

Officials progress with Sharon investigation

By TERESA FRALISH Assistant News Editor

One week after police identified Chad Sharon's body as the one found Feb. 12 in the St. Joseph River, officials are moving forward with the police

investigation and funeral n d a memorial arrangements for Sharon.

Sharon's body was discovered

under the Angela Bridge by construction workers on Feb. 12. Autopsy results indicated that the cause of death was drowning. The Fisher Hall freshman had been unaccounted for since he was last seen Dec. 12 at a party on

Sharon

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Rex Rakow, director of Notre Dame Security Police, said that it was not possible to establish an exact date or time of death for Sharon based on the autopsy results, but estimated that Sharon died "probably within a week or so" after his Dec. 12 disap-pearance. "You can make some pretty wide guesses [in this case]," said Rakow.

Rakow said members of his department had not yet met with the St. Joseph County Metro Homicide Police, but expected that such a meeting would take place within a week or two when the Homicide Police began to closely investigate Sharon's death.

"They're waiting for blood tests to come back to assess what might have been in his system," said Rakow.

The Metro Homicide Police will be responsible for the

investigation into Sharon's death, although Rakow said he expected to provide them with information concerning the missing persons case that NDSP had been investigating.

University officials have also finalized plans for funeral and memorial arrangements for Sharon. Funeral services for the Fisher freshman will be held Saturday at Bible Presbyterian Church in Merrill, Wis., near Sharon's hometown of Pelican Lake, Wis. Visitation hours will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and be immediately followed by a memorial service.

The University will provide transportation for students who want to attend the funeral, said Matt Storin, University spokesman. Buses are scheduled to leave from the library circle at 11:45 p.m. on Friday. In making the decision to provide such services for students. Storin said officials

considered past instances where the University had offered transportation to the funerals of other Notre Dame students.

Notre Dame officials have also planned a memorial Mass for Sharon to take place Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in the Basilica. Storin said the Sharon family would be available to talk with students and others before the Mass at 4 p.m. in the Lady Chapel of the Basilica and that Sharon's parents hope that those who knew their son personally will come forward as well as others who wish to express their sympathy.

'[The Sharons] are very taken with the family aspect of Notre Dame," said Storin. "It's open to any student who would like to express their condolences.'

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By SHANNON NELLIGAN News Writer

Increased student concern over the exorbitant price of textbooks and their medial buy back value has prompted student leaders to research new methods of book exchange.

According to Student Body Vice President Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl, the committee has been formed in conjunction with the Student Academic Council. The research on book values was extended from the investigation of senior comprehensives undertaken by student government earlier this year.

"SAC used to be involved with student buy back," Jablonski-Diehl said. "It used to provide a place for students to drop off their books and catalogue them for sale."

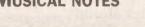
Technology The Department, with help from Mary Pauline Moran, student technology commissioner, is planning a new method for book returns that could involve a permanent place to sell books among the entire college community.

"It is hoped that this place will be established on the Virtual Village by the end of this semester to early next year," Jablonski-Diehl said.

The environmental community at Saint Mary's is also backing the setup of the virtual selling place. They believe that this will decrease the amount of paper products used for making posters on campus.

Vanderwerven, Sandy bookstore manager, was not aware of this new student initiative.

When asked about the student complaints that book prices are too high and buy back value too low Vanderwerven said that the bookstore prices books at the national norm. "We try to buy back books at the highest price possible,' she said. "Prices are determined according to supply and demand." Vanderwerven said sales at the bookstore have not dropped off due to the advent of low-cost Internet sites because students find the bookstore convenient and timely.





NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

While Lafortune and Hesburgh Library are crowded with students studying notes for class, Notre Dame junior Elise Brown studies her violin notes. Playing "Caprice" by Paganini on her violin in Crowley Hall, Elise practices Wednesday, when, like most days, she practices for at least two hours.

Political science professor discusses reparations

By NATASHA GRANT News Writer

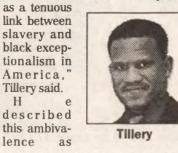
Political Science professor Alvin Tillery set out to tackle the politics for redress for black Americans his talk, "Black with **Exceptionalism: Why Reparations** are Just and Good Public Policy," part of the student government Last Lecture series.

In the crowded O'Neill Hall lounge, Tillery explained his theory of reparations, which he said did not automatically mean slave reparations or monetary reparations, using historical information and current events.

"The deep ambivalence displayed by most whites about reparations stem from what many see

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something that is both hopeful and worrisome. He said while whites generally refuse to make any connection to slavery, "for blacks, it's obvious that slavery was a crime reflective of both historical and modern understanding of terrorism and genocide."

Tillery set out to make the case that African Americans should receive compensation because of wrongdoing toward them, not necessarily during slavery but during the counter-Reconstruction period after slavery had ended and blacks were still treated as

unequal. Tillery said blacks should be compensated for missed opportunities to better themselves that the government stripped from them and awarded low-status whites

Although Tillery said one "should never build an academic case on what the dictionary says,' he begun by defining reparation as per the Oxford English Dictionary and Webster's Dictionary

He also based his presentation

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Students are pleased with the possibility of a virtual selling place for used textbooks.

Mary Watrobica, a Saint Mary's junior, who has never used Internet sites to obtain her textbooks said that the proposed site is a good idea.

"I have never bought my books online before, but I would consider using the new system," said Watrobica.

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The Observer WHAT'S UP

Wednesday, February 19, 2003

War. What is it good for? Something.

Imagine if, several months ago, when the United Nations was trying to get inspectors back into Iraq, President Bush had said, "My good friend Saddam, if you do not allow inspectors into your country, then we will . . . hold your Joe Lindsley

murderous nucleartainted hand and snort anthrax while we dance around your pyre of innocent Iraqis in a joyful chorus of kumbaya."

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Now, would Mr. Hussein have allowed those inspectors into his country?

Yet with the threat of war and the pressure of America's military, look at all the concessions, however phony, he has been making of late. Of course, Saddam's supposed conceptions have been superficial, because he believes he can dupe the world.

During the wave of protests over the weekend, a few particular occurrences stand out. One, Saddam was gloating. He was happy, not because he enjoys a rollicking good day of festivities, nor because he is a pacifist. He was happy because he loves waging war on mankind, and he hates it when others try to interfere, and he thinks his tricks are succeeding.

Two, anti-war protesters in the Middle East were carrying portraits of Saddam because they wanted to support him in the face of the evil American dictatorship. So now, Saddam is the oppressed victim, and America, namely Bush, is the evil tyrant. If Saddam is the victim of Bush, then what does that make the Iraqi people?

Remember the protests against American action in Afganistan, and consider how the citizens of that nation are now free of the oppressive rule of the Taliban. Now consider the hundreds of thousands of Kurds and others slaughtered by Saddam's regime. Ponder the millions who have escaped Iraq in search for freedom. Think about how Saddam allows women to be raped, children to starve, and how he forces families to pay for the unjust executions of their relatives.

Refusing to consider war means standing by while the Iraqi people suffer these evils and while Saddam and his cohorts (e.g., Bin Laden) make plans to inflict similar evils on the entire word. Sitting this one out would be a sin of omission.

The Bush administration was blamed for not taking any action—any preemptive strikes—before the 9/11 attack. Now, Bush is threatening a preemptive strike, in order to prevent the same sort of thing from happening again. Yet, the selfsame critics from a year ago now are vehemently opposed to the notion of prevention as a cure. This conjures memories of Winston Churchill trying to persuade Neville Chamberlain and the British populace that Hitler was not only an evil man, but a threat to the world.

There are times when it is necessary to minimize hazards, times when it is necessary to use force to set an oppressed people free, times when it is necessary to strike the bully before he blows up the neighborhood, and times when one must courageously fight for the God-given human rights of life and liberty. The Saddam cancer is quite malign, and quite willing to spread throughout the word via terrorist arteries. It is time for an experienced surgeon to step in, to root out the disease that has already claimed many lives, and strike it before it transforms from a local malady to one of monstrous proportions.

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Senior Jasor Fitzpatrick praisec as "clutch per former."	Scene previews the Actors for the London Stage. The actors will perform The Tempest this weekend.	Members of the Executive Cabinet and Charlie Ebersol defend Student Body President Libby Bishop's stu- dent government work.	Jim Seida explained Enron's accounting prob- lems at Thursday's Senate Finance Committee meet- ing.	A fiery inferno engulfed two sub- way trains Tuesday after a man threw a flammable contain- er on to one of the trains.	Food Services said they will dis- tribute a survey to gauge student opinion on meal plans.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

WHAT'S INSIDE

◆ Provost's Advisory Committee Meeting, McKenna Hall, all day.

◆ Graduate Student Christian Fellowship, Wilson Commons, 8 to 9 p.m.

◆ Student Senate: Joe Sweigart, podium; approval of Henry Scott, report on LaFortune, nomination of Don Norton for Treasurer; LaFortune Notre Dame room; 6 p.m.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

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

- Irish Dance Lessons, Madale va Hall room 231, 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ SAB Event Eric and Zach, Dalloway's Clubhouse, 7 p.m.

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

WNDU receives harassing phone call

NDSP is investigating a harassing telephone call complaint received Tuesday.

Injured student needs medical attention

NDSP transported a student to St. Joseph Medical Center Monday for the treatment of a sports injury.

Bike theft reported

A student on Monday reported the theft of her unlocked bike from a bike rack outside Lewis Hall between Thursday afternoon and Friday morning. There are no suspects.

Camcorder stolen

A student reported the theft of her camcorder Monday from her dorm room stolen sometime last week. There are no suspects.

-Compiled from NDSP crime blotter.

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Breaded cheese sticks, meatball stroganoff sauce, smoked creole flank steak, roasted poupon potatoes, apple cobbler, Swiss spinach, Oriental vegetables, scrambled eggs, apple pancakes, O'brien potatoes, sweet and sour chicken, cheese enchilada Mexicana couscous

South Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Collard greens, turkey turnovers, London broil with wine marinade, cheddar-baked pollock, shrimp creole, potatoes au gratin, grilled turkey sandwich, chicken teriyaki, portobello fajita

Today's Dinner: Chicken cacciatore, gorgonzola sauce, French bread pizza, roast top round, oven-fried chicken, grilled Polish sausage, rotini with vegetables, Polish-style kluski noodles, cabbage, honey-mustard chicken, seasoned fries, onion rings, Chinese noodles and snow peas with soy dressing, flatbread beef pizza

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

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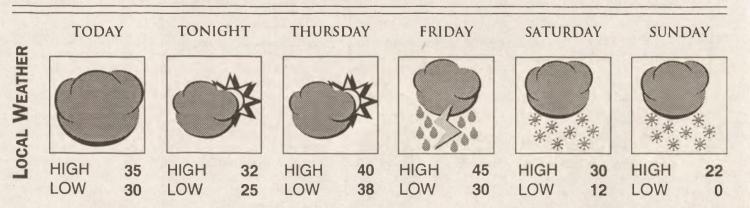
In Friday's article, "The Barnyard Comes to Life,"two male dancer were incorrectly listed as Notre Dame students. They are acquaintances of the director. The article also neglected to mention co-choreographer Nicole Pliske of "Fixed on Fosse," and stated the Saint Mary's Repertory/Performance had 20 members. The workshop actually had 15 members.

Tuesday's Observer incorrectly stated the room for the autism seminar. The correct room is Haggar 117.

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Today's Dinner: Pork loin with apples, hot applesauce, whipped potatoes, apple cobbler, baked haddock jardiniere, steamed carrots, steamed broccoli, mixed vegetables, baked sweet potatoes, steakhouse fries, Cantonese BBQ chicken, jalapeno poppers, California rancho rice

No menu was available.



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Historian's lecture addresses Holocaust

By AMANDA ROTHEY News Writer

Noted Holocaust historian Michael Morris spoke at McKenna Hall Tuesday evening in a lecture titled "Coming to Term with the Past: reflections of a Holocaust Historian.

Morris, dean of graduate students and professor of Holocaust Studies at the University of Toronto, cited four strategies to achieve the aim of "discussing the issue of coming to terms with the past from the standpoint of a historian of the Holocaust." Each strategy, namely political, judicial, material and cultural, presents different sets of problems and controversy in modern society.

In the political arena, Morris emphasized the importance that the highest levels of government acknowledge German responsibility for the Holocaust.

In 1951, Chancellor Konrad Adenaur began this process when he declared to the German Bundestag that the crimes of the past require restitution. President Richard von Witziger furthered this concept in 1985 when he challenged Germans to "look truth in the eye" and accept responsibility for the past. Although he supports the process, Morris questions its effectiveness.

"You have non-victims apologizing to non-perpetrators," he said.

Morris also discussed judicial strategies for coming to terms with the Holocaust, specifically the Nuremberg Trials as the way in which the public collectively recognizes crimes. While trials do provide a sense of justice, Morris said that they fail to actually explain the causes behind World War II or the Holocaust.

Morris' discourse on material

strategies focused on the issue of reparations and restitution as a means to confront past wrongs. Morris purposely differentiated between reparations and restitution, describing reparations as payment to "repair great wrong." In contrast, restitution concerns the return of specific entities, from stolen artwork or wages for slave labor. The danger in this process of reparations and restitutions, Morris claims, lies in the endless lawsuits that it instigates.

"Prominent Jews fear that this effort for restitution will lead to the charge that it's all about money," he said.

Cultural strategies, the final of Morris's four points, center on the representation of the Holocaust in the arts. Morris said that representations of the Holocaust in culture can trivialize the actual events because society becomes immune to

their horror. In particular, Morris considers the public's reactions to the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. and the danger of trivializing the past.

"Do people come away from this experience inoculated to the historical wrongs in the future? One hopes not, but we can't know what's going on in people's heads," he said. Morris closed his discussion

by validating the need for acknowledgement of the Holocaust, but cautioning against over analysis of history.

"In Germany, this constant analysis elicited a backlash that seizes upon the Middle East as an issue...Germans find sympathy for the Palestinians in order to cast off this analysis," Morris said.

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reparation as per the Oxford English Dictionary and Webster's Dictionary.

He also based his presentation on the definition of "jus-tice" according to the 20th century philosopher John Rawls who remade the social contract.

Based on his understanding of Rawls, Tillery said he was able to arrive at an original position that states, "the only way to make a just society is to be blind to the current society.'

He discussed the background of the reparation movement and how

Congressman John Conyers started the reparation movement when he introduced resolutions calling for a commission to study the legacy of slavery on African Americans. Tillery cited a more current

reparation case involving Deadria Farmer Paellman who filed class action suits against three major insurance companies on behalf of 35 million black Americans who were the descendants of slaves.

According to Tillery, it is difficult to know where Americans stand on the issue of reparations because where a survey showed that they split on the issue in the past, he believes that "blacks and whites are talking past each other.

and political parties should bear the brunt of the reparations, specifically for the "Nadir Period" - the time after slavery until blacks were granted full citizenship through the Voting Rights Act of 1965. According to Tillery, with the race riots and frequent lynchings that occurred in a liberal democracy that blacks helped to build and preserve, this period was even worse than slavery.

Tillery's main reason for calling for reparation is based in the idea that the government not only allow for the mistreatment of blacks but it actively participated in it while "political parties have distorted the record of black Americans for political gain Tillery said the government with uneducated white voters."

In addition, he said the Middle Passage, or the journey of enslaved Africans to America, claimed hundreds of thousands of lives and those who survived were damaged psychologically, physically and sexually. Since America is in the practice of making monetary reparations first to American Indians for forcing them onto reservations and most recently to Sept. 11 victims, Tillery believes that it is only fair that blacks receive the same.

In a question-and-answer session, Tillery was asked if he thought reparations would occur, and he answered negatively

In his second year of teaching at Notre Dame, Tillery received his bachelor's from Morehouse College and his doctoral degree from Harvard University.

The lecture was also a part of Notre Dame's Black History Month celebration, and according to Tillery, the topic of one of his ongoing book projects.

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SMC creates self-defense program

By AMY GREENE News Writer

A new self-defense program was recently implemented at Saint Mary's. The Rape Aggression Defense System (RAD) is a program of realistic, self-defense tactics and techniques. The system is a comprehensive course exclusively for women that focuses on the awareness and prevention of assault, risk reduction and avoidance, and the basics of hands-on defense training. RAD is a result of the combined efforts of Lynn Kachmarik, director of athletics, Linda Timm, director of Student Affairs, and Rosemary Harris, interim director of Security.

'The three of us thought that this would be a great program to have at Saint Mary's," Kachmarik said. "The classes are free and enrollment is unlimited. We want to allow as many women as possible to learn these self-defense tactics."

Saint Mary's is able to fund the program and its certified instructors through a special academic grant.

'Right now we have 25 women enrolled, but we are leaving it totally wide-open," Kachmarik said.

One out of every four college women is sexually assaulted during the four years of college. RAD is the largest women's selfdefense system in the country and teaches women defensive techniques and concepts against various types of assault by utilizing easy, effective and proven self-defense tactics.

"I think it's great that a program like this exists here," Kachmarik said. "It addresses self-defense, empowerment, and women's issues and makes women more well rounded through education, fitness and wellness

RAD classes begin this week and run through the end of March.

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The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian **Student Needs** is now

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Food Services survey considers Flex 10 plan

By CHRISTINA CEPERO News Writer

Food Services will send out a questionnaire this semester to get student feedback on meal plans to determine whether or not to implement a Flex 10 meal plan option next year.

A random group of students, mainly freshmen, sophomores and juniors, will receive the questionnaire via e-mail in the coming months. Director of Food Services Dave Prentkowski said, "With this scientific review, we can get an understanding of what the students as a whole would like to see.

The survey will include a question along the lines of: If you have \$X to spend on your meal plan and you want more Flex points, what would you be willing to give up? For example, serving meals in one dining hall instead of both on weekends would save a significant amount of dollars that could go toward the Flex program, Prentkowski said. Other services that could be cut are extended hours. Grab 'n Go or the expanded menu.

Based on the information it

receives, Food Services will come up with the best model and propose it to the administration for final approval.

Food Services has also begun to look at other schools across the country to compare meal offerings and pricing options. In the past, students have given the dining halls high overall ratings compared to other schools.

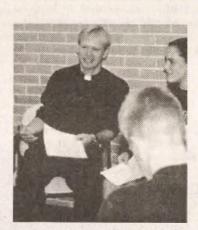
"We want to be sure that we don't change something that would satisfy a certain group of people but dissatisfy a large number of other people," said Prentkowski.

Student Body Vice President Trip Foley and Prentkowski met last week to discuss the issue. Foley said, "I'm glad that Food Services has agreed to work together on this.

"The survey will gauge student sentiment about a Flex 10 meal plan," Foley said. "Food Services conducts extensive research every year on items such as the food and facilities, but this will be the first time students are asked to show how they feel about meal plans.

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Transplant error leaves teenager near death

Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C.

A 17-year-old girl lay near death Tuesday after mistakenly receiving a heart and lung transplant from a donor with the wrong blood type, and hospital officials held out little hope of finding a new set of organs in time.

Jesica Santillan's condition steadily deteriorated after the botched operation Feb. 7. She suffered a heart attack Feb. 10 and a seizure on Sunday, and was in critical condition with a machine keeping her heart and

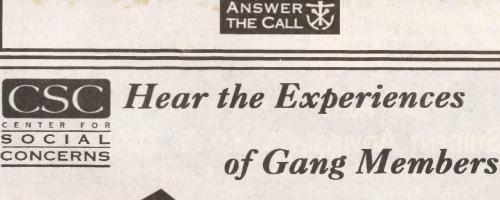
lungs going.

"Right now my daughter is between life and death. She could die at any moment," her mother, Magdalena Santillan, said in Spanish through an interpreter. "My daughter needs a transplant of a heart and lungs to survive. It's the only hope that we have because the doctors made an error."

A family friend said the girl has only a few days left.

The girl has type O-positive blood but was given organs from a donor with type-A blood during the operation at Duke University Hospital.







The Student Activities Office is accepting logo designs for the new "LEGENDS" (formerly SENIOR BAR).

\$200 prize for the winning design, and the designer's photo and logo will be displayed at the new "Legends." (Must be a Notre Dame student to submit a design.)

Deadline for submitting logo designs is Friday, February 21. Drop off entries to the Student Activities Office, 315 LaFortune. For additional information, contact the Student Activities Office, 631-7308.

Saturday, February 22

Center for Social Concerns

3:30 PM

For more information please contact the Center for Social Concerns at 1-9970

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S. Korean subway inferno claims 120 lives, 2 trains

Associated Press

DAEGU A fire raged through two packed subway trains in South Korea on Tuesday after a man lit a container of flammable liquid and tossed it, killing 120 people and injuring 138, many of them seriously.

A suspect who police say has a history of mental illness was under interrogation. Police said they did not know what motivated the attack or what substance the attacker used to start the blaze.

The fire began in one train at a station, igniting seats and spreading to another train as it pulled in, incinerating both sixcar trains, officials said. More people died in the second train because many of the doors failed to open, trapping passengers

YTN TV news channel reported the second train arrived four minutes after the fire started. It was not clear why the second train was not warned of the fire or diverted from the station.

Lim Dae-yoon, chief of Daegu city's east district municipal government, estimated the number of people killed at 120. "We believe the death toll will not rise drastically from that,' Lim said

Many bodies were burned

beyond recognition. Officials said they would have to wait for DNA tests to confirm the number of dead, which could take weeks.

Other people died of asphyxiation on the train platform. One man said his missing daughter called by mobile phone to say there was a fire and the subway door wasn't opening.

Firefighters gave horrifying accounts of the scene underground. Many bodies were found on the subway stairs, where people apparently suffocated as they tried to escape. On the platform and in the trains were the ashen bones of those trapped in the flames.

Officials said that the fire was put out by 1 p.m., about three hours after it started, but toxic gas from the fire delayed rescue efforts, according to the Yonhap news agency. The acrid odor of burned plastic wafted over the scene hours after the flames were extinguished.

Police were interrogating Kim Dae-han, 56, who witnesses said carried the carton into the subway car, police Lt. Kim Byong-hak said. Another official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the suspect had been treated for mental illness in the past.

Authorities and witnesses said the attacker took out the carton and tried to light it with



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A woman mourns the death of a relative in subway fire in Daegu, South Korea Tuesday. About 120 people were killed, and at least 135 injured, after a man ignited a milk carton filled with flammable material on a subway train in South Korea's third largest city.

a cigarette lighter. Passengers moved to stop him and a scuffle broke out. He finally lit the box, and it exploded into flames.

YTN aired footage of the frantic scene inside a hospital, showing nurses attending to a man who reportedly was the suspect. The man sat frowning on a bed wearing a hospital smock, his face and hands smudged with soot.

Police Sgt. Yu Heung-soo said Kim had been burned on both legs and the right wrist. But a doctor told YTN that the man's only injury was from smoke inhalation.

Bush vows to deal with Saddam in spite of protests

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Declaring that America's security should not be dictated by protesters, President Bush said Tuesday he would not be swayed from compelling Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to disarm. "We will deal with him," Bush said as U.S. and British diplomats weighed another bid for U.N. back-

"War is my last choice," Bush said at the White House as echoes of anti-war protests circled the globe. "But the risk of doing nothing is even a worse option as far as I am concerned.'

Standing firmly against skeptical allies as well as the demonstrators, Bush said: I owe it to the American people to secure this country. I will do so."

Administration officials in Washington and at the United Nations in New York were discussing the possible gains as well as the risk of a diplomatic defeat if the United States proposed a new resolution to the Security Council to endorse force as an option to disarm Iraq.

One U.S. official said Tuesday there was no decision on a text or even on whether to go ahead, though White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said, "I think it will be a simple and rather straightforward resolution."

Bush said a second resolution "would be useful," although "we don't need a second resolution. It's clear this guy could even care less about the first resolution. He's in total defiance."

In Rome, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said Iraq had to "move very fast" to

heed the call of the international community and cooperate with U.N. inspectors or face possible war. But he said it was up to the Security Council to decide if the inspections had gone on long enough

France, with support from Russia and China, does not accept the U.S. view that the Security Council effectively endorsed force as an option to disarm Iraq in an earlier resolution that warned of "serious consequences" if Saddam persisted in defying U.N. demands.

With some 50 countries lined up to speak to the council in a session that could go over until Wednesday, early action by the United States and its close ally, Britain, was not expected.

Diplomats at the U.N. said a draft resolution could be circulated late Wednesday.

As for the protests around the world by

millions of people opposed to war with Iraq, Bush said they were irrelevant to his duty to protect America.

'Size of protest, it's like deciding, 'Well I'm going to decide policy based up on a focus group.' The role of a leader is to decide policy based upon the security - in this case - security of the people," he said.

"Democracy is a beautiful thing, and that people are allowed to express their opinion," he said.

"Some in the world don't view Saddam Hussein as a risk to peace," he added. "I respectfully disagree.

Last Friday, an overwhelming majority of the 15 council members followed France's lead and called for extending U.N. weapons searches in Iraq. Secretary of State Colin Powell's argument that the searches were virtually useless was overridden.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Turkey asks U.S. for bigger aid package: Turkey asked the United States to nearly double its multibillion dollar aid package as a condition for allowing U.S. troops on its soil in a war against neighboring Iraq, diplomats said Tuesday. The Turkish parliament had been expected to vote Tuesday on whether to allow tens of thousands of U.S. combat troops in Turkey, which would be necessary for a northern front in any war against Iraq.

EU deal on disarming Iraq has divisions:

"Old" and "new" Europe united Tuesday behind a declaration warning Iraq it has one last chance to disarm, papering over an acrimonious dispute that has set back the continent's push for a single voice in world affairs. The joint declaration agreed by the 15 European Union members Monday night and endorsed Tuesday by 13 future EU members warns Iraq it must disarm "fully and completely."

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Board says shuttle lost pieces over Calif.:

Space shuttle Columbia began losing pieces over the California coast well before it disintegrated over Texas, the accident investigation board reported Tuesday, finally confirming what astronomers and amateur skywatchers have been saying from Day One. But board member James Hallock, a physicist and chief of the Transportation Department's aviation safety division, said the fragments were probably so small they burned up before reaching the ground.

Police search missing woman's home:

Police returned to the home of a missing pregnant woman Tuesday to search for clues in her disappearance and drove away with her husband's new truck. The follow-up search came after police said they made unspecified new findings in the case of the 27-year-old substitute teacher, Laci Peterson of Modesto, Calif.

Travelers still snarled after snowstorm:

Travelers heading to and from the Northeast faced continued uncertainty Tuesday, even as airports in the mid-Atlantic region began slowly digging themselves out from one of the worst winter storms on record. Flights headed to points like Boston, Philadelphia, New York and Hartford, Conn., were filled to capacity, but airlines could not immediately meet the overwhelming crush of passengers who had been stranded at airports throughout Florida and as far away as California when the storm was at its peak Monday.

Gulf War vet on death row seeks clemency:

A decorated Army veteran who blames childhood abuse and exposure to nerve gas during the Gulf War for his killing of a female soldier has asked President Bush to spare his life. As the president considers sending thousands of Americans into another war against Iraq, Louis Jones Jr. is scheduled to die by lethal injection March 18 at the federal prison in Terre Haute, Ind. He has exhausted his appeals.

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Officials want club owner jailed

Associated Press

CHICAGO

City officials demanded that a judge jail the owner of the E2 nightclub for at least a year Tuesday, saying he was illegally operating the place when 21 people were killed in a stampede.

The city said Dwain Kyles had ignored a court order from last July to shut the place down because of building code violations that included failure to provide enough exits. City officials asked Circuit Judge Daniel Lynch to find Kyles in criminal contempt of court and put him behind bars.

"You don't have a right to disobey a court orderuntil someone catches you or until a disaster happens," Mayor Richard M. Daley said.

Andre Grant, an attorney for the owners of the E2 nightclub, contended that a deal had been reached in October to keep the place open.

City officials disputed that.

"There is absolutely no such agreement, either written or oral," said Mara Georges, the city's chief lawyer. "Obviously, these people were intent on breaking the law, and they broke the law."

She said the city had done everything in its power to keep the nightclub closed in civil housing court.

However, Police Superintendent Terry Hillard said Tuesday that police had been unaware of any order to shut down E2. He said he had even told officers to pay special attention to the location after crowd-control help was requested there.

The city also asked the judge to fine Kyles and his company, Le Mirage Inc., which owns the nightclub, and to fine a second company, Lesly Motors Inc., which owns the building.

The judge did not immediately act on the request. He said that Kyles had not yet been served with the paperwork and that he would give the two companies 10 days to respond.

Jenny Hoyle, a spokeswoman for the city Law Department, said judges have wide discretion on what penalties they impose for criminal contempt. Lynch said acts of contempt considered minor have a jail limit of less than six months; major offenses can lead to much longer sentences. Twenty-one people were killed early Monday in a stampede down a stairwell that began when security guards broke up a fight by spraying pepper spray. A lawyer for the club operators suggested someone might have shouted a warning about a terrorist attack. Police have begun interviewing hundreds of witnesses who were in the crowded secondfloor nightclub on the near South Side. The Rev. Jesse Jackson said Kyles was the son of a longtime friend and had submitted to police questioning Monday.

40 million watch Joe Millionaire finale

Associated Press

NEW YORK Unknown to the world just a few weeks ago, Evan Marriott has overthrown the King of Pop — at least, on network television.

Marriott, of course, was the make-believe moneybags of Fox's "Joe Millionaire" who, on the finale of this unscripted-but-staged mating dance, chose Zora over Sarah as his lady love.

Meanwhile, viewers roundly chose Marriott over Michael Jackson, the subject of rival specials on ABC and NBC.

According to Nielsen numbers, the "Joe Millionaire" finale, which aired 8 to 10 p.m. EST Monday, drew an average 34.6 million viewers. The audience soared to 40 million in the second hour.

This figure approaches that of last year's Academy Awards broadcast of 41.8 million. It was the highest series telecast on any network since CBS' premiere of "Survivor II" in January 2001 — in the post-Super Bowl slot — according to Fox, which also said it was Fox's highestrated entertainment program ever.

The enormous number dwarfed the 11.9 million audience for the 9-to-10-p.m. hour of a "Dateline NBC" special, "Michael Jackson Unmasked," airing head-tohead against "Joe Millionaire." The "Dateline" 10-to-11-p.m. hour rose to 17.2 million viewers.

"Joe Millionaire" also substantially outdrew ABC's Feb. 6 broadcast of a two-hour Jackson special produced by British television; its audience averaged 27.1 million viewers, making it the mostwatched show for that week.

ABC repeated that special Monday night from 9 to 11 p.m., drawing an audience of 9.5 million viewers. From 8 to 9 p.m., ABC aired a "PrimeTime" special, "The Many Faces of Michael Jackson," which drew 10 million viewers.

Fox, not to miss out on Michael-mania, plans to air an alternative, more sympathetic version of the ABC special, called "Michael Jackson Take 2: The Interview They Wouldn't Show You," on Thursday.

For the moment, however, Fox can savor its triumph by "Joe Millionaire."

The 28-year-old Marriott is presumably happy, too. On the finale — taped last Thanksgiving — he and Zora, the dark-haired, New Jersey schoolteacher, were presented with a \$1 million check from the show.

Although such a windfall would be chump change to the \$50 million heir Marriott was pretending to be on the show, in reality he was a construction worker making \$19,000 a year.

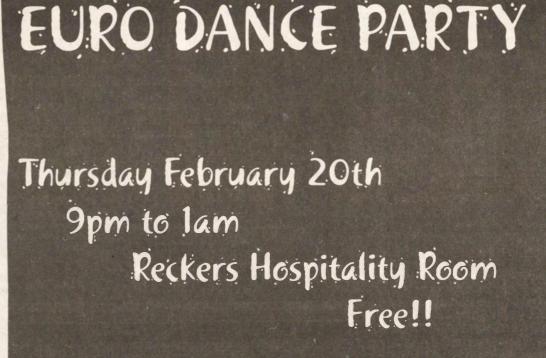
But Zora, who beat out blond Sarah Kozer, didn't care that he had lied to her, along with the other 19 women who had vied for his affections through the competition.

"I really was turned off by the fact that you inherited all that money," she told him after digesting his confession. One of several among the networks' latest crop of so-

called reality series, "Millionaire" began its run Jan. 6 — and instantly proved a hit with its blend of dating game and practical joke. It attracted 18.6 million viewers for its premiere.

And Monday's smash conclusion isn't exactly a conclusion. Next week, millionaire lovebirds Evan and Zora will be back for a Fox special, "Joe Millionaire: The Aftermath."

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MARKET RECAP



ND professor testifies about Enron

By MATT BRAMANTI News Writer

A Notre Dame accounting professor testified last week before the Senate Finance Committee regarding Enron's participation in questionable tax shelters.

Jim Seida presented a seven-page report detailing a wide disparity between Enron's financial reporting and its tax reporting.

Seida was called to testify before the committee following his remarks in a Washington Post article on the subject. "You never know for sure, but I wouldn't be surprised if Sen. [Chuck] Grassley or his staff saw that story," Seida said.

Seida said that Enron used accounting tricks to inflate reported earnings even as it avoided federal income taxes. For example, in 1999, Enron reported a net income of \$1.1 billion, but it claimed a taxable loss of \$1.5 billion. "Taxable income was negative, but the financial accounting paints a very different picture," Seida said.

The disparity between the figures point to a systematic pattern of 'financial accounting manipulation," Seida said. Corporations' net income figures frequently differ from their taxable income numbers, but large differences can imply unethical accounting practices. He called for

corporate tax information, and said, "Management would have an incentive to voluntarily explain items that created the difference."

Under current law, U.S. firms are not required to disclose their tax returns to the public, complicating attempts to discover companies' taxable income.

The committee also heard from other professors. George Plesko, an assistant professor of management at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, asked for improved tax disclosure, according to the minutes from the Feb. 13 Joint Committee on Taxation's Investigative Report, and said portions of corporate tax returns are "important to the general public.

Édmund Outlay, an accounting professor at Michigan State University, called on legislators "to make the first four pages of the [tax return] publicly available," in order to provide transparency to analysts and investors.

The professors' testimony joined a detailed report by the Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation regarding Enron's tax dealings. The document, over 2,700 pages long, found that the failed Houston-based energy trader paid no federal income tax from 1996 through 1999, though it claimed to have earned nearly \$2.9 billion over the same period. The

stronger mandatory disclosure of report contained dozens of internal documents, including letters from Enron's attorneys and bankers, regarding the legality of the bankrupt company's tax schemes. Highly regarded firms including, Deloitte & Touche, Deutsche Bank and JP Morgan Chase, advise Enron executives on tax planning strategies. "The senators made it very clear that shelters will be shut down," Seida said. "This report is not a roadmap of what one should do.'

> The committee meeting's minutes said Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, chairman of the Finance Committee, slammed corporate tax evaders, calling the Enron debacle "the biggest corporate farce of this century." Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., the ranking Democrat on the committee, praised the report. "It will be pivotal in our efforts to restore public confidence in corporate America," Baucus said.

> minutes also said The Congressional leaders expect the committee's report to be pivotal in shaping future legislation to crack down on corporate tax abusers. Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said the document amounted to "a call to action, and we will act."

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IN BRIEF

Wal-Mart earnings rise 16.3 percent

Wal-Mart Stores Inc., boosted by strong sales at its international and flagship discount stores, reported a \$16.3 percent increase in fourth-quarter profits, beating analysts' expectations. For the three months ending Jan. 31, Wal-Mart earned \$2.53 billion, or 57 cents per share, compared with \$2.19 billion, or 49 cents per share, a year earlier. Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call forecast earnings of 56 cents per share. Sales for the quarter were \$71.07 billion, up 10.7 percent from \$64.2 billion a year earlier.

Turner Broadcasting head steps down

Turner Broadcasting head Jamie Kellner said Tuesday he is stepping down after two years on the job, the latest in a series of high-level management departures from parent AOL Time Warner. Kellner follows Turner Broadcasting founder Ted Turner, who last month announced he was resigning as vice chairman of AOL Time Warner. AOL chairman Steve Case also plans to step down, and Walter Isaacson recently resigned after two years as head of CNN.

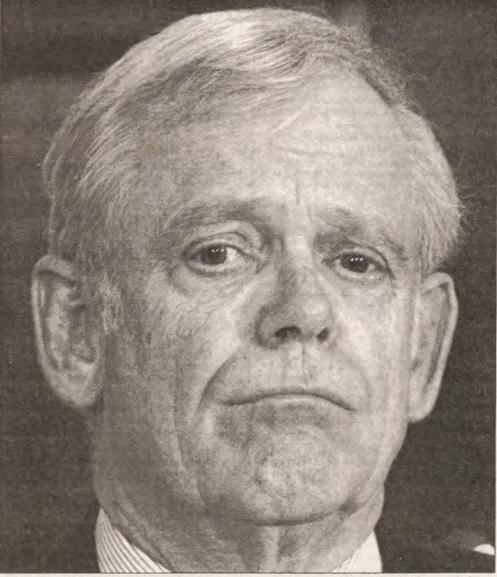
Donaldson takes SEC chair

 New chairman promises accountability

WASHINGTON President Bush promised Tuesday that the newly installed chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission would lead "an active and energetic agency" to rebuild investor confidence shattered by last year's wave of corporate scandals.

William H. Donaldson, 71, replaces Harvey Pitt, who resigned under fire in early November after a series of high-profile political missteps.

"He's the right man at the right time," Bush said at the



Duke Power Co. confirms probe

An accounting controversy in which Duke Power Co. was accused of underreporting profits in North and South Carolina has become a federal criminal probe, the company confirmed. Duke Power said it received a subpoena Friday from a federal grand jury seeking documents related to last year's audit of the utility's accounting between 1998 and 2000. The audit, conducted by Grant Thornton LLP at the request of regulators from North Carolina and South Carolina, concluded that Charlotte-based Duke Power devised a plan to underreport earnings by nearly \$124 million during the three-year period.

swearing-in ceremony, adding that Donaldson "will lead an active and energetic agency

The SEC has expanded powers and new rules under legislation enacted by Congress last summer to combat corporate fraud, enhance accountability and tighten oversight of the scandal-tainted accounting industry.

Donaldson, a Bush family friend and former chairman of the New York Stock Exchange, pledged to restore integrity to the commission.

'We will hold accountable all those who will have violated the public trust," he said. "We will demand responsible governance corporate through the business and financial world. We will strengthen our market structure, making the markets more efficient, more transparent and friendlier to all

ALEX WONG/Getty

U.S. President George W. Bush swore in William H. Donaldson as the new chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission Tuesday at the White House.

investors.'

Bush has asked Congress for an \$841 million budget for the agency in 2004, marking a 48 percent increase over

this year — the largest jump in its history - as it investigates and prosecutes a heavy load of corporate fraud and accounting deception. The

new spending would allow the SEC to hire 710 new lawyers, accountants and examiners, bringing its total to 3,875.

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Love and baseball

Would modern courtship be easier if relationships had concrete, traditional and universally followed rules? In these days of quick breakups, quick make-ups and even quicker random hookups, it may be

time to establish some rules and regulations. Considering that

the ultimate goal of dating is often to score, the rules of the dating game might best be suited to the rules of a sporting event. And, as pitchers and catchers have

already reported

in the major

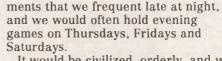
leagues, maybe

for spring training

Happily Ever After

dating would be best suited to follow the rules of a traditional, regulated sport - like base-

ball. Looking at it from a certain perspective, it makes sense. We already talk about dating in terms of bases -- first, second, third and, of course, the proverbial home run. Baseball is also the only sport where the offensive team doesn't control the ball, which can often be said for our relationships. And, like in baseball, everyone gets an equal opportunity at bat. What we do with the ball - hit, miss or simply strike out - is up to us. So, if love adhered to the rules of baseball, the basic guidelines would follow the typical format of a nine inning, base running, three-strikesand-you're-out baseball game.



It would be civilized, orderly, and we could even keep score. After all, in life we've always preferred to rate things according to numbers. We pour over the AP and Coaches' polls, we watch Letterman's top 10 list and we even tune in to an oversexed bachelor's countdown from four to one on "Elimidate." Isn't it fitting then, that we evaluate our relationships in terms of one, two, three strikes ... you're out?

We could even keep statistics on our prospective players and see their past hits, misses and overall records. We could then decide whether or not to draft them into our hearts

And, if dating was an organized sport, we'd all have to follow certain rules in order to maintain our eligibility status. Penalties might include bad behavior, too many strikeouts or poor performance - thus keeping only the best players in the league. We could even send the worst offenders back to the minors or at least send them to the dugout for life.

After all, we learn the basics early enough. We all start in the minors better known as Junior High - and then work our way up to the big leagues. However, no matter what league we're playing in, the basic rules inevitably remain the same. Why not regulate them so that everyone is on the same theoretical playing field? Talk about your field of dreams. If everyone knew the rules, dating could become America's new pastime and the main event of the season. Besides, if dating followed the rules and regulations that govern baseball, there would be certain benefits for all players. For example, in times of dire need, we could all have a relief pitcher to come in and save the game, at least

for a night. There would always be someone on deck. Further, double plays in a single evening would be considered impressive, but bordering on bad behavior. And, of course, foul balls would never be permitted.

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However, like Mighty Casey, who so nobly and boastfully went to bat, there would be expectations to uphold. If a player gets a great hit, he should round the bases with pride, but have the integrity not to tell the rest of his team all the details after the game. Similarly, if a player strikes an oppos-ing player out, there's no need for her to ridicule the fallen ballplayer as he trots back to the dugout. After all, sometimes there is no joy in Mudville we all strike out.

Unfortunately, the rules and regulations that govern America's traditional pastime may never apply to the social arenas where we throw out our own game. Although it would be a tempting offer, it isn't entirely appropriate to banish someone to the dugout for life. In fact, when it comes to the rules and regulations of relationships, we're pretty much on our own.

And, as great as our own personal batting average may be, it's never as simple as one, two, three strikes you're out. And sometimes, the best players are the ones that should be sent back to the minors. Dating, it seems, is a game that is played by many, understood by few and regulated on a play-by-play basis.

However, whether we hit with the



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Here are the basics.

For starters, players would be split evenly into two equal teams. Consider it "A League of their Own" meets "Bull Durham." Our official arenas for competition would be the local establishbig leagues or perpetually strike out we always get another chance at bat.

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> Yogi Berra baseball player

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Support for Iraq war

I support the war in Iraq. These words are sparse among the public but I see many as being in ignorance of this fact. Twelve years ago we crossed this same bridge: Iraq must disarm their weapons of mass destruction. We still repeat those words and Saddam Hussein does not take us or the rest of the world seriously.

The United States have even de-classified information so that to give the rest of the world a taste of the intelligence that they have accumulated on Iraq. Just think about what else our country knows but simply cannot tell us. With all that our country has accom-

With all that our country has accomplished in its history, it's difficult for me to believe that we would rush into a war with a rash sense of mind. We are not pursuing this war for our own self-interest, but rather that of the entire world.

The two Notre Dame graduate students that participated in the peace rally in South Bend, Brenna Cussen and Mica Barreto, made particularly interesting comments. Cussen stated that there are definitely not nuclear weapons in Iraq. How can she be so sure? People being so isureî of something is what leads to events such as Sept. 11.

Mica Barreto stated that the innocent children of Iraq would be the ones hurt by the war. What would be better for those children, to live a full life under the eye of an oppressive and ruthless dictator or to have the chance to live in freedom under democracy? Those innocent people would die for freedom rather than vanity.

One could say that I'm just a college kid who supports a war that will in no way affect my life. That could not be any further from the truth. My brother is currently in Kuwait and eventually will go forth into Iraq. Ifve never looked up to someone more than him. He knows why he is being sent there and is ready to do his duty.

Americans needs to believe in our government and allow them to do what is best for the world, especially the people of Iraq.

> Mark Connolly sophomore Keenan Hall Feb. 18

A dating strain solution

We, women at Our Lady's University, are sadly aware of the strained gender relations and almost nonexistent dat-

ing scene at Notre Dame. However, it is not due to the reason falsely stated by so many men that Notre Dame's women are unacceptably unattractive.

Neither is it because of the reverse of that situation. Rather, the women here understand that there is a number of intelligent, good-looking, nice, young men — but alas, so many of these young gentlemen end up in the

dark corner of singleton oblivion for one very simple reason: bad pants. These unfortunate eyesores often take the form of light-colored, crotch-hugging, stuck-in-the-shoes, tapered leg coverings. These repulsive shroudings are

enough to drive any conscientious young

woman away from an otherwise perfectly acceptable, date-able fellow.

Therefore, we have a request for those of you guilty of this sartorial misstep. Embrace the straight legs, the dark colors and the slightly loose fit. Preferably, at least two of these three conditions should be met at any one time.

With just this one small change, the women will come arunning! Hallelujah! Dating normality can finally arrive at Notre Dame, and the praises of good pants will be sung for years to come. Please, do not ignore this simple request — your dating future, as well as our own, depends upon your compliance.

Terriss Conterato, Lauren Barkmeier, and Bridget Gulling students Cavanaugh Hall Feb. 18

Defending Bishop's decision concerning hall dances

Instead of constant focus on negativity, be proactive

I have heard and read too much about how Libby Bishop didn't do this and how she didn't do that. For the better part of six months I have researched student government's every detail from the past four years. I interviewed every administrator and pertinent student government official that would sit down with me, hoping to extract from them the clues to student government's ineffectiveness. Today, four days after conceding the election to Pat Hallahan, I wish to share with you my reflections on what I have learned.

Student government is a tool, intended to serve three basic functions: improve student life, represent the students to the governing administrative bodies and act as a voice for the students and student organizations. Over the past month, we have heard in posters, articles, speeches, Internet ooms and dorm room conversa tions that apathy has killed student government and is eating away at the student body. I have heard students who yell and scream about Bishop's ineffectiveness and say how they will not vote because student government does nothing. Now, there is no question that apathy makes for great campaign rhetoric; railing on Bishop is even better poster and speech material, but to me it is the embodiment of the problem. Not to sound trite, but I do not think that the problem is apathy, but rather negativity. Too long have students ripped on administrators, student government officials and policy. Too long have articles and NDToday postings harped on ineffectiveness and worthlessness. Where is the proactivity? How did you get into Notre Dame? Your application essay did not read, "This school is totally inadequate. Why isn't it better?"

Why do students come to Notre Dame? Or I guess the real question is why does 98 percent of each class stay at Notre Dame if it is so bad? And if the problems are not severe enough to transfer, why not try to change them? If you have the energy to write scathing remarks or verbally abuse elected officials, why not run for office or make suggestions on how things could be better? Fix the current system or work to implement a new one.

I met with officials ranging from Father Poorman to members of the Board of Trustees. They unanimously agreed that they wanted to see students work to make the current system better before anyone would consider going back to the old one. When you were a child, if your parents took a toy away because you were misbehaving, did you get it back when you screamed and yelled and said nasty things about Bishop's report to Board of Trustees was realistic and rational

Over the past two weeks, Libby Bishop's so-called improper handling of the contentious dance issue has been thrust into the public arena. While much has been made regarding her stance on the in-hall dance issue, Libby's recommendations to the Board of Trustees represented a necessary, realistic and rational approach to improving current in-hall dance policies.

When the changes in the alcohol policy were announced last April, Libby fought for students by immediately confronting the administration. From that experience, Libby gained invaluable knowledge about how to best approach administrators and properly gauge student opinion.

Contrary to recent Viewpoint submissions, Libby did not disregard the senate's recent comments about dorm dances. Rather, she took an objective and informed stance heavily rel her realistic goals and strong relationships with administrators. To add validity to her assertions, Libby consulted with organizations inside the student union, many of whom worked hand in hand with her last April when the new policy was announced. As your elected campus leaders, we strongly support Libby's realistic and informative report to the Board of Trustees. While spite-filled resignations and angry, personal letters to The Observer have questioned how our student body president can prop-erly "be the voice" of the student body, one must remain grounded in the fact that change is the result of persistence, unrelenting dedication and rational conversation. Many are tricked into believing that sidestepping the administration is the only way to fight for students' rights at Notre Dame. We contend that the channels of communication with

administrators cannot be overlooked. Attacking the administration through the Board of Trustees is not the answer. The Board of Trustees exists for the primary purpose of supporting and developing Notre Dame's strong Catholic character and rich academic traditions. While this is not to say that students' concerns are overlooked, they are simply a part of the overall direction of the University of Notre Dame.

Libby's recommendations embrace the goals of the student body. While her mature and professional approach to achieve these goals may differ from the suggested, impractical strategy of others, the end result is clear — student opinion is ultimately expressed.

As knowledgeable and experienced students working together through student government, we understand that it is important to recognize the situations where a stronger more n active stance must be held. However, we must also recognize situations in which a more cooperative and collaborative approach is more effective to make improvements. Libby acted correctly by electing to work alongside administrators, rather than taking a misinformed, unilateral approach. Libby Bishop did not betray us, rather she used her expertise in the position that we bestowed upon her to embody our vision of student life at Notre Dame.

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Libby Bishop is an effective, diligent leader who was savvy enough to read a situation and realize that change would come with negotiation and a display of good will. The Board of Trustees report was an effective and intelligent proposal that won the students resources and the trustees' respect.

Your elected officials in senate, who have spent so much time harping on the negative, had better put forward a proactive proposal for the following years or we will only lose ground. The potential for success only comes with the implementation of drive and proactive movement. You need look no further than Bishop to see that perseverance.

> Charlie Ebersol sophomore Keough Hall Feb. 18

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The Fischoff Competitio

Notre Dame welcomes the Chiara Quartet and other top-notch ense



Photo courtesy of www.fischoff.org The Quintet Attacca won the Grand Prize at the 2002 Fischoff Competition. The prize opened doors for the quintet.



Photo courtesy of www.fischoff.org

The ninth circle saxophone quartet, Grand Prize winners in 2001, is one of the many saxophone quartets competing in recent years.

By MARIA SMITH Scene Editor

Tonight at 7:30, the Chiara String Quartet will present a program of Mozart, Bartok and Beethoven in the Annenberg Auditorium at the Snite Museum of Art. The concert will be free and open to the public

The concert will be a return to a spot of former glory for the musicians, winners of the first prize in the Senior String Division of the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition in May of 2002.

The Chiara Quartet is one of the most promising groups of young classical musicians currently performing in the country. Violinists Rebecca Fischer and Julie Yoon, violist Jonah Sirota and cellist Gregory Beacer met during their studies at the music division of the Juilliard School. The quartet has worked extensively with the Juilliard Quartet as well as many other top classical musicians. **Recognition at the Fischoff** competition has done much to promote the careers of the Chiara Quartet and many other ensembles of young musicians entering a notoriously competitive and difficult field.

"Fischoff really opened some doors," said Jeremiah Frederick, a member of the Quintet Attacca, winners of the Grand Prize at the 2002 competition. "It opened our eyes to the fact that we can do this professionally."

The Fischoff Competition, now entering its second year on the Notre Dame campus, is the largest and one of the most prestigious chamber



As students head into midterms, ensembles are carefully preparing audition tapes to send in by March 5. Just after Notre Dame students finish finals and start to head home, over 60 of the nation's best chamber music groups of all varieties will arrive on Notre Dame's campus to compete for the prizes and prestige that accompany winning the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition.

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String quartets like the Fry Street Quartet, Grand Prize winners in 2000, are some of the most common chamber music ensembles.

music competitions in the country. The Fischoff Society distributes \$17,000 in prize money to senior division ensembles each year as well as providing up to \$5,000 in scholarship money to the winners in its junior division. Many of the best chamber music ensembles in the country have competed and won at the Fischoff Competition. Though this is only the

Though this is only the second year the competition will be held on campus, this year the Fischoff National Chamber Music Association celebrates its 30th year hosting the prestigious competition in South Bend. The Fischoff Society moved the competition to Notre Dame in a search for greater longrange exposure and national attention.



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The Chiara Quartet won first prize in the Senior Division Strings in 2002. The quartet will play a free concert at the Snite Museum tonight.

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Many of the ensembles play for schools in the area or at local venues such as Barnes and Noble Bookstore. Most of the competition is open to the public free of charge. The competition, held in mid-May, is also broadcast live through Notre Dame student radio for the benefit of listeners nationwide as well as the many students who are no longer on campus when it begins.

"We love for students and Notre Dame families to attend," said Ann Divine, executive director of the competition since 1994.

Although the string quartet or woodwind quintet might be the most common conceptions of chamber music, the Fischoff competition has hosted a wide variety of groups over the years. Piano quintets, saxophone quartets and harp trios have also made their way through the competition.

The Fischoff Society recruits top professors and musicians from around the country to judge the competition. With such a wide variety of groups, judges hear a wide selection of music. Ensembles select their own music, from the most famous pieces by Mozart and Brahms to original compositions commissioned specifically for the competition. Ensembles such as the numerous saxophone quartets, a genre of music that has gained much greater popularity in the years since the competition began, play mostly modern compositions, while string quartets often opt for more traditional selections

Joseph E. Fischoff founded the competition in the interest of encouraging young musicians from the area. Although the Fischoff is a competitive event, the emphasis remains on education. The judges fill out sheets of comments to help the ensembles evaluate their own performances and learn what aspects of their playing to improve.

"Everybody was very friendly, nobody was really competitive, and it was more like competing with the other groups than against them," said Frederick. "It's a great competition, it's well run, and it would have been the same good experience even if we hadn't won." Only six groups participated in the first year. As news about Fischoff spread through universities and conservatories around the nation, the competition began to grow. The number of groups doubled when the Fischoff Society decided to add junior quarterfinals to the competition. The Fischoff remains the only competition to offer not only a senior division for musicians ages 19 to 39 but also a junior division for musicians 18 and under to continue to encourage young musicians to pursue their art.

'The Tempest' The Actors from the London Stage prepare for the coming storm

By BRANDON HOLLIHAN Scene Writer

One of the most popular and semi-annually anticipated programs of the FTT season returns this weekend, as the Actors from the London Stage return with a rendition of William Shakespeare's "The Tempest," the comedic tale of a group of voyagers shipwrecked and the magical wonderings that occur as a result.

The story focuses around the magician Prospero, the former duke of Milan who was betrayed by his brother Antonio and Antonio's partner in crime, Alonso. Having been stranded on an island for 12 years with his daughter Miranda and his fellow "spirit," Ariel, he takes advantage of the shipwreck in which Antonio and Alonso were trapped and goes about regaining his nobility and gaining a measure of revenge on his adversaries — albeit in a merciful and amusing way.

The touring aspect of London Stage gives it uniqueness in production. As with many other London Stage shows, "The Tempest" relies upon a mostly barren stage, with chairs set up along the upstage area for actors to rest when they are not in character. Actors Guy Burgess, Caroline Devlin, Paul Moriarty, Edward Pell and Terence Wilton still play an active role, however, using different props and musical instruments to create sound effects necessary for scenes, such as the roaring thunder during the shipwreck at the beginning of the play. Another recurring theme of the London Stage productions is the demand for the five actors to take on multiple roles. Each actor must exhibit varied expressions, movement, and clothing.

At first glance it seems like a daring thing to create a Shakespearean atmosphere with so few stage assets — not only for the actors, but for the audience as well. The London actors, however, enjoy the task because it focuses upon one of their primary goals in performing Shakespeare for younger adults. Their mode of presentation shows audiences how to approach Shakespeare from an articulate verbal standpoint, showing that there is much more to do with Shakespeare's language than just reading from a book.

"We're trusting in the audience's imagination, allowing them to create their own scenes and illusions," said Devlin.

"We set out to entertain audiences," said Wilton. "It's not academic. There are essentially hundreds of thousands of things that can be done with Shakespeare."

With this in mind, the London actors set out to create a version of "The Tempest" that would be compatible with their needs. For five weeks they rehearsed in London in a building known as the Drill Hall, a place they describe as "echo-y" where people will peer through windows and shout at you if they think you're making too much noise. This is where the fundamental groundwork is laid out, such as assigning parts and the majority of the stage blocking. From there the actors take their strategies to the United States and work out the technical aspects of the show such as the lighting in one to two rehearsals before opening night.

The entire operation is notably difficult thing. The cooperation of the London actors is incredible, as they have no director to lead them. The actors must compromise and create blocking and characterization that satisfies both the actors and the needs of the play.

"No one to mess us up," joked Wilton.

The opening shipwreck scene is a supreme example of how effective the actors can be at working together. Throughout the course of the scene more than five characters are on stage at one time, which results in several of the actors scrambling from one side to the other and taking on new personalities within mere minutes of each other. Not only does the scene come effectively to the audience, but it is quite a lot of fun as well.

On going to "The Tempest" audience members can expect many of the things that made London Stage earlier fall production of Much Ado About Nothing enjoyable, including the various sight gags throughout the course of the evening, the use of audience imagination to create what the London actors and the stage have purposely left vague, and the sheer principle that it is the acting and the language, not the setting and aesthetic quality of the production, that has made Shakespeare persevere for as long as it has. Try not to be blown away by the performance.

The Tempest runs today through Saturday at Washington Hall at 7:30 p.m. for all evenings. Admission is \$16 for the general public, \$14 for senior citizens and \$12 for students.

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Contact Maria Smith at msmith4@nd.edu Terence Wilton, Edward Peel, Guy Burgess, Caroline Devlin, and Paul Morlarty, the Actors from the London Stage, come to campus twice a year to perform the works of Shakespeare. This weekend they will present "The Tempest."

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NBA

Rose scores 28 in Chicago's 107-101 win over Cleveland

Associated Press

CLEVELAND Jalen Rose scored 28 points to help the Chicago Bulls gain just their third road victory of the season, 107-101 over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Tuesday night.

With high school phenom LeBron James watching two of the teams that will likely end up in the draft lottery, the Bulls scored a season-high 39 points in the first quarter and then turned to Rose to hold off Cleveland's comeback.

Rookie Carlos Boozer had 23 points and 12 rebounds and helped spark the Cavaliers from a 17-point deficit as they pulled to 94-92 with 4:45 to play. Rose then hit a fallaway jumper with 4:27 left and Chicago went on to its second win in a row, breaking an eight-game road losing streak.

Ricky Davis scored 22 points for Cleveland, which has lost four straight and eight of nine. The Cavaliers must win six of their final 28 games to avoid matching the team record for fewest victories in a season, 15.

Jay Williams and Tyson Chandler each scored 20 points for Chicago, which had all five starters score in double figures for the first time this season.

The Cavaliers stayed in the game by outrebounding Chicago, 51-35, but the Bulls scored 27 points off 19 turnovers.

Rose scored nine of Chicago's final 11 points in the third quarter to give the Bulls an 86-76 lead.

Williams scored 13 points to help the Bulls lead at halftime 57-49.

Cleveland trailed 45-29 before rookie Dajuan Wagner scored seven points in a 13-2 run. The 6-foot-2 guard capped the spurt with a spin move and resounding slam on a fast break.

Wagner finished with 18 points, but shot just 5-for-17 from the field.

Boozer, who shot 11-for-15, has totaled 49 points in two home games against the Bulls versus one point in two road losses at Chicago.

Magic 99, Hornets 94 a 15-5 run th Tracy McGrady and Mike to two points.

Miller each scored 24 points as the Orlando Magic snapped a three-game losing streak by rallying for a 99-94 win over the New Orleans Hornets on Tuesday night.

The Magic trailed by 12 with five minutes to play, but got the victory behind a late 20-2 run.

Darrell Armstrong scored 15 points and Andrew DeClercq had a season-high 14, including seven in a 1:13 span of the fourth quarter to kick start Orlando's comeback.

Armstrong's 3-pointer tied the game at 89, and Miller's driving layup gave Orlando a 93-91 lead with 1:05 remaining. The go-ahead possession was set up by Armstrong drawing a charge against David Wesley 14 seconds earlier.

McGrady shot 9-for-26 and failed to top 30 points for only the third time in the last 16 games. But he finished off the Hornets with a breakaway dunk with 26 seconds to go after stripping Jamal Mashburn. He also blocked Mashburn on the possession following Miller's shot.

For the Hornets, Mashburn scored 10 of his 20 points in the first quarter and P.J. Brown had 14 points and 12 rebounds for his 15th doubledouble of the season and third in five games. Wesley added 17 points, eight rebounds and six assists.

New Orleans, which has lost six of seven road games, shot 22 percent (5-for-23) in the fourth quarter.

Orlando opened the game by misfiring from long range and close. Until DeClercq's layup with 7:12 left, the Magic had missed their first eight shots with a pair of turnovers. Orlando shot 7-for-24 in the period, with McGrady missing six of seven tries.

The Hornets capitalized by scoring the game's first 11 points en route to a 19-5 lead. New Orleans, shooting 12-for-18 for the quarter, ended the period ahead 32-16 on George Lynch's buzzer-beating dunk off a perfect backdoor bounce pass from Wesley.

But the Magic finally awoke as McGrady found his shot. He scored eight straight points, putting Orlando in position for a 15-5 run that cut the deficit to two points.



Cavs guard DaJuan Wagner battles Bulls guard Jalen Rose for the ball in Chicago's 107-101 victory over Cleveland Tuesday night.

Orlando trailed 55-49 at halftime, but scored seven unanswered points to open the third quarter. DeClercq's putback tip-in with 9:05 left gave the Magic their first lead of the game.

Nets 84, Heat 79

Jason Kidd fed Jason Collins for a go-ahead three-point play with 1:50 to play, then hit a clinching 3-pointer with 5.8 seconds left to lead the New Jersey Nets to an 84-79 victory over the Miami Heat on Tuesday night.

Kenyon Martin added 28 points and 10 rebounds in a game in which the Nets were forced to rally from an eightpoint fourth-quarter deficit after squandering a 17-point second-quarter lead to a team that was beaten by 31 points in Detroit on Monday night.

Caron Butler had 17 points and Rasual Butler added 15 for the Heat, who shot only 3-for-15 in the final 7:09.

After watching Martin carry

the Nets for the first three quarters, Kidd took over down the stretch. He had nine of his 12 points, five of his 10 assists and three of his eight rebounds in the fourth.

With the Nets down 68-60 after the Heat capped a 42-17 spurt, Kidd hit a drive with 9:34 to play to get New Jersey going.

Martin eventually put New Jersey ahead with a slam that capped his own personal fivepoint run for a 75-74 lead with 3:42 to play. Travis Best drove the lane and hit a left-handed layup to give Miami its final lead, 76-75 with 3:15 to go.

The teams missed four shots over the next minute before Kerry Kittles got the rebound of Brian Grant's miss. He threw an outlet to Kidd, who found Collins ahead of the field for a layup. He converted the free throw for a 78-76 lead.

After free throws by Richard Jefferson and Malik Allen kept the teams within two points, Kidd got his clincher after Lucious Harris missed the rim on a jumper with 10 seconds to go. Kidd eventually got the ball, and his 3-pointer beat the shot clock for an 82-77 lead. Kidd added two more free throws in the final seconds.

Martin was almost unstoppable in the first half in leading the Nets to a 47-39 lead. He scored 19 points on 8-for-12 shooting, and added five rebounds and four assists.

Martin' 10-footer in the lane with 2:53 left in the half gave New Jersey its biggest lead, 43-26.

It seemed at that point that the Heat would be blown out for the second straight night.

It didn't happen. Rasual Butler hit three 3-pointers in a 13-4 spurt, the last an off-balance 30-foot bomb two-tenths of a second before halftime.

The Heat continued the comeback in the third quarter, scoring 12 of the first 16 points. Malik Allen tied the game at 51 with a jump hook in the lane with 6:55 to go.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Brawl sends Canseco to jail for probation violation

Associated Press

MIAMI Jose Canseco was sent to jail Tuesday after violating his probation for a 2001 nightclub brawl.

The former major league slugger could be held until a scheduled March 17 hearing, Judge Leonard E. Glick ruled.

"I understand that I have to take responsibility," Canseco said. "I ask for the mercy and understanding of the court.'

Shortly after, Glick ordered Canseco into custody.

"No bond," Glick said.

Wearing a dark doublebreasted suit, the 38-year-old Canseco handed his wallet and a thick silver necklace to his lawyer before being led out of the courtroom, his hands cuffed behind his back.

Glick issued a warrant for Canseco's arrest Friday after being told the six-time All-Star had failed to begin anger control classes and community ser-vice, and that he had left Florida for longer than 30 days.

Those were among the conditions of his three-year probation, as well as the payment of court costs and sending monthly reports.

Canseco ranks 26th in baseball history with 462 career homers. He retired in May, finishing with .266 batting average, 1,407 RBI and 200 stolen bases in 1,887 games with seven clubs.

He and Mark McGwire teamed in Oakland as the 'Bash Brothers," leading the team to three straight World Series appearances from 1988-90 and the 1989 title. Canseco won the 1988 AL MVP award.

"The subject does not appear to take probation seriously,' probation officer Ileana Ortiz told Glick in a report filed last week and prompting the arrest warrant. Ortiz said Canseco had been in Los Angeles since Dec. 20.

Canseco's attorney, Gustavo Lage, said his client was involved in a custody battle in California and wasn't able to arrange the anger control classes. Lage also said Canseco misunderstood the conditions of his community service, believing those hours could be served at any time during the three-year probation period.

'He knew he was running the risk that he would give up early termination of his probation," Lage said.

Canseco and his twin brother, Ozzie, fought with two men at a nightclub in Miami Beach on Oct. 31, 2001. Jose Canseco pleaded guilty in November 2002

Ozzie Canseco, in court with his brother Tuesday, has complied with the terms of his probation.

Jose Canseco pleaded guilty to felony aggravated battery and two counts of misdemeanor battery. His brother, who played briefly in the majors, pleaded guilty to felony battery and misdemeanor battery

Prosecutor Jonathan Granoff said sending a probation violator to jail was "standard procedure." In a case heard just before Canseco's hearing began Tuesday, Glick sent a probation violator to jail for 366 days.

Jose Canseco Sr. said his son has been mistreated by the court system.

"He's been treated very badly," Canseco Sr. said. "He's a nice guy. He's done very good things in this country."

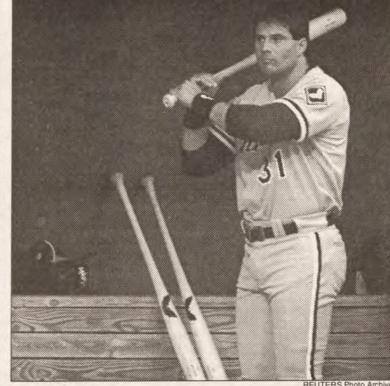
Lage asked Glick to not send Jose Canseco to jail, saying the six-time baseball All-Star is a highly visible public figure.

"He's not going anywhere," Lage argued, to no avail.

Canseco admitted last year that he used steroids during his baseball career. He claimed that up to 85 percent of all major leaguers took muscleenhancing drugs during the years he played, and said he planned to tell all about the alleged steroid abuse in baseball in a still-unpublished book.

Canseco was born in Cuba and raised in Miami, the city he still calls home.

He is still considered a



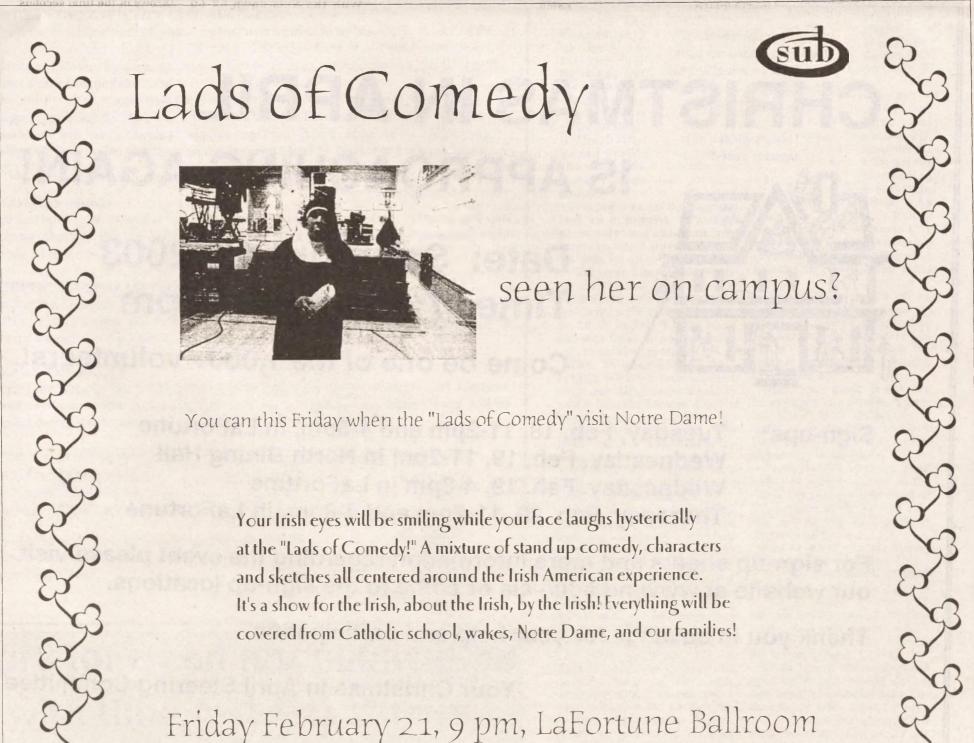
Former Major League Baseball player Jose Canseco waits out a rain delay at Camden Yards in Baltimore during the 2001 season. Canseco was sent to jail Tuesday for a probation violation.

celebrity in his adopted city, and has received star consideration in at least two of his previous Miami jail stints.

In 1997, corrections officials investigated if Canseco received special treatment when guards snapped Polaroids of each other with him inside the jail.

Canseco was awaiting a bond hearing on a domestic violence charge.

And in 1992, officers who arrested Canseco on aggravated battery charges for allegedly trying to run his first wife off the road asked for and received autographs from the slugger.



MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL **Bechler was taking** ephedra before death

Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. A weight-loss drug probably contributed to the heatstroke death of Baltimore Orioles pitching

prospect Steve Bechler, a medical examiner s a i d Tuesday. Bechler

had been taking Xenadrine,

an over-the-counter drug containing ephedra, which has been linked to heatstroke and heart trouble, Dr. Joshua Perper said.

Bechler died Monday, less than 24 hours after a spring training workout sent his temperature to 108.

Ephedra has been banned by the NCAA, the NFL and the International Olympic Committee, but not by major league baseball. Perper urged baseball to ban the drug.

The preliminary autopsy findings indicated Bechler died from complications of heatstroke that caused multiorgan failure.

Final results won't be avail-

able until toxicology tests are completed in two-to-three weeks, Perper said.

Among the other factors contributing to Bechler's death, Perper said, were that he had high blood pressure and liver abnormalities.

The 6-foot-2, 239-pound Bechler was an overweight athlete pushing himself in warm, humid weather much different from the climate in his hometown of Medford, Ore. He also hadn't eaten much solid food in the two days before he fell ill.

The workout Sunday left Bechler pale and dizzy. When his condition deteriorated, he was carried from the clubhouse to an ambulance on a stretcher. He spent the night in intensive care and died morning Monday at Northridge Medical Center.

Bechler was a third-round draft pick by the Orioles in 1998. He made his major league debut last September, going 0-0 with a 13.50 ERA in three relief appearances. He was expected to begin this season with the club's new Triple-A affiliate in Ottawa.

Bechler spent most of last year at Triple-A Rochester, going 6-11 with a 4.09 ERA in 24 starts.

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BOXING

Tyson ready to fight, Etienne backing out

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS Just when it seemed Mike Tyson's world couldn't get more bizarre, he outdid himself.

Faced with an uncertain future and the reality of throwing away a reported \$5 million-plus payday, Tyson woke up in a better mood Tuesday and pronounced himself ready to fight after all.

A day before, Tyson backed out of Saturday's bout against Clifford Etienne. Now, though, Etienne says he doesn't want to fight, leaving the former heavyweight champion in need of another opponent.

Tyson planned to get on a chartered jet Tuesday to Memphis, Tenn., despite the misgivings of his trainer.

"I told him, 'Mike, as your friend, I don't think you're ready for the fight,"' trainer Freddie Roach said. "He made the decision and I'm going to stand behind him. We'll get a couple of days in to do the best we can to get him back. Hopefully he hasn't lost everything.

While Tyson's mood swings are well known, Etienne had a little fit of his own.

"I'm going to show him I don't have to live by Mike's rules," Etienne said. "I think he has mental problems, but Mike has to live with that."

Etienne's manager, Les Bonano, said he tried to talk Etienne into fighting, but the boxer was adamant. "He's not going to fight. It's official, Bonano said. "But in this world, who

knows?' Proving that an opponent is just an opponent, however, promoters said they had four fighters lined up to replace Etienne.

"If I were him, I'd be jumping for joy that he's fighting a Mike Tyson who hasn't trained for days," said Tyson's manag-er, Shelly Finkel. "I think you'll see him fight. If not, we have others to take his place."

The 36-year-old Tyson's erratic behavior took another soap operalike twist Tuesday when he said he was feeling better and wanted to go through with the fight. The night before, Tyson said he wasn't 100 percent and didn't want to risk not being his best. "In the world of Mike, it's normal," Finkel said. Tyson might have been influenced by the unhappiness of Showtime executives who had a big weekend of programming built around him and the possibility the network might drop the fighter from its stable. He also faced losing a return match with Lennox Lewis that would pay him millions more. Although Tyson was said to have flulike symptoms over the weekend, his recent run of odd behavior began a week ago, when he went out and got a large tattoo on his left temple. He then missed three straight sparring sessions, leaving Roach waiting at the gym without explanation.

Tyson reportedly wanted more money for the fight. He was to make somewhere between \$5 million and \$10 million, far less than the \$20 million he pocketed for losing to Lewis in June.

Tyson owes his ex-wife \$6.5 million in future earnings as part of their divorce settlement.

"He woke up today and said he wanted to do it," Finkel said. "He felt good enough so he could go to Memphis and beat this guy.

Etienne hadn't been expected to present much of a problem for a fit Tyson. The former champ was a 7-1 favorite against a fighter handpicked by promoters for his willingness to stand in front of Tyson and trade punches.

Bonano said his fighter was up all night thinking the fight was canceled and said he now wasn't mentally prepared to fight. But Etienne would have made his biggest payday ever: nearly \$1 million.

While Etienne pulled out of the bout, Tyson went to the charter terminal in Las Vegas, where he, Roach and a sparring partner were to board a private jet for Memphis.

Tyson's handlers waited days for him to give them some sort of signal on his willingness to fight. They decided to cancel the bout after the

boxer missed a flight to Memphis for the second day in row

Monday. After the fight was called off, Showtime executives decided to move an

undercard headed by Olympian Jeff Lacy to Bally's hotel-casino in Atlantic City and televise it along with some interviews with Tyson and Etienne in place of the main event.

beat this guy."

Shelly Finkel

Tyson's manager

"We actually pulled off an amazing logistical task in 24 hours," Showtime boxing chief Jay Larkin said. "I assure you this is not a publicity stunt. We went to astounding gymnastics to pull this off."

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"He woke up today and said he wanted to do it. He felt good enough so he could go to Memphis and

Addition information about eating disorders can be found at the following sites: www.ANAD.org www.something-fishy.org www.nationaleatingdisorders.org

If you or someone you know is struggling with an eating disorder, services are available at the University's Counseling Center.

Work for a campus publication with timely sports stories

Once the most fearsome heavyweight around, Tyson has shown little inclination to fight in recent years and has lost three of his last nine fights, two by knockout.

Tyson fought an average of only five rounds a year in the last 5 1/2 years - and eight of those came while he was taking a beating in his fight against Lewis.

But Finkel said Tyson remains a big attraction.

"In the crazy world of Mike Tyson, one thing you have to know is Mike Tyson will always be in demand," Finkel said. "He's still a star — he's the star. He won't be hurting for places to fight.'

Brian Young, one of the local promoters, said 10,700 tickets had been sold for the fight, but that ticket sales dried up over the weekend as speculation mounted that Tyson would not fight.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Wednesday, February 19, 2003

NBA

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Boston	30-23	.566	5-5	5
Philadelphia	28-24	.538	6-4	6 1/2
Washington	25-27	.481	4-6	9 1/2
Orlando	25-29	.463	2-8	10 1/2
New York	23-29	.442	5-5	11 1/2
Miami	18-35	.340	3-7	17
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Indiana	37-16	.698	6-4	
Detroit	36-16	.692	8-2	1/2
Milwaukee	27-24	.529	7-3	9
New Orleans	28-26	.519	5-5	9 1/2
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Chicago	18-35	.340	2-8	19
Toronto	16-35	.314	6-4	20
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Dallas	40-12	.769	6-4	
San Antonio	36-16	.692	9-1	4
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Utah	32-21	.604	7-3	8 1/2
Houston	27-24	.529	4-6	12 1/2
Memphis	15-36	.294	2-8	24 1/2
Denver	12-41	.226	2-8	28 1/2
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Sacramento	36-18	.667	4-6	
Portland	34-18	.654	7-3	1
Phoenix	80-23	.566	5-5	5 1/2
LA Lakers	26-25	.510		8 1/2
Golden State	24-28	.462	5-5	11
Seattle	21-30	.412	3.7	13 1/2
LA Clippers	18-34	.346	2-8	17

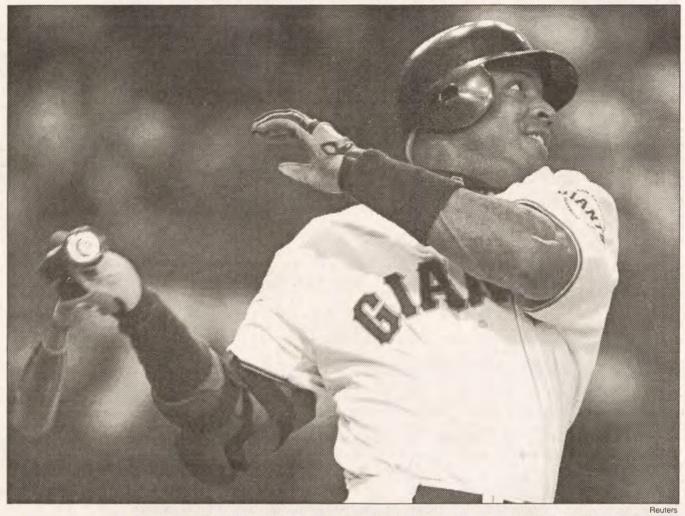
Central Collegiate Hockey Association

team	W-L-T	Points
Ferris State	18-5-1	37
Ohio State	15-5-2	32
Michigan	15-6-1	31
Michigan State	13-8-1	27
Miami	11-11-2	24
Northern Michigan	11-10-1	23
Western Michigan	11-11-0	22
NOTRE DAME	9-10-3	21
Nebraska-Omaha	9-13-2	20
Alaska Fairbanks	7-11-6	20
Bowling Green	4-16-2	10
Lake Superior	2-19-1	5

Mens College Basketball **Big East Conference**

West Division

W-L Pct. Overall team



San Francisco Giants left fielder Barry Bonds hits a single in the final game of the seven-game series of Major League Baseball All-Stars in the Tokyo Dome on Nov. 17.

Bonds to have surgery on elbow

Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. Barry Bonds will have minor surgery on his left elbow Wednesday, and the San Francisco slugger is expected to miss only a few days of spring training workouts.

The five-time MVP complained of tenderness to Giants trainer Stan Conte after arriving at camp Tuesday.

Conte said the pain stems from surgery in 1999, when doctors repaired a tear in Bonds' left triceps and removed a bone spur from the back of his elbow

Conte compared Bonds' procedure to removing a thorn from the bottom of his foot.

"I don't think it'll cause him any big delays," Conte

"Our concern was that it have a problem. Now is the time to take care of it. Once the suture is removed, that's the end of the story," he said.

The 38-year-old Bonds was an early arrival to camp. Position players for the defending NL champions officially report Wednesday.

Bonds spoke with reporters for 38 minutes Tuesday morning, never bringing up his elbow problem. Conte said Bonds approached him after the news conference.

Bonds will require local anesthesia during the procedure, meaning his elbow will be numbed, Conte said

Conte said the pain stems from an existing suture, which will be removed. The suture formed a knot just under Bonds' skin above the elbow

Bonds has been bothered by tenderness for three or four weeks, but he didn't tell the Giants' training staff until Tuesday.

Precautionary X-rays were taken.

"It's definitely related to the 1999 surgery, nothing more than that," Conte said. "This happens from time to time with different surgeries."

The elbow did not slow Bonds during offseason workouts, Conte said.

"His big point was, 'I can do everything,"' he said. "He hasn't done much in the last seven or eight days I guess. To use his quotes, he's been 'chillin."

said. "This is not a big deal. We could have not done anything to this. It's a minor irritation that started to bother him. might get worse as the season went on, then we'd

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NOTRE DAME	8-3	.727	
Pittsburgh	8-3	.727	18-4
Seton Hall	6-4	.680	12-9
West Virginia	4-7	.364	13-10
Autoers	3-7	.300	11-11
Georgetown	3-8	.273	11-11

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL Memphis at Louisville 7 p.m., ESPN Maryland at Duke 9 p.m., ESPN

NHL HOCKEY N. Y. Islanders at San Jose 10:30 p.m., ESPN2

IN BRIEF

O'Neal unsure of when he'll return to the court

Shaquille O'Neal ruled himself out of Tuesday night's game against Yao Ming and the Houston Rockets because of a sore left knee.

"We do not expect him to play," Lakers spokesman John Black said after a light practice at the team's facility in El Segundo.

It wasn't known whether O'Neal would travel to Utah for Wednesday night's game against the Jazz. The Lakers play home games against Portland on Friday and Seattle on Sunday.

The three-time defending NBA champions entered Tuesday's game 23-15 with O'Neal and 3-10 without him. The Rockets (27-24) went in with a one-game lead over the Lakers for the final Western Conference playoff berth.

Also hampered by soreness in his surgically repaired right big toe, O'Neal said after practice Monday he wasn't close to being 100 percent.

"I'm very frustrated because it's not supposed to be happening," he said. "Usually knick-knack injuries go away when I play through them, but it hasn't gone away. It's gotten worse. I want to win the whole thing and not just go out and win games. I want to get right before I come back.'

Cornhuskers closer to being paid for play

A proposal to pay Nebraska's football players cleared a legislative hurdle Tuesday.

The Business and Labor Committee voted unanimously to advance the measure for debate before the full Legislature.

State Sen. Ernie Chambers' bill would require Nebraska football players be paid a stipend if three other states with schools in the Big 12 Conference pass similar laws. Other states with schools in the conference are Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, Texas and Iowa.

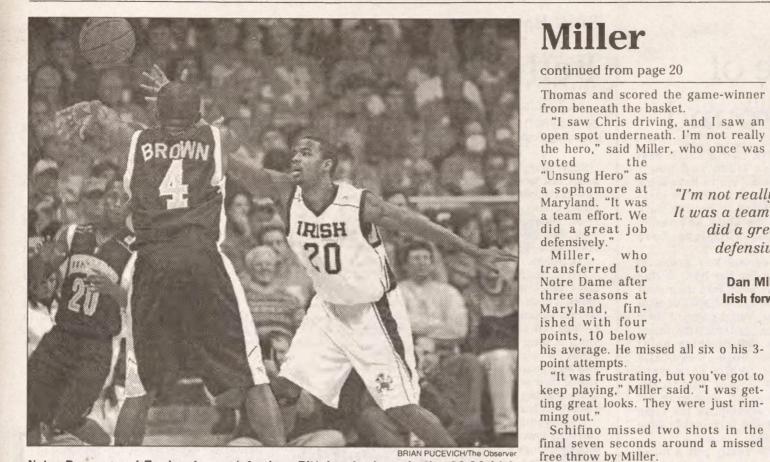
NCAA spokesman Wally Renfro said the proposal was flawed.

"I don't think there are many, if any, college presidents who believe it's the right thing to do to pay their students to play sports," Renfro said. "If you tried to do this, I think you would take first-rate college programs and turn them into third-rate professional programs.'

Renfro said the bill would be vulnerable to legal action from players in other sports who also want to be paid.

Chambers said he introduced the bill because NCAA rules governing money players can earn are too complex. Chambers also believes football players are exploited because they draw no financial benefit from work that generates millions of dollars for the universities.

Current NCAA rules afford students flexibility to earn money in addition to scholarships, or tap into a special assistance fund, Renfro said



Notre Dame guard Torrian Jones defends a Pittsburgh player in the 66-64 Irish victory Feb. 9 over the Panthers.

Clutch

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and performer," said Welsh. "He is a leader in performance and one of our strongest swimmers."

This year Fitzpatrick was elected a co-captain, along with fellow seniors John Hudson and Andy Maggio. He is also the team's representative on the Student Advisory Board.

"He is an outstanding team leader who leads more by example than by words," said Welsh. "He, John and Andy have been instrumental in building a great esprit de corps this year.

Fitzpatrick has taken his leadership role seriously.

"As a senior, I bring experi-ence," he said. "I work hard in practice and hope to influence the rest of the people on the team through that. I am definitely intense; that sums me up when it comes to swimming.

Over the course of his four years, Fitzpatrick has witnessed a change in attitude in the Notre Dame team.

"In past years we were more split up individually, while this year we've grown as a team," he said. "We are more focused as a team.

Fitzpatrick's example has helped the Irish develop as a group. His love for competition and the sport is evident to his teammates and coach.

"He is an excellent competitor that races extremely well at championship meets," said Welsh. The saying goes that luck favors the wellprepared and he's very well-prepared."

Fitzpatrick's preparation for this season began in the summer. He stayed in South Bend to work with strength coach Ken Cromer.

"The strength training I did with Ken helped me get faster

year, and Fitzpatrick heads into "He is an outstanding team leader who leads

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Notre Dame shot just 38.3 percent

this year," Fitzpatrick said.

His times have improved this

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Tim Welsh Irish coach

stroke.

"He's looking to have lifetimebest performances and he's prepared to do it," said Welsh. 'We're counting on him this weekend; he's going to be needed.'

After he closes his impressive career at Notre Dame, Fitzpatrick will head to law school at Arizona State. His twin

40.4 percent.

"I'm not really the hero.

It was a team effort. We

did a great job

defensively"

Dan Miller

Irish forward

Freshman Patrick Beilein had a career-high 13 points for West Virginia, which starts three freshmen and two sophomores.

After getting outrebounded 51-27 in their first meeting with Notre Dame, West Virginia coach John Beilein tried to figure out a way to even out that statistic.

Nothing worked. Pittsnogle, West Virginia's tallest player and second-leading scorer, had just nine points and three rebounds in 27 minutes, and West Virginia was outrebounded 42-29.

"I thought we did a better job in the sec-ond half," John Beilein said. "I don't know if we can do anything

about it until we get stronger in the off-season.'

The teams combined to attempt only 15 free throws.

The Mountaineers' 14,000-seat arena was more than half empty. Classes at West Virginia were canceled for a second day Tuesday due to the recent winter storm, which dumped about 20 inches of snow in the area.

> brother Brandon is set to graduate from Northern Arizona this year as well. Both of Fitzpatrick's younger brothers are athletes. Ryan is a sophomore quarterback for Harvard's football team, and Shawn plays two varsity sports as a high school sophomore.

> Fitzpatrick is looking to leave a lasting mark in the Notre Dame record books. He has set his sights on accomplishing a goal that has eluded all previous Notre Dame swimmers.

"I want to make the NCAA Championships [in the 100 or 200 breaststroke]," he said.

Fitzpatrick's goal is lofty, but he has established himself as a strong clutch competitor. As the Irish swim team's go-to guy, he has proved that no goal is too far from his reach.

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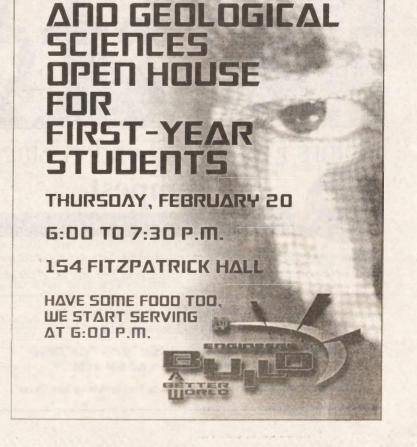
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MENS TENNIS

Irish on verge of season turnaround

Matchup against Michigan State more than just a rivalry

By JOE LINDSLEY Sports Writer

Today will be an important test for the Irish.

The Irish hope to prove that they are better than their early season record, which includes the worst start in program history

A win at No. 66 Michigan State today would not exactly vault the No. 44 Notre Dame up the rankings, but it would show that the Irish are tired of losses.

They began the spring season with a Notre Dame tennis first four straight losses to open the year's dual-match play.

However, the season

began to turn around when the Irish claimed two straight road wins, at Wisconsin and Purdue. Then, Feb. 9, Notre Dame nearly upset No. 8 Duke, but the Blue Devils held on to win, 4-2.

Fresh off a nine-day layoff, the Irish hope to continue their successful streak and leave their struggles behind.

"We're expecting to win," junior tri-captain Matt Scott said. "Not because it's Michigan State, but because I think that's the mentality we have every time we step on the court.'

The Spartans began the spring with eight straight victories, but lost to Ball State 4-3 last week. This year's squad is virtually the same as last year's team that was swept 7-0 by the Irish.

"We've had a small rest between Duke and now, Scott said. "We've have some good practices. We're looking forward to getting back out on the court and seeing how our revisions have worked out.'

One of the key areas of revision for the Irish during the past week was their doubles lineup, in hopes of winning the initial point of their matches. Notre Dame failed to win the doubles point against both Duke and Purdue. While they were able to recover against the Boilermakers, they were not able to accomplish the same against the formidable Blue Devils.

"We've really put a lot of

attention into our "I think everyone has doubles, more confidence. I think and some fine tunwe're finding ourselves in ing [indimore of a rhythm." vidual-ly]," Scott said.

Irish junior

Matt Scott

Irish say they were

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never disheartened, even during their string of losses. and team is remembering the lessons learned from the season's start. According to Scott, positive thinking has been a key part in the team's ability to recover from their start, that included two close matches.

"I think everyone has more confidence," he said. "I think we're finding ourselves in more of a rhythm. There are still a few nuts and bolts we have to work on. [But] The guys are positive. Hopefully we'll bring back a win.'

After today's match, the Irish will take on the Northwestern at home Saturday.

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SMC BASKETBALL

Belles look to end losing streak

By TREY WILLIAMS Sports Writer

Saint Mary's basketball had hopes last week, coming off of a two-game road campaign that ended unsuccessfully, to say the least. However, the results of their final home series thus far have come significantly short of expectations.

The Belles (5-18) now have one last chance to give their home crowd a taste of victory. A win in tonight's match against Adrian College (10-13) would not only snap a long standing losing streak for Saint Mary's but would also be a beacon of hope for salvaging their wounded MIAA reputation going into next week's conference tournament.

The seventh ranked Bulldogs currently tower over the Belles in MIAA rankings with a 3-9 record despite giving up their last five games. A win by the Belles, who currently stand 1-11 in the MIAA, presents the possibility of boosting the Belles above the Bulldogs before tournament play begins.

"To get a win would be a huge boost for the team," said guard Bridget Boyce "Not only would it help us going into the tournament, but it would be a great way for the seniors to end their last home game.'

Though the Belles only have two seniors in their arsenal, emotions will run high for the younger ladies as well.

"Our team has grown really close in just the past few weeks, said Boyce "Even when we're losing, we push each other, pick each other up, and step out there and give it our best."

The Belles have currently

returned to their best with the return of strong scorer Emily Creachbaum. Creachbaum made her revival during

shots — the same average she

posted during her last game two

weeks ago - but Creachbaum

also capitalized on 67 percent of

return, the Belles will also rely

on the strength of players who

In addition to Creachbaum's

Saturday's

game against

Calvin

College,

shooting as if

she never left.

Not only did

she hit 38

percent of her

3-pointers.

"To get a win would be a huge boost for the team."

Bridget Boyce Belles guard

stepped up during her absence, including center Kristen Matha who accumulated 12 rebounds

against Calvin and 15 last week against Albion.

"We're going to throw a lot of different defenses at [Adrian] from what we tried in our last game

against them," said Boyce "I think we're a lot stronger than we were then so we just have to bring it all together and play as a team.

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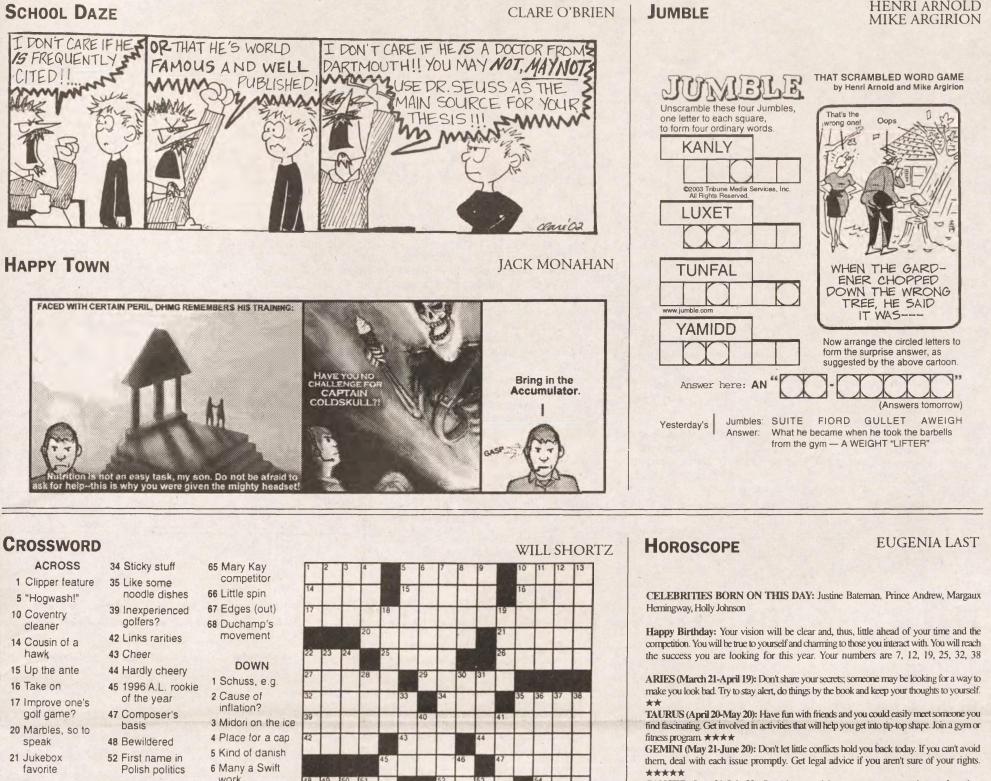
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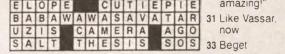
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MENS SWIMMING

Fitzpatrick is Mr. Clutch

Senior always comes through when Irish swim team needs him

By LISA REIJULA Sports Writer

Every team has a go-to guy, an individual that can be counted on to be cool under pressure and deliver a top performance in the most important competitions. For the Notre Dame men's swimming and diving team, senior Jason Fitzpatrick is the definition of a clutch performer, always rising to the occasion in big meets.

'In basketball, he's the guy you'd give the ball at the end of a close game," said head coach Tim Welsh of Fitzpatrick. "In football, at third and one with 30 seconds to go, he's the one whose play you'd



call.

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Big

among the elite of the Fitzpatrick East

conference in the 100 and 200 breaststroke. The top Irish swimmer in the stroke, Fitzpatrick's times have yet again earned him a spot in both races at the upcoming Big East Championships.

This season, Fitzpatrick has been a consistent competitor, earning victories in dual meets against Oakland, Cleveland State and TCU. At the Notre Dame Invitational in December, he set a school record in the 100 breaststroke (55.71).

A native of Arizona, Fitzpatrick did not begin swimming competitively until his freshman year of high school. He considered joining the football team to play with his twin brother Brandon.

"It was my dad that got me into swimming," said Fitzpatrick. "He was the one who pushed me in the direction of the sport."

Fitzpatrick had a stellar high school career, setting numerous school records and earning varsity letters all four years. He was also named an All-America and all-academic selection as a senior, and was inducted into the Arizona High School Hall of Fame.

He cites his high school coach, Brad Hering, as his role model in the sport. Hering, a former swimmer for Arizona State and a competitor on an international level in the 1980s, was a major source of motivation for Fitzpatrick.

"He was an inspiration to me," Fitzpatrick said. "He was the reason I continued to swim in college.'

At the suggestion of his father, Fitzpatrick attended a summer swim camp at Notre Dame, and became interested in the University.

"I liked it when I visited, and when I talked to the coach he sold me on it," said Fitzpatrick.

As a freshman, Fitzpatrick made an immediate impact for the Irish. He established the 100 and 200 breaststrokes as his signature events and placed seventh in the 200 at the 2000 Big East Championships.

Fitzpatrick continued to improve as a sophomore, placing third in the 200 and sixth in the 100 race at the Big East meet. He won both the Patrick Reilly McManus Captain's Award and Notre Dame's Most Improved Award for the 2000-01 season.

"These awards identify him as a person who's a great teammate

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MENS BASKETBALL

Miller's late basket lets Irish escape on road

♦ 56-55 win at West Virginia gives Notre Dame 20 for the season

Associated Press

Dan Miller was having a lousy night — until the end of the game.

The senior forward was just 2-of-13 from the field, but his inside basket with 18 seconds

left gave No. 12 Notre Dame a 56-55 victory over West Virginia on Tuesday night.

"He missed a lot of open shots, but to his credit, he was there at the end for us," said Fighting Irish

coach Mike Brey. "He's hit a lot of big shots all year for us." Notre Dame (20-5, 8-3 Big East) earned its fourth straight 20-win season the hard way.

Matt Carroll led Notre Dame with 16 points and 10 rebounds, while Chris Thomas added 13 points and Torin Francis had 11.

Drew Schifino had 19 points for the Mountaineers (13-10, 4-7), who lost their eighth straight to the Irish. Notre Dame seemed to be in

control after Carroll hit a 3pointer for a 48-33 lead with 11:39 left in the game.

Brey knew that lead wouldn't stick.

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he said. West Virginia clawed back despite being outrebounded badly for the second time by Notre Dame

this season. Freshman Joe Herber, whose



Its last five games have been decided by six points or less.

"We're making a habit of this," Brey said.

Despite letting a 15-point lead slip away, the Irish stayed tied with Pittsburgh for second place in the West Division, one-half game behind firstplace Syracuse. No. 15 Syracuse beat St. John's 66-60 Tuesday night and No. 9 Pittsburgh beat Georgetown 82-67.

mother and sister flew in from his native Germany to watch him play, made his only basket of the game to tie the score at 52 with 1:49 left.

Thomas hit a floater in the lane with 1:02 left. Freshman Kevin Pittsnogle's 3-pointer 22 seconds later gave West Virginia its only lead of the game, 55-54.

Miller took a feed from

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Irish forward Dan Miller drives to the basket against Georgetown earlier this month in Notre Dame's 93-92 double overtime win over the Hoyas. Miller made the game-winning basket in Notre Dame's 56-55 win at West Virginia Tuesday night.

ORTS

MENS TENNIS

Notre Dame at Michigan State Today, 4 p.m.

After starting the season with four straight losses, the Irish have won two of their last three matches and look to continue their season turnaround in today's matchup against the Spartans.

SMC BASKETBALL

Adrian at Saint Mary's Today, 7 p.m.

The Belles hope to end their 11-game losing streak in their final home game of the season. A win would give the Belles some momentum going into the MIAA postseason tournament.

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