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Students respond to rape allegations

Students respond with their opinions on the recent rape allegations following a letter to the Editor questioning the priorities of the student body.

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BONE MARROW DRIVE



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Senior Michael Flannery gets a blood sample taken at the Bone Marrow Drive in LaFortune Tuesday. The drive was held in memory of Brione Clary, Conor Murphy and Miranda Thomas, three members of the senior class who died of cancer, and aims to find a bone marrow match for the father of Notre Dame junior Ann Gurucharri, who has been diagnosed with myelodysplasia.

Professor elected head
of human rights groupBy KIFLIN TURNER
News Writer

Once a political prisoner in his native country and now a progressive leader working to preserve universal human rights, Juan Mendez, professor of law and director of the Center for Civil and Human Rights at Notre Dame, was elected president of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) marking a new chapter of Mendez's life-long commitment as an advocate of human rights.



Mendez

His impressive record of investigating human rights violations began when Mendez began representing political prisoners under the military dictatorship of Argentina when he was to become a victim himself of governmental persecution. Mendez was tortured and imprisoned for

more than a year before he was expelled from his homeland.

"When I came to the States I started at the beginning, trying to work on behalf of friends that have been left behind in custody who disappeared and then that turned into a professional career," said Mendez.

Mendez began his 15-year career at the Human Rights Watch and eventually worked on its general counsel in 1994, where he helped to establish it as the world's leading private organization monitoring human rights violations. A year later, he became executive director of the IACHR in Costa Rica from 1996 to 1999 and served as the Commission's vice president.

And now as president-elect of the IACHR, Mendez admitted that his accomplished position will pose a challenge, but he's ready for all that his title entails.

"I think it's a great challenge having a complicated year — with the challenge of terrorism and the United States' responses to it, but

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ND and SMC students
plan D.C. demonstrationBy LIZ KAHLING
News Writer

Fifty students will converge on the nation's capital this weekend with thousands of other activists as part of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's National Mobilization for Global Justice. Organized through student organizations Peace Coalition, Pax Christi, Progressive Student Alliance and Amnesty, the students will be focusing on peace and policy alternatives.

The demonstrations coincide with the spring meeting of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund but organizer Lindsay Updike stresses that peace will overshadow these institutions' meeting as the primary focus.

"Notre Dame students are going to add our voices in concern for U.S. foreign policy in the Middle East, Afghanistan, South America and all over the world. We want to show our support for peace, economic and social justice and let it be known

that we have hope for peace," Updike said in regards to the goals for the weekend.

Student organizer Megan Renner added, "People from all over the country are converging in Washington this weekend to call for a world truly free of terrorism — where peace, social justice and human rights are given top priority."

Students will be going and coming in different shifts throughout the weekend, the first shift leaving Thursday night while another shift will be leaving Friday evening. Several demonstrations will be going on at once, protesting the war on terrorism, U.S. military aid to Israel, U.S. involvement in the war in Colombia, the School of Americas and IMF and World Bank policies. However, the main event will take place Saturday with a peace rally on the National Mall.

Updike says that participants went through nonviolent training that was lead by

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Advisors question double majors

By LAUREN BECK
News Writer

As more students choose to double major within the College of Arts and Letters, advisors have begun to question students' motives in an attempt to curb the trend and to ensure students receive a well-rounded liberal arts education.

Recent statistics showed that approximately 40 percent of students in the College of Arts and Letters double majored. Advisors said anecdotal evidence suggested this number was constantly increasing, estimating that half of all Arts and Letters students pursued more than one major.

Dottie Pratt, dean of the College of Arts and Letters, attributes the inclination toward double majors to the large number of students who come to Notre Dame with Advanced Placement credit and therefore have room in their schedules to fulfill the requirements for two majors. She said she has noticed an increase not only in the number of students who double major, but also in

the number of students who choose to add one or more minors to their double major or even to triple major.

"Students with 30 or 40 Advanced Placement credits can do two or three majors, but I still make them think through what they really want," said Pratt.

Other students believed a double major would afford them more opportunities in the career world. Anita Rees, assistant director at the Career Center, said she did not think a double major made a student more or less attractive to potential employers, but she warned against choosing a double major for the wrong reasons.

"Sometimes students cannot decide on one major, and they end up spreading themselves so thin they don't get a good grasp on either major. Employers want to see breadth and depth," she said.

Arts and Letters Dean Mark Roche cited three different types of students interested in a double major. The first type of wanted to pursue a passion in the College of Arts and Letters, but assumed he or she also

needs to study another more practical discipline.

"We welcome majors who choose Arts and Letters from that perspective, but I think they are insufficiently aware of how marketable they are as liberal arts students alone," said Roche.

The second group of students chose a foreign language or literature as a second major. While Roche did not discourage these students either, he said, "It is a mistaken perception on their part that language is simply a tool rather than a discipline itself."

Roche said he was not a strong advocate of the third category of double majors — students who developed an interest in several disciplines and intended to use a double major as a second credential — but said he would not legislate against it.

Junior Lauren Willoughby said she decided on a political science and theology double major because she was interested in both areas. She said the political science department initially discouraged her,

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INSIDE COLUMN

Yay for T.A.'s

Here's to you, pretentious, low grade-giving TA. What a comfort to know that there's someone like you, bitter low grade giving pretentious TA, to help us along on the path to philosophical, or scientific, or psychological, theological, literary, or mathematical enlightenment.

You have all the best personal qualities of a high school substitute teacher, my best friend's annoying older siblings, and the aunt who's always trying to wipe stuff off my face with her spit covered finger. You are academia's hormonal adolescent, and you know if you had only been born fifty years earlier you would have thought of all this stuff that everyone else already did. Here's to your fashion sense that reflects both a charming frugality and detachment from reality. Here's to your love life, or, well, lack thereof, to your brooding, and to your simultaneous inferiority and superiority complexes.

Bitter low grade giving pretentious TA, you say, "I will be here for 11 more years if I'm lucky, still trying to get to the bottom of this thingtheory that no one cares about and that I realized nine days ago, neither do I. I am doing this because I was that kid as an undergraduate who just never quite got into the social swing of college but had a hopeless and enormous crush on every professor, of either sex, that I ever had. You legacy, lethargic, spoiled, shallow, stupid excuse for anything resembling intelligent.

"While I am still working on my thingtheory, you, you snout nosed, binge drinking freak, will have spent a few years doing volunteer work in a South American orphanage, will have been promoted in Wonderfulto, Incorporated, to senior vice president, popped out three or four kids and finally settled in Fabulousville with Mr. Perfectandcoolineveryway. I will have spent approximately seven hundred million hours researching this thingtheory no one cares about, and will have come to the conclusion that no one cares about it.

Meanwhile, all my connections to anything resembling reality will have faded away into the night, leaving me in a cold, sterile, emotionless bubble. I will still be bitter, and I still will not have an office. I will never get a real job and I will never learn English. I am holding all the cards in this relationship, and, yeah, it's a power trip. Don't step to my green pen, I will cross out your entire paper. Go ahead, try me. I can tell if you wrote this last night. I need therapy but I can't even afford to eat anything but Ramen."

"Don't you know the Nietzsche-Hemingway-Plato-Darwinian theorem? Don't you know ANYTHING? Ah, perhaps I should explain this in terms you can understand, but Dr. Seuss didn't get around to writing any books about Calculus. Haven't you read Finnegan's Wake in its Swahili translation? It's the only way to really get the intricate nuances of it. The historical turmoil of that atomic despotism erotic demonic government clearly ended the Renaissance and formed the basis for the Freudian interpretation of Communism. And, you see, it was of course the manifest existential political stream of consciousness heat transfer integrations that produced the feminist theory of reciprocity. God does not exist, and I'm not sure about deodorant. Duh, ya dum-mie."

"And your paper sucks."

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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
◆ Concert: Notre Dame Chorale and Chamber Orchestra, Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 8 p.m.	◆ Film: "Apocalypse Now Redux," Carey Auditorium, Hesburgh Library, 7 p.m.	◆ Lecture: "The Pope and the Black Madonna: The Icons of the Solidarity Revolution," Jan Kubik, Auditorium, Hesburgh Center, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.	◆ Performance: "The Life of Galileo," Bertolt Becht, Washington Hall, 7:30 p.m.

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Tensions grow between UC-Berkeley and high school

BERKELEY, Calif. Last year when Dave Smith, a University of California-Berkeley student, asked several high school students wandering around his fraternity house to leave, he ended up with a split-open chin and seven stitches.

When Paolo Pellizzer, a Berkeley High School sophomore, attended fraternity party last year expecting to have a good time, he ended up taking care of a friend with a broken collarbone who got punched in the chest by a fraternity member.

The strained relations between fraternities and the East Bay high school students who attend their parties is a decades-old problem. From both sides, the casualties and tension seem to be growing, solutions seem scarce and the police are frustrated.

Since February 2001 there have been



25 reported incidents of violence or vandalism at fraternity parties. Seven were linked positively to Berkeley High students, Inter-Fraternity Council Risk Manager Glen Ryan said. For high school students from surrounding East Bay cities, Berkeley fraternity parties present "something to do."

"In Berkeley there is nothing positive for us to do on weekends," Pellizzer said. "Until the city sets up something for us to do on a Friday night, like a dance or something that doesn't cost a lot of money, we are going to keep going up to the frats."

Other high school students said they hear about the parties from school-wide rumors.

"The older kids who go to the parties come back and say you can get free drinks and drugs if you just walk in and act like you know what you're doing," Berkeley High freshman Alex Perez said. "But if you mess with us, we mess with you — you don't mess with us, we don't mess with you. It's that simple."

Delta Upsilon President Kevin Kemper said the violence erupts when high school students are asked to leave the parties and refuse.

YALE UNIVERSITY

Yale to fund students in drug rehab

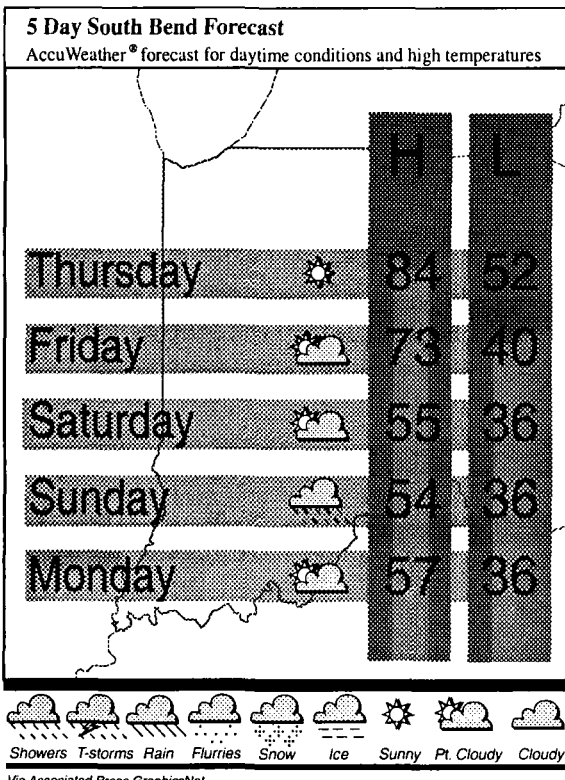
PHILADELPHIA Yale University recently implemented a new policy that will allow students convicted of drug-related offenses to receive institutional financial assistance if the student undergoes rehabilitation. Yale is now the fourth school to adopt this kind of policy, joining Swarthmore and Hampshire Colleges and Western Washington University. Yale's decision stems from the Higher Education Act of 1998, in which there is a stipulation that any student convicted of a drug-related offense could have federal financial aid revoked until that student had completed rehabilitation. Federal law requires drug offenders applying to or studying at any university in the country — and hoping to be given financial aid — to acknowledge any prior offenses when filling out their yearly Free Application for Federal Student Aid forms. Few students took notice until 2000 when the Bush administration actually began enforcing the stipulation. Currently, any drug offender applying through FAFSA for federal assistance will be automatically rejected or have the option to receive aid after completing a drug rehabilitation program.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

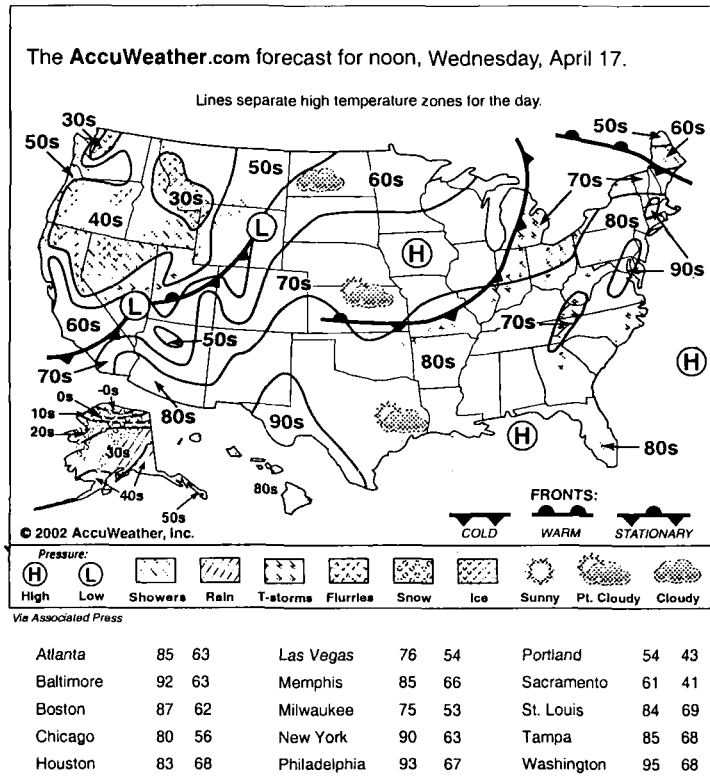
Students attend Israel rally in D.C.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. Roughly 100 Harvard University students joined more than 100,000 individuals from around the nation and the world Monday at the Israel Solidarity Rally in Washington, D.C. Organizers said it was the largest pro-Israel rally held in the United States since Israel became a state in 1948. The gathering wrapped around the Capitol, as people congregated to hear nearly four hours of speeches from prominent individuals, including former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and New York Gov. George Pataki. Harvard graduate and undergraduate students filled 85 of the approximately 320 seats on two planes chartered by the Combined Jewish Philanthropies for those in the Boston area. The organization gave students a subsidized rate of \$140 for the round-trip, which left Monday morning. The plane trip was advertised by Harvard Hillel. In addition, a 50-person bus organized by Hillel — costing students only \$10 — left from Rosovsky Hall late Sunday.

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also the turmoil and the interruptions of democracy in Venezuela — and that means that the Inter-American Commission is called upon to offer solutions on a short-term basis," said Mendez.

When asked about his decision to commit his life's work to investigating human rights issues, Mendez preferred to regard his work as more of a rewarding opportunity rather than a job that demanded great obligations and responsibilities.

"I actually think it's a privilege — I've been very blessed at the possibility of working full time on human rights," said Mendez. "I don't think it's any sacrifice, on the contrary, it's like being given a pass to do what you want to do," he said.

Established by the charter of the Organization of American States, the Commission hears complaints filed by individuals against any one of the member states that belong to the OAS. The case is then processed under procedure after the Commission makes a decision in favor of the petitioner or of the state.

The case then goes on to the Inter-American Court of Human rights where the Court passes judgment on the laws of the country in relation to its compatibility and inconsistency with human rights violations, according to Mendez.

"We educate civil society as to how to defend their own rights," said Mendez. "We try

to disseminate the doctrine of human rights and try to educate the people as to how they should apply human rights terms in their daily work," he said.

The Commission also dedicates its energy to investigating specific issues concerning women, children, indigenous peoples and prisoners. Mendez noted that his current area of concentration is focused on migrant issues.

Mendez identified reforms regarding financial funding as being necessary to improving the effectiveness of the internal system of the Commission and the Court.

He cited that the OAS budget allots less than 4 percent in human rights protection.

"At this point we have an incredible amount of work and really pathetic levels of support so we could function a lot better if we could convince the states to put the money where their mouth is," said Mendez. "In spite of those meager resources we are constantly called upon to work on very difficult cases to protect those who cannot protect themselves," he said.

Along with an increase in monetary support, Mendez also pointed to reforming the potentially problematic structure of the Commission and the Court as an organization without a binding legal force to implement its decisions.

"It's not only a matter of money, it's also a political commitment by the states to back the decisions of the Commission and the Court," said Mendez. The Commission derives its authority from its decisions that serve as recom-

mendations.

States are obligated to follow the decision, but compliance often resides on the pressure of the international community to carry out the judgment.

"Also, dealing with effectiveness is to find a mechanism that which if a state decides not to comply with our recommendations and the decisions of the Court, that there would be effective measures enforcing them," said Mendez.

Political commitment on the part of the states is the major component in continuing to recognize the authority of the Commission and the Court, Mendez said.

"Right now, fortunately we don't have a great problem with non-compliance. Countries by and large abide by what we say they should do," he said. "I think if we could come up with a better system of monetary compliance with the decisions of the Court and the Commission with a similar system in Europe then it works much better."

Protecting the freedom of expression by enforcing the democracy clause of the convention is a primary goal of the Commission said Mendez.

"Countries not only have to respect human rights, but they have to organize themselves in a way that goes hand in hand with respect to human rights — and that's democracy," said Mendez. "Suspensions of democracy are a human right violations in and of themselves," he said.

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Civil rights lawyers plan to sue Ashcroft

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Alleging widespread abuse of hundreds of Middle Eastern men detained on immigration violations after Sept. 11, civil rights attorneys said they planned to sue Attorney General John Ashcroft and other U.S. officials.

A draft copy of the class action lawsuit, expected to be filed in federal court Wednesday, alleges the plaintiffs have been subjected to unreasonable and excessively harsh conditions.

The Center for Constitutional Rights in Manhattan released the draft Tuesday, saying the suit would be the first filed on behalf of the detainees, some still behind bars.

"There's no explanation for why they're being held," center attorney Barbara Olshansky said. "These people are being treated worse than criminals."

In some cases, detainees were "placed in tiny, windowless cells for over 23 hours a day," the suit alleges. "Many

class members have suffered physical and verbal abuse by their guards. Some were badly beaten."

Spokesmen for the Justice Department and Immigration and Naturalization Service would not comment before the suit is filed. But INS spokesman Bill Strassberger said the government insists on a high standard of treatment for detainees.

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Barbara Olshansky
attorney for Center for
Constitutional Concerns

The draft complaint cites several examples, including the case of Asifur-Rehman Saffi, a native of Pakistan, who was arrested at La Guardia Airport in New York on Sept. 30

after his tourist visa expired.

Although an immigration judge ordered him to be deported, the lawsuit alleges he was jailed until March and locked in an isolation unit. Guards allegedly subjected him to strip searches and "severe beatings to the point of unconsciousness," the suit said.

The lawsuit asks a judge to issue an order protecting the detainees' due process rights and to appoint a monitor to oversee their treatment.

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STUDENTS-ONLY SHOW

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prominent nonviolent advocate David Cortright, a peace studies professor. The meeting was an attempt to talk about possible situations ahead of time. With 30,000-40,000 people expected to be present there is always a possibility that things may get out of control or the police may get nervous and start spraying tear gas. Participants were taught to stay calm and to refrain from pushing through crowds as well as preventing violent protester from attacking the dignity of the movement.

In preparation for the rallies students had the opportunity to attend several "teach-ins" led by Notre Dame professors to discuss some of the debates at the upcoming protests. The teach-ins were an opportunity for professors to provide historical background and a forum for issues to be raised in order for students to decide on issues they felt strongly about and to prepare them for debate.

"The teach-ins are basic training for students to discuss pressing issues in an intellectual, sophisticated way. It provides a link between what they have learned in the class and relating that to the world," said David Ruccio, an associate Economics professor, who last week addressed the IMF/WB programs.

Ruccio commented that in the last five years he noticed a new generation of economic activists at Notre Dame looking to integrate their class experiences with the Catholic faith and in the end raise critical issues instead of ignoring events outside Notre Dame.

Greg Downey, an assistant professor of Anthropology, enlightened students on the negative image many countries have of the U.S. He used the recent crisis in Argentina as an example in which the IMF, a financial institution dominated by U.S. leadership and thinking, as playing a significant role in the unraveling of the coun-

try. Downey sees these discussions as necessary to students who are entering the workforce because many do not recognize the other points of view in the international world.

"The Notre Dame student body is incredibly, ethically motivated but they sometimes don't recognize the connection between the clothes they wear, the shoes they buy and the politicians they vote for. They disconnect their daily lives with these issues and become unwitting participants of extreme, unfair, destructive and immoral systems without being aware," Downey said.

Ruccio expressed concern that this year's rally is not as focused as in years past, protesting a "laundry list" of grievances, but he admits that the protest could surprise the organizations much like past rallies in Seattle, Wash. and Genoa, Italy.

Downey said that after Sept. 11, there was a "muting of objectivity" in protests against the IMF and other financial institutions. But he insists that people "can't not protest. Many would like things to remain as business as usual but we must speak up."

The Washington Post reported that police are also training not only for the demonstrators but also for possible terrorists who may attack the demonstrators. Participants have expressed some concern that radical anarchists might be present but they are more worried that the term "terrorist" will be equivocated to mean demonstrators.

There will be a send-off rally on Thursday in front of Rep. Tim Roemer's office in South Bend before the first bus heads to Washington, D.C. at 8:30 p.m.

There is still room for additional participants. However, anyone planning on going must attend a mandatory meeting at the Center for Social Concerns from 4:30-6 p.m. The group is asking \$15 per person to cover van costs.

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saying that if she focused on two subject areas she would not receive as well a rounded education. Willoughby remained adamant in her decision and said both departments then supported her. She said declaring a double major has worked to her advantage.

"I have two sets of classes I can take. Both departments save spaces for me, so it's easier to get into classes," she said.

Pratt, however, said a double major could put students at a disadvantage because students filled their schedule with courses in their major and neglected to explore several disciplines.

"Students get so locked into their progress toward graduation that they don't explore different subject areas. I'm concerned there will be many students who look back and wish they had taken other courses," she said.

Pratt did cite some positive aspects of a double major. "Some courses work together well," she said. "They build on each other and create a vast system of knowledge, or a diverse group, such as economics and Chinese, makes sense at the end."

But overall, she feared that students became too frustrated when courses did not count toward a major, rather than assuming they could benefit from general knowledge and exploration.

Josh Kaplan, associate director of undergraduate studies in Political Science, also worried students would deprive themselves of a well-rounded education. He said he advised students to evaluate their reasons for choosing a second major.

"Many students think that two majors are better than one,

that it will impress people, or that they need to have officially declared a government major to take our courses," said Kaplan.

He refuted those assumptions, saying a second major was not necessary to secure a job and that students could take several government classes without declaring it a second major.

Sophomore political science major Katie Browning followed such advice when she contemplated a double major. She rejected the idea after meeting with a dean who advised her

"In an environment like this, there is a temptation to double major. When everyone has a lot on their plates, it seems like the thing to do."

Katie Browning
student

only one major was necessary. Browning said she was pleased with her decision.

"I now have the liberty to take courses that are interesting to me, to take more courses in

political science and to take classes in other departments without taking all the introductory courses required for majors," she said. "I can also spread out classes in my major so I can concentrate on them more."

Recently, more advisers have encouraged students to take an approach similar to Browning's.

"I don't tell students not to double major, but I do make sure they have the correct information and it is in their best interest ... that they understand the trade-offs involved, they are comfortable with the decision, and that there are not other courses they want to take," said Kaplan. "Double majoring might mean that there are other courses that students are

not able to take that might serve them well to get a well-rounded education."

Roche prompted students to consider one of the University's interdisciplinary minors instead of a second major.

"We have a large number of minors, and they are a good fit for a Catholic university interested in the integration of knowledge across disciplines. They develop a track of organized studies more coherently than a second major would," he said.

Students and faculty members alike did not anticipate the

number of double majors would decrease soon. "In an environment like this, there is a temptation to double major," said Browning. "When everyone has a lot on their plates, it seems like the thing to do."

Advisers said they would continue to operate according to an unofficial policy of encouraging students to seriously consider both the advantages and disadvantages of a double major.

Roche speculated this might lead to a gradual decrease in double majors. Although he did not foresee Notre Dame adopting a policy similar to that of a university like Princeton, which forbids double majors entirely, he said he could imagine some future changes.

"I could see a situation like this: Students must declare a first major, and they must give coherent rationale for choosing a second," said Roche.

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Who Knew?

There is an on-line guide to dorms.

On its Web site, the Office of Residence Life and Housing provides helpful information on each residence hall.

Go directly to the site at:

<http://www.nd.edu/~orlh/housing/undergraduate/index.htm>

What the site offers:

- Floor plans for each dorm.
- Profiles and photos of each dorm.
- Information on modular furniture and elevated beds.
- Dates and policies related to room picks and moving in and out of dorms.

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Attention

Scene is now accepting applications for the bi-weekly "Two Tickets For" column.

Applicants should be a male/female team and should submit a sample article to Scene Editor Spencer Beggs at scene@nd.edu.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Jordan's Queen Rania blasts Israel:

Queen Rania of Jordan accused Israel on Tuesday of creating a "human rights catastrophe" in the West Bank and suggested Mideast peace is impossible without a strong U.S. mediating role. "Prime Minister (Ariel) Sharon is after some suspects that he believes are terrorists, but instead he is terrorizing the lives of many, many people," she said.

Vatican will address clergy scandal:

The extraordinary summit of U.S. cardinals and Vatican officials on clergy sex abuse will likely focus on speeding up the removal of errant priests, a leading American bishop said Tuesday. Also on the table at next week's meeting: implementing a binding national policy that could standardize how U.S. bishops handle charges of molestation against priests.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

GOP pushing Alaskan oil drilling:

Senate Republicans used the threat of an Iraqi oil embargo and the lure of jobs to try to boost support for oil drilling in an Arctic wildlife refuge as the Senate neared a vote on the issue. Alaska's two senators on Tuesday introduced the long-awaited amendment that would lift a congressional ban on drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge's 1.5 million-acre coastal plain in northeastern Alaska.

Human smuggling ring interrupted:

Undercover immigration agents broke up a ring that charged up to \$50,000 to smuggle illegal Chinese immigrants into the United States, prosecutors said Tuesday. Seven people were indicted after paying agents nearly \$220,000 for papers listing 18 aliens as crew members for a shipping line to ensure they wouldn't be turned away when they flew to the United States. The immigrants will be deported after they testify.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

36-year-old running for governor:

A southwestern Indiana man who became the youngest mayor in state history is seeking the Republican nomination for governor in 2004. Randy Harris, Petersburg's three-term mayor and a 36-year-old Evansville native, announced his candidacy Friday at the Pike County Lincoln Day dinner. Harris, a Republican in largely Democratic Pike County, acknowledged that his background as a small-town mayor could leave him open to attacks that he is unprepared to lead the state.

Market Watch April 16

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NASDAQ:	1,816.79	+63.01
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S&P 500:	1,128.19	+25.64

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NASDAQ-100 INDEX (QQQ)	+4.17	+1.41	35.20
INTEL CORP (INTC)	+4.98	+1.40	29.51
APPLIED DIGITAL (ADTX)	+21.11	+0.19	1.09

ITALY



Agence France Presse

Afghanistan's interim President Hamid Karzai, right, is welcomed by Italian Foreign Deputy Minister Margherita Boniver upon his arrival near Rome. Karzai is in Rome to bring former Afghan King Mohammed Zahir Shar home.

Afghan king prepares for return

Associated Press

ROME

Afghan leader Hamid Karzai arrived in Rome on Tuesday to escort the nation's deposed king back home after nearly three decades of exile in Italy — and nearly one month after security reasons forced the former monarch to delay his trip.

In his home country, Mohammad Zahir Shah is due to convene a grand council, or loya jirga, in June that will select a new transitional government for Afghanistan until elections can be held 18 months later.

Many believe only the 87-year-old king will be able to add legitimacy to the council, given the bloody tribal rivalries and war that have shaken the country since Zahir Shah's was ousted nearly three decades ago.

The king is widely seen as a unifying force, and Karzai hopes his presence will encourage reconciliation between ethnic groups that fought the Taliban and the Pashtuns, the largest ethnic community which formed the majority of the Taliban.

Zahir Shah, a Pashtun, was originally to have returned March 23, but

the trip was delayed. The Italians have responsibility for his safety until he reaches Kabul, the capital, and said at the time the trip was too dangerous. There were reports then of plans to assassinate the king. Other accounts held that tribal rivalries were behind the postponement.

A senior U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Tuesday there now are no known specific threats to the king.

"I'm tremendously glad to take him back," Karzai told reporters after stepping off the plane at Rome's Ciampino airport with a delegation that

included several ministers. "The new Afghanistan welcomes all its sons, including the former king of Afghanistan, a fatherly figure, a symbol of unity."

Zahir Shah and Karzai, who held talks Tuesday with Italian Premier Silvio Berlusconi, are scheduled to head back to Afghanistan late Wednesday. The former king has lived in Italy since he was ousted in a palace coup by his cousin in 1973.

"People are waiting for the old man to come. It will help bring peace to the country," Yusuf Nuristani said in the Afghan capital of Kabul.

Israeli soldiers preparing prison

Associated Press

KETZOT, Israel

Israel has reopened a sprawling desert detention camp made infamous during the first intifadah to hold some of the thousands of Palestinians it has rounded up during its current West Bank sweep.

Associated Press reporters saw bustling signs of activity at the Ketziot camp in the southern Negev Desert: Spotlights beamed down and soldiers stood in guard towers, civilian and military trucks entered and left and bright new Israeli flags hung

limply in the baking desert air.

An Israeli military official, speaking on condition of anonymity, confirmed Tuesday that Israel reopened the camp this week.

Ketziot held thousands of Palestinians during the first Palestinian uprising, from 1987-93. Prisoners were held 26 to a tent, exposed to searing heat in the summer and bone-chilling cold in the winter. The camp was closed in 1996.

The army declined to comment on the reopening. The Palestinian security chief in the West bank, Jibril

Rajoub, said reopening the prison would only increase Palestinians' desire for freedom from Israel's control. "The Israelis will discover that they are wrong in their belief that opening this prison ... will break the determination and the unity of the Palestinian people," he said.

In the current offensive, in its 19th day Tuesday, Israel has detained 4,258 Palestinians including suspected leaders of the Palestinian uprising, the army said.

The army said 387 of the thousands detained this month were previously known terror suspects.

Sex abuse alleged at school

Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J.

A former choirboy said in a lawsuit that he was molested almost every day by the choir director at a famed boarding school where several other employees have also been accused of sexually abusing students.

John Hardwicke Jr.'s lawsuit, filed last year, said choir director Donald Hanson began molesting him beginning in late 1970. Hardwicke alleges other adults at the school also molested him.

Hanson ran the choir from 1970 to 1982 at the nonsectarian boarding school. Its fifth-through eighth-grade students have been invited to sing for presidents and a pope.

The New York Times reported Tuesday that a dozen alumni from the 1960s to the 1980s said they were abused by school employees including Hanson, another choir director, a headmaster, teacher's aides and a cook.

Hanson and his predecessor eventually resigned after admitting to molesting boys under their supervision, according to documents the school had submitted in court cases.

Donald Edwards, the school's vice president for institutional advancement, issued a statement Tuesday saying the school would not discuss the lawsuit. The statement said the molestations allegedly occurred more than

20 years ago and that the school now screens employees rigorously.

A letter dated March 28 from school president John Ellis said students are encouraged to speak up about abuse and that the school has a hotline handled by a psychologist.

The Times also reported Tuesday that John Shallenberger, a patron of boys' choirs who was a convicted child molester, recommended people for the school to hire, including Hanson.

At least three other lawsuits have been filed over the past 14 years alleging sex abuse at the school dating back to the 1970s, the Times reported. Two were settled, including one for \$850,000 involving a student who said he was sodomized repeatedly by Hanson in 1980.

The newspaper said Hanson could not be located for comment. His attorney, Richard Howell, said Hanson declined to comment.

The alumni interviewed by the newspaper did not accuse Shallenberger of molesting them, and former school officials said they were unaware of Shallenberger's half-dozen criminal convictions between 1958 and 1998 on charges related to child molestation.

Shallenberger is now a fugitive from Pennsylvania for failing to answer 1998 charges that he violated a court agreement by trying to organize a choir trip without divulging his criminal record.

GERMANY

Terror trial disrupted in Germany

◆ Outburst begins trial of five Algerians charged with plotting attack of French market

Associated Press

FRANKFURT

The trial of five Algerians charged with plotting to attack a French market opened Tuesday but was briefly disrupted when one defendant angrily shouted, "My God is my defender."

While four defendants tried to shield themselves from a TV camera in the courtroom, 31-year-old Lamine Maroni launched into a tirade, reciting Quranic verses and urging his co-defendants not to testify. "You want to kill me, baby, don't you?" Maroni said as he was escorted out. "I'll stay still when you chop my head off."

The session opened with prosecutors reading a summary of the 150-page indictment charging the men with belonging to a terrorist organization, fabricating explosives with the intent to kill, falsifying documents and committing various weapons violations.

If convicted, they could face up to 10 years in prison.

The defendants, Aeurobi Beandalis, 26, Fouhad Sabour, 37, Salim Boukari, 30, Samir Karimou, 33, and Maroni did not enter pleas.

Responding to fears of

reprisals by the al-Qaida terror network, German authorities heightened security for the trial, including surveillance cameras and roadblocks around the courthouse.

Prosecutor Volker Brinkmann accused the defendants of conspiring to form a terrorist cell "based on a common creed, common origins and military training in camps" in Afghanistan.

The trial is expected to take up to a year.

According to the indictment, the defendants used fake American Express and Visa credit cards duplicated from accounts in Britain to buy chemicals in Germany to make explosives. In less than a month, the five rang up more than \$7,000 worth of bills.

A search of two Frankfurt apartments where four of the defendants were arrested in December 2000 turned up 44 pounds of a chemical that can be used to make explosives, as well as homemade detonators, a hand grenade, submachine guns, dismantled rifles, revolvers and ammunition.

Authorities say two of the defendants rented an apartment in the German city of Baden-Baden, 40 miles from Strasbourg, France, where they allegedly planned to bomb the market.

A homemade video found in the apartment detailing the market, which sits in front of one of Europe's oldest cathedrals, led authorities to establish what they believe to have been the group's target.

The trial is expected to expose the extent and goals of Islamic terror cells in

Europe. U.S. authorities believe the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States were carried out by an al-Qaida cell that had been operating in Germany.

None of the defendants in the Frankfurt

trial are connected to Sept. 11, but one man entered a statement disassociating himself from the attacks on the United States.

"I learned with horror that these attacks were carried out in the name of my religion," Beandalis said in a written statement read by his lawyer. "On that same day, I distanced myself and started my life anew."

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Aeurobi Beandalis
defendant

Waagner denied mistrial

Associated Press

CINCINNATI

A man suspected of mailing fake anthrax letters to abortion clinics nationwide was denied a mistrial on federal firearms and car theft charges Tuesday and scolded by the judge for arguing with a witness on the first day of testimony.

Clayton Lee Waagner, 45, is representing himself on the stolen car and firearms counts. The charges are separate from a federal investigation into whether Waagner mailed the fake anthrax hoax letters nationwide.

Waagner compared himself to abolitionist John Brown, a militant anti-slavery organizer who used violence to promote his cause and was hanged in 1859.

"John Brown had a large reward on his head. So did I," Waagner said. "Within months of his death, John Brown was considered not a religious fanatic but a man who ushered in a right cause ... parallels were there."

Federal Prosecutor Robert Behlen objected to the comparison, but U.S. District Judge Susan Dlott allowed Waagner to go ahead.

Waagner was one of the FBI's most wanted fugitives before his arrest at a copy shop in Springdale, Ohio, on Dec. 5, about 10 months after he escaped from an Illinois jail.

Waagner, of Kennerdell, Pa., pleaded innocent in March to a six-count indictment charging

him with illegally possessing a handgun and a rifle as a fugitive and as a convicted felon, and possessing a stolen handgun and a stolen car.

Prosecution witness Irvin Moskovitz testified Tuesday that Waagner stole a handgun from him in March 2001, while he was helping out at a friend's gun store in Breinigsville, Pa. Moskovitz couldn't identify Waagner from an FBI photo spread but pointed to Waagner in the courtroom.

Kelly Johnson, a federal public defender advising Waagner, requested a mistrial on Waagner's behalf, saying prosecutors had not provided information about the photo spread.

Dlott denied the request and admonished Waagner for arguing with Moskovitz during cross-examination.

Federal authorities have said Waagner mailed more than 550 hoax anthrax letters to women's reproductive health clinics in October and November. He has not been charged in that case. In media interviews, Waagner has said he wanted to scare clinic operators.

The federal government also has charged Waagner with bank robberies in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, a car theft in Mississippi and possession of a pipe bomb in Tennessee.

Waagner was sentenced to 30 years in prison for interstate transport of a stolen vehicle, illegal possession of a firearm and the jail escape.

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ISRAEL

Troops enter more zones

Associated Press

JERUSALEM Israeli forces moved into a West Bank town and four villages near Jerusalem on Tuesday — a day after Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said operations were winding down. But he appeared to soften his resistance to dealing with Yasser Arafat.

Palestinians condemned the new incursions, and Secretary of State Colin Powell appeared ready to settle for something short of a formal cease-fire.

In Bethlehem, heavy gunfire could be heard near the Church of the Nativity on Tuesday evening, with flares and gray smoke visible over the compound. The army confirmed sporadic gunfire exchanges but said its forces had not entered the compound. One injury was reported, a Palestinian in nearby Beit Sahour hit in the leg by a stray bullet outside his house.

The United States has called for a full and immediate end to the Israeli military campaign, which Israel says is aimed at dismantling Palestinian militias behind deadly attacks on civilians.

Sharon said his forces would leave the cities of Jenin and Nablus — sites of the worst fighting — but vowed to keep Israeli troops in Ramallah and Bethlehem.

Sharon, who has been pressing for a peace summit including heads of Arab nations, said Tuesday he expected the Americans to call such a summit for June, perhaps in the United States.

In an interview with Israel TV, Sharon said a June summit was likely, and appeared to drop his opposition to involving Arafat, the Palestinian leader. Sharon said that who represents the Palestinians is "a secondary issue."

"It's not important to me which of them will be here," he said.

Sharon had previously said that he no longer considers Arafat a peace partner and

other leadership should be found.

Mohammed Dahlan, the Gaza security chief who's been involved in past Israeli-Palestinian negotiations, said the Palestinians are open to a summit.

"We don't want a conference to cancel 10 years of negotiations, but a conference to achieve a solution based on two states, Palestine and Israel," he said.

Israel has reopened the Ketziot desert detention camp to hold some of the 4,250 Palestinians rounded up in its 19-day offensive, army officials confirmed Tuesday. More than 300 prisoners have been moved to the tent camp, according to the Israeli human rights group B'Tselem.

Thousands of Palestinians were held at Ketziot in the 1987-93 Palestinian uprising. The camp became notorious for its conditions, including searing daytime temperatures and biting cold at night; rights groups alleged prisoners were abused there.

Israeli Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, speaking on Israel Television, said Israeli forces should be repositioned just outside Palestinian-controlled towns by early next week.

Maj. Gen. Aharon Zeevi, the head of military intelligence, said even if troops pull out, it may not be for good.

"We're not afraid to go into the cities to get the terrorists," he said. "If we have to go in again, we'll go in again."

Israel said several members of the militant group Hamas were captured Tuesday in the West Bank. Since the military offensive began March 29, the army said, nearly 400 wanted Palestinians have been detained.

The military said forces were searching for suspects and weapons in the Askar refugee camp near Nablus as well as in the West Bank villages of Hirbet Beit Hassan, Luba Sharkiyeh, A-Ram and Anata.

Park Service sets watercraft rules

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Personal watercraft such as Jet Skis will be permanently banned at three national seashores and two national recreation areas beginning next week, the National Park Service said Tuesday.

The decision to close the five sites to the motorized watercraft followed a lengthy review and extensive public comments, said Deputy Director Randy Jones.

Eight other areas in the national park system will be temporarily closed to the watercraft Monday but could be reopened if the individual parks should adopt rules for their use.

That leaves eight park system areas open to the high-speed motorized craft this summer, except for temporary closures beginning Sept. 15.

Additionally, Jones said, sites where personal watercraft are allowed can restrict them to certain areas.

The eight areas open to watercraft were granted extensions this summer under a court-approved settlement a year ago with Bluewater Network. The San Francisco-based environmental group sued to ban the watercraft throughout the federal parks system. Sixty-six water bodies overseen by the National Park Service earlier were declared

off-limits to the watercraft.

Personal watercraft are high-speed, gas-powered vessels, usually less than 16 feet in length, operated from a sitting, standing or kneeling position. They are commonly known as wet bikes or by their trademarks such as Jet Ski, Wave Runner or SeaDoo.

Still open to personal watercraft this summer are Amistad National Recreation Area, Texas; Curecanti National Recreation Area, Colorado; Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Oklahoma; Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area, Montana and Wyoming; Lake Meade National Recreation Area, Nevada and Arizona; Lake Meredith National Recreation Area, Texas; Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Utah and Arizona; and Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area, Washington.

The five sites where personal watercraft are scheduled to be banned permanently on Monday are Cape Cod National Seashore, Massachusetts; Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, Pennsylvania and New Jersey; Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, Indiana; Cumberland Island National Seashore, Georgia; and Whiskeytown National Recreation Area, California.

The eight being made off-limits temporarily are Assateague Island National Seashore, Maryland and Virginia; Big

Thicket National Park, Texas; Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Michigan; Fire Island National Seashore, New York; Gateway National Recreation Area, New York and New Jersey; Gulf Islands National Seashore, Mississippi and Florida; Padre Island National Seashore, Texas; and Cape Lookout National Seashore, North Carolina.

But environmentalists said Tuesday they worried the Park Service might ease up at three national seashores — Gulf Islands, Padre Island and Cape Lookout — because it is now requiring superintendents in those three areas to reconsider their recommendations last year that watercraft should be banned. The areas had been on the list for permanent closures Monday.

A hearing on a watercraft industry suit challenging the ban is scheduled for Wednesday before U.S. District Judge John D. Rainey in Victoria, Texas. The suit alleges the Park Service arbitrarily discriminated against a class of park users, personal watercraft users.

Environmentalists have argued that personal watercraft damage the landscape and wildlife and create risks to public safety risk.

The House Resources Committee approved a bill to postpone the prohibition until December 2004, but the Senate has not taken up the legislation.

House protects clergy tax breaks

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Since 1921, ministers, priests and rabbis have received a tax break for the costs of their housing. Members of Congress acted Tuesday to block a federal court from invalidating that exemption.

Lawmakers are seeking to protect the so-called parsonage exemption before the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco has an opportunity to decide whether the tax break passes constitutional muster.

Legislation that would clarify the exemption and pre-empt that case passed the House 408-0, moving on to the Senate.

Rep. James Ramstad, R-Minn., said loss of the exemption would cost clergy members

\$2.3 billion over the next five years.

"We cannot allow this important tax provision to fall," Ramstad said.

Rep. Earl Pomeroy, D-N.D., said the exemption was particularly important in rural areas where churches, synagogues, mosques and temples would be less able to compensate for its loss, making it harder to attract clergy.

"A clergy's home is not just his shelter, but a central meeting place for all members of the congregation," Pomeroy said.

Echoed by other sponsors, Ramstad accused the court of "judicial activism at its worst" because the judges were initially asked by the Internal Revenue Service only to determine whether a Los Angeles-area Baptist minister, the Rev.

Richard Warren, had claimed too large a tax deduction for his home.

The IRS, which appealed a lower court decision it lost, contended that Warren was due only \$59,479 under the "fair rental value" principle instead of the \$79,999 tax deduction he had claimed for a home he purchased for \$360,000 in 1992.

Those questions would become moot if Ramstad's bill clears the Senate and is signed into law by President Bush. The legislation actually puts into law the more restrictive IRS practice of allowing clergy to deduct the "fair rental value" of their homes.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tanks and violence will not solve Palestinian conflict

I am writing in response to John Little's April 16 column. I am far from an enraged liberal, but I am not about to sit back and let someone say that Palestinians should be happy with what they have. Indeed the efforts at Camp David failed; Arafat was not about to give that much ground both figuratively and literally. He is the leader of a people and he is their representative.

One cannot expect him to take a deal that is unfair to him. It is even more ridiculous to say that because he did not take that deal, he should get nothing instead. There is no way that the Palestinians are going to be happy with the situation right now. They have nothing, and they are facing genocide at the hands of the Israeli army.

Comparing the Palestinians to the Native Americans is almost humorous. I particularly enjoyed his hypothesis of a descendant of a Native American entering the bedrooms of our children and murdering them. The analogy almost works except that the Native Americans had their land taken away 200 years ago and the Palestinians had their land taken away after the war in 1948 and 1949. There are still people alive in Palestine who remember what happened during their lifetime. The conflict between modern day Native Americans differs in that it is almost too far in the past to rectify the situation. This is not the case with Palestine. The wrongs can still be corrected.

Mr. Little, I do believe the Palestinian citizens have the right to wage war when their police forces and military are being slaughtered execution-style and their leader is being held up in a bombed-out building. Are the Palestinians terrorists? Yes. Are the Israelis terrorists? Yes. This cannot be overlooked. America does need to step in and I think we, the United

States, along with the United Nations, have every right to pressure Israel into backing off. What good will come of a sound defeat in the Holy Land by the Israeli army? I can assure you that absolutely nothing will be gained except greater contempt by the Arab nations for Israel and for the U.N. The U.N. exists to protect human rights worldwide. It exists to stop genocide. It exists to bring peace to this world. Allowing the Israeli army to bulldoze homes of innocent citizens and militants alike is allowing the Israeli army to declare war upon Palestinian citizens but now allowing them to fight back.

Mr. Little opens his letter with a statement regarding how terrorism will never lead to political change. I would just like to remind him that our country won its independence with militias and guerilla warfare. Things do change, but it can take longer than desired to achieve these goals.

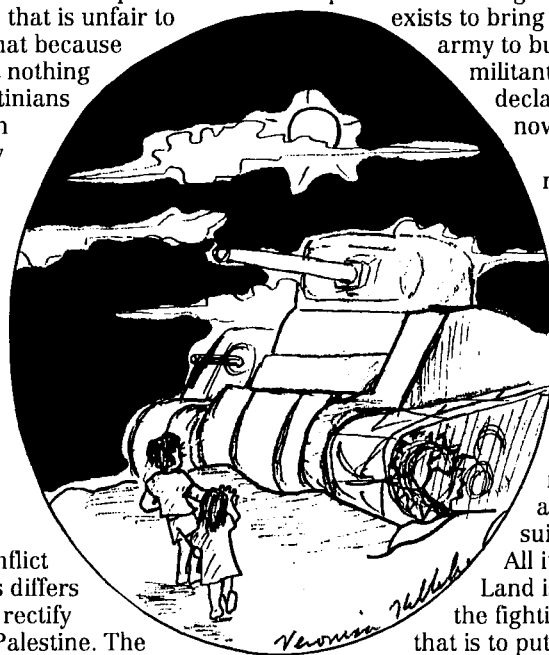
The Israeli government and military is not allowing the Palestinians to even attempt to wage a fair war or to establish a government for that matter. Right now, everything is on the side of Israel and there really is no wonder as to why suicide bombers continue their campaigns. All it would take to bring peace to the Holy Land is a concerted effort by both sides to stop the fighting and the only way to get Israel to do that is to put pressure on them. The conflict needs to be resolved and it is not going to be done by allowing Israel to roll its tanks through Palestinian cities.

Daniel Tyszka

sophomore

Sorin Hall

April 16, 2002



Guarantee equal opportunities to succeed

I am writing in response to the April 16 letter from from members of the Women, Work and Economics Group, "Support Equal Pay for Women and Minorities." I have a question regarding the call to action stated by the authors about "contacting your state representative and letting him or her know you support legislation that works to guarantee pay equity." What exactly is my state representative going to be able to do? Not vote for the next bill entitled "Pay Disparity Renewal Act of 2002?"

The statistical averages referenced comparing various groups of citizens are just that: statistical averages. They have any number of legitimate economic factors that can explain the disparities. Often left unsaid, usually to confuse the issue, is that the differentials are not "de jure" in nature, as paying different groups for the same work is already illegal under any number of laws and regulations.

Rather, the issue rests with "de facto" pay differentials which are due to a range of wider economic and societal factors that are being addressed every single day. The unfortunate historical routing of people into different fields (such as elementary teachers vs. professors, nurses vs. doctors, secre-

taries and laborers vs. executives, engineers and lawyers) because of race and gender due to wider societal issues such as poverty and racism is the cause. However, as our society continues to move towards all people being able to freely choose their careers based upon their ability and desire, while at the same time reducing the unfortunate impacts of racism and poverty, these differentials will decrease as opportunity abounds.

Contacting your state representative to inform him or her that you support "guarantee[d] pay equity" is simply a foolish waste of their time and yours. All reasonable people are against pay inequity, but the economics of a free market make it beyond the purview of your state representatives to guarantee outcomes. What you need to ask of your government representatives is that they support equal opportunities to succeed, as trying to legislate equal outcomes is not the solution.

Mark Wolnitzek

class of '00

April 16, 2002

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"One cannot subdue a man by holding back his hands. Lasting peace comes not from force."

David Borenstein
writer

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rethinking
student unity

In his April 16 letter, Nathaniel Hannan uses what he calls "mathematics" to prove that the majority of students actually support the proposed alcohol and SYR changes. Using some common sense and some more mathematics, it becomes obvious that Mr. Hannan's logic is poor, and his conclusion incorrect.

Let's think about who the changes will actually affect. If a policy will have no material effect on a person's life, he or she will have little reason to sign a petition rejecting it. Seniors, who may care about the future of Notre Dame, will not be materially affected by the changes. Nor will students who currently live off-campus. Some of our student body has already voiced its disappointment and anger by deciding to move off-campus. Essentially, I'm proposing that the only people who will be affected by the changes are non-seniors who live on campus. People who plan to move off-campus also won't be affected, and therefore have little incentive to sign the petition. However, I'll include them in my analysis to counterbalance seniors and off-campus students who did sign it.

In the hall profiles published online by the Office of Residence Life and Housing, we see that total dorm capacity is 6,233. Because of uncommonly high freshman enrollment this year, we know the dorms are full or very nearly so. Of those 6,233 students, the same office statistics show that about 866 of those students are seniors. This leaves 5,367 non-seniors who currently live in dorms. So, some quick division shows us that the 4,063 students who signed the petition constitute more than 75 percent of the affected student body. This, Mr. Hannan, is an overwhelming and non-silent majority.

It would seem clear that student government does indeed represent a majority of the student body on these issues. "Notre Dame administration, take note."

Benjamin Schack
junior
Keenan Hall
April 16, 2002

Support Palestinian cause,
not terrorism

In his April 16 column, John Little claims that to support the Palestinian cause "is necessarily a promotion of terrorism because that is the only method the Palestinians have used to promote their political ends." This is ridiculous. Our president, the United Nations and most of the world support the idea of an independent Palestine made up of pre-1967 war borders. In other words, they support the Palestinian cause. Does this make our president a supporter of terrorism? No. Thus it is possible to support the cause of a people without supporting terrorism.

Mr. Little's analogy of the Native Americans and the land our ancestors took from them is fallacious. This was indeed a tragedy in our history that Little himself announces is wrong, but "hundreds of years" have indeed passed and the idea of getting it back is extremely impractical and will never happen. However, in the Middle East, the situation is entirely different. The Palestinians there were kicked out not hundreds of years ago, but 50 years ago, within the memory of many living today, including Ariel Sharon. To say that the Palestinians claim to their land has "long since passed" and compare it to the hundreds of years the Native Americans have been without their land is absurd.

Israel received reparations from Germany after World War II for the Holocaust and to compensate the Jews who fled their homes and never returned. How can Israel accept this compensation and then refuse to offer a similar compensation to those Palestinians who have experienced some of the same offenses Jews experienced in World War II? Because of events over the past 50 years, a physical right to return is now nearly impossible to implement. Yet Israel has still refused to consider compensation in negotiations.

True, Yasser Arafat made a very unwise decision not to accept the peace proposal at Camp David. But the proposal was not as generous as it was made out to be. Barak, the prime minister of Israel at that time, offered a state divided into three big chunks separated by Israeli settlements and control of a few scattered districts in Jerusalem. In order to compensate the

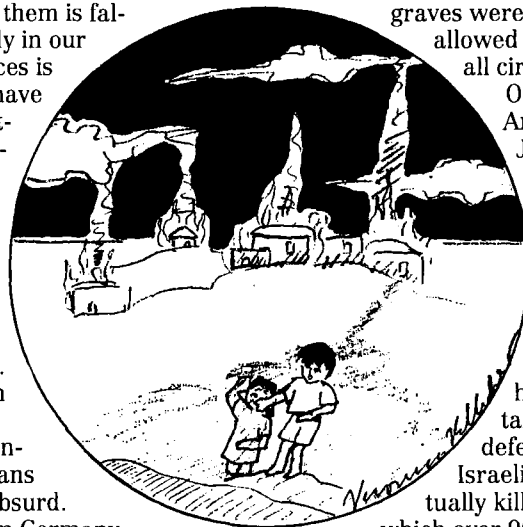
Palestinians for the land Israel would keep, Israel offered a chunk of desert not equal in size or quality to that Israel proposed to keep. Most people would agree a state divided into three chunks and completely surrounded by a huge military force would hardly be considered "free and independent."

Little also dismisses the killing of Palestinian civilians and hints that the "bleeding heart media" is easily duped into believing a dead body is an innocent. Yet in the refugee camp at Jenin, which was recently invaded by the army, no journalists were allowed, especially when claims of summary executions and mass graves were made. No observers were allowed in to disprove this claim, pointing all circumstantial blame at Israel.

One final point: On Oct. 14, 1953, Ariel Sharon led a fighting unit into Jordan. Under his command, Israeli soldiers moved about in a village blowing up buildings, firing into doorways and windows with automatic weapons and throwing hand grenades, killing 69 civilians, mostly women and children. He later claimed he believed that the demolished houses had been empty of inhabitants. In 1982, Sharon, then defense minister, organized the Israeli invasion of Lebanon which eventually killed at least 14,000 people, of which over 90 percent have been estimated to be unarmed civilians.

Sharon was found to be indirectly responsible for the massacre of thousands of unarmed Palestinians in a refugee camp. He was never tried for his responsibility in this, only forced to resign his defense post. Sharon's biography is filled with multiple incidents of indiscriminate use of force against unarmed civilians. I encourage anyone to examine the record and see if Sharon is a "man of peace" as Bush has described him. Truly, if Little considers Arafat a terrorist, then he must necessarily consider Sharon one as well.

Michael Macaulay
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April 16, 2002



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Students respond to rape concerns

Withhold judgment until the facts are known

Someone needs to remind Sarah Edwards that — as of right now — both the University and police are investigating the sexual assault which has taken us all by surprise. Nobody here at Notre Dame condones rape, nor those who commit such irreprehensible actions. It seems, fortunately, that the students are doing exactly what needs to be done: wait. How can anyone have an opinion without knowing the facts behind that fateful evening?

Perhaps we should offer our support to the victim through our prayers and patience. After all, coming out with something like this is, from what I understand, a very difficult situation.

I doubt seriously that our Notre Dame family would harbor sexual predators. If they do, we can protest

it according to the channels open to us — as students have done in regards to the change in the alcohol policy. Notice though, that in regards to the changed policy the administration made a decision and students are reacting. In respect to a rape allegation, it serves neither party to make judgements prior to receiving any information. We have no information.

Rest assured that when details emerge about the rape our community will respond in a manner compatible with the values which our faith has instilled in us.

Memo Tijerina
senior
off-campus
April 16, 2002

Giving strength and courage to the victims

I hope this letter will give a voice to the voiceless. I am a silent supporter of every sexual assault and rape victim. I am speaking so that every victim of sexual assault can find some semblance of comfort knowing that there are countless silent supporters who know that you are not lying and who know that you have made a very difficult and courageous decision by coming forward.

While those who speak against you will seem to possess the only voice to which people listen, know that I and numerous others support you and thank you for making the right decision. You have helped ensure that another Notre Dame woman will not have to endure the same trauma. Thank you.

I have never met you, nor do I need to, in order to know that you are

telling the truth. I believe you and I am so sorry that you had to endure what few can even conceive.

I would give anything to help you. And I promise that I am doing everything I can. You are not alone and there are many people who are here for you. I offer you unconditional support and sympathy.

You are selfless and brave. You will get through this. And every time that you feel strangled and silent, please find solace knowing that I and countless others are behind you, and that you are my hero for what you have endured, for what you stand for and for what you will become.

Erin Kennedy
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Toledo, Spain
April 16, 2002

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Fine dining:
service
without a smile

An honest meal is hard to find, sometimes.

In the world of theme restaurants, hometown cooking has been sold out to gigantic corporations that are able to give their customers the same home cooking in one of their 942 convenient locations nationwide. Between renditions of Happy Birthday from apparently Prozac-enraptured wait staff to French fries shaped like endangered rainforest-dwelling tree lizards, restaurateurs seem to have forgotten the golden rule of serving their patrons: Give them food, leave them alone.

The last adjective any menu should use is "home-cooked." For the most part, true home-style restaurants are hard to come by. The days of the greasy spoon are gone. Where we used to have Dick and Tom behind the plastic counter flecked with gold spots smoking stale cigarettes into and grunting to the game, we now have an overly friendly guy named Jeff, who wears a pressed shirt, red bow tie and lame paper cap. Dick and Tom made my milkshake by hand when I ordered it. And they didn't do it quickly and they didn't serve it with a smile. The way service is supposed to be.

Don't get me wrong; there's a time and place for everything. Nobody really goes to Steak 'n' Shake for the friendly service. It's not like Jeff actually gives his customers some sort of validation. I've always thought that when Jeff makes change for his customers like this:

"That will be \$9.53 please, sir. Why, thank you, sir. I hope your burger was up to our incredibly high standards, which are detailed on the colorful company mandated sign behind me. And how was everything this evening, sir?"

"Fine."

"And \$.47 is your change. Thank you so very very very much and thank you for letting us serve you today, sir."

"Thanks. Bye."

Jeff really thinks this is going on:

"That will be \$9.53 please, guy whom I respect and has mutual respect for me. Why, thank you, my newfound friend and compatriot. Can I ask you a question that indicates my general concern for your well-being?"

"Why, everything was wonderful, Jeff. I am glad to have made your acquaintance because you make me smile with your adolescent enthusiasm for serving calorific liquid desserts and over-cooked meat patties."

"And \$.47 is your change. I, too, am glad we have met and made this lasting bond of friendship — it is my goal in life to bring joy to others by serving them prefabricated drek."

"Jeff, my original plan for this evening was to finish my hamburger and then go home and cut long vertical slashes into my forearms, but you have given me a refreshing outlook on life. I have a reason to live again."

What's missing from restaurants now is the idea that they're there to serve you food, not be your friend. When your choices for lunch consist of the Panda Burger, the Panda BLT and the Panda Pita Wrap, the dining experience actually becomes so cute and cuddly that you just might lose your appetite.

I like the old kind of restaurant. If I wanted a refill, I would ask for one. If I wanted Jeff to tell me about the specials, I would ask him. If I wanted to be entertained, I would go watch Jeff try to get a Prom date.

Honest restaurants don't try to beguile you with tchotchkes on the walls. They don't pretend to like you. They just give you your food and leave you alone.

The opinions expressing in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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Scene Editor

A restaurant

The infamous Fat Shirley's is a South Bend

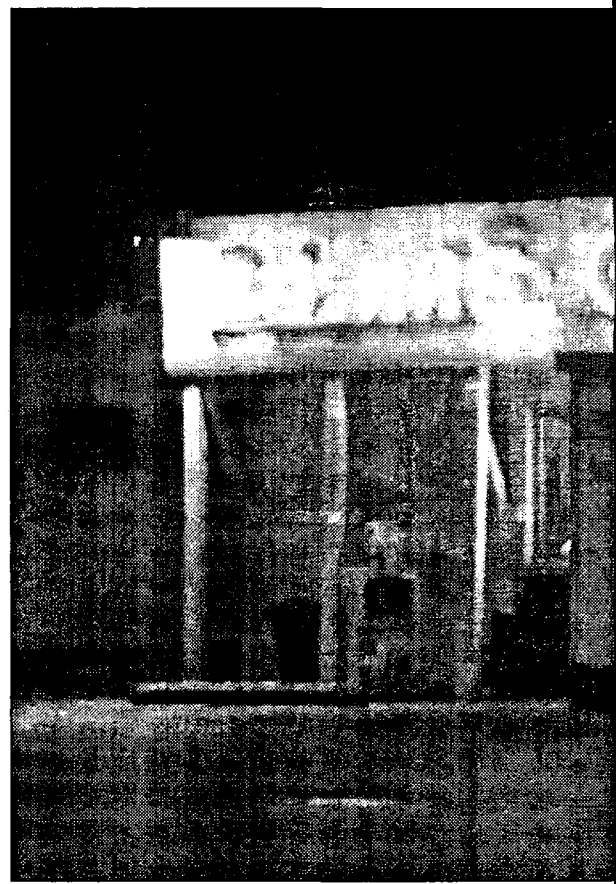
By BOB MASTERS
Scene Writer

You can tell a lot about a place by the cars parked in its lot. An abundance of BMWs and Mercedes-Benzes makes an establishment look snobbish; a place like that is as inviting to a broke college student as Cuba is to democracy. A fleet of Harley-Davidsons and beat up Ford trucks with Confederate Flag mud-flaps in a tavern's parking lot warns a potential patron to expect plenty of whisky, shotguns and barroom brawls. The lot at Fat Shirley's 24 Hour Coffee Shoppe is an enigma.

A worn-down pick-up with a bumper sticker reading "Charlton Heston is MY President" is found itself next to a Honda Civic with an Indiana "Children First" license plate. A few spaces down a blue and white Crown Vic Police Cruiser sits beside a bright red Cadillac. The range of automobiles in its lot serves as a visible reminder of what makes Fat Shirley's so popular: a customer base as diverse as the community they come from.

The common names of the restaurant are just as unique. Your choice of nomenclature reveals as much about your personality as the car you drove there in. Ask a Notre Dame or Saint Mary's student and you may hear it called "Fat Shirley's." A South Bend resident would know it as "The Gag and Heave." The bright red lights on the front exterior wall proclaim the name "24 Hour Coffee Shoppe." Consult a menu or the storefront window sign and you will learn the official name: "The White House Restaurant." The names themselves are unimportant. What matters most is that on the east side of South Bend, at the intersection of Mishawaka Avenue and Twyckenham Drive, within the faded, off-white walls of an aging building, there exists a soul rarely seen anywhere else in the world.

The food at Fat Shirley's is as diverse as the gang of cohorts eating it. The greasy spoon



The White House Restaurant, better known as "Fat Shirley's," has an atmosphere as authentic as it gets.

atmosphere is enough to make Aretha Franklin's Soul Food Café in the "Blues Brothers" blush. Cheeseburgers and fries simmer on the grill next to eggs and bacon at all hours of the day. The menu features favorites with names like "The Trucker's Special" and "The Fat Shirley." Nothing served here is for the weak of heart —



Fat Shirley's flagship dish, the sinfully delicious Double Omelette, which is made with buttered eggs, bacon, ham, green peppers, hash browns and onions and topped with thick sausage gravy.

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rant with soul

icon because it offers hearty food, black coffee and strange company



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Gag and Heave" or "Fat Shirley's," is a restaurant that defines the greasy spoon. The place may be small and dingy, but the

eat the sausage and bacon now and worry about the cholesterol later. Since Fat Shirley's is open 24 hours a day, breakfast is served anytime and it is not unusual to see omelets and scrambled eggs savored long after the sun has set. And of course, nothing on the menu will set you back more than five bucks.

"So much eats for so little money," Tom Rippinger, a Holy Cross College freshman, said. "What more can a debt-overloaded college student ask for?"

Without a doubt the flagship of Fat Shirley's greasy armada is the Double Omelet. A behemoth concoction, it is certainly not for the week-willed or those with a family history of heart disease. A more Puritanical customer would scoff at the idea of buttered eggs, bacon, ham, onions and green peppers beaten and whipped into the breakfast food equivalent of the "Old 96er," the 96-pound steak which gave John Candy so much trouble (and, undoubtedly, heart-burn like no other) in "National Lampoon's Great Outdoors." The enlightened patron, however, realizes that life is too short to count calories and watch waistlines.

"I've been coming here for 31 years, almost daily," Mark Spurrier, a South Bend resident and Fat Shirley's regular, said. "And I haven't had a heart attack yet."

The customers, who come from all walks of life, and the fantastic food are two of the characteristics which make Fat Shirley's great. The main reason the restaurant remains so popular, however, is its heart. As cliché as it sounds, Fat Shirley's is more than just a restaurant. The face of South Bend has changed drastically over the years but one constant has been Fat Shirley's. For many it's a way of life. It is almost as if the restaurant is an extended family member, the beloved aunt who always has a home-made pie

cooling on the window sill or the elderly uncle who is always ready to give a pat on the back. This familial atmosphere is what keeps people coming back.

"You see a lot of people who come in here with their dads and grandfathers," Christine Chamielewski, a regular customer, said. "And the dads and grandfathers came here with their own dads and grandfathers."

The hometown feeling extends even past the customers. The waitresses and staff are perfectly happy to chat with customers, many of whom are old friends. Fat Shirley's transforms itself from a restaurant full of strangers into the family kitchen that is full of old pals and relatives.

"In the old days the owner was always around, always in the kitchen, always with a cigar," Chamielewski said. "He still comes in now and insists on making the doughnuts himself."

Fat Shirley's is the kind of place new fathers escape to drink a cup of coffee at 3 a.m. after a late night in the delivery room. It is the sort of spot where fathers and sons celebrate birthdays; the passage into manhood is marked by the ability to eat an entire Double Omelet and drink black coffee.

An over-worked mother can get a day's repose and let Shirley do the cooking. A weary police officer, fresh from the late night beat, can stop in for a bottomless cup of coffee and a fresh, homemade donut. A factory worker can sit next to a college student at midnight and eat breakfast, forgetting about their troubles for a while. Old pals who have had a falling out can mend fences and make their peace over a plate full of American fries, which are the best ones in town according to the regular customers. The heart of the community pours in through Fat Shirley's doors all day and all night.

night and irritate Shirley."

Fat Shirley's means a great deal to many people. The officer at the end of the counter may see it as an escape from a rough night on the beat. The father with his son may remember when his own father introduced him to the restaurant. The group of friends at the corner may come for the memories of past late nights stolen away inside Fat Shirley's. The elderly couple sharing a slice of pie may be celebrating an anniversary or the birth of a new grandchild. Whatever the motivation for a visit one fact remains constant: Fat Shirley's is a truly unique experience.

"There aren't many places like Fat Shirley's," Andy Callan, an O'Neill Hall freshman and South Bend native, said. "Every time you step in the door you're in for an adventure, whether it be the food or the company."

In a world that suddenly seems more dangerous every day, larger concerns invade our lives. The simple pleasures in life — a strong cup of coffee, a home-cooked meal and unique company to enjoy them in — become all the more precious.

They are like the last few sunny days in October when fall defies winter for one more week before turning into a dreary November or a grown man reminiscing on youthful days playing catch with his old man before time stole his innocence and made him middle-aged old man himself. These frozen moments of pure bliss when nothing else matters but the moment itself are now more poignant than ever before. At Fat Shirley's, they're served 24 hours a day.

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Fat Shirley's is open 24 hours a day and the waitress always welcomes company, no matter how diverse they may be.

NBA

Pacers playoff prayers remain alive

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Once again, the Indiana Pacers did what was necessary for survival. Now they need one more win — and some help from someone else.

Needing a victory to keep their shaky playoff hopes alive, the Pacers got 34 points from Jermaine O'Neal and held on for their fourth straight victory, 99-95 over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Tuesday night.

Ron Artest made several huge plays in the fourth quarter for the Pacers, who nearly blew a 17-point second-half lead and their season along with it.

With the victory, Indiana (41-40) moved into a tie with Milwaukee (41-40) and Toronto (41-40) for the final two spots in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

The Pacers have to win their home finale Wednesday night against Philadelphia to have any chance of making the playoffs for the 12th time in 13 years. The Bucks will play at Detroit and the Raptors will end the regular season at home against the Cavs.

Indiana needs some help to get in. If the Pacers lose or end up tied with either team, the Pacers' season will be over because they lose tiebreakers to both Milwaukee and Toronto.

Cleveland coach John Lucas, whose team played hard but came up short in its home finale, assured Thomas that the Raptors won't have it easy.

After the final horn, the Pacers hurried into their locker room for a score update from Milwaukee. When Ray Allen hit a late 3-pointer to put the Bucks up by 12, Miller had seen enough.

The Pacers, who saved their season by beating Toronto and Milwaukee in the past week, then headed to the airport for the short flight back to Indianapolis, knowing there's at least one more big game to be played.

Andre Miller scored 21 points and Zydrunas Ilgauskas 20 for the Cavs, who rallied in the second half and nearly put an end to Indiana's playoff dreams.

Bucks 105, Raptors 89

The "Big Three" finally lived up to their billing — and just in time.

Behind 24 points from a gimpy Sam Cassell, 23 from Ray Allen and 22 from Glenn Robinson, the Milwaukee Bucks routed the Toronto Raptors 105-89 Tuesday night.

It was the first time in 25 games that the trio surpassed 20 points apiece.

Anthony Mason chipped in 18 points for the Bucks, who inched closer to a playoff berth while preventing the Raptors from

clinching a postseason spot.

The Bucks, Raptors and Indiana Pacers are all 41-40 and fighting for the final two playoff berths heading into Wednesday night's season finales. Milwaukee owns the tiebreaker over both Toronto and Indiana, which beat Cleveland on Tuesday night.

Toronto finishes the regular season at home against the Cavaliers, with the Raptors having won six straight at the Air Canada Center. Indiana is at home against Philadelphia, and Milwaukee, which has lost 11 straight on the road, visits Detroit.

The Bucks have spent the last two months in a self-inflicted nose dive thanks to injuries, an inconsistent offense and festering infighting.

Despite 21 points each from Keon Clark and Morris Peterson, Toronto lost for just the second time in 13 games since All-Star Vince Carter went down for the season with a knee injury.

Pistons 103, Nets 98

Ironically, playing well on the road has given the Detroit Pistons the homecourt advantage for at least two rounds of the playoffs.

Chuck Atkins scored 21 points and the Pistons clinched the second-best record in the Eastern Conference with a 103-98 win over the New Jersey Nets on Tuesday night.

"It's very important for the playoffs to have your crowd behind you," said Ben Wallace, who had 14 points, 16 rebounds and six blocked shots. "They're there for you when you need that extra energy. They're screaming for you and you feed off the crowd."

The Pistons also have shown they can win without that.

In beating the Nets for the third time in four meetings, the Pistons posted their fifth straight road win and 18th in 21 games.

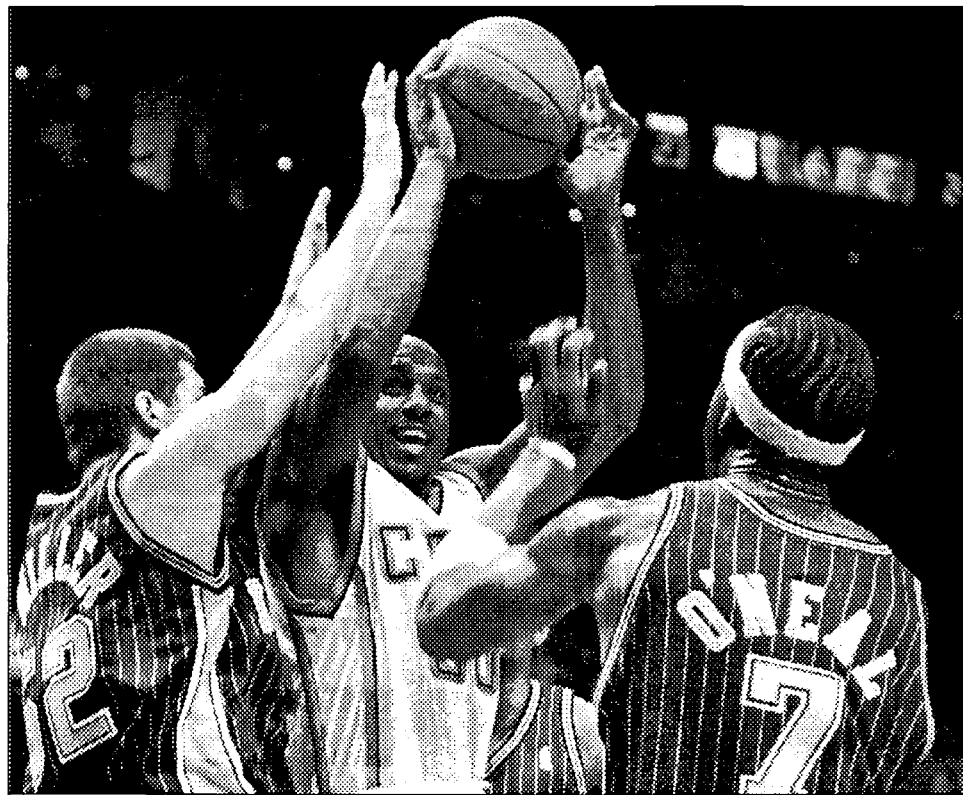
In a game in which Jerry Stackhouse hit one basket and scored 11 points, Detroit had a lot of players step up, particularly in the second half.

Atkins had 16 points in the final half. Jon Barry had 12 of his 17 and Corliss Williamson had eight of his 14 points in the final quarter.

Kerry Kittles, who has struggled in recent weeks, scored a season-high 30 points after being challenged by coach Byron Scott.

Kidd had 11 assists in setting a Nets' single-season record (803), breaking the mark of 801 set by Kevin Porter in 1977-78.

Detroit, which was already the No. 2 seed in the conference as the Central Division champion, needed this victory to



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Cleveland's Lamond Murray drives the lane between Indiana's Brand Miller, left, and Jermaine O'Neal during the first half of Indiana's 99-95 win Tuesday.

clinch the homecourt edge in later rounds should it advance. Victory No. 49 guaranteed that the Boston Celtics cannot catch the Pistons.

First-round playoff opponents for the Nets and Pistons are still up in the air. Indiana, Toronto and Milwaukee are all tied for the final two spots heading into Wednesday night's season finales.

Mavericks 96, Jazz 87

Their bid to win the division title is going down to the last day of the season, but the Dallas Mavericks might not have their leading scorer and rebounder for the finale.

Although Dirk Nowitzki returned from a four-game injury absence to score 24 points in a 96-87 victory over the Utah Jazz on Tuesday night, the All-Star forward said that he'll probably sit out Wednesday night's game in Phoenix to rest up for the playoffs.

Dallas, which went 3-1 without Nowitzki, has the same 57-24 record as San Antonio and the Los Angeles Lakers but loses tiebreakers to both. So while the Mavericks haven't given up on either winning the division or finishing third in the Western Conference, they realize it's a long shot.

The Mavs also know that the fourth seed has some benefits, including avoiding a

series against the Lakers or Spurs until the conference finals.

The Jazz already know they'll be starting the playoffs on the road for the first time since 1994. This loss prevented them from locking up the seventh seed, but with the second through fourth seeds up in the air it wouldn't matter much anyway.

Utah was in the game early, then trailed by 10 before halftime. The Jazz was up 62-61 late in the third quarter after a flip shot by Karl Malone but never led again.

Nick Van Exel led a 9-2 run the rest of the period and lobbed an alley-oop pass to Finley early in the fourth. The Jazz got within three on a jumper by John Stockton, but Finley cut between three defenders for a powerful dunk that put Dallas up five and wiping out Utah's comeback hopes.

Andrei Kirilenko had 18 points and six blocks — two on dunk attempts by 7-foot-6 Bradley — and Scott Padgett had 15 points.

Nowitzki said he was nervous before the game about whether the ankle would hold up.

He got into the flow of the game early, getting an assist on the game's first basket, then making a steal on the other end of the court. He swished his first shot, a 20-footer, hit another jumper, then threw down a dunk on a fast break.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Tigers finally win first game of year

Associated Press

DETROIT

The Detroit Tigers ended their losing streak against the team that started it.

Randall Simon drove in three runs and Jose Lima pitched six scoreless innings as the Tigers won their first game of the season over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, 9-3.

Tampa Bay swept the Tigers to open the season and help send Detroit to an 0-11 start.

Only four major league teams since 1900 started worse: the 1920 Tigers and the 1904 Washington Senators began 0-13, the 1997 Chicago Cubs lost their first 14 games, and the 1988 Baltimore Orioles set the record with an 0-21 start.

Simon's solo homer in the fourth gave Detroit a 2-0 lead and his two-run single began a five-run sixth, which made it 7-0 and prompted the crowd of 13,256 to give a standing ovation.

With the crowd standing and chanting "Let's go Tigers," Juan Acevedo pitched a scoreless ninth to end it. He got Brent Abernathy on a comebacker to get the final out. Young jumped in Acevedo's arms after the final out was recorded.

It was the first victory for manager Luis Pujols, who replaced Phil Garner after six games.

the Boston Red Sox beat the Toronto Blue Jays 14-3 Tuesday night.

Hillenbrand hit his fifth homer of the season off Brandon Lyon (0-2) in the third inning, giving Boston a 5-0 lead. The second-year third baseman went 2-for-4 with three runs scored, raising his batting average to a team-high .413.

Manny Ramirez went 3-for-4 with a homer and three RBI for the Red Sox, who won three of four against New York in their previous series.

Vernon Wells homered for the Blue Jays, who have lost two consecutive.

Castillo (1-0) allowed one run on three hits in six innings. He struck out three and walked one. Arroj allowed two unearned runs in three hitless innings for his first save of the season.

Hillenbrand extended his hitting streak to 12 with a double in the first. He then advanced to third on a wild pitch before Nomar Garciaparra hit a run-scoring grounder.

Trot Nixon, Rey Sanchez and Johnny Damon hit consecutive singles in the third before Hillenbrand homered.

Wells led off the bottom half with his third homer of the season.

Ramirez led off the sixth with his third home run, giving Boston a 6-1 lead.

hurt. And a lineup filled with clutch hitters can't seem to come up with a big hit.

Tony Batista homered and hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning as the Baltimore Orioles beat New York, the Yankees' sixth defeat in seven games.

Roger Clemens bounced back from a rough start with seven solid innings, leaving with a 4-3 lead. But New York, playing without All-Star center fielder Bernie Williams, could not hold it.

David Segui greeted reliever Ramiro Mendoza (0-1) with a ringing home run in the eighth that tied it at 4. Segui sent a 1-0 pitch into a near-empty section of the upper deck in right field, and Mendoza just slumped his shoulders on the mound.

Mendoza, pitching for the third consecutive day after beginning the season on the disabled list with a neck strain, then gave up sharp consecutive singles to Jeff Conine and Jay Gibbons, putting runners at first and third.

Steve Karsay came on and allowed Batista's sacrifice fly to deep right.

It was another disappointment in a string of difficult days for the Yankees.

Mariano Rivera blew an eighth-inning lead at Fenway Park on Saturday, and New York got nothing but bad news Tuesday: Williams is out for at least three games because of his sore shoulders, and left-hander Andy Pettitte will skip his next start because of a tender pitching elbow.

Rick Bauer (1-0), called up earlier in the day from Triple-A Rochester, worked a scoreless seventh for his first major league victory. Jorge Julio got five consecutive outs for his first career save and Baltimore's first of the season.

Gibbons and Segui both had run-scoring singles for the Orioles, who won for just the third time in 12 games and avoided their worst start since 1988. That year, Baltimore dropped its first 21 games — a major league record.

Robin Ventura led off the sixth with his sixth home run of the season, giving the Yankees a 4-3 lead.

Clemens allowed three runs and six hits, lowering his ERA from 7.56 to 6.46. The Rocket

was roughed up in his previous start at Toronto, when he pitched on three days' rest to fill in for an ailing Orlando Hernandez.

Jason Giambi went 0-for-3 with two strikeouts for New York. He was booed heartily after grounding into a double play in the fifth.

Williams, hitting just .180 with no home runs and one RBI in 50 at-bats this season, went to see Dr. James Andrews in Birmingham, Ala., on Tuesday and received cortisone shots in both shoulders.

White Sox 10, Indians 5

The Cleveland Indians' winning streak is over. And in spectacularly ugly fashion, no less.

Chuck Finley gave up nine runs — eight of them earned — and seven hits in just 1 2/3 innings Tuesday night as the Chicago White Sox beat the Indians 10-5, snapping Cleveland's 10-game winning streak.

The Indians bullpen, best in the American League, also gave up its first run in 19 innings.

Magglio Ordonez hit a grand slam to cap a nine-run second inning for Chicago, which has won six of seven. Royce Clayton added a two-run homer, and Sandy Alomar Jr. had a two-run single. Kenny Lofton was 1-for-5 against his old team, but he had a beautiful catch in the fourth inning that robbed Cleveland of at least one run.

White Sox rookie Jon Rauch didn't get the victory in his first major league start, lifted in the fifth inning after throwing 89 pitches. Damaso Marte (1-0) got the win by allowing one run on one hit in 1 2/3 innings.

With an 11-1 record, Cleveland had the best record in the majors and was off to its fastest start since opening the 1966 season 14-1.

But that came to an end in the hurry in the second. Finley (1-1) should have known he was in for some trouble with the way the inning began. Ordonez led off with what should have been an easy popup to right. But with two other players coming in on the ball, Matt Lawton dropped it.

Then he made a bad throw, allowing Ordonez to reach second with ease.

And things just got uglier from there. Finley retired only one of the first 10 batters he faced — and that was on Tony Graffanino's sacrifice bunt. After Clayton's two-run homer, he took a ball on the left hip when former teammate Lofton's liner went right back to the mound.

He came close to hitting Frank Thomas a few times, and loaded the bases when he finally walked Thomas. Then Ordonez sent a 2-2 pitch screaming to right-center, and fans could tell it was a grand slam as soon as it left his bat.

It was Ordonez's second homer of the year and his fifth career grand slam.

Finley finally got an out, retiring Paul Konerko on a popup. Indians manager Charlie Manuel decided that was enough, relieving Finley with David Riske.

SMC SOFTBALL

Belles searching for win

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

The Belles travel to Olivet today to face the Lady Comets in a race to climb out of the basement of the MIAA.

The Belles are 0-6 in conference play, still looking for their first win, and the Lady Comets are looking for their second win to boost their record from 1-7.

"I think that we are going to win tomorrow," Belles catcher Kristin Martin said. "We've had some mistakes and some bad times and this might be the game where it all comes together."

Over the last few weeks, the Belles have indeed struggled to put a winning game on the boards. After entering conference play with a 5-4 record, the Belles have lost their last six games, usually in one or two innings.

Martin and her teammates have been working on communication and also improving the fine points of their game in preparation for the rest of their matches.

"We need to talk more on the field," Martin said. "From where we were in the beginning of the year, we communicate more. When we talk and communicate we do a lot better."

Martin, one of the three senior captains for the Belles, also said that the team has been working on different techniques to stop opposing teams from pulling away with a string of runs in one or two innings, a problem that has plagued the Belles since the beginning of the season.

Saint Mary's is also working on creating a string of runs for themselves.

"There are spots in our game we need to hit and we are hitting them," Martin said. "One of the things [head coach John Ganef] had us work on is hitting to different places to get our people around. Once we manage that it will really make a difference."

Martin spoke about Saturday's game against Alma, the first home conference game for Saint Mary's as an example of the techniques the team is refining during practice.

"They had one girl that was a really good hitter," Martin said. "We pitched differently to her to make it harder for her to hit."

Last year, Olivet defeated Saint Mary's 4-2, 7-5, at Saint Mary's.

The Lady Comets are coached by James Knight. The seniorless Olivet squad is led by sophomore pitcher Stacey Dulinski, who has pitched all but one game for the Lady Comets, including the team's only conference win, a 2-0 victory over Kalamazoo.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Marlins comeback comes with setback

Associated Press

MIAMI

Florida's big comeback came with a setback.

Preston Wilson's two-out single in the ninth inning scored Kevin Millar from second base and gave the Marlins a 7-6 victory Tuesday night over Philadelphia.

The Marlins scored all their runs in the final three innings, tying the club record for the largest deficit overcome at six runs.

But right-hander Julian Tavaraz, who filled in on short notice for a sick Brad Penny, could be headed to the disabled list with an arm injury.

Tavaraz asked for and received the start when Penny came down with flu-like symptoms two hours before the game. He took the mound having not been able to get fully loose.

Tavaraz gave up seven hits and six runs in six erratic innings. He walked three, hit three and threw two wild pitches. But every time the Marlins asked if he was OK, he said yes, and Torborg stayed with his No. 4 starter even though he was barely reaching 80 mph on the radar gun.

Tavaraz will have an MRI exam on Wednesday, and Torborg said he expects him to go on the 15-day DL soon after.

Trailing 6-5 in the ninth, Mike Redmond led off with a single, and pinch-runner Marty Malloy moved to second on a sacrifice and scored on Millar's two-out double off the wall in left center. With first base open and backup catcher Ramon Castro on deck, the Phillies chose to pitch to Wilson.

He delivered a long fly ball over center fielder Doug Glanville's head.

Wilson's second game-winning single in three games gave Florida its first three-game winning streak of the season. Wilson beat Atlanta with a hit in the 14th inning Saturday.

Jose Mesa (0-1) blew his first save in five chances. Gary Knotts (1-0) pitched the ninth. Florida's bullpen, much maligned early in the season, has pitched 14 consecutive scoreless innings.

Expos 8, Cubs 4

Vladimir Guerrero and the Montreal Expos displayed a killer instinct when opportunity knocked.

Guerrero homered twice and had four RBI — including a run-scoring single to cap Montreal's five-run fourth inning — to lead the Expos to a win over the Chicago Cubs Tuesday.

Montreal's Vladimir Guerrero had his 14th multihomer game of the season Tuesday night.

Guerrero homered on an 0-2 pitch from Juan Cruz (0-3) with two outs in the first and hit an RBI single to chase Cruz with two outs in the fourth. He added a two-run shot to right off Jesus Sanchez in the sixth for his fourth homer of the season and 14th career multihomer game.

Masato Yoshii (2-1) retired the first 10 batters he faced and allowed three hits and one run in five innings. T.J. Tucker got four outs for his first save in front of a season-low crowd

of 4,486 at Olympic Stadium.

Jose Vidro hit a two-run single in the fourth as the Expos scored five unearned runs with two outs.

With runners at first and second and two outs in the fourth, Yoshii hit a grounder that got past third baseman Chris Stynes, who was charged with an error as the Expos took a 2-0 lead.

Yoshii advanced to third on Peter Bergeron's RBI double. Both runners scored as Vidro's two-run single made it 5-0. Vidro advanced to second on Cruz's wild pitch before scoring the Expos' fifth run of the inning on Guerrero's single.

Cruz allowed five hits and six runs, though just one was earned, in 3 2-3 innings. Cruz has a 1.93 ERA this season as only three of the 11 runs he has allowed in 14 innings have been earned runs.

Astros 8, Reds 3

Lance Berkman figures the way he hits Cincinnati Reds pitching is just one of the quirky things about baseball.

Berkman became the first major leaguer this season to homer three times in a game, driving in five runs as the Houston Astros hit five home runs in beating the Reds Tuesday.

"Sometimes a guy just owns you and can't get a hit off him to save your life," Berkman said.

Berkman owned the Reds on Tuesday, as he has most of his career.

It was the second three-homer game for Berkman, but his first in the majors. He said he had three in a Triple-A game with New Orleans in 2000.

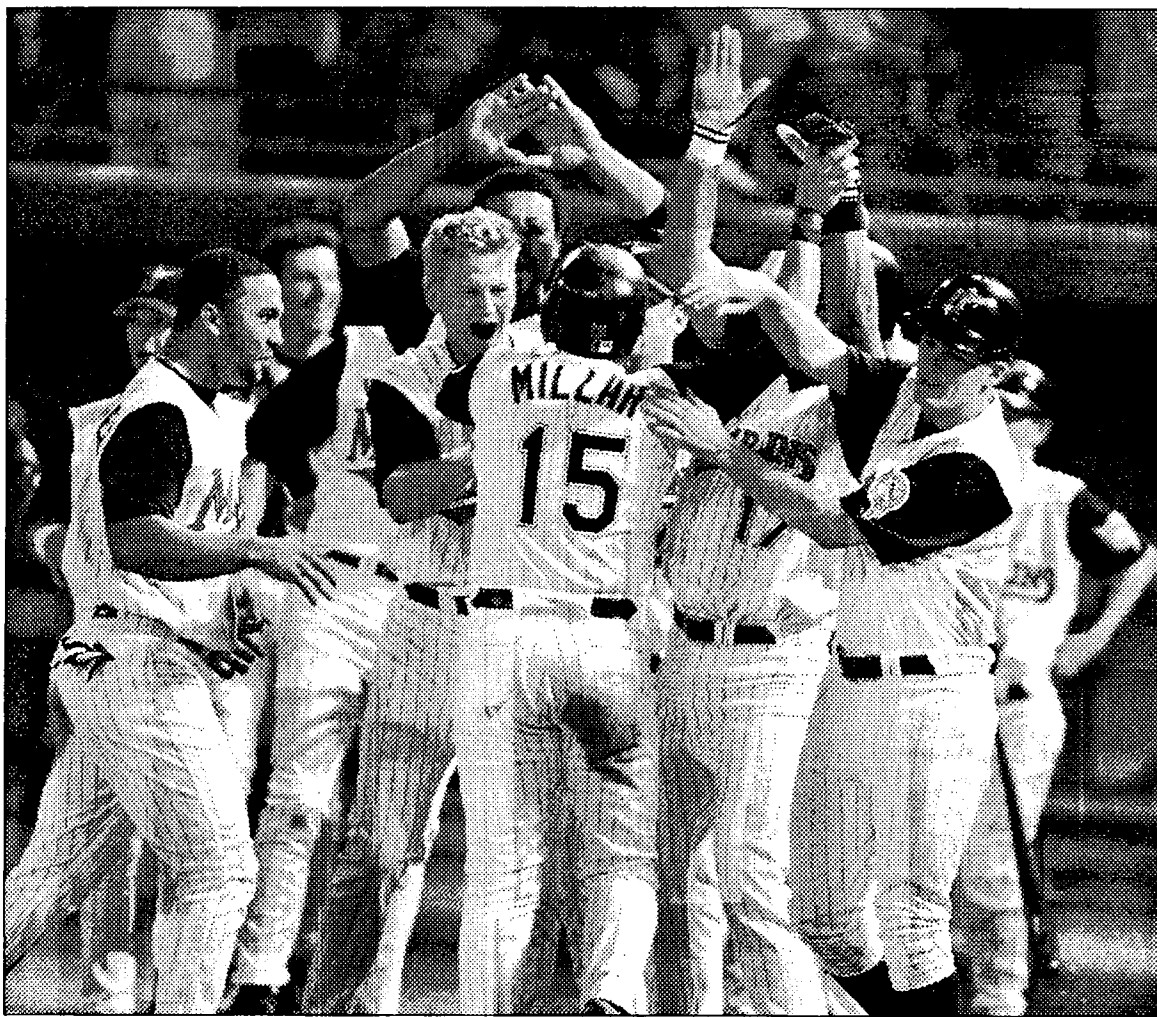
The first two Tuesday night were off Reds starter Jose Acevedo, and they cost Acevedo (2-1) his job. Acevedo was optioned to Triple-A Louisville after the game.

But he wasn't surprised by the demotion.

Richard Hidalgo followed Berkman's three-run homer in the first with a solo shot to the same spot over the left-field wall.

Jeff Bagwell's two-run homer in the second inning, his first of the season, made it 6-0, and Berkman followed with his sixth homer, clearing the 40-foot "batter's eye" in center.

He also had a solo homer in the fifth off Jose Rijo, breaking



JOE RIMKUS JR./Miami Herald

Teammates swarm Florida Marlin Kevin Millar Tuesday as he scores the winning run against the Philadelphia Phillies in the ninth inning of their 7-6 win.

a 24-inning scoreless streak by the Reds' bullpen.

Houston's first four homers were off Acevedo, who lasted just 1 2-3 innings, the shortest start of his career. He allowed seven runs on six hits.

Berkman's homer over the black wall in straightaway center was only the second to clear the wall in the two years it has been in place. The first was hit by St. Louis' Albert Pujols last season.

Berkman has thrived on Reds pitching, hitting .416 (37-of-89) in his career with eight home runs and 29 RBI.

But Jim Brower got Berkman to ground out in the seventh, and Luis Pineda struck him out in the ninth. Berkman said a fourth homer was in the back of his mind, but he wasn't going for it.

Pirates 5, Brewers 1

Jimmy Anderson's strategy isn't any different this year but the results are.

Anderson allowed three hits in seven innings and Brian Giles homered as the

Pittsburgh Pirates beat Milwaukee Tuesday, handing the Brewers their ninth loss in 10 games.

He did against the struggling Brewers as Pittsburgh won its sixth straight road games and improved to 8-5 — the Pirates' best start in three years. Pittsburgh hasn't had a winning April since 1994.

Anderson (2-1) retired the first 11 batters before Jeffrey Hammonds doubled and Richie Sexson walked. Anderson retired Alex Ochoa on a grounder to end the threat. Anderson struck out four and walked two.

Giles hit a 438-foot home run, his third of the year, in the first inning off Nick Neugebauer (0-2) for a 1-0 lead.

The Brewers tied it in the

fifth when Geoff Jenkins led off with his second home run of the season.

Pokey Reese doubled to start the sixth, advanced to third on a groundout by Giles and scored on a wild pitch by Neugebauer for a 2-1 lead.

Neugebauer was lifted after six innings. He allowed three hits before tiring in the sixth when he walked two after Reese scored the go-ahead run. Neugebauer ended his night by inducing a double play grounder from Jason Kendall.

The Pirates made it 3-1 in the eighth when Adrian Brown and Reese singled to start the inning. Brown took third on a flyball by Giles and scored on Aramis Ramirez's groundout.

Pinch-hitter Rob Mackowiak hit a two-run homer in the ninth to make it 5-1.

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going to beat you this year.'

"I think we've accepted our roles each year and we've been smart about it. And we're really good friends, so there was never room for that."

"He's a fun personality to be around," Smith said, adding that the two know when to have fun and when to be serious. "We can be pretty sarcastic at times."

The only time Taborga and Smith usually show any signs of a rivalry is during practice.

"We'll play a ground stroke game and we go back and forth to see who has won the most,

which by the way I think I have," Smith said. "It's good. I think he pushes me to play at a higher level and I do the same for him."

There was a time though, when Taborga had only himself to rely upon in order to overcome mental hurdles in tennis, as well as the obstacles posed by coming to a new country — namely getting adjusted to American food. During his freshman and sophomore years, he struggled with injuries and a lack of intensity.

"I think I underachieved my freshman and sophomore year and my game wasn't where I wanted it to be," he said. "I was having a lot of trouble improving my game."

During a tournament in

Bolivia his junior year though, Taborga made a turnaround.

"At the end of my junior year, I got the opportunity to play with players that are ranked pretty high in the world back home and I thought I was at a level to compete with them," Taborga said. "They just kicked my butt. I realized I wasn't going where I was planning to go and I had to make some changes."

Taborga realized that in order to achieve his dream of becoming a professional player — a dream cultivated on

Bolivian tennis courts — he would have to make changes in his life.

"Junior year was a big jump for me," he said. "I turned

a r o u n d m a n y things in my life. I was able to realize that I had been doing a lot of things wrong in general and it was a big, big

move towards where I wanted to be."

That transition bloomed during his senior year, as moved up to as high as 11th in the national singles rankings and fourth with Smith in the doubles rankings.

"Finally, my senior year, it all clicked. I don't think too many people expected me to do it," Taborga said. "If you saw the rankings [last] September and you asked people if they would expect Javier Taborga to be top 20 in singles and top five in doubles, I don't think too many would have said, 'Yeah.'"

Although he and Smith have had some challenges with regards to their play recently, Taborga is pleased with what he has accomplished during the past year.

"In a way I have compensated for the underachievement I had for two years," he said.

Smith's struggles have arisen from the challenge of combining his rigorous pre-med schedule with playing on a national-caliber tennis team.

In fact, as the Irish travel to Miami for the Big East tournament this weekend, their No. 2 player will also be preparing to take the MCAT exam on Saturday at the University of Miami. He will not be able to participate on Saturday, but will be back to aid Notre Dame on Sunday.

Smith, who won multiple singles and doubles state titles in high school, has not felt overwhelmed, except for a time during his sophomore year.

"It's been a struggle in some sense," he said. "But once you get in the routine it's much easier."

Handling a tough schedule has made him a better tennis player, Smith believes.

"I don't have a lot of time and

what time I have I have to maximize it."

A product of an Irish-Catholic family obsessed with Notre Dame, the Kansas City native, given his proclivity to disagree with his family, was not always keen on coming to South Bend.

"I've always been a pain in the butt my whole life," he said. "Since everyone in my family liked Notre Dame, I didn't."

Upon visiting and given the tennis opportunities offered, he changed his mind. Smith, like Taborga, never expected to do so well in doubles, and both give Irish coach Bob Bayliss considerable credit in their increasing prowess on the courts.

"I've learned a lot from coach and from Javier," Smith said. "It's just amazing how much you can pick up in the course of four years. I didn't realize there was that much to learn."

"[Bayliss] demands and expects a lot out of you," Smith said. "It was difficult for me a little earlier in my career because I didn't always understand that what he was saying was best for me. I have grown a lot under him, both as a tennis player and a person."

Both Taborga and Smith intend to play professionally for a few years, and then, if they are successful and if the tennis playing life is fruitful, they will stick with it. If the pros do not prove welcoming to either of these players, they have pretty safe contingency plans.

Smith hopes to attend the medical school at the University of Kansas, located in his hometown, and Taborga plans to go to law school.

Taborga and Smith, through their play and their friendship, have been a critical element of the whole team's successes this season — and in many cases, even when the team does not fare well, the No. 1 and No. 2 players come through with a solid doubles performance. Their leadership has been important to the underclassmen.

"Casey and Javier, as well as [fellow seniors] Talarico and Andrew Laflin have really been the heart of the team," sophomore Matt Scott said. "The four seniors who have been playing have set the standard, showed us how it's done. We really look

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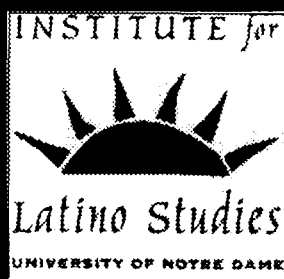
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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXI

First round ends with stripping, pubic hair

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Senior Staff Writer

Five strippers, a bottle of pubic hair and a finance professor made the end of the first round of Bookstore Basketball XXXI very memorable.

Punky Brewster opened the day by stripping off an article of clothing for every point scored. Five sophomores from Pasquerilla East — Erinn Rigney, Meghan Rigney, Shaina Morphew, Krista Berghoff and Carol McCarthy — began the game wearing white undershirts, shorts, a headband and an armband. By the end of their 21-17 loss to What The Hell Are Robster Crows, Erinn Rigney was wearing only a bikini while the rest of the team was in other various stages of undress.

"We thought our bodies were hotter than our game," Erinn Rigney said about her team's strategy.

What The Hell Are Robster Crows embraced Punky Brewster's strategy as well. Matt Leonard, Bill Bingle, Gregg Michaels, Mike Wahl and Josh O'Farrell even helped by scoring the first two points for Punky Brewster.

"It was very distracting," Leonard said. "I thought it was just a ploy but then we found out they were serious."

While Punky Brewster was serious about stripping, Who's Getting Lucky Tonight? was serious about winning its first round match-up against milkflap.com.

Lucky, made up of one former and four current Welsh Family football players, used physical play and hustling to defeat Milkflap.com, an all guys team, 26-24.

"A lot of guys teams will hold back against us," Katie Rak said about the physical style of play. "They didn't hold back this game so we didn't hold back either."

Milkflap.com, made up of Brian McCabe, Paul Guzzetta, Mike Iacono, Pat Murphy and Joe Biggs, left the court immediately after the loss.

"They played very well," McCabe said as the team's only comment.

Head Bookstore commissioner Brian Clemency said Lucky's win was the first all-female win against an all-male team that he was aware of.

Late in the game, however, it looked like Milkflap would pull out a tough victory, as it led 19-15. Lucky had missed several easy shots and passed the ball poorly up until that point.

"It was one of those things where we were just missing lay-ups," Rak said. "Once we started hitting lay-ups we were fine."

Lucky battled back to take a 20-19 lead. Milkflap.com answered Lucky's answer, however, by tying the game at

21 and forcing overtime.

The extra period seesawed back and forth until Lucky took a 25-24 lead. Rak then grabbed a rebound and hit a short jumper to win the game 26-24.

"I was just at the right spot at the right time," Rak said.

One of the most revolting traditions in Bookstore Basketball entered its eighth year as Absolut Curlies VIII lost to No. 11 We Get Wet, 21-5.

Absolut Curlies, made up of five men from Zahm, continued an eight-year tradition by killing a fifth of Absolut Vodka and shaving their pubic hairs

last weekend. The hairs were then put into the bottle and brought to court-side for the game.

"We were more

aerodynamic today," junior Pat Amato of Curlies said.

The improved aerodynamics of Amato, Brian Zant, Chris Bystedt, Chris Roche and Pat McGarry could not overcome the superior athleticism of the five freshmen of We Get Wet, Justin Funk, Greg Bosl, Greg Durm, Matt Cox and Mitch Knapke.

Under the lights, finance professor Carl Ackermann and We've Got Your Cash Flow Right Here In Our Pants schooled Loveburger: All About The Benjamins, 21-19.

"They are a real forgiving group of guys," Ackermann said about his student teammates. "They let a guy well past 40 run up and down the court with them. I had a wonderful time."

The ski team was out of its element against No. 24 Irvin Jones as the ranked team whipped the spandex-clad skiers 21-10.

Irvin Jones, Danny Williams, Stacey Locke, Deauto Smith and Robert Allen were too athletic for Do You Want To See My Junk. Despite frequent substitution, Joe Payne, Marc Pribaz, Kevin Wolf, Jon Pribaz, Wes Jacobs, Jesse Hensley, Bill Leimhuehler, Eric Hansen, Dan Block and Kieran Norton could not keep up with Irvin Jones.

Notes:

♦ Bookstore commissioners released the top eight rankings for the women's tournament, which starts Sunday. Sindone's Slamming Divas received the top seed. Hardcore Stokers, which includes three Saint Mary's basketball players, is ranked second. Who's Getting Lucky Tonight, which defeated an all-male team Tuesday night, is ranked fourth.

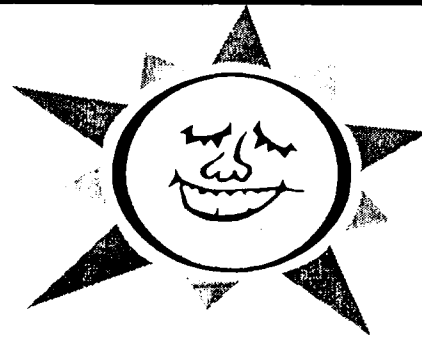
♦ Irish basketball coach Mike Brey's team, Stylistics, plays tonight at 8:30 p.m. at Stepan Courts.

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Sophomore Erinn Rigney of Punky Brewster tries to take the ball from What The Hell are Robster Crows' Gregg Michaels as sister Meghan Rigney looks on. The Punky Brewster players took off an article of clothing after each basket, leaving Erinn Rigney in a bikini at game's end.



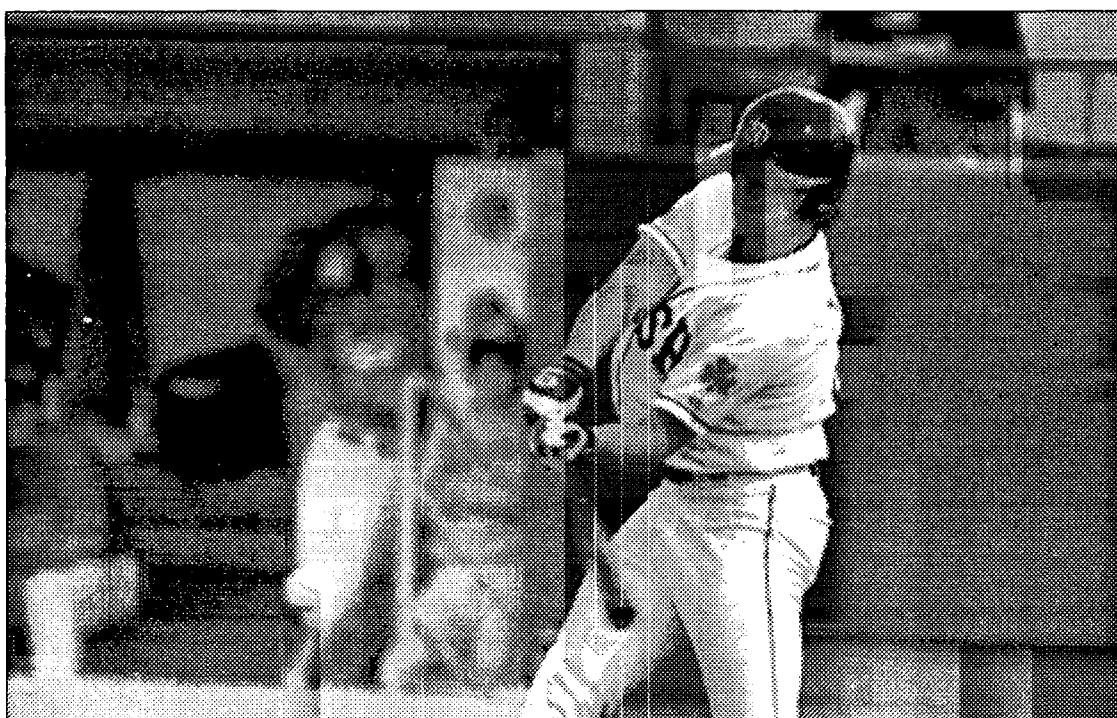
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ANDY KENNA/The Observer

Irish third baseman Joe Thaman eyes the pitch before blasting his second home run of the season in the second inning of Notre Dame's 10-1 victory over Ball State Tuesday.

Baseball

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and smacked a towering fly ball towards left field.

"I hit it up there, and I was like, 'Come on wind, catch the ball,'" Bushey said.

The wind did indeed catch the ball, and brought the ball over the left field fence for Bushey's first career grand slam, putting the Irish ahead comfortably, 9-1.

"I thought Andy's at bat in the seventh was really a huge at-bat," Mainieri said. "The wind was blowing out [to left field] and we were facing a junkballer. We were playing to pull the ball and he was frustrating us and then Andy goes out and makes an adjustment."

The Irish were able to close

out the Cardinals with two more solid innings of relief pitching by Grant Johnson. Johnson allowed only one hit and one walk in his two innings of relief.

The Irish added an insurance run in the bottom of the eighth when Thaman led off the inning with a double off the left-field wall. A fly ball to left off the bat of Steve Stanley allowed Thaman to tag to third, and a sacrifice fly by pinch hitter Brent Weiss brought Thaman home to provide the final run of the game.

"[Ball State] has come in here and been a very tough mid-week team," Bushey said. "Beating them here tonight was a really good win for us."

The Irish, who have won 14 of their last 16 games, now face their third consecutive Mid-American Conference foe

in Toledo today, before a pivotal weekend series against Big East rival Seton Hall.

"We just really want to keep our momentum going into the weekend, so we want to play a really solid nine innings [today] to carry into this weekend's really big series," Bushey said.

Note:

♦ With his 2-for-5 performance Tuesday, Stanley's season batting average dropped to .474. However, his two hits helped him extend his current hitting streak to 10 games. This marks his third 10-game hitting streak this season and the seventh such streak of his career. During this most recent streak, Stanley is hitting .595.

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ND SOFTBALL

Irish look to start new set of streaks

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

Most teams are satisfied with winning three of four games in a weekend. For the Notre Dame softball team, satisfaction comes from perfection.

This afternoon, Notre Dame looks to get back on track against Indiana State in a non-conference doubleheader. With their 3-0 loss to Syracuse in game two of Sunday's doubleheader, Notre Dame saw their 14-game winning streak, 26-game home winning streak and 36-game Big East regular season winning streak snapped.

"I don't think they felt the pressure of the streaks," said Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf. "Some days teams tend to come out with more energy. On Sunday, we didn't come out with a lot of energy. But, I think [the team] expect[s] to have winning streaks."

The Irish were 0-for-8 with runners in scoring position and left six runners on base in Sunday's loss, including four in scoring position. Notre Dame managed only eight hits in Sunday's doubleheader and scored three runs. Finding the intensity and energy that allowed the Irish to score more than four runs in 12 of their previous 15 games starts within.

"All of them are doing a little bit of soul-searching right now," Gumpf said. "Everybody is trying to see what they could do better."

First baseman Lisa Mattison currently leads the Big East in hitting with a .444 batting average in league games and .559 on-base percentage. Shortstop Andria Bledsoe is second at .438. Bledsoe leads the league with 14 hits and 11 runs scored.



Gumpf

Steffany Stenglein earned her first Big East award on Monday. The freshman pitcher was named co-Big East Pitcher of the Week. In her 25 innings of work, Stenglein allowed 12 hits, three earned runs and registered 27 strikeouts. Last Tuesday, Stenglein combined with Carrie Wisen for a no-hitter.

On the week, Stenglein was 3-1 with a 0.89 ERA and for the year she is 14-9 with a 1.96 ERA.

Indiana State is 11-25 and has lost 12 in a row. Beating the Irish on their home field is the type of win that could make the Sycamores' season. Indiana State beat Notre Dame on April 18, 2000, the last loss for Notre Dame before Sunday's loss to Syracuse.

"Indiana State is a scrappy team," Gumpf said. "They have a couple of really good hitters and they would love nothing better than to beat Notre Dame."

Leading the Indiana State offense is Sarah Ledmond. The centerfielder is first on the team with a .404 batting average and 46 hits. Catcher Kate Gentile has driven in a team-high 20 runners.

While these games count toward the team's overall record, Gumpf knows the important games occur against Big East teams. These non-conference weekday matchups will allow the Irish to work out some problems and be ready for the weekend.

"In my point of view, the games against Indiana State and Bowling Green are just practice for Virginia Tech," Gumpf said. "That's what really matters. The at-bats we are going to use like batting practice. The groundballs and fly outs are just like defense practice."

Today's doubleheader is scheduled to start at 4 p.m. at Ivy Field.

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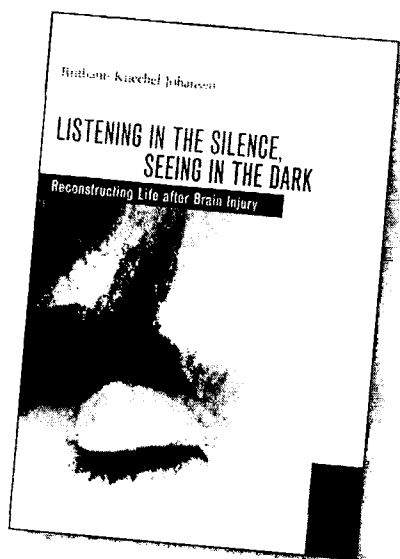
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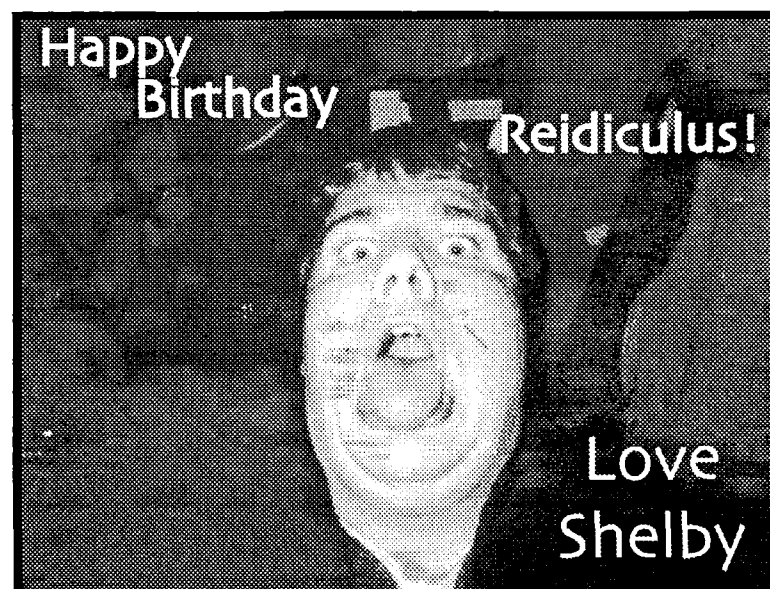
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different than the kind of respect the team has for its brand new coaching staff.

"It's sort of weird situation. They're coming in after everything that has happened and saying, 'I'm your coach, I want you to do this, I want you to do that,' and at the same time, not push any buttons," Watson said. "I think they want us to understand that. I think in that aspect, it was different, because with the coaches last year we didn't have that. It was just common mutual respect for each other."

That respect, although it is different than the personal, man-to-man respect of last season, is apparent this season.

"There is respect there all down the line," said rising senior center Jeff Faine.

The difference in the kind of relationship the players have with their coaches goes beyond respect as well.

Last season it was normal to expect Davie to be watching his defense throughout most of practice, overseeing what defensive coordinator Greg Mattison was doing. He may have shouted-out some instruction from the cart that he used at practice.

Head coach Tyrone Willingham is more of a silent observer.

"He's very to the point, he doesn't waste too many words," Faine said. "He's a real direct man and I think that gets the job done."

Although Willingham is a man of few words, the words he chooses to share with his team hit home.

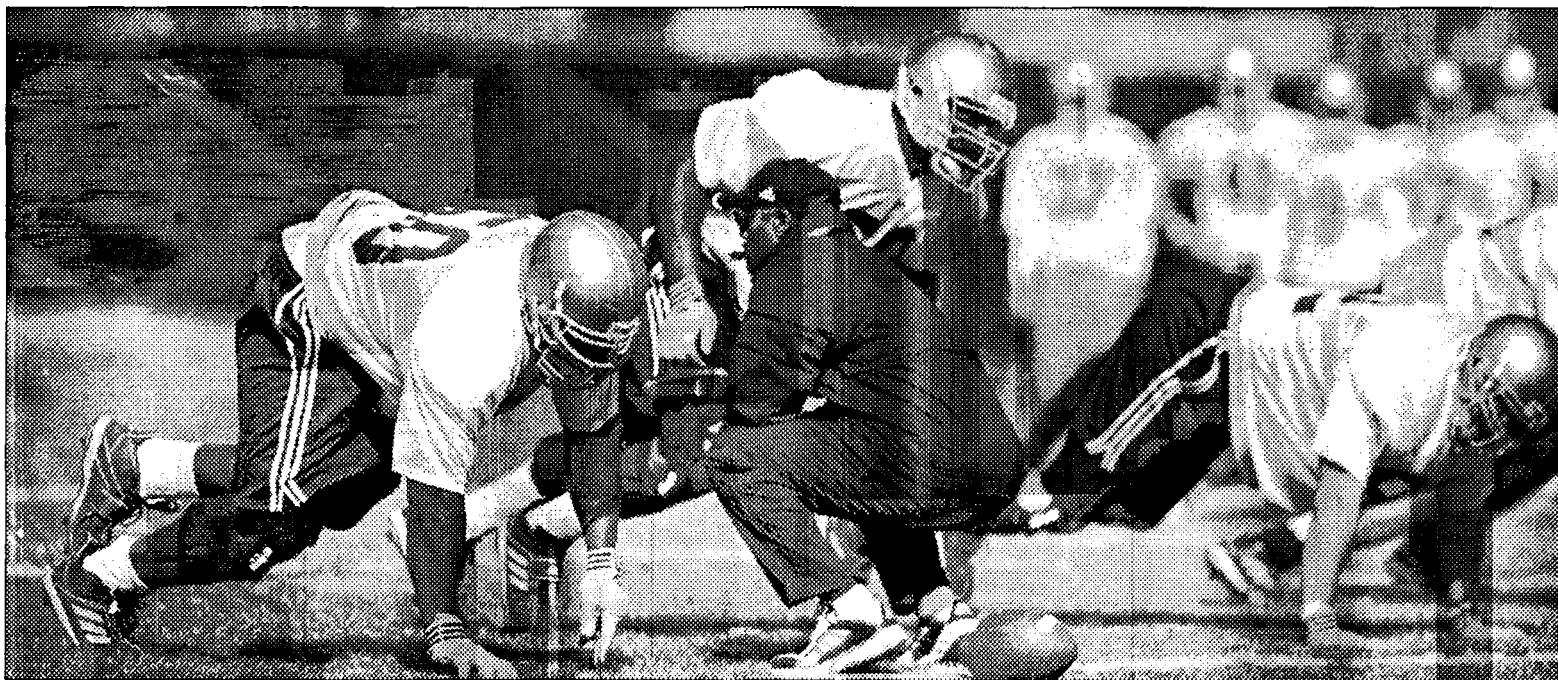
"Coach Willingham picks and chooses his words very carefully and only says things that are really necessary," Watson said. "He's not a real big talker and that makes what he says taken more to heart. He doesn't say just coach's lines."

In addition to being a silent observer, Watson said, Willingham roams. That very distinct difference, although obvious, makes it very difficult for the players to even make the comparison between last year's practice atmosphere and this year's.

"I don't know if it's a fair comparison, just because Coach Willingham is more of a roam-about coach," Watson said. "He deals in terms of offense and defense, and as everybody knows, Coach Davie was more of a defensive coach. He was with us more so I don't think I can give an accurate description of that."

So while the major changes take place under the eye of the unconnected observer and the subtle change in atmosphere takes place under the eye of the athlete, Faine thinks that the team's goal is the same.

He said, "It's pretty much we're just out there doing the same thing, trying to win games."



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Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham tutors rising senior noseguard Cedric Hilliard during the team's first spring practice. Players have described Willingham as more of a silent observer during practice as compared to predecessor Bob Davie.

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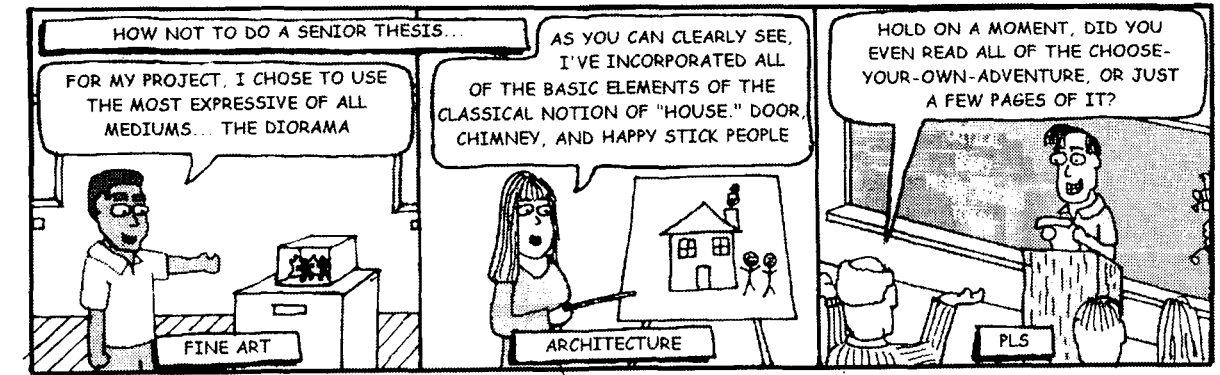
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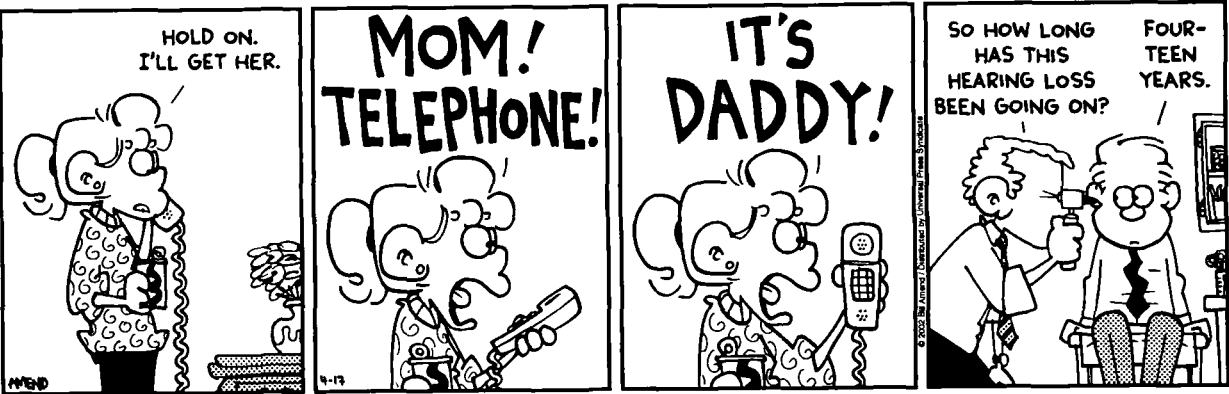
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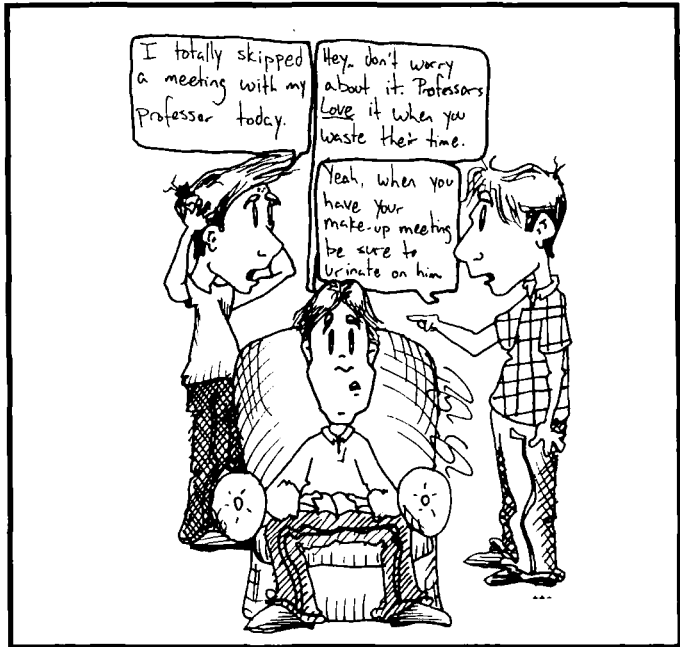
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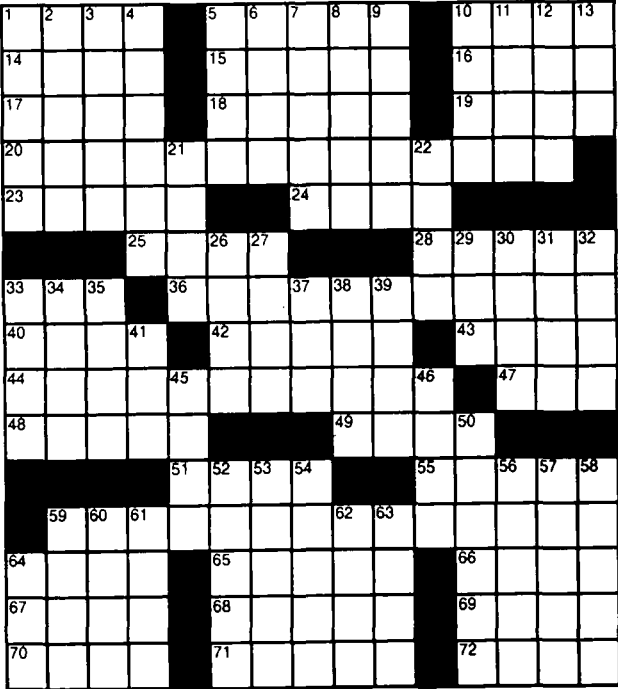
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- 1 90 degrees
- 5 Place for a cypress
- 10 Attempt
- 14 Be a monarch
- 15 Staples Center player
- 16 Hack
- 17 "Magnet and Steel" singer Walter
- 18 Word to a knight
- 19 Aspirin, e.g.
- 20 Reduce one's feelings of weariness?
- 23 Check for fit
- 24 Looped handle
- 25 Actress Campbell
- 28 Heavenly edible
- 33 Court decision
- 36 Play baseball with cheeses?
- 40 Water color
- 42 Seafood entree
- 43 Perplexity
- 44 Badly bruised president?
- 47 Rock producer Brian
- 48 Kind of bean
- 49 Over
- 51 Dutch export
- 55 Canadian peninsula
- 59 Master at wielding a tongue depressor?
- 64 Monopoly square
- 65 Piano specialist
- 66 Cut, as film
- 67 Pac 10 school
- 68 Grimalkin
- 69 Steam up
- 70 Keep at it
- 71 King of Judea
- 72 Sibyl
- DOWN
- 1 Be constructive?
- 2 Foreshadow
- 3 Dark bluish-gray
- 4 Muscle/bone connector
- 5 Common side order
- 6 Put on notice
- 7 Japanese dog
- 8 Elementary particle
- 9 Urge
- 10 Dateless
- 11 Dial on the dash
- 12 Central line
- 13 Didn't pass
- 21 First-floor apartment
- 22 Shakespeare's foot?
- 26 Bud holder
- 27 Make an artistic impression
- 29 Famous holder of pairs
- 30 1982 Tony musical
- 31 Broadway brightener
- 32 Regarding
- 33 Arctic native
- 34 Prefix akin to iso-
- 35 Change colors
- 37 Singing syllable

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- 39 Adam's apple area?
- 41 Fitting
- 45 MGM Studios founder
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- 52 Get rid of
- 53 Lapis lazuli
- 54 House of lords
- 56 "Sexy" Beatles girl
- 57 Audio attachment?
- 58 Any acetate, chemically
- 59 Food whose name means, literally, wadding
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Enjoy the company of friends today. The more you do with others the more information you will pick up. Travel plans should be made even if they are only for a short but informative trip. ☺☺☺
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll be intent on doing well at work or at any project that you have a real interest in. Your dedication and loyalty to those you work with will be enhanced by your unique ideas and unusual approach to what you do. ☺☺☺
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could turn into a great friendship. ☺☺☺
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ND MEN'S TENNIS

Smith, Taborga take different paths to the top

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

They come from two very different backgrounds, one from Bolivia, and the other from Kansas City, Mo., but they enjoy numerous commonalities — and tennis pervades them all.

Seniors Javier Taborga and Casey Smith both started playing tennis at age five.

They both lived in Knott Hall as underclassmen.

They both strive to challenge themselves, with Smith majoring in sociology and pre-professional studies and Taborga studying finance and computer applications, with hopes of law school someday.

They lead the Notre Dame men's tennis team as the No. 1 and No. 2 singles players.

They both want to play professional tennis.

And they both are great friends who still room together off-campus.

Taborga and Smith have much in common, but what is perhaps most important is what they do not have in common.

Using their different talents, Taborga and Smith have moved up to fourth in the national doubles rankings.

"We complement each other

very well and we understand each other better than anyone I've played with so far," Taborga said. "We're really good friends. We talk a lot. We're really open and supportive, and in doubles, it's all about trust."

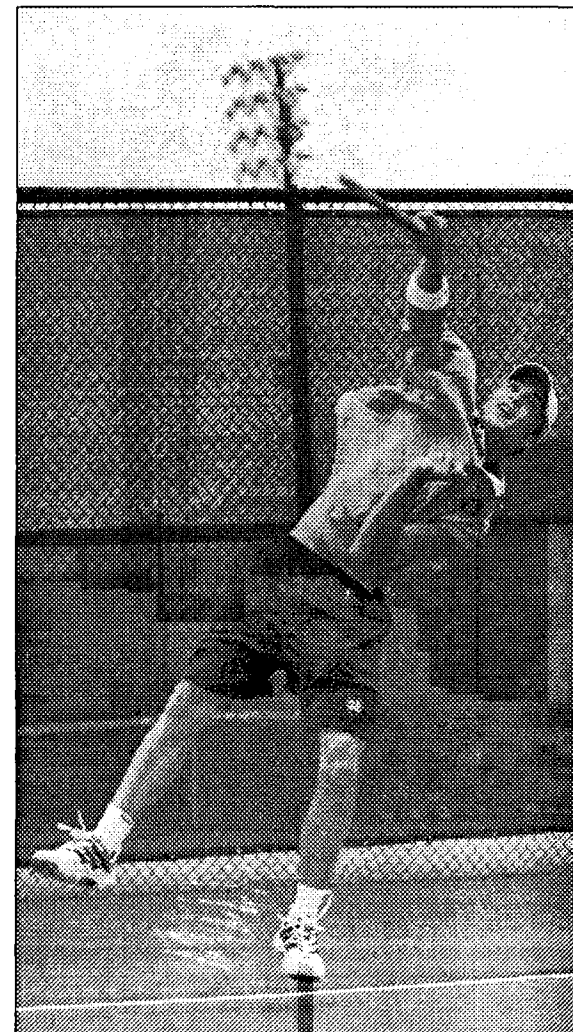
"Our game style has complemented each other very well," Smith said. "Javier is very explosive. He's able to pull us away. He can take over a match. I'm more solid, I play at a pretty high level the whole time. The combination is good, two people that make up for what the other is deficient in."

"They complement each other really well," said fellow senior Aaron Talarico.

Taborga has not always been the No. 1 player for the Irish. Last year, he played at No. 2, while Smith commanded the top position.

Despite their competitive natures though, the change in positions has not brought about fierce rivalry, but rather productive and friendly jesting.

"We are both really competitive," Taborga said. "We both want to play at No. 1. We're not mad at each other though because [Casey] played No. 1 last year and I'm No. 1 this year. At the beginning of the year, we made jokes like, 'I'm



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Irish seniors Javier Taborga, left, and Casey Smith, right, compete against Kentucky earlier this season. Taborga and Smith comprise the fourth-ranked doubles team in the country.

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BASEBALL

Irish crush Cardinals

By BRYAN KRONK
Sports Writer

Call it an all-around good performance.

The Notre Dame baseball team used a combination of solid pitching, timely hitting and some great defensive plays to achieve a decisive win over the Cardinals of Ball State, 10-1.

"It was a great night. All the pitchers we sent out there did a great job," Irish head coach Paul Maineri said. "When you get good pitching and good defense, it gives your hitters the chance to scratch out a few runs."

Notre Dame jumped out to an early 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning. After Matt Bok lined a single to center, Paul O'Toole was hit by a pitch. The next batter, Andrew Bushey, hit a towering fly that was dropped by the Ball State centerfielder, allow-

ing Bok and O'Toole to score.

After the Cardinals notched a run in the top of the second with back-to-back doubles, the Irish responded with three more runs in the bottom of the inning. Consecutive leadoff singles by Steve Sollmann and Kris Billmaier set up a one-out line-drive home run to right off the bat of Joe Thaman, making the score 5-1 in favor of the Irish.

After two more singles and a walk reloaded the bases, the Irish had a major scoring opportunity wasted when O'Toole grounded into a double play to end the inning. Then the Irish relief pitching took over.

J.P. Gagne entered the game in the top of the third for the Irish, and pitched four outstanding innings of relief, allowing only two hits and one walk enroute to his third relief win in six days.

The Irish defense faced a major scare in the top of the

fifth inning, as third-string shortstop Javier Sanchez, now starting due to injuries to shortstops Matt Macri and Matt Edwards, chased a ball in foul territory along the left field line. The wind took the ball well foul, and Sanchez, still chasing the ball, crashed into the chain-link fence lining the stadium.

While concerned onlookers feared the worst, Maineri said it looked much worse that the actual injury.

"He was hustling after the ball and he plowed into the tarp and his legs gave out, and his chin smacked into the fence," Maineri said. "It was a hustle play, and he plays hard, that kid."

The score remained 5-1 into the bottom of the seventh, when the Irish loaded the bases with a single and two walks.

Bushey came to the plate

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FOOTBALL

Coaches bring new practice attitude

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The major differences at Notre Dame's practices are easily discernible to any bystander — the absence of the option, the emphasis on pass plays, the number of quarterbacks taking snaps. But there is another difference at practice, a more subtle difference that may, ultimately, have a great impact.

There is a whole new coaching staff and that coaching staff has brought with it some atmosphere changes. Last season, the Irish football players

were playing under coaches they had known for years, the men who had recruited them. They had a personal relationship with those coaches, the kind of relationship that is just in its infancy with this year's brand-new coaches.

"It's just different personalities. It's just like making new friends," said rising senior linebacker Courtney Watson. "In the end the message is somewhat the same as far as technique ... but it's just like meeting new people and you get into a different atmosphere."

After three years of working with former head coach Bob Davie and most of his coaching staff, the team had a personal relationship with the coaches, Watson said. The respect found in that relationship is

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