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Notre Dame will honor papal candidate with degree

Cardinal Arinze plans to attend graduation

By KATE ANTONACCI
Associate News Editor

Cardinal Francis Arinze of Nigeria, who has been mentioned in many media accounts as a leading candidate for

pope, will be awarded an honorary degree at Notre Dame's commencement ceremony May 15. University sources confirmed.



Cardinal Arinze

Theology professor Law-

rence Cunningham said the University plans to award Arinze an honorary doctorate at graduation, unless he is named pope before then.

"If [Arinze is elected pope] he obviously will not be at the commencement," Cunningham told The Observer for an article published April 4.

A second University source also confirmed the award.

However, Dennis Brown, associate director of Notre Dame News and Information, said the University is "not prepared to announce the honorary degrees at this time."

Arinze, 72, was close to Pope John Paul II, who chose the Nigerian cardinal to lead the Pontifical Council for Inter-Religious Dialogue in 1985. Arinze, as the Prefect of Divine

Worship and the Disciple of the Sacraments, has been actively involved in creating interfaith dialogue among Catholics, Hindus and Muslims.

As a convert, he is known for being able to speak authoritatively on cross-cultural issues, especially in Nigeria where nearly half of the population is

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ROTC holds annual Pass in Review

Branches present to University president

By KATIE PERRY
News Writer

The Notre Dame Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) held its annual Presidential Pass In Review at the Joyce Center Wednesday to salute a select group of cadets and midshipmen for their demonstrated excellence in leadership, professionalism and academics, as well as their overall loyalty to the community.

The event — which originates from medieval military practice — is intended to allow the commanding officer or president to assess his or her troops for combat readiness. The Pass In Review has been an integral part of ROTC at Notre Dame since the program's induction to the University in 1842.

Members of the Army battalion, Navy battalion and Air



Photo by Caitlin Kennelly

Army, Navy and Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps award recipients stand at attention at the annual Pass In Review ceremony in the Joyce Center Wednesday.

Force wing participated in the ceremony to honor their fellow cadets and midshipmen for their accomplishments in their respective factions of ROTC. Of the program's 311 total members, 90 are in Army, 111 are in Navy and 110 are in Air Force.

"We hold the ceremony each year to pay homage to those who have worn the

uniform before us and to those who will be commissioned in May as officers," freshman Navy ROTC cadet Bryan Garcia said. "The ceremony is also a time to recognize and honor the First Class midshipmen, especially those who represent the highest values of courage, honor and commitment to both Notre Dame as well as the battalion."

University President Father Edward Malloy presented two Army cadets, four Navy midshipmen and three Air Force cadets with awards for their noteworthy achievements in the ROTC program. Malloy then addressed the battalion and wing members along with the more than 150 attendees of the event, giving

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Welch has 'Winning' message

By MATT LOZAR
Senior Staff Writer

Whatever the case may be, Notre Dame students are obsessed with winning.

Couple that obsession with one of the most successful businessmen of all time, and that is why the Jordan Auditorium was filled to capacity just minutes after its doors opened Wednesday afternoon.

Former General Electric chairman and CEO Jack Welch visited the Mendoza College of Business for a question-and-answer session and for promotion his new book "Winning."

"The biggest thing I got out of winning in business was seeing others succeed," Welch said.

Welch said one part he enjoys about seeing others succeed is when he observes employees of winning businesses who give back to the community.

"[There are] a lot of altruism acts that came from winning companies," Welch said. "No dot-coms that blew up gave [back]. Only winning companies give back."

The session started with a number of questions to Welch by College of Business dean Carolyn Woo, followed by several asked by the large audience. Welch spoke on many topics.

His very pro-business attitude became apparent through the session. When one student asked Welch if legislation should be written to force companies to give back to society, she was met with an emphatic, "No." Welch called business the



Welch

University hosts Irish studies conference

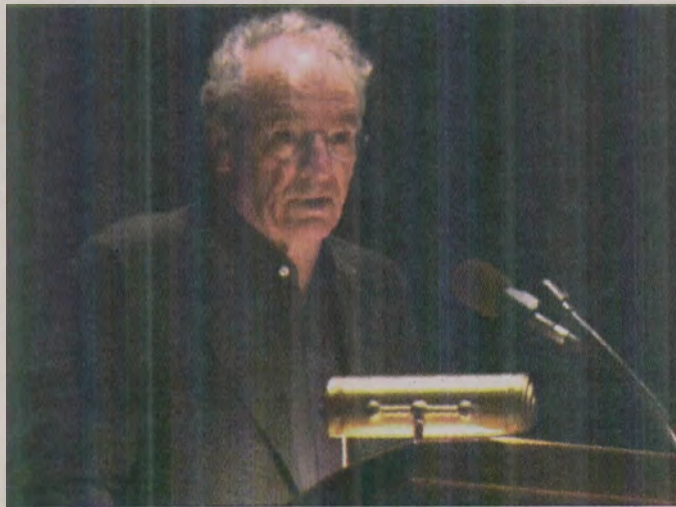
Keough Institute draws Gaelic scholars

By TRICIA DE GROOT
News Writer

For the first time in its history, Notre Dame is hosting the American Conference for Irish Studies (ACIS) Annual General Meeting, traditionally the largest single gathering of Irish studies scholars in the world.

"We are delighted, and it is appropriate that we are hosting this significant conference because the University of Notre Dame has, throughout its history, been a home for Irish-American people," Assistant Director of News and Information Mike Garvey said.

Susan Harris, one of this year's co-organizers, said



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Seamus Deane, leading Irish intellectual and co-founder of the Keough Institute, speaks Wednesday at ACIS meeting.

ACIS president John Harrington ran into co-organizer Sarah McKibben at a conference. The two began discussing the possibility of hosting the 2005 conference at Notre Dame.

McKibben began speaking with professor Christopher Fox, director of the Keough Institute, and a plan to host the event was developed.

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Students pursue Irish Studies minor

By LISA SCHULTZ
News Writer

While every Notre Dame student can claim to be Fighting Irish, some can actually say they received a true Irish education.

Founded in 1993, the Keough Institute for Irish Studies has been garnering attention for the University recently as people gain understanding of what Irish Studies means for Notre Dame students.

"[Being an Irish Studies student is] not just getting drunk on St. Patrick's Day," director and co-founder of the Keough Institute for Irish Studies and English professor Christopher Fox said. "It's a serious enterprise."

The Institute is a serious

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INSIDE COLUMN

Worst day ever

If you didn't already know it, today is officially the worst day in history.

But I'm not talking about your poor social misfortunes.

Look at just three of the things that have occurred on this day that make your concerns look petty.

Ken Fowler
Sports Writer

April 14, 1865: John Wilkes Booth shoots President Lincoln in Ford's Theater.

Just days after the Civil War concluded, the nation fell into turmoil once again as its time-tested hero lay slain in a balcony during a performance of "Our American Cousin." From that point on, no president took his safety for granted.

April 14, 1912: the Titanic strikes an iceberg and begins sinking in the north Atlantic.

The invincible, colossal giant of the seas, built to survive the greatest of collisions, met its match in the icy waters on its voyage to New York. Over 1,500 passengers and crew perished.

April 14, 2000: the stock market boom of the Nineties met its match, as the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell an unprecedented 617 points and the Nasdaq lost nearly 10 percent, plummeting 355 points.

The market that experts thought could only go up under President Clinton finally crumbled under the pressures of overpricing, faulty accounting and massive protests in Pennsylvania against the World Bank.

So there you have it: the Great Emancipator died, the most majestic ship ever sank and the strongest economy in history was shaken to its foundations — all on April 14.

What I guess I'm trying to say here is that no matter how poorly you think your day is going, look at how many other people went through things much worse — on the exact same day.

Maybe you got stuck in a swimming lane with a creepy old man at the Rock.

Just think, at least the water is heated and you don't have to worry about hypothermia.

Or maybe you accidentally bounced your check paying for a copy of Jane Fonda's new book, and NDFCU is going to charge you a \$30 fee.

At least you didn't lose the equivalent of \$4 billion over the course of three hours.

Or possibly you got jipped out of a quad you wanted during the lottery or picks.

Well, think about this for a second: at least you weren't an assassin's target during a play you went to see and enjoy.

I would definitely choose living with a night-crawler for a semester over dying while watching a sappy play.

So in the end, when you're complaining to your friends at the dinner table, just sit back and think.

Touch the back of your head. Is it there? Well then smile.

Breathe slowly. Is there water infiltrating your lungs? If not, breathe some more.

Check your wallet. Is there something of value in there that you can barter on the black market?



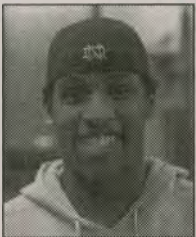



That's what I thought.

Now stop complaining and find a new pastime.

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: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE SUB ACTIVITY AND WHY?

					
Julie Hynes <i>sophomore Howard</i>	Alex French <i>sophomore O'Neill</i>	Sheldon Dutes <i>sophomore Keenan</i>	Kristin Schwarz <i>sophomore Pasquerilla East</i>	Liz Kozlow <i>sophomore Pasquerilla West</i>	Patrick Corrigan <i>sophomore Keenan</i>
"The SUB movies, because I love movies."	"Any one that Jimmy's at."	"Definitely not the quarter dog eating contest, because I don't like hot dogs."	"The SUB movies, because I love it when they change the reel three times."	"The one with Texas."	"When are we going to get Bruce Springsteen here?"



Senators for the 2005-06 school year are sworn in at Wednesday night's Senate meeting. The new senators voted to honor outgoing University President Father Edward "Monk" Malloy in their first meeting.

IN BRIEF

Notre Dame's College Republicans will host a bake sale for social security issues from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today at the Fieldhouse Mall.

Author Collen Kinder will have a book signing of her book "Delaying the Real World: A Twentysomething's Guide to Seeking Adventure" today. The event will begin at 4 p.m. in the ND Room in LaFortune.

Author and scholar Adela Cortina will speak on the ethics of development and recognize the career achievements of Notre Dame economist Denis Goulet Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. Cortina will put forward a model of development ethics in a talk entitled "Development Ethics: A Road to Peace."

The Mike Peterson Show, NDTV's late night show, will hold its Year-End Spectacular at 7 p.m. Friday in Washington Hall. Guests include voice of the Fighting Irish Sgt. Tim McCarthy, as well as performances by musical guest Da Natural and Humor Artists of Notre Dame. Tickets are free at the LaFortune Box Office.

OFFBEAT

Bush, Cheney, Rumsfeld honored with beetles

NEW YORK — U.S. President George W. Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld can now also be called bushi, cheneyi and rumsfeldi, or simply slime-mold beetles.

Two former Cornell University entomologists named three species in the genus Agathidium after the U.S. leaders, Cornell announced on Wednesday.

Quentin Wheeler and Kelly Miller christened 65 new species of slime-mold beetles, named for the fungi-like molds on which they feed,

which they discovered after collecting thousands of specimens for a study of their evolution and classification.

Wheeler, who after 24 years as a professor of entomology and plant biology at Cornell is now the keeper and head of entomology at the Natural History Museum in London, said the U.S. leaders were being honored for having "the courage of their convictions."

New monkey species gets unusual moniker

NEW YORK — An infinite number of newly discovered monkeys trying to name themselves could have pounded on their keyboards a long time before coming up with this one: GoldenPalace.com. The Internet casino paid \$650,000 for the right to name the foot-high primate, online auction house CharityFolks.com announced Wednesday.

"This species will bear our name for as long as it exists," a spokesman said. "Hundreds, even thousands of years from now, the GoldenPalace.com Monkey will live to carry our name through the ages."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

A multicultural Eucharistic Procession will be held Saturday. Mass in Sacred Heart Crypt will begin at 3 p.m., with the procession leaving from the Crypt at 4. Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated according to Filipino, Latino and traditional customs. During the celebration, Pope John Paul II will be remembered in a special way.

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





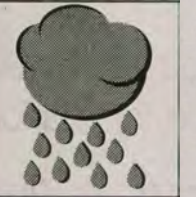

CORRECTIONS

In the Wednesday, April 13 edition of The Observer, The Observer incorrectly described an AP story as saying the NCAA had approved a 12-game college football schedule. The NCAA board of directors must still give final consideration to the plan before it is made official.

Due to an editing error, the photographs run on the front page Wednesday were credited to Katie Green. The photos were actually taken by Allie Greene.

Due to a reporting error in the baseball article in Wednesday's edition of The Observer, Derik Olvey's first name was misspelled.

The Observer regrets the errors.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
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SAGA holds day of silence for gay issues

By MEGAN O'NEIL
Saint Mary's Editor

Just weeks after being approved as an official club at Saint Mary's, the Straight and Gay Alliance (SAGA) kept its promise of addressing issues surrounding sexuality by staging a day of silence Wednesday.

SAGA asked students to make a day-long vow not to speak in order to "recognize and protest the discrimination and harassment — in effect, the silencing — experienced by [lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender] students and their allies," a flier stated. The action at Saint Mary's was part of a larger national movement on college and university campuses, wherein students are silent for 24 hours.

While only a handful of students remained mute all day, dozens more wore stickers distributed by SAGA officers as a sign of support of the group's efforts.

"I decided to wear [a sticker] because I thought it was important to raise awareness that SAGA is on campus now and it is recognized," junior Sue Mitchell said.

Mitchell added such events are particularly important in a Catholic environment. She said her sticker prompted plenty of reaction, including one student who asked her if she was gay.

"I said no, but just because I am not gay doesn't mean I can't support it," Mitchell said.

Club president Megan Shaeffer said students were encouraged to participate however they saw fit.

"We did ask people to wear black for visibility ... but really it was just kind of left up to the student body" to participate however it chose, she said.

Schaeffer said reaction from both students and faculty was positive.

"I've seen nothing but support, so I think there has been a pretty good reaction as a whole," she said.

Freshman and SAGA treasurer Sara Nielsen said she had individuals tell her they appreciated what the club was doing to create a more welcoming environment for gay and lesbian students.

The day of silence came on the heels of a presentation sponsored by SAGA and the Student Diversity Board in which Sister Kathleen Dolphin, director of the Center for Spirituality, explained the teaching of the Catholic Church in regard to homosexuals.

"We are very excited [about our recent events]," Nielsen said. "We knew we didn't have a lot of time before the end of the school year, and we wanted to get in a couple of things."

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Senators select new liaisons

By MADDIE HANNA
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Perhaps drawing inspiration from a seasoned student government official's success story, new senators demonstrated initiative by running for liaison positions as well as hearing committee reports and passing a resolution at Wednesday night's Senate meeting.

Senior class president Darrell Scott assumed the podium to discuss his achievement in getting part of the scaffolding surrounding the dome removed temporarily for graduation.

Although Scott did not realize how controversial the issue would become — and said he first thought, "Well, that's the way the cookie crumbles" — Scott said once the e-mails from disappointed and frustrated seniors began flooding in, he started to do research and presented a plan to University officials.

"We're adults — the administration will work with you," he said. "Be respectful towards University officials — it's easy to make them look like the boogeyman."

Scott said the coalition of leaders that formed to unite the student union was key in countering the mounted scaffolding and emphasized this unity to senators for their future efforts in enacting change.

"Never give up," he said.

After student body vice president Lizzi Shappell introduced the different student govern-

ment bodies of which senators are members, senators voted on which of their peers would serve as liaisons to Campus Life Council (CLC), Council of Representatives (COR), Financial Management Board (FMB), Judicial Council and Faculty Senate.

Knott senator Jacques Nguyen, Stanford senator David Thaxton and Lewis senator Katie McHugh were elected to serve on CLC. Pasquerilla West senator Christina Lee was elected as an alternate CLC member.

Keough senator Rob Lindley, Dillon senator Dan Bowen, Keenan senator Jason Zgrabik and O'Neill senator Steve Tortorello were elected as liaisons to COR. Morrissey senator Brian Klein was elected as COR alternate.

Fisher senator Chris Garibaldi and Alumni senator Andrew Beatty were elected to FMB.

St. Ed's senator Fred Thwaites was elected to Judicial Council, and Welsh Family senator Brenna Doyle was elected to Faculty Senate.

Several committee chairs discussed recent developments in their projects.

Steve Cartwright stood in for Community Relations committee chair Nick Guzman and described the committee's "exciting" upcoming plans.

"It's virtually unprecedented, getting students behind community relations initiatives," he said.

Cartwright said the committee would be working on instituting an off-campus safety seminar,

permanent roles for students in neighborhood coalitions, unofficial partnerships with legal representatives, an off-campus resource guide and a South Bend opportunities guide.

Gender Relations committee chair Aly Wishon said she, Shappell, student body president Dave Baron and former vice president Karla Bell had met with Vice President of Student Affairs Bill Kirk and NDSP director Rex Rakow regarding the Freshman Orientation sexual assault information segment.

Baron, speaking on behalf of Residence Life committee chair Mark Seiler, said student government had met recently with Office of Information Technology chief information officer Gordon Wishon about several issues, including printers and wireless access in dorms, an office hours database and computer safety information.

Senators also unanimously passed a resolution honoring outgoing University President Father Edward "Monk" Malloy.

"It's a way to give a little respect to this person who has served this community so graciously," Baron said.

Baron told senators to mobilize their dorm constituencies to attend the Malloy farewell Mass Sunday at 9 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

"We'll be presenting gifts to Father Malloy on the behalf of the student body," he said.

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College of Engineering Chair
Hall Luncheon Chair
Hospitality Chair

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Harris said she, McKibben and Fox planned the conference for over a year. Numerous other faculty, staff, departments, offices and institutes all over campus contributed financial support for the conference, making it a truly University-wide effort.

"We are particularly excited about this conference because it will give us a chance to host so many other Irish studies scholars and introduce them to the program and to the resources available at Notre Dame," Harris said.

There are at least 370 participants registered for the conference, and up to 300 will be participating in 100 panels on all aspects of Irish studies, including history, politics, literature, art, architecture and film and television.

"With over 12 plenary speakers and 100 panels on all aspects of Irish studies, there is something for every academic taste," assistant professional specialist and program coordinator for Irish Studies Éamonn Ó Ciardha said.

There is also a series of

events running concurrently with the panels, including concerts, exhibitions, poetry readings and a festival. The schedule includes papers — some of which will be presented by Notre Dame faculty and graduate students — on subjects as varied as "Paddy Punk," Irish sport, James Joyce, Irish dance, the "Troubles" in Northern Ireland, gay Irish fiction, recent film and theater, women's writing, scandal in Irish culture and Irish America.

Most of the programming for the ACIS will take place in McKenna Hall. Several events are open to the public, and McKibben said coordinators hope undergraduates and alumni attend.

"These sorts of conferences often happen at a distance from undergraduates or over break," she said. "Instead, we want our students to get the chance to enjoy and learn from all the events, from lecture to panels to films to photographs to music that we've all brought to campus."

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"The University of Notre Dame has, throughout its history, been a home for Irish-American people."

Mike Garvey
assistant director
of news and information

Keough

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enough enterprise to catch global attention. When the Associated Press released "Notre Dame Fosters Irish Language Revival," it ranked No. 7 on the top ten most popular links for the week of March 17-23 on CNN.com.

Interest stems from what Fox calls the "third generation factor." Irish American immigrants were taught they were not going to make it in America if their Irish identity showed through, Fox said. Now, their grandchildren and great-grandchildren are seeking out the culture they lacked.

Curiosity about Irish Studies is evident on campus. In the last four years, enrollment in the minor has increased from 13 to 61 students. In the 2004-2005 school year, over 900 students took courses within the Department of Irish Language and Literature.

Irish Studies at Notre Dame is distinct from similar programs at other universities because Irish Language and Literature is its own department as of this school year.

Through generous grants, beginning with a 2.5 million dollar donation from Donald Keough in 1993, the Institute has grown tremendously. Seamus Deane, who Fox calls "the Irish intellectual," co-founded the institute and has attracted top professors in the world to the Keough Institute. These professors are now faculty within the Department of Irish Language

and Literature.

Fox said he and Deane intended to create a truly international program.

"We wanted to make Ireland, not Irish America, central," Fox said.

Creating an authentic international studies program has been accomplished by putting Irish, which is now a minority language, at the forefront. Students in the Irish Studies Minor Area Studies Program must begin by taking three Irish Language courses.

"[Notre Dame's program] puts teaching of the Irish language at the heart of the academic experience," Irish Studies Program director and history professor Éamonn Ó Ciardha said.

The Irish Studies minor also requires students to take four other classes in anthropology, English, Irish language and literature, film, television, and theater, government and history. In the spring 2005 semester, courses ranged from "Irish and American Dance" to "Irish Gothic From Union to Troubles."

"[The Irish Studies minor] provides a wonderful avenue to exposure to all parts of Ireland," senior Maevé Carey said.

Carey spent the spring semester of her junior year studying abroad in Dublin, Ireland. She took classes at University College Dublin in history and politics and took two classes through the University of Notre Dame's Keough Center in Dublin.

Each year, approximately 70 Notre Dame students — 15 of which are Irish Studies minors — study in Dublin, according to Ó Ciardha. In addition to study abroad opportunities, the Keough

Institute also typically awards five summer internships, two of which are reserved for students with a minor in Irish Studies. Carey was an intern during summer 2004.

"I lived in the heart of Dublin with five other Notre Dame students and worked in the press office of the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs," Carey said. "Dublin had become a home away from home."

Exposure to Irish and European politics gave Carey some insight to writing her Capstone Essay, the final Irish Studies minor requirement, which is fulfilled senior year. The goal of the 20- to 30-page essay is to link the student's major to their Irish Studies minor. Carey said her paper bridges this gap well.

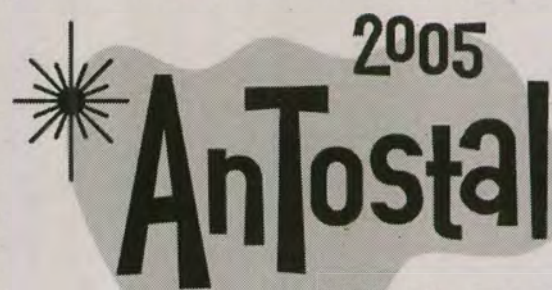
"My major is political science, so I am writing my Capstone about the changing American role in the Northern Ireland peace process since [Sept. 11, 2001]," she said.

The Keough Institute also has about 20 graduate students in four different disciplines. Graduate students have an opportunity to study in Ireland through the Irish Seminar, which is also run by the Keough Institute and usually attracts 30 to 40 international graduate students.

What began as a small Notre Dame project more than a decade ago has now become an increasingly comprehensive international program, making Notre Dame a landmark of Irish studies in the United States.

"This is the University of Irish

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Bring Your Friends
....april 16-april 24

Saturday 4/16

fisher regatta 11am holy cross hill
howard duck hunt 5pm Coleman-Morse
knott on the knoll 4pm
sub movie oceans 12 4:30pm 7pm DeBartolo 101

Sunday 4/17

free laundry 11am-6pm laFortune laundry center
closing mass for father malloy 9pm joyce center
followed by celebration 10:30pm

Monday 4/18

panera delivery to classes
tye-dye t-shirt 11:30am east south quad
speaker ken jennings 7:30pm DeBartolo 101

Tuesday 4/19

panera delivery to classes
big wheel racing 11:00am north entrance dbtr
quarter dog eating contest 12am laFortune

Wednesday 4/20

big red chair & mini golf 2pm east south quad
punt pass & kick qualifying contest 2pm fieldhouse mall
late night grille 8pm north quad
drive-in movie billy madison 9pm north quad

Thursday 4/21

carnival 3pm south quad and west quad
comedian jim gaffigan 8pm legends
best of acoustiCafe 10pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 10pm DeBartolo 101

Friday 4/22

recess noon west quad trees
unveiling of "the shirt" noon hammes notre dame bookstore
battle of the bands 6pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 8pm and 10:30pm DeBartolo 101

Saturday 4/23

AnTostal concert 9pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 4:30pm and 7pm DeBartolo 101

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Rumsfeld visits U.S. soldiers

QALAT, Afghanistan — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld visited U.S. soldiers Wednesday on a morale boosting mission mixed with official talks on the future U.S. role in Afghanistan.

U.S. commanders told Rumsfeld in detailed briefing on their operations in Zabul Province along the Pakistan border that Taliban fighters still have some sanctuaries and support among the local population, but that U.S. forces operating with newly trained Afghan troops are making steady progress in eroding that support.

The defense chief flew to Kandahar in southern Afghanistan following a one-day visit to Iraq and then traveled by helicopter to Qalat where U.S. troops are running what they call a provincial reconstruction team that provides civic aid as well as security for reconstruction projects.

Pope's tomb reopens to pilgrims

VATICAN CITY — Clutching rosaries, medals and flowers, thousands of people filed past the simple white marble tomb of Pope John Paul II on Wednesday, as the Vatican reopened the grottoes beneath St. Peter's Basilica to the public.

Some of the mourners said they had come not only to pray for John Paul, but also to pray to him. Many Roman Catholics believe John Paul, who died April 2 at age 84, was a saint.

Pilgrims lined up as early as 4 a.m., three hours before the grottoes were reopened, in the crisp morning air.

They knelt before the grave to pray, and many handed religious articles to an usher, who touched them to the grave before handing them back.

NATIONAL NEWS

Advisers vote to allow silicone implants

WASHINGTON — In a surprising turn-around, federal health advisers Wednesday recommended allowing silicone-gel breast implants to return to the U.S. market after a 13-year ban on most uses of the devices — but only under strict conditions that will limit how easily women can get them.

Mentor Corp. persuaded advisers to the Food and Drug Administration that its newer silicone implants are reasonably safe and more durable than older versions. The 7-2 vote came just one day after a rival manufacturer, Inamed Corp., failed to satisfy lingering concerns about how often the implants break apart and leak inside women's bodies.

Officials limit labs that handle viruses

WASHINGTON — Even as they sought to reassure a wary public, federal health officials detailed plans Wednesday to restrict the number of labs that can handle deadly flu viruses like the ones sent to thousands of facilities worldwide.

"We are working on the side of caution," said Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Labs around the world tracked and destroyed samples of the deadly flu strain, which has been included in a kit designed to test a lab's ability to identify viruses. The CDC was trying to determine why the deadly H2N2 flu virus was included in the first place.

LOCAL NEWS

Daniels names two appointments

INDIANAPOLIS — Gov. Mitch Daniels appointed veteran judge Mary Lee Comer Wednesday to lead his administration's efforts in training, advising and enforcing ethics laws for state employees.

He also appointed Heather Bolejack, an attorney from Indianapolis, as the new executive director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. The agency oversees state planning for criminal justice, juvenile justice, traffic safety and victim services, and administers federal and state money to carry out long-range strategies.

Rudolph admits to bombing

Says attack at 1996 Olympics was statement against government's laws on abortion

Associated Press

ATLANTA — A defiant Eric Rudolph pleaded guilty Wednesday to carrying out the deadly bombing at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and three other attacks, saying he picked the Summer Games to embarrass the U.S. government in front of the world "for its abominable sanctioning of abortion on demand."

"Because I believe that abortion is murder, I also believe that force is justified ... in an attempt to stop it," he said in a statement handed out by his lawyers after he entered his pleas in back-to-back court appearances, first in Birmingham, Ala., in the morning, then in Atlanta in the afternoon.

Rudolph, 38, worked out a plea bargain that will spare him from the death penalty. He will get four consecutive life sentences without parole for the four blasts across the South that killed two people and wounded more than 120 others.

Rudolph expressed remorse in his statement only for the Olympic bombing, saying "I do apologize to the victims and their families."

In all the attacks, he said he intended only to target "agents of the Washington government" or "abortionists."

In the Atlanta courtroom, Rudolph sat stone-faced and answered questions calmly and politely. In Birmingham, though, he winked toward prosecutors as he entered court, said the government could "just barely" prove its case, and admitted his guilt with a hint of pride in his voice.

The statement — a rambling, right-wing manifesto on 11 typewritten, single-spaced pages — marked the first time he offered a motive for the attacks.

"The purpose of the [Olympic] attack on July 27th [1996] was to confound, anger and embarrass



Eric Rudolph, center, is hurried from an aircraft to a waiting van at Fulton County Airport Brown Field Wednesday as he is transported to his second court appearance.

the Washington government in the eyes of the world for its abominable sanctioning of abortion on demand," Rudolph said in the statement, in which he also quoted the Bible repeatedly, condemned homosexuality and complained that the Olympics promote "global socialism."

The plan, he said, "was to force the cancellation of the Games, or at least create a state of insecurity to empty the streets around the venues and thereby eat into the vast amounts of money invested."

He said that because he was unable to obtain the necessary high explosives, he "had to dismiss the unre-

alistic notion of knocking down the power grid surrounding Atlanta and consequently pulling the plug on the Olympics for their duration."

The bomb that exploded at the Olympics was hidden in a knapsack and sent nails and screws ripping through a crowd at Centennial Olympic Park during a concert. A woman was killed and 111 other people were wounded in what proved to be Rudolph's most notorious attack, carried out on an international stage amid heavy security.

Rudolph said that he had planned a much larger attack on the Olympics that would have used five bombs

over several days. He said he planned to make phone calls well in advance of each explosion, "leaving only uniformed arms-carrying government personnel exposed to potential injury."

But he said poor planning on his part made that five-bomb plan impossible.

"I had sincerely hoped to achieve these objections without harming innocent civilians," he said. He added: "There is no excuse for this, and I accept full responsibility for the consequences of using this dangerous tactic."

He said he blew up four other bombs in a vacant lot in Atlanta and left town "with much remorse."

IRAQ

American pleads on video for his life

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — An Indiana man, scared and clutching his passport to his chest, was shown at gunpoint on a videotape aired by Al-Jazeera television Wednesday, two days after he was kidnapped from a water treatment plant near Baghdad. The station said he pleaded for his life and urged U.S. troops to withdraw from Iraq.

The United States said it would maintain its policy of not negotiating with kidnappers.

In LaPorte, Ind., a yellow ribbon was tied around a tree outside Jeffrey Ake's one-story brick house, and an

American flag fluttered on a pole from the home. The U.S. Embassy said the man on the video appeared to be Ake, a contract worker who was kidnapped around noon Monday.

The video came on a day of bloody attacks, as insurgents blew up a fuel tanker in Baghdad, killed 12 policemen in Kirkuk, and drove a car carrying a bomb into a U.S. convoy, killing five Iraqis and wounding four U.S. contract workers on the capital's infamous airport road.

Ake — the 47-year-old president and CEO of Equipment Express, a company that manufacturers bottled water equipment — is the latest of more than 200 foreigners seized in Iraq in the

past year.

The Al-Jazeera tape showed a man sitting behind a desk with at least three assailants — two hooded and one off-camera — pointing assault rifles at him. Ake, wearing an open-collar shirt with rolled-up shirt sleeves, was sitting or kneeling behind a wooden desk and holding what appeared to be a photo and a passport.

The station didn't air audio of the video, but said the man asked the U.S. government to begin talks with the Iraqi resistance and save his life. No group claimed responsibility, and there was no way to authenticate the video. Al-Jazeera didn't say how it obtained the tape.

Welch

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"engine of the economy."
"Without business, there is nothing," he said. "The Mendoza College of Business is just dust without people donating. Business is the only thing that creates in this society."
"It's so fundamental. Don't let anyone tell you anything else."
Welch and GE grew extremely quickly during his reign at the top of the company, and a major reason for Welch's success came from his ability to deal with his employees. He did so quanti-

tatively by having his employees graded but never surprised employees with a firing. Welch stressed the need to inform employees about their job performance.

"[Great] CEOs really understand people are what matters," he said. "Every day you evaluate them and try to make them grow. It's insane that people don't know how they're doing. Why do grades stop when we become adults?"

"In the ninth, 10th or 11th grade, we don't have a prob-

lem flunking kids out."

Interestingly, when asked later in the 75-minute session, Welch said the top thing he sees missing in today's college graduates is their human resources skills.

"What you will always have is relationships," he said. "How to evaluate, motivate, excite, lay someone off the right way."

Concerning his advice for up-and-coming business leaders, Welch emphasized

"I never felt like I had a job. If you get the right job, you never work a day in your life."

Jack Welch
former CEO,
General Electric

the need for young workers to always provide bosses with more than they are expecting.

"If you over-deliver, your career will take care of itself," he said. "If you have a career path [now], you will get nailed."

As for running GE for 20 years and increasing the company's worth from \$13 billion to several hundred billion dollars, Welch said he really did not feel like it was work at all.

"I never felt like I had a job," he said. "If you get the right job, you never work a day in your life."

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ROTC

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what would be his last speech at a Notre Dame Presidential Pass In Review. The president will resign from his post at the conclusion of the semester.

In his speech, Malloy urged honorees to "relish and savor the moment of recognition" but also reminded them of their crucial responsibilities as military figures. Calling the contemporary era a "perilous time in world and American history," Malloy enumerated the weighty tasks entrusted to the United States military. He said natural disaster relief, intervention in the plights of struggling nations and global deterrence of terrorism are among these duties.

While he advised graduating cadets and midshipmen to keep the military casualties in Afghanistan and Iraq salient as they advance into active duty, Malloy also expressed faith in the senior ROTC members and praised their capacities as noble leaders.

"It takes a special kind of person to be a leader," Malloy said. The president noted a laudable character and a lucid demonstration of values as fundamental attributes of any effective leader.

"I am confident that [senior ROTC members] will provide outstanding leadership."

University president
Father Edward Malloy

Malloy also said it is much harder to wield character than ever before given today's political context.

"It is important to provide opportunities to those who have entrusted responsibilities in you," Malloy said. "To bring out the best in others is not an easy task."

Malloy asked graduating ROTC members to utilize material learned in their respective programs as well as in their overall college experience to develop

into intellectual and value-driven constituents of the American military.

The president said the United States armed forces

have a "wonderful" tradition of bringing members of the Notre Dame ROTC program into esteemed positions in the Army, Navy and Air Force.

"I am confident that [senior ROTC members] will provide outstanding leadership," Malloy said, emphasizing the value of well-rounded students in top-ranking military positions. "We depend on that for the best quality of decision-making and most flexible military

possible."

"There is no better place [than Notre Dame] in which a future officer can learn to become as tactically and ethically excellent as we prepare to enter the military."

Bryan Garcia
Navy ROTC cadet

Garcia echoed the president's assertion of the useful and advantageous nature of Notre Dame's ROTC program in future endeavors in the armed services.

"There is no better place [than Notre Dame] in which a future officer can learn to become as tactically and ethically excellent as

we prepare to enter the military," Garcia said.

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Muslim. According to CNN.com, though Arinze is considered theologically conservative, he is embraced by Catholic liberals for his support of Third World countries.

And as the Church's cardinals prepare to choose a new pope, Arinze's name has been mentioned on the list of possible candidates to succeed Pope John Paul II.

If elected pope, Arinze would be the first black pope in 1,513 years. There has been much discussion surrounding the possibility of the next pope being from the Third World, including countries in Central America, Latin America, Asia and Africa. Pope John Paul II believed in reaching out to the large poor Catholic population, and a pope from a Third World nation would help further these efforts, Cunningham said.

"It would be good to have someone from, say, Africa, which has the fastest growing Catholic population, or Latin America," Cunningham said. "I think it would be a terrific thing for the Church — after all the Church is a Catholic Church."

Brown said the University finalized the list of honorary doctorate recipients Wednesday and will release the names early next week.

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Press Release from the University of Notre Dame Department of Music: New Concentrations in the Department of Music

The Department of Music has reconfigured its undergraduate degree programs for those declaring the major in Music beginning in Fall 2005. Students will now be able to select a 33-credit concentration in Music History and Theory or a 36-credit concentration in Performance. (Students declaring the major prior to 2005-2006 will be subject to the requirements in effect at the time they declared.)

For those students interested in music history and theory, the department will offer a **33-credit concentration in Music History and Theory**, in which students will take classes with internationally recognized scholars. In music history classes, students will explore the development of musical forms, styles and genres from the medieval period through the twentieth century. In music theory courses, students will begin with the fundamentals of music and progress to harmonic and formal analysis of music from the Baroque period through the twentieth century.

For those interested in developing their musical skills to a professional level, the **36-credit concentration in Performance** provides the tools to do so. Building on work in the classroom, students have the opportunity to study with acclaimed performers in the areas of cello, organ, piano, violin, and voice, among others. They will also enhance their study in performance by participating in vocal and instrumental ensembles.

A **33-credit concentration in Music and Culture** is scheduled to be added in Fall 2006. Students will explore the diverse musical cultures of the world and ethnomusicology in an interdisciplinary sequence of courses.

Students in all three concentrations will establish a solid musical foundation through a curriculum of core courses in history and theory.

With the permission of the Department, advanced students who wish to pursue a more intensive course of study may enroll in the **Honors Program**, in which they will complete an additional six credits of requirements.

The Department of Music and the Department of Theology co-administer a **15-credit Interdisciplinary Minor in Liturgical Music Ministry**, with courses taught by faculty members. **Interdisciplinary Minor in Liturgical Music Ministry**, with courses taught by faculty members.

For more information visit the Department of Music at Crowley Hall

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NYSE	7,133.99	-74.05
S&P 500	1,173.79	-13.97
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IN BRIEF

Poll: More teens carrying credit cards

NEW YORK — The credit card generation is getting younger.

A recent poll of teenagers who participate in the Junior Achievement program found that more than 11 percent are carrying credit cards, and some of them are as young as 13 or 14 years old. In addition, three out of 10 teenagers have checking accounts, and many are likely linked to automated teller machines with debit cards.

"We were a little surprised at the numbers," said Darrell Luzzo, senior vice president for education at JA Worldwide, which is headquartered in Colorado Springs, Colo. "Having a credit card is not necessarily a terrible thing, so long as they're being educated about the appropriate financial principles."

But while 82 percent of the teen credit card users said they paid their bills in full every month, 18 percent said they carried balances over — a practice that has gotten a lot of their parents in trouble.

"That isn't great," Luzzo said. "After a little more education, we'd hope that 82 percent would rise."

Financial experts are concerned about the growing use of credit cards by teens, although they generally must be co-signed by parents until a child is 18 or older.

Weak retail sales cause stock drop

NEW YORK — Stocks slipped Wednesday despite a slide in oil prices as March retail sales fell short of expectations and investors eyed earnings and forecasts from a number of companies, including a bright outlook from Dow component McDonald's Corp.

The disappointing retail sales report was a distraction for investors, who shrugged off the sharp decline in oil futures to focus on other concerns, including first-quarter results. Wall Street was also digesting the minutes of last month's Federal Reserve meeting, trying to decide whether inflation would cause policy makers to become more aggressive with interest rate hikes. Hints of weaker consumer spending added to the alarm.

"I would've expected the market to act a little bit better based on what crude is doing," said Todd Clark, head of listed equity trading at Wells Fargo Securities.

Public questions leader's ability

Morgan Stanley's board confident in CEO, while executives leave, stock drops

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Even as Morgan Stanley's board gave another vote of confidence to embattled Chief Executive Phil Purcell Wednesday, more high-level executive departures, a falling stock price and increased shareholder dissent all led to the question, can Purcell last?

"That question will be answered by the market, because shareholder dissent will be key," said Warren Bennis, distinguished professor of business administration at the University of Southern California whose focus is leadership and corporate governance. "But I do think, in the end, his days are numbered, unless something truly seismic happens."

Yet throughout his tenure at Morgan Stanley, and Dean Witter before that, Purcell has not only survived, but thrived. And there aren't many other options for the investment firm despite the vehement attacks on his leadership by a group of dissident shareholders and former executives.

"Nobody's showing up with an alternative. If someone were to come and buy the company, that would be one thing. But the dissidents don't have any cash on the table, just attacks, and Purcell can ride that out," said Richard Bove, a securities analyst with Punk, Ziegel & Co. "Nothing at the moment that would suggest he won't keep his job."

Whether Purcell ultimately survives or not, the disjointed and seemingly quixotic dissident protest has sparked a genuine crisis at the iconic Wall Street firm, with Purcell at the center.

For weeks, the dissidents have demanded Purcell's ouster and offered former President Robert Scott as a replacement. While originally greeted with bemused skepticism by many on Wall



Controversy surrounds top management at Morgan Stanley, the investment banking firm. The company's Board of Directors, however, stands by its CEO.

Street, the dissidents have been meeting regularly with institutional shareholders, who have become increasingly receptive amid a dropping share price and few public words of encouragement from Morgan Stanley's management.

While it's unclear whether the dissidents will succeed in gaining control of the company, the situation for Purcell seems to worsen almost daily. On Wednesday, the company said Joseph Perella, 63, a star banker on Wall Street for more than two decades, will leave his job as head of Morgan Stanley's investment banking operations. His deputy, Tarek "Terry" Abdel-Meguid, 49, is also leaving.

Perella's departure is more amicable than other recent top-level resignations — Purcell and Perella even traded complimentary quotes in a Morgan Stanley press release. Nonetheless, including Wednesday's resignations, five of the 14 members of the company's executive management committee have resigned since late March, all coming from the money-making institutional banking division.

"It is very difficult for a man to stay in control of a company when a large number of his top managers vote against him by leaving," Bove said. "Investors are losing confidence, the stock price is falling, and I believe

customers at the highest level will start to think how much they want to trust Morgan Stanley with their business."

Despite the continuing crisis, the board of directors on Wednesday reiterated their support of Purcell and, in a letter to the dissidents, urged that they stop attacking the company.

"The Board of Directors has considered each of your communications," the 10 non-executive board members wrote in the letter, made available by the company. "We have full confidence in Phil Purcell and the strategy that management is pursuing. We are carefully monitoring the performance of Morgan Stanley."

Federal judge orders stop to spam

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal judge ordered a Los Angeles company Wednesday to stop sending unsolicited e-mails the Federal Trade Commission and California's attorney general allege violate so-called anti-spamming regulations.

U.S. District Judge Samuel Conti, at the urging of the government, directed Optin Global Inc. and its owner and president to refrain from sending bulk e-mails advertising mortgages, pharmaceutical products and online college degrees. The government said the e-mails are illegal because the messages allegedly are not marked as advertisements, they don't provide consumers with a method of getting off the distri-

bution list and, among other things, they don't identify the sender.

John Chu, the attorney for Optin and its owner Rick Yang and president Peonie Pui Ting Chen, disputed the allegations in a hearing. "I don't think they've violated any law," Chu said. He added that his clients conduct "business in good faith."

According to the lawsuit alleging Optin is violating 2004 anti-spamming federal legislation, the FTC has received more than 1.8 million complaints from consumers regarding e-mails Optin allegedly distributed.

The company sells the information it obtains from consumers to other businesses, and those companies in turn contact the consumers offering their products and services.

The lawsuit also alleges that the e-mails dupe consumers into responding to the communications.

"In numerous instances, defendants initiate commercial e-mail messages that promote mortgage services with subject headings that deceptively suggest that the recipients have already submitted applications, have accounts, or have prior relationships with the sender," the lawsuit said.

Chu responded: "My clients are not responsible for generating the content of any of these messages."

California Attorney General Bill Lockyer said the lawsuit seeks up to \$2,500 for every e-mail that violates the Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act.

Funding for libraries nationwide disappears

In two years, budget cuts at \$111 million

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Five times a week, Mike Herrmann gets on a bus and heads to the downtown public library to peruse shelves holding more than 9.7 million books.

It's a way for the newly unemployed Cleveland man to pass the time between job searching and to have some fun in the process.

If lawmakers approve Gov. Bob Taft's proposed state budget that cuts \$22 million to public libraries, critics say library patrons like Herrmann may find locked doors, or outdated materials or smaller staffs. It's a situation public libraries across the nation are facing as local and state budgets remain squeezed by federal cuts, greater expenses in health care and education and less tax revenue.

"I can't imagine any more funding cuts," Herrmann said as he clutched two checked-out novels under his arm. "The quality of life in Ohio has gone downhill and this will just make it worse."

Library budget cuts nationwide have totaled \$111 million over the past two years, according to the American Library Association. But Americans still are visiting libraries in record numbers, reaching 1.2 billion last year, the group said.

"They want the latest resources. They want fast Internet connections," said Carol Brey-Casiano, president of the library association. "They recognize that it's a publicly supported institution, and they believe they should get and deserve the best resources."

But some lawmakers say libraries must understand that these are tough times.

"We cherish our libraries, but is it more valuable than school funding? No," said Republican state Rep. Jim Trakas. "Is it more valuable than Medicaid for a sick person? No. It's a matter of priorities."

In cash-strapped Salinas, Calif.

— hometown of John Steinbeck — the City Council voted to shut the entire public library service. Donations have kept the library running for 26 hours a week, but officials there say if permanent funds aren't raised by December, the closing will be for good.

"Libraries are the bellwether of a community's concern about literacy. They are a central clearinghouse of knowledge available to everyone regardless of income or social status," said Liz Nolan, a member of the volunteer group Save Salinas Libraries. "The idea of our libraries not being there is incomprehensible to me."

Michael J. Masch, secretary of budget and administration in Pennsylvania, said states must balance budgets amid rising public education and social welfare costs.

"That makes it very difficult for us to be able to afford, to maintain and increase our level of funding for other very worthwhile public goods, like library funding," he said.

Pennsylvania's library funding ballooned from \$30 million in 1998-99 to \$75 million four years later. Masch said that level could not be sustained during a recession and budget deficits, and library funding dipped to \$47 million in 2003-04. Gov. Ed Rendell has recommended \$59 million for libraries in the coming budget.

Ohio's public libraries have generally enjoyed a profitable relationship with the state. In 2003, the most recent federal data available, Ohio received the most overall library funding at \$56.85 per person, compared with a national average of \$30.97.

The libraries in Ohio also had the nation's most visits (6.9 for every one of the state's 11 million people) and circulate the most items (14.63 per capita.)

Taft's two-year, \$51 billion budget proposal would cut library funding by 5 percent to about \$440 million annually.

Library backers say the cuts will erode the strong public library system for which Ohio has been nationally known.

Gunshot survivor rebuilds life

Woman's facial surgery allows her to speak out on domestic violence

Associated Press

WACO, Texas — Waking up in a pool of blood, Carolyn Thomas didn't realize a bullet had blown off most of her face, leaving a concave void.

She worried about her mother, who had been shot in the stomach. She wondered if help would come in time.

When police entered the apartment, an officer stepped over her, thinking she was dead.

"I grabbed his ankle to let him know I was alive and who had shot me," Thomas said.

With bandages covering much of her disfigured face, Thomas, 34, testified Wednesday at her former boyfriend's murder trial, painting a tortured picture of abuse that ended in gunshots.

She and her former boyfriend, Terrence Dewaine Kelly, had dated more than 10 years when she and her mother were shot in 2003. Kelly, 32, faces from 15 years to life in prison if convicted of killing Janice Reeves, 49, and injuring Thomas. He has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

His attorney, Bill Johnston, doesn't dispute that Kelly shot the women. But he said his client has mental problems and didn't know his actions were wrong, which is the legal definition of insanity in Texas.

But Thomas testified Kelly never showed signs of mental illness. Authorities say the day of the shootings, Kelly was high on marijuana laced with formaldehyde.

The bullet hit Thomas' right eye, tore off her nose, ripped through the roof of her mouth, pierced her left cheek and lodged in her left shoulder.

Thomas met Kelly a few years after moving to Waco in 1990 from Midland, where she was a high school track star. Kelly was quiet and shy — much different than the smart, athletic, high-achieving guys she'd always dated — but she wanted to give him a chance, Thomas said.

After dating nearly two years, they moved in together and the physical abuse began, Thomas said. His jealousy escalated; Kelly forbade her from having male friends and from wearing tight outfits, she said.

Through the years Thomas had numerous bruises and bloody noses, but she never went to the hospital or called police. She sometimes moved out but always went back, hoping Kelly's sweet side would resurface.

When Kelly promised the violence would never happen again, Thomas believed him. She was also afraid that if she left for good, Kelly would carry out his threats of killing her or her relatives.

"I did a lot of praying," Thomas said. "Prayer is good, but in those types of situations, you're going to need a lot more than prayer."

Thomas broke away from Kelly in 2000 when he was sentenced to eight years in prison for a 1997 cocaine possession charge.

But when Kelly wrote her letters saying he had changed, promising to attend truck-driving school and get a job after his release, she gave him one more chance.

He had been released on parole less than two months when the shootings happened at Reeves' Waco apartment, where Thomas and Kelly had been staying.

Thomas was hospitalized for six months. When she went home, a bandage covered all of her face except her left eye. She had a trachea tube to help her breathe and a stomach tube for feeding.

She winced each time she had to clean the wounds.

"That was the hardest thing, to be able to look at myself in the mirror," Thomas said.

Thomas didn't go out much because people stared and sometimes made rude comments, and she would frighten children.

Thomas couldn't afford plastic surgery but found out about a free reconstructive surgery project developed in 1994 by the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and the National Coalition Against Domestic



Domestic abuse victim Carolyn Thomas, right, testified in court Wednesday.

Violence.

In February during a nine-hour operation, a team of surgeons rebuilt Thomas' upper jaw using one of her lower leg bones. They used skin grafts from her thigh to reconstruct her cheek and used her facial tissue to reconfigure her right eye socket.

Thomas needs at least six more surgeries, and will get a prosthetic eye and dentures. Her new nose will be prosthetic, probably attached to eyeglasses, but she will be able to breathe through it and won't need the trachea tube.

Now, Thomas' bandage is smaller, only covering her nose area and part of her mouth. She can eat some soft foods.

She isn't as self-conscious anymore; she drives to the grocery store and to her weekly counseling sessions. Thomas also has started speaking to students and church groups about domestic violence.

"One thing I used to ask God was why did he leave me here. It was obvious he left me here for something. Why else would I survive a gunshot to the face, with half my face gone?" she said.

"I know why I'm here: to help women in domestic violence situations. Maybe by looking at me, they'll be able to see and understand where I'm coming from. If I'd had someone like myself [to talk to], it might have made a difference."

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Lawmakers embrace family connections

Congressional nepotism funded by donations

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Dozens of lawmakers have hired their spouses and children to work for their campaigns and political groups, paying them with contributions they've collected from special interests and other donors.

A few family members earn enough to make a living. Many come cheap. They manage the books, give speeches, raise money and run the daily operations, according to an Associated Press review of records.

Such hirings are legal, but the practice became an issue this month when it was reported that the wife and daughter of House Majority Leader Tom DeLay had been paid more than \$500,000 since 2001. They worked for DeLay's political action and campaign committees.

Congressional bosses express no regrets about their family arrangements.

"My wife raised \$250,000 more than I ever raised with all the expensive consultants," Rep. Ron Lewis, R-Ky., told the AP.

Lewis hired his wife, Kayi, to be his campaign director and campaign manager about a year ago, and he pays her \$50,000 a year. He estimated the hiring saved him more than \$40,000 a year in salary and consulting fees.

Mary Hayworth, wife of Republican Rep. J.D. Hayworth of Arizona, earns \$20,000 a year as the director and only employee of his political action committee.

"The minimal salary she's paid is far less than if you hired somebody in from outside," spokesman Larry VanHoose said.

AP's review identified roughly four dozen lawmakers who hired family members for their campaign or political groups, from Connecticut Sen. and former presidential candidate Joe Lieberman to a House member from Utah who paid three of his seven children for campaign work.

"I think anytime someone does it they have to be ready and willing to explain what the relative does and justify the salary," said Larry Noble, head of the Center for Responsive Politics, a Washington-based campaign finance watchdog group.

"I think when you start putting a whole family on the payroll and start putting kids on the payroll, the scrutiny may increase," Noble added. "It's a form of self-dealing and anytime you're involved with self-dealing, questions are going to be raised."

A smaller number of lawmakers have relatives on their congressional staffs.

Arlene Willis, the wife of Rep.

Jerry Lewis, a 14-term lawmaker from California, serves as his chief of staff at a salary of nearly \$111,000. It's allowed because Willis was Lewis' top aide when he came to Washington in 1979, before they were married; under House rules, lawmakers cannot hire their spouses.

Lieberman's presidential campaign paid the senator's wife, Hadassah, at least \$22,000, records show. His son Matthew received about \$34,000 and his daughter Rebecca about \$36,000.

Sherry Brown, who was the presidential campaign's chief of staff, said the Lieberman children were paid on par with other staff members doing fundraising work. Payments to Hadassah Lieberman were for reimbursement of expenses, Brown said.

Lieberman wasn't the only one in the presidential race with a relative on the campaign payroll. Vice President Dick Cheney's daughter Mary was paid about \$81,000 by the Bush-Cheney reelection campaign.

Laurie Stupak, wife of Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Mich., said she has earned about \$36,000 annually during the past two years as the finance director for her husband's campaign.

She said she was paid slightly more — nearly \$3,900 a month — for part of last year because she served as both campaign manager and finance director. She also received an election bonus of \$2,500 last November.

The money was earned by working more than 40 hours a week and traveling long hours on weekends in a sprawling district, she said.

California Republican Rep. Elton Gallegly's wife, Janice, has run his campaigns since he was a mayor, continuing in that role since he first ran successfully for Congress in 1986.

She did the work for free until last year, when she began taking payment of about \$2,600 a month after deciding she'd like more financial independence, Gallegly said in an interview.

"I think that it's important that she have a little more independence and not feel like she has to depend on me if she needs a couple hundred dollars or if she wants to buy something," he said.

Other spouses got raises, too. For instance, Rep. Fortney "Pete" Stark's wife, Deborah, received a monthly increase from \$650 to \$2,400 as a campaign consultant three years ago — around the time the couple had twins.

At the time, Stark, D-Calif., said his wife filled the roles of campaign manager, office manager and bookkeeper. "My position is, she's a bargain," he said.

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Back to the garden

At the heart of the campus of Princeton University — where I once spent a year working on my celebrated impression of a graduate student — there is a courtyard, and at its center there is a sculpture donated by the Class of 1969 in honor of its 25th Reunion.

Peter Wicks

Englishman
Abroad

A little taller than a table and cylindrical in shape, it is carved so that its top surface displays a Yin and Yang symbol. Inscribed on the surface are the final lines from the Joni Mitchell song "Woodstock":

"We are stardust / Billion year-old carbon / We are golden / Caught in the Devil's bargain / And we've got to get ourselves / Back to the Garden."

When I first came across the sculpture, it was something of a shock. What surprised me was not that the class of 1969 had been caught up in the spirit of the counterculture, with its fascination with Eastern mysticism and its longing to shrug off society and return to lives of prelapsarian simplicity.

The surprise was rather the fact that 25 years later, that same class, at an age at which many of them had children in college, had chosen a monument that was such an unequivocal endorsement of that spirit.

The year of the class of 1969's 25th reunion was also the year of the second Woodstock. With Arlo Guthrie and Janis Joplin replaced by Metallica and Nine Inch Nails, it was unclear in just what sense this could be regarded as the successor to the original "Aquarian exposition" of peace and music.

Many were appalled by its commercialism, which they felt was a betrayal of the Woodstock legacy.

Those of a more cynical disposition pointed out that the original Woodstock had itself been a commercial venture, funded by young venture capitalists, including John Roberts, heir to a drug store and toothpaste fortune.

Many of the bands who came were paid well above their usual fee, and thus the festival was far from the spontaneous concert as which it had been

heavily promoted throughout the previous year.

These critiques were all true, but they missed the point. What made the original Woodstock festival different from its titular sequel wasn't that it was untouched by commercialism, but that those who were present were really able to believe themselves part of a revolution that would change the world.

When the number of gatecrashers became overwhelming, Woodstock was declared a "free concert," and it felt like an act of communal grace. When the same thing happened at the second Woodstock, it was impossible not to recognize this as a mere simulation of spontaneity.

When I think of the hippie movement, I always remember a particular moment from the Woodstock festival. It is Sunday, and a storm has kicked up. On the main stage, one of the organizers grabs a microphone and tells all the concert-goers to keep on one side of the stage so that if the enormous speaker towers are blown over, no one will be hurt. But maybe, he continues, if everyone wishes for it hard enough, the rain will stop.

Immediately, we see the view from the stage and there are hippies as far as the eye can see. They all begin to chant in unison "No rain, no rain."

My fascination with the sixties began when I saw this moment, preserved on the concert film. Partly, I liked it because it made me laugh, perfectly encapsulating the ridiculousness of the movement.

But, less obviously, it was moving to see people who really believed that they could not only turn society upside down but also suspend the laws of nature through the sheer force of their good will.

I envy their extraordinary capacity for belief. I can't believe what they believed; sometimes I find it hard to believe that they believed it — but they really did. They believed incredible, absurd, and wildly incomprehensible things.

But above all, they believed in love.

Name your problem, and love would solve it. Do you think there can be no community without rules? No my friend, all you need is love.

After the terrorist attacks of September 11th, Richard Gere publicly opined that he was worried about the terrorists because of "the negativity of this karma" and the bad consequences it would have on the hijackers' future lives. Shirley MacLaine offered the prescription, "Melt their weapons, melt their hearts, melt their anger with love." And Alice Walker rejoined, "I firmly believe the only punishment that works is love."

Many found these remarks obscene, but I thought they were merely pitiable: the politics of Eden, starkly revealed in their absolute inadequacy.

A popular myth of our time is that it is the prerogative of artists to speak truth to power.

But what Gere, MacLaine and Walker revealed is that artists (I use the term loosely), lacking both power and the responsibilities that accompany it, more frequently become refugees from reality.

Far from being prophetic, their pronouncements are merely glib statements of whatever it is that they currently find agreeable to believe.

The hippies' mistake — one they share with other, apparently very different movements — is that they could never acknowledge Original Sin (which Chesterton said was the only part of Christian theology that can be proved). The politics of Eden are workable only for those untainted by selfishness and pride; they are politics for angels, not men.

There is no getting back to garden. We don't belong there.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Absence is to love what wind is to fire; it extinguishes the small, it enkindles the great."

Comte DeBussy-Rabutin
French author

My dad, Mark Twain and I won't go

I have known the pangs of loneliness that come with being forced from your warm, safe home out into the cold, remote seclusion of the back-porch.

I've felt the desolation of the outsider, spurned by the vast majority of those whom I come into contact with, their disgust and displeasure for me fueled by their sighting of my personal version of the mark of Cain.

I have been asked to leave restaurants, bars, baseball games and picnics. I've stood by myself outside in the rain and snow — clutching, with a shudder, my umbrella and securing, with a shake, my hat — obliged to be in the elements for lack of a more welcoming place to call home.

Even friends and roommates have shut their doors on me, have slammed their windows in my face and have registered their disdain for me and my deeds in not-so-subtle exhortations.

All of these sufferings result from a choice I have made in my life. It's a decision I consider fundamental to who I am and how I understand myself, but it's also one that places me in contempt of most of you — you who have so frequently made the opposite, conflicting choice as mine.

And, as I've learned the hard way, there is no middle ground upon which we might comfortably meet. No, we have chosen our camps, picked our sides, and there's no love lost by you for me.

Brute, monster, swine, miscreant, moral degenerate: they're all appella-

tions that have been levied upon me. Those names at least are printable before a polite audience. I've been called worse, I assure you.

Appeals suggesting a straighten-up and fly-right conversion have been made to me by concerned individuals who still feel I'm worthy enough a creature in which to invest a glimmer of hope.

I've been urged to correct myself, informed it's never too late to light out upon a new way and leave my old trappings behind. "Think of the example you're setting," I'm told. "Think of the public health at least — do you realize how much you and your ilk cost society every year?"

When I refuse to relent, my morals are called into question. I'm certain when many of you have seen me around campus doing the very thing I'm so often criticized for, I must have looked in your eyes, with apologies to W.B. Yeats, like some rough beast — his sinful and nauseating hour come round at last — slouching toward the Dominican Republic to be born.

But, despite your dismissals, I do have allies. Many of us have met, ironically, only because of our forced isolation. On friendless walks around the lakes or quads I've discovered compatriots who share my sense of rejection and displacement — while also sharing my vice.

Not to give away his cover, but a dear collaborator of mine happens to be a fellow Viewpoint columnist.

Like Christians of old, we construct a secret language by which to identify ourselves.

"Do you have a cutter?" one of us might ask another, in hopes of hearing a response inquiring "straight or punch?" These words are gibberish to the uninitiated, but they identify a sympathetic soul to one who shares his lot.

I was taught to be the way I am by my father, who learned from his. We're multi-generational rebels, thumbing our nose at the Puritans-come-lately of our respective generations by reveling in our transgression of choice. I know the consequences of my decision, and I've

acutely felt the ramifications of it already at age 22. But like Caesar crossing the Rubicon, I'm not looking back. Don't cry for me. I know who I am. I am a cigar smoker.

The life of a pariah forced upon those of us who choose to partake in fine tobacco, to my mind, is a small price to pay for the pleasure one finds in a good smoke. Contrary to popular myth, we don't do it for the nicotine, nor to sate some overpowering addiction.

Enjoying a cigar is like a secular sacrament. My thoughts are elevated toward something higher, a peaceful clarity of mind takes over, and the burning ash of my smoke, rising like sweet incense, brings me into a contemplative mood. For me as well, a shared cigar is a very real connection I have with my father, and something I find especially valuable as I prepare to leave home in the coming days after graduation.

Mark Twain once wrote that if he couldn't smoke in Heaven, he just wouldn't go. With respect to Mr. Clemens, I feel he's mistaken. Cigar-friendly or not, there's no reason to concern ourselves with some future Paradise. It's simpler than that. As any cigar smoker can tell you, give us a perfect hand-rolled puro plus a match, and we'll call Heaven right down here to earth.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Our own great society

Our generation, while only beginning to make an impact on the world, has an opportunity to leave a legacy that will impact society long after we are gone. This legacy can be a reformed Social Security system that truly secures the future of all generations.

We must make our voices heard and ensure that politicians remember that the future of this nation is more important than powerful special interests opposed to reform.

This debate should not be partisan. It is a generational issue and it is necessary to act, not as Democrats or Republicans, but as Americans in our pursuit of a strengthened Social Security system. It does not matter where your ideological loyalty lies: the Social Security crisis is happening now, affecting all of us, regardless of creed, gender or race. We can all stand up and be heard or let the politicians decide our future for us.

Many college students are entirely unaware of the importance and timeliness of Social Security reform. The longer we wait to act, the greater the cost. Just 12 years from now, the Social Security system will begin giving out more money than it takes in with payroll taxes.

This means that Social Security will need to dip into the "trust fund," which is actually a filing cabinet containing only IOUs that the government owes to itself, or more precisely, an accounting mechanism.

To finance the repaying of these IOUs to itself, the government will need to either raise payroll taxes by 50 percent or cut benefits by 25 percent. Either of these options will hurt our economy, and estimates are that they can only sustain the current system for about seven additional years, or what would be 20 years from now.

The facts about Social Security suggest that our generation must advocate for Personal Retirement Accounts (PRAs). This voluntary program would be gradually introduced, with workers having the option

of putting a portion of their previous Social Security tax into a private account, invested safely in indexes that would bring greater returns and prevent the government from "borrowing" the money as is done with the "trust fund." The money in the account would be combined with traditional Social Security to create better retirement living, and the money in the personal account is guaranteed to be yours. Even if a person dies young, the money will go to whomever it is willed to, unlike with the current system.

The new system will encourage economic growth because of increased investment. This is the foundation of an ownership society in which everyone is given a stake in the future.

All workers will have a reason to seek a greater preservation of our nation. By owning a piece of society through investments, building for the future becomes a greater focus in life.

Over the next few years, all of us will be entering the workforce, with a portion of our paychecks going to Social Security. To guarantee that our money is returned to us when we retire, we must have personal accounts.

We have an opportunity-and an obligation-to preserve Social Security for the future generations of Americans. It is society's duty to ensure a decent life to the elderly, who worked hard in their earlier years to sustain society for future generations.

We must also work hard to preserve a society that does not burden future generations with the poor planning of earlier generations. We must act now to preserve the goals of those who created the system and to tailor the system to meet today's needs. Through this effort, we truly will mold our own "Great Society."

Shawn McCoy
Campus Leader
Students for Saving Social Security
April 13

Other majors work hard too

After reading Kate Gales' defense of the business major, I must ask where she found the time to write to The Observer? How can one even find a moment to eat, let alone write an article, when there are numbers to enter into formulas, fake products to advertise and information systems to manage?

From what I can gather as a lowly math major, most business classes are comprised of 3 or 4 weeks of lectures and then a test. Obviously then, every few weeks a certain amount of stress is expected and all-nighters warranted.

However, I have never known a fellow math major to spend Friday or Saturday night studying, as Gales offers as proof of a business major's burdensome workload. Perhaps business is indeed more challenging than mathematics ... or maybe time management should be included into the business curriculum.

Gales reiterates her argument in extolling that she has "more exams and projects" than her pre-professional roommate. I ask, does this necessarily imply more work, or more time spent on this work? I even offer the suggestion that much of a business major's workload is comprised of busywork that only requires hours of monotonous effort.

As proof, I offer up any computer lab the night before a business project is due. It is literally filled with students copying HTML code from a book, copying formulas from a book, or creating a spreadsheet with directions found in a book.

And don't think we don't notice that while one person is copying information into the computer from a book, the other three group members are talking to another group about how they are stressed out and need a break from all this work ... work like learning how to read the newspaper, make web-pages and sign paychecks, as Gales tells us.

Finally, I did not understand the purpose of the paragraph telling us we will probably work for business majors one day and that the University would crumble without them. Without debating the truth of this statement, you are asking that, because I will work for you later, I should forgo all logical thought and believe you do substantial amounts of work all year long?

Personally, my problem with the business school is not necessarily the amount of work completed but rather the type of work expected. Business is essentially a trade. Most business majors are getting a business degree to enter the business world and make money. They learn to take numbers and put them into the correct "debit" or "credit" columns.

You could essentially train a monkey to do this. English majors don't leave doing English. Math majors don't leave doing math. In fact, the majority of non-Business majors do not leave Notre Dame with a trade.

Rather, they leave with a liberal arts education that prepares them to think critically about worldly issues and prepares them for a plethora of jobs, including the business world.

Leaving Notre Dame with an education and not a trade found at a technical school? Fine by me.

Eric Staron
junior
Dillon Hall
April 13

Emerson String Quartet plays the Leighton



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Ralph Waldo Emerson
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Photo courtesy of Patrick Ryan

STORY BY BRANDON HOLLIHAN

Holding a career that spans over a quarter of a century, the Emerson String Quartet has gained mass appeal for both its groundbreaking work in chamber music and its recording partnership with Deutsche Grammophon. Under Grammophon's license, the group has won six Grammy Awards, including honors for "Best Classical Album" and three Grammophon Magazine Awards.

The Emerson String Quartet comes to the Leighton Concert Hall at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Saturday at 8 p.m.

The Emerson Quartet's breakthrough on a national scale happened in 1989 through the performance of six Bela Bartók quartets in its Carnegie Hall debut. A recording of these quartets won both the Grammy Award for "Best Classical Album" and the Grammophon Magazine Album for "Record of the Year." Thus, the

Emerson Quartet set a new precedent in each of these award groups by becoming the first chamber music group to receive such honors.

Other high-profile recordings from the Emerson Quartet include a seven-disc boxed set of the complete Beethoven quartets in 1997; a live recording in 2000 of Shostakovich quartets at the Aspen Music Festival, which also won a Grammy; and the Emerson Encores, a compilation of quartets including composers such as Charles Ives, Samuel Barber, Robert Schumann and Anton Dvorák. In 2004, they also engaged in sacred music via Haydn's Seven Last Words of Christ and Bach's Art of the Fugue, both of which have been recorded through Grammophon.

Much like previous PAC performers this year — such as the King's Singers and, of course, the New York Philharmonic — the Emerson Quartet has been committed to the commissioning and performance of

numerous new works from such composers as Andre Prévin, Ellen Taaffe Zwillich, Ned Rorem and Edgar Meyer.

The quartet is comprised of violinists Eugene Drucker and Philip Setzer, violist Lawrence Dutton and cellist David Finckel. The musicians base themselves in New York City. They take their name from the American Transcendentalist Ralph Waldo Emerson, and bearing in mind their namesake, they perform frequently at benefit concerts for causes including nuclear disarmament, AIDS and children's diseases. Among their accolades for their humanitarian efforts is a Smithsonian award from the Smithsonian Institute.

Recent activity for the group includes a four-concert series at Carnegie Hall entitled "A Vision of Mendelssohn," which explored not only works by Mendelssohn but also entwined Bach, Beethoven and Schubert.

The tour stop at Notre Dame adds to a

worldwide presence Emerson has exerted throughout its tenure. Besides its frequent presence at Carnegie Hall (and also the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C.) the group has traveled to France, Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Spain and Belgium.

For Saturday's performance, the Emerson Quartet will perform Mozart's Quartet in G, K. 387, Shostakovich's String Quartet No. 2 and Beethoven's Op. 131.

In addition to Saturday evening's concert, the Emerson Quartet is also giving a master class for campus musicians at 2 p.m. earlier in the day.

The Emerson String Quartet will perform Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall. Tickets for the concert are \$35 for adults, \$28 for faculty/staff, \$26 for seniors and \$15 for all students.

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Student singers shine in 'A Night on Broadway'

Pasquerilla East Musical Company's fourth annual Musical Revue showcases songs and dance in musical numbers from 'RENT,' 'Chicago,' 'Les Miserables,' 'Guys and Dolls' and other favorites

By MARIA SMITH
Senior Staff Writer

Over the past three years, the Pasquerilla East Musical Company's Musical Revue, entitled "A Night on Broadway," has become something to look forward to for many students on campus.

The first Musical Revue was held when current seniors were freshmen, and as the students have aged the Revue has also matured. Attendance has increased steadily as the Revue has become a more recognizable part of campus life. The first Revue didn't even sell out its seats for two nights, but this year, the Company has had to add an extra performance to meet demand.

In the past, the Revue has featured many of the most talented performers on campus and has given students a chance to show off their dancing, singing and acting skills. This year is no different — the Revue showcases much of the talent the campus has to offer.

This year's Revue, like those of the past three years, is also set up in themed segments, which are introduced with appropriate quotes from various shows. However, this year's show focuses more on solos and serious performances than the past two years. The change has brought some strengths, and also a few weaknesses, to this year's performance.

The vocal talent in this year's show is particularly strong. Sophomore Will McAuliffe and sophomore Tim Masterton, who played a lead role in the Company's performance of "Grand Hotel" earlier this spring, are both impressive singers who will hopefully continue to perform with the Company for the next two years. Seniors Matt Patricoski and Tom Anthony and Saint Mary's student Megan Welsch perform "Louder Than Words" from "tick, tick ... BOOM!" with a powerful blend of very powerful voices.

Several performers also have excellent character voices. Freshman Kathleen Sullivan is cute and quirky performing "Summer in Ohio" from "The Last Five Years," and freshman Robert DeBroeck's strong bass is per-



Brian Grundy, left, Ramin Saghaei, Andy Lawton and Matt Patricoski harmonize in a rendition of "Is You Is, Or Is You Ain't" from "Five Guys Named Moe."

fect for "C'est Moi" from "Camelot."

However, a good show needs to balance sentiment with some shtick, and this year's show just doesn't have the great shtick that its predecessors did.

That doesn't mean there isn't any joking around. "We Both Reached For the Gun" from "Chicago," performed by Joe Garlock, Jacqui Acuna and four other cast members, stands out as the number with the most style. "Is You Is, Or Is You Ain't" from "Five Guys Named Moe" is performed by six guys from the cast, none of whom are named Moe, and the song certainly has some character.

Dance numbers are always a high point of the show. "You Can't Stop the Beat" from "Hairspray" and "Forget About the Boy" from "Thoroughly Modern Millie," the major dance numbers from this year's dance performance, are certainly entertaining. In past years dance was a more promi-

nent part of the show, and a few more of this type of number would help to break up the pace of the performance.

This year's Musical Revue marks the end of several careers in Notre Dame musical theater. Seniors Ramin Saghaei, Brian Grundy and Matt Curtin, as well as Patricoski and Anthony, have been institutions of the Company for four years. All have not only performed in the shows but also kept them running. Curtin is the director for this year's Revue. Grundy directed the show during his sophomore year, and Patricoski and Anthony produced the show during their junior year. Their graduation will be a notable loss to the PEMCo. stage.

The opening number for the 2001 Musical Revue was "Heart and Music" from "A New Brain." "I Feel So Much Spring," this year's closing number, is also from "A New Brain," and provides a nice closing point for the seniors'

Notre Dame careers.

What will the alumni do with themselves after leaving the Company behind?

"I hope we'll all find some way to keep performing," Anthony said.

"Singing telegrams," Saghaei suggested.

On the other hand, there are the alumni who never left. Notre Dame students may graduate, but some of them never leave, and the Musical Revue seems to have its own hold on its graduates. This year's show features a performance of "I Wish I Could Go Back to College" from "Avenue Q," performed by eight PEMCo. Alumni, including former Musical Revue director Shawna Monson and the veritable Mr. PEMCo. Tommy Curtin, who performed with the Company for five years before graduating and enrolling in Notre Dame Law School. All the choreography in the number is taken from past performances.

"I always listened to that song and got sad," said Monson, who organized the alumni performance. "Then I thought, there are so many alumni around, I should try to put together a number. Everyone except one person I emailed was excited about it."

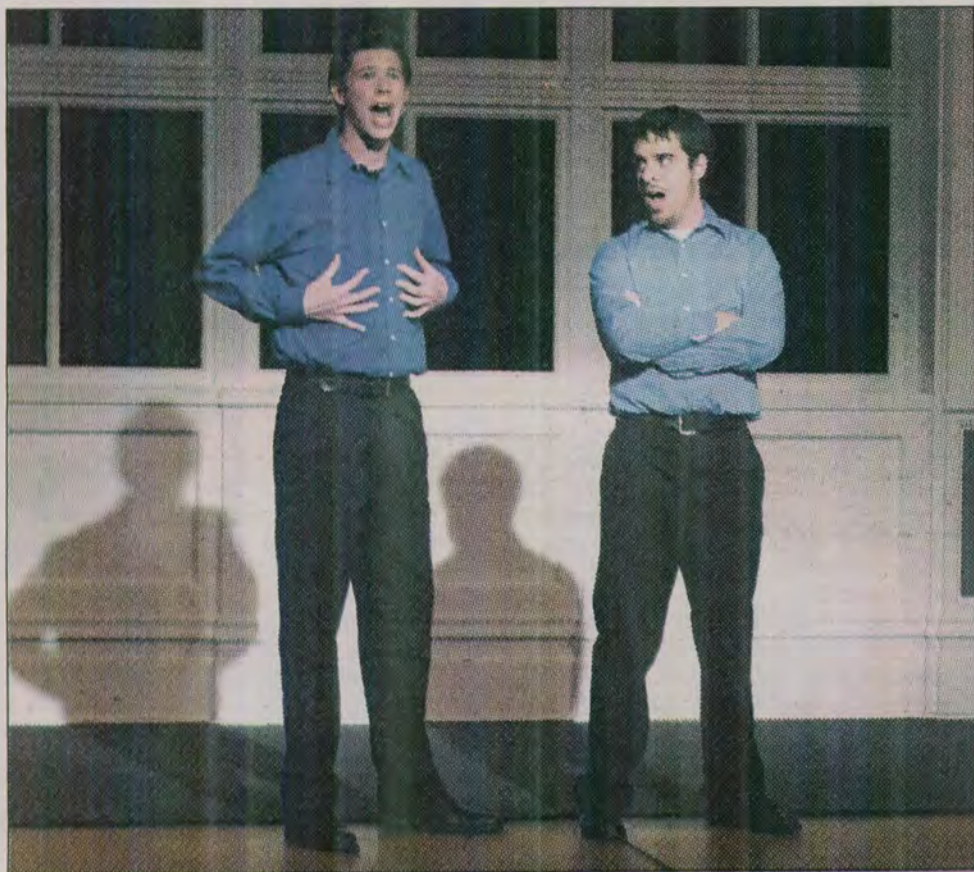
"It's great, now that I've graduated my little brother gets to boss me around," said Tommy Curtin, who is also the older brother of Matt Curtin.

If the younger members of the Company keep up the trend, PEMCo. will continue to produce loyal alumni for years. With any luck, the Musical Revue will also remain a strong tradition.

"This show is great because unlike the larger shows, you can be in it and don't have to commit your life to it," Matt Curtin said. "My goal was to showcase a lot of talent, and that's what this show does."

"A Night on Broadway" will be performed Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. Tickets cost \$5 for students and \$6 for general admission and are available at the LaFortune Box Office and at the door.

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Tim Masterton, left, and Tom Anthony perform "What You Own" from the hit musical "RENT." Both actors played lead roles in "Grand Hotel" in February.



Megan Welsch performs "Not For the Life of Me" from "Thoroughly Modern Millie." Welsch is one of the few Saint Mary's students performing in the show.

'Arcadia' looks creatively at human nature

FTT production examines the irrational side of human emotions, the pursuit of history and asks whether math and science are really all they're cracked up to be

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN
Senior Staff Writer

One never knows what might happen. "Arcadia," which opened at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on April 12 and ends on April 23, sets out to demonstrate the unpredictable and chaotic nature of humanity while exploring themes of science, art, history and other disciplines. Tom Stoppard, author of the farcical play, also has Tony Award-winners among his body of work, including "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead," "The Real Thing" and "Travesties."

The intricate plot alternates between the years 1809, 1812 and 2005, with the characters in 2005 trying to piece together clues about what happened in 1809 on a particular weekend. According to award-winning director Jay Paul Skelton, part of the fun for the audience is when characters mistakenly judge what happened in the 19th century.

Topics included in the play range from

poetry to architecture to algorithms to literary scandal concerning Lord Byron, with several of these themes merged in unexpected ways.

For instance, there's one scene in which Valentine, a postgraduate mathematician, is trying to explain iterated algorithms to author and historian Hannah. In doing so, he is actually attempting to say that he is desperately in love with her, and he's trying to make her feel close to him by revealing himself in the only way he knows how.

"Tom Stoppard is very clever and very funny," Skelton said. "We hope that we have not only portrayed the drama as compellingly as possible, but also humorously."

Skelton said much of the error of the present-day characters' assessments of the past stems from their neglecting the random nature of people. As they sort through books, letters and other items they find in the country house's library, cupboards and drawers, they try to put their clues together too systematically.

"We'd like to predict the world with math and science," Skelton said. "But we have to take into account the unpredictability of the passions and desires of people."

He said part of Stoppard's appeal is his tendency to include emotions in order to ground many of the bigger esoteric ideas in his plays. The emotional aspect of how people fall in love with people they're not supposed to, for instance, is certainly an experience that should resonate with most of the audience.

Skelton said one of the most important themes is "the journey that many people believe the world is taking from order to disorder." This theme about the disorderly conduct of human beings is one of the end results of much discussion about seemingly unrelated subjects.

The multifaceted production is appropriately supported by a range of groups - The Arts and Letters and Science Honors Program, the Boehnen Fund for

Excellence in the Arts, the department of physics, First Year of Studies, School of Architecture and an anonymous benefactor.

The themes of "Arcadia" will also be the focus of an academic conference entitled "Arcadia at Notre Dame — Nature, Science, and Art Conference" on April 22 and 23 hosted by the McKenna Center for Continuing Education, sponsored by the College of Arts and Letters, College of Science, Graduate School and the Arts and Letters and Science Honors Program.

Arcadia will be shown Thursday through Saturday and Tuesday, April 19 through Saturday, April 23 at

7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 17 at 2:30 p.m. in the Decio Mainstage Theater. Tickets cost \$8 for students, \$10 for faculty, staff and seniors and \$12 for the general public.

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"Arcadia," written by playwright Tom Stoppard, shows characters in 2005 trying unsuccessfully to piece together the events of a weekend in 1809.



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"Arcadia" shows the irrational side of human thought, particularly in emotions like love, and questions the use of math and science in explaining human behavior.

NDTV's 'The Mike Peterson Show' showcases campus talent

By LIZ BYRUM
Scene Writer

Tomorrow night, something will grace the main stage of Washington Hall that has never been seen before at this University — a live sketch comedy show created entirely by Notre Dame students. "The Mike Peterson Show" is in its first season on the school's cable access station and will be presenting its Year-End Spectacular Friday evening at 7 p.m.

NDTV, Notre Dame's television station, was built from the ground up just three years ago. In the beginning, it was a small group of students who worked to air one show every two weeks. Today, the channel has expanded to include two weekly shows, including "The Mike Peterson Show" and a news program. More than 60 students

from a variety of schools and majors within Notre Dame run the station.

"The Mike Peterson Show" began when Adam Fairholm, the co-creator and executive producer, had an idea to expand the comedy skits in NDTV's original program into something resembling his own version of a late night talk show. With inspiration from famous shows such as "Saturday Night Live" and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," Fairholm and Peterson formed their plan. They wanted to form a new sort of institution on the campus of Notre Dame, and create a buzz around it. Since the show first aired at the beginning of this semester, six episodes have been created.

Besides Peterson himself, who plays many roles including host, writer, director and editor, 25 other members of NDTV have been hard at work on this one episode alone. This includes a

large group of writers, the executive producer, three camera operators, sound and video operators and many others. Peterson had been the comedy producer before the show was created and was consequently chosen to host the newly-created show.

"We have a blast doing it, and I think it really shows through," Peterson said.

Guests for the Friday special include Sergeant Tim McCarthy, the famous pun announcer from Notre Dame football games, and Jeff Stephens, the talented rapper who makes his home in Keenan Hall. Peterson also promises a live house band, much like Conan O'Brien's "Max Weinberg 7."

"The show will consist of sketch comedy, as well as live bits that will go on throughout the course of the show, so you never know what is going to happen," Peterson said when asked about the content of Friday's show.

"The Mike Peterson Show Year-End Spectacular" is a great event to showcase the creative talent of Notre Dame's students. For those students who want to catch up on what's already happened, re-runs of previous episodes can be viewed on NDTV on any television with cable on campus or at the station's website, www.ndtv.net.

"This is something new for ND, something you've probably never seen before," Peterson said. "It's definitely a low risk show. The tickets are free, so you should get more than what you paid for."

"The Mike Peterson Show Year-End Spectacular" will begin Friday at 7 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets for the show are available at the LaFortune Box Office.

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXIV

Illegitimate Children top Chico's Bail Bonds

By ANNIE BRUSKY AND
CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Writer

In a close, hard fought battle, five of Shawn Kemp's 42 Illegitimate Children took advantage of their youth and inside-out game in order to beat the No. 27 ranked team of MBA students, Chico's Bail Bonds, 21-16.

Illegitimate Children hung on to an early lead and won in a game much closer than indicated by the score. They came out of the game bloodied and bruised but, nevertheless, victorious.

"That's how we win ... nasty," Illegitimate Children player Matt Paprocki said.

Illegitimate Children went into halftime with an 11-6 lead, but Chico's Bail Bonds caught them off-guard at the beginning of the second half with their fast-break offense.

Temporarily unable to hit shots, Illegitimate Children seemed to be losing steam, and their opponents pulled within one point to make the game 12-11.

Then Illegitimate Children stepped up on defense and made some key steals. With Obi Idigo playing the post position and the other four making shots from outside, Illegitimate Children were able to achieve the upset and send the ranked team home early. Fritz Shadley led the way with eight points.

The squad finished the game strong, with captain Rick Loesing's behind-the-back pass to Eric Kimbue winning the game.

"We fought hard," Loesing said. "They were tough and talented, but we handled them."

The French Connection 21 Fruit of the Loom 12

Although Fruit of the Loom came out strong in their underwear-inspired costumes, The French Connection proved to be too much to handle down low and won the game.

Tied 6-6 early in the game, the two evenly-matched teams were neck-and-neck. Then The French Connection, the No. 28 ranked team in the tournament, slowly broke away, giving more proof to the fact that, as they put it, "the French always win."

"We just had to warm up,"

Beau Martin of The French Connection said. "We started blocking a lot of shots. [Andrew] Crowe and I had a block party, and Fruit of the Loom was invited."

"We started taking stupid shots and turning the ball over," Fruit of the Loom's point guard Matt "Frodo" Haggerty said. "They were slashing to the basket, just slashing. We couldn't stop it."

With a halftime score of 11-6, The French Connection continued to use their quickness and the experienced brother tandem of Ty and Beau Martin to prevent Fruit of the Loom from moving within five points.

Working through the distractions their opponents provided, including the underwear they wore over their shorts, The French Connection repeatedly scored off of offensive rebounds and played tough defense, preventing Fruit of the Loom from getting many decent shots off.

"We're looking good," Crowe said. "We want to be the first 28 seed to win it all. I don't think they've seen five French ballers like us on this campus yet."

CANIWRITECHEque 21 Gunther and the Sunshine Girls 7

Using their height and well-balanced shooting attack to their advantage, CANIWRITECHEque dominated the game after jumping to an early lead and finished with a impressive victory.

Gunther and the Sunshine Girls were outplayed as they struggled to make shots and get rebounds. They entered halftime in an 11-3 hole.

CANIWRITECHEque captain John Harrington credited his team's win to their superb cheering section, as well as to "the sheer grit and determination of Will Jourdan and Mark 'MoneyMaker' Munninghoff."

The team's offense included multiple points from each of their members and a solid effort by all.

"The freshman stepped it up," Harrington said. "Plus, we have a walk-on!"

Freshman Mark Saurer looked to the team's chemistry as a decisive element in its victory.

"We just play well as a team," he said.

CANIWRITECHEque is hoping to make a run in the tournament, but Gunther and the Sunshine



BETH WERNET/The Observer

The French Connection battles underwear-clad Fruit of the Loom in Bookstore Basketball action Wednesday night. The French Connection knocked off Fruit of the Loom, 21-16, to advance.

Girls isn't feeling too heartbroken themselves.

"We might have lost the game, but we will continue to celebrate the four pillars of Gunther," Dave Barden said.

No. 9 HP 21, We Declined An Invitation To The NIT 1

There was no doubt HP deserves to be ranked in the top ten teams in this year's Bookstore Tournament field after Wednesday night's game against We Declined An Invitation To The NIT.

HP dominated all aspects of the game en route to a stomping of the Decliners, a team made up entirely of Glee Club members.

Many members of the all-male choral group had shaved heads in support of fellow musician Cole Barker, who is suffering from cancer. But the Decliners managed to take only nine shots all game, making just one and recording five air balls.

Frustrated Decliners fans disagreed on which areas their team needed to improve on most.

"They need to work on their defense and really push the ball," lifetime Decliners supporter Catelyn Wood said.

Superfan Eileen Papesh had a different take.

"They need to stop smoking and [point guard] Adam [Istvan] needs to learn to dribble and shoot," she said.

As for HP, the strong showing should give them momentum going into the third round of the

tournament, which takes place this weekend. The team looked crisp, employing backdoor cuts and well-timed passes and systematically breaking down the Decliners defense.

Captain and point guard Andrew White attributed the crisp play to the team's experience playing together.

"Me and [shooting guard Mike Knesec] have played together for all four years," he said.

Despite the impressive performance and lofty ranking, White remained cautious regarding his team's chances in the next few rounds of the tournament.

"Obviously we have big size inside, but teams are going to get bigger and stronger so we're going to have to pick up the intensity and hopefully we'll do well," he said.

Blazers 21, We're Training To Be Cage Fighters 15

The Blazers stepped out on to the Bookstore courts Thursday night expecting to be the more athletic team in their game against We're Training To Be Cage Fighters, and as they built a commanding 11-2 halftime lead, it looked as if the game might go as planned.

The Cage Fighters had other plans, however. They stormed back to within five points in the second half before finally succumbing to the quicker Blazers..

The Cage Fighters switched defenses during the halftime break, employing a zone to make

up for their speed disadvantage.

"It was the change of defense that did it," shooting guard and team captain Jeff Carney said. "We switched over to zone, and with the night being windy their outside shooting wasn't very effective, so the zone worked pretty well."

Center Butch Taylor gave another explanation for the team's sudden turnaround at half.

"It was the first time we'd played together, so we needed a half to get used to each other," Taylor said. "If there was a tournament with three halves, we probably would have done even better."

Blazers point guard Mike Dupuis said poor shooting and a lack of intensity in the second half contributed to his team's near collapse.

"It's not like their zone confused us," DuPuis said. "It's just that we weren't hitting and we weren't playing the offense we should have. We can play better than that."

Despite his disappointment in the second half, Dupuis said there was no shame in playing a close game with the Cage Fighters.

"They could all play," he said. "But I wish that our intensity had stayed up and we had played better."

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A haiku from one of ND's up-and-
coming poets...wow, this is deep!
Oh Squirrels
You rock
To love you is so sweet
Don't eat trash squirrels

who knew room picks would be so
crazy for h-town and w-a-thon?

"I thought I saw a 50 pound frog in
the road, but it was just a paper
bag."

Oh thesaurus,
You savesus my buttus
When no wordsus
Come to my mindus.

I'll miss 161 next year!

AROUND THE NATION

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ITA Tennis Rankings

Men's		Women's	
rank	team	rank	team
1	Baylor	1	Stanford
2	Virginia	2	Kentucky
3	Mississippi	3	Northwestern
4	Illinois	4	Southern California
5	Duke	5	Vanderbilt
6	Florida	6	Georgia
7	UCLA	7	Florida
8	Pepperdine	8	Georgia Tech
9	Texas Tech	9	Miami (FL)
10	Georgia	10	UCLA
11	Washington	11	Texas
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13	Texas A&M	13	North Carolina
14	Oklahoma State	14	Clemson
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16	Stanford	16	Duke
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18	Tulane	18	William and Mary
19	Southern California	19	TCU
20	Mississippi State	20	Tennessee
21	Texas Corpus-Christi	21	California
22	Florida State	22	Washington
23	Tennessee Knoxville	23	South Carolina
24	California	24	Arizona State
25	Wake Forest	25	Wake Forest

MLB



Groundscrew members paint the Washington Nationals logo behind homeplate at RFK Stadium, getting the field ready for Thursday night's home opener, the first Major League baseball opening day in Washington in 33 years. AP

Major League Baseball

American League East

team	record	perc.	streak	GB
Toronto	6-2	.750	Won 4	-
Baltimore	5-3	.625	Won 3	1
NY Yankees	4-4	.500	Won 1	2
Boston	3-5	.375	Lost 1	3
Tampa Bay	3-5	.375	Lost 3	3

American League Central

team	record	perc.	streak	GB
Chicago Sox	6-2	.750	Won 2	-
Minnesota	4-3	.571	Won 2	1.5
Detroit	3-4	.429	Lost 2	2.5
Kansas City	3-5	.375	Lost 2	3
Cleveland	3-5	.375	Lost 2	3

American League West

team	record	perc.	streak	GB
LA Angels	5-3	.625	Won 2	-
Seattle	4-4	.500	Won 2	1
Texas	3-5	.375	Lost 2	2
Oakland	3-5	.375	Lost 2	2

National League East

team	record	perc.	streak	GB
Florida	5-4	.556	Won 2	-
Washington	5-4	.556	Won 2	-
Atlanta	5-4	.556	Lost 2	-
Philadelphia	4-5	.444	Lost 2	1
NY Mets	3-5	.375	Won 3	1.5

National League Central

team	record	perc.	streak	GB
Milwaukee	5-3	.625	Won 1	-
Houston	4-3	.571	Lost 2	.5
Cincinnati	4-4	.500	Won 1	1
Chicago Cubs	4-5	.444	Won 1	1.5
St. Louis	3-4	.429	Lost 1	1.5
Pittsburgh	3-6	.333	Lost 1	2.5

National League West

team	record	perc.	streak	GB
Arizona	6-3	.667	Won 4	-
Los Angeles	5-2	.714	Won 1	-
San Diego	5-4	.556	Lost 1	1
San Francisco	4-3	.571	Lost 1	1
Colorado	1-7	.125	Lost 7	4.5

Nationals prep for home opener

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As a kid in the 1940s, Bowie Kuhn ran the hand-operated scoreboard for the original Washington Senators at now-departed Griffith Stadium. As the commissioner of Major League Baseball decades later, the native Washingtonian tried in vain to keep a team in the nation's capital.

On Thursday night, Kuhn plans to be among the 46,000 or so in the RFK Stadium crowd when the Nationals make their home debut against the Arizona Diamondbacks — the city's first regular-season major

league game since Sept. 30, 1971.

"It's a very sentimental thing for me," Kuhn said. "It was just a matter of time before baseball returned."

The night caps a series of celebrations marking that return: the first spring training game, an April 3 exhibition game and dress rehearsal at RFK, and the April 4 opening day game at Philadelphia. If this is the last party, it's also the biggest, with President Bush slated to throw out the ceremonial first pitch and more than two hours of pregame festivities featuring appearances by 10 former Senators.

"Everybody's looking forward to it," pitcher Zach Day said. "We know it's going to be a long day, but everybody's excited for the day to come."

Washingtonians have pined for a ballclub to call their own ever since the Senators left for Texas 34 years ago. That was the last time any major league team switched cities.

This time, Beltway baseball fans are the beneficiaries of dwindling local support for the Montreal Expos, who were given a new town, a new nickname and new uniforms. But the roster is mostly unchanged, and the

Nationals' only real household name belongs to someone who won't use a bat or glove Thursday: Frank Robinson, a Hall of Fame player who 30 years ago became the majors' first black manager.

Still, the Nationals are tied for first in the NL East after beating the Atlanta Braves 11-4 Wednesday to improve to 5-4, all on the road.

"This is a happy day for Washington and a very sad day for Canada and Montreal. Montreal was given every chance, and it's about time Washington got its chance," Kuhn, 78, said in a telephone interview.

IN BRIEF

Super Bowl Champion Patriots visit White House

WASHINGTON — President Bush welcomed the New England Patriots to the White House on Wednesday, a ceremony that has become a tradition now that the team has won the Super Bowl during three of Bush's four years in office.

"You know, the commentators would say, 'Well, they're not the flashiest bunch, they're not the fanciest bunch,'" the president said during a ceremony in the Rose Garden. "They just happen to be the best team. They're the team that showed that when you play together, when you serve something greater than yourself, you win."

About 30 players attended, including quarterback Tom Brady and linebacker Tedy Bruschi, who is recovering from a stroke suffered just after he played in the Pro Bowl in February. Bush saluted Bruschi, saying, "I congratulate you on showing such incredible courage on the field

and off the field. There's a lot of people that were praying for you, I know."

Davenport advances in Family Circle Cup

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Top-ranked Lindsay Davenport needed just 55 minutes to advance to the third round of the Family Circle Cup, beating Canadian Marie-Eve Pelletier 6-2, 6-2 on Wednesday.

Davenport is trying to win the Family Circle Cup for the first time. Her best finish in the clay-court tournament came two years ago when she lost to Serena Williams in the semifinals.

Davenport said she is more relaxed on clay than in years past.

"I feel like on a hard court or a grass court, you know, I should or can beat any player in the world," she said. "I feel like on a clay court it's a little bit more of an equalizer for my opponents and I'm aware of that. I do my best. I try to play my style of game and see how it goes."

Italian officials prepare to deal with soccer violence

ROME — Premier Silvio Berlusconi said Wednesday that "drastic measures" may be needed to stem the rise of violence at Italian soccer stadiums, a day after a fan hit a goalkeeper with a flare in a European Champions League quarterfinal.

Soccer's European governing body said it will decide Friday on what punishment to impose on Internazionale of Milan. AC Milan goalkeeper Dida was hit on a shoulder Tuesday night, and the referee abandoned the game after Inter fans threw more flares onto the field at San Siro stadium.

Milan police chief Paolo Scarpis said four Inter fans were arrested in relation to Tuesday night's trouble. He said others were being identified and more arrests were likely.

Last weekend, scores of fans were arrested and 89 police officers injured in fighting at stadiums across the country.

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Yankees at Red Sox, 7:05 p.m., ESPN

NBA

Miami at Philadelphia, 8 p.m., TNT
Dallas at Portland, 10:30 p.m., TNT

SMC SOFTBALL

Belles set to battle the Dutch

Saint Mary's hopes to break 13-game losing streak today

By TOM STILES
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's (5-16) will look to stop the bleeding tonight when Hope College (16-6) comes to Saint Mary's Softball Diamond for a doubleheader beginning at 3:30 p.m.

The Belles are in dire need of a win to snap their current 13-game slide and end the season on a positive note.

Hope College comes in with a conference record of 6-2, which is good for third place in the MIAA.

Unfortunately for the Belles, Hope College has been playing very well of late. This is evidenced by its two impressive shutout victories over Adrian College Tuesday, with scores of 2-0 and 8-0, respectively.

Hope College also boasts both the offensive and defensive players of the week in freshman right fielder Jessica Regnerus and junior pitcher Becky Whitman.

Regnerus just finished off Week Four of MIAA play by batting .637 with three RBI's and a stolen base, helping her team to four victories. Whitman owns two of those victories, which she earned by allowing two hits over twelve scoreless, striking out a total of seven batters while walking none.

The Belles find themselves dead last in the MIAA standings with a record of 0-8. The last two losses came at the hands of Calvin College, who proved to be too much for the struggling Belles.

Calvin upped its conference and overall records to 4-0 and 14-8, respectively, by defeating Saint Mary's 6-3 in game one and 11-2 in game two.

In game one, junior Bridget Grall pitched well enough for the win, allowing only two earned runs while striking out three in her six innings of work. Sophomore infielders Sarah Miesle and Laura Helene each had one hit apiece, leading the offensive attack by driving in one and two runs respectively.

Game two saw Calvin's bats come alive, as freshman starter McKenna Corrigan and Grall were roughed up for eleven runs on fourteen hits in their combined seven innings of work.

The Saint Mary's offense was stifled by senior pitcher Kara Van Kooten, who one-hit the Belles to go along with her four punch outs.

Despite the losing streak, the Belles remain upbeat heading into the double-header tonight against Hope.

"I think we're playing good ball ... we're gonna get some breaks one of these days," Miesle said.

In the midst of this slump, some confidence could be Saint Mary's greatest weapon.

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OLYMPICS

Hamm named top amateur athlete

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Gymnast Paul Hamm finally won an easy one.

No spectacular comeback was necessary. No court battles are foreseen. Olympic gold medalist Hamm received the 75th Sullivan Award as the nation's top amateur athlete.

"Oh, this is such a huge honor," he said before turning to congratulate the other seven finalists in attendance Wednesday night. "It's just great to be one of the Sullivan Award winners."

Hamm beat out previous winner Michael Phelps as well as Olympians Carly Patterson, Natalie Coughlin, Cael Sanderson, Andre Ward, Jeremy Wariner and Steven Lopez for the award, which Phelps won last year before going on to claim six gold medals and two bronzes at the Athens Olympics — matching the record for most medals at a single games.

Southern Cal quarterback Matt Leinart also was a finalist, along with Elisha Au (karate).

In Athens, Hamm came back from 12th place in the all-around with only two events left to become the only U.S. man to win the Olympic all-around. But two days later, gymnastics officials discovered that Yang Tae-Young of South Korea had been wrongly docked a tenth of a point on his second-to-last routine, the parallel bars.

Yang asked the Court of Arbitration for Sport to order international gymnas-

tics officials to change the results and adjust the medal rankings accordingly, giving him the gold and Hamm the silver.

But the CAS panel dismissed the appeal, leaving Hamm with the gold.

In the months since, hundreds of people told Hamm he was an inspiration. People told him they admired his perseverance and determination.

Hamm didn't mention the dispute during his public comments, but said he appreciated the support of "people in the United States" during his brief acceptance speech.

Hamm is only the second gymnast to win the Sullivan award. Kurt Thomas won in 1979.

Former winner Sarah Hughes presided over the ceremony at the New York Athletic Club, introducing each finalist. Each one rose and politely spoke of the honor of being nominated. When she reached Ward, a gold medalist in boxing at Athens who hasn't lost a bout since the age of 14, he brought the room to laughter.

"As you guys heard, I haven't lost since I was 14 years old, so if I don't win this, it's going to be pretty hard to swallow," he said.

Voting on the USA Today Web site helped determine the winner. More than 500,000 people voted online.

The award is named after Amateur Athletic Union founder James E. Sullivan, and has been presented annually since 1930.



Olympic medalist Paul Hamm, left, poses with brother Morgan at a press conference last August.



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ND SOFTBALL

Weather poses problems

By THOMAS BARR
Sports Writer

Rain, rain, go away. Entering today's contest against the University of Illinois Chicago (28-19) on the heels of yet another cancellation due to inclement weather, the Irish are just hoping to get this one in.

Thus far this season, 12 regular season games and the seed play of a tournament have been postponed or cancelled due to unplayable weather conditions.

"We have faced a lot of adversity from the weather this season," coach Deanna Gumpf said. "It could affect [us], but we cannot let it. We just remember that there is absolutely nothing we can do about it and take it in stride."

The Irish travel to Chicago for today's game against the UIC Flames.

Illinois Chicago has faltered

of late, winning only two of its last five games. Like the Irish, the Flames also lost their last scheduled game to rain.

Senior Steffany Stenglein is scheduled to start today's game and hopes to add to her ten wins and team-leading 141 strikeouts.

Junior Heather Booth is likely to come in for relief. Booth currently boasts a 13-4 record with a 1.10 ERA.

The Irish hope to slow down Flames star outfielder Cameron

Astiazaran. Cameron is third in the nation in slugging percentage at .895, eighth in batting average, hitting at a .477 clip, and second in doubles with 23.

"Astiazaran is really a stud player," Gumpf said. "Basically, we need to get her to swing at bad pitches. We need her to swing at our pitchers' best pitches and keep it out of her power zone."

The Irish respect the abili-

ties of the whole Flames team and are not focusing only on their star.

"They are scrappy, one of the scrappiest teams out there," Gumpf said. "They can flat out hit. They are mistake hitters, and if you make a mistake, they can make you pay."

Due to lack of games in recent days, Gumpf believes the recent efforts of Liz Hartmann, Stephanie Brown and Sara Schoonaert deserve special recognition. "Liz Hartmann has really been on a roll", Gumpf said. "Stephanie has definitely stepped as leadoff hitter, and Sara Schoonaert has been hitting exceptionally [well] the last few games."

In fact, in Schoonaert's last four games, she has gone 7-for-11 with three RBI and a run.

The streak has upped her season batting average more than 60 points to .283.

Today's first pitch is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Flames Field.

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SMC TENNIS

Saint Mary's shut out by host Kalamazoo

By PATRICK McCABE
Sports Writer

The Belles fell to Kalamazoo College 9-0 Wednesday, but the lopsided score misleads.

"The score didn't reflect the closeness of the matches," Saint Mary's co-captain Miranda Mikulyuk noted. "We lost two singles matches in three sets and another two 5-7, 4-6."

Fellow captain Kristen Palombo was disappointed with the results of the match.

"You never want to lose by that score," Palombo said. "We should have pulled a couple of matches out for sure. It just wasn't one of our days."

"We can't focus on this loss, because we will play two tough matches, one at home against Albion on Sunday and another on Tuesday against Calvin. We have to quickly place this loss beside us and move on."

The captains attributed the loss to various factors.

"We're still young and inexperienced," Mikulyuk said. "We didn't play poorly, just not good enough."

"Also, the injuries have affected

the team. Usually teams expect and absorb the departures of one or two seniors but three graduated last year. Additionally, one player is studying abroad and injury has sidelined [Grace Gordon]. We have five new players among our top seven. It's tough to recover. We arrived only fifteen minutes before play began, so we had little warm-up time which led to a poor start in doubles."

Both captains agreed that blustering winds affected the matches.

"The weather and high winds made it tough and threw off our game a bit," Mikulyuk said.

The tandem disagreed about the effectiveness of Kalamazoo's practice of rearranging its lineup for each opponent.

Despite dropping to 1-2 in conference play, the Belles will draw strength from their history of unflappability.

"The team finished tied for second last year but elevated its play to win the conference tournament," Mikulyuk said.

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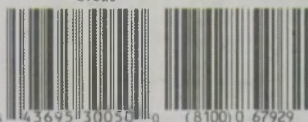
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Irish came within one match of pulling out a victory against No. 30 Ohio State.

With senior captain Brent D'Amico forced to watch from the sidelines, the Irish had to make up an early 3-1 deficit yesterday against the Buckeyes. Winning the next three singles matches put the team within a singles victory of the match win, leaving Barry King in the last singles match on court.

But cramps affected the Irish sophomore late in the match. After taking an injury timeout, King returned to the No. 2 singles match but lost 7-5, 7-5 to

Ohio State's Devin Mullings.

"I felt we played a very courageous match," Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said. "But today was a day where it was kind of within our grasp, and we weren't quite able to take the match. Barry played one of his better matches of the year. I thought the No. 2 match was the highest level of all the matches, and Barry played very well but just didn't quite win."

D'Amico has been coping with a nagging hamstring injury since the beginning of the month, an injury that kept him out of singles play against Southern Methodist. But the senior was able to play in the team's last match against Ball State, a 6-1 team victory. Unfortunately, D'Amico's leg

once again caused him trouble during doubles play.

"We thought [Brent] was going to be okay, but as doubles went on, his leg tightened up and he wasn't able to play singles, which is unfortunate," Bayliss said. "But life goes on, and you've got to play with the hand you're dealt."

The reshuffled doubles teams the Irish have been sporting for the past few weeks played well against the formidable Buckeye competition. D'Amico and junior Eric Langenkamp lost 8-2 to the Ohio State duo of Scott Green and Ross Wilson, the No. 1 doubles team in the nation.

Notre Dame also had chances in the other two doubles matches but dropped both in close contests. Sophomores Ryan

Keckley and King lost a close 9-7 decision to Ohio State's Chris Klingemann and Mullings. Sophomore Stephen Bass and freshman Sheeva Parbhu were playing a close 8-7 contest against Joey Atas and Drew Eberly before the match was abandoned to finish before darkness set in on the outdoors play.

"We're somewhat pleased with the new doubles pairings," Bayliss said. "Ohio State's very good in doubles, and we knew that. We lost No. 1 doubles badly, but again Brent wasn't 100 percent. We were up 7-2 at No. 2 and lost 9-7. We really let that match get away. We were up two breaks and just didn't pull the trigger when it was there."

Although D'Amico, who has played at the No. 1 singles slot for most of the season, was missed in singles play, the Irish closed the early gap in the heart of their lineup. Parbhu, junior Patrick Buchanan and Langenkamp posted three crucial singles victories at the No. 3, 5 and 6 slots, respectively, to bring the match closer within reach.

"It's good to know that we can come out and play a quality team right to the hilt on the road without one of our top players," Bayliss said. "That's good to know, but you still have to win those matches when they're close."

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NCAA BASKETBALL

McCants emulates Jordan

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — For Rashad McCants, it's all about being like Mike.

He pretended to be Michael Jordan when he was a kid and took the reverse of Jordan's retired No. 23 when he arrived at North Carolina. After his sophomore season, McCants decided to come back to school for one more year, hoping to win a national championship — like Jordan.

Now, having helped the Tar Heels win their fourth title, McCants will follow.

A comparison to Jordan might seem a stretch, but McCants — a third team all-ACC selection this season — certainly didn't shy away from it as he formally announced his decision to enter the NBA draft.

Last year, "I figured I've got to come back and at least have something to say to Mike when I get up there and talk to him," McCants said at a news conference. "And say, 'Hey, I stayed three years just like you, and we won a championship just like you.'"

McCants, whose 16-point average was second among Tar Heels, said he is hiring an agent, a move that would prevent him from returning for his senior season. But he said he would continue working toward his college degree.

McCants was joined by coach Roy Williams and his parents, James McCants and Brenda Muckelvene, for the news conference, making official a decision expected for more than a week. The day after the Tar Heels beat Illinois 75-70 in the NCAA final, Williams said he expected McCants to head for the NBA.

Williams said Wednesday that McCants had his "complete support" in making a move the two began discussing in January.

The coach credited McCants for maintaining his focus in the months since, a trying period that included Muckelvene's treatments for breast cancer and an intestinal disorder that sidelined McCants for four games.

The 6-foot-4 swingman's scoring fell from a 20-point average as a sophomore, but his all-around game improved. He took fewer shots, increased his assist total and played better defense.

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Banquet

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felt he's accomplished that. Thomas said he was glad the crowd at the banquet was smaller than last year's because he believed that was the true Notre Dame community.

When it came down to the emotions for Thomas, they weren't there.

"I'm really not emotional tonight,"

Thomas said. "I'm kind of happy. You appreciate the time and can part on good terms."

And when Thomas got to the end of his speech, he passed on the torch of the program.

"You can close the chapter and open a new one," Thomas said.

"I'm not saying goodbye because I'm ready to leave. I'm ready to let somebody else take over."

The emotional senior on the night was Jordan Cornette, who had to compose himself a number of times at the end of his speech when talking about his memories and teammates and thanking his parents for everything they've given him.

"It's been, without a doubt, an incredible ride, and for that I'm grateful," Cornette said.

But Cornette did get a good

joke in at the end of his speech.

"I'm going to really miss this Joyce Center, no matter how crappy it is," he said.

Walk-on senior Greg Bosl also gave a speech, speaking prior to Thomas and Cornette.

After a season that ended with a disappointing first-round loss in the NIT to Holy Cross, Mike Brey said goodbye to the graduating seniors and started setting his sights on the future at the end of the banquet.

With three returning starters and a loaded incoming freshman class, the optimism will return prior to the tip-off of the 2005-06 season.

"We certainly didn't finish the way we wanted, but this group had its moments," Brey said.

"This was something to build on. The returning group learned a lot from this year."

Notes:

A decision on Dennis Latimore's returning for next season will be announced early next week, possibly Monday.

Latimore was the recipient of the Rockne Student Athlete Award at the banquet Wednesday night. The senior, who transferred from Arizona prior to the 2003-04 season, is a double major in English

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Chris Thomas
senior guard

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two CMU base runners taking their leads in scoring position, pinch hitter Derek Schaller singled to right field with two outs. On the ensuing play, center-fielder Alex Nettey stood ready for what would have been the third out of the inning but lost the ball in the lights and wind. It sailed over his head for a bases-clearing triple that dampened any comeback hopes the Irish may have had.

"There've been a lot of strange things happen this year," coach Paul Mainieri said. "I don't know if it's us, or if we're just not playing smart enough baseball, or if it's just the way things happen sometimes in this sport."

Unable to capitalize on a solid pitching outing by freshman lefty Wade Korpi, the Irish (17-15) threw four different pitchers who struggled to hold the Chippewas after Korpi exited following the fifth inning. One of those four was 7-1 ace reliever Ryan Doherty.

Doherty walked two batters and plunked two others out of the ten Chippewas he faced.

Korpi left the game with his team trailing 3-1 as the Irish struggled to find any offensive output against Central Michigan starter Jayson Ruhlman. Ruhlman gave up only three hits through four innings. Korpi (3-1) took his first loss of the year.

"Tonight I didn't think we played with our heads at all," Mainieri said. "For having a really bright group of kids, I



BRAD CARMEAN/The Observer

Irish junior catcher Matt Bransfield scoops up the ball in Wednesday's game against Central Michigan.

don't think that we played like bright baseball players tonight.

"It was frustrating tonight. It just didn't seem like we could get the big hit, and they did. At the end there, they started getting some clutch hits that hurt us."

Third baseman Brett Lilley recorded three hits and two RBIs, and catcher Matt Bransfield added two hits to pace the Irish offense.

The Irish are now 3-2 on the season against Mid-American Conference opponents. Notre Dame suffered its fourth non-conference midweek loss of the season, a major setback in any hopes of continuing the 16-year

streak of 40-win seasons and qualifying for the NCAA tournament for the seventh straight season.

"I'm resolved to the fact that we're going to have to win the conference tournament to get into the NCAA tournament; I'm certain of that," Mainieri said. "We've just had too many mid-week losses that are going to hurt us if it comes down to a selection committee decision."

"It's our own fault. We just didn't get the job done in some of these games that we needed to."

The goal for the rest of the season is simple.

"Our avenue to the NCAA tournament is we're going to have to qualify for the Big East tournament and win the Big East tournament," Mainieri said. "That's just the way it's going to be."

Saturday at noon, the Irish take on the Huskies (19-10) in a crucial conference doubleheader at home. The third and final game of the series is Sunday at noon. Notre Dame (5-4, Big East) and Connecticut (4-4, Big East) are currently in the middle of the pack of the Big East standings, both vying for the coveted fourth spot in the conference tournament.

St. John's is the Big East leader at 7-1 in the conference, while every team behind the Red Storm has at least three losses.

"The focus is totally on Connecticut, now," Mainieri said. "If we get the job done this weekend, we can put ourselves in a pretty decent position."

The Saturday starters for Notre Dame will be sophomore Dan Kapala and junior Tom Thornton — the same rotation as last weekend. Manship will again start in the Sunday game with fellow sophomore Jeff Samardzija ready to back him up.

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eight-match winning streak, Northwestern's strength lies in doubles — just like Notre Dame.

The doubles matches at each position will be nothing short of fierce. The No. 4 duo of sophomores Catrina and Christian Thompson will challenge No. 1 Audra Cohen and Christelle Grier at the No. 1 position, while junior Lauren Connelly and Brook Buck

will face No. 36 Alexis Prousis and Kristi Roemer.

"[Northwestern] looks like they're going to be tough, but we're looking forward to the challenge," Louderback said. "This will be a good weekend to help us get ready for the Big East because we're still fighting for the No. 1 or 2 seed at regionals for the NCAA's."

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Quinn

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best you possibly can so you can exceed all expectations of everyone else and win a national championship. That's more or less the goal every time you go out there."

Quinn has had his share of ups and downs since taking over the starting role against Purdue in 2003.

He threw for 1,831 yards, nine touchdowns and 15 interceptions in his freshman season.

Last season, his numbers improved as the 6-foot-4, 228-pounder tossed 17 touchdowns and threw for 2,586 yards with only 10 interceptions.

As spring football winds down and the 2005 season looms, the pressure is greater than ever on Quinn as he tries to lead the Irish back to college football's elite.

But he is thankful for the presence of former Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus, who is filling in for quarterback coach David Cutcliffe while Cutcliffe recov-

ers from heart surgery in Mississippi.

"One thing I've been able to do over the last couple of weeks is talk to [Powlus] about his past experiences," Quinn said.

"He's been a great resource and someone to talk to. He always tries to get you to move on to the next play. Don't worry about the last play, whether it was good or bad, you can't worry about that."

The lack of another veteran quarterback has given Quinn a lot of one-on-one time with Irish head coach Charlie Weis.

Weis' ability to design powerful offenses coupled with the fact that starters return at every offensive position for Notre Dame gives Quinn confidence as he faces the pressures of next season.

"I feel extremely comfortable out there," Quinn said. "When you have an offense with a lot of guys coming back, you feel comfortable with the guys up front, with your receivers [and with] what you can expect from them running their pass routes."

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FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK

Injury sidelines Abiamiri

By ERIC RETTER
Sports Writer

Sophomore defensive end Victor Abiamiri will miss the remainder of spring practice. Abiamiri sustained a leg injury after being kicked in the shin during Tuesday's practice. Initially, team officials were concerned about the long term consequences of his injury, but those fears were dispelled after a doctor saw Abiamiri on Wednesday.

"At first, we thought there was a bone that was displaced and cracked, but fortunately that wasn't the case," Irish coach Charlie Weis said.

"If it was a bone that was broken, he would be out six months."

The injury is not expected to slow Abiamiri down by the time next season begins.

"He couldn't play this week or next week if we were playing," Weis said. "He would have been out a few weeks, but by the time we come back, he'll be set and ready to go," Weis said.

Impressive speed

Junior walk-on wide receiver Brandon Harris has impressed the coaching staff all spring with his speed. Harris recently started working at cornerback in practice.

Weis is optimistic Harris may prove to be a valuable asset for the team.

"I don't know if he's going to be a wide receiver or if he's going to be a DB, but when a kid runs as fast as he runs,



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The Hammes Bookstore will begin selling bracelets April 23 as coach Charlie Weis' Hannah and Friends organization and Forever Collectibles team up to benefit the Logan Center.

you want to at least give him a chance to compete," Weis said.

The shift, Weis hopes, may indicate where Harris will best be able to succeed.

"You have to see where he's going to be on your depth chart as a receiver," Weis said. "If he's not going to be in your two-deep and multiple-receiver sets, then maybe he can be in your two-deep as a defensive back."

"We're looking to find niches for people so we know 'what are we going to do with them,' so when you go out there and play games, you can kind of try to figure out who the best guys are and get them all out there."

Patriotic celebration

The New England Patriots were at the White House again on Wednesday to celebrate their NFL championship with President George W. Bush. About 30 players and coaches attended the reception, but

one of the key figures missing from the Super Bowl Champions was Charlie Weis, as the Irish coach was in South Bend for Notre Dame's spring practice.

Reaching out

Hannah and Friends, the foundation created by Irish coach Charlie Weis and his wife Maura to support individuals affected by autism and developmental disabilities, has partnered with Forever Collectibles and is announcing the release of officially licensed bracelets that will be sold to help support the foundation and the South-Bend based LOGAN (see photo above).

The Hammes Bookstore has already purchased 50,000 bracelets, which are slated to go on sale April 23 — the date of the Blue-Gold Scrimmage — for \$2 apiece.

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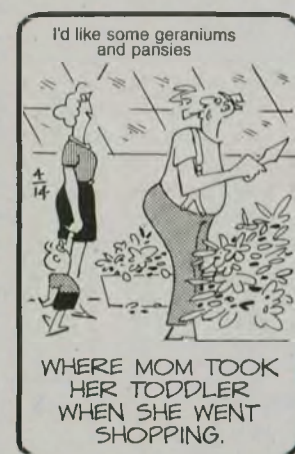
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Answer: Why he couldn't go to the dinner party in his favorite shirt - IT WAS "WORN" OUT

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



WHERE MOM TOOK HER TODDLER WHEN SHE WENT SHOPPING.

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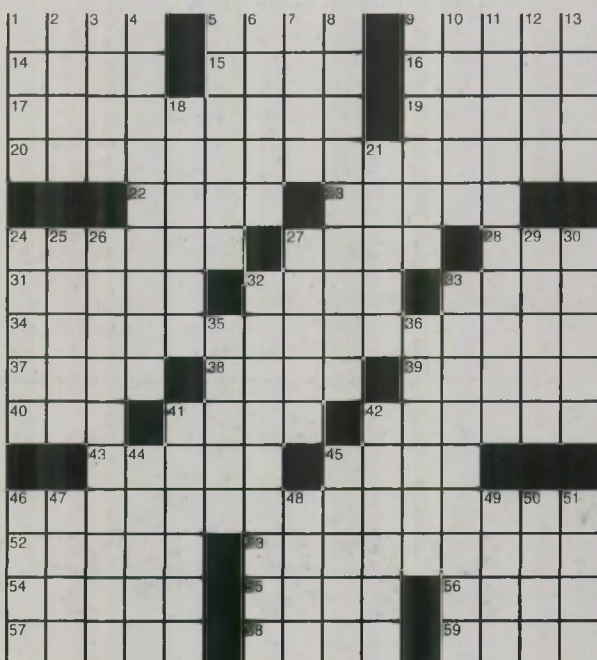
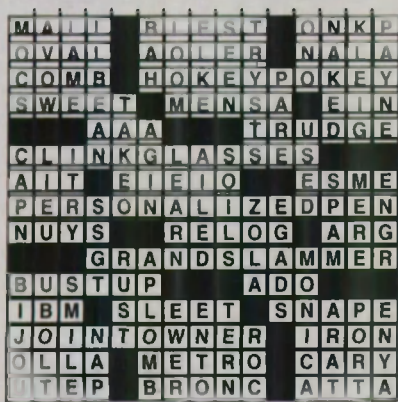
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CROSSWORD

WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS**
- Chicken coop material
 - Idiosyncrasies
 - Where captains go
 - Others, in Latin
 - Suffix with depend
 - Not upright
 - Aardvark feature
 - With 13-Down, "I'll get those guys!"
 - Makes a dazzling entrance
 - Furrow maker
 - Revolutionary leader
 - Pact
 - Saucy
 - Garden party?
 - Calculus calculation
 - French author who co-founded La Nouvelle Revue Française
 - Epitome of grace
 - Screens, filters and such
 - Spheres
 - Major success
 - Échecs piece
 - Kind of cross
 - Expensive box
 - Word with salt or root
 - Kay who sang "Wheel of Fortune," 1952
 - City on the Oka
 - "Indiana Jones" genre
 - With 12-Down, fiery guy?
 - Common football spread
 - Granny and Windsor
 - Dagger part
 - Fax button
 - Horse
 - Part of Y.S.L.
 - Western tourist destination
- DOWN**
- Washington locale, with "the"
 - "The Time Machine" race
 - Belt, perhaps
 - Sinatra standard
 - Got tight
 - "Peace time"
 - Bra spec
 - Squared accounts
 - Scout's find
 - Cheri of "S.N.L."
 - "Waiting for God" philosopher
 - See 52-Across
 - See 19-Across
 - Squirrel, to 35-Down
 - "stand" (Martin Luther declaration)
 - Kind of tie
 - Santa, Calif.
 - It may be spontaneous
 - It comes in fits
 - Acts like a peacock
 - Taoism founder
 - Family matters?
 - Salon supply
 - Reproductive cell
 - Names a price
 - Punish, in a way
 - Mid sixth-century year
 - Iris container
 - Western vacation destination
 - Pulls the plug on

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Puzzle by Byron Walden

- Famous phrase-turner
- Long key
- Place settings, collectively
- Quick appraisal of legitimacy
- Proverbial start of great things
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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Kyle Howard, 27; Rick Schroder, 35; Garry Kasparov, 42; Sandra Santiago, 48

Happy Birthday: There won't be much time for rest this year, but you won't need it with the amount of energy you have stored up. Your competitive drive and your ability to challenge anyone who opposes you will enable you to see matters through to the end. Don't lose sight of what your objective truly is and you will find success. Your numbers are 3, 6, 17, 22, 39, 41

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Do something that you enjoy. Go shopping, take a short trip, or visit someone you haven't seen in some time. This is a great day to find love or to do something with that special person in your life. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't let anyone put words in your mouth, especially if it pertains to work and money. You may have to compromise a little to get what you want. If you decide to be stubborn, you can kiss any chance of advancement goodbye. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): It's two steps forward and three steps back today. Emotional matters will stop you from seeing things clearly. Trying to push an idea that is really ahead of its time will be futile. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Consider keeping things low-key today. If you try to convince others to help, you will be put in your place quickly. This is not the time to take action but rather to formulate what you will do next. ***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Things are turning in your favor today, so don't skip a beat. Get yourself moving early and prepare to make some crucial moves toward your future goals. Set up an appointment with someone you know has the power to help you move forward. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may not feel up to par today. Someone you least expect will cause you some grief. Stick to what you do best and leave the rest for someone else. Strive to be more tolerant and less critical. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It's a new day, so consider taking on a new look. You will be charming, accommodating and everyone will want to do things with you. The more you give, the more you can expect to receive. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take the initiative and do something that will help you feel better about your health and your financial situation. Reorganize your home so you have a suitable space to exercise or work on a creative project. It's up to you to make positive changes. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Romantic encounters are evident if you get involved in a project or community event geared toward reform and helping others. Someone you have known for some time will have an idea for you regarding a personal matter. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't leave your responsibilities in the hands of others today. Get down to business and follow matters through to the end. If you are hands-on today you will make fabulous gains. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will have the energy and know-how to turn any idea you have into a work of art. Start a project that will ensure you will feel better about the way you look. The end result will raise your self-esteem. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Not everyone will be on your side. Be careful who you trust. You will have to manipulate the situation if you don't want to suffer the consequences. **

Birthday Baby: You are versatile, adaptable and want to know about everything. You are quick to make decisions, and you always think in a grandiose manner. You always reach for the top because you view nothing as being too difficult or unattainable.

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FOOTBALL

Under center-piece

Responsibility as top QB motivates Quinn during spring season

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Editor

All Brady Quinn needs for motivation to improve this spring is a pocket football schedule.

"You have to prepare yourself for the Tennessees, U S C s , Michigans, Michigan States ... all those tough teams," the Irish quarterback said about his mindset going into the upcoming season. "You have a battle week in and week out."

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Barring injury, the junior will navigate the Irish for the third consecutive year.

Quinn is the only Notre Dame quarterback on the roster with any considerable experience and the clear starter ahead of David Wolke, Darrin Bragg and Marty Mooney.

Scholarship recruit Evan Sharpley and walk-on Dan Gorski will join the team in the fall, but neither is expected to challenge for anything more than the backup role.

Despite the lack of competition at his position, Quinn is not worried about complacency.

"Your motivation never is necessarily the person behind you, because you're only going to be doing enough to beat them," Quinn said.

"You need to be playing the

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CLAIRE KELLEY/The Observer

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn identifies the defense's coverage against Washington on Sept. 25, 2004.

BASEBALL

Win streak snapped in 10-4 defeat

By TOM DORWART
Sports Writer

Central Michigan did something Wednesday night at Frank Eck Stadium that no other non-conference team has ever been able to do in that stadium in consecutive years — win.

The Chippewas (19-12) defeated the Irish 10-4, snapping Notre Dame's three-game winning streak and starting one their own. The Chippewas also won last year's contest, 4-1.

If that seems strange, the ninth inning itself was even stranger. The Irish had closed the gap to 7-3 by the top of the ninth. With

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Notre Dame stays poised under pressure, outlasts Illinois

By DAN TAPETILLO AND ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writers

For the third consecutive match, No. 26 Notre Dame (12-8) pulled out a 4-3 victory.

It took a third set match from junior Lauren Connelly for the Irish to pull beat No. 54 Illinois (10-8) at the Atkins Tennis Center. Illinois' season has been

punctuated with both success and failure.

Last weekend, the Illini notched a win against Michigan State 5-2 but fell to No. 38 Michigan, 4-3, in a tight match. Like Notre Dame, Illinois is a team that has struggled to convert close matches into victories as they logged their seventh 4-3 decision against Michigan last weekend.

"Illinois has struggled some this year," Irish coach Jay

Louderback said. "But they're especially tough at home."

"I think winning the doubles point against William and Mary last weekend was a huge confidence builder for our kids. I'm looking forward to seeing how the kids play."

Last weekend, the Irish (11-8) upset No. 16 William and Mary 4-3 on Saturday and No. 35 Indiana 4-3 on Sunday, extending their three-match winning streak.

Especially heartening, both victories were decided in the final matches of the meet. The Irish have struggled to remain poised under pressure in the past, as they have won just one of ten 4-3 matches over the last two seasons (0-5 this spring).

"I was really proud of how all of our kids played," Louderback said. "But [junior Kiki Stastny] really came through for us. She really played tough against a girl

at the Indiana match who didn't make any errors and hit big. But Kiki started coming to the net more and really finished her off."

Louderback said he is looking for similar impressive performances all the way down the lineup against Northwestern.

Northwestern looks to be just as — if not more — challenging than Illinois. Thriving on an

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish fall short in 4-3 loss

Team drops match to Ohio State in its last meet before Big East

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA
Sports Writer

For the second time in the last three matches, injuries plagued the Notre Dame tennis squad and forced the team to change its game plan. While its last attempt to recover from an injury-ridden contest ended in a lopsided 5-2 defeat to Southern Methodist, the No. 29

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BETH WERNET/The Observer

Sophomore Barry King returns a volley in a match against Ball State on April 9.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Thomas recalls career with fondness at dinner

By MATT LOZAR
Senior Staff Writer

It took awhile, but Chris Thomas finally closed the book on his Notre Dame career.

At Wednesday night's men's basketball banquet held at the Joyce Center, Thomas was the final senior to reach the podium and said just about everything that was on his mind.

From impersonating the walk of assistant coach Lewis Preston and saying Preston has a "high booty," to revealing Harold Swanagan would

be his girlfriend if anyone asked because of the kisses Swanagan gives him, to mentioning his five credit hours allowed him to go out and could be why his "shooting percentage was down," Thomas leaned on the podium in front of the three framed gold jerseys of the seniors and just kept going.

The senior from Indianapolis did have some serious moments.

He mentioned how he came to Notre Dame to take this program to a new height and

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NCAA BASKETBALL

North Carolina's Rashad McCants is striving to attain greatness of Michael Jordan.

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ND SOFTBALL

Steffany Stenglein expected to start as Irish travel to Chicago to take on University of Illinois-Chicago.

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SMC TENNIS

The Kalamazoo Hornets zoomed past the Belles, 9-0.

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SMC SOFTBALL

The Belles are set to face Hope in a double-header today.

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GYMNASTICS

Gymnast Paul Hamm received the 75th Sullivan award as the nation's top amateur athlete.

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BOOKSTORE

Five of Shawn Kemp's 42 Illegitimate Children beat Chico's Bail Bonds, 21-16, to advance in the Bookstore Basketball tournament.

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