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Ebersol, Istvan tickets advance to run-off

Winning tickets vow to step up campaigns for Thursday election

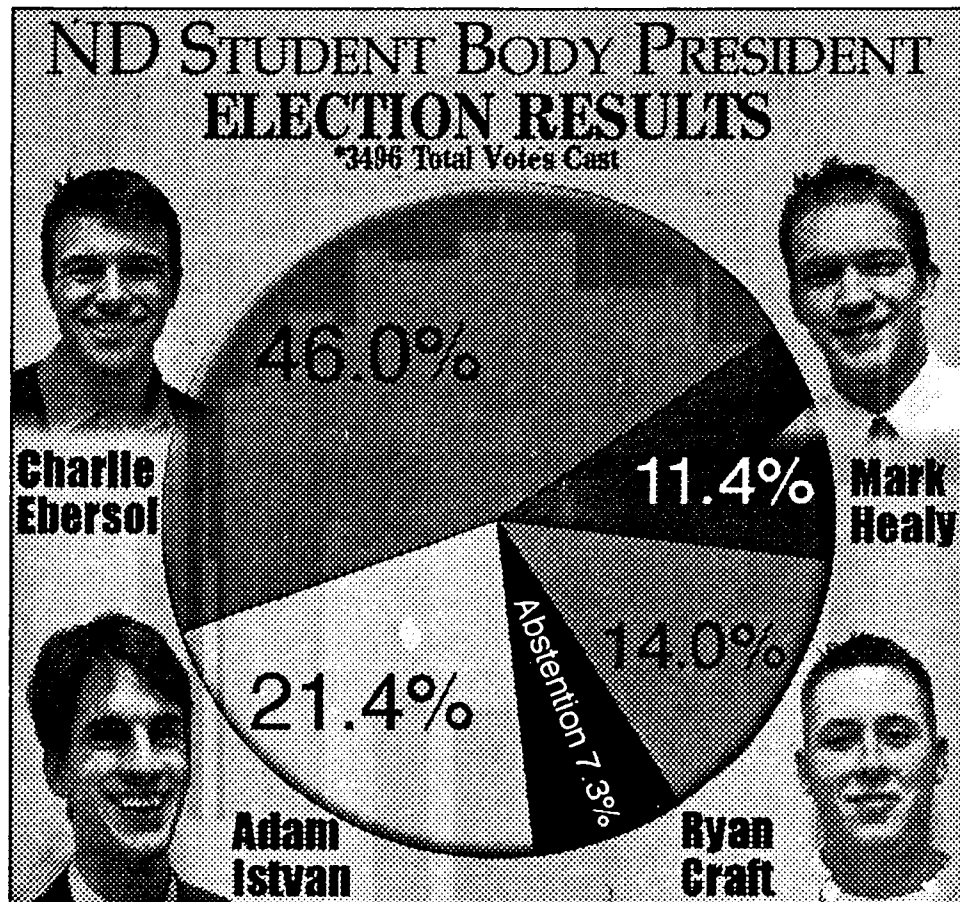
By MAUREEN REYNOLDS
Associate News Editor

The tickets of Charlie Ebersol-James Leito and Adam Istvan and Karla Bell will advance to a runoff election for student body president and vice president on Thursday after Monday's primary.

The two tickets in the run-off election, Ebersol and Leito and Istvan and Bell, received 46 and 21.4 percent of the vote respectively. The remaining tickets, Ryan Craft and Steve Lynch and Mark and Mike Healy, received 14 and 11.4 percent of the vote, respectively. A total of 3,496 students cast ballots in Monday's primary, with 7.3 percent of voters abstaining.

Residence hall loyalty played a role in the elections, as Craft and Lynch won their home

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Losing tickets express no regrets, endorse Istvan-Bell team

By AMANDA MICHAELS
News Writer

The Ryan Craft-Steve Lynch and Mark Healy-Mike Healy tickets will be excluded from Thursday's run-off election after receiving 14 percent and 11.4 percent of the primary vote, respectively.

Both tickets endorsed Adam Istvan and Karla Bell after learning the results, citing the pair's strong policies and similar goals as their reasoning.

"We believe they have the best platform to support. It focuses on getting things done that the students will see, and I like its feasibility. I think they'll do the best job in office," said Mark Healy.

Lynch agreed. "We all had pretty similar platforms," he said. "I would rather see them in office. Everyone should

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Trustees reach no decision on vacancies

By SHEILA FLYNN
News Writer

At a time when several top-level University positions are empty or in transition, the Board of Trustees made "no major decisions" last week at their meeting on campus, University spokesman Matt Storin said.

A trustee said previously the board intended to discuss strategic planning, specifically the University's the most recently launched 10-year

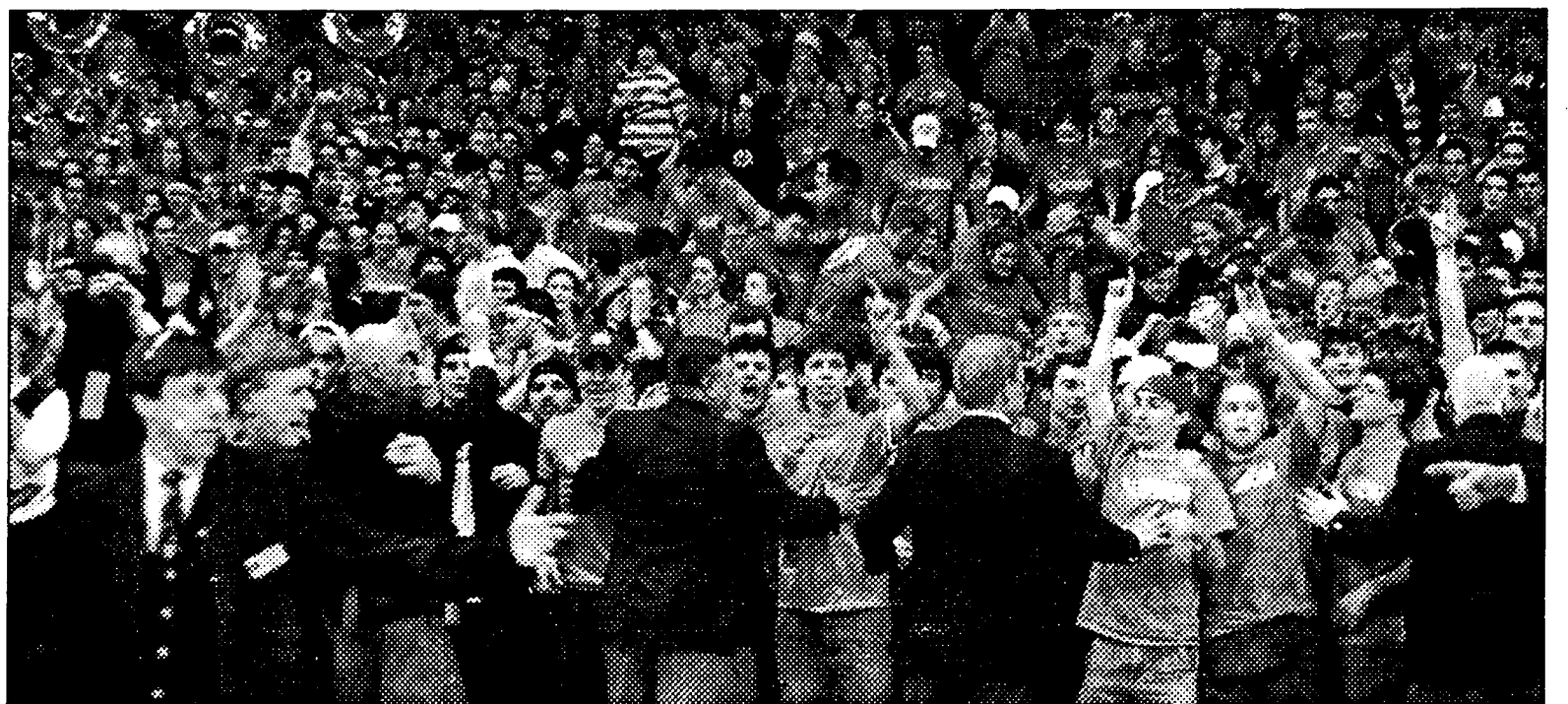
plan.

"Obviously, they had productive meetings," Storin said, but no significant decisions were made regarding executive offices.

The status of these executive offices remains uncertain. The University has yet to fill the position of executive vice president, empty since June 30, when the resignation of Father Timothy Scully took effect. Carol Mooney, vice president and associate provost, will be

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VICTORY!



TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

Ushers attempt to prevent students from rushing the court after the men's basketball team beat the No. 5 Huskies 80-74. Exactly one year ago Monday, the Irish defeated No. 4 Pittsburgh.

COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Quaranto advocates voter registration drive



MICHELLE OTTO/The Observer

Peter Quaranto presents a proposal for a voter registration drive to the Council of Representatives on Monday night. The drive would potentially increase the political awareness of Notre Dame students.

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

Members of the Council of Representatives convened Monday evening in LaFortune Student Center to discuss a voter registration drive.

Peter Quaranto, a sophomore who works at the Center for Social Concerns in the justice education program, spoke to the body regarding a proposed voter registration drive. He said there is significant room for improvement in political awareness among students.

"Notre Dame has typically had a very bad record of political engagement and voter turnout during election

years," Quaranto said.

He encouraged student leaders to assist in the "Rock the Vote" effort, with the goal of registering students and distributing absentee ballots, allowing them to vote in hometown elections while at Notre Dame.

In literature accompanying his presentation, Quaranto cited a study indicating that 92 percent of registered voters between 25 and 29 registered during their college years.

Quaranto proposed including the drive's efforts in campus events, like lectures, Student Union Board concerts and other programs. In his

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INSIDE COLUMN

Mind wanderings

Ahhh, it's about that time of year. No, I don't mean spring-cleaning — just a bit of a refresher for the Inside Column. A pine-green air freshener, if you will, provided compliments of The Observer along with a pile of inky, stinky newsprint.

What happened to those days when the most serious topic to invade the sacred shrine of Page 2 was the complete lack of personal monkey assistants? Ah, for the glory of campus elections past. Now, if we all got a Hummer, that would top the monkeys. Just barely.

I think it's pretty much de rigueur nowadays for any column worth its salt to mention that absolutely nobody reads the Inside Column. There may or may not be some truth to that — when asked if he'd ever read it, a 17-year-old freshman from Zahm with false buck teeth, a cowboy hat turned sideways and the name "Pancho Spilla" said he could neither confirm nor deny reports that he'd been known to read one on occasion.

That's no excuse, though. There's got to be some denia — err, I mean, accountability here! Self-deprecating humor only goes so far before someone just has to stand up, clear the air and then apologize for baking the beans.

On a completely unrelated note, since of late the Irish seem to be under pressure to become more research-oriented, I vote we make the unofficial motto IHTFP. Hey, if M.I.T. uses it, it can't be all wrong ... right?

Speaking of notes, I'm sure Notre Dame has some more harmonious ones planned for the Stadium than U2 and the Boss. Something like ... The Show 2007, featuring Yo Yo Ma and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. Of course, security will still have to be on guard with Breathalyzers at the entrance. Can't have any intoxicated first flutes wandering in, now can we?

This above all, to thine own advice be true, and then it shall follow, as the night the day, something something. I really should listen to my own advice, shut my yap, and spend more time harmonizing my inner peace quotient with campus norms. By that, I mean it's time for me to hit the Huddle for some matches, a tree for some sticks, and a lake for an experiment to see if Plato sinks or swims. Er, whether he's imagined or not. If only ...

Kind of sad that I don't know the lakes apart yet, isn't it? I confess, I just walk by them. I'm like "Hey, lake!" and go on by. I'll never know the lake's name. But the lake is not however therefore nameless ... but blameless is the Willy all the same.

If you read that last paragraph and laughed, you really should quit leaving in the middle of class to go to the bathroom. If you didn't laugh, well, ditto. Sort it out amongst yourselves while I microwave some grapes and see what happens.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: DID YOU VOTE IN THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS?



Karla Bell
Junior
Walsh

"That's today?"



Pat Millea
Senior
Off-campus

"No. I'm too jaded about student government."



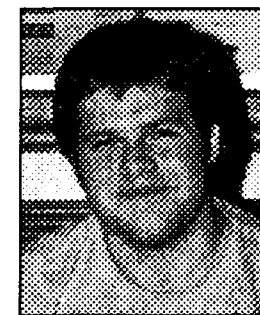
Jesse Beery
Junior
Keenan

"What, and take time away from my bio studying and NCAA football recruiting? That's just daft!"



Saira Khan
Junior
McGlenn

"Yes! I don't want Charlie Ebersol to win ... anyone but him."



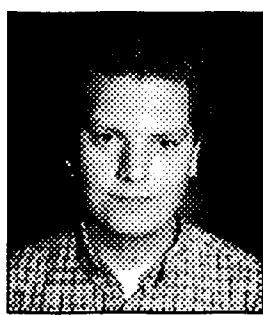
John Korecki
Junior
Stanford

"Yes because I wanted to cancel out my roommate's vote."



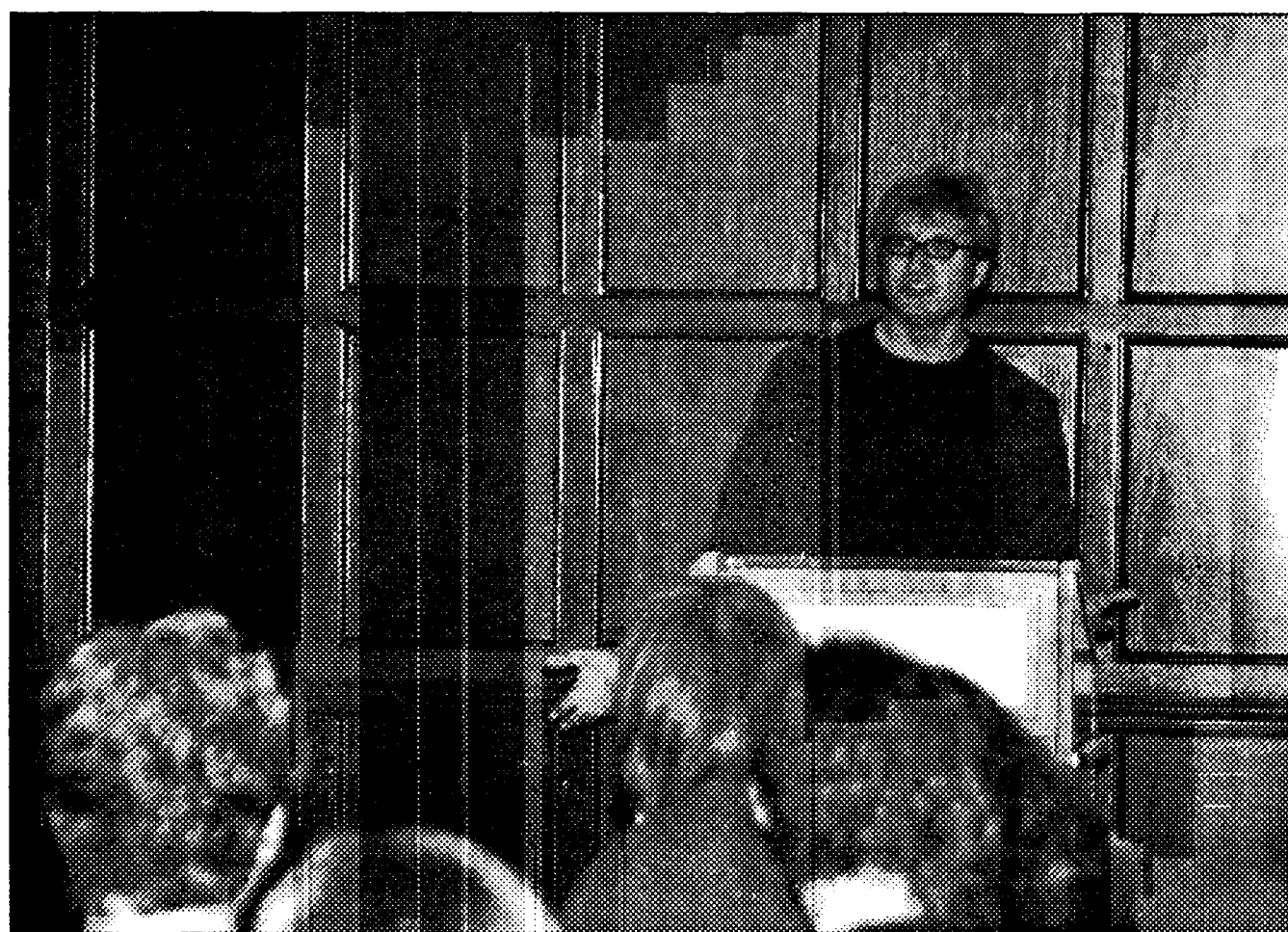
Mark Ersfeld
Senior
Off-campus

"No. I had no idea who ran."



Will Puckett

News
Production



MICHELLE OTTO/The Observer

Chuck Klosterman, author of *Fargo* *Rock City* and a senior writer for *Spin* magazine, speaks to members of the Notre Dame community in the South Dining Hall Oak Room. The event was part of the Notre Dame Literary Festival.

IN BRIEF

Kathleen Bruhn, a visiting Kellogg Fellow from the University of California Santa Barbara will deliver a lecture titled "Partisanship and Protest in Brazil and Mexico." The lecture takes place today at 12:30 p.m. in room 103-C of the Hesburgh Center. The event is sponsored by the Kellogg Institute for International Studies.

Attend a writer's workshop hosted by Chuck Klosterman today in the Foster Room of LaFortune at 2 p.m.

Omolola Eniola of the Department of Chemistry and Biomolecular Engineering at the University of Pennsylvania will present a lecture titled "Design and In Vitro Characterization of Biodegradable Drug Delivery Vehicles within the Adhesive Properties of Leukocytes." The lecture begins at 3:30 p.m. in DeBartolo 141.

Those interested in the Gov. Bob Orr Entrepreneur Fellowship are invited to an information session scheduled for 5:30 p.m. this afternoon in DeBartolo 131.

The International Student Services and Activities is sponsoring a showing of the film "Heaven" at 7 p.m. tonight in DeBartolo 117.

Auditions for "The Taxi Cabaret" by the Farley Hall Players will take place tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Farley Hall chapel.

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

OFFBEAT

Norwegian man pilfers women's high heels

OSLO, Norway — A bold thief with a penchant for high-heeled shoes has been keeping women on their toes in the western city of Stavanger.

The thief, described as a male in his 30s, boldly enters homes, sometimes when the owners are there, and makes off with women's high-heeled shoes, the Stavanger Aftenbladet newspaper reported Monday.

He knocked on the door of one woman's home last month, and asked to check a number in her telephone

book. She left briefly to get it and he jotted down a number. It was only after he was gone that she noticed all her high-heeled shoes were gone from the entry-way.

Another woman told the newspaper that high-heeled shoes had been stolen from her house five times.

Conjoined tortoises separated in Arizona

MESA, Ariz. — A pair of conjoined tortoises were separated Sunday at a Tempe animal hospital in what is believed to be the first surgery of its kind in Arizona.

"I think it was a great success," said Sharon Ehasz, 24, who owns the African leopard tortoises with her husband, Bobby Ehasz. "I think they're going to be a little confused — the world as they knew it is going to be somewhat tilted."

Veterinarians Jay Johnson of University Animal Hospital in Tempe and Jim Jarchow of Orange Grove Animal Hospital in Tucson worked for about three hours to separate the tortoises.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 23 LOW 21	HIGH 27 LOW 19	HIGH 26 LOW 7	HIGH 28 LOW 15	HIGH 30 LOW 17	HIGH 22 LOW 13

Atlanta 50 / 37 Boston 43 / 31 Chicago 29 / 14 Denver 35 / 12 Houston 56 / 42 Los Angeles 74 / 48 Minneapolis 18 / 11 New York 47 / 32 Philadelphia 48 / 32 Phoenix 64 / 41 Seattle 50 / 36 St. Louis 38 / 25 Tampa 80 / 64 Washington 48 / 34

Women's Concern Week commences

By STEPHANIE YAHN
News Writer

Cavanaugh Hall kicked off their annual Women's Concerns Week Monday evening with a viewing of "Whale Rider," a film that explores one woman's struggle to redefine traditional female roles. Women's Concerns began five years ago as a one night event featuring five Notre Dame women of different walks of life and has now evolved into a week-long series that explores a variety of issues.

"[This year's topics] are a lot broader than what you might expect from the title of Women's Concerns," said Rebecca Chimahusky, program coordinator.

This week's talks and events will focus on the ideas of female empowerment and the roles of women in politics, the Catholic Church and cultures other than our own.

Monday's movie provided a powerful example of what it means to break cultural barriers, Chimahusky said.

The story told of the life of a girl named Pai in the patriarchal New Zealand tribe of the Whangara people. Pai believed that she was destined to be the new chief, a role traditionally given to the first born male of the family. She had to fight against the customs of her

culture, which were preventing her from fulfilling her calling. Thirteen year old Keisha Castle-Hughes, the main actress, is a nominee for Best Actress in for this year's Academy Awards.

Following the movie, the week's events continue tonight with a talk by Layna Mosley, a Political Science assistant professor at 7 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom. An open discussion on the role of Women in the Church will be held Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in the basement of Cavanaugh Hall and the final event, Thursday night, will take place at 6:45 p.m. in Coleman-Morse Lounge and feature four international graduate students speaking about their lives as women in their native countries.

Cavanaugh traditionally sponsors Women's Concerns Week during the month of February, which is Women's Concerns month but this is the first year that the talks and discussions have been this open to the campus community. Chimahusky and Sister Patricia Dearbaugh, the rector of Cavanaugh, said that they hope that by spreading the events out beyond Cavanaugh to different forums throughout the campus they will encourage both men and women from across campus to attend.

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SMC gears up for board elections

By ANNELIESE WOOLFORD
Saint Mary's Editor

Presidential elections for Residence Hall Association and Student Diversity Board, two of Saint Mary's most active student government branches, will be held online today via PRISM.

Juniors Martha Hottenstein and Jill Funnell are running unopposed for the respective RHA president and vice president positions.

Hottenstein, Little Sibs Weekend co-chair, and Funnell, health and wellness chair, currently serve on the board under president Shay Jolly and vice president Jackie Zins. This is Hottenstein's second year as a board member.

"Watching two presidents prior to running has helped me see what the job entails," she said. "My experience gives me a strong base for the position and it helps to know that if I have any questions, Shay will still be around to answer them."

Perhaps the largest responsibility on Hottenstein and Funnell's platform is that of providing Opus Apartments, Saint Mary's new on-campus housing complex, a representative voice on RHA. Other platform goals include strengthening the bond between Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and Holy Cross and increasing awareness of intramural sports.

Hottenstein said that the ticket plans to make no changes to the current structure of the board, and instead hopes to expand upon strides already taken.

Juniors Ashley Doughty and Adriana Puente will also run unopposed in today's election for the positions of SDB president and vice president.

Both candidates have held positions on the board for one year under current president Veronica Saavedra and vice president Annemarie Marquez.

Doughty now serves as publicity and journalistic relations chair and Puente as admissions commissioner.

Doughty describes the two as having formed an "instant friendship" through their work on SDB.

"I felt she had the same passion for the board and similar ideas for continuing to build upon where we've come from," Doughty said.

Some of the ticket's platform ideas include increasing the participation of faculty and staff at events, increasing work with student admissions and broadening aspects of diversity beyond those associated with race and ethnicity.

Doughty describes herself as a strong leader, primarily due to her work as a board member and as a tutor at the Robinson Community Learning Center.

"I've had good experiences and I'm ready to step up to the challenge of leading Student Diversity Board," she said.

"Despite only having one ticket, it is important for students to have a voice in their leaders for next year."

Nicole Haeberle
elections commissioner

According to elections commissioner Nicole Haeberle, it is a common trend that just one ticket is running for each of these presidential positions. Candidates typically rise from within the board and are

encouraged to run by the performance of the president that they served under, she explained.

This, however, should not deter students from voting.

"In each election there are three options: a vote of yes affirming the candidates, a vote of no signaling a lack of confidence in the candidates and an abstention signaling ambivalence in the election," Haeberle said. "Despite only having one ticket, it is important for students to have a voice in their leaders for next year."

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dorm of Keenan, Istvan and Bell won Bell's dorm Walsh, Healy and Healy won Mark Healy's dorm Zahm, and Ebersol and Leito won Leito's dorm Siegfried and Ebersol's former dorm Keough. Overall, Ebersol-Leito garnered the highest percentage of votes from 22 of the 27 dorms, in addition to Old College.

Both Ebersol and Istvan expressed confidence in their ticket's ability to win the runoff election, and each said they will be stepping up campaigning within the next few days.

Istvan said his confidence comes from the support he will receive from both Craft and Mark Healy, who is endorsed his ticket, as well as good campaigning.

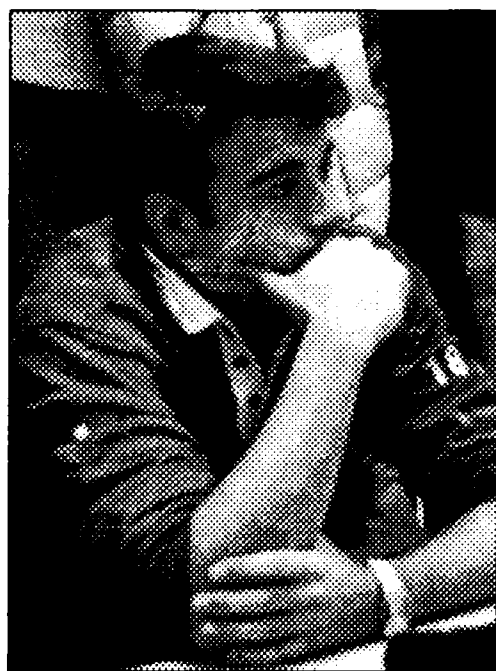
"I think we have a good shot," he said. "Both the Craft and Healy tickets have said that they'll endorse us. I feel confident that with their support and continued campaigning we can move forward with this election."

Istvan said a focus of the remainder of his campaign will be to explain the extent of his platform to students.

"I plan on visiting a lot of people," he said. "I feel I need to explain to people our platform. I've been seen as a one-line election, only about the SYRs ... And we've been played as a ticket that has no experience, and that's not true."

Ebersol said that while he feels good about the results, his goal is to make sure students continue to stay interested.

"I think that we're going to try to maintain the number of



MICHELLE OTTO/The Observer
Charlie Ebersol awaits the election results on Monday.

voters that came out ... make sure students stay involved in the election," he said. "We'll be in dorms — as many as possible — and we'll be increasing the amount of publicity to focus on the difference between [our ticket] and Adam's ticket."

Ebersol also emphasized the need for the next student body president to be prepared for the office.

"I just think the single most important thing is for [a candidate] to be prepared to take over the presidency. It's about understanding how the University works," said Ebersol. "I think that Adam thinks that because he's worked at the University he understands how to work with the University. They're completely different things."

There will be a second round of debates between the remaining candidates Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

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get out and vote in the second election."

Despite their loss, Healy and Healy said they had no regrets for running, adding that it was an experience they would not have given up.

"If I had the chance, I would definitely run again," Mark Healy said. "The issues we brought to the table were considered when they might not have before. We also showed that freshmen can be involved in student government too."

"Besides, Alexander the Great was never elected to anything," Mike Healy said.

Lynch, also speaking for Craft, who was not in attendance, said that the pair would run their campaign differently had they the chance to start again.

"I wish we would have campaigned a little harder and focused on contacting more people," said Lynch.

Though Craft and Lynch will

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leaving her office June 1 to take over as the eleventh president of Saint Mary's.

"[Provost] Nathan Hatch has begun a search process in which he will consider candidates both inside and outside the University," Storin said of the quest to replace Mooney. "He has asked the deans and department heads to suggest candidates, and he has a search consultant assisting him. The opening will be

advertised in the Chronicle of Higher Education."

And while the hunts for Mooney and Scully replacements proceed, the term of University President Father Edward Malloy is scheduled to expire in 2005 — and the Board plays an integral role in deciding whether or not he will retire from the office.

Malloy has held the post since 1987, and, in 2000, he acquiesced to a request from the Board of Trustees to continue as President for another five-year term until 2005.

The Board elects the president, who must be a priest

from the Indiana Province of the Holy Cross order — unlike the executive vice president, who can be a lay person. Presidential candidates are recommended by the Board's governance and nominating committee.

Last week's agenda at the Board's meeting, however, indicated nothing about the Office of the President. The Board will convene again in the spring, when decisions and announcements will be more likely.

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Council

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proposal, student volunteers will host tables at those events, offering voter registration forms that are valid in most states.

Senior class president Jazmin Garcia said registering voters at campus events will broaden the range of students Rock the Vote can reach.

"That way it's open to all students who are interested in going to class events, SUB events, and dorm events," Garcia said.

The senior class council is co-sponsoring the initiative, along with the College Republicans and College Democrats.

Quaranto asked student

leaders for their support in registering as many voters as possible.

"We're looking for funding, support and leadership from student government," he said. "Student government would be the perfect place to take the lead on this sort of thing."

Several council members agreed, expressing interest in the drive. Hall Presidents Council co-chair Sarah Keefer invited Quaranto to address an upcoming HPC meeting, in order to promote the drive.

Members also discussed the ongoing restructuring of the student union constitution. As the discussion began, however, judicial board president Elliot Poindexter moved to close the meeting. The motion passed without opposition or

debate.

In other COR news:

◆ Sophomore class president James Leito encouraged students to attend a Valentine card-making session in LaFortune's Dooley Room on Feb. 12. Leito suggested the men in his class might even find their Valentine there. "There's usually about a 10-to-one ratio of girls to guys," Leito joked.

◆ Student body vice president Emily Chin announced that members of the office of the president's diversity council will address the Student Senate regarding recent affirmative action debates taking place in the Viewpoint pages of The Observer.

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Choral hall to bear donors' names

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame has received a significant gift from a trustee and his wife for the Chris and Anne Reyes Organ and Choral Hall in the Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts.

Elected a trustee last June, Reyes is chairman of Reyes Holdings, a Rosemont, Ill.-based beverage and food distributor.

"I consider my selection as a trustee a tremendous honor and embrace the opportunity to be

associated more closely with Notre Dame, as well as to help enhance the University's growing commitment to the performing arts," Reyes said. "Anne and I are thrilled that our benefaction will allow us to give something back to such a wonderful institution."

The 100-seat organ and choral hall has been designed to showcase a new, handcrafted pipe organ. Its three-story interior calls to mind a neo-classical chapel and lends itself equally

well to recitals and to the celebration of Mass.

"This performance space — especially notable for the way in which it unites Notre Dame's commitment to the performing arts and its Catholic character — will quickly become the centerpiece of the University's programs in sacred and liturgical music," said John Haynes, Judd and Mary Lou Leighton Director of the Performing Arts and executive director of the DeBartolo Center.

EVER WANT TO START A NEW CLUB?

The Office of Student Activities is currently accepting new club proposals. If you have an idea for a club, whose purpose is not currently served by an existing club, the Club Coordination Council encourages the submission of a new club proposal to the Student Activities Office for review. More information can be found at: www.nd.edu/~sao/clubs/newclub.htm

All requirements must be completed before the new club proposal will be reviewed, including:

- Budget
- List of planned events/activities
- Advisor
- List of officers
- Bylaws and purpose statement

Submit the required information to Amy Geist, 314 LaFortune, by 5pm Friday February 13, 2004 for review this year. The next new club review will not occur until January 2005. Contact the Student Activities Office with any questions!

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Japan nears N. Korea sanctions

TOKYO — Japan passed a law Monday making it easier to impose economic sanctions on impoverished North Korea, prompting the communist country to demand that Tokyo be barred from future multilateral talks on its nuclear program.

The law allows Japan to impose sanctions on countries without a U.N. resolution. It does not specifically mention North Korea, but lawmakers have said it is aimed at the reclusive state.

Tokyo could use the law to take steps such as banning North Korean imports and freezing remittances from North Koreans living in Japan — all desperately needed to help the North's devastated economy.

Woman survives week in rubble

ANKARA, Turkey — A critically injured 24-year-old woman was pulled out alive Monday after a week buried in the rubble of a collapsed apartment building — a dramatic rescue that came after teams heard her scraping her finger nails against shattered concrete and pleading, "Water, water."

Yasemin Yaprakci, covered in dust, was carried on a stretcher into an ambulance as relief workers applauded. The rescuers worked for four hours to free her feet, which were trapped under decaying bodies.

She was rushed by helicopter to a military hospital in Ankara where she was in critical condition, suffering from gangrene, internal bleeding and broken ribs.

NATIONAL NEWS

Bishop claims innocence in trial

PHOENIX — Catholic Bishop Thomas O'Brien testified at his hit-and-run trial Monday that he heard a loud crash on the night he struck and killed a jaywalking pedestrian but never saw anyone in the road.

O'Brien, speaking publicly for the first time about the accident that ended his 21-year career as head of the Phoenix Diocese, said he winced and put up his right hand upon hearing the noise on the passenger side of his car.

He said he looked around the car and saw his windshield had been damaged but did not see anyone. The accident caused a spider-web crack over much of the passenger side of the windshield.

Had he seen the pedestrian, "I would have stopped because that's the human thing to do," O'Brien said. "I couldn't imagine not stopping."

Greyhound bus crash hurts 17

WOOD RIVER, Neb. — A Greyhound bus veered off an icy highway and rolled into a ditch Monday morning after the driver swerved to avoid hitting a jackknifed tractor-trailer rig, sending 17 people to hospitals, authorities said.

One passenger was in critical condition. Many of the others injured suffered cuts and bruises.

LOCAL NEWS

Guard unit returns from Iraq

INDIANAPOLIS — Several hundred members of an Indiana National Guard unit that was activated for the war in Iraq more than a year ago will be returning home over the coming week, military officials said Monday.

About 220 soldiers from the 152nd Infantry are scheduled to arrive early Thursday at Indianapolis International Airport, with family and friends invited to attend the arrival.

The next groups from the unit returning — about 250 members of the 152nd's Alpha and Charlie companies — are scheduled to arrive in Indianapolis on Sunday.

Arrival dates have not yet been confirmed for the remainder of the battalion's some 650 members.

The 152nd Infantry has companies based in Vincennes, Jasper, Washington, Linton, Martinsville and Tell City.

Kerry took \$120K for speeches

Records show candidate raised money from companies, lobbyists while in Senate

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — John Kerry took a small amount of political action committee money during a race for the House three decades ago, and later collected more than \$120,000 in speaking fees from companies and lobbying groups as a new senator, records show.

Between 1985 and 1990, when Congress outlawed speaking fees, Kerry pocketed annual amounts slightly under the limits for speaking fees by lawmakers. Unlike many colleagues, he donated a speaking fee to charity only once, according to annual financial disclosure reports reviewed by The Associated Press.

The fees came from interests ranging from Democratic groups and unions to oil companies and the liquor lobby.

One of the companies to pay Kerry \$1,000 for a speech in 1987, Miami-based Metalbanc, was later indicted, along with two executives, on charges it helped the Cali drug cartel in Colombia launder money in the United States. The charges eventually were dropped because the firm was defunct.

At the time of the 1987 speech to Metalbanc, Kerry was chairman of the Senate subcommittee that investigated drug trafficking and money laundering.

Kerry, now the front-runner for the Democratic presidential nomination, said he didn't learn about the drug connection to the company or its executives, who also gave him political donations, until The Boston Globe informed him of it in 1996. He donated several thousand dollars to charities to make amends.



Democratic presidential hopeful John Kerry speaks Monday at a campaign rally in Roanoke, Va. Kerry has come under fire since revelations that he received over \$120,000 in speaking fees during his tenure in the Senate.

Kerry's ethics reports show he made more than 90 paid speeches between 1985, when he first took office, and 1990, when Congress began the move to end honoraria.

The senator's campaign said he accepted the speaking fees, but also gave several speeches a year for free.

Kerry said he refrained from accepting money from organizations that appeared before his Senate committees. He said he stopped taking speaker fees before Congress enacted its ban because he wanted to avoid the appearance of money in politics.

"I personally stopped accepting any honoraria because I came to think it was inappropriate and I stopped voluntarily before it became the law," Kerry said at a press conference

Monday.

Kerry has railed against the influence of special interest money on the presidential campaign trail and frequently boasts he has never taken a dime from PACs, the donating arms of special interest groups, since he joined the Senate.

But records from his unsuccessful race for the House in 1972 show Kerry collected about \$20,000 from PACs, most of them associated with labor unions. For instance, the AFL-CIO's PAC gave him \$3,000, and the railway clerks', autoworkers' and state, county and municipal workers' PACs donated \$500 apiece.

Kerry's spokeswoman Stephanie Cutter confirmed Kerry took the PAC money in 1972, and another small amount in 1982 when he ran for Massachusetts lieutenant governor, before

abandoning such donations starting with his 1984 run for the Senate.

"In his first public race 32 years ago, John Kerry took money from autoworkers, teachers, electricians, and Democratic groups that account for 5 percent of the money he raised in a losing House race," the spokeswoman said. "That was 32 years ago. The difference now is Bush doesn't go 32 minutes without taking PAC money."

When Kerry joined the Senate in 1985, senators could still accept speaking fees but were forced to abide by annual limits, which ranged from \$26,568 to \$35,800.

A number of veteran lawmakers often collected more than \$100,000 in a single year but had to give everything over the limit to charity.

IRAQ

Letter says Osama low on recruits

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — A letter seized from an al-Qaida courier shows Osama bin Laden has made little headway in recruiting Iraqis for a holy war against America, raising questions about the Bush administration's contention that Iraq is the central front in the war on terror.

The 17-page letter, cited as a key piece of intelligence that offered a rare window into foreign terrorist operations in Iraq, appealed to al-Qaida leaders to help spark a civil war between Iraq's two main Muslim sects in an effort to "tear the country apart," U.S. officials said Monday.

One senior U.S. officer, Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt, warned the plea could mean more "spectacular" attacks because the rebels were despairing that their devastating car bombs and

the steady killing of U.S. troops were failing to shove the Americans from Iraq or spark massive discord.

The letter was believed written by Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, a Jordanian suspected of al-Qaida links. Al-Zarqawi is the chief suspect in several recent bombings, and the Bush administration cited his presence in Iraq as evidence of Iraq's terrorist connections even before the war.

Having found no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, the administration has been shifting the reason for going to war to the fight against global terrorism and to oust Saddam Hussein.

Military and coalition officials who rarely speak about intelligence information were quick to describe the letter as proof of a terrorist role in the Iraqi resistance.

White House spokesman Scott

McClellan said that the letter, first reported Monday by The New York Times, shows that "Iraq is the central front in the war on terrorism."

"There are foreign terrorists who realize the stakes are high and they seek to do everything they can to undermine the aspirations of the Iraqi people," McClellan said. "But democracy and freedom are taking root in Iraq and there's no turning back."

The letter, as quoted by the Times, acknowledges problems in recruiting Iraqis to join the fight against an American force "growing stronger day after day."

"Many Iraqis would honor you as a guest and give you refuge, for you are a Muslim brother," it said. "However, they will not allow you to make their home a base for operations or a safe house."

HAITI

Rebel uprising spreads, death toll rises to 41

Associated Press

ST. MARC — An armed uprising spread to nearly a dozen towns in western and northern Haiti on Monday, the strongest challenge yet to President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. At least 41 people have been killed in what the government says is an attempted coup.

After sporadic gunbattles, police regained control of the important port city of St. Marc, 45 miles west of Port-au-Prince. At least two men were shot and another was allegedly shot and killed by Aristide supporters. His body was left at the side of the road.

In the first visit by a senior government official to any of the 11 affected towns, Prime Minister Yvon Neptune inspected the charred remains of the St. Marc police station Monday.

Neptune called on Haitians to help restore calm.

"The national police force alone cannot re-establish order," Neptune told The Associated Press. He told state television on Sunday that "the violence is tied to a coup d'etat."

The uprising, which began last week in the city of Gonaives, signals a dangerous turning point in Haiti's longtime political crisis. A similar revolt in 1985 also began in Gonaives and led to the ouster a year later of dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier and the end of a 29-year family dictatorship.

"We are in a situation of armed popular insurrection," said opposition politician Himler Rebu, who led a failed coup against Lt. Gen. Prosper Avril in 1989. He said Monday he had no part in the current uprising.

Tension has mounted since Aristide's party won flawed legislative elections in 2000 and international donors blocked millions of dollars in aid. Misery has also deepened with most of the nation's 8 million people living without jobs and on less than \$1 a day despite election promises from Aristide, a former priest who had vowed to bring dignity to the poor.

With no army and fewer than 5,000 poorly armed police, the government is ill-equipped to halt the revolt. Police stations have

been a major target because they symbolize Aristide's authority and officers are accused of siding with government supporters in a wave of protests that began in mid-September.

Since capturing Gonaives, a city of 200,000 people, on Thursday, the rebels have spread to towns to the west and north, including the Artibonite valley that is the breadbasket of Haiti.

In the western town of Grand-Goave, some residents fled with belongings perched on their heads. Insurgents also torched police stations in the northern towns of St. Raphael and Dondon.

The United States condemned the violence and called on Aristide's government to respect human rights. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Haiti's problems will be solved by dialogue, negotiation and compromise, not violence and retribution.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said the United Nations "will be stepping up our own involvement fairly soon" but did elaborate.

The rebels are led by several factions, including former Aristide supporters, former soldiers who helped oust Aristide in a 1991 coup and civilians frustrated by deepening poverty.

Aristide won Haiti's first democratic election in 1990 and was then ousted months later by the army. He was restored in a 1994 U.S. invasion, and later disbanded the army.

Rebels have clashed with police in at least 11 towns, stealing weapons from police stations before setting them ablaze. In three towns, rebel leaders said they appointed mayors and police chiefs.

Rebels and residents have set up barricades of flaming tires, wrecked cars, and felled trees on roads leading to Gonaives, St. Marc and the northern city of Cap-Haitien, preventing trucks from delivering fuel for electric power generators. With no fuel, the towns could lose power by late Tuesday, said a power company official who declined to be named.

It was unclear how many peo-



Haitian inhabitants of Grand Goave carry their belongings while fleeing the city on Monday. The town is one of 11 in the northwest region of the country to witness rebel violence.

ple have been killed but tolls put together from witnesses, Red Cross officials, rebel leaders and radio reports indicate at least 41 have died.

Reporters watched as crowds mutilated the corpses of three

policemen in Gonaives on Saturday. One body was dragged through the street as a man swung at it with a machete, and a woman cut off the officer's ear. Another policeman was lynched and stoned.

"Aristide can no longer save the situation for his regime. The end is looming," former President Leslie Manigat said by telephone Monday. The army ousted Manigat in June 1988, after five months in office.

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COMPANY BRIEFS

Juniper to buy NetScreen for \$3.5B

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Juniper Networks Inc., a rival of networking gear giant Cisco Systems Inc., is buying security technology company NetScreen Technologies Inc. for about \$3.5 billion in stock.

The deal, announced Monday, expands Juniper's product portfolio so that it can better compete for business from service providers, government agencies and enterprises, analysts said.

Sunnyvale-based Juniper, the No. 2 network equipment maker behind Cisco, reported last month that its quarterly sales surpassed \$200 million for the first time since September 2001.

Kodak sells unit for \$725M

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Photography icon Eastman Kodak Co., realigning its holdings as it launches full-steam into digital imaging, is selling its historic remote-sensing-systems unit to ITT Industries Inc. for \$725 million.

ITT Industries, based in White Plains, N.Y., is the leading developer of space-based sensors and image information processing services. The deal, announced Monday, is aimed at strengthening its presence in the \$6 billion remote sensing market, which includes devices used in space exploration and spy equipment.

Hasbro posts higher Q4 earnings

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Hasbro Inc., the nation's second-largest toy maker behind Mattel Inc., said its earnings rose 23 percent in the fourth quarter due to strong sales of new products, classic board games and core brands.

The Pawtucket, R.I.-based toy maker on Monday said it earned \$76.6 million, or 43 cents per share for the three months ended Dec. 28. That compared with \$62.16 million, or 36 cents per share, for the same period a year ago.

The earnings results included charges of \$18.4 million related to severance payments stemming from the cessation of toy manufacturing operations at its Valencia, Spain, facility and \$14 million related to exiting leases and severances for employees of the remaining Wizards of the Coast retail stores.

INSIDER TRADING

Martha aide weeps on stand

Secretary breaks down as she recalls relaying tip to embattled domestic maven

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Martha Stewart's secretary broke down in sobs on the witness stand Monday as she described thanking the homemaking mogul for a gift of plum pudding just before relaying a broker's prediction that ImClone Systems stock would drop.

The judge overseeing the trial sent jurors home 15 minutes early when secretary Ann Armstrong could not continue her testimony.

Armstrong was answering questions from a prosecutor about messages she relayed when Stewart checked in on her way to a vacation in Mexico on Dec. 27, 2001. It was the first time they had spoken since Christmas.

"I thanked her for the plum pudding she sent home," Armstrong said through tears. Stewart appeared to take a deep breath, blowing her nose on a tissue and taking sips from a bottle of water.

Another of the messages Armstrong gave Stewart that day had been left by her stockbroker: "Peter Bacanovic thinks ImClone is going to start trading downward."

The government claims Bacanovic was trying to get word to Stewart that ImClone founder Sam Waksal was dumping his shares. Stewart and Bacanovic say they had a pre-existing deal to sell ImClone when it fell to \$60 per share.

Prosecutors, trying to undercut that theory, introduced two message logs that showed Bacanovic sometimes called Stewart to tell her the exact ImClone stock price. But Armstrong said Bacanovic

left no such information on Dec. 27.

Just hours later, Stewart called Bacanovic's assistant and sold her 3,928 shares in the company — avoiding a steep drop in the stock price when the company announced negative news the next day.

Prosecutors called Armstrong to testify after the government's star witness — former Merrill Lynch & Co. assistant Douglas Faneuil, who handled the ImClone sale — finished his testimony after four days on the stand.

Faneuil has insisted that Bacanovic ordered him to tip Stewart about Waksal. He says he never knew of any pre-existing arrangement between Stewart and the broker to sell ImClone when it fell to \$60.

On Monday, under questioning from Stewart lawyer Robert Morvillo, Faneuil said he did not believe at the time that he was doing anything wrong when he passed her the tip about the Waksal sale.

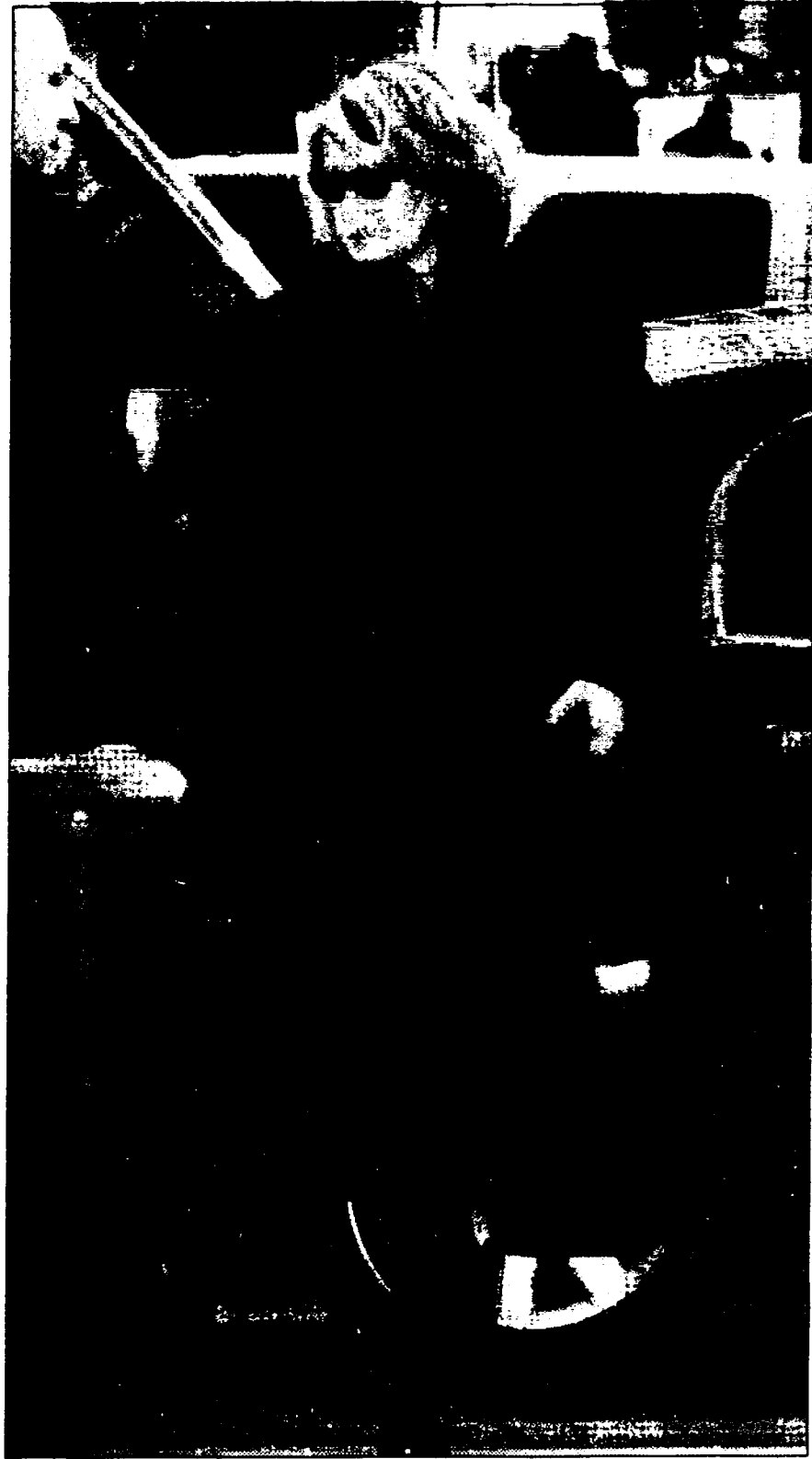
Faneuil also testified Stewart never encouraged him to lie.

Faneuil was asked by Morvillo whether he knew he was violating Merrill policy by relaying the tip. The company forbids its employees to give information about one client's account to another client.

But Faneuil said he only thought about the violation later, and he repeated that Stewart's broker at the time, Bacanovic, had ordered him to give Stewart the tip and encouraged him to lie about it later.

"I would say because Peter told me to do it, I did not think I was doing anything wrong," Faneuil said.

Faneuil, 28, was cross-



Martha Stewart arrives at a federal courthouse in New York for her securities fraud trial Monday. Her secretary broke down in tears during testimony about a gift Stewart had given her.

examined by Morvillo for several hours.

On Dec. 27, 2001, Faneuil handled both Stewart's sale of ImClone and an earlier request by Waksal's accountant to transfer Waksal's shares into the account of his daughter,

Aliza.

Faneuil has testified both events made him uneasy. But Morvillo, trying to damage the witness' credibility, questioned why he did not immediately alert Merrill officials that there might have been wrongdoing.

PERSONAL FINANCE

IRS has \$2B in unclaimed refunds

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nearly 2 million students, retirees and other taxpayers stand to lose \$2.5 billion in refunds if they don't act quickly to claim the money.

The Internal Revenue Service said Monday that anyone who should have gotten a refund for taxes paid in 2000 but didn't file a return must file and claim the money by April 15.

"Don't wait until it's too late," said IRS Commissioner Mark Everson. "We want all taxpayers to get the refund they're due."

Half of those taxpayers could claim refunds of \$529 or more, the IRS estimated. That calculation does not include the earned income tax, which could make the refund even larger for some low-wage workers.

"That's not chump change," said

Fred Grant, a senior tax analyst at Intuit Inc., who urged taxpayers to file the returns before the law stipulates that the money goes to the U.S. Treasury. "I'm sure they'll gladly take it," he said.

Individuals owed a refund have three years to claim it. This year's tax filing deadline is the last chance to claim 2000 refunds.

Students, retirees and anyone who worked part-time or for only part of the year are among those most likely to be owed money. Those individuals typically did not have enough income to be required to file a return, but they may have overlooked the taxes withheld from their paychecks or payments for self-employment taxes. Since they didn't file a return, they never got the refund due them.

In 2000, the IRS did not require

individuals with income less than \$7,200 and married couples with income less than \$12,950 to file a tax return. Those age 65 or older could receive a little more before they had to file a return.

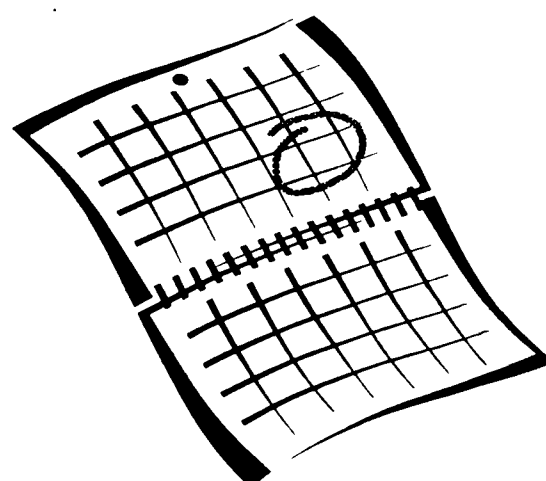
Dependents, a category that includes many students, were not required to file a return that if they earned \$4,400 or less or received \$700 or less in interest, dividends and capital gains.

A refund for taxes paid in 2000 will be held at the IRS if the taxpayer did not file a return for the 2001 and 2002, in case the taxpayer owes taxes for those years. There is no penalty for filing a late return to claim a refund.

Eric Hayes, senior tax analyst at TaxBrain.com, said a refund check is not the only reason to file a tax return.

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Killer given stay of execution

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A convicted killer whose plea for clemency was rejected by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger won a stay of execution Monday, hours before he was to die by lethal injection for hacking four people to death.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals granted the stay to consider whether DNA evidence connecting Kevin Cooper to the crime should be retested amid repeated claims that Cooper was framed by law enforcement.

Cooper, 46, had been set to die at 12:01 a.m. Tuesday in California's first execution in two years.

The appeals court did not say when it would hear the challenge.

Hours after the ruling, and with no word from the 9th Circuit, lawyers for California Attorney General Bill Lockyer petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to vacate the stay.

A deputy to Lockyer said the

law does not allow Cooper to reopen his case so close to his execution date, calling the court's order "an unwarranted intrusion on California's ability to carry out a lawful and final judgment."

Late last month, Schwarzenegger denied Cooper's bid for clemency, the first such plea to cross the governor's desk. Schwarzenegger said the evidence of Cooper's guilt was overwhelming.

The appeals court decision was welcomed by Cooper's celebrity supporters, including actor Denzel Washington and the Rev. Jesse Jackson. But prosecutors and family members of the victims were outraged.

Cooper was convicted of stabbing and hacking to death Douglas and Peggy Ryen, both 41, their 10-year-old daughter, Jessica, and 11-year-old Christopher Hughes after escaping from prison in 1983. The Ryens' son, Joshua, then 8, survived a slit throat.

Cooper claims DNA evidence

was planted, but the courts have balked at new tests, saying there was no evidence of tampering. Cooper's attorneys also insist they have new evidence, producing a woman Sunday who said that on the night of the murders, she saw two men covered in blood at a bar near the scene.

On Sunday, a three-judge panel of the 9th Circuit refused in a 2-1 ruling to stop the execution. But on Monday, the court agreed to rehear the case in front of 11 judges.

The court will decide whether the law authorizes renewed DNA testing of blood evidence linking Cooper to the crime, and whether he can seek testing of hair found in one of the victims' hands. The hair has not undergone forensic testing.

John Kochis, the prosecutor who tried Cooper, said that the hair was from the victim's own head. However, DNA testing was not available in 1984, when authorities came to that conclusion.

Jury names secret in Peterson case

Associated Press

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — The judge presiding over Scott Peterson's murder trial ordered Monday that the witness lists and names of potential jurors remain confidential, despite protests by the media.

Judge Alfred Delucchi, who said he hopes to begin jury selection in about two weeks, told attorneys at a pretrial hearing that he had "nothing against the press. I have a responsibility here to see that Mr. Peterson gets a fair trial."

He ruled that the questioning of potential jurors will be open to media coverage under the condition that the potential jurors' names not be released. He also ordered that the list of witnesses stay sealed.

Karl Olson, who represented the San Francisco Chronicle,

Los Angeles Times and The Associated Press among other media outlets, argued that "justice works best when exposed to public scrutiny."

Both prosecutors and defense attorneys disagreed.

"The media has taken great steps to place themselves in the middle of this case," said prosecutor David Harris. "The media has a right to gain information, but they don't have the right to interfere with a criminal trial."

Peterson's lawyer, Mark Geragos, said he was concerned the media would harass witnesses, citing examples of Web sites publicizing witnesses' names, addresses and phone numbers.

Peterson, 31, who wore a light gray suit and smiled at family members as he entered the courtroom, said nothing during the 40-minute hearing.

First lady donates red suit

Associated Press

NEW YORK — First lady Laura Bush lent a crimson silk and taffeta suit Monday to a collection of red dresses being used to highlight an educational campaign on women's heart disease.

Bush wore the suit as she joined its designer, Oscar de la Renta, at Fashion Week, which began Friday in tents set up in a midtown park for designers to preview their clothes for next fall.

The suit, which Bush has worn to meetings with heads of state including former Chinese President Jiang Zemin, will be added to a collection that will be shown in Chicago, Dallas, Miami, Philadelphia and San Diego in March and April. The tour will also provide health screening and information on heart disease.

"Nothing attracts attention like a red dress, so designers have united to bring attention to heart disease with these beautiful dresses," said Bush.

The suit will join strappy gowns, jeweled frocks and eye-popping mini-dresses created by 26 designers, including Vera Wang, Marc Jacobs, Diane von Furstenberg and Ralph Lauren.

"Fashion Week is about seeing great beauty on the outside," said Fern Mallis, who oversees the weeklong event, "but we all know that being healthy on the inside is what matters most."

Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women; 366,000 women died from it in 2000, according to the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, which is promoting the awareness campaign. By comparison, 42,000 women died from breast cancer that year.

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Believing in a thing called love

During Black History Month in February, my mind turns towards the abominable legacy of discrimination against African-Americans in this country. While racism remains a crippling poison infecting our national and Notre Dame community, open and hateful attacks have intensified against homosexuals. On the national plane, the debate over the ability of homosexuals to build a family unit recognized by the government rages from Massachusetts to Florida — centering on the proposal of the Federal Marriage Amendment. Locally, after receiving the shameful brand by The Princeton Review of being the least welcome institution for alternative lifestyles, our University must contemplate the authenticity of its "Notre Dame Family" image, which seems so central to its character.

As a cultural institution, marriage not only serves the individual desire to share a life with another and build a family unit, but it also functions as a visible sign of commitment between two people. Additionally, civil marriage grants couples around 1,049 federal benefits plus state level privileges.

In my opinion, the denial of same-sex civil marriage is outright discrimination. To prevent one section of society from participating in national institutions and gaining the rights associated with it negates its citizenship and perceived worth in the country.

Yet opponents of civil marriage for homosexual couples appeal to various ideological arguments to hide their intolerance. While some religious communities, like the Catholic Church, do not support homosexuality in practice, a civil marriage would not interfere with doctrine — save for an individual basis. Thus, the United States, unconnected to any religion, could rightly acknowledge gay marriage.

Others argue gay marriage threatens

the integrity of marriage between a woman and man. Heterosexuals do enough on their own to devalue the sanctity of marriage with infidelity, divorce and domestic violence.

Many also criticize comparisons of denying homosexual marriage to the historical interracial marriage bans. The chief impetus behind anti-miscegenation laws that prohibited blacks and whites from cohabiting, marrying and starting a family was solely racial discrimination.

In 1958 Mildred and Richard Loving — a black woman and a white man, were exiled from Virginia after being convicted of miscegenation. The couple brought a case against the state in 1963 and won in 1967, overturning the remaining interracial bans in 16 other states. Critics declared the impossibility of producing mixed progeny was ample reason to outlaw interracial marriage. While this argument was obviously false, the racist climate in America led citizens to believe the claim.

Opponents of gay marriage also argue the inability of same sex couples to start a family. Understanding that homosexual couples are biologically unable to produce offspring alone, in vitro fertilization and adoption refute these claims. However, there also exists opposition to same sex adoptions, partly based on the inability of a gay couple to model both sex roles to children. The image of family, excluding homosexuals, has expanded itself over the years to include many diverse compositions. Instead of being preoccupied with a child's socialization into rigid sex roles which are mostly used to narrow the understanding of gender, we ought to look at a parent — gay or straight — and their ability to love, provide and model themes of fairness and caring to their children.

Court victories, as in Massachusetts, are encouraging and allow these issues to surface, but it is only the first step. We all know the law exudes a limited influence on people's long held prejudices. Therefore, while working to

defeat legal measures of discrimination, all communities need to adopt a true spirit of inclusion for our homosexual sisters and brothers, bringing their lifestyles and images out from the margins.

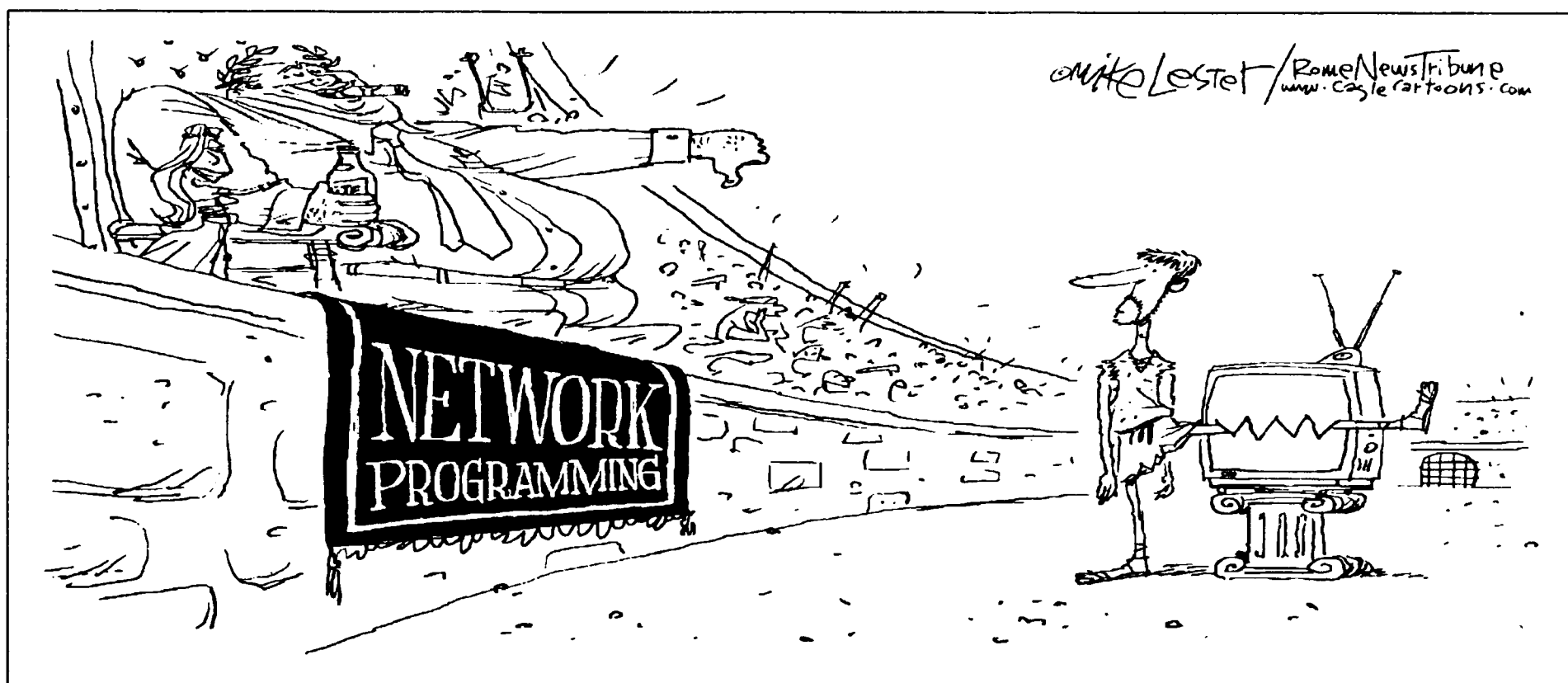
The growing presence of homosexual images on television is extremely encouraging. Shows and mini-series like Will and Grace, Queer as Folk, Angels in America — along with gay characters on ER, Friends and NYPD Blue — feature people dealing with universal experiences and challenges who happen to have a different sexual orientation. Also, these programs highlight concerns of homosexuals creating empathy and marginal tolerance in heterosexual viewers.

As a Notre Dame student, it bothers me to hear the University formally acknowledged as intolerant. While I have experienced racial and ideological prejudice here, the unabashed hostility toward gay people and issues on campus disturbs me. Yet two developments give me hope. The possible formation of a gay-straight alliance here would cultivate cross-lifestyle unity in our student body and possibly assuage the negative climate. Secondly, the Queer Film Festival which runs Wednesday through Saturday, promises to be a great event featuring acclaimed films and directors. The festival focuses on the human experiences of people who also happen to be gay. I urge everyone to patronize the event to broaden her or his understanding of gender, sexuality and the human condition. Plus, it is a chance to see great movies for free and meet some famous filmmakers. Sounds fine by me.

Kamaria Porter is guided by the rhythm of her heart, which is on fire in the Ignatian way. And she really dislikes those candy hearts with words on them. Happy V-Day. She can be contacted at kporter@nd.edu.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



OBSERVER POLL

Do you think Notre Dame should host the "Queer Film Festival" and "The Vagina Monologues?"

Vote by 5 p.m. Thursday at
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"My advice to you is to get married. If you find a good wife, you'll be happy; if not, you'll become a philosopher."

Socrates
philosopher

THE OBSERVER VIEWPOINT

Tuesday, February 10, 2004

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Explaining Church's view on gay marriage

Today I am going to address homosexuality. What does that have to do with Oxford? Nothing. Actually, I have nothing interesting to say about Oxford this week (no surprise) and so I picked a scrap of paper out of the random-idiotic-rants hat, opened it and found this topic written on it.

Geoff Johnston

A Domer at Oxford

More specifically, let us talk civil unions. I am not going to attempt to render a verdict; all I want to do is state what and why the Church believes what it does — which will admittedly consume most of the piece — and what objections can be raised. I will let you decide.

Now, the Church opposes the recognition of civil unions between homosexuals if these unions are equivalent — in terms of benefits, rights, legal recognition — with traditional marriage of members of the opposite sex. The Church does advocate that single-sex couples receive some benefits, namely, those that are directed toward the well-being of children, as opposed to the marriage itself.

Why is this the belief of the Church, or at least, many of its leaders? The Church relies on the twin pillars of scripture and tradition. However, these two sources of data may conflict, or at least present the appearance of doing so, or may be difficult to contextualize into modern life. This problem of reinterpretation is aided by models, which are ways of viewing these sources in a larger philosophical and moral context, and some of these models exert a great influence over Church teaching. One model which is very prominent is that of St. Thomas Aquinas, who inherited his model from Aristotle and subsequently applied it to the twin pillars of Catholicism. Now, this model posits that for every existing being, there is a good, a fitting end. This end is

inherent in the species of the being's existence and is ordained by God. Now, the end for humans is eudemonia, i.e. human flourishing. This is a state of happiness and goodness, and all other goods to which humans are ordered are directed toward achievement of this final end. One of the goods for humanity is procreation. In fact, the Catholic Church believes that sex is inherently ordered toward procreation as the goal of its activity, and thus sexual acts which are not ordered to this proper end are — to quote the

toward the good of all, toward aiding all in their quest for flourishing. Since the Church views homosexual acts as disordered, these actions cannot be (or are not) for the betterment of society, for these actions are ordered toward something improper to them, and thus cause harm. This harm may be evidenced in the disintegration of the nuclear family, since, the Church believes, marriage is oriented to fostering the unity of a procreative couple, and marriage between homosexuals violates the principle that

marriage is for procreation.

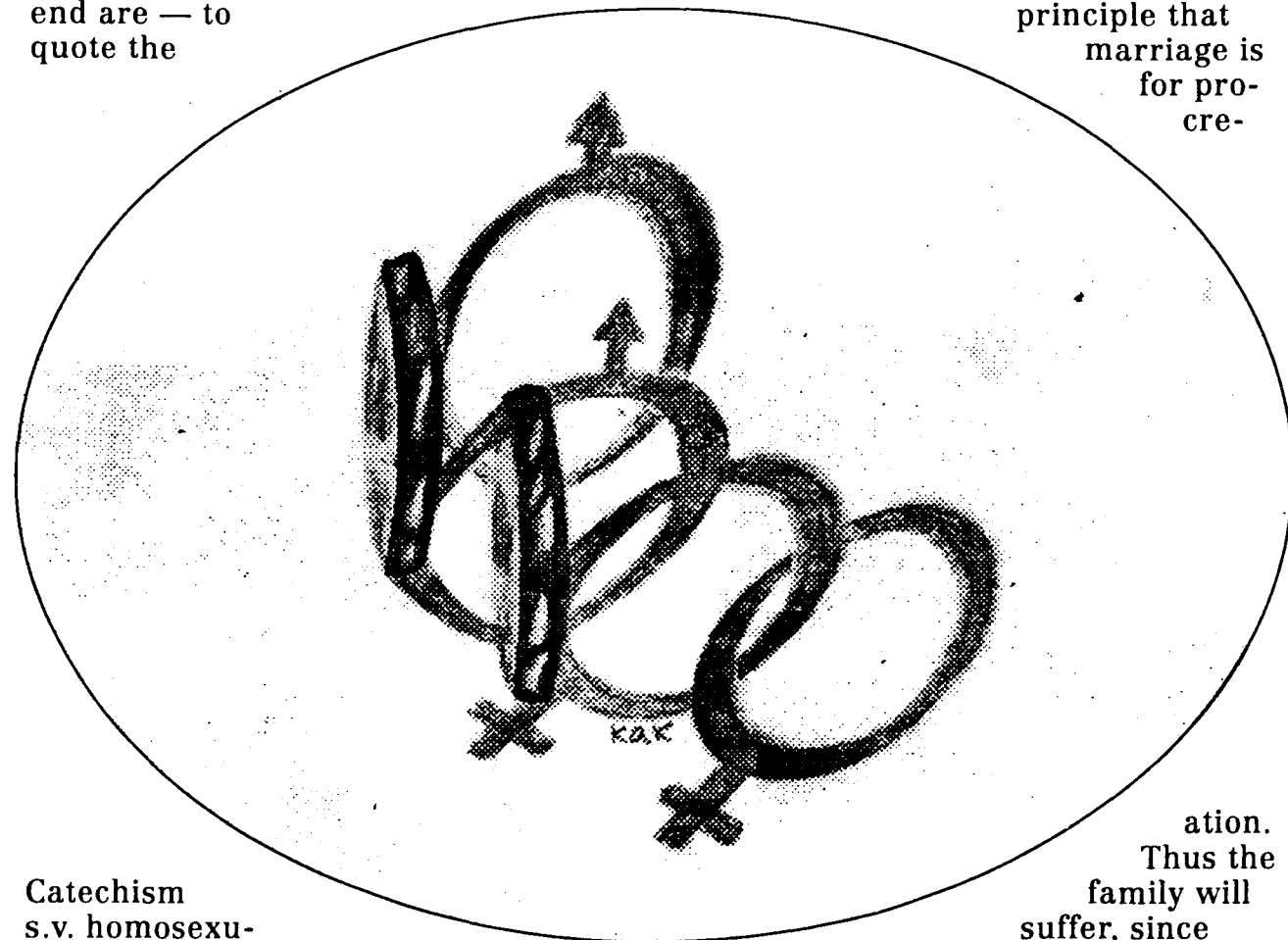
the law is to be ordered to the common good.

Is this a valid concern? One objection runs as follows. Many homosexual couples are in love, as much as any humans can be, and they desire to raise children well. There are many cases of homosexual parents raising children who are as well-adjusted as any other children. Thus the Church, in assuming the function of the family, is gravely diverted by homosexual parents, is mistaken. This objection tries to prove the Church wrong by disputing its conclusion. This argument could continue: Is not the burden of proof on the Church to show that homosexual marriages are not as functional as heterosexual ones? After all, people are autonomous, rational entities, who should be allowed freedom to express their own natures and choose their own paths, and there must be heavy evidence against them if they are to be denied this right. But how can the Church prove that homosexual marriages are not as functional as heterosexual ones, without assuming Catholicism; what research studies can they quote? After all, the Church believes that faith and reason cannot conflict, and if the damage is as grave as the Church claims, there should be evidence in its favor.

I do not have space to address this last point, other than saying that the Church has quoted scientific evidence in previous debates — specifically contraception — to try to prove its point. What should a good Catholic believe? What should a non-Catholic, rational person believe? Now that I have laid out the groundwork, I will leave it up to your good judgment.

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Catechism s.v. homosexuality — "disordered."

This is, in a nutshell, why the Church opposes homosexuality. But why does it oppose civil unions? After all, civil unions are a state's recognition of certain rights and this recognition might not concern the Church. Well, here my knowledge grows a little hazier, but let me take a crack at it. Now, the Church believes law and society should be oriented

toward the good of all, toward aiding all in their quest for flourishing. Since the Church views homosexual acts as disordered, these actions cannot be (or are not) for the betterment of society, for these actions are ordered toward something improper to them, and thus cause harm. This harm may be evidenced in the disintegration of the nuclear family, since, the Church believes, marriage is oriented to fostering the unity of a procreative couple, and marriage between homosexuals violates the principle that marriage is for procreation.

Thus the Church's argument against recognition of civil unions boils down to the fact that homosexual marriages inherently violate the function of a family, since a family presupposes marriage, which presupposes heterosexuality — assuming, of course, that

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Stop, collaborate and listen'

As a student body that is committed (I hope) both to a fuller understanding of our sexuality in a very real sense and to allowing those among us who have been hurt by sexual violence an opportunity to express their pain and grief, we cannot allow the Vagina Monologues to become an issue of good versus evil.

To those who oppose the monologues so vehemently, I would urge you, do not be content to simply label them as something awful and fight against them. Read them (most people I know who are opposed to the monologues have not done so), and then listen to the women around you who have been hurt. The majority of them that I know are in favor of the monologues, not because they have been led astray or because they are stupid, but because something in the monologues resonates with them and starts them down road to healing. There is a reason these monologues are so popular, and it is because of the good that they do. To simply do away with them denies this good.

To those who fight for and put on

the monologues, I ask that you listen to those who oppose them. They are not opposed to them because they are bad people or because they are in favor of violence against women; instead they see something in the monologues that promotes a secular understanding of sexuality and negates the beauty that comes from understanding our bodies in the way that John Paul II calls us to in "The Theology of the Body."

I see no reason for Notre Dame to have to conform to V-Day as it is prescribed on the national level. Instead, something new and better can come from the monologues if we listened to one another and created here, for our Notre Dame community something that allows for women to express themselves and heal without compromising our identity as Catholics. This can happen, but first we would have to (and I apologize for the reference, but I could not pass it up), "Stop. Collaborate and Listen."

Chris Scaperlanda
sophomore
Keough Hall
Feb. 9

Defending a fundraiser for a worthwhile cause

I am sure I echo the sentiment of many students who grabbed The Observer Monday only to read that a possible U2 and Bruce Springsteen concert was nixed by the University. My initial reaction was one of disappointment. I figured it was just not doable due to financial reasons or some other typical, somewhat legitimate excuse. But after I read the front-page story, I realized this was far from a typical situation.

This was not to be merely an average entertainment event. This could have been an outstanding opportunity for a number of parties. First and foremost, millions of dollars could have been raised to be used in the fight against HIV/AIDS. Though it is a disease not encountered often within our bubble, every six seconds, a person is infected by HIV. I am no social rights fighter or hero, but it seems to me that if students and the public could help in the fight by merely attending a concert, people would more than jump at the opportunity. Second, even as a casual observer to the situation, I am sure there would be plenty of obstacles in putting on a concert of this magnitude — financing, crowd control, security, accommodations ... doesn't Notre Dame find a way to do something similar six Saturdays a year? Many may also consid-

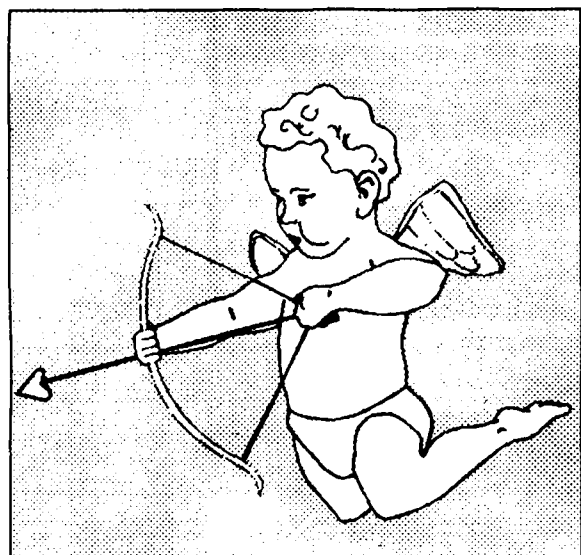
er the stadium to be "sacred" ground, but I have a hard time using this defense in saying no to a concert to raise money for research that may ultimately save lives. I just do not see any bad that could possibly come out of this: millions raised for a wonderful and worthy cause, raised awareness among the student population here and among the general public of the modern-day plague of HIV/AIDS, world-famous musicians coming to Notre Dame's campus to perform for students and the public, not to mention international media coverage that would ensue, and free publicity for Notre Dame — icing on the cake! You would think it would be easier to put on something of this magnitude because the University has done so for so many football weekends. If the musicians are willing and the money is available, I cannot see any legitimate reason for the show not to go on. Sacred ground or not, if my going to see U2 and the Boss at the stadium can contribute to the fight for a cure and the raising of awareness, I will be first in line for tickets.

Tim Masterton
freshman
Knott Hall
Feb. 9

Cooking up a tasty V-day

Valentine recipes that will warm your heart

To the aggravation of singles everywhere, Valentine's Day is fast approaching. Instead of watching your roommate and her oh-so-perfect boyfriend go out for a night on the town (in Mishawaka, so you can't be all that jealous), invite some



other dateless friends over and have an Anti-Valentine's Day soiree. Trust me, it's much better than wallowing over a pint of Ben & Jerry's. Show your love to your friends and make them some scrumptious treats. Paula Deen's Is It Really Better Than Sex? Cake is to die for, and you're sure to love the Double-Dipped Strawberries.

And if you want to be extra festive... Make a mix with such songs as "Love Stinks" by J. Geils Band and "Why Do Fools Fall in Love?" by Diana Ross. Or you could add a few drops of red food coloring to light colored drinks, such as champagne or Sprite for a rosy hue.

Maureen Malloy

Scene Columnist

Is It Really Better Than Sex? Cake

- 1 (18.25-ounce) box yellow cake mix, plus ingredients to prepare
- 1 (20-ounce) can crushed pineapple
- 1 1/3 cups sugar
- 1 (3.4-ounce) box French vanilla pudding, plus ingredients to prepare
- 1 1/2 cups heavy cream
- 1 cup flaked, sweetened toasted coconut

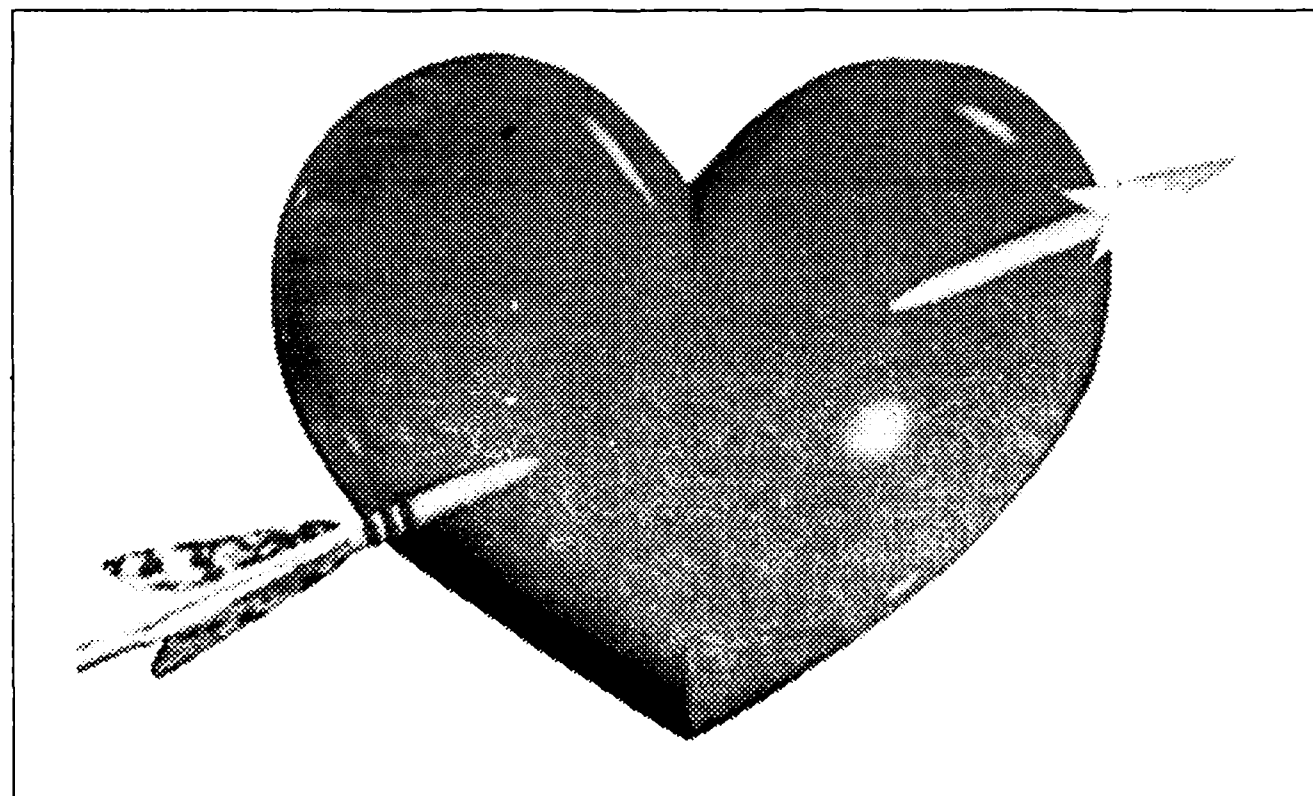
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Prepare yellow cake mix as directed using a greased 13-by-9-by-2-inch pan and bake for 30 to 35 minutes. While cake is baking, combine the pineapple and one cup of sugar in a saucepan, and bring to a boil over medium heat stirring constantly. Remove from heat and allow to cool slightly. Remove cake from oven and using a fork, pierce holes into cake. Pour pineapple mixture over hot cake and set aside. Prepare pudding according to package directions. Spread pudding over cake and refrigerate until thoroughly chilled. Whip heavy cream and remaining sugar until stiff. Cover top of cake with whipped cream and sprinkle toasted coconut on top.

Courtesy of Paula Deen.

Double Dipped Strawberries

- 36 strawberries (about two 1-pint baskets), unhulled
 - 1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips (about 9 ounces)
 - 1 tablespoon vegetable shortening
 - 1 1/2 cups chocolate sprinkles (about 6 ounces)
- Line large baking sheet with waxed paper. Wipe strawberries clean; dry with paper towels. Stir chocolate chips and shortening in top of double boiler set over simmering water until chocolate melts and mixture is smooth. Place chocolate sprinkles in shallow bowl. Holding one strawberry by its green top, dip 3/4 of berry into melted chocolate. Let excess chocolate drip off, then dip into chocolate sprinkles. Place on waxed-paper-lined sheet. Repeat dipping remaining strawberries into chocolate, then into sprinkles. Refrigerate until chocolate coating is firm, about 1 hour. (Can be prepared 8 hours ahead. Keep refrigerated.)

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Notre Dame's F

This four-day festival of films, events, and speak

By PATRICK VASSEL
Scene Writer

As nearly every student knows by now, one of the more dubious distinctions given to Notre Dame this year was Princeton Review's top rated school

where "alternative lifestyles are not an alternative." While the University has worked to change this perception with the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, the administration still refuses to approve as an official club Outreach ND, the independent gay student group on campus. Many on campus, such as Badin

freshman Anne Kroeger, still feel the University isn't doing enough, "If the University was actually open minded and willing to change things then it would be a different story."

Senior film major Liam Dacey decided to do something after a conversation with the president of the Gay and Lesbian Alumni/ae of Notre Dame/Saint Mary's (GALA-ND/SMC). The idea of a

film festival came up and they ran with it. Dacey says the idea of the event is to "normalize the existence of gay students on this campus and offer to the entire community the opportunity to enjoy and study the extraordinary accomplishment of gay cinema artists in the United States."

This is the story behind the First Annual

Queer Film Festival, which runs Wednesday through Saturday in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium. The events planned are not simply screenings of gay films, but discussions and workshops with the people who made them. Those involved in the event hope to create "discussion, awareness and acceptance" of the issue of homosexuality, according to a



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The Opposite of Sex

statement from Dacey, the festival chair, and Mairead Casey, the publicity chair.

While acceptance may be hard to garner from many students, the festival is sure to be a huge step in terms of awareness. All films have been honored by many different organizations and received critical acclaim both nationally and internationally. In addition, there are several special events involving the filmmakers, including some Notre Dame grads.

Wednesday's film is "Jim is Bold," a documentary about the life and untimely death of Jim Wheeler, a gay teenager who committed suicide. The hope shining through this tragedy comes from Young Gay America, a group the film follows as they travel to conservative areas to talk to other gay teenagers struggling with the attitudes around them. Malcolm Lazin, producer of the film and executive director of the Equality Forum will join Benjie Nycum, Mike Glatze and Scott MacPhee from Young Gay America to answer questions afterwards. According to the festival's web site, www.queerfilmfestival.com, Lazin's Equality Forum is the "world's largest annual gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender gathering."

"Hedwig and the Angry Inch," an "anatomically incorrect rock odyssey" based on the off-Broadway musical, will be shown Thursday night. Winner of the Sundance Film Festival's "Audience Award" and "Best Director," the film also won a Grammy award. Following a drag queen from East Berlin touring the United States with her band, it is considered by most critics to be one of the most influential and innovative gay films of the last several years.

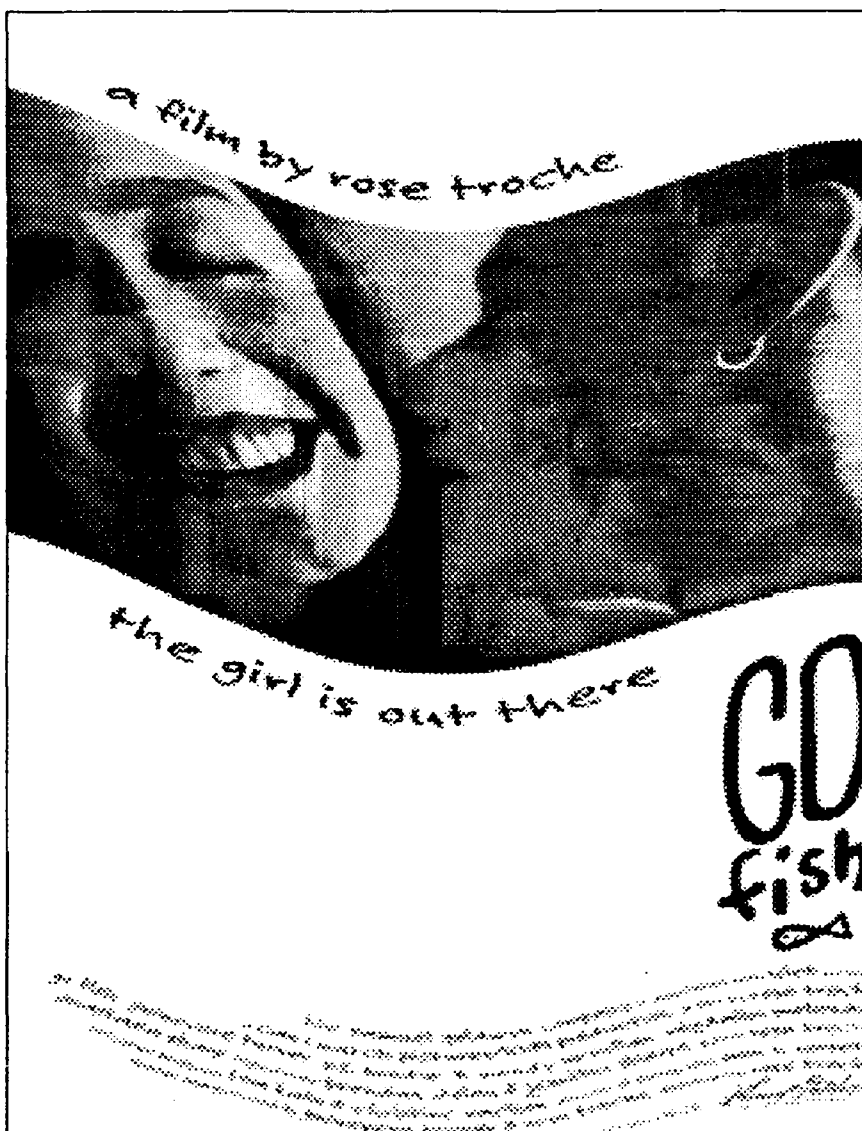


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and speakers hopes to bring more awareness to alternative lifestyles to campus

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Hedwig and the Angry Inch

In what is definitely one of the highlights of the festival, the director and star of "Hedwig," John Cameron Mitchell, will be in attendance to hold a question and answer session following the screening.

The acclaimed 1994 film "Go Fish" will be presented on Friday night. Winner of the "Best Feature Film" award at the Berlin Film Festival and a nominee for the "Grand Jury Prize" at Sundance, the movie is about a beautiful young lesbian's search for love in Chicago.

The romantic comedy "All Over the Guy,"

written and starring Dan Bucatinsky, is being shown Saturday afternoon as a part of the festival. Described on the festival's website as a film about "the quest to find 'the one' when 'the one' doesn't know he's 'the one,'" it is sure to please everyone in the audience.

Afterward, Bucatinsky will answer questions from the audience about both his performance and the writing process he went through before the film was produced.

Closing out the Festival on Saturday night is "The Opposite of Sex," one of the most well-known and acclaimed films of the week and the only one with a very close Notre Dame connection. The director and writer of the film is Don Roos, a graduate of Notre Dame. The film is the winner of "Best Feature Film," "Best Screenplay" and "Best Female Lead" at the Independent Spirit Awards and "Best Actress" in the National Board of Review, Golden Satellite Awards, and Seattle International Film Festival. The film stars Christina Ricci and Lisa Kudrow both won awards and wide critical acclaim for their roles. Ricci plays a teenager who destroys the lives of everyone around her, from her gay brother and his lover to their friend, played by Kudrow. Roos will also be answering questions after the screening.

In addition to the screenings and the question and answer sessions following the films, several special events are planned for the week as a part of the Festival. On Thursday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in DeBartolo 216, Notre Dame graduate and celebrity expert Tom O'Neil, a senior editor of In Touch Weekly magazine, will host a panel discussion entitled "Gay Hollywood: Still in the Closet."

Friday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. screenwriter and director Roos will discuss the screenwriting process in the Eck Visitor

Center Auditorium. In addition to "The Opposite of Sex," Roos has directed the film "Bounce" and written the scripts for "Diabolique, boys on the Side" and "Single White Female."

Ron Gregg of the University of Chicago will discuss the most significant films in the development of gay sexuality with a panel of four GALA-ND/SMC speakers on Friday from 2 to 4 PM in the

Hesburgh Peace Center Auditorium.

Dacey hopes the festival will be "a positive event that everyone can enjoy: students, alumni, and members of the community. We want to spread awareness in a positive way about the reality of gay students on campus."

With one of the most impressive lineups of films and speakers to come to

campus in some time, this first annual event hopes to turn the heads of students and administrators. Dacey and others believe this is the way to change people's minds and people's attitudes about homosexuality, and help to make Notre Dame a place where all lifestyles are welcome.

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QUEER FILM FESTIVAL

Wednesday, Feb. 11

JIM IN BOLD ————— 7 P.M.

Thursday, Feb. 12

HEDWIG AND THE ANGRY INCH 7 P.M.

Friday, Feb. 13

GO FISH ————— 7 P.M.

Saturday, Feb. 14

ALL OVER THE GUY ————— 2 P.M.

THE OPPOSITE OF SEX ————— 7 P.M.

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All Over the Guy

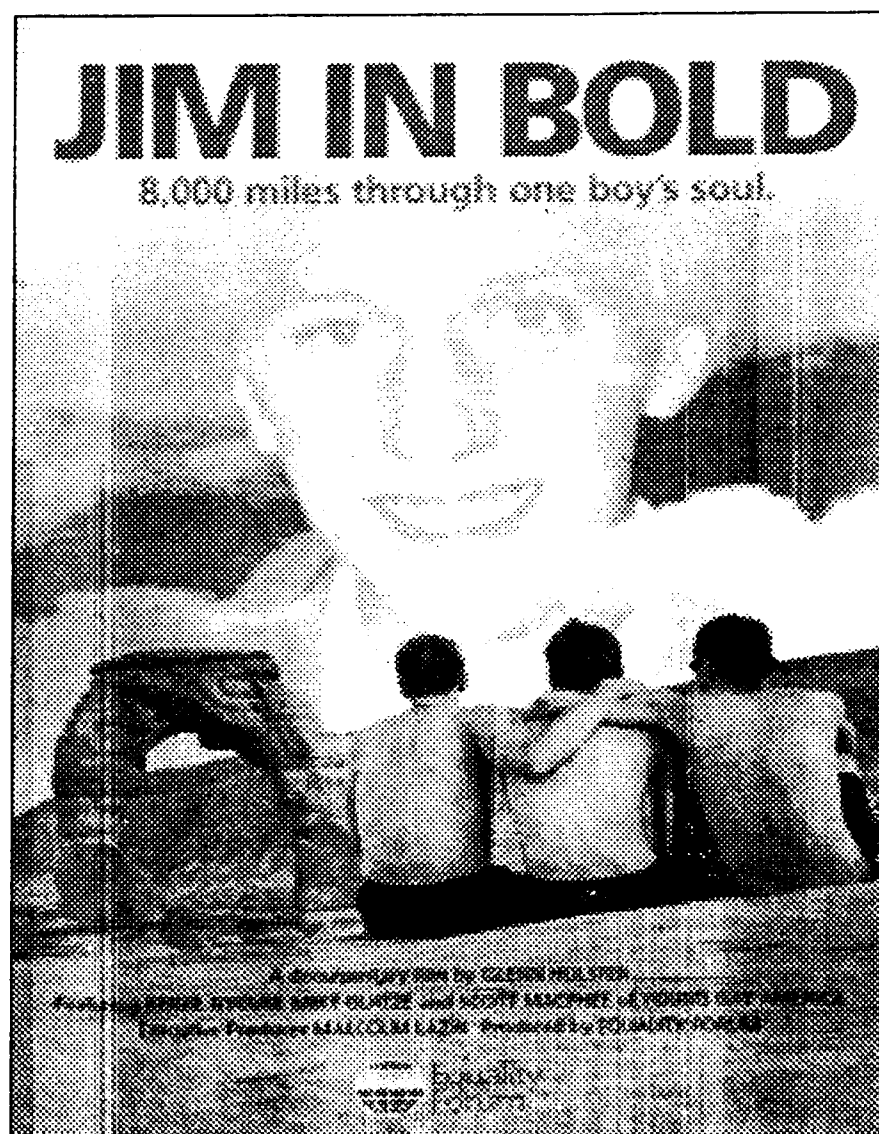


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Jim in Bold

NCAA BASKETBALL

Seton Hall upsets No. 4 Pitt in double overtime

Barrett scores 20 points in leading the Pirates to 6-3 in the Big East

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Andre Barrett made one free throw with 9.6 seconds left in the second overtime to give Seton Hall a 68-67 victory over No. 4 Pittsburgh on Monday night, just the second loss of the season for the Panthers.

Barrett had five of the seven points the Pirates (16-5, 6-3 Big East) scored in the second overtime as they won their fifth of six and improved to 11-1 at home.

The Panthers (22-2, 8-2) had won four straight and four of their last five against Seton Hall.

Pittsburgh and No. 5 Connecticut enter their matchup for first place in

the conference on Sunday coming off a loss. The Huskies, who handed Pitt its other loss, fell 80-74 at Notre Dame earlier Monday.

Pittsburgh and Seton Hall came into the game ranked 1-2 in the Big East in scoring defense and both lived up to that stat, finishing regulation tied at 57.

Barrett had 20 points and six assists for the Pirates, who last beat a team ranked No. 4 in 2000 with a win at Syracuse. Kelly Whitney and J.R. Morris added 10 points each.

Carl Krauser, who picked up his fifth foul on the call that sent Barrett to the line with 9.6 seconds left, had 23 points for Pitt. Freshman Chris Taft had 16 points and 15 rebounds and Chevon Troutman had 10 points and 10 rebounds for the Panthers. Taft had seven offensive rebounds and the Panthers finished with a 46-38 advantage on the boards.

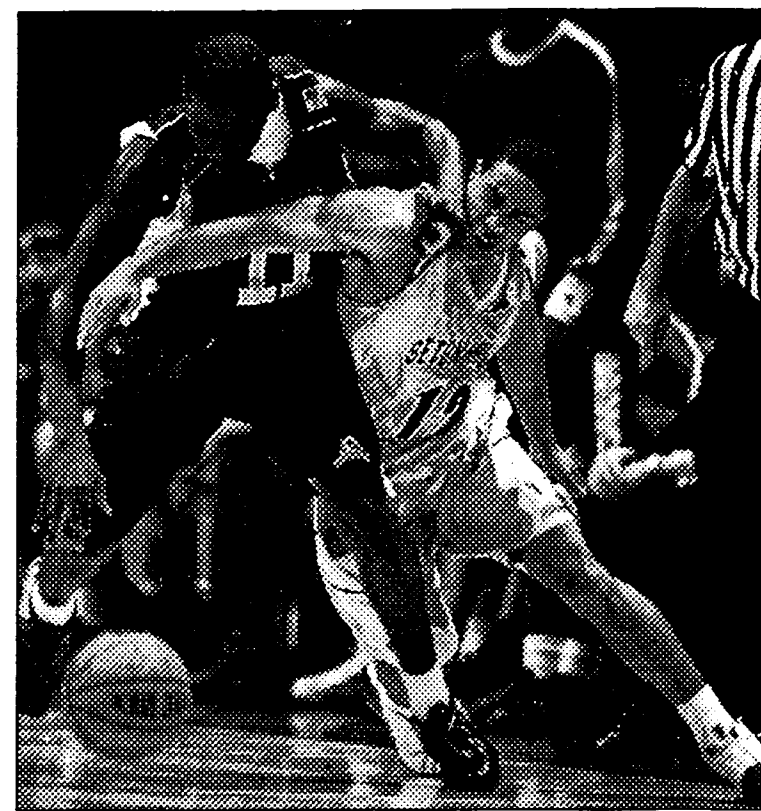
Pitt held Seton Hall to three field

goals over a 13-minute stretch of the second half as it rallied from a 43-35 deficit. Krauser scored the Panthers' last eight points of regulation, including a free throw with 19 seconds left that tied it at 57. Seton Hall didn't get off a shot on the final possession.

Each team scored four points in the first overtime, the last a rebound basket by Taft that tied it at 61 with 3:01 to play.

Taft scored on a rebound with 47 seconds left in the second overtime to tie the game at 67. After a timeout, Barrett drove and the seemed to have the ball knocked away but Krauser was called for the foul. Barrett missed the first free throw but made the second.

Freshman Antonio Graves, who played a total of 3 minutes and came in when Krauser fouled out, got off a runner in the lane just before the final buzzer but it bounced off the rim.



Andre Barrett of the Pirates and Carl Krauser of the Panthers fight for a loose ball.

REC SPORTS

Women's water polo team finishes 2-1 over the weekend

Special to The Observer

With its take on all comers attitude, Notre Dame's ninth ranked women's water polo club opened its season by challenging three other top 10 ranked teams in the country this weekend at the Michigan State Invitational.

The Irish played very well in all three games. Kimmy Moore's two goals were not enough to offset a strong Spartan attack in the opener, as the Irish fell 8-3 to second-ranked MSU in a hard fought game.

In the second game, the Irish hung a 9-6 loss on fifth-ranked Purdue, the Irish first win over the Boilermakers in over a year. Moore was joined by Bridget O'Neill and Kristy Bohling as all three scored a pair of goals. M.C. Cimino and Katie Lanco had great games, as did Brigitte Alge in goal.

The third game was against bitter conference rival and eighth-ranked Miami (Ohio). After jumping out to a 4-0 first quarter lead, the Irish held on for a 7-6 victory. Bohling, Moore, and Allison Gienko scored two goals apiece in the balanced attack. Alge continued to establish herself as one of the best goalies in the country.

Women's ice hockey

Notre Dame's women's ice hockey club dropped a pair of

well-played games against Northern Michigan this weekend, by scores of 4-3 and 5-2. In the opener, Northern Michigan skated to a commanding 4-0 lead after two periods before the Irish struck back. Emmy Venechuk scored on a low, hard shot from the point just four minutes into the final period. Jacky Kehler made an outstanding play on the penalty kill to score just 2:30 later. Tori Blainey scored the third unassisted goal for the Irish with 2:13 remaining on a power play. With time running out the Irish fired a flurry of shots on goal to close the game but were unable to knot the score.

Two games and numerous penalties took its toll on an underhanded squad in the second game. The Irish only had two lines available for the weekend and spent a great deal of energy killing penalties. Northern Michigan had ten power plays in the two games, but was only able to score twice. In the second game, Kehler and Blainey scored a pair of unassisted goals in the first period, but the Irish were unable to keep up the pace the final two periods.

Bowling

Notre Dame's bowling club finished 15th among 17 teams at the Great Heartland Intercollegiate Bowling Conference championships this

weekend. Saginaw Valley State, one of the premier teams in the country, finished first. In normal tournament play, the nine games are bowled over two days. This weekend, the team bowled all nine games in one day.

Steve DePoy finished 12th to lead the Irish with a 188 average and a high-game of 228. Other averages and high games for the Irish were Van Koppersmith, 162 avg. and 222 game; Jason Raver, 159 avg. and 195 game; Dan Martin 151 avg. and 197 game; Jim Talamo, 141 avg. and 169 game; Vance McClenton 140 avg. and 166 game.

Equestrian

The Notre Dame/Saint Mary's equestrian club tied for fourth with Illinois on Saturday and placed third on Sunday in a pair of IHSA shows at Purdue. Purdue and Indiana took first and second each day. On Sunday, Kelsey Ostberg earned Reserve High Point honors for the club as the Irish finished with 27 points, two points behind Indiana and six behind Purdue.

Individual results for Saturday are as follows: open fences, class 1 Claire Freeman 4th and Kelsey Ostberg 5th; class 2 Katie Baron 3rd; intermediate fences, class 3 Andrea Olliverio 2nd; class 4 Chelsea Brown 5th; open flat, class 7 Katie Baron 4th, Molly Kopacz

5th, class 8 Elizabeth Bell 3rd, Julie Burke 5th, class 9 Freeman 4th, Ostberg 6th; intermediate flat class 11 Chelsea Brown 4th; novice flat class 12 Catherine Linn 6th, class 13 Oliverio 1st; advanced walk trot canter class 15 Kristen LaSota 2nd, class 16 Marta Ascadi no placing, class 18 Lauren Croall 5th; beginning walk trot canter class 19 Alexa Garot 2nd; walk trot canter class 21 Ann Trout no placing.

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Gymnastics

The Notre Dame/Saint Mary's gymnastics club's women's squad placed seventh out of eleven teams at the Miami of Ohio Invitational this weekend. Miami (Ohio) and Penn State claimed the top two places. Mary Blazewicz, Caitlin

O'Brien, Cecelia Torres, Kelly Pirozzi, Wendy Syetanoff, Lucianna Ravasio, Maura Steed and Susan Jennings all contributed points to the Irish score, but there were no individual first place finishes.

Skating

A wipe-out fall by star Leigh Hellrung this weekend only cost the women's squad of the Notre Dame ski club a drop to third-place in the slalom. The team needs to perform well next week at regionals because a fall would prove too much to overcome if the club is to advance to a repeat appearance in the Nationals. The club rebounded to capture the giant slalom the next day. Alanna Lungren, Molly Butler, Danielle Clements, and Rita Morgan also finished in scoring for the team.

The men's slalom race on Saturday was the worst team performance the club had experienced in recent memory. Due to spectacular falls by Joe Payne, Jon Pribaz, Brian Hedges, and Leif Eric Petterson in their second runs, the men's team finished a distant last place and got dominated by the Michigan schools. Fortunately there was a bright side to the slalom race: fifth-year senior Mike Ryan finished in third place. This was the best finish by any men's team member since Ryan won a race last season. Regionals will be held next weekend at Marquette, Mich.

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Singh closes in on record after Pebble Beach finish

Associated Press

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Vijay Singh is starting to hear his name associated with some of golf's greatest players.

His victory at the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am was his 12th consecutive finish in the top 10, leaving him two short of the modern-day record set by Jack Nicklaus in 1977.

The streak includes three victories in his last nine starts, allowing him to nudge closer to replacing Tiger Woods at No. 1 in the world ranking, a spot no other player has occupied since 1999.

But what pleased the big Fijian the most was a reference Sunday to Ben Hogan.

Along with winning nine majors, Hogan was known for his endless pursuit of perfection, a man who was at peace on the practice range as he repeated the most envied swing in golf.

In some respects, Singh is cut

from the same cloth.

"I never met the person," Singh said. "I've read every book he wrote, and there's so many stories about him. He never stopped practicing. And not that I follow his footsteps — I don't think I can ever follow his footsteps — it's good to be recognized in the same room with his name."

"There is a guy who worked. He found it in the dirt. That's the way I want to be."

Singh always leaves his signature on the range.

He digs so many balls out of the dirt in marathon sessions hitting balls, that when he finally leaves, his divots form a series of 3-foot trenches. You can easily find where he was long after he's gone.

"There is a lot more satisfaction when you try to find it, and you find it yourself," Singh said.

His practice has taken Singh to heights he never imagined.

Already regarded as a great

player with his two majors, the 1998 PGA Championship and the 2000 Masters, Singh has emerged as the closest anyone has come to Woods in the last five years.

Phil Mickelson has won as many times on the PGA Tour since 1999. Ernie Els has won more around the world.

But the best measure of Woods is his consistency.

That's where Singh is.

It started with a tie for sixth in the NEC Invitational at Firestone the week after the PGA Championship.

He challenged on the back nine the next week at the Deutsche Bank Championship outside Boston, and did it again the following week in Canada after recovering from an opening-round 75.

With a chance to win the PGA Tour money title — a trophy Woods had owned the last four years — Singh won the John Deere Classic, finished two behind Woods at a World Golf



Vijay Singh blasts a ball out of a bunker on the 17th hole in the Pebble Beach National Pro Am last Sunday.

Championship, won at Disney and finished two strokes behind Retief Goosen in Tampa.

The only time he hasn't contended during the streak was at the Tour Championship, where a final-round 68 gave

him a tie for fifth; and the Sony Open, where he tied for 10th. He has good friend Paul Azinger to thank for that — Azinger missed a 4-foot putt on the final hole that would have bumped Singh down to a tie for 11th.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Longhorns regain first in AP poll

Associated Press

Say howdy to the new No. 1 team in women's basketball. After a long absence, the Texas Longhorns and coach Jody Conradt are back on top.

Texas replaced Tennessee at No. 1 in The Associated Press women's basketball poll Monday — the school's 46th appearance as the leader, but its first since the week of Dec. 28, 1987.

"I've been feeling for a while this is a good team," Conradt said. "This is a team that I think deserves some recognition for their hard work and talent."

"I don't get up every day and look at the poll and it doesn't change what we do. It's just something the players and the fans take pride in."

The Longhorns' move kept the revolving door at the top of the poll spinning. It was the third time in six weeks the lead changed hands, an abrupt switch after two-plus seasons of Connecticut hogging the No. 1 spot.

A path to the top opened after Tennessee lost to Connecticut and last week's No. 2 team, Duke, was upset by Florida State.

Texas (21-2), moving up from third, received 29 of the 47 first-place votes from a national media panel and had 1,154 points — 11 more than Connecticut. UConn (18-2), fourth last week, received the remaining 18 first-place votes.

"It's got to be a motivating factor for us," Texas guard Jamie Carey said. "There has been such a high turnover rate at the top this season it's going to be hard to stay there."

Tennessee (19-2), which had been No. 1 for two weeks, dropped to third. Duke (18-3) slipped to fourth.

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Men's College Basketball

AP	Coaches	
1 Duke (43)	Duke (24)	1
2 Stanford (27)	Stanford (6)	2
3 Saint Joseph's (2)	Saint Joseph's (1)	3
4 Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	4
5 Connecticut	Connecticut	5
6 Mississippi State	Mississippi State	6
7 Gonzaga	Gonzaga	7
8 Kentucky	Kentucky	8
9 Louisville	Louisville	9
10 Oklahoma State	Oklahoma State	10
11 Texas	Texas	11
12 Kansas	Cincinnati	12
13 Cincinnati	Kansas	13
14 North Carolina	Wisconsin	14
15 Georgia Tech	Arizona	15
16 Arizona	Georgia Tech	16
17 Wisconsin	North Carolina	17
18 Texas Tech	Wake Forest	18
19 Utah State	Texas Tech	19
20 Wake Forest	Florida	20
21 North Carolina State	Providence	21
22 Florida	South Carolina	22
23 Southern Illinois	Utah State	23
24 Providence	Southern Illinois	24
25 South Carolina	Syracuse	25

Women's College Basketball

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4 Connecticut	Texas	4
5 Penn State	Purdue	5
6 Purdue	Penn State	6
7 Stanford	Stanford	7
8 Louisiana Tech	Louisiana Tech	8
9 Texas Tech	Texas Tech	9
10 Kansas State	Colorado	10
11 Colorado	Kansas State	11
12 North Carolina	Minnesota	12
13 Minnesota	North Carolina	13
14 LSU	Georgia	14
15 DePaul	DePaul	15
16 Georgia	LSU	16
17 Baylor	Baylor	17
18 TCU	Michigan State	18
19 Auburn	TCU	19
20 Michigan State	Miami	20
21 Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	21
22 Miami	Autumn	22
23 NOTRE DAME	Houston	23
24 Florida	Oklahoma	24
25 SMS	Boston College	25

Men's Big East Basketball

team	league	overall
1 Pittsburgh	8-2	22-4
2 Connecticut	7-2	19-4
3 Seton Hall	6-3	16-5
4 Providence	6-3	15-5
5 Villanova	5-3	13-6
6 Rutgers	5-5	13-7
7 NOTRE DAME	5-5	11-9
8 Syracuse	4-4	14-5
9 Georgetown	4-5	13-6
10 Boston College	4-5	14-7
11 West Virginia	4-5	12-8
12 Miami	3-6	13-10
13 Virginia Tech	2-6	9-10
14 St. John's	0-9	5-15

NCAA FOOTBALL



Larry Fitzgerald runs off the field following the Continental Tire Bowl, his last game in a Pittsburgh Panther uniform. Fitzgerald will forego his final two years at Pittsburgh to enter the NFL draft.

Sophomore Fitzgerald to enter NFL draft

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Heisman Trophy runner-up Larry Fitzgerald will enter the NFL draft and not return to Pittsburgh for his junior year.

The star receiver made the announcement Monday, four days after he was declared eligible by the NFL for the draft. He is expected to be among the first picks in the draft.

Fitzgerald left the Academy of Holy Angels in Richfield, Minn., midway through his senior year in 2001 and transferred to Valley Forge (Pa.) Military Academy to boost his grades for college.

The NFL cleared the way for Fitzgerald to enter the April draft because he is three years past his senior year of high school.

The league's decision on Fitzgerald came on the same day a federal judge ruled running back Maurice Clarett could also turn pro despite playing only one season at Ohio State.

In that ruling last Thursday, the judge said NFL rules regarding its draft violate federal antitrust laws. The ruling overturned the league's rule barring players from being eligible for the draft before they were out of

high school for three years.

The 20-year-old Fitzgerald was a dominating receiver for the Panthers last season. He finished a close second to Oklahoma quarterback Jason White in voting for the Heisman Trophy, nearly becoming the first sophomore to win the award.

He was the most proficient receiver in Pittsburgh history with an NCAA-record 34 touchdown catches in his freshman and sophomore years.

Fitzgerald also holds the NCAA record for touchdown receptions in 18 consecutive games.

In 2003, Fitzgerald caught 87 passes and led all NCAA receivers with 1,595 yards. He had 22 touchdown catches, at least one in each of Pitt's regular season games.

He played in all 13 games as a freshman and became a starter in his third game. In 2002, he had 69 receptions for 1,005 yards, easily surpassing Antonio Bryant, who caught 51 passes for 844 yards as a freshman in 1999.

He also broke a 22-year-old record with 12 touchdown catches, beating Dwight Collins' record of 10 TD catches in 1980.

IN BRIEF

Panthers hire third head coach this season

MIAMI — Rick Dudley left his job as the Florida Panthers' coach Monday to focus on his duties as general manager. Assistant coach John Torchetti will coach the team the rest of the season.

Dudley timed the move so he could attend this week's meetings of NHL general managers in Las Vegas. Torchetti will make his debut as an NHL head coach Tuesday at home against Montreal.

Torchetti becomes the Panthers' third coach this season and their fifth since 2000. He most likely will return next season if the team plays well in its final 27 games, Dudley said.

At 38, Torchetti becomes the league's third-youngest coach.

Florida went 5-8-2 in their first 13 games this season under Mike Keenan before he was fired Nov. 9. The Panthers went 13-15-9-3 under

Dudley, who said he accomplished his goal as their coach.

"I felt they needed an avuncular type who patted them on the back and told them they were all right," he said. "They enjoy coming to the rink. They enjoy playing. They're a team that really, really wants to win."

Adu, 14, joins D.C. United

BRADENTON, Fla. — Freddy Adu sat on a golf cart, fiddling with his cell phone, and waiting for the start of his first professional practice.

"You'd think they would have called me," the 14-year-old soccer phenom joked Monday.

Adu's first official day on the job for D.C. United began with nearly an hour wait for his teammates. It ended with his first pick in last month's MLS draft pulling a water cooler away from the 75-minute workout.

The 5-foot-8, 140-pound forward walked to the workout at IMG

Academy, where he's been living for the past two years while attending school and training with the U.S. under-17 national team. He waited patiently for the rest of the United to arrive in three large vans after flying into Florida.

Coach Peter Nowak and assistant Tommy Soehn were the first to greet Adu, who signed a six-year contract that will pay him about \$500,000 annually. They met in the middle of the field, where Adu was alone, stretching and listening to music.

Practice was scheduled to begin at 4 p.m., but was pushed back an hour to give the players an opportunity to settle into condominiums that will house them during a two-week stay.

Adu, who will graduate from high school next month, will become the youngest player in MLS history if he gets on the field this season. He immigrated to the United States from Ghana in 1997 and became a U.S. citizen last February.

around the dial

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

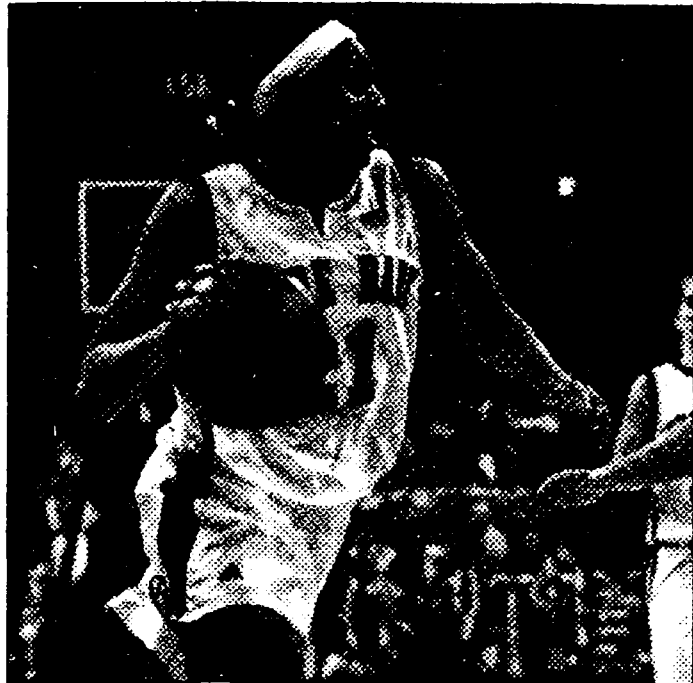
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Purdue at Iowa 8 p.m., FOX Sports Net

NBA

Detroit at New Jersey 7:30 p.m., TNT
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HILLARY THORNTON/The Observer
Jacqueline Batteast drives Feb. 4 against Georgetown.

Scoring

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team has struggled to a 3-8 road record and hasn't had consistent offensive production.

McGraw said the team will work on offense during the two practices before the Providence game.

"We're really having trouble scoring," McGraw said. "We're holding the ball. No one is playing well in terms of scoring."

Notre Dame averaged only 64.8 points heading into its games against Georgetown and Seton Hall last week. The Irish scored 66 and 45 points in those games, respectively.

The toughest part of Notre Dame's schedule is now behind them, after

facing Virginia Tech, Connecticut, Miami, Villanova and Boston College in a month. The Irish play no ranked opponents the rest of the season. Notre Dame faces three teams with losing records in their last five games.

However, McGraw said no matter who the competition is, her team must improve on the road.

"We didn't handle Seton Hall," McGraw said. "I'm concerned about us on the road. We're trying to get everybody's 'A' game, every night."

Sunday was a typical road game for the Irish. Despite playing excellent defense in the first half and holding the Pirates to just 17 points, the

team couldn't find any offensive rhythm and lost by six. No Notre Dame player scored in double figures for the game.

"We're playing well defensively, so we are in every game but we need to play equally as well on both ends," McGraw said.

After beginning the season with a difficult schedule, the Irish are looking to end the season strong and make a push for a higher seed in the Big East and NCAA Tournament. Notre Dame hosts the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament at the Joyce Center.

"We didn't handle Seton Hall."

Muffet McGraw
Irish coach

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Manship

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four months without throwing a baseball.

When Manship threw again, he said his arm felt fine. But two weeks ago when he took the mound against live batters, Manship said his arm tightened up again. After an MRI, doctors determined that he would need the surgery.

Tommy John surgery has occurred more frequently with professional and collegiate pitchers in the last several years. The surgery involves removing a tendon from another part of the body and attaching it to the elbow to function as a ligament. The recovery time is usually one year and, according to Mainieri, the player can even come back stronger and healthier than before the surgery.

"There's no question in my mind Jeff has the mental toughness and the desire, and he will do everything he can do to get himself back to being healthy and strong," Mainieri said.

Manship is a two-time high school All-American, who went 22-2 with a 0.65 earned run average in his final two seasons. He had almost an 8-to-1 strikeout to walk ratio and allowed just 2.2 walks per nine-innings in 2002 and 2003.

The Irish are now without two of their top pitchers. Manship joins Axford on the injured list and both pitchers were expected to see significant innings this season — likely in the starting rotation.

Mainieri said he needs his other pitchers to improve their game to help Notre Dame have success this season.

"With Jeff and John Axford now both out, other kids are getting a chance to step up and they need to take advantage of it," Mainieri said.

Manship has never seen this many players on one team need "Tommy John" surgery in such a short period of time. He said the Irish staff continues to monitor players and does not push players over any limitations they may have during practice or a game.

"There's not a school in the country that takes better care of their pitchers or shows more concern for the health of their pitchers," Mainieri said. "They don't ever pitch on short rest and we do everything we can do to ensure their health. So when these things happen it's so frustrating and discouraging because we know we're doing everything we can in our kids' best interest."

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Victory

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seven first-half minutes due to back spasms, Notre Dame guard Chris Thomas put the Irish on his back and scored 31 points, highlighted by 6-of-10 shooting from 3-point range.

To cap the night off for Thomas, he broke David Rivers' career assist record by feeding Chris Quinn on a jumper with 9:37 remaining in the first half.

"If it was going to happen, it just so happened tonight was the night," Thomas said. "It's a special night not only for myself, but for the team, for the program, for the guys in here who have worked so hard."

Knowing the Huskies would try to rush the tempo of the game, the Irish came in with a game plan to slow down the contest and not let the Huskies score in transition. The Irish were successful, as each team only scored five transition points.

"I think what we did a good job is that they didn't hurt us in transition," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "When they

get running, and they ran on us last year early, we never get in any rhythm running. We did a very good job getting back."

Besides Thomas, the Irish offense was led by Quinn's 17 points and Torrian Jones, who had 14 points and a game-high 12 rebounds.

The big moment on the night came after Connecticut tied the game at 69 with 3:06 remaining.

A 3-pointer from Thomas sent the Irish on a 9-0 run and put the finishing touches on Notre Dame's best game of the season.

"That's where I thought we took a big step," Brey said. "I kept talking to them in the huddle and told them I didn't want to see any weak body language. We just had to keep fighting."

On a night playing against one of the top teams in the country, the Irish didn't play a perfect basketball game to pull the upset. Connecticut shot better from the field, got more rebounds and dominated inside the paint.

But the Irish played an intense and focused 40 minutes for the first time this season and earned their first big win on

the season.

"We did what we needed to do to win," Notre Dame forward Jordan Cornette said. "That's what great teams do."

NOTRE DAME 80, CONNECTICUT 74 at the JOYCE CENTER

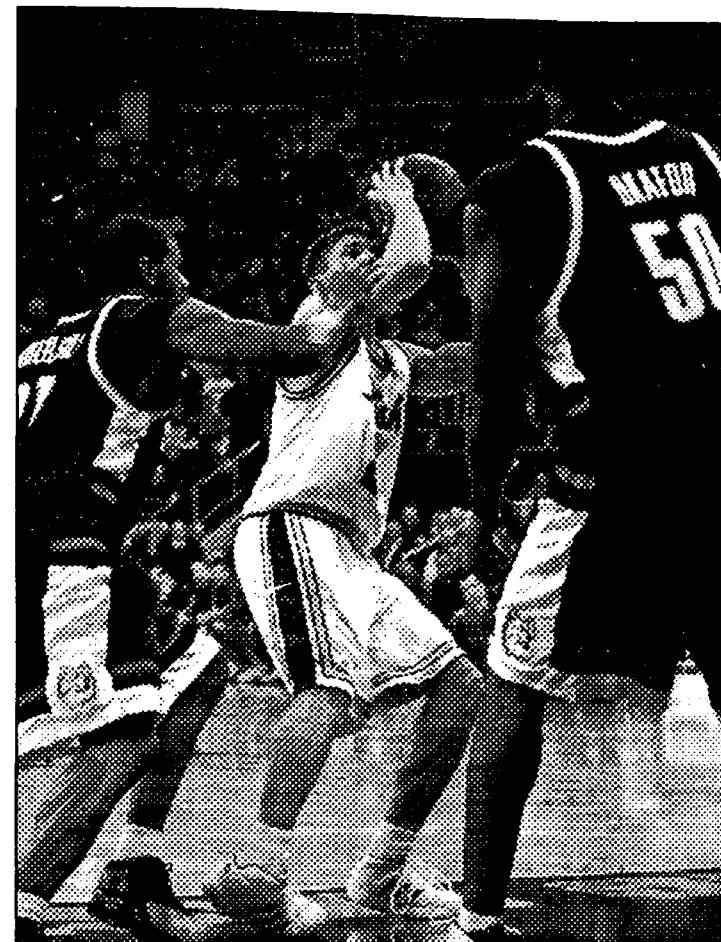
NOTRE DAME (11-9, 5-5)
Cornette 2-5, 0-0, 6, Francis 0-3, 0-0, 0, Thomas 9-21, 7-8, 31, Quinn 5-11, 5-8, 17, Jones 5-11, 4-7, 14, Cornett 2-7, 2-4, 6, Falls 0-2, 0-0, 0, Timmermans 2-4, 2-2, 6

CONNECTICUT (19-4, 7-2)
Villanueva 4-12, 1-2, 9, Brown D. 1-7, 1-2, 3, Okafor, 10-17, 4-4, 24, Gordon 8-16, 2-2, 22, Brown T. 2-7, 0-0, 4, Armstrong 0-0, 0-0, 0, Boone 2-5, 0-0, 4, Tooles 0-0, 0-0, 0, Anderson 3-7, 0-0, 8

	1st	2nd	Total
NOTRE DAME	35	45	80
Connecticut	38	36	74

3-point goals: Notre Dame 10-20 (Thomas 6, Quinn 2, Cornette 2), Connecticut 6-16 (Gordon 4, Anderson 2), Rebounds: Notre Dame 39 (Jones 12), Connecticut 44 (Okafor, Villanueva 9), Assists: Notre Dame 11 (Thomas 5), Connecticut 20 (T. Brown 9), Total fouls: Notre Dame 11, Connecticut 23

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Notre Dame guard Chris Quinn rolls his right ankle in the second half Monday night.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Quinn leaves with ankle injury, returns

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Mike Brey was talking to his Notre Dame players during a TV timeout, but he knew nobody was listening to him.

Instead, Brey saw the eyes of Chris Thomas and Torrian Jones looking past him at Chris Quinn who lay on the Joyce Center court grabbing his leg.

A little under six minutes into the second half, Quinn drove into the lane, fired up an off-balance jumper, and landed awkwardly on the same ankle he injured during a loss at Rutgers a week and a half ago.

"It was really hurting at the beginning," Quinn said. "I didn't hear anything pop, but it was really hurting."

Notre Dame played without him for exactly two more minutes, until the next media timeout was called with 11:53 in the game. Suddenly, Quinn jogged out of the Irish tunnel across the court to a deafening roar from the crowd, taking his spot on the Irish bench with a grin on his face.

"I've never had anything happen like that before," he smiled after the game. "It was crazy."

Although he returned to the game around the halfway point of the second half, Quinn didn't score. He finished with 17 points on 5-of-11 shooting.

Back injury limits Francis

Torin Francis, who left Saturday's game against

Pittsburgh midway through the first half with back spasms, started but couldn't finish Notre Dame's win against Connecticut Wednesday with the same injury.

But the Irish weren't expecting much out of the sophomore, who didn't practice Sunday.

"We prepared yesterday like Torin wasn't going to be here," Brey said. "At 8 a.m., no way, at 3 p.m., maybe, [and] I said warm up and tell me if you can go. If you can go, we'll start you. And he gave it a try, but he's not ready. We need to get him some rest."

Francis was adamant that he would be ready to play Saturday against Seton Hall, but he also said that he would probably not practice for the next few days in order to get better.

Graves returns to South Bend

Former Notre Dame guard David Graves, who graduated in 2002, attended Notre Dame's win Monday night.

Notre Dame's 80-74 victory against Connecticut Monday summoned images of Graves' sophomore year, when the Irish beat the No. 2 Huskies in Hartford. Notre Dame then knocked off Connecticut again a month later in South Bend, touching off a court-rushing scene similar to the bedlam that ensued after the fans rushed the court Monday.

"This brings back good memories," Graves smiled.

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head coach for the calm way he directed Notre Dame's thrilling 80-74 upset of No. 5 Connecticut.

"When Thomas' demeanor is like it was tonight, we can play with anybody," Brey said. "But he struggled a little bit, he hadn't shot well. If he doubts, we kind of doubt a little bit.

"As a matter of fact, if he doubts, I doubt. Because he's very important to us."

There was no doubting Thomas — or the rest of the Irish — Monday night as they played arguably their best game of the season. For a Notre Dame team that had come so close, yet never beaten, top-ranked teams, Monday's efforts showcased a team sick of losing and a player sick of being criticized.

"This past summer has made me more patient and play with a lot more poise," said Thomas, who helped the Irish commit zero — yes, zero — turnovers in the second half. "It took me 20 games to show it, but at least I'm showing it now."

Those who claim Notre Dame would be better without Thomas than with him are sadly mistaken. When Thomas struggles, as he has most of the season, Notre Dame struggles as well. But when Thomas is on fire, as he was against the Huskies, Notre Dame can compete with and beat virtually every team it plays.

"Chris is capable of 30 every night," Huskies coach Jim Calhoun shrugged after the game.

He's also capable of struggling, as Notre Dame fans have seen all too well. Before Monday's 31-

point, 60-percent-from-3-point-range effort, Thomas was only shooting a meager 30 percent from behind the arc.

He could have blamed his bum knee, but he didn't. He could have lashed out at the fans who booed him in Notre Dame's win against Miami two weeks ago, but he didn't.

He went to the gym, worked on his shot, and rallied the Irish when they needed it most.

"We've been hearing that Chris Quinn and I can never play good together on the same night," Thomas said. "We figured this was our last stand, and we couldn't take it any more."

Notre Dame entered Monday's game believing Francis wasn't going to play, something Brey thought made the rest of the Irish focus more. But they couldn't have expected Chris Quinn to tumble to the Joyce Center in pain midway through the second half.

But as hard as Thomas and Torrian Jones watched Quinn writhe in pain on the floor, they refused to back down.

Want examples of Notre Dame's composure? There are many.

In the first half, Emeka Okafor swatted Rick Cornett's shot against the backboard and earned a buzz of boos from fans who thought it was goaltending. On the sideline, Brey looked as if a vein in his head was about to burst as he angrily danced in front of Notre Dame's bench.

But in a strange ironic twist — and Monday night was filled with them — the coach who preached composure all year lost his while the players on the floor rallied.

Even as the crowd jeered, Jones stole the ball and threw it back to Thomas at midcourt. The crowd was still booing the missed call

when Thomas drove into the lane and passed to Quinn, who nailed a 3-pointer to draw the Irish to 28-27.

"That just showed right there us growing up and maturing," Jones said. "Earlier, we'd be whining at the refs and complaining about the call instead attacking after the ball. Tonight we did what we have to do, we hit every big play, got every loose ball, did everything we have to do to get the 'W'."

Like when Notre Dame got a defensive stop, passed to Thomas, who simply stood and let the other nine players on the court sprint up in transition. Or when the Irish answered Connecticut down the stretch shot for shot.

This was the Notre Dame team Irish players had been trying to convince reporters existed during a stretch when the Irish had lost six of their last eight. This was a Notre Dame team that exuded the confident attitude of the top-ranked team it was supposed to be all season long.

Fans who left the Joyce Center scratching their heads had to be wondering two things. First, why did this team pick tonight to show up? And second, where was this team all season long?

"If I could pick any part of my life, it feels like I'm hitting puberty



Chris Thomas is congratulated as he walks off the court after Monday night's win against No. 5 Connecticut.

right now," Jones said. "You understand what you have to do and what is important in the game. If we start building on tonight's points of emphasis, we'll be ready right now."

Jones may be the team's most vocal player; Quinn may be the team's most efficient. Francis might be Notre Dame's best big man, Cornette may be the team's most versatile and Timmerman's

might be the team's toughest.

But as Brey said of Thomas after the game, "He is our program."

And after Monday, nobody doubted either of them.

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MEN'S GOLF

Irish in fifth place at opening tournament

By ANNIE BRUSKY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's golf team heads into today's final round of the Rice Intercollegiate in fifth place — and only 13 strokes behind the leader — after a strong performance by the team in yesterday's afternoon round.

After shooting the best team score of the tournament, a one-over par 289, in the second round yesterday, the Irish sit

with a 597 team score after 36 holes at the par-72 Blackhorse North Golf Club in Cypress, Texas

Freshman Cole Isban leads the way in sixth place, with 145.

Sophomore Tommy Balderston is tied for 11th place after shining in the second round and tying his career low with a four-under 68, the best individual score of the tournament.

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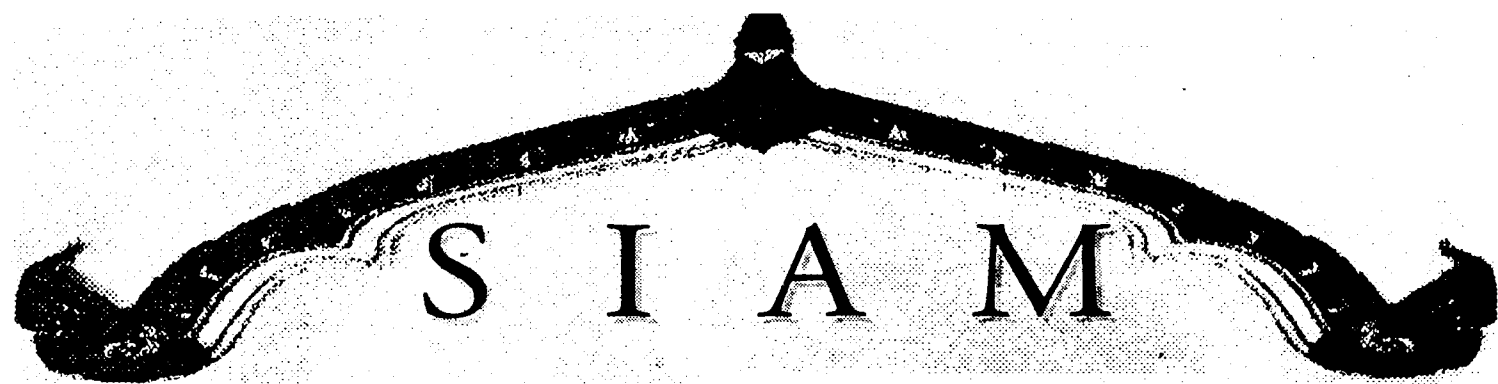
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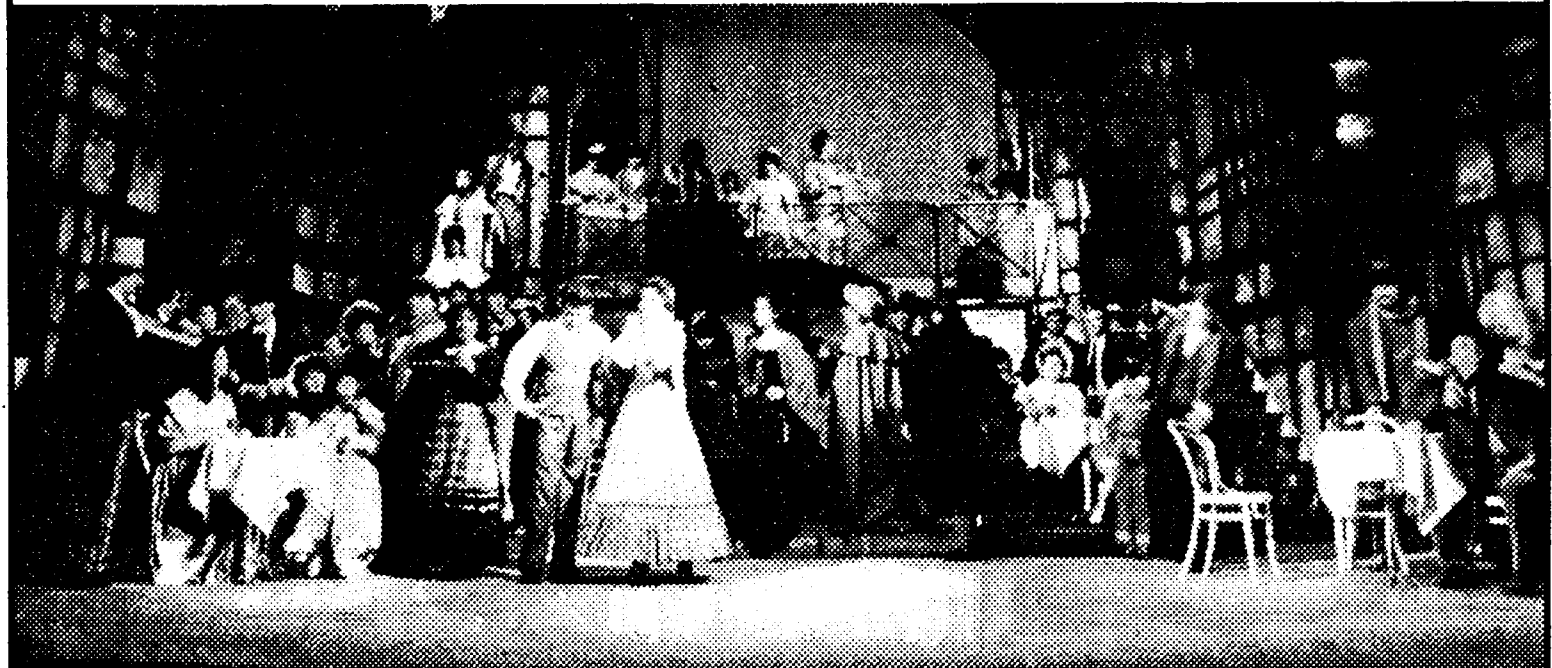
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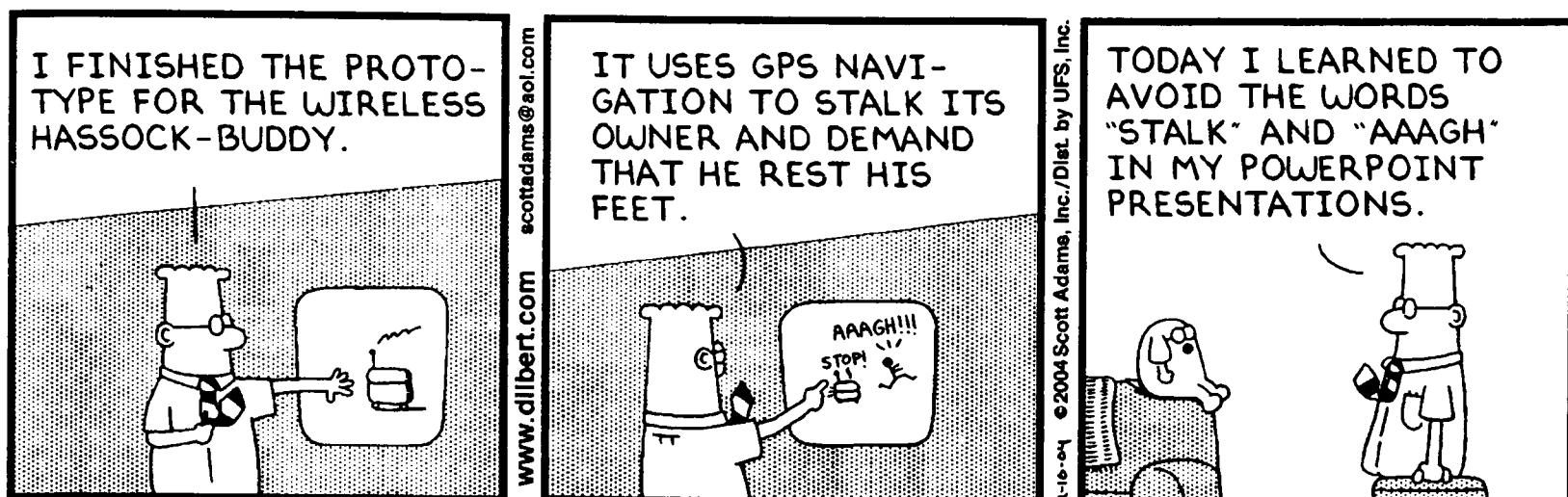
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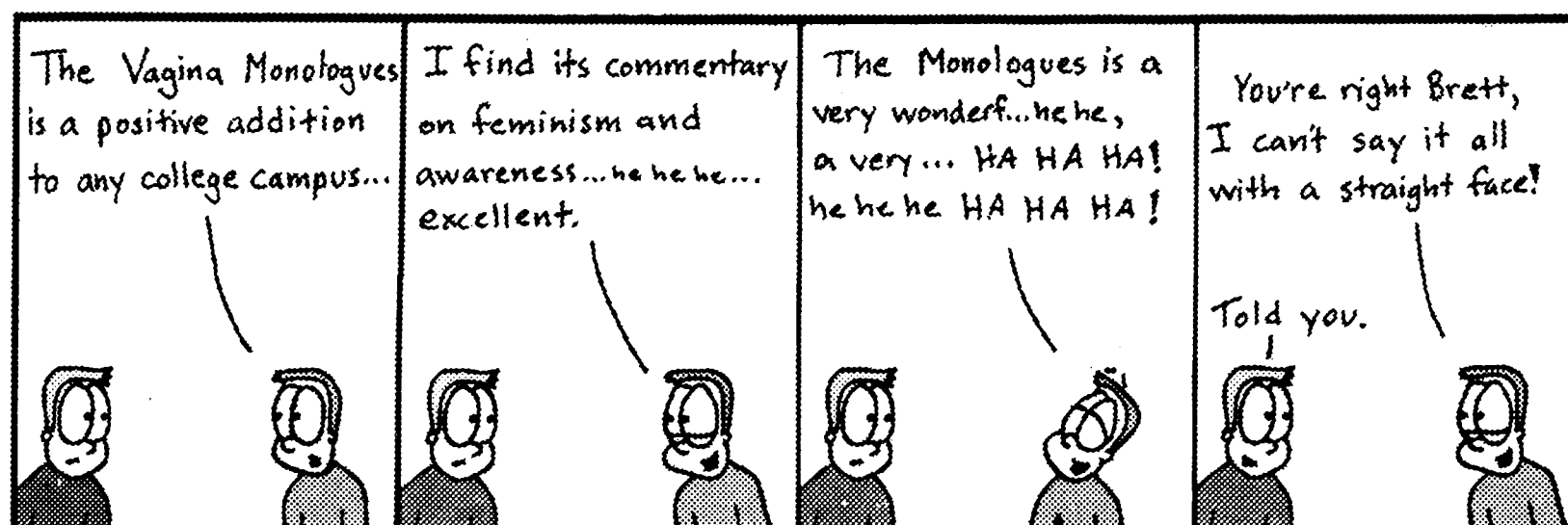
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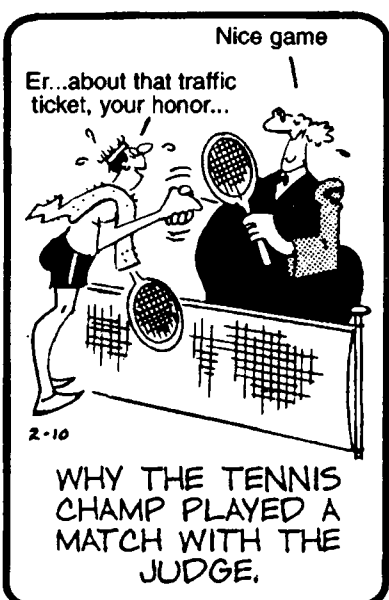
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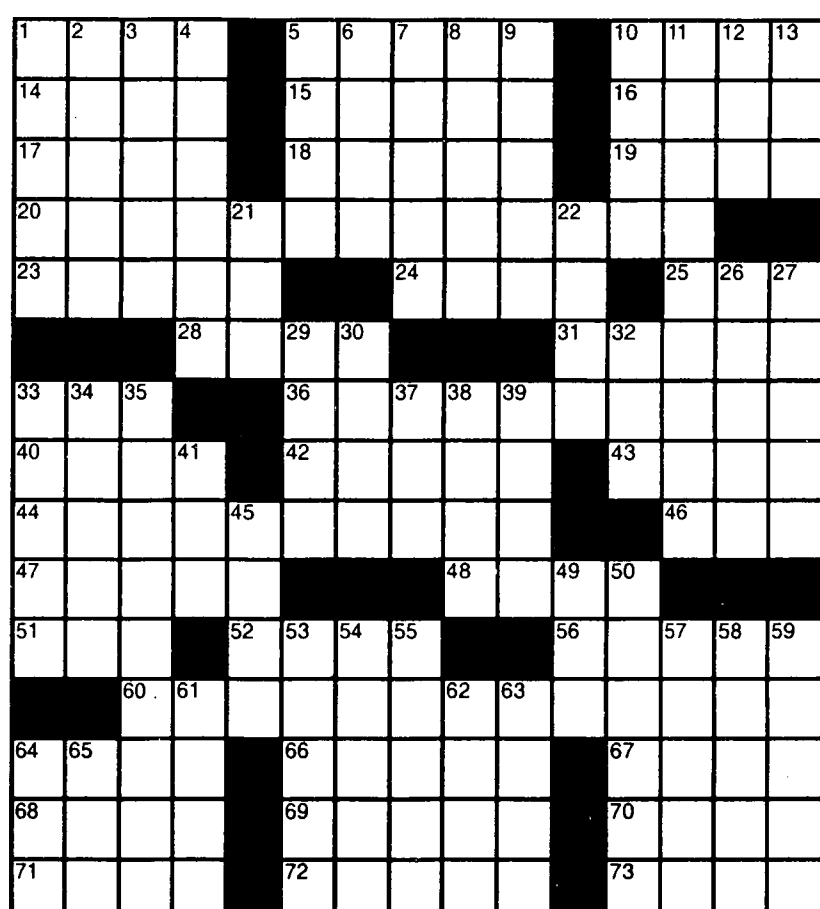
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Happy Birthday: This will be a great year if you exercise extra discipline. This is the time to focus on your true desires and to push yourself to achieve the goals that have been out of reach for so long. It is your turn to stand up and be counted and to let others know that you mean business. Speak your mind, follow your dreams, and you won't be disappointed. Your numbers: 5, 8, 13, 17, 23, 41

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You can gain the most through business engagements or conversations concerning work. Push your ideas past important people. Your practical approach will pay off. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your efforts have not gone unnoticed. Family outings will bring you closer together. You can make a big difference to kids if you spend time helping them with their goals. ****

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Travel and entertainment will go hand in hand. New romantic encounters will be stimulating. Fund-raising events will lead to interesting connections. ****

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

No doubting Thomas

31-point effort leads to 80-74 upset of No. 5 Connecticut

By MATT LOZAR
Associate Sports Editor

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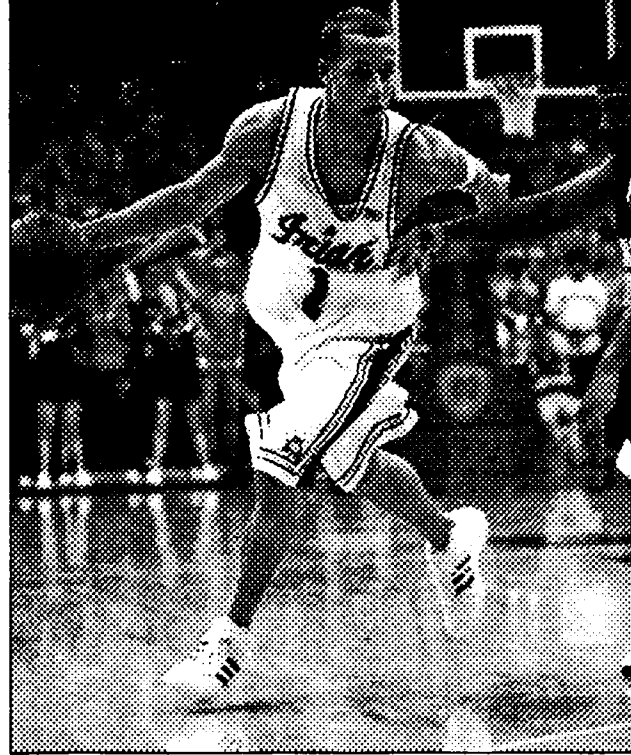
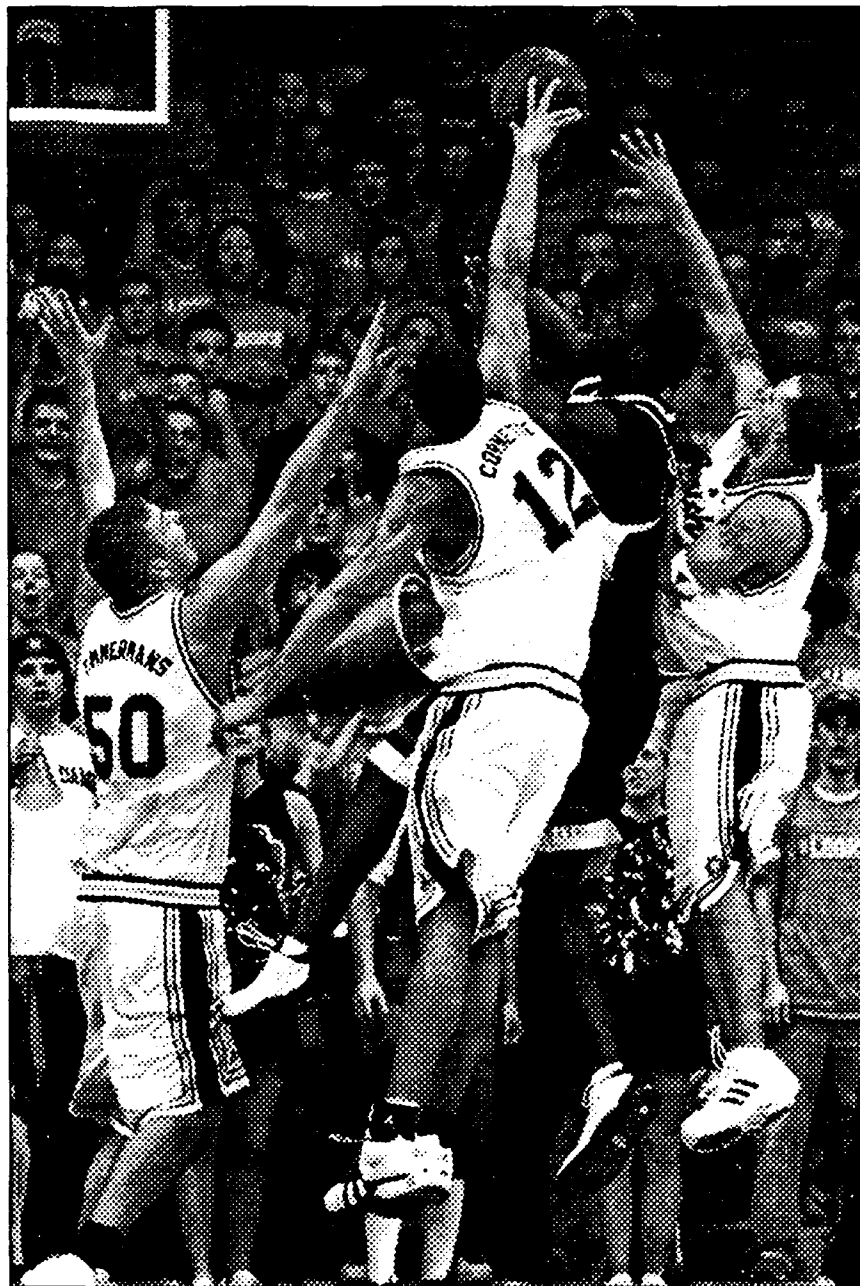
Exactly 365 days after No. 4 Pittsburgh fell 66-64 and the students rushed the Joyce Center court, Notre Dame (11-9, 5-5 in the Big East) defeated No. 5 Connecticut 80-74 last night and its players was mobbed by the student body once again.

The win was Notre Dame's first on national television and against a ranked opponent this season. Connecticut (19-4, 7-2) lost for the first time in five games and for the first time this year after leading at halftime.

"Not many people gave us a chance, but the 13 guys in this locker room believe we can play with anybody," Notre Dame guard Chris Quinn said.

With Notre Dame forward Torin Francis only able to play

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Chris Thomas, above, looks to drive. At left, a trio of Irish players defend Emeka Okafor.

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Junior guard shows composure all night

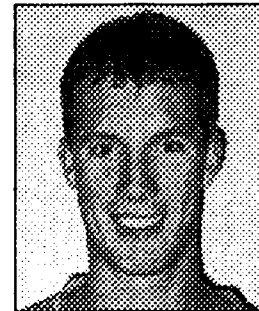
There were no boos for Chris Thomas Monday night.

Just polite applause when the public address announcer told the Joyce Center crowd Thomas had broken the school record for career assists mid-way through his third year of college basketball.

Just gasps of dismay followed by yells of disbelief when Thomas buried basket with the shot clock winding down.

Just a deafening roar when the junior guard left his hand hanging in the air nanoseconds after he hit a 3-pointer from the right wing to break a 69-69 tie.

But most telling of all, Thomas just received quiet praise from his



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Sports Writer

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BASEBALL

Manship will miss entire 2004 season

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame freshman pitcher Jeff Manship is rated as the third highest freshman prospect in the nation. Unfortunately for the Irish, they won't see his abilities until the 2005 season.

Manship will undergo "Tommy John" surgery — an operation to repair the elbow — Feb. 11 and miss the entire 2004 baseball season. Notre Dame coach Paul Mainieri said Manship is expected to make a full recovery.

"This is a big blow to us," Mainieri said. "We felt really good about Jeff Manship joining our program and felt that he was going to step in as a freshman and be one of the top pitchers in our program. Anybody you talk around the country that's seen him pitch knows what he is capable of doing, and he'll do it, it's just not going to be this year."

Manship is the fourth Notre Dame player, and third pitcher, since April 2002 to require the season-ending operation. Shortstop Matt Macri and pitchers Grant Johnson and John Axford have all had the same injury.

While playing summer ball with the U.S. Junior National Team, Manship threw 130 pitches in a seven-inning game. He then threw four days later, but had to leave that game in the fourth inning with soreness in his elbow.

"It just tightened up on me. It didn't feel right at all," Manship said. "I knew something was wrong."

Manship did not pitch again until coming to Notre Dame in the fall — one month later. He then began throwing with the Irish, but felt pain again once he threw from the mound. Mainieri and the Notre Dame coaching staff decided to shut Manship down and he went

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Weary Irish relish week-long break

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

With the tank nearly empty, the Irish finally get a break.

After playing at least one midweek game since Dec. 29, Notre Dame has the week off before facing Providence Saturday at the Joyce Center.

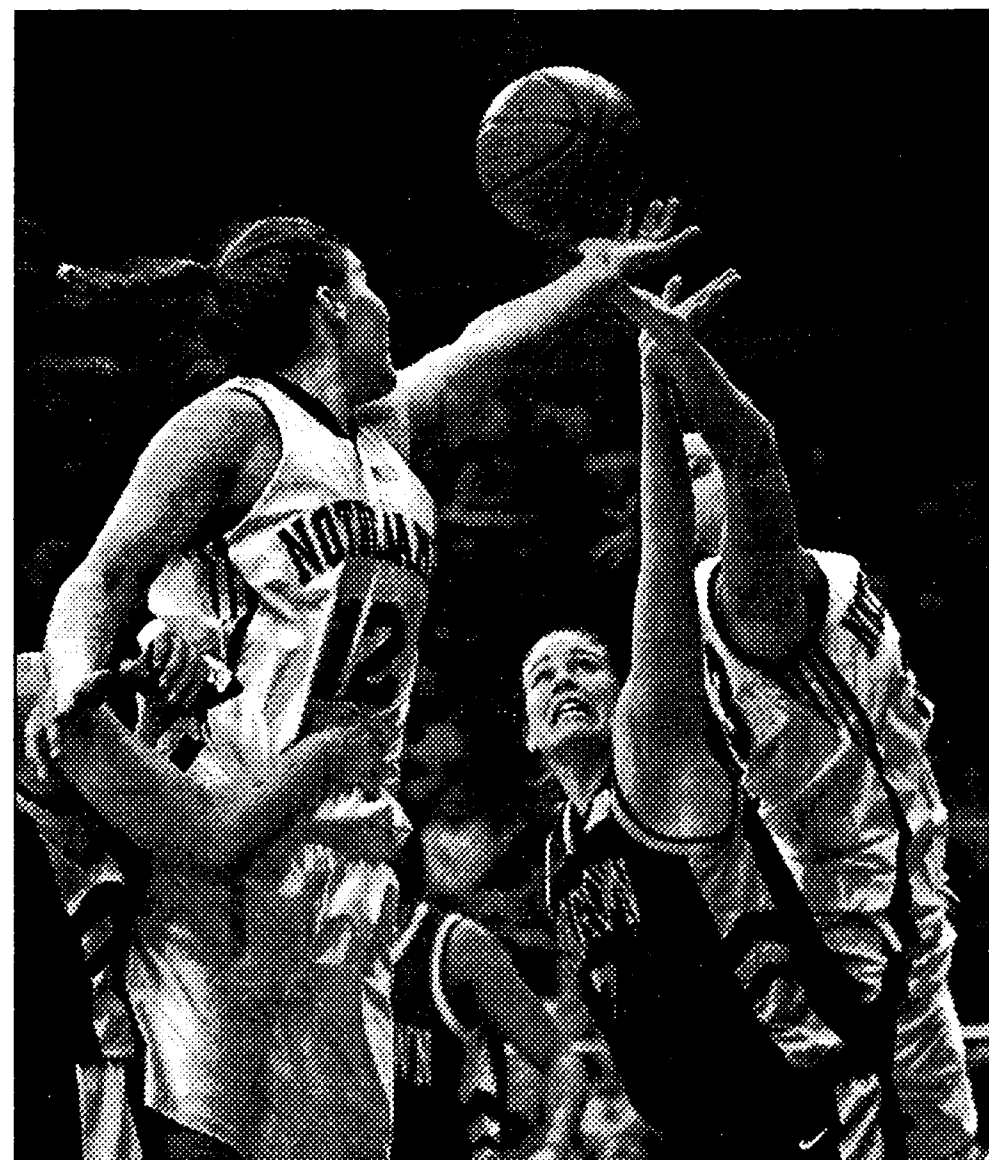
"It's a great thing," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "We've been going since Christmas break and this [break] couldn't have come at a better time. We really need it. It could really rejuvenate us."

The team will not practice until Thursday.

The Irish (14-8, 6-3) are coming off a 51-45 loss at Seton Hall Sunday. The defeat dropped the team to third in the Big East, two games behind Connecticut for the conference lead.

Notre Dame has beaten five straight ranked teams, is 10-0 at home this season and has used outstanding defense to shut opponents down. But the

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HILLARY THORNTON/The Observer
Teresa Borton and Katy Flecky battle for a rebound Feb. 4 against Georgetown.

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Seton Hall upsets No. 4 Pittsburgh to give the Panthers its second loss of the season.

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