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## CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

### Student Affairs refuses to endorse play



Dillon rector Father Paul Doyle voted against the resolution to endorse The Vagina Monologues.

#### Topic sparks question of CLC influence

By MADDIE HANNA  
Assistant News Editor

Backlash from The Vagina Monologues dominated discussion at the Campus Life Council meeting Monday, a topic that sparked questions about the group's overall ability to make an impact on campus.

In response to the resolution passed in support of V-Day and The Vagina Monologues at the Feb. 14 CLC meeting, Father Mark

Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, sent a letter to the committee stating the Office of Student Affairs did not endorse the proclamation or "the activities of an unrecognized student group."

While Poorman said in the letter that "the University embraces the larger goals of the V-Day campaign and calls every member of this community to participate in making our campus a 'rape- and violence-free zone,'" he also said The

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### Duerson lawyer extends court date

Former captain will face charges April 28

By CLAIRE HEININGER  
and HEATHER VAN  
HOEGARDEN  
News Writers

Former Notre Dame football captain and two-time All-American Dave Duerson deferred his court appearance on Monday for misdemeanor assault charges until April 28.

Michael Tuszynski of the South Bend firm William P. Stanley & Associates appeared in St. Joseph County Superior Court Monday morning to file as Duerson's private counsel, St. Joseph County deputy prosecutor Sean Schill said.

Schill, who represented the prosecutor's office for the initial arraignment, said a separate defense attorney also tried to become involved in the case Monday but ultimately did not file on Duerson's behalf. Schill declined to give further details about the attempt or the name of the second attorney.

"There was a bit of confusion," Schill said.

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## White House: Bush to stop at ND

### President's stop is not University-sponsored

By MADDIE HANNA  
Assistant News Editor

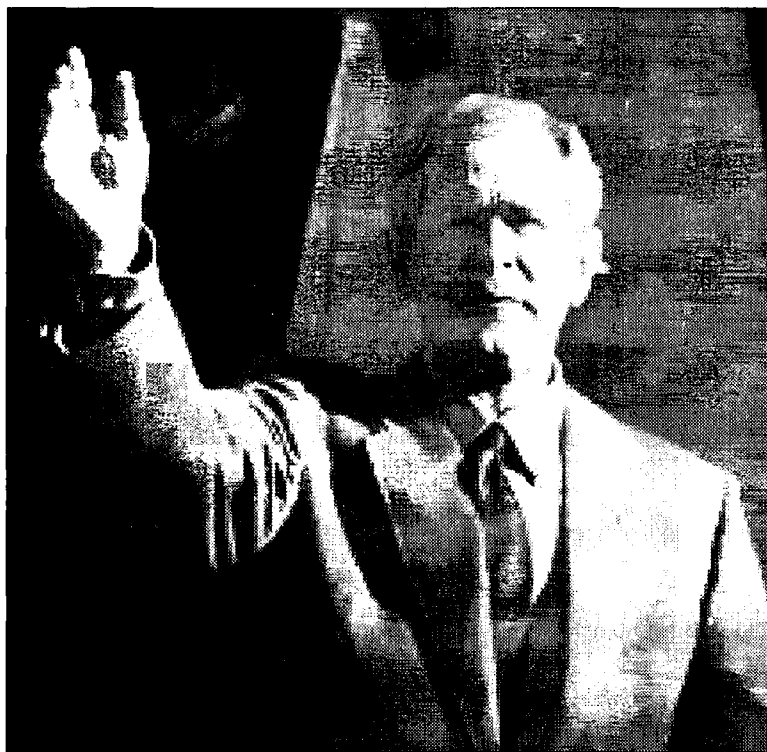
President George W. Bush's plans to speak about Social Security at Notre Dame's Joyce Center Friday, according to a White House press release.

Notre Dame is not affiliated with the president's visit to campus, University spokesman Matt Storin said.

"This is not a Notre Dame-sponsored event," Storin said, explaining that the president's visit would be similar to that of Vice President Dick Cheney in October 2003 — a business transaction between the University and the Bush administration.

"They're basically just

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The White House confirmed George W. Bush's visit to South Bend Friday. The president will speak about Social Security.

### Students plan to honor, protest visit

By KATIE PERRY  
News Writer

President George W. Bush's confirmed visit to South Bend has spurred a diverse mixture of chatter, ranging from speculation on the motivation of the trip to the anticipated campus response.

According to a White House news release, Bush is slated to speak at Notre Dame Friday.

Given the diversity of opinion on campus, student political groups and their respective members will receive Bush in starkly divergent ways.

Ian Ronderos, co-president of the College Republicans, said the organization is eagerly anticipating Bush's visit to the University.

"We are very excited to see such an amazing man and leader

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## Death penalty series features former Illinois governor

### George H. Ryan discusses capital punishment

By TRICIA de GROOT  
News Writer

As part of the "Life in the Balance: Death Penalty Perspectives" series that began last week, former Governor George H. Ryan of Illinois addressed the Notre Dame community Monday night on "The Death Penalty: A System of Justice & Reconciliation?"

Ryan began the forum by saying that capital punishment was previously something he thought about only in the abstract with regard to notorious crimes in the news.

While serving as Illinois General Assistant in 1977, Ryan still believed in the death penalty's importance in the criminal justice system, although he did not want to be the executioner.

However, Ryan had a change of heart after learning about Anthony Porter, who spent 16 years on death row until having his case reevaluated and eventually found innocent and released.

"It amazed me that you could come so close to the ultimate nightmare, and the system couldn't do anything

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Former Illinois Governor George H. Ryan speaks alongside panel members about his decision to place a moratorium on the death penalty, thus exonerating the death row inmates in his state.

## INSIDE COLUMN

# Too aware?

Violence against women. Heart disease. Animal rights. The death penalty. Eating disorders.

These are all perfectly worthy causes and pressing issues in our society.

And they have all become jokes to Notre Dame students because of the rash of Awareness Weeks that hit campus in the month of February.

**Chris Khorey**  
*Sports Writer*

It all started in January as the first round of Vagina Monologues letters hit the Observer. At that time the debate was fresh. Students debated the merits of the performance, its relevance to issues of violence, the Catholic Church's position, and the position of women at Notre Dame and in the world.

However, by the time the Monologues were performed in mid-February, they had become at best a joke and at worst an annoyance. V-Day was everywhere. It put up giant posters in O'Shaughnessy, told people to wear red on Valentine's Day (don't we do that anyway?) and brought in Eve Ensler. Unfortunately for Ensler, when she finally arrived, the campus was in a state of total apathy. Worst, female victims of violence, instead of being helped by usually charitable Domers, became the topic that no one felt like discussing any more.

Then came the other issues.

The Queer Film Festival had to deal with a letter from a Bishop denouncing it, but it created little dialogue among the student body.

Proponents of heart disease awareness got totally overshadowed because, like V-Day, they decided to have people wear (gasp!) red on Valentine's Day.

The week after the Monologues commemorated Student Government's Eating Disorder Awareness Week. No one seemed to notice.

A symposium on the genocide in Sudan was held in Jordan Auditorium. Few students attended.

A group of animal rights activists pleaded with seniors not to use sheepskins on their diplomas. People laughed.

Finally, a series of lectures on the death penalty have arrived, but by then students were so burned out and busy with midterms that the discussion was muted at best.

Oh yeah, and it was Black History Month too.

The goal of all of these events was to promote awareness, but it seems they failed. With all the issues jumbled together, all students started to hear was "you're a bigot who doesn't understand the problems of the world." Instead of focusing on the problems being presented, students scoffed at yet another awareness week. To paraphrase the stoners in Super Troopers, "We're already aware! We can't get any more aware!"

It is truly a tragedy that these worthy causes (some more worthy than others, but that's a different column) could not be evenly spaced throughout the year but instead had to be lumped together and thrown at the Notre Dame student body.

I'm thinking that the week after spring break, we should have Awareness Week. Perhaps then students would be more aware of the major problem of under-recognized Awareness Weeks. We could put up posters and fliers and do a performance where people talk about their Awareness Weeks.

We could even wear green on St. Patrick's Day!

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

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## CORRECTION

Due to an editing error, a letter that appeared in the Viewpoint section of the Feb. 25 issue of The Observer contained an unfounded correlation. The letter referred to an on-campus speech by World Trade Center engineer Leslie Robertson before listing the letter-author's concerns about the collapse of the WTC after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Robertson is prohibited from speaking about the WTC. Reference to his public comments, which did not specifically mention the WTC, should not have appeared. The Observer regrets the error.

## QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD BE A SUPERHERO, WHO WOULD YOU BE AND WHY?



**Macarena Ivanisovich**  
freshman  
Pasquerilla West

"Spiderman, because it would be fun to swing around the city."



**Lindsay Dougherty**  
freshman  
Walsh

"I would be Wonder Woman because I like the costume."



**Joe Jost**  
freshman  
Dillon

"Captain America, because I'd want to work with Wonder Woman in her sweet outfit."



**Jorge Villarreal**  
junior  
Dillon

"I would be Dunigan. I would have David Brent's powers."



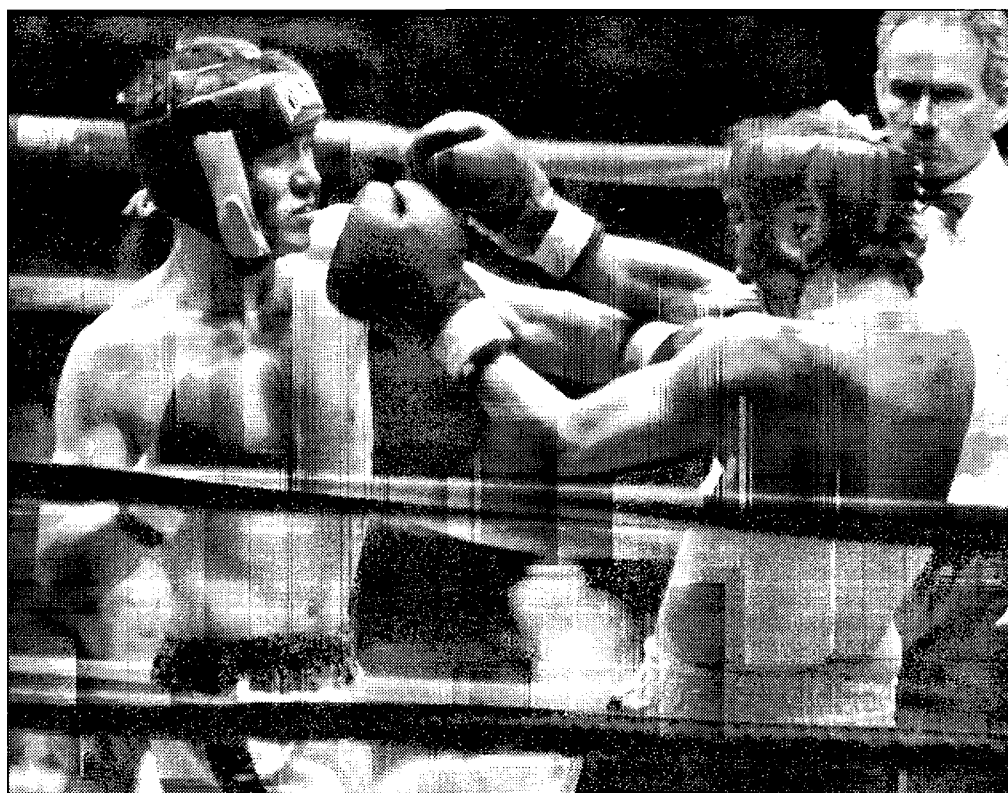
**Trish Murphy**  
junior  
Pasquerilla East

"Bubbles. She does it all: flies, shoots fire from her eyes and speaks rapid Spanish."



**Julie McElroy**  
sophomore  
Breen-Phillips

"I'd be the invisible woman so I could watch men undress."



CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

**Daniel Liem, left, defeated Kevin Loria in the 160-pound weight class in Monday's preliminary round of the 75th annual Notre Dame Bengal Bouts.**

## OFFBEAT

### Nude man covered in cheese gets probation

MARYVILLE, Tenn. — A man caught by police last summer on his 23rd birthday running naked and covered in nacho cheese pleaded guilty Monday to burglary and four other charges.

Michael David Monn of Maryville appeared before Blount County Circuit Court Judge D. Kelly Thomas and pleaded guilty to burglary, theft, vandalism, indecent exposure and public intoxication. In a plea bargain with prosecutors, Monn was sentenced to three years in prison but was given supervised probation.

He also was given a judicial deferral, which means if he stays out of trouble for the next three years the charges will be expunged from his record. Thomas warned Monn that if he violates the sentencing requirements, he must serve the sentence in a state penitentiary.

Early on the morning of July 18, 2004, Monn "was highly intoxicated, broke into the John Sevier Pool snack bar area, stole some spacks and did some damage and was caught naked with some stolen snacks," Blount County District Attorney General Mike Gallegos told the courtroom.

### Kangaroo remains mystery

DODGEVILLE, Wis. — Authorities in southern Wisconsin have discovered that capturing a kangaroo in a snowstorm isn't the hard part. It's finding out where the animal came from.

Authorities recently gave up their hunt for the owner of a red 130-pound marsupial, saying its origin will remain a mystery.

The Iowa County Sheriff's Office has given the Henry Vilas Zoo in Madison permission to keep the kangaroo, nicknamed Roo.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

## IN BRIEF

Bud Welch, president of Murder Victims Families for Human Rights, will give a presentation entitled "Oklahoma City Bombing: Two Fathers & Forgiveness" today from 12 p.m. to 1:15 in the Coleman-Morse lounge.

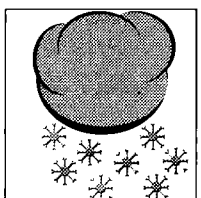
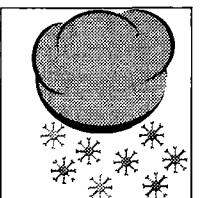
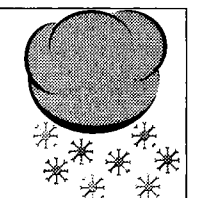
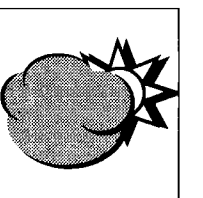
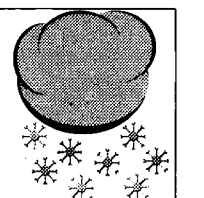
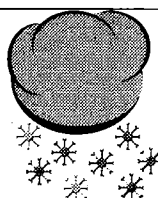
Marvin D'Lugo of Clark University will hold a seminar Thursday in 207 DeBartolo Hall from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30. This seminar is in conjunction with the screening of "La Mala educación/Bad Education" at 7 p.m. the same evening.

Staged readings of "Dead Man Walking" will take place tonight from 7:30 p.m. to 9:15 in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets may be purchased at the PAC box office or by telephone at 574-631-2800.

ProHealth will conduct blood pressure and body fat screenings from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Wednesday in the Grace Hall lobby. The wellness assessments are available to all ND faculty and staff, and no appointment is necessary.

A panel discussion entitled "National Debate on the Death Penalty" will take place from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 Wednesday in the Hesburgh Center auditorium. The panel will feature Madison Hobley, found innocent of murder after serving 14 years on Illinois' death row; Dick Dieter, Notre Dame '68, director, Death Penalty Information Center; and Bill Pelke, president, National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

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

LOCAL WEATHER	TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH
	25	18	28	32	30	32
	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW
	20	15	15	22	20	21

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## COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

## SUB, administration nominees approved

*Student body president-elect Dave Baron shows support for newly-appointed officials*

By MARY KATE MALONE  
News Writer

The Council of Representatives met briefly Monday night to approve two nominations for the upcoming school year.

The Council approved Jimmy Flaherty's nomination for Student Union Board Manager. This will be his second year in the position. Student body president-elect Dave Baron told representatives that Flaherty will continue to bring new energy into SUB.

"We want Jimmy to take over as manager once again. He has a freshness with what he wants to do. He's going to make SUB a brand name across campus," Baron said.

COR also approved Liz Kozlow as Chief Executive Assistant to Baron's upcoming administration. Kozlow, who served as chairperson of the Oversight Committee on the Student Senate, will begin her new position April 1.

Baron offered praise of Kozlow's character and assured representatives that she will go above and beyond expectations.

"Liz is a good-natured, friendly person. I feel like I know the qualities needed to be a solid CEA, and Liz has got them," Baron said, referring to his own experience as this year's CEA for current student body president and vice president Adam Istvan and Karla Bell.

#### In other COR news:

♦ Assistant director of the Student Activities Office Peggy Hnatysko announced that her office is seeking nominations for Student Leadership Awards.

"This is a big honor. If you are selected it means you are in the top 1 percent of student leaders," she said.

The deadline for Student Leadership Awards applications is March 16.

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## Performer addresses gay issues

By KATE ANTONACCI  
Associate News Editor

To kick off Notre Dame's first Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Questioning (GLBQ) Awareness week, local performer Bradley Bogaert spoke Monday about living as a gay man in South Bend.

Bogaert, a 1979 graduate of Marian High School in South Bend who currently works at Truman's Night Club as a drag queen, discussed coming out, gay bashing and drug and alcohol problems. He himself suffered from a drug and alcohol addiction from age 16 to 36. In 1996, he entered a six-month rehabilitation program, which led him to sobriety.

"I was doing drugs and thought I was the best entertainer there was," Bogaert said. "[But] I have never been happier being sober."

After discussing his personal struggles, Bogaert said he also had to deal with the many societal struggles that come with being gay.

"They say being gay is a choice. I wish it was a choice," Bogaert said. "I would choose to, and everyone's going to hate me for saying this, be straight. There are times I love to be gay, but it really isn't a choice."

Despite these difficulties, Bogaert said that gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender individuals today live in a far more welcoming society than that of his youth.

"People today have so many opportunities that we didn't have," Bogaert said. "Still, I'm proud to be what I am. I

love being gay."

According to event organizers, many University officials thought that it was important to have Bogaert speak on campus.

"The administrators that I spoke with personally were fairly enthusiastic about his coming, as they realized he would be dealing with many taboo subjects that perhaps haven't been discussed in a meaningful way," said Chris Vierig, organizer of the week and member of the Senate Diversity Committee.

"For example, it was very important for gay, lesbian and bisexual students to hear the story of a gay man who was addicted to drugs and alcohol but who overcame his circumstances to find his true identity," Vierig said.

Several audience members seemed offended by parts of his talk, such as discussions about drug and alcohol use, gay bashing, prostitution and pornography. Others questioned Bogaert's choice to call on audience members to ask about their sexual orientation.

"Personally, my support of GLBTQ rights has nothing at all to do with whether I am hetero or homosexual, it has to do with human rights and civil rights at large," said Anna Gomberg, graduate student and co-coordinator of the unofficial student group AllianceND. "I think that student leaders working in this arena have a different responsibility to realize that this is a question that is really hard for someone who is questioning or closeted."

However, the audience responded positively to Bogaert's often humorous speaking style, which made discussion of difficult topics easier.

"His entertaining style is very candid and upfront, and his willingness to disclose his own orientation seemed to

make that [sexual orientation] question a little more comfortable to me," Gomberg said.

GLBQ Week came about through efforts by the Senate Diversity Committee and student body president Adam Istvan, Vierig said.

Though Bogaert was asked to speak on campus several weeks ago, official approval for the event was not granted until Thursday afternoon, said Gomberg, who asked Bogaert to give the talk.

While Vierig said it was difficult to get the University to approve Bogaert to speak on campus, the event's turnout

was greater than expected. Although the planners expected a core group of gay, lesbian and bisexual students to come, they said they were pleased to see many straight students attend.

"Overall, I think the University is, however, open to a multiplicity of opinions and welcomes numerous discussions of various discourses so that students may engage in a critical thought process of their own beliefs," Vierig said. "This, I believe, is at the heart of any university education."

On Wednesday, other events for GLBQ Awareness Week will take place, including students wearing orange shirts to support gay, lesbian and bisexual students on campus and Theology on Tap discussing homosexuality within a Catholic context at Legends at 10 p.m.

The film "In and Out" will be screened Thursday in the LaFortune Ballroom. Additionally, The Laramie Project, a play about the murder of gay college student Matthew Sheppard, will be performed today, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts.

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## Congregation of Holy Cross



Fr. Sorin with Holy Cross priests and brothers

"Thanks to the favor God showed me I laid a foundation as a wise master-builder might do, and now someone else is building upon it." (1 Cor 3:10)

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## BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

## Relief effort, new Student Center celebrated

By KELLY BALE and ERICA RANGEL  
News Writers

Meeting for the last time in the conference room of the Haggar Student Center, Saint Mary's Board of Governance celebrated on Monday its move to the new Student Center and the end of its "Love Makes the World Go Round, Show Your Love" tsunami relief campaign.

"I know we were a little iffy at first," student body president Sarah Catherine White said. "But we pulled through and we are well beyond our goal."

Student body vice president Mary Pauline Moran attributed much of the fundraiser's success to the theme "Show Your Love" and because the campaign lasted the entire month of February.

"I think the fact that we waited was good, it gave everyone a chance to reflect on the event," Moran said. "I think people wanted to donate but didn't know when or where [to donate] and this provided them with the opportunity."

BOG's goal of \$1341, or \$1 per student, was nearly doubled with a final total of \$2610.10. White, Moran and executive treasurer Molly

Welton presented the final check to history professor Dr. Cyriac Pullapilly.

Pullapilly will pass the Saint Mary's funds onto the Salesian Fathers of India, who help raise and educate orphans and street children.

"All of the student body cooperated and contributed ... we should keep up this spirit," Pullapilly said. "I thank you on behalf of the Salesian Brothers for the people of India who will benefit from this."

Pullapilly continued, "It's such an amazing thing. I am so proud of these girls for putting together a successful campaign. It says a lot about the ladies that come to Saint Mary's."

White, Moran and Welton also presented BOG with a poster that will be signed by members and displayed in the new student center thanking students for the funds they raised.

White also acknowledged Welton, whom White said put a large amount of work into organizing the fundraiser and helping it run smoothly.

BOG placed containers in each of the residence halls and other locations on campus to collect donations. A face-to-face collection was also done in a series of three "Night Knocks." Members of BOG



BOG members present Dr. Cyriac Pullapilly with a check for the Salesian Fathers of India.

went to each dorm room asking each resident for \$1.

BOG approved a co-sponsorship through the Student Academic Council for three seniors and three freshmen from the Social Work Department to travel to Mexico during spring break. The students will be attending the El Salvador Encounter where they will do service work and attend various workshops. A brown bag lunch presentation about their trip is scheduled for when they return.

#### In other BOG news:

♦ Student Activities Board will hold a "write the troops ses-

sion" tonight at 8 p.m. in the Le Mans Lobby.

♦ Saint Mary's Alumnae will be on campus from March 14-20. Alumnae will participate in activities like Midnight Madness and will also attend lunch with current students throughout the week.

♦ The second part of Senior Formal tickets are being sold this week. Money is due Wednesday and table signups are due on Friday.

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## Fire alarm interrupts reception

By KATIE PERRY  
News Writer

University donors were surprised to learn they would be asked to evacuate the Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts during a reception Friday evening due to a false fire alarm.

The Edward Frederick Sorin Society, which honors those who annually give \$1,000 or more to Notre Dame, was in the middle of a function in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DPAC when the fire alarm went off and guests were forced to leave the premises until safety could be assured.

Manager of Guest Services Jacqueline Schmidt said the alarm went off at 7:30 p.m.

"Our staff followed all of our standard procedures appropriately and efficiently and evacuated the building," Schmidt said. "Once we had accounted for all of our guests and confirmed that there was no threat to their safety, we brought everyone back in and resumed all of our scheduled activities."

According to Megan O'Hara, a member of the event staff, a special effect used in the play "The Laramie Project" caused the fire alarm to falsely sound. The two events took place at simultaneous times in the building.

"There is a scene that uses fog, and apparently that is what set off one of the alarms below the stage in the Decio Theater," O'Hara said.

Despite the inconvenience, Schmidt said the guests made no complaints and in fact gave compliments regarding how well the situation was handled.

"It should've been mass chaos, but actually we got people reseated for the Laramie Project fairly quickly, and the actors didn't miss a beat," O'Hara said. "The Sorin Society performance was almost over anyway so the people just finished with the reception in the PAC lobby."

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## Director named for Master of Science Program

Special to the Observer

Thomas J. Harvey has been appointed director of the Master of Science in Administration (MSA) Program in the Mendoza College of Business at the University of Notre Dame.

Harvey most recently served as senior vice-president of the member service division at the Alliance for Children and Families in Milwaukee. He also taught in a certificate program on nonprofit management for the

University of Wisconsin at Green Bay.

"Tom's experience, network, energy, and vision will be a tremendous asset for the MSA Program and for efforts of the College of Business and Notre Dame to serve the needs of the nonprofit sector," said Carolyn Y. Woo, Martin J. Gillen Dean of the College.

Established in 1954, the MSA program is designed to hone the administrative leadership skills of people working in social service

organizations. The program was restructured in 2001 to include a core curriculum of courses on grant writing, development, financial management, marketing, accounting, human resource management, communications, and ethics, all tailored for the not-for-profit sector.

Harvey, who has held a variety of professional and social service positions for 35 years, served as president of Catholic Charities USA from 1982 to 1992. In 2003, the Council on Social Work

Education named Harvey one of the 51 leaders in the field of social work during the past 50 years.

Harvey earned his bachelor's degree in philosophy from St. Charles Borromeo College in Philadelphia, master's degrees in sacred theology from the Gregorian University in Rome and in social planning and community organization from Columbia University, and a certificate in nonprofit management from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

## Bush

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using our facility," Storin said. "The original interest was, I think, more coming to South Bend than Notre Dame."

Storin said the Century Center downtown was not available for the president's visit in the necessary time-frame, so the JACC was the next best option.

However, Storin added that while the president's visit will have no more connection to Notre Dame than the rental of the JACC, the University will be making all conveniences available to the president in the facility.

"We're working with them — he is the president of the United States," Storin said.

Storin said he could not comment on any additional security measures or restrictions related to the upcoming visit.

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# TOLERANCE RECONCILIATION

TWO WEEKS OF MUSIC, FILM, THEATRE, AND DISCUSSION

THE NOTRE DAME DEPARTMENT OF FILM, TELEVISION, AND THEATRE PRESENTS

## THE LARAMIE PROJECT

BY MOISÉS KAUFMAN  
DIRECTED BY ANTON JUAN  
DECIO MAINSTAGE THEATRE  
FEBRUARY 22 – MARCH 3

TICKETS \$12, \$10 FACULTY/STAFF, \$10 SENIORS, \$8 ALL STUDENTS  
The 1998 murder of Matthew Shepard has become an icon of intolerance. In response to the brutal event *The Laramie Project* captures the turbulent emotions of the residents of Laramie, Wyoming, haunted by the reality that collectively they had raised the sons who could show such hate. It is a story of great sadness, great beauty and, perhaps most importantly, great revelations.

## DEAD MAN WALKING

BY TIM ROBBINS  
DIRECTED BY SIIRI SCOTT AND JAY SKELTON  
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A SYSTEM OF JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION?"  
Keynote Address by Former Governor George H. Ryan of Illinois  
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# WORLD & NATION

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Iran's nuclear secrecy criticized

VIENNA, Austria — The chief U.N. atomic watchdog chided Iran on Monday for delays in divulging key information about its nuclear program, saying the onus is on Tehran to overcome a "confidence deficit" caused by past cover-ups.

As Mohammed ElBaradei criticized Iran at a meeting of the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Bush administration suggested it was considering a major strategy shift — joining Europe in offering Tehran economic incentives to abandon its uranium enrichment program.

Russia, meanwhile, sought to dismiss concerns that an Iranian nuclear reactor it built and will supply with fuel could be used to develop weapons. The accord signed Sunday is key to bringing Tehran's first reactor on line.

### Bin Laden, al-Zarqawi plan attacks

WASHINGTON — New intelligence indicates that Osama bin Laden is enlisting Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, his top operative in Iraq, to plan potential attacks on the United States, federal officials said Monday.

Al-Zarqawi has been involved in attacks in the Middle East. He has not been known to have set his sights on America.

The Homeland Security Department issued a classified bulletin to officials over the weekend about the intelligence, which spokesman Brian Roehrkasse described as "credible but not specific." The intelligence was obtained over the past several weeks, the officials said.

The government has no immediate plans to raise its national terror alert level, Roehrkasse said. But, he said, the intelligence "reiterates the desire by al-Qaida and its associates to target the homeland."

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Suspect cannot be held indefinitely

WASHINGTON — A federal judge ordered the Bush administration Monday to either charge terrorism suspect Jose Padilla with a crime or release him after more than two and a half years in custody.

U.S. District Judge Henry Floyd in Spartanburg, S.C., said the government cannot hold Padilla indefinitely as an "enemy combatant," a designation President Bush gave him in 2002.

"The court finds that the president has no power, neither express nor implied, neither constitutional nor statutory, to hold petitioner as an enemy combatant," Floyd wrote in a 23-page opinion that was a stern rebuke to the government. He gave the administration 45 days to take action.

### Concerns aired over Medicaid cuts

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration's proposal to cut some \$40 billion from Medicaid would reduce access to health care for the poorest Americans, governors said Monday after meeting with the president.

"His budget would have a dramatic effect on the health care of millions of Americans," said Democrat Mark Warner of Virginia.

Added Republican Bob Taft of Ohio: "The governors are very nervous about agreeing to any spending cuts."

Some governors, however, said they realized they eventually must compromise, but their bigger desire was to win freedom.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Court sets convict's execution date

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Supreme Court today set an April execution date for a man convicted in the 1987 torture-slaying of an 18-year-old Terre Haute woman.

Bill J. Benefiel, 48, is scheduled to be put to death by lethal injection April 21 at the Indiana State Prison in Michigan City. He received the death sentence in 1988 for killing Dolores Wells of Terre Haute.

The U.S. Supreme Court in November declined to hear Benefiel's appeal in what was his final appeal.

## IRAQ

# 115 killed in suicide car bombing

*Attack is the single deadliest the country has seen since the fall of Saddam Hussein*

Associated Press

HILLAH — The pile of sandals and shoes told part of the story. So did the blood splattered high on a wall and pooled in the street. Then there was the bomber's car, or what was left of it — a twisted engine block and ruined frame.

Most telling was the weeping relatives of the dead and the maimed.

In the deadliest single attack since the fall of Saddam Hussein, a suicide car bomber killed 115 people and wounded 132 on Monday, mostly police and army recruits lined up for physicals at a medical clinic. The explosion in this largely Shiite Muslim town about 60 miles south of Baghdad presented the boldest challenge yet to Iraq's efforts to build a security force that can take over from the Americans.

Some of the victims were shoppers or vendors from a nearby outdoor street market selling produce, sandwiches and other food. But most were recruits waiting outside the clinic.

"I was lucky because I was the last person in line when the explosion took place. Suddenly there was panic and many frightened people stepped on me. I lost consciousness and the next thing I was aware of was being in the hospital," said Muhsin Hadi, 29, a recruit. One of his legs was broken in the blast.

Angry crowds gathered outside the main hospital, chanting "Allah Akbar," Arabic for "God is great," demanding to know their relatives' fate. People at the site of the attack reportedly chanted slogans against the "Wahhabis," referring to adherents of the strict form of Islam preached by Osama bin Laden.

Dozens of people stepped through small lakes of blood that pooled on the street to retrieve shattered limbs, severed feet and hands.



An unidentified woman grieves at the scene after a suicide bomber blasted a crowd of police and national guard recruits outside a clinic in Hillah on Monday. The deadliest attack since the end of the war left at least 115 dead and 133 injured.

Empty shoes and sandals of those killed or wounded were thrown into a corner.

Scorch marks infused with blood covered the clinic's walls. Morgue workers unloaded plastic body bags from pickup trucks as weeping relatives looked on.

The bombing comes at a time when the Sunni Arab insurgency is trying to disrupt the formation of a new government set to be led by majority Shiites for the first time in modern history. Iraqi forces are eventually supposed to take over responsibility for security the key to Washington's exit strategy — but they remain under-equipped, ill-prepared to fight insurgents and often make easy tar-

gets.

The Shiites have refrained from striking back — mostly at the behest of their most revered leader, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, who is widely credited with bringing them this far. Al-Sistani wants nothing to impede the Shiites from gaining the political power they have craved in Iraq, and will not allow them to engage in a sectarian war.

It's not that they lack the firepower — nominally disbanded Shiite militias could easily field thousands of tough and effective fighters that could deal a crushing blow to the insurgency.

"We sacrificed a lot of blood, we have to be patient and not drift into a

civil war as Ayatollah al-Sistani has said," said Jalal Eddin al-Sagheer, a senior cleric and member of the Supreme Council for the Islamic revolution in Iraq.

Alliance leader Abdel Aziz al-Hakim recently hinted that the Shiites were waiting to take power before dealing with the insurgency. He indicated that a first step would be to identify and purge the security services of any insurgency sympathizers.

"We must depend on the sons of the Iraqi people who believe in the new Iraq, and not on those bad elements that infiltrated the security circles and turned into a problem," al-Hakim told The Associated Press on Sunday.

## LEBANON

# Prime minister resigns amid protest

Associated Press

BEIRUT — With shouts of "Syria out!" 25,000 protesters massed outside Parliament in a dramatic display of defiance Monday that forced out Lebanon's pro-Syrian prime minister and Cabinet.

Minutes after Prime Minister Omar Karami announced he was stepping down, jubilant demonstrators — shouting, waving flags and handing red roses to soldiers — demanded that Syrian-backed President Emile Lahoud bow out, too, and pressed on with their calls for Syria to withdraw its troops from the country.

Syria remained silent about the rapidly changing atmosphere in Beirut, where Damascus ruled unopposed for years, even deciding on the Lebanon's leaders.

But the dramatic developments — reminiscent of Ukraine's peaceful "orange revolution" and broadcast live across the Arab world — could provoke a strong response from Syria, which keeps 15,000 troops in Lebanon. It also could plunge this nation of 3.5 million back into a period of uncertainty, political vacuum or worse.

Like their counterparts in Ukraine, the Lebanese demonstrators took

their ground and held it — they planned to stay in Martyrs' Square again Monday night. And like Ukraine, their movement had trademark colors: the bright red and white of the Lebanese flag, waved high in the air and worn as a scarf.

The White House welcomed Karami's resignation, saying it opens the door for new elections that are "free of all foreign interference" from Syria, but called again on Damascus to pull out its soldiers.

"Syrian military forces and intelligence personnel need to leave the country," White House spokesman Scott McClellan said.

## Council

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Vagina Monologues was housed under an academic department only.

"It is not and has never been the role of the Office of Student Affairs to officially 'approve' particular speakers or events hosted by academic departments," Poorman said in the letter.

Poorman also said he saw the CLC's resolution as seeking "to circumvent the club recognition process by asking the Office of Student Affairs to endorse the activities of an unrecognized student group."

"This [Poorman's response] is no surprise," said student body president Adam Istvan, who disagreed with Poorman's statement that the CLC was underhandedly trying to win the administration's support for a specific group.

"We're not asking them to approve a group, but to endorse an ideal," he said.

Istvan continued to express frustration with the administration's lack of visible support for the V-Day campaign by describing an explicit reference in the 'stall notes' of a men's dorm he did not identify.

"The defense to this type of action, given by the rector, was 'boys will be boys,'" Istvan said. "I don't think the administration really gets the problem here."

According to Istvan, this incident was indicative of prevailing sexist attitudes at Notre Dame, and of the council's inability to combat them.

"We have no powers beyond what we did [passing the V-Day resolution]," Istvan said. "I don't know what we can do from here."

Several members expressed concern that Istvan had placed too much emphasis on a connection between the administration's failure to endorse The Vagina Monologues and the dorm incident.

"I don't think the two events are as strongly correlated as you make them out to seem," Cavanaugh senator Jordan Bongiovanni said.

Knott rector Brother Jerome Meyer agreed with Bongiovanni, saying, "To say all the administrators of the University don't understand the problem, that's a sweeping accusation."

Siegfried senator James Leito said he felt most disheartened with the resolution's lack of impact.

"My fundamental problem with this group is that it's always been a suggestion box group," Leito said. "That's one of the greatest weaknesses of this group as a whole."

Despite this dissatisfaction, other members emphasized the fundamental importance of the CLC passing the resolution.

"I think it was an important step to make a proclamation," said J.T. Arseniadis, co-chair of the Hall Presidents Council. "You have to take the good with the bad. The vulgarities that you mentioned in the stall notes, that's what we're fighting — we're trying to move away from that."

Carroll rector Father Jim Lewis supported Arseniadis's opinion about the gradual improvements taking place in student government and on campus.

"I think as a campus, we're growing. We're not necessarily where we need to be, but we're moving in a healthy direction," Lewis said.

David Moss, assistant vice president for Student Affairs, said the council should have considered the administration's likely response more carefully when members crafted the V-Day resolution.

"I think when we brought out the resolution to discuss — was it just there to push Student Affairs in a certain direction, or to have an effect on campus?" Moss asked.

He continued, "I saw that the administration would have a problem with The Vagina Monologues ... I was a little surprised when that change [striking the Monologues from the CLC's resolution] didn't pass."

Moss stressed that members of the CLC would have to compromise with the administration if they wanted to have an impact on campus.

Istvan countered Moss's comment.

"I think there's certain issues you can't compromise on," Istvan said. "There's no room for half-steps towards the goal."

Dillon rector Father Paul Doyle said that for him, the decision to vote against the resolution was simple.

"I listen to the bishop — he's our pastor," Doyle said. "If it [the play] teaches something contrary to Catholic teaching, I can't support that, and I don't know how Catholics can."

Bongiovanni suggested the possibility of Notre Dame taking an approach similar to Saint Mary's, which created its own version of the Monologues that was deemed acceptable by Bishop John D'Arcy of the Fort Wayne-South Bend diocese.

"Maybe that's an avenue students want to consider," Bongiovanni said.

Regarding Istvan's comment on Poorman's supposed misunderstanding of the CLC's intended purpose of the resolution, Bongiovanni said future problems in interpretation could be alleviated if Poorman was present at meetings.

"Since we are the advisory group to Father Poorman — shouldn't he be here?" Bongiovanni asked.

Lewis noted that Moss serves as a representative from Student Affairs and Poorman does attend one CLC meeting per year.

### In other CLC news:

♦ Members discussed issues involving transition and dorm elections. Senate Judicial Council president Brin Anderson said there had been conflict between Judicial Board members and rectors resulting from miscommunication over election dates.

"I don't see the need for every dorm to hold it on the same day — just tell us when you need it, we'll get the names to you," Doyle said.

Anderson said it had been hard to find a balance between allowing rectors to choose their own election dates and following the constitution. Further debate was postponed until the next meeting.

♦ The "Flex 10" resolution has been received by Poorman and director of Food Services Dave Prentkowski, Istvan said.

"I can't give a timetable, but I assume sometime after break we'll hear back from Student Affairs," Istvan said.

♦ The vending task force chaired by Leito presented a resolution regarding laundry and vending prices that was passed unanimously after slight changes to certain clauses.

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## Response

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come to visit our campus," Ronderos said. "I am really excited about prospect of passing tax reform and social security reform. I hope that the president speaks on these issues."

According to Ronderos, the College Republicans are planning to attend the event itself in order to display their support for the president.

Anthony Salpino, a freshman member of the College Republicans, has made plans to see Bush speak at the JACC.

"I was pretty interested when I found out he was coming, but I was surprised at how little publicity he got," Salpino said. "It was only mentioned briefly in one email from the College Republicans, and then I had to do a Google search to find out the president was actually coming."

While Salpino and other students will show their support for Bush and his stances, others have made preparations to protest the president's appearance.

Junior Jim Fobert, a member of the College Democrats and Progressive Student Alliance, altered his spring break travel plans upon receiving word of Bush's visit to Notre Dame.

"I was planning on leaving for spring break on Thursday evening, but when I found out [Monday] that he was coming here, I changed my mind," Fobert said. "I will be here for his visit on Friday, most likely to protest."

Fobert and other students will have ample opportunity to voice their opposition to Bush as some on-campus groups plan to demonstrate upon the president's arrival.

According to co-president Nicola Bunick, the College

Democrats are working together with a coalition of other campus groups — such as the Peace Coalition and the Progressive Student Alliance — in order to voice disapproval for Bush's budget proposal and speak out about concerns regarding the proposed social security plan.

"The President's visit is a prime opportunity for us to generate dialogue on campus and in the South Bend community about some of the important issues at stake during this term," Bunick said. "We want to ensure that all sides of the debate are adequately represented."

Faculty offered their own perspectives on Bush's visit.

Political science professor Peri Arnold said he believes the primary motivation of the speech is to garner support for the president's reformed social security plan, which was first unveiled during Bush's inaugural address last month.

"Republican members of Congress are discovering a great deal of resistance among constituents to changes in social security that would include private accounts and large increases in the federal debt," Arnold said. "Bush's hope is to try to lend his more visible weight to this effort."

Rodney Hero, political science department chair, expects local political figures to accompany Bush as he pushes for his new plan.

"I assume he'll have Mitch Daniels and/or other local politicians appear with him, such as Governor [Mitch] Daniels, [Rep. Chris] Chocola, maybe [Michigan Rep.] Fred Upton," Hero said.

The White House has not confirmed whether or not local politicians will join the president Friday.

According to Arnold, Bush's motivation for possibly incorporating local congressional lead-

ers like Chocola is to secure legislative backing.

"Chocola has been up front as a supporter of social security privatization, but it may be that [Bush] is becoming more wary of his support, having discovered significant resistance among constituents," Arnold said.

Assistant professor of political science John Griffin said it is hard to discern whether the visit will be equally beneficial for Chocola and his own political status in the area.

"Given Bush's popularity in the region, it can only help Chocola," Griffin said. "On the other hand, the next congressional election is nearly two years away, so any boost for Chocola will likely have dissipated by then. You also have to presume that in two years' time that it will still be a good thing to be associated with the president, and a lot can happen in Iraq and in the economy over that long period."

While Chocola and other local Republican leaders are expected to greet Bush with a warm reception, the Notre Dame community's response is not as clear.

Hero said that Bush's history with the University — in conjunction with an expected integration of Catholic ideals in his rhetoric — will likely lead to a cordial welcome.

"My sense is ND has been seen as hospitable toward this president — he was the commencement speaker in May 2001," Hero said. "He may be seeking to implicitly link some of his policies to ideas attractive to Catholics."

University spokesman Matt Storin said Monday that the president's visit is not affiliated with Notre Dame.

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## The Riley Prize in Art History and Criticism

The Department of Art, Art History and Design is pleased to announce its annual competition for the Riley Prize in Art History and Criticism.

Current Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students are invited to submit essays on any topic in the history of art or art criticism for consideration in the competition. Essays must deal with the visual arts. They may have been written in conjunction with a course taken at the University, but need not have been.

Rules governing the competition are available in the Art Department Office, 306 Riley Hall.

Two copies of the submission must be delivered to the Art Department Office by 3:00 PM, Monday, March 21st to be eligible.

*A student may only submit ONE entry.*



## MARKET RECAP

**Stocks**  
**Dow Jones** 10,766.223 -75.37

Up: 1,305 Same: 144 Down: 2,046 Composite Volume: 1,775,105,408

AMEX	1,509.44	-7.04
NASDAQ	2,051.72	-13.68
NYSE	7,321.23	+40.66
S&P 500	1,203.60	-7.77
NIKKEI(Tokyo)	11,740.60	+82.35
FTSE 100(London)	4,968.50	-38.30

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
NASDAQ 100TR SER I (QQQQ)	-1.06	-0.40	37.22
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	-0.36	-0.09	25.16
INTEL CP (INTC)	-0.42	-0.10	23.99
YAHOO INC (YHOO)	+1.70	+0.54	32.27
CISCO SYS INC (CSCO)	+1.28	+0.22	17.42

Treasuries			
30-YEAR BOND	+1.38	+0.64	47.06
10-YEAR NOTE	+2.04	+0.87	43.59
5-YEAR NOTE	+2.41	+0.94	39.95
3-MONTH BILL	+0.56	+0.15	26.90

Commodities		
LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	+0.26	51.75
GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)	+1.50	436.10
PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.)	+0.78	89.38

Exchange Rates	
YEN	104.5500
EURO	0.7553
POUND	0.5201
CANADIAN \$	1.2331

## IN BRIEF

### Former CEO denies role in scandal

NEW YORK — Bernard Ebbers took the stand at his trial Monday and flatly denied any role in the \$11 billion accounting scandal that sank WorldCom, telling jurors his "marks weren't too good" in school and that he knows very little about accounting.

The former WorldCom CEO said he fancied himself as "coach" of the company and left the numbers-crunching to former finance chief Scott Sullivan.

Under questioning from his top lawyer, Ebbers explicitly refuted earlier testimony from Sullivan, who claimed that Ebbers pressured him to cook the books to meet Wall Street expectations.

"I wasn't advised by Scott Sullivan of anything ever being wrong," Ebbers said.

"He's never told me he made an entry that wasn't right. If he had, we wouldn't be here today."

The matter-of-fact denial was perhaps the most dramatic moment to date in the five-week-old trial of Ebbers, who is accused of orchestrating the accounting fraud that plunged WorldCom into the largest bankruptcy in U.S. history in 2002.

### Fears over inflation decrease stocks

NEW YORK — Stocks skidded Monday as investors, concerned about rising prices and the threat of inflation, took profits after last week's three-day rally. Volatility in pharmaceutical stocks and an analyst downgrade of Dow Jones industrial General Motors Corp. also pressured the market.

Fresh worries about inflation arose after the Commerce Department's latest reading on consumer income and spending. Personal income fell less than expected in January, but spending was flat and core consumer prices rose 0.3 percent — the fastest rate in more than three years.

Rising oil prices were also a concern, as a barrel of light crude settled at \$51.75, up 26 cents, on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The confluence of news, along with nervousness about a raft of important economic data due later in the week, triggered the slide.

"When you have the [Standard & Poor's 500 index] up three days in a row like we had last week, you'll definitely see some money coming off the table," said Neil Massa, equity trader at John Hancock Funds.

## Federated will acquire May stores

Stores will acquire the Macy's name in an effort to create a nation wide brand

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Federated Department Stores Inc. plans to double its size by acquiring May Department Stores Co. in what amounts to an \$11 billion bet that department stores have a future even as consumers increasingly shop at discounters and specialty stores.

"We believe passionately that department stores have a very important place in the ever-forming, ever-changing retail environment," Terry J. Lundgren, Federated's chairman, president and chief executive said Monday in announcing the cash-and-stock deal.

Many of May's department stores eventually will be converted to the Macy's name as Federated accelerates its strategy of creating a nationwide brand that would give it pricing leverage with suppliers. The transaction also would bring together the operator of Bloomingdale's with May's Marshall Field's, Lord & Taylor and Hecht's chains.

Federated would not say how many jobs will be cut or what the company would do in cases where it would control multiple department stores in malls. Analysts at Smith Barney estimates that 94 malls have stores with Federated and May nameplates.

The company wants to hear what regulators say about whether and how many of the overlapping stores will have to be closed or sold, Lundgren said at a news conference in New York.

The combined company would have about 950 department stores and an additional 700 bridal and formal wear stores. It would operate in every state except Alaska, along with Guam, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia.

Department stores have been losing sales in part because young people regard them as the places



A sign for Famous and Barr, owned by May Department Stores Co., hangs above in St. Louis. May was acquired by Federated Department Stores in a deal on Monday.

where their parents shopped, retail industry analyst Kurt Barnard said.

He said Lundgren has driven Federated to reach out to young people with merchandise that appeals to them, an approach that Federated can use for May's stores.

"It is working," Barnard, the president of Barnard's Retail Consulting Group, said from Nutley, N.J. "We are seeing younger people flocking to the [Federated] department stores."

Still, Federated could face a big challenge in revitalizing May, whose sales have slipped, according to Bob Buchanan, an analyst with A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. "It is not going to be easy to turn that around," he said.

Federated already is spreading the Macy's name to its regional department store groups, meaning that names including Lazarus, Rich's and Burdines will disappear this month.

Lundgren said Federated doesn't plan to change May store names before 2006, but then will rename its stores — and even some Bloomingdale's stores — as Macy's.

That means that May store names including Filene's, Foley's, Hecht's and Kaufmann's could disappear next year.

The extension of the Macy's name takes advantage of its fame and also will allow Federated to expand use of Macy's credit cards and become a nation-

al advertiser, Lundgren said. The combined company will be in the nation's top 65 markets except Jacksonville, Fla.

The merger is the latest consolidation in the department store industry, particularly the mid-tier sector as companies seek to reduce total advertising spending and other costs while gaining bargaining power with suppliers. Just last November, Kmart Holding Corp. agreed to buy Sears, Roebuck & Co. for \$11.5 billion.

And there may be more dealmaking in the offing. Saks Inc. may sell or spin off its middle-market department store division to concentrate on its Saks Fifth Avenue unit.

## Entrepreneur charged with tax evasion

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Tele-communications entrepreneur Walter Anderson was arrested and charged with evading \$200 million in federal and local taxes in what the government said was the largest criminal tax case ever against an individual in the United States.

The indictment announced Monday charges Anderson with hiding income from tax collectors through offshore corporations and bank accounts and claiming to be a Florida resident to avoid paying income taxes in Washington, D.C.

Anderson, 51, also was accused of purchasing fine art and wine and having it shipped to Virginia to avoid

paying Washington taxes, according to the indictment for fraud, tax evasion and obstructing the IRS.

Arrested Saturday, Anderson pleaded not guilty Monday and was ordered held without bail until a hearing Thursday.

"He was living the high life," said the Internal Revenue Service commissioner, Mark Everson. "Because of his dishonest dealings, Mr. Anderson's lavish life style was subsidized by honest, hardworking Americans."

If convicted, Anderson could face up to 80 years in prison. Messages left with his lawyer, John Moustakas of Washington, were not immediately returned Monday.

In documents requesting Anderson's detention until trial, the

government alleged he could be linked to at least seven aliases and that officials seized from his apartment forged identification and manuals detailing ways to create fake identification and hide from authorities.

Among them were "Poof! How to Disappear and Create a New Identity" and "The ID Forger: Homemade Birth Certificates and Other Documents Explained," the document said.

Anderson started a long distance telecommunications business at the time the industry was being deregulated.

When his first company merged with another company in 1992, he formed offshore corporations in the British Virgin Islands to hide the income and mask his involvement.

## Duerson

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sion this morning, so we'll see what transpires between now and April 28," he said.

Activity on the case could occur before this formal status conference date because Duerson chose to retain private counsel, Schill said.

Tuszynski did not return calls seeking comment Monday.

Duerson, 44, of Highland Park, Ill., is charged with two counts of battery and two counts of domestic battery in allegations stemming from a Feb. 3 incident at the Morris Inn on the Notre Dame campus.

All four of the charges are Class A misdemeanors, carrying a maximum penalty of up

to one year in jail and a \$5,000 fine for each.

According to the prosecutor's supplemental affidavit on the case, Duerson allegedly struck his wife, Alicia Duerson, and pushed her out of their hotel room during the early morning of Feb. 3. Alicia Duerson was treated at a local hospital and released, the prosecutor's statement said.

The Duersons were staying on campus for the winter meeting of the Board of Trustees, which was held Feb. 3-4. Dave Duerson, a trustee since 2001, resigned his post Feb. 4.

Dave Duerson is also the president of the Monogram Club, but University spokesman Matt Storin said at the time of the charges that he expected Dave Duerson, the 1990 Monogram Club Member of the Year, to resign that post

as well.

Storin said Monday night that he was not sure if Dave Duerson had officially resigned as the president of the Monogram Club but that he did not expect him to retain his position.

"We were told by his representatives that a letter was in the process of being done and he was going to resign," Storin said.

Dave Duerson's two-year term expires in June, when Julie Doyle is set to take over. Storin said the Monogram Club is not scheduled for any formal activity until its June meeting.

A 1983 Notre Dame graduate, Dave Duerson played defensive back for the Irish from 1979-83 and still holds the all-time program record for career interception yardage. He also served as tri-captain of the 1982 Irish team.

After Notre Dame, Dave Duerson went on to win two Super Bowls in the NFL with the Chicago Bears (1985) and the New York Giants (1990). Dave Duerson was also well-known in the league for his service activities. He was named the 1987 NFL Man of the Year and 1988 NFL Humanitarian of the Year for his work with substance abuse prevention and Special Olympics.

He is also founder, president and CEO of Duerson Foods, LLC, a high-volume meat processor for major restaurants and retail chains.

Dave Duerson was the 2001 recipient of the Sorin Award from the Notre Dame Alumni Association.

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## Ryan

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about it," said Ryan, who couldn't understand how an innocent man could sit on death row for 16 years.

Ryan concerns grew even more after the Chicago Tribune released revealing statistics about the death penalty in Illinois. The information caused Ryan to believe the system was failing.

According to the Tribune series, nearly half of the capital cases in Illinois went back for a retrial, 33 percent of the defendants were represented by lawyers who were later either disbarred or suspended and blacks were being convicted by all white juries.

In January 2000, more death row inmates were exonerated than executed in Illinois and this moved Ryan to action.

"I did the only thing I could do," he said, which was to put an end to the death penalty in Illinois.

He formed a commission to investigate the Illinois justice system, and after his evaluation of this thorough two-year study, Ryan decided they needed to fix the system. But after wrestling with the facts and figures, he concluded the system was, in fact, irreparable.

"There was no doubt that it was arbitrary, capricious, unjust, racist and unfair to the poor," said Ryan.

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## Fourth 'Law and Order' series convenes

Associated Press

NEW YORK — There was a time when even two seemed like a lot. But "Law & Order" didn't stop there.

Taxing the show-biz adage "If they liked it once, they'll love it twice," NBC went beyond "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit" (started in 1999) and "Law & Order: Criminal Intent" (2001) to add yet a fourth edition, "Law & Order: Trial By Jury." (It previews 10 p.m. EST Thursday on NBC, with another episode 10 p.m. Friday in what will be its regular slot.)

"Trial By Jury" stars Bebe Neuwirth ("Cheers") as New York Assistant District Attorney Tracey Kibre. She is joined by Amy Carlson ("Third Watch") as Deputy Assistant District Attorney Kelly Gaffney. Kirk Acevedo ("Oz") plays Detective Hector Salazar, an investigator for the D.A.'s office who initially is paired with Detective Lennie Briscoe (played, of course, by Jerry Orbach, who in December died of prostate cancer at 69), then, after this week's episodes, teams up with D.A. Investigator Chris Ravell (Scott Cohen, of "NYPD Blue" and "Street Time").

As District Attorney Arthur Branch, "Law & Order" veteran Fred Dalton Thompson will be a regular here, too.

Under the rule of Dick Wolf, grand pooh-bah of the "Law & Order" empire, this latest entry bears an unmistakable family resemblance: The New York setting; the time-and-place title cards and "ba-bing" signature; a solemn mission statement with which each episode begins: "In the criminal justice system, the most important right is a trial by jury. This is one of those trials." Ba-bing!

The newest variation on an ever-more-familiar theme, "Trial By Jury" proves most

innovative in how it echoes the dualistic format of the original to a degree previous spinoffs never have.

Through 344-and-counting episodes over 15 seasons, "Law & Order" has always done things by the book: nabbing the bad guy in the first half, then hauling that scoundrel into court. On "Trial By Jury," a comparable symmetry is achieved by tracking the opposing sides as the case unfolds. Each episode cross-cuts between the prosecutors and the defense team (made up of guest stars like Annabella Sciorra and Peter Coyote) as each side revs up for the courtroom clash.

On Thursday's episode, will the prosecutors nail a Broadway producer for murdering his actress girlfriend? On Friday, will a wily defense attorney win the jury's sympathy for his severely wounded client — a thug on trial for killing a cop who complains of police brutality?

Each case will be decided by hour's end. But a more sweeping verdict will be rendered in due time by a jury of viewers: Is "Trial By Jury" guilty of being one "Law & Order" too many?

Is the saturation point in sight, particularly with TNT airing hours of old "Law & Order" episodes while reruns of "Special Victims Unit" and "Criminal Intent" unspool on USA? And forget cable. In thrall to all things "Law & Order," NBC typically devotes nearly one-third of its prime time to the various shows — and this week will blanket more than half its schedule with a "Law & Order" sprawl.

One early clue to how the jury might be leaning: Of the three established series, only "Special Victims Unit" is attracting more, not fewer, viewers now than a year ago.

But there's a flip side to the

threat of "Law & Order" overkill. Whatever the risk of hastening viewer fatigue, each new show further enriches the world all the series share. Even as they snugly coexist in New York City, they expand that realm.

The boundaries of each series are a permeable membrane, so stories and characters are free to roam. Already, crossover episodes of "Law & Order" cum "Trial By Jury" are in the works for this spring.

Meanwhile, re-entering the franchise after a decade's absence is Christopher Noth, a charter "Law & Order" star who left in 1995 (along with his character, Detective Mike Logan, who was banished to a Staten Island precinct house). Starting next fall, Noth will share top bill with Vincent D'Onofrio on "Criminal Intent," shooting at the same Manhattan studio where he toiled on "Law & Order" for six seasons.

Jerry Orbach transferred out of "Law & Order" after last season, his 12th. Like Briscoe, his beloved character, he was seeking lighter duty. Like Briscoe, he found it on "Trial By Jury" in a less demanding job.

Then illness claimed Orbach. Now Briscoe, too. In a future episode, his passing will be noted by other "Trial By Jury" characters as they return from his memorial service — another example of "Law & Order" mirroring real life.

"It was unspeakably sad to lose Jerry," Neuwirth said last week at the "Trial By Jury" studio in Queens. "But one of the great examples that Jerry set was a herculean work ethic. It was beyond being a trouper." After his death, "that example made it not so daunting for us to carry on."

As they carry on at "Trial By Jury," one cast member shuttles between there and "Law &

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## ISRAEL

# Court orders case to be reopened

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israel's Supreme Court ordered the military on Monday to reopen the case of a U.S. activist who accused Israeli troops of shooting and seriously wounding him in the West Bank two years ago without provocation.

Brian Avery, 26, of Chapel Hill, N.C., was shot in the face in the West Bank town of Jenin on April 5, 2003. He was part of a contingent from the "International Solidarity Movement," a pro-Palestinian group whose activists often insert themselves between Palestinians and Israeli forces to disrupt military operations.

Avery said he and a colleague were wearing bright red doctor vests and were standing still with their hands over their heads when soldiers in approaching military vehicles opened fire with no warning

shots.

Avery asked the court to order a criminal investigation, putting soldiers on trial. An internal army inquiry said his allegations were baseless, but the court ordered the military to reopen the case and take testimony.

"I'm just happy that the judges believe the case requires further action," Avery said.

After six reconstructive operations on his face, Avery's disabilities from the shooting include impaired vision in his left eye and several missing teeth.

The army said Monday it regrets the pain caused to the Avery family and will follow the Supreme Court's ruling.

Avery's attorney, Michael Sfard, said the ruling "shows the military that even internal inquiries should be managed professionally and with care to get testimony from all sides, not just from military."

"This coerces the military to

change its stand on things," Sfard added. "This is definitely not usual."

Human rights groups have criticized the military during four years of Palestinian-Israeli violence when army attacks that resulted in civilian casualties have been handled through internal inquiries rather than criminal investigations.

The groups say few soldiers have been tried or punished for harming civilians.

The military regularly replies that civilian casualties are unintentional, blaming Palestinian militants from operating in civilian areas.

During Monday's hearing, Justice Edmund Levy explained the rationale behind the ruling. With Avery seated in front of him, Levy said, "The man wants to know what happened to him. Surely as a state, as a court, we should want the same ... It's the least we can do."

# Habitat for Humanity nears goal

Associated Press

AMERICUS, Ga. — Habitat for Humanity, the Christian home-building organization, said Monday it is close to its goal of raising \$25 million to build 25,000 houses for victims of the Asian tsunami.

"It was a terrible tragedy, but we've had a tremendous response," Habitat spokesman Chris Clarke said.

Thanks to some large corporate donors — including the home-

improvement chain Lowe's Cos. — as well as smaller contributions from individuals and churches, Habitat had raised more than \$23 million for tsunami relief, Clarke said.

Lowe's donated \$320,000 and raised another \$680,000 by matching customer contributions. The National Association of Realtors raised another \$1.3 million, he said.

Habitat, which has been working in the Asian-Pacific region for about 10 years, plans to focus its

recovery effort on four of the hardest-hit countries: Sri Lanka, India, Thailand and Indonesia.

Habitat said it has beefed up its Asian staff and has formed new partnerships with relief agencies.

"I've never seen such devastation," said Maria Chomyszak, manager of Habitat's disaster-response office, who visited India, Thailand and Sri Lanka in January. She said the tidal wave damaged or destroyed 130 homes Habitat had already built in Sri Lanka.

# Inspectors find less E. coli in hamburger

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Fewer cases of contamination from a dangerous strain of E. coli turned up in ground beef last year, even as the government increased its testing.

The bacteria, spread mainly when people eat undercooked ground beef, infects about 73,000 people and kills 61 each year, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The organism can cause bloody diarrhea and kidney failure.

Of 8,010 ground beef samples analyzed last year, 0.17 percent tested positive, compared with from 0.3 percent the year before, the Agriculture Department reported Monday. That is a 43 percent decline.

Federal inspectors at meat plants also increased the number of samples, which had been around 6,000 to 7,000 a year.

Agriculture Department officials credited efforts since 2002 to have plants update plans for guarding against tainted meat and changing plant operations after the gov-

ernment's Food Safety and Inspection Service has reviewed those plans.

"When you look at the numbers from year to year, I don't think it's a matter of coincidence that these numbers have gone down," said Merle Pierson, acting undersecretary for food safety.

He pointed out that the rate of infection also has dropped. According to CDC, the number of E. coli infections declined 36 percent from 2002 to 2003, the most recent dates for which figures are available.

Caroline Smith DeWaal, head of food safety for the Center for Science in the Public Interest, said she is troubled by what the government is "not testing, which is imports, meat coming from state plants and also much of the meat coming out of retail stores."

FSIS spokesman Steven Cohen said most ground beef is produced at plants and that retailers are increasingly buying already-packaged meat.

CDC officials say people can avoid infection by thoroughly cooking ground beef, avoiding unpasteurized milk and washing their hands.

# Attorney general to prosecute obscenity

*Gonzales lays out broad, aggressive agenda*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Alberto Gonzales said Monday he would move aggressively to prosecute obscenity cases, and he laid out a broader agenda much like that of his predecessor, John Ashcroft.

In his first lengthy address since becoming attorney general in early February, Gonzales said people who distribute obscene materials do not enjoy constitutional guarantees of free speech.

"I am committed to prosecuting these crimes aggressively," he said to a Washington meeting of the California-based Hoover Institution.

The Justice Department is appealing the dismissal of an obscenity case in Pittsburgh in which a federal judge said prosecutors went too far in trying to block the sale of pornographic movies over the

Internet and through the mail. The case initially was prosecuted under Ashcroft.

Gonzales, the son of Mexican immigrants, said the Justice Department also would continue its recent stepped-up activity in human trafficking investigations and prosecutions. "Its victims are usually aliens, many of them women and children who are smuggled into our country and held in bondage," he said.

The Justice Department also is sending teams of federal agents to five more cities struggling with violent crime, Gonzales said, extending a program begun last year in 15 cities. Investigators focus on prosecuting people for firearms violations, which often accompany gang activity, illegal drug organizations and organized crime groups.

The cities are: Camden, N.J.; Fresno, Calif.; Hartford, Conn.; Houston and New Orleans.

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## Watch for wild cows

Certain questions have fascinated humans for centuries: How does one reconcile an omnipotent, omniscient and benevolent God with the existence of evil? What is the "good life"? Does the lost city of Atlantis really exist? What is the origin of the creature commonly referred to as the "cow?"

Katie Boyle

For What It's Worth

Alright, maybe this last quandary was only fascinating to my high school cross country team as we traveled north across the bovine-rich state of Wisconsin. Trips to meets outside the Milwaukee city limits always included such picturesque scenes of farm ... after farm ... after farm.

After the boys had garnered all the insight they could into the female psyche via a borrowed "Cosmopolitan" magazine, entertainment invariably turned to making signs to put in the window of the van.

Through this rudimentary form of brilliant expression, we were able to communicate with the rest of our teammates, who were dispersed in the several vehicles surrounding us on the highway.

While the initial conversations were mainly limited to "Give us the Cosmo" and "Over my dead body," our veritable smoke signals soon took a more philosophical shape.

"Hey — where do cows come from?" someone asked.

In high school, sincerity is never a good idea, as irony invariably achieves better results.

"Come on man, didn't your mom ever explain that to you?"

Nevertheless, the inquirer persisted: "No, seriously. Like, have you ever seen a wild cow?"

The interchange quickly began to capture the attention of the rest of the van.

"Well, the Spaniards brought horses, right?" another voice chimed in. "So who brought the cows?"

The brain-bending escalated into a

clamor. Of course, someone else muttered, "Who cares? I'm trying to sleep."

Despite the din of these various opinions, a plan was soon formed and ready for execution.

Not two minutes later, we plastered our newest and most profound message in the van's window:

"Watch for wild cows."

Now perhaps you already know the origin of our bovine friends. Or maybe you just don't care (you livestock-hating jerk).

But our collective lack of knowledge about such a simple question pertaining to our common environs was startling.

Of course, humanity will always ponder the rhetorically-unanswerable questions. But on our quest for some holy grail of truth, I wonder, how many smaller glimpses of knowledge slip past us each day?

I've never seen a wild cow, and I have never bothered to google the phrase. Looks like I just found another way to procrastinate before starting on my next paper.

I also grew up in the suburbs, where the only thing likely to be grazing the lawn is your neighbor's new riding mower bought to assuage his midlife crisis. Apparently, he never got the memo telling him that he was supposed to buy a Harley.

Yet I still wondered about the origin of the cow and the mystique behind those demure bovine eyes.

In India, many Hindus view the cow as a sacred animal. And in Wisconsin, I don't know if there exists a higher calling than

the provision of cheese.

Questions such as these occur to me nearly every day, but the majority go unanswered, quashed by the demands of a thesis and the rigors of a (thankfully!) completed job search.

But while recognizing our Socratic ignorance, shouldn't we at least try to increase our knowledge?

Although I don't know of anyone aiming to be the next Ken Jennings, it's interesting to note how many of the little queries that puzzle us remain unexplored.

Maybe we like to have some mystery left in our lives — room to create the elaborate tales and fables of our childhood.

Maybe we're just lazy.

Whatever the case may be, keep wondering.

From such conundrums came the Greek Myths,

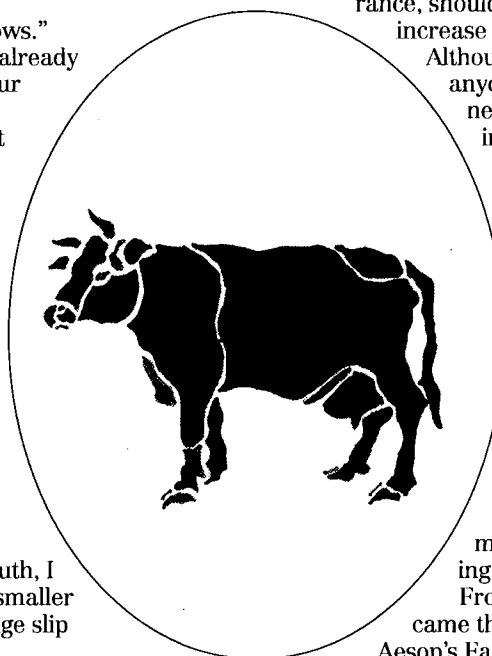
Aesop's Fables and fairy tales by the Brothers Grimm. This unquenchable curiosity and need-to-know has been an inspiration for the arts for ages.

So, watch for wild cows, and when you read the next great American novel on the origin of the bovine, I hope you think of me.

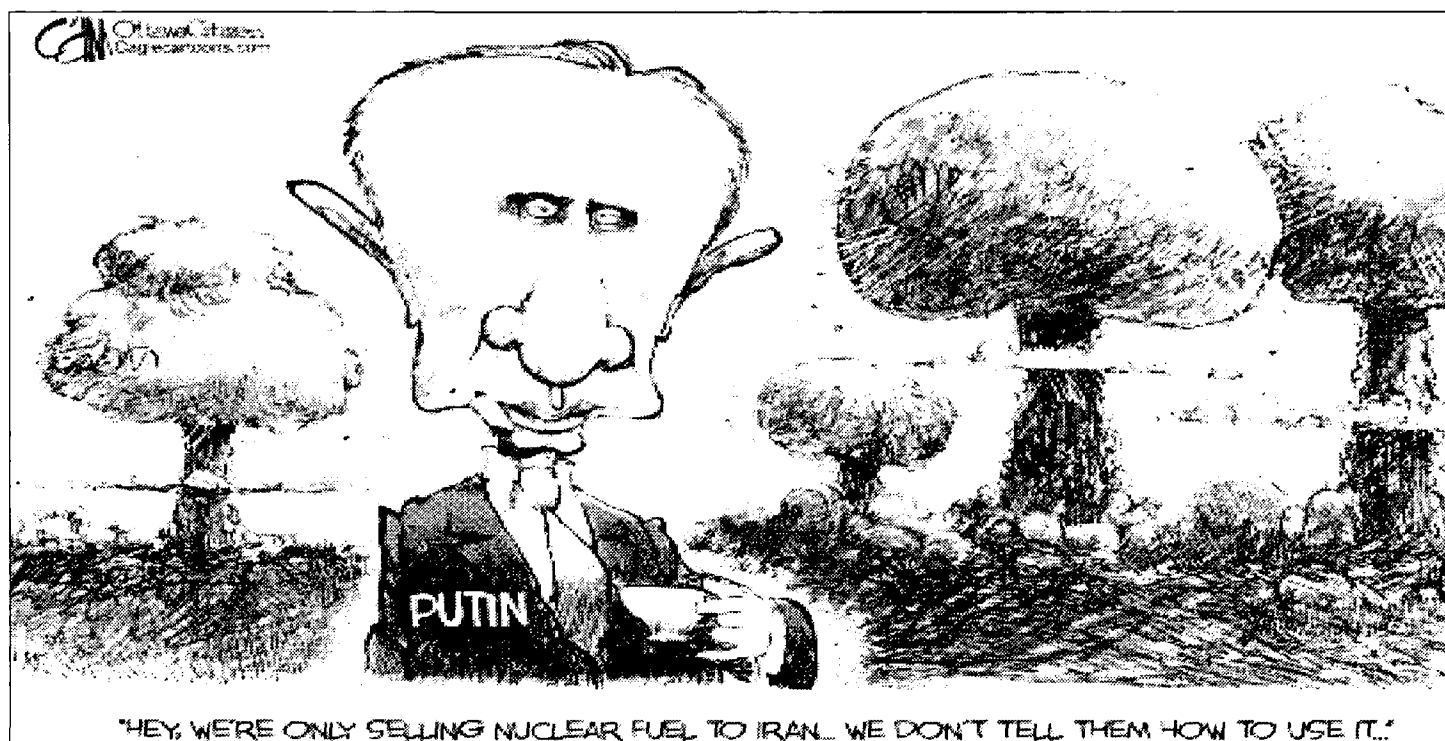
In the meantime, I've moved on to another one of life's great questions: Where is Waldo, anyway?

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"Patience with others is Love.  
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Patience with God is Faith."

Adel Bestravos  
author

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Meaningful debate finally arrives

In honor of Notre Dame's first Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Questioning (GLBQ) Awareness Week, it is crucial to clear up any misrepresentations regarding the Notre Dame events that showcase gay issues.

First, as a former resident assistant, diversity educator and multicultural commissioner, I can assure you that the Catholic perspective on homosexuality has had, and continues to have, many venues. Dialogue on discrimination, hate crimes and other issues related to homosexuality, however, has been severely lacking on campus.

Secondly, the various people that have responded to Bishop John D'Arcy's recent comments have highlighted valuable points, ranging from D'Arcy's historically prejudiced stance towards homosexuals in the priesthood to the Princeton Review's naming Notre Dame the most homophobic campus in the U.S.

With the help of movements like the Queer Film Festival and GLBQ Week, real and meaningful debate about the issues of homosexuality are finally becoming part of the Notre Dame dialogue.

Notre Dame traditions are evolving in order to preserve the meaning of Catholic ideals in modern society. I personally believe that with enough sustained commitment and dialogue, Notre Dame will be able to develop its "distinctive identity" in the "confines of the truth and common good."

The common good is clearly not to disallow gay and lesbians students the right to organize, raise awareness and support each other with the resources offered to other organizations on campus, such as the Multicultural Student Programs and Services office.

Human dignity is at stake, and Notre Dame must continue to change and create a safer and more positive environment for its GLBQ community.

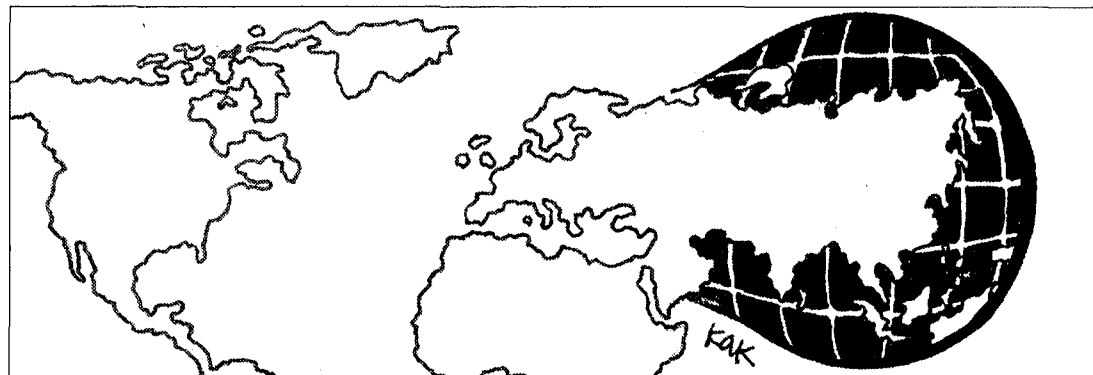
As an alum, it has been encouraging to see national coverage of Notre Dame's unprecedented series of events. This includes a story in the New York Times, even though uninformed critics such as Bill O'Reilly ridicule Notre Dame.

Notre Dame, however, should be commended for its efforts aimed at fostering inclusion. The ND Queer Film Festival is an excellent way to heighten awareness of the issues and discrimination that face gays and lesbians, and this will provide a crucial perspective to the Notre Dame community. I can only hope that the momentum to build a more compassionate, accepting, educated and tolerant campus for gay and lesbian students at Notre Dame will continue and continue and continue.

Anything less would be truly un-Catholic.

Ken Seifert  
Class of 2003  
Feb. 28

### Responding to 'unfair' comparisons



In his column in Monday's The Observer, Joey Falco demonstrated a considerable ignorance of the political situation in Russia and the United States with regards to a freedom and independence of the press.

One, President George W. Bush's point was that when journalists in the United States are fired, that are done so by their editors, not by the United States government. Either Falco completely missed this point, or he fails to see the difference between this and the case in Russia, where Putin has brought all television news agencies and most newspapers under state control. When Russian journalists are removed from their posts, they are done so at the behest of the government in Moscow. For all of Falco's warning that the situation in America is analogous to Russia, he fails to provide one specific example where an American journalist was removed from his job under the explicit orders of the U.S. government or the Bush administration, as there are none. The United States government does not have the power to remove journalists from their positions, unlike Putin's government, which does so with impunity.

Two, Falco provides no evidence that Bush or members of his administration personally directed the compensation of

Armstrong Williams or Maggie Gallagher for supporting his domestic agenda. But again, there is a huge difference between an admittedly underhanded attempt by members of the Department of Education or Health to cultivate support from a few conservative syndicated columnists and the absorption of entire media outlets by the Russian state under President Putin.

Three, Mary Mapes was fired by her superiors at CBS News for basing the entire factual foundation of the 60 Minutes story concerning Bush's service in the National Guard on obviously forged documents from a former Texas national guardsman with a history of mental illness and threats to the Bush family, not because the U.S. president personally ordered her to be fired because she had Dan Rather ask uncomfortable questions about his war record.

Falco, the next time you make such a claim concerning the situations in the United States and Russia, make sure you have a better understanding of the use of state power in both countries in order to avoid making more ludicrously false claims as you did in your column.

Sean Brennan  
Graduate Student  
Feb. 28

## U-WIRE

### Democracy on destructive world tour led by U.S.

As the United States continues to build and rebuild the new Iraq with help from the rest of the world, here's a fun fact about another little country where we just got done waging a war.

Afghanistan ranks 173 out of 178 countries on the United Nations 2004 Human Development Index, according to a new U.N. report. That puts Afghanistan at the bottom of the world trash barrel of human conditions.

As we have seen in both Afghanistan and Iraq, fighting the war is the easy part of "building" a democracy. After it, the real work starts. But this report shows that we are not committed to focusing on the hard work.

President George W. Bush announces the overthrows and elections, but what good are they when basic living conditions are some of the worst in the world?

But worse, how should Iraqis feel about this? Where will our priorities be if we invade Iran? And then North Korea? Will Bush leave us with a demented domino chain of democracy?

The United States has helped nations build democratic governments before. We helped both war-ravaged Germany and Japan emerge from tyranny to republican governments after World War II. But as Afghanistan and Iraq show, Bush is not taking this task as seriously as the United States has done before.

First of all, the United States didn't go marching into Germany and Japan guns blazing, the harbingers of democracy. We weren't the aggressors of conflict like we find ourselves today.

After fighting a global war the United States — with help — took it upon itself to rebuild and encourage democracy on the nations that attacked it.

Second, we were serious about building a democracy. Building a new government takes both time and

money. We occupied both for several years, helping create better conditions than either Iraq or Afghanistan had.

We pumped in aid with the Marshall Plan. We brought order, which led to peace and stability, before giving sovereignty.

Afghanistan and Iraq have neither advantage. Both require large security forces to maintain peace, yet both have already had elections. Afghanistan is lacking in every measure of a nation's development, as shown by its abysmal Human Development Index rating.

"The fragile nations could easily tumble back into chaos," wrote the authors of the report, according to The New York Times.

Ripe for democracy? I don't think so. Yet Bush has already moved on,

shifting attention and capital to Iraq. The United States is currently spending \$4.3 billion a month in Iraq fighting that war. The war in Iraq takes money, soldiers and media attention away from the problems of Afghanistan.

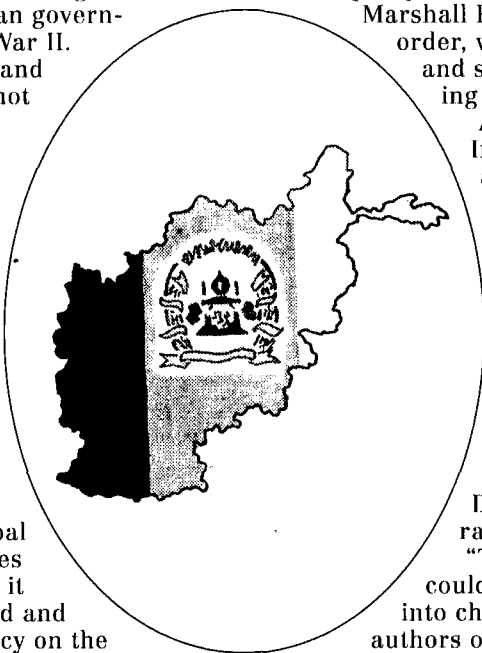
"The report has painted a gloomy picture of the status of human development in the country after two decades of war and destruction," Afghani President Hamid Karzai said in a foreword of the report.

It's true that the United States isn't the sole reason for Afghanistan's plight — our war's only the latest in a long series of conflicts there.

But if the United States and Bush don't fully and patiently support human conditions and rebuilding after invading a country, democracy cannot survive. And our policy of bringing democracy to the world becomes a sham.

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## DVD REVIEW

### Comedic magic of 'Seinfeld' shines in first two seasons



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The antics of Kramer (Michael Richards), left, Elaine (Julia Louis Dreyfus), George (Jason Alexander) and Jerry (Jerry Seinfeld) can finally be found on DVD.

By MOLLY GRIFFIN  
Scene Critic

Few television shows, or even feature films, have been as highly anticipated on DVD as "Seinfeld." The first three seasons of the hit show are now available and have plenty of extras. Seasons 1 and 2 are packaged together due to the short length of the first season, and the extras are spread among the four discs.

"Seinfeld" is frequently described as being "about nothing," and in some senses this is true. Instead of elaborately-constructed plots, the show focuses on the silly details and events that make up the monotony of life for its main characters — Jerry (Jerry Seinfeld), George (Jason Alexander), Elaine (Julia Louis Dreyfus) and Kramer (Michael Richards). Episodes focus on everyday occurrences that usually wouldn't warrant any examination on another television show, such as waiting for a table at a restaurant, leaving a bad phone message or having a new jacket ruined.

Season 1 is rougher and, as a whole, less funny than other seasons from the series. But it does give some insight into the origins of the show and its later evolution. At only five episodes, the first season is extremely short, and the pilot is a throwback to a time when the show was actually called "The Seinfeld Chronicles" and Kramer's name was Kessler. While it isn't really very good, it does give a frame of reference that fans will appreciate. Season 1 has one episode, "The Stakeout," available with commentary from Seinfeld and creator Larry David.

Season 2 shows the roots of the series' slow evolution into the pop culture phenomenon it would later become. Episodes include some of the more well-

known episodes like "The Chinese Restaurant," which chronicles Jerry, Elaine and George's experience of waiting for a table and "The Phone Message," in which George has to steal an answering machine tape from a woman after leaving a message he doesn't want heard. Season 2 has five episodes with commentary. These commentaries feature a variety of the show's creators, including writer Larry Charles, the creative duo of Seinfeld and David or the trio of Louis-Dreyfus, Richards and Alexander.

The commentary from Seinfeld and David, who has since gone on to success with his own show, "Curb Your Enthusiasm," is by far the most entertaining, while the commentary from Louis-Dreyfus, Richards and Alexander is somewhat disappointing. They don't really have much insight to offer and what they do have to say isn't really interesting or engaging.

The setup of the disc menus is extremely clever, as each one looks like a place or item from the series. However, they can be somewhat hard to navigate. The sound and video quality is much better than viewers would find when watching syndicated episodes, but it isn't always perfect.

Along with the episode commentaries, there is a vast amount of extra material available along with the first two seasons. First, there are "Inside Looks" for various episodes, which are composed of interviews with cast and crew that explain the episode's background. "Master of His Domain" is a feature that spotlights Seinfeld's stand-up and "How It Began" is a 64-minute feature that details how the show became a reality. There is also a compilation of clips from cast members' appearances on "The Tonight Show" and a photo gallery.

Overall, while the early seasons of "Seinfeld" aren't perfect, they show the seeds of what the show would later become. The fact that everything — including bad episodes — is included shows just how much the creators wanted to please their die-hard fans.

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## The 77th

The 77th Academy Awards Ceremony was certainly a memorable one, with more surprises and controversy than in past years.

Brian Doxtader

Scene Columnist

While there were some obvious winners who were expected to take home statuettes, some of the biggest awards were uncertain until the moment the envelope was opened.

As for myself, I predicted exactly half of the major awards correctly. In every category where I predicted incorrectly, I at least had the good sense to claim that the eventual winner was deserving of the award, so I had narrowed the field down to two major contenders in each case — which was how most of the award ceremony played out. Although this was two of five, at least I didn't think that "Ray" would win Best Picture, as New York Times critic A.O. Scott did.

Unlike last year, when "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" took all eleven categories in which it was nominated, there was no clean sweep this year by any major film.

"Million Dollar Baby" overcame its dark horse status to become the major winner, taking home Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actress and Best Supporting Actor. It lost the Best Adapted Screenplay award to Alexander Payne and Jim Taylor's "Sideways." It marked Eastwood's second Best Picture and second Best Director Award (both for 1992's "Unforgiven").

"The Aviator" took home most of the technical awards, including Art Direction (Dante Ferretti), Cinematography (Robert Richardson), Costume Design (Sandy Powell) and Editing (Thelma Schoonmaker). Its only major win was in the Best Supporting Actress category; it lost Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actor and Best Original Screenplay. Martin Scorsese once again walked away empty-handed; this was his fifth Best Director nomination since his first in 1980.

#### Best Picture

What won: "Million Dollar Baby"

Who I said would win: "The Aviator"

Who I said should win: "Million Dollar Baby"

The success of this picture played out like its plot: a small film that nobody wanted to make suddenly rises to greatness, just as it follows a small-time boxer whom nobody wants to train as she rises to greatness. The low-budget, extremely intimate film obviously won great favor within the Academy voters, overcoming the Miramax marketing machine to take home the highest honor. It was refreshing to see such a well-made, personal film take home the Best Picture Oscar, since the winners in the past several years have all been major blockbusters ("Lord of the Rings," "Chicago," "A Beautiful Mind," "Gladiator"). Eastwood crafted a surprisingly affecting and powerful film and was rewarded accordingly. The Academy got it right.

#### Best Director

Who won: Clint Eastwood ("Million Dollar Baby")

Who I said would win: Clint Eastwood ("Million Dollar Baby")

Who I said should win: Martin Scorsese ("The Aviator")

Ah, the irony runs deep and rich. It is only fitting that Scorsese lost his fifth Oscar nomination to actor-turned-director Clint Eastwood. Eastwood even claimed that Scorsese should have won for Raging Bull, the director's 1980 boxing biopic. Instead, Scorsese lost again to a director who made ... a boxing biopic. At least the 62-year-old director remains in good company — neither Alfred Hitchcock nor Charlie Chaplin ever won a Best Director award. As for the 74-year-old Eastwood, who collected his second directing Oscar, he has aged like a fine wine, only getting better and more astute with age. "Million Dollar Baby" marks his second straight winner, after last year's "Mystic River." May both he and Scorsese continue to make fine motion pictures for years to come.

#### Best Actor

Who won: Jamie Foxx ("Ray")

Who I said would win: Jamie Foxx ("Ray")

Who I said should win: Leonardo DiCaprio ("The Aviator")

No surprise here. This was the most obvious of

the awards, as Foxx's impeccable music giant was the unquestioned actor in this field turned in a great and each will likely one day have a statue (with the possible exception of Eastwood). Foxx is now indisputable and though his performance showed slightly, it still remains one of the best in recent history. There was no doubt he was going to win the award, although he has been fully undeserved had it gone to other nominee. It also marks John Travolta's second consecutive loss; last year's "Boyz n the Hood" was his first acting nomination. Discounts the plethora of great performances given in the past, for films like "Scissorhands," "Ed Wood" and "Fever in Las Vegas."

#### Best Actress

Who won: Hilary Swank ("Million Dollar Baby")

Who I said would win: Hilary Swank ("Million Dollar Baby")

Who I said should win: Kate Winslet ("Sunshine of the Spotless Mind")

Hilary Swank goes two for two, taking home her second Best Actress statuette and once again beating Annette Bening. Though this award was much deserved and didn't come as a major surprise, there was the widespread belief that either Annette Bening would upset Swank or Bening and Swank would split the vote and Vera Drake's Imelda Staunton would take the award. As for Winslet, she is a very fine actress, so there is no doubt that her time will come — as long as she keeps taking interesting roles and attacking them with the same level of creativity as she did in "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind."

#### Best Supporting Actor

Who won: Morgan Freeman ("Million Dollar Baby")

Who I said would win: Thomas Haden Church ("Sideways")

Who I said should win: Morgan Freeman ("Million Dollar Baby")

It was really good to see Morgan Freeman finally get his due. I didn't expect him to win this award for a few reasons. Church's nomination seemed almost a dual nod for himself and lead actor Paul Giamatti, who failed to receive a nomination. It seemed that "Sideways" would've taken more major awards than just screenplay. It didn't seem likely that "Million Dollar Baby" would have won as many awards as it did, and if one category was going to be affected, it would be this one. Despite this, Freeman turns in one of his strongest performances and is justly rewarded. He remains to this day one of Hollywood's most reli-

## Academy Awards



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able actors and his dignified performance in "Million Dollar Baby" is indicative of his entire career. A solid and well-deserved Oscar.

### Best Supporting Actress

**Who won:** Cate Blanchett ("The Aviator")

**Who I said would win:** Virginia Madsen ("Sideways")

**Who I said should win:** Cate Blanchett ("The Aviator")

Blanchett overcame criticism of her performance as Katherine Hepburn to take home the award. Virginia Madsen, a largely untested actress, does not have the strong body of work that Blanchett does, although one imagines that her time will come eventually. Though I expected Madsen to win this award since the Academy tends to favor actresses as they emerge into greatness, as this actress does in "Sideways," Blanchett's win was more deserved. Her careful reproduction of Katharine Hepburn's quirks was extremely strong and the Academy took notice and gave this fine actress the award.

### Best Adapted Screenplay

**Who won:** Alexander Payne and Jim Taylor ("Sideways")

**Who I said would win:** Alexander Payne and Jim Taylor ("Sideways")

**Who I said should win:** Richard Linklater, Ethan Hawke, Julie Delpy and Kim Krizan ("Before Sunset")

As a picture, "Sideways" was beaten out of the gate. Before awards season rolled around, it was the best-reviewed, best received motion picture of the year. The backlash that set in all but killed its chances of winning the Best Picture award. As consolation, and in recognition of the film's strengths, the Academy awarded it the Best Adapted Screenplay Oscar, a category in which it was the heavy favorite.

Though "Million Dollar Baby" might have given it a run, the other awards given to it assured Sideways that it would emerge with at least the screenplay Oscar (the only major award the picture won).

### Best Original Screenplay

**Who won:** Charlie Kaufman, Michel Gondry and Pierre Bismuth ("Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind")

**Who I said would win:** John Logan ("The Aviator")

**Who I said should win:** Charlie Kaufman, Michel Gondry and Pierre Bismuth ("Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind")

Quentin Tarantino once called the Best Original Screenplay Oscar a consolation award for the hip film

losing the Best Picture Oscar. He could not have been more right than with this, a welcome surprise that awards Kaufman for what is undoubtedly the Best Original Screenplay of the year. In my original assessment, I claimed that "The Aviator" had a less-memorable script than previous Scorsese films, and the Academy took notice, giving the award to the more deserving "Eternal Sunshine." This was a surprise, but certainly a welcome one. Kudos to Kaufman, Gondry and Bismuth for their wonderfully original work, and kudos to the Academy for having the good sense to recognize it.

### Breakdown of the other awards:

◆ Spain's "The Sea Inside" won the Best Foreign Film award, defeating Miramax's French film "The Chorus."

◆ Pixar's "The Incredibles" won the Best Animated Feature award. This came as no surprise as the film was far and away the finest animated film of the year. It was also one of the best pictures of the year, but a nomination in that category was unlikely (the only animated film to ever be nominated for Best Picture was 1991's "Beauty and the Beast").

◆ Jan A.P. Kaczmarek won the Best Original Score Oscar for "Finding Neverland," beating out such veterans as five-time Academy Award winner John Williams (for "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban") and Thomas Newman (for "Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events").

◆ Jorge Drexler's "Al Otro Lado Del Rio" from "The Motorcycle Diaries," performed at the ceremony by Antonio Banderas and Carlos Santana, won the Best Original song. It was the film's sole win in two nominations. The film was also nominated for Best Adapted Screenplay.

◆ Robert Richardson won Best Cinematography for "The Aviator" in a crowded field of contenders, which included Zhao Xiaodong for "House of Flying Daggers" and Caleb Deschanel for "The Passion of the Christ." "The Passion" took neither award for which it was nominated (Best Cinematography, Best Makeup). Thomas Stern's beautifully dark, atmospheric cinematography for "Million Dollar Baby" was not even nominated.

◆ Zana Briski's "Born into Brothels," a documentary about the red light district of Calcutta, won the Best Documentary Feature award, defeating Morgan Spurlock's "Supersize Me." "Fahrenheit 9/11," which was withdrawn from documentary contention in order to maintain Best Picture eligibility, was not nominated for any awards. It won the Palm d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival last year.

◆ Scott Millan, Greg Orloff, Bob Beemer and Steve Cantamessa won Best Sound Mixing for "Ray," the film's only technical award. It was also the only technical nomination in which "The Aviator" was defeated.

◆ Michael Silvers and Randy Thom won the Best Sound Editing for "The Incredibles." During their acceptance speech, one of the recipients derided claims that Sound Editing is a technical award, calling it an art.

◆ Thelma Schoonmaker won her second Best Editing Oscar, this time for "The Aviator." It comes 24 years after her first win for "Raging Bull" in 1981. It also marks the second time that Schoonmaker won the editing award while Scorsese failed to win Best Director and the film itself failed to win Best Picture.

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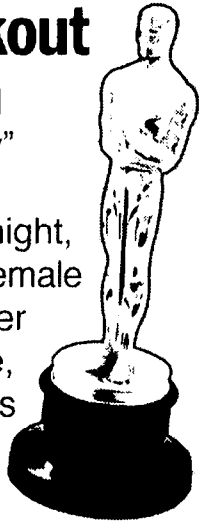


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Best Actress winner Hilary Swank and Best Actor winner Jamie Foxx pose with their awards on Sunday.

## Eastwood scores car knockout

Eastwood and "Million Dollar Baby" led big with the Academy Sunday night, the film about a female boxer and her trainer won Best Picture, Best Actor and Actress awards.



### Best Picture "Million Dollar Baby"

**Best Actor** Jamie Foxx, "Ray"

**Best Actress** Hilary Swank, "Million Dollar Baby"

**Best Supporting Actor** Morgan Freeman, "Million Dollar Baby"

**Best Supporting Actress** Cate Blanchett, "The Aviator"

**Best Director** Clint Eastwood, "Million Dollar Baby"

**Best Adapted Screenplay** "Sideways"

**Best Original Screenplay** "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind"

**Best Animated Feature** "The Incredibles"

**Best Documentary Feature** "Born into Brothels"

**Best Foreign Language Film** "The Sea Inside" Spain

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Frankie (Clint Eastwood), left, coaches an eager Maggie (Hilary Swank) in "Million Dollar Baby," which won the Best Picture award.



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Cate Blanchett, winner of the Best Supporting Actress award, poses with the coveted Oscar prize.

## NFL DRAFT COMBINE

## Clarett's speed hurts stock

Miserable 40-yard dash time might drop running back in draft

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — All that baggage Maurice Clarett has been carrying for years seemed to be riding on his shoulders when he ran at the NFL combine.

Clarett expected to blow away everyone with his workout Saturday. Instead, he might have blown his chance to go early in April's draft.

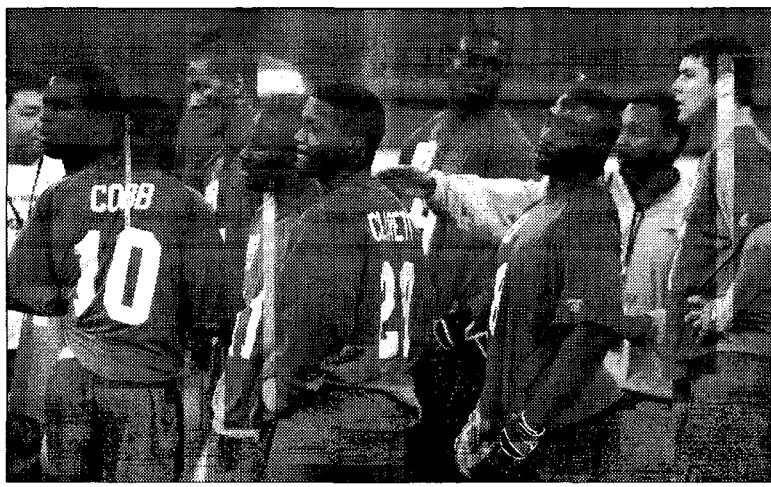
While fellow running backs J.J. Arrington and Ronnie Brown were running very quickly, impressing scouts and personnel directors, Clarett managed a 40-yard time above 4.7 seconds; because he was not among the five fastest, no official time was provided.

That's not nearly fast enough for a first-day draft prospect. Some runners, especially those with a history as cloudy as Clarett's, don't get selected at all when they seem so slow for the position.

"It was a rough one," Clarett told NFL Network. "I've been working so long to get to this day, doing better at practice, and I kind of mess it up. I'm frustrated. I've been working a long time, waking up at 5:30 and going back at 12:30 and then at 7 o'clock, and I totally busted."

He certainly didn't make any teams think about drafting him in a big-money slot. Instead, he claimed he ached the interview sessions with the teams, then bungled the physical stuff.

"A lot of coaches said I was a lot more humble and approachable," he said. "I thought they'd ask a lot more about what happened in the past."



Maurice Clarett's best 40-yard dash at the NFL combine this week was 4.7 seconds, harming his position in the draft.

Such as challenging the league's draft rules in court, winning early, then seeing an appellate court overturn the decision, making him ineligible for the 2004 selections after he missed the '03 season under Ohio State suspension.

Or pleading guilty to lying on a police report after claiming \$10,000 in merchandise was stolen from his car.

Or accepting benefits in college to which he was not entitled.

Or accusing Ohio State of arranging for a no-work job and providing improper academic aid.

Or showing up unprepared for last year's combine.

Or not playing football in '04, either.

Those things are on his resume, however. So is his spotty workout Saturday in which he skipped several drills after his slow run.

"I think we were all as disappointed in his time as he was," Titans general manager Floyd Reese said. "It looks like he's in better shape than last year. It wasn't quite what he hoped when he ran 40s. And it doesn't help

when guys around him run 4.4s."

That would be Arrington, of Cal, who ran a 4.46, and Brown, of Auburn, who turned in a 4.48 on either side of Clarett's poky pace.

"After two years out, he has to get himself in football shape," Cardinals coach Dennis Green said of Clarett. "We don't even know how fast he has run before."

"If you look at the 2002 season, he can play football."

That's what Clarett hopes NFL people do until his personal workout in two weeks. And he might get the benefit of the doubt from some, such as Cardinals executive Rod Graves.

"I will say this, because there is a lot that goes on out there that you have to keep it within the context," Graves said. "Maurice Clarett, when he had the opportunity to perform without the distractions that went on off the field, performed very well. I think you have to keep that in mind when you're evaluating Maurice Clarett. That he is a good football player when his focus is there. And when he's on the field."

## Army hero hopes for chance in NFL

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — When Robert McCune hears football players talk about going to war, he just shakes his head. Three years of Army service taught him that football is a game, war a battle for survival.

McCune lived on military bases in five states and was deployed to South Korea and Kuwait. He's heard the crackle of nearby gunfire and camped on a roof during a monsoon. He spent days refueling military vehicles and free moments lifting a 50-pound rock.

McCune endured it all so he could keep playing football. His Army buddies found that funny.

"I told them that after this I was going to go to college and get my degree, I was going to play football, and they laughed," he said.

Now the linebacker might be close to playing in the NFL. McCune, among the 332 players invited to this year's combine, will be 26 by the time of the April draft, and he might be the oldest player selected.

"If the guy is a real good football player, you don't worry about it," Houston

Texans general manager Charley Casserly said. "If he's in the development stage, it becomes a concern."

McCune wasn't even offered a Division I-A scholarship when he graduated from LeFlore High School in Mobile, Ala. He earned a spot on the Louisville team as a walk-on and finished with 320 career tackles. Some scouts wonder if the 6-foot, 245-pound McCune is big enough to play inside linebacker, but no one has questioned his commitment or work ethic.

"You assume he has a character that's very high, and that's very important to all of us," Tennessee coach Jeff Fisher said. "People who not only can avoid off-field problems, but who can be productive like that are very valuable."

McCune had hoped to play in college at Alabama or Auburn. The only offers came from places like Alabama A&M, Alabama State, Southern University and Grambling.

So McCune joined the Army in 1997 and quickly started moving. During the next three years, he lived in Fort Lee, Va.; Fort Stewart, Ga.; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Knox, Ky.; and Fort Irwin, Calif. The arduous training regimen included 4-mile runs, pushups and situps.

"My plan was to go into the military and walk on at some Division I school."

Robert McCune  
linebacker

## New coverage rules favor speedy cornerbacks

NFL policy protecting wideouts from tight play will impact draft

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Grab that receiver and hold on tight.

That's how cornerbacks covered wideouts in the NFL before last season. Then, after outrage over the way New England's defenders mugged Indianapolis' receivers in the 2003 AFC title game, officials were instructed to strictly interpret the no-contact coverage rules.

They did, and it worked well last season, not exactly hamper-

ing the Patriots, either, as they won their third Super Bowl in four years.

The upsurge in illegal-contact penalties had a side effect, because cornerbacks heading to the pros had to make a significant adjustment in their techniques. It will affect this year's draft crop, as well.

"It's different, because you can't beat them up and down the field like you used to," said Miami's Antrell Rolle, generally rated the top cornerback this year. "But that just means you have to be physical in the first five yards."

Rolle says that's no problem.

"For me," he added Sunday at the NFL combine, "I don't think

it's a major adjustment because I try to do the majority of my damage at the line of scrimmage anyway."

He'd better do it there. Even though most of the cornerback prospects can run with anyone — including the Randy Mosses and Chad Johnsons of the NFL — they need to upgrade their fundamentals before heading off to the pros.

There is no contact at the combine or at pro workouts. So scouts and personnel directors must go by the college tapes, where coverage rules and interpretations are different.

Has the premium for cornerbacks in the draft diminished?

"Maybe the type of cornerbacks

being taken has changed," Falcons general manager Rich McKay said. "It may change what trait they bring to the table. The trait of grab and pull and throw the receiver to the ground, hopefully that has been devalued."

What carries the most worth these days, as always, is speed and quickness on the corner. Size is an issue, too, because Titans coach Jeff Fisher points out, most wideout prospects are taller and heavier than the cornerbacks who must cover them.

"You always have to look for bigger cornerbacks to match up with elite receivers," he said.

The best of this year's group are Rolle, Adam "Pacman" Jones of West Virginia, Carlos Rogers of

Auburn, Brandon Browner of Oregon State and Dustin Fox of Ohio State.

None of them believes it's a huge leap in style of play from college to pro.

"I'm a physical guy, and you can put a hand on a guy the first five yards," Rogers said. "Then I have the speed to run with him."

The biggest difference, of course, is the quality of who they have to cover. Wide receiver is the deepest and strongest position in the league. Guys like Rogers or Rolle or Jones played against top-level pass catchers in college, but rarely did they see one every week. In the pros, they might see more than one each week.

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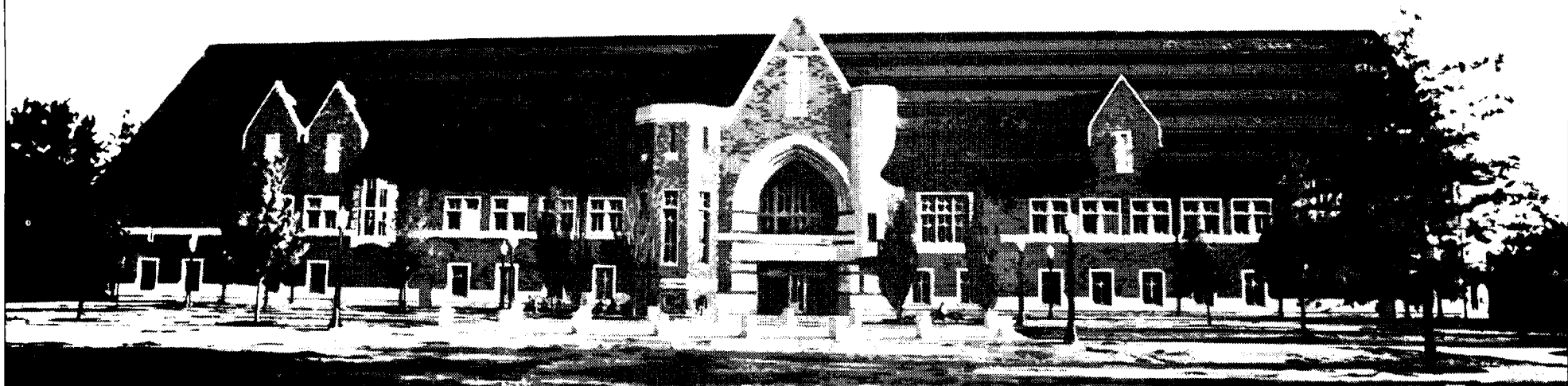
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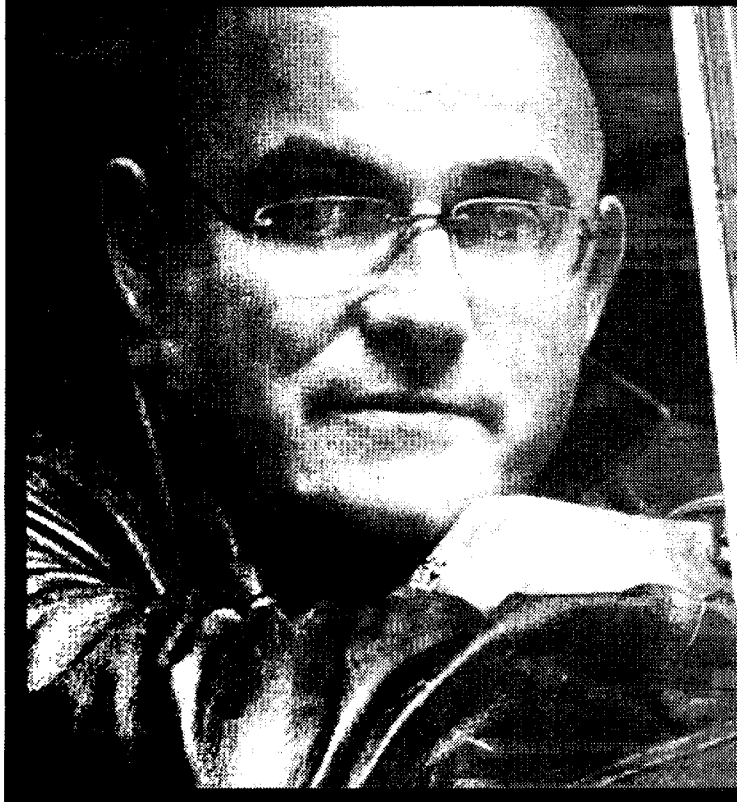
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	team	record	points
1	Illinois (31)	28-0	775
2	North Carolina	24-3	742
3	Kentucky	22-3	691
4	Wake Forest	24-4	673
5	Boston College	23-2	648
6	Duke	21-4	579
7	Kansas	21-4	555
8	Oklahoma State	20-5	542
9	Louisville	24-4	524
10	Washington	23-4	499
11	Arizona	24-5	480
12	Michigan State	20-5	431
13	Gonzaga	22-4	376
13	Syracuse	24-5	376
15	Utah	24-4	354
16	Connecticut	19-6	276
17	Pacific	23-2	272
18	Charlotte	21-4	226
19	Alabama	21-6	210
20	Oklahoma	21-6	184
21	Cincinnati	22-6	175
22	Villanova	19-6	135
23	Wisconsin	18-7	125
24	Pittsburgh	18-7	86
25	Southern Illinois	24-6	43

## Women's College Basketball AP Top 25

	team	record	points
1	LSU (45)	25-1	1,125
2	Stanford	25-2	1,061
3	Ohio State	2-3	976
4	North Carolina	24-3	920
5	Tennessee	23-4	915
6	Duke	26-3	909
7	Baylor	23-3	887
8	Michigan State	25-3	881
9	Rutgers	22-5	796
10	NOTRE DAME	24-4	746
11	Texas	19-7	618
12	DePaul	24-3	603
13	Texas Tech	21-5	568
14	Connecticut	19-7	534
15	Minnesota	22-6	500
16	Temple	22-3	462
17	Kansas State	20-6	344
18	Vanderbilt	21-6	331
19	N.C. State	20-6	314
20	Iowa State	21-5	257
21	Georgia	21-8	216
22	Boston College	18-8	164
23	Penn State	18-9	148
24	Gonzaga	25-2	106
25	Maryland	18-8	63

## Fencing Coaches' Association Rankings

Women's	Men's
1 Ohio State	1 Ohio State
2 NOTRE DAME	2 Penn State
3 Penn State	3 St. John's (NY)
4 Harvard	4 NOTRE DAME
5 Columbia	5 Columbia
6 Northwestern	6 Princeton
7 St. John's (NY)	7 Penn
8 Penn	8 Harvard
9 Princeton	9 Stanford
10 Temple	10 Air Force

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Saint Joseph's at George Washington, 7 p.m., ESPN2

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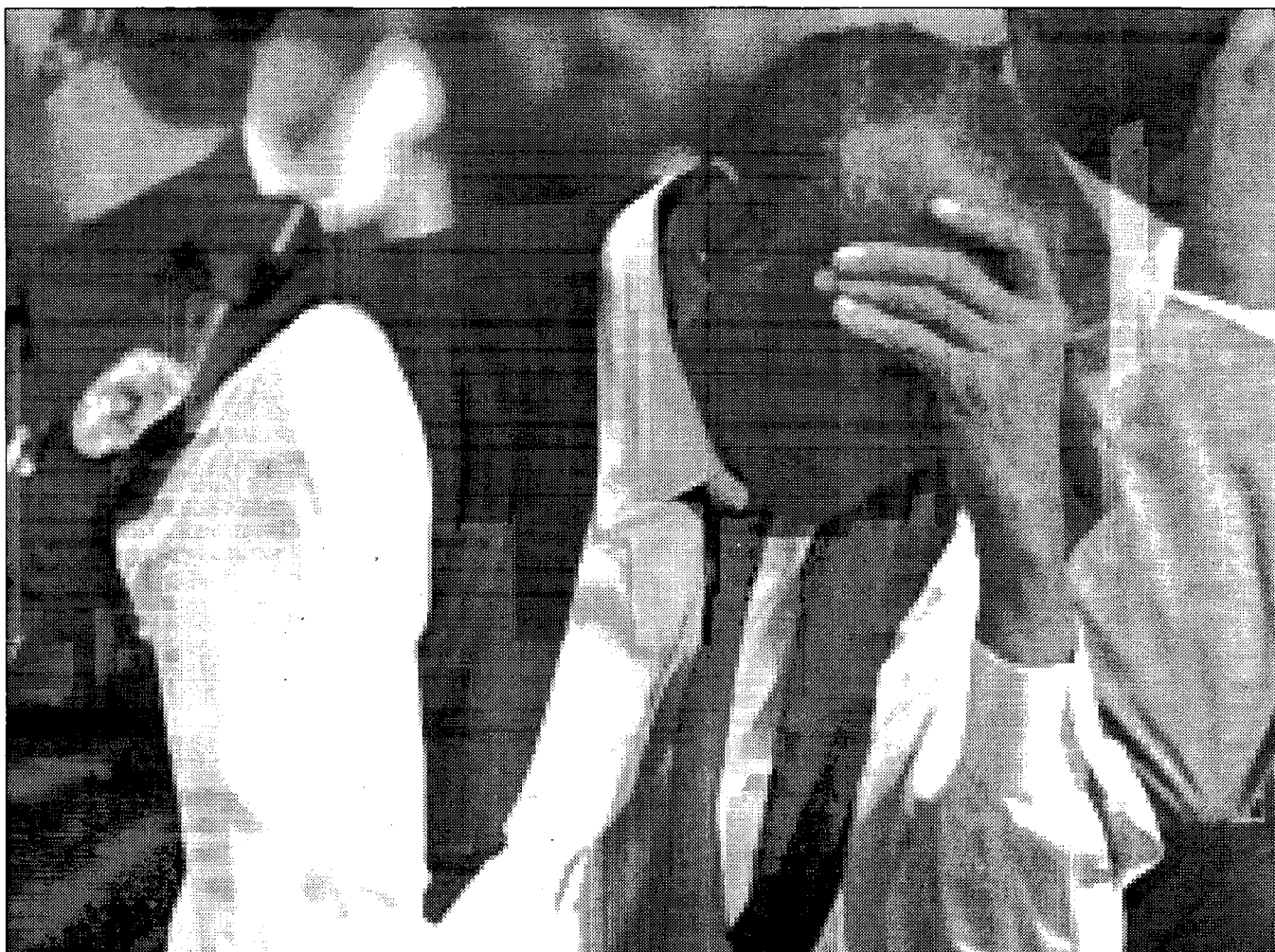
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## MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL



Temple coach John Chaney has suspended himself for the upcoming Atlantic 10 Tournament. In a game last week, Chaney encouraged hard fouls that led to a broken arm for a St. Joseph's player.

## Chaney suspends himself for A-10 tournament

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Temple's John Chaney will not coach in the Atlantic 10 tournament, part of a self-imposed punishment for ordering rough play by one of his players in a recent game that resulted in an opponent's injury.

The Hall of Fame coach was already suspended by the school for the final three games of the regular season. Chaney sent in a player he described as a "goon" against Saint Joseph's last week, and Hawks' senior John Bryant wound up with a broken arm.

Chaney had sent

Nehemiah Ingram in to "send a message" over what he said was Saint Joseph's use of illegal screens.

The Hawks and Owls could have met in the A-10 tournament.

"I believe the fair thing is for me not to coach during the Atlantic 10 championship tournament in Cincinnati," the 73-year-old Chaney said in a statement Monday. "John Bryant is unable to play in the tournament because of the injury he sustained last week against Temple. Neither should I be able to coach."

Saint Joseph's athletic director Don DiJulia

declined to comment to The Associated Press on Monday.

Chaney had apologized to Bryant and his family and offered to pay his medical bills. Chaney originally suspended himself for one game before the extent of Bryant's injury was known.

When an MRI on Friday showed Bryant had a broken arm, Temple suspended Chaney for the final two games of the regular season.

"I never intended — nor did any of my players intend — for anyone to be injured, regardless of what may have been said emotionally before, during and after the game," Chaney

said. "But the unfortunate fact is that John Bryant was injured. I have taken full responsibility for my words and actions, and have apologized from my heart."

Chaney apologized again in his statement Monday to Bryant, both schools and the conference.

"Last week, my words and actions were wrong, wrong, wrong," he said.

Chaney is still coaching the Owls at practice, though he won't attend any of their games. Assistant Dan Leibovitz is coaching the team.

The Owls (14-11, 10-6) clinched a tie for second place in the Atlantic 10 East Division.

## IN BRIEF

### Irwin comes from behind to win Outback Pro-Am

LUTZ, Fla. — When one aspect of Hale Irwin's game isn't working, he simply turns to another.

"I feel in my heart I have several 'A' games," he said.

Irwin, the career victory leader on the Champions Tour, finished a second-round 68 Monday to slip past Morris Hatalsky and win the rain-delayed Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am by one shot.

"It wasn't spectacularly played golf. ... I didn't drive the ball well and I certainly didn't putt all that well, but I did what I had to do when I had to do it," he said. "Maybe the bottom line to that is experience."

Taking advantage of improved weather, which made the TPC of Tampa Bay course less demanding than the previous three days, Irwin played his remaining 12 holes in 2 under to end with a 36-hole total of 8-under 134.

### Venus Williams falls in first round of Dubai Open

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Venus Williams struggled with a blister on her right palm and lost in the first round for the first time in four years, beaten by Italy's Silvia Farina Elia 7-5, 7-6 (6) in the Dubai Women's Open on Monday.

Williams' previous first-round ouster was to Barbara Schett at the 2001 French Open. She also lost her opening match at Moscow in October 2002 to Magdalena Maleeva but after a first-round bye.

Farina Elia had lost all nine of her previous matches to Williams since 1997. Williams, seeded fifth, made 66 unforced errors in a match lasting 2 hours, 4 minutes.

"It would normally have been a quick match," she said. "She really doesn't have the weapons to hurt me. The blister was really a factor. I just couldn't serve well and I just couldn't keep the balls in."

### MLB plans to begin steroid testing Thursday

NEW YORK — Testing under baseball's new drug agreement will start Thursday, according to the commissioner's office.

Lawyers for players and owners have been drafting the deal since they announced the agreement for tougher testing on Jan. 13.

"We're going to be in the camps testing starting the third of March; and I expect the language to be wrapped up in the next couple of days," Rob Manfred, management's executive vice president for labor relations, said Monday.

Michael Weiner, the union's general counsel, said the sides hoped to complete the drafting before the testing starts. The deal replaces the agreement that began in September 2002.



## NBA

## Knicks recover to defeat Lakers in overtime, 117-115

*New York holds on to win despite LA's comeback attempt*

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Tim Thomas scored a season-high 35 points, and the New York Knicks recovered after blowing a 10-point lead in the final 46 seconds of regulation to defeat the Los Angeles Lakers 117-115 in overtime Monday night.

The victory was the third straight for the Knicks, matching their longest winning streak of the season. New York remained in last place in the Atlantic Division but pulled within five games of the first-place Boston Celtics.

Kobe Bryant forced overtime by making a 3-pointer with 4.4 seconds left in regulation, but he couldn't come up with another big play at the end.

The Lakers had a chance for the final shot, but Bryant passed to Luke Walton on the left side of the key, and Walton tossed the ball back to Bryant rather than taking a shot. Bryant wasn't expecting the pass and fumbled it briefly — just enough time for Kurt Thomas to recover and block Bryant's look at the basket.

Bryant tried to dribble a few steps away for a buzzer-beater, but the clock ran out. He spiked the ball to the ground and shot an angry glance at Walton as the Knicks celebrated.

Michael Sweetney tied his career high with 19 points and grabbed a career-high 12 rebounds, and Kurt Thomas had 15 points and 12 rebounds as New York's front line dominated.

Bryant had 30 points, eight assists, five rebounds and seven turnovers, and Lamar Odom had 26 points and 15 rebounds for the Lakers.

Tim Thomas shot 13-for-19, including 4-for-5 from 3-point range, and topped 30 points for the first time this season as the Knicks won at home for the fifth straight time.

Los Angeles has lost three in a row.

The Lakers opened a 115-111 lead midway through overtime on a three-point play by Bryant, but they didn't score again. Marbury's layup was goaltended by Odom with 1:10 left, and Jamal Crawford came up with a steal while guarding Chucky Atkins.

Marbury missed a shot and Kurt Thomas missed a putback, but Tim Thomas converted a tip-in to tie it. Bryant lost control of the ball on the Lakers' next possession, and Marbury was fouled on the perimeter by Atkins with 12.1 seconds remaining. Marbury made both foul shots for a 117-115 lead, setting up the Lakers' final possession.

Atkins scored 11, Bryant 10 and Odom 10 as the Lakers outscored the Knicks 39-24 in the fourth quarter to force overtime.

Los Angeles came back from a 10-point deficit in the final minute of regulation by hitting four 3-pointers — one each by Atkins, Odom, Butler and Bryant.

The final 3 by Bryant came after Marbury went to the line with 17.8 seconds remaining with a chance to put the Knicks ahead by four. Marbury missed the second of two from the line, and Bryant stuck a 25-footer over Kurt Thomas with 4.4 seconds remaining.

**San Antonio 94, Cleveland 92**

Tim Duncan made a 19-foot jumper just before the final horn sounded, giving the San Antonio Spurs a victory Monday night over the Cleveland Cavaliers, who dropped their third straight.

Duncan missed his first seven shots and didn't score in the game's first 19 minutes. But with the game on the line, he took a pass from Tony Parker, gathered himself and calmly knocked down his shot without a hand in his face.

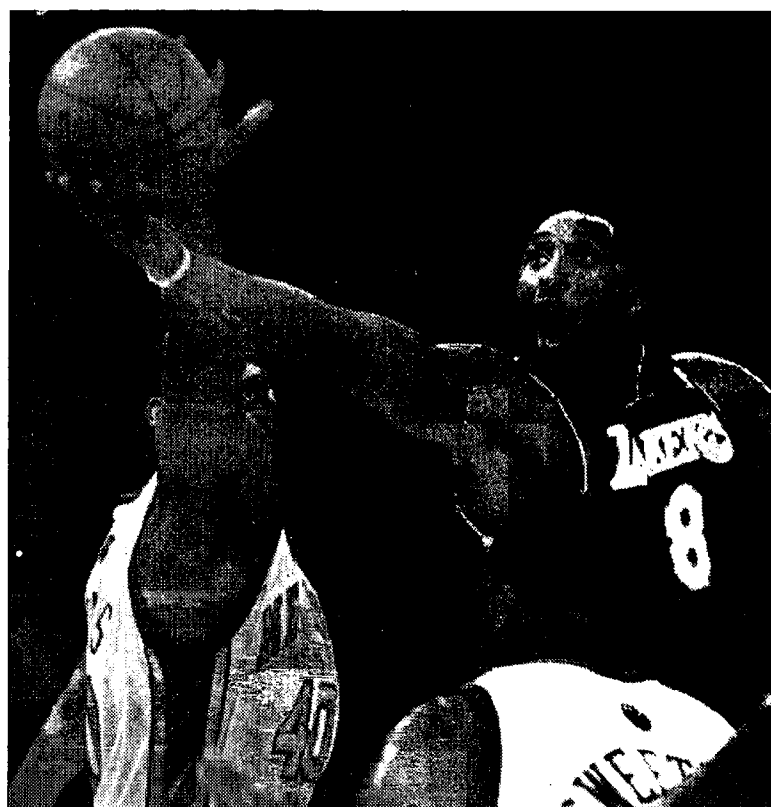
After going 0-for-7, Duncan went 9-for-10 from the floor and added 11 rebounds. Parker added 19 points, eight rebounds and 10 assists — none bigger than his short pass to Duncan after drawing Cavs center Zydrunas Ilgauskas on a pick-and-roll.

Ilgauskas had 26 points and LeBron James finished with 20 points, eight rebounds and seven assists for the Cavaliers, who have lost four of five and are entering a tough stretch of upcoming games.

San Antonio's Manu Ginobili, who finished with 17 points, could have put the Spurs up by four points, but missed a pair of free throws with 19.2 seconds to go.

The Cavaliers called timeout and after an inbounds play, Spurs center Rashaun Nesterovic left Ilgauskas wide open underneath. James whipped a pass to Cleveland's big man, whose dunk tied it 92-92 with 14.2 seconds remaining.

With Duncan setting a pick near the top of the key on Jeff McInnis, Parker dribbled to the right side and when Ilgauskas drifted over, Parker passed the



The Lakers' Kobe Bryant sails between Kurt Thomas and Michael Sweetney of the Knicks in New York's 117-115 win.

ball back to Duncan with more than two seconds left.

Cleveland's defense was late rotating toward Duncan, who had time to set his feet, measure the distance and drill it. San Antonio's bench erupted onto the Gund Arena floor and swarmed Duncan.

The shot silenced the crowd of 18,216, and was a fitting ending to Gordon Gund's ownership of the Cavaliers.

On Tuesday, the team will officially be turned over to Detroit mortgage magnate Dan Gilbert, who paid \$375 million for the NBA franchise. Gund, who bought the Cavs for \$20 million in 1983, will remain a minority owner.

During his 22 seasons with the Cavaliers, Gund's teams were beaten by some big shots, most notably Michael Jordan's buzzer-beater in the 1989 Eastern Conference finals for the Chicago Bulls.

After starting slowly in losses at Indiana and New Jersey, Silas wanted his team to come out with more energy. Cleveland's coaches reinforced the message by writing, "Start with desperation" on the locker room's erasable board.

The Cavaliers followed orders as Ilgauskas scored 13 points in the first quarter, helping Cleveland take a 25-20 lead after one.

**Utah 87, Los Angeles 86**

Mehmet Okur converted a three-point play with 21.7 seconds remaining and the Utah Jazz held on for an win over the Los Angeles when Bobby Simmons missed a layup at the buzzer for the Clippers.

The Jazz won back-to-back games for the first time in a month and a half, but barely.

Keith McLeod could have sealed it for Utah, but missed both free throws with 6.5 seconds remaining. Rick Brunson rushed the ball up the court for the Clippers and the got through the lane to Simmons, who had a good look but the ball bounced off the backboard and rim as the horn sounded.

With the win, Utah's Jerry Sloan passed Dick Motta for seventh in NBA coaching victories with 636.

McLeod had 18 points and eight assists and rookie Kris Humphries pulled down a

career-high 12 rebounds for the Jazz, who hadn't won consecutive games since beating San Antonio and Phoenix Jan. 10 and 12.

Utah hasn't won more than two in a row since opening the season with four straight wins.

Simmons led the Clippers with 17 points, including a 3-pointer to get Los Angeles within a point in the last 10 seconds. Corey Maggette added 16 points for the Clippers.

Raja Bell scored 14, Andrei Kirilenko had 11 points, six assists and four steals and Okur finished with 11 points for Utah. Matt Harpring added 10 points and seven rebounds for the Jazz.

Zeljko Rebraca scored 12 off the bench and Elton Brand had 10 points and eight rebounds for the Clippers, who have won just once in the Delta Center.

Although it was sloppy at times, the game was intense throughout. Neither team led by more than nine and the teams went back and forth with a one-point lead for the first half of the final period.

The Clippers pulled ahead by three twice, but Bell made two free throws and a jumper to give Utah an 82-81 lead that ended up standing through the frenzied finish.

With about a minute left, McLeod tried a dunk and the ball bounced off the rim right to Jarron Collins, who pulled in the rebound and Utah was able to reset the offense and burn more time off the clock.

McLeod let the clock wind down some more and put up a jumper from just inside the 3-point line. He missed, but Bell was there for the rebound, and the Jazz got another new 24 seconds on the shot clock.

After about 20 more seconds McLeod started to drive then fed it to Okur for an off-balance shot that bounced off the rim three times before dropping.

Okur was fouled by Brunson on the play and made the free throw to put Utah up 85-81 with 21.7 seconds remaining.

It looked like the Jazz had the game wrapped up, but Maggette hit a 20-footer to get the Clippers to 85-83, then after McLeod hit two free throws with 11.6 seconds left, Simmons made a 3-pointer to make it 87-86.

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## MLB

# Franco returns to Majors, becomes oldest player

*46-year-old infielder is enjoying spring training with Braves*

Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Julio Franco was hanging out in the Dominican Republic during the offseason, enjoying life with his family. Then that familiar urge struck.

"I got bored," Franco said. "Well, I thought to myself, I might as well start playing a little winter ball."



Franco

So he did. And now, baseball's oldest player is back at spring training with the Atlanta Braves, showing no signs of slowing down — and preparing to make a bit of history at 46.

Retirement isn't even on the radar for Franco, who wants to play until he's 50. There was nothing in his performance last season that would indicate it's time to trade in his bat for a rocking chair — Franco batted .309 with six homers and 57 RBIs, sharing first base with a guy young enough to be his son, 25-year-old Adam LaRoche.

"We have to set goals that we think we can reach," Franco said after Monday's workout. "I think that one's reachable."

Surely if he makes it to 50, he'll be ready to do something else, right? Not necessarily.

"We'll see," Franco said, a mischievous look in his eyes. "You never know what might happen."

According to the Elias Sports Bureau, nobody in major league history has been an everyday position player at the age of 46.

Even back in his native country, Franco hears many of the same questions he gets while playing for the Braves.

"How can you still be doing this?"

"What in the world are you doing?"

Franco always gives the same answer: He's playing for a higher power, which decided to use him as a conduit to show that anything is possible. While he grew up in a religious family, the message didn't really take hold until he was 31 — and already had the reputation as someone who played just as hard off the field as he did on it.

"I never wanted to make a commitment and give myself to God," Franco said. "I made a mistake. I should have done it when I was a little kid. It didn't happen that way, but here I am today, serving the best way I can."

Hitting coach Terry Pendleton, who's two years younger than Franco but retired after the 1998 season, said the secret to his longevity is simple: hand-eye coordination.

"It is better than a lot of 20-year-olds," Pendleton said. "When Julio goes bad, it will be because of his eyes. It's not going to be because of his physical strength. It will be because

he can't see."

Franco's conditioning program is the stuff of legend. His narrow waistline and rock-hard stomach meld into wide shoulders and massive biceps. In fact, some skeptics — former major leaguer Andy Van Slyke among them — have questioned whether it's possible to maintain such a physique at that age through entirely natural means.

Franco has always laughed off that sort of talk, saying he has no need to use performance-enhancing drugs. And no one can doubt his dedication to the game.

"It is amazing," Pendleton said. "The only other guy I thought could do it was Willie McGee. Even late in his career, he still had great hand-eye coordination, and his body weighed about the same as when he came in."

But McGee was done at 40 after an 18-year career.

Franco just keeps on going.

"It's amazing the great shape he keeps himself in," said Brian Jordan, no spring chicken himself as he approaches his 38th birthday. "He's an inspiration."

Jordan, a former NFL player, still remembers his first encounter with Franco, as a rookie outfielder going through spring training with the St. Louis Cardinals in the early 1990s. Before an exhibition game, Franco walked over with Juan Gonzalez.

"I thought a couple of guys from the Dallas Cowboys were visiting camp. That's the kind of shape they were in," Jordan said. "And Julio is still in the same shape."

LaRoche, who platoons with Franco at first base, picked up some valuable off-the-field lessons as a rookie, things such as preparation and staying sharp mentally, even when you're on the bench.

It doesn't hurt to watch how Franco conducts himself at the plate, either.

"I learned from him that you've got to stay within yourself. Period," LaRoche said. "There's a lot of ways to say that, but basically it comes down to this: Don't try to do more than you can do. Don't try to make something out of nothing. That's the biggest key."

Even Jordan, at this late stage of his career, figures he can glean a lesson or two from Franco.

"He's come to a point where he really knows the game," said Jordan, who still has that football mentality. "He doesn't play like I play, going all out for every ball. You've got to pace yourself. Hopefully I can learn from him."

During batting practice, Franco sits atop a bench behind the cage, focusing in on the ball, studying the little nuances of each hitter, doling out subtle bits of advice.

"Stay through it a little longer," he tells second baseman Marcus Giles.

When Giles lines a pitch to left field, he immediately turns to Franco for validation.

"Better?" Giles asks.

"Better," Franco replies.

But when a rookie pops up two straight pitches off the top of the cage, Franco shakes his head in disgust.

## MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

# Panthers pummel Eagles

Associated Press

BOSTON — No. 24 Pittsburgh impressively snapped a three-game losing streak and made sure the Big East race will come down to the final weekend of the regular season.

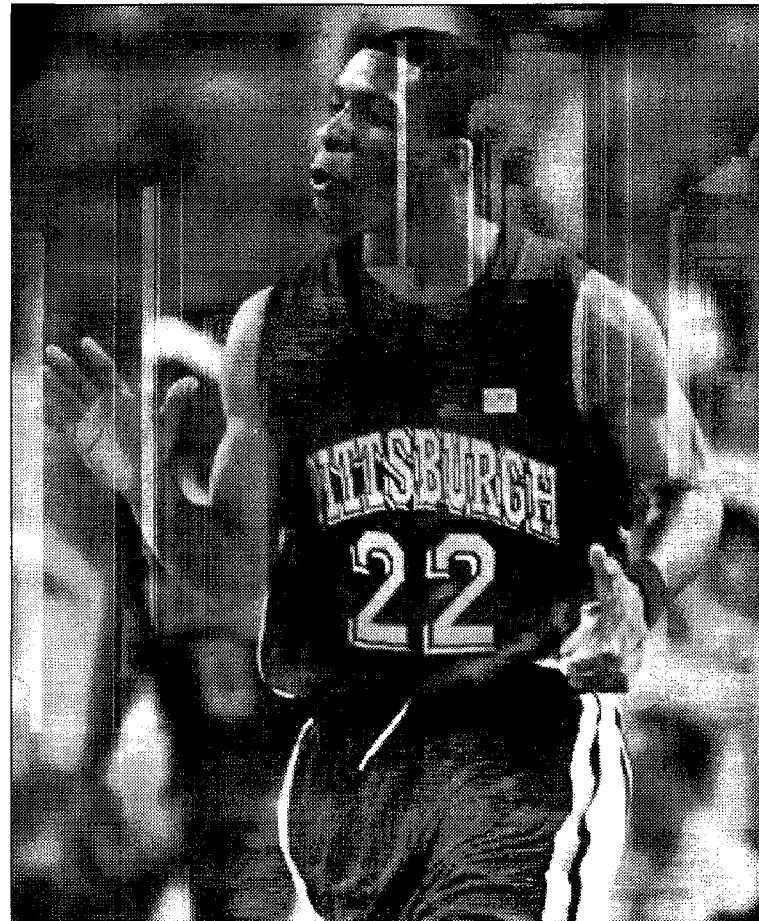
Chris Taft had 12 points and eight rebounds to lead the Panthers to a 72-50 victory over No. 5 Boston College on Monday night. That kept the Eagles, who are leaving for the Atlantic Coast Conference after the season, from clinching a share of the Big East title.

The Eagles (23-3, 12-3) could still win the conference outright or share it if they beat Rutgers on Saturday. No. 15 Connecticut, which is a half-game behind BC, plays Georgetown on Wednesday and No. 13 Syracuse on Saturday.

Antonio Graves scored 13 points and Carl Krauser and John DeGroat each had 10 points and seven rebounds for Pitt (19-7, 9-6), which has beaten Boston College six straight times, including victories in the last three Big East tournaments. Pittsburgh, which had been ranked as high as 10th this season, lost three straight to drop from 17th to 24th in the Associated Press poll.

Craig Smith scored 22 points for BC but, as a sign of the team's failure, airballed a free throw with 5:47 left and the Eagles trailing 59-45. The second shot hit the back of the rim and meekly rolled off.

For BC, the loss was shockingly similar to the one posted by its football team in the Big East finale that knocked it from the lucrative Fiesta Bowl to the Continental Tire Bowl. Like that 47-17 loss to Syracuse, this one



Pittsburgh's Antonio Graves celebrates after nailing a long jumper in the Panthers' 72-50 victory over Boston College.

wasn't even close.

Smith hit a jumper in the lane to make it 34-32 with 17:38 left. But Pittsburgh scored the next 11 points, getting consecutive putbacks from DeGroat to make it 45-32. Pitt outrebounded the Eagles 49-27 overall and outshot them 48 percent to 31 percent. It was BC's lowest offensive output of the season.

Boston College won its first 20 games and attained its highest

ranking ever — No. 3 — before losing two of its last three games. Another sellout crowd came to say goodbye to the senior class and Heisman Trophy winner Doug Flutie jammed with the band, playing the drums on "Johnny B. Good."

BC went 7:19 without scoring while Pitt ran off 11 consecutive points — five from Krauser and four from Chevon Troutman — to take a 16-9 lead.

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Questions? Contact Michael Marshall at [mmarsha2@nd.edu](mailto:mmarsha2@nd.edu) or the Office of the Treasurer at 631-4557.

## NFL

## Tuck gets attention at combine

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Justin Tuck's decision to leave Notre Dame a year early became a lot easier when the Irish fired coach Tyrone Willingham prior to the Insight Bowl in December.

"I think I would have considered coming back a little more if he would have been there, but I don't think that had any bearing as far as my final decision," the defensive end said.

Tuck is taking part at the NFL combine with hopes of improving his draft status.

He is projected as a late first-round or early second-round pick.

Tuck, a senior with one year of college eligibility left, said it was Willingham who helped persuade him to enter the NFL draft.

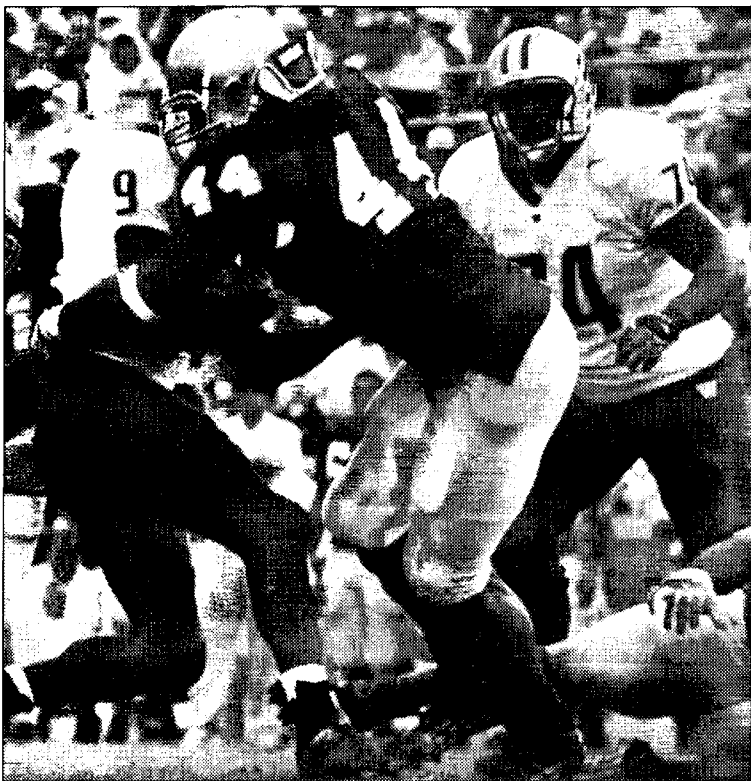
"He told me that I was ready and that the decision came down to me," Tuck said. "He wasn't going to pull me either way."

The last Notre Dame player to leave school early and get picked in the first round was center Jeff Faine, who was taken 21st overall in 2003 by the Cleveland Browns.

"Justin is a good guy, and he plays the way he's supposed to play," said LSU defensive end Marcus Spears, who is expected to be a high first-round pick. "I've seen him play, and he can play the game."

The 6-foot-5, 268-pound Tuck showed his ability to get the quarterback while at Notre Dame. He set the Irish career sack record with 24.5, and he broke the single-season sack record in 2003 with 13.5.

Tuck said he would like to



CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

Former Irish defensive end Justin Tuck, shown here in a 2004 game against Washington, is ready to tackle an NFL career.

play defensive end in the NFL, but he would be willing to move to outside linebacker in a 3-4 defense.

"I would definitely rather play down in a 4-3, but I'm versatile and I can play both," he said. "I played linebacker sometimes this year in different packages that we had. Either way, I'm going to be a steal in the draft."

NFL coaches have varied opinions about players that leave college after three years.

"The top guys will be able to make it, but every year we get X amount of juniors that don't get drafted and they probably won't

make a team," Lions coach Steve Mariucci said. "They can't go back to [college football] and they are far from graduating. There is a risk involved."

Tuck did not specify which events he will take part in at the combine, but he did say it was unlikely he would go through all of them. Defensive ends took physicals on Saturday, weight lifting is scheduled for Sunday and running drills are on Monday.

Tuck has a pro day planned for March 16, where NFL scouts can get a better look at his skills.

## NCAA

## Colleges may lose team scholarships

*More than 400 schools face penalties for poor academic performance*

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — At least one team at half the nation's Division I schools could lose scholarships next year because of poor academic performance, according to a preliminary report released Monday by the NCAA.

Of the 5,720 teams at 328 Division I schools, about 410 teams risk penalties.

"We hope the behavior changes and the number of teams will actually go down over time," NCAA president Myles Brand said in a conference call.

Most of the scholarship losses, which would be for one year, are expected to come in football, baseball and men's basketball.

Those were the only sports with averages below a 925-point outline at which penalties would be assessed. Baseball teams averaged 922, while football and men's basketball were at 923.

The most prominent programs below 700 were the men's basketball teams at Fresno State and Baylor. Fresno State received a 611, while Baylor scored 647 — a figure affected by the transfer of several players after the 2003 shooting death of Patrick Dennehy.

But there immediately were concerns with the scores.

The Houston women's cross country team and the Eastern Michigan men's indoor track team both scored zero, which NCAA officials said might have been because there was only one athlete represented.

Maryland-Baltimore County athletic director Charles Brown said the NCAA miscalculated the score for its men's track team, which scored 600.

Brown said he contacted the NCAA to point out the calculation only included three indoor track athletes — not the 27 that participate in both indoor and outdoor track.

"It's very embarrassing and it hurts our recruiting," Brown said. "It's extremely upsetting that the NCAA released something to the public when they know there are some flaws."

The new calculation gives athletes one point each semester for remaining eligible and another point each semester for staying in school. The points for each team then are divided by the highest possible total of points a team could score. That percentage is assessed a point total, with 1,000 being the highest. Schools scoring below 925, or 92.5 percent, could face penalties.

The NCAA will use a statistical adjustment, similar to the margin of error used in presidential polls, to prevent statistical anomalies for teams with few athletes.

Corrections to the scores are expected to be announced in April. The NCAA also will institute a yet-to-be determined waiver process to avoid penalties.

Schools are expected to be notified by December of the final results, which also include figures from the 2004-05 school year. Programs must take the penalties as early as possible and those that are far below the outline now could take the scholarship loss next fall.

The 2003-04 data only gives schools an indication of how they are doing. Under the new format, NCAA officials hope to improve both academic eligibility and retention of athletes. Stronger penalties, including postseason bans for consistently poor academic performance, are expected to be enforced by the fall of 2008.

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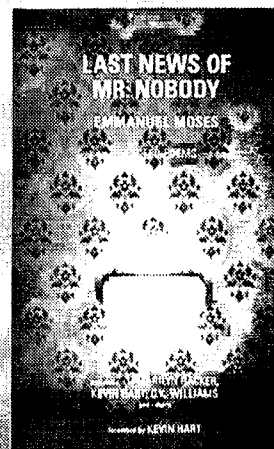
Monday, 3/21

Head Football Coach Charlie Weis, 9p.m. DeBartolo 102  
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**7:30 PM** **"Oklahoma City Bombing: From Rage to Reconciliation"**  
 Bud Welch, daughter killed in Oklahoma City bombing  
*Little Flower Catholic Church, South Bend*

#### 2 WEDNESDAY

**NOON** **National Debate on the Death Penalty**  
 Discussion Panel: Dick Dieter (Death Penalty Info. Center), Madison Hobley (Illinois Exonerated), Bill Pelke (Journey of Hope) & faculty  
*Stanton Lounge, Saint Mary's College*

**4:15 PM** **National Debate on the Death Penalty**  
 Discussion Panel: D. Dieter, M. Hobley, B. Pelke, & faculty  
*Hesburgh Center Auditorium, Notre Dame*

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### PERFORMANCES

#### FEBRUARY 26-MARCH 2

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# Ruthrauff

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mark was set despite being rotated between positions — Ruthrauff has played at first base, shortstop and third base during her Notre Dame career.

Ruthrauff might not be the best overall hitter on the team, but it's hard to find a player who is more well-rounded.

On a team that features a national player of the year candidate in Ciolli, Ruthrauff has still done plenty to prove her worth to the Irish. In 2003, she was named a member of the Big East all-rookie team as well as a starter on the all-conference team. She repeated that all-Big East honor in 2003, joining six fellow Notre Dame teammates.

Ruthrauff is one of several Irish players from the state of California and was a prep superstar for La Serna High School in Whittier, helping her team win two Division III state championships. While at La Serna, Ruthrauff set the school records for batting average and hits in a season.

It was Notre Dame's atmosphere that led Ruthrauff to leave

the sun of California for the harsh winters of Northeast Indiana.

"There's just something special about this place," she said. "When I took my recruiting trip up here, I realized right away that the people were friendlier and the campus just had this special feeling that I didn't sense from any of the other schools I visited."

"I really think it's one of those things Notre Dame has that separates it from the other universities."

Despite starting the season 5-6, albeit against several highly-ranked teams, Ruthrauff believes her team will prove itself to be a formidable force this season because of its close-knit teammates.

"The camaraderie on this team is stronger than it's ever been," she said. "I think that we treat each other like sisters, whether we win or lose, and that's really going to be a big help for us when we go into the postseason this year."

You can be sure that Ruthrauff will do her part to make sure the Irish win more than they lose.

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## CLUB SPORTS

# Water polo sweeps weekend

Special to the Observer

The women's water polo club swept all four opponents this weekend, defeating Western Michigan, 15-2, and Eastern Michigan, 15-1 on Saturday. They then topped Grand Valley State, 15-4, and Eastern Michigan 14-3, in a rematch on Sunday. The club is preparing for its trip to Cal San Bernardino, to challenge both the top clubs and some varsity teams in California.

### Equestrian

The ND/SMC Equestrians competed in a pair of IHSA shows this weekend at Taylor University, claiming third on Saturday with 31 points, and scoring 33 points on Sunday. These results all but guaranteed the Irish will be crowned Regional champions and will qualify for the Zones championships. In Saturday's competition, Caitlin Landuyt earned High Point honors as the day's top scorer among all teams.

Landuyt claimed first in intermediate fences, with Andrea Oliverio second and Molly Schmieg sixth. Landuyt and Oliverio tied for second in intermediate flat, with teammates Chelsea Brown third, Catherine Linn fifth and Schmieg sixth.

Claire Freeman posted a first in open flat to lead a strong Irish score as Katie Baron placed second, and Kelly Ostberg, Oliverio and Molly Kopacz all tied for third. Baron also took second in open fences.

Kristen LaSota, Marta Ascadi, and Megan Murphy all finished first in their class of novice flat, with Hayden Piscal third, Brittany Gragg fourth and Lauren Croall sixth. Murphy also placed sixth in novice fences. Katy Booth earned a second in walk-trot-canter, followed by Laura Hale and Heather LaDue, both in fifth. Nicole Gansalves claimed second in walk-trot.

In action Sunday, Katie Baron garnered first in open fences. Claire Freeman placed second in open flat, with Molly Kopacz third, Baron, Kelsey Ostberg, and Andrea Oliverio all in fourth, and Julia Burke at fifth. Molly Schmieg took sixth in intermediate fences, the only Irish rider to score in the event.

Caitlin Landuyt took another first for the weekend in intermediate flat, with Chelsea Brown placing second. Schmieg was fourth, followed by Ana Richter and Catherine Linn in fifth. Mary Dorgant and Hayden Piscal tied for second in novice fences, with Megan Murphy fifth. Murphy and

Kristen LaSota shared first in novice flat, Dorgant and Piscal tied for third, with Brittany Gragg fourth and Katy Ryan fifth. Heather LaDue won first in walk-trot-canter, followed by Katy Booth in fourth and Laura Hale fifth. Nicole Gansalves finished third in walk-trot.

### Gymnastics

The Irish Gymnastics team traveled to Bloomington to compete in Indiana's Big Red Invitational this weekend.

The Irish women were led by Caitlin O'Brien, who finished first on floor, sixth on vault and fifth in all-around competition. Wendy Jo Svetanoff also placed for the Irish with a fifth-place finish on beam. Also contributing for the Irish women were Mary Blazewicz, Cecilia Torres, and Cigi Low. Purdue, Indiana, and Virginia Tech took the top three in team standings.

Brian Dunn and Paul Kane were the lone Irish representatives in men's competition, which was won by Triton, with Purdue and Virginia Tech placing second and third. The Irish will return to competition on April 2, when they host the Clover Classic at Gymnastics Michiana.

### Men's Volleyball

The Men's Volleyball team traveled to Northern Illinois University this weekend

to wrap up the second half of their conference regular season and to compete in the conference championship. The Irish fell to 0-8 in conference play last year and were determined to return to the upper echelons of conference play. They accomplished that and more with a 6-3 conference record and a strong tournament showing.

The Irish opened with a sweep of Northern Illinois, 25-20, 25-22 behind the strong play of opposite hitter Mike Giampa. Their next match was against University of Illinois at Chicago, who extended the Irish to three games. But the Irish prevailed in the third game to post a 25-23, 23-25, 15-7 victory. The Irish then finished their conference season with a big win against University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee 25-18, 25-20. A very strong rookie class, including defensive specialist John Tibble, setter Nolan Kane, and outside hitters Dan Ziblon and Drew Williams, complimented veterans like Giampa and middle hitters Dan Parziale, Joe O'Connell and Ryan Goes.

The Irish earned a fourth place seed and first round bye in the conference tournament by upsetting three ranked

teams in their conference. The tournament, however, ended early in a tough three-game match with fifth seed Ball State. Despite beating No. 22 Ball State in two games during the regular season the Irish could not pull off the quarterfinal victory, dropping a tough three game match 17-25, 25-20, 11-15. The Irish continue tournament play next weekend at Indiana University, in the 32-team Hoosier-Illini classic, the biggest tournament of the year before the national championships in March.

### Skating

Marquette, Mich. hosted the Regional championships this weekend, as both varsity and club teams from 23 schools competed to advance to the Nationals. Notre Dame's women finished ninth, while the men took 12th in the field. Finishing in the top five in women's competition were St. Olaf, Minnesota Deluth, Northern Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin. In men's results, Michigan Tech, St. Olaf's, Michigan Deluth, Minnesota and St. Thomas claimed the top five spots.

Danielle Clements finished 32nd in individual slalom standings, followed by teammates Lauren Dacey, 42nd; Sarah Rauvenhorst, 67th, and Rita Morgan, 68th. Senior co-captain Joe Payne turned in the men's best slalom performance, finishing 33rd. Brian Hedges was next at ninth, with senior co-captain Bill Leimkuehler, seventh, Jason Luecht, 90th, and Alex Gloeckner, 93rd in a field of more than 100 racers. This concludes the season for the Irish.

### Women's Ice Hockey

In their last games of the season, the women's ice hockey club traveled to Ann Arbor to face Michigan this weekend. Despite Friday's 9-0 loss to the Wolverines, the Irish women came out full of energy in their game

Saturday night, scoring 5 goals in the 9-5 loss to Michigan. In their last games for the team, seniors Annemarie Kennedy and Tori Blainey each scored in the first period, with Blainey rifling in a second goal during the second-period. Sophomore Julia LaPointe added two goals to the effort. Senior Nell

Ryan led the team with her defensive efforts, but in the end, Michigan was too deep and experienced for the Irish. Senior Captain Angelina Zehrbach commended the team for their performance and intensity in both games.



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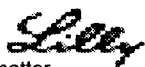
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## Bouts

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in a split decision. Whiting fought well, but took too many of Hagan's jabs in the face.

Sophomore Mike Rooney came out swinging right from the opening bell against Brian "The Southern Gun" Wierson. Wierson must have been shooting blanks, as he couldn't seem to stall Rooney's attack. Wierson was given a standing eight-count early in the second round and was also sent to his corner twice to stop a

nosebleed that kept coming back throughout the fight. The fight was stopped and the decision awarded to Rooney just 1:22 into the second round. Rooney goes on to face senior Galen Loughrey, who had a bye.

### 160 pounds

Joe Christorforetti, a law student, showed that prospective lawyers don't always need to use rhetoric and legal precedents to settle their disputes. He garnered a unanimous decision in his bout against sophomore Kevin "Captain of the Starship Enterprise" Henderman. Henderman started strong but couldn't get his fists

back up to warp speed in the third round, when Christorforetti took over for good. Christorforetti will next take on junior Mark Basola, who earned a bye into the quarterfinals.

Adam "The Steel Ghost" Burns, one of the few southpaws in the competition, took a decision from Conor "Con-man" McEvily with a series of ferocious left hooks. Burns will face law student Billy "Excuses" Henderman, who defeated freshman Hunter Land in an absolute brawl of a fight that brought the crowd to its feet. The fight was stopped numerous times as both boxers were bleeding by

the second round.

Preston "The Punching Idahoan" Carter took a unanimous decision over Dan "You're Only Going to Hear My Nickname Once" Olson. Olson recovered from a trip in the first round, but his late charge wasn't enough to take out Carter. Carter will now face junior Daniel Liem, who made quick work of senior Kevin Loria. Liem managed to knock Loria down twice, forcing the referee to give Loria two separate standing eight-counts, one each in the second and third rounds. The fight was stopped 24 seconds into the third round.

Tim "The Nevada Nailer"

Uhalde won a unanimous decision over Sean Wieland. Wieland tripped in the first round, but recovered to put up a challenge for the more experienced Uhalde. Uhalde goes on to the quarterfinals to face Bobby "The Polish Pistol" Gorynski. Gorynski managed to force Stephen Barbera to take two standing eight-counts within the first ten seconds of the second round. The fight was stopped and awarded to Gorynski just 15 seconds into the second round.

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## Fights

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rounds. Bezouska responded to a fan's request to "do it for Marissa Cooper" by advancing to Thursday's quarterfinals, using his quick footwork to subdue Cea.

In a unanimous decision by the five judges, junior Mike McCann beat senior Kevin "My Last Name Means Laxative" Rycyna. McCann, an off-campus resident, put Rycyna, from Keenan, on the ropes early and used strong right hooks that outmatched Rycyna's quick jabs. Rycyna went on the offensive in the third round but by the bell had failing fists of exhaustion.

Sophomore Michael "My Real Name is Meri" Hennig won by RSC 35 seconds into round two against junior Tim Jaeger in the last Lightweight match of the day. Hennig knocked Jaeger into the corner early on. In the second round, Hennig's left hook knocked Jaeger to the canvas, and later a Hennig combo put Jaeger down again before the referee called the fight.

Senior Timothy "The Irish Frenzy" McKenzie won by default, as his match against sophomore James "Toaster" Russell was forfeited.

### 150 pounds

At the 150-pound Welterweight division, freshman Patrick O'Brien outlasted sophomore Greg "Busta" Brown in a split decision. O'Brien landed right hooks throughout the fight, and despite Brown's offensive late in the third round, O'Brien's power was too much.

Sophomore Zach "Phat Qunka" Jara unanimously beat Kevin "Big Red" Martin. Jara initiated punches throughout the fight, showing quicker footwork and better balance that avoided some of Martin's big but off-balanced swings — almost knocking Martin down in round three.

Law student Guillermo "Mighty Memo" Tijerina defeated freshman Craig Panzica in a split decision. Tijerina's big, open punches made Panzica play defense early on. Although Panzica used his arm reach to fight off Tijerina's wild attacks and get his own hits, Tijerina's offense never ceased.

In unanimous fashion, sophomore Brian Tyrrell beat freshman Jesse "The Brawler" Brawer. Tyrrell bloodied Brawer's nose in the first round and, though often on defense, stayed disciplined to record nice head and body shots. Tyrrell reopened Brawer's wound later in the match, out-reaching Brawer's punches. Though Brawer came on strong in the third round, forcing Tyrrell into the ropes and almost knocking him down, the early damage was too much for Brawer to overcome.

### 155 pounds

The 155-pound Super Welterweight class featured the quickest fight of the night, as sophomore Chris Calderone overwhelmed junior John Townsend in an RSC, when Townsend failed to respond to the referee's standing eight count at the end of the first round. Calderone landed a punishing series of left-handed jabs and hooks to Townsend's head before the fight was called.

Sophomore Bryan "The Mongoose" Grissinger defeated

senior Brad Amiri by unanimous decision. Grissinger's constant display of aggressive jabs set up his attack against Amiri, who spent all three rounds trying to setup his big right hand. Although Amiri landed one shot that drew "Mongoose" blood, it was not enough to stop Grissinger.

MBA student and southpaw Brian Weldon overcame senior Joseph "Sweet Pea" Schuppig in an RSC 58 seconds into the third round. Weldon's left hand delivered big punches early on, as Schuppig wildly fought off Weldon and the two traded blows for a while. Weldon's hooks finally fatigued Schuppig, who failed to block his exposed face before the referee stopped the contest minutes after Weldon knocked Schuppig to the floor.

Sophomore Stephen "Wiggles" Hutchings beat sophomore Ryan "Seoul Man" Smith who, indeed, hails from Seoul, South Korea. Hutchings, who was in control most of the fight, effectively used his longer arm reach to deliver his own jabs and block Smith's efforts en route to a unanimous victory.

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## Pirates

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right now, so I'm anxious to keep playing."

And while the Irish are red-hot, the Pirates have struggled lately. Seton Hall lost its third in a row and fourth in five games Saturday at Syracuse. The Pirates shot just 18.5 percent in the first half, connecting on only five field goals, en route to the 51-38 loss.

The Pirates are led by senior swing player Ashley Bush, who averages 13 points and 8.3 rebounds per game. Sophomore forward Monique Blake also has solid numbers, averaging 11.3

points and 7.6 rebounds per game, while registering 1.52 blocks per game as well.

The last time these two teams met on Jan. 2, Seton Hall was at the peak of its season, with two of its three losses coming at the hands of ranked teams. Notre Dame won that matchup, its Big East opener, with a 54-33 margin, but since then the Pirates have struggled offensively — averaging just 43.2 points per game in their last five games, and scoring above the 50-point mark just once, against lowly Providence.

Tipoff is 7 p.m. at Walsh Gymnasium in South Orange, N.J.

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Megan Duffy drives to the hoop against Boston College Feb. 2. Duffy is averaging 11.7 points per game.



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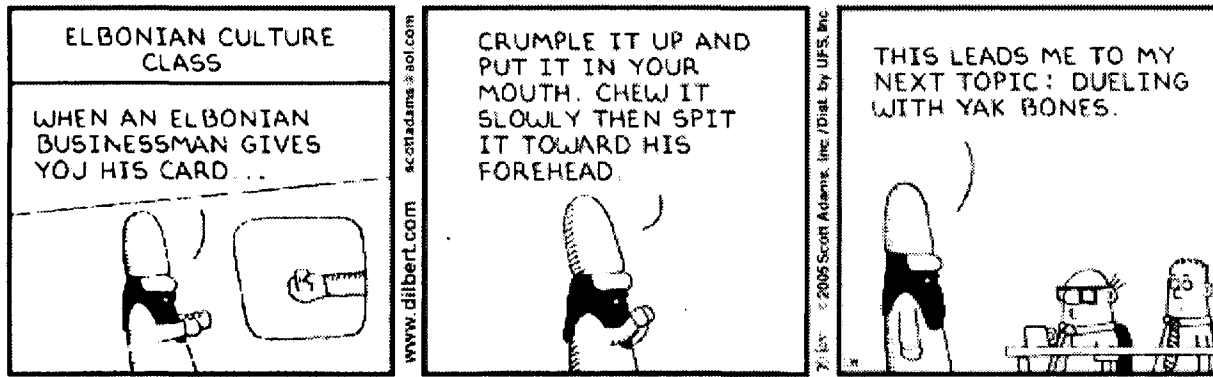
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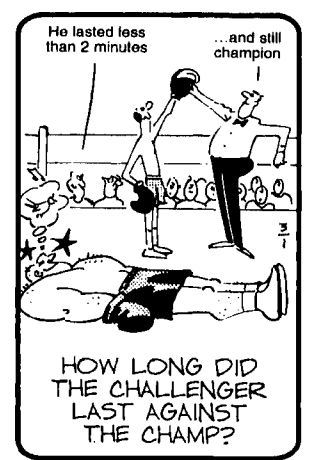
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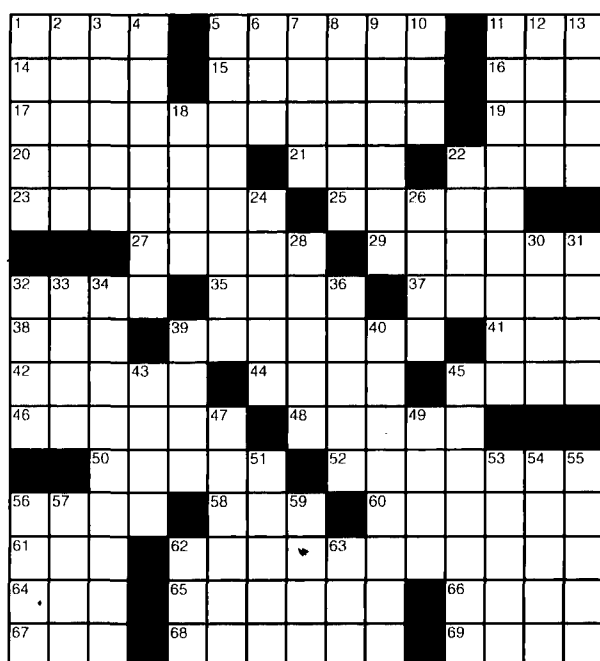
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- ACROSS**
- 1 "Qué \_\_\_?"
  - 5 1970's White House name
  - 11 Revolutionary Guevara
  - 14 Often
  - 15 There are eight in a cup
  - 16 \_\_\_ Luthor, of "Superman"
  - 17 Evangelist and friend of presidents
  - 19 \_\_\_ pro nobis
  - 20 1956 Elvis hit that went to #2
  - 21 Sun. talk
  - 22 Mil. weapon that can cross an ocean
  - 23 Some short plays
  - 25 Nosh
  - 27 French composer Erik
  - 29 Turned sharply
  - 32 Diplomat's asset
  - 35 "Tickle me" guy
  - 37 Parenthetical comment
  - 38 Part of H.R.H.
  - 39 Word that can follow the ends of 17- and 62-Across and 11- and 34-Down
  - 41 Break a commandment
  - 42 On \_\_\_ (winning)
  - 44 Vaccines
  - 45 Understands
  - 46 "Forget about it!"
  - 48 Art supporter
  - 50 Words of agreement
  - 52 German thoroughfare
  - 56 Huck Finn's transport
  - 58 Digital readout, for short
  - 60 Walk nonchalantly
  - 61 \_\_\_ Baba
  - 62 Takes no chances
  - 64 Word with pool or port
  - 65 Go back to a favorite book
  - 66 Pitcher
  - 67 Language suffix
  - 68 Antsy
  - 69 Some cameras, for short
- DOWN**
- 1 Picasso or Casals
  - 2 "March comes in like \_\_\_"
  - 3 Figure out
  - 4 As a minimum
  - 5 Energetic one
  - 6 Part of E.U.: Abbr.
  - 7 Genetic molecules
  - 8 Flu symptoms
  - 9 Becomes aware of
  - 10 Mil. award
  - 11 How bidding proceeds in bridge
  - 12 Basil or oregano
  - 13 Midterm, e.g.
  - 18 Gym site, for short
  - 22 Prepares, as Champagne
  - 24 \_\_\_ Marner
  - 26 Banned apple spray
  - 28 Show host
  - 30 Get to work on Time



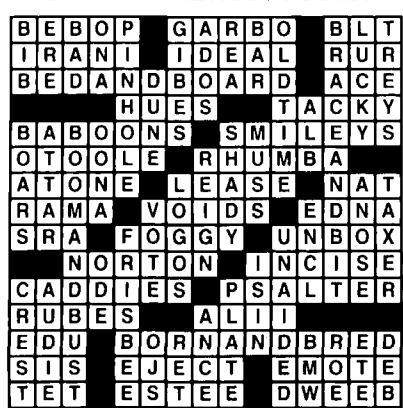
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- 31 TV rooms
- 32 Holier \_\_\_ thou
- 33 Prefix with space
- 34 Dangerous thing to be caught in
- 36 Gumbo vegetables
- 39 Dressed
- 40 First and Second Avenues area, in Manhattan
- 43 Ransack
- 45 Spectacles
- 47 Common allergen
- 49 Part of Q.E.D.
- 51 Words of compassion
- 53 Wrap
- 54 Morley of "60 Minutes"
- 55 Observers
- 56 Preakness, for one
- 57 "Woe is me!"
- 59 Not natural
- 62 In favor of
- 63 Droop

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**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Hard work will pay off today. Do a little extra and you will impress the people around you. Do something nice for someone you like. Nothing will be or should be too much trouble for you. \*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** You may not be aware of the underlying message someone is sending you. Although this can be a rather auspicious day, be aware that not everyone is on your side. Your finesse and fabulous way of doing things will draw envious onlookers. \*\*\*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Don't let anyone get you down. Look beyond the trivial matters going on in your life to all of the good things happening around you. Don't overreact because someone else does. \*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Home is where the heart is, and today you can do something to improve your surroundings and make the ones you love happier. An opportunity to learn something new is present. Listen and ask questions, and you will find the answer to a problem. \*\*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Check out the possibilities of a job or a new way to bring in extra money. Someone will have some interesting suggestions regarding an investment. A relationship that has been going nowhere will begin to open up and change. \*\*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Don't go getting emotional about something that may never even happen. You are over-analyzing the situation you face and thus making matters worse. Put your time and effort into something creative that will spin you in a positive direction. \*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Your secrets must be well-protected. Events that unfold today can bring you great joy and prosperity. The more creative and three-dimensional you are, the more attention you will receive. Don't hold back. \*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You may want to pay very close attention to who is on your side. Help will be available, but only if you are clever in how you handle others. A short trip and new acquaintances bring positive results. \*\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** You can share some of your ideas with people you totally trust, but when it comes to money ventures, keep your thoughts to yourself. Someone may not be as trustworthy as you think. Be prepared to deal with a backstabber. \*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** There is plenty going on in your head. You are jumping from one thing to another. Join forces with someone who can make a difference to your future. Setting trends will be your thing. Don't be afraid to stand out in a crowd. \*\*\*\*\*

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By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN  
Sports Editor

With just one regular season game remaining, Notre Dame needs some help from a fellow Big East team if it wants to win the regular season conference title. The Irish are currently in second place behind No. 9 Rutgers (22-5, 13-2 Big East). To claim a share of the title, Notre Dame needs to beat Seton Hall tonight, and have the Scarlet Knights lose to Villanova.

Regardless of how the Rutgers game turns out, if the Irish defeat Seton Hall (14-12, 6-9 Big East) tonight, Notre Dame will finish in the top two of the Big East for the ninth time in the 10 years Notre

Dame has been a member of the conference.

No. 10 Notre Dame (24-4, 12-3 Big East) is red-hot coming off an 82-57 Saturday afternoon blowout of West Virginia for Senior Day. The Irish have won 11 of their last 12 games coming into tonight's matchup with the Pirates. During this stretch, Notre Dame has been led by senior Teresa Borton.

Borton, named last week's Big East Player of the Week, had 18 points, nine rebounds and five blocks in her home finale Saturday on 8-for-9 shooting. Borton, who has not missed a game in her four years at Notre Dame, was honored Saturday along with fellow senior All-American Jacqueline Batteast. Batteast, who is a midseason candidate for the Naismith Trophy and Women's

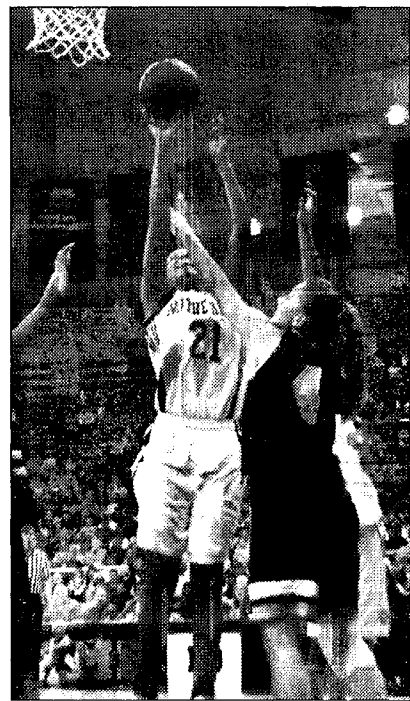
Wooden award, is averaging 17.6 points, 6.5 rebounds and 2.9 assists per game.

"I can't even put into words what Teresa and Jackie mean to me," junior point guard Megan Duffy said. "I don't even want to think about what it's going to be like next year without having my two sidekicks next to me. Their work ethic is something I've always looked up to."

Duffy has run the show this season for the Irish, and is averaging 11.7 points per game and 5.6 assists per game. On Saturday, she had a double-double against West Virginia with 12 points and 10 assists.

"I'm really pleased," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "We don't want to lose our edge

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GEOFF MATTESON/The Observer  
Forward Jackie Batteast shoots a layup against West Virginia.

## BENGAL BOUTS

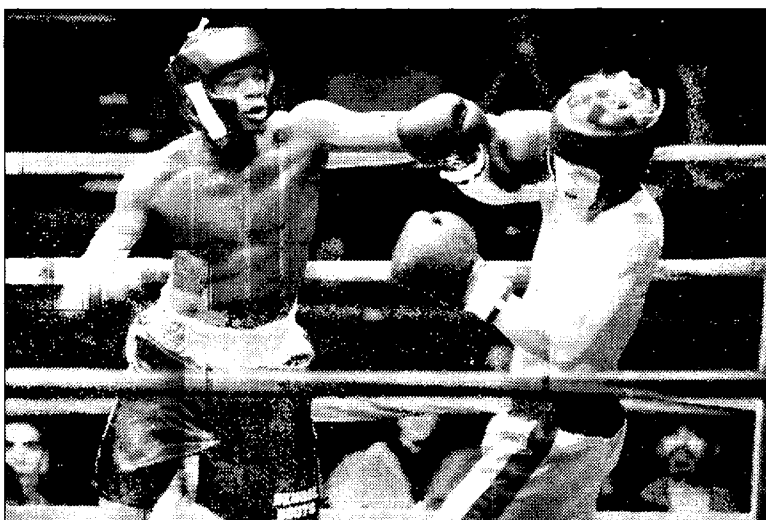
# First punches thrown at this year's Bengal Bouts

*In 155-pound fight, Calderone defeats Townsend easily*

By JOHN EVERETT  
Sports Writer

Chris Calderone, a sophomore with a quick jab, needed little time to come away the victor in a match against John Townsend. The fight was stopped upon the conclusion of the first of three scheduled rounds. Calderone will go on to face Paul "Paulie Walnuts" Hagan, who whacked Drew "Jermaine O'Neal" Whiting

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CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer  
Adam Burns, left, defeated Conor McEvily in Monday night's preliminary round of the 75th Bengal Bouts.

*Lawrence Sully beats Mike Piery, referee stops contest in third*

By TIM DOUGHERTY  
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The first day of preliminary rounds for the 75th annual Notre Dame Bengal Bouts started off with a bang.

The first match showcased freshman Lawrence "Sully" Sullivan defeating sophomore Mike Piery. The referee stopped the contest (referred to as an RSC) 40 seconds into the third round. Fighting in the 140-pound Lightweight division,

Sullivan and Piery fought a fairly even first round. The second round, however, saw Sullivan's trademark right hooks get the better of Piery's nose and forced the ref to temporarily stop the fight. When the match resumed, Sullivan's power and punch combinations in the third and final round reopened Piery's wounds, prompting the referee's decision.

Will "The Thrill" Bezouska defeated Richard Cea in a three-round split decision. The left-handed junior from Dillon Hall was the aggressor in each of the three rounds, using his quick feet to position himself for strong right jabs early in the

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## ND SOFTBALL

# Ruthrauff's early season success no surprise

*Irish record-holder has proven her ability to produce on offense*

By JUSTIN SCHUVER  
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The weekend did not begin at all as planned.

The Irish had already amassed an 0-4 record at the Palm

Springs Classic and were in danger of going 0-5 as they faced a dominating Tennessee team with a 16-1 record and a No. 5 national ranking.

But after Meghan Ruthrauff came up to bat in the third inning and smacked a three-run home run over the left field fence, the team's snoozing bats finally came to life and Notre Dame knocked off the vaunted Vols 5-2.

Not that anyone should be surprised.

Ruthrauff has a history of making the big hit.

"When I go up to the plate, I just look for something in my zone, and if it's there, I swing at it," Ruthrauff said. "Against Tennessee, the ball just looked like a beach ball on its way up there, and I really think I've been seeing the ball better just in general this season and it's really made me a better hitter overall."

Already this season, the junior

first baseman is hitting .276 and has five RBI, second on the team to senior Megan Ciolli. But Ruthrauff has already put her name in the record books after having 54 RBI last season and placing herself second all-time for the Notre Dame RBI in a season mark — Melanie Alkire's 64 in the 2000 season is first.

Ruthrauff has also proven herself to be a patient hitter in addition to coming through in the clutch — in the 2003 season, she

set the Notre Dame single season record for walks with 36.

"When you see pitches well, it's a lot easier to realize which pitches are ones you should lay off of," she said. "I'm a much more disciplined hitter this season."

And if that wasn't impressive enough, she's also ranks first on the all-time fielding percentage list with a .995 mark. And that

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Notre Dame defensive end Justin Tuck is making noise at the NFL combine in Indianapolis.

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