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Students attend March for Life in Washington

By MATT BRAMANTI News Writer

Over 30 years ago, the Supreme Court legalized abortion, but for several Notre Dame and St. Mary's students, the matter is far from settled.

About 200 students will attend the 31st annual March for Life in Washington today. Janel Daufenbach, president of Notre Dame Right to Life, said the march offers a valuable opportunity to express the pro-life message.

"We're going to protest the 31st anniversary of Roe v. Wade," Daufenbach said, referring to the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion on demand. "It's very powerful to see so many people protesting this horrible law."

Chartered buses carrying the students left Wednesday evening to travel to the nation's capital.

Later today, the students will join about 200,000 other pro-life advocates in a march from the Washington Monument to the Supreme Court.

"It's heartening to see so many college students," she said.

Daufenbach went on to say the marchers hope to change public perceptions surrounding the abortion debate.

"If we really want to change the world, we have to change how people view the beginning of a child's life," she said.

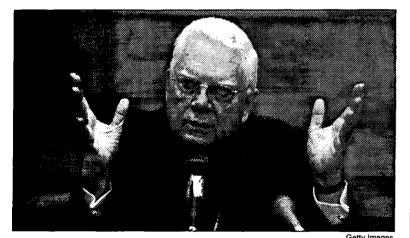
Some members of the Notre Dame delegation will also participate in a student leadership conference sponsored by American Collegiates for Life, a student prolife organization. The conference, to be held Friday and Saturday at Catholic University, will feature an address by Bernard Nathanson, a former pro-choice activist who is now against abortion.

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Pro-life demonstrators pray in front of the Supreme Court in Washington, D.C. during last year's March for Life, which is an annual march against the Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion.

Diocese complies with sex abuse policy

Critics: church not doing enough to help victims



Archbishop Bernard Cardinal Law appears at an evidentiary hearing involving defrocked priest John Geoghan at Suffolk

STUDENT SENATE

Group updated on elections

The Student Senate received reports concerning other factions of the Student Union at Wednesday's meeting.

Judicial board president Elliot Poindexter updated Senators on the student body presidential election, which has already begun in its preliminary stages.

Poindexter reported that the petitions, which must be submitted before any candidate can be approved to run for office, are due Friday by 5 p.m. He also confirmed that elections will be held on the internet.

"We will have elections online this year as we did last year ... We will be running a test first to make sure the process works," he said.

He said that after presidential elections, the student union will hold elections for class councils.

Poindexter informed senators that petitions for those positions will be available on Feb. 2.

In addition to Poindexter's report, senators heard from Lewis senator Claire Berezowitz, one of the Senate's four representatives on the Council of Representatives.

Berezowitz said that the Council is working on a structure for the Student Union and progress has been made. "We voted on the major structures, but we haven't hammered out the details yet," she said. So far, the Council has pro-

So far, the Council has provided for two main bodies programming and policy designed to make running the Student Union more efficient.

"We created two cabinets on the programming side and the policy side so they can coordinate events and not overlap," Berezowitz told senators.

In other Senate news:

◆Pangborn Senator and chair of the Senate's committee on gender issues Kaitlyn

Superior Court on Aug. 2, 2002 in Boston.

This article is part one of a two-part news series by C. Spencer Beggs.

By C. SPENCER BEGGS News Writer

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has published the findings of an audit meant to gauge how well each of its 195 dioceses and eparchies in the country is complying with new guidelines to reduce sexual abuse by priests and lay church workers and reach out to victims.

The report was part of the USCCB's response to the sex scandal that has rocked the Catholic Church for the past two years. When reports that former Boston Cardinal Bernard Law moved a priest, John Geoghan, from parish to parish despite evidence that he sexually abused children, the church was faced with one of its biggest public scandals in history. Faced with mounting criticism

and negative press, the USCCB adopted the "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" in June 2002. The charter established the USCCB Office of Child and Youth Protection, which is monitored by a national review board composed of lay Catholics. The OCYP was required to create an auditing system to monitor the progress of each diocese and eparchy toward compliance with the charter. The results of the audit are published in a public annual report.

The audit process consisted of an onsite review of each diocese and eparchy by investigator selected by the USCCB. The Gavin Group, Inc. of Boston, a corporate

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Kennedy daughter to speak at SMC

By KELLY MEEHAN News Writer

Human rights activist Kerry Kennedy will speak as the Keynote Address Speaker in Saint Mary's annual Play of the Mind conference tonight at 7:30 p.m. in O'Laughlin Auditorium. She is the daughter of Robert F. Kennedy, and has led over 40 human rights delegations in 30 different countries.

Kennedy has worked on a variety of human rights issues from child labor and ethnic violence to the environment and women's rights. It is hoped that her interaction with students, faculty and administrators from different schools and backgrounds will lead to a greater understanding of others and

themselves.

"Kerry Kennedy was selected because she herself represents the impact that one individual can have on the world," event coordinator Marcia Rickard said. Kennedy is also the author of "Speak Truth to Power: Human Rights Defenders who are Changing our World," which features interviews from human rights activists from around the world. A theater production based on this book will be presented in April.

The Play of the Mind conference invites Saint Mary's students, along with students from other colleges, to interact creatively and intellectually to figure out how to meet the challenges that are facing women in our society.

Ten other colleges have been

invited to this year's event. These schools are from all over the country; some from as close as Holy Cross College to as far away as Bennett College in Greensboro, N.C.

"The theme, Examining Identity, was chosen for the Play of the Mind Conference to link with the first-year theme of the College because it is one which is so important for all of us," said Rickard.

The Play of the Mind conference began in 1991 and has been held every January since then. The goal of this year's conference is to vigorously explore the responsibilities an intellect holds in today's world to make a difference in the world. Students, faculty and administrators will

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INSIDE COLUMN Chinese food here

Happy 4701! That's right, it's the Chinese New Year.

This week marks the beginning of the Year of the Monkey in the Chinese lunar calendar. And what

better way to celebrate than by ordering some Chinese food, delivered right to your dorm by the friendly people at Golden Dragon?



Let me start by saying that Knott Hall loves South Bend's finest **Chinese delivery** shop. When I say "loves," I don't

Matt Bramanti

Wire Editor

just mean we enjoy their food. We love them like mothers love their babies, like hippies love their Birkenstocks, like Howard Dean loves screaming like a maniac.

I hardly know where to begin, as I extol the virtues of the Juggs' favorite supplier of Eastern delights.

The variety is simply astonishing. The Dragon's minions serve sixcount 'em, six-varieties of lo mein. My personal favorite is roast pork, but beef, chicken, veggie, shrimp, and "house special" can all be had, and they're all pretty good. At under eight bucks a quart, it's the best deal this side of the Great Wall.

And the General Tso's chicken is some of the best I've had. What would a Chinese menu be without. the contributions of the Szechuan Army's best-fed commander?

Even better, the menu is not only extensive, but entertaining. Until recently, the cover of the menu proclaimed, "We Delivery!"

And they do.

Just pick up the phone, dial 243-8800, and a half hour later you're the proud recipient of a hot, nondescript paper bag. You open the bag to find not only your order, but a treasure trove of goodies: free soy sauce, free fortune cookies, and enough free sweet-and-sour sauce to float an aircraft carrier.

If you're really lucky, the delivery guy will even bring you a calendar, featuring either serene Chinese landscapes or lovely Asian ladies.

As the smell of hot, fresh Chinese food wafts through the corridors, guys in your section start peeking out their doors. And you hear the same question over and over: "Did you get Golden Dragon?"

Of course I did, and so should





Cheryl Campbell

Chris Bechtel

Junior

Stanford

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Farley Hall "Yes. And by that I mean no."

Junior



Rachel Manley

Sophomore Farley

No.



Kim Zigich

Senior

Farley

"Sure, after

May.'

Allison Traynham

Junior Farley

"Yes. "



Students relax in a Lafayette apartment Wednesday night. Many students are easing into the beginning of the semester, which means a return to both school and class work.

OFFBEAT

Big trucker couldn't fit into little rig

ST. LOUIS — A 412pound trucker who says he would never happen again, March. was fired for being unable that I'd always have a truck that I could fit it." 6to fit into a smaller tractor foot-2 Geter said from his assigned to him got an apology and a right-sized home in Berkeley, a St. rig from the company snickerdoodles to 24 of 30 Louis suburb. "They were Wednesday, resolving a just the nicest people you polling places — didn't flap both sides passed off would ever want to meet." constitute electioneering. as a big misunderstanding. The decision allows Ruiz Judge: cookie gesture is not Walter Geter, 49, also got Raber to keep her council back pay to cover his considered electioneering post. wages since his firing last ANGELES LOS "I was fighting for Thursday, offered up by Carson's cookie case crumdemocracy," Ruiz Raber USF Holland Inc. during a bled. said, calling it a sour brief hearing over the Councilwoman Julie Ruiz grapes "frivolous lawsuit." grievance he filed last Raber was sued by an week with Teamsters Local opponent for alleged elec-Information compiled 600. tioneering after she delivfrom the Associated Press.

"They were so apologetic, told me it was a mistake and told me this

ered cookies to nearly every poll worker in Carson on election day last

But Superior Court Judge Alexander Williams III ruled Tuesday that the gesture — delivery of

IN BRIEF

Ticket distribution for the Keenan Revue takes place today from 2 to 3 p.m. at gate 10 of the Joyce Center. Student ID's are required to obtain a ticket.

The College Bowl is the world's longest running general knowledge quiz competition. The tournament will be held today from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune. Come watch teams from campuses across the country compete in a question-and-answer game that tests knowledge in a wide variety of subjects.

Notre Dame's own bagpipers showcase their skills at the Irish New Year. Come hear the ND Bagpipe Band tonight from 10 p.m. to midnight at Legends.

The Late Night Olympics, an all night sports extravaganza and fund raiser for the St. Joseph County Special Olympics will be held tomorrow from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m. in the Joyce Center. Come participate and support Special Olympics.

Come enjoy one of the nations's top comics, Kevin McPeek, Friday. McPeek will perform from 10 p.m. to 12 a.m. at Legends.

Welsh Fmaily Hall will hold its Dance Show this Saturday at 7 p.m. in Washington Hall. Admission is free, and seating is first come first serve. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

you. After all, 1.1 billion Chinese can't be wrong.

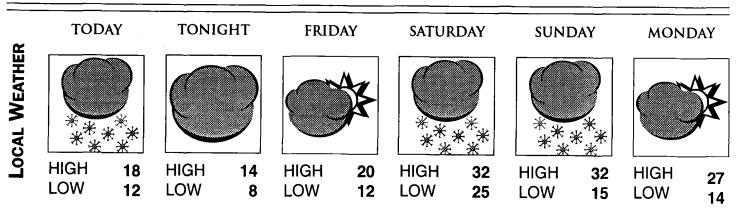
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Come enjoy nightclub dancing at Legends Saturday night from midnight to 4 a.m.

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Seniors graduate early, reflect trend

By WILL PUCKETT News Writer

Reflecting a growing trend of more and more seniors receiving diplomas in January, 115 seniors graduated on Jan. 4.

According to information provided by the Registrar's Office, 63 seniors, or just more than half of the 115 January graduates, were graduating in seven semesters.

The remainder had taken at least nine semesters, although the data does not account for circumstances such as leaves of absence or deferral of graduation, said Nancy Osth, commencement coordinator. The total number of undergraduate diplomas granted in January has risen in the past few years. In 2003, there were 122 graduates in January, although it is not certain how many of those were early graduates.

Prior to that, in 2002, January graduates totaled 83, although it is again unclear how many of that number graduated early. Before 2002, the number is believed to have been relatively consistent.

The most recently publicized January graduation was former student body president Pat Hallahan.

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Army boots memorialize soldiers

Associated Press

CHICAGO — More than 500 pairs of empty Army boots were placed side-by-side in downtown Chicago Wednesday to serve as a reminder of U.S. soldiers killed in Iraq.

The black boots, some dusty and dirty from use, were placed on Federal Plaza in front of a posterboard display that listed the names, ages and states of all soldiers killed in the war.

"These young men and women will not have died in vain if truth triumphs," said Michael McConnell, regional director of the American Friends Service Committee, a Quaker peace and social justice group that sponsored the memorial.

He referred to President Bush's State of the Union address a day earlier in which the president urged the nation to stay the course. "We say reverse the course," McConnell said. "Admit that this war was fought under false pretenses."

The United States has not been able to find any banned weapons in Iraq, which in large part was Bush's justification for going to war.

White House spokesman Jim Morrell said Bush "appreciates that we live in a free society where people are free to express their views. But as the president said ... the world is a safer place without Saddam Hussein's regime."

The memorial served as a powerful symbol for visitor Becky Schillo.

"You hear about one or two soldiers being killed, then 500," the 24-year-old said. "It kind of hits home."

As of Wednesday, 503 U.S. service members have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq, both from hostile and non-hostile causes, according to the military.

Committee votes on terrorism bill

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A House committee recommended legislation Wednesday that would provide for fast special elections if a terrorist attack killed or incapacitated many House members.

The measure would require expedited elections under "extraordinary circumstances" when the speaker of the House announces that vacancies in the 435-member chamber exceed 100.

The bill, approved 18-10, stipulates that parties choose candidates within 10 days of that announcement and that state elections be held within 45 days.

The legislation has also been approved by the House Administration Committee and now goes to the full House for consideration.

Lawmakers have been considering the ramifications of mass casualties in Congress since the Sept. 11 attacks in 2001. The Senate would be less of a problem because governors can appoint senators when vacancies arise prior to an election. Vacancies in the House are filled by special elections.

Some lawmakers, and an

independent commission created after the 2001 attacks, have backed the idea of a constitutional amendment that would give the states the flexibility to fill House vacancies either by special elections or appointment.

But House Judiciary Committee Chairman James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., the main sponsor of the legislation considered on Wednesday, has opposed the amendment route, saying the House should maintain its status as a popularly elected body. His bill, he said, would "protect the people's right to chosen representation."

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Nathanson founded the National Association for the Repeal of the Abortion Laws, a major pro-choice organization in 1968. Before renouncing his support of medical abortion, Nathanson personally performed more than 5,000 abortions.

Students will also have time for sightseeing tours of the monuments and memorials in the Washington area, Daufenbach said.

Daufenbach said the march has traditionally been a peaceful affair. She downplayed the role of pro-choice protesters at the event, and said the media distorts the nature of the clashes. "The 200,000 pro-life marchers

dominate the tiny, tiny handful of counter-demonstrators," she said. "But the counter-demonstrators get the media time."

Daufenbach distanced her organization from militant prolife groups, who often use violent and graphic images of aborted fetuses in their literature and on placards. She emphasized her organization's compassion.

"It's important to remember that there are two victims in every abortion: the child and the mother," she said. "We need to love them both."

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be encouraged to do work on their own campuses to understand and act wisely in the modern world.

"I hope that students walk away

with new and innovative ideas to make our campus better, as well as the energy and stamina to work hard at making those changes actually occur," said junior Play of the Mind committee member Gillian Short.

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center. I look forward to fur-

ther conversations about the

center ...

Senate

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Redfield reported to Senators that her committee's resolution on creating a Women's Resource Center on campus, which was subsequently passed by the Campus Life Council, has received a response from Father Mark Poorman, University Vice President for Student Affairs. In a letter to former student body president Pat Hallahan, Poorman wrote, "[The resolution] is a positive step towards the ultimate creation of such a ◆The Senate unanimously approved sophomore Michael Marshall as the new assistant student union treasurer. In his letter of nomination for Marshall, student union treasurer Don Norton said, "This candidate is well qualified, dedicated and hard working ... I feel that this candidate has the ability to deal with all departments within the Student Union ..."

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consulting and auditing firm, was hired to serve as an independent agency to verify the results. The Gavin Group sent teams of two to six auditors to 191 sites to interview administrators, review documents and policies and issue instructions to dioceses and eparchies found to not be in compliance.

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, which incorporates Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, was audited last August and was found to be compliant with the charter. The audit indicated that the diocese had established an effective prevention policy and a well-publicized code of conduct for priests, deacons and other church personnel who have contact with children; no allegations of sexual misconduct have been reported to the diocese since June 2002 when the auditing system began monitoring, though a statement by Bishop John D'Arcy has indicated the diocese has found credible claims of sexual misconduct involving minors against 16 different priests (12 with boys, four with girls). None of these claims involved physical sexual abuse since 1987, he said. The diocese was commended for its early establishment of a sexual abuse policy involving minors, which was implemented in 1990.

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend includes 14 counties in northeastern Indiana and serves a population of 167,000 registered Catholics with 22 deacons and 64 diocesan priests.

But critics say that the audit can be misleading and does not go far enough in dealing with the sex abuse scandal by allowing the church to keep too much information private. Lois Myers, the Indiana coordinator of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, said that the auditing process has not made the church publicly accountable.

"They're not any more forthcoming then they have to be," Myers said. "They're forthcoming now because they're backed into a corner, but they're not being as compliant as they could be. I want to see names. I want to see records."

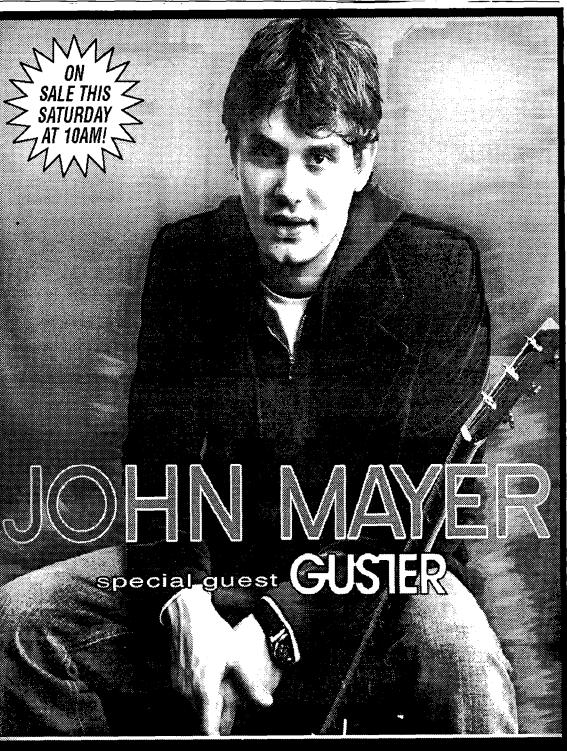
Myers said that the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend has not allowed victims and survivors of abuse to be involved in the process of reviewing claims of sexual misconduct by priests input that she thinks is essential to correcting a system that turned a blind eye and, in some cases, covered up such abuse. And Myers knows the frustration. She brought a claim of sexual abuse by a priest to court in 1991, but it was dismissed in 1993 as not being credible, sounding "more like something out of a horror movie" than a parochial school.

"My claim was not found 'credible,' but I can tell you that I was raped and molested for three years," Myers said.

Myers thinks that her case might have been more successful if it had been filed today than a decade ago, but said that dioceses are still able to brush victims of abuse under the rug by settling cases out of court for cash payouts in exchange for confidentiality agreements like the one she said her sister signed.

"There's still too much secrecy here; still to much cover-up," Myers said. "You're seen as a potential lawsuit and they are just trying to see what they can do to make sure it doesn't get out of hand.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Falun Gong leader accuses Beijing

HONG KONG - In a rare televised appearance, Falun Gong founder Li Hongzhi said Wednesday that Beijing cracked down on the meditation group because government leaders envied its popularity.

China replied by calling Li a dangerous criminal whose Falun Gong "cult" must be stopped.

Mainland China outlawed Falun Gong in 1999 as a threat to communist rule, but Li said the group - which has attracted millions of followers - has never been interested in challenging the government.

"The Chinese leaders couldn't tolerate so many people practicing Falun Gong," Li said in an interview with a New York-based television station that apparently has close ties to Falun Gong. "It's a form of jealousy. This jealousy led to the oppression."

UN to approve Iraq request UNITED NATIONS — The United Nations is

close to backing an American and Iraqi request to deploy experts who would assess whether Iraq could hold elections by May for a transitional government, U.N. diplomats told The Associated Press.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan received the request during a Monday meeting with leaders of the U.S.-picked Iraqi Governing Council and the U.S.-led Coalition Provisional Authority. He said he supported the idea but reiterated that security for such a team was a key concern.

On Tuesday, one U.N. diplomat said approval for an election team could come by week's end. Another agreed that was a possibility, but said the decision might not be announced until a few days later.

NATIONAL NEWS

Dems adapt to New Hampshire

MANCHESTER, N.H. - This isn't lowa anymore. As fast as you can say "Kerry wins," the Democratic presidential candidates are retooling their campaigns in an appeal to New Hampshire's independent voters.

The White House hopefuls also are making decisions on the fly about the vital next stage of the campaign - a spate of February elections in 17 states and the District of Columbia, starting Feb. 3.

And they're doing all this without the presence of Dick Gephardt, bounced from the field after an lowa caucus contest that has candidates thinking twice about going negative in the fast-shifting race headed toward the New Hampshire primary on Tuesday.

Court: EPA can override states

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators can trump more permissive state officials in some disputes over costly measures to limit air pollution, the Supreme Court said Wednesday in a ruling that departed from the court's trend toward granting state governments more power.

Bush touts job training proposal

President addresses high unemployment in key manufacturing, electoral states

Associated Press

TOLEDO, Ohio President Bush, on the defensive about jobs as he campaigns for re-election, said Wednesday "there are still troubled times" in states like Ohio as he touted his plan for retraining laid-off workers for new careers.

Democrats derided the approach as meager in an economy that has shed 2.3 million jobs during the Bush presidency.

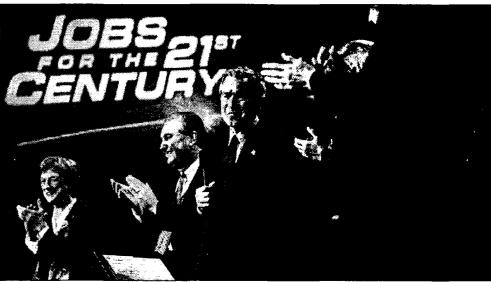
A day after his State of the Union address, Bush began an overnight trip to three states important to his re-election strategy — Ohio, Arizona and New Mexico. He highlighted the economy as well as the war on terrorism, which polls say is his strongest suit with voters.

Since Bush took office, Ohio's unemployment rate has jumped from 3.9 per-cent to 5.7 percent, with heavy losses in manufacturing.

'Nationwide this economy is strong," Bush said at Owens Community College near Toledo. "I fully recognize in Ohio there are still troubled times. The manufacturing sector here is sluggish at best, and therefore people are looking for work.'

No Republican has ever won the White House without Ohio, and Bush's trip marked his 14th visit to the state. In the last election, he carried Ohio

by 3.5 percentage points. Bush said his "Jobs for the 21st Century" plan would spur employment. From Ohio, Bush flew to Arizona to make the same



President George W. Bush smiles at applause Wednesday during a speech at Owens Community College in Toledo, Ohio. The preisdent is on a two-day trip to highlight economic proposals from his State of the Union address.

argument at Mesa Community College outside Phoenix, the largest city in a state that handed its 10 electoral votes to Bush by a very narrow margin in 2000.

Bush proposes spending an additional \$500 million on a slew of job-training and education programs: \$250 million in grants to community colleges that partner with employers looking for higher-skilled workers; an extra \$33 million in the approximately \$12 billion Pell Grant program to give \$1,000 more per year to low-income students who complete a rigorous high school curriculum; \$100 million to teach middle and high school students to read; \$120 million in grants to increase math achievement; and a \$28 million increase in fundfor Advanced ing Placement.

"We better have a sys-

tem which is able to be flexible enough to help people who want to work find a job, to match willing worker with willing employer," Bush said. "The key is to train people for the work that actually exists."

Still, there was little explanation from either Bush or his aides to address the question of how education initiatives and retraining programs would produce the large number of new jobs needed to ease the malaise that still exists in many communities. Last month, for instance, businesses added just 1,000 new jobs nationwide.

Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry, campaigning in New Hampshire, said that means Bush failed to deliver on a promise to create 250,000 jobs last month. "After four years in office, this president

still doesn't understand what's happening in living rooms across this country," Kerry said.

And local protesters braved temperatures that dipped into the single digits to register their dissatisfaction with the president's leadership on the economy. Set up'outside the community college, the demonstrators brought along an oversized, inflatable rat bearing the sign, "Where are the jobs?'

On Thursday, the president was off to New Mexico, which went to Democrat Al Gore in 2000 by 366 votes, for a stop focused on the war on terrorism.

Back in Washington, the White House tried to spread Bush's message by allowing talk radio hosts to broadcast from the front lawn, complete with all-day access to various top-level Bush officials.

Man charged with bribing Sharon

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Alaska's governor wanted to allow the world's largest zinc mine to use cheaper, less effective anti-pollution equipment, but the federal Environmental Protection Agency said no. The Supreme Court's 5-4 ruling upholds EPA's veto power in such cases.

LOCAL NEWS

IUSB raises \$5.3M in campaign

SOUTH BEND — Indiana University South Bend has raised nearly \$5.3 million in its first-ever capital fund-raising drive and is preparing for a second campaign.

The recently completed drive topped the \$5 million goal established when the campaign began in 2000, said Ilene Sheffer, vice chancellor for public affairs and university advancement at the 7,500-student campus.

The largest gift of the campaign was a \$1 million donation from a donor who asked to remain anonymous, Sheffer said.

The campaign also raised \$1.5 million for student financial aid and more than \$1 million for the school's academic units.

Case could lead to corruption charges against embattled Israeli prime minister

Associated Press

ISRAEL

TEL AVIV --- An Israeli court charged a real-estate developer Wednesday with paying more than a half-million dollars in bribes to Ariel Sharon - a case that could force the prime minister to step aside.

While Sharon has not been charged, Justice Ministry officials say they are considering whether to indict the Israeli leader. The officials say the decision is expected in the coming weeks or months.

Sharon's spokesman Asaf Shariv would not comment on the case except to say, "I can guarantee there will not be an indictment."

David Appel was indicted in the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court for allegedly giving Sharon hundreds of thousands of dollars to promote a tourism project in Greece and also to help rezone urban land near Tel Aviv before and during Sharon's term as prime minister.

Appel's lawyer, Moshe Israel, denied the charges. "There is no doubt he is innocent," he said.

The indictment over the scandal widely known as the "Greek Island Affair" — centers on allegations that Sharon's son Gilad received large sums in his father's behalf from Appel, an activist in Sharon's Likud Party who was trying to promote the project in Greece during 1999. Sharon was then foreign minister and allegedly was asked to use his influence to push both projects, although neither came to pass.

Specifically, the indictment said that during 1998-99 Appel "gave Ariel Sharon a bribe in recognition of activities connected to the fulfillment of his public positions.'

The indictment said Gilad Sharon, while ostensibly a consultant in the Greek project, served as a middleman in accepting the bribes. "[Appel] and

Gilad agreed to this arrangement despite the fact that the defendant knew that Gilad had no relevant professional qualifications," it said.

It said Appel sent a total of \$690,000 to Sharon's family ranch in the Negev desert. Appel also promised to support Sharon in party primary elections, the indictment said.

The indictment against Appel threatens not only Sharon's political career but also complicates the daunting task of negotiating peace in the Middle East.

Sharon and Palestinian counterpart Ahmed Qureia say they support the U.S.-backed "road map" peace plan to end 40 months of violence but remain deadlocked over details.

In the meantime, Sharon has threatened to unilaterally redraw Israel's border with the Palestinians — a move the Palestinians oppose as a land grab, but which could also mean a historic dismantling of some Jewish settlements deep in Palestinian areas.

Crime database contains personal info

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A federally funded crime database run by seven states is looking increasingly to privacy advocates like a potent substitute for the data-mining program the Pentagon scrapped after public rebuke.

Law enforcement officials and the private company that manages the database, known as Matrix, say it merely streamlines police access to information about suspects that authorities have long been able to get from disparate sources.

But newly emerging facts about the program, including documents obtained by the American Civil Liberties Union, indicate it could also be made to sift through vast stores of Americans' personal data some 20 billion records — and proactively finger crime and terrorism suspects.

Combining state records with databases owned by Seisint Inc., Matrix details — among other things — the property, boats and Internet domains people own, their address history, utility connections, bankruptcies, liens and business filings, according to an August report by the Georgia state Office of Homeland Security.

The report, which was once posted on a state Web site, offers a broader glimpse of Matrix — short for the Multistate Anti-Terrorism Information Exchange — than its guardians are generally willing to make public.

"This is a major program with very large ambitions, and it needs to be publicly examined. We shouldn't be forced to read tea leaves," said Barry Steinhardt, who heads the ACLU's technology and liberty

program.

The August report touts Matrix's ability to display information quickly, along with pictures of some people on file, and perform analysis: "The user can easily see relationships between people, places and things that were previously impossible to discern."

"With minimal input and the push of a button, witnesses, associates, relatives and suspects can be identified and located," adds the report, which was cited in a December Supreme Court filing by the Electronic Privacy Information Center.

References to Matrix's analysis capabilities also emerged in documents obtained by the ACLU under the open-records law in Pennsylvania, one of the participating states.

Among the files were two 2003 memorandums of understanding between Pennsylvania officials and Florida police that discussed how Matrix would be used for both criminal investigations and "intelligence purposes."

Also, the minutes of an October 2002 planning meeting attended by representatives of 12 states, the FBI and Seisint reveal new details about the involvement of the federal government, which seeded Matrix with \$12 million and has access to it through the FBI and Department of Homeland Security.

Those minutes note that the FBI, Secret Service and two agencies now under Homeland Security — the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Drug Enforcement Agency — helped Florida officials craft data-mining software for Matrix.

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ernment, Seisint has former federal and state law enforcement officials on staff, including managing director Brian Stafford, former head of the Secret Service.

"This is the state version of TIA," Steinhardt said, referring to the Pentagon's Terrorism Information Awareness program, which was shelved last year after a public uproar and a Congressional inquiry.

The TIA and its original leader, Adm. John Poindexter, aimed to spot patterns in a much bigger pool of data than Matrix possesses, and people involved in Matrix reject any comparison. They say Matrix essentially is a revved-up search engine, not a surveillance tool.

Launched in response to Sept. 11, Matrix lets states share criminal, prison and vehicle information and crossreference it with databases held by Seisint, including civil court records, voter registrations and address histories going back as long as 30 years.

Officials at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, which oversees the program, say the files do not include phone records, financial transactions or other material that would require a court order for law enforcement to see.

For now the project involves Connecticut, Florida, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Utah. About 450 law enforcement agents are using the system, according to Clay Jester, Matrix coordinator for the Institute for Intergovernmental Research, the nonprofit group helping to expand the project from its original implementation in Florida.

Modified bollworms could combat disease

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Some high-tech insect experiments soon may be flitting out of the laboratory: Mosquitos genetically modified to eliminate malaria. Silkworms engineered to produce bulletproof vests. Bollworm moths designed to self-destruct before they can wipe out cotton crops.

Genetically engineered insects hold the promise of benefiting millions, eradicating diseases and plagues that cause famine in the developing world.

But despite such good intentions, many scientists are alarmed that few safeguards exist to keep unintended consequences from harming humans or the environment.

Fast-producing insects anchor food chains around the globe. Yet the impact that genetically engineered bugs could have on ecosystems is only now being explored, even as researchers push to release biotech insect experiments into the wild.

Such questions could be vitally important, particularly since many researchers are engineering insects designed to change the genetic makeup of their very species.

Unlike with biotech crops or livestock, which are at least designed to be controlled, the goal of much of this insect research is to introduce genetically engineered traits into natural insect populations — for example, rendering tsetse flies incapable of carrying deadly sleeping sickness, a disease that afflicts millions in Africa.

No biotech insect experiment

has been conducted outside a laboratory yet, but a few projects are getting close — a prospect that prompted the Pew Initiative on Food and Biotechnology, in a report being released Thursday, to call on the federal government to adopt strict regulations.

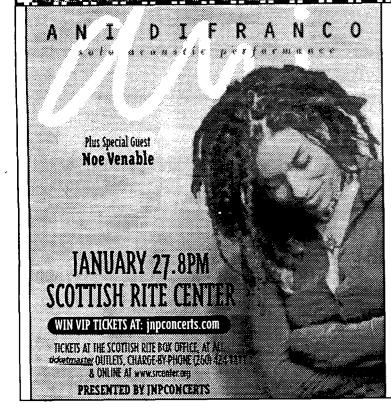
"Usually, biotechnology seems to move more quickly than the regulations," said Michael Fernandez, Pew's science director. "But in this case, we have the time."

No U.S. law specifically addresses biotech bugs. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's written policy on engineered insects asserts regulatory authority only over "plant pests," requiring that any outdoor experiment get prior federal approval.

Bob Rose, a USDA scientist, said federal agencies can and probably will assert authority over many of these projects with some creative categorizing. For instance, Rose said the USDA has authority to regulate insects that cause disease in animals. Mosquitoes are livestock pests and Rose said genetically engineered malaria fighters could be brought under USDA's authority in that way.

Rose also says biotech insect research is still in its infancy. Still, he concedes more explicit regulations as called for by Pew would eliminate many of the regulatory loopholes being exploited by biotech companies. For example, no regulator stepped in to monitor the Glofish, a fluorescent zebra fish recently put on the market, because no federal agency was specifically tasked with overseeing biotech house pets.





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IN BRIEF

Housing starts highest since 1978

WASHINGTON — Residential construction activity picked up in December, helping to make all of 2003 the best year for home builders in a quarter-century and underscoring the critical role the sector played in the economy's resurgence.

The Commerce Department reported Wednesday that housing construction increased by 1.7 percent last month from November — ending 2003 on a high note. For all of last year, the number of housing units that builders broke ground on totaled 1.85 million, up from 1.70 million in 2002.

The total for 2003 marked the strongest performance since 1978, when housing construction came to 2.02 million. December's performance, meanwhile, was a lot better than analysts expected. They were forecasting a nearly 6 percent drop in activity.

J.P. Morgan posts huge 4Q profit NEW YORK — J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. on

BUSINESS

Martha jury faces questions

Court transcripts reveal diverse spectrum of potential jurors in Stewart case

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Lawyers in the Martha Stewart trial are making their way through a diverse jury pool, from a man who said the style expert could not be trusted to a woman who told her: "I am a huge fan of yours. Good luck."

A transcript released Wednesday of the first day of jury questioning offered a glimpse at the painstaking process by which lawyers for the government and Stewart are trying to detect whether jurors might favor one side or the other.

No one involved in the case appears to believe it is possible to seat a jury of 12 people who have never heard of Stewart. Instead, the judge in the case is trying to make sure they can try the case fairly. "I mean, it's been impos-

"I mean, it's been impossible to totally not hear about the case," one potential juror told the judge. "It has been everywhere."

Stewart, 62, is accused of lying to the government and her own shareholders about why she sold ImClone Systems stock in 2001, just before it plummeted on a negative government decision on an ImClone cancer drug.

Hundreds of people have filled out jury questionnaires. But the judge has barred reporters from watching follow-up interviews with those people, instead releasing a transcript the following day, with names deleted.

U.S. District Judge Miriam Goldman Cedarbaum approved 14 jurors after questioning Tuesday, and a lawyer for Stewart's co-defendant, Peter Bacanovic, characterized Wednesday as a "similar day."

The judge is said to want 50 available for the next round, when lawyers nar-

row the pool to 12 jurors and six alternates.

In the questionnaires and the follow-up interviews, the prospective jurors have been asked their feelings about the rich and whether people in law enforcement and the stock industry can be trusted.

One potential juror answered in the questionnaire that he did not trust Stewart. In a follow-up interview, he told the judge: "Sometimes people that are — that are powerful are not so trustworthy." He was disqualified from the jury.

A woman reported that she worked on a trading desk at a securities firm where the Stewart case is talked about "very regularly" and said she would have trouble ignoring news reports about the trial. She was disqualified.

But before she left the judge's private robing room, according to the transcript, she told Stewart: "I am a huge fan of yours. Good luck."

Other potential jurors were cleared by the judge despite coming from lines of work, or expressing certain feelings, that lawyers found troubling — a sign of the difficulty in picking a jury in such a highly publicized case.

One woman was allowed to stay after saying she did not believe the government was doing enough to prosecute corporate scandals. And a man was cleared after saying he believed money, in some cases, could buy justice.

Stewart arrived at the courthouse Wednesday morning to watch the second day of juror questioning. Stepping out of a Mercedes and wearing a wraparound coat and highheeled boots, she smiled at reporters but did not answer any questions. She ascended the courthouse



Domestic maven Martha Stewart and lawyer John Tigue arrive at federal court in New York on Wednesday for the second day of jury selection in her trial. Stewart is accused of obstruction of justice and securities fraud in connection with the sale of her shares of ImCione stock.

steps on the arm of one of her lawyers.

Across the street from the courthouse, a man in a hooded parka jumped up and down and shouted: "Save Martha! Save Martha! Save Martha!"

Stewart again did not answer reporters' questions as she left, but her attorney, Robert Morvillo said, "Everything went fine today. We'll be back tomorrow."

Stewart claims she and Bacanovic, her ex-stockbroker, had a standing order to sell Stewart's 3,928 shares of ImClone stock when its price fell below \$60 per share.

But the government claims Stewart sold after she was tipped that her friend Sam Waksal, the founder of ImClone, was trying to sell his shares. Waksal had advance word of the government decision on the drug.

Opening statements are expected early next week.

News organizations, including The Associated Press, have asked a federal appeals court to let reporters watch jury selection. But the court will not hear the case until Monday.

Wednesday reported a fourth-quarter profit of \$1.86 billion, a turnaround from a loss a year ago and well above Wall Street's expectations.

Like other major banks that have been reporting earnings in recent days, J.P. Morgan's profits were boosted by improvements in both corporate and consumer credit as well as the rebounding stock market.

On Tuesday, Citigroup reported fourth-quarter earnings that were up 96 percent from a year ago despite the write-off of millions of dollars in loans to the troubled Italian dairy Parmalat. Wells Fargo & Co. earnings were in line with estimates, but U.S. Bancorp missed by a penny.

Wyeth to donate FluMist vaccine

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — After disappointing sales in the first season of their needle-free flu vaccine, the sellers of FluMist said Wednesday that they plan to donate 250,000 doses to public health agencies.

A spokesman for Wyeth, which co-markets the drug with Gaithersburg-based manufacturer MedImmune Inc., said the move was a goodwill gesture meant to shore up supplies of vaccine during the current shortage of the traditional flu shot.

Bank earnings propel industrials

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Strong bank earnings pushed the Dow Jones industrial average and the Standard & Poor's 500 index to new 22-month highs Wednesday, but technology stocks lagged on disappointing news from Lucent Technologies and Motorola.

With little market-moving news coming out of President Bush's State of the Union address Tuesday night, analysts attributed the gains to upbeat quarterly profit reports, led by J.P. Morgan Chase. However, six weeks of advances in tech and telecommunications stocks prompted many investors to collect profits in those sectors.

The run-up in anticipation of good earnings reports has excited investors, but some are skeptical about whether the outlook for 2004 is robust enough to justify valuations, especially for tech stocks, said John Caldwell, chief investment strategist for McDonald Financial Group, part of Cleveland-based KeyCorp.

"Folks are getting away from their infatuation with tech stocks," Caldwell said. "They're looking more toward companies like J.P. Morgan & Chase. And why not? Not only did they just announce a big merger, but their earnings were substantially better than anticipated."

The Dow closed up 94.96, or 0.9 percent, at 10,623.62. It was the highest close for the index stocks since March 19, 2002, when it ended the day at 10,635.25.

The broader gauges were mixed. The Nasdaq composite index closed down 5.53, or 0.3 percent, at 2,142.45. The S&P 500 gained 8.85, or 0.8 percent, to 1,147.62 — its highest close since March 22, 2002, when it finished at 1,148.70. Much of the advance came late in the day. Earlier, earnings reports appeared to be motivating some investors to sell, said Todd Clark, head of listed equity trading at Wells Fargo Securities.

"Even some of the stocks that have had great results, like Merrill Lynch are down on profit taking," Clark said. "Others are falling because of concerns about outlook."

Overall, fourth-quarter earnings are expected to rise 20 percent, but that may not be enough to match investors' heightened expectations. Still, most analysts remain bullish about equities over the long term.

"The market is sorting out a number of things," said Kevin Caron, market strategist with Ryan, Beck & Co., LLC. "There's a clear improvement in fundamentals, there's clear improvement in valuations ... the market will find its own natural level."

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The power of engineering for society

Students in engineering here can feel torn. Answering Notre Dame's call to service is challenging. I considered dropping engineering as a freshman because I couldn't connect engineering t

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now that leaving engineering would have been a terrible waste.	ND Changing Times		

Ideas on this conviction come

through six people interviewed in the College of Engineering, ranging from an undergraduate student to Engineering Dean Frank Incropera. The central message I want to get out to students in our college is that engineers have a tremendous power to improve society in ways the world desperately needs.

Professor Stephen Silliman, Associate Dean and 2003 College of Engineering Professor of the Year, frequently takes students to Haiti to work on water pumps. He is firm in saying "engineers are by definition in service.

Geoscience graduate student Pamela Crane emphasizes immersion with people in a holistic approach to applying technology. She mostly grew up in developing countries since her father worked for the U.S. Agency for International Development. Without having a personal connection, technical solutions may not be accepted by those most needing them. Effective engineering requires both technical and social understanding.

One senior mechanical engineer who started a summer camp for children of parents with cancer and who taught at AIDS seminars in Ghana through the Center for Social Concerns holds that engineers have great power in addressing non-technical problems. We have a different approach to problem solving that can be a key asset.

It can be difficult to act on these high ideals as a student, so here are four ideas that may help: ◆ Local schools need engineering students to tutor. The CSC has a board with tutor requests for students to fill. ND's Habitat for Humanity is one of the larger chapters in the country and can expose engineering students to community needs and the needed real-world coordination skills. ◆ The Student International Business

Club has divisions that can allow engineering students to put their technical skills to use while gaining professional business experience. ◆ The CSC also provides opportunities to study infrastructure and development over any break, whether in cities nationwide through the 48-hour Urban Plunge the Summer Service Learning Project.

integrate service into the curriculum: Research Experience for

Undergraduates has diverse projects allowing students to pursue their interest while gaining early research experience.

• Silliman brings students to Haiti to work on and teach about water pumps

 Professors have research projects that help local communities which need student support. For example, Professor Jeffrey Talley is pursuing a project that would have engineering students develop sensors to monitor pollution and other environmental health issues as part of an environmental justice project in a local economically and disadvantaged community.

• Engineering Projects in Community Service links students with local businesses and government groups so they can have a local impact. Next year,

this program will be executed through the departmental levels where projects will have a more direct link to one's major.

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will count as a technical elective. Contact professors. your department chair, and the Dean's office to learn more. In the Strategic Review posted on its homepage, the College of Engineering notes that students have a lacking understanding of engineering and its impact on society. Accordingly, the College is seeking to develop nvolving economic, e COURS and political issues. Incropera has an inspired vision for his graduates: "I want our engineering students to go out there and really make a difference.' We will swear to make that difference in May. At graduation we will receive a ring and take the Obligation of the Engineer, wherein we will avow that our "skill and knowledge shall be given without reservation for the public good.'

How exactly can we help the common good as professionals? The six people interviewed had the same answer: be a good engineer. Do well, gain respect in the profession, and pursue positions of influence. A solid education will reduce insufficient solutions to complex problems. Here are some other specific ideas for our profession:

1. Starting professionals in any corporation can join boards that work on developmental projects locally or abroad. We can join those boards and push organizations to do more. 2. If we manage our finances and lifestyle well, we can pursue philanthropy and donate funds to groups needing the financial mobility to do their work.

3. Many undeveloped areas, whether domestically or abroad, need only need very basic engineering

> solutions we can provide to halt far-reaching problems in areas such as telecommunications, sewage management, water supply and construction. 4. No matter what our involvements. we can always make space to volunteer our technical skills in local organizations and schools. In 20 years, Notre Dame can graduate over 50,000 people. Each in this group has unique strengths.

Engineers in particular have a remarkable ability to make a difference in ways no one else can. The world needs our skills. If we use in even the smallest put them to way, we will begin to realize the tremendous power of engineering.

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If free time is lacking, this second set of suggestions can help students

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Government is not reason, it is not eloquence, it is force; like fire, a troublesome servant and a fearful master. Never for a moment should it be left to irresponsible action."

> **George Washington** president

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Notre Dame supports Bush?

In an otherwise regrettable article, Jacqueline Cuisinier noted that her conversations with students have convinced her that the ND community largely supports President Bush and will do so in the coming election.

As someone who spent time at ND, this does not surprise me — nor should it; indeed, ND is known as a rather conservative school, mainly because it is Catholic.

Yet this level of support for Bush would be a total surprise to me if all I knew about ND were based on what I read in The Observer. Just look at the recent Viewpoint articles. For every five arguing that Bush is a racist, homophobic, skinhead, Nazi who wants to starve the poor, exterminate the old and eliminate all our freedoms, there are maybe one or two suggesting he might be a somewhat decent human being, whose policies might perhaps be understood in a more favorable light — sort of.

These attack pieces come not only from the regular columnists but from others who submit articles. Nor is the bias limited to the opinion pieces. Consider the article on Jan. 21 about professors responding to the State of the Union. Try to find a positive reaction to the speech in that article. The author suggests "varied opinions," but they are varied only in the way in which they see Bush as evil. One sees Bush as a warmonger; another as a totalitarian; another as a bigot.

What is the cause of this tone? When I was an undergraduate, there was nowhere near this level of ferocity and venom toward President Clinton in campus media — not even close.

Go ahead and look back through old issues, you will see. I recall no opposition to the war in the Balkans, for instance. Nor do I remember much criticism of him for other decisions. Yet if you ask students, I guarantee most will tell you they prefer Bush to Clinton. Why is this not reflected in a paper which represents the ND community?

> Joseph Muldoon Alumni '00 Jan. 21

'Look beyond the bubble'

Despite David Tagler's and Jason Arnoult's valiant efforts, their arguments do little to clear away my ambivalence with respect to how Catholics can support the Republican Party.

By immediately dismissing Ms. Cuisinier's idealism and all of the ideas that come with it as defunct by stating that "Unfortunately, we live in the real world," Mr. Tagler loses his credibility in light of the achievements of idealists such as Martin Luther King Jr., Mahatma Gandhi and even the Founding Fathers.

Furthermore, before he begins making any more course recommendations, Mr. Tagler should probably review his notes from whatever political science course he took last semester and acknowledge that the realpolitik he espouses under which, "all nations do what is in their best interest," is only one of many different mainstream currents in international relations theory.

Other theories suggest that nations cooperate with one another through international institutions and use diplomacy and discussion to resolve their differences instead of relating with one another solely through brute power or force (although in Mr. Tagler's defense, recent actions by the United States might suggest otherwise).

Our resident political scientist also affirms that "there is no doubt everyone on this campus wants the most comfortable life possible" and asks if people "are realistically prepared to make the sacrifices of not living in luxury for the people of Tajikistan."

Well, allow me to cast some doubt into your mind. I know that there are many people here on campus, myself included, who are perfectly willing to make sacrifices, especially small ones, for people in other parts of the world.

When I learned Coca-Cola was complicit in the murder and torture of union organizers in Colombia, I joined an international boycott of their products. Students here at Notre Dame are actively boycotting Taco Bell for their refusal to meet the very basic demands of their workers and condemning goods produced in sweatshops.

Although these sacrifices are small, they still show that plenty of people here on campus do not "want the most comfortable life possible" if it comes at the expense of other human beings.

Before Mr. Tagler has the audacity to make any more outrageous claims, perhaps he should read a few more books and "look beyond the bubble" of his limited perspective.

While Catholic doctrine may condemn socialism, it by no means champions the sort of dogmatic, neo-liberal capitalism Mr. Arnoult seems to advocate in his article. Catholic social teaching supports both workers' rights and environmental protections; the Republican Party's record on these is shoddy at best, especially under the Bush Administration.

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With respect to the abortion issue, all I can say is that many Republicans may respect the sanctity of life while still inside the womb. But once outside, the holiness of that life is cast aside in favor of priorities more important than education, health care, good food, clean water and basic human rights.

Not to downplay the benevolence of Bush's AIDS relief package to Africa, but a significant portion of the funds for that proposal were shuffled from existing foreign aid programs so the figures are inflated. Also, if one were to take into the account the amount of damage in terms of lives and property lost in Africa during the 20th Century alone as a result of the actions of the United States and its allies, \$15 billion is merely a drop in the bucket, but nevertheless an important start. To say the very least, the

To say the very least, the Republican agenda for the country falls well short of the ideals put forward by both the Catholic Church and the United States. Props to Jacqueline Cuisinier for her article — without people who think like her, I would fear even more for the future of the people of this country and for the rest of the world.

> Ryan Abrams sophomore Morrissey Manor Jan. 20

Defending Carroll Hall

Emily Pike's response to yesterday's "Question of the Day" was a well-intentioned attempt at humor, but it remains a glaring example of the blatant dormism all too common at Notre Dame today.

For those unfamiliar with the situation, Ms. Pike suggested that Notre Dame should settle with the tribe suing over western campus land by giving it Carroll Hall. There has been no worse idea in the history of the University.

First and foremost, during our current more still, Carroll is an ideal, a goal. All students can dream that, perhaps one day, they too can find the strength, energy, and will to make the trek to the House On The Lake.

Yes, I agree with Ms. Pike: Carroll would be a most generous settlement gift. No recipient could help but to be impressed with our lakefront property and stunning view of the Dome. Basilica and Grotto. Our spacious hallways, vaulted ceilings, volleyball court and precious Golden Tee arcade machine say, "We want to settle this lawsuit in a manner that is more than fair and charitable." Convenient parking lot access and our nearby personal helicopter pad courtesy of WNDU are just icing on the cake. But that's neither here nor there. Emily, I am sure you thought your words would float like a butterfly through the minds of those who read them. But please understand that for 100 Carroll Hall Vermin, they sting like a bee.

Keeping the sanctity of marriage

President George W. Bush is clearly against the civil union of homosexuals. President Bush stated in the State of the Union address "our nation must defend the sanctity of marriage." He agrees with the Defense of Marriage Act of 1996 which was a response to Hawaii's court ruling which allowed same-sex marriage.

As a person who is pretty lax concerning restrictions placed on honest citizens, I found Bush's stance on gay marriage ridiculous. Bush argues that gay marriage

war on terrorism, Carroll Hall plays a vital role in securing the western front of the University. Without Carroll, invaders from highway 31 could storm campus unchecked by resistance until they had already taken the Grotto. Moreover, cars in the D6 lot closest to Carroll are rarely vandalized, thanks to Carroll's vigilant watch and by virtue of their relative distance from the rest of everything.

For incoming freshmen, Carroll serves as a bastion of hope. Thanks to Carroll's small size, men can hope that they will not find themselves living in the most remote location on campus. For others, Carroll serves as inspiration: how amazing that 100 men can commute back and forth to class tirelessly, day in and day out. For

Ryan Greenberg junior Carroll Hall Jan. 21 destroys the sanctity of traditional marriage.

My question is, then, if one is so upset about the sacredness of marriage being jeopardized, why didn't anyone get offended when Britney had her fling with her high school friend?

Britney'S MARRIAGE was taken as a world-wide joke. KDWB'S Morning radio show host Dave Ryan thought it would be funny to send one of his interns and a listener to Las Vegas so they could get married on the radio, broadcast to Minnesota at the same chapel as Mrs. Spears, only to later have it annulled much like "not that innocent" Britney.

Despite the view of marriage as portrayed by modern popular culture, marriage is sacred. If you are concerned with preserving the meaning of marriage, don't get upset with gays who love each other as much as any married couple and want the same sacred bond (not to mention economic benefits) that married couples have.

Instead, take arms against people that truly do make marriage seem like a joke — Britney Spears and modern pop culture.

Nicholas Coleman freshman Alumni Hall Jan. 21

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ALBUM REVIEW

Jet rediscovers rock and roll

and

them.

By REBECCA SAUNDERS Scene Music Critic

All great bands have at one time been inspired by, or at least maintain, a deep respect for either The Rolling Stones or The Beatles. The four members in the Melbourne-based band Jet grew up on both. The influence is obvious in their music, which succeeds in being not only an album heavy with rock, but an album immersed in the music that is rock and roll. In the faster and heavier rock songs of the albums, Jet sounds a great deal like The Rolling Stones; it is at times almost

difficult not to get up and dance along with the beat. Using instruments like tambourines and harmonicas throughout the album, an older and deeper level of rock and roll is explored. The overall experience of Jet's first album, Get Born, is incredible, one that you makes you want to move with the music and fixates all your attention.

The name Jet itself was taken from Paul McCartney's "frazzled post-Beatles peak from 1973." Jet has the spark of the early Beatles albums that leaves "girls weak at the knees," but in no way can Jet's album be called "pop." It is a mixing of the world of rock and pop under a scratchy garage

rock sound and all that comes through is terrific.

The band itself is composed of four members: two brothers, Nic and Chris Cester, Nic on guitar and vocals and Chris on drums and vocals. Cameron Muncey covers guitar and vocals and Mark Wilson completes the group with his unique bass sound.

Jet grew up on

the greats like The Beatles **Get Born** The Rolling Stones, but when writing Jet Get Born, they were looking farther into Elektra Records music history than those two famous bands, looking instead into the sound that inspired

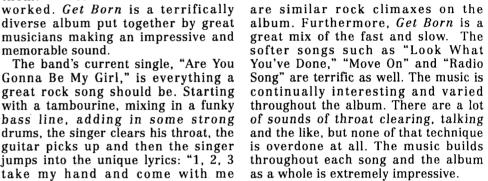
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diverse album put together by great musicians making an impressive and memorable sound.

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The band's current single, "Are You Gonna Be My Girl," is everything a great rock song should be. Starting with a tambourine, mixing in a funky bass line, adding in some strong drums, the singer clears his throat, the guitar picks up and then the singer jumps into the unique lyrics: "1, 2, 3 take my hand and come with me because you look so fine and I-really want to make you mine." There is not much more that needs to be said.

Each song is clearly thought through and Get Born takes the listener on a musical ride that they have not been on before. "Last Chance," "Get What You Need" and "Get Me Outta Here"



Jet is unquestionably one of the best new bands this year. With a familiar yet unique sound, it would be hard to believe that any rock and roll fan could do anything but love Get Born.

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ALBUM REVIEW

Ryan Adams changes genres

By JULIE BENDER Scene Music Critic

In an effort to diversify a musical discography, many artists try to transform their sound from one album to the next. Such transitions tend to have limited success and more than often fail miserably. (See Madonna's shift from '80s pop goddess to her recent attempts at techno and rap ...)

With his November release Love is *Hell Pt. 1* and the January release of Pt. 2, however, singer/songwriter Ryan Adams has managed the transition gracefully. The former front man of Whiskeytown, Adams has become a notable force in the alt-country genre with albums like Heartbreaker and Gold and, as of late, has been hedging to a straightforward rock sound with the aptly titled Rock N Roll.

On the 15 songs that make up the two Love Is Hell EPs, Adams' sound is barely recognizable. Far from guitarladen, staunch rock, the EPs are works of soft, sparse, sad songs. Melancholy piano and gentle guitar fill the tracks on each EP, but most striking are the hauntingly beautiful lvrics.

On Pt. 1, "The Shadowlands" is a song of painful hopelessness with lyrics reminiscent of Bob Dylan's "Just Like a Woman: "With a father on amphetamines / Her mother hides the pearls / Reach out into darkness / And find my little girl." Adam's poignant cover of Oasis' "Wonderwall" adds a new dimension to the song with its slowed-down gait that gives new emphasis and agony to

the beautiful song.

"Avalanche" finds Adams in a Jackson Browne state of mind. Piano and tapping drums accompany his words, "I found your photograph in a cardboard box in a magazine / I can't remember you, remember us or anything / I taught you how to feel, but you just feel numb."

Although a bit more full sounding than Pt. 1, Pt. 2 continues with the same melancholy themes and sounds as its sister EP.

Opening the disc is "My Blue lanhattan, ' a song that feels though it is a dusted off remnant of a 1920s piano bar. Jazzy piano progressions and Adams' interchange of bluesy croons and soft vocals contribute a distinctive flavor to this song.





Jet's new album is influenced by rock and roll's greatest artists, including The Beatles and The Rolling Stones.

The broken-hearted desolation of



"Please Do Not Let Me Go," carries the slight country feel Adams is noted for with the whine and twang of a background guitar. pleads, Adams "Please do not let me go" in vain as he remembers a "Red suitcase full of clothes 1 Washed up on a shore of memories.

"I See Monsters," has lovely guitar working that

Photo courtesy of mtv.com Ryan Adams has distanced himself from the alt-country style.

grounds the song from the dream-like elevation of its lyrics. "Colors inside you head go spinning round / Like a ferris wheel / Exploding and falling to the ground," sings Adams with ghostly phantasmagoria.

The collection of songs on these two EPs gives new depth and credibility to Adams as an artist. It is ironic that they were originally shelved by the record company as "not his best work" in favor of the hard sound of Rock N Roll. Adams has the last laugh, however, proving he can twang, he can rock and, with Love Is Hell, he can mope with the best of them.

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INTERVIEW

15 minutes with Brian from Brand New

Brian Lane plays drums for the band Brand New whose latest album Deja Entendu was named one of the top 40 albums of the year by Spin Magazine

By BRIAN FOY Scene Music Critic

How'd you guys come up with the name "Brand New"?

It was no real weird thing, my friend and I were writing songs for a band and he named the band "Brand New" after a Beastie Boys song. He left and I took the name, there is no real story behind it. You are known for touring like madmen. Is there a reason you tour so much?

We love touring in a lot of ways. Touring sucks in a lot of ways too, but at the same time that is how we all met each other in the Long Island scene in

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Brian Lane

Musician

general. We grew up listening to music and that's the only way to do it. That is the only way to get your core fans and build a bigger fan base and get bigger gradually instead of being on TV and shooting to the top. If that happens, you shoot straight back down to the bottom. What's the best part about playing on the road?

The best part is seeing shows get better and better. The best part is having kids sing along. The best part is seeing you have real fans. That's such great satisfaction knowing you finally accomplished something.

What's the song writing process like for you guys?

The song writing process is weird because we don't have a song writing process. It's more like we have a lot of ideas and we go in the studio. For this record, we went to the studio and had three songs written. We didn't have any real pre-production or anything like that we just threw together ideas. It's how it worked. We rented out a space for a month and we're going to write

because we have off for a month. We didn't talk to each other for three weeks and then went in for two days. When we came into the studio finally, everyone came in with different ideas, learned the songs and jammed. We thrive on panicking and don't write lyrics until ten minutes before recording, the same thing with all of us and our instruments.

If you could have dinner with anyone dead or alive, who would it be?

It's not that elegant or anything, but Dave Grohl. I love Dave Grohl and I think anything he touches turns into gold. I like to ask him a lot of questions about playing drums, about playing guitar, about doing it right. He did everything right.

Who would you consider your influences?

We all had different influences growing up which is weird, but I guess is a good thing. I grew up on Fatwreck bands like NOFX and Diesel Boy and all that crap. I don't know whv.

Would say that has shaped your style?

I think that definitely did in a lot of ways. Then when we started touring together and living in a van it worked out where we were all integrated parts of our influences growing up. What's your favorite episode of *The Simpsons*?

I've been slacking on it because I got The Family Guy DVDs and haven't been watching The Simpsons as much since I bought that. What's your favorite episode of The

Family Guy? There is a really good one where Brian has a coke problem and moves to

L.A. That's a really good one because it's a two-part episode too and he has to get clean. It's good because he tries to make it as an actor and lies to his familv.



The "Hot Band" Brand New has been making headlines and garnering critical acclaim with its latest album, Deja Entendu.

growing up?

Tetris. Always Tetris

In RollingStone's "Hot Issue" you were named "Hot Band." Do you feel any pressure considering the last band with that distinction was Coldplay?

There's a lot of pressure, but at the same time you really dwell on it because you're going to want to kill yourself and we're going to go in the studio and not do anything. Just make music that you want to make and that you have fun playing and hopefully everything will work out from there. The main goal that we have making records or music in general is to write a good record not to write a good song. In ten years I want to be able to listen to all the records we did and play them all the way through.

Where do you want to be as a band five years from now?

I don't look to tomorrow. I don't even know what's going to happen tonight. Everything that we've been doing has

What was your favorite video game far surpassed anything we thought would be going on. If it all ended tomorrow, we'd all be so happy. Where do we see ourselves? Hopefully doing the same we're doing now.

If you weren't in Brand New, what would you be doing now?

Probably producing, hopefully producing, but probably still taking out the garbage at the studio if I couldn't produce.

Any words of wisdom or things you've learned?

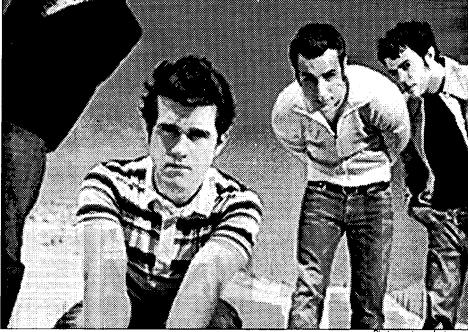
It's not going to be that deep, but it's what I was saying before: never dwell on anything you do. I don't regret anything we've done. None of us do because there is no point in regretting anything you've done because you've far surpassed anything you should have done. Live by the day and that's all we do.

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Brand New is known for touring incessantly, which drummer Brian Lane claims is the best way to build a large base of loyal fans.



Brand New's drummer, Brian Lane, counts NOFX and Diesel Boy as early influences and admires Dave Grohl of Nirvana and Foo Fighters fame.

NCAA BASKETBALL No. 6 Louisville cruises by No. 5 Cincinnati 93-66

Bearcats suffer first loss of 2003-04 season

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Taquan Dean scored 21 points and Francisco Garcia added 19 for No. 5 Louisville in a 93-66 victory over sixth-ranked and previously unbeaten Cincinnati on Wednesday night, the Cardinals' 14th straight victory

Luke Whitehead had 18 points and eight rebounds as the Cardinals (14-1, 5-0 Conference USA) beat the Bearcats for the fourth time in the last six meetings.

Dean went 7-of-14 from the field, including 5-of-10 from 3point range despite playing with a pulled groin.

Louisville's victory margin matched the worst in Cincinnati coach Bob Huggins' 15 seasons there. The Bearcats lost to North Carolina 90-63 in 1993.

Jason Maxiell scored 14 to lead Cincinnati (13-1, 4-1), one of three undefeated teams in Division I coming into the game, which scored only 26 points in

the second half. The Cardinals went 29-of-42 from the free throw line, while Cincinnati was 12-of-26.

Louisville outrebounded Cincinnati 42-38 and generated 19 points off the Bearcats' season-high 19 turnovers.

Both teams speeded up the game from the start with their trademark fullcourt pressure. But neither defense was effective early as the Bearcats started 4-of-6 from the field and the Cardinals were 4-of-7.

Tony Bobbitt's 3-pointer with 15:42 left in the first half started a 9-0 Bearcats' run that gave Cincinnati a 19-12 lead.

Garcia, held without a field goal in the first 8 minutes, scored nine points during Louisville's 13-2 run to answer.

The Cardinals pushed the lead to five, but the Bearcats retook the lead at 33-31 on Bobbitt's 3-pointer in front of the Louisville bench with 5:41

While the Hawks kept their after the scandal there last trailed by as many as 22 and season, recorded his 11th douto two field goals the rest of perfect streak alive, West lost lost their second straight the half in taking a 44-40 lead. hle-double of the season and this coming four days after an fans and sent some of the se West was coming off a 12- helped the Bulldogs (15-1, 4-1 86-72 loss at Vanderbilt. The Bearcats hadn't trailed at out crowd toward the exits.

halftime or in the second half of any game this season.

Cincinnati committed seven turnovers and nine fouls in the first 9:25 of the second half, enabling Louisville to open an 11-point lead. The Cardinals, shooting 72 percent from the free throw line this season, hit seven of their first 12 free throws in the second half and led 63-52 after Kendall Dartez made two with 10:35 left. No. 3 St. Joseph's 92,

Massachusetts 67

The television cameras swarmed on Hawk Hill this week, and Saint Joseph's students returned from a winter break all wanting a piece of their undefeated team. The Hawks weren't going to

let the hoopla affect their play with a team record in sight.

"This team is pretty level-headed," coach Phil Martelli said. "They're calm about things. They haven't let a lot of

this get to them." Pat Carroll scored a season-high 20 points, helping

No. 3 Saint Joseph's match the longest winning streak in school history with a victory againsť

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Massachusetts Delonte West added 19 points and Jameer Nelson had 13 for the Hawks, who are 16-0 (6-0 Atlantic 10) for the first time ever and matched the winning streak set by the 1964-65 team coached by Jack Ramsay.

The Hawks, who have their highest ranking in the polls since they were No. 3 in 1966, can break the record Saturday with a victory at St. Bonaventure.

'The 16 wins is significant when we think of the people that have played here and coached here," Martelli said. "I will reinforce it tomorrow when we begin our preparation for Bonaventure that it's OK in this sense to be selfish, to want this record for yourself."

Only the Hawks and No. 2 Stanford (14-0) remain undefeated in Division I.

for-12, 3-for-3 from 3-point range and 6-for-6 from the free throw line effort in a win Saturday at Xavier. Against Massachusetts, West made his first seven shots from the field including two 3s — before missing a 3-point attempt 6 1/2 minutes into the second half.

It was his first miss since his final shot against Fordham on Jan. 13.

West said after the Xavier game he wasn't aware of the streak. He said he was too aware against the Minutemen. "I think a couple of times I got gun-shy in the first half," West said. "Obviously, I let it go. You're not always going to be perfect. I was actually relieved when I missed a shot.

West said it was hard not to think of an undefeated regular season and a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

"Those thoughts are always on your mind when you're on a roll like we are," he said. "What's important for us to continue to do what we've been doing all season and look at the next challenge.'

The Hawks celebrated their No. 3 ranking with — what else? — 3s. They hit five straight to open the game, getting three from Carroll, and one each from West and Nelson.

Carroll added two more 3s for 17 points in the half and the Hawks went 9-for-18 from 3-point range in taking a 50-23 lead.

Carroll has struggled with his shot and his confidence this season, but making his last two 3-pointers against Xavier game him a needed boost.

No. 19 Mississippi State 79, No. 16 Florida 68

If it's still a secret, it won't be for long. Mississippi State is good — very good — and its star player, Lawrence Roberts, is right up there with the best in the nation.

Roberts was as dominating as his team, finishing with 21 points and 14 rebounds to lead the 19th-ranked Bulldogs to a victory over No. 17 Florida.

"He's a great, great player," Florida coach Billy Donovan said. "As good as there is in this league, as good as there is in the country."

Roberts, the 6-foot-9 forward This team is mature enough Anthony Roberson had 20 who transferred from Baylor left in the half. to stay focused," Nelson said. points to lead the Gators, who The Cardinals held Cincinnati

Southeastern Conference) to the most impressive win yet in what is shaping up to be a special season.

Their only loss so far was a one-point heartbreaker to Kentucky last Wednesday on a last-second shot. The Bulldogs briefly led that game after trailing by 16 in the second half.

"We just go out there and play, and know we can com-pete with any team," Roberts said.

Mississippi State posted its first win in Gainesville since its Final Four season, 1995-96. and handed Florida (11-4, 2-2) its first double-digit loss at home since 1999, the year before the Gators made it to the national finals.

"It was pretty much a frustrating game from start to finish," Florida forward Matt Walsh said.

The Gators didn't have anyone who could come close to shutting down Roberts, a twotime all-conference player in the Big 12 who is making a bid to win the same honors in the SEC this year.

The Bulldogs went ahead by double digits midway through the first half and never saw the lead fall below 10.

Not counting his handful of thundering dunks, Roberts' signature play came with 7:19 left, when he made a spinning, twisting, underhanded shot off the glass for a 68-50 lead. The shot silenced the crowd.

On the next possession, Roberson threw a sloppy pass that Timmy Bowers stole in stride for a dunk. It brought a smattering of boos from the

Louisville's Luke Whitehead dunks over Cincinnati's defense during the first half of play of the Cardinal's 93-66 win.



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NBA

Cavs trade Miles to Blazers

McInnis will take over point for James

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Darius Miles received another wake-up call: He got traded to Portland.

Miles, who was fined by the Cavaliers for oversleeping and skipping a practice earlier this week, was dealt Wednesday to the Trail Blazers for point guard Jeff McInnis and center Ruben Boumtje-Boumtje.

Miles has been a disappointment in his 1 1/2 seasons with Cleveland, which acquired him before last season in a deal that sent guard Andre Miller to the Los Angeles Clippers.

The 22-year-old Miles, who jumped straight from high school to the NBA in 2000, was averaging 8.9 points in 24

per minutes game. He has shown breathtaking flashes of skill, but has been plagued by inconsistency, and first-year Cleveland coach Paul Silas was reluctant to play him.

Miles will get a

fresh start with the disappointing Blazers, who might not be done turning over their roster.

Portland general manager John Nash said the trade had been in the works for about a week, but talks had been on and off between the teams for the past year.

"We knew that Cleveland was interested in a point guard, and we knew they'd been interested in Jeff for several months," said Nash, who may still trade Rasheed Wallace.

After playing just eight minutes Saturday in Utah in the final game of Cleveland's road trip and with trade rumors about him circulating, Miles missed practice on Monday, saying he had forgotten to set his "[Miles is] a very

athletic player. He

can get up and

down the floor."

Maurice Cheeks

Portland coach

alarm clock. The club was so concerned about Miles' unexplained absence that they sent the police to his house to make sure he was safe.

Miles was fined by the Cavs, but the lanky 6foot-9 swingman played 17 minutes in Monday's win over Seattle. Miles, who will be a free agent after this season, is making \$4.1 million in the final year of his contract.

The Blazers like Miles' versatility and think a change of scenery may bring out his best.

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JIm Paxson Cavs general manager

> where we have had a hard time doing that. Coming here, he has a new look, where he can start all over. We all see the potential in him.'

> McInnis, 29, will give Cleveland some depth at point guard and another veteran to surround rookie star LeBron James.

McInnis is averaging 11.9 points and 5.0 assists in 32.5 minutes per game, but had his playing time reduced recently when Derek Anderson returned from the injured list. "Jeff is one of those guys

who will step in and do a good job for us," said Cavs general manager Jim Paxson, who doesn't expect McInnis and Boumtje-Boumtje to be available for Thursday's game

against Sacramento.

Paxson said the main reason to get McInnis was to make things easier for 6-foot-8 the James, who has had to play point guard durstretches ing

this season. McInnis will split time with Kevin Ollie at point, leaving James to play off-guard and small forward.

"We've asked LeBron to do a heck of a lot," Paxson said. "But for him to be most effective, we don't need him bringing the ball up, initiating our offense and having to score points. That's going to take its toll. We needed to get him back to his more natural position.

Paxson said the Cavs didn't want to wait until the offseason to try and add a point guard. They were afraid if they had waited, they wouldn't have been able to get a player of McInnis' quality.

"We feel he is as good a point guard as we were going to get," said Paxson, who had been interested in signing McInnis two years ago as a free agent.

McInnis is making \$3.3 million this season, and Paxson said the guard's contract is partially protected for next season and would be guaranteed if he's on Cleveland's roster on July 1.

Boumtje-Boumtje, 25, has been playing less than three minutes per game. He was on the injured list most of last season.

Bryant hearing will be closed to public

Case will continue on Friday afternoon

Associated Press

DENVER - Courtroom arguments over whether Kobe Bryant's accuser has given up her medical privacy rights will be closed to the public, the judge ruled Wednesday.

A hearing is scheduled for Friday to determine whether Bryant's attorneys can prove the 19-year-old woman has given up her privacy rights by talking about her medical condition and treatment with others.

Judge Terry Ruckriegle said evidence and testimony likely to be presented during the hearing would bring up embarrassing information that would be disseminated around the world due to the intense media interest in the case against the Los Angeles Lakers star.

Chris Beall, an attorney representing several media organizations including The Associated Press, said his clients had not yet determined whether to file a petition with the state Supreme Court to review the ruling.

Bryant faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation if convicted of sexual assault. He has said he had consensual sex with the woman, a former employee of a mountain resort where he stayed June 30.

Other parts of Friday's hearing are expected to remain open.

The judge is expected to hear arguments on whether the records of a rape crisis center should remain private. An employee with the center sat in during a police interview of the woman.

The judge also is expected to hear arguments over the defense's role in evidence testing and a report from prosecutors about who ordered or received T-shirts mocking Bryant as a "cheater."

James will likely miss Kings game

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — LeBron James shot baskets during practice Wednesday, but coach Paul Silas said the Cavaliers' rookie isn't ready to play and will likely miss his second straight game due to a sprained right ankle.

'Chances are slim," Silas said when asked if he expects James to be available for

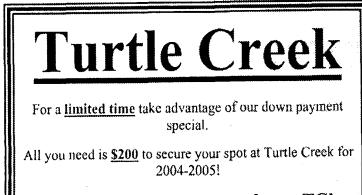
Cleveland's game against Sacramento on Thursday. "But I wouldn't put it past him.

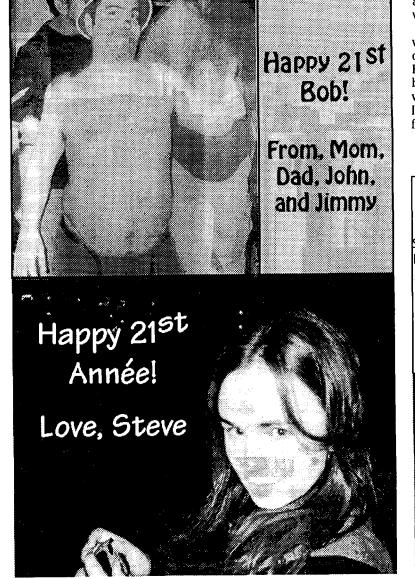
James, who sat out Tuesday's win over Seattle, was favoring his right ankle Wednesday. Cleveland's leading scorer has not run on the ankle since injuring it in a game at Utah on Jan. 17.

James was not available for comment.

Before Tuesday's game, James said he was going to be cautious with the injury and not come back until it was 100 percent.

James rolled his ankle when he stepped on the foot of Utah forward Andrei Kirilenko late in regulation, but the Cavs won in overtime without him and Zydrunas Ilgauskas, who was ejected for fighting.





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known as the Common Lectionary, a series of books containing a cycle of readings from the bible. It was developed after the reforms called for by the Second Vatican Council for use in worship services and adopted by dozens of Protestant denominations as well as the Roman Catholic Church. I find it fascinating to imagine most of the world's Christians worshipping in churches of all shapes and sizes, with music both contemporary or ancient, somewhere around the world and all of them, at various points through out the mass or service, taking in the same words proclaimed from the Holy scriptures. As I reflect on this reality in the light of this week's observation of Christian Unity Week, it becomes clear

that, whether we are aware of it or not on a daily basis, most Christians in the world share that which is most fundamental to practicing our faith: the Word of God. As Christians, we believe that God desires to be in relationship with each of us and together as a people. We believe that God communicates that message to us through the Word who took human form in the person of Jesus Christ. So if God has a message for us and the majority of Christians are hearing this message each week from our pews around the globe, then only one question remains: Are we heeding the message?

The scripture that serves as the basis of reflection of your love. for Christian Unity Week this year is John 14: 23-31. Amen In this reading, Jesus, preparing his disciples for his imminent departure, speaks these familiar words to The Prayer of the them, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to yo Fifth World Conference on With those words, Jesus sums up for us his message to Faith and Order us then and now. Was it possible for the disciples who World Council of Churches heard Jesus' words to fully grasp the message he was giving to the them - to understand the promise he made them and act on it? Maybe even more important to our world now, Jesus delivers that same message to his disciples today. But like his followers then, are we only able to hear the words without heeding the message? Is the Christian Church living like a people promised the gift of peace by God? Peace is a prerequisite to the work of unity. The issues debated today by Christian scholars working toward unity are important ones that require continued dialogue and study. The list of joint statements issued by churches from around Christendom declaring agreement on wide-ranging topics is long and detailed. But that's where we are today. It's certainly not where we started. The causes of disunion in the Church most often trace back to conflicts having little to do with theology. Many of the original divisions in the Christian Church have more to do with politics and power than with practices in the pews. So where does that leave us? Back at the beginning, with the gift of peace Jesus made to his disciples. The peace Jesus promises doesn't only have to do with an end to war, although we certainly need that. The peace Jesus gives us is a peace that comes from broken hearts healed, from families preserved and from people of faith united. Unity and the peace that fosters it is ours to accept. God has spoken his word. God's message is clear. What remains uncertain is our commitment to reach out and receive the gift. In the first verses of John 14:23-31, Jesus tells the disciples, ""Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me." Do we hear the words? Do we heed the message?

Christian Unity Hear the words Heed the message

by Frank Santoni Director, Peer Ministry & Ecumenical Initiatives

This Sunday, those of us who are Roman Catholic will sit in church and listen to the first few lines from the Gospel of Luke. We'll hear about how Jesus went to the synagogue to read from the Torah and by doing so fulfilled the very words he proclaimed. Those of us who are Lutheran will hear the same story. So will the Methodists. Episcopalians. And Presbyterians, too. And although this week happens to be the one observed worldwide as a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, what will happen on Sunday is not a choreographed event designed to celebrate that fact. In fact, what will happen this Sunday is nothing out of the ordinary. It happens every Sunday. In the majority of Christian churches around the world, on most Sundays of the year, Christians of mainline protestant denominations along with Roman Catholics read and hear the same exact texts from the Bible.

What I did not realize until recently is that it's been that way for more than 20 years thanks to what's

Prayer for Christian Unity O God, holy and eternal Trinity, we pray for your Church in the world. Sanctify its life; renew its worship; empower its witness; heal its divisions; make visible its unity. Lead us, with all our brothers and sisters, toward communion in faith, life and witness so that, united in one body by the ONE Spirit, we may together witness to the perfect unity



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Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m. Rev. John Pearson, c.s.c

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Rev. John Pearson, c.s.c 11:45 p.m. Rev. Paul Doyle, c.s.c

around campus (every Sunday)

7:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m. MBA Mass Spanish Mass Mendoza COB St. Edward's Hall Chapel Faculty Lounge 5:00 p.m. Law School Mass Law School Commons

Sunday's Scripture Readings

1st: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 **2nd:** 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 **Gospel:** Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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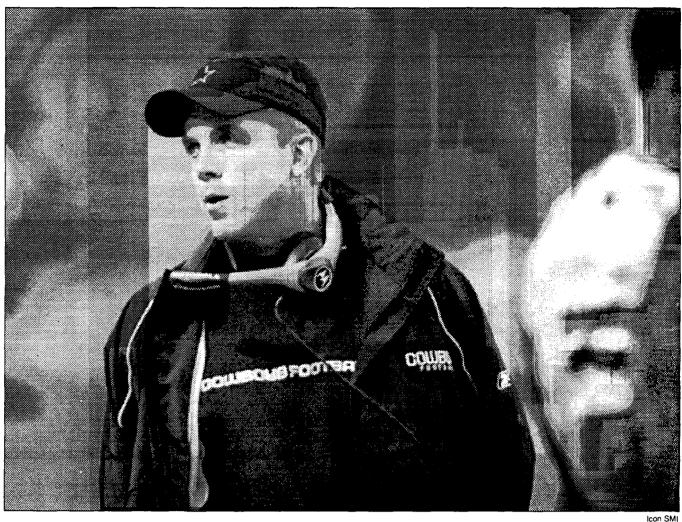
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NFL



Sean Payton will remain in his current position as assistant coach of the Dallas Cowboys, according to the team's Web site. This news follows reports of a head coaching position offer from the Oakland Raiders.

Payton opts to remain with Cowboys

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Sean Payton is staying with the Dallas Cowboys, making him the second high-ranking assistant to remain with the team after looking into a head-coaching job elsewhere.

The Cowboys said on their Web site Wednesday that Payton has decided to stay with the team rather than become coach of the Oakland Raiders. In California, Raiders owner Al Davis said the job was never offered, despite widespread reports Tuesday that Payton had agreed to a deal. "I don't think Sean Payton turned down the job because Sean Payton was never offered the job," Davis said in a rare interview. "Sean Payton has a lot of good credentials, but I don't know if that's the direction we're going."

Regardless, it means Bill Parcells will retain a key member of his offensive coaching staff. He'd already gotten defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer to stay after he received more money and added years to remain in Dallas rather than continue pursuing the coaching job at the University of Nebraska. It wasn't immediately known whether Payton, Parcells' assistant head coach and quarterbacks coach, received a raise or an extension. Cowboys owner Jerry Jones was traveling back from the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Ala., and did not immediately return a telephone message.

Payton and Cowboys offensive coordinator Maurice Carthon were among the candidates to replace fired Raiders coach Bill Callahan, who eventually took the Nebraska job. Payton was the first person invited back to Oakland for a second interview.

The 40-year-old Payton, who would have become the league's youngest head coach, fit Davis' profile of hiring coordinators with offensive minds who don't have previous head-coaching experience. Ilis last two hires were Callahan and Jon Gruden, two of Payton's mentors.

Payton made his mark during four years with the New York Giants, especially while calling plays during their Super Bowl season in 2000. He had no ties to Parcells until being hired last January. He and Carthon help Parcells with the play calling.

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NHL Philadelphia at New York 7:30 p.m., ESPN

Diamondbacks' Orosco retires after 24 seasons

IN BRIEF

Jesse Orosco had enough.

After a record-setting career, the 46-year-old left-hander told the Arizona Diamondbacks on Wednesday that he had decided to retire after 24 major league seasons.

"To take it a quarter-century — I never imagined that," Orosco said during a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "It's a sad day that I have to call it quits. But it's a great day, too, for the fact I fulfilled my dream."

Orosco, who turns 47 on April 21, was the oldest player in the major leagues last season. He began his career with the New York Mets in 1979 — some current major leaguers weren't even born yet — and set big league records with 1,252 games pitched and 1,248 relief appearances.

He went 87-80 with 144 saves and a career ERA of 3.16 with nine

teams. His greatest moment was when he struck out Boston's Marty Barrett to end Game 7 of the 1986 World Series.

Roddick advances in Open

His powerful serve was working so well, Andy Roddick dispensed with the fancy stuff.

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Smacking a total of 20 aces, including one at a tournament-high 140 mph, Roddick simply overwhelmed Bohdan Ulihrach 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 Wednesday in 73 minutes to reach the Australian Open's third round.

"My serve felt great today," said the top-seeded Roddick, who led the tour in aces last season. "So obviously I didn't use so many of the kicks, too many of the slices, because I felt like I was hitting my big one very well."

He won 93 percent of points on his

first serve and set up a third-round match against friend and countryman Taylor Dent, who lost his serve 10 times but toughed out a 3-6, 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (4), 7-5 victory over Juan Ignacio Chela.

Dent, who compiled 83 winners and 77 unforced errors, screamed "Yeah!" when Chela's backhand volley hit the net on match point.

"I got by with smoke and mirrors, somehow," Dent said. "I guess tomorrow I'll be happy about it. I'm just hoping that I get better as the tournament goes on."

One player who always seems to be at his best at the year's first major is Andre Agassi.

He extended his Australian Open winning streak to 23 matches including titles in 2000, 2001 and last year — by beating Czech teen Tomas Berdych 6-0, 6-2, 6-4.

"Today felt really good. I think there was a lot of quality ball-striking going on, from both sides," the fourth-seeded Agassi said.

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resentatives for the evening's event.

Kim Carpenter of the women's soccer team, Devon Prescod and Greg Martin of the men's soccer team, Aaron Gill and Bob Globke of the hockey team, Bob Morton of the football team, Kristin Kinder of the volleyball team and Liz Doyle of the cheerleading squad participated in the event, which Vater hopes will become an annual tradition. The athletes answered questions about becoming involved in their sports, choosing to attend Notre Dame, their activities outside of athletics and their plans for the future. They also discussed applying the lessons learned on the field to situations in everyday life.

"You get a chance to go to Notre Dame, it's an opportunity you can't pass up," Martin said. "Getting to put on an Irish jersey is just another aspect of it.'

"I've been a Notre Dame fan in general and in football since I was about four years old," Morton

said. remember watching games with Pop and my grandfather, the gold hats and the tradition — it's not just the athletics and the academics but the tradition that goes along with it."

Who

knows about hockey in Indiana?" Gill asked rhetorically. "Turns out, not too many people.

"We saw it as the opportunity to build a program," his teammate Globke said. Globke was selected in the second round of the draft, and the team is ranked in the nation's top 15.

The captains have proven themselves to be leaders outside of athletics as well.

"Our captains are responsible for the creative aspect of cheerleading — our practices are run by the creative minds behind the team," Doyle said.

The cheerleaders also schedule appearances in Catholic grade schools, children's hospitals and day-care centers to coincide with road trips.

Others, such as Martin, said

For seniors like Martin, the Notre Dame experience is almost over and some senior captains are unsure of what they will do after graduation.

"It's a tough decision," Martin said when asked about future plans. Martin and Prescod are considering traveling to Africa to play soccer and work as AIDS/HIV educators. They hope to "find a way to stay active and stay involved in the community,³ said Martin.

Carpenter plans to attend medical school - her lifelong goal — after graduation.

"I'll be taking a lot from my experience here," she said. 'You can't let individual desires get in the way when you've got a team to look out for — the same is true in medicine."

Kinder said that the most important goal of a captain is "to get the most out of every individual on a team." She said she is considering playing professional beach volleyball and is looking into making an Olympic appearance, but hopes to go into the field of public health.

Each athlete had a memory of beginning what would be a lifelong passion - why he or she began playing the sport that "We wanted to became a way of

life. "I started playing football durfreshman ing. year [of high school] because I was too big to play soccer," said Morton. "I stuck with it, and now it's a big part of my life.'

'My old man put me on skates," said

Globke, who initially disliked skating and the cold weather. "But I kind of started to like it and with four little brothers, I had fun shooting pucks at them.'

Kinder had the unique experience of co-captaining the volleyball team with her twin sister.

"Debbie [Brown], our coach, is a big name in [our home state of] California," Kinder said. "She played there, her jerseys are retired ... having the opportunity to play with her and my sister was amazing.

Prescod, Martin and Carpenter were able to share similar stories about learning to play soccer, with Prescod and Carpenter following -and excelling - in the footsteps of older siblings.

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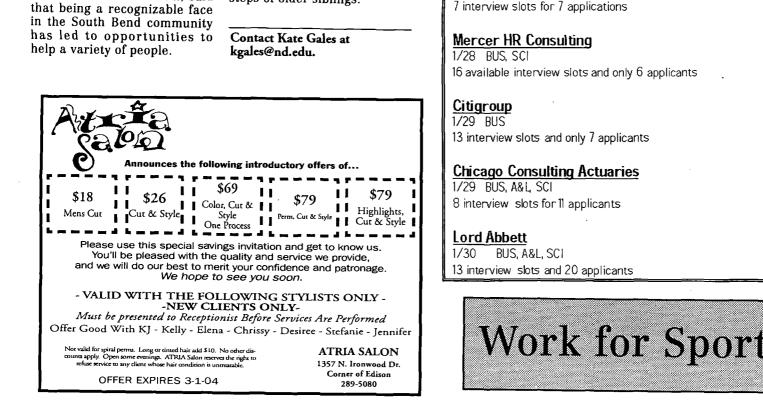
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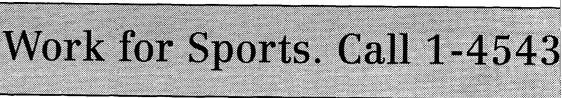
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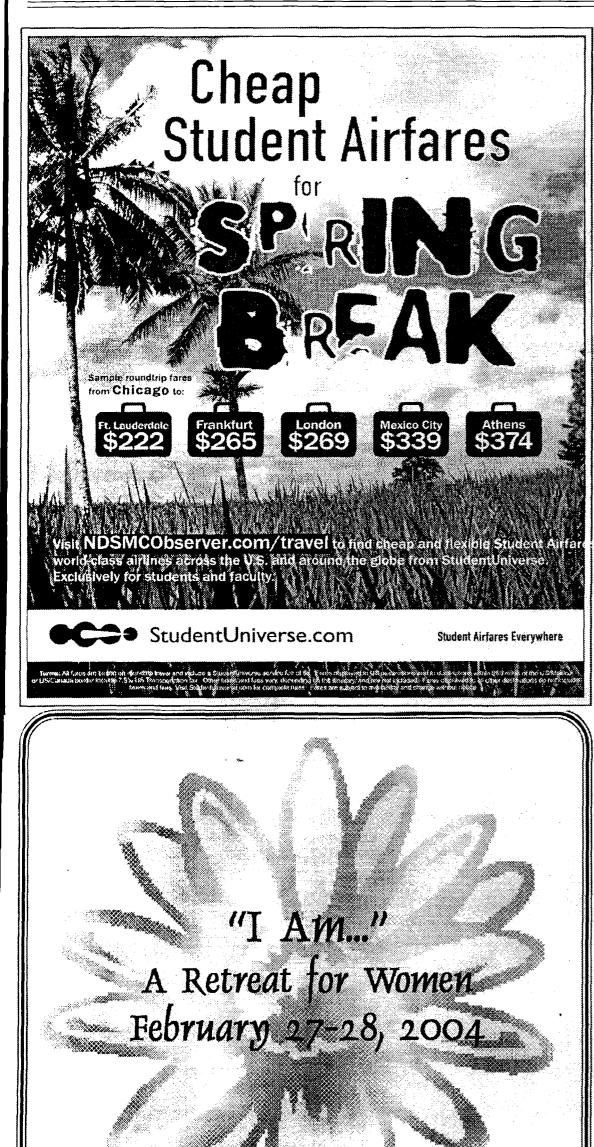
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TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

Irish guard Megan Duffy drives past a Wisconsin defender during a key 82-64 victory earlier in the season. Duffy had a 'ame-high six assists in Wednesday's contest against 'racuse.

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Muffet McGraw

Irish coach

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rebounds in 28 minutes. It was Batteast's fourth straight double-double and seventh of the year. Ten of Notre Dame's 12 players that dressed scored points against

S y r a c u s e , including 10 off the bench from C o u r t n e y L a V e r e . Le'Tania Severe added six points, six rebounds and five assists

Notre Dame Muffet jumped out to an 18-8 lead, but was up only six with less than three minutes left in the first half. But the Irish fin-

first half. But the Irish finished the half strong by doubling that lead to 28-16 at the intermission.

Notre Dame's lead reached 17 at 38-21 four minutes into the second half and kept growing from there. The Irish led by 20 points with 11 minutes remaining and 26 at the four minute mark before scoring six points in the last 2:30 to win by 29. win for us."

Syracuse coach Keith Cieplicki was impressed with the way Notre Dame performed.

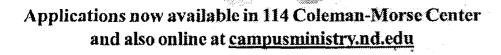
"Notre Dame played well. Obviously they came on in the second half," Cieplicki said. "We just didn't make shots." Notre Dame played a man-

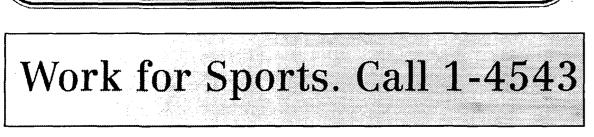
to-man defense for most of the game and contained reigning **Big East Player** of the Week Julie McBride to a horrendous 2-ofshooting, 15 including missing all six of her 3-point attempts. She finished with only eight points and had five turnovers her-

Chineze Nwagbo led the Orangewomen with 13 points on 6-of-11 shooting and added six rebounds.

"We worked on [man-toman defense] a lot during the last couple of days' and we played a very smart game defensively," McGraw said. "We really talked well and guarded the 3-point shooting well and forced them to take contested 3s."

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The large margin of victory may have been a bit surprising considering Syracuse was coming off a win over Big East power Rutgers a few days earlier.

"It was good because [Syracuse] just beat Rutgers and they were playing well," McGraw said. "It's just a great The Irish won't have much time to enjoy this win as they face No. 23 Villanova (13-3) (3-2) Saturday at the Joyce Center at noon.

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backs, three spots behind current Irish verbal commitment Justin Hoskins. Still, Lemming believes coaches would like to secure the commitment of a player that, even if it takes time, could contribute.

"Walker could make an impact right away and so could Hoskins," Lemming said. "Hoskins definitely couldn't carry the whole load, but they both have to get bigger. Coaches could get a lot out of either of them as spot runners."

If Walker commits, he will join the likes of Hoskins, Ryan Grant and Travis Thomas in a backfield that coaches have indicated could be open for competition.

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pretty darn good game,"

Bellina said. "We have a solid group of people [play-

ing] well. It's coming togeth-

Katie Boyce played impres-

sively for the Belles, scoring

10 points on 4 of 8 shooting,

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Despite playing well in

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coach Dave Poulin can go shopping at Martin's on the weekends in relative anonymity

True, the Irish currently only sit in seventh-place in the CCHA, with 18 points in 16 games. Their 8-6-2 conference record and 12-7-3 records overall are good, yet not great. But despite what looks like mediocrity, the Irish have been anything but.

Quick, name three members of the Notre Dame hockey team. Can't do it? Well, don't worry, fans in Chestnut Hill, Mass., Orono, Maine and Madison, Wisc. probably couldn't either.

They should be able to now, though, as the Irish have already beaten hockey powerhouses Boston College, Maine and Wisconsin this season. Each team was ranked in the top five at the time, and each win came on the road, with two of those three wins ending in shutouts

Not bad for a team that wasn't even picked to finish in the top six in their conference's preseason poll.

Despite playing in the Joyce Center, an arena better suited to host Senior Citizens' Bingo Night than a hockey game, the Irish have quietly crept up on the rest of the CCHA elite over the past few years.

Notre Dame has advanced to the Super Six three of the past four years, twice beating higher-ranked opponents on the road in the first round to do so. True, the Irish have never won a game at the Joe Louis Arena in Detroit during the CCHA Championships, but they have still made the rest of the conference take notice that they are no longer a pushover.

Despite having to compete with powerhouses like

Michigan and Michigan State for recruits, the Irish have continued to put together competitive squads year after year, and this year hit paydirt with one of their best freshman classes ever

Goaltender David Brown and defenseman Wes O'Neill are both listed among the top three collegians at their position in the NHL Central Scouting List for the 2004 NHL Draft. And a whole slew of freshman forwards - Michael Bartlett. Jason Paige and Josh Sciba among them — have come through with pivotal goals at pivotal times for the Irish this year.

Despite a tradition of goaltending mediocrity (the school's record holder in save percentage is an anemic .888), Notre Dame has put together one of the best tandems in the country, which is a big reason for their great start this year.

Brown and junior Morgan Cey are each in the top three overall for both save percentage and goals against average in the CCHA, and Brown is tied for the lead in shutouts with four. Brown and Cey continue to compete with each other for starts, and that can only be a good thing for the Irish down the stretch.

No matter what happens the rest of the season, the Irish have made believers out of college hockey fans nationwide, from Massachusetts to Florida (where the Irish beat then-No. 3 Maine in a Christmas tournament). No longer can teams simply schedule Notre Dame in hopes of getting an easy win.

Despite all the odds this season, the Irish time and time again have shown they can win over all.

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Bellina was her team's inability to get to the freethrow line.

'The main thing is, we didn't get to the free throw line as much as Kalamazoo,' said Bellina. Emily

Pernotto led the Belles with 15 points on 6 of 10 from the field. She con-

nected on 60 percent of her three-point attempts, finish-

"We really did play a pretty darn good Creachbaum had 13 points game. We have a on solid group of people shooting, and [playing] well. It's added four rebounds for coming together." Saint Mary's.

Suzanne Bellina Belles coach

> going into this weekend. They have nine games remaining on their schedule,

respectable record. Coach Bellina talked about consistency when asked about what "The main thing her team was is, we didn't get to taking the free throw line Wednesday's loss into the weekas much as end's Kalamazoo." against Tri-State. "[Our team needs to] keep

Suzanne Bellina Belles coach

Bellina. The Belles are anxious for ing 3 of 5 on the night.

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another opportunity to gain a win and face Tri-State at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. "We are ready to get on

and get after it," said Bellina.

On the other side of the ball, Mary Brown played well for Kalamazoo, with 16 points, eight rebounds and four assists. Kalamazoo moves to 11-6 and 4-3 in the MIAA, and will host Olivet this weekend at 3 p.m.

Contact Bobby Griffin at rgriffi5@nd.edu.

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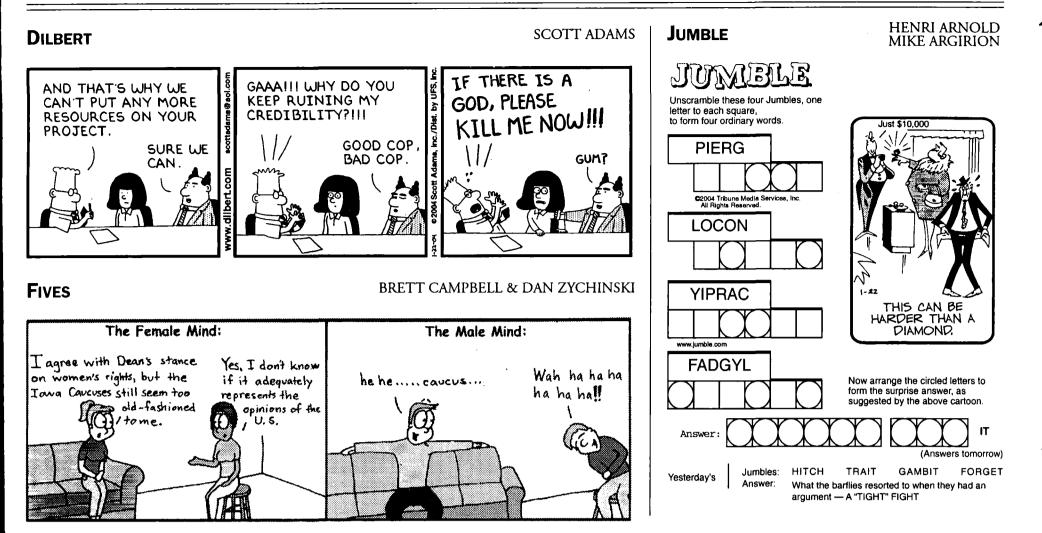
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Celebrities born on this day: Steve Perry, Linda Blair, John Hurt, Bill Bixby, Sam Cooke, Olivia D'Abo, Diane Lane, Graham Kerr, Piper Laurie

Happy Birthday: Don't let your emotional life interfere with your professional advancement this year. If you really want to get ahead, you're going to have to focus on your work. Letting frustrations stand in your way will be detrimental to your advancement. You must deal with issues quickly in order to spare yourself long drawn-out setbacks. This is not the year to vacillate. Your numbers: 6, 11, 24, 35, 39, 40

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will be unpredictable today. Try to stick to yourself so as to avoid confrontations with others. Losses will be likely if you are too eager to risk your hard-earned cash. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Deception is likely. Don't let someone who wants to make you look bad bait you. Stay calm and don't overindulge. Socialize with friends, not co-workers. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Unusual circumstances will arise if you are taking care of other people's affairs. Read the fine print before making decisions. Difficulties will result if you have more than one love interest. **** CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may be taken for granted if you are too willing to give of your own time. Do not take on problems that don't concern you. Lending money to friends or relatives will result in ill feelings. ** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Pleasure trips will be better than expected. You can meet exciting individuals who spark a major interest. Be sure to experience all that is being offered by those around you. ***** VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Watch out for untrustworthy individuals. Do not

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Watch out for untrustworthy individuals. Do not consider joint financial ventures. Approach contracts and agreements with caution. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Romantic opportunities will develop at social functions. Your intuitive intelligence and harmonious nature will attract others. You will do well at games that require mental skill. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Secret affairs will get out of hand, causing personal problems. Put your efforts into bettering your family situation and surroundings rather than jeopardizing your position. *** SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Property investments will be lucrative.

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't put off what you can accomplish today. You will have difficulty putting your financial picture into perspective. Be careful while traveling. ***



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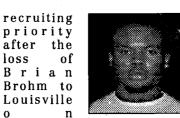
FOOTBALL

Promising running back to announce decision today

Walker will decide between Irish and three other teams

By PAT LEONARD Sports Writer

Georgia running back Darius Walker is Notre Dame's top



Tuesday, Walker according to ESPN recruiting analyst Tom Lemming.

Coach Tyrone Willingham and his staff have received verbal commitments from ten recruits thus far. At 2:45 p.m. today, Willingham will find out if Walker has become the eleventh.

The high school senior from Lawrenceville, Ga. will announce his decision this afternoon from Buford High School in his home state.

Walker, who stands at 5foot-11, 195 pounds, rushed for 1,986 yards and 26 touchdowns as the feature running back for the state champion **Buford Wolves.**

He has already taken visits to Stanford (Jan. 9), Ohio State (Jan. 16) and Alabama (Jan. 19). Walker has also scheduled a visit to Notre Dame for Jan. 23 and Arkansas for Jan.

30, though his decision could affect the status of those visits.

ESPN reported that Walker's father, former Arkansas player Jimmy Walker, called Notre Dame an early favorite at the beginning of the recruiting process.

Rivals100.com has Walker ranked 18th among running

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Women win big on road against Syracuse



Irish forward Courtney LaVere blocks a Connecticut shot. LaVere scored 10 points off the bench at Syracuse.

By JOE HETTLER Sports Editor

So much for struggling on the road.

After starting the season with a 1-7 record on their opponent's home court, the "We really Irish destroyed played with a lot Syracuse 64-35 Wednesday night at th Manley Fiel House improve to 10-

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conference. "We really played with a lot of confidence," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "I thought we came in with a lot of focus and intensity and we didn't let up because of the way things have been going on the

road. We couldn't afford to.'

The 35 points was the lowest point output Notre Dame has allowed to an opponent this season. The Orangewomen shot a season-low 23.1 percent (12-

of-52), including a dismal 4 of 24 (16.7 percent) from beyond the 3-point arc. Dame Notre shot 46.4 percent from the field on 26-of-56 field goals. The Irish turned the ball over only 11

times and outrebounded Syracuse 47-26.

Notre Dame forward Jacqueline Batteast continued her consistent play, tallying 12 points and 10

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HOCKEY Irish stay below radar

There's no doubt about it. Notre Dame is a football school first and foremost.

Not that there's anything wrong with that, mind you. Over a century of Heisman

Justin Schuver

Trophy winners, a history of some of the top coaches in college foot-

Associate Sports Editor

ball history and more national championships than any other school is certainly reason enough to put football at the pinnacle of the Irish athletic totem pole.

Perhaps it's better that the Irish hockey team isn't on the national radar like their football counterparts. The media has to know what Tyrone Willingham eats for breakfast every day, while hockey

see HOCKEY/page 18

SMC BASKETBALL **Belles fall short in road loss**

Saint Mary's loses 65-61 to Kalamazoo in close contest



ATHLETICS O'Neill holds showcase for athletic team captains

By KATE GALES

dents Michael Vater and Ruben Pena organized an event where students could learn more about the life of a student-athlete. "We wanted to showcase the captains and [illustrate] that they don't just play sports,' said Vater, "but do stuff outside, in the community." With the help of Academic Cabinet Head Chris Tarnacki, the hall staff e-mailed invitations to the teams, asking them to send captains or rep-

By BOBBY GRIFFIN Sports Writer

Saint Mary's lost 65-61 at Kalamazoo Wednesday night despite playing one of its best games of the season. A losing streak that started off being the result of sloppy play now has coach Suzanne Bellina searching for answers.

"We really did play a

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JOHN TOWNSEND/The Observe

Junior Katie Boyce drives past an Illinois College defender in a Dec. 5 game. The Belles beat Kalamazoo 65-61 Wednesday.

Bringing together talented athletes and interested students, O'Neill Family Hall invited the captains of Notre Dame athletic teams to speak with students and hall residents for the first annual "Night of Captains."

Drawing inspiration from a TV show where former leaders in fields like politics and business as well as sports were interviewed, hall presi-

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