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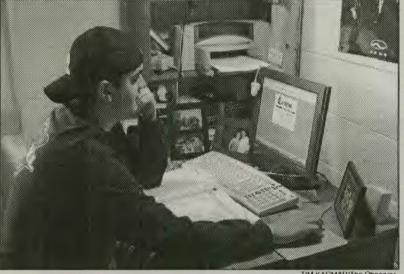
 Server crash prompts officials to change web registration times

By ANDREW SOUKUP

The server that handles most of the University's primary administrative tasks overheated and crashed Wednesday morning, causing officials in the Registrar's office to reschedule the Web registration times for hundreds of juniors, graduate students and law students.

In what one member of the registrar's office called the worst registration-related situation that had occurred in over two decades, Registrar Harold Pace announced Wednesday that registration times would be changed while the Office of Information Technologies

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A Notre Dame student accesses Irishlink in preparation for registration. A server crash set back much of the registration on Wednesday.

◆ Campus activities may be affected by the new registration schedule

By ANDREW SOUKUP News Writer

The registrar's decision to move registration times could make a variety of weekend events significantly more complicated for students taking part in everything from athletics to practice MCAT

Students who are unable to register via computer during their rescheduled registration time Friday or Saturday were encouraged to either have friends or parents register in their place or call the registrar's office during the scheduled time with the course call numbers, said

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Panel debates Iraq war

By KEVIN ALLEN News Writer

Students and faculty packed the student lounge in the Coleman-Morse Center Wednesday to discuss the war in Iraq.

Air Force ROTC Senior Andrew DeBerry and freshman Peter Quaranto, a member of the Peace Coalition, helped organize the event, titled "Student Dialogue on the War in Iraq.

"This is a complicated issue and a lot of good, moral people disagree on whether this war is just and legal," said Quaranto. Both pro-war and anti-war voices had a chance to be heard Wednesday.

Participants noted impact on their discussion of recent news coverage that showed liberated Iraqis embracing American and British troops as they marched on Baghdad.

"Today is a good day to talk about how the war has gone because today we've taken a big step forward in finishing the war," said Daniel Philpott, assistant professor of international relations, as he began an introduction to the many issues associated with the U.S. involvement in Iraq.

The discussion centered on the issues of whether the war in Iraq is a just war, whether a preventive war can ever be considered just, prospects for establishing a healthy democracy in Iraq and the responsibilities of the Notre Dame community during this Students sponsor bone marrow drive

♦ Bone marrow drive hopes to register 1,000

By JOE TROMBELLO

In an attempt to register 1,000 blood donors, Howard Hall kicks off its third annual blood drive today, which will take place from 6-9 p.m. in the LaFortune

The drive hopes to register 1,000 donors in the registry. The drive, which is also sponsored by the Minority Pre-Medical Association, will conduct the medical screening and blood work necessary to enter potential donors into the national bone marrow registry. The Shirt fund has completely subsidized the \$60 per person cost.

"It's an amazing gift of life," said Jessica Howell, a Notre Dame senior who worked on last year's bone marrow drive.

Howard Hall co-commissioner Camilla Pollock said that advertisements and letters in The Observer as well as fliers and posters have helped advertise the

"The challenge is getting the word out," she said.

Pollock said that she and other Howard Hall organizers mailed letters to all minority students in an attempt to encourage donations. The national registry is especially low on minority donors and patients in need of bone marrow usually find a match from their specific race. According to the National Marrow Donor Program, out of 15,556 unrelated marrow transplants, only 3,332 have been among minorities.

"It's really important that we get a diverse population," said senior Ann Gurucharri, Howard Hall co-commissioner. "We are really trying to recruit minori-

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Notre Dame student, Fernanda Payan registers herself at last years' Bone Marrow drive. This year The Shirt project has subsidized the \$60 registration fee, so the students can register for free.

Bone marrow drives help save lives for members of Notre Dame community

By JOE TROMBELLO

Bone marrow drives save lives. Just ask senior Ann Gurucharri, co-commissioner of the Howard Hall bone marrow drive, and her father Vince Gurucharri, a 1967 Notre Dame graduate who was diagnosed in December 2001 with Myelodysplastic Syndrome, a disease curable only with a bone marrow transplant.

"It was because of drives like Notre Dame has that I have been given a chance again at marrow drives. life," Vince Gurucharri said. Because of "Donors save lives."

The class of 2002 sponsored the first bone marrow drive two years ago in honor of classmate Connor Murphy, who was diagnosed with leukemia. Connor eventually found a match in the national registry and underwent a transplant, but died due to complications. Two other members of the Class of 2002 also died of leukemia, and numerous faculty, staff and alumni have been either directly or indirectly affected by bone

Because of Ann's personal connection with the need for marrow, she decided to organize a bone marrow drive last year in the hopes of finding a match for her father, who failed to match with his 10 sib-

Ann said that doctors gave her father a one in one-million chance of finding a donor.

The national bone marrow registry found Vince a donor after four months and completed a successful bone marrow

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INSIDE COLUMN

Take pride in the U.S.

Upon watching the images of many Iraqi people exulting in the streets of the once-oppressed and now chaotic but free Iraq, it seems hard to fathom that

the heart of even the staunchest opponent of this war would not feel the slightest surge of American pride. And this American pride — real American pride —

Joe Lindsley

Sports Production Editor

is not a mere jingoistic self-love.

On the contrary, it is a humble, yet confident pride borne of the securing of precious liberty for fellow humans. It is a nationally transcendent pride that expresses gratitude for the American blood, as well as that of the British and Iraqi civilians, that has been sacrificed so that others might be free, for there is no greater gift amongst men than to lay one's life down for another.

Even the leader of French President Jacques Chirac's party, the Union for a Popular Movement, said that the American and British forces should be honored for their great courage.

Such praise should not be bestowed superficially, and perhaps certain figures would do well to own up to their true colors. Many who opposed the war have strong principles upon which their opposition is based. Whether or not they have right opinion, many of these pacifists and others are at least sincere in their convictions.

Others are not so candid.

Much of the opposition to the

American-led Iraqi liberation effort —
and we can now truly call this liberation
— stemmed from people who are not
opposed to war itself. Instead, they are
opposed to America and the values that
she defends.

While space prevents a digression, one should consider researching the true, though often obscured, motives and ideology of the U.N., France, Germany and others

The pending fall of Baghdad signals an important event in many ways. For the Iraqi people, it is that liberty which is so sweet that will now bring peace to their land. This was encapsulated in a pithy sign displayed by an Iraqi citizen yesterday: "Mr. Bush: Man of Peace." How ironic—perhaps

ironic — perhaps.

Secondly, for the world, the American effort is evidence that wherever evil is bred, its sources had better fear this mighty yet friendly nation in whom the oppressed can place their hope.

America cannot accept all the tired and the huddled masses into its limited domain, but she can be a powerful force for protecting what is good in this world including herself.

So today, if you live within the great bounds of this country or if you take joy in seeing the happiness of the Iraqi people, take a moment, and thank with the greatest sincerity the United States and her noble defenders, from the Commander-in-chief to the fallen heroes — for standing tall against the raging tides, for protecting us and for sharing the beacon of liberty with the rightfully exuberant Iraqi people.

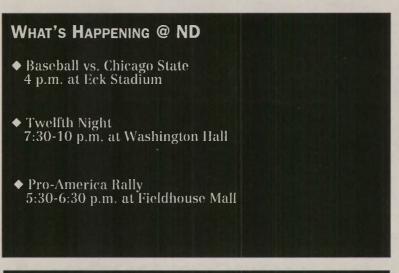
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC ◆ Spring Choral Concert 7:30 p.m. at Little Theatre ◆ Political Science Panel 8 a.m. at Stapleton Lounge ◆ Medeleva Lecture 7:30 p.m. at Carroll Auditorium

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Kontrol Kard stolen near LaFortune

A University reported the theft of her Kontrol Kard while off campus Tuesday.

Student's vehicle towed

A student's vehicle was towed for a parking violation Tuesday near Fisher O'Hara Grace Graduate Residences.

Vehicle stopped from being towed

NDSP was in the process of towing a student's vehicle near the D6 North Lot Tuesday when the owner arrived. The student was instructed to register his vehicle with parking services.

Bike stolen from Law School

A student reported the theft of her unlocked bike from the south side of the Law School Tuesday. There no suspects.

Harassing phone call received

A student reported Tuesday receiving a harassing phone call on March 29.

~complied from the NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Honey-garlic pork chops, white beans with ham, brown sauce, pork gravy, whipped potatoes, collard greens, cherry crisp, baked lemon perch, baked potatoes, vegetable rice pilaf, sauteed julienne vegetables, maypo, scrambled eggs, breakfast ham, buttermilk pancakes, company potatoes, seasoned fries

Today's Dinner: Tortellini with basil cheese sauce, cioppino sauce, bianco pizza, breadsticks, chicken strips, macaroni and cheese, brown sauce, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, cherry crisp, jerk tofu, lentil and barley stew, sweet potatoes

South Dining Hall

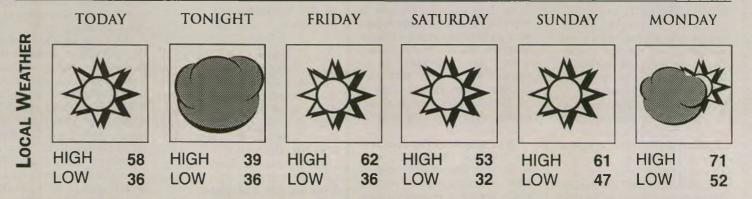
Today's Lunch: Quiche lorraine, stewed tomatoes, chicken breast cordon bleu, baked cod, honey-glazed ham, whipped potatoes, delmonico potatoes, cut corn, Italian risotto, baked potatoes, broccoli cuts, peas, cut green beans, grilled vegetable plate, fried potato skins, onion rings

Today's Dinner: Sauerbraten, zum zum potato salad, baked parmesan chicken breast, kielbasa sandwich, sauerkraut, lemon-baked pollock, whipped potatoes, long grain and wild rice pilaf, cut corn, corn cobbettes, broccoli cuts, peas, fried clam strips, fried potato skins, onion rings

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Vegan burritos, Mexican rice, herbed pasta, marinara sauce, honey baked onions, sandwich-provencal, fried rice bar, chicken tenders, zesty oven fries, peas, mush-rooms, rolled broccoli pizza, cheese pizza, pineapple salad, turkey breast, hummus, brown sugar cookies

Today's Dinner: Grilled chicken breast, vegetable lasagna, fennel pita toast, marinated bean salad, nacho bar, meatloaf, roasted potatoes, green beans, sausage pizza, carrot cake, Boston cream pie, bread sticks, omelets, Catonese tofu, chicken and dumplings



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OURTESY OF NOTRE DAME MOCK TRIAL TEAM

Trial divided into three seven-

person teams. All three teams

qualified for the National

Tournament but AMTA rules

allow no more than two teams

Romano credits the success

of the organization to the tal-

ent of the members and the

coach and said he anticipates

the teams will do well next

to maintain the program," he

said. "This year we established

ourselves by taking fourth and

fifth in the tournament. I think

we will be in a position to do

"I think this is great for our

program," echoed Dwyer. "It

really shows the caliber of tal-

very well next year.'

ent at Notre Dame."

"Next year we definitely want

from each school to compete.

Members of the Notre Dame Mock Trial team participate in the American Mock Trial Association National Championship in Des Moines, Iowa.

Mock Trial attends competition

By ANDREW THAGARD News Writer

Two Notre Dame teams placed fourth and fifth in their division at the American Mock Trial Association (AMTA) Championship Tournament and three students received additional awards during the event, held April 3-6 in Des Moines, Iowa.

The Notre Dame program was the only one to have two teams place top five in either division and it received the most individual awards of any of the 64 teams present, according to William Dwyer, Mock Trial coach and an attorney with the O'Rourke, Hogan, Fowler and Dwyer law firm.

"We did remarkably well," Dwyer said. "It was quite an

accomplishment." Members of the two teams included Dave Belczyk and Mike Romano, club co-presi-

dents, and Erika Jackson, Erin Blondel, Brenden Bowes, Brad Springman, Meghan McCall, Kristen Rodriguez, Vinnie Tenerelli, Jared Rizzi, Marlena Mangan, Katie Spitz, Leanor Cimino, Brandy Hutton and

Mike Romano also received the All American Attorney and All-American Witness awards. Vinnie Tenerelli and Brian

Frey received All-American Attorney awards as well.

Mock Trial allows college students to simulate court cases with team members serving as defense and prosecuting attorneys and witnesses. The AMTA holds tournaments across the nation with over 300 universities participating. All the teams in a particular division try the same case, either criminal or civil, and follow a series of established rules.

National During the Tournament, teams participated in a mock civil lawsuit brought by the parents of a seven year-old killed by a hitand-run driver.

"The idea is you have to work within the framework of the case and the rules set up by the AMTA," Dwyer said. "They try to recreate a realistic environment in which the case is tried."

Dwyer and Romano described the atmosphere of the tournament as intense and said participants spend several hours each week practicing in addition to a two-hour class that focuses on form and legal knowledge.

The students work enormously hard and there's a lot of stress involved," Dwyer said.

There are a total of 21 students in Notre Dame Mock

SMC alums speaks about business jobs

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Annie Kiperman

account supervisor

By EMILY BRAMMER News Writer

Saint Mary's alumnae returned to campus Wednesday to speak about finding a job in a uncertain economy, the importance of networking and landing a job in corporate America without ever having taken a business class.

Alysann Sieren, senior vice president of brand advertising at Bank of America, and Annie

Kiperman, account supervisor at Zubi Advertising, are both 1992 graduates of the College who have been successful in corporate America, although neither majored in business while

at Saint Mary's. "Our advice to you is love what you study. You're not going to school to get a job," said Sieren. "You're going to school to learn how to think creatively. Employers hire people who can be taught the ropes [and] they can't teach you how to think.

In their talk Sieren and Kiperman assessed the top 10 most essential skills they look for when hiring an employee. The abilities ranged from thinking on a macro level to focusing on the details, learning how to follow and learning how to

"Sell your ideas," said Sieren. "Good marketers brand products [and] successful people brand themselves."

Sieren and Kiperman also explained that success in the corporate world depends on being passionate about one's

"Your passion, or lack thereof, will be directly reflected in the quality of your work and the degree of your achieve-ment," said Kiperman.

Sieren and Kiperman also offered practical advice for landing a job and interviewing successfully as well as common

sense tips for career advancement. Kiperman discussed the importance constantly expanding one's sphere of influence and building

technical expertise and leadership skills.

'Most importantly, network like crazy," she said. "Start with the Saint Mary's College Alumnae Resource Network.

Megan McCall, alumnae commissioner for the Board of Governance helped to organize the event in cooperation with Director of Alumnae Relations Barbara Henry

"We thought it would be important to bring the alumnae back to campus and raise awareness of successful Saint Mary's Alumnae and the importance of networking," said McCall.

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University Registrar Harold Pace.

But various leaders of campus organizations

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coordinator of Rebuilding

Together Now

acknowledged that altered registration times would impactevents already scheduled for the weekend. Exact numbers of students from

different organizations affected were not available, however many juniors said they had conflicts with the rescheduled

Pace encouraged anyone with registration problems to contact the registrar's office, adding that the office would be open additional hours Friday and Saturday to assist with any registration problems students might experience.

As soon as Pace made the decision to postpone registration, his office contacted at least three major groups—the band, which scheduled a weekend tour to Detroit and Windsor, Canada, the organizers of the Rebuilding Together Now service project, formerly called Christmas in April and the organization that runs a practice MCAT test—to work out arrangements so students could register.

Jenny Monahan, an assistant to the vice president of Student Affairs and the coordinator for student involvement in Rebuilding Together Now, said she had spoken with the registrar's office about possible alter-

natives that would enable students to still participate in the service project and register during their time.

"I think they're trying really hard to make it as accommodating as possible for the students that are working," Monahan said,

adding that students could call from a cell phone from the site they were working at to register if necessary.

When Chris Karnilowicz, manager at

the South n Center, Kaplan Bend learned of the change from the registrar's office, she sent an e-mail offering two options to students scheduled to take an 8-hour practice MCAT exam Saturday. Either they could take the test Saturday, leave when their registration time arrived and return to make up the time during a scheduled break or they could take a make-up exam Sunday.

University Band Director Kenneth Dye said he was attempting to make accommodations for 12 students who would be taking a trip with the concert band. He said he told students who could not do what the registrar suggested that they would either try to find an Internet connection on the road or have someone back in South Bend register for students.

"It's just another thing to have to deal with," Dye said, "and we'll try to use whatever technical avenues we can to make it up."

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Crash

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attempted to replace damaged components of the overheated server.

Students scheduled to register on Wednesday will register Friday, while those scheduled to register today had their registration times moved to Saturday. No time slots had been altered, said Pace, thus preserving the original order assigned by the registrar's office

Over 2,500 students were affected by the change, includ-

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OIT chief

technology officer

ing graduate students and business graduate students, law students, law students, undergraduate juniors and Saint Mary's students trying to take classes at Notre Dame.

Barring any further problems, Pace

did not expect the rescheduling to affect sophomores and freshman registration dates. Sophomores are scheduled to being registering through Irishlink Monday.

Most students have the same class schedule on Friday as they do on Wednesday, Pace said, and moving the registration days to Friday and Saturday would minimize the number of students that would have to skip class to register.

"This is not a situation of our choosing," said Pace, whose office was flooded with hundreds of phone calls. "We just hope that students can work with us through this emergency."

The overheated server oper-

ated what OIT Chief Technology Officer Dewitt Latimer called "core administrative tasks," including payroll, security dispatches and student services – the database that Irishlink uses in Web registration. None of the data was lost and Latimer likened the shutdown to a computer that is intact but would not turn on.

"There's no data loss," he said, "but no computer to bring it up."

Pace said this is the first time registration dates actually had to be moved. When a problem occurred in the past, registrar officials could help students register for courses in the

office. But without access to the computer system, registrar officials will not have even that option available.

Pace said the telephone registration system, commonly called DART and previously used by the registrar's

office before a switch to Web registration in the fall 2001 semester, is no longer operational

The problem that caused the server to overheat originally occurred last week, Latimer said, and is the third problem that occurred in a week. Following a long string of relatively few problems, the 5-year-old server overheated and shut down last week. The OIT thought they fixed the problem but this past weekend another server component overheated and again caused a shutdown.

After the OIT replaced the second component, Pace said his office noticed a slower response time and sent out an e-mail to some students telling

them that if they had problems, they should go to the Registrar's office in the Main Building for assistance.

Latimer estimated that the server failed again around 7:30 a.m. Wednesday morning, a half-hour before the first group of students was scheduled to register.

As wave after wave of concerned students arrived at the registrar's office, Pace and the OIT staff established a 9 a.m. deadline to fix the problem before they decided to move the times. When it became clear that computer components would have to be replaced again, Pace told approximately 60 students outside the registrar's office of the move and sent out an e-mail about a half-hour later.

Latimer said the OIT had no idea that the server, which was scheduled to be replaced in three years, was about to overheat. A special technician was working Wednesday to replace most of the components in the

server.

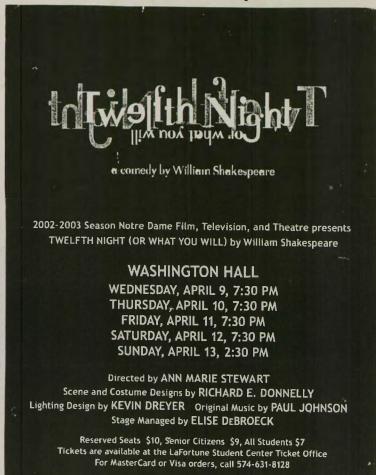
"That's the characteristic of heat-related failure," Latimer said. "They show no symptoms until it fails. We thought we had a functional system."

Both Pace and Latimer said they expected the server to be operational by Friday, but did not say what would happen if the server was not operational by then.

Latimer said the OIT had a secondary server that would take at least eight hours to hook up and OIT officials were trying to decide whether to begin setting up the backup server.

"Hindsight is 20-20 and had we known what we know now, we would have done it," he said. "But at this point, we're going to wait."

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Write for News Call 1-5323

Windows PC Users: "Unjoin" the Domain Before You're Locked Out

To ensure access to your PC when you leave campus, you **must** "unjoin" the Notre Dame Windows Domain.

Go to http://www.nd.edu/~ndoit/helpdesk to find out how.

"Unjoin" the Windows Domain Today

What happens if you don't "unjoin?"

If you don't "unjoin," you may be unable to access your computer while away from campus; you also may have problems logging on to the network when you return. This does not apply to Macintosh users.

Call the OIT Help Desk (1-8111) if you need further assistance.



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IRAQ

Baghdad cheers collapse of Saddam's regime

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Associated Press

BAGHDAD

Their hour of freedom at hand, jubilant Iragis celebrated the collapse of Saddam Hussein's murderous regime on Wednesday, beheading a toppled statue of their longtime ruler in downtown Baghdad and embracing American troops as liberators.

"He killed millions of us," said a young Iraqi, spitting on one of countless portraits of Saddam scattered throughout the capital. Men hugged Americans in full combat gear and women held up babies so soldiers riding on tanks could kiss them

Iraqis released decades of pent-up fury as U.S. forces solidified their grip on the capital. Marine tanks rolled to the eastern bank of the Tigris River; the Army was on the western side of the waterway that curls through the ancient city.

Looting broke out in the capital as Iraqis, shedding their fear of the regime, entered government facilities and made off with furniture, computers, air conditioners and even military jeeps.

"We are not seeing any organized resistance," said Navy Capt. Frank Thorp at the U.S. Central Command. "The Iraqi military is unable to fight as an organized fighting force.

There was continued combat in cities to the north, though, where government troops were under attack from U.S. and British warplanes

The scenes of liberation in Baghdad and celebrations in scattered other cities unfolded as the Pentagon announced that 101 American troops had died in the first three weeks of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Another 11 are missing and seven listed as captured. The British said 30 of their troops were dead. There are no reliable estimates for Iraqi casualties, although an Army spokesman said 7,300 prisoners had been

The medical system was overrun with civilian casualties in Basra and Baghdad, cities where some of the fiercest fighting has occurred. Doctors said 35 bodies and as many as 300 wounded Iraqis were brought to the al-Kindi hospital in the capital Tuesday.



A U.S. Marine chains the head of a statue of Iraql President Saddam Husseln before pulling it down in Baghdad's al-Fardous square. Iraqis began removing symbols of Saddam's 24-year grip on power as U.S. tanks rolled into the heart of the Iraqi capital.

Iraq's UN envoy concedes defeat

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS With the fall of Baghdad, Iraq's U.N. ambassador declared Wednesday, "the game is over" — and became the first Iraqi official to concede defeat in the U.S.-led war.

Al-Douri Mohammed expressed hope that the Iraqi people will now be able to live in

"My work now is peace," he told reporters outside his New York residence. "The game is over, and I hope the peace will prevail. I hope the Iraqi people will have a happy life.'

Al-Douri was asked what he meant when he said "the game is over.

"The war," he responded.

His comments were the first admission by an Iraqi official that coalition forces had overwhelmed Iraqi troops after a

three-week campaign. In an AP i Wednesday night, Al-Douri said he will continue to work at the United Nations and had no intention of defecting.

"Defecting from who?" he asked. "I think the government has already defected. There is no more Iraqi government to be defected from.

Two weeks ago, during a heated U.N. debate, Al-Douri accused the United States of "criminal aggression" against Iraq and warned the U.S.-led coalition was "about to start a real war of extermination that will kill everything and destroy everything.

He said U.S. and British forces were being "hoodwinked" into believing "that the Iraqi people would receive them with flowers

The outburst caused U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte to walk out of the open Security Council meeting, saying he'd "heard enough.

On Wednesday, when asked about Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Al-Douri said he had no "relationship with Saddam."

"I have no communication with Iraq," the ambassador

Questioned about Al-Douri's comments, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said: "Well, I would say it wasn't a game."

US: Saddam was likely in bombed building

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

U.S. special operations forces on Wednesday scoured the site of a Baghdad building leveled by American bombs, searching for evidence that Saddam Hussein was inside at the time of the blasts, officials said.

The team is looking for remains or other evidence to prove that the four tons of bombs dropped on the building Monday hit the Iraqi leader, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity

Multiple intelligence sources put Saddam inside the building in the capital's tony Mansour neighborhood before it was hit, other U.S. officials said.

Intelligence officials described the information that led to Monday's strike as solid but did not provide details. One source was believed to be an eyewitness who watched Saddam go inside the building.

The officials stopped well short of declaring Saddam dead.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld laid out several possibilities: "He's not active. Therefore, he's either dead, or he's incapacitated, or he's healthy and cowering in some tunnel someplace trying to avoid being caught."

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Cuba aims to justify dissident crackdown:

Cuba defended its speedy prosecution of 75 dissidents, saying Wednesday it had to protect itself against U.S. attempts to subvert the government. It also maintained that the cases' timing had nothing to do with war in Iraq. The United States, which has dismissed the Cuban allegations, condemned the crackdown. The known sentences for 57 of the government opponents who were tried ranged from 6 to 28 years. The remaining 18 sentences were expected by week's end.

New Palestinian appointments face delay:

The newly appointed Palestinian prime minister delayed naming his government Wednesday because of a dispute with Yasser Arafat over who should be in charge of the region's security forces. Prime minister-designate Mahmoud Abbas' delay came as five Palestinians, including a 16-year-old boy, were killed during clashes with Israeli troops in the Gaza Strip. The two eyents were not related.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Three medical workers may have SARS:

Three U.S. medical workers who cared for patients with severe acute respiratory syndrome likely have contracted the new contagious disease that has spread from Asia to the United States and elsewhere, officials said. Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said officials are particularly confident that worker, identified over the weekend, has the disease.

Ex-FBI agent charged with passing info:

A former FBI agent who was involved in Chinese counterintelligence work carried on a lengthy affair with an alleged Chinese double agent and allowed her access to classified documents, federal prosecutors alleged Wednesday. The former agent, James Smith, was charged in documents unsealed in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles with "gross negligence in handling documents related to the national defense."....

Gunmen lead cops to Idaho airport chase:

Two suspected armed robbers led police on a highspeed, running gun battle across runways at Boise Airport in the middle of the night. No passenger flights were affected, but the suspects were killed early Wednesday, police said. Officers tried to stop Milton Sanchez, 40, of Boise, and his wife, Melody, 32, at a gas station several miles north of the airport after receiving a report that they were suspected in two recent armed robberies and were planning a third, police spokesman Rich Wright said.

Federal jury convicts four Miami cops:

In the biggest Miami police scandal in a generation, a federal jury convicted four officers of corruption Wednesday for planting a gun on an unarmed homeless man or lying to cover it up. The convicted officers each face up to 10 years in prison at sentencing Aug. 22. Three others were acquitted and the judge declared a mistrial for four more.

Marrow

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transplant May 15, 2002 — a date he considers his new birthday. Vince has been selected to speak in June to all the living transplant recipients that have passed though Barnes Hospital at Washington University in Saint Louis, the third largest donor program in the country.

"When I heard last year that Howard Hall and our daughter were going to have a bone marrow drive for people like myself, I got goose bumps and cried," Vince said. "I volunteer to talk to patients through the

national registry now and there is nothing as sad as to listen to a patient family member say that they have they been waiting and so far no match has been found and time is running out," he said.

Anonymity

prevents a transplant recipient from learning the identity of their donor until one year after the transplant, but Ann said that she could not adequately express her desire to meet the donor who saved her father's life.

"On my graduation day, we get to find out who [the donor is]," she said. "We've been writing letters to [the donor] and I'm really hoping that I can meet him [or her.] I just don't know how you can thank someone like that."

Ann said that last year's bone marrow drive, which successfully registered 642 potential donors into the national registry, testified to the willingness of the Notre Dame community to come together in service to help others.

"The day of the drive was amazing because in the midst of a semester that was personally trying, this was a moment when I had the support of my class [and others] for a total stranger. It gave me hope in the people around me. For me, this was the hope that I needed to get through it all," she said.

Ann said that this year's bone

Ann said that this year's bone marrow drive, being held today in the LaFortune Ballroom from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., is prepared to register 1,000 people into the national bone marrow registry. The procedure consists of a brief medical screening and blood test, which takes about 15 minutes. The cost, typically \$60 per person, is subsidized through funding from The Shirt project.

Patricia Brubaker, assistant director of University Health Services and a registered nurse, volunteered her time last year to draw blood for testing. She attributed the success of last year's drive to volunteers from Health Services and the South Bend Medical Foundation who donated time and supplies.

Bend Medical Foundation who donated time and supplies. Brubaker, whose sister was a recipient of a bone marrow transplant, said that last year's student response was surprising to her.

"I was overwhelmed with the response from the students. People were very kind and I was impressed by that," she said.

Health care professionals from Chicago and South Bend will be available to perform the blood extraction, conduct the medical screening and paperwork and answer questions. Ann said that 90 people, including students and health care professionals, will be on hand to assist.

"There are so many people who come together to make a drive [happen.] I wonder what their story is and how they got involved and if they lost someone," Ann said.

Like many other participants in the drive, Howard Hall rector Kathy Brannock understands the need for marrow. A close friend of her sister's developed cancer and successfully found a donor match, but was too weak to receive the transplant.

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Ann Gurucharri

Howard Hall co-commissioner

my sister was in high school, she had a really close friend, Michelle, who died leukemia. After Michelle passed away, our friends organized an awareness [of the need for marrow], Brannock. "It

was a personal issue for me. I saw what the possibility could have been for Michelle had she been better."

Howard Hall is currently raising funds to start an endowment to ensure that the bone marrow drive will be continuously self-funded in the future.

Next year Howard Hall residents may request part of their housing fee go towards the endowment fund and organizers say they are exploring other fund raising options, like football concession stands and the solicitation of Howard Hall alumnae for donations.

Brannock said the importance of an annual bone marrow drive remains paramount.

"It's just important that we do [the bone marrow drive] every year," she said. "Who knows how many people we could help on this campus. Who knows when you may need [marrow] or someone you know may need it," she said.

Co-commissioner Camilla Pollock will head the project next year after Ann graduates. Each year, a Howard senior and a junior spearhead the bone marrow drive so that one member will have experience in planning for the upcoming year.

Pollock, who has a blood disorder and has had bone marrow extracted for testing, said that she understands the fear that many potential donors have about registering.

"All the questions that people have about being a donor I can answer because I have gone through all of the medical testing," she said.

Jessica Howell, a senior who worked on the drive last year, said that the number of people who volunteered to register astonished her. She talked about students who went in between their classes, braved long lines and frequently checked back multiple times in the day in order to register.

"I was most struck that in times of need the Notre Dame community never fails to come together. It's an example of support and selfless giving," she said.

Chris DesBarres, a volunteer and donor at last year's drive, said that the outpouring of support was strong.

"I was working there at the end and people were still lined up down the staircase waiting to donate. Even when we ran out of needles, people were reluctant to leave," said DesBarres. "It was a great way for the Notre Dame community to demonstrate its willingness to step in and help, even when the people you're helping are complete strangers," he said.

Howell said that she wanted to register last year but could not when supplies ran out. She said that she is excited to register this year and believes that the extra capacity this year will be sufficient.

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"Sprits were very high. The most disappointing [problem last year] was seeing when we ran out of vials and tests and had to turn people away," said Howell. "So many people had really been wanting to get on the list," she said.

Ann mentioned that only students who are committed to the possibility of giving bone marrow should register today.

"Joining the registry should be thought of as a commitment to donate. It's devastating for a family to think they've found a match [and have the donor refuse to donate]," she said.

Ann also said that students should not be deterred or frightened by the bone marrow extraction procedure.

"It is slightly painful, but you're saving a life. Where is the choice to be made?" Ann said.

The two previous bone marrow drives held at Notre Dame have resulted in one successful match. One more donor is in the final stages of the testing process and six more donors have been contacted for further testing.

There are currently over 3,000 patients in the United States searching for a matching bone marrow donor.

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Saint Mary's plans swimming lessons

◆ Swim team to teach kids

By LAUREN O'BRIEN News Writer

Throughout this month, members of the Saint Mary's swimming and diving team will hold swimming lessons for children in the South Bend community.

Though swimming lessons were not available last year, they have been offered in the past, said Greg Petcoff, coach of the swim team and assistant director of athletics at the College.

When Petcoff came to Saint Mary's in the fall of 2001, he decided to take a one-year break from offering the swim lessons to work on reorganizing the program.

This year, Petcoff enlisted the help of junior Amy Kleinfehn, a newly-elected co-captain of the team, and together they created a lesson plan for the 4-week program.

The swim lessons were mostly advertised in South Bend parochial schools, but they are open to the entire South Bend community. Nearly 70 children participate in the lessons, which cost \$50 for eight sessions.

According to Kleinfehn, teaching swimming lessons during the team's off-season serves multiple purposes.

"Nearly everyone on the team has taught swim lessons before," Kleinfehn said. "It is a good way to raise money and bond as a team."

Money raised will benefit the Saint Mary's Swim Fund and may help fund a winter training trip, training equipment or allow the team to travel to a swim meet in Wisconsin, which would give Saint Mary's the opportunity to compete against more Division III schools.

Petcoff said he realizes that a winter training trip to a warmer location could benefit the swim team.

The most difficult obstacle the team faces is finding adequate training facilities. While the team takes advantage of Notre Dame facilities in the evening, morning practices are held in Saint Mary's Regina Hall Pool.

"When it comes down to it, it is a question of what is going to help us to be more competitive," said Petcoff. "Making us better will win out over something that is nice."

In addition to strengthening the College's swim program, sophomore Amy Nicholson views the lessons as unique opportunity to interact with children.

"A lot of women on the swim team are education majors," Nicholson said. "The lessons give us a chance to interact with kids, as well as providing a possibility for us to see each other in the off-season."

Due to the success of the lessons, Kleinfehn said there is a possibility the team will hold lessons again in the fall.

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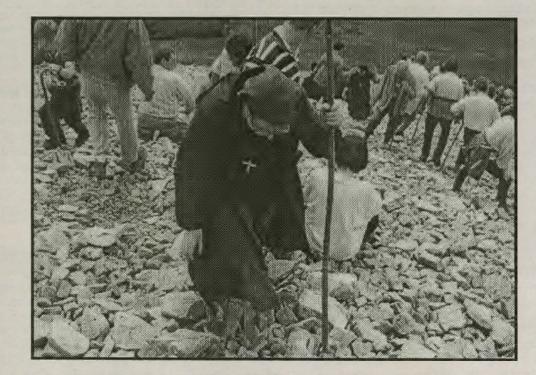
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Patsy McGany
Religious Affairs Conespondent, The Irish Times

7:00 PM Thursday, 10 April 2003 210-214 McKenna Hall/CCE

Mr. McGarry has been the recipient of the Templeton European Religion Writer of the Year Award (1998) and the Irish Journalist of the Year Award (1992). His talk is the opening address for an interdisciplinary conference:

Irish Catholics: Belief, Practice and Representation, 210-214 McKenna Hall, 10-13 April 2003.



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MARKET RECAP

Market Watch April 9 Dow Jones 8,197,94 -100.98NASDAQ 1,356.74 -26.20S&P 500 865.99 -12.30824.25 -0.90NYSE 4,870.57 -47.03

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CISCO SYSTEMS	(C5CO)	-2.90	-0.39	13.6	14
INTEL CORP (INT	rc)	-2.46	-0.42	16.6	8
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ORACLE CORP (OF	RCL)	-2.87	-0.33	11.1	7

IN BRIEF

Airline deal receives early OK

American Airlines and British Airways will be able to sell seats on each other's flights unless public opposition convinces transportation officials otherwise.

The Transportation Department said Wednesday that it has tentatively approved a code-sharing agreement between the two airlines, except for nonstop flights between the United States and London.

The public hasn't been allowed to comment on the proposal, though, so the Transportation Department will accept written objections for a week

Code-sharing allows airlines to reach more places without flying more planes and to offer reciprocal benefits. American and British Airways already had an agreement to allow their customers to earn and redeem frequent flyer points on each others' airlines.

The airlines said they plan to begin codesharing as soon as transportation officials issue a final order, expected sometime after

Travel industry seeks tax breaks

The travel industry wants a bigger tax break for business meals and government money to promote tourism, citing fallout from the struggling economy, terrorism fears, the Iraq war and the mysterious flulike illness spreading through Asia.

At a conference Wednesday, travel representatives and others discussed how to reverse the fortunes of an industry that has shed 387,000 jobs since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"When American people move, so does our economy," said Tom Donohue, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the gathering. "Don't stay home and cry in our soup and let Osama bin Laden win."

Business travel is down, tourists are sticking close to home and international visitors are reluctant to cross oceans.

Pepsi to sell rival vanilla cola

Analysts expect Coke, Pepsi rivalry to heat up

Associated Press

NEW YORK PepsiCo Inc. is hoping to turn up the heat this summer in its rivalry with Coca-Cola Co. by launching its own vanilla-flavored cola.

The Purchase, N.Y., food and beverage company speculation Wednesday about the new drink by confirming it will introduce Pepsi Vanilla late this summer. No specific launch date was announced.

Coca-Cola, based in Atlanta, has had much success with Vanilla Coke, which has sold 90 million cases since its launch last May, according to industry publication Beverage Digest.

Also, on tap from Pepsi for the warm-weathered months is Mountain Dew LiveWire, an orange-flavored Dew; new packaging, which mimics Coca-Cola's "Fridge Pack"; and a Mountain Dew tie-in with the movie "The Hulk" from Universal Pictures, a unit of Vivendi Universal.

Pepsi also plans to offer 1,000 consumers a chance to compete for \$1 billion live on AOL Time Warner Inc.'s The WB Network. The show, which will air in September, will guarantee a \$1 million winner selected through a game of chance. The winner will



Two people walk by a Pepsi Cola advertisement in Shanghai. The international soft drink giant is gearing up for summer by introducing a vanilla-flavored Pepsi.

then have a chance to up the ante to \$1 billion without forfeiting the \$1 million prize.

Matti Leshem and Davies of Michael Diplomatic Productions best known as the producers of former hit show "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire" — will pro-

duce the show.

Although Pepsi wouldn't reveal the details of the game show, the company said it is sure to be marked by building sus-pense as the pool of contestants gets winnowed down to the final winner.

"The billion-dollar promotion is going to attract

a lot of attention," said John Sicher, editor and publisher of Beverage

Pepsi shares closed Wednesday at \$39.39, up 16 cents, on the New York Stock Exchange. Shares of Coca-Cola finished at \$41.67, down 18 cents, also on the Big Board.

News Corp. to acquire Hughes

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

News Corp. agreed Wednesday to acquire control of Hughes Electronics Corp. and its DirecTV service, the nation's largest satellite television provider, in a \$6.6 billion cash and stock deal.

The proposed deal would give News Corp. access to DirecTV's more than 11 million subscribers and conclude media titan Rupert Murdoch's threeyear effort to gain a U.S. outlet for his global satellite television network.

News Corp. will acquire 34 percent of DirecTV parent Hughes Electronics, a subsidiary of General Motors Corp., by purchasing 19.9 percent of Hughes shares owned by GM. News Corp. also will offer to buy 14.1 percent of Hughes shares owned by the public.

News Corp. will pay about \$14 per share, making the deal worth about \$6.6 billion. The company will then transfer its interest in Hughes to its Fox Entertainment Group subsidiary, which includes the Fox News Channel.

Murdoch, whose News Corp. also owns other media entities and the Los Angeles Dodgers, said the deal will increase competition in the cable marU.S. viewers.

"With Fox taking a significant interst in Hughes, we are forging what we believe will be the premier diversified entertainment company in America today, with leading assets in film, television broadcasting and production, cable programming, and now pay-TV distribution," Murdoch said.

GM president and chief executive Rick Wagoner said his company "is pleased to have reached an agreement with News Corp. that provides substantial value to our stockholders.'

In addition to DirecTV, Hughes also owns 81 percent equity of satellite operator PanAmSat and Hughes Network Systems, a broadband satellite network provider.

Murdoch unsuccessfully wooed DirecTV in 2001. EchoStar Communications, a rival satellite broadcaster, tried to buy Hughes for \$18.8 billion, but that deal was blocked late last year by federal regulators who felt it would harm competi-

The News Corp. deal is also subject to regulatory approval.

The new company will provide "completely open access to our plat-

kets and provide better services to form to all suppliers" and will not be exclusive to Fox or News Corp. products, Murdoch said in a conference

At their convention in Las Vegas, members of the National Association of Broadcasters gave the acquisition a generally positive response, saying it likely would prod satellite operators to carry local stations more quickly. The trade group had opposed the Hughes-EchoStar merger because it would have reduced competition and pressure to carry local stations in smaller

Under the agreement, Murdoch would become chairman of Hughes and Chase Carey, who currently serves as an adviser to News Corp., would become president and chief executive officer of Hughes. The company would continue to be based in the Los Angeles suburb of El Segundo.

Hughes shares, which trade separately from those of General Motors, fell 2 cents to \$11.48 in regular trading before the deal was announced, but gained 36 cents in extended trading. News Corp. shares fell 66 cents in regular trading to \$27.22 each but rose 50 cents in the after-hours ses-



CLAIRE KELLEY/The Obs

Daniel Philpott, left, Catherine McGeeney, Mohamed Shehab and Andrew Berry hold a debate at the Center for Social Concerns to discuss the war in Iraq late Wednesday evening.

Panel

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A four-person panel offered diverse perspectives from ROTC, Peace Coalition, Young Republicans and International Students. The panel was moderated by Philpott, who is also a faculty fellow at the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. After the panelists were finished discussing the planned part of the dialogue, the floor was opened up to questions from the audi-

One panel member, Mary Ann Mazzarini, a senior and the wing commander in Air Force ROTC, gave possible positives and negatives that could come from the situation. She said that although the Iraqi people have been liberated from a brutal dictator, the United States has set a dangerous precedent by preemptively attacking Iraq. Actions by the United States could possibly discredit the United Nations, but that could also motivate them to enforce their rules more strictly, Mazzarini

Catherine McGeeney, a member of the Peace Coalition, took issue with classifying American military involvement as a humanitarian mission to liberate oppressed Iraqis.

"Why do we continue to support regimes that are just as bad or worse than Saddam Hussein's?" she said

McGeeney pointed to examples of human rights violations in Israel and Turkey, both U.S. allies, which have not been addressed. McGeeney also said the war has been a distraction from more urgent domestic affairs, such as the struggling

When addressing the issue of what the Notre Dame community can do at this time, McGeeney also said it would be important for students to inform themselves by using several sources for news, not just American, and by promoting dialogue on the issue

Mohamed Shehab El Din, a peace studies graduate student from Egypt, began his speech on the panel by requesting that everyone reserve a moment of silence to honor the victims of war. He then asserted that more resistance by

Iraqis is imminent as well as casualties.

'The war is not over," said Shehab. "This is just a stage."

"The way [the war in Iraq] is viewed in the Islamic world and the Arab world right now is that 'it's a crusade," Shehab

Shehab said that no one in the Arab world argue against the fact that the Hussein regime is corrupt, but they are extremely wary of the American presence in the region. He added that he is encouraged by youth and student opposition to the war.

Mark Hayes, former president of College Republicans, rounded out the panel. Hayes pointed to the possible connections between Hussein and terrorist networks and the subsequent dangers to American national security as justification for the war.

As a follow-up to Wednesday's dialogue, students will also have the opportunity to discuss the war in open lunch discussions on Thursdays in April, starting today, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the South Dining Hall Hospitality Room. Students will get lunch as usual and enter the forum for conversation exclusively about the war.

Contact Kevin Allen at

Drive

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Gurucharri organized last year's project because her father Vince was diagnosed with myelodyplastia, a disease curable only by a bone marrow transplant. Vince successfully underwent a transplant May 15, 2002.

"The day of the drive, even when the lines were really long, everyone was so patient and willing to be there. It was great," she said.

Last year's bone marrow drive was a continuation of the project begun two years ago by the class of 2002 in hopes of finding a match for three classmates diagnosed with leukemia. Over the past two years, one successful match has been made. One additional donor is in the final stage of the matching process and six more are in preliminary testing

"Students don't really realize how prevalent [the need for bone marrow is] on campus," Pollock

Pollock will head the project next year, along with a Howard Hall member of the class of 2005, after Gurucharri graduates. The residents are currently raising funds to begin an endowment that will provide for future funding for the bone marrow drive.

"People only hear about the drive the week before but it really is a 52 week commitment, Pollock said.

Chicago and South Bend heath care professionals, as well as student volunteers, will be available to perform the blood tests, medical screening and paperwork necessary for donor registration. Participants in today's drive will be registered up to age 61.

Contact Joe Trombello at

SUMMER 2003 TOUR GUIDES NEEDED

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions Office is seeking full-time tour guide/office workers for this summer

(May 19 - August 15)

Our 75-minute tours are offered M-F at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Notre Dame students from the South Bend area and students planning to attend Summer Session are encouraged to consider this opportunity.

> Please visit Room 220 in the Main Building to apply for this position. 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M - F

> > Application deadline is Wednesday, April 16

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WHAT DO THEY HAVE IN COMMON?

RUSSIAN

RUSSIAN 101, FALL 2003 NO PREREQUISITE

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Administration announces plan to reduce air pollution

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Praising the advantages of an environmental law it has criticized, the Bush administration announced agreements Wednesday with Archer Daniels Midland Co. and Alcoa Inc. to reduce air pollution in 16 states.

The settlements under the "new source review" provisions of the Clean Air Act will result in nearly \$680 million in spending to reduce about 130,000 tons of air pollution a year, Environmental Protection and Justice Department officials said.

"I'm willing to admit that this has been a very good tool,'

EPA Administrator Christie Whitman said of those provisions, which her agency changed last year. "But it's not the best we can do."

Whitman and Assistant ttorney General Tom Attorney Sansonetti emphasized they will strongly pursue cases such as these even as the administration seeks further changes in the law.

ADM, of Decatur, Ill., the nation's biggest ethanol producer, agreed to spend an estimated \$350.9 million to settle charges it failed to accurately count emissions and expanded corn and oilseed processing facilities without installing proper pollution controls.

The settlement filed in U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois includes \$213 Minnesota, the first time the million for new pollution controls over the next decade at 52 plants in 16 states.

Those states are Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee and

It also includes \$127 million to change the way it processes corn and oilseeds and to conduct environmental audits at all its facilities. Another \$6.3 million will be spent to retrofit diesel engines in school buses and \$4.6 million will go to a civil penalty.

Sansonetti said the case builds on last year's settlement with 12 ethanol plants in federal government reached agreements mandating cuts in air pollution from manufacturers of corn-based ethanol, an additive in gasoline.

Alcoa, Inc. of Pittsburgh, the world's largest aluminum producer, cast doubt on the \$334.75 million settlement figure provided by the government. The Alcoa settlement which grew from a citizen group's complaint that its Rockdale, Texas, power plant improperly made changes that increased pollution - was filed in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas.

Alcoa spokesman Kevin Lowery said it might be cheaper to close that coal-fired power plant and get energy elsewhere for its aluminum smelting facility there rather than spend the \$330 million the government estimated it would cost to install new boil-

But the company will spend \$2.5 million for conservation easements around the plant and \$750,000 to retrofit school buses in Austin, Texas, and pay a \$1.5 million civil penalty.

Whitman said the agreements would reduce by 68,000 tons a year from Alcoa and by 63,000 tons a year from ADM emissions of air pollutants such as smog-causing nitrogen oxides and acid rain-causing sulfur dioxide. Sansonetti called it the first settlement of its kind involving the grain and oilseed processing industry.

Family watched Marine hang flag

Associated Press

NEW YORK

world The watched Wednesday as a Marine corporal clambered up a statue of Saddam Hussein in Baghdad and covered its face with an American flag just before the monument was pulled down and torn to pieces by cheering Iraqis.

Also looking on raptly was Cpl. Edward Chin's family in New York

"I thought, 'Oh, my son, you are making history, you are part of the Iraqis' liberation," his father, Stanley Chin, said after watching the image of his son broadcast on television all over the world.

Shortly after wrapping the flag around the towering Saddam's face, military officials

 highly conscious of anything that could be interpreted as a sign of American occupation ordered Chin, 23, to take it down. He then replaced it with an Iraqi flag.

His fiancee. Anne Fu, said she knew Chin meant no disrespect. "He wanted

to show the Iraqi people that they were free, that they were liberated, that the U.S was there to help them and that Saddam is over," she said

outside the family's home.

Chin and his family are ethnic Chinese from Myanmar, formerly Burma. They moved to the United States when Chin was 1 week old and live in Brooklyn. He joined the Marines in 1999 and is stationed at the Marine Corps Air/Ground Combat Center in

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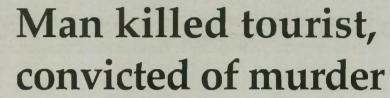
Cpl. Edward Chin's fiancee

Twentynine Palms, Calif. His family said they had

not seen him since before Christmas before they glimpsed him on television.

"I'm very proud him," his sister Connie Chin WWOR-TV.

"Here's a 23-year-old doing all these amazing things and representing America and representing it well, I think."



Associated Press

ROCKVILLE, Md. Jurors Wednesday convicted a

former Navy SEAL of killing one of two tourists whose dismembered bodies were found last year after they disappeared during a Memorial Day trip to the beach.

Benjamin Sifrit was convicted of second-degree murder for killing Martha Crutchley but acquitted of assaulting and murdering her boyfriend, Joshua Ford.

Prosecutors say the two were slain after Sifrit's wife claimed her purse had been stolen while the couples partied at the Sifrits'

Ford's brother and other relatives sat stunned in the courtroom after the verdict was read.

"I'm totally disgusted," Mark Ford said. "He took away a good brother, a very loving, trustworthy friend to everybody and this guy walks.

Sifrit, 25, testified that he was asleep when Crutchley and Ford were killed, but that he dismembered the couple to help his wife, Erika, cover up the slay-

Sifrit also was convicted of being an accessory after the fact. His trial, like the one scheduled in June for his 25year-old wife, was moved out of Worcester County because of extensive pretrial publicity.

Prosecutors said Crutchley

and Ford, of Fairfax, Va., met the Altoona, Pa., couple May 25 on a bus in Ocean City in southeastern Maryland. The four went to a bar before returning to the Sifrits' condominium to use the hot tub.

When Erika Sifrit claimed her purse was missing, her husband went into a rage against the victims, prosecutors said.

Crutchley, 51, and Ford, 32, fled into the bathroom, but prosecutors said Benjamin Sifrit shot Ford through the door, kicked it in and shot him two more times.

Sifrit said he cut the bodies into sections, wrapped them in plastic and dumped them in a trash bin outside a Delaware supermarket. The remains were found in a landfill days later.

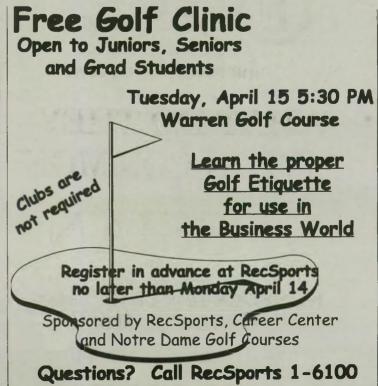
Sifrit faces a possible 30-year sentence for the murder conviction and five years for the accessory charge. He was also convicted of first-degree assault against Crutchley.

Sifrit's attorney, William Brennan, said his client was acquitted in Ford's slaying probably because the gun used belonged to Erika Sifrit.

The decision was especially difficult for Mark Ford, whose 23-year-old daughter Kelly was murdered, decapitated and had her heart removed by a serial killer two years ago. No one has been convicted of that crime, he

"I've yet to receive any justice," he said.





Campus Ministry

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what's happening

OFFICE HOURS: CoMo room 114 & 319, Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. CM Welcome Center (room 111) Sunday through Thursday 4 p.m. to Midnight.

today 4.10

Traveling Rosary for Peace

McGlinn Hall

friday 4.11

Notre Dame Encounter Retreat #76

Friday through Sunday Fatima Retreat Center

Mass for Peace and Justice

5:15 p.m. Basilica of the Sacred Heart

807 Mass

8:00 p.m. CoMo Student Lounge

Traveling Rosary for Peace

9:00 p.m. Carroll Hall

sunday 4.13

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

9:45 a.m. Solemn Mass 12 noon Sunday Mass Basilica of the Sacred Heart

RCIA-Morning of Reflection

Coleman Morse Student Lounge

monday 4.14

Traveling Rosary for Peace

Old College

tuesday 4.15

Campus Wide Stations of the Cross & Sacrament of Reconciliation

7:00 p.m.

Procession departs from the Grotto Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Campus Bible Study

7:00 -8:00 p.m. 114 Coleman-Morse Center

Traveling Rosary for Peace

9:00 p.m. Lewis Hall

Weekly Spanish Mass

10:30 p.m. St. Edward's Hall

wednesday 4.16

Graduate Student Christian Fellowship

8:00 p.m. Wilson Commons

Traveling Rosary for Peace

WIDE

9:00 p.m. Stanford Hall

Interfaith Christian

Night Prayer

10:00 p.m. Morrissey Hall Chapel pray for peace

Tonight's Location: McGlinn @ 9:00pm

(tomorrow night: Carroll Hall)

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SAUDI ARABIA

Citizens shocked by US ascension divided on war in Iraq

◆ Fall of Baghdad met by disbelief in the Arab world

Associated Press

RIYADH

The fall of Baghdad provoked shock and disbelief among Arabs, who expressed hope that other oppressive regimes would crumble but also disappointment that Saddam Hussein did not put up a better fight against America.

"Why did he fall that way" Why so fast?" asked Yemeni homemaker Umm Ahmed, tears streaming down her face. "He's a coward. Now I feel sorry for

Arabs clustered at TV sets in shop windows, coffee shops, kitchens and offices to watch the astounding pictures of U.S. troops overwhelming an Arab capital for the first time ever. Feeling betrayed and misled, some turned off their sets in disgust when jubilant crowds in Baghdad celebrated the arrival of U.S. troops.

"We discovered that all what the [Iraqi] information minister was saying was all lies," said Ali Hassan, a government employee in Cairo, Egypt. "Now no one believes Al-Jazeera anymore."

In a live report from Baghdad, correspondent Shaker Hamed of Abu Dhabi Television said, "We are all in shock. How did things come to such an end? How did U.S. tanks enter the center of the city? Where is the resistance? This collapse is puzzling. Was it the result of the collapse of communications between the commanders? Between the political leadership? How come Baghdad falls so easily."

The shock came after weeks of hearing Saddam's government pledge a "great victory" or fight to the death against "infidel

"We Arabs are clever only at talking," Haitham Baghdadi, 45, said bitterly in Damascus, Syria. "Where are the Iraqi weapons? Where are the Iraqi soldiers?"

Behind the disbelief lay a worry over the prospect of an American occupation of an Arab

However, Tannous Basil, a 47year-old cardiologist in Sidon, Lebanon, said Saddam's regime was a "dictatorship and had to

go."
"I don't like the idea of having here, but we the Americans here, but we asked for it," he said. "Why don't we see the Americans going to Finland, for example? They come here because our area is filled with dictatorships like Saddam's.'

Tarek al-Absi, a Yemeni university professor, was hopeful Saddam's end presaged more democracy in the region.

"This is a message for the Arab regimes, and could be the beginning of transformation in the Arab region," al-Absi said. "Without the honest help of the Western nations, the reforms will not take place in these coun-

From Kuwait, which was occupied by Saddam's forces before the 1991 Gulf War, came one of the few statements of unadulterated support. Sheik Sabah Al Ahmed Al Sabah, Kuwait's deputy prime minister and foreign minister, said, "Joy fills our hearts as we see our Iraqi brothers ... express their jubilation at

victory."

In comments carried by stateowned Kuwait Television, he praised "the huge sacrifices made by the coalition" to free

But for most Arabs, the overwhelming emotions were those of distaste and worry.

Three men having tea and smoking in a coffee shop in Riyadh were unsettled as they watched television, even though they said they were against Saddam and felt sorry for the long-suffering Iraqis.

I can't say that I'm happy about what's going on because these are non-Muslim forces that have gone in and I hope they will not stay," said Mohammed al-Sakkaf, a 58-year-old business-

Another of the three, Walid Abdul-Rahman, said he was disturbed by the sight of U.S. troops lounging in Saddam's palaces or draping the U.S. flag around the head of a Saddam statue. "Liberation is nobler than that," he said. "They should not be so provocative.'

In Jordan, hotel receptionist Wissam Fakhoury, 28, expressed disgust at the Baghdad crowds.

'I spit on them," he said. "Do those crowds who are saluting the Americans believe that the United States will let them live better?" Fakhoury said. "[Americans] will loot their oil and control their resources, leaving them nothing.

Bahraini physician Hassan Fakhro, 62, said he was saddened because even if Saddam 'was a dictator, he represented some kind of Arab national resistance to the foreign invaders — the Americans and the British."

Democratic candidates

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Howard Dean

democratic presidential

candidate

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

On the day Saddam Hussein's regime collapsed, divisions over the war in Iraq took center stage in the first joint appearance of the nine candidates running for the Democratic presidential nomination.

The candidates intended to lay out their agendas on children's issues at a forum sponsored by the Children's Defense Fund. But with U.S. military advances dominating the news, the first question from a panel

of journalists was about the

Five of the candidates opposed the war defended their position despite the U.S. success in Baghdad. The Bush administration's attack on Iraq sets a

dangerous precedent of pre-emption, they said, and the money spent on the war and reconstruction could be better spent on problems at home.

"For \$200 billion we can insure every child in this country under the age of 18," said former Vermont Gov. Howard

Dean, who opposed going to war without U.N. backing. "It seems to me like that is a better invest-

ment."

Florida Sen. Bob Graham, making his first appearance as a presidential candidate, said he voted against the resolution granting authority for the military strike because he felt the war would make Americans less secure. He said the United States should focus on pursuing the shadowy group of international terrorists responsible for the Sept. 11 attacks instead of Saddam Hussein.

"Saddam Hussein is an evil person," Graham said. "He lives in a neighborhood with lots of evil people. The question is where do we put our priorities."

Ohio Rep. Dennis Kucinich, former Illinois Sen. Carol Moseley Braun and civil rights activist Al Sharpton of New York also maintained their opposition to the war. "I do not see where we have seen the nuclear weapons that we were told were there," Sharpton said.

The war has been a delicate issue for Democrats since many core party activists oppose it. But polls show most Americans are behind Bush's effort in Iraq, and some say a tough stance against the war could hurt his opponent in the general elec-

tion.

The four candidates who voted to give Bush authority to attack Iraq -Rep. Dick Gephardt and Sens. John Edwards of North Carolina, John Kerry Massachusetts and

Lieberman of Connecticut were asked whether the costs of the war will hurt domestic pro-

Gephardt said the war would create larger deficits, but as president he would roll back almost al! of Bush's tax cuts and fund health care for every

"It's the moral thing to do, it's the right thing to do and as president I will get it done," he

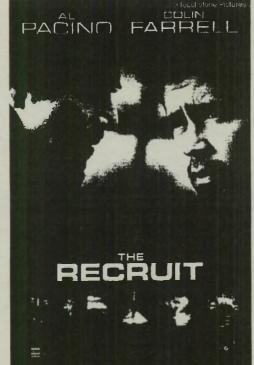
Lieberman and Edwards said there shouldn't be a choice between war and domestic programs. "It's actually the responsibility of the president of the United States to do two things at one time," Edwards said.

"If we pull back the tax cut, we could both protect our security and provide a better life for our children," Lieberman said.

Kerry said that although he voted for the resolution and supported disarmament of Saddam, he does not support the way that Bush went to war without more international support.



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IRAQ



Kurds in Northern Iraq celebrate the falling of Baghdad to American troops. Kurd forces, in coalition with American forces, hope to gain control of strategic cities like Mosul and Kirkuk.

Kurds rejoice as Baghdad falls

Associated Press

BAGHDAD

Iraqi Kurds flooded the streets of northern Iraq on Wednesday, rejoicing in the downfall of President Saddam Hussein — a leader who had gassed them and executed them by the thousands.

"He's gone! He's gone!" chanted a group of boys dancing in stalled traffic. As news spread that U.S. troops had overtaken the Iraqi capital Baghdad, Kurds left their homes and waded onto streets, waving streamers and the yellow starburst flag of their autonomous region.

But fighting in the north was not over, and strategic oil fields near the cities of Mosul and Kirkuk remained under Iraqi control.

Backed by U.S. Special Forces and American-led warplanes, Kurdish fighters took a strategic peak near Mosul and were just outside Kirkuk, but it wasn't clear when coalition troops would attack those key areas.

That did not stop tens of thousands of Kurds from basking in the moment of Baghdad's fall to coalition troops.

In the Kurdish administrative capital of Irbil, joy came in many guises. Car horns blared. Boys waved hand-drawn American flags. Militiamen held their weapons overhead.

People burned newspaper photos of Saddam. One car windshield carried a message written in soap: "Bye Bye, Saddam." A cartoon showed Saddam falling into a garbage bin.

"There is joy today, but let's not forget we've all shed tears because of Saddam," said actor Uman Chowshin. "We cannot never forget what he's done to us."

Saddam's regime has long oppressed the 4 million Kurds living in northern Iraq, despite occasional alliances of convenience between Kurdish leaders and Saddam's regime. In the late 1980s, more than 150,000 Kurds are believed to have been killed by the Iraqi leader's orders. In 1988, in the town of Halabja, a poison chemical attack wiped out an estimated 5,000 residents.

Wall Street pulls back as troops move ahead

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Wall Street pulled back Wednesday after investors' elation about a quick end to the war with Iraq dissolved into concerns about corporate profits. Stocks tumbled sharply with the Dow Jones industrials forfeiting 100 points.

"The market has been absolutely thrilled about an imminent end for arguably [these] first three weeks of the war. We started the stock rally before the war started," said Arthur Hogan, chief market analyst at Jefferies & Co.

"Unfortunately, when investors stop celebrating they will have to focus on corporate profits, which may not be so jubilant," he said.

The Dow closed down 100.98, or 1.2 percent, at 8,197.94.

The broader market also fell. The Nasdaq composite index dropped 26.20, or 1.9 percent, to 1,356.74. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 12.30, or 1.4 percent, to 865.99.

Wall Street welcomed news from the U.S. military that Saddam Hussein's government is no longer in control of Baghdad and TV footage showing joyous crowds swarming the city and defacing images of Saddam.

But the market's ability to advance was impeded by first-quarter earnings, which companies began releasing this week. Profits are expected to be mostly disappointing, due to the detrimental effect

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of the war on the economy and in turn, corporate performance.

Wall Street has failed this week to gain upward momentum despite encouraging news on the war front, including rumors Tuesday that Saddam was dead. The Dow dipped 1.49 Tuesday, having risen a modest 23.26 on Monday.

"For weeks, the only game in town was Iraq. We have gotten to the point where it is not over but in the last quarter. Investors are now looking for the next thing that will drive the market," said Chris Johnson, manager of quantitative analysis at Schaeffer's Investment Research in Cincinnati. "The economy is still not good. For the past few weeks, we were able to ignore that as the market focused on success in Iraq."

While investors will likely send certain shares lower when first-quarter earnings disappoint them, stocks are more vulnerable to weak predictions about the second quarter, which companies are likely to make, citing higher energy costs and decreased consumer spending in the wake of the war.

"The market needs to hear that the next quarter is it," said Johnson, referring to a return to profitability. "Unfortunately, the current events in the market are going to keep that from happening."

Decliners included Knight Ridder, which fell \$1.55 to \$58.81 after reporting quarterly profits that fell short of estimates.

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UN refuses US demand to probe N. Korea

Associated Press

NEW YORK

The U.N. Security Council refused Wednesday to act on a U.S. request to condemn North Korea for pulling out of a treaty to curb nuclear weapons because of strong opposition from China and Russia.

But U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte called the council's expression of concern "an acceptable outcome." He expressed hope that North Korea "will not reject diplomatic efforts to address its nuclear program" and warned Pyongyang against any "further escalatory steps.

At the heart of the dispute is North Korea's insistence on direct talks with the United States, which it views as a threat to its security.

The Bush administration, which has called North Korea part of an "axis of evil" along with Iran and Iraq, insists that the problem be addressed in a multilateral

forum, including countries threatened by Pyongyang's nuclear program.

China, Russia, the European Union and Secretary-General Kofi Annan have tried to get North Korea and the United States to the negotiating table. U.N. envoy Maurice Strong, who just returned from Pyongyang, said Tuesday both sides now agree to hold direct and multilateral talks, but haven't agreed on the for-

North Korea has warned that any Security Council action would undermine peace efforts and it has reiterated several times that it would regard U.N. sanctions as a declaration of war.

With such high stakes, council members chose to take no action, hoping to instead find an acceptable framework for talks.

"Members of the council expressed their concern" about the nuclear issue, said council president Adolfo Aguilar Zinser, Mexico's U.N. ambassador. "The council will

continue to follow up developments of this matter. There is nothing else to add to this."

China's Foreign Ministry said Tuesday the Security Council had no business discussing North Korea's nuclear program.

Leaving Wednesday's meeting, China's U.N. Ambassador, Wang Yingfan, said, "I think it was a good discussion. All the efforts are being done, and will continue, to promote political dialogue — that's what I stressed.

"The only way the problem is going to be solved is direct bilateral dialogue between Washington and Pyongyang, and whatever multilateral formats are used should be in addition to this," said Russia's U.N. Ambassador, Sergey

The standoff began in October when U.S. officials said North Korea admitted it had a clandestine nuclear program. North Korea's U.N. Ambassador Pak Gil Yon called the report "a rumor."

Washington suspended fuel

shipments that were part of a 1994 agreement with the United States that froze North Korea's nuclear program. The North retaliated by expelling U.N. nuclear monitors and withdrawing from the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty as of Thursday.

It then took steps to restart its frozen nuclear program, saying it would be limited, for the moment, to peaceful purposes such as electricity production.

The International Atomic Energy Agency referred the issue of North Korea's withdrawal to the council in February.

Even though the council did not agree on a statement of condemnation, Negroponte said the outcome of Wednesday's meeting was "acceptable."

"Diplomatic contacts ... are taking place bilaterally, multilaterally, between all the countries in the region around the Korean peninsula — China, Japan, South Korea and so forth," he said.

Ex-CEO rejects charges

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Fired HealthSouth CEO Richard Scrushy refused to answer questions in federal court Wednesday about claims the company overstated earnings by \$2.5 billion to meet Wall Street expectations.

Scrushy faced more than 50 questions from Bill Hicks of the Securities and Exchange Commission but repeatedly invoked his Fifth Amendment right to avoid self-incrimination.

The SEC filed suit last month accusing Scrushy and the health care giant he founded of overstating earnings. The hearing was to determine whether Scrushy's personal assets should remain frozen while the government investigates what it calls a massive accounting fraud at HealthSouth.

Scrushy, who has denied wrongdoing, will be charged in a criminal indictment "that is about to drop,' defense attorney Tom Sjoblom told the judge. U.S. Attorney Alice Martin wouldn't comment on whether Scrushy would be charged criminally.
Eight former HealthSouth

executives already have pleaded guilty and a ninth

has agreed to.

Scrushy already has given a sworn statement in the case, and the government revealed it has a recording of him made secretly by a former HealthSouth executive who is helping investigators.

Government lawyers said Scrushy has requested about \$10 million in living expenses, plus \$60 million for legal fees and tax payments. Sjoblom wouldn't let Scrushy tell Hicks why he needed so much money, but Scrushy's lawyers did not contest the amount.

Other former HealthSouth officials testified at Scrushy's hearing in a government effort to show it has a reasonable chance of winning the civil case. The hearing was set to continue Thursday.

Diana Henze, the company's former assistant vice president for finance, testified that she went to thenchief financial officer William T. Owens with suspicions about accounting fraud in

spring 1999. Henze said Owens, who has pleaded guilty to criminal fraud charges, told her changes had to be made to meet earnings forecasts to keep the company's stock prices up or "people would lose their jobs."

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Senate passes tax cuts for donations to charities

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Abandoning President Bush's larger "faith-based initiative," the Senate passed scaled-back legislation Wednesday granting new tax breaks for charitable donations.

The initiative began as an effort to open government programs to churches, synagogues and other religious organizations, but that proved so contentious that backers dropped every one of these provisions from the bill.

The revised measure was approved 95-5.

It now simply provides a variety of tax breaks for charity donations, including a break for contributors who do not itemize on their taxes. It also provides \$1.3 billion more over two years for the Social Services Block Grant, a favorite of Democrats.

The White House said it supports many elements of the bill but "strongly opposes" the increased money for the social services program. President Bush suggested he wanted to see changes to more closely reflect his proposals.

"America's charities face tough times, and we can do more to support their efforts," Bush said in a statement. "I look forward to continuing to work with Congress to improve the CARE Act legislation.

His words contrasted statements by Senate backers, who characterized their action as the final compromise.

Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn.,

called Bush's move a "major reversal.'

'I cannot understand why the Administration would do such a divisive thing and undermine the harmony we achieved with

this strongly bipartisan, highconstructive bill we passed today," Lieberman said in a statement.

It was unclear what the bill's fate would be in the House, or whether the Senate would sup-

port a bill that includes more of Bush what wants.

As passed by the Senate, the bill would give people who do not itemize on their taxes a break for donations to charity beyond \$250 in any one year, up to \$500. To keep the cost down,

the new tax deduction would expire in two years.

The bill also gives tax breaks for corporate donations, allows tax-free donations from **Individual Retirement Accounts** and encourages banks to offer Development Individual Accounts, which match the savings of low-income people

It provides \$150 million for a new fund to help small charities, including religious groups, expand their programs.

The vote Wednesday came after more than two years of sometimes angry debate in Congress about the role of religious groups using tax dollars. Lieberman said he was "proud and in some sense relieved" to arrive at the vote.

Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., the other lead sponsor, said the bill would encourage charitable giving and therefore support religious groups, as well as secular ones, that will receive more contributions.

"It's really a great day for those who have been working hard, committing their lives in

some of the most difficult neighborfighting, this compromise hoods of this country," Santorum said. "We're tolerance, equality under going to be getting those resources that much needed to those grass roots

organiza-tions." Santorum also argued that the Bush administration has succeeded in rewriting government regulations to open programs to religious groups, making legislation less urgent. Santorum also promised to revisit the issue when a bill renewing the welfare program comes to the floor later this year.

The Senate dismissed an amendment backed by Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., to give people who sell land for conservation a break on capital gains. That vote was 62-38.

That was the only amendment considered, with other objections to the bill dismissed after

the controversial parts were

stripped.

The initiative, at the center of Bush's "compassionate conservative" agenda, met stiff opposition from the start.

Backers argued that people looking for social services should be able to choose religious providers if they want to. Opponents worried about discrimination against people based on religion and feared the wall between church and state was crumbling.

A divided House approved Bush-backed legislation opening a dozen new federal social programs to religious groups. It allowed these groups to hire or fire based on their religion, and allowed them to skirt state antidiscrimination laws.

The bill was strongly opposed by civil rights groups and others, and when it got to the Senate, Santorum Lieberman scaled it back.

Their bill initially offered tax breaks and made it clear that religious groups may not be excluded from government contracts for reasons such as having a religious name or displaying religious symbols.

Still, critics objected. Unable to overcome these objections, backers stripped the contested language altogether.

Opponents welcomed the final

"After two years of fighting, this compromise is finally consistent with the American values of tolerance, equality under the law and religious freedom," said Christopher Anders of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Illegal cigarette ring busted

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Government investigators announced Wednesday that they had broken up cigarette

smuggling operations that allegedly trafficked about \$20 million in contraband cigarettes on both coasts.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives announced the arrests of 13 members of two smuggling smuggling groups in California. ATF agents are looking for four other smug-

"Truckloads of these cigarettes were going across the country," said Jeff Roehm, ATF special agent in charge of the Washington field division. "It's one of the largest tobacco operations uncovered.

Federal, state and local law enforcement organizations were involved in the 2-1/2year investigation.

Officials said the smuggling organizations moved about 108 million cigarettes from Virginia to California, defrauding California of some \$5 million in tax revenue. The smugglers operated in Nevada and New York as well, the government said.



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Center helps to build community

A couple of blocks down the street at the corner of Eddy and Howard sits a colorful building known as the Robinson Community Learning Center.

Richard

Friedman

A Skewed

Perspective

Developed after a six-month long process that involved community

leaders, residents and community organizations, the Center, which opened in 2001, was designed to be an outreach by the University to the Northeast

Neighborhood of South Bend According to the Center's Mission Statement, the Center was designed to build trust through partnerships that stimulate community revitalization, thus strengthening the interaction between the Northeast Neighborhood and the University. It goes on to state that the Center was designed to enhance the area's life and gifts by providing teaching and learning opportunities through a range of educational, health and faith-

based initiatives. In order to accomplish all of these goals, the Center has eight full-time staff members who are responsible for overseeing and maintaining the overall direction of the Center, as well as running the adult programs. In addition to this staff, the Center also has 100 student employees and volunteers from Notre Dame.

It is as a student employee that I have had contact with the Center. Since October of last year I have been volunteering at the Center twice a week as a tutor for the after school program. Not quite sure what to expect at first, I must admit that I was somewhat uneasy about the whole idea of trying to tutor children from South Bend. I was unsure about how I would be able to connect with these children whose backgrounds seemed to be so different than mine and what it would be like to try. As I sat there through the tutor training sessions, however, I began to get somewhat excited. After listening to the directors talk about

how much the children looked forward to the tutors' arrival and how much the tutors helped, I realized that this was a unique and valuable opportunity.

My first day of tutoring only served to further my excitement. I could not believe the excitement on some of the kids' faces when their tutors arrived.

They were so excited to tell how their day was, so excited to just have someone who was there specifically for them. As my relationship grew with my assigned child I began to experience that glow and excitement from the inside as well.

I began to realize that what so many of these children need is some stability and knowledge that someone is taking time out specifically for them. It is hard to imagine that helping a child do simple math problems or taking the time to play a few games of Connect Four a week can make a difference, but I can assure you it does That is not all to say

that the work is always easy, because it is not. With such a relationship comes responsibility, and these children hold you to your word. Seeing the disappointment on some of the children's faces when their tutors cannot be there one day can be painful. And, of course they do not always want to work. But despite all the challenges and the extra responsi-

bility, there is no doubt that it is worth it. This semester I have been lucky enough to have had even more of an opportunity to work at the Center. Due to more schedule flexibility, I am able to get there at the same time as the children and interact with them for an hour before the rest of the tutors arrive. What I have found through this experience is that the more time you spend at the Center, the more you come to love it and

the children. The more comfortable they become with you, the more open they are and the more you can see how much their time there and their relationship with you means to them.

As tutors we give these children someone to look up to and a sense of stability, something they may not get anywhere else. Just to know that you mean so much to a child, just to know that what you are doing is making such an impact, is unbelievable, and truly an experience that everyone should have.

Overall, the Robinson Center has made a large impact in my life here at Notre Dame and

changed the way I view

South Bend. The Center

allows us as students to really get involved with the community and to take part in helping to revitalize it and to make that difference that

everyone talks about wanting. It allows us to see the connections that we can have with the residents and it lets us take part in

helping them improve their lives. It is something that I would encourage everyone who has the time to do, because

there is nothing quite like it. So, as you plan your schedule for next semester, think abut leaving from 3:30 to 5:30 open on either Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday so that you can volunteer at the Robinson Center and have an opportunity to help and really connect with the community.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Don't eat the veal

Could you imagine a small puppy being taken from his mother at birth, doomed to spend the rest of his life tied to a crate so tiny that he can't even turn around or lie down comfortably? He is kept mainly in the dark and in total isolation. Because these conditions are so unnatural, to prevent illness, he is pumped full of drugs and antibiotics to keep him alive. At just 20 weeks, left so weak that he can barely walk, he is slaughtered. You probably can't fathom an innocent little puppy being subjected to these conditions, and in fact, if you did this to your dog, you could be prosecuted for breaking anti-cruelty laws. Yet, these are standard methods for raising veal calves in the United States.

As the public has slowly become aware of the gruesome truth behind the production of veal, there has been a recent outcry to ban this inhumane and cruel practice. Many establishments have pledged to stop serving it.

Unfortunately, Notre Dame Food Services still offers veal in

the dining hall. This year, the student group ND For Animals has been working to get veal out, and so far, we have collected over 1,200 signatures from students who feel the same. But because some students still want to see it served, this may not be enough. We need your support. Please fill out dinning hall comment cards letting Notre Dame Food Services know that Notre Dame will not tolerate such injustice, send an email to kalili.1@nd.edu and most importantly, don't eat the veal!

If you would like more information on the treatment of veal calves, visit www.noveal.org. With your help, we can get this University to stop supporting animal cruelty. Thank you.

> Carolyn Tampe President, ND For Animals senior

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"America is the only country that went from barbarism to decadence without civilization in between."

> Oscar Wilde writer

VIEWPOINT

Thursday, April 10, 2003

Challenging ROTC to see other views

Those in ROTC at our schools can justifiably find many reasons to swell with national pride. We are inspired by the many unnamed soldiers who have put their face in the dirt to pay the price for our liberty. As Colin Powell has said, "Over the years, the United States has sent many of its fine young men and women into

great peril to fight for freedom beyond our borders. The only amount of land we have ever asked for in return is enough to bury those that did not

Andrew DeBerry

ND Changing

Times Such soldiers have set a high standard for us who follow. We can be faithful to them by hearing the challenges presented by the very citizens whose freedom we regard so highly. Doing so can only make us better offi-

While it is agreed that Saddam Hussein is a harsh dictator, we must scrutinize our leaders also. According to CNN, our president, vice president and national security adviser all have strong personal ties to energy industries: "Bush is a former director of Harken Energy Corporation, Chency served as chief executive officer of Halliburton **Energy Services Corporation and National Security Council** Director Condoleezza Rice served on the board of directors of Chevron. The top 100 officials in the Bush administration have the majority of their personal investments, almost \$150 million, in the traditional energy and natural resource sectors." These facts seem worthy of at least

some thought in our discernment about the war.
According to the CIA's World Factbook, our military expenditure is over \$276 billion, which is roughly one third of the world's total military expenditure. The U.S. figure is 210 times that of Iraq, which puts \$1.3 billion towards its military. However, President Bush's press secretary Ari Fleischer said, "This is about preserving the

peace and saving the lives of Americans."

On the other hand, such arguments can be interpreted to support the war effort. The president can couple virtuous intents with their economic expertise to reconstruct a better, stronger Iraq. And Iraq's \$1.3 billion can still cause irreparable destruction against the United States or its own citizens under Hussein's direction. Also, despite the Pope's grave concerns about the war, he has made clear in his Catechism that without official government intelligence, he is not the proper authority to declare a war just.

Having neither the top secret information nor the gift of insight into politician's hearts, it seems difficult for anyone to concretely assert they know our leaders' motives. And that's where the health skepticism should arise for us who

Although our military does receive annual training about just conduct within war, politicians deciding the war efforts as a whole are fallible people with important practical and economic concerns who many not exclusively follow the Church's teachings that the laity is to animate. Therefore, we ironically seek out and learn from those who are frustrated by our government because we love our nation and the values we want it to embody. Engaging the issue will make us and the teams we lead more grounded in the integrity and moral courage our military

Figures at Notre Dame act as our models to follow. Various instructors in ROTC and the Kroc Peace Institute have recurring lunches for dialogue. They learn by their relationship. During a recent meeting with Peter Quaranto, a student leader in Pax Christi, and an ROTC officer, open dialogue was praised for the educated, moral foundation is helps to build. College is an appropriate opportunity for such discourse as a time to let one's intellect explore deep and wonderful areas. As the officer noted, there is a problem if ROTC students are not able to address the arguments presented to them.

Consequently, next week's Pass In Review will present a special opportunity for us to hand each other along during this precarious ethical journey. ROTC students will gather in parade before Father. Malloy. Pax Christi will gather also to promote challenging viewpoints worthy of ROTC's consideration during their process of developing leadership excellence. Perhaps we can demonstrate our common patriotism and regard for peace by coming together in dialogue and joint service projects in days to come.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

What about the environment?

My friends often make fun of me because I take newspapers out of the trash and put them instead in a recycling bin. And while I know that I am not environmentally friendly at all times, I often wonder why it is so difficult for some people to walk those few extra steps in order to recycle. Why, even at a university particularly concerned with social issues,

do students fail to show strong concern for the environment? I could probably count on two hands the number of Viewpoint articles addressing environmental issues in this year's Observers. Why is there this lack of dialogue about these matters that so clearly affect

Perhaps the reason is that there is no problem with our current ecosystem. Maybe our environment is doing just fine, and there is no need to talk about it. This is simply not true. **Environmental experts** have made strong cases that our planet presently faces some serious problems. Pollution levels are rising, global warming is increasing, energy shortages are looming on the horizon and population rates are becoming ever more threatening. The list goes on. All of these issues prove to affect the quality of our lives and the lives of future generations.

Another possible cause for this seeming lack of interest in environmental issues is that students here just don't know about them. Again, I would say this is false. Notre Dame is a distinguished university made up of intellectual students. Thus, as students of this fine institution, we are expected to have a general level of knowledge about the world, including our environment. And so although not everyone knows every detailed issue, most students here probably know of the broad environmental

If there is a problem, and most of us know of it,

why this void of dialogue? Perhaps some would say that students here don't really care. But I think the real problem is that we fail to see these environmental issues as a priority because our attention is focused elsewhere. We currently are engaged in a devastating war that affects each of us; our nation is dealing with many other issues of terrorism and

poverty. It is understandable that as students, we neglect to see the environment as still important in light of all

However, we cannot keep setting aside environmental issues because we fail to see them as immediate problems. To do so is to endanger the quality of our lives, for we desperately rely on the safety and preservation of our ecosystem. If we are fighting a war on terror and poverty to preserve the well being of our society, we too must fight a war to save the environment. The problems of our ecosystem may seem unsolvable at our level, but we can make a difference with the small things: reading and engaging in dialogue about current environmental issues, writing to government agencies and even recycling. We are told time and again that as students of the University of Notre

Dame, we are the future leaders of the world. As such, we must take an interest in our ecosystem. We make the choices about the air we will breathe and the water we will swim in the future. We decide whether we will visit national parks or live in crowded smog-ridden cities in our retirement. So make the effort, do a little trash picking and start talking about the environment today.

> Abigail Braun sophomore Cavanaugh Hall

Examining graduation rates

In his April 9 letter "Unjust athletic programs hurt African-Americans," Michael Derocher points out the alarmingly low graduation rates of the black basketball players at many colleges and universities, especially those who fared well in recent NCAA tournaments. The letters starts out by naming specific schools and graduation rates. Derocher goes on to suggests that a "win at an cost attitude from the conege athletic programs, have created a situation where the schools and coaches rake in millions of dollars and the athletes are "left out

Derocher has a legitimate concern, but he goes a little overboard when he labels this situation "modern day slavery" and says that the two people who should be most enraged by it are Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton. First, I don't know what modern day slavery is, but to imply that this is anything like the slavery in this country before the Civil War is entirely off base. Secondly, wouldn't the Revs. Jackson and Sharpton's involvement in this situation lessen the urgency and credibility, since Jackson and Sharpton were also accused in the letter of being involved in too

many other issues?

While I thank Derocher for his letter and agree with it in principle, I don't think he gave enough information to explain why the graduation rates are so low. The situation is a lot more complex than Derocher makes it seem. The graduation rates do not include players who turn pro early, like Carmelo Anthony, who surely will leave Syracuse early, nor do they account for players who transfer to other schools. So a player like Dan Miller will not count toward either the University of Maryland or Notre Dame's graduation rate.

Also left out was the current trend of players who almost have to leave school early or risk losing millions of dollars. And it's not just the black players. Players like Troy Murphy or Mike Dunleavy, who probably would like to have stayed in college for four years, leave early to maximize their draft position. For some strange reason, NBA general managers penalize most players who stay for their senior seasons. A player like Shane Battier, who as a senior was the National Player of the Year at Duke was selected after three high school players and an international

player. Both Juan Dixon and Lonnie Baxter, two seniors who were instrumental in Maryland winning the NCAA title last year, were selected after Chris Wilcox - a sophomore who was not as important to Maryland's success. These examples show that it is practically mandatory to leave school early to have an NBA

Still, there is no excuse for some of these schools having zero graduation rates among its black players. There is plenty of blame to go around for the low graduation rate, but the primary responsibility lies with the NCAA, the athletic programs and the coaches. It seems to me that since they are the ones who make up the rules and make the money, they have to get together and decide whether or not they are going to enforce laws that say the players have to be both students and athletes — meaning that graduation is important - or they have to stop the hypocrisy and start paying the athletes.

> Jucain Butler Research Technician Dept. of Engineering April 9

Movie Review

'View from the Top' a new low

By MARY SQUILLACE Scene Movie Critic

"Please fasten your seatbelts and return your seats to their locked, upright position; we will now be experiencing some turbulence." This warning should be issued before anyone should

be subjected to viewing Bruno Barreto's "A View from the Top.' After stumbling through corny dialogue, a trite screenplay, and failed attempts at comedy, his film ultimately crashes and burns.

Donna Jensen (Gwyneth Paltrow) is a small town girl who

aspires to see the world. In an attempt to fulfill this dream, she takes a job as a stewardess with a small airline that boasts of "big hair, short skirts, and service with a smile." Soon after, deter-mined to move-up in the world, Donna and her best friend Christine (Christina Applegate) enroll in flight attendant school with an upscale airline.

However, Donna's dreams of working in first class are shattered when she is assigned to work out of Cleveland. Nevertheless, in a typical cinematic twist of fate, it is here where she reunites with love-interest Ted (Mark Ruffalo). In the end Donna must decide between staying in Cleveland with Ted and pursuing her dreams.

While the premise of "A View from the Top" appears to be promising grounds for some quality satire, screen-writer

"View from the Top"

Starring: Gwyneth Paltrow, Christina

Applegate, Marc Blucas, Mark Ruffalo,

Kelly Preston, Mike Myers, Rob Lowe,

Director: Bruno Barreto

Candice Bergen, Stacey Dash

Writer: Eric Wald

Wald's cheesy dialogue and overly dramatic warm-andfuzzy moments thwart any attempt at humor he may have made. It's as if he can't decide whether he'd like to deliver laughs or a heart-warmmessage. Furthermore, the plot is too thinly spun to ade-

quately support the storyline between Donna and Ted, so the film also fails as a romantic comedy.

As if to counteract the obscenely cliché filled screenplay, Barreto packs "A View from the Top" full of big names such as Gwyneth Paltrow, Mike Myers and Candice Bergen. Unfortunately, neither Paltrow's superstar status nor Myers' humor can revive this film.

In her role as Donna, Paltrow attempts to shed her characteristic grace and



Donna Jensen (Gwyneth Paltrow) has big dreams, but a reunion with her love interest Ted (Mark Ruffalo) forces her to reconsider her airline career plans.

poise to don pastel mini-skirts and bright pink lipstick. However, she is unconvincing as a tacky, working-class girl, and her outrageous outfits provoke the only laughs of her performance. In addition, Paltrow's wistful looks and teary-eyed endeavors to appear emotionally torn are exaggerated and seem out of place in the context of such a triv-

Myers' performance is equally disappointing. His initial appearance as the lazy-eyed flight-school instructor presents a glimmer of hope; however, by the end of the film even Meyers' jokes are far too repetitive to be funny.

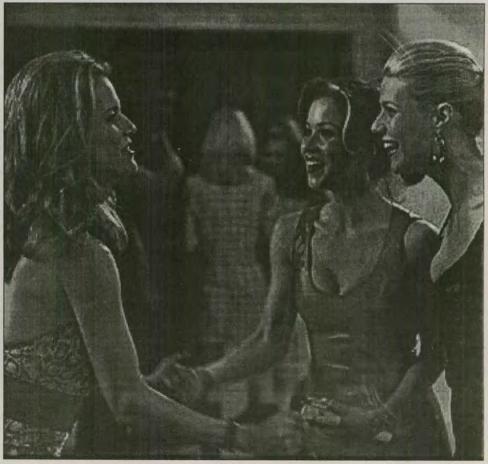
Other recognizable actors advertised in previews, such as Rob Lowe and Kelly Preston, almost appear more onscreen when their names roll during the closing credits than when their faces appear during the actual film.

On a more positive note, at a mere 87 minutes, "A View from the Top" is minimally time consuming. In addition, it's so intellectually cushy that it might be just what mentally frustrated college students need in the wake of end-ofsemester stresses. However, under any other conditions, seeing "A View from the Top" should plummet straight to the bottom of all priority lists.

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Christina Applegate and Gwyneth Paltrow get down and dirty in the air, but stoop too low for laughs in the dumbed-down comedy.



Kelly Preston, Christina Applegate and Gwyneth Paltrow prance around in tasteless ensembles and bright makeup as they chase their dreams.

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TAKE TWO

Incurable insanity: Drug culture in Hollywood

Kate: Well, kids, we were hoping to bring you our normal wholesome movie review. However, we were not willing to watch any of the movies showing at Movies 14.

Maria: At the risk of seeming pretentious because we like foreign movies, we

decided to write an article on the wondrous evolution of illegal substances in movies in anticipation of "City of God." Although we have not seen the critically acclaimed film debut of Brazilian director Fernando Meirelles' movie that deals with poverty and the drug trade in Rio de Janeiro, we would still like to address its significance in the portrayal of drugs and drug culture in the history of



Kate Williams Maria Smith

Take Two

K: Plus nothing will get a college student to read an article faster than the word "drug" in the title.

motion pictures.

To understand just how much the portrayal of drug culture has changed since the advent of movies, we have to go back to the beginning — the original drug culture movie. Yes, I am talking about "Reefer Madness." This "documentary" from 1936 is perhaps the most inaccurate portrayal of marijuana use known to man. It labels marijuana as a "violent narcotic" which can cause "incurable insanity."

M: Anyone with stoner friends or cable knows that people under the influence of cannabis are less likely to go on a violent rampage than eat an entire box of Cheese Nips in five minutes. But in the early days of film, accuracy was less important than scare tactics in addressing any aspect of drug culture. Even accurate portrayals showing the negative sides of drug use seem to have been strictly taboo in favor of over-exaggerated anti-narcotic hype.

K: Modern directors have abandoned the idea of marijuana as a ghastly menace, and use it as a comic tool instead. Cheech and Chong's 1978 film "Up in Smoke," featuring a van made entirely of marijuana, is a far cry from the sensationalism of the 1930s. In the last decade, however, we've seen the rise of a new genre of drug culture movies that are much darker.

M: Where the directors of the 1930s used spurious tactics to instill their message in viewers, directors such as Danny Boyle and Darren Aronofsky go the opposite direction and use genuine life experiences for much the same purpose. "Trainspotting" and "Requiem for a Dream" show the disintegration of the lives of lives of people addicted to heroin and other narcotics. Unlike "Reefer Madness," "Trainspotting" and "Requiem for a Dream" both take us inside the heads of drug users. "Trainspotting" frankly addresses heroin use as the greatest pleasure addicts have known in showing exactly how hard it is to quit using the drug, while "Requiem for a Dream" uses graphic images to depict the addict's slide into harsh reality. The shocking frankness of both films is a huge departure from what was acceptable in early days of film, with the bizarre subject material emphasized through rapid camera shots and other surreal filming techniques.

K: While there has been a tendency to look at drug use as something casual or fun, the recent spate of film detailing the

less chic side of addiction takes the focus from the perspective of drugs as recreation and focuses on the



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In Steven Soderburg's "Traffic," a Judge discovers his daughter is a heroin addict. Erika Christensen and Topher Grace portray young drug culture.

much nastier reality of life as an addict. The idea of "heroin chic" becomes a lot less appealing with images of the consequences of serious use staring you in the face. The dead baby crawling on the ceiling in "Trainspotting" removes any smidgen of coolness from heroin use. While Cheech and Chong look at drug use as a source of laughs, "Trainspotting" and "Requiem for a Dream" leave little opportunity for comedic enjoyment.

M: Drug culture movies also took a different turn in 2000 with a look at the supply side of the drug trade in Steven Soderburg's "Traffic." Although the film was arguably less successful portraying

the lives of drug users, it was an interesting foray into the national and international issues involved in drug sales. The film was a step forward in examining all sides of an issue that has often been incoherently addressed by writers and directors.

Movies revolving around the issues of drugs and drug cultures have become increasingly insightful and accurate since the genre emerged, and especially in the last few years. None of the previous films have been able to offer what "City of God" accomplishes by examining the drug trade abroad without any American perspective on the issue. The film focuses on the violence and poverty that promote and surround narcotics before they ever reach the United States. If watching the lives of drug addicts is an exposure to harsh reality, being emerged for two hours into the worst districts of Rio de Janeiro is even more so.

K: Modern movies provide a much more realistic picture of addiction and they show there is a much more honest discourse now about the issue of drug use. Directors are still using scare tactics, but they're using tactics based on what really happens. This is an example of how much more effective honesty can be in making any important point. However, it's still a Hollywood version of addiction. These actors go home and are no longer addicted. Volunteering at a homeless shelter will provide a far more realistic picture of the life of a drug addict than a movie will ever be able to do. Or, if you really don't care, go see "A View from the

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"City of God" portrays the drug trade abroad, with its violence and poverty, before the narcotics ever even reach the United States. It accomplishes a level of reality American movies could not reach.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Prior gets first shutout as Cubs top Expos 3-0 at Wrigley

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Mark Prior pitched his first major league shutout, striking out 12 and outdueling Javier Vazquez as the Chicago Cubs beat the Montreal Expos 3-0 Wednesday.

Prior (2-0) scattered four hits and walked none in the second complete game of his young

The 22-year-old right-hander retired 16 straight batters at one point. He allowed only one extra-base hit, a double by Orlando Cabrera in the seventh

Vazquez (1-1) lost despite striking out a career-high 14 in seven innings. He also walked none and gave up five hits, including a two-run homer by Damian Miller.

Prior added an insurance run in the eighth, faking a bunt and then swinging away for an RBI

Miller also had a single and a double, finishing the day 3-for-

Great things have been expected of Prior since the Cubs picked him second overall in the 2001 draft.

And he didn't disappoint Wednesday.

He set the tone with his first batter, needing only three pitches to strike out Endy Chavez. He gave up a single to left to Henry Mateo, then shut the Expos down tight.

He was perfect through the next 5 1/3 innings, retiring 16 straight. Prior struck out seven during that stretch, and the Expos could get only two balls out of the infield. The closest they came to a hit was Michael Barrett's chopper down the third base line in the third.

But umpires ruled that the ball had bounced foul before it reached third base, and Barrett went back to the plate. He wound up hitting a fly ball to

The Expos finally got another hit off of Prior in the sixth, when Chavez singled through the hole between third and short with two outs.

Prior allowed only two more hits the rest of the way, and finished the day by striking out Jeff Liefer with his 113th pitch. The crowd was chanting

"Prior! Prior!" with Liefer at

Prior now has double-digit strikeouts in seven of his 21 major league starts.

Brewers 3, Pirates 2

Geoff Jenkins wanted to prove he was all right. Todd Ritchie wanted to prove the Pittsburgh Pirates were all wrong.

Jenkins, playing for the first time since tearing up his right ankle last season, hit a two-run homer to support Ritchie's strong start and the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Pirates 3-2.

It was a comeback night for Ritchie, who ended a nearly yearlong road losing streak, and Jenkins, who spent months in rehabilitation after tearing ligaments inside and outside his dislocated ankle June 17 in Houston.

After Jenkins homered twice Double-A Tuesday for Huntsville on a rehabilitation assignment, manager Ned Yost said he wished Jenkins saved the homers for Pittsburgh. Jenkins must have listened.

Jenkins grounded out weakly in his first two at-bats, then followed Richie Sexson's single off Josh Fogg (1-1) in the sixth with a drive into the right-center field seats — his first homer since the day before getting injured.

Not only did Jenkins pick up the offense, Yost said he gave the Brewers a lift just by walking into the clubhouse.

Jenkins apparently wasn't as confident as his manager was he could do that right away.

And for Ritchie, traded by the Pirates to the White Sox in a five-player deal 16 months ago. The trade was much criticized in Chicago as Ritchie went 5-15, while the Pirates got a combined 24 wins from Fogg and Kip Wells.

Ritchie wasn't tendered a contract by the White Sox after a season in which he was 1-10 on the road, and he subsequently signed with the

It was Ritchie's first road victory in 10 decisions since beating Oakland on April 28, 2002.

Ritchie retired the first 16 batters before Jack Wilson singled and he led 3-0 when lifted, but Kenny Lofton hit a two-run



The Phillies' Placido Polanco, right, steals second base in the fourth inning as the throw from Braves' catcher Henry Blanco gets by Rafael Furcal during their game on Wednesday.

triple off reliever John Foster in ing his first start of the season, the eighth.

Marlins 3, Mets 2

Ivan Rodriguez homered and drove home the winning run with a two-out single in the bottom of the ninth inning, leading the Florida Marlins over the New York Mets.

Rodriguez made the key defensive play, too. After Armando Almanza hit Mo Vaughn with a pitch to start the ninth, pinch-runner Joe McEwing was picked off first base by Rodriguez, a perennial Gold Glove winner.

Marlins closer Braden Looper (1-0) struck out the only two batters he faced for the win.

Mike Stanton (0-1), who hadn't allowed a run in his first four appearances of the season, took the loss for the Mets.

The Marlins won after their ninth started with two quick outs. Juan Pierre extended his hitting streak to nine games with a bloop single and moved to second on Luis Castillo's sin-

Rodriguez followed with a liner to right-center. The Marlins snapped a four-game losing streak against the Mets, dating back to last season.

Jeromy Burnitz homered for the Mets.

Florida's A.J. Burnett, mak-

allowed two runs on five hits in seven innings.

Burnett was projected to be Florida's opening day starter, but he began the season on the disabled list because of tendinitis in his right elbow.

New York starter Steve Trachsel allowed one run on six hits in six innings. He allowed one run in seven innings in his only appearance against Florida last season.

Rey Sanchez, who came into the game with only three hits in 27 at-bats, drove in New York's second run with his second single of the night.

The Mets took advantage of Burnett's wildness to take a 2-1 lead in the seventh. Ty Wigginton, was hit by a pitch, then moved to second on a wild pitch, before advancing to third Burnitz's groundout. Sanchez's single put the Mets ahead.

The Marlins answered in the bottom of the inning on Castillo's two-out single. Castillo drove in Alex Gonzalez, who opened the inning with a double and advanced to third on a groundout. The hit extended Castillo's hitting streak against the Mets to 19 games.

Phillies 16, Braves 2

Greg Maddux was hit hard

for the third straight start, and Pat Burrell and Jim Thome each homered twice and drove in five runs to lead the Philadelphia Phillies over the Atlanta Braves.

Maddux (0-3) is off to his worst start since 1989, when he also lost his first three decisions for the Chicago Cubs.

Maddux was touched for 10 runs, seven earned, and 12 hits in 5 2-3 innings.

He struck out seven, but walked three and made a throwing error, a rare mistake for the Gold Glover.

The four-time Cy Young winner has now allowed 18 earned runs and 30 hits in 14 2-3 innings, leaving him with an 11.05 ERA. In his last outing, the Marlins pounded him 17-1 Saturday night.

Burrell homered twice off Maddux.

Thome hit his first two home runs for the Phillies, connecting both times off rookie reliever Joey Dawley.

Phillies starter Vicente Padilla (1-1) allowed 10 hits in seven innings, fanned nine and didn't walk a batter.

The only runs against him came on Gary Sheffield's RBI doubled in the third and Robert Fick's RBI single in the seventh.

The Phillies scored three runs in the first inning, all unearned.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Royals remain undefeated as Tigers remain winless

Associated Press

DETROI

Dee Brown hit his first career grand slam and Brent Mayne added a three-run shot as the unbeaten Kansas City Royals downed the winless Detroit Tigers 9-6 Wednesday.

The 6-0 start is the best in Royals' history.

At 0-7, Detroit became only the second team in major league history to start successive seasons with at least seven straight losses. The Tigers were 0-11 last year.

The 1962-63 New York Mets were 0-9 and 0-8 in their first two seasons.

New manager Alan Trammell's team missed a chance to bring the tying run to the plate in the ninth. Tigers star Bobby Higginson, running from first base, was hit by Carlos Pena's grounder for the final out of the game.

Jeremy Affeldt (1-0) allowed five runs, five hits and struck out six in 5 2/3 innings. Mike MacDougal pitched the ninth for his fourth save.

Yankees 2, Twins 1

Mike Mussina allowed no earned runs in eight innings to beat the Minnesota Twins for the 19th time in 21 decisions and the New York Yankees got home runs from Jorge Posada and Raul Mondesi.

Mussina (2-0) allowed one run and six hits in eight innings and improved his winning percentage against the Twins to .905—the highest for any active pitcher

against any team.

Mussina outdueled Kyle Lohse (1-1) on a crisp 40-degree night at Yankee Stadium where the ball didn't carry well to the outfield.

Lohse retired the first nine batters and didn't allow a hit out of the infield until Posada and Mondesi homered in the fifth.

That gave the Yankees 19 homers in their first eight games — one shy of the AL record, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. The Yankees set the record in 1932 and Seattle matched it five years ago. St. Louis holds the major league mark of 23 in 2000.

Indians 5, White Sox 2

Brian Anderson won his first appearance with the Indians at Jacobs Field since the 1997 World Series, leading Cleveland over the Chicago White Sox.

Only 14,841 — the smallest crowd in the Jake's 10-year history — attended in near-freezing temperatures. It was the fewest fans to see an Indians home game since Sept. 20, 1993, at Cleveland Stadium.

Anderson (2-0), who earned a save in Game 4 against Florida in the '97 Series in his first stint with the Indians, allowed two runs and seven hits in six innings

Rookie Brandon Phillips hit his first career homer off Jon Garland (0-1). Phillips added a double, stole third and scored on a short sacrifice fly to center for the Indians, whose bullpen finally did the job.

Jose Santiago pitched 1 1/3 innings and Danys Baez got five



Cleveland Indian catcher Josh Bard tags out Chicago White Sox runner D'Angelo Jimenez on a throw by center fielder Milton Bradley during their game at Jacobs Field Wednesday.

outs for his third save.

Paul Konerko homered for the White Sox, who had their winning streak stopped at four games.

Blue Jays 10, Red Sox 5

Vernon Wells hit a grand slam as the Toronto Blue Jays rallied for their fifth straight victory, beating the Boston Red Sox.

Mike Bordick doubled twice and drove in three runs for the Blue Jays, who haven't lost since dropping their first three games of the season to the New York Yankees.

Manny Ramirez extended his came from behind for the second career-high hitting streak to 22 straight game to beat the

games with a three-run homer for the Red Sox, who have lost three of four.

Ramirez's homer gave Boston a 3-0 lead in the fourth, but Toronto's Dave Berg homered off Casey Fossum (1-1) in the bottom half and the Blue Jays scored five runs in the fifth.

Toronto starter Tanyon Sturtze (2-0) won his second straight start.

Devil Rays 10, Orioles 7

Rocco Baldelli hit a tiebreaking RBI triple in the seventh inning as the Tampa Bay Devil Rays came from behind for the second Baltimore Orioles.

Tampa Bay trailed by four runs in the second inning and three in the fifth, but Baldelli's triple off Willis Roberts (0-1) gave the Devil Rays an 8-7 lead. Aubrey Huff followed with a runscoring single against B.J Ryan, and Carl Crawford added an RBI single in the eighth.

Marlon Anderson hit a threerun homer and matched a career high with four RBIs for Tampa Bay. Huff knocked in three runs.

The Devil Rays fell behind 6-0 in the second inning Tuesday before coming back for an 8-7, 10-inning win over Baltimore.

WANT TO DRAW A COMIC?

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

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NHL

Islanders upset Senators

Associated Press

OTTAW

Dave Scatchard, Alexei Yashin and Shawn Bates scored, and Garth Snow earned his first career playoff shutout to lead the New York Islanders to a stunning 3-0 victory over the top-seeded Ottawa Senators on Wednesday night in the opener of their first-round series.

One day after New York coach Peter Laviolette proclaimed his eighth-place team was better than the Presidents' Trophy-winning Senators, the Islanders backed him up.

Despite finishing 30 points behind the Senators who had 113, New York got goals from Scatchard and Yashin in the first period. Bates then scored midway through the second.

Yashin, the former Senators captain who was jeered whenever he touched the puck, gave the Ottawa fans something new to boo about at 11:35 when he scored his 10th career playoff goal.

Oilers 2, Stars 1

Ryan Smyth popped a short-handed goal between Marty Turco's legs, and Shawn Horcoff beat the record-setting goaltender's glove on a 2-on-1 break, sending eighth-seeded Edmonton past top-seeded Dallas in Game 1.

Turco turned away seven first-period shots and was bolstered by a 1-0 lead on a power-play goal by Mike Modano.

Then Turco allowed two goals within a 3:48 span early in the second period and Dallas never recovered. A spurt of penalties in the third left the Stars down at least one man the final 4:06, draining their comeback hopes.

Edmonton's Tommy Salo stopped 20 shots to earn just his fourth win in 16 playoff games. Turco made 21 saves in his playoff debut.

The Stars and Oilers are meeting in the playoffs for the sixth time in seven years.

Maple Leafs 5, Flyers 3

Mikael Renberg scored a power-play goal with 5:39 left, leading Toronto over the Philadelphia in the Eastern Conference quarterfinals series open-

The Flyers outshot the Leafs 31-15 but Toronto scored four goals on its first 13 attempts against Roman Cechmanek. Alexander Mogilny had three goals, for his first playoff hat trick, and Tie Domi also scored for the Leafs.

Ed Belfour made 28 saves for Toronto, which has won four straight first-round series.

Eric Desjardins, Donald Brashear and Eric Weinrich scored for Philadelphia, which has been eliminated in the opening round four of the last five years. That trio scored only 18 regular-season goals.

Devils 2, Bruins 1

Jamie Langenbrunner scored twice and Martin Brodeur had 26 saves to lead New Jersey over Boston in the opener of their first-round playoff series.

Bryan Berard scored for the Bruins in the series that matches teams coming off embarrassing first-round losses last year.

There were plenty of hard hits, and both teams played with a chippiness that could make this an interesting series.

NBA

'Bullets' lose on anniversary

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Calling themselves the Bullets once more, the Washington Wizards spoiled the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the franchise's lone NBA championship by losing 87-83 Wednesday night to the Boston Celtics.

Rookie J.R. Bremer scored 20 points on 8-for-11 shooting, including the winning 3-pointer with 19.4 seconds to play. Antoine Walker scored 24 and Paul Pierce had 20 as the Celtics clinched a playoff berth and sent the Wizards closer to elimination.

Washington fell 2 1/2 games behind eighth-place Milwaukee in the East.

After Bremer's basket, the Wizards trailed 85-83, but couldn't get the ball to Michael Jordan on their final possession. Tyronn Lue missed a tough 16-foot fadeaway, and neither Kwame Brown nor Christian Laettner could get the tip.

Jordan scored 21 points for Washington.

Bucks 112, Clippers 92

Toni Kukoc scored 26 points, tying his season high, and had 10 rebounds. The Bucks reduced their magic number to one for the final playoff berth in the East: One Milwaukee victory or a Washington loss puts the Bucks into the playoffs. Milwaukee has three games to play and Washington has four.

Sam Cassell had 22 points and Gary Payton 21 for Milwaukee, which bounced back from an overtime loss at Chicago in which the Bucks led by 19.

Elton Brand scored 21 points and Corey Maggette 20 for the Clippers.

Magic 88, Raptors 82

Tracy McGrady scored 37 points and had a spectacular two-handed dunk to help the Magic snap a four-game losing streak. McGrady shot 11-of-18 from the field, including 4-of-7 from 3-point range, and was 11-of-16 at the free throw line. He surpassed 30 points for the 48th time this year.

the 48th time this year.

Coupled with Washington's loss,
Orlando's magic number for a playoff

Toronto got 15 points from Alvin Williams.

Hawks 97, Nets 92

Ira Newble hit a go-ahead 3-pointer with 1:38 left and the Hawks held off a furious rally. Shareef Abdur-Rahim added another 3-pointer late in the game to extend the margin to six, and after Jason Kidd made a layup on the other end, Atlanta's Dion Glover made a free throw for the final margin.

Jason Terry scored 24 points for the Hawks, and Abdur-Rahim added 18 points and 15 rebounds. Newble, who started in place of Glenn Robinson, finished with a season-high 16 points.

Kidd had his fourth triple-double of the season, totaling 23 points, 12 assists and 11 rebounds. The Nets lost for only the second time in eight games, but are just 16-23 on the road.

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Boston	5-3	.625	5-3	2
Toronto	4-3	.571	4-3	2.5
Tampa Bay	3-5	.375	3-5	4
Baltimore	2-5	.286	2-5	4.5
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Chicago Sox	4-4	.500	4-4	3
Cleveland	3-4	.429	3-4	3.5
Minnesota	3-5	.375	3-5	4
Detroit	0-7	.000	0-7	6.5
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Oakland	6-1	.857	6-1	
Seattle	4-3	.571	4-3	2
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Texas	2-5	.286	2-5	4
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NY Mets	4-3	.571	4-3	
Philadelphia	4-3	.571	4-3	
Montreal	4-4	.500	4-4	.5
Atlanta	3-5	.375	3-5	1.5
Florida	2-6	.250	2.6	2.5
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Houston	4-2	.667	4-2	
St. Louis	4-2	.667	4-2	
Chicago Cubs	5-3	.625	5-3	
Pittsburgh	5-3	.625	5-3	
Cincinnati	3-4	.429	3-4	2.5
Milwaukee	2-6	.250	2-6	3
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San Francisco	8-1	.889	8-1	
Colorado	4-3	.571	4-3	3
Los Angeles	5-5	.500	5-5	3.5
San Diego	4-6	.400	4-6	4.5
Arizona	2-7	.222	2-7	6

USILA Mens Lacrosse Poll

	team	record
1	Johns Hopkins (9)	6-1
2	Princeton	6-2
3	Georgetown (1)	7-0
4	Syracuse	6-2
5	Maryland	7-1
6	Virginia	6-2
7	Massachusetts	8-1
8	North Carolina	5-4
9	Towson	4-3
10	Rutgers	8-2
11	Cornell	6-2
12	Duke	7-4
13	Loyola	5-3
14	Ohio State	5-2
15	Navy	4-5
16	Hofstra	5-4
17	Bucknell	7-2
	UMBC	4-3
19	Yale	6-2
20	Villanova	7-2

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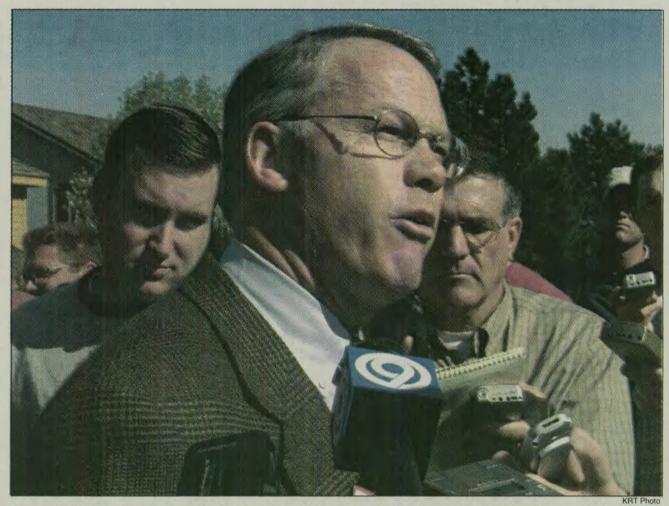
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NBA

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL



Former University Kansas Athletic Director Al Bohl is surrounded by the media outside his home in Lawrence, Kansas Wednesday. Bohl was allegedly fired as a result of past conflicts with basketball coach Roy Williams.

Kansas fires athletic director Bohl

Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. The University of Kansas fired athletic director Al Bohl on Wednesday, and he said basketball coach Roy Williams was behind it.

"I believe the Kansas basketball coach had the power to hold his athletics director in his hand like a dove," Bohl said. "And he had a choice to either crush me with his power of influence or let me fly with my vision for a better, total program. He chose to crush

Bohl has had numerous clashes with the popular Williams, whose Jayhawks

lost to Syracuse in the national championship game Monday night. Bohl was hired in 2001 to replace longtime athletic director Bob Frederick, a close friend of Williams.

Williams is expected to be a leading contender for the coaching job at North Carolina, his alma mater. Williams turned down the position three years ago, but he has faced frequent questions about the opening since Matt Doherty resigned.

Kansas Chancellor Robert Hemenway denied that he fired Bohl to convince Williams to stay.

Bohl, however, is con-

vinced that the decision to remove him was made by Williams, not Hemenway.

"It is bad when a basketball coach can have the ability to hire and fire someone," Bohl said. "There's no question I have been beaten up malicious-

Williams said Bohl tried "extremely hard," but he acknowledged that the two had their differences.

Hemenway said North Carolina athletic director Dick Baddour contacted him about speaking with Williams.

Williams has led the Jayhawks to four Final Four appearances in his 15

Hemenway appointed A. Drue Jennings, a Kansas graduate, former football player and the former chief executive of Kansas City Power & Light, to take over as interim athletic director.

"On the basis of these conversations and my own evaluation of the situation, I came to the conclusion a change of leadership was needed at this time,' Hemenway said, adding that he made the decision before the end of the basketball season.

During a pep rally at the Final Four in New Orleans, Bohl was booed by Kansas fans.

IN BRIEF

Court rejects Burk's request to permit protesters

A federal appeals court rejected Martha Burk's emergency request to allow protesters outside the front gate of Augusta National Golf Club.

The ruling Wednesday by the U.S. 11th Circuit Court of Appeals came just hours before the Masters was scheduled to begin Thursday morn-

ing.
Burk, who heads the National Council of Women's Organizations, plans to protest Augusta National's all-male membership during the third round Saturday.

She wanted to place picketers at the front gate of the exclusive club, but Sheriff Ronald Strength would only approve a site a half-mile away. He said it was unsafe to gather in front of the club because of heavy congestion during the golf tourna-

The three-judge panel refused to grant Burk's emergency request to block Monday's ruling by U.S. District Judge Dudley H. Bowen Jr.

Bowen upheld the city ordinance granting Strength the power to regulate protests and also approved the sheriff's application of the law in handling Burk's request.

Burk said her group had no other legal means to overturn the decision before Saturday, though it will continue to fight the constitutionality of the city ordinance in court.

Burk wanted to post 24 demonstrators outside the front gate of Augusta National and 200 more across the

She believed that would be the most effective way to demonstrate against Augusta National, which said again Wednesday that it has no timetable to admit a female member.

In any event, she said her group would not do anything illegal at Saturday's gathering.

Hall of Fame cancels 'Bull **Durham' celebration**

Stung by anti-war criticism from

Tim Robbins and Susan Sarandon, the baseball Hall of Fame has canceled a 15th anniversary celebration of the film "Bull Durham" that was to feature the co-stars Hall president Dale Petroskey sent

a letter to Robbins and Sarandon this week, saying the festivities April 26-27 at Cooperstown, N.Y., had been called off because of their remarks.

Petroskey, a former White House assistant press secretary under Ronald Reagan, said recent comments by the actors "ultimately could put our troops in even more danger.'

Reached Wednesday night, Robbins said he was "dismayed" by the decision. He responded with a letter he planned to send to Petroskey, telling him: "You belong with the cowards and ideologues in a hall of infamy

and shame. The weekend affair, planned months ago, was also to feature "Bull Durham" actor Robert Wuhl and Ron Shelton, who wrote and directed the



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MLB

Rocker may go to Tampa

"He wasn't totally

pleased with his effort,

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enough to warrant an

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Lou Piniella

Devil Rays manager

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.

John Rocker wants back into baseball and could find a new home with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

The former Atlanta, Cleveland and Texas reliever worked out Wednesday at Tropicana Field and was impressive enough that Devil Rays manager Lou

Piniella feels it would be worth signing Rocker to a minor league contract and giving him a chance to work his way up to the majors.

"He's chomping at the bit to get back in baseball and get back to the big leagues," Piniella said, adding that Rocker would be assigned to Triple-A Durham if he does sign

with Tampa Bay. "I think it would be a good gamble."

Piniella and Devil Rays general manager Chuck LaMar said Rocker — whose career has plummeted since a Sports Illustrated article before the 2000 season in which he made disparaging remarks about gays, minorities and others — proved that he's healthy.

"He threw the ball OK," Piniella said.
"He wasn't totally pleased with his effort, but I think he showed enough to warrant an opportunity."

LaMar said he's had some discussions with Rocker's agent, Joe Sambito, but

wouldn't speculate on whether the pitcher will be signed. LaMar said a couple of other teams had looked at Rocker, too.

Rocker, who returned to Atlanta after the workout, is 13-22 with 88 saves in 278 major league appearances with the Braves, Indians and Rangers.

The 28-year-old left-hander was released by Texas in October after going 2-3 with a 6.66 ERA and one save in 30

appearances with the Rangers last season. He also was 1-0 in six games at Triple-A Oklahoma and 0-1 with a 13.50 ERA in three rehab outings with Double-A Tulsa.

Rocker spent time on the disabled list with left shoulder and neck pain in July. He reported recurring pain following his rehab assignment at

Tulsa in August and did not pitch again.

LaMar, who was in the Braves' front office when Rocker signed with Atlanta, said he talked to Rocker about the problems the pitcher has had in the past and made it clear that the Devil Rays would expect "professionalism" from him both on and off the field.

Piniella said he didn't have a problem with taking in a player with Rocker's background.

"When I look at a player, I don't look in the past. I look at the present and the future," the manager said. "I think he's learned from those things."

NASCAR

Cheever opts out of Indy

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Eddie Cheever Jr., the 1998 winner of the Indianapolis 500, announced Wednesday that he will not drive in this year's race — although his team will enter at least one car.

His decision ends a streak of 13 consecutive starts at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, the longest among active drivers. Cheever, 45, was careful not to say he was retiring, instead calling it a "self-imposed sabbatical."

"I'm not sure what I'm going to do in the future," he said in a statement released by Red Bull Racing. "All I know right now is that I have too much going on."

Cheever was unavailable for comment Wednesday because he was traveling to England, and no replacement was announced for his No. 51

He cited increasing travel, which included seven trips to Europe this winter, as much of the reason for his announcement. He said he had not had much time to prepare for the race.

Cheever lives in Phoenix but was born and raised in Rome and has traveled there more frequently since he and John Menard, another IRL team owner, purchased TWR Engines, an engine-design company based in England.

Cheever already had announced a cutback in the number of races he would drive this season but had said he would compete at Indianapolis.

But just because Cheever is not in the driver's seat does not mean he will not have a stake in the race on Indianapolis' 2 1/2-mile oval.

His team's No. 52 car will be driven by Buddy Rice.

"I'm not certain about the future," Cheever said. "Right now, I'm concentrating on running the team and on the acquisition of TWR Engines."

He has been an owner or co-owner of his car since 1996, when he was one of the better-known drivers who opted to stay with the Indy Racing League following its split from CART. His gregarious demeanor made him one of the series' fan favorites.

Cheever shares the series record for most consecutive starts, 69, with Buddy Lazier, the 1996 Indy 500 winner. Cheever's July 2001 victory at Kansas Speedway was only the second for an Infiniti-powered car.

Cheever qualified for his first Indianapolis 500 in 1990, when he drove for Chip Ganassi's team. He was named Rookie of the Year but never won a CART race.

From 1978-89, Cheever drove in 132 Formula 1 races — the most of any American driver — but without a victory. His first win came in a rainshortened race at Orlando, Fla., during the 1996-97 season.

Cheever won one race each of the next four years, his biggest being in 1998 at Indianapolis.

Cheever also drove in Formula 2 from 1976-77 and Formula 3 in 1975 as a teammate of 1985 Indy 500 winner Danny Sullivan.



What makes Colin Fanel tick?

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4213/IRST235:01 Irish American Experience (Dolan)

The Irish are one of the great success stories in American history. They have moved from the shantytowns of urban America to the boardrooms of Wall Street, leaving a mark on politics, literature, religion, and the labor movement. The first part of the course examines the history of modern Ireland. After studying the famine of the 1840s the course will turn to emigration and the great themes of Irish American history — politics, literature, religion and labor.

4321/IRST326B:01 Irish History I (Smyth)

This course explores the main themes in Irish history from the plantation of Ulster, in the early seventeenth century, to the rebellion of 1798. Attention focuses on plantation, colonization and religious conflict; the Cromwellian episode, the Williamite war, the anti-Catholic penal laws and the rise of the Protestant ascendancy.

4451/IRST381:01 Nineteenth-Century Ireland (Mac Sulbhne)
Drawing on monographs and general studies, this course invites students to consider how different social groups experienced the profound changes that transformed nineteenth-century Ireland. Although the course traces political developments, it pays equal attention to socioeconomic and cultural issues, including the shift from high fertility to sexual restraint; patterns of emigration, consumption and social unrest; improvements in education and literacy; linguistic change; changing devotional practices and cultural 'revival' in the late 1800s.

ANTHROPOLOGY

5252/IRST228:01 Irish and American Tap Dance (McKenna)
This course teaches a range of fundamental American tap steps in addition to at least two finished tap
dance pieces set to CD music. Several hard show Irish tap dances will be taught and depending on the
ability of the students, several other completed dances are possible. Although the class is intended for
students who have never learned tap, both elementary and middle range students have found the
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LITERATURE

4665/IRST302:01 Crime in the Nineteenth Century Novel (O'Brien)

Using the closely related victorian concepts of crime and progress as a frame for classroom debate and analysis, this course focuses on social issues such as poverty, women's suffrage, colonization, an the nascent idea of human rights. Readings will include works by Dickens, Wilde, Eliot, Davitt, Yeats, and Conan Doyle. Course work will include several brief essays and a consecutive suffered to the course work will include several brief essays and a consecutive suffered to the course work will include several brief essays and a consecutive suffered to the course work will include several brief essays and a consecutive suffered to the course work will include several brief essays.

5074/1RST305:01 Irish Poetry in Translation (McKibben)
This course examines poetry written in Irish from the late nineteenth century. Students will work on close reading using English translations, with Irish texts given in facing text. No previous knowledge or Irish is required. Requirements will include response papers, two short essays, and one longer essays.

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This course examines aspects of the corpus of 18th century poetry in the Irish language in the light of Daniel Corkery's Hidden Ireland (1924), a classic analysis of the literature and society of Irish-speaking Munster, and subsequent reassessments of that analysis. Selections from the corpus of poetry will be taken from Ó Tuama and Kinsella, An Duanaire: poems of the dispossessed (1981).

6142/IRST371:01 Modern British and Irish Drama (McIntosh)
This course examines the violent fusion of politics and performance in British and Irish drama of the twentieth century, focusing on the ways that Iroland's struggle for Home Rule shaped the Anglo-Irish dramatic tradition. Students will read popular melodramas by Dion Bouclault and J. W. Whitbread and then study the increasingly ambivalent responses of subsequent dramatists to the romanticization of Iroland's social and publical crises.

5463/IRST373A:01 Writing and Politics in Northern Ireland (Burgess)
This course explores the politics of culture, and the cultures of politics, in the North of Ireland during the twentieth century. Using a multiplicity of genres - drama, fiction, poetry, film, painting and documentary material - it unravels the history behind partition, the causes of the Troubles, and the nature of the conflict. Certain key themes stretch through the semester's work. Among these are: sectarianism; the relationship between violence and culture; borders; identity; issues of social and political justice.

5460/IRST382:01 Twentleth-Century Irish Literature (Wallace)
This course explores the cultural and political factors which have shaped Ireland's extraordinary
literary achievement, paying particular attention to decolonization and the Northern Troubles. We will
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5293/IRST429:01 Postcolonial Literature: A Comparative Introduction (Wilson)
This course investigates the development of literatures from the former colonies of various empires,
but principally the British and French. Authors may Include Chinua Achebe, Mariama Ba, Buchi
Emecheta, Anita Desai, Bessie Head, George Lamming, Salman Rushdle, Wole Soyinka, Vikram
Chandra, Derek Walcott, and Thich Nhat Hanh, among others. Theorists include Frantz Fanon, Edward
Sald, Gayatri Spivak, Ngugi wa Thiongʻo.

6017/IRST471:01 Leaving the Empire: Irish Writing, 1900-1930 (Deane)
This course concentrates on the critique of the British Empire and of Empire as such as it is manifested in the work of some of the best-known Irish writers of the period. The fiction of Joyce (Including Ulysses), a selection of poems from the different phases of Yeats's career, plays and Prefaces (essays) by Shaw and fiction and dramp by Berkett will constitute the soon sendent.

5355/IRST471D:01 Modern Irish Drama (Harris)

This course concerns both the drama produced by the playwrights of the Irish literary renaissance — Yeats, Synge, Gregory, and O'Casey — and the political struggle for Irish independence that was taking place at the same time. Students read the texts of the plays alongside the reviews they generated and the debates that were taking place at the time in the nationalist press. Particular attention is paid to the relationship between national and sexual politics, and how representations of gender — and audience responses to them — shaped it.

5358/IRST475:01 Angio-Irlsh Gothic (Walton)
This course is an attempt to interpret the uses of the uncanny and the supernatural in Angio-Irish
fiction of the nineteenth century. Readings will include ghost stories as well as Gothic and 'Rig Pinuse
fiction (some of it in English disguise). Burke's treatise on the Sublime will serve as prologue. James
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written Irish, including the basic principles of grammar and sentence structure, as well as core vocabulary. Emphasis is placed on the application of these principles in every-day situations. Beginning Irish II places more emphasis on reading simple texts and Intermediate Irish includes reading literary works.

PGA

Tormented by Tiger, Els chooses new approach for Masters

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga.

"If you start playing

Tiger on Thursday from

the first tee, that's the

wrong way to go about it.

You're going to beat

yourself up and not play

your normal game."

Ernie Els

golfer

It's hard to imagine Ernie Els getting worked up about anything. Hey, he's the Big Easy, the guy with the sleepy eyes, the comfortable grin, the soothing demeanor

Truth is, the South African has been tormented by his pursuit of Tiger Woods, allowing it

to affect every aspect of his game.

jokes Els about the "little guy" on his shoulder, the demon who tells him to go for shots that have little chance working, who keeps whisper-ing "Tiger, Tiger, Tiger in his ear.

"If you start playing Tiger on Thursday from the first tee, that's the wrong way to go about it," said Els, expected to be one of Woods' main challengers at the Masters after taking two weeks off to heal a sore wrist. "You're going to beat yourself up and not play your normal game."

A year ago at Augusta National, Els let his preoccupation with Woods ruin any chance of winning the tournament.

Woods was leading on Sunday when Els went to No. 13, hoping to take a big chunk out of the deficit with an eagle on the par-5 hole. He pulled out a 3-wood and tried to steer his tee shot around trees hugging the left side of the dogleg.

Instead, Els yanked the ball into the woods. To make things worse, he tried two impossible shots from the foliage, putting them both in Rae's Creek. He wound up taking a triple-bogey

"I was trying to really get it around the corner and have a shot at eagle and all that stuff," Els said. "But after the tee shot, I was dead. And then I just made mistake after mistake.

After that first mistake, I was trying to rectify it as quickly as I could Subsequently, I just got myself deeper in a hole.

a psychology degree and a couch to figure out why he is so preoccupied with Woods.

At age 24, Els won the first of two U.S. Open titles. He was the rising star in the world of golf: imposing in size (6-foot-3, 200 pounds), dashing in looks and immensely talented.

He never really got a chance to enjoy his reign. In 1997, Woods signaled the start of a new era with a 12-stroke victory at the Masters. Since then, this sport has been Tiger's World — everyone else just has a tee time.

Over the years, Els has finished second to Woods in six tournaments around the world. more than anyone else. Two of those came in 2000, when Woods romped to recordbreaking victories at the U.S. Open and British Open and

went on to win four straight majors, the first player to do that in the modern era. Els wondered if he would ever get another chance.

My focus wasn't channeled in the right direction," he said. "It was more channeled toward players instead of the golf course and the shots that I have to play.'

Els brought in famed coach David Leadbetter to work on

his swing and, just as important, Belgian psychologist Jos Vanstiphout to work on his psyche.

"The first thing I told him was to forget about Tiger," Vanstiphout said. "Tiger wasn't the issue. He was

the issue. Instead of changing the person, you have to change the way the person thinks."

So far this year, the results are evident.

While Woods was recovering from knee surgery, Els became the first player in 14 years to win the first two PGA Tour events of the season. He won twice more against good fields in Australia.

Then came a reality check. Els and Woods went mano-amano at Bay Hill in the third round. It wasn't really a fair fight - Els had the sore wrist, Woods had a four-shot lead but the world's best player solidified his spot by finishing the day with a 10-stroke lead. By the end of the next day, Woods was 19 shots ahead.

Els, it seems, is still a work in

progress.

"Whenever Tiger gets into a tournament, pow!" Vanstiphout said. "There's five times more press, more security, more attention. Ernie has got to learn to live with it, and he

Make no mistake, though: Els is learning.

With his career threatening to drift off course last summer,

> he came through with his third major victory at the British Open. Woods wasn't a lactor, shooting a wind-swept on Saturday, but Els still

had to over-

Ernie Els golfer

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come his mental demons. He had a big lead on the back nine until a double-bogey on 16 left him one stroke behind. It's not farfetched to say Els was at

a crossroads. He had a remarkable birdie at 17, then parred the final hole of regulation to force a four-man playoff. After four extra holes, only Els and Thomas Levet were left. Els parred the next hole to claim the Claret Jug.

"The British was definitely the start of maybe the resurgence of my golf game," Els said. "If I didn't get through that tournament, if I didn't win that tournament, I think I would have been a different player right now."



Ernie Els kisses his trophy after winning the 2002 British Open at Muirfield. South Africa's Els is preparing to contend with Tiger Woods in the Masters in Augusta, Ga.

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MLB

Kent's RBI bails out Miller's error as Astros edge Reds 4-3

Associated Press

HOUSTON

After an embarrassing error, Wade Miller just wanted to disappear.

Jeff Kent and the rest of his Houston teammates bailed him out.

Miller's throwing error to an uncovered third base allowed three runs to score, but Kent's tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the seventh inning sent the Astros to a 4-3 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Wednesday night.

"I wanted to dig a hole behind the mound and crawl in and hope no one would see me," Miller said. "I thought my best option was to throw to third base, but I had other options. I chose the wrong one."

The Astros pulled it out anyway by loading the bases in the seventh against Josias Manzanillo (0-2) on singles by Craig Biggio, Jose Vizcaino and Jeff Bagwell. Gabe White struck out Lance Berkman before John Riedling came on to pitch to Kent.

The 2000 NL MVP hit a deep fly to center field, scoring Biggio easily with the go-ahead run.

"I was trying to simplify the game a little bit," Kent said. "You just try to put one out there. That's all it was."

Billy Wagner worked the ninth for his second save. He walked the first two batters before retiring Jason LaRue, Felipe Lopez and Barry Larkin to end it.

Brad Lidge (1-0), who replaced Miller in the seventh, went two scoreless innings for his second major league victory.

"Wade pitched a good game and gave us a chance to win," Astros manager Jimy Williams said. "You are always trying to do the right thing and sometimes it doesn't work out. It wasn't from a lack of effort."

The Reds were trailing 3-0 in the fifth inning when Miller's mistake allowed them to tie it.

After striking out the first two batters, Miller hit LaRue with a pitch, walked pitcher Jimmy Anderson and hit Larkin with a pitch to load the bases

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Aaron Boone then hit a slow roller toward third and Miller threw without noticing that third baseman Morgan Ensberg also was trying to field the ball instead of covering the bag.

Miller struck out Adam Dunn for the third time to end the inning.

Reds manager Bob Boone agonized over bobbled balls by his own defense.

"When you are playing against Miller, you have to make those plays, you can't be giving them extra outs and extra bases," he said. "When you don't hit, it means you've got to do some work or you've got to change some players.

Rockles 9, Cardinals 4

Larry Walker and Preston Wilson each drove in three runs, and the Colorado Rockies built a big early lead Wednesday night in a 9-4 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

Wilson and Bobby Estalella each hit two-run homers as Colorado opened a 9-0 lead after three innings

Nelson Cruz (2-0), making his second straight start because of injuries to Denny Neagle and Denny Stark, went six-plus innings for the Rockies, allowing two runs and five hits before he was ejected.

Cruz was tossed in the seventh by plate umpire Mike DiMuro after hitting Tino Martinez with a pitch. Cruz plunked Jim Edmonds earlier, and DiMuro issued a warning to both benches after Brett Tomko threw a pitch behind Todd Helton in the third.

Tomko (0-1) gave up nine runs on nine hits in six innings. Edgar Renteria hit a three-run double for St. Louis, and Scott Rolen added a solo homer.

The Rockies got to Tomko early, scoring four runs in the first inning and five in the third.

Helton and Walker had back-to-back RBI doubles in the first, and Wilson followed with a 445-foot homer to right-center, his first of the season.

Jay Payton led off the third with a single and Helton walked. Walker, a three-time NL batting champion who entered hitting just .172, drove a two-run triple to right-center. Wilson hit an RBI double over the head of left fielder Albert Pujols, and Estalella hit his third homer of the season.

COLLEGE HOCKEY

Talented Cornell top seed in Frozen Four

Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y.

Minnesota and Michigan have the history, but Cornell might have something better — an edge in talent.

That was the consensus Wednesday, a day before the NCAA Frozen Four hockey championship was set to begin with top-seeded Cornell playing New Hampshire. Defending champion Minnesota will face Michigan in the other semifinal.

The Golden Gophers and the Wolverines have combined to win 12 championships in the tournament, which began in 1948. Yet both are taking a back seat to a

Cornell team that is eager to complete an impressive season.

"They're the No. 1 seed in this tournament, and they deserve to be," Michigan coach Red Berenson said.

The Big Red are 30-4-1, and they're unbeaten in 15 games (14-0-1). They have one of the country's best defenses. Leading the way is sophomore goaltender David LeNeveu, who has an NCAA-best 1.14 goalsagainst average and nine shutouts.

Cornell also has the advantage in experience, with seven seniors, and in size, led by rugged defenseman Doug Murray (6-foot-3, 240 pounds)

and two-way forward Stephen Baby (6-5, 235).

That adds up to Cornell being the team to beat, even if the school is making its first Frozen Four appearance since 1980.

"I think it's our tournament to win," Murray said. "We put pressure on ourselves to win."

New Hampshire coach Dick Umile isn't counting his Wildcats out, but he certainly respects his opponent.

"I think both teams are very, very similar. But we don't have the monsters that they have out

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N e w Hampshire (27-7-6)

will play without leading scorer Lanny Gare, who dislocated his right shoulder in the Wildcats' quarterfinal victory over Boston University.

"Obviously, if he was able to play it would be a bonus for us," Umile said. "He's a kid who's done a lot for the program."

New Hampshire is making its fourth final four trip in six years; last season the Wildcats eliminated Cornell in the quarterfinals

Like Cornell, the Wildcats are known for their defensive play. They're led by junior Mike Ayers, whose 2.14 goalsagainst average is second to LeNeveu. Overall, their defense ranks third in the nation.

The other semifinal features teams trying to outdo each other for the label of underdog; both Michigan and Minnesota consider themselves fortunate to have made it this far.

"Everyone else has made us underdogs; we like that role," Michigan captain Jed Ortmeyer said.

Minnesota captain Grant Potulny responded by saying: "I don't even know if you can call a favorite in this game."

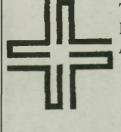
Minnesota (26-8-9) has the tournament's most potent offense, averaging 4.2 goals a game — third in the nation.

The Gophers are led by freshman Thomas Vanek, who had 29 goals and 58 points. They also possess an offensive-minded defensive corps, featuring Keith Ballard and Paul Martin, who have combined for 21 goals and 80 points.

Minnesota's weakness might be in goal, where sophomores Travis Weber and Justin Johnson have combined for a 2.78 GAA, which ranks 17th in the nation — the worst among the final four teams.

"He's won some big games over the course of this year," Minnesota coach Don Lucia said. "I told him today, 'Here's your chance. You don't have to be better than the other guy, you just have to stop one more."

Michigan (30-9-3) became just the 14th school to make three straight final four appearances. But the Wolverines haven't won a semifinal game since 1998, when they won a tournament-record ninth title.



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NBA

Shaq's practice absence draws Jackson's ire

Associated Press

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. Shaquille O'Neal skipped practice Wednesday, and coach Phil Jackson was not satisfied with his excuse

"He called, although he didn't call a number that reached any of us," Jackson said after the rest of the Los Angeles Lakers held a light workout and watched film in preparation for Thursday night's game against the rival Sacramento Kings.

"He didn't call, he had someone call for him," Jackson said. "Flat tire is what he said. That's all I know.'

A flat tire in the O'Neal household would not seem to be an insurmountable obstacle. The 7foot center is known to have a

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Phil Jackson

Lakers' coach

vast supply of automotive options in his oversized garage - far more than a dozen vehicles, according to one team employee's estimate.

"It bothers me, yeah," Jackson said.

At the same time, Jackson inferred that he would not make a big issue of O'Neal playing hooky, saying the team would move on and concentrate on the task of trying to become the first team in nearly four decades to win four consecutive NBA titles.

With four games remaining, the Lakers are in sixth place in the Western Conference and have a chance to improve their playoff seeding if they finish 4-

Portland, fighting it out with Minnesota for the No. 4 spot in the conference, had its lead over the Lakers slip to one game after the Blazers lost to San Antonio 84-79 Wednesday night.

The Lakers will play at Portland on Sunday before finishing the season against the Nuggets and Warriors.

First, though, come the Kings, who have defeated the Lakers twice this season.

It will be the last regularly scheduled installment of the league's best rivalry, one that has included a preseason fight between Rick Fox and Doug

Christie, a Christmas night victory by the Kings at the Staples Center, and a game last month in Sacramento in which O'Neal scored his 20,000th career point, only to find an obscene message written on the game ball when the Kings presented it

'They don't need to win this ballgame, they've sewn up the Pacific Division," Jackson said. "If we want to move up in the standings, it's a must-game for us to win. Any loss now pretty much eliminates our chances of moving up to a different brack-

At practice, Jackson had planned to emphasize a few offensive themes that he felt the Lakers were lacking the last time they played the Kings. But O'Neal's absence deprived

Jackson of a big part of his intended audience.

O'Neal has been playing his best ball of the season lately, notwithstanding his 14point output

Tuesday night against the Dallas Mavericks and their zone defense

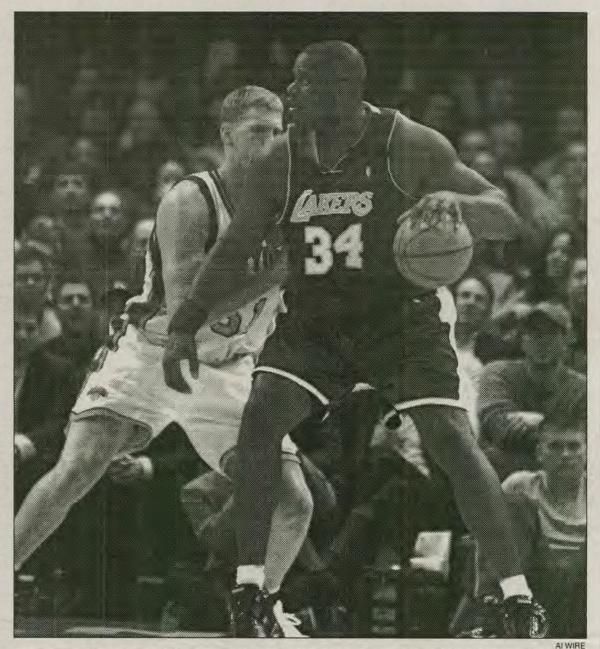
He always plays well against the Kings, relishing the opportunity to dominate Vlade Divac a center O'Neal often proclaims is the league's biggest flopper.

Jackson knows O'Neal well enough to be confident his center will be ready at tipoff, yet that didn't mitigate the bothersome nature of his blowing off

Jackson has seen his team meander through this season with less focus than they've had the two previous times they defended the title. Only 3 1/2 months ago they were 11-19, but the Lakers have turned things around to such an extent that they've won nine of their

But just when things were seemingly going so smoothly, Shaq's flat tire put an unneeded bump in the road.

Something we wanted to do as a team was to kind of push ourselves here and create a playoff atmosphere for ourselves," Jackson said, "so it's a little bit of a setback for us."



Los Angeles Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal backs down a New York Knicks opponent during a game this season. O'Neal missed practice Wednesday because of a flat tire, his coach said.

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NBA

Spurs hold off Blazers to win 10th in a row

♦ Win ensures San **Antonio share of Midwest Division** lead with Dallas

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO

Neither Tim Duncan nor Rasheed Wallace had much of a game on offense in Wednesday night's matchup between Portland and San Antonio. That was because both played so well against each other on

Duncan's teammates, however, outperformed Wallace's, enabling the Spurs to cling to a 84-79 win in the face of a strong second-half comeback by the Trail Blazers.

The victory was San Antonio's 10th straight, and ensured the Spurs would at least retain the best record in the league and a share of the Midwest Division lead with Dallas. The Spurs and the Mavericks each began the day at 57-20, best in the NBA.

Stephen Jackson made a pair of free throws and Tony Parker added one in the game's waning monents to clinch the win for the Spurs, who saw a 15point advantage in the first half shrink to two by the final

Duncan, defended physically by Wallace for most of the night, had trouble getting close to his comfort zone near the basket. He was just 3-for-14 shots for 11 points, less than half his season average.

"It's good to be able to have a game like this tonight and the team still find a way to win," Duncan said.

Wallace, averaging nearly 19 points, was held to eight on 4for-16 shooting.

"They both canceled each other out," said Portland guard Bonzi Wells. "Rasheed guarding Tim, Tim guarding Rasheed. That's just two big guys having a big game [on defense].

The Trail Blazers, trailing by 12 at the half, trimmed San Antonio's lead to 81-79 on two free throws by Wells with 1:28 left. But Portland's rally stalled as the team missed its final three shots.

Manu Ginobili's 17 points off the bench led six Spurs in double figures. Parker added 15 and Bruce Bowen 13, all in the first half. Duncan led all rebounders with 11.

Ginobili also had two key offensive rebounds in the final 1:04 to help the Spurs run time off the clock.

He passed the second rebound to Jackson, who was fouled by Derek Anderson with 10.6 seconds left and made both.

"I don't play 40 minutes like Tim and Tony — I'm fresh," said Ginobili. "The best thing I can give the Spurs is energy.'

Jazz 94, Rockets 73

The Utah Jazz picked the right time to end a three-game losing streak.

Getting ready to play the top three teams in the Western Conference and coming off one of its worst losses of the season, Utah took advantage of some poor shooting and beat the struggling Houston Rockets.

"It was huge because we're heading into a tough schedule and you want to get that feeling of winning back before we play

these tough teams," said Matt Harpring, who led the Jazz with 23 points and eight rebounds. "We've lost some games that we should have won but that happens. We broke out of it and

we're ready to move on."
Andrei Kirilenko added 15 points and three blocks, and Karl Malone had 10 points and seven rebounds in three quarters as the Jazz recovered from

an embarrassing 128-102 loss Tuesday night at Golden State.

"We're still there. We've showed we can play with the best around," said Kirilenko, who got a few

stitches after the game for a cut he sustained when he banged his chin on the floor while diving for a loose ball in the final minute. "We're ready to fight and we will

The Rockets might not have a chance to fight much more. Houston's playoff hopes continued to drop after its fourth loss in six games.

The Rockets trail eighth-place Phoenix, a winner over Dallas, by 2 1/2 games.

Greg Ostertag, who finished with 11 rebounds, and Calbert Cheaney were the only Utah starters to play in the fourth

Utah is bound for a 20th straight postseason and can finish no worse than seventh in the Western Conference, but also will have a difficult time moving up. The Jazz close out the season against Dallas, San Antonio and Sacramento.

"We needed to get some kind of rhythm going into the play-offs," Malone said. "We're locked in at seven so we know where we're at. But we've got some things to work on.

We were right there in the thick of things, then we lost three in a row. To get a win like this is very important for us."

The Rockets, who tied the

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Yao Ming

Rockets center

franchise low in shooting percentage and points by shooting 29.5 percent in an 81-66 loss at Portland on Tuesday, nearly set even lower marks Wednesday.

The Rockets avoided new lows by going 10-for-23 and scoring 27 points in the fourth quarter, but were still just 28-for-89 (31.5 percent) overall.

"I really can't explain it. We just can't put it in the basket. We just can't score," acting coach Larry Smith said. "Our main guys are getting good looks and we're coming up with

James Posey and Maurice Taylor led Houston with 10 points each. Yao Ming finished with just six points and five rebounds, both well below his averages of 13.7 and 8.3.

Houston was just 5-for-23 in the first quarter, with only one field goal, a layup by Kelvin

Cato, that wasn't a 3-pointer.
"Yesterday we did a few things well," Yao said. "Tonight, I don't think we did anything well."

Suns 112, Mavericks 89

Penny Hardaway got his first triple-double in 1 1/2 years and Shawn Marion had 31 points and 15 rebounds as the Phoenix Suns widened their lead for the West's final playoff berth with a rout of the Dallas Mavericks.

Dallas lost for the third time in four games to drop one game behind San Antonio for the Midwest Division lead and the No. 1 spot in the playoffs.

It's the first time the Mavericks have not been at least tied for the division lead

Hardaway had 10 points, 10 assists and 10 rebounds for his sixth career triple-double and third with Phoenix. His last was against Denver on Dec. 29. 2001.

Phoenix won for the fourth time in five games and increased its lead over Houston for the West's eighth and final playoff spot to 2 1/2 games with four to play.

The Suns never trailed, shot 51 percent and, for the first time this season, had six players in double figures, including all five starters. Stephon Marbury scored 20 points, Amare Stoudemire 17 and Joe Johnson 14.

Bo Outlaw, who started at center, scored 11 before getting an elbow to the face from Raef LaFrentz with 7:02 left in the third quarter.

He had a bruised left jaw and a cut on his left cheek that required three stitches.

Dirk Nowitzki scored 26 points and Nick Van Exel 22 for the Mavericks, who had no one else in double figures. Marion scored 11 points and the Suns shot 63 percent (15-for-23) in the first quarter, outscoring the Mavs 14-5 over the final 3:21 of the period to take a 36-25 lead.

Van Exel scored seven in a 10-3 Dallas run that cut the lead to 43-39 on his 19-footer with 6:35 left in the half.

But the Suns outscored the Mavericks 14-5 the rest of the quarter to go up 57-43 at the

The run-and-gun Mavs had no fast-break points in the first

Phoenix twice led by as many as 17 in the third quarter before Van Exel scored 10 consecutive Mavericks points, the first six on 3-pointers, to cut the lead to 74-62 with four minutes to go in the period. Dallas never got closer.

Jake Voskuhl banked in a hook shot and Marion sank a 3pointer to put Phoenix up 83-66 with 2:07 left in the third period. The Suns led 86-70 going into the fourth quarter.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Ex-Kansas AD blasts Williams

Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan.
The news was about Al Bohl.
He was out as Kansas' athletic director.

But the reaction — including that of Bohl himself — was only about basketball coach Roy Williams.

"I believe the Kansas basketball coach had the power to hold his athletics director in his hand like a dove," Bohl said after he was fired Wednesday.

"And he had a choice to either crush me with his power of influence or let me fly with my vision for a better, total program. He chose to crush me."

When making the announcement, Kansas Chancellor Robert Hemenway tried to deflect attention away from his wildly popular basketball coach and onto the athletic director he'd hired less than two years ago.

He said he had discussed leadership of the department with Bohl during the past few months, as well as with coaches, other athletic department staff members, alumni and donors.

"On the basis of these conversations and my own evaluation of the situation, I came to the conclusion a change of leadership was needed at this time," Hemenway said, adding that he made the decision while returning from the Final Four

But Hemenway took pains to say Williams never asked for Bohl's removal, a move he stressed was not necessarily intended to placate the basketball coach — who is expected to receive an offer any day to return to North Carolina to coach at his alma matter.

"This is not a Roy versus Al decision," Hemenway said. Bohl, however, said other-

Bohl, however, said otherwise. In an extraordinary news conference 30 minutes later at his home, Bohl blamed his firing squarely on Williams.

"It is bad when a basketball coach can have the ability to hire and fire someone," Bohl said

Hired in 2001 to replace Williams' close friend and longtime Jayhawks athletic director Bob Frederick, Bohl clashed early and often with Williams.

Bohl's dismissal has been viewed as an almost foregone conclusion since rumors surfaced in February that UCLA would pursue Williams, whose Jayhawks have won nine conference championships and more than 400 games in 15 years and lost to Syracuse in the NCAA title game Monday night.

But the speculation intensified after North Carolina coach Matt Doherty resigned before the Final Four, opening the position that Williams — a former North Carolina assistant and protege of Dean Smith — passed up three years ago.

And now that Hemenway has acted, when will Williams?

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One inning later, a fly ball to right field off the bat of another Western Michigan batter seemed destined for extra bases. However, Kris Billmaier, looking directly into the sun and fighting a stiff breeze, reeled in the ball to prevent the game-tying run from getting on base.

"The play by Billmaier leading off the 8th inning ... again in a 2-1 game ... he makes a play to stop a rally before it even began," Mainieri said. However, the story for the

Irish was the dominating pitching duo of Axford and J.P. Gagne.

In addition to his 12 strikeouts, Axford also allowed only one earned run on six hits while walking none.

Gagne came in to relieve Axford in the top of the eighth, with only a two-out single in the ninth preventing Gagne from retiring the side in order both innings.

"J.P. Gagne is our security blanket, he is so poised and has such great composure,' Mainieri said. "He just comes in throwing strikes.

It was more than enough for the Irish to win their 12th straight game, as they pushed five more runs across in the bottom of the eighth to seal the victory.

Two walks and a single loaded the bases before an RBI single by Sanchez brought in the first run.

Cody Rizzo was hit by a pitch to drive in another run, before a bases-loaded single to left by Matt Macri, combined with an error by the



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Left fielder Cody Rizzo tracks down a fly ball in foul territory during Wednesday's 7-1 Irish victory over Western Michigan.

left fielder on the play, plated three more runs and more than enough insurance for Gagne to close out the

""I think the story of the game was John Axford and J.P. Gagne, particularly Axford. ... [Pitching coach] Brian O'Connor said after the game that that was as well as Axford has ever thrown,

which is quite a statement because he's thrown some great games for us.

The Irish, now 21-6 on the season, face a doubleheader tomorrow at Eck Stadium, meeting Chicago State at 4:05 and Bowling Green immediately following.

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Don Woznica of Four Fingers and a Thumb hoists his boom box in the air triumphantly after his team's victory.

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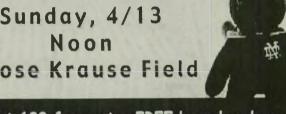
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USOC predicts \$8 million shortfall through 2004

Associated Press

The latest turmoil surrounding the U.S. Olympic Committee wasn't a big problem until it affected the bottom

The USOC is predicting a revenue shortfall of about \$8 million through 2004, in part because recent scandals have turned donors away, according to two sources within the Olympic move-

"There's no question in my mind it's [turmoil] hurt their fund-raising ability," said Ben Nighthorse Campbell, part of a Senate committee investigating the USOC.

They've got to regain the confidence of the public. The only way that you're going to be able to do that is prove to the public that you're going to have good, solid, fair leadership where the main is goal is going to be to help young Americans.

The shortfall is in a \$491 million budget that covers 2001-04.

About 60 percent of the gap is blamed on a drop in public donations after three months of turmoil led to the resignations of eight top officials and drew the ire of Congress.

The figures are detailed in a report to be delivered to the USOC at a meeting this weekend in Fort Worth, Texas, said the sources, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of

"Direct mail and major gifts we think are going to be down through Athens because of all of the turmoil," one source said. "And until we can get ourselves back on track and get things straightened out, we're making a very conservative forecast."

Other hits to the budget include declines in fees from broadcasting rights, retail sales and a smaller contribution from the Olympic Foundation, the sources said.

The USOC is moving to make up the shortfall by savings in administrative costs, mostly because the organization has not replaced the highly paid top officials who have resigned, the sources said.

The difference between revenues and expenses in the budget is about \$3.5 million, including a \$2.8 million surplus USOC officials hope to carry through the Athens Games next sum-

Figures related to deficiencies or surpluses in previous quads were not immediately available.

The news was no surprise to Campbell, one of the USOC's harshest critics through the latest flareup.

"The moms and pops who send in their 10 or 20 bucks, they didn't send it in for the hierarchy to take first-class trips around the world to stay in five-star hotels," Campbell said Wednesday. "They sent their money in because they thought the money was going to go to the athletes.

The USOC receives about 5 percent of the annual assets of the Olympic Foundation, a nonprofit corporation that provides funding for sports in the Olympic movement. The Olympic Foundation's revenue is down because the sour economy has affected invest-

Savings in salaries stem from the decision to not replace chief executive Lloyd Ward, chief operating officer Fred Wohlschlaeger and chief market- resources we spend and amount of



Sen. Ben Whitehorse Campbell, part of the USOC investigation, talks with an Olympic athlete at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado.

ing officer Toby Wong.

All three resigned after conflict-ofinterest charges against Ward in December set off a series of attempted coups, resignations and power struggles behind the scenes.

Ward made about \$550,000 a year, while Wohlschlaeger and Wong earned a total of about \$500,000.

"We will have some unfilled budget positions that will make us more responsive in terms of the amount of resources we turn over to our governing bodies," acting CEO Jim Scherr said in a conference call Wednesday

Despite the revenue shortfall, USOC officials still hope to hang on to a \$2.8 million surplus that came from the Salt Lake City Games.

"We've always been shooting for a 2.8 surplus reserve at the end of the quad and we're still shooting for that," one source said. "We're trying to manage. We've got a salary freeze, got lots of things going on to get to that 2.8

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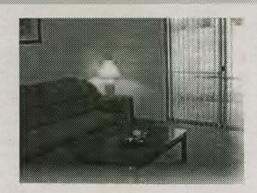
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MENS LACROSSE

Irish hungry to halt recent losing streak

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

When you dig a hole for yourself, you have to dig your way out. The whiteboard in the Notre

The whiteboard in the Notre Dame mens lacrosse locker room could have read something similar at the beginning of this season. The Irish no doubt entered the spring reluctant to let another 5-8 season pass them by after being less than two years removed from the NCAA national semifinals.

So a quick start was in order, and the team responded to coach Kevin Corrigan's preseason preparation. A 3-0 start became a huge step up from the team's 1-2 opening record after three games last year. The Irish redeemed themselves against Penn St. and Penn and beat No. 7 North Carolina on the road. The fortunes of Kevin Corrigan's team seemed to be changing for the better.

Since the North Carolina victory, however, Notre Dame has lost 4 of its last 6 games. The losses include 9-8 defeats to current No. 11 Loyola (Md.) and current No. 14 Hofstra and blowout losses to No. 19 Ohio State (11-5) and No. 6 Virginia (14-8).

Notre Dame looks to end their losing stretch Thursday as they host the Butler Bulldogs at Moose Krause Stadium at 3:30 p.m. Butler returns eight starters from its 5-8 team of a year ago.

Corrigan, who was frustrated after the disappointing Ohio State loss, is anxious his team has not settled into any type of comfortable zone or style of play on the field. He is unsure the team can handle the various tempos that

top teams have been throwing their way.

Granted, the schedule has not been kind to the Irish, as seven of their nine opponents so far have been ranked. Playing without leading point man Matt Howell, as he recuperates from an appendectomy, does not help Notre Dame either

Still, the expectations Corrigan and the team had for this season were way above a 5-4 record at this point in the season.

Even more significant than the record on paper is the way the team has been playing of late. A lack of fundamentals and team defense has led to disastrous consequences. The play of freshman Pat Walsh and junior Dan Berger have kept the Irish close, but the team is still struggling to find a niche.

"We need to find a rhythm and we haven't done that yet," Corrigan said.

On a positive note, Notre Dame is 3-1 at home this season. The last time the Irish hosted the Bulldogs in 2001, Notre Dame spanked Butler, 12-3. Last season's game was closer, but not by much. The Irish tallied four goals in the first quarter and Dan Berger scored three on the day as the team came away with a 12-8 road victory

Notre Dame is 9-1 all-time against Butler, a statistic that bodes well for the men's chances Thursday.

Then again, they had also won nine of the last ten against Ohio State before Sunday.

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MENS TENNIS

Hungry for a win, Irish prevail

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

After a losing two matches in a row, the Irish regained their confidence and brightened hopes for the rest of the season when they defeated Ball State 5-2 Wednesday at Eck Tennis Pavilion.

Although the Cardinals, 13-7, began the match by winning the doubles point, the Irish won three straight singles matches to pull ahead, 3-1. The three remaining matches all extended to the third set — the seventh time this has happened to the Irish in eleven matches.

In the end, the Irish won two of those as they moved to 7-11 on the season and prepare to face off with No. 13 Kentucky Sunday in their regular season's penultimate event.

Tri-captain Luis Haddock was once again in position to clinch a match Wednesday, and his 6-4, 5-7, 6-2 triumph over former St. Joseph (South Bend) High School player Chris Varga gave the Irish the much sought-after victory.

Haddock, ranked 97th nationally, has contended with several ranked players of late and has seen some successes, including his recent wins over No. 55 Johan Brunstrom and No. 63 Thomas Haug, during Irish losses to Southern Methodist and Minnesota, respectively. Since spring break began, he has had two losses to ranked players — No. 14 Todd Widom of Miami and No. 67 Marcus Bernston of Boise State.

Patrick Buchanan was the initial player to direct the Irish towards their 14th straight

victory over the Cardinals. He easily toppled Ball State's Klint Knable, 6-4, 6-1. Then tri-captain Brian Farrell defeated Matt Laramore in 6-3 straight sets before tri-captain Matt Scott put Notre Dame within a point of victory and gave Haddock the opportunity to clinch.

Scott obtained his eighth win in his last 11 matches playing at the No. 2 flight by topping Matthew Baccarani 7-6 (7-5), 6-3.

Nicolas Lopez-Acevedo, playing in the last match on the court, topped Patrick Thompson 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

Brent D'Amico yielded the Cardinals their only singles victory of the day when he was defeated by Kevin Burnett, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3. With Burnett's win, the Cardinals brought the score to 3-2 with Haddock's and Lopez-Acevedo's matches still undecided.

The Cardinals swept the Irish in doubles. At the top of the lineup, Baccarani and Burnett top the duo of D'Amico and Scott 8-5. Then Knable and Andy Rhodes defeated the junior/sophomore pair of Ben Hatten and Paul McNaughton 8-5. After the doubles point was clinched, the Cardinals added to their initial domination with a 9-8 (7-5) victory over Farrell and Haddock at the No. 2 flight.

Notre Dame's next opponent, Kentucky, recently defeated the 19th-ranked Auburn Tigers 4-2 at their home courts. The Wildcat roster includes 13th-ranked Jesse Witten and 65th-ranked Karim Benmansour, who both were defeated in their singles matches against Auburn.

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Belles fall to Albion in conference match

By LISA REIJULA
Sports Writer

A strong Albion squad defeated the Saint Mary's April 8 by an 8-1 score. The Britons (13-4) won five of six singles matches to remain unbeaten in the MIAA conference with a 3-0 record.

With the loss, the Belles dropped to 2-2 in the MIAA and 10-3 overall for the spring season. The Belles haven't lost two conference games in one season since the 2000 season, when the Belles finished 5-2.

Junior co-captain Kaitlin Cutler was the lone singles winner for Saint Mary's on the afternoon, as she beat Albion's Betsy Netherton 6-4, 6-2 at No. 3 singles. At the No. 1 singles spot, Briton senior Amiee Greene defeated Saint Mary's Jeannie Knish 7-6 (7-4), 6-2.

In the second flight match, Albion's Katie Tornga won over Kristen Palombo 6-4, 5-7, 7-5 in a close battle of two freshmen players. At No. 4 singles, Karen Dumas outlasted Saint Mary's' Kris Spriggle 6-2, 2-6, 6-2. The loss was Spriggle's first of the spring season.

In No. 5 singles, Briton sophomore Emily Dumas defeated Elisa Ryan 6-1, 6-1. Albion continued their near-sweep in the No. 6 singles match, when Caitlyn Campbell won over Angela Sandner 6-2, 6-2

In doubles action, the Britons swept the Belles to ensure their victory. At No. 1 doubles, Albion's Emily Dumas and Greene beat the Belles' Knish/Palombo pairing 6-4, 6-3. At the No. 2 spot, the Belles' duo of Cutler and Ryan lost to Tornga and Netherton by a 6-1, 2-6, 3-6 score. Rounding out doubles play was Albion's victory at No. 3, as Karen Dumas and Amy Esh defeated Spriggle and Lindsay Cook.

The team will have several days to refocus until resuming play at the Midwest Invitational in Madison, Wis. this Friday and Saturday.

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SOFTBALL

Irish claim their first Big East victories in doubleheader

By JUSTIN SCHUVER Sports Writer

The Irish finally got their first two Big East matches of the season out of the way Wendesday, and thanks to some timely hitting, managed to also come away with their first two Big East wins of the season.

The Irish won the first game of a doubleheader against Pittsburgh 5-4, thanks to a fiverun seventh inning rally for the victory. Notre Dame completed the sweep by beating the Panthers 4-1 in the second game, behind near-perfect pitching from freshman Heather Booth.

The Big East victories have been a long time coming for the Irish, who have had their first six conference matches postponed due to inclement weath-

The Irish offense was sparked by a bases-loaded double by Andrea Loman in the seventh inning of game one. Mallorie Lenn hit her second home run of the season in the second game, a two-run shot.

In game one, the Irish fell behind early, as starting pitcher Steffany Stenglein was victimized by the home run. Francesca DiMaria led off the bottom of the first with a solo shot, and Casey Pickard followed, giving the Panthers back-to-back home runs and a 2-0 lead before the Irish had even recorded an out.

Stenglein worked a scoreless second inning, but did not last past the third, as Heather Andrews hit a two-run double in the third inning to give Pittsburgh a four-run advantage.

Pitcher Carrie Wisen entered the game in relief for the Irish and shut down the Panther offense for the rest of the game, allowing only one hit over 4 1/3 innings.

Panther starter Nikki Gasti kept the Irish offense at bay for most of the game, allowing only one hit over the first six innings. With only one inning left in the game, the Irish finally solved Gasti in the seventh.

Shortstop Andria Bledsoe led

off with a single, but was thrown out at second on Liz Hartman's fielder's choice. First-baseman Lisa Mattison then reached on an error by the Panther second baseman.

Pittsburgh's shaky offense continued when Lenn then reached base on an error by the third baseman, which allowed Hartmann to come home and score the first run for the Irish, while Mattison reached third and Lenn moved up to second on the throw home.

Nicole deFau came up next, but hit a weak pop-up to short that put the Irish one out away from losing. Megan Ciolli kept the rally alive with a perfect squeeze bunt that allowed Mattison to score.

Kellie Middleton, pinch-hitting for senior Alexis Madrid, drew a walk to load the bases for Loman.

Loman came threw with a double to centerfield that scored all three runners and gave Notre Dame a 5-4 lead. Meagan Ruthrauff grounded out to end the inning, but solid pitching by Wisen in the bottom of the seventh made the win stand up for the Irish.

The Irish offensive surge continued into game two of the series, with Notre Dame jumping on top early in the first with two runs off a double by Ruthrauff.

Pittsburgh would score in the second after an error by the Irish, but it would be the only run the Panthers would get off of Booth. Booth pitched all seven innings, only allowing three walks and one hit.

The Irish scored two insurance runs in the fourth to put the game away. Mattison drew a walk before Lenn launched a shot over the fences to give Notre Dame a 4-1 lead.

The team returns home for two more Big East doubleheaders this weekend, facing the two teams currently tied for first in the conference.

The Irish face St. John's on Friday at 4 p.m. and Seton Hall on Sunday at 11 a.m.

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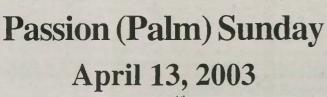
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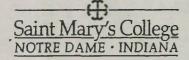


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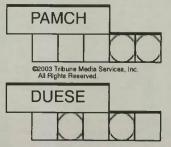
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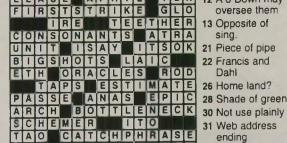
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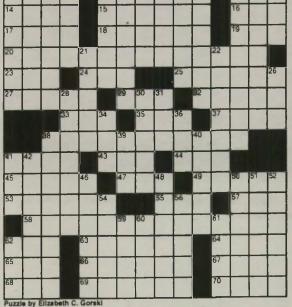
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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Expand your knowledge and learn about different cultures and traditions. The more you discover, the better you will understand. Your excellent memory will help you with projects. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Alterations to your home will pay off. It may be necessary to help someone you care about with his or her financial or legal CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may have to do a little finagling if you haven't

been paying enough attention to loved ones. It's time to put everything else aside and nurture the relationships that mean the most to you. *** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This day will get progressively more exciting. Socialize if you wish to meet new friends or lovers, but if you want to nurture an existing relationship,

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Use your imagination and you will accomplish the most today. Being creative will inspire you to follow a direction that you have only dreamed Birthday Baby: You will always look out for the underdog and you will be there when no

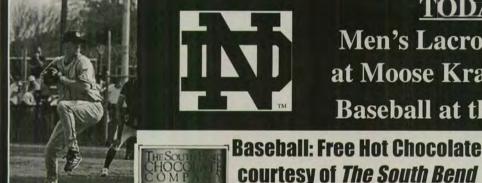
one else is willing to go the distance. You will prove your strength of character and

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focus on the person you want to impress. **

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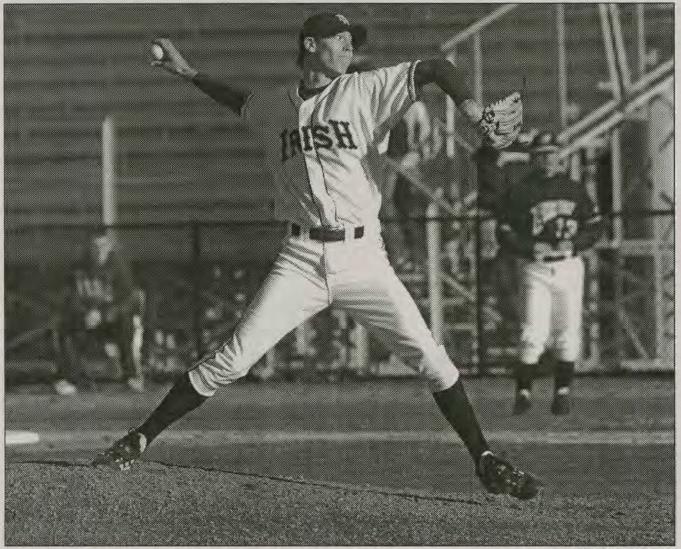




SPORTS

BASEBALL

Axford K's his way to 12th straight Irish win



John Axford hurls one of his many strikes against Western Michigan Wednesday. Axford fanned 12 Bronco batters, and a late five-run rally helped the Irish beat Western Michigan, 7-1.

By BRYAN KRONK Senior Staff Writer

When the hitting got cold for the Irish, John Axford got hot

The sophomore right-hander struck out 12 batters, and some key defensive plays kept the Irish in the game before a late offensive rally boosted Notre Dame to a 7-1 victory over Western Michigan at Eck Stadium Wednesday night.

"[Assistant coach David Grewe and I] both thought that it was going to be a low-scoring game," head coach Paul Mainieri said. "That kid [Broncos' starter Keith] Perez is a good pitcher - he beat us in Kalamazoo a couple years ago. We just had the feeling it was going to be a low-scoring game.'

And it was a low scoring game for much of the duration. The Irish were able to manufacture single runs in the first and fifth innings, while a solo home run in the third for Western Michigan tied the game for a

Not that either team didn't produce any opportunities.

Two key scoring opportunities by the Broncos late in the game were thwarted by impressive defensive plays by the Irish.

With a runner on second and two outs in the top of the seventh, a Western Michigan player singled to center field. The runner rounded third as center fielder Brennan Grogan fired his relay throw, which arrived in plenty of time for catcher Javi Sanchez to tag the runner out at home.

"Grogan made a major league play throwing the guy out at the plate," Mainieri said. "Perfect throw, hit the cutoff man on one bounce, great catch by Javi. Kept the game 2-1 and kept Axford in line for a win.

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXII

Frigid Bookstore courts get rowdy in first round

♦ Boom boxes, plastic penguins and thwarted thongs all decorate Wednesday's first-round games

By MATT LOZAR Associate Sports Editor

They both had boom boxes.

They both had beverages on the court.

One team was drinking from a two-liter bottle while the other was using the traditional blue plastic cup.

What separated these two teams were their

Four Fingers and a Thumb had a plastic Christmas penguin while Verdad o Falso? We're Bowed? had a six-foot inflatable

On the court, Four Fingers and a Thumb was able to overcome all of these distractions and win 21-13 in the first round of the Bookstore Basketball tournament.

The plastic penguin routinely sat at the top of the key on offense and defense for Four Fingers and a Thumb.

Meanwhile, the inflatable penis stayed mainly on the sidelines and was used to hit some of Verdad o Falso?'s players as needed.

Despite the 30-degree temperatures, a small pool was courtside filled with water for any potential swimmers — there were no

Hoop While Rap 21, Team Thiz 12

Thankfully it was cold.

Originally, Thiz planned to play wearing nothing but thongs from the waist down.

Due to the cold temperatures, Thiz kept their shorts on and only attempted to pull down their shorts in order to distract the

Hoop While Rap stayed focused on the basket and took advantage of its height in using the inside game to defeat Thiz and move on to the second round.

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Players on Four Fingers and a Thumb take a break during their Bookstore Basketball game Wednesday.

ND SOFTBALL

Notre Dame Pittsburgh

After much delay, the Irish opened their Big East season with a sweep of

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SMC TENNIS

Albion Saint Mary's

The Britons eked out several close matches to seal the victory over the

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MENS LACROSSE

Butler at Notre Dame Today, 3:30 p.m.

After getting off to a 3-0 start, the 5-4 Irish are looking to get back on

Notre Dame Ball State

The Irish capture a key win over the Cardinals in the intrastate rival-

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