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## Hallahan, Ebersol move forward

By MEGHANNE DOWNES  
Associate News Editor

The tickets of Charlie Ebersol-Lauren Meagher and Pat Hallahan-Jeremy Lao received the two highest percentages in Monday's student government election and moved on to Thursday's run-off election.

Hallahan-Lao received 27.6 percent of the vote and Ebersol-Meagher received 20.6 percent of the 4,055. The two tickets will square off in a debate Wednesday.

Hallahan said he and Lao intend to continue campaigning and will concentrate on the dorms.

"[The debate] will be a much more conducive setting to getting our message across and it will allow us to showcase our strengths," Hallahan said.

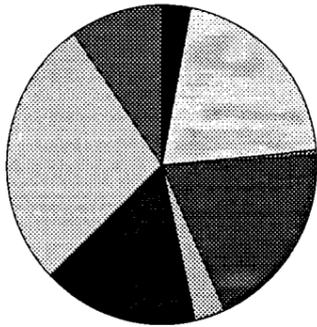
Ebersol and Meagher, who received only 50 more votes than third-place ticket Joe Muto-Mimi Matkowski, said they were excited they made the run-off and looked forward to the debate, where they want to differentiate themselves from Hallahan-Lao.

Ebersol said he was impressed by the voter turnout for Mike Bott-Mike Kirsh and Joe Muto-Matkowski, adding that he intends to work

### Election Results



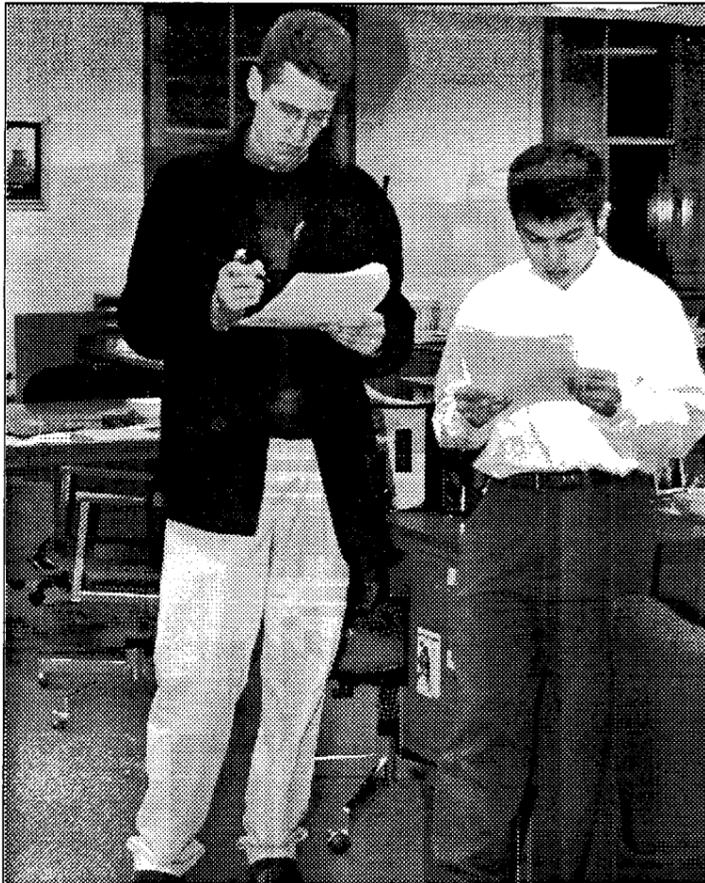
Hallahan Ebersol



towards gaining their voter support because their tickets were similar to his.

The other tickets, Muto-Matkowski, Bott-Kirsh, Ryan Gagnet-John McCarthy, Drew Updike-Eric Tarnowski and

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Presidential candidate Pat Hallahan and his running mate Jeremy Lao review Monday's election results. Their ticket will participate in a run-off election Thursday against Charlie Ebersol and Lauren Meagher.

## Record number applies

By HELENA PAYNE  
News Editor

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions received a record total of over 12,000 applications for fall 2003 enrollment.

"One thing we do know for sure is that we have had more students visit this year," said Bob Mundy, director of admissions operations. "That's a great incentive for them to apply."

An estimated 12,040 applications makes this year's number of applications a 23 percent jump from 2002 — 19 percent more than the previous high of 10,052 in 2000. Due to the volume of applications, the Office does not yet have the final total. The regular admission deadline was Jan. 9.

Mundy said an increase in this summer's prospective

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## Bishop responds to resignations

By MEGHANNE DOWNES  
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Student Body President Libby Bishop said the resignation of her chief of staff Pat Hallahan came after she questioned his trust and ability to accurately represent the views of her office.

Hallahan, a candidate for student body president, said Thursday he resigned solely due to differences with Bishop, particularly on the dance issue. Bishop said Hallahan's decision to make his resignation a public issue disappointed her because his resignation was a result of several factors, including the amount of time he dedicated to her office this semester and his decision to speak out against her view at last week's Senate meeting about hall dance policy.

At a Feb. 3 Senate meeting, Hallahan provided information that Bishop had not provided to senators regarding the University's stance to not reconsider restoring in-hall dances within the next two to three years and made suggestions as to what course of action the Senate could take to voice its opinion on in-hall dances.

Senate passed a resolution directing Bishop to include a proposal to reinstate in-hall dances for a probationary period of one year following Hallahan's comments.

Bishop said Sunday that his comments, which were the opposite of what she said her office was trying to accomplish, made her question whether he understood his role of chief of staff. "It wasn't just his public disagreement but the tone of his comment — unsupportive would be an understatement and it was unsupportive of the office's strategy," she said.

Hallahan said Sunday his comments at the Feb. 3 Senate meeting were not said in an unsupportive tone and that he made the comments as a point of

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## Trustees stand firm on dance ban

By JASON McFARLEY  
News Writer

Notre Dame trustees weighed reinstating in-hall dances but will keep the ban in place for at least another year, said Student Body President Libby Bishop, who delivered a report on the displaced dances and campus social life at the board's winter meeting last week.

In the meantime, Bishop said, trustees will make three recommendations to the Office of Student Affairs to improve the current state of dances.

Bishop, in a 90-minute interview with The Observer, spoke about her Thursday presentation to the board and answered criticisms by student government colleagues that her report took a weak stand on the dance issue.

The report, "An Update on Hall Dances and an Overview of Social Life at Notre Dame," characterized student reaction to the outlaw of in-dorm dances as mostly negative and called on administrators to provide more money and support for planning dances outside the residence halls.

Following her hourlong session with the board's Student Affairs subcommittee, Bishop said, trustees immediately adopted three resolu-

tions:

◆ that the University give each hall \$1,000 for dances in 2003-04 contingent on the agreement that halls let school officials review their dance budgets to see where and how the money is spent;

◆ that student life administrators devise a plan to maximize availability of out-of-dorm dance venues, especially the most popular locations;

◆ and that officials work with Food Services to lower costs and increase food options for dances that are required to be catered.

Before the report, trustees had considered a return to in-hall dances but decided

against it.

"They seriously thought about putting the dances back in the halls but wanted to invest in the current system for at least another year," she said. "They thought it was tough to evaluate [the dance ban's] success after just [two] semesters."

Bishop's nine-page report, in fact, did not urge trustees to lift the ban, and the omission caused fallout that Bishop is still dealing with.

She flew to the Naples, Fla., meeting amid concerns by fellow student leaders that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators and Bishop's former chief of staff, Pat Hallahan, blasted the docu-

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Libby Bishop  
Student Body President

ment as watered-down and pushed the student body president to demand that in-hall dances be reinstated.

At a Feb. 3 emergency meeting, Senate passed a resolution directing Bishop to include in her report a request that dances be brought back for a one-year probationary period. Bishop, though, left the Senate proposal out of her report and has executed a pocket veto of sorts by refusing for the past week to sign it into adoption.

Meanwhile, Hallahan, now running for student body president, claimed he resigned as Bishop's top policy adviser last week over his difference of opinion with her on the dance issue. Erin LaRuffa, Bishop's director of public relations, resigned Monday after publicly criticizing the report.

Throughout the upheaval, Bishop has maintained that the report was strong and that she should ultimately have final say in a document coming out of her office.

"Although Senate's reasoning was very much in keeping with student opinion, I felt I'd get more out of the report if I left their demand out of it," Bishop said. She pointed out that most of the board had read online in The Observer about the Senate controversy and several trustees asked her about the uproar.

"With this report, I think I took a more realistic approach about what was going to happen," she said. "Had I been antagonistic, I don't think I would have been as successful with these resolutions. The reality is this is

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INSIDE COLUMN

# Thanks, snow removers

As the lake effect snow machine roars into action again this winter, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of Facilities Services responsible for keeping the campus roads and side-walks relatively snow-free every day. Sure, driving around a truck with a plow on it all day is probably every little boy's dream and it is every college male's dream to drive one of those cool tractors with a whirling brush on it and nail every pedestrian with a spray of snow (which the people at Landscape Services somehow avoid to do — I haven't seen any real snowmen this year). However, I am sure that this job becomes monotonous at 4 a.m. going back and forth down all the quads. Plus, the janitors already have enough work to do cleaning buildings without being responsible for clearing the entrances to their buildings from snow falling at the rate six inches an hour, as well. So, on behalf of all the students who haven't fallen down because of slippery side-walks — and even the ones that have fallen (but only once or twice), thanks for all your hard work. I hope you get paid overtime!



**Scott Brodfuehrer**

Associate News Editor

Snow removal has always been sort of an obsession for me. The pinnacle of my snow clearing experiences occurred in 1996 when a Blizzard dumped over 20 inches of snow on the Washington, D.C. area and school was cancelled for a week. Shoveling became a full-time job as I tried to clear a path so my two younger sisters would not disappear forever into the snow. And then I, along with the whole neighborhood who had been snowed in for days, gathered around the court several days later as a front loader came to remove the massive amount of snow. What could be cooler than a large yellow construction vehicle moving snow in front of your house? I mean, come on.

So, I'll have to admit that while shoveling isn't a favorite chore of most people, I have been very tempted to pick up a shovel and go to town on a sidewalk here on campus. I only got this chance once, freshman year, as I helped to shovel out a friend's car after the infamous blizzard cancelled finals. Underclassmen should ask a junior or senior for details of this whale of storm — or for a real story, ask Professor Emil Hofman about the snow in the '70s that cancelled classes and sent students with sleds walking to town in search of beer. And you thought the crowd at Main Circle greeting the national championship womens basketball team was big!

So, as much as everyone complains about the snow here, I guess a snow removal addict like me picked the right school to go to. And if a snow plow goes missing one night, maybe I'll be the lucky one behind the wheel!

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Scott Brodfuehrer at sbrodue@nd.edu.

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Officials from various police jurisdictions have confirmed that NDSP was not involved in the planning of the Boat Club bust.	The decision by France, Germany and Belgium to refuse to provide Turkey protection against an attack by Iraq will hurt the NATO alliance, President Bush said.	Prices for heating oil and gasoline will continue to rise due to the cold winter and worries about a possible war with Iraq.	Political Science professor Martha Merritt discusses Russia's opposition to a war in Iraq.	With the release of her latest album "Up!", music star Shania Twain offers 19 radio and fan-friendly tracks.	Fresh off a big win over Pittsburgh, coach Mike Brey is emphasizing the upcoming Big East championship to the team more than March Madness.
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**WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND**

- ◆ "Enduring Consequences of Democratization Scenarios: Portugal and Spain Compared," Robert Fishman, 12:30 p.m., Room C-103, Hlesburgh Center.
- ◆ Bookreading, *Domers*, Kevin Coyne, journalist and author. 7:30 p.m., Washington Hall. Reception to follow in LaFortune ballroom.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC**

- ◆ Contemporary Drama Reading and Dinner, 4:30 p.m., President's Dining Room
- ◆ Freshman Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Hagggar College Center, Room 304
- ◆ Acoustic Guitarist Adam Richman, 7 p.m., Dalloway's Clubhouse

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

- No free meal for student**  
A student and three visitors were stopped bypassing the cashier at South Dining Hall Friday attempting to eat without paying for their meals. The case is being referred for administrative review.
- Shoplifter caught at Huddle**  
A student was apprehended attempting leaving the Huddle Mart Friday without paying for items. The case is being referred for administrative review.
- Wallet stolen from Rolfs**  
A University employee reported the theft of his wallet from an unlocked locker in Rolfs Sports Recreation Center between 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. on Thursday. There are no suspects.
- Students go to hospital**  
NDSP transported two students to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury during Late Night Olympics at the Joyce Center on Friday night and Saturday morning.
- Car towed from PW**  
A University employee's vehicle was towed for a parking violation from Pasquerella West on Sunday.
- Hit and run in Main Circle**  
A visitor reported her vehicle was hit by another vehicle while parked in the main circle on Thursday.
- Cars collide in parking lot**  
NDSP responded to a two car accident in the B03 lot on Sunday. There were no injuries reported.
- Visitors rowdy after Pitt win**  
NDSP responded to a complaint of disruptive visitors in section 117 of the Joyce Center Sunday afternoon.
- PlayStation stolen from dorm**  
A student reported the theft of his Play Station 2 from his room in Siegfried Hall between 1:30 a.m.-noon on Sunday. There are no suspects.
- Wreck on Juniper road**  
NDSP responded to a two car accident on Juniper Road on Sunday afternoon. There were no injuries reported.
- Cell phone lost**  
A visitor reported losing her cellular phone at an unknown campus location on Sunday afternoon.

~ Compiled from NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

- North Dining Hall**  
**Today's Lunch:** Amatriciana, mushroom marinara, sausage pineapple pizza, meatloaf, scalloped corn casserole, brown sauce, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, petite carrots in honey-orange sauce, grilled tilapia, steakhouse fries, szechuan vegetable stir-fry, chicken fajita, Lone Star rice  
**Today's Dinner:** Amatriciana, pesto sauce, sausage pineapple pizza, roast top sirloin, zum zum, potato salad, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, peas and pearl onions, cherry cobbler, lemon-baked perch, rice valencienne, curried vegetables, cut corn, sliced carrots, broccoli, baked potato, curly-q seasoned fries
- South Dining Hall**  
**Today's Lunch:** Meatless baked ziti, meatball stroganoff, elbow macaroni, supreme pizza, pretzel sticks, pasta primavera, chicken & dumplings, baked haddock jardiniere, London broil teriyaki, garlic mashed potatoes, Philly steak sandwich, sweet & sour chicken, chicken & cheese chimichanga  
**Today's Dinner:** Meatless baked ziti, meatball stroganoff, elbow macaroni, supreme pizza, pretzel sticks, noodles romanoff, mixed vegetables, roast beef hash, sauerkraut, turkey broccoli bake, pork loin with apples, hot applesauce, cherry crisp, blaz'n sea nuggets, Cantonese BBQ chicken
- Saint Mary's Dining Hall**  
**Today's Lunch:** Szechuan vegetables with jasmine rice, herb pasta, marinara, harvest flat bread sandwich, turkey snow pea stir fry with rice, batter fried pollock, macaroni and cheese, glazed carrots, meat lovers pizza, cheese pizza, bread sticks, italian loafer, egg salad, sliced smoked turkey  
**Today's Dinner:** Herb pasta, marinara sauce, spicy stir fried tofu, garden burger, grilled yellow squash, chicken adobo, grilled hamburger, chicken patties, grilled cheese sandwich, french fries, twice cooked pork, wild rice, parsley buttered potato, country kitchen vegetables, cheese pizza, meat lovers pizza

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<b>LOCAL WEATHER</b>						
	HIGH 25 LOW 10	HIGH 24 LOW 10	HIGH 19 LOW 13	HIGH 28 LOW 22	HIGH 36 LOW 23	HIGH 33 LOW 14

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**BOARD OF GOVERNANCE**

**SMC group announces events**

By MEGAN O'NEIL  
News Writer

Various board members gave briefings Monday afternoon at the Saint Mary's Board of Governance meeting and the meeting included no new business.

As a result of midterms, BOG President Kim Jensen announced that the March 3 BOG is cancelled.

She went on to say that turnover of BOG positions will take place at the March 24 meeting.

Senior Class President Rachel Finely spoke briefly about Commencement pro-

ceedings, reminding the board that there are 96 days left until graduation. The senior class plans to survey Saint Mary's seniors by phone in order to plan events for senior week in May.

It was reported that the Reading Day proposal, something long worked on by student government, goes before the Academic Standing Committee Friday for a vote. If approved, the proposal will continue on to Academic Affairs for further review.

Athletic Commissioner Ellen Burns has organized a send-off event for the Saint Mary's swim team this Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the Angela Athletic

facility, where goody bags will be given to the swimmers. All are encouraged to attend and show support for their fellow Belles.

The Student Activities Board is hosting acoustic guitarist Adam Richman tonight at 7 p.m. in Dalloway's.

First Year Class President Anna Bauer reported that sales of the class shirt were disappointing.

"We only ordered 150," she said. "We are really hoping to sell them."

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**Police: NDSP played no role in Boat bust**

By TERESA FRALISH  
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Two weeks after the Jan. 24 raid of The Boat Club that resulted in over 200 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students being cited, all police jurisdictions agree that Notre Dame Security Police was not involved in the planning of the bust, but it has not been clarified whether other University officials provided information to excise police about the bar.

While police and University officials declined to comment on the details of any specific coordination for the raid, state excise police at the raid did have Notre Dame student directories that were obtained directly from the University, said Lt. Greg Deitchley, spokesperson for the District 1 office of the Indiana State Excise Police.

"We have our own [directories]," said Deitchley.

According to Deitchley, Notre Dame Security Police was not involved in planning the bust. "We had gotten information that there were underage people in The Boat Club," he said. "We do our own investigation and we confirmed that."

Deitchley declined to say how excise police received information about possible underage drinking at the bar or about how such activity was confirmed.

After receiving that information, excise police began planning for the raid on The Boat Club.

"I contacted South Bend Police for assistance [and] we made arrangements for a night to go," Deitchley said.

Jeff Shoup, director of residence life at Notre Dame, declined to comment on whether the University provides information to police

about what bars underage students patronize. However, Shoup said Residence Life became involved only after the bust occurred.

"The police get those reports and then they forward them to me," he said.

Notre Dame students cited in the Boat Club bust were sent letters Jan. 29 stating that they were required to attend conferences at Residence Life.

Shoup said he feels that raids are one way to promote a different attitude about drinking among students.

"It starts to build an atmosphere where people are aware of what the community standards are," Shoup said.

The bust was led by excise police and also included South Bend police and regular state police. While the raid was taking place, Deitchley said police requested assistance from NDSP.

"I had an officer contact NDSP while we were there. We were having some trouble verifying addresses [of students who were being cited]," he said.

Deitchley could not say exactly what the difficulties were or how NDSP was able to help resolve them.

Rex Rakow, director of NDSP, said his office did not have any prior information about the Jan. 24 raid, but did become involved while the bust was taking place.

"We're not really involved in the planning and coordination. One of the [NDSP] sergeants and assistant directors went down there to help [identify] people," he said. "We're concerned in situations like [the Boat Club raid] that students are treated fairly."

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## EXECUTIVE CABINET

## Group discusses budget increase

By MATT BRAMANTI  
News Writer

Student government's Executive Cabinet met Monday night to discuss the Financial Management Board's proposal for an annual increase in the student activities fee as well as student body president Libby Bishop's report to the Board of Trustees.

The FMB proposed increasing the activities fee by 75 percent of the rate of tuition increases. Student union treasurer Andrew Oxenreiter said the plan is aimed at establishing a gradual, stable increase in funding for student groups.

"We want to give the budget some continuity in future years," Oxenreiter said.

Some cabinet members balked at the idea, suggesting the rate of increase should be directly related to the increase in tuition. Amy O'Connor, chair of the Club Coordination Council, said the 75 percent figure was a compromise that would allow student organizations to maintain their current level of programming.

"It was a good balance between tying the increase [at the rate of] inflation and tying it to the full tuition increase," O'Connor said.

Trip Foley, student body vice president, welcomed the move, calling it a "sound investment." He said the new funding would be necessary to support underfunded campus organizations.

"We're behind a lot of our peer institutions," Foley said.

Cabinet members voted unanimously to support the resolution but added a suggestion to

consider a direct increase with the rate of tuition.

Bishop also spoke about her report to the University's Board of Trustees at their meeting last week in Naples, Fla. The report primarily dealt with student reaction to the dance policies that went into effect last fall. Bishop's findings had been the subject of considerable debate in Student Senate, as several senators felt her recommendations were too weakly worded.

Bishop said the board welcomed the report, but confirmed its position on the dance policy.

"[The trustees] received it very well, but they all agreed

that they wanted to invest in the new system for the next couple of years," Bishop said.

She also applauded the board's decision to grant \$1,000 to each residence hall next year to aid in planning dances.

**In other Exec Cab news:**

◆ Junior class president Meghan O'Donnell announced her class will sponsor a letter-writing campaign aimed at American military personnel stationed overseas.

"We wanted to do this because a lot of people have had to leave their friends and families behind," O'Donnell said.

◆ Freshman class president Dave Baron encouraged members of his class to attend "Vegas Night" Saturday in the LaFortune Ballroom. The event, titled "Let's All Get Lucky," will feature casino games including roulette, craps and blackjack, as well as a deejay. Gamblers will have the chance to win DVD players, TVs and other prizes.

◆ Student Union Board manager Stephen Christ told cabinet members that this week's Acousticafe will be replaced by an event called "ND Unplugged." The event, to be held Thursday night in the Huddle, will feature live poetry readings by Notre Dame students.

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## Bishop

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"She may say that it was disloyal but I would say that it was dishonest that she did not inform senators," said Hallahan.

Bishop said it was not a conscious decision not to inform senators of the administrators' decision. She said Hallahan should have expressed his comments privately to remain professional and not expressed them in a public Senate meeting.

Bishop said she met with Hallahan after the Senate meeting because she was surprised by his comments and, because they had previously discussed their views about hall dances, she was unaware of the depth of his opposing opinion.

With regard to Hallahan's time commitment to Bishop's office, Hallahan said he informed Bishop when he decided to run for student body president his first priority was to the Office of the Student Body President and he would work other commitments around this schedule.

Bishop, however, disagreed. "When lines of campaign issues and working as chief of staff come in conflict that's when we have a problem," she said. The role of the chief of staff is to run the daily operations of the office, act as the student body president's primary representative, coordinate projects and motivate members of the staff.

Trip Foley, student body vice president, said Hallahan's resignation was due to ongoing frus-

tration between Hallahan and Bishop that escalated at the Feb. 3 Senate meeting. Foley declined to comment on what the ongoing frustrations were.

Foley said the timing of Hallahan's resignation was not politically motivated and occurred because Bishop informed a staff member of Hallahan's resignation before a final decision had been made.

Hallahan said, "If it was politically motivated than it would have been coming a long time ago and my resignation would have come Monday night after I stood up for students' rights against her view. I don't think this is helping me politically."

Another member of Bishop's staff, Erin LaRuffa, director of public relations, said she resigned Sunday due to the handling of Hallahan's resignation. LaRuffa, who worked on Hallahan's campaign, said she and Bishop talked Sunday about the comments she made in Friday's Observer regarding Hallahan's resignation and whether she could still represent her office as director of public relations. LaRuffa decided to resign following their discussion.

"I didn't think I could serve her in a public relations role anymore because I disagreed so strongly with the direction that the office was going in," LaRuffa said.

Bishop said she didn't believe LaRuffa needed to resign at that point. She expected to meet with LaRuffa again Monday to discuss the issue.

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## Bush claims French decision will hurt alliance

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Bush said Monday the decision by France, Germany and Belgium to deny Turkey NATO protection against Iraq threatens to hurt the Western alliance. He also accused Iraq's Saddam Hussein of "trying to stall for time" by offering last-minute concessions.

"Saddam Hussein has to disarm. If he doesn't, we will disarm him," Bush said after a meeting with Australian Prime Minister John Howard, a staunch U.S. ally against Iraq.

The leaders met at the end of the day that brought several setbacks to Bush's diplomatic efforts. France, Germany and Russia sought more time for weapons inspectors, while French President Jacques Chirac said there is no justification for war at this time. France led efforts to prevent NATO from planning for Turkey's defense.

"Upset is not the proper word," Bush said when reporters asked for his views on France's diplomacy. "I am disappointed that France is willing to block NATO from helping a country like Turkey to prepare," he said.

Sitting with Howard in front of the Oval Office fireplace, Bush added, "I think it affects the alliance in a negative way

when you're not able to make a statement of mutual defense."

The president dismissed efforts by Saddam to avert war by allowing U-2 surveillance planes to fly above Iraq and to permit interviews of scientists.

"This is a man who is trying to stall for time," he said.

"The reason we need to fly U-2 flights is they're not disarming."

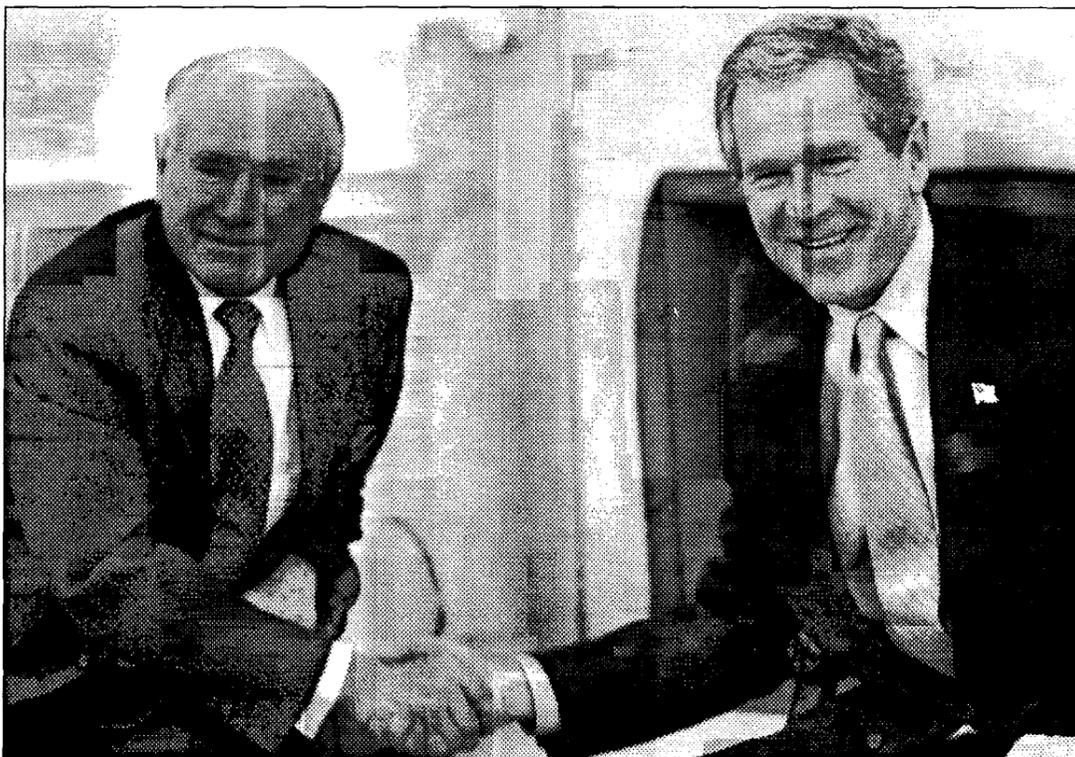
Without mentioning France or other like-minded nations by name, Bush noted that some have called for more U.N. inspectors in Iraq. He dismissed that assertion, saying "one or two" inspectors would be enough if Saddam was not hiding his weapons.

Iraq has repeatedly denied assertion that it has weapons of mass destruction.

The remarks were part of an aggressive White House campaign to try to sway world and public opinion against Saddam.

Earlier Monday in a speech to a convention of religious broadcasters in Nashville, Tenn., Bush denounced Saddam as the true enemy of Iraq's people. He said the Iraqi leader regards them as "human shields, entirely expendable when their suffering serves his purpose."

Much as his father, former President George H.W. Bush, did before the first war against Iraq in 1991, Bush portrayed Saddam as evil and a danger to his own people and the world.



President George W. Bush shakes hands with Australian Prime Minister John Howard during their meeting at the Oval Office Monday. Howard strongly agreed with Bush's belief that the decision to deny Turkey NATO protection will negatively impact the Western alliance.

Saddam, he said, was positioning his military forces within civilian populations to shield the military and then blame anti-Iraq coalition forces for civilian casualties in the event of war.

"Saddam Hussein has broken every promise to disarm. He

has shown complete contempt for the international community," Bush told the broadcasters.

Later, with Howard, Bush said Australia was a member of his "coalition of the willing," a term he usually uses to describe countries willing to

disarm Iraq even without U.N. approval. Bush said it was up to Howard to say how far Australia was willing to go.

The prime minister did not specifically commit troops to the Bush coalition, but said Saddam is a rogue leader who poses a grave threat.

## NASA finds computer, part of left wing among debris

Associated Press

SPACE CENTER

NASA said Monday it had found one of Columbia's computers "apparently in fairly good condition" and determined that a piece of broken wing was from the space shuttle's troubled left side.

Michael Kostelnik, a deputy associate administrator, said the general purpose computer was found Sunday in a debris field east of Fort Worth. It was being kept at the Johnson Space Center for analysis. "This was one of the red-tag items," he said.

Bill Readdy, NASA associate administrator, added: "This may give us some clues as to what actually occurred on the ship."

The wing fragment includes 2-foot piece

of carbon-composite panel, a dense material that covered the leading edge of the wing, and a 1 1/2-foot piece of the wing itself. Engineers are not yet certain where the piece fits, Kostelnik said.

It wasn't yet known whether the carbon panel or the silica glass-fiber thermal tiles on the wing had been burned through by the intense heat of re-entry or damaged in another way.

"That's something that the engineers would be looking for," Kostelnik said.

NASA said Friday that the piece was found near Fort Worth. On Monday, Kostelnik corrected that location to much farther east, "closer to Lufkin," 180 miles southeast of Fort Worth. The discrepancy was not explained.

This fragment could be extremely important, given that all the trouble

apparently began in the left wing during the final minutes of Columbia's flight Feb. 1. The shuttle broke up above Texas as it returned to Earth, killing all seven aboard.

After the wing fragment was found last week, Kostelnik called it "a significant recovery."

NASA said it also has found the cover of one of the two landing gear compartments, another potentially critical piece because a temperature surge inside the left wheel well was the first sign of trouble. But officials do not yet know whether it is from the right or left side of Columbia.

NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe said debris would be taken this week to Kennedy Air Force Base in Cape Canaveral, Fla., where it will be cataloged

and assembled.

Engineers will reassemble as much of the shuttle as they can in a hangar on the Kennedy grounds, and an independent board investigating the disaster will have offices in the hangar.

Kostelnik said engineers are still looking at high resolution photographs of Columbia taken by a powerful Air Force telescope camera, but said "no engineering judgment" has been made on the images.

One photo, taken a minute or two before Columbia broke up, is drawing special interest. A dark gray streak can be seen trailing the left wing, and the leading edge of that wing appears to be jagged. Kostelnik said resolution on the photos was no better than what was released to the public Friday.

### WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

#### S. Korea believes North has no nukes:

In sharp differences with Washington, South Korea said North Korea does not have nuclear weapons and the United States should open direct talks with Pyongyang on the crisis. South Korean Prime Minister Kim Suk-soo told parliament Monday there is no proof the North has produced nuclear weapons despite U.S. assertions that Pyongyang has one or two atomic bombs. "North Korea is believed to have extracted enough plutonium to make one or two bombs before 1994," Kim said. "Since there has been no confirmation that it actually has produced nuclear weapons, we believe that they do not have any." Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld said Sunday in Germany that most intelligence services know the North Koreans have "one or two nuclear weapons" and "they may have enough nuclear material to make an additional six to eight nuclear weapons" by May or June.

### NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

#### Islamic charity leader pleads guilty:

The head of a Muslim charity accused of funneling money to Osama bin Laden's terror network pleaded guilty Monday to illegally buying boots and uniforms for fighting forces in Bosnia and Chechnya. As part of the plea bargain, prosecutors dropped charges that Enaam Arnaout, of Chicago, aided bin Laden. But they insisted he committed the offense, and said they agreed to the plea bargain to secure a conviction and Arnaout's cooperation while sparing the government the expense of a trial. "We are prepared to prove that he did support al-Qaida when that issue is addressed at sentencing," Attorney General John Ashcroft said in Washington. Arnaout faces a maximum of 20 years; no sentencing date has been set. The case has been considered a major part of government efforts to choke off the flow of U.S. dollars to terrorists around the world.

#### Ridge: Alert is most serious since 9/11:

Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge said Monday the latest terrorism alert issued by the Bush administration represented "the most significant" such warning since the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks. "One of the reasons that we raised it is that because we believe the threat has substantially increased in the last couple of weeks," Ridge said on CBS's "The Early Show." On Friday, the administration increased the level of alert from yellow to orange, citing intelligence that suggested a growing threat from Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terrorist network. On the five-step alert scale, red is the highest, but no such terrorist warning level has yet been issued. Ridge and his deputies also advised various industries and local governments how to increase security in response to the threat. On Friday, Homeland Security officials recommended that hotels inspect all cars and that malls and offices prohibit delivery trucks from entering underground parking garages.

## Students respond to potential economics split

By NATASHA GRANT  
News Writer

Students across the economics major have differing opinions on whether or not the potential split in Notre Dame's economics department would be beneficial or disadvantageous, while others said they are choosing to reserve judgment until more information is available.

The economics department as a whole has not informed students of any imminent changes and sophomore major Stephanie Hill said that she would hold off on forming an opinion until more information became available.

"I don't think that enough has been said either way," she said.

Hill said that students should have some input, but even more importantly, the opinions of the faculty should also be considered.

"Professors should have some input as well," she said. "If they're against it, it will not go very well."

While Hill believes that the split and the name change would cause students to look first at the new Department of Economics before considering a major in Economics Thought and Policy, she said that the there would not be an even distribution between the two majors.

Junior Derrick Evans, who supports the split, said that he thinks the name change would be appropriate. He said that he does not believe that the change will deter students from continuing to major in economics, by whatever name it is called.

Evans said that although he does not know all that the split entails, he believes that it would be positive and give students a better framework for

getting their degree.

"I don't think that it will diminish the department," he said. "For the state that they are in and the faculty that they have, I think that the split would be beneficial."

While Evans said he believes that the final decision should rest with the department, he thinks that students should have some input as well.

Junior Eliot Poindexter, who is against the split, agreed that students should have a say in the final decision. Poindexter said he feels that the split would raise many concerns that are not easily resolvable.

"I think there's a need for both types of major of studies but the fact that the [Department of Economics Thought and Policy] will not be recognized is a concern of mine," he said.

Poindexter also voiced concerns about the distribution of funding and said that he was worried that both departments would not receive equal funding. He said he also worries about the University's reasons for pushing for the split and said he believes the University's main reason for making the change would be a boost in rankings.

Poindexter said that he does not believe that students initially came to Notre Dame because of the national ranking of its economics department.

Moreover, Poindexter is afraid that the split would set a precedent for more of its kind.

"If this could happen to the economic department, what's to stop the University from doing this to other departments?" said Poindexter.

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## Speaker highlights 3 civil rights leaders

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In celebration of Black History Month, Rachel Harding, the Executive Director for the Veterans of Hope Project "A Center for the Study of Religion and Democratic Renewal" spoke at Saint Mary's Monday.

The project Harding is directing is creating a video archive of interviews with people who have worked for 30 years or more in the Civil Rights Movement. Its mission is to support reconciliation and non-violence of indigenous and folk wisdom in today.

Harding's presentation at the College, entitled "Stories of Faith and Struggle: African American Women in the Southern Freedom Movement," focused on the civil rights movement of the 1960s in the South and the strength of the people

who faced segregation and violence. She showed several video segments highlighting Ruby Sales, Gwendolyn Simmons and Bernice Johnson Reagan.

"Until recently, the role of women in the movement has not been recognized. There were a great number of women that gave strength to the Southern Freedom Movement," Harding said.

Harding ended her talk by stating that racism still exists today. "We need to...be more inclusive and humane to have a more just society," she said.

Harding's talk was sponsored by the Center for Women's Inter-Cultural Leadership, the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Justice Education Department, as well as Alexis Brook de Vita, professor of English.

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## Panel discusses sexual orientation

By SHANNON NELLIGAN  
News Writer

The Saint Mary's community continued their partnership with the Catholic Common Ground Initiative Monday afternoon as both faculty, administration and students participated the conversation "Sexual Orientation: Questions and Concerns."

The Catholic Common Ground Initiative was founded to

decrease polarization between church leaders and parishioners that obstruct communication and community building discussions. The affiliation between Saint Mary's College and the Catholic Common Ground Initiative began in spring 2001.

The current discussion on sexual orientation provided a chance for the entire community to come together and discuss concerns about the Catholic response to sexual orientation. The dialogue also focused on how the College approaches the subject.

According to Kathleen Dolphin, director for the Center of Spirituality and chief facilitator of the conversation, the discussion did not shy away from hard questions.

"The purpose [was] to gather together to listen and initiate civil adult conversation," said Dolphin.

To begin the forum, Dolphin read a quote from the current version of the Catholic Catechism so participants were aware of the institutional Catholic perspective on sexuality. She then opened the podium to the remaining five conversation starters to present their perspectives on sexual orientation.

Carolyn Call, professor of psychology, commented the difference between her Protestant background and applauded the Catholic community for possessing the ability to discuss a difficult subject.

"It is remarkable that we have such a large group of people here to discuss sexual orientation," said Call.

Call elaborated on what is known as the traditionally conservative and liberal views on homosexuality. She lamented the current use of the terms conservative and liberal that currently differentiate these views.

Through her research, she discovered that those who possess conservative views on homosex-

uality often point to the negative mention of the act in both the Old and New Testaments. On the other hand, the liberal focus tends to understand sexual orien-

tation as a "No choice or denial of identity."

"For liberal thinkers, sexual orientation represents human identity and [their thought process] tends to be on the issue of interpretation and is not on the authority of scripture," she said. "The emphasis is not on what Paul wrote but on how Jesus reacted to people."

Astrid Henry, professor of women's studies, also spoke of the issue of sexual orientation. She primarily focused on civil rights and laws formulated for the homosexual community.

She encouraged those who are interested in receiving more information on the subject to seek information from the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force.

A fresh perspective on sexual orientation was given by current Saint Mary's student Jessie Genter. She reflected on her time at the College as a non-Catholic and daughter of two lesbian feminists.

"I have had both I good and bad time," said Genter. "The faculty is unbelievably supportive and most students see the issue as no big deal."

She also expressed grief that there is little focus on lesbians and bi-sexuals on campus, especially after the disablement of the Feminist Collective on cam-

pus. "No one focuses on the issue and it leads to a lot of personal reflection," Genter said.

The perspective of being a lesbian professor was also represented at the discussion as Mary Porter, professor of mathematics, reflected on her experience at the college.

She described her hesitation about coming out until she received tenure at the college because of fear of disciplinary action or the chance of losing her job.

"I used think, 'What will people do if I come out?'" said Porter. "Now I think, 'If people don't like it then it is that person's problem.'"

Porter also addressed the topic of Catholic teaching on sexual orientation and outlined the discrepancies of Catholic social teaching in the workplace.

According to Porter, she essentially receives less pay than her married heterosexual counterparts because they have a benefit package that covers their spouse even though they may be breaking Catholic teachings on sexuality by using birth control. She pointed out that no one is an authority on her sex life and can tell whether she is breaking Catholic social tradition.

The final speaker, Rebecca Stoddart, Psychology professor, attempted to open discussion on the nature versus nurture debate when it comes to sexual orientation. She pointed to several studies that supported both ends of the debate.

"In the end, like many researchers of this subject one can conclude that the answer is both," Stoddart said.

Immediately following the presentations of the conversation starters, the participants and audience broke up into six small groups to respectively listen and discuss what was just presented.

Dolphin requested that no questions be posed to the participants of the small group discussion in order to foster a more honest and open discussion.

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## SMC election today

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Saint Mary's Residence Hall Association and Student Diversity Board president and vice-president elections will be held today. Only one ticket is running for each organization.

The candidates for RHA president and vice president are sophomore Shay Jolly and running mate junior Jackie Zins. The sole ticket seeking the position of SDB president and vice president are junior Annmarie Marquez and sophomore Veronica Saavedra. Students can vote online today until midnight by logging onto the student registration program PRISM.

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## IN BRIEF

### Venezuela continues dollar ban

Venezuela's ban on dollar sales will continue until at least the end of the month to give President Hugo Chavez's government time to implement strict controls on foreign exchange, a central bank director said Monday.

The government needs until at least the end of February to set up the agency in charge of enforcing the new controls, Domingo Maza told state news agency Venpres. In the meantime, citizens cannot buy any foreign currencies.

Chavez imposed the freeze Jan. 21 amid an unsuccessful two-month strike seeking his ouster. The strike ended last week in all industries except oil, which provides half of government income and 70 percent of export revenues.

### Paperwork delays Fastow case

A federal judge granted a 90-day delay Monday in the case of former Enron Corp. chief financial officer Andrew Fastow because of the huge amount of paperwork that the government's prosecution of the case has generated.

Fastow was not present when U.S. District Judge Kenneth Hoyt granted the delay in his case, which is not yet set for trial, to allow attorneys on both sides to better manage the extensive documentation.

"There's no good way to make it simple," Assistant U.S. Attorney Andrew Weissmann said. The sides agreed to establish a discovery room so all attorneys could have ready access to the paperwork, which Weissmann said numbers in the "hundreds of thousands of pages."

Fastow, 41, was indicted Oct. 31 on 78 counts of fraud, money laundering, conspiracy, obstruction of justice and other charges related to Enron's fall in 2001. He pleaded innocent and is free on \$5 million bond.

# Energy costs soar dangerously

## ◆ Cold, threat of war cause market spikes

Associated Press

WASHINGTON  
Prices for heating oil and gasoline are soaring and likely to keep rising as energy markets cope with a colder than expected winter, the loss of Venezuela's production and worries about war with Iraq.

A deep freeze in the Northeast caused heating oil prices to spike by 20 percent last week. The Energy Department, citing low stocks — as well as higher natural gas prices — said heating bills could be 50 percent higher this year than last winter.

Consumers are getting hit at the gasoline pumps as well.

Nationally, gasoline prices increased for the ninth straight week to an average of \$1.61 a gallon for regular grades, 51 cents a gallon higher than a year ago, according to the federal Energy Information Administration. Many parts of the country have seen price hikes of 20 cents a gallon in recent weeks.

Crude oil on Friday moved above \$35 a barrel, the highest it has been in two years. Government analysts forecast that prices probably will stay above \$30 a barrel this year, even if a war is avoided in Iraq.

The price of light sweet crude was \$34.78 per barrel at noon Monday on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Although OPEC oil producers have boosted production, they have yet to make up the oil lost to political unrest in Venezuela. Crude inventories fell "well below the normal range" at the end of January, said the Energy Department. With high crude prices and some shortages, refiners scaled



REUTERS

Senator Joseph Lieberman speaks at a press conference asking President Bush to seek new "independent" energy sources instead of relying on the oil market.

back operations, choosing to perform normal maintenance a few weeks early, some analysts said.

That has caused suppliers to draw heavily on heating oil stockpiles, causing prices to jump. On Friday, wholesale heating oil prices on the New York exchange soared to \$1.20 a gallon, a jump of 30 cents from a week earlier.

After a New Hampshire terminal couldn't get heating oil for four days, Jack Sullivan, chief executive of the New England Fuel Institute, warned in a letter to the Energy Department of "a supply and pricing crisis" if more heating oil isn't made available.

"The demand is extraordinary. It's absolutely horrific," Sullivan said in an interview Monday. His

organization, which represents 1,000 heating oil companies, urged the government to release stocks from an emergency heating oil stockpile. No decision on such a release has been made.

Economists say that the supply crunch and price spiral stem from a variety of factors, especially unease over war with Iraq and the possibility that Kuwaiti and Saudi production could be disrupted.

"The dramatic price rise we've seen in the last couple of weeks is primarily associated with fear about war in Iraq, the disruption of oil exports from Venezuela and extremely cold weather," said Kyle Cooper, an energy analyst for Smith Barney.

Heating oil stocks in the

Northeast are 35 percent below the 10-year average, according to the American Petroleum Institute. Gasoline stocks, while still at comfortable levels, fell 3.4 million barrels last week, the government said.

If the cold winter persists, refiners will need to keep up the heating oil supply and postpone their push to making gasoline. If so, gasoline inventories may not recover, leading to higher gas prices this spring and summer, analysts said.

"Oil markets now are as tight as a fully stretched rubber band," said an Energy Department analysis. "Whether the rubber band breaks or not will largely depend on the pace of demand in coming weeks."

# Johnson & Johnson acquires Scios

Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J.  
Johnson & Johnson, the health-care giant the public knows for its baby, skin and wound-care products, is boosting its biotech might with the acquisition of Scios Inc. in a \$2.4 billion cash-for-stock deal announced Monday.

Buying Scios, a 22-year-old biotech company with one product on the market, gives J&J a new, likely lucrative heart drug and a possible future blockbuster, while Sunnyvale, Calif.-based Scios should get sales and research support that will help it grow quickly, analysts say.

The deal, expected to close in this year's second quarter, would be the third acquisition of a biotechnology company in less than four years for the New Brunswick-based maker of No More Tears shampoo and Band-Aids.

It would give Johnson & Johnson biotech sales approaching those of industry leader Amgen Inc. of Thousand Oaks, Calif., about \$5 billion last year, said Glenn Reicin, hospital supply analyst at Morgan Stanley.

"Psychologically, I think that's important to them," Reicin said, adding it confirms J&J still prefers acquiring much-smaller companies and giving them sales and research

resources to help them grow quickly, rather than buying "large, ugly companies where they have to grow revenues by cost-cutting."

Under terms of the acquisition agreement, Scios shareholders will receive \$45 for each outstanding Scios share — a 30 percent premium over the trading level Thursday, before talks between the two companies were reported. Scios will retain its name, management team and other resources.

Reicin estimated J&J's huge marketing staff could boost sales from around \$100 million last year to \$600 million by promoting it in more hospitals and particularly in emergency rooms.

# Trustees

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these resolutions. The reality is this is a strong report. The fact that the resolutions were passed shows the strength and realistic nature of it."

Bishop said she made an executive decision to write the report as she saw fit. Part of the report's purpose, she said, was to bridge the rift between students and administrators.

Since last spring, when school officials announced the dance ban along with the in-dorm prohibition of liquor and definitive tailgating regulations, students have resided on one side of the student-life policy debate and administrators have remained on the other. Bishop said her administration has stayed on the side of students, fighting for their interests. "But after a year, I don't think student government can afford to be in that position constantly opposed to administrators," she said. "With students on one end and the administration on the other, no progress is going to be made."

She acknowledged, too, that a gulf shouldn't exist between student leaders and their constituents. Her job, then, is to balance student interests with her knowledge of how officials make campus policy, she said.

And that's what the report did, Bishop said.

"The first part was honest, letting the trustees know about the reaction to the new dance policy and that students would sincerely like them back in dorms. I wanted to go in there and show the negative views about the current dances," she said. "But I wanted to take a leadership approach and say that students will be adults about this and that if we value these traditions, we'll direct our own energy into making the dances the best they can be with the new policy."

"Students can still complain — and they should — if they're not happy next year," Bishop added.

She said one trustee told her, "I think it's good that students are showing their passion for something, but they must be mature about their protests."

While her report didn't propose allowing in-dorm dances, Bishop said it was never her intention to go to Florida and not talk about the possibility of that idea. If the trustees hadn't brought it up first, she would have confronted them about the issue, she said. "I wasn't going to settle for them not talking about [restoring] the dances," she said.

Bishop believed many people worried that she would shy away from even discussing the feasibility of returning dances to residence halls. But her decision to not make that the focus of her presentation proved beneficial, she said. "I've never received so much criticism as I have in the past week," Bishop said. "Still, I think giving my report that day confirmed that I did the right thing. I don't feel that I compromised. I made the right decision."

### Candidates respond to report

The tickets that made Thursday's runoff election, Charlie Ebersol-Lauren Meagher and Pat Hallahan-Jeremy Lao, reacted differently to the trustees report.

Ebersol and Meagher said the Board's proposal matched their Total Dance Resources platform idea. Ebersol said, "What is most important is, because we have TDR in place in our campaign, it is not something we have to scramble to create."

Hallahan and Lao said the results did not deter their campaign pledge to work with administrators to bring back in-hall dances. "It is a good, positive response to what Libby asked for, but we haven't asked the question of what students want and that is 'Can we have these dances back in the dorm?'"

—Meghanne Downes

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# Onion comic speaks at festival

By KEVIN ALLEN  
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Throughout the 36 years of the annual Sophomore Literary Festival, a distinguished list of satirists with their wit and anecdotes. Monday night another popular and widely-read satirist joined writers like Joseph Heller and Kurt Vonnegut on that list. But unlike timeless names like Heller and Vonnegut, the latest addition to that list is better-known by his pseudonyms.

"The Legendary" Joe Garden, writer and editor for the immensely popular weekly spoof newspaper The Onion, took the stage at Washington Hall last night and entertained an enthusiastic crowd of approximately 150 for over an hour. "I feel very privileged to be speaking here in Indiana. Indiana is the only state in the Union to stand strong against the tyranny of daylight savings," joked Garden in his opening remarks. Garden evoked a steady stream of laughter from the receptive crowd for his 80 minutes on stage.

With thinning hair that appeared to defy gravity, the tall, energetic Garden, creator of columns written under the guises of Jim "The Cruise" Anchorer and Jackie Harvey, appeared as the quintessential stereotype of a quirky comic writer.

Garden appeared as comfortable on stage as he presumably is writing at a computer. Dressed casually and sporting a Heileman's Old Style Beer T-shirt to pay homage to his home state, Wisconsin, Garden interacted comfortably and informally with the audience of devoted Onion fans. He consistently inspired crowd participation, the most

memorable instance being at the end of the lecture when he recited a hilarious rendition of Sir Mix-A-Lot's "Baby Got Back."

Garden demonstrated that "journalism" does not have to be serious to get a point across and that laughter is as important as ever in today's particularly serious world of news.

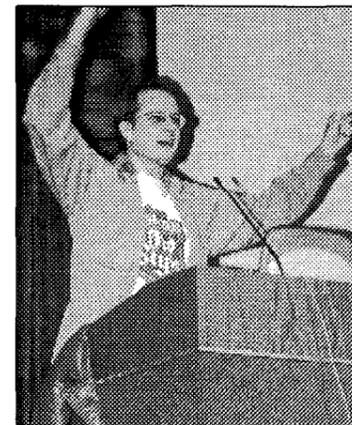
To describe The Onion, Garden said, "We're sort of like USA Today with fart jokes."

"We target mostly They Might Be Giants fans, Dungeons and Dragons players, former and current, and people who dress like the Knights Who Say 'Ni' on Halloween," said Garden sarcastically. "Basically anyone who's under 45 and smart." Amid the laughter, Garden also covered several serious and informative topics. He explained the process of production and brainstorming at The Onion and illustrated the zany, yet relaxed atmosphere of The Onion office, where goofing around, frantic deadlines and Garden's tendency to be naked are nothing out of the ordinary.

Garden also discussed the art of walking the fine line between satire and offense, with specific reference to The Onion's tasteful coverage of September 11. But Garden clarified that the main reason for not running a story is almost always because it is not funny, not because it is offensive.

While Garden was a student at the University of Wisconsin at Madison, where The Onion was founded in 1988, several free weekly magazines and newspapers competed for his attention. Garden says The Onion — even in its primitive stages — always entertained him.

"[The Onion] was really not that good when it started out," he admitted, even though he said



LISA VELTE/The Observer

**Joe Garden hails Indiana's defiance of Daylight Savings Time in his lecture at Washington Hall on Monday.**

he was a fan of the publication from the very beginning.

Garden, who lists Steve Martin, Monty Python and The Simpsons among his strongest influences, was working at a liquor store in Madison when he first drew the attention of then Onion editor Dan Vebber. One of Garden's duties at the store was to make signs, which he used as a medium to deliver some of his own jokes. "I started out making signs with big prices and little jokes on them. Then I started making signs with little prices and big jokes on them," recalled Garden.

After seeing the signs, Vebber asked Garden to submit some story ideas.

A considerable portion of Garden's lecture was spent fielding questions from the audience, and he attended a reception and book-signing in the basement of Zahm Hall after his lecture.

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# Admission

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student visitors was a positive sign that more students were interested in Notre Dame and would likely apply.

As seasons changed, the Notre Dame appeal was also noted by recruiters who traveled to other sites, Mundy said.

"We sensed in the fall that some of our typical events were more heavily attended than in the past," he said.

During this time, the early action applications rose 30 percent to 3,100. Just under 1,400 applicants in the early action pool were accepted.

But another critical fall factor was the Notre Dame football team's Return to Glory campaign under the leadership of first-year coach Tyrone Willingham.

"You throw in a great football season and an exciting fall with a new coach who's captured the imaginations of a lot of Notre Dame followers. ... I think you can put a lot of those things together and come up with reasons for [the increase]," Mundy said.

Accepted in the early action pool and visiting the campus Monday, Kelly

Wilkinson of Arlington, Texas, said she applied because of the alumni pride and the school's academic reputation.

"It seemed like there are a lot more people who actually are interested," Wilkinson said, adding with a smile that the football team's success "is a little bitty factor."

In addition to campus visits and football success, some hold that financial aid is another strong pull.

By promising to meet the financial needs of every student, Notre Dame has appealed to many students and their families, said Kathy Utz, guidance counselor at South Bend's St. Joseph High School, which draws many local students each year.

"It looks like the school is offering more financial aid to students and I think that certainly makes a big difference with the economy," Utz said, adding that the school's annual financial aid meeting for parents was more heavily attended this year.

Although St. Joseph had a slight increase in the number of students who applied to Notre Dame this year — 38, up from last year's 30 — she said, the percent increase is minimal since this year's class is slightly larger.

She noted that the increase in applications could be a larger trend. Indiana colleges such as Ball State University and Indiana University-Bloomington sent her notices that they have received more applications this year than before and that students should send in their applications swiftly.

Some believe the increase in college applications is linked to the weak economy.

"When the economy is tight, there's more of an awareness of the importance of education," said Jim Malloy, associate director of student financial services.

The current economic environment differs from just a decade ago when more Notre Dame families and students had more to contribute financially, Malloy said. However, even as the endowment has dropped, the University has kept financial aid as a priority.

"The ability of the school to say we meet the full financial aid of each student is a very solid foundation," Malloy said.

Most students do not receive their financial aid packages until March or April, but in the meantime, the admissions office review applications with the goal of sending decisions by the first week of April.

"Everything gets turned up a notch," Mundy said.

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**Jim Malloy**  
Student Financial Services

# Election

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Matt Padberg-David Rail received 19.3, 16.2, 9.7, 3.2 and .5 percent of the vote, respectively.

Matkowski endorsed Hallahan-Lao, saying, "Their personalities and experiences fit what I would like to endorse." Muto said he had not yet made a decision who he would endorse.

Bott said he and Kirsh are not choosing to endorse either of the remaining tickets.

"In some ways we had similar platform ideas but for the most part, our general philosophy differed from both of theirs," Bott said.

McCarthy said he and Gagnet, in the spirit of their campaign, intend to endorse themselves again for next year.

Updike wished both candidates good luck, adding, "Whichever ticket wins the election, both of them are pretty sexy."

Sticking with their single-issue campaign, Padberg said whoever could get more Flex points would garner his campaign's support.

This was the first year students were able to vote online for student government elections. Danielle Ledesma, judicial board council, said there were no reported problems with the voting.

She said there is generally a 40 percent voter turnout and attributed the introduction of online voting to this year's increased turnout of approximately 50 percent.

"I definitely heard a lot of good feedback from students," she said.

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## I spy ... Russia

My favorite object at the recently opened International Spy Museum in Washington, D.C., is a small lipstick-shaped pistol. No wonder the Cold War spawned suspicion and paranoia. The attractive woman next to you could reach for her cosmetic case, twirl the tube and bam! Death in KGB Red.



Martha Merritt

We live in an age when spying is glorified and wars are hot, none more so than the pending conflict with Iraq. Given that Russia has shifted from a Cold War foe to one of the strongest allies of the United States in the war on terrorism, her continued opposition to the war on Iraq is worth pondering.

I would like to consider here some reasons for Russian resistance before returning to the notion of spying and its relevance for our country's foreign policy. Russia offers perspective on the price of using allies as reluctant supporters when we have escalated into war, rather than as participants in decision-making.

Russian opposition to the war on Iraq falls into several categories. The first concerns Russia's traditional ties to the region and investment in Iraq's infrastructure. Put simplistically, Iraq owes Russia billions, and some U.S. government officials assume that this debt is Russia's chief concern. I am sure that the flurry of communication among countries in the last weeks included assurances to Russia that Iraq's debts would be honored in the event of an invasion. Yet this has not been persuasion enough.

The Russian media have almost universally denounced the U.S. claim that a war against Iraq would be a "preemptive strike." Newspapers in Russia occupy a

wide ideological spectrum, while television an even narrower range. Though under President Vladimir Putin the ability of especially the television media to criticize has been curtailed in significant ways, coverage of foreign policy is not generally one of them. Editorial comment has nevertheless been universal in arguing that preemption — averting a pending attack — fails to characterize Iraqi mobilization.

With a global war on terrorism absorbing many resources, Russian critics wonder about the need to expand the front and express concern about North Korean responses. The more paranoid, possibly lipstick-toting among them believe that the U.S. campaign against Iraq is just one more step in a post-Cold War effort to assert American global domination.

Finally, President Putin has built a pro-western foreign policy around the desire for better trade relations and more foreign investment for the Russian economy. Putin has an especially strong European focus. He sees Germany as one of Russia's most important partners. Russia is in the painful position of having to choose between alliance with the dominant powers of Europe on the war or alliance with the lone superpower. So far, Putin has chosen the former.

The current mania for spying in the U.S. (in the museum's interactive exhibits, films, even Barbie dolls) neglects the risk of looking through a pre-determined filter of analysis: We are watching this factory because we think weapons are manufactured here, we are watching this person because we think (s)he is suspicious.

The danger has always been that setting our gaze with intent shapes perception and interpretation. What the president considers irrefutable evidence of Saddam Hussein's support for al-Qaeda, for example, has not stood up in the court of international opinion. The CIA recently

offered an assessment to Congress that Iraq does not present a compelling security risk at present. Could this independence be sustained during wartime?

Wars privilege the intelligence community, but they also shackle the range of acceptable interpretation. This is one reason why long wars are bad for government and state-society relations. Russia's civil wars with Chechnya (1994-96 and 1999-present) offer a textbook case of the expansion of state secrecy and the sacrifice of individual lives — be they soldiers, victims of soldiers or audience members in a theater in Moscow — for something defined, with less accountability, as the public good.

We move closer to war with the support of staunch but doubting allies, such as Great Britain and Australia, and staunchly grateful allies, such as the countries of eastern Europe. Any military effort by the United States is a chance for friendly countries to demonstrate their loyalty and to reap the rewards of doing so, in addition to gaining significance as international players.

Given what appears to be a long-standing personal determination on the part of President Bush to wage war on Iraq, most countries are now deliberating whether they should stand in front of an accelerating train or jump on. Russia quietly presses for a continuation of diplomatic efforts.

If Russia does end up supporting the war on Iraq, it will happen because the United States was unstoppable, not because the U.S. has a monopoly on wisdom. And therein lies one difference between foregone conclusion and the ongoing struggle to see clearly.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Don't stand for pro-choice funding

A Catholic College is not an oxymoron — but it is just that, Catholic. So what happens when students at a Catholic college raise questions about Church dogma? Well, apparently we give said students a paid vacation to Washington, D.C. to participate in a rally opposing a tenet of Catholicism.

Of course, this is all reconciled in the spirit of achieving educational goals. After all, the purpose of a college is to promote free thinking at the expense of everything else. Plus we all know there is no better way to receive unbiased information about abortion than to attend an ardent pro-choice rally. It's as logical as sending an envoy of students to Biloxi to attend a Ku Klux Klan Rally to learn about racism — purely educational. To enrich their experience we could even pay for their white hoods and rent them some horses. Sure, it would be in plain violation of everything we stand for as a faith-based community, but it's not espousal, it's just exposure. These students may not be racists at all — they may be human rights activists, they may be neo-nazis or they might be undecided on the issue. What's important is that the University pays for them to go to Mississippi and protest racial equality. As long as they're reflective when they return, it should be condoned.

To those of you not well-versed in sarcasm, I do not agree with Saint Mary's use of school funds to send students to a pro-choice

rally. The first responsibility of any Catholic institution is to stand as a moral compass, displaying for all who care to look the views of the Roman Catholic Church. As an institution of higher learning, Saint Mary's has the obligation to allow students to think independently, hold, and even vocalize their beliefs. This obligation does not extend to payment for these exploits. When Saint Mary's allocates funds for this trip, it becomes espousal, not exposure, and this is blatant hypocrisy. Therefore, I ask my fellow Catholics on campus to join me in letting the alms basket pass unfilled at Mass this weekend. I understand that these collections are used for noble purposes — providing shelter to the homeless and promoting other social action programs, but if funds are available to throw fuel into the pro-choice fire, I'm sure the Brothers of the Holy Cross can cough up one week's tithe to cover the loss. Catholics who oppose abortion in any of its forms should know that if an institution of your Church supports a pro-choice cause, then you are supporting it as well. Don't stand for it.

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*"War is too important a matter to be left to the military."*

**Georges Clemenceau**  
French statesman

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## Bengal Bouts represent Notre Dame at its best

Notre Dame students are supposed to be smart. Right? So why have 140 of them signed up for the Bengal Bouts? They do endless sit-ups, push-ups, running and hurting.

Additionally, they subject themselves to the controlled violence of sparring which can give them a new facial configuration. As a "reward," they are allowed to climb into a ring to run the risk of embarrassment, if not unconsciousness, before thousands of people.

Those young men are not certifiably nuts. They do it for a reason. In 2002 they raised over \$70,000 for the Holy Cross missions in Bangladesh, where the per capita income is \$285 a year, and a family of five among the ultra poor has to survive for almost half a year on the equivalent price of two Notre Dame football tickets.

The Bengal Bouts have run without interruption since 1931. "Bengal Bouts," under Brother Alan McNeill, were held in 1920 and succeeding years. They were the predecessors of the Bengal Bouts which Dominic J. "Nappy" Napolitano established in 1931 and directed for the next five decades. "Every now and then," wrote Chicago sportswriter Bill Gleason, "an event reminds us of how campus sports were run in the time before athletic directors and huge coaching staffs. The Bengal Bouts are as purely amateur as a sport can be."

"The Bengal Bouts," wrote Father David E. Schlaver, director of Holy

Cross Missions, "enable many to earn a living, provide medical care and housing for their families, and educate their children for life — and survival — in a difficult society." The population of Bangladesh is 88.3 percent Muslim and 10.5 percent Hindu.

"I have seen," wrote Father Joseph Sidera, "men and women dedicating themselves to the very poorest of the poor in the name of the Lord and his church under the threat of political and religious persecution and with the threat of imminent disease — malaria, dengue fever, ebola, cholera and many others. For some this is their native land, for others it is their adopted home. Among those who have made this choice to go there, one of the few characteristics that differentiate them from the local religious is a need to know the Notre Dame football scores."

The members of the Boxing Club themselves run the Bengal Bouts under the direction of Rich O'Leary of Rec Sports. The captains this year are Clay Cossé, Shawn Newburg, John

Lynk, Andrew Harmon, Tom Pierce, Pat Dillon, Tommy Demko and Tony Hollowell. The captains run the practices, under the guidance of the head coaches — Chicago attorney Terry

Johnson and Columbus developer Tom Suddes. Both

are former Bengals champs who volunteer their time, as do the assistant coaches, including Pat Farrell, the University pilot, Judge Rolan Chamblee, a four-time Bengals champ, former captain Ryan Rans '98, Chip Farrell '98, and Mark Criniti '01 and Sweet C. Robinson.

The head trainer, Jack Mooney, a living icon who admits to 89 years at least, was literally Knute Rockne's paper boy and was smuggled by Rockne onto the sidelines at home games. Jack is the main man, the one the former boxers ask for first when they come back. His assistant trainer, Jack Zimmerman, is not only a former professional boxer, as is Jack Mooney, but also a poet and professional accordionist.

The primary emphasis of the pro-

gram is on safety, with EMTs present at all sparring, under the supervision of University physician, Dr. James Moriarty.

The boxers sell ads and tickets and they pay for their own equipment with the profit going to the missions. The contributions from the Bouts to the missions have recently grown five-fold. This is largely due to the acumen of the business managers who now are Laura Anderson and Mark Reynolds and the promotional efforts of the Women's Boxing Club under co-presidents Laura Young and Shelley Skiba.

So, apart from latent masochism, why do these allegedly smart guys enlist for this punishing regime?

"Any member," said coach and former captain Ryan Rans, "will tell you that participation in this program is the most memorable experience of his Notre Dame career."

As captain Shawn Newburg put it, "It's unique. We get in great shape, we make real friends and we can make a life-saving difference for people who need it halfway around the world."

Members of the Notre Dame community are encouraged to visit the practices every weekday from 4 to 6 p.m. in the JACC Boxing Room. The Bengal Bouts will be held at the JACC on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 6 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 23 at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. and the finals on Sunday, March 2 at 2 p.m. Please support this effort which exemplifies the spirit of Notre Dame at its best.

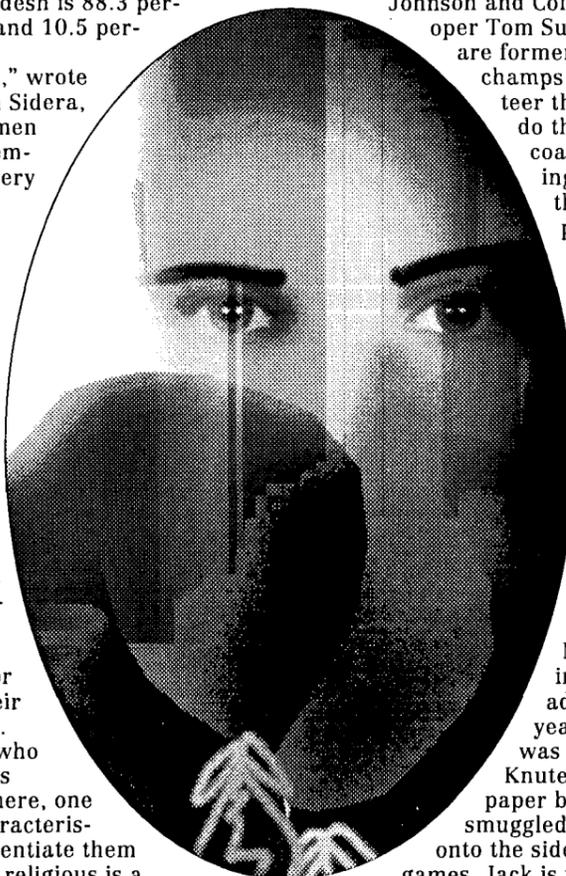
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Charles Rice

*Right or Wrong?*



## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Economics department needs reform

As news of the proposal to divide the current economics department into two new departments has become public, genuine concerns from students are being expressed. Because the current problems the University seeks to rectify have persisted for many years, it is understandably difficult for students and most faculty to be aware of all the specific issues and past attempted solutions.

At its core, the fundamental problems have been the long-standing and openly hostile treatment of economists whose teaching and research has been well-received by mainstream economists and the continuing attempt to portray mainstream economists as lacking the proper interest, perspectives, philosophies and techniques to address the important social justice issues the University consistently expresses the resolve to tackle.

The first problem is more than simply unfortunate because the practice has denied many classes of undergraduates an accurate and honest presentation of the strengths and weaknesses both of what many call "neoclassical economics" and "heterodox economics." Rather than supporting and objectively presenting diverse points of view in and out of the classroom, the tradition of the economics department has instead been to vilify those who have attempted to apply well-vetted mainstream techniques to the economic problems so important to all of us.

The second problem of portraying mainstream economists as uninterested or undedicated to problems of social justice is equally disturbing because it is blatantly false. Take a look, for instance, at the most prestigious economics journal, *The American Economic Review*. In 2002 issues alone, you will find sophisticated analyses of racial profiling, worldwide

income inequality, childhood health, private schooling vouchers, disability programs, the Head Start program and the electricity crisis in California. Look more broadly and you will find papers focusing on the effects of international trade agreements, minimum wage laws, and monetary conduct and policy as well as on incentive contracting and imperfect competition among businesses.

All of these are issues that speak directly to the human condition, especially in our modern, globally interconnected society. These are also very complex issues that require sophisticated theories and empirical methods to help us distinguish policies that only superficially address symptoms from policies that truly have a chance to improve social conditions.

What then should the University do to improve the quality of the economics scholarship and curriculum? Perhaps extra faculty lines and resources would help. It's been done. Until Professor Jensen was hired as department chair, the department was unable to recruit high quality candidates.

Perhaps the faculty in the department can be encouraged to work together. Tried that too. The faculty who created and perpetuated the above problems have refused to cooperate. Not only that, but the department's external reputation among mainstream economists is very poor. There are a number of very prominent economists who have expressed a keen interest in coming to Notre Dame (including some Domers) and yet will not consider an offer as long as the unproductive and nasty politicization of the department, created many years ago, continues.

But why should students care? What if many students like the economic training currently available? These questions deserve two responses.

First, the beauty of the current proposal is that it allows both groups of economists to credibly co-exist. There is nothing in the current proposal that precludes both departments from offering courses that would count towards an economics major. Students like Noah Amstadter are fortunate to have the opportunity to take the sort of classes Professor Warlick teaches. At Notre Dame, students should be equally fortunate to have the opportunity to take insightful courses from prominent mainstream economists as well.

My second response begins with a question. What attracted you to Notre Dame? The most recent U.S. News and World Report review of universities ranks Notre Dame 18th. My guess is that for many students this and similar rankings provide a signal of both the quality of instruction and the prestige of holding a Notre Dame degree. Indeed, it is an indication of the educational opportunities available to undergraduate and graduate students during their years of study and of the future opportunities a Notre Dame degree creates after graduation.

The National Research Council (NRC) ranks departments in many disciplines every ten years. In 1993, the economics department ranking was 81 out of 108. Numerous other rankings convey a similar message. For a university with the reputation and aspirations of Notre Dame, the Department of Economics is an embarrassment and efforts by a few to improve the department have been rebuffed by the majority. So what attracted you to Notre Dame: 18 or 81?

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## ALBUM REVIEW

## Interpol inters pretense, exhumes beauty

By BJ STREW  
Scene Music Critic

If Allen Ginsberg was still here today, he'd probably characterize the current state of music with the following quote, "I saw the best bands of my generation destroyed by business. Some give up, some sell out, but some escape corporate claws." Somehow, out of the sinister TRL-Dave Matthews-John Mayer-etc. hegemonic vacuum, good bands continue to fight the good fight and good music continues to crawl out of the MTVoid.

And another just crawled out. Fans of Joy Division and The Smiths, rejoice! Ditto for The Psychedelic Furs, ditto for The Cure — even The Pixies. Though rectors or law students might recall them from their salad days, this music precedes the tastes

of your average undergrads, but it's not inaccessible to them. Interpol exhibits its debt to the post-punk forebears in their debut *Turn on the Bright Lights* while managing to preserve its own unique sound.

This balancing act boasts a set of ex-NYU students, clad in Exeter-meets-Goth garb, all of whom shared dorms or time abroad or classes and, presumably, a passion for Joy Division. A stroke of luck brought them together, but they don't owe their success to chance. Interpol sweated to get here, unlike their local contemporaries, the "garage revival" inventions of impetuous A&R marketing machinery. Not until they cut their teeth in Europe did the Matador brass sign them.

Matador didn't mind that, by the band's own admission, the song titles on *Turn on the Bright Lights* are pretty arbitrary and insignificant, maybe even a little absurdist. As any listener quickly learns, it is the songs themselves that matter. These lyrics brim over with authentic wit and emotion, not

the overweening bromides that seem all the rage today. And Paul Banks' vocals, channeling John Cale and Ian Curtis, lend them a patina of melancholy that makes the clever verses all the more poignant.

This patina coats every track and blends flawlessly with lilting guitar work and serrated minor-chord melodies. Kicking off with "Untitled," a lone guitar trembles and echoes for a minute before the drums thump and the bass rolls, and finally, vocals join with brooding, plaintive energy. Reprised from a recent three-song EP, "PDA" and "NYC" share more than three-letter titles: with their abstruse lyrics and understated riffs, throwbacks to both The Pixies and The Smiths, they are arguably the standouts here.

Topping it off, the last track, "Leif Erikson," closes with laconic lyrics sailing alongside relentless, deliberate percussion. By the end, *Turn on the Bright Lights* has proved itself an astonishing Gestalt that's repetitive without being monotonous. Its elegiac tenor lingers long after listening, as its sparse beauty avoids the lyrical paucity of "math rock."



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Out of New York City, Interpol provides a refreshing, post-punk sound on the stale music scene with their debut album *Turn on the Bright Lights*.

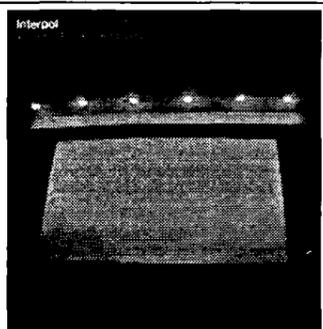
Interpol's music might be described as volatile languor; it is messianic post-punk wizardry sans Strokes-style "garage revival" pretense, with the concomitant denim, sullen air and impeccably tousled hairdos. *Turn on the Bright Lights* inaugurates a band undeniably worthy of its spiraling publicity, one that should survive and flourish well beyond the media's brief love affair. Believe the hype: the New York music scene is alive, Interpol is here and the emotion is real.

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## Turn on the Bright Lights

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## ALBUM REVIEW

## Gettin' rootsy with the Roots

By JULIE BENDER  
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For those who believe that the phrase "intelligent rap" is an oxymoron, one listen to the Roots latest album, *Phrenology*, is the antidote needed for an attitude change. With their fifth studio album, a follow-up to 1999's *Things Fall Apart*, the Roots augment their repertoire with thought provoking, funk- and jazz-filled rhythms. This six-piece group stands apart from other hip hop groups of the day by using exactly what their name signifies: raw, earthy, "rootsy" beats and instrumentation. Unlike the other hip-hop acts that contaminate top 40 stations, the Roots don't rely on a deejay, and with few exceptions, don't sample the work of other artists in their music.

A phrenological study of this album proves to be quite worthwhile. Phrenology is defined by the Merriam-Webster

Dictionary as "the study of the conformation of the skull based on the belief that it is indicative of mental faculties and character." Digging deep into the levels of intrigue that the fall from the speakers, the listener can actually feel the entrenched rhythms and grooves that underlie every track and thus characterize the album.

The album opens with a brief, spoken passage by Ursula Rucker, who personifies hip-hop, "In the beginning, there was me. I was rhythm. Life. Two turn tables, one microphone." The smooth cello background suddenly twists and dives right into the punching beat of "Rock You," a number defining what the songs to follow intend to do, "We will rock you."

Track three, aptly titled "!!!!!!!" is a 24-second rage of screaming punk infiltration that bleeds into the chilled, pop-friendly, "Sacrifice." This track features Nelly Furtado on background vocals and makes reference to guitar-great Eric Clapton, "But if I go to heaven / would y'all know my name / or would it be the same for you / like I was Eric Clapton."

The gem of the album is "The Seed (2.0)," which is an expert combination of R&B, soul and rock. A steady drum-

beat and a catchy hook repetition form the background to an oscillation between rap and smooth singing supplied by guest Cody Chesnutt. The rapping gives the song a playful appeal while the sung lyrics provide a not-so-subtle sexual innuendo, "I don't ask for much these days / and I don't b---- and whine if I don't get my ways ... I push my seed in her bush for life / It's gonna work because I'm pushin' it right."

Some other excellent songs on the album are "Water," which has a bouncing bass back drop with rhyming reminiscing about the early days of the group in Philadelphia, and "Pussy Galore," which has MC Black Thought quoting the Godfather of Soul, James Brown, "The world is a sex machine," in a rant about the ubiquitous role of sex in society, "Every time I turn around it's pussy galore."

With its prophetic lyrics, smooth beats and organic rhythms, *Phrenology* is the definition of musical intelligence. Anyone who claims to be a fan of hip-hop should



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With earthy grooves and real instrumentation, the Roots continue to mature and progress their hip hop sound.

own this album. In fact, anyone who claims to be a fan of music should own this album. The Roots have provided just one more step in the natural maturation and progression of music. Who knew it could be so good?

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## ALBUM REVIEW

## Shania pops back 'Up!'

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN  
Scene Music Critic

With the release of her latest album *Up!*, country music superstar Shania Twain offers a two-CD set of 19 radio-friendly tracks sure to score with her fans. Unfortunately, Shania does little in the way of reinventing her sound,



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Shania Twain continues to reign as the queen of country pop with her album *Up!*

opting instead for her usual methods of recording huge hit songs. The result is an album that is a little too recognizable, mimicking the same patterns as 1997's *Come on Over* and even 1995's *The Woman in Me*. Yet *Up!* is one of the most charming recent country releases.

One of the most innovative ideas on the album is the two-disc set; the green disc features boot-stomping country songs, while the red disc includes the exact same songs with what Shania calls "an electric, rockier-edged sound." The fact that the two versions are nearly indistinguishable does nothing to refute critics who accuse Shania of achieving crossover success by abandoning her country roots. In most cases, the country version is superior, usually for the instrumentals.

Shania's lovely vocals complement wonderful strings played by The Irish Film Orchestra. Sadly, though, she resorts to her old habits of brainless lyrics and ending song titles with irritating exclamation points. The words to the recently released title track include such absurdity as: "Even my skin is acting weird / I wish that I could grow a beard."

A few songs stand out lyrically and musically, such as "She's Not Just A Pretty Face," one of Shania's anthems celebrating women but without her often-

disparaging jabs at men. "Forever And For Always" is a light, upbeat love song with pretty banjo, mandolin and fiddle playing. The melodic

and longing "I'm Jealous" features beautiful mandolin as well, with more original lyrics than most of her ballads: "If I were the moon I could catch your eye — I'm jealous of the moon / If I were the wind, I would make you fly — I'm jealous of that too."

An example of the country song versus the pop/rock version is heard in "It Only Hurts When I'm Breathing," one of the best songs on both discs. The country version has gorgeous music from The Dublin Film Orchestra, as well as additional violin, mandolins and acoustic guitar. The pop version subtracts some instruments while adding percussion. The song flaunts Shania's impressive vocal range when she sings, "My heart only breaks when it's beating / My dreams only die when I'm dreaming / So, I hold my breath — to forget."

There are plenty of Shania's signature playful and upbeat songs, suitable

Up!  
Shania Twain

Universal Records



for square dancing. "Nah!" has a better-off-without-him attitude and catchy shuffling beat. "In My Car (I'll Be the Driver)" is another fun ride, even with words like: "Ah, it's all right if you sleep with your socks on — Oh, babe! It's okay!" The only true slow ballad reminiscent of *Come On Over* is the poignant "When You Kiss Me," which is better in its country form with the addition of the string orchestra.

Shania's album is worth a listen, even if there is nothing new in her style. Shania delivers what is expected of her, but doesn't put her talent to use to reach beyond expectations.

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## ALBUM REVIEW

## Richey rises to a new sound

By KATE WILLIAMS  
Scene Music Critic

"To me, rise means a gentle lift, like smoke rising. When you get so wrapped up in what's going on in your own tiny little world and things start to spin, you have to lift up and look at what else is going on around you, get a different perspective and rise above it all," said Kim



Photo courtesy of rollingstone.com

Kim Richey is currently on tour with the Indigo Girls to promote her new album, *Rise*.

Richey on the High Road Touring Web site. And that is the message her new album, *Rise*, emphasizes in all its different aspects.

Richey started her career as a Nashville singer and songwriter, and has provided background vocals for artists from Ryan Adams to Mary Chapin-Carpenter to Reba McEntire. She has also had songs performed by many of country's most famous singers. Though strongly involved in the Nashville music scene her new album *Rise* exhibits a departure from her country roots.

Released through Lost Highway Records, a Universal Music Company, *Rise* contains 13 songs written and performed by Richey. *Rise* represents Richey's fourth album, and has been voted the Best Alternative Country Record of 2002 by Entertainment Weekly.

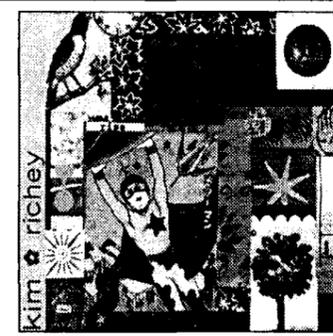
Richey's style is reminiscent of Joni Mitchell and Aimee Mann, yet her lyrics and phrasing set her apart from other performers. The album begins with "Girl in a Car" a soulful story of the aftermath of a failed love affair. Richey's voice shines on this track and provides an emotional start to the album. She continues

with "A Place Called Home," in which Richey talks about her struggles finding her place in the world. "Me and You" is the first upbeat song on the album and

comes just at the moment when it seems *Rise* is destined to be hopelessly gloomy. "The Circus Song (Can't Let Go)" is a quirky addition to the album, mixing deep lyrics with circus metaphors. Richey moves back to darker themes with "Fading," "Without You" and "Hard to Say Goodbye," though the "Cowards in a Brave New World" and "Good Day Here" provide a lively and welcome relief from some of the album's darker corners. The high point of the album comes with "Reel Me In," a sultry and exotic love song. Here Richey's subtle soprano stands out against a simple musical background to resemble the atmosphere of a smoky 1940's lounge. It shows Richey's versatility, vocal ability and underscores her departure from classical

Rise  
Kim Richey

Lost Highway Records



country.

*Rise* is at times a dark production that explores serious themes and poignant emotions, but Richey is more than a moody singer of depressing songs. The lightness of her voice contrasts eloquently with her deep lyrics, and this album is an introspective examination of Richey's experience. The other more upbeat selections from *Rise* show her ability to successfully navigate many musical styles and lighten the burden of her darker works. Richey produced an album that is essentially easy to listen to, one that provides a quiet yet powerful mood.

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## NHL

## Hull scores 700th goal in 5-4 win over San Jose



Detroit Red Wings right wing Brett Hull celebrates his 700th career goal Monday in a 5-4 win over San Jose.

Associated Press

## DETROIT

Brett Hull became the sixth NHL player to score 700 regular-season goals when he beat San Jose's Evgeni Nabokov with a wrist shot in the second period of Detroit's 5-4 win over San Jose Monday night.

"It's a great feeling," Hull said. "And I'm proud to do it in this jersey."

Only Wayne Gretzky scored 700 goals faster than Hull, who hit the mark in his 1,157th game. Gretzky, who finished with 894 goals, scored 700 in 886 games.

Gordie Howe (801), Marcel Dionne (731), Phil Esposito (717) and Mike Gartner (708) are the only other players to accomplish the feat.

Hull didn't score in his previous seven games after he got No. 699 on Jan. 22 in Edmonton.

"You think for a guy with a lot of goals that if you go into a little bit of a slump that it doesn't really affect you, but I think it got to me

and I was trying a little bit of everything," Hull said. "I had so many great chances and so many great passes from people, and one finally went in."

The milestone goal was a one-timer from the bottom of the left circle, after a cross-ice pass from Pavel Datsyuk.

"It's just a great pass from Pavel and I just snuck it by him five-hole," Hull said.

Hull's father, Hockey Hall of Famer Bobby Hull, scored 610 goals in 1,063 games that spanned 16 NHL seasons. Brett Hull passed his father on the career list with his first goal of the 2000-01 season — his final one in Dallas.

He began his career with Calgary and scored 26 goals with the Flames before being traded to St. Louis during the 1987-88 season.

It was with the Blues that Hull became "The Golden Brett" a takeoff of his father's nickname "The Golden Jet," stemming from their blond hair.

In 10-plus seasons in St.

Louis, the 38-year-old Hull scored 527 goals, including 72 in 1989-90, 86 the following season — a record for a right wing — and 70 in the next. He surpassed the 50-goal mark in each of the next two seasons.

Following a 27-goal campaign in 1997-98, Hull signed as a free agent with Dallas. He scored 95 goals in three seasons with the Stars, including 32 in 1998-99.

He added eight goals in the playoffs and scored the heavily disputed Stanley Cup-clinching goal in triple overtime in Game 6 of the finals in Buffalo.

Hull signed with the Red Wings before last season and scored 30 goals, helping Detroit to another Stanley Cup title.

He has 21 goals this season, and has reached 20 in each of his 16 NHL seasons.

If he scores 14 more goals this season, an option in his contract will keep him in Detroit for another year. If Hull doesn't reach 35 goals, he will be an unrestricted free agent.

## WOMENS BASKETBALL

## New Mexico State players clash with coach

## ◆ 9 of 10 Aggies would quit if coach reinstated

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. Several players on New Mexico State's womens basketball team contend their former coach pulled a teammate's hair and made a sick player run until she collapsed and was hospitalized.

The accusations were made against Nikita Lowry, who was placed on administrative leave in December over what athletics director Brian Faison termed "philosophical differences in coach-

ing management."

Two coaches deny the accusations, saying the players are complaining about the discipline it takes to win.

After Lowry was placed on leave, assistant Marlene Stollings became interim coach. She and the other coaches walked off the job in protest last week, saying the athletics department had stopped communicating with them. Faison regarded their walkouts as resignations.

Ten players attended a news conference Sunday, and nine raised their hands when asked if they would quit if Lowry were reinstated. The 10th, Mari Sanchez, said she would stay because she is a

senior.

Aggies guard Princess Moore said Lowry grabbed her hair once during practice and screamed an expletive at her.

Forward Orphee Cherizard said she showed up for practice ill on her birthday.

She said she was the only player ordered to run up and down stairs.

Lowry denied making Cherizard run stairs, but said she had to climb stairs to get to the bathroom.

"She came to me and told me she was ill," Lowry said. "I sent her over to the trainer. If the trainer knew she was ill, it's the trainer's job to take her out of practice."

## PGA

## Sponser wants Sorenstam

Associated Press

## TRUMBULL, Conn.

Annika Sorenstam could be offered an exemption to the Colonial and become the first woman in 58 years to play on the PGA Tour, a magazine reported Monday.

Golf World cited unnamed sources as saying Bank of America, in its first year as the title sponsor, wants Sorenstam to play. The Colonial is May 22-25 in Fort Worth, Texas.

The 32-year-old Swede, who last year won 13 times around the world and shattered the LPGA Tour scoring average, said two weeks ago she would love to compete against the men if offered an exemption.

"I have nothing to lose," Sorenstam said. "It would be a challenge."

Her only stipulation was to play on a course where she would not be at a huge disadvantage off the tee. Colonial is only 7,080 yards, although it plays to a par-70.

Messages left for Sorenstam's agent and her husband by The Associated Press were not immediately returned.

Tournament director Dee Finley suggested last week that Colonial had no room for Sorenstam because it had several players interested in their exemptions and "we're here to provide a place to play for PGA Tour players."

"It would be fun to see her play, but I'm afraid that will not be possible

for Colonial this year," Finley said at the time.

Monday, Finley told Golf World that talks had reached an advanced stage.

The last woman to play a PGA Tour event was Babe Zaharias in the 1945 Los Angeles Open. Zaharias not only qualified for the tournament, she made the 36-hole cut until a 79 eliminated her for the final round.

If Sorenstam were to play Colonial, she would steal the spotlight from Connecticut club pro Suzy Whaley, who has said she will play in the Greater Hartford Open in July.

Whaley qualified by winning a PGA of America sectional tournament, even though she was allowed to compete from a shorter set of tees.

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NHL

# Bryden's bid to buy approved

## ♦ Courts must approve offer to buy Senators

Associated Press

OTTAWA  
Rod Bryden's bid to buy back the Ottawa Senators was accepted by the team's creditors but still must be approved by the court.

Bryden's offer is believed to be worth more than \$130 million, and he said Monday he was optimistic the court would agree to the deal. He said the sale will make the team debt free.

The Senators have been operating under bankruptcy court protection since Jan. 9. Their court-ordered protection from creditors was to have expired Tuesday.

Earlier Monday, the Senators received additional financing and an extension until April 17 on bankruptcy protection from creditors.

However, there was confusion in court over who would foot the bill to allow the Senators to keep playing and make a payment to players Friday.

Creditors are owed more than \$160 million and include the NHL and major lenders CIBC and FleetBoston Financial Corp.

The deal is for the team only but is contingent on the sale of the Corel Centre to Bryden in a separate agreement.

"We've made very substantial progress and the time it's taken has allowed us to produce what we think will be a very precise and complete agreement which we think the court will be satisfied with," Bryden said.

However, the deal approved by creditors on Monday is only "the first of what will be a few steps to conclude the change in ownership of the hockey club," he added.

Bryden said he is still dealing with Covanta Energy, a U.S. firm owed more than \$210 million on the arena, to buy Covanta's interest in the arena. Covanta is also in bankruptcy protection and its creditors are part of any sale.

Bryden said Covanta's creditors could agree to the arena sale even before the Ottawa court approves the team's sale.

Bryden first thought a decision on the offer would be made Jan. 24. He said the delays occurred because he wanted to ensure that proper steps were taken to give CIBC and FleetBoston the money they are owed.

Those steps require the sale of units in the team through a limited partnership, giving investors tax deductibles in exchange for shares in the club. Such a deal was killed by the banks in December.

The Senators received about \$8.8 million from CIBC and FleetBoston on Jan. 9. On Monday, the team sought in

court another \$8.7 million in funds.

While lawyers for the two banks and the NHL agreed that the additional financing was necessary, the banks could not agree how much each should pay, or whether they should agree to the \$8.8 million amount.

The parties will return to court Thursday if no agreement on the interim financing is made before then.

The team warned it would most likely not be able to meet a prescheduled payment to players Friday without the additional funds.

The Senators missed a payment to players in early January, about a week before it sought court protection that barred creditors from seizing the team's assets due to unpaid bills.

Canadian billionaire Eugene Melnyk had said he would make an all-cash bid for the team if Bryden's offer failed. In a statement released late Monday, Melnyk said he was "obviously very disappointed by this decision and that I will not have the opportunity to submit a viable financial proposal for the Ottawa Senators.

"I am pleased that there remains a possibility for the team to stay in Ottawa and continue its excellence on the ice."

Melnyk said he has no other interest in acquiring other NHL franchises.

NFL

# Niners' Rumph faces DUI trial

Associated Press

MIAMI  
San Francisco 49ers cornerback Mike Rumph rejected a plea agreement and opted to face trial Monday on charges of driving drunk last July.

Rumph turned down the plea deal usually offered to first-time offenders that would have kept him out of jail. Miami-Dade Circuit Judge Beth Bloom told Rumph before jury selection that if convicted he could be sentenced to a maximum of six months in jail followed by a year of probation.

Rumph, 23, told the judge he was aware of the possible penalties. He has maintained his innocence.

A Miami Beach police officer testified Monday that he stopped Rumph's vehicle at 4:20 a.m. on July 6 after watching him roll through two stop signs. The officer said Rumph then failed five field sobriety tests.

Another officer testified that Rumph said he had consumed one 6-ounce glass of Courvoisier and Coca-Cola in the two hours before driving.

Rumph's blood-alcohol

level was .091. Under Florida law, it is illegal to operate a motor vehicle with a blood-alcohol level above .08. Rumph pleaded innocent to the charges last August. The trial was scheduled to resume Tuesday afternoon.

The former University of Miami star had no prior criminal record. State attorneys said they were prepared to offer him the minimum penalty required by state law, which includes a six-month driver license suspension, six months probation, \$729 in fines and 50 hours of community service.

Edward O'Donnell III, Rumph's lawyer, said if Rumph is convicted he would ask the judge for a stay on any jail sentence pending appeal. Bloom replied that it was premature to consider any such request now.

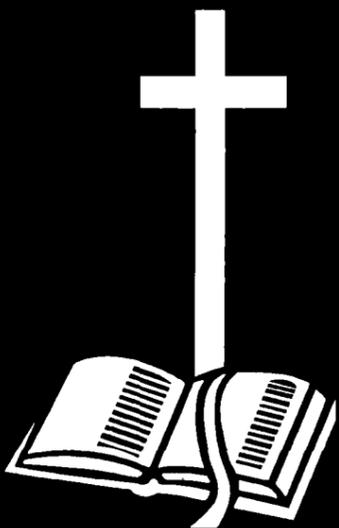
Rumph had 41 tackles and one forced fumble in 16 games with the 49ers. He was a key member of Miami's 2001 national championship team and was selected as the first-round choice of the 49ers in the 2002 NFL draft, signing a five-year, \$6.4 million contract.

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NASCAR

# Green edges Earnhardt to win Daytona pole

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. Dale Earnhardt Jr. had planned to beat everybody this month. He just hadn't figured on Jeff Green.

The unheralded Green, driving for Richard Childress Racing, the team for which the late Dale Earnhardt won six of his seven Winston Cup championships, beat Earnhardt Jr. for the Daytona 500 pole Monday — though not by much.

In fact, the difference between Green's lap of 186.606 mph and Earnhardt's 186.382 was a mere 0.058 seconds.

As much of a shock as Green's performance was to many people in the Winston Cup garage and Daytona International Speedway's grandstand, it came as no surprise to the driver.

"I really expected it," he said. "A lot of people, I think, looked at me like I had four eyes when I said that. But we didn't practice a whole lot Saturday. We knew we had a great race car."

That confidence made Sunday's rainout of qualifying agonizing for Green.

"That was the longest day of my life," he said. "I kept telling everybody what a great car we had. I kept telling Michelle, my wife, how great the car was, and she was just shaking her head.

"Now we've proved it."

The two drivers who came out on top Monday were more than halfway down the 51-car qualifying line and had to wait through a 75-minute rain delay and about 90 minutes of qualifying before getting their chance.

Earnhardt, who went into qualifying heavily favored to take his first Daytona pole after showing muscle by winning Saturday night's Bud Shootout, went first and, as expected, vaulted right to the top.

Green, the next in line, drove onto the 2 1/2-mile oval and relegated the surprised Earnhardt to second.

"It was kind of bittersweet to lose the pole, but, in a way, we have so much to be proud of because we've improved so much," Earnhardt said. "It was a fantastic lap."

The two fast Chevrolets are the only cars with guaranteed starting positions for NASCAR's premier race.

While Earnhardt and Dale Earnhardt Inc. teammates Michael Waltrip and Steve Park wound up a disappointing second, fourth and 17th, it was a particularly good day for the Childress team, which had a miserable year in 2002.

Green's teammates, Robby

Gordon and Kevin Harvick, were third and sixth in qualifying.

That delighted Childress, who added Green as a third driver and had considerable turnover of personnel last year.

"We've got some long-range plans at RCR," the car owner said. "Last year, we had some short-term sacrifices for long-term success."

Green, who won the Busch Series title in 2000, is starting his second full season with Childress. The 40-year-old driver, one of three racing brothers from Owensboro, Ky., said there is a new feeling around the team.

"Last year, we were just getting to the racetrack, not gelling," Green said. "There's been a lot of work done in the last few months in our shop and the new Monte Carlo is a phenomenal car. Chevrolet gave us something this year we can really race with.

"And [new crew chief] Mike Beam really turned us around."

Chevrolets took the top four positions and six of the top eight.

Despite the qualifying results, Earnhardt and Waltrip remain the drivers to beat, having won six of the last eight races at Daytona and Talladega, NASCAR's two biggest and fastest ovals.

"It's going to be tough to beat those guys," Green said. "But there are 40 other guys out there that you've got to beat, too — not just the DEI cars. My philosophy is to get in front of the [No.] 8 [Earnhardt car] and let me push you all the way to the end.

"That's what I'm going to do. I'm going to block my butt off to keep him behind me. They've got a great combination, but I think RCR is right there with them now."

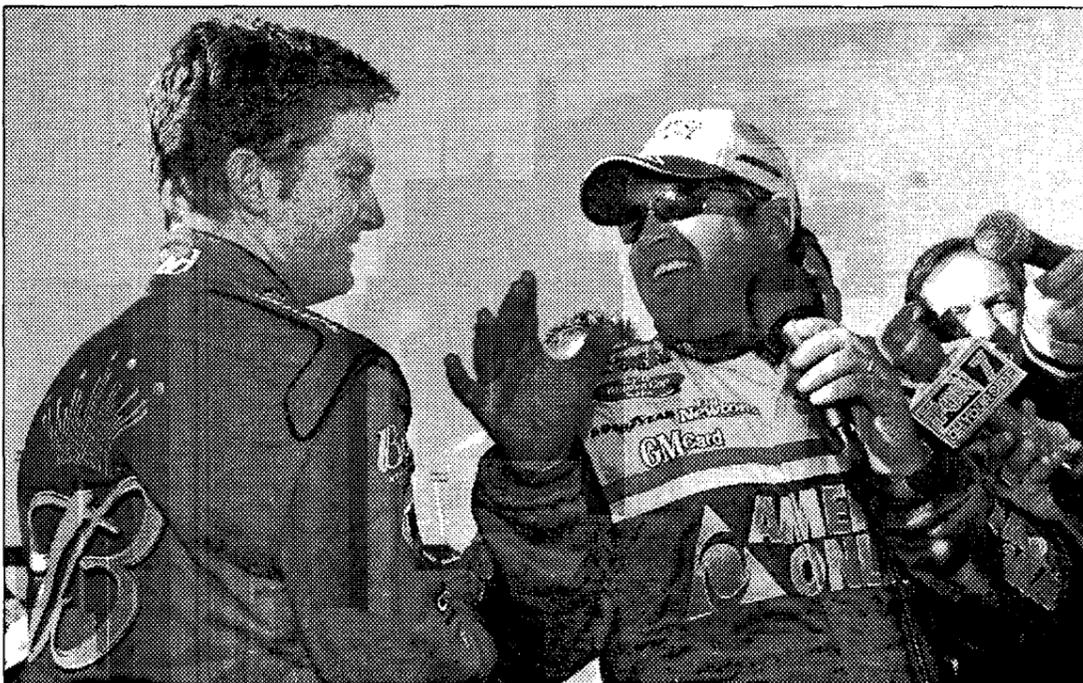
With the front row decided on Monday — 24 hours after rain prevented qualifying — the rest of the 43-car field will be filled Thursday.

Under the unique qualifying format for the 500, positions 3 through 30 are determined in twin 125-mile qualifying races, with 14 coming out of each race. Positions 31-36 go to the fastest drivers Monday who haven't already qualified.

The rest of the lineup is filled by provisional starters, based on last year's car-owner points.

Series champion Tony Stewart blew his engine on his first of two qualifying laps and failed to post a time.

He will start no worse than 37th, on car-owner points, but will try to improve on that Thursday.



Jeff Green, right, jokes with Dale Earnhardt, Jr. after Green took the pole position for the Daytona 500.

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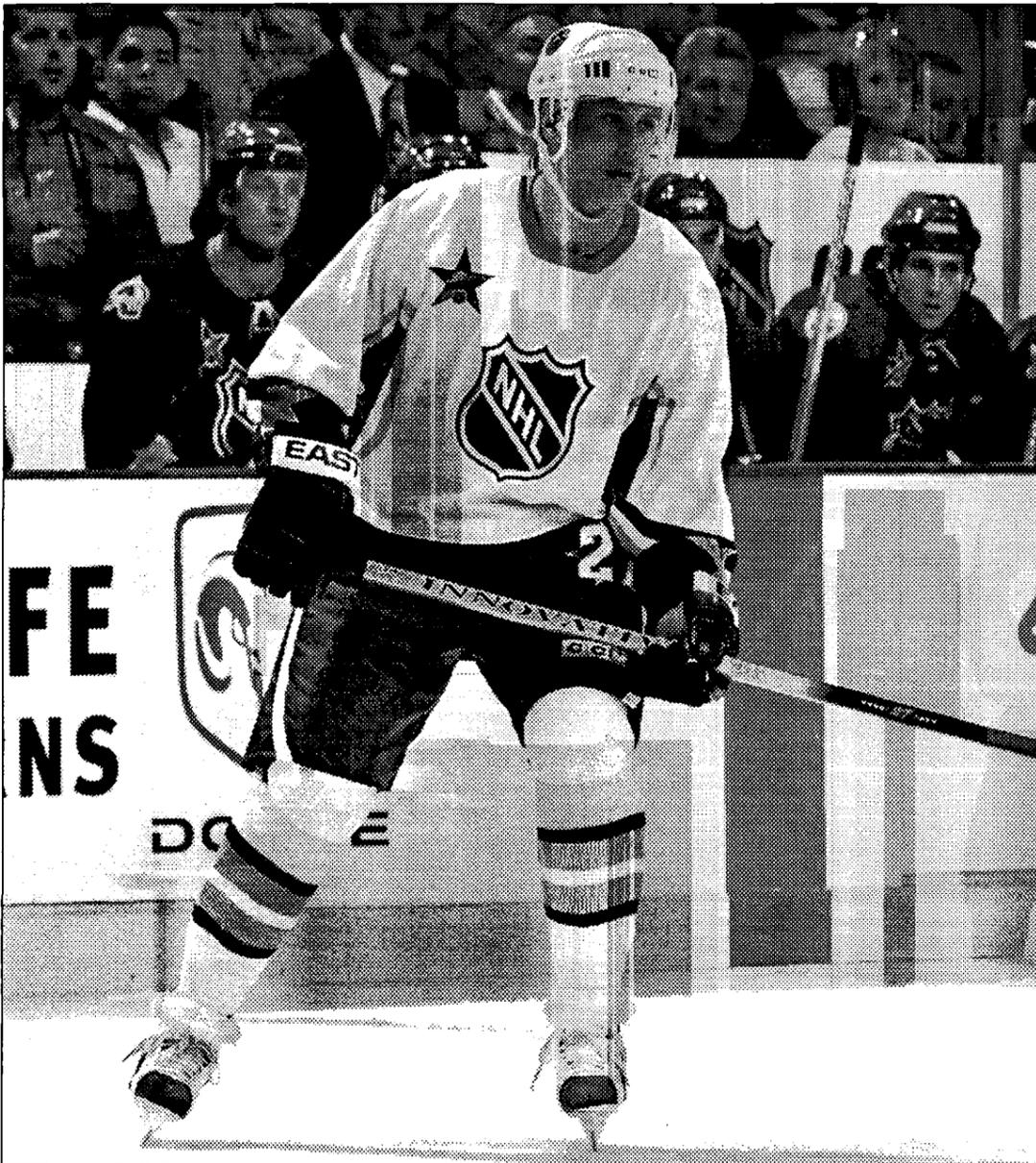
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NHL

# Cash-strapped Pens deal Kovalev to Rangers



Alexei Kovalev skates in the 53rd NHL All-Star game on Feb. 2. He was traded from the Pittsburgh Penguins to the New York Rangers Monday.

Associated Press

NEW YORK

The New York Rangers added another high-priced All-Star to their struggling lineup, acquiring high-scoring forward Alexei Kovalev from the cash-strapped Pittsburgh Penguins in an eight-player trade Monday.

The Rangers got one of the elite players in the league and a world-class offensive talent, while the Penguins got four guys who will probably be fringe players for them, plus somewhere in the neighborhood of \$4 million. That exchange of players combined with the fact that Pittsburgh also got rid of the salaries of Janne Laukkanen and Mike Wilson says a lot about the motives and current economic status of the Penguins.

On the ice, Kovalev is going to help New York's power play and dramatically increase its 5-on-5 scoring. He is a player that opponents are afraid of and will always be up against the opponents' top checker, centerman and defensive pairing, and that will free up room for a lot of other guys.

But the Rangers still have other issues to address. They got a great scorer and did not give up a top-six forward from their roster, but New York has some serious holes to fill defensively, has a poor penalty-killing unit and has to find a way to keep the puck out of the net. Kovalev is not the one missing piece that is going to get New York into the playoffs. The Rangers, already with an NHL-high payroll over \$70 million, are desperate to make the playoffs for the first time since 1997.

The Penguins sent Kovalev, their second-leading scorer, forward Dan LaCouture, and defensemen Janne Laukkanen and Mike Wilson to the struggling Rangers for forwards Rico Fata and Mikael Samuelsson, defensemen Richard Lintner and Joel Bouchard, and what is believed to be \$4 million in cash.

The financially troubled Penguins said recently that any deal involving Kovalev would require a \$4 million payment — the most allowed by the NHL.

"I don't think it's a salary dump at all. I think it's a trade," Rangers general manager-coach Glen Sather said of the deal, three weeks in the making.

Kovalev has 27 goals and 37 assists this season and was coveted by many teams.

New York is in 11th place in the Eastern Conference and trails in the race for the final playoff spot by six points despite its league-high payroll.

Dollars mattered most to Pittsburgh. Kovalev, who will turn 30 later this month, turned down an estimated \$30 million offer before the season started, apparently because he wants a deal in the \$8 million a year range. He is earning \$4.6 million this year.

"This is a trade I don't think many teams would turn down," Sather said. "We were fortunate to be there at the right time."

The right wing is eligible for arbitration after this season, and an award in that price range wouldn't fit into the Penguins' \$32 million payroll. Penguins owner and player Mario Lemieux expects the team to lose money this year.

Lemieux said he was going to do all he could to keep the Penguins out of bankruptcy, where the Buffalo Sabres and Ottawa Senators have already landed this season. Lemieux bought the Penguins out of bankruptcy in 1999.

It is the latest move by a desperate Rangers team that is trying to reach the playoffs for the first time since 1997. Sather fired rookie coach Bryan Trottier just 54 games into the season and moved behind the bench. The Rangers are 0-2-1-1 under Sather.

"He's an elite player that has tremendous skill," Sather said. "He plays hard, he's played very well this year. He competes and we need someone who can put the puck in the net."

The NHL trade deadline is March 11, and New York has 24 games remaining.

In the last five years, the Penguins have lost some of the game's most creative offensive players — Jagr, Ron Francis, Robert Lang and, now Kovalev — because they couldn't afford to pay them market value.

Kovalev spent the first six-plus seasons of his NHL career with the Rangers and was a member of New York's Stanley-Cup winning team in 1994.

But the flashy forward often caused frustration, never seemingly living up to his potential.

He reached the 20-goal mark four times in New York, with a high of 24 in 1995-96.

Kovalev was dealt to Pittsburgh on Nov. 25, 1998. With the Penguins, Kovalev has scored 169 goals in five seasons. He had 44 two seasons ago and 32 last season.

Unlike the Jagr trade to Washington two years ago, when the Jagr asked to be dealt and the Penguins accommodated him, Pittsburgh general manager Craig Patrick wasn't willing to accept only prospects in return for Kovalev.

Despite his desire to stay with the Penguins, Kovalev never appeared willing to accept less money to stay in Pittsburgh.

"If I were 21, maybe I could stay in Pittsburgh for less money, but I'm not 21," the All-Star said recently. "It might be my last contract. We definitely want to be paid what we're worth."

The Rangers were able to swing the deal without giving up young players such as forward Jamie Lundmark and 19-year-old goalie Dan Blackburn.

Samuelsson had eight goals and 14 assists in 58 games with the Rangers this season. Fata had two goals and four assists in 36 games.

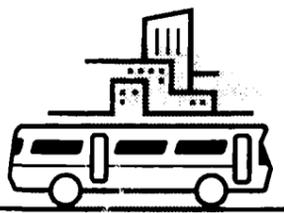
Bouchard had five goals and seven assists, and Lintner has spent all but 10 games this season in the AHL.

LaCouture had two goals and two assists in 44 games with the Penguins.

Laukkanen has been out most of the season, but Sather hopes he will return soon. Wilson has been in the AHL this season.

It was the third deal in a 24-hour span by the Penguins, who are two points ahead of the Rangers.

Pittsburgh traded defenseman Andrew Ference to Calgary for a conditional draft pick Monday, and received defenseman Shawn Heins from San Jose, also for a conditional draft pick, Sunday.



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MENS BASKETBALL

# Longhorns hold on to edge Price, Oklahoma

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas

Brandon Mouton scored 14 points and Royal Ivey hit the key 3-pointer as No. 6 Texas defeated (No. 4 ESPN/USA Today, No. 5 AP) Oklahoma 67-61 Monday night, snapping an eight-game losing streak against the Sooners.

The Longhorns (16-4, 7-2 Big 12) hadn't beaten their border rivals since Jan. 15, 2000. The skid included three straight defeats in the Big 12 tournament and an overtime loss in Austin last season.

Hollis Price scored 23 points for Oklahoma (16-4, 7-2), which dropped out of a tie for first place in the conference with Oklahoma State and Kansas.

A crowd of 15,783 came to the Frank Erwin Center — easily the most raucous crowd in Texas coach Rick Barnes' five years in Austin — eager to see Texas end the losing streak. When the final buzzer sounded, hundreds of students rushed the floor to mob the Texas players and sing "The Eyes of Texas" with the pep band.

Texas, which led most of the game, was ahead 55-54 when Ivey nailed his second 3-pointer to give the Longhorns a four-point lead with 2:11 left to play.

The Sooners, used to getting the best of Texas, got to 60-59 on Price's fifth 3-pointer before Texas' Jason Klotz dropped in a turnaround jumper. Texas made 5-of-6 free throws down the stretch to seal the win.

Ivey finished with 14 points. James Thomas got his 10th double-double of the season with 11 points and 16 rebounds.

Kevin Bookout scored 12 points and Quannas White had 10 for the Sooners, who outshot Texas 42 percent to 39 percent but were outrebounded 42-34.

The Sooners, who commit the fewest turnovers in the Big 12, had 14, and Texas turned them into 15 points.

Texas started quickly, hitting 12 of its first 21 shots and taking a 28-14 lead. The Sooners

rallied behind Price, who hit consecutive 3-pointers, and closed the gap to 31-28 with 1:44 left in the half.

Texas stretched the lead to 36-28 and had a chance to seize momentum before Brian Boddicker, the team's best 3-point shooter, missed. Price then hit his fourth 3-pointer on the other end with 1.8 seconds left to make it 36-31 at half-time.

Oklahoma briefly held the lead in the second half when Ebi Ere's 3-pointer made it 45-43 with 14:06 to play. A layup by Thomas and a jumper by Ivey put Texas back on top, and the Longhorns didn't trail again.

### Connecticut 75, Syracuse 61

Emeka Okafor had 15 points and 12 rebounds, and (No. 19 ESPN/USA Today, No. 23 AP) Connecticut used a balanced offense and solid defense to beat (No. 18 ESPN/USA Today, No. 17 AP) Syracuse 75-61 Monday night.

The Huskies (15-5, 6-3 Big East) won their second straight game since losing two in a row by more than 20 points. They improved to 2-1 without coach Jim Calhoun, who was released from the hospital Sunday, three days after having surgery to remove a cancerous prostate. They also won their second game without starting point guard Taliek Brown, who will be out four-to-six weeks with a broken finger.

Freshman Carmelo Anthony matched his career high with 29 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for the Orangemen (16-4, 7-3), who had won three straight and five of six.

Connecticut spread its offense out, as seven of its eight players scored at least seven points. Meanwhile, Syracuse was pretty much limited to converting offensive rebounds for points.

The Orangemen, who entered the game third in the league in scoring (81.1) and second in field goal percentage (48.8), were 20-for-67 from the field (29.9 percent), including 8-for-37 in the second half. Syracuse's first 17 points of

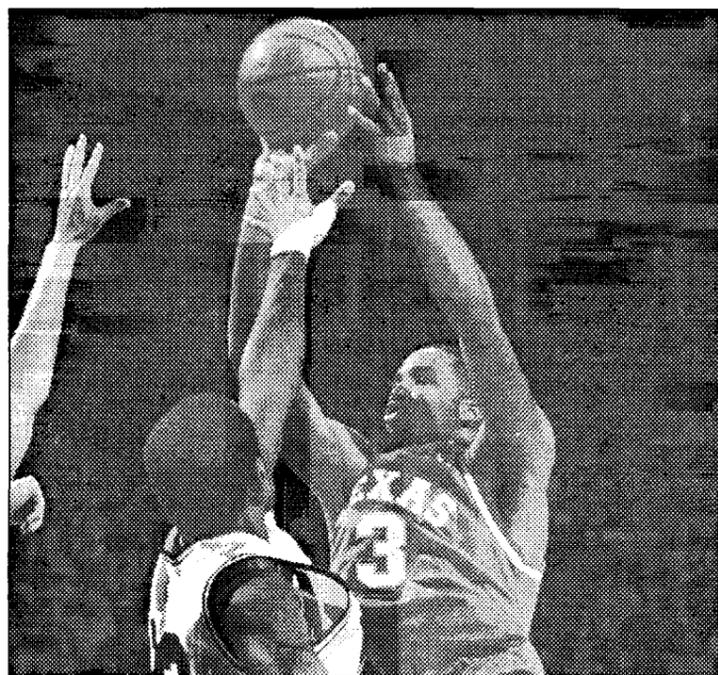
the second half came on free throws, and its first field goal was accidentally put in by Okafor as he tried to grab a rebound.

The first field goal for the Orangemen came on an alley-oop to Hakim Warrick with 11:05 to play and it pulled them to 50-44.

They got to 50-46 just over a minute later on a layup by Kueth Duany, but the Huskies went on a 13-5 run that featured a short jumper by Ben Gordon, the first field goal of the half for the Huskies' leading scorer.

Rashad Anderson had 13 points for Connecticut, which had lost three of its last four against Syracuse, while Gordon had 11, well below his 20.6 average.

Warrick and Duany each had 12 points for Syracuse, which finished with a 41-38 rebounding advantage, including 21-11 on the offensive end.



Texas' Brandon Mouton shoots over a Texas Tech defender in the Longhorns' victory on Jan. 14.



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Thursday, February 06 ~ LaFortune Ballroom 7:30 pm  
Author of *Loyal Sons and Daughters of Notre Dame: A Memoir of Notre Dame*, co-sponsored by Cavanaugh Coffeehouse, featuring the music of female a cappella group Harmonia, book signing, and refreshments

#### NIKKI GIOVANNI

Saturday, February 08 ~ Jordan Auditorium, Mendoza COBA, 7:30 pm  
Poet of *Quitting the Black-Eyed Pea* and *Love Poems*, introductory remarks by ND head football coach Ty Willingham  
Co-sponsored by the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, the College of Arts & Letters, Gender Studies Program, Department of English, the Creative Writing Program, and the Department of African and African-American Studies

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Featuring student slam poets and spoken-word artists in a multi-media style, followed by an open-mic session

#### JOE GARDEN

Monday, February 10 ~ Washington Hall, 7:30 pm  
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#### KEVIN COVILE

Tuesday, February 11 ~ Washington Hall 7:30 pm  
Author of *Donors*, reception in LaFortune Ballroom featuring the music of male a cappella group The Undertones

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# AROUND THE NATION

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## Mens Basketball Polls

Coaches		AP	
team		team	
1	Arizona (25)	1	Arizona (37)
2	Louisville (6)	2	Louisville (27)
3	Kentucky	3	Kentucky (5)
4	Oklahoma	4	Florida (2)
5	Florida	5	Oklahoma (1)
6	Texas	6	Texas
7	Pittsburgh	7	Pittsburgh
8	Duke	8	Duke
9	NOTRE DAME	9	Kansas
10	Kansas	10	NOTRE DAME
11	Marquette	11	Marquette
12	Crelghton	12	Crelghton
13	Illinois	13	Oklahoma State
14	Oklahoma State	14	Illinois
15	Maryland	15	Wake Forest
16	Xavier	16	Maryland
17	Wake Forest	17	Syracuse
18	Syracuse	18	Xavier
19	Connecticut	19	Mississippi St.
20	Mississippi St.	20	Georgia
21	Missouri	21	Missouri
22	Georgia	22	California
23	California	23	Connecticut
24	Stanford	24	Stanford
25	Purdue	25	St. Joseph's

## Womens Basketball Polls

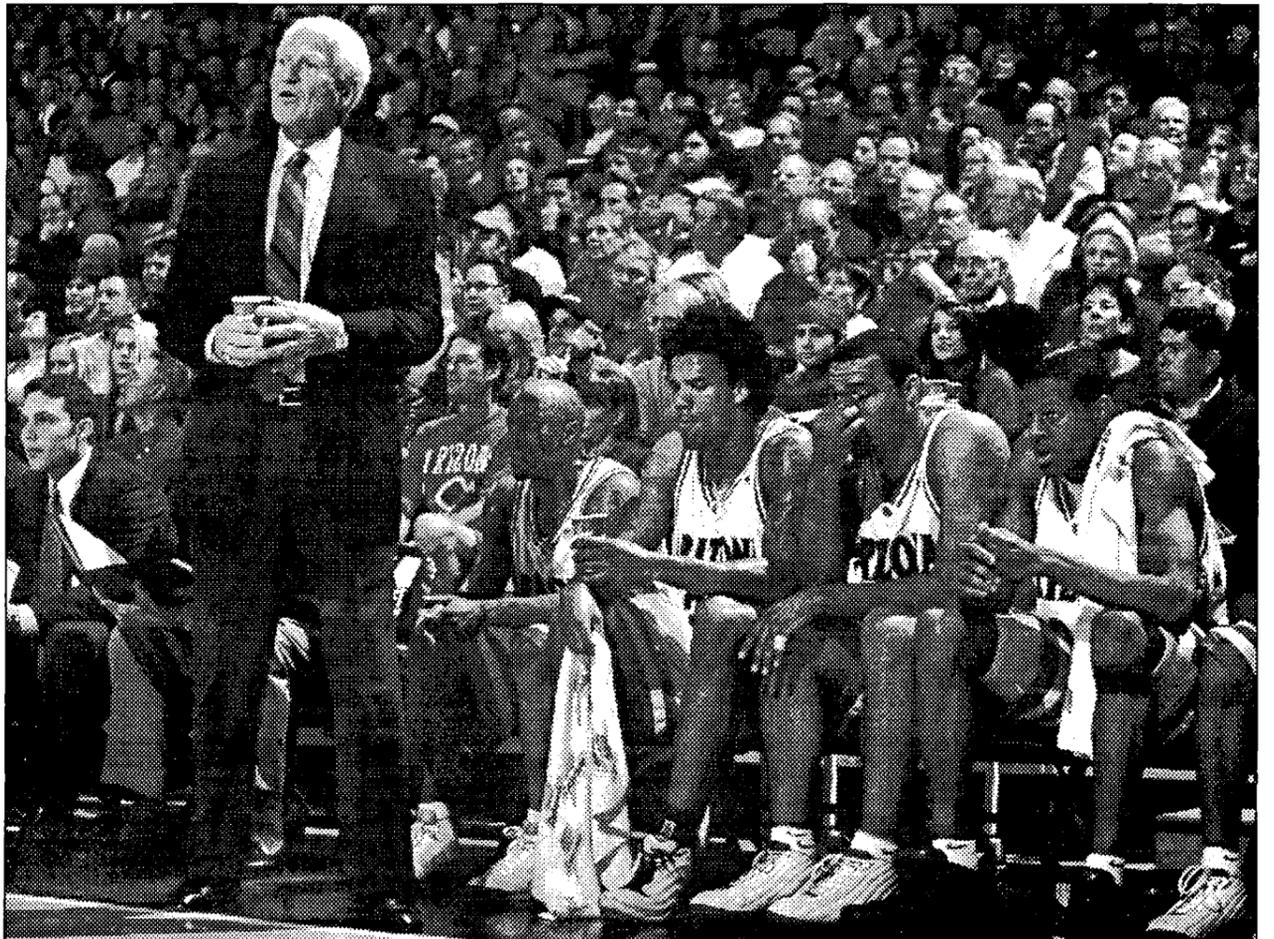
Coaches		AP	
team		team	
1	Connecticut (40)	1	Connecticut (44)
2	Duke	2	Duke
3	Tennessee	3	Tennessee
4	LSU	4	LSU
5	Kansas State	5	Kansas State
6	North Carolina	6	Stanford
7	Stanford	7	Texas Tech
8	Texas Tech	8	North Carolina
9	Purdue	9	Purdue
10	Louisiana Tech	10	Louisiana Tech
11	Mississippi St.	11	Texas
12	Texas	12	Penn State
13	Arkansas	13	Arkansas
14	Penn State	14	Georgia
15	South Carolina	15	South Carolina
16	Minnesota	16	Mississippi St.
17	Santa Barbara	17	Minnesota
18	Georgia	18	Vanderbilt
19	Vanderbilt	19	Villanova
20	Boston College	20	Santa Barbara
21	Oklahoma	21	Wisc. Green Bay
22	Villanova	22	Ohio State
23	Wisc. Green Bay	23	Rutgers
24	Washington	24	Arizona
25	Arizona	25	Boston College

## Mens College Basketball Big East Conference

### West Division

team	W	L	Pct.
NOTRE DAME	7	2	.778
Syracuse	7	3	.778
Pittsburgh	6	2	.750
Seton Hall	5	4	.556
West Virginia	3	5	.375
Georgetown	2	6	.250
Rutgers	2	6	.250

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL



Icon Sports Photos

The Arizona Wildcats, led by coach Lute Olsen, returned to No. 1 in the Associated Press poll this week. This is the Wildcats' third trip to the top spot this season.

## Wildcats reclaim top spot in AP poll

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Arizona moved atop the AP mens college basketball poll Monday for the third time this season, while former No. 1 Alabama dropped out of the Top 25.

In a season in which there has not been a clear-cut No. 1, the Wildcats (18-2) moved up one place to retake the top spot they held in the preseason poll, the first five weeks of the regular season, and for another two weeks after that.

Louisville (18-1) moved up three spots to second. The Cardinals have the nation's longest winning

streak at 17 games. Kentucky (18-3) also moved up three spots to third.

Florida (19-3), which moved into the No. 1 spot last week for the first time in school history, dropped to fourth following a 70-55 loss to Kentucky.

Alabama (13-7) has lost five of its last six games and dropped out from No. 22. The Crimson Tide, ranked No. 1 for the first time in school history six weeks ago, became the first team to fall from the rankings after being No. 1 since Indiana and Duke both did it in 1979-80, when there was a Top 20.

Arizona received 37 first-place votes and 1,753

points from the national media panel after victories over Washington and Washington State.

The Wildcats are the fifth team in the last six seasons to hold the No. 1 spot three times in a season. Duke did it last season. Cincinnati did it in 1999-2000, and Duke and North Carolina did it in 1997-98.

The most trips to No. 1 in a season was four by North Carolina in 1993-94.

Louisville, last ranked No. 2 in the preseason poll of 1986-87, was No. 1 on 27 ballots and had 1,706 points, 42 more than Kentucky, which had five first-place votes.

Rivals Louisville and

Kentucky are in the top five for the first time since Dec. 15, 1981, when Kentucky was No. 2 and Louisville No. 3.

Fourth-ranked Florida (19-3) received two first-place votes after rebounding from the loss to Kentucky with a win over Alabama.

Oklahoma (16-3) had the only other No. 1 vote and moved from seventh to fifth. The Sooners were followed in the top ten by Texas, Pittsburgh, Duke, Kansas and Notre Dame.

Five teams in last week's Top 10 lost six games No. 8 Maryland lost twice while Top 25 teams lost a total of 15 games.

## IN BRIEF

### Ferguson hired as Seahawks new GM

Bob Ferguson was hired as the Seattle Seahawks general manager Monday, taking over for Mike Holmgren who relinquished the job to concentrate solely on coaching the team.

Ferguson, 51, has spent 29 years in the NFL, including the last seven with the Arizona Cardinals. He became the Arizona general manager in 1999 but was fired last month after the 5-11 Cardinals completed their season with a 37-7 loss at Denver. It was their ninth defeat in 10 games.

Before joining the Cardinals' front office in 1996, Ferguson spent 11 seasons in Buffalo and Denver, during which time those teams went to six Super Bowls.

He joined Buffalo in 1985 and was promoted to assistant general manager-director of pro personnel in 1989. The Bills won four consecutive AFC titles from 1990-93.

After his time in Buffalo, Ferguson became the director of player personnel for the Broncos from 1993-95. Before joining the Bills, Ferguson handled performance testing for the Dallas Cowboys from 1984-85.

### Former Georgia Tech coach dies

John "Whack" Hyder, the second winningest basketball coach at Georgia Tech, died Sunday. He was 90.

Hyder won 292 games with Georgia Tech between 1959-71. Hyder led Georgia Tech to its first NCAA, a victory total surpassed only by Bobby Cremins. Tournament appearance in 1960 and also took the Yellow Jackets to the NIT twice.

Hyder coached Tech's first two all-America players in Roger Kaiser and Rich Yunkus and was twice chosen as Southeastern Conference coach of the year.

Hyder's most famous victory was Jan. 8, 1955, when Tech snapped

Kentucky's 129-game home winning streak with a 59-58 win.

### Burk travels to Augusta

Martha Burk made her first visit to Augusta to scout possible protest sites near Augusta National Golf Club for The Masters.

Burk, the head of the National Council of Women's Organizations, was accompanied by supporters as she studied the neighborhood for about two hours Saturday.

Burk would not give details about the planned protest.

Burk was in Atlanta to meet with players from the WNBA, who are seeking a new contract and have received her support.

The National Council of Women's Organizations and other groups plan to protest the club's all-male membership during The Masters in April.

Augusta-Richmond County officials have said protesters will not be allowed near the club's main gates because of dangerous traffic on Washington Road.

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## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Michigan State at Wisconsin 7 p.m., ESPN  
 St. John's at Villanova 7 p.m., ESPN2  
 Ohio at Northern Illinois 8 p.m., FOXCH  
 Georgia at Kentucky 9 p.m., ESPN

## CLUB SPORTS

## Ski club continues to dominate the slopes in slalom

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame women took their first step in post-season championship competition by winning the MCSA Divisional Championships in both slalom and giant slalom this weekend at Crystal Mountain. The spotlight also shone brightly on the men's squad as Mike Ryan dominated the field in the slalom on Saturday, capturing gold as by the relatively large combined margin of .65 seconds. Teammate Bill Leimkuehler finished 14th while Eric Hansen's 30th place earned enough points for the Irish mens squad to claim third in the slalom.

In womens slalom, Leigh Hellrung, Molly Munsterer, and Mary Butler took first, third, and fourth to beat runner-up Michigan by over five seconds. Hellrung and Munsterer topped that great finish with a one-two showing in the giant slalom, while Butler placed sixth. Alanna Lungren and Lindsay May finished 9th and 21st, respectively, to help the club narrowly edge a strong Michigan State team, 119.67-121.24.

Leimkuehler paced the men in the giant slalom with his 14th place while Kieran Norton, Sean Glennan, and Leif Petterson all contributed to the mens scoring. Jesse Hensley, Cory Ryan, and Mike Ryan all received identical times of 28.63 seconds on their second runs.

Next week, the club will travel to Marquette, Mich. for the regional championships, which serve as qualifiers for

nationals.

**Womens Water Polo**

Led by Brigette Alge and Sarah Todnem, the Irish finished 3-2 in this weekend's Michigan State Invitational. The women opened with a 13-5 loss to the host Spartans, the two time defending national champions. Kristy Bohling's three goals led the Irish, with fellow freshman Katie Lantos and junior Allison Gienko each finding the net once.

The Irish rebounded to defeat Ohio State 12-2 in the second game as Gienko and Bohling each scored three goals, and Margo Klosterman and Kimmy Moore each splashed home a pair. Kendra Harmon and Christina Hoover completed the scoring for the Irish.

The Irish continued to display a well balanced attack as Moore, Sarah Todnem, Bohling, Lantos, and Meghan Grezlak all ripped the nets in a close 7-5 loss to Purdue. Again rebounding from defeat, the Irish forced Northwestern to overtime and then controlled action with a 3-0 finish to post a 7-4 victory. Gienko and Bohling again tallied twice each, while Klosterman, Moore, and Lantos all fired home goals.

A tired Irish squad came out on top in a shootout, defeating Eastern Michigan 12-8 in the finale. Lantos had another huge performance as she accounted for four goals. Klosterman, Gienko, and Bohling each contributed two goals, with Moore and Grezlak each finding the net

once.

**Womens Ice Hockey**

The Notre Dame women's ice hockey team displayed marked improvement in skating, stick handling, and teamwork this weekend, yet dropped two closely contested games at the Joyce Center. Although losing to Oakland by scores of 6-2 and 3-1, the Irish were competitive from start to finish in both contests and for long periods actually dominated play. Megan Mattia and Angelina Zerhbach rocketed in two goals for the Irish in the opener, while Anne Wenger was credited with 21 saves.

The second game was close throughout as Mattia again scored midway through the second period. A late Oakland goal in the third period ended the Irish hopes for the comeback.

After being outshot 27-13 in the first game, the Irish attack equaled Oakland on Sunday, with 17 shots on goal for each squad.

**Equestrian**

The Notre Dame / Saint Mary's equestrian club featured several fine performances at the Purdue Invitational this weekend. In open fences, Molly Kopacz tied for second, while Saint Mary's Katie Heywood and Megan Hoffman took second and fourth. Kopacz and Hoffman finished first and third in open flat. Liz Bell and Julia Burke tied for second in intermediate fences and took fourth and third respectively in intermediate flat. Completing Saturday's

action, Saint Mary's Marta Ascadi, second, Claire Berezowitz, third, and Alexa Garot, sixth represented the club in the walk-trot-canter event, while Heather Dzedzic, second, Elena Burton, fourth, Marita Murphy and Cecilia Hopkins, who each tied for sixth, performed in the walk-trot event.

Highlights of Sunday's action saw Heywood, Hoffman, and Kopacz place second, third, and fifth in open fences, with Hoffman 2nd in open flats as well.

Katy Ryan finished third in novice fences, Liz Bell took second in intermediate flats, and Marta Ascadi earned second in walk-trot-canter.

**Gymnastics**

Building upon a rich heritage of success, the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's gymnastics club opened its season in Oxford, Ohio at the Miami Cup.

The womens squad has been ranked among the top seven teams in the country for each of the past five years, while the mens squad boasts five top five finishes,

including two national championships.

This year's squads may lack the depth of recent editions, but the club still has some impressive performers.

At Miami, the womens squad placed second among 10 teams, including Purdue, Ohio State, Washington State, Virginia Tech, Indiana, Illinois, Eastern Michigan, Xavier, and Miami.

Senior Emily Smith and freshman Anne St. Clair placed first and second, respectively, in the all-around competition. Smith took first on the uneven bars and the balance beam, while St. Clair placed second on uneven bars and in the floor exercise.

Sophomore Caitlin O'Brien placed second on the vault and fourth on the balance beam, while Mary Blazewicz and Kristi Peterson also scored points for the Irish.

Pete Blouin was the top performer for the men, competing in floor exercise, still rings, and high bar.

Mike Gartner, Eric Eddy, and freshman Aaron Robery and Andrew Roberts completed the Irish line-up.

**Bball**

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wants to keep his team focused on the possibility of winning its second West Division title in three years.

Notre Dame's victory over the Panthers Sunday gave them a 7-2 conference record and pulled them a half-game ahead of Pittsburgh and No. 17 Syracuse for first in the West Division. Ironically, Notre Dame's next game is at Syracuse on Sunday, who handed Pittsburgh its other conference loss.

"Let's just focus on Pittsburgh and the West Division," Brey said he told his team last week. "We said if we can beat Pittsburgh, we're right tied up in this thing, knotted up down the stretch. And I think that helps us stay focused on our day-to-day stuff, instead of 'Are we going to be in Indy?'"

The road doesn't get much easier after Saturday's game. The Irish host Virginia Tech, No. 23 Connecticut and Syracuse and travel to West Virginia, Rutgers and Georgetown.

But Brey is counting on senior Matt Carroll to help keep the Irish focused on winning the West Division title. As a sophomore two years ago, Carroll played a key role in helping the Irish to capture a division title and hang a banner in the Joyce Center.

Now, he — and the rest of the Irish — has a chance to do it again.

"I think our guys know," Brey said, "they can say, 'We're tied for first. We're playing for a banner.'"

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**JUMBLE**

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**JUMBLE**

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME  
by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

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

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

Answer: □ □ □ □ □ THE □ □ □ □ □

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: RAPID YEARN DECEIT WEASEL  
Answer: What she got when she bought that handbag — "CARRIED" AWAY

**CROSSWORD**

WILL SHORTZ

**HOROSCOPE**

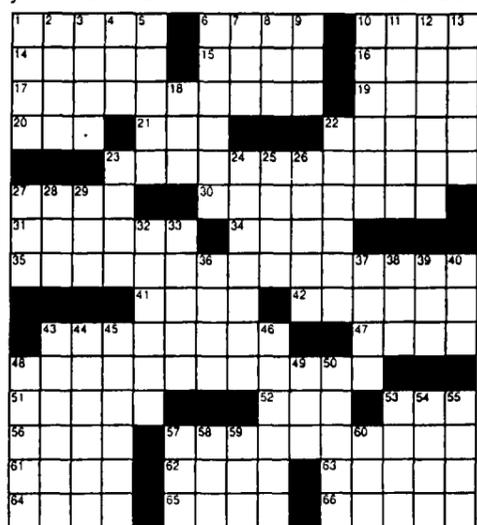
EUGENIA LAST

**The New York Times Crossword**

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Pat Boone's "\_\_\_ Love"
  - 6 Symbol of redness
  - 10 Norway's patron saint
  - 14 Cranberry product
  - 15 Brand for Bowser
  - 16 Place to stack money
  - 17 35-Across, from 1955-61
  - 19 Finish line, perhaps
  - 20 Windy City trains
  - 21 Gist
  - 22 Hindu royal: Var.
  - 23 35-Across in 1964
  - 27 Syndicate head
  - 30 Program airing
  - 31 One who opens a can of worms?
  - 34 Hospitalized patient's state
  - 35 See 17-, 23-, 48- and 57-Across
  - 41 Otherwise
  - 42 City opposite Ciudad Juárez
  - 43 Issues in paperback, perhaps
  - 47 Barely managed, with "out"
  - 48 35-Across in 1994
  - 51 Carroll girl
  - 52 Spawner in the Sargasso Sea
  - 53 One way to the WWW
  - 56 Actor Moranis
  - 57 35-Across in 1946
  - 61 Allot, with "out"
- DOWN**
- 1 Court great Arthur
  - 2 One of the Fab Four
  - 3 Hairpieces, slangily
  - 4 "\_\_\_ bin ein Berliner"
  - 5 Hotelier Helmsley
  - 6 Its stakes may be a beer
  - 7 Inventor Whitney
  - 8 It rates m.p.g.
  - 9 Whole bunch
  - 10 Chief Pontiac, e.g.
  - 11 Tropical vines
  - 12 Trumpeter Herb
  - 13 Admiral's force
  - 18 Bowery \_\_\_
  - 22 Carmaker's woe
  - 23 Finger-in-the-socket consequence
  - 24 Spies seek them
  - 25 Swill
  - 26 Fiesta Bowl site
  - 27 Crow's sound
  - 28 "\_\_\_ number can play"
  - 29 Links org.
  - 32 Forever, poetically
  - 33 Vestige
  - 36 "It comes \_\_\_ surprise"
  - 37 Mimicker
  - 38 Talk, talk, talk
  - 39 Cleveland-to-Baltimore dir.
  - 40 Serling of "The Twilight Zone"
  - 43 Depends (on)
  - 44 Forces out
  - 45 Striker, often
  - 46 Sound system
  - 48 Destiny
  - 49 Napoleonic marshal
  - 50 Spritlike
  - 53 Visitor to Siam
  - 54 German border river
  - 55 Unseen "Mary Tyler Moore Show" character
  - 57 \_\_\_ and Swiss
  - 58 Swelled head
  - 59 Court divider
  - 60 Common lunchtime



Puzzle by Gene Newman

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EAVE OMIT CLOWN  
ERAS HIDE CABLE  
YESSIRREEBOB  
ASTER PALACES  
ROGUE TAMALE  
WHOANELLY ARID  
HOP SEAMAPS GAG  
IVES NOWAYJOSE  
TERESA SNORE  
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# SPORTS

Tuesday, February 11, 2003

## MENS BASKETBALL

# Big East season title still top goal for Irish

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

A blank NCAA Tournament bracket hangs in Mike Brey's office, but the Irish coach isn't too concerned about March Madness yet.

That's why he posted the Big East West Division standings in the locker room last week, a way of reminding his team that there's still a lot of regular-season basketball to be played.

But few could blame Brey and the 19-4 Irish for wanting to look ahead. They've never been in this situation before.

In Brey's first two years with the Irish, Notre Dame entered February needing to scrap its way into an NCAA Tournament berth. Thanks to a strong finish both years, they earned a sixth seed in 2001 and an eighth seed last year.

Now, at this point in the season, they don't have to worry whether they'll make the NCAA Tournament. The only bracket-related question still left to answer is how high Notre Dame will be seeded.

"I know every day there's a mock bracket," Brey said after Notre Dame beat Pittsburgh 66-64 Sunday. "They've got us playing here, and then we're playing there, and people are starting to talk about it. It's exciting that we're involved in

it."

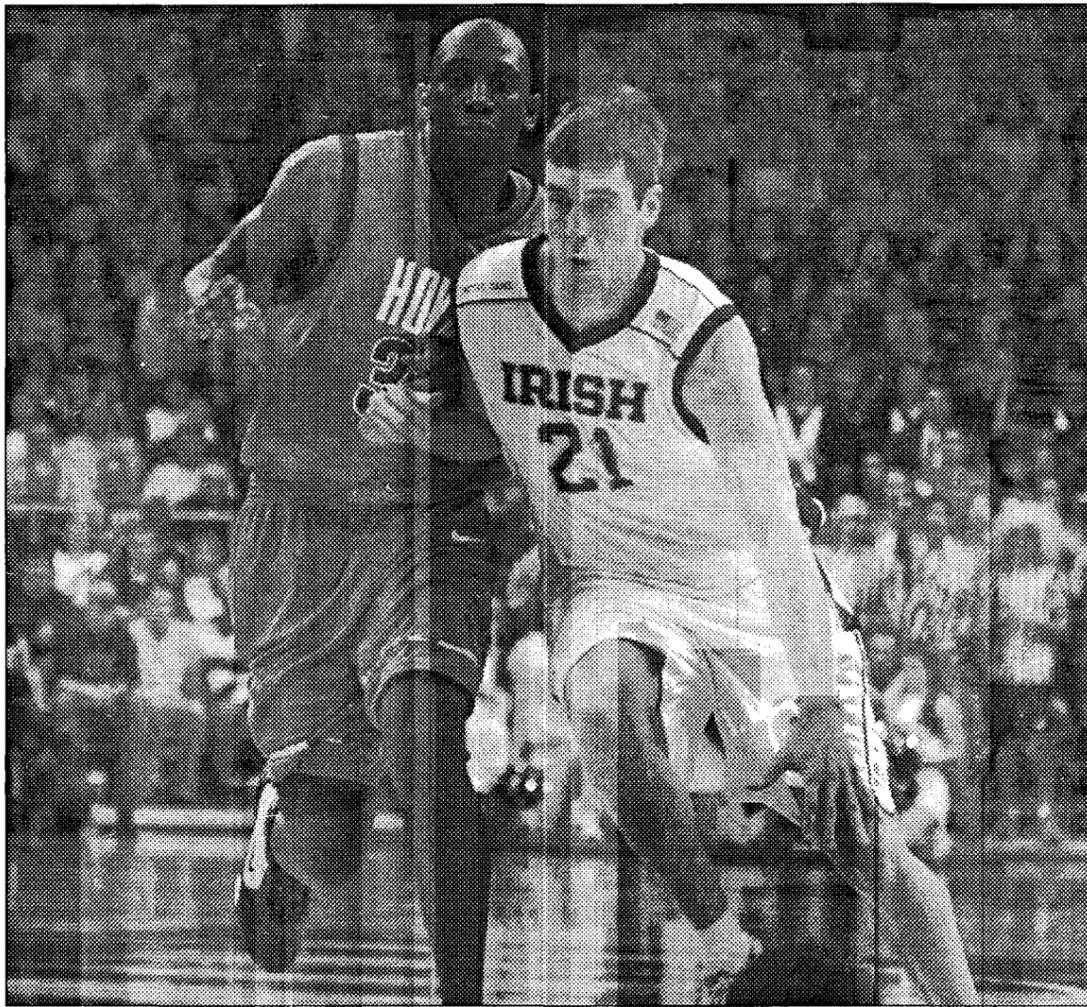
Although the Irish leapt a spot to No. 9 in the coaches' poll — they stayed at No. 10 in the media poll — the only ranking that matters come NCAA Tournament time is the RPI figure used to evaluate a team based on its record and schedule strength. Notre Dame is currently ranked eighth in the RPI standings, which the NCAA Committee uses to help determine seeding come March.

Most impressive on Notre Dame's RPI resume is the number of wins over Top 50 RPI foes. This season, the Irish knocked off No. 2 Texas, No. 17 Marquette, No. 20 Pittsburgh and No. 32 Maryland. Notre Dame's four losses came to Pittsburgh, Creighton, Kentucky and Seton Hall — all ranked in the top 50 in the RPI.

If the tournament were held today, ESPN.com bracketologist Joe Lunardi predicts Notre Dame would be a No. 2 seed playing in Indianapolis. Since last year, the NCAA tends to place highly-seeded teams close to home. The higher the seed, the greater the chance a team could play within driving distance.

For Brey, all the tournament talk is exciting to hear. But he

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CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Senior forward Dan Miller pushes past a Georgetown player during an Irish win earlier in the season. Notre Dame is focused on winning a Big East West Division title.

## FENCING

# Irish bring out brooms with sweep at Duke

By MATT LOZAR  
Sports Editor

When the national championships roll around in less than six weeks, the team with the highest combined score wins the title. At the Duke Duals this past weekend, the Irish showed a resilient team attitude with the mens and womens team each sweeping five matches.



Bedarski

"It was excellent. The whole team did a wonderful job," junior epeeist Kerry Walton said. "We were a little disap-

pointed that the men and women weren't fencing on the same day. We didn't get to cheer each other on as much as we could, but when the whole team was together, it was great."

While all of the wins by Notre Dame's womens team were by at least nine points, the individual weapons had to pick each other up in two of those victories. Against Air Force, the epee and sabre squads each went 5-4, but the foil squad created some cushion with an 8-1 record.

In the matchup with Stanford, the epee squad was 9-0 while the sabre squad was 7-2. This time, those two weapons helped the foil squad, which went 3-6 in a tough matchup against 2001 NCAA Champion Iris Zimmerman. The total team effort comes from Notre Dame's

overall team depth.

"We can all back each other up. I think we have the strongest team overall," Walton said. "There are some teams that excel in one weapon. I feel we have the strongest overall team. The other two teams can pick up the extra wins when the other weapon faces a tough opponent."

Notre Dame sophomore and defending national champion Alicja Kryczalo surprisingly dropped two bouts this weekend. Kryczalo, who lost only twice last season, has a record of 36-3 this year.

On the mens side, senior foil captain Ozren Debic continued his dominating season with a perfect 15-0 record at Duke. Debic is now 42-1 on the season and on pace for one of the best seasons in Notre Dame fencing history.

"Oz is fencing amazing," sophomore foilist Derek Snyder said. "He has beaten some really strong people this year."

"Our foil team is really prepared for NCAAs this year."

Against the sixth-ranked Cardinal, the Irish cruised to victory by getting six wins at each weapon for an 18-9 win.

*"We fenced really well. We proved we can go in there and sweep the tourney and have a strong showing at the NCAA's"*

Derek Snyder  
sophomore foilist

Sophomore epeeist Michal Sobieraj, senior sabreman Matt Fabricant and Debic each recorded three win against Stanford.

"We fenced really well," Snyder said. "We proved we can go in there and sweep the tourney and have a strong showing at NCAAs."

With the new national rankings scheduled to be released later this week, wins over No. 4 Ohio State, No. 1 Penn State and No. 6 Stanford all but guarantee the Notre Dame mens team will take over the top spot in the polls for the third consecutive year.

The five victories extend the mens dual match-winning streak to 78.

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SPORTS  
AT A GLANCE

### MENS BASKETBALL

Notre Dame is not letting its 19-4 record go to its head. The focus is still on the Big East West Division season title as the Irish prepare to face the rest of their season.

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### FENCING

Notre Dame def. Stanford, North Carolina, Johns Hopkins, Duke and Air Force

The Notre Dame fencing team continued a strong showing by decisively sweeping the Duke Duals this past weekend.

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### CLUB SPORTS

The Irish ski club continued its domination of slalom and giant slalom by winning the MCSA Divisional Championships this weekend.

The womens water polo team finished 3-2 at the Michigan State Invitational this weekend with wins over Ohio State and Eastern Michigan.

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