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## 'We will make this a circus'

Radical activist Randall Terry brings his controversial pro-life 'battle' tactics to Notre Dame campus

By AARON STEINER  
News Writer

Randall Terry once arranged to have a dead fetus sent to Bill Clinton at the 1992 Democratic National Convention.

This long-time pro-life activist is no stranger to controversy. His life — as an evangelical Christian, later a converted Catholic, once a Republican political candidate and foremost a warrior in the fight against abortion — has been filled with similar appalling actions.

Terry likes to boast that he's been arrested 40 times, spent a year of his life in jail and had cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. He even states that he has

created "the largest civil disobedience movement in America."

Now, he's come to Notre Dame. The decision to invite President Barack Obama to give the 2009 Commencement address at Notre Dame and receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree has attracted the attention of pro-lifers around the country and world. Calling the situation a "travesty," pro-life leaders have denounced the University and its president, Fr. John Jenkins.

Terry said he first heard the news after a trip to Rome last month.

"When I was in Rome [...] I kept walking around, praying, and saying to people that were

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Randall Terry attends the Right to Life prayer rally that took place on Palm Sunday in front of the Main Building.

## SMC class quota per hall ignites controversy

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY  
Saint Mary's Editor

Room selection quotas that were put in place more than two years ago to help diversify the residence halls at Saint Mary's College have caused some unrest between students and the Department of Residence Life and Community Standards, especially in the rising junior class.

Slandah Dieujuste, director of the Department, said these quotas were put in place to mix the class years and provide guidance to incoming classes.

"There is tremendous benefit to [the quotas] as [they allow] our students to engage in strong mentoring relationships," Dieujuste said.

The quotas limit the number of students from each of the classes who can live in each residence hall. For example, there can only be 95 juniors in LeMans Hall. Once this quota is filled, the remaining juniors who need to select rooms must choose one of the other dormitories for their residence.

Some upperclassmen, however, feel the quotas are unfair because they force students to live in halls that normally wouldn't be their first choice.

Rising junior Erin Malone expressed her feeling on the new room requirements.

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## SMC increases admissions, creates Web site

College sees increase in financial aid applications due to economic recession

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY  
Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's Office of Admissions has noticed trend changes from previous applicant pools because of the current recession; however, the 1,126 women accepted for the College's class of 2013 marks an increase of about 30 students from last year's figure, Dan Meyer, vice president of enrollment, said.

"This has been a more challenging recruitment campaign this year due

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### Saint Mary's Admissions

Applicants = 1337

Accepted = 1126

Budget Target = 460 First Years

\*Diversity = ↑2.1% from 2008

\*Number out of all applicants not out of accepted students

BLAIR CHEMIDLIN | Observer Graphic

Admissions site to help foster community before incoming class arrives

By MEGAN LONEY  
News Writer

Saint Mary's College has joined the growing number of colleges and universities who have adapted to the age of the Internet by launching a networking site for accepted students this year.

The designing and building of the "I'm Saint Mary's" Web site began in June of 2008, and the site went live Dec. 15 at the same time as the first round of acceptance letters were sent

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## Off-campus transition fair to take place tonight

By MOLY MADDEN  
News Writer

For students who are interested in moving off campus, student government is hosting the Off-Campus Transition Fair tonight from 8 to 9 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

"The fair is really going to be a one-stop shop for students thinking about living off-campus," senate community relations chair Gus Gari said. "All the major landlords from the area will be present."

Gari, who has been overseeing the event along with the off-campus council chair Billy Lyman, said while in the past there had been a seminar that spoke about living off campus, the fair is

a totally new idea.

"The seminar about moving off campus has been going on for a few years, but all it involved was a few speakers and attendance was low. We didn't feel like it was as successful as it could be," Gari said. "With the fair we geared it heavily to students and got them excited about the event."

Gari said the fair is meant to appeal to students from all years at the University.

"The freshmen who are thinking about moving in the future can talk to all the landlords and just see what's out there and know their options," Gari said. "We also have a lot of features for sophomores and juniors who are getting ready to sign leases."

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## Survey gauges student needs

On-campus alcohol policy, 'Spirit of Inclusion' were top issues

By ANN-MARIE WOODS  
News Writer

In the spring student survey conducted by student government, Notre Dame undergraduate students were given the opportunity to evaluate the current status of critical campus issues, as well as voice concerns and opinions about what they want student government to pursue in the 2009-2010 academic year.

"The student survey is a great way for student government to ensure we're focusing our efforts in the right direction," former student body president Bob Reish said. "It doesn't completely guide the actions of our office, but it does make sure we are continually aware of the opinions of the student

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT SURVEY

#### Sexual Assault Policy

46% "somewhat familiar" with policy

15.8% "not familiar at all" with policy

#### Aware of "Spirit of Inclusion" Statement

22.4% aware of statement

40.7% unaware of statement

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INSIDE COLUMN

# Loyal Son awakens

Resurrection will soon be a celebrated topic, so imagine if the statue with outstretched arms on God Quad could see and think. Unfrozen in time and displaced across the world, His perceptions might seem a little skewed — or be uniquely undistorted.

Here's what might pass through His, um, stoned head:

**Robert Singer**

"The scene is strange, and the climate is fierce, as cold as nails. I assume I am far from the West Bank, given the many magnificent temples and the prosperous inhabitants who hail from 'The North Face.' By my best estimate, I am in a thriving Roman capital near the northern border.

*Assistant News Editor*

"The daily parchment tells tales of bitterness between Caesar and the local populace. 'Jenkins' — as Caesar is popularly known here — is in a perpetual struggle to satisfy the demands of various sects. He appears intent on maintaining stable relations with neighboring empires. Whether Caesar is banning unpopular artistic rituals, ignoring the cries of a peculiar minority who protest the visit of an esteemed emperor from a distant land or denying legal rights to an ostracized group of people, his objective is to stave off foreign criticism at any cost.

"Maintaining order within his empire appears to be another of Caesar's goals. Even though many citizens live in primitive, cramped living quarters, Caesar lavishly outfits his Praetorian Guard who wear emblems of 'NDSP' with self-propelled chariots, allowing these elite soldiers to make up in mechanized mobility what they lack in personal fitness.

"I believe a society is judged on how it treats the least of its people. This city, however, seems to have a confusing policy toward its most unfortunate inhabitants. Lepers appear to be quarantined in two separate prisons, one known as 'Bond Hall' and the other as 'Fitzpatrick.' Although they must serve a painful duration of servitude by drafting scrolls and making mind-numbing measurements, they are eventually cured of their affliction and go on to hold respected positions in society.

"In the temple — crowned with a summit of gold and peaked with a hallowed statue — a number of scribes busy themselves with money changing activities. The site bears vague resemblance to Herod's Temple in Jerusalem; high priests who dwell in a chamber called the 'Office of Financial Aid' appear to extort profits from those who seek to enter the synagogues for moral instruction.

"Curiously, in chambers designated for the rabbis to share their wisdom, a miniature replica of a torture device adorns the walls. I must attribute this custom to the populace's fascination with violence. Indeed, it is the only possible explanation for the overwhelming popularity of the two intersecting planks of wood designed to accommodate an impaled human body.

"Most important to the inhabitants is a spectacle of violence put on weekly for one season of the year in the public forum. It must be the gladiatorial games I have heard about from Rome. The most imposing inhabitants put on shiny pieces of armor and crash into one another at high speeds."

Unfortunately, statues are silent spectators in reality. But what better way is there to commemorate a resurrection than to celebrate some of the qualities — thought and observation — that made Him fully human?

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

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## QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT UPCOMING MOVIE ARE YOU MOST EXCITED TO SEE?



**Robin Sturgeon**  
freshman  
Lewis

"Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince!"



**Stephanie House**  
freshman  
Welsh Family

"Knowing." I think it's already out but I haven't seen it."



**Waylon Chen**  
freshman  
Stanford

"Fast and Furious."



**Jenelle Huddleston**  
sophomore  
Lewis

"Where The Wild Things Are' ... That's where you'll find me."



**Karla Garcia-Huerta**  
sophomore  
P. E.

"Harry Potter!"

Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail [observer.questions@gmail.com](mailto:observer.questions@gmail.com)



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**Sarah Lyons, Anthony McHugh and Teresa McGeeney, members of Campus Labor Action Project, show support for workers and unions outside of building services Tuesday.**

## IN BRIEF

**Campus Ministry,** International Student Services and Walsh Hall will host **Holy Week Christian Taize Prayer** today from 10 to 10:30 p.m. in the Walsh Hall Chapel. The multilingual prayer service will be both communal and contemplative, with song, reading of scripture, intercession and silence. The prayer service is open to the public.

CEO of DHR International, **David Hoffman**, will be coming to campus to give a lecture at 7 p.m. in Room 102 of DeBartolo Hall today. DHR International is an executive search firm that specializes in searching for top executives for corporations.

A lecture entitled "Sex, Death, and a Question of Humor in Moche Art of Ancient Peru" will be held in the Annenberg Auditorium in the Snite Museum of Art from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday. It is open to the public.

**Silent Hours of Prayer** will be held from noon to 3 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart Friday. The public is welcome.

There will be **Stations of the Cross** in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 7:15 p.m. Friday. It is open to the public.

**Easter Sunday Mass** will be at noon on Sunday in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. The Notre Dame Folk Choir will provide the music. The public is welcome.

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

## OFFBEAT

### Woman calls 911 over lack of shrimp in fried rice

**HALTOM CITY, Texas** — A woman called 911 to report she didn't get as much shrimp as she wanted in her fried rice at a Fort Worth-area restaurant. Police on Tuesday released the taped emergency call, in which the customer is heard telling the dispatcher, "to get a police officer up here, what has to happen?" The customer also said: "He didn't even put extra shrimp in there."

The upset customer was gone when an officer arrived Monday afternoon.

Restaurant workers said the woman had been denied a refund after leaving with her order, then returning to complain.

Cook June Lee said there was nothing wrong with the meal, and that "some customers are happy. Some are not."

### Man hoping to be deported streaks down street

**PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla.** — Authorities said a man claiming to be an illegal immigrant ran naked down a Port St. Lucie street so that he would be sent back to Mexico. Police responded to a home

Saturday night where they found a 28-year-old man arguing with his boyfriend.

Officers told the man, who appeared to be intoxicated, that he should go home for the evening, but he told them he wanted to go to jail because he was an illegal immigrant and wanted to go back to Mexico. He then said he planned to punch an officer to get arrested but decided not to after police told him it wouldn't be in his best interest to do that.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

## LOCAL WEATHER

	TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
HIGH	50	40	57	48	53	60
LOW	33	33	38	32	38	45

Atlanta 61 / 30 Boston 56 / 37 Chicago 54 / 31 Denver 58 / 35 Houston 76 / 51 Los Angeles 64 / 53 Minneapolis 52 / 31 New York 51 / 37 Philadelphia 54 / 34 Phoenix 75 / 61 Seattle 53 / 43 St. Louis 64 / 38 Tampa 71 / 45 Washington 56 / 35



## COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

# Members oppose holding forum to discuss Obama controversy

By JOHN TIERNEY  
Assistant News Editor

Newly instated student body president Grant Schmidt addressed the ongoing controversy over the selection of President Obama as Commencement speaker at his first Council of Representatives (COR) meeting as president Tuesday.

Schmidt reiterated the statement released by former student body president Bob Reish, who asked that the focus "be redirected back to the class of 2009."

Reish's statement was largely descriptive in nature.

"Our statement is that there's a general excitement on campus," Schmidt said. "There are also many students that disagree on the decision based on some of the policies of President Obama and how they disagree with the Catholic Church."

Schmidt asked COR members for their opinions on a proposed student government-sponsored forum addressing the Obama selection. He cited numerous

requests from students as a reason for interest in a forum.

COR members were largely opposed to holding a forum on the issue of Obama's Commencement address.

Among those in opposition was class of 2009 president Joey Brown.

"If you're honest to [Reish and Schmidt's statement], I don't think you would host a forum," Brown said.

Director of external affairs Gus Gari expressed concern that a forum would remove the focus from the graduates.

"I would hate for it to take away from graduation," Gari said.

He suggested possibly holding a forum that is

"divorced from the issue of President Obama coming," he said. "If we do have a forum, we need to be very careful about the time."

Gari suggested holding the forum in the fall, at which point it would address more general issues of Notre Dame's Catholic identity.

Student body vice president

Cynthia Weber disputed the idea of holding a forum in the fall because it would not capitalize on the current surge of student interest in the University's Catholic identity.

"There won't be as wide a representation" in the fall, Weber said.

Weber suggested that holding a forum now would help the firestorm surrounding Commencement die down.

"I would argue that giving a formal outlet [to the discussion] would actually calm things down in the long run," Weber said.

Gari said he could not see a forum calming anything down, at least not if it were held before Commencement.

"I don't see civil dialogue where we're getting something fruitful and productive out of this," Gari said.

Brown said he and the class of 2009 council have largely stayed out of the controversy.

"We're really wary about releasing statements," Brown said.

However, Brown said that he and the other three class of 2009 officers sent a letter to University President Fr. John Jenkins endorsing the decision. The letter of endorsement expresses "a personal belief," Brown said.

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# Farmer's market comes to campus

By LAURA McCRYSTAL  
News Writer

Seven vendors from the South Bend Farmer's Market came to campus for the first time Tuesday afternoon to sell a variety of goods, which included produce, baked goods and handmade jewelry.

"We want students to understand the Farmer's Market exists, and then we want students to support local businesses and be aware of sustainable food," student government social concerns committee chair Rachel Roseberry said.

Roseberry organized the event along with outgoing senators and social concerns committee members Julie Zorb and Kaitlyn Maloney.

The South Bend Farmer's Market is open year round in downtown South Bend, and offers goods from more than 50 vendors, Maloney said.

"It's really well known in the community," Roseberry said.

Zorb said last fall they had the idea to bring the market to campus, and it finally became a reality this spring.

"The three of us went to the market practically every Saturday this semester, just talking to vendors," Maloney said.

In choosing which vendors to invite to campus, Zorb said they sought out a wide variety in order to show students that the Farmer's Market offers much more than just vegetables.

Among the vendors present was Sweet Street, which offered students free samples of cheese and caramel popcorn as well as homemade peanut and almond butter.

Sparrow Farm sold handcrafted cards and bookmarks. Another booth, One of a Kind Jewelry, sold handmade bracelets, necklaces, earrings and rings.

Roseberry said the vendors were happy to educate students about the South Bend Farmer's Market.

"I think they're definitely excited to see a younger crowd too," Maloney said.

Roseberry said she was excited with the number of students who visited the market in Lafortune Student Center Tuesday afternoon.

"We've had a steady stream of people come through," she said. "We've had a great response so far."

The social concerns committee also hopes to hold future events with the South Bend Farmer's Market.

Roseberry said she plans to organize a larger market on campus next fall, when there will be more local produce available.

"Eventually we're hoping to have shuttles going from campus to the Farmer's Market," Zorb said.

The three organizers said they hope that these efforts will encourage more students to visit the market in downtown South Bend.

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NOW LEASING



## Terry

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with me, "The pro-life movement has been overrun, and we have no fall back line," Terry said.

Using a military analogy to describe his mission to end abortion, he explained that the movement needed a place where troops could regroup, where he could bring new troops into battle and "defend and launch offensives into the enemy camp."

"And when we came back, and I followed the news of President Obama's invitation, a light went off in my head, that, that's the line," Terry said. It was the "golden opportunity," as he called it, for the pro-life movement.

So Terry packed his bags and moved himself and his family — his wife and four children — to South Bend just a week after the announcement was made. And he's staying, he said, until the Commencement ceremonies on May 17.

"We've already got over 20 local volunteers, within the next 10 days we will have six full time staff on the ground. Many local alumni are bending over backward to help us because of their outrage at this," Terry said.

He and his supporters have wasted little time in organizing their response. Saturday, Terry held a press conference at the University's southern gates, and Tuesday he and some 20 volunteers protested at the Chicago offices of two University Board of Trustees members.

The protesters visited the offices of Chair of the Board of Trustees Richard Notebaert and

University Trustee Arthur Velasquez.

"We held up large signs [...] and we had a gentleman with an Obama mask. We put red paint on the cheeks of the Obama mask and all over his hands and then streaked the sign he was holding with finger blood, like a crime scene, and the sign he was holding said, 'Thank you for confirming me,'" Terry told The Observer Tuesday on his way back from Chicago.

Terry said that he arranged to have a personal meeting with Velasquez.

"We asked him to use whatever influence he could, to cancel Obama's invitation and to have Rev. Jenkins dismissed as the president," Terry said. He also said he asked Velasquez to pray to Mary.

"He would take a very strong message back to the Board," Terry said. A representative from Velasquez's office could not confirm the meeting late Tuesday.

Terry said, and a representative from the Chicago office of Notebaert confirmed, that Notebaert was not in that office Tuesday.

Now, Terry is shifting his focus to protests on Thursday and Friday. Thursday, his supporters will gather at the corner of Angela and Notre Dame Aves. at the University's gates to protest. Terry said he has coordinated protests around the country — including ones in Texas, California and Washington D.C. — on Friday.

Terry said this is only the beginning of protests from now until Commencement exercises in a few weeks.

"There's a whole plethora of things, some of which I'm not at

liberty to discuss yet," he said.

One thing is certain, however. Terry will not shy away from employing whatever tactics he deems necessary to get his objectives — a cancellation of the Obama visit and the removal of Jenkins — accomplished.

"We will make this a circus," he said.

### From salesman to activist

Terry said he hasn't always been involved in civil disobedience, nor has he always had such a strong faith.

"My upbringing was nominal Christian, practicing pagan," he said. But in 1976 he had "a very strong conversion experience" and became an evangelical Christian.

He attended Elim Bible Institute in Lima, N.Y., graduating with his diploma in 1981 "with academic honors as the president of the student body," he said.

In the years following, he was a practicing Christian and worked selling real estate and cars, he said.

Then, in 1983, he had an experience that led him to a full time job as a pro-life activist.

"I had a vision in a prayer meeting. I saw a scroll, it was a very unusual experience," he said. "We were praying, about ending abortion, and I saw a scroll rolling down with instructions on what I was to do, to fight against child killing."

"It had to do with protests, and sit-ins, it was a very new for me, I had no background in that type of activity, and I didn't share the vision with anybody, I just didn't say anything, I was so shocked,"

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## Marketing lecture pairs with environmental bus

By SARAH MERVOSH  
News Writer

Emanuel Rosen, the author of "The Anatomy of Buzz Revisited," will give a lecture tonight about word of mouth marketing. Rosen is touring with the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS), who will be on campus giving tours of an environmentally friendly bus, Lauren Guzman, co-president of Marketing club, said.

The lecture, which is hosted by the Marketing Club, will take place in Room 122 in the Mendoza College of Business at 6 p.m.

Guzman said Rosen's message is "pertinent, especially today" because of the economy.

"Marketing and advertising is one of the first things that's cut with a business," Guzman said. "It's putting a lot of people out of jobs."

Rosen will speak about "practical ways to implement your own word of mouth marketing strategies," Guzman said. "To make you more marketable, more valuable ... because it doesn't cost the company anything."

"The Anatomy of Buzz Revisited" examines case studies of companies and organizations that do a good job of word of mouth marketing. Rosen discusses NOLS in the book, Christi van Eyken, NOLS Public Relations and Marketing intern, said.

"Emanuel wrote this book talk-

ing about the different thing that NOLS does to get the word out. We're an organization that doesn't advertise at all," van Eyken said.

Van Eyken said in his lectures, Rosen talks about how NOLS uses the bus to help generate word of mouth marketing.

Rosen teamed up with NOLS because he thought it would be a good idea to travel with an organization that he talks about in his book, van Eyken said.

The bus, which will be located between DeBartolo and Mendoza from 12 to 6 p.m. today, runs on recycled vegetable oil, Guzman said.

"All of the electronics on board that aren't directly connected to driving safety," such as the lights in the cabin of the bus, the radio and the refrigerator on board, are powered by solar panels on the roof of the bus, van Eyken said.

There is also a climbing wall attached to the side of the bus, which students are "welcome to come play around on," van Eyken said.

She said NOLS offers college credit, which Notre Dame has accepted in the past.

"We're looking for curious people, for people who are interesting in developing leadership in a different way than you have the opportunity to do so on a college campus," van Eyken said.

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## VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVE LUNCH HOUR

VPI Lunch Hour seeks to connect Notre Dame students with local organizations that work to end violence and promote the healing of survivors. Come learn more about the missions of these organizations from their leaders and how you can help!

### Free Lunch 12:30pm-1:30pm

### April 14

Ellen Kyes, Associate Director  
Prevention Programs and Take Ten Project Coordinator  
Robinson Community Learning Center

### April 16

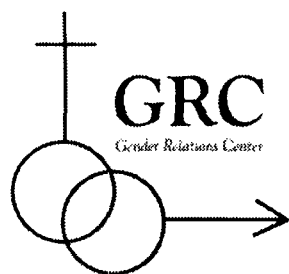
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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Somalian pirates back in action

NAIROBI, Kenya — For the first three months of 2009, Somalia's notorious pirates faded from the headlines as a massive international naval force moved in, and many observers thought the pirates were running scared.

Using a new strategy, they are operating further away from warships patrolling the Gulf of Aden.

That has allowed the sea bandits to come back in force — seizing five vessels over a 72-hour period.

### Castro meets with U.S. lawmakers

HAVANA — Signaling its willingness to discuss improved relations with the Obama administration, Cuba on Tuesday granted three visiting members of the Congressional Black Caucus the first meeting with Fidel Castro by American officials since he fell ill in 2006.

The surprise meeting came a day after the full delegation of six representatives spent more than four hours talking privately with Cuban President Raul Castro, his first encounter with U.S. officials since formally replacing his brother as head of state nearly 14 months ago.

President Barack Obama has ordered an assessment of U.S. policy toward the communist nation and some members of Congress are pushing to lift a ban on Americans visiting the island.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### 911 operator fails to inform police

PITTSBURGH — Three police officers killed while answering a call about a woman fighting with her son didn't know the man had weapons, but a 911 operator did. She just didn't tell anyone.

The operator, who was hired in November, should have asked for more information and didn't relay even the basic information she had to police dispatchers, the official in charge of county dispatchers said Tuesday. She is now on paid administrative leave and is receiving counseling because supervisors are concerned about her well-being.

The three officers killed Saturday morning will lie in state at the City-County Building on Wednesday, and all three will be honored at a memorial service Thursday.

### Flight student steals plane

ST. LOUIS — Federal prosecutors have charged a Canadian flight student with piloting a stolen plane into the U.S. in what they say was a suicide attempt.

Thirty-one-year-old Adam Dylan Leon was charged Tuesday with transportation of stolen property and illegal entry.

According to the federal complaint, Leon said he flew the plane into the U.S. expecting to be shot down by military aircraft. The complaint says Leon told authorities he recently was being treated by a psychiatrist.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Bill passes for abortion doctors

INDIANAPOLIS — A House committee approved a bill Tuesday to require any doctor who performs an abortion in Indiana to have admitting privileges at a hospital either in the county where the abortion is to be performed or in a neighboring county.

The House Public Policy Committee passed the bill 8-4 and sent it to the full, Democrat-led House. The bill already has cleared the Republican-ruled Senate.

Supporters say the proposal would provide better care to patients who might experience problems after abortions.

## IRAQ

# Obama pays Iraq unexpected visit

*President addresses troops and Iraqi officials about end of U.S. combat role in conflict*

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Flying unannounced into a still-dangerous war zone, President Barack Obama told U.S. troops and Iraqi officials alike Tuesday it is time to phase out America's combat role in a conflict he opposed as a candidate and has vowed to end as commander in chief.

Iraqis "need to take responsibility for their own country," Obama told hundreds of cheering soldiers gathered in an ornate, marble palace near Saddam Hussein's former seat of power.

"You have given Iraq the opportunity to stand on its own as a democratic country. That is an extraordinary achievement," he told the troops, saluting their efforts during six years of American fighting and losses.

Just hours before he arrived, a deadly car bomb exploded in Baghdad, underscoring the continuing peril despite a recent decline in violence. But the mood was festive as Obama spoke to some 600 troops, quickly gathered for his visit.

Obama met with top U.S. commanders as well as senior Iraqi leaders on a visit of a little more than four hours that was confined to Camp Victory, the largest U.S. military base in a war that began in 2003 and has cost the lives of 4,265 members of the U.S. military. Many thousands more Iraqis have perished.

A helicopter flight to the heavily fortified Green Zone a few miles distant was scrapped, but White House aides attributed the change in travel plans to poor weather rather than security concerns.

After a session with Prime Minister Nouri al-



President Obama greets welcoming military personnel at Camp Victory in Baghdad, Iraq Tuesday. He also met with Iraqi leaders during his short, four hour visit.

Maliki, Obama said he had "strongly encouraged" Iraqis to take political steps that would unite political factions, including integrating minority Sunnis into the government and security forces.

Al-Maliki told reporters, "We assured the president that all the progress that has been made in the security area will continue."

American commanders told the president the country is experiencing a relatively low level of violence, although the car bomb explosion in a Shiite neighborhood of Baghdad was evidence of a recent resurgence. Obama flew from Turkey, the next-to-last stop on an eight-day

itinerary that also included Britain, France, Germany and the Czech Republic.

Aides said Obama chose to visit Iraq rather than Afghanistan, where U.S. troops are also in combat, in part because it was close to Turkey and in part because of upcoming Iraqi elections.

In his remarks to the troops, Obama made no mention of the Afghanistan conflict — where he has decided to commit 21,000 additional troops — and it was not known whether it came up in his meeting with Gen. Ray Odierno, the top U.S. commander, and other officers.

Obama announced plans in February to withdraw

U.S. troops from Iraq on a 19-month timetable, although a force as large as 50,000 could remain at the end of that period to provide counterterrorism duties.

He said that for the next year and a half, the United States will be a "stalwart partner" to the Iraqis. And yet, he said, "they have got to make political accommodations. They're going to have to decide that they want to resolve their differences through constitutional means and legal means. They are going to have to focus on providing government services that encourage confidence among their citizens."

# Vermont legislature legalizes gay marriage

Associated Press

MONTPELIER, Vt. — Vermont, the state that invented civil unions, on Tuesday became a pioneer once again as the first state to legalize gay marriage through a legislature's vote.

The House barely achieved the votes necessary to override Gov. Jim Douglas' veto of a bill that will allow gays and lesbians to marry beginning Sept. 1. Four states now have same-sex marriage laws and other states soon could follow suit.

Bills to allow same-sex marriage are currently before lawmakers in New Hampshire, Maine, New York and New Jersey. The three other states that currently allow same-sex marriage — Connecticut, Massachusetts

and Iowa — each moved to do so through the courts, not legislatures.

"For a popularly-elected legislature to make this decision is a much more democratic process" because lawmakers have to answer to the voters every other November, said Eric Davis, a retired Middlebury College political science professor.

While legislatures debate some of the same principles, the process may become much more personal. In Vermont, some of the most gripping debate came when gay and lesbian lawmakers took to the House floor last Thursday and told their own personal love stories.

Getting gay marriage approved in a political, rather than purely legal, forum is a big step, said Boston University law professor Linda

McLain, an expert on family law and policy.

She added that using the civil rights language of equality — the measure in Vermont was dubbed the marriage equality bill — could help make gay marriage more acceptable elsewhere.

Opponents said they, too, believe activists will be emboldened in other states. The action comes just days after the Iowa Supreme court ruled that not permitting gay marriage there was unconstitutional.

The Defense of Marriage Act, signed into law by President Bill Clinton in 1996, defines marriage as a legal union between a man and a woman, and provides that states need not recognize the marriage of a same sex couple from another state.



## Admission

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to economic factors. Let's face it, home values are down, people are losing their jobs or concerned about lost wages, and savings are nearly 40 percent less than this time last year," Meyer said.

There are three areas where the economy has affected the admissions process this year, he said.

Application numbers are close to last year's totals, however there has been a greater number of students applying for financial aid, the applicants applying for aid have a greater amount of need than before and students are taking longer to make their final decision.

"We have had more students apply, visit campus, participate in Meet Me at the Avenue and even apply for financial aid but, many families this year are fully evaluating all of their financial options before making a final decision," Meyer said.

The economy has made families be much more conscious of the college their daughters will be attending.

"This has caused us to spend more time on the phone working with families concerning financial issues," Meyer said.

Meyer said although numbers are not final, they still are hoping to make their budget target of 460 first year students in the 2009-10 school year.

What admissions is looking for in students has not changed. Meyer did say the selection process focuses on academics, but also takes many other factors into account.

"Clearly we have an academic focus in mind but we also seek to find that applicant who will use her God-given talents to make positive contributions that will enrich Saint Mary's community of scholars," Meyer said.

These desired applicants include students who are interested in extracurricular activities such as athletics, campus ministry, fine arts and community service, he said.

"We want well-rounded students who also happen to be great students academically," Meyer said.

In spite of economic factors, on the surface, the incoming class will not be different from past classes in terms of their GPAs and SAT or ACT scores, he said.

The largest distinction between the class of 2013 and classes that have preceded can be seen in the College's adjustments to the financial aid policy in order "to reflect the higher need levels we have encountered with this group of students," Meyer said.

The applicant group this year has shown increased numbers in diversity as opposed to previous years.

Of the current total of 1,337 applicants, 15.6 percent are from diverse backgrounds, compared to 13.5 percent from last year and 12.5 percent from two years ago, Meyer said.

Although figures aren't final there is a good chance the Saint Mary's class of 2013 will show an increase in diverse students from the class of 2012.

"So, with continued success over the next five weeks, the class of 2013 will be one of the most diverse in College history," Meyer said.

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## Halls

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"I understand that Residence Life believes it is only fair for all graduating classes to live in the same dorm, but I in no way agree with them," Malone said. "At many other colleges, there are specific dorms for freshmen where they can be surrounded by many people who are in similar situations as they are."

Dieujuste said she believes students only find problems with quotas when they are directly affected by them. She said students don't realize they are able to live in LeMans and Holy Cross, the "favored" halls, as underclassmen because the quotas leave space in the residences for them to live there.

"We sometimes hear from upperclasswomen who have lived in LeMans or Holy Cross during the first or second year should there not be any available spaces in those halls for the incoming first years because they would like to stay in those buildings," she

said. "They forget to take into account that they are in those buildings because of the quota system."

Some rising juniors are frustrated with the quotas because of the new requirement that students must live on campus for six semesters before being allowed to move off campus without a special circumstance reviewed by Residence Life. They believe that the quotas should be changed to accommodate the larger numbers of juniors who will be remaining on campus in the next school year.

"Since [living off campus] was taken away from us, we should be compensated in other ways. One of those ways might be to eradicate quotas for juniors by giving them an unlimited amount of spaces in any dorm," Malone said.

Many juniors have requested to live off campus. However, the College believes there are many benefits to remaining on campus.

"The residency requirement was instituted by the President's Cabinet a couple of years ago because we believe that living on campus

gives students the opportunity to be fully engaged in academic and student life," Dieujuste said. "Research has shown that students who live on campus are much more likely to form strong ties with their college and each other."

Emily Gregerson, a rising junior, said she would have seriously considered off-campus housing because of the convenience it would offer her.

"As a nursing major, I will be spending much of my time next year at the hospitals and would have seriously considered living off campus had it been an option," Gregerson said.

Residence Life respects the

opinions of the students and are looking into the issue of quotas, Dieujuste said. She said she recognizes how stressful the room selection process can be for underclassmen.

"While we try to take the needs of individual students into account, we have the hard task of balancing the needs of over 1200 residents. We have gotten some wonderful feedback about room selection and we'll continue to work to improve the process for our students," Dieujuste said.

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Stocks			
<b>Dow Jones</b>	<b>7,789.56</b>	-186.29	
Up:	Same:	Down:	Composite Volume:
1,142	109	2,569	1,992,268,171
<b>AMEX</b>	<b>1,377.73</b>	-9.80	
<b>NASDAQ</b>	<b>1,561.61</b>	-45.10	
<b>NYSE</b>	<b>5,120.67</b>	-128.81	
<b>S&amp;P 500</b>	<b>815.55</b>	-19.93	
<b>NIKKEI (Tokyo)</b>	<b>8,857.93</b>	0.00	
<b>FTSE 100 (London)</b>	<b>3,930.52</b>	-63.02	
Treasuries			
10-YEAR NOTE	-1.02	-0.03	2.909
13-WEEK BILL	+2.70	+0.005	0.190
30-YEAR BOND	-0.77	-0.029	3.729
5-YEAR NOTE	-2.00	-0.038	1.861
Commodities			
LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	-1.90		49.15
GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)	+10.50		883.30
PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.)	-0.13		89.68
Exchange Rates			
YEN			100.5300
EURO			1.3251
CANADIAN DOLLAR			1.2380
BRITISH POUND			1.4722

## IN BRIEF

### Goldman CEO: Pay needs overhaul

WASHINGTON — Goldman Sachs CEO Lloyd Blankfein says Wall Street compensation needs to be overhauled and hedge funds subjected to government oversight to reduce the kind of excessive risk taking that stoked the global financial crisis.

Lloyd Blankfein, who received compensation valued at nearly \$43 million last year, said Tuesday that lessons from the crisis include the need to "apply basic standards to how we compensate people in our industry."

The chief executive of the Wall Street powerhouse suggested a handful of guidelines, including having an individual's performance evaluated over time to avoid excessive risk taking and only paying junior employees mostly in cash. The percentage of pay awarded as company stock should increase significantly along with an employee's total compensation, he added.

Public anger over the financial distress and taxpayer bailout of the banking industry spilled over to Blankfein's appearance as protesters confronted him at a gathering of the Council of Institutional Investors. The organization represents public, corporate and union pension funds.

### Ellis Park shortens 2009 meet

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Ellis Park owner Ron Geary is hoping a little racing is better than none.

The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission approved Geary's plan to slash in half the number of 2009 racing dates at the western Kentucky track, a move Geary said was necessary to keep the venerable track alive for at least one more summer.

Geary hopes by dropping the number of racing dates from 48 to 23, he'll help Ellis Park remain financially competitive with tracks in neighboring states that use revenue from alternative gaming like slot machines to pump up purse prices.

The track would race four days a week from July 11 to July 26, then two days a week from July 27 to Sept. 6.

## Storage unit auctions on the rise

*Bidders snap up possessions left behind when owners stop rent payments*

Associated Press

CHICAGO — The auctioneer slides the steel door up, and a small crowd at the storage facility steps forward for a peek.

They are here to bid on possessions left behind when the people who rented the storage unit on Chicago's West Side stopped paying for it.

The bidders are barred from entering the garage or touching its contents, so they stand on their toes to see as much as possible. Some shine flashlights inside, hoping to catch sight of a plasma TV or maybe a leather recliner.

The scene is evidence of an unusual opportunity: Business is booming in the sale of belongings that owners can no longer afford to keep at the nation's storage units. For buyers, it's a grab bag that can yield either junk or the luxuries of a life left behind.

The troubled economy is reflected in the items being sold — trendy clothes, high-end appliances and other indicators that the owners were, until recently, well off.

"What we are selling now is indicative of higher-income people than what we were selling in the past," said Rich Schur of Schur Success Auction Services in Colorado Springs, Colo. "Clearly these are people who fell on hard times."

There's no specific tally of storage unit auctions, but auctioneers say they are busier than ever. Schur's company has seen the number of units it auctions jump from 950 in 2007 to 1,250 in 2008. In January alone, the company auctioned 250 units.

"We are hearing from auctioneers across the country that they are seeing an increase," said Chris Longley, spokesman for the National Auctioneers Association.

Wayne Blair said his



Auctioneer Brook Snyder auctions off unclaimed property from storage units as more and more people fail to keep up with their monthly payments.

Michigan-based business has seen its number of auctions rise about 10 percent in the last year. These days, he's selling off the belongings of customers who have rented storage space for years and until recently paid their bills.

Neither auctioneers nor bidders are allowed to inspect the items until after the sale, meaning they are often bidding blindly.

The reason is simple: Right up until the auctioneer says "Sold," the items are legally the property of those renting the space.

And with tougher times, it's easier to sell the notion that these units could contain what amounts to buried treasure.

"There's a flock of new

bidders that show up that heard from a cousin, saw on the Internet that you're going to make a million dollars at auctions," Schur said.

In truth, the dusty boxes often turn up little of value: old clothes, worn-out furniture, worthless documents. Auctioneers continually warn buyers to bid only on what they can see.

Brook Snyder, the auctioneer at the West Side storage unit, said his auctions are typically over in a matter of moments, with crowds ranging from 20 or 30 people to as many as 80.

On one day, a bidder paid \$10 for a unit containing a small, old television, a lamp and a few boxes. Another buyer paid \$225

for a unit in which bidders could see a washing machine, dryer and lawn mower.

Once in a while, someone gets especially lucky.

"There was one where they bought the unit and moved the boxes and found a Harley," Schur said.

"For \$400 or \$500, they got a unit with a \$10,000 motorcycle in it."

Most bidders avoid looking at their purchases until they are alone. Instead, they slap their own lock on the unit and return later, sometimes covering items so nobody sees what they are carting off.

Many buyers are concerned about being seen with something the previous owner still might want.

## Defense budget plan meets resistance

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Robert Gates' proposed budget, which axes some multibillion-dollar weapons projects, is encountering strong resistance from lawmakers whose districts stand to lose thousands of jobs during a recession.

Members of Congress and military analysts said Tuesday that the potential loss of jobs is by far the biggest hurdle the administration's plan must overcome as it looks to build support on Capitol Hill, and they expect some concessions.

Part of Gates' proposed \$534 billion defense budget represents a shift away from outdated weapon systems conceived in the Cold War to futuristic programs aimed at unconven-

al foes. Analysts say his challenge is to build support in Congress on those larger issues instead of the parochial interests of individual lawmakers.

Defense consultant Jim McAleese said Gates will face stiff resistance on his plan to end production of Lockheed Martin Corp.'s F-22 fighter jets over lawmakers' fears that union jobs with salaries between \$60,000 and \$80,000 will be lost.

"That will be the job fight," said McAleese, who anticipates that Congress will add 16 more of the planes to the approved total of 187 into the war budget expected Thursday. Otherwise, the majority of Gates' recommendations should pass, he added.

Aerospace analyst Richard Aboulafia of the Teal Group agreed,

saying the Pentagon's move to add four more of the radar-evading supersonic planes before killing the F-22 program gives Congress extra time to find more cash for it.

Recommendations Gates made Monday to cut weapons projects like Lockheed's F-22 jet and Boeing Co.'s military transport C-17 plane may mean a substantial loss of U.S. jobs at a time when the unemployment rate stands at 8.5 percent, highest in a quarter-century.

Recognizing the sensitivity of more layoffs during an economic downturn, Gates said he hoped lawmakers would resist temptations to save outdated systems simply to keep jobs in their home districts. But some members of Congress said they will work to overturn Gates' proposals.



# Terry

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Terry said.

But after several months of prayer and study of scriptures, Terry said his mission to fight abortion became clear. He founded Operation Rescue, a pro-life organization, in 1984.

"And so I started standing in front of abortion mills by myself. I began to recruit people, I began to organize big events, and it grew and grew and grew," Terry said.

He soon became notorious for his large-scale events and extreme tactics. According to some reports, his protests in front of abortion clinics included him and hundreds of supporters screaming at pregnant women, tossing their bodies against car doors to prevent them from getting out, waving crucifixes and screaming "Mommy, Mommy" at the women. When Terry sent command, hundreds fell limp and blockaded entrances to the clinics.

Terry said that Martin Luther King and the civil rights movement has had a strong influence on his work.

"When I started my pro-life work, I realized that the pro-life movement did not have the impact that it needed if it was going to end child killing," he said. So he turned to a successful movement in America's past for inspiration.

"I watched a TV series called 'Eyes on the Prize,' about Martin Luther King and the civil rights movement. I read the letter from the Birmingham jail, [...] I read Coretta Scott King's biography," he said. "I realized that if we were going to end child killing, we had to take our instructions from playbooks in the past that had been victorious."

Since 1984, Terry has been involved in numerous lawsuits, Supreme Court cases, the Terri Schiavo case — serving as a spokesman for the Schindler family — and the battle over gay marriage legislation in Vermont in 2000. The state Legislature legalized gay marriage Tuesday with a veto override, nine years

after it became the first in the nation to adopt civil unions laws.

Terry said his experience in 2000 in Vermont provides a good corollary to his plans for the Notre Dame situation.

"In 2000, there were groups all over the country that were outraged at what was happening in Vermont," Terry said.

"They raised money on it, they sent press releases, they sent fundraising letters, but none of them sent staff or people on the ground in Vermont, none," he said.

He wasn't one to let the battle be fought from afar.

"I moved there, just like I moved here," he said. He set up operations and found volunteers, and claims that he helped change the bill "so it was not as bad as it would have been."

"The reason I did it was because I knew that what happened in Vermont would affect the nation, affect me. And it's the same thing with South Bend. What happens here will affect the entire nation, will affect the world," he said.

## Bringing the 'battle' to ND

Terry has made clear his plans to use the Notre Dame situation for the benefit of the pro-life movement.

"[There] will be two great benefits, no matter what happens," Terry said.

"Number one is, there will be very few if any Catholic universities that commit this type of treachery in the near future," he said. "Number two is that we will so politically tar President Obama with the blood of the babies that he has condemned to die, that in 2012 he will not be able to seduce the Catholic and the evangelical vote like he was able to in 2008."

Terry was critical of the actions of Notre Dame students condemning the administration's decision, naming the Notre Dame Response coalition in particular.

The Notre Dame Response group has "proven that they are not equal to the task, and [...] unfortunately, they are deluded

and diluted in their response," Terry said.

Terry said that Sunday's prayer rally "was a very nice first step, but fell short of the level of outrage that should be displayed."

Leaders of Notre Dame Response have said they wish to respect the academic setting of the University. Terry said they aren't being strong enough.

"The timidity of the response does not reflect the gravity of the crisis," he said. "When someone is in the open defiance of the laws of God, you openly reprove them."

The "treachery" and "betrayal" associated with the Notre Dame situation brings together much that Terry says he has fought against in the past.

"We've been fighting against treacherous elements of the Catholic Church for years, and this crystallizes the treachery, the betrayal, the cowardice in a way that I haven't seen in years," he said.

That, plus the opportunity to further the pro-life cause, Terry said, has created "a golden opportunity for the pro-life movement to have a focal point



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**Randall Terry holds a protest banner at the prayer rally held Sunday, which protested the choice of Obama as Commencement speaker.**

of activity. Not whining, not cyberspace, not sending e-mails, but genuine culture war activity."

Elections and Supreme Court decisions aside, Terry said this situation "has the potential to rival" the impact of many of his past demonstrations and activities.

Terry described how opportune the Notre Dame and Obama situation is for his cause in this

way:

"You have the most well-known Catholic university in the Western hemisphere inviting the most powerful political proponent of child killing in the Western hemisphere."

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## Web site

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to early decision applicants.

The idea for the Web site was suggested in a discussion regarding ways to increase the number of students who enroll for the fall, or yield of the accepted student population, Assistant Director of Admissions Stephanie Brown said.

"The purpose of 'I'm Saint Mary's' is to give accepted students the opportunity to build their own Saint Mary's community and become part of the existing SMC community before they ever arrive on campus. This, in turn, will help these students to determine if Saint Mary's is truly the best 'fit' for them as they make their final college decision," Brown said.

As of April 7, the Web site's homepage — [iam.saintmarys.edu](http://iam.saintmarys.edu) — stated that 394 students participate as members of the networking site. So far, these students have collectively uploaded 1,672 pictures, posted 11,765 notes and set 91 goals for themselves.

"I think the most popular part of the Web site are the discussion boards. Originally our thought was to have our interns create discussions so the students could participate in the site. However, the accepted students have been the ones to create most of the discussion topics," Brown said.

Discussions include a wide variety of topics, she said.

"They have started discussions on anything from who is definitely coming to Saint Mary's next year, to who is looking for a roommate, what sports they are interested in at the collegiate level and even how to make the adjustment from the California climate to the Northern Indiana climate," Brown said.

There are current Saint Mary's students who are involved with the Web site, as well as administrators. The students' duties include addressing questions students have about the Saint Mary's community and student life. There are four students who write weekly blogs about campus life to give the students a glimpse about daily life at Saint Mary's.

"The Web site is a product of Education Dynamics — formerly known as Goal Quest — that is a company that specializes in enrollment management products for institutions of higher education," Brown said.

Education Dynamics currently lays claim to helping over 1,800 higher education institutions including the University of South Carolina, New York University and Columbus College of Art and Design.

While the Web site is meant to allow students to form a flourishing bond with one another, it is limited to accepted students for the incoming class of 2013.

"The 'I'm Saint Mary's' site is exclusively for accepted students. Once they have arrived on campus in the fall and get settled in to daily college life, they will no longer have access to the site. Each year the site will be limited to the next accepted class," Brown said.

In order to limit the access to the Web site, the admissions department sends the company a weekly updated list of accepted students, along with their first and last names and e-mail addresses which grant students access to the Web site.

Although the date for current accepted students to transition out of the network is not yet determined, those who work with the site are planning ahead to make the transition smooth.

"When that [transition] time comes, we will begin preparing the site for the next accepted class of 2014, and we will be encouraging these students to begin their own SMC social networks on other sites such as Facebook or MySpace in order to keep this established community going strong," Brown said.

It is too early to determine the effect of the Web site on enrollment for next year, Brown said, but the Department of Admissions should have a definite idea in late May to early June.

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## Fair

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Gari says the Ballroom will have booths with the landlords and representatives from every major housing complex in the area, presentations in the alcoves and representatives from Notre Dame Security Police will be on hand to answer any questions.

"We have a presentation that is given by students about moving off campus and off-campus living and we also have a presentation given by a professor from the Law School about signing leases and what your legal rights are," Gari said. "We're aware about students' concerns about crime and safety so that's why we have the police on hand to discuss any of those issues that students might have."

The goal of the fair is to make as much information available to as many students as possible, Gari said.

"What we envisioned was a way to get as many resources out there to students. There's a lot of information available but we were able to put it all in one central location with

the fair," Gari said.

Gari said they received a lot of help from Sarah Rodts and the student outreach committee.

As a whole, Gari says he hopes the fair is helpful and informative for students who have been considering moving off campus and that this fair helps them make the transition a little bit easier.

"I'm really proud of the fact that all the major off-campus housing options will be represented. Not all students are always aware of their options so getting these landlords all in one spot was a critical aspect that we wanted to accomplish," he said.

The fair is also meant to be a means of helping students who were not really contemplating moving off campus realize this is a change they can make with relative ease.

"For those who think that it's not a possibility, we want them to know that they are not alone," Gari said. "Student government is here to help you and we have these great sources of information all in one place."

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## Survey

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body."

A total of 3,609 surveys were received, with 93 percent of those students completing the survey in its entirety, about 100 less than the first survey in the fall of 2008. Former student body president Bob Reish attributes the decrease in surveys to one less e-mail sent out to the student body, but he is optimistic about the turnout.

"Students completed the surveys this semester because they saw the results from last semester," Reish said.

The feedback from the first survey resulted in the DVD club, the Last Lecture series, the addition of printers to every dorm and a reevaluation of the University's sexual assault policy.

For this semester's survey, student government individually examined the results of the survey by class year, gender and location, either on- or off-campus. The results of the survey enabled student government to evaluate the concerns of the student body and assess the disparities in the percentages for these factors, Reish said.

Using both survey questions and free-response sections, student government considered several topics, including on-campus alcohol policies,

University sexual assault policies, sustainability, the University's relationship with the community, off-campus housing and taxi prices. In addition, students raised many other critical issues in free response sections, emphasizing the need for greater involvement of the University administration and student government in addressing these problems, Reish said.

A major topic of concern was the on-campus alcohol policy, specifically the Good Samaritan clause, which allows students to intervene and help their friends who are intoxicated and in need of care, without facing punishment if they are intoxicated themselves.

When asked in the survey "how frequently do you encounter a fellow student who is alone and feeling sick or injured due to alcohol," 33 percent of students participating in the survey answered two times per semester or more, a significant percentage of the student body, Reish said.

"The Residence Life Committee has been researching other universities like Notre Dame with similar policies to see how they deal with the issue," Student Outreach Committee chair Sarah Rodts said. "Saint Mary's has the Good Samaritan policy, but Notre Dame does not."

In addition, as student government works with the administration on the

University's current sexual assault policy as outlined in duLac, an important question in the survey was students' familiarity with the policy itself.

Forty-six percent of students surveyed said they were "somewhat familiar" with the policy while 15.8 percent said they were "not familiar at all."

Recognizing that less than half of students expressed they were somewhat familiar with the University's policy, Rodts said this is still not where the student body needs to be.

The greatest difference between males and females in the survey was in the discussion of the University's "Spirit of Inclusion" statement. The University states that "we welcome all people, regardless of color, gender, religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation, social or economic class and nationality."

When asked if they were aware of the statement, only 22.4 percent of students had heard of it and knew something about it, whereas 40.7 percent had not heard of the statement at all. Of those students who did not know about it, 38 percent were female and 50 percent were male, the only difference greater than five percent in the survey.

Additionally, in both the survey question and free response, students commented on the insufficient support services for gay, lesbian, bisex-

ual and questioning students at Notre Dame.

"This is important because there isn't a club," Rodts said. "The club is usually turned down because [the administration] says there are sufficient support services."

Student government hopes to continue the student survey in order to make certain each student has the opportunity to have his or her voice heard, Reish said.

With the change in student government leadership, the

results of the survey will be evaluated and considered by student body president Grant Schmidt and the 2009-2010 student government. The student feedback will help outline important issues for the coming year and enable student government along with the administration to address the changing needs of the student body.

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## Lay down your stones

In my role as the current president of the Notre Dame Alumni Association, many concerned alumni have called and written me about the upcoming visit of President Obama to Notre Dame as Commencement speaker. While I don't speak for the Alumni Association or its Board of Directors, I do have a unique window on this controversy that has given me cause for reflection. Those who object to the visit cite the grave differences between Mr. Obama and Notre Dame regarding abortion rights because our Catholic faith unequivocally opposes abortion. However, we must also be mindful of Catholic teaching in other areas pertaining to human dignity in which we have a good deal in common with the president.

In recent centuries, the Popes and the Bishops have put forth a body of writings — papal encyclicals and bishops' pastoral letters — that guide Catholics on matters of social and moral conduct in the world. These official writings, collectively referred to as Catholic social teaching, guide us on the meaning of human dignity and other core Catholic values such as solidarity with the poor, economic justice and the role of markets, caring for God's creation, just war and the challenge of peace and the dignity of work and workers' rights. Catholic social teaching embraces modern life "from womb to tomb" and challenges us to ask the hard questions that Jesus would have asked if he walked in our shoes today.

"Gaudium et Spes" is the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World from Vatican II. In it, the protection of life is at the forefront, but the fostering of a dignified life is given

equal weight. It speaks of "the sublime dignity of human persons, ... whose rights and duties are universal and inviolable," and who therefore are entitled to "everything necessary for living a life truly human, such as food, clothing, shelter, ... education [and] employment." Conversely, it condemns "whatever violates the integrity of the human person, such as mutilation, torments inflicted on body or mind, subhuman living conditions, arbitrary imprisonment, deportation, disgraceful working conditions, where men are treated as mere tools for profit." (No. 26) Similarly, in "A Catholic Framework for Economic Life," the U.S. Catholic Bishops give us principles to guide our economic policies which must be judged by how they protect the life and dignity of the human person, especially the poor and the vulnerable. It affirms that people have a right to the basic necessities of life, including health care, a safe environment, just wages and benefits, decent working conditions and the right to join unions or other workers' associations.

The passages above resonate deeply with issues of human dignity in Catholic Social Teaching that President Obama is addressing courageously, including: abolishing the "arbitrary imprisonment" and "torments inflicted on the body or mind" at Guantanamo, prioritizing education, jobs and housing and boldly reforming our economic system to ensure that working people are not "mere tools for profit." He is tackling health care reform, environmental stewardship and economic security, all of which raise the possibility of a more dignified life for even the least among us.

In this season of Lent, we are reminded that we are all sinners; our world is complex and imperfect; and only God can reconcile our deepest contradic-

tions and heal our most painful wounds. Although we disagree with Mr. Obama on some core issues, we must not condemn. We must be like the elders who laid down their stones and walked away from the adulterous woman when Jesus challenged them by saying, "He that has not sinned may cast the first stone." None of us is pure in our adherence to our Catholic principles, and each of us falls short in some way of living up to our Notre Dame ideals.

President Obama was elected in a free and fair election and is Commander-in-Chief of our nation's military that includes many Notre Dame alumni and students. Notre Dame has a tradition of inviting Presidents to be Commencement speakers. President Obama has been invited and he will come to Notre Dame on May 17. When he does, we would do well to heed another of the precepts of "Gaudium et Spes:"

"Respect and love ought to be extended also to those who think or act differently than we do in social, political and even religious matters. In fact, the more deeply we come to understand their ways of thinking through such courtesy and love, the more easily will we be able to enter into dialogue with them."

With this approach, this Commencement will be the beginning of a constructive engagement with the president on the issues where we are aligned as well as on those where we disagree.

Yours in Notre Dame.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Annual war averted

The "Vagina Monologues" are canceled. I never thought I'd hear those words this spring, and was caught off-guard as I was readying my battle gear for the annual frenzy that takes place every April when the "Monologues" are announced. Considering the current hoop-la about the Obama drama on campus, I expected this year's feud to be nastier than ever. I want to thank the pragmatic women in charge of the play for being sensible and cancelling the show; one culture battle at a time please!

It's not that I'm necessarily for or against the show. Last year I wrote a letter to the editor that was partially devoted to addressing the issue, stating how I agree with the goal of the show, but believe that the more vulgar skits undermine the message and do more harm than good in challenging violence against women. The "Monologues" in the form last presented represent a type of feminism that I abhor; not a kind that encourages equality in opportunity, status and treatment

through reasoned debate and persuasion, but rather one so polarizing that although it creates lots of discussion, it is only hateful and counter-productive.

It was a good choice to cancel the show and I applaud those who made the decision. Bravo! At the end of this year's non-performance, I'm giving a standing ovation in hopes of an encore no-show next year. Perhaps an academic discussion centered around activities like volunteering at a battered women's shelter or handing out informative literature would be time better spent than rehearsing for and attending a divisive and at times particularly offensive display named after a sex organ.

Stephen Bant

senior

off campus

April 7

## Bleak future

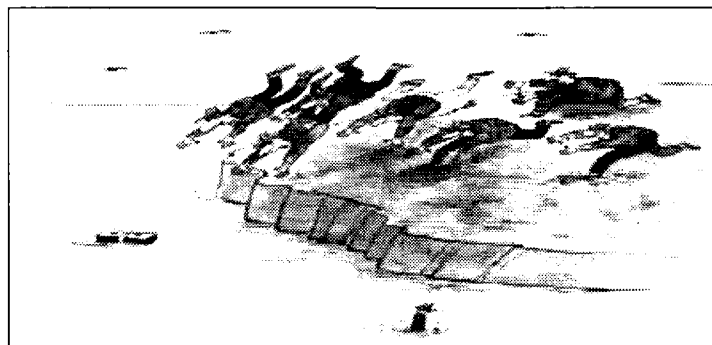
It matters not that the "Monologues" won't be performed. The Rev. Jenkins, by inviting the anti-Christ Obama to campus, has already succeeded in fracturing for generations the image of Notre Dame as a Catholic and principled university.

Peter K. Connolly

alumnus

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April 7



### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Once lead this people into war and they will forget there ever was such a thing as tolerance."

Woodrow Wilson  
Former U.S. President

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"This job requires a lot of reading."

Jenn Metz  
Editor-in-Chief



## Enough with Kessler! Hold him accountable

For an entire academic calendar year I have been writing a column for The Observer. For the same academic calendar year I have been reading the editorial comments of the other Observer columnists: Professor Rice and Christy Pesavento providing conservative assessments, Andrew Nesi making us all feel stupider by reading his insights, Katherine Khorey relating her experience abroad, Daryl Campbell letting us know what it's like to be a graduate student here. And there are other columnists, each worthwhile in their own right. Each, that is, except for one — Bob Kessler and his so-called "House of Stix." House of Stix indeed! I assure you, Bob Kessler, that by the end of this column said house will be taken apart stick by said stick.

Now I have to interject, in my typical fashion, to preface my words with a sort of disclaimer. I know Bob Kessler well. I became acquainted with him freshman year through our mutual friend Observer columnist Brad Blomstrom and I have spent ample time with him over the past year including a week in the Sodom of the 21st Century. Bob is a good person with a good heart and I enjoy his company.

But his column — fair reader, that's a

different story. The Bob Kessler of "House of Stix" has been allowed to go unchecked, unquestioned and unchallenged since at least this past August (and I here acknowledge that he has been writing a column since spring semester 2008 but I have only been reading since returning to campus this year). Bob Kessler has turned the student body of this campus against itself and that is simply uncalled for. Nobody asked Bob Kessler to come in and explain the hook-up culture. Nobody asked Bob Kessler to investigate the Saint Mary's Executive Board stipends. Nobody asked Bob Kessler to tell us how to find true love at Club Fever. Nobody asked Bob Kessler to tell us how to best live our lives before we turn the depressing age of 30. But without being asked, Bob Kessler callously and brazenly did each of these things. And more things. Many much things, even.

Now, because of Bob Kessler, we as a Notre Dame student body have become too self-aware (which as we all know from John Connor's personal misery is a dangerous, dangerous thing). I have recently talked to people who at one point in time used to travel to Club Fever every Thursday night and partake in a dance floor makeout (DFM in common parlance). But these DFM'ers now are afraid that Bob Kessler will see them at Club Fever and somehow work them into a column in the near future. So not only do they not DFM at Club Fever, they don't even go to Club Fever anymore. They stay home with their doors locked and their

shutters closed. Bob Kessler can't reference them if he can't see them. It's a sad story and it's one that's spreading.

Now, because of Bob Kessler, we as a Notre Dame student body are unable to watch "The Late Show with David Letterman" and "Saturday Night Live" on successive nights without feeling guilty. Another friend of mine, after reading last week's "House of Stix," cried himself to sleep because he realized how lame he must be to spend Friday and Saturday night watching some high-quality late night entertainment. It didn't matter that he used both Letterman and "SNL" as drinking games and went out to bars after each show ended, therefore upping his factor of being extremely college. Bob has made him conscious of his errors and crushed his spirit.

Now, because of Bob Kessler, Bob Kessler has become a gigantic figure: a man whom this campus discusses at length. A man who engenders Viewpoint debate. A man who receives Facebook friend requests from people who he doesn't know each time his column prints. "House of Stix" has turned itself from an observational and humorous comment on life at Notre Dame into its own cultural phenomenon dictating the behavior of the undergraduates who inhabit this university. Bob Kessler has created a beast that cannot be killed.

You might be wondering why I care so deeply about the negative affects of "House of Stix" and Bob Kessler at Notre Dame if I'll be graduating soon. Well, that's a simple question to answer. I care

because what Bob Kessler achieved is exactly what I tried to achieve with my column. From the first moments of this year I called for a higher appreciation of "Full House" and yet I have not heard of one person who has watched any episode of that show to give it another chance. I tried to tear down the pillars of accountability and in a complete reversal of my expectations the Mendoza College of Business goes up in the rankings. And don't even get me started on the failure of my Christmas campaign. I attribute the failure of my column to Bob Kessler and the success of his.

Why is Bob Kessler a celebrity and Andrew Miller only known to his friends? Why is Bob Kessler a hero and Andrew Miller a nobody? Why have I spent my entire column talking about Bob Kessler thereby adding to the fame and notoriety of Bob Kessler? These are questions which I simply can't answer. Questions that will only be answered as the march of time proceeds. But with luck, you and I fair reader can do something to help reverse what could potentially be a devastating future for my ego.

I call upon you, Notre Dame, to join with me in bringing an end to "House of Stix." With luck, we can convince the University to refuse Bob Kessler's diploma come May 17.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Partisan hand

In response to an interview today on FoxNews about the weekend protest, Ms. Kathleen Donahue, Notre Dame junior and spokesperson for Notre Dame Response, a group organizing protests on campus was asked why an invitation to President Obama is any different than an invitation to President Bush, who supports the death penalty. Ms. Donahue condemned the invitation to President Obama with the rationale that abortion is always wrong but inexplicably misrepresented the Church's views on the death penalty as having more "room for leeway" and debate. This statement seems to tip her hand that her views suit partisan ends are not consistent with the Church's views or a true pro-life agenda. The death penalty is an even more egregious affront to life since it is the government taking an active role in snuffing out life. How this can be overlooked while abortion becomes the premier pro-life issue is politics, at best.

Ellen Burns  
third year law  
off campus  
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## Be open to the outside world

Seeing the well-publicized story of hundreds of Notre Dame students demanding that President Obama not be allowed the honor to speak at this year's Commencement address has served as yet another reminder why I have completely severed ties with the institution.

While I received a terrific, well-rounded education at Notre Dame, I have a hard time looking back fondly on my time there as the sheltered atmosphere and prevailing attitude of self-righteousness of the institution, to me, seemed oblivious of what lay ahead in the real world. Perhaps it's different now, but when I first entered, our class was told how special we were to be a part of the class at Notre Dame. And when I left, I remember the outcry of many members from the student body regarding the lack of name recognition and worthiness of our Commencement speaker — Condoleezza Rice, then provost of Stanford. During my time there, Notre Dame never seemed too aware of the outside world and those residing in it that may not have the same background or believe in the same things. Seems as if many of today's Notre Dame students wish to see that continued.

Patrick Wassar  
alumnus  
class of 1996  
April 7

## Work to maintain Catholic traditions

We write as priests of the Congregation of Holy Cross and as proud graduates of the University of Notre Dame to voice our objection to the University's decision to honor President Barack Obama by inviting him to deliver this year's Commencement address and by conferring on him an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.

We wish to associate ourselves with and encourage those courageous students and treasured alumni who, while deeply loving Notre Dame, vigorously oppose this sad and regrettable decision of the University administration.

It is our deep conviction that Notre Dame should lead by word and deed in upholding the Church's fundamental teaching that human life must be respected and protected from the moment of conception. In so doing the University must take seriously the 2004 instruction of the U.S. Catholic Bishops that "Catholic institutions should not honor those who act in defiance of our fundamental moral principles. They should not be given awards, honors, or platforms which would suggest support for their actions."

We especially regret the fissure that the invitation to President Obama has opened between Notre Dame and its local ordinary and many of his fellow bishops. We express our deep gratitude to Bishop John D'Arcy for his leadership and moral clarity. We ask that the University give renewed consideration to Bishop D'Arcy's thoughtful counsel which always has Notre Dame's best interests at heart.

The University pursues a dangerous course when it allows itself to decide for and by itself what part of being a Catholic institution it will choose to embrace. Although undoubtedly unintended, the University administration's decision portends a distancing of Notre Dame from the Church which is its

lifeblood and the source of its identity and real strength. Such a distancing puts at risk the true soul of Notre Dame.

We regret that our position on this issue puts us at odds with our brother priest in Holy Cross, Fr. John Jenkins, C.S.C. Yet, in this instance, for the good of Notre Dame and the Congregation of Holy Cross, we cannot remain silent. Notre Dame's decision has caused moral confusion and given many reason to believe that the University's stance against the terrible evil of abortion is weak and easily trumped by other considerations.

We prayerfully request that Fr. Jenkins and the Fellows of the University, who are entrusted with responsibility for maintaining its essential character as a Catholic institution of higher learning, revisit this matter immediately. Failure to do so will damage the integrity of the institution and detract from all the good work that occurs at Notre Dame and from the impressive labors of its many faithful students and professors.

We offer these views as we enter Holy Week, recalling the triumph of Christ's holy cross. As "men with hope to bring" we are confident that Notre Dame may yet give true honor to its patroness, and witness to Her Son, through its commitment to the sanctity of life.

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## Your favorite shows are in danger

As a television fanatic, springtime is bittersweet for me. It means sweeps month, which is when shows pull out all the stops to get fans to watch. But it also means that networks begin to make decisions about shows that are performing badly. And that means shows that are beloved by faithful fans are often sent to the chopping block.

**Caitlin Ferraro**

*Assistant Scene Editor*

In the past, shows like "Firefly," "Arrested Development" and "Freaks and Geeks" were cut down in their prime. It seems that every year at least one great television show is axed before it has been given a true chance. This season's fallen comrades already include "Eli Stone," "Dirty Sexy Money" and "Pushing Daisies." And now the grim reaper is looming again for other favorites.

It seems like ratings are everything for most networks, but each one has different standards. For instance, CBS would implode if its shows received the numbers a network like The CW gets. Ratings differ from network to network, but some shows are also held to higher standards based on — you guessed it — money. If a show is too expensive to make and it's not receiving overwhelming ratings, it might be headed to the television heaven in the sky.

I implore you to pay attention if you want to save a favorite show that might be in danger this season. First up to bat is "Chuck," the action-comedy of a lovable nerd who has become the CIA's latest asset. Even with huge promos for the 3-D episode during the Super Bowl, "Chuck" just cannot find a faithful following. It seems like NBC likes the show, so I am desper-

ately hoping they can save it somehow. Possibly with a DirecTV deal like they did for "Friday Night Lights?"

Science fiction shows are also approaching the guillotine. Will "Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles" be given the chance to ride on the coat-tails of the likely summer blockbuster film "Terminator Salvation?" Surely the film, starring Christian Bale, will reboot interest in the Terminator universe. If Batman can't save this show, no one can.

While Joss Whedon's "Dollhouse" did get off to a slow start, shocking revelations in episode six have boosted the show creatively. Here's to hoping that FOX will not end "Dollhouse" and leave viewers hanging with untied mysteries after airing the episodes that have

already been filmed. The worst situation is when networks cancel a show without allowing enough time for writers to create some sort of resolution. (Although, in the case of the recently deceased "Life on Mars," it may have been better without the bizarre and lame twist ending that Sam is not from 1973 or 2008 but is actually an astronaut traveling to Mars in 2035. Huh?)

Another new show in trouble is NBC's "Kings," which takes place in an alternate world where a David versus Goliath-like battle is occurring. "Kings" is an innovative show that combines religion and politics in a unique way. But low viewership combined with huge expenses to create this fantastical world may send the show to the grave before it ever really had a chance.

Other shows that are in danger include The CW's "Reaper," CBS' "Cold Case" and "Without a Trace,"

ABC's "In the Motherhood," and NBC's "My Name is Earl."

So what can you and I do to help save a show you care about? Honestly, not much. You can hope and pray and you should definitely watch the show itself.

While this might seem obvious, it's harder than you think when primetime television hours are also primetime hours for homework. So if you can't watch when the show airs live, use a DVR or watch the show on the actual network's Web site.

The next step takes a bit more effort, but is necessary if you are a die-hard fan. If you care passionately about a show in danger, then to make your voice heard you must go above and beyond. When CBS' "Jericho" was canceled after just one season, fans went wild. They sent thousands of pounds of peanuts (an inside joke from the show) to the network and, shockingly, they got another season. If this is too dramatic for you, you can also sign online petitions and send letters to the network to try to save a show.

As the end of the 2008-09 television season approaches fast, enjoy the great episodes to come. I, for one, cannot wait to see what's in store for the island in "Lost," or to see the "Grey's Anatomy" cast's performances as they try to save dying Izzie. But remember: as you watch the season finale of your favorite show, you might actually be watching its series finale.

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*It seems that every year at least one great television show is axed before it has been given a true chance.*

## THE ASSOCIATE fails to follow through

By ERIC PRISTER

Scene Writer

John Grisham's newest legal-thriller novel "The Associate" is entertaining throughout, but leaves the reader unfulfilled in the end.

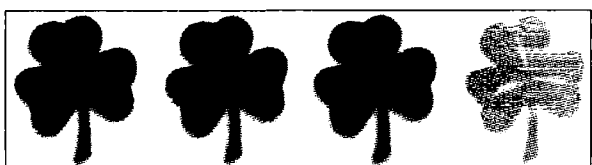
Kyle McAvoy has an extraordinarily difficult life as

### The Associate By John Grisham

**10 Words or Less:** Struggling young lawyer is blackmailed. Entertaining, but weak ending.

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a first-year associate at Scully and Pershing, the largest law firm in the world. With a father who is disappointed that Kyle has chosen to work on Wall Street, a fledgling relationship with a beautiful fellow first-year associate named Dale that is forbidden by company policy, the results of his bar exam pending and the 100-hour work weeks demanded of all first-year associates at Scully and Pershing, Kyle's life seems tough enough. His biggest problem, however, is that he is being blackmailed by an anonymous organization into stealing confidential information from the firm.

Kyle had been set to graduate from Yale Law School and begin what should have been a bright future when he was cornered by a group of operatives from this organization. They brought up a part of Kyle's past that could ruin all that he had worked for and forced Kyle to make a decision — work for them and steal secrets from the largest law firm in the world, or risk being exposed.

The lead agent of those who blackmail Kyle is a man named Bennie Wright (an obvious alias) who

demanding nearly total control and surveillance over Kyle's life. Wright secures a job for Kyle at Scully and Pershing, where he is to work and eventually steal valuable information.

"The Associate" follows Kyle's journey from his graduation through his hiring and working at Scully and Pershing. The book is suspenseful, filled with drama and mystery and written in an easily read style. Grisham gives the reader a view into every part of Kyle's life, including his duties as a first-year associate in a major law firm, his romantic relationship with Dale and his attempts to salvage relationships with his college frat brothers.

Unfortunately, the ending brings closure to nearly nothing in the story. Kyle's role as a double-agent is somewhat resolved, but many questions are left unanswered. The book is an excellent read almost the entire way through, but it fails to deliver the enjoyment that should come from discovering the truth of the situation at the end.

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# ◀◀ rock REWIND

*What has time told us about old favorites?*

## Foo Fighters

By ALEXANDRA KILPATRICK  
Assistant Scene Editor

In 1995, no one thought that anything more than a short-lived hype would come of Foo Fighters, the solo music project newly formed by Dave Grohl, the goofy looking kid in the background of all of Nirvana's band pictures. The former Nirvana drummer originally released 1995's "Foo Fighters" as a demo, recording the vocals and nearly all of the instrumental parts by himself.

Grohl did not form a band until after the debut album's completion, recruiting bassist Nate Mendel, guitarist Pat Smear and drummer William Goldsmith. Nonetheless, the album produced the three hit singles "This Is a Call," "I'll Stick Around" and "Big Me," and was nominated for Best Alternative Music Album at the 1996 Grammy Awards.

However, the 1997 sophomore album "The Colour and the Shape" was the LP that truly solidified Foo Fighters as a band. Although Grohl still performed vocals and guitar as well as drums on many of the songs, the album was a debut for the new members.

Grohl loosely conceived "The Colour and the Shape" as a concept album signifying the beginning and end of a relationship. The first track, "Doll," features soft vocals and clearly indicates the beginning of the relationship with the lyrics, "You know in all the time that we've shared / I've never been so scared."

The album moves on to "Monkey Wrench," which deals with being trapped in an unsavory relationship and features a fast-paced guitar riff, a screamy bridge

and blunt, straightforward lyrics: "Don't want to be your monkey wrench / One more indecent accident / I'd rather leave than suffer this / I'll never be your monkey wrench."

"Hey, Johnny Park!" is an excellent example of the Foo Fighters' tendency to use the Pixies' and Nirvana's technique of switching between quiet verses and a loud chorus. Grohl said in a 1997 "Guitar World" article that this technique was influenced by the members of Nirvana "liking the Knack, Bay City Rollers, Beatles and ABBA as much as we liked Flipper and Black Flag, I suppose."

Sticking with the album's relationship concept, Grohl wrote "Up in Arms," a pop-sounding love song about his wife, Jennifer Youngblood. The song features soft romantic vocals at the beginning, leading into the loud, fast-paced reprise of an honest chorus, "I was the one who left you / Always coming back I cannot forget you girl / Now I am up in arms again."

A personal favorite, "My Hero," features recognizable percussion and guitar riffs, as well as loud, impassioned vocals and lyrics about everyday heroes, "There goes my hero / Watch him as he goes / There goes my hero / He's ordinary." According to Foo Archive, Grohl claimed, "That's my way of saying that when I was young, I didn't have big rock heroes, I didn't want to grow up and be some big sporting hero. My heroes were ordinary people and the people that I have a lot of respect for are just solid everyday people — people you

can rely on."

"See You" follows as a kitschy, sarcastic pop song, signifying the resentment in the relationship. As with "Up in Arms," the ballad "February Stars" features soft-spoken lyrics building into final loud vocals with lyrics representing a relationship hanging on by a thread: "February stars / Floating in the dark / Temporary scars / February stars."

In "Everlong," Grohl introduces a new wave drum beat, well-placed electric guitar riffs and impassioned emotion in the same contrasting loud-soft vocals and lyrics, "And I wonder / When I sing along with you / If everything could ever feel this real forever / If anything could ever feel this good again." The song follows with a soft atmospheric ballad, "Walking After You," which, according to Grohl in Foo Archive, is "an emotional, sappy song about getting dumped," signifying the end of the relationship.

The LP features bonus tracks in the extended edition, including four covers: Killing Joke's "Requiem," Vanity 6's "Drive Me Wild," Gary Numan's "Down in the Park," and Gerry Rafferty's "Baker Street." The Seattle-based band's cover of "Baker Street" replaces the famous saxophone solo with a guitar solo that surprisingly does justice to the song.

The Foo Fighters are still one of the most well-respected alternative rock bands in the music industry, and they have continued to rise to success with such singles as "Times Like These," "Best of You" and "The Pretender." There is no doubt that Grohl and company will "stick around" for a long time.

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*Grohl loosely conceived 'The Colour and the Shape' as a concept album signifying the beginning and end of a relationship.*

*"That's my way of saying that when I was young, I didn't have big rock heroes, I didn't want to grow up and be some big sporting hero."*

# CAMPUS RANT:

By ELLIE HALL  
Scene Writer

Notre Dame is not the same school it was when I visited campus for the first time three years ago. My first impression of the University was disbelief at the splendor of the grounds, the number of trees and the wide expanses of grass. Now, Notre Dame's natural beauty is being sacrificed

in a quest founded on a principle of space efficiency. In the past year alone, we've seen the renovation of the Law School, the beginnings of the new CSC building, the completion of one new resi-

dence hall and the quick construction of another. Paths from one side of campus to another are re-routed to avoid fenced-off areas, and it is impossible to go any-

*Notre Dame's natural beauty is being sacrificed in a quest founded on a principle of space efficiency.*

where without hearing the rumble of workers and machines.

The most obvious example of this trend can be seen behind Welsh Family Hall. Instead of Ryan Hall, the nearly-completed new women's dormitory, the land next to

the bookstore used to have a large, majestic tree, underneath which sat a statue of Jesus the teacher. More trees lined the pathway from the bookstore to McGlinn Hall, and the open area in

between was a place for games, quiet study, sunbathing or simple reflection on an unobstructed sky. Last year, students from all over campus flocked to this spot to observe a lunar eclipse for this very reason. The University is apparently running out of room for anything but architectural beauty.

Some University officials are apparently attempting to ameliorate this trend by planting new trees all over campus and creating grassy areas where there were none (the new space in front of Reckers, for example). Although this is commendable and speaks well of Notre Dame's environmental conscious-

ness, the planting of a new tree does not replace the loss of a 20-year-old oak and a small expanse of grass cannot compare to the large field that disappeared.

Dr. Seuss's Lorax spoke for the trees, but I speak for the trees, the grass and the sky. The students who chose to come to this University shouldn't be forced to watch as buildings replace running paths and slowly consume the untreated greenery on campus. Notre Dame needs to preserve the natural beauty of the campus as it expands.

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MLB

Thome leads White Sox to an opening day win

Beckett strikes out 10 in seven innings in Red Sox victory; Giants overcome struggles to beat out Brewers

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Jim Thome pumped his fist as he rounded the bases and then came out for a curtain call. Even after all these years, a go-ahead home run on opening day is something to celebrate.

Thome hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning, rallying the Chicago White Sox past the Kansas City Royals 4-2 Tuesday in a season opener delayed a day because of bad weather.

Chicago trailed 2-1 when Thome hit his 542nd career home run, connecting with two outs off Royals newcomer Kyle Farnsworth. Thome homered twice in last year's opener off CC Sabathia, a loss to Cleveland.

"Opening day, there's a lot of emotions," the 38-year-old Thome said. "No matter how long you've played the game, you still get jittery, you still get that nervous excitement."

The White Sox and Royals were supposed to play Monday, but a forecast of snow, high winds and cold forced them to postpone the game for a day. The conditions were far from ideal on Tuesday, with a game-time temperature of 43 degrees and 20 mph winds blowing through the ballpark.

Thome's shot gave Chicago the win on a day when Mark Buehrle struggled, and it erased a solid outing by Kansas City's Gil Meche.

"I got behind him 2-0 and I tried to come back on him with fast balls," Farnsworth said. "That's what you're supposed to do and I think it was up a little bit. I tried to get ahead of him. When you fall behind good hitters like that, they make you pay."

After years of losing, the Royals believe better days are coming. And for most of the afternoon, this looked like one.

Meche pitched seven strong innings, Alex Gordon homered and the Royals were in line for the win until Farnsworth (0-1) came on in the eighth.

Josh Fields led off with a bunt single and moved to third with one out on Chris Getz's single. After Carlos Quentin struck out, Thome homered to center field and a crowd that had been listless went wild, drawing a curtain call from the slugger.

"He's a bad man," teammate Paul Konerko said. "There's no other way to say it. Jimmy's hit a lot of homers and had a lot of big hits and played a long time, but he's still as hungry to do that as any guy that's ever played as long as he has. That's what sets him apart, I think. He's out there grinding every-day like he's a rookie."

Winning pitcher Octavio Dotel (1-0) struck out the side in the eighth after Clayton Richard threw two scoreless innings. Bobby Jenks pitched a scoreless ninth for the save.

Gordon gave Kansas City a 1-0 lead when he connected off Buehrle in the second. Chicago tied it in the bottom half on Fields' RBI single, and the Royals went ahead in the fifth when Jose Guillen scored on Gordon's forced out.

That looked like it might be enough for Meche, who won 14 games last season. The right-hander allowed one run and seven hits, struck out six with no walks and felt he could have pitched the eighth.

"I told (manager Trey Hillman) that," Meche said. "But we have some guys out there who have done it before. We just fell short today. Get them tomorrow and try to win the series hopefully." It was a rather forgettable afternoon for Buehrle, who tied Billy Pierce's club record by starting his seventh opener. That bit of trivia aside, the three-time All-Star struggled with his control and consistently found himself in jams. A 15-game winner last season, he allowed two runs and six hits while striking out three, walking three and hitting two batters over five innings. He said he was embarrassed and even apologized to manager Ozzie Guillen, yet he was also relieved. "As bad as I pitched and to keep them to only two runs, I'm happy about it," Buehrle said. A single by Thome helped the White Sox load the bases with none out in the bottom half. Fields hit an RBI single, but Jermaine Dye was easily thrown out at the plate when he tried to score from second. Fields, replacing the departed Joe Crede at third, also saved a run in the fifth when he stabbed Billy Butler's grounder behind the bag and threw home to force Mark Teahen with the bases loaded. Jose Guillen then scored from third on a forced out by Gordon to make it 2-1, but in the end, the day belonged to Thome.

**Red Sox 5, Rays 3**

AL MVP Dustin Pedroia and the Boston Red Sox are off to a fast start.

Pedroia homered on the second pitch he saw this season and Josh Beckett struck out 10 in seven innings of two-hit ball to lead the Red Sox to a 5-3 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays on Tuesday in a makeup of their rained-out opener.

Jason Varitek also homered for Boston in a rematch of last year's AL championship series, which the Rays won in seven games to advance to the franchise's first World Series.

Tampa Bay scored one run off Beckett and two in the eighth off Hideki Okajima before Justin Masterson pitched out of a jam and Jonathan Papelbon got three outs for the save.

James Shields gave up five runs on seven hits and three walks, striking out two in five innings as the AL champions opened their pennant defense completely overpowered by Beckett.

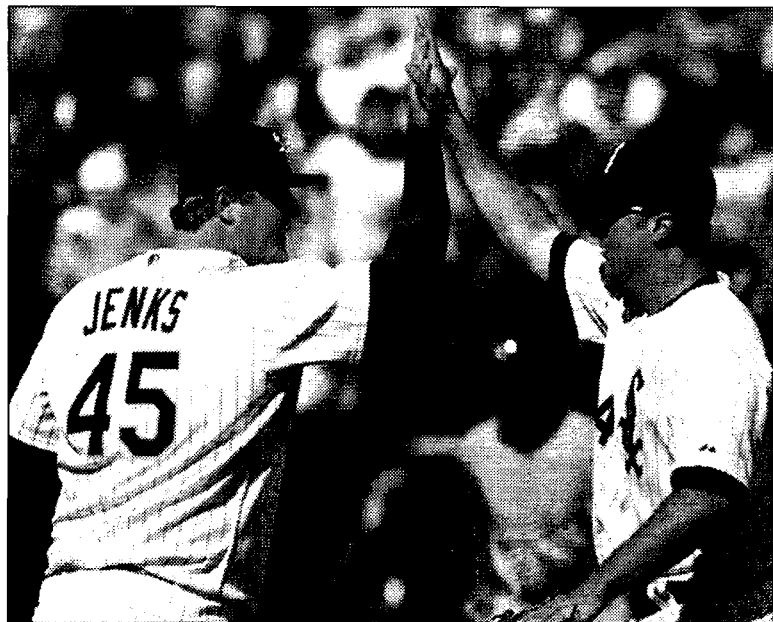
The Red Sox right-hander allowed a third-inning single to Akinori Iwamura and Carl Crawford's sixth-inning double to go with three walks. He struck out Gabe Gross on a 93 mph fastball to end the seventh.

Brisk weather replaced the steady downpour that forced the Red Sox to postpone Monday's game four hours before the scheduled first pitch. The sky was overcast but dry for the makeup, with the wind blowing out toward center.

The Red Sox changed the traditional baseline introductions by having their players come out of the stands, high-fiving fans on the way to the field. The Boston Pops took over the national anthem from singer Seal, who had been scheduled for Monday but couldn't stick around.

After the traditional fighter jet flyover, newly elected Hall of Famer Jim Rice drove out in a golf cart with U.S. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy. The Massachusetts Democrat, who has been diagnosed with brain cancer, went to the mound with the help of a cane and bounced a short toss to Rice; (on the second try, he made it on a fly).

Beckett took care of the first three Rays before Pedroia came up with one out and homered over the Green Monster. Pedroia also walked to start the three-run third, scoring on J.D.



White Sox closer Bobby Jenks, left, celebrates with teammate Paul Konerko after defeating the Royals in their season opener.

Drew's groundout before Jason Bay's RBI single and Mike Lowell's run-scoring double.

But even more welcome for last year's AL wild-card winner was Varitek's homer around the Pesky Pole in the sixth. The catcher, who turns 37 on Saturday, is coming off the worst season of his career and a drawn-out negotiation with the Red Sox before signing a cut-rate deal for \$5 million with options for 2010 that could make it worth as much as \$10 million.

Varitek made his ninth straight opening-day start, most ever for a Red Sox catcher. Left fielder Carl Yastrzemski holds the franchise lead with 15.

Shields fell to 0-4 with 17 earned runs in 15 2-3 innings in four career appearances at Fenway Park.

**Giants 10, Brewers 6**

Travis Ishikawa hit a three-run triple, Aaron Rowand had three RBIs and the San Francisco Giants overcame Tim Lincecum's struggles for a 10-6 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday in the majors' final opener.

Rowand, Bengie Molina and Randy Winn homered for the Giants, whose 12-hit battering of Milwaukee's pitching more than made up for the shortest start of Lincecum's career. The NL Cy Young Award winner made it through just three innings, yielding three runs, four hits and three walks.

Milwaukee didn't get much more from Jeff Suppan (0-1), who hit an RBI double but gave up six runs in four innings as the unlikely opening-day starter for a club that lost its top two pitchers from last season's run to the NL wild card. Rickie Weeks and Bill Hall hit run-scoring doubles in manager Ken Macha's debut with the Brewers, who left 11 men on base.

Joe Martinez (1-0) gave up two runs during two rocky innings in his major league debut, but still got the win when Rowand put the Giants ahead 6-5 with his two-run shot in the fourth.

Rain pelted the Giants' waterfront ballpark for most of the morning, but it abated before game time and eventually gave way to warm sunshine, despite bleak weather forecasts. Both managers had made contingency plans for a doubleheader Wednesday, when Randy Johnson will make his Giants debut against burgeoning Brewers ace Yovani Gallardo.

Lincecum, who will formally receive his Cy Young Award on Wednesday night, struck out five after leading the majors in strikeouts last year. But the right-hander never appeared comfortable while laboring through 78 pitches.

He walked Weeks on five pitches to start the Giants' 10th opening day at their park. He also drilled Ryan Braun in the back and threw a wild pitch in the first inning alone, but struck out Prince Fielder and J.J. Hardy to avoid giving up any runs.

Ishikawa, who won the starting job at first base in spring training despite just 45 games of major league experience, lined a shot into the deepest corner of the Giants' outfield in the bottom half, easily reaching third base while Edgar Renteria, Fred Lewis and Pablo Sandoval scored.

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## NCAA Softball RPI Division I Top 25

	team	record
1	Florida	34-3
2	Washington	28-5
3	Alabama	27-6
4	Georgia	24-4
5	UCLA	26-6
6	LSU	21-7
7	Oklahoma	27-10
8	Michigan	22-9
9	Kentucky	22-11
10	Northwestern	18-7
11	Arizona	31-7
12	Missouri	30-4
13	Stanford	31-2
14	Ohio State	24-6
15	Arizona State	31-5
16	Tennessee	26-8
17	La.-Lafayette	18-7
18	Iowa	27-7
19	Texas	26-11
20	Louisville	29-5
21	Florida State	25-11
22	DePaul	16-7
23	UNI	20-8
24	Illinois	18-8
25	Nebraska	25-7

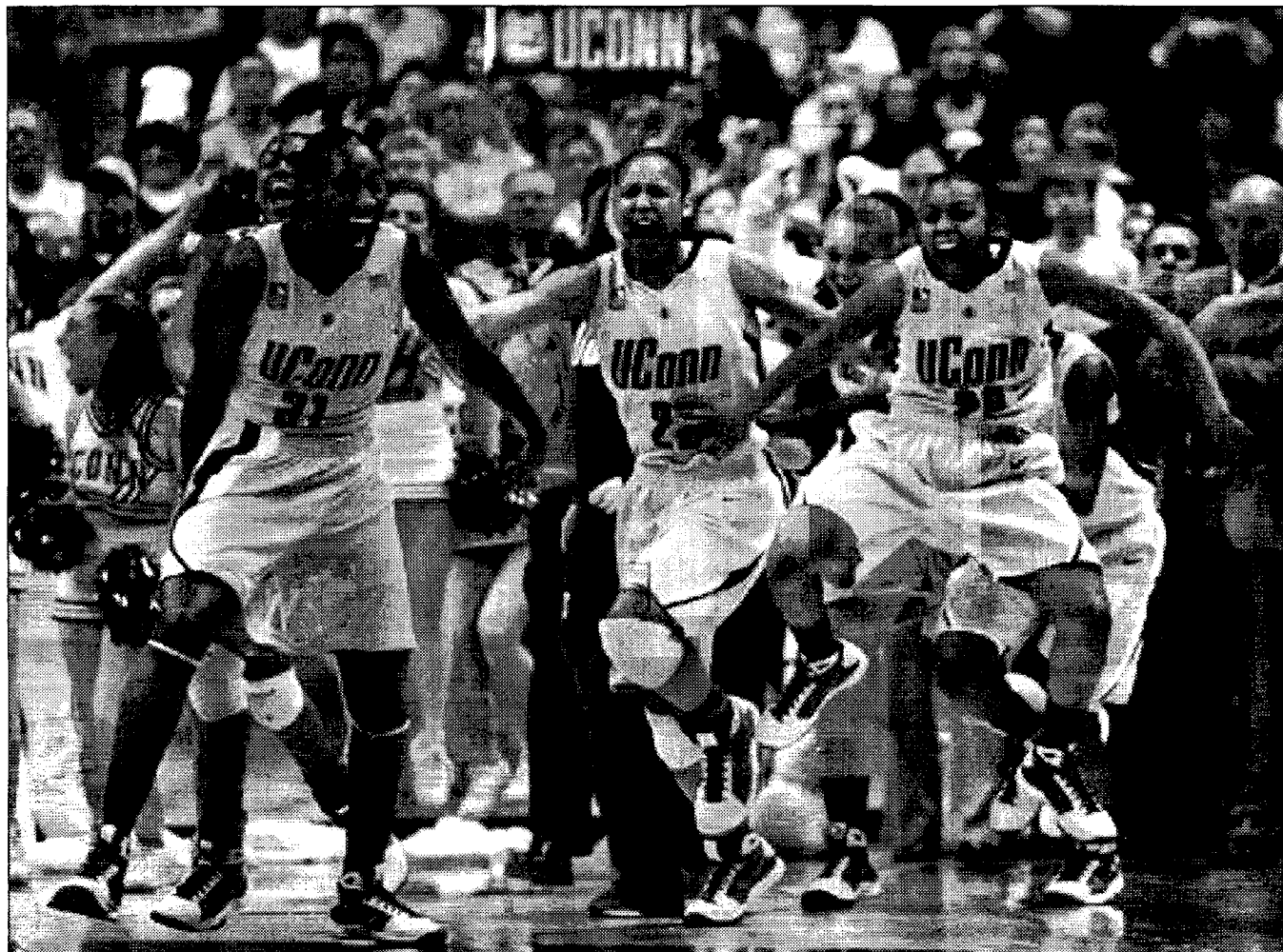
## ITA Men's Tennis Division 1 Rankings

	team	points	previous
1	Virginia	81	1
2	Mississippi	76	2
3	Ohio State	73	5
4	Georgia	70	3
5	Tennessee	70	5
6	Southern California	67	6
7	Baylor	67	7
8	Stanford	64	8
9	UCLA	61	9
10	Florida	58	10
11	Illinois	54	12
12	Texas A&M	53	14
13	Texas	51	11
14	Kentucky	50	13
15	Alabama	49	15
16	Florida State	44	16
17	Pepperdine	42	18
18	Arizona	36	20
19	Boise State	36	23
20	NOTRE DAME	34	22

## NCAA Women's Golf NGCA Division 1 Rankings

	team	points
1	Arizona State	659
2	UCLA	657
3	Southern California	620
4	Oklahoma State	522
5	Virginia	522
6	Alabama	508
7	Auburn	466
8	Duke	457
9	Wake Forest	436
10	Georgia	430
11	LSU	407
12	Purdue	404
13	Vanderbilt	342
14	Pepperdine	323
15	North Carolina	302

## NCAA Women's BASKETBALL



From left, Connecticut's Tina Charles, Maya Moore and Renee Montgomery celebrate the Huskie's win at the women's NCAA basketball tournament Final Four in St. Louis on Tuesday. Connecticut won, 76-54.

## UConn defeats Louisville 76-54 in finals

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — With one final blowout, UConn grabbed the national title and a piece of basketball history.

Tina Charles had 25 points and grabbed 19 rebounds Tuesday night as UConn routed Louisville 76-54 and captured the Huskies' sixth national championship.

It wasn't just that Connecticut claimed another title. It was how they did it.

UConn won every one of its 39 games by double digits, an unprecedented run in college basketball.

Charles was the star of

the last big win. She commanded both ends of the floor and Louisville, which lost to UConn for the third time this season, had no one who could stop her.

Coach Geno Auriemma had said before the tournament that his junior center would be the key to UConn winning the title. A year after he benched her in the NAAs for inconsistent play, Charles delivered.

She was 11-for-13 from the field, and fell just one rebound short of becoming only the second player ever in a championship game to have at least 20 points and 20 rebounds.

Charles was named the outstanding player of the Final Four.

Maya Moore and Renee Montgomery each added 18 points for the Huskies.

Angel McCoughtry finished off her stellar career for Louisville with 23 points. Candyce Bingham was the only other Cardinal in double figures with 10 points as Louisville (34-5) shot a dismal 31 percent from the floor.

Unlike its previous two wins over Louisville, it took about 15 minutes for UConn to begin pulling away from the Cardinals.

Leading by six, the

Huskies turned up their defense. Louisville missed 18 straight shots spanning the half as Connecticut turned a 30-24 lead into a 19-point advantage.

Louisville (34-5) came into its first title game with little pressure. The Cardinals were big underdogs, bidding to knock off three No. 1 seeds on their way to a championship.

The victory put the Huskies in the same class as UConn's other unbeaten teams in 1995 and 2002. Besides Connecticut, only Tennessee and Texas have run through a season without a loss.

## IN BRIEF

### Clippers forward Randolph arrested for drunk driving

LOS ANGELES — Marion native and Los Angeles Clippers forward Zach Randolph has been arrested for investigation of drunken driving.

California Highway Patrol Officer Tony Garrett says two officers saw a white Rolls-Royce weaving on Interstate 405 around 2:25 a.m. Monday.

The officers pulled the car over and identified Randolph as its driver. Garrett says alcohol could be smelled from inside the car and after conducting a field sobriety test, Randolph was arrested and taken to the Men's Central Jail in downtown Los Angeles.

He was later released on \$5,000 bail. A message left for a Clippers spokesman was not immediately returned.

Randolph had 18 points in the Clippers' 88-85 loss to the Los Angeles Lakers on Sunday night.

### Baseball allowing women to participate for Olympic bid

WASHINGTON — Baseball will be adding a women's component to its bid to get reinstated for the 2016 Olympics, after failing to unite with women's softball.

The president of the International Baseball Federation, Harvey Schiller, told The Associated Press the change will be made in the next few days.

"The main reason is the growth of the game, and, obviously, we have a constituency which makes up women's baseball, and they're asking, 'What about us?'" Schiller said in a telephone interview Monday. "We want the world to know that we have women's baseball."

The move comes a few weeks after women's softball rejected baseball's proposal for a joint baseball-softball bid. The two sports are among seven competing for two openings for new sports at the 2016 Olympics; the International Olympic Committee will decide in October.

### Blackhawks defeat Blue Jackets in 1-0 overtime win

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Blackhawks moved a step closer to securing home ice in the first round of the playoffs, while the Blue Jackets earned a valuable point as they inch toward their first postseason berth.

Nikolai Khabibulin made 20 saves for his second shutout of the season and the 40th of his career, and rookie Kris Versteeg scored his 22nd of the season with 1:50 remaining in overtime to give Chicago a 1-0 win over Columbus on Sunday night.

Versteeg skated alone from beyond center ice to beat Steve Mason, the fellow rookie star who finished with 24 saves for Columbus, with a low shot that bounced off the goalie's stick and into the net.

"You can't really see much going in on that goalie," Versteeg said. "I was going five-hole and I guess I got lucky and it bounced in. Coming down against a guy like Mason I guess all you can do is shoot and pray to God it goes into the net."

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## NCAA BASKETBALL

# Tar Heels return home to celebrate

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — North Carolina saved the last dance for Danny Green.

The Carolina blue-clad crowd prodded him, and "Jump Around" blared from the speakers in his honor. So, just as he did before four seasons' worth of tip-offs at the Smith Center, the senior shook his hips, dangled his arms and cut loose one last time.

Whoop it up, Tar Heels, you brought another NCAA championship trophy back to campus.

Coach Roy Williams' team returned home Tuesday to celebrate the proud program's fifth national title and first since 2005 with about 13,000 revved-up fans less than 24 hours after beating Michigan State 89-72 in Detroit.

Thousands of fans poured into the stands and onto the arena floor before the Tar Heels' flight had even landed at nearby Raleigh-Durham International Airport, and they cheered fanatically every time live television footage of the team's motorcade was shown on the giant video boards.

Last to enter the arena was Williams, who carried in the trophy and the net he helped cut down at Ford Field.

"I stood up here in 2005 and told you how great it was to win a national championship for our alma mater," Williams said.

"And I'll tell you right now, winning the second national championship for our alma mater is even sweeter."

Especially for seniors Tyler Hansbrough, Bobby Frasor and Green.

They came to campus in the fall of 2005, a few months after the school claimed its previous title, and went on to post a 101-14 record through four years with three regular-season ACC titles and two Final Four appearances. They capped their run with a never-in-doubt victory over the Spartans, who got no closer than 13 points in the second half.

"We did it. But the way we did it? Isn't that great?" Green asked the crowd.

Then, the fans pleaded for Green to dance one last time, prompting fellow senior Mike Copeland to hold the back of Green's suit jacket while he danced like a puppet — the trademark move that earned him the nickname "Dancin' Danny" — to the 1990s rap song that they play before every tipoff at the Smith Center.

Later, they showed season highlights on the

arena's four video screens, located high above scoreboards that read: "Carolina 89, Mich. St. 72."

"If I'm lucky enough to coach another 20 years, it's going to be awful hard for kids to give me the memories that this club did," Williams said. "But I will always remember not just the wins. I will remember the fun, the laughs and I will remember how lucky Roy Williams was to be their coach."

This was how nearly everybody figured this season would end, yet the celebration was no less satisfying for Hansbrough, who returned for his senior season for the chance to claim the title.

North Carolina (34-4), the first unanimous preseason No. 1 in the history of The Associated Press Top 25, overcame an 0-2 start to the ACC season to claim another regular-season title and posted double-figure wins in all six of its NCAA tournament games.

"There's not much to say — we're national champs," Hansbrough said. "It's the best feeling in the world. When I come back and watch these games here at the Smith Center, I'll always look up there and remember this team and what we were able to accomplish this year."

A d d e d Frasor: "This is a storybook ending, and I couldn't ask for more."

Earlier, Williams met with a handful of rerters at the team hotel before leaving

Detroit and said he doesn't have a timetable for when juniors Ty Lawson and Wayne Ellington will decide if they will go to the NBA.

Though he hasn't spoken to them about the decision, the coach has an idea what they will do, but "not with the conviction that I had last time" when four underclassmen opted for the NBA after winning the 2005 title.

Williams said he got to bed around 5 a.m. but had so much going through his mind that he just stared at the clock until finally going to sleep around 6:30. Ninety minutes later, he was back up and doing phone interviews and getting ready to return home.

"I told the kids in '05 and last night that North Carolina basketball is Michael Jordan, Phil Ford, Coach Smith," Williams said. "And in '05, I said, 'But now North Carolina basketball is going to be you guys forever.' And that's what I told these guys last night. So that satisfaction of being involved and part of that group is something that you can't take away."

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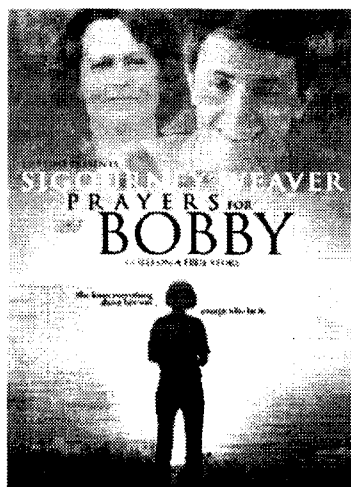
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## NBA

# Wallace scores 29 in Bobcats' win over Sixers

Smith leads Hawks in victory over Raptors; Hornets returning to playoffs after overtime win over Heat

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Gerald Wallace scored 29 points, including the final four of the game, and the Charlotte Bobcats beat the Philadelphia 76ers 101-98 on Tuesday night to snap a three-game losing streak.

Raymond Felton scored a career-high 32 points and the Bobcats recovered after blowing a 20-point lead to improve their faint playoff hopes.

Coming off their worst loss and offensive performance Sunday in New Jersey, the Sixers overcame one of their poorest starts, only to falter down the stretch.

Andre Iguodala and Willie Green missed tying 3-pointers in the closing seconds. Andre Miller had 23 points and Louis Williams scored 20 for Philadelphia, which is trying to better its playoff seeding to avoid a first-round matchup with Boston or Orlando.

Iguodala's fadeaway with 1:42 left put Philadelphia ahead 98-95. After Charlotte's Emeka Okafor hit two free throws, the Bobcats got a defensive stop, then an offensive rebound after D.J. Augustin missed a 3-point shot.

After a timeout, Felton's runner was well short, and Wallace picked off the airball and banked in a layup for an 99-98 lead with 28 seconds left.

Iguodala missed a mid-range jumper, and Wallace hit two free throws at the other end. After Iguodala missed a 3, the Sixers got the ball back after a jump ball. But Green missed a 3 from the corner, allowing the

Bobcats to finish their home schedule 23-18.

Charlotte moved within 2 1/2 games of idle Detroit for the final playoff spot with four games left. The Pistons hold the tiebreaker.

The Bobcats played their second straight game without starting shooting guard Raja Bell, who said at shootaround that his strained right calf wasn't feeling any better. Bell is likely out until next week, and could miss the rest of the regular season.

After starting Cartier Martin in Sunday's loss at Detroit, coach Larry Brown went with 6-foot-10 Vladimir Radmanovic at shooting guard after his successful stint there against the Pistons.

Radmanovic got into early foul trouble, but it didn't matter early with Felton and Wallace dominating.

Felton was knocking down jumpers while Wallace was constantly beating the Sixers off the dribble and getting to the line. Felton had 23 points in the first half and Wallace 21 as Charlotte built leads of 44-24 and 63-49 at halftime.

Green, playing with two stitches under his chin after a first-quarter collision, then led Philadelphia's third-quarter dominance. He scored 13 points in the period and Philadelphia outscored Charlotte 32-16 to take an 81-79 lead.

It was a familiar scene for the Bobcats, who blew fourth-quarter leads in each of their previous three losses and had a memorable meltdown in Washington last month, blowing a 20-point lead in a damaging

loss.

But this time Charlotte recovered, handing the Sixers their own rough defeat. Entering the night a half-game behind fifth-place Miami, Philadelphia is hoping to avoid the sixth seed and a first-round playoff matchup with one of the East's elite teams.

## Hawks 118, Raptors 110

Josh Smith had 25 points and seven rebounds, and the Atlanta Hawks used 11-for-22 shooting from 3-point range to beat the Toronto Raptors 118-110 on Tuesday night.

The Hawks (44-34), trying to secure the No. 4 seed in the Eastern Conference, also got 25 points from Joe Johnson and 17 from Maurice Evans. Mike Bibby added 13 points and 10 assists, while Al Horford chipped in 15 points and 12 rebounds.

Chris Bosh had 21 points and 10 rebounds for his eighth consecutive double-double and 40th this season, but the Raptors lost their second in a row after winning six straight.

Shawn Marion had 18 points and six rebounds, Jose Calderon added 16 points and 13 assists, and Andrea Bargnani scored 15 points for the Raptors.

Smith's block on Bargnani led to Evans's dunk, putting the Hawks up 107-100 with 4:46 remaining in the fourth quarter. Horford then stole the ball from Calderon to set up a 3-pointer by Johnson with 2:57 remaining to make it 112-102, effectively sinking the Raptors' hopes.

The Hawks went on a 14-8 run to begin the third quarter, erasing the Raptors' lead and

going up 67-65 midway through the quarter before a Toronto timeout. The Raptors trailed 85-84 going into the fourth after Smith hit a 3-pointer to put the Hawks in the lead.

The Raptors, who need to win at least three of their next five games to avoid a 50-loss season for the first time since 2005, now go on the road to play the Indiana Pacers on Wednesday before returning home to take on the Washington Wizards on Friday.

## Hornets 93, Heat 87

New Orleans is going back to the playoffs, thanks in large part to dramatics from Rasual Butler and David West.

Butler hit a game-tying 3-pointer with no time remaining in regulation, West hit the go-winning jumper with 8.8 seconds left in overtime, and the Hornets stunned the Miami Heat 93-87 on Tuesday night.

Chris Paul finished with 26 points, nine rebounds and nine assists, and Peja Stojakovic added 24 points for the Hornets (48-29), who not only clinched their postseason berth but stayed thickly in the hunt for home-court advantage in the first round of the Western Conference playoffs.

Dwyane Wade scored 32 points before getting ejected with 1.4 seconds remaining and Michael Beasley added 25 for Miami (41-37), which remained a half-game ahead of Philadelphia in the race for the No. 5 spot in the East postseason chase. The Heat fell three games behind Atlanta for the fourth seed in the East.

West scored from the top of the key, and the Heat — of course — gave the ball to Wade. But he lost the ball, never getting a shot away, and Stojakovic sealed it with a pair of free throws with 2.3 seconds left.

West finished with 20 points for New Orleans, which still could realistically finish anywhere from third to eighth in the Western Conference.

Miami was down six when Wade had a three-point play with 1:51 left. His 3-point shot tied it at 87 with 33 seconds remaining, but the Heat didn't score again.

The Heat had led for only 12 seconds all night when Wade found James Jones for a 3-pointer with 2:14 remaining in regulation, a shot that put Miami up 71-69. Wade connected with Jones again in nearly the same spot with 1:03 left, and when that 3 swished, the Heat lead was 76-72.

New Orleans wasn't finished. Paul scored with 13 seconds left to cut Miami's lead to two, and when Wade made one of two free throws with 10 seconds left, the Hornets needed a 3-pointer to tie.

Butler wound up with the ball on a broken play, and his shot from the right wing swished as time expired.

For the second straight game, New Orleans struggled to score in the first half.

Unlike Sunday's home debacle against Utah, it didn't matter.

The Hornets — who were down 66-39 against the Jazz at intermission two nights earlier — only managed 40 points in the first two quarters against the Heat. Somehow, that was good enough for a 10-point lead, as Miami sputtered through its worst first half of the season.

Miami held New Orleans to 13 points in the second quarter. Problem was, the Heat scored 11, their worst of any quarter this season, and managed only 30 points at the break. Wade was 3-for-11 and the rest of the Heat weren't much better, going a combined 9-for-24.

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## NFL

# Vick to return to Kansas

Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Michael Vick will head back to a Kansas prison after a judge rejected an effort Tuesday to keep the suspended NFL star in Virginia to work on a new bankruptcy plan.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Frank J. Santoro denied a motion Tuesday to require Vick to attend an April 28 status hearing on his case in Newport News. Vick's lawyers had hoped such an order would prompt U.S. marshals to leave him at the Western Tidewater Regional Jail in southeastern Virginia until then.

Santoro had ordered Vick to testify in person at a hearing last week, but the judge ruled Tuesday that he did not need Vick at the next hearing because no evidence will be presented. Vick and his lawyers are developing a new plan for the 28-year-old former Atlanta Falcons quarterback to pay back his creditors after Santoro rejected Vick's Chapter 11 reorganization plan on Friday.

"It just means he's going to

end up back in Leavenworth, and we'll have to deal with the case long distance," said Paul Campsen, one of Vick's bankruptcy attorneys.

Vick remained in the Suffolk jail late Tuesday afternoon, and it was unclear when he will be returning to the federal penitentiary in Leavenworth, Kan., where he is serving a 23-month sentence for bankrolling a dog-fighting ring. Vick is scheduled for transfer to home confinement in Hampton, Va., on May 21 and for release from federal custody July 20.

Vick's lawyers have frequently lamented that the distance between their East Coast offices and Leavenworth has made his case exceedingly difficult to manage. Campsen said someone from Vick's legal team will be traveling to Kansas to work with him before the status hearing.

Santoro said Friday that Vick's plan to repay his creditors was not feasible, largely because there is no assurance that Vick will be able to resume his once-lucrative NFL career. NFL

Commissioner Roger Goodell has said only that he will review Vick's status after he is released from prison.

Vick's bankruptcy plan would have allowed him to keep the first \$750,000 of his annual salary. Creditors would get part of any amount over that.

Santoro also was troubled by the plan's reliance on money from speculative film and book deals to make \$1 million in payments that will be due as soon as the plan takes effect, along with millions in other expenses Vick would soon face. he calculated that Vick would need to earn \$7.5 million to \$8 million annually to break even over the next three years.

But the only income Vick can count on in the near future is the \$10 an hour he will earn in a construction job that is part of his probation.

Santoro suggested that a new, more realistic bankruptcy plan should start with Vick selling one or both of the luxury homes and the three cars he wanted to keep.

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## NCAA BASKETBALL

## OSU's Griffin going to NBA draft early

Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — Oklahoma forward Blake Griffin will give up his final two years of eligibility and head to the NBA after a sophomore season that ended with him being recognized as college basketball's top player.

Griffin announced his decision Tuesday at a campus news conference alongside coach Jeff Capel, saying it was time to take his game to the next level.

Griffin helped the Sooners win 30 games in a season for only the fifth time in school history, shattering the school records for double-doubles and rebounds along the way.

"It's tough to walk away from something like this but at the same time, it's a big opportunity and I felt like I was ready for it this year," Griffin said.

After declaring last year that he would stay at Oklahoma for at least one more season, Griffin said he wanted to be able to contribute immediately in the NBA before he would turn pro.

For him to feel like he was "100 percent sure" that he was ready, he said he'd probably have to be in line to be the No. 1 pick in the draft.

Griffin couldn't have done much more to make his case for that spot.

He was honored by The Associated Press and several other groups as college bas-

ketball's player of the year after leading the nation with 30 double-doubles and 14.4 rebounds per game while also averaging a Big 12-best 22.7 points. In the NCAA tournament, he was even better — averaging 28.5 points and 15 rebounds to lead the Sooners to the regional finals, where they lost to eventual national champion North Carolina.


"This is the right decision. In my mind, it's a no-brainer," Capel said. "It wasn't a decision to really debate because it's the right one, and it's the best thing for Blake."

Griffin got to spend two more seasons playing alongside his older brother, Taylor, after the two teamed up to win back-to-back state championships in high school. At Oklahoma, they helped rebuild a program that was on shaky ground because of NCAA sanctions left over from Kelvin Sampson's telephone recruiting scandal.

Had Griffin decided to stay, it would have added another layer to Oklahoma's unprecedented feat of having the Heisman Trophy winner and the AP men's basketball player of the year in the same year. Sooners quarterback Sam Bradford already passed up the chance to make an early jump to the NFL after his sophomore season, and he and Griffin could have both returned for another year of college.

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## SMC GOLF

# Belles to start off conference play

By NATHANIEL LEE  
Sports Writer

The Belles will begin their conference schedule tomorrow, playing the first round of the MIAA Qualifier. Saint Mary's will play the first of three rounds of the MIAA Qualifier at Blackthorn Golf Course, with the final two rounds played April 24 and 25. This past weekend Saint Mary's withdrew from the Trine Invitational due to weather and travel issues. The Belles were in second place after one round, trailing only MIAA opponent Olivet.

"We were three strokes behind Olivet, the team we needed to beat last weekend, but we weren't playing our best," head coach Mark Hamilton said. "We are confident that everyone's form is coming together at the right time, and we can win."

The No. 12-ranked Belles, who finished second in the MIAA Championships in the fall to No. 11 Olivet, also finished second this spring at the Southwestern Invite at Georgetown, Texas. They will host the first round of the MIAA Qualifier at local Blackthorn Golf Course, and hope to seize

the opportunity playing at a familiar venue.

"In college, you don't get home matches often so we need to take advantage of that," Hamilton said. "We really need to tee-off well and get good lines in order to take the edge."

Saint Mary's has been led this spring by the trio of sophomores Rosie O'Conner and Mary Kate Boyce, and senior captain Meredith Fantom. O'Conner, MIAA conference medalist in the fall season, shot an 83 in the first round at Trine. Boyce led the Belles at the tournament with an 82, and senior captain Meredith Fantom shot an 84.

"Our top player lately has been Mary Kate Boyce, she has been really solid the last couple of weeks and we expect her to continue that," Hamilton said. "Natalie Matuszak and Rosie O'Conner have also been returning to form at the right time now, so we look to be competitive."

The nine MIAA women's golf teams will compete for the league's automatic berth in the NCAA tournament, which will be determined from the first round tomorrow and two rounds in Marshall, Mich. later this month.

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## SMC TENNIS

# Saint Mary's takes on Calvin

Team looking to improve their record above .500 for the season

By MOLLY SAMMON  
Sports Writer

The Belles will travel to Grand Rapids, Mich., on Wednesday to face Calvin in hopes of boosting their record above .500 on the season.

"I am expecting a tough match from Calvin," Belles coach Dale Campbell said. "It may be a battle of who can fight and persevere the most."

A very hard schedule in the first half of the season has given the team an extra boost as they move into this challenging conference match. This season, the Belles have played three nationally ranked teams who have prepared the team for the MIAA schedule.

"I think that playing those tough teams will give us an advantage in the long run

against some of the better teams in our conference, and better prepare ourselves for what lies ahead in the rest of the season," junior Camille Gebert said.

In terms of the competition that the Knights will provide, Calvin has put together three strong victories against Lincoln, Bryn Mawr and Aquinas.

"Our team has shown improvement in winning difficult matches," Campbell said. "I am expecting them to come out aggressive in doubles and to be focused against us."

In practice the girls have changed up their normal routine to better fit what it will take to beat Calvin, last year's conference runner-up.

"We have been working on improving our fundamentals of doubles play and trying to get off to a good start in matches," Campbell said.

There is one area of the game in particular that has been emphasized for today's match and for the remainder of the season.

"In practice we are really focusing on doubles and doubles strategy, because winning the three doubles matches is so important," sophomore Jillian Hurley said.

Last year against the Knights, Saint Mary's was unable to claim a victory, but a new team and a new approach might change the outcome this season.

"We have a much stronger team than last year, so it would be great for everyone to step it up and pull out a win," Hurley said.

The Belles will face the Calvin Knights on the road beginning at 4 p.m.

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## NFL

# Raji's agents dispute claims

Former BC player accused of failing a drug test at scouting event

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The agents representing one of the NFL draft's top prospects, defensive tackle B.J. Raji, strongly disputed a report that the former Boston College player failed a drug test at the league's scouting combine in February.

In an e-mail sent to The Associated Press on Tuesday, Brian Murphy and Mark Humenik referred to the reports as "cowardly" and "malicious," noting their client has not been notified by the NFL of any failed test.

"The media reports accusing B.J. of a failed drug test at the Combine are false," Murphy and Humenik wrote. "Given the cowardly attacks and damage to B.J.'s character as a result of these vicious rumors, we sincerely hope the responsible parties are discovered and held accountable for their actions."

Murphy and Humenik, based in Irvine, Calif., also noted that

the NFL has issued a statement challenging the report initially posted on SI.com on Thursday.

The SI.com report, which did not identify the drug, was attributed to unidentified NFL team sources. The Web site reported that Raji's name will be on a list of players who tested positive.

In a statement released by the NFL last week, the league said neither its 32 teams nor the league office know the results of drug or steroid tests taken at the combine. Instead, players who test positive are notified in writing by the independent medical advisers who perform the testing.

"Unfortunately, rumors about

draft-eligible players, including rumors about test results, begin to circulate every year at this time," the league statement said. "Many of these rumors are circulated for self-serving reasons, and they are terribly unfair to the players and their families."

Raji's agents said their client has not been contacted by the league or a medical adviser regarding a positive test.

Raji disputed the report in an interview with The Press Democrat of Santa Rosa, Calif., in a story posted on the newspaper's Web site late Monday night.

"I couldn't understand how this rumor became such a big splash in the media when there was no evidence — there was no substance to believe it," Raji was quoted as saying. "Now, I'm happy the truth is out."

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## NHL

## Hurricanes route Isles 9-0

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — The goals came in bunches for the Carolina Hurricanes. So did the records.

The Hurricanes matched a club mark with their ninth straight victory by giving the New York Islanders the worst beating in franchise history, a 9-0 rout Tuesday night.

Eric Staal had three goals and an assist, and finished with a club-record fourth hat trick of the season. Cam Ward made 12 saves in setting the team's single-season mark with victory No. 39, and he matched another club mark with his sixth shutout while helping Carolina extend its franchise-record home-ice winning streak to 12.

"We're playing the right way. We're playing at a high, competitive level, and we're playing like a well-oiled machine," Staal said. "When you're confident and when you're doing the right things, you're going to get good results and nights like tonight."

Erik Cole assisted on all three of Staal's goals and finished with four assists, while

Tuomo Ruutu had two goals and Scott Walker, Dwight Helminen, Rod Brind'Amour and Frantisek Kaberle also scored for the Hurricanes.

They led 3-0 after one period and 6-0 after two and held a 57-12 shots advantage — the widest differential in franchise history — in keeping pace with Philadelphia in the race for the No. 4 seed in the East. Both teams have 97 points, but the Flyers, who beat Florida 2-1, have a game in hand.

Yann Danis stopped just seven of 10 shots in the first period before giving way to Joey MacDonald, who made 41 saves but allowed six goals for the Islanders. Never before had they lost by more than eight goals — and they hadn't done that since losing 8-0 at St. Louis in 1988.

"It was just one of those nights when it seemed nothing was going in the right direction," Islanders coach Scott Gordon said.

The Islanders finished this one with more than twice as many penalty minutes as shots. They didn't hit double figures in shots until there were six minutes left. And by

the midpoint of the third period, they had as many shots (eight) as Carolina had goals (eight).

"I don't have any explanation," Danis said.

Anton Babchuk had four assists and Dennis Seidenberg added three for the Hurricanes. Carolina continued a push for the No. 4 seed in the East by not overlooking the NHL's worst team three nights after an emotional win over Pittsburgh that clinched a playoff spot.

"This could have been easily a game that we could have taken a night off, and the guys came in and prepared and threw everything at them," Ward said.

Their nine-game winning streak matched the mark reached twice by the 2005-06 team that won the Stanley Cup, and Ward broke the mark for victories set by that season's starter, Martin Gerber, who won 38 before Ward supplanted him on his way to the Conn Smythe Trophy.

"It's great, but the most important thing is that we're playing some good hockey right now," Ward said.

## NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Arizona hires Xavier head coach Sean Miller

Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — Arizona lured Xavier's Sean Miller to Tucson with a five-year contract that pays him a base salary of \$2 million per year plus a \$1 million signing bonus.

The 40-year-old coach was introduced Tuesday as the replacement for Hall of Famer Lute Olson at a news conference on the basketball court at McKale Center.

With his family sitting nearby and Olson looking on, Miller said it was "humbling, very humbling" to take over from a coach who had been successful for so long.

"It's also what drives you to come and take this opportunity," Miller said, "because very few programs have a single coach with the legacy that coach Olson left."

The contract includes incentives that could add as much as \$985,000 to Miller's annual salary. Those include \$175,000 for reaching the Final Four and another \$375,000 for winning the national championship.

State rules limit the length of the contract, but athletic director Jim Livengood said the school would work to add two more years to the deal after a season or two.

If Miller stays at Arizona for seven seasons, he would get a one-time payment of \$2.1 million.

The money comes from funds generated by the athletic department, including booster donations. Still, the contract must be approved by the Arizona Board of Regents.

In 23 seasons at Arizona, Olson led the Wildcats to four Final Four appearances, winning the national championship in 1997.

But Miller inherits a program that's been in turmoil for two years. Olson took a leave of absence in the 2007-08 season and was temporarily replaced by Kevin O'Neill. Olson planned to return last fall, but shortly before the season began he announced his retirement for health reasons. Russ Pennell took over as interim coach.

"I've known Sean a long time," Olson said. "I think he's a young man of great character. I think he's a community kind of guy, he's a family kind of guy, and an outstanding coach, obviously. He's stepping in to a tough situation, but I think if you look back on it, we stepped in to a tough situation, too."

The Wildcats made it, barely, to the NCAA tournament for the 25th consecutive season and made a surprising run to the Midwest Regional semifinals before being routed by Louisville.

Junior Chase Budinger announced Tuesday that he was leaving school to make himself available for the NBA draft. Fellow junior Jordan Hill is expected to do the same. Junior point guard Nic Wise

also might not be back.

Miller mentioned Wise by name when he talked about wanting a coaching staff that already knew Xavier's system.

"I want our staff to be able to teach people like Nic Wise our system," the new coach said.

When Livengood said, "I feel reasonably sure right now that we have a phenomenal head basketball coach," Miller interrupted and said, "You should be very sure."

In five seasons at Xavier, Miller compiled a 120-47 record and took four teams to the NCAA tournament. His last three teams won the Atlantic 10 championship. In 2008, his Musketeers advanced to the Elite Eight. This year's team made it to the regional semifinals, and he had potentially his best team yet coming back next season.

He said it was a wrenching decision to leave a place that meant so much to him.

There were reports that he initially turned down the Arizona job before deciding Tuesday to take it, but he said Tuesday that "I don't know if I ever said no."

"It just takes some time as the person making the decision to be able to figure out what's right, what's wrong, and take a deep breath and really reflect on it," Miller said.

"Jim was more at the mercy of me just trying to take a little bit longer, not necessarily changing my mind as much as making sure because this is a great decision. A new coach shows

up here, you want him to be ready to go.

"I know what the expectations are. I wanted to make sure I was that guy."

As for his new staff, Miller said he would wait to see if his lead assistant Chris Mack would replace him at Xavier.

"I'm hopeful that that happens. I think it would be a great choice," Miller said.

Miller said he would recruit nationally but would not rush to fill available scholarships.

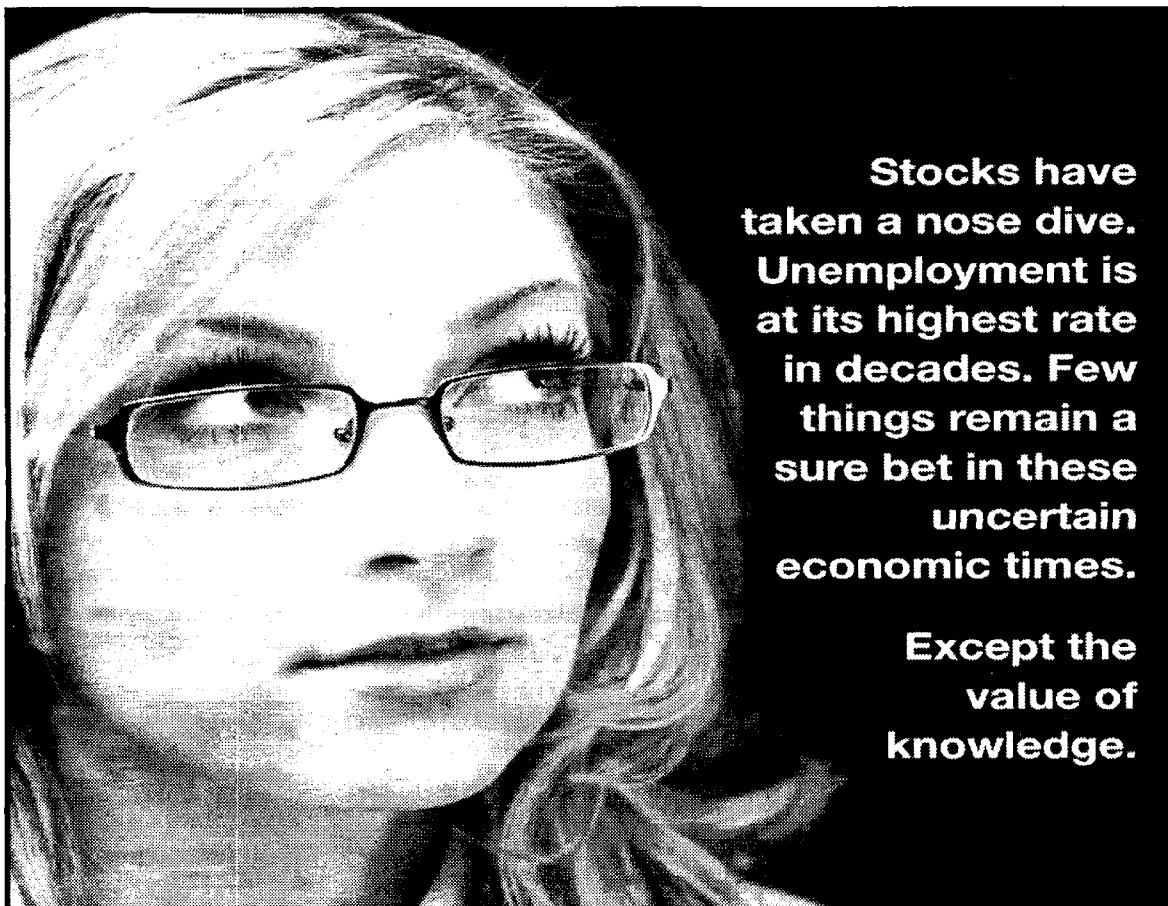
"We're going to be selective. Most importantly we have to take the players that can do what we want to do," he said. "If that's not the class of 2009, we're going to be patient and take the right ones in the class of 2010."

He said he planned to work out the remaining Arizona players over the next few days. For Wise, Miller would be his fourth coach in four seasons.

"One of the things that I take great pride in and our staff will be there's nothing more important than the players, nothing," Miller said. "It's not even close. If you treat the players the right way, they'll run through a wall for you. If you do everything you can to make sure they develop on and off the court, in return the team will build itself."

Miller recalled playing at McKale as a point guard for Pittsburgh.

"Sean Elliott had about seven dunks in a row," he said. "It was so loud in this building."



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MEN'S GOLF

# Irish seek leader at Robert Kepler

By MICHAEL BLASCO  
Sports Writer

After disappointing showings in its previous two tournaments, Notre Dame is working to put together a solid showing on Saturday at the Robert Kepler Intercollegiate at Ohio State's Scarlet Course in Columbus, Ohio.

The Irish, who played four tournaments in only 17 days last month, hit the links this weekend against softer competition than they have faced this spring.

Still, Irish Jim Kubinski is hoping that his team tees off like a team on a mission.

"I'd like to see our guys with a little more fire than we've exhibited in our last two events," Kubinski said. "We played soft the last couple of weeks. Win or lose, I'd like to see more Notre Dame spirit, more toughness."

Notre Dame opened its spring slate with solid showings over Spring Break (second at the Palmas del Mar Intercollegiate, fifth at the Border Olympics), but finished dead last at the prestigious Schenkel Invitational and were sunk by a late collapse at the FAU Spring Break Championship.

After the loss of their only senior, Josh Sandman, to injury, the Irish have featured only one

upperclassman, junior Doug Fortner, consistently in their lineup. Freshmen and sophomores have taken the lion's share of starts throughout the spring, with mixed results. Sophomore Jeff Chen and freshman Max Scodro have each had solid springs, but the team has been inconsistent on the whole.

Kubinski admitted the lack of a steady leader has been a weak spot for Notre Dame lately.

"I'm looking for someone to step up with fire and determination and say, 'Follow me. I'll show you how to win,'" Kubinski said. "We need that. A coach can set the tone but players must also push each other."

The Robert Kepler Intercollegiate features a less demanding field than the Irish have faced in recent tournaments. The 7,455-yard, par 71 course, however, is one of the toughest venues in the collegiate circuit and should give a young Notre Dame squad enough headaches.

The Irish tee off with two rounds Saturday morning, before concluding play on Sunday. The tournaments marks Notre Dame's return to the links after a two-week break.

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NHL

# Rangers improve playoff hopes

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Eastern Conference playoff race is not for the faint of heart. In the course of a night, a period, a shift, postseason hopes can go from likely to lousy.

The New York Rangers and Montreal Canadiens went head to head Tuesday night, and the fortunes of both changed in a heartbeat.

Chris Drury scored a pair of goals and the Rangers took advantage of the Canadiens' careless defense and suspect goaltending for a 3-1 victory on Tuesday night.

If New York wins either of its two remaining games against the Philadelphia Flyers — starting at home Thursday night — the Rangers will be in the playoffs for a fourth straight year.

"We're probably not going to focus on clinching. We're

just going to focus on playing a really good game and win," Henrik Lundqvist said after a 24-save effort.

The Rangers' playoff chances didn't look nearly as good just hours earlier when they limped home on a 1-3-1 skid and found themselves tied in points with the Florida Panthers at the postseason cutoff. New York had a slight edge because of one more win.

By beating the Canadiens and getting help from the Flyers, who beat Florida 2-1, the Rangers can think about catching Montreal for seventh place instead of worrying about the ninth-place Panthers.

Drury gave the Rangers a 1-0 lead in the first period and stretched their advantage to 3-1 in the second with his 22nd goal. Canadiens defenseman Mike Komisarek coughed

up the puck each time before the New York captain scored.

The Rangers (41-30-9) can even earn a playoff spot if the Panthers lose once in regulation time.

"It was a big night for us," Lundqvist said. "Going into this game we knew we had to win."

"We are going to go for it Thursday. It is a big game again. We have a great opportunity to play great now and go into the playoffs feeling really good."

Nik Antropov shook off a knee injury to get into the lineup and scored with a dive against goalie Carey Price, who played for the first time in four games following a bout with the flu and made 41 saves.

Canadiens defenseman Mathieu Dandenault scored for the second straight night in a losing cause.

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sweep, juniors Kali Krisik and Cosmina Ciobanu won 8-5.

Getting the Irish their second point, No. 36 Frilling rolled to a 6-0, 6-1 victory, and Ciobanu followed suit with a 6-1, 6-2 victory to give Notre Dame a 3-0 lead.

Before long, both Shannon Mathews and senior Katie Potts had given Notre Dame a 5-0 lead, clinching the victory and the team's 20th win against only four losses. Potts won the closest match of the day, winning 2-6, 6-4, 1-0.

Giving the Irish a sniff of a sweep victory, Krisik won in three sets, but No. 35 Tefft was upset 2-6, 6-4, 1-0 at No. 1 singles.

As Notre Dame's season nears its end, lopsided victories like this one bring promise and momentum for the postseason. The team will look to win again in similar fashion Saturday against Texas A&M in their final home match of the regular season.

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## Guerrera

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points leader with 62 this season, giving her 287 for her career.

Junior Gina Scioscia and sophomore Ansley Stewart led the Irish attack alongside Byers over the weekend. Scioscia had two goals and three assists against Cincinnati, and Stewart tallied a career-high four goals. Against Louisville, Scioscia had three goals and an assist, and Stewart scored two goals of her own.

Scioscia leads the team in points this season with 63 on 38 goals and 25 assists, and is second in the Big East in points per game.

Taking over the Irish defense this season is senior captain and preseason All-Big East team selection Shannon Burke. Burke already has posted 34 ground balls and 22 caused turnovers, leading the

team in both categories and passing her last season stats of 33 ground balls and 32 caused turnovers.

Dominating the goal for the Irish is goalkeeper Erin Goodman. The senior has made 104 saves out of 302 shots faced this season, allowing only 125 goals. Her save percentage of 45.4 percent is ninth in the Big East, two behind Orange goalkeeper Liz Hogan's 46.7 percent. Over the weekend Goodman helped the Irish defense in allowing only 13 goals in the two matches.

"It's going to be a battle this weekend. It's always a really competitive game and we're really looking forward to it," Coyne said.

Looking to keep their winning streak going over the Easter weekend, Notre Dame will face the Orange in Syracuse on Saturday at 12 p.m.

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## ND TRACK & FIELD

# Irish shuffle lineup for Ole Miss

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Sports Writer

Notre Dame will look to continue its run of solid outdoor showings as the spring season rolls on at the Ole Miss Invitational in Oxford, Miss. The strong field will provide a stiff challenge to a reshuffled Irish lineup.

Irish coach Joe Piane, in preparation for a meet at St. Antonio College in Los Angeles early next week, will field a depleted lineup for the Ole Miss competition.

"We'll do fine," Piane said. "We're taking some kids and putting them in places they haven't really competed in before. We're going to get a few more people qualified and prepared for the Big East

[Tournament]. That's our goal. That's our focus, and then after that we'll try to get some more people into the NCAAAs."

Still, the competition at Ole Miss will not let Notre Dame pick up any easy wins. A deep and talented field, headed by host Mississippi, will lineup against the Irish.

"The Ole Miss [Invitational] should be a pretty solid meet," Piane said. "Obviously we're looking out for Mississippi, among some others. It'll be a very good meet with great competition in a great venue."

The event comes after a strong opening to the outdoor season for Notre Dame, who took nine individual events at the Mike Pohlein Invitational last week.

In the women's 10,000-

meter race, sophomore Erica Watson finished first with a time of 36:48, and teammates Emily Wauford and Kari Johnson finished second and third, giving the Irish a sweep of the top spots.

Freshman Natalie Geiger also had an impressive weekend, winning the 400 and finishing fourth in the 200 sprints.

For the men, first place finishes went to the 4x400 relay team and also to freshman Jonathan Mencon in the 800.

Both the men's and women's teams have put up strong numbers in the wake of an indoor campaign that produced two Irish All-Americans.

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"Bargar has kind of been our first game girl and Jody has been the second game girl and it's really been working out for us for the most part," Gumpf said. "A lot of great teams ride one pitcher the entire year, it's awesome to be able to coach two of them. I'm expecting big-time, dominating performances from them on Wednesday."

Bargar enters today's doubleheader with an ERA of 1.70 and an opponent batting average of .224. She struck out seven last Sunday against Seton Hall.

Not to be outdone, Valdivia turned in one of her best performances of the year on Saturday. The sophomore carried a no-hitter against Pittsburgh into the fourth and finished the game with a career-high 14 strikeouts.

Despite their pitching domi-

nance, the team's greatest success this season has been at the plate, where the Irish have erupted for a combined 31 runs over their last four games.

Freshman Dani Miller and junior Christine Lux have led the charge for the Irish, coming up with clutch hits and taking full advantage of the mistakes of opposing pitchers. Miller leads the team with a .434 batting average and nine doubles, while Lux has belted eight home runs and driven in 29 runs.

"I just think they're confident right now," Gumpf said. "I don't know if it's timing or whatever you want to call it. They're swinging the bats really well and they're comfortable up to bat."

The Irish will hope to maintain that confidence at the plate when they take the field at Melissa Cook Stadium today at 4 p.m.

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## Minors

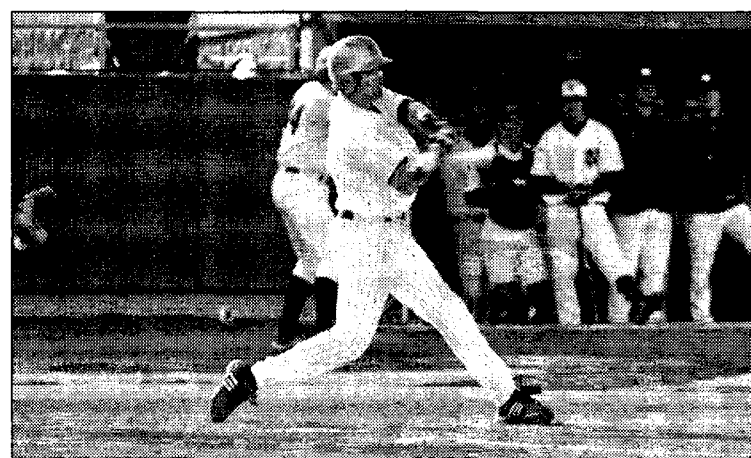
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and only one out, senior Jeremy Barnes grounded into a double play to end the first inning. Unfortunately for the Irish, that is the closest they would come to scoring again the rest of the way.

Notre Dame's offense struggles came with its inability to adjust to the professional pitching and use of wooden bats. In fact, Casey's single was the only hit recorded by the Irish in the contest.

In the bottom half of the inning, the Silverhawks wasted little time scoring four runs of their own off sophomore Todd Miller, who started the game for the Irish. Notre Dame's defense behind Miller also had a shaky inning, making two errors that resulted in two unearned runs.

After an explosive first inning, the scoring came to a halt with just one run being scored between both teams in the final



PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Junior outfielder A.J. Pollock swings against Toledo in a 11-7 victory at Frank Eck Stadium on April 1.

six frames. That run came for the Silverhawks in the third inning off freshman reliever Steve Sabatino.

Notre Dame's bullpen had a strong outing Tuesday, pitching six innings and allowing just one run on four hits. The Irish used a total of six different pitchers for an inning each in relief of Miller.

The Irish will return to collegiate play when they take on Cincinnati in a three-game set Thursday in Cincinnati. Notre Dame is currently tied for fourth in the Big East with a 5-4 record, while the Bearcats are tied for ninth at 3-6.

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## GWLL

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Charley Dickenson leads Denver with 30 points on the season, despite tallying just 10 goals. Senior midfielder Joey Murray leads the squad in that department with 20.

The Irish and Pioneers have played two common opponents on the season so far — Bellarmine and North Carolina. Denver beat the Knights 12-9, but fell to the

Tar Heels 20-7. Notre Dame, on the other hand, beat both teams 11-6 and 9-7, respectively.

A win would move the Irish to 3-0 in conference and, with only two additional GWLL games remaining, put them in very good position for the conference playoffs.

Notre Dame will face off in Denver at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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## MLB

# Keppinger leads Astros past Cubs

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Jeff Keppinger's broken-bat single in the 10th inning off closer Kevin Gregg gave the Houston Astros a 3-2 victory over the Chicago Cubs on Tuesday night.

Hunter Pence homered and Michael Bourn had an RBI single for the Astros, who carried a 2-1 lead into the eighth before Alfonso Soriano hit a long home run off LaTroy Hawkins.

Ivan Rodriguez opened the bottom of the 10th with an infield single down the third-base line, his first hit with Houston after starting the season 0-for-7. Lance Berkman followed with another single off Neal Cotts (0-1) before Cubs manager Lou Piniella brought in Gregg.

Rodriguez advanced to third when pinch-hitter Jason Michaels flied out to center. Miguel Tejada was intentionally walked, loading the bases for Keppinger, who entered as a pinch-runner in the ninth.

Acquired from Cincinnati last week, Keppinger snapped his bat and stumbled out of the box on his grounder between third and shortstop that scored Rodriguez.

Houston earned its first win of the season after the Cubs won 4-2 on Monday behind Carlos Zambrano.

Aaron Miles reached base with two outs in the top of the 10th on a throwing error by Tejada at shortstop. Doug Brocail (1-0) retired Soriano for the third out.

Astros closer Jose Valverde pitched a scoreless ninth with two strikeouts. He was helped out when Tejada grabbed a grounder by Reed Johnson, spun all the way around and threw out Johnson at first.

Soriano's homer bounced off the railroad tracks atop the wall in left-center. He also homered on the second pitch of Monday night's game.

Bourn put the Astros on top 2-1 with his RBI single in the sixth.

Pence tied it at 1 with a homer to left-center in the

fifth. It landed in a section of Berkman fans who dress up in puma costumes in honor of the slugger's nickname, "Big Puma." The group of more than a half-dozen waved the paws of their mustard yellow and white costumes and jumped around wildly as Pence circled the bases.

Kaz Matsui tripled later in the inning before Ryan Dempster walked Rodriguez. Dempster got out of the inning when Berkman struck out.

Ryan Theriot doubled and scored on a single by Derrek Lee in the third inning to make it 1-0 Cubs.

Dempster sailed through the first few innings and didn't allow a hit until a single by Tejada with two outs in the fourth.

Dempster, who had a career-high 17 wins and made the All-Star team last season, gave up six hits and two runs with five strikeouts in six innings.

Angel Guzman struck out two in a scoreless seventh for the Cubs.

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## BASEBALL

# Sent down to the minors

*Silverhawks stymie Irish in exhibition win*

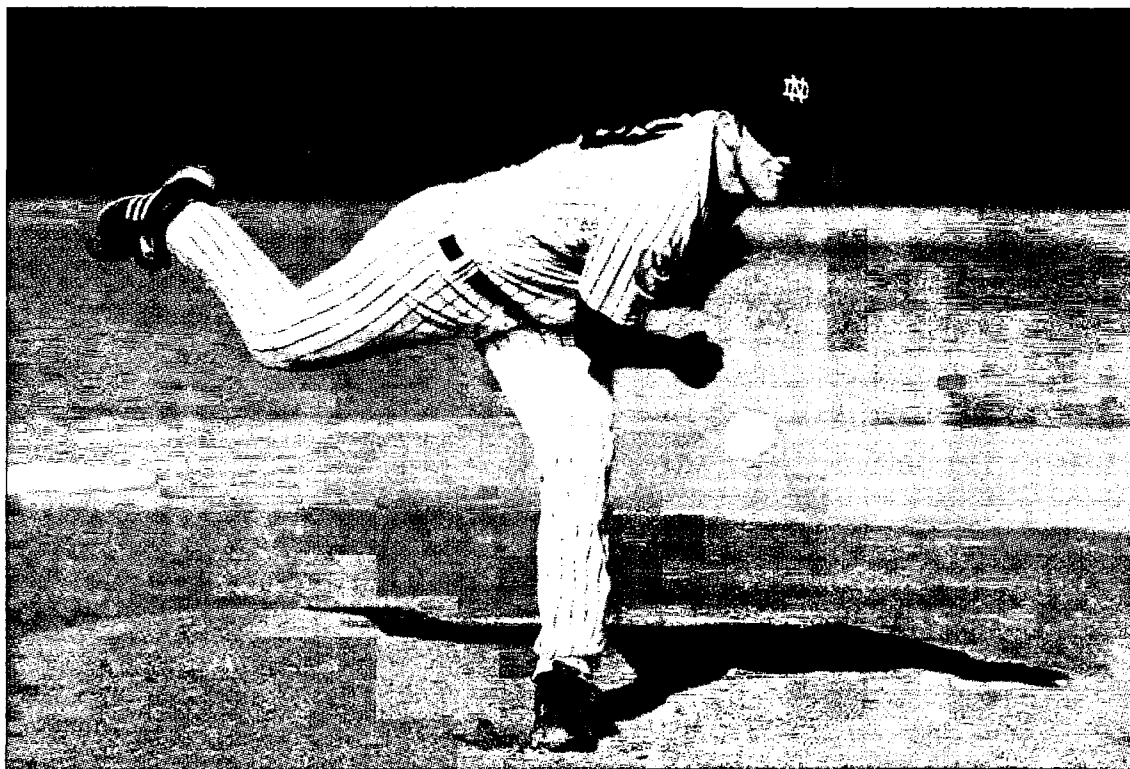
By ALEX BARKER  
Assistant Sports Editor

Despite striking first off the bat of sophomore David Casey in the first inning, Notre Dame's offensive woes resulted in a 5-1 defeat at the hands of the South Bend Silverhawks, the Single-A affiliate of the Arizona Diamondbacks, in the second annual Silver vs. Gold exhibition game.

Proceeds from the game's ticket sales were given to the Ara Parseghian Medical Research Foundation, which fights Niemann-Pick Type-C disease.

The Irish jumped on the Silverhawks in the top half of the first inning when Casey singled to right field to drive home classmate Golden Tate and give the Irish an early 1-0 lead.

With runners at the corners



Notre Dame sophomore pitcher Todd Miller delivers against Toledo in an 11-7 Irish win at home on April 1. Miller started Tuesday in the Irish's 5-1 loss to the South Bend Silverhawks.

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## ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

# Irish top Illinois 6-1 on the road

By DOUGLAS FARMER  
Sports Writer

Notre Dame reached the 20-win mark against Illinois on Tuesday. The 6-1 victory in Champagne was never in doubt.

To open the match, the Irish swept the doubles point. The team's doubles domination has been encouraging all season long and yesterday's match was no different. Junior Colleen Rielley and freshman Shannon Mathews earned the first victory 8-3. The No. 3 pairing of senior Kelcy Tefft and freshman Kristy Frilling clinched the doubles point with a 9-7 victory of their own. To take the

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## WOMEN'S LACROSSE

# Second in conference on the line as team takes on Syracuse

By MEAGHAN VESELIK  
Sports Writer

The No. 10 Irish are back on the field Saturday as they travel to Syracuse to take on the No. 8 Orange in their fifth straight Big East game.

Notre Dame (11-2, 4-1 Big East) has won its last three games, all conference

matchups, to place them in a tie for second in the conference with the Orange (9-3, 4-1 Big East).

"Syracuse is a huge rivalry, and we've never beaten them in the Carrier Dome, so I think it's time to start a new tradition," Irish coach Tracy Coyne said.

Over the past weekend, the Irish took down both

Cincinnati and Louisville, by scores of 16-5 and 20-8, respectively.

For her efforts in the victories, junior defender Rachael Guerrero earned Big East defensive player of the week honors. Guerrero had nine ground balls, two draw controls and six caused turnovers in the two games.

"Rachael [Guerrero] is a

really hard worker, very unselfish, and has definitely has worked hard to get where she is," Coyne said. "To be honored in the Big East, which is a very competitive conference, is a true testament to her hard work."

In both games, senior captain Jillian Byers led the Irish offense with six points (five goals and an assist) against

the Bearcats and seven points (five goals and two assists) versus the Cardinals. Byers' five goals at Louisville gave her 50 for the season, making her the first player in Notre Dame history to score 50 or more goals in a four seasons. Earlier this season Byers also became Notre Dame's all-time

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## MEN'S LACROSSE

# ND looks for tenth straight

By SAM WERNER  
Associate Sports Editor

The Irish will hit the road this weekend and try and run their school-record unbeaten start to 10-0 when they take on Denver in the Rocky Mountain Lacrosse Showdown at Invesco Field Saturday.

No. 4 Notre Dame (9-0, 2-0 Great Western Lacrosse League) will be playing on the road for the first time in three weeks, registering home wins over Bellarmine, Villanova and Air Force in between.

The Irish defense has been their calling card so far this season, giving up a stalwart 6.87 goals per game. The unit, led by senior netminder Scott Rodgers was especially stout Saturday against the Falcons, giving up only four goals en route to a 10-4 win.

Scoring hasn't been much of a problem for Notre Dame either. Averaging 11.56 goals per game, the Irish have four



Irish midfielder Zach Brenneman makes a run against Villanova during a 9-7 Notre Dame win on March 31.

players with over 20 points on the year, and one — senior midfielder Peter Christman — at 19. Junior attack Neal Hicks leads the team with 26 points and senior attack Ryan Hoff leads the team in goals with 18, with Hicks and jun-

ior midfielder Grant Krebs close behind at 17 each.

The Pioneers (6-5, 1-1 GWLL) rely on four players for most of their offensive production. Junior midfield

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## ND SOFTBALL

# Squad travels to face Big East leader DePaul

By CHRIS MASOUD  
Sports Writer

In the Big East, each game is just as important as the next. But when the Irish take on defending conference champions DePaul today, the outcome of the doubleheader will mean just a little bit more to a team coming into its own.

Notre Dame (21-12, 7-2 Big East) is currently riding a hot streak, having won 13 of its last 15 games to rise to third overall in the conference. The Irish are coming off an impressive weekend of play, splitting a doubleheader with Pittsburgh on Saturday and sweeping Seton Hall on Sunday.

The Blue Demons (20-8, 8-1) have picked up where they left off last season, currently sitting atop the Big

East rankings. DePaul's 22-game home winning streak just came to an end on Saturday as Seton Hall handed the Blue Demons their first league loss of the season.

Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said the team will not change its approach to accommodate DePaul's recent success.

"We prepare for all 15 teams the same way we've been preparing all year, and that's just working on the fundamentals," Gumpf said.

Led by the pitching tandem of senior Brittney Bargar and sophomore Jody Valdivia, the Irish will look to maintain their dominance on the mound against a dangerous DePaul lineup that has amassed 24 home runs this season.

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