

Spring into April Movies

The Observer movie critics check out the box office's latest offerings, including "Death to Smoochy" and "High Crimes."

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ND student alleges gang rape

◆ Alleged victim accuses 1 former, 3 current Irish football players

By HELENA PAYNE News Editor

St. Joseph County police are investigating the alleged gang rape of a 20-year-old female Notre Dame student by four male Notre Dame students.

Maj. Bob Finn, public information officer for the St. Joseph County Sheriff's Department, said the alleged

rape occurred at about 4 a.m. on March 28 in a house near Indiana 23 and Ironwood Road, just outside South Bend city limits.

In an interview with The Observer Wednesday, the alleged victim said she was assaulted by three Notre Dame football players currently on the spring roster and one former member of the team. Police would not confirm that information, but the alleged victim said the men were her acquaintances.

Because of the high profile of the alleged assailants, the alleged victim said she waited five days before going to the hospital and nine days before filing a report with police.

"I just imagined turning on the TV and seeing my face on ESPN," said the alleged victim, adding that she was unsure of her rights at the time.

Notre Dame is also privately investigating the situation as a matter of procedure, according to University spokesman Dennis Moore.

"The University is aware of a police investigation involving Notre Dame students," Moore said. "In such circumstances the University also conducts its own investigation according to

its student disciplinary procedures."

No players were suspended from football practice Tuesday for disciplinary reasons, John Heisler, associate athletic director, told The Associated Press. The team does not practice on Wednesdays during the spring.

"There are University guidelines that govern all students," Notre Dame head football coach Tyrone Willingham said after Tuesday's practice. "We are no different. We work by those and through those."

The alleged victim told South Bend police she left a local bar with the four male students expecting to go to an off-campus party. However, she said she realized there was no party when she reached the house.

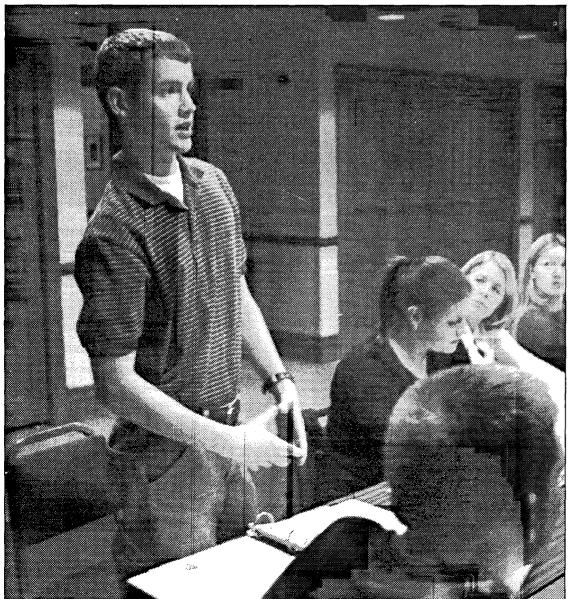
The woman told police she tried to resist, but she was unable to escape from the men, who each allegedly raped her. Afterward, one of the alleged attackers drove the woman back to campus.

Over the course of three hours earlier in the night, the alleged victim said she had had no more than three alcoholic

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SENATE

Senate tables budget proposal



TONY FLOYD/The Observer

Stanford Hall Senator Kevin Connolly addresses the Senate at Wednesday's meeting. The Senate tabled the FMB's budget until a later meeting.

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

The Financial Management Board presented its budget to the Senate for approval on Wednesday; however, the senators opted to table the budget until the meeting for review.

The issue questioned by several senators was the FMB's decision to pay off the \$47,890 debt incurred by the Business Board and Carry Forward Fund. The Carry Forward Fund allocates funds for programming by organizations that surpassed their allotted budgets.

"I am concerned that they are paying off the entire debt now with our money when it should be used for students next year," said Jason Creek, Knott Hall senator.

Andrew Oxenreiter, student union treasurer, emphasized that the debt that has accumulated over the past years should be paid off now that the opportunity is present. Oxenreiter contributed this debt to the "messes that were left behind by past administrations."

One of the reasons behind this year's student activity fee increase was to pay off the Student Union debt. According to Oxenreiter, the Student Union has been in debt the past five to six years due to the disorganization of previous budgets and the financial losses of such student

Ex-marshal to head Saint Mary's security

By SARAH RYKOWSKI News Writer

For another two weeks, Saint Mary's will have two directors of security.

Michael Carrington joined the College's security force April 1 and will replace Richard Chlebek when the latter retires April 19.

"They're both here and working together," Keith Dennis, Saint Mary's vice president of finance and administration, said. "We thought it would be a good idea for them to overlap for three weeks. They worked together as young cops and have known each other for 30 years."

Carrington, a former U.S. marshal during the Clinton administration, brings three decades of experience in law enforcement to the job.

Carrington was appointed by then-President Clinton in 1994 and served as the U.S. marshal for Northern Indiana for eight years. He also served as director of campus security and parking operations at Indiana University South Bend for 15 years. Before coming to Saint Mary's, Dennis was the vice chancellor for business affairs at IUSB and as such, was Carrington's boss.

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Inside Column

Nuclear peace?

With the ongoing violence in the Middle East, the ever-present threat of terrorist attack and the general uncertainty and fear of violence in the world today, peace has never seemed more far off than it does today. Every

day, it seems we are all deluged with headlines of suicide bombings and more harsh and violent rhetoric being laid out by leaders around the world.

The events of the last year or so have prompted much alarm among many, including the advancing of the famed doomsday clock, which measures the likelihood of nuclear war. The movement of the clock several weeks back to its closest position ever to midnight, which represents



Joe Ackerman

News Copy Editor

nuclear war, represented a dramatic statement about the state of affairs the world is in right

The greatest fear of most when it comes to war and terrorist attack involves the use of nuclear weapons. Only twice before in our history have these weapons been used, by the U.S. in World War II, but those weapons that were used over a half a century ago pale in comparison to the destructive force of the types of weapons that are in existence today.

Contrary to what many may think, the presence of nuclear weapons in the world represents a powerful deterrent of war. Any state with nuclear weapons realizes three basic facts. First, they are well aware of the destructive capabilities of the weapons they possess. Second, they know how expensive, fragile and vulnerable the weapons can be, thus they will use high levels of security to protect their investments and prevent theft or accident. Finally, and most important, states realize that as long as there are other countries that have nuclear weapons and oppose the use of them against other countries, retaliation would be inevitable.

Thus, no state with any desire to remain intact would ever dare use nuclear weapons against another because it would most certainly face total destruction in response to a nuclear attack. It is hard to imagine any scenario in which any nation would ever be able to launch nuclear weapons without facing an immediate retaliatory strike from another nuclear power that would feel threatened, thus they are rendered virtually unusable.

Therefore, these very weapons that are such a source of fear for many actually have the opposite effect of discouraging conflicts. Although individual states are highly unlikely to ever use nuclear weapons themselves, they still remain fearful and uncertain as to how other states will behave. This fact serves as a force toward peace, because states are hesitant to partake in actions or policies that would potentially anger a nuclear power and lead to the escalation of a conflict to the nuclear level. The Cold War is the perfect example of this, in that each time nuclear war seemed inevitable. such as in the Cuban Missile Crisis, a diplomatic or otherwise solution was arrived at before the conflict escalated.

Thus, a doomsday scenario such as in Stanley Kubrick's Dr. Strangelove, where a military overeager to use a nuclear weapon ends up bringing about doomsday, is highly unlikely given the nature of states in today's world.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Thursday

◆ Lecture: Edison Lecture and Marconi Award, McKenna Hall Auditorium, 3 p.m.

◆ Mass: Mass for victims and survivors of sexual assault, Log Cabin Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Friday

- ◆ Lecture: "Brick by Brick: The struggle to cement relations between Northern Ireland's Catholics and Protestants," Law School Room 120, noon
- ◆ Comedy: Comedy Sportz, Library Auditorium, 9 p.m.

Saturday

- ◆ Dorm Event: Fisher Regatta, Saint Mary's Lake, 1 p.m.
- ◆ Bonfire: Bonfire with live music by Tim Bradley, Jason Brown and Christina Castrillo, Holy Cross Hill, 9 p.m.

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

USC students upset by skyrocketing cigarette prices

LOS ANGELES, Calif. James Lee slammed his wallet on the counter and cursed after asking for a pack of cigarettes at Commons Tuesday. The cashier said the total would be \$7.35 with sales tax.

"What?" he asked in disbelief, making her repeat the new price. He handedher the money and walked away with a dumbfounded look on his face, swearing he never would buy a pack of cigarettes at University of Southern California again.

A \$1.94 increase was imposed on all cigarettes Monday in Commons because of an unexplained 33-cent hike Philip Morris introduced last week, said Ronald Ranasinghe, director of retail operations.

Core-Mark, USC's cigarette vendor, informed Ranasinghe two weeks ago of the 33-cent rise. Core-Mark added



5 cents for holding costs, which brought the total increase on USC cigarette sales to \$1.25.

Because of this increase Ranasinghe said he was forced to add \$1.56 to make up for the losses. If he had kept cigarettes at the original \$4.85 price, USC would be at a 74 percent loss in labor and storage costs. At \$6.79, the price without sales tax added, Ranasinghe barely covers all of his expenses because most of the money

must go toward labor and storage costs.

"I would have never increased the price if our vendor would not have increased it," Ranasinghe said. "I try not to make any price changes, butwhen there's a huge difference like this I have to pass it down. A 26 percent profit isn't even enough to pay for labor costs.'

Although Scott Henderson, Core-Mark district sales manager said the hike came as a result of a California cigarette tax increase imposed on Phillip Morris, Rich Peterson, a business taxes representative of the California Board of Equalization, said the last time the state tax was raised was in 1999. The department handles all types of cigarette taxes for the

Daily Trojan

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

\$40,000 grant sparks scandal

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

Accused of receiving nearly \$40,000 from Taiwan to fund his Harvard studies in exchange for negotiating Taiwanese interests into a U.S.-Japan defense agreement, a former Harvard fellow on Tuesday denied knowing the ultimate source of the money that is at the heart of a growing scandal.

According to recent press reports, Masahiro Akiyama, who had been affiliated with Harvard's Asia Center as a distinguished fellow, is allegedly part of an expanding international scandal involving diplomats from the U.S., Japan, South Africa, Nicaragua and Panama paid to advance the interests of Taiwan.

Numerous reports allege that James Kelly, a top Bush administration official, was responsible for channeling money from Taiwan to Akiyama when he headed the Pacific Forum of Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Harvard Crimson

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Computer addiction problematic

The high-speed Internet lines found in nearly every dorm room and residence on campus can be a blessing for students whose computers are a central tool for communication and schoolwork. For other students, the computer becomes more than a tool, it becomes an addiction.

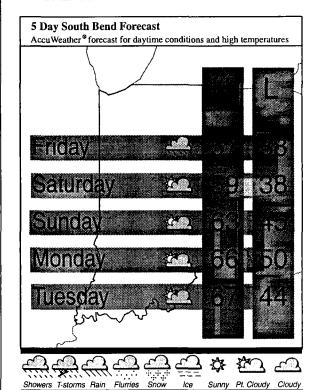
Computer addiction interferes with sleep cycles, time devoted to homework and hurts relations with friends, according to Dr. Maressa Hecht Orzack, a Harvard University psychologist and founder of the Computer Addiction Services at McLean Hospital in Belmont.

While most people use the computer to search for a particular article or to check e-mail, computer addicts use the computer to escape into a fantasyworld, according to Orzack. They have low selfesteem, and are looking for ways to lower their anxiety level.

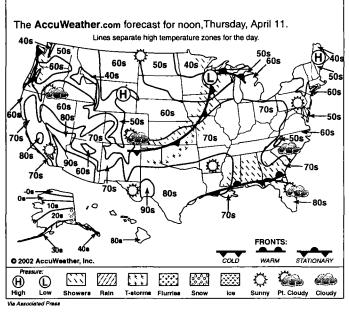
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ND reorganizes PR dept.

Moore assumes vice president position, Cullinan becomes assistant vice president

By HELENA PAYNE News Editor

Notre Dame Vice President of Public Affairs and Communications Lou Nanni has recently announced the reorganization of the office

as well as the two new selections οf Dennis Moore as the department's associate vice president and the new

assistant vice president,

Shannon Cullinan.

After years of holding Public Affairs Communication under the larger umbrella of University Relations, Nanni and Moore said the new configuration could enhance the public relations office to better fulfill the mission of the University.

"There needs to be an organization that can concentrate solely on media relations," said Nanni.

These concentrations will include two new departments: news and information and marketing communica-

"In that kind of a situation,

public relations and communications activity kind of tended to be overshadowed by development and alumni relations," Moore said.

The restructuring of Public Affairs was actually instituted in July 2001, but the University has yet to announce who will head the two newest departments under the division. Nanni said the University would likely announce the person to head news and information within the next few months and the marketing head during the summer.

The new division of Public Affairs will also cover the

area's community relations, public relations, Notre Dame Magazine, marketing communications and government affairs.

Nanni said the division's associate vice president Moore has acquired a "track record for

excellence" during his 14 years of working in University public relations.

"I believe this position at Notre Dame is going to be very much suited to Denny's strength," said Nanni.

Moore, a graduate of Notre Dame and one of the founding members of The Observer newspaper, has been with the University since 1988.

"He has a wonderful Contact Helena Payne at appreciation for Notre Dame payne.30@nd.edu.

and what it stands for," Nanni said.

Cullinan, the assistant vice president of Public Affairs, is also familiar with the University as a 1993 accounting graduate.

"I'm excited to be back at Notre Dame," said Cullinan who came from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School to complete his MBA in the Mendoza College of Business. " I feel like it's my second accep-

Cullinan, who has started businesses for profit and not-for-profit, worked with Nanni for more than four

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Lou Nanni

Vice President of Public Affairs

and Communications

years at the Center for the Homeless as a controller and the associate executive director prior to coming to Notre Dame for sec-

ond.

brings tremendous talent and a great deal of energy," Nanni said.

Cullinan said he would also be involved in projects pertinent to the local South Bend community.

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SMC alcohol policy unaffected by ND

By NATALIE BAILEY News Writer

Saint Mary's alcohol policy is not going to change anytime soon, campus officials said.

Despite recent revisions in the Notre Dame policy, Saint Mary's administrators believe that the current codes are effective and appropriate for the residence life that exists on campus.

The policy, consistent with Indiana law, states that students under the age of 21 may not possess, consume, provide, manufacture or sell any quantity of alcohol on campus. Additionally, underage students may not be present at any gathering where alcohol is present, whether they are drinking or not. However, students of age may use alcohol in student rooms provided they use it responsibly and follow the guidelines outlined in the

These guidelines prohibit drinking games and public intoxication among other things.

Jaillene Erickson, Holy Cross Hall director, said there's an important purpose for the rules. "Saint Mary's alcohol policy is for the protection and the safety of the students."

Junior Mary Brown said, "When I first came to Saint Mary's, I always compared our policies to Notre Dame. but now, as a resident advisor, I agree with the policies. After dealing with vomit on the stairs and being in an authoritative position, I realize that [Residence Life] is looking out for the welfare of the students."

Saint Mary's has experienced relatively few problems with the policies in the past and does not foresee an increase in the near future, officials said. As far as documentation of violations, there has been a minimal problem enforcing the alcohol policy this year.

"There have been just as many documentations for other violations as there have been for the misuse of alcohol," Erickson said.

Brown agreed.

"As far as I am concerned, violation of the policy has been a minimal problem this year," she said. "If you are 21, you should be able to have alcohol in your room if it is used appropriately. This works as long as it is enforced that you must be

If documented for an alcohol violation, a student may have a hearing or informational meeting where a preponderance of evidence will determine the violation and a sanction may be issued. This sanction ranges from an official letter of reprimand to a required leave of absence, depending on the severity of the violation.

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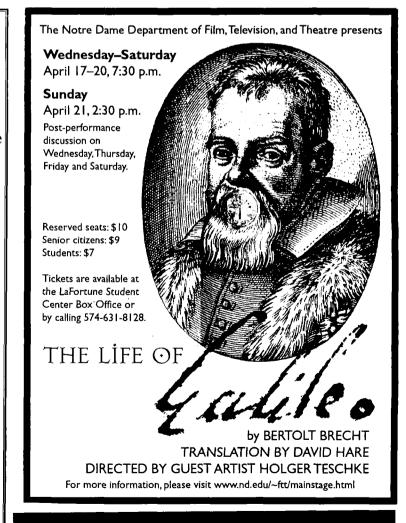
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Bishop and Foley outline term goals

By PAM RONSON News Writer

Libby Bishop and Trip Foley are making changes to student government designed to create new ways of programming and coordinating between existing clubs.

Concerns have been raised as to what new things will be combined or created under the Bishop/Foley administration. New to their administration and "Who Knew?" ads that currently run weekly in The Observer.

"[The ads] communicate to students about services and things that already exist, but they might not know about them," Foley said. "For example, that students can cash a paycheck in the Dome building, and the existence of Greenfield's Café, located in the Hesburgh Center, across from the Morris Inn."

Bishop and Foley worked to create an extensive Public Relations division under their administration. It created in-depth focus groups, organized groups for students polls, wrote press releases and updated the three-year-old student government Web site. They also addressed the efficiency of the space currently used for The Maximum Student Resource Center (The Maxx) in the lounge of LaFortune.

Both intend to work with already existing forces that serve the students on campus to better the students' lives. Bishop recently spoke with the head of the Student Services Committee Division about a possible "Flex 10" for those students who often do not eat the allotted 14 meals per week available through the current "Flex 14" plan. Bishop and Foley also are looking to expand the routes of the Saint Mary's shuttle to include bus stops at Meijer, University Park Mall and downtown South Bend.

The administration also appointed two new programming liaisons. One will act as the liaison for Bishop and Foley by working closely with the Hall Presidents Council and the Student Union Board. The other liaison will work closely with all the student clubs on campus and with each of the Class Councils. Both liaisons will be expected to attend the weekly meetings of the groups they mediate

"The goal is to better student life in all areas and aspects on this campus, allowing for programming, collaboration and combination among all student groups to ultimately bring the student body closer together," said Pat Hallahan, chief of staff for Bishop and Foley.

In the midst of all of these changes, Joyce DeLeon, former Diversity Division co-chair for the

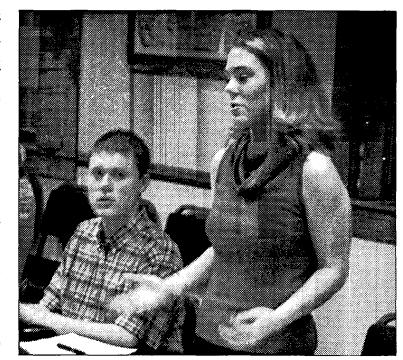
2001-02 year, is concerned about the future of her former division, she said. Though Bishop and Foley do not intend to cut this division, they hope to combine it with other areas.

The new grouping may be labeled the Cultural Division, potentially cutting some programming and leading to greater collaboration with the Multicultural Student Programs and Services and other multicultural clubs on campus.

"I'm worried because I know that the Diversity Chair laid its first foundations in the O'Donoghue/Norton administration, and has been two years in the making of building it up steadily since then," DeLeon said.

Deleon worked to coordinate the Multicultural Fair where more than 400 people attended the event. The Diversity Division also sponsored the Educational Forum where lectures and panels were held addressing topics such as race, religion and sexual orientation.

"Without the support of Student Government, such high attendance would not have been possible," DeLeon said. Many more students attended these events because "they felt less like a targeted minority and more like a regular student all because the name of Student Government was behind



TONY FLOYD/The Observer

Student Body President Libby Bishop addresses the student senate on Wednesday night.

Bishop and Foley intend to keep the Vision/Social Concerns division, run by junior Katherine Walsh.

"Libby, Trip and I all met together and sat down to talk about my division and we ended up keeping it. I felt like they listened to what I had to say and that it was important enough to all of us to go ahead

and continue with it," said Walsh.
"From my perspective, both
administrations that I have worked
with do an excellent job with their
readiness to help and in their willingness to listen."

Contact Pam Ronson at pronson@nd.edu.

LEWIS CRUSH 2002

Ask These Boys What They Did To Get Invited:

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Andy Haines
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Luke Slonkowsky
John Walsh

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Greg Tait
Brad Wanchulak

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Congratulations to all those invited! Please join us later today in front of Lewis for the CRUSH Barbecue at 5:30...See ya then!

WORLD NATION

World News Briefs

Colombian guerrillas free hostages: Rebels released 11 hostages Wednesday with a message demanding the Colombian government reject any U.S. assistance to protect a crucial oil pipeline. The National Liberation Army, or ELN, had kidnapped the 10 mayors, congressmen, city officials and one Roman Catholic priest, all from Arauca state, last week. "It was a kidnapping as a way to pressure the national government," freed congress-

Ebola outbreak pinned on gorilla:

man William Reyes told The Associated Press.

Contact with an infected gorilla triggered an ebola outbreak that killed a reported 53 people in Gabon, the World Health Organization said. Health workers traced the outbreak to a gorilla found in the remote north of the central African nation in the Ogooue-Ivindo province. The remains tested positive for the ebola virus at a lab in France, WHO said Tuesday.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Energy regulation ban rejected:

The Senate on Wednesday rejected a proposal, inspired by the Enron collapse, that would have required federal regulation of financial contracts used to speculate on energy prices. Working through provisions of the energy bill, senators also moved closer to an expected confrontation over drilling in an Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

Day of Silence promotes solidarity:

Thousands of high school and college students around the nation vowed not to speak Wednesday to protest anti-gay bias in schools. The silence is meant to draw attention to the isolation that can drive gay students to higher rates of suicide and substance abuse. Some took a nine-hour vow. Others ate at silent lunch tables during the protest, now in its seventh year.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Missing student case continues:

Authorities investigating the disappearance of an Indiana University student on Wednesday sought a higher bond for a man jailed on unrelated charges, hoping to question him further about their case. Uriah Clouse, 26, of Monroe County, remained jailed Wednesday on \$3,500 bond in Brown County on charges that include violating a restraining order, an Indianapolis television station reported. He is eligible for release on Saturday

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BAHRAIN



Embattled Palestinians reach for food rations distributed by humanitarian workers in Ramallah, West Bank last week. Israel's refusal to end its campaign against Palestine has sparked a flood of recent protests in the Middle East.

Protests surge in Middle East

Associated Press

MANAMA Police fired rubber bullets and tear gas to keep thousands of pro-Palestinian protesters away from the heavily fortified U.S. Embassy in Bahrain on Wednesday. In three other Arab capitals, tens of thousands of women demonstrated peacefully.

Some 450 people were treated at the Salmaniya Medical Complex in Manama, most for tear gas inhalation but some for minor injuries from rubber bullets, doctors said.

Protests — some of them

violent — have swept the Middle East since Israel sent troops Palestinian towns and cities in the West Bank beginning March 29 in

response to a series of sui-

cide attacks in Israel.

"U.S. and Israel are the terrorists," read one ban-ner carried by some of the 3,000 protesters in Bahrain, many of whom were high school students. The demonstrators demanded a break in Bahraini-U.S. diplomatic ties and the dismantling of the U.S. 5th Fleet, which is based on the Gulf island

"The Americans are the

enemies, not only of the people, but also of God," said a 17-year-old student protester who would only give his first name, Hussein. "We want the Americans to leave our country."

In Egypt, a U.S.-run cultural center in the port city of Alexandria was closed after one person was killed and at least 200 injured in a violent protest Tuesday by university stu-

The death pushed to four the number of known fatalities linked to the Arab protests. The others anger at Israeli policies in were earlier in Bahrain, a "civilized" and calm Jordan and Yemen.

The Egyptian students were protesting Secretary of State Colin Powell's stop in Egypt, where he met with President Hosni Mubarak in an effort to broker an Israeli-Palestinian truce. The Bush administration has called for a halt to the Israeli offensive. Powell goes to Israel on Thursday night.

Wednesday's clashes in Bahrain began when protesters pelted police with stones. King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa appealed to Bahrainis to express their manner.

South Africa

Doctor tried in apartheid case

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG

The testimony was horrifying. The apartheid government tried to create deadly bacteria and anti-fertility drugs that would only affect blacks. It poisoned opponents' clothing. It stockpiled cholera, HIV and anthrax

for use against "enemies." One of South Africa's most surreal post-apartheid trials comes to an end Thursday, when a Pretoria High Court judge begins reading his verdict against Wouter Basson, the former head of South Africa's chemical and biological weapons program.

The cardiologist the South African media has dubbed "Dr. Death," faces 46 charges including murder conspiracy, fraud and drug possession.

The fraud charges stem from millions of dollars he is accused of siphoning from the government's shadowy chemical warfare unit, Project Coast, to finance a lavish, globe-trotting lifestyle.

Basson has denied the fraud charges, said he never provided deadly muscle relaxants and other poisons to kill apartheid opponents and insisted he had innocently been embroiled in a drug deal he knew nothing about.

Basson continued working as a cardiologist at a state hospital during the trial, until he was eventually asked to resign last May. He had a stroke in February.

During the 2 1/2-year trial, scientists and men who worked as government agents described Basson as a calculating man sitting atop a secret agency — with front companies across the world — focused on finding better ways to kill apartheid's opponents.

Security

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"We worked together from 1989 until 1994, when he left to become the U. S. marshal for Northern Indiana," Dennis said. "[Carrington] was a direct report to me in this capacity and thus I knew him very well."

When Chlebek announced his retirement, Dennis and the Administrative Council immediately began the search for his replacement. Ironically, Dennis at first tapped Carrington for possible candidates because of Carrington's extensive connections in the law enforcement community. At that time, it became clear that Carrington would be replaced by a Bush appointee as marshal, and so Dennis ended up recommending Carrington for the job.

"[Carrington] is clearly the best candidate possible for this position," Dennis said. "He has a depth of knowledge in campus security and safety issues and also has worked with stalking cases and is a member of the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals. This group

reads and evaluates letters and other communications to individuals and determines appropriate security responses. Mike is a man of intellect,

compassion and integrity."

Carrington's connections to the area made the decision very easy for Dennis and the Academic Council. Besides heading security at IUSB, Carrington also taught criminal justice courses as an adjunct assistant professor in the School of Public and Environmental Affairs.

"I wasn't ready to quit working, and I didn't want to leave the area," Carrington said. "I like university security work. The timing is good for me. I was being replaced and knew that. It was a combination of things that worked together."

Before taking the position at IUSB, Carrington was South Bend's director of public safety, responsible for police and fire services. Among other positions, Carrington has also been the chief probation officer for the St. Joseph County Probate Court, an Indiana state parole officer and an administrative assistant to former South Bend Mayor Peter Nemeth. He received his bachelor's degree in 1970 from

Indiana
University and his master's in 1971 from Valparais o University in behavioral studies

ies.

"We are extremely pleased to be able to bring a person of Mike's

caliber and experience to Saint Mary's," Dennis said. "He has excellent relationships will all of the local police agencies, including a long relationship with [Notre Dame Security/Police Director] Rex Rakow. He is known and respected throughout the South Bend community."

For now, Carrington is settling into his new position, getting a feel for the community and the students and determining the security concerns

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Keith Dennis

Saint Mary's Vice President

facing the college.

"Right now he is trying to get an assessment of what is involved," Dennis said. "He often con-

sults with other colleges and is cooperating with the Notre Dame [police]. He plans to talk to as many people as he can and make recommendations for changes or improvements in Saint Mary's security. He hasn't been involved in campus security for eight years, so we are trying to get him up to speed. He is in a learning mode and an assessment mode."

Chlebek is introducing Carrington around campus, and the two are attending meetings and going over procedures. Carrington, who has spent the last few months training his replacement as marshal, believes this is beneficial.

"[Chlebek] is familiarizing me with the procedures, how things are done," Carrington said. "I'm familiarizing myself with the campus and people. It really is helpful to do it this way."

For Carrington, the transition is even easier, because his connections to the College go deeper than his work in the

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Michael Carrington

Director of security

S o u t h Bend community.

"I'm a
South
Bend person,"
Carrington
said. "My
mother
graduated
from Saint
Mary's in

the 1950's. She was a commuter student but always felt good here. I've always had a good feeling about Saint Mary's. I've been out here for programs before."

Carrington has also lived five miles from campus for 25 years, and after a conversation with his wife, thought working closer to home would be a welcome change.

For now, though, he is still feeling his way through the campus security system at Saint Mary's.

"I will be taking it a day at a time," Carrington said. "There's lots to learn, and change is hard for everyone. I'm enjoying it. I've had a chance to meet some people and go to some meetings. Each college is different, and Saint Mary's, as an all-women's college, is unique."

He believes that any changes he might make to the department will surface through discussion and conversation with administration, staff, faculty and students.

"I am trying to listen and learn right now," Carrington said. "Before I make any changes, I would like to talk to the students, the administration, the faculty. In a university, there is more discussion and collaboration on everything. Whoever is director of security, one of their jobs is to be an advocate for the safety and security of students. You have to make the case for it. I'm going to try and do it just right."

His connections with Notre Dame security also will help him in his role at Saint Mary's.

"I know the security people at Notre Dame," Carrington said. "Chuck Hurley [assistant director of Security/Police] was police chief in South Bend when I was involved there. I know the law enforcement people in the area. I've been doing various kinds of security administration for years now."

While Carrington hasn't made any decisions yet, Dennis believes that two of the most complicated end-of-the-year events, moving out and Commencement, are important security concerns.

"Those are really critical issues for the department" Dennis said. "There are also security issues with having a cabinet member [U.S. Labor Secretary Elaine Chow] come for Commencement. Mike's been talking to the Labor Department and other security officials. He has also escorted presidents and cabinet members before. He's well-qualified to be able to do that."

Carrington will also be helping with several meetings in June of county and deputy prosecutors and more than 200 first-response personnel to discuss reactions to terrorism and counterterrorism measures.

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Assault

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drinks while dancing. She said she felt sober when she left the bar with her alleged assailants because she had consumed her last drink about 90 minutes earlier.

"I wish I didn't remember every single thing," the woman said.

Although she originally reported the alleged assault to South Bend police, because the alleged incident occurred outside city limits, the case was turned over to county police. Finn said police are completing the investigation that began April 1.

The alleged victim said she is currently working with detectives and intends to press charges. Finn said the case will be referred to the county prosecutor soon.

According to Moore, the University's private investigation is closed due to the Federal Education Records Protection Act, which protects the privacy of student records.

"When it comes to the police investigation, we're not a part of that, or if we are, it's in a very peripheral way," Moore said. "When it comes to whatever we do internally, that is a student confidentiality matter."

The alleged victim said she took her case to the Office of Residence Life and Housing and submitted an eight-page statement detailing the events of her alleged assault. Both the alleged victim and the alleged assailants will have a scheduled hearing with ResLife Wednesday.

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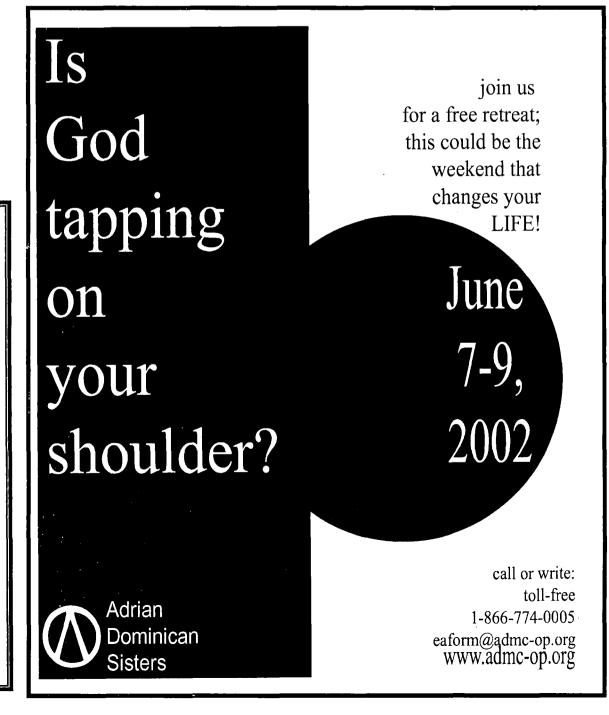
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businesses as Adworks, Irish Gardens and Dome Designs.

The FMB believes that it is necessary to pay off the debt in order to have a fiscally sound Student Union. Hallahan, former Sorin Senator and current chief of staff, stressed that the previous Senate's intent to keep the Carry-Forward Fund at constitutional level and to "move forward with paying off the debt."

"I understand the importance of paying off the debt," said Kevin Connolly. "I was wondering why we can't pay it off in two years because that would be an extra \$24,000 for student organizations."

Oxenreiter responded by saying, "Paying off the debt was not a choice we were given. We were told to pay it off this

year.'

In response to the possibility of asking University Accounting to review paying the debt over two years, Oxenreiter said that this would not be feasible. He cited the recent student activity fee increase and that the debt has been around for too long.

Some senators raised concern about the specific allocations that the FMB made with its \$318,377 budget.

'I am concerned with the new rules are going to make programming more difficult,' said Steve Holte, Hall President's Council senate liaison. "With regard to HPC, it will be difficult to increase dorm unity and will force events off campus.'

HPC had requested \$64,500 and received \$45,000. Oxenreiter stated that the FMB wanted to allocate more funds, but the \$1000 increase from last year was all that could be afforded; however, he did say that the FMB recognized that HPC should be given more funds in the future.

Student Union Board, which had been involved in a struggle with the CCC for funds, requested \$370,614, approximately \$50,000 more than the FMB's budget. Citing that they paid back the \$24,000 debt the previous administration, Oxenreiter expressed that the FMB wanted to grant them flexibility.

"We stand by it. We are pretty happy with it and it was the best we could do," said Oxenreiter.

In other Senate News:

◆ Acknowledging the tradition of in-hall dances, the denial of student initiatives, the need for a student voice, and the necessity of education to combat alcohol abuse, the senators unanimously consented to a resolution supporting the Student Petition. "It calls on the CLC to reconsider its former decision on the alcohol policy," said Rick Harris, Siegfried senator.

◆ Student Senate officers, Erik Smith, Paul Dockery and Ricky Sadowski were approved as Student Union Secretary, Chaplain and Parliamentarian, respectively.

◆ In the Office of the President, Pat Hallahan, Jim Ryan and Jen Majcina were approved as Chief of Staff, Academic Delegate and Controller, respectively.

◆ A resolution was passed to bequeath the Emeritus title upon former Student Body President Brooke Norton and former vice-president Brian Moscona.

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Taxpayers may pay for errors

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Taxpayers are cheating

themselves out of nearly \$1 billion in overpaid income taxes simply because they fail to claim itemized deduc-

'One of the big mistakes that people make is that all of a sudden they rush to get their tax returns finished and they aren't careful in organizing their records so they overlook things," said Toni Bardi, an enrolled agent, which is a tax professional licensed by the Treasury to represent taxpayers before the IRS.

"You should take a minute to think back through the year," she said. "Think about what you did that might be related to a deduction.'

Thing people often are leaving out are mortgage interest and points, charitable contributions and state and local income taxes and property taxes, the congressional General Accounting Office found in a new report. Other itemized deductions are for medical expenses, job expenses, union dues and gambling losses.

In 1998, as many as 2.2 million returns claimed a lower standard tax deduction when they could have qualified for much more if they had only itemized.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, who requested the GAO report, said it serves as a warning to taxpayers who are scrambling to meet Monday's filing deadline in most of the the Northeast have an extra day because their IRS center is located in Andover, Mass., where Monday is the annual Patriot's Day holiday.

'The last thing people should have to do is pay more taxes than they owe,' said Armey, R-Texas, on Wednesday.

Ιn 1998. tens of thousands of taxpayers who took the more straightforward standard deduction paid at least \$948 million more in taxes than they should

have, the GAO found. That ers claimed the standard was true even though half of these returns were prepared by tax professionals.

The GAO, which serves as Congress' investigative arm, estimated that the average overpayment in 1998 from failure to itemize was \$438. About a quarter of taxpayers overpaid by more than

Lower- and middle-income taxpayers were most likely to overlook itemized deductions. An estimated 1.6 million of the returns were filed by people earning under \$75,000 a year, with the median income for those returns about \$47,000.

Tax law allows people to take the standard deduction or to itemize using IRS schedule A, whichever amount is greater. Tax experts say it is best to run a comparison to determine which deduction is most

country. People in parts of beneficial; the report didn't attempt to figure out why people overlooked the potential larger itemized deductions.

This year's standard deduction for most people is \$4,550 for an individual, \$7,600 for married couples filing jointly and \$6,650 for heads of households. The

deduction is more generous for those over age 65 and those who are blind.

Dick Armey House Majority Leader

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In 1998, about 70 percent of all taxpay-

deduction.

Taxpayers who need more time to sort things out can get an automatic extension to file their returns by Aug. 15 by calling the IRS at 1-888-796-1074. One caveat: any tax due must be paid by Monday or interest and late penalty payments will apply.

Using information from lending institutions and employers for a sample of 1998 returns, the GAO estimated that 948,000 returns failed to itemize deductions for mortgage loan interest and points.

Examining Labor Department averages to measure other types of deductions - charity, state and local taxes and real estate taxes —the potential number of returns that should have included itemized deductions rose to 2.2 million.

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Powell heads to the Mideast to resume peace talks

Associated Press

MADRID

Secretary of State Colin Powell said Wednesday he would push ahead with his peacekeeping mission in the Middle East despite Israel's objections to his meeting Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. An Israeli military withdrawal from three West Bank towns drew support from the White House.

"The withdrawal the president has called for is continuing. Now the Palestinian Authority and Arab nations have to do what the president called for," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said in Washington. The statement did not mention Arafat by name.

"The burden isn't Israel's alone. All parties have responsibilities," Fleischer said on the eve of Powell's visit to Israel.

The White House statement was a shift from the administration's objections earlier Wednesday over Israel's slowness in meeting Bush's demands for a withdrawal.

In his earlier remarks, Powell brushed aside Sharon's assertion that the secretary's planned meeting with Arafat this weekend would be "a tragic mistake." Powell said his mission was "not in the least in jeopardy."

He said he hoped Sharon would help the meeting take place and ease restrictions on Arafat in Ramallah to help him communicate more readily with other Palestinian leaders.

"He is the partner that Israel will have to deal with," Powell said after his peace mission was endorsed in Madrid by the European Union, the United Nations and Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov.

America has pressured Israel to pull troops out of West Bank cities and end its 13-day offensive. Despite the newly announced withdrawals, Israeli troops still occupy the major population centers of Ramallah, Nablus, Jenin and Bethlehem.

The crux of Powell's two-step plan is to try to arrange a ceasefire between Israel and the Palestinians and then steer them into negotiations that would culminate in a Palestinian state on land Israel now holds.

Even if Powell gains a ceasefire, many in the region question how well it might hold if there are more Palestinian suicide attacks. As he trekked through the Middle East and then detoured to Spain, Powell made plain that his other objectives include renewing security cooperation between Israel and the Palestinians, asking Saudi Arabia for assistance to rebuild Palestinian facilities and organizing a worldwide relief effort for Palestinians.

'We understand the difficult situation that Israel finds itself in, but we believe that the best way to relieve this tension, the best way to move forward and provide a solution to the crisis that we find ourselves in, is for the withdrawal of Israeli forces," Powell said at a news confer-

Powell is due in Israel late Thursday after a stop in Jordan to talk to King Abdullah II. He is to see Sharon in Jerusalem on Friday and hopes to see Arafat on Saturday.

Sharon, on the other hand, feeling the continuing sting of Palestinian suicide attacks on Israelis, told reporters while touring an Israeli army base near the West Bank refugee camp of Jenin that he had informed Bush he could not pull troops back immediately.

"Here we are in the middle of a battle," Sharon said. "If we leave, we will have to return. Once we finish, we are not going to stay here. But first we have to accomplish our mission."

In Washington, White House spokesman Fleischer reiterated that he wants the Palestinian Authority and Arab nations to 'publicly denounce terrorism, stop funding it, stop inciting violence in state-owned media and begin to implement" peace process plans. In a break from past practice, the statement did not ask Israel to pull back its

There is no military solution to the conflict," said a joint statement issued by four leaders and Powell. The statement called for an immediate cease-fire and Israel's withdrawal from Palestinian-held cities on the West Bank, including Ramallah, where Arafat is confined.

Meanwhile, in advance of Powell's visit, U.S. envoy Gen. Anthony Zinni met with Palestinian officials Jerusalem.

And Vice President Dick Cheney spoke with Syrian President Bashar Assad and made clear Bush's admonition to stay out of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, a State Department official said. He said Cheney also stressed the need to act and speak against terrorism and vio-

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Associated Press

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Bush presses Senate to ban cloning

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Bush pressed the Senate on Wednesday to ban cloning of human embryos for research, saying science must not rush ahead "without an ethical compass." Senators promised a fight, seeing great promise in cloning for cures of terrible afflic-

Bush called medical researchers, ethicists, lawmakers, ministers and disabled people to the White House to explain why he objects to human cloning and to embrace a ban proposed by Sens. Sam Brownback and Mary Landrieu.

"We can pursue medical research with a clear sense of moral purpose, or we can travel without an ethical compass into a world we could live to regret," Bush said. "How we answer the question of human cloning will place us on one path or the other."

"Life is a creation, not a commodity," he added.

The president was looking to tamp down an evolving Senate compromise, crafted by Sens. Arlen Specter, Edward Kennedy, Tom Harkin and Dianne Feinstein that would outlaw cloning for reproductive purposes but allow it for research on illnesses such as cancer, Alzheimer's Parkinson's.

"It would be a mistake for the U.S. Senate to allow any kind of human cloning to come out of that chamber,' Bush said. Kennedy, said it is Bush who is mistaken.

"We must not let the misplaced fears of today deny patients the cures of tomorrow," he said. "Congress was right to place medicine over ideology in the past, and we should do the same again as we confront the issue of cloning.

Specter said the ban Bush advocates would criminalize legitimate research and cause "an enormous brain drain out of the United States to Europe."

"To tie the hands of medical science in the 21st century, in my opinion, is just not the right thing to do," Specter said. "There's going to be a real fight on the Senate floor. I believe we will find enough Republican votes ... to make a majority.

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, urged lawmakers to heed a call from 40 Nobel laureates who support research cloning, and he said it is possible to bar ethically repugnant uses of cloned tissue without blocking

"The president wants to ban it all, and I think he's wrong," Daschle said. "And I think the American people are on our side on this issue.'

At issue is the production of embryos that are genetically identical to a donor human being. Bush voiced his opposition frequently last year, and in August he restricted federally financed stem cell research to 64 existing stem cell lines taken from embryos discarded by fertility clinics.

The House passed a ban on all human cloning last July but the Senate has not acted on it. Many senators object to the idea of cloning humans, but are not averse to embryo research that could cure disease.

Brownback, told an anti-cloning rally on Capitol Hill Wednesday that the ban was "clearly a winnable issue." Standing before a stack of petitions with 400,000 signatures, he said, "Cloning is wrong, period. Creating human life to destroy it is

But for many senators, the matter was more personal than political. Sen. Zell Miller, a moderate who has backed Bush on other high-stakes legislation, said he supports the Specter option because his son has juvenile diabetes and his late mother suffered from Alzheimer's.

Sen. Bill Frist, said he supports the Brownback ban — an endorsement the White House viewed as key, because Frist is a heart-transplant surgeon whose views on medical topics are respected by his peers.

"Does the promise of human cloning embryo experiments ... justify what is required today to conduct those experiments — and that is the purposeful creation of human embryos for experimentation and destruction? The answer to that question to me is no," Frist said. Bush called the prospects of successful research from clones "highly speculative," and said he fears nightmare scenarios in which embryos are created so they can be plundered for body parts, so that parents can have custom-ordered children, or so that women's eggs can be sold at high prices. He also said research had suggested that "designer cells" taken from cloned embryos might be rejected by human bodies.

Once cloned embryos were available, implantation would take place," Bush said. "Even the tightest regulations and strict policing would not prevent or detect the birth of cloned babies."

Michael West, president and CEO of Worcester, Mass.-based Advanced Cell Technology, disputed that point. His company announced in November that it had cloned a six-cell human embryo for the purpose of culling stem cells.

"I'm not proud to be an American when our leadership doesn't take the time to get the science right." West said. "You can't make science work just the way you want it to."

Supporters defend Boston Cardinal

Associated Press

BOSTON

Supporters, including an alleged abuse victim, came to the defense Wednesday of Cardinal Bernard Law as pressure mounted for his resignation over his handling of child sex cases

Law, head of the Catholic Archdiocese of Boston since 1984, has apologized for shifting defrocked priest John Geoghan, an accused pedophile, from parish to parish. Documents made public Monday show Law handled the case of another accused priest, the Rev. Paul Shanley, in much the same way. Ray Flynn, a former Boston mayor and ambassador to the Vatican, said that while Law's mistakes are indefensible, he should remain on the job to repair the damage suffered by the church.

"He's the one that's most in pain," Flynn said. "He's the one who has the most to lose. He will put his heart and soul into it." Ralph DelVecchio, one of Geoghan's alleged victims, agreed that Law might be the best person fix the problems, provided there isn't evidence Law acted maliciously in shuttling priests between

"I don't really believe he intentionally meant to be devious," DelVecchio said. "I think he could do more good staying there because he knows what's going on." The cardinal has also earned loyalty for his years of work with the poor and immigrants. Law has made frequent visits to Latin America, including Cuba, to speak out against social injustice.

"His resignation will not solve the problem," said Dr. Roger Jean-Charles, chairman of the board at the Haitian Multi-Service Center in Boston. "This is a case where the cure is worse than the disease.'

Thursday, April 11

- 5:15 p.m. Daily Mass, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 7:00 p.m. Film: All About You followed by question and answer discussion led by Christine Ashford-Swanson and Michael Swanson, Hesburgh Library Carey Auditorium
- 7:00 p.m. Lecture by Jennie Weiss Block, Copious Hosting: A Theology of Access for People with Disabilities, McKenna Hall Room 100-104 (Book signing and reception will follow
- 7:00 p.m. Two Original Plays, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom
- 7 p.m. Book talk and signing, Thou Shalt Not Dame Bookstore
- 7:30 p.m. Mass for all the victims & survivors of sexual assault, Log Cabin Chapel
- 8:00 p.m. Searle Lecture: Center for Pastoral Liturgy, McKenna Hall, Center for Continuing Education
- 8:30 p.m. 10:30 p.m. Drop-In Lacrosse, Rolfs **Sports Recreation Center**
- 9:00 p.m. Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, LaFortune Student Center
- 9:00 p.m. Acoustic Cafe, LaFortune Student Center Huddle
- 10:00 p.m. Movies: Harry Potter and Dark Side of the Rainbow, DeBartolo 101 and 155*

Friday, April 12

- 5:00 p.m. ND Women's Lacrosse vs. Duke, Moose Krause Field (match begins at 4:00 p.m.)
- 5:00 p.m. ND Women's Softball vs. Connecticut, (double header), Ivy Field, (first game begins at
- 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. The Calling Concert and Food Fest, South Quad (event begins at 4:00 p.m.)
- 5:00 p.m. Local Islamic Responses to September 11 (Part 1), Hesburgh Center for International Studies
- 5:05 p.m. ND Men's Baseball vs. Virginia Tech (double header), Frank Eck Stadium
- 5:15 p.m. Daily Mass, Basilica of the Sacred Heart Invest Foolishly, Khalil F. Matta, Hammes Notre 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Drop-In Badminton, Rolfs Sports Recreation Center
 - 7:30 p.m. Movies: Harry Potter and Dark Side of the Rainbow, DeBartolo 101 and 155*
 - 8:00 p.m. "807" Mass, Coleman-Morse Center Student Lounge
 - 8:00 p.m. ND Collegium Musicum Spring Concert, Moreau Seminary Chapel
 - 8:30 p.m. Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
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 - 10:00 p.m. 1:30 a.m. Tournament Fridays: Connect 4, LaFortune Student Center Notre Dame Room

Saturday, April 13

- 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 5:00 p.m. Foundations and Implications of the U.S. War on Terrorism, by Graham Fuller, Hesburgh Center for International Studies
- 6:30 p.m. Hawaii Club Luau, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom*
- 7:30 p.m. Movies: Harry Potter and Dark Side of the Rainbow, DeBartolo 101 and 155*
- 8:30 p.m. Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
- 9:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m. Bonfire with live music by Tim Bradley, Jason Brown and Christina Castrillo, Holy Cross Hill
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OPEC won't replace Iraqi crude oil shortage

Associated Press

OPEC has no plans to pump more oil to replace the crude Iraq is withholding from the market, reasoning that the recent spike in oil prices will ease once violence between Israel and the Palestinians abates, the group's top official

said Wednesday. OPEC Secretary-General Ali Rodriguez defended the decision to keep output steady until at least late June by insisting that global supplies were "normal" in relation to the physical demand for

Oil prices seesawed on a day of conflicting market signals. Iran's oil minister reaffirmed that his country wouldn't join Iraq in suspending its crude exports unless other Muslim countries also do the same.

However, the International Energy Agency warned that political uncertainties in the Middle East and labor strife in Venezuela could yet upset the

May contracts of North Sea Brent crude rose 22 cents a barrel in London before slipping to \$26.01, down 7 cents from Tuesday's close. In New York, contacts of light, sweet crude for May delivery rose 31 cents to close at \$26.13 a bar-

"Twenty-six dollar Brent isn't a terrible, terrible number," said Peter Gignoux, head of the petroleum desk at

Salomon Smith Barney. But he Libya both had assured him hastened to add: "It's not a great number.'

The big question, Gignoux said, is how quickly other oil producers can replace the crude that Iraq has kept away from markets.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein suspended oil exports on Monday for 30 days or until Israel withdraws from the Palestinian territories.

Iraq, which has a daily production capacity of 2.5 million barrels, exports at least 1.8 million barrels a day under the close supervision of the United Nations.

Iraq is OPEC's third-largest producer but doesn't participate in the group's production agreements.

Iran and Libya had earlier expressed support for the idea of using an embargo as a means of pressuring the United States to lean on Israel to end its military offensive against the Palestinians.

Libya has been quiet on the issue since Iraq began its boycott, but Iranian Oil Minister Bijan Zangeneh insisted that Iran would not act on its own to suspend its crude shipments. Iran is OPEC's secondlargest producer after Saudi Arabia.

Zangeneh, speaking in Seoul, South Korea, said political tensions and speculation are driving the crude market and insisted there is no shortfall in global supplies.

Rodriguez said that Iran and

they wouldn't restrict output.

OPEC will stick to its current production ceiling of 21.7 million barrels a day until June 26, when oil ministers from the group's 11 member countries are to meet again, Rodriguez told reporters at OPEC's headquarters in Vienna, Austria.

"If we increased production, we could suffer a collapse of prices after the solution of the dramatic problems we're seeing in the Middle East," he

"Our hope is that the concrete conflicts between the Palestinians and Israel can be resolved as soon as possible."

The IEA seemed to support Rodriguez's view that supply and demand were basically in balance.

The Paris-based group is the energy watchdog for the Organization for Economic Cooperation Development, a group of rich

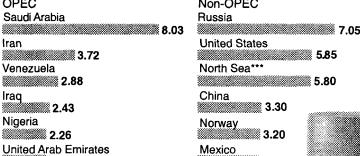
oil-importing nations. The agency noted in its monthly oil report that crude inventories for the world's biggest consuming countries were still above average, and that oil producing nations had a combined spare production capacity of 6 million barrels a day — more than enough to cover the missing Iraqi barrels.

In addition, IEA member countries have about 4 billion barrels in strategic reserves to tap in an emergency.

Other barrels in the sea

Analysts suggest that other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting countries, which pumps a third of all crude oil, will intervene to offset Iraq halting crude exports.

Top global oil producers in 2001, millions of barrels per day* Non-OPEC



Mexico

United Kingdom

2.28

2.03 *Annual average

Kuwait**

2.26

Includes about one-half of the production in the Kuwait-Saudi Arabia Neutral Zone

***Includes the United Kingdom offshore, Norway, Denmark, Netherlands offshore and Germany offshore

SOURCE: Energy Information Administration

Still, the IEA noted that the market was tightening, due partly to the unexpected speed of the U.S. economic recovery and to diminishing U.S. inventories of gasoline and other refined products.

High prices, if sustained over a long period, could impede a global recovery, the agency added.

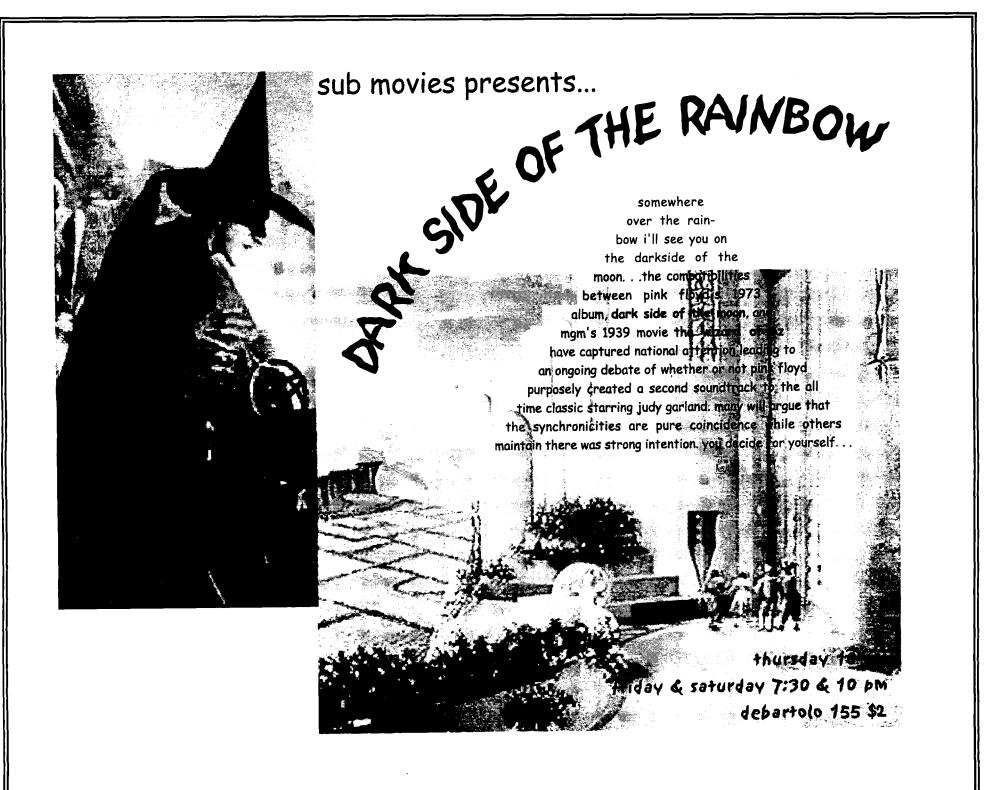
The price of Brent futures surged by 17.3 percent during the 30 days ending March 25, while light, sweet U.S. crude jumped by 17.9 percent during the same period.

OPEC members other than Iraq pumped an additional 440,000 barrels a day in March, for a total of 23 million daily barrels, the agency said.

This meant OPEC's members were exceeding their official quotas by 1.3 million barrels a day.

Gignoux noted that this trend in OPEC's unofficial output could help keep prices from rising too far.

"In a funny old sort of way," he said, "OPEC is sort of solving our problem.'



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Notre Dame's liturgical life is the best available

They say that absence makes the heart grow fonder, and I daresay that it's true. I've never missed the dining hall the way I miss it here. (I've never missed the dining hall before, but

that's immaterial.) Having to cook for myself has made me a lot more grateful for the times and places where my needs are filled by someone else.

Soenneker Here We Go Again: Letters

From Exile

Marlayna

Far more than I miss the dining hall (and I really miss it), I miss the spiritual life of Notre Dame. Whether you love Notre Dame or not, you have to admit that the sort of religious life that exists at Notre Dame can be found nowhere else in the country. Maybe you could have gone to Stanford and received the same education, but the spiritual education available at Notre Dame is truly available "nowhere else but Notre Dame."

I always assumed that the spiritual life at Notre Dame was a result of the student body being 85 percent Catholic. I figured anywhere with that kind of concentration of one religion would be the home of a dynamic Church. My obviously oversimplified explanation of our spiritual life is perhaps a sort of tribute to the incredible people behind the scenes who make Notre Dame the wonderful spiritual home it is. They do it so well that I didn't even realize they were there until they weren't.

When I applied to go abroad to Ireland, one of the major points I talked about in my essay was the fact that I was looking forward to an entire country of Catholics. I was certain that there would be a dynamic Church in Ireland because of this high concentration, just as I thought the Church at Notre Dame was dynamic because of our high concentration of

It wasn't until just a couple of weeks before I left that an Ireland returnee informed me that the Church in Ireland was a lot of things but was definitely not dynamic. Nevertheless, I had high hopes and arrived prepared for a good spiritual experience in this heavily Catholic country.

It hasn't happened. Most Sunday Masses don't have music, and they usually only last about 35 minutes. At the University Church, the priest regularly omits the second reading on Sunday. The priest and the Irish congregation sound like they are in a race to get to the end of Mass fastest, and I think that their confirmation classes must include speed speaking. I have yet to venture to a weekday Mass, but I can only imagine the dismal scene they must present.

I think I will probably spend the rest of my life searching for a Church like the Church at Notre Dame, a Church with the kind of involvement, life and spirituality that prevail throughout Notre Dame. Whenever I go home to my home parish, it is always both pleasant and a little disappointing. It's good to be among the familiar people who surrounded me growing up in the faith, but the lively liturgies and piercingly relevant homilies aren't there. It's good to go home, but I'm always glad to come back to the Notre Dame Mass.

We often take the great spiritual life at Notre Dame for granted. But the fact is that Notre Dame is an incredibly special place, and for most, if not all, of us it is probably going to be the best church community we ever belong to. We have legions of priests

and religious considering and catering to our every spiritual need.

But out in the "real world," we're

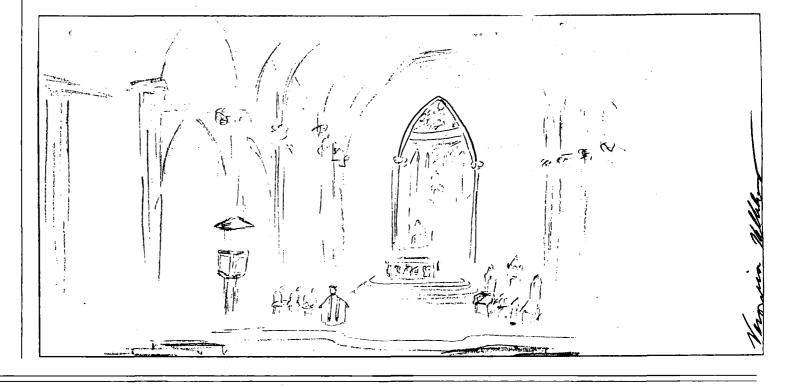
not going to get that kind of attention. We'll be sharing one priest with hundreds of other people and he won't always be able to meet our every spiritual whim. Out there, we can't just be the passive recipients of the Church's bounty; we must become the ministers of her riches to others.

A lot of us do serve the Church at Notre Dame. But we aren't asked to lead the Church, to anticipate the needs of others and to meet them. We will be asked to do this outside the Golden Bubble, and I think the first step to learning to do this is realizing how much work and dedication the men and women who do this for us put in.

So next time you are at Mass singing the Gloria, think about how different it would be if you weren't singing those words of praise but were instead racing through them in a monotone as if there were a prize on the other end. The next time you think you have too much homework to go to Mass, remember that you won't always have the incredible liturgical experiences of Notre Dame available to you. And the next time you have a particularly meaningful spiritual experience at Notre Dame, take a moment to thank God for the people who make it happen.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Words are, of course, the most powerful drug used by mankind."

> **Rudyard Kipling** writer

Hospital's move hurts area poor

The South Bend Tribune has reported that St. Joseph's Hospital is going to be moving from its current South Bend location to a location north-east of the city, closer to Granger. The Tribune

reports a claim of concern on the part of the Catholic hospital for those people — many of whom are poor and of color — who will have to travel greater distance to reach the new location.

There will still be emergency care in South Bend. There will still be the Chapin Street

One of the more interesting points made by a hospital representative is that St. Joseph's did a study of the University Park Mall north-east of the city and found that people living in the south and west areas of South Bend could still get to the mall.

Todd David

Whitmore

The Common

Therefore, the reasoning goes, they can get to the new hospital.

This reasoning is supposed to cover the concern for the poor and uphold the hospital's Catholic identity, but let's look at it more closely. Mark
Twain once commented, "The problem
with being poor is that it takes all of
your time." Many who are poor in
South Bend do not have cars. Given
South Bend's inadequate public transportation, it takes an extended period
of time for people to get from the poorer neighborhoods in the south and
west to the mall and other Grape Road
destinations — Wal-mart and Meijer
come to mind — where many of the
available low-entry jobs exist. I have
known more than one person who has
lost a job to the vagaries of the
Transpo system.

Here's the conundrum of the poor: to get to a job consistently first of all requires a car; to buy a car first of all requires a job that one can get to consistently. The conundrum intensifies given the fact that low pay often requires a person to take two jobs. The Grape Road enterprises can function because other populations — for instance, seniors who already have cars, spouses of people who already make a living wage and students — provide much of the workforce.

In other words, the attitude of the mall and other Grape Road businesses is to locate close to wealth and if the less well-off can get there, fine. Those who have the best access to transportation are the ones closest to the service; those who have the least access to transportation are the furthest away. There is no irony in this for the University Park Mall. Its aim is to be close to money. What St. Joseph's reasoning tells us is that its standards for concern for the poor are not much different from those of a shopping mall.

Catholic social teaching's "option for the poor" tells us that justice requires that we look first to those who are marginalized. One of the contributions that Pope John Paul II has made to Catholic social teaching is to insist that poverty is more than economic. Those who are materially poor also have limited access to the full array of social goods — for instance, education, job training and health care.

Listening to and attending to the needs of the poor is not something that one sets up as a minimum test to pass—let alone a test modeled after standards of a consumer center. Even secular philosophical standards do better than that. John Rawls, the most influential secular social philosopher, tells us that for any policy change to be just, it must be "to the greatest benefit of the least advantaged." This is Rawls' "difference principle," and it is part of an overall view he calls "justice as fairness." It is clear, then, that St. Joseph's move meets neither Catholic

nor respected secular standards. In the pope's words, the dignity of the poor "is not acknowledged in any real way."

Catholic social teaching does recognize the importance and necessity of institutions meeting financial obligations. Here, moreover, is where we get into further interesting questions. Did St. Joseph's ask whether there was land available for building on the south and west sides? One recent big business did and will be locating significant part of its production there, both for business reasons and to create jobs for the many who are unemployed there.

Why did a Catholic hospital not do the same thing? How earnestly did it pursue the matter, if at all? Did it consider, seriously or at all, the possibility that its mission calls it to be in the midst of those who are least well-off, and that following that mission can be the most fiscally responsible thing to do both for the hospital and for the city?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

All employees should not be punished

This week, Anderson layed off 7,000 employees. This action was caused by the nation's lack of faith in Anderson's future as a viable firm, which was caused in turn by the Justice Department's indictment of Anderson for obstruction of justice. The Justice Department better be able to prove, beyond a reasonable doubt, that Anderson, the firm, and not merely a few partners, engaged in the obstruction of justice.

Unfortunately for Anderson, some people say that getting an indictment is so easy that you could indict a ham sandwich. In this case, the indictment itself has turned out to be the death penalty. Anderson has already been punished although no guilty verdict has been issued. Even if Anderson is found to be not guilty, it is still a goner due to the public's lack of faith in the firm. It would be a shame if that punishment proved to be completely unwarranted because the Justice Department is unable to prove firm-wide responsibility.

I have serious doubts that the criminal prosecution and resulting series of layoffs at Anderson is a situation that justice demands. A friend tried to explain to me that, since Anderson gains several benefits from its partnership form, it should also have to face liabilities in that same partnership form. This is just plain wrong, however, when criminal responsibility is thrown into the mix. It is entirely reasonable for a group of business partners to agree to joint and several civil liability for any money damages that may arise. It would be entirely impermissible, and unprecedented, for a group of business partners to contractually assign criminal responsibility to each other unless each and every one of them took deliberate acts that would give rise to individual criminal responsibility. You can't assign a mens rea to another person in the same way that you can assign civil liability. For instance, I could agree with my roommate that we would both cover the costs of any damages to our Houston apartment. I could not agree that I would be criminally responsible if, while I was living in Chicago, he decided to commit arson to that apartment.

It may be the case that the obstruction of justice so pervaded Anderson that the criminal responsibility applies to the firm as an entity. I would concede that, if that were the case, then the government's prosecution and a resulting U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission bar on auditing public firms would be appropriate. However, I doubt that this is the case.

Obstruction of justice requires intent on the part of the actor, and many of the lesser players in this whole affair appear to have acted negligently at worst. The claim that there was a firm-wide intent to commit a crime is unrealistic. As for the 7,000 employees that have been laid off, I don't think it would be too much of a stretch to say that probably none of them did anything wrong.

At the end of the day, I think that the prosecution of Anderson is a politically-motivated witch hunt. I also believe that the Justice Department has turned a blind eye to the plight of 7,000 (and soon 28,000) workers who had nothing to do with the whole Enron debacle. When political motivations make people lose their jobs, I get mad. At any rate, the Justice Department has its work cut out for it in trying to convince a jury and the public at large that it's seeking justice and not vengeance.

Andrew Malahowski third-year law student April 10, 2002

Arafat is a terrorist

This letter is written in response to the letter by Sorour Alotaibi that appeared in Monday's Observer.

Let me start by going out on a limb and calling Yasser Arafat a terrorist. Let's call a spade a spade and not beat around the bush. Arafat can do much more to control violent elements both within the PLO and outside of it, yet he chooses to do nothing. Why? Because he cannot end the current intifada without having achieved some political objectives. And, contrary to Alotaibi's opinion that the Palestinians are freedom fighters, I hate to tell you, but Yasser Arafat is no Patrick Henry. To even fathom the thought that, "Give me liberty or give me death," is morally equivalent to, "Give me liberty without the existence of Israel," is extremely disturbing. Despite the fact that Arafat was and continues to be a supporter of terrorism against the state of Israel, he has gained the legitimacy of the world as the sole representative of the Palestinian people (thanks mostly to the U.S.), and he must be included in any form of negotiations or talks between the two sides.

To be completely fair in the opinion of labeling Arafat a terrorist, we must recognize that Ariel Sharon is no less ruthless or merciless than Arafat. Known as the "Butcher of Beirut" for his 1982 military exploits in Lebanon, Sharon has taken especially brutal methods recently in attempting to secure Israeli security, mainly the bulldozing of homes within the occupied territories and limiting the availability of medical services to those seeking care in the territories. However overly aggressive Sharon's actions appear, it should be said that there is no equivalence between the collateral damage caused by strategic

Israeli military strikes and the intentional targeting of innocent civilians by Palestinian suicide bombings.

We are led to believe that those youths who strap explosives on their bodies and detonate them in public places do so because they have no other choice and no other options. That is a most unfortunate reality. But the reason is that Arafat and terrorists groups like Hamas and Hezbollah have convinced the Palestinian youth to believe so. They've been taught to believe they have no hope, nothing to live for and that Israel is to blame. The only agenda Hamas and Hezbollah have is the destruction of Israel, at all costs. If that means blowing a child up in the process, so be it.

The fact of the matter is that if Arafat were serious about peace or if he was serious about establishing a state for Palestinians he would arrest the militant parties within and outside the PLO and give 100 percent effort to control them in the future. He would condemn terrorism and agree that peaceful negotiations are the only way to resolve a final peace agreement. Should Arafat do those things there would be no justification for Sharon to remain in the occupied territories, for Israel has no strategic interests there, save his attempts to stop terrorism by arresting militants and defending the right of the people of Israel to exist in peace. Palestinians no doubt deserve the same rights, but until their leadership realizes that targeting Jewish civilians does not serve as an end, the Al-Aqsa intifada is unlikely to end.

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April 9, 2002

Bad premise gives 'Smoochy' the kiss of death

By C. SPENCER BEGGS Scene Editor

For anyone who ever secretly wondered if Barney was actually a friendless alcoholic or Elmo had to attend court-ordered anger management classes, "Death to Smoochy" may seem like a deviously pleasurable romp through the sordid version of children's entertainment. Unfortunately, director Danny DeVito fails to deliver anything more sinisterly pleasing than stealing two pieces of fruit from the dining hall: sounds like it's living on the edge until you realize that you now have two bruised apples.

When Rainbow Randolf (played by Robin Williams), a psychologically disturbed children's show host, is busted in an FBI sting for taking bribes to put children on his show, the scandalized network bigwigs order their ves-man lackey, Stokes (played by Jon Stewart), and his sexually harassed partner, Nora (played by Catherine Kenner), to find a squeaky clean replacement. Enter Smoothy: a soy dog-eating, purple dinosaur suit-wearing Good Samaritan who plays children's songs for free in a methadone clinic in the slums. Also known as the perfect sucker for Stokes and Nora's manipulation.

Of course, the children's television world isn't all fun and games — then again, neither is this movie. Between Rainbow Randolf's demented attempts at revenge (which include, among other things, an overly elaborate speaking engagement set up at a Nazi party rally) and clandestine advice Stepdad isn't Mean, He's just enough to be a comedy. Frankly, the



Norton plays the title character of an ultra squeaky-clean children's television host in the incredibly not funny dark comedy "Death to Smoochy."

"Death to Smoochy"

Starring: Edward Norton, Robin Williams, Danny

DeVito, Catherine Kenner and Jon Stewart

(played by Danny DeVito) and a fairly a finger on the exact reason; the movie

pointless r o m a n c e between Smoochy and Nora, moviegoers will wonder why the movie isn't funny (despite a welltimed Notre Dame Fight Song before a

Director: Danny DeVito

from Smoochy's scumbag agent, Burke Adjusting"). It's truthfully hard to put

seems to have all the ingredients for a good film. It's the recipe that spoils this film.

The big problem "Death Smoochy" is that it's not dark enough to

twisted children's song entitled "My be a dark comedy and not absurd

movie can't get over its initial premise, which its producers apparently think is hysterical. It's not.

Williams' sad clown act is more than worn-out and so is his funny clown act. Norton puts in an adequate performance as an ultra-squeaky-clean overgrown Boy Scout, but the fact that his character is completely unchanging throughout the movie makes for an eye-glazing hour and a half.

The strongest performances come from the Stewart and Kenner. Stewart's consummate smarmy jibing that he perfected from working on "The Daily Show" and receiving countless schoolyard beatings in elementary school is nothing short of artful. And Kenner manages to balance sexy and abrasive well. The banter between the two, which is about as potty-mouthed as an episode of Southpark on methyl amphetamine, is razor sharp and live-

Luckily, DeVito is an excellent director and manages to save his all-star cast from utter embarrassment. With credentials like directing "The War of the Roses" and "Throw Momma From the Train" as well as being an executive producer of "Pulp Fiction," DeVito squeezes a few laughs out of a movie that in other hands would have gone straight to video.

DeVito has a keen eye for interesting cinematography and the movie is edited well. But the half-witted premise of "Smoochy" is its kiss of death.

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High thrills in 'High Crimes'

By EMILY HOWALD Assistant Scene Editor

"High Crimes" is yet another thrilling and attention-grasping flick by the wonderfully paired duo of Ashley Judd and Morgan Freeman. These two have not been on the screen together since 1997's "Kiss the Girls," but their onscreen chemistry prevails again in this continuous quest for the truth and jus-

Claire Kubick (played by Ashley Judd) is a highly-esteemed lawyer whose hus-

band, Tom (played by James Caviezel), accused of firstdegree murder. The charge goes back to an event he had as a soldier in El Salvador in 1988.

Claire, the trusting wife,

does everything in her power to save her husband. She is assured of her husband's innocence and teams up with a young military lawyer (played by Adam Scott) and a former alcoholic local attorney Charles Grimes (played by Morgan Freeman). The three join forces with Claire's sister, Jackie (played by Amanda Peet), who adds comic relief to the thriller.

In fighting for Tom's innocence, the group uncovers the truth of what actu-

ally happened in El Salvador. Not only are they faced with obstacles in finding the truth about Tom's case, the military also uses its power to deter Claire and Grimes from the case and into trouble.

Judd does an excellent job of portraying the headstrong, confident lawyer, characteristics necessary for her to get to the end of the trial. However, she also possesses that gentle sweetness she usually portrays in her characters which grasps and tugs at the viewers' heartstrings who want her to find contentment in the end.

Meanwhile, Freeman plays his usual role of the elderly man who is way past his prime. But his experience adds interesting twists to usual procedures. Judd and Freeman shine once again and "High make

Crimes" a film worth seeing.

"High Crimes"

Starring: Morgan Freeman, Ashley Judd and

Director: Carl Franklin

James Caviezel

There are numerous unique turns throughout the film but the storyline is common and predictable. There are some unexpected events that make the film better than the usual military law film, yet it doesn't completely distinguish itself from that common formula

Director Carl Franklin does an excellent job of keeping the story moving and keeping the viewer in suspense.



Morgan Freeman and Ashley Judd reunite in the military justice thriller "High Crimes." The pair also shared the screen in 1997's "Kiss the Girls."

The film makes you want to question everything and Franklin keeps you wondering until the very end about the truth of what may have actually happened.

The 115-minute long film is well worth the money and the trip to the theater. It grasps the audience's attention from the beginning and doesn't let go until the very end. Though it may not keep the audience guessing throughout the whole film, it will keep its attention. Although one does have to feel sorry for Judd on occasions, it isn't

a heartthrob film. Rather, "High Crimes" is an interesting and entertaining movie that will satisfy audiences.

Freeman and Judd successfully use a common plot with different angles to makes the storyline more enjoyable. The duo brings back to theaters a film that makes the audience wonder if everything you trust, everything you know, may be a lie.

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Two Tickets for "The Rookie"

'Rookie:' another touching baseball movie

If living in South Bend hasn't eroded your belief in the eternal renewal of springtime, then perhaps a film about baseball still can. Time to root, root, root for the home team as Melissa Rauch (MR)

and Paul Camarata (PC) make a double play on

PC: Today's question is whether America keeps producing great baseball stories whether baseball keeps producing great American movies. Say what you want about that opening to "Patton," but it ain't got nothing on a home plate umpire yelling, "Play ball."



Melissa Rauch and **Paul Camarata**

Scene Movie Critics

MR: But this really isn't an American story, Paul. We're dealing with Texans

PC: Woah, woah, little lady. You're getting dangerously close to breaking rule numero uno: Don't mess with Texas. Our job here is to review a movie, not to mess with Texas.

MR: Trust me, I would never do anything of the sort. I only mean that Texas is one state not suffering from any self-esteem problems. Texans are proud of their people and their stories, as is evident in the film "The Rookie," which recounts the triumph of a high school science teacher turned major league relief pitcher Jim Morris. In his early 20s, Morris had embarked on a pro baseball career when a shoulder injury curtailed his dream. Years later his arm only sees action when throwing batting practice for the high school team he coaches. When the team struggles, Morris attempts to inspire his players by making a fateful deal: If they win the district championship, he'll try out again for the majors.

Though the film frequently seems farfetched and schmaltzy, the "based on a true story" seal of authenticity lets the audience suspend its natural disbelief at the implausibility of what transpires. Of course, as "The Hurricane" and "A Beautiful Mind" have already taught us, Hollywood frequently takes liberties with the truth when illustrating such supposed real-life heroic tales. Nevertheless, "The Rookie" will still satisfy its audiences with an uplifting story about following dreams set against the backdrop of America's favorite pastime.

PC: Without knocking what the film does accomplish, I will say that merely sticking to the basic components of every baseball movie ever made automatically provides fodder from the culture to please the masses. Normally I'm the cynic when it comes to a movie relying on its genre to generate success, particularly when the Bruce Willis action category can presuppose superhuman cop skills from anyone who smokes cigarettes. In this case I can make an exception, since its baseball we're talking about and not wannabe heroes.

MR: The issue, then, is where this baseball movie stacks up in the diverse, historical canon that includes both "Rookie of the Year" and "Field of Dreams."

PC: Don't forget "The Natural" or "The



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"The Rookie" follows the story of Jim Morris, a high school science teacher, who is offered the opportunity of a lifetime when he is able to fulfill his dreams of pitching in the major leagues.

MR: Or "The Bad News Bears" or "Bull Durham."

PC: Or "Little Big League" or "Major

MR: Or "Major League 2" or "Major League 3: Back to the Minors, which went straight to video.

PC: Or "The Scout" or "Eight Men Out."

MR: Or "Angels In the Outfield" or "Damn Yankees."

PC: Or "Mr. Baseball" or "Mr. Destiny."

MR: Or "For the Love of the Game" or "For the love of God, Kevin Costner, please give it a rest."

PC: "Ed."

PC: What range, everything from the 1919 Black Sox scandal to Matt LeBlanc and a monkey. The common thread is, of course, overcoming adversity in that swell

family and his hometown, Quaid finds a

way to reconcile them all in the pursuit of

interface between reality and the magic of the national pastime. Mike Rich's script for "The Rookie" opened a bit slow for my taste, but all in the effort of forging a backdrop of frontier folklore to further underscore the American-ness of the story. Dennis Quaid picked up the slack, mostly because he's believable as both

his dreams.

Hernandez a resilient everyman and a hopeful romantic. Torn by his jostled childhood, his own

Director: John Lee Hancock

"The Rookie"

Melissa's rating

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Starring: Dennis Quaid, Rachel Griffiths and Jay

MR: Quaid, and that charming grin of his, definitely shines. Also convincing is Rachel Griffiths, who, though a native Australian, gives an understated and realistic performance as Jimmy's patient Texan wife, Lorrie. The colorful cast of supportive townspeople, full of local charm, entertains as well. Shifting to the film's weaknesses, the strained relationship between Jim and his military father seemed underdeveloped and unnecessary. Viewers never know why Jim Morris Sr. is so unsupportive of his son's dreams or why Dad comes around in the end. The film has plenty of material to tell its tale without resorting to this distracting subplot that comes off as a shameless copycat of the "Field of Dreams" father-son bonding finale. These scenes look like Hollywood embellishments rather than real-life

PC: Of course Hollywood embellishes tion implausible. I mean, you have seen the movie "John Q". There was plenty of opportunity for these filmmakers to bend

> the particulars of the Morris story so that his melodramatic triumph occurred against the Pinstripes from the Bronx (see D a m n Yankees, "Major League," "For the Love of the Game") or in on an overblown World Series stage. That Morris resurrects his career

at all is balanced nicely by the fact that he does it in the lowly Tampa Bay Devil Rays organization. If this film were a "movie" and not steeped in the real world, a lot more sap would likely be dripping from the

MR: You want sap? What about the highly unlikely, extremely fortunate coincidence that the thirty-five year old gets his big-league break and that his very first game is against the Texas Rangers? This lucky break provides for a heartwarming conclusion to the narrative as Morris's family, students and the rest of the crew from Big Lake can drive to The Ballpark in Arlington to cheer for their hometown

PC: If his first game was in Texas, Mel, it was in Texas. To quote the punk band Bad Religion, "Sometimes truth is stranger than fiction." Occasionally there are people whose real lives become "SportsCenter" highlights or feature pieces in Time magazine. That's what this and so many other movies are about. Yes, "The Rookie" had its rough edges, my biggest complaint being that they couldn't find a way to work Randy Quaid into the gang of Texas yokels Stadium. But then maybe we should applaud director John Lee Hancock for resisting the temptation to fabricate a surprise visit from some mythical "Cousin Eddie." My tolerance is admittedly higher because it's baseball, but I know this movie works, at least within its genre, because there were still plenty of moments when I got verklempt.

MR: Don't get me wrong, aside from the father-son bit and a few too many music montages, I thought this was a very enjoyable movie. While not reaching the ranks of "Field of Dreams" or "The Natural" in the pantheon of classic baseball movies. "The Rookie" still holds it own — both as a rousing sports tale and a drama of the human spirit. And speaking of getting verklempt, a Devil Ray is neither a devil nor a ray: discuss.

When it comes to real, real-life baseball, Paul and Mel's true loves are Al Leiter and defensive indifference, respectively. They also share an affinity for Lenny Dykstra and can be reached at pcamarat@nd.edu and mrauch@nd.edu.

Laughs, sobs, cheap beer and Sega

"A Night of One-Acts" examines both the mundane and the abstract

By JOE MUTO Scene Writer

Dickey Seaman's housekeeper wants to teach him about the birds and bees. There's only one problem: Dicky isn't attracted to her. She's 30 years older than he is and not exactly svelte.

"How skinny would I have to be for you to want me?" the coy housekeeper Consuela John Stamos Pinata, asks in a thick Spanish accent.

"Thin enough to wear the ring off a pudding can as a belt," answers a totally serious Dickey.

"What flavor?"

Senorita Pinata deadpans back.

This exchange is from "Why Dickey Seaman Sucks at Life," one of two plays in "A Night of One-Acts," a new production co-written and directed by senior Ryan Cunningham and junior Molly McShane.

"Why Dickey Seaman Sucks at Life" follows a conversation between Dickey (played by freshman Paul Sifuentes) and his therapist (played by sophomore Ricky Herbst) who reminisce and try to discover the root of Dickey's problems.

"The play questions what is normal by showing Dickey Seaman and his life as completely bizarre, completely offensive and completely absurd ... hopefully the audience will question what is normal in their own lives, as he does," Cunningham said.

Despite the serious-sounding intent, the play by McShane and Cunningham is anything but serious.

"Basically we just tried to make each other laugh," McShane said.

In fact, comedy is just what one would expect from the pair.

McShane, who got campus-wide attention last year following the formation of her Molly's Club, is also a member of the campus sketch comedy group The University of Notre Dame Humor Artists. Cunningham is wellknown as the stand-up comedian from the 2002 Keenan Revue and for his comic strip "Befuddled and Bemused," which runs daily in The Observer. But fans of the comic should not necessarily expect the same thing in the play.

"There's a lot less drawing in the show than there is in the comic," Cunningham said.

"Why Dickey Seaman Sucks at Life" is the second play in a theatrical doubleheader sponsored by Morrissey

Starting the night off is "The Common Room," a play written and directed by senior Joe Larson, Larson, who started writing the play during fall break of his freshman year, also stars as Mark, one of four freshman quadmates. The action takes place over a two-week span and is set entirely in a common room where the centerpiece is a tiny television and a Sega Genesis sporting the legendary game "NHL Hockey '94." Larson hopes the play will resonate with students who will find much of the conversation and many of the situations familiar.

"I thought [guys hanging around a

dorm] had unique experience. Some of the stuff they say is so funny," Larson said.

Larson. who describes filmmaker Kevin Smith as a big influence, attempts a funny yet heartfelt portrayal of the trials and tribulations of college life. The plot centers

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around the guiet, earnest Mark as he pines for his long-distance girlfriend and his cynical, know-it-all friend

Andy (played by senior Alan Maginn), who believes that college students should limit their activities to drinking cheap beer and hooking up. The rest of the cast includes junior Michael Grant as Wade, the ugly

"Our best practice was the

time we had a 40s

rehearsal. There weren't

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pretty cool."

Ernie Grigg

actor

his Econ class and sophomore Ernie sex and other controversial issues

Grigg as Han, who has accepted the fact that his roommates assume he is gay despite the fact he has a girlfriend. The quad is occasionally visited by Rick, the weird guy who lives upstairs and only ventures down to mooch food or drunkenly pass out on the couch.

With "Common Room" Larson has gone for a true sense of realism, even

accidentally casting actors with no acting experience. Grigg was not exactly truthful about his acting experience at the audition.

"I lied. I told them I had been in a play," Grigg said.

Larson also strove to maintain a real common room

atmosphere at rehearsals, attempting to get the five cast members to bond.

"Our best practice was the time we had \mathbf{a} rehearsal," Grigg said. "There weren't actually any 40s, but we had some beer, so that was pretty cool."

"I just hope [the audience]

thinks it's funny. Actually,

I just hope they don't think

it sucks."

Joe Larson

writer-director

plays are The guaranteed to be different from the standard theatrical fare

friend who is obsessing over a girl in presented on campus. Both deal with

candidly and both make liberal use of explicit language.

"We drop the F-bomb a lot," Grigg said. "A lot."

McShane doesn't think this should scare away audiences.

"My friend who's fairly religious saw the play and she really enjoyed it," McShane said. "She wasn't offended at all."

> Larson McShane, both first time writer-directors, are somewhat optimistic about the success of their plays.

"I think it's going to be better than expected," McShane said. "Of course, now that I've said that, it's going to be worse."

Larson is more fatalistic about his

"I just hope [the audience] thinks it's funny." Larson said. "Actually, I just hope that they don't think it

"A Night of One-Acts" will be presented tonight at 7 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. Tickets are \$3 and are available at the LaFortune Student Center Box Office at 631-8128.

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Photo courtesy of Joe Larson

Larson's cast attempted to keep the common room atmosphere during the rehearsal process. They even had a 40s rehearsal to promote cast bonding.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Sox continue Tigers' skid

Associated Press

DETROIT

The Detroit Tigers' losing streak stretched to eight — their worst start in a half-century — as Frank Thomas capped a five-run fifth inning with a three-run homer that led the Chicago White Sox to a 7-5 win Wednesday.

The Tigers, the major leagues lone winless team, also started the 1952 season 0-8. Detroit has lost two games since Luis Pujols replaced Phil Garner as manager.

Chicago won three of four to split an eight-game road trip. Thomas, who hit his 350th homer Tuesday, has hit three homers in three games.

Antonio Osuna (1-0) gave up two hits in 1 2-3 innings. He stranded two baserunners when he entered the game with two outs and a 6-5 lead in the fifth. Four relievers followed, including Keith Foulke, who earned his save second save in three opportunities.

White Sox starter Jon Garland gave up five runs and 10 hits including three homers — in 4 1-3

Jose Lima (0-2), who squandered a two-run lead, allowed up six runs on six hits in 4 2-3 innings, lowering his ERA from 18.00 to 13.50.

Detroit stranded 13 runners, including nine in scoring position, and 13 total. With the bases loaded in the seventh, Craig Paquette hit an inning-ending groundout off Bobby

Bobby Higginson's leadoff homer in the first gave the Tigers their second lead since the season opener.

Jose Valentin's sacrifice fly tied the game in the second, but Detroit took a 3-1 lead Higginson on Higginson's RBI double in the bottom half and Dmitri Young's homer in the third, his first with the Tigers.

Lima then gave up five runs on

four hits and a walk in the fifth. Royce Clayton's RBI triple and Kenny Lofton's preceded Thomas'homer.

Rockies 4, Astros 1

Todd Zeile homered for the third straight game, and Shawn Chacon allowed one earned run in 6 1-3 innings to lead the Colorado Rockies over the Houston Astros.

Chacon (1-1) gave up five hits, struck out five and hit two batters. He had lost six straight decisions since defeating San Francisco last

Zeile hit a two-run homer in the eighth inning, his third of the season. He was 2-for-4.

Larry Walker had two hits, including his third homer of the season, and drove in two runs.

Dave Mlicki (0-2), starting against Colorado for the first time since June 19, 1998, allowed two earned runs and eight hits in six innings.

Chacon had much better control than he did in a 9-0 loss to Los Angeles on Friday, when he allowed eight runs and walked five in 3 2-3 innings. He didn't allow a runner past second base Wednesday until Richard Hidalgo led off the seventh inning with a homer to left-center.

Hidalgo's second homer of the season pulled the Astros to 2-1.

Chacon left in the seventh with one out and runners on first and second. but Kent Mercker got a forceout at second and Craig Biggio hit an inning-ending lineout off Todd Jones.

Jose Jimenez pitched the ninth for his third save.

Mets 3, Cubs 2

Roberto Alomar homered for the first time with the Mets and Mike Piazza followed with a home run of his own to give New York a victory over the Chicago Cubs.

The back-to-back homers in the

eighth inning spoiled a solid outing by Kerry Wood, who struck out 10 and scattered four hits over seven innings. Chicago was trying to win consecutive games for the first time this season.

With the Cubs leading 2-1, Jeff Fassero (0-2) relieved Wood to start the eighth and got two quick outs. But Alomar, who had been 1-of-18 against lefties, put the first pitch he saw into the right-field bleachers. It was the first NL homer since Sept. 17, 1990, for Alomar, acquired by the Mets from Cleveland in December.

Piazza, who struck out in his first three at-bats, had an opposite-field homer to right on a 3-1 pitch. Fassero finally got Edgardo Alfonzo on a popup to end the inning, and was booed as he left the field.

Todd Hundley drove in a run with a pinch-hit sacrifice fly in the seventh.

David Weathers (2-0) allowed one hit in 1 2-3 innings. Armando Benitez pitched the ninth for his first save, striking out one and allowing a double to Alex Gonzalez.

Benitez made things interesting. Trying to hold Gonzalez on base, he overthrew second and Gonzalez took third as the ball rolled into center field. Pinch-hitter Delino DeShields followed with a game-ending flyout.

With the wind blowing in at Wrigley Field, it was a pitcher's duel early.

Wood gave up only one hit after the third inning, and Shawn Estes allowed only one all day.

But both pitchers ran into trouble in the seventh. Alfonzo got the Mets going with a leadoff, full-count walk, and Jeromy Burnitz followed with a

Mark Johnson sacrificed to put both runners into scoring position, and Alfonzo scored on Rey Ordonez's sacrifice fly.

Dispute moves to next phase

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE

After 20 days of testimony over four months from nine witnesses, the hearing phase of the grievance by baseball players to block contraction likely came to an end Wednesday.

Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief operating officer, completed his testimony Wednesday and was followed by Bob Starkey, an accounting consultant who has worked for the commissioner's office and the Minnesota Twins.

Tom Ostertag, baseball's general counsel, was recalled to the witness chair by the union and answered additional questions.

The sides and arbitrator Shyam Das are working on an agreement that would allow the rest of the case to proceed without additional witnesses, union lawyer Michael Weiner said. The sides hope by next week they will have an agreement on a schedule to complete the case.

Owners voted Nov. 6 to eliminate two teams for the 2002 season and the players filed a grievance the following day, hours before their labor contract expired, claiming the decision violated

While management's attempt to fold the Minnesota Twins and Montreal Expos was stopped by a Minnesota injunction, the union is continuing with its grievance. Das will decided whether owners have the right to eliminate teams, or if they must have the union's agree-

Owners say they must merely bargain over the effects of contraction, such as a dispersal draft of players. If Das rules for the union, the grievance would continue to a damage phase and owners would have to deal with contraction in collective bargaining.

Talks for a new labor contract, which recessed March 13, are likely to resume Tuesday.

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NCAA Men's Basketball

NCAA puts KSU on probation

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Kentucky State was placed on two years' probation by the NCAA on Wednesday for eligibility and recruiting violations in four sports, including men's

basketball.

The NCAA investigation found that basketball coach Winston Bennett, before officially employed by the university, recruited a player, and that another player competed with the basketball team before fulfilling one academic year in residence.

In 1998, former cross country and track and field coach Marcus Henderson entered an ineligible female runner under another athlete's name in two events at the Samford University Invitational meet.

The NCAA also said several men's and women's track and field and cross country athletes participated in team practices while not enrolled full-time, and some practiced and competed before receiving a certification of eligibility. Another track and field athlete competed after his eligibility was exhausted.

Another violation involved a

walk-on baseball player who, because he was not recruited, never submitted eligibility papers to the NCAA. He practiced and played in 37 games in spring 2000.

None of the athletes was identified in the report by the NCAA Infractions Committee.

In addition to two years probation, which began Wednesday, Kentucky State will be limited in the 2002-03 academic year to one contact with each basketball recruit and two tryout dates for students already enrolled.

Also, each year during probation, university officials must attend an NCAA compliance seminar. The school was not required to forfeit athletic scholarships.

Kentucky State athletic director Derrick Ramsey said he expected one year probation, but not two, which he described as "harsh." He noted that the major violations, which involved track and cross country, occurred before he joined the university in July 1999.

The other violations, all secondary offenses, were self-reported by the university, Ramsey said in a telephone interview from Frankfort, Ky.



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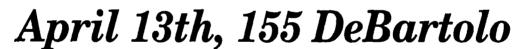
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Bob Estes

golfer

Associated Press

of a grand slam.

AUGUSTA, Ga. The hype over the Masters is no longer about the possibility

This time, it's the punishment expected from a grand course.

Augusta National has undergone many changes since Tiger Woods left last April after completing his unprecedented sweep of the four biggest tournaments in golf.

Starting Thursday, Woods will try to defend his title on a super-sized version of Augusta, a course that has been stretched to nearly 7,300 yards and figures to provide the 89man field with the toughest test in Masters history.

"It's just not as much fun as it used to be to come here and play," Bob Estes said. "You'll still have great champions, but you won't have as many opportunities to make birdies and eagles.'

Chris DiMarco, the 36-hole leader last year in his Masters debut, added: "If we don't have any rain, it's going to be brutal. A couple under (par) could win the tournament.'

The final swing from Woods last year was a 75-yard lob wedge from the 18th fairway. He made birdie from 15 feet for a 16-under 272, the fourth-best score in Masters history and two strokes shy of his record 270 when he won his first green jacket in 1997.

Woods expects to have anything from a 5-iron to a 7-iron for his second shot in the 18th. He didn't even have that much club for his second shot on

some of the par 5s.

Even his preparation has changed. Woods used to watch videos of past Masters to see if he could detect peculiar bounces along the fairways and breaks on the green.

"That doesn't happen anymore, because these are all new holes for us," he said.

Well, not all of them.

Only half of the 18 holes were changed during the largest renovation project in the 70-year history of Augusta National.

Bulldozers cleared out Georgia pines to make room for a tee box that is 60 yards farther back on No. 18. The club had to buy

land from adjacent Augusta Country Club

for a new tee on the par-5 13th. David Duval used to reach that green with a 5-iron. Now, he has put a 7-wood in his bag, which goes about 235 yards.

What does it all mean?

The player with the lowest score will slip into a green jacket at the end of the Masters, of course. What remains to be seen is what kind of score it will

"I don't know what kind of number you put on the increased difficulty of the golf course," Duval said. "I think you'll see a lot of 70s each day, 71s, scores that are more reflective of the other majors."

The scores were never a source of irritation for Augusta National chairman Hootie Johnson when he announced the sweeping changes last year. The clubs players were hitting into the green on the par 4s were what bothered him.

"We just hated that time after time, they were pulling out sand wedge or pitching wedge," Johnson said.

A sand wedge into the renovated par 4s will probably mean a player has hit into the deep bunkers or crowded trees and had to pitch out.

Booming tee shots are no longer as helpful unless the ball

> goes where players are aiming. Hitting it long and straight won't mean much without a good week

putting.

"It puts a huge premium on driving the ball," said Woods, a heavy favorite to join Jack Nicklaus (1965-66) and Nick Faldo (1989-90) as the only repeat Masters champions. "And no matter who wins this tournament, their short game is going to be tested."

Still, renovated Augusta National figures to be an advantage for big hitters.

"Any time anybody hits the ball farther than another person and can do things to a golf course that somebody else can't do, they're going to have an advantage," Nicklaus said. "Power is a very big issue on his golf course."

That's why Nicklaus, a sixtime Masters champion who is not playing this year because of a bad back, was pleased with the changes. But simply adding 285 yards and stretching half of the holes produces another set of dynamics. "It does eliminate part of the field," Nicklaus said, referring to the short hitters.

Not everyone agrees, and that's one of the many developments that will unfold over the next four days.

"For many years, the guys here could just hit it as hard as they can and had a huge advantage around this golf course, mainly because the difference between a 7-iron and a pitching wedge is dramatic," Greg

Norman said. "Now, the long hitters are hitting 8-irons, and the shorter hitters are hitting 6-irons, and that's not that big of a differ-

ence.' Norman faces what might be his last chance to win the major he covets the most. At 47, he

was given a rare foreign invitation and might have to earn his way back to Augusta National next vear.

For Phil Mickelson, it's his next chance to win his first major championship, the only thing missing from his remarkable record of 20 PGA Tour victories in his 10-year career.

Duval has been in contention on the back nine Sunday at Augusta each of the last four years, has never shot worse than 70 in the final round and still hasn't won.

All the hype is about the new Augusta National. By Sunday afternoon, the focus will shift back to the players who are desperate to win golf's most prestigious prize.

Par-3 perfect for Price

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. Sometimes, winning at

Augusta isn't the ultimate goal. As champion of the Masters par-3 contest Wednesday, Nick Price knows the feeling.

Price defeated Mark Calcavecchia on the second hole of a playoff to earn one of the more dubious titles in golf. No player who has won the par-3 contest has gone on to win the main tournament that

Price and Calcavecchia tied with scores of 5-under 22 on the cute little course, located just behind the 10th hole at Augusta National.

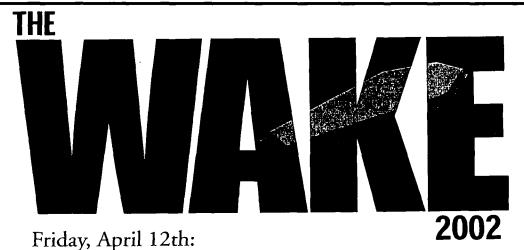
Price won when Calcavecchia dumped two shots into the huge lake on the second playoff hole. After the second water ball, Calcavecchia reached over and shook Price's

While Price won the tournament, the star of the day was Toshi Izawa of Japan.

Izawa made holes-in-one on Nos. 5 and 6 and joined Claude Harmon (1968) as only the second player to ace back-to-back holes on the par-3 course.

Izawa also made quadruplebogey on No. 4 and finished at 1 under.

'I don't want to use up all my luck today," he said. "I want to save some for the tour-



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RCIA: Journey to Becoming Catholic

Believe.

■ by Fr. Gary Chamberland, c.s.c. Rector, Keenan Hall & Assistant Director, RCIA

God and with the Church.

[NOTE: This column was initially written to appear just before Spring Break]

This past Sunday, nineteen members of the Notre Dame community joined the Roman Catholic Church at the 11:45 a.m. Basilica Mass. After the homily, they were called forward and asked to join with the assembly in professing the creed. Baptized Christians this served as a reaffirmation of their faith. They were then invited to affirm that baptismal faith in the context of the Catholic Church. Together they proclaimed, "I believe and profess all that the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches and proclaims to be revealed by God," - a bold statement of faith and of confidence by the newest members of our faith community.

Liturgy is a powerful tool that can bring us up short and make us confront the very reality in

which we claim to exist. As the presider at Sunday's liturgy, that simple and straight-I cannot look at these journeyers on forward statement took me aback. "I believe and profess all that the holy Catholic the road to discipleship in the Catholic Church believes, teaches and proclaims to be revealed by God." Bold, powerful and Church and fail to recognize that they awesome are words to describe such a procactively seek what I have always had. lamation. Daunting, overwhelming and impossible are other words that some might They long for what I have taken for also use. It would be easy to dismiss such a granted and, at times, not really even statement as a simple liturgical formula cared about. Their presence calls us without much meaning or import. Yet, that casts a pall over all liturgical statements and to reflect on our own relationship with

formulas. One wouldn't want to journey too far down that path with regards to other statements such as "The Body of Christ."

No, the statement must be understood as it was spoken and the act of faith it represents be taken as the awesome reality which it is. As I listened to these candidates profess their faith, as I witness the catechu-

mens depart each week after the homily to further reflect on God's word and their journey toward baptism, as I watch these men and women give up precious time, energy and effort to reflect on their lives, their beliefs and their heart's desires, I am in awe. I cannot look at these journeyers on the road to discipleship in the Catholic Church and fail to recognize that they actively seek what I have always had. They long for what I have taken for granted and, at times, not really even cared about. Their presence calls us to reflect on our own relationship with God and with the Church.

In fifteen years of working with RCIA programs, I know that it is not an easy journey for those seeking to be baptized or those desiring full communion in the Church. There can be a lot of dying to self along the way. Parents and family, though often supportive, do not always understand. The church's teaching challenges personal opinions and beliefs about morality, ethics, spirituality and dogma. American individualism meets communitarianism head-on and the clash can be difficult to negotiate. Truly, it is a leap of faith to stand before the gathered assembly and proclaim, "I believe and profess . . ." And it should be, because faith is what it is all about.

It was faith that led these men and women to the church in the first place and it is faith that will sustain them along the road of life. The process of formation and catechesis must be thorough in its attempt to expose the enquirers to our beliefs and practices. But no program will give them everything; no process can remove all doubt and fear. Ultimately, each person, after study, reflection and prayer must jump into the unknown reality of faith or not. Each of us, as Catholics, must make the statement with our lips, our heart and our lives, "I believe everything that the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches and professes to be revealed by God."

That doesn't mean that we won't have doubts and questions or come to some degree of intellectual dissent. It is rather a profound sense of an inspired Church – a Church living under the guidance of the Spirit and operating in the world to bring all of creation to the glory of God's kingdom. It is a deep recognition that there is something greater than us at work in the mystery of the Church; that there are truths beyond our current ability to understand. It is a statement made in a moment to be lived out and fulfilled in a lifetime. It is an act of faith proclaimed in truth today that is also act of hope that proclaims its future fulfillment. It is an invitation to the Holy Spirit to bring to completion the work already begun.

As we celebrate the lives of faith of our new Catholic brothers and sisters, let us pray for them as they continue their journey of faith. And let us pray for ourselves as well. Guided by their example, may we enter more deeply into our life of faith in the Church and become more completely that which we proclaim to be – members of the Body of Christ.



MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Griffey set to return in 3 to 6 weeks

Associated Press

CINCINNATI Ken Griffey Jr.'s injured right knee is healing quickly and he could return to the

field in three to six weeks, the Cincinnati Reds' team doctor said following a re-examina-

tion Wednesday.

There has been "vast improvement" in the knee since the All-Star center fielder partially tore the patella tendon and partially dislocated his kneecap during a rundown in Sunday's game against Montreal, Dr. Timothy Kremchek said.

"Junior has a full range of motion" Kremchek said. "I am convinced he is right on target to return in three to six weeks"

Griffey, who began twicedaily physical therapy sessions "Junior has a full range of motion. I am convinced he is right on target to return in three to six weeks."

Timothy Kremchek Reds' team doctor

on Monday, was placed on the 15-day disabled list and stayed behind in Cincinnati as the Reds began a road trip in Pittsburgh.

Orthopedist Dr. James Andrews, a Reds consultant, examined a magnetic resonance imaging scan of Griffey's knee and concurred with Kremchek's diagnosis.

"I recommend Griffey let the injury heal without surgery," Andrews said.

The Reds are hoping Griffey

can return with rest and rehab.

If not, he would have to undergo surgery, which could sideline him for the rest of the season

Ruben Mateo was called up from Triple-A Louisville to take Griffey's spot on the 25man roster.

Griffey was bothered during spring training by tendinitis in

the same knee.

Last year, Griffey missed most of the first three months because of a partially torn left hamstring.

The Reds also said infielder Juan Castro was playing his first game with Triple-A Louisville in Durham, N.C., on a medical rehabilitation assignment when he aggravated his strained left hamstring and left the game Wednesday. He is to be re-evaluated on Thursday in Cincinnati.

Farnsworth breaks right foot

Associated Press

CHICAGO

As if the Chicago Cubs needed more trouble, reliever Kyle Farnsworth broke a bone in his right foot Wednesday and is likely to be sidelined for four to six weeks.

He'll be put on the 15-day disabled list Thursday, but the Cubs didn't announce who will take his spot.

The right-handed setup man was warming up in the bullpen in the seventh inning when he felt something "pop" in his foot. X-rays showed a stress fracture in his right foot.

Farnsworth's injury could be a costly one for the Cubs. The hard-throwing reliever had a 2.74 ERA last season, and he's got a 0.00 ERA with two strikeouts in 1 1/3 innings this year.

And the Cubs learned quickly how much they need him. Chicago manager Don Baylor likely would have brought him in to face Mike Piazza after Roberto Alomar hit a game-tying, solo homer off of Jeff Fassero in the seventh inning Wednesday.

Instead, Baylor left the left-handed Fassero in, and Piazza hit a homer of his own, giving the Mets the 3-2 victory.

Chicago is 2-5, with four of the losses by two runs or fewer.

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Alou heads to minors for batting practice

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Chicago Cubs outfielder Moises Alou, on the disabled list with a strained right calf for the third year in a row, will go to Class-A Daytona this weekend for a rehabilitation assignment.

Alou wants some more at-bats before Monday, the first day he's eligible to come off the disabled list. He took batting practice for a second day Wednesday, and ran without any trouble.

"They gave me a choice, and I felt like it was a good idea since I didn't get that many at-bats in spring training," said Alou, who was sidelined for most of the spring with a strained muscle in his left side. "It's a mutual decision. I think I can use 10 at-bats."

He'll go to Daytona for Friday and Saturday's games. He'll then rejoin the Cubs and hopes to play Monday, when they open a three-game series against the Montreal Expos.

Alou began his career in Montreal, and his father, Felipe, was the longtime manager there.

Though there's artificial turf in Olympic Stadium, he's not worried about it causing problems for his calf.

"I played in Montreal for six years, and I came off the disabled list a few times there," he said. "I'll be careful about it."

The Cubs will make sure of that. They're struggling without Alou, who, along with Sammy Sosa and Fred McGriff, is expected to give Chicago one of the NL's most potent 3-4-5 lineups. The Cubs are hitting .221, and four of their five losses have been by two or fewer runs.

Alou, a career 306 hitter, batted .331 with 27 homers and 108 RBIs for the Astros last season.

Gonzalez skips game with injured hand

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas Juan Gonzalez wasn't in the Texas lineup Wednesday night against Oakland and was to see a specialist about his injured right hand.

After taking some swings in the batting cage before the game, Gonzalez pointed to his right thumb and traced a line along the muscle there when asked what the problem was. The Rangers call it a deep bruise, and Gonzalez said he didn't expect to go on the disabled list.

Rangers spokesman John Blake said Gonzalez was scheduled to see a hand specialist Wednesday night. Blake didn't know when the team would have results from that exam.

After Gonzalez came out of Tuesday's game, he was taken to Arlington Memorial Hospital for X-rays, which were negative.

Gonzalez left the game against the Athletics after two innings. He re-aggravated the injury during his only at-bat, an infield popout. Five days earlier, the two-time AL MVP left a game at Oakland in the ninth inning.

Gonzalez said he initially sustained the injury when he got jammed on a pitch last week in Oakland. He said the pain worsened after several more at-bats, including Tuesday against Barry Zito.

Through seven games in his return to Texas, Gonzalez is hitting .250 (6-for-24) with no homers and no RBIs.

With Gonzalez out and second baseman Michael Young back home in California after the death of a family member, manager Jerry Narron had just two everyday players available on the bench—catcher Bill Haselman and infielder Herbert Perry. Rookie Kevin Mench replaced Gonzalez in right field.

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Eligibility

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too competitive. If we play together for the whole season we have an advantage," Blair said.

"Having plays in bookstore basketball goes against every-thing bookstore is all about," Clemency said.

Other than the Saint Mary's team, Clemency said he thought the new rule change might impact graduate or law school teams with Division II or III players in future years.

"I don't want to see a team with a bunch of D2 players just go out and beat down on everybody," he said.

NCAA eligibility rules usually prevent college basketball players with eligibility remaining from participating in Bookstore Basketball since it, among other things, predetermines rosters, has corporate sponsorship and use referees in later rounds. Thus, Notre Dame basketball

players do not participate in Bookstore until after they have exhausted their eligibility.

"The rule generally is that all competition during the school year that meets those criteria [listed in the NCAA rule book] is banned," said Delise O'Meally, director of membership services for the NCAA.

Saint Mary's, however, received an exception for its basketball players to play in Bookstore since it is a University-sponsored tournament open to all students, according to athletic director Lynn Kachmarik.

The only thing that would stop the Saint Mary's underclassmen from playing would be a ban from head coach Suzanne Smith. Smith, however, has no problem with her team playing.

"They just love playing so I am not going to stop them," Smith said. "If you are going to have an injury, this is the time to do

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Bookstore

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constant, Clemency said there Jamaica.

"We just want to throw as much money at them as possi-

adidas donated all the clothing for the commissioner's clothing, while PJ Marketing and the Bookstore are paying for the embroidery for the clothes. The Bookstore also paid for the printing of the books of team names and brackets for distribution to cap-

Clemency is still in the process of negotiating with campus groups to gain further sponsorship and lower the cost of the tournament even more.

cials and trophies," he said.
The tournament continues through April 28, when the open championship, the women's championship and the hall of fame games will be played.

◆ At least three members of the Lyons courts.

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WNBA

Dunn unsure about Bird

Associated Press

SEATTLE

Everything is telling Seattle Storm coach Lin Dunn to take Sue Bird with the first pick of next week's WNBA draft.

Bird can pass and score. She can run a team. She has good size and can play more than one position.

But Dunn hasn't made up her mind. She's hearing plenty of offers from other teams to trade the No. 1 choice for players or another high draft selection.

"It would have to be an awfully, awfully good offer because Sue Bird is awfully, awfully good," said Dunn, also the team's general manager. "I don't know how often in a lifetime you get point guards who can score like she can."

This is the second consecutive vear Seattle has selected first in the draft. The Storm selected 6foot-5 Australian center Lauren Jackson last year, but still struggled. The team finished 10-22, just four wins better than the franchise's inaugural season the previous year when it finished last in the league at

Dunn said Seattle needs another scorer to become a playoff contender.

She is also considering Oklahoma's Stacey Dales and Nikki Teasley of North Carolina. Dunn will complete a final round of evaluations this weekend at a pre-draft combine for the country's top college seniors in Chicago.

Bird, The Associated Press Player of the Year who led UConn to a 39-0 record this season, would be a good fit in Seattle, where the Storm struggled to score from the perimeter last season and is desperate to find an offensive rhythm.

Seattle shot just 37.8 percent

from the field, and 31.3 percent from 3-point range.

Bird, a 5-foot-9 point guard, averaged 14.4 points and led the nation in free-throw shooting at 89.2 percent for nationalchampion UConn.

Bird worked out with the national team last week in Colorado Springs and scrimmaged against WNBA players.

"I can see her fitting into our style in Seattle," said Storm guard Michelle Marciniak, who attended the workouts in Colorado. "I would love to play with her. She makes everyone around her better and is a very unselfish point guard. I think she would be a great addition to our team for 10 different reasons, and they're all positive."

Despite reports last fall that Jackson was considering not coming back for the second year of her two-year contract. Dunn said she'll have her

is a major change to Bookstore this year. Any registration money left over after paying for officials, set-up fees and trophies will be donated to the Jumpball program. Jumpball is a basketball clinic for underprivileged children in Jamaica run by the Notre Dame Club of

ble," Clemency said.

To keep down costs associated with running the tournament, Clemency has picked up several sponsors. PJ Marketing, adidas and the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore have all donated to the tournament.

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"I'd love one day to run this thing for just the cost of offi-

Notes:

2002 men's basketball team will be playing in this year's tournament. Head coach Mike Brey will play for Stylistics. Its first-round game is scheduled for Tuesday at 4 p.m. Senior forward David Graves will also play in this year's tournament for No. 19 Bacchus. Bacchus' first game is scheduled for Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. Both games will be on Stepan courts. ◆ Reserve senior guard Charles Thomas will play for Big Bry Grill on Saturday at 1 p.m. on

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all the time."

Granted, most coaches don't go through what Mattison and his family went through in December.

But Mattison compared his

situation to that of any person who loses his job. If Mattison had to move, it would have affected his f a m i l y, including his daughter, Lisa, a standout junior on

Notre Dame's softball team and his son, Bryan, a high school senior.

So during the weeks Notre Dame didn't have a head coach, Mattison stayed in contact with recruits and tried not to worry too much about what would happen.

"If you do a good job coaching and work hard at what you're doing, there's always a

job for you," he said. "All you can do as a coach is do the best you can do, and whatever happens, happens."

Having a familiar face on the staff also made the transition remarkably easier for both the players and the new coaches. During the winter months, Mattison helped the new staff get accustomed to Notre

Dame.

He provided a link to the recruiting efforts from Davie

Willingham.
And it's easier for the players to have someone who knows their

capabilities.

"I really like spending all

my time with the

defensive line. That's

what I was hired to do,

and that's what I'll do."

Greg Mattison

defensive line coach

"Having him back was probably the best thing that could have happened," rising junior defensive end Kyle Budinscak said. "He's always put a lot of trust in me, and he's a guy I trust a lot. Having him back as a coach has put me in a much better position."

"I've put a lot of time into

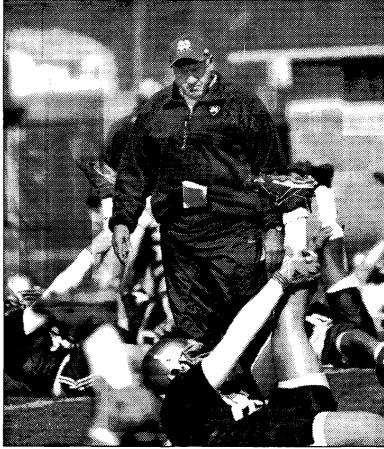
these kids, and I've recruited a lot of them," Mattison said. "I'm just thankful I get to work with a lot of them. You get real close to kids when you recruit them. You put a lot of work into them, you see them grow, and you want to be part of their successes."

One of the biggest adjustments for Mattison was getting used to the responsibilities of only coaching instead of serving as defensive coordinator.

While he doesn't want to compare working with Davie to his current job under Willingham, he said it has been easy to work with the new staff.

"Coordinating is something I've had the opportunity to do, and I like doing it, but I really like coaching," said Mattison, who served as defensive coordinator at Michigan in 1995-96 before coming to Notre Dame as defensive coordinator in 1997. "I really like spending all my time with the defensive line. That's what I was hired to do, and that's what I'll do."

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Greg Mattison, Notre Dame's defensive line coach, was the only member of Bob Davie's staff who was retained.

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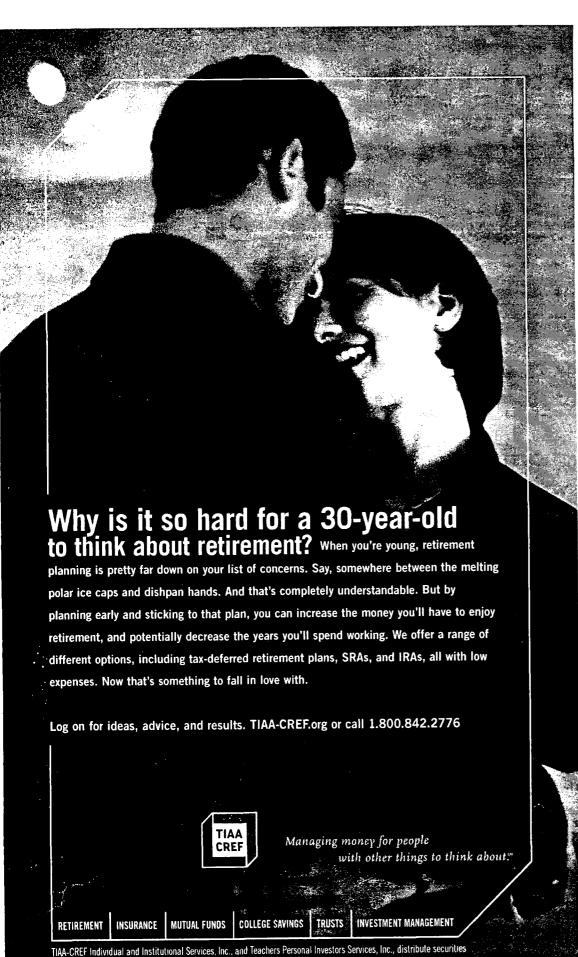
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ND SOFTBALL

Wissen looks to pitch winner

By MATT LOZAR Sports Writer

Carrie Wisen is showing people more than one freshman pitcher is on the Notre Dame softball pitching staff. In today's game against Purdue, Wisen looks to continue her impressive pitching performances.

In her last seven appearances, Wisen is 6-0, has a 0.53 ERA and registered 28 strikeouts in 26 1/3 innings pitched. Wisen's success comes from keeping the hitters guessing.

"Lately, my change-up has been working for me," she said. "I have been able to keep the hitters off-balance.'

Coach Deanna Gumpf needed to use Wisen more with Steffany Stenglein bothered by a groin pull. The Notre Dame head coach knows this experience will help Wisen for more important games in the future.

"Carrie has been throwing more lately to get here ready for Big East," Gumpf said. "She has been doing very well.

Third baseman Andrea Loman and right fielder Liz Hartmann both missed Tuesday's doubleheader sweep of Vaplaraiso. Loman broke her right index finger and Hartmann is suffering from a minor back injury. Both Irish regulars are expected back in the lineup today but Stenglein could miss the game.

"Steff might not go [today]," Gumpf said. "We are going to rest her for the Big East games this weekend. Everyone else should play.'

During their current 10-game winning streak, the Irish have seen their pitching be matched by their offense. As a team, the Irish are batting .361, hit 10 home runs and driven in 72 runners.

"It [run support] gives me more confidence," Wisen said. "I know we are going to score some runs. When I am on the mound, I can just relax.'

Catcher Jarrah Myers and first baseman Lisa Mattison have led the offense throughout the winning streak. Myers is hitting .538 with three home runs and 14 RBI. Mattison has driven in 10 and is batting .500.

Purdue is 29-15 on the year but 0-6 in the Big Ten. The poor record in conference action does not influence Gumpf's assessment of the Boilermakers.

"Purdue is a good team and we need to contain their hitters," the head coach said.

At the top of that Boilermaker offense is second baseman Andrea Hillsey. The freshman leadoff hitter holds a team best .362 batting average. Shortstop Katie Crabtree leads the team with 10 homeruns and 33 runs scored. Crabtree is also second in batting average - .340 and RBI — 36. First baseman Heidi Foster leads Purdue with 39

For the Irish to extend their 10-game winning streak and 23-game home winning streak, they have to keep improving on their entire game.

"We have to keep getting better every day in order to be successful," Gumpf said.

Wisen should start today's game against Purdue. The time for the game has been changed to 5 p.m. and is at Ivy Field.

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An Irish softball team that is on a 10-game win streak and a 23-game home win streak will face off against the Boilermakers this weekend.

SMC SOFTBALL

Belles' game canceled again

By SARAH RYKOWSKI Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's softball team got an unexpected week off and will reopen conference play with its first league home game at Saint Mary's against

After heavy rains Monday, Tuesday's game at Calvin was rained out and rescheduled to Wednesday.

When the Belles walked out to board their bus Wednesday morning to travel to Calvin, Saint Mary's head coach John Ganeff informed them that the game was canceled again and that they were to report to practice at 4 p.m. instead.

"They weren't able to get enough umpires from the league," junior catcher Susan Kutz said. "The game won't be rescheduled this week, because Calvin has a game tomorrow. ryko2948@saintmarys.edu.

We will probably play them next week."

Kutz and her teammates had a good practice Wednesday afternoon but had really looked forward to the game.

"We were all really frustrated that the game was canceled again, but you have to go with the flow," Kutz said.

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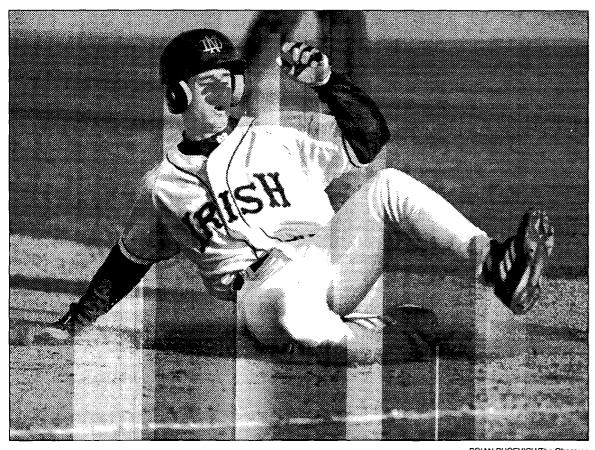
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is really excited about this opportunity for these next two days. I think our players are really anticipating, with a great deal of emotion, these next four games. Hopefully we're going to go and play our very best baseball, have great crowd support and come away with some good victories."

After a disappointing start to the season, the Irish have rallied as of late, winning nine of their last-10 contests. This recent success has been due to solid overall play, offensive-

ly and defensively alike.

Notre Dame's offense has been led by centerfielder Steve Stanley, whose .449 batting average leads the Big East conference. Stanley also leads the team in hits (53), runs scored (24), on-base percentage (.508) walks (13) and stolen bases (19). Third baseman Andrew Bushey is second on the team with a .379 batting average and leads the club with 25 RBIs and 10 doubles.

The pitching staff has posted a 3.52 team ERA and has seen significant contributions from freshman pitchers, Chris Niesel, Grant Johnson and John Axford. This trio has combined to pitch 113.3 out a possible 248.1 innings already this sea-

After a shaky start, Notre Dame's bullpen has strung together several strong performances that have sealed numerous Irish victories, which has been essential in helping the team win.

'[Good relief pitching] just shows the difference in your team when your bullpen performs," Mainieri said. "If you're going to be careful about how deep you're going to let your starting pitchers go into the games, you better be strong in your bullpen. Early in the year we lost a couple of games because we weren't strong with our bullpen, but they've been getting better and better.'

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Paul Mainieri

head coach

Sanchez have also stepped up their game to compensate for the rash injuries the Irish have experíenced. With both shortstops Matt

Macri and Matt Edwards out for the season with injuries, Sanchez has had success being the everyday shortstop for

Notre Dame. "I think he's handled it mar-velously," Mainieri said. "There might be additional pressure, but there's also an ability for him to just relax and play the game because he knows he's our shortstop. I feel like he's gotten better every day out there."

When the Irish take the field on Thursday, they face a Panthers team that has played well for most of the season, en route to already posting 20 wins. Pittsburgh is coming off a doubleheader sweep of Canisius, where right-handed pitcher P.J. Hiser threw a onehitter in the nightcap. With a sweep of Pittsburgh, Notre Dame could move within a game of first place in the logjammed Big East.

Thursday's first game is set for 5 p.m. with the second following approximately 25 minutes after the first game's end.

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WOMEN'S ROWING

Irish need focus to win Crew Classic

By MARK ZAVODNYIK Sports Writer

The women's rowing team will have to get over its solid performance at last weekend's San Diego Crew Classic in a hurry.

The Irish must focus to win this weekend, when they face off against Indiana and Purdue in the Indiana Crew Classic. The regatta will take place at the Eagle Creek Reservoir in Indianapolis.

Notre Dame will see a Purdue squad that was also at the San Diego Crew Classic Ñ the Irish will know before the race what kind of speed Purdue is capable of generating.

"Purdue was there last week," said Irish head coach Martin Stone. "They were racing fairly well."

While the Hoosiers may not be as strong as the Irish, they have made improvements this season.

"Indiana is getting better," said Stone.

At the San Diego Crew Classic, Notre Dame finished ahead of No. 9 USC, No. 14 Texas and No. 19 Oregon State. But despite the great day for the Irish, they cannot afford to overlook this weekend's race.

"We'll stay fairly focused," said

The Irish know how important

each race is. This spring there are only five regattas scheduled before the important Central Region Championship. The Central Region Championship is the race that decides who advances to the NCAA Championships.

There are so few regattas that the Irish need to show that they are a championship-caliber team at every opportunity.

"We have so few opportunities to race. We want to take advantage of them all," said sophomore Natalie Ladine.

In preparation for the race the Irish will have to effectively operate the race plan that worked so well in San Diego. Despite this success Stone knows that the plan can always change given the environment of a particular day's race.

"You can't predict changes in the race plan," said Stone. "The weather conditions can make the course run longer or shorter by as much as a minute."

Although the Irish are better on paper than the teams the will face this weekend, there is always the opportunity to get better.

"We want to see how much of a lead we can get," said Ladine.

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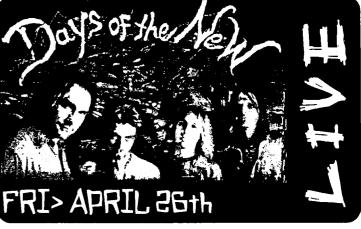
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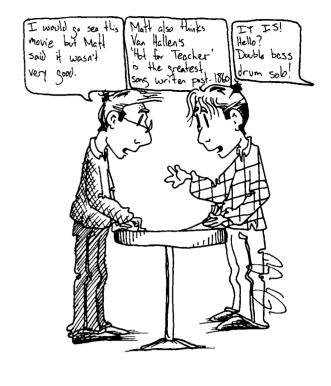
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- 1 Loudspeaker sound (and a letter bank for 60-Across)
- 6 Planets and such
- 10 Steamy
- 14 Howled 15 Raise a stink
- 16 Isaac's firstborn 17 See 71-Across
- 19 Hoosegow
- 20 Freshwater duck 21 Sporty Fords
- 23 What's more
- 27 Going strong 29 Became an
- issue
- 30 See 13-Down 33 Neigh-sayer

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- 34 Educator Horace 67 French cheese 35 Company with a 68 Singer Abdul dog in its logo
- 38 Applicable 41 Do away with
- __ Moines 44 Harmony
- 46 They have long tails
- 47 See 50-Down 50 Many states have them
- 53 Mrs. Chaplin
- Breckinridge" 55 Present from
- birth 57 Knock for a loop
- 59 Dutch cheese 60 See 1-Across
- 66 Queue
- - 11 Jeff Bagwell,
 - notably 12 Hotel staff
 - a letter bank for 30-Across)
 - 22 Without exception

 - 24 Sierra
 - **28** Ruler until 1917

- 69 Monopoly card 70 Sound
- 71 Ludicrous (and a letter bank for 17-Across)

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- 1 London's 2 "Love Story" composer
- Francis 3 "The Fountainhead'
- author Rand 4 VCR button
- 5 Touch up 6 More than fancy 7 Seeing things
- as they are 8 "Wanna _
- 9 "Saturday Night Live" staple
- 10 It's often burning
- 13 Derby prize (and 36 More adorable
- 18 Getting warm
- 23 Orchard pest
- 25 Lord's workers 26 Approximately
- 31 Hang tough 32 Popular card
- game 35 Rootin'-tootin'
- 37 Out of it 39 Dancer Charisse
- 40 Opposite of ecto-
- 42 Abound 45 Pen up
- 47 Made to take the fall
- 48 Main course 49 Spread (on)
- 50 Football locale (and a letter bank for
- 47-Across) 51 Actress
- MacDowell
- 52 Mindless
- 56 Goes back out 58 Vintners' valley
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12, 18, 21, 33, 36, 49 ARIES (March 21-April 19): Stay calm and do your best but ignore anyone who tries to put you down. You will have great ideas today so don't second-guess yourself. Try to be patient with others. 000

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Dealing with institutions or government agencies, or other people for that matter, will be annoying. You are better off to do your own thing and avoid discord. COO

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You can be the life of the party if you use your quick wit and intellect to dazzle those you meet at social events or meetings. Put your money in a safe place so that you aren't tempted to spend on luxury items. 00000

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may find your position a little daunting today. Don't make deci-sions that could be difficult to reverse. You may not be thinking too clearly when it comes to matters of a personal nature.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Travel for business or pleasure and you will make the connections required to get ahead. You will encounter interesting individuals who will help to inspire future adventures. 00000

EUGENIA LAST

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't let others cost you money. Contributing to someone else's cause will not sort out your own problems. Purchases made today will not be satisfactory.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): New and exciting relationships can devel-op if you get out and take part in events that are of interest to you. Your intellect will bring you attention.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your mind will be on professional concerns. Progress can be made financially if you are determined to get others to listen to your ideas. Your reluctance to admit defeat will bring you the success you're looking for. OOO

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You'll be ready for anything that comes your way today. Get involved in physical activities with friends and you will be sure to have a blast. You can learn a lot about yourself in a competitive situation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may have some difficulties at home today. You must not let your emotions interfere with your professional integrity. Someone you care about may let you down. You must do what's best for you. 👀 AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

Friends and colleagues will stand behind you today. Your ability to share your ideas and to creatively help others develop their own ideas will result in popularity and support. 0000

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You can make money today and you will have the added energy to far exceed everyone's expectations Give advice, not cash, when asked and you'll feel much better at the end of the day. OOO

Birthday Baby: Your ideas will always be practical and well thought out You will plan everything carefully and leave no room for error. You will be critical of the ones you love, especially with your siblings and close friends. (Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com,

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXI

Hitting the courts

♦ 31st annual 5-on-5 tournament tips off today

By MIKE CONNOLLY Senior Staff Writer

Bookstore Basketball XXXI tips off today starting at 4 p.m. with 16 first-round and preliminaryround games scheduled for the Stepan courts. No. Heteroskedasticity was the only ranked team scheduled to play today, but the game has been rescheduled to later this weekend.

Head Commissioner Brian Clemency said the 528 teams in this year's tournament are down slightly from the 580 teams in Bookstore XXX but still within the usual range of teams. The goal of the commissioners is to fill at least 512 teams to have at least nine rounds of competition. The largest tournament in the school's history had more than 700 teams, according to Clemency.

"There is just so much fluctuation from year to year we can never predict how many teams we

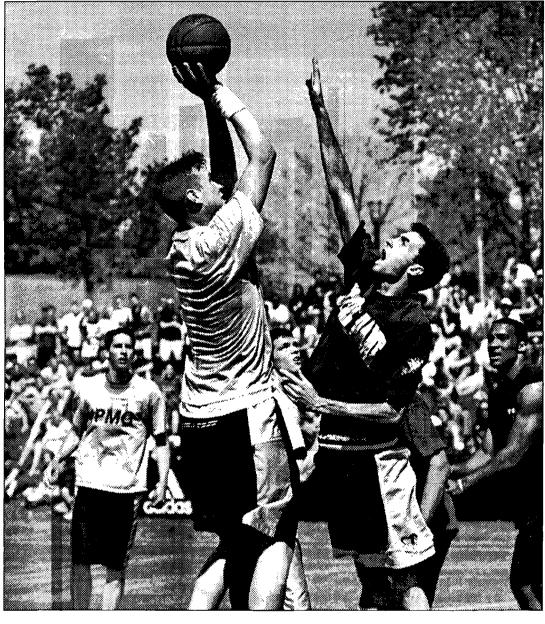
will have," he said.

Through his unofficial observations, Clemency believes the tournament is most popular among freshman males and senior females

"Freshman boys play Bookstore like it is their job, while freshman girls on the whole just don't," Clemency said. "That changes as you go on. Senior year, there are less guys playing [than freshmen] and more senior girls [than fresh-

While participation rates remain

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Bookstore Basketball XXXI gets under way today, still within the usual range of teams despite the change in eligibility rules.

♦ New rules limit number of varsity athletes on teams

By MIKE CONNOLLY Senior Staff Writer

New eligibility rules for Bookstore XXXI are designed to level the playing field and produce a more competitive tournament, according to head commissioner Brian Clemency.

Starting this year, a team may carry no more than three players who have suited up for a Division II or III college in the past 15 years. Any team with a player who suited up for a Division I college in the last 15 years may not carry more than one Division II or III player.

Division II and III players are now classified the same way as Irish football players.

"It was a rule whose time had come. It will make the game more open for everybody," Clemency

The only team affected by the new rule was a team of Saint Mary's basketball players, said Clemency. Last year the Hardcore Strokers, which included five Belles players, made it to the finals of the women's tournament.

This year, Hardcore Strokers includes three Saint Mary's basketball players — Anne Blair, Shaun Russell and Katie Miller — and two other Saint Mary's students.

Blair, a senior, said she was a little disappointed about having to break up her team this year but understood why the change was

"I understand if they think it's

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FOOTBALL

Mattison makes change

By ANDREW SOUKUP Sports Writer

No roller coaster could have more peaks and valleys than the one Greg Mattison rode in December.

The day former head coach Bob Davie was fired, Mattison held his breath because he knew his job was in jeopardy, too. And when George O'Leary re-hired Davie assistants Mattison, Bill Sheridan and Steve

Addazio a week later, the defensive coach probably thought his job was safe.

But two lines of falsified biographical information sent O'Leary out of Notre Dame in disgrace and knocked Mattison back into the realm of uncertainty. Even when Tyrone Willingham was hired, Mattison didn't know for sure if he'd be coaching the Irish.

Finally, about a month after Davie was fired, Willingham offered Mattison

a spot on his defensive staff — not as coordinator but as a defensive line coach.

'That's part of the profession," said Mattison, the lone assistant coach to be retained from Davie's staff. "You take what's given to you, you don't have a choice, you don't have to coach. When you decided to be a coach and coach at the big schools and the big arenas, things like that happen. It happens

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BASEBALL

Rallying Irish use momentum

By JOE HETTLER Assistant Sports Editor

After taking two of three Big East games from St. John's and pulling off a come-from-behind win against Western Michigan in the past week, the Notre Dame baseball team heads into back-to-back Big East doubleheaders with confidence and

momentum.

The Irish (18-11, 5-5) face tests against Pittsburgh on Thursday and Virginia Tech on Friday before having the weekend off.

'We obviously need to take advantage of these games being [at home]," head coach Paul Mainieri said. "I know our team

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

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