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## Campus debates new Iraq policy

Professors and students consider President Bush's plan from wide range of perspectives



Iraqi doctors watch President George Bush's speech Jan. 10. Bush said he will send 21,500 additional troops to Iraq.

By MARCELA BERRIOS and AMANDA MICHAELS  
News Writers

On Jan. 10, President George W. Bush gave one of the most anticipated and controversial addresses of his presidency, admitting in primetime the mistakes and failures of the American strategy in Iraq while ordering a 20,000-strong troop surge into the war-torn country.

While the President has remained firm in his decision, saying the U.S. needed to "increase support at this crucial moment to help the Iraqis break the current cycle of violence," the announcement sparked nationwide debate, from Capitol Hill to the classrooms at Notre Dame.

Saturday marked the deadliest day for American forces in the last

two years, as 20 troops were killed in Iraq.

Notre Dame political science professor Dan Lindley said with instability in Iraq mounting and the possibility of a civil war eruption only increasing, the U.S. will need at least 20 troops for every 1,000 Iraqis to maintain order in the region — a scenario that isn't anywhere close to the current ratio.

Past estimates said there were approximately six troops per thousand Iraqis, and the President's recent troop increase will not increase that figure substantially.

"The Iraq war is lost unless the military force on the ground is tripled," Lindley said. "As this will not happen, and because the Iraqi forces being trained are as much or more sectarian fighters than

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## Driver in car crash identified

Man arrested for Breathalyzer refusal

By KAITLYNN RIELY  
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The man who struck six cars in a parking lot in the Castle Point Apartment complex early Sunday morning was arrested for DUI refusal, police said Monday.

Carlos Q. Cedillo, 23, of South Bend has not been officially charged, St. Joseph County Police spokesperson Jaimee Thirion said in an e-mail Monday. The preliminary charge, declining a Breathalyzer test — which Cedillo did after driving his car into six unoccupied, legally parked vehicles early Sunday — is a misdemeanor offense.

Cedillo is listed as a student in Holy Cross College's 2006-07 telephone directory. In the 2005-06 telephone directory, Cedillo's address is listed as Basil Residence Hall.

Since Thirion provided information by e-mail and was unable for further comment, The Observer was unable to ask follow-up questions regarding Cedillo's background.

Holy Cross Director of Marketing and Public Relations Sara Kassen declined to comment on whether Cedillo was a student at the College. Holy Cross issued a statement regarding the incident:

"We have not received any report of an accident over the weekend involving any of our students. Holy Cross College

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## ND graduates embrace ACE opportunities

Students use undergraduate skills to teach underprivileged students across the country

By AARON STEINER  
News Writer

When Sarah Greene was accepted to Notre Dame's Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) program during her senior year at Notre Dame, she expected to spend two years on assignment in Mobile, Ala. teaching high school freshmen about famous works of literature and developing their writing skills. After five months in the program, she says she's experienced that, and much more.

Greene moved to Mobile on Aug. 1 to begin teaching freshman English at McGill-Toolen Catholic High School, the only

Catholic high school in Mobile.

"I think that people have a different idea of what teaching is until they get into it," she said.

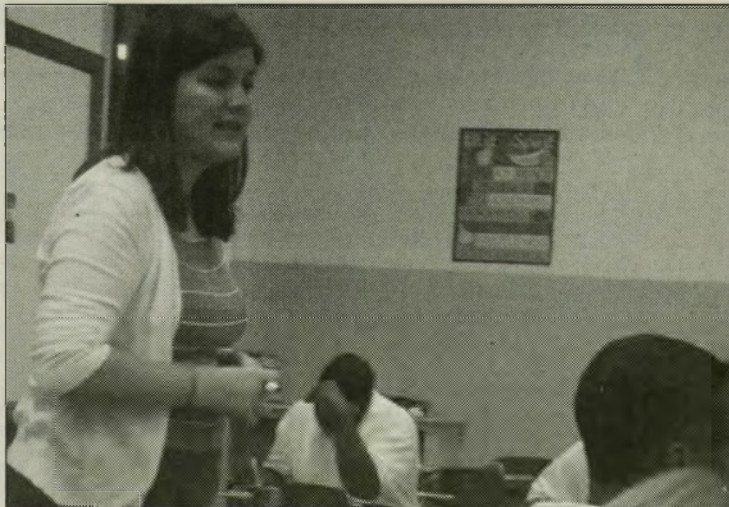
For Greene, an English major, ideas about 'what teaching is' go beyond going over the material in lesson plans, she said.

"Teaching encompasses so much more than I ever imagined. I chose ACE because I felt a call to teach," Greene said. "I love discussing literature with my students and reading their writing."

"However, I realize now that I am called to teach them more than English."

Greene said 'teaching more

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Sarah Green teaches high school freshman English at McGill-Toolen Catholic High School through the ACE program.

Photo courtesy of Chris Kowalski

## Right to Life attends march in Washington

By BECKY HOGAN  
News Writer

Students from Notre Dame/St. Mary's Right to Life Club marched along Constitution Avenue in Washington, D.C. Monday with other pro-life advocates in the 34th March for Life, an annual event that memorializes Roe v. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision on abortion.

Approximately 120 Notre Dame students marched from the United States Capitol building to the steps of the Supreme Court building carrying a Notre Dame banner and a U.S. flag, said Notre Dame Right to Life secretary Victor Saenz.

"The enthusiasm and support of

all the people [at the march] made us feel like we were making a difference," Saenz said.

The group arrived in Washington, D.C. on Saturday in three charter buses. Another charter bus arrived on Sunday.

While at the march, students heard from various senatorial candidates on pro-life issues and were also accompanied by Holy Cross priests and seminarians, who led them in the rosary.

"People could tell Notre Dame cared for the pro-life message," Saenz said.

Many of the traveling group members attended the 2007 Rally for Life and the Youth Mass sponsored by the Archdiocese of

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## MSA students relish trips abroad

By EILEEN DUFFY  
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When Bridget Meacham checked her e-mail last fall and learned there were three spots available for Notre Dame Master of Science in Accountancy (MSA) students to travel to Asia — and they'd simply be granted to the first three people to apply — she didn't hesitate.

Meacham joined a group of 34 graduate business students on a two-week trip to Suzhou and Shanghai, China, an experience she called "absolutely phenomenal."

"Right now, China is the center of innovation. It's revolutionizing manufacturing. It has an impact on so many sectors that are either



Photo courtesy of Matthew Schlosser

Thirty-four graduate students traveled to China last fall. The picture was taken after a presentation on Air Products in Shanghai.

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INSIDE COLUMN

# A house divided

With the recent NFL playoff excitement, I find myself thinking this year's Super Bowl situation is win-win. Since my home team — the Eagles — fell short for another year, it may as well be the Colts and the Bears — the only two other teams in the NFL that I even remotely follow.

**Katie Kohler**

*News Production Editor*

The reason I follow these teams is that my mom is from Indianapolis and my dad is from Chicago.

Every time either team is playing, we, as a family, root for the Colts or Bears, which works out because they do not usually play each other ... until now.

On Super Bowl Sunday, my parents will not trade their loyalties to favor one team as a family. It will be full-out war.

My parents spent at least 20 years in their hometowns before getting married and moving to Philadelphia. Naturally, each of them was brought up cheering for their home team and no one else.

Because of my split football upbringing since I was born in Chicago, but spent most of my life in Philadelphia, this Super Bowl will be nothing more than an excuse to get together with friends and watch funny commercials with a football game on the side.

At home, however, I can only imagine what state my house will be like during those four hours of football. Hopefully, my parents will leave my little sisters to decide for themselves who they want to win, even though they may be indifferent.

My e-mail inbox has already been flooded with hype from aunts and uncles rooting for the Colts with the instant rebuttal from my dad, one of the few in-laws from Chicago.

For example, this is a verbatim e-mail from my dad:

"Accordingly, Maddie and Clare (my younger sisters) may opt to root for the nine-time world champion Chicago Bears because they are the best team, but Emily and Katie (older sister and me) must join their father in rooting for their birth team: Da Bears."

This year, the Super Bowl is a question of hometown pride at my house, and time will only tell if football will be a strong enough force to make my house divided.

Living in South Bend also presents an interesting scenario. There are so many students from the Chicago area as well as Indy. Having an all Midwest Super Bowl is unique and I am sure roommates will be at odds for bragging rights on Feb. 4.

I just hope students, as well as my parents, realize that the Super Bowl is just a game and they are able to reconcile after a few hours of well-deserved gloating.

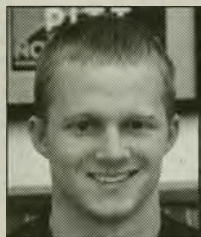
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The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

## CORRECTIONS

In the Jan. 18 edition of The Observer, in the article "ND joins ranks of Columbia with African effort," a statement by Father Bob Dowd was paraphrased to say that Notre Dame's Catholic character "was not a driving force in determining the University's involvement" in the Millennium Village Project. To clarify, Notre Dame's Catholic character was a major reason for Notre Dame's choice to enter the Project, but it does not directly influence the specific activities workers are undertaking in Uganda.

## QUESTION OF THE DAY: PARIS HILTON — HOT OR NOT? WHY?



**Mark Skylling**  
*sophomore Keenan*

"Not. Because she's not as pretty as Emily Voge."



**Ben Schultz**  
*sophomore off-campus*

"Not. Because she has a HUGE nose, and it's just not attractive."



**Tim Rodts**  
*senior Sorin*

"Not. She's a trashball."



**Kyle Lee Andrews**  
*sophomore off-campus*

"Not. She's over-exposed in more way than one."



**Erin Gutbrod**  
*junior off-campus*

"Not — too skinny."



**Meghan McDonough**  
*junior Pasquerilla West*

"Hot. But please don't publish that."



JESSICA LEE/The Observer

**Steve Simeonidis, left, and Claude LeRose, both sophomores in Keough, took a break from homework Monday to watch Jack Bauer attempt to stop nuclear bombing across the United States in the hit television show "24."**

## OFFBEAT

### Tourist loses himself in the Big Apple

NEW YORK — A newcomer to the city became hopelessly lost for five days after going for a walk. Damon Mootoo was staying at his brother's house in South Jamaica, Queens, when he decided to go for the stroll last Wednesday, 12 hours after arriving in New York for the first time, the Daily News reported Monday.

The 32-year-old man quickly got disoriented by the confusing streets of Queens.

On Sunday night, after a

good Samaritan came to his aid, he was recovering at Jamaica Hospital from dehydration and frostbite.

Mootoo, who is hard of hearing but can communicate in English, said he didn't ask for directions because he was afraid he'd be deported and because he had heard many scary stories about New York. He recently had received his permanent resident card.

### Dog terrifies mail carriers

CASPER, Wyo. — So far, he's all bark and no bite. But mail carriers aren't taking any chances.

They've stopped delivering mail to around 24 homes on Navarre Road because of Butch, a shepherd/chow mix.

Casper Postmaster Susan Gray said Butch has chased carriers eight times since 2002, with the latest incident occurring Jan. 8.

"This dog is very aggressive," Gray said. "Five different carriers have said the dog will come down the road to come get them."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

## IN BRIEF

A reading of Homer's *Iliad* will take place today in the Oak Room of South Dining Hall at 6:10 p.m.

RecSports is sponsoring a blood drive today and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Rolfs. Registration is required.

John French, associate professor of history at Duke University and Kellogg Institute Visiting Fellow, is speaking today at the Work in Progress Seminar: "Brazil's President as Working Class Raposa: Understanding Lula as Politician" from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. in Hesburgh Center Room C-103.

Wednesday is the last day to make changes to class schedules for the semester on InsideND.

The Academic Council Meeting is taking place Wednesday in the McKenna Hall auditorium from 3 - 5 p.m. Attendance is by invitation only.

The 18th annual ND Student Film Festival will take place Thursday through Saturday at the Browning Cinema in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. The festival features 13 short films made as class projects during the past year. Tickets are \$6 for general admission, \$5 for faculty/staff and \$3 for students.

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

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## CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

# Students pass Native American resolution

By KATHLEEN McDONNELL  
News Writer

The Campus Life Council (CLC) unanimously passed a resolution to enhance student life for Native Americans during its first meeting of the semester Monday in LaFortune.

The body resolved that the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs "be strongly urged" to work with the Office of the President to appoint a permanent member of the faculty or administration to serve as an official advisor to Native American students.

Members debated the wording of this particular line, as Dr. G. David Moss, assistant vice president for student affairs, said Vice President of Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman was already "very sensitive to these issues" and urged care in making such strong demands.

No amendments were made, however, since student body president Lizzi Shappell agreed to include in her cover letter to Father Poorman an explanation that CLC and the Senate feel strongly about the issue but did not wish to be demanding of its beneficiary.

The resolution also included collaboration with University departments to "render an overall sensitivity and respect for the Native Americans previously inhabiting the University area" in describing the history of Notre Dame.

The Student Senate Multicultural Affairs committee's original resolution passed unanimously at a Nov. 2 Senate meeting, but the CLC decided at a Nov.

14 meeting to create an ad hoc committee to revise it.

Revision committee chair and Welsh Family hall rector Candace Carson said the committee took the basic resolution and worked alongside Kellen Lewis, president of the Native American Student Association of Notre Dame, to clarify areas in which the body wished further inquiry at the Nov. 14 meeting.

#### In other CLC news:

◆Chair Liz Brown said the Student Voice and Input task force is prepared to place the application for the University committees online as soon as the student government Web site is up and running.

◆The resolution for the Domer Dollar swipe card system is ready for presentation to Senate on Wednesday, Student Concerns task force chair Danny Smith said, and pending passage it will return for CLC approval at the next meeting.

◆The ad hoc Student Safety task force will present the information put together for the freshman Contemporary Topics book at the next CLC meeting, chair Katie Cordelli said.

◆Student body vice president and chair of the Conduct Awareness task force Bill Andrichik said his task force is finalizing its report about freshmen "disorientations" following general student conception, hall staff and rector research. Gambling in the dorms is the next topic which the task force looks to address.

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## BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

# Marketing ideas pitched

By LIZ HARTER  
News Writer

Saint Mary's Vice President of College Relations Sharon Rodriguez visited the Board of Governance (BOG) to discuss the progress of the Saint Mary's identity initiative at their meeting on Monday night.

The identity initiative is an ongoing process that strives to better understand what image Saint Mary's needs to present in the college marketplace to gain the attention of prospective students and parents.

The initiative began researching last spring by sending surveys to current students, faculty, staff and alumnae to gather information on what these groups found most important to convey to prospective students.

"As students, as faculty and staff and as alumnae, we are saying things that we find important that are different than what prospective students and parents [think are important when choosing a college]," Rodriguez said.

"Prospective students want to hear about the faculty ... and the majors [at the college's they are looking at]."

Three brand creatives — the visual and verbal ways a brand is presented to the public — were presented to

the board. Rodriguez asked for input on how each of the creatives display the information that prospective students want.

The first brand creative presented was the breakthrough creative.

"By using the theme breakthrough we're trying to show how the Saint Mary's experience allows students to achieve critical thought, intellectual thought, social justice and spiritual breakthroughs," Rodriguez said.

The second brand creative presented the Saint Mary's experience as a conversation. "Collaboration is key [in this creative]," Rodriguez said. "Everything we show here would be two or more people."

Finally, Rodriguez presented a "She's Saint Mary's" themed brand creative.

"What we want to show here is the individual," she said. "[We want to show] the well-rounded individual and bring out the character of the individual Saint Mary's woman."

Some headlines that could be included in the "She's Saint Mary's" theme would be "She's committed to social justice, she's Saint Mary's" and "She's well-rounded, she's Saint Mary's."

After the presentation, Rodriguez asked BOG members for feedback. Many members felt that prospective students would better

receive the conversation and the "She's Saint Mary's" brands.

"I like [the She's Saint Mary's theme] because in my experience ... parents and students want to know what is going to happen to them as an individual [when they go to college]," admissions commissioner Annie Davis said.

Some members felt the "She's Saint Mary's" theme would not resonate well with prospective parents even if it would be the best received by students.

"I think that the breakthrough [theme] would be more appealing to parents. It is a kind of a more holistic view of where their daughter could go [in college and after graduation]," Student Diversity Board president Angeline Johnson said.

After receiving the board's feedback, Rodriguez invited the members to email her if they had any other ideas on the brand creatives.

#### In other BOG news:

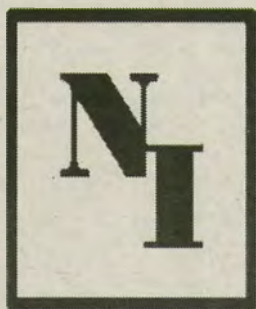
◆All school formal tickets can be purchased through Thursday in the lobby of LeMans Hall from 7-10 p.m. There are only 800 tickets available and 408 have already been sold, residence hall association president Amy Dardinger said.

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# Life

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Washington, D.C. At the rally, attendees received the sacrament of confession, participated in mass and enjoyed entertainment by Catholic recording artists.

During the weekend before the march, Notre Dame students took advantage of their time in D.C. to visit monuments and museums.

Touring sites throughout the D.C. area gave students the opportunity to interact with both the secular and religious aspects of the abortion issue, Saenz said.

The group also visited the John Paul II Cultural Center located near the Catholic University of America.

Cardinal Francis Eugene George, Archbishop of Chicago, delivered a talk to the students in Washington, D.C. on Sunday before the march.

"I thought his insight was amaz-

ing on practical life issues," Saenz said. "His talk really helped us to realize why we were marching."

Sunday night, Notre Dame Right to Life also celebrated mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. "The church was a beautiful place of worship, and we got to participate in a huge mass," Saenz said.

Senior Monica Querciagrossa, a member of the Notre Dame Right to Life, organized the trip to Washington, D.C.

Students who arrived Saturday paid a \$75 fee to cover the cost of transportation for the trip and those that got in Sunday paid \$50. Saenz said the club also received funding for the trip from donors who support the pro-life message.

Saenz said that the trip to D.C. helped the club members "begin to realize the reality of the importance of human life."

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*"People could tell Notre Dame cared for the pro-life message."*

**Victor Saenz  
secretary  
ND Right to Life**

# Crash

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always follows up on any knowledge of or any concerns regarding the student safety or violation of a student code. Any violation of state, local or federal law constitutes a violation of our student code and Holy Cross does exercise off campus jurisdiction."

Tory Mitchell, who took over this year as director of Basil Residence Hall at Holy Cross, said Cedillo was never a resident under his direction. He said, however, he had heard the name before.

"I believe he was a student here, or is," Mitchell said.

The Observer was unable to confirm whether Cedillo currently lives in Castle Point. His local address is not listed in the Holy Cross directory, and Judy Logan, manager of Castle Point Apartments, declined to comment on the incident.

On Sunday morning, Cedillo "was driving his Lincoln Navigator west in the Castle Point Apartment Complex near

1309 Coachmans Trail when he drove off to the north part of the lot and struck six vehicles," Thirion said.

At least three of the cars belonged to Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students.

Rachel Davis, 26, a Castle Point resident who witnessed the incident, said Sunday she woke up between 4:20 a.m. and 4:30 to the sound of Cedillo's car crashing into her car and five other cars in the lot.

Davis called the police and said they arrived within two minutes. She said three St. Joseph County Police cars and one Roseland police car were at the scene.

The police at the scene told her the man in the car was intoxicated, Davis said. They also told her he lived in the Enchanted Forest section of Castle Point, she said, but she did not recognize him.

Thirion said Cedillo was released from the St. Joseph County Jail on a \$500 cash bond and is due to appear in court on Feb. 12.

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# Iraq

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they are supporters of the central government, the war is likely already lost."

Lindley dismissed Bush's plan, saying that a 21,500-troop surge cannot prevent a Shi'ite-Sunni war or stabilize Iraq.

The prolongation of U.S. efforts there — far from finalizing the conflict — will only temporarily delay an inevitable civil war at the cost of more American lives, he said.

"How fast we leave and what we do with our remaining influence are the relevant issues," Lindley said. "Winning is not an option."

However, politicians and professors agree the future of Iraq must be considered as well.

In the Jan. 10 speech, the President said "to step back now would force a collapse of the Iraqi government, tear that country apart and result in mass killings on an imaginable scale."

The Iraq Study Group agreed. The congressional bipartisan panel, charged with the evaluation of the Iraq crisis, released its conclusions in December.

Though it agreed that "a premature American departure from Iraq would almost certainly produce greater sectarian violence and further deterioration of conditions" in the region, it also said medium-sized manpower increments to the Coalition forces — such as the 20,000-troop increase — would not be enough to alleviate the fundamental causes of the Sunni-Shi'ite conflict.

To make the decision to stay or withdraw even more difficult, theology professor Michael Baxter threw the Christian viewpoint into the equation.

Baxter argued in favor of withdrawal from Iraq, considering the war theologically unjust due to inconsistent purposes and erroneous information.

"At first it was about destroying weapons of mass destruction, but then it became about hunting down al-Qaeda and finally it was about freeing the Iraqis," Baxter said. "Under these circumstances, any Christian who is involved in the war should refuse to participate any further — and plenty of them are already doing that."

Christians have not been the only ones to question the American presence in the Middle East.

Last year, The Washington Post reported that approximately 80 percent of the Iraqi population favored an immediate pullout of American forces — but experts predict the President will remain optimistic about his new strategy in tonight's State of the Union address.

The White House said the President will focus his speech on energy conservation and domestic policy, but his continued support for the troop increase will likely cause the most heated debate.

Supporters of the President's new Iraq proposals, including potential presidential candidate Senator John McCain, will also have to withstand criticism as the former's approval ratings have sunk to a dismal 33 percent, said the ABC News/Washington Post poll.

Political science professor Peri Arnold said McCain's future in American politics depends largely on the outcome, down the road, of Bush's decision — which will have two years to unfold before the next presidential elections.

"If this turns out badly, McCain will be harmed by his identification with a losing cause and bad decision," Arnold said.

While Arnold called McCain's endorsement of the new Bush strategy is "politically very risky," he noted that the senator is merely remaining consistent with his earlier positions concerning troop increases for Iraq.

Bush's strategy announcement has generated debate among students, who see the impact they

have on this generation's future — especially for those who know someone fighting the war, or may help fight it themselves.

Senior history major Phil Mauro, who is also a member of the Army ROTC, said he was "happy" to hear of the troop increase, "but even happier to hear about the new effort being put in to reconstruction, as well as the removal of the political barriers which seem often to hinder the effectiveness of coalition forces."

Mauro, who will be going into the Active Duty Army directly following graduation, may see combat in Iraq one day — and he willingly embraces this call to service.

"I am looking forward to the opportunity to help the people of Iraq rebuild their country, as well as the challenge of combat leadership in the contemporary operating environment," he said.

Mauro noted that the troop surge does not necessarily increase the chances of recent graduates going to Iraq, and will more likely mean the quicker deployment of units already set to depart and extensions of the tours of duty for those already there.

Speaking as a private citizen and not a representative of the military, Mauro said many of his friends have reacted positively to Bush's announcement of a troop surge, and he knows several recent Army ROTC graduates and ROTC instructors who have been deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"I think I have benefited greatly from being able to learn from their experiences [in Iraq]," he said. "And in my opinion, the quality of the ROTC instruction has improved as we have gained more cadre [instructors] who have more recent wartime experience."

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Iran denies 38 inspectors entrance

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran has barred 38 nuclear inspectors on a United Nations list from entering the country, the foreign minister said Monday in what appeared to be retaliation for the U.N. sanctions imposed last month.

The rejected officials are on a list of potential inspectors drawn up by the International Atomic Energy Agency to visit and monitor Iran's nuclear facilities.

"The act of rejecting some inspectors is legal and in accordance with the agency's regulations," Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki told the official Islamic Republic News Agency. He said others on the U.N. nuclear watchdog's list remain eligible, but did not explain how Iran decided which inspectors to bar.

The IAEA "submits a long list of inspectors to member countries and the countries have the right to oppose the visit by some inspectors," Mottaki said.

Last month, the U.N. Security Council imposed limited trade sanctions on Iran over its refusal to cease uranium enrichment, a process that can produce the material for nuclear energy or bombs.

### Alps to be glacier-less by 2050

VIENNA, Austria — Glaciers will all but disappear from the Alps by 2050, scientists warned Monday, basing their bleak outlook on mounting evidence of slow but steady melting of the continental ice sheets.

In western Austria's Alpine province of Tyrol, glaciers have been shrinking by about 3 percent a year, said Roland Psenner of the University of Innsbruck's Institute for Ecology. And 2050 is a conservative estimate, he said: If they keep melting at that rate, most glaciers could vanish by 2037.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Republicans speak against Iraq surge

WASHINGTON — Congressional Republicans pushed back Monday against President Bush's decision to increase troop strength in Iraq, some voicing opposition while others urged holding the administration and Iraqi government more accountable for the war effort.

"We've had four other surges since we first went into Iraq," said Sen. Susan Collins, referring to the administration's plan for an additional 21,500 troops. "None of them produced a long-lasting change in the situation on the ground."

"So I am very skeptical that this surge would produce the desired outcome," said the Maine Republican.

### U.S. diplomat receives year in prison sentence

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — A former top State Department official was sentenced to a year in prison Monday for mishandling classified documents and concealing his relationship with a female intelligence officer from Taiwan.

Donald W. Keyser, 63, of Fairfax, had been the second-ranking official in the State Department's Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs before retiring in 2004.

Prosecutors at one point considered bringing espionage-related charges against Keyser but eventually settled on a plea bargain involving lesser counts — making false official statements and unlawful removal of classified documents from the State Department.

## LOCAL NEWS

### School-board member bribes voters

GARY, Ind. — A school board member faces criticism for using \$422 in school money to buy meals for teenage voters on the day they cast absentee ballots in primary races that included the district in which he was seeking re-election.

Two state officials question whether Michael Scott may have used the taxpayer funds to influence political votes by buying the meals at a Ponderosa restaurant.

Scott has characterized the lunches as part of a Lew Wallace High School field trip in which the teens were taken to the Lake County Government Center to cast ballots for the May primary.

# U.S. plans military defense base

Missile system in Eastern Europe aims to protect U.S. and allies from attacks

Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland — The United States has entered a decisive phase in a plan to set up missile defense sites in Eastern Europe — a system Washington says is aimed at protecting itself and its allies against potential attacks from the Middle East.

But the prospect of sophisticated U.S. radar and interceptor systems in formerly communist Eastern Europe has led Russian military leaders to warn of a new arms race. The system "would create a clear threat for Russia," Col. Gen. Vladimir Popovkin, the chief of Russia's Space Forces, warned Monday.

The United States told Polish leaders it wants to open formal negotiations on the possibility of locating ground-based interceptor missiles in their country as part of a larger missile defense system, a U.S. Embassy spokesman in Warsaw said Monday.

Poland's Defense Minister Radek Sikorski indicated a willingness to talk with "our most important ally" on the issue, but said nothing had been decided.

The request comes after two years of exploratory talks and after the neighboring Czech Republic's prime minister said Saturday that Washington had asked to base a radar station in his country as another part of the system.

Washington has repeatedly sought to reassure Russia it has nothing to fear from the system — a message Andrew Schilling, a spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw, echoed Monday. He told The Associated Press a U.S. missile defense system in Europe would be solely aimed at countering "the evolving Middle Eastern ballistic missile threat."

Some experts still point to Iran as the motivator behind the U.S. push to develop the system, meant



Protesters in the Czech Republic on Vencelas Square in Prague rally against the proposed establishment of U.S. missile defense sites in Eastern Europe, requested Friday.

to act as a protective umbrella over most of continental Europe with sensitive radars able to detect ballistic missiles and interceptors that could shoot them down.

"This is completely driven by the threat from Iran," said Riki Ellison, president of the Missile Defense Advocacy Alliance, a non-governmental group that promotes missile defense in the belief it increases world security.

"As Iranians continue to grow both their nuclear capabilities and their ballistic missile capabilities, this site in central Europe is needed," Ellison argued. "Not only for Europe and the troops that the United States has stationed in Europe ... but also for secondary protection of the United States."

Schilling said the request to Polish officials was first made Friday and a "formal diplomatic note" would follow. The U.S. hopes talks on the plan will begin "in the course of the next several months," he added.

Agreement is not guaranteed. Both the Czech

and Polish parliaments would have to first approve the plan. Although their governments expressed their support, they are weak and face broad public opposition to the plan. Many fear it will raise the risk of attacks on their countries.

"The current governments are in favor because both of them are right-of-center and Euro-skeptic and they think that as far as security is concerned, they have to maintain very close ties with the United States," said Jiri Pehe, a Czech political analyst and director of New York University in Prague.

By supporting U.S. missile defense, the two European Union members are showing they do not trust the EU to guarantee their security — and are perhaps even trying to prevent the formation of a unified EU defense policy, Pehe said.

In past months, Russian military leaders have occasionally threatened that an expansion of the U.S. system so close to its borders could provoke a new arms race.

But Pehe, the Czech analyst, said Russian threats should be taken with a grain of salt.

"Russians in the past have threatened to do all kinds of things — for example when NATO was enlarged," Pehe said. "I think they are aware that this particular system, if it's ever built, isn't aimed against them. I would see this more as pressure — and a bit of bluffing." Shelters were open throughout the region. By late afternoon more than 540 people had taken refuge at Miami-Dade County shelters, but there were only 10 at a shelter near Fort Lauderdale and only 30 at four shelters in Monroe County.

"I'm not surprised, because it's only a tropical storm. Most people are not going to leave their homes for a tropical storm," said Greg Artman, spokesman for Monroe County's emergency management office.

Damage from 2005 and 2004 hurricanes continues to plague many residents, with thousands still awaiting roof repairs.

# New passport rules start Tuesday

Associated Press

ATLANTA — When Antonio Hernandez Jr. planned a trip to Mexico with his parents, he was sure to get the passports two weeks ahead of time.

Hernandez wanted to be certain the three were ready to comply with new travel rules that take effect Tuesday requiring Americans flying to neighboring countries to show a passport to get back into the United States.

"This is a way to protect ourselves and give many who travel another form of ID," Hernandez said Monday at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. Travelers had

to pack passports for trips to Mexico, Canada and the Caribbean.

Only about a quarter of U.S. citizens hold valid passports, and most are accustomed to traveling to neighboring countries with just a driver's license or birth certificate, which have long been sufficient to get through airport customs on the trip home.

The new regulations requiring passports were adopted by Congress in 2004 to secure the borders against terrorists.

Travelers in Atlanta and other airports said they had no complaints about the requirement.

"I'd rather be going through a security check, than possibly being

blown out of the air because of lack of security measures," John Golden of Columbus, Ga., who was headed to Cancun, Mexico.

Starting Tuesday, Canadian, Mexican and Bermudan air travelers, as well as U.S. citizens flying home from those countries or the Caribbean, must display their passports to enter the United States.

The only valid substitutes for a passport will be a NEXUS Air card, used by some American and Canadian frequent fliers; identification as a U.S. Coast Guard merchant mariner; and the green card carried by legal permanent residents. Active members of the U.S. military are exempt.



# Abroad

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rising or declining," she said. "To understand what's going on in the business world right now, it's crucial to understand what's going on in China."

Meacham is one of the many graduate students in the Mendoza College of Business who choose to study abroad in one of three locations each year: Brussels and Paris, Suzhou and Shanghai, and Santiago, Chile.

For Notre Dame's graduate students of business, each semester is divided into two seven-week modules (as they're termed), with a two-week break in-between. While the Brussels/Paris and China trips take place during the break, the Chile program lasts for an entire seven-week module.

Dating to 2001, Chile is the oldest international study opportunity in the Graduate School of Business, and is offered only in module two of the fall. The Brussels/Paris and China programs are in their second years. And while students may travel to China in either semester, the Brussels/Paris trip only occurs in the spring.

Graduate study abroad is clearly not as extensive — both in duration and in variety of locales — as undergraduate, but any kind of international study is viewed as an invaluable resource for young professionals in what is becoming an increasingly global economy.

Mendoza Assistant Dean Samuel Gaglio, who directs International Programs for graduate business students, thinks that when it comes to landing a job, a candidate who has studied

abroad is "more complete, more marketable."

"You can't get enough experience in the international market," he said. "When making decisions in the business world, the more knowledge about how other companies and other economies operate, the more valuable you'll be."

Notre Dame's business graduate students are taking advantage of the abroad opportunities — over 70 percent of a graduating class participates in one of the international programs offered.

So while other schools like Yale University have recently moved to require their MBA students to study abroad, Gaglio doesn't think that's necessary at Notre Dame.

"I would prefer to send students who are interested," he said, "rather than students who are required."

While Meacham acknowledges the positive impact her China experience has had on her, she also fears mandatory study abroad could damage Mendoza's appeal.

"Just the sheer economic burden it could put on some people ... I think that would be a limiting factor for some people and make them choose a different MBA program," she said. "A lot of MBA students walk away from jobs, have families. It's a sacrifice for some of them to go on this trip."

But for students who are interested and qualified, there's no need to worry — Gaglio admitted that currently, the programs admit all applicants in good standing.

China is the most popular program, with 74 students scheduled to travel to the Far East this spring. Gaglio thinks one of the finest parts of the program is the opportunity for participants to see the "new China."

"We have this perspective of what communist China is about," he said. "New China is exciting. It's like ... the Wild West of economy. [The Chinese are] exploring; they're entrepreneurs; they're

having a great time. It's not the China we all think we know."

For Meacham, spending time conversing with Chinese peers was the highlight of the trip (she still keeps in touch with some she met). They wanted to put their country's best face forward to the Americans, but unfortunately, Meacham noted, behind that front hid a few problems.

"They were bragging about Suzhou. They were showing us all this great new construction, like apartments, and talking about how expensive they were," she said. "But when we went on the canal tour there, we saw abject poverty, by our standards — that was the normal standard of living. We felt awkward looking at these people."

She was also distressed about the lack of concern for the environment she saw, and with rapid expansion of industrialization and skyrocketing motor vehicle sales, she's worried it's going to get worse.

In any case, Meacham's study abroad experience taught her that perhaps her homeland isn't the center of the world — which is especially crucial for her, since the company she'll be starting at in August, FTI Consulting, just bought a branch in China.

"I would say the most important thing was kind of opening my eyes to see that ten, sixteen years down the road, the United States may not be the leader in world economics," she said. "... For the Chinese, a lot of their interactions are about appearance. If you don't know the correct way to greet or address someone, you're not going to be able to survive in the everyday business environment."

Gaglio said he and his colleagues are looking into more locations for graduate business students to study abroad, and India will likely be the next program established.

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# ACE

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than English' requires being a positive role model and a witness to the Christian faith. It also includes helping students who, according to Greene, "are yearning for support and guidance."

"It's the times in which a student says something like, 'My grandpa just passed away; can you pray for him?' or a student stops me in the hall to ask my advice on a problem," Greene said. "Those moments are very rewarding."

Greene is one of the 174 current ACE teachers — college graduates who spend two years in the University's service program teaching in under-resourced Catholic schools across the country. Notre Dame and Saint Mary's alumni account for 94 of the program's current participants.

ACE participants spend two summers during the program taking what ACE Assistant Director Chris Kowalski called a graduate program in education. At the completion of the two-year assignment, participants earn their Master of Education degree from Notre Dame.

Ten days after her college graduation, Greene began preparation on campus for her first year of teaching.

Greene said the support from ACE staff and faculty allowed her to transform from someone with little classroom experience into a full-time teacher.

"The rigor of the summer prepares us for the rigor of teaching," she said.

"The challenges come from people who understand the difficulty of teaching. They know that ACE is a challenging experience and that your first year teaching is a challenge," Greene said. "They welcome it as a challenge ... and I, too, was ready to grow in a challenging way."

For Greene, the choice to pursue post-undergraduate service was one she made early on in her education.

"I knew I wanted to go into either ministry or education," Greene said.

Experiences at Notre Dame, including time as a resident assistant in Lyons Hall, helped develop her passion for both faith and education.

Greene applied to the ACE program hoping to teach and fulfill a desire to live and work in a faith-based community. The 'three pillars' of ACE — teaching, community and spirituality — greatly appealed to Greene and her ideals.

"The way that ACE balances those three [pillars] — that's something that I really wanted to have in my service experience."

In addition to teaching, Greene leads a women's prayer group at the school, which meets once a week to pray and discuss different issues.

Whether the group discusses the way the media portrays women or a student asks Greene how she has dealt with specific moral problems of her own, Greene said these young women dig into deep issues and are in need of guidance.

While ACE strives to aid under-resourced Catholic schools, Greene stated that under-resourced does not necessarily mean under-funded. The primary need of these schools is not always financial, but is often a shortage of positive role models for students growing in the Catholic faith.

Kowalski also said that ACE teachers serve a variety of needs in the schools where they work.

"I would say most schools do benefit financially from having ACE teachers," Greene said. "However, there are some schools, if not all, that also benefit more from positive role models in the Christian faith to serve their students."

"Many ACE teachers go above and beyond their call to serve, and are willing to help out in whatever way they feel they can make a difference."

For Greene, making a difference in her students' lives has resulted in changes in her own life. The challenges of teaching have led to her own growth, she said.

A self-described "perfectionist" as a former student, Greene said her work in Mobile has been less than perfect. The difficulties she faces day-to-day cause her to look introspectively and evaluate each day.

"At the end of every day, I look back at what went well and what didn't really go well," she said.

"I look for ways to improve and help my students to better succeed."

Her own self-evaluation has cemented what she has learned about herself in the past five months.

"My time as an ACE teacher has already taught me valuable life lessons about balance, respect, commitment and responsibility," she said.

Greene said she will likely remain active in the field of Catholic education.

"I imagine that I'll always be involved in Catholic education," she said. Whether that is in teaching, administration or elsewhere, ACE has affirmed her passion for the Catholic community.

"There's no better organization for this — they're really on fire about Catholic education," she said.

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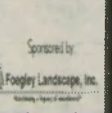


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<b>Up:</b>	<b>Same:</b>	<b>Down:</b>	<b>Composite Volume:</b>
2,273	130	1,002	2,780,647,230

<b>AMEX</b>	2,060.44	-7.51
<b>NASDAQ</b>	2,431.07	-20.24
<b>NYSE</b>	9,130.92	-48.61
<b>S&amp;P 500</b>	1,422.95	-7.55
<b>NIKKEI(Tokyo)</b>	17,361.37	-62.81
<b>FTSE 100(London)</b>	6,218.40	-18.80

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ 100 TR (QQQQ)	-1.09	-0.48	43.69
SUN MICROSYS (SUNW)	-0.35	-0.02	5.75
INTEL CP (INTC)	-0.14	-0.03	20.79
CISCO SYS INC (CSCO)	-0.64	-0.17	26.53

Treasuries			
10-YEAR NOTE	-0.29	-0.014	4.759
13-WEEK BILL	-0.20	-0.010	4.9990
30-YEAR BOND	-0.27	-0.013	4.847
5-YEAR NOTE	-0.23	-0.011	4.766

Commodities		
LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	-0.86	51.13
GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)	-2.30	634.10
PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.)	-0.33	95.88

Exchange Rates	
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EURO	0.7727
POUND	0.5056

**IN BRIEF**

**Gap CEO resigns after a poor quarter**

SAN FRANCISCO — Gap Inc. Chief Executive Officer Paul Pressler resigned Monday following a miserable holiday shopping season that hurt the retail chain's fourth quarter profit.

The announcement after the markets closed came amid speculation that the struggling retailer was close to a takeover after hiring investment firm Goldman Sachs to consider offers or other dramatic changes.

Under the terms of his contract, Pressler will receive a severance package totaling about \$14 million in salary, bonuses and stock options, according to company officials.

Robert J. Fisher, chairman of Gap's board of directors, will serve as interim CEO and company president as the board searches for a permanent replacement.

**Tech concerns affect investments**

NEW YORK — Wall Street stumbled lower Monday as growing concerns over technology companies led jittery investors to pull money out of the market ahead of this week's earnings reports.

The market has been vulnerable to erratic trading lately, with investors cautious about the direction of the economy and companies' results. The tech sector so far has been knocked down the most, after Apple Inc.'s and Intel Corp.'s outlooks last week fell below the Street's expectations.

With industry leaders like Qualcomm Inc. and Microsoft Corp. releasing their financial results later this week, many investors are bracing for disappointing reports.

"The market is nervous," said Joe Ranieri, managing director in equity trading at Canaccord Adams. "We've had a few good quarters in a row in tech land. The problem with having good quarters is, it gets harder and harder to impress."

Blue chip stocks were also dragged down by a Wachovia analyst's downgrade of Boeing Co.; the analyst cited possible aircraft order delays from the jet maker.

Overall, earnings reports and economic data this year have signaled growth that's cooling, but not so quickly that it is squeezing corporate profits. This would normally be good news for the stock market, but investors have been retreating — wisely, many market watchers say — on signs they may have gotten ahead of themselves late last year, when the Dow began racing into record territory.

**Pfizer Inc. to cut 10,000 jobs**

World's largest drug company suffers under pressure from competing markets

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Pfizer Inc., struggling with fierce competition from makers of generic drugs, announced Monday it will cut 10,000 jobs and close at least five facilities as part of an effort to slash its annual costs by up to \$2 billion by next year.

The drastic measures by the world's largest drug maker highlight the challenges faced by many pharmaceutical companies recently. In addition to patent expirations, big drug companies are facing a business climate where insurers and other large purchasers of medicines are demanding lower prices and more evidence of products' worth.

Although big rounds of job cuts typically boost a company's stock price, shares of Pfizer fell 27 cents, or 1 percent, to close Monday at \$26.95 on the New York Stock Exchange.

It's the second time in two years the maker of Viagra and Lipitor has announced a major cost-reduction plan to combat the loss of about \$14 billion in revenues this year due to expiring patents. The company is at risk of losing 41 percent of its sales to generic competition between 2010 and 2012, including the revenue from its top seller Lipitor, according to Prudential analyst Tim Anderson.

The latest cuts come on top of a previously announced plan to slash costs by \$4 billion a year by 2008. On Monday, Pfizer said it would cut an additional \$500 million to \$1 billion in costs. However, it said some of the savings would be redeployed into the company so the total savings would be between \$1.5 billion and \$2 billion.

The 10,000 layoffs amount to about 10 percent of the company's global work force and include the elimination of 2,200 jobs from the U.S. sales force, which Pfizer



Pfizer, the maker of Viagra and Lipitor, is attempting to combat a loss of \$14 billion due to expiring patents. The drug company intends to restructure and make job cuts this year.

announced late last year. The company said Monday it would cut 20 percent of its European sales force but didn't say how many jobs that will be.

Pfizer will close three research sites in Michigan and two manufacturing plants in New York and Nebraska. It may also sell another manufacturing site in Germany and close research sites in Japan and France.

Aside from outlining cuts, Pfizer also detailed how it would restructure its business in an effort to become more nimble and flexible. The U.S. commercial business will be divided into five distinct units, each with a general manager responsible for that group's

performance. Two research areas are being abandoned while other research and development efforts are being consolidated.

Pfizer also pledged to interact more with potential customers such as insurers to make sure it is developing medicines they deem worthy of purchasing.

"I believe we must transform the way we've done business in the past in order to be more successful in the future," said Jeffrey Kindler, who became Pfizer's CEO last summer and chairman last month. "Incremental evolution is not enough. Fundamental change is imperative — and it must

happen now."

Pfizer reiterated that its revenue would be flat this year and next, but it expects earnings to jump between 6 percent and 9 percent in both 2007 and 2008.

Analysts are skeptical about whether Pfizer's current and pipeline drugs can generate enough sales to compensate for revenue it stands to lose. Pfizer said it intends to buy or collaborate with other companies to bolster its product portfolio as it attempts to improve its own research. Pfizer reiterated it will introduce six new products a year beginning in 2011, four from its own research and two from collaborations.

**Prosecution focuses on Coke worker**

Associated Press

ATLANTA — A former Coca-Cola secretary spearheaded a conspiracy to steal trade secrets from the beverage giant in a case about "greed and poor choices," a prosecutor said Monday during opening statements in the woman's trial.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Randy Chartash told jurors that Joya Williams was the one who first approached two co-defendants in the case in late 2005 about selling Coca-Cola documents and samples of products that hadn't been launched to rival Pepsi.

"She says the documents are worth something to a competitor," Chartash said, referring

to a meeting between Williams and a co-defendant.

Williams faces up to 10 years in prison if convicted of the single federal conspiracy charge against her. She has pleaded not guilty. Williams remains free on bond pending the outcome of the trial. Two co-defendants have pleaded guilty to conspiracy, and at least one is expected to testify against her.

Williams, Edmund Duhaney and Ibrahim Dimson were indicted in July, accused of stealing new product samples and confidential documents from The Coca-Cola Co. and trying to sell them to Purchase, N.Y.-based PepsiCo Inc.

The alleged plans were foiled after Pepsi warned Atlanta-based Coca-

Cola and an undercover FBI investigation was launched.

Williams was fired from her job as an administrative assistant to Coca-Cola's global brand director after the allegations came to light.

Among the key evidence against Williams, according to Chartash: a \$4,000 deposit Williams made into her bank account, voicemail messages between Williams and the co-defendants and surveillance video of Williams at her desk at Coca-Cola headquarters.

Chartash showed jurors during his opening statement some of that surveillance video, on which Williams is seen stuffing documents in a bag and taking a bottle with a liquid in it.



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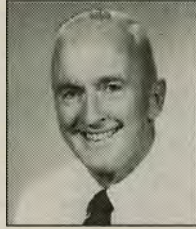
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## Abortion and the March for Life

The seats, about 250, on the buses were sold out almost immediately. The riders subjected themselves to a 10-hour trip each way. In between, they had to sleep on a gym floor, spend long hours out in the cold and do what they could for food, etc. Where were they going? A concert? The Motor City Bowl? Not quite. They are Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students going to the March for Life in Washington. It marked the 34th anniversary of Roe v. Wade on Jan. 22.



Charles Rice

Right or Wrong?

A reasonable observer might ask, "Why bother?" Maybe students just don't have enough to do. The reality, however, is that those students are doing something real and important.

For most readers of these words, Roe v. Wade is ancient history. Since that ruling in 1973, more than 42 million unborn children have been legally executed by surgical abortion through 2002. That is the last year for which the Alan Guttmacher Institute, the source of the most complete statistics, has reported. Since the early 1990s the totals have leveled out and declined somewhat. In 2002, the total was about 1.29 million. Those figures do not include the uncountable but increasing number of early abortions by chemicals, intrauterine devices and other means. The legalized execution of unborn children is a fixed reality in our law and culture. Victims from the first decade of Roe would have already attended, had they lived, their tenth college reunions.

You have rights under the Constitution

because you are a person. In any civilized society where personhood is the condition for possessing rights, every innocent human being should be entitled to be treated as a person. The theory of Roe is simple. The Court declined to decide whether the unborn child is a living human being. The Court held instead that, whether or not he is such, he is not a person. The ruling is the same in effect as a ruling that an acknowledged human being is a nonperson and therefore has no rights. That depersonalization principle of Roe is the principle that underlay both the Nazi extermination of the Jews and the depersonalization of slaves in the Dred Scott case of 1857.

If the students in the March seek to accomplish a restoration of legal rights to the unborn child they are embarked on an exercise in futility. The most the Court will do is to let the states decide whether to allow or prohibit abortion. That would confirm the nonpersonhood of the unborn child, because if an innocent human being is subject to being executed whenever a legislature authorizes it, he is a nonperson.

The Court will soon rule on the federal prohibition of partial-birth abortion. That case, however, is a sideshow. The issue there is not whether innocent human beings may be legally executed and not even which ones may be so killed, but rather how the killing is to be done. In any event, the restoration of legal rights to that child will not happen because early-abortion technology is irrevocably moving abortion beyond the effective reach of the law.

For these reasons, abortion is now essentially not a legal problem but one that is cultural and — dare we say it? — religious. Here is where the March for Life becomes a big deal and the students

are doing something real and important.

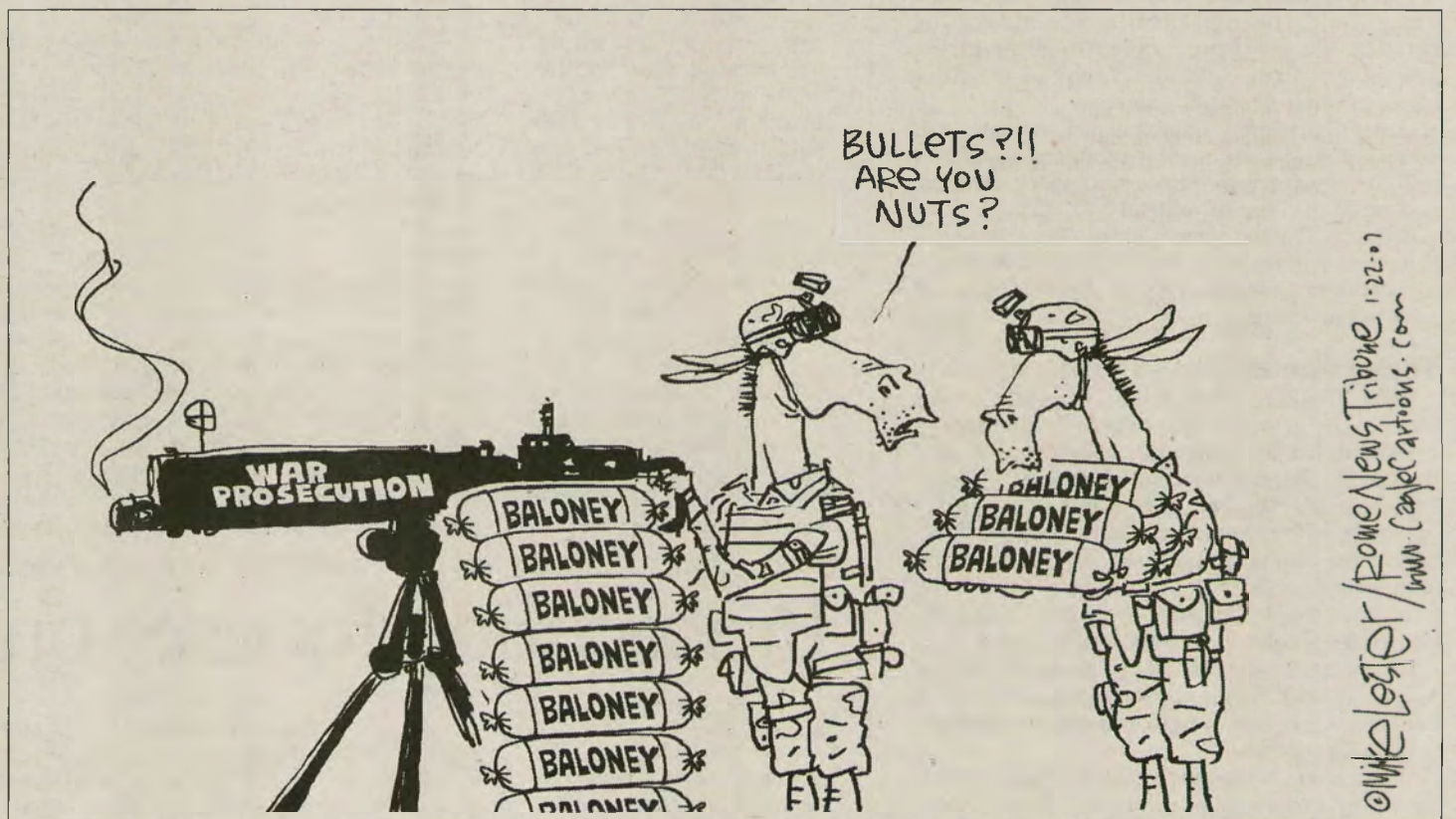
The students from ND/SMC Right to Life are joining other thousands at the March for Life in giving witness not only to justice but also to peace. In his message for the World Day of Peace, Jan. 1, 2006, Benedict XVI said "[t]he right to life ... is not subject to the power of man. Peace requires ... a clear boundary between what is at man's disposal and what is not. ... As far as the right to life is concerned, we must denounce its widespread violation. ... Alongside the victims of armed conflicts, terrorism and the different forms of violence, there are the silent deaths caused by hunger, abortion, experimentation on human embryos and euthanasia. How can we fail to see in all this an attack on peace?" Benedict described abortion and embryonic experimentation as "a direct denial of that attitude of acceptance of others that is indispensable for ... peace." The evils named by Benedict prevent peace because they deny what he called "the requirements of the nature bestowed on man by the Creator." Legalized abortion is part of a bigger picture.

Benedict entrusted his prayer for peace to "the Queen of Peace" who is, of course, Notre Dame. As Right to Life chairman Mary Elizabeth Walter described it, the journey to the March for Life is "not so much a demonstration but a prayer." Those students embody Notre Dame at its best. They have their act together, evidently more than some faculty.

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### EDITORIAL CARTOON



### OBSERVER POLL

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Do not wait for the last judgment. It takes place everyday."

Albert Camus  
writer and philosopher



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### ND should push living wage

I do hope the ND students will continue their mission to get the University to pay the employees at least a living wage, which would be about \$12/hour now.

I know some people that are employed think it is adequate now, but they are not raising a family on one income. Also for a Catholic organization advocating multi-children families, I hear from some employees that the department heads are not very tolerant when their workers need time off for emergency family problems.

Just as your former classmates were able to stop ND merchandise from being made by near slave labor and their former classmates were able to persuade their leaders to divest the University of its African gold during the apartheid era, I know that this generation of students will be able to get the University leaders to also do the right thing.

Louis C. Myers  
South Bend resident  
Jan. 11

### Ethics and morals not synonymous

This bit was written as a result of, but not a direct response to Eleanore Stong's letter ("Contraceptive society morally harmful," Jan. 22). As she states in the article, "God is the creator of humanity, thus God has written the manual for its optimal functioning in the world."

This is a widely held belief of many Catholics. Something similar was stated in the Catholic political guide that I picked up last semester in my dorm chapel. It seems to me that the argument in its most basic form goes something like, 'Since the Catholic (or Christian) moral law is best for society, ethical law should be completely in sync.' So ethics and morals should be synonymous, right?

For all of those nodding their head right now, maybe you should think twice. Contradicting evidence to your basic premise would alter that statement to, 'Since moral law is not always best for society, ethics should not be synonymous with morals.'

And here's my anticipated example: Matthew states that we should forgive not seven but 77 times. It is our moral duty to forgive our trespassers, just like those Amish families forgave Charles Roberts. The legal term for 'forgive' is 'exonerate'. Would it be best for society to ethically forgive those who trespass us? Clearly the answer is no. Our judicial system was installed to keep order, among other things. Without ethical implications our country would virtu-

ally be in a state of anarchy. So, clearly, moral law is not always best for this country.

My point is that morals cannot and should not ever be used to justify ethics. That's not to say that they can't be equivalent in most cases. This is true for me personally. Just let me present for you the origin of my frustration with this issue. I am from southern Georgia, and most of my good friends at home are conservative. When we would discuss the issue of gay marriage, the only justification for their opinion was that it is immoral.

Do you not see the problem with that? If that is your justification, then you have to, in order to have a sound argument, also attest that all moral law should be actual law. Plus, we are not a theocracy; have we forgotten that this country was not founded on the freedom of (and from) religion.

This is not meant to be a discussion about the legal issues of gay marriage, and I'm not advocating a side. It's just a good example. All I ask is that when you formulate your arguments, whatever side you're on, realize that you can have separate moral and ethics stances.

James Welle  
sophomore  
Knott Hall  
Jan. 22

## U-WIRE

### Just 'Wiki' it

Did you know that the University of Cambridge denied Edward A. Irving a doctorate because the work he submitted on continental drift was "not familiar enough"?

If you were a Wikipedia junkie, you would.

Andrew Swift

*The Daily Iowan*

The free encyclopedia is the new World Wide Web information king. It is truly unrivaled in its breadth of knowledge.

Google is so 2004.

Many around the world still delude themselves into thinking the best approach to finding random information on the Internet is the popular search engine. This belief is utterly false. Recent daily Wikipedia articles delivered directly to my e-mail — admittedly, a Gmail account — included the English progressive rock band Genesis and Pharaoh Ahmose I of Ancient

Egypt. Who knew Genesis has sold 150 million albums worldwide or that Ahmose I was of the 18th Theban Dynasty?

The Internet is designed to speed the flow of information. Books are still necessary, but print encyclopedias are cumbersome. Wikipedia understands this perfectly.

College students who argue they've never used Wikipedia for class help are blatant liars. It is hard to find a better source for general information. Need to know when Constantinople was taken by the Ottoman Empire? Wondering about the origin of the word "society"? Trying to figure out who's the longest serving chairman of the Federal Reserve? Wikipedia's got it all.

Of course, Wikipedia is not a scholarly resource, and anyone who tries to use it as such is idiotic. If Wikipedia is listed in your footnotes or bibliography, you've stooped to

new lows. I hope most college students have heard enough warnings from professors: Wikipedia is for play, not for work.

While winning Google wars was previously one of the most satisfying uses of the Internet, there is perhaps no greater aspiration in life than to have one's own Wikipedia entry. Google retains some advantages — but these are mostly in areas Wikipedia has not ventured. Indeed, comparing the two increasingly seems akin to comparing apples to oranges. Gmail is by far the best e-mail provider, Google image search is a quick source for irreverent Facebook pictures, and Google Earth is the greatest online toy of all time. It would be silly for Wikipedia to enter these markets.

A famous Albert Einstein quote, "The only thing that interferes with my learning is my education," is close to the truth. Perhaps if Einstein had seen the future, he

would have phrased it "The only thing that interferes with my learning is my lack of Wikipedia."

It is obvious American education needs desperate reform. But simply throwing more money at the problem — or even redistributing funds — will simply mask the larger problem. People learn in sundry manners — policymakers, bureaucrats, and local administrators and educators need to radically change how the youth of American intake knowledge. While Wikipedia is probably not a panacea, it's closer to the solution than most would imagine.

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### Fighting science with science

If you read an article in this newspaper saying that scientists had discovered amazing new health benefits of juice, would you believe it?

After all, you can't argue with science, right?

Well, sometimes you can.

Lillie Kilburn

*Arizona Daily Wildcat*

Industries love to use science to help promote their products, because science carries such credibility. That's why our world is full of bad science: miracle weight-loss drugs promising science-based quick fixes, corporations' representatives making statements as if they were independent scientific researchers and research studies that are funded by an industry and therefore biased toward that industry.

For example, that juice study you read about in the newspaper: Researchers in Boston looked at studies about milk, soda and juice, and their findings were not cheerful. Twenty-two percent of studies they looked at were entirely funded by industry — and of those, not a single one found a conclusion that was unfavorable to its industry.

This wasn't necessarily intentional. It

might simply have been due to the conflict of interest: Let's please the people who give us money.

Either way, perhaps you might not want to stock up on O.J. after all.

Of course, if we're going to talk about bad science that misleads the public, we can't go without mentioning Big Tobacco's 50-year crusade of misinformation about the science and health effects of its cigarettes. As the federal judge who last year found it guilty of racketeering said, Big Tobacco "suppressed research, they destroyed documents. ... They distorted the truth."

Exxon Mobil Corp. has done much the same thing over the years since the Kyoto Protocol. As a scientific watchdog reported in December, Exxon Mobil Corp. has spent \$16 million to make it seem as though the scientific community is divided about the existence of global warming.

According to the Union of Concerned Scientists, Exxon Mobil Corp. distorted the findings of real scientific studies and paid their own "scientific spokespeople" to create the illusion of doubt about global warming.

It seems science isn't so infallible, after all.

And it's obvious that our lack of understanding about science is really hurting us — financially, health-wise and environmentally.

Yet, it's natural for companies to try to use science for their own benefit. It would be nearly impossible to stop them doing so, and in a way their liberty to do so is, well, a liberty.

Therefore, the best thing we can do is become smarter about science ourselves — although the unfortunate truth is that the current trend is going in the opposite direction. U.S. Department of Education test scores in 2005 showed that science proficiency is continuing to fall among high school seniors.

Distressingly, almost half of high school seniors did not have a "basic" level of understanding about science — "basic" being defined as "partial mastery of prerequisite knowledge and skills that are fundamental for proficient work at each grade."

If that's the case, how can half our citizens hope to distinguish good scientific research from claims made by a corporation, research that might be biased from research that probably isn't or even a brilliant new scientific gadget from a piece of

junk that won't work?

If we as a nation want to be able to make smart decisions about our own lives, we have to understand science.

To interpret health findings claiming that trans fats are bad for us, we have to know what trans fats are. We have to know the basic science behind what we do every day to see that the active ingredient in this expensive face cream and that cheap one are the same.

Most importantly, we have to learn what it means to look at the world scientifically. That doesn't mean losing our beliefs. It means looking at science with skepticism — and knowing that something can only be disproven, never proven — and recognizing that science can't provide the absolute truth, only clues to it.

Science isn't just for chemistry majors; it's what the universe is made of, and it's something we have to understand to be smart consumers and citizens.

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CD REVIEWS

# Latest U2 collection includes hits and misses

By BRIAN DOXTADER  
Scene Editor

U2 already has a pair of greatest hits albums, "Best of 1980 - 1990" and "Best of 1990 - 2000," so "U2:18" might seem like a cheap cash-in on previously released material. Unfortunately, it is. The band doesn't really need another compilation, and "U2:18" doesn't provide anything new or revelatory about the most popular band in the world.

U2, led by singer Bono and guitarist The Edge, started out as an above-average post-punk outfit before finding its footing as a socially-conscious band with a penchant for sweeping anthems. Driven by the rhythm section of Larry Mullen Jr. and Adam Clayton (the two members of the band that actually have names), U2 married eclectic experimentation with simple rock beats, a combination that proved to be both artistically and commercially successful. On 1991's "Achtung Baby," it reinvented itself as an electronic/dance band.

U2 continued along this path for the

decade until re-inventing itself as a neo-classicist pop band, which was evident on its most recent two albums, 2000's "All That You Can't Leave Behind" and 2004's "How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb."

Sadly, despite this history, there's a lot wrong with "U2:18." It isn't arranged chronologically, so it's nearly impossible to get a feel for the band's considerable artistic growth. This problem is compounded by the complete absence of several key U2 albums, including 1981's "Boy" (the band's debut), 1982's "October," and 1993's "Zooropa."

The music that is included is generally great, though it relies a bit too heavily on U2's later renaissance. Songs like "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For" and "New Year's Day" have a timeless, anthem-type quality to them, while love songs like "One" and "With or Without You" hint at the band's depth. The best song on the compilation (still one of the defining songs of the 1980s) is U2's tribute to Martin Luther King Jr., the fiery "Pride (In the Name of the Love)," which features fantastic guitar work by The Edge.

The two new songs on the album are respectable, but not nearly as good as the rest of the collection's material. A cover of The Skids' "The Saints" are Coming" features U2's Green Day, while "Window in the



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From left, U2's Adam Clayton, Larry Mullen, The Edge and Bono pose after a recent Grammy win. Their latest compilation album omits several songs from their library.

Skies" is a U2-by-numbers anthem that showcases a fine vocal performance by Bono despite an excess of strings.

Still, for a collection that purports to be a collection of singles, it's disappointing just how many of the band's biggest singles have been forgotten — "I Will Follow," "Gloria," "Bad," "Stay (Faraway So Close!)" and "Even Better Than the Real Thing" among them. "U2:18" is also disappointing because it omits unreleased album tracks, so the breadth and depth of U2 is lost in the commerciality of the singles. It also fails to include anything from any of U2's side projects, which means that "Miss Sarajevo" (featuring Luciano Pavarotti), one of its best songs from the 1990s, is

also missing.

In the end, it's hard to see the point of a compilation like "U2:18." Faithful fans will most likely own most of the album's material, and wouldn't feel compelled to buy the disc simply for a few new songs. Those unfamiliar with U2 would be better off buying one of its previously released "Best Of" collections, or better yet, picking up 1987's "The Joshua Tree" and 1991's "Achtung Baby." There's no arguing with the greatness of the music included on the disc. However, it's hard not to wish for more of it.

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**U2**  
18 Singles  
U2:18  
U2:18 SINGLES

Recommended tracks: 'New Year's Day,' 'Pride (In the Name of Love)' and 'With or Without You'

# Director Coppola blends punk rock, 18th century

By ANALISE LIPARI  
Assistant Scene Editor

With her 2006 release "Marie Antoinette," director Sofia Coppola took a unique approach to creating a soundtrack for the project. Unlike most modern period films, the majority of the music featured in the movie is not a recently composed mishmash of strings and generic orchestration. In an approach not uncharacteristic of the film's quirky director, the music of "Marie Antoinette" derives not from an orchestra pit, but more likely from a garage or dingy nightclub.

Coppola has filled the film with New Wave, post-punk and modern rock songs, creating a surprisingly fresh and youthful atmosphere for such a history-based film. The soundtrack itself comes with two discs, the first highlighting more well known songs and the second featuring most of the film's instrumental tracks.

The first disc thunders open with "Hong Kong Garden," a fervent post-punk track by eighties underground hipsters Siouxsie and the Banshees. Showcased during a

daring masked ball in the film, "Hong Kong Garden" creates an aura of clashing sound and exotic lyrics that seems fitting given the film's storyline.

Marie Antoinette, an Austrian by blood, was herself something of a misfit in the ornate and regimented world of Versailles, and her enclosure within and figurative escape from that strange world ties in closely with the colorful atmosphere that "Hong Kong Garden" describes.

The subsequent tracks on the first disc are each well chosen and unique. One standout song is "Melody of a Fallen Tree" by Texas band Windsor for the Derby. One of the lengthier songs included, the "Melody" has a quiet, peaceful feel to it, contrasting sharply with the guitar-heavy tracks that make up the majority of the album. Strong vocals and a pulsating rhythm characterize "Kings of the Wild Frontier" by Adam and the Ants, a New Wave band whose powerful drums help anchor the song's place on the album.

Other highlights include the addition of more modern bands, such as "What Even Happened" by the Strokes; the appearances of both the now-ubiquitous "I Want Candy" and the lesser known "Aphrodisiac" by Bow Wow Wow; and the bass-heavy vintage New Order hit "Ceremony."

The choice to highlight key moments in a period film with relatively contemporary music would normally seem



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Kirsten Dunst stars as doomed French sovereign Marie Antoinette in Sofia Coppola's 2006 film. The film's soundtrack includes bands such as Siouxsie and the Banshees.

curious to the average listener. With "Marie Antoinette," however, the choice makes thematic sense. To Coppola, Marie Antoinette is essentially a lost young girl searching for meaning as she is increasingly overwhelmed by pressures beyond her control. The struggle for individuality and personal happiness are well-worn ideas to any teenage listener of the music Coppola has chosen. The connection between the two time periods, then, is intriguingly obvious.

The second disc features instrumental tracks by both modern and more classical artists. Both the techno-influenced Aphex Twin and eighties alternative icons the Cure make appearances, with the Cure closing off the album with the disc's final

track, "All Cat's Are Grey." The disc's most energetic track is Bow Wow Wow's joyous "Fools Rush In," heard in the film after the young queen meets her future lover, Count Fersen (Jamie Dornan).

Seeing the film further enriches the experience of listening to this fantastic compilation, but unlike most movie soundtracks, the album stands very well on its own. Any eighties rock aficionado or French Revolution scholar can appreciate the diversity and strength of the songs included, vindicating Coppola's off-kilter and ultimately fascinating collection of music for "Marie Antoinette."

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**Various Artists**  
Marie Antoinette: Original  
Motion Picture Soundtrack  
Verve Forecast

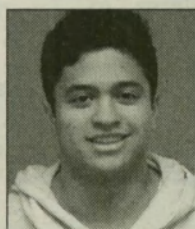
Recommended tracks: 'Hong Kong Garden,' 'Fools Rush In,' 'Ceremony' and 'Aphrodisiac'





# Football entertains from Grossman to gridiron

Once my favorite NFL team has been eliminated from contention, all I ask for the remainder of the playoffs is that I'm entertained. So as I watched this past weekend's conference championship games, unable to rattle off my signature J-E-T-S chant in support of Gang Green, my challenge to the the football gods was this: entertain me.



Tae Andrews

Assistant  
Scene Editor

To their credit, the football gods answered my prayers. The first game, featuring the New Orleans Saints at the Chicago Bears, had it all: a bleak, blustery day at Soldier Field, a howling den of blood-thirsty Bears fans and a voracious Chicago defense, pawing and clawing at the Saints and forcing them to cough up three fumbles.

Reggie Bush did his part, slipping and sliding on the frozen tundra before ultimately taking it to the house on an electric 88-yard catch, but unfortunately for the Saints, they had a tough time marching against the Bears' defense. Although they weren't quite the "Aints," they did look quaint (and buttery of fingers) at times, and in the end, their Super Bowl hopes were faint against a dominating defense.

On the other side of the ball, the Bears trotted out the worst quarterback to be in the Super Bowl since Trent Dilfer. Fortunately, he's hilarious. Rex Grossman's name sounds like a combination of a porn star alter ego and something one Illini dorm monkey would say to the other after

yet another disgusting/horrible throw, as in, "That's gross, man."

Is it just me or should the Bears organization run a promotion where they offer all male fans free coconut bras and grass skirts so they can hula hip-shimmy and serenade opposing teams with chants of, "Daaaaaaaaa Bears Da Bears Da Bears Da Bears Da Bears" ad nauseam? Chris Farley, where have you gone?

After watching the Bears reign supreme, it was on to the Patriots at the Colts. I always love this somewhat perennial matchup for two reasons. Firstly, for the Patriots, playing the Colts is a lot like beating up your little brother. For a year, all you hear about is how much better the "new and improved" Colts are, then you come home from school and powerbomb the upstart little man into the family sofa for half an hour until he admits defeat or your mom yells at you. Sure, you might toy with the young fella a little bit, make him think he has a watermelon Jolly Rancher slushy's chance in hell of beating you, but ultimately the outcome is never in doubt.

The other reason I love watching Pats-Colts is the annual tradition of Peyton Manning crumpling like a piece of toilet paper, and the accompanying crinkling of his features into facial expressions of frustration, pain and general cowardice.

Sure enough, it looked like business as usual in the first half, as the Patriots generally put on a clinic in football hustle and flow, slapping the Colts around in their own home as all of Indiana winced and prepared for the inevitable. Peyton Manning was doing his part, throwing picks and shrugging his shoulders in his typical look of, "Well, what do you want from me?"

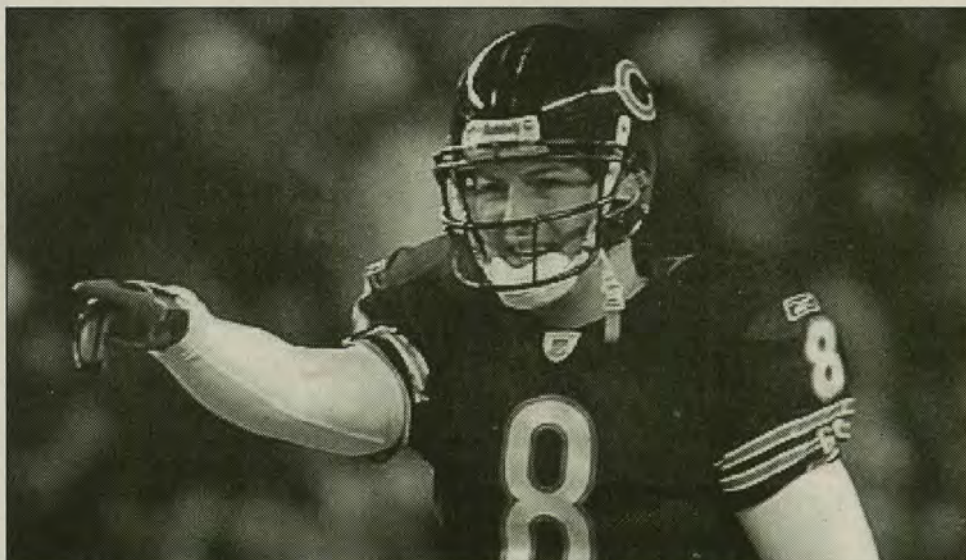


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Chicago Bears quarterback Rex Grossman motions during Sunday's NFC title game. The Bears cemented their Super Bowl berth by defeating the New Orleans Saints.

But lo and behold, the little brother grew up, and Manning's Colts pulled off a Tom Brady and the Patriots-esque comeback, finally tearing the monkey off their backs, slaying their dragon and all other fantasy-related sports metaphors about defeating people you normally can't.

Even better, Patriots coach Bill Belichick, replete with his customary sweatshirt-cut-off-at-the-elbows outfit, looked as though someone had peed in his cereal. Talk about sour grapes. I've never seen a worse sore loser. I also loved the "agony of defeat" shot of Tom Brady, looking stunned after the Patriot loss. What'll he do in the offseason? Well, he'll probably go somewhere exotic

and play golf with his consolation prize, stunning supermodel girlfriend Giselle Bündchen. As for the rest of us? Well, we get to tune in to the Super Bowl in Miami.

Fortunately, this year the Steelers aren't in it, so the rest of us won't have to deal with the stupid towel-flapping of a year ago. Even if the Super Bowl is a bust, at least for the time being, I have one thing to say to the NFL: Thank you.

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## MOVIE REVIEW

# 'The Painted Veil' inspires emotions, senses

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"The Painted Veil" is one of the few films I've seen recently whose mood has managed to linger beyond the theater doors. The majestic and peaceful cinematography, scenery and score capture the senses and provide a striking overlay to the character's humanity and the story's themes of punishment, forgiveness and the difficulty of uniting two worlds, whether they are England and China or man and wife.

Set in 1925 and based on the book by W. Somerset Maugham, "The Painted Veil" tells the story of a young bacteriologist, Walter Fane (Edward Norton), and his wife Kitty (Naomi Watts). Kitty, a shallow socialite, marries Walter to escape her mother and the embarrassment of a late marriage, but she has no love for him. He takes her to Shanghai where she quickly becomes bored and has an affair with English Vice Council Charlie Townsend (Liv Ullmann). Walter later discovers their indiscretion and takes his revenge by offering Kitty a difficult choice — she must either convince Townsend to divorce his own wife and marry her, or accompany Walter to the village of Mei-Tan-Fu, which is suffering from a cholera outbreak. They travel into rural China, where they find a set of people whose lives are also being pulled apart.

The film is founded on its tensions, whether they are political, sexual or moral. The film does not forget its setting and reveals many of the conflicts arising in early 20th century China as it convulses through British imperialism. As one of the characters notes, "...if the cholera doesn't get us, the nationalists might." From the outset it explores the dynamic between various political groups, including the British, Chinese nationalists, regional warlords and the local Chinese peasants.

Unlike many current films, "The Painted Veil" portrays sexuality as something honest in its timidity and roughness, rather than in confidence and practiced sensuality. Kitty's encounters with Townsend may be pleasurable and those with Walter may be awkward, but ultimately meaning is found in the latter.

But the film's main focus is on discovering to what extent people will punish themselves and others in the struggle to forgive. Walter and Kitty do not easily forgive and forget, and, in doing, so they make their journey that much harder.

The film's characters are complex and flawed, making their growth all the more important, as their redemption is uncertain. Walter Fane may be self-sacrificing, risking his life to enter a cholera epidemic, but he can also be cruel, threatening to strangle his wife if she interrupts him in anger. Kitty Fane can be shallow and deeply honest. Together their



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Naomi Watts, left, and Edward Norton star in "The Painted Veil." The movie, an adaptation of the W. Somerset Maugham novel, examines a troubled marriage.

refusal to forgive easily is very human.

Even the secondary characters maintain an impressive level of depth. Deputy Commissioner Waddington (Toby Jones) at first appears to be the typical, disgruntled Englishman abroad, but his loyalty to his Manchurian mistress and "gone native" mentality are slowly revealed. Colonel Yu (Anthony Wong Chau-Sang) balances precariously between doubting Norton's English doctor and aiding him. None of the characters are standard heroes, and each makes mistakes and finds acceptance.

The score and cinematography of "The Painted Veil" are some of the film's most beautiful aspects. One of very few movies

permitted to be filmed in China in recent years, the film takes full advantage of the country's natural beauty. The Golden Globe winning score, composed by Alexandre Desplat and featuring pianist Lang Lang, pulses and flows through the film. It is majestic but not overpowering, reflecting the romantic nature of the story.

"The Painted Veil" is more than a period piece or a romance. It is a commentary on how people push themselves into deeper troubles, and how heroically and naturally they struggle to fix them.

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**Director:** John Curran  
**Writers:** Ron Nyswaner and W. Somerset Maugham (novel)  
**Starring:** Edward Norton, Naomi Watts, Liv Ullmann and Toby Jones



## NBA

# Hill, Howard help Magic end losing streak

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Grant Hill scored 22 points, Dwight Howard added 18 with 13 rebounds and the Orlando Magic snapped a five-game losing streak by beating the listless Cleveland Cavaliers 90-79.

Hill, who missed Orlando's previous game with a dislocated pinky, only scored two points and played less than six minutes of the fourth quarter. But he did enough in his first 27 minutes on the floor to give the Magic an 11-point lead entering the period.

Jameer Nelson had 11 points, Keith Bogans made three 3-pointers and Darko Milicic added nine rebounds for Orlando, which ended a six-game skid in Cleveland.

LeBron James had 18 points for the weary Cavaliers, who just completed a seven-game trip out West and were playing their fifth game in seven nights.

Larry Hughes and Damon Jones had 16 points apiece for Cleveland, which after losing for the fourth time in five games, reached the midway point of the season at 24-17 — the same record it had last season.

Leading 71-60 after three, the Magic pushed their lead to 80-64 following a 3-pointer by Keyon Dooling and Milicic's basket inside. Bogans' third 3 made it 83-68 with 7:19 left, and the Cavaliers didn't have the legs to get back in it.

Hill and Howard finished a combined 15-of-22 from the field.

## Pacers 98, Bulls 91

Jermaine O'Neal had 22 points and 10 rebounds points as the Indiana Pacers beat the Chicago Bulls on Monday night to snap a four-game losing streak and win for the first time since making an eight-player trade last week.

Darrell Armstrong had 16 points, 10 assists and eight rebounds for the Pacers. The 38-year-old point guard was making his second start of the season in place of the injured Jamaal Tinsley.

Ben Gordon scored 21 of his 31 points in the second half for Chicago. Luol Deng had 18 points and eight rebounds and Kirk Hinrich had 14 points before fouling out late in the game.

Two of the newcomers acquired from Golden State, Mike Dunleavy and Troy Murphy, made solid contributions. Mike Dunleavy had 15 points, seven rebounds and

five assists and Troy Murphy had seven points and eight rebounds in his first start for Indiana.

Danny Granger scored 19 points and Marquis Daniels added 12 for the Pacers, who had lost three games during their losing streak by three points or less.

## Raptors 105, Bobcats 84

Chris Bosh scored 20 points and Jose Calderon had a season-high 19 points and 11 assists to lead the Toronto Raptors to a victory over the Charlotte Bobcats.

Andrea Bargnani added 14 points for the Raptors, who played without starting point guard T.J. Ford (sore right ankle). Calderon, Toronto's backup point guard, has played well with Ford hobbled in recent games.

Toronto allowed Charlotte to shoot 58 percent in the first half, but the Raptors stifled Charlotte's offense with a zone defense in the third quarter.

The Raptors outscored the Bobcats 21-8 in the third, when Charlotte shot just 4-for-18.

Gerald Wallace had 19 points and nine rebounds for the Bobcats, who had won five of their previous seven. Raymond Felton had 19 points and eight assists after missing two games with an ankle injury.

Bargnani, the No. 1 pick in the draft, finished 5-for-10 from the field. Adam Morrison, the third pick, went 1-for-6 for just three points.

Toronto's Pape Sow received a loud ovation when he entered the game in the fourth quarter. Sow played his first game since having neck surgery to repair a fractured vertebrae after falling and hitting another player during practice in the Las Vegas summer league.

Toronto is 2-1 on a five-game homestand that finish with Boston and New Orleans.

Calderon's 3-pointer and Bosh's jumper made it 90-68 with 5:27 left in the fourth. Calderon added another 3-pointer, giving Toronto a 97-71 lead with 3:30 remaining.

Bargnani had nine points in Toronto's 37-point first quarter — its highest-scoring opening period this season. Wallace had 11 of his 15 first-half points in the second quarter, cutting the lead to three by halftime.

## Spurs 93, Celtics 89

Tim Duncan remained unbeaten against the Boston Celtics, finishing with 21 points and nine rebounds to



Orlando point guard Jameer Nelson, right, dribbles down the court while forward Grant Hill breaks in transition. The Magic topped the Cavaliers 90-79 in Cleveland Monday.

lead the San Antonio Spurs to a victory.

Manu Ginobili and Tony Parker each scored 15 points and Michael Finley had 12 for the Spurs, who have won 18 straight against the Celtics and nine in a row in Boston. The Celtics last beat the Spurs on Jan. 8, 1997, the season before Duncan entered the NBA.

Duncan shot 7-of-17 from the field and 7-of-7 from the free throw line as the Spurs won their third straight and eighth in 10 games. His 10 second-quarter points helped San Antonio outscore Boston 30-14 after falling behind 24-20 through one.

Delonte West led Boston with 27 points, while Al Jefferson added 26 and Ryan Gomes had 20. The Celtics have lost eight straight and are 2-14 without star guard Paul Pierce, who has been out since Dec. 22 with a stress reaction in his left foot.

The Spurs led by as many as 23 in the third quarter and 77-63 after the period. But after the teams traded baskets for much of the fourth quarter, Boston used a late 13-0 run to make it close.

West's jumper from just inside the 3-point line pulled Boston to 91-89 with 8.7 seconds left, but Finley made two free throws with 3.2 seconds left to ice it.

## Heat 101, Knicks 83

Playing without their two All-Stars, the Miami Heat scored a franchise-record 27 consecutive points and beat the New York Knicks.

Dwyane Wade and Shaquille O'Neal watched from the bench as Miami raced to a 29-3 lead after 8 1/2 minutes. The Knicks missed 10 consecutive shots as their 3-2 lead became a 26-point deficit, while the Heat started 13-for-19 and outscored New York 14-0 in the paint at the outset.

Miami did it with a makeshift lineup. Wade decided shortly before the game to rest the left ankle he sprained Sunday in a loss to Dallas, and O'Neal missed his 35th consecutive game as he nears a return from knee surgery.

"We just wanted to come out and try to get as many easy shots as we could," said Miami's Jason Williams, who scored 20 points. "It's always tough without D-Wade and

Shaq, but the NBA's not going to give us a break."

The Knicks cut the deficit to 15 points by halftime and briefly to six in the fourth quarter. Williams sank a pair of 26-footers late to prevent a collapse by Miami.

Jason Kaponu fueled the Heat's early run and scored 22 points. Udonis Haslem added 19 points and 10 rebounds. Gary Payton had 13 assists, his highest total since joining the Heat in 2005.

Eddy Curry scored 26 points and Jamal Crawford 23 for the Knicks, who trailed by 28 after one quarter — the second-largest such deficit in franchise history.

New York's Stephon Marbury sat out the second half because of a sore left knee.

The Knicks' past three games had been decided at the finish, but not this one. Kaponu's third 3-pointer of the opening period put them behind 21-3, and Haslem's short jumper made it 29-3 before Curry's layup ended the Heat run.

The crowd offered a mock cheer for New York's first basket in more than eight minutes.

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NHL

# All-Star festivities feature many young players

*Brodeur, Shanahan travel as familiar faces*

Associated Press

DALLAS — Martin Brodeur is used to coming to All-Star games to catch up with friends, guys he knows from Team Canada and previous midseason gatherings.

On Monday, he might as well have worn one of those "Hello, my name is ..." badges.

The All-Star festivities feature so many new players that the days leading up to Wednesday night's game are more get-to-know-you sessions than reunions — even if first-timers Sidney Crosby and Alex Ovechkin need no introduction to anyone who has followed the post-lockout NHL.

"A lot of young players are a big part of the league, so for us older guys it's kind of nice to get to know them, talk to them and see how they are," Brodeur said. "Really, they're the future of our game."

The past has been amazingly swept away by this new wave of talent.

Consider this: Brodeur and East teammate Brendan Shanahan have played a combined 15 All-Star games; the rest of their teammates have played a combined 11.

On the West squad, Joe Sakic, Teemu Selanne and Nicklas Lidstrom hold a 28-15 experience advantage over their teammates.

"The young guys today are a lot more talented than when we broke in," said Sakic, the Colorado forward who is a 12-time All-Star and the West's captain. "There are so many of them, and that's what is so great about this game right now. They're going to be the leaders of this league, and the league is going in the right direction with them."

Not that it's so terrible being invited back as one of the old guys.

"You've still got to be doing some right to be selected," he said. "This is just a different feeling for a veteran. Early in your career, you're really nervous. But the more times you're here, the easier it gets. You just come here, relax and have a good time."

The fun began Monday evening with a ceremony outside the arena honoring Dallas' 1999 Stanley Cup championship team. Mike Modano, Brett Hull, Joe Nieuwendyk, Ed Belfour and Canadiens coach Guy Carbonneau were among 13 attendees, as was the Cup itself. Then came an on-ice celebration of 11 former NHL superstars, followed by a practice featuring the real squads.

The light workout was most noted for seeing players skate in sleek new uniforms created for this event with materials that will be used for every team next season. The difference was easily evident — players looking as if they were hardly wearing any pads.

The YoungStars game and the skills competition come Tuesday night.

A big reason for all the fresh faces at the event: There hasn't been one since 2004. The last two were scuttled because of the lockout and the Olympics, helping build some enthusiasm this time among players who might otherwise want a few days off.

"You get excited to come back after the Olympics last year, and you get excited to see all of the players again," San Jose forward Joe Thornton said. "It's fun seeing ex-teammates like Brian Rolston or guys that you used to play with. I get excited. It's a good couple days for us. ... You never know if it's going to be your last, so you get excited and have as much fun as you can."

While there's talk of trying to put on a competitive game,

*"A lot of young players are a big part of the league, so for us older guys it's kind of nice to get to know them, talk to them and see how they are. Really, they're the future of our team."*

**Martin Brodeur  
Devils goalie**

NFL

# Vick not charged in crime

Associated Press

Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick wasn't carrying marijuana when stopped by security last week at Miami International Airport, ESPN reported Sunday.

Citing anonymous NFL sources, ESPN's Chris Mortensen reported Vick wasn't carrying marijuana or any other illegal substance. The ESPN report also cited an anonymous Falcons source, who said the team expects to hear something formal by Monday.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello wouldn't comment on the report. He told The Associated Press the league had received no information on the issue.

Falcons team spokesman Reggie Roberts told the AP the team had not heard anything and did not know the origin of the ESPN report.

Vick did not return a call. Last Wednesday, Vick reluctantly surrendered a water bottle to security at the Miami airport. He was not arrested and was allowed to board an AirTran flight to Atlanta.

The bottle was found to have a compartment that contained "a small amount of dark particulate and a pungent aroma closely associated with marijuana," the police report said.

NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# No. 6 Sooners top Texas Tech in double overtime



Oklahoma forward Amanda Thompson, right, blocks a shot from Texas Tech center Patrice Edwards in the first half of Oklahoma's 86-81 double-overtime victory Monday.

Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — Backup point guard Kendra Moore scored 13 of her career-high 20 points in extra time to help No. 6 Oklahoma hold on and beat Texas Tech 86-81 in double overtime on Monday night.

Courtney Paris recorded her 45th straight double-double, finishing with 22 points and 17 rebounds for Oklahoma (16-1, 6-0 Big 12), which extended its winning streak against conference opponents to 25 games.

But during the overtimes, Moore became the Sooners' go-to player. With the game tied 81-81, it was Paris handing the ball off to Moore on a pick-and-roll and Moore slicing through the lane for a layup with 34.4 seconds left.

At the other end, Oklahoma's starting point guard, Britney Brown, stole the basketball from Texas Tech's Jordan Murphree as she rose to shoot. Brown hit two free throws with 11 seconds left — her first points of the game — and added another free throw in the final second to seal the win.

Five players scored in double figures for Texas Tech (12-8, 3-3), led by Alesha Robertson, who finished with 20. Six-foot-6 Patrice Edwards added 12 points and 10 rebounds for the Lady Raiders.

It was Oklahoma's first double-overtime game since Dec. 21, 2000, when the Sooners beat San

Diego. Texas Tech played its last two-overtime game on Feb. 23, 2000, a win over Texas.

Oklahoma struggled with turnovers for much of the game, finishing with 21, and never led by more than eight points. Paris went just 9-of-24 from the field, sitting out nine minutes of the second half. She did not score in the game's final 14 minutes and missed five shots in the overtime periods.

The Sooners led by six with three minutes left in regulation, but Texas Tech rallied to go ahead 67-63 with 44.2 seconds left, and Oklahoma needed a 3-pointer by Erin Higgins with 7.6 seconds left to forge a 68-68 tie.

Texas Tech's Chesley Dabbs, who scored 13 points, missed a 10-footer at the buzzer.

The Lady Raiders fell behind by three points early in the first overtime but took a 75-73 lead on a 16-foot jumper by Dabbs with 1:16 left. Moore tied it seconds later on a drive at the other end.

After a Paris miss, Texas Tech had another chance to win, but she altered a jumper by Dabbs and the ball went out of bounds with eight-tenths of a second left. Paris stole the ensuing inbound pass and her heave from 70 feet hit the rim and bounced away.

Oklahoma outrebounded Texas Tech 49-35. Welch added 15 points for the Sooners, while Ashley Paris had 10.



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## Women's Basketball Associated Press Top 25

	team	record	points
1	Duke	18-0	1235
2	North Carolina	19-0	1212
3	Maryland	18-1	1128
4	Tennessee	16-1	1122
5	Ohio State	15-1	1085
6	Connecticut	14-1	1000
7	Oklahoma	12-1	972
8	LSU	16-2	873
9	Stanford	14-3	856
10	Arizona State	16-2	766
11	George Washington	14-2	673
12	Purdue	16-3	671
13	Baylor	14-3	636
14	Vanderbilt	16-2	633
15	Louisville	17-1	503
16	Georgia	14-4	485
17	Texas A&M	12-3	444
18	Bowling Green	14-2	367
19	Marquette	16-2	359
20	Middle Tenn. St.	15-3	268
21	California	13-4	210
22	Texas	13-4	177
23	Michigan State	13-4	159

## Women's Basketball ESPN/USA Today Top 25

		record	points
1	Duke	18-0	764
2	North Carolina	19-0	752
3	Maryland	18-1	705
4	Tennessee	16-1	693
5	Connecticut	14-1	625
6	Oklahoma	12-1	610
7	Ohio State	15-1	600
8	LSU	16-2	567
9	Stanford	14-3	509
10	Arizona State	16-2	476
11	Vanderbilt	16-2	434
12	Baylor	14-3	419
13	George	14-2	403
14	Washington	16-3	401
15	Purdue	17-1	334
16	Louisville	14-4	322
17	Georgia	14-2	267
18	Bowling Green	12-3	258
19	Texas A&M	16-2	197

## Women's Basketball Big East Standings

	team	Big East record	overall record
1	Connecticut	4-0	14-2
2	Rutgers	5-1	10-5
3	Marquette	4-1	16-2
4	Louisville	3-1	17-2
5	South Florida	3-1	14-4
6	NOTRE DAME	3-1	12-5
7	Providence	2-2	12-5
8	Cincinnati	2-3	11-5
9	West Virginia	2-3	11-7
10	Syracuse	2-3	8-11
11	Pittsburgh	1-2	14-3
12	DePaul	1-3	12-6
13	Villanova	1-3	7-11
14	Georgetown	1-4	11-7
15	Seton Hall	1-4	9-8
16	St. John's	1-4	5-11

## around the

### NBA

Atlanta at Chicago  
8:30 p.m., Comcast

### TENNIS

Australian Open  
10 p.m., ESPN2

## NFL



Bill Parcells is carried off the field after winning Super Bowl XXI as head coach of the New York Giants in 1987. Parcells steps down as the ninth winningest coach in NFL history with one year left on his contract with the Cowboys.

## Parcells calls it quits after 19 seasons

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Bill Parcells could have returned to the Dallas Cowboys for one more shot at becoming the first coach to lead three teams into the Super Bowl.

He could have come back to try ending the longest playoff drought in the franchise's proud history. Or he could have come back to finish what he started in developing quarterback Tony Romo and a 3-4 defense.

Instead, 15 days after a gut-wrenching playoff loss in Seattle, Parcells decided Monday to call it a career, ending a four-year run in

Dallas and a 19-year tenure in the NFL that included three Super Bowls and two championships.

"I am retiring from coaching football," Parcells said in a statement. "I want to thank Jerry Jones and Stephen Jones for their tremendous support over the last four years. Also, the players, my coaching staff and others in the support group who have done so much to help. Dallas is a great city and the Cowboys are an integral part of it. I am hopeful that they are able to go forward from here."

Known for a gruff demeanor and colorful quotes, Parcells leaves with

the ninth-most wins in NFL history and a career record of 183-138-1. He was 34-32 in Dallas, counting two playoff losses. He had one year left at more than \$5 million on a contract extension signed last January.

"I am in good health and feel lucky to have been able to coach in the NFL for an extended period of time," the 65-year-old coach said.

Although he failed to make the Cowboys champions again, Parcells leaves the Cowboys better than he found it. The club went from three straight 5-11 seasons before he arrived to making the playoffs

twice in four years. "His contributions to the game of football and to the NFL are immeasurable," team owner Jerry Jones said in a statement. "We will always be grateful for his dedicated effort and commitment to the Dallas Cowboys."

Parcells expected big things in 2006 and, thanks to the emergence of Romo, Dallas had a two-game division lead in December. Then the Cowboys lost four of their final five games, including the last three. The capper came against the Seahawks after Romo bungled the hold of a short field goal with a little more than a minute left.

## IN BRIEF

### Nadal advances to quarterfinal of Australian Open

Rafael Nadal finally got to see how he holds up against a guy who can also beat Roger Federer.

And when his night's work was done — well past midnight — he understood what he had accomplished against Andy Murray.

"It was a very, very, very important match for me, very tough," Nadal said. "Andy was playing at an unbelievable level. He's very smart on court, for sure."

For four sets there was little to separate the two. But Nadal outlasted the 19-year-old Scotsman, twice rallying from a set down to win 6-7 (3), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1 and reach the Australian Open quarterfinals.

After crunching a backhand pass on his second match point, Nadal dropped to his stomach and stretched face down. He got up and bowed to the crowd. It was 1:50 a.m. Tuesday, and time to get some rest.

### Nascar changes points race system

Kasey Kahne won a series-high five races during NASCAR's regular season, yet barely qualified for the championship chase because of a points system that has long rewarded consistency over winning.

But under a series of adjustments announced Monday, the emphasis has been shifted to winning. In doing so, NASCAR might also have ensured that its biggest stars will almost always qualify for the Chase for the championship.

Beginning this season, the Chase will have 12 drivers — up from 10 — and the field will be seeded based on "regular-season" victories.

"We believe the Chase accomplished the original goal — it made racing more competitive, made every race ... mean more and created more excitement," NASCAR chairman Brian France said.

### N.C. State coach returns after bout with cancer

Two months after cancer forced her away from basketball, North Carolina State coach Kay Yow still fights a disease that won't let her rest.

The Hall of Famer showed little sign of backing down Monday as she announced she'd return to the team — even as she adapts to what her body will and won't let her do.

"Of course, I'm always anxious to get back with the team but I have to be realistic about it," Yow said.

"I told myself that I don't want to get back with the team and it be a hindrance. I have to be able to make a contribution. I wanted to get back, but I wanted to be sure I could do that before I came back."

The 64-year-old coach plans to resume her duties Tuesday, with her first game likely coming Thursday against Atlantic Coast Conference rival Virginia.



NFL

# Manning scheduled for X-rays on thumb

*Colts QB is probable for Super Bowl play*

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Colts quarterback Peyton Manning was scheduled to have X-rays on his injured right thumb Monday, although Indianapolis doesn't believe it will affect his status for the Super Bowl against Chicago on Feb. 4.

Manning hit the thumb on his throwing hand on the helmet of left tackle Tarik Glenn late in the Colts' 38-34 victory over New England in the AFC championship Sunday night.

Coach Tony Dungy said the thumb was discolored after the game and that Manning was hurting.

"But from everything I hear, it's going to be OK," Dungy said.

Manning ranks second on the NFL's consecutive starts list, behind Brett Favre. He

has started 156 consecutive games, including playoffs, in his nine-year career.

In fact, Manning has only missed one play because of injury — in a 2001 game against Miami.

Dolphins defensive end Lorenzo Bromell hit Manning with his helmet under the chin strap, fracturing Manning's jaw and drawing blood. Backup Mark Rypien replaced Manning, botched the handoff on the ensuing play and the Dolphins returned the fumble for a touchdown.

Bromell was later fined \$15,500 for the helmet-to-helmet hit.

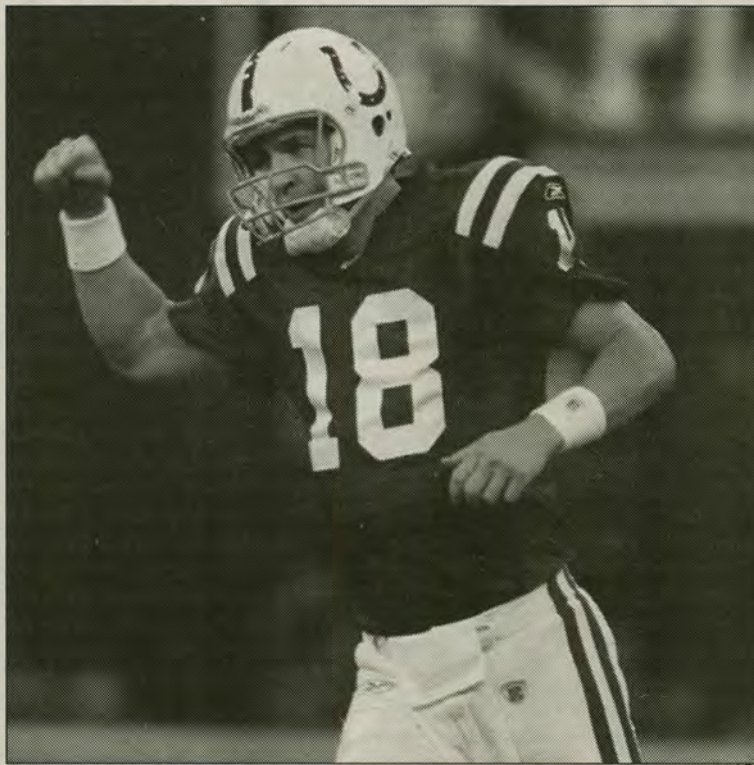
Manning's backup now is Jim Sorgi, a third-year player out of Wisconsin.

On Monday, Dungy was more concerned about cornerback Nick Harper's sprained left ankle than Manning's injury.

Harper left during the first

*"From everything I hear, it's going to be O.K."*

**Tony Dungy**  
Colts coach



Indianapolis quarterback Peyton Manning celebrates a two-point conversion pass in the Colts' 38-34 win over the Patriots Sunday.

half of the AFC championship game and didn't return. Dungy said he was uncertain whether it was a high ankle sprain or a bas-

ketball-variety sprain he sustained by rolling the ankle. If it's a high ankle sprain, it could take four to six weeks to recover.

NCAA RECRUITING

# Recruiting evolution explored

*High school coaches protest technology's new role for prep stars*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — College recruiting in the high-tech world presents its share of new challenges for high school coach Bill McGregor.

"You have a boy sitting in class," McGregor said. "And the next thing you know he's getting distracted because he's getting a text message from a college recruiter."

McGregor, coach at perennial powerhouse DeMatha High School in Hyattsville, Md., also could do without the proliferation of recruiting services, combines and Internet sites that doggedly track players' performances.

"Right now I have a player who's rated as the seventh best junior in the country," McGregor said. "Who in the world ever designated him as the seventh best junior in the country? And now, does he have to live up to that reputation? Does he have to pretend that he is the seventh best junior in the country? What happens when he drops a pass next year? What happens when he doesn't make a 40-yard run in every ball game? I think what's happening is the pressure is being unduly transferred to the boys in a situation where they don't need it."

McGregor spoke Monday at a meeting of the Knight Commission, a group that promotes reform in college sports. McGregor said it was "ludicrous" that college coaches — whose phone calls and in-person visits are strictly limited — are allowed to text recruits as often as they want. A proposal to restrict text messages was defeated at the NCAA convention this month, although there are plans to introduce a new measure that would ban all electronic communications except e-mail and fax.

"In the old days, I would control the recruiting," said McGregor, who has been at DeMatha for 25 years. "All the correspondence came through DeMatha."

Banning text messages can be done with a vote and a stroke of the pen, but another challenge raised Monday would be more difficult to solve. The Internet has unleashed an explosion of both over-promotion and harsh critical analysis of high school prospects — and not everything posted is accurate.

The industry has grown to the point that the most influential recruiting Web site, Rivals.com, is expecting 75 million page views this year, according to Bobby Burton, who runs the site. Burton has more than 85 employees, including 25 solely devoted to gathering information on high school football players.

"I didn't start the ranking system," Burton said.

NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Duke holds onto early lead, tops Vols

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Abby Waner scored 24 points and top-ranked Duke remained undefeated after storming out to a 19-0 lead and holding on to beat No. 4 Tennessee 74-70 on Monday night.

The Blue Devils started the year 20-0 for the second straight season and got victory No. 20 by handing Tennessee only its 17th loss in Thompson-Boling Arena, which opened in 1987.

Early on it looked as if could be the worst loss ever for the Lady Vols in their home arena, but Tennessee (17-2) rallied from as many as 21 points down in the first half to tie it at 48 with 10:48 remaining.

Duke then ran its lead back to nine, but Tennessee kept chipping away and made the final minutes tense for both sides, especially the large and raucous orange-clad crowd.

Lindsey Harding scored on a drive with 1:37 left to put Duke ahead 70-63, but Tennessee went 2-of-4 at the foul line and Candace Parker scored to cut it to 70-67.

The Lady Vols' last chance came after Alberta Auguste hit a 3 with 6.1 seconds left to cut it to 72-70, and they immediately fouled Harding. She made both free throws to ice it.

Duke is one of only nine teams to win in Thompson-Boling and only the fifth of those to win more than once.

Harding added 21 for Duke while Wanisha Smith had 15. The Blue Devils were 14-of-15 from the foul line. Tennessee was only 8-of-17.

Candace Parker led the



Tennessee guard Shannon Bobbitt, left, bothers Duke guard Abby Waner in the first half of Duke's 74-70 win over the Lady Vols Monday at the Thompson-Boling arena in Knoxville.

Lady Vols with 22 points and 10 rebounds, but was 1-for-7 from the foul line. Alexis Hornbuckle added 19 points and Sidney Spencer had 13.

Duke came into the game with the top field-goal defense in the country, holding teams to 30.3 percent. Tennessee shot 29.7 percent in the first half and finished at 36 percent.

The Blue Devils improved to

7-0 against ranked teams this season. They took over No. 1 in the rankings after beating then-No. 1 Maryland 81-62 at home on Jan. 13.

The win tied Duke with No. 2 North Carolina with the longest nonconference victory streak at 33. The Blue Devils and the Tar Heels are the only remaining unbeaten teams in Division I.

Duke's dominance spoiled a

special atmosphere in the arena. Coach Pat Summitt and her players took unprecedented efforts to encourage students and other fans to attend the game. They made announcements in the campus cafeteria and Summitt made her plea in TV commercials.

Duke has won three straight over Tennessee, including last year's 75-53 win in Durham.



## NFL

# Pittsburgh hires Minnesota coordinator Tomlin

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Mike Tomlin didn't realistically expect to become the Pittsburgh Steelers' coach so early in his career, with so little experience as an NFL coordinator and at such a young age.

He knew it, too, although the 34-year-old Vikings defensive coordinator was excited when the Steelers called two weeks ago and offered an interview. In Tomlin's mind, jobs like this go to Hall of Fame-caliber coaches, the kind of men he has looked up to since he became a coach 12 years ago.

"I'm somewhat of a football historian, and I've got a great deal of respect for those who came before me," Tomlin said Monday after being hired for the job formerly held by Bill Cowher and, before him, Chuck Noll.

"I'm going to try my best to provide a shoulder for those who come after me to stand on," he said.

That calm self-assurance, strong personality, and a preference for Steelers-style basics — a strong running game and a nasty defense — persuaded Pittsburgh to offer him a four-year contract worth about \$2.5 million annually. Tomlin is the 16th coach in the franchise's 74-year history and its first

black head coach.

"I'm still coming to grips with what that means," Tomlin said.

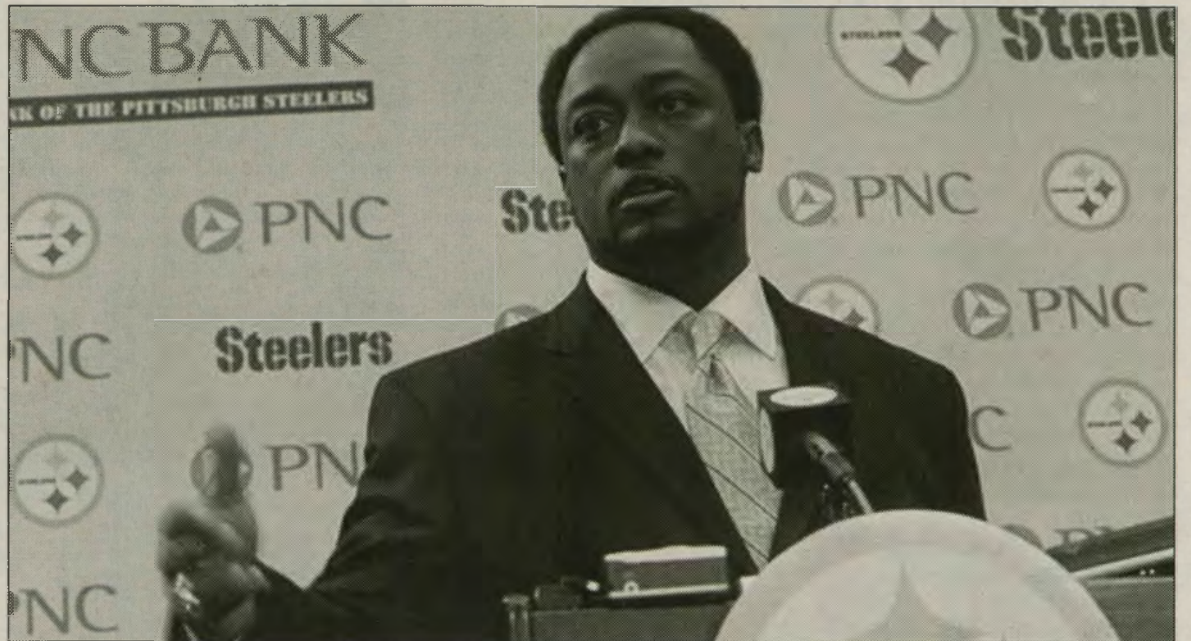
For those who wonder if he might have used a few more years as a coordinator before becoming a head coach, Tomlin said: "I can't worry about concerns other people might have. I've been hired to do a job here and I intend to do it at a high level."

Not many Steelers fans knew much about Tomlin before Cowher resigned Jan. 5 — and, in a rare bit of candor by team president Art Rooney II, the Steelers say they didn't, either. But Tomlin quickly convinced them during a pair of three-hour interviews he was ready for the job.

During those interviews, Rooney couldn't help but be reminded how another 34-year-old coordinator with similarly thin experience convinced the Steelers in 1992 he was ready to be an NFL head coach.

"I hate to make comparisons with Bill Cowher, but there were some similarities," Rooney said. "It's fair to say that when we looked at a guy who was 34, we said that this guy is down our list. He was probably a long shot when we began the discussions."

Not for long. Steelers assistants Ken Whisenhunt and Russ Grimm were seen as the clear



Former Vikings defensive coordinator Mike Tomlin addresses the media Monday after being named the first black head coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers. AP

favorites when the search for only the third Steelers coach in 38 years began, but that changed when Tomlin began interviewing. Whisenhunt was hired by Arizona without waiting to see if the Steelers would choose him.

"The one thing that set him apart was his character, his personality — the more we talked with him the more comfortable we got," Rooney said.

"He's an impressive young man. Get to spend some time with Mike, and you come away feeling like this is a special person."

The man who gave Tomlin his first coaching job, former VMI coach Bill Stewart, was convinced of that when he persuaded the former William & Mary wide receiver to join his staff the year Tomlin graduated from college.

"He was born to coach," said Stewart, now the quarterbacks coach and special teams coordinator at West Virginia. "He is going to be a great, great, great coach in the NFL."

Tomlin and the Steelers wouldn't seem to be a good fit. The Steelers have been the NFL's strongest advocate of the 3-4 defense since Noll installed it in 1983, and they draft players to suit that scheme.

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## CLUB SPORTS

# Hockey, bowling have key matches

## Women's team splits with Northwestern

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's women's ice hockey club closed its Joyce Center action for the season this weekend by earning a split with Northwestern Sunday morning. The Irish

dropped the series opener Saturday evening, 3-2, as they ran into an outstanding Wildcat goalie. Down 2-0 after the first period, the Irish's Lauren Beuke scored the only goal of the second period, despite the team playing shorthanded through five penalties. Ashley Bozell knotted the score at 2-2, with an assist from Margaret

Knoedler in the third, but the Cats responded and closed the game with a strong defensive effort.

On Sunday the Irish peppered the Northwestern goal throughout the first period, but the score remained 0-0 heading into the second period. Beuke again put the Irish on the board, assisted by Katie Burns and Sarah Williams. The scored held up until the final 1:46, when Northwestern tied the game. However, with 27 seconds left in regulation, Burns found the back of the net on an assist from Annie Tilton.

## Bowling

Seeking a break from the cold, Notre Dame's bowling club journeyed to the Las Vegas Shootout, finishing 33rd among 40 teams. Jim Talamo paced the club with a 182.5 average for his five games, while Van Koppersmith rolled a 205 and a 202 on the tournament oiled alleys, the lone Irish bowler to break 200 twice.

Dan Martin, Nick Manieri, Kim LaVigne and Allison Klein rounded out the Irish squad in the field of 267 entries from across the country. Talamo finished 68th and Koppersmith 82nd in individual standings.

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# Big East

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one road win under their belts against Seton Hall. But overall this season, the Irish have struggled outside of Indiana, with their only other road win coming with a 60-59 victory at Valparaiso.

"I think it will be a nice change for us to go on the road, have a chance to get a road win," McGraw said. "I think that'll help our NCAA Tournament resume, but they are three very, very good teams."

But going into the Al McGuire Center and coming out with a win has been difficult this season. The Golden Eagles are a perfect 8-0 in front of the home crowd, scoring 75.5 points per game.

"It's a hostile environment. We just want to stick together as a team and play our game," Allen said. "We don't want to feed into the fans — their fans — we just want to go out there and play together and have each other's back."

The Golden Eagles are led offensively by a trio of players averaging double figures — guard Krystal Ellis with 19.3 points per game, forward Christina Quaye with 15.7 and forward Danielle Kamm with 10.6.

Ellis has caused McGraw the most thought — the sophomore shoots 47.1 percent from the floor and 38.2 percent from beyond the arc.

"Krystal Ellis is their best player," McGraw said. "She's really improved from last year, she's playing really well, she's a good shooter she can drive the ball, and she's just an all-around really good player."

But Marquette is not the only team on the court with a productive guard. Charel Allen — recently named Big East Player of the Week — averages 15.4 points per game overall, and over 20 against conference opponents.

In the front court, Quaye and Kamm lead the Golden Eagles on the glass, averaging 6.4 and 5.7 rebounds per game, respectively. This pair outrebounded opponents by 6.4 boards per game and has 58 blocked shots this season.

"Their inside player Quaye — she's a really tough matchup because she can run the floor and shoot threes but she can also score on the block, shoot a little quicker than our posts and runs the floor a bit better," McGraw said.

The Irish have not prepared specifically for Marquette, choosing rather to tweak potential shortcomings in their own game, mainly on the defensive end. The main defensive focuses remain defending the three-point shot and team rebounding, according to McGraw.

Despite facing a much stronger opponent on paper, McGraw is confident about her team's chances tonight. With a strong start to its Big East schedule, Notre Dame has already exceeded preseason expectations of an 11th place Big East finish.

"We're peaking right now," McGraw said. "We're right where we want to be, right where we need to be. We're in great shape. We're now back to the underdog role; we haven't really had that in a while because we've been playing some teams we thought we should beat."

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Irish coach

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Irish guard

# St. John's

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want it to. We know we'll get there eventually."

The last two times the Irish played on the road, against Georgetown Jan. 6 and against Villanova Wednesday, Notre Dame fell behind early. Against the Hoyas at the Verizon Center in Washington, D.C., the Irish found themselves down 29-9 in the first half.

The Wildcats didn't quite display that kind of dominance, but they did lead by as many as 13 in the first half.

"We haven't done a good job of matching the home teams' intensity when we're on the road," Irish forward Rob Kurz said.

Guard Colin Falls said Notre Dame can't afford an early deficit against the Red Storm.

"We're going to have to play hard right from the first tip," he said.

Irish coach Mike Brey rejected the idea that Notre Dame's struggles have to do with playing on the road. He gave credit to Villanova and Georgetown.

"They're NCAA Tournament level teams and they beat us in two areas — transition defense and the offensive boards," Brey said.

Brey predicted that getting back on defense and boxing out will continue to be important areas for the Irish against the Red Storm.

St. John's is just 2-4 in conference so far this season, but it comes into Tuesday's game having defeated Syracuse 64-60 Sunday.

The Red Storm are led by senior forward Lamont



DAN COOPER/The Observer

Irish forward Luke Harangody goes to the rim over Alabama center Yamene Coleman on Dec. 5. Notre Dame won the game 99-85.

Hamilton (13 points per game) and junior guard Avery Patterson (12.1 points per game).

In addition to the two-game road losing streak, the Irish will also look to end a three-game losing streak at the Garden, all in Big East tournament games. The Irish haven't met St. John's in New York since the 2003-04 season.

The last Irish win in Madison Square Garden was a 65-64 win over West Virginia in the first round of the 2004 Big East tournament. Then a freshman, Falls hit a 3-pointer with 15 seconds left to give Notre Dame the victory.

Despite the lack of recent success, playing in New York has a special feel for the Irish, Falls said.

"The Garden, that's the basketball Mecca of the world," Falls said. "I wish I could play every game there. It's just a lot of fun, knowing how many people played there before you and just the people that have been in there."

"There's definitely a mystique about the building that's really fun to play in."

Tonight's game will tip off at 7:30 p.m., and it will be shown on ESPN regionally.

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## Allen

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Player of the Week.

"In high school, maybe [I had a better week than this]," Allen said after Saturday's game. "I'm feeling really confident and my shots are falling."

Those shots will need to continue falling if Notre Dame (13-5, 4-1 Big East) hopes to put together another 2-0 week as it prepares for road games against No. 17 Marquette and No. 7 Connecticut — the only teams ahead of the third-place Irish in the Big East — tonight and Saturday, respectively.

"We want her to continue being aggressive in shooting the ball," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "She's really just stepped up her game."

Despite her recent brilliance, it isn't likely Allen will be forced to put the team on her back to give the Irish a chance. McGraw has been pleased with the improvements of her squad as a whole in recent weeks, and is confident with the how the Irish have been playing.

"I feel like we really have somebody different step up every game and we have someone who's going to do it [again]," she said.

For instance, last week, freshman point guard Melissa Lechlitner recorded 14 assists without turning the ball over once, which McGraw joked was "certainly a record for Notre Dame point guards" Saturday.

In Saturday's game, Lechlitner also added a career-high 18 points and pulled down six rebounds.

McGraw went on to commend senior point guard Tulyah Gaines and freshman guard Ashley Barlow for their play last week, as well the platoon at center of junior Melissa D'Amico and freshman Erica Williamson.

"When you combine their scores and rebounds it's about a double-double every game," McGraw said.

Notre Dame's play as of late and its current place in the Big East stands in stark contrast to how the Irish were predicted to play given their preseason rank. Still, the Irish will be playing the role of underdog in back-to-back games, something they have only done twice this season, in a 67-58 Dec. 6 win over No. 12

Purdue and in a 78-54 loss at No. 4 Tennessee Dec. 30.

McGraw believes Notre Dame still has something to prove heading into this week.

"I think any time you play a team where you are the underdog, you have a chance to gain some respect, and that's what we're thinking about," she said.

In each of the last two games, Notre Dame put together a complete and dominant performance. However, in each of the last two games, Notre Dame also played an inferior opponent — Syracuse is 2-5 in the Big East and 8-12 overall, while St. John's is 1-5 in the conference and 5-12 overall.

As a result, tonight's game against Marquette and Saturday's matchup at Connecticut will show if Notre

Dame can put a complete game together against a good team they way it did against Syracuse and St. John's.

"We are playing with a lot of confidence, but you don't get any points for coming close," McGraw said.

Last week, the Irish started to reach their potential. This week, they will show how good they really are.

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## Hughes

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mitted to Irish coach Charlie

Weis at the beginning of December, and the addition of Hughes would give Notre Dame its second-straight two-deep running back recruiting class. In 2006, the Irish signed current freshmen James Aldridge and Munir Prince. Aldridge had 37

rushes in seven games last season for a 3.8 yards-per-carry average. Prince saw action in 10 games but had only 15 attempts for 21 yards.

Hughes would be a good complement for Allen because the two have different statures and running styles, Frank said.

"I think Robert would be a big pickup for this class," Frank said. "They got the smaller, speedier back in Armando Allen ... but Robert brings a little more pack and power to it."

Frank said Hughes reminds some scouts of LenDale White, the former Southern California running back who split carries with the Trojans' Heisman Trophy winner Reggie Bush.

And Frank said that if

Hughes commits to Notre Dame, Wilson may reconsider his commitment to Illinois and give the Irish one more shot.

Notre Dame currently has 18 verbal commitments for the Class of 2011, including three who have enrolled early — Allen, quarterback Jimmy Clausen of Westlake Village, Calif. and cornerback Gary Gray from Columbia, S.C.

"There's still a number of very good players out there that Notre Dame is recruiting," Frank said. "Whether they

get them is another question. The athletic department at Hubbard High School did not return calls from The Observer Monday.

### Notes:

◆ Frank said members of the Notre Dame coaching staff likely would meet with Ransey, N.J., defensive end Justin Trattou within the next few days after the highly-ranked lineman visited Florida last week. Trattou committed to Notre Dame in June, but Frank said the Irish coaching staff may be worried that the 6-foot-4, 250-pounder would rescind his commitment and join the Gators instead.

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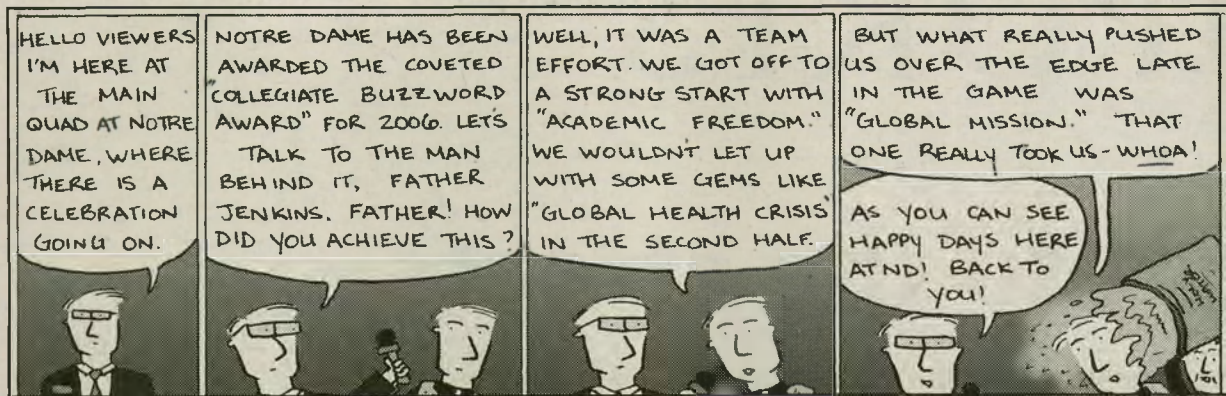
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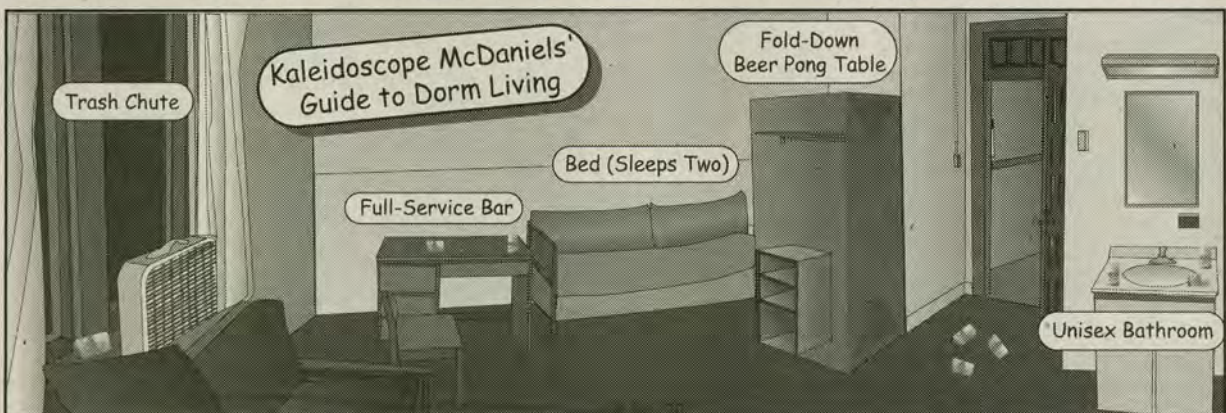
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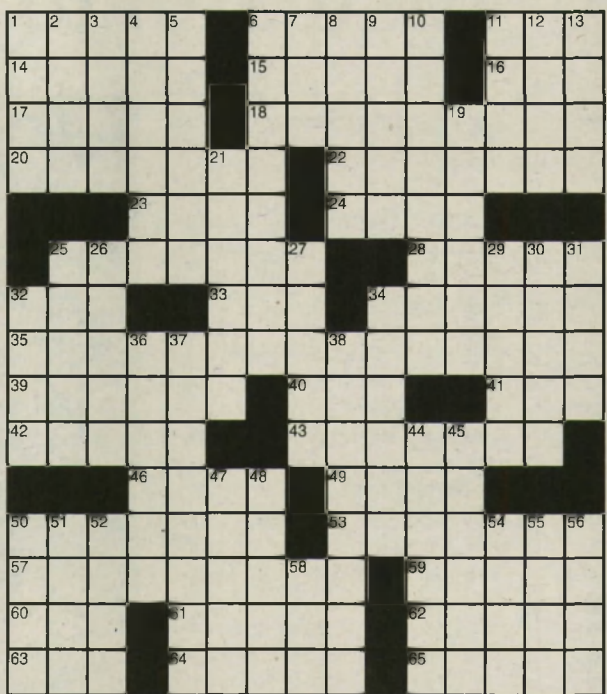
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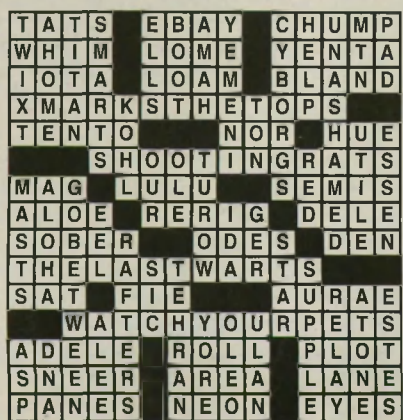
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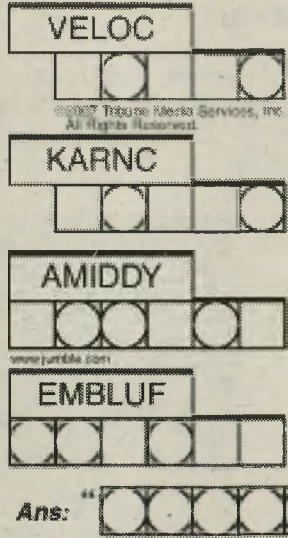
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## ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Taking it to the streets

*ND prepares itself for 3-game road trip*

By JAY FITZPATRICK  
Sports Writer

When Irish guard Charel Allen was asked Tuesday about the difficult stretch quickly approaching, coach Muffet McGraw reminded the junior that "Marquette is the next game."

McGraw has kept her team focused on the task at hand as Notre Dame (13-5, 4-1 Big East) travels to Milwaukee today to face off against the No. 19 Golden Eagles (17-2, 5-1) tonight at 7 p.m.

Following the game at Marquette, the Irish will continue the road trip to No. 5 Connecticut and No. 25 Pittsburgh.

The Irish have played well so far in the Big East — with only one loss to South Florida in overtime — but will face their first real test against the Golden Eagles. So far in Big East games, the Irish have won three games at the Joyce Center against Cincinnati, St. John's and Syracuse and have

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ALLISON AMBROSE/The Observer

Irish guard Charel Allen attempts to drive past Syracuse guard Cintia Johnson on Saturday. Allen had 25 points and 10 rebounds in Notre Dame's 83-55 win over the Orange.

*Allen to play major role for Irish this week*

By ERIC RETTER  
Associate Sports Editor

Charel Allen needs to bring her best game this week.

Not that she doesn't already have it. The Irish junior had her two most productive games of the season last week, scoring a career-high 31 points and adding six assists Jan. 16 in an 83-65 win over St. John's and following it with a 25-point, 10-rebound game in Notre Dame's 83-55 win over Syracuse Saturday. In the two games, Allen was 25-of-39 from the floor, including a 14-of-19 performance against St. John's. Because of these performances, she was named the Big East



Eric Retter

Associate Sports Editor

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## FOOTBALL

# Star recruit ready to decide on Notre Dame

By KEN FOWLER  
Sports Editor

Star Chicago running back Robert Hughes is expected to announce his college choice today, and Notre Dame is hoping to pick up another premier tailback.

Hughes is a 5-foot-11, 228-pound bruiser and is listed as running the 40-yard dash in 4.6 seconds. After delaying his decision from earlier this month, Hughes is expected to choose either Notre Dame or Illinois at a 6 p.m. CST announcement at his high school.

The Illini, under second-year coach Ron Zook, have made significant progress in recruiting this year, nabbing several big names despite their 2-10 record. Zook has beaten Notre Dame for two high-profile

recruits already this year — Washington, D.C., wide receiver Arrelious Benn and Chicago defensive end Martez Wilson.

Mike Frank, who covers Notre Dame recruiting for Irisheyes.com, a member of the Scout.com network, said he is not sure which school Hughes will select.

"As far as which way he's going to go, I really don't know," Frank said. "He's been really quiet and hasn't talked to many people."

The product of Hubbard High School played in the U.S. Army High School All-American game in San Antonio Jan. 6 and was an All-State tailback as a junior. He eclipsed 1,000 yards in his first three seasons at Hubbard, located on Chicago's South Side.

Miami-area prospect Armando Allen verbally com-

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Irish aim to end road woes

By CHRIS KHOREY  
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame has accomplished a lot this season. But so far, it hasn't won a true road game.

Although the No. 21/22 Irish are 14-0 at home this season, they are just 2-4 away from the Joyce Center and have yet to win on an opponent's home floor.

Notre Dame (16-3, 4-2 Big East) will try to change that tonight when it faces St. John's (11-8, 2-4 Big East) at Madison Square Garden in New York City.

"We're looking forward to getting our first true road win," Irish sophomore forward Zach Hillesland said. "We're going to come out and attack even if it doesn't start the way we

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VANESSA GEMPIS/The Observer

Notre Dame guard Jonathon Peoples dribbles around a defender against South Florida Sunday. The Irish won the game 82-58.

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