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STUDENT SENATE

Senate rejects club allocations increase



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Senators vote on an amendment to increase club allocations during their Wednesday evening session. The amendment failed, 14-8.

◆ Resolution fails despite support from student organizations

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

In the final Senate meeting before the new Senate takes over, the focus of much debate was the amendment regarding the increase to club allocations. This amendment calls for clubs and organizations to receive a minimum of 40 percent of the student activity fee allocations, a 3.25 percent increase. Additionally, the remaining funds would be distributed among student union organizations.

Senators heard pleas from the Club Coordination Council and the Student Union Board to increase their respective allocations.

Kaitlyn Dudley, a representative from the CCC, appealed to the senators to increase their allocation despite the

benefits they will gain from the recent student activity fee increase. Citing that the increased funds will barely sustain the current and new clubs, Dudley stressed that an increase in the allocation will create better programming and increase attendance.

Dudley proposed that a new Club Collaboration Fund be guaranteed an allocation of funds so that clubs with common interests can work together in improving the quality of programming. Currently, a club must work with a student organization to receive funds.

"Giving us our own fund would thus avoid redundancy of jurisdiction and wasted time in highly repetitive discussions," said Dudley.

Dudley acknowledged that SUB exists to cater to the common interests of the student body, however, she pointed out that students do not have a narrow set of interests and that clubs can service the many interests of students.

"Clubs, though created to

serve special interests, do not deserve the short shrift because their appeal is 'limited.' The student body as a whole does not have one narrow set of interests, but many," said Dudley.

Stephen Christ, the SUB representative, began his plea by saying, "Money is best spent going to SUB."

Citing that SUB incurs a significant deficit and that their budget is less than 1/3 of what other universities receive, Christ asked that SUB be allocated more funds in order to provide the concerts, comedians and other programming events that students want. Also, he stated that an increase would allow for "greater risk taking" with regard to their programming.

Stephen Christ argued that because of their training in programming, that SUB should receive the money as opposed to the CCC. At times the debate became accusatory as the Stephen Christ attacked the CCC's capabilities at programming.

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ND struggles with classroom space

◆ Concerns over space arise as classrooms sit unused

By MEGHAN MARTIN
News Writer

Prompted by what he called "anecdotal evidence from both students and faculty," engineering professor Joe Powers decided to conduct an investigation of his own.

Aided by statistics from Registrar Harold Pace's office, the professor found that a significant number of classrooms remained unused during viable hours of the day, with considerable disparities on Fridays.

Concerned that his findings might be an indication that the University is not using its available academic space economically, Powers raised the issue at an Academic Council meeting that subsequently resulted in the formation of an investigative subcommittee.

The issue of academic space management at the University has become a significant concern as admission rates rise and departments attempt to expand. Every college, from Architecture to Arts and Letters, has been affected in some way by what has been perceived as a lack of space allotted for academic purposes.

"This is an ongoing issue here at Notre Dame, as well as at any other university — there are always space needs, space crunches — we just don't have a lot of space here at Notre Dame," said Joe Schellinger, director of academic space management.

The problem manifests itself to students in many ways, as well. While many architecture students have been forced to relocate to Brownson Hall, students from other colleges have endured endless headaches when scheduling classes each semester often in vain attempts to obtain the courses they need

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CELEBRATING PASSOVER



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Students participate in a Seder dinner held at the Hesburgh Center on Wednesday. Participants pour drops of wine onto a Seder plate to represent the 10 plagues God inflicted on the Egyptians. See "Passover dinner ends lecture series" on page 7.

INSIDE COLUMN

In the Resurrection

Remember way back six weeks ago to Feb. 12. Everyone was celebrating Mardi Gras, trying not to think about what they were going to give up the next day when Lent began. So what has changed over the past six weeks? How has it been to not eat a particular food, watch a particular show or behave a certain way? Did you learn something from your experience?

Chances are that we did learn something. We probably just didn't realize we were learning it. It probably just happened in a regular aspect of our lives, almost tricking us into learning it. Other things probably happened that weren't so ordinary, run-of-the-mill types of events. And though we learn from all those events, the ones we'll remember are probably the latter.

The Jewish celebration of Passover began last night at sunset. It commemorates the Israelites' pursuit of freedom and the final plague in Egypt in which the angel of death was to kill the first-born of each house. But those households who placed lamb's blood on the lintels of the door would be protected, so that the angel would pass over their homes. They were to eat a meal as if they were ready to flee, with unleavened bread and meat with bitter herbs.

Jesus celebrated the Passover with his apostles in the Last Supper, dipping the unleavened bread into the dish, and remembered his ancestors and their quest for freedom. Celebrating with his friends, he became the sacrifice, the sustenance that would lead to freedom through the captivity of sin and death. They then went out to the Garden of Gethsemani where Jesus prayed that the cup pass over his head. But he knew he was the light in the darkness, and so endured the greatest challenge — giving up his life — so that others could live in the light.

In light of the celebration of Easter, we are called to look at the extraordinary things in our lives. We are called to look at how life challenges us to be stronger, how we are to learn from those trials and how we are to die to ourselves if we are to live in Christ. Lent has been a time of reflection, giving and learning. During it, there are times when we get lost in the darkness. Laetare Sunday recalled the good things that we have in our lives, the good times we had with our friends and family, a glimpse of the Resurrection. The fullness of life that we have experienced will be a source of that gladness, of that hope in the darkness.

We've all passed through our own dark times. And yet, each darkness can be matched with a ray of light. In my own life, I have recently felt darkness in the death of my grandfather. But that darkness is matched with the light that he is no longer in pain, that he was a strong, hard-working man and he will live on in every memory my family and I have of him. He is at peace now and will partake in the Resurrection when we shall all be united again. He will be with me this Easter, helping me to see the light that filled his life and the love that filled his heart, so that the sorrow I have will be lifted away that I might rejoice with him in the Resurrection. I love you Grandpa. Happy Easter.



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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In the March 27 publication, the picture on the front page identified a student as setting a piece of paper on fire, when the student was actually putting the fire out.

The Observer regrets the error.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Thursday

- ◆ **Celebration:** Holy Thursday
Morning Prayer, 9 a.m., Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- ◆ **Mass:** Mass of the Lord's Prayer, 5 p.m., Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- ◆ **Talk:** "Women and College Sports: A Legal and Practical Guide," 8 a.m., Rolfs Room 129

Friday

- ◆ **Celebration:** Good Friday,
Morning Prayer, 9 a.m.;
- ◆ **Celebration:** Celebration of the Passion, 3 p.m., Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- ◆ **Mass:** 807 Mass, 8 p.m., Coleman Morse Center

Saturday

- ◆ **Game:** Women's Lacrosse vs. Virginia Tech, 1 p.m., Moose Krause Field

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Virginia lawmakers seek to loosen underage drinking

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.

The Virginia General Assembly passed a bill now awaiting Gov. Mark Warner's signature that could loosen laws related to the underage purchase or possession of alcohol.

Sponsored by Delegate James Almand, the bill offers courts the option of deferring a guilty verdict in cases of underage alcohol purchase or possession. If the deferral option is exercised, a judge would require the defendant to enter an alcohol treatment or education program.

If he or she cooperates with that order, the infraction, normally considered a Class 1 misdemeanor, would be wiped from the individual's criminal record.

A similar law currently on the books already affords judges such freedom in cases involving illegal



drugs, including marijuana and even cocaine.

This legal discrepancy could lead to disproportionate punishments for alcohol and drug offenders, said William McCollum, executive director of the Virginia Alcohol Safety Program who worked with Almand on the bill.

"If two kids are sitting in a park, and one is smoking marijuana and the other is drinking a beer, the one

drinking the beer would have his license suspended, be fined up to \$1,000 or could have to perform community service," McCollum said. "But the one smoking marijuana could have his drug charge wiped off his record."

Citing recent binge drinking statistics, Linda Volovick, Virginia state chairwoman of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, voiced her support for the bill and its approach to handling underage, alcohol-related incidents.

"We're talking about trying to prevent people from becoming alcoholics," Volovick said. "I see it as a broadening of the scope of what to do when an individual is caught."

Supporters seemed confident the measure did not represent a slackening of existing alcohol laws.

Cavalier Daily

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Fair trade coffee offers alternative

BOULDER, Colo.

Beginning next month, students looking for a socially conscious caffeine fix will have options at the University of Colorado. The activist group Developing Areas Research and Training (DART), began a campaign in early December 2001 to have "fair trade-certified coffee" offered at university locations. The group cited concerns that coffee growers in developing nations, such as Colombia and Nicaragua, are receiving payments for their crops that are less than the costs of production. The result of such transactions, activists say, is a continuous cycle of poverty. "Now more than ever it is important to support fair trade," Chelsea Primak, a DART activist said. "Buying fair-trade coffee is a simple action that ordinary people can do every day to help support farming families." After meeting with university administrators earlier this semester, the fair trade option will make its debut in early April at select locations in the UMC.

Colorado Daily

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

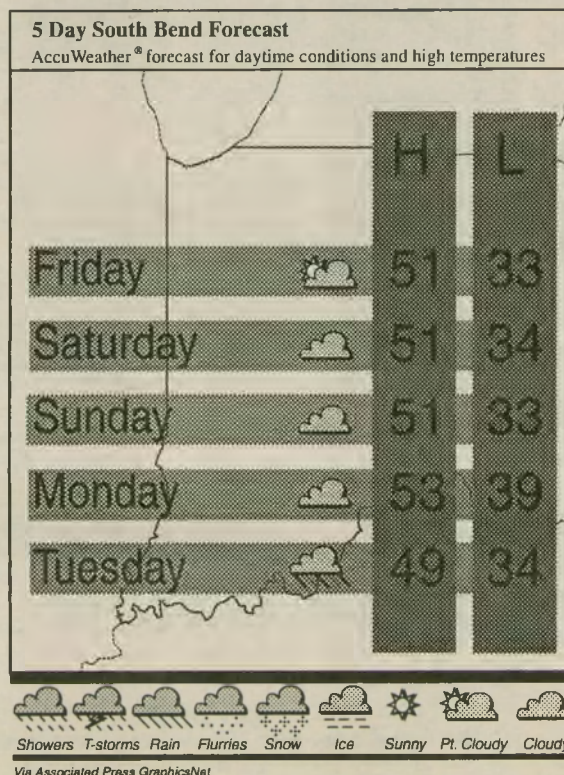
Death prompts suicide prevention

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.

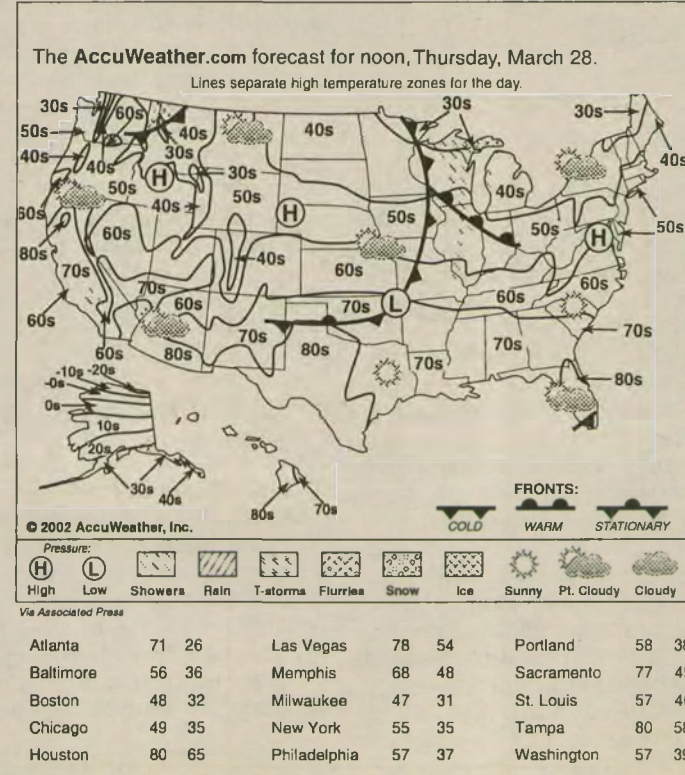
None of the people who knew Jeff Tohill could explain why he took his life the weekend before Pennsylvania State University students returned for spring semester. Friends described the junior marketing major as a happy, athletic and smart person who was always willing to try new things. Suicide is the third leading cause of death for people between the ages of 15 and 24 and is a frequent concern on college campuses, said Mary Anne Knapp, Penn State staff therapist. "It is common for people to think about suicide because of all the things that are happening with the academic pressure on top of it," she said. About three Penn State student suicides are reported each year, said Vickie Lucas, staff assistant to student and family services. Between 80 and 90 percent of students suffering depression, both biological and situational, respond well to therapeutic treatment, she said.

Daily Collegian

LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



SMC community remembers Sloman

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
News Writer

She was a mother, daughter, sister and student. To her classmates and teachers, Misty Sloman was an example in all of these roles, especially to her fellow social work majors.

"She was a model for all social workers—she wanted to make a change," Laura Porto, a Saint Mary's junior social work major, said. "She always brought a unique side to ethical issues. She was a



Sloman

nontraditional student so she could show us different arguments on issues."

Sloman was killed when she veered off of a road near her South Bend home crashing her car into a tree last Saturday morning. As an older student at Saint Mary's, the 29-year-old impressed her classmates and her teachers with her ability to stay on top of her schoolwork, her job and raise her two young daughters. Sloman also was a member of Saint Mary's chapter of the National Collegiate Honor Society for Social Work.

"I was just so impressed with how she was able to keep up with things. I could see how having children shaped her perception in class," said Saint Mary's professor Marcia Good Maust said. Good Maust

taught Sloman this semester in Anthropology of Women.

"She put a lot of effort into her own intellectual journey," Good Maust said. "She always kept up with readings and had something to say. Misty was very participatory and the students will miss her. This makes us miss her all the more."

Although her fellow majors found her different, because she was older and lived off campus, they considered her an asset to their classes.

"She was not afraid to speak her mind, in and out of class," Liz Bradley, a Saint Mary's junior social work major, said.

Sometimes, Sloman would bring her two girls, Alexandria and Sierra, to class. Porto met the girls last year when she had to meet

Sloman to work on a group project for their Human Behavior class.

"I remember this one time we had to hand each other our papers for a group project, and she had to bring her kids," Porto said. "They were running around everywhere. You could tell they just loved her."

When Sloman brought her daughters to class, all of her classmates could see the relationship between the children and their mother.

"Everything that Misty did was for her daughters," Bradley said. "She was a wonderful mother. I would love to be like that when I have children. She always had a smile for them."

Her mother died of cancer when Sloman was 17, and Good Maust felt that this loss affected Sloman strongly, and made her own death at such an early age all the more poignant.

"[Misty's death] is just so hard to handle," Good Maust said. "Her own mother died 11 years ago. Misty was so young."

Good Maust also believed that Sloman's mother's death also inspired her to work with children who have lost parents. Sloman had recently learned of her placement at the Madison Center, a mental health hospital located behind St. Joseph's, where she wanted to work with such children.

As the junior class prepares for their own placements and

classes next year, they remember how excited Sloman was to finally be graduating and realizing her dream. And these memories made it very hard for them to begin to cope with her loss.

Bradley, Porto, the junior majors and some seniors are creating a memory board to give to Sloman's daughters, with clips and photos of their memories of Sloman. They are also planning a memory book for Sloman's sister, Hilary Sloman.

A trust fund has been established at

First Source Bank in Sloman's memory, to be contributed to her daughters.

Funeral services are planned for today, at 2 p.m., in Calvary Temple, 717 South Michigan St. in South Bend.

At the next monthly memorial prayer service April 5 at 12 p.m. in Regina Chapel, the College will also remember Sloman.

The memory board, currently displayed outside of Room 25 in Madaleva Hall, contains a quote, contributed anonymously by a social work major, which reads as follows:

"You will forever be in our hearts, share in our dreams and live through our accomplishments. Your vision was and is ours, to change the world for people. Your love is in all that we do, always."

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"She was not afraid to speak her mind in and out of class."

Liz Bradley
Saint Mary's student

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at the times they prefer.

"The ultimate goal," said Pace, "is to provide teaching facilities on campus that are adequate to meet the needs of our faculty."

Finding the space to accommodate classes that coincide with the University schedule is the main issue of concern.

"We are hoping for the committee to come up with a recommendation that can help alleviate the scheduling problem," he said.

Ava Preacher, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters and member of the Academic Council's Undergraduate Affairs

Subcommittee, reported that the group is looking into possible solutions.

"We have a lot of people who schedule between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.," said Preacher.

Powers agreed, citing the amount of empty classrooms in DeBartolo Hall as a prime example of the academic space issue.

"When you see how many are completely empty [during a regular academic week], you have to ask yourself if we really don't have enough classrooms," he said.

While some believe that additional instructional buildings will confront the issue, Powers, Preacher and the rest of the committee have been entertaining remedies that do not require

the use of a bulldozer.

"Whether building more classrooms will solve the problem of academic space management is questionable," Preacher said. Having dozens of empty rooms on campus after 4:00 p.m. is hardly an economical use of educational facilities, she said.

Powers agreed. "Space costs money, and ultimately, it costs students money. The question we have to ask is, 'Is there a way we can run things more efficiently?'"

Simple though it may seem, as Pace noted, it is a complex problem centering primarily on technological availability in the classroom.

There are, for example, many factors that must be considered when scheduling classes, as stu-

dents tend to be reluctant to subject themselves to 8:30 a.m. time slots, and faculty members have made a recent push for more 75-minute blocks of teaching time.

Compounded, as well with set practice times for inter-hall and varsity athletics as well as the University policy prohibiting the scheduling of evening classes, many conflicts arise in scheduling class times according to Powers.

As of now, the committee is in the early stages of formulating a feasible solution. Even at such a juncture, it has hit a number of roadblocks, as factions begin to form and immoveable stances are now being taken by faculty members and administrators alike. The current

consideration is a proposal to shift all 75-minute Monday/Wednesday classes to Wednesday/Friday time slots, thereby scheduling discussion sections on Mondays, and solving the infamous "Friday problem."

If this plan is passed by the committee, as Powers is optimistic that it will be, it must be approved by both the Executive Committee and then the Academic Council itself in order to be put into action. Although it is a fairly minor proposition in the grand scheme of academic space management, Powers remained hopeful.

"Bringing up a rather mild proposal allows the issue itself to be brought up for discussion, which is a very good thing," he said.

While the academic-space issue carries on indefinitely, perhaps an even more pressing issue concerns the faculty themselves. According to John Affleck-Graves, University vice president and associate provost, the issue is not so much about finding adequate classroom space as it is about allowing sufficient space for the faculty [of each department] to be in a cohesive unit and close together.

Affleck-Graves cited the newly-constructed Malloy Hall for philosophy and theology faculty offices as "the blueprint" in terms of entire departments being housed under one roof. The issue has become especially

evident where Arts and Letters faculty are concerned, with social science departments in critical need of research and office space. The Psychology Department, for instance, has had to spread its research facilities among Brownson and Haggard Halls as well as off-campus buildings purchased for that specific purpose.

The goal, according to Affleck-Graves, is to consolidate research facilities so that they may be accessible to faculty and students alike, an undertaking slated to begin some time in the

future, though official estimations have not yet been made.

While the College of Arts and Letters may still be feeling the

effects of cramped space and the diffusion of faculty across campus, other colleges are looking forward to unprecedented expansion in the form of the upcoming state-of-the-art science learning center, restructured law building and further development of engineering facilities, plus the opening of the Marie DeBartolo Performing Arts Center slated for 2004.

The construction of such a diverse combination of facilities will serve to alleviate current stresses in faculty offices and research space and allowing for the renovation of Nieuwland Hall into much-needed faculty research laboratories.

Affleck-Graves believes that the University's aggressive building plan, coupled with its innovative policy of upgrading a set of classrooms each summer, will sufficiently alleviate the dilemma that revolves around academic space issues at Notre Dame.

In a situation as all-encompassing as space management, nearly any proposal is a step in the right direction.

"It is kind of a vicious circle, because Notre Dame is growing and has more viable programs that need space — it is a good thing — it's just a tricky thing," said Schellinger.

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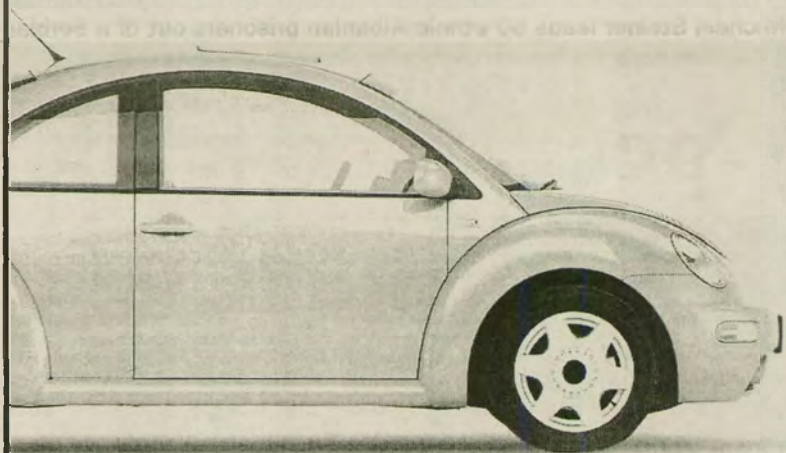
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Zimbabwe's last white ruler, former Prime Minister Ian Smith, said Wednesday the government stripped him of his Zimbabwe citizenship and passport. Smith, 83, the leader of Rhodesia, as Zimbabwe was known before independence in 1980, said authorities in Harare refused to renew his Zimbabwe passport, leaving him stateless.

Russia, Iran construct power plant:

Russia will finish building a nuclear power plant in Iran despite U.S. opposition and is considering a tentative North Korean request for a similar plant, Russia's top nuclear official said Wednesday. The reactor Russia is building at an unfinished nuclear power plant in Bushehr, Iran, will be completed by 2005 as planned, Nuclear Energy Minister Alexander Rumyantsev said.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Court rules on illegal immigrants:

Immigrants who work illegally in American plants, restaurants and fields do not have the same rights to restitution as U.S. citizens who are mistreated on the job, a divided Supreme Court ruled Wednesday. The court ruled that a plastics company owed nothing to a Mexican man who used a friend's identification to get a job. The Bush administration argued that without the threat of punishment for employers, some of the millions of undocumented workers in the United State might be exploited.

Yellowstone plans elk preservation:

A scientific report recommends the Interior Department take a hands-off approach to managing Yellowstone National Park's elk herd, the largest in the country. For 80 years, there has been debate about whether the elk are overgrazing the park's key vegetation, such as willow, sagebrush and aspen.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Clerk's resignation offer rejected:

Prosecutors rejected an offer for Goshen's clerk-treasurer to resign and instead filed an 11th charge that accuses the elected official of repeatedly mishandling her bookkeeping duties. Elkhart County wants Nancy Hoke to admit she filed inaccurate reports and pay back some of the \$40,000 Goshen paid an accounting firm to fix the records, Prosecutor Michael Cosentino told The Truth for a story published Wednesday. A man who answered the phone at Hoke's home Wednesday evening told The Associated Press that she was referring media inquiries to her attorney.



Agence France Presse

U.N. Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) program head Michael Steiner leads 80 ethnic Albanian prisoners out of a Serbian jail as the country begins the process of meeting U.S. demands for the extradition of suspected war criminals.

War crime suspects face trials

Associated Press

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia
Faced with a U.S. deadline to hand over war crimes suspects, Serbia's government on Wednesday defied a high court ruling and adopted a U.N. tribunal's rules allowing such extraditions.

Yugoslav President Vojislav Kostunica and his nationalist followers have opposed extraditions to the tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands, saying they are illegal and demanding that a special domestic law be adopted to let Serbia hand over suspects.

The government's defiant move comes a day after Yugoslavia's constitutional court, dominated by Serbian nationalists, ruled that the tribunal's statute cannot be applied in Serbia.

The U.S. Congress gave Yugoslavia until March 31 to cooperate with the court or risk losing \$120 million in financial assistance. Acting on a similar deadline last year, the Serbian government arrested former Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic, who is now on trial in The Hague for atrocities his forces committed in Kosovo, Bosnia and Croatia in the 1990s.

Serbian Justice Minister Vladan Batic said the Serbian government decided to adopt The Hague's statute after months of fruitless legal debates and wrangling between political factions.

The government move indicates that it is ready to arrest and extradite at least some of 15 Serb war crimes suspects living in the republic and sought by The Hague.

Batic said that he doesn't believe March 31 is the final deadline because the Serbian government has fulfilled two other conditions set by the United States - releasing all ethnic

Albanian prisoners from Serbian jails and severing formal ties with the Bosnian Serb military.

Among the suspects sought by the tribunal are the world's top war crimes fugitives, former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic and his wartime military commander, Gen. Ratko Mladic. Mladic is known to be hiding in Serbia; Karadzic's whereabouts are unknown.

Both were indicted together for genocide for the 1995 massacre of about 8,000 Muslim men and boys in Srebrenica, Bosnia, and the three-year military siege and shelling of Sarajevo.

LEBANON

Saudis offer Mideast peace plan

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon
Amid the chaos of angry words, walkouts and stay-at-home protests, Saudi Arabia presented a peace plan Wednesday to an Arab summit riven by internal conflicts and historical hatreds. The lack of unity could make it difficult to sell the plan and its promise of normal relations between Israel and the Arab world.

Nearly drowned out by the theatrics in Beirut and the new violence in Israel was a proposal by Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah for pan-Arab

recognition of Israel in exchange for the return of Arab lands. If endorsed Thursday by the entire Arab summit as expected, the plan may provide the basis for future peace negotiations after the violence subsides.

Israeli officials criticized the Saudi plan as too vague and complained that the new language offering "normal relations" somewhat weakens the idea of "normalization" initially floated by Abdullah. Israel wants open borders with tourism and trade - not just formal diplomatic ties.

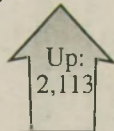
The Saudi plan has more strings

attached than in February when Abdullah first sketched out the proposal. Reportedly added at Syria's suggestion, the plan demands Palestinian refugees return home after decades of exile.

The plan also demands a Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital even though Israel insists the city remain united under its sovereignty. The plan - at least the English language translation of it - limits the demand to "east Jerusalem," which Israel captured from Jordan's control in the 1967 Mideast war.

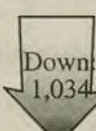
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ADELPHIA COMM-A (ADLAC)	-18.10	-0.31	16.70
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-1.86	+0.25	8.67

Norton and Moscona reflect on terms

By JOHN FANNING
News Writer

After a year of serving as student body president and vice-president, Brooke Norton and Brian Moscona will finish their terms this week, allowing Libby Bishop and Trip Foley to succeed them. After a long year in office, the incumbent president and vice-president can now reflect on their experiences.

Both Norton and Moscona share long histories of service in student government. Norton served as Walsh Hall's freshman representative, freshman class secretary, sophomore class president and student body vice-president before becoming the first female student body president in Notre Dame's history.

Likewise, Moscona has had an extensive student government background, serving as Stanford Hall representative, freshman class secretary and sophomore class president before attaining the rank of student body vice-president. Overall, Norton and Moscona had nothing but positive things to say about their year in office.

"It's definitely an honor to be student body president. To be able to represent the students on a day-to-day basis is really amazing," said Norton.

However, the past year has not at all been easy for the governing duo, who often spent 40 to 60 hours a week working on student government issues. As a result of this large responsibility, one of the

biggest challenges that Norton, Moscona and their staff faced have been trying to live a relatively normal student life while having as much interaction as possible with the student body.

Both agree that one of the most tangible ways in which they were able to interact with the student body was through participating in the active unification of different campus groups during the past year. According to Moscona, in the past many student groups have tended to exist as autonomous bodies, disconnected from the other organizations on campus.

"We've really promoted the unification of the student union," said Moscona. "In fact, our collaboration fund [money used for interacting with other campus groups], which in previous years was barely used, is almost dry already."

One of the most apparent results of this new cooperation was seen in the organization of this year's diversity fair, which was widely attended by people of all ethnic groups.

"So many different types of people were working together on things this year. As long as we're going in that direction, that's a big step," said Norton.

Moreover, many mediums for closing the gap between student government and the student body have also been established. Included in these improvements is an in-depth calendar system that will inform the student body of all campus events. This new calendar will be available to the students in the residence halls, on the

Internet and through a student activities hotline. Also in development is the establishment of a new student outreach room that will allow students to more effectively promote their activities on campus.

Despite these improvements, one of the biggest challenges that Norton and Moscona have faced has been in affecting immediate change on campus and keeping students informed and aware of the work that student government is doing. Both agree the major significance for this comes from the long processes usually involved in wide-scale campus improvements.

"It's often difficult for us because we're only here for four years," said Moscona. "Change happening quickly for us means within one year, while for the administration quickly often means five years or more."

As a result, Norton and Moscona agreed that although they may not see certain changes realized during their time at Notre Dame, it is important that they focus equally on both short-term and long-term improvements.

In fact, many of Norton and Moscona's accomplishments, such as expanding student social space, planning for new restaurants in LaFortune, negotiating better facilities at the Alumni-Senior Club and implementing various technological changes on campus are all the end result of projects that have been in the works for many years.

While Norton and Moscona both reported that they have had a



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Brooke Norton and Brian Moscona speak at their first presidential debate in the Library Auditorium on February 7, 2001. The team has worked together ever since.

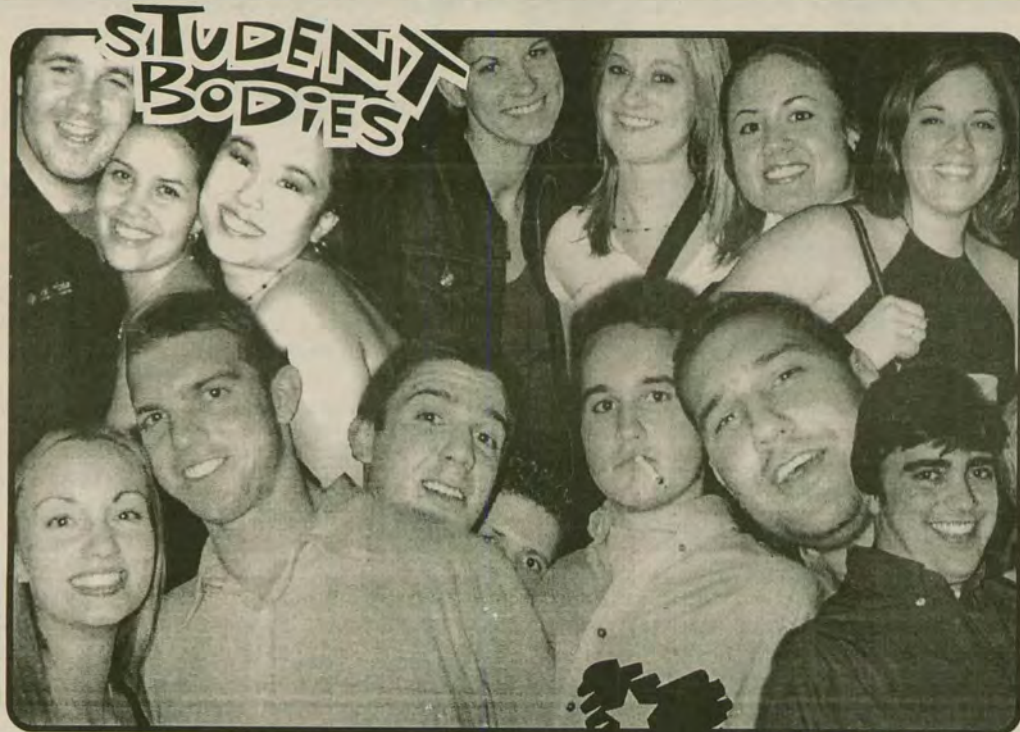
very positive relationship with the administration, they also recognized the need for more student input into many of the decisions that are made regarding campus life. Student government is given the opportunity to present campus needs to the Board of Trustees three times throughout the year, which has been a very positive instrument for change, but Norton said that there is still more work to be done in improving the lines of communication.

Both hope that certain decisions made by the administration will

not deter students from continuing to be involved in the Notre Dame community that they have worked so hard to strengthen.

"What we need to do as students is to show through our actions, words and activities that we love this University and each other," said Norton. "We need to show that we care about the community here, because that is what makes this place so unique."

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Passover dinner ends lecture series

By LIZ KAHLING
News Writer

Nearly 50 participants were present for a traditional Passover Seder that finished a discussion series titled "Passover and Judaism in the Western Tradition" this week. C. Spencer Beggs, one of 11 Jewish undergraduates at Notre Dame, led the meal drawing upon his family's traditions.

The idea for the discussion series and Seder originated from Beggs' Program of Liberal Studies class, "The Bible and Its Institutions."

"While Notre Dame has a lot of intelligent people, sometimes we get jaded by the homogeneity on campus. I thought this would be a good way to expose people to what most haven't been exposed to before and give them a basis of understanding themselves through the eyes of a different culture," Beggs explained.

Beggs received an e-mail in January from the College of Arts and Letters about the "Residing a World of Ideas" program that offers a grant of \$1,500 for students to organize events that bring students and faculty together to discuss an issue. Beggs then contacted various professors within the PLS department, students and his family for the recipes and stories that are part of the Passover Seder.

The Seder took place at Greenfield's Cafe and began at sundown and lasted approximately two hours. Faculty and students were provided a Haggadah, which is the book

that contains the story and blessings of the Passover Seder. The Haggadah, which means "to tell," has been passed down in Beggs' family for over 50 years. Beggs actually did much of the transcribing and editing for the copy provided at dinner.

The "required" parts of the Seder are the retelling of the story of the Exodus from Egypt, eating matza, as well as other symbolic foods, and drinking four cups of wine (representing the four stages of the Exodus).

After four cups of wine and a group reading of the allegory "Had Gadyo" Beggs complimented the participants, "This is the best version of Had Gadyo I've ever heard."

The Seder meal began with five foods in remembrance of the struggle of the Israelites in their quest and journey to freedom. Some of the food was bitter to remind of the bitter exodus, but the students and faculty were adventurous and tried all the foods. A dinner followed that included matza balls soup, marinated asparagus, beef brisket, arni pisto and "Heart Attack" Potatoes, a recipe from Beggs' mother.

Priga Varghesi enjoyed the meal and learning the tradition behind it. "There's a lot of stuff in our culture that we don't know what it's all about."

The Passover Seder was preceded by discussions on both Monday and Tuesday exploring "Judaism and the West" as well as "The Symbolism and Meaning of Passover."

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Senate

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"I think you are over simplifying the issue. I think clubs can run a program, but I feel I am more prepared to program," said Christ. "We don't program for a constituency, we program for the entire student body."

Sole Galmarini, Badin Hall senator, said that the Senate should hold off on the amendment and wait a year to see how the recent Student Activity increase would affect the clubs.

Tai Romero, student union senator, supported the amendment, stating that the clubs, including service clubs, will not receive

enough money, while SUB will get an increase regardless.

The amendment to increase club allocations failed 14-8.

In other Senate news:

◆ The resolution to change the CCC Ethnic division name to the Cultural division was passed unanimously. The resolution cited that the current name was "no longer an adequate or accurate representation" and that the word "ethnic" implies "a negative connotation" creating an exclusive environment.

◆ There was a unanimous consent of an open letter regarding extending parietyals to the CLC. The letter states that the Senate is willing to work with the CLC

and is seeking approval to hand out surveys to address CLC concerns that extending parietyals would negatively affect athletes, ROTC students and hall staffs.

◆ An open letter concerning experiential learning addressed to University Provost Nathan Hatch was approved. The letter urges the University to establish a policy on experiential learning programs and academic credit.

◆ Danielle Ledesma was approved as the Judicial Council President for 2002-03.

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D'Arcy to speak at Holy Cross

◆ Fort Wayne-South Bend Bishop to speak at commencement

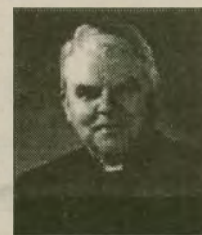
By AMANDA GRECO
News Writer

Father John D'Arcy, bishop of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese will address the Holy Cross College graduating class of 2002 at the 35th Commencement ceremony on May 11.

D'Arcy will also receive an honorary degree from the College. Holy Cross is the only Catholic college in the diocese yet to confer an honorary degree to Fr. D'Arcy, said Brother Richard Gilman,

Holy Cross college president. As a prominent figure in the Catholic community, D'Arcy was the College's first choice of speakers for this year's Commencement.

"We wanted to recognize him with a degree for the leadership he's taken in the Ex Corde dialogue preserving the Catholic traditions in colleges,"



D'Arcy

Gilman said.

D'Arcy was ordained as a Holy Cross priest in 1957. He received a doctorate in spiritual theology from Angelicum in Rome in 1968. D'Arcy served as the auxiliary bishop for Boston in 1975 and was named vicar for spiritual development at that time.

D'Arcy was also the regional bishop for the Lowell Region Archdiocese of Boston in 1981. He has served the northern Indiana community as bishop of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese since 1985.

During his local tenure, D'Arcy started many programs, such as providing televised Sunday masses for the homebound and opening a second chancery office in South Bend. Other accomplishments of note during D'Arcy's term as bishop include the 1987 instatement of the Annual Bishop's Appeal, which fiscally strengthened the diocese and resulted in the largest per capita appeal of any U.S. diocese.

The Fort Wayne South Bend Diocese, under D'Arcy's direction has aided those in need with services provided through the Women's Care Center, Chapin Street Clinic, Hannah's House, the Center for the Homeless, La Casa de Amistad, Christ Child Society, Hospice of St. Joseph County, Center for Basic Learning Skills, St. Vincent de Paul, Life Athletes and Catholic Charities.

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Mardi Gras theft remains unsolved

By GERMANY CARNES
News Writer

The investigation into the theft of O'Neill Hall's Mardi Gras ticket sales has turned up no new leads according to Rex Rakow, director of Notre Dame Security/Police.

Rakow said that the investi-

gation has not yet concluded, but so far the identity of the thief or thieves remains unknown.

"It seems like the trail is a bit cold right now," said Father John Herman, O'Neill Hall rector.

More than \$4000 was stolen from the O'Neill Hall government office on Feb. 9, after an

unknown person or persons lifted the office keys from the hall president's room.

The majority of the money was returned in an envelope outside Herman's room Feb. 11, but an amount between \$900 and \$1000 is still missing, Rakow said.

To prevent further thefts, the lock to the hall govern-

ment office has been changed. "[The administration] took care of that right away," Herman said.

The theft will result in increased security for future O'Neill hall events.

"We may have a dance yet this spring, and if we do, before tickets are sold all the hall government people and I will sit down and talk and be very clear about where the money is going," Herman said.

After discovering that the money was missing, Herman

announced that O'Neill Hall would not have Mardi Gras next year unless it was returned.

With a large portion of the money still missing, the fate of next year's Mardi Gras is uncertain.

A likely change to the University alcohol policy that will ban in-hall dances also leaves the event's status unclear next year.

"It seems like the trail is a bit cold right now."

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The unruly ruled

Proposed changes to the University alcohol policy were never supposed to be a laughing matter. Neither were student protests of the revisions and administration's receptiveness to campus concern about the changes; but that is what both have turned into.

Since March 18, when officials announced the policy changes, students have failed to organize a thoughtful public demonstration against the proposed regulations that hasn't degenerated into juvenile antics. Similarly, the man responsible for the changes, Vice President for Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman, has failed to seriously respond to undergraduates' concerns that they were locked out of the policy-making process, and that the statistical reasoning behind the policy remains undisclosed.

But this is no joke.

Protests, such as Tuesday's midnight rally outside Main Building, hurt the student cause more than they help. Students laughed and posed for pictures during the rally, all the while burning copies of the student handbook and throwing bottles of liquor on the steps in front of the administration headquarters. At a larger March 20 rally, students also burned the handbook and delivered speeches that amounted to little more than administration bashing and dorm cheerleading. While such frustration and acts are understandable given the child-like way in which the administration treats the students, the student body would do well to follow the more rational leadership of student government and those present at Sunday's

Student Senate and Monday's Campus Life Council meetings.

Conversely, though students acted unreasonably, Poorman's treatment of the changes has been just as ineffective.

At the CLC meeting, Poorman addressed what he believed were the most-asked questions about the policy changes but scheduled inadequate time to answer unrehearsed questions from CLC members and the 200 students in attendance. At that meeting, Poorman also renewed his stance that the changes were essentially final and that releasing statistics on which the changes were based "wouldn't advance the discussion at this point."

It's time to get serious.

For students, this means behaving as thoughtful adults and showing concern for a variety of campus issues — not merely alcohol restrictions. CLC, Student Senate and other meetings are always open to the public and officials encourage students to voice their opinions at such venues.

For Poorman and the administration, it means devoting a meeting or series of meetings, and not just an e-mail or quick appearance at the CLC, to fully answering student concerns. Administrators must respect students' intelligence and provide them with an open, information-filled forum in which they are capable of being constructive.

Students and administrators may reach no happy medium in this issue, but a compromise from both sides at least makes Poorman's enactment of the changes, and campus response to them more than a joke.

The Observer Editorial

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Readers decry alcohol protests

Actions embarrassing

As a student of the Notre Dame community, it angers and embarrasses me greatly to see my fellow students acting in such an immature and disrespectful manner. With the change in the alcohol policy, are we really going to be missing out on that much?

Inside one of the largest "drinking schools" in the United States, will the lack of hard liquor inside the dorms really have such a negative effect on our community? Or will it help to make it just a little more safe and a more respectful place for those who live within it?

Students are protesting the administration infringing on our rights while many of these same students are given more rights by the University than are legally theirs as minors. With rights come responsibilities.

As for the issue of discontinuing SYRs, more times than not, we forget that we have the responsibility to clean up after ourselves and to fix what we break. How many times have we spent a weekend in a dorm absolutely trashed after an SYR, with bathrooms that reek of vomit and are absolutely disgusting — bathrooms that are left for the cleaning people to take care of Monday morning. That is not their

responsibility, but being so concerned with our rights, we forget our responsibility.

I am abroad this year, so obviously I do not see this firsthand, but I read in The Observer online about students protesting by throwing liquor bottles at the Dome. Please, grow up. If you want to convince the administration that we are mature enough to live in community without parietais or with more freedom in regards to alcohol, behaving like wild children is not going to do it. Take a step back and look at yourselves.

When I read reports like this it makes me feel ashamed to be a Notre Dame student. Why is liquor always such an important rallying point for Notre Dame students? Why does it seem to be the first priority? Why don't we all just take a step back, realize that this is not the end of the world as we know it and concentrate our efforts and protests toward some cause that legitimately deserves our time and attention.

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Church's crisis eclipsed

I enthusiastically concur with Mary Ann Hennessey's letter on Tuesday entitled, "Alcohol is sole motivator." During my years at Notre Dame, not even the Gulf War or the demands of Students United for Respect (SUFR) could unite the student body to action.

A brief examination of the articles on The Observer's website reveals no campus coverage of the current crisis within the Catholic Church. Why are there no calls for Father Malloy to make a statement regarding sexual abuse in the Church and its equally dispicable cover-up? Why haven't students written letters demanding the University disclose if any campus priests have had complaints made against them? At the very least, the intellects of the student body should be stimulated to debate the relationship (if any) between celibacy and these allegations of abuse.

It is deplorable that only changes to the alcohol policy could stir the students' emotions, while the rest of nation struggles with the current fragile state of the Catholic Church.

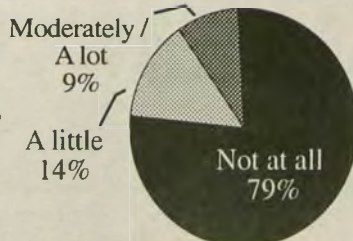
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Roman orator and statesman

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Some Catholic social justice obligations are yet to be fulfilled

One of the interesting aspects of the work of the University's anti-sweatshop task force is that while its undertaking is enormous, its focus is limited. Simply to track the activity of the companies that make Notre Dame products requires a lot of work. The University also evaluates the activity of the companies in light of the Church's social teaching.

Because of the appropriately limited focus of the sweatshop task force, there are other areas of economic activity on the part of the University that await assessment.

For instance, there is not an analogous task force looking into purchasing. If we should not make Notre Dame products in China because of its laws against the freedom of association, then it would at first seem that we also should not purchase goods — for instance, desks and chairs — made there. Such issues are highly complex and time-consuming to address, as I found when serving on the sweatshop task force.

There is one area of University economic activity that, while complex, is certainly within Notre Dame's capacity to assess and respond, and that regards the conditions and the salaries or wages of those



Todd David Whitmore

The Common Good

who work for the University. A number of years ago there was an effort to address the issue of the salaries of staff. It is worth revisiting the issue — the cost of living is not stagnant — while broadening the scope of concern to include all workers that serve Notre Dame, including those who do so when the University sub-contracts the work. Appeals simply to market value or prevailing wages in the South Bend area are not adequate guidelines.

A full assessment will require looking at the salaries of faculty and administrators as well because Catholic teaching is concerned not only with the living wage, but also with the gap between rich and poor. Here is one of the more difficult areas to assess because detailed information is difficult and sometimes impossible to obtain. Having such information, however, would help nuance the conversation considerably. Salaries, even for professors of the same rank, vary according to whether the professor works in the College of Business, for instance, or in Arts and Letters.

The greatest tension may be between the University's legitimate desire to improve as a research institution and the payment of a living wage to staff and other workers. Bringing top scholars to Notre Dame requires the payment of competitive salaries and, particularly in the sciences, the provision of highly expensive lab or other research resources. This may not be a zero-sum game in every case. Good research in some instances may bring in both foundation and donor funds to compensate the

cost. The tension needs to be acknowledged, however, and assessed as part of the question of the Catholic identity of the University.

There are other areas of expenditure that also require assessment in light of the issue of the payment of fair wages. In reference to the Church, John Paul II has pointed to the problem of "costly furnishings" and commented that "it could be obligatory to sell these goods" in order to provide adequately for all people. Last Friday's South Bend Tribune reported that Notre Dame's administration building has the number-one-ranked bathrooms in the country according to a national poll. The bathrooms have Stovax Victorian tile, solid oak interior partition doors on marble finished partitions and designer-accented faucets.

Here, too, there are complex trade-off questions. The bathrooms are ranked in part in light of their upkeep — the effort of workers. The argument is often made that the overall production of wealth, which in this case led to the donations which made refurbishing the bathrooms possible, also makes possible the job to clean the bathrooms, a job that otherwise would not exist. The argument is that the desire for costly furnishings benefits even the least well-off among us.

It is important to evaluate such arguments rather than dismiss them out of hand. When a number of neo-liberal economists joined to make a statement regarding sweatshops, the most that they could say in good conscience was that when the corporations subcontracted,

which is usually the case in the apparel industry, the workers were "generally paid no less than the prevailing market wage." Notre Dame needs to attend in an ongoing way to the relationship between prevailing and living wages in the South Bend area and seek to pay the latter.

I have two recommendations. First, in its long-range planning Notre Dame should highlight the payment of living wages to all workers associated with the University in the same way that it highlights, for instance, the number of new faculty lines it sets as a development goal. The University can seek to develop a special endowment for the supplemental payment of workers of subcontracted companies that do not pay a living wage. Second, attention to living wages is sustained best when workers have the right to organize.

Given the attention to the right to organize as a key for facilitating worker dignity in Catholic teaching, Notre Dame should not simply allow workers to exercise the right but encourage its practice by hosting information meetings on the history and practice of worker organization for all of its employees.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Noting flawed reasoning

Most, if not all, of the articles criticizing the new alcohol policy seem to share this argument: Students are going to get drunk no matter what the administration does, so the administration should stop trying to curb this behavior and should in fact facilitate it. Perhaps this argument is valid when dealing with children, who merely throw tantrums when their wishes are frustrated and only with difficulty learn to adjust their actions to a changed reality, but I should hope college students are different.

Then there follows the reasoning that by forcing students to go elsewhere to drink liquor straight, the administration is putting those students in danger. Apparently, in many minds the hands of Father Poorman and those who "pull the golden strings" above him are already dripping with the blood of poor alcoholic students who will now have to suffer the agony of venturing off-campus to engage in immoral, and in many cases illegal, behavior. These students subsequently may be injured in car wrecks or by drunkenly stumbling into open vats of acid or piles of broken glass.

This is peculiar logic, even by freshman standards. So it seems the administration should not forbid anything, unless it is something nobody wants to do anyway.

Pornography? Guys are going to look at it, plain and simple. Might as well just provide it for them so they can defile themselves in the dorms instead of making them go to fine establishments like "The Torch" [a local strip club] to stoke their lust and even do their shameful deeds.

Abortion? Women (even good Notre Dame girls) will get them, no matter what anyone says. After all, it is their right. Might as well put a clinic on campus so pregnant students do not have to go off-campus to get them.

There are plenty of other silly themes running through the prevailing angry opinions. For instance, take the appeal to "tradition." On the one hand, it is pleasant to see "progressive" people for whom tradition is usually a four-letter word (an all-male campus and manual labor were also once traditions) invoke it in this case like it were synonymous with the will of God. Likewise, students vigorously championing traditions of which they themselves have been a part for a few years at most makes me wonder if they somehow experienced those traditions in a previous life. As for questioning the authority of the administration to make and enforce this decision, it is beyond ridiculous.

So far as I am aware, the administration has not said it will enforce underage drinking laws on campus. Nor has it said it will punish intoxication in those who are 21 or over. They could have, and perhaps should have, come up with something tougher than what they did, given the rampant abuse of alcohol among students. But the way students are wailing and gnashing their teeth, you would think it could not possibly get any worse. and that is a shame.

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Traditional animation almost extinct with 'Ice Age'

By MATT NANIA
Scene Movie Critic

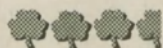
"Ice Age" opens with a tiny, long-nosed Scrat — a fictional prehistoric cross between a squirrel and a rat — desperately trying to bury his precious acorn in the solidly frozen ground, only to cause a massive avalanche. It's a beautifully extended bit of slapstick that plays out much like silent film comedy, where we read everything off the Scrat's bugging eyes and manic physical movements (although his various grunts, squeaks and high-pitched screams are vitally important to the humor, as well.)

The rest of the movie, despite the

recurring presence of the Scrat, falls into a fairly predictable pseudo-Disney mold, featuring an ice-age version of "The Incredible Journey," except instead of dogs and cats we get a woolly mammoth, a sloth and a saber-tooth tiger.

The first feature-length computer-animated film from 20th Century Fox's animation division, which is still recoiling from the disaster of the conventionally animated "Titan A.E.," "Ice Age" delivers where it needs to, but doesn't break any real, new ground. It's funny and sweet and often clever, but it sometimes feels a little too formulaic, as if much of the writing involved filling in blanks on a form.

The general story outline is the least inspired aspect of the film: It involves a mission to return a lost human child to his tribe before a glacier pass closes. Ray Romano (TV's "Everybody Loves Raymond") offers an unex-

"Ice Age"

out of five shamrocks

Director: Chris Wedge
Starring: The voices of Ray Romano, John Leguizamo and Dennis Leary

pectedly effective voice as Manny, an enormous woolly mammoth with a sarcastic tongue, but a soft heart and an inner sadness. In some ways, Romano has the most thankless role, as he has to play the straight mammal, especially as a foil for John Leguizamo's Sid, a clueless and talkative sloth

with buggy eyes and buck teeth.

With his slight lisp and utter cowardice, Sid is the butt of most of the jokes — he's the weakest character in the Darwinian sense, so it's no surprise that he latches onto Manny right from the start. The trio is rounded out by Dennis Leary's Diego, a saber-tooth tiger who has plans for the human child other than returning it to its tribe, although it is a foregone conclusion that his heart will be melted in typical kiddie-flick fashion.

All of this unfolds in a quick 80 minutes that is nicely paced and not a minute too long. Director Chris Wedge keeps the jokes rolling, interspersing the humor with moments of friendship and tenderness among the film's odd central trio. The most effective example is when Manny sees cave drawings come to life and depict the death of his family at the hands of human hunters.

Overall, though, what you remember most are the gags — particularly a hilarious sequence involving the self-inflicted demise of dodo birds. Other pointed laughs involve a marathon in which Manfred, the baby and Diego take turns slapping Sid around. The film



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Diego, voiced by Dennis Leary, has sinister plans.

even takes a moment to parody "Titanic," which is admittedly irresistible when your film is overrun with ice.

In its best moments, "Ice Age" is good escapist fun, goofy enough for the kids to lose themselves in, but smart enough to keep adults entertained as well. The animation is generally excellent — slightly more cartoonish, less detailed and not quite as finely textured as Pixar's work in "Monster's Inc." — but it is still enjoyable to watch and is yet another nail in the coffin of traditional hand-drawn animation.

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The cartoonish quality of the animation in "Ice Age" is not as advanced as other contenders, but still fun to watch.

'Ballroom' whirls onto DVD

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Scene Movie Critic

Baz Luhrmann enchanted audiences this year with "Moulin Rouge," fashioning a directorial style that thrived on brisk cutting and flash. The overwhelmingly positive response to "Rouge" inspired audiences to investigate his previous works. Both of Luhrmann's previous films, "William Shakespeare's Romeo + Juliet" and "Strictly Ballroom" are timely releases to DVD this month, using the Academy Award Best Picture nomination of "Rouge" to generate DVD purchasing power. The packaging of "Strictly Ballroom" may innocuously mention that this release coincides with the movie's 10th anniversary, but it also places its connection to "Rouge" on the front and the back of the packaging.

"Ballroom" is an invigorating romp through the world of Australian amateur ballroom dancing, where Scott Hastings (Paul Mercurio) is primed to become the next Pacific Grand Prix Amateur Champion if only he could learn to follow the rules.

Like Christian of "Rouge" or the "star-crossed lovers" of "Romeo + Juliet," Hastings is a rebel who follows his heart instead of the mandated boundaries of his endeavor. His heart tells him to be as imaginative in the creation of new moves as Luhrmann is in the construction of unique characters and in the molding of his directorial approach. Hastings becomes the Jim Stark of the ballroom dancing scene, but his rebellion has a cause. Fran

(Tara Morice) is the homely beginner whose heart shares Scott's passion to explore the artistic interpretation of the formerly rigid structures of dance routines. Together, Fran and Scott will break all the rules to make their mutual dream come true. The movie's motto becomes: "A life lived in fear is a life half lived."

Luhrmann is willing to concede that the outcome of the movie is predictable within the first 10 minutes of the movie, but acknowledges in his commentary that he is more interested in the progression of the characters and story. Luhrmann's commentary is retrospective, looking at his pet film as the genesis of all of his recent success. The commentary indirectly highlights Luhrmann's



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After the success of "Moulin Rouge," audiences sought out one of Luhrmann's previous successes "Strictly Ballroom."

the source of Luhrmann's inspiration: an Australian independent documentary entitled "Samba to Slow Fox." The film is a revealing look at the obsessive dedication of ballroom dancers to their craft. The base of "Ballroom" is in "Samba's" non-fictional environment, but Luhrmann has sprinkled elements of light-hearted comedy and melodrama

obsession with the creation of "Strictly Ballroom," which has survived several incarnations as a smash stage play before being put down on film. Luhrmann, who was revered as an opera director before the success of "Ballroom," has unique insights into the construction and manipulation of each scene in the movie.

As a special addition, the "Strictly Ballroom" DVD includes Luhrmann's inspiration: an Australian independent documentary entitled "Samba to Slow Fox." The film is a revealing look at the obsessive dedication of ballroom dancers to their craft. The base of "Ballroom" is in "Samba's" non-fictional environment, but Luhrmann has sprinkled elements of light-hearted comedy and melodrama

to construct good entertainment.

The dance uniforms in "Ballroom" add to the movie's entertainment, with a flashiness that is not only eye-catching, but also amusing. For audiences enthralled by the costumes and the dancing, production designer Catherine Martin and choreographer John O'Connell lend their commentary, and the DVD provides a three-dimensional look at some of the zany costuming choices as a complementary feature.

While Miramax claims to be celebrating this movie's 10th anniversary, they disappoint DVD enthusiasts with an unremarkable transfer. The movie has suffered no permanent damage to the stock, but the video remains grainy in scenes. For a film that has a remarkably great soundtrack presented in Dolby Digital 5.1 Surround, the video is the only drawback to the DVD.

"Strictly Ballroom" has entertaining characters, elaborate costuming and a magnificent soundtrack that is confined in a predictable outcome. Perhaps the story should have appropriated the style of Hastings, who refused to be confined by standards and created a modern interpretation to an old formula. Alas, the movie is still a brilliant first step in the rising trajectory of Baz Luhrmann's career, and while the DVD's video transfer is not up to the highest standards, "Strictly Ballroom" is a nice addition to any DVD collection.

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TWO TICKETS FOR "E.T.: THE EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL"

'E.T.' still has a home in cinema

This week Mel and Paul got reacquainted with "E.T.," one of the movie world's most repulsively cuddly aliens, whose story makes you glad to have Broadwing.

MR: It feels a little odd to review "E.T." since everyone's already seen it.

PC: Not everyone, because before this weekend, all I knew of the leathery little alien was his film's resonant tag lines, goose-pimpling musical score and a bike flying across the moon.



Melissa Rauch
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MR: Alright then, for those who need to refresh their memories, or for others, like Paul, who were busy reading Hemingway during their childhood and never saw "E.T.," here's the short-short version: A Reese's Pieces loving extra-terrestrial is accidentally left behind on earth when scary, dangly keys-wearing, government agents scare his family away. He befriends a young boy named Elliot, who is going through a difficult time following his parents' divorce. The two form a symbiotic relationship while trying to reunite E.T. with his family. Its mixture of comedy and drama is timeless; you'll still laugh when E.T. gets drunk (it's OK because it wasn't hard alcohol) and cry when the pair must say goodbye.

PC: All that was great, but I got more choked up believing in the purity of a world in which Drew Barrymore has no tattoos. I mean, wow, what a concept.

MR: While it is hard to imagine little Gertie as the future star of the Skinemax classic "Poison Ivy," it's interesting that your biggest take-away from this classic film was Drew's virgin skin. Nevertheless, it does highlight the fact that the three child actors in this film, especially Henry Thomas as Elliot, are phenomenal. They set a standard rarely met by young actors since.

PC: That's because Ray Liotta didn't start making movies until he was an adult — but I digress. I went to the film denigrating Spielberg for contributing to the money-



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The re-release of "E.T.: the Extra-Terrestrial" is full of second guesses by a digitally enabled Spielberg, but the film's original sentiment still speaks for itself.

grubbing practice of re-releasing and thinking 20-year anniversaries seem better occasions for high school reunions. For a man with the luxury of working with infinite resources, it'd be nice for Spielberg to go out on a limb with some new material rather than dip into his own résumé of sure fire hits when he's looking for a can't miss.

MR: Only this wasn't a simple re-release. Like "Star Wars" a few years back, the new "E.T." has been digitally re-mastered and contains some formerly deleted scenes. Spielberg replaced the guns of the government agents with computer-gener-

ated walkie-talkies and the lovable alien now makes more animated facial expressions when interacting with the children.

"E.T.: the Extra-Terrestrial"

Melissa's rating



Paul's rating



out of five shamrocks

Director: Steven Spielberg

Starring: Henry Thomas, Drew Barrymore, Dee Wallace-Stone

PC: Digital enhancements are nice, but typically they're lost on the majority of repeat watchers or else completely unnoticed by newcomers to the film. In

this case, I question Spielberg's motivation for putting time and effort into technically enhancing small details of a movie driven by simplicity. The film engages entire audiences, not just children, by bringing unbelievable circumstances into a realistic world and then resolving the differences. That fancy computing now exists to make E.T. more demonstrative is irrelevant.

MR: You're right, for all its enhancements, the joy of the movie still emanates from the original footage. I could have done without all the added bonuses and just enjoyed the excitement of seeing the movie on the big screen for the first time, but I don't blame Spielberg. He's not doing it for the money — he doesn't need it. Plus, he already has a full plate of projects stacking up. I'm giving him the benefit of the doubt and believing that he really wanted to go back and improve his early masterpiece.

PC: Then I'm giving him the benefit of the doubt on any mistakes or miscues in the first version, which I'm sure was produced as well as Spielberg could produce it at the time. Do we want to keep giving filmmakers the leeway of a revisionist production clause on all of their works? Film is shot to freeze life, as Robert Redford said just recently at the Oscars. If anyone's going to freeze and unfreeze frames, it should be Zack Morris. Otherwise, the grasp that movies have over time is an artistic quality that audiences concede to the medium and one that I don't need

betrayed by directors retroactively checking over things. "E.T." belongs to a certain epoch in both movie history and the creative evolution of Steven Spielberg. You can't consider the artist as a young man if he can go back and remove the charming fingerprints of his learning curve.

MR: I don't think he's trying to correct the mistakes as much as strengthen the charms. And with or without the changes, the film stands on its own as arguably the best children's movie of all time — the non-animated one, for sure. Some might criticize the film for its exaggeration of authority figures; the scientists look like an army of evil spacemen and an entire police force is devoted to chasing some teenagers on bicycles, but their extremism clearly portrays how the frightened children perceive them. It's reminiscent of "The Christmas Story," where Ralph imagines Santa as a nasty brute. Both films rely on a youthful perspective to enrich their story.

PC: Only "E.T." is not a just a great children's movie, it's simply a great movie. I say this because I enjoyed it, for the first time, 16 years after I was supposed to. The re-release ironically comes in the same year in which the inaugural Oscar for Best Animated Feature seemingly creates a new template for ambitious children's filmmaking, but gets by with classic storytelling rather than glamorous effects. I like that E.T. comes off looking a bit like a puppet, the same way that I like the diminutive cartoonish nature of Little Mac fighting a gargantuan Mike Tyson on Nintendo's "Mike Tyson's Punch-out." Flashy digitization does not a great movie make and certainly does not take the place of timely and poignant emotion.

MR: For all its glory, though, I wonder if parents ever complained that the children set a bad example. They smoke, get drunk and have quite the vulgar vocabulary for their age. This is a movie that added the phrase "penis-breath" to the typical eight-year-old lexicon.

PC: Those aren't half as obnoxious as the corny product placements scattered throughout the movie. By the way, "Why not take a time out from reading this review and enjoy an ice cold Coke?"

MR: But really, that's nitpicking isn't it? As is the case in most "children's films," there is a temptation for adults to dismiss "E.T." as juvenile or perhaps one long market ploy. While the sales of action figures, lunchboxes and Reese's Pieces may have skyrocketed following its release, "E.T." remains perhaps the best example of the cinema addressing an adult theme from a child's perspective.

PC: Not that it doesn't have roots in the canon of classic imaginary tales; pursuing the wonder of childhood while peddling across the sky echoes "Peter Pan," while the spaceman motifs (and Elliot's platoon of Star Wars action figures) is Spielberg's shout-out to his buddy George Lucas. Hiding the faces of the authority figures hinted at the teacher from Charlie Brown. The narrative Spielberg ultimately creates is like a Dutch door: It opens through two portions but is not fully accessible until both its halves align at the film's end. Who says this director has "zero charisma"?

MR: Only a real "cinus supremis."

When they're not debating the virtues of recycled cinema, Mel and Paul are busy freeing the frogs in Nieuwland Science Lab. They can be reached at mrauch@nd.edu and pcamarat@nd.edu.



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"E.T.: the Extra-Terrestrial" is one of the best children's movies ever made. The re-release demonstrates Spielberg's drive to touch up one of his early masterpieces.

NBA

Without Martin, Nets still down 76ers 88-80

◆ Jefferson scores 20 points to lead N.J. to victory

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

Richard Jefferson is making the absence of Kenyon Martin a bit more bearable for the New Jersey Nets.

With Martin serving the final game of a two-game suspension, Jefferson filled the void, scoring 18 of his 20 points in the second half to lead the Nets to an 88-80 victory the Philadelphia 76ers.

"[Jefferson] is doing a great job, he's grown up fast," Nets coach Byron Scott said. "He's a rookie with a lot of ability who has learned on the job."

Jefferson, a rookie making his eighth start, led the Nets in scoring for the second straight game. Martin also missed New Jersey's 103-77 loss in Atlanta on Tuesday, the Nets' most lopsided loss of the season.

New Jersey beat the defending Eastern Conference champions for the first time in three games this season.

"I don't know if one game is going to do it, but I think they have to have a little more respect for us after tonight," Scott said. "This was a big win for us to let them know that we can beat them."

The Sixers slipped to 1-9 this season without Allen Iverson, who likely will miss the remainder of the regular season with a broken left hand.

Jason Kidd had 14 points and 10 assists, and Kerry Kittles, Aaron Williams and Jason Collins each scored 10 for the Nets, who won for the fourth time in five games.

"They all hurt us and we hurt ourselves too," Sixers coach Larry Brown said. "They just handled the game. They went 5-for-25 [from the field in the first quarter] and we didn't take advantage."

Eric Snow scored 21 points,

Derrick Coleman 13 and Dikembe Mutombo 12 for Philadelphia, which had its two-game winning streak snapped.

After Philadelphia pulled to within six at 68-62 with 9 minutes left, New Jersey scored 10 of the next 16 points to open up a 10-point lead with 5:47 left. Consecutive layups by Collins made it 78-68.

The Sixers never got closer than seven points the rest of the way.

The Nets scored 13 of the first 16 points of the third quarter, including two spectacular alley-oop dunks by Jefferson, who had six in the run, opening up a 51-37 lead with 8:11 left in the quarter.

A layup by Kidd gave New Jersey a 60-44 lead, their biggest of the game.

Philadelphia then went on a 10-0 run, with Snow scoring six and Coleman four. The Nets scored six of the last

eight points to lead 66-56 after three.

Both teams struggled in the first quarter, with New Jersey shooting 5-for-25 from the field. The Nets outscored Philadelphia by 10 in the second quarter and built a 38-34 lead by the break.

"After that first quarter, we just wanted to weather their storm," Jefferson said. "We knew we would make our regular run if we could hold on."

Suns 118, Lakers 106

Shawn Marion scored 32 points and matched his season high with 18 rebounds as the Phoenix Suns erupted for their biggest scoring night of the season over the Los Angeles Lakers.

The Lakers, 3-3 in their last six games, fell a game behind Sacramento for the best record in the NBA.

Stephon Marbury had 26 points and 11 assists, including a fastbreak lob that Marion soared to stuff one-handed to put Phoenix up 114-101 with 1:47 to play.

Jake Tsakalidis, coming off a

career-high 23 points against Cleveland two nights earlier, added 19 points and 10 rebounds for Phoenix, fighting Shaquille O'Neal to a virtual standoff. O'Neal had 24 points, 10 in the fourth quarter, and 11 rebounds but was just 4-for-15 from the foul line.

Kobe Bryant scored 36, including 18 free throws — most by anyone in the NBA this season — in 20 attempts. But he was scoreless in the fourth quarter, when the Suns outscored Los Angeles 33-23.

The Suns, six games out of the final playoff spot in the West, have won three in a row for the first time since Dec. 29.

O'Neal didn't take a shot in the second half until his hook with 9:35 to play triggered a 6-0 spurt that cut the Suns' lead to 92-91 on Lindsey Hunter's 15-footer with 8:35 to go.

Dan Majerle sank three of five 3-pointers for Phoenix, the last one to cap a 13-3 run that put the Suns up 107-96 with 3:46 remaining. Penny Hardaway, relegated to a reserve role in recent weeks, scored four of his 11 during the run. Alton Ford also scored 11.

Robert Horry began the game by making three wide-open 3-pointers, followed by a left-handed dunk on a drive. Derek Fisher's 3-pointer gave the Lakers a 22-10 lead halfway through the first quarter.

Marbury scored 10 in a 21-8 run that cut the lead to 32-31 on Ford's three-point play with 33.2 seconds left in the quarter. Phoenix went up 43-39 with a 6-0 spurt capped by Hardaway's 10-footer from the baseline with 7:03 left in the half. Marion's left-handed tip-in of his miss started the run, then Hardaway's steal set up Milt Palacio's layup to give Phoenix its first lead, 41-39, with 7:31 to go in the half.

The Suns, who shot 65 percent (13-for-20) in the second quarter, outscored the Lakers 11-5 over the last three minutes of the half to go up 62-56 at the break.

Knicks 89, Pistons 82

Lavor Postell scored a career-high 20 points in 22 minutes to lead the New York Knicks to a victory over the Detroit Pistons.

Kurt Thomas added 18 points and Latrell Sprewell scored 17 for the Knicks, who snapped a three-game losing streak.

New York was without Allan Houston and Othella Harrington, who were sidelined with ankle sprains.

Ben Wallace led the Pistons with 12 points, 20 rebounds and eight blocks. Jerry Stackhouse and Chucky Atkins each scored 18 points for Detroit, which lost for just the second time in eight games and squandered a chance to complete its first season sweep of the Knicks since 1989-90.

Postell, who had not scored more than seven points in a game this season, scored 15 points in the first half as the Knicks moved out to a 52-48 lead.

The Pistons, behind a 9-2 run, took a one-point lead late in the third, but the Knicks regained the lead and moved out to a 71-63 advantage by the end of the period.

Corliss Williamson scored eight points in the first five minutes of the fourth quarter as Detroit pulled within 77-76.

The Pistons seized the lead with 4:31 left, before Travis Knight made a pair of free throws to give the Knicks a 79-78 lead with 3:44 remaining.

Sprewell hit a 3-pointer to extend the Knicks' lead to 82-78, and the Pistons missed five consecutive shots down the stretch.

Hornets 111, Magic 104

Jamaal Magloire scored 21 points and Jamal Mashburn added 20 as the Charlotte Hornets extended their winning streak to seven games with a victory over the Orlando Magic.

Magloire, filling in for injured starting center Elden Campbell, shot 8-for-11 from the field and finished one point short of his career high.

Mashburn, who added nine rebounds and eight assists,

made a 3-pointer in the final minute to help seal the victory.

The Hornets continued their late-season surge and beat Orlando for the third time in four games this season, securing the tiebreak edge over the Magic.

Tracy McGrady and Troy Hudson each scored 25 points to lead the Magic, who lost to Charlotte for the second time in a week and lost for the third time in four games overall.

Charlotte held a 105-101 lead when Baron Davis passed to Mashburn, who made a 3-pointer from the right wing with 33.2 second remaining to put the game out of reach.

The Hornets never trailed, shooting 56 percent in the game and scoring 52 points in the paint. Charlotte outrebounded Orlando 40-35.

Leading 79-73 at the start of the fourth quarter, Charlotte added to its advantage with an 11-3 run, capped by a dunk by Lee Nailon with 8:34 left.

The Magic countered with a 19-6 run that included a 3-pointer and four free throws by Hudson. A 3-pointer by Pat Garrity rallied the Magic within 96-95 with 4:37 left.

Charlotte made 11 of its first 13 shots, and a layup by Nailon gave the Hornets a 45-31 lead early in the second quarter.

Orlando closed the second quarter with a 6-0 run and received 15 first-half points from McGrady to pull within 58-52 at the break.

Celtics 102, Warriors 99

Paul Pierce scored four point in the last nine seconds and finished with 33 points, leading the Boston Celtics to a victory over the Golden State Warriors.

The Warriors rallied from an eight-point deficit in the last 1:24 and took a 99-98 lead when Gilbert Arenas made a 3-pointer with 15.1 seconds remaining.

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NHL

Three-goal comeback lifts Devils to 4-3 win

♦ Holik, Elias score one minute apart to lead N.J.

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH Bobby Holik and Patrik Elias scored less than a minute apart to cap a three-goal, third-period comeback that gave the New Jersey Devils a 4-3 win over the Pittsburgh Penguins.

The loss cost the Penguins a chance to move within four points of the Eastern Conference's final playoff spot.

Holik's second goal of the game tied the game at 3 at 14:03 and Elias put back Joe Nieuwendyk's rebound 49 seconds later for the game winner.

New Jersey is 7-1-0-1 in the last nine games.

The Devils were trailing 3-1 at 4:11 of the third when Nieuwendyk won a faceoff against Jan Hrdina and Stephane Richer beat Hedberg with a shot from the left point through traffic.

Pittsburgh's Randy Robitaille scored on the game's only power play at 1:24 of the third period. He deflected Alexei

Kovalev's shot from the right point past Martin Brodeur.

Aleksey Morozov scored at 2:18 of the second for a 2-1 Pittsburgh lead. He followed up on Hrdina's shot and put the rebound past Brodeur for his 19th.

In 24 career games against New Jersey, Morozov has 12 goals and 24 points. He has eight goals and 19 points in his last 13 games against the Devils.

Holik scored at 3:45 of the first period, rifling a shot past Hedberg from a sharp angle.

Jeff Toms tied the score at 1 less than two minutes later. He was in the slot and fired in Robitaille's pass.

Robitaille, who was claimed on waivers from Los Angeles on Jan. 4, has 11 points in his last seven games.

Flyers 4, Rangers 2

Brian Boucher stopped 25 shots to lead the Philadelphia Flyers to a victory over the New York Rangers.

The victory pulled the Flyers within two points of Boston for the top spot in the Eastern Conference. The Flyers have two games in hand on the Bruins.

Philadelphia went ahead 1-0 at 9:02 of the first period on Justin Williams' 16th goal. Williams, standing just to the right of Rangers goaltender Dan Blackburn, accepted a pass from behind the net from Marty Murray, then was stopped on a forehand shot before converting the rebound with his backhand.

Eric Desjardins scored a power-play goal at 18:33 of the second period to give Philadelphia a 2-0 lead. Desjardins took a point shot through traffic that deflected off of a New York player and eluded Blackburn.

The Rangers came to life in the third after Pavel Bure scored his 26th goal 38 seconds into the period. Bure one-timed a pass from Matthew Barnaby to pull New York to within 2-1. Boucher robbed Bure on a point-blank power play shot minutes later.

John LeClair made it 3-1 with his 24th at 10:09. After Blackburn made an initial save on a shot by Mark Recchi, LeClair swooped in on the rebound and beat the helpless Blackburn. LeClair appeared to score again at 12:24 but the goal was disallowed after a review showed LeClair directed

the puck into the net with his glove.

With the teams skating 4-on-4, Eric Lindros deflected a point shot by Brian Leetch from the slot past Bouchard for his 31st goal at 16:13 to move the Rangers to within a goal.

Keith Primeau completed the scoring with his 17th at 19:22 into an empty net.

Senators 4, Islanders 1

Martin Havlat scored two goals and had an assist and Patrick Lalime stopped 27 shots as the Ottawa Senators won for the first time in five games as they beat the New York Islanders. Marian Hossa and Benoit Brunet also scored for Ottawa, while Radek Bonk added a pair of assists.

The Senators moved to within two points of fourth-place Toronto in the Eastern Conference.

New York got its only goal from Mariusz Czerkawski. The loss snapped a three-game winning streak. Garth Snow, who made 31 saves in his first start at home since Jan. 24, missed picking up his 100th NHL career victory.

It only took 17 seconds for Ottawa to grab the lead. Hossa stripped the puck from Islander forward Shawn Bates at New York's blue line, moved left, waited for Snow to commit, and then flicked in a wide-angle wrist shot.

The Islanders capitalized on a two-man advantage to tie the game at 4:55 when Czerkawski, parked down low, tipped Alexei Yashin's one-timer past Lalime for his 20th goal this season.

Ottawa went back out in front

at 4:20 of the second period when Snow twice put clearing pokes on Senator sticks. He stopped Radek Bonk, but he couldn't do anything to stop Brunet, who took the puck on his backhand, switched to his forehand and nudged it into the net.

Havlat gave the Senators some breathing room 82 seconds into the final period when he broke in alone on Snow and snapped a shot between the goalie's pads. He added a power-play goal at 12:38 when he stole the puck from defenseman Kenny Jonsson behind the Islander net, moved up and quickly beat Snow with a backhand between the pads.

Wild 4, Thrashers 2

Andrew Brunette made a triumphant return to Atlanta with a goal and an assist as the Minnesota Wild defeated the Thrashers.

The Thrashers let Brunette go as a free agent last summer after he scored 38 goals in the team's first two seasons. In his first game back to Philips Arena, Brunette set up the first goal with a perfect cross-ice pass and scored the game-winner after a crafty move on goalie Frederic Cassivi.

Brunette, serving as Minnesota's rotating captain for March, has a 10-game points streak [5 goals, 12 assists].

The win was the second straight for Minnesota, and the fourth straight for goalie Dwayne Roloson. Atlanta, last in the NHL with 50 points, had a modest two-game winning streak end and has yet to win three in row all season.



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Holy Week

■ All locations: Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Holy Thursday

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Saturday Easter Vigil

9:00 p.m.

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Easter Sunday

8:00 a.m.

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10:00 a.m.

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12:00 p.m.

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Scripture Readings

1st Reading Acts 10:34a, 37-43

2nd Reading Col 3: 1-4

Gospel Jn 20:1-9

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The Easter Triduum & the Real Presence

Holy Week 101

■ by **Fr. Bill Wack, c.s.c.**

Director, Freshman Retreat Program

Today we begin our holiest season of the entire church year, the Easter Triduum. Everything we do for the rest of the year find their origin in the liturgies of the next three days. In truth, it's all one liturgy, broken up into three "parts":

1) Holy Thursday "The Mass of the Lord's Supper." We start the great liturgy by commemorating Jesus' Last Supper with the apostles in the Upper Room the night before he died for us. The Eucharist, which was instituted at that time, takes on an even more awesome significance. We also recognize in this meal that service is to be the mark of the true Christian. We remember that, in the midst of the supper, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and gave them the charge to do likewise. As we re-enact that action in our churches today, it still serves as a powerful reminder of how our faith should be lived.

It's not as though we are just watching these events unfold or are celebrating something that happened two millennia ago. We are active participants, for when we celebrate these things in the liturgy they become present to us and we to them. It is though we are being transported back into the Upper Room, the foot of the cross, and the entrance of the tomb. We are really there.

2) Good Friday "Passion of Jesus Christ." This service starts rather abruptly (in fact, it is a continuation of Thursday's liturgy), with the presider entering in silence and prostrating himself before the altar as a sign of humility. The next major element is the reading of the Passion of Jesus Christ according to the Gospel of John. Jesus is shown to us as one who is triumphant in the face of suffering and death. Then we pray for the needs of all the world (as we do every Sunday). And finally, all Christians are invited to venerate the cross of Christ, pledging our lives anew to "take up our crosses" and follow the Lord.

3) Easter Vigil. The whole Church gathers in darkness around a "new fire". A large candle is lit

from that fire and the light is shared with all. An ancient hymn, the "Exultet" is then sung, which tells of God's power over darkness and sin. The Liturgy of the Word is expanded on this night, giving a wonderful sense of the divine work over time. Then, those who have been preparing, through prayer and study, are baptized in the midst of the assembly, and others join in full Communion with the Church. The night is marked with lots of "Alleluias" and lights and signing and symbolism. If you have never experienced this incredible celebration, you are certainly missing out.

Herein we celebrate all that the Lord has done for us. He has given us a perfect model of service and humility, even to the giving of his life on a cross. He left us an everlasting memorial in the Eucharist. And he gives us new life in Baptism here on earth, and in the Resurrection to everlasting life.

I would urge you to celebrate these liturgies with your family or with our community at Notre Dame. If you are here for Easter Break, why not join us for these awesome liturgies at the Basilica or in the Church of Loretto at St. Mary's? We hate to boast (no we don't!) but Holy Week services here are something to behold. And they would be even better if you were to join us.

We shouldn't be mere spectators or bystanders in these liturgies. It's not as though we are just watching these events unfold or are celebrating something that happened two millennia ago. We are active participants, for when we celebrate these things in the liturgy they become present to us and we to them. It is though we are being transported back into the Upper Room, the foot of the cross, and the entrance of the tomb. We are really there.

That's what the Real Presence is all about. Every time we celebrate the Eucharist or another sacrament, we believe that Christ is really and truly present to us. It's not that we believe we are "re-crucifying" Christ. That would be absolutely horrible (and impossible). But at every Mass we know that we are brought into the original event of the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Then we are to take it to the world. We are to be the "real presence" of Christ for others. We do that first of all by giving over our lives in the service of others. We may not be called upon to die the way Jesus died, but we are all commanded to serve the rest. As we celebrate Easter this year, we want to become more Christ-like, affording hope and new life in the world in which we live.

May God bless you during this holiest of times.

CONSIDERATIONS...

SOCCER

Germany too much for U.S.A. in 4-2 win

Associated Press

ROSTOCK, Germany
Germany scored three goals in a 7-minute span to beat the United States 4-2 in an exhibition game to prepare the teams for the World Cup.

Clint Mathis scored both goals for the Americans, but their defense could not hold a German team depleted by injuries.

Mathis scored the first goal in the 17th minute, but Christian Ziege tied it in the 44th. Oliver Neuville, Oliver Bierhoff and Torsten Frings scored in quick succession starting in the 61st minute. Mathis got his second goal in the 70th minute.

"I thought the Germans played well, they dominated us physically," U.S. coach Bruce Arena said. "A couple of our guys bailed out on plays. ... They moved better, they thought better, they beat us in all phases of the game."

Germany, missing about half its likely World Cup roster because of injuries and other reasons, also lost key midfielder Michael Ballack, its top scorer in the qualifying, to a hamstring injury.

The United States, which lost to Germany 2-0 in the 1998 World Cup, was without captain Claudio Reyna, while forward Brian McBride and midfielder John O'Brien were on the bench because of injuries.

The match in this chilly Baltic port city was played with tight security. Hundreds of police and border troops checked the crowd of about 29,000 in Ostsee Stadium.

Ziege beat Tottenham Hotspur teammate Kasey Keller in the American goal early on, but Jeff Agoos cleared the ball off the line. Keller then had to charge off the line twice for diving saves to deny Oliver Bierhoff and Bernd Schneider.

Just as the Germans appeared to begin dominating, the Americans scored when Jovan Kirovski shook off Frank Baumann on the left side a slipped a pass to Mathis, who was unchallenged. His first effort bounced off the post and he tapped in the rebound past goalkeeper Frank Rost.

In the 24th, Mathis should have made it 2-0 but he drove the ball over the bar from six yards out. Ziege then tied it with a curling free kick over the defensive wall, a shot that went in off Keller's fingertips.

Neuville scored the go-ahead goal on a header, and Bierhoff got his 33rd international goal in 61 appearances off a pass from Schneider after Agoos failed to clear the ball.

Frings scored off a pass from Joerg Boehme. After Mathis' goal, U.S. coach Bruce Arena reshuffled his shaky defense, sending in Gregg Berhalter and Tony Sanneh for Agoos and Steve Cherundolo.



German Christian Ziege (bottom) clashes with Earnie Stewart (top) of the U.S. during their exhibition soccer match in northern Germany.

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BOXING

Tyson-Lewis fight set

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn.

Memphis wanted the attention, and Mike Tyson needed a place to fight. It took awhile, but the match was finally made.

Memphis ended up the winner in the bid to land Tyson's fight with heavyweight champion Lennox Lewis, getting a fight that Nevada rejected and several other states found objectionable.

One of the biggest fights in years was salvaged when promoters agreed for Tyson and Lewis to meet for the heavyweight title. It's not Las Vegas, but for Memphis it will be the big time.

"It certainly will boost the tourism awareness for that city," said John Wade, Tennessee's tourism commissioner.

A fight that could make more than \$100 million — and pay each fighter more than \$20 million — is now scheduled to take place at the 20,000-seat Pyramid arena, where ringside seats will fetch \$2,500.

And, unlike the New York press conference that caused the fight to be run out of Las Vegas when Tyson threw a punch and then a tantrum, the fighters will not get together for any prefight publicity this time around.

"We're not having any more press conferences with the two of them together," Tyson adviser Shelly Finkel said.

Weeks of trying to keep the fight alive culminated in an agreement for Lewis to defend his IBF and WBC heavyweight titles against the once-feared former champion.

The fight is an intriguing matchup of boxer versus puncher, though it might have lost some of its appeal as the two boxers argued for years over whether they should meet, and Tyson has been largely inactive.

"We now have close to 11 weeks before the fight and I believe everything is fine," Finkel said. "Mike is ready to fight."

The fight that was rejected by Nevada boxing officials after Tyson misbehaved at a January press conference ended up in Memphis after a road show in which it was

shopped to various cities around the country.

In some cities — including Washington, D.C., and Detroit — it was welcomed. In others, politicians gave Tyson a chilly reception and suggested promoters look elsewhere.

Memphis landed it with promises of a \$12.5 million site fee — not to mention a willingness to overlook Tyson antics that included a brawl and outburst at the January news conference first announcing the fight.

In return, the city hopes to gain a reputation as a major player in sports.

Those close to the negotiations said Memphis promoters still had not come up with the \$12.5 million letter of credit and may not be involved with the fight. The money obstacle reportedly was overcome when Tyson's camp agreed to take its money only after the Lewis camp was paid.

The much-shopped bout was in jeopardy as late as Friday when local promoters couldn't come up with the site fee after a bank refused to issue a letter of credit because of "moral issues."

Production representatives of the HBO and Showtime networks were in Memphis to tour the Pyramid arena in advance of the pay-per-view telecast.

The fight originally was going to be April 6 in Las Vegas, but Nevada boxing authorities refused to give Tyson a boxing license after an outburst at a January press conference.

Finkel said the delay will help sell the fight because considerable publicity has been generated while the fight was being shopped around and negotiated.

"We've had a seven-week commercial basically since the press conference in New

York," Finkel said.

Tyson and Lewis each are reportedly guaranteed \$17.5 million to fight for the IBF and WBC titles Lewis holds, and could earn millions more if the fight grabs the attention of the public.

Promoters also stand to make a bundle, with projections that the fight could gross \$100 million from the site fee and pay-per-view sales.

The fight not only had to be made Monday to meet the IBF deadline, but it was also facing other deadlines. Cable operators needed to keep the date open, and organizers generally need at least two months to properly promote the fight.

Lewis (39-2-1, 30 KOs), last fought on Nov. 17 when he stopped Hasim Rahman in the fourth round of their rematch. Tyson (49-3, 2 NC, 43 KOs) hasn't fought since beating Brian Nielsen in the seventh round on Oct. 13 in Copenhagen.

NCAA BASKETBALL

Thomas, Humphrey grab national awards

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame freshman point guard Chris Thomas has been selected the national freshman of the year by Basketball Times Magazine. Thomas is the first Notre Dame player to earn the freshman honor. In addition, senior forward Ryan Humphrey has been named to the Basketball Times all-Mideast team.

Thomas, the 2002 Big East Rookie of the Year and a third-team all-Big East selection, was the team's second-leading scorer in 2001-02 as he averaged 15.6 points per game. He set Notre Dame single-season marks for assists (252), steals (72) and average for steals per game (2.18). He also tied the single season assist average record (7.64), sharing that mark with Jackie Meehan (1970-71).

Thomas recorded the first triple-double in Notre Dame basketball when he scored 24 points, dished off 11 assists and made 11 steals in his first collegiate outing on Nov. 16 against New Hampshire. He scored in double figures in 24 games during the season and registered seven double-doubles. The six-time Big East Rookie of the Week honoree also scored 20-plus point in nine games and led the Irish in scoring on nine occasions.

Humphrey, a first-team all-Big East selection, averaged 18.9 points and 10.9 rebounds during the '01-'02 campaign as the team's leading scorer and rebounder. He also averaged 2.81 blocked shots and set the Notre Dame single-season blocked shots record with 87. In addition, his 2.77 career blocked-shot average set a new Irish career mark.



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NFL

Saints CB files for bankruptcy

♦ **Carter signed \$28 million deal last month**

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS, La. Cornerback Dale Carter, who signed a \$28 million contract with the New Orleans Saints earlier this month, has filed for bankruptcy.

Carter was in Miami bankruptcy court for a meeting with creditors this week. He filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy on Feb. 15, listing his debts to more than 20 creditors as \$4.9 million, his assets as more than \$1 million.

Carter, who missed 18 months of football the past two seasons because of drug suspensions, and his attorney met with representatives of two of the creditors — the Denver Broncos and the NFL Management Association, which was there on behalf of the NFL team — and James Fierberg, a lawyer with Berger and Singerman of Miami.

Fierberg is representing the court-appointed trustee in the case, Corali Lopez-Castro, whose job is to liquidate Carter's property and distribute it to his creditors.

"[Carter] was there to answer some very specific questions concerning his

assets," Fierberg said. "There are a lot of questions left to answer. I asked him to produce a lot of documents, and he deferred to his agent, so I'll have to talk to his agent."

Kevin Gleason, Carter's attorney, and Mitch Frankel, his agent, could not be reached for comment.

Saints general manager Randy Mueller said the issue was a private matter that doesn't affect Carter's relationship with the Saints.

Carter signed a four-year, \$22.8 million contract with the Broncos in 1999 that included a \$7.8 million signing bonus. He played the 1999 season and received \$1.835 million in salary and bonus. He was suspended by the NFL for the 2000 season and signed last year at mid-season with the Minnesota Vikings, earning \$267,000.

The Broncos contend Carter owes them \$4 million in back bonus money because he played just one season. Among the other creditors are the Internal Revenue Service; a Georgia travel agency, which is owed \$15,000 by Carter's management agency, Impact Sports; and Miami lawyer Susan Van Dusen, who says Carter owes her \$2,000 for legal advice. IRS spokesman Mike Dobzinski would not disclose how much the government agency is owed or how far back the debt goes.

It's possible that Carter will have to pay only the IRS.

MLB

Cubs land closer in deal

♦ **Alfonseca had 28 saves, 3.06 ERA last season**

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Fla.

The Chicago Cubs got a much-needed closer in Antonio Alfonseca. The Florida Marlins got some much-wanted payroll flexibility.

The Cubs, desperate for a relief ace since Tom Gordon was injured, acquired Alfonseca and pitcher Matt Clement from the Marlins in a six-player trade.

Florida got pitcher Julian Tavarez and three minor leaguers — pitchers Jose Cueto and Dontrelle Willis and catcher Ryan Jorgensen.

Alfonseca, who will make \$3.55 million this season, led the majors with 45 saves in 2000. He had 28 saves and a career-best 3.06 ERA last season despite pitching with back pain much of the season.

"Alfonseca is a proven guy in the ninth inning," said Jim Hendry, the Cubs' vice president of player personnel. "It's just a chance to add a quality person late in the game."

While Alfonseca left camp without extensive comment "I've got nothing to say," — Clement cleaned out his locker, then aired out his feelings about the Marlins.

The trade made little sense to Clement, and it may have signaled the start of another payroll purge for the floundering Marlins.

The team says it needs a new

ballpark to increase revenue and be able to keep the young and talented team intact. New owner Jeffrey Loria says he is committed to making baseball work in South Florida, but the trade seemed to indicate otherwise.

"You wouldn't think a team that's 29th in salary would be trimming payroll, but obviously that's their motive," said Clement, who will make \$2.5 million this season. "I don't have too much to say, but as a whole I'm not very impressed with the Marlins organization. I'm very impressed with the new staff, but I can't say anything good about the organization from the top other than I got to play with a lot of good teammates and friends."

"It doesn't take me to spell it out. It looks to me like it's a matter of time before the rest of the boys start going right along with me."

Marlins general manager Larry Beinfest refused to discuss the payroll move, other than to say it gave the team flexibility for the future.

Of course, this is the same franchise that won the 1997 World Series, then dismantled the talent-laden lineup by unloading Al Leiter, Kevin Brown, Robb Nen, Livan Hernandez, Moises Alou, Gary Sheffield, Charles Johnson, Edgar Renteria and others.

Is it happening again? "This was something we did on the baseball side. I would let you editorialize that as you want," Beinfest said. "You can call it whatever you want, certainly it did allow for some payroll flexibility. It was a move we thought we wanted to make and we made it."

The deal made perfect sense for the Cubs. They have been looking for a closer since March 5, when Gordon tore a muscle in his shoulder. Though Gordon said last week he hoped to be back as early as May, he's not expected back for at least three months, possibly longer.

Chicago tried to lure Jeff Shaw out of retirement, but couldn't come to an agreement. Splitting closer duties between Jeff Fassero and the hard-throwing Kyle Farnsworth was another option, but Farnsworth is just 3-of-9 in career save situations.

Alfonseca had surgery in October to repair a bulging disc in his back, but Hendry said there don't appear to be any lingering effects from it. The Cubs have watched Alfonseca pitch in his last four outings and he looks good, Hendry said.

"He seems to be ready to go," Hendry said. "He's showing no sign of restriction. He's nice and loose, his arm action is good."

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Women

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singles by the score of 6-3, 6-1 to close the gap to 2-1.

The score was then evened at two apiece when the Illini's Tiffany Elkov prevailed over the Irish's Nina Vaughan 6-4, 7-5.

Fortunately for the Irish, Salas continued her trend of earning important wins this season, downing Illinois' Kate Boomershine in a 6-3, 7-6 (8-6) nail-biter.

With a 3-2 lead, junior Katie Cunha made sure it didn't get any closer than that, topping Cynthia Goulet for a 6-4, 6-4 win and the clinching point in the match.

"Katie didn't play as well as she could have today, but she stuck with it," said Louderback. "She made the other girl return a lot of balls and eventually she gutted it out for us."

With one tough win behind them, the Irish can now set their sights on the difficult road ahead. The team will spend its Easter break in North Carolina playing matches against tough squads from Duke, Wake Forest and North Carolina.

All three schools are ranked in the top 10 and Louderback is excited about the prospect of playing higher-level competition.

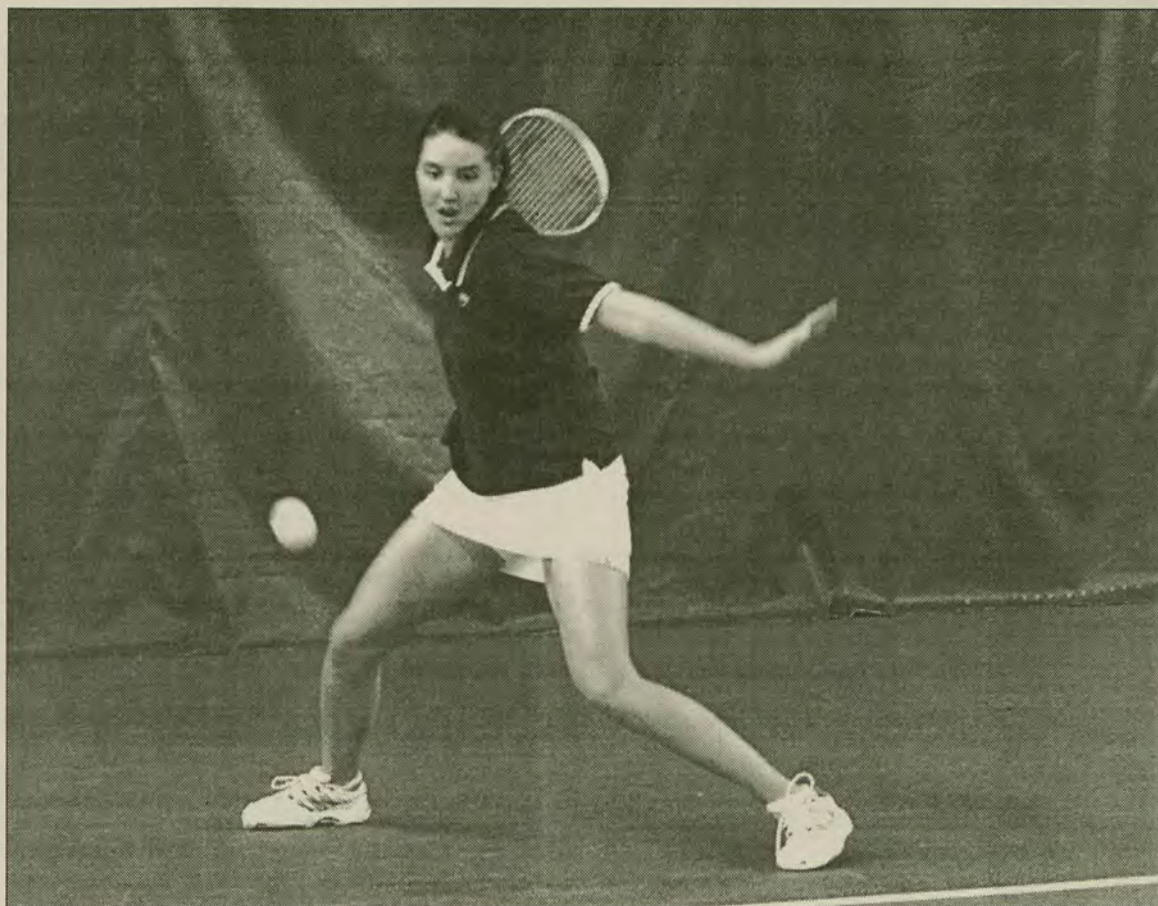
"As far as I'm concerned, there aren't any great teams in the country just a lot of really good teams," he said. "I think we can play with all of these teams and maybe cause an upset or two of our own."

One motivating factor for the Irish may be the hope of redemption. Earlier in the season, the Irish dropped an embarrassing 6-1 match to North Carolina at the National Indoor Championships in Madison, Wis.

With the Tar Heels third on the team's menu this weekend, the Irish should be well prepared for a rematch.

"We've been looking forward to playing them," said Louderback. "I think it will be a good chance to prove ourselves, and the fact that they are ranked so far ahead of us might take a little bit of the pressure off."

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Sophomore Alicia Salas hits a shot during a recent match this season. The Irish won a close contest against Illinois 4-3 on Wednesday afternoon.

SMC TENNIS

Belles battle MIAA opponent Comets

♦ Saint Mary's returns to court after week off

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The Saint Mary's tennis team should have a smooth transition back into competition after a week-long break. The Belles will face the Olivet Comets Monday after taking a week off from MIAA play.

The eighth-place Comets, who lost 9-0 to the Belles in their last face off, should pre-

sent no physical challenge to the Belles. However, Saint Mary's will have to stay focused on its mental game to play up to potential.

"Sometimes schools like that are the hardest to beat," said sophomore Kaitlin Cutler. "The players aren't as strong and you sink to their level and lose your focus. You have to go in with the same focus."

Saint Mary's hasn't played a match since the team's 7-2 victory against Albion on Saturday. Albion, who was ranked second in the MIAA, proved to be tough competition for the Belles despite the

score. The difficult win over Albion, followed by Monday's less-difficult match against Olivet, should get Saint Mary's ready for the rest of the season.

"I think it helps sometimes but I feel like the season is going to be the tough competition will be equal — a tough match and an easier match," Cutler said. "We haven't played since Saturday so it will be nice to have a not real tough one."

Despite the fact that this match should not present the Belles with problems they can't handle, they do have

goals they hope to reach. As they head into their second game of the season as defending MIAA Champions, another shut-out victory would help team morale.

"Probably just to win 9-0 and to get as much out of it as we can," Cutler said. "We haven't played outside in a while so [we're] getting used to the wind. After this we kind of start all of our matches so it will be good to play outside and try to stay focused."

Olivet is returning six players from last season and the Belles will be starting all but one of the women that faced

off against the Comets last season. However, after Natalie Cook graduated from No. 2 singles, the Saint Mary's tennis players have all switched positions and will be facing the same women, but at different positions.

Saint Mary will have four days off from practice to go home for the Easter holiday before returning on Monday.

The match will begin at 3 p.m. Monday at Olivet.

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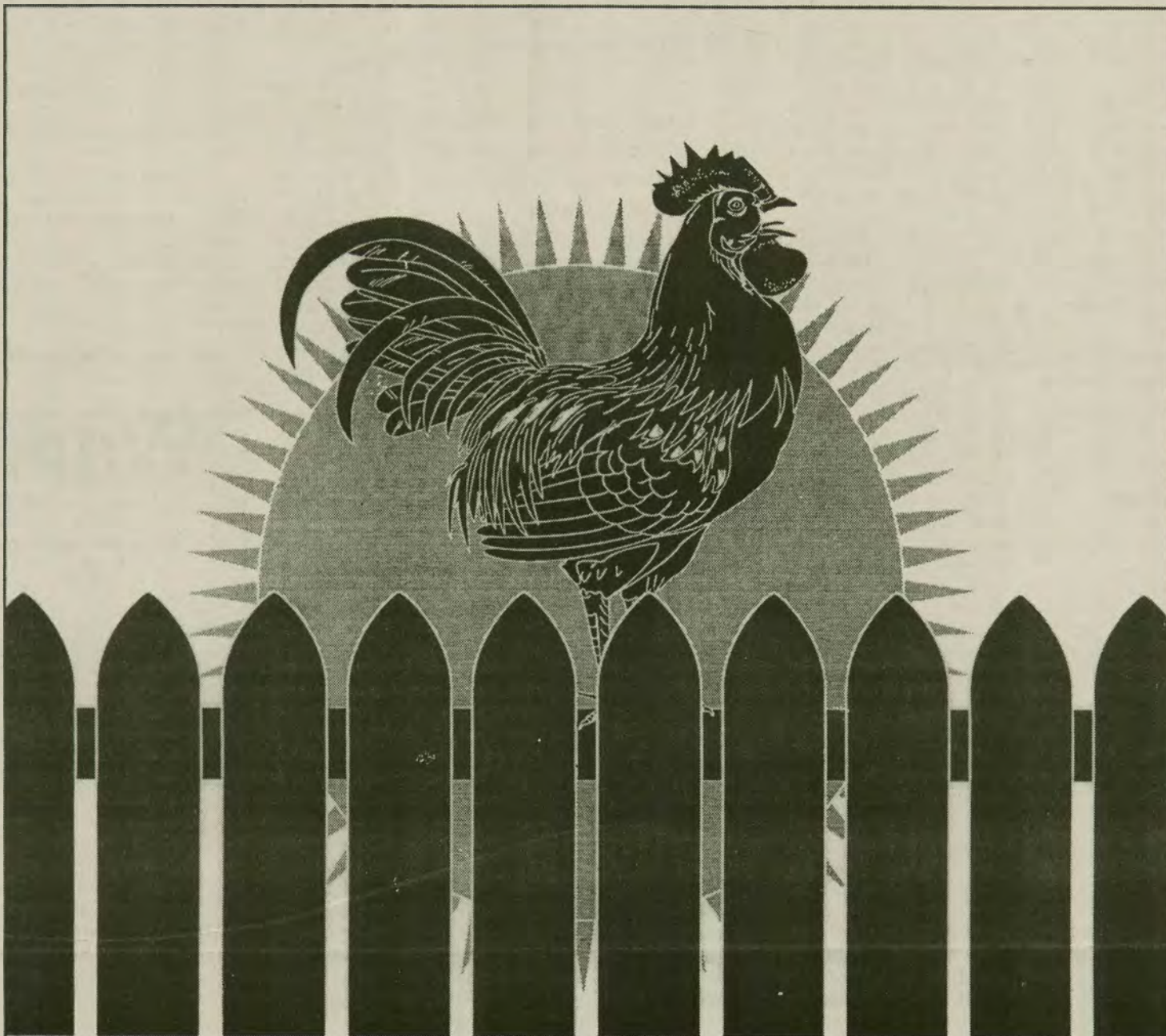
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believed what they said, though, is in doubt.

"I think we all thought that we were a lot better than they were," said Taborga. "To be honest with you, I thought that we were tough enough that if we were playing bad we could win the match. Apparently, that wasn't so. I think that everyone's really disappointed."

Bayliss stopped short of saying the Irish were too complacent, but warned of the dangers of any smugness resulting from high rankings or past performances.

"I can't read what's in other people's minds. I think some of our guys were surprised. I wasn't shocked," Bayliss said. "I think you always have to guard against [complacency]."

"I do think some of the guys have gotten wrapped up in [the rankings]. It's difficult not to become too outcome-oriented. If you become that way, I think it sets you up for a fall."

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"We've always had great games with West Virginia," O'Connor said. "It's always seemed whether it's been at Notre Dame or West Virginia that it's been a great game. They usually come down to the end of the game, and it's often a one or two run game."

Last season, the Irish swept the doubleheader at home from the Mountaineers 4-1 and 8-1, but those victories came largely on the efforts of two complete game performances from pitchers Aaron Heilman and Danny Tamayo, who have since graduated.

On Saturday, the Irish square off against Georgetown, who has had a much rougher time this season than either Notre Dame or West Virginia. The Hoyas began the season 0-7, and since then have moved on to a 7-21 record while going 1-2 in their first three conference games.

Irish pitchers should be more experienced against this Georgetown squad as starters J.P. Gagne and Drew Duff pitched 12 out of 16 possible innings in Notre Dame's two victories last season over a Georgetown team that went 17-39. Overall, the Irish hold a 16-2 advantage in competition against the Hoyas.

These four games are the last of 22 consecutive away games for the Irish to start the season. The Irish hope to do well in these last road games before returning to South Bend for an 11-game home stand beginning with BYU Monday.

"These are big games. Every game is big," O'Connor said. "But we're going on the road, and we have four conference games on the road. We need to decide what it takes for us to win and get the job done."

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SOFTBALL

Softball hoping to top Loyola-Chicago

By AARON RONSHEIM
Sports Writer

When the Irish face off against Loyola-Chicago this weekend they will see a familiar face in the opposing dugout.

Stephanie Henderson, former Irish assistant coach, is now the head coach of the Ramblers. Henderson coached at Notre Dame with current Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf when they were both assistants under former Irish head coach Liz Miller.

"I love playing against Stephanie," Gumpf said. "She is a great coach. She has done really good things for Loyola. They are a lot tougher team than they were a few years ago."

While at Notre Dame Henderson was the hitting coach and worked with the infielders.

Captain Jenny Kriech was a

freshman when Henderson coached for the Irish.

"She was very enthusiastic and knew how to motivate us before the games," Kriech said. "She was a very good hitting coach. She knew what I needed to do in order to be able to hit college pitching."

Last year Henderson was named the Midwestern Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year while leading the Ramblers to a conference championship.

"[Henderson] is a great coach. She has done really good things for Loyola."

Deanna Gumpf
head coach

Under Henderson, the Ramblers have compiled 21-8 record at home, something that could be a factor this week-

end. Even though the Ramblers have started the season 7-12, pitchers Sarah Smith and Mia Pangere each have an earned run average under two.

Before traveling to Chicago, the Irish will take their 8-12 record to Pittsburgh for a

doubleheader on Saturday afternoon against the Panthers. This will be the first Big East opponent the Irish have faced this season because last weekend's games against Villanova and Rutgers were postponed.

Because of the inclement weather, the Irish have not played a game for two weeks.

"Coach might be a little anxious about us not playing, but we were able to get some time on the field last Sunday and took some balls off the dirt," said Kriech. "Plus we have been able hit off live pitching. I don't think it will be a problem. We are all ready to start Big East play."

Pittsburgh has a record of 10-16 with a 0-2 record in the Big East. After a slow start the Panthers have responded by winning seven of their past nine. Those two losses came against Rutgers Tuesday.

The Irish will most likely face Nikki Gasti, the Big East

Pitcher of the Week, and Gina Bessolo when they face the Panthers Saturday. Gasti is 6-7 with a 3.11 ERA and Bessolo

is 3-6 and an ERA of 2.86. On offense, the Panthers are led by Katie Mitchell, she has a .296 average, three home runs

and 17 RBIs to start the season.

The main offensive threat for the Irish this year has been third basemen Andrea Loman. Loman is leading the team with a .327 average, two homeruns and seven RBIs. Loman has also played superbly in the field. She has only committed two errors in 79 chances while manning the hot corner for the Irish.

"Andrea Loman has been amazing," Gumpf said. "She has made plays that you would never see anyone else make. She has stepped up in critical situations."

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Deanna Gumpf
head coach

Over the last six seasons the Irish have dominated Big East play with a 98-10 record in conference games. There is no doubt that the Irish have the talent to continue their impressive record in Big East play.

"Every year we have had success in the Big East and I don't see why that success can't continue this year even though we haven't had the best pre-season," Kriech said.

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- 5:00 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer, Coleman-Morse Center
- 6:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. Adoration in the Lady Chapel, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 7:00 p.m. Confessions, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 7:00 p.m. ND Cinema: *Ghost World*, Hesburgh Library Auditorium
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- 12:00 p.m. Confessions, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 1:00 p.m. Confessions, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 7:00 p.m. Confessions, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
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Saturday, March 30 Holy Saturday

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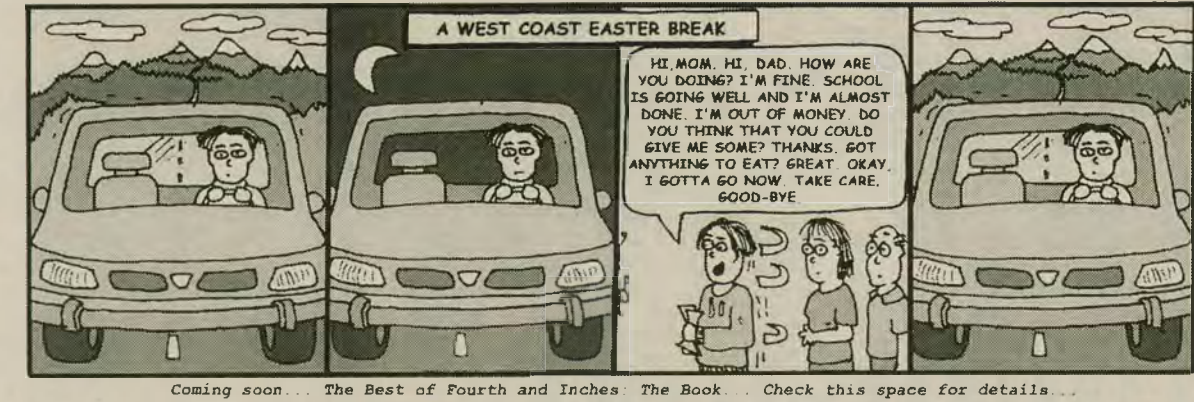
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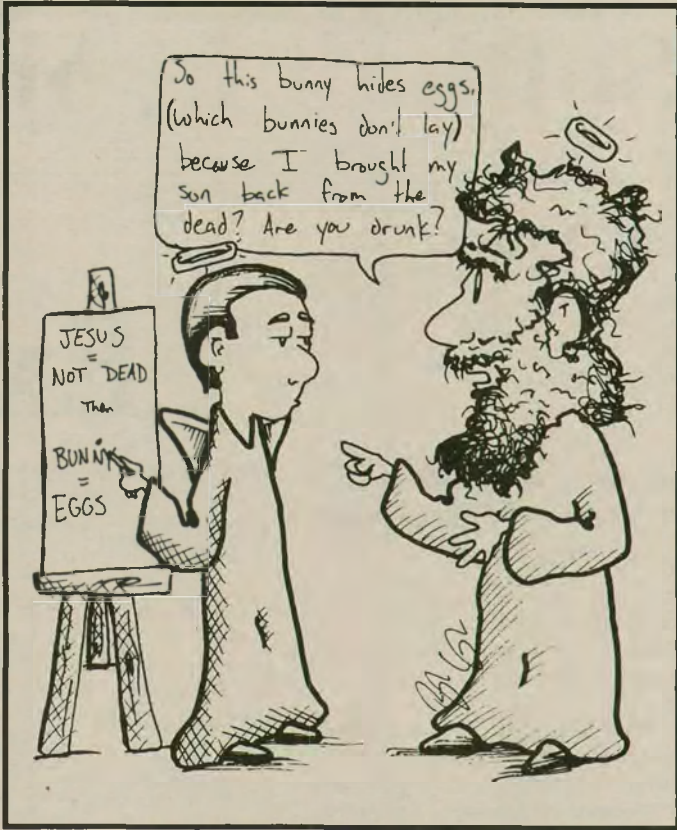
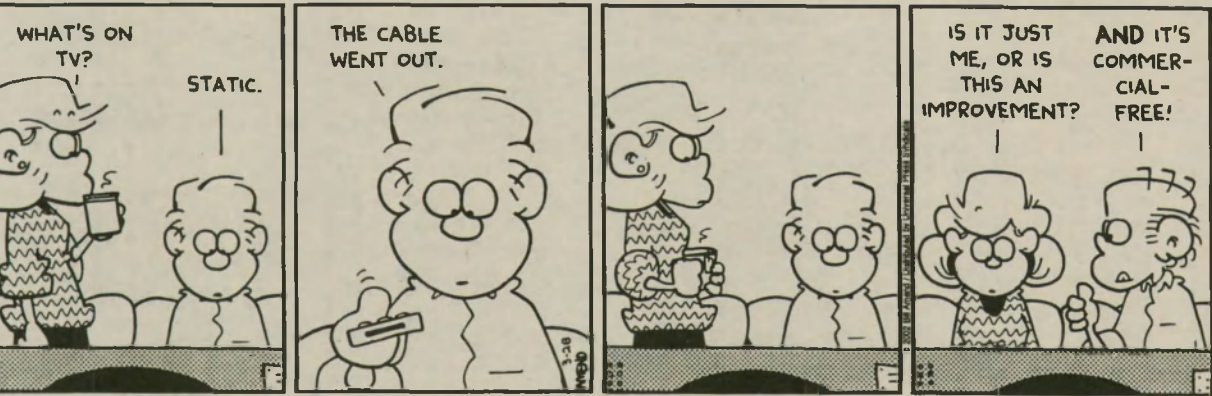
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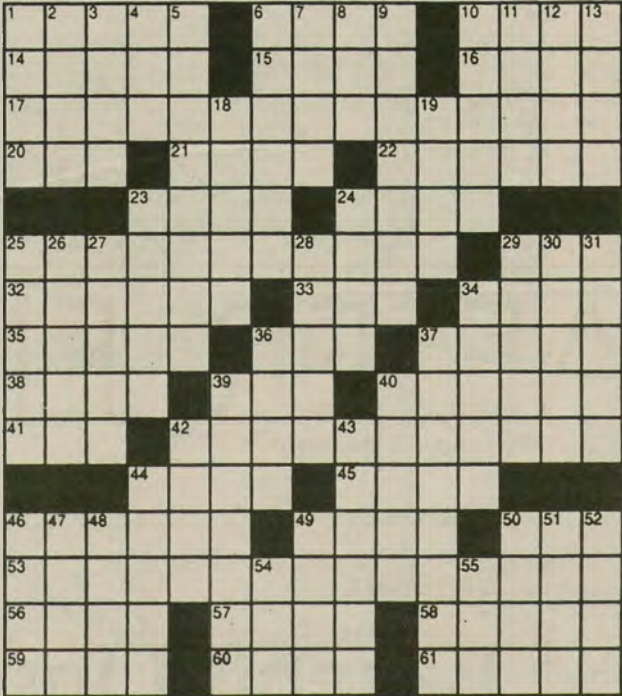
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- 42 Weightlifter's lift
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CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may feel like making alterations to your home but think again. You are likely to overspend on something that you don't really need. If you are prudent now you will have less to worry about later on.

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SPORTS

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MEN'S TENNIS

Extinguished

◆ No. 4 Irish upset by Michigan 4-3 on road

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's tennis team moved up from seventh to fourth in the national rankings Wednesday morning but fell to No. 46 Michigan on Wednesday afternoon 4-3 in Ann Arbor, Mich.

The Irish started the match trailing early when seniors James Malhame and Ashok Raju lost to Henry Beam and Matt Lockin, 8-6. Then Michigan's Greg Novak and Anthony Jackson clinched the doubles point with their 9-5 victory over Brent D'Amico and Aaron Talarico. Winning the doubles point set the tone for the rest of the match.

Although Irish coach Bob Bayliss acknowledges that teams can have their bad days,

both he and his squad are seriously concerned about Wednesday's performance, as well as with their recent doubles play.

"Some days you're the dog and some days you're the fire hydrant," Irish coach Bob Bayliss said. "Today we were the fire hydrant."

Concerned may not be a strong enough adjective for the players, though. The Irish are angry.

"We know that we are ranked really high and that it took a lot of effort from many people to

get where we are and just to blow it out in one match is disappointing," senior Javier Taborga said.

Michigan may have been ranked 46th, but before arriv-

ing in Ann Arbor, Notre Dame talked about what a challenge the Wolverines would be.

"We prepared for it. We said all the right things," Bayliss said.

Whether the team really

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BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Senior Javier Taborga returns a shot during a recent match. The Irish were upset by No. 46 Michigan 4-3 last night.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

No. 23 Irish barely squeak by Illinois 4-3

By COLIN BOYLAN
Sports Writer

The No. 23 Notre Dame women's tennis team thought they needed a close match against tough competition to prepare them for the stretch run of the spring season. On Wednesday, they got their wish by earning a tough 4-3 decision over No. 65 Illinois.

The win improves the Irish to 11-7 on the season, while Illinois drops to 7-11.

"I'm proud of the way we fought in this one," said Irish head coach Jay Louderback. "The key for us was winning the doubles point. It made a big difference getting out to that 1-0 lead."

The Irish jumped out to a quick advantage on the doubles side when Sarah Jane Connelly

and Alicia Salas topped the Illini's Michelle Webb and Eldina Fazlic 8-3. The win gave the tandem their 10th doubles victory in 11 tries this season. Moments later, the 30th-ranked team of Becky Varnum and Lindsey Green wrapped up the point with an 8-3 victory of their own.

Once singles action began, Green wasted no time disposing of the Illini's Eva Choe at the No. 3 spot, winning handily 6-1, 6-0.

"Linsley's quick victory was really important because it gave us a 2-0 lead and that really helped our confidence," said Louderback.

The two-point cushion wouldn't last for long. Illinois' Jennifer McGaffigan snapped out of a six-match skid to beat Notre Dame's Varnum at No.1

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BASEBALL

Baseball looks to rebound

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Editor

After a disappointing 0-3 weekend to kick off the Big East season, the Irish baseball team hopes to rebound with a pair of conference doubleheaders on the road at West Virginia and Georgetown over Easter Break.

For only the second time since joining the Big East Conference in baseball, the Irish were swept in a three-game series last weekend. At Connecticut, the Irish suffered some defensive troubles and the inability to come up with big hits in the clutch.

Over the weekend, the Irish committed seven errors and stranded 31 base runners. The team hopes to improve these numbers if it is to return to the success

that it enjoyed last season in winning the Big East regular season title.

"The biggest thing we have to work on as a team is sewing up our infield defense and hitting in the clutch," Brian O'Connor, associate head coach, said.

The bats have been alive for the Irish as they out hit the Huskies 32 to 26, but the team was still outscored by nine runs in the series. With three players — seniors Steve Stanley, Andrew Bushey, and Brian Stavisky — hitting .400 or better, the Irish hold a respectable team batting average of .286. The major gap appears in the team's 4.12 earned run average and .284 opponents' batting average compared to last year's low marks of 3.22 for ERA and .246 for OBA.

The Irish return to conference play Thursday at West Virginia, slightly earlier than

the usual Saturday/Sunday three-game series, but O'Connor feels that the sooner the team can return to the field the better.

"I'm glad we're playing again on Thursday, and that we don't have to wait until Saturday because we need to get right back out there and start playing again," O'Connor said. "We need to go out there and win those games and have a chance to get right back into playing our best."

The Irish can expect a tough match up Thursday against West Virginia, as the Mountaineers bring another experienced squad that returns eight starters from last season. So far this year, West Virginia has gone 10-8, winning two of its first three Big East games last weekend against Georgetown.

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