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## OIT OKs online election

By HELENA PAYNE  
News Editor

A total of 1,361 votes later, the first online mock election resulted in the victory of the Knute Rockne-Tyrone Willingham ticket, as well as the certainty that students will have their first real online election Monday.



"It's a go," said Dave Mastic, Web technology administrator for the Office of Information Technologies.

Members of OIT monitored the Monday mock elections, where students chose between eight tickets that included Notre Dame-related celebrities such as Regis Philbin, Condoleezza Rice and Phil Donahue.

The most frequent problem encountered, Mastic said, was students' inability to vote because of security features on their browsers. Many students have secured their computers against cookies, which are stored on the hard drive and enable the server to store information about the user regarding Web activity.

"It's necessary to have cookie

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## Library renovations on schedule

◆Second floor  
now has wireless  
Internet access

By KRISTEN KLEIN  
News Writer

Renovations to the Hesburgh Library basement are well underway and patrons now find the air filled with the smells of fresh paint and sawdust emanating from the basement along with the sounds of hammers, drills, and other equipment.

The renovations are scheduled to be completed before the fall semester begins. The basement, formerly known as the pit for its old tile floor, low ceiling, '70s style lunch benches and dark atmosphere, will be only a memory come August. Instead, students will find tile work with the university seal, a service desk, government documents, 700,000 books, a study area, microfilm, microfiche and the microfilm readers.

"I can promise that this August the basement will be open and will offer wireless Internet access," said Marsha Stevenson, renovation coordinator and head of the reference department.

The study area will have new furniture, carpeting and booths along the walls. The books and microfiche will be stored in movable shelving, which provides more room by placing shelves of books on rails, allowing them to be pushed together.

This method of storage does not require an aisle in between



BETH QUINN/The Observer

Renovations to the Hesburgh Library basement are on schedule and will be completed for the fall 2003 semester. The new basement will include a service desk, storage space for 700,000 books, a study area, microfilm, microfiche and microfilm readers all for student use.

shelves, increasing the amount of available storage space. To access the books, a person decides what shelf he needs and presses a button to have the shelves move apart.

"Without [movable shelving] we have maxed out our collection and would have to take out reader tables or store the collection at another site," said Stevenson.

The relocation of the microfilm collection will help staff better organize the collection.

"The staff are all excited and anxious to move and get the collection in order," said Barbara Connelly, access services supervisor.

The second floor of the library has also been renovated to offer wireless Internet access. Students who have a registered wireless card in their computer can access the Internet from anywhere on the floor. Students can get assistance regarding obtaining and registering a wireless card by calling the

Office of Information Technologies at 631-8111.

Stevenson said that electricians are currently working on wiring the first floor for wireless Internet access, with the eventual goal of having wireless Internet access throughout the building.

In addition, according to Diane Kennedy, computer applications specialist, the study rooms on the second floor now

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## Notre Dame celebrates black history

By NATASHA GRANT  
News Writer

Simply themed "Celebrate Black History Month 2003," a series of events to commemorate the history of blacks in America began Tuesday and will continue through Mar. 3. Sponsored by the Department of African and African-American Studies, events will feature a broad range of art forms including music, filmmaking, several lectures and a food workshop.

The month started with an event entitled "A Taste of African-American Food, Culture & History," featuring two speakers who discussed how food is linked to black culture, said Keith Lee, assistant director for Program Development and Operations. Lee said black dishes, like fried chicken and okra, were available for people to sample while the speakers, John Charles Bryant and Danny Chambliss, talked about the significance of these foods.

According to Lee, the events are intended to bring about a better appreciation for black

culture.

"We hope to show that African-American culture is linked to American culture through art, film and an appreciation of Africa," he said.

Events will wrap-up Mar. 3 with a lecture that Lee said was already planned prior to the planning of Black History Month.

"We believe that while February is the month designated for Black History Month, we should celebrate it through the year," Lee said.

Christy Fleming, assistant professional specialist in the First Year of Studies and Gina Shropshire are the coordinators for the events. Fleming, who said she tries to get involved in anything involving blacks, said that there was not much of a celebration last February and from observing the itinerary of events at other schools, Fleming felt that something should be done.

"Since Notre Dame is one of the leading institutions in the community, we felt that we should be putting on something," said Fleming.

Fleming said that she hopes

that a majority of students will attend the events because, although their primary intent is to uplift students who have black heritage, they are not just for minorities.

"[The celebration] is not just for African-Americans, although they are the focus," she said. "We needed to have programs to reflect who we are but everything is open to the South Bend community."

Fleming said students like Jemar Tisby and Tona Boyd, who are helping to organize a Mar. 2 prayer service, have been a big help. In an attempt to spread the events out, she said that they decided to have the service in March because February is the shortest month of the year and she wanted the prayer service to be the last event on the program.

Fleming hopes that the events will be able to bring across awareness and understanding in light of all the talks and discussions in the recent past about affirmative action.

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## Board sanctions ND election candidates

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER  
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The Judicial Board sanctioned presidential and vice presidential candidates Mike Bott and Mike Kirsh for violating three election bylaws while serving as deejays at the Cavanaugh and Knott/Lewis dances last weekend.

No additional campaign materials will be approved for the candidates until after the general election on Feb. 10.

According to Judicial Council Vice President of Elections Matt Corgan, the most serious violation was the fact that the candidates hung an unapproved sign at the two dance venues that stated "Vote Mike and Mike."

"We thought that it was pretty clear that not submitting the sign for the required signatures was a violation of the bylaws," said Corgan.

In a response to the sanction, Bott and Kirsh said they

likened the sign to writing "Vote Mike and Mike" on a whiteboard hung outside of their rooms because it was affixed to their personal property and not distributed throughout campus. However, Bott said he does understand that ruling.

"I think out of all the bylaws we were accused of violating, I admit that this was the one we should have been more careful about. We misinterpreted the rule," said Bott.

The sanction means that the candidates will no longer be able to produce new campaign materials until after the general election, including updating their Web site, but will be able to continue to distribute existing campaign materials.

If the candidates are in the run-off election, they will be able to produce new materials.

Bott said the sanction should not have a large impact on their campaign.

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INSIDE COLUMN

# Reality of Heartland

The biting cold and the faint throbs of Kylie's, "Can't Get You Out Of My Head" were some of the last things that I remember while braving the unnecessarily long wait outside of Heartland last Thursday night. And then of course, something else happened that would vividly stand out in my mind—seeing my friend publicly and cruelly humiliated because of ignorance.



Kiflin Turner

Associate News Editor

The sad part is that she wasn't turned away because of a shameless fake or because she copped an attitude with the bouncer. After my friend presented the bouncer with a legitimate Puerto Rican ID, he promptly responded that she needed a passport, because he alleged, Puerto Ricans need those to enter into the U.S. That someone could be so ridiculously dense I can easily forgive. Perhaps he didn't have geography lessons in school. Or maybe he didn't pay attention in school at all. Whatever the excuse, there was none for what he would eventually decide to say. Following much idiotic rambling, he finally said that he didn't want to allow admittance to Puerto Ricans anyway and dismissed someone based on her nationality.

My friend will never go back there again. And perhaps none of my other friends will either. Frankly, it might not make a huge difference. Honestly, I'm not sure if it's the best solution either.

In a way, never going back could be interpreted as submitting to the ignorant ideas espoused by one person. Thinking back on all the great social movements, change was never brought about by running away from a problem.

The management explained to my friend that the incident was not racially motivated because the bouncer was in fact a minority as well. They refused to return phone calls and subsequently avoided hearing any other complaints.

This blatant disregard for an individual's rights however, pushed me to re-evaluate how I could possibly continue to frequent and support an establishment that not only employs individuals who openly discriminate, but condones this behavior as well.

Terminating the bouncer, or perhaps issuing an apology on behalf of the employee, would have placated things a bit. But justifying ignorance with more of it is inexcusable. Thinking about that night takes me back to a couple of years ago when Denny's on US 31 arrested two black students for apparently no reason. It seems like our South Bend community, as well as other South Bend's all over this country still have a great deal to learn.

As students, we are constantly urged to step out of the Notre Dame bubble and expand our knowledge and experiences. But for those who can never really escape from the bubble-mentality of racism and ignorance, there continues to exist an invisible boundary that at times makes itself more visible.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Kiflin Turner at [ktturner@nd.edu](mailto:ktturner@nd.edu).

## CORRECTIONS

In the Viewpoint section of Tuesday's paper, the headline incorrectly said the pro-choice conference that four Saint Mary's students attended was sponsored by the National Organization for Women.

However, the conference was sponsored by the Feminist Majority Foundation. The Observer regrets the error.

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The Graduate Student Union debated Tuesday a proposal which would use its \$4,000 surplus to sponsor a benefit event for a charity.	President Bush paid tribute to the seven astronauts from the space shuttle Columbia at a memorial at Mission Control in Houston Tuesday.	Stocks of NASA contractors fell as investors attempted to gauge the impact of the Columbia accident on their business.	In a letter to the editor, a senior reflects on being denied entrance to Heartland because the bouncer allegedly told her, "We don't want Puerto Ricans here."	Scene reviews two feature photography exhibits, which portray two drastically different facets of American culture.	Coach Mike Brey has lead the mens basketball team to its best start ever in Big East play this year.
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ Reading of *Hardball: A Season in the Projects* by author Daniel Coyle, sponsored by the Sophomore Literary Festival 7:30 p.m. at DeBartolo Hall room 155
- ◆ Deadline for housing contracts 5 p.m. at Main Building
- ◆ Student senate will be discussing the student activity fee at its weekly meeting 6 p.m. at the Notre Dame room of LaFortune
- ◆ Faculty Senate Meeting 7 p.m. at McKenna Hall

## WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Statewide wheelchair rugby scrimmage in recognition of disability awareness week 2 p.m. at Angela Athletic Facility
- ◆ Adult Children of Alcoholics Meeting 7 p.m. at Madeleva Hall room 317N
- ◆ Environmental science lecture, "Sustainable Development, Poverty and the World Environment," given by Donald Huisingh, University of Tennessee 7:30 p.m. at the Carroll Auditorium

## WHAT'S GOING DOWN

- Employee reports assault**  
An employee reported being struck by another employee at the LaFortune Student Center on Monday morning.
- Wallet found in DeBartolo**  
NDSP found a student wallet in DeBartolo Hall on Tuesday morning
- Vehicles towed for violations**  
NDSP towed vehicles Monday from the Moose Krause Circle, the Post Office and the Joyce Center.
- Cell phone taken**  
A visitor reported that his cell phone was taken from the Hesburgh Library while he was studying Monday night.
- Staff members lose card**  
Two staff members reported Monday that they lost their Kontrol Kards while at an off-campus location.
- Staff member loses tag**  
A staff member reported losing his parking hang tag at an off-campus location.
- Unlocked bicycles found**  
NDSP found two unlocked bicycles on Monday morning, one in the Library reflecting pool and one next to the radiation research building.
- Cell phones found at Joyce Center**  
NDSP found several cell phones in the lost and found at the Joyce Center on Monday morning.

~ Information compiled from NDSP blotter.

## WHAT'S COOKING

### North Dining Hall

**Today's Lunch:** Boiled fettuccine, cheese and mushroom spinach tortellini, alfredo sauce, italian sausage marinara, mexican beef pizza, pretzel sticks, polish sausage, sweet and sour cabbage, polish kluski noodles, potato and cheese pierogi, whipped potatoes, grilled tuna with lemon, asparagus tips and cuts, sloppy joes, pepper tangerine chicken

**Today's Dinner:** Roast, sauteed herb mushrooms, green bean casserole, brown sauce, chicken gray, orzo portobello and cream, italian blend vegetables, baked potatoes, kung pao chicken, plain rice, buffalo chicken wings, italian blend vegetables

### South Dining Hall

**Today's Lunch:** Beef ravioli, spinach fettuccine, pesto sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnover, BBQ beef sandwich, shrimp spaghetti, rotisserie chicken oriental vegetables, roasted rosemary potatoes, red beans & rice, corn dogs, fishwich, crinkle fries, soft pretzels, stir-fry beef & peppers, chicken fajita

**Today's Dinner:** Buffalo chicken lasagna, spinach fettuccine, tomato pizza, apple turnover, vegetables marinara, capri-blend vegetables, baked turbot jardiniere, beef bourguignon, kluski noodles, bourbon-baked ham, baked sweet potatoes, pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage links, sweet & sour chicken tenders

### Saint Mary's Dining Hall

**Today's Lunch:** Grilled hummus baguette, herb pasta, cous cous salad, sweet & sour shrimp, fruit & cheese bar, grilled roast beef wrap, herb rice pilaf, sausage pizza, cheese calzones, BLT loafer, tuna salad, sliced honey ham, sliced turkey, hummus, cream of broccoli soup, chicken & rice soup, cole slaw

**Today Dinner:** Vegetarian panini, herb pasta, garden tomato sauce, baked potatoes, roasted root vegetable, egg foo yong bar with fried rice and sauce, wings & things bar, spaghetti & meatballs, asparagus spears, vegetable medley, cheese pizza, santa fe pizza, sicilian surimi casserole

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GRADUATE STUDENT UNION

# GSU approves charity event

By ANDREW THAGARD  
News Writer

The Graduate Student Union passed a motion in support of sponsoring an end-of-the-semester social event that would raise money for a local charity during their meeting on Tuesday.

The proposal suggested by GSU President Tim Dale calls for the \$4,000 GSU budget surplus to be allocated for the event.

Dale envisions the benefit taking place at an off-campus banquet hall at the end of April and featuring a cash bar, hors d'oeuvres and a raffle that would raise money for a charity selected based on graduate student input. The surplus would go toward funding the event and money would be raised by charging participants a nominal fee.

"I think one of the things that we can do as a graduate student organization is more community outreach," Dale said.

Dale's desire to use GSU funds

to help a charity sparked debate among some members.

"In a sense this amounts to compelling graduate students to make a charitable donation," said GSU Physics Representative Doran Race. "The question is, 'Do graduate students want to be compelled to support a charity?'"

Most members supported the idea.

"Technically the money will be used for a student activity," said co-Vice President Misty Schieberle. "The ticket fees will go to the charity."

The motion to approve the event and begin tentative planning passed despite two opposing votes. Dale plans to send out an email to all graduate students asking for input in choosing the charity in the coming weeks.

**In Other GSU News:**

◆ Representatives discussed student reaction to the University's January decision to delay subsidization of graduate student healthcare. Biology graduate stu-

dent Jim Hogan attended the meeting to encourage fellow students to write to their local dioceses and newspapers to increase publicity.

"I believe this University places a high degree on its reputation," Hogan said. "This is a national university that should be known for its embarrassing actions."

Schieberle, however, urged graduate students to be adamant in their plea but also respectful.

◆ GSU continued to lay the foundation for the establishment of graduate student departmental organizations. Members passed a motion requiring potential organizations to receive a financial commitment of \$100 from their department, draft a constitution, elect leadership and present a petition with at least half of the graduate student population in the department supporting the organization's establishment.

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## Election

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support in order to vote," Mastic said, adding that the OIT Help Desk (631-8111) could assist students who were unable to vote.

Although the actual election is scheduled to occur online Monday, vice president of elections for the judicial council, Matt Corgan, said he hopes more students will participate.

"I thought [participation] was kind of low for how easy it was to vote but I realize that it was just a trial election," he said.

Although sophomore Thomas Cordoba did not vote in mock elections, he said he would definitely be encouraged to vote Monday.

"I didn't even know," he said. "If it's better publicized, you're going to see a lot better voter turnout."

Sophomore Anna Kate Milburn, who participated in the mock election, said it was important to her to help student government run a test election and that she would "definitely" vote in the upcoming contest.

However, some students are unaffected by the opportunity to vote online.

Sophomore Matt Harris said, "I don't feel like [student government] ever gets anything done."

Brian Coughlin, director of student activities, said he was certain that more students would vote in the real online elections.

"I have a hunch that [the] online election is going to get one of the biggest turnouts that any of us can remember," he said. "In the actual election, I think people will realize the importance of their vote."

Just like the mock election, the student body president race will be online from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. There are seven tickets, all of whom will have an opportunity to share their platforms with students during a debate today at 8 p.m. in the LaFortune ballroom. Additionally, all students received e-mails this morning from the Judicial Council with information about the candidates and links to their Web sites.

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## Library

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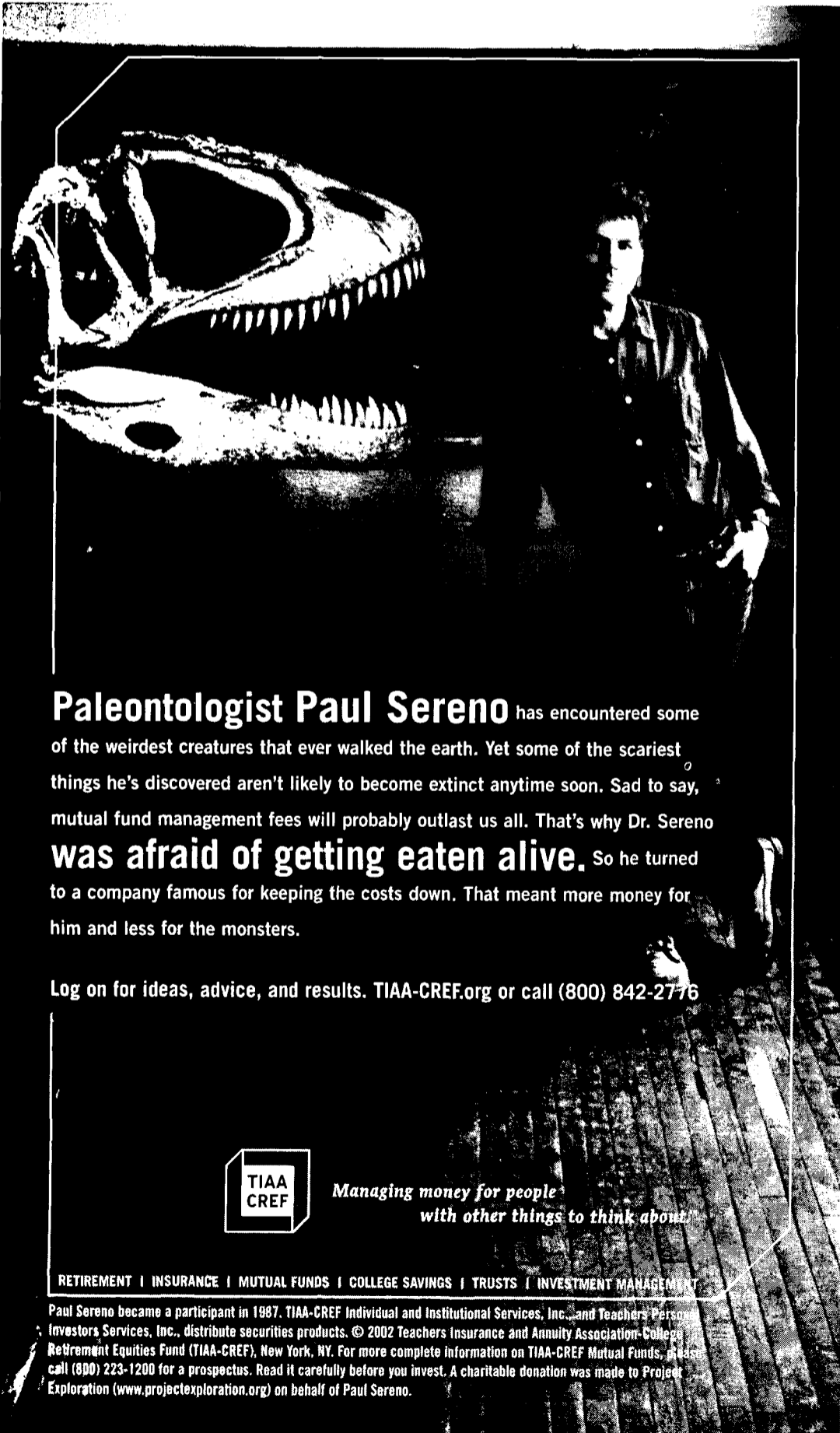
each have one active ResNet jack, providing Internet access.

Starting in May, windows from the fourth to the 14th floor will be replaced one column at a time.

"The new windows will filter out UV light, so books will not fade," said Stevenson.

Graduate students who have carrels with a window will not be allowed in their carrels while the window is gone.

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# SMC begins plans for on-campus apartments

By ALLISON ROCHE  
News Writer

Saint Mary's students hoping to live in new on-campus apartments by their senior year may only be setting themselves up for disappointment.

At the Nov. 4 Board of Governance meeting, Linda Timm, vice president of Student Affairs, speculated that senior on-campus apartments would be a part of the Saint Mary's campus within 18 months. Three months later, the College is still in the very preliminary stages of planning their construction.

Four different floor plan designs are in consideration, but a starting date for construction has not yet been identified. The cost of construction is affected by which floor plan is chosen and the needed materials, factors which are still undetermined, College officials said.

"We haven't defined the costs yet, which will determine how much financing is necessary," said John Hollenkamp, interim vice president of finance and administration.

Finances are not the only reason for the apartments' slow progress, according to Hollenkamp. He pointed out that more attention to detail is needed in planning on-campus apartments as opposed to another residence hall in order to make it an attractive option to students.

Once construction begins, the apartments should be completed within nine to 12 months, meaning many current students will not see the final product while in school.

"I think on-campus apartments are a great idea that interests a lot of students," said sophomore Kate Weiss. "But at the rate things are going, it makes me doubt that I will even see what they look like before I graduate. That's kind of disappointing."

A group of students will be meeting with an architect today to lend their perspective to the planning of the apartments. Michelle Russell, director of Residence Life, is hoping that student feedback will help to determine details such as the size of the structure and what

features should be included in the apartments.

"The idea is, what is it that attracts students off-campus? The services it provides? The freedom gained? What is it?" asked Russell.

Many students point to factors such as greater freedom and responsibility, lower housing costs and no longer having to eat dining hall food as their motivation for moving off-campus.

Emily Blaha, a senior off-campus student, thinks the students who want to live off-campus will still choose to do so, despite the availability of on-campus apartments.

"Truthfully, most people go off-campus to party," said Blaha. "The point is to get away from the rules and regulations of on-campus life."

Russell said it is still too early to comment on what regulations would come with living in the on-campus apartments.

"Some sort of policy would be needed, but it would be structured around what is most appropriate for senior living," she said.

Despite the rules that would come with living on campus, other students think apartments would be a favorable option, especially if they are concerned about the safety of being away from campus or if they do not own a car.

"As a senior, it would have been a nice place to live. You would have all of the advantages of being on-campus, plus the freedom of [living] off campus," said Catherine Ward, a senior Holy Cross Hall resident.

*"You would have all the advantages of being on-campus plus the freedom of [living] off-campus."*

Catherine Ward  
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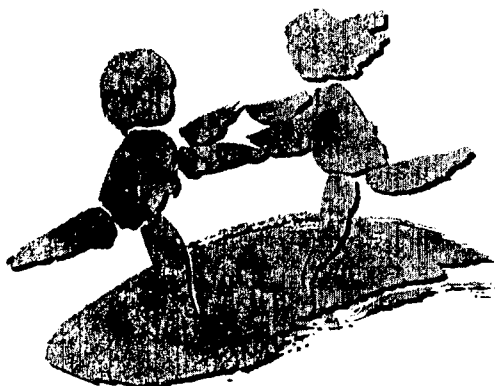
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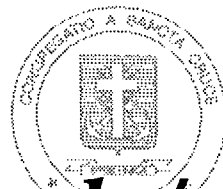
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## Bush rededicates nation to space travel in tribute

Associated Press

### HOUSTON

Under sapphire blue skies that once held Columbia and her crew, President Bush paid tribute Tuesday to the shuttle's seven astronauts and rededicated the nation to space travel. "They go in peace for all mankind. And all mankind is in their debt," he said.

The president joined at least 10,000 teary-eyed NASA workers, aging astronauts, political leaders and families of the fallen crew for a memorial service in a plaza outside Mission Control usually reserved for celebrations of space triumphs.

The shuttle broke up Saturday as it was returning to earth. In Bush's words: "Their mission was almost complete, and we lost them so close to home."

The president met with family members after the service, which ended with the ringing of a Navy bell — seven times, one for each of the deceased astronauts — and a "missing man" formation flyover: four T-38 NASA jets roared above the crowd, with one peeling away and soaring high and out of sight.

Bush bowed his head and first lady Laura Bush wiped tears from her eyes as the United States Navy Band Sea Chanters led the crowd in song. The words to one hymn, "God of Our Fathers, Whose Almighty Hand,"

were printed on the back of the service's programs, allowing the NASA family to raise its voice in tribute to "shining worlds in splendor through the skies."

Leading the crowd in prayer, Harold Robinson, a captain in the Navy's Chaplain Corps, said the astronauts found true humility while viewing "our little planet from outer space."

Fighting back tears, NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe then declared, "Today, our grief is overwhelming."

He promised to find out why Columbia broke apart, correct the problem and make sure it never happens again. To the families of those lost, he said: "We will keep this solemn pledge."

Bush recalled that Navy Capt. David Brown, a medical doctor aboard Columbia, was asked several weeks ago by his brother what would happen if something went wrong with the mission. "This program will go on," the 46-year-old Navy flight surgeon replied.

"Capt. Brown was correct," Bush said. "America's space program will go on."

Earlier, aides said the president supports continuing the shuttle program, despite criticism by some.

At the Johnson Space Center, crew members were remembered in separate eulogies that shared with the world their nick-



President George W. Bush and first lady Laura Bush sit beside several family members of the space shuttle Columbia's crew during a memorial service at Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas Tuesday. The President honored the seven astronauts who died aboard Columbia last Saturday.

names, habits, likes and dislikes and, in many cases, their near-last words.

O'Keefe recalled that mission specialist Kalpana Chawla, 41, told Mission Control how beautiful the Earth looked from miles above as she summoned her fellow crew members to the shuttle

window, where the world was reflected in her eye.

"It is this image, the image of Columbia's crew joyfully joining Kalpana to see our beautiful planet reflected in their friend's eye, that we will remember and treasure forever," O'Keefe said, his voice cracking.

The president spoke briefly about each astronaut as their smiling faces looked down from a picture of the crew placed on stage.

Chawla, a native of India, wanted to reach for the stars, Bush said, and "she went there and beyond."

### ENGLAND

## Saddam denies desire for war, possession of weapons

Associated Press

### LONDON

In his first Western television interview in more than a decade, Saddam Hussein said the United States wants to conquer Iraq so it can "control the world" and insisted his regime does not have weapons of mass destruction.

A retired British lawmaker and peace activist, Tony Benn, conducted the 40-minute interview, in which the Iraqi leader spoke slowly in precise, careful tones, his voice at times falling very low, as he sipped from a cup of Arabic coffee in what appeared to be a room in one of his palaces.

The interview took place Sunday in the Iraqi capital, Baghdad, and was broadcast

Tuesday, one day before Secretary of State Colin Powell was to present evidence at the U.N. Security Council that Iraq has hidden large caches of banned weapons.

Saddam, speaking in Arabic, accused Washington of fabricating false claims as a pretext to seize Iraq's oil fields. He also said Iraq does not want war and is willing to work with U.N. weapons inspectors if they have no ulterior purpose.

"If the intention [of inspections] is to confirm that Iraq is free of biological and chemical and nuclear weapons, then they can do so. These weapons are not some aspirin pill someone can hide in his pocket. These are weapons of mass destruction, so it's simple to determine if Iraq has them or not," he said.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer, responding to the interview, said Saddam's "track record on telling the truth is not good at all."

"Given the fact that he has biological and chemical weapons, clearly what he said today is continual denial of the truth," Fleischer said Tuesday.

Saddam wore a dark suit in the interview, sitting across a table from Benn in a gilded chair in front of a curtain and a white, black and red Iraqi flag with three green stars. Occasionally he turned a pen in his hands, lining it up precisely on a green book on the table before him.

Analysts who have watched Saddam for years said he showed no sign of strain, despite the current confrontation with Washington.

Despite President Bush's claims that Iraq has links with al-Qaida, Saddam insisted his regime has none.

"If we had a relationship with al-Qaida, and we believed in that relationship, we wouldn't be ashamed to admit it," he told Benn, who traveled to Baghdad in a bid to stop a war.

An Iraqi TV cameraman filmed Sunday's interview, which Benn conducted for a new television network called Arab Television, a yet-to-be-launched Arab TV station with administrative offices in London.

Saddam has not given an interview to a foreign television journalist in 12 years, according to Benn, who said during the interview that Saddam had declined his offer to see the questions beforehand.

### WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

#### U.N. arms monitors visit 10 sites in Iraq:

In a busy day across Iraq, arms monitors fanned out today to 10 missile, chemical and other potential weapons production sites, as U.S. diplomatic pressure mounted to possibly cut short the U.N. inspection plans. A senior Iraqi official said Baghdad, looking to clear away obstacles to a clean U.N. report on inspections, may consider enlisting foreigners as witnesses for Iraqi weapons scientists who refuse to submit to secret U.N. interviews. Inspectors have complained about interviews monitored by Iraqi officials. The Bush administration will make a bid for Security Council support for its tough line on Iraq on Wednesday, when Secretary of State Colin Powell is to present what is billed as fresh evidence of Iraqi deception of inspectors and of prohibited weapons programs in this country. The U.N. teams, in hundreds of on-the-ground inspections since November, have found no such major violations of the U.N. ban on Iraqi chemical, biological and nuclear arms programs.

### NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

#### Bombers on alert for trip to N. Korea:

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld has put 24 long-range bombers on alert for possible deployment within range of North Korea to deter "opportunism" while Washington is focused on Iraq, and to give President Bush military options if diplomacy fails to halt North Korea's effort to produce nuclear weapons, officials said Monday. The White House insisted Monday that Bush was still committed to a diplomatic solution to the crisis. Any decision to bolster the considerable U.S. military presence near North Korea was simply what Ari Fleischer, the president's spokesman, called making "certain our contingencies are viable." Rumsfeld, who Pentagon officials stressed has not yet made a decision to send the bombers, was acting on a request for additional forces from Adm. Thomas Fargo, the commander of U.S. forces in the Pacific. Fargo has concluded that the North's race to produce a nuclear weapon had significantly worsened the risks on the Korean peninsula.

#### WTC finalists include tallest structures:

Two designs that would put the tallest buildings in the world at the site of the World Trade Center were selected Tuesday as the finalists in the plan to redevelop ground zero. The plan from Berlin architect Daniel Libeskind calls for glassy, angular buildings clustered around the foundations of the fallen towers. The other, proposed by an international team of design firms known as THINK, evokes the original trade center with twin towers of ethereal lattice-work.

#### \$11 million awarded to gay employee:

A jury awarded more than \$11 million to a former hotel manager today after concluding he was fired by real estate maven Leona Helmsley because he is gay. The jury found that Charles Bell had endured a "hostile and abusive work environment" while running Helmsley's Park Lane Hotel. He was awarded \$10 million in punitive damages and \$1.2 million in compensatory damages.

## Sanction

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"I don't think it will affect us too much. We had planned on doing a few new posters, but we have accepted the penalties they have imposed on us," said Bott.

Corgan said the candidates also violated election bylaws by campaigning in a Student Union venue during the Cavanaugh Snow Ball, which was held on in the LaFortune Ballroom, and by not submitting receipts for the materials they purchased to make the sign.

Bott said he and Kirsh plan to appeal only their violation of the bylaw prohibiting using a Student Union venue because he said Corgan had stated that they were allowed to promote their ticket at the Cavanaugh formal. Their appeal will likely be considered at today's Student Senate meeting.

However, Corgan said that the sanction was levied solely in light of their violation of hanging an unapproved sign.

Prior to the two dances last weekend, the candidates served as deejays at Farley's dance and following this dance Cogan said a person made an accusation that this violated the election bylaws. However, Judicial Board did not consider that accusation because it was not considered explicit enough.

The candidates will serve as deejays again this weekend at the Morrissey Hall formal on Saturday.

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## State budget gaps jump 50 percent

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The flood of red ink for state governments just keeps rising: Expected budget shortfalls jumped by close to 50 percent in the past three months, and the situation is expected to worsen, the National Conference of State

Legislatures said Tuesday.

The deteriorating situation could prompt more cuts in a wide range of programs such as elementary schools, health care for the poor and more. Additionally, it will increase pressure on state lawmakers to raise taxes.

"It's dismal and probably getting worse," said Nebraska state Sen. Roger Wehrbein,

who heads his state's budget-writing Appropriations Committee. "Even if the economy turns around, we don't go to war and oil prices don't go up, it'll still be two or three years before we see improvements in state revenue."

Oklahoma state Sen. Angela Monson, who presented the findings of a conference study

at a news conference, said if the federal government doesn't help, many states will have no choice but to raise taxes and fees.

"If there was a Utopia, the 'no tax' option would be great," Monson said. "But there is an expectation that state government will meet certain needs — education, health, roads."

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	<b>AMEX</b>	
822.95	↑	+2.36
	<b>NYSE</b>	
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**TOP 5 VOLUME LEADERS**

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-2.89	-0.39	13.09
LUCENT TECH INC (LU)	-9.78	-0.18	1.66
NASDAQ-100 INDE (QQQ)	-1.96	-0.48	24.01
ORACLE CORP (ORCL)	-3.50	-0.42	11.59
INTEL CORP (INTC)	-1.52	-0.24	15.53

**IN BRIEF**

**Former Enron trader pleads guilty**

A Houston man and former head of an Enron California trading desk plead guilty today in San Francisco to two criminal charges in connection with the manipulation of California energy markets. Jeffrey Richter, 33, was charged in a sealed information Jan. 30, and appeared before U.S. District Judge Martin Jenkins in federal court in California today to plead guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud and making a false statement to the FBI and U.S. Attorney's Office during the federal investigation into fraudulent market practices.

**Study finds Wal-Mart gender pay gap**

Women working at Wal-Mart, the nation's largest private employer, earned from 4.5 percent to 5.6 percent less than men doing similar jobs and with similar experience levels between 1996 and 2001, according to a study conducted as part of a federal discrimination lawsuit. The study, based on an analysis of Wal-Mart payroll data obtained under the litigation, found that among nonsalaried workers, men earned an average of 37 cents an hour more for similar work.

**Blast, cold weather boost gas prices**

Natural gas futures jumped Monday to a two-year high amid concern over frigid weather that has slashed supplies by 28 percent from a year ago. An Illinois pipeline shut by an explosion also lifted prices, traders said. Supplies may remain under strain as temperatures fall near zero degrees Fahrenheit in Chicago and other Midwest areas later this week, analysts said. Gas production this year may not be enough to build inventories sufficiently before next winter, even as heating demand may be near a peak, some analysts said. February natural gas gained 16.1 cents to settle at \$5.766 per thousand cubic feet on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

**NASA contractors take beating**

◆ **Investors flee after Columbia accident**

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Wall Street pounded the stocks of NASA contractors Monday as investors tried to gauge who would be most affected by the Columbia accident and subsequent grounding of the shuttle fleet.

Shares of Alliant Techsystems, whose Thiokol unit makes the solid-rocket boosters that launch the shuttle, dropped 12 percent over concerns about its exposure to the shuttle program.

Boeing Co., NASA's largest contractor, also lost ground, as did Lockheed Martin, which makes a non-reusable external fuel tank for the shuttle.

The shares of those companies dropped 1.5 percent and 3 percent, respectively.

Predicting the long-term impact to those contractors and others may prove difficult until an investigation into the accident is completed and NASA determines its next step, analysts said Monday.

Few, however, anticipate major fallout in the near future.

In a research report Monday, Deutsche Bank Securities said it sees limited immediate impact given the need to complete the space station and the lack of a replacement option for the space shuttle program.

Boeing and Lockheed partner in the United Space Alliance, which is responsible for day-to-day operations and management of the shuttle fleet.

"The near-term impact will be fairly minor to Boeing and Lockheed Martin ... with limited income slippage if the fleet is grounded for a year," the Deutsche Bank report said.

Boeing's involvement with NASA, which includes work on the space station in addition to the shuttle program, provides only



Getty Images

An American flag is reflected in the window of Boeing's former headquarters in Seattle. Boeing Co. is among a group of NASA contractors whose stocks dropped.

about 4 percent, or \$2 billion, of the company's overall annual revenue, a company spokesman said.

However, it is a "very important" part of Boeing's business, the company said.

"It's premature to speculate on the specific business impact of this weekend's tragedy, but it presumably will be affected by the length of the investigation and the root cause of the accident," the company said. "Human spaceflight is a business we've been in for 40-plus years and we remain committed to it over the long term."

Others have a bigger percentage of their business at stake, including Alliant.

Merrill Lynch analyst Byron Callan estimates that Alliant's shuttle work

accounts for 17 percent, or \$380 million, of its annual sales.

Analyst Pierre Chao of Credit Suisse First Boston said Monday it was lowering its rating on Alliant to neutral because of "inevitable panic" around the company's stock.

However, Chao said it is unlikely the company will see any short-term financial impact as a result of a temporary halt in the shuttle program because such companies are under long-term contracts and build equipment to inventory, not to launch.

Alliant spokesman Rod Bitz told the Associated Press that its contract with NASA runs through May 2007 and calls for 74 boosters.

"As of today, we have not

been directed to change any of the activity on the program," Bitz said.

Meanwhile, Moog said Monday it expects to lose about \$2 million in expected revenue as a result of the accident.

The company included about \$13 million in revenue from the space shuttle program in its budget for the current fiscal year, with about three quarters of that tied to a contract for overhaul of flight control actuators for the orbiters.

"We would anticipate that that contract will continue," the company said.

The \$2 million loss is expected to stem from the suspension of the shuttle program. The New York-based company refurbishes booster actuators after each launch of the shuttle.

**Ex-Reliant lawyer must keep quiet**

Associated Press

HOUSTON

A state district judge has barred a former in-house Reliant Resources lawyer from publicly disclosing details of an investigation he participated in while at Reliant.

State District Judge Katie Kennedy, who granted Reliant a temporary injunction Monday, also said Ronald Fleming could not publicly disclose the details of a whistle-blowing retaliation claim he wants to make with the Labor Department.

Courtroom discussion last week indicated Fleming had information about the company's round-trip trades and

wants to disclose it in the retaliation complaint.

During a hearing last week, Reliant's lawyer, Michael Wilson, said Fleming's allegations would cause irreparable harm to Reliant if disclosed publicly.

"Reliant denies the claims and is confident of prevailing in any potential action filed by Mr. Fleming," said Sandy Fruhman, a Reliant spokeswoman. "At this point, it would be inappropriate for us to comment further regarding this matter."

But Kennedy said Fleming could provide information to the Justice Department or Congress if he were subpoenaed.

The Justice Department has notified

Fleming that it would like to talk to him, said his lawyer, Ken Hughes.

"I don't want him to think he'll go to jail if he talks or doesn't talk," Kennedy said.

About possible talks with the Labor Department, Kennedy instructed Hughes and Wilson to "work out something acceptable."

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act, passed in the wake of the Enron meltdown, protects whistle-blowers and calls for stiff criminal penalties for company insiders who defraud investors.

It's unclear what kind of detail Fleming has because Kennedy closed the courtroom last week, at the request of Reliant, during much of the hearing.

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## A eulogy for the Boat Club

Although the ultimate fate of the Boat Club has yet to be determined, it is only fitting that such a hallowed part of the Notre Dame experience receive a proper farewell in light of recent excise events. So, before the music turns off and the lights turn on for good, let us take a moment to remember that place we fondly referred to as "The Boat."

The Boat Club was, in its simplest terms, a place where the pitchers ran cheap, the love ran high and morals ran deceptively low. It was a place where everyone knew our names — and subsequently forgot them 20 minutes later. It was a place of loves found, loves lost and loves just plain forgotten. It was a place where we could lose our wallets, our wits and sometimes, even our lunch.

There it was, on the corner of Hill Street — two floors of morally casual,

alcohol induced, nightly commotion. And we loved every minute of it. For many of us, it was our initial invitation into the South Bend nightlife. We had heard about it, wondered about it and often talked about it, but we could not fully understand all that was the Boat Club until we experienced it. After all, you always remember your first (bar).

Everyone possessing a plastic coated, mostly legible piece of identification (no matter whose identity it happened to be) could become a part of the Boat Club subculture. And once we were in, we never turned back. We couldn't. It was too crowded. Only a Kelly green shirt and a football game could bring a student body together as well and with such consistency.

The Boat Club not only provided us with a place to go, it gave us things to do. Darts, karaoke and billiards were always at our slightly numb fingertips. The game of cups became an art form, providing hours of exhilarating entertainment for those of us who spent the better part of our daylight hours studying Dostoevsky and forming chemical compounds.

It could all be ours for a mere \$5.

Many of us even remember the days when \$5 could not only get you in, but quench your thirst all evening long. And upon leaving, there was always that certain Boat Club scent that followed us home, only to be washed away by that welcoming and very necessary shower the next morning.

Unfortunately, if the Boat Club goes, it may in fact wreak havoc on the social lives of many Notre Dame students. We may have lost our most significant social arena, as the Boat Club was arguably the best and most utilized place for the men and women of the Notre Dame community to meet and mate. Forget Date Week — it's often been said that if they sent the entire campus to the Boat Club for an evening, no one would ever complain about gender relations under the Dome again.

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Jacqueline Browder

*Happily Ever After*

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Title IX isn't about equal opportunity

Lost in the wake of other prominent national events was the presidential commission on Title IX's failure to address several major problems it has caused over the last 30 years. I fully support equality, but Title IX isn't creating the equal opportunity it professes.

Right now, the George Washington University cross country program is cutting male athletes. Not because they aren't dedicated, not because they aren't talented, but because the school has been unable to find an equal number of female athletes to participate on the women's team. How is this equal opportunity?

Isn't the opportunity for everyone who is talented and dedicated enough to run cross country at GW a more equal policy than what is going on right now? Aren't equal opportunity and equal participation two different ideas?

The men's team at GW is actually lucky. Their program wasn't one of the more than 400 male athletic teams eliminated in the 1990s alone as schools attempt to comply with Title IX. Over 17,000 male collegiate athletes have seen their opportunity to compete erased by Title IX.

The fact that the numbers of female athletes in high school and college are skyrocketing is a great thing, but the fact that at the same time male athletes are being put out to pasture after

high school is a disgrace.

Athletic programs should provide equal amounts of funding to men's and women's programs of the same sport. Like it or not, football dominates the college landscape. You may or may not have noticed that big cement structure next to DeBartolo. The game of football requires dozens of skilled players to compete. Because of this, football programs get a lot of scholarships. It's that simple. The women's basketball team doesn't receive fewer scholarships than football because men have this big, evil master plan — they receive fewer scholarships because they only play five at a time.

We shouldn't fault every other male program just because no one ever came up with a female football equivalent. Is it right to allow less funds for every other male program to make up for football? Title IX isn't about equal opportunity. Two equally talented high school gymnasts, swimmers, rowers or runners face completely different prospects of earning a college scholarship and having an opportunity to succeed in collegiate athletics depending if one is male or female.

And that is why Title IX has to go. Look at our interhall football system for an example. Male dorms are forced to cut players due to a limited number of roster spots and equipment, while female teams send dozens of athletes to each game. If we want the "equali-

ty" Title IX provides, shouldn't we limit the number of women competing and make it equal to the number of men?

Additionally, there are no female members at Augusta National Golf Club, and there is absolutely nothing wrong with that. For every one all-male golf facility, there are ten female-only tennis clubs and fitness centers. Augusta lets females play on their course, but males aren't even allowed to enter the building at a brand new fitness center a few blocks from my house.

Augusta is a private club, so is the womens' fitness center in my town. One of my friends is a member there. She says she likes working out and spending time there with no men around. Apparently men aren't entitled to that same respect. I'm not condoning Augusta's admission policies, but I do think they should have the same rights as the fitness center down the street.

I don't expect the majority of women to agree with me, but don't explain your argument to me. I want you to explain it to the guy at George Washington who just found out his career is over because his dismissal was vital for "equality" in sports.

Tom McTaggart  
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Do you agree with Saint Mary's decision to fund a student trip to a pro-choice conference in Washington D.C.?

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"Macho does not prove mucho."*

Zsa Zsa Gabor  
actress



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## Snapshot

*The Snite Museum presents two photographs*By MARIA SMITH and SOFIA BALLON  
Scene Editor and Scene Writer

The doorway between the Snite Museum of Art's two feature photography exhibits is a step between drastically different facets of American culture.

Lauren Greenfield's "Girl Culture"



Photo courtesy of Snite Museum

Doris Ulmann's photographs are on display at Snite.

and "Roll, Jordan, Roll: Photographs of the Gullah Culture by Doris Ulmann," the latest in the Snite Museum's succession of photography exhibits, provide a startling contrast. "Girl Culture" features photographs published in Greenfield's book of the same name, exploring issues of beauty, image and self-esteem in popular culture and among American women.

"Roll, Jordan, Roll" goes back 70 years in American history and provides a window on the lives of former slaves living on an island off the coast of South Carolina.

#### Lauren Greenfield's "Girl Culture"

The exhibition at the Snite Museum is the second showing of Greenfield's critically acclaimed photographs. Though the exhibit has attracted wide attention, the Snite Museum was the first to request an exhibition of Greenfield's work. Curator of Photography Stephen Moriarty developed an interest in the project after seeing some preliminary photographs and looking through "Fast Forward," another book of Greenfield's photographs.

"We were early supporters of the project," Moriarty said. "I first saw some of the preliminary photographs several years ago, and I was immediately interested."

In appreciation Greenfield mentioned the museum's support in the introduction of her book and gave a lecture at the opening of the exhibit.

As soon as viewers step inside the Art Gallery at O'Shaughnessy, more than 50 girls will begin to speak to anyone who is willing to listen. Diverse aspects of the female gender are shown in an exquisite collection of photographs that the artist has been working on for quite some time. Greenfield explained that some of the pictures for this exhibit were taken before she even realized she had embarked on the project.

"[It] seems to define the contemporary experience of being a girl,"

Greenfield said. Not only do these photographs speak because of the captions and interviews that accompany them, but because the images themselves convey underlying messages about the way girls, and women as well, play, cry, dress, laugh, worry, work, please, impress, suffer, admire, mature — the way they live.

One of the most shocking images is found at the beginning of the exposition, on the wall just to the right of the door. A surgeon's manly hands — covered in gloves to preserve an ambiance of professionalism and sterility — are

shaping a young woman's breasts during a breast augmentation operation. The image is striking first because of its theme — yet another woman succumbing to the aesthetic pressure driven by a masculine perception of what female attributes should look like. The color and lighting of the picture make this reality even harsher by contrasting the girl's light skin with the darkness of the navy blue sheets and scrubs. Toward the bottom of the shot two bloody cloths and a bunch of bloody tools give an even greater sense of vividness, as if the operation was happening right there, and also deem the action as unclean, unsafe.

On a lighter note, one proceeds to find a photograph with an excellent sense of composition as well as a more pleasant theme. Nkechi, a girl of Nigerian descent, is wearing a bright pinkish-orange dress and sitting on a bench towards the left of the frame. She has won a contest in the New York Times Magazine to be dressed by a top designer and be treated like a princess on the day of her high school prom. In front of her lies a light-colored tablecloth with some beauty products wildly dispersed on it, and the white walls around her seem to be pulled towards the balcony in the back of the picture. Both the positioning of the girl and the angles in the room around her are techniques that draw attention to Nkechi as the main



Alli, Annie, Hannah and Berit, all 13, pose before the first big "Girl Culture" exhibit.



Photo courtesy of Snite Museum

Fitness American contestants pose in Redondo Beach, Calif.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Discrimination in the heart of our town

In the 21st century many would like to believe that our society has made some progress against intolerance and racial discrimination. Like many, I believed this to be true. But after last Thursday night I now realize that there is still a long way to go in the advancement of equality and tolerance.

As part of Notre Dame's nightlife traditions, my friends and I gather and release a week's worth of stress at Heartland. This past Thursday was no exception, and so we drove off expecting to have a great time.

As we approached the door there was the usual line, but instantly we realized the bouncers were stricter about checking I.D.'s, obviously due to the Boat Club bust a week before. As I reached the door I showed my license and student I.D. to the bouncer who quickly became quite skeptical about its authenticity.

I am from Puerto Rico. For all those who haven't seen an official Puerto Rican license, I must admit that it looks quite phony and easily replicable, but it is an official US government I.D. Since turning 21 last year I have seen this usual reaction, but all bars usually have the handy I.D. book in which the Puerto Rican license appears, so they can then verify its authenticity.

After staring at my I.D. for two minutes and blinding me with that annoying flashlight to verify my picture, the bouncer asked me for my passport.

This bouncer has seen this I.D. almost every Thursday in the past year and not once gave me a hard time about it, but I calmly answered that I did have a passport but that it was not a document that I, or anyone I know of, carried into such establishment.

He replied that without a passport I would not be granted entrance to the club since he believed my I.D. not to be valid. Adding to those remarks he ignorantly stated to me, "well don't you need your passport to get into this country?"

Now if this bouncer had taken U.S. history in high school he would have known that Puerto Rico is, officially, a United States territory and,

hence, all Puerto Ricans are United States citizens having no need to use any sort of passport or visa.

I clearly informed the bouncer of this and expressed how I

could not understand why he was making a big deal about this whole situation since I go there almost every Thursday night and have never encountered this problem.

He refused to answer me and, given my frustration, decided not to make a scene and just to turn around and walk away. But when I turned around the bouncer simply stated, "we don't want Puerto Ricans here any-

way." I was upset for being turned away from Heartland without a valid reason,

but I accepted the fact that they had to be more stringent on admittance. There was, however, no need to make such reference to my ethnicity. To some it may seem as overreacting, but such racial slurs carry so much injury to the people that are susceptible to discrimination.

The purpose of my letter to The Observer is to inform the student body of what happened to me, and to create awareness of this delicate subject among my peers. Ignoring it would be acceptance, and I refuse not to do something to fight back against sentiments of bigotry and intolerance.

My hope is that this event will help people think more about what they say and reassess their own prejudices. I truly hope this occurrence is not repeated.

As for my friends and I, this will not happen again because we will no longer be patrons of an establishment that hires people that discriminate. My friends and I urge fellow Dominers to sympathize with my situation and make a statement against discrimination at Heartland this Thursday by not going. Besides, there are other fine yachting establishments that need our support right now.

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Feb. 4



## Abortion is an immoral choice

Recently, The Observer reported that four individuals from Saint Mary's Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership were sent to D.C. to lobby for pro-choice causes as some type of "leadership training." This pro-choice lobbying and its funding undermines the missions and values that the students of the Notre Dame community and most women at Saint Mary's believe in.

While it would be nice for the vast majority of us at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's to assume that both schools are bedrocks for the Pro-Life movement, the "leadership training" provided by a Catholic school organization was aimed at perpetuating the travesty of abortion.

Why is an organization that allegedly exists to foster "Women's Intercultural Leadership," which is a noble cause, working for the abortionists' movement and the illegitimate "right" to their abortion industry — an ignoble cause?

Despite consistent rhetoric to the contrary by the National Organization of Women and other organizations that seek to justify abortion as a "women's issue," some polls indicate the majority of women in this country are now pro-life.

Although there are pro-choice polls to the contrary, the majority of women on the campus are pro-life. Why then, was leadership training not provided for pro-life causes by the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership? Is that what is on next year's agenda in the name of "value diversity?"

Second, recent letters to the editor have framed this trip as a matter of understanding and valuing

diversity triumphing over judgment, conformity and closed-mindedness. The moral relativism and appeal to be non-judgmental were advanced in reasoning that pro-lifers should not be outraged that this trip took place.

For those who think that it is wrong to impose their belief that abortion is wrong on others, why would it not also be wrong to impose your belief that murder is wrong on others? Or euthanasia? Or genocide by military regimes such as the Holocaust?

If a human life is being destroyed, the only non-extremist response is to oppose that destruction by changing the law of the land. Jacqueline Cuisinier argued on Tuesday that abortions will happen whether it is legal or not, like alcohol consumption. She claimed being pro-choice is about supporting that freedom. This ignores the fact that a civilized society draws the line on and limits certain freedoms when in conflict with inalienable rights. The right to life is the foremost of the inalienable rights.

Third, this is not a question of promoting "value diversity" on campus. A Catholic school has the right and the obligation to promote the values of the Catholic Church when determining which activities they associate with. If an individual has the right not to be represented by groups that espouse values different from his or her own, then why doesn't a Catholic institution? This is not a question of value diversity, but value integrity.

Fourth, Marcia Maust argued on Tuesday that abortion is an issue upon which the Catholic Church is divided and should be advocated as a matter of Catholicity. This flies in

the face of clear Catholic social teaching. An intentional abortion is automatically excommunicatory, as is the participation in it.

Maust's description of the conference as an experience to help people learn "abortion as a choice" is really only an issue for the economically privileged, not for the poor or informationally marginalized" is perhaps most frustrating. This suggests that pro-choicers are thinking of providing abortions at governmental or health care coverage expense, both of which impose the financial costs of abortion on all Americans.

While the abortion industry falsely claims to represent the interests of women, it has found it makes more money by expediting the process of abortion than providing women with a list of all their alternatives.

Finally, coining abortion, a euphemism for the destruction of a human life, as a "women's issue" further euphemizes this destruction, and it is even further euphemized in medical procedures, i.e. "laminaria." This ignores the fact that abortion affects us all. Men, like women, had a part in creating the life they have no legal rights to save from destruction. We are all missing a full third of our cohort, victims of the abortion era.

The attitude that abortion is a "women's issue" suggests men should mind their own business and are not affected by abortion. Men, too, are moved to tears thinking about abortion and the lives it destroys.

Brian Noonan  
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Feb. 4

## Economics split unfair

I am disgusted at the behavior of the Economics Department administration. First, although this is not what makes me the most upset, creating a new department requires a great amount of money. This is a time when extra funds are not available as other important projects wait to be completed.

Secondly, a split would essentially be breaking the department into two different schools of thought. What makes our economics department unique is its gifted economists, both neoclassical and heterodox, who have a common flame of compassion for the entire human race. With a split, we lose that uniqueness.

Moreover, we say to the country and to the world that as a top university we cannot maturely handle a difference of opinion. People will forever differ in their opinions. It is people of true intelligence who realize how wonderful and important diversity is. What sort of university are we if we deny the existence of that diversity?

Many other universities with esteemed economics departments include individuals of both schools of thought. I don't see why ours should be any exception. If there are issues between personnel, as rumors suggest, it seems to me all that is at hand is a management problem.

Finally, there are two additional things that really upset me. First, the inattention paid to what should be the primary goal of the University: a strong undergraduate program. Clearly, it is not teaching one point of view that produces intelligent individuals; it is teaching many views and letting the mind be opened.

Second, the students are not even being consulted as to their thoughts on the issue. Instead, the school is content to let Dean Mark Roche make the final decision, one that seems to require the least amount of teamwork and compromise — in other words, the easy way out.

Mary Ursu  
freshman  
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Feb. 4

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## s of Life

exhibits: "Girl Culture" and "Roll, Jordan, Roll"



Photo courtesy of Snite Museum

seventh grade party in Edina, Minn. Their photograph is part of the

subject, presenting her in the royal fashion she deserves on her special day.

The rest of the exhibit contains a wide variety of shots depicting little girls, teenagers, and grown women — or traces of them as in the case of a shot of an ashtray filled with cigarette butts covered in bright fuchsia lipstick. Viewers will learn from the latest trends among popular seventh graders, the desires of a young girl to become a woman and become famous like the female pop stars she admires, the struggles to attain ideal weight and be considered beautiful, and the daily hassle of putting on a show and pretending to be something someone is not. This exhibit portrays it all: the good, the bad and the ugly aspects of being a girl today.

#### "Roll, Jordan, Roll: Photographs of the Gullah Culture by Doris Ulmann"

The Snite Museum planned their exhibition of Ulmann's photography in honor of Black History Month and in recognition of a service seminar being run through the Center for Social Concerns. The seminar, entitled "Gullah People and Challenges of Coastal Communities," first took a group of sophomores to Johns Island in South Carolina to learn about the Gullah community in May of 2002. Volunteers painted houses, helped children paint and mural, and provid-

ed after school tutoring.

"We are excited to display these photographs not only because of Black History Month and because it is an exhibition of a woman photographer," Associate Director Ann Knoll said. "They're tied to what's going on on campus."

The photographs of "Roll, Jordan, Roll" are rarely seen in museums. The photographs were compiled in "Roll, Jordan, Roll," a book with text by Pulitzer Prize winner Julia Peterkin, but Ulmann died before making prints of her work. The photographs in the museum were taken from the book for display. Ulmann's photography dates

from the era of the Great Depression. Born into a Jewish family in New York in 1882, Ulmann photographed many of the most famous people of her time, including Albert Einstein, Robert Frost and Sherwood Anderson.

Though Ulmann had many chances to photograph famous personalities, she wanted to find more meaningful material for her work.

Ulmann traveled through Appalachia and the Deep South for a change of scene and subject. The photographs of the Gullah people were taken between 1929 and 1933 on the Lang Syne Plantation in South Carolina. Ulmann worked mostly in portraits, which held a special fascination for her. She brought out the character and pride of the Gullah culture

though portraits of its people, which almost exclusively compose "Roll, Jordan, Roll."

"A face that has the marks of having lived intensely, that expresses some phase of life, some dominant quality or intellectual power, constitutes for me an interesting face," Ulmann said of her own work.

Walking into the exhibit, viewers are surrounded by faces and hands worn through years of work. The photographs show Gullah culture as it was preserved in the relatively isolated barrier islands near South Carolina and Georgia. The people are shown in every aspect of life, from cooking and farming to religious worship. Ulmann's photos highlight the strength and simplicity of a rural life and a close community.

In honor of the exhibit, Gullah storyteller and dancer Jacqueline Jefferson will give cultural presentations Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. at the Snite Museum and Feb. 21 at 5:30 p.m. at the Robinson Community Learning Center.

L a u r e n

Greenfield's "Girl Culture" will be on view through March 9. "Roll, Jordan, Roll" will be until March 23.

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Gullah culture is depicted in "Roll, Jordan, Roll."

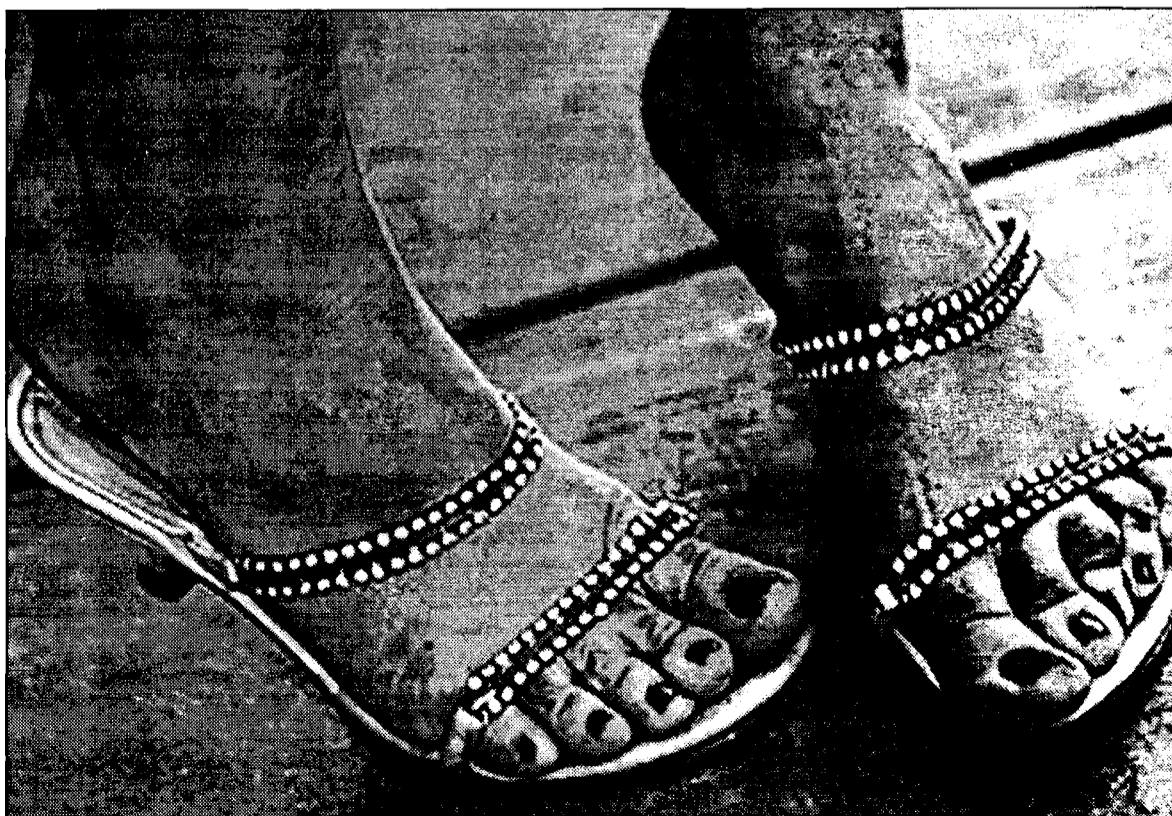


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Nikki, an aspiring actress in Hollywood, wears Gucci shoes and shows off her pedicure.

**MENS BASKETBALL**

# Irish head into second half with great start

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

The first half of the Big East season treated the Irish better than any other year. Now, the second half begins tonight against Seton Hall.

"This is one of the best starts we've had since I've been here," Matt Carroll said. "Right now, with this team and the chemistry we are playing with, I think this could definitely be the year for us to make a run."

At 6-1 in the Big East, No. 10 Notre Dame are off to their best conference start since they joined the Big East seven years ago. Their lone loss has come against Pittsburgh, who the Irish host on Saturday.

But the players say they won't look tonight's road game against the Pirates, mostly because of the tendency of Big East teams to fall on the road this year. Pittsburgh, for example, lost its lone conference game Saturday at Syracuse.

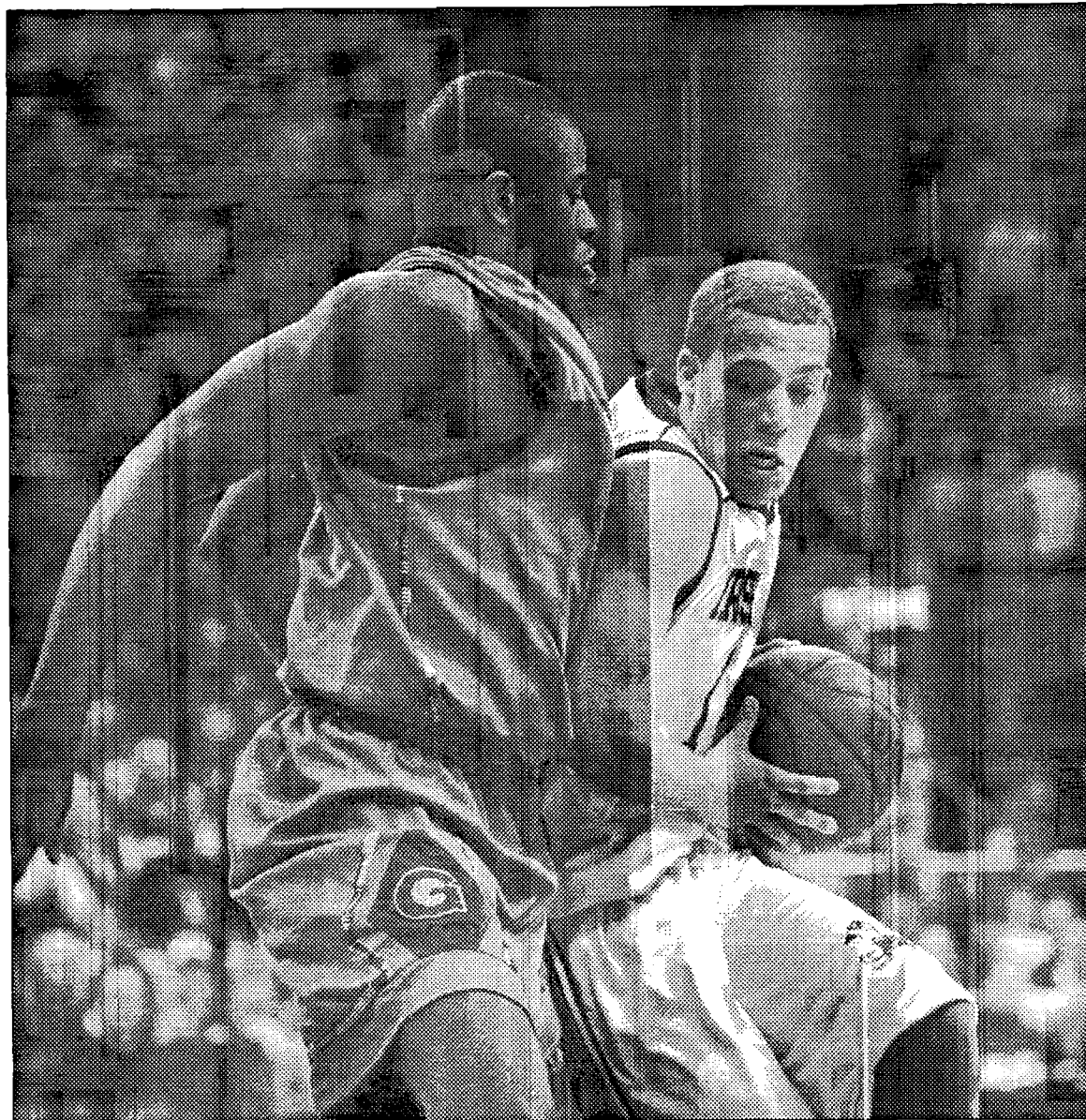
"You've got to deal with the task at hand," Carroll said. "Each game is a big game in the Big East, and we can't look to Pitt until we finish this one."

The first time Notre Dame and Seton Hall played, most students were busy moving back on campus after break. Before a relatively quiet crowd on Jan. 12, Notre Dame hung close to the Pirates before pulling away in the second half for a 74-64 victory.

In that game, the Irish won by pounding the ball at the Pirates, shooting 29 free throws to Seton Hall's nine. Chris Thomas bounced back from a poor outing against Pittsburgh to score 22 points, and Carroll added 19.

And on the heels of overtime wins against Boston College and Georgetown — sandwiched around a dominating victory over West Virginia — the Irish feel they're poised to make a big run.

"I think this team has the players and the talent to make a run both through the end of the season and in the NCAA Tournament," Torrian Jones said. "We have great talent on the perimeter, and we've shown recently with the overtime wins



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**Irish guard Chris Thomas drives past a Georgetown defender during an Irish victory Saturday. The Irish are off to their best Big East start in the last seven years.**

against Boston College and Georgetown that we have the mental toughness that is needed to make a run at the end of the season."

Under coach Mike Brey, the Irish have had their greatest success in February Big East games. In two seasons with the third-year head coach, the Irish have compiled an 11-6 record. They also have a tendency to reel off hordes of wins in bunches. In 2000-01, Notre Dame accumulated an eight-game win streak in conference play, and last year, the Irish rode the wave of a five-game streak.

Now, the Irish have won four

straight games and six of their last seven, putting them in excellent position to make a run for the Big East West title.

"Coach Brey is really big with making sure we stay focused on the next game up on our schedule and not look ahead," Carroll said. "We just want to take care of business at Seton Hall now."

**Note:**

For the third time in his career, Carroll captured Big East Player of the week honors after averaging 27 points and six rebounds in Notre Dame's wins over West Virginia and Georgetown.

Carroll shared the weekly award with Boston College's Troy Bell.

In Notre Dame's win against West Virginia, Carroll scored 18 points. He followed the effort with a career-high 36-point performance against the Hoyas — his third 30-plus point performance this year.

Against the Hoyas, Carroll also set Notre Dame's career 3-point record, breaking David Graves' old record of 260. He shot 6-of-12 from 3-point range and 11-of-20 from the field overall.

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**NCAA BASKETBALL**

# Morandais scores 21 in victory

Associated Press

BOULDER, Colo.

Taking control over the final two minutes, Colorado's Michel Morandais drew a rave review from opposing coach Rick Barnes, who called him "the most underrated player in the league, maybe the country."

Morandais scored 24 points, including a tiebreaking 3-pointer with 1:58 left that triggered a 13-0 run, and Colorado upset No. 3 Texas 93-80 on Tuesday night.

Colorado (13-7, 3-4 in the Big 12), which beat a Top 10 team for the second time in 13 days, also got 23 points from Blair Wilson and 18 points and 14 rebounds from Stephane Pelle.

Brandon Mouton and James Thomas each scored 19 points for Texas (14-4, 5-2).

The Buffaloes, who beat then-No. 6 Kansas 60-59 on Jan. 22, broke open a second half that had 19 lead changes with their flurry over the final two minutes.

After misfiring from the free-throw line most of the night — hitting only 9 of their first 20 — the Buffaloes made 12 of their last 14 over the final 3:19.

David Harrison, who had 16 points, hit two free throws to give Colorado an 80-74 lead with 2:50 remaining. Until those foul shots, neither team led by more than four points in the second half.

The Longhorns countered with six straight free throws — four by T.J. Ford — to make it 80-80 with 2:14 to go.

Morandais' 3-pointer from the left side was followed by his steal and a subsequent free throw by teammate Antoine McGee.

After Morandais blocked a shot, he stole an inbound pass and was fouled, making both free throws for an 86-80 lead with 1:05 left.

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Adrienne — CONGRATS!

Karen — Yeah Mitch!

Candi — Wooooo!

# Football

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football in the early stages of the Willingham era.

This past season, Notre Dame's defense gave up only 217 points for an average of 16.7 opponents' points per game.

Ranked 13th in total defense and ninth in total scoring defense, the Irish can only improve on this side of the ball. Willingham could add up to four top cornerbacks, including Zbikowski, Labrose Hedgeman and Freddie Parish, if Wooden signs.

Hedgeman comes from Alabama and decommitted from the University of North Carolina last week in favor of Notre Dame.

The most recent oral commitment came Tuesday from wide receiver/running back

Chase Anastasio out of Fairfax, Va.

Notre Dame lost only one oral commitment when Florida running back David Marrero reneged on his commitment and chose Stanford, Willingham's former team. The biggest blow for the Irish came when highly recruited offensive lineman Mike Jones chose the Iowa Hawkeyes over Notre Dame as well as other schools. Jones helped his high school team gain more than 4,500 yards total offense and made the All-USA first team.

Irish coaches still have secured two top offensive linemen, however: Ryan Harris from St. Paul, Minnesota and John Sullivan out of Greenwich, Conn.

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# Baseball

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the Cubs.

Several Irish fans in attendance with local loyalties to the Chicago Cubs listened attentively to the GM as he promised that his club would turn around its recent losing ways.

"It's time we won — we know that," Hendry said. "The 'lovable loser' stuff doesn't fly with me. We owe the Cubs fans across the world a winning organization. We're going to make a lot of progress, and we're going to do it fast."

During the speech, Hendry jokingly made references to the different directions that the two clubs — the Irish and the Cubs — appear to be heading.

"We were embarrassingly bad last year," Hendry said. "It's kind of hard to believe I'm here speaking tonight. Notre Dame went to the College World Series, and we won 65 games, and I'm up here as the last guy talking? That doesn't make sense."

But the main focus of the evening was Notre Dame's spectacular 2002 season

that saw the team win a school record 50 games, finish sixth in the nation and make its first appearance in the College World Series since 1957.

"It takes years of hard work to become an overnight sensation," Mainieri joked about his team's gradual rise to national prominence in the college baseball world. "The kids that have been in our program for the last nine years, the kids that have worked in near obscurity, have given everything that they have had to Notre Dame."

"The first seven years, I had some unbelievably talented kids, but we never had the opportunity to go to the World Series," he said. "When we went to Omaha last year, you could feel the contributions of those players. ... In 2002, somehow, somehow, we found a way to get over the hump."

Beginning with the program's first No. 1 ranking two years ago and continuing with its first appearance in the College World Series since 1957 last year, Notre Dame has continued to strengthen its position as one of the nation's elite baseball programs.

"I don't really know if you

realize what you have here," Hendry said. "This is South Bend, Ind. There's four to five inches of snow on the ground, and this is still one of the top four or five baseball programs in the country. No longer is Notre Dame just that Northern cold-weather school that has a good year ever now and then."

As Notre Dame is just over two weeks away from its first game of the season, the question is starting to arise if the Irish can overcome the loss of five seniors — outfielders Steve Stanley and Brian Stavisky, third baseman Andrew Bushey, catcher Paul O'Toole and pitcher Drew Duff — and return to Omaha in the summer.

Hendry tried to answer that question for the Irish Tuesday night.

"Paul is downplaying the going back to Omaha thing, but I'm going to say right now, you're going back to Omaha," he said. "You're going back more than once here, and you're going to win a national championship here at Notre Dame in front off this whole country. I do believe that."

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## FOOTBALL

# Irish reschedule against Syracuse

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's 2003 football game at Syracuse will become the regular-season

finale, to be played on Saturday, Dec. 6, at the Carrier Dome.

The game originally had been listed on Notre Dame schedules as a Nov. 22 con-

test.

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# AROUND THE NATION

## Mens Lacrosse Preseason Coaches Poll

rank	team	2002 record	points
1	Syracuse (21)	15-2	1023
2	Princeton (9)	10-5	1013
3	Johns Hopkins (9)	12-2	997
4	Virginia (6)	11-4	987
5	Maryland	9-4	847
6	Georgetown	12-3	824
7	Duke	9-7	803
8	Massachusetts	12-4	716
9	North Carolina	8-5	670
10	Holstra	11-3	632
11	Cornell	11-4	626
12	Loyola	9-4	597
13	Towson	7-5	514
14	Navy	8-6	462
15	Brown	7-7	438
16	Penn State	8-5	413
17	NOTRE DAME	5-8	401
18	Yale	9-4	357
19	Ohio State	9-5	296
20	Army	8-6	163
21	Harvard	8-7	156
22	Fairfield	7-6	144
23	Penn	9-4	143
24	Bucknell	6-7	124
25	Hobart	6-8	121

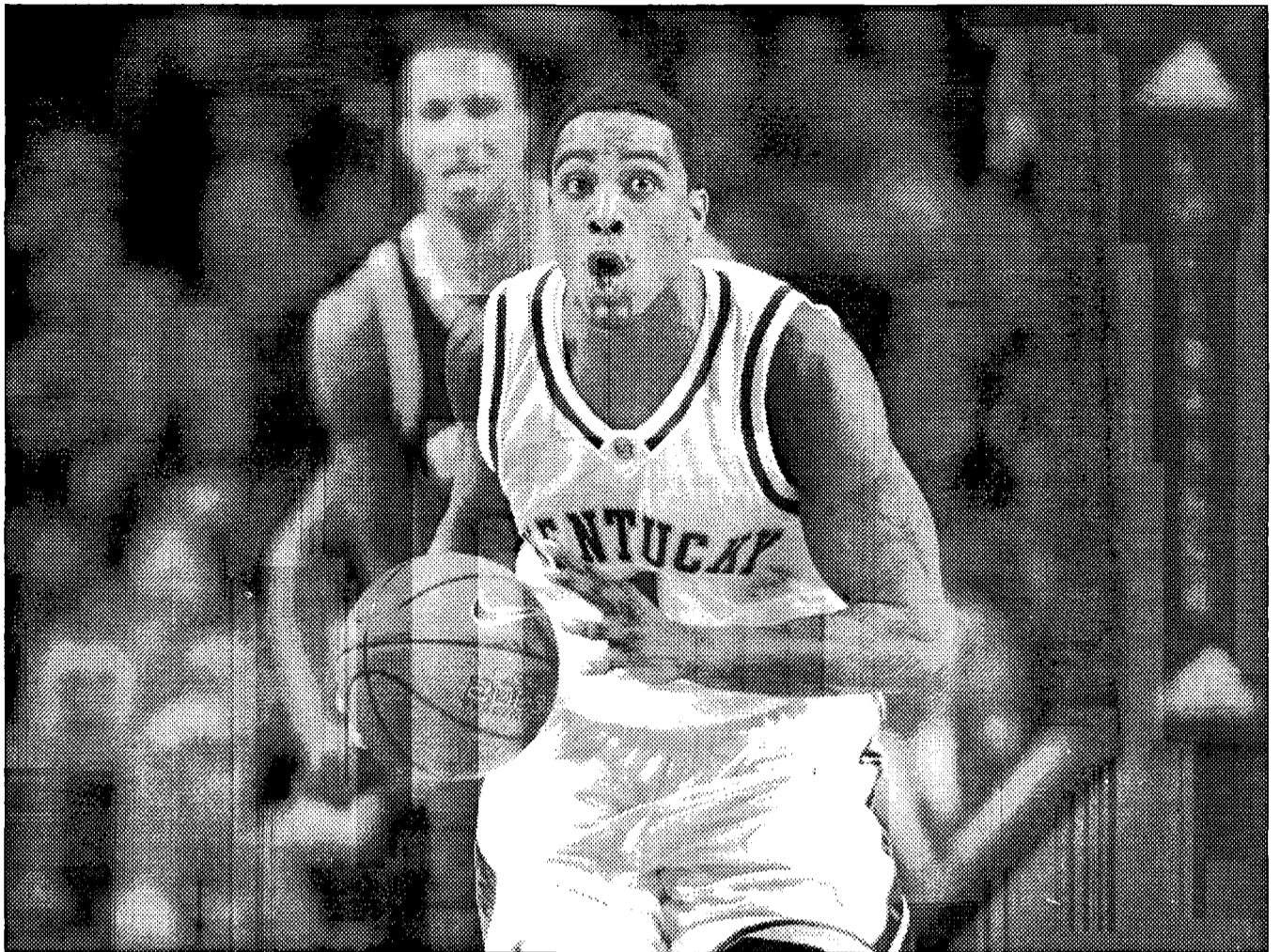
## CCHA Standings

team	W-L-T	Points
Ferris State	14-5-1	29
Ohio State	12-4-2	26
Michigan	12-5-1	25
Michigan State	11-7-1	23
Western Michigan	11-7-0	22
Miami	10-10-2	22
Northern Michigan	10-7-1	21
Nebraska-Omaha	9-12-1	19
NOTRE DAME	7-10-3	17
Alaska Fairbanks	6-11-5	17
Bowling Green	4-13-2	10
Lake Superior	1-16-1	3

## Womens College Basketball Big East Conference

team	W	L	Pct.
Connecticut	8	0	1.000
Boston College	7	1	.875
Rutgers	6	2	.750
Virginia Tech	6	3	.666
Villanova	5	3	.625
Miami	5	4	.556
Seton Hall	5	4	.556
NOTRE DAME	4	4	.500
Georgetown	3	4	.429
Syracuse	3	6	.333
Providence	2	6	.250
Pittsburgh	2	6	.250
St. John's	2	6	.200
West Virginia	0	7	.000

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL



Kentucky's Cliff Hawkins brings the ball upcourt in a recent game. Kentucky knocked off top-ranked Florida, 70-55 at home. Keith Bogans added 15 points for the Wildcats, who improved to 17-3.

## Who wants to be No.1? Not Florida

Associated Press

LEXINGTON, Ky. Florida hardly lived up to its first-ever No. 1 ranking on Tuesday night. Keith Bogans scored 15 points — all in the first half — as No. 6 Kentucky used overwhelming defense to beat the Gators 70-55, snapping Florida's 14-game winning streak. Gerald Fitch had 14 points for Kentucky (17-3, 7-0 Southeastern Conference), which won its 11th straight game, its longest winning streak in coach Tubby Smith's six seasons.

Anthony Roberson

scored 18 points for the Gators (18-3, 7-1), who shot 34 percent (17-of-50), including 36 percent (5-of-14) from 3-point range. The Gators hit four of their first seven shots before Kentucky's defense seized control. For the rest of the half, Florida hardly got an open look and the Wildcats seemed to track down every loose ball. Kentucky finished the half on a 23-4 run as Florida missed 21 of its last 23 shots and committed eight turnovers. The Wildcats scored 14 straight points over one five-minute stretch. Bogans, a senior who averaged 17 points in six

previous games against Florida, shot 6-of-11 in the first half. The Wildcats went 19-of-37 from the field (51 percent) in the opening half, including 7-of-12 from 3-point range (58 percent). After a timeout, Roberson overthrew an inbounds baseball pass to Brett Nelson on the Kentucky side of the floor. Nelson saved the ball right to Cliff Hawkins, who calmly made an uncontested layup. Seconds later, Bogans stole a pass and threw down a two-handed, breakaway dunk for a 41-20 lead. Nelson missed a 3-pointer, the Wildcats

rebounded and Bogans lobbed an alley-oop pass to Hayes for a dunk. Roberson made two free throws, but Daniels hit a fadeaway jumper with 2 seconds left to give Kentucky a 45-22 halftime lead. The Gators finally found a rhythm and hit six of seven shots during a too-late 16-4 run. A 3-pointer by Roberson with 3:59 left cut the lead to 64-47. But Jules Camara made two free throws with 3:22 remaining to cue the "Overrated!" chant from the boisterous Rupp Arena-record crowd of 24,459 and prompt Smith to pull his starters.

## IN BRIEF

### James asks court to let him play

LeBron James' attorney asked a court Tuesday to block a ruling that barred the high school basketball superstar from playing the rest of the season.

The 6-foot-8 senior, expected to be the No. 1 pick in this year's NBA draft, did nothing wrong when he accepted two "throwback" sports jerseys, lawyer Fred Nance said in documents filed in Summit County Common Pleas Court.

"All LeBron did was receive a gift from a friend as congratulations for his academic achievements," Nance said.

"If I had known I was violating anything, I would've never done it," James said. "I would've never jeopardized my eligibility. I would've never jeopardized my team."

James, saying he has a 3.5 grade-point average, thought the store was rewarding him for his schoolwork.

The OHSAA found that the store

gave James the Gale Sayers and Wes Unseld jerseys for free, in exchange for James posing for pictures to be displayed on the walls.

Muscaro ruled that James broke an amateur bylaw "by capitalizing on athletic fame by receiving money or gifts of monetary value."

Nance said in the court filing that James returned the jerseys when he learned the gift was controversial and might threaten his amateur status.

James sat out the first game of his career Sunday. The Fighting Irish won the game and have four left before the playoffs.

### Williams' trial called off

Jayson Williams' trial for Feb. 18 was called off Tuesday when an appeals court agreed to consider dismissing manslaughter charges against the former NBA star.

An appellate panel is to hear arguments March 12 in Trenton from his lawyers and the prosecutor's office. The ruling was filed Tuesday, without

elaboration, by two appellate judges.

Williams' lawyers contend the office's grand jury presentation was flawed and the grand jury never should have been told Williams exercised his right to remain silent after a limousine driver was shot to death at his mansion last Feb. 14.

They also accuse prosecutors of introducing rumors connecting Williams to organized crime while leaving out evidence that he was distraught after the shooting and tried to help the victim.

The grand jury indicted Williams on a more serious manslaughter charge than the one he originally faced, tripling the maximum sentence.

The 35-year-old Williams is accused of recklessly handling the shotgun that killed Costas Christofi, and then trying to make the shooting look self-inflicted. Two other men charged in the case have pleaded guilty and agreed to testify against Williams.

He could face nearly 45 years in prison if convicted on all charges.

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WOMENS BASKETBALL

# Minus Wicks, Irish try to move forward



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Sophomore post player Jackle Batteast sets herself for a shot during Notre Dame's opening exhibition game. The Irish will play Georgetown tonight.

By JOE HETTLER  
Sports Editor

Another challenge presents itself for the Notre Dame womens basketball team Wednesday night, and it's not just the visiting Georgetown Hoyas.

Tonight's matchup between two Big East foes that have each lost three of their last five conference games will mark the first time the Irish play since sophomore guard Kelsey Wicks left the team. Wicks made her decision over the weekend, saying personal reasons were behind her departure.

"I think this is a situation where we have to circle the wagon," Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw said. "This is a close-knit group. They've come together well. I think if we can stay away from injuries, we can overcome [Wicks leaving]."

The Irish get their first chance of overcoming the Wicks setback against a Hoyas team that can score from inside or the perimeter.

Georgetown forward Rebekkah Brunson averages 17.7 points per game and 11.6 rebounds, which is good for sixth best in the country. Brunson also has posted 11 double-doubles this season and has a chance to grab All-America honors at seasons end.

If Notre Dame stops Brunson, the Hoyas likely will throw the ball out to

guard Mary Lisicky, who has connected on 52.3 percent of her 3-point attempts this season. Lisicky also averages 13.5 points and 4.2 assists per contest.

"[Brunson] is good on the perimeter and she's really good on the block and she can drive it in between," McGraw said. "So I think she's a tough matchup for us, that's going to be real difficult to stop her."

"Lisicky is one of the best 3-point shooters in the league, so they have a great inside-outside threat. Those are their two main scorers right now, but anyone else on the team can step up for them."

The Irish will counter with three starters averaging double figures in scoring, including the team's leading scorer, Jacqueline Batteast, who averages over 15 points per game for Notre Dame.

The Irish are coming off a 69-64 home victory over West Virginia Saturday, which improved their Big East record to 4-4. Alicia Ratay and Batteast each scored 21 points in that win.

Notre Dame has owned the all-time series against Georgetown, winning all but one of the 17 meetings between the two teams. The lone win for the Hoyas came in the 1988-89 Investors Classic game with the Irish, 5,206 days ago.

*"I think this is a situation where we have to circle the wagon. This is a close-knit group. They've come together well. I think if we can stay away from injuries, we can overcome [Wicks leaving]."*

**Muffet McGraw**  
Irish coach

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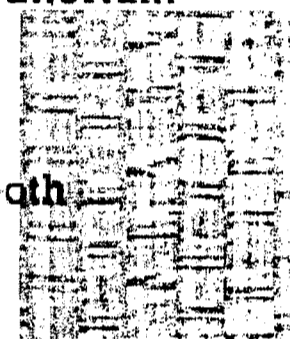
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# Tennis

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torious match of the day occurred at No. 2 doubles, with the Badgers' David

Hippee and Alexander Karasov defeating Irish junior Luis Haddock and junior Brian Farrell, 8-5.

"Wisconsin was a good team," Scott said. "They have a strong doubles team. They have some good players, but we came out strong. We were

really well prepared. Everyone came through. We played with a lot of determination and we fought hard."

The Irish did not expect the Badgers to prove as formidable an opponent than much of their other competition this season.

"I think everyone understands that Wisconsin is a team we should beat every time we go out there," D'Amico said. "It's something that we probably expect out of ourselves."

Still, D'Amico believes that the Irish have made noteworthy improvements as the season, which began with the worst start in school history, has progressed.

"I know that we're improving every day," he said. "[The Badgers] are not as strong a team as the other teams we've played. We're just trying to build on every day."

The win over Wisconsin suggests that the Irish are, as a team, overcoming their relative inexperience. Freshman Patrick Buchanan defeated Jordan Raemisch, 6-4, 6-3 and junior Nicolas Lopez-Acevedo, who has played little, triumphed 6-1, 6-1 over the Badgers' Jeremiah Fuller.

Additionally, junior tri-captain Brian Farrell, making his comeback after a season-long injury hiatus last year, topped Ward Bortz, 6-4, 6-2.

Experienced veterans and team captains Haddock, ranked 72nd nationally, and Scott, ranked 119th, led the Irish at No. 1 and No. 2 singles. Haddock prevailed over Kasarov, 6-4, 6-7 (4-7), 7-5, and Scott straightened out Hippee, 6-3, 7-5.

Scott believes the team's victory will serve as an

important confidence booster, especially with the Irish facing two tough opponents this weekend. The Irish will visit Purdue Saturday and will face Duke at home Sunday.

"I think we all knew deep down inside that we were capable of playing tennis," Scott said. "It was just a matter of doing so in a match. I don't think it makes a statement. It just boosts our confidence."

But D'Amico thinks the Irish made a statement of sorts Tuesday.

"If you're going to beat someone, you want to beat them as bad as you can," he said. "I think it was a goal of everyone on our team today that we wanted to go out and make a statement to them and to ourselves by beating them and not giving up a point."

With their first win under their belt, the Irish are hoping the lessons learned from the early season will carry on into the weekend.

"It's one win, long year," Scott said. "It's definitely a much more positive bus ride home. We're not going to get ahead of ourselves. We're glad that we got this win and we're looking forward to picking up another at Purdue."

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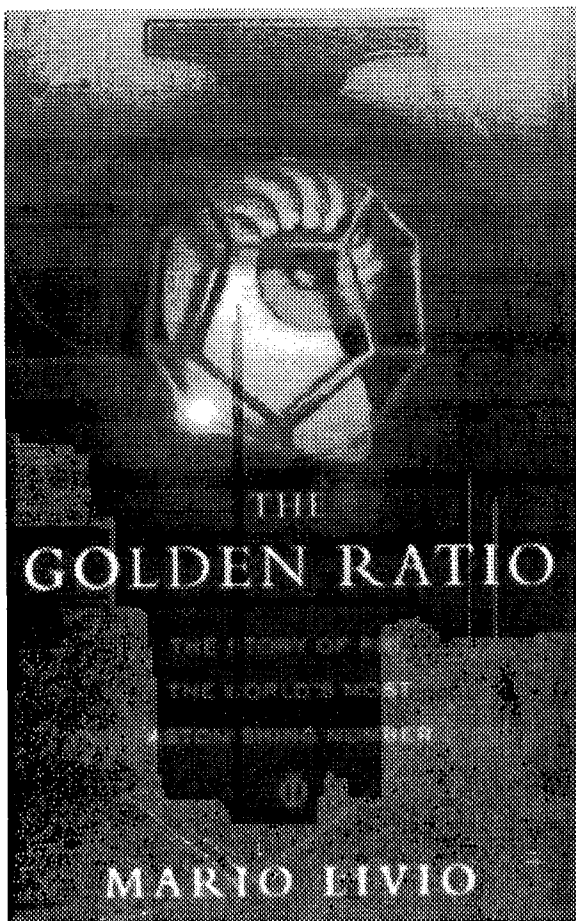
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SMC BASEKTBALL

# Belles badly need win against Hope

By TREY WILLIAMS  
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's basketball needs Hope like the most desperate of sports teams right now.

Every team has hope in the literal context, but what the Belles need is a win over the No. 1-ranked Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association team, Hope College.

The Flying Dutch (19-0) have gone undefeated in the MIAA, ousting the Belles (5-14, 1-7 in the MIAA) earlier in the season 90-73 at the Angela Athletic Center. This time around, the Belles will battle on the road.

"I think we're at an advantage being the underdogs," said senior guard Shaun Russell "When a team is at this point, no one really expects anything out of them. That leaves room for a lot of surprises."

The Belles have been awaiting a turnaround in their season for a long time, with their losing streak currently at seven games. A win over the Dutch, however, could turn the Belles season around.

"This season has kind of made us come together as a team," guard Emily Creachbaum said. "Each person has realized what they need to do to help the team."

Hope College has the most

wins of any Division III team and are the nation's third highest scoring team, averaging 80.1 points per game.

The Dutch also boast a heavy arsenal with senior center Amanda Kerkstra, whose 1,375 career points are a Hope record.

The Belles, on the other hand, also have a talented squad with several players scoring in the double digits. Saint Mary's Bridget Boyce walked away with 15 points, while teammate added Anne Hogan's 13 points in the Belles last game against Olivet.

"We have a lot of talent on this team," said Russell "It's just a matter of applying talent to an entire game without letting up."

The Belles were also without season scoring leader Creachbaum, who sprained her ankle early in the first half in the Olivet game. Despite her absence in the last game and her absence from tonight's game, Creachbaum remains confident.

"We've developed into a much more mental team through practice," Creachbaum said. "We have the physical ability, but now we need to get focused on the game."

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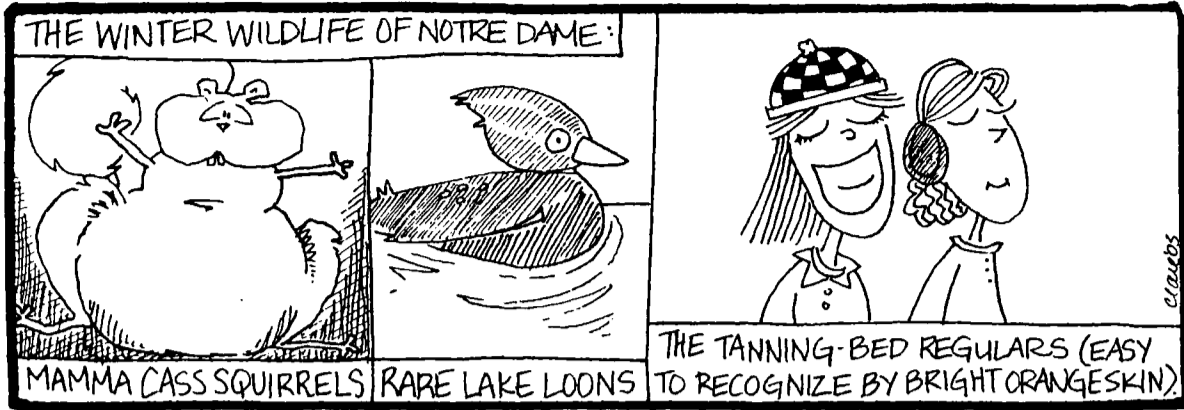


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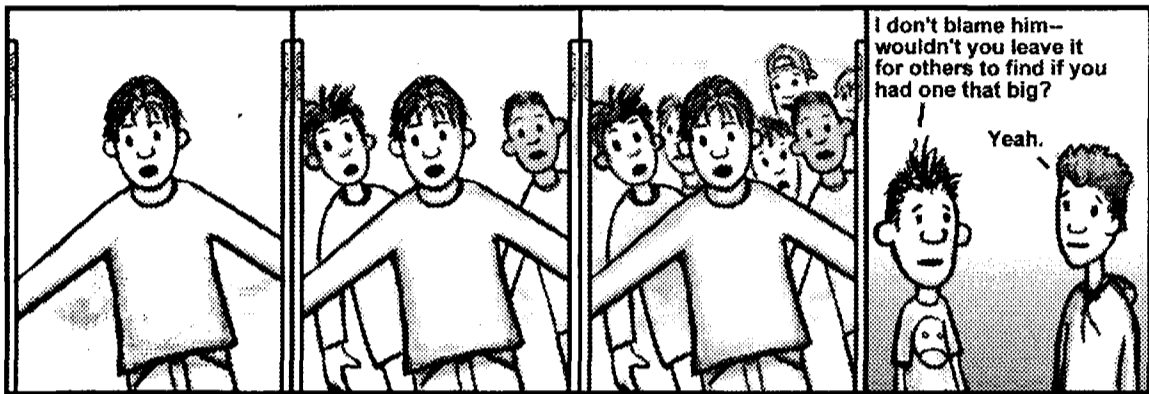
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  - 13 Call
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  - 21 Change form
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  - 31 Med. readout
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# SPORTS

Wednesday, February 5, 2003

## FOOTBALL RECRUITING

# Willingham set to reveal class of 2007

### ◆ Irish have 19 commitments and are waiting on two more

By PAT LEONARD  
Sports Writer

This afternoon, Tyrone Willingham will announce the results of his first full recruiting effort as head coach of Notre Dame football.

With 19 recruits orally committed, Irish coaches now wait on two top prospects — teammates defensive end Victor Abiamiri and cornerback Ambrose Wooden — as signing day approaches. If the two recruits sign with Notre Dame tomorrow, they will complete a recruiting class that

already ranks among the best of 2003.

Abiamiri (6-foot-5, 245 pounds) and Wooden (6-foot-1, 185 pounds) played as teammates at the Gilman School in Baltimore, Md. Abiamiri attracts most of the attention, as many expert analysts consider him one of the best if not the best defensive end in the nation.

"They will go [to Notre Dame]," ESPN expert Tom Lemming said. "Abiamiri is the premier pass rusher in the country. We saw that in the game in San Antonio [U.S. Army All-American Bowl]. I think he had three or four sacks in that game."

Abiamiri was seriously considering attending the University of Maryland, but reports of illegal monetary offers made by Maryland

coaches meant the Terrapins had to drop Abiamiri from their target list.

With Abiamiri, the Irish would get a precocious pass rusher who seems to have the talent to play right away. Abiamiri recorded 12 sacks, 17 tackles for a loss and one interception in a senior year in which he earned All-USA 2002 first team defensive honors. The end could step in early next season and complement junior Justin Tuck to give opposing quarterbacks fits.

"He's a remarkably quick 238-pounder with long arms, great closing speed, and tremendous determination," Lemming said. "He's the best defensive end Notre Dame has signed since Ross Browner."

Wooden runs a 4.4-second 40-yard dash and played quarterback in high

school, similar to commitment Tom Zbikowski out of Buffalo Grove, Ill. Wooden threw for 1,006 yards and nine touchdowns and rushed for another 1,309 yards and 13 touchdowns.

"Like Zbikowski, in high school he was a great quarterback on offense but will probably wind up playing cornerback," Lemming said. "What they [Notre Dame] get is a pure cornerback with height. He's an exceptional athlete and like Zbikowski could contribute as a true freshman."

The fact Lemming complements these players and compares them to former Notre Dame greats bodes well for the future of Notre Dame

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## BASEBALL

# Cubs GM opens season for Irish

By CHRIS FEDERICO  
Sports Writer

Last year, former Los Angeles Dodgers' head coach and Hall of Famer Tommy LaSorda set the tone for what would be one of Notre Dame baseball's best seasons by delivering the key speech at the team's opening night dinner.

Tuesday, the Irish hoped to extend that new tradition as Chicago Cubs' General Manager Jim Hendry served as the key speaker at Notre Dame baseball's 2003 Opening Night Ceremonies.

Hendry teamed up with Irish head coach Paul Mainieri to give Irish fans in the Joyce Center a night of baseball in the heart of winter.

"I've always lived and died Notre Dame, I just wasn't good enough to play here or smart enough to get in," Hendry said. "Even before Paul got here, I've had a love affair with Notre Dame."

Hendry was invited to speak at the function by Mainieri, his close friend, and his long-time love of Notre Dame made the occasion an opportunity he could not turn down.

In addition to his close relationship with Mainieri, Hendry also has ties to Irish associate head coach Brian O'Connor, who played under Hendry at Creighton University and was an integral member of the 1991 Blue Jays squad that made a run to the College World Series.

Hendry also spent three years in the Florida Marlins' organization serving as a special assistant, scout and a minor league manager before joining



CHRIS FEDERICO/The Observer

Irish coach Paul Mainieri talks to Cubs general manager Jim Hendry during Tuesday's Opening Night Ceremonies.

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## MENS TENNIS

# Irish find first win on road

By JOE LINDSLEY  
Sports Writer

After fruitlessly looking for a win in their first four matches of the season, the Irish finally triumphed Tuesday with a road win at Wisconsin.

And in case anyone were to suggest Wisconsin was too easy of an opponent, Notre Dame completely dominated the match, winning 7-0.

"Everyone's very pleased with the victory," junior Matt Scott said. "When you go 0-4, you start to lose the feeling of what it's like to pick up a win. It just reminded us what that felt like and it's a great feeling. We want to keep getting there."

The Irish began the match by winning the doubles point against a program that has lost to Notre Dame in each of their past 12 meetings. Juniors Ben Hatten and Nicolas Lopez-Acevedo won the first match, 8-3. The duo are now 3-1 in doubles play on the season. Then Scott, one of three team captains, and sophomore Brent D'Amico claimed the doubles point for the Irish with their 8-5 win. Wisconsin's only vic-

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## SPORTS AT A GLANCE

### MENS BASKETBALL

Notre Dame at Seton Hall  
Tonight  
7 p.m.

At 6-1, the Irish have their best Big East start in history as they head into the second half of the season.

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### WOMENS BASKETBALL

Georgetown at Notre Dame  
Tonight  
7 p.m.

Notre Dame hasn't lost to Georgetown in 5,000 days. They hope tonight won't change that.

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### SMC BASKETBALL

Saint Mary's at Hope  
Tonight  
7:30 p.m.

The Belles are looking to upset the nation's leading scorers in Division III.

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