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Pilot takes off at ND

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

Future military pilots at Notre Dame — and some would-be civilian fliers — will soon have an opportunity to learn the basics of flight, thanks to a new course being offered next fall by the Department of Aerospace Studies.

The three-credit course, called "Introduction to Aeronautics," will deliver a broad look at the basic principles of contemporary aviation.

The class will continue a tradition of flight education at Notre Dame. During World War II, Navy programs trained many pilots who would go on to fly combat missions

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Janet Reno addresses public service

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

Janet Reno, former attorney general under President Clinton, addressed over 400 students and members of the public Tuesday night in Stepan Center.

The nation's former top law enforcement officer praised Notre Dame's "sense of public service" as she discussed issues ranging from Elian Gonzalez to the war in Iraq. She emphasized her experience in public service, which she characterized as "the greatest calling I have ever undertaken."

Reno, whose hands were trembling from Parkinson's disease, spoke about her modest upbringing in South Florida. Her family was outgrowing their small frame house, she said, and her mother decided to build a new home.

"She dug the foundation with her own hands," Reno said. She recalled when Hurricane Andrew barreled across Florida in 1992.

"The world outside looked like a World War I battlefield, but the house had only lost one shingle," she said. Reno used the story as a metaphor for preparedness in life.

"It's important to build a solid foundation," she said.

Reno discussed her accomplishments in public service, beginning with her tenure as a prosecutor in Dade County, Fla., where she helped to establish the Miami Drug Court at a time when the criminal justice system was bogged down by small drug cases arising from the 1980s' crack epidemic.

The new court helped convicts find rehabilitation and job training in exchange for agreeing to drug testing. The program proved successful, and hundreds of jurisdictions created their own similar courts.

"Recidivism was cut dramatically by the drug court process," Reno said.

She also spoke about the 1993 Branch Davidian standoff in Waco, Texas. Federal agents entered the cult's compound to arrest cult leader



PICTURE DESK PHOTOS

Former Attorney General Janet Reno spoke yesterday at Notre Dame, highlighting public service in her remarks.

David Koresh on weapons charges. Cult members shot 20 ATF agents, killing four and prompting a 51-day standoff.

The siege ended when Reno ordered agents to storm the compound with tear gas and

armored vehicles. A raging fire ensued, killing nearly 80 members of the Branch Davidian sect.

Reno called that day "the

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Cardiologist lectures on keeping a healthy heart

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

Brought back for the second year by popular demand, Dr. Paul Howard, co-director of St. Joseph Regional Medical Center's Cardiac Care Unit, discussed preventative means of reducing cardiovascular disease in a Tuesday night lecture titled "Heart Health: Advice from a Cardiologist." The presentation was the fourth in the Mini-Medical School Lecture Series.

Howard focused on the benefits of preventative care in reducing the risk of hypertension or high blood pressure, diabetes and hyperlipidemia or elevated blood cholesterol and triglyceride levels. The cardiologist also criticized the United States' approach to treating cardiovascular diseases, one that he said relies heavily on technology but underemphasizes preventative care.

"We get so much better results in medicine when we can prevent problems before they occur," he said. "Yes, technology is good, but we shouldn't just sit back and assume [it] will bail us out when we have a problem."

Howard encouraged those present to check their blood pressure regularly and begin monitoring cholesterol levels early. It's never too soon to start, he said; coronary disease begins to evolve in patients as young as age seven.

Howard also dismissed the notion

that there is an ideal blood pressure.

"The best blood pressure to have is one lower than you have," he said, adding that long-term elevated blood pressure leads to heart failure, strokes, coronary heart disease and renal failure.

Maintaining a low blood pressure involves avoiding abuses, according to Howard.

"Be judicious with your use of salt," he said. "I think some people live for the taste of salt rather than the other spices in the cabinet." The cardiologist focused on cholesterol management and distinguished between high-density lipoproteins (HDLs) and low-density lipoproteins (LDLs), the "good" and "bad" types of cholesterol.

He said the key to cholesterol management is a healthy diet and helped audience members sort through constantly changing opinions of what is healthy and what is

not.

"We're slowly understanding what good nutrition is," Howard said. "Recommendations have changed over time because we're understanding more about our body's biochemistry."

He encouraged people to eat less fat, especially saturated fats and said that only polyunsaturated fats found in certain vegetable oils, nuts and so-called "fishy fish" like tuna, salmon, sardines and herring are beneficial.

Cutting the fat in your diet is a solid

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"We're slowly understanding what good nutrition is."

Dr. Paul Howard
cardiologist

STUDENT SENATE

Referendum to be held

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS
News Writer

The Student Senate will be conducting a referendum, beginning today, to survey student opinion on the topic of in-hall dances.

The referendum, which will be open for voting until Friday, is the latest development in the Senate's year-long work on in-hall dances.

Last year's Senate passed a resolution calling for in-hall dances to be reinstated for a probationary period of one year. The Campus Life Council will debate this issue in their meeting Monday and will vote on the resolution.

Kevin Conley, Stanford Hall Senator for the 2002-03 term, worked on the referendum and the resolution while serving as Chair of the Senate's ResLife Committee. Conley said he believes the referendum is a good tool for the Senate to use in gauging student opinion.

"We know what [the Senate] thinks about it," Conley said, "but we want to know how the students

feel about it. We're not trying to serve ourselves; we're trying to serve our constituents."

The referendum is comprised of five questions:

◆ How do you feel about a dance policy requiring dances to be held on campus but outside the residence halls?

◆ How do you feel about a dance policy requiring dances to be held off campus?

◆ How do you feel about a dance policy allowing dances to be held in the residence halls?

◆ If dances are held in the residence halls, how do you feel about a policy requiring you to:

a) leave your room at a specific time to go down to the dance and

b) stay at the dance for a specific period of time before being allowed to go back to your room?

Conley said the most important thing for students to learn from this referendum is that even if dances return to the residence halls, they will not be the same as they were in the past.

"We want students to understand that if they do come back that they're not going to be the same as before," Conley said. The purpose of the referendum, he said, is to see how students would feel about the

proposed regulations.

Jeremy Lao, Student Body Vice President, commented on the importance of student response to this referendum.

"We hope to get enough students to respond [so that we have] a definitive answer on how students feel. We want to have good evidence to show what students want," Lao said. "I would encourage everyone to respond to the survey and give their true feelings on a new in-hall dance policy. The more people vote, the more information we have to back our policy. If the results strongly indicate that students want dances back, that will support our resolution at the meeting."

He also said that the Senate will probably sponsor a letter to the CLC in support of their resolution this week.

"I expect a letter to be coming from one of the Senate's committees this week," Lao said.

Students were notified of the referendum through e-mail Tuesday night and were provided a link through which to vote. Lao also said that three \$50 Domer Dollar certificates will be raffled off to students who participate in the voting.

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Lao

INSIDE COLUMN

A simple message

In a time when emotions and fears are at a critical high, it seems that it is human nature to become consumed by feelings of vengeance. America is at war because the evil enemy must be found and killed, no matter what the cost.

As a result, those who oppose the war express their outrage at civilian casualties. In turn, there is indignation toward these protestors who are deemed "unpatriotic."

All of those who feel strongly about this war have become "shocked and awed" with feelings of contempt and disgust for the actions of others.

Claire Kelley

Lab Tech

But as Sister Helen Prejean argued on Monday night, those vengeful feelings are taught and encouraged by a society that can lead to misguided action in matters of life and death.

An example is the governmental authorization of the death penalty. As author of the book "Dead Man Walking," in which she describes her experience as a spiritual adviser for death row inmates, Prejean questioned the notion that families of victims of violent crimes deserve the "closure" of watching the perpetrator being executed.

Instead she says the experience of witnessing an execution only leads to more psychological distress and does not alleviate the pain from the death of a loved one.

Killing people who kill will never bring real healing

Like Prejean, I believe that acts of violence are not justified by appeals to deterrence, retribution or even patriotism and freedom. The true challenge is to maintain an open mind and an objective clarity.

Every time we renounce reason and patience in order to solve a conflict with violence, we further the effects of the social problems we are attempting to solve.

Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Hate begets hate; violence begets violence," and that certainly seems to be happening now. Violent terrorist acts have resulted in a violent war and a world that hates us.

In the aftermath of violence will we be able to restore peace and establish democracy in a country where the people have been subjected to bombing, destruction and death?

In our world and even in our own country, can we resolve the anger we feel toward each other and break the cycle of vengeance?

We can, with a steadfast commitment to life, to peace and to love.

When she signed my copy of her book, Sister Prejean's message was simple: Choose life.

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ND/SMC women's lacrosse takes off	British troops attempt to stop looting of Basra	Hook-Up fulfills gifting needs	Relationships: hold 'em or fold 'em?	Twelfth Night	Back to work
The Notre Dame / Saint Mary's Women's Lacrosse Club gains official recognition as they play their first season.	British troops who stormed the city of Basra earlier in the week encountered looting and disruption throughout the town.	A student business continues its services as Notre Dame's on-campus SYR gift provider.	Seniors are playing the relationship game one last time as the semester quickly closes in, says Observer columnist Jacqueline Browder.	The Department of Film, Television and Theater presents Shakespeare's classic masquerade this week in Washington Hall.	Freshman quarterback Chris Olsen is trying to move up the depth charts during spring practice.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- Student Senate meeting
6 p.m. at Notre Dame Room, LaFortune
- ND Cinema: "Sexy Beast"
7 p.m. at Hlesburgh Library Auditorium
- A Student Dialogue on War with Iraq
7 p.m. at Coleman-Morse Lounge

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- Irish Dance lessons
5:30 p.m. at 231NE Madeleva Hall
- Room selections
6:30 p.m. at Reinbeaux Lounge, LeMans Hall
- Adult Children of Alcoholics meeting
7 p.m. at 317N Madeleva Hall

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Accident occurs on Juniper
Two cars collided on Juniper Road Monday. No injuries were sustained, but at least one car sustained damage.

Student loses Kontrol Kard
A student lost his Kontrol Kard at an off-campus location Monday.

Student's bike stolen
A student reported the theft of her locked bike from the D02 student parking lot between 11 p.m. Friday and 1 a.m. Saturday. There are no suspects.

Student's vehicle towed
A student's vehicle was towed from Main Circle Monday for a parking violation.

-compiled from the NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Shrimp spaghetti, southwestern pasta sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnover, pretzel sticks, chicken breast with walnut plum sauce, cherry crisp, cheddar-crumbed scrod, vegetable rice casserole, baked potato, whipped potatoes, Polish sausage sandwich, sauerkraut, crinkle fries, beef and pepper stir-fry, sunshine French toast

Today's Dinner: Roast turkey breast, bread stuffing, cherry crisp, broccoli quiche, asparagus cuts and tips, vegetable ratatouille, hickory-smoke pork chops, applesauce, cornbread, tater tots, seafood medley stir-fry, tomato pizza, pretzel sticks, apple turnover, shrimp spaghetti, brown sauce, corn

South Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Linguine with vegetables, Puerto Rican pasta sauce, basil-garlic linguine, sausage calzone, scalloped corn casserole, honey-garlic pork chops, pollock with herbs, rotisserie chicken, boulangere potatoes, wild rice pilaf with pine nuts, tangy grilled chicken sandwich, steakhouse fries, soft pretzel, vegan Szechuan noodles, BBQ Caribbean chicken wings

Today's Dinner: Amatriciana, Puerto Rican pasta sauce, basil-garlic linguine, sausage calzone, Jamaican jerk pork loin, grilled ham steak, beef potato pie, lemon-baked perch, parslid potatoes, rice Valencienne, BBQ chicken sandwich, beef and pepper casserole

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Grilled hummus baguette, herb pasta, couscous salad, broiled tomato, sizzling chicken caesar salad, broiled hamburger, corn dogs, Monte Carlo sandwich, extreme French fries, grilled roast beef wrap, herb rice pilaf, cauliflower, tuna salad, sliced honey ham, cauliflower, vegetable pizza, cheese calzones, bread sticks, BLT loafer, cream of broccoli soup, cole slaw, chicken and rice soup, Jell-O

Today's Dinner: Vegetarian panini, herb pasta, garden tomato sauce, baked potatoes, roasted root vegetable, pancake and waffle bar, hash browns, tacos and burrito bar, Spanish rice pilaf, refried beans, grilled pizza bread

LOCAL WEATHER

TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
HIGH 46 LOW 31	HIGH 42 LOW 28	HIGH 54 LOW 33	HIGH 59 LOW 37	HIGH 60 LOW 38	HIGH 64 LOW 47

Atlanta 58 / 38 Boston 45 / 34 Chicago 48 / 30 Denver 70 / 41 Houston 67 / 42 Los Angeles 83 / 54 Minneapolis 56 / 34 New York 42 / 38 Philadelphia 42 / 35 Phoenix 90 / 61 Seattle 56 / 42 St. Louis 53 / 37 Tampa 75 / 61 Washington 57 / 38

SMC freshman to walk for cancer

By ANGELA SAOUD
News Writer

Saint Mary's freshman Jill Funnell will participate in Cincinnati's 40-mile Avon Walk for Breast Cancer May 17-18.

Funnell first became interested in this walk when her friend pointed out an article about the walk in a magazine. Her great-aunt had breast cancer, but there is a larger reason for her walking.

"This is something that affects one out of eight women," Funnell said. "Attending an all-women's college makes me want to be active with women's health issues."

Funnell said she has been training for the two-day event by running and walking a few miles daily.

By signing up for the Cincinnati walk, one of eight around the country, Funnell also promised to raise \$1,750.

The money that Funnell raises will support breast cancer research, education and early detection programs and clinical care and support services for women with the disease.

"I was intimidated when I first thought about the figure, but it's turned out to be a lot easier than I thought it was going to be," Funnell said. "Saint Mary's has been so won-

derful in supporting me. I've been inspired by all the support everyone has given to me."

Funnell began her fundraising campaign by giving presentations to all major boards at Saint Mary's. Since then, various organizations have sponsored her with such fundraisers as a bake sale and a penny war race.

Recently she was informed that a charity softball game will be held to assist her fundraising, and several R.A.'s in McCandless Hall have volunteered to participate in a pie-in-the-face game. Funnell has also been selling pink breast cancer awareness ribbons.

"I only have a couple hundred of dollars left to raise," she said. "I would estimate that I have close to \$1,500. My family and friends have also been helping me in this cause. Between all these resources, I know it will all come together."

Although this is Avon Walk for Breast Cancer's inaugural year, the Avon Foundation has been helping to improve the lives of women and their families for nearly 50 years.

If it becomes an annual event, Funnell said she plans to participate again in the future.

"I'll crawl to the end if I have to. I'll do whatever it takes," she said.

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Group raising literacy levels

By JULIA MILLER-LEMON
News Writer

Teamwork for Tomorrow, a non-profit group run by volunteers from the Notre Dame-Saint Mary's community, is dedicated to raising the literacy level of children who live in South Bend's public housing projects and attend the local public schools.

Founded in July 1998 by a small group of Notre Dame students, its mission was to combine literacy, athletics and mentoring into an extra-curricular educational program that would brighten the futures of local children.

"The program was started basically because people were frustrated with the accountability of both the Notre Dame volunteers and the kids coming to the program," said Mary Murphy, Teamwork for Tomorrow president. "People would decide not to come one day because they had a test the next morning, or a kid would just not show up. All of the tutors and the kids have to sign a contract promising to come every day and be fully involved."

The 75 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's volunteers meet with the same child twice a week for two hours, and have all made a pledge to aid in the achievement of the five goals of the organization.

The primary goal of the group is to improve its participants' reading skills. Based on a curriculum set up by Elementary

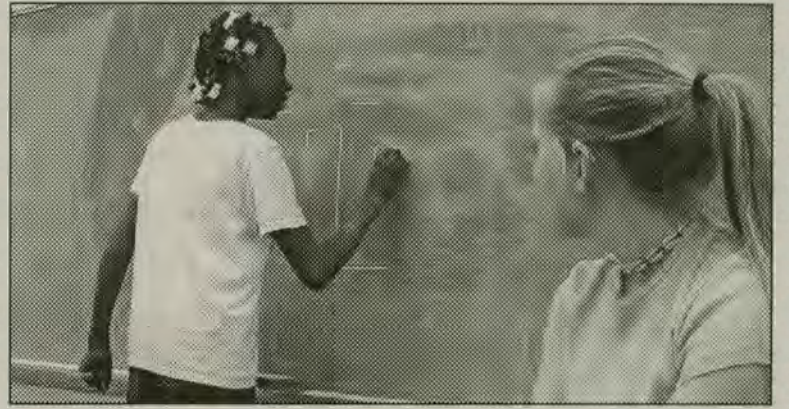


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Keyona Brooks works at the blackboard as her tutor, Laura Riccl, looks on.

Education majors at Saint Mary's and advisors from the University of Notre Dame's Institute for Educational Initiatives, each tutoring session emphasizes oral and silent reading and vocabulary development.

Sports are given a particular amount of attention, as children spend half of each two-hour session working on athletic skills that are intended to serve as an incentive to learn, foster growth in sportsmanship and emphasize the importance of teamwork in their daily lives.

The group also aims to improve the health and nutrition of each child by providing a healthy daily snack.

Sophomore Frank McConville said that he has worked for other tutoring organizations before, but this one stands out.

"I've gotten a lot more personal with my kid," McConville said. "I've really taken on the role of a mentor. You start to feel respon-

sible for improving the reading level of the child you are working with. You get to the point where you are fostering a very personal relationship with your kid, and you don't want to let them down."

Murphy said Teamwork encourages tutors to see their kids off-site.

A significant role of the Teamwork volunteer is his or her commitment to foster a positive relationship with the child that they work with.

Recently, the group took 70 participants to a Notre Dame women's basketball game, and last Sunday they organized the second annual "Kids These Days" talent show, hosting over 40 children, their parents and tutors, and members of the South Bend and Notre Dame communities.

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WANT TO DRAW A COMIC?

Do you open up the back page of the Observer and say, "I can do better than this!"?

Well, you'd be surprised how hard a good crossword puzzle is to make, believe me. But if you know you'd like to do a *comic* for next year's Observer, here's what to do:

Submit 5 example strips and a description of your comic to editor Andrew Soukup no later than **TUESDAY, APRIL 15th.**

Pilot

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over Europe and the Pacific.

The Air Force ROTC also sponsored a similar course for 24 years. That class was open to the entire student body, though the new course will be primarily targeted at Navy and Air Force ROTC cadets who are interested in flying.

ROTC students and licensed pilots Joseph Friel, Jeff Newcamp and Bryan McCarthy will instruct the class under the direction of Lt. Cmdr. Dan Walsh, who teaches naval science courses to Notre Dame midshipmen.

The class will cover navigation, airplane systems and safety, though no actual flight time will be offered, Newcamp said.

The previous incarnation of the class allowed students to fly, but that practice was ended due to liability concerns.

Walsh, who was a naval aviator for 18 years after graduating from Notre Dame, emphasized that the class will not teach students how to fly. "We want to create an interest in people," Walsh said. "This is purely academic and preparatory for the ground school completion course."

The course can be applied toward credits needed to receive an FAA pilot's license.

The aim of the class is "teaching the science of aeronautics, inspiring the art of flight, and producing aviation candidates for the military and civilian communities," said promotional materials. The class, number AS 313, is offered by the aerospace studies department in conjunction with the Notre Dame Pilot Initiative. Information on the course can be found at www.nd.edu/~ndpi.

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Reno

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hardest day of my life," but she defended her decision. "I accepted the responsibility for what happened. The buck stops here," she said.

Reno was more regretful when she began to discuss her failed bid in the 2002 Florida gubernatorial race.

She was defeated in the Democratic primary by Tampa attorney Bill McBride in a close race characterized by massive fundraising. Reno raised about \$2.6 million in the campaign, compared to McBride's \$4.2 million.

"I regret that it was not more of a grassroots campaign at the outset," she said, and went on to call for reforms — including free airtime for candidates — to reduce the necessity of high-dollar campaigns.

"We do not have to accept the fact that money controls elections," she said.

Reno went on to propose broad changes in government social programs and policies, criticizing what she called the

"cookie cutter education system," calling for schools that focus on students' "aptitudes and interests."

She also proposed wider use of affirmative action policies. "Why do we wait until the law school or university level? Why don't we have affirmative action for all our children?" Reno asked.

The talk was not all serious, however. Reno joked about her appearance on Saturday Night Live.

"I walked into NBC and there was Will Ferrell, in my blue suit," she said. She praised the actor as "one of the most versatile people I've ever met," but then added softly, "It was a ghastly impersonation."

Kim Zigich, the Student Union Board's Director of Programming, invited Reno while she was serving as SUB's programmer of the Ideas and Issues committee. She praised Reno's speech, calling her "someone who could bring different ideas and viewpoints to the campus."

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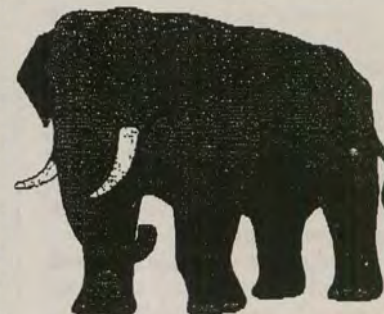
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Rewards and Fairies:

The Idea of England and
The Lord of the Rings

The lecture will begin at 4 p.m. and is expected to be two hours in length (with a refreshment break). It will be held on Tuesday in the auditorium of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

IRAQ

British troops attempt to stop looting of Basra

Associated Press

BASRA

Brazen looters plundered government buildings, universities and even hospitals in Basra on Tuesday despite the presence of British troops in Iraq's second-largest city, roaming the streets to grab whatever they could — ceiling fans, mattresses, car seats, furniture, slabs of wood.

British troops had claimed Basra the day before, but found law and order hard to impose. Troops rolling through the city in tanks and on foot did little to quell the looting, other than to issue warnings over loudspeakers.

A Red Cross representative said the looting could delay relief efforts in the city of 1.3 million. And many Basra residents said they were angry and fearful that the troops were failing to control the lawlessness.

"It's a bad situation. What will happen in the future? There is no civil life left. I am very afraid," said Hussein Kudur, a port worker who watched fellow residents plundering a badly damaged Sheraton Hotel along the river.

Air Marshal Brian Burridge, commander of British forces in the Persian Gulf, predicted British forces would soon be able to restore law and order.

"There was a release of pent-up annoyance, hatred against the Baath party and the Baathist regime — once that safety valve has blown, then we tend to be in a position to engender a sense of responsibility," Burridge said. "So the business of protecting property starts to get a bit easier."

Col. Chris Vernon, spokesman for the British forces, said the troops would use local police as much as possible. The British already have put a local sheik in power and asked him to set up an administrative committee for the region, Vernon said.

British military officials said their main goal Tuesday was to assess hospitals, government buildings and schools. Maj. Norrie Robertson said British forces would move to secure public facilities in the next few days because "we're turning the focus from fighting to helping the community."

British officials sent out 10 water tankers, carrying 5,200 gallons of water each, which were promptly mobbed by hundreds of thirsty residents. Troops tried to impose an orderly distribution of water but were soon overwhelmed by crowds of people carrying plastic bottles, vegetable tins and plastic jugs.

The Scots Dragoon Guards set up a checkpoint on the main southern highway exiting the city



Zuma

A British soldier walks past a monument to Saddam Hussien during a patrol of the streets of Iraq's second largest city, Basra. The presence of British troops in the city has failed to end a continuous wave of plundering and lawlessness.

to stop looters from carting away aid supplies ransacked from a Red Crescent distribution center.

Hundreds of burlap and nylon sacks of sugar, tea and rice were piled high on the side of the

road, where British troops forced drivers to unload the looted goods. Approving residents driving by gave soldiers the thumbs up and shouted "Ali Baba," which means "thief."

Outside the Sheraton Hotel, managing director Riyadh al-Amar expressed frustration that British forces were not fully policing the city from lawless hoodlums.

Medicare administrators face collusion allegations

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Members of Congress are looking into allegations that the federal Medicare administrator improperly shut the Gallup Organization and other polling firms out of a chance to develop a new survey of patient satisfaction, which is used in evaluating hospital performance.

Gallup sued Medicaid chief Thomas Scully and five unnamed co-workers at the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services on Tuesday. The lawsuit alleged Scully tried to bully a Gallup official who was looking into alleged collusion over the patient satisfaction surveys between the Centers for

Medicare and Medicaid Services and the small Nebraska survey firm, National Research Corp.-Picker.

The suit cites a March 5 e-mail message Scully sent to Bob Nielsen, managing partner for Gallup, calling him an "idiot," "jerk" and "weasel" for trying to get the new survey's financing stopped until an investigation was conducted.

Earlier that day, Nielsen had sent an e-mail message to Office of Management and Budget official Brenda Aquilar, asking that funding for a pilot study be halted pending an investigation.

Scully also threatened to stop speaking with Aquilar if she met with Nielsen on the matter. According to the suit, he wrote: "Brenda, if you meet

with this guy it will be the last time I ever speak to you about CMS issues. I would like to investigate this idiot — I'm the most open person in Washington and this JERK has never called me."

Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, has written to Scully asking about the allegations that he favored NRC-Picker. Tauzin noted that questions have been raised about whether proper contracting requirements were followed and whether "development of a survey instrument was tainted by the involvement of government employees with conflicts of interest."

He asked that his committee be given the information by Friday.

Earlier, Rep. Lee Terry, R-Neb.,

wrote to OMB Director Mitch Daniels asking that financing for the pilot survey be halted until the matter is resolved.

Scully's agency and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality developed the survey, which is designed to help evaluate hospital performance by comparing patients' experiences.

"This lawsuit is the result of a long and sorry road of deception and collusion at CMS, and was filed to protect Gallup's reputation," said James Clifton, Gallup chairman and CEO. The suit sought unspecified damages and a court order barring Scully and his colleagues from favoring NRC-Picker.

A call to Scully was not immediately returned.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

European war opponents meet in Russia:

The leaders of France, Russia and Germany — chief European opponents of the U.S.-led war in Iraq — will be in St. Petersburg this weekend for meetings on Iraq's reconstruction. French President Jacques Chirac will be in St. Petersburg on Friday and Saturday, the Kremlin said. German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder was already slated to meet with President Vladimir Putin in the former imperial capital on those days. The schedule of meetings, or whether all three leaders would meet at once, wasn't clear.

Iran's president may receive more power:

Iran's reformist-dominated parliament on Tuesday approved a bill that would enable the president to override some decisions by the country's hard-line leaders. However, members of the hard-line Guardian Council, which must approve legislation before it becomes law, have indicated that the bill will be rejected.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Compromise possible in Philip Morris suit:

A judge who had ordered Philip Morris to pay \$12 billion in a class-action lawsuit over "light" cigarettes said Tuesday that a compromise may be reached in a dispute over the tobacco company's payment of the claim. "I see some possibilities for resolving this matter," Madison County Judge Nicholas Byron said before closing his courtroom. "What will be reached will be reached on a consensual basis." Both sides were scheduled to return to talks in Byron's courtroom on Thursday, plaintiff's attorney Stephen Tillery said.

Visa, Mastercard must refund \$800M:

A judge on Tuesday ordered credit card giants Visa and MasterCard to refund an estimated \$800 million to U.S. customers who paid a hidden fee on purchases made in foreign countries. Judge Ronald Sabraw's decision finalized a tentative ruling that had been under court seal since February.

Pakistani terrorist suspects released on bail:

Two Pakistani men charged with immigration violations but also suspected by the FBI of having ties to terrorist groups were ordered released on bail Tuesday. U.S. District Judge Lewis Babcock said the government failed to prove that Sajjad Nasser or Irfan Kamran were a threat to the community. Federal prosecutors, who had appealed a federal magistrate's decision to grant the men bail last week, said Tuesday they may appeal Babcock's order as well.

Retarded man beaten to death by teens:

A 39-year-old retarded man who liked to dress up like Batman and tell neighbors he was a crime-fighter was beaten to death in the lobby of an apartment building in Hartford, Conn., where he had been placed by state officials. Ricky Whistnant died at the scene Saturday. He fell and hit his head on a radiator after three teens pelted him with bottles of soda he had just bought, authorities who viewed a security video of the attack said.

Women's lacrosse club starts season

By NICOLE ZOOK
News Writer

After spending a year as an unofficial group, the Saint Mary's/Notre Dame Women's Lacrosse Club has begun its first season as an officially recognized, student-run group.

"Coming to college and not having this huge aspect of my life was really difficult," Saint Mary's sophomore and club president Kate Weiss said. "I decided that lacrosse was something there was enough interest in just walking around campus. I knew the demand was there, and I wanted to allow other people to play."

In order to fill that void, Weiss spoke with Saint Mary's Sports Information Director Gregg Petcoff, who later became the team's adviser, and representatives from USLacrosse, the governing body of the sport in the United States, about the possibility of beginning a team last year.

She spent the summer of 2002 enrolling the club in USLacrosse and the Women's College Lacrosse League under the Women's Division Intercollegiate Associates.

The Saint Mary's/Notre Dame Lacrosse Club joined the WCLL's fourth division, joining five other teams from Indiana and the surrounding area.

"We had to go through and apply for club status in the fall," Weiss said. "Through a generous contribution from [Board of Governance], we were able to cover team start-up cost. Without that, we wouldn't have been able to start as a club. They were very supportive of our idea."

The 20 team members hail from both Notre Dame and

Saint Mary's, half from each school. Last week, the club attracted new recruits at Saint Mary's Accepted Students Day.

"The girls are thrilled about the club, trying to get it on campus and trying to advertise it, because we need Saint Mary's women."

Gregg Petcoff
team adviser

we need Saint Mary's women," Petcoff said.

The team is assisted by Petcoff and volunteer coach Christy Yarnell, who played on the national Under-19 USA Lacrosse team and served as assistant coach for Notre Dame's varsity women's team for two years.

"Everything you do," Petcoff said, "sometimes you need to fall into a little bit of luck.

Ours was Christy."

Weiss agreed.

"She basically fell into our lap," she said. "She is an incredible asset to our team. We owe a lot of our success to her."

The team holds a 3-2 record, is ranked third in its division, and sixteenth overall in the league. It recently played teams from Miami University of Ohio, Indiana University, Ball State University, Hope College and Taylor University.

They will travel to Purdue Friday for their sixth game out of seven before qualifying for the regional tournament April 26-27.

"I've been so impressed with the way our team has come together so far, and we've done better than I ever imagined we could," Weiss said. "My initial goal was to just get things going."

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bet toward reducing cholesterol, Howard said. He added that tea extracts and soy isoflavone may also have effects on cholesterol levels but that studies indicate antioxidants vitamins and garlic are not particularly helpful in reducing cholesterol.

The ideal diet, according to Howard, is the Mediterranean one, but not because of the prevalence of olive oil as originally thought. Rather, he said, it's due to the high quantity of nuts and fish consumed that contain polyunsaturated fats.

The American diet and its emphasis on processed food, Howard said, is not only responsible for higher levels of cholesterol but also an increased incidence of Type II Diabetes.

Prior to 1933 and the advent of processed foods, the American diabetes prevalence rate was less than one percent, he said. In 1998, it jumped to nearly eight percent. Today, it is estimated that 5.4 million people have undiagnosed Type II Diabetes in the United States.

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MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	+1.62	+0.41	25.58
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SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	-1.49	-0.05	3.31
ORACLE CORP (ORCL)	-1.79	-0.21	11.50

IN BRIEF

War, virus prompt layoffs at Qantas

Australian flag carrier Qantas said Wednesday it will lay off 1,000 employees before the end of June in response to the twin troubles of war in Iraq and the deadly SARS virus. Qantas chief executive Geoff Dixon said the cuts were part of an ongoing restructuring program in response to changes in the aviation market. "We regret the need for this action," Dixon said in a statement to the Australian Stock Exchange. "However, it is vital we move quickly to protect our position in a very difficult and competitive industry." The carrier employs about 37,000.

Life Savers moves to Canadian factory

After a 36-year run, the last Life Savers to be made in the United States are rolling out of Michigan. The lone U.S. factory that makes the candy will close Friday as Kraft Foods Inc. consolidates its entire Life Savers production at a Canada factory. Former employee Joyce Van Dam says the sweet scents and memories gradually have diminished during the months since Kraft announced its decision to close the plant. "It's kind of an empty feeling whenever you pass there," she told The Holland Sentinel. Kraft's decision to move Life Savers operations to a 900,000 square-foot facility in Mount Royal, Quebec, means the loss of 600 jobs and Holland's third-largest taxpayer.

Network hopes to compete with MTV

The television network MuchMusic USA, seeking to distinguish itself in a market dominated by MTV and its related networks, will take the name Fuse. It also has built a \$12 million studio with windows open to the street across from Madison Square Garden, about a dozen blocks south of MTV's Times Square studios. "There was really only one company's voice in popular music and culture, and we thought there should be another," said Josh Sapan, president of Fuse's parent company, Rainbow Media.

The Hook-Up corners niche

◆ Affordable, unique SYR gifts a reliable sell

By HELENA PAYNE
Senior Staff Writer

Since its debut in March, the campus gift shop The Hook-Up has had an average of 80 to 100 sales each week and racked up over 140 sales last week, said store managers Steve Dick and Mike Iselin.

"It's been a huge success like I would never imagine," said Dick, who opened the store with fellow sophomore Iselin.

The Hook-Up mainly sells gifts under \$10 for dorm dances, although Dick said people can still find small items for birthdays and anniversaries.

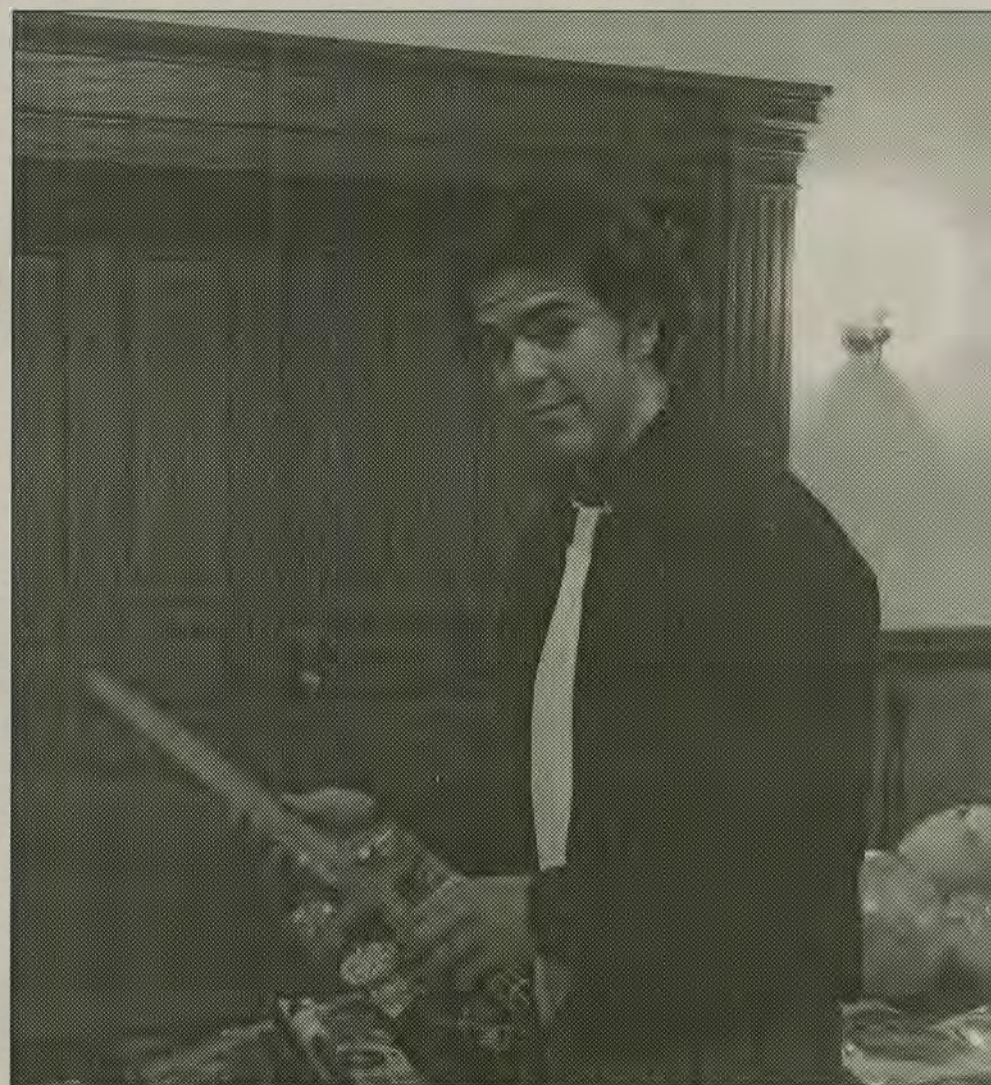
"What I have in mind is when people think of SYRs [Screw Your Roommate dorm dances], they think of The Hook-Up," Dick said.

Sophomore Jessica Freeman, who went to the store Friday to buy a gift for the Lewis Crush dance, said the LaFortune store was convenient to have on campus.

"It's something that the University needed. ... Everyone needs gifts for SYRs," she said.

With a niche market in mind, the two members of the Notre Dame Entrepreneurs Club are brainstorming ways to expand and improve their business, including offering more items. The Hook-Up has tripled its inventory and has carried over 170 products since its opening. Dick and Iselin said.

The store has also focused on selling items related to dance themes. On Friday, six dorms were having dances, including Breen-Phillips Hall's Beach Party. In response, The Hook-Up sold inflatable palm trees



ANDY KENNA/The Observer

Sophomore Steve Dick entices potential customers with a toy sword at The Hook-Up. Dick and his partner Mike Iselin operate the SYR gift shop in LaFortune every Friday

and beach balls. Senior Dave Cantos, who attended the dance with his girlfriend, said he went to the store Friday to buy Play-Doh.

"I ended up making dolphins out of it," Cantos said.

The store is open every Friday from 4 to 8 p.m. in LaFortune's Dooley Room, but Dick and Iselin also take orders online, and with permission from rectors, have delivered some items to residence halls. Dick said they were also considering opening the store on Saturdays, as well as making it possible for students' parents to order gifts for birthdays.

Customer favorites

include childhood memorabilia like Mr. Potato Head, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and bubbles, as well as interactive toys like Nerf dart guns, water guns and balls.

"We want to keep gifts unique," Dick said. "We don't want people all around campus getting the same gifts."

He added that the store wasn't able to carry some items that could be popular because of their price. One example is the Dancing Hamsters.

"We were pretty tempted to sell those bad boys," Dick said.

So far, The Hook-Up has made over \$800, according to Iselin.

"I'm definitely pleased with how we're doing," Iselin said.

At the end of the year, Dick said he and Iselin plan to donate the money to the Minnesota-based Newhill Music Foundation. If the Entrepreneurs Club and Student Activities allows The Hook-Up to open again next year, Dick said he is interested in donating to other charities, including the South Bend Center for the Homeless.

"We're still holding strong with the non-profit aspect of everything," Dick said.

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GM abandons electric-powered cars

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO

When General Motors charged up its first electric-powered vehicle in the late 1980s, it was heralded as the "car of the future."

California officials saw it as salvation for their smog-choked cities and quickly made the new technology the centerpiece of their toughest-in-the-nation emissions rules.

But now, more than a decade later, the state is retreating from those strict pollution policies, and dozens of GM's electric EV1s are lined up behind a chain-link fence in Van Nuys. The Big Three automakers have all abandoned their electric-battery vehicles and are focus-

ing instead on low-polluting hybrids and other technology.

GM spokesman Dave Barthmuss said the company is taking back the remaining 375 of its 1,000 pioneering EV1s as their leases expire because it can't supply parts to repair them. Some will end up in museums or research labs. Others will be used for spare parts.

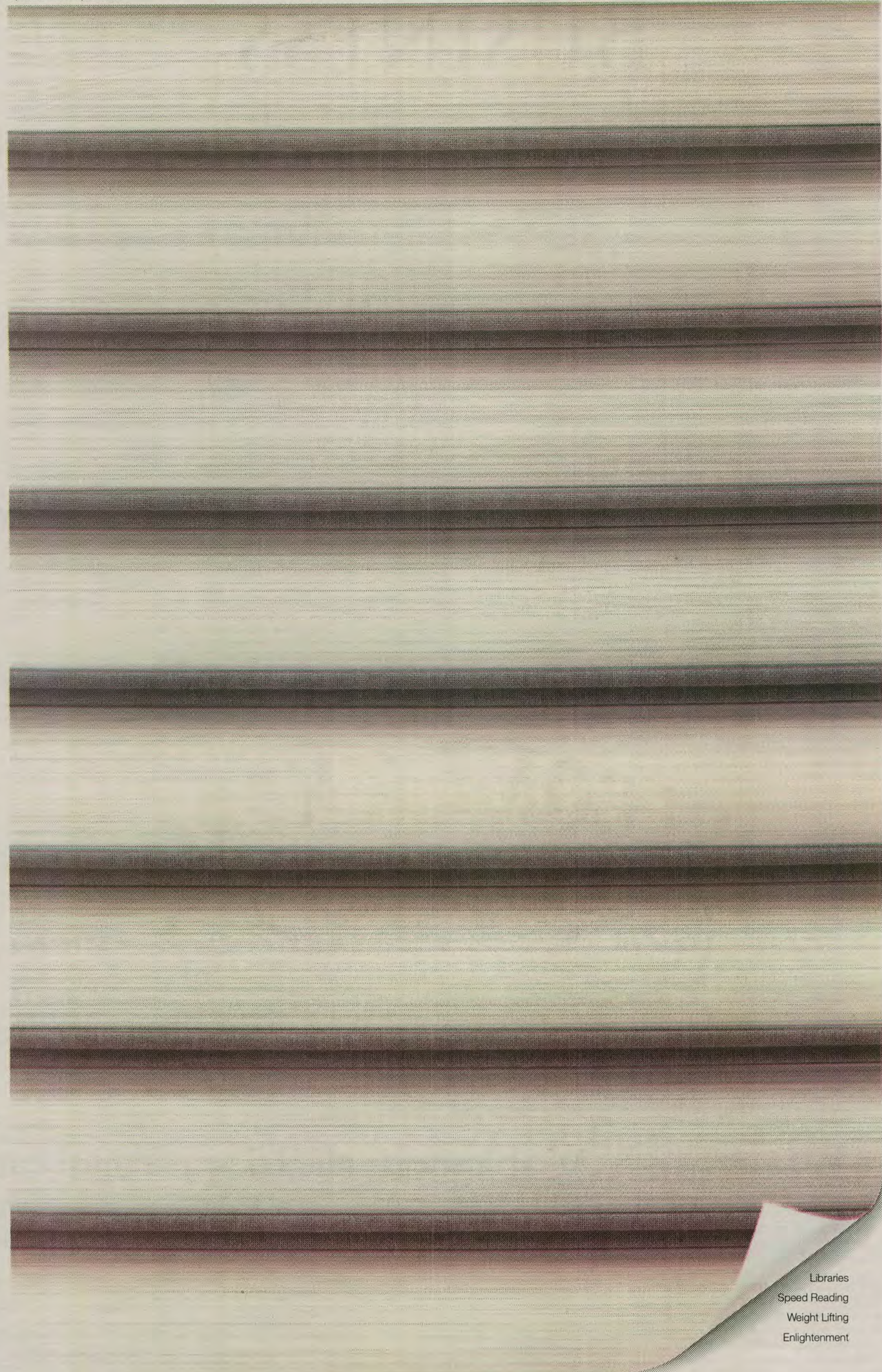
It's a long way from a program once touted as GM's clean air solution, and it comes as California again rewrites its once-ambitious zero emissions vehicle rules. The plan launched in 1990 would have required 10 percent of cars for sale in the state this year be non-polluting. Today, state regulators are asking that 10 percent be at least low-

pollution by 2005, but even that is on hold for now.

Carmakers, who have fought the rules, say the market should dictate what they build, not state regulators.

To the drivers who embraced the technology, the loss of the EV1 is a heartbreaking prelude to the end of battery-powered vehicles.

"They've gone from being regulators to just asking politely, 'Gee, industry, would you do this?'" said Greg Hanssen, of the Production Electric Vehicle Drivers Coalition, which has lobbied for more battery-powered cars. "To us driving battery electric vehicles, we're saying, 'Hey, you've left us hanging out to dry.'"



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Social service agency votes to take money

Associated Press

BOSTON
A Roman Catholic social services agency has voted to accept \$35,000 from a lay reform group that has been critical of the church over the abuse scandal, saying its responsibility to the poor outweighs an edict from the head of the archdiocese.

"We have a fiduciary obligation to the poor people of the greater Boston area," Catholic Charities President Dr. Joseph Doolin said after the board of trustees' vote Tuesday.

Last week, Bishop Richard Lennon, the interim successor to Cardinal Bernard Law, directed the agency not to take the money from the Voice of the Faithful.

Trustees said they met with Lennon last week to explain why the agency would likely accept the donation, which will be used to fund food pantries.

"This was a painful decision," said board chairman Neil Finnegan. "It did not feel like defying the bishop — it felt like we were put in a tough spot and made a decision that the vast majority of the board felt more comfortable with."

In a statement, Lennon said he was "disappointed" by the vote, but would not take any action in response, adding

that one of his chief aims is to "work toward ending division and fostering unity within the Archdiocese of Boston."

A church spokesman, the Rev. Christopher Coyne, has said the reform group's fundraising is hurting the church's own efforts to raise money. Coyne also said the archdiocese expected Catholic Charities to refuse the money because its bylaws require it to follow church policies.

Members of Voice of the Faithful, which claims 30,000 members in the U.S., gathered in Wellesley Tuesday night to attend a Lenten prayer service officiated by Lennon. The bishop did not mention the issue during the service.

"At the end of the day, they decided the needs of the people took precedence over the needs of the power structure," said Steve Krueger, the group's executive director.

Last December, Catholic Charities accepted \$56,000 from the reform group. The archdiocese didn't specifically tell the agency not to take that donation, which occurred during Law's chaotic last days before his resignation.

Voice of the Faithful was established last year as the clergy sex abuse crisis erupted in Boston, with its revelations that church leaders reassigned alleged molesters to parish work.

Lawmakers debate budget

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
House and Senate Republicans moved Tuesday toward striking a deal that would let the two chambers pass a compromise 2004 budget this week but settle their differences over the size of a tax cut later, aides said.

Under the proposal — which still needed sign-offs from many lawmakers and on which some final decisions remained — the budget would let the more conservative House write a tax bill later this year with a deeper tax cut than the more moderate Senate has approved. The two chambers would then have to agree to a common figure before the tax bill could be sent to President Bush for his signature.

The plan was, in effect, a decision to postpone resolving the simmering House-Senate dispute over the size of the tax cut until many weeks from now. It was described by aides from both Republican-run chambers who spoke on condition of anonymity.

It also provided hope to Bush that the 10-year, \$726 billion tax cut he has proposed to energize the economy would not be cut in half, as the Senate voted to do last month. Bush's tax package — which would elimi-

nate individuals' taxes on corporate dividends and accelerate some income-tax cuts — is one of the cornerstones of his domestic agenda this year.

Congress' budget sets revenue and expenditure totals for the year, and does not need the president's signature. Subsequent tax and spending bills make actual changes in law.

Passage of a budget has been crucial to GOP tax-cutting plans because the measure can protect a tax reduction from Senate delays, or filibusters, that take 60 of the chamber's 100 votes to halt. Republicans have badly wanted to give Bush's tax cuts that procedural protection from the Senate's 48 Democrats, who mostly oppose even a \$350 billion reduction, citing massive federal deficits.

The House included a \$726 billion tax reduction in the budget it approved last month.

The Senate budget, however, endorsed a \$350 billion tax package. The chamber included that lower figure in its budget after moderates from both parties demanded a limit on tax reductions because of soaring federal deficits and the costs of war with Iraq.

Aides cautioned that under the proposed compromise, each chamber's tax-cutting number would not

necessarily be the figure it approved in its initial budget.

The unusual agreement, if completed, means the House and Senate would probably be able to approve a \$2.2 trillion budget for 2004 by late this week, when lawmakers plan to begin a two-week recess.

"We're going to do it before the break," Senate Budget Committee Chairman Don Nickles, R-Okla., said.

Leaders hope to begin writing actual tax-cutting legislation after the recess.

The proposal emerged after a day of meetings in which congressional leaders sought the votes to make the final budget's tax reduction as large as possible.

Until Tuesday evening, GOP House and Senate bargainers had been stymied in efforts to craft a budget compromise, with moderates refusing to support a reduction bigger than \$350 billion but conservatives threatening to oppose one that small.

Senate Republicans hold a 51-48 edge over Democrats, plus a Democratic-leaning independent. Sen. Zell Miller, D-Ga., supports Bush's full \$726 billion plan, but four moderate senators have refused to back anything bigger than \$350 billion, leaving the GOP two votes short of being able to increase the tax cut's size.

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Relationships: hold 'em or fold 'em?

Relationships have always been thought of as a game and a gamble. We play our hands as best we can and hope that we come out a winner, or at least ahead of the competition. We win some, we lose some and yet we continually up the ante. However, in the end, when it's time to put all of our cards on the table, there's no room for bluffing.

And for seniors, with only a few weeks left until we receive our diplomas, it's time to show our cards. That said, when it comes to our relationships post-graduation, will we hold 'em or fold 'em?

For many couples, it's time to make that very important, often permanent decision. No longer do we have the luxury and consistency of returning to Notre Dame at the end of summer. For us, life is changing and we often are pulled in different directions by jobs, graduate school or service work. Like in any decent game of poker, these changes raise the stakes. Not only are we putting our cards on the table, but we must make the choice to keep our hand or draw for another.

After all, we start relationships for the same reason we gamble. We're all hoping to strike the jackpot — or at least get lucky. However, although we know that the house always comes out ahead in casinos, can the same be said for dating? Can we ever really win?

Eventually we all want to rake in the chips. We want that proverbial straight flush. However, when we play cards, we never know what hand will be our best of the night and we can never be too sure what the rest of the table is holding. If we fold too early, that hand is gone forever and we don't know what cards we'll be

dealt in the next round. It's a gamble, for sure.

In many ways, the same can be said for our relationships. For some of us, we're ready to cash in our chips. We're happy with what we've got. We oblige to the proverbial Notre Dame "ring by spring" myth and are ready to get out of the game while we're ahead. These couples aren't so much playing for fun as playing for keeps. In this case, the winning hand usually contains at least one diamond, second card from the left.

For some, the game isn't quite as easy. Couples who we never thought would make it are now registering at Bed, Bath and Beyond and choosing various shades of sherbet for their bridesmaids' gowns, while some couples who seemed altar bound from the start are now going their separate ways. It just goes to show us all that we never know what's in the cards. Whether couples are breaking up in hopes of getting a different, better hand or simply tired of the game, it's time to call the game.

However, when a couple folds earlier in the game than anticipated, we're often left wondering why. Maybe time has changed us all. Maybe we've all worked too hard

these four years to sacrifice our dreams and career options. Maybe we're scared that someone will call our bluff. Or maybe we're just ready to give up this hand, save our luck and move on to the next game.

When we do fold our hands at this point in the game, the stakes are certainly higher. But if it still feels like a gamble, maybe the best thing for us is a few new cards. After all, we never know when that perfect hand will come our way. Like gambling, dating is a game of chance, luck and possibility. Sometimes it's with clubs and spades, other times it's with hearts.

Some take a chance with diamonds. Think of it as the eternal game of five card draw. We may sacrifice our best hand and lose a few rounds, or we could win big — by sheer luck or by simply playing out the hand we've been dealt. For seniors, it's time to make that decision. We may have the winning hand, or we may take a chance at a new hand. We just have to decide whether to hold our cards — or fold 'em.

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Club's alienation is hypocritical

As a fellow Asian-American, I feel obligated to respond to Edward Song's letter Monday about his feelings of alienation as an Asian-American.

When I came to this campus four years ago as a freshman, it was the Asian-American group who gave me feelings of alienation and not the "people in the Midwest." Upon my arrival at Notre Dame, I received numerous invitations from the on-campus multicultural groups and decided to attend some meetings. After participating in some events, I decided to stop going because the activities of the group were not of my interest.

However, I did not realize that discontinuing my membership to the club would affect the way my fellow Asian-

Americans viewed me. I was continually harassed by club members to attend club events because "all the other Asian's were doing it." Furthermore, club members could not understand why I wasn't "into the Asian thing." Eventually, when the club finally realized that I would not attend any more events, I was shunned for doing so.

The hypocrisy of the situation was overwhelming: A minority group which constantly whines that they are not accepted for who they are was rejecting someone for not conforming to their beliefs. This hypocrisy almost led me to leave after my freshman year. I decided to stay, however, because I found acceptance in the "people in the Midwest."

While many might believe that this is an isolated incident, it is not. Several other members of minorities have felt the same way about their respective ethnic clubs. These people, like me, are expected to join their minority clubs because they are a member of a specific ethnic group. They are further alienated when they do not do the ethnic thing.

I only hope that this hypocrisy can eventually be overcome, because if it is not, then minorities are no better than the "people in the Midwest" who do not accept Asians for who they are.

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American journalist

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Defending Thursday's pro-America rally

Defining anti-Americanism and an invitation to debate

I'm writing in response to yesterday's letter on the pro-America rally. As someone intimately involved in the planning and organization of this rally, I do not appreciate being branded as someone who is hiding my arrogance behind a flag. As vice-president of the College Republicans, I would like to defend the legitimacy of my club and our motives.

First, let's answer your question of what would be anti-American. It is not simply being in respectful disagreement of our administration. It's poking fun at our head of state, it's talking lightly of this conflict as if it is a game and it's assuming people that are pro-peace cannot be pro-troop. It is choosing to sit back and mock the actions of our country and stand by with the rest of the world, whose strategy was to do nothing other than ineffective inspections to hurry along lifting sanctions for their own economic benefit.

These malicious and cynical ideals are not in the American spirit of debate. They are political potshots by Democrats and quasi-socialists aimed at betting a risky move by the administration intended in the interests of freedom.

Why are we doing this rally? It's because it's okay to say supporting the troops is supporting America, and I don't feel arrogant when I see Iraqis being liberated from a mass-murderer.

Did you notice we chose to have the rally at Stonehenge? How quickly we forget the blood of Americans that have died under that flag fighting for this country for our right to speech. They did that for us. This is a rally to support the men and women who are the heroes of our generation dying under that flag again. They are over there in the hot sun getting shot at, and we come together to thank them for their bravery. I will not let petty jealousy of world opinion dull my pride in my countrymen.

In the future, please do not twist our words. Supporting the troops is inherently pro-American, and we only want to show our gratitude for the armed forces on Thursday. We welcome people of all sides to the rally. If you want to debate policy, then we'll debate policy. It is my desire to involve our club in debates. I am looking forward to hearing from all of you. We support the flag, but by no means hide behind it, if debate is what you want bring it on, because I am well prepared to support our stance. I want to see all of you on Thursday, regardless of views, to come together in support for our brave men and women. God, Country, Notre Dame.

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Rally will support troops and ideals behind flag

As I was entering the restroom in Dillon on Sunday evening, I too was greeted by large blue signs; however, unlike Justin Brandon, I was glad that I saw them. In fact, my own roommate put up all the signs in Dillon concerning the so-called Pro-America Rally. Not only do I know about the rally, but I also wholeheartedly support it. I should — it was my idea. It is true that beyond the original concept, I had very little to do with it. The College Republicans took care of all the practical aspects of organizing this rally. However, I would like to explain why I came up with this idea and why I disagree with the words of Justin Brandon in yesterday's letter.

First and foremost, what is inherently wrong with a rally supporting America? This is not a pro-war rally. This is a rally in support of our troops and the ideals represented by the American flag. Even Eddie Vedder qualified his recent Bush-bashing by saying that he and the other members of Pearl Jam support the U.S. troops in Iraq.

That flag represents the people of the United States of America. There is more liberty (freedom from governmental intervention in the lives of citizens) in America than in any other nation. Just as the First Amendment guarantees the rights of anti-war protesters, it allows for others to demonstrate in favor of their government and its actions. What better time than now is there to wave flags in support of American troops who are shedding their blood for the freedom of people in a foreign land?

Let us try to preserve liberty in our own land. I loathe everything I have seen in anti-war demonstrations because those demonstrations take aim at the fabric of our country.

However, I would never question their right to demonstrate or to burn the American flag. I encourage those demonstrators and supporters of their cause to extend the same courtesy to the vast majority of Americans who support the current policies of the government. God bless America.

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April 8



Unjust athletic programs hurt African-Americans

The pinnacle of the college basketball season culminated last evening with the National Championship game, bringing an exciting end to an otherwise scandal-plagued season.

Jim Harrick, coach of the University of Georgia, resigned after he and his son (an assistant coach) gave academic credit to three players who did not attend their "Basketball Strategy" class. The Bulldogs were forced to forfeit the remainder of its season and were prohibited from participating in any post-season tournaments.

Unfortunately, controversy is not exclusive to public schools. The Saint Bonaventure men's program was forced to forfeit its season after using an ineligible player. The coach, athletic director and even the university's president have come under intense scrutiny for its "lack of leadership." These are just a few examples of the disturbing trends in big-time college athletics in recent years.

Even more alarming than the numerous scandals are the graduation rates (or lack thereof) of college athletes, especially African-American athletes. According to ESPN.com, of the mem-

bers of the "Sweet Sixteen," only three — Butler, Duke and Kansas — graduated at least two-thirds of their black basketball players, while just those and two others — Marquette and Notre Dame — graduated at least two-thirds of all basketball players. Only six schools graduated at least 50 percent of all basketball players, while only seven graduated at least half of their black players.

Men's basketball, which is comprised of 57 percent blacks, has the worst graduation rates of all college sports, with 58 of the 328 Division I teams failing to graduate a single black player in six years, including perennial powerhouses like Oklahoma, Louisville, Cincinnati, Memphis and, yes, National Champion Syracuse.

"Win at any cost" seems to be the slogan of many college athletic programs today. While their schools and coaches, who are predominantly white, rake in millions of dollars off their talent, the athletes are left out to dry after their eligibility is terminated. Would it be an exaggeration to call the present state of college athletics a type of modern-day slavery? It certainly

would be politically incorrect to do so.

I will be the first to admit that the perks of a free college education are remarkable, but isn't the primary objective of a scholarship to pursue and eventually obtain a degree? Certainly a portion of the responsibility lies with the student-athletes to hold up their end of the bargain. Yet many of these programs will bend over backwards for athletes until their eligibility runs out, at which point they cast aside the athletes like pieces of expired meat.

The complete lack of outrage by national black leaders troubles me deeply. Where are Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton in the midst of this grave exploitation of black people? Both "reverends" are too busy getting their names in the newspapers and news weeklies for "pivotal roles" ensuring the humane treatment of POWs.

In addition, Mr. Sharpton is busy running for president on a New Deal-type platform, insisting that the key to economic stimulus is public works projects. If either of these men truly cared about black people, the top item on their agenda would be the exploitation

of African-American athletes.

Where does this lack of outrage originate?

The answer is simple: the "reverends" realize that any voice of outrage regarding this issue would not be politically advantageous. The limelight simply does not exist with this issue because college athletics have become so engrained within our culture that any opposition would be a major faux pas. So instead, the "reverends" are satisfied with the exploitation of young black men and women by convincing themselves that college sports demonstrate the athletic superiority of African-Americans.

Until the day comes when black leaders stand up and fight against the injustice of this 21st century form of slavery, the NCAA will continue to look the other way while it is swallowed up by the almighty dollar, and schools will look at their athletic programs as business ventures — and nothing more.

Michael Derocher
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April 8

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Twelfth

By KRISTIN CORDOVA
Scene Writer

"Twelfth Night" is a tale of twins, trickery and Time, written, of course, by William Shakespeare. This main stage production of the play by the University of Notre Dame's Department of Film, Television and Theatre opens tonight at Washington Hall.

This comedy toys with mistaken identity and makes fun of all its characters, whether they realize it or not. It begins with the shipwreck of two twins, a young lady and gentleman of noble birth. Separated in the wreck, they think each other dead. Viola, played by Cheryl Turski, cuts her hair to masquerade as the servant boy Cesario. This causes great confusion among the other characters when her brother Sebastian, played by J.J. Marler, finally shows up in town. As you can guess, the rest of the play relates the capers each experiences before happily-ever-after works out in the final act.

This performance really gets rocking when Sir Toby (T.J. McNally), Sir Andrew (Jeff Eyerman) and Maria (Erin Porvaznik) take the stage. As the drunk uncle, T.J. McNally is excellent, funny and seems like he might

Above, Malvolio (Steve Hoeplinger) meditates while Maria (Erin Porvaznik, right), Sir Toby (T.J. McNally) and Sir Andrew (Jeff Eyerman) look on. To the right, Feste (Thomas Conner), Sir Toby and Sir Andrew revel. Below, Olivia (Rose Lindgren) talks to the disguised Viola (Cheryl Turski).

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just have some experience. He and Erin, or Sir Toby and Maria, convincingly ease into their affection for one another, as the only believable romance Shakespeare gives in the comedy. Eyerman is perfect as the dumb and dumber Sir Andrew. Their scenes provoked outright laughter. Their chemistry is so good that it carries the performance through some of its slower moments.

It is obvious the actors worked extremely hard to master the language, but sometimes it lacks punch. Their timing is good and well-rehearsed, but occasionally their speeches seem to need a deeper interpretation of the character or a deeper understanding of themes in the text.

For example, at the end of Act 2 Scene 2, Viola resigns herself to fate and allows Time to work out the mess her disguise created, a

significant thematic moment in the work. It does not get the proper emphasis it deserves. Early on, Malvolio (Steve Hoeplinger) is stern, rude and harsh, even when addressing his mistress, Olivia. Although Malvolio could have more depth earlier in the play, Hoeplinger redeems this one-sided conception in a striking scene with Feste, the fool (Thomas

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which would have been nice to see more of in the performance.

Shakespeare originally set his play in Illyria. This performance changes the temporal setting to the 1890. The twins waltz about in black top hats for the majority of the play with long suit jackets topping off pinstriped trousers. Sir Toby looks like a reveling Irishman or a golfer out of "The Legend of Bagger Vance," with a plaid jacket and matching trousers that tuck into his brown side-button boots.

While all the costumes are elaborate, impressive and beautiful, they do not add anything particularly intriguing to the play or provide a deeper insight to its seemingly light-hearted plot. If the 1890s does have some significance for the content of the play, this is not evident. The selection of this time period seems arbitrary to its message. Donnelly, who designed the costumes and set, is to be complimented for his detailed and beautiful work, but its relevance remains in question.

The scenery changes were also too many and too frequent. "Twelfth Night" has many scene changes in the beginning, but changing props after each scene was excessive and slowed down the action of the plot, which is important, especially in a comedy. It dragged down the quick comedic flow that Shakespeare intended.

The play works to illustrate confused identities and relationships that arise because no one really slows down long enough to set things right. This performance could learn from the play.

Overall, the performance is definitely worth seeing. All the actors should be congratulated, along with first-time Notre Dame director, visiting assistant professor Ann Marie Stewart. It is evident from the performance that many hours of labor went into this performance. The words of the Fool in the first scene of Act 5 aptly describe the performers when they say, "A great while ago the world begun, / Hey, ho, the wind and the rain; / But that's all one, our play is done, / And we'll strive to please you every day."

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Above, Sir Toby, Sir Andrew and Maria, lady-in-waiting to Olivia, discuss what they have learned. To the right, Orsino (Mike Federico) discusses his situation with disguised Viola disguised as Cesario. Below, Orsino ponders his love for Olivia.

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Conner). He stands broken, wrapped in tatters, and the lone butt of a

cruel joke while the well-played fool banters with him. As Feste leaves, Malvolio repeats the word "madman" from Feste's song — a creepy, quavering murmur shocking the silent end of the scene. It starts to delve into the depths of Malvolio,

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NBA

Iverson scores 37 points in 76ers win

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

Allen Iverson's knee is doing just fine.

Iverson, playing despite left knee bursitis, had 37 points and eight assists, leading the Philadelphia 76ers to a 91-74 victory over the Detroit Pistons on Tuesday night.

"It's not getting any better, but it's not getting any worse," Iverson said. "I'm feeling the same. It keeps getting bigger. They talked about draining it today, but I didn't let it happen."

Kenny Thomas added 16 points and 15 rebounds for Philadelphia, which snapped a two-game losing skid and moved within two games of Atlantic Division-leading New Jersey, the No. 1 seed in the Eastern Conference.

Clifford Robinson had 16 points and Richard Hamilton added 14 for Detroit, which lost its fourth straight game.

The Central Division-leading Pistons entered the night 11/2 games ahead of Indiana. They trail the Nets by one game.

"They did a great job penetrating the defense," Robinson said. "We couldn't keep Iverson in front of us and that hurt."

Philadelphia broke open a one-point game with a 9-0 run in the second quarter. Iverson had two driving layups during the spurt and capped it with a crisp bounce pass to Aaron McKie for an easy layup that gave the Sixers a 41-31 lead.

A 3-pointer by Eric Snow right before the buzzer made it 54-43 at halftime, and the Sixers led by double digits the entire second half.

"We got a chance to get home-court advantage. This was a big step," Sixers coach Larry Brown said.

It was the Detroit's first game without All-Star forward Ben Wallace, who sprained his left medial collateral ligament on Sunday.

The Sixers again were without Keith Van Horn, who sat out his second straight with a strained left foot.

"We just weren't able to keep them out of the paint," Pistons coach Rick Carlisle said. "I'd like to say it was because Ben wasn't in there, but we can't use that as

an excuse. If you give up 52 points in the paint, you're not going to win. It's as simple as that."

Iverson, who hasn't missed a game this season, was a game-time decision. He said after Sunday's loss to Sacramento that he might have to sit out down the stretch. However, Iverson was still on the court with the Sixers leading by 20 and less than five minutes left.

"I was just playing basketball," Iverson said. "I had the same energy. It didn't feel any different. I was just able to make things happen."

Iverson was 13-for-23 from the field and 11-for-13 from the foul line. He shot just six free throws combined in his last two games because his injury didn't allow him to drive to the basket much and draw fouls.

The Sixers put the game away with an 8-0 run early in the fourth. Iverson started it with a driving layup and 16-footer. Derrick Coleman hit a 14-footer and Thomas nailed another jumper to make it 83-60.

Wizards 100, Cavaliers 91

Michael Jordan bid the Cleveland Cavaliers a final, fitting farewell on Tuesday night.

Jordan, who tormented the Cavs perhaps more than any other team during his career, scored 26 points as the Washington Wizards kept their playoff hopes alive with a 100-91 win.

Jerry Stackhouse added 18 points as the Wizards moved within 11/2 games of idle Milwaukee for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas had 23 points and Ricky Davis had 18 points, 11 assists and nine rebounds for the Cavs, who dropped to an NBA-worst 15-62.

The Wizards (36-41) have five regular-season games remaining in what Jordan has promised will be his final season, and the NBA great doesn't want it to end without another playoff appearance.

One more loss, and Washington's postseason chances could be over.

Jordan wasn't about to let the Cavs have the satisfaction of being the team to end

Washington's hopes.

And as any Cleveland fan can attest, Jordan never gave the Cavs anything other than heartache.

In 1989, Jordan hit a game-winning jumper over Craig Ehlo in the final seconds of Game 7 of the Eastern Conference finals. A year later, Jordan scored a career-high 69 points against the Cavs, and just last season, he beat them with a buzzer-beater.

"I have some great memories here, and I'd like to leave here on a good note — with a win," Jordan said following the morning shootaround. "Obviously, no one likes to be beaten by one person so many times. Unfortunately, Cleveland has been that."

Jordan's last game in Cleveland brought out a sellout crowd of 20,562.

Jordan got a loud, standing ovation during pregame introductions and Gund Arena was illuminated by camera flashbulbs as he drained his first shot, a 20-foot fadeaway jumper.

Jordan didn't disappoint with an array of spins, head fakes and jumpers. He ended the third quarter with a long 3-pointer to give the Wizards a 76-71 lead.

He opened the fourth with another jumper for his 24th point, and when the Wizards built an 11-point advantage, Jordan spent the rest of the game directing his young teammates.

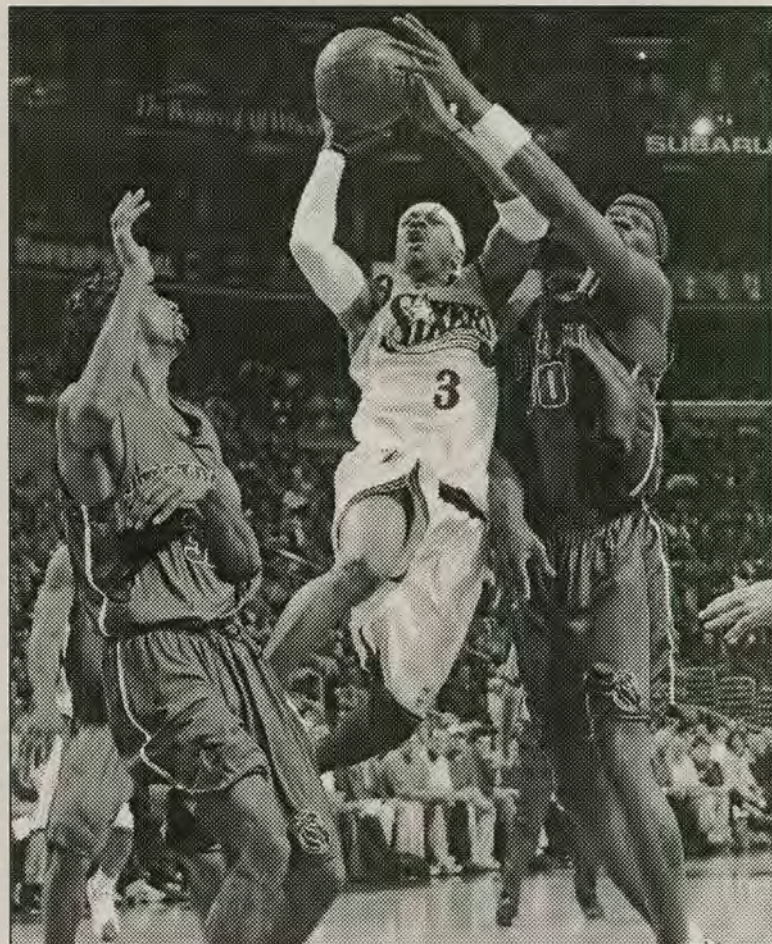
With 7 seconds left, Washington coach Doug Collins, Chicago's coach in 1989 when Jordan made "The Shot" over Ehlo, called a 20-second timeout to get Jordan out of the game.

As he walked to the sideline the Cleveland crowd stood and showed their respect for Jordan, who waved back in appreciation.

Knicks 99, Hawks 95

Allan Houston scored 29 points as the New York Knicks kept their slim playoff hopes alive with a 99-95 win over the Atlanta Hawks on Tuesday night.

The Knicks led by as many as 16 points, but had to hold off Atlanta's late charge to stay in the playoff hunt. New York must win its next four games and Milwaukee must lose its final five for the Knicks to qualify. Milwaukee hosts the Los Angeles



GETTY PHOTOS

Allen Iverson of the Philadelphia 76ers drives to the lane through two Detroit defenders in Philadelphia's 91-74 victory.

Clippers Wednesday.

Theo Ratliff grabbed 16 rebounds and blocked three shots and Jason Terry scored 27 points for the Hawks, including a pair of free throws with 1:58 left that cut the Knicks lead to 91-88.

With Terry guarding him, though, Houston dribbled twice and swished a jumper, and Latrell Sprewell hit two 3-pointers in the final 1:06 to lift the Knicks.

Down 14 to start the fourth quarter, the Hawks were down 96-92 with 33.6 seconds left.

Atlanta, which had won two straight, committed 18 turnovers, though, and missed several opportunities to overtake a lackadaisical New York team in the fourth, including a pair of missed open layups by Dion Glover.

Heat 89, Raptors 83

Brian Grant scored 16 points and added 10 rebounds, and the Miami Heat held the Toronto Raptors scoreless for the final

2:54 in an 89-83 victory Tuesday night.

The game was tied at 83 with just under three minutes left, but neither team scored again until Anthony Carter's driving layup gave the Heat a two-point lead with 33 seconds left.

Alvin Williams missed an open jumper that would have tied the game, and Caron Butler knocked down two free throws with 21 seconds left to give Miami an 87-83 lead.

Butler scored 12 points, and Rasual Butler added 11 for the Heat, who won for only the second time in their last 10 games.

The Raptors dropped their third straight game.

Alvin Williams scored 16 points for Toronto, Chris Jefferies had 15, and Jelani McCoy and Jerome Williams each added 13.

Miami put together a strong third quarter, rallying from a 52-45 halftime deficit for a 72-70 lead.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

White Sox spoil home opener for Indians

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Jose Valentin took one look at Bartolo Colon wearing short sleeves and shook his head. The rest of his body already was shaking.

"He's nuts," Valentin said. "I was freezing. I put on everything I could find to stay warm, and believe me, I was not warm."

Valentin heated up with a tiebreaking RBI single in Chicago's two-run 10th inning as the White Sox won the Cleveland Indians' chilly home opener 5-3 Tuesday.

The 10th home opener in Jacobs Field history was rescheduled from Monday because of rain and cold weather, and Tuesday's conditions were better suited for a Bears-Browns matchup than baseball.

Fog shrouded the ballpark and the chill made it feel like it was 22 degrees when Indians starter Ricardo Rodriguez threw out the first pitch. Only about 10,000 fans braved the frigid elements until the final out.

"It wasn't Kissimmee, Florida," Indians catcher Josh Bard said. "But the White Sox had to deal with it, too."

Billy Koch (1-0) pitched two innings as the White Sox won their fourth straight.

With the score tied 3-3, Sandy Alomar Jr. singled — his

third hit — to open the 10th off Chad Paronto (0-1) and was replaced by pinch-runner Miguel Olivo.

D'Angelo Jimenez walked on four pitches and Valentin failed to get down a sacrifice bunt, before hitting his RBI single.

"I got lucky we cashed in," Valentin said. "We can't afford to make mistakes. If I hit into a double play, not too many people in this room are going to be happy with me."

Thomas then lifted a fly ball, scoring Jimenez to make it 5-3.

Cubs 6, Expos 1

Dusty Baker felt the cold wind on his face and saw the snow on the winter-brown ivy at Wrigley Field.

His Chicago debut as manager of the Cubs didn't seem like a home opener, not on a 32-degree day with thousands of empty seats at one of baseball's most popular parks.

What warmed Baker up Tuesday was the way his new team responded to the elements and overcame them in a 6-1 win over the Montreal Expos.

"It was very cold, the coldest I've ever been on a baseball field, but you've got to eliminate those thoughts," said Baker, who came to the Cubs after taking the San Francisco Giants to the World Series six months ago.

"You got to try to put those elements out of your mind,

especially when people come and see you. Imagine how cold they are.

"They probably have the advantage of having a flask or two. I saw a lot of people [reach] into their coats and I was like, 'They're not going for popcorn.'"

The Cubs dealt with the conditions better than the Expos.

Matt Clement, whose back tightened up in his first start last week, allowed three hits in 7 1/3 innings. Moises Alou drove in three runs, Alex Gonzalez had three hits to continue his early-season tear and the Cubs turned three double plays.

The game, played in a biting 14 mph wind that was blowing in, was a makeup of Monday's snowout.

"I felt like singing 'Jingle Bells.' It felt like it was Christmas," Baker said before the game. "That's the truth, it's what I did. I started signing to my son. Kids love it. They don't have to play in it like we do."

The announced attendance was 29,138, and some in the crowd booed the Canadian national anthem when it was sung before the game.

Yankees 7, Twins 3

The crowd roared as Hideki Matsui rounded the bases after hitting his first major league home run. Just one game into his Yankee Stadium career, he made team history.

Matsui became the first Yankee to hit a grand slam in his first game at baseball's most storied stadium, leading New York to a 7-3 victory over the Minnesota Twins on Tuesday.

"I never dreamed of it," Matsui said. "Certainly I feel a little relief."

Andy Pettitte improved to 3-0 in home openers and Robin Ventura homered as the Yankees won on a chilly 35-degree day. The opener was snowed out Monday but the grounds crew worked all night to get the field in shape.

Matsui made it worthwhile, with a dazzling play in the field and his home run.

"That was a very special moment," teammate Bernie Williams said. "I'm sure a lot of people in Japan were jumping up and down. They had to enjoy it."

After Williams was intentionally walked to load the bases with one out in the fifth, Matsui worked the count full against Joe Mays (1-1) as fans chanted "Mat-su-i! Mat-su-i!"

Matsui then hit a drive into the right-field bleachers, drawing a thunderous ovation from the crowd of 33,109, which included his parents and brother.

After Jason Giambi took weeks to win over the Yankee Stadium crowd last season, Matsui did it in one game.

"Right now, I can't really sense that," Matsui said through an interpreter. "Maybe later in the season I can look back and say that was the moment, when I hit the home run, that I was a Yankee."

Phillies 4, Braves 3

Tomas Perez's two-out RBI single in the 10th inning gave the Philadelphia Phillies a 4-3 victory over the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday night.

Pat Burrell opened the 10th with a single off reliever Kevin Gryboski (0-1) and moved to second on a sacrifice by pitcher Brett Myers, who was pinch-hitting.

After Mike Lieberthal was intentionally walked, Marlon Byrd hit into a fielder's choice, sending Burrell to third. Perez then singled up the middle past diving shortstop Rafael Furcal.

Jose Mesa (1-0) pitched 1 1/3 hitless innings for the win.

Atlanta's Gary Sheffield and manager Bobby Cox were ejected by plate umpire Kerwin Danley after Sheffield was called out on strikes in the fifth inning.

Phillies manager Larry Bowe was also absent, serving a one-game suspension for inciting the benches to clear during a spring training game against Toronto.

The gametime temperature of 37 degrees helped lead to 16 walks, including four to Lieberthal, two wild pitches and a passed ball.

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

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

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

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



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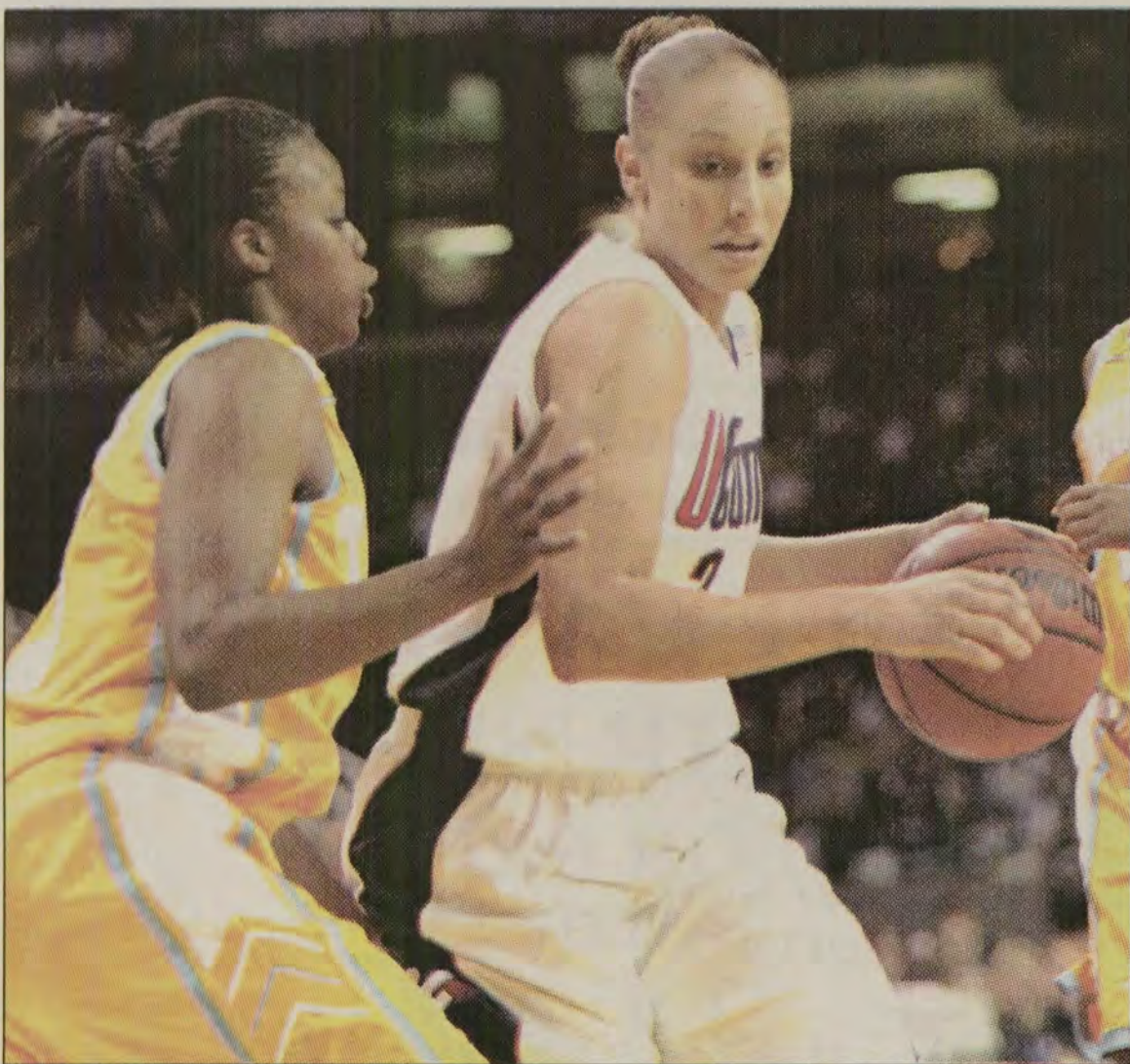
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NCAA WOMENS BASKETBALL

Taurasi, Huskies capture 2nd straight title



Connecticut forward Diana Taurasi drives against Tennessee's Ashley Robinson in the first half of the NCAA Championship game Tuesday. The Huskies won 73-68.

Associated Press

ATLANTA

Diana Taurasi tormented Tennessee again, and Connecticut proved it could rebuild — and still repeat.

Leading a young team that had four new starters, Taurasi ignored the sore back and bum ankle that have bothered her for several weeks and carried Connecticut to a 73-68 victory over Tennessee on Tuesday night for its second straight national championship.

Taurasi, who averaged 22 points in her first five games against Tennessee, scored 28 in this one with a variety of the flashy moves that made her the national player of the year.

The Huskies (37-1) won this third title game between the nation's two premier programs, and it was mostly because of Taurasi, who became the leader on a team that lost four starters.

She made 8-of-15 shots, including four 3-pointers. She scored on a floater in the lane, a backdoor cut and even threw in a shot left-handed.

Still, Tennessee (33-5) closed with a rush after trailing by 13. When Brittany Jackson pump faked and then made a 3-point shot as she fell forward, the lead was down to 70-66 with 1:01 left.

Gwen Jackson's layup drew Tennessee to 71-68 with 21 seconds remaining. But Ann

Strother, one of two freshmen who start for Connecticut, sank two free throws, and freshman Ashley Battle intercepted Tennessee's inbounds pass.

The Huskies moved the ball so quickly that Tennessee could not foul, and fittingly, Taurasi ended up with the ball. She flung it into the stands at the buzzer and Connecticut began yet another victory celebration.

If any more evidence was needed that Connecticut has supplanted Tennessee as the nation's top program in women's hoops, this was it.

The title was the fourth overall for the Huskies, who also beat Tennessee in the 1995 and 2000 championship games and now have beaten the Lady Vols four straight times.

Connecticut denied Tennessee and coach Pat Summitt a seventh title and delivered further insult to a program UConn head coach Geno Auriemma had dubbed the "Evil Empire."

Taurasi and Co. made sure it did not strike back.

Strother finished with 17 points, and the other freshman starter, Barbara Turner, came up with 10 points on five tough baskets inside.

Maria Conlon, the spunky 5-foot-9 guard who looks so out of place among the other sleek athletes on the floor, contributed 11 points, six assists and four rebounds for the Huskies.

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MENS TENNIS

Hopes abound for a rebound after two straight losses

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

Returning to their home courts after two tough road losses, the Irish are hoping to start up a winning trend as the season nears a close. When No. 61 Ball State travels to Notre Dame today, the Cardinals will be anxious for an upset, and the Irish will be ready for a win.

After Notre Dame suffered a rough 6-1 loss to Miami March 30, the Irish were keenly set on rebounding against Southern Methodist in Dallas last Sunday. Unfortunately for Notre Dame, the Mustangs survived a very close match to edge the Irish 4-3.

"I can't lie," junior tricapitain Matt Scott said. "It was a heart breaker."

The Irish had some promising moments in Sunday's match, including junior tricapitain Luis Haddock's upset of No. 55 Johan Brunstrom and Brent D'Amico's straight-set victory over No. 52 Gwinyai Chingoka.

Scott, who was disappointed

with his own play in his loss to Lukasz Senzyszyn, praised some of his teammates for their strong performances that kept the Irish in contention throughout the match.

"The guys, they fought their heart[s] out," Scott said.

The close match with the Mustangs was the latest in a trend of tight competitions for the Irish this season.

"I think we probably have more 4-3's than most teams in the country," Scott said. "Coach says we've been in the fire, and we can draw on those experiences. Every time you're in those 4-3 matches you just get tougher. We just hope we can use it to our advantage in the end of the year."

Having passed through the fire posed by many of the nation's top teams, the Irish are looking for a win against Ball State to boost their confidence as they embark upon the last part of the season and prepare for the Big East Championship. Next Sunday, Notre Dame will travel to No. 13 Kentucky.

"[The SMU loss] really hurt," Scott said. "I think that feeling

has been in our stomach for the last three days. We're really looking to kind of bounce back from that. Ball State is going to be our rebound win."

Like the Irish, Ball State has had a formidable schedule. All six of the Cardinals' losses came to ranked teams — No. 1 Illinois, No. 28 Indiana, No. 47 Northwestern, No. 51 Louisville, No. 67 Indiana State and No. 68 Michigan.

Ball State returns 10 lettermen from the 2002 squad that lost to Notre Dame 4-3 in the last regular season match for the Irish.

"I'm sure it would make a career moment for a lot of them to beat Notre Dame," Scott said. "They'll fight hard. They're a scrappy team. They have some good players in the lineup."

A win against Ball State would be important for the

Irish, but in order to significantly progress in the rankings, a win against Kentucky on Sunday is critical for Notre Dame in terms of qualifying for the NCAA Tournament.

"We're going to close out the season hopefully with three wins," Scott said.

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FOOTBALL

Irish and Willingham hire personnel coach

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame football coach Tyrone Willingham announced Tuesday the hiring of Jimmy Gonzales as the Director of Personnel Development for the Irish football program. Gonzales, who will work with recruiting and player development among other things, will begin his duties immediately in South Bend.

Gonzales comes to Notre Dame after serving as the director of football operations and recruiting coordinator at Army since 1999. In that role, Gonzales handled the administrative operations of the football program, aided in recruiting weekends and team travel and assisted in community service projects and community events.

A lifelong football administrator and coach during his career, Gonzales was the assistant athletic director for football operations under head coach John Mackovic at the University of Texas from 1996-98 before leaving for Army.

While at Texas, the Longhorns finished first in the Big 12 South, defeated Nebraska in the Big 12 Championship game and advanced to the Fiesta Bowl during the 1996 season. Gonzales also served as the administrative assistant for recruiting at Oklahoma (1992-93) during his career.

Prior to assuming administrative duties at Texas, Gonzales served as a coach for close to 15 years. He was the defensive backfield and ends coach at Duke from 1994-95, and coached defensive backs at Northwestern (1990-92). He served in a similar capacity at

Wisconsin where he was the defensive backs coach and co-director of summer camps from 1986-89. He also was the defensive line coach and recruiting coordinator at Tulsa from 1985-86, the defensive coordinator at Texas Lutheran in 1985 and was a graduate assistant at both TCU (1983-84) and Southwest Texas State (1982). At Southwest Texas, that team posted a perfect 14-0 record and captured the NCAA Division II national championship.

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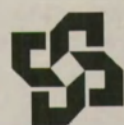
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BASEBALL

Weather forces Irish to reschedule games

By BRYAN KRONK
Senior Sports Writer

The quest for Notre Dame's 12th consecutive win will have to wait a day.

Miserable weather conditions in South Bend postponed Tuesday's match between the Irish (20-6) and Bowling Green (8-11) at Eck Stadium, marking the third weather-related disruption in Notre Dame's last five games.

Hope your schedule was filled out in pencil.

Tuesday's game will now be played Thursday as the second half of a doubleheader at the Eck, following Notre Dame's originally-scheduled Thursday match against Chicago State (2-19), which has been pushed up from 5:05 p.m. to 4:05 p.m., allowing the second match to begin at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Both matches on Thursday will be 7-inning affairs.

In addition to the postponement of Tuesday's game, the Irish added two home games as a result of the cancellation of Friday's doubleheader against

Boston College.

The first make-up will involve the Irish taking on Central Michigan (currently 8-14) on Monday, while the Irish added IPFW (11-13-1) as an opponent April 24.

Both make-up matches will be played at Eck Stadium at 5:05 p.m.

The starting rotation has shifted slightly as well, as sophomore John Axford will start today against Western Michigan, and Martin Vergara and Tom Thornton will throw Thursday against Chicago State and Bowling Green, respectively.

Notes:

Due to an east coast snow-storm Monday night, Notre Dame was hardly alone in postponing their match Tuesday. At least six Big East teams had their Tuesday matches either cancelled or postponed, as Connecticut, Villanova, Virginia Tech, Rutgers and Seton Hall all called off their matches due to weather as well.

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Edwards named Big East Player-of-Week

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame infielder Matt Edwards received Big East Player of the Week honors after leading the Irish baseball team to a 4-0 record in last week's action. Edwards — who has started at first and third base in recent weeks — led Notre Dame in hits and batting average (9-for-14, .643), RBIs (10) home runs (3), total bases (21) and slugging percentage (1.500). The sophomore also had seven

runs scored, two walks, a triple, double, stolen base and just one strikeout from his key No. 3 spot in the batting order. He hit 6-for-9 in the doubleheader sweep at St. John's, with five RBI and a pair of booming home runs to dead-center field.

Edwards — who missed most of the 2002 season with a broken leg — heads into this week's action with a .385 season batting average and an eight-game hitting streak, plus 32 RBI in 25 games played. He is batting .436 (17-for-39) in Notre Dame's current 11-game winning streak, with 19 RBI and an .821 slugging percentage in that stretch.

Edwards ranks eighth among Big East players in batting average (.385) and is second among conference players in RBI (32) and slugging percentage (.615). Junior second baseman Steve Sollmann also remains among the league leaders in several categories.

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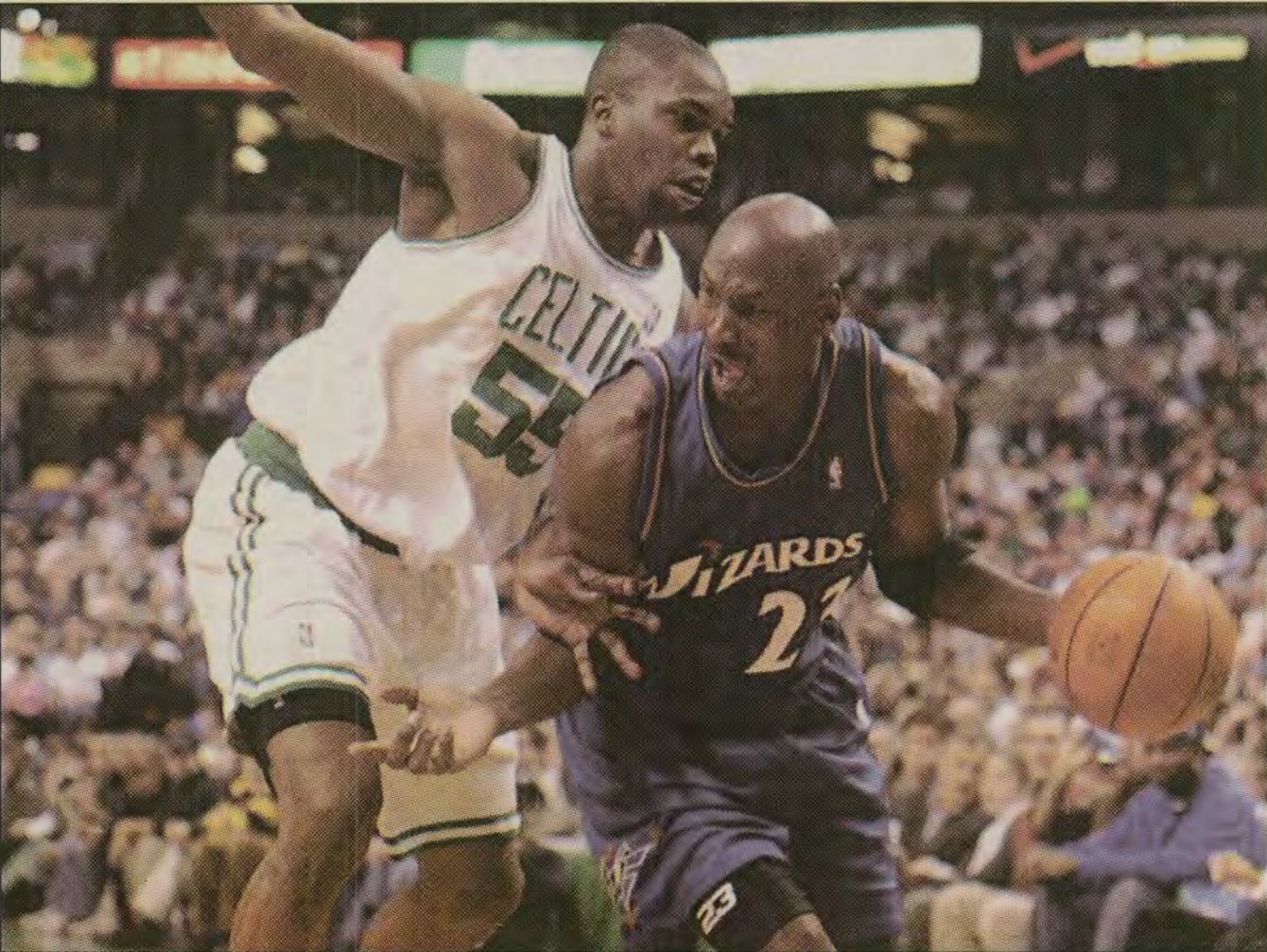


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6 UCLA		Georgia	6
7 Stanford		UCLA	7
8 Duke		Va. Commonwealth	8
9 Texas A&M		Washington	9
10 Vanderbilt		Vanderbilt	10
11 Washington		Tennessee	11
12 Minnesota		Arizona State	12
13 Kentucky		North Carolina	13
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16 Tulane		William & Mary	16
17 Louisiana State		Northwestern	17
18 Georgia		Harvard	18
19 Auburn		Miami (Fla.)	19
20 South Carolina		Georgia Tech	20
21 Texas		Alabama	21
22 Southern Cal		UNLV	22
23 Georgia Tech		Clemson	23
24 Miami (Fla.)		Illinois	24
25 Ohio State		Fresno State	25

NBA



Michael Jordan drives against Eric Williams in the Wizards' 99-98 win over the Celtics April 8. On Tuesday, Jordan said he was not interested in replacing Jerry Krause as the general manager of the Chicago Bulls.

Jordan has no plans to replace Krause

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Michael Jordan helped build the Chicago Bulls into NBA champions once before. He doesn't seem to be in any hurry to try to do it again.

Jordan said Tuesday that he has no interest now in replacing Jerry Krause, who unexpectedly resigned as Chicago's general manager because of health problems.

"Washington is where I started and where I want to finish" as an executive, Jordan said at a morning shootaround before the Wizards' game at the Cavaliers. "It's unfortunate about Jerry. Obviously, his health is the most important thing."

Jordan plans to retire at the end of this season, and has indicated he will return to the Wizards' front office.

However, he is not contractually bound to Washington, and the GM opening in Chicago has led to more speculation Jordan will return to the Bulls. His family still lives in Chicago.

Jordan, though, says his mind is squarely on the Wizards, who entered Tuesday two games behind Milwaukee for the last playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

"Personally, I haven't thought about Chicago," he said. "I know people have asked in the past, 'What if?' I told them at the time that my focus has been here and will be here."

"I haven't talked to anyone on that staff. You guys are more or less getting things rolling. My focus is right now trying to get this team in the playoffs, and secondly, making sure this franchise is moving in the right direction."

With Jordan leading the way on the floor, and Krause making the off-court moves, the Bulls won six titles in the 1990s.

But while the pair shared a desire to be the best, Jordan and Krause didn't always see eye-to-eye while they were together in Chicago from 1985-99.

Krause's personality clashed with many players, and he and Jordan ended on bad terms when the superstar retired before the lockout-shortened season of 1999.

After Jordan left, Krause dismantled the Bulls, who haven't been back to the playoffs since.

"We had good things there," Jordan said.

NHL

Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division			
team	record	pts.	last 10
New Jersey	46-20-10-6	108	5-0-4-1
Philadelphia	45-20-13-4	107	7-1-2-0
NY Islanders	35-34-11-2	83	3-5-2-0
NY Rangers	32-36-10-4	78	4-4-1-1
Pittsburgh	27-44-6-5	65	2-7-1-0

Eastern Conference, Northeast Division			
team	record	pts.	last 10
Ottawa	52-21-8-1	113	7-2-1-0
Toronto	44-28-7-3	98	5-2-2-1
Boston	36-31-11-4	87	3-4-3-0
Montreal	30-35-8-9	77	3-6-0-1
Buffalo	27-37-10-8	72	5-3-1-1

Eastern Conference, Southeast Division			
team	record	pts.	last 10
Tampa Bay	36-25-16-5	93	3-2-5-0
Washington	39-29-8-6	92	3-4-3-0
Atlanta	31-39-7-5	74	6-3-1-0
Florida	24-36-13-9	70	2-7-1-0
Carolina	22-43-11-6	61	0-8-2-0

Western Conference, Central Division			
team	record	pts.	last 10
Detroit	48-20-10-4	110	6-2-1-1
St. Louis	41-24-11-6	99	3-5-2-0
Chicago	30-33-13-6	79	3-3-3-1
Nashville	27-35-13-7	74	0-6-2-2
Columbus	29-42-8-3	69	4-5-1-0

Western Conference, Northwest Division			
team	record	pts.	last 10
Vancouver	45-23-13-1	104	5-4-1-0
Colorado	42-19-13-8	105	7-1-1-1
Minnesota	42-29-10-1	95	6-4-0-0
Edmonton	36-26-11-9	92	5-1-3-1
Calgary	29-36-13-4	75	5-3-2-0

Western Conference, Pacific Division			
team	record	pts.	last 10
Dallas	46-17-15-4	111	7-1-0-2
Anaheim	40-27-9-6	95	5-2-1-2
Los Angeles	33-37-6-6	78	3-4-1-2
Phoenix	31-35-11-5	78	2-5-2-1
San Jose	28-37-9-8	73	2-4-3-1

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IN BRIEF

Darryl Strawberry released from prison

Darryl Strawberry smiled, hugged his wife, thanked a guard and drove away from prison Tuesday, beginning what his lawyer hopes will be a drug-free life.

The eight-time All-Star was released from Gainesville Correctional Institution after serving 11 months of an 18-month prison sentence for violating probation on cocaine possession charges.

After saying "Thank you" to a guard, he and his wife got into a silver Lincoln Navigator, which was driven by another man, and drove off, getting only about a half-mile away before they had to turn back — Strawberry had forgotten his personal belongings. A guard handed him a plastic bag and he was off again.

Strawberry also accepted the \$100 check the state gives inmates upon their release, but declined a suit of clothes, prison officials said. Strawberry refused to talk to

reporters.

According to Florida Department of Corrections records, Strawberry is moving back in with his wife, Charisse, and his three children at a gated community in Lutz.

"He's doing well," lawyer Darryl Rouison said before Strawberry's release. "He's been clean for a very long time, longer than ever before."

"I just wish Darryl the best," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "I don't know what the next step is for him. I'm certainly happy he's out early and can get his life on the right path."

Canadian anthem booed at Wrigley

Some fans at Wrigley Field booed Tuesday when the Canadian national anthem was played before the Chicago Cubs' home opener against the Montreal Expos.

The smattering of boos was noticeable among the crowd of 29,138, a backlash from last month when "The

Star-Spangled Banner" was booed before an Islanders-Canadiens hockey game in Montreal — a response to the war in Iraq.

"Two stupid reactions don't make it right, I think," Expos manager Frank Robinson said.

"Whatever happened in Canada was uncalled for, but that doesn't mean that people in the States have to turn to idiotic acts by booing the Canadian national anthem," he said. "I think both anthems should be respected by whomever."

Expos first baseman Jeff Liefer, who played last season with the Chicago White Sox, said he would rather fans not boo during the anthems.

"This is a free country, they can do whatever they want," he said. "I wouldn't do it out of respect for Canada. I know they did it to our anthem. That's what's great about this country. It's free and you can do whatever you want. That's what they did."

Hickory

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down to the wire in an hour and a half monster game.

"It was an up and down battle," unofficial "coach" Brady Peoples said. He also added that he was very proud of his Hoosiers.

Our "Indexes" Exceed Matrix Dimensions 23, Tortugas Con Queso 21

Hickory High and Pumpkin in a Patch were not the only teams that battled it out down to the wire. Our "Indexes" Exceed Matrix Dimensions and Tortugas Con Queso also fought to the end. The Cavanaugh women that formed Tortugas Con Queso were out on the court early

running drills to prepare, and when the engineers of Our "Indexes"... showed up, the battle began.

Although Our "Indexes"... led 11-8 at halftime, the ladies of Cavanaugh came back and were leading 19-18. The two teams, who had drawn quite a crowd of onlookers in their final struggle, swapped points back and forth until, finally, the engineers of Our "Indexes"... had enough and computed a 23-21 victory.

However, neither team play-

ing that game had to fear for their campus housing next year.

Beat Us — Go to ResLife 21, Case Race 16

When Case Race took on Beat Us — Go to ResLife, the three assistant rectors on Beat Us ... m a d e sure to let people know that the threat was serious.

"It's pretty serious. I'm not going to lie to you. Fear of Bill Kirk should help us win some games down the stretch."

Jason Linster
Dillon Hall AR

"It's pretty serious," Dillon Hall AR Jason Linster said. "I'm not going to lie to you."

Lucky for Case Race, their team just wasn't a good match-up, and Beat Us ... took them 21-16, despite a good second half attempt.

As for future games, Beat Us ... plans to continue using fear as a win tactic.

"Fear of Bill Kirk should help us win some games down the stretch," Linster said.

Five Jamonies 21, Team 530 9

While Linster and his team were worrying about their residents, another team was looking at another kind of living arrangement. Five Jamonies, whose unofficial name is Four Bachelors and Prill (who will be getting married soon), had to stay focused on the court instead of wedding plans as they took on their opponents.

Luckily, the four Bachelors and Prill, who claimed to emu-

late Syracuse's match-up zone defense, kept their heads away from cakes and bridesmaid dresses for the 21-9 victory.

Pack of Brutal Knaves, Featuring the Olsen Twins 21, Little Bunny Fei-Fei 8

In other bookstore news, after much debate over what their team name actually was, Pack of Brutal Knaves featuring Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen decided that they did know their team name, which was good for them, as they will have at least one more game to play. Despite its long duration, the 21-8 victory against Little Bunny Fei-Fei will advance them into the next round.

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Olsen

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said he's worked hard to improve during the off-season, and he is better prepared than a year ago.

"In the off-season, I worked out, learned the offense and just became better acquainted with everything — the reads, the other teams' defenses and things like that," Olsen said.

"I think my progress has been a lot better than it was last year, even at the end of the season. Right now, I think I'm a few steps above where I was."

Olsen's goal for spring practice, summer workouts and next season is to place himself in the top two at the quarter-

back position. Diedrick pointed to backup Pat Dillingham's performance last season when starting quarterback Carlyle Holiday went down as an example of how important

"In the off-season, I worked out, learned the offense and just became better acquainted with everything."

Chris Olsen
quarterback

Olsen's role would be as the number two guy.

"When we come out of spring ball, he has to position himself at number two or very, very close to number two and expect him to play in a

backup role," Diedrick said. "And when you say play in a backup role, you're just one play away. You may be one play away, but you have to be prepared to play as starter."

With Holiday returning, Olsen understands that he likely will not start, but that hasn't kept him from doing all he can to make himself and as his teammates better.

"My goal is just to get into the top two and work a lot harder and just push everybody," Olsen said. "There's three of us getting the same amount of reps, and we're all pushing each other, and it's all making each of us that much better."

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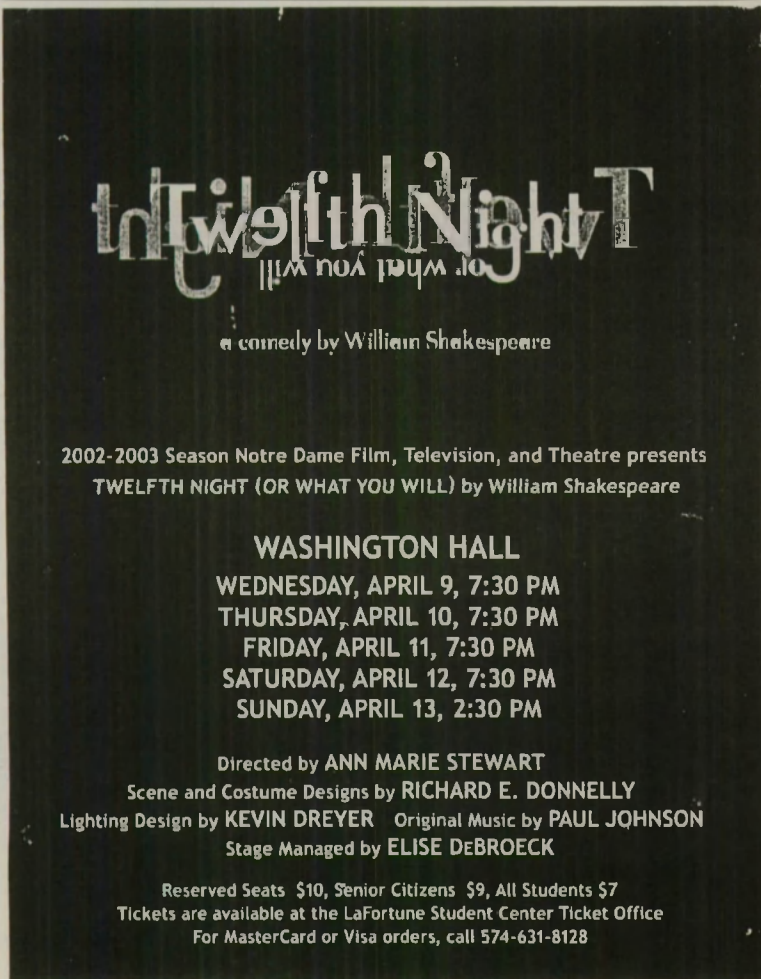
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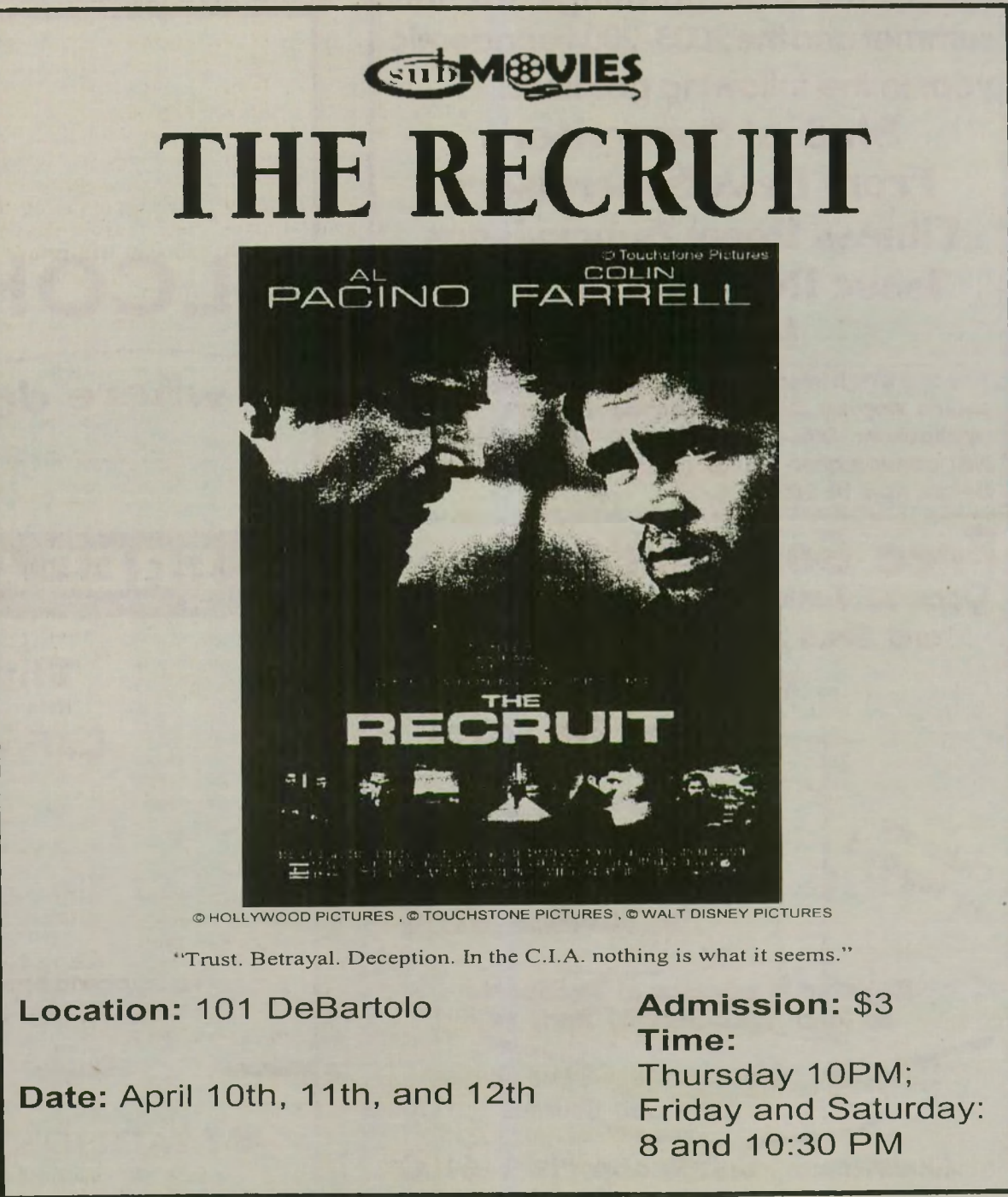
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ND SOFTBALL

Irish to face Pitt in doubleheader

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

Through no fault of its own, defending Big East champion Notre Dame finds itself dead last in the latest conference standings.

Of course, that's because the Irish have yet to play a Big East game.

Either rain or snow has forced the postponement of Notre Dame's first six Big East matchups this season, which leaves the Irish tied for last in the league with a 0-0 conference record.

"It's been pretty tough," Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said. "The great thing about it is that the girls have been handling it pretty well and have been taking it in stride. I couldn't ask them to do anything else."

These early season rainouts could come back to haunt the Irish. This year, the Big East adopted a new scoring system that gives two points for a win, one point for a tie and zero points for a loss.

Winning percentage no longer has any bearing on the final standings, and only the top four teams by points get invited to the Big East Championship. Current conference leaders Seton Hall and St. John's sit in first with ten points already, each with five wins.

Fair or not, the Irish will have a pressure-filled month this April as they try to play enough games to get back into the thick of things in the Big East. Notre

Dame has 26 games remaining this month, or 13 scheduled doubleheaders.

"We don't think it really matters when we play," Gumpf said. "Our goal is to win the Big East Championship."

Wednesday, the Irish hope to finally get a chance to face off against a conference foe when they travel to Pittsburgh to play a doubleheader against the Panthers (17-18, 3-3 Big East).

The Irish (14-11, 0-0) come into the series on an offensive tear. Last week's doubleheader sweeps at Purdue and at home against Loyola-Chicago helped the Irish to increase their team batting average to .279, which leads the Big East.

Notre Dame outscored their opponents 24-5 in the four games. Individually, senior Andrea Loman currently sits at sixth in the league in both hitting (.370) and slugging percentage (.603).

"We just played really well together as a team," Gumpf said. "You talk about the three things — hitting, pitching, and defense. We weren't consistent with all three things early on, but we've been putting it together lately and really showing what this team is capable of doing."

The Panthers have been a bit of a Jekyll-and-Hyde team this season. They come into the series on a slight slump, having lost five of their last six after an 11-game winning streak earlier in the season.

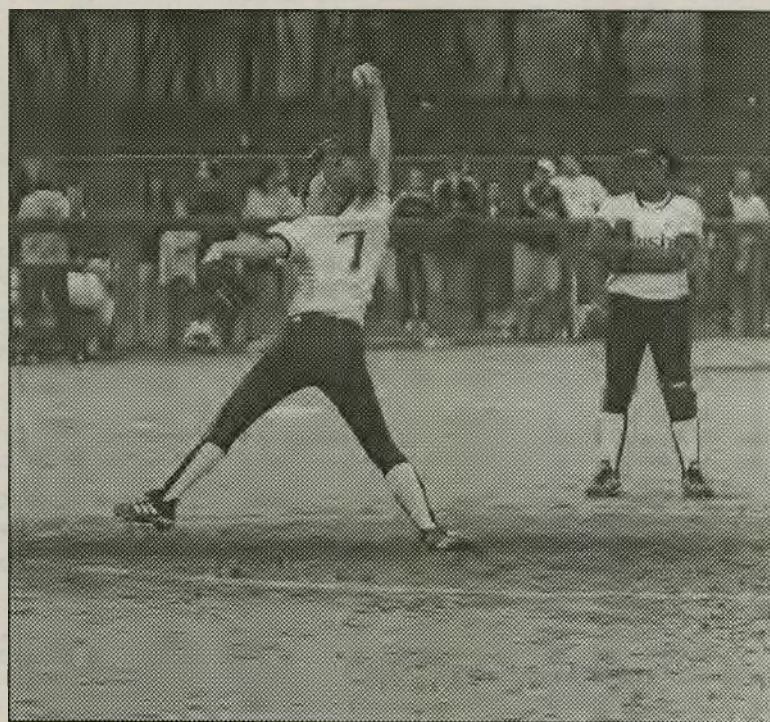
In their last Big East doubleheader, the Panthers defeated

Big East co-leader Seton Hall in the first game in an exciting 4-1 final that went to 10 innings. Seton Hall came back to win the second game, by a score of 9-2.

Freshman standout Francesca DeMaria leads the Pittsburgh regular starters with a .381 batting average through 36 games. DeMaria also leads the teams in walks drawn with 20, resulting in an impressive .479 on-base percentage.

The Panthers' ace is senior Nikki Gasti, who owns a 12-9 record with a solid 2.97 ERA, while also holding opponents to a .239 batting average.

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Senior pitcher Jessica Sharron winds up in a game earlier this season. The Irish play their first Big East game at Pittsburgh today.

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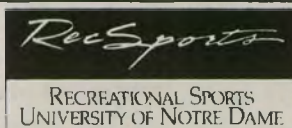
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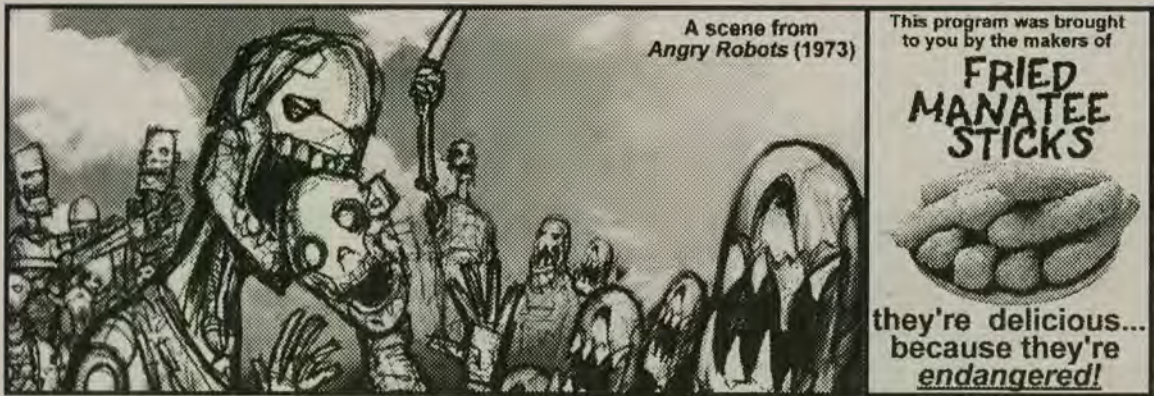
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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Answer: O O O O O IN A "O O O O O"

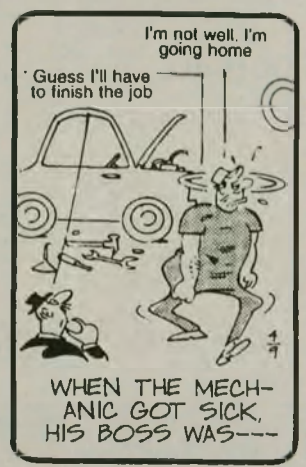
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Yesterday's Jumbles: AMITY HANDY BECAME DOUBLE

Answer: What the hairdresser did when the rack of dresses went on sale — "COMBED" THEM

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



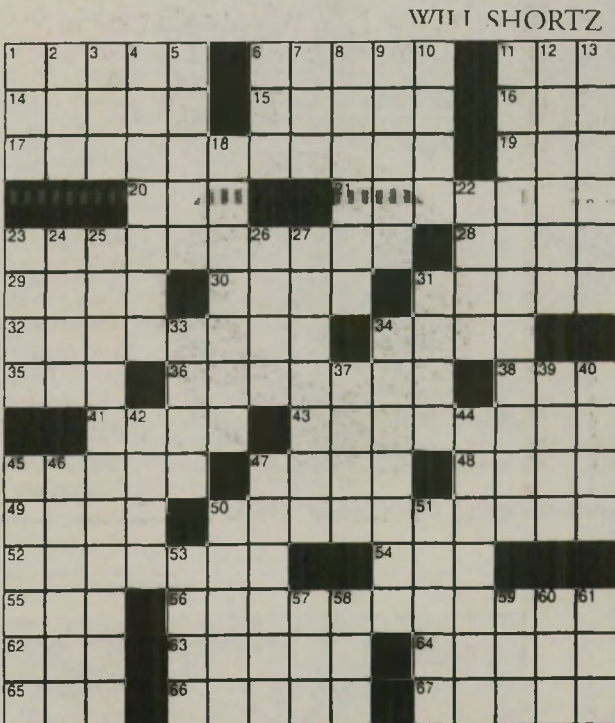
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Composer whose music is often heard at graduations
 - 6 Word on some diplomas
 - 11 TV sked abbr.
 - 14 Take for a while
 - 15 When the Boston Marathon is held
 - 16 It comes with a charge
 - 17 Nondefensive military move
 - 19 Shine, in product names
 - 20 High dudgeon
 - 21 Baby's ring
 - 23 There are six of these in the middle of 17- and 56-Across- and 11- and 25-Down
- DOWN**
- 24 1995 court V.I.P.
 - 25 Eastern way
 - 26 "Just do it," e.g.
 - 27 Lennon's lady
 - 28 Sun Valley locale
 - 29 Mirage sight
 - 30 Theologian's subj.
 - 31 Dot in the ocean
 - 32 On the dot
 - 33 Tiny toymaker
 - 34 Hula hoop?
 - 35 Long-snouted fish
 - 36 Basketball stat
 - 37 Back in?
 - 38 Place for a pin
 - 39 Financing abbr.
 - 40 Like sandpaper
 - 41 "Just do it" shoes
 - 42 Away from the wind
 - 43 Fix
 - 44 "10" music
 - 45 Eskimo garb
 - 46 Tour for Nicklaus
 - 47 "Mon Oncle" star
 - 48 1, 8 or 27
 - 49 "Step ___!"
 - 50 Some adult education
 - 51 Dog star?
 - 52 Emerging

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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COLD SHOWER ASIS
HOLE ASKED SECT
DALE GO INTO
BOW OUT BRANCH
BLAND SLOMO OPA
LIL IN POWER WEB
SNL BEATS DWEBB
FELONS PEARLY
POLLEN PURR
AHOY SIREN ZERO
TAWA IVORY TOWER
CREE GETS ONEAL
HARE NYSE MERRY



- ACROSS**
- 1 Capital of old Moldavia
 - 2 Connors contemporary
 - 3 Early 12th-century date
 - 4 Crosby partner
 - 5 Hanukkah item
 - 6 Leader in a beret
 - 7 Reveal accidentally
 - 8 Flock leader
 - 9 On a roll
 - 10 Future J.D.'s hurdle
 - 11 Like federal tax laws
 - 12 From the heart?
 - 13 Auricular
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Hugh Hefner, Dennis Quaid, Paulina Porizkova, Keshia Knight Pulliam

Happy Birthday: Stop letting your emotions move up and down like a yo-yo and you will resolve most of your problems. It's time to speak your mind and clear the air. Take control of your life, and the situations you face. It's up to you to make the changes and this is the year to do so. Your numbers are 9, 13, 17, 26, 34, 38.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You need to be more tolerant of others if you expect to get through the issues surrounding you unscathed. Not everyone will do things the same way you do. Give others the benefit of the doubt. ★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You'll be feeling restless and in need of a change. Do something that will pique your interest or teach you something new. You'll meet new friends if you engage in something you believe in. ★★ ★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Financial opportunities are apparent and you don't want to miss out. Invest in yourself and move full-tilt ahead and you will get the satisfaction you are looking for. ★★ ★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be careful how you treat others today. Don't let your negative attitude force the ones you love out of your life. Attend a motivational seminar that will give you a positive outlook and boost your morale. ★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't let conjecture get to you. Find out what's really going on. Guessing will only lead to mistakes and regrets. Don't overreact. ★★ ★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Social events will lead to romance or at least a worthwhile friendship. Your practical approach to life will attract people who are solid and looking for the same things that you are. ★★ ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Personal dilemmas may appear to be unfixable, but if you are rational you will find a solution. Get help if you need it and take your time if you have to make an important decision. ★★ ★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can make your point known by being creative in your approach. Although not everyone will agree with what you are trying to do, the ones who count will be supportive. ★★ ★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take time out and relax today. You need time to rejuvenate and rethink your strategy. Enjoy the comfort of your home and the company of the ones you love. ★★ ★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will regret the comments you make today if you are too quick to form an opinion. Be kind and compassionate. It's your choice how things will turn out. ★★ ★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Use your imagination and don't be afraid to start your own small business. Get advice from someone who has experience and move forward with force. ★★ ★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll be charming and witty, attracting friends and lovers. Get out and socialize. Fund-raisers will be an ideal setting to make new connections. ★★ ★★

Birthday Baby: You will have the ability to put others at ease. You will listen and assess situations and people very well throughout your life. You will have common sense and will always try to follow the right path.

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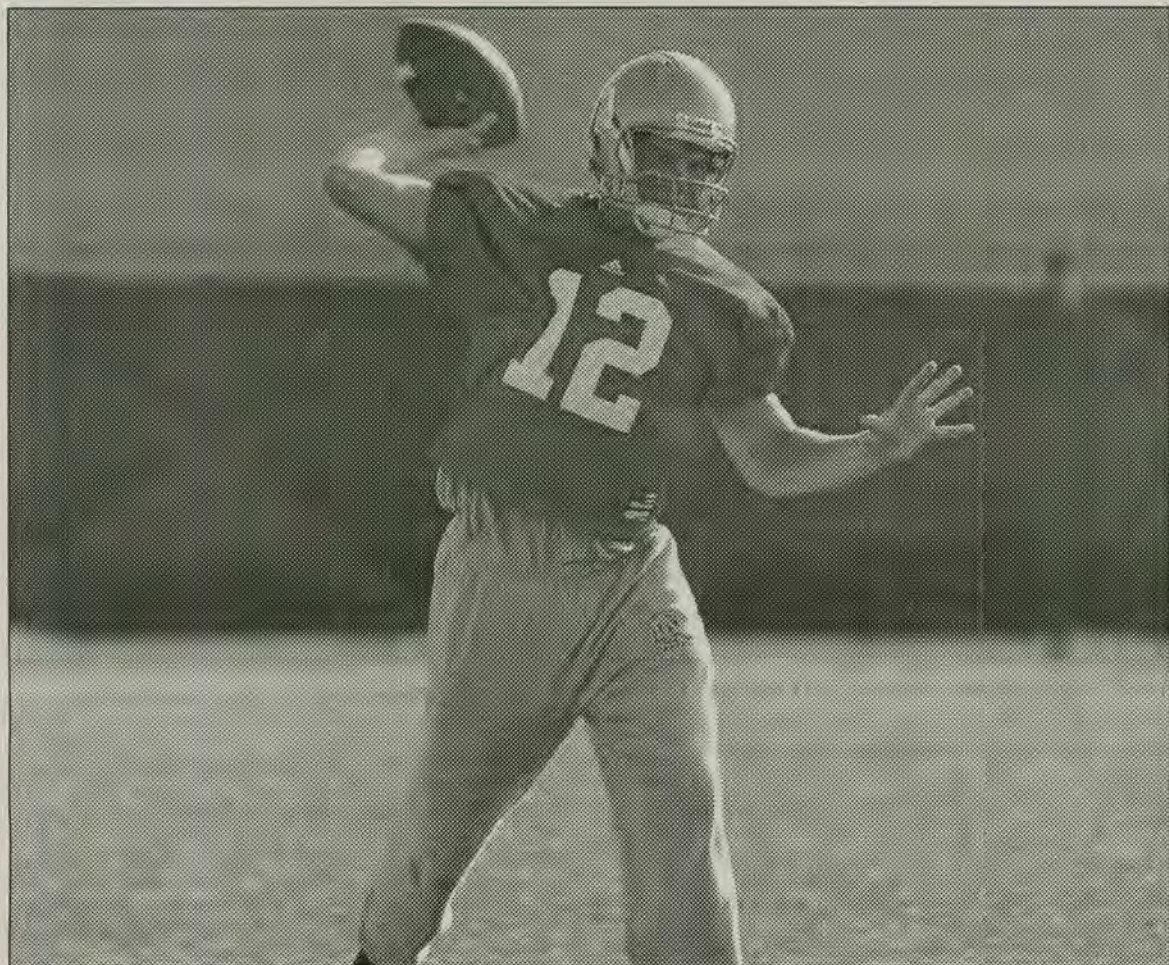
SPORTS

Wednesday, April 9, 2003

FOOTBALL

Back to work

Quarterback Chris Olsen is looking to climb up the Irish depth chart



Chris Olsen studied the playbook and observed his teammates during the season. He is now putting what he has learned into practice in the spring.

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

College football is vastly different from high school football. Quarterback Chris Olsen knows this fact first-hand.

Last season, the highly-recruited Olsen didn't get a chance to run Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham's West Coast offense with his new teammates until summer camps. By then, he had a lot of catching up to do and a lot to learn about college football.

"I think that like most kids when they come in as a true freshmen, they feel they can walk on and play right away," Irish offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick said. "Even given a playbook in the early spring and having three or four months to study it [is not enough]. Then after the [competitions] begin they realize they have a lot to learn, not only from the mental part of it and learning the intricacies of the offense, but how to handle themselves with the protection, with the checks and with everything else."

During his senior year at Wayne Hills High School in Wayne, N.J., Olsen threw for

1,864 yards and 24 touchdowns and was a first-team all-state pick by the Newark-Star Ledger. He was 31-4 as a starter and played in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl his senior year.

But despite the prep success, Olsen still needed to learn the Irish playbook better when he arrived on campus last fall. Once he became accustomed to the plays, he still needed to play in games, at game speed, to become truly familiar with the college quarterback position. Since Olsen didn't get to play last year, he still has much to learn.

"I think he's made a tremendous amount of improvement since the end of the season last year until this week," Diedrick said. "... But everything happens at such a fast pace and high speed that [young quarterbacks] almost get mesmerized by the college game ... But that's what going to school as a quarterback is all about."

Olsen has taken the football knowledge he learned watching from the sidelines his freshman year into his first spring practices this year. He

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXII

Hickory High keeps Hoosier dream alive

◆ **Nostalgic team of barnyard ballers wins a thriller in throwback jerseys**

By KATIE McVOY
Senior Staff Writer

The bookstore courts were business as usual Tuesday. Most teams stayed focused on playing basketball, but one team was focused on the rebirth of a legend.

Well after seven, well after all the other teams had left for the evening, two teams still struggled. One was struggling to fulfill a dream. In the state of Hoosiers, Hickory High was looking to bring just one more

championship home, or at least to win its first round bookstore game. But Pumpkin in a Patch was trying to deprive these Hoosiers of their dream.

With the score at 23-22 and Hickory High needing to win by two, that big play happened.

"When it got to 23-22, we decided to run the picket fence," Rob Stalter said. "And that was what sealed the win."

Hickory High was victorious 24-22. Complete in 1980's-era gold shorts and maroon Hickory jerseys — sent from home by senior Brian Meyer's mother — Hickory High played a Pumpkin in a Patch team

see HICKORY/page 21



SOPHIA BALLON/The Observer

Knott Hall sophomore Pat Callahan celebrates a basket scored by his team, Schlitz Diesel.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

ND SOFTBALL

Notre Dame at Pittsburgh

The Irish have yet to play a conference game this season. A doubleheader against the Panthers today marks the opening of Big East play.

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BASEBALL

Bowling Green at Notre Dame postponed

The team will play two games Thursday.

Awards

Infielder Matt Edwards was named Big East player-of-the-week.

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MENS TENNIS

Ball State at Notre Dame

Today, 3:30 p.m.

The Irish come home after two tough road losses to host the Cardinals.

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