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Maintaining identity

Religious outside Congregation of Holy Cross find niche within ND community

Editor's note: This is the third in a four-part Holy Week series focusing on the religious of Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross.

By JOE TROMBELLO
Assistant News Editor

They live in small communities, in residence halls or alone. They work as teachers, scholars, rectors and in a wide variety of other ministries. They are the Dominicans, Jesuits, Franciscans and other religious orders on campus separate from the dominant community of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

The members of other religious orders said they don't feel uncomfortable or have difficulty maintaining a sense of community with such a large body of religious on campus from an order different than their own. Many members said they actually relish the opportunity to serve at a place where their order is

not dominant, and all said that the Holy Cross order has made them feel accepted and welcome.

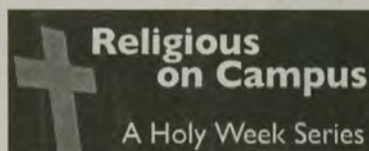
According to the Office of Institutional Research's 2003 Fact Book, 16 full-time instructional faculty in 2002 were members of the Holy Cross order. Only three full-time instructional faculty were noted as "other Catholic clergy," with one faculty member noted as "non-Catholic clergy."

Among hall rectors, 12 are members of Holy Cross, while non Holy Cross rectors include one

Carmelite, two Franciscans, three Dominicans and two members of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Despite their relative minority status, members of other orders said they have flourished on campus. Their individual stories help to form a more composite image of the religious life diversity existing at Notre Dame.

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MICHELLE OTTO/The Observer

Lyons rector Sister Susan Dunn, O.P., joins students in prayer during the campus-wide Stations of the Cross Tuesday evening.

Students consider registration tiresome

By LISA GALLAGHER
News Writer

As students continue registering for classes at Saint Mary's, many wonder why the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's procedures are different — and why many juniors and seniors at the College are left with no choice but to camp out overnight in order to sign up for classes required to graduate.

Saint Mary's maintains advanced registration in person for those students who need specific classes to complete their majors. Saint Mary's registrar Lorraine Kitchner said that under the College's current system, the only way for upperclassmen to ensure that underclassmen do not register for advanced classes in their places is to wait it out.

Kitchner pointed out that students can register for their general education and elective classes using PRISM, the online system at Saint Mary's. English department chair Max Westler explained the process of registering further.

"Seniors should have already seen their advisors," Westler said. "All others should be at their specific registration times, [ready to sign up for courses]."

Westler said that students usually begin waiting in line about a half an hour before registration actually begins. Once the line starts moving, all English majors should be finished with the registration process within another 30 minutes.

Some department chairs, on the other hand, allow students to register for their classes required for their major using the Banner system. Education department chair Dale Banks was surprised to hear not all majors had switched to using online registration.

"[We've been using] Banner since it's been around," Banks

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Cost of electronic journals rises dramatically

E-JOURNALS AT UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

\$250,000 over budget spent on journals

1,500 Cancelled Subscriptions



Source: Notre Dame Libraries

MIKE HARKINS/Observer Graphic

By LAURA VILIM
News Writer

Due to the inflation of rising costs of electronic journals, the University Libraries materials funding has seen a decrease in purchasing power over the past three years, forcing the library staff to cancel journal subscriptions in an effort to balance budget costs.

The Libraries have already made several major cancellations of journals over the past two years. Six hundred and nineteen titles were eliminated in the spring of 2002 and several hundred more were

removed from the database in the spring of 2003 for a total of over 1,500 cancelled subscriptions.

Despite these cuts, the Libraries are still paying approximately \$250,000 more for journal subscriptions than their budget allows. Hoping to manage this budget deficit, the University has allocated a one-time fund to cover these costs and is currently seeking ways that additional funds can be set aside for the Libraries in the 2004-05 academic year. This funding may provide financial

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Clinical psychologist discusses compassion in medicine

By ANDREW THAGARD
Senior Staff Writer

In a presentation that included "Far Side" comics, passages from scripture and storytelling to the beat of a drum, psychologist Dominic Vachon lectured on compassion in medicine. The Tuesday presentation, the third in the 10th annual "Mini-Medical School Lecture Series," was titled: "Transcending Suffering: Spirituality and Maintaining Compassion in the Encounter with Human Pain."

Vachon, who trains family practice residency physicians at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center and educates medical students through Indiana University School of Medicine's Department of Family Medicine, spoke of the importance of remaining passionately concerned for a patient's well-being without becoming emotionally drained in the process.

"When you really care about people it's not an easy thing," Vachon said. "[But] caring is one of the most powerful forces you can have as an ally.

Without [it] you won't last long [in health care]."

Often, Vachon said, health care professionals either care too much or too little — both of which can be detrimental to the caregiver and the patient.

By becoming over involved, Vachon explained, a person compromises the autonomy of the individual he is trying to help and suffers a "burn out." At the same time, caring too little undermines the healing process.

"When you don't care about [a person] on a deeper level

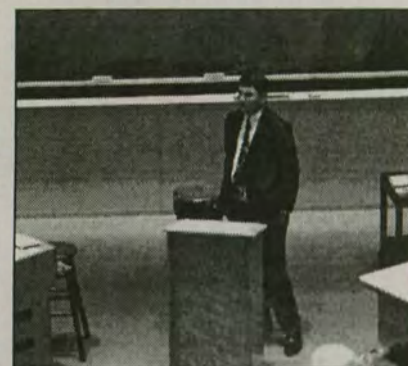
people can tell you're faking it," he said. "People get better [faster] when you care about them."

Often, however, health care providers try to disengage from their work, in effect temporarily shutting off their feelings during the day and turning them back on at home.

"It doesn't work that well," Vachon said. "When you turn them back on, you end up processing all you saw that day."

The key, Vachon said, is to

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HILLARY THORNTON/The Observer

Psychologist Dominic Vachon speaks in DeBartolo Tuesday in the Mini-Medical School series.

INSIDE COLUMN

Luck of the draw

Room selection is inherently flawed. A person can easily be screwed over by the mere randomness of which number in the lottery the Reslife computer assigns her.

It's funny, or maybe it's not, that I seem to stress over and focus so much of my energy on where luck will place me in what seems to be one of the most important aspects of college — where your room is located and what the layout of your room is.

There are a number of factors that make a room better than others.

Close to the bathroom. At least for us girls, the closer, the better. And if you're lucky enough to have your own bathroom, then you've hit it big. You ought to rejoice.

Stairs/elevator. A quick exit is nice so that when you have to move in or out, carry groceries, large books or anything else that is heavy, you can do it with ease.

Square footage. Yes, the bigger, the better. Having a large room definitely helps with having friends come over to hang, particularly when deciding what furniture to put in the room. With singles, this can cause problems, but usually a resolution can be made.


Big closet. If you're anything like me, these tiny dorm room closets suck. I need a space where I can hide my clothes quickly when people come over for a surprise visit. Besides, I have a lot of clothes and other junk that needs a spot to go.

Sink. A sink is a virtual necessity. I don't know about you, but I don't like the idea of walking down the hall to brush my teeth or other such things. Access to water is nice and having a spot to store toiletries always helps to keep things a little neater.

Location to friends. Okay, so maybe I'm being lazy here. But it is nice to be near your friends. If you're in a bad mood, you can go vent. If you're hungry, you can run to the Dining Hall, or order-in if you're really hungry.

Good view. So maybe this should be on a list of bonuses, but if you really think about it, having a good view can give relief when you're feeling down. I like to stare out the window. Well, I also like to spy, so a high traffic location can be more fun.

But whatever cardboard box or spacious parlor you end up in, I know you'll make the best of it. I was lucky this year and got almost everything I wanted in a room. Now it's time for the fun part — choosing the floor plan. So good luck on your room picks and I hope you end up as happy as I am.



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QUESTION OF THE DAY: How often do you fly out of South Bend Regional Airport?



Adrienne Allen

Senior Lyons


"Never."



Carole Kennelly

Junior Walsh


"Whenever I need to get out of here."



Claudio Guerra

Freshman Siegfried


"Who came up with this stupid question?"



John Corker

Freshman Zahm


"Never. Go Irish ... House!"



Justin Giles

Freshman St. Edward's

"About once a year."



HILLARY THORNTON/The Observer

Students parade around Notre Dame's campus Tuesday to pray the Stations of the Cross. The procession visited 13 locations on campus and ended at the Basilica to commemorate Holy Week.

OFFBEAT

Ohio priest gets probation for growing pot

AKRON, Ohio — A Roman Catholic priest received two years of probation Tuesday for growing marijuana in his church residence. The Rev. Richard Arko, 40, pleaded guilty to two counts of illegal cultivation of marijuana related to 35 plants in the rectory of Prince of Peace Roman Catholic Church.

Summit County Common Pleas Judge Patricia Cosgrove also ordered Arko to undergo random drug testing and perform 100 hours of community service. Cosgrove asked Arko why he jeopardized his career by growing marijuana. Arko said he strongly believes in the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes and has seen it benefit people with illnesses. He said he looked forward to the day when it would not be illegal.

Alleged burglar answers victim's phone

RIVERDALE, Utah — An alleged cookie-snatching burglar just couldn't help answering the phone at the victim's home — twice. Police Detective Kevin Fuller said a 23-year-old Roy man broke into a

Riverdale home Friday afternoon, and is suspected of stealing a power drill and cookies.

The man's undoing came when he answered the phone when it rang.

The caller, the homeowner's daughter, immediately hung up and called her mother to tell her someone was in the house.

Then her mother called, and the man not only answered again but identified himself as the man she kicked out of the house the previous night.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

Class registration for Fall 2004 will begin for rising juniors this morning and continue through Thursday on Irish Link.

"A Nanovic Film: Lilya 4-ever (Sweden/Denmark 2002)," written and directed by Lukas Moodysson, will be shown all day in Carey Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the Nanovic Institute for European Studies: Women in European Film — Loss, Identity, Belonging.

"Building Anti-Racist Alliances for Human Rights: Women of Color Organizing on Global Terrain in the U.S. South," will be presented by Faye Harrison, department of anthropology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville today from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. in Hesburgh Center Auditorium. The talk is part of the Lecture Series on Race in the Americas.

Come to the Coleman-Morse Lounge from 10 to 11 p.m. tonight for Interfaith Christian Night Prayer.

Join coach Muffet McGraw and the athletic department in participating with "Eric's Promise," a charity event associated with the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Donate any lightly used athletic wear at the truck available outside the JACC, gate 10, today from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

LOCAL WEATHER

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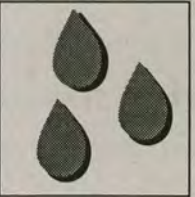
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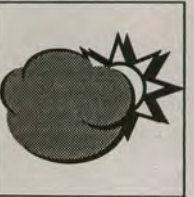
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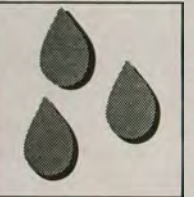












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SMC draws, loses transfer students

By KELLY MEEHAN
News Writer

As Saint Mary's draws transfer students from other colleges and universities, it also has to balance losing some of its own students who decide to transfer, typically in either their freshman or sophomore year.

The average freshman to sophomore year retention rate at Saint Mary's is between 83 and 85 percent. Due to privacy rights, it remains confidential to where students transfer, however around 50 percent claim to have transferred to another private college.

Approximately 22 percent of students transferring out of Saint Mary's in the past reported to the College their decision to enroll at Notre Dame — many citing the convenience of its close proximity.

According to Michael Gantt, coordinator of transfer admissions at Notre Dame, of the 41 Saint Mary's students who applied to transfer for the 2003 fall semester, 24 were admitted and 22 enrolled.

Gantt said there has been a slight increase over past years in the number of Saint Mary's students that apply, are accepted and eventually transfer to Notre Dame. The number of those accepted for the fall 2004 semester has not yet been determined due to a pending April 15 application deadline. The number of accepted Saint Mary's students will likely remain unknown until June, Gantt said. He also noted

the probability of the University declining business or architecture transfer students because of overcrowding in those departments.

Current Notre Dame sophomore Sarah Nelson made the decision to transfer to the University before beginning her freshman year at Saint Mary's.

"I was interested in their architecture program," Nelson said. "I was able to take the same architecture and science classes with the Notre Dame freshmen, so I really only had three classes at Saint Mary's both semesters, and I wasn't going to be able to continue the classes without transferring."

Although Nelson said she made close friends during her time at Saint Mary's, she does not regret her decision. The biggest convenience is not worrying about having to travel back and forth between campuses, she said.

Despite losing some students who decide to transfer out of the College, Saint Mary's draws approximately 45 to 50 incoming transfer students each year. The majority of those come through the Holy Cross-Saint Mary's linkage program, in which Holy Cross students take courses at the College before officially transferring, said Mary Lelik, director of institutional research.

Sophomore Nichole McCloud transferred to Saint Mary's at the beginning of this semester from Fordham University in New York.

"New York is great to visit, though quite different to live in. Thankfully I love it here even

more than I thought I would," McCloud said. "It has definitely been a positive and enriching experience, and I know it will continue to be — possibly even more so — over the next two years."

"I just wish I'd learned about Saint Mary's before I graduated [high school] ... but just the same, I love it here and definitely made the right choice."

According to Lelik, her office hopes to institute a survey for withdrawing students to indicate their reasons for leaving. The College can then define its weaknesses and make changes to increase future retention rates, she said.

"It is generally between the freshman and sophomore year when we see the greatest amounts of students leave," she said. "However, our strong graduation rate of 73 to 74 percent helps to keep us ranked No. 1 in our division on the 'U.S. News and World Report's' Best Colleges."

Freshman Lisa Teague has already decided to transfer to the University of Cincinnati next fall. Unlike Saint Mary's or Notre Dame, University of Cincinnati offers a program of dietetics that Teague hopes to choose as a major.

While students, like Teague, may transfer for academic reasons, many ultimately do so to be content in their college environment.

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MEXICO

Cleanup efforts begin after deadly flooding

Associated Press

PIEDRAS NEGRAS — Skies once filled with threatening clouds cleared and the cleanup of the destruction caused by flooding that killed 34 people got underway in this town on the U.S. border.

But even as hundreds began picking up the pieces of their damaged homes and waterlogged belongings, many of their neighbors were burying loved ones.

Bulldozers rumbled through the streets and soldiers and city employees tossed debris into garbage trucks, doing their best to pick through the rubble of toppled cars, demolished buildings and smashed furniture.

Torrential rain beginning Sunday night caused the Escondido River to overflow, triggering flash flooding that wiped out at least 100 homes and left thousands living in makeshift shelters.

Electricity had been restored to a portion of Villa de Fuente, the working class

neighborhood hit hardest by the floods, said Marcela Aguirre, a spokeswoman for Piedras Negras, a town of 200,000 some 150 miles southwest of San Antonio, Texas.

The federal government promised an initial allocation of more than \$3 million to rebuild damaged homes and replace lost belongings, Social Development Department

Josefina Vazquez announced Tuesday, after touring the washed-out area.

When 36-year-old Manuel Gallegos returned to his home Tuesday, he found the roof had been blown

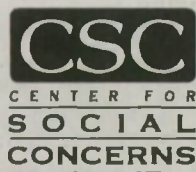
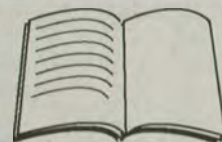
off and all that was left was a muddy table and chairs that had been scattered around.

Gallegos had shared the dwelling near the river's edge with his elderly parents and sister. The family's makeshift store, which had been part of the house, was swept away.

"We made our living from that store but all that is left is the sign," Gallegos said as he pointed to a beer sign attached to a yellow post laying on the ground.

"We made our living from that store but all that is left is the sign."

**Manuel Gallegos
flood victim**



Happenings

April 7, 2004

centerforsocialconcerns.nd.edu

Volunteer Opportunities

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

Christian Center School is seeking tutors in high school English, Physics and Math. Tutors are needed from 9am-11:45am any day of the week. Contact Gena, Sue or Mr. Barlage at 299-4253

Jumpstart is a program that brings in 2nd - 4th graders who might not have the opportunity to visit an art museum into the Snite for a tour and activity. The program is fully developed with "scripts" to be presented and transportation provided. Contact Jackie Welsh at 631-4435.

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

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

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

Experiential Learning Council Applications Due April 16

The Experiential Learning Council (ELC) is looking for a variety of officers for the upcoming school year.

If you have participated in two or more seminars (Urban Plunge, Appalachia, SSPI, Migrant Issues, Washington, Children & Poverty, ISSPI, etc.), and have an active interest in experiential learning and improving and maintaining the seminar, please consider applying.

They are seeking a variety of dedicated people from web masters to secretaries.

The application offers full descriptions of the positions available.

Applications are due April 16, 2004.

For more information, contact: Shantha Ready (sready@nd.edu) at 4-2784 or Jennifer Gaiser-Sadler (jgaiser@nd.edu) at 4-4220.

Remembering Rwanda Film

In commemoration of the 10-year anniversary of the Rwanda genocide, the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies will be showing "In Rwanda we say: the family that does not speak dies."

The film will include

discussion with professors and international students from Rwanda.

When: Wednesday, April 7 at 7:00 pm

Where: Hesburgh Center for International Studies Auditorium

Students Needed for Senior Sendoff

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

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

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

Rock the Vote Events

The Notre Dame Rock the Vote campaign will be holding two exciting events this April for students to get more involved in dialogue about the political issues of our time.

The first is a student panel on Faithful Citizenship, featuring Keri Oxley, Tom Feeney, Andrew DeBerry, Chris Broughton, Ky Bertoli and Cecilia Garza. These seniors will wrestle with the difficult questions of faith and politics.

When: Tuesday, April 20

Where: Coleman-Morse Lounge

Campus Crossfire Debate

The following night Rock the Vote will host the first ever Campus Crossfire, which will be a debate between College Democrats and College Republicans on the issues. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

When: Wednesday, April 21 at 7:00 pm

Where: Coleman-Morse Lounge

Summer Retreat with Jean Vanier

Jean Vanier, founder of International L'Arche communities, will be leading a retreat July 23-25 at Mercyhurst College in NorthEast, PA (Erie, PA) for people ages 18-25. Jean is an extremely inspiring man who will focus on "Jesus...The Revelation of God's Love." This retreat is highly recommended for all connected with the Center who would like to reflect more deeply on the relationship of faith and service. Most likely, this will be the last retreat that Jean Vanier will give in the United States - thus, it is an opportunity of a lifetime. Applications are available from Andrea in room 120 of the Center for Social Concerns. There will be a van going from Notre Dame, for those who will be in this area in July. Jean Vanier is one of the recipients of the Laetare Medal from Notre Dame, the highest award given by the University.

Registration

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said.

Still, education majors meet with their advisors prior to accessing Banner in order to make sure they are on track with their requirements.

The chemistry department does not have advanced registration, Kitchner said, mainly because it is not as popular of a major.

While each department at Saint Mary's has a different process of allowing juniors and seniors to register for classes required for their majors, many agree that web registration for all classes would be beneficial.

Westler would "like to see online registration if the College decides to boost in this direction."

"Students would prefer [web registration]," Spaulding said.

Notre Dame began web registration through IrishLink in the fall of 2001. Notre Dame associate registrar, Lora Spaulding said the main reason web registration was created was for the convenience of the students.

"We had been wanting to switch to [web registration] for quite some time," Spaulding said, "but it took a long time before the system was secured."

In the fall of 1989, Notre Dame students were encouraged to use a phone dial-up service or kiosk to sign up for their spring 1990 courses. That was followed by a one-year temporary registration system in which students used terminals in the basement of the Hesburgh Library before the switch to IrishLink.

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Former abused child leads reform campaign

Associated Press

CRYSTAL RIVER, Fla. — Ashley Rhodes-Courter, full of poise beyond her 18 years, pauses among the cardboard boxes and piles of documents that occupy a corner of her adoptive family's spacious home on Kings Bay.

"This is my life," the high school senior said, frowning down at the reams of paper generated during her decade in Florida's beleaguered foster care system.

The state took her from her drug-abusing mother at age 3. Before she was plucked out of a Tampa orphanage by a couple of empty-nesters six years ago, Rhodes-Courter had lived in 13 different homes, most for less than nine months.

Some of the places were OK. In others she faced neglect and overcrowding. In one, physical and mental abuse was routine.

"There were times I was ripped off the top bunk by my hair and thrown to the ground and kicked," she said. "We always had bruises and marks."

Her experiences drive a desperate desire to make a difference now for kids left in the system.

"Kids that come out of the system, particularly those who are adopted at an older age, they don't fare very well," Rhodes-Courter said. "They can't really tell about what happened. They don't really have any credibility. Their

grades are poor, they act out, they end up in juvenile detention centers.

"I came out the exact opposite. I think I'm pretty credible. I can speak a coherent sentence, and I can do these things. I think it's really powerful, and I think I scare a lot of people."

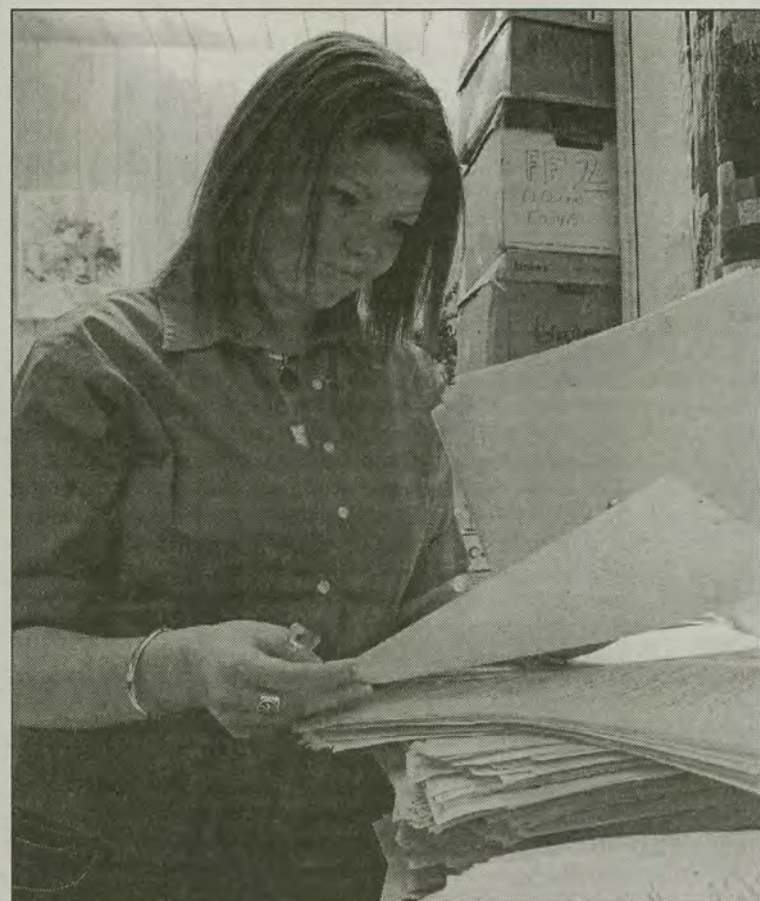
Rhodes-Courter sued the state of Florida and its Department of Children & Families caseworkers for placing her in dangerous homes. The lawsuits, and another against the former foster couple who abused her, were settled out-of-court with undisclosed payments last year, money that she'll use for college.

The articulate honor student also has become a sought-after public speaker for child advocate groups around the country.

Rhodes-Courter, who will graduate from Crystal River High School in May, is spending much of her spare time this spring poring over documents in preparation for a book she's writing with her adoptive mother, Gay Courter, a best-selling novelist. Prospective publishers staged a bidding war for the memoirs.

Negotiations for a feature film — she calls it "an Antwone Fisher meets Erin Brockovich kind of thing" — are in the works.

The teen has won scores of awards, spoken to U.S. senators and congressmen and met President Clinton. Recently she



Activist Ashley Rhodes-Courter looks over documents from a decade of being in the state's foster care system at her home in Crystal River, Fla.

told her story on Montel Williams' daytime talk show.

Last summer she won first place among 3,000 entrants in a New York Times Magazine high school writing competition. Titled "Three Little Words," her poignant essay described the doubt and emo-

tional ambiguity she felt on adoption day in 1998.

She described in the essay her mistreatment in the system and recounted seeing other kids adopted only to be returned to foster care because they were damaged goods.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Prisoners hold TV crews hostage

QUITO, Ecuador — In the midst of a national strike by prison guards, inmates in Quito's women's prison took two television news crews hostage Tuesday to press their demands for shorter sentences and better living conditions.

The standoff was one of several protests by inmates around the country in the last three days after guards in Ecuador's 34 prisons went on strike March 22 demanding \$10 million for improvements and back pay. Inmates have been largely left on their own inside the prisons, receiving sporadic food shipments from the government and meals passed to them by police and relatives.

National Prison Director Fernando Cassis said Tuesday that the government was doing all it could to end the protests and the strike. The TV crews from channel 4 and channel 10 reported that three reporters and three cameramen from their stations who had entered in the morning to interview the women were prevented from leaving.

Former interior minister arrested

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide's interior minister was arrested Tuesday on suspicion of orchestrating the killings of several people presumed to be Aristide opponents, officials said.

The arrest of Jocelerme Privert — the highest ranking official to be detained since Aristide's departure on Feb. 29 — comes as former government leaders and members of Aristide's political party have complained that Haiti's interim leaders are targeting them. Privert was accused in the mid-February killings of several suspected Aristide opponents in St. Marc, a northern port city.

NATIONAL NEWS

Fla. proposes licenses for aliens

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Gov. Jeb Bush endorsed a bill to allow illegal immigrants to get driver's licenses, saying they are in the state anyway and officials should accept that fact. The bill he is backing has enough safeguards that it would ensure terrorists are not getting licenses, Bush said Monday.

"We shouldn't allow them to come into the country to begin with, but once they're here, what do you do? Do you basically say that they're lepers to society? That they don't exist?" he asked. "A policy that ignores them is a policy of denial."

The issue comes up just four months after California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, fulfilled a major campaign promise by repealing a law that would have allowed an estimated 2 million illegal immigrant drivers there to begin applying for licenses.

Feds mull expanded drug testing

WASHINGTON — The hair, saliva and sweat of federal workers could be tested for drug use under a government policy proposed Tuesday that could set screening standards for millions of private employers. The proposal will expand the methods to detect drug use among 1.6 million federal workers beyond urine samples. The rule is subject to a 90-day public comment period. A final plan could be issued by year's end.

STATE NEWS

Monastery receives \$26 million gift

ST. MEINRAD, Ind. — Two women rewarded the hospitality of Benedictine monks by bequeathing more than \$26 million to a monastery in southern Indiana.

Bernice Davey, 90, and Virginia Basso, 91, both had spoken of contributing to the monastery northeast of Evansville. But the amount of the gifts — more than \$13 million from each of the women's estates — surprised St. Meinrad officials. The monastery is home to about 120 monks.

IRAQ

Twelve Marines killed in Ramadi

Violence spreads to several Iraqi cities, U.S. Marines launch string of attacks

Associated Press

NAJAF — Insurgents and rebellious Shiites mounted a string of attacks across Iraq's Shiite south and U.S. Marines launched a major assault on the turbulent Sunni city of Fallujah on Tuesday. Up to a dozen Marines, two more coalition soldiers and at least 66 Iraqis were reported killed.

Troops were battling in several cities on two fronts in some of the most extensive fighting since President Bush declared major combat over on May 1. U.S. forces fought insurgents in Sunni triangle cities of Fallujah and Ramadi west of Baghdad, and coalition troops battled Shiite militiamen of radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr in the south.

Reports from Ramadi, near Fallujah, said dozens of Iraqis attacked a Marine position near the governor's palace, a senior defense official said from Washington. "A significant number" of Marines were killed, and initial reports indicate it may be up to a dozen, said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Heavy casualties were inflicted on the insurgents as well, officials said. It was not immediately known who the attackers were, nor whether the attack was related to fighting under way in nearby Fallujah.

Depending on the number of Ramadi deaths, Tuesday's casualties could have brought the three-day total as high as about 30 Americans and more than 130 Iraqis killed in the fighting.

On the Fallujah front, Marines drove into the center of the Sunni city in heavy fighting before pulling back before nightfall. The assault had been



AFP

U.S. Marines advance during a battle with insurgents on the outskirts of Fallujah, Iraq on Tuesday. The day was marked with increase violence throughout southern Iraq.

promised after the brutal killings and mutilations of four American civilians there last week. Hospital officials said eight Iraqis died Tuesday and 20 were wounded, including women and children.

Marines waged a fierce battle for hours Tuesday with gunmen holed up in a residential neighborhood of Fallujah. The military used a deadly AC-130 gunship to lay down a barrage of fire against guerrillas, and commanders said Marines were holding an area several blocks deep inside the city. At least two Marines

were wounded.

U.S. warplanes firing rockets destroyed four houses in Fallujah after nightfall Tuesday, witnesses said. A doctor said 26 Iraqis, including women and children, were killed and 30 wounded in the strike. The deaths brought to 34 the number of Iraqis killed in Fallujah on Tuesday.

The dusty, Euphrates River city 35 miles west of Baghdad is a stronghold of the anti-U.S. insurgency that sprang up shortly after Saddam Hussein's ouster a year

ago.

"We are several blocks deep in the city of Fallujah," Marine Maj. Briandon McGowan said. He said several helicopters were hit by small arms fire, but none were downed. He said Marines had detained 14 people since Monday.

U.S. Marines encircled Fallujah early Monday, and on Tuesday, they penetrated several central neighborhoods for the first time. Mortar and rocket-propelled grenade blasts were heard, and one witness said a Humvee was ablaze.

Derailed train kills one, injures 80

Associated Press

YAZOO CITY, Miss. — An Amtrak train derailed in rural central Mississippi late Tuesday, killing at least one person on board and injuring dozens.

"We have one confirmed dead and we've got possibly 80 injured," said Amy Carruth, a spokeswoman for the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency in Jackson. "We understand some of the injured are possibly critical."

Meanwhile, Gov. Haley Barbour declared a state of emergency and said in a statement that rescuers on the scene believed the number

of injured could be as high as 90.

At least one Jackson hospital reportedly received a number of the injured but officials declined to release details.

Dan Stessel, a spokesman for Amtrak, said nine of the train's cars left the tracks about 25 miles north of Jackson and toppled onto their sides. He said the train's manifest showed 72 passengers and 12 crew members.

Carruth said her agency "was sending every resource we can get our hands on out there. ... At last report we've still got people trapped."

Besides search teams, portable lights and other equipment were

being rushed to the scene, she said. Red Cross staffers were on hand to assist passengers.

Yazoo County sheriff's dispatcher Mary Whisenton said at least five ambulances had also been sent to the scene.

Stessel said he had no information on what caused the accident.

The train was traveling from New Orleans to Chicago when it left the tracks at about 7 p.m. near the Yazoo-Madison county line, authorities said.

Stessel said the train made several stops after leaving New Orleans about 1:55 p.m., including Jackson. He said the train derailed before its scheduled stop in Yazoo City.

Religious

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ND's Dominican community

Sister Mary Catherine Hilkert, professor of theology, said that Dominicans cannot easily be classified into a particular mold.

"[The expression,] 'when you've met one Dominican you've met them all' [isn't true]," she said. "[It's] not like a cookie-cutter mold."

Hilkert said she was drawn to the order by the people she's met, including the Dominican sisters who taught her in high school.

"Later, in my order, [I was attracted to] the love of the word of God," she said.

Hilkert said the Dominican emphasis on scholarship, study and preaching resonated with her own interests. She has written a book on one of her favorite Dominicans, Saint Catherine of Sienna, and teaches undergraduate courses titled "Jesus and Salvation" and "Feminist and Multicultural Theologies."

Hilkert said she does not feel threatened by the majority presence of Holy Cross religious and believes the divergence of orders is positive.

"It's a gift to Notre Dame — the more diversity and the more orders," she said. "I personally feel very welcome ... I don't even think of myself as non-Holy Cross."

Hilkert said that she doesn't see any competition among religious orders, and she believes each order brings its own unique gifts to campus. At the same time, however, she said that she would like to see more opportunities provided to women within the Church and said a link to Notre Dame religious life on the University web site could be more descriptive and inclusive of other orders.

"There are many ways in which women's gifts to the Church need to be more recognized. That's not just an issue here," she said. "It will be a much fuller Church when we treasure the gifts of everyone."

Hilkert said she feels a "sense of shared family spirit" with Dominicans no matter where she finds them and noted that she and the seven other Dominicans on campus meet often to re-connect.

"We're trying to find creative ways to make time and get together," she said.

Hilkert said she considers

Dominican sisters at Saint Mary's to be "an extended community" and gathers each Sunday with a group of Dominicans, as well as other religious and lay people, to attend Mass at Saint Mary's and converse over coffee.

Religious in the residence halls

In addition to scholarship and teaching, religious at Notre Dame also participate in campus life by serving as rectors in residence halls. Many of these rectors of other religious orders said they fulfill their ministry by interacting with students in a residential setting.

"We try to proclaim God's word through our presence in the hall, in the way we talk to residents," said Sister Susan Dunn, a Dominican and rector of Lyons Hall. "It's a wonderful privilege to be in the hall, to be a pastoral presence in a day-to-day sense, and I think my colleagues feel the same."

Dunn said she and other rectors gather every Tuesday night and take turns hosting each other in their respective halls. Since the rectors comprise religious of a variety of orders, as well as lay people, the gatherings provide an opportunity for conversation with fellow Dominicans as well as members of other orders.

"You get the sense that there are communities that are like circles that interact at certain times," she said.

Dunn said that in addition to the rector meetings, she and other Dominicans gather together on feast days for "prayer and community." Dunn also participates in meetings with women religious who meet to "talk about leadership ... [and other issues] that would be of similar interests in all congregations."

Dunn said she feels very comfortable with her Holy Cross colleagues.

"I feel that I have been welcomed and affirmed," she said. "I think we all consider it a gift to minister with Holy Cross."



MICHELLE OTTO/The Observer

The "Nuns on the Run Plus Some" Bookstore Basketball team huddles before play Tuesday. The team includes Sisters Sue Bruno, far left, and Sue Dunn, middle, rectors of Pasquerilla West Hall and Lyons

Jesuits on campus

As one of three Jesuits on campus, not including graduate students, Father Brian Daley, a professor of theology, said he has never felt uncomfortable being surrounded by a majority of Holy Cross members. In contrast, he said he feels that his minority status helps him in his ministry.

"It seems to give me a great opportunity to do characteristically Jesuit ministry in a way that wouldn't be as easy as in an institution where there are a lot of Jesuits," he said. "As somebody whose [order] is ... not in the power structure, I feel I can be helpful to people pastorally in a

way that might be more difficult [for a Holy Cross member]."

Fellow Jesuit Father Joseph Weiss, administrative director of the Institute for Church Life, agreed.

"It's good for Jesuits to have the experience of being a minority rather than a majority," he said.

Despite their agreement on this issue, both Weiss and Daley have different views with respect to a sense of Jesuit community. While Daley lives in a house with a fellow Jesuit, Weiss chooses to live alone.

"We maintain our identity through companionship, not necessarily through living in the

same place," Weiss said. "It's really the spiritual bonds that hold Jesuits together, not so much a place or a particular work."

Daley said that living in a community with other Jesuits is essential for maintaining his sense of community. It also improves his ability to minister.

"I do feel that the practice side is good but the companionship ... is essential to finding God," he said. "If you live with other people ... it makes demands on you. It calls you to live a religious life more seriously."

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Up: 1,216	Same: 140	Down: 2,105	Composite Volume: 1,398,110,464

AMEX	1,265.39	+2.52
NASDAQ	2,059.90	-19.22
NYSE	6,694.14	-20.95
S&P 500	1,148.16	-2.41
NIKKEI(Tokyo)	12,013.46	-66.24
FTSE 100(London)	4,472.80	-7.90

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
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SUN MICROSYS (SUNW)	-2.83	-0.14	4.80
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	-0.58	-0.151	25.80
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-0.64	-0.16	24.65

Treasuries			
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IN BRIEF

Lucent fires execs for bribery

NEWARK, N.J. — Telecommunications gear maker Lucent Technologies announced Tuesday it is firing four executives at its unit in China after finding possible violations of U.S. bribery laws.

Lucent said its investigation in China was among two dozen done at its foreign operations, prompted by bribery allegations involving its Saudi Arabian unit, which the company disclosed in August.

The company said it "found incidents and internal control deficiencies" in its operations in China that potentially involve Foreign Corrupt Practices Act violations. The nature and specifics of the potential violations were not disclosed. The Murray Hill-based company said it gave the findings to the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Department of Justice.

Eddie Bauer up for sale by Spiegel

CHICAGO — The Spiegel Group is looking for a buyer for its Eddie Bauer clothing and home furnishing business after German billionaire Michael Otto was unable to reach a deal to retain control of the company.

The Spiegel Group filed for Chapter 11 protection in March 2003.

With 440 stores, catalogs and online sales, the Eddie Bauer division accounted for \$1.3 billion of Spiegel's \$1.77 billion net sales in 2003.

News Corp., FOX to move to U.S.

NEW YORK — Nearly 20 years after Rupert Murdoch gave up his Australian citizenship to become an American, the media conglomerate he controls is following suit.

By the end of the year, News Corp. — owner of the Fox network, Fox News Channel and the 20th Century Fox movie studio — will move its home base from Australia to the United States in a bid to appeal to a wider base of investors. Its primary stock listing will also move to the New York Stock Exchange from the Australian exchange.

Microsoft will appeal EU fine

Company calls \$615M antitrust fine unprecedented, attack on U.S. industry

Associated Press

BRUSSELS, Belgium — In a preview of its promised appeal, Microsoft Corp. accused the European Union on Tuesday of overreaching by including its U.S. business in calculating a record fine of about \$615 million for alleged antitrust abuses.

With the EU decision due Wednesday, trans-Atlantic tensions also began to sizzle as they did the last time the EU took on U.S. corporate giants in the ill-fated GE-Honeywell merger.

"This ruling is yet another example of the EU assaulting a successful American industry and policies that support our economic growth," said U.S. Sen. Patty Murray, a Democrat from Microsoft's home state of Washington.

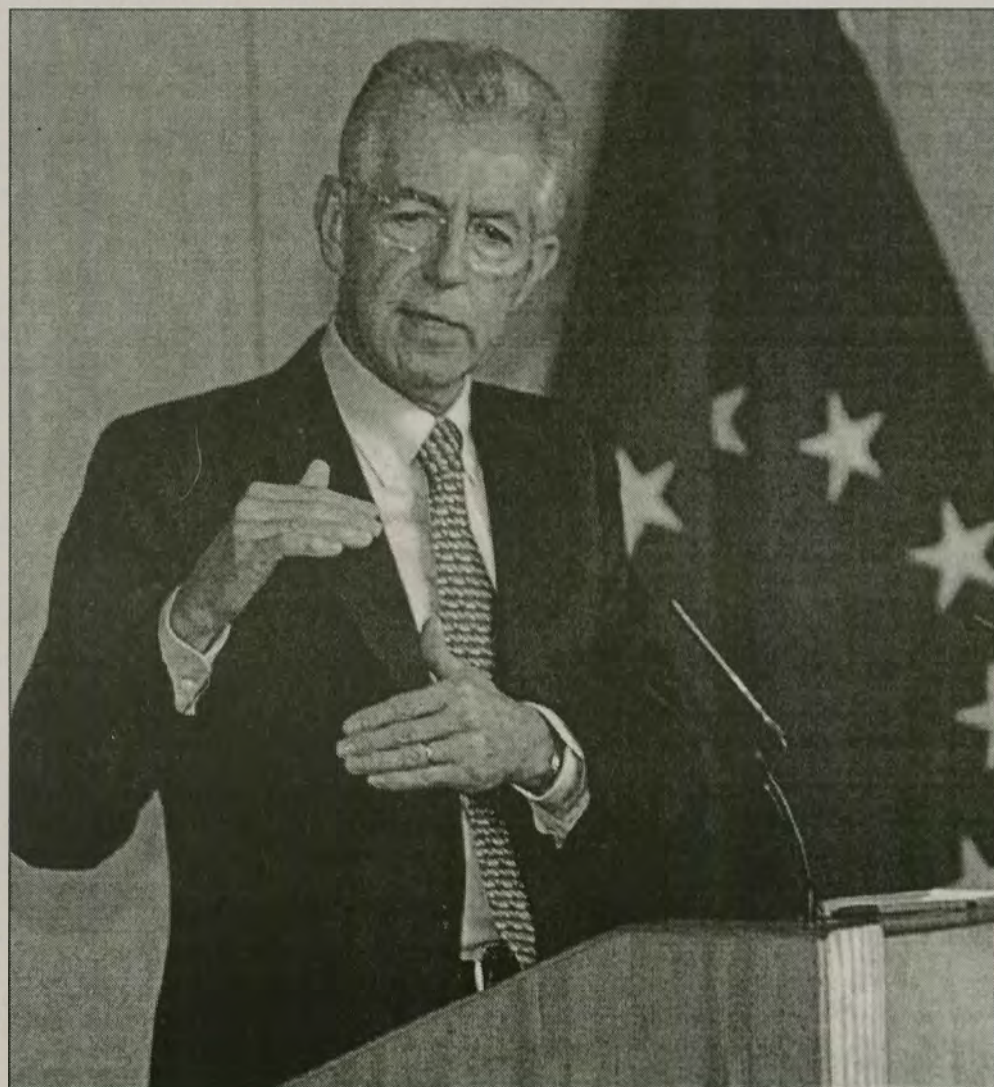
The software giant's chief European lawyer, Horacio Gutierrez, argued that the EU's fine appeared to have been doubled from what it should have been under the European Commission's guidelines to account for the company's global operations.

Microsoft does about 30 percent of its business in Europe.

"We believe it's unprecedented and inappropriate for the Commission to impose a fine on a company's U.S. operations when those operations are already regulated by the U.S. government," Gutierrez said. "The conduct at issue has been permitted by both the U.S. Department of Justice and a U.S. court."

The company also argued it could not have known its behavior would infringe EU law and thus it should not be fined at all.

EU Competition Commissioner Mario Monti "has said clearly the reason he wants a decision is to get a precedent, so clearly there isn't one currently," said Microsoft spokesman Tom Brookes.



EU competition commissioner Mario Monti of Italy gives a press conference at EU headquarters in Brussels March 24, announcing a record-breaking \$615 million fine against U.S. software giant Microsoft for breaking EU competition law.

Commission spokeswoman Amelia Torres declined to comment, saying Monti would address questions Wednesday at a news conference after the Commission adopts the ruling.

Sources familiar with the five-year-old case say the EU ruling finds Microsoft abused its Windows monopoly, harming consumers and competitors in the markets for digital media and server software.

Microsoft was found guilty of similar monopolistic behavior in the U.S. antitrust case but settled in late 2001 with the Bush administration. A U.S. appeals court is currently

considering whether that landmark deal was adequate to restore competition.

U.S. firms that do significant business in Europe also are subject to EU law, which authorizes the Commission to levy fines for antitrust violations of up to 10 percent of a company's global revenue.

Representatives from the 15 EU governments approved the fine Monday. A source familiar with the case, but speaking on condition of anonymity, said Tuesday it was around \$615 million.

Given Microsoft's cash reserves in excess of \$50 billion, experts say the fine is less significant than the

changes Monti is seeking in how Microsoft sells Windows, which runs most personal computers worldwide.

The EU is expected to order Microsoft to release more of the underlying Windows code to rivals in the server market, and deliver a version of Windows without its Windows Media Player software in Europe to help competing products reach desktops.

Antitrust lawyers call Microsoft's latest arguments unsurprising.

"It's unprecedented but not necessarily wrong," said Martin Baker, chief antitrust partner at Taylor Wessing in London.

Lilly gifts \$6M to former patent critic

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — A medical research foundation that settled a \$100 million drug patent lawsuit against Eli Lilly and Co. a year ago found itself on the receiving end of a \$6 million gift from the drug maker Tuesday, with past harsh words replaced by mutual praise.

The money to create two endowed faculty chairs in biomedical research is the largest gift in the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation's 58-year history, said Adam Cohen, director of legal and public affairs.

"We view this as an incredibly generous gesture by Eli Lilly," Cohen said.

The gift continues a partnership of more than two decades between

Indianapolis-based Lilly and the non-profit foundation in research on blood and cardiovascular diseases.

But research by two foundation doctors into a blood poisoning treatment led the foundation more than two years ago to sue Lilly in a complaint that sought \$100 million in damages. The patent infringement lawsuit contended the doctors' work helped lead to the development of Xigris, a drug Lilly introduced in November 2001 to treat life-threatening blood infections.

The foundation argued it was owed an upfront payment for Xigris' development plus a share of sales. Lilly contended it took financial and scientific risks to develop Xigris, and should reap the rewards.

At the time, the foundation's president, Dr. J. Donald Capra, was quoted as saying, "If Eli Lilly wins, that will send a signal to scientists not to trust big pharmacy companies."

In a Tuesday news release announcing the \$6 million gift, Capra credited Lilly with making "an extraordinary investment" and said the foundation was "deeply grateful to Lilly for its generous support of OMRF's efforts to recruit and retain world-class scientists."

"This gift salutes our teamwork, and we are confident it will help find treatments and cures for some of today's most challenging medical problems," said Dr. J. Anthony Ware, a Lilly vice president.

E-Journals

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solvency for this year, but it will not fix the long-term underlying problems that plague the Libraries.

The problem of inflationary costs for electronic journals was unforeseen in the early 1990s when technological advances made electronic library resources available over the Internet. For the first time, students, faculty and staff members of major universities, including Notre Dame, had new and unique access to periodicals and journals that were not available in print. They became a vital tool in conducting research in all academic departments.

The foundation for the current trouble was also laid in the 1990s when commercial publishers of electronic journals and university research libraries began negotiating deals to provide access to as many subscriptions as possible for the lowest possible cost. Several years ago, Notre Dame joined the Northeast Research Library Consortium (NERL), a group that represents Ivy League research libraries in order to take part in these journal deals.

According to electronics resources librarian Carole Pilkinton, one of the most expansive deals negotiated was with Elsevier, the largest commercial publisher of electronic journals. Under the plan, members of the NERL continued to pay for the Elsevier journals to which they were already subscribing, but also received hundreds of other journals free. At Notre Dame, the University Libraries were subscribing to 400 journals prior to the Elsevier deal. After the deal, they gained access to another 800 journals with the cost of this new package amounted to the same as the previous one.

Initially, this arrangement proved to be beneficial for the University Libraries. Almost immediately, every academic department received new journal resources that filled the gaps in their previous collection. In addition, the deal put a cap on the quickly rising inflation rates and charged only a cross-access fee instead of the entire cost for subscriptions.

"At first glance, it sounds like a very good deal," Pilkinton said. "[But] when times are tough, all of a sudden, people look at things in a harsher way."

In times of economic hardship, as in the years of 2001 and 2003, or during budget cuts, libraries cannot afford to pay for as many subscriptions to journals as in other years, yet the cost of the journals continues to rise. For example, the cost of journals has increased by an average of 9 percent a year since 1986 while the consumer price has only increased by 3.4 percent yearly.

At Notre Dame's University Libraries, the annual library budget did not receive an increase in funding for two years. The following year the budget was cut by 5 percent and funding from endowments decreased by another 3.5 per-

cent. At the same time, inflation on electronic periodicals increased ten percent so that the five percent cut in budget actually amounted to a decrease of about 15 percent.

In addition to these economic difficulties, further hardships have arisen as a result of the stipulations placed on the Elsevier deal at the time it was negotiated. While the stipulations appeared harmless at the time, they have come to become negative consequences not only for Notre Dame, but also for research libraries across the country. The transaction with Elsevier prohibits participating universities from canceling any journal subscrip-

tion from the original package at the beginning of the agreement. For Notre Dame, this means that it cannot cancel any of the original 400 subscriptions without negating the Elsevier deal and losing the 800 free jour-

nals.

Because the cost of these 400 journals has risen exponentially at the same time the University Libraries budget has been cut, Notre Dame can no longer afford to keep all of its current subscriptions. Faculty members understand this crisis and are willing to cut back on the amount of journals to which they subscribe. Some of the journals they use though, are the ones under the Elsevier deal that cannot be cancelled. This creates another problem

that the University Libraries are then forced to keep journals that are not often used while they must cancel those subscriptions that are important but not covered under the deal.

Pilkinton said the University Libraries are now trapped in a difficult position. If they choose to end the contract with Elsevier, they lose the journals that allow students and faculty to conduct such extensive research. If they chose to continue with the contract, they lose solvency and risk long term budget deficits.

"It's definitely a tug of war right now," she said. "This economic model is not sustainable."

According to Pilkinton, the University administration is aware of both the economic hardships that the University Libraries are facing and the importance of having electronic journal access for students. With other departments facing budget cuts, there is little that can be done to increase funding for electronic journals.

"There is only so much money no matter what," Pilkinton said. "[The deal] has caused budget inflexibility."

There is no question that the journals are a staple of academic research on campus. Nearly 330,000 full text articles were accessed between the months of July 2003 and February 2004 alone. The question is rather how any university can continue to cover the ever increasing costs of education on a fixed budget.

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Medical

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take a holistic approach. By paying attention to their own health and wellbeing, working to understand the patient and embracing a spirituality or philosophy of care giving, health care professionals can achieve a successful balance, he said.

People can be compassionate without religion and spirituality, Vachon added. But having these allows a person to better understand the root of that compassion and more effectively channel it toward helping others and achieving personal growth.

"You can exercise without knowing physiology but if you know a little physiology it can help you exercise more smartly," he said. "The more you know, the more you can use it to your benefit."

A spirituality of caring can provide insight into God's awareness of suffering and his involvement in the healing process. It also provides a way

of approaching suffering without being "swallowed up" by it, Vachon said.

The process, however, takes time, he said, warning people that there's no such thing as "fast food" spirituality.

Vachon received his bachelor's degree and Master's of Divinity from Notre Dame. He earned a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from Loyola University of Chicago. He is the founder of the Institute for the Support and Study of the Caring Professions, a private consulting practice that offers programs for healthcare organizations.

Next week, Dr. Gerardo Gomez, a surgeon and associate professor for the Indiana University School of Medicine, will deliver a presentation on obesity and bariatric surgery in the fourth installment of the

"When you don't care about [a person] on a deeper level people can tell you're faking it. People get better when you care about them."

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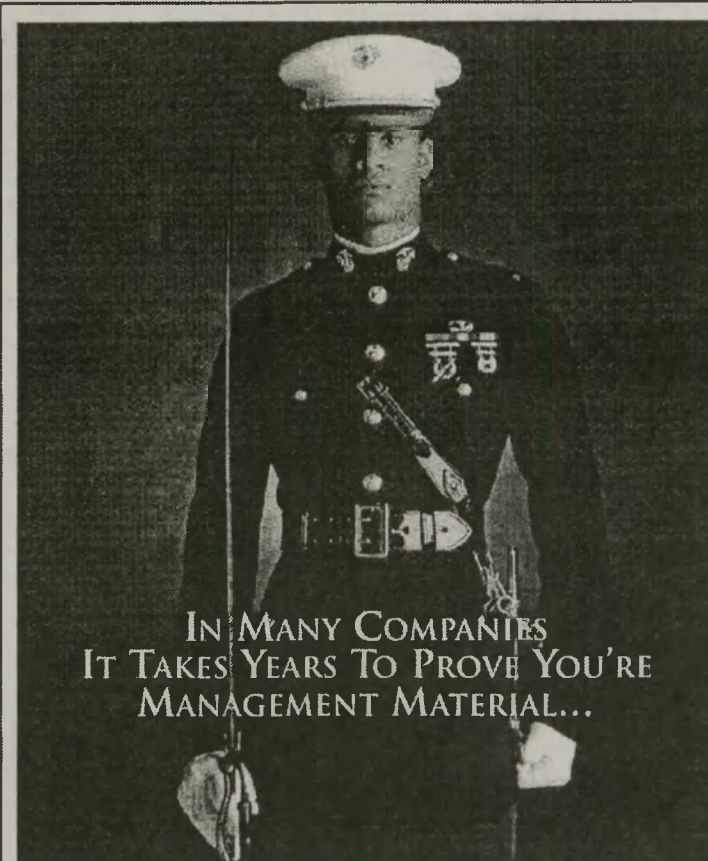
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Endangered species lack needed protection

Associated Press

Hundreds of imperiled species around the world — from a tiny opossum to a radiant blue bird — lack protection from human encroachment despite the vast amount of land set aside for conservation, a new study warns.

Researchers said the findings are a wake-up call pointing to the need for new strategies to ensure that protected lands and the ranges of threatened species overlap.

At present, the largest protected areas are in desert or cold climates where the biodiversity is far lower than in tropical areas teeming with life, said Stuart L. Pimm, a professor of ecology at Duke University.

"The protected areas tend to be in the wrong places. We have huge national parks in Alaska, but few protected areas in biologically rich places like Florida or Hawaii," said Pimm, who was not involved in the research.

The findings appear in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*.

In the study, researchers from nine nations compared maps of more than 100,000 protected areas around the globe to maps of the ranges of 11,633 animal species — mostly tropical and many threatened or endangered.

They found that for about 12 percent of the species, their ranges did not include parks or nature preserves that would protect them from human activities such as logging, hunting or mining operations.

And among 3,896 species deemed threatened, they found that 20 percent had no protection. About 300 of those animals

are on the verge of extinction.

They include a tiny Colombian marsupial called Handley's slender mouse opossum and Indonesia's Cerulean Paradise-flycatcher, a bright blue bird with 100 or so survivors confined to a single forest-topped extinct volcano. Other critically endangered species are the Comoro black flying fox, a fruit bat found only on the Indian Ocean's Comoros islands, and Myanmar's Burmese star tortoise.

Smaller studies have shown "gaps" between protected areas and threatened species, but the new work offers the first global view of that situation by evaluating the predicament of some of the best documented animal species, said Ana S.L. Rodrigues, a research fellow at Conservation International in Washington, D.C.

"Even for these species that we know well, we're finding these levels of unprotection, of gaps. It's alarming," said Rodrigues who was the study's lead author.

Although about 11.5 percent of Earth's land surface has protected status, she said many developing nations simply lack the resources to protect their national parks. Conflicts over conservation are common, she said, because areas highly attractive to humans such as fertile lowlands and forests are also the richest in species.

Craig Hilton-Taylor, a Cambridge, England-based conservation biologist with the World Conservation Union, called the research "scary" because it did not even look at thousands of little-known species such as small mammals, freshwater fish, plants and invertebrates that have very tiny ranges.

USDA pushed to test for BSE

Meatpacker pushes for comprehensive mad cow testing

Associated Press

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan. — While government regulators try to reassure Americans and international customers the U.S. meat supply is safe from mad cow disease, a fledgling Kansas meatpacker is willing to prove it.

Its survival might depend on it.

Creekstone Farms Premium Beef is one of the nation's smallest meatpacking companies. But it has set off a firestorm at the U.S. Department of Agriculture and within the cattle industry by seeking permission from regulators to privately test all the animals processed at its Arkansas City slaughterhouse for mad cow disease.

At a time when most of the world has banned imports of American beef after the discovery of a single case of mad cow disease in Washington state, Creekstone says it has assurances from Japanese customers they would accept its products — if every animal processed at the plant was tested for the brain-wasting disease.

If Creekstone receives permission from the Agriculture Department to begin such testing, and Japan begins importing Creekstone beef, the little company will have accomplished what nobody else could: reopen an Asian market to U.S. beef.

Doing so, Creekstone insists, is essential if the company and the more than 700 jobs it pro-

vides here are to survive.

The American Meat Institute, the meatpacking industry's trade association, opposes 100 percent testing, calling it an unnecessary expense not warranted by science. And to date, the Agriculture Department has not officially acted on Creekstone's request.

"This is new territory for the Department of Agriculture — and there are a lot of different issues on the table that have to be addressed," said spokeswoman Alicia Harrison.

But Creekstone's top officials, energized from recent talks with top Agriculture Department officials and a visit to Japan, are swiftly moving to ready the plant for mad cow testing.

"We may be a minority, but every person at this plant believes very strongly what we are doing is right," said Bill Fielding, the company's chief operating officer. "It is worth fighting for."

On a recent trip to Japan, Fielding said he saw the effects of the discovery of mad cow disease — known formally as bovine spongiform encephalopathy — first hand. Grocery stores hang signs above meat counters telling consumers the beef has been BSE tested, and workers wearing "Aussie Beef" aprons gave away free samples of Australian beef.

Fielding said Creekstone could start shipping meat to Japan within two weeks of getting USDA permission.

While they wait, the company is working with Kansas State University to set up a lab that would conduct the testing at the Arkansas City plant.

The plant, which processes 1,000 head of cattle a day, is

among the nation's smallest. Industry leader Tyson Foods Inc., for example, processes 30,000 cattle a day at its slaughterhouses.

The major packers such as Tyson don't just have size on their side; their pork and chicken businesses have bolstered sagging beef profits, and some have beef packing plants outside the United States, Fielding said.

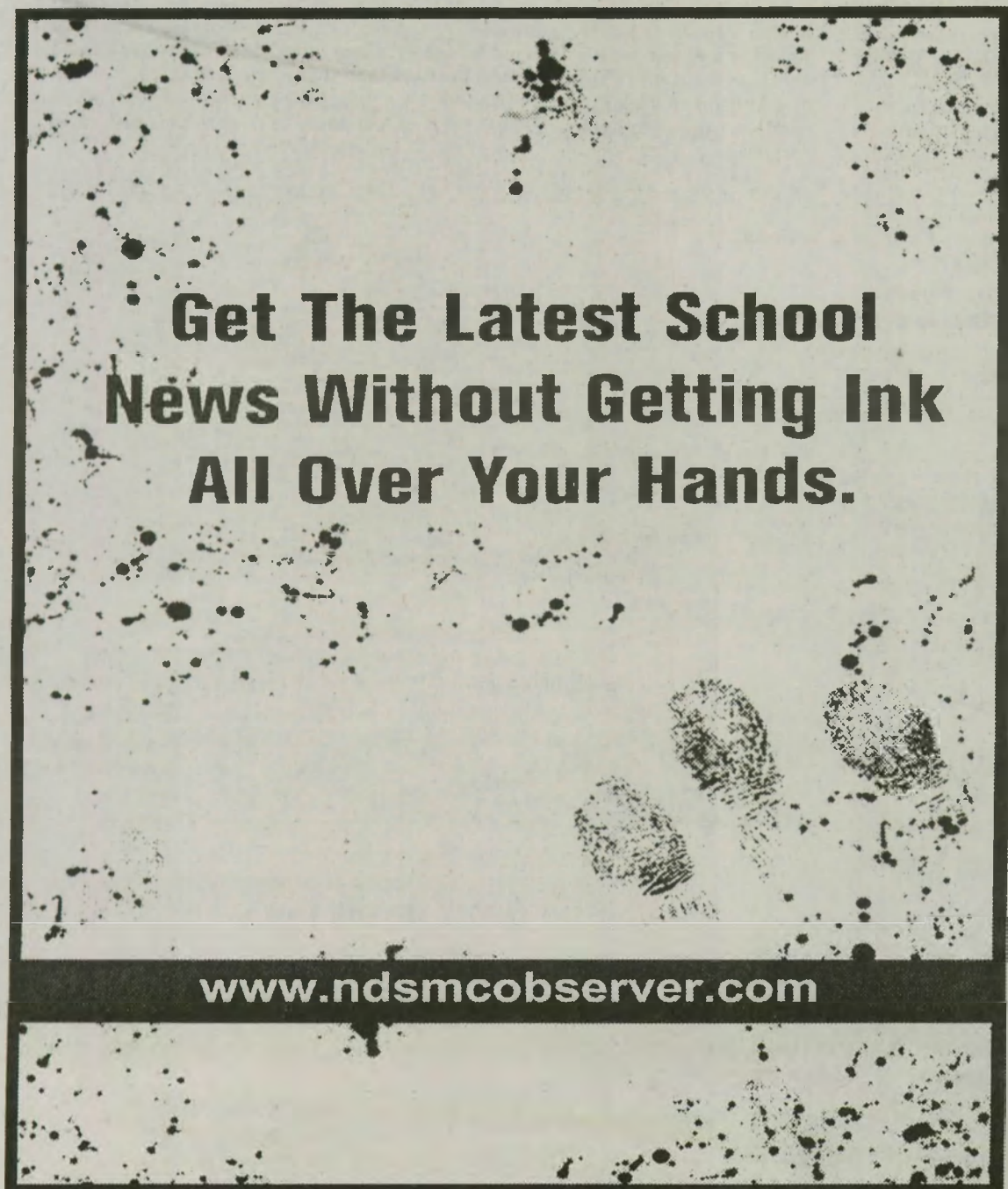
Fielding fears if the ban on exports forces small packers like Creekstone out of business, the result will be further consolidation in an industry that is already top-heavy. Eighty percent of the beef this country eats comes from four meatpackers.

"On one hand the government has always tried to at least limit the amount of consolidation," Fielding said. "But in this case it is playing right into the hands of the big packers and it will be at the expense of the cattle producer as an end result."

The Arkansas City plant has already survived one brush with bankruptcy. Just seven months after it was opened by Future Beef Operations, the Colorado-based company filed for bankruptcy and by 2002, 900 workers were without jobs.

The next January, Creekstone — a company founded in 1995 by a Kentucky farming couple with just 37 head of purebred Black Angus cattle — bought the plant to produce its own brand-name beef products.

Slaughter manager Brad Reed hired as many former Future Beef workers as he could find; as many as 75 percent of Creekstone's workers are former employees.



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Support the best candidate, not the Catholic one

In his April 6 letter to the editor, Tom Coffey argues that American Catholics should support Catholic politicians, particularly the Presidential election campaign of Democratic candidate John Kerry. As if pooling all American Catholics into one single voting bloc were not a stretch in and of itself, Coffey goes on to make the connection that by virtue of Kerry's nomination and a few potential Catholic running mates, the Democratic party is somehow more in line with the values of Catholic Americans.

Joe Licandro

The Licandro
Non-Factor

Such an assertion could not be any further from the truth. Throughout his four terms as senator from Massachusetts, Kerry has proven himself to be one of the strongest abortion rights advocates in the country. In this respect, American Catholics could not elect a more un-Catholic President than Kerry.

Just a few weeks ago, Kerry took a break from the campaign trail to fly to Washington to vote against a bill that makes it a separate federal crime to harm a fetus during an assault on the mother. It is difficult to see how anyone could vote against this bill, especially considering the ongoing Scott Peterson murder trial. As it stands now, Peterson can only be tried for murdering his pregnant wife Laci and not the 8-month-old fetus living inside her who was to be named Conner.

Despite the tragedy of Laci Peterson's death, opponents of the bill feared that its passage might later lead to erosions of reproductive rights, particularly partial-birth abortions. Whether or not partial-birth abortions eventually are banned in this country remains to be seen. But regardless of this potential outcome, there is no political, legal or

moral justification for Kerry and his 37 fellow Senate democrats who voted against this bill. Thankfully, the Senate, on the heels of overwhelming Republican support, passed this legislation, with President Bush officially signing it into law Friday in front of Laci Peterson's appreciative family.

It is no surprise that the Council of American Catholic Bishops applauded President Bush for signing the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, also known as Laci and Conner's Law. It is also no surprise that the Council has refused to endorse Kerry. And that many of them, as an article in last week's edition of "Time" suggests, are torn on whether to even offer Kerry communion as he parades around pre-dominantly Catholic cities like Cleveland and Milwaukee, allowing the media to cover his visits to church in his attempts to curry the Catholic vote.

In truth, Kerry's Catholicism or lack of it should not play a role at all in the minds of voters. In another article from last week's "Time," the Senator himself went on record in saying, "We have a strict separation of Church and state in this country. I will be a President who happens to be Catholic, not a Catholic President."

To this end, Kerry could not be more correct. For the same reason it is ridiculous to suggest that African-Americans should only vote for African-Americans or that Hispanics should only vote for Hispanics, Catholics, and all other Americans, for that matter, should not elect a candidate just because he or she happens to be a member of their religious faith. Only when a candidate's faith may be detrimental to his or her ability to lead should it be a reason not to vote for him or her (for example, a Jewish candidate who advocated Israeli encroachment into Palestinian territory, or a Muslim candidate who refused to condemn and fight against Islamic terrorism).

Faith is a private matter and should be kept that way in elections. Kerry, ever the walking contradiction, has refused to adhere to the standard which he espouses. While campaigning in November in Florida, the senator attempted to woo Jewish voters by claiming he had a special bond with them on account of a Boston Globe article that discovered the candidate's paternal grandparents were of Jewish origin but later converted to Catholicism upon immigrating to the United States.

In a reference to the atrocities of World War II, Kerry told his audience, "Had leaders seen the world differently when there was cause to see it differently, life might have been different. We understand — and I say we, because I recently learned of my own ties to the Jewish faith, a hundred years ago, which opens a whole new door, a window of connection."

As controversial as these comments were, Kerry stooped to a new low two weeks ago when he made a Biblical reference in a speech at the New Northwest Baptist Church in St. Louis. "What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but doesn't have works," Kerry said, quoting James 2:14. "When we look at what is happening in America today, where are the works of compassion?"

If certain Catholics want to vote for Kerry, that is their right. But they should not do so because he attends Catholic Mass. Along these same lines, if Americans of any faith want to vote for Kerry, that is their right. But do so for his policies, not his shameless attempts to exploit religion.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Humor distorts nothing, and only false gods are laughed off their earthly pedestals."

Agnes Repplier
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Opening day is a new beginning

A few days ago, I fell asleep in my bed after a long night of studying and paper-writing. Usually it would be easy for me to get to sleep, but that night I was restless. I didn't know what it was at the time, but something wasn't right. Nothing would work — Advil PM, opening the windows, closing the windows, music or reading. Finally, though, I fell asleep to an unbelievable dream — a green field against a sky so brilliantly blue that I hadn't the courage to take an unstrained look at it.

Adam Cahill

A Domer's Outlook

On the field were my friends, each one wearing a smile of supreme happiness. And it was a game we were playing, though what game I could not be sure because the dream faded from my memory.

The following day I stared out the window of my closet-like dorm room and wondered where the excitement had gone. There was nothing new to look forward to, it seemed. The national basketball quarterfinals had just ended, and all that remained to the basketball season were a mere handful of games that were going to be played by teams that I had no interest in. The cold South Bend days that I had so desperately wanted to find relief from had no hope of being replaced by anything other than wearing sandals to the dining hall instead of hiking boots and hours in front of a computer in prepa-

ration for the onslaught of papers before finals.

The snows have long since gone now, and the trees have begun to bloom, but there still seems to be a void in the inevitable coming of spring. The wind still seems to rip through me like I'm a Southerner too far north, there aren't even enough birds to sing a nice spring tune, and all the professors have decided that now would be a great time to fill their quotas of papers and tests.

So as I pushed back my chair and turned to head out the door, consequently hitting my left knee on my sink and my right on the ladder of my loft, I realized there is little chance that anything could help me change my attitude toward the oncoming home stretch of the semester. I needed something new, something exciting. I needed something that would continually give me moments of rapture but yet test my patience over a long and grueling battle against time and circumstance. I

needed something that would occupy my time but in a setting that can only be described in a Jimmy Buffett or James Taylor song, something closer to the segmented dream that I had experienced a few nights before.

But when I walked into the lounge, the television gave me the answer I had been in search of for quite some time. Sitting down in the nearest armchair, I became enthralled with the timeless tradition of Major League Baseball's opening day.

Opening day is a time where everyone is excited about the possibility of what could happen if all the cards fall into the right places. It's a time when dreams don't seem so far away but yet they're a world away from actually being achieved. It's the hope of the possibility that makes opening day what it is.

Most of the time, it doesn't even matter who plays in the opening days of the season. Whether it is the Detroit Tigers, the New York Yankees or the Chicago Cubs, Opening Day is filled with questions and the lack of answers. Who will have a breakout season? Who

is over the hill?

But what matters most is that everyone is full of hope and excitement for the oncoming season. Even the teams that have absolutely no talent in comparison to the larger market teams are still held together with the slimmest yet still ever-present hope that they can make a Cinderella run at the World Series.

Opening Day is a new beginning to the endless summer days of playing stick-ball in the street and throwing any kind of ball up into the air so you can field it with a gloved hand. It is a new beginning to the bottomless bags of Big League Chew and sunflower seeds. It is a new beginning to hours upon hours of trading baseball cards and the need to get as many rookie cards as possible. It is the place where heroes are born and tragedy is found in defeat.

Opening Day starts the grueling challenge of being a true fan for 162 games and hopefully more. It is the start of prayers that focus on curses and that they be lifted. Like New Year's Day, Opening Day in baseball is a fresh start, a new creation born in hope.

But to me, Opening Day is a new beginning to childhood.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Are there really any 'Catholic' politicians?

Tom Coffey's letter to the editor from April 6 reflects the sad state of American Catholicism today. John F. Kennedy, the first Catholic president and a Democrat, was elected back when the Democratic Party's main concerns were social and racial justice, views fully in line with Catholic beliefs.

However, today's Democratic Party seems to be primarily concerned with abortion rights, gay marriage and other issues that are compromising America's religious beliefs. Recently, John Kerry voted against a bill protecting unborn children when the pregnant mother is murdered, and his stance on abortion has resulted in requests, as Coffey noted, for Kerry not to take the Holy Eucharist at Mass. How any Catholic could stand behind what today's "Catholic" politicians support is beyond me.

On the other hand, the Republican Party has us in what most people would not consider a "just war." Republicans also support the death penalty and tend to protect business rights at the expense of focusing on the rights of the less fortunate. And, as Coffey noted, the Republican Party has not been overly hospitable to Catholics in the past. So this puts the American Catholic in a tight spot. One can either take the moral path with

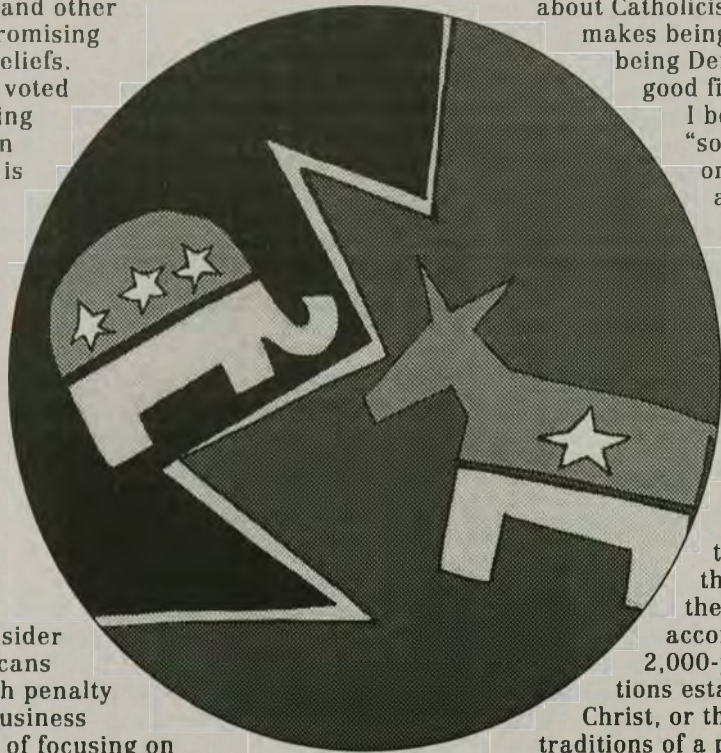
the Republican Party or take the traditional social-oriented path of the Democratic Party.

It is not easy to be a Catholic voter in America, and it should not be easy to be a Catholic voter in America. But if you simply support the Democratic Party because of its prominent Catholic politicians, I suggest you rethink your Catholic beliefs. Coffey said that

"there has got to be something about Catholicism which makes being Catholic and being Democrat such a good fit."

I believe that that "something" died once the value of a choice took precedence over the value of human life. My Catholic beliefs do not lead me to join a party simply because of tradition, and Catholic voters must ask themselves if their beliefs lead them to vote according to the 2,000-year-old traditions established by Christ, or the 40-year-old traditions of a political party.

Matt Wiley
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Recovery isn't growth

"The economic growth in 2003 and 2004 has proven Bush's critics dead wrong."

What an incredibly optimistic outlook going into this year's election process. I can only assume that Mike Koprowski, in his April 6 letter, is quietly trying to drum up support for the President whose approval rating has hit an all-time low in a poll published Tuesday.

It is truly a blessing that 308,000 new jobs were created in the month of March; however, Koprowski continues to point out that since August, 750,000 new jobs were created. That means that, from August to February, only 442,000 new jobs were created. That averages a little over 60,000 jobs a month — not exactly impressive during our time of "economic growth."

While I'm at it, I don't think "economic growth" is an appropriate enough term for our latest advancements. Koprowski is proud of the fact that the Dow is approaching "pre-recession levels." To me, this is not a sign of economic growth, this is a sign of economic recovery. Growth, as far as the Bush administration is concerned, should be reaching economic levels above and beyond what they were when he took office. Should we applaud a president who digs himself out of his own recession?

With tax refunds supposedly about to reach record highs, it is no big surprise that consumer spending would increase. The anticipation of those refunds spurs anyone to go on a little spree. However, the \$1,000 child credit Koprowski mentioned was distributed in the summer of 2003 as an advance. Taxpayers are quickly seeing a dramatic decrease in refunds and even find themselves owing money because they fail to report those credits as income.

"Economic growth" is a mere illusion. With an uncertain future in the Middle East (the Israel/Palestine conflict as well as the mess in Iraq) and the economic roller coaster that occurs during any election year, I can hardly call Bush's work "impressive."

Jason Wilkerson
class of 2003
April 6

MOVIE REVIEW

'Hellboy': Like a bat out of hell

By MARK BEMENDERFER
Scene Movie Critic

Cthulhu. Y'ha-nthlei. Yog-Sothoth. K'n-yan. If any of those names sound familiar, then "Hellboy", directed and written by Guillermo del Toro, may be right up your alley. Steeped heavily in Lovecraftian lore, this is one of the better movies to come out in years partially based on the writings of the late author, H. P. Lovecraft.

That doesn't mean the average moviegoer won't enjoy the movie, as they probably will. It's saying that a person who knows of H. P. Lovecraft, and has been a fan of his previous works, will get a much larger kick out of the movie.

For example, it's a little hard for the average person to picture ultimate evil as a frozen giant squid in outer space. But to a Lovecraft fan, it's a whole new story.

"Hellboy" itself was a pretty good movie. While there were some logical holes in the story, as well as some poor editing, it was an enjoyable flick overall. One small complaint though — why does it seem that Nazi's are always behind apocalypse plots? I know they are safe villains, as they are the least likely to offend anyone when they get killed, but a little more imagination could have been used, especially in a movie like this.

And speaking of recycled villains, in "Hellboy" we are treated with Grigori Rasputin. Yes, he is the famed Roman mystic who has already been treated with dozens of films and literature. While it appears Toro is trying to give the movie some historical context, it could just as equally be likely that he is just going with some standard Hollywood villains.

In the way of characters, Ron Perlman brings the title character to life, and the viewer never gets the feeling that they are watching a guy in a red demon suit. The other characters are just as nice, such as the intelligent fish man voiced by David Hyde Pierce.

Fans of cool swordplay will also get a lot out of the movie, as one character in particular seems to excel at it. Kroenen, played by Ladislav Beran, is

a sheer joy to watch. It's not every day that people get to watch a masochistic sword swinging ninja nazi at work.

One character seemed to detract from the film just a

little though. Selma Blair, playing the character of Liz Sherman, gives a somewhat disappointing performance. Maybe I'm being a little too hard on her, considering she has to act professionally while talking to a giant merman.

Many people saw the trailers for this



"Hellboy"
Director: Guillermo del Toro
Writer: Mike Mignola and Guillermo del Toro
Starring: Ron Perlman, Selma Blair, Jeffrey Tambor, Karel Roden, Rupert Evans, John Hurt and Corey Johnson



Photo courtesy of www.allmoviephoto.com

Hellboy (Ron Perlman), a demon stolen from the Nazis and raised by Allied forces, grows up to serve the cause of good rather than evil in the new film.

movie, and probably considered it to be a lame League of Extraordinary Gentlemen knockoff. That's not a good thing, especially when LXG was less than stellar. But those people would also be missing out on a pretty good movie if they simply wrote off "Hellboy."

While it is certainly not a head scratcher, or the latest Hollywood masterpiece, it's an enjoyable little

flick that will certainly hold more for fans of the comics, or action fans in general. Why not shake things up a little bit this Easter with watching "Hellboy", although some will probably enjoy watching "The Passion" again more.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Stiles finds a prince, lacks a quality plot

By BECCA SAUNDERS
Scene Movie Critic

The latest teenage romantic comedy has arrived, and has taken form in "The Prince & Me," starring Julia Stiles and the British actor Luke Mably. While one should not walk into this film with high expectations, chances are the average teenager through 20-year-old girl will not be disappointed. Cheesy? Yes. Predictable? Definitely. Does it make a girl's stomach get but-

terflies? Without a doubt (and isn't that really why anyone is at this movie anyhow?).

The storyline of "The Prince & Me" is not a difficult one to follow. Paige (Stiles) is a senior at a university in Wisconsin. Paige Morgan is a dedicated and straight-laced pre-med student who is not going to let love slow her down.

She meets Prince Edward (Mably) at her night job as a waitress. Prince Edward is the crown prince of Denmark who can't stay out of trouble.

He sees a "Girls Gone Wild"-esque film from Wisconsin and decides to go to college in America as Eddie. It must be something about that Wisconsin air, because as soon as Eddie gets to America, he leaves behind his wild ways in pursuit of Paige.

Following a very unbelievable character shift, in both the characters of Eddie and Paige, the two end up together. That is until Paige gets a big surprise — Eddie is a prince. Paige of course ends up in Denmark where she must choose between a life with Eddie as queen of Denmark or fulfilling her dreams of becoming a doctor. The end has been advertised as surprising, it is not; but does make the audience work to get there.

The plot is predictable, yet enjoyable and the acting registers in the same category. Stiles, known for her mediocre acting and annoying fake accents, seems to let her guard down in this film and, apart from one scene where she is clumsily dancing to slow music while wiping tables as Eddie falls for her, Stiles is not annoying in the slightest. The character of Paige fit Stiles well, and whether or not that is only because Stiles in reality is similar to Paige, thus making the "acting" aspect questionable, is largely irrelevant (hey, it worked for Julia Roberts).

One could not call Stiles breathtaking, or even necessarily talented, but she is most definitely satisfactory, which is not often the case for her.

Luke Mably also plays his role as Prince Edward well, providing comic relief in his characters ineptness for day-to-day tasks. Not to mention, he is cute has a British accent and is starring in a movie made for teen girls, so generally his performance will be, and deserves to be, well received. The only other standout role is the comic character of Ben Miller as the stoic and

often-distraught Soren, Prince Edward's "nanny".

Overall, "The Prince & Me" is not a bad film to see if you enjoy this type of movie. There is nothing impressive about it, beyond the beautiful setting of

the castle in Denmark, but it is also by no means disappointing in its nature. If people are looking for more than "I can live my dreams and have a boyfriend too", don't bother seeing it. Yet, if it is a romantic teen film that won't require a great deal of thinking that someone is looking for, look no farther. "The Prince & Me" promises a story that the title and the advertising imply — nothing more, but nothing less.

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Paige Morgan (Julia Stiles), a dedicated pre-med student, shares a dance with Prince Edward (Luke Mably) in the new romantic comedy, "The Prince & Me."

MOVIE REVIEW

Rock's solid, but 'Walking Tall' loses focus

By BRANDON HOLLIHAN
Scene Movie Critic

The Rock should not be an action star. Okay, let's rephrase that — he shouldn't be just an action star. Granted, when you're a 6-foot-5, 255-pound professional wrestler (although the Rock, whose real-life name is Dwayne Johnson, seems to be leaning away from that moniker with each passing day) you're going to experience a few type casts early in your career. Nonetheless, it wouldn't hurt for the Rock to branch out into other genres — the occasional romantic comedy or high-profile independent film, once you're securing yourself with \$15 million per film project.

Which is what the Rock has accomplished with the second film version of "Walking Tall," in which he plays U.S. Special Forces veteran Chris Vaughn, who is fresh off eight years of service and returning to his home in Washington to start a new chapter in his life. What Vaughn comes home to, however, is a corrupted town that has seen its primary source of income — the lumber mill at which Chris' father (John Beasley) worked — closed down and replaced with a casino run by Chris' high school classmate and rival, Jay Hamilton (Neal McDonough).

When not ripping off customers with such gimmicks as weighted dice, the casino also serves as a medium for drug distribution. That plotline is stylishly alluded towards early in the film as Vaughn

notices a woman making a purchase in an alleyway on his maiden journey home. Vaughn is affected directly by the casino's dirty work when his younger cousin Pete (Khleo Thomas) overdoses on crystal meth.

In a disgruntled rage Vaughn drives to the casino and wreaks havoc on its employees with a two-by-four. The two-by-four's usage is actually a tip of the hat to both the real life person on which the film is based, Tennessee sheriff Buford Pusser, as well as the original 1973 Joe Don Baker version. The rampage leads to Vaughn's arrest, but alas, Vaughn proves he has a brain during the subsequent trial and promises the townspeople to lay down the law as sheriff if he's acquitted.

The film is actually quite enjoyable up to the major turning point at the trial, as

Vaughn is given time to reacquaint him with old friends and foes. As that develops, so do the conflicts Vaughn finds himself in — against Hamilton,

against his cronies and against the crooked authorities in Hamilton's pocket. All this fine development is unwittingly negated by Vaughn's election as sheriff.

The movie then trips over itself by showing off Vaughn's authority as he comically abuses the casino thugs. When it's time to get serious again, the story is trapped within its comic elements. It seems that director Kevin Bray wanted to contrast the action-heroics of the Rock

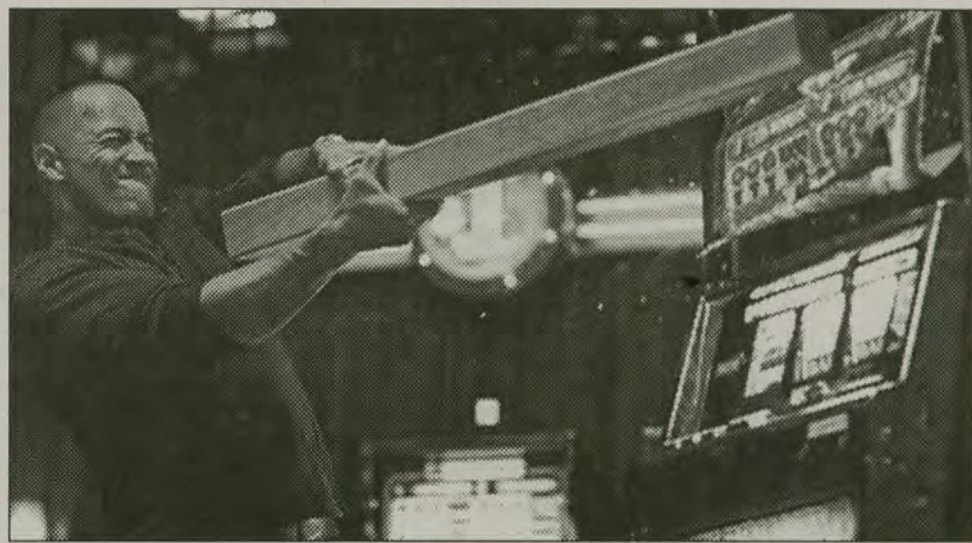
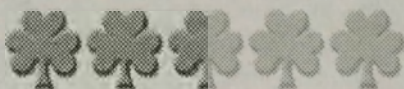


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U.S. Special Forces veteran Chris Vaughn (The Rock) unleashes his righteous anger on a shady casino and its employees in the new film, "Walking Tall."

"Walking Tall"



Director: Kevin Bray
Writers: Mort Briskin and David Klass
Starring: The Rock, Neal McDonough, Johnny Knoxville and John Beasley

with Knoxville's gleeful, more dimwitted method of fighting bad guys and, it almost works. Give Bray credit for several nice shots which tell the story to the audience through showing rather than exposition, such as Vaughn's opening walk home, along with a very well laid out sequence of Vaughn in his truck just after the romp through the casino.

Also credit the actors for not trying to be too clever and just delivering the material. A weaker cast might have acted more individually and out of sync with other characters (think Samuel L. Jackson walking around and yelling incoherently in any action film not named "Die Hard with a Vengeance" and you know what I'm getting at). We would've ended up with a subpar action film, instead of the par rat-

ing "Walking Tall" merits.

As for the Rock's film future, it's definitely a bright one; he's easy to root for, he knows how to work a film text, and it seems he understands the basics of giving and taking with other actors. If he truly wants to be the next great action star, though, he may face difficulties.

As it is, "Walking Tall" will likely fade towards the video rental store, and the Rock will probably continue to have fun making his action films while doing semi-annual appearances for the WWE on the side. Let's hope he's still having fun in the film industry 10 years from now; it'd be a shame to see him bounced out.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Good guy Hanks impresses as a bad guy

By JACQUELINE PIMENTEL-GANNON
Scene Movie Critic

From the makers of "O Brother, Where art Thou?" and "The Big Lebowski" comes the caper comedy "The Ladykillers." The Coen brothers are sure to delight moviegoers that enjoy heist films and Tom Hanks fans alike with this remake of the 1955 comedy starring Alec Guinness.

Hanks stars as professor Goldthwait

Higginson Dorr, a classics professor who turns to crime. Dorr arrives at the house of widow Marva Munson (Irma Hall) and rents a room under the guise of needing the root cellar for practices with his classical music ensemble. The ensemble is really his team of crooks — a ridiculously cacophonous collection of men. There is a dumb football player (Ryan Hurst), the Vietnamese general (Tzi Ma), a demolition expert named Mr. Pancake (J.K. Simmons) and inside man Gawain MacSam (Marlon Wayans).

Hanks has masterminded a plan to rob a riverboat casino by digging a tunnel from Munson's basement to the casino's vault. Surprisingly, the theft turns out to be the easy part of the adventure, even though there are several close calls with Munson coming downstairs to check on the guys. The real problem arises when an accidental explosion leads to Munson seeing the money.

After some deliberation, the band of thieves decides the best way to handle this situation is to kill off the poor old landlady. This idea proves to be a harder task than first imagined and leads to an entirely amusing comedy of errors that concludes in an unexpected fashion.

"Ladykillers" affords Hanks his first opportunity to play a true villain. He excels at the part. His facial hair and fake teeth help make him appear different, but it is his accent and laugh that are most distinguishing. They are at first quite charming, but grow tiresome, and the odd laugh is overused and slightly annoying by the end.

It is easy to forget that "Ladykillers" takes place in the present time period. Dorr's proper attire, Munson's dresses and the décor of her house and the town are more reminiscent of the South of the 1960's than today and contrast sharply with the more modern gold chain of MacSam and crisp suit of the general.

The scenery occasionally leaves something to be desired. A high school production's backdrops are more impressive than the flat, two-dimensional sheriff's office façade. Yet there is great use of a stone carving that appears in the introduction of the movie and then again near the end. The music is wonderful, mixing gospel music and classical pieces with "hippety-hop" songs, as Mrs. Munson refers to them.

From bathroom humor, to long bursts of profanity, to the use of racial terms, "Ladykillers" offers something to offend

many different types of people. Even the most compassionate person will have a difficult time not laughing through the barrage of fatalities late in the movie. There is no need to feel bad about cracking up

through Pancake and MacSam's hilarious bouts of insults because everyone ends up getting his due by the end of the film.

Though the plot of "Ladykillers" moves along slowly until the last quarter of the movie, it is nonetheless entertaining. It provides a nice rest from the fast-paced caper movies that require the audience to pay close attention. See "Ladykillers" if you are looking for some laughs and a fun, mindless way to spend 104 minutes.

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Lump Hudson (Ryan Hurst), left, Professor Dorr (Tom Hanks), Garth Pancake (J.K. Simmons) and The General (Tzi Ma) wreck havoc in "The Ladykillers."

"The Ladykillers"



Director: Ethan Coen and Joel Coen
Writer: William Rose and the Coen Bros.
Starring: Tom Hanks, Irma P. Hall, Marlon Wayans, J.K. Simmons and Ryan Hurst

MLB

Schilling dominates in 4-1 victory over O's

Red Sox avoid falling to 0-2 for first time since 1996 with win

Associated Press

Pitching in the World Series and dozens of other important games couldn't prevent Curt Schilling from feeling jittery as he prepared for his first start with the Boston Red Sox.

"I was nervous all day. That's just the way I am," he said. "More so today than normal, but I expected that."

Assigned the task of preventing Boston from falling to 0-2 for the first time since 1996, Schilling allowed one run in six innings to lead the Red Sox past the Baltimore Orioles 4-1 Tuesday.

It was the first win with the Red Sox for manager Terry Francona, and Lee Mazzilli's initial loss as manager of the Orioles.

Boston's decision to pick Schilling in the 1986 amateur draft finally paid off — 18 years later. Obtained in a trade with Arizona in November, the right-hander got the Red Sox back on track following Sunday's opening-night loss to Baltimore.

"This was different today in a lot of ways," said Schilling, now in his 14th major league season. "It's a different environment, there are a lot of expectations, and you want to live up to them the best you can."

Schilling (1-0) yielded six hits, struck out seven and walked one in earning his second career victory in the AL — the first since 1990, when he was with the Orioles. He spent parts of three seasons in Baltimore after being traded from Boston with Brady Anderson in July 1988 for Mike Boddicker.

After throwing 109 pitches and staking the Red Sox to a 3-1 lead, Schilling was ordered to watch the remainder of the game from the dugout.

"He lobbied a little bit, but it wasn't one of his stronger lobbies," Francona said. "The whole idea is for him to feel strong in August and September, for us to win, and for him to pitch effectively."

Alan Embree and Mike Timlin each worked one inning and Keith Foulke got three outs for his first save with Boston.

"That's kind of how you draw it up, with Schill and then the bullpen coming in," Francona

said. "Because we didn't hit the ball and we left some runners on base, it's great to win a game like that."

Baltimore starter Eric DuBose (0-1) allowed three runs, four hits and a career-high six walks in 5 1-3 innings. He wasn't terrible, but not nearly good enough to compete with Schilling.

"He's one of the best pitchers in the game, and you can't expect your offense to get a whole lot off him," DuBose said. "You've got to keep their offense down as long as possible and hope you get a chance to win late in the game."

Kevin Millar homered for the Red Sox, who received eight walks and made the most of five hits.

Tigers 7, Blue Jays 3

An injury to one of its best players overshadowed Detroit's best start in 18 years.

The Tigers lost slugger Dmitri Young to a broken right leg, but they beat the Toronto Blue Jays to open 2-0 for the first time since 1986.

"It's frustrating because we have something great going on here and I want to be a part of it," Young said.

Mike Maroth won his first start of the season in the same ballpark where he lost his 20th game last year, and Ivan Rodriguez hit a two-run double. Carlos Guillen homered and drove in two runs for the Tigers.

Young, however, is expected to miss up to six weeks.

The designated hitter fractured a bone in his lower leg when he dropped to the field in a failed effort to avoid a tag by second baseman Orlando Hudson in the first inning.

Young appeared to be in severe pain, but was able to put weight on the leg as he was helped off.

"I guess I'm at a loss for words," manager Alan Trammell said. "We're losing our All-Star from last year. We'll have to regroup. I don't know where we go from here."

Both Young and Trammell blamed SkyDome's artificial turf for the injury.

"When you stop on turf sometimes you stop too quick, and your joints roll, they don't slide," Trammell said. "That's the nasty part of being on AstroTurf."

The team initially announced Young had a sprained ankle,

but updated his status after he underwent X-rays.

His leg was placed in a removable splint.

Young had a career year last season, batting .297 with 29 home runs and 85 RBIs.

"We hate to lose Dmitri. It's a bummer, it's brutal," second baseman Fernando Vina said.

Detroit began 0-9 last year and set an American League record with 119 losses. The Tigers did not win consecutive games until a four-game winning streak from May 4-7.

Maroth struggled, too. Last Sept. 5 at SkyDome, he became the first 20-game loser in the major leagues since Oakland's Brian Kingman in 1980.

"It's something that I'm not going to be able to forget about, but to be able to come back here and get a win gives me confidence," Maroth said. "It really helps me put it in the past, too."

Maroth, who finished 9-21 last season, allowed three runs on five hits Tuesday, striking out one and walking one in five innings.

Nate Robertson pitched four scoreless innings for his first career save.

Reed Johnson homered for the Blue Jays, who were shut out Monday in their opener ag

Devil Rays 9, Yankees 4

Alex Rodriguez unveiled his power stroke to his new team. Mike Mussina couldn't make it stand up.

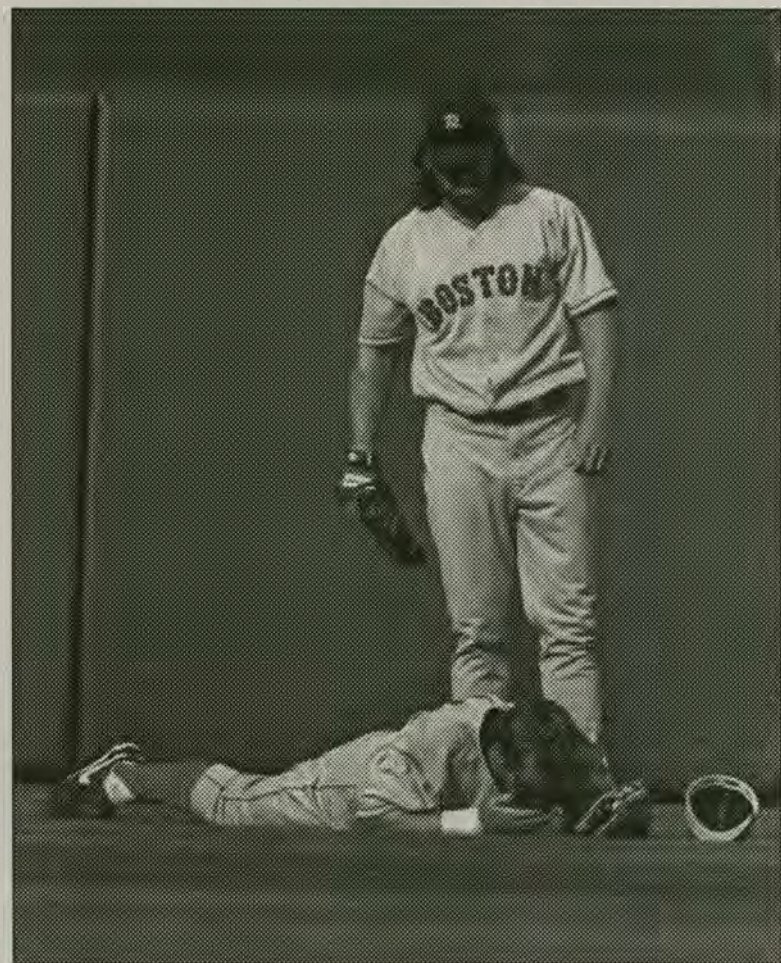
Rodriguez hit his first home run for the Yankees, but the Tampa Bay Devil Rays roughed up Mussina and overcame an early four-run deficit for a victory.

"We talked about that all spring. We're going to score runs. Not that we're not going to have problems at times, but certainly we need to rely on our pitching," Torre said Tuesday night after.

Victor Zambrano gave up the first-inning home run to Rodriguez and another to Gary Sheffield, then found a way to keep the rest of the Yankees' powerful lineup quiet, beating the defending AL champions for the second time this season.

"It looked like it was going to be a big day for us offensively," Rodriguez said. "We were just a hit short of blowing it open."

Julio Lugo hit a two-run homer and Jose Cruz Jr. went 4-for-5 with an RBI to deny Mussina in his fourth bid to



Boston Red Sox outfielder Johnny Damon looks on as teammate Kevin Millar holds his mouth after colliding with Damon in the eighth inning against the Orioles Tuesday.

become the 100th pitcher in major league history with 200 career victories.

Mussina (0-2) also lost last week's season opener to Zambrano in Japan, where the Devil Rays and Yankees split a pair of games before returning to Florida to resume their spring training schedule.

"It's frustrating," Mussina said. "I felt good out there. I made bad pitches."

The right-hander allowed nine runs and six runs in four innings.

Tuesday night's re-opener drew a crowd of 41,755, announced as just the second home sellout in Devil Rays history, even though it fell well short of the 45,369 that turned out for the expansion club's inaugural game at Tropicana Field in 1998.

Twins 7, Indians 6 - 15 Innings

Jacque Jones hit a tying homer with two outs in the ninth inning, and Jose Offerman's bases-loaded single in the 15th gave the Minnesota Twins a victory over the

Cleveland Indians

Cleveland's bullpen blew another late lead, and Minnesota finally scored against losing pitcher Jake Westbrook in the 15th after wasting several earlier chances.

The Twins lost rookie catcher Joe Mauer to a mildly sprained left knee, starting pitcher Johan Santana to spasms in his left forearm and Gold Glove center fielder Torii Hunter to a strained right hamstring.

Nick Punto beat out an infield single to shortstop with a head-first dive and stole second in the 15th.

Doug Mientkiewicz was intentionally walked, and Punto was thrown out at third on Corey Koskie's sacrifice bunt attempt. With two outs, Jones walked to load the bases.

Offerman, signed to a minor league contract after spending all of last season in the independent Atlantic League, singled up the middle on a 3-2 pitch to win it.

Jones tied it at 6 with a two-run homer off closer David Riske.

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MLB

After 5 years with N.Y., Clemens finally home

'The Rocket' ready to make first Astro start today vs. S.F.

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Roger Clemens climbed into his burnt orange Hummer, headed down I-10 and drove right to work. After all those years on the road, he was truly home.

From the lone star on his hat to the train whistle coming from left field at Minute Maid Park, it looks and sounds somewhat strange to see Clemens playing for the Houston Astros.

Not that he minds a bit. "Everything's a little different," he said on opening day. "Just getting up today and coming down and doing the

pep rally and going back home, and get some things together and back down here for the game, that's extremely different for me.

"It's 15 minutes instead of a four-hour flight to New York. I'm still really trying to absorb everything," he said. "It's really neat to see the excitement that it has generated from everyone now that we're getting underway. I, too, am excited."

A cartoon image of Clemens holding his glove high is plastered on billboards around the city and posted on the right-field scoreboard as part of the team's "Root For the Good Guys" campaign. A sellout crowd, including 2,000 standing-room seats that were quickly gobbled up, was expected for his National League debut.

The Rocket was set to make his Houston launch on Wednesday night, facing Barry Bonds and the San Francisco Giants.

At 41, Clemens is technically making a comeback, having ended his Hall of Fame career after the New York Yankees lost the World Series to the Florida Marlins last October.

But by the standards set by Michael Jordan, Ryne Sandberg and a bunch of big-name boxers in recent years, it isn't much of a comeback at all — officially, Clemens' retirement lasted just 78 days.

Clemens made his decision after good buddy and fellow Yankees pitcher Andy Pettitte decided to leave New York and sign with the hometown Astros.

Pettitte made his Houston debut on Tuesday night.



Former New York Yankees Roger Clemens, left, and Andy Pettitte line up during Opening Day announcements on Monday.

During the game, a playful conversation between them was shown on the video board, drawing laughs from the fans.

"Did I believe it was possible that what happened would happen? Yes, I did," Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan said before Tuesday night's game.

"I felt that Roger still had the tug to compete," said Ryan, who also extended his career by returning to his Texas roots. "But I know he also felt very strongly about being away from his family and some of the things he had missed living in Texas and playing in New York."

So now, with 310 career wins, a couple of World Series rings and all the money he'd ever need, Clemens is hoping to help Houston win its first title.

"There's a lot of people that are excited about this year, and rightfully so because some of the guys may not be back next year," he said. "I've won 20, I've won Cy Youngs and championships ... I want success for them."

"Let's face the facts. I'm the elder statesman," he said.

Astros All-Star outfielder Lance Berkman is thrilled to have Clemens in the same clubhouse.

Berkman was born in Waco, grew up in Austin rooting for Clemens at the University of Texas and later played for the

Rocket's college coach.

"His competitiveness and toughness, they embody what being a Texan is all about," Berkman said.

Pitcher Wade Miller is equally enthused, even though he's been a bit leery about approaching his new teammate.

"I want to respect his privacy," Miller said. "But it's gotten where every time he comes in, he taps me on the shoulder and says, 'What's up, Whitey?'"

Along with calling Miller by his nickname, Clemens has offered him some advice. In particular, a mechanical adjustment that would make it appear Miller is pointing toward a right-handed batter's shoulder when he delivers.

"He's going to do a lot of things for all of us," Miller said.

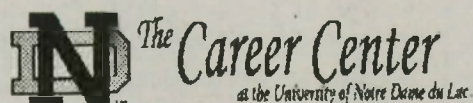
Maybe he might even show them how to get Bonds out. Not that Clemens has done it yet.

Bonds reached base in all four of his plate appearances against Clemens — three walks, two of them intentional, and a hit by pitch. Provided the situation is right, it will be power vs. power when they face each other again.

"That's when the fans win. That's a time you don't want to make a trip to the concession stand because I'm going to turn it loose," he said.



Former Yankees pitcher Roger Clemens follows through on a pitch in Game 4 of the World Series on Oct. 22 against the Florida Marlins. Clemens spent the past five years pitching in New York.



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Woods heavy favorite to take fourth Masters

However, the field has never been so packed with contenders

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — One green jacket and Tiger Woods already was being compared to Jack Nicklaus.

Four straight majors, and the comparisons climbed even higher — to himself.

The lofty standard facing the No. 1 player in golf was never more clear when Woods arrived at Augusta National. He is the betting favorite to win the Masters for the fourth time, and yet there is a feeling this major has never been so ripe with contenders.

He has won eight majors — none of his peers have more than three — but Woods is facing sharp scrutiny because he has gone the last six majors without winning.

"It's different for me versus any other player," Woods said Tuesday. "Some other player has a bad week, misses the cut, it's no big deal, he slips through the radar. Whereas, if I shoot one bad round, it's a little different."

But this is no surprise. "It's the only thing I've ever known since I've been out here," Woods said. "I was compared to Nicklaus when I first came out here, and now I'm being compared to what I did in 2000, 1999 and 2001."

It was during that time that Woods made history just about every time he played. He won nine times and \$9 million in 2000, the centerpiece of a stretch when he won five out of six majors.

Expectations have taken on a new meaning.

"The people out there, spectators, if they don't see Tiger in the top five making a charge on Sunday afternoon, there's something wrong with him," Ernie Els said.

But even Woods concedes that his swing is not the same as it was in 2000, and there are

inconsistencies in his game that he is trying to solve.

One week he drove the ball to all corners of the golf course and was spared by good iron play.

The next week he found the fairways, but could never get it close to the hole.

He hits the ball great on the practice range. There are moments of doubt on the first tee.

"It's not easy to trust your swing if your mechanics are not quite sound," Woods said. "That's one of the things that I've been trying to work on, trying to get my fundamentals of my golf swing more sound so I can go out there and don't have to think anything except for the shot I want to hit."

That has led to questions about the state of his game, his split with swing coach Butch Harmon and the pursuit of Nicklaus' 18 majors that no longer looks as easy as it did two years ago.

Augusta National should be a good place to find some answers.

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While the fast fairways should negate some of the length, the greens will accept only the best shots.

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ply the best players.

"A guy that feels good about his game this week, he's got a good chance to win," Els said. "It's pretty open."

Woods already noticed some severe differences.

He could reach the par-5 second hole with a good drive and a 3-wood the last few years. During a practice round Monday, he got there with a 6-iron.

What really got his attention was the precision required this week.

Playing the third hole on Tuesday, Woods said Mark O'Meara hit a slight draw and watched the ball run through the green. He approached it with a soft fade that landed in about the same place, only Woods' ball stayed on the green.

"If you don't hit the proper shot this week, you're really going to pay the price," Woods said. "The landing areas are that much smaller now. It's going to become more apparent who is really hitting the ball as the week goes on, because you can't get away with having a bad ball-striking day."

Then again, Woods can't get away with a bad day at anything.

Going for his fifth consecutive victory in the Bay Hill Invitational, he shot over par the final three rounds and tied for 46th, his worst result on the



Tiger Woods is handed a couple of extra balls by his caddy during practice Monday for the Masters Tournament.

PGA Tour in five years.

In his final tournament before the Masters, Woods opened with a 75 at The Players Championship and was in danger of missing the cut. He extended his record streak to 120, but was never a factor on Sunday.

Never mind that he won earlier this year at the Match Play Championship, or that his last two events were the only times he has finished out of the top 10 this year.

Woods, along with his peers, tend to look at the big picture.

"I've got to go back to his '99 through 2001 seasons, and

probably 2002," Els said. "He played on such a level that I think Nicklaus would have had a very tough time handling him. And yes, he's cooled down a little bit. But he's still playing on a very high level. He's up there."

Vijay Singh is closing in on the No. 1 ranking Woods has held the last five years. Els has already won twice this year, one of those at Royal Melbourne in Australia, which reminds so many people of Augusta National.

Adam Scott, the guy who swings like Woods, is coming off a victory in The Players Championship.

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Huskies fans celebrate national championship

Associated Press

STORRS, Conn. — Thousands of boisterous fans cheered and congratulated the national champion Connecticut basketball team Tuesday, just hours before the women's team took the court for its own title bid.

The women's team was in New Orleans Tuesday where it won its third consecutive championship and gave Connecticut an unprecedented sweep of the NCAA basketball titles.

Nearly 5,500 fans decked out in Huskies apparel and waving blue and white pompoms greeted the men's team at Gampel Pavilion.

Outside, police prepared for out-of-control celebrations like the ones after the Huskies won the title Monday night that resulted in 35 arrests, overturned cars and bonfires.

Star center, Emeka Okafor, selected the most outstanding player of the Final Four, was

weary from the trip, having had little sleep since the title game. He said the accomplishment was still somewhat unbelievable to him.

"We were actually in the championship game and we actually won the dang thing," Okafor said. "We made a lot of people proud."

When Ben Gordon got on stage to address the crowd, the arena erupted into chants of "One more year!"

Gordon, a junior guard, is expected to skip his senior year for the NBA.

"I just want to thank everyone in this building," Gordon said. "It's been a great three years here."

The architect of the Huskies' two national titles, coach Jim Calhoun, was greeted with shouts of "Hall of Fame!"

He learned on Monday that he had fallen one vote short of being inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame.



Fans celebrate Connecticut's national championship at Huskies Bar in Storrs, Conn. on Monday after the Huskies won their second championship by knocking off Georgia Tech, 82-73.

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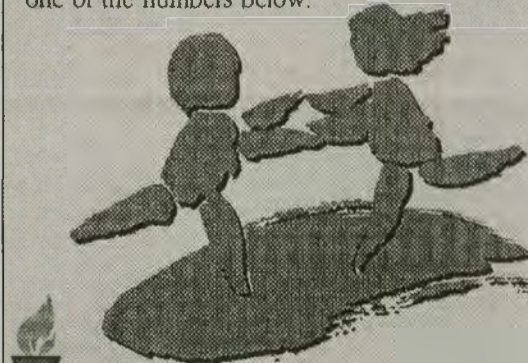
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The Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC) is currently registering children for the 2004-05 School Year and the 2004 Summer Day Camp. ECDC at Saint Mary's College enrolls children ages 3 through 5 during the school year and 3 through 9 during the summers. ECDC at Notre Dame enrolls children ages 2 through kindergarten during the school year and 2.5 through 9 during the summer. For more information and ECDC Parent Tours, please call one of the numbers below.



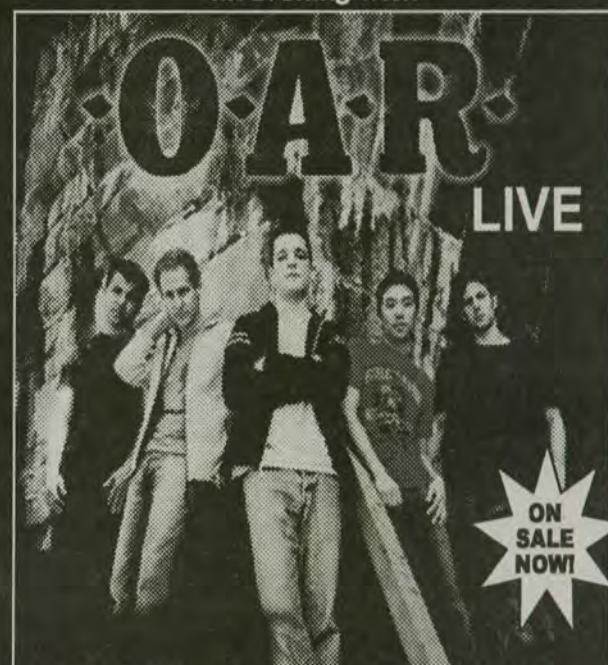
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Major League Baseball

American League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Tampa Bay	2-1	.667	2-1	-
Baltimore	1-1	.500	1-1	0.5
Boston	1-1	.500	1-1	0.5
New York	1-2	.333	1-2	1.0
Toronto	0-2	.000	0-2	1.5

American League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Detroit	2-0	1.000	2-0	-
Minnesota	2-0	1.000	2-0	-
Kansas City	1-0	1.000	1-0	0.5
Chicago	0-1	.000	0-1	1.5
Cleveland	0-2	.000	0-2	2.0

American League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Oakland	2-0	1.000	2-0	-
Anaheim	1-0	1.000	1-0	0.5
Seattle	0-1	.000	0-1	1.5
Texas	0-2	.000	0-2	2.0

National League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Florida	1-0	1.000	1-0	-
New York	1-0	1.000	1-0	-
Atlanta	0-1	.000	0-1	1.0
Montreal	0-1	.000	0-1	1.0
Philadelphia	0-1	.000	0-1	1.0

National League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Milwaukee	2-0	1.000	2-0	-
Chicago	1-0	1.000	1-0	0.5
Pittsburgh	1-0	1.000	1-0	0.5
Cincinnati	0-1	.000	0-1	1.5
Houston	0-2	.000	0-2	2.0
St. Louis	0-2	.000	0-2	2.0

National League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
San Francisco	2-0	1.000	2-0	-
Colorado	1-0	1.000	1-0	0.5
Los Angeles	1-1	.500	1-1	1.0
San Diego	1-1	.500	1-1	1.0
Arizona	0-1	.000	0-1	1.5

Softball

Big East Conference

team	conf.	pts.	overall	pct.
Villanova	6-0	12	15-12	.556
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Virginia Tech	4-4	8	28-14	.667
Providence	4-4	8	18-10	.638
Boston College	2-4	4	20-15	.571
Santa Clara	1-1	2	20-9	.690
Syracuse	1-1	2	15-15	.500
St. John's	1-1	2	13-15	.464
Connecticut	1-3	2	13-14	.481
Pittsburgh	1-3	2	14-20	.412
Rutgers	1-5	2	15-18	.455

NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Connecticut players celebrate their 70-61 win as Tennessee players walk off the court after the NCAA Championship game Tuesday in New Orleans. The win gave Connecticut their third straight national title.

Huskies complete 3-peat, win 70-61

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Make it a double for Connecticut.

Connecticut's women completed a championship sweep for the school by beating Tennessee 70-61 Tuesday night, one day after the men's team won their tournament.

With key contributions from everyone and the incomparable Diana Taurasi leading the way, the Huskies captured their third straight title by holding off the Lady Vols. It was further confirmation that Connecticut has supplanted Tennessee as the top program in the women's game.

So now there's a new Tittletown: tiny Storrs, Conn., the Huskies' home. The victory by the women followed Connecticut's win over Georgia Tech in the men's championship game Monday night, making Connecticut the first Division I school to sweep both titles.

It was the fifth title overall for the women and it came at the expense of the only other school that has won three straight championships. Tennessee and coach Pat Summitt still lead all teams with six NCAA titles, but the Huskies and coach Geno Auriemma are closing fast.

They started fast in this

one, racing to a 17-point lead in the first half. Tennessee got the lead down to six at halftime, closed to three early in the second half and trailed by just two after Brittany Jackson hit a 3-pointer from three feet behind the arc with 9:50 to play.

Connecticut got the lead back to eight, but the Lady Vols kept coming. Ashley Robinson blocked Barbara Turner's turnaround shot, raced to the other end, caught a no-look pass from Shanna Zolman and made a layup, drawing the Lady Vols to 59-55.

It would get no closer.

Willnett Crockett's three-point play, her only points

of the night, stopped Tennessee's momentum and the Huskies finished it off with free throws.

Taurasi, who has tormented Tennessee with big games against the Lady Vols throughout her career, led the Huskies with 17 points in her final college game and was named the Final Four's outstanding player for the second year in a row. And she had plenty of help.

Jessica Moore and Ann Strother each scored 14 points and Moore grabbed nine rebounds.

The Huskies are 4-0 against the Lady Vols in national championship games.

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Golden State at Portland, 9 p.m., ESPN

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Freestyle Nationals, 2:30 p.m., ESPN

IN BRIEF

Navratilova cheered in rare singles appearance

Amelia Island, Fla. — Martina Navratilova lost her first singles appearance in the United States in more than 10 years, falling to Milagros Sequera 1-6, 6-3, 6-2 Tuesday at the Bausch & Lomb Championships.

The 47-year-old Navratilova, impressive in the first set, lost the last four games of the second, and lost her serve twice to fall behind 3-0 in the third. She rallied to 3-2 down, but was broken again in the seventh game.

"I lost it mentally," Navratilova said. "I was in and out the last two sets."

Afterward, she received a standing ovation.

"It was sweet," Navratilova said. "The people were obviously excited. It was great to be out there."

Sequera was a last minute replacement for Kristina Brandi of Puerto

Rico, who withdrew because of a left foot injury.

"She's a legend," Sequera said of Navratilova. "I was a bit intimidated to play her."

Navratilova, the winner of 18 singles and 31 doubles Grand Slam events, took this event three times during the 1980s including the tournament's first title 25 years ago. She accepted a wild-card entry to help her doubles game, and to inspire others.

Thomas to face Pacers for first time as Knicks president

INDIANAPOLIS — Isiah Thomas made a familiar drive Tuesday from his family's home in Indianapolis to Conseco Fieldhouse.

This time, however, was different. The New York Knicks president was preparing to watch his first basketball game in Indianapolis since being fired in August as coach of the Pacers.

"It's definitely different," Thomas said of his commute with his wife. "I didn't feel bad or anything, it was good memories and good thoughts."

His Knicks were dominated Tuesday night, losing 107-86.

Thomas coached the Pacers from 2000-03, failing to get the team out of the first round of the playoffs each time.

He was hired by the Knicks in December to replace Scott Layden and immediately shook up the moribund franchise. He traded for Nazr Mohammed, Stephon Marbury and Tim Thomas, who have helped the Knicks get right back into the playoff picture.

When longtime adversary Larry Bird was hired as Pacers president last summer, Thomas sensed his time in Indiana was over.

"It wouldn't have mattered if we made it to the Eastern Conference Finals," said Thomas.

SMC GOLF

Belles take fifth at Invite

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

The Belles walked off the course with a collective sense of frustration at the Quincy College Invitational.

But coach Mark Hamilton is encouraged by their impatience in regards to the meet's results.

"It shows that they have the desire to do well and play their best," Hamilton said.

Saint Mary's recorded a fifth-place finish, posting a team two-day total of 698. Indiana was the top finisher with a 649.

Junior Stefanie Simmerman led the Belles with a ninth-place finish, followed by Julia Adams at

13th, Liz Hanlon at 18th, Chrissy Dunham at 20th and Nicole Bellino at 21st.

Sunday proved to be the better of the two-day invitational for the Belles. The team recorded a total of 346 strokes, with each of the players keeping their scores below 90. Bellino and Hanlon each posted 88, Dunham shot 87, Adams registered 86 and Simmerman recorded an 85. Sophomore Kirsten Fantom also scored a 101, although her results were not factored in the overall team results.

"We were a little inconsistent [on Sunday]," Hamilton said. "We were all in the 80's, but unfortunately, we were on the wrong side of 80."

The second day seemed to be more of a challenge for Saint Mary's, with the lineup posting a total of 352.

"We're still trying to put some solid scores together so we can physically and mentally peak at the NCAA championship," Hamilton said.

Simmerman bested her first day score by two strokes at 83. Adams logged an 86 and Hanlon finished with an 88. Hamilton cited Hanlon as an individual who is starting to realize her potential.

Chrissy Dunham shot a 95, and Bellino walked off the course with a 95.

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SMC TENNIS

Albion looms for the Belles

By STEVE COYER
Sports Writer

More than halfway through its season, Saint Mary's may face its toughest competition today in Albion.

With a 7-2 victory over Bethel Monday, the Belles (12-4) have won eight of their last nine matches and have a 3-0 record in the conference.

Albion (10-4) is the only team in the MIAA with a comparable record, having won 10 of its last 12 with a 3-0 record in the league.

Saint Mary's suffered a difficult 9-0 loss to Valparaiso last

weekend but looked much stronger in recent victories against Chicago and Bethel.

Freshman Grace Gordon won both her singles and doubles matches against Bethel while Kris Spriggle and Kaitlin Cutler won their doubles match to improve to 12-1 on the year.

After two straight losses, the No. 1 doubles team of Kate Bowler and Jeannie Knish gained a victory over Bethel to bring their overall record to 7-8.

Albion has proven to be the Belles' main rival in the MIAA. Last season, the Britons defeated the Belles for the overall league title, but two

years ago the situation was reversed with Saint Mary's beating Albion.

With Katie Tornga who received MIAA first-team honors last year as a freshman and the strong doubles team of Emily and Karen Dumas, Albion has easily won all of its league matches this year.

Saint Mary's has only had one close league match in a 5-4 victory over Hope. The Belles won 9-0 in their two other league matches this season.

Saint Mary's faces Albion at home today at 3 p.m.

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ND SOFTBALL

Irish split 2 games against Boilermakers

Team wins opener before dropping second game, 4-3

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Editor

After playing the role of comeback kids in the first game of Tuesday's doubleheader against Purdue, Notre Dame fell short in their comeback in game two. Notre Dame took the first game against Purdue 4-2, but fell by a score of 4-3 in extra innings in the second game.

"I don't think [the team] ever thinks a game is over," Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said.

The Irish (29-11) fell behind in the first inning in the early game with the Boilermakers (23-13) when DaQueta Johnson hit a towering shot to center, driving in Tricia Lilley from first base. But in the bottom half of the inning, the Irish came back when Meagan Ruthrauff drove in Nicole deFau with a one-run single up the middle.

In the third, Lilley hit a solo homer off the left field foul pole to put the Boilermakers ahead for the second time in the game.

It was then that Irish pitcher Heather Booth bore down, and didn't give up any more runs the rest of the way.

"Heather wasn't perfect today, but she's a fighter," Gumpf said. "She's a fighter, and that's why she is successful."

Booth also received some help from her offense in the first game. In the third, the Irish scored after a Purdue defensive miscue, tying the game at 2-2. Nicole Wicks tripled home Sara Schoonaert in the fourth to put the Irish ahead for good 3-2. The Irish added another run in the bottom of the sixth as well, as a result of another Purdue error.

"I didn't have any doubt we were going to come back,"

Gumpf said. "They've done it before. It's nothing new."

Booth finished with seven strikeouts while earning her 15th win of the season in 20 starts.

After not getting on the board early in game one, the Irish looked to change that in game two.

Stephanie Brown lead off with a single, and on a deFau bunt and Purdue threw the ball away, allowing Brown to go to third. The Irish then executed a double steal, and deFau was thrown out at second while Brown scored the first Notre Dame run.

But that was all for the Irish, who had trouble scoring against Purdue's Diana LaRiva.

"[She] did a great job," Gumpf said. "We got behind in the count all the time, and we let her hurt us."

While LaRiva held the Irish, teammate Staci Falzon gave her pitcher support by hitting a solo shot to centerfield. This tied the game, and it stayed that way until the top of the eighth, the first extra inning.

Irish pitcher Steffany Stenglein issued a leadoff walk, and two batters later, Erika Peterson hit a home run to put Purdue up 3-1. Johnson, the next batter, followed with a homer of her own, giving the Boilermakers a three-run cushion going into the bottom of the inning. Gumpf cited the lack of movement on Stenglein's pitches that hurt her in the final inning.

But the Irish weren't done. They still had fight left going into the bottom of the eighth down three. After Ruthrauff walked, the next two batters made an out. But Schoonaert hit a double to center, scoring Ruthrauff. Next up was Carissa Jaquish, who laced a triple to score Schoonaert. But Nicole Wicks popped out to right to end the rally, giving Purdue the 4-3 victory.

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BASEBALL

Irish fight off scare from Cougars, win big

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Senior Staff Writer

Chicago State gave No. 5 Notre Dame a scare Tuesday night.

And then the Irish starters came in the game.

The Cougars (1-27) jumped out to a 3-0 lead playing against many Irish reserves before Notre Dame coach Paul Mainieri put his starters into the game into the fifth inning.

From there, the Irish (23-3) rolled to a 15-5 victory over the outmatched Cougars.

"I hated to take those kids all out," Mainieri said. "I wasn't upset with all of them, but there was a little bit of a lack of intensity that I expected from some guys. ... The bottom line is we went through the lineup twice and had only one hit."

After the regulars entered the game in the fifth, the Irish batters went 11-for-23 and put 15 runs on the scoreboard in just four innings.

Chicago State jumped out to the early lead in the third when Cougar batters strung together four consecutive hits with two outs against Irish starter Chris Vasami. Chicago State first baseman Derrick Bass capped off the scoring for the Cougars with a two-run double to the gap in right center.

In the top of the fifth, a concerned Mainieri made a slew of substitutions with his team down 3-0, sending Sean Gaston to catch, Matt Edwards to first, Greg Lopez to shortstop, Matt Macri to third, Cody Rizzo to center and Craig Cooper to right. The only Irish position players that remained in the game were Steve Andres, who moved from catcher to right field, and Javi Sanchez, who started the game at second base in place of the injured Steve Sollmann.

"I just felt like this team has worked too hard this year to get [in] this position," Mainieri said. "At that point, I felt like it was necessary to put our regulars in there to score some runs and play a little bit more steady defense, and it worked out well for us in the end."

The move paid off, indeed, as the Irish put five runs on the board in the bottom half of the inning to take the lead. Sanchez had a two-run single in the inning, and Edwards cleared the bases with a three-run double.

The Irish added a run in the sixth on a solo home run from Macri. They would get two more runs in the seventh on a two-run homer from designated hitter Matt Bransfield — his sixth in the last 12 games.

Chicago State cut into the Irish lead in the eighth as second baseman Jonathan Sakurai got a bases loaded walk, and centerfielder Dave Walter was hit by a pitch in the next at bat. Irish reliever Dan Kapala struck out the next batter, shortstop Elliot Reyes, to end the inning and keep the Irish lead at 8-5.

But that would be as close as the Cougars would get, as the



TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

Second baseman Javi Sanchez attempts to tag out a Chicago State runner Tuesday afternoon. Sanchez had three hits and collected a pair of RBIs in Notre Dame's 15-5 victory.

Irish scored seven runs in the bottom half of the inning, getting four straight singles from Rizzo, Macri, Sanchez and Andres, and a grand slam from Cooper.

Macri finished the game 3-for-3 at the plate, and Edwards was 2-for-2 with four RBIs. Sanchez added a 3-for-5 performance with two RBIs and a pair of

runs scored.

"When I put the regulars in, I thought they played pretty well," Mainieri said. "They hit the ball hard and made the plays. Matt Macri stayed real hot, and Cooper and Bransfield had some great swings."

Freshman pitcher Rico Bertucci picked up the win for the Irish — his first of the year

— and Kapala earned the save, as he entered the game in the eighth with the Irish up only three runs and stayed on to finish the game.

Notre Dame returns to action today hosting Valparaiso (4-17) at Frank Eck Stadium at 6 p.m.

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Bookstore

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into the competitive world of Bookstore Basketball. The game was close, tied 11-10 at halftime, until Team Thiz pulled away at the end for the win.

"We held our own against Team Thiz, probably because their leopard print thongs didn't intimidate us like they had hoped," said Something Sexy's leading scorer, Marin Hinzpeter.

She combined with Tiffney Gulick for the majority of Something Sexy's points, with small forward Kate Gales adding the occasional unexpected basket.

Nicole Garton was a premier defensive player, and Carolyn White was dominant in the paint for Something Sexy.

"We're looking forward to the next round," Bott said. "We'll show off our thizzes a little more and maybe play some basketball."

Sex, Drugs, and House 21, Feline Taxidermists 17

It wasn't curiosity that killed the cat. It was promiscuity and drug addiction.

Sex, Drugs, and House celebrated its 21-17 victory over the Feline Taxidermist's during the second round of the Bookstore Basketball Tournament.

Despite both teams appearing to be evenly matched by their height and athleticism, it was House who triumphed in enthusiasm as they had matching shirts, music blaring in the background, "There's no way out ... Sex, Drugs, and House," and players shouting after every

point.

Heading into halftime, House held an 11-9 lead over the Taxidermists.

Although House held an advantage, they were aware of Taxidermists' determination to persevere.

"They're penetrating hard," House player Griffin Eaton said.

Beginning the second half, the Taxidermists began to break through the House defense as they closed within 17-16 towards the end of the game and took advantage of a series of turnovers.

However, House came back to go on a 4-1 run to secure the victory.

Despite a hard fought win, House did not seem too overconfident heading into the second round.

"We're probably going to get wasted at the next game," Eaton said. "A ranked team will probably annihilate us but we just wanted to do well in the first round."

Craig Fencing 21, Pain Train 4

This train proved to be painless as Craig Fencing dominated 21-4 in their second-round match-up.

Despite the lopsided victory, Craig Fencing guard Alex Harty was impressed with their competitor's determination.

"We took it a little easy on them, but they made a lot of jumpers that most girls teams wouldn't make," Harty said. "In the second half they stopped scoring, but they never gave up."

After two match-ups against two female teams, Craig Fencing must face a ranked opponent in the third round.

"We had a great time these first two rounds, but now it is

time to see how we match up against a ranked opponent," Craig Fencing player Tommy Forr said.

Dolly Parton, Boat Club and Three Other Huge Busts 21, Tito, Germaine, Marlon, Janet, and Another Guy that Takes a Lot of Charges 15

Their own size couldn't stop the Dolly Parton, Boat Club, and Three Other Huge Busts. Neither could their opponents.

The team dubbed Tito, Germaine, Marlon, Janet, and Another Guy that Takes a Lot of Charges succumbed to Dolly Parton's basketball prowess 21-15.

Although Dolly Parton's players hover around 5-foot-7, the team overwhelmed their opponents, taking an early lead.

"Seven early 3-point shots gave Dolly Parton an early lead — one which they never relinquished. The team was ahead 11-5 at halftime and maintained a four-point lead throughout the game."

The game grew physical as the Dolly Parton neared the win.

"The big man got me!" screamed a Tito, Germaine, Marlon, Janet, and Another Guy that Takes a Lot of Charges player in response to Dolly Parton's senior Mike Goolsby's rebounding.

Freshman David Duffey's final basket ensured the win for Dolly Parton and extended their Bookstore Basketball run. The team is set to face law students next game.

"We'll be bringing the big guns for next game," freshman Colin Laughlin said.

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Ohio

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out. It's just basic, basic team defense."

Though Dobbie scored a game-high four goals on the day, her total accounted for half of her team's points, as the Irish severely restricted the rest of the Bobcat offense.

The win stretches the team's perfect record to 9-0, and the Irish have won a school

record 13 consecutive games dating back to last season. Kinnik feels that the team's success is the fruition of confidence that has always there.

"It's given us some confidence but I think we had that from the get-go," she said. "Now that we've actually been winning games, it's a tangible accomplishment for us now."

Notre Dame was slow to get out of the gate against the Bobcats, often stuck in its defensive end. Ohio's sustained attack kept the Irish offense at bay, but the Bobcats trouble scoring as well.

With the game tied at two, the floodgates opened when midfield/defender Kassen Delano put the ball in the back of the net with 17:54 left to go in the half. Notre Dame then scored four of the next five goals to extend its advantage.

After a Bobcat goal, the Irish went into halftime with a 7-4 lead. After the break, the Irish scored five of the next six goals to provide all the margin they would need.

The Bobcats never got closer than three points in the second half, but coach Tracy Coyne felt like the Irish did not establish complete control.

"It's a win, but I just don't feel like we ever had a flow to the game," she said. "I wish we would have controlled it a little bit more."

Coyne's refusal to sit on the laurels of current accomplishments is a sentiment shared by her team as well.

"I think we did pretty well [but] we could have done a lot better," Kinnik said. "We just need to keep pushing forward to the next

games and not focus on our rankings or what our record is."

And that is the type of leadership that Coyne feels makes this team special and capable of achieving even more as the season progresses.

"I've been coaching for a long time and sometimes there's that intangible that you recognize in a great team, and I think we have that," she said. "We have the athleticism, the speed, the heart, but most of all we have the leadership and the desire to get it done."

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"We just need to keep pushing forward to the next games."

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Holiday

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back in 2002, Willingham's first season at Notre Dame, and helped the team to a 10-3 record and a No. 17 ranking. He struggled early last season, however, going 1-2 to start the season and officially being replaced by Quinn starting with Notre Dame's fourth game of the year, against Purdue.

With Quinn running the team's offense, Holiday began to contribute as a wide receiver, and received two starts at the position during the team's games against Stanford and Syracuse.

Last year, Holiday caught two passes for 13 yards, but also contributed as a blocker on numerous plays. His role with the team figures to be larger this season.

"Hopefully we can get him geared up to where he can focus and put all of his attention on being a receiver and making a major contribution to our football team in that regard," Willingham said. "Even on special teams, he could be our returner — maybe our punt returner or even kickoff returner."

The Irish coaches hope that allowing Holiday to focus primarily on the wide receiver position will allow him to put all of his attention at improving at the position.

"You kind of have to let him play the wide receiver," Irish offensive coordinator Bill



Irish wide receiver Carlyle Holiday tries to catch a pass in Notre Dame's game against Syracuse last season.

Diedrick said. "If you go back and split the two it's not fair because he's not going to benefit and get the full learning experience at receiver."

Holiday was primarily recruited by Davie because of his foot speed, and the wide receiver is a position where he feels he will be most able to use those talents. Former Notre Dame player Arnaz Battle made a similar transition, starting the 2000 season at quarterback before seeing his season end due to a wrist injury in the second game of the year.

He returned to the team in

2001 as a wide receiver and contributed, but it wasn't until his senior season in 2002 that Battle really showed his talent. Battle led the team in receiving that year, collecting 58 receptions for 786 yards and five touchdowns.

"[Watching Battle make a similar transition] definitely helps," Holiday said. "It also helps that I've been in the system a year longer than he had."

"But to see what he's done

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responded in the third when Audrey Gajor began the inning with a double to right center.

Bridget Grall walked and Angie Ellison singled, loading the bases for Laura Helene who knocked in two runs on a fielder's choice.

Calvin scored another run in the fourth to tie the score at 2.

But the Belles showed why they have been winning as of late by coming back with two more of their own runs in the bottom half of the inning.

An Erin Sullivan double along with two more doubles by Gajor and Grall scored two runs and put the Belles ahead for good.

They added one more run in the sixth when Sullivan came home on a Calvin throwing error.

For the game, Kate Sajewich pitched well, going all seven innings and only giving up two runs.

In game two of the double-header, the Knights jumped out first again with a run in the bottom of the first.

After that, neither team was able to put any runs on the scoreboard until the top of the sixth.

Saint Mary's finally got its bats going when Ellison doubled to left and Laura Helene followed two batters later with another double.

Ellison came home to give

the Belles their first run in the nightcap.

After holding Calvin scoreless in the bottom of the sixth, the Belles pounded out two more in the seventh to take their first lead of the game.

Sullivan started off with a single and advanced to second on an error.

With two outs, Grall came to the plate and delivered with an inside the park home run, making the score 3-1 in favor of the Belles.

Things looked very promising for a Saint Mary's double-header sweep until disaster struck in the bottom of the seventh.

Calvin opened the inning with a double to right center. This was followed by a Saint Mary's error, placing runners on the corners with no outs.

A steal by the runner on first and then a sacrifice fly cut the score to 3-2.

A pinch hitter was called in for the Knights who belted a two-run homer that ended the game with Saint Mary's losing 4-3.

The loss dropped Libby Wilhelmy to 4-7 on the season.

The Belles' next game comes on Thursday at 3:30 p.m. as they take on Hope College.

Saint Mary's has two more conference doubleheaders left and cannot afford any more losses if they wish to qualify for the fourth and last playoff spot.

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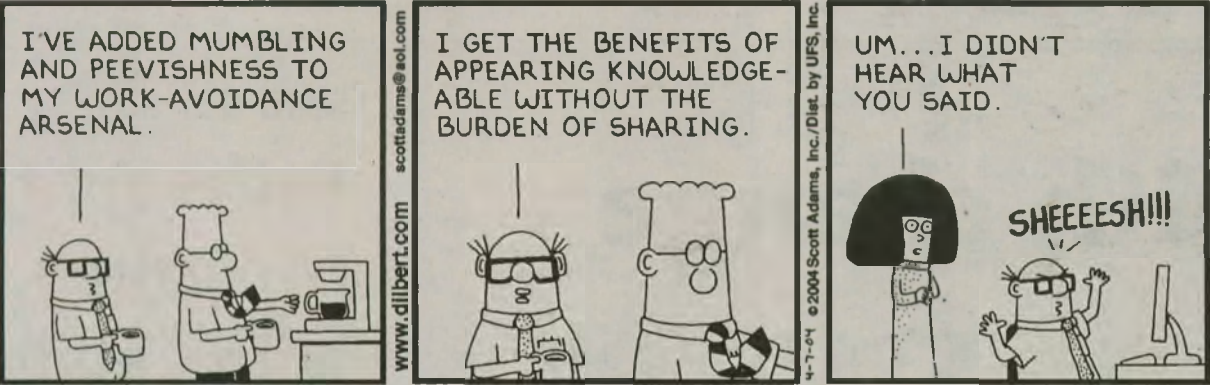
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49 Sword conqueror

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51 Word processing command

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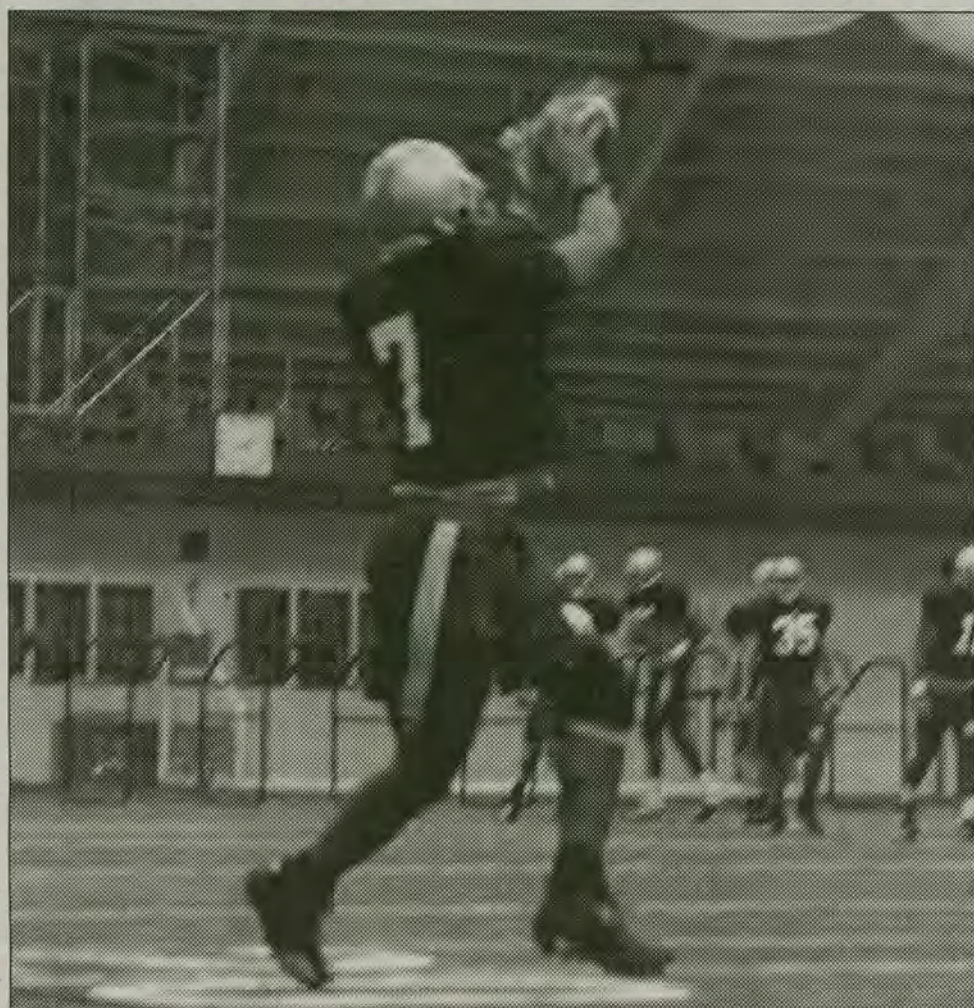
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FOOTBALL

Dealing with change

Holiday comfortable converting to wide receiver position



PAMELA LOCK/The Observer

Irish wide receiver Carlyle Holiday catches a pass in the team's first practice of the season. Holiday hopes to contribute at his new position next season.

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Changing positions is never easy for a player. For Carlyle Holiday, it's been even more difficult, having to move from being the team's starting quarterback to a receiver who hardly ever saw any passes last season.

Holiday has been practicing this spring as a full-time receiver, completely phasing out any repetitions at the quarterback position. Brady Quinn wrested control of the position away from Holiday last season, and the senior knows the team is basically Quinn's now.

"[The coaches and I] have discussed everything and if things go as we expect in the spring, then I think there's going to be no need for me to go back [to playing quarterback]," Holiday said. "If any situations come up things might change but right now we're just hoping everything goes to plan."

Holiday is making his second major transition of his college career. Recruited as an option quarterback to run former head coach Bob Davie's offense, Holiday was forced to change gears to run coach Tyrone Willingham's pro-style-based offensive system.

"It's been difficult having to continuously change roles, but it's expected in college sports," Holiday said. "Before I got here my high school coach told me that things can change everyday, and I just tried to be prepared when things happen and to be able to take advantage of those opportunities."

Holiday was the team's starting quarter-

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SMC SOFTBALL

Belles split two games with Calvin

Belles' four-game winning streak comes to an end

By JUSTIN STETZ
Sports Writer

The Belles' winning streak finally came to an end Tuesday, but not before they were able to hand Calvin its first MIAA loss of the season.

The Knights came into the game with a record of 4-0 in conference play and in second place behind Alma College.

The Belles defeated Calvin 5-2 before falling 4-3 in the second game of the double-header.

Last year, Saint Mary's dropped both games to Calvin, losing 11-2 and 5-3.

Splitting the pair lets the Belles improve to 11-13 overall with a 4-4 record in the conference. They are currently in fifth place and have one more loss than fourth place Albion.

Calvin got on the board first scoring one run in the first inning.

However, the Belles

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXIII

Field narrowed down in early rounds

By DAN TAPETILLO
Sports Writer

The NBA it was not, but Tuesday's Team Thiz/Something Sexy matchup was everything one would expect from a first-round bookstore basketball game.

A sense of humor and good-natured playfulness was the mood at the McGlinn courts as five men wearing visible thongs ("thizzes") took on five girls in green togas.

Although Team Thiz beat Something Sexy 21-15, the game was enjoyed by both sides.

"This is our third year for Team Thiz and we were hoping for a win this year," said captain Mike Bott. "The biggest thing was that we give the people what they want to see. We were a little disappointed in our



CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer

Two teams participate in a Bookstore Basketball game at the Hammes Bookstore courts early Tuesday evening.

halftime show but hopefully next round will be better."

Nicolas Lopez, Carlos Cabral, Mike Kirsch and Matt Lafrotta rounded out Team Thiz's deep lineup. Cabral was a force inside as center, with Lafrotta

and Lopez providing quick points in transition and Kirsch solid in all areas.

The freshmen of Something Sexy celebrated their first foray

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Irish defeat Ohio for ninth victory

By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

Mix eight parts balanced offense with eight parts stingy defense, and the result is a recipe for success good for nine servings.

The third-ranked Irish (9-0) used the same formula they have employed throughout the season to beat the Ohio Bobcats (5-4) Tuesday afternoon by a 13-8 score. Eight different players tallied goals for the Irish, led by midfielder Meredith Simon's three scores. Five other players had two or more points for Notre Dame.

The defense continued its subjugation of opposing offens-

es — holding Ohio without a goal for over 16 minutes during one second-half stretch. Stifling yet another opposition offense, Notre Dame kept its seventh opponent under double-digit goals. Only California and Virginia Tech have managed to chalk up more than 10 points against the Irish.

However, talented Ohio freshman Dana Dobbie provided a challenge to the miserly Notre Dame defenders. Having scored 11 goals in her last two games, veteran midfielder Andrea Kinnik shadowed the rookie all game.

"She's a very good player," Kinnik said, "But it was a whole team effort to try and keep her

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

BASEBALL

Notre Dame 15,
Chicago St. 5

The Irish survive an early scare from the Cougars, but go on to an easy victory.

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ND SOFTBALL

Notre Dame 4, 3
Purdue 2, 4

The Irish split a non-conference series against the Boilermakers.

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SMC GOLF

Saint Mary's
finishes fifth

The Belles were led by Stefanie Simmerman's 168 over the two rounds.

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SMC TENNIS

Saint Mary's at
Albion

The Belles face their MIAA rival in a key match.

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NCAA WOMEN'S BB

Connecticut 70,
Tennessee 61

The Huskies won their third straight national championship.

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MLB

Tigers 7,
Blue Jays 3

The Detroit Tigers are off to their best start in 18 seasons.

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