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Economic crisis impacts student job search

Seniors must look harder for full-time employment; some turn to volunteering

By ROBERT SINGER
Assistant News Editor

About 24 percent of Notre Dame graduates will still be seeking employment following the ceremony in May — doubling the 12 percent of the class of 2008 who were in limbo after graduation — according to an estimate made by Career Center Director Lee Svete.

When the economy is growing, a typical Notre Dame senior could expect a job offer after interviewing with six to eight companies, but in the current downturn, that number might be 15 to 20, Svete said. However, this number will

probably become more favorable as graduation approaches, as other job candidates give up and companies can more easily identify their needs with a closer start date.

Svete mentioned two reasons for why companies are cutting back.

"They've lost revenue and as a result their budget has been decreased," Svete said. "There's been very little attrition at companies. Senior employees are deciding to stick around at their jobs, causing a chain reaction."

After the financial crisis devastated retirement accounts, many

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Underclassmen look for alternatives to scarce summer jobs, internships

By SARAH MERVOSH
News Writer

Sophomore Carolyn Conley will be spending her summer participating in a paid internship at PNC Bank in Pittsburgh, but said she was "lucky" to receive this position.

"A lot of really talented people really don't have internships for the summer because a lot of companies have scaled back," Conley said. "I definitely think that I was very lucky to get an internship at all let alone a

paid one."

Many underclassmen students have had to adjust expectations and alter plans for the upcoming summer because of the current economy troubles.

Companies have drastically reduced the number of intern positions they offer due to cost cuts within the company, Lee Svete, director of Notre Dame's Career Center, said. Companies that usually take five or six interns can only take one this year, he said.

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Ballard earns ROTC award

By LIZ O'DONNELL
News Writer

Cadet Curtis Ballard has been named as one of this year's recipients of the George C. Marshall Award.

The award, which is a national honor, is given annually to the top cadet from each of the 273 Army ROTC units from throughout the country.



Ballard

With this honor, Cadet Ballard has been selected as Notre Dame's participant in the George C. Marshall ROTC Seminar.

A senior from Steamboat Springs, Colo., Ballard has served as Notre Dame's cadet battalion executive officer this semester.

This position is responsible for coordinating and synchronizing the cadet battalion staff for exercises and events, including a training exercise conducted in Michigan with four other ROTC programs, Lieutenant Colonel Randy Crist, a commander for the Army ROTC program at Notre Dame, said.

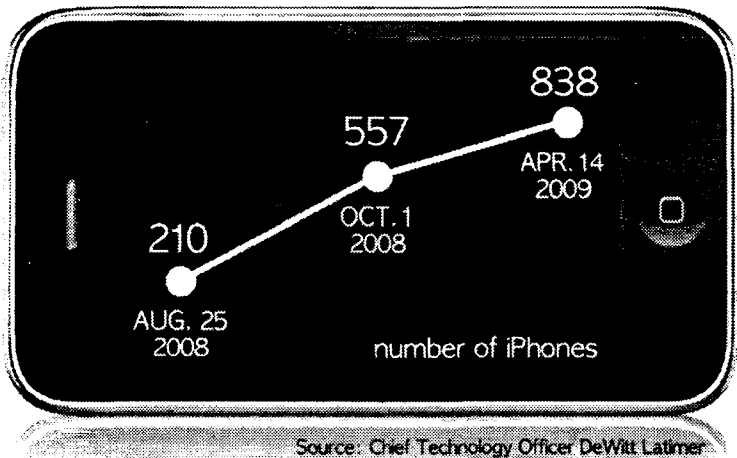
"[Ballard's] ability to form a

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iPhone use increasing on campus

OIT director Latimer attributes sudden rise this semester to Christmas presents

iPhone use on campus



By SARAH MERVOSH
News Writer

iPhone usage on campus has increased fourfold this year, according to the University's Chief Technology Officer, DeWitt Latimer.

This increase is part of a campus-wide move towards mobility, which includes Blackberries and other "smart phones," Latimer said.

"There has been a large explosion of smart phones on campus," Latimer said. "There is a clear move towards mobility. The iPhone has kind of become the poster child for this."

Latimer estimated that as of the beginning of the 2007-08 academic year, the number of iPhones on campus was in the single digits. At the beginning of the 2008-09 academic year, there were 210 iPhones on campus. Currently, there are 838 iPhones on campus.

"I do think a lot of them were probably Christmas presents," he said.

Latimer said the increase of iPhone usage is not going to affect student reception because the Office of Information Technology (OIT) is prepared for the increase.

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Economy impacts developing world

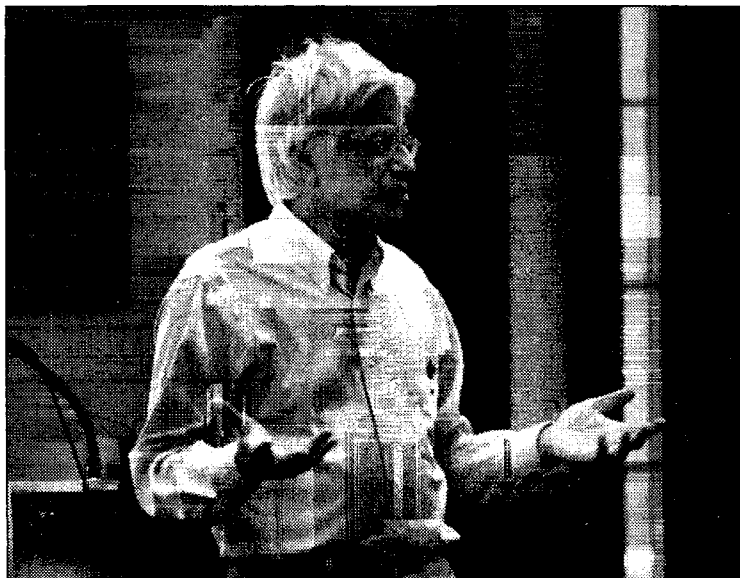
Aid lessens as developed world tries to maintain its standard of living

By MOLLY MADDEN
News Writer

Professors Jeffrey Bergstrand, Father Robert Dowd, C.S.C., and Amitava Dutt discussed the impact of the global economic crisis on developing nations in "The Cost of Crisis: The Outlook for International Development," the final installment of a lecture series sponsored by the Ford Program.

The talk centered on the issue of what the global north can do to help with the problems of the global south that have arisen due to the crisis.

"Development itself, even when things are good, is very difficult," Bergstrand, a professor of finance, said. "The big picture is



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Professor of economics Amitava Dutt speaks at Wednesday's lecture on "The Cost of Crisis: The Outlook for International Development."

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CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Online calendar resolution passed

By LAURA McCRYSTAL
News Writer

Campus Life Council (CLC) unanimously passed a resolution to promote a reevaluation of the online University events calendar at its meeting Wednesday.

Student body president Grant Schmidt, who reported for the task force on technology and study space in dorms, said the resolution has three parts.

"We request a reevaluation of the current agenda.nd.edu," he said.

Schmidt said the task force

would like to eventually see Google calendar or other Google applications and newer technology integrated into the calendar to make it more accessible for students.

The resolution also asks Fr. Mark Poorman, vice president for student affairs, to discuss the calendar situation with the Office of Information and Technology (OIT) Chief Information Officer Gordon Wishon. The final part of the resolution asks that the online calendar become a main concern, Schmidt said.

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INSIDE COLUMN

How to fix Blue-Gold

What do you expect to see on Saturday at the Blue-Gold Game: a scrimmage or a football game? Saturday marks the 80th annual Blue-Gold Game at Notre Dame Stadium. For the second year in a row, the game will be decided by a quirky point system rather than a traditional scoring method.

Alex West

Sports Wire
Editor

Everybody knows that a touchdown is six points, seven with the extra point, and a field goal is three, but what about how many points a team receives for a making a first down? Recording a sack? Stopping for the other team for a 3 and out? And don't even get me started on the points for an "explosive play."

Just two springs ago, the Blue-Gold Game was a competitive football game between a smorgasbord of players, usually a bunch of guys nobody had heard of. Don't believe me? Just ask 2007 Blue-Gold Game MVP, Junior Jabbie.

Two springs ago, the big question was: who's the quarterback? Evan Sharpley, Zach Frazer, Demetrius Jones, and highly recruited, freshmen phenom Jimmy Clausen were all vying for the starting role of quarterback in a post Brady Quinn era. We all know how that story turned out.

But what can we expect to see Saturday? Everyone that attends the Blue-Gold Game will be watching the first team offense play the first team defense on every single drive. Sure, popular back-ups like Dayne Crist and Jonas Gray will find some time on the field on Saturday, but it will be the starters playing the majority of the game. Where's the fun in that?

Now, don't get me wrong, after the way the last five regular season games ended last season, it's clear our starters need as much time together as they can get. But, at the spring game, I want to see the former "blue chip" prospects and the guys buried on the depth chart getting some playing time instead of the same old faces.

Defenders of Charlie Weis' mathematical system will say that last year's game was competitive. Jimmy Clausen ended up throwing a touchdown pass in the waning seconds to Duval Kamara to win the game for the offense. But how can there be a competitive fire for the players to go out and play a game with such different rules for one afternoon?

Tens of thousands of Notre Dame faithful will flock to the stadium on Saturday with many questions in mind. Was the Hawaii Bowl dominance a fluke? Will the new faces on the coaching staff make that much of a difference? Can receiver John Goodman really throw the ball 85 yards? But the question everybody should be asking is: how many points was that last "explosive play" worth?

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
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QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD RIDE ANY ANIMAL AND NOT GET HURT, WHAT WOULD IT BE?



Elise Alonzi

freshman
McGlinn

"A giant cuttlefish, hypothetically."



Rocky Stroud II

freshman
Duncan

"A dolphin, you know why."



MC O'Donnell

freshman
McGlinn

"A giraffe, 'cuz think about how tall you'd be."



James Bishko

freshman
Duncan

"Sarah Palin."

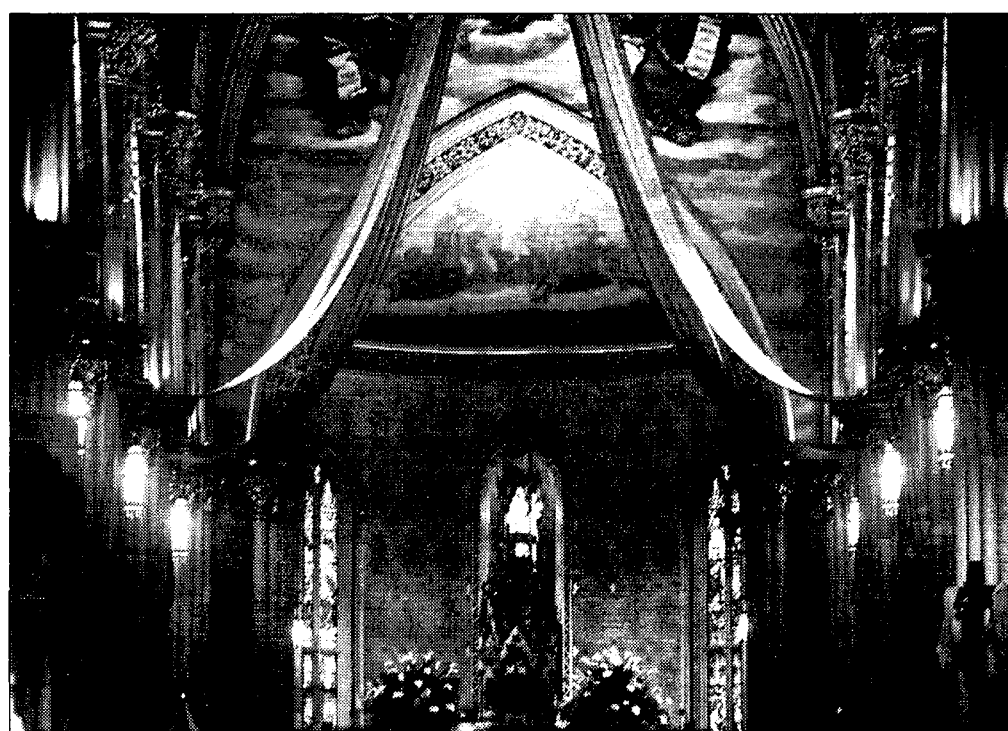


Brandon Porras

sophomore
Duncan

"Miss Piggy."

Have an idea for Question of the Day? E-mail observer.questions@gmail.com



Andrew Weber/The Observer

Gold linens and flowers decorate the basilica in celebration of Easter.

IN BRIEF

An informational meeting for the new Economics Club will take place today at 6:30 p.m. in 209 DeBartolo Hall. All majors are welcome and pizza will be provided.

A documentary made by Notre Dame alums called "The Road to Fondwa" will screen today at 6:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Theatre in LaFortune Student Center. It is free and open to the public.

Dr. Allan C. Carlson, president of Howard Center for Family, will be giving a lecture today at 7:30 p.m. in Room 140 of DeBartolo Hall on his book "Third Ways." He will discuss Family Centered Economics and why it disappeared.

The Creative Writing Program will host a tag team poetry reading today from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore.

The 2009 "The Shirt" unveiling ceremony will begin at 4 p.m. Friday at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore. Shirts will be on sale after the ceremony.

There will be a panel discussion entitled "What direction is Catholic education heading?" on Sunday from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Coleman Morse Center student lounge. Students and faculty are invited to attend and participate in the conversation.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu

OFFBEAT

Man punched in face after removing Cowboys flag

WASHINGTON — Police said a man was punched in the face after grabbing a Dallas Cowboys flag from a car in downtown Washington. D.C. police Lt. Eric Hayes said someone snatched the flag from a car as it was stopped in traffic Tuesday evening and apparently threw it to the ground.

Police and witnesses said that by the time the man crossed the street, someone exited the car and struck him in the face before driving away.

Police said the incident may have been motivated by

team loyalty, or the motorist might not have wanted anyone to touch his car.

Police said a man was taken from the scene to be treated for a bruised forehead.

Man begs to be sent to jail, judge refuses.

HOLLIDAYBURG — A central Pennsylvania man begged a judge to send him to jail, only to have the judge tell him to borrow money to repay a convenience store \$214 for gasoline the man allegedly stole in six separate trips. Jerome Banks, 42, wanted Blair County Judge Hiram

Carpenter to jail him Tuesday.

Banks said he's due to receive disability payments in about a year, but for now claims he's broke and can't repay the Sheetz store in Tyrone for gas he stole last June and July.

Carpenter refused to accept Banks guilty plea and send him to jail. The judge told Banks he'd still owe the money after he got out of jail, so he might as well pay it off sooner — at which time Carpenter said he'll dismiss the charges.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 62	HIGH 55	HIGH 67	HIGH 63	HIGH 50	HIGH 45
	LOW 40	LOW 40	LOW 48	LOW 45	LOW 35	LOW 30

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STUDENT SENATE

Online calendar needs revision

By SARAH MERVOSH
News Writer

Student Senate passed a resolution to reevaluate the University's online events calendar, currently located at agenda.nd.edu, and discussed specific improvements needed at Wednesday's meeting.

Campus Technology Chair Walker Anderson said the two primary issues with agenda.nd.edu are its accessibility and aesthetics.

Anderson said the Web site is relatively inaccessible to students because people have to go through Notre Dame's home page to get to it. Even then, there is only a small link to the calendar at the bottom of the Web site, he said.

"I think your revision is highly needed," Pasquerilla West senator Megan Carey said.

Carey said she doesn't know how to get to the calendar directly and can only access it because it pops up in conjunction with another Web site she uses.

Anderson would also like to improve the appearance of the calendar because the current format of agenda.nd.edu is outdated and unappealing.

"This format is called French vanilla," Anderson said. "It's aesthetically bland."

"It looks pretty archaic," Carey said.

Anderson would also like to improve the University calendar by making it more centralized.

"As of right now there is no one individual responsible for the maintenance of this site," he said.

Senate also discussed whether the calendar should be solely for campus-wide events that are open to the public, or whether it should also include events only for students.

Assistant vice president for student affairs Brian Coughlin said agenda.nd.edu currently posts events open to the general public because that was a criteria decided by the committee that created the site.

"Anything they were going to put on that calendar was going to be open to the general public," Coughlin said. "That's just the public nature of the Notre Dame Web site."

On the new Web site, Anderson said, "I don't see why [most student events] couldn't be promoted publicly."

Anderson also said the improved Web site could be used for admissions.

"Prospective students will go onto the calendar and see what's happening around campus and say 'Oh, that's cool. Gym Class Heroes is coming to Notre Dame,'" he said. "They can kind of get a taste of student life and what actually occurs."

Senate also discussed incor-

porating Google into the improvements for the calendar.

"Maybe by each listing have a button that says 'subscribe,' especially if it's a series or 'add to my calendar' if it's a one time thing," Anderson said.

Anderson said these revisions will take place well into next year.

"It's not gong to be instant change because we have to get these different campus entities to start working with each other," Anderson said. "If we want to do this integrated system then you also have to basically create new systems so that the different calendars can talk to one another."

In other Senate News:

♦ Chief of staff Ryan Brellenthin said the Chicago Tribune will increase its price from 35 cents to 85 cents per issue.

Alternatives to subscribing the Chicago Tribune as part of the College Readership Program could be getting a local paper, like the South Bend Tribune, another regional paper, like the Chicago Sun-Times, or using the money that was budgeted for the Chicago Tribune to buy more copies of The New York Times and USA Today.

♦ Carroll senator Nick Ruof said the committee on residence life will be touring the basement of DeBartalo to determine the viability of installing a food area in the building.

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"We'd like to encourage OIT and Web Group to make this a priority in their endeavors," he said.

With a better online calendar, Schmidt said students could more easily search for and find events that they want to attend. Because students have taken advantage of other online features, Schmidt said students would also use a better calendar.

"Clearly students are using these online features, so I think this would have groups centralize their information" he said.

CLC also discussed the Medical Amnesty Policy. Former chief executive assistant Karen Koski reviewed the recommendations of the task force on Medical Amnesty Policy review.

Koski said the task force developed both short-term and long-term recommendations for the Medical Amnesty policy, which concerns students who have been drinking but seek medical attention for an intoxicated friend.

The short-term recommendations include a clarification for students about the role of the Office of Residence Life and Housing (ORLH).

"First and foremost the fact that they set forth that their mission is more about helping young people develop as opposed to a purely disciplinary

body," she said. "And a lot of students don't see it that way or don't know that it is even their mission. We don't want it to be so unknown about the process, what happens, why they do what they do."

Koski said the task force hopes to achieve this goal through residence hall visits by NDSP officers and representatives from ORLH. The visits would involve explanations of policies and offer students an opportunity to ask questions.

The task force also found that the Pillars presentations given to freshmen to promote responsible life choices might be more effective if they were given at a different time of year, Koski said.

"They're great for education ... but they come in that period when freshman are just getting bombarded with information," she said.

Fr. Pete McCormick, rector of Keough Hall, said Keough held Pillars presentations in the spring and also had NDSP officers visit the dorm to answer questions. He said both events were successful and that the students found them informative.

The long-term recommendations for the Medical Amnesty Policy include a rector report to ORLH about medical amnesty, Koski said. Such an attachment would allow ORLH to take into account a student's intent to seek medical help for a peer.

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that this crisis will have long-term effects on international development."

Bergstrand stressed that while a significant part of the origins of the crisis came from Wall Street, the global community at large is suffering the consequences.

"In situations such as this, the developing world often pays a big price," he said. "As our economy slows down, we slow down and import less. This begins the transmission that hurts development abroad."

Dutt, a professor of economics, agreed that the crisis in the northern, or developed, region of the world has the potential to filter down and be destructive to the southern region.

"Most of the world's poor live in the southern hemisphere," Dutt said. "This crisis has put the poor in a precarious situation."

Dutt said while the crisis is affecting Americans and other citizens of developed nations, it is nothing compared to the impact that it has on the members of developing nations.

"Here, the state of the economy means that you don't take your fifth vacation," he said. "Things are very different and much more detrimental to the south."

Dutt said a unique situation had been created by the relationship between the developed nations and developing nations when the economy was not in decline.

"Before the crisis, rich countries would lend abroad to poorer countries," he said. "When everything began to go wrong, instead of lending, these rich countries called back their loans right as the demand for the goods from these poor countries fell; it put these countries in a very strained situation."

In addition to calling back loans and no longer importing their goods, these rich countries also reduced their level of aid.

"When the northern countries

see the economy shrinking they cut down on giving foreign aid," Dutt said. "This and contractions in the economy leads to a reduction in resources which additionally leads to a rise in poverty and usually inequality within the country."

Dowd, a professor of political science, said the global community should be concerned about the deprivation that might arise as a result of feelings of inequality.

"During times of economic difficulties, politicians play on people's fears," Dowd said. "This deepening economic crisis is not good for democracies in the south, especially in countries where democracy is new."

Dowd said these developing countries that have recently adopted democracy are prone to destruction.

"In most parts of the developing world, democracy is new and fledging and the governments are not very good at responding to a crisis such as this," Dowd said. "This is going to make authoritarian regimes look much more favorable."

Dowd said he fears that if these countries return to authoritarian rule, development will stall completely.

"It has been shown that democracy is better for development," he said. "Whether or not a complete breakdown of democracy occurs depends on if the citizens blame the government of the day or the entire democratic system as the reason for their troubles."

Dowd said the most important thing the northern countries can do in alleviating the troubles of the developing nations is to make sure government policies that are being pursued are not turning the country inward.

"What we need to remember is that policies that are focused on maintaining the standard of living in the developed world do not trump policies focused on basic living in the non-developed world," Dowd said.

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DAY OF SILENCE

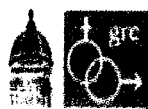
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Please understand my reasons for not speaking today. I am participating in the Day of Silence, a national movement protesting the silence faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and their allies in schools. My deliberate silence echoes that silence, which is caused by harassment, prejudice, and discrimination. I believe that ending the silence is the first step toward fighting these injustices.

Think about the voices you are not hearing today.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO TO END THE SILENCE?



The 2009 Day of Silence at Notre Dame is sponsored by:
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Senior

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older employees decided to postpone retirement, taking away positions from college graduates — sometimes multiple positions, as their salaries can triple those for entry level positions.

This trend did not keep senior Zach Mady from securing an engineering position with Lockheed Martin in November 2008.

"The engineering market is dominated by older generations of people," Mady said. "There are a larger number of people retiring in the field than ever before."

But even as the banking, consulting, architecture, accounting, real estate and retail sectors are shrinking, other industries are expanding, according to Svete. He attributed some of this expansion to the effects of the stimulus package.

Svete said the stimulus is already having an impact, especially in "infrastructure."

"The federal government is hiring — civil engineers, social services, and health care," Svete said.

Other fields that have shown promise for graduating seniors despite the recession are green energy, computer technology, software development, biotechnology and engineering firms with defense contracts, Svete said.

"I interviewed with Lockheed Martin for a summer internship two years ago," Mady said. "They liked my work that summer so they retained me for another summer and again I did a serviceable job. So, I actually applied before the summer was over. I had an offer in November and was secure in my job."

Green energy will be a booming field due to the stimulus, but students must be "geographically diverse" when it comes to considering their career options, Svete said, referencing a large solar panel manufacturing plant in Arizona.

The alternative energy industry isn't the only "alternative" career path that has grown this year for seniors. According to Svete, the number of students who complete volunteer service after graduation could grow from an average of 200 for past years to 290 for this year, but postponing a conventional career by doing service isn't a career interruption — it's an enhancement.

"As a result, our graduates are much more versatile than graduates from other schools," Svete said. "Ethics and integrity are among the top-ranked traits that employers look for."

Other students, such as senior Jimmy Champlin, decided to attend graduate or professional school and look for permanent employment when the economy is hopefully more stable.

After considering the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) program, Champlin opted for law school, since he thought a political science major would mostly limit him to government jobs.

"That way I can push back needing a job three years," Champlin said.

With an abundance of service opportunities and options for graduate school as well as an expected recovery of the economy, students should not reconsider their desired academic majors to make themselves more attractive job candidates, according to Svete.

"Economies are cyclical and to make a short-term decision based on vocation rather than passion is the wrong decision," he said.

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"They've lost revenue. And as a result, their full time and internship budgets have been decreased," Svete said. "Internships have dropped not because of the opportunity, but because of the pay."

Sophomore Brittany Johnson has an internship this summer shadowing a pharmacist in a hospital, but has noticed the economy's effect on the internship market.

"Last summer, my internship was paid and this summer it's not paid, but I have to take what I can get because I need pharmacy experience," Johnson said.

Johnson said she had to adjust her expectations to accommodate the state of the economy.

"I have to take the financial hit now and not make any money this summer and hopefully get into pharmacy school," she said.

The summer job market for students is also suffering because people who got laid off have taken jobs that are typi-

cally filled by college students, Svete said.

"It's a domino effect. When people are getting laid off from companies ... they're going out and filling some of these jobs that are hourly rate," Svete said. "Those jobs at the mall aren't there anymore."

Svete's advice to students who can't find an internship or job for this summer is to consider volunteering, which shows work ethic and versatility. A volunteer position will also provide a reference for future jobs, Svete said.

As long as students can articulate what they gained from their summer experience, "employers don't care if you've made \$2,000 in a summer or \$10."

Troubles finding internships and jobs may have led students to consider other summer options and utilize more of the University's resources.

The Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP), which provides financial support to students wishing to do independent research, according to their Web site, has noticed an increase in applications.

"We had almost twice the

number of UROP applications that we had last year," Director of the Institute for Scholarships in the Liberal Arts Agustin Fuentes said.

UROP has not been able to meet the demand because while applications are increasing, endowments are down due to the economy, Fuentes said.

"Everyone's endowment is down. But ours isn't that bad," he said.

Fuentes said he does not foresee having to cut down on the number of grants given and hopes that next year, UROP will be able to give at least what it gave this year.

"We're going to do everything that we can to make sure that doesn't impact our support for students," he said.

According to Sarah Baer from the Office of International Studies, applications for study abroad programs this summer were strong, but acceptance rates were low.

"We received a greater percentage of declines from admitted students than we typically do," Baer said. "I think the reality of paying for the program caused many students to decline."

Svete said the Career Center

can help students find summer opportunities. The Career Center has access to more than a million companies on their database and to the entire Notre Dame alumni network, which is "incredible" and "amazingly supportive," he said.

"Our underclass students can come in and meet with a counselor," he said. "We can find out what alumni are in your field and help you contact them."

Svete urged students to be creative, and not to let the difficult economic times bring them down.

"You've got to deal with some rejection, you just can't get discouraged," he said. "Realize it's not you, it's the economy."

"I'm not trying to sugar coat this. It's tough out there," Svete said. "But [Notre Dame students] are still the most flexible candidates that I've worked with in 23 years. And I've been in the Ivy League. I've been across the East coast."

"We're going to be okay," he said.

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Attention Seniors!

Notre Dame's Office of Undergraduate Admissions anticipates hiring Admissions Counselors this spring!

As part of the Undergraduate Admissions staff, the Admissions Counselor is expected to make an important contribution to the recruitment and selection of the first-year class by managing relations with prospective applicants, their parents, high school personnel and alumni in an assigned geographic territory.

Responsibilities include extensive planning, travel and communication within the geographic territory, assessment and evaluation of applications and conducting group/individual information sessions. Additional responsibilities will be assigned by the Assistant Provost for Enrollment and the Director of Admissions Operations.

Among our candidates, we may seek individuals who will assist with our diversity recruitment efforts.

Minimum Requirements: Candidates should possess a Bachelor's degree and strong familiarity with all aspects of academic and student life at Notre Dame. Essential qualities include strong communication and organizational skills, enthusiasm, diplomacy and the willingness to work long hours, including many evenings and Saturday mornings.

Please Note: Interviews will be scheduled after April 10.

Preferred start date is July 1, 2009.

Application Process: To apply, please visit <http://ND.jobs> and apply to job #09123.

The University of Notre Dame is committed to diversity in its staff, faculty, and student body. As such, we strongly encourage applications from members of minority groups, women, veterans, individuals with disabilities, and others who will enhance our community. AA/EOE.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Colombian drug lord arrested in raid

BOGOTA — Colombia's most wanted drug lord was cowering like a dog under a palm tree when he was captured Wednesday in a jungle raid involving hundreds of police officers, the defense minister said.

Daniel Rendon Herrera, alias "Don Mario," was taken in shackles to the capital to await possible extradition to the United States.

Rendon Herrera allegedly commanded hundreds of armed men in a private militia and directed a criminal organization that sent hundreds of tons of cocaine to the U.S.

President Alvaro Uribe described Rendon Herrera, 43, as "one of the most feared drug traffickers in the world."

Rendon Herrera's organization is responsible for 3,000 murders in the last 18 months alone, said Gen. Oscar Naranjo, who directs the national police.

Iran scientists clone female goat

ISFAHAN, Iran — Iranian scientists have cloned a goat and plan future experiments they hope will lead to a treatment for stroke patients, the leader of the research said Wednesday.

The female goat, named Hana, was born early Wednesday in the city of Isfahan in central Iran, said Dr. Mohammed Hossein Nasr e Isfahani, head of the Royan Research Institute.

"With the birth of Hana, Iran is among five countries in the world cloning a baby goat," said Isfahani, an embryologist.

In 2006 Iran became the first country in the Middle East to announce it had cloned a sheep. Two and a half years later, that animal is healthy, the institute said.

NATIONAL NEWS

EPA gives stimulus to hazardous sites

NEW BEDFORD, Mass. — For decades, the New Bedford Harbor was a dumping ground for industrial metals and other contaminants. But now that harbor and 49 other polluted and hazardous waste sites are a step closer to a major cleanup.

Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa Jackson on Wednesday singled out 50 sites, in 28 states, that will share \$582 million in newly approved federal stimulus money to continue cleanup operations.

"The EPA has an answer for these challenging economic times," Jackson said at the harbor. "We have moved beyond the false choice between a green economy and a green environment."

Sacramento tent city cleaned out

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Dozens of the people who have been living in a homeless encampment near downtown Sacramento folded their tents and packed their shopping carts Wednesday, the deadline set by the city to clear out.

Many said they did not want to go to shelters or had heard that the city's shelters were full.

"I don't know where I'm going," said Danny Valadez, 48, who lost his job as a painter and has lived at the so-called "tent city" with his girlfriend for the past 13 months. He said they didn't want to live in shelters because there are too many rules and they feel "a little like jail."

LOCAL NEWS

Runaway prison inmate captured

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. — An inmate who walked away from a work crew at the minimum security unit at the Indiana State Prison last week was captured Wednesday.

State Prison Superintendent Mark Levenhagen said Steven Grove was taken into custody about 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at a library in Benton Harbor, Mich., about 40 miles from the prison.

The 26-year-old Kokomo man is being held at the Berrien County Jail in Benton Harbor.

Nationwide 'tea parties' convened

Protests sparked by anger at government's spending; rallies held in many major cities

Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Whipped up by conservative commentators and bloggers, tens of thousands of protesters staged "tea parties" around the country Wednesday to tap into the collective angst stirred up by a bad economy, government spending and bailouts.

The rallies were directed at President Barack Obama's new administration on a symbolic day: the deadline to file income taxes. Protesters even threw what appeared to be a box of tea bags toward the White House, causing a brief lockdown at the compound.

Shouts rang out from Kentucky, which just passed tax increases on cigarettes and alcohol, to Salt Lake City, where many in the crowd booed Republican Gov. Jon Huntsman for accepting about \$1.5 billion in stimulus money.

"Frankly, I'm mad as hell," said businessman Doug Burnett at a rally at the Iowa Capitol, where many of the about 1,000 people wore red shirts declaring "revolution is brewing." Burnett added: "This country has been on a spending spree for decades, a spending spree we can't afford."

In Boston, a few hundred protesters gathered on the Boston Common — a short distance from the original Tea Party — some dressed in Revolutionary garb and carrying signs that said "Barney Frank, Bernie Madoff: And the Difference Is?" and "D.C.: District of Communism."

In Atlanta, thousands of people were expected to gather on the steps of the Capitol, where Fox News Channel conservative pundit Sean Hannity was set to broadcast his show Wednesday night.

The tea parties were promoted by FreedomWorks, a conservative nonprofit



Protestors gather in a 'tea party' demonstration in Lafayette Park, across from the White House on Wednesday. A thrown box of tea caused a lockdown at the White House.

advocacy group based in Washington and led by former Republican House Majority Leader Dick Armey of Texas, who is now a lobbyist.

Organizers said the movement developed organically through online social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter and through exposure on Fox News.

While FreedomWorks insisted the rallies were nonpartisan, they have been seized on by many prominent Republicans who view them as a promising way for the party to reclaim its momentum.

"All you have to be is a mildly awake Republican candidate for office to get in front of that parade," said

Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform.

The movement attracted some Republicans considering 2012 presidential bids.

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich planned to address a tea party in a New York City park Wednesday night. Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal sent an e-mail to his supporters, letting them know about tea parties throughout the state. South Carolina Gov. Mark Sanford planned to attend two tea parties.

"There is no such thing as so-called free money and that includes stimulus," Sanford told several thousand people outside the statehouse in Columbia, S.C. "Paying down debt is an old

American theme and never a bad thing."

There were several small counter-protests, including one that drew about a dozen people at Fountain Square in Cincinnati. A counter-protester held a sign that read, "Where were you when Bush was spending billions a month 'liberating' Iraq?" The anti-tax demonstration there, meanwhile, drew about 4,000 people.

In Lansing, Mich., outside the state Capitol, another 4,000 people waved signs exclaiming "Stop the Fiscal Madness," "Read My Lipstick! No More Bailouts" and "The Pirates Are in D.C." Children held makeshift signs complaining about the rising debt.

IRAQ

Study findings reveal civilian deaths

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Execution-style killings, not headline-grabbing bombings, have been the leading cause of death among civilians in the Iraq war, a study released Wednesday shows.

The findings, published in the New England Journal of Medicine, point to the brutal sectarian nature of the conflict, where death squads once roamed the streets hunting down members of the rival Muslim sect.

Estimates of the number of civilians killed in Iraq vary widely. The study was based on the database maintained by Iraq Body Count, a private group that among other sources uses media reports including those of The Associated Press.

The authors concede the data is not comprehensive but maintain that the study provides a reliable gauge of how Iraqis have died in the six-year conflict.

The findings also provide further evidence of the brutal sectarian cleansing and retaliatory violence between Shiites and Sunnis that pushed the country to the brink of civil war before easing a year and a half ago.

"I think that a lot of the executions with torture had to do with trying to get people to move out of their houses," said Michael Spagat, one of the study's authors. "It had to strike fear into people's hearts. A lot of it is just hatred and retribution."

The study covered the period from

the March 20, 2003 invasion through March 19, 2008, in which 91,358 violent deaths were recorded by Iraq Body Count.

The total number of civilian deaths in Iraq is widely disputed, but the count by the London-based group is widely considered a credible minimum.

Apart from media reports, Iraq Body Count uses figures from morgues and hospitals since the war started.

However, the authors focused on only 60,481 deaths linked to specific events, excluding Iraqis killed in prolonged episodes of violence during the U.S.-led invasion and the U.S. sieges of the former insurgent stronghold of Fallujah in 2004.

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cohesive team, provide guidance, and supervise these activities was exemplary," he said.

Crist said the candidates for the award are selected based on a wide array of skills.

"Army ROTC cadets are rated on their academic, physical, and military/leadership skills," Crist said.

"Cadet Ballard sets himself apart from an extremely accomplished group of peers by seeking out and excelling in the leadership position he is assigned, maintaining over a 3.5 GPA, and habitually scoring the maximum on his physical tests."

Each year, the top Army ROTC Cadet at Notre Dame is selected to attend the Marshall seminar, which takes place in Lexington, Va.

Crist said Notre Dame cadets are traditionally among the best ROTC candidates in the nation.

"Notre Dame cadets, besides being at one of the top academic schools in the country, are among the highest rated ROTC cadets in the country, consistently graduating the Leadership Development and Assessment Course in the top 15 percent of the country and

being ranked as last year's number one of over 270 programs nationwide on the Army's physical fitness test," he said.

Ballard is currently participating in the seminar, which began Tuesday and concludes Thursday.

This year's seminar is chaired by retired Lt. Gen. Richard Timmons and retired Maj. Gen. Patricia Hickerson.

At the conference, Ballard will have the opportunity to participate in roundtable discussions on issues that are pertinent to current national security.

This opportunity is something that Crist said he believes will be an excellent experience for Ballard.

"As one of the top cadets in the country, Cadet Ballard will contribute significantly to these important topics and share his ideas with other cadets and the cadre when he returns," he said.

Ballard will receive his commission on May 16th. He will graduate with honors with a degree in Arabic this May.

"For Cadet Ballard to stand so high among the best is a credit to himself, the University of Notre Dame, the US Army, and our country," Crist said.

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iPhone

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"If Apple had a promotion [where] every Notre Dame student got an iPhone and they came back over Christmas break with 10,000 new iPhones ... that would be a problem," Latimer said. "The growth has been predictable enough that we can react fast enough to that to make sure that there aren't problems."

"We're not going to get caught off guard," he said.

One reason that iPhone users should not have any problems is because of the high number of AT&T receptors on campus. There are 17 hidden cell phone receptors spread across campus and AT&T is on all 17, Latimer said.

Verizon also has receptors throughout campus, although they are slightly less prevalent than AT&T, he said.

"Clearly, [AT&T] is the more aggressive of the two," Latimer said. However, he said Verizon and AT&T have "roughly equivalent" coverage on campus.

Latimer said the move towards mobility, not specifically an increase in iPhone usage, is driving an increase in antennas on campus.

Additionally, campus construction contributes to a need for more antennas. New buildings "block and absorb" cell phone signals, he said.

"If you had great reception one day and all of a sudden they build a new law school between you and that antenna, all of a sudden you don't have great reception," Latimer said.

Sprint and T-Mobile have no

cell phone receptors on campus, which means that their customers do not get as good of service, he said.

But poor service for Sprint and T-Mobile customers is not something that he can control, Latimer said.

He said cell phone companies must decide to invest in putting receptors on campus. OIT can only encourage the companies to do so, Latimer said.

"There's only so much money to go around. And it takes active lobbying and an ongoing partnership," he said. "It's up to us to convince them to spend it on our campus."

Latimer said Notre Dame is "carrier neutral" because they would like to have receptors from all companies, but Sprint and T-Mobile decided to not put receptors on campus.

"The Sprint CEO is a Notre Dame alum, and we just haven't been able to get them to bite," he said.

"We can't say it enough. We would love to have Sprint and T-Mobile on campus, but they're not here. Yes, there are angry students on campus. Yes, I feel sorry for them. But I can't control that."

In addition to lobbying for more antennas on campus, Latimer said he has plans to utilize the increase in smart phones by creating applications that could be used by Notre Dame students on their phones.

"We as a University are going to start writing more and more applications ... that are smart phone friendly," he said.

Although he has not committed to any specific applications, Latimer said possible smart phone applications could include

that allow students to check their grades or courses on their phones.

The applications would be meant to make student life easier on campus, and have already been utilized by schools like Stanford University and Duke University.

One application used by another university can "tell you when your dryer is buzzed and your clothes are ready," Latimer said.

"We clearly recognize that mobility is going to be key. We want to deploy more and more of our services that are mobile friendly," he said.

Ted Mandell, a professor in the Film, Television and Theatre department, sees the increase in the use of iPhones and smart phones as a result of society's shift towards multitasking.

Although he doesn't see much iPhone use in his classroom because he teaches in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, where there is little cell phone service, a lot of his students use the Internet on laptops during class.

"I don't have a problem with students multitasking," Mandell said. "I think people are being trained to constantly multitask."

"Like you have to make decisions: Do I listen to the person I'm talking to or do I respond to a Facebook [message]?" he said.

Mandell said the iPhone is just an extension of laptops when it comes to using the Internet.

"I always just assume people are doing three or four things while they're listening in class," he said. "I think that's probably going to be a common thing now."

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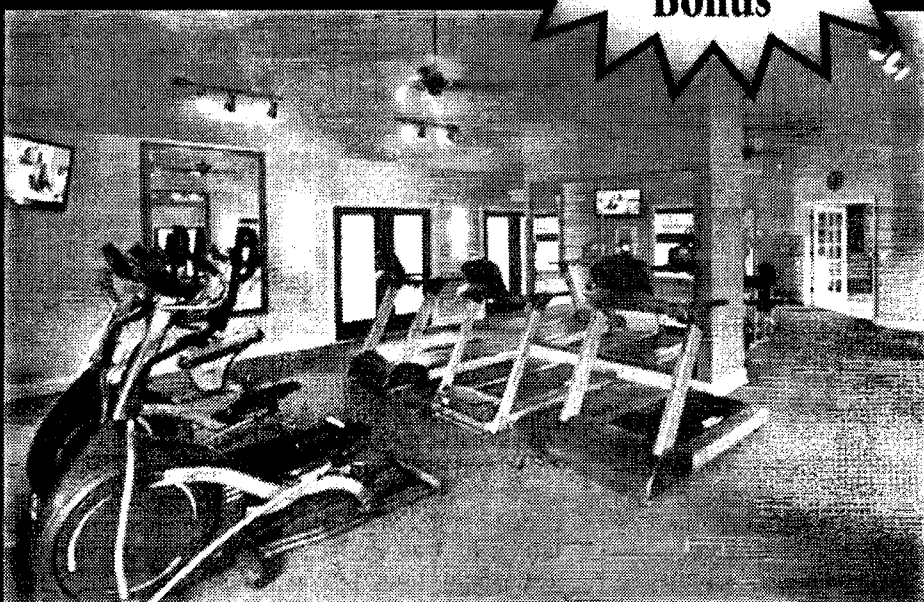
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IN BRIEF

Fiat CEO demands major cost cuts

DETROIT — With just 15 days left before the U.S. government pulls the plug on Chrysler, the only man who appears able to save the struggling automaker is casting doubt on whether a deal can be worked out. Fiat CEO Sergio Marchionne, in an interview published Wednesday, said the Italian automaker will walk away from a nonbinding agreement to take a 20 percent stake in Chrysler and share its small car technology unless the U.S. automaker's unions agree to major cost cuts.

A Fiat spokesman confirmed Marchionne's statements.

Chrysler, which is living on \$4 billion in loans from the U.S. government, has to take on a partner and gain concessions from unions and debtholders by April 30, or the Obama administration will stop lending it money. No other suitors have emerged, and it's likely that no bankruptcy financing will be available, so Chrysler would have little choice but to be auctioned off in pieces.

Program gives money to six companies

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration on Wednesday named the first six companies participating in a \$75 billion program designed to help millions of struggling homeowners avoid foreclosure.

The administration said the companies — including some of the mortgage industry's biggest players — will receive a maximum of \$9.9 billion in incentive payments, which are designed to encourage mortgage companies to lower borrowers' monthly bills. The government expects to finish arrangements with other companies in the coming months.

Chase Home Finance, part of JPMorgan Chase & Co., will receive up to \$3.6 billion, the largest amount among the six companies.

The other recipients are: Wells Fargo & Co., GMAC Mortgage Inc., Citigroup Inc.'s CitiMortgage unit, Select Portfolio Servicing and Saxon Mortgage Services Inc.

The program, unveiled on March 4, will offer struggling homeowners the chance to obtain modified loans with lower monthly payments. It's being funded by \$50 billion out of the government's \$700 billion financial rescue program. The remaining \$25 billion will come from other government sources.

Wall Street rally shows economic hope

Signs of improvement spark purchase of stocks; some experts remain cautious

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Investors snapped up shares of consumer product makers and financial companies Wednesday as they latched onto signs that the recession could be easing its chokehold on the economy.

Early caution gave way to a rally in the last hour of trading as investors looked for stocks that could benefit from a rebound. Technology stocks lagged after Intel Corp.'s tightlipped forecast caused jitters about a corner of the market that had drawn buyers over the past month.

The Dow Jones industrial average ended with a gain of 109 points.

Money flowed into stocks like Procter & Gamble Co., which boosted its dividend, and American Express Co., which said it is having to write off less bad debt.

"The market may not be seeing concrete signs of a recovery, but there are specks of light that we're on the road to stabilization," said Ryan Larson, senior equity trader at Voyager Asset Management.

Lackluster economic readings early in the day offered reminders of the economy's troubles. But other signs emerged that the economy could be stabilizing as the day wore on. That idea that the recession is at least not worsening has pushed stocks up by more than 20 percent in the past five weeks.

The government reported that production at the nation's factories, mines and utilities fell 1.5 percent in March, the fifth straight month of decline and worse than the 1 percent dip analysts expected.

Consumer prices fell 0.1 percent last month as a drop in energy prices offset the biggest rise in tobacco prices in more than a decade. It was better than the 0.1 percent rise econo-



On September 23, 2008, Intel CEO Paul Otellini talks about Wall Street in San Francisco. Intel's conservative forecast caused a slight dip in technology stocks on Wednesday.

mists had expected but still reflected weaker business activity.

Other economic reports that came out in the afternoon offered some bright spots that the market responded to. The Federal Reserve's snapshot of business conditions around the nation suggested that while the economy remains troubled, some areas like manufacturing were stabilizing.

The National Association of Home Builders said its housing market index posted its biggest one-month gain in five years in April as many homebuyers jumped on lower prices

and incentives.

American Airlines parent AMR Corp. jumped 19 percent after the carrier's \$375 million loss for the first quarter wasn't as bad as analysts had feared.

American Express said in a regulatory filing that had to write off a smaller percentage of loans in March than in February. Amex's 12 percent rally was the biggest advance among the 30 stocks that make up the Dow industrials.

Trading volume was light, which can amplify swings in the market, and some buyers may have been ready to pounce following a 2 percent slump a

day earlier. Market watchers said this kind of back-and-forth is likely to continue as companies continue to report results from the first three months of the year.

According to preliminary calculations, the Dow Jones industrial average rose 109.44, or 1.4 percent, to 8,029.62.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index, rose 10.56, or 1.3 percent, to 852.06. The tech-heavy Nasdaq composite index edged up 1.08, or 0.1 percent, to 1,626.80 after losing ground for most of the day because of disappointment about Intel's report.

Prices fall unexpectedly in March

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Consumer prices dipped unexpectedly in March, leaving prices over the past year falling at the fastest clip in more than a half-century. The recession is expected to keep a lid on inflation as widespread layoffs dampen wage pressures and weak demand keeps companies from raising prices.

The Labor Department said Wednesday that consumer prices edged down 0.1 percent last month as a drop in energy prices offset the biggest rise in tobacco prices in more than a decade. It was a better performance than the 0.1 percent rise in the Consumer Price Index that economists had expected.

Over the past 12 months, consumer prices have fallen 0.4 percent, the first

12-month decline since a similar drop for the year ending in August 1955.

Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve said Wednesday its latest survey of business conditions nationwide found five of its 12 regional banks reported a moderation in the pace of the economic decline. The Fed said several regions "saw signs that activity in some sectors was stabilizing at a low level ... (but) overall economic activity contracted further or remained weak."

The Fed also reported that production at the nation's factories, mines and utilities dropped a seasonally adjusted 1.5 percent in March, the fifth straight monthly decline. That matched February's drop and was worse than the 1 percent dip analysts expected.

Factories and mines are increasingly idle, as the total industrial capacity utilization rate fell to 69.3 percent from

70.3 percent, the lowest on records dating to 1967, the Fed said.

Core inflation, which excludes energy and food, rose 0.2 percent last month, matching the gains of the past three months. It was slightly higher than the 0.1 percent rise economists expected.

Over the past 12 months, core inflation has risen 1.8 percent. While some economists have expressed fears the recession could spawn a destabilizing period of falling prices, other analysts point to the rise in core inflation as evidence that deflation remains only a distant threat.

In fact, some economists worry that all of the moves the Federal Reserve has made to fight the recession and the worst financial crisis in 70 years could be sowing the seeds for inflation troubles down the road.

SMC Tostal celebration to host Sara Bareilles

By ALICIA SMITH
News Writer

Saint Mary's College will welcome recording artist Sara Bareilles to campus today as part of the annual SMC Tostal celebration.

Created after an Irish-inspired spring festival, SMC Tostal will celebrate the end of the academic year. SMC Tostal will host several different activities to allow students to relax and take a break.

The College's Student Activity Board (SAB) is responsible for planning the events held throughout SMC Tostal.

"SAB plans this event every year, but the activities throughout the day have varied from year to year," Michele Peterson, SAB president, said. "A few years ago we had fireworks and an outdoor movie. Last year, we had popular recording artist Colbie Caillat perform."

SAB has been planning the event since last semester, according to Peterson.

"Things really started picking up about two months ago when our offer for Sara Bareilles was accepted," Peterson said. "When this happened, we were really able to start planning the rest of the day."

This year SMC Tostal has several new events to offer students. From henna tattoos to a photo booth, SMC Tostal has something for everyone to enjoy. The special musical guest this year will be Sara Bareilles featuring Katius, a band from Dayton, Ohio, as

the opening act.

SAB worked with a booking agent from Indianapolis in order to get Bareilles to come to campus.

"We have a booking agent from Indianapolis who we contacted to find out which artists were available in our price range on April 16," Peterson said. "Once we figured out who we wanted, we sent in an offer, which was fortunately accepted."

SMC Tostal is held every year to offer students a chance to relax from the stresses of the end of the year. SMC Tostal is free of charge, and allows for some fun to mix up the daily routine.

"Students should go to the SMC Tostal because the end of the semester is always stressful and this gives students the opportunity to relax and have a little bit of fun, all for free," Peterson said. "Also, how often do you get to see a popular recording artist for free?"

SAB decided to make the tickets free so all students could enjoy SMC Tostal.

"We want everyone to go, regardless if they can afford a ticket or not," Peterson said. "They deserve it!"

The events in the student center will begin at 12 p.m. and will run through 4 p.m. Special desserts will be in the dining hall from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The Bareilles concert will begin at 6 p.m. in the Angela Athletic facility.

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Vt. lawmakers to ease 'sexting' laws

Associated Press

MONTPELIER, Vt. — Parents, school districts and law enforcement have been grappling with what to do with teenagers who take sexually explicit photos of themselves with their cell phone cameras and send them to friends.

Vermont legislators are moving to get rid of one option: child pornography counts that result in lifetime listings on the state's Internet sex offender registry.

Legislation passed by the Vermont Senate and pending in the House would remove the most serious legal consequences for teenagers who engage in "sexting." The bill would carve out an exemption from prosecution for child pornography for 13- to 18-year-olds on either the sending or receiving end of sexting messages, so long as the sender voluntarily transmits an image of himself or herself.

The bill, however, would not legalize the conduct. Legislators believe prosecutors could still use laws against lewd and lascivious conduct and against disseminating indecent materials to a minor.

State legislatures, including Vermont's, have been cracking down on sexual predators in recent years, but lawmakers here say they don't want increasingly tough penalties applied to those caught up in what many regard as a youthful fad.

"We felt that it's poor behavior and it's not something we want to give our OK to," said Sen. Richard Sears, D-Bennington and chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee. "But at the same time, do we want a kid in jail?"

Do we want them tagged as a sex offender for the rest of their lives? And the answer is no."

Prosecutors around the country have tried various approaches against teenagers who used cell phones, e-mail or social networking Web sites to transmit naughty pictures of themselves.

Last month, a 14-year-old New Jersey girl was arrested for posting nude pictures of herself on MySpace. She was charged with child pornography and distribution of child pornography for allegedly posting nearly 30 explicit pictures on the site. But it's likely she'll avoid jail because she's a juvenile, according to a prosecutor handling the case.

In Pennsylvania, 17 students involved in distributing photos of nude or scantily clad female classmates accepted a county prosecutor's offer that their cases would be resolved if they participated in a five-week after-school program on sexual harassment and similar topics. Three balked and sued in federal court to stop prosecutors from filing charges.

In Ohio, a 15-year-old high school girl faced charges for sending racy cell phone photos of herself to classmates. She eventually agreed to a curfew, no cell phone and supervised Internet usage.

In Vermont, authorities have charged an 18-year-old from Morrisville, Isaac Owusu, with directing two teenage girls to videotape or photograph themselves performing sex acts on themselves and send the results to him. The defense maintains the girls were willing participants.

In that case, Chittenden County State's Attorney T.J. Donovan said Owusu's directing

the events is what resulted in charges.

But he agreed with backers of the legislation that volunteering to take and send racy photos of oneself shouldn't result in criminal charges.

"I don't think it serves any public interest to paint those kids ... as sex offenders," said Donovan, chief prosecutor in Vermont's most populous county.

Ernie Allen, president of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, said he sympathized with Vermont officials for not wanting to exact heavy penalties for a teenager's foolishness. But he worries that exempting the behavior could have the unintended consequence of immunizing genuine sexual predators from prosecution.

"Our concern is that decriminalizing sexting is a blanket response that is too broad to a problem that is best handled on a case-by-case basis," Allen said.

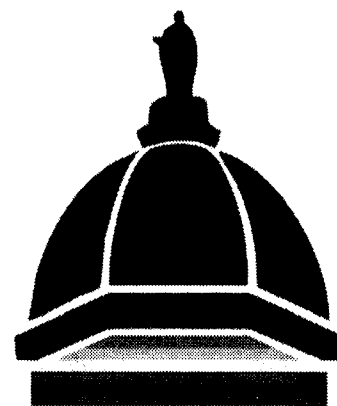
Donovan, Allen and others agreed that the real solution is educating teens about the risks of sexting.

Allen said his group's "Think Before You Post" campaign was aimed at getting children to think about the practical consequences of sending materials that can be reproduced and end up living on the Internet forever.

Marisa Nightingale, senior advisor with the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy, said that many teens who send sexting messages do so as a joke. "But you're basically relinquishing control of how people see you in this very sensitive area, which is your sexuality," she said.

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EPA summit discusses bedbugs

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Va. — "Don't let the bedbugs bite."

Doesn't seem so bad in a cheerful bedtime rhyme, but it's becoming a really big problem now that the nasty critters are invading hospitals, college dorms and even swanky hotels.

With the most effective pesticides banned, the government is trying to figure out how to respond to the biggest bedbug outbreak since World War II.

Bedbugs live in the crevices and folds of mattresses, sofas and sheets. Then, most often before dawn, they emerge to feed on human blood.

Faced with rising numbers of complaints to city information lines and increasingly frustrated landlords, hotel chains and housing authorities, the Environmental Protection Agency hosted its first-ever bedbug summit Tuesday.

Organized by one of the agency's advisory committees, the two-day conference drew about 300 participants to a hotel in Arlington, just across the Potomac River from Washington. An Internet site notes that the hotel in question has had no reports of bedbugs.

One of the problems with controlling the reddish-brown insects, according to researchers and the pest control industry, is that there are few chemicals on the market approved for use on mattresses and other household items that are effective at controlling bed-

bug infestations.

Unlike roaches and ants, bedbugs are blood feeders and can't be lured by bait. It's also difficult for pesticides to reach them in every crack and crevice they hide out in.

"It is a question of reaching them, finding them," said Harold Harlan, an entomologist who has been raising bedbugs for 36 years, feeding them with his own blood. He has the bites to prove it.

The EPA, out of concern for the environment and the effects on public health, has pulled many of the chemicals that were most effective in eradicating the bugs in the U.S. At the same time, the appleseed-sized critters have developed a pesticide resistance because those chemicals are still in use in other countries.

Increasing international travel has also helped them to hitchhike into the U.S.

"One of our roles would be to learn of new products or safer products. ... What we are concerned about is that if people take things into their own hands and start using pesticides on their mattresses that aren't really registered for that, that's a problem," said Lois Rossi, director of the registration division in the EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs.

The EPA is not alone in trying to deal with the problem. An aide to Rep. G.K. Butterfield, D-N.C., says the congressman plans to reintroduce legislation next week to expand grant pro-

grams to help public housing authorities cope with infestations.

The bill will be called the "Don't Let the Bedbugs Bite Act."

"It was clear something needed to be done," said Saul Hernandez, Butterfield's legislative assistant.

Bedbugs are not known to transmit any diseases. But their bites can cause infections and allergic reactions in some people. The insects release an anticoagulant to get blood flowing, and they also excrete a numbing agent so their bites don't often wake their victims.

Those often hardest hit are the urban poor, who cannot afford to throw out all their belongings or take other drastic measures. Extermination can cost between \$400-\$900.

So bedbug problems increase, said Dini Miller, an entomologist and bedbug expert at Virginia Tech, who until 2001 saw bedbugs only on microscope slides dating from the 1950s. Now she gets calls and e-mails several times a day from people at their wits' end.

"I can't tell you how many people have spent the night in their bathtubs because they are so freaked out by bedbugs," Miller said. "I get these people over the phone that have lost their marbles."

Because the registration of new pesticides takes so long, one thing the EPA could do is to approve some pesticides for emergency use, Miller said.

High school student killed in love triangle

Associated Press

CHANDLER, Ariz. — An 18-year-old high school student caught with his 48-year-old math teacher in her bedroom was stabbed to death by her boyfriend, who was himself a former student of hers, police said Tuesday.

Chandler police said 20-year-old Sixto Balbuena told them he never meant to kill Samuel Valdivia. He allegedly told police "the blade went in like going into butter" and that he just wanted to show Valdivia how much he hurt him by sleeping with Tamara Hofmann.

Balbuena, a Navy sailor on leave from California, was arrested on a charge of second-degree murder after police found him covered in blood and told them about the killing. He remained jailed in lieu of \$100,000 bond on Tuesday and did not yet have a lawyer.

Balbuena found his girlfriend naked and Valdivia in his boxer shorts in the woman's bedroom around 2:40 a.m. Friday, according to police reports and court documents.

Balbuena told police that Valdivia apologized to him before Balbuena began kicking, punching and throwing things at him, according to a police probable cause statement.

Police said Balbuena told them he "wanted to teach the

victim a lesson," and stabbed him in the lower side with a kitchen knife, according to the court document. Valdivia later died at a hospital.

He also threw Hofmann to the floor jumped on top of her and demanded to know how long she had been cheating on him, according to the document.

Police said Hofmann taught Valdivia math at El Dorado High School in Chandler and was also Balbuena's teacher when he attended Marcos de Niza High School in Tempe.

A call to both schools was not immediately returned Tuesday. Hofmann's phone number is unlisted.

Balbuena is the one who called 911. He told officers he felt remorse for stabbing Valdivia after seeing him lying on the floor struggling to breathe, police said.

Police spokesman Sgt. Joe Favazzo said Hofmann is being investigated for potential misconduct relative to her involvement with Valdivia.

A 2006 Chandler police report obtained by The Associated Press on Tuesday shows that police suspected Hofmann of having a sexual relationship with a then-17-year-old Balbuena.

Both Hofmann and Balbuena denied being in a sexual relationship, and police closed the case.

A New Commencement

Notre Dame's invitation to President Obama to deliver the Commencement address and to receive an honorary degree unleashed a wide controversy and provoked violently opposed reactions among all who look upon this University as a sign of the ideal of Catholic higher education. The community finds itself divided and confused, and the integrity of the University's educational mission is being challenged. On such an occasion, with great urgency we feel the need to take hold of the reasons for which such an institution exists.

What is the meaning of Christian education, and even more fundamentally what is Christian life today? How do we live today the fruitful faith that led a handful of French missionaries a century and a half ago to found a tiny college on the shore of Saint Mary's Lake—where before there was nothing—with the firm conviction that the school "will be one of the most powerful means for doing good in this country"? How is that connection between faith and life present as the impetus for our work in the university and in society?

For us faith is not an ethical code nor an ideology but an experience: an encounter with Christ present here and now in the Christian community. Christian faith gives us a freedom and a passion for living that express themselves above all in the form of questions as we face reality, and an inexhaustible openness to everything human. Political and ethical categories do not define us; our life springs from belonging to a fact, to a story begun and carried forward by an exceptional Presence in human history. Over the course of two millennia, that Presence has inspired innumerable initiatives that have educated men and women, including the University of Notre Dame. We cannot limit our thirst for truth and our desire to enter into a genuine relationship with reality; we want certainty about its meaning in its totality. We need a place where faith and reason are not enemies, where their unity launches us on a path of knowledge that is fearless, open, and free.

An invitation to a Catholic university — an invitation to anyone, especially to the President of the United States of America — should be an invitation to encounter that history, that method of relating to reality, and that experience of life and freedom.

What then is at stake in this Commencement Day? Much more than merely defending values — even the most sacred — or affirming a Catholic institution's "openness" to the world. At stake is our hope for the future of the university and the future of society.

For us hope begins from the recognition that with Christ we discover a new way to live life, to study, to do research, to be involved in politics and economics, to work in the world. In commencing from that Presence, we live hope not merely as a sentiment, a dream, or a project of power but as a certainty for the future that springs forth from an experience happening now.

With the certainty of faith that Father Sorin had after Notre Dame burned to the ground in 1879, let us recognize at the end of each day that we "built it too small ... so, tomorrow, as soon as the bricks cool, we will rebuild it, bigger and better than ever".

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As the year winds down and I pen my last column, there is no better time to look back at the year, and see how our beloved campus has changed and evolved. Naturally, there is no better way to get a pulse of the campus than from Viewpoints past. So let's take a walk down memory lane.



Jason Coleman

Man at Large

The beginning of the year was dominated by election coverage. There were claims made by all sides in defense or admonishment of all things. At least once Obama was named a socialist, or at the very least, the anti-Christ. Letters poured, lines were crossed and feelings were definitely hurt. But, as is usually the case in Viewpoint, the pain fades quickly.

Only to be replaced by new controversy, that is. In this case, it was the phantom snowballs hurled at our own sacred football team during the season finale against Syracuse. Alumni wrote to the Viewpoint en masse criticizing and dressing down the student body for its alleged poor sportsman ship. I only have to ask how many times those alumni watched their Notre Dame team lose to a 3-8 team at home, in the snow.

Soon students again expressed outrage at Raytheon's presence at the career fair, and felt that their third attempt (at least in my three years at Notre Dame) to ban the company would definitely succeed. However, because the economy actually managed to explode, job-seeking seniors were probably even less sympathetic than in years past.

While the Raytheon crew didn't

make much progress, the pro-life club did. In fact, I would go so far as to say their January surprise, the multiple-page insert whose appearance we were warned of in these very pages, terrified a significant portion of the male population of not only babies, but possibly girls, and certainly future Observer inserts.

Unfortunately, I shipped out to study for the semester shortly before the new Obama situation blew up, so I've missed a lot of the action. However, I have been trying to follow the ordeal from Facebook, which has proved interesting. After perusing the message boards of the major anti-Obama group, I can only come to conclusion that this "Bill Brasky" man to whom so many wall posts referred must be the real menace.

Regardless, as I see it, the pro-Obama group currently has a slight edge in membership over the anti-Obama group, so they are winning. What might be more telling, though, is that the group "Boycott Notre Dame Football if Obama Speaks at Commencement" has only six members; if one can't even manage to give up watching a 7-6 football team, how will they stop the President of the United States? Then again, if the protestors are half as effective as their newspaper inserts, no one will want to set foot on campus.

Nevertheless, these tiffs are nothing compared with the now infamous, "I hooked up with six guys" letter from late fall last year. To refresh, our friend Melissa confessed to having made out with no less than six Notre Dame stags in the first semester, and unfortunately had yet to hear back from any of them. Not only was the shock value high, as this was a completely surprising and unexpected letter, but it was also highly entertaining.

However, some students were quite

unsympathetic. They responded with sarcasm and reproach. What started as something of a joke, soon turned into a dialogue on gender and the notoriously sketchy Notre Dame hookup culture. All fun was lost.

Speaking of gender issues, one subject lacking this year, and one I actually missed, was the quiet disappearance of the "Vagina Monologues" from the Viewpoint agenda. What happened to it? Listening to the defense of the vagina against those who wished to exploit it was always funny, and somewhat scandalous for our paper; at least before our friend Melissa pushed the boundaries of what is acceptable in The Observer.

For being a supposedly highly homogenous university, I never cease to be amazed by the diversity of opinion and activism of the student body in dialogue over all issues, big and small, serious and comical. With the election and economic issues at the forefront this year, the level of conversation was raised tenfold, and I sincerely hope it continues to reflect the spirit of the academy into next year and the future.

As a final sentiment, I personally would like to thank anybody out there who has read any of my columns this year, my editor Kara King, who hopefully will hire me again in the fall and to my friends who have helped me to shape my ideas and edit my columns. I wish good luck to all of the graduating seniors, and will see everybody else in the fall. As they say here in Japan, kampai!

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Serving our dual mission

Dear Editor,

The tension between being Catholic and being a university is constant at the University of Notre Dame, as it should be. When either has too great a pull, we fail to live up to our unique mission. Finding a balance is a never-ending, often contentious challenge.

The current fulcrum on which Notre Dame is trying to balance itself is our invitation to President Obama. The virulent response to his upcoming visit has weighed down the scale on one side, but not the side that cradles Catholicism.

Through dramatic demonstrations and verbal protests, members of the Notre Dame community are questioning authority. People are disputing the president's position on vital issues. They are speaking out, calling for change. Such is a defining role of universities in our society.

On the other hand, those vehemently opposed to Mr. Obama's visit, who would have Notre Dame's commencement exercises become a circus, are neglecting Notre Dame's duty to its Catholic identity, as exemplified by Blessed Father Basil Moreau, whose Holy Cross priests founded Notre Dame. In the face of adversity, Father Moreau responded with love, always with love. No minds

are persuaded by three-ring threats. No hearts are ever changed with angry insults shouted in frustration. If the goal is to uphold the dignity of life, perhaps the stronger strategy is to win hearts and minds with a display of intense confidence in that belief, and a welcome to join. Father Ted Hesburgh expressed this sentiment with his usual eloquence when he suggested that "quite often, the very fact of being here has changed the speaker." Finding balance between being Catholic and being a university may be Notre Dame's greatest challenge.

That dual mission, however, is what makes us who we are. It is in maintaining that delicate equilibrium that we can say with greatest pride, "We are Notre Dame."

As ever,

Sarah Hamilton Magill

alumna

class of 1986

April 14

Sarah Hamilton Magill served as Editor-in-Chief of The Observer for the 1985-1986 term.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The opportunity for brotherhood presents itself every time you meet a human being."

Jane Wyman
U.S. actress

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A smile is the shortest distance between two people."

Victor Borge
Danish comedian

Seventh grade and the Resurrection

For five years I taught religion to seventh graders during their last class period, five days a week. It wasn't easy. From the students' perspective, Jesus and I were standing between them and freedom.

Seventh graders question everything. The more sacred, the more they revel in questioning it. As a seventh grade teacher, your only choice, other than quitting, is to accommodate.

Fr. Lou DelFra

Faithpoint

So, I began to open class with a question and answer session. After a short reading from the Gospels, we came to the dreaded moment. Three students were assigned each day to come up with an insightful question about the Gospel passage.

They loved this moment. The room was a virtual frenzy as students tried to stump the teacher, and basically blow up the class before it ever had a chance to get off the ground. Domanique inquires where Mary and Joseph stashed all the gold that the wise men gave them. Or, Clara asks, with a smug smile, "Since Jesus didn't have a microphone when he was giving the Sermon on the Mount, how could the peo-

ple at the bottom of the mountain hear him?" (So young to be watching Monty Python!)

But, almost every day, someone asked, in some form, the Big Question: "How do we know any of this stuff really happened anyway?"

It's an impossibly frustrating question. Yet it occurred with such frequency that it was clearly a burning question for them. How do we know that Jesus is real?

To ask this question puts us in the place of the first disciples after the Resurrection. Recall, for example, the scene on the first Easter morning. Ten of the 11 remaining disciples are huddled together, in a locked room.

We can certainly relate. When we fail, when we get scared, when we feel loneliness, when we get self-absorbed, we have all turned inward, locking ourselves out from what gives us life.

And so, also, we can relate to the powerful appearance of the Risen Lord: Jesus Christ as the One who is able to walk precisely into that locked space; to breathe new life, fresh air, a Holy Spirit into us — like throwing open the windows on that first great day of Spring in a room that has

been shut up for the winter.

On this Easter morning, this is what happens to Jesus' closest companions — save one. Thomas is no where to be found. Where was he? All we know is that while the others had locked themselves in, Thomas had not.

The other disciples see Jesus, risen from the dead, and they tell Thomas the story. It's as if Thomas is us, hearing, all these years later, the Gospel account of what the others got to see first-hand. But as he hears, that question wells up in Thomas' soul, the same one that wells up, in its own way, in the souls of my seventh graders, in the souls of each of us from time to time: How can I be sure? Where is this Jesus, risen from the dead, in my life?

And Thomas even comes up with a test, to stump his teacher. "If only I can touch his wounds, then I will believe." It's become somewhat of an infamous test for Thomas, earning him the nickname, "Doubter." But after five years of teaching seventh grade religion, I suspect that it's not so much that Thomas doubted. But rather, that Thomas possesses a restless spirit — always curious, always questioning, always yearning, searching, testing. Taking nothing — not

even the death of his friend — sitting down. Thomas, I suspect, had a rather unquenchable and demanding heart, a yearning for a real relationship with Jesus, one that is intimate and incarnate.

And so, Jesus appears again in the middle of the locked room: "Put your finger here. Believe in me."

Perhaps Thomas represents our heart's deepest, as-yet-unfulfilled desire — to be one with our God, to touch him, to know, for certain, that he is alive, that death holds no more power over us, that our destiny is to be one with our beloved forever, in the flesh.

These desires don't ever get fully satisfied in this life — we live, always perhaps, with shadows of doubt. But happy are we whose yearning and longing drives us always closer to being one with our beloved, our Risen Lord.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Because some people didn't understand the first time

ND Response wishes to emphasize its position on the presence and participation of outside groups in its planned events from now until Commencement. As our original statement (March 25) says, "It is appropriate that only members of the Notre Dame community lead all events, and we ask outside groups to respect our responsibilities in this regard."

At no time has ND Response ever invited or endorsed the presence of third-party protesters; they are here as independent parties not affiliated with ND Response in any respect. It is our belief that, in many cases, the methods of these parties are counter-productive and will do more harm than good at Notre Dame. We are motivated by love of our University and have no desire to turn Commencement weekend — or the weeks leading up to it — into a "circus" of any kind. We are not agents of any outside organization. We are ND. As such, we will act as Notre Dame students: in a respectful and mature manner. We will not tolerate any other behavior on our campus.

Anyone who wants to turn our beloved University into a circus will merely end up looking like a clown. We are a serious organization; clowns have no place here.

Jeff Tisak
senior
Sorin College
April 9

Terrorism at ND

This is in regards to the story 'We Will Make This a Circus,' (April 8). In it, Randall Terry threatens, as the title suggests, to make my graduation a circus. In addition, he hopes this will scare other Catholic universities into not inviting pro-choice speakers to commencement ceremonies in the future. He does so even in the face of a senior class that, for the most part, supports Obama as commencement speaker.

He is using Notre Dame as just another step in his agenda. These do not seem to be the actions of a reasonable person. A reasonable person debates and is open to all ideas. A reasonable person tries to understand a situation from all angles. So I ask myself, who else uses these tactics? Who else employs fear to force one's beliefs on other people? These, I believe, are the characteristics of a terrorist.

He cares not what the graduating seniors think or how this could affect them. He is wholly single-minded in his pursuits with little care for the possible effects they could have on other people. He is concerned only with his ideology and how to make other people comply with it. Terrorism can only survive on these ideals, ideals that Terry are bringing to our campus.

As he now lives here, he might read this, so I implore him: talk about the issue. But do not use protest as a weapon of fear. The United States has a policy of not negotiating with terrorists. This is Notre Dame, and neither do we.

A.J. Radcliffe
senior
Knott Hall
April 8

Insanity

Mr. Terry,

While I applaud your enthusiasm and dedication to the pro-life cause, I seriously doubt your sanity.

Standing up for what you believe in? That's fine. Disagreeing vehemently over an issue? Absolutely, please do. But wanting to send an aborted fetus to the Commander-in-Chief of the United States of America? That's just crazy.

Mr. Terry, as an ardent supporter of life you claim that all humans should be valued and respected, but what are you doing when you post pictures of aborted fetuses all over South Bend? What are you doing when you arrange to have a dead fetus FedEx'ed to a president of the United States? You are devaluing and disrespecting human life by using these dead children as instruments to further your agenda. This is hypocrisy.

If you really want to take a cue from Martin Luther King as you aptly stated in your Observer article, you will remember that he told us that "like an unchecked cancer, hate corrodes the personality and eats away its vital unity. Hate destroys a man's sense of values and his objectivity. It causes him to describe the beautiful as

ugly and the ugly as beautiful, and to confuse the true with the false and the false with the true." You argue that hate is good. You once said "I want you to just let a wave of intolerance wash over you. I want you to let a wave of hatred wash over you. Yes, hate is good." Mr. Terry, what you do does not even begin to resemble the great work of MLK.

In my opinion, you foster hatred instead of working out of love, you encourage radical behavior and outrage instead of civil debate and constructive discussion, you revel in your sensationalism instead of actually making a difference. I hope you know that no matter how many aborted fetuses you want to disrespect and plaster outside the gates of Notre Dame, no matter what kind of inane "circus" you plan to create, President Obama will come here. He will speak to the Class of 2009. I will be there and you, Mr. Terry, will be stuck outside our gates.

Sincerely,

Allison Ciesielski
senior
off campus
April 8

Allow controversy

April 8th's Observer featured an article about Randall Terry and his radical plans to turn Commencement into a pro-life "battle." While I understand why so many pro-lifers are currently upset on this campus, I cannot see how at the same time Notre Dame is seemingly condoning the arrival of a man who boasts 40 arrests and claims to be willing to do anything for his cause.

Terry who "once arranged to have a dead fetus sent to Bill Clinton" ("We will make this a circus," April 8), came to South Bend to start his "battle" without so much as a whisper of disapproval from Notre Dame. I feel he is entitled to speak, but shouldn't the student body have some reaction to his moving to South Bend?

We seem eager and able to band together to keep our President from coming here because of his stance on one issue, but this radical citizen who paints blood on the mask of our president and harasses women on their way to abortion clinics gets no outcry. Is that because he is pro-life?

Until now I sat back and saw the good in both sides of this debate. But, this is

where I draw the line. We are sending a message to the world right now about who we are, and I feel it is a distorted view.

Media outlets have been spending their time focusing on the anti-Obama argument, and not the pro-Obama one. Because of this trend, I have received e-mails from back home asking for reassurance that not all Domers are reacting in the ways that the girl on Fox News and Randall Terry are reacting. Those e-mails made me think, "If these are the people speaking up for the University, what is the world going to think?" If the statistic is correct and 97 percent of seniors want Obama to be here on Commencement, then where is their news time?

So allow Obama, allow the controversy, allow Terry, allow the circus, but allow the other side of this debate the news coverage it deserves so that our University can show the multiple sides it has.

Christine Fagan
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April 8

GOLDEN AGE OF MUSIC UN



Student Bands

Blog Pays Tribute to Campus Acts of the '90s

By Stephanie DePrez
Assistant Scene Editor

Where do you go for live music at Notre Dame? Legends, AcoustiCafe, the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, and PEMCo, if it's in season. And that's about it.

Notre Dame wasn't always so short on selection. There was a time when live music abounded, campus groups played at parties and you could walk out of LaFortune and run into a guy asking you to join his band.

This is exactly what happened to Jim McNamee, whose band Pinch Point formed, played, recorded and broke up in the span of one semester under the Dome. Pitch Point is just one of many bands that had their heyday here in the '90s, using the Notre Dame college scene to channel and reinvent the indiepunk wave that swept the pre-millennium years.

There were more than 100 bands that formed here, practiced in off-campus basements and recorded demo tapes. And they are quickly being catalogued in one place, complete with band history, photos, and free downloads:

South Bend Power 90s (southbendpower90s.blogspot.com) is a blog dedicated to telling the story of the ND band scene of that late great decade. Started by Theodore Hennessey, '96, they "work to preserve, archive, and make available music that was played and recorded by the indiepunk college rock community in South Bend, Ind., during the 1990s." There are currently 39 bands posted, with many more to come.

Each entry provides a history written by the band members, photos of shows and rehearsals, and quite often a link to free downloads. It is an interesting trip to read up on the antics of bands that were boasting large campus followings

long before our time. There was an entire indie band subculture at Notre Dame in the mid-nineties, with bands inspiring each other and challenging each other to write new, different material. There were even campus CDs released, compilations of work from the many bands playing here.

Most bands of the day seemed intent on recording their original work, and many made demo tapes. Those tapes have now been converted to mp3 files, so it's very easy to hear for yourself exactly what was heard blasting out of Cavanaugh in '94. The entries are blunt, genuine and, in true punk style, often quite irreverent. ("I think this was largely due to me being from the Confederate South and somehow feeling more and more isolated in the Yankee dominated world of South Bend. Could also have been the clichéd searching of a young adult trying to find his way in the world," writes Chad Shaffler of

Tacklebox.) If nothing else, they are a witty travel log of how previous students from across the country dealt with finding themselves in the Midwest at a Catholic, conservative university in their late teen years.

The blog is constantly updated with new posts (each one from a different band). Often there are comments about what the band members are doing nowadays, from raising kids to using that engineering degree for writing adult fiction.

A piece of Notre Dame culture is thoughtfully being preserved, and not just for those who lived it. The blog is almost a calling-card for our generation to take up a guitar and some drum sticks and made music about anything. Bands of yesteryear were flourishing, and the best technology they had to work with was cassette tapes. Imagine what campus bands could do today.

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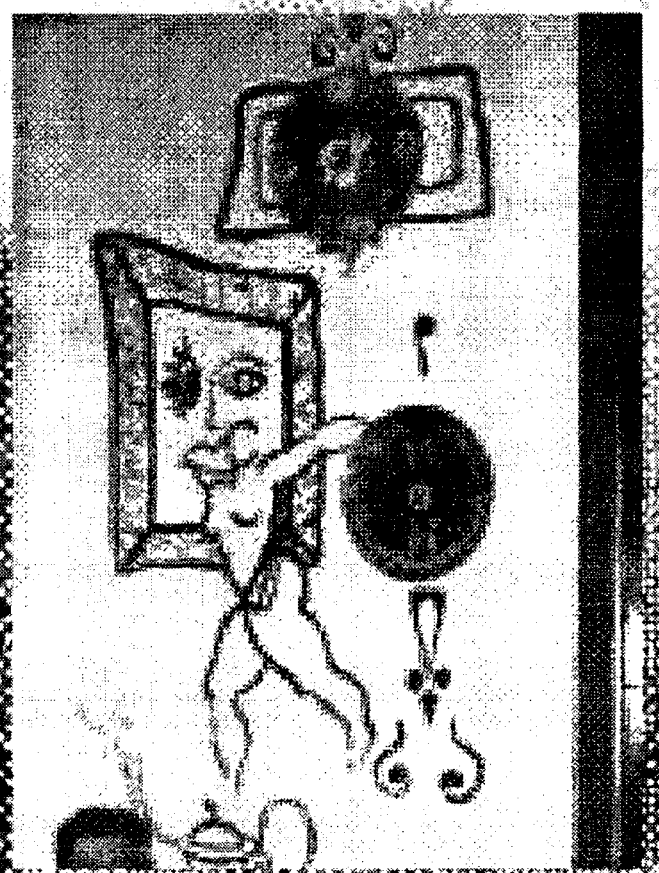
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What happened to Notre Dame's music scene? Throughout the 1990s Notre Dame students formed bands left and right, recording demo tapes, playing parties and local bars and clubs. Although Sweep the Leg Johnny and Chisel are the most famous indie bands formed by Notre Dame students, more than 20 other student groups emerged from 1989-2000 and created a sub-culture of live music at Our Lady's university that has virtually disappeared today.

The student body should be ashamed by this, especially in light of the thriving music scenes of other universities. The four members of alternative favorite Vampire Weekend met at Columbia. Two undergraduates at Harvard formed the band Chester French (playing tonight at Legends) and signed with Pharrell Williams' Star Trak record label as seniors. MGMT went to Wesleyan. Duke University is so proud of DJ/MC Mike Posner (a current junior) that his EP is featured on the university's iTunes U page. In light of these statistics from similar schools, Notre Dame's lack of practically any student-based music culture is even more glaring.

The South Bend/Notre Dame bands of the '90s recorded their demos and albums on tape decks, in local studios, and wherever they could find recording devices. We live in the age of GarageBand and other easy means of music preservation. The technology has made it so that any person with a computer can press a button and make an mp3 file of themselves playing instruments and singing. Myspace and Youtube have only simplified the ways a band or an artist can get

noticed. And yet the decline of Notre Dame's music scene persists.

Acoustic Café cannot be cited as an example of Notre Dame's student music life. One or two students with guitars in the LaFortune basement cannot compare to a rock band or a student MC in terms of popularity, cultural relevance and the potential for wider campus involvement. It says something about the university that the only ongoing student music night features acoustic sets rather than anything heavier (and potentially more appealing). Legends' upcoming "Battle of the Bands" is the only event wherein Notre Dame's music venues open the doors to student bands, and I plan to attend just to see if any of these elusive bands show up.

Ten years ago Notre Dame produced alternative music acts that toured the country and recorded albums. Notre Dame students also formed bands, recorded demos, and never played music again after they graduated. Now — nothing, or very close to nothing. Who's to blame for this continual decline? The university? The student body? Whatever it is, every person on campus should recognize the loss of live student music at our school and work to recreate a music scene. If you're in a band, email us at Scene and we'll write about you. If you play music, find others with instruments and think about writing some songs together. Every university should have a counterculture, even ones as traditional as Notre Dame.

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Ellie Hall

Scene Writer

Technology has made it so that any person with a computer can press a button and make an mp3 file of themselves playing instruments and singing. . . And yet the decline of Notre Dame's music scene persists.

The Power 90s Playlist



by Jordan Gamble

- 1 Love South Quad Style — The Catatonics
- 2 Sunburn — Chisel
- 3 Bottlerocket — decaf.
- 4 Limit '96 — Streganona
- 5 Abstractions — Sweep the Leg Johnny
- 6 First Steps — Sweep the Leg Johnny
- 7 She Said, He Said — Tweak
- 8 Banana 6 — emily
- 9 Dead Fish — Pinch Point
- 10 Stained Glass Window — Victoria's Real Secret
- 11 Beat Around the Block — Victoria's Real Secret

Using a file-sharing site, Theodore Hennessey '96 shares the wealth of music that came out of Notre Dame's campus at the end of the last century.

The collection is getting ever more comprehensive, but here is a sampling.

Sometimes the static overwhelms the vocals, but the tape-deck organic quality gives this music some extra character.

The tracks (and some artists have entire albums) even come with customized cover art.

All music available through the
South Bend Power 90s blog
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MLB

Jeter knocks in Ransom in ninth to beat Rays

Marquis outpitches Harden in victorious return to Wrigley; offensive spurts, Laffney help Cleveland escape road woes

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. —The road-weary New York Yankees headed to their new home on a high note.

Andy Pettitte pitched into the eighth inning, Robinson Cano hit a two-run homer and Derek Jeter singled in the go-ahead run in the ninth to lead the Yankees over the Tampa Bay Rays 4-3 Wednesday.

Jeter also doubled in the eighth and scored the tying run on Johnny Damon's double off J.P. Howell. He delivered the tiebreaking run against Troy Percival (0-1) following a one-out double to Cody Ransom.

New York concluded a nine-game, opening trip and returned home for Thursday's debut of the \$1.5 billion new Yankee Stadium, across 161st Street from the House that Ruth Built. CC Sabathia makes his first home start in pinstripes against his former team, the Cleveland Indians.

"It always seems as so the season doesn't really officially start until you have your home opener," Jeter said before the game. "I'm sure it's like that for most teams."

Pettitte, who allowed three runs and six hits in 7 1-3 innings, pitched the final game in the old ballpark last year but it wasn't his turn to pitch the opener in the new one.

He has been tough on Tampa Bay, going 15-4 in 25 career starts. At one point he won 12 consecutive decisions, though the Rays have fared better against him lately.

Brian Bruney (1-0) struck out the only two batters he faced to get the win. Mariano Rivera worked a perfect ninth for his second save in as many opportunities.

B.J. Upton and Carl Crawford delivered RBI doubles for Tampa Bay in the third. After Cano's two-run homer off Andy Sonnanstine made it 2-all in the fourth, Carlos Pena led off the bottom half of the inning with his fourth homer of the season for a 3-2 Rays lead.

Sonnanstine, who struggled with his command during a loss at Baltimore last week, allowed two runs and four hits in five innings. The right-hander struck out three and walked one before he was replaced by Joe Nelson.

The Yankees had little success against the Rays bullpen until the eighth, when Jeter lined a double over Upton's head in deep center field. Howell replaced Grant Balfour and gave up Damon's tying double down the right field line.

Howell steadied to keep New York from taking the lead. The

lefty struck out Mark Teixeira and Nick Swisher, then walked Jorge Posada intentionally before getting Cano to ground into an inning-ending force play.

Rockies 5, Cubs 2

Jason Marquis wasn't a fan favorite in his time with the Chicago Cubs, and if he didn't know it then, he does now. The Wrigley Field faithful booed him at every turn this week.

Marquis got some measure of revenge Wednesday, hitting a two-run single off Rich Harden to put Colorado ahead against his former team, then pitching the Rockies over the Chicago Cubs.

"Everybody has the right to react the way they want and feel the way they want," he said. "Obviously, that's not the way I was raised, to boo people, but everybody is different. If there was something I didn't like, I just didn't pay attention."

Marquis (2-0), who spent the previous two years with the Cubs, was jeered during introductions before Monday's home opener and again several times Wednesday. He hit a bases-loaded single in the second and allowed one run and five hits in seven innings.

Did this win mean anything extra?

"Not really," he said. "A little ammo to talk to the guys I'm friends with, but other than that, a win is a win. It feels great every time I get it."

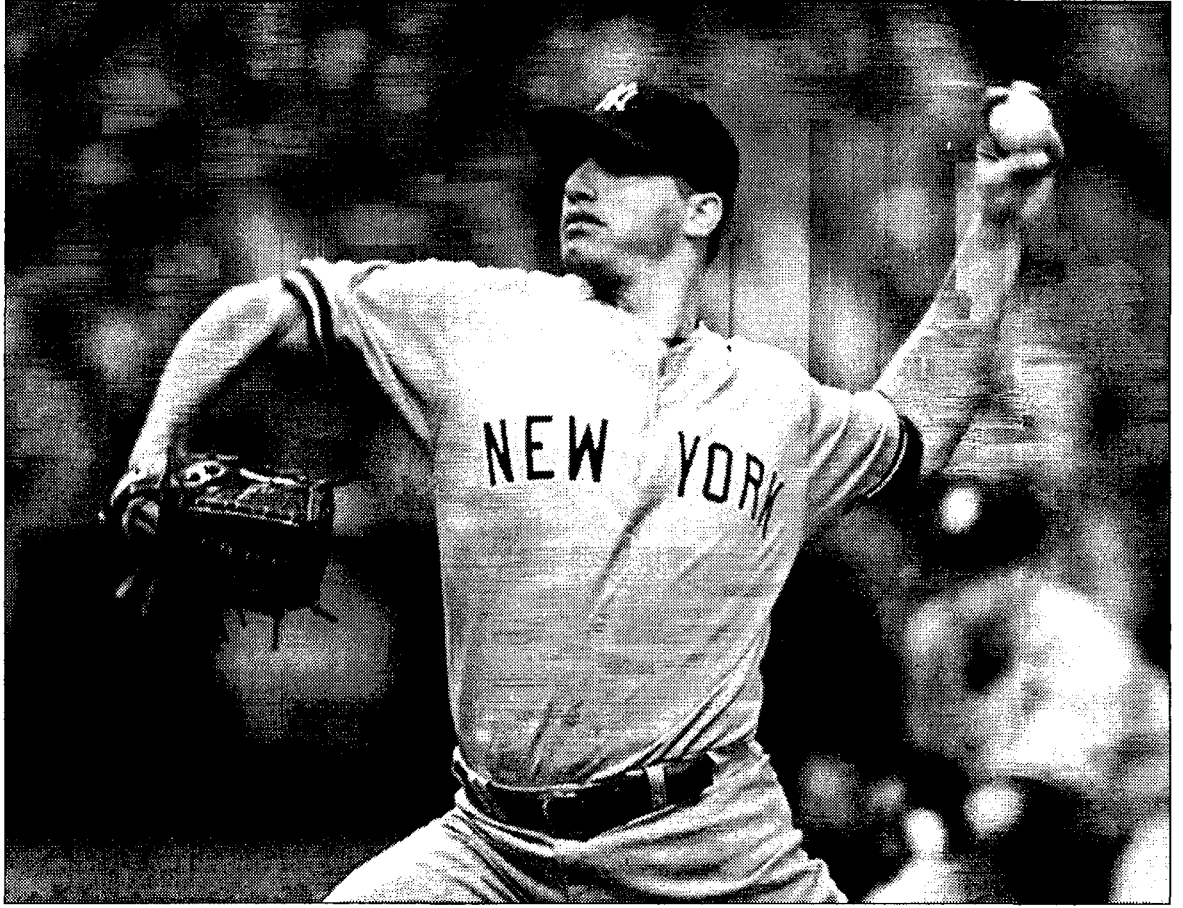
Rockies manager Clint Hurdle didn't talk to Marquis about pitching against his old club. He had a different take on Marquis' status among Cubs fans.

"He did pretty well here," Hurdle said of Marquis' 23-18 record with Chicago. "He pitched a lot of innings and won some games. I walked around the streets enough here the last couple of days and everybody told me they liked him."

Manuel Corpas followed Marquis with a hitless eighth before Huston Street got in trouble in the ninth, allowing a lead-off home run to Derrek Lee followed by a walk to pinch-hitter Mike Fontenot and a single to Reed Johnson.

Jason Grilli came in, and Fontenot was thrown out by Chris Iannetta trying to advance on a breaking ball in the dirt that got away from the catcher. Geovany Soto then hit into a game-ending double play, giving Grilli his second career save and first this year.

"At that point, I should've stayed at second," Fontenot said. "With Geo up, he could've tied the game with one swing. I thought the ball rolled farther away from him. I was trying to be



Yankees pitcher Andy Pettitte throws a pitch against the Rays Wednesday. Pettitte lasted into the eighth inning as the Yankees claimed the road series victory.

too aggressive."

Street is 0-1 with a save and a 13.50 ERA in four appearances. His status as closer is unclear.

"I've got a whole night and a whole 'nother day to figure something out," Hurdle said. "If we need to figure something out."

Seth Smith homered for the Rockies, who completed a two-game split on a cold afternoon with the wind blowing in.

Harden, rested for much of spring training to aid a balky shoulder, allowed four runs, five hits and four walks in three innings, his shortest outing since July 7, 2007, when he went 2-3 innings for Oakland against Seattle. He struck out eight but threw 92 pitches.

"He struck out the side in the first, but then he started to throw, instead of pitch," Cubs manager Lou Piniella said.

Harden has 18 strikeouts in two starts, but the Cubs lost both games.

"I felt good, maybe a little too good," Harden said. "It's something I've always fought, where I feel too good and I start throwing, instead of delivering every pitch with a purpose."

After Harden struck out his first four batters, Colorado loaded the bases on a pair of walks and an infield single. Clint Barmes then struck out, but Marquis singled to center on a ball Johnson couldn't come up with on a dive. Johnson did

throw out Iannetta at third to end the inning.

"Jason can swing it," Soto said. "I trust Harden's fastball anytime, but he got good wood on it."

Marquis, the 2005 NL Silver Slugger winner at pitcher, has a .211 batting average, five homers and 43 RBIs in 446 career at-bats.

Smith homered in the third, and Colorado made it 4-0 when Todd Helton doubled and Alfonso Soriano misplayed Garrett Atkins' single to left.

Pinch-hitter Micah Hoffpauir doubled in a run for the Cubs in the fifth, but pinch-hitter Dexter Fowler made it 5-1 with an RBI double in the eighth.

Indians 5, Royals 4

While failing to get a win on his 24th birthday, Aaron Laffey may have landed a job.

The left-hander, who almost made the rotation in spring training, went 5 1-3 innings and allowed only two runs Wednesday while Cleveland picked up its first road win and avoided a three-game sweep with a victory over Kansas City.

Travis Hafner's second double keyed a three-run seventh inning for the Indians, who hadn't been swept in KC since 2006 and were 0-5 on the road this year.

Asked if Laffey pitched well enough in his first start to stay in the rotation, manager Eric

Wedge sounded encouraging.

"He pitched well enough to earn that," Wedge said. "I thought Laffey was good. I was very impressed with his effort. He gave us every opportunity to win the game and we took it from there."

Called up from Triple-A Columbus to replace the injured Scott Lewis, Laffey gave up three hits and two runs, with three walks and five strikeouts.

"It's a pretty good way to celebrate my birthday," he said. "I'm only 24, but I feel old."

Jensen Lewis (1-0) issued three straight walks in the bottom of the seventh but still got the victory with 1 2-3 innings of relief. Kyle Farnsworth (0-2) gave up three runs while getting only one out in relief for the Royals.

After the Royals tied it 2-all in the sixth, Asdrubal Cabrera doubled leading off the seventh against Farnsworth and scored on an RBI single by Mark DeRosa, who has a five-game hitting streak and seven RBIs in eight games.

After Victor Martinez walked, Hafner hit an RBI double and Shin-Soo Choo made it 5-3 with a sacrifice fly.

The victory made the struggling Indians 1-5 on the road heading to New York for a four-game series that will open the new Yankee Stadium. It broke a six-game road losing streak dating back to last year.

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NCAA Men's Baseball USA Today/ESPN Top 25

	team	record
1	Georgia	29-6
2	Arizona State	25-8
3	LSU	26-9
4	Rice	25-8
5	North Carolina	27-9
6	Cal St. Fullerton	22-9
7	Miami (Fla.)	25-10
8	UC Irvine	22-9
9	Oklahoma	28-8
10	Texas	24-8
11	Georgia Tech	21-8-1
12	Arkansas	24-8
13	Baylor	23-10
14	Virginia	28-7-1
15	Coastal Carolina	29-7
16	Mississippi	25-10
17	East Carolina	26-9
18	Clemson	23-12
19	Oregon State	20-7
20	Florida State	21-11
21	Cal Poly	24-8
22	TCU	22-10
22	Texas A&M	21-14
24	San Diego	23-13
25	Florida	23-12

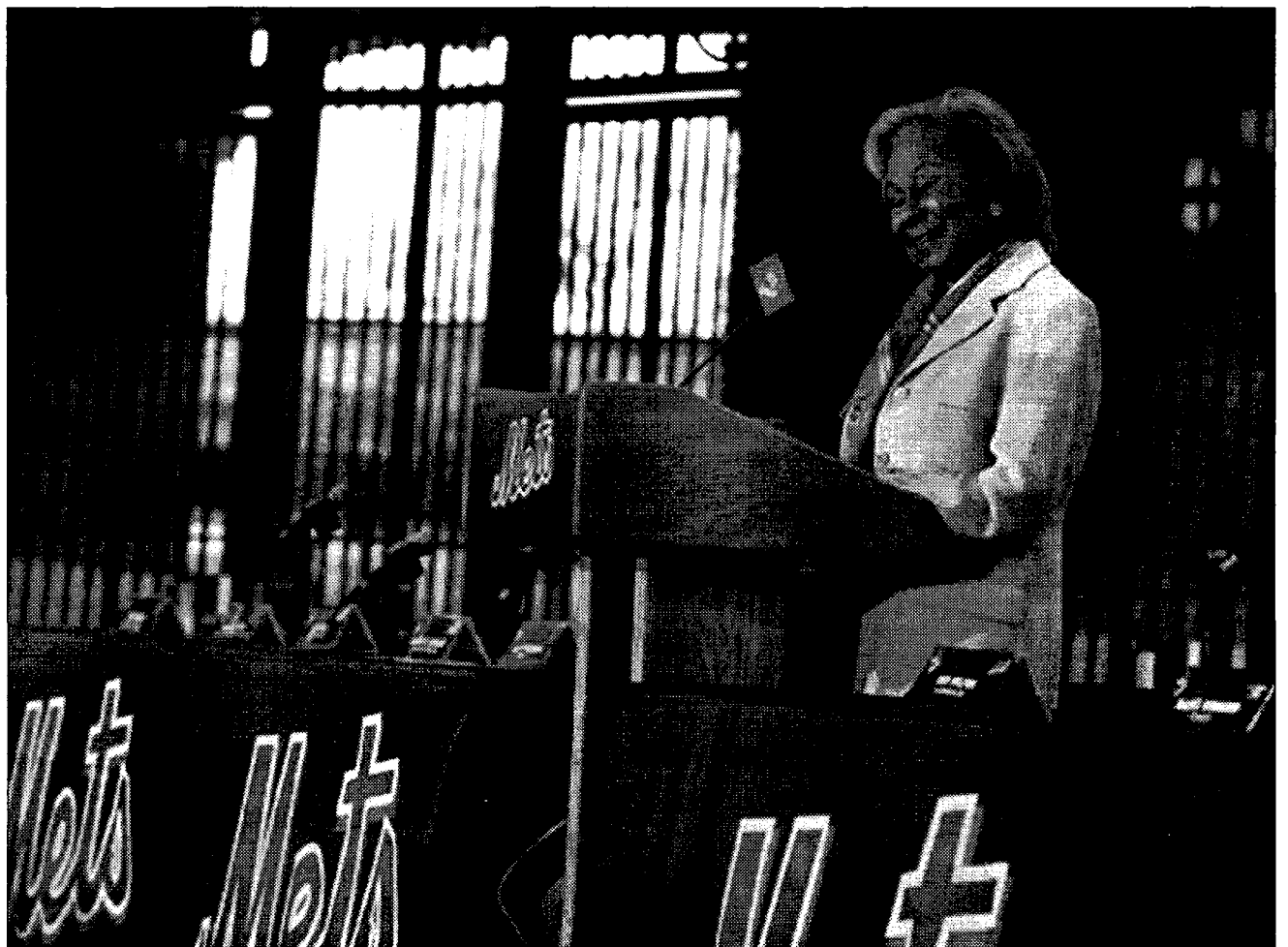
NCAA Softball USA Today/NFCA Top 25

	team	record
1	Florida	42-3
2	Stanford	35-3
3	UCLA	29-8
4	Washington	31-7
5	Arizona State	34-8
6	Georgia	29-7
7	Alabama	33-8
8	Michigan	29-9
9	Arizona	33-9
10	Northwestern	23-8
11	Missouri	36-5
12	Tennessee	33-9-1
13	North Carolina	37-7
14	California	28-12
15	Ohio State	32-6
16	Oklahoma	31-13
17	Louisville	36-5
18	LSU	25-10-1
19	Florida State	32-13
20	DePaul	24-9

NCAA Division I-II Men's Volleyball Top 15

	team	points
1	UC Irvine	240
2	Pepperdine	217
3	Cal St. Northridge	197
4	Stanford	190
5	Southern California	168
6	BYU	159
7	Penn State	150
8	Long Beach State	145
9	UCLA	115
10	UC San Diego	92
11	Ohio State	78
12	Lewis	63
13	UC Santa Barbara	39
14	Hawaii	26
15	Ball State	22

MLB



Rachel Robinson, wife of baseball legend Jackie Robinson, speaks during a ceremony dedicating the new Jackie Robinson Rotunda at Citi Field Wednesday. Robinson's number 42 is the only number to be retired by all of Major League Baseball.

Rotunda dedicated at Citi Field

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Introduced to a standing ovation, Rachel Robinson stepped to the podium at Citi Field and smiled as she gazed around the regal new rotunda that bears her husband's name.

Majestic, black and white photos adorn the brick and tile walls — Jackie Robinson with his Brooklyn Dodgers teammates, and pioneering general manager Branch Rickey. Robinson leaping high in a UCLA track uniform, walking tall in a cap and gown, kneeling with children as they show him their art work.

High above the ballpark entrance, an inscription of

his famous quote: "A life is not important except in the impact it has on other lives." At the other end of the room, an 8-foot, blue sculpture of his No. 42.

Grainy highlights of Robinson's life and career run continuously on two large video screens. One of the engravings on the terrazzo floor: Jack Roosevelt Robinson. 1919-1972. Trailblazer. Humanitarian. American.

"I'm speechless," Rachel Robinson said. "Jack was actually a very humble man. Some of you who are baseball fans wouldn't believe that because you only saw him on the field arguing with umpires and

trying to beat the other guys. But he was a very humble man. I think he would have been stunned by being acknowledged in this way and remembered in this way. It's so grand and so beautiful. And the rotunda is not just a physical space but it carries with it so many memories and so many messages."

On the 62nd anniversary of the day he broke baseball's color barrier — and changed America in so many ways — Robinson was honored Wednesday all around the majors with the sport's annual Jackie Robinson Day.

For the first time, however, all players, managers,

coaches and umpires wore No. 42, retired for every big league team in a 1997 ceremony at the New York Mets' old ballpark, Shea Stadium.

The team's new place, \$800 million Citi Field, features the Jackie Robinson Rotunda, a stately entrance behind home plate for fans to file through.

It was inspired by Ebbets Field, where Mets owner Fred Wilpon went to Brooklyn Dodgers games as a boy. He and Rachel Robinson worked together to help design the rotunda, with its 70-foot archways and 160-foot diameter floor an homage to the 27-foot-high, 80-foot wide Ebbets entryway.

IN BRIEF

Senate approves funding for Indy stadiums

INDIANAPOLIS — A Statehouse proposal that would allow Indianapolis to raise local taxes to save its cash-strapped stadium agency cleared the Indiana Senate Wednesday as the debate over who should pay for the bailout continued.

The Senate voted 33-17 Wednesday for a proposal to fund the Indianapolis Capital Improvement Board, which expects to be \$47 million short in its operation of the city's professional sports stadiums and convention center.

The bill would allow increases in Marion County's alcohol, car rental, hotel and ticket taxes with the extra cash going to the board. The bill could face changes as lawmakers try to create a solution for the board before the legislative session ends April 29.

Fan fights Yankees "God Bless America" ejection

NEW YORK — A baseball fan who says he was ejected from Yankee Stadium by police after he left his seat to use the bathroom during the playing of "God Bless America" sued the New York Yankees and the city on Wednesday.

Bradford Campeau-Laurion says in his federal lawsuit his rights were violated at an Aug. 26 game between the Yankees and the Boston Red Sox when he tried to pass a police officer.

The lawsuit said the officer did not let him take a step before grabbing his right arm and twisting it behind him. It said two officers marched him down several ramps to the stadium's exit, where he was pushed out as one officer told him to leave the country if he didn't like it.

Campeau-Laurion, a director of Web productions for a media company, does not participate in religious services and objects to being required to do so, the lawsuit said.

Indiana's Williams to leave at end of semester

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Indiana guard Nick Williams has decided to transfer to another school at the end of the semester.

The 6-foot-4 Williams, from Mobile, Ala., started 29 games as a freshman last season and averaged 8.9 points and 4.5 rebounds per game.

Coach Tom Crean said Wednesday that Williams, who opted out of a commitment with Marquette to join the Hoosiers last spring, was dissatisfied with his role this season and concerned about his future role in the program.

Williams said in a statement that he intended to look for another school after completing his work this semester.

Williams would have to sit out next season and then will have three years of Division I eligibility remaining.

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NFL

Jones-Drew agrees to deal with Jags

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Maurice Jones-Drew was one of the most productive running backs in the league the last three years, totaling 6,003 all-purpose yards and scoring 40 touchdowns despite splitting time with Fred Taylor.

With Taylor now out of the picture, the Jaguars expect even more from Jones-Drew.

His new deal proves it, too.

Jones-Drew signed a five-year, \$31 million contract Wednesday with Jacksonville that includes \$17.5 million guaranteed.

"It really was a matter of wanting more Maurice," Jaguars coach Jack Del Rio said. "We want Maurice on the field more often. We believe he's a feature guy and it's his time. We're excited about that."

Jones-Drew replaces Taylor, who parted ways with Jacksonville in February as the franchise's all-time rusher. Taylor, who signed with New England after getting released, ranks 16th in NFL history with 11,271 yards. The Jaguars believe Jones-Drew is capable of filling the void.

"I'm very confident this is the type of young man that will go out and continue to display the things that have made him so popular to begin with," Del Rio said. "He's gonna get plenty of work. We're excited about getting him the ball more often."

"We were doing the best that we could as a staff of recognizing the talent and paying the respect to Fred while he was here and couldn't wait to get Maurice in the game. Now, he's our guy."

Jones-Drew has 2,533 yards rushing and 1,408 yards receiving since Jacksonville made him a second-round draft pick in 2006. He has averaged 4.8 yards a carry, 9.5 yards a reception and

been at his best in goal-line and short-yardage situations.

He rarely fumbles, has few dropped passes and has a knack for making big plays and scoring touchdowns. He has become a leader in the locker room and a fan favorite because of his fearlessness, friendliness and flair for turning negative plays into first downs.

"I still love the game," Jones-Drew said. "I'm going to play the way I play. Nothing's going to change. You see some guys get paid and they kind of shut it down. That's not how I was raised, that's not how I ever played the game before. I'm going to continue to play and work hard and do everything I can to help this team win."

Jones-Drew led the team with 824 yards rushing last year, ranked second with 62 receptions for 565 yards and scored 14 touchdowns. He was one of the few bright spots on a team that was hampered by three key injuries along the offensive line and chemistry issues in the locker room.

The Jaguars struggled to a 5-11 finish, and players eventually pointed fingers at receiver Jerry Porter and cornerback Drayton Florence. The two signed huge free agent contracts before the season, then did little to merit the money.

Team owner Wayne Weaver responded by cleaning house. He parted ways with longtime personnel director James "Shack" Harris and several assistant coaches and then released Porter, Florence, Taylor and defensive end Paul Spicer. He also released troubled receiver Matt Jones and chose not to re-sign several free agents, including linebacker Mike Peterson, left tackle Khalif Barnes and receiver Reggie Williams.

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Thomas introduced as FIU coach

Associated Press

MIAMI — Isiah Thomas sat in his new gym for an hour, at one point turning his gaze toward the Florida International players he'll now coach.

"There'll be a lot of ups," Thomas said, almost in a cautionary tone. "There'll be a lot of downs."

He's experienced plenty of both, of course.

Without the ups, FIU wouldn't have wanted Thomas.

Without the downs, Thomas wouldn't have needed FIU.

And so begins a surprising basketball marriage that got under way Wednesday when Thomas was introduced as FIU's new coach, three days shy of the 1-year anniversary of his firing as coach of the New York Knicks. Thomas will not accept a salary in his first season, instead donating that money back to FIU, and will earn somewhere around \$275,000 in the final four years of his deal.

That doesn't count the \$12 million or so the Knicks will continue paying him over the next two years.

"I did not come here for the money," Thomas said.

Instead, he'll have a chance to rebuild his tarnished Hall of Fame image.

Thomas wants to move past the problems that marred his tenure with the Knicks, such as being the central figure in a sexual harassment lawsuit and, according to authorities, being found unconscious in his New York-area home last fall after someone at the residence called 911 to report someone overdosed on sleeping pills.

He was asked more than once about those events, never

offering specific details on either.

Instead, he said few people in the sports and entertainment world stay on the mountaintop for long, even citing Prince and Michael Jackson as examples.

"When you rise all the way to the top of your profession, no matter who you are, the journey to the top is great," Thomas said. "And then you've got to come down."

So he came down to FIU and a program that went 13-20 this past season, has lost 20 games in three of its last four years, and made its lone appearance in the NCAA tournament 14 years ago. There's 42 banners swaying in FIU's gymnasium and only two have anything to do with men's basketball.

"I like taking something from the bottom and trying to build it to the top," Thomas said. "There's a lot of risk in that and there is a lot of reward in that."

Thomas, a Hall of Fame inductee after a stellar playing career with the Detroit Pistons, coached the Indiana Pacers for three seasons, making the playoffs each time. He had two losing seasons in New York, and his career record in the NBA is 187-223.

"I've had three successful seasons and two losing seasons," Thomas said. "So I would say that I'm up."

Still, he acknowledged disappointment with his time in New York.

The Knicks never won a playoff game in his tenure as president or coach, and some of his personnel moves were disastrous.

"My regret is that I wasn't able to deliver what the people in New York wanted, and they

want a championship," Thomas said. "A lot of us have tried. ... I couldn't get it done."

FIU has "no doubt," athletic director Pete Garcia said, that Thomas can get it done now.

Thomas arrived outside FIU's basketball arena at 10:25 a.m. Wednesday, about an hour before his introductory news conference began, riding passenger in a sleek black Mercedes. Even before he could get out of the car, three well-wishers couldn't wait to greet him.

"Hey! There he is!" shouted one of the men, all of whom got handshakes from Thomas before the car pulled into a parking space.

"It's a landmark day in our history," Garcia said.

Nonetheless, Garcia was dogged by questions about Thomas' history, specifically the 2007 case where a jury ordered Knicks owner Madison Square Garden to pay \$11.6 million to a former team executive who alleged she was sexually harassed by Thomas, who continually maintained his innocence and was never found personally liable.

"It's safe to say the last two years have definitely taken a toll on my family," Thomas said. "Again, I'm extremely comfortable, and I think the university is comfortable in their findings and what were the facts of the case. It was two years ago. It was a heavy toll and price on my family. But I think all of us are comfortable with the people we are and what we stand for."

Garcia said FIU investigated Thomas, but would not say what he found or who he spoke with.

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NHL

Crosby leads the Penguins to opening victory

Lundqvist's 32 saves, Naslund's timely assist help the 7th-seeded Rangers upset the 2nd-seeded Capitals

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Almost seemed as if the Pittsburgh Penguins were playing last season's conference finals against the rival Flyers all over again.

The Penguins got a goal and an assist each from stars Sidney Crosby and Evgeni Malkin and shut down the frustrated Philadelphia Flyers' fleet of scorers for a 4-1 victory Wednesday night in the opening game of the first-round Eastern Conference playoff series.

Penguins goalie Marc-Andre Fleury, idle for long stretches in the first two periods as his teammates controlled play at the other end, made 26 saves as the Penguins won their fourth consecutive conference playoff series opener.

Eleven months later, the Penguins controlled the Flyers much like they did in winning the conference finals in five games last season, when they scored at least four goals in each victory and finished it off with a 6-0 rout in Game 5. Dating to Game 4 of those finals, the Penguins had scored 12 consecutive playoff

goals against the Flyers until Simon Gagne scored late in the third period with Pittsburgh leading 4-0.

The Flyers didn't like it, either, ending the game with three players in the penalty box as they tried to send a message through some physical play that Game 2 on Friday night won't be so easy.

This time, the Penguins put the pressure on early, built a multiple-goal lead while not letting Philadelphia sustain any offensive momentum and leaned on Fleury to make the big saves when the Flyers did make a push.

They also waited for Flyers mistakes, and there were plenty of them — the first of which was Philadelphia not holding a third-period lead Sunday at home against the Rangers. New York's 4-3 victory meant the Flyers opened the series in Pittsburgh rather than on their home ice, and it made a difference.

The Penguins also were disciplined, mostly staying out of the penalty box at the same time the Flyers took several careless penalties, including a hooking call on a tired Arron Asham that

led to Crosby's power-play goal at 4:41 of the first period. Asham couldn't get off the ice during a line change, stayed out for an extended shift and drew a pivotal penalty as Crosby scored 15 seconds into the power play.

Crosby threw the puck down low to Evgeni Malkin, whose rebound deflected off Crosby's skate, the goal post and goalie Martin Biron's right skate before settling into the back of the net. The goal was upheld after a video replay confirmed Crosby didn't intentionally kick the puck.

Tyler Kennedy made it 2-0 at 1:39 of the second after Braydon Coburn turned the puck over in the neutral zone, allowing Jordan Staal to start an up-ice rush that ended with Kennedy chipping the puck into the top of the net.

Philadelphia, held without a shot for the first 10 minutes of the second, finally started pressuring late in the period and was on the power play to start the third because of a Brooks Orpik elbowing penalty. Mike Richards put off a shot off the right post in the opening minute of the third — a goal would have cut it to 2-1

— but Scott Hartnell's tripping penalty shortly after that blunted any momentum the Flyers were building.

Malkin made it 3-0 at 6:28 after another giveaway. Mike Knuble tried to bank a pass off the back wall, but the puck skittered to Malkin and he quickly snapped it past Biron. Defenseman Mark Eaton scored four minutes later to make it 4-0, his first goal in 24 career playoff games.

Richards hit the post again later in the third, but the puck rebounded to Gagne for the only goal by the Flyers, the first NHL team in 15 years to have six players with 25 or more goals in a season.

Rangers 4, Capitals 3

With the score tied in the third period, the New York Rangers did what they do best — kill off a power play. Then Markus Naslund popped out of the penalty box and set up the winning goal.

Naslund fed Brandon Dubinsky, who made a move that left Jeff Schultz sprawled on the ice. Dubinsky then beat goalie Jose Theodore inside the near post with 8:17 remaining, lifting the Rangers to a victory over Alex Ovechkin and the Washington Capitals in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference series.

Scott Gomez had a goal and two assists, Nik Antropov and Naslund each had a goal and an assist, and Henrik Lundqvist made 32 saves to help the seventh-seeded Rangers take the early series momentum against the second-seeded Capitals.

Tomas Fleischmann, Viktor Kozlov and Alexander Semin scored the goals, and Ovechkin had a pair of assists for the Capitals, who will try to pull even when they host Game 2 on Saturday. Jose Theodore made 17 saves for Washington.

The Rangers, the NHL's best penalty killers during the regular season, uncharacteristically allowed two power-play goals — the first time in 30 games they've allowed more than one — but they shut the Capitals down when it mattered. Naslund was

whistled for infractions twice in the game's final 12 minutes—the second time for slashing Ovechkin — but Washington's No. 2-ranked power play came up empty both times.

While much of the focus was on the Capitals' power play vs. the Rangers' penalty kill, it was New York's supposedly anemic man-advantage unit — ranked 29th in the league — that swung the momentum in the second period.

Antropov and Naslund scored power-play goals on back-to-back shots to give New York a 3-1 lead. The Capitals rallied to tie when Kozlov netted late in the second and Semin on a power-play early in the third.

The Capitals will rue the fact that they dominated a first period that ended scoreless. They outshot the Rangers 14-4, and Ovechkin was active with six shots and six hits — including had a few tit-for-tat exchanges with Marc Staal. The league's leading goal-scorer put on a nice move to get around Michal Rozsival, but his point-blank shot was stopped by Lundqvist.

Among the other highlights: Rangers bad boy Sean Avery, trying his best to agitate the Capitals, drew a holding penalty for stuffing his glove in John Erskine's face. Avery and Mike Green had more than their share of confrontations, and Avery shoved his stick into Theodore's chest in the game's final moments.

Washington got on the board 6:40 into the second period when Ovechkin steadied a pass from Green with his left skate before wristing a shot that was deflected by Fleischmann to Lundqvist's stick side.

The red-clad Capitals fans in the sold-out Verizon Center were still celebrating when the Rangers tied the score about a minute later — thanks to a crafty play by Avery. With Gomez carrying the puck down the left side of the neutral zone, Avery tripped Green from behind near the blue line — a move just subtle enough to avoid a penalty — leaving Gomez plenty of room to skate in and beat Theodore at the 7:49 mark.

Antropov put the Rangers ahead 2-1 with a power-play goal at 18:25, double-clutching on a wrist shot inside the far post past screened goalie Theodore.

Less than a minute later, Sergei Fedorov was whistled for delay of game before clearing the puck over the boards — the second time the Capitals were guilty of that infraction — and the Rangers capitalized when Naslund took a drop pass from Gomez and ripped a slap shot past Theodore, who barely moved and again appeared to be screened.

The Capitals regained some momentum going into the intermission when Backstrom worked the puck down the left-hand side and slid a perfect pass to Kozlov, who was charging toward the crease to convert the easy goal with 49 seconds left in the period.

The Capitals then tied the score 1:42 into the final period on a power play after Ovechkin drew a tripping penalty on Dan Girardi. Ovechkin, near the goal line to the left of the Rangers net, put a shot off of Lundqvist's arm. Semin poked the rebound into the net.

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MLB

Wakefield takes no-hit bid into eighth inning

Lowell, Drew hammer home runs to support knuckleballer in effort to give bullpen a well-deserved rest

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — When Tim Wakefield stopped by Terry Francona's office Wednesday morning, he already realized the Boston Red Sox were staggering. They had lost six of seven while struggling to hit, and their bullpen was gassed after pitching 11 innings last night.

"I understand the circumstances of today," Wakefield recalled telling his manager. "No matter what, don't take me out."

Francona never even had to consider it. His 42-year-old knuckleballer helped the Red Sox get a whole lot better with one of the best performances of his long career.

Wakefield took a no-hitter into the eighth inning in a masterful display of his unusual art, finishing with a four-hitter Wednesday in Boston's slump-snapping 8-2 victory over the Oakland Athletics.

Wakefield (1-1) got within five outs of the first no-hitter of his 17-season major league career, nearly becoming the second-oldest pitcher to accomplish the feat after Nolan Ryan, who did it twice when he was older than Wakefield's 42 years, 256 days.

Kurt Suzuki broke it up with a one-out single to left for the A's, and Landon Powell had an

RBI single later in the inning. Wakefield also gave up Matt Holliday's run-scoring double in the ninth, but escaped one last jam before getting hugs and congratulations from each of his teammates.

"They were really aggressive early, and then something kind of clicked in the second or third inning," Wakefield said. "I'm not disappointed. Obviously (a no-hitter) is something that's great to try to get, but the most important thing was to preserve our bullpen."

With an off-day Thursday, consider the bullpen preserved—and a potential early-season crisis avoided.

Mike Lowell hit a two-run homer in the second inning and J.D. Drew added a three-run drive during the six-run eighth for the Red Sox, who were off to their worst start since 1996.

Boston slumped to 2-6 Tuesday night with a 6-5 loss in which starter Daisuke Matsuzaka couldn't make it to the second inning, forcing six relievers to work into the 12th in frigid Oakland temperatures.

"You have to be more economical when you have to go deep into the game," Wakefield said, explaining his plan to go straight at hitters, particularly in the late innings. "You have to throw more strikes, and I

was concentrating on that. I was just thankful that I got to the eighth very easily."

Although Wakefield has been a dependable member of Boston's rotation since 1995, he has never allowed fewer than three hits in a complete game—though he once took a no-hitter into the ninth at Tampa Bay, a game he recalled only vaguely. He also didn't pitch particularly well down the stretch last season during the Red Sox's run to the AL championship series, failing to get out of the third inning of Game 4 against Tampa Bay.

Rarely cracking 70 mph on the Coliseum radar gun, Wakefield retired Oakland's first 15 hitters, mostly on harmless grounders and pop-ups. Suzuki reached first on an error by Lowell at third base to open the sixth, but Wakefield easily got out of the inning.

"I had to mess up (the perfect game), but I thought something special was going to happen," Lowell said. "We needed something like that, and Tim came through for us."

Wakefield walked Mark Ellis

to open the eighth, and Suzuki rapped a single to left. Fans of both teams gave a loud ovation to the knuckleballer, who stranded two A's on base moments later.

"We hit the ball hard off him, and they made a few good plays," Ellis said. "The way the ball moves, you think it's going away, and all of a sudden it breaks back over the plate. A knuckleball is kind of a flip of the coin: some days it's on. You don't see it very often."

Wakefield, who hadn't won in seven games and five starts in Oakland since

September 1999, threw his first complete game since May.

Wakefield's brilliance overshadowed Brett Anderson (0-2), Oakland's 21-year-old rookie left-hander. He looked sharp in just his second major league appearance, allowing just five hits and two walks through seven innings.

"He's throwing up zeros, and you're trying to put up zeros," Anderson said after commiserating with fellow A's starter

Trevor Cahill, who lost a 1-0 decision to Seattle's Erik Bedard last Sunday. "We need some luck, but as long as we keep pitching like that, we'll be fine."

Before the game, Boston put Matsuzaka on the 15-day disabled list with a mild right shoulder strain. Matsuzaka has struggled in two starts this season after winning three games and the MVP award at the World Baseball Classic.

Lowell connected for his second homer of the season after Jason Bay's two-out single in the second. Lowell's fly landed on the shelf above the left-field scoreboard that divides the stands from the field, getting out of the park by a few inches.

Orlando Cabrera and Jack Cust both came close to getting hits for Oakland in the seventh, but Boston's defense rescued Wakefield. Drew made a running grab of Cabrera's drive to the outfield, and Nick Green made a twisting leap to snag Cust's bloop to shallow center.

After David Ortiz hit an eighth-inning double for his first extra-base hit of the season, Drew put his second homer of the season deep into the right field stands. Green and Jacoby Ellsbury hit run-scoring singles later in the eighth.

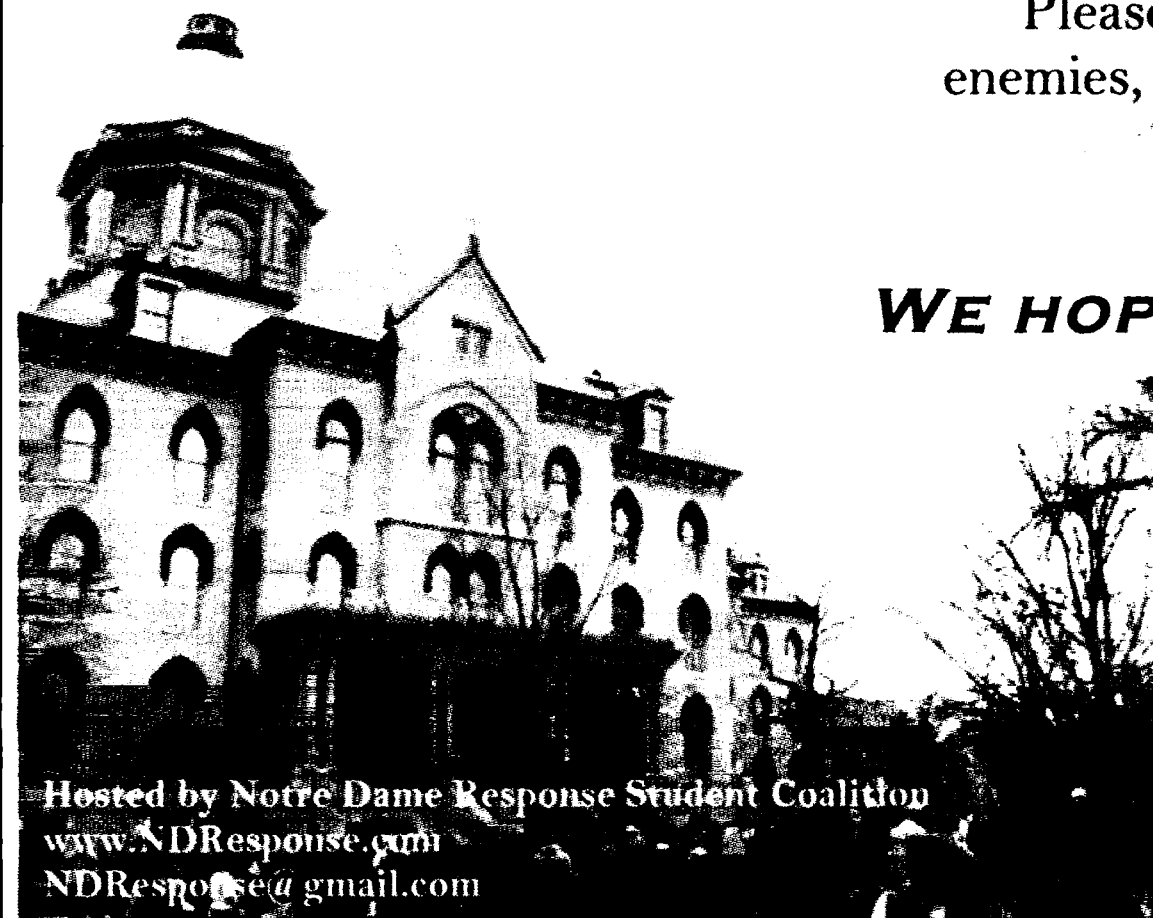
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MLB

Mets get first win at Citi

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oliver Perez rebounded from a rough season debut and the New York Mets earned their first victory at Citi Field, beating the stumbling San Diego Padres 7-2 on Wednesday night.

Carlos Delgado homered and Perez pitched six smooth innings to help New York end San Diego's five-game winning streak. The Padres spoiled Monday night's opener at the \$800 million ballpark with a 6-5 victory over the mistake-prone Mets.

After giving up eight runs and five walks in 4 1-3 innings against Cincinnati last week, Perez (1-1) held the Padres to one run and three hits. The often-erratic lefty walked only two and struck out four.

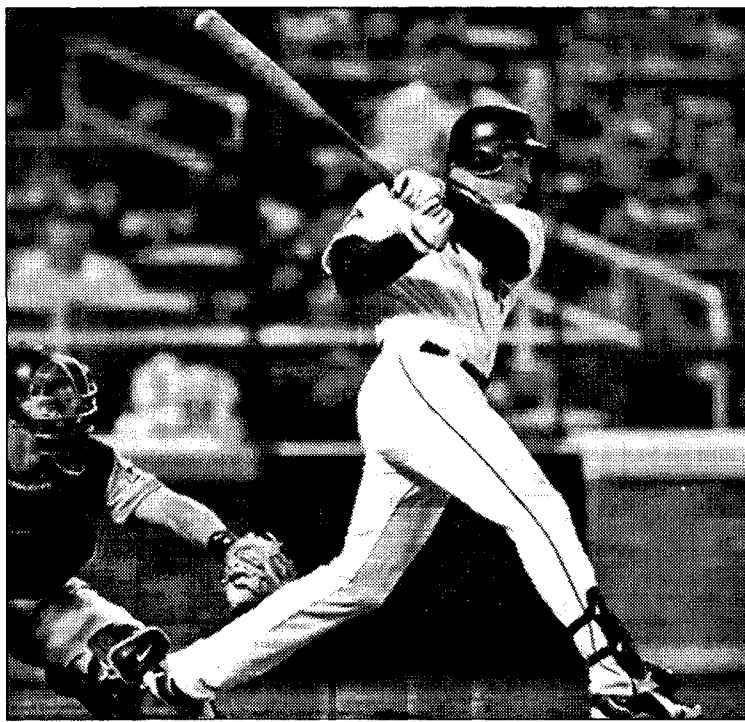
Bobby Parnell, J.J. Putz and Sean Green finished up as New York celebrated Jackie Robinson Day with a comfortable win.

One home run shy of 500, Gary Sheffield got his first start for the Mets, in right field. He went 0-for-2 with a walk and scored a run.

Making his first start in the outfield since May 16 last year with Detroit, Sheffield handled two fly balls without a problem. The 40-year-old slugger signed with the Mets on April 4, four days after he was released by the Tigers in a surprise move.

It wasn't all good news on Wednesday for the Mets, however. No. 2 starter Mike Pelfrey has tendinitis in his pitching forearm and could miss his next scheduled start Sunday against Milwaukee.

San Diego threw the ball all over the place in the seventh



Carlos Beltran swings and misses in the Mets' victory over the Padres Wednesday.

inning—except over the plate. Three walks, two wild pitches and an ugly error helped New York score four runs on one hit, a bunt single by Luis Castillo.

Luke Gregerson opened the inning by throwing 10 straight balls before he was lifted for Edward Mujica. On the next pitch, Castillo dropped a nice bunt toward third that loaded the bases.

With pinch-hitter Ryan Church facing an 0-2 count, Sheffield scored when Mujica uncorked a high wild pitch. After Church struck out and Jose Reyes was intentionally walked, Daniel Murphy's sacrifice fly made it 4-1 Mets.

Castillo scored from third on

another wild pitch. Reyes stole second base on the same delivery and raced all the way around the bases when catcher Nick Hundley threw wildly toward the plate for an error in an attempt to get Castillo.

In the eighth, Delgado hit a leadoff homer against Luis Perdomo into the second deck in right field. It was a harsh welcome for Perdomo, who was facing his first batter in the majors.

Adrian Gonzalez homered in the ninth for the Padres, his second of the series.

New York loaded the bases with nobody out in the fourth on singles by Murphy and David Wright, plus a walk to Delgado.

SMC TENNIS

Belles beat Bethel in cross-town matchup

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's (6-7, 1-2 MIAA) beat cross-town rival Bethel Wednesday 7-2, when it came away from the doubles competition with three wins that got it started on the right foot.

"We have been trying to improve in doubles," coach Dale Campbell said. "We also need to work on finishing our singles matches."

The Belles received strong contributions from sophomore Betsy Reed in the match, as Reed teamed up with fellow sophomore Jessica Kosinski to defeat senior Jade Jones and sophomore Serena Frey 8-6.

"My personal goal is to contribute to the team in the best way possible," Reed said. "I want to do what is best for the team so we can achieve our goal of winning conference."

Sophomore Jillian Hurley and junior Camille Gebert also teamed up for a win at No. 1 doubles against senior Bree Oles and sophomore Carrie Edison by the same score.

Sophomores Franca Peluso and Jessica Camp were able to win their No. 3 doubles match 8-5 to earn the sweep for the Belles.

Hurley defeated Jones in straight sets at No. 1 singles, while Gebert defeated Edison by only dropping three games in her match.

"Jade has had a great career

for us," Bethel head coach John Natali said. "Carrie Edison has also come on strong again this season playing No. 2 singles and No. 1 doubles. They have shown great leadership on the court."

Kosinski won a tough match at No. 3 singles in three sets by a score of 6-4, 5-7, 10-5 over senior Sherra Millender.

Reed earned her second win of the day at No. 4 singles to round out the victories for the Belles by defeating Frey again while only dropping one game.

Camp dropped her No. 5 singles match against junior Julia Horn 6-3, 6-0, while fellow sophomore Laura Arnold also dropped her No. 6 singles flight against freshman Brittany Anglin.

Next up the Belles will be taking on MIAA rival Kalamazoo Saturday.

"This weekend against Kalamazoo will be a great test for us," Reed said. "We are looking forward to a solid team win."

The Belles are coming off of two tough losses in the conference to Calvin and Albion.

Campbell said he hopes the tough loss to Albion will motivate the team because they know they are close to pulling out those close matches.

The Belles will host Kalamazoo on Saturday beginning at 1 p.m.

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'Cats

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struck first in the top of the first. Second baseman Trevor Stevens reached first on a bunt single and was driven home on third baseman Chris Lashmet's double to put the Wildcats on the scoreboard.

Northwestern added another run off freshman lefty Ryan Richter in the third, but Notre Dame was fortunate to escape down only two. Richter began the inning with a walk, consecutive singles, and another walk, giving up one run and loading the bases with no outs. Richter, who was making his first career start, then settled down, forcing a pop-out and striking out two to escape the inning.

The Irish never threatened Wildcats' sophomore pitcher Eric Jokisch until the fifth, when junior first baseman Casey Martin and senior shortstop Jeremy Barnes started the frame with singles. Jokisch then induced two ground balls and a fly to deep center.

Jokisch held Notre Dame to just four hits and no runs over five innings pitched. The sophomore was accurate and efficient with his pitches, striking out three and making it through five innings on only 55 pitches.

"You have to tip your hat to Jokisch," Notre Dame coach Dave Schrage said. "We knew we had a challenge with him on the mound ... he's one of the top pitchers in the Big Ten."

The Wildcats struck again in the top of the seventh, with the designated hitter Vercelli blasting a pitch from Irish reliever Todd Miller into the bleachers in left field.

"I started out 0-for-3, and my fourth at-bat I got aggressive," said Vercelli. "I didn't think I hit it good enough, but the left fielder kept trailing, kept trailing, and it went over."

Notre Dame finally got on the

board in the bottom of the seventh, when Barnes launched a homer of his own into the opposite-field bullpen in right. It was a bit of déjà vu for Barnes, who homered to almost the exact same spot at U.S. Cellular last year when Notre Dame took on Northern Illinois.

"He's been our leader all season long as far as hitting goes, and likes hitting in this ballpark," Schrage said.

Vercelli added a couple of insurance runs for Northwestern in the top of the ninth, hitting his second homer of the night down the line in left field off Irish reliever Steven Mazur, scoring Lashmet, who had walked.

"I was looking slider, and it came up slider," said Vercelli. "To hit a home run [in a major league stadium] is a dream come true, and to hit two is a fantasy."

Northwestern coach Paul Stevens was thrilled with his team's performance, much of which he attributed to their excitement at playing in a major league stadium.

"I can't even tell you how excited I am," Stevens said. "They were overwhelmed just walking through the front of this place ... tonight all our hard work and persistence paid off."

Barnes and catcher Cameron McConnell led the Irish offense with two hits each. Richter took the loss for the Irish, but struck out a career-high six batters.

Schrage said he hopes Notre Dame can continue the recent tradition of playing at U.S. Cellular.

"It was outstanding to play here, we did it last year and it was every bit as good this year as far as the ballpark and the crowd," said Schrage. "Hopefully we can keep doing this in the future. It was a great atmosphere."

The Irish return to action this weekend at home with a three game series against Big East opponent West Virginia.

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Piane

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at this weekend's events.

"We're really trying to get some more kids qualified for the Big East [tournament] and NCAA [Tournament]," Piane said. "That's our goal. The kids who are running this weekend are doing so for that opportunity."

After a string of tournaments throughout the country, this weekend will be a breather for those athletes that have earned qualifications. This weekend marks the last chance for the Irish to pick up any more invitations

for the Big East championships.

"The kids that aren't running are resting up after a brutal stretch of meets," Piane said. "We're trying to get as many people qualified as possible, especially since a few people have been really close, [senior] Dan Clark, example. The [Mt. Saint Antonio College Relays] is a great meet, with nearly 8,000 competitors, to get some people qualified."

Clark has missed the cut narrowly several times this season. He earned invitations to both the Big East and NCAA championships in his junior year.

The Mt. SAC Relays kick off

this evening at 5:30 p.m. One of the oldest and largest events in the country, the Mt. SAC Relays features thousands of athletes competing at the high school, collegiate and professional level in both track and field events.

Other members of the Irish teams will head to Purdue's Dave Rankin Invitational for competition Friday and Saturday. After the Big East championships next week, the team will head to the Georgia Tech Invitational as a final tune-up before the NCAA Championships at the end of May.

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Scioscia

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junior attack Gina Scioscia added two goals and three assists, and a single goal from freshman midfielder Megan Sullivan finished off the Irish scoring.

Leading the Commodore offense with six goals and an assist was junior attack Sarah Downing, followed close behind by sophomore attack Katie Denkler with four goals and an assist. Junior midfielder Carter Foote, freshman midfielders Ally Carey and Alex Priddy and senior midfielder Cara Giordano each added two goals for Vanderbilt.

For the second consecutive game, Notre Dame's biggest issue was getting its offense started. The Commodores started off the game with a 2-1 lead after goals from Downing and Denkler 45 seconds apart with Abt putting one of her own in the net. But after Abt put the Irish on the board, the Commodores went on a four-goal run to lead 6-1.

Byers put the Irish back in the game after scoring off of an assist from Scioscia before the Commodores netted another four goals. Scioscia closed the half with her first goal of the game, after midfielder Shannon Burke intercepted a Commodore pass and notched an assist, to make the score 10-3.

The Irish defense stepped up at the start of the second half

as senior goalkeeper Erin Goodman managed to hold off the Vanderbilt offense until the 21:40 mark when Denkler netted her fourth goal of the day, extending the lead to 11-3. From here, the Irish offense went on a four-goal streak from Abt, Scioscia, Sullivan, and Byers over the next four minutes to cut the Commodore lead to 11-7 in hope of repeating the comeback made last Saturday at Syracuse.

Vanderbilt had different ideas, however, and scored three of the next four goals. The only Irish player to briefly halt their scoring drive was Abt, with her third goal of the game, in between goals from Giordano, Carey, and Downing. Downing continued to score twice more in the final minutes of the game, as well as goals from Foote and Carey. Byers put up two more and Abt one to finish the game at 18-11.

Goodman finished with nine saves off of Vanderbilt's shots, while the Commodores' Willis had 17 in her 57:08 minutes of play. Senior goalkeeper Rachel Woolford stepped in to play the final minutes, stopping two shots.

The Irish will hope to end their two-game losing streak Saturday as they close out their Big East season against Connecticut at home in a noon game at Alumni Field. The Irish seniors, playing in their final home game, will be honored prior to the start of the game.

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for Jared's to handle.

"Our team works real well together, and we had really good spacing, so a lot of the time we just spread the floor and let our guys do work," Manny said. "Credit those guys, they're a tough team."

Anlan Properties 21, Innovation Nation 14

Both teams were cold from the floor to start the game, but it didn't take long for the Anlan shooters to find their strokes and cruise to a 21-14 victory in the sectional finals. Innovation may have brought more hustle to the contest, but Anlan's sharp shooting prevented the game from being close.

"We played tough, we played pretty well the whole tournament and they were definitely the toughest team we've faced," Anlan captain Joe Seib said. "I got to give the refs a lot of credit, they called a good game, but we got a lot of tall guys so it helps us on the boards."

But the biggest contributor on the Anlan side was the 5-foot-9 track and field standout Tyrell Atkins, who proved that his athletic talents extend beyond the 60-meter dash. Atkins finished with 12 points, highlighted by a one-handed dunk on a fast break early in the second half.

Despite their spirited effort, Nation couldn't buy a shot for most of the contest as sloppy passing and over-aggressive shooting caught up to them early on. Captain Ryan Winiarski and guard Pat Richel

led the way for Nation, driving to the basket and hitting key jumpers to keep Anlan on their toes.

"We just couldn't score for 10 minutes," Winiarski said. "We started picking it up in the end, but we didn't get any rebounds and we just couldn't make a bucket."

No. 8 Kramer Properties 21, No. 21 Nunc Dimittis 11

In a highly anticipated matchup, Kramer Properties outpowered and defeated Nunc Dimittis Wednesday afternoon.

Both teams came out of the gate with high energy, but over-anxiousness and jitters led to a flurry of turnovers and no baskets in the opening minutes. However, Kramer junior Tommy Mumford blocked a shot, and the turnover led to the first point of the game, setting the tone of the contest.

"They were a great team, but we played well. The plan was to crash boards and keep the ball moving on offense, that worked out well for us," Kramer Properties captain Joe Marrell said. "As we get deeper in the tournament our teamwork and mental toughness are going to keep us going against these strong, fit teams."

Kramer Properties opened up the game with a 4-1 run, and continued to score two or three baskets for every one drained by Nunc Dimittis. Strong inside play and drawn fouls were the key to their 11-4 halftime lead, including a 4-for-5 performance from the free throw line.

Nunc Dimittis, under the leadership of Keogh Rector Father Pete McCormack, C.S.C., came

out strong in the opening moments of the second half, but Kramer Properties' speed and size advantages took control. The score was pushed to 15-6, but momentum shifted to Nunc Dimittis when Mumford missed a breakaway dunk.

Guard Charlie Keller's outside shooting brought the game within reach, but once again Kramer Properties had an answer, as the outside shooting from sophomore Frank Carl and the inside domination from senior Lance Ladendorf and fifth-year senior Matt Hamel.

"Those guys are a terrific team, some very classy guys who were a pleasure to play," Fr. McCormack said. "This tournament is such an amazing experience, it is my eighth year of playing and I always have a great time. I'll definitely be back next year to enjoy the fun."

No. 10 Monstars 21, No. 23 Night on the Town 17

Led by solid play from their big men, the No. 10 Monstars defeated No. 23 Night on the Town in a game that was more one-sided than the score indicates.

The Monstars used an in-and-out offensive style, starting each possession by trying to get the ball inside to their big men, who would work the defense and find their teammates for open looks. Captain Ryan Hornacek and juniors Patrick Dollard and Andrew Derksen rotated through the post throughout the game, using their size and strength to overpower Night on the Town.

"We try to get the ball inside and take advantage of mismatches when we can,"

Hornacek said.

Both teams were in foul trouble early, and it looked as though Night on the Town was going to take advantage, hitting some early free throws to keep the game close in the first half. The Monstars struggled with their free throw shooting, which allowed Night on the Town to hang around. "We have to hit free throws. We didn't shoot very well from the line [Wednesday], so we have to pick that up a little bit," Hornacek said.

After going into halftime with a 11-8 lead, the Monstars came out firing in the second half, and had the game at 18-12 before going on a cold streak that extended the game and forced them to slow down their pace.

"We were patient on offense and tried to get the ball inside. They were in foul trouble so we tried to take advantage of that," Hornacek said.

The Monstars were eventually able to put the game away, led by junior Hank Jenkins, whose two late buckets helped put the game out of reach. Dollard was able to score on a put-back to finish off Night on the Town.

No. 6 Delivery Boys 21, Old School 15

Using their youth and athleticism, the No. 6 Delivery Boys held off Old School on their way to a victory that moves them into the Sweet 16.

One of the Cinderella stories of the tournament, unranked Old School, whose average age is 35 years old, hung with the Delivery Boys, but just did not have enough to pull out a victory.

"They're tough on the boards, and as soon as they're on the boards, they're breaking, so you have to get back," Old School captain Todd Hill said. "It was tough on us. It just wore us down."

The Delivery Boys set the pace of the game right from the outset, but Old School stayed with them through most of the first half. It was not until the second half, when the Delivery Boys switched their defense, that they pulled out to a solid lead.

"We switched up to man to man and got on the boards and got out running. That's our strength, to get out on the open floor, and we did that well," Delivery Boys sophomore David Rudy said. "They were scrappy. They were fighting for loose balls. We started out in a zone and they tore it apart. We just fought back and played well."

Despite the loss, Hill felt good about the way his team performed.

"We knew they were going to try to run us, so we tried to slow them down with old-man ball," he said. "That's all we could do. We still have the competitive spirit of a 20-year-old. Unfortunately it's trapped in 30- and 40-year-old bodies, so it makes it tough."

The Delivery Boys look to use their speed and the fast break to their advantage as they continue in the tournament.

"[We have to] keep it running and play well," Rudy said.

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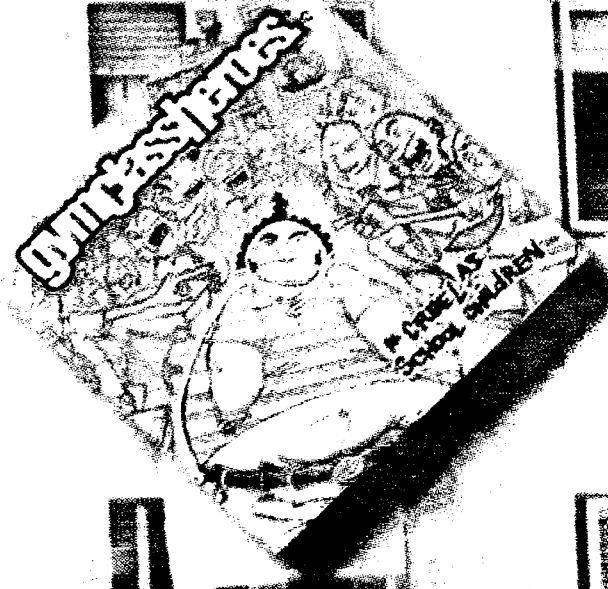
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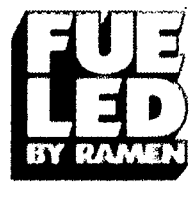
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16 Pres. initials

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28 The Sun Devils, for short

30 "Mr." whose first name is Quincy

31 Chili accompaniment, often

35 Slip
- 36 Bygone flier, for short

39 Street sign ... or a hint to this puzzle's theme

40 ____-eyed

41 "Por ____ Cabeza" (tango song)

42 Incendiary

44 Like humans and ostriches

46 Ohio governor Strickland

47 One-eyed god of myth

51 Fruit waste

52 Paris's Rue ____ Croix de la Bretonnerie; Abbr.

54 ____-Roman

55 Cold and damp

57 Mountain climbing hazard

59 Doo-wop syllable

60 Batman, with "The"
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2 Confine

3 Sartre novel, with "La"

4 Hastens

5 Quiet fishing spot

6 Company started in 1946 at the Detroit and Miami airports

7 Scratch

8 Red carpet walker

9 Shangri-las

10 Out the window

11 Like a saber

12 North Carolina county seat

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18 Mad workers, for short

22 1992 top 10 hit "Life ____ Highway"

24 Companion of Panza

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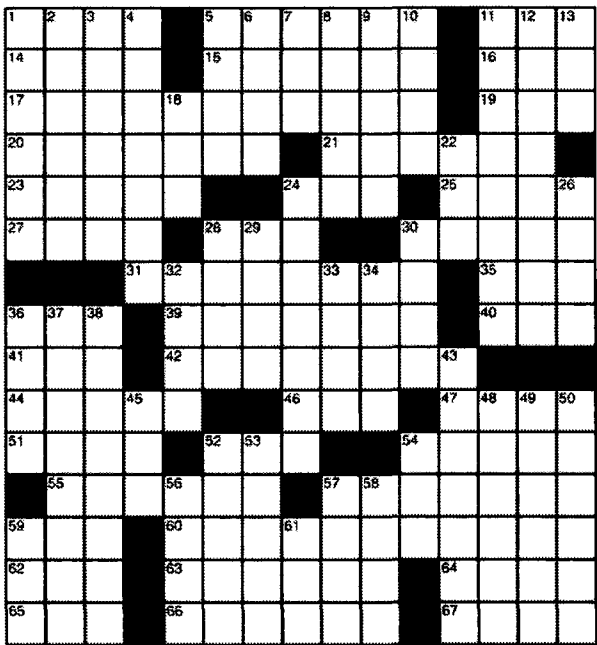
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38 Features of many Olympic broadcasts

43 British fighter plane

45 G.P.'s grp.
- 48 More like a doornail?

49 Superlatively slippery

50 Frank who wrote "The Pit," 1903

52 Ingratiating behavior

53 Prepared, as a report

54 Dogfaces
- 56 Turn-of-the-century year in King John's reign

57 ____ chic

58 "That's enough out of you!"

59 What people who head for the hills do?

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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Izabella Miko, 28; Emma Bunton, 33; Geena Davis, 53; Robby Benson, 53

Happy Birthday: You'll have plenty of charisma and drive to get things done. Any negative you face you will swiftly turn into a positive. Taking stock of your situation and realizing your true potential will help you maneuver your way into something that will grow rapidly and will make a profit. Your numbers are 7, 9, 18, 23, 35, 37, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your ability to utilize your talents and your past connections will serve you well now. Your proactive manner will result in greater confidence. Advancement is within reach. ★★★★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Negotiate all you can for the best deal possible in business or in your personal endeavors. Take an upfront approach to all that you do and you will be taken seriously. Love may cost you if you aren't willing to say no to unreasonable requests. ★★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Take advantage of any professional challenge that can help you prove your talent and ability to handle whatever comes your way. Don't let a lover hold you ransom or accountable for something that he or she is responsible for. ★★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Everything you do should be based on partnerships and how well you get along with the people involved. If you can feel comfortable, you will do a better job. Friendly interaction will lead to advancement. ★★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep things in perspective and honest and you will find a way to get what you want. A partnership may undergo a change but it will be beneficial to you in the end. Long distance relationships or dealing with people from different backgrounds will present a challenge. ★★★★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A change of plans or feelings will cause you grief. Focus on the here-and-now and forget about what emotional games are being played. Step outside the melodrama and put your efforts into something concrete that will lead to your advancement. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Avoid anyone who is on the rampage or looking for a fight. Stay calm and reasonable and concentrate on the projects and people that inspire you the most. Be open to what others are doing but do what works best for you. ★★★★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Favors will be granted. Get out and present what you have to offer. Don't let friends or relatives take advantage of you. It's the people you don't know that well who will recognize what you have to offer. Love is on the rise. ★★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Look back at your past performance and your true talents will be clear. A new concept or service may be in the works. Added responsibilities at home will set you back emotionally and financially. ★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Someone from your past will need help. By offering assistance, you will get something important to you in return. Love is showing some interesting twists and turns. Plan a passionate evening for two. A commitment can be made. ★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can position yourself for the future if you talk to those who can contribute to your professional ideas. Get on top of any paperwork that needs to be taken care of. Think big but don't spend big. ★★★★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't let idle chatter, rumors and gossip ruin your day. If you get involved in such nonsense you will end up being blamed by someone you care about. Stick to accomplishing your goals and helping others. ★★

Birthday Baby: You are exceptionally creative and inventive. You are open and relish the new and the unknown. You are original and unusual.

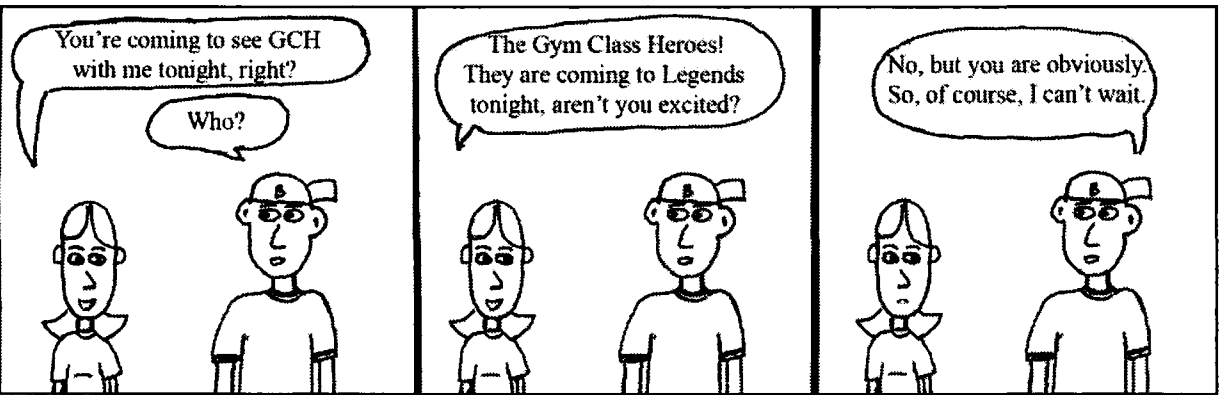
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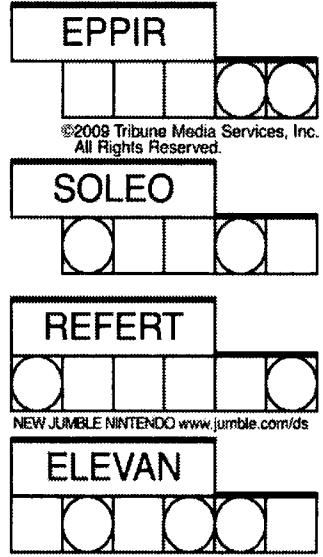


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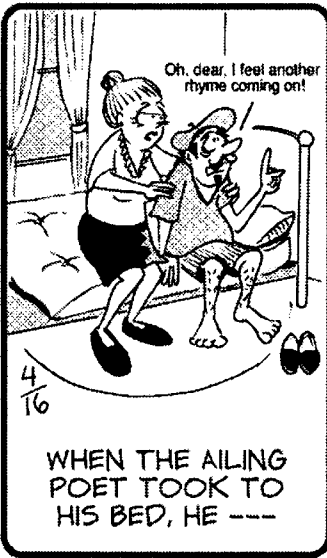
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
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BASKETBALL

Brey hints that Harangody will declare for NBA draft

By CHRIS HINE
Senior Staff Writer

Irish junior Luke Harangody will announce today whether he will put his name in for consideration for the NBA Draft today or will definitely come back for his senior year at Notre Dame.

But at Wednesday night's basketball banquet, where Harangody received the team's

MVP Award, Brey seemed to indicate that Harangody may opt for the draft, at least for now.

"We'll talk to you [Thursday] afternoon about how we're going to attack the next two months," Brey said. "Basically, it's a two month project, taking you up to June 15 ... We'll talk in-depth about all of it, but it's going to be a two-month thing."

Harangody will make his official announcement in a press confer-

ence at 4:15 p.m. today in the Joyce Center.

He can declare for the draft and still return to Notre Dame for his senior season as long as he does not hire an agent. June 15 is the last day that players who have not hired agents can withdraw from the draft and return to school.

Harangody won the Big East Player of the Year award his sophomore season and was a first-team All-Big East selection this

season, when he averaged 23.3 points and 11.8 rebounds per game and was named a second-team All-American by the Associated Press.

Former Irish forward Zach Hillesland received two awards at Wednesday's banquet. First he received the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award and the Captains' Award.

Former Irish forward Ryan

Ayers won the Best Defensive Player Award. Rising senior Jonathan Peoples and rising junior Tyrone Nash were co-recipients of the Most Improved Player Award.

Rising senior Tory Jackson won the Outstanding Playmaker Award while former Irish guard Kyle McAlarney took home the Team Irish Award.

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BASEBALL

Dead zone

ND offense comes up flat vs. Northwestern at U.S. Cellular Field

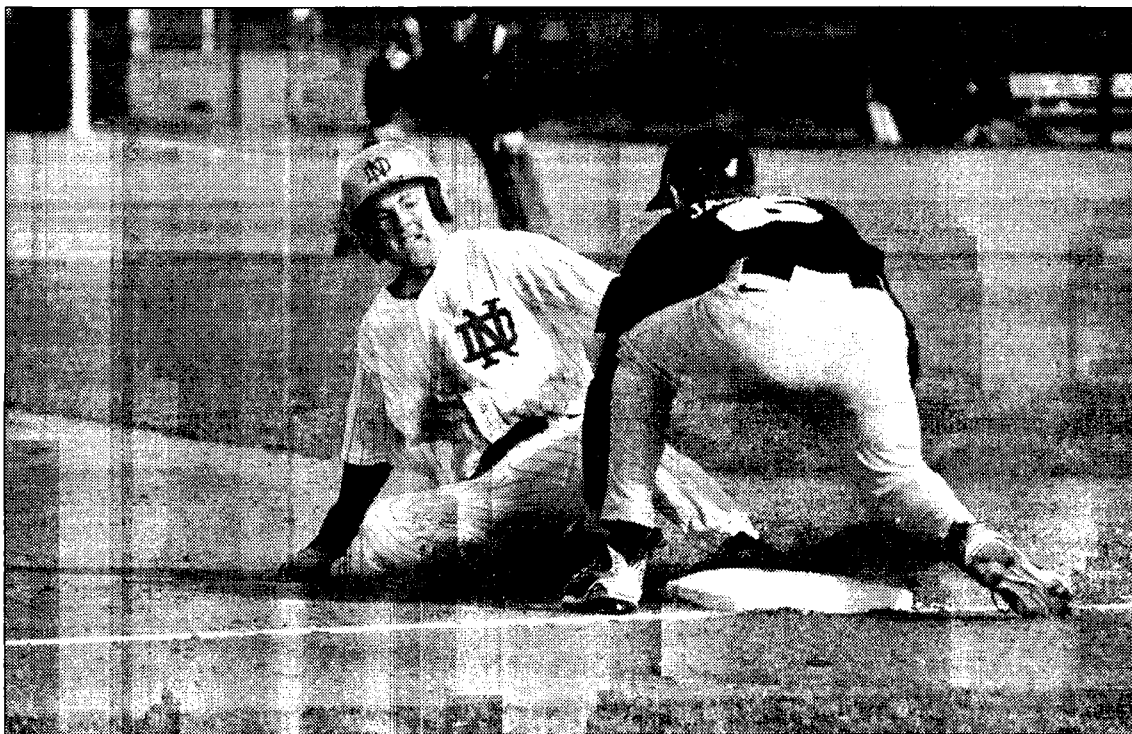
By MICHAEL BRYAN
Associate Sports Editor

CHICAGO — Playing at a big-league stadium didn't help Notre Dame keep the ball inside the park Wednesday, as two home runs from Northwestern's Tony Vercelli led the Wildcats to a 5-1 victory at U.S. Cellular Field.

The regional rivals played the non-conference tilt at the home of the Chicago White Sox in front of a crowd of 2,101, with proceeds of the game benefiting White Sox Charities, which supports hundreds of Chicago-based causes from cancer research to youth education and athletics.

The Irish (20-13) fell behind early, as Northwestern (9-23)

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VANESSA GEMPIS/The Observer

Junior right fielder David Mills slides to third during a 6-5 Irish loss to Oakland March 25. Mills went 1-for-3 in Notre Dame's 5-1 loss to Northwestern Wednesday.

ND TRACK

NCAA, Big East bids up for grabs

By MICHAEL BLASCO
Sports Writer

The Irish are looking to nab a few more NCAA and Big East tournament qualifications this weekend at a pair of prestigious events. Notre Dame will compete at the 51st Mt. Saint Antonio College Relays from today through Saturday in Walnut, Calif., while other Irish athletes will stay closer to home at the Dave Rankin Track and Field Invitational in West Lafayette, Ind.

Several strong showings have left Notre Dame in a fine position heading into next week's Big East championships, but head coach Joe Piane said he is hoping that a few more athletes will qualify

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ND WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Irish lose second straight

No. 9 Notre Dame can't come back vs. No. 12 Vanderbilt

By MEAGHAN VESELIK
Sports Writer

The No. 9 Irish got off to a rough start Wednesday, trailing 10-3 at the half, and couldn't recover, falling 18-11 to No. 12 Vanderbilt Wednesday afternoon.

Notre Dame (11-4, 4-2 Big East) outshot Vanderbilt (9-4, 2-2 SEC) 34-30, but wasn't able to get its shots into the net. Senior captain and Tewaarton trophy nominee Jillian Byers and sophomore midfielder Kailene Abt had four goals apiece in the contest, but the Irish offense wasn't a match for the Commodore freshman goalkeeper Rachel Wells. Irish

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Sophomore midfielder Kailene Abt handles the ball during Notre Dame's 14-11 win over Ohio State on Feb. 22.

BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL

We Didn't Go to Jared's advances to Sweet 16

Cinderella run ends as Old School falls to Delivery Boys

By CHRIS MASOUD,
NATHANIEL LEE and ERIC PRISTER
Sports Writers

We Didn't Go to Jared's made a game out of it by mounting a feeble comeback in the second half, but We're on a Boat (ft. T-Lang) held on to secure the 21-13 sectional victory. Excellent weather conditions and unparalleled Rec Sports officiating ensured that both teams would have nothing to complain about at the end of the day.

"We really did a nice job out there moving the ball," Boaters captain Tim Lang said. "We all played team defense really well

together, it was a team effort."

Jared's came out strong from the opening whistle as Chad Breeden, the undisputed heart of the team, outmanned his opponents in the post for an easy basket. But the Boaters' defense quickly buckled up, preventing Jared's from taking any uncontested shots or easy lay-ins the rest of the way.

"We had all five of our guys show up, which is a plus, but I don't think it was enough," Jared's guard Andrew Cavanagh said. "I'm a big fan of Stephon Marbury, so we tried to show them a little bit of Starbury, but unfortunately like the Knicks we didn't win."

Led by the outstanding perimeter shooting of Mike Manny and the aggressive driving of Mike Lee, the Boaters fast-paced tempo was too much

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