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Students feel connected to Iraq war

Community comes to grips with military loved ones in Iraq

By MIKE CHAMBLISS News Writer

With hundreds of thousands of troops in Iraq, and U.S. officials declaring that the United States is prepared to pay a "high price" in order to oust Iraqi president Saddam Hussein, millions of Americans are anxiously

waiting and praying for the safe return of their friends, children, siblings and significant others.

Like any other American com-

munity, Notre Dame has its share of individuals with loved ones currently serving their country in the Middle East.

For those people, the war takes on a greater, personal meaning than for those whose personal lives remain unaffect-

Many of those in Iraq fulfill roles in which they will probably not be put into harm's way. For example, sophomore Colleen Olsen has a cousin serving as a lawyer in the U.S. Army.

"I am proud that he is doing his duty although I don't think there is a great chance that anything will happen to him. Although I'm glad that my cousin is serving his country, I still hope that we stop the war and send our troops home," said

Unfortunately, there are many among us who have more cause to worry about the well being of friends and relatives. Although troops are able to communicate via e-mail, they are frequently prohibited from disclosing their exact location and from discussing the activities in which they are currently engaged.

Sophomore Michael Poffenberger has a brother serving as a lieutenant junior

war in RAC

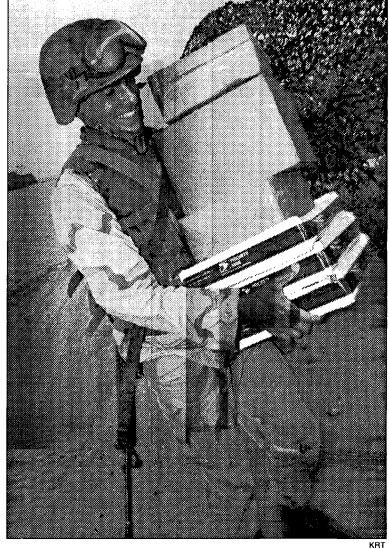
grade on a minesweeper ship in the Persian Gulf. Poffenberger, who strongly opposes the

war, says that his brother's presence in Iraq has created tension within his family.

"It has caused a rift in the relationship between my parents and myself. They don't think that my actions and ideas are supportive of my brother being in the war," said Poffenberger.

Don Balka, a mathematics professor at Saint Mary's College, has a son serving as a lieutenant in the Navy. Balka believes that his son, who pilots a P3 aircraft, is currently in Kuwait although he has no way

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U.S. Marine Phillip Korth carries several received care packages. Notre Dame students have expressed concern about loved ones in Iraq, while SMC students are making care packages for soldiers in Iraq.

Students send care packages to U.S. troops

By ANGELA SAOUD News Writer

Saint Mary's students in Susan Baxter's classes recently begun an effort to send letters and collect items on a wish list for Michiana Marines.

Baxter, a professor in the communication studies department, first found out about the project through her daughter's high school English class. Mothers of Marines from the South Bend area are sponsoring the effort.

The mothers compiled a list of items that area troops would like to receive. Items include, among a variety of other things, chapstick, homemade cookies, playing cards and Pringles potato chips. These items are given to Baxter who then passes them to be sent overseas.

The most important item Marines included on the list is written letters.

"I had a dad (who was) in the army during World War II. and two brothers in the Navy,' Baxter said. "All three spoke over and over about the importance of mail call, especially when they were deployed.'

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Design students try to meet demands

Project aims to redesign urban delivery truck

By HIMANSHU KOTHARI

Design students are working on a new project to redesign an urban delivery truck that can be used in industries from general delivery to specialist manufac-

The project is being led by art professor Paul Down, the vice president for national education of the Industrial Designers Society of America (IDSA), and John Caruso, an assistant professor of the industrial design group and also the midwestern district education representative

Two teams of students - led by graduate student Michael Kahwaji and senior Joseph Villalvazo - will work on different aspects of the design.

"We are trying to make the truck such that it can accommodate any type of engine, electric, hydrogen etc.," said Khwaji, who is leading the team that will look at future changes.

Villalvazo, who is leading the team to monitor the truck's use,



Senior Kurt MacLaurin works on an exterior design project. Design students have been working on a new project to redesign a multi-purpose urban delivery truck.

said, "We are dealing with the usability aspects, we have to design the dashboard and figure out ways to make it easier to load the truck for many different industries like mail delivery, food manufacturing and such.'

The ultimate purpose of the

entire project though is to cut costs and increase efficiency in the assembly line.

"I would say that the patent design is to have better aesthetics and design and produce a

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Feminist denounces practice of abortion

By EMILY BRAMMER News Writer

Deirdre McQuade, National Program Director of Feminists for Life of America, said women deserve a better option than abortion Tuesday.

Students, faculty, and members of the surrounding community were in attendance for the talk, which was sponsored by the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership, the Center for Spirituality, and Saint Mary's Right to Life.

"We Feminists for Life stand behind women who have had an abortion and say, 'No woman should ever have to go through what you went through," McQuade said.

She aims to bring people together who differ on controversial issues like abortion, so that the conflicting sides may find common ground.

'While many Americans disagree on the issue of abortion, both sides agree that we should work on limiting the number of abortions that occur each year," said

McQuade. "Unfortunately, efforts have done very little to achieve this cause.'

McQuade also talked about the feminists who spearheaded the original women's rights movement, and how Second Wave feminists, when they adopted abortion rights as the central issue in the 1960s and 70s, abandoned the core feminist principles of justice, nonviolence and nondiscrimination.

"The original feminist movement did not even mention abortion," said McQuade. "The Second Wave feminists completely abandoned the work of the original feminist movement. Instead of changing society to accept women, they fought for women to accept society."

She quoted original women's rights activists such as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Blackwell, who considered abortion a great injustice to both the unborn child and mother.

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Inside Column

Fuzzy math

Yesterday, the U.S. Supreme Court began to review the University of Michigan affirmative action case.

If this case is good for anything, it is the fact that it shines a spotlight on the still present problem of people's atti-

tude toward race and ethnicity in academics.

The plaintiffs in the Michigan case are former applicants who were rejected from Michigan. It happened to be that they were white. It happened to be that Michigan was a supporter of affirmative action.



Helena Payne

Senior staff writer

Even though out of 150 points on the Michigan undergraduate admissions scale, one could attack several areas where certain groups of people have a greater advantage than others, the plaintiffs decided to play the race card as the reason for why they were not admitted.

Never mind the fact that there are 110 points that are strictly academic, including GPA, standardized tests, academic strength of schools and curriculum. Most know that the last three are advantageous to the wealthy of any race because of their access to better high schools with better test preparation and course options.

Never mind the fact that there are five non-academic categories in which students can receive up to 20 points and only one of them is by being a minority. If they qualify in all areas, they cannot get 100 points, only 20.

A student can receive the 20 points for socioeconomic disadvantage but we haven't seen a major lawsuit attacking poor applicants, who can be of any racial background. Athletes can receive the 20 points also, but the Supreme Court is not hearing a case on how that discriminates against the physically disabled.

Or what about the Provost's discretion clause, which can also get you a piece of the 20-point pie? Who do you think has access to the Provost's discretion? I'd bet that it's not a disproportionate amount of socioeconomically disadvantaged people, athletes or minorities - but that's just my educated guess.

Then you get to the hotly contested areas of the 20-point clause: being an underrepresented minority or attending a predominantly minority high school. In the latter category, one does not have to be a minority.

The remainding 20 points are spread across several categories including residency and alumni relationships again categories where some are winners and some are losers regardless of

It is not my intention to tout Michigan's policy as the best. What I do intend to do, however, is ask a question. Out of all the potential points in the Michigan undergraduate admissions policy, why is it that the plaintiffs look to the race issue as the one to immediately attack?

The Michigan admission policy, found at http://www.umich.edu/~urel/

admissions/fags/uapolicy.html, clearly shows alternative ways to look at the

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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ Student Senate, 6 p.m., Notre Dame Room of LaFortune
- ◆ International Festival Week Undergraduate Dating Game, 8 p.m., McGlinn Hall Lounge
- ◆ Interfaith Christian Night of Prayer, 10 p.m., Morrissey Hall Chapel

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Irish dance lessons, 5:30 p.m., 231 Madeleva Hall
- ◆ Adult Children of Alcoholics meeting, 317N Madeleva
- ◆ Psi Chi Forum, 6 p.m., LeMans Hall Stapleton Lounge

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Student falls in Dillon, goes to hospital

After a fall in Dillon Hall, NDSP took a student to St. Joseph Medical Center for injuries early Tuesday morning.

Student reports suspicious person

A student reported to NDSP that a suspicious person was on Holy Cross Drive Sunday at 5 p.m. The case is pending.

Wallet of student missing since Oct.

A student reported Monday to NDSP that his wallet was stolen off campus on Oct. 23. The case is pending.

Driver allegedly hits parked vehicle

NDSP received a report Monday that a vehicle hit another parked vehicle on St. Joseph Dr. No injuries were reported and the cased is closed.

Two-car accident reported on Juniper

A visitor reported to NDSP a two-car accident occurred Friday on Juniper Rd.

NDSP find 2 abandoned bikes

NDSP found one abandoned bike near the Stadium outside gate A and another between Morrissey and Fisher Halls. Both bikes were brought to NDSP for safekeeping.

~compiled from the NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Fried cheese ravioli, cheese and pepperoni freedom bread pizza, Swiss steak, haddock with herbs, curried rice and vegetable pilaf, sugar-snap peas, cream of wheat, scrambled eggs, sausage links, almond freedom toast, cheesy hash browns, BBQ rib sandwich, Japanese ginger chicken tenders, chicken taco

Today's Dinner: Fried cheese ravioli, three-pepper sauce, cheese freedom bread pizza, sherried chicken thighs, whipped potatoes, broccoli spears, grilled redfish, corn, sliced carrots, baked sweet potatoes, cauliflower, beef tamale, flame-roasted corn and peppers

South Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Neapolitan spaghetti, italian sausage marinara, 4-cheese pizza, cherry turnover, toasted pretzel sticks, cheese and rice croquettes, chicken jambalaya, rotisserie chicken. cut corn, broccoli cuts, sliced carrots, steamed spinach, fried cheese ravioli with spaghetti sauce, soft pretzel, vegetable lo mein, chicken Acapulco

Today's Dinner: Neapolitan spaghetti, cherry turnover, toasted pretzel sticks, Italian-blend vegetables, buffalo chicken wings, rotisserie beef churrascarias, grilled pork chops, hot chunky applesauce, cut corn, steamed spinach, freedom dip sandwich, au jus, soft pretzel, sesame-soy chicken breast, pork tamale

THURSDAY

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

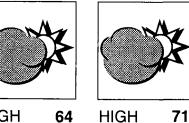
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Today's Dinner: Quiche, roasted pepper quesadilla, baked ziti ratatouille, black eved peas and corn muffins, ice cream floats, pasta bar, rotisserie style Greek chicken, confetti rice, ranch pizza with bacon, cheese pizza, pesto and vegetable stuffed potatoes, warm bread pudding, white cake with fudge icing

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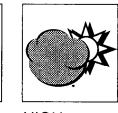
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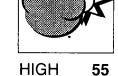
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Online calendar increases in popularity

By LINDA SKALSKI News Writer

Scanning posters plastered in the stairwell of O'Shaughnessy, reading fliers taped inside bathroom stalls or looking at table tents in the dining hall no longer have to be student's central source of campus event information.

Underthedome, a new online calendar with a comprehensive list of campus events, has been extremely popular since it was first made available mid-February.

Located at www.underthedome.nd.edu, and featured on the "Popular Links" dropdown menu of the Notre Dame homepage, the Web site received 114,402 page hits in its first month.

"People walk through the halls and get poster-blindness," student body vice president Trip Foley said. "The fact that this calendar has been used so much shows that there has been a need."

The calendar is unique in that all the clubs, departments and halls have their own password to submit information, which is immediately incorporated in the site. There are currently 301 active users, and Foley said that every day he receives two to three e-mails from another club or academic group that wants to join.

"There is so much to do on campus," said Foley. "People always say that there is nothing to do on campus, but the whole idea of this calendar is that there are things going on."

The calendar provides week, month, day and event views with color-coded orga-



LAUREN FORBES/The Observer

Freshman Carolyn Sweeney visits the Underthedome calendar on her computer. The online calendar has been available since mid-February and features a comprehensive list of events.

nization. There is also a search field to look up specific events or all activities particular to a certain organization or club.

"We designed and created the Web site custom-tailored to student's needs," said senior Matthew Wilkerson, the former manager of Dome Designs who was hired to create the Web site. "Events are multi-listed because not everything falls equally into one category."

To ensure that the calendar has a complete listing of campus events, freshman web administrator Patrick

Longenbaker spends at least an hour every day searching for information to post.

"Believe it or not, many events never make it to an official University calendar," said Longenbacker. "It's my job to always be on the lookout for advertisements and posters to what is going on."

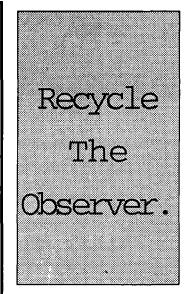
The online calendar has suffered no technical difficulties, and Foley said that the only real issue has been with spreading the word. He informed the admissions office about the new calendar with hopes that they will pass the information onto prospec-

tive students.

"It was designed to be a central location for all student events, and we are trying to get as many people to know about this as we can," said Foley. "This calendar is a perfect vehicle to know what is going on in campus, benefiting not only current students, but upcoming students, parents and alumni."

Organizations interested in including their event information on the calendar should e-mail thedome@nd.edu.

Contact Linda Skalski at Iskalski@nd.edu



Members finalize 2003 gala

By ANDREW THAGARD News Writer

The 2002-03 Graduate Student Union board held its final meeting of the year Tuesday. New officers will replace the group when elections are held later this month

tions are held later this month.

"This is it. The year is over," said GSU president Tim Dale. "I definitely valued all of your input and I hope you stay involved next year. People here have had some good ideas."

GSU members dedicated most of the meeting toward finalizing plans for the charity/year-end gala to be held April 25 at the downtown Marriott. Tickets went on sale this week. As of noon Tuesday, Dale said that approximately 50 of the 400 tickets had been sold.

The event will feature a bar, DJ and a raffle designed to raise money for Immigration and Refugee Services of South Bend. Dale anticipates that the event will raise roughly 4,000 dollars.

"Immigration and Refugee Services is really excited to be working with us," he said.

Dale also encouraged GSU members to attend the event and to recommend it to their friends. Tickets are \$5 and available at the LaFortune box office. Transportation to the event will be provided.

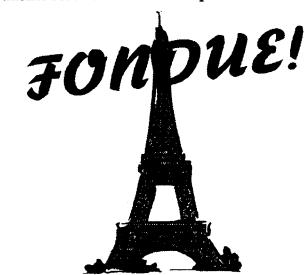
In other GSU news:

◆ Web manager Paul Mueller will run officer elections this year rather than Sebastian Velez. Because Velez's wife is expecting a baby later this month, he was unable to commit to overseeing the elections.

♦ Graduate students interested in volunteering at "Health-Eday," an event promoting healthy living for Notre Dame graduate students, faculty and staff, should see Heather Edwards, GSU healthcare committee chairperson. Edwards will be available all day today in the LaFortune Dooley Room to answer questions.

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Wednesdays and Thursdays are student nights. Students receive 20% off meal price with student ID.



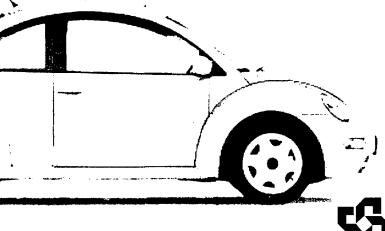
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of being sure.

"We are pretty concerned. We watch CNN every night and don't get anything done. He is able to get e-mails out. He tells us everything is fine, although they are very tired. They have got them working hard flying planes and they don't get to sleep much," said Balka.

The anti-war movement is an issue to which those with family members in the armed services react in different ways.

For Poffenberger, the fact that his brother serves in the Middle East has only strengthened his original anti-war sentiments. "I see the war as unnecessary and even harmful. I think that there could have been other diplomatic alternatives. For me, it is an injustice whenever an American soldier loses his life in the war because it doesn't need to happen. The fact that it could be my brother makes the reality that much more serious," said Poffenberger.

For Balka, on the other hand, the anti-war protests have been an unwelcome sight.

"It really bothers me to see the protests. They are over there protecting us the best they can. I know there are some good intentions, but it still bothers me," said Balka.

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Packages

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Senior Gabrielle Campo, one of Baxter's students, was the first to become involved in the effort.

"Through this project, we're letting them [troops] know that we support them," Campo said. "Professor Baxter explained to our class how important it is that the troops receive letters of support."

Although not all of those involved are pro-war, they agree that support needs to be shown to the men and women overseas.

"I am vehemently opposed to the war, signed a number of petitions against it, but now that we're in it, I believe it's vital to support those who say 'yes' when the country calls," Baxter said.

Campo, along with others,

feels that this effort could involve additional students.

"I don't think this is as big as it should be," she said.

Sophomore Donna Lubbers is also helping to support troops by enlisting the help of her friends.

"I have three friends overseas right now, and the morale of the unit really goes down when some soldiers are not receiving letters," Lubbers said. "One of them asked if I could find some friends to write generic letters to be sent over."

Through friends and classmates, Lubbers was able to gather nearly 25 letters and a care package to be sent overseas.

She is hoping that more people will become involved and plans to send more letters again soon.

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Abortion

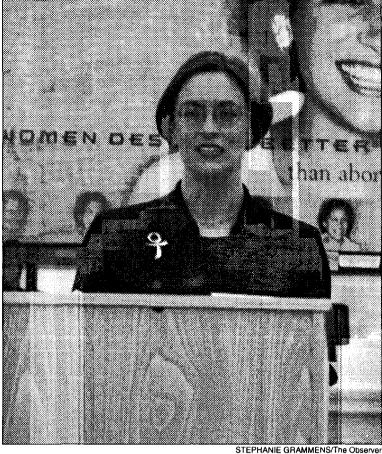
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feminist movement understood that women then as women now seldom choose abortion freely," said McQuade. "It's a euphemism to call abortion a woman's choice, when she does so out of a lack of practical resources and emotional support."

McQuade also talked about ways to increase a woman's resources and support during an unplanned pregnancy. These goals included making pre-natal care available to college women and continuing the work of pro-life organizations such as Women's Care Center.

"Ultimately our goal is to make abortion unthinkable and completely unnecessary, said McQuade. "People should refuse to choose because women deserve better than abortion."

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Deirdre McQuade, national program director of the pro-life organization Feminists for Life, informed Saint Mary's students that women deserve better than abortion at Tuesday's lecture.

Charges filed in vendeta killing

Associated Press

DETROIT
A man charged Tuesday
with shooting a former friend
nine times during a church
service in an apparent
vendetta killing between
Albanian-American families
had an innocent plea entered
on his behalf.

Appearing at times confused and unresponsive, Gjon Pepaj, 38, listened as

charges were read, including premeditated murder, second-degree murder, manslaughter and weapons charges.

The premeditated murder charge carries a maximum sentence of life in prison.

Pepaj said "no" several times when asked if he understood his rights. He was not represented by an attorney at the arraignment and was denied bond.

Assistant Prosecutor Kelly

Chard argued that Pepaj admitted to shooting 38year-old Gjek Isufaj, and said that he bought a gun six years ago that he failed to register and carried at all times.

Additionally, the defendant arrived in the United States in 1991 on a work visa, was not a U.S. citizen and posed both a flight risk and a danger to the community, Chard said. Pepaj was born in the former Yugoslavia, she said.

Congress panels back \$80 billion for war

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The House and Senate Appropriations committees approved similar bills Tuesday containing nearly \$80 billion for initial costs of the war with Iraq and other anti-terrorism efforts, including aid for the nation's struggling airlines.

Both measures exceeded the \$74.7 billion that President Bush requested last week for the remaining six months of the government's budget year. And both Republican-controlled panels weakened the wide latitude he had sought for spending most of the money without congressional strings, which he had argued was needed to quickly respond to the uncertainties of war.

Besides paring down a near-\$60 billion fund that Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld would have controlled, smaller accounts to be administered by agencies like the Justice and Homeland Security departments were also dismantled or trimmed. That reflected a longstanding bipartisan legislative resentment of executive branch efforts to usurp Congress' power of the purse.

"We didn't just create huge slush funds to be used at the discretion of an agency," said House Appropriations

Committee Chairman Bill Young, R-Fla.

The overwhelming votes of approval — 59-0 in the House committee, 29-0 by the Senate panel — underscored lawmakers' desires to quickly approve the aid while U.S. troops shoot their way toward Baghdad. Bush has requested the funds by April 11, and GOP leaders hope the full House and Senate will approve initial versions of the bills this week.

But a series of votes and remarks also spotlighted the pressures many lawmakers feel to increase spending for local law enforcement and emergency agencies.

By a party-line 35-28, the House panel rejected a Democratic effort to add \$2.5 billion to the \$4.2 billion that measure contains for domestic security initiatives, the same as Bush requested.

Rep. Zach Wamp, R-Tenn., said limiting the funds was necessary to avoid signaling to the states "that there's a bottomless pit in Washington for anything labeled homeland security"

Though Democratic senators offered no amendments to the \$4.6 billion in the Senate version, they spoke of trying to add up to \$9 billion when the full Senate debates the measure, perhaps beginning Wednesday.

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IRAQ

Troops clash near Karbala in approach to Baghdad

Associated Press

KARBALA

Army ground forces attacked Republican Guard units Tuesday near Karbala, scarcely 50 miles from Baghdad, part of around-the-clock combat pointing toward an assault on the capital. An American POW was rescued from Iraq.

Defense officials said Army units attacked elements of the Medina Division of the Republican Guard in the clash near Karbala, part of an elite Iraqi force targeted by heavy air bombardment over several days.

Pfc. Jessica Lynch, a 19year-old supply clerk from Palestine, W. Va., was the POW rescued. Neither her condition nor the details of her rescue were immediately available.

"Coalition forces have conducted a successful rescue mission of a U.S. Army prisoner of war held captive in Iraq. The soldier has been returned to a coalition-controlled area," Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks said in the briefest of appearances at U.S. Central Command in Qatar. Other officials provider her name.

The developments unfolded as huge explosions rocked Baghdad, Saddam Hussein's

seat of power and the site of repeated bombing in the two weeks of the war.

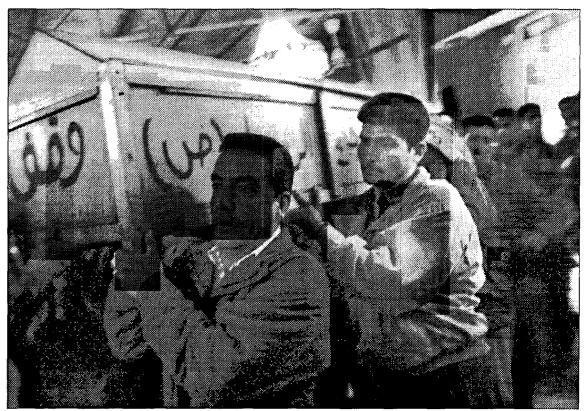
Saddam summoned his country — via a spokesman — to a "jihad," or holy war, against the invaders. But American and British officials used the occasion to raise fresh doubts about the fate of a man seen in public only on videotape since the war began.

The attack on forces near Karbala marked the first major ground battle against Saddam's Republican Guard, and capped a day of aggressive American and British military actions.

Marines staged a nighttime raid on Nasiriyah, a column of amphibious assault vehicles rolling into town under a moonless sky — and finding Iraqis had abandoned a huge, walled police compound.

In Basra, a city of 1.3 million, warplanes dropped 500-pound and 1,000-pound laserguided bombs on an Iraqi intelligence complex in an effort to dislodge die-hard defenders who have kept British forces at bay for days.

"What you're seeing today on the battlefield in Iraq is a continuation of prepping the battlefield for a major encounter with the Republican Guard," said Navy Capt. Frank Thorp.



Los Angeles Times

Family and friends carry the body of one of the 51 civilians killed when a form of artillery landed in a busy marketplace in the Baghdad suburb of Al Shualla Friday. Repeated bombings of the capital have accompanied the approach of U.S. troops.

Commanders refused to say when that might come, or whether the attack near Karbala represented the beginning of a push toward the capital. But senior American

officials said the ceaseless pounding on Saddam's elite Republican Guard was taking its toll. "Some of them have been degraded to pretty low percentages of combat capability, below 50 percent in ... at least two cases, and we continue to work on them," Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said at the Pentagon.

Bishop refuses to accept donation from lay group

Associated Press

BOSTON
Bishop Richard Lennon is refusing to accept money from one of his archdiocese's leading critics, saying the lay church reform group is undermining the church's own fund-raising efforts.

The leader of Voice of the Faithful said Lennon's decision to decline \$35,000 is "all about power and control," and added that other Catholic groups may defy his order not to accept the money.

"I think it will hurt overall contributions to all Catholic activities," group president Jim Post said. "I think they're going to have a terribly difficult time" The Boston archdiocese announced Monday it will not accept the money from group's Voice of Compassion fund. Voice of the Faithful says it has received \$49,000 this year from more than 600 people who did not want to give unrestricted donations to the archdiocese because of its clergy sex abuse scandal.

The archdiocese turned down \$56,000 from Voice of Compassion last year, but its charity arm, Catholic Charities, accepted the money in December.

This year, Lennon has specifically forbidden Catholic Charities from taking the money, but the group's president, Dr. Joseph Doolin, suggested he might accept it in a statement released Tuesday.

Catholic Charities "has always respected the teaching authority of the Archbishop," but had to consider the donation because Catholic Charities is a separately incorporated public charity, Doolin said.

If Catholic Charities refuses the money, the board of the National Catholic Community Foundation — a Maryland-based organization that administers the Voice of Compassion Fund — will distribute the money to local Catholic groups unaffiliated with the archdiocese, foundation president Edward Robinson said.

The board has never had to do that before, and "I hope to God we don't have to," Robinson said.

Lennon, who became the archdiocese's interim head after Cardinal

Bernard Law stepped down in December, believes Voice of the Faithful's fund-raising effort is damaging the church's, said the Rev. Christopher Coyne, an archdiocese spokesman.

Lennon also objects to the group's insistence that the money not be used for administrative expenses — which Post said donors worry have been used to fund clergy sex abuse lawsuits in the past.

"It's not up to Voice of the Faithful to decide where money goes," Coyne said.

Post said the archdiocese is hurting its own fund-raising in a time of budget cutbacks by failing to show donors there's a new accountability. Coyne said the archdiocese is open about how its money is spent.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

400 people missing after Bolivian landslide:

Firefighters and local villagers raced Tuesday to reach villagers buried under clay and rocks from a landslide that has killed at least 13 people and left hundreds missing. Bolivian Defense Minister Freddy Teodovic said initial reports indicated that up to 400 people were missing after an avalanche early Monday swept through the mining town of 1,800 people, about 125 miles north of La Paz.

French man scales building in protest:

A French climber who calls himself "Spiderman" scaled the 47-story headquarters of oil giant TotalFina Elf outside Paris on Tuesday to protest the war in Iraq. Wearing a shirt with the message "No war," Alain Robert reached the top of the office tower in less than an hour. At the top, he unfurled a flag with the same slogan. Police greeted Robert at the top of the building, located in the La Defense financial district west of Paris, and escorted him to the ground floor.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Fears of mystery illness delay plane:

Five passengers on a flight from Asia were cleared of a mystery illness. American Airlines Flight 128 from Tokyo to San Jose stopped short of the gate and was flanked by ambulances. The 125 passengers and 14 crew members waited as health officials in surgical masks came on board. When doctors had cleared all five people hours later, the situation turned into a testament to fears surrounding the little-understood severe acute respiratory syndrome, also known as SARS.

38 Texas drug convictions thrown out:

The drug convictions of 38 mostly black defendants from a farm town in the Texas Panhandle should be thrown out because they were based on questionable testimony from a single undercover agent accused of racial prejudice, a judge said Tuesday.

Nun charged with defacing missile silo:

A Roman Catholic nun representing herself against charges she and two other sisters allegedly defaced a missile silo tearfully told jurors on Tuesday that the peace protest was worthwhile, even if the nuns are jailed. Sisters Ardeth Platte, 66, Jackie Hudson, 68 and Carol Gilbert, 55, are accused of breaking into a Minuteman III missile silo site on Colorado's northeastern plains Oct. 6, swinging hammers at it and painting a cross in their own blood on the structure.

Hijacker surrenders Cuban aircraft:

In the second hijacking of a Cuban plane in as many weeks, a hijacker claiming to have two grenades surrendered an hour after forcing the aircraft to land in Florida with 32 people aboard. The hijacker was carrying a little boy when he came off the Cuban Airlines plane at the Key West airport and was wearing a red windbreaker with the word "America" stitched in white on the back.

Design

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lighter vehicle with better aerodynamics and improved propulsion which could save millions of dollars for large delivery firms like Caruso UPS," said.

City Union **Body Company** in Indiana and Manufacturing and Assembly in Missouri, who are funding the project, have provided the design school with the truck that they want

redesigned. "The which will use the refitted truck is trying to increase

market power by making the looks and a handsome design. truck appeal to a variety on

industries, so we have to see how the truck could be useful for everyone from a baker to a UPS delivery man," Villalvazo

Talking about the difference in design and technology, Down expressed his dismay at the fact that people often get confused between the design

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technology but to give form to the technology," Down said. To take care of the technolo-

gy aspect of the project, two engineering students are working in collaboration with the design school.

This was something that is happening more now than it has in the past," said Down.

He said that over the many years of experience he has had in the design school, he has noticed more collaboration between the design school and engineering schools and business school.

'There is a better understanding between them," Down

Last year, Khwaji said he worked with the marketing department on a project last year with Whirlpool Corp.

At the mention of such projects, Down expressed his desire that more collaboration could exist between the various schools of the University. even leading to the creation of joint degrees.

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Suffering talk ends Lenten Lecture series

By NATALIE BAILEY News Writer

Pastoral theologian James Whitehead and developmental psychologist Evelyn Eaton Whitehead closed the Lenten Lecture Series Tuesday with a talk on the positive outcomes of suffering.

"It is "Compassion is a new level easy to of consciousness that brings talk about suffering in general, acting towards people . . . but suffer-[Compassion] increases ing does not hapin pen compels us to use our general,' resources to alleviate pain." Évelyn Whitehead said. Suffering

al, it happens to the individual."

In their discussion on the "Passion of Suffering," the couple noted the characteristics of suffering and addressed its presence in the world.

Among the questions posed "Suffering sometimes

ing redeem? Is there a link between suffering and salvation? Did Jesus suffer so we didn't have

is person-

do it to show us how? Another question was: Is suffering pun-

"Suffering sometimes opens us

Evelyn Whitehead said, "truth about vulnerability, human connectedness and human compassion."

The couple presented these truths as a redemptive aspect of suffering.

"Compassion is a new level of consciousness that brings a new way of acting towards people,"

> Whitehead s a i d "[Compassion] increases respect and compels us to resources to alleviate pain." James

Evelyn

Whitehead offered method of dealing with suffering, in self and in others.

"Redemption of suffering comes through empathy and prayer," he said.

He suggested an understanding of the way Jesus suffered would help one through the toughest of suffering.

The Center for Spirituality has an endowment from the Sisters of the Holy Cross to fund this annual lecture series.

The event for the Center is the Madeleva Lecture Series on the topic, "Women Who Hear Voices: The Challenge Religious

Experience," on April 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Carroll Auditorium.

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Evelyn Whitehead lecturer

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embrace of the truth.'

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The couple discussed a myriad of questions about suffering in hopes to establish some understanding of its existence.

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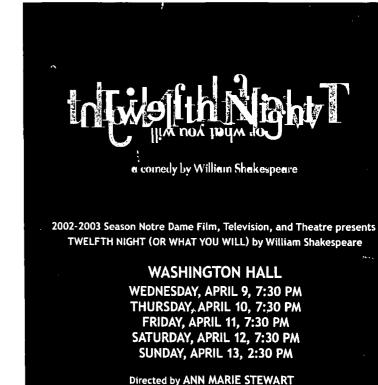
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ZAMBIA

Group says hunger will continue

Our task is not to create the

Associated Press

CHIBOMBO

About 38 million Africans are threatened by starvation this year from a food crisis that relief workers predict could last for generations because of AIDS.

Relief workers say the devastation from AIDS is combining with the effects of poverty, war, bad governance, corruption and erratic weather to cripple the ability of societies in sub-Saharan Africa to recover from famine.

"The stark message is this crisis is not going to go away. We will have a perpetual crisis," said Brenda Barton, the World Food Program spokeswoman in Nairobi, Kenya.

"We are seeing a redefinition of famine, of humanitarian crises as we know them," she

Within the United Nations that new definition is known as "new variant famine." It means that despite the best efforts of aid groups and donors, population losses to AIDS are wrecking agriculture, economies and health systems.

Some 29 million people in ub-Saharan Africa are infected with HIV, about 70 percent of the world's total. Overall, 9 percent of adults in the region of 633 million people are infected, but the rate ranges up to nearly 40 percent in some places. In those countries life expectancy has already fallen into the 30s because of the growing pandemic.

In less than 20 years, the United Nations says, AIDS has killed more than 8 million farmworkers in Africa. It has killed the breadwinner in millions of families, devastated poor rural villages, orphaned 4.2 million children.

"It is driving another stake into the heart of the poor. How do you recover when no one is alive to plant the food?" said Barton.

"What you are seeing is the humbling of society," she added. "We have not seen the peak of the HIV statistics. We have not seen the worst of it."

In fertile fields around Chimbombo, 90 kilometers (55 miles) north of Lusaka, Zambia's capital, a U.S.-government sponsored aid group, the Cooperative League of the U.S.A., teaches subsistence farmers techniques for dealing with drought and increasing crop yields.

Behind one ramshackle house a small boy hacks at the reluctant earth with a longhandled hoe. His mother, Freda Sichalwe, walks through tall, uneven rows of healthy corn. She says the new methods have increased the yield from her small plot fivefold. After the harvest, she will no longer need food aid for her family of six and will also have some corn to sell.

Kinston Munkonze, of the Cooperative League, said 500 of the farmers he works with around Chimbombo have shown similar gains. The other 300 have at least doubled their

crops, he said. All over Africa, humanitarian groups work tirelessly to use food aid to pay for agricultural improvements and maintain farm families while they learn new techniques. They also try to introduce new droughtresistant crops in some places, lower trade barriers and improve market conditions.

Despite limited successes, relief efforts are like spitting in wind, said Renny Nancholas, the Southern Africa food security coordinator for the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies.

"No one organization is ever going to dent such a huge crisis," Nancholas said. "It is real-

ly getting out of control." Brenda Cupper, the program director for the aid group CARE in Zambia, agreed. "We need a unified strategy and we don't have one," she said.

Donor response to the current food crisis has been adequate so far, but aid workers worry that the war in Iraq and humanitarian needs elsewhere may cut into the help coming to Africa.

"We have prevented a catastrophe, but the crisis is far from over," said Barton.

With this crisis, aid groups find they must feed increasing numbers of people in major urban centers who simply can't afford to buy food.



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IN BRIEF

White House targets trade barriers

The Bush administration released its annual review of the trade barriers U.S. exporters face in trying to sell their products around the world, singling out 56 trading partners for erecting unfair barriers to American products. "Bringing down barriers to trade promotes growth and prosperity," U.S. Trade Representative Robert Zoellick said Tuesday in releasing the 2003 edition of the National Trade Estimate Report. "The Bush administration is committed to identifying unfair barriers to U.S. exports and to working aggressively with our trading partners to eliminate those barriers," Zoellick said.

Kroger employees reject final offer

A union representing workers at 13 Kroger grocery stores in Indiana has rejected what the company said was its best and final contract offer for employees of its Sav-On departments. Local 700 of the Commercial Workers International Union represents about 300 employees who work in the Sav-On departments — deli, bakery and non-food — of area Kroger stores. Union members rejected the contract by a 2-to-1 margin, spokesman Rian Wathen said. Wathen said the union wants to continue negotiations. Jeff Golc, a spokesman for Kroger, issued a statement saying the company is encouraged that a growing number of workers have voted to accept the deal.

American Airlines to lay off 2,500

American Airlines will lay off 2,500 pilots over the next year as it cuts costs in hopes of staving off bankruptcy, union officials said Tuesday. About 21 percent of American's 12,000 pilots will lose their jobs, with cuts beginning at the bottom of the seniority ladder. Pilots can be recalled within two years if the airline, the world's largest, adds jobs. The cuts were announced by officials with the Allied Pilots Association, which has agreed to \$660 million in annual concessions to help save the company from bankruptcy.

Airline aid package proposed

♦ White House may oppose \$3.2 billion package

Associated Press

WASHINGTON House Republican leaders want to give airlines \$3.2 billion to offset additional costs from war and terrorism, more than the Senate but still less than what airlines want.

The House and Senate appropriations committees passed their proposals on Tuesday as part of the spending plan for the war in Iraq.

Both airline-relief plans may be too much for the White House, which said it is inclined to allow market forces to shrink the indus-The Bush Administration may oppose any package that's more than \$900 million, said Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Ted Stevens, R-Alaska.

"I haven't got any reason to believe they'll accept it," Stevens said.

Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta, an advocate of limited help for the airlines, said the votes "show that a considerable gulf remains between Congress and the administration regarding the amount and structure of this assistance.'

Both proposals would freeze airline executive pay at 2002 levels, and an amended Senate version would extend unemployment insurance for workers for a total to taxpayers of \$2.7 billion.

'Most people are very upset over what they consider to be excessive compensation for some executives," said Rep. Martin Sabo, D-Minn., who proposed the limits.

Sabo said Delta Airlines' chief executive, Leo Mullin, received almost \$13 million last year, while 16,000 company employees lost their jobs.

the worst downturn since



American Airlines and American Eagle workers protest March 12 outside New York's LaGuardia Airport regarding financial woes in the companies.

the beginning of manned flight because of terrorism fears, the war in Iraq, overcapacity, mismanagement and high labor costs, airline analysts say. Since the war began, 10,000 airline jobs have been cut, according to industry estimates.

The airlines began a lobbying campaign in March to get \$9 billion in tax relief but changed their approach to try for \$4 billion in reimbursement for security costs when Congress seemed uninterested in the original plan.

Rep. Norman Dicks, D-Wash., supports the proposal. "If we saved Chrysler and New York City, it's time we start thinking about saving Airlines are experiencing America's airlines," he

But Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., complained that the airlines come to the government for bailouts every couple of years. He said this was the last time he'd vote to give the industry a dime.

Eleven days after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, the airlines succeeded in getting \$5 billion in cash and a \$10 billion loan guarantee program from Congress.

Darryl Jenkins, head of George Washington University's Aviation Institute, said that bailout merely prolonged the industry's agony.

"We keep coming up with these bailouts, and we artificially prop up someone who shouldn't be propped up," Jenkins said. handing cash to the air-Both House and Senate

plans are bigger than the \$2 billion proposal, not including war-risk insurance, agreed last week by Senate leaders.

The \$3.2 billion House plan relieves airlines of security fees until Sept. 30 and reimburses them for the security costs they've paid since the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Security fees include the passenger security tax of up to \$10 per round-trip ticket, which the airlines are expected to pocket.

'This is just an immense amount of money," said Severin Borenstein, a University of California professor at the Haas School of Business in Berkeley. "You're just

Guidant defibrillators approved

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Medical device maker Guidant Corp. on Tuesday said it had won federal approval of two heart defibrillators and planned a \$16 million acquisition of company developing heart treatment technology.

Indianapolis-based Guidant said the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved its Vitality implanted defibrillator, which is expected to reach the market before the end of

Guidant also won FDA approval of its Ventak Prizm defibrillator, an addition to the an existing line of defibrilla-

Defibrillators electrically jolt the heart back into rhythm in case of car-

The Vitality and the Ventak Prizm function in the same manner, but the Vitality is about the size of a large matchbox and is smaller than competing products, Guidant spokeswoman Annette Ruzicka said. The Ventak Prizm is about the size of a pager.

Guidant also plans to acquire a startup company developing a new type of heart stent that can be absorbed by body tissue following restoration of blood flow in patients with coronary artery disease. Stents are tiny metal-mesh tubes inserted

into coronary arteries to prop them open after surgery.

Guidant is buying a nameless venture founded by SyneCor, a medical technology company.

Guidant has purchased a 51 percent stake in the new company for \$10 million, and plans to buy the remaining interest in early 2004 provided certain conditions are met. Guidant also will make payments if regulatory milestones are achieved.

The deal is the third recent acquisition by Guidant aimed at improving its position in the emerging market for next-generation stents that are coated with drugs to prevent scar tissue formation in arteries.

Former Virginia GOP director pleads guilty to eavesdropping

Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va.

The former executive director of the Virginia Republican Party pleaded guilty Tuesday to a felony charge of eavesdropping on a Democratic Party conference call, the U.S. attorney's office said.

Prosecutors will recommend Edmund Matricardi III serve three years' probation and pay a \$10,000 fine. He is also expected to cooperate with investigators under the agreement, in which he pleaded guilty to one count of felony wire intercept.

"This recommendation permits Mr. Matricardi to provide for his wife and two little girls and further continue his appeal that his conduct did not amount to wiretapping," said Steven Benjamin, his attorney.

Benjamin said his client never denied that he listened to an interstate conference call on March 22, 2002, during which Democratic legislators, party leaders and their lawyers discussed strategy in a court battle over legislative redistricting.

Matricardi, 34, executive director of the state GOP from

1999 until April 2002, also admitted he used an access code given to him by a former Democratic Party staffer to join in on the call. Prosecutors said he also recorded the conversation.

Matricardi had been charged with two counts of unlawful interception of a wire communication, two counts of unlawfully disclosing it and one count of aiding and abetting. Each count carried a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

He pleaded innocent Feb. 12, saying the conference call quali-

fied as an open meeting under Virginia laws. He can continue to use that argument in appellate courts as he pursues a motion to dismiss the charge to which he pleaded guilty.

Paul McNulty, the U.S. attorney for eastern Virginia, said the prosecution of Matricardi made a statement about protecting confidentiality, not about political espionage.

"We are, as a society, increas-

"We are, as a society, increasingly transacting our business by telephone and telephone conferences, and the usefulness of this technology ... is dependent on its security," McNulty said.

Gov. Mark Warner, a Democrat who participated in the conversation Matricardi listened to, said he hopes the plea discourages similar behavior.

"The U.S. prosecutor accepting this guilty plea sends a strong and clear message that dirty politics will not be tolerated in Virginia," the governor said in a one-paragraph statement distributed by his office.

After Matricardi is sentenced on July 8, he will relinquish a number of civil liberties, including the right to hold elected office and the right to vote, McNulty said.

Moussaoui defense lawyers ask for access to witness

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Lawyers for accused terror conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui asked an appeals court this week to uphold a ruling that granted the defendant access to an al-Qaida prisoner.

Moussaoui had the right to file his own arguments separately, since he's representing himself while court-appointed attorneys represent his interests.

Accused of conspiring with the Sept. 11 attackers, the trial of Moussaoui, a French citizen, is on hold while the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va., resolves the conflict between national security and a defendant's right to potentially helpful information.

Moussaoui won the first round when his trial judge ruled secretly that he could have access to Ramzi Binalshibh, the prisoner. The government appealed to the 4th Circuit, and the defense replies were due Tuesday under special secrecy procedures

Prosecutors reportedly have explored ways of satisfying Moussaoui's constitutional rights but have tried adamantly to maintain secrecy around the interrogations of the key prisoners with knowledge of Moussaoui. Paramount among those are Binalshibh and Khalid Shaikh Mohammed. Mohammed is believed to have

been the mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, and Binalshibh is suspected of helping coordinate the airliner hijackings.

In motions recently made public by U.S. District Judge Leonie Brinkema, the trial judge, Moussaoui also asked her to order the government to produce Mustafa al-Hisawi, a suspected financier of the attacks, and Abu Zubaydah, a suspected coordinator of al-Qaida terrorist activities.

Binalshibh reportedly described Moussaoui as a backup figure in the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Mohammed reportedly told investigators that Moussaoui was supposed to have prepared

for a second wave of attacks after Sept. 11, 2001.

Moussaoui, who faces the death penalty if convicted of conspiracy to commit terrorism, has denied he was part of the Sept. 11 conspiracy but admitted in court that he's an al-Qaida member loyal to Osama bin Laden, the Saudiborn fugitive who leads the terror network. The indictment contends Moussaoui was in a conspiracy with the hijackers and specifies alleged conduct that mirrors that of the attackers

In past cases involving national security, the government has been faced with a choice: find a way to provide a defendant access to favorable information or drop the prosecution.

In the Moussaoui case, the Bush administration has introduced an option not usually available to prosecutors: a military tribunal that would allow greater secrecy and fewer protections for a defendant.

Legal experts said despite a new classification of al-Qaida prisoners as enemy combatants without constitutional protections, the conflict between national security and a defendant's rights hasn't changed.

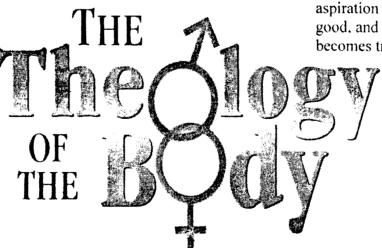
"It hasn't changed so far as he's sitting in an American courtroom," said Washington defense attorney Stanley Brand, a former counsel for the House of Representatives. "That's the forum the government chose."

Sex...You never knew it was so good.

"This is the body – a witness to creation as a fundamental gift, and so a witness to Love as the source from which this same giving springs. Masculinity and femininity – namely, sex – is the original sign of a creative donation and an awareness on the part of man. malefemale. of a gift lived in an original way."

"Continence for the sake of the kingdom of heaven, the choice of virginity or celibacy for one's whole life, has become in the experience of Christ's disciples and followers the act of a particular response of love for the divine Spouse. Therefore it has acquired the significance of an act of nuptial love, that is, a nuptial giving of oneself for the purpose of reciprocating in a particular way the nuptial love of the Redeemer. It is a giving of oneself understood as renunciation, but made above all out of love."

"By its nature, human life is 'coeducative.' Its dignity and balance depend, at every moment of history and at every point of geographical longitude and latitude, on who woman will be for man and who man will be for woman."



Pope John Paul II on the human person, the body and sexuality:

Notre Dame Right to Life presents

"It is necessary to rediscover continually in what is erotic the nuptial meaning of the body and the true dignity of the gift. This is the role of the human spirit, a role of an ethical nature. If it does not assume this role, the attraction of the senses and the passion of the body may stop at mere lust devoid of ethical value. Then man, male and female, does not experience that fullness of eros, which means the aspiration of the human spirit toward what is true, good, and beautiful, so that what is erotic also becomes true, good, and beautiful."

"Uniting with each other (in the conjugal act) so closely as to become "one flesh," man and woman rediscover, so to speak, every time and in a special way, the mystery of creation. They return in this way to that union in humanity which allows them to recognize each other and call each other by name. This means reliving, in a sense, the original virginal value of man, which emerges from the mystery of his solitude before God and in the midst of the world."

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Bush launches plan to prevent recession

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Bush administration has embarked on a campaign to keep the war in Iraq from pushing the country back into a recession.

A "watch group" of the administration's top policy-makers began holding daily meetings when the war started two weeks ago in an effort to stay on top of developments in world financial markets, global oil markets and the U.S. economy.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has also been a participant in the sessions, which have been chaired by Stephen Friedman, the director of the president's National Economic Council.

In addition to these strategy sessions, the White House is dispatching various Cabinet secretaries around the country to sell the president's economic stimulus package. The Senate voted last week to cut the price of the package in half.

"We are watching the economy through this period, keeping a close eye on energy prices and making sure that we are all talking to each other," Commerce Secretary Donald Evans, one of the participants in the White House meetings, said in an interview Tuesday.

Friedman's staff has developed what they have dubbed a "dashboard" of key economic indicators. They update it throughout the day so all members of the team can keep apprised of any changes in economic or market conditions, according to a senior adminis-

tration official.

"We have been looking for any economic warning signs that might start to flow from developments in Iraq," said the official, who agreed to be interviewed on condition of anonymity. "The purpose of this group is to look for early warning signs."

Stock markets in recent weeks have been on a rollercoaster ride, soaring in the days immediately before the bombing — when investors hoped for a short and quick U.S. victory — and then declining as those hopes were dashed.

Even with all the administration efforts, analysts said the United States could still end up in another recession if the Iraq war drags on.

"We will be in a full-blown recession if the war isn't effectively resolved in the next two to three months," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com.

"Confidence is falling, layoffs are mounting and troubled industries like the airlines are gasping for air," said Sherry Cooper, chief global economic strategist for BMO Financial Group.

The administration's watch group has been monitoring all of these developments, holding daily sessions at first as each of the Cabinet secretaries educated the others about particular areas of expertise, then cutting back to meetings several times each week.

In addition to Evans, other Cabinet members who have been participating include Treasury Secretary John Snow, Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham and Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta.

ENGLAND

Jury convicts two on terrorism

Associated Press

LONDON

Two Algerian men were convicted Tuesday of plotting to raise money for terrorist activities and sentenced to 11 years in prison.

Brahim Benmerzouga, 31, and Baghdad Meziane, 38, raised thousands of dollars through credit card fraud for an international network of terrorists planning a holy war against the West, prosecutors said.

The nine-member jury returned the verdict after five days of deliberation in the court in Leicester in central England.

"You have not directly taken life or seriously injured anyone, but the terrorists, in order to carry out their terrible killings and maimings, need money, false papers and military style materials. You both provided terrorists with the vital support and ran a well-organized and secretive cell," Justice Richard Curtis said after the verdict.

During the trial, prosecutors said both men possessed propaganda identical to that of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terrorist network, advocating a holy war against "the Americans, their Christian allies and the Jews."

Both illegal immigrants to Britain sat behind thick windows in a locked area of the courtroom, where an interpreter translated the proceedings into Arabic.

They were convicted of entering into a funding arrangement for the purposes of terrorism.

According to trial testimony, Benmerzouga and Meziane, who were living in Leicester and working in a factory there, used numerous false identities and were secretly part of an intricate network of terrorist cells across Europe.

Benmerzouga had amassed more than 60 films promoting suicide bombings and martyrdom, including 19 copies of a bin Laden video, the court was told. Meziane had a book entitled "A Biography Of The Freedom Fighter Osama Bin Laden" and material about the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in the United States was found on a computer at his home.

Suspected al-Qaida members visited Benmerzouga and Meziane in Leicester on their way to these training camps, according to court testimony.

ISRAEL

Israel: Peace plan must be adapted

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Israel's foreign minister said Tuesday the United States is determined to publish a Mideast peace plan soon, but Israel would seek changes before accepting it.

The Israeli opposition leader, Amram Mitzna, and Palestinian officials said Israel effectively is rejecting the plan, a three-stage "road map" to Palestinian statehood by 2005.

The Americans are "deter-

mined to publish the road map," the foreign minister, Silvan Shalom, told Israel Army Radio on Tuesday, a day after meeting with President Bush at the White House.

Shalom laid down a number of conditions for resuming talks with the Palestinians and said "the road map needs to be adapted."

Israel repeatedly has said it accepts the "Bush vision," which is based on a policy speech he delivered June 24, but has balked at embracing the road map drawn up by the "Quartet" — the United States, the European Union, Russia and the United Nations — outlining implementation of that vision.

A diplomatic source said on condition of anonymity that Quartet officials would meet in Brussels, Belgium, on Thursday to discuss the possible publication of the road map and how to monitor compliance by both sides.

The source said the monitoring mechanism was expected to be a point of contention.

"We expect that after the road map is published the first things they [the Palestinians] must do is halt the terror and the incitement," Shalom said.

If the conditions are met, Israel would be a "true partner, exploring all roads to peace."

The United States and Britain have said the road map would be unveiled after the new Palestinian prime minister, Mahmoud Abbas, and his Cabinet are sworn in probably sometime this month.

, Palestinian leaders met with U.S. representatives Tuesday and were told by acting U.S. consul Jeff Feldman that the United States would set up a "monitoring mechanism" to make sure the road map was implemented when the Palestinian government started functioning, said Nabil Shaath, Palestinian planning minister.

The United States also would push for a road map similar to a draft presented last year, with no last-minute changes, Shaath said.

There was no immediate comment from U.S. officials.

The road map envisions a Palestinian state in provisional

borders by the end of the year.

After a cease-fire is in place, Palestinians would have to rein in militants while Israel would have to withdraw from Palestinian cities and freeze settlement construction.

Palestinian Cabinet Minister Saeb Erekat said Israel's demands for changes amount to a rejection of the plan.

"We had hoped that Mr. Shalom would have announced Israel's full commitment and acceptance of the road map. In reality he actually announced Israel's rejection," Erekat said.

Mitzna, the Labor Party chairman, said he suspected the Israeli government was playing for time.

"This is a recipe to say 'yes' while in reality saying 'no,'" Mitzna told Army Radio.

Also Tuesday, Israeli troops demolished the homes of five suspected Palestinian militants, including one who blew himself up in coastal Netanya over the weekend.

Forces in the West Bank village of Deir Ghassoon destroyed the home of 20-year-old Rami Ghanem — the Islamic Jihad bomber who wounded 49 people Sunday at Cafe London in Netanya, the army said.

Islamic Jihad said the bombing, the first since the U.S.-led war in Iraq began, was a "gift" to the Iraqi people and vowed to increase its attacks against Israel during the war.

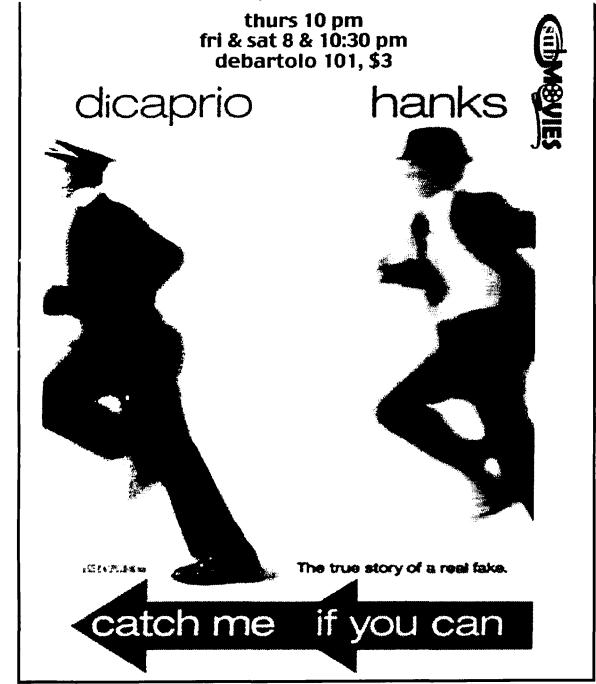
The group also said it sent suicide bombers to Iraq to help fight American and British soldiers.

In the Al Amari refugee camp near Ramallah, troops demolished four homes belonging to four suspected militants from the Naji family, the army said.

The four were members of the Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade, a militia affiliated with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah faction.

The Naji family is accused of carrying out and plotting a series of attacks on Israelis, the army said.

They participated in a March 2002 shooting attack in a Tel Aviv restaurant that killed three people and another in Jerusalem in February 2002 in which a police officer was killed, the army said.



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Support men and women in uniform

I would like to dedicate this column to my dear friend, Patrick O'Brien, whose courage and sacrifice for his country from the Vietnam War through the Gulf War earned him a Navy Cross and a lost lung. I love you Pat.

Doc Brown told me that if I wanted to see chaos, I should go to the '60s. I'm not much for listening in his-

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Adam Cahili

tory class, so I guess I'll go and check it out firsthand. That crazy man. He travels through time and anywhere he wants to, but I don't think he's doing too well with the move from California to the Midwest. I'm sure he'll be fine though.

Looking at the Chicago skyline, I wonder what it's going to be like 40 years ago. I turn into an unfinished housing project and stop at the beginning of a long stretch of road. Speeding up to 88 miles per hour is always my favorite part. The radio is on, but to get the mood right, I turn on a little AC/DC Thunderstruck. I can feel the music pumping through my veins and I can tell that I'm ready to do some timetraveling. I rev the engine, floor it and send the tires into a smoking frenzy.

Within minutes I'm in uncharted territory. The '60s. I've heard so much about it but to actually be here is surreal. I knew the place that I had picked to travel through time would be farmland, but I didn't think there would be nothing here. Oh well. It's time to go see the city.

I park the car behind a grove of trees to conceal it from the world and wander into some small suburban town to hop on a bus to the big city. The scenery is one of a perfect Midwestern morning as the bus moves along slowly toward the noticeably smaller skyline. Once in town, Michigan Street is crowded with people. There seems to be tension in the air as they converge into the same direction. Naturally, wanting to see what's up, I follow them

With the convention center in the background, I find what it is I've come for. Crowds of angry protestors fill the streets, and I begin to witness the Democratic National Convention and the Vietnam War protest that was so infamous during the 1968 presidential campaign. Signs, posters and banners are everywhere and the crowd starts to lash out, screaming at the police officers that have formed a barricade. The batons are out and tear gas is flowing through the crowd.

This is so sad. A man lowers the American flag from a pole only to get beaten by police for doing it. Another lights a flag on fire and denounces the United States as his country. The sight is so disgustingly stirring that tears start to flow from my eyes. I just can't believe it. Men are dying in Vietnam to protect these Americans' liberties, and the thanks they and their families get is to witness a country's indifference to their sacrifices.

I've had enough. I need to get back to 2003, where things make sense. Surely the country has learned its lesson and such instances of division will stay here, in the past. I hop the first bus back to the small town and make the hike to the grove of trees. The tears won't stop. There are no sobs, just tears. Those poor families. Getting in the car, I can't muster the energy to even touch the radio. The music is

gone. I just want to go home.

Back in 2003, I return the time machine to Doc and without saying a word, slowly make my way home. I'm exhausted. The tears have dried only to leave streaks down my face. Collapsing into my Lazy Boy, an eternity passes before I can turn on the television.

I just can't believe what I'd seen. It's no wonder Vietnam veterans coming home only to find ungrateful Americans drove many of them to madness and suicide. I can't blame them. How would I feel if the country I would die defending didn't support my labors?

But we've learned. I'm sure of it. We, as Americans, are too smart and compassionate not to support each other. Especially our armed forces. I can't think about it anymore. I just want to turn my head off. So, I turn on the television only to hear the words of a CNN news anchor tell me that hundreds of anti-war protestors had been arrested. I looked at the calendar on my wall: 2003.

I jump out of my chair quickly and try and get the restroom in time. It's no use. Vomit is all over the place. I'm guilt-ridden and dumbfounded.

Now I know that history does repeat itself. Those poor soldiers. They don't have the support they deserve for risking their lives for me. It's about time I showed them some love. Politics have been decided, the war is started, so let's support our heroes in uniform.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Prayer and love offered for troops

The headline of a Viewpoint article Tuesday declared, "You can't be protroops and anti-war." In a certain sense, that's entirely true. I believe the current war is unjust; thus, logically, I cannot in good conscience give my approval to what the troops in Iraq are doing. I sincerely wish they weren't there.

But it is for their sake as well as for the sake of the Iraqi soldiers and civilians that I wish our troops were not there, and I pray daily for their safety and for a quick end to this war. I have a much greater and deeper love for soldiers since this war started and since I became part of the peace movement a year ago.

Even while I disagree strenuously with the method they have chosen to try to bring peace to the world, I respect and admire them for the sacrifice, devotion and love with which they live out that choice. I am striving to live out my pacifist views as conscientiously as they live out their military lives.

I cannot condemn soldiers for the choices they make in good conscience; I can only hope to inform their consciences in a different way and persuade them to choose another path. That's what I'm doing when I protest, when I wear a white armband for peace everywhere I go, when I post signs saying "No War in Iraq" in my windows. That's what I'll be doing when I protest the Pass in Review later this month. I am not attempting to condemn any person, and I am not attempting to generate hate and discord. I am trying to convince conscientious men and women that the path they have chosen will not lead to true peace.

I have a few friends who are in ROTC, and I love them dearly. In truth, they

are one of the most significant reasons I have for protesting the war: I don't want Erik to go to Iraq and never come back. I don't want Chris to take part in an unjust action. I don't want Peter's soul to be coarsened and embittered by war.

It's true, I can't both protest the war and approve of what our soldiers are doing. But I can and do pray for our soldiers and for their physical and spiritual well-being. I can and do look up to them as examples of people who are truly living out what they believe, no matter the cost to themselves. I can and do love them, and I will love them forever, even if we disagree forever, as we probably will.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"True patriotism hates injustice in its own land more than anywhere else."

Clarence Darrow lawyer

Suggestions to make Catholic Mass more fun

The Catholic Church is having a spot of trouble transitioning to the New Millennium. Donations are down and seminaries are emptying of students. But one thing is contributing to the Church's

Now Mass has long been considered the meat and potatoes of the Catholic faith diet, often supplemented by the creamy

Muto Time

Joe Muto

sacramental gravy and delicious desserts of the holidays. But man can live on meat and potatoes for only so long. It's time for all you Catholic diners to face the facts: Mass is

Some of you out there may disagree. You may say that it energizes you, refreshes you or helps you get ready for your week. Good for you — you're lying. You're just as bored as the rest of us. It's time to admit it and move on.

But have no fear. I'm not here just to tear down — I wish to rebuild. There's nothing wrong with Mother Church that a bit of snazzy marketing can't fix. Observe as I single-handedly save Catholicism.

First, let's talk about the general tone of the service. Most Catholic Masses are held in poorly lit churches where the congregation sits on cold, uncomfortable benches and is surrounded by stained glass depicting scenes of death and mayhem, all while being serenaded by the most depressing minor-key pipe organ music imaginable. This atmosphere doesn't say, "Hey come here and cele-brate your faith!" It says, "Hey, bring your family here and scar your children

The first thing the Vatican can do to spice things up is take a cue from the world of professional sports. First, altar boys are gone, replaced by cheerleaders and possibly a mascot. Crossy the Crucifix can entertain the kiddies with his wacky antics and toss out T-shirts and the like while the cheerleaders assist the priest by getting the congregation to start "The Wave" at key moments. Gone also is the stained glass - it's now covered by banners trumpeting bingo championship titles and sporting the retired vestments of some of the more celebrated parish priests of the past. The pipe organ can stay, but the organist will be instructed to play only three songs: "Baby Elephant Walk," "The Mexican Hat Dance" and the always popular, "Da-da-da-dah-duhdaa-CHARGE!"

The sports motif will be carried into all

aspects of the service. At the moment of consecration, instead of tiny bells tingling, someone in the crowd will sound an air horn. And, after a successful homily, the priest can spike the Bible and do the Dirty Bird dance. If he's feeling extra ostentatious, he can pull a Sharpie out of his sock and sign the hymn book for a fan in the front row.

So, now that we've kicked the atmosphere up a notch, we need to work on what I think is a major shortcoming: the food. I still remember my First Communion. As I took that sacred wafer and put it on my tongue, I remember thinking one thing: "Wow, the Body of Christ needs a little salt." Communion is supposedly the most important of all Catholic acts, yet we're cursed with bland, dry pseudo crackers. Imagine how much more bounce in your step there would be on the way to Communion if you knew that a bowl full of Cheez-Its was waiting at the end of that aisle. Or possibly a delicious Triscuit cracker. Heck, we could go the full nine and add another distributor. Instead of bread then wine, it would be cracker, guacamole for dipping and then wine.

Speaking of church wine, I have no qualms with it. It's tasty and refreshing. My only beef is that you get so little. You only get a little mini sip, and chances are that what you swallowed was half-wine, half spit-of-the-people-before-you. My suggestion is that everyone brings their own bottle of wine and the priest can just consecrate them all at the beginning of Mass, and then you can just sit back and sip on it for the rest of the service. For that matter, as long as we're going to suspend belief and say that wine is the blood of our savior, can't it be any liquid? Can't it be beer?

Don't get me wrong, it'd have to be good beer. You can't just bring in a sixer of Natty Lite and expect it to transubstantiate into Our Lord. We're talking at least Bud Longnecks. Any theologian can tell you that Jesus would not have had canned beers at the Last Supper. Except maybe for Heineken Keg Cans. Those are expensive.

So, if the Catholic Church takes my suggestions, and it undoubtedly will, I predict a huge boost in the number of Mass-goers. Now if you'll excuse me, I have to wheel a keg into the Basilica.

Joe Muto is a junior FTT and English major who just found out that offering a girl your coat is a move that actually

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Clinton critique irrational

In this time of crisis, I find myself dissecting a variety of opinions for the war, against the war, and all points in between. Often these arguments are fraught with inaccuracies, unfounded conclusions and contradictions in terms. No opinion was as shocking and disappointing at the stance taken by Matt Somma in his letter entitled, "It would be worse without Bush." As a supporter of President Bush's current policy on the fight against global terrorism and a person who voted for Gore in the last election, I feel that there are some key points of Mr. Somma's letter that need to be addressed.

Mr. Somma, while supporting Bush, argues, "What if the attacks of Sept. 11 had occurred during Bill Clinton's administration? Or even worse, Al Gore's?" There is no doubt that President Bush made the right decisions following Sept. 11, but to argue that Al Gore or Bill Clinton would not have responded in a similar fashion is an indefensible and baseless accusation. First and foremost, no one will ever know. To base an entire argument on the assumption that one person who was never placed in a given situation would have failed or performed poorly is unsubstantiated hearsay.

Look how easily this can be accomplished: If Nixon would have beaten Kennedy, nuclear war would have destroyed the earth. If Stephen Douglas had beaten Lincoln, the United States would have been permanently divided. If Ralph Nader had been elected, Sept. 11 would have never even occurred. As ludicrous and groundless these statements are, they parallel the assumptions put forth by Mr. Somma.

Secondly, to state that Clinton's two terms were "blessed with international harmony (for the most part)" and then assert that Clinton was responsible for the United States becoming too "soft" is a contradiction in terms. If we were in a time of peace, what would be the purpose of not making cuts in defense spending?

Clinton's cuts enabled programs and initiatives such as: increased childhood immunization, the working family tax-cut and one that we can all be appreciative of: student loan reform, just to name a few. To assert that military cuts would have prevented terrorist attacks on Sept. 11 is appalling to hear. There is no dollar amount that can prevent a terrorist act at home or abroad. For every bunkerbuster, cruise missile or surveillance drone, there is another terrorist willing to sacrifice his life and the lives of others for purposes that will never truly be under-

Secondly, Mr. Somma's letter lacks accurate perspective. It is easy to look back and say, "We should have done this or that." The fact is we live in a different time now than we did under the Clinton administration. To respond to the destruction of the Khobar towers in 1996 with an all-out ground or aerial assault on Afghanistan would make current world sentiment towards U.S. foreign policy sound like a quiet hiss. To even presuppose that Clinton would have eliminated Osama bin Laden with a few missiles will never be known. Also, in keeping with a previous theme, there is no guarantee that Osama's death would have even prevented the tragedy of Sept.

In closing, Mr. Somma states, "The art of diplomacy is only as strong as the clenched fist that backs it up." I would hope that the actions in Iraq taking place today will not become the measuring stick by which future diplomacy, especially in the case of North Korea and Iran, will be measured. Personally, I long for the day where the tightly clenched fist is loosened into the open hand, and the United States can reach down and assist the struggling people of this earth.

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GUEST COLUMN

Inquiry is patriotic

ARLINGTON, Texas — Let me see if I have this right. Americans want other Americans not to criticize President Bush. Some people won't even eat croutons because crouton is a French word.

It's not patriotic to oppose the commander-in-chief while the nation is at war.

Andy McMillen

The Shorthorn

What? If you do not follow our lead, you are either ungrateful, after all that we've done for you, or you are the enemy. Stop right there.

For the world's greatest democracy as of this writing — this is all backward. Here's how it really goes:

If you love your country and you believe its leaders are making the wrong military and geopolitical choices, then it is not only patriotic to question their actions, it is your duty. A solemn obligation calls free people to have a mind, an intormed opinion and a voice regarding issues such as war, peace, hunger and human rights.

After all, each of us will bear the cost or reap the rewards of our nation's actions, good or bad. We won't be able to say later, "Oops! Sorry about Iraq. I didn't have nothin' to do with it. It was all Bush." Bush will be back in Crawford, Texas with a pension. Average Americans will be working to 65 and beyond to pay for what he commits us to today, and they will be visiting the gravesites of their brothers and sisters and sons and daughters. They also might be dodging terrorist attacks launched as retaliation for today's American actions.

American taxpayers will pay the price in hard dollars - hundreds of billions of them. This alone gives us the right to participate in directing the spending of that money. But money is the least of the

Don't say anything about it? We as human beings will pay the price

in human capital, too. Armies of soldiers coalition and Iraqi both — will die, but at least they, as voluntary and armed combatants, had some reasonable expectation of danger and death. More cruel in their injustice and randomness are the deaths of bystanders who just happened to live in the wrong house, such as the one where the cruise missile accidentally fell and obliterated 17 peo-

Don't protest?

Further payment will be due for yet unforeseen consequences. The surprise slowing of the initial American thrust from Kuwait toward Baghdad could be just a foreshadowing of other events that will almost surely unfold accompanied by more and greater burdens, financial and human. These unknowable results could range from "mere" long-term economic malaise (read: a very long return journey to the land of abundance and plenty) all the way to an Armageddonscale Middle East conflagration.

Why throw a lit match on a multi-billion-gallon barrel of oil? Given these costs, Americans and everyone else affected by the global consequences of the invasion of Iraq have a right to question every edict and analyze every policy. We would be remiss if we did not examine carefully the motives of our officials, both those they proclaim and those that they attempt to conceal.

As of this moment, the only nation using weapons of mass destruction in or around Iraq is not Iraq — it's the United States of America.

How did that go again? Be patriotic and shut up?

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Bienvenidos a Fiesta Tapatia

Fiesta Tapatia in Mishawaka offers authentic, inexpensive Mexican food

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN Assistant Scene Editor

Fiesta Tapatia is a pleasant dining experience, yet not quite exciting enough to distinguish itself from other everyday Mexican restaurants.

The evidence of the quality of its self-proclaimed "authentic Mexican food" is seen in the fact that the patronage of the restaurant seemed to be comprised mostly of regulars who enjoyed relaxing in the casual family atmosphere. Many of the patrons were also of Latin American heritage, adding to the authentic feel immediately perceived when one walks through the door.

The quickness of the restaurant to take orders and to bring out the food made the experience even more enjoyable.

The Atmosphere

The décor inside is as brightly colored as the exterior (the restaurant is unassuming in size and locale, but shouts "Look at me, look at me!" with its bold stripes). The bright, bold colors brighten up the dining room to aid the patron into the authentic feeling emanating from the restaurant and its employees.

Pictorial evidence of birthday fun is displayed on a wall covered with snapshots of sombrero-ed celebrators. Walls decorated with of tapestries, paintings and pictures of Mexican origins gives the patron a feeling of being warped to Mexico to dine for the meal.

Viney plants also adorn the small restaurant and the Latin music is soothing and inconspicuous until the Spanish version of "Achy-Breaky Heart" starts playing. This actually happened. All of those qualities combined provide a unique experience of Mexico right near campus.

The Menu

The menu offers typical cuisine expected of Mexican restaurants with a helpful list of descriptions to distinguish between a tamale and an enchilada for those not experienced enough to know.

The best aspect of the menu is not the many variations of nachos (with cheese, with beans, with beef, with chicken) or the various low-fat options (chicken quesadilla appetizer, chicken dinners like Mole Poblano and Chalupa Tejana) but the low, low prices for plates full of food.

The average price of an entrée ranges from \$5 to \$8, easily affordable for the typical college student.

The Cuisine

Be warned not to indulge in the free chips and salsa until the waitress brings you water. While it's not the hottest salsa, the drinks might come some time later.

Besides the usual alcoholic drinks and soft drinks, there are also delicious fruit-flavored Jarritos. These bottled Mexican sodas come in fun flavors like lime, guava, mandarin, strawberry and tamarindo.

The "famous" fajitas are excellent, and can be made with combinations of chicken, shrimp or steak and onions, bell peppers and tomatoes. The burritos and enchiladas are served buried under mounds of let-



The sign exemplifies the Mexican culture found inside Fiesta Tapatia as it advertises the restaurant's authentic food and atmosphere.

tuce, sour cream and tomatoes, but there is Steak a la Tampiqueña, are also tasty once you find them.

Most lunch and dinner specials include generous portions of Spanish rice and refried beans.

For vegetarians, there is a fairly extensive list of meatless choices that has a selection of bean and cheese versions of the combination dinners. In case someone is craving fajitas during Lent, there are mushroom fajitas as well.

On the other end of the spectrum,

which consists of T-Bone steak served with rice, refried beans, tortillas and tossed salad with sliced avocado, onions and lime.

Desserts

To top off the meal, there are crispy, honey-drizzled sopapillas. There is also creamy flan, which is fried ice cream.

The Experience

Out of the dishes tasted, all of them were appetizing and worth a try. Fiesta Tapatia seems to be the Mexican translation of a home-cooking diner that isn't as famous or flashy as a chain restaurant, but has loyal diners nonetheless for its cook-

Fiesta Tapatia would be a great place to throw a party. The atmosphere is perfect and the prices just right to invite a bunch of amigos and fiesta down.

For authentic Mexican minus the big bucks, check out Fiesta Tapatia and enjoy the food as well as the atmosphere.

Fiesta Tapatia is located at 119 W. McKinley Ave. in Mishawaka and available for dine-in, order ahead. carry-out or pick-up at the window. Hours are from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call the restaurant at (574) 258-



Flesta Tapatia shines brightly despite the dark sky, welcoming customers into the world of Mexican culture and food, while providing a pleasant dining experience in a casual family atmosphere.

'The Hipster Handbook'

A guide to the ins and outs of an almost inexplicable culture

By MARIA SMITH Scene Editor

Hip-ster - \HIP-stur(s)\n. One who possesses tastes, social attitudes and opinions deemed cool by the cool.

Everyone has seen these people. They frequent coffee shops and college campuses, they listen to the newest music and they would never be caught dead drinking Natty Light — unless of course they do it to be ironically mainstream.

For anyone who has ever wanted to be a hipster, or at least understand how one works, "The Hipster Handbook" is here to help. Author Richard Lanham operates on the theory that everybody, even the most unconventional of people, fits into a category. And he proves himself right with observations that are uncannily accurate.

Far from being a mere collection of incorrect outsider stereotypes, Lanham's book may provide a few shocks even to hipsters themselves who glance between the covers. With a few exceptions, "The Hipster Handbook" will let you in on the dress, attitudes, lingo and subcategories of society's rock star-sheik pseudo-outsiders.

How to identify a hipster

According to Lanham, this basically involves evaluating your tastes and deciding if they are sufficiently classy yet non-traditional. Do you prefer the uncombed look to your hair? Do you spend your time in bars with monosyllabic names like Plant or Shine? Do you routinely abbreviate "postmodern" to "PoMo?" You may very possibly be a hipster. If you listen to the Dave

Matthews Band while driving in your SUV, you are probably not.

Even if you fit nowhere within Lanham's specifications of a hipster, it's worth reading further into the book. You may spot some of your best friends within the pages.

Hipster personality types

From the facially pierced Waitstaff and Service Hipsters or WASHes who serve your coffee to baggy pants wearing skateboarding Teeters to trance music and anime character loving Clubbers, Lanham has the Hipsters pegged.

The handbook not only describes the backgrounds, pastimes and life ambitions of all the types, but tells you how to go about dating them. As tricky as dating such a picky group of people may seem, it may not actually be that difficult.

"Teeters regularly sleep on their friends' couches or live at home with their parents, so having a place of your own can be very alluring to them," says Lanham. "If you have food in your fridge, the Teeter's eyes will fill with amore!"

Hipster pastimes

Hipsters prefer foosball to football and will never be found at sports bars, but like a good many non-hipsters, hold drinking as one of their most cherished activities. They are more likely to be found at complete dives which they find appealingly kitschy or at lounges with asymmetrical couches. Hipsters are also likely to be found drinking Cosmopolitans or Bloody Marys and smoking Camels or Lucky Strikes.

Some Hipsters, especially the Loners reminiscent of Daria with unnecessari-

ly large glasses, do not enjoy being around people at all and would rather stay in and watch obscure movies from the seventies. When trying to socialize with these people, it is wise not to exhibit great amounts of self-confidence.

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Unfortunately, Lanham's dictionary of Hipster vocabulary includes very few terms used by actual people. You may in the know using "deck" instead of "cool" and referring to beers as "bronsons," no one else will be, so it's a moot point.

Hipster hairdos

Ilairstyles, and facial hairstyles, are a quintessential part of any hipster's image which must be carefully considered. Although a hipster might look deck with a moustache at first, eventually he will only start to look like a used car salesman. The handbook provides a meticulous guide to which hairstyles can surprisingly be effective and how and when to wear them.

Although some outdated hairstyles can have a kitschy effect, including the "mulletude," make sure to note the handbook's tips on which ones miss the mark of ironic and just look stupid. The flock of seagulls look, for example, is never good.

Lanham's book both glorifies and mocks hipster culture with its insights on what people like as well as why people like, all those things considered part of hipster culture. The book is not a criticism on any particular person, hipster or otherwise, but capitalizes on the social stereotypes that people often hope to leave behind but rarely entirely do. Whether you're looking through

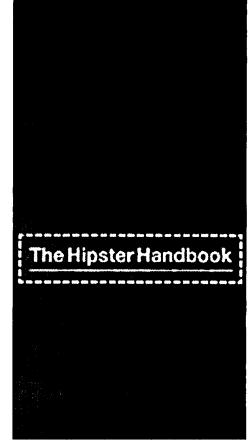


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The handbook is the guide for all who have the urge to become a hipster.

to recognize yourself or someone on the street, "The Hipster Handbook" can provide a window into another point of view, the goal of any good book. Ultimately, however, it is mostly just good for laughs.

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A group of non-hipsters, illustrating the least accepted fashions and actions among the hipster pop culture. These non-hipsters are considered 'fin.'



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'A chipper giving a frado the frigidaire.' This phrase translates to 'A woman who is easy giving an ugly guy who thinks he's good looking the cold shoulder.'

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Kent homers in first at-bat, Astros beat Rockies 10-4

Associated Press

HOUSTON

The Houston Astros wanted more offense. Jeff Kent and Jeff Bagwell gave it to them immediately.

Kent hit a home run in his first at-bat for Houston and Bagwell homered twice as the Astros won their season opener over the Colorado Rockies.

Kent, the 2000 NL MVP, helped lead the San Francisco Giants to the World Series last year. He signed an \$18.2 million, two-year contract with the Astros in the offseason, joining Bagwell and Lance Berkman in the middle of a powerful lineup.

"With the welcome I received from the fans, I did not want to let them down," Kent said. "As long as I've been in the game, I know enough that you don't get off to a bad start. So for all things that came together for me tonight, it means a lot."

Roy Oswalt pitched seven strong innings and the Astros roughed up NL Rookie of the Year Jason Jennings in their first home opener since their stadium was renamed Minute Maid Park.

Kent finished 3-for-5 and scored twice. Bagwell hit a solo homer and a two-run shot, while Geoff Blum also homered and knocked in three runs.

"Kent had a fine game," manager Jimy Williams said. "His first at-bat certainly has to make you feel great. Bagwell had a great game, too, to say the least."

The Astros piled up 14 hits, including six off Jennings in a six-run third inning.

Bagwell's 27th career multihomer game made him the second player in franchise history to hit more than one home run in a season opener. Roman Mejias homered twice against the Chicago Cubs in 1962, the first game in franchise history.

Houston and Colorado were the last two NL teams to start their seasons.

Oswalt, who went 19-9 last season with a 3.01 ERA, held the Rockies to four hits and two runs — one earned.

Jennings gave up eight runs and nine hits in four innings.

Kent homered over the right-field fence off Jennings in the second inning.

Houston blew it open in the

third with four straight hits singles by Oswalt and Craig Biggio, a two-run double by Blum and a two-run homer by Bagwell.

An RBI double by Richard Hidalgo and a sacrifice fly by Brad Ausmus completed the big inning for a 7-2 lead.

'He just couldn't make any pitches when he had to, Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said of Jennings. "The thing you don't worry about Jason is that he's not going to take it to heart. We know that he's ready to go back out there.'

Biggio, an All-Star and Gold Glove winner at second base, played his first game of the season in center field. He agreed to move to make room for Kent.

Preston Wilson doubled and scored on a second-inning single by Jose Hernandez for Colorado. The Rockies got two more runs in the eighth off Bruce Chen on an RBI triple by Larry Walker and a single by Wilson.

A throwing error by Kent in the third inning allowed a run to score.

Yankees 10, Blue Jays 1

Jason Giambi and Andy Pettitte made sure the New York Yankees didn't miss Derek Jeter — at least for one game.

Giambi homered twice, Pettitte pitched seven scoreless innings and Jeter watched from the clubhouse with a dislocated left shoulder as the Yankees beat the Toronto Blue Javs.

One day after Jeter was injured in the season opener, the Yankees got contributions throughout the lineup and won their second straight game over Toronto.

Jorge Posada homered and drove in three runs, Giambi hit a pair of solo shots, Alfonso Soriano had two RBIs, and backup shortstop Enrique Wilson went 2-for-3 with an RBI double in Jeter's place.

Jeter was placed on the 15day disabled list Tuesday and will be out for at least a month — it could be up to four months if he needs surgery. Jeter will have an MRI exam in Tampa, Fla., on Thursday.

Jeter spent the game in the clubhouse and the trainer's room, watching on television.

Bernie Williams led off the

second inning with a double and went to third on Hideki Matsui's groundout. Posada followed with a homer off Cory Lidle to make it 2-0. Soriano added an RBI single in the inning.

Giambi led off the third with a homer and hit a twoout shot into the second deck in the fifth inning for his 20th career multihomer game. He also flied out to the warning track in center against Doug Creek.

The long balls spoiled Lidle's Toronto debut. Acquired in the offseason from Oakland, he allowed five and runs seven hits in six innings.

Blue The Jays lost their first two games for the first since time 1981, and the third time in

team history. Diamondbacks 5, Dodgers 4

Junior Spivey and Mark Grace came through when it mattered most, making Curt Schilling's eighth-inning breakdown a little easier to

Spivey's bases-loaded single in the 10th inning gave the Arizona Diamondbacks a victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Schilling allowed two hits through seven innings and took a 4-0 lead into the eighth. But he gave up a three-run homer to Dave Roberts, then Shawn Green hit an RBI single off reliever Mike Myers to tie

Grace, who entered in a double-switch to start the 10th, doubled on an 0-2 pitch from loser Paul Shuey with one out and was replaced by pinchrunner Quinton McCracken.

Tony Womack's grounder went through the legs of first baseman Daryle Ward for an error, and McCracken advanced to third. Shuey walked Steve Finley on four pitches to load the bases.

Spivey, who was 3-for-4 with two RBIs and a run scored, lined the game-winning hit over third base to bring home McCracken.

Matt Mantei pitched a scoreless 10th for the victory.

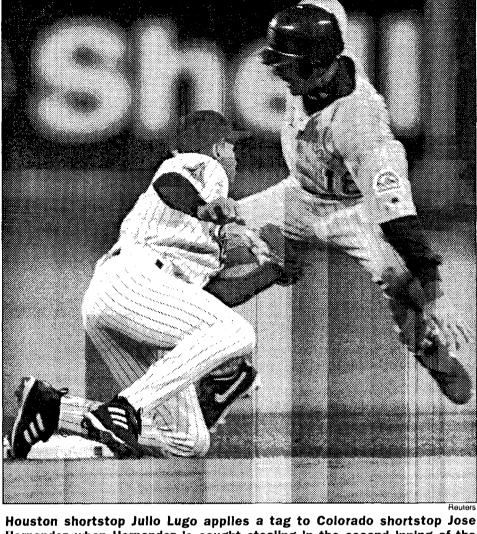
After Roberts' leadoff triple in the third inning, Schilling retired 14 in a row before Alex Cora led off the eighth with a single. Pinch-hitter Ward drew a one-out walk, then Roberts hit a 1-1 pitch into the rightfield seats to cut Arizona's lead

Paul Lo Duca followed with a double, and the left-handed Myers came on to pitch to Green, who lined a single to right-center to tie it.

Fred McGriff doubled to right and Green raced from second for what would have been the go-ahead run. But rookie first baseman Lyle Overbay took the throw from Danny Bautista and fired a strike to catcher Rod Barajas, who tagged Green out on a close play.

The Diamondbacks scored four runs in the first three innings off Odalis Perez.

Arizona, limited to four hits by Hideo Nomo in Monday's 8-0 season-opening loss, scored its first run of the season in the first inning on Spivey's RBI single.



Hernandez when Hernandez is caught stealing in the second inning of the Astros' 10-4 win in their season opener Tuesday night.

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Boxing

Tyson and Lewis could fight June 21, but not each other

Associated Press

Mike Tyson and Lennox Lewis may fight in the same ring June 21 — just not against each other.

Talks are under way for the two heavyweights to appear in separate fights of a heavyweight doubleheader, perhaps in Buffalo, N.Y.

Possible opponents for Lewis include No. 1-ranked Vitali Klitschko, Kirk Johnson or Buffalo's Joe Mesi. Tyson's fight would be against someone along the lines of his last

opponent, perhaps a fading Oleg Maskaev.

Lewis had been hoping to fight Tyson, but Tyson has been adamant that he needs at least two more fights before he challenges Lewis for the title again. Lewis gave Tyson a beating last June before finally stopping him in the eighth round in Memphis.

Though Lewis has a contract calling for a Tyson rematch, talks are being held for the two fighters to appear on the same card and push the rematch back to a later date.

"We're trying to work that

out," said Shelly Finkel, Tyson's manager. "That's part of the ongoing negotiations."

If Mesi is on the card — whether against Lewis, Tyson or someone else — the fight would be big in Buffalo, where the undefeated local heavy-weight is a huge attraction.

If it was held in Buffalo, it likely would be outdoors at Rich Stadium where the Buffalo Bills play.

Representatives of the two camps are also looking at other sites, including Las Vegas.

Lewis hasn't fought since

beating Tyson last June 8, and there has been increasing speculation that the 37-year-old WBC champion really doesn't want to fight anymore. Lewis backed out of a proposed April bout with Klitschko, saying he wanted to wait and fight Tyson in June instead

Tyson, though, said after stopping Clifford Etienne in 49 seconds Feb. 22 in Memphis that he needed more fights before taking on Lewis again. Despite efforts to get him to change his mind, both the Tyson and Lewis camps are

now reconciled to the fact the two heavyweights will not meet each other in June.

Klitschko's lawyers have secured an agreement from the WBC saying Lewis has to fight him by the end of October or give up his belt, but the Lewis camp has been unhappy with the size of the purse that Klitschko is demanding to challenge the champion.

Mesi is 25-0, but he has been brought along carefully, matched up with no-names or over-the-hill heavyweights, mostly in fights in or around his hometown.

NCAA BASKETBALL

Howland might leave Pitt for UCLA as soon as today

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

The arena isn't as nice, the money would be about the same, and the players — at least now — wouldn't be as good. All those disadvantages apparently won't prevent Pittsburgh coach Ben Howland from leaving for UCLA.

Howland, who met with UCLA officials Sunday, was talking about a contract Tuesday, and it wasn't with Pitt. Sources close to Howland said his representatives were finalizing the details that would make him the Bruins' next coach—UCLA's eighth since John

Wooden coached them to 10 national championships from 1964-75.

Pitt was willing to improve the \$5.9 million, seven-year contract Howland signed only last year, but the sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there were no discussions between Howland and the school Tuesday.

The Los Angeles Times reported on its Web site Tuesday that Howland would be introduced as UCLA's coach as early as Wednesday, following a meeting with chancellor Albert Carnesale. UCLA sports information director Marc Dellins declined to comment on the report.

That would follow the timeline Howland spelled out Monday when he met with his Pitt players and told them he wanted the issue resolved by Thursday, when he's leaving for the Final Four in New Orleans.

Howland was an avowed UCLA fan while growing up in Southern California — he played at Cerritos High — and only last week he called the position with the Bruins his "dream job."

Howland is nearing the upper echelon of Division I coaching salaries. Pitt is willing to guarantee him about \$1.1 million per year, and UCLA cannot substantially improve on that.

However, it can offer the prestige of one of the most storied coaching jobs in any sport, a more fertile recruiting base than Pittsburgh and a greater opportunity for ancillary income, such as commercial endorsements.

Howland's biggest concern about UCLA appeared to be the arena issue. While Pitt just opened a \$96 million, luxury-laden arena that is one of the best in college basketball, UCLA has spent decades in Pauley Pavilion, which is filled with history but lacking in amenities.

Howland said last week that Pauley needs substantial upgrades that might force the Bruins to play one season off-campus. However, lining up the money for an upgraded arena at a state-supported university might prove difficult in the immediate future, especially given the current economic climate.

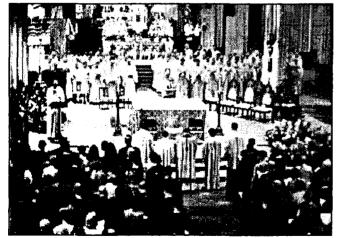
Howland also wants to take his assistant coaches to UCLA, two of whom — Jamie Dixon and Chris Carlson — are native Southern Californians. Dixon, however, is under consideration for the Wright State and Illinois State jobs, and he might be a top candidate at Pitt should Howland leave.

Dixon is Howland's top recruiter — Pitt's incoming class of four recruits is by far its best under Howland — and also handled some of the coaching in practice.

While Howland weighed his tough decision, Pitt also faces one with his impending departure. The school would have to decide whether it can afford to hand over the job to a promising but untested assistant coach such as Dixon, an on-the-rise Division I coach like Howland was 1999, or an established winner who's already a head coach

Howland's departure would be Pitt's second major personnel loss in only four months. Athletic director Steve Pederson left for alma mater Nebraska in December after overhauling Pitt's athletic program. He made numerous personnel changes, built the new basketball arena and football practice facility, and tore down Pitt Stadium, moving the Panthers' home football games to Heinz Field.

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GOLF

Golfers still trying to catch up to Woods

Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. "Chase your own potential."

Davis Love III underlined those four words, even put stars around them, as a reminder that the best way to catch Tiger Woods is to wear blinders.

The strategy came from an offseason session with sports psychologist Bob Rotella. Love jotted down the notes on a yellow legal pad, and he reviewed them the night before the final round of The Players Championship.

He proved to be a quick study.

Love turned in the greatest closing round in the 30-year history of the tournament. In cold, blustery conditions, he shot a bogey-free 64 to make up two strokes on the leaders and eventually win by six.

"We always talk about playing against Tiger down the stretch," Love said. "I was chasing my own potential, and I think that's the difference."

It sounds good on paper, anyway.

The real test comes next week in the Masters — or any other tournament where Love's pursuit puts him on a collision course with Woods on the back nine Sunday.

That never happened on the TPC at Sawgrass.

Love's stiffest competition came from Jay Haas, who had not won in 10 years, and Padraig Harrington of Ireland, who has never won on the PGA Tour.

It wasn't Love's fault that Woods finished one hour in front of him and 11 strokes behind, Woods' largest deficit since the 2001 PGA Championship.

Love didn't need blinders, he needed binoculars.

Would it have been different if Love played the final round with Woods, instead of good friend Fred Couples?

Probably not.

Couples has been around for 20 years and shot a 64 on the final day in 1996 to storm from behind and win The Players

Championship. He called Love's round the best he has ever seen anyone play.

"Not just Davis — anybody," Couples said.

Love said he was building to a moment like this and that he felt comfortable enough to compete with anyone, although he eased off when he saw the next question coming.

"I'm not throwing down challenges and saying, 'I'm back,'" he said. "But it's nice to see the ball going where you're looking."

Phil Mickelson called out Woods in a magazine interview by saying he used inferior equipment, words that were intended as a compliment but perceived as a challenge. Woods whipped him the first time they played together, in the final round at Torrey Pines.

Ernie Els challenged Woods with his results.

The Big Easy became the first player in 14 years to win the first two PGA Tour events of the season, then won twice more against good fields in Australia.

He and Woods met for the first time this year on Saturday at Bay Hill under unfavorable conditions — Els had a sore right wrist; Woods had a four-stroke lead

Woods wound up 10 strokes clear of Els after the third round, and finished 19 shots ahead of him at the end of the tournament.

Love has scars, just like everyone else who has been run over by Woods.

He handed Woods his first PGA Tour victory in 1996 at Las Vegas by missing a 6-foot par putt in a playoff. Woods trounced Love twice during a four-week span in 2000, in the semifinals of Match Play and in the final round at Bay Hill.

"It's going to take somebody to stuff it in his face a couple of times coming down the stretch to knock him off," Love always used to say.

That was the problem.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Marquette coach waiting for call

◆ Jet will be waiting at Final Four for Schwab, who needs a lung transplant

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE
Trey Schwab sits on the
Marquette bench, breathing
oxygen from a tube connected
to a portable tank. He wears a
cell phone on his hip, and he

checks it every so often to see if

he's missed the call that could save his life.

The 38-year-old assistant coach has a disease that is deteriorating his lungs, and a transplant is his only hope for survival.

Schwab is at the top of a waiting list for a donor lung, and if a match is found, word will reach him through a vibration on his cell phone. He then would have just two hours to get to the University of Wisconsin Medical Center in Madison for the operation.

This waiting game is not only tense for Schwab, it's an inconvenience because his team is playing in the Final Four in New Orleans. The Golden Eagles play Kansas in the first national semifinal on Saturday afternoon, and Schwab left for the Big Easy on Tuesday to help with logistics for the team's trip.

"The coach in me would like to put all this on a back burner for another week and not worry about it," Schwab said. "But this is life and death, and it'll happen when it's supposed to happen, and there's not anything any of us can do about

A private jet will be waiting to whisk Schwab away from New Orleans should the call come while he's there.

"We're actually pushing the two-hour window a little bit," Schwab said. "But hopefully we'll have a little bit of leeway if they find a lung for me."

There was just no way he was going to stay back in Milwaukee after Marquette reached its first Final Four since Al McGuire led the urban Jesuit school to its only title in 1977, McGuire's last game as coach.

"It's stressful on the bench and being so far away," Schwab said. "But I'd probably be in more stress if I had to sit at home and watch it on TV."

He's ready — and hoping — for his phone to go off in the middle of the game at the Superdome, or in the middle of the night.

For the first two rounds of the NCAA tournament, Schwab had a prop plane ready to take him

from Indianapolis or Minneapolis, both of which were about an hour's flight from Madison.

"He's everywhere we go lately. A jet is all part of the travel itinerary," coach Tom Crean said. "I hope he's there for the game, unless he can get it ahead of time. It's a no-lose situation for him."

With New Orleans so far from Wisconsin, a faster airplane was needed to get Schwab back quickly enough for transplant surgeon Robert Love to perform the operation that could last up to 24 hours.

"We're going to just have to drop everything and get to the airport as fast as we can when the phone rings," Schwab said.

Shortly after Schwab arrived at Marquette last season, he and Crean developed a nasty cough they couldn't shake, and both men were diagnosed with walking pneumonia. But as Crean got better, Schwab only got worse.

After numerous tests, doctors told Schwab that he had a rare, incurable disease called idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis that attacks the air sacs in the lungs, hindering the body's ability to process oxygen.

After six operations and 15 months on the portable oxygen tank, Schwab moved near the top of the organ transplant list in February. When a donor match is made, the transplant surgeon will determine Schwab will receive one lung or two.

Doctors began cutting back on some of his medications in preparation for the operation, sapping his strength and stami-

"Even healthy people get run down and tired this time of year," Schwab said. "So I've really had to get my sleep and take care of myself."

He feels guilty because other members of the staff have picked up the slack. But not once has anybody complained, Crean said.

Indeed, Schwab has become a source of inspiration to the Marquette's players and coaches in this special season.

"Every time we think things are tough, you look at him and see a man who isn't breathing on his own," Crean said.



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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Shoulder injury will sideline Jeter at least a month

Associated Press

TORONTO

Even the highest payroll in baseball couldn't prepare the New York Yankees for what they face now — playing without leader Derek Jeter for at least a month

Jeter was placed on the 15day disabled list after dislocating his left shoulder on opening night. The Yankees expect to be without their All-Star shortstop for much longer, and it could be up to four months if he needs surgery.

"We miss him when he's out of the lineup for one game," manager Joe Torre said. "To have him out for an extended period of time, we're lucky we haven't had that happen before. This will probably be a month or more. There will be a big void."

Jeter will fly with the team to Tampa, Fla., after Wednesday night's game and have an MRI test conducted by Dr. Allen Miller on Thursday. The Yankees, who open a threegame series with the Devil Rays on Friday, hold spring training in Tampa and have extensive facilities there.

"I'm sure there will be a secand opinion after that. Then the doctors will get together and consult and determine a course of action," general manager Brian Cashman said. "It's six weeks minimum. It could be

sooner. It certainly could be later.'

The test will show the extent of the damage and whether Jeter needs surgery, said Dr. Jonathan Glashow, a shoulder specialist.

Glashow, an orthopedic surgeon at New York's Lenox Hill Hospital, said Jeter could be back in four-to-six weeks if he doesn't need surgery or threeto-four months if he does need an operation.

"Thursday will be the day we'll get at least some sign to the course of action and the ultimate downtime," Cashman

Cashman said the Yankees were more comfortable having their doctors in Florida examine Jeter than having tests in Toronto. The team also figured it would be easier for Jeter to stay with the team that to fly to New York on his own for the

"I don't think it really makes a difference if we do it now or Thursday," Jeter said. "I want to find out. Obviously, something is wrong, because something is out of place. Something probably has to be torn."

Erick Almonte will get most of the time there while Jeter is hurt, although Enrique Wilson started at shortstop Tuesday. Almonte was called up from Triple-A Columbus on Tuesday.

Jeter hurt his shoulder in the third inning Monday night when he slid headfirst going from first to third on an infield groundout.

Toronto catcher Huckaby, covering because of an overshifted infield, landed on Jeter's shoulder in a violent collision. Jeter was down for more than 10 minutes, writhing in pain as concerned teammates surrounded him.

Some of the Yankees thought it was a dirty play. Huckaby called it a "freak" play and left a message on Jeter's cell phone, apologizing.

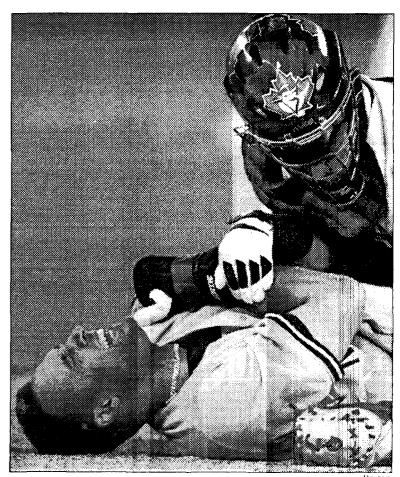
Torre said Huckaby was just being aggressive, and Jeter said he wasn't sure whether the catcher could have avoided the collision.

"I'm just angry I'm going to miss a long time. I'm not happy about it," Jeter said. "I've never done this before. I have no idea how long it will take. I'll be cautious because it's early in the season."

At shortstop, the Yankees aren't as deep. Jeter, a fivetime All-Star, has been the Yankees' leader during their run of four World Series titles and five AL pennants since 1996.

He has played at least 148 games each season, going on the disabled list only three times with minor injuries.

"He'll be missed a ton, no doubt about it." first baseman Jason Giambi said. "This is just some adversity we have to overcome. We've all been through it before, just not with a player

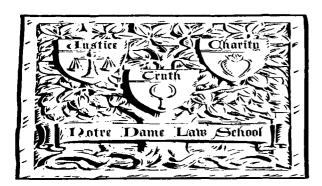


New York Yankees shortshop Derek Jeter writhes in pain after suffering a shoulder injury Monday night in Toronto. Jeter is scheduled to have an MRI Thursday.

like Jeter. We have a lot of car in Columbus on Monday great players on this team and we'll all have to pick up the slack a little bit.'

Almonte was unpacking his

night when Rob Thomson, the vice president of minor league development, called and told him to be ready.



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COLLEGE BASKETBALL



Matt Doherty, shown here in the Tar Heels' 75-63 loss to Duke in the ACC semifinals, resigned Tuesday with three years left on his contract. Doherty's temper was often cited as a problem during his three-year tenure.

Doherty resigns as Tar Heels' coach

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. Matt Doherty resigned Tuesday as basketball coach at North Carolina, ending a bumpy three-year run marked by feuds with players and his failure to lead a storied program back to national promi-

The Tar Heels failed to make the tournament in two of his three seasons. He leaves with three years left on a six-year contract that paid him \$855,000 a season.

Doherty's resignation came after athletic director Dick Baddour held a

series of meetings with players and parents, some of whom complained about the coach's intense practices and drastic mood swings. Three players transferred last season and others talked about it this year.

But Baddour said Doherty's resignation wasn't solely based on those meetings.

"This was an agonizing decision for him to make. Baddour said. "He made this decision with a great deal of class in looking out for what was best for the university."

The 41-year-old Doherty was a Tar Heel fixture the program, having played with Michael Jordan in the early 1980s.

He left Notre Dame and returned to North Carolina to succeed Bill Guthridge, and for the first season, things were fine. North Carolina went 26-7, but it slipped to 8-20 last season — the worst record in the program's history.

This year, his young team finished 19-16.

Baddour picked the inexperienced Doherty after Roy Williams — a former assistant to Hall of Fame coach Dean Smith turned down North Carolina to remain at

long before he took over Kansas. It's unclear whether Williams, whose team is in the Final Four, will be a candidate again.

Baddour said he had no specific timetable for hiring Doherty's replacement.

'It will be a national search," he said. "It will be open. It will not be limited to members of the 'Carolina Family.'"

There was tension from the start of Doherty's tenure, especially when he didn't retain Phil Ford, Dave Hanners and Pat Sullivan as assistant coaches. Instead, he brought in his own staff from his lone season at Notre Dame.

IN BRIEF

Piazza's suspension cut to four games

Mike Piazza's suspension for charging the mound in spring training was reduced to four games, and the New York Mets' All-Star catcher will start serving the penalty Wednesday.

The decision to shorten the ban by one game was made Tuesday by Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief operating officer. He heard Piazza's appeal Monday after New York's seasonopening 15-2 loss to the Chicago Cubs.

"Naturally, I'm glad the suspension has been reduced," Piazza said. "I just want to put this all behind me so I can concentrate on baseball the rest of the season."

The Mets were off Tuesday. If games are played as scheduled, Piazza would be able to return to the lineup Sunday against Montreal.

Bob Watson, baseball's vice president in charge of discipline, originally issued a five-game suspension and \$3,000 fine after Piazza charged Los Angeles reliever Guillermo Mota during an exhibition game March 12. Piazza, who had been hit by a fastball, later went into the Dodgers' clubhouse looking for the pitcher.

"I believe that we did make our points effectively," Piazza said Monday after the 45-minute appeal hearing.

Mota originally was suspended for five games, but appealed and had it cut to four games last week.

Montreal slugger Vladimir Guerrero, suspended for three games for charging the mound in another spring training game, dropped his appeal in exchange for the commissioner's office cutting the penalty to two games.

Task force to restructure **USOC**

Members of a U.S. Olympic Committee task force met for the final time before they present their recommendations for the restructuring of the troubled organization, the New York Times reported Tuesday.

Task force co-chair Bill Stapleton wouldn't reveal the details of Monday's meeting of the USOC Governance and Ethics Review Task Force, which met in Manhattan, the newspaper said.

Stapleton said only that the main components of the recommendations included the trimming of the USOC's 123-member board of directors and its 21-person executive committee. according to the Times.

The task force will present their recommendations before the full board of directors on April 11-13 in Fort Worth, Texas.

The new guidelines would drastically change the dynamics of the organization's board of directors and take politics out of the decision-making process.

'It will be a more preventive system," Stapleton told the Times.

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starter Tom freshman Thornton, who was only expected to see limited action Tuesday, threw five solid innings after getting off to a shaky start, allowing the first run of the game in the top of the first on three consecutive singles.

"In the first and second innings, they were on him pretty good," Mainieri said. "As he was firing I thought, he just needs to get some pitches, get some work and get some experience, so we let him go the fourth and fifth innings.

Thornton finished his outing by giving up only one run on five hits, striking out four and not allowing a walk.

On the other side, the Irish got to the plate early and often, sending 12 batters to the plate in a nine-run second after scoring one run in the first to tie the game.

The binge began when Steve Andres smashed a triple that hit halfway up the centerfield wall, knocking in Matt Macri and Cody Rizzo. Greg Lopez knocked Andres in with a single to left. After Steve Sollmann recorded the first out of the inning, Brennan Grogan singled before Matt Edwards launched a two-run double to right-center to make the score 6-1.

A pitching change for the Titans failed to stop the bleeding as the Irish kept hitting the ball hard. Javi Sanchez smacked a hard shot through the third baseman's legs to drive in Edwards, and Macri,

up for the second time in the inning, fired a towering fly ball that smacked the top of the right-field fence, knocking in two more runs and putting himself on third with a triple. Macri later scored on a wild pitch.

"Tonight was a hitter's night, it really was," Mainieri said. "The atmosphere was so conducive to hitting.'

Notre Dame continued the offensive production in the fifth, in an inning that easily could have been much worse for the Titans. After Rizzo was beaned for the second time in the game, Andres singled through the right side to move Rizzo to third. A double-play groundout by Lopez brought Rizzo home.

Three more runs crossed the plate for the Irish in the sixth, when a one-out fielding error on a sure double-play ball hit by Macri brought home Kris Billmaier. Rizzo knocked in another run with a single to center, and pinch hitter Tim Murray brought in the third run of the inning with another single through the left side three batters later to put the Irish in control, 14-1.

Meanwhile, the Titans staged a mini-comeback in the seventh inning, as they knocked around Irish reliever Scott Bickford for four runs while sending 10 batters to the plate. Three straight singles, followed by a fielder's choice, brought home the second Titan run. Four batters later, the Titans cleared the bases with a double to deep center that drove in three runs.

After Bickford walked the bases loaded again, a fly ball to short left field wreaked havoc with newly-inserted left fielder

Alex Nettey. However, Nettey made a terrific acrobatic catch by leaping for the catch then rolling while maintaining the ball in his glove, saving at least two more Titan runners from scoring.

"The wind was slightly blowing out at the end of the game," Mainieri said. "When that kid hit that ball, I thought Nettey was going to need to make a diving catch towards the infield, but that ball just kept carrying. I thought he just made a real athletic play.

"It looked funny, and he probably made it harder than it should have been, but at least he caught it.'

Freshman Matt Arminio, in his first appearance for the Irish, shut down the Titans in the final two innings, while the Irish added an insurance run in the bottom of the eighth to provide the final margin.

"I was really happy with the way Matt Arminio came in and fooled some batters," Mainieri said. "That was encouraging also.

With his pitching staff still depleted, Mainieri will start Martin Vergara tomorrow against Valparaiso at 5 p.m.

Valpo is another rival of Notre Dame," Mainieri said. "I have a lot of respect for their coach, he works really hard at his job. We've got them at home, and it's another night where I think we just need to take care of business. ... It's going to be really important for Martin Vergara to go out there and pitch well for us tomor-

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Sweetney leads Hoyas to NIT finals

Associated Press

NEW YORK Craig Esherick always knew his team could win big games in the postseason. The Georgetown coach just didn't

know if it would be this year. Having Mike Sweetney makes a lot of things possible.

Sweetney took charge once again and led Georgetown to the NIT championship game, scoring 32 points as the Hoyas beat Minnesota 88-74. Georgetown will play St. John's in Thursday night's title game. The Red Storm beat Texas Tech 64-63

The Hoyas (19-14) lost three games by a point this season. One of those losses came in overtime, in which the Hoyas were 1-3. But now, rather than losing games they had a chance to win, the Hoyas are winning games they had a chance to lose.

The Gophers appeared to have found a solution for Sweetney after allowing him to score 17 points in the first half. They held him scoreless through the early minutes of the second half, while drawing within a point. Sweetney finally dunked for a 53-50 lead with 14:44 to play, sparking a 13-2 run. Sweetney scored six points during the run, helping

Georgetown retake control of the game.

Sweetney shot 16-for-18 from the free-throw line, outshooting all the Gophers, who finished 11-of-18. He punctuated the Hoyas' night with a two-handed dunk that brought a roar from the crowd and gave Georgetown a 10-point lead with 2:56 to play.

St. John's 64, Texas Tech 63 Marcus Hatten made Bob

Knight's return to the National Invitation Tournament an unpleasant one.

Hatten had a steal and layup with 16.2 seconds remaining to give St. John's a thrilling come-from behind victory over Texas Tech in the NIT semifinals. The Red Storm held on in the closing seconds after Hatten missed two free throws with 4.1 seconds left.

Texas Tech got the ball back, and Will Chavis missed a 3-pointer off the rim as the buzzer sounded, sending the St. John's fans running onto the Madison Square Garden

Hatten led the Red Storm with 24 points.

Andre Emmett led Texas Tech with 21 points and 12 rebounds, while Kasib Powell, who's from nearby Teaneck, N.J., added 19 points.

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multiple positions despite only being a freshman.

"As the playing time is coming, I'm getting a lot more comfortable," Rizzo said. "It helps to get the playing time, going through the motions on the field instead of just in practice."

Rizzo has now started in 18 of 23 Irish games this year, including each of the last 11. He has scored at least one run in each of the last seven games, including Tuesday's game where which he scored three, and is currently second in runs scored with 18.

Rizzo credits his early success, as well as the success of his fellow freshmen, to learning from not only the older players on the team but Mainieri as well.

"Every at-bat I learn something new. Every situation, Coach is helping us out, the young guys, and teaching us what to do in every situation," Rizzo said.

Not only is Rizzo a terror for opposing pitchers, he also sports a pretty versatile — and agile — glove on defense.

While earning the bulk of his playing time this season in left field replacing the glove of Brian Stavisky, Rizzo was seen behind the plate as catcher late in Tuesday's game against Detroit.

"I caught a lot in my career, I've played a lot of outfield too, so it really doesn't matter to me where I play, I'm pretty experienced in both positions," Rizzo said. "Playing catcher at the college level is a little different than in high school and on a club team. It takes a little bit getting used to."

So far this season, Rizzo has only made one error and wields a decent .947 fielding

percentage.

Versatility is one of Rizzo's key assets. And while his production numbers definitely support his playing time, he is just happy to be making a contribution to a winning effort, whether that is by his clutch hitting, his consistent defense or his aggressive baserunning.

"I just want to do anything to help out the team," Rizzo said. "If that's to take an extra base, then that helps putting the runners in scoring position, and helps the batter to get the job done."

And his numbers seem to back that up as well — of his 22 hits this season, nine of them have been for extra bases, including seven doubles.

Judging from his performance Tuesday against Detroit, where he went 1-for-3 with three runs scored and an RBI despite getting hit by a pitch twice Rizzo, along with his four fellow freshmen — Greg Lopez, Brennan Grogan, Craig Cooper and Steve Andres — have a bright future ahead of them under the glimmer of the Golden Dome.

"We've really got five freshmen out there that I think can do some really great things here at Notre Dame," Mainieri said.

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ND SOFTBALL

Irish get back in the win column and sweep Purdue

By JUSTIN SCHUVER Sports Writer

Seven was the lucky number for the Irish Tuesday afternoon as they swept intrastate rival Purdue in a double-header by scores of 7-3 and 7-1 at the Varsity Softball Complex in West Lafayette, Ind.

With the wins, the Irish again have a winning record as they improve to 12-11 on the season.

After having four straight games against Big East opponents cancelled due to inclement weather, the Irish came out firing on all cylinders to take care of the Boilermakers. The Irish combined for three home runs and

18 hits in the doubleheader.

In the first game, senior shortstop Andria Bledsoe collected 4 RBIs as she knocked home a grand slam to spark the 7-2 victory.

Notre Dame got on the board first in the second inning, when freshman Meghan

Ruthrauff reached first after an error by the Purdue third baseman. Bledsoe then reached on a fielder's choice, with Sara Schoonaert, pinch running for Ruthrauff, advancing to second.

A single by sophomore Liz Hartmann brought Schoonaert home and advanced Bledsoe to third. Bledsoe put the Irish up 2-0 by stealing home.

The Irish put five runs on the board in the third, including Bledsoe's grand slam. Senior Andrea Loman drove in the other run with a single that plated sophomore Megan

Purdue would then score a run in the bottom half in the third, a run in the fourth and a run in the seventh before their rally fell short.

Sophomore pitcher Steffany Stenglein evened her record to 4-4 this season with the victo-

the second game, Hartmann connected on her fifth home run of the year, which scored two runs, and freshman outfielder Kellie Middleton added a solo shot in a 10-hit explosion for the

The Irish struck right away

in the first inning, when Bledsoe continued her torrid RBI pace with a single that drove in Loman from third. The run was unearned, as Loman was hit by a pitch, advanced to second on a passed ball and then advanced to third on a wild pitch.

Notre Dame scored two more runs in the second off a twoout, two-RBI double by senior second baseman Alexis Madrid. Madrid's hit scored freshman Mallorie Lenn, who singled, and Ciolli, who had doubled to center.

The Irish ran its lead to five in the third when Loman reached base on an error, and was then driven in by Hartmann's two-out long ball.

In the sixth inning,

Middleton slammed a solo-shot to left field, taking advantage of a strong wind, to score the Irish's sixth run of the game.

Notre Dame added one more run in the seventh when a Mattison single scored Hartmann, who reached on a double.

The Boilermakers thwarted freshman pitcher Heather Booth's shutout bid in the bottom of the seventh, when Heidi Foster launched a two-out home run to left center. Booth improved to 8-5 on the year

Notre Dame will return home Thursday to play Loyola (Chicago) at 4 p.m. at Ivy

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SMC SOFTBALL

Belles travel to Kalamazoo looking to earn respect

♦ Strong start gives Saint Mary's confidence going into MIAA play

By PAT LEONARD Sports Writer

Senjor catcher Susan Kutz played in the 12-inning, threehour marathon in the first game of a doubleheader against Kalamazoo last season. At the time, Kutz had

commented on how the Belles played strong for six innings and then relaxed, leaving room for the Hornets to rally and hand Saint Mary's a 9-7

The Belles are aware they cannot fall apart late in games or give up leads if they want to establish themselves as a league power. Coach Anna Welsh is confident her team, which has done so well in its non-conference schedule (10-6-1), will step up and surprise Wednesday at Kalamazoo.

"We have a lot of new players that the conference is not familiar with so we are looking to surprise all of the teams," head coach Anna Welsh said. "Our upperclassmen have another year under the belts from last year and are ready to do whatever it takes to win the conference this year."

After having Saturday's MIAA home opener versus Olivet College cancelled due to inclement weather conditions, Saint Mary's is anxious to go

on the road to open league play against a team they split with last season.

"The team is very excited to start conference and send a message that we are going to did," Welsh said. "I would

contender this year in the league," Welsh said. "We want to start right away and send a message both offensively and defensively."

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The Belles have done it

offensively, averaging over four runs per game by scoring 73 runs in their first 17 contests. Pitchers like junior Libby Wilhelmy and freshman Kate Sajewich are emerging as the leaders of the Belles

Saint Mary's has struggled recently on offense, particularly in the Indianapolis tournament, in which the Belles amounted only six runs and went 1-3 in four games. But Welsh is confident fans will

see a different Saint Mary's squad Wednesday.

"We faced great pitching in Indy, so it wasn't unexpected not to score more then we

> have liked to see more runs but that won't be a downfall for us tomorrow against Kalamazoo or against the

other teams." If all goes as planned and the Belles can steal two from the Hornets, it will be a

statement from a team that was tied for sixth in the league the last time these two played.

"Our goal is to start the tradition this year, right away, to let everyone know that Saint Mary's is going to be one of the top teams, if not the top in the conference this year and all the years following," Welsh

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SMC TENNIS

Belles beat Bethel 7-2, aim to extend streak at Kalamazoo

By LISA REIJULA
Sports Writer

It wasn't a shutout like the last two matches have been for Saint Mary's tennis team, but Monday's 7-2 victory over Bethel College (Ind.) was another solid win for the Belles.

"We're right on track," fresh-

"We're right on track," freshman Kristen Palombo said. "We haven't lost a match since spring break and we're doing great right now."

The Belles, now 9-1 this spring, went with a slightly different roster Monday. Palombo moved up to No. 1 singles and defeated Sarah Mater 1-6, 6-2,

6-0. At No. 2 singles, Kaitlin Cutler won over Bethel freshman Emily Lamport 6-1, 6-0.

At the No. 3 spot for the Belles, Kris Spriggle beat Mindy Clark in a 6-1, 6-1 contest. For the season, Spriggle is undefeated, seeing action previously at the No. 4 slot. Against Bethel, Elisa Ryan played at No. 4 and lost to Wendy Yater 3-6, 3-6.

Rounding out the singles lineup was Miranda Mikulyuk, a 6-1, 6-1 winner over Kristen Conn. At No. 6, Meghan Lambourne also lost, dropping a 0-6, 3-6 match to Amanda Thompson

The Belles bounced back from the two singles losses and swept

all three doubles matches. The duo of Cutler and Ryan made their No. 1 doubles debut by winning 8-3 over Lamport and Clark of Bethel.

A new pairing for the Belles at No. 2, Angela Sandner and Marta Dziekan, beat Julianne Houston and Donna Roberts 8-4. Mikulyuk and Laura Blume played at the No. 3 spot, defeating the pair of Kuehn and Jessica Herbster 9-7.

"It was good to get match practice before tomorrow [against Kalamazoo]," Palombo said. "We're hoping to get better with each match we play."

The afternoon featured faces and players in different positions from the Belles' usual lineup. Jeannie Knish, the usual No. 1 singles player for Saint Mary's, did not compete due to a conflict with her class schedule.

Next up for the Belles is their second conference matchup of the season against Kalamazoo College. Kalamazoo holds an 8-3 record for the 2003 season.

The Hornets are 1-0 in MIAA play after winning 6-3 over

Alma College in their conference opener. Anchoring the roster is sophomore Meaghan Clark, who is ranked No. 21 nationally in Division III womens tennis.

"We're expecting them to be a tough team," Palombo said. "We're just looking match-tomatch right now, and we're ready for them."

The Belles will play at home against Kalamazoo today at 3 n.m.

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ND Womens Tennis

Illini latest Big Ten opponent for the Irish

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

With two Big Ten opponents on their plate this week, the Irish are hoping to continue their domination of that conference. The Irish have had 5 matches in the past 11 days, and four of those have been victories over Big Ten teams.

Perhaps the womens tennis team should join the Big Ten conference, given that they only face three Big East foes during the regular season.

Nevertheless, the Irish have a tough challenge approaching them when they travel to No. 17

Both the Irish and Illini have been hot lately, with Illinois winning seven of its last eight matches and Notre Dame triumphing in four of its last five against ranked teams. Notre Dame suffered a close 4-3 loss March 23 to William and Mary, one of the nation's best squads.

Additionally, Notre Dame has refused to allow Big Ten opponents to emerge victorious. Ohio State, Purdue, Michigan and Iowa are all recent Irish victims.

The Illini, who fell to Northwestern 7-0 Saturday, have had many highlights this season, including the prestige of being the first team to beat No. 1 Duke. Illinois defeated the Blue Devils 4-3 at home Feb. 23, just two days after the Blue Devils beat the Irish 5-2 at the Eck Pavilion.

The Illini's four losses were to highly ranked teams — No. 7 Tennessee, No. 19 Miami, No. 26 Northwestern and No. 28 Oregon. The Irish were also defeated by Northwestern and Tennessee.

Last year, the Irish, ranked No. 23 at the time, pulled out a

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CRESSY and EVERETT/GMAC Realty Office 233-6141 win over unranked Illinois, 4-3. This year, the Illini are the higher-ranked team and the Irish recently fell in the rankings to No. 48 — their worst position since the Intercollegiate Tennis Association first began the rankings in 1993.

The past week-and-a-half has been chock-full of matches for the Irish, with contests on March 21, 23, 25, 26 and 29. After the Irish play with Illinois today, they will face Indiana, yet another Big Ten foe, in Bloomington Thursday.

Compared to the Illini, the Hoosiers should pose a different scenario for Notre Dame. Indiana is 0-4 in Big Ten competition, and the Hoosiers are fresh off an 0-3 road trip. Although Indiana has lost to five ranked opponents, they have failed to win a match against a top team. Last season, No. 40 Indiana upset No. 13 Notre Dame 5-2 at the Eck Pavilion.

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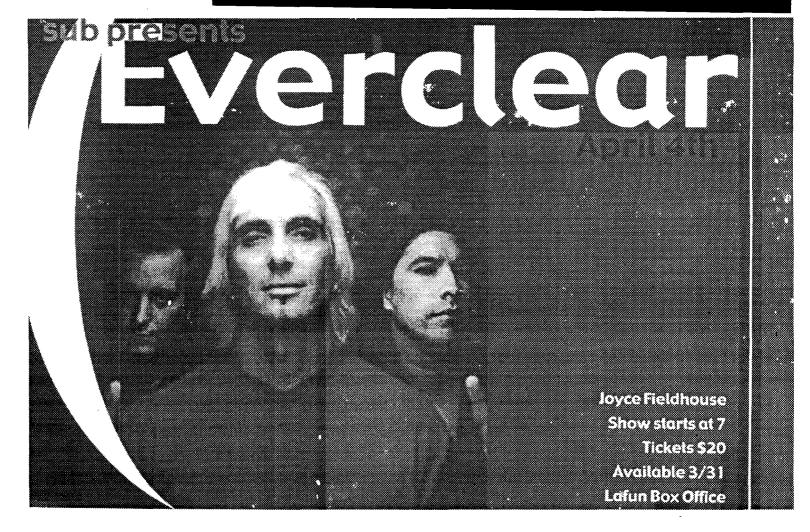
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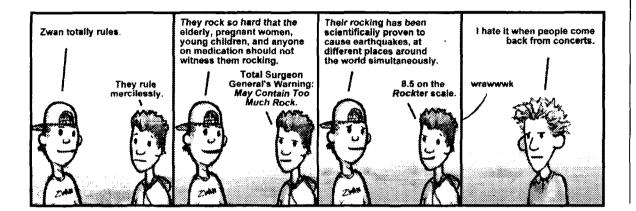
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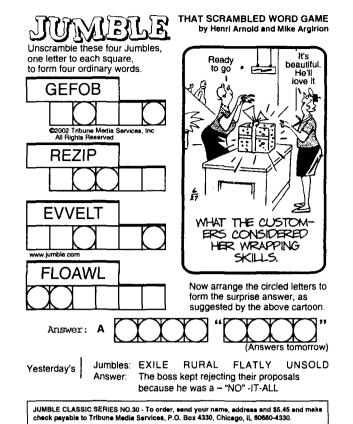
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HENRI ARNOLD MIKE ARGIRION



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ACROSS

- 1 The Charleses' canine 5 Circus
- employee
- 10 Full of energy
- 14 Slick, in conversation
- 15 "I'd walk ___ for
- 16 Saharan
- 17 Doesn't keep
- 18 Hoarder's supply
- 19 Provide pro tem
- 20 Start of a quote by 53-Across when asked to name his favorite song
- 23 Carbolic acid
- 24 Moving about

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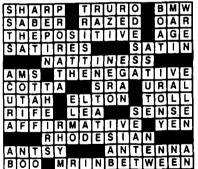
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- 39 Monte __
- ice
- 42 Slur over
- 43 Rainbows, e.g.
- quote

- 53 Speaker of the quote
- 58 Chamber
- 61 TV producer
- 62 Verve
- 63 Channel marker
- 64 Amount
- wagered



- 37 Go for the gold? 65 "Fashion 38 Nickname of
- radio shock jock Greg Hughes
- 40 Chops, e.g.
- 41 Bobby on the

- 44 End of the
- 48 What "dis" is
- 49 Self-assured

- phenomenon
- Spelling

- 13 Like all primes
 - 21 Kabuki kin
 - 22 1920's chief justice
 - 27 Carries on

- Emergency"
- 66 Buzzers
- 67 High bridge
- 68 Talk back to

DOWN

- yourself!" on 1 "Get
- 2 Sluggard's sin 3 Share with the
- church
- 4 Green liqueur 5 Angler's gear
- 6 Nanjing nanny
- 7 Flexible mineral 8 Like some
- textbook publishing
- 9 Item of 5-Down 10 Overshoe
- 11 Lode load
- 12 Card player's
- shout
- but one
- 25 Put darts into,
- as a garment 26 Singer Hayes

- 32 Rock's Brian
- 33 Characters in cels
- 34 Patriots' Day
- month
- 35 Approximately 39 Middle of the
- second century
- 40 Early shows
- 42 Hence
- 45 Relishes
- 46 Game one 47 H+, e.g.
- 50 1965 march city 51 Dutch treats?
- 52 Units of force 54 Talk (over)
- 57 "The Mikado" character 58 Flow's partner

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55 Expanding grp.

56 Ollie's human

- 59 "The Hustier" prop 60 Ground breaker
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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Dana Carvey, Debralee Scott, Emmylou Harris, Marvin Gaye

Happy Birthday: It's time to take a positive position. Recognize what you do well and start to push your attributes for a change. Make the necessary changes that will allow you to move forward and accomplish your set goals. Trust will play an important role in your life. Your numbers are 5, 17, 23, 36, 39, 45

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will be subject to minor

mishaps and accidents if you don't slow down. Try not to argue today, even if someone picks a fight with you. ** TAURUS (April 20-May 20): This is a great day to learn all you can about the people around you. Someone you meet may not be upfront with you. Your strong point will come from your ability to listen and observe. *** GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A serious group that is trying to make important

changes will appreciate your input. You can meet some interesting people who can change the course of your life. ★★★ CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your best efforts will unfold through the hard work you put in today. You will find yourself involved in a bit of a feud if you

are stubborn and unwilling to compromise. ★★★ LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Travel and getting involved in community events will all bring you high returns today. Do a little research in order to follow through with some business plans you have been thinking about. **** VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a step toward financial security. Look into your options and prepare to make some changes to your portfolio. You should be able to start making some changes at home as well. *** LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Partnerships will highlight your day. If you are in one already, you can take it to the next level. If you are single or looking for a

business partner, get out and mingle. ★★★ SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will get a great deal done if you focus on your work today. You will have the drive and determination to finish what you

start. New options will become available to you. ★★★ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Both physical and mental alterations will lead to a sense of accomplishment. Research to find what is being offered that can help you make this transition perfect. ★★★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may be feeling a little unnerved by what is going on around you. Chances are you need a change and the outcome will be beneficial if you just let things unfold naturally. ***
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will be the life of the party today. Others will gravitate to your side and listen to what you have to say. You can expect to receive something today. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You will get ahead if you work hard today and ask your peers for help. The more time you spend on detail, the better your project will turn out. ★★★

Birthday Baby: You will be emotional, giving and someone who likes to get things done. You will be creative, imaginative and unique in your approach

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SPORTS

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

BASEBALL

Offensive Explosion

◆ Nine run second inning leads Irish to 15-5 win over **Detroit at the Eck**

By BRYAN KRONK Senior Staff Writer

It was as easy as turning over a calendar page.

The Irish opened the month of April exactly the way they closed out March; that is, with powerful pitching and very solid hitting.

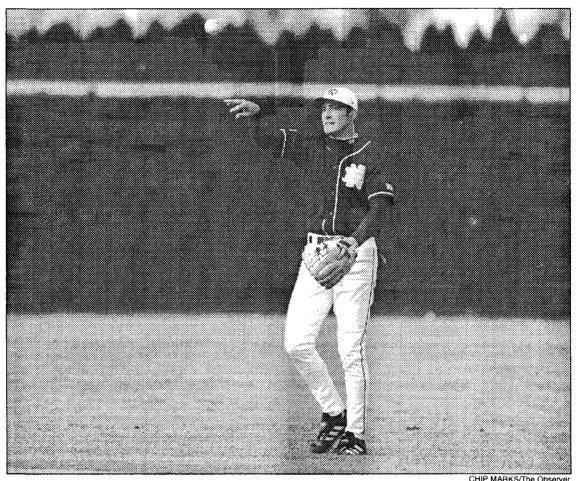
The floodgates opened early and often for the Notre Dame offense as the Irish cruised to a 15-5 victory over the Detroit Titans Tuesday at Eck Stadium.

According to Notre Dame coach Paul Mainieri, the sudden surge in offense spells trouble for the rest of their opponents this year.

"I think the guys are really starting to get into a groove now, so I'm excited about what the season holds for us,' Mainieri said.

Once again, a starting pitcher came through for the Irish as

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Freshman left fielder Cody Rizzo tosses the ball in against Georgetown last weekend. Rizzo and the other freshmen players have been an integral part of the team so far this season.

◆ Rizzo paying dividends in early action for Irish

By BRYAN KRONK Senior Staff Writer

On a team that contends on a national level as consistently as the Irish, you probably wouldn't expect to see a starting line-up stacked with as many freshmen as the current roster features.

But that's not the case with Irish coach Paul Mainieri's

"I've been really excited about the way our freshmen have played, and they're continuing to get better on a reg-ular basis," Mainieri said.

A prime example of the contributions this year's freshman class has already made to the Irish success is left fielder Cody Rizzo. Rizzo is currently second on the team in batting average with a .349 average.

He is also symbolic of a recent surge in the Irish offense, thanks to the ample playing time he received at

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WOMENS LACROSSE

Long road stretch finally ends today at No. 8 Syracuse

♦ No. 14 Irish 3-3 after starting year with six of seven games on road

By ANDY TROEGER Sports Writer

Led by Big East co-Offensive Player of the Week Danielle Shearer, the No. 14 Irish travel to Syracuse to take on the No. 8 Orangewomen in a Big East battle this evening at 7 p.m.

Shearer, a pre-season All-American and Tewaarton Trophy candidate, earned the weekly award for the second time this season for her performance against Ohio State and Virginia Tech.

She scored two goals and had one assist in the losing cause against Ohio State and had three goals and three assists in the victory over Virginia Tech.

The game against Syracuse will mark the end of a seasonopening stretch in which Notre Dame has played six of its first seven games on the road. During the difficult stretch, Notre Dame is 3-3 with wins at Ohio, Boston College and Virginia Tech.

The Irish come into the Syracuse game at 2-0 in the Big East, while Syracuse is 3-1 in conference.

The game against Syracuse also gives the Irish yet another opportunity to notch a victory against a ranked opponent. The Irish have already lost to then-No. 9 Cornell, No. 13 Yale and No. 17 Ohio State.

Despite the setbacks, the Irish remain optimistic they can beat Syracuse and return to the top ten in the polls themselves.

"We know we can win on the road in the Big East," junior Meredith Simon said. "We have to do the same against Syracuse.'

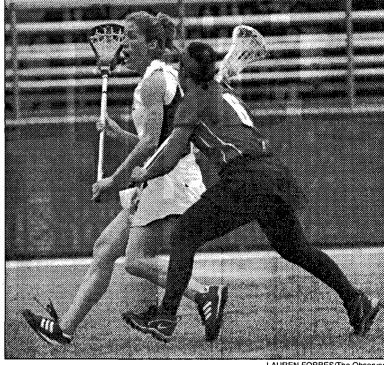
While Shearer leads the Irish in scoring with 13 goals and 12 assists and is third in the Big East in scoring, the Irish have also used a fairly balanced attack. Juniors Simon, Abby Owen and Lauren Fischer, along with seniors Eleanor Weille and Anne Riley have also been major contributors on offense this season.

In addition to Shearer, the other co-Offensive Player of the Week named was Syracuse's Monica Joines. Like Shearer, Joines posted impressive numbers by registering eight points on four goals and four assists against Colgate and adding two more goals in a win over Connecticut.

Despite the strong week from Joines, the Orangewomen's biggest offensive threat comes from junior Leigh Ann Zimmer, who already ranks second in career points at Syracuse with 99 goals and 35 assists for 134

After the game against Syracuse, the Irish will return home Saturday for a Big East game against Connecticut.

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A Notre Dame player attempts to evade a defender in a game earlier this season. No. 14 Notre Dame travels to No. 8 Syracuse today for their sixth road game in seven contests.

ND WOMENS TENNIS Notre Dame at Illinois Today, 3:30 p.m.

No. 17 Illinois is the sixth Big Ten opponent this year for No. 48 Notre

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SMC TENNIS Kalamazoo at Saint Mary's Today, 3 p.m.

Belles look to continue their winning ways in this MIAA conference matchup.

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ND SOFTBALL

Notre Dame 7-7 Purdue 1-3

After their weekend games were cancelled, the Irish get back in the win column with a doubleheader sweep over the Boilermakers.

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SMC SOFTBALL Saint Mary's at Kalamazoo Today, 3 p.m.

A win today would give the Belles some respect in conference.

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