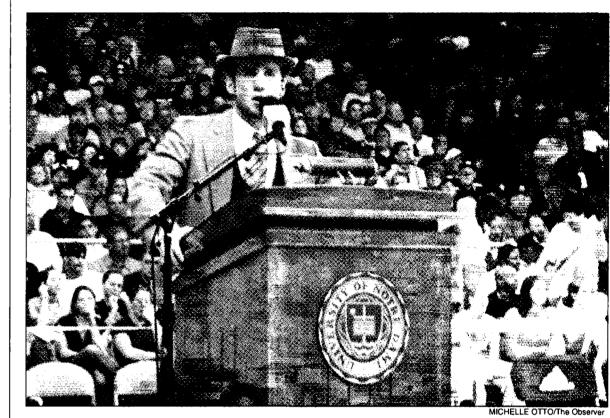


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Macaluso continues as leprechaun



Mike Macaluso, varsity leprechaun, gets the crowd riled up at the Oct. 4 pep raily earlier this school year. Macaluso will serve next year as the gold leprechaun, while John Bisanz will serve as the blue leprechaun.

By TERESA FRALISH Associate News Editor

officials University announced Tuesday that Mike Macaluso will continue to serve as the leprechaun for football and mens basketball games for the 2003-04 school years.

Macaluso, who has served as the varsity leprechaun for the last year, was chosen over Olympic leprechaun John Bisanz.

The two leprechaun positions, formerly named varsity and Olympic leprechauns, are now called blue and gold leprechauns.

Though the names have been changed, the respective responsibilities for the two positions will remain basically the same, said Bisanz. Macaluso, the gold lep-rechaun, will work at football and mens basketball games. Bisanz, the blue leprechaun, will continue working at the rest of the University's

sports. "Essentially nothing has

changed," he said.

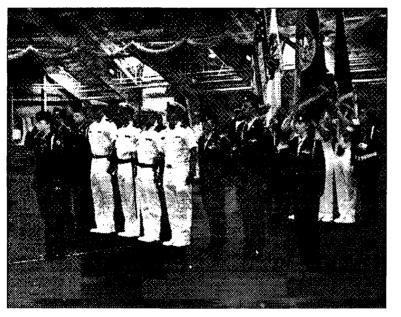
The leprechaun name changes were a part of larger changes made to the cheerleading program itself. of which the leprechauns are a part, said Macaluso.

Because of those changes, officials offered Macaluso and Bisanz, who will both be seniors in the fall, the opportunity to switch responsibili-

TRYOUTS/page 6

ROTC holds annual Pass in Review

 Army, Navy and Air Force groups conduct honorary ceremony despite small protest



SMC may punish for illegal music downloads

By NATALIE BAILEY Assistant Saint Mary's Editor

RIAA that the students are now in compliance with the RIAA's request." Kathy Hausmann, coordinator of Student Computing, posted a letter to the student body on the ResNet Web page that concerns multiple students offering copyrighted sound recordings for download through applications like KaZaA, Morpheus, WinMX, AudioGalaxy, iMesh and Gnutella. "So far, students the RIAA contacted Saint Mary's about have as few as 202 songs available for download and as many as 976." Hausmann said. According to Hausmann, the RIAA cited multiple IP addresses. All students the technology department has met with so far have been using KaZaA. The letter also warned students using their network

"[The officers were] investigating a serious incident."

NDSP assistant director

searched.

the police report said NDSP officer Paul Becker spotted a third suspect who jumped from the 2nd floor of the north wall of the Stadium. Officers chased the suspect and lost him.

was unaware of any damage or

After NDSP discovered the students had illegally entered

the Stadium, a county police K-

9 unit was brought into assist in

the apprehension of the bur-

glary suspects — a practice Johnson called standard when a

large area needs to be

According to the county police

report, county officer Mike

Banicki found Englehardt and

Parziale hiding behind an ice

machine in

the north-

east section

Stadium

and arrest-

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vandalism inside the Stadium.

It was not immediately clear how the fourth suspect left the Stadium. But Johnson said the two suspects, who were not caught in the Stadium, were later identified through an NDSP investigation.

Johnson said NDSP had forwarded the to the Office of Residence Life, adding that the case will not be referred to the St. Joseph County Prosecutor's office.

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Phil Johnson

Four ND students

break into Stadium

By MEGHANNE DOWNES

Four students could face dis-

ciplinary action from the

University after they illegally

Stadium

the

Wednesday morning before being caught by Notre Dame

Security and St. Joseph County

Police, a NDSP spokesman said.

St. Joseph County police

arrested Keenan sophomores

Matthew Englehardt and Daniel

Parziale early Wednesday

jumped the fence, entered the

Stadium and ran towards the

field, according to a St. Joseph

NDSP did not release the

names of the other two sus-

pects. Phil Johnson, assistant

director of NDSP, said no

arrests were made in the inci-

dent but added that the sus-

pects were handcuffed for offi-

gating a serious incident,'

Johnson said. "It's not uncom-

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News Editor

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By MATT BRAMANTI News Writer

Students from the Army, Navy and Air Force ROTC units at Notre Dame conducted their annual Pass in Review Wednesday afternoon in Loftus Sports Center.

Over 300 cadets and midshipmen paraded in formation before University President Father Edward Mallov.

Speaking to the cadets and over 100 spectators, Malloy talked about war, peace and the role of ROTC students in the U.S. military.

He called on the future officers to serve as examples of Christian leadership in the armed forces.

"We have tried to prepare you well here ... to be able to Photo courtesy of Sarah McMahon

ROTC members stand at attention in Wednesday's Pass in Review ceremony held inside at the Loftus Sports Center.

think about the big picture," Malloy said. "Peace does not come easily in a world that knows too much violence."

He also offered a prayer for the students, who will be commissioned as officers upon graduation.

'We pray that the leadership you provide in the military might contribute to the common good," Malloy said.

Malloy discussed the successful service of recent

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Saint Mary's students may face disciplinary action from the College as well as the Recording Industry of America as a result of illegal MP3 downloading, according to College officials.

Awareness of the illegal activity came from several cease-and-desist letters from the RIAA that said multiple Saint Mary's students were illegally downloading or sharing MP3s. Students became aware of the action in an April 10 letter from Keith Fowlkes, director of Information Technology.

The letter stated that "the College is required to contact the students that are offering copyrighted sound recordings for download, notify the students of the legal order, confirm that the students have ceased sharing copyrighted files, and report back to the

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INSIDE COLUMN What's your passion?

With Holy Week in full swing and the Passion story of Jesus echoing through churches across the world, I cannot help but reflect on the word "passion.'

What is passion? Passion is a strong emotion involving intense feelings or convictions, which also makes everyday

Sarah Vabulas

Assistant Scene Editor events meaningful and worthwhile. Passion fuels our thoughts, actions

and deepest desires. Without passion, what is left in the world? I imagine a world devoid of laughter and happiness. A world without music and art. A world lacking every-

thing creative and unique. A world missing any reason to live. So what then, makes me passionate? I'm passionate about people, both my friends and the people I

never have a chance to meet. The massive collage of pictures on my dorm room wall testifies to this love. Music. I listen to music most wak-

ing hours of my day. I'm addicted to buying CDs, I celebrate when my favorite bands release new albums and I'm always up for new music.

Three words: Atlanta Braves baseball. They have and always will be my team, so don't tell me how bad they are currently playing. I already know and I simply don't care. Yes, I do hate the Mets and the Yankees.

I love computers, especially Web design. My computer dominates most of my free time. I am the proud owner of a dotcom address and undeniably a geek. I've accepted and embraced my geekdom and even shared my skills with folks who wish they were as "cool" as me.

James Bond films — in particular, when Sean Connery plays 007. British accents are the best and coupled with cheesy (Provolone or Swiss?), sleazy Bond girl names and high tech gadgets and gizmos — not to mention beautiful cars — that make you wish you were a spy: who can't love 007?

On a more serious note, my biggest passion is my faith — my Catholic faith. After all, it is the reason I left the amazing South for South Bend. No wait, scratch that, it was the awesome Indiana weather. My faith is the reason I wake up and live my day. It is the source of all that I do or don't do. And if my passion for my faith isn't enough, then my passion for youth ministry certainly should be. After I graduate in 2006, I hope to be a youth minister for a dynamic Catholic high school youth program called Life Teen.

Yes, I actually want to hang out with high schoolers. They are awesome people with a lot to offer. I want to explore the wonders of God with them, while undoubtedly causing a little, okay a lot, of trouble along the way I believe passion is a necessity of human life. It fuels my life. It is on that note then, that I ask you this: what are you passionate about?

	CAMPUS NEWS	WORLD & NATION	BUSINESS News	VIEWPOINT	SCENE	SPORTS
E	The Student Senate backs Bishop's eport	Marines find terrorist camp	U.S. totals cost of entire war	Leprechauns should not have final decision	"Laurel Canyon" devoid of deep meaning	Saint Mary's tennis captain sacrifices for her team
	The Student enate unanimous- y approved former student Body President Libby Bishop's "Student eadership" report opic for the spring Board of Trustees eport.	A raid by U.S. marines led to the discovery of a ter- rorist camp south of Baghdad.	The Pentagon reported the war has cost at least \$20 billion and could cost an additional \$20 billion.	The Observer editorial states that the leprechaun selection committee should have chosen the leprechaun and not allowed final- ists Mike Macaluso and John Bisanz to decide.	Scene reviewer Chris Bannister gives this movie only two sham- rocks.	Senior Elisa Ryan puts her teammates before her own suc- cess.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

WHAT'S INSIDE

- Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 5 p.m. at Sacred Heart Basilica
- ◆ Baseball Doubleheader vs. Pittsburgh 12 and 3 p.m. at Frank Eck Stadium
- ◆ "War, Terrorism, and China's Place in the Global Picture" Student and Faculty Discussion 2-3 p.m. at Hesburgh Center Auditorium
- ◆ Softball vs. Indiana University-Fort Wayne 4-6 p.m. at Ivy Field

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

 World Trade Council Meeting 8 a.m. at Stapleton Lounge

Intercultural Floor Meeting
 6 p.m. at Noble Family Dining Hall

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Office produces trespass letter

The Office of Residence Life issued a letter for trespassing in the Main Building Tuesday.

Employee's car towed for violation An employee's car parked near the Post Office was towed Tuesday for a parking violation.

Student loses cellular phone

A student reported Tuesday the loss of his cellular phone at an off-campus location.

Police issue speeding citation

NDSP issued a ticket for excessive speed on Notre Dame Avenue on Tuesday.

Injured student transported

NDSP brought an injured student from LaFortune Student Center to St. Joseph's Medical Center for treatment Tuesday.

- compiled from the NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Vegetable lasagna, Italian sausage marinara, four-cheese pizza, cherry turnover, Southern-fried chicken, au gratin potatoes, cherry crisp, baked Cajun Pollock, Italian rice pilaf, Italian-blend vegetables, Swiss oatmeal, bacon, scrambled eggs, buttermilk pancakes, home fries, sea nuggets, steakhouse fries, hushpuppies,

South Dining Hali

Today's Lunch: Meatless baked ziti, toasted pretzel sticks, pasta primavera, steamed spinach, chicken and dumplings, baked haddock jardinière, teriyaki london broil, mashed red-skin garlic potatoes, Philly steak sandwich, steakhouse fries, onion rings, sweet and sour chicken, chicken and cheese chimichanga

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Bean burritos, Spanish rice, pasta, Peking duck, broiled hamburgers, onion rings, chicken nuggets, macaroni and cheese, vegetable medley, meat lovers pizza, cheese pizza, sliced ham, sliced turkey breast, hummus, tomato rice soup, chicken cheddar loafer.

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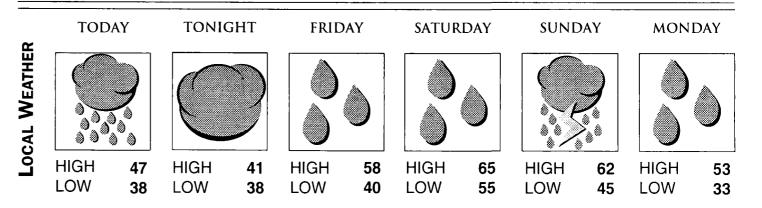
In Wednesday's Observer, the article "Students consier religious life" stated that Notre Dame was the only place where an undergraduate student could also be a seminarian. However, Holy Trinity Seminary and the University of Dallas offer the same oppotunity.

vegetable lo-mein

No dinner will be served.

Today's Dinner: Roast beef hash, turkey broccoli bake, pork loin with apple, hot chunky applesauce, cherry crisp, baking powder biscuits, grilled vegetable plate, steakhouse fries, onion rings, BBQ cantonese chicken, chicken and cheese chimichanga

Today's Dinner: Tofu teriyaki, brown rice pilaf, garbanzo bean patties, grilled chicken breast, whipped potatoes, fried chicken, chicken Gravy, chefs vegetables, apple pie, assorted cakes



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University creates Chad Sharon memorial fund

By TERESA FRALISH Associate News Editor

To honor the memory of freshman Chad Sharon, the University has helped to organize the Chad Sharon Memorial Fund which aims to provide partial support for a Notre Dame undergraduate student.

"I talked with the Sharons last week. The hope is that we can make it an endowed scholarship," said Bill Kirk, assistant director of Student Affairs.

Kirk said that depending on how much the scholarship fund raises, it would either support an endowed scholarship or provide a set amount of funds to a specific number of North Dame students.

Throughout the process, officials have worked closely with Steve and Jane Sharon, Chad Sharon's parents, in making plans for the memorial fund. While exact plans for the fund are still being worked out, the University has received about \$20,000 for the fund so far, said Kirk.

As part of an effort to support memorial fund, the the **Computer Science Club raised** funds for the memorial at their yearly spring computer programming contest, said Joe Lammersfeld, one of the event's organizers. Because Sharon was a member of the club and had a strong interest in computers, the club wanted to support the fund.

"We decided that it would be good to have a fundraiser," Lammersfeld said.

After the programming contest, in which 15 teams of students competed to solve C++ problems the fastest, the club held a barbeque and collected money for the memorial fund. To date, the club has collected about \$70 for the fund and hopes to raise more.

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of the weirdest creatures that ever walked the earth. Yet some of the scariest things he's discovered aren't likely to become extinct anytime soon. Sad to say, mutual fund management fees will probably outlast us all. That's why Dr. Sereno was afraid of getting eaten alive. So he turned

Women's Week promotes diversity

Brooks DeVita gave a presenta-

tion Wednesday about Uganda

and focused on the importance of

the new Sister School/Godsisters

student organization at the

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Annmarle Marquez

By SARAH NESTOR Senior Staff Writer

Saint Mary's celebrated women from around the world this week through sponsoring the International

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international women's celebra-

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around the world," said

Annmarie Marquez, vice presi-

English professor Alexis

tion Wednesday evening.

dent of the SDB.

Women's Week. week, The which was sponsored by the Student Diversity Board and the Intercultural Living Community, included international dance lessons, international films, a presentation about Uganda and female genital

women on the adversities that face women around the world." **Annmarie Marquez**

Student Diversity Board vice president

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very hard to educate

School/Godsisters Club helps fund scholarships for Ugandan women

to attend Saint Mary's College in Uganda. A bakesale held during the week benefited h e Godsister program. S D B

has embraced the Godsisters program, holding a bake sale Wednesday to raise funds for the program.

Each \$350 donated towards the scholarship fund provides a Ugandan woman with enough funds for one year of schooling at Saint Mary's, which offers a three to four year study program.

Jenalee Almes, one of three student organizers, said she felt the week helped to promote diversity and an acceptance of other cultures at the College. Almes, along with Sara Mahoney and Nila Ahmad organized the week of events, an expansion of year's International last Women's Day celebration.

Almes said that the week-long celebration planned to educate women and increase awareness about international ties.

'We would like to continue educating women on international issues and would like to take this week to expand celebrating our differences," Marquez said. Along with International

Women's Week, SDB is also sponsoring a writing contest with the theme "Women: Thrive, Strive and Unite." Entries are due on April 24 and can include poetry, short stories

Student Diversity Board vice president essays. The first place winner will receive \$100 and the two second prize winners will receive \$50 each.

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STUDENT SENATE Members back topic on student leadership

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS News Writer

The Student Senate unanimously approved "Student Leadership" as the topic for former Student Body President Libby Bishop's May report to the Board of Trustees.

"This report will give an update on hall dances this semester [as requested by the Board], offer an in-depth analysis of the structure and workings of the Student Union and detail the findings of the Leadership taskforce of Campus Life Council," Bishop wrote in her letter to the Senate presenting her topic. She was unable to attend the Senate meeting in person.

Senators also asked what information would be included in the report regarding in-hall dances. Jeremy Lao, student body vice president, said that Bishop would focus on statistical information, such as how many dances were held outside dorms, in other on-campus buildings or off-campus locations.

The report will also include a list of problems residence halls faced this year because of the new dance policy, such as the lack of locations and insufficient funds.

Senators expressed concern about whether or not they would know the contents of the report in advance. Because of this, Lao plans to ask Bishop to attend next week's meeting to answer senators' questions and present the information in her report.

In her letter, Bishop indicated

that she chose in-hall dances as the primary topic of her report upon the Board of Trustees' request.

Former Student Body Vice President Trip Foley, former Chief of Staff Henry Scott, Senior Class President Matt Smith, Senior Class Vice President Karen Lysaght and Kat Walsh, division head for the Office of the President, worked on the report with Bishop

In other Senate news:

 The Senate unanimously approved McGlinn senator Becca Saunders and Farley senator Meghan Hanzlik as the Financial Management Board senate Representatives. The Financial Management Board oversees financial issues such as supervision of club budgets.

 Members elected Sorin senator Ryan Finlen as Senate **Representative to the Advisory** Council on Academic and Student Life. This council was created to improve intellectual life outside of the classrooms. Through the ACASL, students and administrators work together to improve student life.

 Senators also unanimously approved three new positions on the Student Union Board. Rob Tenniswood was appointed director of publicity, Jimmy Flaherty was named the Ideas and Issues Programmer and Jelani McEwen-Torrence was appointed Multicultural Programmer for 2003-04.

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Tryouts

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ties for some events.

"Initially we thought that we could rotate that position. They're both really good and they're going to be seniors,' said Jo Minton, head cheerleading coach at the University.

"We left {the final decisionJ up to them." The leprechauns receive points for

"It came down from the higher level of the University that there needed to be some changes in the cheerleading program. This is their way of solving it."

agreed to stay with the traditional system. 'It would just create a lot of

extra dialogue," said Bisanz. The cheerleading program will undergo some reorganization for next year, although it is not clear now exactly

what those changes will be. "It came down from the higher levels of the University that there needed

to be some changes in the cheerleading program. This is their way of solving it," s a i d Macaluso. The leprechauns are

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OIT implements wireless network

By MATT BRAMANTI News Writer

In response to new developments in technology, Notre Dame's Office of Information Technologies has been installing wireless networking across campus over the past couple of years.

The wireless fidelity system, abbreviated as "Wi-Fi," uses radio waves to establish network connections without users having to plug their computers into a wall jack.

Dewitt Latimer, chief technology officer, said that "Wi-Fi" --or wireless fidelity-allows areas on campus to be networked quickly and cost-effectively.

"It's definitely not expensive," Laitmer said. "It's one of those high-yield investments."

Latimer said that the networking initiative has been targeted at high-traffic areas on including the campus, Hesburgh Library, Reckers and LaFortune, which offer connections to hundreds of users simultaneously.

We're hitting those areas that give us the biggest bang for the buck," he said.

Latimer said that some acad-

emic buildings have wireless access, including sections of the Mendoza College of Business, Riley Hall, Fitzpatrick and Cushing Halls and the Law School.

He said that OIT has been working in close consultation with University deans to plan further expansion.

"Deans can come to OIT and recommend areas [to install wireless]," Latimer said. "They know their buildings better than we do, and they know where people congregate."

However, the deans have had some reservations about the wireless system. "There are concerns among faculty members that wireless could be a distraction," Klimek said. "We're being very sensitive to the faculty's thoughts."

Despite those concerns, OIT is continuing to expand the wireless system. Tom Klimek, manager of network services for OIT, said that about 80 access points or "hot spots" are currently in place, with another 100 planned for deployment this summer. Each hot spot can accommodate about 25-40 users within about 300 feet of the antenna, Klimek said.

He added that the expansion of the wireless system is intended to extend coverage over a wider physical area, not just to increase capacity. "We haven't run into capacity issues," he said.

Latimer said that OIT is working quickly to increase the network's coverage area and projects that some 250 access points will be installed every semester. "That's about how many our staff can put in," he said.

Latimer also addressed concerns that wireless networks do not provide an adequate level of security for potentially sensitive data. He admitted that wireless systems are susceptible to hacking, but said that OIT has been working to protect users' privacy and security.

"We're treating the wired and wireless infrastructure the same, as insecure," he said. "We use encryption with any application that may transmit sensitive data.

He also said that the OIT educates users on the system's benefits and drawbacks. "We want to have a resource that helps the user understand what wireless can and can't do," Latimer said.

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Hahn to head Kaneb Center

Special to the Observer

Alexander Hahn, a professor of mathematics at the University of Notre Dame, has been appointed director of the University's John A. Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning. His appointment is effective with the fall 2003 semester.

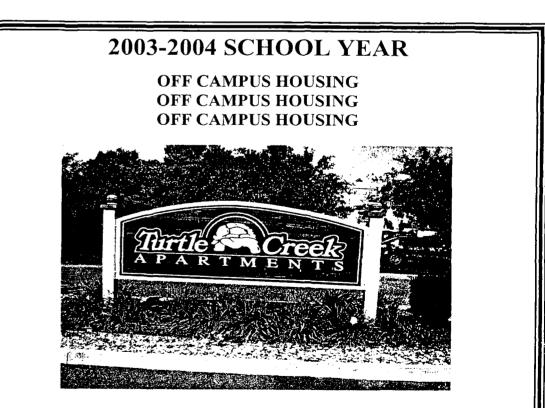
Founded in 1995 and located in DeBartolo Hall, the Kaneb Center assists Notre Dame faculty members as they reflect about their teaching and their interactions with students, and encourages the inclusion of innovative teaching technologies.

Hahn succeeds Barbara Walvoord, who directed the center until 2000, and Tom Laughner, who has served as acting director.

"Alex is a widely respected senior faculty member who, as leader of the Kaneb Center, will be able to work with

departments and colleges, as well as individual faculty, to enhance teaching and learning at Notre Dame," said Rev. John Jenkins, vice president and associate provost. "We are very pleased to have him as the center's new director.

Hahn earned his doctorate in mathematics from Notre Dame in 1970 under the direction of Timothy O'Meara, the University's provost from 1978 to 1996.



their performance in various components of the tryout

Mike Macaluso varsity leprechaun

chosen by a panel participate in a four-stage tryout process

process. Macaluso clearly won the highest number of points and the two top scores were not close, said Minton.

Though the nine-member committee offered the two leprechauns the opportunity to switch events, Macaluso and Bisanz said they both

that included a cheering at a mock pep rally, game and service situation and answering questions from a media person and panel members, said Minton.

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IRAQ

American raid uncovers terrorist training camp

Associated Press

pick up their normal lives.

BAGHDAD American troops raided the home of the mastermind of Saddam Hussein's biological weapons lab on Wednesday and discovered a sprawling, recently abandoned terrorist training camp south of Baghdad as they dug for secrets from a dead regime.

With major combat over, the Bush administration lowered the terrorist threat at home to yellow, down a notch from its wartime level of orange.

"Terrorists and tyrants have now been put on notice, they can no longer feel safe hiding behind innocent lives," said President Bush.

Inside Iraq, Army forces exchanged fire with a small number of die-hard paramilitary fighters north of Baghdad, then proceeded to take out two surface-to-air missile systems and three anti-aircraft guns left over from Saddam's military. And Iraqis in Mosul said three people were killed and at least 11 wounded by gunfire, but the circumstances were murky.

After days of looting and mayhem in Baghdad, Americans armed newly recruited Iraqi police officers with handguns to help keep order. And citizens sought to "The market is open and products are available," said Tadamoun Abdel-Aziz as she shopped with her son for eggs, bread and vegetables in the downtown Irkheita Market. But with power only partially restored and temperatures in the 90s, Baghdad residents bought three-foot blocks of ice.

Amerićan commandos backed by about 40 Marines staged the raid on the residence of Rahib Taha, dubbed "Dr. Germ" by United Nations weapons inspectors. Taha, a microbiologist, was in charge of Iraq's secret biological laboratory, suspected of weaponizing anthrax.

Three men emerged from the raid on her home with their hands up, and American troops removed several boxes of documents. Her whereabouts were unknown.

Administration officials said the desire to eliminate weapons of mass destruction was one key reason for the war, although none has yet been found.

"We're really just in the early stages of that" search, Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks told reporters at a briefing at Central Command headquarters.

The United Nations weapons inspectors also failed to find



U.S. Commanding General Tommy Franks pumps his fist upon arrival at the newly renamed Baghdad International Airport on Wednesday. A few miles away, U.S. troops uncovered a terrorist training camp during a raid.

any banned weapons in prewar searches. Hans Blix, the chief inspector, is expected to appear before the U.N. Security Council next week to discuss a possible resumption of the effort — even though the United States has not invited the international team back into Iraq.

A Marine spokesman, Cpl. John Hoellwarth, said the terrorist training camp consisted of about 20 permanent buildings on 25 acres south of Baghdad, and was operated by the Palestine Liberation Front and the Iraqi government.

ENGLAND

WHO scientists confirm virus as the cause of SARS

Associated Press

LONDON

Experiments in monkeys have confirmed the identity of the virus that causes severe acute respiratory syndrome, the World Health Organization announced Wednesday, an important step toward developing new drugs to combat the disease.

It will also help scientists trace the evolution of the virus and could help them determine whether it jumped from animals to humans, and if so, from which animals. Tests are under way in pigs and poultry to see how susceptible those animals are to SARS.

SARS, which emerged in China in November, has sickened 3,293 people in 22 countries and killed 161.

Scientists have now determined it is caused by a new member of the coronavirus family, so named because a crown shape is seen when the viruses are inspected under a microscope.

Scientists had been almost certain the new form of coronavirus first isolated from sick patients March 21 by the University of Hong Kong was the cause of SARS. But they could not say for sure until they had satisfied what is known as Koch's postulates — four scientific tests that verify whether a virus causes a certain disease.

"The Koch's postulates have been fulfilled, so we can now say for certain that the new coronavirus is the cause of SARS," said Dr. Klaus Stohr, a World Health Organization virologist who is coordinating the scientists' work.

The first test requires that the virus be found in all the sick people, but not in healthy people. The second isolates the virus from a sick patient and shows that it multiplies in a lab dish.

The third step uses the virus from the petri dish to make a lab animal sick with

the same disease as that seen in humans. The final step requires isolating the SARS virus from the sick lab animal and showing it can grow in a petri dish.

A team led by Dr. Albert Osterhaus, the director of virology at Erasmus Medical Centre in Rotterdam, Netherlands, carried out the final two verifying steps.

Early in the hunt for the cause of SARS, scientists found a virus belonging to the paramyxovirus family in some patients. It was later determined that this was the human metapneumovirus, which is known to cause respiratory problems in children, the elderly and people with weak immune systems.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Rescued POWs arrive in Germany:

A smiling Army Spc. Shoshana Johnson was carried out on a stretcher from a plane and taken for medical examinations at a military hospital Wednesday night along with six other American POWs who were rescued in Iraq. The seven were brought on a C-141 transport aircraft from Kuwait to this U.S. base, the latest stop on their return home after three weeks in Iraqi captivity.

U.S., N. Korea, China to hold nuke talks:

The United States and North Korea will try to resolve their six-month standoff over Pyongyang's suspected nuclear weapons program in talks arranged by China, U.S. and South Korean officials said Wednesday. The Beijing talks could happen as early as next week, officials said. Japanese media, citing unnamed sources, said they would start April 23. In Washington, Secretary of State Colin Powell said the agreement to hold talks was good news but added that an early breakthrough was not in the offing.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Oregon murderer gets death penalty:

A man described by prosecutors as a con artist with a taste for the good life was sentenced to death Wednesday for killing his wife and three young children. Jurors, who began the penalty phase late Tuesday, deliberated for about five hours. The same jury earlier convicted Christian Longo, 29, for the murder of his son, 4-year-old Zachery, and 3-year-old daughter Sadie. Longo had previously pleaded guilty to killing his wife, MaryJane, 34, and 2-year-old daughter Madison.

Priest apologized to accuser on tape:

A former Roman Catholic priest on trial for allegedly raping a teenager in 1985 apologized to his accuser during a secretly recorded conversation, saying he was drinking at the time. The tape was played during the second day of testimony in the trial of the Rev. George Robichaud, accused last year.

Colorado enacts school voucher plan:

Surrounded by hundreds of cheering children, Gov. Bill Owens signed a law Wednesday establishing the first state school voucher program since the U.S. Supreme Court declared such programs constitutional last year. "We're going to literally open the door of opportunity to thousands of our children," the Republican governor told the crowd gathered on the Capitol steps. Beginning next year, Colorado's law will apply to children in kindergarten through 12th grade who are eligible for free or reduced-cost school lunches.

Bush urges U.N. to end Iraq sanctions:

President Bush urged the United Nations Wednesday to lift sanctions that have choked Iraq's economy for nearly 13 years as he toured a fighter jet factory that he said helped defeat "a ruthless enemy." Bush was careful not to declare the war over, and he cautioned that coalition forces still face serious risks.

ROTC

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ROTC graduates and recognized Dustin Ferrell, a 2000 graduate serving in the Marine Corps, who was wounded in Iraq when his unit was ambushed by Iraqi forces.

Ferrell was awarded the Purple Heart, the nation's oldest military decoration.

At the Pass in Review, the cadets assembled in ranks in full dress uniforms by the branch of the military they were a part of.

An honor guard led the parade, followed by the units' leaders who carried the American flag, Notre Dame flag and flags of the military branches and the ROTC battalions. The ROTC students then saluted Malloy as they marched past him.

The Great Lakes Navy Band played the military branches' respective marches and finished the ceremony by playing the Notre Dame Victory March, as the cadets retreated in formation.

Cadets said they appreciate the opportunity the review provides to show off their military professionalism to their civilian superiors.

"It's the culmination of a great semester and an honor to have Father Malloy here," said Air Force cadet Mary Ann Mazzarini.

"It's a celebration of the accomplishments everyone's done throughout the year," Army cadet Brooks Hartnett said.

Father Peter Rocca, one of the ROTC chaplains who attended the event, praised the cadets' work as "recommitment to serving their country in the best way possible."

Nine members of Pax Christi protested the Pass in Review. Mike Griffin, Moreau seminarian and a member of Pax Christi and the Catholic Peace Fellowship, criticized the presence of ROTC at Notre Dame.

"The question at Notre Dame is who's in charge of the ROTC — the Church or the Pentagon?" Griffin said. "At a Catholic school, the church, not the Pentagon, ought to be in charge of what students learn."

Sheila Payne, a Pax Christi member, also explained the group's presence at the review

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access to share unauthorized distribution of copyrighted materials that they are at risk of being sued for copyright infringement.

"The problem is significant enough that the RIAA is asking \$150,000 in damages per illegally downloaded copyrighted song across the board," Hausmann said.

While officials said this activity does not come as a surprise to IT, it cannot track students in violation of the Saint Mary's network usage policy.

However, the RIAA can track any download to an IP address and then report the address to the college network it operates under. IT can then trace the IP address to an individual and take action accordingly.

While the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act does not allow the College to release names without a court order, students acting illegally can be contacted by IT.

IT policy involves disabling the network connection in violation and notifying the student through e-mail. The student then must attend a meeting with the the Network and System Administrator, Hausmann and Fowlkes. Once all illegal sound files are removed or disabled from the student's computer, the IT will contact the RIAA and restore the student's network access.

The RIAA has said is working under the precedent set by Napster, a file sharing and downloading system that was forced to shutdown.

According to the RIAA's Web site, the No Electronic

Theft Law sets forth that sound recording infringements (including by digital means) can be criminally prosecuted even where no monetary profit or commercial gain is derived from the infringing activity.

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Punishment in such instances includes up to three years in prison and/or \$250,000 fines. The NET Act also extends the criminal statute of limitations for copyright infringement from 3 to 5 years.

Additionally, the NET Act amended the definition of "commercial advantage or private financial gain" to include the receipt (or expectation of receipt) of anything of value, including receipt of other copyrighted works (as in MP3 trading).

Punishment in such instances includes up to 5 years in prison and/or \$250,000 fines. Individuals may also be civilly liable, regardless of whether the activity is for profit, for actual damages or lost profits, or for statutory damages up to \$150,000 per work infringed, the minimum penalty is \$750 per song.

So far, the RIAA has sued Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Princeton University and Michigan Technological University, who have students operating Napster-like systems on their networks. The RIAA also sent letters to colleges and universities warning them to halt smaller-scale activity under their networks.

Hausmann said the RIAA is most likely targeting college and university networks because students are always signed on to the network, making them easier to track, and the connections tend to be faster, making downloading and file sharing from these servers easier.

Turtle Creek Apartments Leasing for 2003-2004 • Town Houses • 2 bedrooms • 1 bedrooms • Studios Call 272-8124 for details <u>www.turtlecreeknd.com</u> info@turtlecreeknd.com While students are required to agree to the Acceptable Use Policy which includes a statement prohibiting the use of applications such as Napster, Gnutella, iMesh and others designed for downloading and sharing multimedia files, Hausmann said many students are often caught surprised and remorseful by the consequences of their actions.

"This is an education issue. People don't know that there is something wrong with doing this and we need to let them know," Hausmann said.

Saint Mary's junior Erin McGinty was alarmed by the e-mail.

"The prospect of being sued makes you really nervous," McGinty said. "I can see the RIAA taking measures to prevent individuals from downloading and sharing files, but they need to focus on future prevention, not on punishment of past actions. Downloading is so easy to do and I think most of the time students don't think that what they are doing is illegal."

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Stadium

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Englehardt, a member of the mens swim team, declined comment. Parziale said he has not yet with met ResLife, adding, "We've been asked not to publicize it [the incident]."

Laurie Muller, associate director of Residence Life and Housing, said once ResLife receives the case it will be reviewed and a decision will be made whether a conference or a disciplinary hearing is necessary. A disciplinary hearing is generally used for more serious circumstances.

Muller said the punishment for trespassing in the Stadium included a wide range of possibilities and depends on the circumstances and whether the suspects had previous ResLife records.

Johnson said trespassing offenses in the Stadium were not common, but added that they do occur on occasion.

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"Pacifism is not passive," she said. "We don't believe nothing should be done, we just believe war should not be done."

Tom Feeney, president of Pax Christi, called for an end to the ROTC program at Notre Dame.

"We feel that ROTC doesn't have a place on this campus," he said, adding, "We're incremental about these things."

Army Master Sgt. Scott Shippy responded to Pax Christi's statements, saying, "If that's their belief and their opinion, they're entitled to that. No serviceman wants to see war, but if it comes to that everyone should be behind the troops. They should be praying for the servicemen."

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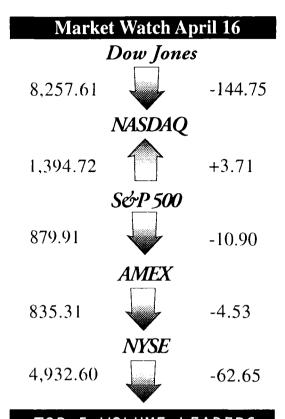
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IN BRIEF

Altria's profit slips on cigarette sales

Altria Group Inc., parent of the world's largest cigarette company, said its profit slumped 7.6 percent in the first quarter on weakness in its Philip Morris USA unit as smokers switched to cheaper brands and it spent more money trying to woo them back.

Altria still beat analysts' expectations by a penny a share.

But its shares fell in trading Wednesday as the conglomerate, which also controls Kraft Foods, said it had temporarily suspended its share buyback program due to problems in obtaining financing and that "anti-American sentiment" cut into cigarette sales in the Middle East.

Shares of Altria Group, which changed its name from Philip Morris Companies Inc. in January, shed 75 cents, or 2.3 percent, to close at \$31.70 on the New York Stock Exchange.

David Adelman, who covers Altria for Morga

U.S. has spent \$20 billion on war

 Pentagon predicts post-war costs may total \$20 billion more

Associated Press

WASHINGTON The Iraq war has cost at least \$20 billion and probably will consume that much or more in the next five months, the Pentagon's top budget officer said Wednesday.

An additional \$5 billion to \$7 billion will be needed to pay for getting U.S. troops from the Persian Gulf region to their home bases, officials said. That process is just now beginning.

Those totals do not include the yet to be calculated sums for postwar reconstruction of Iraq, the Defense Department's comptroller said at a news conference. The United States is counting on contributions from other countries to pay part of the rebuilding cost.

Dov Zakheim said military operations in Iraq to date have cost about \$10 billion to \$12 billion. Personnel costs have been about \$6 billion and the cost of munitions has been more than \$3 billion. The figures include what it cost to move 250,000 troops to the Persian Gulf area.

Between now and the end of the federal budget year on Sept. 30, the Pentagon expects to spend about \$20 billion more on military operations inside Iraq, officials said.

In human costs, the Pentagon said the war's official death toll rose to 125, including a Marine corporal killed in a March 23 firefight near Nasiriyah, Iraq. The Pentagon said it had identified the remains of Cpl. Kemaphoom Chanawongse, 22, of Waterford, Conn., who had

ZUMA PRESS U.S. Navy physicians provide medical aid to a wounded Iraqi civilian. The Pentagon estimates Operation Iraqi Freedom has cost the U.S. \$20 billion so far and that continued U.S. presence may total an additional \$20 billion.

At a separate news conference, Maj. Gen. Stanley McChrystal said that although major combat was ended, there are still some Iraqi towns that U.S. forces have not reached, including an area north of Tikrit, Saddam Hussein's hometown.

McChrystal said the war's overall commander, Gen. Tommy Franks, is sending some U.S. forces home. He did not mention any that had not been reported this week, including the USS Kitty Hawk carrier battle group, which left the Persian Gulf Wednesday en route to Japan.

The USS Constellation battle group is due to leave the Gulf this week. Franks probably will move some sort of headquarters operation into Iraq soon, McChrystal said.

"Whether it will be located in Baghdad proper, I can't say," McChrystal said. "But at some point, I think as he transitions to the next phase, he would probably recommend and stand up that kind of headquarters and put it right within Iraq."

The military's top officer, Gen. Richard Myers, said in a speech Wednesday that U.S. forces in Iraq are now beginning to focus more on hunting for weapons of mass destruction rather than fighting.

"Weapons of mass destruction, while impor-

League of America. "I have every confidence that we will find them. We're going to need some help from the Iraqi people. That is being worked very hard right now."

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Myers said he is not surprised that such weapons have not been found.

"I don't know how long it will take. They have been hiding that stuff from inspectors now for 12 years," he said.

At his news conference, Zakheim explained how the Pentagon will use the \$62.6 billion Congress has approved in supplemental spending over the Pentagon's \$364 billion for the current budget year. Nearly all the new money is for the war in Iraq and the global fight against terror.

Stanley, said all consumer sector stocks traded lower Wednesday, though he also suspected investors didn't like the news about Altria canceling its share repurchase program. "It's a visible thing that's unfortunate," he said.

Ex-WorldCom CFO faces charges

The government filed new charges Wednesday against former WorldCom executive Scott Sullivan, accusing him of lying on financial statements to secure \$4.25 billion in credit for the company.

Sullivan was already charged with ordering WorldCom accountants to move operating expenses off the books, making the telecommunications giant appear profitable when it was losing money.

He has previously pleaded innocent to the initial charges, which include securities fraud and making false financial filings to government regulators.

Sullivan was chief financial officer at Mississippi-based WorldCom when investigators say the company carried out a \$9 billion accounting fraud, the largest in U.S. history. been listed as missing in action. There are now three Americans listed as missing. tant, weren't as important as winning the war. We had a priority to win a war," Myers told the Navy

Glitch affects 800,000 student loans

Associated Press

RESTON, VA

A computer programming error has forced Sallie Mae, the nation's largest provider of student loans, to increase the monthly payments of 800,000 borrowers.

Letters informing the borrowers of the increase went out this week from company headquarters in Reston, Va. Sallie Mae spokeswoman Kathleen deLaski said Wednesday the company expects 90 percent of the monthly increases to be \$40 or less. The average increase, she added, should be \$25 per month. "It is our error and we're sending out letters apologizing for it," said deLaski. The readjustment will affect borrow-

The readjustment will affect borrowers with consolidated, or 10-year loans with variable rates — similar to adjustable rate mortgages.

The miscalculation will not impact the other 6.2 million student loans owned or managed by Sallie Mae, deLaski said. She attributed the problem to an "installation error" that resulted in the entry of improper interest tables into company computers.

The mistake resulted in a payment schedule that didn't match the total amount of principal and interest owed by the borrowers.

"The people who noticed it on the

borrower's side were near the end of the term and realized that there was a mismatch between how much they had to pay and how much time was left to pay," deLaski said.

The spokeswoman said borrowers who are unable to pay the extra amount added to their monthly payments may apply for a loan extension.

As a "good will gesture," deLaski said borrowers will receive credit from Sallie Mae for any extra interest charged to their accounts. She estimated the cost of the credit will be \$8 million.

The problem did not result in borrowers paying amounts that exceed the terms of their original loan and interest agreements, she said.

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Leprechauns should not have choice

If the committee responsible for choosing the Notre Dame leprechaun ran the world, Kansas and Syracuse never would have needed to step on a court to determine a national champion and George Bush and Al Gore wouldn't have needed lawyers to figure out who won the 2000 presidential election.

They could have just talked it out amongst

themselves. Ridiculous? Of course.

But that's how the "selection" committee

supposedly responsible for picking the man in green wanted John Bisanz and Mike Macaluso to figure out who was going to be standing on the Notre Dame Stadium turf on Saturdays this fall.

Following the rigorous tryout process, Macaluso, the current varsity leprechaun, and Bisanz, the current Olympic leprechaun, learned the results of the point system used to evaluate leprechaun candidates. The margin, according to the cheerleading coach, wasn't close --- Macaluso had won easily

But the committee, because both men are seniors and because Bisanz could

have spent two years as an Olympic leprechaun without ever getting to don the green uniform for a football game, gave the two a chance to work out some kind of deal.

The leprechaun is seen on national television at football and basketball

games. His face is the most recognizable at events from pep rallies to bowl games. He is more than an ambassador for Notre Dame — he represents its very essence. Yet had Bisanz and

Macaluso decided to split mascot duties, that single identifiable face would have been split in two.

That prompts questions like who would have played the role of the leprechaun on SportsCenter spots? Or at the pep rally before the biggest game of the season? Or stood on the sidelines at a bowl game or an NCAA Tournament site?

Because the selection committee didn't decide, Macaluso and Bisanz had to. And because Macaluso had the job a year before and had left tryouts as the leader, he got the job.

One might also question how much

impact a tryout could have when there was a full year of games available for evaluation. Macaluso, for example, was often booed when he walked on the court and even dodged bouncy-balls students sent his way at one of the last football pep rallies of the season. Bisanz, meanwhile, had raw emotion that energized sparse crowds at some of the lowestattended sporting events and didn't need T-shirts to get fans on their feet.

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Irish fans may blast Macaluso for lacking the energy of previous leprechauns. They should criticize the selection process that gave Macaluso a second straight year as the varsity leprechaun.

Macaluso and Bisanz shouldn't have had to work out some arrangement that would determine who was going to serve as Notre Dame's mascot. After all, the NCAA never gave the Irish a shot to play in the Final Four because it took pity on senior Matt Carroll.

If the committee truly believed Macaluso was the best candidate, they should have made it clear without leaving any room for discussion. But when the selection committee couldn't make a choice, they erred by giving the pair the choice.

15 things I hate about Notre Dame

So this is it: my last column. In the words of the man from Nazareth. "It is finished.'

I've been thinking a lot about what to say in my final column. I've decided that, rather than blather

Marlayna

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Here We Go

Again

on about all the things that I'm going to miss once I leave, I thought I'd talk a bit about the things I am not going to miss. So I present here, for

your edification, my top 15 list of things I am not going to miss about Notre Dame.

1) December. 2) Each and every member of the Notre Dame Security/Police, particularly the ones that are mean to me when I try to

get on campus. 3) The nine hundred handicapped spots in the JACC parking lot. You'd think that we have frequent wheelchair conventions over there with the sheer number of handicap spots.

4) January.

5) The brother-sister McFadden news anchor team on Channel 16.

6) Meeting people who pronounce my home state as "Or-e-GONE." Particularly the people who then argue with me when I tell them how it is actually pronounced.

11) Good-hearted people who write me serious responses to facetious columns. Allow me to take this moment to clarify at least 65 percent of what I've written in these pages has been sarcastic. (I'll give you a hint — I'm not even being serious right now.) I appreciate people's willingness to let me know what they think, but it's sort of depressing to receive e-mails from people that utterly miss the point.

12) Speaking of people who miss the point - I won't miss my parents' weekly responses to my columns either, which more often than not involve the words "Honey, I guess I just didn't get it."

13) That time after Easter every year when it snows.

14) The fact that the humidity is frequently higher than the temperature in August.

15) Hesburgh library. There is something about Hesburgh that sucks all the moisture out of me. Every time I go the library to do research, after about ten minutes of looking for journals, I am tired, confused, frequently hungry and always thirsty in a way that no amount of drinking fountain water can solve. The only way to solve the problem is to leave Hesburgh, at which point I magically become hydrated again.

I've been trying to come up with some parting advice for everyone. So far the best advice I can come up with is that if you're not terribly happy on campus, try moving off. It's the best thing I ever did. I don't want to give the sappy, highschool yearbook advice about treasuring every moment and loving it all. I think that if we all took the time to appreciate every moment of our collegiate time, we'd probably get about half as much done as we do. The rest of our time would have to be spent appreciating.

So here are my four pieces of advice. 1) Be nice to the people who work in the dining hall, especially the students. After all, they handle your food before vou see it.

2) Do things that make you happy. Try to avoid things that do not make you happy

3) Don't be afraid to admit that sometimes Notre Dame does not make you happy

If you are a gung-ho Notre Dame person, that's great. But if you aren't, remember that it's okay not to be. Notre Dame isn't the real world and when you get to the real world, you'll find people like you. In the meantime, you'll have benefited by both learning more about who you are and by learning how to survive in a place where you are surrounded by people who aren't like you.

4) Do not feed the squirrels — they will follow you.

So, with that, I leave the pages of The Observer for good. Thanks to all the folks at The Observer who have put my column into print for six of the last seven semesters. Also, thanks for never putting in a picture of me, or in any way identifying me. I appreciate that I can still walk into The Observer's office and no one there knows who I am.

So, as a departing senior, I leave the

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7) February.

8) Local commercials. The South Bend area has definitely spawned the worst commercials I have ever seen. The 1-800-Safe-Auto commercials spring to mind. 9) The geese and swans on the lakes. I am terrified of all birds larger than ducks. I just don't feel that birds should be that large. I also don't feel that they should have that large of beaks. 10) March.

Observer Viewpoint pages to Joe Muto. the only columnist besides myself who I ever read. Take good care of them, Joe. Maybe the people who didn't get my columns can now start writing to you.

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Do you agree with the decision to hold the ROTC Pass Review indoors again this year?

*Poll appears courtesy of NDToday.com and is based on 192 responses.



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The more I study religions the more I am convinced that man never worshipped anything but himself."

> Sir Richard Francis Burton **British explorer**

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You've got (junk) mail

Some people believe that the Internet is the most significant technological breakthrough since the invention of the Gutenberg press. Others see it as a catalyst quickening our cultural decline

towards Gomorrah from a slouch to a high speed luge. As for myself, I subscribe to neither of these extreme views. It seems to me that

on any sober and

Englishman Abroad

Peter Wicks

balanced analysis it is plain that the Internet is first and foremost an instrument for selling lobster. Indeed it is by far the most sophisticated lobster-sales device the world has ever known

When I check my e-mail each morning I invariably find that any e-mails from people I know are buried amongst 30 or more unsolicited e-mails offering me a smorgasbord of products and services in which I have no interest. The most frequent offerings include implausibly beneficent real estate deals, miracle weight loss plans and any number of treatments which promise to augment a variety of my body parts, including some parts I do not possess.

I have been receiving these unwanted emails for a long time now, but it is only in recent months that I have started to

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receive an e-mail every morning which bears the legend, "re: Your 50 pounds of Lobster". These e-mails originate from a company that promises me that I am absolutely entitled to 50 pounds of absolutely free lobster with absolutely no strings attached, guaranteed.

The slang term for electronic junk-mail is spam, the name being taken from a thoroughly unpleasant canned meat product which lasts for an extraordinarily long time, partly because it's loaded with preservatives and partly because no one in their right mind would eat it. In some respects it's like a Twinkie, except that a pig had to die to make it.

The origins of the Internet can be traced to ARPANET, a communications system developed by the Department of Defense during the Cold War to ensure that in the event of a nuclear attack which disabled civilian communications, military top brass would still be able to access pictures of naked celebrities and exchange opinions about the most recent episode of Star Trek.

Al Gore never actually claimed to have invented the Internet. He said that when he was in Congress he took the initiative in creating it, which was a rather selfaggrandizing way of referring to the fact that he was responsible for some legislation which helped to turn the Internet into

a revolutionary commercial force. And with the electronic commerce came the electronic junk mail, offering all the annoyance of the real thing at a fraction of the ecological cost.

All of which brings us back to my 50 pounds of lobster. Now I have been assuming that, despite the vigorous assurances to the contrary, if I were to elect to receive the lobster I would incur some kind of hidden cost. Perhaps I would be required to send 50 pounds of lobster to three other people along with instructions that they should do the same, or maybe I would be charged \$130 for shipping and handling.

I have assumed that there must be some such catch because elementary economics tells me that any business which was in the habit of sending 50 pounds of absolutely free lobster to people who had absolutely not asked for it would absolutely go out of business, guaranteed. But that sort of thinking just shows how out of date I am. In the New Economy there has been no shortage of people willing to invest in companies which are no more likely to make a profit than they are to make an actual product.

But the Internet has its benefits too. Speaking as a lifelong insomniac, the Internet Movie Database is a godsend. In the days before the Web I could stare at

the ceiling for hours while trying to remember the name of the actor who starred opposite James Belushi in Oliver Stone's (deservedly) little known TV miniseries Wild Palms. Now, thanks to the wonder of the Database I can find out in a few seconds that it was David Warner and use the time I have saved to read opinions about the show written by people who I don't know and who seem to be incapable of ending a sentence without using one or more exclamation marks. This is progress, of a sort.

Just last week I filed my taxes over the Internet. This proved much more convenient than the old system, not least because if I had been using pen and paper it is almost certain that at some point on the second day of my attempt to decipher the IRS's arcane instructions I would have taken my pen and thrust it in to my own jugular, spilling lobster-red blood all over my returns.

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A closer look at the people of the Middle East Terrorism is not a part of Islam Ignorance comes from rulers

Although John Litle's April 11 column was not well-delivered, I find it disheartening that the responses it has garnered thus far have not focused on the main point of it and, worse yet, even criticized The Observer for publishing it. There is validity in the argument that the vast majority of the Middle Eastern community, through no fault of their own, is ignorant.

By vast majority, I mean the common people of the Middle East and not the small percentage of the educated upper-class who completely control the resources, education and opportunities of these countries. It is this small percentage that is to blame, for they have used religion, lear and censorship to satisfy their greed and deprive the population of education and the opportunity for a better life. In doing so, not only have they betrayed their own people, they have also decreased the progress of technology and civilization in these countries, something a member of academia such as Dr. Bualuan knows Unfortunately, the rulers also control the media and look to the scapegoats of Israel and the United States to blame for the condition of their people. If you believe the American media does not give a very broad view of the world, you should take a look at media within the Middle East. Even those who see through this propaganda still have nowhere to turn;

no citizen of Syria without a penchant for being stoned to death would publicly protest his government.

Although I am for the war in Iraq, I would be infuriated to see no one opposing it. That would be a failure of democracy, and I'm glad the antiwar protesters have the courage to oppose the majority. Similarly, Litle's column, while inflammatory, has a good point, and to suggest that The Observer shouldn't have published it is lunacy. Censorship only leads to ignorance and if you want that you can go live in the Middle East.

Though unfortunately Litle fails to realize this, being an "Arab" has absolutely nothing to do with the argument he makes. Many other ethnicities have suffered enforced ignorance at the hands of an oppressive government as well. America is living proof that all people, regardless of ethnicity, can succeed when given the education and opportunity. Were it not for the brilliant and hard working Arabs, Africans, Europeans and others who make up America, we would not be where we are today. I hope for the sake of all of the great Middle Eastern people that America continues to clean up the mess that a few greedy leaders have created in that part of the world.

I was reading an article in The Observer, and I decided to express my point of view about the Middle East and the Arab community living there. Being Turkish has given me a chance to see the Middle Eastern world through a different perspective. I grew up in a city that is very close to the Turkish borders of Syria and Iraq. I have friends who are Turkish, Arab and Kurd. These people are 'modern" people and aware of their religion.

If you look at the Arab world in the Middle East, especially in Iraq and Iran, you see a world lacking both education and the ability to improve one's awareness of their country and the world. It is true that the Middle East Arabs don't know much about world issues, but it is not because they want to ignore what's happening. It is because they are taught things without the facts. These people are the victims of dictatorship, which bans them from having televisions, radios and foreign publishing, so that they can be easily brainwashed and taught to hate the United States. It is wrong to blame Islam for acts of terrorism. Islam is not about putting women in black garments or having greasy, longbearded men. It is definitely not about terrorism. Islam is a religion which respects all kinds of people. Islam cannot be used "as a weapon," and it does not promote the idea of building terrorist groups to kill people from other religions. I find it wrong to see all Muslims as ignorant and violent. I am sure you are thinking that if Islam is not about terrorism, then why is this group of Muslims threatening innocent people and trying to terrorize the world? It is because these men are misinterpreting their religion for their own benefits. They hate the United States because as they misinterpreted their religion, they created for themselves a world full of hate and dictatorship with strict rules. Since the United States is one the most powerful countries, they reflect their hatred to Americans. The Middle East has not been like this

since the Middle Ages. Many countries in the Middle East have been improving according to the world's development after the Middle Ages. In my tenth grade history class, I saw a picture of the Afghan people in the 1910s, and I was surprised to see that these people were dressed in modern clothing. It is a fact that having leaders who enforced ideas of violation, oppression and terrorism forced their citizens to be involved in terrorist attacks or to be indifferent about what is happening in their own country.

In high school, I was told not to judge people as ignorant or uneducated because of their physical appearances, what they believe or where they come from. I have seen a lot of people who dress in expensive clothing and have had a good education. These people try to show off their intelligence by making commenus about countries in which they do not completely know the history, geography or the people. I believe that there are things that exist in this world that lead some people to become overly ambitious for benefits. It is a law of nature; there have always been bad people and good people. As human beings, we should show that we have brains by finding ways to deal with these bad people other than fighting or killing ourselves like animals. It is also a law of nature that states once one starts killing, innocent people are going to die. It does not matter if you have the most developed technological weapons. A country can only be saved by its own people since it needs to be fed by its own culture, religion and traditions. People like Saddam Hussein and Osama bin Ladin go over the line by killing people and planning to use nuclear weapons while they oppress their own people. It is in our hands to destroy these maniacs - not by using their way of violence, but by finding a humane solution.

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MOVIE REVIEW

'Journey' is inspirational but incomplete

By BJ STREW Scene Movie Critic

After Frederick Douglass, it was all downhill for the chiasmus.

Nevertheless, amateur filmmaker Eric Saperston gives it the old college try. Sometimes you take a trip, sometimes the trip takes you." What a wildly novel insight. Give us a break - a Deadhead who decides on a whim to endow his little vanity project (following the Grateful Dead, working in Aspen, filming it all) with some weight, that elusive element that might elevate it from little-vanityproject to serious-documentary?

This is stale inspirational drivel in the vein of Lifetime movies and Deepak Chopra books. It lacks the focus that might have imbued the film with poignancy and, at least, pertinence. Instead it's a run-of-the-mill superficial musing on the meaning of life — oh, and with the truly original "journey" metaphor. Attempting to lend this hoary metaphor big-name credibility, Saperston invokes the sunny, all-American experiences of Jimmy Carter, a few Fortune 500 execs, insipid musicians and so on.

Hendrik Hertzberg was right: Jimmy Carter is "a far better ex-President than he was a President." Let's not forget that the Nobel laureate toasted the Shah of Iran, hugged Brezhnev, was "best friends" with Marshal Tito, identified with Ceausescu's human rights views, lauded Kim Il Sung and penned speeches for Arafat — the guy loves his dictators. Just who needs to dispense wisdom to our benighted Generation Y.

Or, wait; maybe this apathetic generation needs to hear from a soda magnate. The quondam Coke president, Donald

Keough, who donated money for Keough Hall, delights viewers with perhaps the most riotously corny "wisdom" the film offers: "We're sort of brought up in our society to believe that being vulnerable is a sign of weakness — it's a sign of strength." Someone slap that gem on an AudioBook, and pronto!

Seeing Saperston in en Kesey's old Ken International Harvester bus, it is tempting to wish that the "trip" in question were less literal and more lysergic. Come on, it's Ken Kesey. But no, Saperston does something far more heinous: using Kesey's "Are you on the bus?" motto to close a sales talk. It really is excruciating to watch this director perthe vert Merry Prankster's words with impunity. Thank God that at least the Dead escaped Saperston's corrupting directorial hand.

Photo courtesy of www.journeyfilm.ne Eric Saperston's journey, which was filled with famous faces and important people, included spending time with Jerry Garcia.

"The Journey"

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Writer: Michael Greer and Eric Saperston

It might be charitable to describe Saperston's personality as grating, overbearing and just plain cheesy. And there is a sense that he is not only conscious of the movie's inspirational aim, but certain that it will succeed and change people's lives. Put another way, Saperston exudes a smug self-importance that belies the aims of the film. Luckily for him (and

viewers), he has a crew of two to counterbalance this. Well, almost.

plete. Not only is it relentlessly pre- famous? These people are neither dictable and trite,

but it's sunny and preachy to a fault. After all, subtlety has no place in the self-help genre, which seems a better fit here than the documentary genre. Real documentaries have grit and hold on to journalistic detach-

issue at hand — assuming there are issues at hand, which is debatable in this meandering rat's nest of a documentary.

and interview "some of the most powerful people in the world" leaves viewers with a pretty one-dimensional view of the

world. A cross-country trip from Atlanta to Seattle, and all the viewer really hears In the end, "The Journey" feels incom- from are, to varying degrees, the rich and

> insightful nor appealing, but Saperston's own personal quest, which ultimately becomes coopted by the corporate machine, never larks about with the proletariat.

documentary sidesteps what it ought to aim for: documenting reality.

ment by baring various angles on the And without doing that, this wannabe-Saperston's decision to sip coffee with Contact BJ Strew at wstrew@nd.edu

Director: Eric Saperston

Producer: Eric Saperston

Editor: Michael Greer

Starring: Eric Saperston



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Photo courtesy of www.journeyfilm.ne

Saperston and two others drove around the country in their trusty bus, camping out between interviewing politicians, actors, businessmen and musicians.



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Saperston meets the Godfather of Soul, James Brown. Other musicians are also in the film, including Edwin McCain and a few of the Blowfish.

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CINEMA MANIFESTOS

'Laurel Canyon' lacks deep meaning

The movie theater is a scary place. They turn down the lights, put up the pretty pictures and for at least 90 minutes of your life you agree to go pretty much where the director wants to take

you. It's an emotional experience, and sometimes it ends up being just disappointing. With "Laurel Canyon' such disappointment turns to anger when the lights come up and you realize just how you have been manipulated.

The film on the surface is very engaging and seems to be deep and meaningful.

But, when all is said and done, it becomes apparent that the whole premise of the film is exhausted a few minutes into it, and, in reality, most of the major themes are just standard clichés on which we did not need to waste our time, money or emotions.

The film centers on Sam (Christian Bale) and his new fiancée Alex (Kate Beckinsale) who move to Los Angeles for Sam to do his residency at a psychiatric hospital and for Alex to finish her doctoral dissertation. They plan to stay at the supposedly empty Laurel Canyon home of Sam's mom, Jane (Frances McDormand), who is one of the few redeeming aspects in the film. Jane is an aging hippie record producer who still hangs out with rock stars half her age, drinks and smokes pot constantly. McDormand seems to inhabit the weathered rocker with such depth that viewers cannot help but be drawn to her character. She is the free spirit that represents everything that the uptight Sam and Alex are not. All three get stuck together because, when Alex and Sam arrive, Jane is still at the house trying to finish the overdue record of the band, fronted by her current young boy-toy, Ian (Alessandro Nivola). Once these basic introductions are



Cinema Manifestos

landscapes and its rock soundtrack, and the sexy characters mope their way from one emotional disaster to the next. But

out of the way.

really, this is just the same "uptight-academic-gets-loosenedup-by-free-spirit" trope that has been played out ad nauseam. If you insert Queen Latifah for the rock stars you

have "Bringing Down the House." If you make the film with teenagers you have "She's All That." If you make Hugh Grant the sexual predator rock star you can have "Bridget Jones' Diary Part II." Really, why do all uptight people have to come from the east coast, Ivy League schools and live at country clubs? Is no one else neurotic in this world? And, why is it that the only way to be a free spirit is to be sexually promiscuous and do lots of drugs? Why can't anyone come up with any better ideas?

But, in the cozy, dark theater, we agree to invest ourselves in this stupid rehashing, never questioning the actual ridiculousness of the set-up. We are led like lambs going in for lobotomies as Alex inevitably is drawn away from her boring thesis work into the "real" emotional world of sex, drugs and rock 'n

Sam (Christian Bale) and Alex (Kate Beckinsale) move to Los Angeles together, not knowing that

roll. We watch as her curiosity becomes sexual attraction, which leads her into a sexual triangle with the Ian and Jane. Just a reminder, Jane is the middle-aged mother of her fiancée! **Regardless** of

their uptight lives are about to be turned upside down.

the whole thing begins to smack of ridiculousness. Meanwhile, Sam gets into his wn dubious relationship with an attractive fellow resident. If Alex's wanderings relationship is just all too predictable with his infidelity borne out of one too many intimate conversations in the car outside the house after getting dropped off from work. While it seems obvious upon reflection that the film is treading old paths, it is obviously eminently convinced of its own import and manages to almost trick the audience into thinking it has a statement. It's worth examining why this is the case. It seems that this falls into the category of a number of new artistic pretenders who substitute meaning for some feigned poetic sense of chaos and meaningless. It is the artistic disease of our generation. We live with such a sense of subjectivism and

"I'm OK, you're OK" propaganda that many contemporary artists take up the vapidity behind these mantras and try to pass it off as postmodern art.

"Laurel Canyon"



Director: Lisa Cholodenko Writer: Lisa Cholodenko Starring: Frances McDormand, Christian Bale, Kate Beckinsale, Natascha McElhone

how rocking or cool she is; tend towards absurdity, Sam's

'Laurel Canyon," after trudging through the emotional paces with the captive audience, does not so much conclude as runs out of gas. It feels like they had used up all the characters and situations. So, they

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throw in a couple awkward stabs at reconciliation, an ambiguous line about not having control and a symbolic moment in the pool ripped from "The Graduate ' and tell us it's a meaning ending. Because in the end the of world, it's not about concrete messages, it's all about loosening up and seeing everything from different perspectives, right? Wrong! The problem is too many smart people have been duped into thinking that this is art. In our society, no one wants to take stands on anything concrete. So, we think our art shouldn't fall into those hard stereotypes and take a stand. Supposedly, good art won't tie itself down to anything meaningful. But, in reality, art is precisely about meaning. If you don't have anything to say or actually consider don't waste my time. Postmodernism and notions of things having multiple meanings was never meant as license for people with no real point to pass their work as important.

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Sam's mom Jane (Frances McDormand) is the polar opposite of her son. An aging record producer who still sleeps with band members, she drinks and smokes pot constantly.

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NBA

Odom leads Clippers to first victory over Blazers

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Lamar Odom had 24 points and 13 rebounds and the Los Angeles Clippers defeated Portland 107-93 Wednesday night, dropping the playoffbound Trail Blazers to sixth the Western place in Conference.

The loss means the Blazers will play Dallas in the first round.

The Clippers aren't going anywhere, although they ended another losing chapter with their first victory over Portland this season. Los Angeles won its final three games to finish 27-55. The Clippers wound up 13th among 14 Western Conference teams and last in the Pacific Division.

Andre Miller added 19 points as five Clippers scored in double figures. Elton Brand had 18 points and 11 rebounds. Keyon Dooling added 16 points and Marko Jaric had 13 points. The team shot 56 percent.

After letting Portland take a one-point lead in the third quarter, the Clippers dominated the final 12 minutes. The Blazers got no closer than four points before Los Angeles opened a double-digit lead for all of the final seven minutes.

Bonzi Wells led Portland with 19 points and Rasheed Wallace added 15 points. Scottie Pippen was held to just three points on 1-of-9 shooting.

The Blazers missed several shots that prevented them from making a serious run in the fourth. The Clippers were especially effective from 3-point range, going 9-for-13 for the game, including three longrange baskets in the fourth.

The Blazers used a 14-4 run, capped by Wells' flying dunk, midway through the third quarter to pull within one, 66-65. Wallace tied the game at 70 on a 3-pointer and a basket by former Clipper Jeff McInnis gave Portland a 72-71 lead, its first since the game's opening minute.

But the Clippers ran off six straight points, capped by Eric Piatkowski's fast-break layup, to end the third ahead 77-72.

The Clippers led by eight points in the first quarter when Portland shot 33 percent. The Blazers improved to start the second quarter, using a 9-3 run to close within one. They tied the game three times, but couldn't take the lead and trailed 52-47 at halftime.

Lakers 117, Warriors 111

Kobe Bryant scored 44 points as the Los Angeles Lakers earned the fifth seed in the Western Conference.

Shaquille O'Neal recorded his 46th double-double of the season with 27 points and 12 rebounds for the Lakers, who will face fourth-seeded Minnesota in the first round of the playoffs. The Lakers have won 11 of their last 13.

Gilbert Arenas scored 33 points for the Warriors. Mike Dunleavy added a career-high 21 points and Jason Richardson finished with 19. Antawn Jamison had 15 points and 10 rebounds.

Sonics 84, Suns 70

Ray Allen scored 19 as the Seattle SuperSonics topped the Phoenix Suns.

The Suns, looking ahead to the postseason, rested most of their starting lineup for a second straight night. Only Amare Stoudamire saw significant playing time, finishing with 16 points and nine rebounds. Joe Johnson led Phoenix with 21 points.

Allen, who had scored more than 30 in three of the previous four games, made 7-of-17 from the field. Brent Barry scored 14, Vladimir Radmanovic had 12 and Calvin Booth added 10 for the Sonics.

Kings 95, Jazz 84

Chris Webber scored 15 points, and Bobby Jackson had nine points in the fourth quarter as the Sacramento Kings beat the Utah Jazz in a low-key preview of their upcoming playoff.

The Jazz and the Kings will begin their third playoff series in five years this weekend in Sacramento. Both teams played the regular-season finale conservatively, with reserves getting ample minutes into the tight fourth quarter.

The game was meaningless by halftime, when Dallas' victory over San Antonio cost Sacramento any chance at home-court advantage in a potential second-round meeting with the Mavericks.

Karl Malone, the NBA's second-leading career scorer, had eight points in what might have been his final regular-season game with Utah. Malone has openly campaigned to join a Western Conference contender next season.

Timberwolves 95, Grizzlies 87

The Minnesota Timberwolves clinched home-court advantage in the opening round of the playoffs for the first time in their history with a victory over Memphis.

Kevin Garnett had 19 points, 16 rebounds and eight assists to lead Minnesota, which ended the season 51-31 to take the No. 4 spot in the Western Conference.

Minnesota has never made it to the second round of the playoffs, getting eliminated six straight times. Garnett capped a sensational regular season with his league-leading 63rd double-double.

Memphis was led by Stromile Swift and Pau Gasol with 18 points each.

Mavericks 93, Spurs 72

Dirk Nowitzki scored 25 points to lead Dallas past San Antonio, giving the Mavericks their first 60-win season.

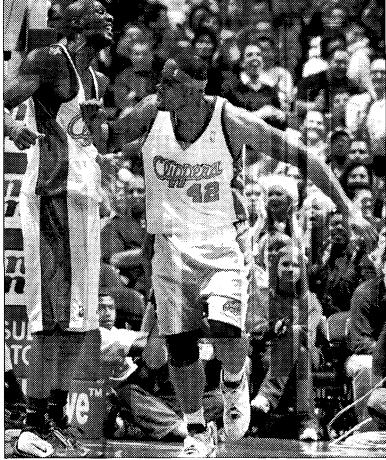
The victory ensured that Dallas, the No. 3 seed in the Western Conference, will have a home-court advantage if it reaches the second round of the playoffs.

The Spurs clinched the top seed in the conference on Monday and played without starters Tim Duncan and Stephen Jackson, who were placed on the injured list Wednesday.

Steve Smith, starting in place of Jackson, led San Antonio with 11 points.

Rockets 89, Nuggets 84

Steve Francis had 17 points and nine assists, and Yao Ming had 13 points and 16 rebounds



Los Angeles forwards Lamar Odom and Elton Brand celebrate in their victory over the Trail Blazers on Wednesday night.

as the Houston Rockets beat the Denver Nuggets.

Houston won three straight and five of seven to close out the season but missed the playoffs for the fourth straight year.

Denver lost eight straight and 14 of 17 to end its eighth consecutive losing season. The Nuggets tied Cleveland for the worst record in the NBA and will have an equal shot with the Cavaliers at the top pick in this year's draft.

Both teams will have 225 pingpong balls in the May 22 lottery, with the winner expected to take Ohio high school phenom LeBron James.

Pacers 90, Nets 83

Al Harrington raised his arms in apparent celebration, his eves fixed on the rim waiting for Ron Artest's jumper to swish through for a milestone moment

Instead, the ball clanked off the rim and Harrington ended

one assist shy of his first tripledouble

Harrington had 17 points and 12 rebounds and Jermaine O'Neal added 26 points and 10 rebounds, as the Indiana Pacers secured third place in the Eastern Conference with a 90-83 win over the New Jersey Nets on Wednesday night.

Jamaal Tinsley had 10 points and 12 assists, Artest added 16 points and Reggie Miller 14 for the Pacers (48-34).

The Nets clinched the Atlantic Division on Tuesday and rested their starters for most of the game. Jason Kidd and Kenyon Martin each scored 11 points in 21 minutes. Neither Kidd, Martin, Jason Collins nor Kerry Kittles played in the second and fourth quarters.

Anthony Johnson led the Nets with 16 points and Aaron Williams added 14.

New Jersey's reserves gave the Pacers fits for most of the game.



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scandalous (like the cake)

Mighty Ducks sweep Red Wings

Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif.

Steve Rucchin's goal at 6:53 of overtime gave the Anaheim Mighty Ducks a 3-2 victory Wednesday night for a fourgame sweep of the Stanley Cup champion Detroit Red Wings.

Jean-Seastien Giguere made 32 saves in the stunning sweep of the opening-round Western Conference series.

The Red Wings, Stanley Cup champions three of the past six years, became just the second defending Cup winner to be swept the following season in a four-game opening series.

In 1952, Detroit upset the 1951 champion Toronto Maple Leafs and went on to win the Cup.

Rucchin scored his first goal of the series with a one-timer from 10 feet after defenseman Keith Carney centered the puck from behind the net.

Jason Krog and Paul Kariya scored the other goals for the Ducks, who had been swept out of the playoffs by Detroit in their only two previous trips to the postseason.

Giguere gave up a game-tying goal to Sergei Fedorov with 2:15 left in regulation, and an earlier score to Henrik Zetterberg on a two-man breakaway at 13:23 of the first period.

Krog had scored with 15:25 left in the third period to give Anaheim a 2-1 lead.

Giguere stopped 165 of 171 shots in the four games, with the

Ducks winning each time by one goal. He had a 1.24 goals-against average.

The goals were the second of the series for both Krog and Kariya. Grog scored the gametying goal late in the Ducks' 3-2 win in Game 2. Kariya had the game-winner in Anaheim's 2-1, triple-overtime victory in the opening game.

Flyers 3, Maple Leafs 2 (30T)

The Philadelphia Flyers needed three overtimes to put a winner past Ed Belfour.

Mark Recchi scored his second goal of the game with 6:06 remaining in the third overtime period to give the Flyers a seriesevening 3-2 victory Wednesday night over the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Belfour made 72 saves before Recchi's wrist shot from the faceoff circle hit the goalie's stick and barely trickled over the goal line as the Flyers evened the best-of-seven Eastern Conference playoff series a 2-2. Game 5 is Saturday night in Philadelphia.

"Eddie Belfour battled tremendously hard. He was great tonight," Recchi said. "I was just trying to get it on net."

Jeremy Roenick also scored for the Flyers.

"That was two hockey games," Roenick said. "Eddie was awesome. Eddie gave that team a chance to win the hockey game. They almost did, but we were very fortunate."

Travis Green and Mats Sundin scored for the Leafs, who were without leading scorer Alexander Mogilny. Clipped under the jaw by a stick two nights earlier, Mogilny was advised by team doctors to sit one out. He'll be re-examined Thursday.

The Flyers outshot the Leafs 75-38, setting a Philadelphia playoff record for most shots on goal. Belfour's total saves was one short of the playoff record New York's Kelly Hrudey set when the Islanders beat Washington in four overtimes in 1987.

"The shots seem to be an incredible number," Toronto coach Pat Quinn said. "Eddie's a trooper. He put us in a position to win but we didn't do it."

Toronto, which beat Philly in double overtime on Monday night, played its third-longest game in franchise history and longest since 1943.

It was the second-longest game in Flyers history.

"This was a must win for us," Philadelphia captain Keith Primeau said. "We're even instead of going home down 3-1."

Philadelphia won despite going 0-for-8 on the power play, falling to 2-for-21 in the series.

Michal Handzus almost won it for the Flyers in the first overtime, but his shot rolled over Belfour's pads and through the goal crease.

Philadelphia goalie Roman Cechmanek made 36 saves.

He robbed Darcy Tucker in the second overtime with a kick save.

Jordan ends career with loss to Sixers

Associated Press

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Michael Jordan sat on the bench, smiling and joking with teammates as the sellout crowd chanted, "We want Mike! We want Mike!"

Though he didn't want to go back in, Jordan wouldn't disappoint the fans in the final game of his NBA career.

Jordan pulled off his warmups, received yet another lengthy ovation, went back on the court, and was purposely fouled by Eric Snow. Fittingly, Jordan made his final two shots — both free throws.

One of the greatest players in NBA history, Jordan then exited for good with 1:44 remaining in the fourth quarter of Washington's 107-87 loss to Philadelphia on Wednesday night.

Another standing ovation followed, this one including the coaches and other players. Jordan flashed his familiar wide smile, waved to the crowd and took a seat on the bench one last time.

"It's time to move on," Jordan said. "It's easier to accept that because physically I know it and feel it."

Jordan finished with 15 points, four rebounds and

four assists in 28 minutes drawing several adoring ovations from a Philly crowd notorious for its boorish behavior.

The fans did boo, but only when they thought Jordan wasn't coming back into the game. He went to the bench with 4:13 left in third quarter, and didn't return until 2:35 remained in the game.

With the Sixers ahead by 21 points and 9 1/2 minutes left, the chants of "We want Mike!" started. The chant grew louder as the period progressed with Jordan remaining seated, and fans ignored the game to stand and stare at the Wizards' bench, wondering why Jordan wasn't playing.

"The game didn't merit me going back in," Jordan said. "Obviously, they wanted to see me make a couple of baskets. That was very, very respectful."

While the fans implored Jordan to return, Wizards coach Doug Collins pleaded with him.

"He really didn't want to, but I said, 'Michael, please, you got to go out there,'" Collins said.

Jordan's final points almost looked scripted, with Snow fouling him in the backcourt for no apparent reason except to send him to the line.

DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS Fall 2003 Courses

4371 CLAS 121 Ancient Greece and Rome (Mazurek)

An introduction to the major historical and cultural periods of ancient Greek and Roman civilization through close reading of texts central to the Classical Greek and Latin literary traditions. Topics to be considered include: concepts of the divine; heroism and virtue; concepts of gender; democracy, empire, and civic identity. The course aims to deepen students' appreciation for the Classical roots of their own social, intellectual, and religious lives.

5024 CLAS 300 Greek Literature and Culture (McLaren)

This course offers a survey (in translation) of some of the canonical works of ancient Greek literature in conjunction with a detailed examination of the cultural contexts within which they were produced, received and transmitted. Primary readings will cover a variety of genres in both poetry and prose, and will range in date from the archaic to the imperial periods, a span of roughly one thousand years. Among those authors addressed will be Homer, Sappho, Aeschylus, Herodotus, Aristophanes, Plato, Theocritus, Plutarch, Lucian and Longus.

5030 CLAS 304 Age of Augustus (Krostenko)

By ruthlessness in war and sagacity in peace, Julius Caesar's adopted son Octavian rose to the

5059 CLAS 358 Words and/of Power: The Theory and Practice of Persuasive Speech in Greece and Rome (Krostenko)

The art of persuading one's fellow citizens occupied a prominent place both in Athenian democracy and in the Roman Republic. In both states the importance of rhetoric excited attempts to theorize it that met with both acceptance and scorn, and in both states rhetoric continued to be practiced and theorized when the democratic and republican forms of government underwent radical transformations. In this course we will examine the theory and practice of ancient rhetoric and its relation to its social and political context. We will examine, in pairs, actual speeches and contemporary or near-contemporary theoretical disquisitions beginning with the period of the Greek sophists and ending with that of Augustine. Our objectives will be to determine what visions of the self and of society are implied by different rhetorical theories and practices; and to appreciate how the discontinuities between theory and practice illuminate the discontinuities of those visions.

0107 CLAS 371 Gods, Heroes, Mysteries and Magic: Religion in the Ancient Greek World (Wood)

Contrary to popular belief, the ancient Greeks were a strange bunch. Their statues were not really pristine white marble; their beliefs were hardly consistently rational. With this mindset as our

summit of power in the Roman world, creating an Empire where there had been a Republic and inaugurating a form of government that would last, in many essentials, almost half a millennium. The purpose of this course is to consider the historical events, cultural productions, social and political issues, and legacy of the age of Augustus. Topics to be considered will include: the fall of the Republic; the Augustan architectural and literary program; artistic freedom under an autocracy; and the nature of empire. Readings will be taken from Cicero, Vergil, Livy, Horace, Ovid, Tibullus, Propertius, and Suctonius.

5034 CLAS 306 Roman History (Mazurek)

This course introduces students to ancient Roman history by tracing the development of Roman civilization through the major political, religious and social institutions of the Roman Republic and Empire. Major topics of study will include: Rome's conquests in Europe and the Mediterranean; the careers of Julius Caesar and the Emperor Augustus; Rome's treatment of foreign peoples and institutions (e.g. early Christianity).

5054 CLAS 335 History of Ancient Medicine (Ladouceur)

This course will trace the development of ancient medicine from the Neolithic period down to the second century after Christ. The emphasis will be on three cultures, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman. How historians use the three main categories of evidence [written documents, human remains and artistic representations] will be clearly illustrated.

starting point, in this course we will examine some literary (epic, hymns, tragedy, comedy), archaeological (temples, sanctuaries), and material (vase paintings, coins, votives, curse tablets) remains of the ancient Greek world to develop a picture of its varied and unique religious beliefs and practices. In addition to this historical perspective, this course will also take an anthropological and cultural approach to the study of Greek religion. We will consider anthropological definitions of religion and read comparative material from other cultures. Finally, in articulating Greek religious beliefs and practices, we will further consider how these institutions intersected with politics, gender and class within and among Greek city-states, focusing on ancient Athens for which we have the most thorough documentation.

5039 CLAS 415 Romans & Christians (Bradley)

This course will examine the early development of the Christian religion in its historical Roman context. It will begin with a survey of the political, social, and administrative structures of the Roman Empire in the period from Augustus to Constantine, move to a study of the complexity and diversity of Roman religious life and culture (with special attention to Mystery Cults, e.g. that of Isis), and then examine the development of the Jesus movement and Rome's reaction to it. Particular topics to be studied will include miracle-working and the practice of magic, the problem of the historical Jesus, the sectarian and subversive character of early Christianity, the issue of how persecution and martyrdom are to be historically understood, and the meaning of religious conversion in the polytheistic Roman world. Above all, the course will concentrate on the questions of how and why in historical terms a new religious system came to have such appeal that Constantine chose to make himself the first Christian empero of Rome.

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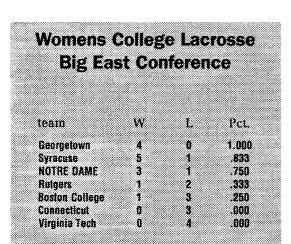
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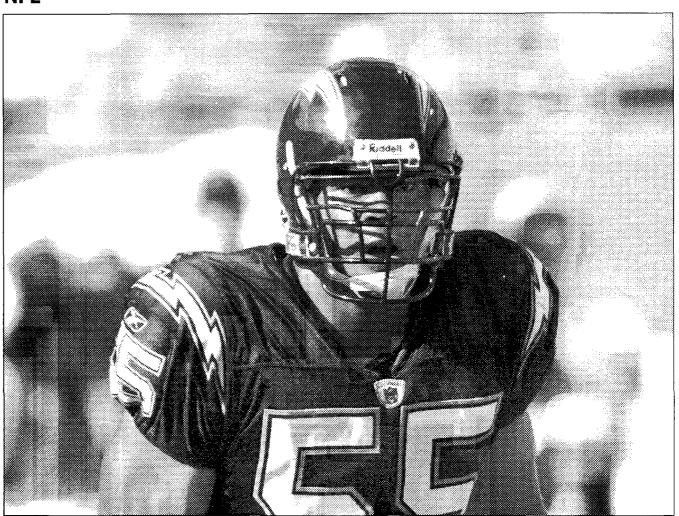
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NFL



Former San Diego Chargers linebacker Junior Seau scans the field in a game against his new team, the Miami Dolphins Nov. 24 in Miami.

Seau gets a fresh start with Dolphins

Associated Press

DAVIE, Fla. Linebacker Junior Seau joined the Miami Dolphins after passing a physical, completing a long-anticipated trade with the San Diego Chargers

The Dolphins sent a conditional 2004 draft choice to San Diego in return for Seau, a 12-time Pro Bowl selection.

"The truth is Junior Seau needed the Miami Dolphins more than the Miami Dolphins needed Junior Seau," Seau said. "This organization is doing everything possible to commit itself to winning a ring.'

Dolphins coach Dave Wannstedt lauded Seau's passion, talent and professionalism as he introduced the new linebacker at a news conference .

"It's a great day for the Dolphins, a very positive day for the Miami Dolphins," Wannstedt said. Seau flew from California to Miami on Tuesday after agreeing to a restructuring of his contract, which runs through 2005. The contract maneuvering addressed a \$2.7 million bonus Seau was due to receive Tuesday from the Chargers.

The Chargers last month gave the 34-year-old Seau permission to seek a trade.

Seau opened his remarks by paying tribute to former Chargers general manager John Butler, who died last week of lung cancer, and thanking the city of San Diego.

"I want them to know I wish them well, until Oct. 27," Seau said, referring to the date when San Diego will play host to Miami in a Monday night game.

Seau has spent his entire 13-year career with the Chargers, his hometown team. In Miami, he's expected to replace Derrick Rodgers at outside linebacker.

The trade, which had been in the works for several weeks, is the first major deal for the Dolphins since a dismal December collapse. The team had seven Pro Bowl players, including NFL rushing leader Ricky Williams and sack leader Jason Taylor, and still failed for the first time in six years to make the playoffs.

NFL Photos

Seau hasn't led the Chargers in tackles since 1999, and he started a career-low 13 games last season because of an ankle injury that required postseason surgery. But he was attractive to the Dolphins because they're in the market for better veteran leadership following a succession of late-season failures.

around the dial

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Gardner named top player 6 feet or shorter

Arizona point guard and former Indiana Mr. Basketball Jason Gardner has been honored as the top mens college player 6 feet and under.

Gardner won the Frances Pomeroy Naismith Award, which is named for basketball inventor James Naismith's daughter-in-law and presented by the Basketball Hall of Fame.

The 5-foot-10 Gardner scored 1,984 points during his four-year career at Arizona, third in school history. The native of Indianapolis averaged 4.6 assists while starting 135 of 136 games.

Gardner, who played at Indianapolis North Central, was Mr. Basketball in 1999.

Nets put Mutombo on injured list

New Jersey center Dikembe Mutombo was placed on the injured . Indianapolis 500.

list on Wednesday just two days after missing the Nets' regular-season home finale for personal reasons.

The Nets said Mutombo had a sore right wrist. He tore ligaments in the wrist around Thanksgiving and missed 56 games before returning to action last month.

Mutombo can be placed on the Nets' postseason roster and be eligible for the playoffs which start this weekend.

The Nets have not elaborated on Mutombo's personal problems.

Guard Brandon Armstrong was activated from the injured list and was with the team for the regularseason finale at Indiana.

Kanaan released from hospital after arm surgery

Tony Kanaan was released from the hospital Wednesday after surgery on his broken left arm and could be back behind the wheel of his race car during the first week of practice for the

Kanaan was injured in a crash with Scott Dixon during the IRL's Indy Japan 300 on Sunday.

A two-hour, 35-minute operation Tuesday night "went exceptionally well," surgeon Terry Trammell said. "He is feeling better and better." Indy 500 practice begins May 4.

Kanaan is wearing a cast with padding and next week will have a brace put on the arm for a test drive in a go-kart, Andretti Green Racing spokeswoman Carol Wilkins said.

"The best-case scenario is for him to be in a race car in three weeks, and that's based on a couple of ifs: If he can tolerate the pain, if he can tolerate the brace when driving the gokart," Wilkins said.

A three-week recuperation would mean the earliest Kanaan could begin practicing for the Indy 500 is on May 7, just three days before the start of qualifications. The three days of time trials, on May 10-11 and May 18, will determine the 33-car starting lineup for the race on May 25. **TRACK AND FIELD**

SMC SOFTBALL

Belles postpone game due to forecast

By PAT LEONARD Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's softball team would like to get back to their winning ways of the early season.

It would help if they could get a game in.

The Belles (14-10-1, 4-4 MIAA) were scheduled to play Calvin College Tuesday.

Calvin (14-9, 3-3 MIAA), the visiting team, decided to postpone Tuesday's game due to forecasted rain. The game was scheduled for 3:30 p.m. at Saint Mary's.

The game marks the fourth cancellation in the past six games for coach Anna

Now, the Belles hope to play and win a doubleheader tomorrow against St. Mary's of the Woods.

However, the Belles need clear weather to play and need consistent hitting and solid fielding to win. While the team has excelled in various aspects of the game in separate games, the Belles have not been able to put together an all-around quality performance in the last six games.

Welsh says her team needs to turn the season around right away before the playoffs become out of reach.

Due to the recent cancellations, Saint Mary's will play a busy schedule next week. The Belles will meet Marian College on Tuesday, Calvin on April 23 and University of St. Francis on Friday, April 25.

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Irish travel separate ways

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN Sports Writer

After finally getting to run together last weekend, the Notre Dame men's and women's track team will split up once again.

Most of the runners will take a short trip to Indianapolis, but for the rest of the Irish sunny Walnut, Calif. awaits, with the Mt. San Antonio College Relays this weekend.

While the nucleus of the Irish travels to California, the majority will compete in the Indy Invitational in Indianapolis on Saturday.

Walnut's Mt. SAC Relays has been one of the premier meets during the outdoor season. It is well known worldwide as it attracts athletes from top universities, independent organizations, and around the world.

The Relays, in their 45th year, will take place in Hilmer Lodge Stadium, which features a state-ofthe-art track and field facility. The meet will feature only the best; in order to compete, an athlete must meet qualifying standards for their event.

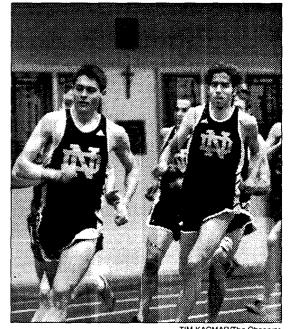
On the women's side, Jennifer Handley and Molly Huddle look to make some noise in the 5,000-meter run. Handley is seeded 13th, with a time of 16:28.55, while Huddle is seeded 17th in another bracket. Lauren King is the last distance runner for the women and will compete in the 1,500 meters, an event in which she took fifth last year.

In the field, Jaime Volkmer is seeded eighth with a distance of 13-5 1/4 in the pole vault. Volkmer, who took seventh at the Mt. SAC Relays last year, also holds the school record in the pole vault.

Stacey Cowan and Emily Loomis will compete in the high jump for the Irish. Cowan is seeded eighth (5-9 3/4), and Loomis is seeded 13th (5-10 1/2)

Meanwhile, Tricia Floyd will compete in the 100-meter dash, as she is seeded sixth in Section 3 with a time of 11.68 seconds. This event will also see Ayesha Boyd, who is seeded eighth, in Section 5 (11.61 seconds). Boyd looks to defend her title from last year's meet, as she won the 100 meters in 2002.

Rounding out the sprints, Boyd (sixth seed, 22.3 seconds) and Kymia Love (eighth seed, 23.68 seconds), will compete in Section 2 of the 200-meter



Eric Morrison leads the way for the Irish in an indoor meet earlier this season.

dash for the Irish.

The women also look to do some damage with their 4x100 meter relay team, seeded second in 44.30 seconds and the 4x400 meter relay team, seeded sixth. Last year, these relays placed second and fourth, respectively.

On the men's side, the Irish hope to get strong performances from Tim Moore and Indoor All-American Luke Watson in distance. Moore is seeded seventh in the 10,000 meters (29:40.23), while Watson is seeded 17th in the 5,000 meters (13:38.62).

Selim Nurudeen looks to build on his success from last weekend, as he competes in the 110 meter hurdles, seeded fourth in section 3 (13.84).

Roberto Garcia will compete in the 400-meter hurdles, as he is seeded eighth in section 1 with a time of 51.97.

The Irish compete Thursday through Saturday in Walnut, Calif. The Indy Relays start at 10 a.m. Saturday morning.

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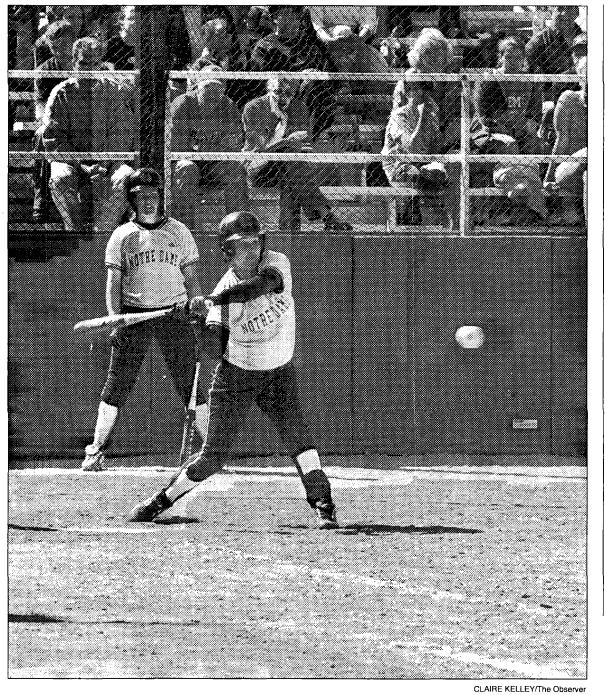
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Sophomore Liz Hartmann takes a cut at a pitch during last week's set against Seton Hall. The Irish will take on the Mastodons in a doubleheader today at Ivy Field.

STUDENT NEEDS

Softball

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Heather Booth's 6-0 record and 0.37 ERA in her last six appearances.

"I think that is why we are winning ballgames, because we are getting consistent production," Gumpf said. "Defensively, Alexis Madrid and Andrea Loman have been phenomenal. Offensively, we are becoming a consistent one through nine hitting team. Heather Booth as really come into her own in seeing the college game."

The Mastodons are 14-15 on the season, having won four in a row and five of their last seven. Catcher Crystal Fisher leads the Mastodon offense with a .393 batting average, four home runs and 18 RBI. IUPU-Fort Wayne's pitching staff is a weak spot with a team ERA of 4.60, compared to Notre Dame's 2.56. Today's doubleheader is set to begin at 4 p.m. at Ivy Field.





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Ryan

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we're disappointed, but we're still confident and have an incredible chance to win conference.

Upon graduation, Ryan will attend graduate school for a master's in English. Her future plans include possibly getting a Ph.D and becoming a professor of English. As for her tennis career at Saint Mary's, she considers the relationships she has formed to be the most important.

"We spend so much time traveling — in the van and on spring break — that we get so close," Ryan said. "We're like a family. We don't always get along, but I wouldn't trade it for anything, we have so much fun."

"She's the spirit of the team," said Stevenson. "She's free-spirited and livens up the atmosphere of the team. But she takes her tennis and her studies very seriously.'

Ryan has been on the Dean's List at Saint Mary's several times and was named the team's Most Dedicated Player for the 2002 season, as well as serving as a co-captain. This season, she holds a 10-1 record at No. 5 singles and an 8-4 record with Cutler at No. 2 doubles.

"It's been a different season for us," said Ryan. "I want to win for the team and our coach. But if we don't get first, no one will think the season was a disappointment. My freshman year we were third in the MIAA, and we were happier than the teams that were first and second because we had more fun together."

In addition to her teammates, Ryan cites her relationship with Stevenson as a part of what has made her experience on the Saint Mary's team special.

"Our coach gives us so much more than technical instruction," said Ryan. "He's like a grandfather to me and he is such a gentleman. For Valentine's Day for the past four years he has bought a rose for everybody. We see other teams and their coaches, and he has a politeness that is wonderful to see with a group of girls."

Despite the recent defeats and her nagging injury, Ryan remains committed to the team and relies on her love for tennis to get her through the rough days.

"Tennis is a high priority for me," Ryan said. "We all take the time out of our day and out of our social lives to do what we're doing. We all like to go to tennis, the tennis part is wonderful and that's obviously why we're there, but there is so much more to it.'

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BASEBALL

Panthers, Pirates, rain await Irish over break

By BRYAN KRONK Senior Staff Writer

A winning streak must always start at one.

Unfortunately for the Irish baseball team, they'll have to potentially dodge quite a few raindrops to get there.

With the forecast calling for quite a few April showers, this weekend's matches against Big East foes Pittsburgh and Seton Hall at Eck Stadium Thursday and Saturday, respectively, may wind up being a wet way for the Irish to spend a holiday weekend in the dugout.

However, should the weather hold out for the weekend, the Panthers and Pirates present a pair of potential problems for the Irish.

Pittsburgh currently stands at 26-11 overall (7-6 in the Big East), representing by far the team with the best record that the Irish have faced in a long time, while Seton Hall (12-16, 5-7) has won three of its last five games, including knocking off Big East powers Connecticut and Rutgers.

In a wide-open Big East this year, anything is possible in terms of any team being able to beat any other team on a given day. For example, the Irish, who are currently 7-1 in the conference, suffered their only con-

ference loss of the year to date at Villanova, which sports a 2-10 conference record, good for the next to last spot.

However, contrast that with Notre Dame's more recent sensational sweep of St. John's, which is tied for third place in the Big East with a 7-3 record. Given that the Panthers and Pirates are both situated between the Red Storm and Wildcats, anything can happen in a highly-competitive Big East conference.

Heading into the week, Notre Dame and Pittsburgh each owned a .315 team batting average, while Seton Hall sits at .262.

The Panthers and Pirates sit at fourth and fifth in the conference in pitching, with 4.17 and 5.20 ERAs, well below the Irish, who have team average of 3.54. Pittsburgh's Bryan Spamer leads the team — and is seventh in the Big East — with a .391 batting average as of Monday.

Matt Edwards and Steve Sollmann sat at ninth and 10th, respectively, with .383 and .380 averages.

However, whenever Big East teams bash heads, it helps to expect the unexpected.

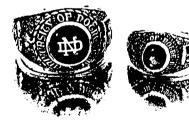
Even a pair of rainouts.

Contact Bryan Kronk at bkronk@nd.edu SOFIA BALLON/The Observer Javi Sanchez takes a swing during Tuesday's Irish loss to Eastern Michigan. The Irish hope to get back on the winning track this weekend, weather permitting.

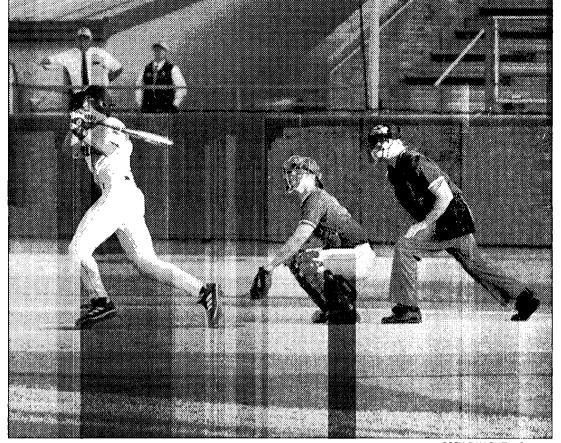
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Notre Dame proves to be the best choice for Lunke

Lunke looks to lead Irish to Big **East Championship**

By ERIK POWERS Sports Writer

Senior captain Brandon Lunke plays in his final Big East Championship this weekend when second-seeded Notre Dame

hosts Georgetown, St. John's, Rutgers Seton Hall and topseeded Virginia Tech at the Warren Golf Course. A tournament



victory would clinch a berth for the Irish in the NCAA Championships.

A Big East Championship would be a fitting end to Lunke's long and successful career.

"I began golfing at the age of three or four," Lunke said. "I would play at night with my dad and older brother. I started playing competitively at the age of eight. I was in summer tournaments at the age of 10."

Since then, golf has remained a game that Lunke excels at. During each of his four years in high school, Lunke was a member of the varsity golf team, selected as an all-city golfer in his hometown of San Antonio, and reached the state tournament. Lunke also played on fifthplace team at the AJCA Justin Leonard Team Challenge. He shot a 64 in the first-round best ball, contributing to his team's first-round lead. As a reward, he and his team earned chance to play with Leonard.

Texas, as well as several outof-state universities, recruited Lunke during his senior year. He chose Notre Dame for both athletic and social reasons

"When I took my visit, I liked the place and people," Lunke said. "I wanted to get out of Texas, to make a fresh start in life. The team was in a rebuilding stage, and I thought that I could make a contribution.'

Lunke wanted to contribute to the team immediately, but his playing time was limited as a freshman. George Thomas, men's golf coach during Lunke's freshman and sophomore sea-

sons, allowed Lunke to compete in only one tournament. Lunke excelled at that tournament, finishing in a tie for 14th at the Treasure Coast Classic. But he still could not crack Thomas's top five. "It was a little frustrating,"

Lunke said. "I felt that I could do well if given a chance. But Coach Thomas decided to use older, more experienced players.'

Lunke earned a place in Thomas's lineup the next year. As a sophomore, Lunke finished second among Irish golfers (39th overall) at the Legends of Indiana tournament, 61st overall at the Minnesota Invitational, tied for 23rd overall at the Wisconsin Invitational, and took 27th overall at the Big East Championship. The Irish changed coaches for

his junior season, hiring current coach John Jaskinski. Lunke's sees a big difference between Thomas and Jasinski.

"Coach Thomas was a great guy. He knew a lot about the game," Lunke said. "[But] we wanted to become a top team in the country. Coach Jasinski was exactly what the team needed. He's a really good person."

Jasinski decided that the Irish needed Lunke as well, and the junior played in nine of 12 tournaments. Lunke was at his best when he tied for 21st at the Tillinghast Invitational, tied for 29th at the Johnny Owens Invitational and tied for third at Michigan's Wolverine Invitational.

This past fall, Lunke established himself as the team's senior leader. Lunke has participated in

selecting him team captain.

Lunke understands that his

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team] up with emotion, but

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Lunke said. "It's important that I

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> **Brandon Lunke** golf captain

> > we feel good with one another." Lunke's period as a captain has given him time to reflect on

Helping the team's six fresh-

men, four of whom usually

accompany Lunke on away tour-

naments, is a full-time task. But

Lunke enjoys the responsibility

and is comfortable with being

surrounded by the team's youth

group of guys. It's been fun to

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his own maturity. Both he and his game have changed during his time in college. "I'm a pretty good ball-striker. I've always hit big, but in college

everyone else is getting longer and longer [with their strokes], Lunke said. "My game has matured. I've learned a lot about my swing and myself. I feel that I've gotten better.'

After the golf season is over, the future is an open fairway for Lunke. Lunke is a finance and history double major. But he might not enter the business world directly after graduation.

"I might take a little time off in order to work on my game,' Lunke said. "I might play golf for a while and give [a professional career] a shot. This is the time that I can do it."

With the season almost over and graduation looming on the horizon, Lunke cannot believe that his time at Notre Dame is almost gone. He has mixed feelings over the end of his career.

"It's amazing how fast it goes," Lunke said. "It's been happy at times, I've been upset with it at other times. Golf is interesting. It's not a team game, but in college it's a team sport.'

Big The 24th East Championship runs from April 21st to 22nd at the Warren Golf course. The Irish begin the first 36 holes of the 54-hole tournament Monday at 8:50 a.m.

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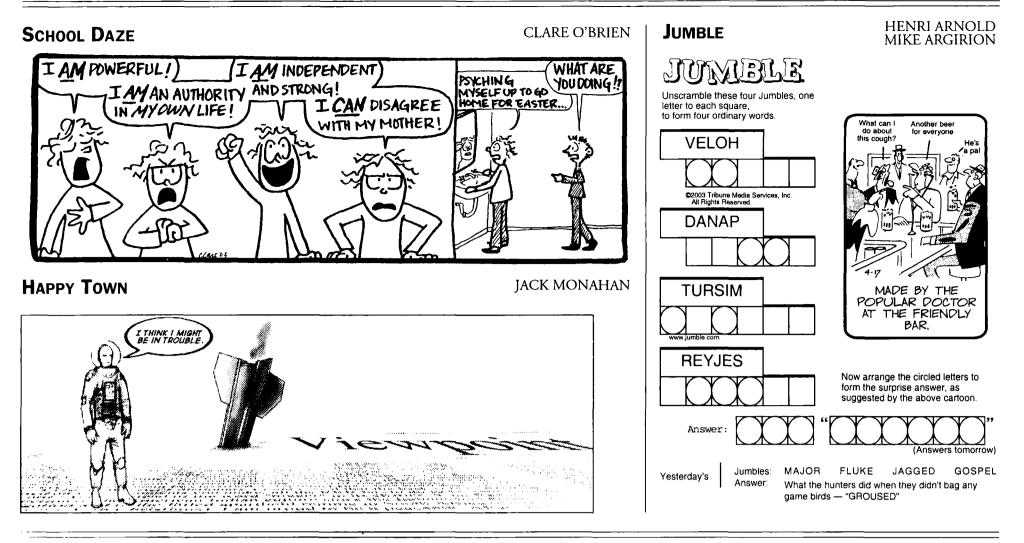


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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Prepare to take on more responsibilities than you have time for. It's a good thing that you are speedy and can think standing up. Remember the early bird catches the worm. $\star \star \star$

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You must not allow anyone to manipulate you. Your frustration will lead to a disastrous argument. Don't make a hasty decision that will affect your personal life. $\star\star$

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A quiet, restful day will help get you back on track. Stop putting off the things that are good for you. You need to take better care of yourself. **

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It's all about you and your personal goals today. Start by reassessing yourself and consider changes that will make you feel better both physically and mentally. Social activity will lead to some interesting connections. $\star \star \star \star \star$

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't neglect your family today. If you ignore the ones who love you, expect to face discord. Do what's best for everyone involved. ** VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can gain support if you get together with friends. Try to be objective regardless of the situation. You can learn a lot by observing. ★★★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may be tempted to overspend today. Don't get involved in joint financial ventures. Check over your personal papers for possible changes. ★★★

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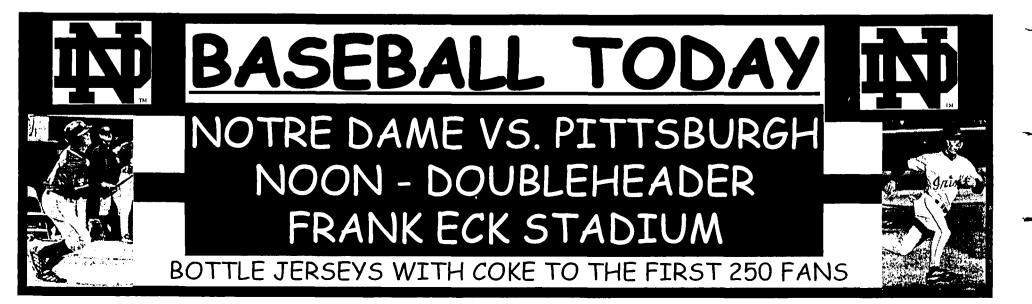
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SOFTBALL

Irish look to continue April success over weekend

By MATT LOZAR Associate Sports Editor

The month of April has always been nice to the Irish, but for the third straight year, it has been really nice.

Having won 12 straight games in April, Notre Dame looks to extend that streak today, hosting IUPU-Fort Wayne in a non-conference doubleheader.

The Irish have won 76 percent of their games alltime in April. In 2001, the Irish compiled a perfect 23-0 record while last year the Irish went 24-1. According to Notre Dame coach Deanna Gumpf, the reasons for the success in April aren't too surprising.

"It has been a good month in the past and so far so good this year," Gumpf said. "We have had a month and a half of games already, get to play at home and can play games consistently. In April we get some momentum.'

Prior to April, the Irish started the year with one of the country's most challenging schedules. For the second straight year, the Irish played the defending national champion in the month of February. During the first five weeks of the season, the Irish played five ranked teams. The rigorous schedule allows the Irish to see where they rank against the best in the country and leads to their impressive April records.

"It helps tremendously. Everyone has their own opinion, but I think we get prepared for the rest of our year," Gumpf said. "Once we play the toughest teams in the country, we know what it takes to beat them.

The formula during the current 12-game winning streak has been simple — receiving steady output from each of the three aspects of the game.

On offense, shortstop Andria Bledsoe is the hottest of the Irish hitters with a .395 average, two home runs, 14 RBIs and three stolen bases over the past 12 games. Five other Notre Dame hitters join Bledsoe with an average of .300 or above during the winning streak.

With the bats producing more than enough runs, the Irish pitching staff hasn't needed all of them. The staff has allowed 11 earned runs over the past 12 games, led by Big East co-Pitcher of the Week

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Megan Ciolli slides into second base during a game against St. John's April 11. The Irish will look to continue their success in April when they take on IUPU-Fort Wayne today.

SMC TENNIS

Ryan sacrifices personal success for her team

By LISA REIJULA Sports Writer

It may sound clichéd, but there are

nis," said Ryan. "My friend Charlie and I would play everyday on the clay courts in St. Paul.'

Enrolling at Saint Mary's in the fall of 1999, Ryan also played basketball her and No. 2 doubles. She is playing at freshman year. In addition to the athletic opportunities Saint Mary's offered, she picked the school because it was relatively close to home and had a highlyregarded Rome program. "I knew I would be able to get playing time on the tennis team, as opposed to being a practice player at a Division I or II school," said Rvan. "I immediately felt comfortable with everyone and the coach."

MIAA conference titles at both No. 6 singles and No. 3 doubles. The next year, as a junior, she again won two conference championships, this time at No. 5 singles dominant hand.

"This has been a physically painful season," said Ryan. "My doubles partner [junior co-captain Kaitlin Cutler] and I have had a lot of injuries, but we love it so much that we get through it. She's gutted it out for me this season because I'm a senior." The Belles have lost two conference matches this season after not dropping a single contest the past two years. The Belles have relied on Ryan's leadership to stay confident.

some athletes who play not for individual glory or a perfect record, but because of their love for the game and their teammates.

Saint Mary's senior co-captain Elisa Ryan is one of those athletes.

Ryan, a native of St. Paul, Minn., has spent four seasons playing for the Saint Mary's tennis team. She grew up playing tennis with her father, who played for the Army.

"My dad was sort of a coach for me, and my childhood was spent playing ten-

After deciding to concentrate solely on tennis her sophomore year, Ryan won those same spots this season as well.

"She hates to lose," said Saint Mary's coach Dee Stevenson. "She's very tenacious and never gives up."

Proof of Ryan's determination was her three-set comeback victory in the Belles' match against Hope College on April 15. After dropping the first set, Ryan overcame two match points to take the second set and stay alive in the match.

Comebacks are nothing new for Rvan, a right-hander who underwent her third wrist surgery this September, on her

"The win is really not what it's about, but it's the effort that we all put into it,' she said. "We're not used to losing and

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