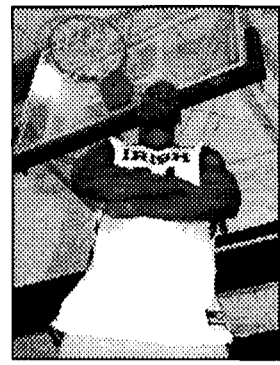


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## Marine to undergo surgery

### ◆ ND alum injured in Humvee accident in Iraq

By HELENA PAYNE  
Senior Staff Writer

The wife of Marine graduate, Dustin Ferrell, said he will undergo further surgery today after he was injured Saturday in a Humvee accident involving three others on duty for the war in Iraq.

Rachael Ferrell, a 1998 Saint Mary's graduate, said she has only been able to communicate with her husband on the phone by having him respond to "yes" or "no" questions by tapping on the phone.

Ferrell, a 2000 graduate of Notre Dame, was flown Monday night to Germany's Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, approximately a 10 hour flight from the Kuwaiti armed forces hospital where he was brought shortly after the accident, Rachael Ferrell said.

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## STUDENT SENATE

# Students support in-hall dances

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS  
News Writer

At their last meeting of the 2003-04 term, Senate passed a letter and resolution regarding the ban on in-hall dances that was implemented this fall.

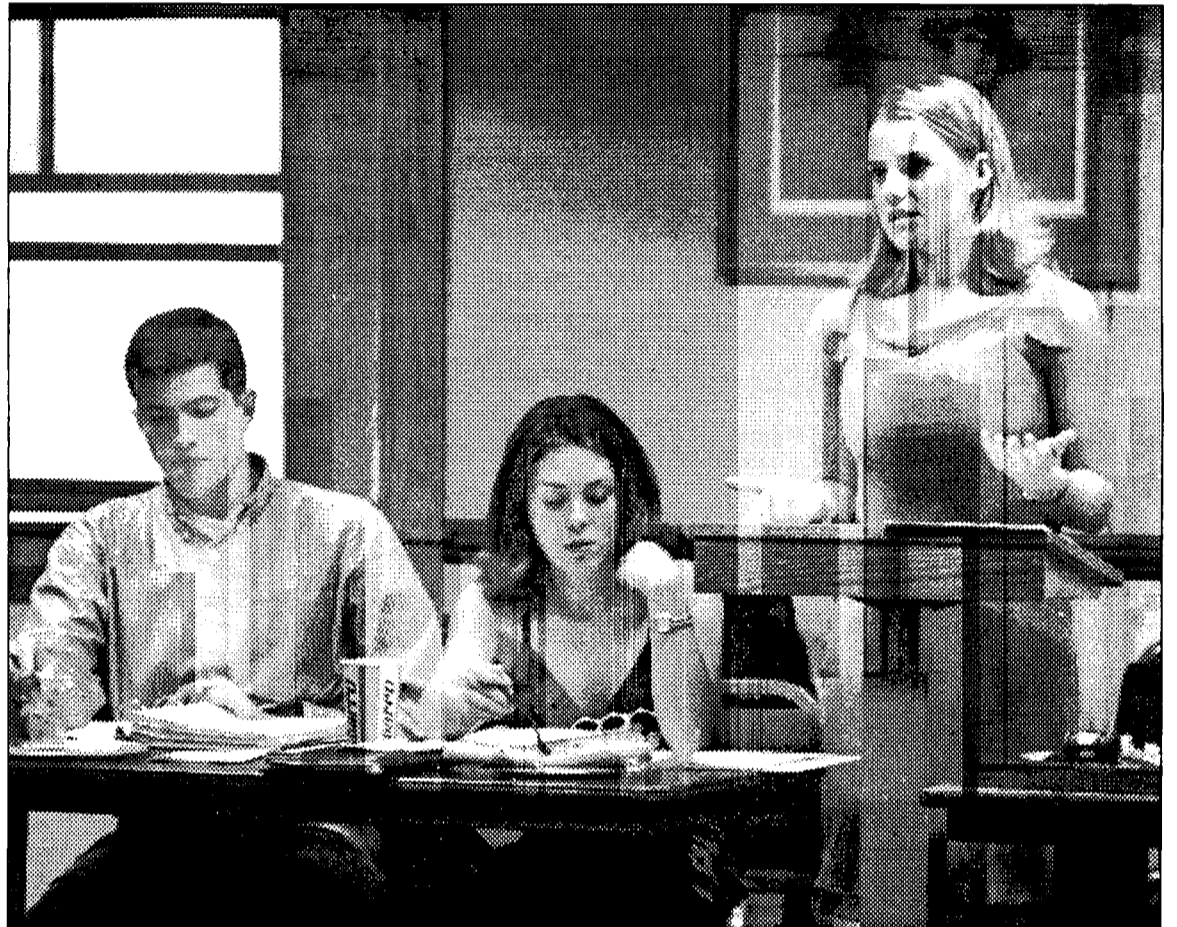
The letter, addressed to the Campus Life Council, asks that the ban on in-hall dances be reexamined for a probationary period.

The letter states that the Senate "applauds the administration's concern behind the [ban on hard alcohol]," and believes the policy "will help to improve unhealthy consumption habits," but that "banning of in-hall dances ... should not have been necessary until all options had been explored."

Senators believe officials should have observed the effects of the hard-alcohol ban before taking away the in-hall dances, the letter said.

Senators were concerned about the effects of the ban on campus tradi-

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Brin Anderson talks to the Senate Wednesday as they discuss possible changes to student football lottery tickets.

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## Nader discusses corporate ethics

By JULIA MILLER-LEMON  
News Writer

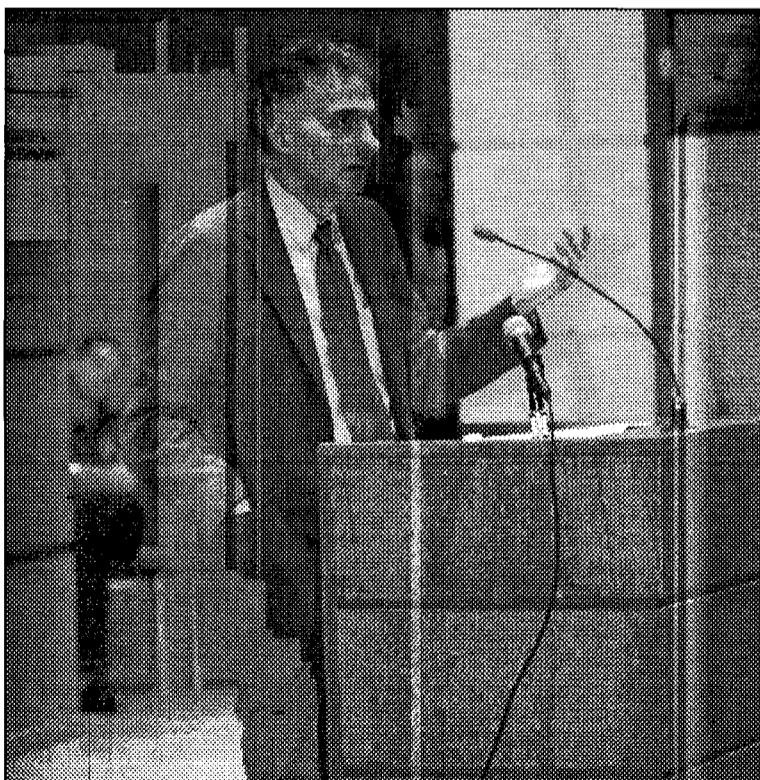
Americans must question corporate practices and take action when they believe corporations are behaving unethically, Ralph Nader, consumer advocate and former 2000 Green Party presidential candidate, said at Wednesday's lecture titled "Legislating Corporate Ethics."

"If you want to make sure that these companies behave, you have to empower the owners and the victims," Nader said. "It's the lack of power of the people who pay the final price that is the root of the fraudulence that occurred."

Nader said that corporate ethics can be synonymous with corporate crime, and that major corporations are responsible for more deaths and disease each year than street crimes.

Since 2001, Nader said there have been 58,000 deaths due to work-related accidents, 65,000 deaths due to air pollution caused by major industrial corporations, 85,000 fatalities as a result of medical malpractice and 42,000 deaths of highway workers according to the Department of Transportation.

On the other hand, street crimes punishable by law are only responsible for an estimated 14,000 deaths each year. Nader said he believes that cor-



SOFIA BALLON/The Observer

Ralph Nader spoke at the JACC on Wednesday about business ethics and corporate culture.

porate crime is really a source of violence not recognized by the law.

Nader argued that corporate ethics must encompass a vast spectrum of values, including honest internal auditing and a fair treatment of employees.

The heightened levels of greed and corruption in the business

world today make the need for a new type of corporate ethics all the more necessary, Nader explained.

"No one thought this kind of corruption would happen," Nader said, specifically referring to the corruption evident in the

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## Review unlikely to return to SouthQuad

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS  
News Writer

After Student Senate passed a resolution March 19 calling for the return of the ROTC Presidential Pass in Review to South Quad, a University spokesman said the school is unlikely to take action on the Senate resolution.

Matt Storin, a spokesperson for the University, said the Campus Life Council must approve a Senate resolution before the administration can act on it. Because Student Body Vice President Trip Foley submitted the resolution directly to University President Father Edward Malloy and bypassed CLC, the resolution will probably not be acted upon.

The ceremony honoring cadets, which includes speeches from University President Father Edward Malloy and University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh, was moved to Loftus from South Quad several years ago as a result of inclement weather.

Foley sent the ROTC resolution to University President Father Edward Malloy along with a letter explaining the

Senate's actions on the resolution as well as their opinion on the matter.

"I sent it to him because I think in this situation, he's the person to go to," said Foley, who chairs Senate. "He's the one who decides about the Pass in Review."

Foley said once the Senate passes a resolution, it is sent to the appropriate part of the administration for review and debate.

The University does not take any action or react to resolutions passed solely by the Senate, said Storin, but may review those resolutions as it receives them.

However, Storin also said that the ROTC department has already begun planning this year's ceremony, which could possibly make a location change for this year difficult.

"It is our understanding that the ROTC command has already made its plans to have the ceremony indoors and they're not contemplating any change in those plans," Storin said.

Colonel David Mosinski, chair of the Department of Military Science, said the Review would benefit from a more public outdoor setting.

**INSIDE COLUMN**

# Think before you protest

After hours of coverage of the war in Iraq, South Bend's CBS affiliate cut away to show a conflict of a different sort — the one at home, created by those who oppose the war. In Chicago, anti-war protesters clashed with those who support of U.S. involvement in the war. In Oregon, a raucous group burned an American flag. In San Francisco, protesters staged a "vomit-in," regurgitating red-dyed milk on the steps of City Hall to show their disgust with the war.

**Kristin Yemm**

*Viewpoint Editor*

Americans who choose to protest the war in these and other ways undeniably have the right to do so. Our First Amendment right to assemble and express an opinion represents the bedrock of our liberty and sets us apart from people in countries like Iraq — where every move and word are watched and grounds for exile, torture or execution.

So when I saw the television coverage and read the newspaper reports of the thousands of protesters with slogans like "No Blood For Oil," "The Inspections Were Working" and "Regime Change in America" and professions of concern for the Iraqi people, I didn't question their right to protest. I do, however, question their judgment in doing so.

By breaking the law — over 1,500 were arrested in San Francisco — they divert police attention and cities' anti-terrorism resources. They fail to support the thousands of Americans overseas who are prepared to make the ultimate sacrifice to protect America and secure freedom for the Iraqi people.

But most of all, they are opposing the removal of a vicious dictator whose crimes against his people should make any civilized person recoil in horror. One institutionalized method of torture involves placing human beings feet first into an industrial machine meant to shred plastic. Another method of torture that particularly delights Saddam is putting people in swimming pools filled with acid and watching them melt.

Saddam, not the U.S. campaign to remove him, deserves a "vomit-in." Saddam, not President Bush, poses the greatest threat to the Iraqi people. Many of the protesters claim to oppose the war out of concern for them, but they should first consider the testimony of people like Ajami Saadoun Khis of Safwan, who had this message for the soldiers who came to his city in southern Iraq: "You just arrived. You're late. What took you so long? God help you become victorious."

Iraqi dissident Kanan Makiya writes that despite worry for friends and family in Iraq, "[The bombs] are like bells tolling for liberation in a country that has been turned into a gigantic concentration camp ... For Iraqis, the absence of this new American-led war is not the presence of peace."

The war underway in Iraq will bring freedom and human rights to the Iraqi people, neither of which they have a hope of possessing while Saddam remains in power. Opposing this war to remove him condemns the Iraqi people to continued misery under his tyranny and is a wasted exercise of a cherished American right.

*The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Kristin Yemm at kyemm@nd.edu*

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Amy Richards and Jennifer Baumgardner discuss conventional stereotypes at Saint Mary's Wednesday.	Iraqis cheered the arrival of a food convoy that had been delayed for days by a sandstorm, mines and fighting in southern Iraq.	A new website, RiddleMelrish.com, allows students to compete online for prizes and a bookstore shopping spree.	ROTC senior and Viewpoint columnist Andrew DeBerry discusses the potential of pacifism for American culture.	Scene gives a thumbs up to "Tears of the Sun" and "Piglet's Big Movie."	The Notre Dam softball team lost both games of a doubleheader to the Wildcats Wednesday.
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**WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND**

- ◆ A Life of Service: Lecture with Francie Schmuhl 4 p.m. at DeBartolo 118
- ◆ Movie: Bread and Tulips 7 p.m. at Hesburgh Library, Carey Auditorium
- ◆ "I Exist:Voices from the Gay Lesbian and Gay Middle Eastern Community in the United States" 7 p.m. at Montgomery Theatre, LaFortune Hall

**WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC**

- ◆ Play of the Mind Meeting 3:30 p.m. at Hagggar College Center Room 303
- ◆ Sophomore 80's Night 7 p.m. at Hagggar Parlor
- ◆ Student Academic Awards Night 7 p.m. at Stapleton Lounge

**WHAT'S GOING DOWN**

- Car towed for illegal parking**  
A visitor's vehicle was towed for a parking violation Tuesday afternoon from Moose Krause Circle.
- Car hit near Stepan Center**  
A university employee reported Tuesday that her car was struck March 20 or 21 in lot B16 by an unknown vehicle.
- Student taken to Health Center**  
NDSP transported a student to the University Health Center Tuesday for treatment of injuries sustained during a fall near the Information Technology Center.
- Juveniles removed from bus**  
NDSP assisted a Transpo bus driver in removing unruly juveniles from the bus Tuesday afternoon. They were identified and released to a parent.
- Student sustains injury near Rock**  
A student was transported to St. Joseph Regional Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury sustained near the Rockne Memorial Tuesday night.

*-compiled from the NDSP crime blotter*

**WHAT'S COOKING**

**North Dining Hall**

**Today's Lunch:** Breaded cheese sticks, marinara sauce, meatball stroganoff sauce, supreme pizza, breadsticks, smoked creole flank steak roasted poupon potatoes brown sauce chicken gravy whipped potatoes corn, apple cobbler, pasta primavera, swiss spinach bake, oriental vegetables, baked potatoes, cream of wheat

**Today's Dinner:** Pork loin with apples, hot applesauce, brown sauce, pork gravy, whipped potatoes, peas, apple cobbler, baked haddock jardiniere, corn, steamed carrots, steamed broccoli, mixed vegetables, baked sweet potatoes, steakhouse fries

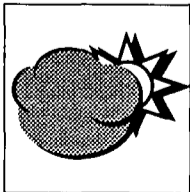
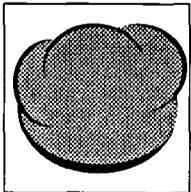

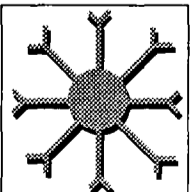
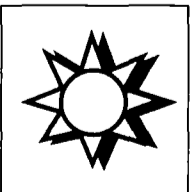
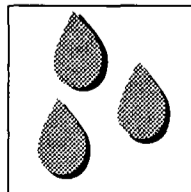
**South Dining Hall**

**Today's Lunch:** pasta shells primavera, gorgonzola sauce, cheese and pepperoni french bread pizza, London broil with wine marinade, turkey turnover, cheddar-crumbed scrod, collard greens with ham hocks, shrimp creole, potatoes au gratin, whipped potatoes, cut corn, sliced carrots, broccoli cuts

**Today's Dinner:** Roast top sirloin of beef, fresh grilled Polish sausage, southern-fried chicken, Polish-style kluski noodles, boiled cabbage, rotini with spring vegetables, whipped potatoes, cut corn, baked potatoes, broccoli cuts, collard greens with ham hocks

**Saint Mary's Dining Hall**

No menu available

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**CORRECTIONS**

In Mark Leen's letter to the editor published Wednesday a quote attributed to Meghan O'Donnell should have been attributed to Seth O'Donnell. In Wednesday's story "Marine graduate injured in Iraq war," the name of Dustin Ferrell's wife was misspelled. The correct spelling is Rachael Ferrell. The Observer regrets this error.

# Development office to undergo transition period

By MEGHANNE DOWNES  
News Editor

As the development office

awaits the formal announcement of the University's next strategic plan and the subsequent development of a capital campaign, it will undergo a

transition period as positions are reshuffled and created. Lou Nanni, vice president for University relations, said promotions were made and a new

position was created in order to increase development funding and the number of contributions.

"[These changes] would make the University even better," Nanni said.

Dan Reagan, assistant vice president for University relations and executive director of development for Notre Dame, received a promotion earlier this year to the newly created position of associate vice president for University relations and executive director for principal gifts and campaign administration.

Nanni said the position was created because many of Notre Dame's peer institutions have equivalent positions. He added that the move was not connected to the downturn in the economy or the decreased University endowment.

Nanni said the University needed to be more strategic in looking for major gifts, which are considered those that are above \$5 million. Reagan will focus on and cultivate a group of prospective major gifts donors for the University's next capital campaign.

Reagan, who has been part of the development staff since 1984, worked extensively on the Generations capital campaign, which raised approximately \$1 billion dollars. Nanni said he expects the next campaign will be established following University President Father Edward Malloy's May report to the Board of Trustees titled "Notre Dame 2010: A Quest for Leadership," which explores campus wide strategic

planning.

Nanni said some of this planning would have to be assessed for feasibility given the war and the current economic situation. Reagan would play a critical role in the interpretation of this assessment and the development, operation and execution of this plan, said Nanni.

"Dan has been a senior administrator in developmental operations and an instrumental leader in the largest campaign ever in Catholic education," Nanni said. "He embraces the ideals of Notre Dame and is respected by his peers inside and outside of the University. He garnered great respect from alumni."

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**Lou Nanni**  
vice president for University relations

Two assistant vice presidents will fill the position that Reagan will vacate this summer.

Timothy Rippinger, director of development operations, will be in charge of leadership or six-figure gifts, regional development, estate gifts, the research office and stewardship.

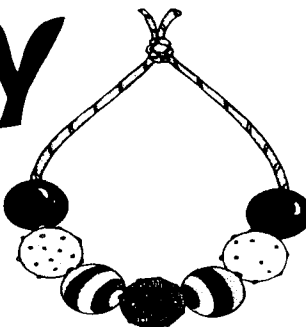
"Tim is the consummate professional and represents, so very well, the values of Notre Dame," Nanni said in a press release. "We fell fortunate to have someone of Tim's caliber with the specific fund-raising experience he possesses. From regional development to the management and orchestration of a large staff, Tim is a perfect fit to lead this critically important area of the University."

The development office is searching for someone to fill the other assistant vice president position, which would be in charge of national programs.


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- Sylvia Dillon, Campus Ministry, 1-7163
- John Dillon, Campus Ministry, 1-7163
- Susan Steibe-Pasalich, Counseling Center, 1-7336
- Ann E. Thompson, Health Services, 1-8286

**South Bend Community Resources:**

- Women's Care Center: 234-0363
- Catholic Charities: 234-3111



## Students concerned about study abroad

By MARY BETH BROVIAK  
News Writer

With the out break of war in the Iraq and the occurrence of sometimes-violent protests in European countries, Saint Mary's students currently overseas and those considering studying abroad face concerns about their safety.

Along with individual American embassies in foreign countries, the State Department issued guidelines for Americans abroad, and Saint Mary's abroad programs follow these guidelines depending on the danger in each particular country.

"The policy at Saint Mary's is the policy of the State Department," said Renee King, a French professor and director of the College's Dijon, France program.

King said she believes Saint Mary's students abroad in France are safe. Should concerns arise, Cultural Experiences Abroad — the organization that facilitates the College's Dijon program — has its own policies for dealing with dangers to students and evacuations if they become necessary.

Sophomore Haley Samuelson, currently studying abroad at the National

University in Maynooth, Ireland, said program director Peggy McCarthy went over Saint Mary's guidelines issued by the security office and advised students to contact her immediately should a conflict arise.

Samuelson said she and other Americans were warned by the American embassy not to attend last month's anti-war protests because of concerns about the events turning against Americans, but she decided to attend anyway.

"We went and people seemed really happy that we were there," Samuelson said.

Additionally, students scheduled to study abroad next semester face the decision of whether to travel overseas because of concerns over safety.

Freshman Carrie Brisson, who is considering studying in Rome next year, said her decision would not be affected by the situation in Iraq.

"War doesn't affect my thoughts on going abroad, although it may affect my mother's," she said. "You just have to go on with your life [and] not let those things affect you."

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"[The ceremony] is a show of our organization, its discipline and its members. It's for the whole community and an outdoor setting would always be better, I believe, for the whole community," he said. "When the military conducts Pass in Reviews, they are traditionally outdoors."

ROTC officials and cadets praise the ceremony as a way for the program to be publicly recognized and for the cadets to be honored. During the ceremony, senior ROTC members

receive awards and the cadets march past Malloy in a ceremonial inspection.

However, campus peace organizations have protested the ceremony in the past couple of years because they oppose a public military presence on a Catholic campus.

"I do not think that ROTC should be on Notre Dame's campus," said Tom Feeney, a representative of Pax Christi, a Catholic student group.

However, Feeney added that ROTC should be acknowledged as long as it is on campus.

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## Lecturers discuss women's issues

By EMILY BRAMMER  
News Writer

Women today should question traditional stereotypes about women's issues when taking positions on such topics as the abortion issue, said lecturers Amy Richards and Jennifer Baumgardner Wednesday.

Richards and Jennifer, co-authors of "Manifesta: Young Women, Feminism, and the Future," discussed the Third Wave, a new generation of feminism, in their talk titled "Can I Be a Feminist and...Shave, Love My Boyfriend, Make Money, Get Married, Be Pro-Life?"

Richards and Baumgardner explained the context in which their ideas of feminism were formed. Both women grew up witnessing their mothers practice the ideas of the Second Wave feminism in the framework of their everyday life.

"We've had the privilege of growing up with our mother's ideas of feminism in the '70s, but we're trying to define what it means for us now," said Richards.

Their talk concentrated on the

predominant uncertainties that many contemporary women have in justifying feminism with their personal beliefs.

"I constantly hear women ask, 'Can I be pro-life and be a feminist?' or 'Can I support a certain piece of legislation and still be a feminist?'" said Baumgardner. "Basically what these women were asking is 'Can I be myself and be a feminist?'"

Richards and Baumgardner explained that personal decision-making in life should not be dependent on the predominant feminist ideas concerning men, the pro-life issue and religion. They also said that many stereotypes do not reflect the true feminist movement.

"We needed men to help advance the feminist movement in the '70s, but the current incarnation of the 'man question' is that we need men to be feminists for their own sake," said Richards.

The speakers also emphasized the importance of diverse personal opinions among feminists.

"We find that some people are agreeing on certain issues, while some people have wildly different opinions and that's great,"

said Baumgardner.

Saint Mary's senior Anne DeCleene decided to try bringing Richards and Baumgardner to campus after reading the authors' book.

"Education on women's issues is lacking in every realm: in grade school, high school, college and in the Michiana community as a whole," said DeCleene. "I wanted to take the empowerment of Manifesta — the enthusiasm and the enlightenment and share it with other men and women."

Both men and women from Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and the South Bend area attended the lecture, which was part of Saint Mary's Third Wave Feminism Symposium.

"I like the idea of the Third Wave of feminism because it specifically gives the people who are maturing and coming into influential roles, the people who are having a voice to be heard, hope and a new spark of energy, rather than just a continuance of previous movements," said Saint Mary's junior Zoe Zelazny.

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## Nader

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Enron scandal.

Nader also discussed the current economic state of our country. Though the economy was growing at an unprecedented rate, Nader was concerned about the high numbers of lower class citizens.

"Why are there poor people?," said Nader. "Why are 25 percent of children raised in poverty? Why are public services crumbling before our

eyes?"

According to Nader, Americans do not ask for the answers to such important questions because they are conditioned by the corporate business culture

Nader challenged college students to respond differently to that corporate culture.

"You are not here just to learn a trade. You're here for the liberal arts...to develop critical minds [and] to develop minds that reach the heights of human possibility," Nader said.

A key component of the policy of social accountability that

Nader discussed was preventability.

"Being effective citizens is fundamental for a just democracy," Nader said.

Citizen impact on the accountability and integrity of corporations needs to be redefined, said Nader.

"[There is] a moral imperative for students like you who are in the top 2 percent of students nation-wide to do something. You are the peak of your idealism," said Nader.

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## Out and Back: How Notre Dame Prepared Me for the "Real" World

Mark Massoud

Notre Dame BA '99 MA '00  
Founding member of the Standing Committee  
on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs: 1996-1999

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Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup>



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## IRAQ

# Needy Iraqis cheer arrival of delayed relief convoy

Associated Press

### UMM QASR

The first sizable relief convoy rolled into Iraq on Wednesday bringing water, tuna, crackers and other food to Iraqis, some of whom cheered as they swarmed allied troops handing out supplies. "Eat, eat!" shouted an Iraqi boy of about 10, pointing to his mouth as the trucks lumbered past.

The relief effort had been delayed for days by a sandstorm, mined waterways and fierce fighting across southern Iraq. Three days after President Bush promised "massive amounts" of humanitarian aid, seven battered tractor-trailers entered Umm Qasr, escorted by U.S. soldiers.

They carried hundreds of cases of water stacked on three of the semis, as well as boxes of tuna, crackers, sweets and other food.

"We planned for 30 trucks but we only got seven loaded because of the severe sandstorm," said E.J. Russell of the Humanitarian Operations Center, a joint U.S.-Kuwaiti agency. The storm cut visibility to 100 yards.

Iraqi youths cheered and swarmed British troops as they handed out yellow meal packets and bottled water. The troops, already in the city, were not part of the aid convoy.

Two tanker trucks filled with

fresh water were mobbed by crowds of Iraqi civilians lugging bottles, jars and other containers.

"Very good, but it's not enough," one man shouted. "It's not enough, only two tankers. Not enough, two vehicles. Not enough, please. We need a good water supply."

British Capt. Brad Percival said allied forces were eager to win the trust of Iraqi civilians.

"This is the first time the water has been brought to this location," said Percival of the 23rd Pioneer Regiment. "At the moment they're afraid we're just going to drive off and leave them dry."

"We come to these places for set periods of time. We vary where we go so that hopefully they get to trust us and they know we're going to be there ... They don't have to rush. Today is the first time here. Tomorrow, when we come back, hopefully it'll be less hectic."

An American soldier, speaking in Arabic, announced the arrival of water through a public address system fitted to the roof of a Humvee, the Daily Telegraph of London reported. "Fresh water, fresh water," the crackling voice said. "Please take as much as you can in 20 minutes before we move to another location."

In the nearby town of Safwan, a smaller aid convoy brought by Kuwait's Red Crescent Society



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**Hungry Iraqis grab for boxes of food brought in on an aid convoy from Kuwait to the border town of Safwan. Relief is just starting to trickle into Iraq after a week of fighting cut off most cities from desperately needed supplies.**

was greeted by hundreds of Iraqis.

Many were young men, some shoeless and dirty, who began fighting over the white boxes of aid as soon as the truck doors

opened. Aid workers tossed out the boxes, which disappeared into a forest of grasping hands.

British soldiers tried to keep order, but the crowd dissolved into a chaotic mass of pushing

and shoving.

An official in Kuwait said five trucks were sent to Iraq on Wednesday, loaded with 45,000 boxes of food, and more would be heading out Thursday.

# Mich. teen found with murderer, reunited with family

Associated Press

### SUSANVILLE, Calif.

A teenager found safe after spending 23 days with a convicted murderer is back with her family in Michigan.

Lindsey Diane Ryan, 14, returned to Jones, Mich., after she was reunited with her mother, Carol Ryan, at the Susanville airport late Tuesday.

"She's shaken and not sure what this all means for her, but she's glad to be home and she's cooperating and talking," 41-year-old Carol Ryan said of her daughter. The mother added that "she got more and more relaxed on the way home."

Before her departure, the teen told the California Highway Patrol officers who located her Monday she wants to follow in their footsteps, and hopes to return to California in a year to meet them again.

Convicted killer Terry Drake, 56, was stopped with the girl by two CHP officers near Standish, 90 miles northwest of Reno, Nev.

Police found two stolen guns hidden at the remote mountain campsite north of Susanville along the California-Nevada

state line where the pair spent much of their time. They also found three others in Drake's pickup truck.

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**Carol Ryan**  
mother

Guns, ammunition and \$4,000 were discovered missing from Lindsey's home March 1, when she slipped out her bedroom window to meet up with Drake, police said.

Drake, who is married, spent 16 years in prison after being convicted of murdering a woman from the

Evansville, Ind., area, in 1977. He and Lindsey met at church and, without her parents' knowledge, corresponded over the Internet.

Drake was flown in handcuffs and shackles Wednesday from Susanville to Sacramento on a federal writ charging him with interstate transport of a minor with intent to engage in criminal sexual activity. The charge was handed up by a federal grand jury in Michigan on Tuesday. More federal charges are pending, authorities said.

Drake could also face state charges in Michigan of receiving and concealing stolen firearms, and criminal sexual conduct with a minor. He already faces charges in California.

## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

**U.S. paratroopers land in northern Iraq:** Army airborne forces parachuted into northern Iraq on Wednesday, seizing an airfield for a new front against Saddam Hussein. U.S. and British warplanes bombed an enemy convoy fleeing the besieged city of Basra in the south.

**Pakistan, India trade missile tests:** Pakistan and India conducted tit-for-tat nuclear-capable missile tests Wednesday, pushing their decades-old conflict to the fore with a whoosh of steel and a payload of charged invective. The United States may be focused on the war in Iraq, but the dual missile tests served as a reminder that the world's other conflicts continue. India on Wednesday also accused Pakistan of having a hand in this week's murder of 24 Hindus in disputed Kashmir, and the two countries exchanged heavy artillery across the cease-fire line dividing the Himalayan province between them.

## NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

**Nobel peace winners arrested:** Two Nobel Peace Prize winners, two bishops and Vietnam War activist Daniel Ellsberg were among those arrested near the White House in anti-war protests Wednesday. More than 100 demonstrators in Florida denounced President Bush during his trip to the state. Police said 65 people were taken into custody.

**Bush warns hardest battles lie ahead:** President Bush said Wednesday the war in Iraq is far from over and the toughest battles lie ahead as coalition forces near Baghdad. After rallying troops, Bush flew to Camp David for a war council with British Prime Minister Tony Blair. "I can assure you there will be a day of reckoning for Iraq, and that day is drawing near," Bush told hundreds of cheering American troops and their family members in a packed hangar in Florida.

**Court rules on Elian excess force lawsuit:** Former Attorney General Janet Reno and other federal officials have immunity from an excessive force lawsuit filed by the Miami relatives of young Cuban refugee Elian Gonzalez, an appellate court ruled. Reno, former Immigration and Naturalization Service Commissioner Doris Meissner and former Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder cannot be sued for their official actions unless it can be shown that they knew the agents would violate the Gonzalez family's rights when they seized the boy, the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said in a ruling made public Wednesday.

**Shuttle probe finds clues in melted metal:** The way metal melted in debris from the space shuttle Columbia indicates the leading edge of the shuttle's left wing experienced the hottest temperatures, perhaps offering clues as to where fiery gases penetrated the spacecraft, experts said Wednesday.

## Marine

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The Washington Post reported Wednesday that Landstuhl is the largest U.S. military medical center outside of the United States.

After receiving two deliveries of wounded personnel Monday, the Post said the hospital has been preparing to increase its beds and staff. According to the report, the second group of wounded personnel arrived to Landstuhl with four people on ventilators, which is what Dustin Ferrell used initially to breathe.

"The first day was pretty miserable because all they said was he had a very serious accident," she said.

A major from the Camp Lejeune, North Carolina military base, where Dustin Ferrell worked, called Rachael Ferrell's cell phone and notified her of her husband's situation. After more calls were made by Ferrell's father, Richard, the family soon found out that Dustin Ferrell had to have a field operation in Iraq on his trachea because he was unable to breathe.

Although the family is still piecing information together, Rachael Ferrell said it has been a difficult process.

"We don't have any knowledge as to what happened," she said. "I know it was at night. That's all I really know."

Since Dustin Ferrell is not

supposed to talk, Rachael Ferrell said it was hard to discern how and where the Humvee accident had occurred, although she suspects that his unit might have been in southern Iraq. He responded "no" to the questions of whether his group had hit someone, if the vehicle had rolled over and if someone had hit them said Rachael Ferrell.

Of the four people who were in the Humvee at the time of the accident, Rachael Ferrell said her husband and two others were injured. Another person in the group died and the two who were injured are also staying at Landstuhl.

In Germany, Dustin Ferrell has been under the care of two doctors for his pulmonary contusions and broken bones. The surgery today will be for his mid-facial fractures, Rachael Ferrell said.

The Wednesday Post article referred to a Marine who fit some of the descriptions of Dustin Ferrell. The Marine was at Landstuhl on a ventilator and unable to speak with "extensive facial injuries," though the article said the injuries came from a grenade. Although it is unclear of the Marine's identity, the article said the Marine communicated to Army chaplain Col. David McLean that he wanted to pray.

Currently, Rachael Ferrell is staying with her parents in Porter, Ind. She said she plans to travel to Washington, D.C. soon because she has been told that the military will send her husband to Walter Reed

Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. as early as Saturday.

Dustin Ferrell, 25, is serving his third year in the U.S. Marines Corps. He has been overseas since Jan. 9 when he received orders to "float east," Rachael Ferrell said.

"He wasn't sure where he was going," she said. "As it got closer, obviously he figured it out."

The Post reported today that most Marines from Camp Lejeune in North Carolina, where Dustin Ferrell was stationed, died in an Iraqi ambush in Nasiriya.

Rachael Ferrell, 26, said members of the Notre Dame community have been very supportive during this time.

"It's really scary for anybody who has a loved one in the military," she said.

Members from the Notre Dame Navy ROTC office have contacted her, as well as current and former staff from Zahm Hall where Dustin Ferrell resided as an undergraduate.

Father Jim Lies, former Zahm Hall rector until 2000, said his prayers were with the family of Dustin Ferrell.

"It's difficult to imagine that Dustin, a model of all that we hope our graduates will be, is now lying in a hospital bed somewhere," Lies said, recalling that he was an earnest, thoughtful and dedicated student.

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## Senate

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tion and community as well as the high increases in the cost of dorm dances.

"While we applaud the University for providing temporary funds to partially compensate for these added costs, we fear that the ability of hall councils to provide attractive and feasible dances has nevertheless been compromised," the letter stated.

The letter concluded by stating that because students are now aware of the alcohol problems associated with in-hall dances, they should be given a chance to "demonstrate informed accountability," and asked that "the administration ... work with the student leaders to establish an appropriate format for the in-hall dance to safely and responsibly be reinstated for a probationary period."

The resolution senators passed regarding the in-hall dances also called for a probationary period allowing for the reinstatement of in-hall dances.

"The resolution addresses the concerns we've had over the past year. We felt the letter was more informative, while this resolution asks for something," Katie Boyle, Cavanaugh senator, said.

The resolution also calls for the administration and student leaders to work together to establish guidelines for in-hall dances to be reinstated.

Boyle said, "We really think [the in-hall dance] is something the Campus Life Council should be reviewing again, especially in addition to the letter."

In other Senate news:  
♦ Brin Anderson, Howard

senator, spoke on the procedure of buying student football tickets. She said that there have been complaints regarding the lottery system, and she introduced new ways the tickets could be distributed. Anderson said that these new procedures will be further reviewed in the coming weeks, and hopefully one will be implemented next season to increase student satisfaction.

♦ Senators unanimously approved new managers for the 2003-04 Student Business Board. The new board includes Stephanie

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Lee, general manager; Krista Seidl, head manager of Adworks; and William Ryan, head manager of Dome Designs.

♦ Senate unanimously passed a resolution calling for the establishment of a Naval Sciences minor. Kevin Conley, Stanford senator, said Navy ROTC students are required to take a series of either six or eight courses, while University minors are only five courses. Conley noted that many other schools offered a similar option for ROTC students.

"[ROTC students] do all the work without the recognition that a minor would offer," Conley said.

♦ Senate agreed to send a letter to University President Father Edward Malloy regarding graduation procedures. The letter asks that the administration consider holding the ceremony outdoors because the current ceremony "is not a very personal experience," said Jeremy Staley, Storin senator.

"We looked at 22 other schools, and every one had its graduation outside. The college deans are very much in support of this," Staley said.

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## Former NY Sen. Moynihan dies

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Daniel Patrick Moynihan, a former Democratic senator, ambassador and presidential adviser known for his scholarly intellect, has died. He was 76.

"In many respects, Pat Moynihan was larger than life," said Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle, leading tributes on the Senate floor to the man who from 1977 to 2001 was one of the body's most beloved and respected members.

Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, who two years ago succeeded Moynihan in the New York Senate seat, announced his death on the Senate floor. "We have lost a great American, an extraordinary senator, an intellectual and a man of passion and understanding for what really makes the country work," she said.

Moynihan died Wednesday at the Washington Hospital Center from complications stemming from a ruptured appendix. In declining health recently, he had undergone surgery to have his appendix removed on March 11.

During his 24 years in the Senate, lawmakers from both parties turned to the gangly, professorial Moynihan for his

expertise on welfare issues, transportation, Social Security and foreign policy.

"Rising from the depths of Hell's Kitchen in New York," said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., "he became one of America's true leading intellectuals, whose foresight and whose ability brought to public attention a mass of critical issues long before others even realized these issues existed."

"I just hope God gives us a few more Pat Moynihans in this Senate, and in this country," fellow New York Democrat, Sen.

Charles Schumer, said.

In 2000, Moynihan received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor.

Born March 16, 1927, in Tulsa, Okla., he became a shoe shine boy in New York City to help make ends meet after his father deserted the family when Moynihan was 10. He graduated from Benjamin Franklin High School in East Harlem and attended the City College of New York for one year before enlisting in the Navy, serving on active duty from 1944 to 1947.

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CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-0.44	-0.06	13.66
SPDR TRUST SER (SPY)	-0.50	-0.44	87.08

**IN BRIEF**

**Senate OKs budget reducing tax cuts**

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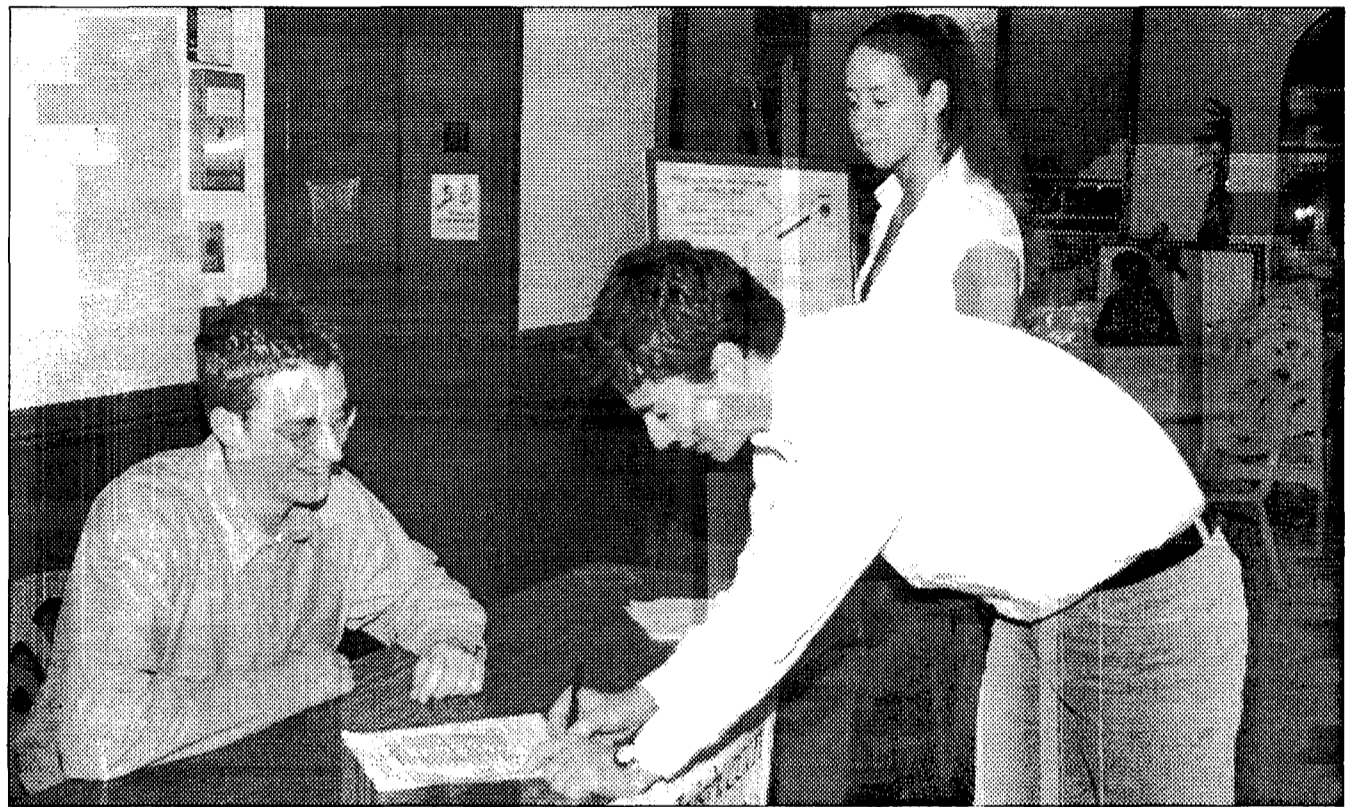
**U.S. regulators may demand refunds**

Federal energy regulators, cataloging widespread manipulation of Western markets, said Wednesday they probably will require about \$3.3 billion in refunds, a third of what California says it's owed.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission also signaled that it probably will not force energy companies to renegotiate more than \$20 billion in long-term power contracts California agreed to when natural gas and electricity prices soared to record levels in 2000 and 2001.

Two of the three commissioners — both Republicans — oppose renegotiating the contracts that California officials say were inflated because of the corrupt market activities prevalent at the time. The issue will be decided next month.

**'RiddleMeIrish.com' debuts**



Daniel Silva, right, and Leigh Cross sign up for "RiddleMeIrish.com" at the LaFortune Student Center as game creator Judah Wilson looks on. The venture was sponsored by the Entrepreneurs Club's Student Business Incubator.

**◆ Game tests ND community's wit and skill**

By MEGHAN MARTIN  
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Members of the Notre Dame community can now test their wits and compete for campus prizes in a new online riddle contest.

The game, called RiddleMeIrish.com, is the business venture of sophomore Judah Wilson and a product of the Entrepreneurs Club's Student Business Incubator.

University policy prohibits students from using campus facilities or resources to operate for-profit businesses. However, the Student Business Incubator, created this year by the

it out," Wilson said.

The game involves e-mailing riddles relating to all participants, who compete to reply first with the correct answer.

"We have a teaser riddle going around: Parents love me, students hate me, and the administration will never change me. What am I? Parietals," Wilson said. "Everyone feels like they know Notre Dame pretty well and there are countless questions you can ask about Notre Dame."

The only requirement, Wilson said, is that players have a valid Notre Dame or Saint Mary's e-mail address, which they can use to register online in teams

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Judah Wilson  
 Notre Dame entrepreneur

Entrepreneurs Club, allows students to begin their own for-profit or non-profit ventures under the guidance of the Student Activities Office and the Gigot Center for Entrepreneurial Studies.

Wilson, who received an e-mail from the Entrepreneurs Club regarding the incubator earlier this year, said he has always been interested in starting his own business and felt particularly fortunate to receive the support his project garnered.

"I love to think up stuff like that, so when I saw the Entrepreneurs Club's project, I knew I wanted to try

of two. A t noon on every Sunday of the contest's f o u r weeks, Wilson will e-mail a riddle to all participants who must then respond as quickly as possible with the correct answer. Timing is key, he said, as the quickest teams each week receive both a prize given by one of the game's campus sponsors and earn points toward winning the grand prize, which is a \$1,000 shopping spree at the Hammes Notre Dame bookstore.

"There's a twist," Wilson said. "You get a ranking and point value based on how quickly you send the answer back. If you win one of the five weekly prizes, you can exchange it for more points toward the

grand prize if you want to."

Weekly prizes, which will be distributed to each of the first five teams that respond correctly to the riddle of the week, were donated by a number of campus businesses to support Wilson's project.

"RiddleMeIrish is fully sponsored," he said. "The big thing is that each week is sponsored by a group on campus: Burger King, Reckers, the Copy Shop and Sorin's."

Through the support of these businesses, Wilson said he was able to fund the entire venture from the beginning. He credits bookstore director Jim O'Connor with providing the final punch to his development plan.

"Jim was instrumental, because we had all the weekly sponsors but we weren't going to do it without the bookstore," Wilson said. "And it was his idea to take it to alumni — that was encouraging too."

O'Connor said that it was the uniqueness of the project that drew him to support it.

"It was different and I thought it was kind of fun for students to have a trivia game about campus," he said. "Judah also has an extraordinary amount of enthusiasm [and] I knew he was the right person to carry it out."

That enthusiasm has led Wilson to add RiddleMeIrish.com expansion to his future plans,

particularly following O'Connor's suggestion that he include alumni as well.

"We would like to take it to alumni as a national game," Wilson said. "We want to make it an annual event and start it after St. Patrick's Day each year."

Proceeds from the game, which has an entrance fee of \$10 per team, will be split between two projects that Wilson wants to sponsor. The first is Extended Hands, a non-profit organization that provides

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Jim O'Connor  
 bookstore director

support to Guatemalan widows and orphans.

"My dad's a part of the organization and I've been a part of it for 13 years," Wilson said.

The other beneficiary of RiddleMeIrish.com will be a second venture that Wilson hopes to begin next year — an online version of the "Dogbook," the photo directory given to all incoming freshmen each year.

"The University has talked about it, but I want to start it on my own," he said. "The proceeds [from RiddleMeIrish] will be seed money."

Registration for the contest will end at midnight on April 5 after which participants will test their riddle skills.

"The response has been encouraging, after all the hard work that's gone into it," said Wilson.

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# Nobel peace prize winners arrested

Associated Press

WASHINGTON  
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Protesters in Washington climbed over police barricades closing off Lafayette Park, across Pennsylvania Avenue from the White House, and sang and prayed until they were arrested. Police said 65 people were taken into custody. Protesters left behind some roses and pictures of Iraqi civilians that they said represented those who could die in the war.

Those arrested included Nobel laureates Mairead Corrigan Maguire of the Northern Ireland Peace Movement and Jody Williams of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, as well as Roman Catholic Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Gumbleton of the Detroit archdiocese; Bishop C. Joseph Sprague of the United Methodist Church in the Chicago area; Dave Robinson, national coordinator of Pax Christi USA, the Catholic peace movement, and Ellsberg.

Ellsberg is best known for leaking the Pentagon Papers, a top secret Defense Department study on the Vietnam War that he considered proof that American officials were lying about chances for victory. He said he hoped that his willingness to get arrested might

encourage someone in the federal government to release more information about the war with Iraq.

"There are people who could prove the falsity of this Bush was in Tampa, Fla., visiting the headquarters of the U.S. Central Command, housed at MacDill Air Force Base. About 150 demonstrators protested in the city's downtown waterfront district.

"This war is so unjust. There is popular support against it," said Audrey Colombe, 44, of Tampa, who carried a sign saying: 'War is not the answer.' "I can't sit at home and do nothing."

In New York, 16 antiwar protesters, linked by handcuffs, were arrested for blocking a busy midtown Manhattan intersection near Rockefeller Center by lying down in the street.

In San Francisco, all 12 demonstrators arrested on felony charges during last week's protests there had their charges dropped or reduced to misdemeanors. Overall, more than 1,500 people were arrested last week.

And 10 activists in Olympia, Wash., who chained themselves together with bike locks around their necks and blocked the main entrance to the state Senate were arrested after police cut the locks with an electric power saw.

Supporters of the war demonstrated Wednesday as well. Around 200 Yale University students held a rally on campus. "Today we affirm that Saddam Hussein has lost," Yale junior Michael Anastasio told flag-waving supporters.

# Senate approves Bush's tax cuts

Associated Press

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Even so, the Senate budget was an unambiguous setback for Bush on one of the pillars of his domestic agenda. It also spotlights the limits on Bush's abilities to persuade lawmakers to support his policies at home, even though the war with Iraq has helped keep his popularity high.

"There are just differences that on a bipartisan basis Congress has had with the administration" over taxes, the economy, environment and other issues," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., told reporters before the vote.

"I don't think, war or no war, those differences would be any differently reflected."

In a written statement, Bush said it was unfortunate that the Senate's tax number fell shy of his own.

"We will work to ensure that the final House-Senate budget provides the growth measures American workers deserve," he said.

"The growth package is not what I want," said Senate Budget Committee Chairman Don Nickles, R-Okla. "I think it's about half a loaf. That's better than none."

The votes came as Congress begins considering Bush's \$74.7 billion proposal to pay for the war with Iraq and other costs of the U.S. drive against terrorism at home and abroad. Members of both parties have said a concern about the war's price tag — and the potentially expensive American role in a postwar Iraq — has helped soften support for Bush's entire tax plan.

Bush's economic package was dominated by his proposal to eliminate the taxes stockholders pay on corporate dividends, which lawmakers say is now in trouble. It would also accelerate income tax reductions already scheduled to take effect and enhance some write-offs for businesses.

The administration and its GOP supporters said the tax cuts would recharge the economy by boosting stock values, increasing corporate investment and putting more money into consumers' pockets. Democrats and some moderate Republicans say the cuts would only worsen federal deficits that seem likely to near a record \$400 billion this year, and are the opposite of the sacrifice the

government often requires during wartime.

Congress' budget does not need Bush's signature and sets overall ceilings on spending and taxes. Final decisions on the size and details of the tax cuts — as well as any spending changes — will be made in later bills.

The budget is significant because it will shield whatever tax-cutting figure lawmakers agree upon from Senate procedural delays or filibusters, which take 60 votes to halt. That means any tax-cutting bill protected by the budget would need only a simple majority, or 51 votes, to pass.

The Senate began debating the budget on March 17 and took a total of 51 roll call votes. In another defeat for the president on the budget last week, the Senate voted to drop his plan to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska for oil drilling.

The budget envisions spending \$400 billion over 10 years for Bush's plan to create Medicare prescription drug benefits. Many of its planned spending cuts were eased by Democratic amendments during days of debate, but it retained enough — especially for late this decade — to claim the eliminate annual deficits by 2012.

Bush suffered more bad news this week when the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office said his budget would probably have a negligible effect on the economy.

In a report, the budget office for the first time measured the president's budget with so-called dynamic scoring, a disputed technique for factoring in the effect legislation may have on the economy.

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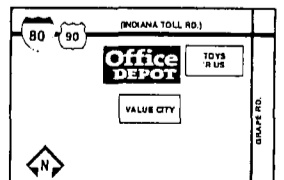
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# Smallpox vaccine leads to death

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Health officials are recommending that people with heart disease not get vaccinated against smallpox as authorities investigate a possible link between the vaccine and heart problems.

The vaccination has never been associated with heart problems before, but the warning and the investigation came Tuesday, after a Maryland woman died of a heart attack and six others became ill after being inoculated.

"I think we want to err on the side of safety," Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the federal Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, said Tuesday.

Gerberding emphasized that officials do not know whether there is a connection and said the national vaccination program, off to a slow start, must move forward to prepare for the possibility of a bioterror attack with smallpox.

"The potential for terrorism has probably never been higher," she said.

Three of the seven people under investigation suffered heart attacks, including the Maryland woman who died, another woman who is now on life support and a third woman who was hospitalized and released. All three were health care or public health workers in their 50s.

Two other people developed angina, or chest pain.

All five of these patients had risk factors for heart disease before the vaccination, such as diabetes, obesity, hypertension or use of tobacco, Gerberding said.

The other two patients under investigation suffered from

heart inflammation. Additionally, 10 people vaccinated through the military program had the same condition.

Gerberding said she does not expect to find a link between the heart trouble and the vaccine but wants further study before ruling it out.

"It could be entirely coincidental," she said. "Coronary artery disease is a very common condition in our society."

The vaccine carries well-documented side effects, but they have never included heart problems. Still, the data were gathered during a time when most people being vaccinated were young children not likely to have heart trouble, Gerberding noted.

The CDC planned to gather cardiac experts on Wednesday to consider whether something in the vaccine might be triggering heart problems in people who already have risk factors.

Health officials also plan to compare the rate of heart problems in the pool of smallpox vaccine recipients with the rate expected in a similar population of people who have not been vaccinated.

Under the new, temporary guidelines, people who have been diagnosed with serious heart disease such as coronary artery disease, congestive heart failure, previous heart attack and angina are being told not to get the vaccine.

Gerberding said she expects the new guidelines, which are being delivered to the states immediately, to eliminate fewer than 10 percent of potential vaccines.

Existing guidelines already screen out people with conditions that are known to increase the chances of side effects, including people with HIV, pregnant women, organ transplant

recipients and people with a history of skin disorders.

The woman who died, a hospital worker in Salisbury, Md., was vaccinated a week ago. She died five days later, on Sunday, in Arlington, Va., state officials said. An autopsy was performed Tuesday.

Her death is the first associated with either the civilian vaccination program that began two months ago or the military program launched in December.

As of March 14, states had vaccinated 21,698 civilians, mostly in public health departments and hospitals. Concerns about the vaccine's risk have helped keep the numbers well below the 450,000 initially expected.

Under the mandatory military program, several hundred thousand people have been vaccinated, the CDC said. Ten people have been reported with inflammation of the heart, none of which was clinically severe. All the people who became ill were being vaccinated for the first time.

Based on studies in the late 1960s, experts estimate that one or two people out of every million being vaccinated for the first time will die. The death rate for those being revaccinated was lower: Two people died out of 8.5 million who were revaccinated in a 1968 study.

Additionally, 14 to 52 people out of every million being vaccinated for the first time are expected to suffer life-threatening side effects.

That's because the smallpox vaccine is made with a live virus called vaccinia, a cousin to smallpox which can cause illness if it escapes the inoculation site and infects another part of the body. Vaccinia can also infect those who touch someone else's vaccination site.

## BELGIUM

# Seven more nations become part of NATO

Associated Press

BRUSSELS

NATO officially signed up seven eastern European nations to become members on Wednesday, an expansion hailed as a historic reunification of the continent after decades of Cold War division.

In an emotional ceremony at NATO headquarters, foreign ministers from Romania, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Lithuania, Slovenia, Estonia and Latvia approved the formal protocols of adhesion.

"This is a momentous day for NATO," said Nicholas Burns, the U.S. ambassador to NATO. "The United States congratulates these seven nations for their dedication to the Alliance and the broader trans-Atlantic relationship."

NATO invited the seven to join at a November summit in the Czech capital, Prague. The countries will become members in May 2004 if their parliaments ratify the treaties. They will be covered by the alliance's core security guarantee that states an attack on one member is an attack on all.

"Today we feel like winners," said Romania Foreign Minister Mircea Geoana. "A dream of generations of Romanians has come true."

Ministers from the three Baltic states that broke free of Soviet rule in 1990 stressed in particular the importance of NATO's security umbrella.

"Latvia will never again

stand alone in the face of a threat," said Foreign Minister Sandra Kalniete.

Estonia Foreign Minister Kristiina Ojuland called the accession of seven newcomers "a historic step for a Europe free, whole and at peace."

Under NATO procedures, the ministers did not themselves sign the protocols, but approved the signing by diplomats from the current 19 members.

"Future historians will recognize that this decision to open NATO's doors has been a turning point in the building of a Europe reunited and free," NATO Secretary General Lord Robertson said.

The United States firmly supported NATO's post-Cold War eastward expansion. In turn, it received strong backing from most newcomers in the run-up to the war against Iraq — in marked contrast to opposition from long-standing allies France, Germany and Belgium.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld welcomed the pro-American sentiment from the easterners, saying it represented the views of a "new Europe" while French President Jacques Chirac denounced their refusal to back his anti-war stance.

Further underlining the demise of Cold War divisions, five of the new NATO members will join the European Union in May 2004 along with Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic, which became NATO members in 1999.

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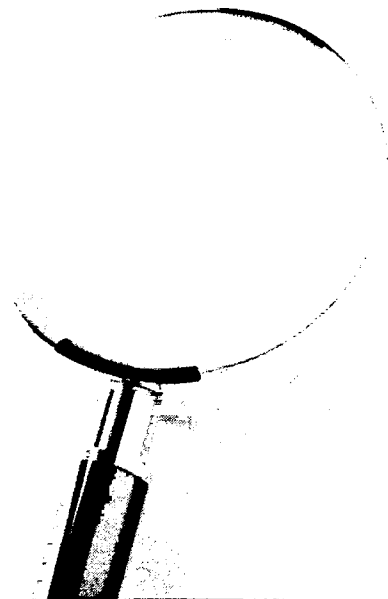
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**NORTH KOREA**

# Officials call talks with Americans 'meaningless'

Associated Press  
 PYONGYANG  
 North Korea on Wednesday

cut off the sole regular military contact with the U.S.-led U.N. Command that monitors the Korean War armistice, saying it

was "meaningless" to sit with the Americans. The move will further isolate the North amid heightened ten-

sion over its suspected nuclear weapons programs. The North has accused the United States of using the nuclear issue as an

excuse to attack the communist state, and Pyongyang has said it would boost its defenses amid such fears.

But South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun on Wednesday dismissed as "groundless" allegations by the North that U.S. forces may attack and spark a "second Iraqi crisis" on the Korean Peninsula.

"There will be no war on the Korean Peninsula as long as we do not want a war," Roh's office quoted him as saying, adding that Washington has repeatedly pledged to resolve the crisis peacefully.

Meanwhile, U.N. envoy Maurice Strong said that North Korean officials told him in meetings in Pyongyang last week that they "reserved the right" to reprocess spent fuel rods that experts say could yield enough plutonium for several atomic bombs within months. Such a move would spike tension even further.

The North's Korea People's Army sent a telephone message to the U.N. Command saying it will no longer send its delegates to the liaison-officers' meeting at the inter-Korean border village of Panmunjom.

"It is meaningless to sit together with the U.S. forces side to discuss any issue as long as it remains arrogant," the North's official news agency KCNA quoted the North Korean message as saying.

The announcement came as lawmakers from across North Korea staved the country's rubber-stamped parliament amid heightened tension over the communist state's suspected nuclear weapons program.

The U.N. Command, which has monitored the armistice since the end of the 1950-53 war, had no immediate comment. Without a peace treaty, the Korean Peninsula is still technically in a state of war.

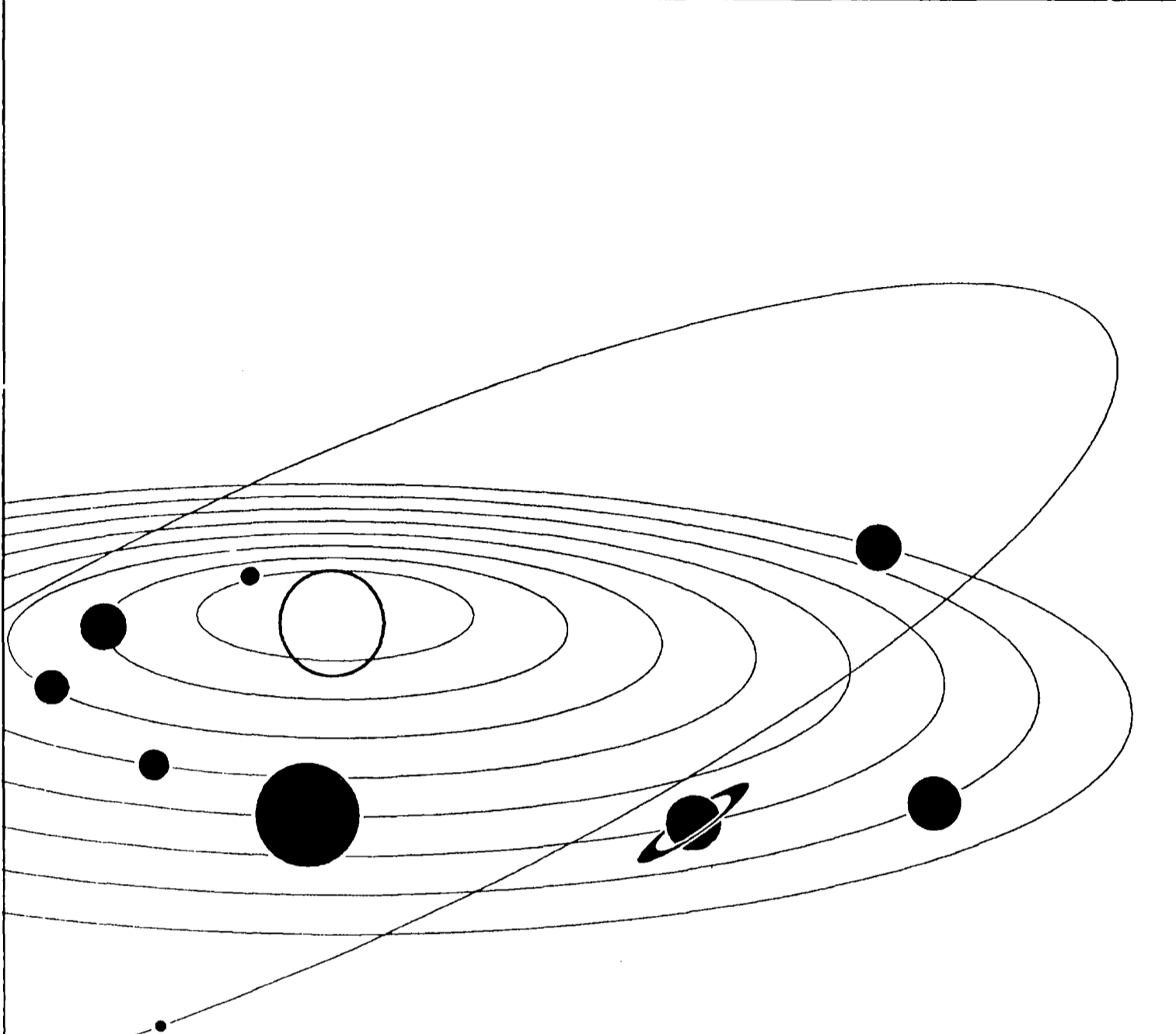
U.S. officials representing the U.N. Command have met North Korean officers at Panmunjom almost weekly since the end of the war.

In Japan, space agency officials were preparing to launch their first spy satellites into orbit on Friday. North Korea has condemned the move, prompting fears it may retaliate and test-fire a long-range missile.

Japan's satellite launch "is for the purpose of information gathering," said Japanese Foreign Ministry spokesman Hatahisa Takashima. "It is not offensive, or intended to interfere with any other nation's security whatsoever."

Takashima said that the satellites will play a role in Japan's national security, however.

Meanwhile in the North's capital, Pyongyang, North Korean Finance Minister Mun Il bong said that the 2003 budget will increase 14.4 percent from last year, with 15.4 percent of the spending allocated to national defense, according to KCNA.



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## VIEWPOINT

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## Unleash the power of pacifism

I grew up in a military family. My brother graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy and is currently in South Korea as an air traffic controller. I will also serve in the Air Force. And despite these strong military ties, I have much hope for advent in the power of pacifism. My mentality is one of contradiction. Or is it?

Andrew  
DeBerry

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Times

The church promotes the just war theory and pacifism as two Christian responses to violence. While pacifism is a commendable personal ethic, it would be dangerous if it were a public government's exclusive response to violence. Although steady, pacifist efforts by the government could result in a stronger peace on the long-term, the public authority is responsible for addressing rising conflicts with an immediacy and effectiveness that pacifist efforts would struggle to provide.

The Church consequently also endorses the just war theory (JWT), which has a peaceful spirit in its focus on limited war. The government can work to stop immediate problems, ideally through a JWT approach, but it is steadfast saints who endorse ethics such as pacifism who are needed to cool the deep fires of hatred with the power of agape.

Imagine, for example, a tree dropping destructo-acorns of death onto innocent people. The military would cut off the branches causing the immediate problem, but people, especially those skilled at heart with the pacifist virtues of peace and love, would be essential for providing the cultural solution to uproot the core of the evil.

Such pacifists are to be recognized for being the voice in the desert working to keep people in their right, moral sense. They provide strong viewpoints to be considered in an era when military capabilities develop at an exponential pace. The more successful activists have shirked a "passive pacifist" image to effect significant improvements in the world.

Even my AFROTC textbook acknowledges the potential of pacifism with a picture of demonstrators that show how "Czech and Slovak nationalism led to the peaceful separation of Czechoslovakia into the Czech Republic and Slovakia."

These successes challenge the pacifist advance to draw more from its great potential. The effort must have a presence in this world that is as tangible as military forces with an effective organization, coordinated leadership, skilled professionals and clearly articulated objectives. The numbers of those who are willing to die for peace must match the numbers of those who are willing to die within the military. The resurrecting power of pacifism won't be

realized until the peacemakers are willing to become peace martyrs.

Pacifists have many avenues for realizing their vision. After seeing a war protest in D.C. through a Center for Social

Concerns seminar, I can see that protests are helpful for uniting concerned citizens in a common spirit.

However, by intensely celebrating being the foot as they lose influential parts of their audience who may only offer them a deaf ear.

There's a Lebanese proverb that says, "Lower your voice and strengthen your argument." I hope that the masses at the Washington

Monument went home to continue delving into the issues with an open mind to better understand the various perspectives. Many are very knowledgeable, such as friends in Pax Christi at Notre Dame who have imparted key facts and perspectives that are imperative for any military officer at least to be aware of. Such capable people are need-

ed to apply their intelligence to form brilliant arguments and solutions that knock people's socks off.

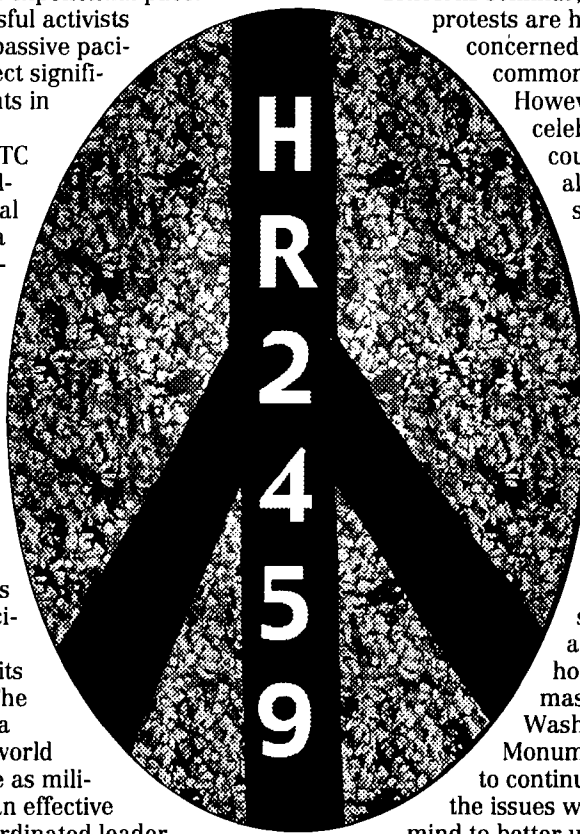
There are advantages to working within the system also. Instead of protesting the war at mass rallies that many politicians disregard, what if those energies were focused on finding ways to promote peace within the government structure itself? What if there was a Presidential cabinet position focused on finding practical, non-violent solutions? In essence, what if a person became so well versed in the government system that they could help propose a Department of Peace in Congress?

Someone already has. His name is Rep. Dennis Kucinich (D-Ohio). A Google search on Department of Peace HR2459 will bring up several links about his HR2459 bill proposing the Department of Peace. He demonstrates an innovative pacifism that utilizes often overlooked venues for promoting peace.

While a military is necessary to maintain public safety, given past non-violent successes, I can't help but wonder about the power of pacifism still to be unleashed. The peace effort must press forward. If it does, maybe the morning will come when Martin Luther King's words will be realized when "all around the world, we can hear the glad echo of heaven ring."

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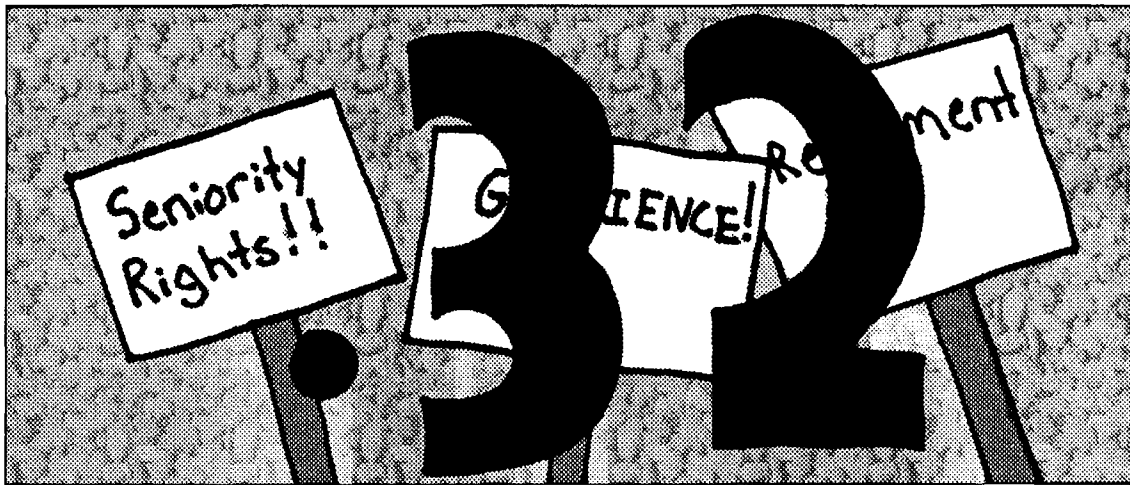
## Protest false patriotism

My Washington Program peers, Ben Haney, Beth Monteleone and Jacque Wilson claim in their March 24 letter that once Congress has decided to go to war, not only is the debate over but speaking out against this decision is in fact unpatriotic even if it is protected under the Constitution. If going against my conscience, reasoning and religious and philosophical beliefs in support of a resolution made by a small group of people is patriotism, then I want none of it.

I have been brought up to believe that the Constitution is not applicable only during peacetime. I also believe that it is my duty as an American to exercise my rights, including freedom of speech. This is especially so during a war that, according to Haney, Monteleone and Wilson, is being waged to give a people these same rights. Shouldn't we show them the beauty of being able to speak out against one's government? Shouldn't we support the exercise of rights that we are supposedly defending?

The idea that patriotism requires a people to support a war and not speak out, even if their conscience is burning in opposition, is disturbingly similar to the propaganda spewed out by the Nazi regime in Germany. Patriotism was demanded of the people — and this translated into unwavering support of the leader and his policies. Speaking out against Hitler or the Nazis was seen as unpatriotic. Supporting the troops meant supporting the war. These same ideas are now being spewed out by people in America, and this makes me very nervous and very scared. Because of this and because I love my country, I will be joining the protesters and speaking out against the war and this false "patriotism" at every opportunity. If you believe me to be un-American or unpatriotic, fine. I do not wish to be a part of your patriotism or your America.

Christine Carey  
senior  
Washington, D.C.  
March 24



## Azteca must respond to claims

I appreciate Fred Zeilner's March 26 response to the Progressive Student Alliance campaign in support of striking workers at Azteca Foods. Needless to say, there are two sides to any labor dispute, and Zeilner and others should be afforded every opportunity to present the company position. Many concerned students had in fact hoped that Mr. Velasquez himself would respond to Paul Graham's March 5 column. Such a response would allow interested individuals to further evaluate the issue.

While I found Zeilner's analysis of working conditions at Azteca to be somewhat informative, I am left with the feeling that he failed to directly address many of the concerns raised by the striking workers. In merely pointing to past wage levels and the existence of a health insurance plan, for instance, Zeilner does not respond to strikers' assertions that the company is currently seeking to cut take-home pay by up to \$0.32 an hour through increased healthcare costs.

Indeed, in many cases the workers are striking precisely because they do not want to see a significant reduction in the benefits Zeilner men-

tions at a time when Azteca is said to be doing quite well. Of further concern is the noticeable silence of Zeilner's response on other demands made by striking workers. As Graham noted, workers are also asking for seniority rights, grievance procedures and better retirement benefits. Readers may have found Zeilner's letter more useful had these topics been discussed.

In closing, I would like to assure Zeilner that my support for Azteca workers should in no way be construed as an attack on the character of Arthur Velasquez. While I have not yet had the pleasure of meeting him, Mr. Velasquez's reputation as a philanthropist has preceded him. I have tremendous respect for the work he has done both in the city of Chicago and in making it financially possible for many at Notre Dame to attend this fine university. I look forward to hearing more about the Azteca position on the ongoing strike.

Christian McNamara  
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Morrissey  
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## MOVIE REVIEW

## 'Tears of the Sun' predictable yet entertaining

By JOE HEIECK  
Scene Movie Critic

When I first saw the preview for "Tears of the Sun," I thought the movie looked stupid — so I went to see it. Expecting junk, it actually was entertaining.

Lt. A.K. Waters (Bruce Willis) and his SEAL team head deep into Nigerian jungle to extract an American, Dr. Lena Kendricks (Monica Bellucci), from the war-ravaged nation. Kendricks refuses to leave

without the villagers she has cared for and has grown to love. A soldier that always does the "right" thing (following orders without thought of consequence based on U.S. policy), Waters decides to do the real right thing: save Kendricks and the villagers. Now, Waters and his men must get everyone to Cameroon while fending off the rebel army and defying orders.

The movie follows standard script format. Hence, its only noticeable drawback is you can anticipate what will happen, for example who will live and die, from their character develop-

ment and dialogue.

Yet the movie moves at a good pace. Plenty of twists, explosions, death and sexual tension hold your attention throughout the picture. Moreover, "Tears of the Sun" spotlights the wretched wars in Africa that claimed the lives of millions without much care from the rest of the world.

Director Antoine Fuqua is no stranger of fictions in forgotten realities. His last film, "Training Day," is such a story. Denzel Washington starred as an LAPD veteran narcotics officer who has corrupt ways of enforcing law and raises ethical questions for rookie Ethan Hawke. Washington won an Academy Award

for Best Actor in a Leading Role for his complicated depiction, only the second black actor to do so (the first was Sidney Poitier).

**"Tears of the Sun"**

**Director:** Antoine Fuqua  
**Writers:** Alex Lasker and Patrick Cirillo  
**Starring:** Bruce Willis, Monica Bellucci, Cole Hauser, Fionnula Flanagan

Again, Fuqua delivers a movie of gritty reality. He creates tension and conflict through great shots, good direction and few words. Overall, "Tears of the Sun" was an entertaining action-adventure

film. Reality mixed with classic Hollywood conflicts makes it a good "popcorn movie."

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American doctor Lena Hendricks (Monica Bellucci) refuses to leave her patients behind in the Nigerian jungle.



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Lt. A.K. Waters (Bruce Willis) and his SEAL team attempt to get villagers to Cameroon while fighting off the rebel army.

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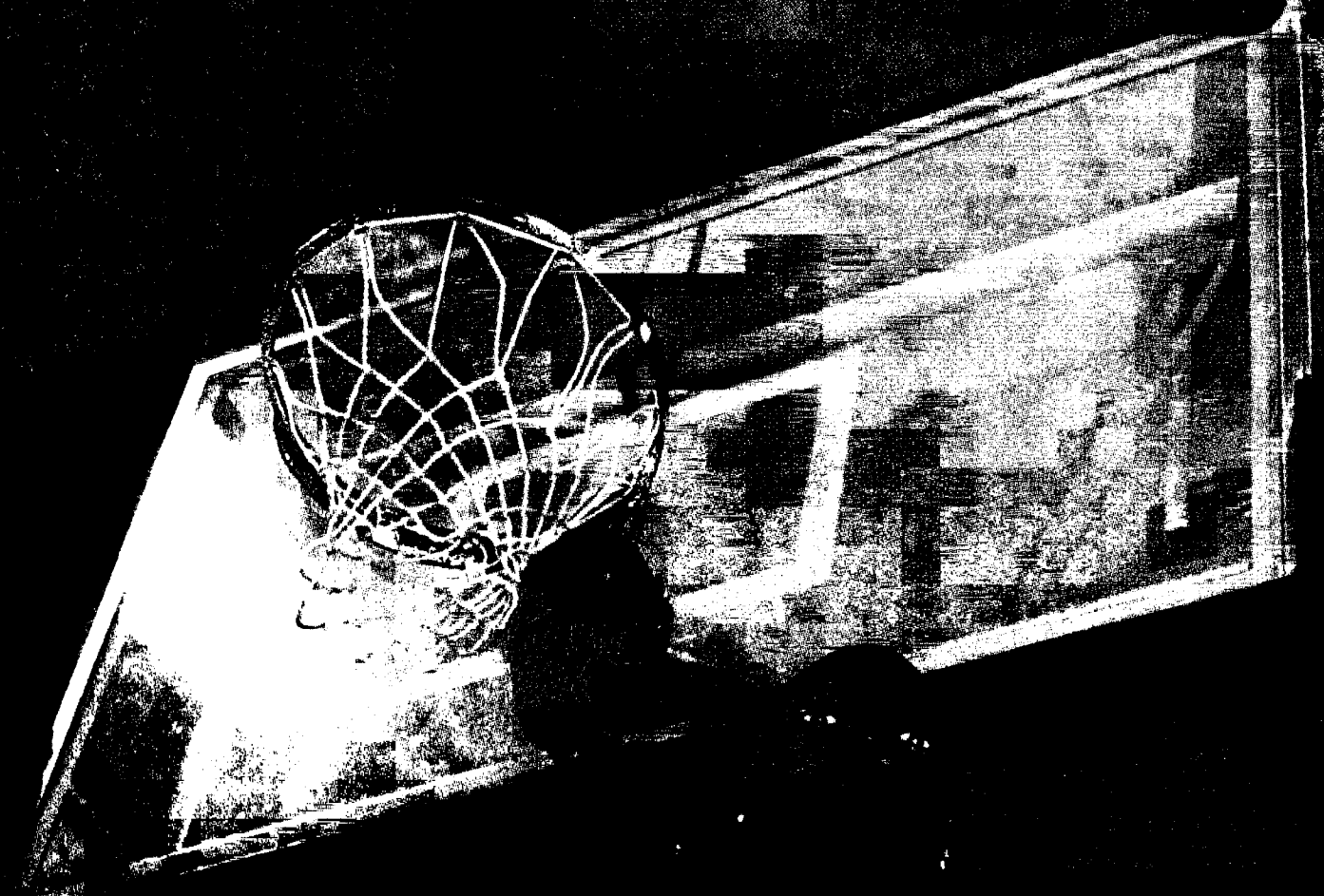


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# Under Brey, Irish now have national respect

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

They last met on a basketball court called Madison Square, when one program had three future NBA players and the other team had a lot of star-struck looks on their faces.

In the Preseason NIT Classic three years ago, few doubted Arizona, Kentucky and Maryland belonged in one of the most prestigious early-season tournaments.

But Notre Dame? The Irish hadn't been to the NCAA Tournament since the early 1990s.

Then, the Irish were out of their league, and they knew it. They lost to Arizona 76-60 in a game that was never close.

"Back then, we were in kind of awe," senior Matt Carroll said, who was a freshman when Notre Dame last played Arizona. "It was the first time we had been in that territory. You went out there and gave it your best."

Three years ago, few thought the Irish belonged on the same court as the Wildcats. Tonight, the two teams will meet in the West Regional semifinal with an Elite Eight berth on the line.

The increased respect for fifth-seeded Notre Dame — playing in the Sweet Sixteen for the first time since 1987 — shows how far the program has risen in three years of Mike Brey's leadership.

After the Irish lost to Arizona in the Preseason NIT in former coach Matt Doherty's only year at the helm, the Irish went on to finish runners-up in the NIT after narrowly missing an NCAA berth. But under Brey, the Irish have advanced to the NCAA Tournament three consecutive years after an 11-year drought. The only Big East team to win 10 league games the last three years, the Irish are one of just nine teams to win first-round tourney games in three

consecutive years.

Of course, Arizona, Duke and Kansas — the other teams in the West Regional — are also in that elite company. In the group of four, three are traditional college basketball powerhouses. Notre Dame is the relative newcomer.

But that doesn't mean Brey thinks the Irish are in over their heads.

"I like that we are in with those three programs because I think we do belong," he said. "I think we're thought of in that mix now with these three years and that step we took in Indianapolis. Our guys certainly have a lot of pride in our program now."

Back in 1999, the Irish were hoping just to stay competitive with the Wildcats and gleam a morsel of respect. Now they're looking to extend their tournament run.

For Notre Dame, who plays a No. 1 seed for the second straight year after losing to Duke in the second round last year, tonight's game represents a turning point of sorts.

The team's goal since June has been to qualify for the Sweet Sixteen, and with that goal met, the Irish now turn toward making as much noise in the postseason as possible.

They'll try to do so at Arrowhead Pond, where Dan Miller advanced to the Final Four when he played for Maryland.

"We believe that we are one of the top programs and one of the best teams in the country, and we expect to win those games," said Carroll, who is one of two players on Notre Dame's team left from the squad that lost to the Wildcats three years ago. "We are going in there ... to go beat Arizona, even though nobody is probably going to pick us."

**Matt Carroll**  
Irish guard

*"We are going in there ... to beat Arizona, even though nobody is probably going to pick us."*



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Irish coach Mike Brey pumps his fist during Notre Dame's 66-60 win against Illinois Saturday. The Notre Dame team that got blown out by Arizona three years ago is far different from the Brey-coached squad that takes on the Wildcats tonight.

	COACHING	STYLE OF PLAY	POST PLAYERS	PERIMETER PLAYERS	BENCH	INTANGIBLES
NOTRE DAME	Brey is a good motivator and he often has his teams well prepared, especially for big games. This season is the first time the Irish made the Sweet Sixteen since 1987.	The Irish rely on their perimeter players for most of their points, but Francis has provided offense at times in the tourney. Notre Dame needs to play at their tempo and not let Arizona dictate the pace of the game.	Francis played well for the Irish in their first two tourney games by scoring rebounding and playing good defense. He, along with Cornette and Timmermans will need to shut down the Wildcats' big men like they did against Illinois.	Thomas played great in Notre Dame's first two tourney games. Carroll is healthier than last week and should be a more productive scorer. The Irish will need these two along with Miller and Quinn to shoot well from the outside to win.	Notre Dame has relied on solid play from Quinn, Cornette and Jones off the bench and they will need all three to play well again Thursday. Jones is the Irish spark and he could play a big factor against the Wildcats.	Notre Dame's goal since summer was to make it to the Sweet Sixteen. Now that they're there, they may become passive. Miller, the only player with Sweet Sixteen experience, needs to keep the Irish focused and hungry.
ARIZONA	In 20 years as Arizona's head coach, Olsen has won nearly 700 games and one national title. He has taken four teams to the Final Four and has the second highest winning percentage in Pac-10 history.	The Wildcats have a solid inside game and very good perimeter players. They also have shown the ability to score in bunches. Arizona will try to push the ball and run-and-gun with the Irish.	The experienced Walton is arguably the best passing big man in the nation. He hurts teams in different ways by either scoring, passing or rebounding. Frye will also present problems for the Irish inside.	Gardner and Stoudamire are a tough tandem in Arizona's backcourt. Gardner may be the best point guard in the country, and both can shoot well from the outside. The Wildcat bench also has several other solid perimeter players.	Arizona has one of the deepest benches in the country. Olsen plays his freshman a lot — except down the stretch when he turns to his veterans. Still, the freshmen have contributed all year. The Wildcats' depth is one of their biggest assets.	The best thing to happen to Arizona was to have a close game like they did against Gonzaga. That contest should wake the Wildcats up and have them more than ready to face the Irish.
ANALYSIS	Brey's challenge Thursday is to make sure his team isn't content with reaching the Sweet Sixteen. Olsen should have his players ready after a year-long drought.	Both teams can score, but the difference may be who can control the pace of the game. Each team has stellar perimeter players and big men who can run the floor.	The Irish will need another good defensive effort to control the Wildcats' big men. Walton is a multi-dimensional threat and Frye complements him nicely. If Notre Dame doesn't play tough, it's a long night for the Irish.	The key to this matchup, and probably the game, is Thomas versus Gardner. Both will want to control the flow of the game and both can score a lot of points, especially when their team needs a basket.	The Irish easily goes to Arizona. Olsen can't count on most anyone on his bench to play well and his players usually rebound. The Irish will need their bench to make big plays when	Walton has nothing to lose. Arizona isn't about to allow another low seed to almost beat them. The Wildcats will be ready when the Irish could be awed by the Sweet Sixteen experience.

# Unwavering support

*Torin Francis' teammates gave him the confidence to live up to his lofty expectations*

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

He was just a 6-foot-10, gangly freshman when he arrived on campus this summer. He hadn't earned his teammates respect yet and hadn't shown he could fill the gap in Notre Dame's frontcourt.

He hadn't even lifted weights on a regular basis.

Sure, he had a reputation for being one of the nation's top big men out of high school, and he was good enough to earn McDonald's All-American honors. But his accomplishments in high school amounted to diddly squat in college, and he knew that.

So when Torin Francis joined the Irish for summer workouts, he was eager to learn everything he could about the college game. His teammates, he quickly discovered, were more than eager to teach them.

That started a confidence-building process for Francis, a process that resulted in solid play from the Irish freshman in Notre Dame's first two NCAA Tournament games.

But for Francis, his work in the summer showed he could be the answer to a question that loomed over the Irish basketball program: how would Notre Dame replace Harold Swanagan and first-round NBA draft pick Ryan Humphrey?

"One thing that was questionable about our team in the fall was the type of balance we'd have between the perimeter and front court guys," Francis said. "I knew there were great expectations for me as a freshman."

Expectations, Francis now says, that he thinks he lived up to.

## Building a big man

A week ago, after Francis scored 23 points and grabbed 14 rebounds in Notre Dame's first-round victory over Wisconsin-Milwaukee, someone asked Irish coach Mike Brey when Francis started playing like anything other than a freshman.

Brey thought about the question for a minute before laying the groundwork for what Francis was expected to do when he arrived at Notre Dame. The Irish had lost three senior leaders, two of whom were major contributors in the post. Notre Dame had been a team in the past that looked down low before looking long-range. And with all the losses the Irish had endured, Brey thought they were an NIT-caliber team.

"Then," Brey said. "I saw how Torin could play."

Buoyed by a summer spent working with Notre Dame's veteran perimeter players, Francis slowly blossomed into a player who, if he couldn't dominate college foes at first, at least he could hold his own on the court.

Showing that he knew how

important Francis would be, senior Matt Carroll picked the freshman as his weight lifting partner in the summer. That started what teammates joking called a big brother-little brother relationship between Notre Dame's veteran leader and Notre Dame's primary post threat.

"In the summer, I could ask him questions, and he'd give me advice," Francis said. "If I have a problem, I know I can talk to Matty. We're really close, and it's been going on throughout the year."

But it wasn't just Carroll who spent time working with Francis. By playing countless pickup games in the summer, Francis got accustomed to how the Irish played together. The veterans, meanwhile, spent time teaching Francis the finer points of the game.

Point guard Chris Thomas, for example, made a concerted effort to get Francis extra touches so he could go to the basket more. Dan Miller used his experience to help Francis get used to playing against inside-outside players. And Jordan Cornette selflessly battled with the freshman who might take his minutes to help get him accustomed to physical college basketball.

By the time practice officially started, Francis was a confident man.

"In the summer, I tried to instill the mentality in myself that I have to be ready to go out and play," he said. "I knew I could be starting as a freshman, I knew that was a possibility, and I think being able to play early helped me gain confidence."

## Starting quickly

The philosophy of Notre Dame's early-season schedule since Mike Brey arrived three years ago has been one where the Irish play a horde of games in order to give freshmen tons of game experience early.

The plan worked well for Francis, who saw significant playing time and scored decent points in Notre Dame's first five games

of the season.

But the sixth game, an 85-80 Irish loss to Creighton, showed how much the big man had to learn. He never got into the flow of the game, got benched early and

only played six minutes.

Yet, much like he would in Big East games later in the season, Francis bounced back to record two of his best performances of the season at the BB&T Classic, where the Irish trounced Maryland and edged Texas. In the two victories over top 10 teams, Francis averaged 20.5 points and nine rebounds, which worked wonders for the freshman's confidence.

"That was definitely a boost for the team, but for me personally, I



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**Torin Francis slams the ball home during Notre Dame's 89-45 victory against IUPUI in Notre Dame's second game of the season. The Irish found a reliable post player in Francis, who started all 33 of Notre Dame's games this season and showed promising potential over the season.**

just felt like I established my role on the team," he said. "I felt like I was getting better from then on."

## Big East big man

Slowly but surely, the Irish began to trust their big man with the ball more. An athletic rebounder and a solid defender, Brey often complemented the play of his big man even if he didn't have the points to support such generous praise.

Francis knew he was improving. Instead of merely standing with the ball when he caught a pass, Francis started making his move to the basket much quicker, which started generating more points.

In a situation that shows more about Francis' improvement than his skills, the freshman was in danger of getting taken out of a game against Pittsburgh because he was too reluctant to go to the basket with the ball. In fact, Brey had sent Cornette to the scorer's table to check in when Francis suddenly grabbed a pass, spun toward the basket like a veteran big man and scored an easy layup. After Francis repeated the move the next series, Brey waved Cornette back to the bench, and the Irish went on to knock off the then-No. 4 Panthers.

"My teammates had confidence in me, and that helped me gain confidence in myself," Francis said. "I think my teammates are willing to pass me the ball

because they said, 'If he's effective, we'll give him the ball.'"

## Stretch run

As the Big East season wore on, Francis developed a reputation as an excellent rebounder — he averages 8.3 boards a game — and a solid defender. What's more, he proved himself wise beyond his years when, if the shots didn't fall in the first half, he refused to get taken out of his game.

"I know they say that freshmen hit a wall during the season," Francis said. "Some games, I just didn't have a good game, and you can't have a good game every game. But there were games that I was effective."

The Irish began making concerted efforts to get the ball to Francis, who proved himself adept at either kicking the ball out or scoring on demand. When earlier in the season Francis seldom touched the ball on offensive possessions, Thomas would often dribble around the 3-point line waiting for Francis to establish himself.

"If you look at how many times I got the ball in the beginning of the season, and how many times I get it now," Francis said, "it just shows how much more of an effect I have on the game now."

He accomplished one of his pre-season goals by getting named to the Big East All-Rookie team after averaging 10.7 points

a game and recording nine double-doubles.

In the NCAA Tournament, Francis followed his offensive outburst against Wisconsin-Milwaukee with a solid performance against Illinois. Although he only scored five points on 1-for-9 shooting, he was a key part of a defensive alignment that limited Big Ten Player of the Year Brian Cook to just 6-for-23 shooting.

Now that the Irish are in the midst of an NCAA Tournament run, Francis has also started establishing himself as a vocal leader in the locker room. He knows the time will come when Carroll and Miller graduate, and a new wave of leaders will have to emerge in the Irish locker room to lead the freshmen in the summer.

But for now, those leaders who groomed Francis in the summer have started saying something entirely different to the player who is only a freshman by grade only.

"I wanted to establish myself in our system and get recognition as a freshman, be effective, and play on a winning team," Francis said. "My teammates helped me a lot with that."

"Now, they're just telling me to keep going and keep it up."

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# Good 'D' might not stop hot-shooting Wildcats

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

At one point in the season, the word "defense" seemed to be just that to the Irish basketball team — a word.

However, in Notre Dame's first two NCAA Tournament victories, the Irish won in large part due to a stingy defense that had disappeared for most of the 2003 calendar year.

But will a strong commitment to defense be enough to help the Irish knock off top-seeded Arizona tonight?

Notre Dame coach Mike Brey isn't sure.

A year ago, when the Irish faced Duke in the second round, Brey told his players they would probably have to score 80-plus points to win, because he knew the Irish would have a tough time stopping the prolific Blue Devil offense.

So how many points does Brey think the Irish need against Arizona, who enters tonight's game averaging a national-best 85.4 points a game?

"I'm thinking about asking for a hundred," Brey said, only half-kidding.

Although Brey thinks the Irish match up fairly well against the Wildcats, who play a style of basketball similar to Notre Dame's perimeter-oriented attack, every member of Arizona's starting five averages double-digits in scoring.

Jason Gardner leads the Wildcats in scoring with an average of 14.3 points per game, but he is closely followed by 3-point sharpshooter Salim Stoudamire, who averages 13.4 points a game and shoots 44.1 percent from behind the arc.

When the Wildcats want to look inside, they can pass to either Channing Frye or Rick Anderson, who average 12.8 and 10.7 points a game, respectively.

What helps make the Wildcats so dangerous, however, is forward Luke Walton, the son of Hall-of-Famer Bill Walton. One of the best passing big men in the nation, Walton averages 10.3 points and 4.9 assists a game — the same assist average as point guard Gardner.

Couple those impressive offensive statistics with the fact that the Wildcats are a relatively experienced team, and the Irish have good reason to be worried.

"To try and guard the best offensive team in the country right now, we're not going to shut them down," Brey said. "But if we can take a few things away every now and then, that certainly would help the effort."

Throughout the season, the Irish have been a team whose defensive prowess is directly related to their offensive production. If the shots fall for the Irish, then the players appear to buckle down on defense more.

But if the shooters start going cold, as they did in the latter stages of the season when Notre Dame often gave up over 80 points a game, the Irish give up big scoring runs that put them in a hole too big to climb out of.

Against a team with as many offensive weapons as the Wildcats, Brey knows that if the Irish fall back into that trap, his squad will be in trouble.

"We are a kind of team that needs our offense going a little bit to get our defense going," Brey said. "That's kind of who we are."

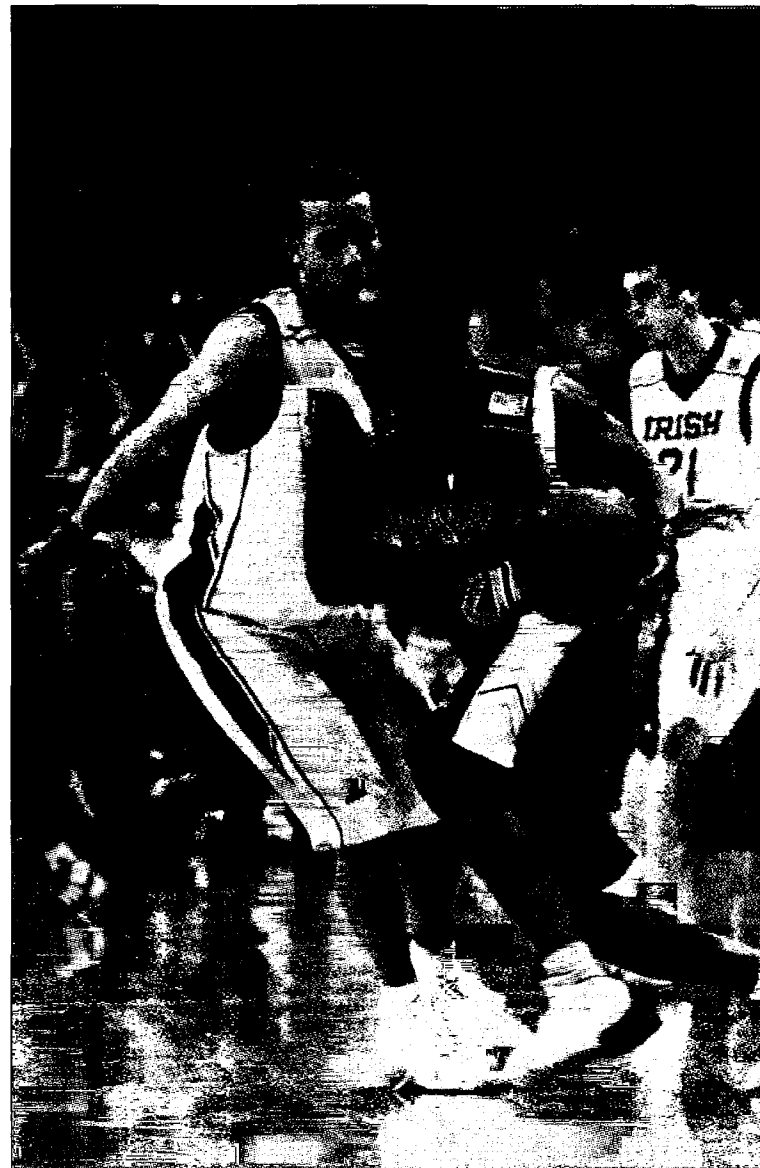
Against Illinois, however, the Irish played defense in a way exactly as Brey described. They hit 11 first half 3-pointers while limiting the Illini to just 60 points in the game.

Brey believes the Irish have the offensive firepower to knock off the Wildcats. Because both teams rely on the 3-point shot, Brey thinks scores could easily spiral up into the triple-digits.

The Wildcats are also coming off a second-round scare when they beat Gonzaga in double-overtime. And all their offensive talent isn't making the Irish back down.

"To be the best, you've got to beat the best," Irish point guard Chris Thomas said, "and Arizona is on top right now."

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Chris Thomas slides in front of Pittsburgh's Brandin Knight during Notre Dame's 66-64 win in February. After that game, the Irish struggled defensively until the NCAA Tournament.

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# SCENE *movies*

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**MOVIE REVIEW**

## 'Piglet's Big Movie' a postmodern haymaker

By BJ STREW  
Scene Movie Critic

Laugh it up, sure, but most critics miss the boat on the Winnie the Pooh spin-offs. Anyone remember the Tigger Movie? Alas, after its celebrated run on the festival circuit, it was roundly ignored by both American critical and mainstream audiences. Most wrote it off as a run-of-the-mill children's musical, appreciating neither its debt to the French New Wave nor its droll, nuanced commentary on American politics. So it is a small wonder that it bypassed the megaplex on its way to the living room VCR or DVD player.

Piglet's Big Movie is inarguably one of the most ingenious spin-offs ever imagined — more so even than Tang. (Thanks, NASA.) At last, the much-maligned genre of animated musicals has subsumed the long-ignored genres of the spaghetti western, the Chinese "wuxia pian," burlesque, film noir and blaxploitation movies in this dazzling postmodern salmagundi. At last, the runt of the Hundred Acre Wood family gets his fifteen minutes.

Terror, in the form of marauding ronin, again plagues the serene Hundred Acre Wood. It goes without saying that Christopher Robin, the jaded-yet-prissy British leader of said ronin, supplies the precise amount of honed menace to propel the action of the story. In the penultimate dancing showdown between the Piglet-Roo-Kanga camp and Robin's set of bandits, it's Superfly meets Sergio Leone in 1930's Manhattan. Then Philip Glass chimes in.

Truth be told, however, Glass's strident Tibetan score finally meshes neither with the sunny, easygoing tenor of



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In "Piglet's Big Movie," the tiny title character stars in his very own spin-off. Surrounded by his trusty friends Pooh, Roo, Tigger and Rabbit, Piglet faces terror in the Hundred Acre Wood.

the Pooh franchise, nor the clashing mélange of genres. Fans of Dolemite will recognize Piglet's voice as belonging to the relentlessly debonair Rudy Ray Moore. Fred "The Hammer" Williamson, of Black Caesar fame, takes on the dual task of furnishing the voices of both Eeyore and Pooh.

**"Piglet's Big Movie"**



Producer: Michelle Pappalardo-Robinson  
Animator: Alexander Williams  
Voices: John Fiedler, Jim Cummings, Ken Sansom, Peter Cullen

Pooh, world-weary, with a chip on his shoulder, and brandishing a lustrous platinum wakizashi, is finally summoned to right Robin's wrongs against the forest dwellers. His final mano-a-mano mêlée with the fiendish

Robin will be puzzled over for years by undergrad film majors.

In the end, the sundry influences of B-movie titan Roger Corman, singer-songwriter Chris Yanek and New Wave trailblazer Francois Truffaut collide in a graphic triple-trainwreck of a movie that nevertheless draws the obligatory rubbernecking. Tigger's anterograde amnesia, the Pulp Fiction-style fragmented narrative and the off-kilter stripteases make for a consistently pleasurable experience, while preserving its satirical take on the American

presidential election mechanism.

Critics should agree — this time — that decades will pass before such a nonpareil triumph of creative and corporate forces working in tandem could be matched, let alone outdone. One thing's for sure: in order to save the animated musicals genre, Piglet had to destroy it. And postmodernism was his wrecking ball.

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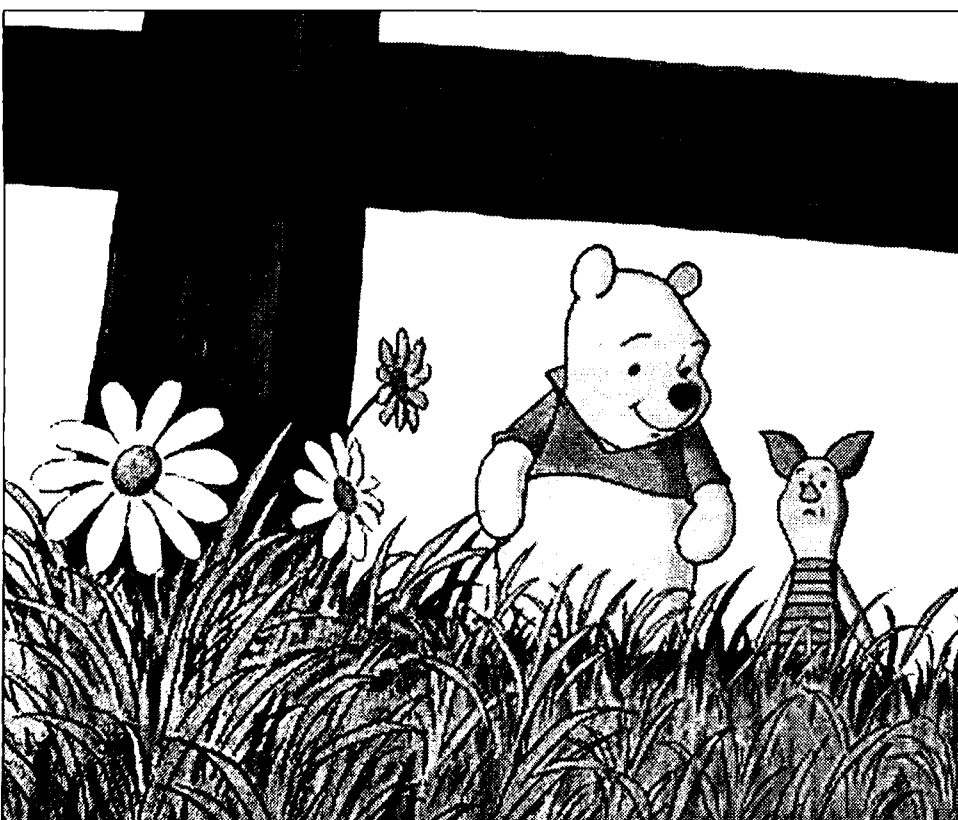


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While Pooh wears his ever-present smile, Piglet's worried countenance reveals that all is not as serene as it seems for their familiar group of friends.



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Piglet's friends realize how important he has been in their lives after they lose him in Hundred Acre Wood.

## NBA

## Hot shooting Philadelphia knocks off Indiana

Associated Press

## INDIANAPOLIS

Allen Iverson had 22 points and 10 assists and the Philadelphia 76ers missed only four shots in the fourth quarter in defeating the Indiana Pacers 91-85 Wednesday night.

The Sixers received strong fourth quarters from Iverson, Keith Van Horn and Eric Snow to come back from a five-point deficit at the end of the third.

Philadelphia was only 23-for-64 from the floor through the first three quarters before making 11 of its first 13 in the fourth. The Sixers never led until Iverson swished a 19-footer from the left wing to put them ahead 68-67.

The Pacers regained a one-point lead after two free throws by Al Harrington with four minutes left. It would be their last lead of the game.

Van Horn, who scored six of his 10 points in the fourth, gave Philadelphia a 78-76 lead on a baseline dunk. He appeared to hurt his right hand on the play, shaking it as he returned downcourt.

Iverson, Van Horn and Derrick Coleman scored successive baskets to cap the 9-0 run and put the Sixers up 84-76. Coleman finished with 13 points and 11 rebounds.

Snow added 18 for the Sixers and Kenny Thomas had 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Jermaine O'Neal, playing with a bruised right shoulder, led the Pacers with 24 points and Ron Artest had 15.

## Warriors 107, Celtic 95

Jason Richardson scored 31 points and the Golden State Warriors broke open a close game early in the fourth quarter to hand the Boston Celtics their sixth straight loss, 107-95 Wednesday night.

Three other Warriors had at least 18 points — Antawn Jamison with 29, Gilbert Arenas with 23 and Troy Murphy with 18 — as Golden State shot 52 percent from the field. Murphy added 11 rebounds.

Paul Pierce had 25 points and Eric Williams 15 for the Celtics, whose losing streak is their longest of the season.

The Warriors, coming off a 21-point loss at Cleveland the previous night, took an 81-74 lead on a driving layup by Arenas — who then slammed the ball off the floor. Antoine Walker protested that Arenas should get a technical foul, and referee Dan Crawford assessed one to both Arenas and Walker.

Things kept getting worse for the Celtics after that. The Warriors opened the fourth quarter with a 20-5 run that made it 101-79, their biggest lead, with 5:35 remaining.

Murphy and Williams traded baskets at the start of the surge before Murphy hit a jumper and Arenas sank a 3-pointer, making it 88-76.

Pierce then made a free throw before Golden State got the next eight points on 3-pointers by Arenas and Richardson and a layup by Jamison that gave the Warriors a 96-77 lead with 7:29 to play.

## Raptors 89, Cavaliers 83

Morris Peterson scored 14 of his 21 points in the second half as the Toronto Raptors ended a three-game losing skid with a 89-83 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Wednesday night.

Vince Carter added 18 points for the lottery-bound Raptors, losers of nine of their previous 10.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas had 25 points and nine rebounds for the Cavaliers, who recorded consecutive wins for the first time this season before coming to Toronto. At 14-57, Cleveland has the worst record in the NBA.

Ilgauskas' ninth point of the third quarter cut Toronto's lead to two, but Peterson made two 3-pointers and a layup during an 18-6 run as the Raptors entered the fourth with a 14-point lead.

Peterson's short jumper and Voshon Lenard's 18-foot jumper gave Toronto an 18-point early in the fourth.

Jermaine Jones' dunk capped an 8-2 run as the Cavaliers closed within 11 with just over five minutes left, but Toronto's Rafer Alston followed with a jumper, a steal and an assist on Peterson's two-handed dunk with 4:15 left.

Milt Palacio's 3-pointer, Jones' three-point play and Carlos Boozer's jumper cut Toronto's lead to five with 25 seconds left, but Palacio missed a 3-pointer with 10 seconds left and Carter ran out the clock.

Peterson, removed from the starting lineup twice last week, went 9-for-18 from the field. He also had six rebounds and four assists.

## Nets 101, Knicks 95

For a change, the New Jersey Nets won a close home game in the fourth quarter.

Kerry Kittles' 3-pointer with 5:43 to go ignited a 14-2 spurt that carried the Nets to a 101-95 victory over the New York Knicks on Wednesday night.

"It was nice to pull it out and get one of those gut wins," said Kittles, who was 10-for-14 from the field. "We've been trying to do that but we've been coming up short. We were more organized down the stretch and we played really good defense."

In their last three close games at home, the Nets played poorly down the stretch in losses to Utah, Philadelphia and Milwaukee.

"I would say 75 percent of the season we would have that spurt," said Richard Jefferson, who added 18 points. "Then 10 games you don't have that spurt, something goes wrong. All of a sudden, you're struggling in the fourth quarter."

The Knicks were the ones who struggled down the stretch. They made only two baskets after Kittles gave New Jersey an 87-85 lead, and they saw Latrell Sprewell turn the ball over twice and Allan Houston once.

## Pistons 102, Hawks 99

Chauncey Billups hit the big shot, but only because Mehmet Okur gave him the chance.

Billups hit a 3-pointer with one-tenth of a second left to give the Detroit Pistons a 102-99 victory over the Atlanta Hawks on Wednesday night.

Billups would have not gotten that chance without the play of the Turkish rookie. Okur scored all of his 16 points in the fourth quarter, helping Detroit overcome a 15-point deficit in the final 9:20.

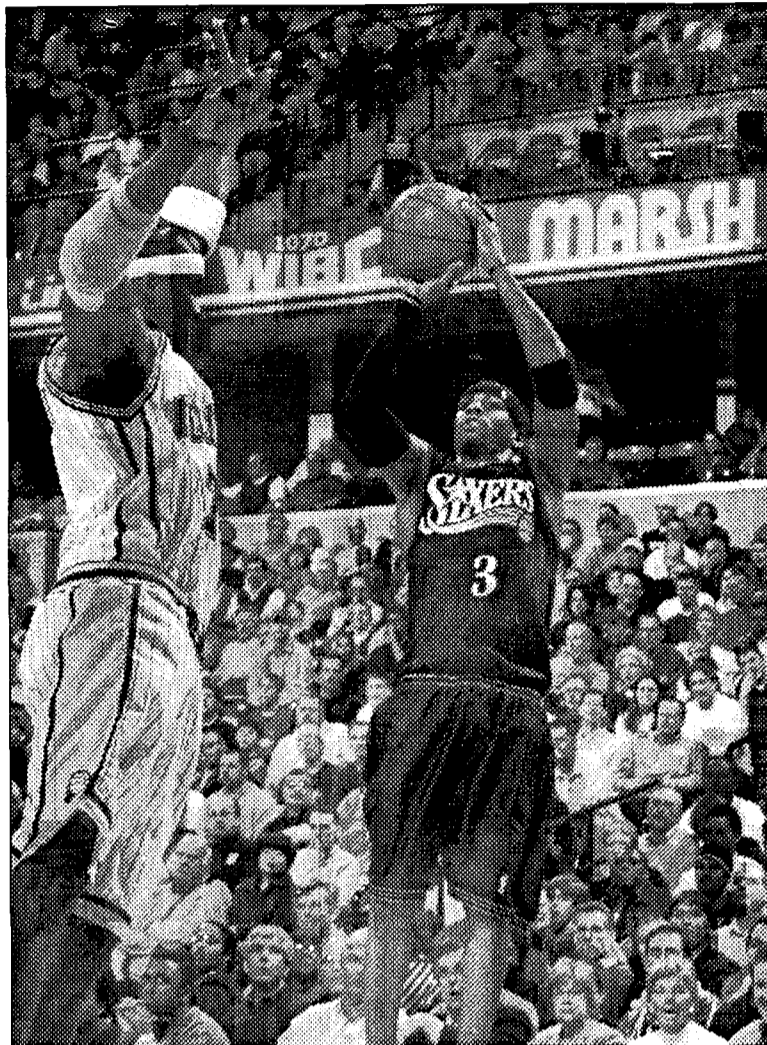
"I think this may be the best game of my life," Okur said. "I think was able to give my teammates some energy. Everyone thought the game was over, and some of our fans left, but this is why we are the best team in the East."

Pistons coach Rick Carlisle was thrilled with his rookie.

"Mehmet just plays the game," Carlisle said. "He's not bashful or indecisive and he is getting a better sense of when to be aggressive and when to kick the ball out."

After Shareef Abdur-Rahim's put back dunk tied the game at 99 with 29 seconds left in overtime, the shot clock was turned off when Jason Terry committed a foul. Billups took Jon Barry's inbound pass and drained a jumper over Terry from the top of the key.

"I wasn't getting what I wanted when I went to the basket tonight, and when I did get there, I was struggling to finish," said Billups. "I did what I was comfortable with — I just put it up and it went down."



The 76ers' Allen Iverson takes a shot over Indiana's Jermaine O'Neal Wednesday night in Philadelphia's 91-85 win over the Pacers.

The game-winner was the second in less than three weeks for Billups. He hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer March 9 to give the Pistons a 107-105 win over Golden State.

"Chauncey is a confident guy who is only thinking about a win," Carlisle said. "He has done some great things at the end of games."

Terry, who played all but 13 seconds after playing 42 minutes Tuesday in a loss to the Lakers, said he was hurting more emotionally than physically.

"It's hard to work that hard all night and then lose because someone hits a deep bomb on you at the buzzer," he said. "I feel fine — I was more tired last night — but this one is very demoralizing."

## Suns 101, Grizzlies 99

Stephon Marbury capitalized when the Phoenix Suns got a second chance at a game-winner.

Marbury scored 23 points, including an 18-footer and a free throw with 1.2 seconds left Wednesday night that gave the Phoenix Suns a 101-99 victory

over the Memphis Grizzlies.

Shawn Marion missed a 15-footer with about five seconds left, but got his own rebound and found Marbury on the right wing for the winning three-point play.

Marbury had seen limited action in the second half after catching a knee to his thigh with 8:18 left in the third period.

"I really had no burst," Marbury said. "I tried to play the playmaker role. The [winning] shot was just there. It was ordinary. The same thing I always do."

Memphis couldn't get the ball inbound for a tying shot after Marbury's winner.

Phoenix snapped a three-game road losing streak, while Memphis lost for the first time at home in its last four.

"Give Marbury credit. he had a tough shot, got fouled and hit the free throw," said Memphis forward Shane Battier, who guarded Marion. "They made one more big play than us."

Amare Stoudemire added 22 points for Phoenix, while Marion had 21 points and 18 rebounds. Penny Hardaway scored 18, and Marbury added eight assists.

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FIGURE SKATING

# Kwan wins group at World Championships

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Michelle Kwan could have done this in her sleep.

Kwan practically tumbled out of bed to beat Russia's Elena Sokolova and U.S. teammate Sasha Cohen, winning her qualifying group at the World Figure Skating Championships. Olympic champion Sarah Hughes was sixth.

"It's odd to skate so early, compete so early," said Kwan, whose Wednesday session began at 10:30 a.m. "But all the skaters are in the same boat."

Well, they wish they were in the same boat as Kwan.

Considered the "old lady" of the sport — her first worlds were in 1994 — the 22-year-old Kwan remains a force. The lack of an Olympic title has had little or no effect on her. Kwan tends to perform steadily, and better than the competition.

She skated in only two events this year, not having to leave this country for Skate America and the U.S. Championships. She won both, taking her seventh national title and sixth in a row.

Now Kwan leads at worlds, where she has won four times. Only Carol Heiss and Dick Button have won five among Americans.

"Ah, it just felt like another competition," Kwan said with a sigh and a smile. "I feel pretty

relaxed and comfortable. It's nice not having to travel so far. I guess that is the Americans' advantage. And having the crowd cheer for you."

Japan's Fumie Suguri, the bronze medalist a year ago, won the other qualifier, followed by Canada's Jennifer Robinson and Russia's Viktoria Volchkova.

The MCI Center was about one-third full for Kwan's group, which also included Hughes, who had a ragged performance that included a fall and two shortened jumps.

Cohen hit seven triple jumps, three in combination, and had a strong conclusion to her routine to a piano concerto by Rachmaninov. She was mechanical early on, but her spins and spirals were superb at the end and she finished first with one of the seven judges. Her marks, however, ranged from 5.1 to 5.9, while Kwan's were 5.7 to 5.9.

"It takes a lot of composure to do seven triples and skate well against the tough group that we had," Cohen said.

As for the 5.1, she added: "I was kind of like, 'Whoa,' because I have got pretty high marks all season not skating as well as this."

Of course, under the interim system in use at worlds, with only seven of 10 judges' marks counting, it is unknown if the 5.1 actually mattered.

While Cohen didn't flow nearly

as well as Kwan, her program was pretty much spotless. Kwan did mess up once late in hers, and she wore an ironic smile after doing just a single toe loop as the second part of a combination with a triple toe.

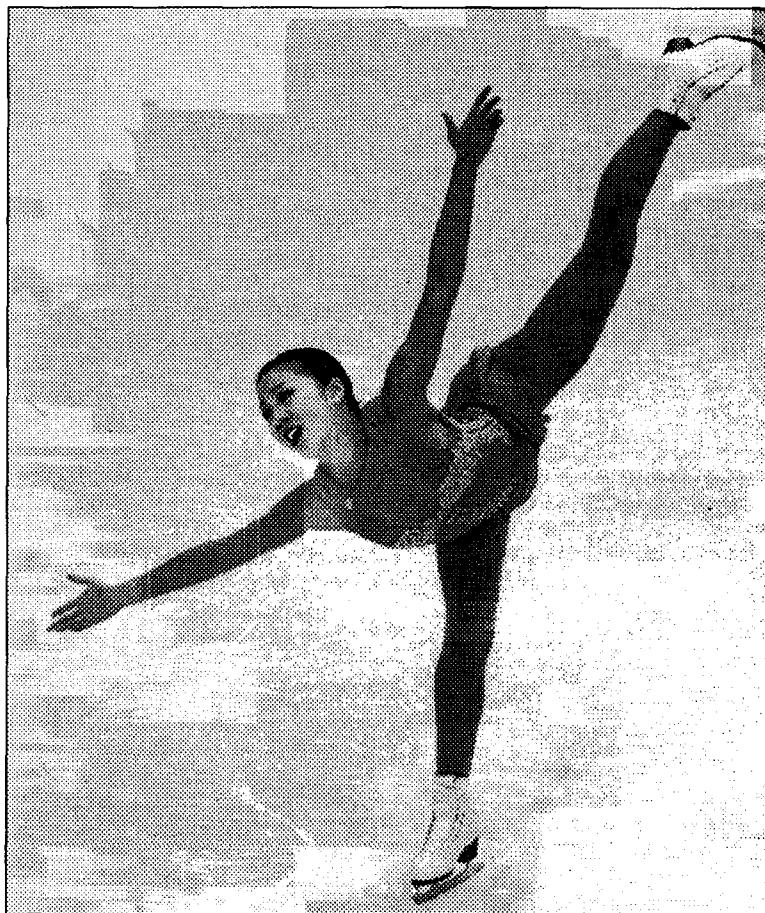
"What was that?" she said, laughing. "I was like, 'OK, got to go.'"

Hughes lacked spark and looked rusty from lack of competition this season — an injured leg sidelined her until nationals, where she was second behind Kwan. She never got in the air for a planned triple salchow-triple loop combination, and then after a nice triple loop out of footwork, she fell on a triple flip. Later, Hughes managed only a single toe loop rather than a triple.

"My body is a little tight right now," Hughes said. "I didn't have a year of competitions to rely on."

It was a disappointing performance after Hughes lit up the arena in Dallas for her free skate at nationals. Her chances for a first world title disappeared. Even a medal will be difficult for the 17-year-old high school senior who has dealt well with the distractions that follow an Olympic champion.

"This last year has been so many new things, things I'm not sure where they fit in my life," she said. "To come here is a little comforting."



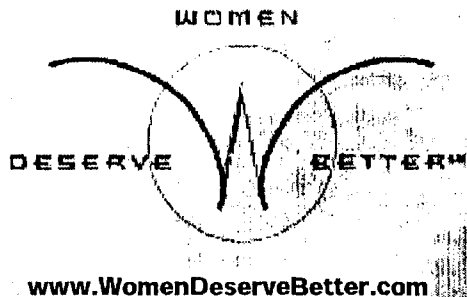
Reuters

American Michelle Kwan competes in her qualifying skate of the World Figure Skating Championships in Washington. Kwan, the four-time world champion, won her group Wednesday.

Sokolova's mouth was wide open almost in disbelief after finishing a technically strong program that included seven triples,

four in combination. Two judges had her first and her marks ranged from 5.6 to 5.9, but her artistry couldn't match Kwan's.

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## NFL

## League rejects OT changes

Associated Press

## PHOENIX

NFL owners changed nothing. The league closed its annual spring meeting Wednesday by voting down a proposal to give both teams a shot at the ball in overtime. And it tabled a proposal to expand the playoffs from 12 teams to 14.

The plan to change the overtime rule got 17 votes, seven short of the 24 required for passage.

"They made the decision because the current system presents a tremendous reward or risk. That's something that adds a lot of excitement to the game," said Indianapolis general manager Bill Polian, who helped convince the other teams by citing the Colts' 23-20 win overtime over the Broncos in the Denver snow.

The expansion of the playoffs got more support than either commissioner Paul Tagliabue or competition committee chairman Rich McKay expected.

But it was tabled until the league's May meeting in Philadelphia because, Tagliabue said, the league had to study the ramifications for both competition and television coverage involved in adding two wild-card teams.

Some teams also are concerned that only one team would have a bye under the proposed

system. And both Tagliabue and McKay noted it was a change in an agreement to wait two years with the new eight-division alignment before tinkering with the playoffs.

"We had no problems last year with the alignment," said McKay, Tampa Bay's general manager. "The teams that made the playoffs were the teams with the best records."

The change in overtime was proposed after a record 25 games went into an extra session last year. Ten of those were won by a team on its first possession and 58 percent were won by the team that won the coin toss at the start of the OT.

One of those was the game in Denver, which seemed to sway many teams.

In that contest, which was televised nationally, the Colts' Mike Vanderjagt tied the game with a 54-yard field goal in regulation. Indianapolis then won the coin toss in overtime and moved the ball far enough for Vanderjagt to try a 51-yarder into the wind, which he made.

Polian said that if it wasn't sudden death, head coach Tony Dungy certainly would have chosen to punt; he sent the punting team on the field until Vanderjagt convinced him to try the field goal.

"That game made our season," Polian said. "It's probably the main reason we made the playoffs. If there had been two pos-

sessions, a defensive-minded coach like Tony certainly would have tried to pin them back. That would have been the right call. But the reward for kicking was much greater — we won the game on the spot."

In another move, the league changed the rules involving onside kicks in the final five minutes of games.

In the past, if a ball did not go 10 yards, went out of bounds, or was touched illegally, the kicking team was penalized, but had a chance to kick again from five yards back. McKay said that while that was rewarding a team for an illegal play, coaches wanted it retained; the coaches feared teams would stop trying surprise onside kicks.

It finally passed when it was amended to cover only the final five minutes, when a trailing team often tries to get back in the game by getting another possession through an onside kick.

The owners also spent considerable time discussing racial diversity in hiring practices. There was no agreement, however, on what discipline to take against the Detroit Lions, who hired head coach Steve Mariucci without meeting the new guidelines to interview at least one minority candidate.

The Lions said that five prospective black candidates turned them down because it was clear that Mariucci was the first choice for the job.

## NBA

## Mourning plans on return if healthy

Associated Press

## MIAMI

Alonzo Mourning intends to play basketball next season, as long as his body cooperates.

"My intentions are to play. The only thing that can stop me is my body," Mourning said Wednesday in a telephone interview from Chicago. "Other than that, I know I can play."

Mourning, who was forced to miss the 2002-2003 NBA season with a kidney ailment, was at the University of Chicago Hospitals to speak with patients as part of an educational campaign called Rebound from Anemia. Anemia is a frequent byproduct of chronic illnesses like kidney disease, diabetes and high blood pressure.

"Basketball has helped give me a great lifestyle," Mourning said. "I've been doing it for 20 years, and it's difficult to turn off the switch. I want to leave on my own terms. I don't want to be forced out by anything."

Sitting out the season was tough on Mourning, especially having to watch from the sidelines as his Miami

Heat teammates floundered in last place in the Atlantic Division.

"It was difficult to sit around and watch your team suffer and leave it all out there, and know that you can still contribute to those games," Mourning said.

Mourning was diagnosed with focal segmental glomerulosclerosis in October 2000, and missed most of that season before making a surprising return. He was able to play the entire 2001-2002 season, and made his seventh All-Star team appearance.

"I want to send out a message to people that this, too, can happen to you," Mourning said about his work in trying to raise awareness about anemia and kidney disease. "You, too, are a target if you don't take care of your body."

Dr. Patrick Murray, a University of Chicago Medical Center kidney specialist accompanying Mourning on his visit, said Mourning is a role model for patients.

"He's pretty much a dream patient because he's very serious about his care, and was in wonderful shape going in," Murray said.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

# Ace finishes spring strong

Associated Press

FORT MYERS, Fla. Pedro Martinez capped his healthiest spring in years Wednesday with a dominant performance, marred only by a two-run homer by Cincinnati's Jason LaRue.

The three-time Cy Young Award winner faced the minimum through four innings and looked untouchable before stumbling in the fifth and giving up three runs. He finished with nine strikeouts and no walks.

Still, with the deadline he imposed for a contract extension by the end of spring training fast approaching and Randy Johnson having signed a two-year, \$33 million contract in Arizona this week, most of the questions afterward were about his future in Boston.

Answers were harder to come by.

Martinez said last month that unless Boston picked up his \$17.5 million option for 2004 by the end of spring training and re-signed him to a new contract, he would finish his career elsewhere.

Then he sealed his lips, and said he wouldn't discuss the matter again until the deadline passed.

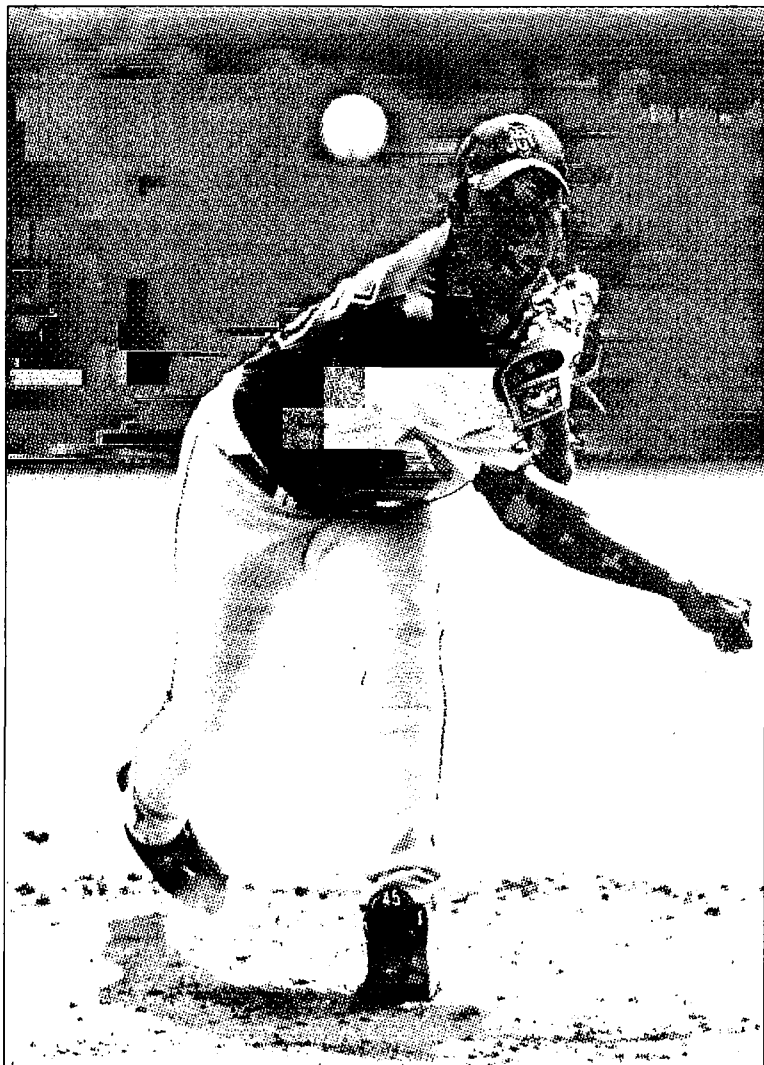
Though the deadline isn't until opening day, Wednesday was Martinez's final appearance of spring training, and reporters pushed him for hints of progress.

"It's been such a long time without doing anything, I should be pessimistic, but I'm not," he said.

But at other points, he sounded less sure. While not precisely repeating his threat and insisting he wanted to finish his career in Boston, he didn't appear to be softening.

"If they don't show that they have interest in signing me, what are they telling me?" he said. "What am I going to do — go in and beg them to extend my contract?"

Martinez said he has no rea-



**Boston's Pedro Martinez hurls a pitch from the mound in a spring training loss to Tampa Bay. The right-hander for the Red Sox has had one of his most dominating springs to date.**

son to believe a deal will be done before Monday — but acknowledged he might not be the best person to ask since he told his agent not to come to him until it's done.

Martinez was also asked if he thought New York Yankees' owner George Steinbrenner was hoping the Red Sox would lose out on Martinez, and about the prospect of one day pitching for a team like the Yankees. He acknowledged it would be quite a spectacle.

"Pedro Martinez pitching in New York," he said. "I don't even want to think about that."

PGA

# Burk takes another shot at CBS, Augusta

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Martha Burk believes it is "appalling" that women who fight for the United States in Iraq face discrimination at home at private golf clubs like Augusta National.

"Broadcasting the Masters now and showcasing a club that discriminates against women is an insult to the nearly quarter million women in the U.S. armed forces," she said at a news conference Wednesday.

Burk, chairwoman of the National Council of Women's Organizations, was invited by a half dozen City Council members and representatives of civil rights groups denouncing CBS and the club for its all-male membership.

Several council members planned to introduce a resolution Wednesday condemning Augusta National and asking CBS not to broadcast the tournament.

The Masters, the year's first major tournament, will be held April 10-13, and Burk has said she plans to protest in Augusta, Ga. The American Civil Liberties Union has filed a federal lawsuit on her behalf to hold a protest at the club's front gates.

Burk said the club's all-male membership is an affront to women in the U.S. armed forces, particularly those in Iraq.

"It's appalling that the women who are willing to lay down their lives for democratic ideals should be shut out of this club. ... Democratic ideals do not include discrimination," she said.

Club spokesman Glenn Greenspan characterized Burk's remarks as "grandstanding."

"Ms. Burk will say anything to get publicity," Greenspan said. "But if she is invoking the troops to draw more attention to herself, only three words apply — shame on you."

When asked before the news conference whether her message would be lost because of the attention on Iraq, Burk said her position would actually be strengthened.

"Women in the military know what it's like to fight for equal opportunity," she said. "While I know that more important things are on their minds, as more important things are on the mind of the nation, including us, it is just part of a continuum of discrimination."

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# Shadows of War



# Visions of Peace

## Conference Schedule

Friday, March 28

9:00am-5:00pm

- Conference Registration (Great Hall of the Hesburgh Center)

6:00pm

- Dinner at Greenfield's for those involved in the conference

8:00pm

- *War Got You Down? Visions of Peace in Troubled Times* Panel by various professors (Hesburgh Center Auditorium)

10:00pm

- Karaoke party (Great Hall of the Hesburgh Center)

Saturday, March 29

9:00-10:00am

- *Presentation by Take Ten* (Hesburgh Center Auditorium)
- *Women in War and Peacemaking* (Room 102)
  - Doris L. Bergin, moderator (Professor of History, Peace Studies, and European Studies, University of Notre Dame)
  - Johanna Hatch (College of St. Benedict), "On Stilts or Off: The Link Between Mothering Activities and Visions of Peace"
  - Gwen Ross (Antioch College), "The Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA) in India as an Example of Gandhi's Vision of Empowerment for Peace through women's Education and Development"
  - Teresa Hansen (University of Notre Dame), "Resolution 1325: The Role of Women in Peace Building"
  - Steven Malm (University of Notre Dame), "The Legacy of the Mothers of the Disappeared in Argentina"
- *Regional Conflicts of the Middle East and Central Asia* (Room 103)
  - Alisher Khamidov, moderator (University of Notre Dame)
  - Omair Ahmad (Maxwell School, Syracuse University), "Pragmatic Hands, Poetic Souls: Creating Freedom While Rebuilding Kashmir"
  - Rob Newberry (McMaster University), "Gandhi, Israel, and the Problem of Hatred"
  - Alexei Zakharov (University of Notre Dame), "Chechnya: An Inter-Ethnic Conflict?"
  - Erica Iskakova (University of Bremen), "Parliamentary and Civil Control Over the Military Forces in Kyrgyzstan"

10:15-11:45am

- *Opportunities and Challenges of NGO's and IGO's in Global Society* (Room 102)
  - Moderator TBA
  - Chris DesBarres (University of Notre Dame), "How NGOs Spoiled the Rome Statute"
  - Staci Willits (Antioch College), "Nonviolent Action and Peace Initiatives in the Middle East: Case Studies of Three Organizations and How They Might Work Together to be More Effective"
  - Adam Leonard (St. John's University), "From India to Iraq: The Role of NGOs in Creating Global Change"
  - Masako Yamano (Antioch College), "How to Improve UN Structures and Effectiveness for Global Peace and Security: A Perspective from Japan"
  - Laura Karnes (Antioch College), "Proposal to Reform and Upgrade UN Peacekeeping"

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*-Japanese Proverb*

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- *Promoting Peace Through Media* (Room 103)
  - George A. Lopez, moderator (Professor of Political Science and Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame)
  - Virginia Wilber (Drake University), "Writing to make a Difference: Journalism Promoting Peace and Human Rights"
  - Stephen Ladek (American University), "Information Technology as a Platform for Peacebuilding: A Case Study of the Virtual Agriculture Wholesale Market"
  - Simon C. DeAbreu (McMaster University), "CPNN: The News Network of Peaceful Dreams, Dreamt Into Peaceful Waking Action"
- *Religious Paths to Peace* (Hesburgh Center Auditorium)
  - Dan Philpott, moderator (Professor of Political Science and Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame)
  - Thomas Feeney (University of Notre Dame), "Prophecy and Peace: Rereading Isaiah 2: 2-4"
  - Peter J. Quaranto (University of Notre Dame), "The Pacifism of Dorothy Day: Radical or not so Radical?"
  - Leisa Shaim (Antioch College), "Judaism and Peace"
  - Nell Bolton (University of Notre Dame), "Living the Vision of Peace: Qur'anic Texts and Islamic Practices"
  - Patrick Mason (University of Notre Dame), "Preparing for Peace: Exploring Peacebuilding Capacities within Mormonism"
- *Presentation by students from Notre Dame's Washington DC Seminar* (Room 104/105)

11:45-12:15

- Lunch

12:15-1:45

- *Innocence Lost: The Effects of War on Children* (Room 102)
  - Kim Overdyck, moderator (coordinator of Take Ten, University of Notre Dame)
  - Christina Chusiau (College of St. Benedict and St. John), "Peace and War through a Child's Eyes"
  - Alanna Lungren (University of Notre Dame), "Columbia's Small Soldiers: The Forced Recruitment of Children into Columbian Military Forces"
  - Ahyoung Oh (Kyung Hee University), "Children in Armed Conflicts: What can Children do to Formulate Peaceful Solutions"
  - Vandy Kanyako (University of Notre Dame), "21st Century Youths: Visionaries of Peace Under the Shadows of Wars"
- *Justifying War in the Modern World* (Room 103)
  - Fred Dallmayr, moderator (Professor of Political Science, European Studies, and Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame)
  - John Viano (Marquette University), "War and Peace Revisited"
  - De-Yuan Kao (University of Chicago), "Why Intervene? A Comparison between the 'Two' Gulf Wars"
  - Claire Carter (Indiana University), "Is it Just? Three Perspectives on the Moral Status of the Bush Administrations Proposed War in Iraq"
  - Kristin Famula (Antioch College), "Patriotism and Peace"
  - Ky Bertoli (University of Notre Dame), "What is Happening to Just War Theory?"
- *Lysistrata presentation* (Hesburgh Center Auditorium)
- *Israel and Palestine: Open Question and Answer Forum* by Tori Fiori (Room 104/105)

2:00-3:30

- *Workshop: Resolving Conflicts with Other Americans Over the Current War* by George Lopez (Room 103)
- *Workshop: Stress-Relief* by Lisa McKay (Room 104/105)
- *Peace of Mind: Education and Psychology in Peacebuilding* (Room 102)
  - Ruthann Johansen, moderator (Professor of American Studies and Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame)
  - Titus K. Oyeyemi (Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary), "Equipping African Tribal Peacemakers Through Structured Peace Education"
  - Nathan Smith (Antioch College), "The Implications of Ken Wilber's Transpersonal and Epistemological Theories of Human Development for Peace and Conflict Resolution"
  - Caroline Nappo (Antioch College), "Body, Image, and Peace"
  - Meredith Morelli (Antioch College), "A Teacher and an Agent for Peace"
  - Jonah Liebert (Antioch College), "Educating for Participatory Citizenship in a Democratic Nation: A Case Study of a Model for Structural School Reform"

3:45-5:15

- *U.S. Foreign Policy: Blessing or Burden* (Room 103)
  - Moderator TBA
  - Alisher Khamidov (University of Notre Dame), "The Dilemmas in the U.S. Policy Towards the Islamic World after 9/11"
  - Cara Shiel (University of Notre Dame), "Plan Columbia: A Plan of War or of Peace?"
  - Mary DelaRosa (University of Notre Dame), "Economic Sanctions in Iraq: A Call to Protect Civilians"
  - Yaqoob Bangash (University of Notre Dame), "US State-Building: Afghanistan a Year Later"
- *Political Party Debate: Democrats vs. Republicans vs. Greens* (Room 102)
- *Children's Art Therapy* by Meagan Sutton (Room 104/105)

5:15-6:15

- Dinner

6:15-untill

- Concert sponsored by Amnesty International (Hesburgh Center Auditorium)

SMC TENNIS

# Belles cruise past Valparaiso for 5-2 victory

By LISA REIJULA  
Sports Writer

The spring weather allowed the Saint Mary's tennis team to travel to Valparaiso Wednesday to play a match that had been postponed a week. The Belles made the most of the rematch, notching a solid 5-2 victory over the Crusaders.

Singles winners for the Belles were freshman Kristen Palombo at No. 2, Kris Spriggle at No. 4, senior Elisa Ryan at No. 5 and Angela Sandner at the No. 6

spot.

Jeannie Knish was defeated in No. 1 singles play by Mara Sonkin of Valpo, 6-4, 6-1. The Crusaders' other singles win came at the third spot as Jill Dierberg beat Kaitlin Cutler 6-2, 4-6, 6-2 in a close match.

In doubles action, the Belles continued their winning ways. Valparaiso (2-5) managed to win just one match. Dierberg and Monika Danko defeated Cutler and Ryan 8-2 at second doubles. The No. 1 team of Knish and Palombo won their match, as did the No. 3 team of Spriggle and

freshman Lindsay Cook.

The Belles improved their record to 6-1 on the season as Valparaiso lost their fifth straight dual match. The Crusaders were coming off a disappointing 7-0 loss to Indiana State on Mar. 25.

The upcoming weekend will be busy for the Belles as they host matches at home both Friday and Saturday. First up is Aquinas on March 28. The match will take place at Lakeland Health Club in Niles in the event of bad weather.

Aquinas returns four of six starters from a squad that went

9-4 last season. Senior Kara Ferguson leads the way for the Saints as a strong first singles player.

MIAA conference foe Olivet will travel to Saint Mary's for a morning match on March 29. St. Joseph's was also scheduled to compete but has cancelled out of the match. Tentatively taking their place is the women's team from Kalamazoo Valley Community College.

The match against Olivet will be the first MIAA conference game for both teams. The Lady Comets have just three returning

players from last year's squad. They recently suffered a 9-0 shutout loss against Tiffin University.

On March 31, the Belles will be on the road again, this time against Bethel at 4 p.m. The Royals aren't off to a stellar start for the season, having lost four of their last five matches.

Saint Mary's will face Aquinas Friday at 3:30 p.m. and Olivet at 11 a.m. Saturday.

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ND WOMENS SOCCER

# Womens Soccer Showcase brings 5 top teams

Special to The Observer

Michiana-area soccer fans will be treated to a display of international womens soccer, during next week's Women's Soccer International Showcase. The games will take place on April 2, 4 and 5 at Alumni Field.

The showcase will feature five games highlighted by a Wednesday night matchup between the Mexican womens national team and the Canadian under-18 national team. Action

continues Friday night, April 4, with facing Canada at 5:30 p.m., followed by the renewal of the Notre Dame-Mexico rivalry. The Irish posted hard-fought wins over Mexico in the springs of 2001 and 2002.

The event now will conclude on April 5 with a Michigan-Mexico game at 5 p.m. and the Notre Dame-Canada matchup to follow at approximately 7 p.m.

"These games will provide a unique opportunity for Michiana soccer fans to see

international soccer played at a very high level," fourth-year Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum said.

"Mexico has enjoyed its previous experiences coming to Notre Dame for training, and this is something we hope to make into an annual event, with the possible inclusion of mens international teams as well. We anticipate this being a great event for soccer fans in this community and look forward to the challenge of facing such a

high level of competition."

The Mexican womens national team, which was founded in 1998, steadily has grown into a contender on the international soccer scene. Originally founded on a core of U.S. college players who held Mexican ancestry — including former Notre Dame players Monica Gonzalez and Monica Gerardo — the team has begun to develop a home-grown base of players who are considered some of the more dynamic competitors among the

world's young players.

Canada's under-18 national team stands with the United States as one of the world's premier teams for that age group, with the U.S. edging Canada at the 2003 under-18 World Championship 1-0 in overtime.

Top players expected to participate in the Showcase with Canada include Kara Lang — one of the world's emerging forward talents — and Brittany Timko, who has signed to play at Nebraska next season.

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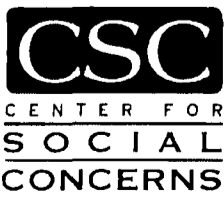
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## ND WOMENS TENNIS

## In last home match of season, Irish pull away with win

By JOE LINDSLEY  
Sports Writer

With Notre Dame up 3-0 in Wednesday's match against Purdue, all the remaining matches were in the third set and the Boilermakers, if they were to prevail in each remaining match, could have stolen the victory from the Irish.

But in their last home match of the season, the Irish held on for the 6-1 victory over No. 59 Purdue.

Like their match against Michigan Tuesday, the Irish began well against the Boilermakers by winning the doubles point and by continuing that success into the singles portion.

"Purdue always plays really hard, and that was a great match," Irish coach Jay Louderback said.

Despite the commanding score, the match was actually a close one with several matches extending into three sets.

"That might be the closest six-one match ever," Louderback said.

With the Irish up 3-0, it was freshman Lauren Connelly who came through with the requisite win to give Notre Dame a fitting conclusion to its home season.

Connelly, clinching victory for the third time this season, defeated Missy Wright, 6-0, 4-6, 6-4.

A tweaked doubles lineup began the winning momentum for the Irish.

Sophomore Sarah Jane Connelly and freshman Kristina Stastny, who have neither played nor practiced together before, claimed an 8-4 victory at No. 3 doubles. Then senior captain Katie Cunha and freshman Jennifer Smith, playing in Stastny's usual role, won 8-3 at the top of the lineup to put the Irish ahead 1-0.

Louderback was especially pleased with the performance of the doubles teams. He admitted that he and assistant coach Liz Balanis were "just shooting from the hip" when they formed the doubles lineup.

"It's just a great effort from all of them, especially those in the doubles," Louderback said. "They played so well."

The No. 2 doubles duo of Lauren Connelly and junior Alicia Salas lost for the first time this season.

Junior Caylan Leslie, who was forced to drop out of her Tuesday match due to an illness and who has been experiencing some shoulder problems, was the first singles player to leave the court with a win.

Leslie topped Purdue's Gretchen Haynor 6-1, 6-3 playing at the No. 1 position. The Irish veteran, freshly ranked 33rd nationally, has now won 11 of her last 13

matches, and is the highest-ranked Irish singles player since Michelle Dasso finished fifth in 2001.

After Leslie's win, No. 77 Salas put the Irish within a point of the win when she triumphed over Amy Walgenbach, 7-6 (7-1), 6-2.

After the match was decided, Stastny defeated Shawna Zuccarini, 2-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.

Then the elder Connelly, Sarah Jane, came back to win in the third set after losing the first for the fifth time this season. Connelly rallied to defeat Lara Burgarello 6-7 (5-7), 6-2, 6-1 at the No. 5 flight.

Despite the frequency of this occurrence, Connelly does not want to get accustomed to it.

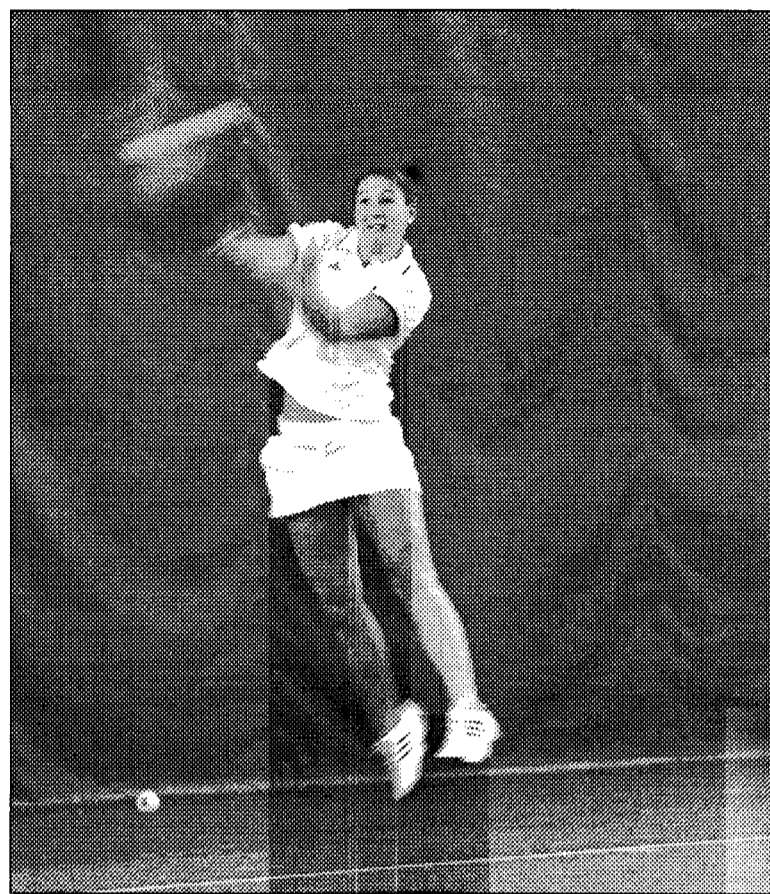
"I'm definitely not getting used to it, and I hate it more than anything, always playing from behind," she said.

Louderback also would prefer that Connelly, 19-10 overall, win her first set too.

"It's good she wins the third, but we don't want her to lose the first," he said, laughing. "She's been battling. She's just played very, very hard. The thing she's done really well is that she hasn't mentally lost."

With all their home matches behind them, Louderback is proud of an Irish squad that has done well against a tough schedule and in a season of so much parity.

The Irish embark upon the final road trips of their season



CHIP MARKS/The Observer  
Irish senior captain Katie Cunha jumps as she tries to return the ball at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

in the next few weeks, beginning with Ohio State Saturday.

"[The Buckeyes] are going to be out to get us," Sarah Jane Connelly said. "I know that they're always a really strong team. We're going to have to go out and fight in every

match. Every match is big, and winning the doubles like we did today [will be] really important."

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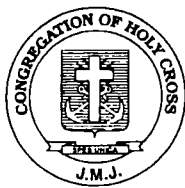


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## ND WOMENS GOLF

# Irish finish in 8th after 'mediocre' tourney

By ANDY TROEGER  
Sports Writer

After a strong week in Florida, the womens golf team was looking to continue their momentum at the Baylor Tapito Springs Shootout.

The Irish did not play quite as well as they had hoped, however, finishing eighth with a team total of 963, 45 strokes behind champion Illinois. The Irish fired rounds of 318, 326 and 319.

"It was not a terrible tournament," Irish coach Debby King said. "But it wasn't a great one either. We just had a lot of mediocre rounds. The second day

was really windy but other than that the weather was quite good."

Once again the brightest spot for the Irish was freshman Katie Brophy, who tied for 17th at 235 (80-77-78). Brophy was coming off her best week of the season in Florida when she won the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational and also had a good showing at the Northern Illinois Snowbird Invitational. She backed up those results with another strong finish.

"Katie Brophy is really hanging in there and staying very consistent," King said.

Following her was senior Terri Taibl, who fired the lowest

round of the tournament for the Irish with a final round 75. She tied for 26th at 238 (79-84-75) after also coming off her best tournament, which included rounds of 75 and 74 in a top five finish at the Snowbird Invitational.

"I'm really proud of my senior, Terri Taibl," King said. "She's really peaking at the end of the season."

Illinois won the event by three over Missouri, overcoming the Tigers on the final day. Baylor finished third, and Texas Christian and Kent State rounded out the top five.

Dae Ward of TCU won the individual crown, firing a 221 (68-75-78) to win by one over Illinois' Renata Young. Randi Gauthier of North Texas and Malinda Johnson of Wisconsin tied for third at 224.

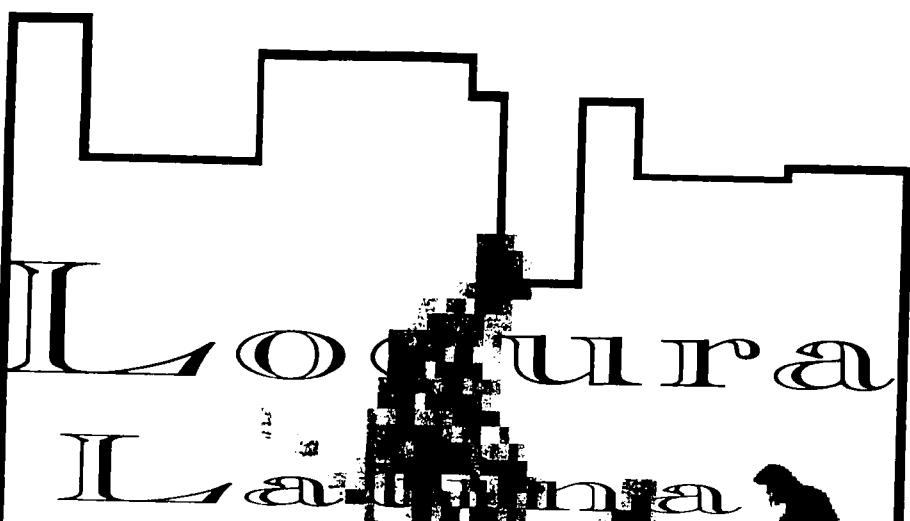
For the Irish, junior Shannon Byrne tied for 41st at 244 (81-82-81), while freshman Sarah Bassett was 45th with a 248 (78-85-85). Sophomore Karen Lotta tied for 54th at 253 (82-86-85) and freshman Lauren Gebauer finished 58th with 256 (87-83-86).

The Irish have next weekend off before heading to Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana Invitational to be held at the Indiana University Golf Course beginning April 5.

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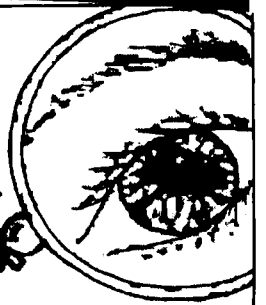
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## NHL

### Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division

team	record	pts.	last 10
New Jersey	44-20-6-5	99	6-3-0-1
Philadelphia	40-20-12-4	96	5-2-1-2
NY Islanders	34-30-10-2	80	4-5-1-0
NY Rangers	31-33-9-3	74	6-2-1-1
Pittsburgh	25-41-6-5	61	0-8-2-0

### Eastern Conference, Northeast Division

team	record	pts.	last 10
Ottawa	48-20-8-1	105	7-2-1-0
Toronto	40-27-7-3	90	3-2-3-2
Boston	35-29-8-4	82	6-3-0-1
Montreal	28-32-8-9	73	4-4-0-2
Buffalo	24-35-9-8	65	4-3-1-2

### Eastern Conference, Southeast Division

team	record	pts.	last 10
Tampa Bay	35-23-13-5	88	6-1-3-0
Washington	36-28-8-5	85	5-3-1-1
Florida	23-33-12-9	67	3-7-0-0
Atlanta	26-38-6-5	63	4-5-0-1
Carolina	22-37-11-6	61	4-4-2-0

### Western Conference, Central Division

team	record	pts.	last 10
Detroit	45-19-9-3	102	6-2-0-0
St. Louis	39-21-9-6	93	6-3-1-0
Nashville	27-30-13-6	73	1-5-3-1
Chicago	27-33-11-5	70	3-6-1-0
Columbus	27-39-7-3	64	3-6-0-1

### Western Conference, Northwest Division

team	record	pts.	last 10
Vancouver	43-21-12-1	99	4-3-2-1
Colorado	37-18-13-8	95	4-2-2-1
Minnesota	39-26-10-1	89	6-3-1-0
Edmonton	34-25-8-9	85	7-2-0-1
Calgary	26-34-12-4	68	5-3-2-0

### Western Conference, Pacific Division

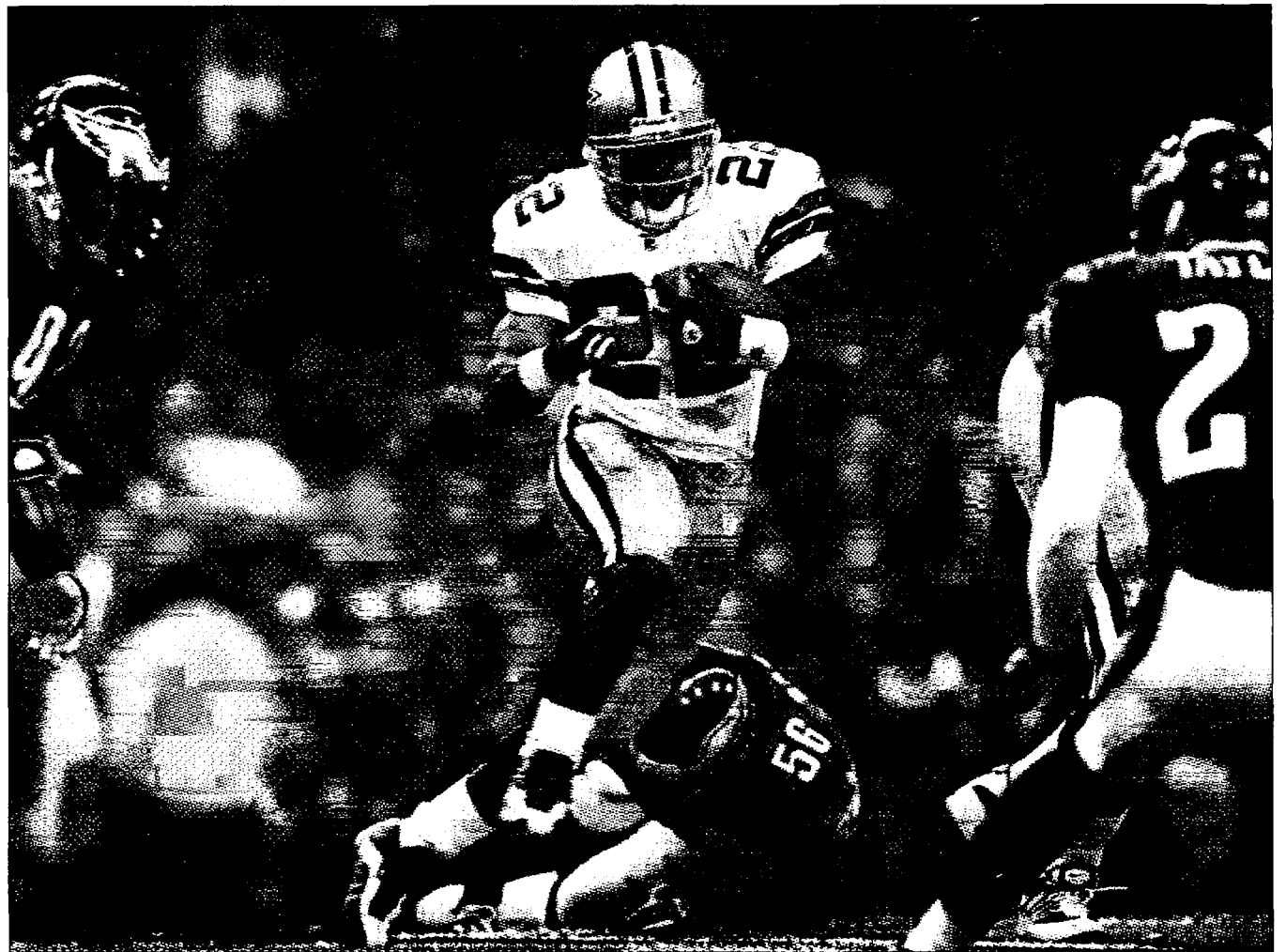
team	record	pts.	last 10
Dallas	42-17-15-3	102	5-4-0-1
Anaheim	38-26-9-5	90	6-2-1-1
Phoenix	30-32-9-4	73	4-5-1-0
Los Angeles	30-34-6-6	72	2-4-2-2
San Jose	27-35-6-8	68	2-4-0-3

## Baseball

### Big East Conference

team	W-L	Perc.
Connecticut	3-0	1.000
Pittsburgh	2-1	.667
NOTRE DAME	2-1	.667
Boston College	2-1	.667
Selon Hall	1-2	.333
Villanova	1-2	.333
Georgetown	1-5	.167
West Virginia	0-0	.000
Virginia Tech	0-0	.000
St. John's	0-0	.000
Rutgers	0-0	.000

## NFL



Former Dallas running back Emmitt Smith breaks through a hole in the line last season. Smith was signed by Arizona to a two-year contract after being released by the Cowboys and is expected to start for the Cardinals.

# Smith guaranteed to start for Arizona

Associated Press

### PHOENIX

The NFL's career rushing leader believes he still has some yards left in those 33-year-old legs. The Arizona Cardinals sure hope so.

Released by Dallas last month, Emmitt Smith agreed to terms with the Cardinals on Wednesday, moving from one of the league's most storied franchises to one of its most downtrodden.

"Emmitt will start," head coach Dave McGinnis said, adding that he will also help break in Marcel Shipp,

who led the Cardinals in rushing last season in his second year.

Smith will wear the same No. 22 he wore with the Cowboys.

The Cardinals said Smith got a two-year contract, but did not disclose terms. It was believed to be worth about \$4 million a year.

A starting job was one of the things Smith had sought and one of the things the Cowboys couldn't guarantee when they released him Feb. 27 after 13 seasons and 17,162 yards.

But Smith's other desire — winning again after

three Super Bowl victories in Dallas — may not be so easy. Arizona finished 5-11 last season, and it has one playoff victory since 1947.

Smith contributed to the Cardinals' woes over the years. He scored 25 career touchdowns against them, his highest total versus an opponent.

Overall, Smith ranks No. 1 in NFL history with 153 rushing TDs.

Smith, who will turn 34 on May 15, failed to reach 1,000 yards this season for the first time since his rookie year in 1990, gaining 975 yards.

Smith rushed for over

100 yards in only two games, including the one with Seattle on Oct. 27 in which he broke Walter Payton's career rushing record of 16,726.

"I've always been very confident in my abilities," Smith said right after being released by Dallas. "I think I'm a 1,300-yard back, and I will be out to prove that."

"I am not a guy that is afraid of competition," he said. "I walk up and face it full throttle. I will help someone's organization get to the Super Bowl, get back to the Super Bowl or win the Super Bowl."

## IN BRIEF

### Pacers trying to sign veteran Hardaway

The Indiana Pacers are trying to sign Tim Hardaway in hopes of getting an experienced point guard for the rest of the season.

The 36-year-old Hardaway, a five-time All-Star, has not played this season. He averaged 17.9 points and 8.3 assists in 12 seasons with Miami, Golden State, Denver and Dallas.

"We've talked to him," Pacers president Donnie Walsh said Wednesday. "If it can be worked out, we'll do it."

The earliest Hardaway could be in uniform most likely would be for Friday's game at Chicago.

Walsh has said he did not expect to tinker with his roster, but Indiana has showed few signs of ending a 4-14 slump entering Wednesday's game against Philadelphia.

Hardaway's agent, Henry Thomas, told ESPN he expected Hardaway to sign with the Pacers in the next few days. Hardaway has worked as an

analyst for ESPN this season.

He impressed team officials at a workout for the Pacers this month. Walsh said he did not know how effective Hardaway would be.

"If he could be half the player he used to be, he'd be good enough here in Indianapolis," Walsh said.

### Holmes undergoes hip surgery

Kansas City Chiefs star Priest Holmes had hip surgery and is expected to be running at full speed in June.

Holmes, the NFL's offensive player of the year, underwent arthroscopic surgery in Miami on Tuesday. The 29-year-old running back missed the last two games of the season.

Head coach Dick Vermeil, speaking Wednesday from the NFL meetings in Phoenix, said Holmes will be on crutches for about four weeks and miss minicamp.

"But I am told he'll be able to run full speed by June, and that's what

we're counting on," he said.

Holmes was having one of the best seasons by a running back when he was injured after being caught from behind in a game at Denver in December. Still, he finished with 1,615 rushing yards and 24 touchdowns.

While questions linger about Holmes' health, the Chiefs have decided to hold off on his demand to renegotiate his contract. General manager Carl Peterson has indicated he might be willing to discuss an extension.

### Expos' El Duque moved to disabled list

The Montreal Expos placed Orlando Hernandez on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday with tendonitis in his right shoulder.

The move is retroactive to March 21, meaning Hernandez will be eligible to return on April 5 when the Expos play the Mets.

## around the dial

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

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Kentucky vs. Wisconsin 7 p.m., CBS

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Oklahoma vs. Butler 7 p.m., CBS

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Syracuse vs. Auburn 9:30 p.m., CBS

Maryland vs. Michigan State

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Duke vs. Kansas 9:30 p.m., CBS

### NBA

Minnesota at Orlando 7 p.m., TNT

Houston at San Antonio 9:30 p.m., TNT

### NHL

Boston at Philadelphia 8 p.m., ESPN



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Irish third baseman Andrea Loman makes the throw to first as pitcher Heather Booth ducks during Notre Dame's doubleheader against Northwestern Wednesday at Ivy Field.

## Wildcats

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tunity in the bottom of the inning and had runners at first and second with no outs when pinch runner Heather Booth was tagged out when she turned around on second base to effectively killed the Notre Dame rally.

Scoring only four runs in the two games came down to one basic thing, being too passive at the plate.

"We were not aggressive at all, and that's why we couldn't get it done today," Gumpf said. "I think we didn't capitalize on good pitches. We need to hit good pitches, and we need to be aggressive."

In order to right the ship heading into the opening of Big

East action this weekend, Gumpf feels the Irish must raise their game in one area to get back in the win column.

"We need to start playing great somewhere, that's the difference," Gumpf said. "I think if we could have played great in one area, that could have carried over to the other areas."

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## Irish

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got to be able to take advantage of our scoring opportunities," Mainieri said.

The Irish were able to tack three more runs on the board in the bottom of the sixth inning. With shortstop Matt Macri and Sanchez already on first and second, respectively, Rizzo smacked a single up the middle that was bobbled by the Purdue centerfielder, allowing Sanchez to score and Macri and Rizzo to each advance a base.

After a pitching change brought in a left-handed pitcher, Mainieri replaced designated hitter Steve Andres with freshman Craig Cooper, whose groundout with no outs not only scored a run, but also put the Irish in great position to score another run by advancing Rizzo to third with one out.

Mainieri deemed Cooper's at-bat as a turning point of the game.

"The best at-bat that was a determiner of the game wasn't even a base hit," Mainieri said. "A ground ball to the second baseman scored a run and moved another runner to third base, which set up the squeeze by Thaman. That at-bat by Cooper really created two runs for us."

Thaman's successfully-exe-

cuted squeeze bunt on the very next pitch gave the Irish a 6-3 lead.

Meanwhile, on the mound for the Irish, reliever Tyler Jones gave up two more runs in two innings of relief of Thornton, leaving the Irish with a 6-5 lead into the eighth inning.

Cooper picked up another RBI in the bottom of the eighth on another groundout, and Sollmann closed out the scoring with an RBI single three batters later.

Irish closer J.P. Gagne pitched a 1-2-3 ninth inning to earn his fourth save of the season.

Notre Dame will now take a day off before returning to practice in preparation for the Big East home opening series with Georgetown this weekend, beginning with a doubleheader slated for Saturday at noon.

### Notes:

♦ With his fourth save of the season and his 10th of his career, Gagne became only the third pitcher in Notre Dame history with 20 wins and 10 saves, joining Aaron Heilman and Chris Michalak.

♦ With his 0-for-5 performance Wednesday, freshman centerfielder Brennan Grogan's nine-game hitting streak was snapped.

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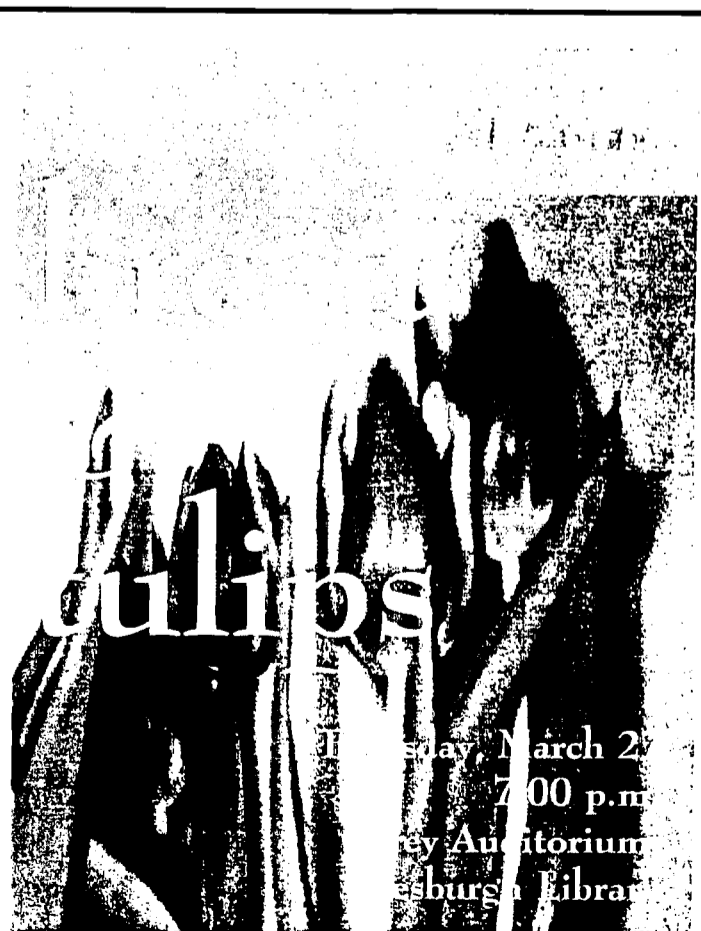
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**WATER POLO**

# Former players return to Rolf's for Classic

By **MATT LOZAR**  
Associate Sports Editor

They obviously are friends outside of the pool, but once they're in the water, it's another story.

"It's a friendly game, a fun game, but once you get in the water, we want to take them," water polo captain and club president Jay Deimel said.

The Notre Dame water polo club team is holding its Alumni Classic this weekend at Rolf's Aquatic Center. While they will play other collegiate teams, the highlight match is between the current team and its alumni.

And the younger guys always win.

"Oh yeah, all the time. They usually come in, some are in shape, some aren't. It's a good time," Deimel said. "The tournament is for the alumni, they come in from all around the country. We set it up for them."

Besides setting up the tournament for the alumni, the club team uses the event to raise money for its expenses, which are mainly from traveling.

From Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, the team went to the University of South Florida for a tournament. Out of 12 teams, the Irish finished fourth and dropped a tough match to a team of 28-to-30-year olds from Austin, Texas, in the third place game. For their efforts in what was billed as the best game of the tournament, the team was recognized in one of the local papers.

The main portion of the club team's season takes place in the fall when they participate in the Great Lakes Conference. There are two divisional tournaments and one conference tournament with the winner going to the national tournament.

Last fall, the Irish lost in the championship match by three goals to rival Grand Valley State.

"We were pretty intense on going to nationals, but it didn't work out for us," Deimel said. "It was a good experience for us, so we will be set to go."

The team practices four nights a week at Rolf's and now has optional one-hour morning practices at the Rock with the hopes of finally qualifying for the national tournament.

A unique feature of the team is its makeup with some team members having played water polo for years while others start when they come to Notre Dame. The unique mix provides ample opportunities for the experienced players to teach and the new guys to learn.

"We have a lot of guys from all around the country. Some of these guys played competitive water polo in high school and some started day one from Activities Night. They come in and ask to get on the team, sign up and show up," Deimel said. "The experienced guys for the past few years help the new guys serving as coaches. They catch on really quick."

A game consists of four 7-minute quarters with seven players from each team in a deep 30-meter pool.

The goalies are the only players permitted to touch the ball with both hands.

To say the least, it's a physical game that tests swimming endurance and "encourages" some rough play.

"The refs can only see what happens on the top of the water and not what goes on under the water," Deimel said.

The match between the current Notre Dame mens team and its alumni is scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday.

The womens club team and alumni game will take place at 5 p.m.

Other matches this weekend for the mens team includes Gannon (Friday, 7 p.m.) and James Madison (Saturday, 2 p.m.)

The final matches are scheduled for Sunday starting at 10 a.m., with the championship scheduled for 1 p.m.

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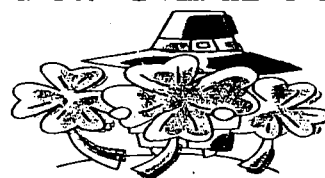
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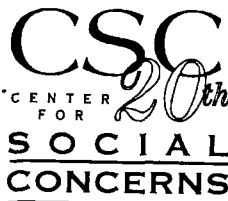
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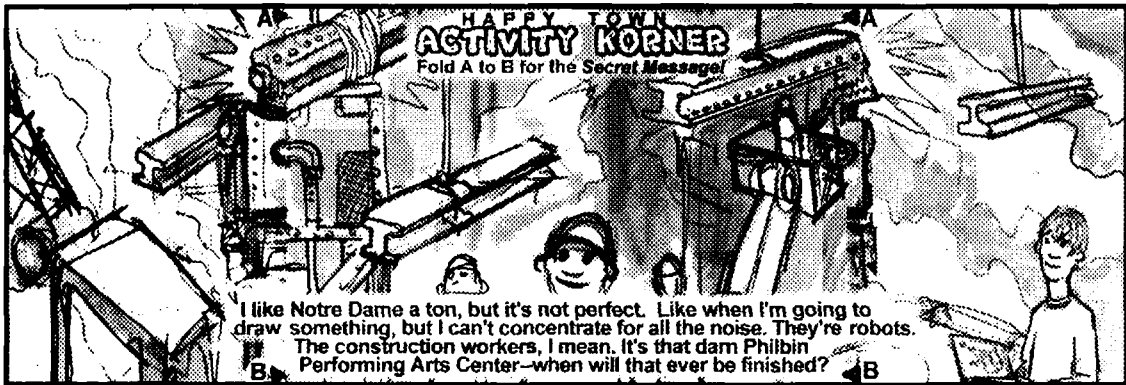
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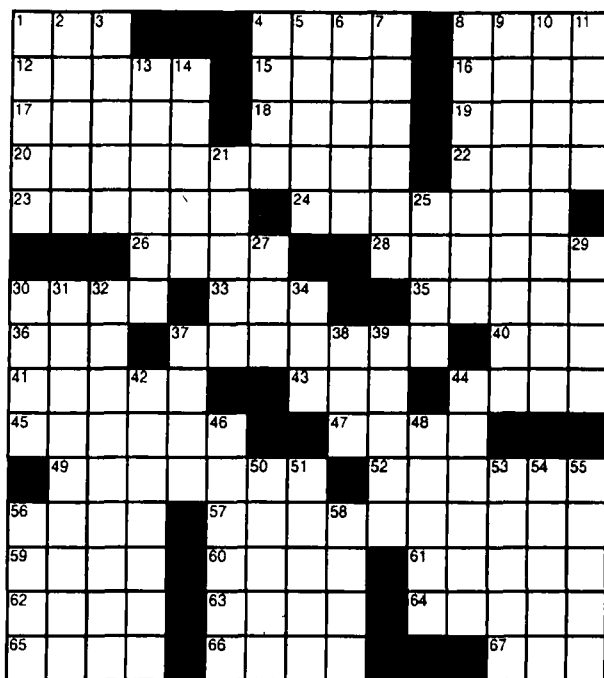
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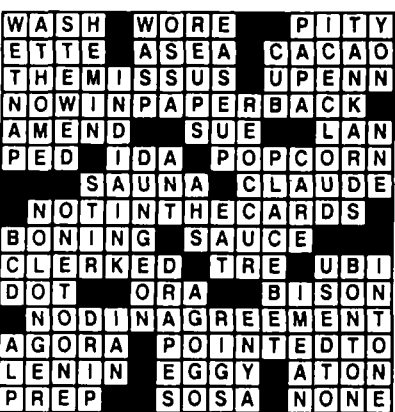
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  - 18 Put in \_\_\_\_ for
  - 19 Friend of the powerless: Abbr.
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  - 30 Not straight
  - 33 Ran into
  - 35 Pocket
  - 36 Org. for arguers?
  - 37 "Attention!"
  - 40 Part of a metaphor
  - 41 Rich boy in "Nancy"
  - 43 Heat source
  - 44 Particular
  - 45 It may smooth the way
  - 47 More than "Phooey!"
  - 49 Strong
  - 52 The house of Juan Carlos
  - 56 Region NW of Genoa
  - 57 Hurricane Carter, for one
  - 59 End of a punch?
  - 60 Leg up
  - 61 Certain fur
- DOWN**
- 1 Start of an old boast
  - 2 Bar wedge
  - 3 Animal with a black stripe down its back
  - 4 Spring event
  - 5 1980's Mideast envoy Philip
  - 6 Exclusive
  - 7 Routine
  - 8 In some way
  - 9 Tip to solving this puzzle (with the key parts to be said out loud)
  - 10 Fidgety, maybe
  - 11 Pests to Australian ranchers
  - 13 Apt
  - 14 Two semesters
  - 21 \_\_\_\_ One (indoor kart racing)
  - 25 Founding editor of The New Yorker
  - 27 Just out
  - 29 Lambaste
  - 30 At \_\_\_\_ speed (quickly)
  - 31 Like poll taxes
  - 62 It has many hitches
  - 63 Many an old Hapsburg subject
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  - 44 Egg on
  - 46 Tangle
  - 48 Famous blonde bombshell
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  - 51 Hoover's predecessor?
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  - 56 Prefix with phobia
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# SPORTS

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## ND SOFTBALL

# Irish lack fight in doubleheader loss

### ◆ No. 24 Northwestern ruins home opener at Ivy Field

By MATT LOZAR  
Associate Sports Editor

When it came right down to it, the Wildcats simply played better.

No. 24 Northwestern ruined Notre Dame's home opener sweeping the doubleheader 4-2 and 3-2 Wednesday at Ivy Field.

"We just didn't play well enough to win against a team like Northwestern who plays well in all parts of the game," Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said. "We just didn't play well enough in any area. We didn't hit well enough, we didn't pitch well enough and we didn't have enough solid defense."

The Irish wanted to jump to an early lead against the Wildcats, and they did just that on a first inning solo home run by third baseman Andrea Loman in game one. Even with that quick strike, the Irish couldn't get anything going.

"When you get down, the

other team gets momentum, and I don't think we had momentum tonight at all," Gumpf said. "Even when we were ahead in the first inning, I don't think we had any momentum."

Northwestern took the lead for good in the third, scoring three runs on just one hit. The first run came home on an RBI single while the other runs crossed the plate on a sacrifice fly in foul territory and a wild pitch.

The Irish cut the lead in half on a single up the middle by centerfielder Megan Ciolli in the bottom of the fifth. Second baseman Sara Schoonaert scored to make the score 3-2.

The Wildcats added an insurance run in the top of the sixth, and it could have been worse. Carrie Wisen relieved Steffany Stenglein (3-4) and retired two batters with the bases loaded to keep the score 4-2.

The Irish got the tying run on base in the bottom of the seventh with one out, but couldn't muster anything after that and the Wildcats took game one.

After the Wildcats scored a run in the top of the second of the second game, the Irish came back with two in the bottom of

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CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Irish first baseman Lisa Mattison attempts to tag out a Wildcat runner during Notre Dame's doubleheader with Northwestern Wednesday. The Irish lost both games in their home opener.

the third. Ciolli singled to short and Schoonaert reached on a bunt single. An error by the Northwestern pitcher on the throw moved Ciolli and Schoonaert into scoring position.

Loman came through with a two-RBI single past the second baseman and put the Irish up 2-1.

Northwestern tied it in the fifth on a two-out error by Notre Dame shortstop Andria Bledsoe.

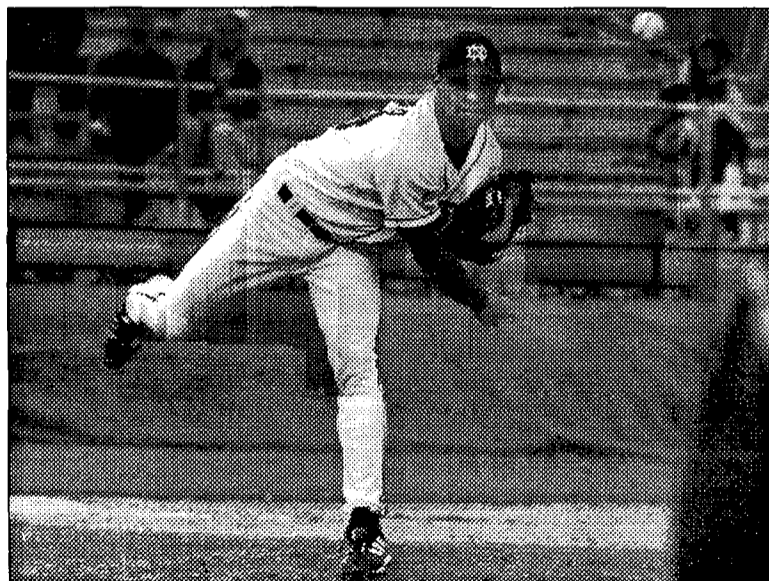
The Wildcats went up 3-2 on a leadoff home run by first baseman Jamie Dotson in the top of the sixth.

The Irish had a golden oppor-

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## BASEBALL

# Clutch hitting subdues Boilermakers in 8-5 Irish win



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Irish pitcher Martin Vergara releases the ball during Notre Dame's 8-3 victory over Toledo at Eck Stadium Wednesday.

By BRYAN KRONK  
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Some key hitting by the Notre Dame offense helped the Irish overcome three defensive errors on the way to an 8-5 victory for the home team at Frank Eck Stadium Wednesday night.

"We did a lot of little things tonight," Notre Dame coach Paul Mainieri said. "I thought [starting pitcher Tom] Thornton and all the guys we brought in did a good job on the mound. Our defense was a little shaky at times, but did enough to win. It was a good win against a good Big Ten team, so we'll take it."

The game was characterized by sloppy defensive play as the two teams combined for seven errors in nine innings of play.

Each team opened with a single run, with the Irish manufacturing a run in the second inning and the Boilermakers responding with a run in the top of the third.

For the second straight game, the Irish sent a freshman starter to the mound in Thornton, and once again, the defense gave the opposing offense some extra opportunities due to errors. With two outs, a groundout to Irish second baseman Steve Sollmann was bobbled and ended up costing the Irish two runs, as the Boilermakers were able to respond with a two-run single to give Purdue a 3-1 lead.

"I don't think Tom gets flustered at all [when the defense commits errors behind him], he's got great poise for a freshman," Mainieri said. "They've got some guys who put some good at-bats

up against him. I thought he did a pretty doggone good job for his first start in Frank Eck Stadium with a nice crowd against a Big Ten team. I thought he showed great poise."

Notre Dame responded in the bottom of the inning by manufacturing two more runs. After right fielder Kris Billmaier led off the inning with a single up the middle, catcher Javier Sanchez smacked a double to deep left-center that brought Billmaier home. After a Cody Rizzo groundout moved Sanchez to third, a wild pitch brought him home to tie the game at 3-3.

"We're not going to be a team that's going to knock the fences down all the time, so ... when we get the runners on base, we've

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## SPORTS AT A GLANCE

### ND WOMENS TENNIS

Notre Dame 6  
Purdue 1

Avenging last year's loss to the Boilermakers, the Irish end their home season with their second consecutive win.

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### ND WOMENS GOLF

The Irish finish 8th at the Baylor Tapito Springs Shootout, 45 strokes behind tournament champion Illinois.

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### SMC TENNIS

Saint Mary's 5  
Valparaiso 2

After poor weather postponed the match for a week, the Belles improve to 6-1 on the season as they defeat the Crusaders.

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### ND WOMENS SOCCER

Alumni Field will host the Women's Soccer International Showcase, featuring the national teams of Mexico and Canada, on April 2, 4 and 5.

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### WATER POLO

The Irish will host the Alumni Classic this weekend. The tournament will feature a match between current players and alumni.

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# IRISHMEN'S DREAM

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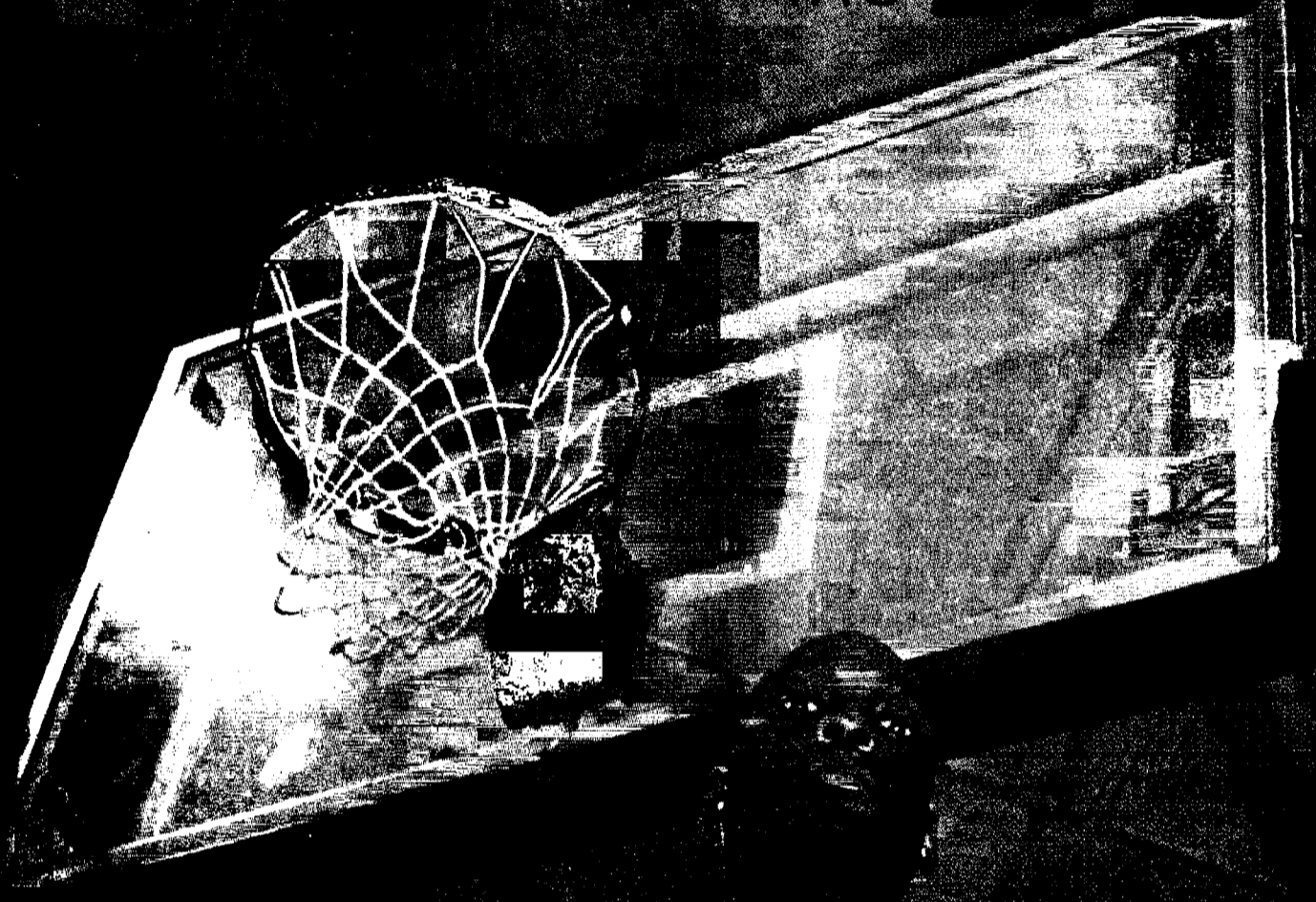


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# Under Brey, Irish now have national respect

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

They last met on a basketball court called Madison Square, when one program had three future NBA players and the other team had a lot of star-struck looks on their faces.

In the Preseason NIT Classic three years ago, few doubted Arizona, Kentucky and Maryland belonged in one of the most prestigious early-season tournaments.

But Notre Dame? The Irish hadn't been to the NCAA Tournament since the early 1990s.

Then, the Irish were out of their league, and they knew it. They lost to Arizona 76-60 in a game that was never close.

"Back then, we were in kind of awe," senior Matt Carroll said, who was a freshman when Notre Dame last played Arizona. "It was the first time we had been in that territory. You went out there and gave it your best."

Three years ago, few thought the Irish belonged on the same court as the Wildcats. Tonight, the two teams will meet in the West Regional semifinal with an Elite Eight berth on the line.

The increased respect for fifth-seeded Notre Dame — playing in the Sweet Sixteen for the first time since 1987 — shows how far the program has risen in three years of Mike Brey's leadership.

After the Irish lost to Arizona in the Preseason NIT in former coach Matt Doherty's only year at the helm, the Irish went on to finish runners-up in the NIT after narrowly missing an NCAA berth. But under Brey, the Irish have advanced to the NCAA Tournament three consecutive years after an 11-year drought. The only Big East team to win 10 league games the last three years, the Irish are one of just nine teams to win first-round tourney games in three

consecutive years.

Of course, Arizona, Duke and Kansas — the other teams in the West Regional — are also in that elite company. In the group of four, three are traditional college basketball powerhouses. Notre Dame is the relative newcomer.

But that doesn't mean Brey thinks the Irish are in over their heads.

"I like that we are in with those three programs because I think we do belong," he said. "I think we're thought of in that mix now with these three years and that step we took in Indianapolis. Our guys certainly have a lot of pride in our program now."

Back in 1999, the Irish were hoping just to stay competitive with the Wildcats and glean a morsel of respect. Now they're looking to extend their tournament run.

For Notre Dame, who plays a No. 1 seed for the second straight year after losing to Duke in the second round last year, tonight's game represents a turning point of sorts.

The team's goal since June has been to qualify for the Sweet Sixteen, and with that goal met, the Irish now turn toward making as much noise in the postseason as possible.

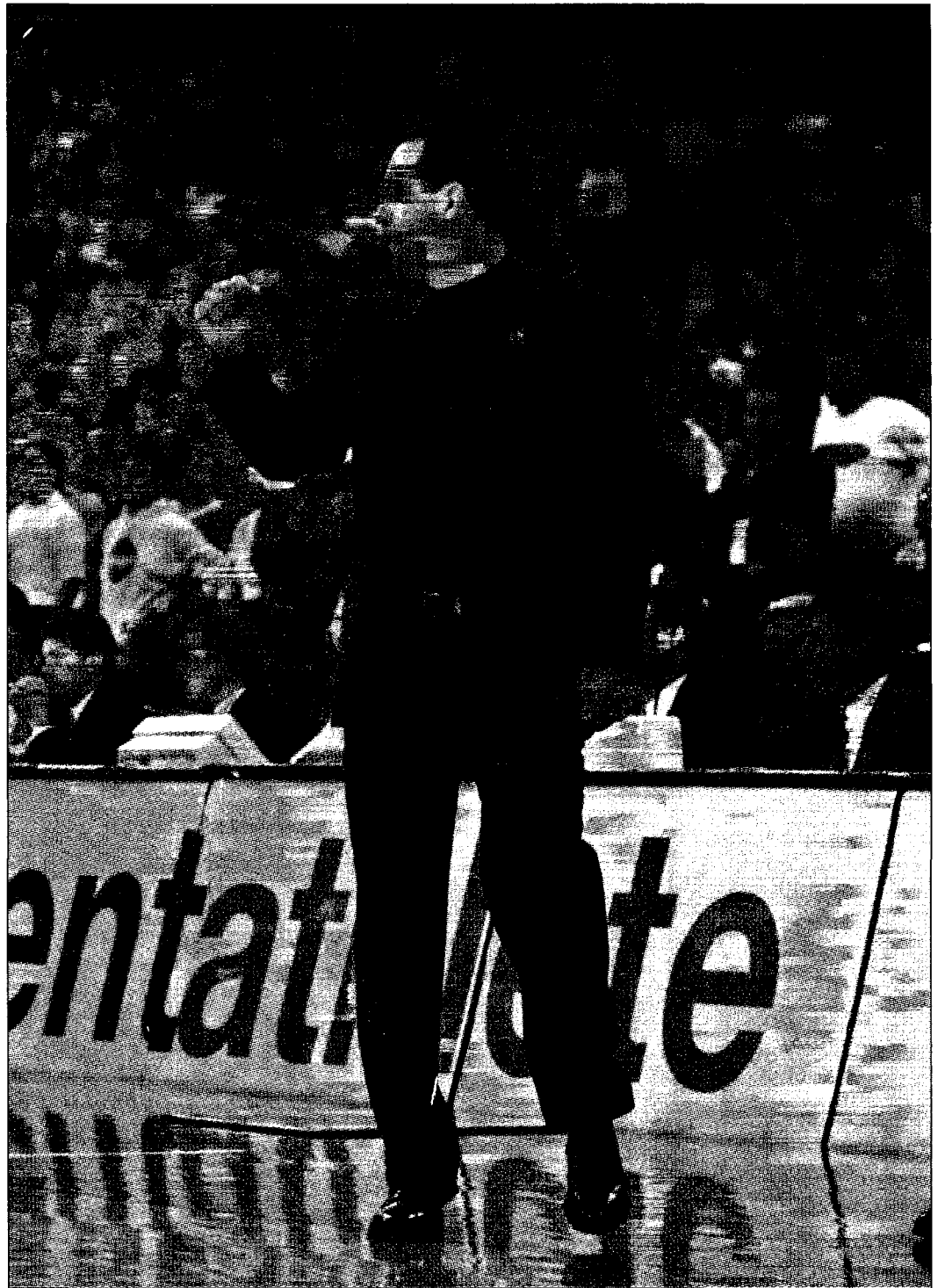
They'll try to do so at Arrowhead Pond, where Dan Miller advanced to the Final Four when he played for Maryland.

"We believe that we are one of the top programs and one of the best teams in the country, and we expect to win those games," said Carroll, who is one of two players on Notre Dame's team left from the squad that lost to the Wildcats three years ago. "We are going in there ... to go beat Arizona, even though nobody is probably going to pick us."

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**Matt Carroll**  
Irish guard



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Irish coach Mike Brey pumps his fist during Notre Dame's 66-60 win against Illinois Saturday. The Notre Dame team that got blown out by Arizona three years ago is far different from the Brey-coached squad that takes on the Wildcats tonight.

	COACHING	STYLE OF PLAY	POST PLAYERS	PERIMETER PLAYERS	BENCH	INTANGIBLES
NOTRE DAME	Brey is a good motivator and he often has his teams well prepared, especially for big games. This season is the first time the Irish made the Sweet Sixteen since 1987.	The Irish rely on their perimeter players for most of their points, but Francis has provided offense at times in the tourney. Notre Dame needs to play at their tempo and not let Arizona dictate the pace of the game.	Francis played well for the Irish in their first two tourney games by scoring rebounding and playing good defense. He, along with Cornette and Timmermans will need to shut down the Wildcats' big men like they did against Illinois.	Thomas played great in Notre Dame's first two tourney games. Carroll is healthier than last week and should be a more productive scorer. The Irish will need these two along with Miller and Quinn to shoot well from the outside to win.	Notre Dame has relied on solid play from Quinn, Cornette and Jones off the bench and they will need all three to play well again Thursday. Jones is the Irish spark and he could play a big factor against the Wildcats.	Notre Dame's goal since summer was to make it to the Sweet Sixteen. Now that they're there, they may become passive. Miller, the only player with Sweet Sixteen experience, needs to keep the Irish focused and hungry.
ARIZONA	In 20 years as Arizona's head coach, Olsen has won nearly 700 games and one national title. He has taken four teams to the Final Four and has the second highest winning percentage in Pac-10 history.	The Wildcats have a solid inside game and very good perimeter players. They also have shown the ability to score in bunches. Arizona will try to push the ball and run-and-gun with the Irish.	The experienced Walton is arguably the best passing big man in the nation. He hurts teams in different ways by either scoring, passing or rebounding. Frye will also present problems for the Irish inside.	Gardner and Stoudamire are a tough tandem in Arizona's backcourt. Gardner may be the best point guard in the country, and both can shoot well from the outside. The Wildcat bench also has several other solid perimeter players.	Arizona has one of the deepest benches in the country. Olsen plays his freshman a lot — except down the stretch when he turns to his veterans. Still, the freshmen have contributed all year. The Wildcats' depth is one of their biggest assets.	The best thing to happen to Arizona was to have a close game like they did against Gonzaga. That contest should wake the Wildcats up and have them more than ready to face the Irish.
ANALYSIS	Brey's challenge this year is to make sure his team isn't content with reaching the Sweet Sixteen. Olsen should have his players ready after a year-long drought.	Both teams can score, but the difference may be who can control the pace of the game. Each team has stellar perimeter players and big men who can run the floor.	The Irish will need another good defensive effort to control the Wildcats' big men. Walton is a multi-dimensional threat and Frye complements him nicely. If Notre Dame doesn't play tonight, it's a long night for the Irish.	The key to this matchup, and probably the game, is Thomas versus Gardner. Both will want to control the flow of the game and both can score a lot of points, especially when their team needs a basket.	The Irish can easily go to Arizona. Olsen can't rely on almost anyone on his bench to play well and his players usually respond. The Irish will need their bench to make big plays when...	Walton has nothing to lose. Arizona isn't about to allow another low seed to beat them. The Wildcats will be ready when the Irish could be awed by the Sweet Sixteen experience.

# Unwavering support

*Torin Francis' teammates gave him the confidence to live up to his lofty expectations*

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

He was just a 6-foot-10, gangly freshman when he arrived on campus this summer. He hadn't earned his teammates respect yet and hadn't shown he could fill the gap in Notre Dame's frontcourt.

He hadn't even lifted weights on a regular basis.

Sure, he had a reputation for being one of the nation's top big men out of high school, and he was good enough to earn McDonald's All-American honors. But his accomplishments in high school amounted to diddlyquat in college, and he knew that.

So when Torin Francis joined the Irish for summer workouts, he was eager to learn everything he could about the college game. His teammates, he quickly discovered, were more than eager to teach them.

That started a confidence-building process for Francis, a process that resulted in solid play from the Irish freshman in Notre Dame's first two NCAA Tournament games.

But for Francis, his work in the summer showed he could be the answer to a question that loomed over the Irish basketball program: how would Notre Dame replace Harold Swanagan and first-round NBA draft pick Ryan Humphrey?

"One thing that was questionable about our team in the fall was the type of balance we'd have between the perimeter and front court guys," Francis said. "I knew there were great expectations for me as a freshman."

Expectations, Francis now says, that he thinks he lived up to.

## Building a big man

A week ago, after Francis scored 23 points and grabbed 14 rebounds in Notre Dame's first-round victory over Wisconsin-Milwaukee, someone asked Irish coach Mike Brey when Francis started playing like anything other than a freshman.

Brey thought about the question for a minute before laying the groundwork for what Francis was expected to do when he arrived at Notre Dame. The Irish had lost three senior leaders, two of whom were major contributors in the post. Notre Dame had been a team in the past that looked down low before looking long-range. And with all the losses the Irish had endured, Brey thought they were an NIT-caliber team.

"Then," Brey said. "I saw how Torin could play."

Buoyed by a summer spent working with Notre Dame's veteran perimeter players, Francis slowly blossomed into a player who, if he couldn't dominate college foes at first, at least he could hold his own on the court.

Showing that he knew how

important Francis would be, senior Matt Carroll picked the freshman as his weight lifting partner in the summer. That started what teammates joking called a big brother-little brother relationship between Notre Dame's veteran leader and Notre Dame's primary post threat.

"In the summer, I could ask him questions, and he'd give me advice," Francis said. "If I have a problem, I know I can talk to Matty. We're really close, and it's been going on throughout the year."

But it wasn't just Carroll who spent time working with Francis. By playing countless pickup games in the summer, Francis got accustomed to how the Irish played together. The veterans, meanwhile, spent time teaching Francis the finer points of the game.

Point guard Chris Thomas, for example, made a concerted effort to get Francis extra touches so he could go to the basket more. Dan Miller used his experience to help Francis get used to playing against inside-outside players. And Jordan Cornette selflessly battled with the freshman who might take his minutes to help get him accustomed to physical college basketball.

By the time practice officially started, Francis was a confident man.

"In the summer, I tried to instill the mentality in myself that I have to be ready to go out and play," he said. "I knew I could be starting as a freshman, I knew that was a possibility, and I think being able to play early helped me gain confidence."

## Starting quickly

The philosophy of Notre Dame's early-season schedule since Mike Brey arrived three years ago has been one where the Irish play a horde of games in order to give freshmen tons of game experience early.

The plan worked well for Francis, who saw significant playing time and scored decent points in Notre Dame's first five games

of the season.

But the sixth game, an 85-80 Irish loss to Creighton, showed how much the big man had to learn. He never got into the flow of the game, got benched early and

only played six minutes.

Yet, much like he would in Big East games later in the season, Francis bounced back to record two of his best performances of the season at the BB&T Classic, where the Irish trounced Maryland and edged Texas. In the two victories over top 10 teams, Francis averaged 20.5 points and nine rebounds, which worked wonders for the freshman's confidence.

"That was definitely a boost for the team, but for me personally, I



ANDY KENNA/The Observer

**Torin Francis slams the ball home during Notre Dame's 89-45 victory against IUPUI in Notre Dame's second game of the season. The Irish found a reliable post player in Francis, who started all 33 of Notre Dame's games this season and showed promising potential over the season.**

just felt like I established my role on the team," he said. "I felt like I was getting better from then on."

## Big East big man

Slowly but surely, the Irish began to trust their big man with the ball more. An athletic rebounder and a solid defender, Brey often complemented the play of his big man even if he didn't have the points to support such generous praise.

Francis knew he was improving. Instead of merely standing with the ball when he caught a pass, Francis started making his move to the basket much quicker, which started generating more points.

In a situation that shows more about Francis' improvement than his skills, the freshman was in danger of getting taken out of a game against Pittsburgh because he was too reluctant to go to the basket with the ball. In fact, Brey had sent Cornette to the scorer's table to check in when Francis suddenly grabbed a pass, spun toward the basket like a veteran big man and scored an easy layup. After Francis repeated the move the next series, Brey waved Cornette back to the bench, and the Irish went on to knock off the then-No. 4 Panthers.

"My teammates had confidence in me, and that helped me gain confidence in myself," Francis said. "I think my teammates are willing to pass me the ball

because they said, 'If he's effective, we'll give him the ball.'"

## Stretch run

As the Big East season wore on, Francis developed a reputation as an excellent rebounder — he averages 8.3 boards a game — and a solid defender. What's more, he proved himself wise beyond his years when, if the shots didn't fall in the first half, he refused to get taken out of his game.

"I know they say that freshmen hit a wall during the season," Francis said. "Some games, I just didn't have a good game, and you can't have a good game every game. But there were games that I was effective."

The Irish began making concerted efforts to get the ball to Francis, who proved himself adept at either kicking the ball out or scoring on demand. When earlier in the season Francis seldom touched the ball on offensive possessions, Thomas would often dribble around the 3-point line waiting for Francis to establish himself.

"If you look at how many times I got the ball in the beginning of the season, and how many times I get it now," Francis said, "it just shows how much more of an effect I have on the game now."

He accomplished one of his pre-season goals by getting named to the Big East All-Rookie team after averaging 10.7 points

a game and recording nine double-doubles.

In the NCAA Tournament, Francis followed his offensive outburst against Wisconsin-Milwaukee with a solid performance against Illinois. Although he only scored five points on 1-for-9 shooting, he was a key part of a defensive alignment that limited Big Ten Player of the Year Brian Cook to just 6-for-23 shooting.

Now that the Irish are in the midst of an NCAA Tournament run, Francis has also started establishing himself as a vocal leader in the locker room. He knows the time will come when Carroll and Miller graduate, and a new wave of leaders will have to emerge in the Irish locker room to lead the freshmen in the summer.

But for now, those leaders who groomed Francis in the summer have started saying something entirely different to the player who is only a freshman by grade only.

"I wanted to establish myself in our system and get recognition as a freshman, be effective, and play on a winning team," Francis said. "My teammates helped me a lot with that."

"Now, they're just telling me to keep going and keep it up."

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# Good 'D' might not stop hot-shooting Wildcats

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At one point in the season, the word "defense" seemed to be just that to the Irish basketball team — a word.

However, in Notre Dame's first two NCAA Tournament victories, the Irish won in large part due to a stingy defense that had disappeared for most of the 2003 calendar year.

But will a strong commitment to defense be enough to help the Irish knock off top-seeded Arizona tonight?

Notre Dame coach Mike Brey isn't sure.

A year ago, when the Irish faced Duke in the second round, Brey told his players they would probably have to score 80-plus points to win, because he knew the Irish would have a tough time stopping the prolific Blue Devil offense.

So how many points does Brey think the Irish need against Arizona, who enters tonight's game averaging a national-best 85.4 points a game?

"I'm thinking about asking for a hundred," Brey said, only half-kidding.

Although Brey thinks the Irish match up fairly well against the Wildcats, who play a style of basketball similar to Notre Dame's perimeter-oriented attack, every member of Arizona's starting five averages double-digits in scoring.

Jason Gardner leads the Wildcats in scoring with an average of 14.3 points per game, but he is closely followed by 3-point sharpshooter Salim Stoudamire, who averages 13.4 points a game and shoots 44.1 percent from behind the arc.

When the Wildcats want to look inside, they can pass to either Channing Frye or Rick Anderson, who average 12.8 and 10.7 points a game, respectively.

What helps make the Wildcats so dangerous, however, is forward Luke Walton, the son of Hall-of-Famer Bill Walton. One of the best passing big men in the nation, Walton averages 10.3 points and 4.9 assists a game — the same assist average as point guard Gardner.

Couple those impressive offensive statistics with the fact that the Wildcats are a relatively experienced team, and the Irish have good reason to be worried.

"To try and guard the best offensive team in the country right now, we're not going to shut them down," Brey said. "But if we can take a few things away every now and then, that certainly would help the effort."

Throughout the season, the Irish have been a team whose defensive prowess is directly related to their offensive production. If the shots fall for the Irish, then the players appear to buckle down on defense more.

But if the shooters start going cold, as they did in the latter stages of the season when Notre Dame often gave up over 80 points a game, the Irish give up big scoring runs that put them in a hole too big to climb out of.

Against a team with as many offensive weapons as the Wildcats, Brey knows that if the Irish fall back into that trap, his squad will be in trouble.

"We are a kind of team that needs our offense going a little bit to get our defense going," Brey said. "That's kind of who we are."

Against Illinois, however, the Irish played defense in a way exactly as Brey described. They hit 11 first half 3-pointers while limiting the Illini to just 60 points in the game.

Brey believes the Irish have the offensive firepower to knock off the Wildcats. Because both teams rely on the 3-point shot, Brey thinks scores could easily spiral up into the triple-digits.

The Wildcats are also coming off a second-round scare when they beat Gonzaga in double-overtime. And all their offensive talent isn't making the Irish back down.

"To be the best, you've got to beat the best," Irish point guard Chris Thomas said, "and Arizona is on top right now."

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Chris Thomas slides in front of Pittsburgh's Brandin Knight during Notre Dame's 66-64 win in February. After that game, the Irish struggled defensively until the NCAA Tournament.

## THE SWEET SIXTEEN

### MIDWEST REGIONAL

<b>No. 1 Kentucky</b> They have the most depth and are tourney-tough. Look out everyone else.	TONIGHT 7:10 P.M.
<b>No. 5 Wisconsin</b> The Badgers are here thanks to an amazing comeback against Tulsa.	
<b>No. 3 Marquette</b> Dwayne Wade and Travis Diener have made this team a threat in the Midwest.	TONIGHT 9:40 P.M.
<b>No. 2 Pittsburgh</b> Defense and senior leadership give the Panthers a shot to make the Final Four.	

### WEST REGIONAL

<b>No. 1 Arizona</b> A scare from Gonzaga last week may have woken this giant up.	TONIGHT 7:27 P.M.
<b>No. 5 Notre Dame</b> The Irish are playing in their first Sweet Sixteen game since 1987.	
<b>No. 3 Duke</b> Duke is playing its best ball of season in the tournament and could be dangerous.	TONIGHT 9:57 P.M.
<b>No. 2 Kansas</b> After a scare from Utah State, the Jayhawks blew out Arizona State.	

### SOUTH REGIONAL

<b>No. 1 Texas</b> The Longhorns have an excellent shot at making the final game.	FRIDAY 7:27 P.M.
<b>No. 5 Connecticut</b> The Huskies are playing well after wins over BYU and Stanford.	
<b>No. 6 Maryland</b> A first round buzzer-beater against UNC-Wilmington kept defending champs alive.	FRIDAY 9:57 P.M.
<b>No. 7 Michigan State</b> The Spartans surprised many by beating Colorado and Florida.	

### EAST REGIONAL

<b>No. 1 Oklahoma</b> Star Hollis Price is having groin problems that could hurt the Sooners chances.	FRIDAY 7:10 P.M.
<b>No. 12 Butler</b> This year's Cinderella team wins over Mississippi State and Louisville.	
<b>No. 3 Syracuse</b> Syracuse has played well already and could run the table as a No. 3 seed.	FRIDAY 9:40 P.M.
<b>No. 10 Auburn</b> Is one of the tourney's biggest surprises after upsetting St. Joe's and Wake Forest.	

