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Saint Mary's officials approve reading day

Student government succeeds after ten years of proposals

By SARAH NESTOR Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's student government 10-year struggle to implement study days into the academic calendar culminated

Tuesday afternoon when the Academic Affairs Committee voted to approve the reading

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"Right

ed ... [and] shocked," Kim Jensen, student body president, said. "Now that it's done, it's a great feeling."

According to Jensen, the Academic Affairs Committee gave the proposal "a pretty solid vote" at Tuesday's meeting.

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h e Т Student Academic Council and Board of Governance had already unanimously approved the reading day proposal last fall, after which the proposal was sent to

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Academic Standards Committee.

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Standards Committee voted to approve it, although not unanimously, and it was passed forward to the Academic Affairs Committee, which gives the final approval before implementation.

Now that the reading day proposal has been approved,

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will be included in the 2003-04 academic calendar and a separate comyear, but I wish it would mittee will be formed to have been passed for this review the reading day and the campus's reaction. Jensen said the committee will be made up of an equal number of stu-

dents and faculty, and will In February, the Academic also include several adminis-

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the Friday before exams week and considers Saturday and Sunday as study days. The reading day will not be added to this spring

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semester since the semester is already in progress.

"I'm glad that it got passed for the

people who will be here next year, but I wish it would have been passed for this semester [so seniors could benefit]," said senior Evelyn Gonzales.

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FONDUE FUN

New prosecutor to assume rape trial

By MEGHANNE DOWNES Associate News Editor

gestion for the special prosecutor to the judge. Due to the timing and complexity of these cases, Gotsch also said Dvorak's office was unable to make a recommendation. Saint Joseph County Superior Court Chief Judge John Marnocha will appoint the special prosecutor. Once the appointed prosecutor qualifies for the case and is approved by counsel, the trials will continue. The special prosecutor will come from one of the other 89 judicial districts in Indiana and the trials

Jensen

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A Notre Dame student helps herself Tuesday evening to fondue at South Dining Hall in celebration of Mardi Gras.

Student contracts meningitis

By HELENA PAYNE **News** Editor

A local hospital is treating an off-campus Notre Dame student for meningitis, according to University Health Services.

The student became ill Sunday night with a fever and a headache after she returned from a weekend trip. Her housemates took her to the hospital, where she was diagnosed with meningitis, an inflammation of the brain or spinal cord membranes that is contracted through oral and nasal secretions.

Since the student has not been on campus since Wednesday, Health Services workers are confident that few students are at risk of having meningitis, said assistant director Pat Brubaker. They estimate a total of six people, including her five housemates, have had contact with her

since her contraction of a bacterial form of the disease.

"We assume because the symptoms began three days [after she went out of town], she might have caught it from somewhere else," Brubaker said.

Brubaker said it was likely that the student had contracted one of the most common types of bacterial meningitis, Neisseria meningitis, which has no vaccine.

Doctors have treated the student with antibiotics, according to Brubaker.

Health Services alerted the Notre Dame campus in an e-mail Monday. Brubaker said about 50 students have called the office with concerns about whether they could get the disease if they knew one of the six people who had immediate contact with the student.

"This is not one of those germs that can be passed from a secondary contact," Brubaker said, adding that those who had contact with her received a different type of antibiotic than the student.

Brubaker encouraged all students to get immunized against the strains of meningitis that do have vaccines, pointing out that incidents of meningitis are highest among babies and college freshmen.

"It's best to catch it early," she said.

The last reported local college case of meningitis occurred two years ago when Jenny Nemeth, a Holy Cross student, died of bacterial meningitis.

Brubaker said the current case has caused less panic on campus because fewer students were exposed to the student than two years ago and the current student was quickly treated.

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Four former Notre Dame football players accused of sexually assaulting a Notre Dame student in spring 2002 await the naming of a special prosecutor, which could possibly further delay their trials.

Former prosecutor Chris Toth filed multiple charges against Lorenzo Crawford, Donald Dykes, Abram Elam and Justin Smith last summer. **Current prosecutor Michael** Dvorak acquired the cases

when he entered the prosecutor's office this January. Dvorak's office filed a petition Feb. 26 asking for a special prosecutor to be named due to a conof flict

interests. Ken Cotter, chief deputy prosecutor, formerly represented Crawford. Another chief deputy prosecutor worked in Tony Zappia's office, which represents Smith.

Mike Gotsch, chief deputy prosecutor, said, "In the long run it is better to [request a special prosecutor] than to turn the case over later in appeal. We want to make sure it is assigned to someone who can handle the case properly."

Gotsch said the prosecutor's office would normally make the request and provide a sug-

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change of venue. The special prosecutor would then have discretion over the case and decide whether to the drop charges, accept a plea

will remain in

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or pursue the trials.

Gotsch said the time frame of the trials could be delayed depending on the length of time until the special prosecutor is named.

Elam's trial is currently scheduled to begin March 31 and is the first of the four, with Smith's and Crawford's trials scheduled for April 28 and June 2 respectively. A new trial date has not been set for Dykes' case.

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Wednesday, March 5, 2003

Inside Column The 'hood

It was always a beautiful day in his neighborhood, but in most places, people barely nod at the family next door. The recent death of Fred Rogers signals a close in the chapter of the American community, but by practicing the same margin

the same morals "Mr. Rogers" held, we can turn the pages and write a new story that revives his neighborhood.

In the world of Mr. Rogers, everyone was special from Mr. McFeely, the mailman, to the puppets of the Neighborhood of Make-Believe. Fred Rogers, who was 74, was a mild-

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Helena Payne

News Editor

mannered Presbyterian minister from Pittsburgh who taught his young viewers to respect individuals and how to deal with life's tragedies.

His neighborhood was a small utopia, but today, people rarely have time to sit back and appreciate their communities. When is the last time most Americans have even smiled at the person who delivers their mail or invited him or her in for hot chocolate in the winter or lemonade in the summer?

Unfortunately, it's hard to trust the mailman when sometimes you can't even trust the person sending the package.

From 1963 until 2000, "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood" welcomed children to a place where people learned to appreciate each other and conflict was settled through dialogue.

I'll be honest. Sometimes "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood" wasn't exciting enough for me. People rarely had anything contrary to say and if there was conflict, it was always resolved in the designated time span. Also, I found it hard to believe that Mr. Rogers was never too busy for the random locals who would visit him. At least Sesame Street had a Grouch. Even so, I compare Mr. Rogers' neighborhood with American communities today and ask if more parts of American society will be able to develop into such a place. Will the family of three living out of a car be able to park on the streets of that neighborhood? Will the working teenage mother be able to get a loan to move into the home next door? And how will the old grandfather who lives alone in an apartment building be able to find out how to get to Mr. Roger's neighborhood if he has no one to accompany him there? The more I hear about the global issues of war, racial and ethnic conflict and poverty, I wonder if we can aspire to such an ideal as the Mr. Roger's neighborhood at the local level. Soon, we will go on spring break. Some will return home, some will go on trips and some will remain in the area. Wherever we spend that week free of classes, we should reflect on what we can do to make our communities — "our," meaning communities of the world and not exclusively one's own - better. Maybe with a collective effort, we will no longer look to the television for an ideal model of community. Rather, we can build our own beautiful neighborhoods.

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e	The Graduate Student Union moved forward with plans to host an end-of-the-year gala by deciding on which charity its event would sup- port Tuesday.	The Bush admin- istration suggested it would not press for a U.N. vote to support the war if it would be defeat- ed.	For the first time, Martha Stewart's company reported a quarterly loss.	Professor Keir Lieber lays out the reasons for why a just war in Iraq could be possible.	The Onion inter- views the most infamously persis- tent entertainers from the past two decades.	Notre Dame ral- lied from a 21-point deficit before falling to Syracuse 92-88 in the last home basketball game for the Irish seniors.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

◆ Ash Wednesday Mass, 11:30 a.m., Sacred Heart Basilica

◆ Student Senate, 6 p.m., LaFortune Ballroom

- ◆ The Vagina Monologues, 7:30 p.m., Washington Hall
- ◆ Last Lecture Series with Professor Asma Afsaruddin, 8 p.m., Siegfried Hall

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

◆ ND/SMC Tax-Assistance Program, 3 p.m., Haggar College Center, room 303

◆ Irish Dance Lessons, 5:30 p.m., Madeleva Hall, room 231NE/NW

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

NDSP finds cell phone in Lyons Hall A cellular phone was found Monday in Lyons Hall.

Police return license, money to owner A license and money were found Monday in the C1 parking lot and returned to the owner.

Student illegally parks in faculty lot A student's vehicle was towed Monday for parking in the B1 faculty/staff south lot.

Student falls and goes to hospital

Notre Dame Security/Police took a student to St. Joseph Medical Center Monday to treat injuries after a fall.

NDSP investigates hacker accusations A visitor reported Monday that a hacker invaded his computer. NDSP is investigating the case.

Worker suffers from injuries

NDSP took a student Monday to the University Health Center for treatment of injuries sustained during a fall at a Food Services Support Facility.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Helena Payne at payne.30@nd.edu

CORRECTIONS

Ysmael Fonseca's name incorrectly appeared in the Feb. 26 "Hear Our Voice" ad on pages 14 and 15.

The Observer regards itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error. Adult Children of Alcoholics Meeting, Madeleva Hall, room 317N

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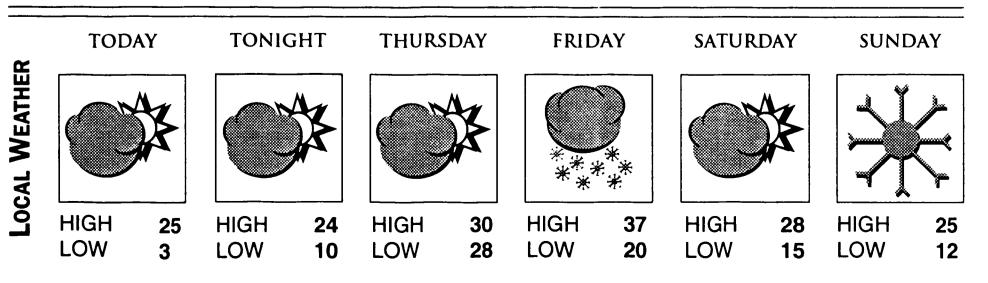
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Today Dinner: Tortellini with basil cheese sauce, cioppino sauce, bianco pizza, chicken strips, macaroni and cheese, green beans, cherry crisp, tofu jerk, lentil and barley stew, baked sweet potatoes, Oriental vegetables, vegetable potato casserole, BBQ chicken Information not available. For more information check: http://food.nd.edu

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Speaker recalls drunk driving experience

By MATT BRAMANTI News Writer

The tragic aftermath of drunk driving was the topic of Tuesday's presentation entitled "DUI: A Powerful Lesson."

Mark Sterner recalled his spring break trip in 1994, when he was behind the wheel in a drunk-driving accident that left three of his friends dead and one injured.

Sterner, then a 21-year-old senior at Johnson and Wales University in Rhode Island, was seriously injured in the crash. His blood alcohol level was at .17. more than twice the legal limit of .08.

Sterner showed a home video of the friends made the night of the accident. The five, all members of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, had spent their spring break week on Sanibel Island, Fla.

For the first five days of the trip, the students took turns acting as designated driver. But on the last night, they decided that "whoever the least drunk person was, that would be who drove us home," Sterner said.

The video showed the friends laughing and drinking.

"We were just guys dancing with no rhythm and no moves," Sterner said.

The tape goes on to show the group driving erratically, reaching speeds of 100 miles per hour. Sterner left the room during the video, and reappeared in an orange prison-issue jumpsuit with "Lee County Jail" printed on the back.

Following the video, which ends about 15 minutes before the accident. Later that night, as the group was returning home from a bar, their rented Lincoln went off the road and struck a tree at about 60 miles per hour. Four of the vehicle's occupants - including Sterner — were ejected. One passenger was crushed to death in the mangled car, and two were instantly killed when they struck a tree.

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Sterner recalled waking up in the hospital, nearly two weeks after the accident.

"I didn't know where I was or how I got there," he said.

He soon received the news of his friends' deaths. While still recovering in the hospital, he was charged with three counts of manslaughter, carrying a possible maximum sentence of 45 years in prison.

"It was the only time in my life I've seen my father cry," Sterner said.

He was found guilty and sentenced to two years in prison and twelve years probation. He recalled his daily prayers for safety during his incarceration.

"Prison is over, probation will be over, but...my nightmares will never go away," Sterner said.

Sterner urged students not to make his mistake.

"You've heard the saying 'time heals all wounds.' If you've ever lost anyone close to you, you know that's not true," he said. "When you go away on spring break, come back."

PILLARS and the Office of Drug and Alcohol Education sponsored this presentation.

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Study reveals freshman views

ND students are more politically aware, less social

By WILL PUCKETT News Writer

Freshmen at Notre Dame are more interested in politics and other academic pursuits, while being less interested in partying, smoking and drinking, as compared to national averages, according to a recently released nationwide survey.

The survey, headed by the American Council on Education and the Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA, attempts to take stock of many different areas of student life, academically, socially, economically and morally.

While various elements of the University may look at the results and evaluate them as they see fit, there is evidently no further use of the survey's report at Notre Dame.

"While the First Year program and other various groups do keep an eye on the trends and where students stand on issues, there's really nothing more to it than that," said Dennis Brown, associate director of news and information.

Brown did note that Notre Dame has participated in the survey and received results each year since the survey's inception in 1966, and that it is a widely recognized survey.

Notre Dame first-year students indicated a level of

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interest in politics higher than the national average. Fifty percent of Notre Dame's class of 2006 said they consider following politics "essential" or "very important," compared with 33 percent of freshmen at other institutions.

The national statistic in this category rose 2 percent last year, and Notre Dame freshmen have shown an increase of 3 percent over the last five years.

Overall political activism has also risen, according to the survey. The figure of Notre Dame students who think it is highly important to influence the political structure has jumped, with 21 percent of the freshman class agreeing this year, compared with only 19 percent in 1997.

Senior political science major Chuck Lamphier said the figures were consistent with the current political mood of the nation.

"I keep pretty up to date on politics ... and I'm not surprised. I think with war looming, students are being more politically conscious and active," he said.

The survey also indicated Notre Dame freshmen as departing from national averages in a variety of other cate-

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as abortion and the death penalty are more offensive to first-year students here than elsewhere. Abortion was opposed by 68 percent of freshmen, as compared with the national average of 54 percent, and the death penalty was opposed by 55 percent, as compared with 32 percent.

Smoking among freshmen at Notre Dame is much lower than the average on college campuses across the nation, with 1 percent of freshmen reporting frequent smoking, compared with 7 percent nationally.

Drinking statistics were more in line with national norms, while still being below average. Nationwide, 53 percent of freshmen consumed wine or liquor and 46 percent drank beer. At Notre Dame, those numbers are 46 percent and 41 percent. respectively.

One possible reason for the slight dip in numbers is the 42 percent of first-year students who indicated they partied not at all or less than one hour a week during their senior year of high school, as opposed to 36 percent nationally.

Brown said that most of the changes in the statistics could be ascribed to shifting interests

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cess, with 94 percent indicating chances are very good that they will graduate. Eighty percent expect to receive at least a "B" average and 87 percent predict they will be satisfied with the University.

Freshman engineering student Eric Carolan thought the study's numbers sounded reasonable.

"Most students here do seem to be fairly confident of their academic success and seem to have reason to be," he said.

More than double the national average of freshmen said they expected to participate in international study programs — 44 percent at Notre Dame compared to 21 percent nationally — possibly due to the attention the University draws to the opportunity students have to study abroad during their undergraduate years.

Controversial issues such

tics," he said, adding that there are several factors that change public opinion, such as the possible war with Iraq, the ongoing war on terrorism, global economic problems and hotly contested national elections.

Brown also advised that people should take the results within its context.

"The survey is scientific and very well done, but it's still only a survey," he said.

The ACE survey is designed to profile the political and social views - and the socioeconomic backgrounds — of America's college freshmen. This year's survey is based on the responses of 282,549 firstyear, full-time students at 437 four-year colleges and universities, including more than 1,700 members of Notre Dame's 2002-2003 freshman class.

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GRADUATE STUDENT UNION

Members approve gala charity event

By ANDREW THAGARD News Writer

The Graduate Student Union moved forward with plans to host an end-of-the-year gala by approving the charity the event would support during their meeting Tuesday.

Representatives considered six possible charities researched by Eugene Walls, human diversity committee chairperson, including La Casa de Amistad, Reins of Life, Refugee and **Immigration Services of South** Bend, the YWCA Women's Shelter, Sex Offense Services and the South Bend Center for the Homeless.

After minimal debate, representatives selected Refugee and **Immigration Services of South** Bend. The YWCA Women's Shelter came in a close second.

The event is scheduled to take place April 25 at the downtown South Bend Marriott's grand ballroom. GSU anticipates that 400 people will attend and it will raise \$2,000 for the charity from ticket sales and a raffle with prizes donated from area merchants. GSU has also signed a contract with the Cardinal Bus Company to provide transportation to and from the event.

"[GSU representatives] will certainly be seeing more on this as the month goes on," said Tim Dale, president of GSU. "I'm really hoping to generate interest. I'm encouraging you to talk this up within your departments.'

Invitations for the event will be mailed out to all graduate students at the end of the

tion decreasing the maximum amount of reimbursement allowed under the organization's conference presentation grant committee. Graduate students attending conferences had

been able to file for reimbursement for up to \$550 of their travel expenses. The new amount is \$500.

"This doesn't sound like a lot but if five people [are reimbursed] \$500 instead of \$550, we can pay for another trip,' Dale said.

Representatives also agreed to reiterate GSU's policy, which requires that applicants request reimbursement from their departments before filing an application. In the past, several departments encouraged graduate students to approach GSU first.

◆ GSU Co-Vice President Misty Schieberle updated the Council on Grad-Tax Lobbying Day, a nationwide event held in Washington, D.C. last month to encourage Congress to reinstate tax exemption status for graduate student stipends.

Currently, graduate students are focusing their attention on several "target" Congressmen who they believe may support such a bill. These include Charles Grassley, R-IA, Dianne Feinstein, D-CA, and Rick Santorum, R-PA, in the Senate and Bill Thomas, R-CA, Mark Foley, R-FL, Ben Cardin, D-MD, Sandy Levin, D-MI, Phil English, R-PA and Rob Portman, R-OH, in the House of Representatives.

"If anyone has any contact or lives in the state where these major senators and representatives live, please write a letter,' Schieberle said.

Filmaker visits Saint Mary's

By SARAH NESTOR Saint Mary's Editor

Freelance filmmaker Hope Hall visited Saint Mary's Tuesday, showing three of her short documentary films and discussing her craft and life. Hall's presentation, "The Craft of Creative Nonfiction Filmmaking," featured her films, "This is for Betsy Hall," "10 Seconds in Our Life" and the "Art of the Motorcycle."

Although Hall focuses on creating documentaries she said that a line could not be drawn between what is considered fic-

tion and what is nonfiction. Honorable Mentions at the According to Hall, all films are subjective.

"You can't ever really get anything [that is] real when the camera is there," Hall said.

Hall began her professional film career at VH1, working on the one-hour "Behind the Music" segments but found that she did not enjoy this.

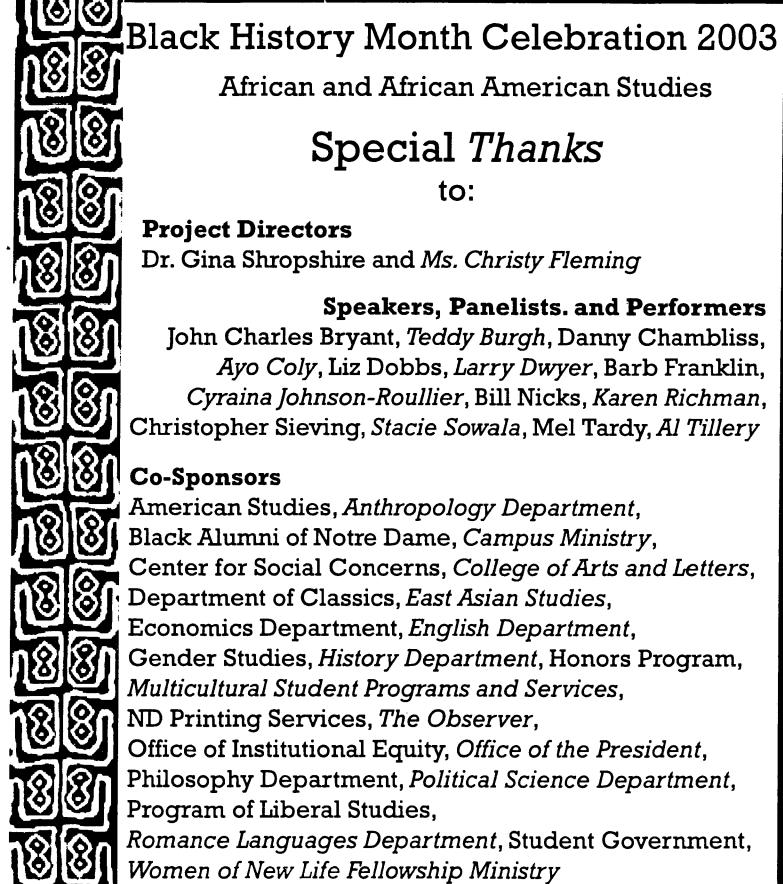
"It was disastrous for me to work in a place where no one cared about what they were making and were just following a formula," Hall said.

Hall's most recognized work is the short film "This is for Betsy Hall," which received

Sundance Film Festival. The film is about Hall's biological mother's struggle with anorexia and bulimia. The film gives only a glimpse of the painful impact that her mother's diseases has had on her family and daughter, which she abandoned and how this has affected the daughter and family she left behind years before.

Hall is based in New York City and has worked with the Guggenheim Museum and MTV on recent projects.

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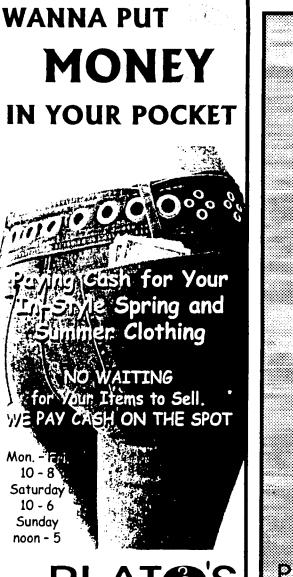


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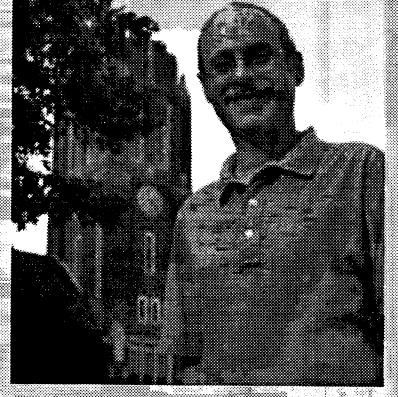
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Bush administration softens on resolution stance

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

With other nations' opposition hardening, the Bush administration left open the possibility Tuesday that it would not seek a United Nations vote on its warmaking resolution if the measure was clearly headed for defeat.

U.S. troop strength in the Persian Gulf neared 300,000, and President Bush and his advisers were looking beyond the diplomatic showdown in the U.N. to make plans for a public relations buildup to potential war with Iraq.

One option under serious consideration was Bush giving Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein a final ultimatum, perhaps with a shortterm deadline, in an address next week, two senior White House officials said.

The officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, stressed that a variety of options are on the table and all depend on the outcome of a U.N. Security Council debate on the U.S.-backed war resolution. In a new blow, Russia's top diplomat said Moscow may use its veto against the measure.

Even without a veto from Russia, China or France, the United States still doesn't have the nine votes needed to win approval of the resolution, according to both supporters and opponents. Many undecided council members are looking for a compromise.

Secretary of State Colin Powell, in an interview with RTL televi-

sion of Germany, said that early next week U.S. leaders would "make a judgment on whether it's time to put the resolution up to a vote." But he also said the United States was inclined to push for a vote "in the absence of compliance on the part of Saddam Hussein."

At the White House, spokesman Ari Fleischer said, "The vote is desirable. It is not necessary."

Once the vote is resolved one way or another, Bush will intensify his case for war, officials said, barring unforeseen events such as Saddam suddenly disarming or going into exile.

In addition to a possible address, they have discussed a presidential news conference and a Cabinet meeting as ways for Bush to communicate his plans to the nation next week. He may stop short of a specific ultimatum, officials said, but would make it clear that war is imminent in other ways, such as warning journalists and humanitarian workers to get out of Iraq.

Meanwhile, Bush telephoned leaders of India and Egypt to discuss his plans. And officials said Powell had had two telephone conversations and a one-on-one meeting in recent days with Mexican Foreign Minister Luis Ernesto Derbez in his search for Mexican support.

The Army's oldest armored division, "Old Ironsides," got its orders to head for the Persian Gulf, and Pentagon officials said U.S. land, sea and air forces were approaching 300,000 in the



Reuters

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U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell waves outside the State Department in Washington Tuesday. Powell said that the the U.S. will probably push a vote on the war resolution at an opportune time if Saddam Hussein does not comply with U.N. regulations.

region.

Tommy R. Franks, the commander who would lead the war. met at the Pentagon with Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and was to consult with Bush on Wednesday.

Still to be resolved was the military question of whether Turkey would allow its territory to be used for U.S. ground forces to

open a northern front against Fleischer said. Iraq.

At the White House, Fleischer said Turkey would lose a proposed \$15 billion aid package unless it went along.

"The particular package that we've been talking to them about was predicated on assistance and cooperation in any plan for the use of force against Iraq,"

Until Tuesday, the spokesman had suggested part of the package would be available to Turkey regardless of whether 62,000 American troops are allowed in the country. White House officials said they were turning up pressure on Turkey in hopes that the parliament would grant the U.S. request on a second vote.

Backpack bomb kills 21, injures 145 in Philippine airport

Associated Press

MANILA A bomb planted inside a backpack ripped through an airport terminal in the southern Philippines on Tuesday, killing at least 21 people — including an American missionary — and injuring 145 in the nation's worst terrorist attack in three years.

The blast comes at a time of heightened debate over the role of U.S. troops in the war on terror in the Philippines, where Muslim insurgents have battled the government for decades with attacks, bombings and kidnappings.

Three Americans — a Southern Baptist missionary and her two young children — were among the wounded. Two of the 147 who were injured many of them in serious condition died overnight to bring the death toll to 21. There were no details on the most recent deaths but the earlier fatalities included a boy, a girl, 10 men and seven women.

President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, who invited U.S. troops to help train Filipino soldiers in counterterrorism. said the bombing at Davao airport on Mindanao island was "a brazen act of terrorism which shall not go unpun-

ished."

President Bush condemned the attack as a "wanton terrorist act" and sent condolences to the people of the Philippines, his press secretary Ari Fleischer said.

"The president notes that the bombing underscores the seriousness of the terrorist threat in the southern Philippines, and he emphasizes that the Philippines have been a stalwart partner of the United States in the war against terror," Fleischer said.

No one claimed responsibility for the blast, but Arroyo said "several men" were detained. The military has blamed Moro Islamic Liberation Front rebels for

a string of attacks, including a car bombing at nearby Cotabato airport last month that killed one man.

U.S. special forces are training Philippine soldiers in counter-terrorism tactics in the city of Zambcanga, about 250 miles west of the scene of Tuesday's attack.

Eid Kabalu, spokesman for the rebel group, which has been fighting for Muslim self-rule in the predominantly Roman Catholic Philippines for more than three decades, denied his group was responsible. He condemned the attack and said the group was ready to cooperate in an investigation.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

N. Korea: confrontation threat growing: After North Korean fighter jets intercepted a U.S. reconnaissance plane, the communist country said Tuesday the threat of armed confrontation on the Korean Peninsula was growing because of what it called U.S. aggression. North Korea did not comment on the interception of the plane. Its state-run media instead criticized annual U.S.-South Korean military exercises that began Tuesday, saying they were preparation for an attack.

U.N. draws up secret after-Saddam plan:

The United Nations has secretly drawn up a plan to establish a post-Saddam Hussein government in Iraq if U.S.-led forces invade the country and drive him out of power, a newspaper reported Wednesday. The London Times said the plan was produced over the past month, as U.N. officials discussed Saddam's compliance with the world body's demand that he destroy his weapons of mass destruction, and as U.S. and British forces amassed in the Persian Gulf for a possible war if he fails to do so.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Bush Medicare plan gets cool reception:

Republican lawmakers showed the same disdain for President Bush's latest Medicare prescription drug plan Tuesday as they did his first one a month ago, promising that after two failed attempts by the White House they will write their own plan with bigger benefits for older Americans. The administration spent the day explaining facets of the proposal, which offers a general outline but leaves specifics to Congress. At the center of it is a plan to offer older people seniors increased prescription drug coverage if they join HMOs or other private health plans.

Relatives sue over nightclub tragedy:

Relatives of two people killed in the Rhode Island nightclub fire sued the band Great White and the club's owners Tuesday in what is believed to be the first lawsuit filed over the deadly blaze. The wrongful death suit was filed by the families of Tina Ayer, 33, of Warwick and Donald Rodrigues, 46, of Fall River, Mass.

Molten aluminum found on shuttle tiles: Molten aluminum was found on Columbia's thermal tiles and inside the leading edge of the left wing, bolstering the theory that the shuttle was destroyed by hot gases that penetrated a damaged spot on the wing, the accident investigation board said Tuesday. Roger Tetrault, a board member, said he suspects the melting occurred because of the penetrating gases and also because of the intense heat of falling through the atmosphere.

Panel calls on Pa. governor for moratorium:

Executions should be stopped in Pennsylvania until the state can study how race affects death penalty sentences, a committee appointed by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court said in a report released Tuesday. The 550-page report by the Committee on Racial and Gender Bias in the Justice System calls on Gov. Ed Rendell and the court to order the moratorium. Blacks make up 62 percent of Pennsylvania's 242 death row inmates but only 10 percent of the state's general population.

By ANNELIESE WOOLFORD News Writer

In honor of Women's Month, several Saint Mary's student groups sponsored "Take Back the Night," an annual event to raise awareness of sexual violence.

"It's basically reclaiming ground saying that we should be allowed to do what we want without repercussions or fearing sexual assault," said junior Jackie Zins, primary organizer of the event. "It helps raise awareness on our campus and

shows that we won't tolerate it." Take Back the Night marches and similar events have occurred since the 1970's, said Catherine Pittman, faculty advisor to Campus Alliance for Rape Elimination.

"They are an active way to protest the fact that women don't feel safe and a way of expressing their resentment of having to give up their freedom," she said. "Women want the night back, and they join together with men to try to reclaim it during these marches."

Tuesday's march began at 6:45 p.m. outside of LeMans

Hall. A group of approximately 20 women visited areas on campus to pray and share readings. During the walk, participants chanted, sang and lit candles to display their encouragement.

A rally and bonfire were held at 7:45 p.m. at the Saint Mary's soccer field. Patrick Drury, advocate and coordinator from Sex Offense Services of Madison Center and Hospital, spoke at that time.

Drury talked about the problem of sexual assault and the effect it has on everyone.

"It happens to us, to loved ones and to people we care about," he said. "It's not just a women's issue, it's a human's issue. If men aren't involved as part of the solution, then the problem will never truly be solved."

Although Drury had participated in other Take Back the Night events, this was his first at Saint Mary's.

"I think it's a wonderful program. It's a great way to give survivors a chance to be supported," he said.

Following the speech, anyone who had been targeted with sexual violence was invited to share her experience. Trained SOS volunteers were available for addi-

tional support.

Based on the success of the past two years, Pittman is optimistic that the event will continue to be a tool helping women safely fight against sexual violence.

"Women who have been assaulted often show up at these marches without telling anyone what has happened to them," she said. "I have had students tell me that it is a very healing experience."

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Lecture focuses on Catholic scandals

By NATALIE BAILEY News Writer

Margaret O'Brien Steinfels, former editor of Commonweal and current member of the Catholic Common Ground Initiative, focused on the recent problems the Catholic Church has had with sexual abuse in her opening lecture for the Center for Spirituality's Lenten Lecture Series on "The Suffering from Self-Inflicted Wounds: Church Concerns."

"Over the past year we have become aware of the suffering that the Church inflicts upon its members," O'Brien Steinfels said. "Including the children who were abused, the parents of the victims and the priests who suffer from guilt and remorse."

O'Brien Steinfels reported having expericaused by Vatican appointees." O'Brien Steinfels placed most of the blame on the bishops.

She called all Catholics to support efforts of thorough investigation and documentation of every incident, to implement a checks-and-balances system within the Church structure and to lobby for better bishops.

"Bad bishops undermined and destroy the fundamental ideals of the church," she said. "Rome cannot say bishops are the successors of the apostles and then appoint those who cannot fill their sandals."

The lack of Vatican involvement in the crisis concerned O'Brien Steinfels.

"I continue to believe that the Vatican has not fully absorbed their role in this crisis," she said. "This scandal is as much about the abuse of children as it is about the

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power."

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enced a keen sense of loss and stinging sense of betrayal in the audiences she has spoken with about this topic.

"Faith is dist i n c t l y Catholic," she

said. "And our confidence in this has been deeply shaken."

O'Brien Steinfels wanted to bring an awareness and understanding to the current situation of the Church.

"It is hard to grasp how naive we have been about Church leaders," she said. "Our confidence was displaced."

This speech came one year after the Boston Globe began to expose the scandal.

"This crisis was not caused by the media, victims or anti-Catholics," she said. "It was

"It is hard to grasp how naive we have been about our Church leaders."

Margaret O'Brien Steinfels lecturer

> "Make an effort to inform the Vatican of the seriousness of this problem," she said.

This was the first of three lectures the Sisters of the Holy Cross will sponsor this Lent.

The next Lenten Lecture will be March 18 at 12:15 p.m. Pauline Viviano, theology professor at Loyola University Chicago, will speak on the topic "From Punishment to Redemption: Suffering in the Bible."

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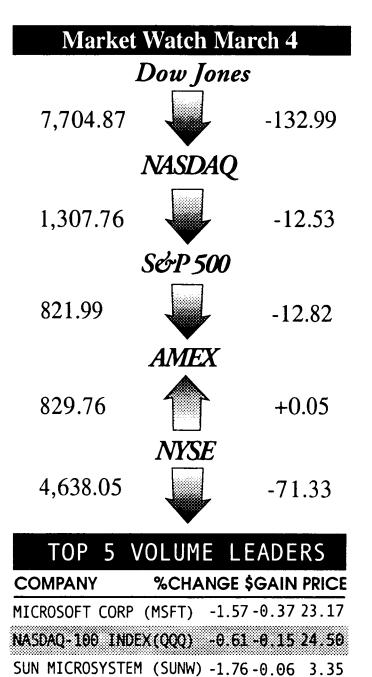
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Martha Stewart Living suffers

Company reports first-ever quarterly loss

Associated Press

NEW YORK The insider trading investigation surrounding Martha Stewart is taking a toll on her namesake company, contributing to the media and retailing company's first-ever quarterly loss and projections of larger losses ahead.

Among the fallout at Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia: an expected 25 percent decline in advertising pages at the company's flagship Martha Stewart Living magazine during the first three months of this year.

"Certain advertisers are opting to wait until they see the resolution of the investigations involving Martha before committing to run pages," company president and chief operating officer Sharon Patrick said Tuesday during a conference call to discuss the company's fourth quarter earnings and outlook for the first quarter.

For three months ending Dec. 31, the company lost \$2.0 million, or 3 cents per share, in contrast to a profit of \$5.7 million, or 13 cents per share, in 2001. The results marked the first time the company has reported a net loss for any quarter since it went public in 1999. Excluding a \$7.7 million restructuring charge related to its Internet/direct commerce division, the company earned 6 cents per share in the fourth quarter — putting it ahead of the 3 cents per share that analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had forecast on a comparable basis. But the company warned of more difficulties ahead, saying it expects a firstquarter loss of 6 cents to 8 cents per share. Analysts were looking for a profit of 3 cents a share in the first quarter. Along with the ad



Martha Stewart appears at the Magazine Editors' Awards dinner Jan. 29 in New York. An insider trading investigation has hurt her comapny's performance. page decline, the company to know whether Stewart be negatively impacted."

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SEC asked to probe bankers trust

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Two House lawmakers have asked the Securities and Exchange Commission to investigate tax schemes designed by Bankers Trust, one of several outside advisers to Enron Corp. that helped the failed energy merchant inflate its reported income by millions. Bankers Trust was among the investment banks, accounting firms and law firms that advised the now-bankrupt energy-trading company on the complex transactions that stretched the legal boundaries of the tax code.

Auto stocks slide in demand slump

Shares of the world's largest automakers and their suppliers slumped Tuesday after U.S. vehicle sales for February came in below expectations a day earlier and a top industry analyst said vehicle demand may slump in the United States for several years. Deutsche Bank Securities analyst Rod Lache on Tuesday lowered his stock ratings for General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co., as well as suppliers Delphi Corp. and Visteon Corp., from "hold" to "sell." "Recent developments have led us to become increasingly pessimistic on the downside risk to profitability for U.S. automakers over the next few years," Lache said in a research report.

United OKs more employee stock sales

United Airlines said Tuesday it would allow the sale of a third of its remaining employeeheld shares, retaining a key tax benefit but setting the stage for the demise of its controversial employee stock ownership plan. Citing IRS assurances that the sale would not jeopardize a huge tax write-off it needs to help in its recovery, the bankrupt carrier said State Street Bank & Trust could sell an additional 3.9 million shares of stock in United parent UAL Corp. But United indicated the stock sales are likely to lower the employee ownership level below 20 percent, triggering "sunset" provisions that would eliminate key elements of the 9-year-old employee stock ownership plan.

predicted a 20 percent drop in newsstand sales for Martha Stewart Living and a 20 percent decrease in revenues at the company's publishing division. The Internet/direct commerce division is also expected to post further losses.

Wall Street responded to the news by selling the stock. Shares of Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia fell 30 cents, or 4 percent, to \$7.25 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Founder and chief executive Martha Stewart said that although she is hopeful that the government investigation into her trading activities will be resolved soon, the issue continues to hurt business. Federal regulators want was trading on insider information when she sold shares of ImClone stock in December 2001. Stewart has denied any wrongdoing, but since the investigation became public in June, her company's stock price has tumbled more than 50 percent.

"2002 was an exceptionally difficult year for Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, and our disappointing fourth-quarter results reflect both a substantial negative impact of the ongoing governmental investigations relating to my personal sale of stock, as well as the generally unfavorable U.S. economy," Stewart said. "So long as the investigations are ongoing, our business segments will continue to Fourth-quarter revenues were \$77.6 million, compared to \$82.7 million in 2001, following declines in the company's publishing, television and Internet/direct commerce divisions.

TV revenues fell 33 percent — a loss the company attributed to the lack of a holiday TV special. Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia also is restructuring and reducing the operations for its Internet/direct commerce division, which lost nearly 18 percent in revenues in the fourth quarter. The restructuring, which involves refocusing catalog operations, should help the division break even by 2004 and turn a profit by 2005, the company said.

Housing market may slow down

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Tuesday that the high-flying housing market is likely to lose a bit of altitude this year. That could slow consumer spending, one of the economy's few bright spots, he cautioned.

A home-mortgage refinancing boom and rising home values have been key pillars supporting consumer spending, the main force keeping the economy going. Greenspan said an expected cooling on the refinancing and home appreciation fronts could turn homeowners into more cautious consumers.

"The frenetic pace of home equity extraction last year is likely to appreciably simmer down in 2003, possibly notably lessening support to household purchases of goods and services," Greenspan said in a speech delivered via a satellite video link to the Independent Community Bankers of America meeting in Orlando, Fla.

A copy of his speech was distributed in Washington.

Private economists largely agreed with Greenspan's assessment, saying that the super-brisk pace of refinancings and home-price appreciation seen in recent years probably will slow, which could restrain buying behavior.

Still, they also agreed with Greenspan's assessment that the housing market will remain healthy.

"Low mortgage rates still represent a stimulus to the housing market and there is still a population of people out there who are tempted to buy or refinance the home they own because of low mortgage rates," said Bill Cheney, chief economist at John Hancock.

"But in terms of growth rates in home refinancing, home sales and home values — you can't look for a whole lot of increase," he added.

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The case for a just war has been made

An international coalition led by the United States will soon use military force to disarm and oust Saddam Hussein's regime in Iraq. This war is necessary and justified on strategic, legal and moral grounds.

War is horrific and unpredictable. Military force should be used only after reasonable alternatives have been exhausted. Yet war is sometimes the least bad option. History offers tragic examples of what happens when good people avoid necessary wars. European appeasement of Hitler in 1938 might be ancient history to some, but the last decade witnessed the feckless response of the international community in both the Balkans (where Serb aggression left 200,000 Bosnians dead) and Rwanda (where 800,000 civilians were slaughtered).

The strategic need to disarm Iraq of weapons of mass destruction (WMD) is twofold. First, a nuclear-armed Saddam Hussein would pose huge risks to regional and global stability. Specifically, Saddam believes WMD would give him a freer hand to conquer his neighbors (as tried with Iran and Kuwait) and control the region's vast oil reserves. He might be deterred from using WMD directly against the U.S., but Saddam's record of reckless miscalculation is not encouraging.

The second strategic danger is that al Qaeda and other terrorists will acquire WMD in cooperation with Iraq and then use these weapons in a catastrophic attack. Deterrence logic does not apply to suicidal terrorists bent on murdering millions.

Critics dismiss the possibility of an al Qaeda-Iraq link on the

decision to disarm. Blix's most recent judgment: "The results in terms of disarmament have been very limited so far."

Disarmament through inspections has failed. The plea to "just give inspectors a chance" reveals collective amnesia or delusion about the last decade. The French demand for more

> inspections is particularly galling, given that France spent the 1990s undermining the inspection regime and signing oil contracts with Iraq.

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Similarly, the call to beef-up the inspection teams misconstrues the U.N.'s mission and mistakenly shifts the burden of proof from Saddam to the international community. Inspectors are in Iraq to review and confirm Iraq's voluntary disarmament, not to play hide-and-seek. The international community has tried everything within reason to enforce

Keir Lieber

the law — diplomacy, sanctions, embargoes, positive inducements and even limited air strikes. When war comes, it will have been long overdue.

A war against the Iraqi regime will be morally just. Ultimately one's own moral compass determines whether liberating the Iraqi people from the world's most brutally repressive dictator is a cause worth fighting for. The well-intentioned claim that the Iraqi people prefer the status quo to foreign intervention flies in the face of both logic and evidence.

Would mothers and fathers forced to watch their daughters raped by Saddam's henchmen oppose regime change? How much credence should we give to interviews with civilians who, under the gaze of Iraqi agents, pledge to defend Saddam? The voices of Iraqi dissidents who risked their lives to escape Saddam's bloody grip — and who are busy beseeching the U.S. and anyone else who will listen to help liberate their country — are a better barometer of the wishes of the Iraqi people. After a century of genocide and other massive violations of human rights, the just war tradition has established humanitarian intervention as a morally legitimate reason to wage war. According to just war scholar Michael Walzer, a dictatorial government deserves toppling when it "turns savagely upon its own people" and undertakes "actions which shock moral conscience." Saddam Hussein is responsible for over a million Iraqi deaths through torture, execution and war. In a country of just 22 million people, this level of brutality is almost unprecedented in modern history. It is particularly surprising and tragic that many anti-war demonstrators dismiss the moral obligation for regime change in Iraq. If a just war aims to block evil, restore peace and defend human rights, then Iraq is the model. No matter how bad things go in the war (and there are good reasons to be optimistic), it is hard to imagine that post-Saddam Iraq will not be a much freer, safer and better place to live. War in Iraq is necessary, legal and morally justified. The war should be as multilateral as possible, fought with every effort to minimize civilian and military casualties and followed by a robust commitment to build democracy and improve the lives of the Iraqi people. But the time for war has come.



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grounds that Islamic extremists would not ally with a secular despot like Saddam. However, Osama bin Laden called for cooperation with Iraq to fight the "greater cause" against America, and Colin Powell presented concrete evidence of an active al Qaeda cell in Baghdad. Given Saddam's history of supporting terrorists, a growing al Qaeda-Iraq link is likely and troubling.

For some people no amount of evidence justifies war on strategic grounds. The rest of us must identify a tipping point where the risks of inaction outweigh the costs of preventive war. After Sept. 11, inaction based on underestimating the terrorist threat appears far riskier and deadlier.

The legal basis for disarming Iraq is clear and compelling. Saddam has failed to show that he has eliminated existing WMD programs and stockpiles. No serious observer believes Saddam is committed to disarmament. International law requires that he be disarmed by force.

In April 1991, at the end of the Gulf War, the U.N. Security Council passed Resolution 687, which demanded that Iraq eliminate its WMD programs. In Nov. 2002, after 11 years of Iraqi obstruction and deception and 15 additional resolutions demanding Iraqi compliance, the Security Council unanimously passed Resolution 1441. It offered Iraq a "final opportunity" to voluntarily disarm but stated that any false or incomplete claims by Iraq in its weapons declaration, combined with failure "at any time ... to cooperate fully," would constitute a "material breach" of the resolution and be met with "serious consequences" (diplomatic speak for war).

Chief U.N. inspector Hans Blix has since reported that Iraq submitted an incomplete weapons declaration, failed to cooperate on multiple issues, and has not made the fundamental Keir Lieber is an assistant professor in the Department of Political Science and faculty fellow at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and the Nanovic Institute for European Studies at Notre Dame.

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"You cannot simultaneously prevent and prepare for war."

Albert Einstein scientist

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Azteca Foods employees deserve better conditions

On Sept. 30, 2002, 63 (out of 90) Azteca Foods workers went on strike to protest poor working conditions, company mistreatment, along with Art Velasquez's refusal to negotiate with

them. Mr. Velasquez is the president and CEO of Azteca and is an alumnus on the Board of Directors for the University of Notre Dame and for the Institute for

Paul Graham

Another Perspective

Latino Studies. He is a well-respected philanthropist who has made positive contributions in Chicago and done much for the Notre Dame community, which is why his inaction at his own factory is all the more shocking.

The workers organized and overwhelmingly voted to form United **Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers** of America (UE) Local 1159 last April. For 20 years preceding this, they were represented by the Distillery Workers Local 3. This union was corrupt and is now under federal investigation. John Duff Jr., whose family runs the union, served 17 months in prison for embezzlement of union funds. It is popularly known that Mr. Velasquez referred to Local 3 as "his union." This puppet union did more to protect the company than workers, which resulted in poor working conditions, pay, benefits and more.

In 2000, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), a federal inspection agency, cited Azteca for 12 violations of safety code. Last fall, the company locked out inspectors for more than 3 weeks. When they were finally admitted into the factory, they still found two violations.

On Feb. 20, 2003, a temporary worker crushed his arm and hand in one of the machines and had to be rushed to Loyola Medical Center. Neither this worker nor any of the other workers knew how to shut the machine off.

To keep up with the machines, employees must maintain a rapid work pace, and accidents have become all too common. The company claims that they make more than 3 million tortillas a day. These machines are not only dangerous and lack safety guards, but also create intense heat. Josefina Bonilla told an audience of more than 50 Notre Dame students in February, "In the summer we are very sweaty. Some faint because they can not leave to get water." There are frequent burns from the machines and inadequate first aid kits. Many of the workers are forced to work in these conditions 12 hours a day, 6 days a week.

In addition to these conditions, the company does not recognize the seniority of its workers. Most of the employees have worked there for more than 12 years, and 1/3 of them have been with the company for more than 20 years. Despite the seniority and the tenure of most the workers, 2/3 make only \$9 an hour and 1/3 make \$10.75.

Azteca is not a struggling company: Its annual revenues are around \$33 million. The company can afford to improve conditions and pay. The workers helped build the company into what it is today. They have worked long hours at low wages and Mr. Velasquez has reaped massive profits. Yet despite their hard labor and commitment, Mr. Velasquez last year refused to meet with the new union. Negotiations began on May 14, 2002 but he refused to listen to workers and showed them little respect.

The workers are negotiating for raises, better retirement, sick days, grievance procedures and seniority in job transfers, shift preferences and overtime. Mr. Velasquez wants to make things worse. He wants to raise insurance costs by 32 cents an hour but only offer a 5 cent raise, cut seniority rights in new job openings and eliminate designated clean-up time at the end of shifts but still make workers perform clean-up duties off the clock.

In protest of Mr. Velasquez's attitude and disrespect, the workers went on strike. Two weeks into the strike, they called for the boycott on Azteca Foods products. These products are sold in Buen Provencho in the Huddle. The LaFortune workers were told by their supervisors to claim that the products are from Azteca's distributor.

Mr. Velasquez recently agreed to federal mediation. He agreed because the workers were planning a rally at a bank where he sits on the Board of Directors. The bank essentially gave him two options: Accept mediation or forfeit his position on its Board.

It is this type of positive influence that the Notre Dame community can have with Mr. Velasquez. Mediations begin today. Ask Mr. Velasquez to negotiate with his workers and to bargain with the workers in good faith. Sign the petition asking Mr. Velasquez to negotiate fairly, available at www.nd.edu/~psa /aztecaPSA.html. We can also send a message by boycotting his products on campus until he negotiates a fair deal with his workers. For information on the strike or the boycott, go to http://www.ranknfile-ue.org/ 1159azteca_home.html. The workers need our help.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Monologues' objectify

Remember death penalty's injustice during Lenten season

It's time to stand up for women; it's time to affirm the beauty and dignity of women everywhere. But in order to truly respect women as they demand and deserve, we cannot reduce them to a female body part, as "The Vagina Monologues" does so easily, masking the degradation of women under the false guise of "ending violence."

The premise behind the play may be valid and meaningful; raising awareness of violence against women is an important cause. However, the "Monologues" are the wrong means of accomplishing this goal, and in fact even counteract the effect of "ending" the perception of women as mere sexual objects. I have read the entire script; I am shocked that the women who perform these monologues are unable to see that they are becoming objects of lust and temptation for men.

The "Monologues" are pornography. Like the rest of the pornography in society (just look at MTV and you'll see pornography broadcast worldwide), they numb any sense of chastity or modesty left in our youth. By dwelling on the details of the acts, they make it seem okay or even natural for these women to have such experiences. They fail in their purpose and instead add to the abuse of women as sexual objects.

Some argue that these stories must be shared because they are "true;" they may be true, but I do not need to watch pornography to know that it's wrong. Likewise, I do not need to watch a murder and all of the gruesome details to know that violence is wrong. There are better ways to raise awareness of violence than pornographic plays; just go to the Snite. Women, do not stand up only for your vaginas; you are so much more than that. You are beautiful souls made in the image and likeness of God; stand up for your dignity.

Furthermore, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are both Catholic colleges and should appropriately follow Ex Corde Ecclesiae in obedience to the Catholic Church and to the Bishop of its diocese, for where the Church is, there Christ is. Like Mary, our greatest example of womanhood, we must humble ourselves and follow Christ in the Church. Finally, how can we address the needs of women to understand their sexuality? Christopher West will be coming to Notre Dame on April 25 to discuss Pope John Paul II's "Theology of the Body," affirming the dignity of the sexuality of women as children of God, not as mere sexual objects. This is true empowerment; see for yourself.

> Jim Lee junior Morrissey Manor March 4

As Catholics begin their Lenten journey, ashes are placed on foreheads to remember that from ashes we came and to ashes we will return. Today on campus, Campus Ministry, the Center for Social Concerns, the Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty, the Community of Sant, Egidio and ND/SMC Right to Life invites the Notre Dame community to make our Lenten beginning one of reflection, education and action on behalf of those marked with death in a manner more permanent than ash and are so marked by us and the legal system we espouse.

Current statistics do not present an argument that justice comes with the death penalty. From a study by Columbia University released in 2000: "68 percent of all death verdicts imposed and fully reviewed during the 1973-1995 study period were reversed by courts due to serious errors." Errors included incompetent legal counsel, racist or biased judges and jurors, police and prosecutors accused of professional impropriety and many cases of suppressed or manipulated evidence. In many states, appeals processes do not allow for the introduction of new or exculpatory evidence; this condemns many to relive the same error-riddled original trial experience over and again. Despite this, over 100 innocent people in the last 20 years have been exonerated after years spent on death row.

Moreover, as Judge Shelia Murphy has said, candidates for capital punishment are selected "from a fatal lottery among poor and minorities." The American Bar Association reports that 90 percent of death row inmates could not afford their own counsel at time of trial. While 82 percent of those on death row killed a Caucasian, people of color compose 50 percent of all murder victims. Further, 43 percent of inmates on death row are African-American though 12 percent of the general population are so.

And beyond the current social condition of our legal system, Catholics have a responsi-

bility to incorporate into their lives the teaching and action of Christ and the Church.

Following a dialogue with Church and civic leaders, as well as the witness and teaching of Sister Helen Prejean, who for many years has walked with death row inmates and the families of victims, John Paul II proclaimed in the Gospel of Life that cases where the death penalty may be justly and duly applied are "very rare, if not practically non-existent."

Our nation must endeavor to renew its legal structure, so that it "corresponds to the concrete conditions of the common good and are more in conformity to the dignity of the human person." This is a proclamation that comes from the heart of our Christian faith — God has created us in God's image, we have infinite worth. Our legal system may justly convict to uphold public order and protect; it may never condemn.

Here it might be well to reflect on the infinite mercy of Jesus on the cross; he began our canon of saints with the man condemned on his right: "Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom and truly I say to you, you shall be with me today in paradise." Injustice anywhere obscures the inherent self-worth of each human in society.

Please take some time to learn and reflect today. Try to sign the petition that will be available all over campus in dorms and dining halls to enact a moratorium on the death penalty here in Indiana. Consider other ways that you might become involved, such as contacting your local politicians and writing a prisoner on death row. And let us all pray for those on death row, for their victims and their families, for the people that guard and protect, and for an end to the injustice, indignity and disparity perpetuated by the practice of the death penalty in our time.

> Ricky Klee staff March 4

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Wednesday, March 5, 2002

'The Tenacity of the Cock

The Onion interviews the most infamously persistent entertainers from the pa

"Yes, we sold 15 million

records and made a

movie, but I was talking

into a lot of things, like

writing a slow song and

wearing baggy pants."

Vanilla Ice

Singer

By SARAH VABULAS Assistant Scene Editor

The Onion, a satirical weekly publication printed and posted online 47 times a year on Thursdays, comes through once again, proving that humor, even that of the most abrupt and crude variety, rules all. The Onion A.V. Club, the longstanding name for The Onion's entertainment section has released its first hard copy collection of the interviews featured weekly in The Onion, both on and

offline. "The Tenacity of Cockroach the Conversations with Entertainment's Most Enduring Outsiders" assembles 68 of its best interviews with prominent former celebrities, who in some cases desperately try to sneak their way back into the limelight of stardom.

The A.V. Club's interviews

are most commonly featured on The Onion Web site, or found on the back pages of The Onion hard copy newspaper. Over 1.5 million

people read both editions of The Onion on a weekly basis. This division of The Onion features Question & Answer interviews with entertainers, essays and reviews of movies, music and books, as well as the Savage Love column and the comic strips

"Red Meat" and "Pathetic Geek Stories."

The editor, Stephen Thompson, compiled the most popular and pungent interviews conducted for The Onion through the

made it."

Conan O'Brien

Talk Show Host

years, to form this highly "It's never over. You never entertainreally feel like you've ing, witty super-book of notorious proportions. The title of the book originates

from a quote found in the interview with Henry Rollins, a former actor, musician, and writer, who said, "I had 18

minutes instead of 15 because of tenacity, the will of the cockroach."

This book features, instead of the usual young, shining faces of the entertainment with The Onion.

The interviews date back up to 10 years ago, featuring everything from an interview with Lawrence Tureaud, more famously known as Mr. T, first print-

ed in October 1993, to more recent interviews with people like Kiss rock star Gene Simmons in March 2002. The book also

features John Waters, Tom Waits, Pam Grier, Chuck Jones, David Lee Roth, Joan Jeff, George Carlin, Conan O'Brien, Alice

Cooper, Vanilla Ice, "Weird Al" Yankovic and many more celebrities, who seemed more than ready and excited to jump back into the spotlight, if even for a moment. The collection boasts timeless conversations, grouped by tone to segue from anger and resignation to joy and contentment.

the ONION a.V.C



industry, the over 30, somewhat faded celebrities who were once in the public eye prominent and in Hollywood, now found forgotten by mainstream media and the general public. These entertainers and storytellers, thanks to The Onion A.V. Club, have once again found themselves offering colorful conversation and insight to the masses by reliving their glory days of fame and fortune.

These interviews reveal struggles from childhood years as well as highlight the pinnacle of each celebrity's career, while maintaining the puns and other hilarity expected from a publication associated

"I'm telling these guys, Why you gotta grab your crotch?' Then you see Michael Jackson grabbing his crotch 50 times. What's with him?"

> Lawrence Tureaud Mr. T

Also featured are five stops on the career path of Bob Odenkirk and David Cross, the masterminds of the HBO sketchcomedy series Mr. Show. These interviews appear in chronological order to provide something of a counter-narrative for their evolving

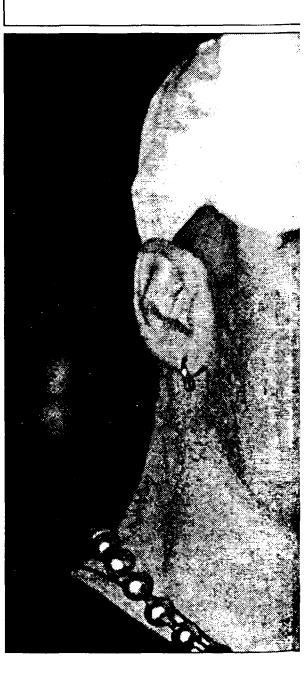
battles that shed light on dealings surrounding the struggle between entertainers for creative ideas in the television industry. "Weird Al" periodically jumps in to give his insight on his friends and heroes.

The interviews uncover many of the answers to the questionable rumors that have been floating around since the height of each icon's career, while presenting how each perceived the era and the events surrounding his or her fame.

The compilation provides fans a wonderful insight into the deeper thoughts and feelings of some once shy and taciturn celebrities, who during their reign would dismiss all rumors or alleged perceptions of the world around them. Or in the case of the more outspoken personality, the interviews provide a deeper look into the unanswered questions of the former notoriety in each of their lives.

"The Tenacity of the Cockroach — Conversations with Entertainment's Most Enduring Outsiders" by The Onion A.V. Club (Three Rivers Press, December 2002) can be purchased at any local bookstore or online at www.theonionavclub.com.

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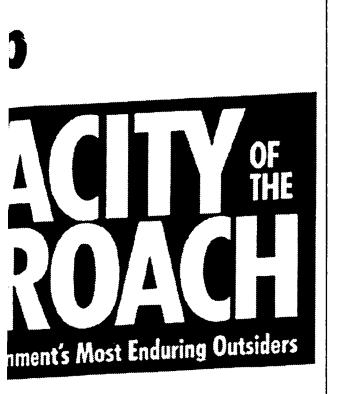


Singer Vanilla Ice, popular in the ea interviewed in The Onion's newest bc

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Audioslave rocks the Riviera

By MATT ZATORSKI Scene Writer

A 65-year-old woman walked on stage in front of roughly 1,500 screaming rock fans. "Are you ready for the best [expletive] band in the universe?" she said. The crowd responded with a resounding roar.

If seeing Tom Morello's mother come out before their performance wasn't enough, Audioslave made sure everyone in attendance got their money's worth with a setlist that included much of their debut album of the same name in addition to several new songs. Their performance at Chicago's Riviera Theatre Thursday was a bit of a departure for the members of Audioslave, who in previous musical lives played in front of tens of thousands of people. Fortunately, they still played as fried and as alive, with only the scenery changing.

Audioslave is the lovechild of two of the most important bands of the '90s. Chris Cornell formed Soundgarden in 1985 and over the course of 12 years repaved the rock landscape, selling over 20 million albums. With Tom Morello on guitar, Tim Commerford on bass and Brad Wilk behind the drum kit, Rage Against the Machine was arguably the most original, hard-rocking band to surface since Led Zeppelin founded heavy metal rock. Chris Cornell joined the remaining members of Rage Against the Machine in late 2001. After many jam sessions and even more rumors that their self-titled debut would never be released, Audioslave hit the shelves Nov. 19, 2002. Since its release, it has already sold well over 750,000 copies. Their two radio singles, "Cochise" and "Like a Stone," have had heavy radio airplay.

Audioslave has been destroying venues around country. the Opening with "Gasoline," the band ripped through the first three songs of the set, stopping for air only when some over-excited fans recovered from their fall into the gap between the barrier and the stage. The band played extremely well together, firing on all cylinders at a frenzied pace that the crowd could barely keep up with.

One of the highlights of the evening was Tom Morello's guitar

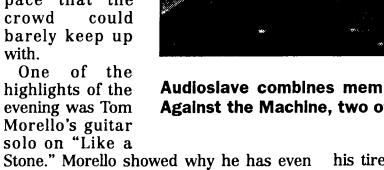




Photo courtesy of www.audioslave.com

Audioslave combines members of Soundgarden and Rage Against the Machine, two of the '90s top hard rock bands.

Stone." Morello showed why he has even his tired vocal chords. Commerford's rag-

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Photo courtesy of The Onion

Irly '90s, is one of the many celebrities ook "The Tenacity of the Cockroach."

With every show on the tour sold out,

garnered comparisons to Jimmy Hendrix, the ax-master himself. Morello, put quite simply, can summon any sound he wants from his guitar, making up technically for any shortcomings melodically. Cornell couldn't help smiling and bowing when Morello finished his wailing solo.

The band saved its other hit-single, "Cochise," for the closing of the encore, sending everyone off with a thrashing, four minute-long shakedown. Cornell proved his worth as a frontman, visiting every stop on the vocal highway as he shredded



Photo courtesy of www.mtv.com

Lead singer Chris Cornell, guitarist Tom Morello, bassist Tim Commerford and drummer Brad Wilks play to a full house. The band has sold out every venue on their tour.

ing baseline matched Morello's lead measure for measure as Audioslave emptied the tank in a simply great rock performance.

A surprise song was a cover of Funkadelic's "Super Stupid." Their group has integrated their song into their set, and will likely give a repeat performance at future shows. This cover was much better than any Soundgarden or Rage cover the band could have performed. Furthermore, it was evidence that the band is moving forward, not backward.

Audioslave's best songs of the night,

though, have not reached any ears on the radio. "Set It Off" and "Exploder" set the tone for the night as alternately heavy then melodic efforts. These two songs illustrate the breadth that Chris Cornell has brought to these groups of musicians, complementing their heavy styles with his harmonious temperament. Commerford alone has improved greatly, learning to align his baseline to a melody line, something he didn't have to do when backing up Zach de la Rocha.

With an upcoming slot on this summer's Lallapalooza, Audioslave will be able to bring their sound to those tens of thousands again. The band will be as big a hit in front of 80.000 fans as they were in front of a mere 1,500 at the Riviera in Chicago. All the members of Audioslave seem to be extremely happy with their current musical situation, making innovative rock for their fans and touring with each other. For anyone who owns Rage Against the Machine or Superunknown, seeing Audioslave live is something to look into. And if you missed them this time around, don't worry. You'll get a chance to see them again this summer.

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NCAA MENS BASKETBALL

Georgia upsets No. 3 Florida

Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga.

Georgia put aside all the distractions for one night at least.

Jarvis Hayes banked in a 12-footer with 14 seconds remaining and the 25th-ranked Bulldogs beat No. 3 Florida 82-81.

Florida (24-5, 12-3 Southeastern Conference) had a chance at a final shot, but Matt Walsh slipped trying to penetrate and David Lee couldn't get the ball off before the buzzer.

Georgia (18-8, 10-5) was playing its second game against a top three team in three days. On Sunday, the Bulldogs lost to No. 2 Kentucky 74-66.

More troubling, Georgia's program is under NCAA investigation because of charges made by a former player.

Tony Cole claims assistant coach Jim Harrick Jr. paid some of his bills and committed academic fraud. The son of head coach Jim Harrick was suspended with pay last week, but watched the game from a tunnel near the Georgia bench.

Earlier Tuesday, the elder Harrick denied all of Cole's allegations, calling him "a vindictive young man." The NCAA and the school are investigating, casting a pall over the Bulldogs with tournament time approaching.

Putting aside those troubles for a couple of hours, Georgia defeated the Gators in a thrilling game. The lead changed hands three times in the final 39 seconds, beginning with Ezra Williams' 3-pointer that put Georgia ahead 80-79.

Matt Bonner drove into the lane to hit a basket that put the Gators back on top, 81-80, with 23 seconds left. points and eight assists for the Longhorns (21-5, 12-3 Big 12), who went 14-0 this season at the Frank Erwin Center.

Texas lost five games at home last season and hadn't gone undefeated on its home court since 1994-95.

Matt Siebrandt scored 12 points for Kansas State (12-16, 3-12), which lost its 16th straight conference road game and sixth straight overall.

The win keeps Texas in the hunt for a bye in the Big 12 tournament. Sixth-ranked Kansas has already earned at least share of the league title and one of two first-round byes.

The other will be determined Saturday when Texas travels to border rival No. 5 Oklahoma, which beat Nebraska 76-51 Tuesday. Texas beat Oklahoma at home this season.

Longhorns fans chanted "Beat OU!" as the finals seconds ticked off against Kansas State.

The game had the look of a rout early as the Longhorns shot 53 percent the first half.

Oklahoma 76, Nebraska 51

Having taken care of a little preliminary business, No. 5 Oklahoma can look forward to some serious work.

The Sooners, chasing Kansas for the Big 12 title, beat Nebraska and now close out the regular season at home Saturday against No. 4 Texas. Oklahoma and the Longhorns are tied for second place and need a victory for any chance at catching the sixthranked Jayhawks, who finish their season at Missouri on Sunday.

five players in double figures as the

Sooners (21-5, 12-3) rolled after a

sluggish start. Oklahoma went 10-

for-10 from the field in a 25-0 run

that spanned both halves to take

control and ran its homecourt win-

ning streak to 37 games, longest in

weren't making any shots, but I

don't ever worry about that,"

Sampson said. "Our defense was so

good, they weren't scoring. It was

just a matter of time before we

De'Angelo Alexander scored 15

points and Jabahri Brown had 14

points and eight rebounds for

Oklahoma, while Ebi Ere and Kevin

Nebraska (11-17, 3-12), which

dropped to 0-7 on the road in the

Big 12, getting outscored by an

Andrew Drevo had 24 points for

Bookout each scored 10.

"The first five or six minutes we

the nation.

took off."

"We're trying to go 13-3 in the league, and then 'Go Missouri Tigers,'" Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said. Hollis Price had 20 points to lead

average of 21 points in those games.

Boston College 92, Villanova 84

Goodbye, Bill Bradley and Elgin Baylor. Look out, Calvin Murphy and Austin Carr.

Troy Bell scored a season-high 38 points to move into 38th place on the NCAA's all-time list and lead Boston College to its ninth win in 10 games, a victory over Villanova.

"He's the best player in the nation," said Craig Smith, who had 21 points and 12 rebounds for BC. "And everybody knows that."

The Eagles (17-9, 10-5 Big East) took over first place in the conference's East Division and clinched a bye in the first round of the conference tournament. They are onehalf game in front of Connecticut, which plays Providence on Wednesday before coming to Boston on Saturday.

Villanova (15-13, 8-7) led by as many as 14 points early in the second half before allowing a 14-2 run to turn the game around. The Wildcats have lost four of five and wrap up the regular season against No. 7 Pittsburgh on Sunday.

Andrew Bryant had a seasonhigh 16 points for BC, hitting a 3pointer to tie it 58-all after BC rallied from a 12-point halftime deficit with 21 of the first 30 points in the second. That was the first BC field goal by someone other than Bell or Smith in the second half, and just the third of the game.

Villanova led 60-59 when Bryant hit another 3 to give BC its first lead since the Wildcats went on an 18-2 run to turn an 11-8 game into a 26-13 runaway.

Villanova pulled to 78-75 before the Eagles pulled away with a 7-0 run on a 3-pointer by Bryant and two free throws each from Ryan Sidney and Louis Hinnant.

St. Bonaventure votes not to play final 2 games

• Decision comes a day after school forfeited six games for using an ineligible player

Associated Press

OLEAN, N.Y.

Forced to forfeit six games for using an ineligible player, the St. Bonaventure mens basketball team voted not to play the final two games of its season, the school announced Tuesday.

The decision came a day after the Atlantic 10 Conference took away the six wins and barred the Bonnies from the postseason for using center Jamil Terrell.

St. Bonaventure was scheduled to play Wednesday night at the University of Massachusetts and then host Dayton on Saturday.

The school's board of trustees also is reviewing the matter and could take further action.

"We are most concerned about the devastating impact all of this is having on our student athletes, as well as the entire university community," said William Swan, chairman of the board of trustees.

A vote by the players was taken Monday night and a consensus was reached, school spokesman David Ferguson said. After several discussions between school administrators and coaches, it was determined that the team would abide by the players' decision, he said.

The players had left the campus several hours before the announcement. Students are on spring break this week.

Ferguson said coach Jan Van Breda Kolff respected the players' decision, even though he wanted to play the games. Ferguson said the team was going through many emotions and found it difficult to play at this time.

"This is a complicated situation. Players, coaches and fans are all victims of this thing," Ferguson said, referring all questions concerning ramifications or compensations to conference officials.

Georgia called a timeout and set up a play to isolate Hayes on the left side. He faked Justin Hamilton to the court and knocked down the game-winning shot.

After Florida's final possession came up short, the Georgia faithful stormed the court to celebrate. They mobbed Harrick when he stopped for an interview, showing their support for the embattled coach.

"We really came together in this game," Harrick said.

Texas 74, Kansas State 60

James Thomas had 22 points and 15 rebounds to lead No. 4 Texas to a victory over Kansas State, as the Longhorns finished their home schedule undefeated for the first time in nine seasons.

Brandon Mouton scored 13 points and T.J. Ford added 11

Indiana 74, Minnesota 70

Jeff Newton didn't have to check himself into the game Tuesday night.

He just stayed in and kept making plays.

Newton scored 22 points and grabbed a career-high 16 rebounds in his home finale, and Bracey Wright added six 3-pointers and 21 points to lead Indiana past Minnesota.

"That's my plan every night, to attack those guys and put pressure on them and get them in foul trouble," Newton said.

Newton was sensational in one of Indiana's (18-10, 8-7 Big Ten) most critical games.

The victory assured them of a non-losing record in Big Ten play, a key factor for a team that does not yet believe it is assured of an NCAA tournament bid.

officials.

Van Breda Kolff could not immediately be reached for comment.

"We are extremely disappointed that St. Bonaventure has taken this action," Atlantic 10 commissioner Linda Bruno said. "The A-10 president's council will discuss the university's decision at its April 1 meeting."

Ferguson said the school will fully cooperate with any Atlantic 10 or NCAA investigation. The NCAA reserves the right to launch its own investigation to determine if further sanctions are necessary against the school.

After a 90-minute meeting with Van Breda Kolff, players dispersed around campus. Some, including Patricio Prato, talked about the controversy swirling around Terrell, who was declared ineligible last week for failing to meet NCAA junior college transfer guidelines.

School officials, who said they were petitioning the A-10 to have Terrell reinstated, have declined to say what guidelines were violated.

Van Breda Kolff told reporters that Terrell was first declared eligible and that the school was in compliance with NCAA rules.

"Now, things have changed dramatically," Van Breda Kolff said.

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MLB

Wells says he won't waive no-trade clause

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla.

David Wells won't waive the no-trade clause in his contract if the New York Yankees attempt to deal him after embarrassing revelations in his new book.

"I can say yes, but I'm not a fool. I'm not waiving it," he said at the Yankees' spring training camp before the team left to play Boston at Fort Myers. "I don't want to go anywhere else, obviously."

Wells has a complete no-trade clause in the two-year, \$7 million contract he agreed to with the Yankees before the 2002 season. The New York Post had reported that Wells, after details of his book became known, had told the team he would waive the no-trade clause if the team wanted to get rid of him.

The 39-year-old left-hander could be punished by the team for writing an autobiography that general manager Brian Cashman said "tarnishes the Yankees' image." Wells apologized to Cashman on Saturday and addressed his teammates Sunday about the book, Perfect I'm Not! Boomer on Beer, will happen."

Wells would not say if the notrade clause came up in recent conversations with manager Joe Torre or Cashman.

Brawls. Backaches & Baseball.

"What we talked about was our business," Wells said.

Cashman would not say if Wells approached the team about waiving the clause. The general manager did say the Yankees haven't asked Wells to do it.

Wells said he hasn't spoken with Yankees owner George Steinbrenner about the book. Steinbrenner said he has no intentions of addressing the matter with the pitcher.

"I didn't think it was going to get to this stage," Wells said. "I'm not going to deny anything I wrote in there. I'm accountable for everything that I've written."

Cashman started reading the galleys of Wells' book and hopes to finish shortly.

"Instead of being swift, I'd rather be right," Cashman said. "Until I get through it and then have a chance to have discussions with others [in the organization] I'm not going to comment. I'm not ruling out anything. I'm not saying anything



University Resources for Gay, Lesbian, & **Bisexual Students**

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs

Wells wishes he would have kept the issue of steroids out of his book, scheduled for publication March 14. In galleys of the book distributed by publisher William Morrow, Wells said 25 to 40 percent of major leaguers used steroids.

"All I can do is apologize for the pain it caused to the organization, my teammates and whoever," Wells said. "It was probably the biggest mistake I ever did by putting something in there. I wish I didn't, but I can't bad choice putting it in the book. I can't change anything. It's already done."

In the actual book, the figure is 10 to 25 percent.

"We did that way back," said Wells of the change. "Months and months back. It wasn't anything recent."

Also in the galleys, Wells claims he was "half drunk" when he pitched a perfect game in 1998 and takes digs at teammates Roger Clemens and Mike

do anything about it. It was a Mussina. Wells earlier backed off the half drunk statement, saying he was hung over.

> He doesn't feel the matter has become a distraction for his teammates.

> "I don't think these guys are being distracted," Wells said. "They're focusing on one thing: that's spring training and the season. They could care less. They're trying to work on stuff and get into season form and go out and try to win a pennant. That's what I'm trying to do."



(Confidential information, education, and resources) Contact: Sr. M.L. Gude, CSC, 1-5550, or student members (see web site for student contact info.)

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Lent

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Pray for peace: Inner and Global

by Fr. Richard Warner, C.S.C. Director of Campus Ministry & Counselor to the President

On Sunday, Pope John Paul II reminded pilgrims gathered in St. Peter's Square that Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent when "we undertake a penitential path towards Easter with a stronger commitment to prayer and fasting for peace, which has been put in doubt by growing threats of war." He urged fervent prayer to Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, "...because peace is a gift of God we must invoke with humble and insistent trust."

Ash Wednesday, that is, today, is the beginning of the Lenten Season, when we imitate the forty days Jesus spent in the desert before beginning His public ministry, fasting and in prayer.

We begin Lent surrounding by ever-growing signs that our country and the world are at the brink of a war we have been preparing for over so many months now. Every sign of progress

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First Sunday of Lent

1st: Gen 9: 9 - 15

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Saturday 5:00 p.m. Rev. Robert A. Dowd, c.s.c. Sunday 10:00 a.m. Rev. Pat M. Neary, c.s.c. 11:45 a.m. Rev. Robert A. Dowd, c.s.c.

Sunday's Scripture Readings

towards a possible peaceful solution is dismissed by our government as game-playing by Iraq.

We understand Lent as a time of conversion, when we heed in a sustained way, our longing for God and for a deeper relationship with God through prayer and service of brothers and sisters who are weak or poor or marginalized.

Our country, and the leaders of other countries, have not only the right but the obligation to protect their citizens through judicious use of the courageous service of the members of the armed forces to promote and defend the democratic values we enjoy and treasure. But as Pope John Paul II stated in his encyclical letter *The Gospel of Life*, the defense and promotion of all life issues are based and developed on the defense of the right to life itself, upon which the inalienable rights of individuals are derived.

We understand Lent as a time of conversion, when we heed in a sustained way, our longing for God and for a deeper relationship with God through prayer and service of brothers and sisters who are weak or poor or marginalized.

Ash Wednesday comes to us this year in an especially timely way.

May our increased prayer, our fasting and our generous service and gifts to the poor bring us a deep sense of inner peace, so that we might radiate in big and small ways, the light of Christ's peace which will be the result of our forty days. As His time in the desert prepared Jesus for his ministry, may our Lenten observance enable us to serve as He did, to be as compassionate and accepting of others as He was, and above all, to understand our lives as intimately connected to the life of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Special Note: In the event of war, there will be a candlelight prayer service in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 9pm in the evening of the day war is declared.

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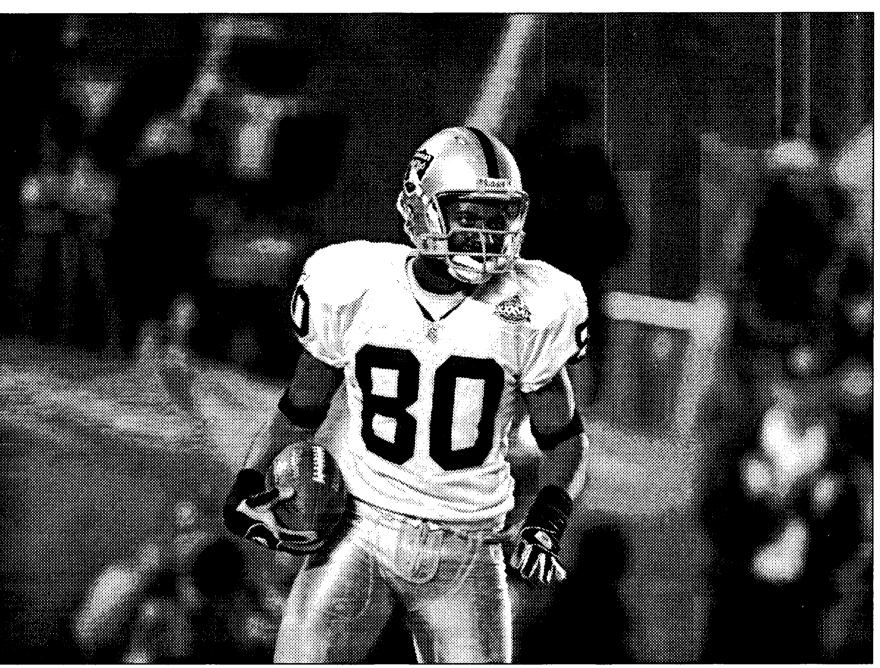
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NFL Photos

Receivers Jerry Rice, above, and Tim Brown signed contract extensions with the Oakland Raiders Tuesday. The pair helped Oakland clinch the AFC Championship and a trip to the Superbowl last season.

Brown and Rice both sign extensions

Associated Press

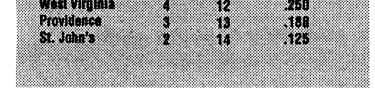
ALAMEDA, Calif. Jerry Rice has signed a 6year, \$30 million contract extension to remain with the Oakland Raiders, a salary cap-friendly deal that theoretically could keep the star receiver playing until he's 46. Tim Brown, the longesttenured Raider with all 15 of his seasons in Oakland, also signed an extension which means the NFL's oldest receiving tandem will stay together for now. "Them coupled with Jerry Porter were as productive as any receiver trio in recent memory," Raiders

senior assistant Bruce Allen said. "We're happy to have them back, and I'm sure Rich Gannon is as well."

The AFC champions were more than \$30 million over

deal. They appreciate Jerry's contributions. Since he left the 49ers, it has worked out perfectly well."

Rice, 40, joked during last season's playoffs that to score 200 touchdowns; he broke the record for most playoff yards in a career, and he tied a record for most career playoff TDs. He was select-



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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

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NBA

Timberwolves at Kings 9 p.m., ESPN

NHL

Blackhawks at Stars 9 p.m., FOXCH

the salary cap heading into the offseason, with some estimates as high as \$50 million.

Rice received a signing bonus, and the deal is "back-end loaded," his agent, Jim Steiner said, meaning much of his salary would be paid out in those final years.

"We're happy with the deal," said Steiner, who has reworked Rice's contract almost every season. "Jerry's happy with the

he might play until he's 45.

"It could happen," Steiner said. "He takes it year to year based on how he feels and how he's playing. Who knows."

Rice had 92 catches for 1,211 yards and seven touchdowns in his 18th NFL season, a testament to his disciplined preparation and conditioning regimen. He joined the Raiders after the 2000 season.

In 2002, Rice became the first player in NFL history

ed for his 13th Pro Bowl, his first in four years.

Brown, 36, "signed a very similar deal" to Rice's, according to Steiner. Brown's agent, Marvin Demoff, did not immediately return calls for comment.

Brown reached his first Super Bowl last season, after finishing with 81 catches for 930 yards and two touchdowns to help the Raiders win their third consecutive AFC West crown.

IN BRIEF

FSU quarterback charged with gambling

Former Florida State quarterback Adrian McPherson was charged with one misdemeanor count of gambling, including on games in which he played.

McPherson, who started four games for Florida State last season, placed bets over the Internet on college and pro games during the 2002 football season, the school said Tuesday.

He bet on every Seminoles' game last season, always wagering that they would win, according to Florida State police chief Carey Drayton. Sources told investigators McPherson bet large amounts and owed a Tallahassee man, identified as Dereck Delach, a total of \$8,000, police said.

Delach and Florida State football team equipment manager Jeffrey Inderhees were charged Tuesday with one felony count of bookmaking. McPherson was kicked off Florida State's team in November, after police said he was connected to the theft of a blank check later cashed for \$3,500.

Drayton said no other charges are expected. McPherson's lawyer, Grady Irvin Jr., did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

Inderhees was in Tallahassee on Tuesday and was expected to surrender to Tallahassee police, Drayton said. Delach was in Pennsylvania, according to authorities.

The charges result from a threemonth investigation by the university, Tallahassee police and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Louisville's Stone cleared to play

Louisville center Marvin Stone has been cleared to play by the NCAA, athletics director Tom Jurich said Tuesday night.

Louisville officials had been awaiting word for a week on whether the team's 6-foot-10 senior would lose his amateur status for accepting improper benefits from Mark Komara, his former AAU coach.

The school benched Stone for a game with East Carolina last Saturday while the NCAA continued its inquiry. Stone will return to action Wednesday night, when No. 15 Louisville (20-5, 10-4 Conference USA) plays at DePaul.

"Based on what I've been told, he will be on the floor," said his attorney, Donald Jackson said. "It's as 100 percent as these things can be. We're thrilled."

Jackson said that the NCAA found that Stone's relationship with Komara was established before Stone began earning recognition for his basketball ability.

The NCAA allows established family friends to provide benefits for student-athletes as long as the relationship began before the athlete gained status for his skills and did not develop as a result of the athlete's increased notoriety.

Women

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defense, we needed to limit them to only one [shot]."

The other thing the Irish did was try to key in on the Orangewomen's key threat - Julie McBride and the 3-pointer. Although the Irish managed to control McBride, teammate Marchele Coleman had a solid game for the Orangewomen. However, Syracuse still managed a meager 33.3 percent from

the arc, while the Irish "I think that if we had hit more than 46 perlost, it would have been

Although the Irish headed into halftime with a 28-20 advantage, the score didn't tell the tale of the first half. There were five ties in the first half before the Irish went on an 11-1 run in the last seven minutes, limiting the Orangewomen to just one field goal in that time. The game, however, was closer than most of the

"After the game, I said to the team that we have to expect that every game is going to be like this," McGraw said. "I think every game is going to be close because we're that kind of team. I think we have the expectation that we were going to win by a lot, but I think we have to understand that everyone is pretty good."

The second half was much of the same. After a 10-2 Syracuse run to start, the Irish took the lead several times as the Orangewomen fought back to knot the score up. When Syracuse took the lead

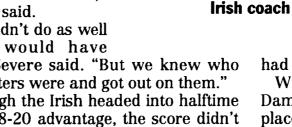
> with less than five minutes left, however, it lit a fire under Notre Dame and they responded.

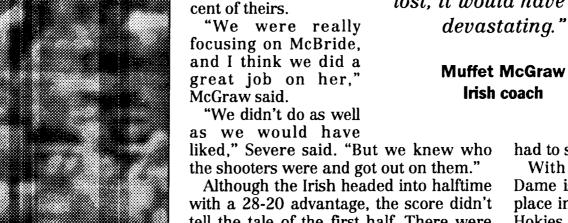
"We knew we could get the job done on defense, we got shots when we needed to and that put the pressure on them so they

had to score," Severe said.

With a 10-6 Big East record, Notre Dame is tied with Virginia Tech for fifth place in the Big East. However, since the Hokies defeated the Irish during the regular season, Notre Dame will take a No. 6 seed into the Big East Tournament, where they will face Pittsburgh.

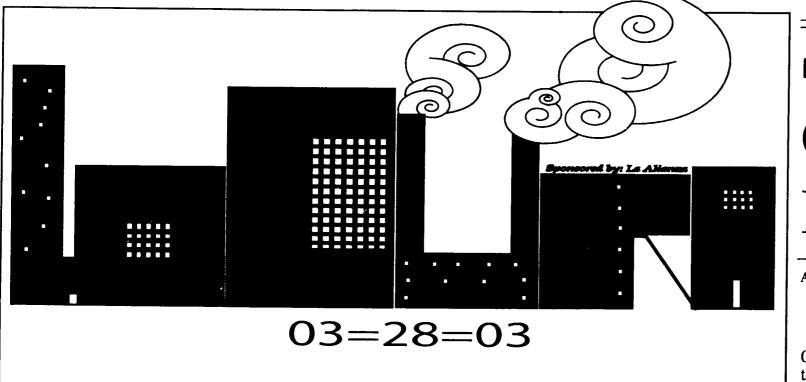
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Irish expected.

ANDY KENNA/The Observer Notre Dame's Le'Tania Severe elevates for a jumper earlier in the season against Pittsburgh, who the Irish play Saturday in the Big East Tournament.



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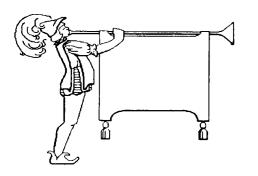
Georgia men under NCAA investigation

Associated Press

ATHENS, Ga. NCAA and University of Georgia officials have questioned two basketball starters

about allegations made by former player Tony Cole.

Rashad Wright and Chris Daniels were pulled out of practice and asked questions about a class they took with Cole in 2001, Georgia athletic director Vince Dooley said. The class, "Coaching Principles and Strategies of Basketball," was taught by assistant coach Jim Harrick Jr., son of head coach Jim Harrick. Cole said he received a passing grade without ever attending the class. "The investigative team is seeking the truth, which is what we want," said Dooley. "As always happens, one thing leads to another, which leads to another. The history is that it will go on for a Wright and Daniels were expected to play in a home game against No. 3 Florida.



Announcing the Year 2003 Annual Awards of the Albert Ravarino **Italian Studies Travel Scholarship**

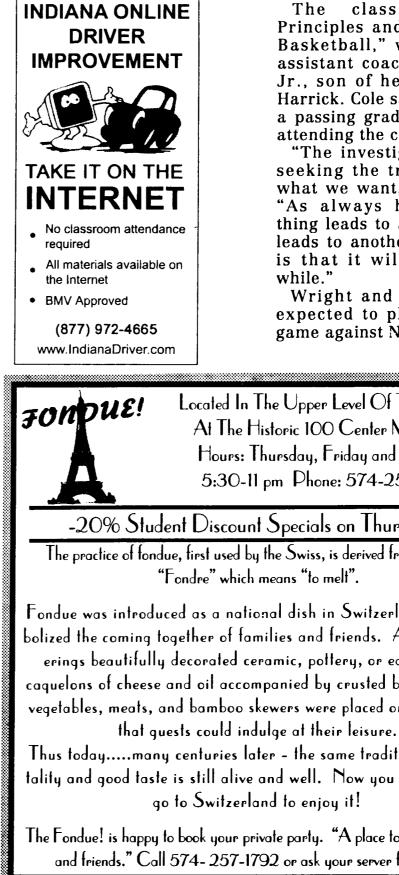
Thanks to a generous gift from the Albert Ravarino family, the Italian Studies Program is pleased to announce the year 2003 annual competition for travel in support of summer research and foreign study in Italy. Grants will be made in amounts not to exceed \$3,000, and will not normally cover all expenses. Notre Dame graduate and undergraduate students who are planning to pursue research or a formal program of summer study in Italy are invited to apply. Students must have completed at least one year of Italian language. The course work will normally be in Italian; will involve the study of Italian language, literature, and culture; and must be applicable to a student's degree program at the University of Notre Dame.

Recommended programs for foreign study include, but are not limited to: Loyola University in Rome, Boston University in Padua, UCLA in Pisa, Miami University in Urbino, Columbia University in Scandiano. Interested students are encouraged to consult the materials on Italian foreign study in the Department of Romance Languages, 343 O'Shaughnessy Hall.

Students are invited to submit a letter which should include:

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- a personal statement indicating their background, interests, and long-term goals 2)
- 3) a description of the research project or the program they intend to follow
- 4) a budget indicating the costs involved
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needed to get back into the game.

With 7:19 left in the first half, desperation finally kicked in for the Irish. They need to hang onto it for the rest of the season.

In Notre Dame's last three games, they've played teams with a lot more at stake than the Irish, who had their ticket punched to the NCAA Tournament back in December. Connecticut badly needed a win to improve their tournament resume. Rutgers badly needed a win to make the Big East Tournament. Syracuse badly needed a win to stay on top of the Big East West Division.

In those three games, the Irish lost their chance at a West Division title, lost their chance at a Big East bye and might have lost their chance to play in Indianapolis. It's easy to have that happen, though, when you know your invitation to the Big Dance has been filled out for two months.

And so Notre Dame, initially lacking the sense of urgency its opponents have possessed, now finds a gun pointed at its head.

The Irish have been victimized by allowing good teams to leap out to lightning-quick starts. Sure, Notre Dame has the offensive weapons to climb back in the game, but they expend so much energy coming back that they can never take the lead.

So when Syracuse's Gerry McNamara hit two quick 3pointers early on, Matt Carroll said he started thinking, "Here we go again." Soon, the Orangemen quickly proceeded to jump out to a 21-point lead as Irish defenders seemed more interested in discovering how many points Syracuse could score rather than trying to stop them.

After the game and after a players-and-coaches-only soulsearching meeting, Carroll proceeded to give a seminar on Notre Dame's problems worthy of waking up at 8 a.m. for. The Irish can't get that last stop on defense, Carroll said. The Irish let opponents jump out to early leads, Carroll said. The Irish need to find that sense of urgency, Carroll said. For nearly five minutes, Professor Carroll explained why the Irish needed to find some kind of urgency as reporters frantically scribbled notes on pads of paper.

Men

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Irish fell behind by double-digits in the first half.

But this time, they battled back to tie the game. After Carroll's 3-pointer brought the Irish even with the Orangemen, forward Dan Miller couldn't get control of a block by freshman forward Torin Francis and Syracuse regrouped in a timeout.

The Orangemen came out and gave the ball to freshman Carmelo Anthony who drove to the basket and scored easily. Syracuse forward Kueth Duany fouled Torrian Jones, who connected on two free throws to tie the game at 88.

The Irish couldn't get the rebound of a Hakim Warrick miss next time down and Anthony tipped it in, putting Syracuse up two.

Brey used a timeout and set up an offensive set to get a quick 3-pointer. Notre Dame guard Chris Thomas got an open look at the top of the arc but his shot went in and out.

"I thought it was in," Thomas said. "A couple of mine had rimmed out. I'm supposed to make those shots." "I told Chris Thomas that I'll live with that look from up top every night out. I have no problem with the look he got there," Brey said. "That was how we were going to have to win the game—with that quick 3 to shock them. Maybe they don't get a shot off on the other end or it gets chaotic."

Duany made two free throws at the other end to seal the game for Syracuse.

Billy Edelin led Syracuse's talented trio of freshman with 26 points. Anthony finished with 21 shooting 9-for-23 and guard Gerry McNamara scored 20.

Edelin was able to get most of his points by taking advantage of aggressive defense by Thomas and driving into the paint where Syracuse scored 54 points.

"He needs to be more focused on that, there's no question about it," Brey said. "He is going back and forth guarding a power guard and a shooter. I told him at halftime, 'Just be disciplined.'

"I thought in the second half, he was very good. Edelin made some tough shots on him. His discipline was better and he trusted his teammates."

McNamara came out on fire at the start of the game, connecting on five of his first six shots and scored 15 point is the first half. Syracuse was hot as a team as well and built a 39-18 lead on 14-6 and built

ing.

The Irish responded with a 13-4 run keyed by 3-pointers from Carroll, Thomas and Chris Quinn, who took advantage of 25 minutes off the bench by scoring eight points.

Finally feeling a sense of urgency, the Irish came out of the locker room playing aggressive defense and started the half on a 8-2 run. For most of the half, the Irish couldn't cut the deficit to less than four. They finally got within two at 84-82 on one of the many easy baskets Francis got in the second half with 3:04 remaining.

"He played great tonight. We did a good job dropping it off in to him getting dunks and some easy ones," Brey said. "When we can do that, it helps. He got into a little bit of a rhythm. He is very important for us."

The Irish closed the gap a minute later on Carroll's trey, but were never able to get over the hump and grab the lead.

With only one regular season game left, the Irish are looking to get some momentum with a win Saturday at Georgetown.

"I don't think we are thinking about the seed or the West Division title," Thomas said. "We just want to get back to winning. We want to know what it feels like to win."

Contact Matt Lozar at mlozar@nd.edu

"You're at a point now," Irish coach Mike Brey said, "where if they don't understand it now, then our season will end quickly."

The thing is, there isn't exactly a magic button the Irish can push labeled, "Instill Fear of God" to fix their problem. But, as Miller succinctly said after the game, "We're not going to win a lot of games if we play this way."

Notre Dame is only guaranteed three more games. That's it. Saturday's game at Georgetown, a game next Wednesday in the Big East Tournament and a first-round NCAA Tournament game.

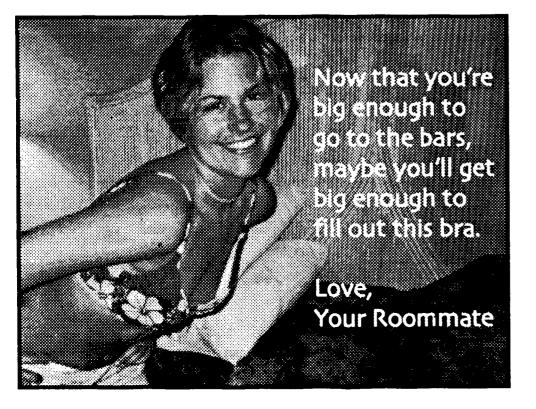
If that doesn't give the Irish a sense of desperation, nothing will. Eight days ago, Carroll and the Irish were a three-hour bus ride away from a tournament game in Indianapolis. Now, they're praying they don't have to take a three-hour plane flight. Notre Dame's season is winding down, and a three-game losing streak remains fresher in Irish minds than a three-game winning streak over Top 10 teams. In December, the Irish played with an intense energy they harnessed to manhandle some of the top teams in the country. Finding it again is apparently tougher than it sounds. "It's something that just has to happen," Carroll said. "I don't think you can pinpoint it, I don't think you can talk about it. You have to go out there and do it, and until you go out there and do it, we really don't know what it is."

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So how do the Irish get the urgency back for the entire game, not just the second half?

"I don't know," Carroll said. Dan Miller didn't know the answer, either. Neither did Chris Thomas or Torrian Jones or the rest of the Irish.

And if the don't find out soon, the only havoc the Irish will cause in March might be on the plane ride back. The views of this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Andrew Soukup at asoukup@nd.edu.



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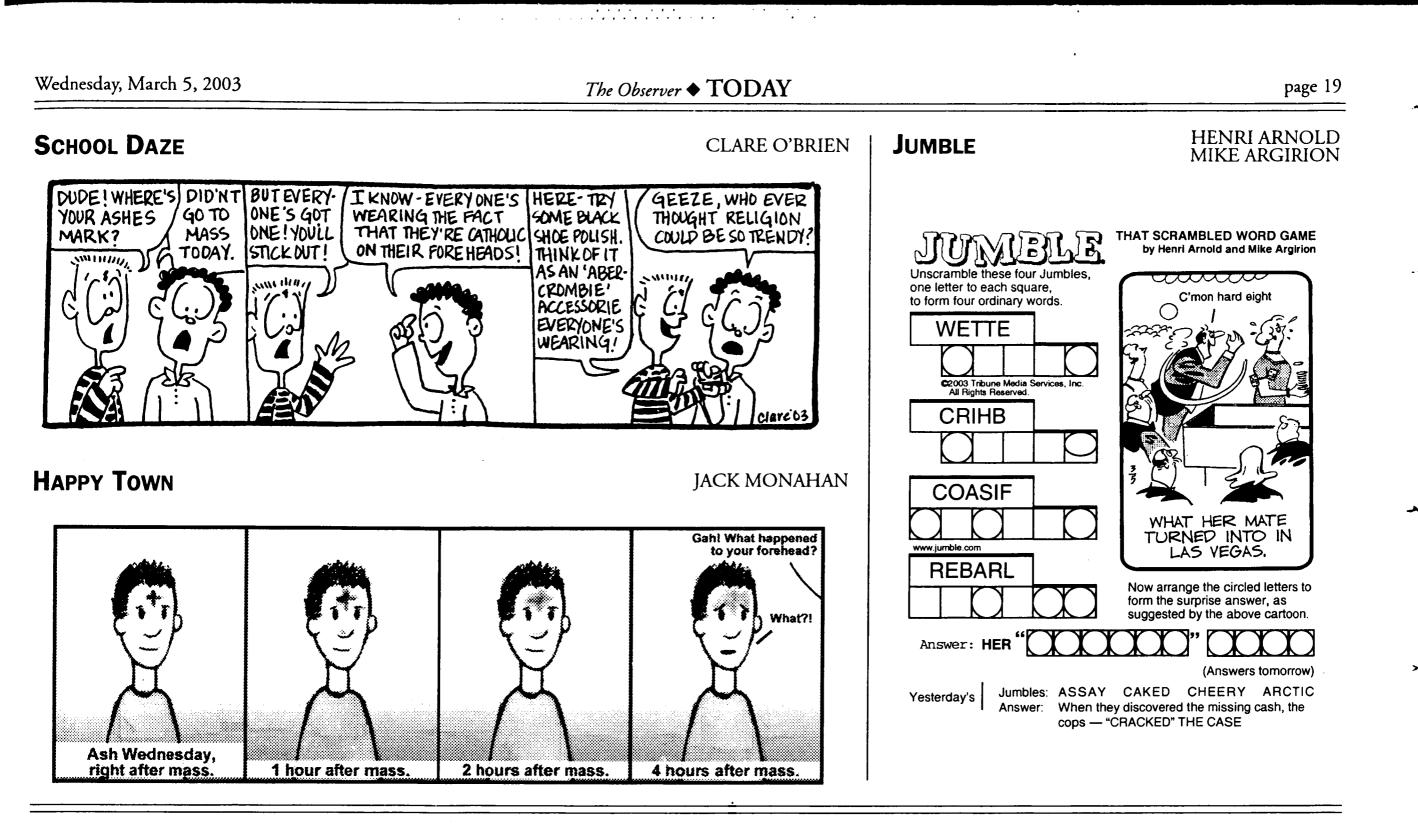
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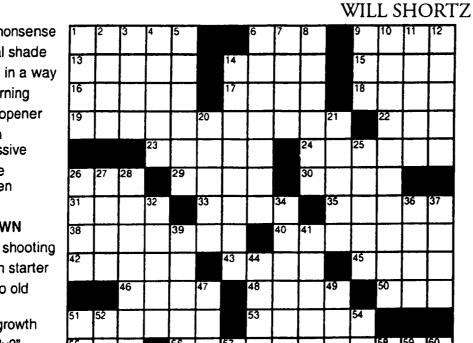
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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will dazzle clients and friends with your big ideas and colorful way of presenting what you want to do. Everyone will want to share in your extravaganza. Be thorough and build your idea on solid ground. $\star \star \star \star \star$

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will be concerned with legal matters and what to do with your finances. You may want to consider expanding into an investment that can bring you a higher return. $\star \star \star$

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll want to be a star today, especially where getting ahead is concerned. You will pull out all the stops to do the best and most impressive job. Interact with people in high positions. $\star \star \star$ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Make plans to do something that is fun as well as challenging. You will be spontaneous and imaginative. Your ability to work hard and have fun while doing so will impress anyone watching. $\star \star \star$

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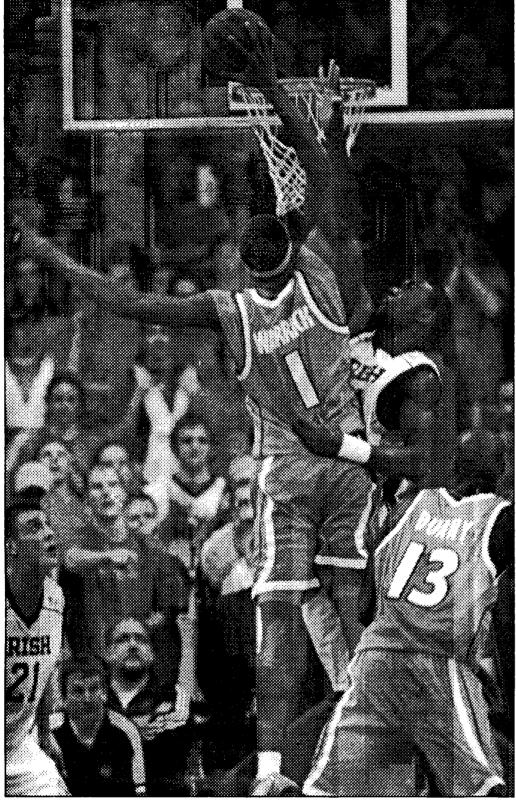
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MENS BASKETBALL

Beaten to a pulp



Orangemen jump out to 21-point lead, then hold off Irish comeback

By MATT LOZAR Sports Editor

When his sixth 3-pointer of the half and school-record tying eighth of the game tied the game at 86, Notre Dame guard Matt Carroll thought the Irish were going to complete a 21point comeback on Senior Day at the Joyce Center.

"I thought that was the time," the senior tri-captain said. "I thought we were going to pull ahead because we were at home. and we were going to get a stop, and it sure didn't happen."

But the one thing his basket didn't do was give the Irish the lead, as the Irish lost 92-88 to Syracuse Tuesday. The loss puts the Irish on a three-game losing streak for the first time since January of last season.

"You are most disappointed because you couldn't get it for Matt Carroll," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. That's why I'm most disappointed. Forget 10 league wins, or [that] they are ranked, you just wanted a 'W' because he is a winner and has meant so much to this program and to my tenure. Notre Dame hasn't led since 11 minutes remained in Connecticut's 87-79 win over Notre Dame Feb. 24 and for the third consecutive game, the



Junior Torrian Jones walks off the court after Notre Dame lost against Syracuse 92-88.

♦ Notre Dame needs urgency to survive in March

If Notre Dame makes a huge run in the NCAA Tournament, the players could point to the 7:19 mark

in the first half against Syracuse as the point

defense.

That's

when, dur-

ing the second Notre Dame timeout in two minutes, Irish coach Mike Brey not so nicely told his team to dig their heels in and start playing basketball.

At that point, Syracuse had a 19 point lead and seemed well on their way to handing the Irish another embarrassing loss. Like Drew Carey and food, Syracuse was doing anything it wanted to a sluggish Notre Dame defense.

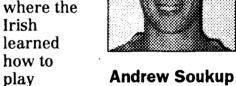
But in that timeout, during that lecture, something kicked in for the Irish. They started

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Syracuse's Hakim Warrick elevates for a slam dunk over Torin Francis in the second half of the Irish's loss to the Orangemen. Francis had 19 points and 11 rebounds.

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Sports Writer

potent scorers, began limiting them to ugly looks and started making the defensive stops Notre Dame so desperately

shutting down Syracuse's

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WOMENS BASKETBALL

Irish wrap up regular season with win at Syracuse

Muffet McGraw

Irish coach

By KATIE McVOY Associate Sports Editor

It looked close for a while, but the Irish ended the season how they wanted to.

With Tuesday night's 62-54 victory against Syracuse, the Irish have now won seven of their last nine and head into the Big East Tournament with the momentum they need.

"[This win] was huge," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "I think that if we had lost, it would have been devastating. Nine games ago we said we had to win seven of the next nine. I'm feeling good about where we are."

With 4:55 left, a basket by the Orangewomen's April Jean gave Syracuse a one-point lead,

and it looked like "Nine games ago, we said we had the Irish might lose the momentum to win seven of the last nine. I'm they had picked up feeling good about where we are." from their last two victories. But a 13-4 run, including three consecutive 3-pointers from Alicia Ratay in the final minutes guar-

anteed the Irish would end with the confidence they need for the post season.

"We wanted to have momentum going

into the tournament, and a win does that, especially a close one on the road,"

> Le'Tania Severe said. "That's real important. We knew that we had to get a good front going and we've that, and it will help us going into the tournaments."

One of the ways the Irish put up that good front

was by maximizing their height advantage. The other was minimizing Syracuse's 3-point threat.

Although the Orangewomen tried to stymie the Irish height advantage by starting 6-foot-4 Awa Diop, her inexperience left her in foul trouble early in the game, allowing the Irish to take advantage of their height. Notre Dame outscored Syracuse 33-22 in the paint and used their 37-34 rebound advantage to grab 12 second-chance points while limiting Syracuse to just two.

"When [Diop] was out, we had the height advantage we needed," said Severe, who recorded a season-high eight assists. "Regardless of where the ball came from, we knew we needed the rebound and, on

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MENS BASKETBALL

Syracuse 92 Notre Dame 88

Notre Dame rallied from a 21-point deficit to tie the game late in the second half on a Matt Carroll 3-pointer, but the Irish couldn't grab the lead as they dropped their third straight game. Seniors Carroll, Dan Miller, Jere Macura and Dan Lustig were honored before their last home game.

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WOMENS BASKETBALL

Notre Dame 62 Syracuse 54

The red-hot Irish, winners of seven of their last nine, ended the regular season with a convincing win at Syracuse. The win clinched a No. 6 seed for the Irish in the Big East Tournament, where Notre Dame will play first-round foe Pittsburgh Saturday.

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