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Police aware of Rally in the Alley

◆ **Turtle Creek notifies residents to expect larger police presence**

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Editor

The management of Turtle Creek Apartments notified residents that local police departments are aware of today's planned Rally in the Alley, adding that they should expect an increased police presence at the apartment complex for the remainder of the year.

Student residents said the notice is the first they received since they moved into their apartments.

Rally in the Alley is a traditional party that occurs at the beginning of the school year in August and on the last day of classes in April.

The notification, a copy of which was obtained by The Observer, warned residents to act responsibly and reminded them of the complex's rules



Courtesy of Turtle Creek Apartments Web site

Turtle Creek Apartments is expected tonight to be the scene of not only Rally in the Alley, but increased police presence as well.

regarding parties.

"In light of the recent events surrounding the University and the city, you should antic-

ipate a stepped up police presence in and around Turtle Creek throughout the remainder of the year," the notifica-

tion said, referring to two raids on South Bend bars this

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Student claims RA attack

◆ **Alleged incident took place at off-campus apartment**

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

A Notre Dame student claimed he was assaulted Saturday by a Knott Hall resident assistant at his Turtle Creek apartment.

The junior, a former Knott resident, said he had just laid down for a nap when the alleged assailant came to the apartment accompanied by several other students.

The student said he opened the door and had a brief argument before he was allegedly punched in the face.

"I don't think I got more than two words out before I took a right hook to the eye,"

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CCC votes to change club funding allocation procedures

By JULIA MILLER-LEMON
News Writer

The Club Coordination Council decided to change the way that funds are allocated to campus clubs in February.

As part of a strategic plan started under the Libby Bishop administration, the new policy requires clubs to raise 20 percent of what they are given from the CCC budget. This means that if a particular club is given \$1,000 from the CCC in funding,

it would have to raise \$200 on its own.

The 215 campus clubs under the jurisdiction of the CCC are divided into six divisions: Academic, Athletic, Cultural, Performing Arts, Social Service and Special Interest. In the past, these clubs have all been encouraged to hold fundraisers, but they were never required.

"The change is primarily to help clubs earn supplemental funding," said CCC president Seth O'Donnell. "The CCC can only fund approximately 22.5

percent of total club budgets — thus alternative methods to support club activity are necessary."

O'Donnell discredited claims that the new requirements show a need for clubs to raise their own money despite the successful fundraising campaign of The Shirt. Proceeds from the sale of The Shirt are intended to go to scholarships, charities and student government, although the Financial Management Board is permitted to use part of The Shirt funds for direct allocation to campus clubs.

"This isn't a need for clubs to raise more funds," O'Donnell said. "It's simply a way to ensure that clubs are not relying solely on student activity fee allocations."

CCC vice president Jessica Panza said The Shirt did not have anything to do with the new policy.

"Profits from the The Shirt project have in the past varied greatly from year to year, and are spread out amongst a wide variety of campus-wide groups and causes. Thus, the CCC rec-

ommendation was totally independent from it," Panza said.

Until now, the social service clubs were the only of the six club divisions that were not required to collect dues, and the CCC has no intention of changing this. But service clubs may choose to start collecting dues as a form of fundraiser.

"Our definition of a fundraiser is pretty loose," O'Donnell said. "Collecting dues from club members is just one way that groups

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Seniors in ROTC look ahead

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

Notre Dame ROTC seniors who will graduate next month will serve their country in a broad variety of missions. Upon graduation, the cadets and midshipmen will be commissioned officers and will report to duties across the country.

Lt. Cmdr. Dan Walsh, an instructor in the Naval ROTC program, said the 29 seniors under his watch will include

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A PLEA FOR PEACE



LAUREN FORBES/The Observer

Political science professor Dan Lindley speaks at Tuesday's Preemptive Peace rally in front of the Stonehenge World War II memorial. Lindley was one of several speakers that discussed options for rebuilding Iraq. The rally was sponsored by the Peace Coalition.

COBA jumps in rankings

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business MBA program continued to climb in the U.S. News and World Report's national ranking of graduate school programs, rising from unranked four years ago to No. 29 in this year's list.

The high ranking is an honor, said Dean Carolyn Woo, but she added that the College

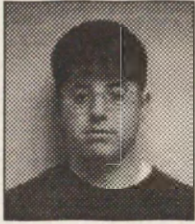
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INSIDE COLUMN

An Era of Air

In the April 20 Chicago Tribune Sports section, I saw a thank-you note from Michael Jordan to basketball.

As Jordan and the rest of the basketball world look back on the career of the greatest player to step on the court, I think we all need to look back too. After all, we grew up in the Michael Jordan generation.



Associate Sports Editor

Everyone our age that picked up a basketball was Michael Jordan. When you went out on the court to shoot around, you weren't Charles Barkley, Patrick Ewing or even the great ones like Bird and Magic. You were Michael Jordan.

You and your buddies would fight in PeeWee basketball to get number 23, because no other number mattered.

You'd jump from the free-throw line — even though you'd land just three feet later — and shoot the ball in mid-air to mirror his gravity-defying dunk in the 1987 Slam Dunk Contest.

You'd stick your tongue out. I think every MJ fan knows what this one is. Every time you go up for a shot — whether it was a layup, jumper or three-pointer — you had the tongue out like Mike did.

You tried those impossible turnaround jumpers that His Airness always managed to bury. You'd count down from three to pretend to hit that buzzer-beater like Jordan so often did to Cleveland. You'd shrug and shake your head after every jumper you made, like Mike did when he hit his sixth three against Portland in the Game 1 of the 1992 Finals.

You'd shoot — or more appropriately, miss — those free throws with your eyes closed as Mike would do from time to time to mess with his opponents, just to let them know — in case they didn't already — that he was unstoppable. He didn't even need to see the rim.

You refused to drink anything but Gatorade because that's what Mike drank. Then you memorized the "Be Like Mike" song and would sing it every time you went out on the court.

You begged your parents to buy you "Michael Jordan's Playground" and "Come Fly With Me" videos and then sat mesmerized in front of the TV for hours with your friends.

You swore that Mike could fly. He didn't just jump. He would glide and hang in the air for what seemed like seconds. He didn't fall back to the court — he landed.

When his dad was murdered, you said a prayer for him, and when he retired the first time, you cried. You stood up for him as he struggled through minor league baseball, because he was still the greatest athlete in the world, even if he couldn't break .200 with the Birmingham Barons or hit a curveball.

When he came back, you hated the number 45.

And when he drained that last jumper in 1998 against Utah to clinch his sixth title, you felt like a little kid. You celebrated like it was his first title, because all was right in the world again.

For the better part of two decades, he brought out greatness in all of us.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Chris Federico at cfederic@nd.edu.

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Saint Mary's College recently announced its shorter, revised mission statement.	Responding to an anti-American protest, U.S. paratroopers fired shots during a demonstration Tuesday in Fallujah, Iraq.	Analysts predict overproduction after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries's recent decision to heighten the output ceiling for oil.	The Observer calls on the University to prove its claims of gender equity by releasing salary averages by department and gender.	Freshmen gear up for the "The Freshmen Four Plays," which are directed by freshmen and including freshmen actors.	The Notre Dame baseball team suffered a defeat in Tuesday's game against the University of Michigan 8-4.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ Farley End of the Year Picnic, 6 p.m., North Quad
- ◆ The Political Lessons of the War in Iraq, 7 p.m., 129 DeBartolo Hall
- ◆ Cuba Libre? Reflections Upon the Catholic Church in Cuba Today, 7 p.m., C-103 Hesburgh Center
- ◆ Interfaith Christian Night Prayer, 10 p.m., Morrissey Hall Chapel

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Irish Dance Lessons, 5:30 p.m., 231 NE and NW Madeleva Hall
- ◆ ECDC staff meeting, 6 p.m., 20 Havacan
- ◆ Adult Children of Alcoholics meeting, 7 p.m., 317N Madeleva Hall

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Property broken into Monday

NDSP received a report from an employee Monday that a rental property owned by the University had been broken into. There are no suspects and the case is pending.

Police investigate harassment

Police are investigating a harassment complaint from Pasquerilla West that was reported Monday.

Student loses parking decal

A student told NDSP Monday that she lost her parking decal at an unknown location.

Authorities tow two vehicles

Two students' vehicles were towed for parking violations Monday. One was parked at the Post Office and the other was in the D2 South Lot.

Worker injured in dining hall

A Notre Dame employee was taken from South Dining Hall to the University Health Center for treatment of an injury Monday.

-Compiled from NDSP crime blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Spinach-cheese tortellini with mushroom sauce, italian sausage marinara, Mexican beef pizza, polish sausage, potato and cheese pierogi, green beans, apple crisp, grilled tuna with lemon, asparagus cuts and tips, Canadian bacon, battered waffles, fried potato patties, sloppy joe, chuckwagon beans, peppered tangerine chicken.

Today's Dinner: Spinach-cheese tortellini with mushroom sauce, Italian sausage marinara, Mexican beef pizza, roast top round, sauteed herbed mushrooms, green bean casserole, apple crisp, spinach quiche, orzo portobello and cream, Italian-blend vegetables, Buffalo chicken wings, chicken kung pao.

South Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Baked beef ravioli, meatballs with sauce, tomato pizza, oriental vegetables, BBQ beef sandwich, shrimp spaghetti, rotisserie chicken, Louisiana rice and red beans, cut corn, red-skin potatoes with rosemary, broccoli cuts, baby carrots, cut green beans, fishwich, crinkle fries, soft pretzel, beef and pepper stir-fry, chicken fajita.

Today's Dinner: Lasagna with meat sauce, meatballs with sauce, tomato pizza, apple turnover, baked pollock jardiniere, vegetables marinara, cauliflower au gratin, beef bourguignon, bourbon baked ham, baked sweet potato, scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage links, Hunan sweet and sour chicken.

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

Today's Lunch: Grilled hummus baguette, spinach frittata, chicken fettuccini alfredo and marinara, broiled hamburger, corn dog, Monte Carlo sandwich, grilled roast beef wrap, cauliflower, vegetable pizza, cheese calzones, bread sticks, turkey club loafer, tuna salad, sliced honey ham, sliced turkey.

Today's Dinner: Vegetarian panini, herb pasta, roasted root vegetable, sweet and sour chicken, tacos and burrito bar, refried beans, spaghetti and meatballs, broccoli florets, grilled pizza bread, Santa Fe pizza, ham and potato casserole, pineapple upside down cake, dirt pudding.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 70	HIGH 67	HIGH 78	HIGH 63	HIGH 60	HIGH 65
	LOW 47	LOW 59	LOW 51	LOW 39	LOW 38	LOW 45

Atlanta 82 / 61 Boston 60 / 48 Chicago 66 / 54 Denver 69 / 44 Houston 58 / 36 Los Angeles 70 / 48 Minneapolis 56 / 47 New York 68 / 51 Philadelphia 70 / 50 Phoenix 83 / 58 Seattle 58 / 44 St. Louis 80 / 64 Tampa 86 / 72 Washington 72 / 52

Two rectors leaving Notre Dame

By MELISSA LOU
News Writer

Two rectors will leave the Notre Dame this year to explore new options outside the campus. John Mojzisek of St. Edward's Hall and Father Tom Bednar of Zahm Hall will officially resign from their positions at the end of this academic year.

Mojzisek, a Notre Dame alumnus, will leave his hall after a year of service to return to his hometown of Baltimore to continue work in counseling and teaching. Mojzisek said he is leaving because his heart is in counseling and teaching, and he felt it was time to do something else.

Mojzisek said he leaves behind him a group of "exceptional young men who are creative and very energetic." He is confident that the transition will be smooth, especially since the current assistant rector will return next year.

The 37-year-old will also leave his position with the Masters in Divinity Program, where he taught pastoral counseling, as well as his job as a Notre Dame Encounter leader.

As a student at Notre Dame

Mojzisek was a double major in the program of liberal studies and psychology and eventually obtained a Ph.D in pastoral counseling.

"The students," Mojzisek said, "have been very supportive of my decision." He added that he will miss Notre Dame.

The University has yet to announce Mojzisek's replacement.

Jim Kleckner, a senior in the College of Engineering, points out that this transition might be "especially hard on the underclassmen, as they will have had three rectors in three years."

Kleckner added that Mojzisek did a good job making everyone feel at home after Father David Scheidler left last year and is sorry to see him go.

Mojzisek, Kleckner said, was approachable and "took an interest in getting to know us."

Bednar of Zahm was not available for an interview. However, the Office of Student Affairs nominated Father Daniel Parrish to take over his

position as rector.

Nicola Iaria, a senior economics major, said that Bednar has been the rector in Zahm for the past three years.

According to Iaria, Bednar has brought a different atmosphere to the dorm that stems from his experiences in

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Nicola Iaria
student

Chile.

"He has an open feel for the campus and is very open for the students," he said.

Iaria remembers Bednar's first year in the dorm when during a Freshman Orientation activity he wore a du Lac T-shirt, showing off his unique sense of humor.

"He has always been willing to listen to people and always tried to be a part of the dorm. He was also very active in multicultural events," said Iaria.

Bednar often celebrated the Spanish Mass held in Zahm each Sunday.

Iaria, who works in dorm government concluded by saying that Bednar "was fair in his dealings with students and flexible in how he handled situations in the dorm. He was always willing to work with hall government."

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New dining hall to open at Saint Mary's

By SARAH NESTOR
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Saint Mary's class of 2003 will open the new Noble Family Dining Hall on May 15 at noon during the annual Alumnae-Senior Luncheon. The Alumnae Association Board of Directors luncheon to honor the class of 2003 will kick off Commencement weekend and is free for all graduating seniors, although reservations are required. Seniors can pick up their tickets from May 7 to May 9 in the Alumnae Relations Office and additional tickets for guests are available for \$12.

The luncheon is the first of several events over Commencement weekend to take place in the new dining hall on May 16 and 17. The Baccalaureate dinner on May 16 and the graduation brunch on May 17 will also be held in the new dining hall. Seniors will be admitted for free with IDs and tickets for guests can be purchased from the Student Activities Office.

Groundbreaking for the new Noble Family Dining Hall and Student Center began last April, after four years of planning and

construction continued over the past year.

The three-level 80,000-square-foot structure is being built in two phases, costing \$17 million. Phase I involved the construction of the new Noble Family Dining Hall, originally planned for completion in June 2003.

However, construction went smoothly and this year's seniors will be the first to experience the new facility, although the new dining hall will not be open for general dining during Senior Week, according to College spokeswoman Melanie Engler.

Phase II, which includes demolition of the old dining hall and construction of the student center is expected to finish by December 2004.

The center will include all the current Haggar facilities, student lounges, a small theater, a cyber café, Campus Ministry and a copy shop.

According to College President Marilou Eldred, \$16 million of the needed \$17 million has been raised as of March and she expects the student center to open in December 2004.

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GRADUATE STUDENT UNION

Grad students win awards for teaching

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

The Graduate Student Union (GSU) Academic Affairs Committee recognized Michael Tomko of the English department and Derek Webb of the Political Science department for their work in undergraduate teaching. Tomko received the Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award and Webb was honored as the Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant.

A panel of three graduate students reviewed the 16 nominations received, judging applicants on faculty appraisals, Teacher Course Evaluations (TCEs) and the course syllabus. Each judge independently ranked the applicants and the lists of the three were combined to arrive at the final decision.

"They [the winners] were both people we felt were the strongest applicants," said Stephanie Arnett, chairperson of the Academic Affairs Committee and one of the judges. "You got the sense ... that they were tough graders but very well respected."

Tomko, a third-year graduate student at Notre Dame, teaches a course on literature and religion that focuses on the works of early to mid-twentieth-century writers including J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis.

"Stimulating interest isn't that difficult," he said. "It's more about channeling the enthusiasm students have in productive ways. These aren't just dead words on a page but a living expression of ourselves."

Tomko said that he has his class act out passages of text and works to force students to

see these popular works in a different light.

Webb said that he also tries to inspire creative thinking among his students. The political science teaching assistant typically prepares handouts that review the extensive course readings and encourages discussion and debate.

"I think they [the students] appreciate the time I spend in preparation for class," he said.

Outside of class, Webb said that he dedicates a lot of time to grading students' papers, sometimes giving as much as a page in feedback. During class, he often tries to review the material in innovative and fun ways, creating games including "Judicial Jeopardy" and "Who Wants to be a Political Scientist."

"Students here are bright and work really hard," he said. "They expect a good T.A."

Both Tomko and Webb hope someday to teach full time as college professors, they said. Webb will return next semester as a teaching assistant for constitutional law and Tomko is taking a year off of to work on his dissertation.

Both said they were flattered to receive the award, which includes a cash prize of \$125 and recognition at an awards dinner scheduled for May 16.

"It's definitely an honor," Webb said. "There are a lot of good T.A.s, especially in the Political Science Department."

Tomko received his undergraduate degree from Swarthmore College and a master's in English in Great Britain. Webb received his undergraduate degree from Yale.

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Attack

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the student said.

After a brief struggle, the victim said other students pulled the alleged attacker away.

The student said he went to the hospital and received several stitches, and still had a bruised left eye Tuesday. He

said he filed a police report with the South Bend Police Department, but added that he does not intend to press charges because he resolved the matter by speaking to the alleged attacker.

When contacted about the alleged incident, the alleged assailant said, "I don't know, I wasn't involved in that," and declined further comment.

It was not immediately clear what punishment, if any, the

RA would receive.

Knott Hall rector Brother Jerome Meyer declined to comment on the alleged incident.

The student said he thought the RA was angry about the student's relationship with the RA's ex-girlfriend.

Calls to the South Bend Police Department were not returned.

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ROTC

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pilots, nuclear specialists, dive experts and submarine officers. Eight graduating seniors will head to Pensacola, Fla. to receive flight training as pilots and naval flight officers or navigators.

Two midshipmen will attend the Navy Dive School in Panama City, Fla. to receive training in explosive ordnance demolition. This program, under the auspices of the Navy's Special Warfare unit, offers training similar to that undertaken by Navy SEALs — the elite "Sea, Air, Land" personnel. One senior will serve in Washington, D.C. in an administrative role for the Navy's nuclear program. "It's an elite assignment," Walsh said.

The 17 seniors in the Army ROTC battalion will likewise undertake a wide range of duties, said Col. David Mosinski, professor of military science. The students will serve as second lieutenants in such diverse

areas as military intelligence, aviation, and engineering. Mosinski said the demand for the various branches is similar to that in the past.

"I don't think the war in Iraq or the war on terrorism have changed the cadets' desired branches," he said.

Mosinski said that Notre Dame cadets have historically been well received by the Army. "Over the last two years, everyone from Notre Dame has received either their first or second choice in branches," Mosinski said.

He credits this to the strength of Notre Dame's ROTC program, saying, "Our battalion produces a pretty high quality cadet."

Cadets and midshipmen who receive scholarships must commit to a term of service in the military, generally ranging from 4 to 8 years, depending on the student's specialized training. Several students received educational deferments, allowing them to postpone service while they go to law school medical school or other graduate programs.

Walsh said his midshipmen are looking forward to their new careers as officers in the Navy.

"This is an interesting time for them. They're going into a different world," he said. "There's a lot of excitement."

Mosinski agreed, touting the benefits of military service.

"It's challenging, but it's very rewarding for [the cadets]," he said.

When asked if any of the cadets get cold feet as graduation nears, Mosinski said they're committed to the program.

"Throughout junior and senior year, they start asking a lot of questions about what they can bring into a unit," he said. He added that the whole cadre helps to address their concerns.

His seniors won't be the only ones dealing with changes. Mosinski, who was recently promoted, has been assigned to the Army's command in Japan. "It'll make an exciting move for my family," he laughed.

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Stadium lawsuit lingers in court

Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind.

The legal tangle that arose after the smelly debut of the expanded Notre Dame Stadium has grown to include 16 contractors and subcontractors facing either lawsuits or countersuits.

The Sept. 6, 1997, inaugural football game in the expanded stadium was marred when water and sewage flooded the building, which had been enlarged to add 20,000 more seats for fans.

The University of Notre Dame later sued the project architect and the general contractor, alleging that the flooding caused damages in excess of \$400,000.

Those two companies, in turn, have sued more than a dozen subcontracting firms that worked on the stadium project. To date, the legal dispute has grown to include:

- ♦ Lawsuits, amended complaints and countersuits involving 16 stadium contractors and subcontractors;
- ♦ 34 attorneys from 17

different law firms across the Midwest;

- ♦ A \$10,000-a-day mediator from Boston;

- ♦ And a court file that measures nearly a yard thick.

"I'll need a seating chart," joked St. Joseph Circuit Court Judge Terry Crone about the task of keeping all the attorneys straight for a trial.

He also said he would need to find a space bigger than his large courtroom for a trial involving that many lawyers.

The case is set to go before a mediator for three days in early June after months of preparations by the participants.

If mediation does not resolve everything, remaining issues will go before Crone for trial. "It could tie up my court for at least six months," he said of a trial.

The University of Notre Dame's original lawsuit named Ellerbe Becket Inc., the project architect for the stadium expansion project; and Casteel Construction Corp. of South Bend, the construction management firm and general contractor.

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IRAQ

U.S. troops fire on demonstration, kill 13 Iraqis

Associated Press

FALLUJAH
U.S. paratroopers fired on anti-American protesters during a nighttime demonstration, and a hospital reported Tuesday that 13 Iraqis were killed and 75 wounded, including three young boys. Soldiers said armed men had mixed into the crowd and fired at them from nearby buildings.

The deaths outside a school in Fallujah, a conservative Sunni Muslim city and Baath Party stronghold 30 miles west of the capital, highlighted the tense and precarious balance as Americans try to keep the peace in Iraq.

Americans and Iraqis gave sharply differing accounts of Monday night's shooting. U.S. forces insisted they opened fire only upon armed men — infiltrators among the protest crowd, according to Col. Arnold Bray, commanding officer of the 1st Battalion, 325 Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division, whose troops were involved in the shooting.

"Which school kids carry AK-47s?" Bray asked. "I'm 100 percent certain the persons we shot at were armed."

Protesters insisted their demonstration was unarmed and peaceful.

Dr. Ahmed Ghandim al-Ali, director of Fallujah's general hospital, said the clash killed 13 Iraqis and injured about 75. The dead included three boys ages 8 to 10, he said.

Some residents put the death toll higher, at 15. Survivors said the dead were buried quickly Tuesday morning, in accord with Islamic custom.

No Americans were injured.

In other developments, two Iraqis on the U.S.-led coalition's 55 most-wanted list — a weapons expert nicknamed the "Missile Man" and the governor of the southern province of Basra — have surrendered, the U.S. military and Iraqi opposition sources said.

An Iraqi lawyer who helped U.S. commandos locate and rescue prisoner of war Jessica Lynch has been granted asylum in the United States, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge said.

The U.S. Army paid several thousand Baghdad policemen \$20 each and promised to bring in 4,000 more of their own officers, as Iraqis at a town hall-style meeting told the U.S. administrator that security is their top priority.

Professional thieves appear to have slipped in among the bands of looters in Iraqi museums, curators said as they urged U.S. authorities to tighten



Agence France Presse

A seriously wounded Iraqi man is attended at a hospital in Fallujah 30 miles west of Baghdad Tuesday. U.S. troops killed 13 Iraqis, including at least six children, and wounded 45 at a pro-Saddam Hussein rally.

border security and stop the flow of stolen treasures.

U.S. forces have made significant progress in restoring electricity and water to Baghdad and hope to resume television

and radio broadcasts by week's end, the commander of U.S. soldiers in the city said.

U.S. military officials say the United States has moved a regional air operations center

to Qatar from Prince Sultan Air Base in Saudi Arabia, part of the reorganization that will take place in the aftermath of the Iraq war.

Bush prods lawmakers to pass global AIDS initiative

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
President Bush asked Congress Tuesday to quickly pass a \$15 billion initiative to combat AIDS in the Caribbean and Africa, saying swift action is needed against a disease that is "leaving graves and orphans across a continent."

Bush spoke as lawmakers dug into the divisive details of a bill whose broad goals enjoy widespread support. Congress is likely to vote next month on an AIDS bill, but has run into disputes over sexual abstinence language.

The president said little about those disagreements Tuesday, instead pointing to the sweeping goals of the bill. His

initiative would prevent 7 million new HIV infections and treat at least 2 million people in the next decade, Bush said. He hoped to sign the legislation by Memorial Day.

Since he proposed the fund in January, Bush said, an estimated 760,000 people have died of AIDS and 1.2 million have been infected with HIV, he said.

"Time is not on our side," Bush told scores of people at the White House, including lawmakers, AIDS activists and African dignitaries. "So I ask Congress to move forward with the speed this crisis requires."

"There are only two possible responses to suffering on this scale — we can turn our eyes away in resignation and despair, or we can take decisive, his-

toric action to turn the tide against this disease and give the hope of life to millions," Bush said. "The United States of America chooses the path of action and the path of hope."

A House committee passed legislation earlier this month that closely reflects what Bush wants. That bill, by Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., would set aside \$15 billion over five years to expand AIDS treatment worldwide through low-cost drugs.

Hyde sat on stage with Bush, along with Secretary of State Colin Powell and Senate leaders. Among the audience members was Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., who infuriated gay groups and some Democrats last week with remarks about homosexuals and a pending Supreme Court case on a Texas sodomy

law.

Bush wants "prevention education rooted in the proven abstinence-based approach," the White House says.

But the House International Relations Committee rejected an amendment stating that promoting sexual abstinence and monogamy should have priority.

Republicans are likely to make another run at such a provision, and to ensure that religious organizations can participate in the plan without being forced to distribute condoms.

House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said the bill "is vitally important if it uses abstinence" programs that have been proven to be successful. "I'm going to wait and see how the bill unfolds before I decide whether I'm going to vote for it or not."

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Palestinian vote approves prime minister

The Palestinian parliament approved a new prime minister Tuesday, removing the last remaining obstacle for the launch of a U.S.-backed peace plan. But the historic event was followed within 12 hours by a suicide attack on a Tel Aviv bar that killed three people. The bomb blew the front off the seafront bar and demolished walls, doors and furniture inside, police said. A witness told Army Radio that a security guard at the bar prevented the bomber from entering. The dead included the bomber. It was the 89th suicide attack in 2 1/2 years of fighting. The night spot features live music and stands on a promenade that runs for several miles along the Tel Aviv beach. The U.S. Embassy is nearby, but was not damaged and was apparently not a target. There was no immediate claim of responsibility, but before the bombing, the Islamic militant movement Hamas warned it had no intention of disarming or ending attacks on Israelis. Abdel Aziz Rantisi said his group would "never drop its weapons and will not allow anyone to disarm it."

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Missouri court overturns death sentence

The Missouri Supreme Court on Tuesday narrowly overturned the conviction of a death row inmate who said he was innocent of killing a fellow prisoner 17 years ago. In a 4-3 decision, the court said Joseph Amrine had shown "clear and convincing evidence of actual innocence that undermines confidence" in his conviction. The court ordered Amrine to be freed from prison in 30 days unless the state files new murder charges. Amrine was sentenced to death for the fatal stabbing of Gary Barber in 1985 in a recreation room at the state prison in Jefferson City. Amrine, sent to prison for robbery, burglary and forgery, would have been freed in 1992 without the murder conviction. Investigators never found physical evidence linking Amrine to the knife used to stab Barber. Two inmates testified they saw Amrine stab Barber and a third said Amrine confessed to him.

Diabetes plagues Hispanic Californians

California's large and rapidly growing Hispanic population is developing diabetes at an alarming rate, a problem that poses new threats to a strained public health system, according to a report released Wednesday. The report by UCLA's Center for Health Policy Research said that nearly a quarter of retirement-age Hispanics have been diagnosed with the incurable disease — twice the percentage of whites and significantly more than Asians. The study also found that Hispanics are more likely than other populations to be uninsured, making treatment of the disease that much more challenging. "It's a significant public health problem, and it's growing," said Ann Albright, who runs the diabetes program for the California Department of Health Services. Diabetes is an incurable condition characterized by the body's inability to break down sugars in the blood. It is the nation's seventh leading cause of death and the leading cause of adult blindness, kidney failure and amputation of lower limbs.

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doesn't place too much emphasis on external rankings.

"We are pleased when we do well but we don't really pay undue attention to [rankings]," she said. "We set very high standards. It's not just a matter of going up in the ranking. We went up without selling out our values."

Joel Urbany, associate dean of the College of Business, attributed Notre Dame's increased ranking to the quality of the faculty and students and the unique environment that the University offers. He also said that a strong correlation exists between the increase in ranking and Woo's arrival.

"We've gone from being ranked in the 60s to the 20s," he said. "Our faculty research productivity and prominence have improved dramatically over the past five years."

U.S. News determines a program's ranking based on four criteria, including student selectivity, placement success, recognition by corporate recruiters and academic reputation.

Notre Dame takes all of these factors seriously, according to Urbany. Over the past four years, the number of applicants to the MBA program has increased by 142 percent and the GPA of enrolled students has climbed from 3.15 to 3.36.

Student selectivity is a priority of program coordinators,

Woo said. The 125-student program looks for applicants who qualify academically but also assesses their values.

"We're always careful of student selectivity," she said. "The quality of the students determines the quality of the program."

Urbany also said that technology plays an important part in the program's curriculum. The College uses a collaborative technology platform that facilitates communication.

"It allows groups and teams

to communicate and work together in an online setting," Urbany said, adding that such a setup reflects the way in which companies operate.

In the future, Urbany said that the College of Business will

"We probably spend less time talking about the rankings and more time talking about the values at Notre Dame."

Joel Urbany
College of Business associate dean

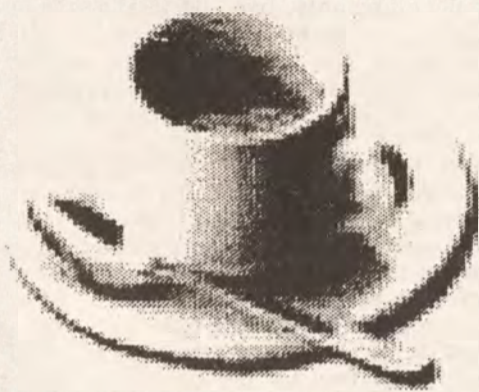
emphasize technology and recruit top faculty, fostering an environment that favors both teaching and research. Last fall, Notre Dame was ranked No. 29 by Business Week magazine and No. 18 worldwide by the Economist

Intelligence Unit, an affiliate of The Economist. Urbany, however, downplayed the importance of such rankings.

"We probably spend less time talking about the rankings and more time talking about the values at Notre Dame," he said. "While Notre Dame students are interested in academic development, they're also interested in personal development."

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IN BRIEF

Conseco, Trump head for arbitration

Conseco Inc. and Donald Trump will have arbitration hearings over ownership of the General Motors building in New York next week, after both sides told a Chicago bankruptcy judge Tuesday they have resolved some procedural issues in the matter. In a short appearance via conference call before U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Carol Doyle in Chicago, attorneys for both sides said they're ready for hearings to begin May 8. Michael Harwood, an attorney for Trump, said the parties had met and decided some procedural matters for the hearing, including how much time each side would get, who would begin, and so on. Conseco, an insurance and financial-services company based in Carmel, Ind., filed for protection from creditors last December as it struggled under more than \$6 billion in debt. A subsidiary of Conseco and Trump together bought the 50-story building in May 1998. Conseco agreed to invest more than \$200 million into the building and Trump more than \$11 million.

ATA limits quarterly losses to \$11M

The parent company of American Trans Air on Tuesday reported an \$11.4 million first-quarter loss, an improvement after three consecutive quarterly losses of more than \$50 million. The nation's 10th largest passenger carrier said it limited its losses amid financial turmoil in the airline industry through a program to use its planes and crews more efficiently. The nation's biggest operator of military charter flights also said an increase in military flights to support the war in Iraq enabled it to increase use of its fleet and more than double its military revenue. "Despite this progress, we are still reporting a net loss today, and, as I have said in two previous earnings releases, this is unacceptable," said George Mikelsons, chairman, president and chief executive. "We still have work to do before we can report the financial results that will ensure our future."

Oil futures at 5-month low

◆ Inventories expected to build

Associated Press

NEW YORK

OPEC's decision to hike its output ceiling combined with expectations of a big build in U.S. crude inventories sent oil futures on Monday to their lowest level in five and a half months.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries bucked market expectations last week by agreeing to lift its official output ceiling by 900,000 barrels a day, to 25.4 million daily barrels, beginning June 1.

Although the group also pledged to remove some 2 million barrels a day in excess production from the market, the difference between the new ceiling and OPEC's current output is seen to be around 600,000 to 800,000 barrels a day — far less than traders had expected the group to cut.

"We'll believe it when we see it," said Ed Silliere, an analyst at Energy Merchant, referring to the OPEC cut. "Let's see if they can do it."

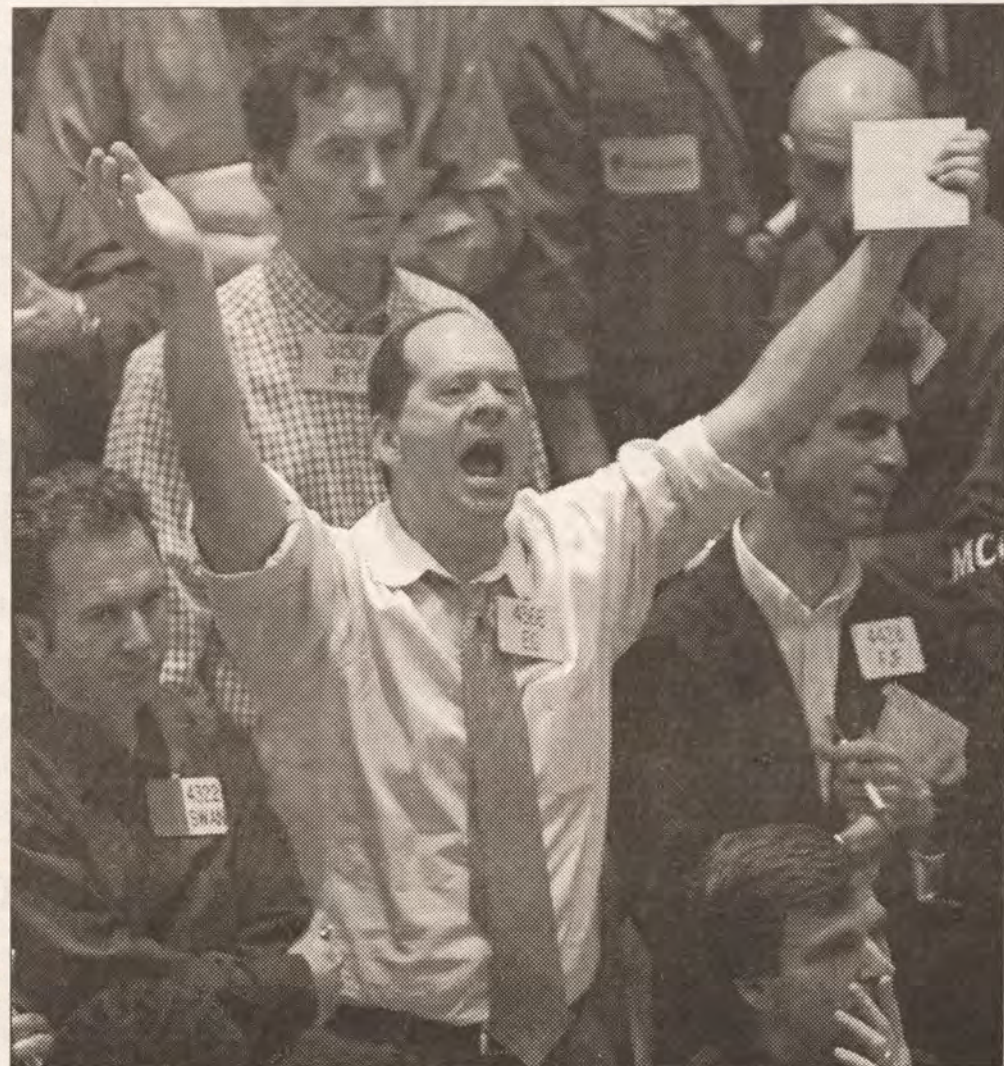
At the New York Mercantile Exchange, light, sweet crude for June delivery dropped 77 cents, or 3 percent, to settle at \$25.49 a barrel, the lowest level for a front-month contract since Nov. 14. The contract has lost 17 percent of its value in the past week.

June Brent blend futures on London's International Petroleum Exchange closed down 74 cents at \$23.35.

May heating oil lost 3.46 cents to settle at 73.14 cents a gallon, while May gasoline futures dropped 4.12 cents to settle at 84.24 cents a gallon.

Natural gas for May delivery plunged 35.4 cents to settle at \$5.123 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Silliere said petroleum-



Reuters

Traders at the floor of the New York Mercantile Exchange trade oil futures in New York City. Oil futures hit their lowest level in five and a half months Monday.

products futures have come under selling pressure ahead of the expiration of the May contracts Wednesday, the last trading day of the month.

Because the OPEC agreement doesn't take effect until June 1, analysts expect overproduction by the group will allow U.S. depleted commercial oil inventories to continue to grow.

Energy analysts surveyed by Dow Jones Newswires Monday said they expect weekly government data due out Wednesday to show U.S. crude stocks grew by 3 million to 6 million barrels last week.

The week before, the Department of Energy reported that crude stocks jumped by 9 million barrels to 286.2 million bar-

rels, as imports posted an all-time weekly high of 10.6 million barrels a day.

The output cut announced by OPEC was offset by the gigantic build in inventory, Silliere said.

"People are expecting another big build," he said.

But while OPEC's failure to cut output in the short term may allow the current high rate of imports to continue, OPEC officials made clear last week they stood ready to defend their target price of \$25 a barrel for the group's reference crude basket — the equivalent of \$27 to \$28 in New York — and that it could decide to cut output again when it meets in June.

OPEC's basket price averaged \$24.40 a barrel Friday, OPEC's official news agency reported

Monday. The threat of another output cut should prevent prices from collapsing, said Andy Lebow, an energy analyst at brokerage ED&F Man in New York.

"The onus is on [the Saudis] to decrease, and they probably will," Lebow said of OPEC's biggest producer. "I would expect that the Saudis will cut to keep the market firm."

June Nymex crude fell another 23 cents in after-hours trade.

Saudi Arabia, one of a handful of OPEC members with significant spare capacity, stepped up its production in the run-up to the war in Iraq. The kingdom is now in the position of having to make the bulk of the cuts OPEC has pledged.

Consumer confidence rises sharply

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Consumers' faith in the economy made its biggest leap in more than a decade in April, buoyed by the swift end of heavy fighting in Iraq.

The Consumer Confidence Index, which had declined for four consecutive months, rose to 81.0 from a revised 61.4 in March, the New York-based Conference Board said Tuesday. That was far better than the reading of 70 analysts expected.

The 19.6-point increase was the largest since March 1991 just after the end of the first Gulf War, when the index recorded a 21.7 point gain

to 81.1.

"The swift outcome in the Middle East has helped quell consumers' short-term concerns," said Lynn Franco, director of the Conference Board's Consumer Research Center.

But analysts said a rebound in consumer optimism doesn't necessarily foretell faster economic growth.

"The bottom line is that you can be feeling exuberant, but what counts is what you do, how much you spend," said Oscar Gonzalez, a senior economist at John Hancock Financial Services Inc.

Economists closely track consumer confidence because consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of U.S.

economic activity.

The Conference Board's index is derived from responses received through April 22 — as fighting in Iraq wound down — to a survey mailed April 1 to 5,000 households in a consumer research panel.

A separate report from the government Tuesday showing a rise in worker pay and benefits also boded well for consumer spending, but could signal a squeeze in companies' finances.

U.S. workers' wages and benefits rose by a brisk 1.3 percent in the first three months of 2003, the biggest increase in nearly 13 years, the Labor Department.

Rally

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semester and a party police broke up March 17 at College Park.

According to the party guidelines attached to the notification, guests should not "mingle in hallways or areas outside" the apartment and music should be kept to a manageable level.

Typically, Rally in the Alley is the largest second-semester party held at Turtle Creek. In the past, dozens of residents host parties in their apartments, and thousands of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students crowd the corridors between apartment buildings. Past parties have typically been broken up by South Bend police officers.

The letter said South Bend Police, Notre Dame Security and Police and Excise Police are aware of the planned party. Attempts to reach South Bend Police and Excise Police were unsuccessful. Rex Rakow, director of NDSP, said his office did not have jurisdiction in Turtle Creek, which is adjacent to the east side of campus.

"We only end up off campus at the request of another agency," Rakow said.

He added that NDSP has not been contacted to assist an outside agency in breaking up Rally in the Alley.

The resident manager of Turtle Creek Apartments, Tammy Michelbrink, declined to comment.

Rarely has Excise Police, the agency in charge of monitoring alcohol-related laws, been

involved in breaking up past Rally in the Alleys.

But Excise Police broke up a St. Patrick's Day party at College Park apartments, and officers from that agency have also been involved in raiding two bars this semester — The Boat Club in January and The Library Irish Pub Friday.

It is unclear what effect — if any — the warning will have on the size of Rally in the Alley.

Kim Milford, a Notre Dame senior and Turtle Creek resi-

dent, said she and her roommates are still deciding whether to throw a party.

"After what we have seen at College Park [on Saint Patrick's Day] and all the extra security at Pig Tostal, it's just not worth it and it has ruined off-campus parties," Milford said.

Milford said she would think twice before attending Rally if she were underage and selling cups to students.

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CCC

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can fundraise on their own."

When the CCC policy was first made, many club officers were worried that the change would affect the productivity of their clubs. But the CCC believes that requiring clubs to raise some of their own funds is not asking them to do anything differently from what they would normally

do.

The majority of clubs were already raising some of their own funding, so the change now officially requires a fundraiser from each club across the board. The CCC vote to change the Council's funding bylaws is one element of the new strategic plan that will continue to give more student ownership and secure more funding to campus clubs.

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Ugandan choir to perform at Holy Cross

By NICOLA BUNICK
News Writer

The African Children's Choir, which consists of 26 Ugandan children, most of them orphans between the ages of five and 12 years old, will perform a repertoire of gospel tunes and spirituals Wednesday night at 7 p.m. at Holy Cross College.

The choir, which tours internationally, is run by Friends from the West, an organization which sets up schools in poverty stricken countries such as Uganda to educate and prepare children for professional careers so they can help revive their countries.

Children who are selected for the choir spend one year touring with the group. Although they do not charge admission to their concerts, but do ask for audience donations, these tour performances generate enough profits to support the choir as well as the schools back in Africa. The choir has performed on CBS This Morning, Good Morning America and The Today Show. They have also appeared before the United Nations, various presidents and dignitaries, and in television commercials.

The group first came to Holy Cross two years ago and Campus Ministry director, Robert Kloska, who coordinated the group's visit to campus, is excited to have them return. "Last time [the choir was on campus,] it was such a great success," he said. "It generated so much excitement and people had such a great experience with them."

A former Holy Cross student who had connections to the group informed Kloska about the choir.

Bringing the choir to campus seemed like a natural tie-in with Kloska's Ghana program which he had begun only two years earlier. Each summer, Kloska takes a group of 12 to 14 students to spend time with the Holy Cross brothers in Ghana.

"The trip is really a life changing experience," said Kloska. "It helps people to address the question of the meaning of life, happiness and stuff like that."

Kloska was encouraged to start the program in 2000 when students expressed an interest in visiting Bangladesh after hearing a presentation by a brother from the Holy Cross mission there. Kloska proposed the idea to the College's president, Brother Richard Gilman. Although Gilman felt that Bangladesh was too rough for such a trip, he suggested that they pursue a project with the Holy Cross Mission in Ghana where he had lived for several years.

Starting next year, what began as an elective three-credit religious studies program will become a required part of the curriculum for some Holy Cross students. All students who enroll in Holy Cross's new four-year baccalaureate program will now participate in the Ghana summer program as part of their requirements for graduation.

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Class to speak about Cuba trip

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

Selected members of Father Robert Pelton's, "From Power to Communion" class will speak about their experiences visiting Cuba over Spring Break as part of his course. The panel discussion entitled: "Cuba Libre? Reflections Upon the Catholic Church in Cuba Today," will be held today in C-103 Hesburgh Center for International Studies at 7 p.m. and is open to the public.

"People know very little about the Catholic Church in Cuba," Pelton said. "What we wanted to do was see what was going on."

Pelton's students, which included undergraduates, Law School and Masters of Divinity students, will speak on selected themes including human rights, health care, ministry, the role of women and literacy as they conducted research and spent time in dialogue with Cuban scholars.

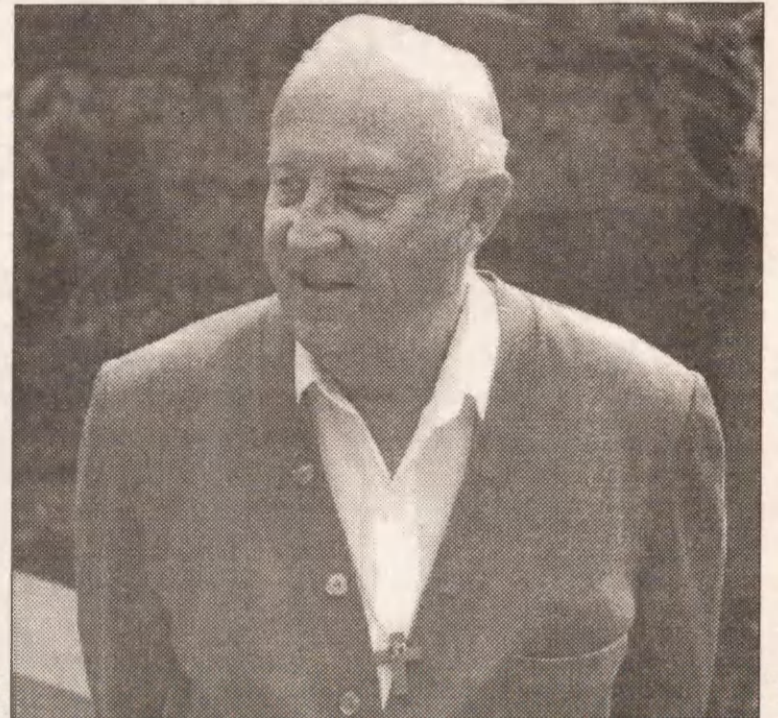
Shannon Benbow, a third-year law student, presented her research on microcredit and small businesses in Cuba to a Saint Mary's economics class and will participate in tonight's presentation.

"The students [had] prepared themselves really well [for the trip to Cuba] — I was very impressed," Pelton said.

Sairah Saeed, a second-year law student, said her interest in human rights issues led her to explore politics, society and human rights in Cuba.

"Cuba is such an anomaly in this side of the world. It is the country closest to the U.S. that still espouses communist beliefs with rigor and I wanted to explore why that was, how Cuban people felt about their government and their lives under Castro, and why it is that the current regime has survived," she said.

As a Muslim student in a Catholic theology class, Saeed said that she initially struggled



Courtesy of the South Bend Tribune

Father Robert Pelton's theology class will talk about their Spring Break trip to Cuba today in the Hesburgh Center.

to find a topic that could be comparative in its approach. Although she originally believed the Muslim influence in Cuba to be small, she said that further research while in Cuba proved otherwise.

"Most people I talked to [in Cuba] told me there were no Muslims in Cuba, only a few diplomats who met in a building in Havana for Friday prayers. I and many of my classmates found, while in Cuba, that sometimes people do not speak as freely because of fear of repercussions by the government ... so I thought that I might not be getting the whole story," she said. "Eager to find out more, I continued to investigate and found out that this building [in Havana] was an Arab Cultural Center. The research I did upon returning further revealed the large influence Arab culture had on Cuba; I therefore decided to focus on this topic."

Pelton, the director of Notre Dame's Latin American/North

America Church Concerns Institute, said that he decided to take 13 of his students to Cuba in order to have them experience first-hand a greater understanding of the Catholic Church's role in a socialist country.

"We were interested in seeing how the Catholic Church operates under a socialist regime. To have that experience — it's a totally different experience coming from the U.S. It was a fresh, revealing experience and it helped [us] realize that the opportunities here [in the United States] are not available in Cuba [and are ones] to take more advantage of," he said.

The Kellogg Institute for International Studies' research on the Cuban diaspora led to knowledge of many Cuban contacts both in the United States and in Cuba. Additionally, Pelton visited Cuba three times in 2002 in order to establish some further contacts and said that he hopes to take another group in the spring of 2004.

"There are some courageous people ... we wanted to walk with them and listen to their stories," Pelton said.

Students said that their experience in Cuba provided an education far different than what could be found in a classroom.

"I learned more on the Cuba trip about society, economy, culture, people and faith in Cuba, among other things, than I could ever learn in a classroom," Saeed said.

The panel discussion will feature selections from a videotape made during the class trip to Havana as well as a PowerPoint presentation of pictures. Members of his class will participate in a panel discussion, answering questions posed by Pelton, after which the floor will be open for general questions.

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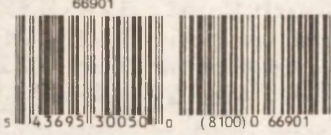
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SMC mission statement changes

By LAUREN O'BRIEN
News Writer

The Saint Mary's Board of Trustees approved a revised version of the College's mission statement at their meeting this past Friday.

Before the Board of Trustees approved the revision, the Mission Council and the writing committee, which included the whole Saint Mary's community, revised the statement.

According to Sister Rose Anne Schultz, vice president for Mission, the new mission statement is part of the College's Strategic Plan. Also, the search for a new Saint Mary's president requires a clear mission statement.

During the College's last accreditation process, the Higher Learning

Commission determined that a clearer and more concise statement was necessary. While the mission was not changed, the articulation of it is different. The new document contains a more succinct mission statement, as well as a more extensive statement of philosophy and purpose.

"In today's world, it is important to prepare women leaders with the four qualities in the new mission statement: intellectual vigor, aesthetic appreciation, reli-

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gious sensibility and social responsibility," Schultz said.

Schultz hopes to have the new mission statement printed on cards to be distributed to students as the 2003-04 academic year begins with the Circle of Blessings on August 25.

"Ideally, everyone here should know [the mission statement] and live by it," Schultz said. "It should be the touchstone for everything they do."

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Alumna collecting
pop tabs for charityBy SARAH NESTOR
Senior Staff Writer

When Elizabeth Elmore, both a Saint Mary's and Notre Dame alum (then Elizabeth Christopher), volunteered to head service projects within the Notre Dame south Jersey alumni club, her goal of increasing service in Jersey quickly expanded to include her alma mater's campuses.

Elmore earned her undergraduate degree in 1968 and then when on to earn a doctorate in economics from Notre Dame in 1976. Currently, Elmore is teacher in New Jersey and an active member of Saint Mary's and Notre Dame's New Jersey alumni clubs.

It was not until 2001, when the University charged the alumni with the duty of increasing service to the community, that Elmore began to see a broader vision of incorporating service.

Elmore began by focusing on charity and found that the Ronald McDonald House's collection of the aluminum can tabs, which are recycled and turned into cash, to be a charity that everyone could easily become involved in.

"Anywhere and everywhere people would be aware of saving the tab," Elmore said.

Now, Elmore is hoping to promote greater collection of flip tons on Saint Mary's and Notre

Dame's campuses. For the past two years, Elmore has been working to put everything in place, making her initial contacts through e-mail and eventually visiting both campuses this spring to sort out the final details.

Elmore said that she hopes to have campus wide support and recruit student volunteers. Elmore said, "anywhere there is a can" she wants to have a "separate receptacle for the tabs." This is where the "Collect a Million" campaign comes in, as Elmore hopes students will remember to save aluminum can tabs.

Elmore's biggest undertaking in her campaign is to increase awareness about saving aluminum can tabs at Notre Dame home football games.

"I see all those cans with 80,000 people filling the stadium," Elmore said.

According to Elmore it takes 1,000 tabs to equal one pound, and that one-pound equals 35 cents. With this in mind, Elmore hopes to increase the campuses environmental consciousness and Elmore's long-term vision "is that when people become aware of it then it's just something you do."

Elmore also intends that all funds collected through the Saint Mary's and Notre Dame's "Collect a Million" campaign will stay in Indiana, preferably in South Bend.

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U-WIRE

Cornell grad student found dead

By BRIAN TSAO & MARC ZAWEL

Cornell Daily Sun

ITHACA, N.Y.

In the wake of three student deaths in the past month, Cornell students were again faced with the loss of another classmate on Friday.

Mihoko Kajikawa grad was found dead at her 111 Ferris Place residence by Ithaca Police Department officials at an unspecified time, according to Linda Grace-Kobas, director of the Cornell News Service.

Kajikawa was found after "police had been alerted that she hadn't been seen that day," Grace-Kobas said.

Details surrounding Kajikawa's death, and whether or not it was a sui-

cide, are still unclear.

"I don't have the why or the how," Grace-Kobas said.

Medical examiners have yet to fully examine Kajikawa, making it difficult to speculate on the exact cause of death, according to Grace-Kobas.

Kajikawa, a student from Japan, had been studying in the Asian studies department.

The office of the dean of students held a community support meeting on Sunday to discuss possible plans for a memorial service, Grace-Kobas added.

"Her family is arriving today. We won't know [of the plans] until they get here," said Susan Murphy, vice president for student and academic services, Monday.

"These are tragedies," President Hunter Rawlings III

told The Sun last week in an interview. "Each is an individual and each has its own circumstances."

The death of Kajikawa is the fourth in a string of student deaths at Cornell beginning on April 1, several of which are still being investigated.

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SARS tests en route to labs

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The government is about to ship to laboratories the first experimental tests that may help doctors tell which people with worrisome coughs and fevers really have the SARS virus. Probable cases of the new respiratory illness in the United States have slowly climbed to 52.

While the United States so far has escaped the brunt of the mysterious disease, a new survey suggests the vast majority of Americans know enough about the global epidemic to take proper precautions — including when to call a doctor and agreeing to be quarantined in their homes or a hospital if necessary.

That's very reassuring, because isolating suspected patients for now is the best way to stop the infection's spread, Dr. Julie Gerberding, head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, told Congress Tuesday.

"Our public is informed, they are willing to cooperate," Gerberding said in highlighting results of the

Harvard School of Public Health survey.

Some 94 percent of those surveyed said they would agree to be isolated for two or three weeks in a hospital if they had SARS, and 92 percent would agree to quarantine for up to 10 days — the SARS incubation period — in their home if they were exposed to someone suspected of having the illness.

With a vaccine still at least a year away and no drug treatment on the horizon, quarantine and old-fashioned infection-control practices are the only defense, Gerberding stressed. They work, as Canada proved in persuading the World Health Organization Tuesday that it had brought SARS spread in its largest city under control.

"If we need to take those steps, we are prepared to," Gerberding told a Senate health committee.

More than 5,300 SARS infections have been reported in more than 20 countries so far — most in China — and the global death toll is at least 355. Outside Asia, Canada has seen the most SARS cases, with 21 deaths and more than 140 cases

overall, most in Toronto hospitals.

In the United States, there are 52 probable cases of infection, 11 more than last week, and 220 suspected cases. No one here has died so far, and U.S. specialists can't explain why.

But, "we are very close to a reliable diagnostic test, weeks, not months," Gerberding said.

Using two experimental tests, the CDC so far has concluded that six of the 52 probably infected patients have laboratory-confirmed SARS and 12 have tested negative, she said. All 40 of the suspected cases tested so far appear not to have SARS.

The CDC will begin shipping the first experimental test kits to several laboratories by week's end, Gerberding said. But the tests — which check for viral genes and SARS antibodies, the immune-system cells that attack infection — are "a research tool," she stressed. A negative test won't clear someone who has SARS symptoms or was exposed to the virus — they still must be isolated for the appropriate amount of time.

Supreme Court to decide election suit

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court grappled Tuesday with the issues of politics, race and elections in a case that will decide what states must do to protect minority voting rights.

The justices are considering how states can redraw election districts that previously had dense minority populations without violating a federal voting law. States and local governments must draw boundaries every 10 years if needed to reflect population changes.

The high court's decision, expected before July, will affect states that are subject to the 1965 Voting Rights Act because of past discrimination.

Georgia's attorney urged the court to permit some flexibility in line drawing.

"Politics should be open and integrated," said David Walbert, pointing to what he called progress in that state that "no one would have dreamed of in 1965."

Many black leaders supported a contested plan to reduce the number of minority voters in several heavily black Senate districts, because shifting some minority voters to neighboring districts would help Democrats beat Republicans.

A lower court rejected those boundaries under the Voting Rights Act. Congress must decide in 2007 whether to renew part of the law which justices are interpreting in this case.

"Maybe if we make it bad enough, they'll think about repealing it," Justice Antonin Scalia said to laughter in the court.

The case came before the court as the state was embroiled in a dispute over displaying a Confederate symbol on its flag. Voters last year defeated the Democratic governor who orchestrated a change in the 1956 state flag to reduce the size of a Confederate emblem that had

dominated the old design.

Gov. Sonny Perdue, who became the state's first GOP governor in 130 years in part because he promised a vote on the flag, had tried to stop justices from hearing the redistricting case.

The politics of the case are unusual. The Bush administration, along with Perdue, contend that the Democratic-controlled Legislature went too far in reducing minority voting strength in those heavily black districts. The Voting Rights Act discourages dilution of minority voting strength.

Malcolm Stewart, arguing for the Bush administration, said that the state could not dramatically alter districts, making it tougher for minority candidates to win. He said the federal government objected to Georgia's plan because of a history of racial polarization in several districts.

Several justices commented on the politics involved. Scalia said that it made sense that blacks would want to spread around minority voters to avoid a "lilly white district ... so they won't get some red-neck discriminatory" representative.

Justice Anthony Kennedy questioned what a state was to do if it were "frozen" with districts with large black populations.

Redistricting often leads to court fights. Georgia's line-drawing also was disputed after the 1990 census in a case that prompted a 1995 Supreme Court ruling that race cannot be the predominant factor in the drawing of district lines.

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg inquired about an earlier court fight between the new Georgia governor, Perdue, and state Attorney General Thurbert Baker, a black Democrat. Perdue sued and lost in an effort to get Baker to drop his efforts to restore the contested districting plan. Baker is appealing the federal district court ruling that rejected the contested plan.

Rare Southern earthquake hits

Associated Press

FORT PAYNE, Ala.

A rare Southern earthquake rattled seven states early Tuesday, shaking people out of their sleep and cracking foundations but causing no major damage or injuries.

Some people thought the boom and rumble was a bomb, a gas truck explosion, a tornado, even terrorism, but

their fright soon gave way to nervous laughter.

"The quake shook up the chicken shed so bad they all laid scrambled eggs," Jim Toler joked over breakfast at a restaurant. "It bounced us pretty heavy."

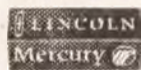
The magnitude 4.9 quake, tying the record for Alabama, struck around 4 a.m. and was centered near Fort Payne, close to the Georgia line, the U.S. Geological Survey said. It

was felt in parts of Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina and Mississippi.

Residents said the earth moved for as long as a minute, including mild aftershocks that were described as being like a hard wind blowing against the side of the house. Many were surprised by the thundering noise that accompanied the vibrations.

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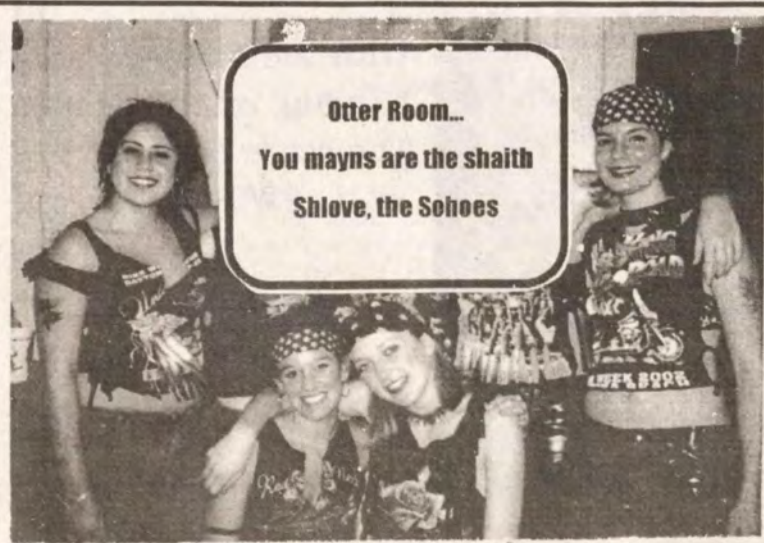
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WHO lifts Toronto travel advisory

Associated Press

GENEVA

The World Health Organization lifted its warning against nonessential travel to Toronto because of SARS on Tuesday, but in Asia the disease continued its spread as Hong Kong reported 12 new deaths, China nine and Singapore one.

The global death toll from SARS climbed to at least 355, with more than 5,300 infections in more than 20 countries, including probable cases reported for the first time in South Korea, Mongolia and New Zealand.

Travel warnings still stand for Hong Kong, Beijing and two Chinese provinces, as China's premier admitted his government failed to act quickly against the disease.

In return for the WHO's decision, the Canadian government promised to do more to prevent the spread of SARS, or severe acute respiratory syndrome, by screening passengers leaving the country.

World Health Organization Director-General Gro Harlem Brundtland said the advisory was lifted because there had been no new outbreaks in the community at large for 20 days. She stressed that Toronto is still an "affected area" and travel guidance would be reevaluated if there are any new cases.

The decision to lift the advisory takes effect Wednesday. Canadian officials were delighted.

"Our city is safe and I want everyone to come and experience all that Toronto has to offer," Toronto Mayor Mel Lastman said.

Tony Clement, health minister for Ontario province, and his delegation met Brundtland for an hour earlier Tuesday in Geneva.

They said Canadian authorities would introduce new screening measures on people leaving the country.

Hong Kong and Singapore already have put such screening measures into effect.

"We certainly know our vigilance must not stop and that we have a responsibility inside and outside our own borders to continue and to win the fight against SARS," Clement said in Geneva.

Health officials are stationed at Canada's major airports to watch for symptoms

of SARS among passengers arriving from SARS hotspots in Asia, where the illness originated. All international travelers receive information cards on SARS, and similar measures now will be applied to passengers leaving Toronto.

Outside Asia, Canada has seen the most SARS cases, with 21 deaths and more than 140 cases overall. The majority of the cases have been in Toronto hospitals and health authorities have used quarantine and close monitoring and tracking to try to contain the illness.

Canada wasted no time in taking steps to lure tourists and other visitors back to Toronto. Measures announced or proposed included waiving hotel taxes for the summer in Ontario province, dinner-theater-baseball-hotel packages at reduced prices from Toronto's top producers, and a multimillion-dollar marketing campaign.

"There is a need for us to recognize the fact that the SARS epidemic is going to be a long-term, a complex and a relapsing epidemic," Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao said at an emergency summit of the 10-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations in Bangkok, Thailand.

"What we lacked was prevention and control experience. Our countermeasures were, by far, inadequate. We have already learned our lesson."

The WHO says the incidence of SARS probably has peaked in many places, but it fears the situation is worsening in China, where 200 new infections were announced Tuesday. There have been at least 148 deaths there.

Nearly 10,000 people who might have been exposed to the virus have been put under home quarantine in China — including 7,600 in Beijing.

Brundtland said now that Chinese authorities were being more open about the extent of the disease, it would be easier to help them.

"We believe we have a window of opportunity to contain SARS globally now," the former Norwegian prime minister said.

Brundtland said the WHO would maintain its advice to avoid all nonessential travel to Hong Kong — as well as the other hard-hit areas of mainland China.

NIGERIA

Striking workers take hostages

Associated Press

LAGOS

Striking Nigerian oil workers have seized 97 hostages, including 17 Americans, on several offshore oil rigs, officials said Tuesday. Some captives said they feared armed rescue attempts would end in disaster.

There were conflicting reports about whether the hostages had been threatened. One wrote an e-mail that said the hostage-takers warned they would blow up the rigs if attacked, but oil officials dismissed reports that any oil workers had been threatened. A Scottish union official said the strikers appeared willing to give up.

The rigs, owned by Houston-based Transocean, were drilling wells on behalf of oil multinationals Royal/Dutch Shell and TotalFinaElf.

"Make no mistake of the danger we're in," one hostage said in an e-mail message read by Jake Molloy, general secretary of the Offshore Industry Liaison Committee, an Aberdeen, Scotland-based labor union which has members among the hostages. "If they have lost everything, they will make sure we lose everything. And that means our lives."

Transocean spokesman Guy Cantwell said late Tuesday those being held against their will included at 17 Americans and 35 Britons.

Western diplomats earlier put the number of American hostages at 21. Some 170 Nigerian "third-party personnel" from other companies who were not taking part in the strike were also onboard, Cantwell said without giving details.

A British hostage told his wife early Tuesday that the hostage-takers were threatening to blow up the rigs if anyone tried to storm them, Molloy said.

The woman, whom Molloy declined to identify for safety reasons, however said her husband did not believe the strikers had explosives. Molloy did not know if the strikers had guns, although he said some hostages said their captors were armed with the installations' firefighting axes.

Nigeria is one of the world's largest oil exporters and the fifth largest producer of U.S. oil imports. Sabotage and hostage takings by community activists, labor groups and thugs are relatively common in the Niger Delta, where nearly all of Nigeria's oil is drilled. Hostages rarely are harmed.

About 100 hostage takers, who work on the rigs, have been holding the workers since April 19. But it was not immediately clear why the hostage-takings were not announced until Tuesday.

Transocean announced April 22 that a strike had begun but did not mention captive workers. Other oil companies in the past have preferred to deal with such crises out of the glare of media coverage.

The strikers were protesting a decision by Transocean to use boats instead of helicopters to ferry them from company rigs about 25 miles offshore the restive Niger Delta state of Rivers, said Joseph Akinlaja, secretary-general of Nigeria's largest oil workers' union.

The strikers also were angered by company threats to discipline five union members, Akinlaja

said, adding his union did not support their strike.

Transocean chief executive officer Robert L. Long described the negotiations as "delicate," and expressed hopes the standoff would be peacefully resolved "within a week." He dismissed reports that any expatriates had been threatened.

"Right now the situation is very calm on all the rigs," Long said in a conference call with investors and journalists. "I know there has been some rumors of threats of violence ... but we've not had any threats of violence."

Thirty-four people were allowed to leave two rigs by boat Monday, Transocean spokesman Guy Cantwell said. Two were Transocean employees, while the others work for third-party service companies.

He could not confirm the nationalities of those who left. It was also unclear whether 97 hostages were originally taken — or if that was the number still held after Monday's release. The rigs are about 25 miles off the West African nation's coastline.

Many of the strikers had signaled they would be willing to end their standoff but wanted assurances first they wouldn't lose their jobs, Molloy said.

Cantwell said the 100 striking workers were being served court injunctions. Molloy feared the court papers could be used to justify a security force attack on the facilities, although Cantwell said the company hoped to resolve the impasse peacefully.

Shell spokesman Donald Boham said company officials were involved in the talks. He was also unaware of any threats being made.

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IRELAND

Peace deal possibly endangered

Associated Press

BELFAST — Protestant die-hards launched their campaign Tuesday for legislative elections by vowing to block future power-sharing with Catholics, the cornerstone of Northern Ireland's 1998 peace agreement.

"Unless we destroy the agreement, we will be destroyed forever," Democratic Unionist leader Ian Paisley, 77, declared to a standing ovation at a party rally.

Paisley's remarks reflect rising Protestant opposition to sharing power with Catholics — particularly with hardliners from Sinn Fein — in a joint administration for this British territory.

Polls and the most recent elections indicate growing support for the extremes of Northern Irish opinion: Paisley's Democratic Unionists versus Sinn Fein, the IRA-linked party.

Analysts agree that if either party surges past moderate rivals, reconstructing a cross-community coalition could prove impossible.

Moderate Protestants led by Ulster Unionist Party chief David Trimble have argued that negotiating with Sinn Fein represents the only way to eliminate the IRA threat to Northern Ireland stability. Paisley insists IRA members should be jailed or killed.

The British government has not decided whether to let the May 29 vote for the moribund 108-member Northern Ireland

Assembly go ahead. Britain and the neighboring Republic of Ireland want the IRA to commit more fully to disarmament and ending criminal activities, chiefly to bolster Trimble's support among Protestants.

The governments have spent several weeks negotiating with Sinn Fein, but so far have rejected proposed IRA pledges on those issues as too vague.

A 12-member, four-party Cabinet led by Trimble gained power in December 1999, but suffered a series of breakdowns and has been on ice since October, when police uncovered evidence of an IRA spy ring inside government circles.

Paisley denounced Trimble for pursuing the 1998 Good Friday accord's plans for a broad Catholic-Protestant administration involving Sinn Fein.

When voters elected the first Assembly in 1998, moderate Catholics from the Social Democratic and Labor Party retained a comfortable lead over Sinn Fein, but Trimble managed only a razor-thin hold on the Protestant side of the house, with 30 seats to Paisley's 28.

Elections in 2001 and 2002 for local councils and British parliamentary seats showed a surge in support for Paisley's Democratic Unionists and Sinn Fein.

Trimble warned Tuesday of dire consequences if the Democratic Unionists and Sinn Fein gain the upper hand in the legislature.

"If we find that the political future is in the hands of extremes on both sides then there will be a nightmare scenario," Trimble said.

Negotiators from Britain and Ireland believe Trimble could form a new coalition with a strengthened Sinn Fein — but only if the IRA demonstrates, in word and deed, it never will resume its campaign to unite Northern Ireland with the Irish Republic.

The IRA killed 1,800 people from 1970 to 1997.

IRA supporters, who say the group's 1997 cease-fire ought to be sufficient, have resisted further commitments before an election. They cite the prospect of Paisley beating Trimble as one reason why.

In his election address, Paisley denounced "the IRA-Sinn Fein liars, the cowards, the murderers, the killers of hundreds of mothers, fathers, children and unborn babies, as well as men and women serving in the Crown forces."

Paisley founded a virulently anti-Catholic sect, the Free Presbyterian Church of Ulster, in 1951 and still preaches every weekend.

He rose to political prominence in the late 1960s, leading demonstrations against Catholic civil rights protesters, and served a six-week jail term.

He has been a member of British Parliament since 1970 and the European Parliament since 1979, recording the highest share of votes across Northern Ireland at each election.

AFGHANISTAN

General: Arms are being sold to rebels

Associated Press

BAGRAM

Renegade groups in Iran and Pakistan are providing a lifeline to rebels who continue to menace U.S. forces in Afghanistan's lawless border regions, a top U.S. commander warned Tuesday.

Despite international efforts to choke off terrorists' funding, supporters in neighboring countries are succeeding in getting cash and weapons over Afghanistan's rugged mountains, Maj. Gen. John Vines told reporters.

"I think there are renegade elements in Iran who have an interest in controlling a portion of Afghanistan," Vines said. "I think there are elements in Pakistan — not the government — that have an interest in creating instability."

Vines spoke after a ceremony which for the first time brought combat operations by U.S. forces and its allies under the same command as all other coalition activities.

Vines, commander of 82nd Airborne Division forces in Afghanistan, handed control of combat missions to Lt. Gen. D a n McNeill, the overall commander of coalition troops in the country.

As commander in charge of the coalition combat missions over the past nine months, Vines has studied Afghanistan and its terrain.

He knows well what dangers lurk in its mountains and valleys.

A firefight on Friday killed two U.S. soldiers under his command. Another two U.S. Special Forces soldiers died last month in an ambush by rebel fighters.

Vines, who is staying on as McNeill's deputy, said streamlining the command did not mean fewer combat missions. But Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said last weekend he would discuss declaring an end to Afghanistan as a combat zone with Afghan leaders and U.S. military officials.

Rumsfeld was due in the Afghan capital Kabul on Sunday, but was delayed.

Currently on a trip to the Persian Gulf, he is now expected in Afghanistan later this week.

Whatever declarations are made, Vines said rebels in parts of Afghanistan would remain a serious threat.

"In certain parts, the country is stable. In other parts, it's terribly dangerous," Vines said. "That has not changed and that probably won't change in the foreseeable future."

Holdouts from the Taliban regime, fugitives from the al-Qaida terrorist network and followers of renegade rebel leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar can assemble small groups of fighters who can kill or injure coalition troops and civilians, he said.

He insisted his appraisal didn't run counter to Washington's moves toward changing the status of its Afghan mission. "It's not a disconnect at all," he said. Militants in any country may occasionally succeed in overpowering authorities in isolated cases, he said.

Terrorists' support from allies in neighboring countries was one of the major obstacles that has kept coalition forces from eliminating the rebels, he said.

The shadowy benefactors are motivated by a combination of tribalism, religious zealotry, a share of Afghanistan's lucrative opium crop and — in some cases — raw power, Vines said.

"The one thing that makes this extraordinarily complicated is all of those factors are in play here," he said.

Unfortunately for the coalition and the country's fragile interim government, if there was ever an ideal country for fomenting unrest it's Afghanistan, he said.

"If you had to design an area to support an anti-government movement, you might describe an area like this," Vines said. "Multiple borders, extreme distances, lack of road infrastructure, high mountains, weak central government, areas where there are religious or tribal [conflicts] ... it applies absolutely right here."

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UNITED NATIONS

U.S. criticizes Cuba before U.N.

♦ Human Rights Commission of U.N. grants Cuba another term

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS
The United States walked out of a United Nations meeting Tuesday to protest Cuba's election to the U.N. Human Rights Commission for another three-year term.

"It was an outrage for us because we view Cuba as the worst violator of human rights in this hemisphere," said Sichan Siv, the U.S. ambassador to the U.N. Economic and Social Council, which elected 24 new members to the top U.N. human rights watchdog.

The election came four days after the 53-member Human Rights Commission ended its annual six-week session in Geneva. Critics said that meeting was dominated by political horsetrading and did little for the victims of human rights abuses.

During this year's session, commission members narrowly passed a resolution calling on Cuba to accept a visit by a human rights investigator, but failed to approve an amendment criticizing the country's recent crackdown on the opposition — leading to Cuban claims of a "moral victory."

Members also used a procedural move to block discussion of alleged human rights violations in Zimbabwe, ended scrutiny of Sudan and rejected a resolution condemning Russia's record in Chechnya.

In Tuesday's vote, Russia was also re-elected to another three-year term on the commission. Saudi Arabia and several African countries with poor human rights record also gained seats on the commission.

"Cuba and Russia each have very serious human rights problems and have failed to cooperate with the commission despite many resolutions against them," said Joanna Weschler, U.N. representative for Human Rights Watch. "It's outrageous that they should be rewarded for this performance with another term on the commission."

Under U.N. rules, regional groups decide who fills seats on U.N. bodies.

Latin America chose Cuba, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Honduras and Peru for six open seats, meaning no vote was necessary in the Economic and Social Council and all six countries were elected by acclamation.

Siv said he walked out of the Economic and Social Council chamber as Cuba's election was announced — and again about 1 1/2 hours later when the Cuban representative got up to speak.

Siv said Cuba's election was discouraging because while the U.N. Human Rights Commission met in Geneva, Cuba rounded up opposition leaders and sentenced dozens to jail, some for more than 20 years.

Fidel Castro's government also arrested and quickly executed three men who hijacked a ferry earlier this month. Cuban officials say four recent hijacking plots — among them the April 2 seizing of the ferry — were prompted in part by what it calls a lax attitude by American authorities toward hijackers who reach U.S. shores.

"This is a country that for 40 years has not held an election," Siv said. "It's a country that arrests people and puts them in jail at the whim of a dictator. That's why we were so outraged when the candidacies were endorsed this morning."

Representative Mark Foley, R-Fla. said he would introduce a resolution in the House calling for the United Nations to reverse its decision.

"Whether it's Saddam Hussein or Fidel Castro, the U.N. has repeatedly protected tyrants, torturers and murderers," Foley said. "Allowing Cuba to stay on the Human Rights Commission is like honoring Saddam Hussein with the Nobel Peace Prize."

In April 2002, the United States won back a seat on the commission it lost the previous year. Until that surprise defeat, the United States had been on the commission for 50 years.

Britain was re-elected to the commission. Western nations had four candidates for three seats — and Britain, Italy and the Netherlands defeated Portugal.

"Allowing Cuba to stay on the Human Rights Commission is like honoring Saddam Hussein with the Nobel Peace Prize."

Mark Foley
U.S. House representative

QATAR

Qataris approve 'first' constitution

Associated Press

DOHA

Qatari voters approved their first real constitution Tuesday — a leap toward democratic rule in a country where the emir has held absolute power since independence from Britain in 1971.

The constitution was approved in a referendum by 96.6 percent of the voters — 68,987 to 2,145, with 274 invalid votes, Qatar's Interior Minister, Prince Hamad bin Nasser Al Thani, announced at a news conference four hours after the polls had closed.

Crowds of Qatari men celebrated in the streets, honking cars draped in the Qatari flag and photos of the emir and the crown prince.

The draft will become Qatar's first real constitution, replacing a 1972 "Provisional Political Order" that outlined only limited government structures and did not lay out voting or other rights.

The constitution envisages a 45-member parliament, of which 30 will be elected in polls where women may stand and vote. The remaining 15 — as well as the Cabinet — will be appointed by the emir.

However, legislators will have the right to question Cabinet ministers, enact legislation and vote on the national budget.

Government officials said before the vote that parliamentary elections would be held in 2004.

Government officials were unable to provide a total for

the number of eligible voters. Out of Qatar's 800,000 inhabitants, only about 25 percent are citizens.

But the polls appeared busy throughout the day.

Men wearing white robes and headdresses and women in black chadors that exposed only the eyes and hands entered schools and government buildings through separate entrances to cast ballots.

At an elementary school on the outskirts of Doha, the capital of the tiny state, Ali al-Khater, a businessman,

"Every person hopes for a better future and this constitution is going to help us realize this future."

Ali al-Khater
Qatari businessman

said he had read the draft constitution several times and had voted "yes."

"Every person hopes for a better future and this constitution is going to help us realize this future," al-Khater said.

One last-minute voter, Umm el-Jassim, said she had been busy all day but "wouldn't have missed it for anything."

The emir, Sheik Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, Crown Prince Jassem bin Hamad Al Thani and Prime Minister Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Thani voted at a polling station erected in the emir's palace.

Qataris first voted in 1999 municipal elections. The advisory Central Municipal Council was re-elected earlier this month.

Women have been able to vote and run in the elections — a rarity in the conservative Gulf Arab states.

At Qatar University's polling stations, turnout on the female campus was reportedly twice that on the male campus.

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University should release faculty salaries

When Notre Dame English professor Valerie Sayers received a dramatic and unexpected salary increase, she was elated at first. Then, she started wondering why she got the increase.

Was it because of outstanding work she had accomplished? Was it because Notre Dame, in an attempt to make salaries between males and females more equitable, dramatically increased women's pay so the females could catch up with the men?

Or did the pay increase leave Sayers' salary still behind that of her equally-qualified male colleagues?

Sayers never knew. And that's a problem.

According to a story published in Friday's Observer, the University traditionally does not reveal information

about faculty salaries. Although the Office of Institutional Research publishes averages for the entire University, that doesn't help faculty in specific colleges or departments who wonder if their salaries

are equitable to what their colleagues make. And so, when it comes time to negotiate a salary increase, faculty are left in the dark because they don't know

how fairly they are being treated — or even if they are being treated fairly at all.

The easiest solution for the University is to publish salary averages by departments and gender. This would avoid embarrassing individual employees who do not want their salaries made public while at the same time giving professors some idea of how their salary relates to others in their department. The benefits — for both sides — would be huge. For the University, which claims it is making

huge strides in gender equity when it comes to payroll, publishing salaries would show it is keeping its word. For the faculty, knowing what their colleagues make gives disgruntled professors peace of mind because they know their pay is equitable to that of their fellow professors.

But instead of having information available, female professors are forced to complain amongst themselves of perceived inequity in informal groups like WATCH. The cloud of secrecy cast over salary-related issues leaves many female professors wondering if their pay is equitable to that of their male counterparts and what the standards are for earning a raise. By publishing salary averages from individual departments and a standard on which increases are earned, the University could go a long way to establishing a better relationship with all of its professors — both female and male.

The Observer
Editorial

The party year in review

I love the last two weeks of school in South Bend. It's like God's apology for the other 35 weeks. It's sunny and warm; off-campus parties move outside; and the administration imports girls from UCLA and pays them to rollerblade around campus in sports bras and smile at all the prospects. Oh yeah, and the fountains get

Joe Muto

Muto Time

turned back on. That makes me happy.

And we could definitely use cheering up after this year. The 2002-03 school year will go down in Notre Dame history as the year when the balance shifted. The students who study on weekends; the students who go to Mass every week; the students who attend Flipside events; the students who actually like parietals: this year was an outright victory for them. This year, their side won, and our side may never recover.

The year started out with mixed results. There were a few cops ticketing people at Rally in the Alley, but about 300 yards to the west, at an event staged to promote sobriety, the biggest drug band in the country rocked the Joyce Center. I had somewhat high hopes for the year, hopes that were soon dashed.

A week later, the Lafayette apartments hosted or at least attempted to host the Kickoff Classic. South Bend Police raided the joint before 10 p.m. They were responding to complaints of public urination. This was surreally ludicrous, as anyone who has attempted to walk around in the neighborhood immediately surrounding Lafayette knows, public display of undergrad genitalia is the least of the problems in that neck of the woods.

Later in the year, Lafayette residents

were chased out of their own backyards by management, which was having problems of its own, facing a lawsuit from the city. The lawsuit was later dropped, as the city realized that the fence-peeking wasn't so much of a problem and that the crack houses were.

In the meantime, the lack of organized tailgating was playing havoc on football game drunkenness. Some people were actually going to the games sober, which constitutes a cardinal sin in my bible. Everyone else gamely attempted off-campus locations, but it just wasn't the same. Freshman year, the thrill of tailgating came from not just meeting up with your friends to party, but also from wandering the parking lots, talking to random townies and snagging free beers, brats and shots whenever possible. The beauty of tailgating 2000 was in the spontaneity. Tailgating 2002 was too pre-meditated.

The single best party of the year had to have been Halloween. Dressed as Richie from the Royal Tenenbaums, I rubbed elbows with at least 600 of my fellow Domers. Beer was plentiful, the weather was decent and my friend Amie dressed as Li'l Kim and let one boob with a pastie on the end hang out of her top. The party was an unmitigated success, with the cops showing up literally minutes after the last keg was cashed anyway.

The biggest story of second semester was the Boat Club bust. For two and a half years at Notre Dame, Boat Club has been my haven, my refuge, my rock, if you will. Excise police ruined all of that in one evening's work. Personally, I was willing to support Boat until the bitter end, but Boat Club, with their reprehensible lawsuit, is literally biting the hand that feeds them. I may go back to Boat one day, but the love affair is over. We'll always have Paris.

Anyway, a new love affair is in order. My 21st birthday introduced me to a marvelous new world, one where cover is less than five dollars and tickets are given for free drinks. Good bye Boat Club, hello 'Backer.

But, just last Thursday, as if to punctuate that the Boat Club bust was not the end of the ordeal, The Library, a.k.a. Finnegan's, a.k.a. The Locker Room, a.k.a. Jock-Sniffs' Paradise, a.k.a. The Basketball Team's Personal Brothel, a.k.a. Aykayay, was busted. I for one am not sad to see the place go down. Again. Cover was too much, drinks were too expensive and the atmosphere was just wrong for some reason. I am, however, sad to see that our underage havens are being systematically eliminated.

A Viewpoint letter writer Tuesday pointed out that we're not kids anymore. This, however, should not preclude us from acting like kids, and like it or not, lying, cheating and stealing to gain access to a bar is a time-tested rite of passage. I feel bad for those who never do it.

I for one will be doing my part to help out the poor zombies who actually agree with the Campus Life Council's decision to keep parietals the way they are — I'm inviting them to a party. Or several parties because my off-campus residence next year is henceforth known as the Party Mecca. Next year will be better than this one, I promise. See you at the Rally tonight.

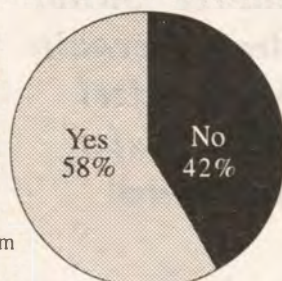
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NDTODAY/OBSERVER POLL QUESTION

Should the University intercede on behalf of the students facing a Boat Club lawsuit?



*Poll appears courtesy of NDToday.com and is based on 305 responses.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"Never give a party if you will be the most interesting person there."*Mickey Friedman
fiction writer

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Have confidence in the past and faith in the future

Looking back at your family on the other side of the security check, it's understood — it's time to begin your life now. For real. Suddenly the thought of the real world causes your stomach to leap past your chest and into your throat. I'm not ready for this, you think to yourself. But the time has come.

Adam Cahill

A Domer's Outlook

You've spent the majority of your life getting to this point and waiting for it to happen only to wish that it was four years earlier, if not more. College has flown by and you've barely taken a step back to give it more than a second's thought. There's no time to think about that now, though.

Stepping through the security gate and past the rushing crowd, you hesitate and take one last glance at your family for the past four years. Your friends have gotten you through the best of times and the worst of times — each time overcoming your expectations of them as friends. They seem rooted to the airport concourse floor, unable to move until you've turned the corner. Joanna and Jill D. are crying and even Joe D.'s eyes are glisten-

ing at the thought of the group breaking up after graduation. You're so sad but at the same time so happy that they were there with you. You'll see each other again but with one final wave, you know it's true. It'll never be the same.

Not being able to take anymore, your head tilts down and away from them. Walking away from something that you love is the hardest thing you will ever have to do in life. But you also know that it takes more courage to let go than it would be to try and keep things the same. As much as you want things to stay the same, they need to change.

It's too much for you to bear and taking a seat, you give yourself time to recover. After several minutes of sobbing into your closed fists, you wipe the tears from your eyes and stand up. Looking up, you see the task set before you — the large "Departures" billboard lists all the flights out of Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

The ticket in your hand has no destination on it yet — just a departure and arrival date — a graduation gift from your parents. Considering all the possibilities, you take a seat again. There are just too many choices. Paris. London. Hong Kong. Berlin. Sydney. Madrid. Amsterdam. How will you ever make the

right decision? It will come to you. You're sure of it.

An hour later, you still haven't decided your travel plans. The only thing that keeps you occupied is fear of making the wrong choice. Thinking to yourself that regret is one of the worst possible emotions, you finally rise and move over to the appropriate counter.

Since your ticket doesn't have a destination as of yet, you will have to fly standby the attendant says. No problem. You can wait. Time is on your side.

There's time to read or to watch television but neither seem appropriate to you. So you just sit there, pondering the last four years, the fork in the road and the direction you're going to take in it. Should you go here or there? You know the final result of your decision is neither here nor there because the journey will have many more forks that will require a decision. Yet you can't stop asking yourself questions that have no answers.

Stop it, you scream silently to yourself. There's no use in doubting yourself now. Closing your eyes, you remember all the memories that should stricken doubt from your vocabulary. In four years, you've graduated from a university unlike any other. A university whose education warrants a "wow" from acad-

emics anywhere, but also a college whose varsity monogram jacket is a prize that athletes all over the world aspire to earn. You've taken on the weight and responsibility of tradition and excellence. And you won. You succeeded by earning the degree.

You've graduated from Notre Dame. No one can ever take that away from you. And after doing that, you know you can go anywhere and do anything. You are truly bound by nothing.

The final call is announced for your flight and the attendant cordially invites you to step forward with your ticket. With a smile, a thank you and a deep breath, you head down the runway toward the plane. You don't know what this road is going to bring to you; you only know where you've been in the past. The only thing you are certain of is this: You've got to keep putting one foot in front of the other and everything will turn out the way it should be.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

McNeff needs to show responsibility, not students

In her letter on April 29, Jessica Monokroussos decries students who are clamoring "for the University to step in as if it is mommy or daddy," referring to the Boat Club civil lawsuit brought against students by proprietor Mike McNeff. She goes on to say that students should "act like adults and take responsibility for their own actions." I agree completely, Ms. Monokroussos, but I refuse to equate acting responsibly with facing a frivolous lawsuit that, if successful, would put an extra \$600,000 in the hands of such a good citizen like McNeff, who was obviously victimized by the deceptive wiles of students.

In my opinion, students have acted quite responsibly in going before a judge regarding their "Minor in a Tavern" citations and receiving their fine and community service requirement from South Bend authorities (in the past this has been \$230 and 40 hours, respectively). Furthermore, students come back to campus only to be brought before ResLife for "Conduct Unbecoming a Notre Dame Student," typically resulting in an additional \$100 fine. No one, to my knowledge, has asked for any University assistance regarding the proceedings in the South Bend Municipal Court or back here on campus. Rather, students are only seeking assistance in a civil case brought against them by one of the most infamous profiteers of underage drinking during my tenure at Notre Dame.

McNeff is effectively asking the students to pay the fine that he received for running an underage bar. Is that taking responsibility for one's actions?

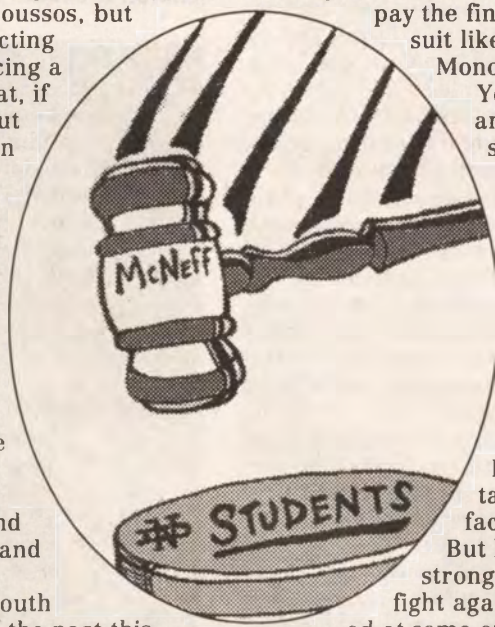
Students have paid their price — to the South Bend community and to the Notre Dame family — but I find it hard to believe that anyone would demand they "go before the judge, get sentenced and pay the fine" in McNeff's civil lawsuit like you demand, Ms. Monokroussos.

Yes, students are adults and should be treated as such. But from our first days here as freshmen until the time we stand together at commencement, students are constantly reminded by the administration of their status as members of the Notre Dame family, a special community. In my family, when I make a mistake, I am treated as an adult, take responsibility and face my just punishment.

But by the same token, a strong family would unite and fight against unjust action directed at some of its members.

Likewise the University should not stand by idly while its students are being attacked by someone who is doing everything in his power to avoid taking responsibility for his own actions. In the future, Ms. Monokroussos, direct your rant to the man who has paid no price for his actions — my fellow students have already paid theirs.

Mike Hewett
senior
off-campus
April 29



Sodomy laws are discriminatory

It is important that people understand that there is more at issue in the Supreme Court case regarding the Texas sodomy law than the "right to privacy." Currently in the United States there are basically two types of sodomy laws. The first type is a law that pertains to certain consensual adult sexual acts (usually oral and anal intercourse) regardless of whether these acts are committed by opposite-sex partners or same-sex partners.

And then there are sodomy laws such as those in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri that target only same-sex sexual expression. The same-sex only sodomy laws move us into the realm of "equal protection" issues. It is this type of sodomy law that is currently before the Supreme Court.

If Andrea Arnoult's primary concern about sodomy laws in her April 29 letter is to insure that people use their body parts for the purposes for which they were designed, she should be lobbying the four states with only same-sex sodomy laws to make sure that heterosexuals also don't use their mouths, fingers or anuses in improper ways. I am sure she understands that sodomy laws in their original intent were to prohibit any type of non-procreative sexual expression. That would include many common sexual practices among married heterosexual couples including vaginal intercourse with birth control.

Arnoult also invokes the Catholic party line of differentiating between the "person" and the "act" when it comes to gay people. Interestingly, research shows that intrinsically religious folk don't seem to be able to implement this line of thinking in their behavior (see Daniel Batson 1999 "And Who Is My Neighbor?: Intrinsic Religion as a Source of Universal Compassion" in the Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion). Perhaps when Christians start acting more Christ-like, secular America may not be so harsh in their criticism of the religious.

Finally, Arnoult's example of comparing smokers to lesbian and gay people is invalidating and trivializing. An addiction to a substance is not the same as a person's sexual orientation. Does crack addiction and heterosexuality work the same way? There is mounting evidence of a genetic and hereditary link in the determination of sexual orientation (both heterosexual and lesbian, gay or bisexual) and all of the major clinical and psychological associations have condemned so called "reparative therapy" because guess what? The evidence is that sexual orientation is not changeable.

If you want to support sodomy laws at least tell the truth about it. They are laws that are unenforceable, but are on the books primarily to discriminate against lesbian and gay people in custody cases, adoption cases and sometimes in employment situations. They maintain stigma and second class citizenship. I don't really care if Sen. Rick Santorum steps down from his Republican leadership position, but I would respect him a lot more if he would just own up to being anti-gay. After all, he doesn't have to look far in his own party to find excellent examples of "bigotry pride" — David Duke, Strom Thurmond, Trent Lott, Jesse Helms, Dick Armey.

N. Eugene Walls
graduate student
off-campus
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The Freshmen Four

*The Student Players' one-acts search out freshmen actors*By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

Tonight's performance of the Freshmen Four plays will feature a variety of students and a variety of themes in a humorous and intriguing collection of one-act plays.

The plays are directed and acted entirely by freshmen, with the previous year's directors acting as producers. For many freshmen, the plays are a great opportunity to get involved with something they enjoy and meet new friends.

Older students and professors also use the shows as an opportunity to scout out new talent for shows in upcoming years. Although there are around 20 sophomore students acting regularly in club and mainstage shows, only a few freshmen immediately audition for theatre productions on campus.

"You have to get your foot in the door," said freshmen director David Tull.

"The freshmen plays are a less intimidating way to do that," said director Mark Ross.

The plays are also an opportunity for freshmen who have never acted before to take a shot at the art of the-

atre.

"We have engineering majors, business majors, FTT majors — it's what most plays are," said Tull. "There are a lot of closet theatre majors out there."

The plays have been a tradition on and off for several years and used to be run by the First Year of Studies, but had disappeared until the Student Players took the initiative to start the program up again last year.

The directors from the last year recruited directors for each of the four one-acts from the few freshmen participating in earlier productions in the year.

Most of the freshmen jumped at the chance to direct their own plays.

"I begged," said Ross.

The plays are a chance to show their talent to a broad audience. The

shows usually get a large turnout of theatre majors, freshmen supporting their friends, and other students and professors around campus.

This year's production includes four short plays ranging in setting from a golf course to a living room in the Deep South.

"For Whom the Southern Belle Tolls," a play by dark humor legend Christopher Durang, features Al Klein as Lawrence

Wingvalley, a retarded son rather reminiscent of Forrest Gump whose mother used to be a Southern charmer but has turned into an overbearing woman with little grasp of how to treat her less than normal children. Lawrence's brother Tom and a girl named Ginny confront the mother with something far outside her reality when she tries to find a wife to take Lawrence off her hands.

"Wasp," by Steve Martin, shows the members of a dysfunctional family trying to decide between an unappealing reality and the far more idealistic fantasies inside their heads. Joe Weiler appears as a father full of insightful truisms but with less of a grasp on reality.

"The Ugly Duckling" by A.A. Milne also features a slightly dysfunctional family, but the light mood is a change from the more twisted plots of the first two plays. Complete with a princess and a charming suitor, this creation of the author of the more famous Winnie the Pooh books is a refreshing departure from cynical humor. John Klein plays the character of the overly vain king with keen wit.

"Foreplay" by David Ives explores the dating scene, or possibly the seduction scene, in all its slightly gruesome details and awkward moments through the creative portrayal of three different dates with Chuck, a player who will never admit his long history with the sport of miniature golf. Joe Garlock, Adam Fleck and Daniel Smith as the three Chucks, and Lauren Simendinger, Melanie Larrabee and Joanna Paxton as the three dates, work together with remarkable timing to cleverly portray the situation.

The Freshmen Four plays will be presented tonight in DeBartolo 101 at 7:30. Tickets will be \$3 at the door.

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The Freshmen Four

"For Whom the Southern Belle Tolls" by Christopher Durang

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"Foreplay, Or the Art of the Fugue" by David Ives

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Lauren Messina takes direction from Dane Macaulay

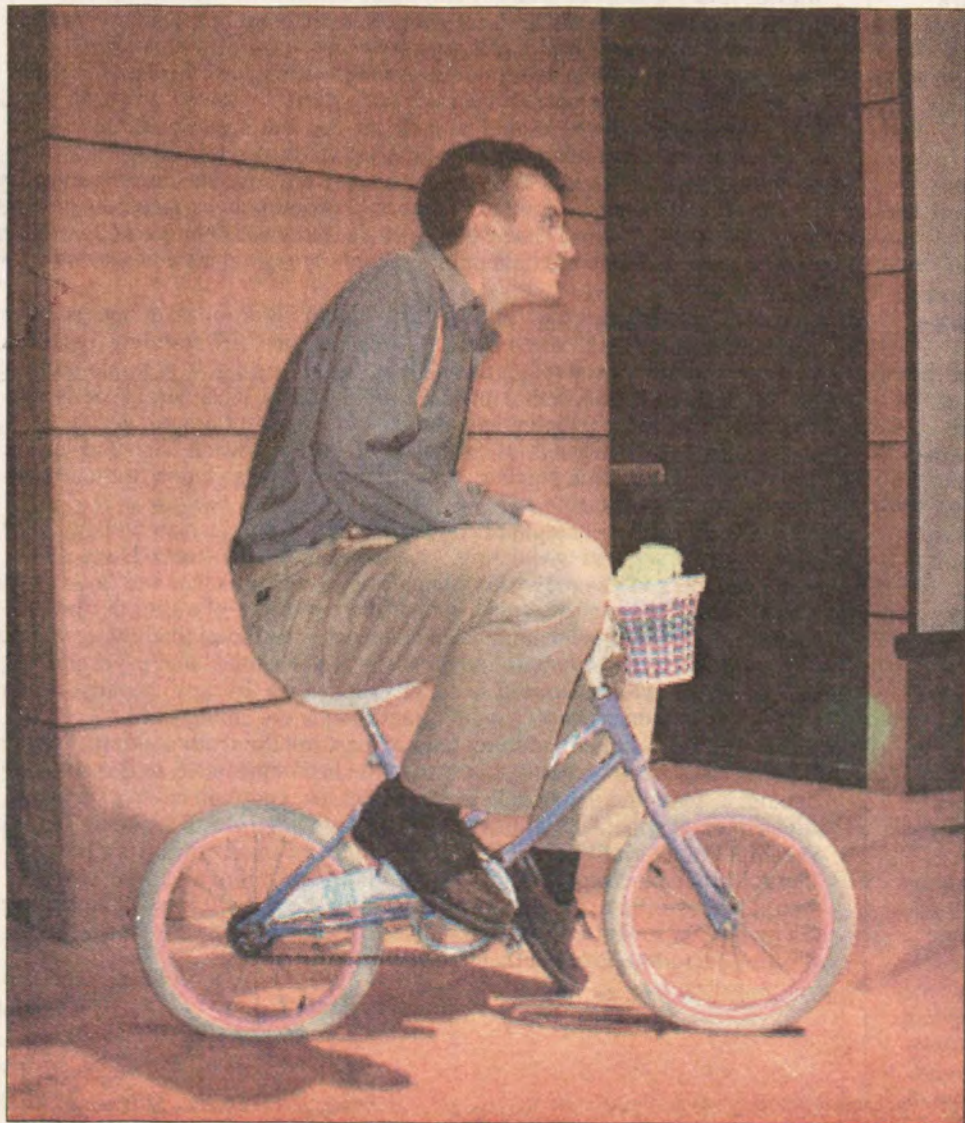


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Tim Stawicki stars in "Wasp" as the son in a dysfunctional family. He enjoys a gift from his father, who is full of insightful sayings but is removed from reality.



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Undertones and Harmonia add zing to study days

By MARIA SMITH and CHRISTIE BOLSEN

Scene Editor and Assistant Scene Editor

Ever wanted to hear 13 guys in suits serenade you with "My Maria," or girls hit the high notes in an a cappella rendition of "Landslide?"

This Friday is your chance to hear all this and more when the Undertones and Harmonia, two of Notre Dame's elite a cappella choirs, take the stage at Washington Hall. A cappella means no piano, no drums, no accompaniment — just what the singers can build from their voices. And the result can be stunning.

The Undertones are famous not only for the quality of their music, but also for their showmanship. The singers introduce themselves and their music creatively and get the audience involved, even if it means bringing leis and Tiki torches onstage. This year promises to be no different.

The Undertones are a subset of the Glee Club, with all 13 members chosen from the larger choir at the end of every school year. Unlike their parent group, the Undertones perform exclusively a cappella arrangements of popular music.

The arrangements are written and performed only by members of the Undertones. Although the group has to ask permission from the original performers to record many of their arrangements on CD for sale in the Notre Dame Bookstore, they are rarely turned down. The group was especially honored when the

Counting Crows played the Undertones' rendition of "Long December" between acts at the Morris Performing Arts Center, in Chicago and at other venues around the country on their tour this fall.

This year's spring concert will feature new hits like "Hanging by a Moment" by Lifehouse as well as old favorites like "Kiss the Girl" from "The Little Mermaid." The group will also introduce their new members at the end of the show in what has become a yearly tradition.

Performing without accompaniment and without direction is a difficult challenge for any singing group, and the Undertones are notorious for working well together. Many members sing with the choir from sophomore year on, helping to build a solid sound in the group. Although the group is generally composed of upperclassmen, this year's choir also has two freshmen that could potentially continue to sing with the group for four years.

Harmonia began as the all-female version of the Undertones only two years ago. Four girls in McGlinn, who admired the a cappella group but couldn't get involved for obvious reasons, decided to take matters into their own hands. Senior Danielle Rinaldi and three of her friends in the dorm were big fans of the Undertones and had all been in a cappella groups in high school. They decided to start their own group and auditions were held the very next fall. The process involves teaching potential singers a piece and then choosing between 12 and 16 girls,

whichever seems to work best that year. There are usually three days of auditions held early in the year.

Now in their second year, Harmonia will be headlining Friday's concert along with the Undertones. The two groups will be switching off, each performing sets of three songs at a time. The songs will be a wide range of popular hits, including eighties tunes as well as more recent songs. The concert should be full of recognizable, fun music for the audience.

Jenny Radelet, who was the winner of this year's Irish Idol contest, will be opening the concert with a song she performed at Irish Idol. She became involved with Harmonia as a result of her admiration for the Undertones as well; after seeing them perform, a fellow Cavanaugh resident told her about the female a cappella group. She says that both groups are very well prepared and talented, and believes that any audience member will have a great time at the concert.

So if you're in need of a study break by Friday, there will be two groups of gifted singers waiting to harmonize classics for your listening pleasure. After all, wouldn't you rather hear gorgeous voices singing "In the Still of the Night" instead of studying in the still of the night?

The Undertones and Harmonia will be performing at 8 p.m. Friday in Washington Hall.

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in "Wasp."



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m left to right: Lauren Simendinger, ck and Melanie Larrabee.



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Members of the all-female a cappella group Harmonia perform. The group will be singing along with the Undertones, Notre Dame's all-male a cappella group, at a concert on Friday.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Three Mariners homers deny Clemens 298th victory

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Roger Clemens failed to get his 298th win, and Ichiro Suzuki and Hideki Matsui didn't do very much either in their first matchup in the major leagues.

Clemens allowed three homers for the first time since August, and the two Japanese stars failed to drive in any runs as the Seattle Mariners beat the New York Yankees 6-0 Tuesday night.

Bret Boone, Ben Davis and Edgar Martinez homered for Seattle, which has won 12 of its last 13 regular-season games at Yankee Stadium.

New York (20-6) lost consecutive games for the first time this season and was shut out for the first time since an 8-0 loss against Oakland last Aug. 10.

Suzuki, who in 2001 became the first Japanese non-pitcher to earn a regular job in the major leagues, was 1-for-5 with a bunt single and scored in the seventh inning. Matsui, who joined the Yankees this season, was 1-for-4 with a ninth-inning single.

Gil Meche (3-1) took a three-hitter into the eighth and wound up allowing six hits in 7 2/3 innings, extending his scoreless streak to 16 1-3 innings.

Arthur Rhodes and Shigetoshi Hasegawa finished with one-hit relief.

Clemens (4-1), pitching on the 17th anniversary of his 20-strikeout game against Seattle for Boston, lost for the first time in six starts this season. He had a terrific split-fingered pitch and struck out eight, but Seattle sat on his fastball, and he gave up four runs and eight

hits in six innings.

Boone homered in the first — his batting helmet falling off on his follow-through — and hit a two-run double in the seventh off Chris Hammond. But Boone also committed a gaffe in the field, losing track of outs in the third inning and costing Seattle a chance at a double play when he trotted across second base instead of throwing to first after taking the throw on Alfonso Soriano's grounder to third.

Davis hit a two-run homer in the second and Martinez homered leading off the fourth.

Red Sox 7, Royals 2

The Kansas City Royals have lost two in a row. This year, that qualifies as a slump.

Nomar Garciaparra was 3-for-4 and Tim Wakefield pitched six strong innings Tuesday night as Boston rallied from a two-run deficit to beat Kansas City 7-2.

"I was able to hang in there as long as I could," said Wakefield (3-1), who trailed 2-1 when he threw his last pitch. "The offense finally scored some runs."

The Royals have lost two straight — matching their longest losing streak of the season. They have also lost three of their last four after winning 16 of their first 19 games — the best start in franchise history.

"We're human," manager Tony Pena said. "They're not going to be able to do the job every single day."

Kansas City lost a franchise-record 100 games last year. The Royals had four two-game losing streaks in April alone, and eight for the year; they also had nine three-game

slides, three that were six games long and two lasting eight.

"We're going to probably lose more than two in a row this year," said Chris George (3-2), who pitched five good innings before running into trouble in the sixth. "But we're still playing pretty good baseball."

Wakefield allowed two runs on seven hits, including an inside-the-park homer by Carlos Beltran and a conventional one by Mike DiFelice. Wakefield also struck out six and walked one.

George allowed three runs on six hits and a walk, striking out three in 5 1-3 innings. He shut the Red Sox down for four innings before giving up a hard-luck run in the fifth and then running into real trouble in the sixth.

Todd Walker singled, moved to second on Garciaparra's single and third on Manny Ramirez's flyout. Kevin Millar hit a sacrifice fly off Jason Grimsley to tie it 2-2, then Garciaparra stole second and took third when DeFelice's throw went into center field for an error.

Shea Hillenbrand was hit by a pitch, then Bill Mueller poked a single between third base and the shortstop to score Garciaparra. Trot Nixon singled to center to score Hillenbrand and make it 4-2.

Boston scored three more in the eighth on an RBI double by Millar and run-scoring singles by Mueller and Johnny Damon.

Beltran hit his second career inside-the-park homer when Nixon dove for his line drive to right field and it bounced over his head. DiFelice made it 2-0 in the fourth by homering into



Reuters

Clemens rests after allowing a two-run home run to the Mariners in Tuesday night's loss.

the new seats above the Green Monster.

Angels 10, Indians 1

Ramon Ortiz pitched a seven-hitter and Garret Anderson drove in three runs Tuesday night to lead Anaheim to a 10-1 win over Cleveland, who have lost seven straight games.

Ortiz (4-2) gave Anaheim a rare strong start and its first complete game of 2003 as the Angels improved to 8-2 in their last 10 at Jacobs Field.

The Jake has been good to the Angels.

Last year, Anaheim swept

four games during an early season stopover in Cleveland that helped the Angels overcome a slow start and eventually win their first World Series.

Anderson hit a two-run homer off Ricardo Rodriguez (2-2) and Jeff DaVanon added three RBIs.

The Indians (7-19) are off their worst start since 1969 and have their first seven-game losing streak since June 27-July 3, 1991.

Ellis Burks homered in the fourth for Cleveland. The Indians have scored just 11 runs in their past six games.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Maddux returns to old form in third win of season

Associated Press

HOUSTON

Greg Maddux pitched seven sharp innings to win his third straight decision and Gary Sheffield hit a two-run single as the Atlanta Braves beat the Houston Astros 3-1 Tuesday night.

The Braves have won 12 of 14 following a 4-8 start, and Maddux also has recovered nicely.

The right-hander lost his first three starts for the first time in his career, at which point he had an 11.05 ERA. But he held Houston to just one run and five hits, outpitching Roy Oswalt.

John Smoltz worked the ninth for his 10th save in as many tries and 26th in a row dating to last season. He struck out Brad Ausmus with two runners on to end it.

The Astros got a run in the first inning when Geoff Blum singled to left field and scored on Jeff Kent's double to the right-center gap.

After that, Maddux (3-3) limited the Astros to three hits and didn't allow a runner past second base. He struck out five and didn't walk a batter, improving to 22-9 lifetime against Houston.

Oswalt (2-3) got off to his second consecutive rough start, allowing two runs and four hits in the first inning. He gave up three runs in the first three innings last Wednesday in a 4-2 loss to the New York Mets.

This time, Rafael Furcal singled and Marcus Giles doubled to start the game before Sheffield drove in both runners with a single just inside the

third-base line.

After a single by Robert Fick with two outs, Oswalt settled into a rhythm and retired the next 14 batters until he walked Sheffield with one out in the sixth.

After the walk, Chipper Jones got a line drive single off first baseman Jeff Bagwell's glove and Andruw Jones followed with an RBI single off the left-field scoreboard.

Oswalt went seven innings, allowing six hits. He struck out seven and walked two.

Expos 3, Brewers 2

Brian Schneider hit a tiebreaking RBI infield single with one out in the ninth inning to lead the Montreal Expos to a 3-2 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday night.

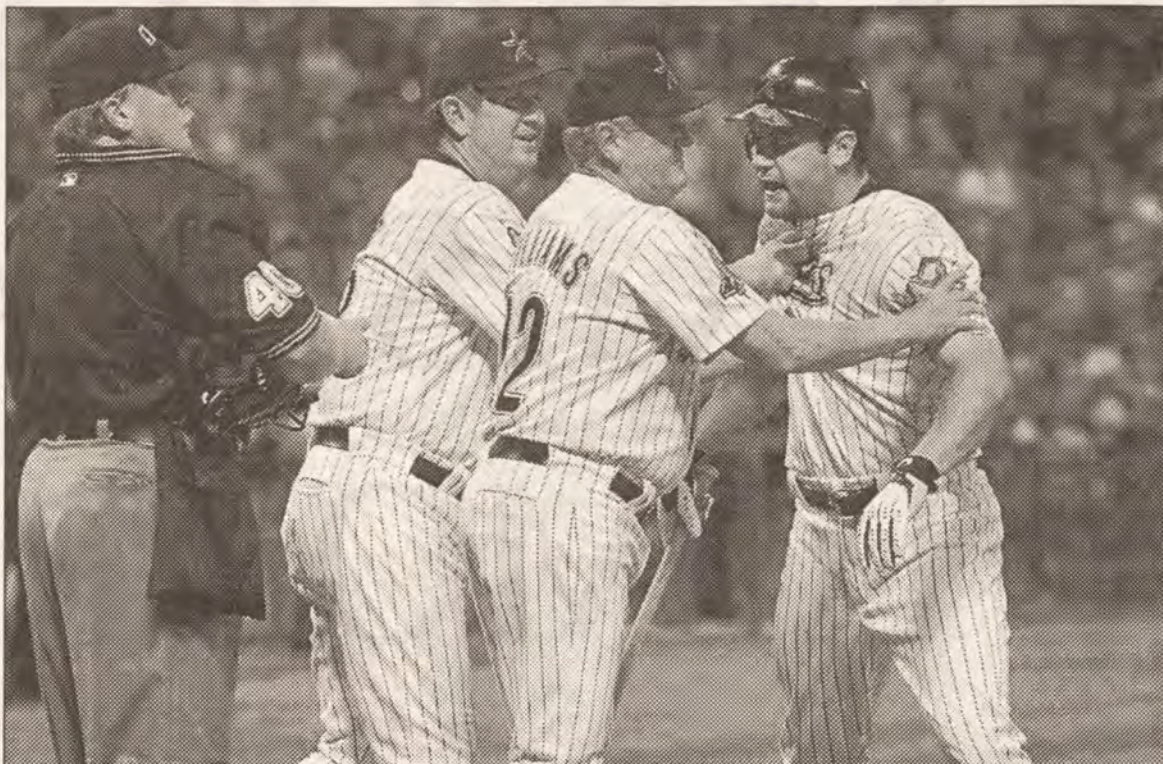
Brad Wilkerson homered and scored the go-ahead run and Montreal starter Javier Vazquez struck out 12 in seven innings as the Expos won for the fourth time in five games.

With one out in the ninth, Wilkerson drew a walk from Mike DeJean (0-2), stole second and went to third on Keith Osik's errant throw into center field. Schneider then hit a one-hopper off second baseman Keith Ginter's glove to score Wilkerson.

Scott Stewart (2-0) got two outs for the win, stranding Enrique Cruz at second in the eighth inning. Rocky Biddle pitched the ninth for his sixth save in seven chances.

Vazquez retired the first 11 batters and allowed just two runs and three hits. Wilkerson helped stake him to a 2-0 lead.

Wilkerson, who had two hits



Houston's Lance Berkman is held back from home plate umpire Terry Craft for being ejected in the seventh inning for arguing balls and strikes. The Astros lost 3-1 to the Braves.

and one RBI in his previous five games, hit his third homer of the season in the second inning to make it 1-0.

Orlando Cabrera led off the fourth with a single and took second on a single by Jeff Liefer. With one out, Cabrera scored on Wilkerson's ground-rule double to right field.

Vazquez, who leads the majors with 56 strikeouts, recorded at least 10 strikeouts for the 14th time in his career and third of the season.

Milwaukee failed to get a hit off Vazquez until Richie Sexson snapped an 0-for-9 skid with a two-out single in the fourth.

The Brewers tied the game with two runs in the fifth on solo homers by Wes Helms and Royce Clayton.

Clayton has five homers this season after hitting only seven all last year.

Milwaukee's Matt Kinney, making his first start since April 17, allowed two runs and six hits in eight innings.

Cubs 4, Giants 2

Dusty Baker's return to San Francisco was a success, thanks to Moises Alou's big night against his father's team.

Alou homered and drove in two runs as the Chicago Cubs beat the San Francisco Giants 4-2 Tuesday night in a game rich in family ties and old friendships.

Kerry Wood struck out eight over six strong innings for the Cubs, who won in their new manager's emotional homecoming. Baker spent the past 10 seasons with the Giants, winning 840 games and leading them to the World Series last fall before leaving in a dispute with owner Peter Magowan.

The change, though con-

tentious at the time, seems to be working out for everybody. So far this season, Baker has led the surprising Cubs to first place — and new manager Felipe Alou is a big hit with the NL West-leading Giants.

Both managers are under plenty of pressure in the three-day series. Baker is back in his longtime home, facing cheers and a few boos, while the elder Alou is facing his talented son for the first time in San Francisco.

"I'll be glad when this series is over, really," Baker said. "Not only here, but at home, too. The phone is ringing off the hook, and I spend 30 minutes on tickets. There were a few hecklers. You can't control how people feel about you. You just accept it."

Moises Alou, hitless in his previous nine at-bats, had an RBI single in the fifth and a solo homer in the eighth to hurt the team now managed by his father.

Ramon Martinez also had a run-scoring single as the Cubs won for just the second time in six games.

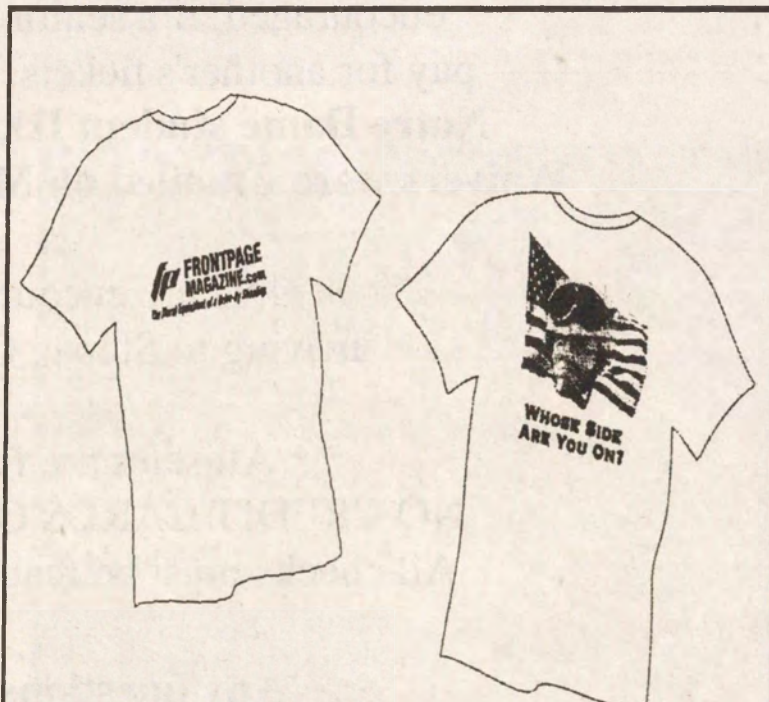
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O'Neal sued by Florida company for illegible autograph

Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. A sports collectibles company has sued Shaquille O'Neal, claiming he violated their contract by providing an illegible autograph and refusing to sign souvenirs.

Dreams Inc., based in Plantation, Fla., requested the return of hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash and stock, plus compensatory damages for lost profits and sales, court documents say.

The company filed suit in Broward Circuit Court against O'Neal and Mine O'Mine, which has the rights to O'Neal's name. The suit alleges that the Los Angeles Lakers center violated his agreement to autograph a specified number of souvenirs and serve on the company's advisory board.

O'Neal and Mine O'Mine denied breach of contract, requesting the case be dismissed along with claims that

specifically mention O'Neal because the contract was with Mine O'Mine, not him.

The defendants also filed a counterclaim contending Dreams Inc. breached the contract. The counterclaim says the company failed to schedule signings or present items for O'Neal to sign after December 2001, and it says Dreams owes O'Neal hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Last week, Broward Circuit Judge Jeffrey F. Streitfeld ruled the case could go forward. Dreams' attorneys have requested a jury trial in the suit, which was filed last May.

"It's a very unique situation for the company," said Leonard Samuels, an attorney for Dreams. "They have excellent relations with all of their athletes. It took major problems from Shaquille O'Neal and his people for us to file a lawsuit."

Dreams has contracts with hundreds of current and former athletes, including Dan Marino,

Vince Carter and Pete Rose.

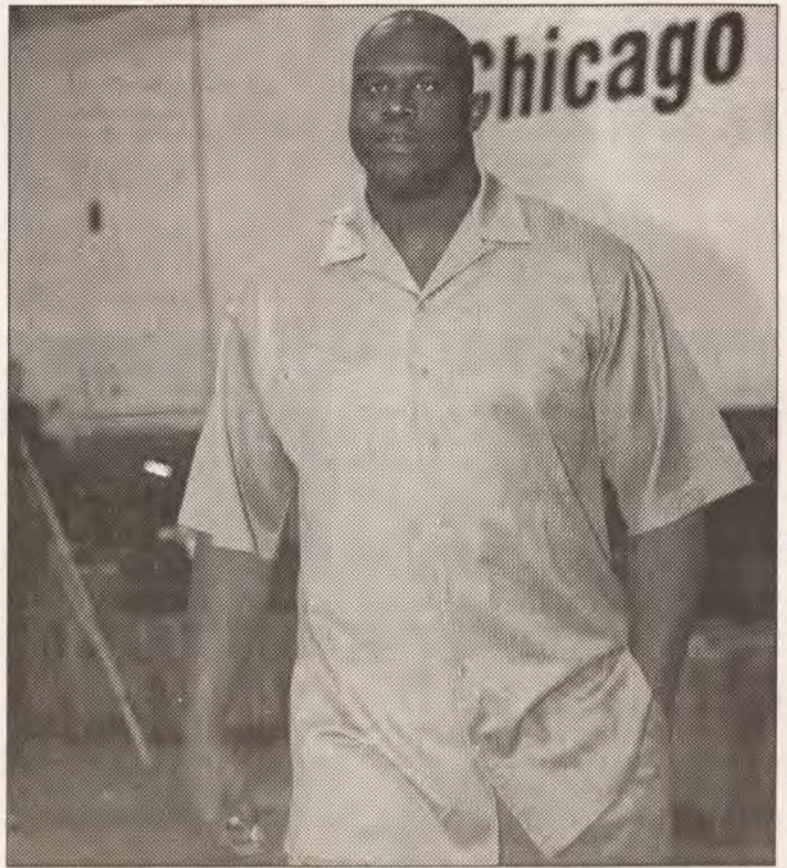
Benjamin Reid, an attorney representing O'Neal and Mine O'Mine, said he didn't want to comment because the lawsuit is pending.

As president of Mine O'Mine, O'Neal signed a three-year contract with Dreams in December 2000, court documents say.

The agreement called for the company to pay O'Neal \$1.85 million and 500,000 shares of Dreams stock — then worth about \$1 a share. In exchange he would make three appearances for the company, provide his autograph on 15,000 pieces of merchandise — 5,000 a year — and serve as a member of the company's advisory board.

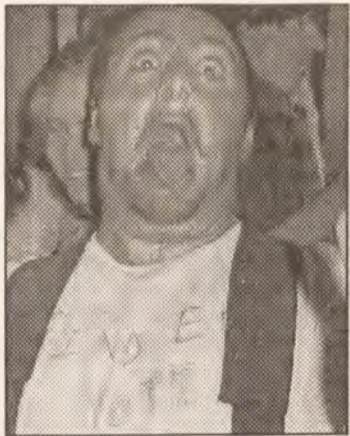
According to the suit, O'Neal owed the company 1,800 autographed pieces after the first year of the agreement. Some of those he did autograph were illegible because he rushed the signature, the suit says.

O'Neal canceled signings, refused to promote the company and violated exclusivity provisions by signing memorabilia for others, the suit says. It says he also failed to provide promised Shaq-model shoes.



Reuters

Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal is being sued by a Florida company for not meeting autograph requirements in an agreement.

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MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Bird dies week after hit by ball

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.

The daddy osprey hit with a baseball allegedly thrown by a minor league pitcher has died, officials said.

Ozzy the osprey died Sunday at the Audubon Birds of Prey Center in Maitland, said Lynda White, a spokeswoman at the center. The bird was one of a breeding pair that lived for years on a 40-foot light pole in left field at Jackie Robinson Ballpark.

Witnesses said Jae Kuk Ryu, a 19-year-old South Korean pitcher for the Class A Daytona Cubs, tried several times during pregame practice April 21 to knock the osprey from its perch with a baseball before finally hitting it.

At the time, Ozzy was nesting with its mate and a brood of fuzzy chicks.

Ryu was charged Thursday by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission with harming a protected bird. The second-degree misdemeanor carries a maximum fine of \$500 and 60 days in jail.

Commission officials said Monday that the death doesn't affect the charges.

Ryu was later demoted to the Class A Lansing Lugnuts of the Midwest League. Cubs general manager Buck Rogers said Ryu was remorseful.

Ospreys are recognized by the state as a species of special concern, meaning their habitats are vulnerable.

The bird's mate, Harriet, will raise her chicks and probably take a new mate next season, White said. Another osprey already has been seen at the park, helping feed the babies.

Ryu isn't the first ballplayer to target a bird with a thrown ball. On Aug. 4, 1983, Yankees outfielder Dave Winfield killed a seagull in Toronto with a warmup throw. The Ontario police charged him with animal cruelty, although the charge was later dropped.

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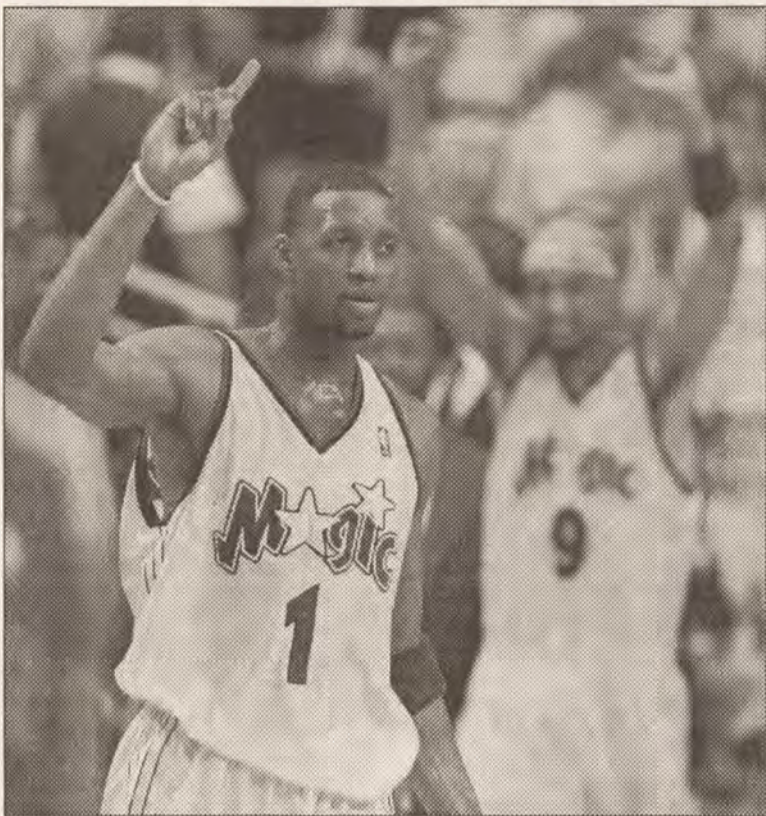
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NBA

T-Mac wants to avoid first-round fate of Wolves' Garnett



Orlando's Tracy McGrady signals that only one more game is needed to defeat the Pistons in the Eastern Conference playoffs.

Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. Tracy McGrady and Kevin Garnett both skipped college, became NBA stars and are unstoppable on the court at times.

McGrady wants the similarities to end there.

He is determined to advance to the second round of the playoffs, something Garnett has been unable to do for the last six seasons in Minnesota.

McGrady has failed to get past the first round the past two seasons in Orlando after he and the Toronto Raptors were swept in the first round in 2000.

"Watching Kevin Garnett over the last couple of playoff series, what he's been through, being bounced out, I know how tough it is and how frustrating it is on his part," McGrady said. "You feel like you did everything you could on your part to advance and you failed. When you're the key guy for your team and you lose, you are to blame for everything. Everybody is looking at

you, saying you need to do more, need to do this.

"So I don't want to be put in that situation."

The Magic have not advanced in the playoffs since Shaquille O'Neal and Penny Hardaway led them to the 1996 Eastern Conference finals. Garnett is trying to lead the Timberwolves over the defending champion Los Angeles Lakers in their first-round series.

"I'm just trying to get this franchise back on track like it was when I was a young fella watching Shaq and Penny here," the 23-year-old McGrady said.

McGrady is close to completing his quest because Orlando has a 3-1 series lead going into Game 5 on Wednesday in Detroit.

The Pistons are hoping to be just the seventh team to win a best-of-seven series after trailing 3-1, but they are closer to joining a different group.

Miami in 1999 and Seattle in 1993 are the only teams with top seeding to lose in the first round of the playoffs since the

NBA went to a 16-team format in 1984.

"The one thing we haven't done is put pressure on them," Detroit guard Chauncey Billups said. "If we win Wednesday, they'll feel pressure to win at home on Friday."

Detroit is battered and bitter. Coach Rick Carlisle has been criticized, players have called their offense predictable and some have blamed teammates — without using names — for the situation they're in.

"Before the series, I think some people felt we couldn't lose to Orlando. Now you get the feeling that some guys don't think we can win," Detroit's Ben Wallace said. "I think we can win. If we played the way we are capable, we aren't in this situation, but the way we've played lately, it isn't unbelievable to me."

"After what we did last year, losing this series would be a step in the wrong direction."

The Pistons won 50 games and the Central Division last year — just as they did this season.

Report: Texas guard Ford will enter draft

Associated Press

HOUSTON Texas All-American point guard T.J. Ford plans to make himself available for the NBA draft in June, Houston television station KRIV reported Tuesday night.

The station said sources close to the Longhorns program told it Ford would hold a news conference Thursday in Austin to make the plans official.

"I cannot confirm that for you," Texas basketball spokesman Scott McConnell told The Associated Press Tuesday night.

He said no news conference has been scheduled "as of yet." He said nothing would be announced Tuesday night on a news conference or about

Ford's future.

During the season, he said he was "110 percent sure" he would return for his junior season but began hinting that he might leave for the NBA when the season ended.

Ford led the Longhorns to their first Final Four appearance in 56 years. He won the John R. Wooden Award and the Naismith Award, both college basketball player of the year honors.

Ford led the team in five statistical categories this season — including points with a 15 per game average and assists with 7.7 per game. He recorded nine double-digit assist performances this season and 24 in his two-year career. His 527 career assists ranks second on Texas' all-time career list.

Bryant, Iverson on Olympic team

Associated Press

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. Kobe Bryant was added to the U.S. basketball team Tuesday, along with Allen Iverson and Jermaine O'Neal.

They completed what USA Basketball called a "core group" of nine players for the Olympic qualifying tournament to be played in August in Puerto Rico.

The players also are expect-

ed to be members of the 2004 Olympic team.

The Associated Press reported earlier this month that the USA Basketball selection committee had chosen the three players; the formal announcement came Tuesday.

In addition to Bryant, O'Neal and Iverson, the team includes Ray Allen, Mike Bibby, Jason Kidd, Karl Malone, Tim Duncan and Tracy McGrady. The team is expected to add

three other players from college or overseas.

"They have paid their dues in our league," said Philadelphia 76ers coach Larry Brown, who will coach the U.S. team. "It is a great honor for them, and I am happy for all three of them."

Brown said: "From a personal standpoint, I am thrilled to death. It just shows the respect that everyone in the league has for Allen."

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NHL PLAYOFFS

Senators win in OT to take 2-1 series lead over Flyers

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

This Ottawa Senators playoff comeback was unlike any they ever had.

Wade Redden's goal 6:43 into overtime lifted the Senators to a 3-2 victory over the Philadelphia Flyers on Tuesday night. Ottawa leads the Eastern Conference semifinal series 2-1. Game 4 of the best-of-seven series is Thursday night in Philadelphia.

The Senators, who had an NHL-best 113 points in the regular season, trailed 2-1 entering the third. They had been 0-22 in playoff games when trailing after 40 minutes.

Philadelphia was 35-0-3 when leading after two periods this season, including 5-0 in the playoffs.

Marian Hossa and Daniel Alfredsson scored power-play goals for Ottawa.

John LeClair and Sami Kapanen scored for the Flyers.

Redden won it with a slap shot from near the left circle that slipped between goaltender Roman Cechmanek's stick and the near post.

Cechmanek, coming off a brilliant 33-save performance in a 2-0 road victory Sunday night, stopped 24 shots. He stoned Hossa on a breakaway early in overtime. Minutes later, he made another outstanding save on a shot by Karel Rachunek.

Tony Amonte had a breakaway on Patrick Lalime shortly after Cechmanek stopped Rachunek, but he lost control of the puck going for a backhand.

Lalime had 20 saves.

The Senators tied it at 2 on

Hossa's goal just 22 seconds into the third period. He beat Cechmanek with a wraparound backhand for his fifth goal of the playoffs. A holding penalty on LeClair late in the second gave Ottawa the power play.

Kapanen scored his fourth goal of the playoffs, giving the Flyers a 2-1 lead with 7:14 left in the second.

Amonte, standing behind the net, took a pass from Marcus Ragnarsson and sent it to Kapanen, who one-timed a shot from inside the left circle. Lalime stopped the shot with his glove, but the puck bounced high in the air, off Lalime's back and into the net.

LeClair gave the Flyers a 1-0 lead just 4:35 into the game on his second goal of the playoffs. Jeremy Roenick set it up with a nifty pass to Amonte, who slipped and took a shot while on his knees. Lalime stopped Amonte's shot, but LeClair, skating in from the bench, tapped the rebound into an empty net.

Alfredsson tied it at 1 during a four-on-three 1:06 into the second. An interference penalty on Claude Lapointe gave the Senators a power play, and Alfredsson scored 24 seconds later. Redden took a slap shot that bounced off Keith Primeau and went right to Alfredsson, who blasted it just inside the near post.

Alfredsson hit the post in the first period on a slap shot after he stripped the puck from Todd Fedoruk.

Lalime made an outstanding skate save on a backhand by Michal Handzus late in the second.

The Flyers lost to Ottawa in

the first round last year, scoring a record-low two goals in five games. Philadelphia played the equivalent of nine games — seven games and seven overtimes — in its first-round victory over Toronto.

Ottawa, which beat the New York Islanders in five games in the opening round, has never advanced past this round, losing twice before.

Canucks 3, Wild 2

The Vancouver Canucks took full advantage of their boiling rivalry with the Minnesota Wild.

Vancouver scored three power-play goals and Dan Cloutier made 16 saves and got a little help from the posts as the Canucks beat the Wild 3-2 to take a 2-1 lead in their Western Conference playoff series.

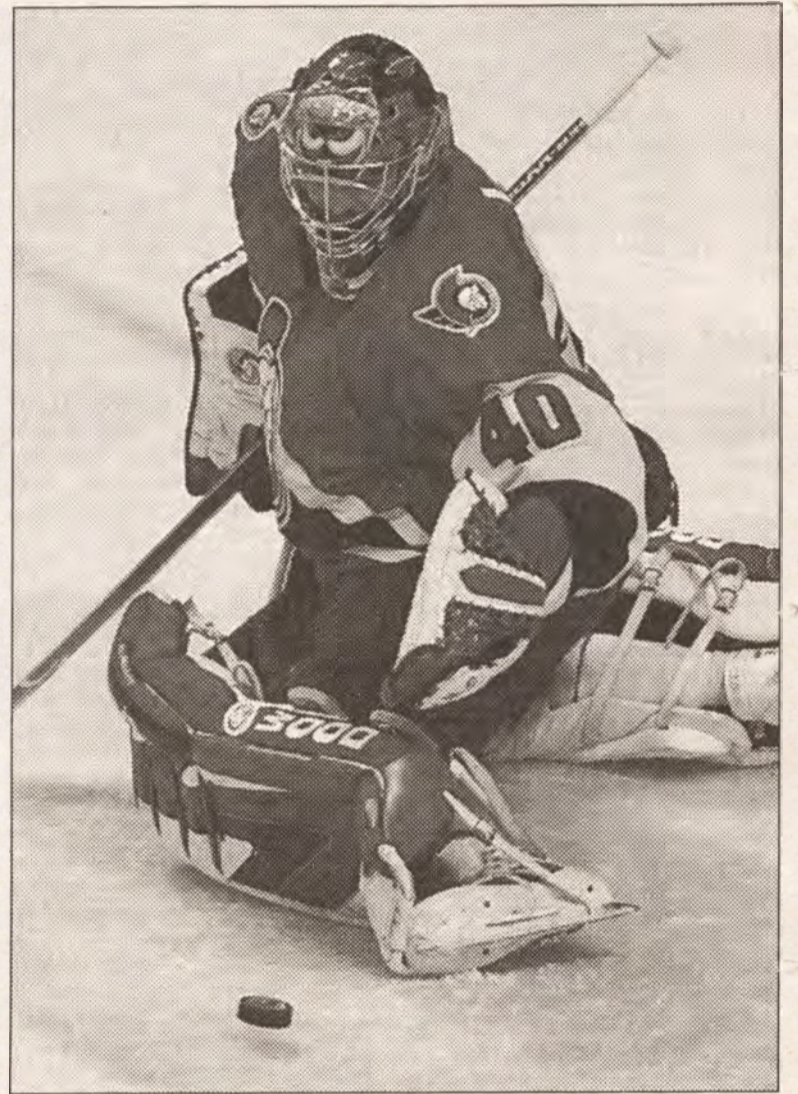
Game 4 will be played Friday night in St. Paul.

The Canucks got goals from Brendan Morrison, Ed Jovanovski and Daniel Sedin as the Wild allowed three power-play goals for only the second time this season.

The Canucks, whose power play was ranked third in the NHL this season, went 3-for-6 with the man advantage in a game that saw 40 penalty minutes assessed.

After combining for 16 penalty minutes in Game 1, the teams earned 74 in Game 2, the majority coming when players engaged in a postgame scuffle that warranted five misconducts.

The NHL fined the Wild \$25,000 on Tuesday for their part in the brawl, and the bad blood carried into the rematch.



Reuters

Senators goalie Patrick Lalime makes a save against Flyers in Game 3 of the Eastern Conference playoffs Tuesday.

Seven seconds after the opening faceoff, Minnesota's Matt Johnson and Vancouver's Brad May got into some stick play and dropped their gloves.

The Wild had power-play goals by Filip Kuba and Marian Gaborik, but fell behind on Sedin's second-period score.

Sedin took a pass from twin brother Henrik and tipped the puck from the slot past Dwayne Roloson's glove side to make it 3-2.

Pascal Dupuis nearly tied it for the Wild late in the second, but his slap shot from the right circle hit the post, drawing a loud groan from the sellout crowd of 19,354, the largest crowd to watch a hockey game in Minnesota.

Dupuis had another chance midway through the third on a breakaway with Vancouver on its sixth power play, but Cloutier made the stop with his glove.

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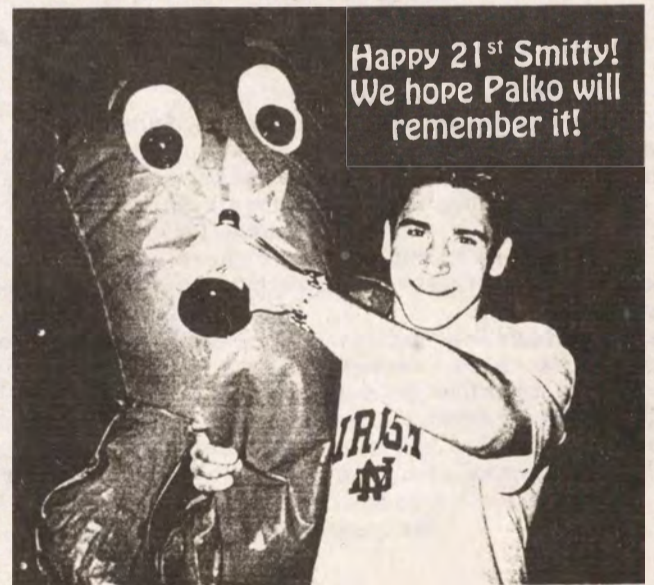
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NBA PLAYOFFS

Lakers rout Wolves to take 3-2 lead in first-round series

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS

The Los Angeles Lakers snapped back to life, with everyone from Kobe Bryant to Derek Fisher to Robert Horry to Shaquille O'Neal showing championship form.

Bryant had 16 of his 32 points in the third quarter, O'Neal added 27 points, Fisher had 24 and Horry 12 Tuesday night to put the Minnesota Timberwolves on the brink of elimination with a 120-90 victory.

The Lakers lead the series 3-2. Game 6 is Thursday in Los Angeles, with Game 7 — if it's necessary — back in Minneapolis on Saturday.

If the Lakers play this way again, it won't be necessary.

Stretching a 10-point half-time lead to 21 by the end of the third quarter and to 30 late in the fourth, three-time defending champions rediscovered their shooting touch and their offensive flow.

Fisher had five 3-pointers, and the Lakers — who were 12-for-23 from beyond the arc — shot 54 percent from the field. Horry, who missed his first 11 3-point attempts in this series, finally made a pair to help the Lakers overcome the loss of starting forward Rick Fox.

The blowout was a big disappointment for Kevin Garnett, the rest of the Timberwolves and their 20,098 fans.

Target Center, sold out for the first time this series, was roaring in the game's opening stages. It was nearly empty at the end.

Garnett had 25 points and 16 rebounds for the Timberwolves, who are now one loss away from a seventh straight first-round exit.

The Lakers are tough to beat when they get more than just a token contribution from players other than O'Neal or Bryant.

Fisher, who's had a streaky series, helped the Lakers get comfortable well before Bryant warmed up. He had all of his points in the first three quarters and finished 8-for-10 from the floor.

With the Lakers starting to suck the life out of the crowd, Bryant took over.

He drove baseline midway through the third, soared above traffic, used the rim as a shield and threw down a marvelous one-handed reverse dunk that stunned everyone

who saw it and put Los Angeles up 73-55.

Horry, who scored a total of just 18 points in the first four games, helped check a frustrated Garnett on defense.

As the Timberwolves took timeout late in the third, Garnett — fearing a substitution — turned and screamed at the bench, "Don't get me! Don't get me!"

Rasho Nesterovic had 13 points and Kendall Gill 10 for the Timberwolves, who lost the defensive intensity they had in the last three games and committed 17 turnovers. The Lakers turned those miscues into 29 points.

With Fox's postseason over because of a torn tendon in his left foot suffered in Game 4, Minneapolis native Devean George had 12 points and eight points in a starting role at small forward.

George picked up where Fox left off defensively on Wally Szczerbiak, who had twice as many turnovers (four) in the first half as attempted shots.

Szczerbiak finished with a series-low nine points on 3-for-7 shooting and got a few boos when he came out near the end of the game.

With Horry also in the starting five, the Lakers — who shot below 40 percent in each of the past three games — had more of an offensive-minded group.

Brian Shaw picked on Szczerbiak some too, stealing the ball from him on a trap near midcourt and getting an easy layup on the other end that gave Los Angeles a 35-26 lead early in the second.

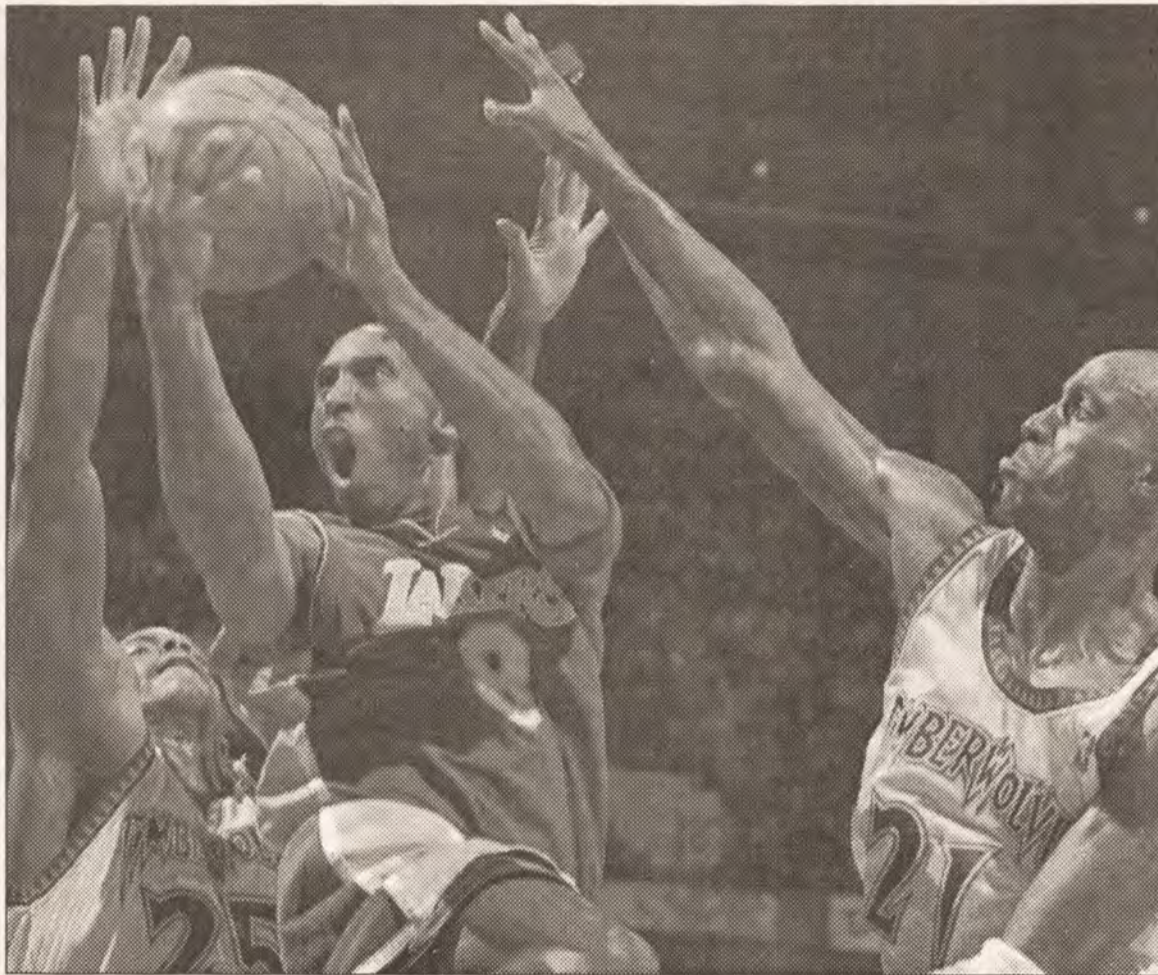
Troy Hudson, who scored 14 points on 5-for-11 shooting in the first half, was again silent late.

Hudson buried back-to-back 3-pointers during a 14-4 Wolves run that gave them a brief lead, 40-39 in the second quarter, but he was scoreless in the second half after coming up empty in the fourth quarter of Game 4.

Spurs 94, Suns 82

The San Antonio Spurs tried to make sure early that the Phoenix Suns would have no chance for any more last-second heroics, but Tuesday night's game still came down to the final minute.

The Spurs opened a double-digit lead in the first quarter, extended it to 24 by halftime and held off a rally to defeat the Suns 94-82 Tuesday night, taking a 3-2 lead in their best-



Kobe Bryant drives between Kevin Garnett and Marc Jackson during Game 5. Bryant scored 16 of his 32 points in the third quarter.

of-seven playoff series.

The Suns, who erased big leads in both of their victories, made the second half worth watching.

They opened the third quarter with a 19-5 run that trimmed San Antonio's advantage to 59-49, but the Spurs put together a string of baskets to restore their lead to 19 by the end of the quarter.

Phoenix charged again in the fourth, pulling within six, 85-79, with 1:49 to play on a drive by Stephon Marbury. But the Spurs hit their foul shots down

the stretch to secure the win.

Malik Rose led the Spurs with 27 points and 13 rebounds. Tim Duncan added 23 points and 17 rebounds.

Shawn Marion led the Suns with 22 points, while Penny Hardaway had 16 and Amare Stoudemire 14. Marbury finished with 13 points, all of them coming in the second half.

Game 6 will be Thursday night in Phoenix.

San Antonio's energetic defense took away the inside in the first half, limiting the Suns

to 10 field goals in the first two periods. Marbury was 0-for-7 from the field.

Phoenix missed its first four shots before an alley-oop dunk by Marion three minutes into the game, then the Suns missed their next five attempts.

A tip-in by Duncan gave San Antonio a 23-13 lead with a minute left in the first period, and a putback by David Robinson with 7:16 remaining in the second quarter pushed the Spurs' lead to 38-18.

The Suns never found an offensive rhythm in the half.

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NBA PLAYOFFS

Artest scores 26 points to keep Pacers alive vs. Celtics

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Never before in an NBA playoff game had a team been held scoreless in overtime. The Indiana Pacers did it to the Celtics on Tuesday night, sending the series back to Boston for Game 6.

Ron Artest had 26 points and 10 rebounds, making the go-ahead free throw in overtime after blocking Paul Pierce's shot at the end of regulation, as Indiana rallied to beat Boston 93-88 Tuesday night.

History hasn't been kind to teams trailing 3-1 in the NBA playoffs. Indiana though, still has a chance.

"It's a very weak pulse. Obviously it's a little stronger," Reggie Miller said after the Pacers scored all five points in overtime.

The Celtics still lead the series 3-2, and only six teams have come back from 3-1 deficits — just two since 1981.

"We should have closed it out today," said Boston's Paul Pierce. "We can't give this team any more breathing room. We took our hands off the choke hold and let them breathe a little bit."

To advance, however, the Pacers will have to rediscover a level of sustained success that's been missing for months. Since they were 37-15 on Feb. 14, they've had only one three-

game winning streak.

"It's our turn to try and steal a win up there," Pacers coach Isiah Thomas said. "It's our last crack at it."

Jermaine O'Neal had 19 points and 22 rebounds, the latter a team record for a playoff game.

Antoine Walker led the Celtics with 21 points, Tony Delk had 19 and Pierce 16.

"The pressure is still on them," Walker said. "They've got to play that well at our building."

Whether fatigued or nervous, neither team got going offensively in overtime. Boston missed all six field goal attempts and the Pacers were 1-for-10.

The five points by both teams were the second fewest in a playoff overtime.

The difference came at the line, where Boston missed its only two attempts while the Pacers went 3-for-4.

Walker missed two free throws with 1:58 left that would have snapped an 88-88 tie.

Artest got his opportunity on the next possession when he was fouled by Eric Williams with 1:08 left. Artest missed the first but hit the second.

O'Neal added a baseline jumper and Artest clinched it with two free throws with 12 seconds left.

O'Neal continued to dominate for the Pacers. He just missed his second 20-20 game of the

series and is on pace to become the third player to average 20 points and 15 rebounds in a postseason since 1992.

"We got Jermaine O'Neal the ball at the right time and the right space, and he made the right shots," said guard Tim Hardaway.

It was Hardaway who gave the Pacers the boost they needed off the bench. After playing only 17 minutes in two playoff games, he hit several clutch shots in the fourth.

Hardaway tied the score at 86 on a 3-pointer with 3:40 left in regulation, and Artest followed with a left-handed layup for Indiana's first lead since the second quarter.

Walker's basket tied it 88-88 with 2:01 remaining, and that's the way it stayed until Artest's free throws.

Hardaway, signed in late March after working as a television analyst, hit a 3-pointer from the top of the arc that pulled Indiana within one with 61/2 minutes left.

Pierce followed with two jumpers, but Hardaway had an answer with a runner in the lane to get it back to three. He finished with 13 points in 27 minutes, as starting point guard Jamaal Tinsley played just three minutes in the second half.

"I thought it was a veteran's type of game where you needed his savvy out on the floor, his gamesmanship out on the floor," Thomas said. "His experience out on the floor and his shot making was timely."

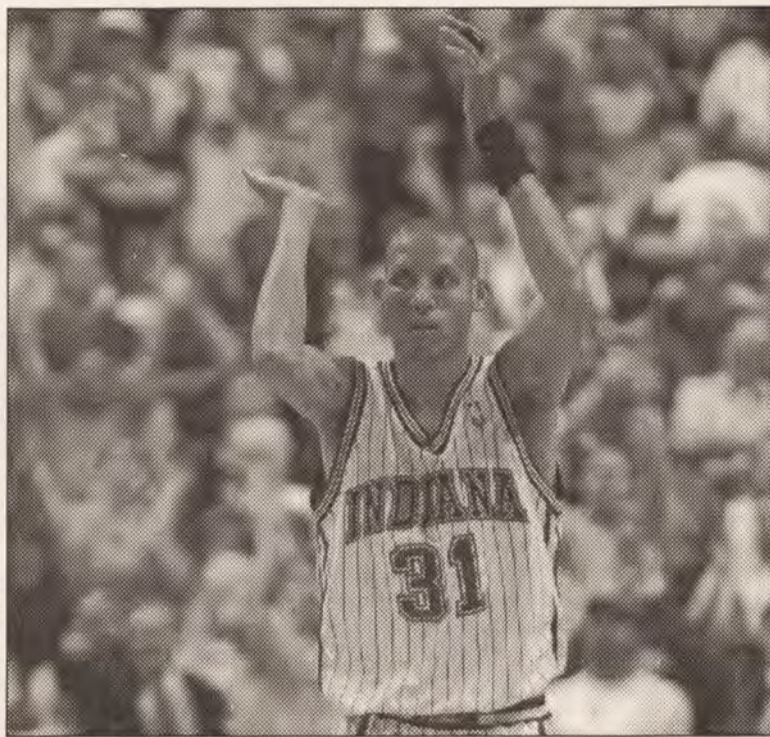
Each team missed jumpers in the final minute, and regulation ended with Artest swatting Pierce's shot out of bounds from behind.

Artest scored 10 points in the fourth quarter as the Pacers shot 73 percent (11-for-15).

The Pacers had squandered 16-point third quarter leads in both Games 1 and 4, which turned into Boston victories. They had another awful third period in Game 5, missing 13 of 17 shots.

Pierce and J.R. Bremer closed the quarter with 3-pointers for a 71-62 lead.

After scoring 32 points in the



Reuters

Reggie Miller applauds near the end of Indiana's Game 5 victory over Boston, which the Pacers won 93-88.

second half of Game 4, Pierce wasn't a factor in the first half of Game 5. He took only three shots, and two of those were airballs on step-back jumpers against Artest.

"It's the same stuff he's been doing all series," Pierce said. "I can't say he's got any new tricks or anything. He's just playing straight-up defense."

Nets 89, Bucks 82

The New Jersey Nets beat the Milwaukee Bucks at the perimeter game, then hit their foul shots for a change Tuesday night.

Richard Jefferson had 17 points and a career-best 16 rebounds and the Nets made 11 of 12 free throws in the final 2:35 to beat the Bucks 89-82 for a 3-2 lead in their first-round series.

Jason Kidd added 19 points, six rebounds and five assists and Kerry Kittles had 15 points for the defending Eastern Conference champions. The Nets can clinch the best-of-seven series by winning Thursday in Milwaukee or in New Jersey on Saturday if the Bucks force a deciding game.

Toni Kukoc had 18 points and Sam Cassell and Gary Payton added 16 apiece for Milwaukee.

The game had a little ugliness at the end when Cassell and Kenyon Martin, who scored just nine points in a foul-plagued night, engaged in a shoving match.

But that's just the way the game was played.

Martin's foul problems forced the Nets to use a three-guard

offense at times. It worked to perfection in the fourth quarter when Kittles hit three 3-pointers, the last for a 74-71 lead with 6:21 to play.

Milwaukee got within a point twice down the stretch as both teams struggled to score.

Desmond Mason's two free throws cut the Nets' lead to 76-75 with 3:48 to go. The next points weren't scored until Collins hit two free throws with 2:35 left, and that started a run of six straight points from the foul line.

New Jersey lost Game 4 in overtime because it missed nine of 13 free throws in the final four minutes.

This time, New Jersey hit 10 straight and Kidd made a tough shot in the lane with just over a minute to go to put it away.

The Nets went 5-for-7 and got a 3-pointer from Lucious Harris in an 8-2 run late in the third quarter to take a 61-57.

However, New Jersey squandered the lead in the final 3.7 seconds, allowing Payton to score on a layup and sending Michael Redd to the foul line for two shots after a turnover on the inbounds play.

Despite hitting one of their first 11 shots and having Martin pick up three fouls and only five points, the Nets led 44-38 at the half.

The key for New Jersey was using the small lineup, which not only scored but did an outstanding job playing perimeter defense. Kidd and fellow guards Harris and Kittles were joined on the floor by Jefferson and center Jason Collins.



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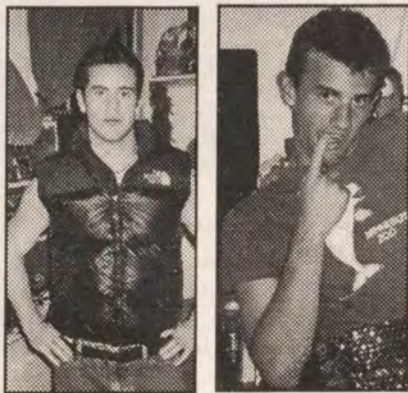
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Shearer wins award after outstanding week

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Notre Dame womens lacrosse standout, Danielle Shearer, capped one of the best weeks of her brilliant Irish lacrosse career by capturing two weekly honors. Shearer was named Warrior/Inside Lacrosse Player of the Week and she was also honored by the Big East Conference as its Co-Offensive Player of the Week along with Georgetown's Wick Stanwick. The Irish All-American and Tewaarton Trophy candidate racked up 13 points (nine goals and four assists) in three Notre Dame victories on the week. For good measure, she recorded eight ground balls, three caused turnovers and six draw controls in the three-game span.

On Sunday, in her final home game at Moose Krause Stadium, Shearer paced the Irish to a 13-6 Big East win by scoring six goals and one assist for the third seven-point game of her career. Her second goal of the game, which came in the

first half, made her Notre Dame's all-time leading goal scorer as she passed 2001 graduate Lael O'Shaughnessy's mark of 122 career goals. She finished the day with 127 career goals. Her seventh point of the game, a second-half assist on a Crysti Foote goal, allowed her to pass O'Shaughnessy's all-time point total of 190. Shearer goes into her final game versus Vanderbilt on Friday, May 2 with 191 career points.

Shearer started the week with a three-goal, one-assist effort on April 22 in Notre Dame's 18-6 win at home versus Davidson. She followed that with two assists in a 13-9 win over Northwestern, a game in which she was double and triple-teamed most of the afternoon. The Northwestern game marked the first time all season that Shearer failed to get in the goal-scoring column.

With points in all three games, the senior midfielder extended her current scoring streak to 35 games, a streak that started on April 25, 2001 during her sophomore year. In those 35 games, Shearer has recorded 82 goals and 49 assists for 131 points.

On the season, Shearer leads



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Danielle Shearer races towards the goal during a recent game. The senior scored 13 points and led the Irish to several key wins last week.

the Irish in scoring with 32 goals and 24 assists for 56 points in 14 games.

She is tied for the Big East lead in overall scoring and won the league's scoring championship in conference games with 32 points.

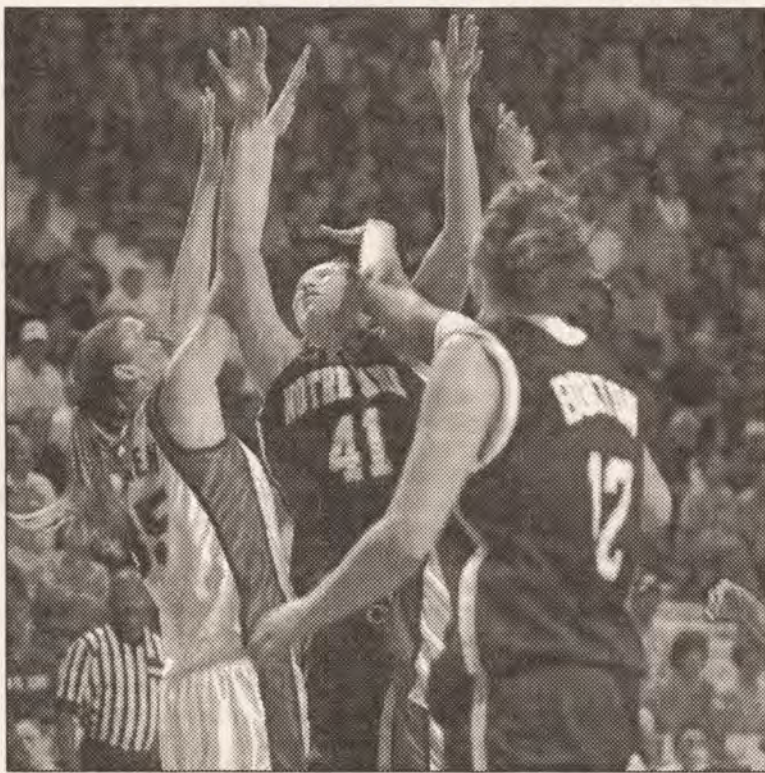
Foote Named Rookie Of The Week

Notre Dame womens lacrosse freshman, Crysti Foote, has been selected as womenslacrosse.com's Rookie of the Week for the week ending April 27th.

Foote helped the Irish to three consecutive wins on the week by scoring eight goals and adding six assists for 14 points in the three games. She added three ground balls and played solid throughout the contest.

ND WOMENS BASKETBALL

LaVere earns Freshman All-American honors



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Freshman forward Courtney LaVere gets fouled against Arizona. LaVere was named to the Freshman All-American team.

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame freshman forward Courtney LaVere has been named to the 2003 Freshman All-America Team by Women's College Hoops.com, the Web site announced Tuesday.

LaVere was a third-team selection and was one of five Big East Conference players to be chosen for the squad. Connecticut's Ann Strother and Barbara Turner, along with Miami's Tamara James

and Virginia Tech's Carrie Mason also were accorded Freshman All-America status.

LaVere turned in an impressive freshman season at Notre Dame, finishing second on the team in scoring (12.4 points per game), rebounding (5.6 rebounds per game) and field goal percentage (.486), and ranking 19th and 20th in the Big East in the first two categories.

She also scored in double figures 21 times and had a team-high five 20-point games, including a season-

high 23 points on two occasions. In addition, she posted five doubles-doubles, three of which came against ranked opponents.

LaVere finished with 398 points this season, the fourth-highest total ever by an Irish freshman, and her 180 rebounds ranked sixth all-time among Notre Dame freshmen.

For her efforts, she earned a spot on the Big East All-Rookie Team and picked up conference rookie of the week honors March 3.

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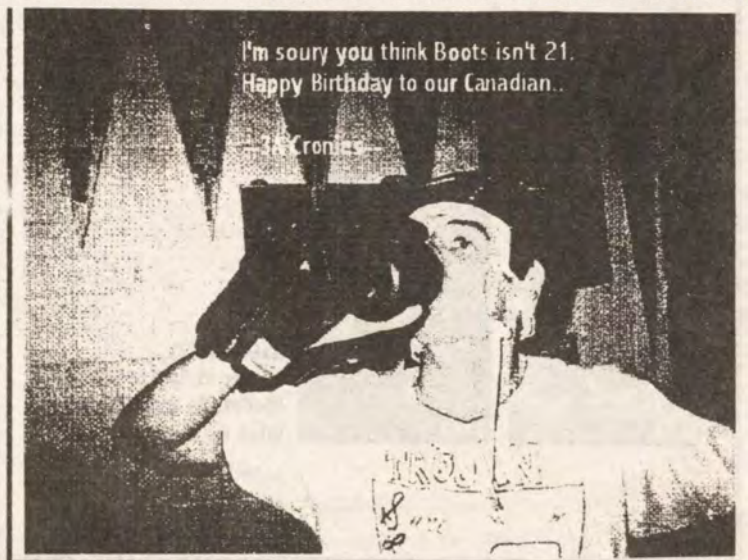
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KENTUCKY DERBY

Empire bruises foot, Baffert's Kafwain out of Derby

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. Looks as if the Derby Jinx might have struck early this year. Looks as if Bob Baffert will need all the luck he can get.

Favorite Empire Maker has a bruised foot, a minor injury that could change the outlook for Saturday's race. Trainer Bobby Frankel said his star colt will still run, but the odds could change dramatically when entries are taken Wednesday.

Until the bruise on Empire Maker's right front foot was disclosed Tuesday, Churchill Downs oddsmaker Mike Battaglia was set to install Empire Maker as the strong 6-5 favorite.

"Now I'll go by what Bobby says," Battaglia said. "If he says it's nothing to worry about, he'll stay there. If he says he'll run but there are some concerns, then I'll raise the line."

"And if he says he's out, I'll have to change everything."

Baffert might be changing a few things now that Kafwain is out with a strained ligament in his right front leg following a workout. The colt won four of 11 starts and was third in the Santa Anita Derby on April 5, his last race.

That leaves Baffert, who won his third Derby with War Emblem last year, with one Derby starter — long shot Indian Express.

"At least I've got the Panamanian youth," he said, referring to Indian Express winning his first two starts in

Panama.

Baffert's top Derby prospect is long gone. His 2-year-old champion Vindication was knocked off the trail in February with an injury.

The Derby Jinx appeared in Frankel's barn four days before a race that has been unkind to favorites since 1980.

Still, he was upbeat.

"You can never be 100 percent sure in this business, but I'd say I'm 98 percent sure he'll be all right," said Frankel, who also trains Derby contender Peace Rules. "But it's the Derby, you know, so what are you going to do."

After Spectacular Bid won as the .60-1 favorite in 1979, only one other favorite — Fusaichi Pegasus at 2.30-1 in 2000 — has returned to the winner's circle.

In 1992, favorite A.P. Indy was scratched early on race day with a bruised foot. In 1996, Unbridled's Song finished fifth as the 3.50-1 favorite after being fitted with a special shoe to protect a bruised foot.

After Empire Maker completed his final Derby workout Monday, Frankel said the most dangerous work was finished.

But on Tuesday morning, after returning from a 1-mile jog with Peace Rules, the colt's injury was discovered. That's when Frankel asked Dr. Ken Reed to take a look at Empire Maker.

"My vet doesn't think it's a problem," said the Hall of Fame trainer, looking for his first Derby win. "He recommended I walk him another day. He thinks



Empire Maker poses at victory circle of the Florida Derby after posting the largest margin of victory ever in the race. Empire Maker injured his foot this week training for Saturday's Kentucky Derby.

that will take care of it."

Empire Maker moved to the head of the 3-year-old class after convincing wins in the Florida Derby and Wood Memorial. The trainer said the injury occurred following an earlier bruise to the same foot in the Wood at Aqueduct on April 12, a race run on a track drying out after a day of rain.

The bruise is under Empire Maker's shoe, part of which was filed away by a farrier so the foot

could be soaked in hot water and Epsom salts. By Wednesday morning, Frankel will have a better idea of the colt's status.

With Empire Maker nicked and Kafwain out, trainer Tom Amoss said he will enter Lone Star Sky in the Derby. "After those developments, we decided to drop him in," Amoss said.

Baffert also said he will run Senor Swinger in Friday's Crown Royal American Turf. "He's not ready for the Derby," Baffert

said.

The field could total 17 when entries are taken Wednesday. The tentative field includes Atswhatimtalknbout, Brancusi, Buddy Gil, Domestic Dispute, Empire Maker, Funny Cide, Indian Express, Lone Star Sky, Offlee Wild, Outta Here, Peace Rules, Scrimshaw, Sir Cherokee, Supah Blitz, Ten Cents a Shine and Ten Most Wanted.

Eye of the Tiger is still under consideration.

WIMBLEDON

Players won't have to bow for Duke of Kent anymore

Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England One of Wimbledon's most enduring traditions is finished — players will no longer have to bow or curtsy to the Royal Box at Centre Court.

But while one custom fell Tuesday, the All England Club

confirmed that another will remain: Men will be paid more than women.

Players have been required to bow or curtsy to the royal family when walking onto or leaving Centre Court. From now on they will have to do so only if Queen Elizabeth II or Prince Charles, her eldest son and heir

to the throne, is in the box.

The queen hasn't attended Wimbledon since 1977 when she presented the women's trophy to Virginia Wade. Prince Charles made his only appearance in 1970.

The decision to scrap the tradition was made at the request of the Duke of Kent, who has

been the All England Club's president since 1969. He and his wife, the Duchess of Kent, attend frequently each year and present the winners' trophies.

"It's been part of a discussion that's been going on for some time," All England chief executive Christopher Gorringer said. "It's sad, but we have to move

on. We know there is very little bowing or curtsying done in royal circles now."

Meanwhile, the Wimbledon prize money gap will continue at this year's tournament, which runs from June 23 to July 6.

The men's winner will receive \$914,250 and the women's champion will get \$850,650. Lleyton Hewitt received \$834,750 for winning last year while Serena Williams earned \$772,740.

Total prize money for the grass-court tournament is going up 6.2 percent to \$14.9 million.

Overall prize money for both sexes is up 6.8 percent to \$7.4 million for men and \$6.3 million for women.

Wimbledon and the French Open give more money to the men. The two other Grand Slam tournaments, the U.S. Open and Australian Open, pay equal prize money.

All England Club chairman Tim Phillips reiterated Wimbledon's position that the money split is "fair."

WTA chief executive Larry Scott said he was disappointed Wimbledon again "failed to address the long-standing inequity between men's and women's prize money."

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Baseball

Big East Standings

team	W	L	Pct.	overall
NOTRE DAME	13	2	.867	34-9
Rutgers	13	3	.813	21-14
West Virginia	12	3	.800	29-12
Pittsburgh	10	7	.588	30-13
Virginia Tech	10	7	.588	27-15
St. John's	9	8	.529	23-20
Boston College	7	8	.467	23-17
Seton Hall	8	11	.421	16-21
Connecticut	7	12	.368	19-20
Villanova	5	14	.263	11-26
Georgetown	2	21	.087	10-32

Softball

USA Today/NFCA Poll

team	record
1 Arizona	41-4-0
2 UCLA	36-5-0
3 Texas	35-7-0
4 Washington	37-7-1
5 Oklahoma	35-8-0
6 DePaul	34-4-0
7 Cal State-Fullerton	30-13-0
7 Nebraska	32-11-0
9 California	38-12-0
10 Georgetown	47-9-0
11 Louisiana State	38-11-0
12 Arizona State	28-15-0
13 Florida State	37-9-0
14 Michigan	31-10-0
15 Oklahoma State	32-9-0
16 Stanford	32-18-0
17 Alabama	38-16-0
18 South Carolina	32-14-0
19 Texas A&M	33-15-0
20 South Florida	46-12-0
21 Illinois	35-8-0
21 La.-Lafayette	33-7-0
23 Oregon	24-14-0
24 Iowa	33-10-0
25 Florida	33-16-0

Lacrosse Polls

Mens

1 Johns Hopkins
2 Virginia
3 Massachusetts
4 Maryland
5 Georgetown
6 Princeton
7 Hofstra
8 Rutgers
9 Cornell
10 Syracuse
11 Towson
12 Duke
12 Penn State
14 Md.-Baltimore County
15 Dartmouth
16 North Carolina
17 Ohio State
18 NOTRE DAME
19 Loyola
20 Navy

Womens

1 Loyola
2 Maryland
3 Virginia
4 Duke
5 Georgetown
6 Princeton
7 James Madison
8 Dartmouth
9 Yale
10 Ohio State
11 Syracuse
12 Penn State
13 Cornell
14 Stanford
15 Vanderbilt
16 Johns Hopkins
17 North Carolina
18 NOTRE DAME
19 Old Dominion
20 Boston University

KENTUCKY DERBY



Zuma Press

Jockey Laffit Pincay Jr., shown here after his July 14 win in the Hollywood Gold Cup, retired Tuesday after breaking his neck in March. Laffit, a former Kentucky Derby winner, was scheduled to ride in this Saturday's Derby.

Broken neck forces Pincay Jr. to retire

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Kent. Hall of Fame jockey Laffit Pincay Jr. retired Tuesday after breaking his neck in a spill in March, ending a career in which he won a record 9,530 races.

Pincay, 56, was severely injured in a turf race March 1 when another horse that was ultimately disqualified swung wide into the stretch, knocked Pincay off his mount and rolled on him.

At the time, the injury didn't appear serious and Pincay was treated at the

track and released. When the pain persisted, he was examined by doctors, who found two breaks in the same bone in his neck. He had been wearing a halo brace to heal the breaks.

However, doctors advised Pincay that his spine is not sufficiently stable to allow him to ride, said Hollywood Park spokesman Mike Mooney, who announced Pincay's decision.

Pincay was supposed to be in Louisville for Saturday's Kentucky Derby to ride Indian Express for trainer Bob Baffert. The injury changed those plans and the horse Pincay rec-

ommended that Baffert purchase will be ridden by 20-year-old Tyler Baze in his first Derby mount.

Pincay's 39-year career includes election to racing's Hall of Fame in 1975, a 1984 Kentucky Derby victory, three Belmont Stakes victories, five Eclipse Awards, and mounts on such great horses as Affirmed and John Henry.

Pincay was second in the Santa Anita jockeys' standings with 52 victories when he got hurt. He was winning at better than a 21 percent clip — highest among the track's riders.

He became racing's win-

ningest rider on Dec. 10, 1999, when he rode Irish Nip to victory at Hollywood Park. His 8,834th win was one more than the record set by Bill Shoemaker.

Pincay broke the cervical 2 bone in his neck, one of the uppermost seven vertebrae of the spine.

His family, including wife Jeanine and his two grown children Lisa and Laffit III, had urged him to retire after the accident. Pincay also has a 6-year-old son, Jean-Laffit.

"The doctor recommended that I never ride again," Pincay said in a statement. "It's a very sad day for myself and Jeanine."

IN BRIEF

Jeter will return in 2-3 weeks

Derek Jeter has seen enough of Florida and the New York Yankees' spring training complex.

"I'm sick of Tampa," he said Tuesday after meeting with the team's medical staff. "I love Tampa — I live there in the offseason, but I'm ready to get out."

Jeter, who dislocated his left shoulder in the season opener, hopes to rejoin the Yankees by May 13, when they return from the West Coast and start a series against the World Series champion Anaheim Angels.

He started swinging off a tee Monday and hopes to take batting practice this weekend.

"If everything goes well, I'd like to play in some minor league games next week," the five-time All-Star said during a pregame news conference at Yankee Stadium, a towel draped over his right (healthy) shoulder.

New York wants its shortstop to go

slowly with his recovery, preferring he be completely healed before he returns. Yankees manager Joe Torre already anticipates that Jeter will say he's ready to play before the medical staff clears him.

"Two-to-three weeks is realistic, as long as he doesn't have any setbacks," Torre said.

Kings' Jackson named Sixth Man of the Year

Sacramento Kings guard Bobby Jackson won the NBA's Sixth Man of the Year award Tuesday.

Jackson, the Kings' offensive spark plug, is just the second point guard to win the award, joining Orlando's Darrell Armstrong in 1999.

After finishing second in the balloting last season behind Detroit's Corliss Williamson, Jackson received 52 of the 118 first-place votes from a panel of broadcasters and journalists.

"It's a great honor," Jackson said. "There are a lot of great athletes out

there. It says a lot about this team. I could not have done it without them.

"We've got guys on this team who deserve a lot of awards, but our real focus is on winning an NBA championship."

Jackson got 362 points in the voting. Milwaukee shooting guard Michael Redd finished second with 257, and Utah forward Andrei Kirilenko was third with 127.

Jackson was the Kings' fourth-leading scorer, averaging a career-best 15.2 points for the two-time Pacific Division champions. He also recorded career bests in shooting percentage (46.4), free throw percentage (84.6) and 3-point percentage (37.9).

But Jackson's season was hardly a typical one for a sixth man.

He started 26 games for the Kings last fall while Mike Bibby missed the first seven weeks with a foot injury — but after a collision with Shaquille O'Neal on Christmas, Jackson missed the Kings' next 20 games.

around the dial

NBA BASKETBALL

Hornets at 76ers 5 p.m., TNT
Trailblazers at Mavericks 7:30 p.m., TNT

NHL HOCKEY

Devils at Lightning 6 p.m., ESPN
Stars at Mighty Ducks 9 p.m., ESPN

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Athletics at White Sox 7 p.m., FOXCH
Cubs at Giants 9 p.m., ESPN2

NFL

Smith charged with DUI

Associated Press

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. Bruce Smith was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol after being stopped for speeding.

The Washington Redskins' defensive end was ticketed

early Sunday for going 61 mph in a 45 mph zone and charged with DUI, police spokesman Mike Carey said.

Lawrence Cardon, Smith's attorney, said Smith's blood-alcohol breath test registered 0.07, below the state legal limit of 0.08. Still, state law allows for DUI citations in

such cases if the arresting officer finds other evidence of impairment.

"I think that after the evidence all comes out, this thing will be dismissed," Cardon said. "He was very cooperative ... he's just a nice guy."

Smith was released on a personal recognizance bond.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Bowden's son pleads guilty to money crime

Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.

A son of Florida State football coach Bobby Bowden pleaded guilty Tuesday to swindling millions from

investors — including his father.

Steve Bowden admitted conspiring with former Alabama quarterback Brian Burgdorf in a scheme that prosecutors say defrauded investors of \$10 million.

The scam involved selling unregistered securities through The Millennium Fund, which billed itself as being for "the privileged few." Assistant U.S. Attorney Adolph Dean said Steve Bowden brought in his father and three other investors, who lost a total of \$4.4 million. Bobby Bowden invested \$1.6 million, Dean said.

Steve Bowden pleaded guilty to conspiring to sell unregistered securities. A second man, James Michael Hanks of Hoover, pleaded guilty to conspiracy and tax charges during a hearing before U.S. District Judge Karon O. Bowdre.

Burgdorf, who was a captain at Alabama as a senior in 1995, intends to plead guilty during a hearing Friday, said his attorney, Ron Marlow. He didn't say what charges would be involved.

Prosecutors will recommend a sentence of one to two years in prison for Hanks and probation for Bowden, Dean said. Bowdre set sentencing for July 30.

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In wake of SARS, \$1 ticket special sells out Jays game



Fans watch a game in Toronto between the Blue Jays and Royals April 25.

Associated Press

TORONTO

The Blue Jays sold out Tuesday night's game against the Texas Rangers after offering \$1 tickets in an effort to show Toronto remains vibrant despite SARS.

The sellout was announced before the World Health Organization lifted its warning against nonessential travel to Toronto, saying it was satisfied with local measures to stop the spread of severe acute respiratory syndrome.

The Blue Jays' parent company, Rogers Communications Inc., said it wants to "bring the community together at SkyDome ... to show its support for the city of Toronto."

The tickets sold for \$1 Canadian, which is worth 69 cents in U.S. currency. A crowd of 48,097 turned out — the largest since opening day.

Fans bought tickets at a rate of about 2,000 an hour and SkyDome was sold out late Monday night. About 34,000 tickets were bought for the reduced price. The 16,000 fans who paid full price will be able to buy a \$1 ticket for a later game.

With the average Blue Jays ticket about \$14 in American dollars, the move is costing Rogers roughly \$484,000.

"This is an opportunity to say 'Look we're all right, we're a vibrant, safe and healthy city,'" Blue Jays president Paul Godfrey said.

The U.S. ambassador to Canada, Paul Cellucci, will throw out the ceremonial first pitch Tuesday.

Cellucci said Toronto's SARS outbreak has been overblown, and it's safe to visit the city.

While some visiting players have been nervous about traveling to Toronto, fans haven't been reluctant. For their three-game series against Kansas City, the Blue Jays drew 16,417 spectators Friday, 17,197 on Saturday and 17,059 on Sunday, their second-, third- and fourth-biggest crowds this season.

Godfrey estimated SARS already has cost the club the sale of 10,000 tickets and said inquiries for group sales have dropped substantially.



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Irish

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in a big way with a single to left center field that plated two DePaul runs and sent the game into extra innings.

Relief pitcher Carrie Wisen would enter the game to replace Booth and would pitch well before allowing the winning run in the ninth, when Katy Kukman singled to drive in Saskia Roberson and give the Blue Demons their 40th win on the year.

Lindsay Chouinard pitched the entire game for the Blue Demons and collected the win, improving to 26-4 on the year.

The second game of the doubleheader was cancelled due to rain and time constraints.

Notre Dame returns home to face Villanova in a key Big East doubleheader this Friday. First pitch is scheduled for 4 p.m.

Contact Justin Schuver at jschuver@nd.edu

Best

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the player who shoots the most and makes the least.

John Barnes of RBC was awarded the Iron Man Award after suffering an ankle injury in RBC's upset of defending champion and top seed AdWorks in their quarterfinal match.

On the first team was NDToday.com's and mens basketball team walk-on Dan Lustig, Steve Lickus of We Get Wet, Ben Nichol of 1/2 Man, 1/2 Amazing, Irvin Jones of Team Irvin Jones and Tommy Walz from La-Z-Boy.

"It's a nice honor to be recognized by the commissioners as some of the top basketball players on campus," Walz said.

The second team consisted of NDToday.com's Jim Kilroy, RBC's Jeff Wiltraut, We Get Wet's Greg Bosl, Daniel Spoon of Pound it Out and Dan Surrent from A lot of White and One Black Knight.

Pogie Pogonis from 5 Jamonies, RBC's Jon Joyce,

Brian Rush of NDToday.com, Future Welfare Recipients' Mike McGinn and Pykosz from S.P. Shockers III comprised the third team.

Making the all-Ty Team, or the top football players competing in the tournament, were Courtney Watson, Jerome Collins, Carlyle Holiday, Scott Raridon, Pat Nally, Anthony Fasano, Ronnie Rodamer, Rhema McNight, Tim O'Neill, Justin Tuck and Brian Mattes.

With over 500 teams competing every year the tradition of Bookstore Basketball runs deep at Notre Dame and Walz knows how much it means to the campus community.

"You get to see all the varsity athletes to see how they compete, and I think it's great to compete and to see people cheering for you or against you out there," Walz said. "It's something that only Notre Dame has, and the tradition is just growing and other schools can't say they have it."

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Notre Dame basketball walk-on and All-Bookstore First Team selection Dan Lustig drives with the basketball in last Sunday's Championship game.

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BASEBALL

It's test time for the Irish

The biggest test for the Irish baseball team isn't in Finance or Biology next week. It's against Rutgers and West Virginia.

Sure the players have to study for exams during the next several days. And there's that game against Oakland tonight at Frank Eck Stadium.

But there will be no greater test for this club than when they face the Scarlet Knights and Mountaineers over the next two weekends.

If Notre Dame hopes to return to Omaha, Neb., and the College World Series, their quest begins here. Forget those first 44 games. They don't mean much now — not if the Irish can't knock off the second- and third-place teams in the Big East standings. At 13-3 and 12-3, Rutgers and West Virginia sit just a half-game and a game back, respectively, of the first-place Irish. And both teams would like nothing more than to upend the top dog in the conference in the next few days.



Joe Hettler

Sports Editor

How will Notre Dame respond to these challenges? It's tough to tell. Last weekend, the Irish swept Connecticut in a three-game series that coach Paul Mainieri said was "critical" for his team.

But the Huskies are having a down year at only 19-20 and 7-12 in the Big East.

It'll be interesting to see how Notre Dame's freshmen respond to the heightened pressure that accompanies these big games. How these youngsters handle that pressure may be the difference between a Big East Championship and third place.

"These players know that every game is crucial at this point," Mainieri said, following his team's 8-4 loss to Michigan Tuesday night. "There's not time to let up, and each kid has to find out how to play his best because this is pressure time, with pressure games."

Another looming question is whether Mainieri can dig deep enough into his pitching staff to win a three-game series against teams like Rutgers and West Virginia. Starter Pete Ogilvie is still playing catch up since suffering from a sore shoulder. Grant Johnson won't pitch at all this season because of shoulder surgery in the off-season. That leaves the Irish staff with three consistent starters in Chris Niesel, John Axford and Ryan

Kalita, but no real strong guy backing them up. It'll be key for those three to take the staff on their shoulders and carry them through these tough games.

Last year, Notre Dame won nearly every key series throughout the season and was virtually unstoppable down the stretch. But that squad was led by numerous seniors. The 2003 Irish have only a few older guys, with most players being freshman or sophomores.

Will this inexperience make a difference? Irish fans will know by the end of next week.

Notre Dame's had 44 games to prepare for next week. It doesn't get any easier after that either. They still have a tough series at Virginia Tech. Then there's the Big East Tourney. Then, if they make it, the regionals. And super regionals.

If they pass all of those tests, Notre Dame will be back in the College World Series with a chance at a national title.

But first, they need to beat West Virginia and Rutgers. Those are their first two tests, and they're big ones. Just ask Mainieri.

"We're going to really separate the men from the boys," he said.

The opinions of this column are those of the author and not necessarily The Observer. Contact Joe Hettler at jhettler@nd.edu



CHIP MARKS/The Observer

Notre Dame outfielder Brennan Grogan fouls off a pitch against Ball State in a game last week.

Loss

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Jones yielded a hit, a stolen base and another hit to begin the fifth, pushing Michigan's edge to 5-0. Fox then doubled to put runners on second and third. Jones retired the next Wolverine before being yanked for reliever Matt Laird, who gave up an RBI hit and a sacrifice fly before retiring the third out in the inning.

Notre Dame fought back in the

sixth inning, scoring three times, thanks to RBI singles from shortstop Matt Macri, right fielder Cody Rizzo and designated hitter Matt Bransfield. Macri led the Irish at the plate with three hits, two runs scored and an RBI in the game.

But the Irish could never recover from the seven-run deficit.

"We dug ourselves a hole and couldn't get out of it," Mainieri said.

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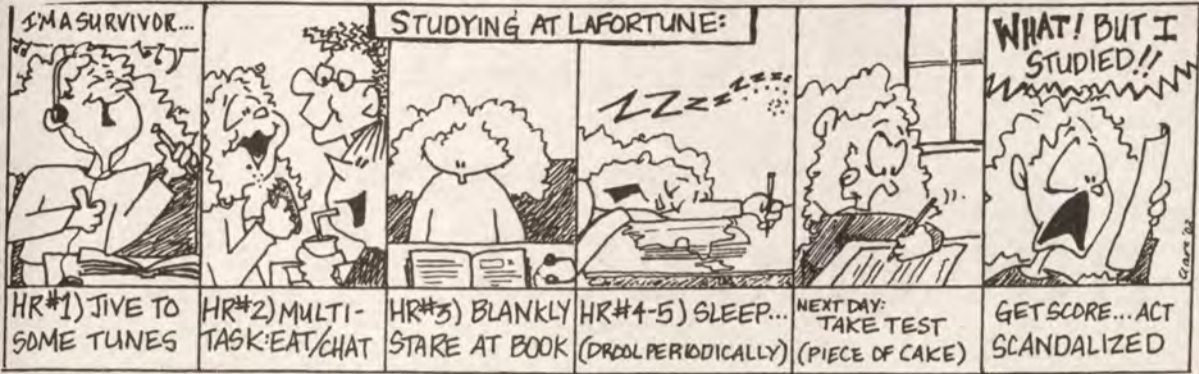
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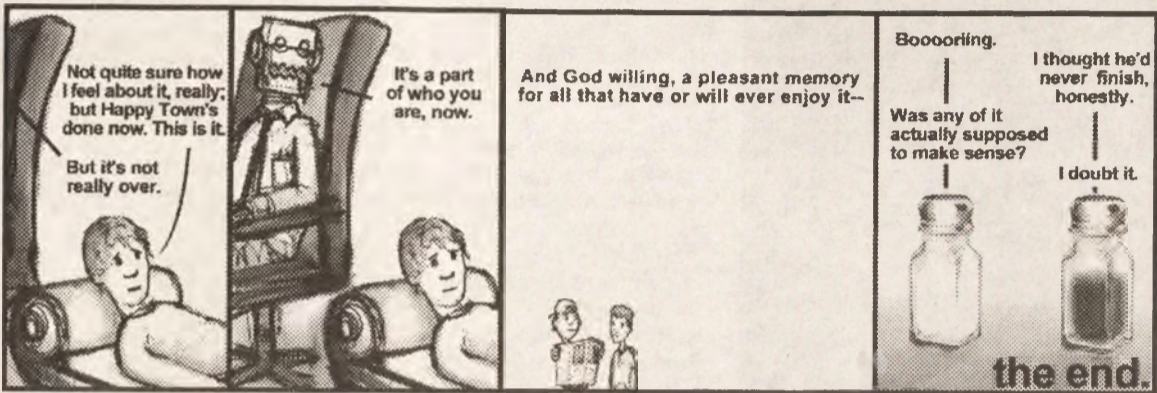
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Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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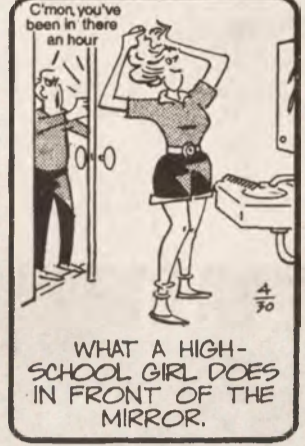
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Yesterday's Jumbles: WRATH BRIAR FACTOR BEAVER
Answer: What an excitable customer can do when the tailor makes a mistake — HAVE A "FIT"

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



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

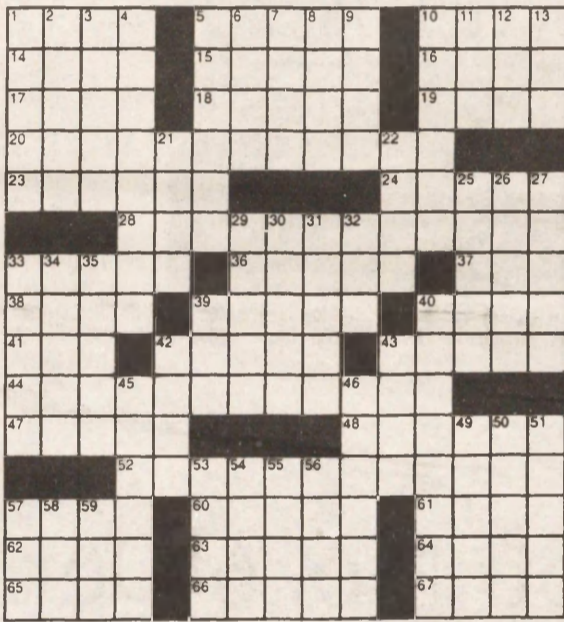
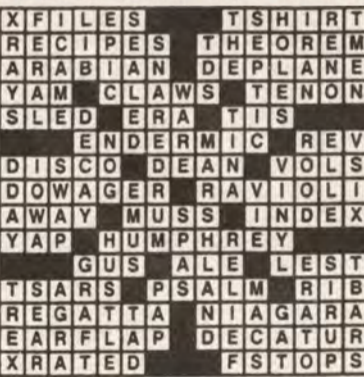
Answers tomorrow

CROSSWORD

WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS**
- 1 Winter coating
 - 5 Big hit
 - 10 Book before Nehemiah
 - 14 Just
 - 15 Phone line?
 - 16 Sweet-talk
 - 17 Tim of "Sister, Sister"
 - 18 How some stocks are sold
 - 19 In the (focused)
 - 20 Rescue Mrs. Perón's pottery?
 - 23 Come out
 - 24 Screen letters
 - 28 Fill roles for a Broadway show?
 - 33 It's hot in Paris
 - 36 Derby prize
 - 37 "Mamma"
- DOWN**
- 38 Hoarse speech
 - 39 Chips go-with
 - 40 "___ la vie"
 - 41 Internet address, for short
 - 42 Get together
 - 43 Desert sight
 - 44 Locate cookware components?
 - 47 Namely
 - 48 "___ Woman" (1972 Eagles hit)
 - 52 Misplace single fruit?
 - 57 Cheek
 - 60 Give off
 - 61 Stately florae
 - 62 Hand cream ingredient
 - 63 Steam, e.g.
 - 64 Unfetter
- DOWN**
- 65 Kind of bust
 - 66 File material
 - 67 Noted vaudeville family
 - 1 Cowboy's companion
 - 2 Wee hour
 - 3 Breathing
 - 4 Coveted golf trophy
 - 5 Tonsorial touchups
 - 6 Introduction to physics?
 - 7 Skier's mecca
 - 8 Pole, for one
 - 9 Round dance
 - 10 Skin condition
 - 11 Vet's employer
 - 12 Turned tail
 - 13 Fire
 - 21 "Yikes!"
 - 22 Cong. meeting
 - 25 High points
 - 26 "Who's there?" response
 - 27 Future attys.' hurdles
 - 29 Albinism, e.g.
 - 30 Unitas's team
 - 31 Good thing
 - 32 Gunpowder, for one
 - 33 Pizza feature

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Puzzle by Alan Arbesfeld

- ACROSS**
- 34 Silent movie star?
 - 35 Do ___ burn
 - 39 ___-cone
 - 40 Lets go
 - 42 Engaged in
 - 43 Taylor boy of 60's TV
 - 45 Farm machine
 - 46 Hooter's hangout
 - 49 Mild smoke
 - 50 Contrived
 - 51 Toadies' replies
 - 53 Golfer Ballesteros
 - 54 Physical, e.g.
 - 55 Movie extra, in brief
 - 56 Reason to bathe
 - 57 Short punch
 - 58 Motivation for Manolete
 - 59 Distress

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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Willie Nelson, Jill Clayburgh, Kirsten Dunst, Jeff Timmons

Happy Birthday: If you have been spending too much time with people with whom you have no common interests, make some changes. If you don't satisfy your need for mental stimulation, it is unlikely you will make much progress this year. It's up to you to make the changes required. Your numbers are 11, 18, 23, 27, 41, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't push your beliefs and attitudes unless you're prepared to deal with extreme opposition. Do your own thing and allow others the same privilege. ★★

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): If you are stubborn you can expect to experience a backlash. Emotional confrontations will develop into a loss of trust or loyalty. Listen -- don't retaliate. ★★

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may be generous and giving, but you must not let others put too many demands on you. You may discover it pays to rub elbows with people who can help you get ahead. ★★

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Things will be a little difficult today if you are intent on sticking your nose in everyone's business. Put your energy into something worthwhile. ★★

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There won't be enough hours in the day to do all the things that you have on your agenda. Choose wisely. Mingle with people who have something to offer. ★★

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Money matters may be on your mind today. Focus on how to make your money grow or put it into something worthwhile, like your home or a personal investment. ★★

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may not like the disharmony going on in your personal life today, but the end result will be to your benefit. Concentrate on where you can make a difference and how you can help others. ★★

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will be able to take control of your life today if you are quick to do what is necessary financially, physically and professionally. Take the initiative and make the moves. ★★

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Put some of your ideas down on paper or run them by someone who may be interested in helping you further your dreams. You can make personal changes that will enhance your body, mind and soul. ★★

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may experience some harsh realities on the home front. Don't be surprised if someone you thought adored you is not as happy as you thought. You may have to make some quick changes. ★★

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Business or emotional partnerships will be spectacular today. Be open and willing to share your thoughts with others. ★★

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Focus on what you have and what you want. If the two don't match up, you may have to make some changes. Don't be so sensitive that you keep giving in to everyone around you at your own expense. ★★

Birthday Baby: You will be sensitive, caring and dedicated to whatever cause you believe in. You will not back down, but will stand by your word and live up to your promises.

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SPORTS

Wednesday, April 30, 2003

BASEBALL

Just not enough



Irish third baseman Greg Lopez gathers a foul ball during play against Ball State last week. Notre Dame dropped a game to Michigan 8-4 Tuesday.

◆ Irish fail to convert chances in 8-4 loss

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

Pete Ogilvie didn't pitch well Tuesday against Michigan, but his teammates didn't help him much either.

Michigan used a strong pitching performance from starter Drew Taylor (5-1) and two RBIs each from Brock Koman, Jake Fox and Matt Butler to upset Notre Dame 8-4 at Fifth Third Ballpark in Comstock, Mich.

Ogilvie struggled through three innings of work, giving up four earned runs, walking four and hitting a batter. It was Ogilvie's second start since his being out of the rotation for several weeks with a sore shoulder.

"It wasn't one of Peter's best games," Irish coach Paul Mainieri said. "His control problems were his demise and that's just not [characteristic] of him."

Tyler Jones relived Ogilvie in the fourth and allowed three earned runs on four hits in just 1 1/3 innings of work.

Notre Dame's bats couldn't bail their pitchers out either,

failing to knock in runs at crucial points throughout the game.

Catcher Javi Sanchez left a runner on second in the fifth when he grounded out to the Michigan second baseman. Third baseman Greg Lopez struck out with men on first and second in the sixth after the Irish had cut the Wolverine lead to 7-3.

With one out in the seventh, the Big East's leading RBI producer, Irish first baseman Matt Edwards, went down swinging with one out and second baseman Steve Sollmann on third. Notre Dame's cleanup hitter, centerfielder Kris Billmaier, ended the inning by popping up to first base.

"We had our chances, but didn't get enough guys to come through," Mainieri said. "We had guys get one good at-bat, when we needed two good at-bats."

The Wolverines jumped on the Irish early, scoring a pair of runs in the third and fourth innings before adding three more in the fifth.

After Ogilvie walked the first two batters in the fourth inning, Jones entered the game and induced a fly out before giving up a two-run double to Butler.

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SOFTBALL

Irish fail to hold off No. 6 Demons

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

Notre Dame came up just short in their chance at revenge against No. 6 DePaul, losing 4-3 in nine innings. The Blue Demons had defeated the Irish 11-2 back on March 14, the largest losing margin so far this season for the Irish.

Leading 3-1 going into the bottom of the seventh, the Irish were unable to hold the lead and the Blue Demons scored twice to send the game into extra innings.

DePaul was able to win the game in the ninth with an RBI single, spoiling the Irish upset bid.

The Blue Demons improved their home record to 14-0, but the Irish provided perhaps the toughest challenge to that unblemished mark that DePaul has faced this year.

It was DePaul who leapt out

to the early lead in the bottom of the third inning, when Dana Kerney hit a double and advanced to third on a sacrifice bunt before stealing home.

The Irish would come back to tie the game at a run apiece in the top of the fourth inning. Shortstop Andria Bledsoe doubled to knock in third baseman Andrea Loman for the first Irish run of the game.

Notre Dame would then score two more runs in the seventh inning, one off an RBI single from right fielder Nicole deFau and one off a Blue Demon throwing error.

Irish starter Heather Booth ran into trouble early in the bottom of the seventh by walking the leadoff hitter and then hitting the next batter with a pitch. A bunt single by DePaul loaded the bases.

Sarah Martz came through

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An Irish softball player is tagged out at home in a game against Northwestern earlier this year.

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BOOKSTORE XXXII

Dursi takes top honor

By MATT LOZAR
Associate Sports Editor

He made the biggest shots at the end of the game and for that, Joe Dursi from Bookstore Basketball champion RBC was named the MVP of the 2003 Tournament.

For their four-year dedication to the tournament, Brian Ostick and Abbey Coons were named Mr. and Ms. Bookstore, respectively.

Chris Clevenger won the Hatchet Award which goes to the tournament's biggest fouler. Mike Pykosz claimed the Hoosier Award, given to

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

BASEBALL

West Virginia at Notre Dame

Saturday, 12:05
Sunday, 12:05

The Irish play a doubleheader Saturday.

SOFTBALL

Villanova at Notre Dame
Friday, 4 p.m.

Rutgers at Notre Dame
Sunday, 11 a.m.

MENS LACROSSE

Maryland at Notre Dame

Saturday, 1 p.m.

A must win if the Irish want an at-large bid to the postseason.

WOMENS LACROSSE

Notre Dame at Vanderbilt

Friday, 7 p.m.

The Irish travel to take on the Commodores this weekend.

TRACK

Notre Dame at Big East Championships

Friday through Sunday

The competition occurs in Storrs, Conn.

ROWING

Notre Dame at Windemere Cup

Saturday

The races will take place in Seattle.