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Morrissey rector changes parietals

Repeated vandalism invokes stringent visitation rules

By SHIELA FLYNN
Senior Staff Writer

For the second year in a row, Morrissey parietals have been changed from 2 a.m. to midnight as punishment for vandalism in the dorm.

Rector Father J. Steele sent dorm residents an email Wednesday citing "the intentional destruction of peg boards, the sounding of a false alarm and the damaging of a

wheelchair" as his motivation for moving the parietals time. In addition, he castigated residents for not admitting to vandalism or urging those responsible to turn themselves in.

"There is a persistent notion that we should not rat on our friends," Steele wrote in the email. "We should cover for them and never make them take responsibility for their actions. This is the Honor Among Thieves ... However, it is the duty of real friends to

encourage each other to become men rather than remain boys. This is a matter of True Honor."

Residents said they found the decision unwarranted and the email offensive.

"I just didn't think it was very fair of him to suggest that we had a code of thieves and to question our manhood, when the vast majority of us didn't even know this was going on," said sophomore Tom Johnson.

"It happened to us last year, but last year it had been a much bigger deal before [the parietals had been changed]," he said.

Freshman Andrew Sheedy also said he considered the decision to be "a tad overboard," and the email to be "really cheesy and overboard and just really stupid."

However other students, though still unhappy with the

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Farley named best hall

By JANICE FLYNN
News Writer

Finest? You bet.

The women of Farley Hall have lived up to their nickname and have been named Overall Hall of the Year for 2003-04.

It was a top-to-bottom effort, ranging from the support of rector Sister Carrine Etheridge, to the dedication of hall presidents, staff and commissioners, to the enthusiasm of the residents.

The Hall Presidents' Council chooses the hall of the year based on several categories, which include academic, social, athletic, service, spirit, multicultural and gender relations. Keenan and Howard Halls were chosen as Men's and Women's Halls of the Year, respectively.

Hall Presidents Beth Duran, Nikki Parker, Katy Ryan and Courtney Badgley, all juniors, said they were delighted by the news, and pleased at seeing their hard work rewarded.

"We just started off the year with really high goals," Duran said. "I guess you could say our theme this year was innovation."

This innovative spirit struck a chord with the selection committee, which was extremely impressed by Farley's year, according to Hall Presidents' Council co-chair Sarah Keefer.

"Farley had amazingly innovative ideas and strong outcomes," Keefer said. "They had really high attendance at all of their events and had events that grabbed

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Class research focuses on gay marriage

Graphics project will highlight the controversial issue

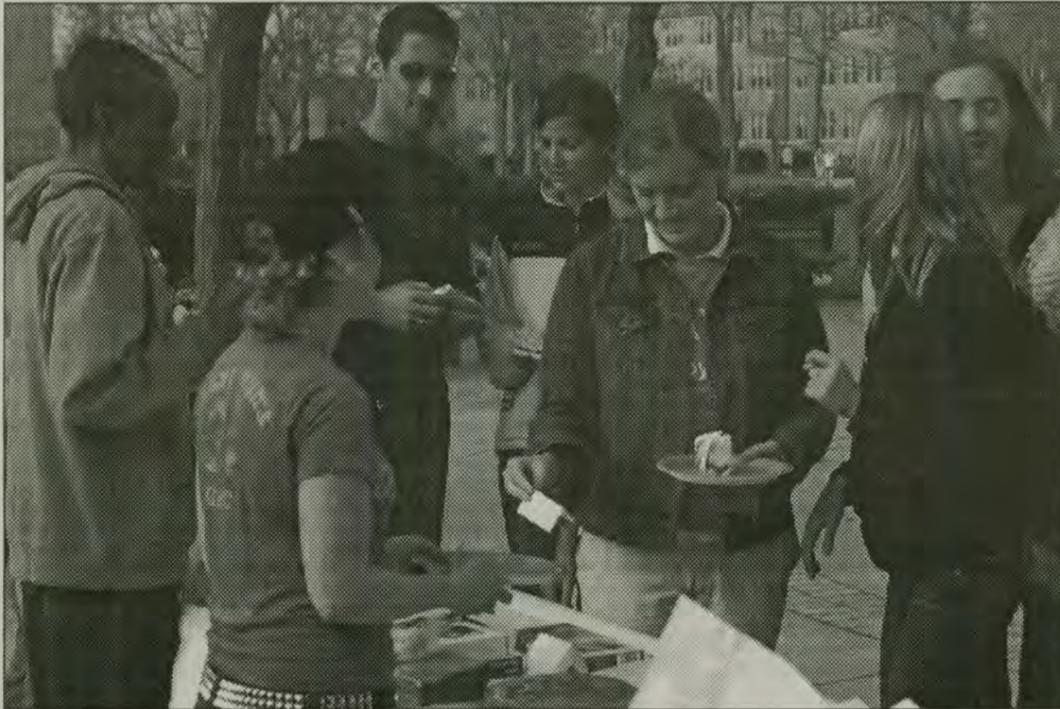
By JOE TROMBELLO
Assistant News Editor

Students in Robert Sedlack's graphic design III class have prepared posters, buttons, Web sites and even a gay wedding reception to both showcase their research on gay marriage and get their message across to the Notre Dame campus.

One poster reads "Keep it 27," a comment opposing the creation of a 28th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution to ban gay marriages, while a small card asking "Whatever happened to Adam and Steve?" may be opened to discover a link to a Web site highlighting both the arguments in support of and against gay marriage.

Those who view the Web site are forced to select either "I am against gay marriage" or "I am for gay marriage" and are taken to arguments in opposi-

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Students in Robert Sedlack's graphic design III class hold a mock wedding reception at Fieldhouse Mall Wednesday. The students collaborated on a project addressing gay marriage.

Howard hosts donor search

By JEN ROWLING
News Writer

Howard Hall's fourth annual Bone Marrow Drive will take place today on the first floor of LaFortune from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. All members of the Notre Dame community are encouraged to participate and register their bone marrow on the national registry, organizers said.

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Library department preserves rare books

By MATT BRAMANTI
Senior Staff Writer

Notre Dame is a university imbued with the past. Students note 32 years of coeducation. Irish faithful boast of the glories of 115 football seasons. Domers celebrate the University's 162-year history.

But those times pale in comparison to the history contained in the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections, tucked away behind tinted glass doors in

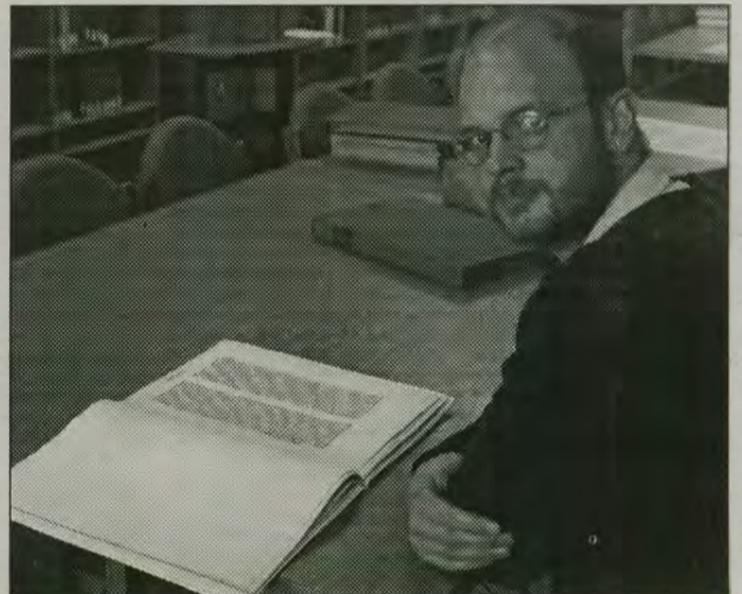
the concourse of the Hesburgh Library.

Ben Panciera, the rare books curator, said some items in the collection date back to the origins of the written word.

"We have collections that span the history of writing [beginning with] cuneiform," Panciera said. Cuneiform was a type of writing in ancient Mesopotamia, beginning about 5,000 years ago.

Panciera is no stranger to old books. Before taking his

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Ben Panciera, curator of Notre Dame's rare book collection, shows off a page of the Gutenberg Bible.

INSIDE COLUMN

AIM 101

Like everyone said I would, I've gained a lot of knowledge during my freshman year. I can tell you about economics, communism, the bun run, LaFun, T.C. and a far-off land called "the construction entrance of Loftus." To be perfectly honest with you, though, the one field in which I could earn my doctorate — tomorrow, if I were offered the chance — would be AOL Instant Messenger (AIM).

Eileen Duffy

Viewpoint Copy Editor

Eileen Duffy, PhD ... away messages? It's true. I am online often — whether I have a few minutes or five hours straight to spare. I can now recite friends' profiles and often-used quotes (OAR's "I feel home" sound familiar to anyone?), and, like others, I check away messages fairly obsessively. This is a leader in her field about to give you the sum total of her knowledge. Listen up.

First, if you STILL have that link "I can't believe I found [insert screen name]'s picture here HAHHAHA," get it fixed. Immediately. Do you know how many trips to OIT (a.k.a. hell on earth) that you and your dirty virus have caused?

Going idle = cool. It means that you are so cool that you are out and about and don't even care about AIM, or away messages or updated profiles ... sigh. I have a friend in Boston who, along with her roommate, have begun using the term "idle" interchangeably with "cool." For example, "Wow, that shirt is sooo idle!" Try it yourself!

When it comes to profiles, please don't be soo idle (cool, that is) as to simply have "No Information Provided." Your profile is a creative outlet! Song quotes are nice, but be sure to include a good variety, like an upbeat Jimmy Buffet and a poetic Paul Simon. One of my friends "John" simply rotates a series of particularly depressing Guster quotes on his away messages. Why John, why? That's REALLY not idle.

Inside jokes are acceptable, but I generally like to make sure that they are understood by at least three people, to avoid exclusiveness. Featuring one of your friend's quotes is a great compliment to him. And you? Well, once you've earned a place on another's profile, you have reached the pinnacle of AIM wit and skill. Well done, you.

(One last note on profiles: if you are not yet aware of this, he who has a link to see his pictures can sometimes SEE YOUR SCREEN NAME ! A boy has checked my friend's pictures 41 times. Please, for everyone's sake, spread the word ... and ease up on picture-viewing.)

When conversing, remember that AIM is not real life. Do not, under any circumstances, do any of the following online: a.) confess to a crush; b.) ask someone to an SYR; c.) propose; or d.) break up. You must learn the acronyms jk, lol, btw, brb and g2g. Don't forget to sprinkle some icons in (little-known fact: the tiny smiley that looks like Barney in the Simpsons actually means "foot-in-mouth" ... enlarge it to see the foot).

Follow these instructions, kids, and you'll be the idlest cats around.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: ARE YOU FOLLOWING THE COVERAGE OF THE '04 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION?



Christian McNamara Senior Off-campus

"As a Democrat, I'm apparently too busy undermining the moral fabric of America to follow the campaign."



Collin Taylor Sophomore Keough

"I live, sleep, eat and breath coverage of this election."



Kate Kennedy Sophomore McGlenn

"Like white on rice."



Dan McElroy Sophomore Keough

"Down with Taco Bell, up with Roque Strew."



Kate Malch Senior Off-campus

"Following the elections is as delicious as Fair Trade coffee in the dining halls."



Tad Skotnicki Senior Siegfried

"I've been focusing on my inordinately large poster of Chairman Mao instead of television."



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Freshman Justin Smith of Dillon Hall entertains a crowd gathered for the "Dillon Dude Auction" held Wednesday afternoon on South Quad. All proceeds from the auction were donated to charity.

IN BRIEF

Howard Hall will sponsor a bone marrow drive all day in the LaFortune Ballroom. Become a part of the National Bone Marrow Registry and potentially save a life.

Mariclaire Acosta, a Kellogg visiting fellow and former Deputy Secretary for Human Rights and Democracy in Mexico, will deliver a lecture titled "Human Rights Strategy for a Democratic Government: Mexico 2000-2003." The lecture will take place today at 4:15 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center, room 103.

Political Science professor Christina Wolbrecht will deliver a lecture in the Political Science Department's annual "Intellectual Autobiography Series" this afternoon at 4:30 p.m. in DeBartolo room 208.

Russ Gavin will present a graduate degree euphonium recital with Bill Cernx, professor emeritus of music, accompanying. The event takes place tonight at 5 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center auditorium.

"Arms and the Man," the Department of Film, Television and Theatre's mainstage performance, will be presented tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets are \$7 for students and may be purchased at the LaFortune box office or at the door.

The class of 2006 will host a recitation of the rosary tonight in the Coleman Morse Chapel at 9:30 p.m.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.

OFFBEAT

Woman accused of making antifreeze drink

OMAHA, Neb. — A bench trial is under way for an Omaha woman accused of spiking a margarita with antifreeze, then serving it to her former sister-in-law.

Maureen Plambeck is charged with attempted murder. She is accused of using antifreeze in mixing drinks for Kris Cerveny during a two-hour drinking session last August.

Cerveny ended up in a hospital intensive care unit, where she stayed for three days recovering from ingesting four times the lethal limit of antifreeze, prosecutors said.

Plambeck admitted in court Tuesday to putting the antifreeze in Cerveny's drink, but said she only wanted to scare her.

Her attorney, James Martin Davis, asked Douglas County District Judge Gerald Morgan to find Plambeck guilty of the lesser charge of first-degree assault.

"Admittedly, it was a half-baked idea," Davis said. "But the intent was to make her sick, not to kill her."

Scissors are left in woman after surgery

SYDNEY, Australia — A Sydney woman demanded

an explanation Tuesday from a hospital where a pair of scissors were left in her abdomen after surgery and said she planned to sue.

Pat Skinner, 69, had part of her colon removed at Sydney's St. George Hospital in May 2001. But she said that she continued to suffer intense pain in her abdomen.

Eventually, she demanded doctors x-ray her abdomen. They did and discovered the 6.7-inch pair of scissors, which were removed in October 2002.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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STUDENT SENATE

Senators create new board

Programming board approval completes work on constitution

By AMANDA MICHAELS
News Writer

The Student Senate took the last step to completing the new Student Union Constitution at Wednesday's meeting, after passing the only article not yet signed into law.

Article V, which establishes an Executive Programming Board to set the Student Union calendar, was up for Senate adoption after former student body president Jeremy Lao refused to sign it with the rest of the Constitution. Lao argued the Council of Representatives has sufficient collaboration among student leaders to be able to work with the calendar, and that the new body would be redundant.

"We made the Council of Representatives to be the most representative body possible. This responsibility can just be moved in with the others," Lao said.

Cavanaugh senator Jordan Bongiovanni disagreed.

"It has never been our policy to heap another burden on a body just because it exists," Bongiovanni said. "In COR, there needs to be an emphasis

on policy, not programming."

Siegfried senator James Leito spoke for the passage of the article, citing that the new group would open channels of communication not currently available among student government.

"This isn't a power issue, because no one person on this board is going to have control over another," Leito said. "This is about eliminating overlap and making sure we don't get five events on one weekend and none on another."

Student body president Adam Istvan passed on a recommendation from the Council of Representatives that the Senate pass the article, which stated that COR "is not an appropriate venue for calendar coordination due to the presence of senators, the Student Union Treasurer, and the Judicial Council President."

The Senate voted 19 to three, with three abstaining, to adopt Article V. An amendment that would give specific to the calendar-setting group failed to pass, despite Lao's insistence at its necessity.

In other Senate news:

◆ Keenan freshman Pat Argentieri asked Senate to support an effort to open up debate about parietals with the administration. In a two-page letter addressed to the administration and members of the

Office of Student Activities and drafted by members of Argentieri's Introduction to Business class, students propose the elimination of parietals on weekends, among other changes to the current system.

"This letter is basically a series of rebuttals to any argument the administration might have to the change," Argentieri said.

The letter also recommends the formation of a committee of students to work through the matter with the administration.

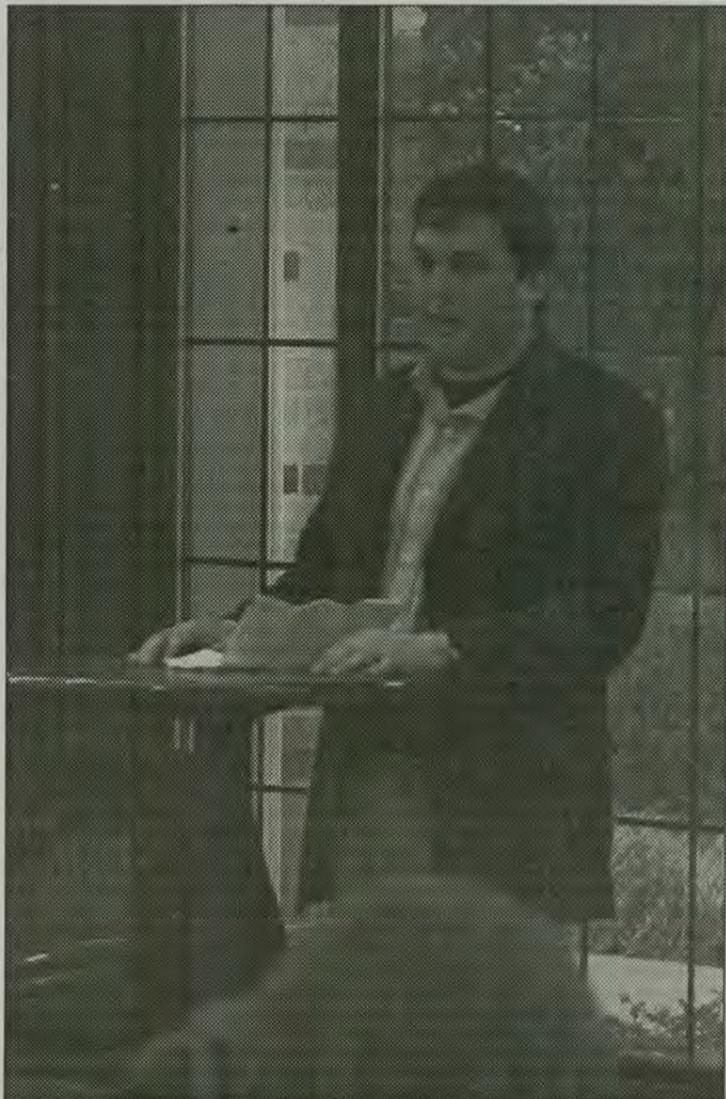
Argentieri said that he expects no action to be taken until the start of the fall semester, but that he wanted to get student signatures on the current draft of the letter to make sure it had solid backing.

Though senators encouraged Argentieri to pursue the issue, they expressed concern over the channels he was going through, suggesting that he approach the Campus Life Council instead.

Leito, among others, also pointed out that any changes made to the letter after amassing signatures would render the petition invalid, and that the senators could not give it to their dorms before it was in its final form.

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CAMPUS CROSSFIRE



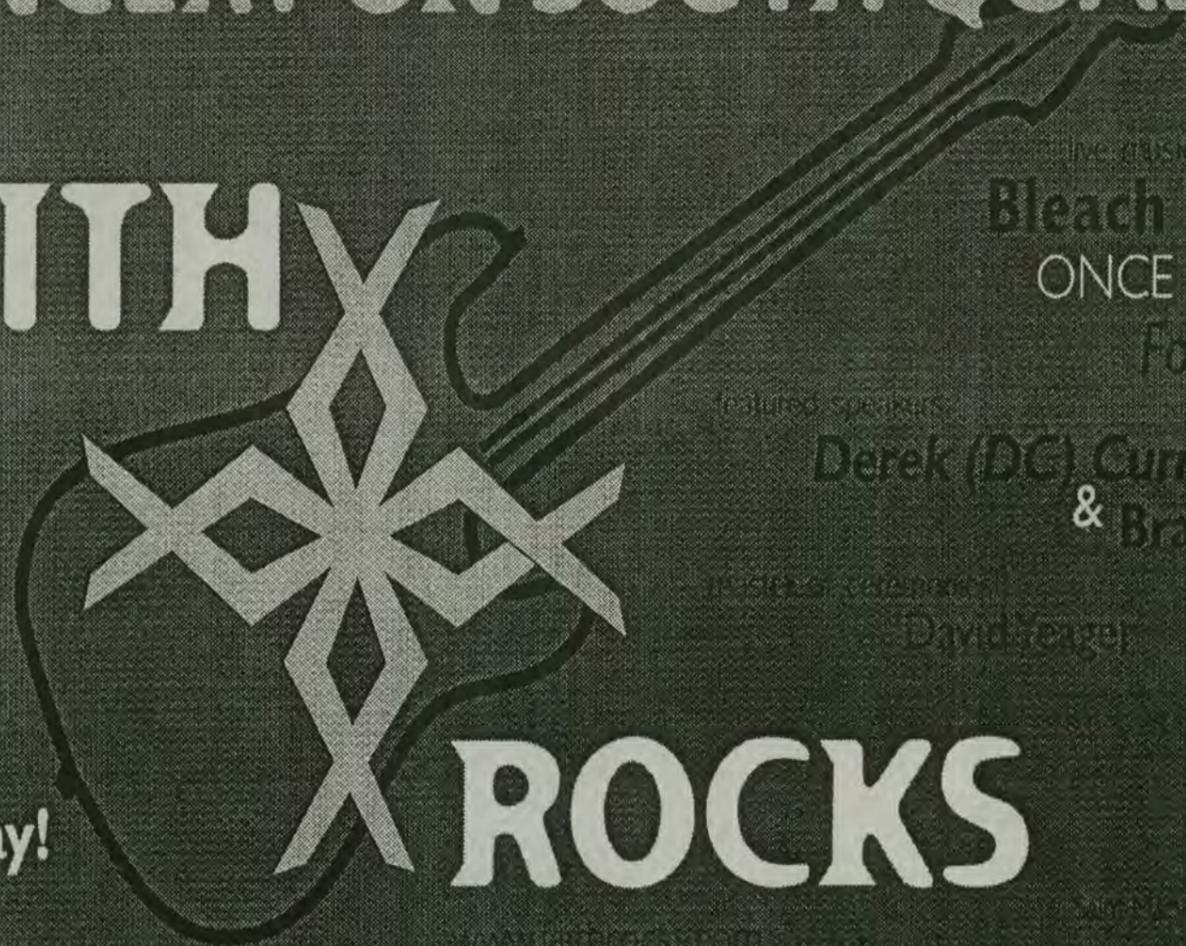
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Ian Ronderos, president of College Republicans, debates with members of College Democrats during Campus Crossfire on Wednesday. The event focused on political issues including taxes, the Iraq War and health insurance.

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Shack City to highlight homelessness

By LAURA VILIM
News Writer

In an attempt to raise awareness about the nation's struggle with homelessness and promote the achievements of Habitat for Humanity, Notre Dame students have organized a project called Shack City that will be held on South Quad today and Friday.

To simulate the abject poverty associated with homelessness, Shack City's approximately 125 participants will spend tonight sleeping in boxes set up on South Quad. While the night's primary focus is highlighting the hardships of homelessness, organizers Ryan Iafigliola and Colleen Mallahan have also chosen to include in the night's events a church service in Lyons' chapel, a presentation by a guest speaker and live music as a means of bringing students together for social as well as educational purposes.

"Thursday night is intended to help students experience homelessness like never before — both participants and those passing by," Iafigliola said. "Whether personally lying in a box or simply passing by the vast number of them, we hope students will come to a greater understanding of the need and be moved to action."

The idea to hold the first Shack City event on Notre Dame's campus resulted from Iafigliola and Mallahan's invitation to participate in the Shack City hosted by Valparaiso University's chapter of Habitat for Humanity. After seeing how successful the event was raising awareness and funds to combat homelessness, both students were moti-

vated to bring the project to Notre Dame.

Iafigliola, who said he's wanted to be involved in events such as this since high school, also jumped at the chance to challenge the way college students view homelessness. He said Shack City's innovative methods for spreading its message make it a prime way of beginning this challenge.

"This event is a way to create awareness of substandard housing worldwide and protest the thinking that we can ignore it in our daily life," Iafigliola said. "By sleeping in large boxes, we are able to create a visual that makes it hard for people to keep from thinking about it, at least for an instant."

In addition to raising student awareness of homelessness, Shack City serves to emphasize viable options for alleviating the problem of homelessness. In fact, one of the primary purposes of the project is to raise money for and provide a better understanding of the accomplishments of Notre Dame's chapter of Habitat for Humanity, an organization whose work goes largely unnoticed among students.

"Notre Dame has been building Habitat houses for 10 years now, but there doesn't seem to be a lot of campus awareness about what Habitat stands for," Mallahan said. "Shack City is a great way for Habitat to have its presence felt on campus by the many students who walk through South Quad every day."

The Shack City event today and Friday is the first in a series of events that will serve to commemorate the works of Notre Dame's Habitat for

Humanity. Since its inception 10 years ago, the organization has completed 10 houses in the South Bend area for needy families, an achievement that was made possible by the generous donations of labor and funds from both alumni and current students.

Colin Dowdall, co-president of Notre Dame's Habitat for Humanity, said that starting with the Shack City kick-off, this weekend is a way to show those of the Notre Dame family the positive affects Habitat for Humanity has had on campus and in the surrounding community.

"This weekend will give Habitat a chance to show how far it has come since its inception 10 years ago," Dowdall said. "It gives us an opportunity as a club to show that we care about fighting homelessness, and everyone has contributed to ensure that families in the South Bend area have suitable housing."

In addition to Shack City, Habitat for Humanity will also be hosting an alumni dinner to show its appreciation for the support of its generous donors. The weekend will culminate in the dedication of the 10th house, where the family will be presented with a Bible and a priest will perform a ceremony.

"Ten years ago, a couple students had a dream of reaching out into the South Bend community and making a difference," Dowdall said. "As evidenced by the number of people signed up to participate in Shack City, people on campus have shown that they understand the goals of our club."

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Student Activities to host '04 SMC Tostal

Annual spring event
to feature games,
food and a film

By CLAIRE VALLEY
News Writer

Each spring, Saint Mary's Student Activities Board hosts one of the largest social events of the year — the SMC Tostal, which takes place today.

This event is coordinated by the Traditional Events Chair and this year, Saint Mary's juniors Donna Lubbers and Jen Herdman are in charge. Lubbers has planned the Tostal for the last two years.

The SMC Tostal has a long tradition on campus. It used to be called SMC AnTostal after the Celtic festival of spring.

"Now it is just a fun way for us all to come together as a campus and celebrate Saint Mary's in the springtime," said Lubbers.

Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and Holy Cross students are invited to join in on SMC Tostal.

Off-campus students and faculty and staff and their families are also welcome, organizers said.

The theme of this year's Tostal is "Pucker Up." To promote the event, secret free gifts will be passed out during lunch at the Saint Mary's Dining Hall.

There are many events that have become tradition at the Tostal. From 3 to 5 p.m. there will be canoe races around Lake Marion. The picnic dinner is on the Library Green from 4:30 to 7 p.m. The drive in movie at 9 p.m., also on the Library Green, is "Mona Lisa Smile."

There will also be inflatables, games, artists, airbrush tattoo artists and a gladiator joust. New events include a mechanical bull, old-time photos and a giant game of twister. "We'll see what kind of a response we get to the bull, photos, and twister," Lubbers said. "The students seem really excited about it all."

There will also be music at the SMC Tostal. Singer and songwriter Jason LeVasseur will be performing at 4:30 p.m. Then, at 6:30 p.m., the 80s band Son of Glam will be performing.

This year 45 volunteers will help set up and run the event.

Thoughts of next year's SMC Tostal are already on the mind of Lubbers. "I can't really say anything on the record yet, but don't be surprised if you see fireworks on the schedule again," said Lubbers.

Lubbers said that she also hopes that next year's Tostal will be able to be in conjunction with the grand opening of the new Saint Mary's student center.

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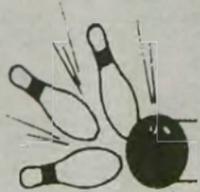
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Amazon denies ordering killings

THE ROOSEVELT INDIAN RESERVATION, Brazil — An Amazonian tribal chief said Wednesday the killing of 29 diamond prospectors on his remote Indian reservation came after they were repeatedly warned to stay away.

In his first comments to the media since the April 7 killings, Chief Pio Cinta Larga said that Indians in the area carried out the killings, but he denied ordering the attack or taking part in it.

"There are some very angry Indians and not even the leadership can control their actions," he said, adding that members of other tribes have joined the Cinta Larga on the 6.7-million-acre reservation, where prospectors frequently trespass.

Communists likely to sweep vote

GAUHATI, India — Voters in India's north-eastern communist stronghold of Tripura cast ballots Thursday in the second round of parliamentary elections.

The Hindu-nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party of Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and the opposition Congress party were trying to make inroads into Tripura state, which has been governed by the Communist Party of India for the past 10 years.

However, the communists were expected to retain control of the two Parliament seats at stake.

After all the voting is completed next month, Vajpayee's governing coalition was expected to be returned to office for another five years on the strength of a booming economy and growing peace prospects with neighboring Pakistan.

NATIONAL NEWS

'Pirates' hooks 6 MTV award nods

HOLLYWOOD — There's no aarrgg-uing: "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" collected a leading six nominations for the MTV Movie Awards on Wednesday, including best movie and best on-screen team for co-stars Johnny Depp and Orlando Bloom.

Depp also was chosen for best male performance and comedic performance, while Geoffrey Rush's performance as a skeletal buccaneer earned him a mention for best villain. Keira Knightley, the seafaring movie's damsel in distress, was recognized among the breakthrough female nominees.

Drug-import bill gathers steam

WASHINGTON — Support for legalizing lower-cost prescription drugs from Canada is growing in Congress amid an election-year clamor from states, lawmakers and the elderly.

The White House and Republican congressional leaders remain opposed, saying there is no way to ensure safety. Nonetheless, proponents contend that public frustration with rising drug prices and growing defiance of a federal ban on prescription imports will force action before the November elections.

The latest legislation to allow Americans to fill their prescriptions in Canada was introduced Wednesday by a diverse group of Republican and Democratic senators.

STATE NEWS

Indy loans \$2M to bus authority

INDIANAPOLIS — The city is loaning its bus system \$2 million in an effort to avert route cuts and layoffs, Mayor Bart Peterson said Tuesday.

The IndyGo bus system would still have a \$1.3 million deficit in 2004, even with the loan, he said.

"The crisis is clearly still with us," Peterson said. "This is not the final solution, but at least it puts us one step closer."

At a press conference at IndyGo's headquarters, Peterson and Gilbert Holmes, IndyGo's president and chief executive officer, said all bus routes would be reviewed.

Their initial hearing is scheduled for May 4 in Indianapolis.

SAUDI ARABIA

Car blast rips police HQ, 9 killed

Suicide attack in Riyadh wounds 125, crown prince vows 'God will help us'

Associated Press

RIYADH — A suicide car bomb blasted the Saudi national police headquarters Wednesday, killing at least nine people and wounding 125 others, just days after the United States warned of a terrorist attack.

Facades were torn off buildings, revealing rooms still ablaze. Cars parked nearby were smashed by debris. Clouds of dust and black smoke rose from the seven-story building and settled over the neighborhood.

A Saudi Interior Ministry statement said attackers tried to drive one vehicle into the building, which housed the headquarters of Riyadh's traffic department in addition to the General Security headquarters.

The driver exploded the car 100 feet away from the gate, the Interior Ministry official said.

While the statement referred to just one car bomb, a police official said earlier that two cars with bombs were parked about 50 feet away from the building. He added "a number of charred bodies" were carried from the scene.

The police official had said the blasts appeared to have resulted from suicide attacks and that one assailant died and one police officer was also killed.

Nine people were killed, including a police colonel, and 125 were wounded, according to officials at three hospitals.

It was not immediately known if the suicide attacker was among the dead counted by the hospital officials.

Among the wounded were police, some in critical



The destroyed Saudi national police headquarters building in Riyadh smolders Wednesday, hours after a car bomb detonated. The suicide attack killed at least nine people and wounded more than 100 more.

condition, and at least three children.

A Saudi official said that Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage met with Saudi Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal about 30 minutes after the attack. The meeting was at the Foreign Ministry, which is close to the General Security building in al-Nassiriyah, a central Riyadh neighborhood.

Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah visited the wounded, one of them a young man who was unconscious and on a respirator. The prince stopped at the bedside of another young man who appeared injured and had no obvious injuries. A third wounded man wore camouflage.

"Your duty is our pride. God will help us to defeat these people," Abdullah told one of the injured.

The General Security building, the administrative

headquarters of the Saudi domestic security service, was severely damaged. A number of homes in the neighborhood also were damaged.

General Security oversees officers who investigate burglaries and murders, direct traffic and perform other basic police duties in the kingdom. Such officers have been on the front lines in a Saudi crackdown on Islamic militants, manning checkpoints as part of stepped up security and occasionally engaging in fire fights with suspects.

Last month, a purported al-Qaida message appeared on the Internet threatening Saudi police, members of the intelligence forces and other security agents. The message said targeting Saudi security agents "in their homes or workplace is a very easy matter."

The explosion, which occurred about 2 p.m., hit

when workers would have been leaving for the Saudi weekend.

Saudi TV showed the General Security building, about seven floors, with its glass facade shattered and severe damage inside. Firefighters worked to extinguish the blazes, and more than 20 ambulances had arrived. Two helicopters flew above the site. Police blocked the area and evacuated the surrounding buildings.

Hanan Batteesha, an Egyptian woman, was with her two children, aged 11 and 14, when she heard a "big blast."

"We heard wails and cries, then saw our neighbors running down the stairs," she said.

By the time they reached the ground floor, "the gate was damaged, the windows started shattering, and glass fell all over us," she said.

Deadly nuke waste goes missing

Associated Press

MONTPELIER, Vt. — Two pieces of a highly radioactive fuel rod are missing from a Vermont nuclear plant, and engineers planned to search onsite for the nuclear material, officials said Wednesday.

The fuel rod was removed in 1979 from the Vermont Yankee reactor, which is currently shut down for refueling and maintenance. Remote-control cameras will be used to search a spent fuel pool on the property, officials said.

"We do not think there is a threat to the public at this point. The great probability is this material is still somewhere in the pool," said Nuclear Regulatory Commission spokesman Neil Sheehan.

But Sheehan said it was possible the spent fuel was mixed in with a shipment of low-level nuclear waste and ended up at a repository in South

Carolina, or a facility in Washington state. He said it was also possible it was taken to a nuclear testing facility run by General Electric, which designed the plant.

The material would be fatal to anyone who came in contact with it without being properly shielded, Sheehan said. Spent nuclear fuel also could be used by terrorists to construct so-called dirty bombs that would spread deadly radiation with conventional explosives.

The NRC is helping plant officials in the search. The rod was part of the fuel assembly used to power the reactor. One of the missing pieces is about the size of a pencil. The other piece is about the thickness of a pencil and 17 inches long.

"It would be very difficult to remove this material from the site without somebody knowing about it," Sheehan said. "It would set off radiation monitors."

Sheehan cited the heightened awareness of the need to control nuclear material that followed the Sept. 11 terror attacks. "We don't want this falling into the wrong hands," he said. "This is something we would never take lightly."

Gov. James Douglas, after speaking Wednesday afternoon with the head of the NRC, said he was "very concerned" about the missing fuel at the plant, run by Entergy Nuclear.

"This situation is intolerable," he said in a statement.

In 2002 a Connecticut nuclear plant was fined \$288,000 after a similar loss. That fuel was never accounted for.

Vermont Yankee is located in the southeastern town of Vernon, on the border with Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

The state's Public Safety Department and Homeland Security Unit also were notified of the missing fuel.

SMC invites donors to experience campus

By LISA GALLAGHER
News Writer

Beginning today at Saint Mary's, donors who have contributed to various projects or scholarship programs over the past two years will arrive on campus to experience college life.

Organizers said they hope that this extended weekend will inspire benefactors to maintain their Madeleva level of support with a minimum contribution of \$1,000 to the Annual Fund each year and raise their generosity. This year marks the first that Saint Mary's expands its celebration to take place over the course of three days, instead of one.

While actively continuing to seek consistent unrestricted gifts of \$1,000 or more to endowment priorities, capital projects, restricted funds, as well as Mother Pauline Society members who have included Saint Mary's in their estate plans, a celebration honoring their contributions takes place.

Last year, Saint Mary's integrated the annual celebratory dinner into a full-day event which included a morning presentation, luncheon, an afternoon presentation, a traditional liturgy and concluding with dinner to end the celebration.

Adaline Stefanac Cashore, director of donor relations, said that the recognition weekend, formally known as the Madeleva

society dinner, now includes not only Madeleva Society members, but also Mother Pauline Society Members and Donors of Endowment Priorities.

Events over the course of the weekend begin with the annual Madeleva Lecture on "Women Shaping Theology."

Friday allows donors to attend classes with students and later, a mini-retreat, poetry readings and a spring concert performed by the Saint Mary's College Repertory Performance Dance Workshop.

More lectures will take place Saturday, as well as an appreciation luncheon and movie.

Keeping with tradition, Cashore said the events will conclude with liturgy and the Madeleva Society Reception and Recognition Dinner held at Noble Family Dining Hall.

"We begin actively planning nine months ahead of time," Cashore said of the festivities. She expects about 225 donors to attend the dinner and a smaller population spread out over the weekend.

"The event allows donors to visibly see and experience life on campus and create a meaningful experience," Cashore said. "It keeps the donors coming."

Since many donors are located far from South Bend, Cashore hopes that with more to see and do on campus the trip will be worth their while.

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Farley

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not only the attention of Farley, but campus as well."

Farley's determined attitude was embodied in their "Men of ND" calendar, new this year, according to the council. They credit Melissa Harris for spearheading this event after trying to start it for two years.

Harris was one of many dedicated commissioners praised by hall presidents.

"You can't do it without the help of many, many great commissioners," Duran said.

Farley kicked off the year with Freshman Orientation, and many of their year-long commissioners were on the Frosh-O staff.

"Those sophomores set the tone," said Parker. "They showed how it was not uncool to be involved."

Pop Farley, the hall's signature event, was a great hit within the dorm, generating the usual week-long excitement. However this year, the hall government extended Pop Farley to the rest of campus, inviting all students to a New Year's Eve-themed party at Legends, a tradition they hope will continue and grow.

For many Farley girls, one of the favorite parts of the year was hosting the pep rally on Halloween. Over 100 Farley girls, including those

who now live off-campus, dressed as Notre Dame football players. Wearing stenciled jerseys complete with names and numbers — some even copied the players' tattoos — Farley residents did warm-ups under the command of a faux-Tyrone Willingham. They even contacted ESPN's "The Season," encouraging the show's producers to come.

But the year was not only about fun and spirit. Through the efforts of commissioners Theresa Davey and Julia Pearce, service became an integral part of Farley's excellence. Farley's service orientation caught the eye of anyone who attended the campus Relay-for-Life celebration in September. Farley's table was decorative, centering around the theme "Farley's Angels."

Throughout the year, Farley girls drove to St. Luke's School on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, to help the children with their homework and play with them after school.

Farley also stood out in the area of gender relations and multi-cultural events. They collaborated often with their brother dorm Keenan, including setting up a discussion on the bestseller "The DaVinci Code." For Black History Month in February, Farley invited the First Class Steppers to perform, and the girls had their own step com-

petition by section.

In the academic arena, the hall government organized "How to Be a Pre-Med Night." Advisors, current pre-med students and seniors on the pre-med track spoke and took questions from over 100 sophomores and freshmen.

The presidents describe their rector, Ethridge, as "amazing," and "a real trooper." Her support of Farley events went above and beyond the usual, they said. For Farley's "What would you do for Two Purdue tickets?" contest, Etheridge donned a wig and came up with her own act.

"She was so positive always, so high-spirited," Duran said. "But she never put pressure on us. If we would have lost, she still would have been proud. She really trusted us."

Farley's residents said they are excited for next year's dance in the Main Building, one of the rewards for the hall of the year honor. They plan to spend at least some of the money on a new elliptical machine, to enhance their "struggling" dorm work-out room.

Overall, however, it was enlivening the day-to-day life in Farley that motivated hall government members, they said.

"We want to make the girls excited they got this dorm," Duran said. "You only get once chance as president. It will be great to come back in five, 10 years and say, 'Hey we started that.'"

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"The sophomores set the tone. They showed how it was not uncool to be involved."

Nikki Parker
Farley co-president

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Ari Hest Concert - 11pm - Legends

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Jason LeVasseur Concert - 5pm - Fieldhouse Mall - Win an IPOD!

Saturday, April 24th -
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Composite Volume: 1,724,322,816		

AMEX	1,230.03	-8.29
NASDAQ	1,995.63	+17.00
NYSE	6,546.77	+19.65
S&P 500	1,124.09	+5.94
NIKKEI(Tokyo)	11,944.30	0.00
FTSE 100(London)	4,539.90	-29.10

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
SIRIUS SAT RADI (SIRI)	-8.68	-0.33	3.47
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	+1.18	+0.26	22.37
INTEL CORP (INTC)	+0.78	+0.2045	26.2745
MICROSOFT CP (MSFT)	+0.47	+0.12	25.45
SUN MICROSYS (SUNW)	+0.48	+0.02	4.16

Treasuries			
30-YEAR BOND	+0.04	+0.02	52.31
10-YEAR NOTE	+0.18	+0.08	44.23
5-YEAR NOTE	+1.33	+0.46	34.06
3-MONTH BILL	+2.11	+0.20	9.67

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IN BRIEF

Coke holds tough annual meeting

ATLANTA — The Coca-Cola Co. defended its business practices in Colombia, kept mum on its search for a new chief executive and said shareholders elected legendary investor Warren Buffett to another term on its board despite opposition at a volatile annual meeting.

The world's biggest beverage maker also reported Wednesday that its first-quarter profit soared 35 percent from a year ago, but its stock price slipped.

The shareholders' meeting culminated a year of intense scrutiny for Coke and some observers said the company must work harder to get average investors to focus on the positives again.

Pension costs slam Sears' Q1

CHICAGO — A hefty accounting charge linked to its pension and post-retirement medical benefits saddled Sears, Roebuck and Co. with an \$859 million loss in a first quarter that also was marred by continuing weak apparel sales.

The change to a new accounting method, which Sears said enables it to more immediately recognize gains and losses in its benefit plans, set the company back \$839 million. That resulted in a bad start to 2004 on the heels of Sears' most profitable year ever — a \$3.4 billion profit in 2003 that was due mostly to the sale of its credit-card unit to Citigroup.

Computer Associates CEO quits

NEW YORK — With his company tangled in an accounting investigation that has already produced four guilty pleas, Sanjay Kumar was forced to resign Wednesday as chairman and chief executive of Computer Associates International Inc.

After running the company for four years, Kumar stepped down from his executive positions and the board of directors. He will remain with the company in a new position of chief software architect.

Computer Associates' lead outside director, Lewis Ranieri, is taking over as chairman, but the company expects to take "a few weeks" before naming an interim CEO, spokesman Dan Kaferle said.

U.S. ECONOMY

Greenspan: Rates 'must rise'

Fed chief testifies that interest hikes will be necessary to thwart inflation fears

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Wednesday extra-low interest rates "must rise at some point" now that the economy is hitting its stride, an assessment reinforcing some economists' beliefs that rates will climb this summer.

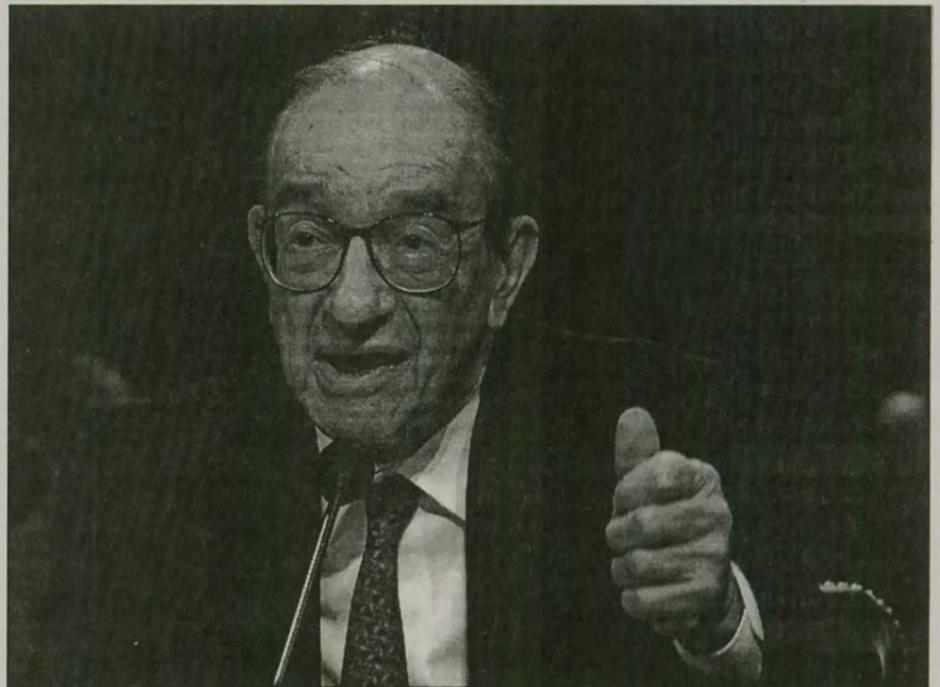
Greenspan, testifying before Congress' Joint Economic Committee, delivered one of his most upbeat takes on the economy's health. After a long stretch of subpar growth, the economy finally staged a significant rebound in the second half of last year and is expanding more vigorously now, he said.

Companies also appear more willing to step up hiring, Greenspan said. Following months of lackluster job gains, the economy added 308,000 jobs in March, the most in four years. That raised hope among private economists that the labor market truly may be on the mend.

"Looking forward, the prospects for sustaining solid economic growth in the period ahead are good," Greenspan said.

But with the economy rebounding, some companies are finding it easier to raise prices, Greenspan said. He noted that the fall in the value of the U.S. dollar and a strengthening global economy were adding to pricing pressures at home.

While stressing that inflation remains low, he said it was the job of the Federal Reserve to be vigilant for an unwelcome



Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan testifies Wednesday before the Joint Economic Committee on Capitol Hill. Greenspan said the U.S. economic recovery has good momentum and that low short-term interest rates are due for hikes.

flare-up in this gauge.

"As I have noted previously, the federal funds rate must rise at some point to prevent pressures on price inflation from eventually emerging," Greenspan said.

Since last June, Greenspan and his policy-making colleagues at the central bank held that rate at 1 percent, the lowest since 1958. This rate is the interest that banks charge each other on overnight loans. It the Fed's primary tool for influencing economic activity.

So far, broad inflation pressures have yet to build, Greenspan said. But the Fed, he said, "recog-

nizes that sustained prosperity requires the maintenance of price stability and will act, as necessary, to ensure that outcome."

Pressed by some lawmakers to be more specific on when the central bank might begin raising interest rates, Greenspan gave no direct response.

"Greenspan's message is interest rates are on a one-way street up. But it will be months before we reach that point," said Stuart Hoffman, chief economist at PNC Financial Services Group. He and others are forecasting a rate increase in August.

Until the recent signs of economic strength, many analysts had speculated

that the Fed would not change interest rates until after the presidential election in November. A growing number of analysts now predicts the first increases will come this summer.

"One thing is certain. The federal funds rate is at an unsustainably low level. There is no justification for its being there and before too long it will be raised," predicted Sherry Cooper, chief economist at BMO Nesbitt Burns. "An August rate hike is still the most likely."

It was Greenspan's second signal in two days that the Fed was beginning to edge closer to raising rates.

CORPORATE SCANDAL

Feds charge 3 ex-Duke employees

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Two former executives and a former energy trader for Duke Energy Corp.'s trading unit pleaded innocent Wednesday to charges of using bogus trades to inflate profits and secure higher bonuses for themselves.

Former vice presidents Timothy Kramer, 40, and Todd Reid, 41, and former energy trader Brian Lavielle, 33, were taken into custody Wednesday and each released on \$100,000 bond. They entered their innocent pleas while wearing handcuffs and chains before U.S. Magistrate Nancy Johnson.

The men were charged with racketeering conspiracy, wire and mail fraud, money laundering and falsifying corporate books for the Houston-based trading unit, Duke Energy North America. Reid and Kramer also were charged with money laundering.

The alleged scheme was intended to

make it appear on the company's books that millions of dollars in profits were generated because such profits are figured into the company's calculations for awarding bonuses, U.S. Attorney Michael Shelby said.

"One of the principal victims of this crime is Duke Energy," said Shelby, who described the scheme as "sophisticated fraud."

Shelby said the fraud took place from March 2001 through July 2002. Kramer and Reid were fired in August 2002, said Assistant U.S. Attorney James Powers. Lavielle later resigned.

Attorneys for all three men said their clients did nothing to harm Duke.

"In the wake of Enron's collapse, I'm afraid that prosecutorial zeal has overtaken good judgment and common sense," said Thomas Hagemann, who represents Reid.

Charles Meadows, Lavielle's lawyer, said his client had passed a lie detector test and didn't knowingly join any

effort to falsify Duke's books. And Jim Lavine, Kramer's attorney, said the charges were disappointing given his client's cooperation with investigators.

The 18-count indictment unsealed Wednesday alleges a scheme involving more than 400 improper trades that resulted in \$50 million in fraudulent profits for Duke Energy North America.

In 2001, Duke awarded bonuses worth \$5 million to Reid, \$4 million to Kramer and \$340,000 to Lavielle. The government is seeking to seize more than \$7 million in ill-gotten gains.

"There is no allegation of a larger market affect," Shelby said. "This is a very bad shell game where you move something from one account into another account."

Charlotte, N.C.-based Duke said in a statement Wednesday that it had notified the government and regulatory agencies of the alleged wrongdoing in 2002 and "took swift action to address them."

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tion of the choice they have selected. For example, those gay marriage opponents are taken to a fictional story about Adam and Steve that illustrates how Steve may not visit an injured Adam in the hospital because — in spite of their relationship — they are not married.

"It's as much of a project to get the students engaged in what is going on and allows them to make a comment about it," Sedlack said. "We [teachers] have a responsibility ... to educate informed citizens of the world community."

Students in his course have traditionally undertaken a social awareness campaign to state their positions on a topical and controversial subject — from gun control after the shootings at Columbine High School to affirmative action before the University of Michigan Supreme Court case — as part of the course requirements.

Sedlack said he has chosen the topics for the social awareness project — a different topic each semester — based on the relevance to current events. Groups of two to three students are formed both on the students' personal opinions on the issue and the mix of personalities in the class to ensure that each team can successfully complete the project.

Students said that although no project shows support for an Amendment to ban gay marriage, they believe this viewpoint is already well expressed on campus due to the conservative, Catholic nature of the student body.

"Most of the arguments in

favor of the Amendment [are] more clear than those arguments against," said Mary Prendergast, a junior in the course. "I don't think [students] are as aware of the problems with [a proposed Amendment.]"

Sedlack said he works hard to present both sides of an issue to students. For example, in a previous project on the then-impending war in Iraq, the class met with two guest speakers — the student president of the Peace Coalition and the current highest-ranking student ROTC officer on-campus. He said that this year, students heard from Sister M.L. Gude, assistant vice president for student affairs, who has been "heavily involved in issues regarding Notre Dame's gay and lesbian community in past years," according to Sedlack. Students are also required to conduct research and spend class time discussing and debating the issue at hand.

He said the project aims to teach students how to effectively express a subjective message in whatever medium they deem necessary. Because so much of graphic design consists of getting a particular message across to the target audience, Sedlack said the project is ideal.

"I wanted them to have a point and make a stance," he said. "This is a good opportunity for design students to state their own opinions in a subjective way. This is not work being done for a client, but their own voice."

He said that he hopes that the larger Notre Dame community, as well as the students who have engaged in the research and completed the project, will take something away from the gay marriage debate.

"I hope the social awareness campaign projects get undergraduates more fully engaged in serious issues," he said. "Creative dialogue is part of the educational process."

Students said they have hung posters in O'Shaughnessy Hall as well as the Riley Hall of Art and Design. According to DuLac, "Student organizations and residence facilities may use University bulletin boards to announce activities and to advertise, provided the posters receive a stamp of approval from the Student Activities Office ... If signs and posters do not comply with these requirements, they will not be allowed to be posted."

Some groups said they plan to launch their campaign without the Office's approval, while other groups said they have received the official Student Activities Office stamp and plan to showcase their work in places other than Riley and O'Shaughnessy.

"We took this course because we wanted the posters to be hung elsewhere than just Riley and O'Shaughnessy," student Jonathan Sulys said. Sulys' group worked with the "Keep it 27" concept and has prepared buttons and posters in support of this view.

One group of students showcased a gay wedding reception, complete with party favors and a cake. Small wedding bells with the slogan "Sounds like it's time for a change" served as party favors, and place settings with slogans like "Not everyone ..." on the outside and "will visit their loved ones in the hospital" on the inside represented the rights not afforded to gay, un-married couples. At the bottom of the inside of each place setting, the words "Strive for Equal Rights for All

Couples. Support Gay Marriage" indicated the group's concern to afford equal marital rights to all couples. The display took place Wednesday afternoon at the Fieldhouse Mall.

"We're taking the symbol of the occasion of marriage to be a [point] of discussion," said student Hope Feher.

The group that has prepared the cards with a website link said they plan to distribute them around the computer clusters on-campus. A final group has prepared posters with the theme of separate but not equal to illustrate the ways in which civil unions do not afford the same legal rights as marriage.

Students said their projects are in no way connected with the "Gay? Fine by me" shirt campaign, but said it is beneficial that both issues are being addressed on-campus at the same time.

"It's nice that they are happening at the same time — it's topical," Prendergast said.

Students said the required research helped them to become better informed about the issue at hand, and they said they believed that using graphic design to communicate a passionate cause, rather than a more objective message, allowed them to see a different side to the graphic design field.

"If you're not really passionate, it's hard to get at the root of the issue," Prendergast said. "It's a different thing entirely to have to take a side of a social issue and to argue it."

The student design group NDesign also sponsored the project, and Sedlack said he is very grateful for their support.

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parietals change, said they understood Steele's motives.

"I don't know what would be better," said sophomore Mike Wittman. "I think some people realize that he cares about the dorm and he just is trying to protect the dorm."

Junior Brian Donnelly agreed that mixed opinions exist within the dorm.

"I think some people understand what's going on, and other people are upset by it," he said.

Steele did not return a message left by the Observer.

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Seckinger to offer training

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame Law School Professor James Seckinger will join a small international group of trial advocacy teachers in Freetown, Sierra Leone, April 16 to 23 to train the prosecuting team for that country's upcoming war crimes trial.

The group will offer general training on trial advocacy and will concentrate on skillful delivery of opening and closing statements and direct examination techniques.

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IU surgery chairman lectures on field's history and future

By ANDREW THAGARD
Associate News Editor

Dr. Keith Lillemoe, the chairman of the surgery department at the Indiana University School of Medicine and former program coordinator for surgical residencies at Johns Hopkins, lectured Tuesday on the past, present and future of surgery. The presentation was the fifth in the 10th annual "Mini Medical School Lecture Series," hosted by the South Bend Center for Medical Education and spon-

sored by the Medical Education Foundation.

The Indiana University School of Medicine has been at the forefront of many advances in surgery, even before the school graduated its first class of 25 students in 1907, Lillemoe said. On June 15, 1867, for example, Dr. John Bobbs performed the first cholecystotomy or draining of an infected gall bladder in his office in Indianapolis.

From 1912-46, Dr. Willis Gatch served as the chairman of the surgery department and later dean of the medical

school. Gatch pioneered the adjustable hospital bed and conducted research in NO2 and O2 anesthesia.

"It was at this point that IU really made its trajectory upwards," Lillemoe said.

Dr. Harris Shumacker served as surgery chairman at IU from 1948-68 and made cardiac surgery a priority. While World War II introduced challenges to the aca-

demic medical community, it also led to advances in treating patients.

"Surgery can no longer be 'see one, do one, teach one.'"

**Dr. Keith Lillemoe
chairman of surgery
at Indiana University**

"It was at the end of World War II and in the 50s that really saw the rejuvenation of surgery," Lillemoe said.

Dr. John Jesseph succeeded Shumacker as chairman of the surgery department and reoriented the focus toward general surgery.

In more recent times, Indiana University School of Medicine has experienced a period of increased growth, progress and expansion with regard to surgery, Lillemoe said. In the late 1990s, Indiana University's hospital consolidated with the Riley Children's Hospital and Methodist Hospital. The three facilities have completed several expansions in recent years and are linked via a monorail system.

"We now have the best of both worlds," Lillemoe said.

Indiana University's Center for Advanced Technology has also allowed medical students and residents to receive top quality training using virtual reality, endoscopic techniques, microsurgery and laser technology.

"Surgery can no longer be 'see one, do one, teach one,'" Lillemoe said. "I'm happy to say that IU is at the forefront of this [new technology]."

Currently, the surgery department at IU's medical school employs 72 faculty members and the institution received over \$7 million in research grants for 2002-03.

In the future, surgery will continue to evolve as it faces new challenges and opportunities and as demographics and technology change, Lillemoe said.

Cancer and an aging population are two challenges that surgery currently faces, but increased advances in technology make possible new treatment options, he said. Current genetic testing, for example, allows doctors to identify children who will develop a severe form of thyroid cancer later in life and remove the thyroid to prevent such an outcome. Additionally, mechanical heart support systems make it increasingly possible to keep ill patients alive until a suitable heart becomes available for transplantation, he said.

Perhaps just as important, the public availability of data on particular surgeons and facilities makes it possible for patients to research the best options for procedures. Larger education hospitals that perform a high volume of a particular procedure typically have a significantly lower in-hospital mortality rate than smaller community facilities that perform the procedure rarely. Such knowledge can help save patients' lives and reduce costs by minimizing the time the patient spends in the hospital recovering.

"It shows what can happen in regards to saving lives and saving money," Lillemoe said.

Lillemoe received his undergraduate degree from the University of South Dakota and his M.D. from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, where he also completed his surgical training. He is president-elect of the Society of Surgery of the Alimentary Tract, vice-president for the Society of Clinical Surgery and director of the American Board of Surgery.

The "Mini Medical School Lecture Series" concludes next Tuesday with a presentation by Dr. Gregory Gramelspacher on Medicare reform.



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Marrow

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Four years ago, Zham Hall began the bone marrow drive for Conner Murphy, a Notre Dame student in need of a bone marrow transplant. Howard Hall continued the drive in hopes of finding a donor for the father of recent Notre Dame graduate Anne Gurucharri.

This year's Bone Marrow Drive remains in honor of Gurucharri's father. Although Gurucharri's father has since passed away, the bone marrow transplant he received extended his life and allowed him to

see Anne graduate from Notre Dame last spring.

Diseases such as Leukemia, Hotchkins and A. Plastic Anemia are examples of life-threatening illnesses that often require a bone marrow transplant. Today Life Source, a bone marrow drive group from Chicago, will take contact information and a basic blood sample from participants. Then, each individual's bone marrow type will be placed into the national registry. The entire process should take approximately 30 minutes, organizers said.

The bone marrow blood test checks for four out of six basic antigens. If these antigens match with the patient in need,

further testing occurs. In order for a transplant to be administered all six antigens must match.

Over the past two years, 700-800 participants have had initial matches. When further screening was completed, two exact matches occurred. One of these matches resulted in a bone marrow transplant, while the second is in the final stages. This year Howard said that they're hoping to have between 500 and 700 people register their bone marrow.

"The main thing is we are not just going for numbers, we want committed donors," said Camilla Pollock, commissioner for the drive.

Individuals are more likely to

find compatibility with those who share the same ethnicity or race.

"We are in need of minority donors, a person has a better chance within their race and own ethnicity," Pollock said.

She also addressed the misconception that many individuals do not survive a bone marrow transplant.

"Many do go on to live healthy lives, do not be disillusioned," she said.

Dana Daniels is a prime example of a bone marrow transplant survivor. In June 1993 Daniels was diagnosed with Non-Hotchkins Lymphoma and battled the disease for three years undergoing countless radiation sessions

and chemotherapy treatments. He drifted in and out of remission. On Sept. 18, 1996, Daniels had a successful bone marrow transplant.

Daniels had 222 perfect matches for his bone marrow transplant. The second highest number of matches Indiana University had ever witnessed. He had a 50/50 chance of surviving the transplant, followed by a 50/50 chance of surviving the first year.

Daniels battle is one of success.

"I am considered cured, it has been eight years now," he said.

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Books

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current position, he worked in the University's Medieval Institute, then as a cataloguer in the rare books department.

The department encompasses about 80,000 volumes and 60 medieval and Renaissance manuscripts. About 100 of those volumes were printed before 1500, Panciera said.

He said simple means are used to preserve the books, which are surprisingly resistant to deterioration.

"We have extra monitors and precautions for temperature and humidity," he said. "And we ensure a completely lightless environment."

He said the type of paper used in early printing is more durable than modern paper. Early books were printed on "rag bond" — paper made of

cotton, linen or other textile materials, similar to currency. Modern paper is made of wood pulp treated with acid, which destroys the pages over time. In addition, machine-bound books don't hold up as well as handmade books, Panciera said.

"A pre-1830 book is actually a lot more durable than a post-1830 book," he explained.

He said that while the department's antique collections are extensive, they can be condensed into several specific areas.

"The emphasis is theology, the history of Catholic thought, English and Irish literature and Renaissance Italy," he said.

The Italian collection includes a unique assembly of works by Florentine poet Dante Alighieri.

"We've got almost a complete run of the editions of Dante's "Divine Comedy"

from the advent of printing to the 17th century," Panciera said.

Several notable scientific works are also housed in the department, including works by Copernicus, Galileo and Newton. One of the most prized is a first edition of Copernicus' "De Revolutionibus," in which the astronomer laid out his conception of the heliocentric universe. The theory was in direct contravention of 16th century Catholic teaching, which held that the Earth was the center of the universe.

"Only 300 [copies] were printed because of the controversy," Panciera said.

The department even has a page from a Gutenberg Bible, the first printed book in history. Panciera said single pages are more common in collections than entire volumes, due to the extreme scarcity of intact books.

He said the last sale of a

complete Gutenberg Bible was in the early 1980s, when the University of Texas paid \$1.5 million. That would be a bargain today.

"My guess is if you bought it today, it would cost about \$40 million," Panciera said. "If we had a Gutenberg Bible, I'd be ecstatic."

The department also contains an extensive collection of American sports literature and paraphernalia, especially 19th and 20th century boxing and wrestling. Panciera said the sports collection is becoming increasingly relevant for modern researchers.

"It's the sort of stuff scholars would have had much use for until recently," he said. "But now it's acknowledged that sports is important to American social history."

In addition to combative sports, the collection also includes a great deal of baseball material.

"We have very extensive

records on the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League," Panciera said. The league operated from 1943-1954 and was featured in the 1992 film "A League of Their Own."

Panciera said the department is expanding some of its collections, particularly the Latin American and Irish sections.

"We'll focus on Argentine historical materials," he said. "And our most recent collection is about 2,000 Irish novels from the 19th and 20th century."

Panciera praised the university's commitment to maintaining its historical materials.

"It's really a collection of national significance," Panciera said. "We get people ... who travel here just to use the collection."

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Kerry releases 120 pages of military records

Records reveal respected officer who faced enemy fire

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Records of John Kerry's Vietnam War service released Wednesday show a highly praised naval officer who volunteered for a dangerous assignment and at one point was "unofficially credited with 20 enemy killed in action."

With conservative critics questioning his service, the Democratic presidential candidate posted more than 120 pages of military records on his campaign Web site. Several describe him as a gutsy commander and detail some of the actions that won him three Purple Hearts, a Bronze Star and a Silver Star.

Kerry's most harrowing experience came during the nearly five months when he commanded a swiftboat along Vietnam's Mekong Delta. The future Massachusetts senator was commended for gallantry, heroism and valor during the tour, which was cut short when Kerry was wounded three times and sent back to the United States.

"He frequently exhibited a high sense of imagination and judgment in planning operations against the enemy in the Mekong Delta," wrote Lt. Cmdr. George Elliott, Kerry's commanding officer. "Involved in several enemy initiated fire

attacks, including an ambush during the Christmas truce, he effectively suppressed enemy fire and is unofficially credited with 20 enemy killed in action."

Talk radio conservatives and some veterans have questioned whether Kerry was wounded severely enough to leave combat, but Democratic National Committee Chairman Terry McAuliffe said he is eager to compare Kerry's record to President Bush's. McAuliffe accused Bush of using family connections to avoid service overseas and failing to show up for duty while in the National Guard.

"Simply put, Kerry has a proud record of sacrifice and service whereas Bush has a record of cashed-in connections and evasion," McAuliffe said in a statement Wednesday.

Republican National Committee spokeswoman Christine Iverson said, "Like so many of Terry McAuliffe's comments, this one is not worthy of the dignity of a response."

Kerry's records show that throughout his four years of active duty, superiors gave him glowing evaluations, citing his maturity, intelligence and immaculate appearance. He was recommended for early promotion, and when he left the Navy in 1970 to run for Congress, his commanding officer said it was the Navy's loss.

The lowest marks Kerry earned were the equivalent of average — in military bearing, reliability and initiative. But

narrative comments from his commanding officers said he was diplomatic, charismatic, decisive and well-liked by his men.

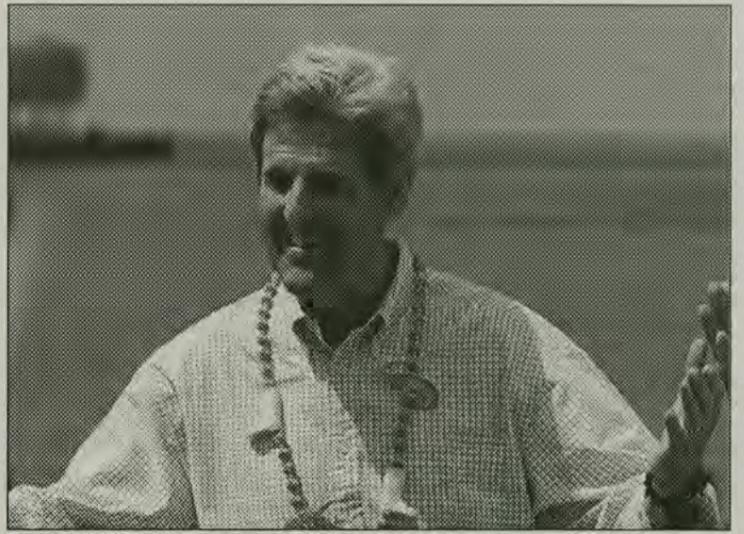
The records cited Kerry's education at Swiss boarding school, his speaking and debating awards and his role as class orator at Yale University's commencement. He lettered in varsity soccer and lacrosse, fenced, had a private pilot's license and had experience sailing and ocean racing.

Kerry traveled throughout Europe in his youth and spoke fluent French and some German. His supervising officer later commended him for taking it upon himself to learn Vietnamese.

Kerry cited his sailing experience before the Navy when he volunteered to command a swiftboat, a 50-foot-long craft that could operate at high speeds in the rough waters of Vietnam's rivers and tributaries.

Some critics have questioned whether Kerry's injuries were severe enough to warrant reassignment to the United States. His records briefly describe shrapnel wounds to his arm and thigh for the first two Purple Hearts, but they don't detail the severity of the wounds.

According to a naval instruction document provided by Kerry's campaign, anyone serving in Vietnam who was wounded three times, regardless of the nature of the wound or treatment required, "will not be ordered to service in Vietnam



Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry shows off a string of Mardi Gras beads while campaigning in Louisiana. Critics questioning his time in Vietnam led the senator to release 120 pages of military records.

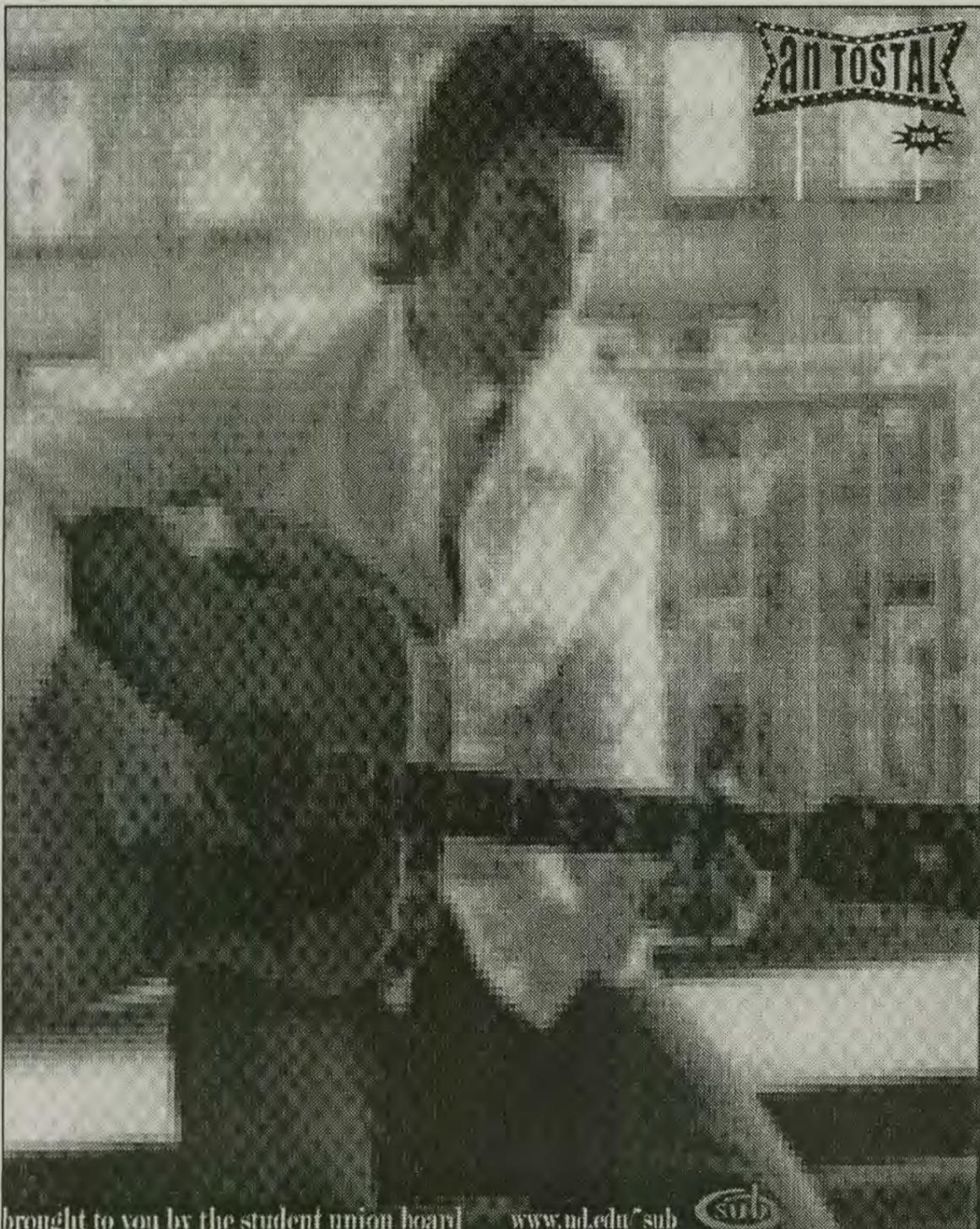
and contiguous waters."

On Feb. 28, 1969, Kerry's and two other boats came under heavy fire from the riverbanks. Kerry ordered his units to turn into the ambush and sent men ashore to charge the enemy. According to the records, an enemy soldier holding a loaded rocket launcher sprang up within 10 feet of Kerry's boat and fled. Kerry leapt ashore, chased and killed the man.

Kerry and his men chased or killed all enemy soldiers in the area, captured enemy weapons and then returned to the boat only to come under fire from the opposite bank as they began

to pull away. Kerry again beached his boat and led a party ashore to pursue the enemy, and they successfully silenced the shooting. Later, with the boats again under fire, Kerry initiated a heavy response that killed 10 Viet Cong and wounded another with no casualties to his own men.

He won the Silver Star "for gallantry and intrepidity in action" that day. Two weeks later, another fire fight led to a Bronze Star for heroic achievement and the third Purple Heart that would result in his reassignment out of Vietnam.



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ISRAEL

Palestinian PM asks Bush to reconsider

Qureia says new West Bank settlement declaration contradicts U.S. policy

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The Palestinian prime minister asked President Bush on Wednesday to reconsider his tacit recognition of some Jewish settlements in the West Bank.

Israeli troops, meanwhile, killed nine Palestinians in fighting in the Gaza Strip, where gun battles in the town of Beit Lahiya trapped about 4,000 residents of a housing complex indoors for several hours.

Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia wrote to Bush, saying recent U.S. declarations that Israel could keep some of the West Bank and would not have to absorb Palestinian refugees contradict longstanding U.S. policy.

In 1991, Qureia wrote, the U.S. government stated that it "opposed unilateral actions that prejudice the outcome of permanent-status negotiations." Qureia said Bush is allowing Israel "to continue creating illegal facts on the ground" by expanding West Bank settlements.

Bush gave the assurances to Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon during a White House meeting last week.

At the time, Bush also endorsed Sharon's plan of "unilateral disengagement" from the Palestinians, including a withdrawal from Gaza and the evacuation of four small West Bank settlements. In exchange, Israel wants to keep and expand five large West Bank settlement blocs with tens of thousands of settlers.

Bush's backing boosted Sharon's chances of winning crucial approval for the plan in a referendum of his Likud Party on May 2.

Palestinian leaders are dismayed by Bush's new policy. Palestinians claim all of the

West Bank and Gaza, along with the right of refugees and their descendants to return to Israel, if they so choose.

Bush defended his decision to support Sharon's territorial plan, saying it included the major concession of an Israeli withdrawal from Gaza.

"The whole world should have said, 'Thank you, Ariel,'" Bush told executives of more than 1,500 Associated Press-member newspapers at the cooperative's annual meeting in Washington. Instead, he said, "there was kind of silence, wasn't there?"

Bush's move on Israel drew angry responses throughout the Arab world, including from moderate U.S. allies Jordan and Egypt.

In new fighting in Gaza, Israeli troops raided the northern town of Beit Lahiya for the second straight day to stop a barrage of homemade rockets fired at nearby Jewish settlements.

Nine Palestinians were killed in Wednesday's fighting, including at least three civilians, among them a 15-year-old boy, hospital officials said. At least five of the dead were gunmen, and 27 people were wounded. It was the bloodiest day in Gaza since March 22, when Hamas founder Sheik Ahmed Yassin and 10 other Palestinians were killed.

The rocket salvos were retaliation for the weekend killing of Hamas leader Abdel Aziz Rantisi by Israel. Hamas threatened "100 unique reprisals," and Sharon said other Hamas leaders would be targeted.

On Wednesday, troops surrounded a housing project in Beit Lahiya.

Bulldozers began demolishing a building under construction, witnesses said, while gunmen exchanged fire with troops.

HAITI

One killed, 23 injured in stampede

Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE — A stampede at a police academy recruiting drive killed one person and injured 23 others in Haiti, officials said Wednesday.

Police fired tear gas and beat back applicants with batons as thousands of job hunters rushed the academy on Tuesday, crashing through the gates and past French guards. U.S. Marines helped to control the crowd by blocking the academy entrance with Humvees.

Meanwhile, the Bahamas withdrew its diplomats from Haiti, following the shooting and robbery of its ambassador's wife and a threatening telephone call to the wife of a second diplomat, a government spokesman on Wednesday told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

During the stampede, Jerry Prophete, 23, fell and was trampled to death, said Police Commissioner Jean-Yonel Trecile, who said 23 others were injured and eight were hospitalized.

"The crowd got so big that the police couldn't control the situation," Jean-Pierre Benjamin, 25, said Wednesday

as he recovered at a hospital in suburban Petionville. "The gates broke open and people started falling. I fell and others stepped on me."

As many as 4,000 applicants showed up for the first day of the recruiting drive on Monday. The numbers swelled to as many as 15,000 people on Tuesday, Trecile said.

Trecile said police had not anticipated the turnout, but said the job hunters were partly to blame. "At one point they went wild," he said.

He said some officers from the riot squad on Monday were taking bribes to allow would-be recruits through the gates of the academy. Trecile said police were investigating.

Most of the impoverished Caribbean country's 8 million people are without jobs and live on less than \$1 a day.

The police recruiting drive has been postponed until Monday, when applicants will be divided among three locations and by the first letter of their last names.

Haiti's interim government began the drive to replenish a depleted force that fled before a rebel advance in February. Hundreds have deserted, some fearing reprisal attacks

because of their loyalties to ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

Some 150 officers were fired last week for abandoning their posts and ethics violations by a U.S.-backed interim government backed by a U.S.-led multinational force.

The Bahamas is the only Caribbean country with an embassy in Haiti. Foreign Affairs Minister Fred Mitchell told the Bahamian Parliament on Wednesday that the government did not believe the shooting was politically motivated.

But a Caribbean diplomat, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said he understood the Bahamas was investigating whether the two incidents were related and connected to the bad relations between Haiti's U.S.-backed interim government and the 15-nation Caribbean Community that has refused to recognize it.

Francoise Newry, wife of Ambassador Eugene Newry, was shot and robbed of her handbag at a market near the downtown presidential palace on Saturday. That night, Michelle Williams, wife of the embassy's second secretary, received a threatening telephone call.

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Americans concerned terrorists might be winning

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Half of Americans have concerns that terrorists might be winning the war on terrorism, and one in five feels strongly that way, according to an Associated Press poll that found many people pessimistic about their security.

Fears about an attack against this country are high. Two-thirds in the poll said it was likely terrorists would strike before the November elections. And a third said it was likely there would be an attack at one of the political conventions this summer.

More than 30 months after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, two-thirds of Americans acknowledge some concern that terrorists may be recruiting faster than the United States can keep up. A third of those polled feel strongly this is the case, and another third say they have at least some worries.

"Terrorists are winning the war for the hearts and minds of the people in the Mideast," said Christine Wyatt, a 52-year-old church deacon in Clarkston, Mich.

Fears about the war on terrorism may be fueled by growing worries about the conflict in Iraq, which has been described by the Bush administration as a front line of the war on terror.

Those who think the military action in Iraq has increased the long-term risk of terrorism in the United States have

increased from 40 percent in December to 54 percent now, according to the poll, conducted for the AP by Ipsos-Public Affairs.

The people who say the Bush administration made the right decision to go to war in Iraq, 48 percent, are now about even with those who think the administration made a mistake, 49 percent. In December, two-thirds said the administration made the right decision.

Doubts about the war on terrorism are higher among women, older Americans, people who make lower incomes and people with less than a high school education, according to the poll.

Others say the terror threat is receding after two and a half years without another attack.

"I don't think they're winning the war, but they're sure putting the fear of God in some countries," said Robert Slivinski, a 33-year-old paramedic and firefighter from Woodbury, Conn. "The threat has decreased since 9/11. We're keeping them at bay."

The AP-Ipsos poll, released Wednesday at The Associated Press annual meeting, found:

- ◆ Half feel that, in some measure, the terrorists might be winning the war on terrorism. One in five in the poll feels strongly the terrorists are winning, while an additional 30 percent say there is at least "a little truth" to that statement.

- ◆ More than a third say they have less faith in government's ability to protect them, and an

additional fourth say there's at least some truth to that idea.

- ◆ Nearly half feel strongly they are more pessimistic about the possibility of there ever being peace in the world, while an additional fourth say there may be some truth to that.

"I think we're twitching on the edge of Armageddon; a lot of people I work with feel the same way," said Michael Miller, a 49-year-old software tester from Las Cruces, N.M. He rejected the idea that terrorists are winning the fight, but he added, "They're not losing it, either."

As for the election campaign, President Bush has the advantage over Democrat John Kerry on people's trust to do a better job of protecting the country, 53 percent to 37 percent.

Some people say they've taken steps to safeguard themselves and their families in response to the terrorist attacks.

- ◆ Three in 10 say they've assembled a kit with emergency supplies like food, water and batteries.

- ◆ Two in 10 say they avoid crowded public spaces like shopping malls and amusement parks.

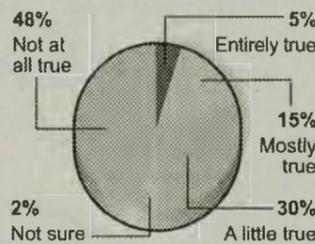
"I know so many people who are afraid to do things, who have changed their lifestyles," said Norma McElhaney, a 58-year-old school employee from Mineral Ridge, Ohio. "The last two years, our eighth grade class didn't go to Washington, D.C., something they had done for years."

AP POLL

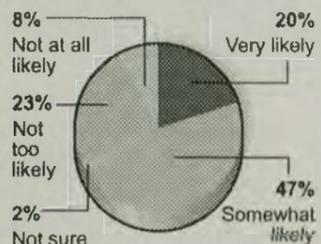
Many feel terrorists are winning war

Half of people polled are concerned the terrorists might be winning the war on terrorism. More than half feel a terrorist attack on U.S. soil will occur between now and November.

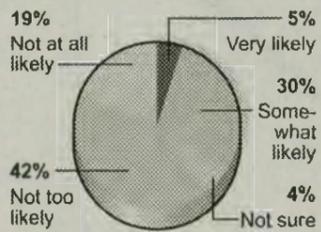
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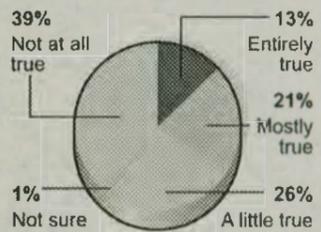
How likely is it that a terrorist attack will occur in the U.S. between now and the election?



How likely is it that terrorists will attack at least one of the political conventions this summer?



How true is the statement: you have less faith now in your government to protect you?



NOTE: Poll based on interviews with 1,001 randomly selected adults between April 5-7 within continental U.S.; margin of error plus or minus 3.0 percentage points

SOURCE: Ipsos-Public Affairs for AP

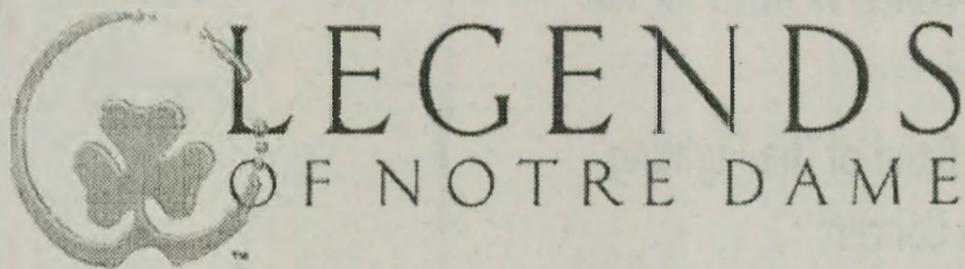
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Despite the widespread anxiety, many reject the notion of terrorists winning as unthinkable.

"I believe their cause is evil," said Cheryl Taylor, a 56-year-old teacher from Waterloo, Iowa. "I don't believe evil will

win, I know it won't. I cling to the other hope."

The AP-Ipsos poll of 1,001 adults was taken April 5-7 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points. The Iraq questions were asked again April 16-18.



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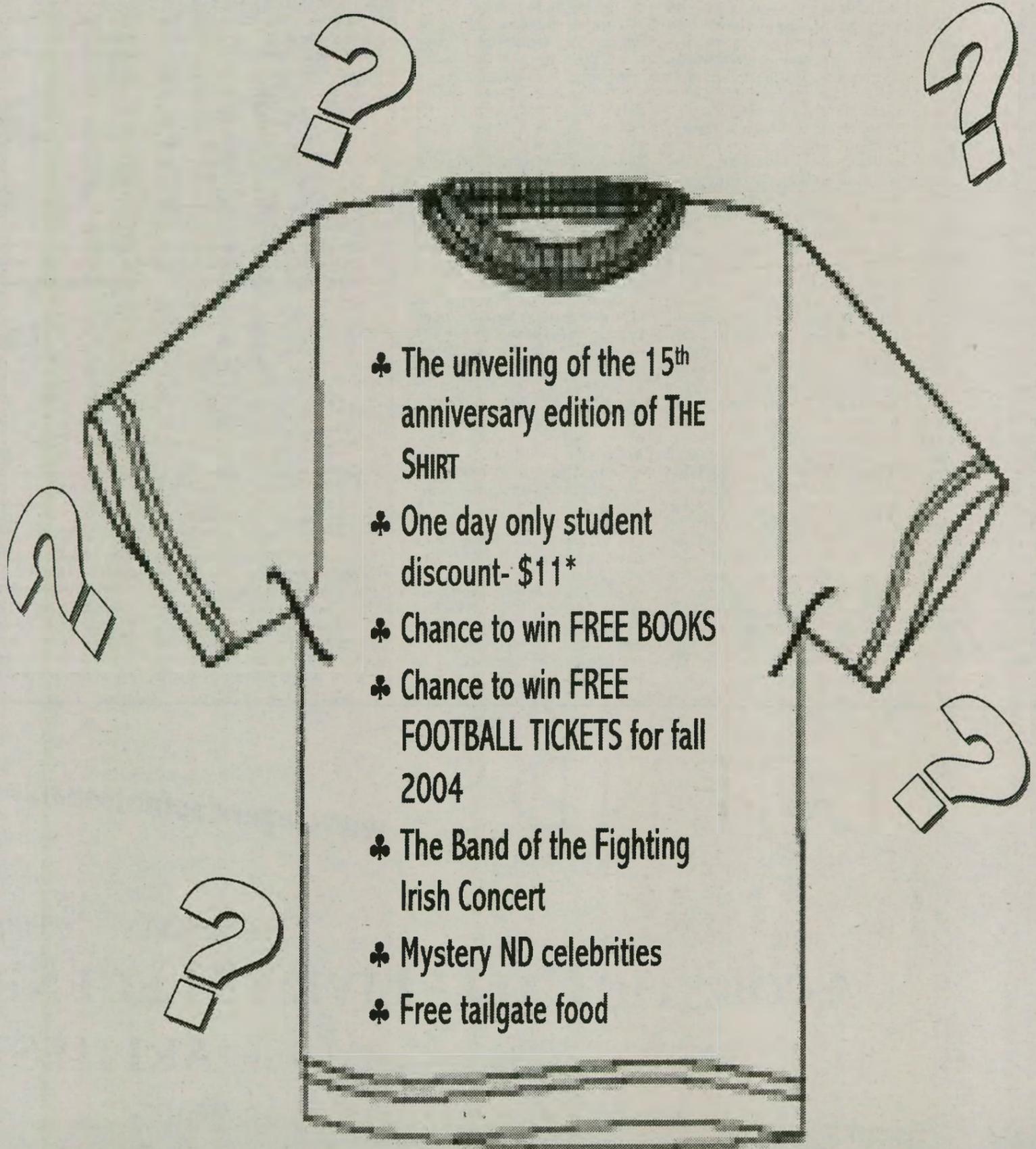
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UNITED NATIONS

Russia nixes Cyprus resolution

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UNITED NATIONS — Russia used its veto on Wednesday to block a resolution outlining new U.N. security arrangements in Cyprus that would take effect if Greek and Turkish Cypriots vote in favor of reunification this week.

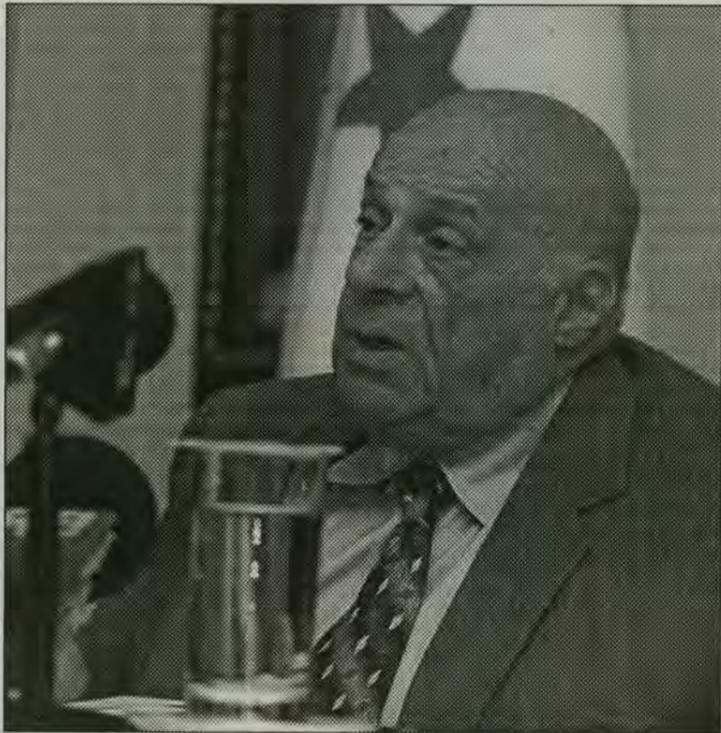
The other 14 members of the council voted in favor of the resolution, which failed because of the Russian veto.

Russian Ambassador Gennady Gatilov said his country saw the resolution, on the table four days before Cypriots vote, as an attempt to influence the outcome of the referendum.

Opinion polls indicate that the U.N. reunification plan will be rejected by 65 percent of Greek Cypriots but approved by more than 60 percent of Turkish Cypriots.

Secretary-General Kofi Annan urged the U.N. Security Council to adopt the resolution to reassure Cypriots about the U.N. commitment to their security.

The United States and Britain agreed to sponsor it but many countries raised questions about why the resolution was needed before Saturday's referendum and several objected to the pressure



Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktaş speaks to the media in his office regarding the referendum to reunify Cyprus. The referendum was defeated by Russia in the U.N. on Wednesday.

on the council to act so quickly on what would be a new U.N. peacekeeping mission.

The U.S. and British ambassadors both expressed regret after the vote.

Last minute efforts to stave off the veto failed but other concerned countries including France, Brazil, Pakistan, China and Chile, agreed to support the move.

ISRAEL

Whistleblower freed after 18 years in jail

Associated Press

ASHKELON — A defiant Mordechai Vanunu walked out of prison on Wednesday after serving 18 years for spilling Israel's nuclear secrets, saying he was proud of his actions and complaining he was treated cruelly by his jailers.

Vanunu, dressed in a checkered shirt and black tie, flashed victory signs and waved to hundreds of cheering supporters as he walked into the sun-splashed courtyard of Shikma Prison in the coastal town of Ashkelon. Dozens of counter-demonstrators booed and shouted epithets.

In the courtyard, Vanunu, 50, held an impromptu news conference, his brother Meir by his side. Vanunu said he was given "very cruel and barbaric treatment" by Israel's security services.

"To all those who are calling me traitor, I am saying I am proud, I am proud and happy to do what I did," Vanunu said in accented and at times broken English. He refused to answer questions in Hebrew because of restrictions Israel has imposed, including a ban on speaking to foreigners.

Vanunu, who converted to Christianity in the 1980s, said he was mistreated because of

his religion. He also said there is no need for a Jewish state and demanded that Israel open its nuclear reactor in Dimona to international inspection.

"I said, Israel don't need nuclear arms, especially now that all the Middle East is free from nuclear weapons," he said.

He left the prison in a gray Mazda van as police dispersed a large crowd. His first stop was St. George, an Anglican church in Jerusalem's Old City. More than a dozen cars and motorcycles followed Vanunu's vehicle to Jerusalem, and a helicopter flew low overhead.

Israeli authorities have imposed a series of travel restrictions and other constraints on Vanunu, saying he still possesses state secrets. But Vanunu said he has no more secrets to reveal. "I am now ready to start my life," he said.

Upon his arrival in Jerusalem, he was mobbed by reporters as the Anglican bishop of Jerusalem, Riah Abu El-Assal, escorted him into the church. Other clergy members embraced Vanunu, and a tearful Peter Hounam, the journalist who wrote the 1986 article that led to Vanunu's imprisonment, hugged him.

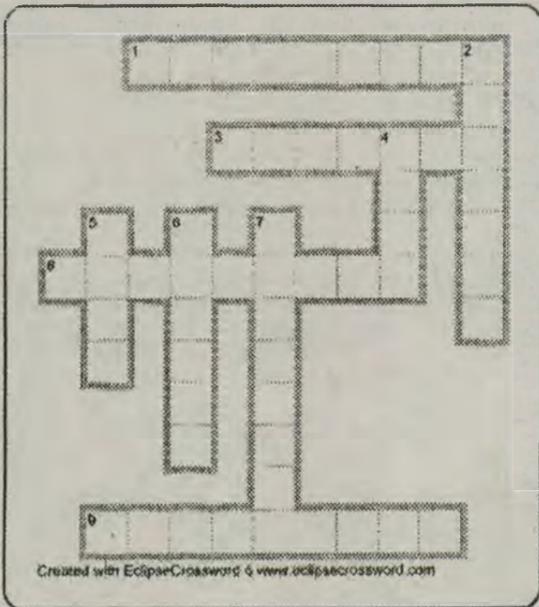
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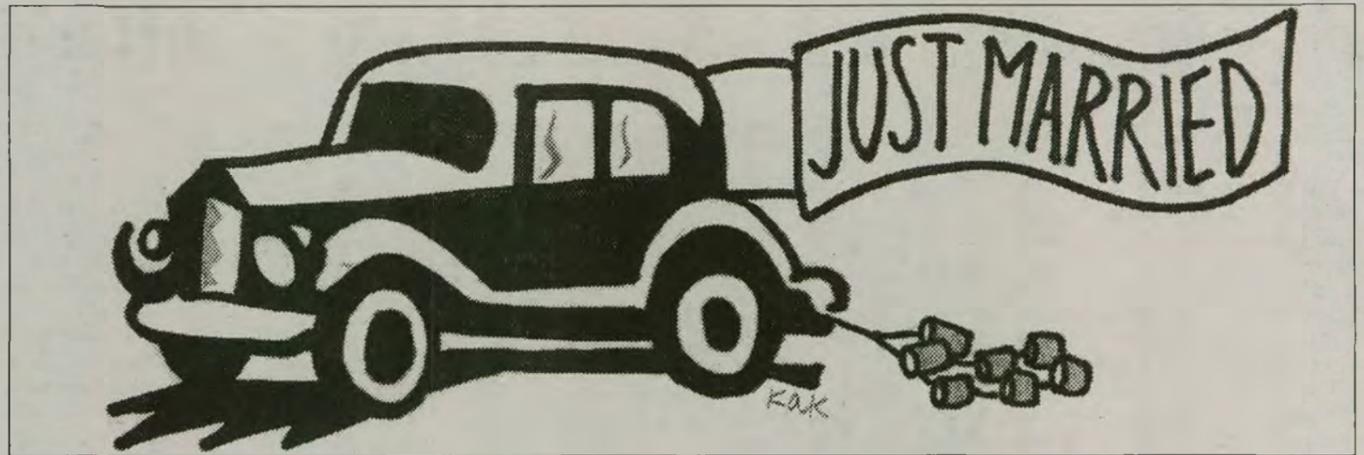
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Religion or politics?

Where in the past alliances have been created, kingdoms forged and families made through matrimony, the gay marriage debate has set son against father and brother against brother.

However, despite the attention the issue has generated, there is sufficient evidence to believe that the debate may not be so newsworthy in the future.

Polls on gay marriage, taken by the Pew Research Center and printed by MSNBC in October, show that younger Americans may be discarding their religious roots. It found "those with a high level of religious commitment oppose gay marriage by 80 percent" and in addition that "younger adults were far more likely to say they favor gay marriage."

If this secularization of the West continues, gay marriage may become a reality in America.

Additionally, because the acceptance of gay marriage has been shown to coincide with secularization, and in light of the diminishing religious tendencies among American youth, although the political poles may be getting further apart when it comes to the older generations, the gap between left and right in America will decrease.

The gay marriage debate is reliant on the political polarization that the United States embodies. This polarization is especially highlighted by European coverage of America's gay marriage debate. America is portrayed in European media as a divided country, ensued in a battle between democratic and republican parties, with gay marriage as the ultimate dividing line.

Criticism becomes apparent in Britain because, where the Jacobean system is present and the body politic is secular, such debate doesn't generate the same amount of cultural interest. Within Anglo coverage is an irony; despite the news hole that they devote to the subject of gay marriage, there is a pervading sense of political indifference towards the issue and bafflement to the American uproar.

When America covers its own gay marriage debate, the tension is not as blatant, but still very much present.

The politicization of gay marriage is apparent but portrayed naturalistically for the most part. It is glossed over and taken for granted.

There have been a number of factors that have kept the debate alive in America.

There is, first of all, a journalistic assumption in the States is that there are two sides to every issue; issues are forced into categories of black and white. Americans have been particularly bothered by the gay marriage debate because they are tortured by a simultaneous desire to support equality for all peoples yet maintain a concept of universal morality.

Americans are particularly predisposed to this yes or no mentality; it is rooted in the framework of the United States. The belief in the notion of universal truth is religious in itself and breathed into existence in the first lines of the States' constitution: "We hold these truths to be self-evident."

Ultimately, coverage of the gay marriage debate exposes an ambiguous space that makes Americans uncomfortable. Anglos are not tortured by this same ambiguity because the Jacobean system personalizes morality, making it much more flexible.

And the result is the narrowing of the gap between liberals and conservatives in the United States. For months, people have argued that America is becoming increasingly divided as a nation, that the left is moving ever more left and the right more right.

However, such findings are not in contradiction with what the gay marriage debate reveals. October Pew Research Center polls published by NBC on gay marriage also found that, "opposition to gay marriage has grown since mid-summer, with 32 percent favoring it and 59 percent saying they opposed gay marriage." However, the increase in opposition cannot be attributed to the younger generations of Americans who were "far more likely to say they favor gay marriage."

Because the debate is a relatively new one, the growth in opposition to gay marriage can be attributed to older generations simply making up their mind on an issue they had not previously encountered. As older

Americans are shown to be more devout in their beliefs, it is not surprising the gay marriage debate would cause an increase in polarization of the American body politic among older Americans.

As the less religious American youth rises and older generations die out, the political gap will narrow. The diminishing of religion would give rise to a more European mentality complete with a personalized morality. The "good" for Americans will cease to be the good for their brothers. Universal truth in America may cease to exist.

In the end, there is sufficient evidence to believe the gay marriage debate may not be much of one in the future. American youth are becoming more and more likely to give gays the right to marry. If future Americans become significantly less religious, it seems gay marriage in the United States may be inevitable. If such is the case, then a less stringently divided body politic also seems inevitable.

Those concerned with the amount of overseas involvement by the United States may be more likely to support a decline in religion to embrace a more relativistic morality in which other countries' beliefs become a topic strictly of their own concern. However, moral relativism is a danger to future prosperity for the United States as well as the rest of the world.

For opponents of gay marriage and the religious, it seems the way to ensure that gay marriages don't become an American reality would be to increase religiosity and spread the faith. This tactic may be more effective than simply pursuing a political agenda.

Either way, the gay marriage debate reveals new dimensions to what may happen in the future of America. Awareness of the implications of the debate will help prevent our own victimization and ensure that we are not only active consumers, but producers of the news.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Trees are the earth's endless effort to speak to the listening heaven."

Rabindranath Tagore
author

Politics is not cool

Baudelaire once wrote that for the merchant, even honesty is a financial speculation. By the same token, I think what disturbs us most when we hear politicians speak is the sense that they are constantly — reflexively — calculating how their words will affect their polling numbers and their chances for election or re-election. Even when they are sincere, their sincerity is a strategy. Usually, they are not sincere.

Peter Wicks

Englishman
Abroad

Following the British debate over the war has led me to change my opinion of Tony Blair. Before the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, Blair was widely perceived to be a creature of opinion polls. But Blair instinctively saw that the attacks represented an assault not just on the United States, but on civilization itself, and he supported the war in Iraq in the face of widespread dissent within his own party and amongst the British people.

It is not my intention to defend Blair's position on the war here; I just want to register my surprise at seeing him stop fawning on public opinion — such fawning is the mark of a demagogue, not a democrat — and become a real leader.

That's a rare thing, and it may yet cost Blair the leadership of his party. But it was good to see that it's still possible for a politician to persuade the public rather than pandering to it. For a particularly egregious example of such pandering, let's turn to John Kerry's recent appearance on MTV. I

don't mean this to be an attack on Kerry particularly, but I think his MTV performance is a particularly clear example of a disease that afflicts politicians of every party. The show was part of "Choose or Lose", an initiative aiming to encourage people in the 18-30 age group to vote and be "a deciding factor in the 2004 presidential election."

Some of Kerry's comments were just standard campaign boilerplate, which no politician seems able to do without, but what was particularly painful to watch was a four-term U.S. senator trying to sound cool, addressing his audience as if he wasn't sure whether he wanted them to choose him as their president or their roommate.

There should be a word for lies that you tell even though you know there is absolutely no chance of anyone believing you. Such was Kerry's claim to be "fascinated" by rap and hip-hop. In Kerry's televised opinion, "there's a lot of poetry in it. There's a lot of anger, a lot of social

energy in it. And I think you'd better listen to it pretty carefully, 'cause it's important."

We should note in passing the use of the terms "anger" and "social energy" as if the one implied the other. It is becoming increasingly popular to

take the view that there's something naturally progressive about being angry. This is, I think, a symptom of the narcissistic turn that progressive politics has taken, to the point where many would-be activists seem more concerned with the righteousness of their political sentiments than with tedious questions about whether or not their tactics might be counterproductive. (Does anyone doubt that the people who carried signs comparing Bush to Hitler at anti-war protests did more to help secure support for Bush than any of his own speeches?)

Many people — including some who still enjoy it — are concerned about the misogyny of much rap music, and about its celebration of violence and

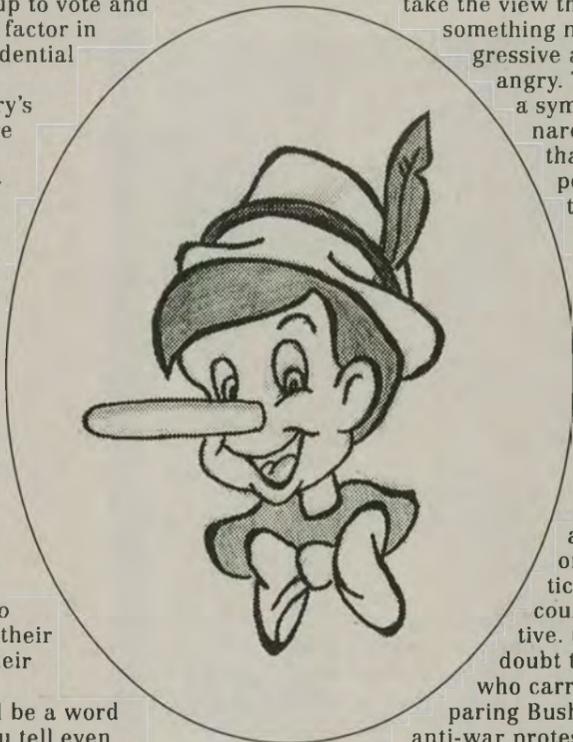
criminality. Kerry is prepared to admit that when rappers start talking about killing cops it "bothers" him, but he's "still listening" because "it's a reflection of the street." Politicians rarely sound more foolish than when they are talking about how things are on "the street."

In case you missed the show, I should add that Kerry is absolutely not in favor of the government censoring music, but he doesn't think that it's inappropriate "occasionally to talk about what you think is a standard or what you think is a value that is worth trying to live up to." So, if you think the popularity of songs like Ice-T's "Cop Killer" might be something to worry about, well then it would be okay for you to talk about that. Occasionally.

But my purpose isn't to criticize Kerry's views, because it's perfectly obvious these aren't his views. They are just an empty gesture of goodwill to people who like hip hop music. There is something deeply condescending about such a gesture. It insults its audience because it suggests they can't understand that a U.S. senator has better things to do than keep up with pop culture. It insults them because it suggests they can't understand that politics is not, and should not be, cool.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

An issue of student privacy

I have never written to The Observer before, but the disgust that I felt Wednesday in reading the names of those students arrested at the Library Irish Pub has compelled me to do so.

The Observer staff will argue that they have a right to report the names of these students because police arrests are public information; I grant them this right. What I cannot understand is why the staff would opt to tarnish the reputations of their fellow students. I have struggled to find a reason as to why a student newspaper at this University would lower itself to such a level, especially after repeated requests that names not be used.

Before the night was over, most knew of the bust at the Library. If anyone had wanted to find out the names of those arrested, they could have checked the daily police blotter in the local paper. This is the cause of my disgust: not one student on this campus needs to know who was arrested. What does knowing the student's name enable us to do that we would have been unable to do otherwise? The difficulty in formulating a response to this question proves that there is a line of student privacy that should not be crossed.

My goal with this letter is to defend the privacy and integrity of those arrested, and to ask the question of why our student newspaper would turn its back on the students. The Observer may be a nationally recognized student newspaper, but I am embarrassed to call it my own.

Jake Roffman
 junior
 off-campus
 April 21

Don't stop wearing orange

Don't stop wearing orange. Civil liberties is not an entitlement — it's a fundamental, inalienable right. Being gay means that U.S. citizens and Notre Dame students have to forgo certain human rights. It means that gay couples cannot visit each other in hospitals, cannot share employee health care benefits and are not eligible for the legal protections that marriage provides.

As a recently open gay man and recent graduate from Notre Dame, I realize that some people just won't accept homosexuality, based on religious doctrine, institutional mandate or just plain fear. I spent years as a diversity educator trying to open students' eyes to issues of diversity, wanting them to see that skin color, class, gender and sexual orientation are not reasons to hate or deny people their human rights.

I can accept doctrinal differences. I studied at four universities during my time at Notre Dame, exposing myself to a wide range of perspectives. I realize that social and political beliefs come from a person's own experiences, social indoctrination and education.

What I refuse to accept is denying anyone in this country equality and justice. In Virginia, small businesses cannot legally offer health insurance to the same-sex partners of an employee. Many non-discrimination clauses in businesses and universities fail to include sexual orientation. Matthew Shephard is a reminder that hate-crimes bills have far to go. Unfortunately, these stories and voices are often lost in mainstream diversity education, particular if people feel alone in their plights.

Gay students at Notre Dame still do not have

access to the same support networks as other minority groups such as those resources offered by Multicultural Student Programs and Services and Campus Ministry. Allowing gay students to organize and advertise these resources without the scrutiny of the administration is crucial. Gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning students at Notre Dame deserve better. Supporting them is not a promotion of homosexuality, but it's a protection of their well-being, civil liberties and human dignity.

There are many ways to do things better at Notre Dame. The shirt campaign is only the beginning. As a former resident assistant, I know that empowering Notre Dame students how to be just and supportive people starts in the residential life. Hall staff has a pivotal role in this process. The Observer offers an important venue for communicating dialogue on issues of injustice. Calling on administrators to make changes can come in a variety of advocacy efforts.

Though I am proud of the blessings and challenges that I encountered at Notre Dame, I believe many crucial changes are still necessary before this world-class university is truly catholic in its ideals and practices. The horror of denying human rights must not be one of Notre Dame's legacies.

I call on students, faculty, and administrators to open their minds and hearts and make a difference.

Ken Seifert
 alumni
 class of 2003
 April 21



Arms and



By JONATHAN RETARTHA
Scene Writer

The curtain will fall one last time this weekend for the department of film, television and theater as it presents its final Mainstage production at Washington Hall, George Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man."

The comedy, written in 1894, tells the story of the Petkoff family during the war between Bulgaria and Serbia. The Petkoffs are one of the most affluent families in Bulgaria, with the family's patriarch, Major Petkoff holding one of the highest positions in the Bulgarian army. Major Petkoff's daughter, Raina, is also betrothed to another highly ranked officer, Sergius.

One night, as Raina is dreaming about the heroic actions of her father and fiancée, she is surprised in her room by a Swiss soldier, Captain Bluntschli, who is fighting on the side of Serbia. He hides in her room overnight to escape the Bulgarian soldiers and develops a friendship with Raina, who does not want to see him captured or killed. Bluntschli also manages to distort Raina's heroic image of her fiancée. He discredits the heralded cavalry charge of Sergius by telling how the Serbs simply were not delivered bullets in time.

Several months later, the war comes to an end and Major Petkoff returns home with Sergius, who has decided to leave the military after he failed to receive a promotion. The two tell stories of their travels, including one encounter with a Swiss soldier who managed to find shelter in a young Bulgarian girl's room during an attack. Raina and her mother realize the two have met Captain Bluntschli, and when Bluntschli returns to the home to give back a coat Raina lent him, an awkward reunion ensues for everyone involved.

Raina is troubled by the lie she must now upkeep, but little does she know of the forbidden desires of her fiancée, Sergius, who longs for an affair with the family housekeeper. These romantic plot twists and love triangles add a great deal of comedy to a play filled with dialogue about the nature of war and the status of servants and their masters in society.

Tom Barkes is the acting manager of the Washington Hall facility. For 19 years, he has seen numerous plays. Student and professional plays, conferences, concerts and other shows have passed through the doors of Washington Hall. Built in 1881, the facility was used for a multi-



tude of exhibitions and events, including graduation.

"Everything was there, any they had going," Barkes said. "When I first started here, a different classes were her DeBartolo [Hall] was built."

The building itself is at the second Washington Hall campus. The first one was down when the current one erected. Like the main building used to have steps that led to the performance hall. The building went through a major renovation during 1983-84, where of the building was repainted much of the original artwork covered up. The most important piece of art was the one by the building was named.

"It used to have a picture of George Washington above the stage," Barkes said.

Along with the Washington mural, there were also pair of Shakespeare, Descartes some of the Greek muse name a few.

Barkes also adds in regard the large chandelier that originally adorned the main perform

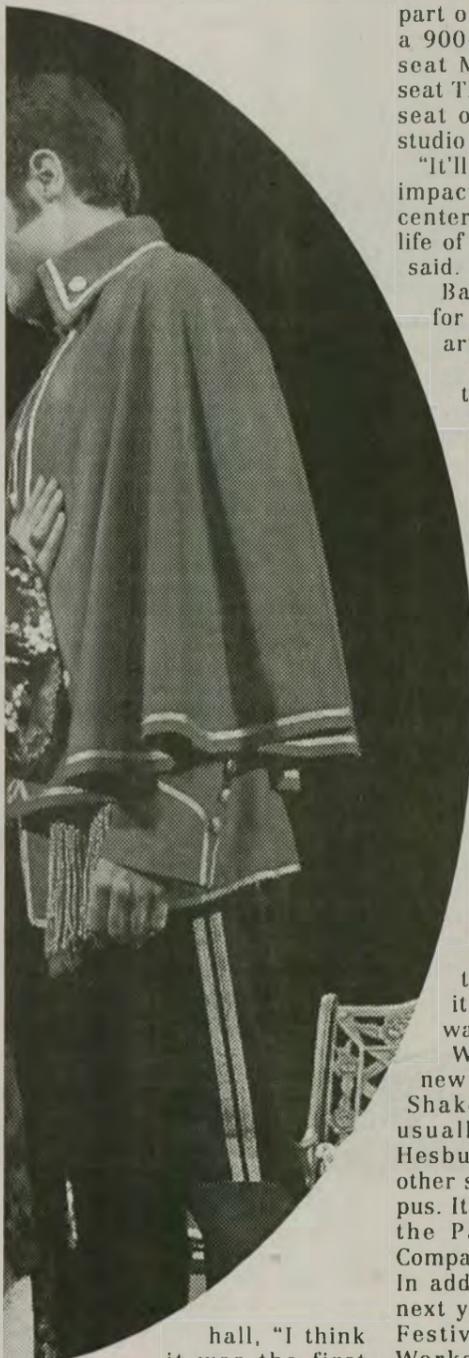


George Bernard Shaw's comedy "Arms and the Man" opened Wednesday night and runs through Saturday. It is the last film, television and theater Mainstage production to grace the stage of Washington Hall. This brilliant production is deserving of such a historic position in Notre Dame theater.

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SHAWNA MONSON



of the Man



part of DeBartolo quad, it houses a 900-seat concert hall, a 350-seat Mainstage theater, a 200-seat THX-Certified theater, a 100-seat organ hall and a 100-seat studio theater.

"It'll be interesting to see what impact the new performing arts center will have on the cultural life of the students here," Barkes said.

Barkes recognizes the need for increased emphasis on the arts at Notre Dame.

"We have sorely missed that at this institution for a long time. I think that we have been pretty consistent [with the student participation], but I don't think that the student body as a whole has been as excited about what goes on at Washington Hall as they used to," Barkes said. "I don't know the reason for that, but my sense is that the new Performing Arts Center will offer a great boost to the visibility of the arts on campus."

As for the future of Washington Hall, Barkes already has a full schedule lined up for next year, noting, "Gosh, except for the beginning of the year ... it really is just as busy as it was this year."

Washington Hall will be the new home for the Not-So-Royal Shakespeare Company, which usually performs at the small Hesburgh Center theater or in other small theaters around campus. It will also continue to house the Pasquerilla East Musical Company and the St. Ed's Players. In addition, the hall will present next year's Notre Dame Literary Festival, Jazz Festival, Opera Workshop, Irish Dancing Workshop, the Farley Hall Players and O'Neill Hall's Queen of ND. Barkes is also very excited about the Student Union Board's involvement next year with Washington Hall. "SUB is going to try to do something every Friday before a football game," Barkes said.

As for this weekend's performance, "Arms and the Man" is a dialogue rich play that is beautifully brought to life by all of the actors involved. A wonderfully produced play, it is very deserving of its historical place as the last Mainstage performance at Washington Hall.

George Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man" performs at Washington Hall and started Wednesday, running through Saturday. Tonight's, Friday's and Saturday's performances are at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday's is set for 2:30 p.m. General admission tickets are available at the LaFortune box office for \$10, senior citizens for \$9 and all students for \$7.

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Written in 1894, Shaw's "Arms and the Man" has withstood the test of time and remains relevant today. With commentary on social class the nature of war, its themes remain timeless. Also, the play's comedic twists and humorous love triangles are cleverly performed by the talented student cast and are sure to please any audience.

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hall, "I think it was the first building on campus that was built with electricity."

Barkes is also very thankful Washington Hall has escaped some of the types catastrophes that have plagued the Main building over the years. "We've been very lucky, we have stayed pretty safe."

In regards to the many performances he has seen during his tenure, Barkes enjoys both the student and professional performances equally, but notes that, "Sometimes the student groups will surprise you, and that's when it's the most fun." One of Barkes's favorite performances was Amadeus, during the 1987-8 school year. As Barkes recalls, "When we sold out before we opened, that was a fun production." He also remembers 1990 - "The first time that Actors from the London Stage came - that blew me away."

This fall the Mainstage productions, along with a great number of film, television and theater courses will move to the new Marie P. DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Located on the south

MLB

Philadelphia falls to Florida 8-7 in 12 innings

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — The last time Mike Lowell had a game like this, he was swinging an aluminum bat in college.

Lowell homered three times and Luis Castillo hit a sacrifice fly in the 12th inning to send the Florida Marlins to their eighth straight victory over the Philadelphia Phillies, 8-7 Wednesday night.

Lowell led off the ninth with a tying shot off All-Star closer Billy Wagner, who blew his first save with the Phillies. The Marlins third baseman also hit a solo shot off Eric Milton in the second and a two-run drive off Tim Worrell in the seventh, becoming the first player in team history to connect three times in one game.

It was the first three-homer game in the majors this season.

"I didn't get caught up in the at-bats because we were trying to come back," Lowell said. "It was a career day. I did it in tee ball and once in college (at Florida International) my sophomore year."

With a chance to hit his fourth homer and tie a major league record, Lowell popped out to third base in the 11th against Ryan Madson. Lowell came in with one homer in the first 13 games.

"He stepped up big time," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said.

Pinch-hitter Ricky Ledee's two-run homer in the eighth inning off Chad Fox gave Philadelphia a 7-6 lead. Jim Thome also connected for the Phillies.

The World Series champion Marlins have won 17 of their last 19 games against the Phillies, who blew a slim wild-card lead over Florida down the stretch last season.

"They find a way to win. That's why they won the World Series," Phillies manager Larry Bowa said.

Juan Pierre walked with one out in the 12th against Madson (0-1). Pierre stole second and went to third on an errant throw by catcher Mike Lieberthal, despite a pitchout. Castillo then lofted a medium fly to left, and Pat Burrell's throw to the plate hit Pierre.

Justin Wayne (1-0) pitched two scoreless innings for the win.

Placido Polanco circled the

bases on a hit to left field leading off the Phillies' ninth, but was sent back to second because the ball got stuck under the wall, drawing a heated argument from Bowa.

Ranger 4, Angels 1

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Rookie catcher Gerald Laird is going to become a favorite of his pitching staff if he keeps throwing out potential base stealers at this rate.

Laird threw out three baserunners trying to steal second, and Michael Young hit a tiebreaking two-run triple to help the Rangers beat Anaheim for their fifth win in six tries against the Angels.

"That's always been my strong point, being able to throw guys out," Laird said. "Every level I've played at, I've led the league in throwing-out percentage, so I just want to be consistent and continue that success."

"What it does is help out our pitchers. If they see I can throw guys out, they're going to hold guys on for me," Laird added. "We kept three guys out of scoring position, and Dickey was able to do his thing and focus on making his pitches."

Laird, who grew up about 10 minutes from Angel Stadium, has thrown out six of 10 runners this season, including David Eckstein in the first inning.

"They play the game right and play the game hard," Eckstein said. "They're going to be in a lot of ballgames because they play for nine innings."

The last Rangers catcher to throw out three runners in a game was Doug Mirabelli, on May 7, 2001, against the White Sox.

"I owe a lot of it to Mike," Laird said of Young, who shifted from second base to shortstop this season after AL MVP Alex Rodriguez was traded to the Yankees. "I had a couple of tough throws and Mike made some good plays for me with those tags."

Padres 11, Giants 0

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds missed out on adding another record to his remarkable resume.

The six-time MVP failed to tie the major league mark for consecutive games with a home run when his streak ended at seven in the San Diego Padres' victory over the San Francisco

Giants.

Bonds never even took a swing. Jake Peavy (1-1) struck him out looking with a 2-2 pitch on the inside corner in the second inning, and Bonds also walked on four pitches twice. He wound up one game short of the record shared by Dale Long (1956), Don Mattingly (1987) and Ken Griffey Jr. (1993).

Peavy practically apologized for walking Bonds twice.

"I was trying to throw the ball. I wanted to get him out," Peavy said. "I just couldn't do it. The second at-bat I was careful. The third at-bat I wanted to let him hit the ball. I hated how things worked out."

Bonds was replaced in left field by Dustan Mohr in the eighth after the slugger told manager Felipe Alou he'd had enough.

"I asked him after the second walk and he was kind of disappointed," Alou said. "I told him a lot of people were expecting another at-bat ... and he went back out and played defense. But then the score got to be worse and he decided it wasn't worth it. I wanted to take him out earlier though."

Bonds was not available for comment after the game. He probably won't play in the series finale Thursday — he often gets a rest during day games after night games. Alou said a decision would be made in the morning.

Peavy pitched six strong innings, allowing four hits and striking out four.

He also had two hits and an RBI. Jay Witasick and Jason Szuminski completed the Padres' first shutout of the year.

Tigers 11, Twins 8

MINNEAPOLIS — The Detroit Tigers weren't about to relax with a nine-run lead — not with the memory of last season still fresh in their minds.

Ivan Rodriguez had four hits and the Tigers roughed up Brad Radke and hung on to beat Minnesota, ending the Twins' six-game winning streak.

Craig Monroe had three hits and scored three runs, and Alex Sanchez returned to the lineup and drove in three runs. Detroit led 9-0 in the third inning and held on to win.

Only once last season did the Tigers score more than 11 runs. On their way to an AL-



Jim Thome, left, is congratulated by Philadelphia teammate Pat Burrell after his sixth-inning two-run homer against the Marlins at Citizen's Bank Ball Park. The Phillies went on to lose, 8-7.

record 119 losses, they beat Kansas City 15-6 on Sept. 23.

"Being on the team last year and having as many losses as we did, I find myself never getting comfortable," Detroit's Brandon Inge said. "That's just because in this game, anything can happen."

"I wouldn't expect it to happen with this ballclub, but at the same time, my guard is up."

Al Levine (2-0) pitched 1 2-3 innings to get the win in relief. Ugueth Urbina got the final three outs for a save in his first chance with Detroit.

Minnesota, which trailed 11-3, chipped away and cut the lead to three on Shannon Stewart's solo homer to open the eighth. But Levine and Urbina combined to retire six of the next seven batters.

Radke (2-1), who pitched eight shutout innings against Cleveland in his last start, lasted only two innings in his shortest start in nearly two years.

"I thought I made a few good pitches, but I made some bad ones and they put the ball in play," Radke said.

Red Sox 4, Blue Jays 2

TORONTO — Doug Mirabelli won't be bugging his manager for more playing time, even after hitting two homers.

"Overexposure is the quickest way out of this game," Mirabelli joked. "I like where I am."

Mirabelli, Boston's backup

catcher, got three hits, Tim Wakefield had another solid outing and the Red Sox sent the Toronto Blue Jays to their fifth straight loss with a victory.

Before the game, Mirabelli joked with manager Terry Francona about how he deserved to start over Jason Varitek because he'd homered off Ted Lilly before.

Mirabelli, who went 3-for-4, was already in the starting lineup, but he's played in just three games this season, serving as Wakefield's personal catcher.

"I love my role. I can relax for four days and give it all I have for one day," he said.

Mirabelli, who hit six homers last season, had an opposite-field homer off Lilly (0-2) in the third. His two-run shot in the fourth hit off the facing of the fourth deck in left field. It was his second career multihomer game.

"Every time I get a hit it's a surprise," he said.

At 3-11, the Blue Jays are off to the worst start in club history. Toronto is also the first team to start 0-8 at home since the 1992 Detroit Tigers.

"Our offense is nonexistent," Toronto manager Carlos Tosca said.

Wakefield (2-0) became the latest pitcher to shut down the Blue Jays, allowing two runs on six hits, while striking out four and walking two in 6 2-3 innings.

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by Fr. Richard Warner, C.S.C.
Director, Campus Ministry

On Easter Saturday afternoon, the Indiana Province of the Congregation of Holy Cross ordained its largest class of priests in ten years. Six Holy Cross religious were ordained priests in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart by the Most Reverend Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C., bishop of Peoria, before a standing room only crowd of people in a very impressive and joyous setting. Among those ordained was Father Daniel Parrish, C.S.C., rector of Zahm Hall.

There are so many joyous, solemn and impressive moments in that special liturgy. Over 130 Holy Cross priests concelebrated the Mass with Bishop Jenky, and each of them placed their hands on the heads of each of those to be ordained in an ancient rite that comes to us from apostolic times. The testimony of the people who had been served by the priests during their deacon year was grateful, and occasionally humorous, reflections on how these men had served them through baptism and marriages, by their uplifting preaching and comforting hospital visits, and through teaching and working with youth groups. And in the closing moments of the Mass, Bishop Jenky received a first blessing from each of the priests and kissed their hands which would bless, consecrate, offer God's forgiveness, pour water over the heads of those they would baptize, anoint the sick with holy oil and bless newly married couples.

For them to request and accept ordination with such hope and joy during a moment which has been difficult because of the highly publicized scandals which have been caused by a small but inexcusable number of priests and bishops, is a great sign of their love for a life of brotherhood and ministry

For six young men to make this commitment to Christ, the Church and the Congregation of Holy Cross is a sign of God's love for us and for all His people. For them to request and accept ordination with such hope and joy during a moment which has been difficult because of the highly publicized scandals which have been caused by a small but inexcusable number of priests and bishops, is a great sign of their love for a life of brotherhood and ministry that will enable them to enter into the lives of many people of different cultures under diverse circumstances.

The negative aspects of our society which is increasingly secularized and secularizing do not give much credence to permanent commitments born of love whether it be through the sacrament of matrimony or the sacrament of Holy Orders. But a strong faith draws many young people to commit themselves to a life lived for others, and find great happiness carrying out the promises they made and live out of love.

All six of these men have worked with Campus Ministry during their years of formation in the RCIA program, retreats, marriage preparation courses and in many other ways. Like those who testified on their behalf on Saturday, we, too, have found them to be well prepared, zealous and men who will make a difference wherever they are assigned.

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Law School Commons

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Sunday's Scripture Readings

1st: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 2nd: Revelations 5:11-14 Gospel: John 21:1-19

NBA PLAYOFFS

Bucks survive furious Pistons rally, even series

Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Michael Redd bounced back, and so did the Milwaukee Bucks.

Barely. Redd scored a career playoff high of 26 points as Milwaukee held on to beat the Detroit Pistons 92-88 Wednesday in Game 2 and even their series. It was the first win by a road team in this year's playoffs.

The Bucks led 87-72 with 3:13 left before Detroit made a frantic comeback. With a chance to tie or take the lead, Rasheed Wallace took a pass in the corner and the ball slipped out of his hands and went out of bounds with 4.1 seconds left.

Redd then made two free throws to seal the win.

The Bucks' leading scorer had just 11 points — about half his

average — and made seven of Milwaukee's 25 turnovers in its 108-82 loss Sunday. Redd scored his 12th point on the opening possession of the second half Wednesday.

Heat 93, Hornets 63

MIAMI — The Miami Heat had no need for another last-second hero Wednesday night — not the way the New Orleans Hornets missed shots at a near-record rate.

New Orleans shot 24.4 percent to tie for the second-lowest playoff point total since the shot clock was introduced in 1954, and the Heat won for a 2-0 lead in their Eastern Conference playoff series.

The hapless Hornets finished 20-for-82. They sank seven meaningless baskets in the fourth quarter to avoid breaking

the record for playoff shooting futility — 23.3 percent, set by Golden State in 1973.

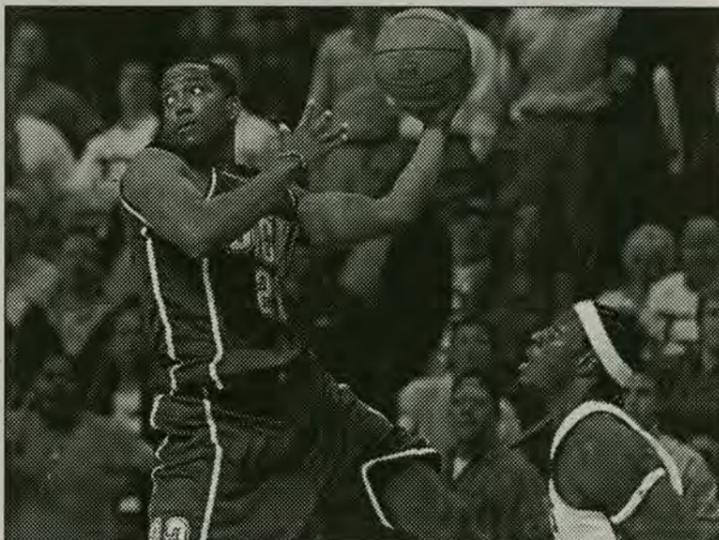
Dwyane Wade's basket with 1.3 seconds left gave Heat a win in Game 1, but they wrapped up Game 2 early, taking a 23-point lead in the third quarter.

Timberwolves 95, Nuggets 81

MINNEAPOLIS — Latrell Sprewell took care of the shooting, and Kevin Garnett did the dirty work.

Sprewell scored 31 points, Garnett had his third career playoff triple-double and the Timberwolves beat the Denver Nuggets Wednesday night to take a 2-0 lead in their first-round Western Conference playoff series.

The series shifts to Denver for the next two games, with Game 3 set for Saturday night.



Bucks' Michael Redd saves a ball headed out of bounds as Piston Ben Wallace looks on in the second half of the Bucks' victory.

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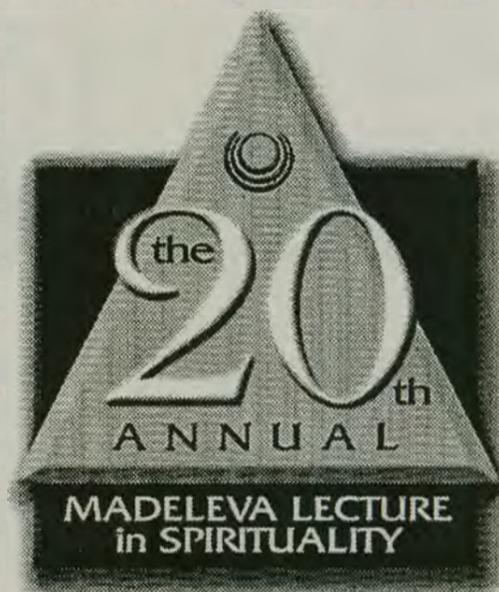
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NBA

Bryant defense cannot use accuser's records

Judge refuses to allow defense lawyers to use medical records of 19-year-old woman who accused Lakers star of rape

Associated Press

DENVER — The judge in the Kobe Bryant case dealt a blow to the defense Wednesday, barring access to the medical records of the 19-year-old woman accusing the NBA star of rape.

Judge Terry Ruckriegle said no witness during three hearings had convinced him that the woman had waived her confidentiality rights by telling others about her medical conditions and treatment.

Ruckriegle also threw out defense subpoenas seeking records from three health care providers.

Bryant faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation if convicted of felony sexual assault. The Los Angeles Lakers star has said he had consensual sex with the woman last summer at the Vail-area resort where she worked.

The judge acknowledged the woman had discussed her conditions and treatment in general terms with friends and relatives, but said he believed it was clear she had no intent to waive confidentiality.

"The victim never revealed the specific nature of her medical treatment, the substance of her conversations with the medical providers nor other confidential details

of her condition and medical treatment," the judge wrote. Ruckriegle also rejected defense arguments that the woman waived privacy rights by talking with Eagle County sheriff's Detective Doug Winters, who interviewed her shortly after the alleged assault.

The woman's attorney, John Clune, declined to comment. Defense attorney Hal

Haddon did not return a call, and prosecution spokeswoman Krista Flannigan said only that prosecutors were pleased.

Bryant's attorneys have said in court filings they believe the woman's medical records could undermine her credibility and demonstrate she had a "scheme" to falsely accuse the Lakers star. They say she twice attempted suicide in the months before meeting Bryant, and had been prescribed anti-depressant and anti-psychotic drugs.

Prosecutors have argued that none of the information contained in her medical records is relevant to whether she consented to sex with Bryant.

Analysts said the ruling was not surprising, considering strong state laws protecting confidentiality and a 2002 Colorado Supreme Court ruling that told judges they cannot review medical

records — even behind closed doors — without consent.

"This is definitely an important victory for people who get medical treatment that don't want to lose the privilege just because they've decided to talk to other people or confide in family and friends for sup-

port," said Karen Steinhauser, a former prosecutor and visiting professor at the University of Denver law school.

Larry Pozner, past president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, said the defense still can seek testimony from people who have

direct knowledge about the woman's purported suicide attempts and prescription drug use.

"The defense has a bathtub full of evidence on her suicide attempts that is not in the medical records — it's just plain old-fashioned (eyewitness) testimony," Pozner said.

"This is definitely an important victory for people who get medical treatment that don't want to lose the privilege just because they've decided to talk to other people or confide in family and friends for support."

Karen Steinhauser scholar

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8 pm, Moreau Seminary Chapel

Katie Hunt & Mark Thomas, organ
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Saturday, April 24, 2004

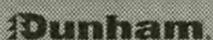
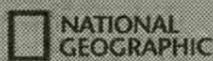
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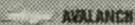
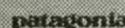
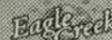
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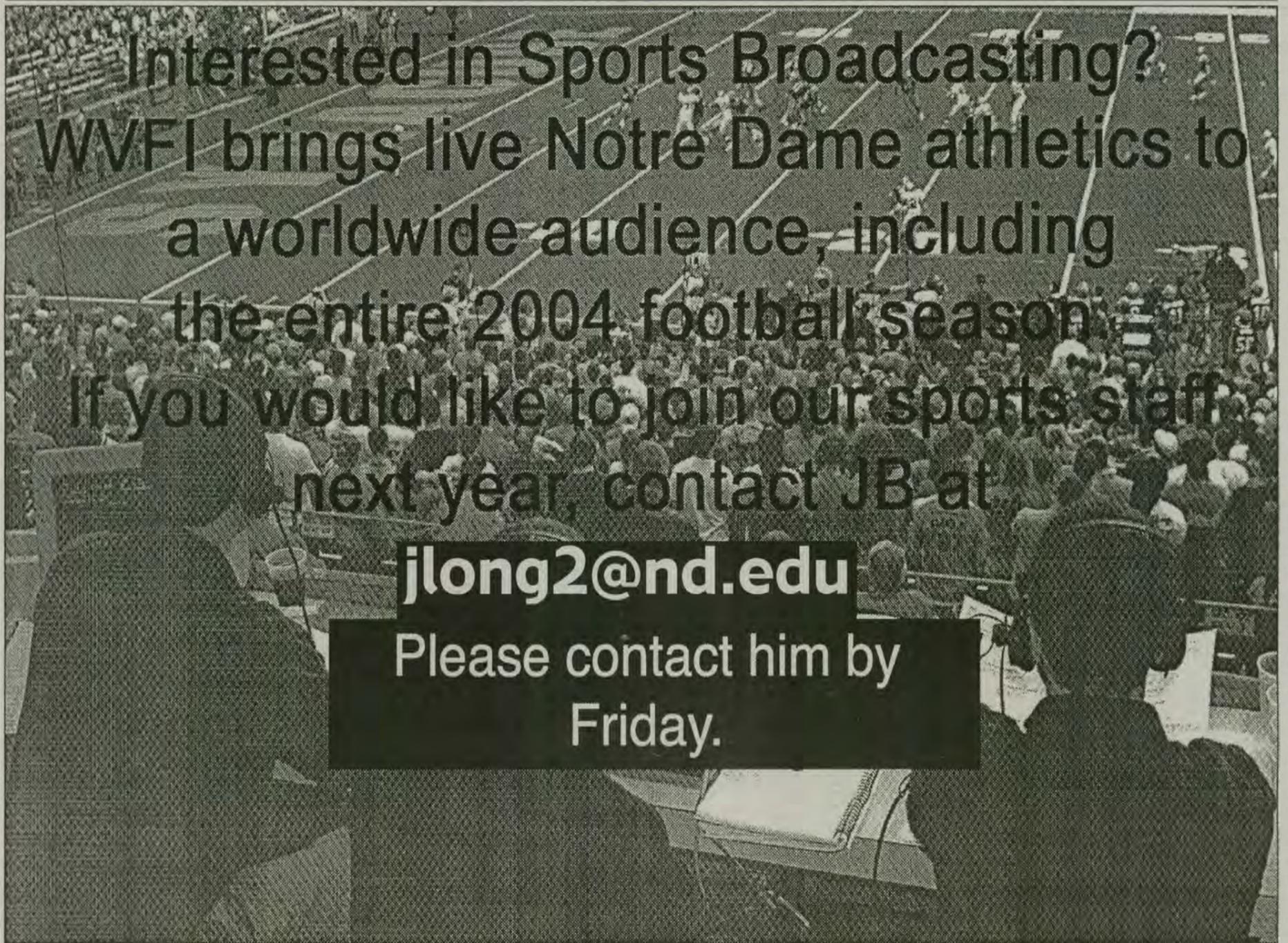
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NFL DRAFT

Ukrainian lineman may be unexpected first-round pick

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Igor Olshansky was just 15 but already a behemoth at 6-foot-5 and 245 pounds.

A high school football coach spotted him in the stands, watching a sport he was still learning eight years after emigrating from Ukraine.

"I put him up against a wall and spoke for 30 minutes," Vince Tringali recalled. "I told him, 'You're crazy, kid. You have to get out there. If you keep growing, you'll be worth a lot of money.'"

That prediction could soon prove true: Olshansky has parlayed his rare combination of strength, size and speed to shoot up the draft board in recent weeks, becoming a possible first-round sleeper in this weekend's NFL draft.

According to the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Olshansky would be the first player born in the former Soviet Union in the NFL.

It's been a rapid ascension for a player who just a few years ago didn't even know there were 11 players a side in football.

"I didn't know anything about football," said Olshansky, who played in college at Oregon. "I'd seen it, but I didn't understand what I was watching. It looked kind of crazy."

That's not surprising considering where he came from. Olshansky was born in Dnipropetrovsk, Ukraine, an industrial city known more as a destination of American men seeking brides than it is for football.

He came to the United States when he was 7. Growing up in San Francisco, Olshansky played basketball and boxed — sports more familiar to Eastern Europeans.

"How many Igors do you

know in the NFL? You find them in hockey and a few in basketball or maybe soccer. In the NFL? I don't think so," said Tringali, who coached Hall of Fame quarterback Dan Fouts at the same high school, St. Ignatius, but retired before Olshansky started there.

"He was very raw," Tringali added. "But he learned football. Football is not a rocket science. There's something about this kid. He's destined for greatness."

Professional football wasn't exactly what Alexandra Olshansky had in mind for her son — she would have preferred he go into medicine — but she has accepted that his passion is sports, even if she and her husband don't understand football.

At least the fans at Oregon made it easy for them to know when their son was successful. After almost every tackle, chants of "I-gor! I-gor!" rang out in Autzen Stadium. "They knew that I had made a big play whenever they heard my name," he said.

The personable Olshansky — fluent in English and Russian — ate up the attention, talking back and gesturing to the fans to fire them up.

Olshansky heard his name quite a bit last season. He had 58 tackles, including 15 for losses and 6 1/2 sacks, on the way to being named the Ducks' top defensive lineman for the second straight year.

Despite that, many questioned why he left early, saying

he could have been a high first-round pick had he stayed for his senior season. He was motivated by the chance to help his parents financially and the belief he could be a first-rounder already.

NFL draft consultant Gil Brandt sees tremendous long-term potential for a natural player who is still learning some of the ins and outs of football.

"You can always teach people to do things who have ability," Brandt said. "It's awfully

hard to teach someone to do things who don't have ability. When you have someone who is that size and who can run that fast, that in itself is a big plus."

Olshansky gets his strength from his grandfather, a World War II hero wounded 11 times in battle.

Now 6-5 and 315 pounds, Olshansky wowed NFL teams with his impressive pre-draft workouts. He had a vertical jump of 33 1/2 inches and ran a 40-yard dash in under 5 seconds. But where he really shined was the strength drills.

After bench-pressing 225 pounds 41 times at the NFL combine — one short of Isaac Sopoaga of Hawaii and four shy of a record — Olshansky wouldn't be outdone at Oregon's pro day.

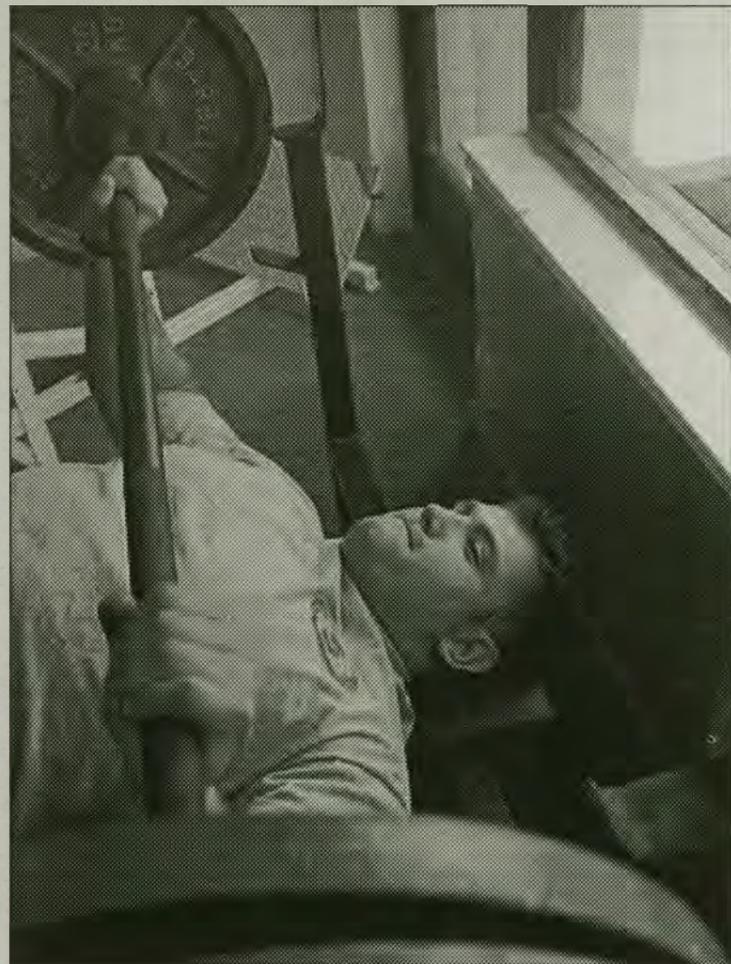
With his father looking on, and a legion of scouts and his

"There are a lot of big, strong, fast kids out there, but a lot aren't playing football or can't play football. I can also play. I make plays."

Igor Olshansky
NFL draft prospect

"He was very raw, but he learned football. Football is not a rocket science. There's something about this kid. He's destined for greatness."

Vince Tringali
football coach



Former Oregon defensive end and Ukraine native lineman Igor Olshansky works out in his gym to prepare for the NFL Draft.

teammates counting each rep, Olshansky recorded 43 lifts at 225 pounds. Now some project Olshansky as a first- or second-rounder. He had visits with Kansas City, Dallas, Jacksonville and San Francisco scheduled before the draft.

"I wasn't even on the radar," he said. "When I declared,

everyone said I'd probably be a third- or fourth-round pick. I don't think they really looked at my game film and realized my abilities.

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NFL

Warner leaving is not a certainty

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — St. Louis Rams' coach Mike Martz said Wednesday that Kurt Warner's agent overreacted to a conversation he had with the quarterback, and emphasized there's still a chance the two-time MVP could stay with the team.

Martz characterized his conversation with Warner on Monday as a necessary "first step" in the process after he decided to go with Marc Bulger as his quarterback for next season. He said he had promised Warner and his agent, Mark Bartelstein, that he would inform him when he had made a decision.

"It was a very difficult conversation, the hardest one I've ever had with a player," Martz said. "He asked what his future was. I think from that point on it just kind of took on a life of its own."

Bartelstein said Tuesday his client expected to be released after June 1 and added he expected a lot of interest around the NFL in Warner.

On Wednesday, Bartelstein stood behind those words.

"I don't think I overreacted at all," Bartelstein said. "I represent the highest-rated quarterback in the history of the NFL, and he wants to play football, and the world doesn't wait for you."

"My job is to try to find him a new home."

Martz blamed himself for not making it clear to Warner, the NFL MVP in 1999 and 2001, that he still could be back. He also said he expects Warner to continue participating in offseason workouts and minicamps.

"I'm afraid in my discussions with Kurt that I got carried away and led him to believe this was it," Martz said.

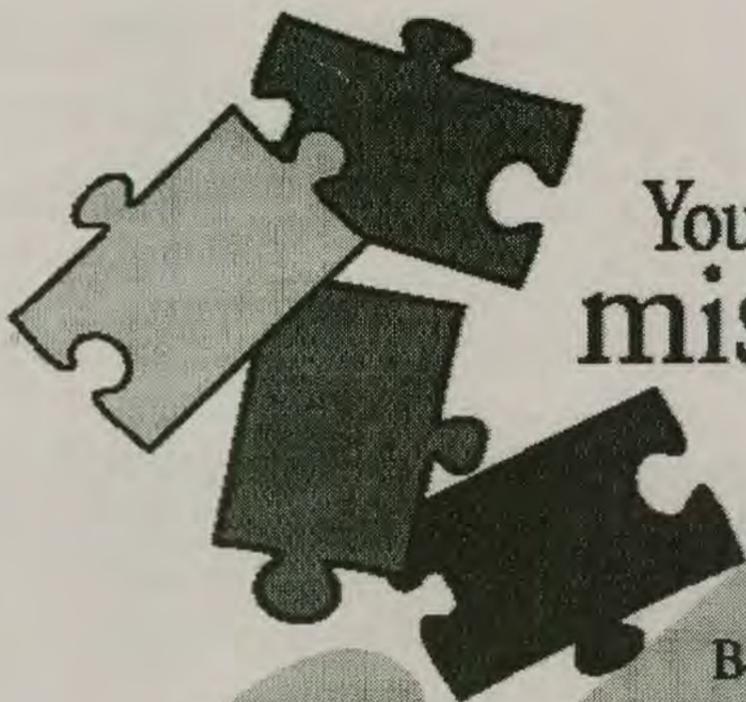
It's still likely that Warner will be released. But Martz reiterated that discussions on a long-term contract with Bulger could impact what happens. Any Bulger talks also could impact whether the Rams select a quarterback in the first round of the draft on Saturday.

Bulger has been a big success in one and one-half seasons as a starter with the Rams. He won his first six starts in 2002 and led the team to a 12-4 record and an NFC West championship last year, then was the MVP in the Pro Bowl.

Warner was the NFL MVP in 1999 and 2001, leading the team to the Super Bowl each year. But he had just three touchdown passes and 11 interceptions in an injury-plagued 2002 and lost his job after fumbling six times while sustaining a concussion in the opener last year.

Martz declined to discuss his reasoning for going with Bulger.

"There's a lot of things involved with that, a lot of factors, and I think that's something that's better left unsaid," Martz said. "Obviously, it took a great deal of time to come to that conclusion."



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NBA

O'Brien named Sixers head coach, Iverson will stay

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Jim O'Brien wanted to coach the Philadelphia 76ers — and Allen Iverson.

"When you're dealing with somebody like Allen, I really want to be as close to 100-percent sure as I possibly could that I'd be coaching him," O'Brien said.

O'Brien got his wish, and the Sixers have their new coach.

Sixers president Billy King reiterated Wednesday that he will not try to trade Iverson, a former league MVP and scoring champion who is signed through 2008-09.

"Allen will be here next year," King said.

So will O'Brien, the former Boston Celtics coach who was introduced Wednesday. He is Philadelphia's 20th head coach and the third to lead the 76ers since Hall of Famer Larry Brown stepped down last May. Brown, who spent six seasons in Philadelphia, is the coach of the Detroit Pistons.

King picked assistant Randy Ayers as Brown's successor, but he was fired 52 games into the season. Ayers was replaced by Chris Ford.

The Sixers missed the playoffs for the first time since the 1997-98 season. Ford will remain in the organization.

Iverson had several run-ins with Ford, most notably refus-

ing to come off the bench after being taken out of the starting lineup. Iverson also had a contentious relationship with Brown, but the two worked together despite several disputes.

O'Brien figures he'll have more success getting along with Iverson than his predecessors.

"I have never had difficulty leading people and having people understand the expectations that I have," O'Brien said. "I'm a fairly easy person to play for."

O'Brien, who said he had a brief and amicable conversation with Iverson on Wednesday, said whatever problems the All-Star had with previous coaches and management would stay in the past. He was comfortable that any residual issues were resolved while talking with King.

"We had open discussions about everything that happened last year," O'Brien said. "I'm satisfied that was then, and the future is the future. Clearly, what happened last year did not scare me from wanting to lead this team into next season."

Veterans Derrick Coleman, Glenn Robinson, Eric Snow and Aaron McKie might be made available through trades or the expansion draft.

O'Brien expects the Sixers to reach the playoffs as long as they remain healthy.

King said O'Brien was always

his first choice, and that he did not meet with any other potential candidates. King said he never asked Portland for permission to talk with coach Maurice Cheeks, a former Sixers' star.

King first met with O'Brien on March 25 in Boston and finalized the deal Monday, not wanting other teams to call O'Brien after the playoffs. O'Brien wanted to return to Philadelphia — not that he was waiting for the only other team with an interim coach to come calling.

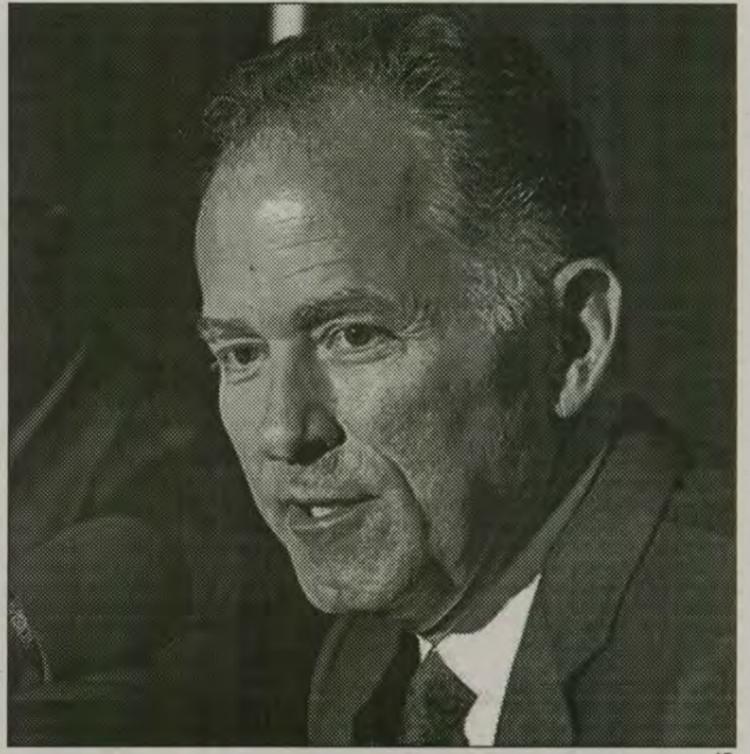
"Boston didn't want to hire me," he said, joking.

O'Brien stepped down as coach of the Celtics on Jan. 27, midway through his fourth season with the team after clashing with Danny Ainge, Boston's executive director of basketball operations. Ainge wanted to build a younger, more offensive team. O'Brien relied on veterans who were strong defenders.

O'Brien was 139-119 with the Celtics and led them to the Eastern Conference finals and semifinals in the last two seasons. He spent the last seven seasons with the Celtics, joining them as an assistant coach in 1997 and replacing Rick Pitino in 2001.

Assistant coach Dick Harter, a defensive specialist, was let go when O'Brien quit. O'Brien wants to hire Harter, though no deal has been finalized.

A Philadelphia native who



AP
Jim O'Brien, former Boston Celtics coach and the new coach of the Philadelphia 76ers, speaks to reporters Wednesday.

attended Roman Catholic High School, the 52-year-old O'Brien was a three-year starter at Saint Joseph's and is the son-in-law of former 76ers coach Jack Ramsay. He said he has fulfilled a childhood dream by becoming the coach. He now wants to achieve a professional goal — winning an NBA title with

Iverson on the roster.

"It's something I've been thinking about since I was about 8 years old, to get a chance to be a head coach in Philadelphia at the college or pro level — and it's come true," he said. "And I really want the opportunity to coach Allen Iverson."

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Major League Baseball

American League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Baltimore	8-4	.667	7-3	-
Boston	8-5	.615	6-4	.5
New York	7-7	.500	5-5	2.0
Tampa Bay	5-7	.417	4-6	3.0
Toronto	3-10	.291	3-7	5.5

American League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Minnesota	9-4	.692	7-3	-
Chicago	8-5	.615	7-3	1.0
Detroit	8-6	.571	4-6	1.5
Kansas City	5-8	.385	4-6	4.0
Cleveland	5-10	.333	3-7	5.0

American League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Oakland	8-6	.571	5-5	-
Anaheim	7-7	.500	4-6	1.0
Texas	7-7	.500	5-5	1.0
Seattle	6-8	.429	6-4	2.0

National League East

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Florida	9-4	.692	7-3	-
Atlanta	7-6	.538	5-5	2.0
New York	6-8	.429	4-6	3.5
Philadelphia	5-7	.417	4-6	3.5
Montreal	3-11	.214	2-8	6.5

National League Central

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Houston	9-5	.643	7-3	-
Cincinnati	8-5	.615	6-4	.5
Chicago	8-6	.571	6-4	1.0
Pittsburgh	7-6	.538	5-5	1.5
St. Louis	7-7	.500	6-4	2.0
Milwaukee	7-8	.467	4-6	2.5

National League West

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Los Angeles	9-4	.692	7-3	-
San Diego	7-7	.500	5-5	2.5
Colorado	6-7	.462	5-5	3.0
San Francisco	6-8	.429	4-6	3.5
Arizona	4-9	.308	2-8	6.0

Women's Lacrosse Top 15

	team	record	points
1	Princeton	13-0	300
2	Maryland	12-2	281
3	Georgetown	9-2	255
4	Virginia	12-3	250
5	Loyola	12-2	239
6	NOTRE DAME	10-2	235
7	Duke	10-4	223
8	James Madison	11-3	197
9	Johns Hopkins	11-2	166
10	Vanderbilt	9-3	157
11	Northwestern	10-1	153
12	Dartmouth	8-2	141
13	Syracuse	9-3	124
14	Yale	8-4	100
15	UNC	8-6	94

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New York (AL) at Chicago (AL),
7:05 p.m., WGN
Atlanta at Cincinnati, 11:35 a.m., TBS

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New Jersey at New York, 6 p.m., TNT
San Antonio at Memphis, 8:30 p.m., TNT

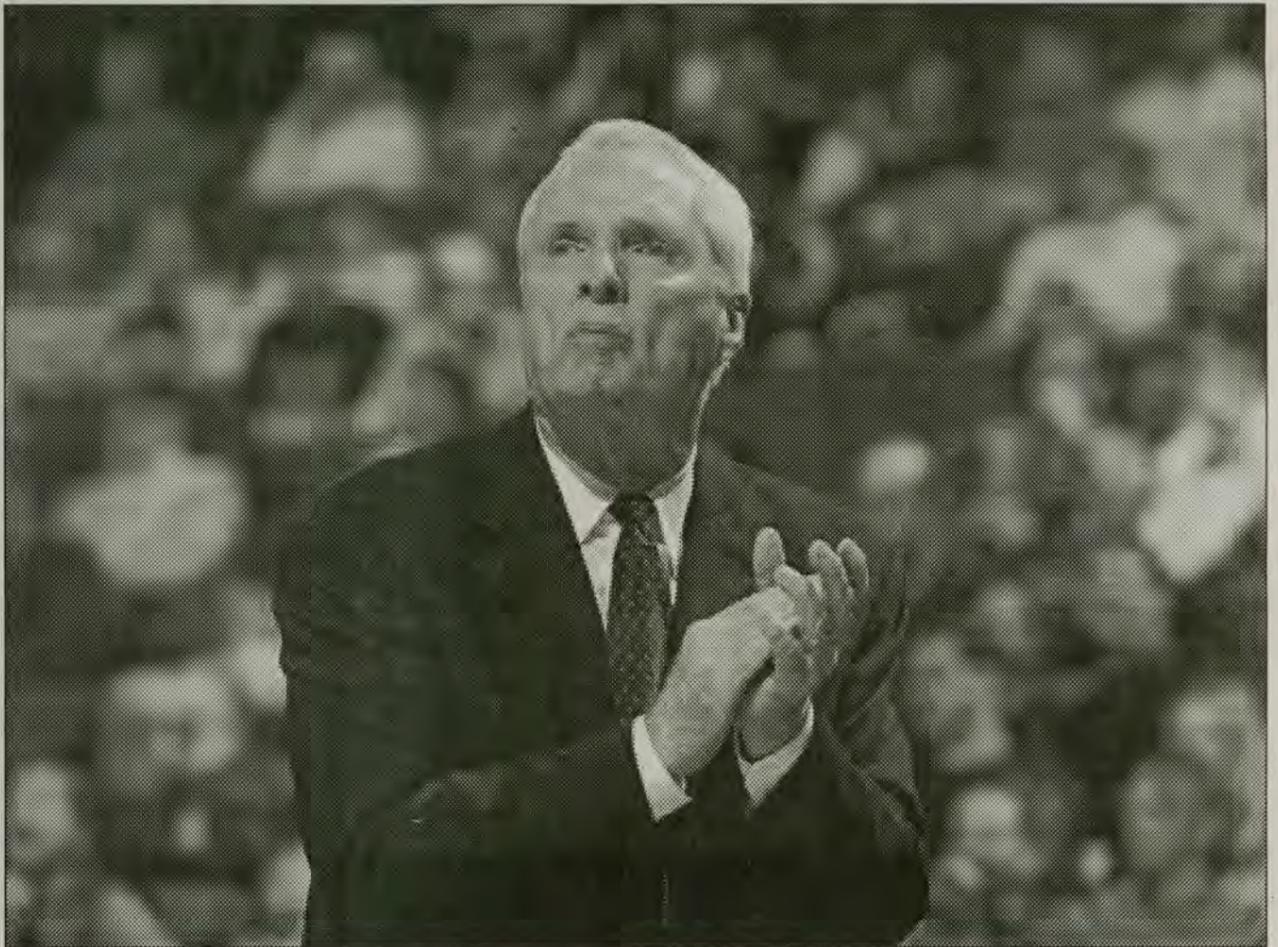
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Calgary at Detroit, 6:30 p.m., ESPN
Toronto at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m., ESPN2
Colorado at San Jose, 9:30 p.m., ESPN2

GOLF

Round One: Shell Houston Open,
3:00 p.m., USA

NBA



Hubie Brown earned NBA Coach of the Year honors on Wednesday. Brown, who is the oldest coach in the league, took the Memphis Grizzlies to the NBA playoffs for the first time in franchise history.

Brown wins NBA Coach of the Year

Associated Press

MEMPHIS — Hubie Brown answered a question about Memphis' first pro basketball playoff game by detailing how his Kentucky Colonels won the ABA title in 1975.

He listed the St. Louis roster and pointing out that 72 of 79 players won NBA jobs after the leagues merged.

Jerry West listened, then said: "I can't remember yesterday. How do you remember that?"

"When you're old, you just talk," Brown said. "I take advantage of the fact that you're being charita-

ble."

Brown at 70, the oldest coach in the league had plenty to talk about Wednesday after winning the NBA Coach of the Year award for leading the Memphis Grizzlies to a team-record 50 wins and their first playoff berth.

He beat Utah's Jerry Sloan in a close race with 466 points, including 62 of 122 first-place votes from a panel of sports writers and sportscasters.

The award marks a 26-year span between victories for Brown, who also was honored as the top coach in the 1977-78 season with Atlanta. Gene Shue won 13 years apart,

with Baltimore (1969) and Washington (1982).

"Here we are 26 years later, and he wins another one," said West, the Grizzlies' president of basketball operations.

West heard plenty of criticism when he hired Brown in November 2002. He couldn't stop smiling as he presented his coach with the award at a news conference after the Grizzlies' practice. He called Brown the best coach he has been around.

"We don't even have close to a perfect team here, and he's been able to hide some of our weaknesses," West said.

Brown said the award must be shared with owner Michael Heisley, the Grizzlies and especially West, whose call came after Brown was demoted by television executives who thought he was too old to connect with the NBA's younger viewers.

"This guy, the guy holding the door, gave me the opportunity to have a little more bounce in my step," Brown said.

Sloan got 424 points, with 56 top votes. Milwaukee's Terry Porter and Miami's Stan Van Gundy, both rookie head coaches, tied for third with 54 points and one first-place vote each.

IN BRIEF

Sharpe returning to Denver for another season

DENVER — Tight end Shannon Sharpe will return to the Denver Broncos for at least one more season.

"Shannon called Coach [Mike] Shanahan a few days ago and confirmed that with him," Broncos spokesman Jim Saccomano said Wednesday.

After completing his 14th season, Sharpe said in January he might retire and planned on announcing his decision before this weekend's draft so the team would know whether to look for a replacement.

Sharpe is the NFL's career leader in receptions (815) and yards (10,060) at his position, and last season he passed Jerry Smith for most touchdowns with 62.

A seven-time Pro Bowl selection, Sharpe has won three Super Bowls two with Denver, another with Baltimore. He was part of an NFL record 12 straight playoff wins from

1997-01.

Last season, the 35-year-old Sharpe caught 62 passes for 770 yards and eight touchdowns, second in the AFC to Kansas City's Tony Gonzalez.

Closing arguments in Williams' trial postponed

SOMERVILLE, N.J. — Closing arguments in the manslaughter trial of former NBA star Jayson Williams have been postponed until Monday due to the illness of a prosecution lawyer.

Superior Court Judge Edward M. Coleman told lawyers in the case Wednesday that he anticipates giving instructions to the jury on Tuesday morning, after which deliberations would begin.

Coleman had set summations for Thursday, but said he was postponing them because Assistant Hunterdon County Prosecutor Katharine Errickson was ill.

Williams is charged in the shooting death of a hired driver at his Hunterdon County mansion on Feb.

14, 2002.

Summerall released from hospital after transplant

JACKSONVILLE — Broadcaster Pat Summerall was released Wednesday from St. Luke's Hospital, where he received a liver transplant earlier this month.

Summerall will remain in the Jacksonville area for several weeks for outpatient care until his doctors clear him to return home to Texas, the hospital said in a statement.

The 73-year-old former NFL kicker received a new liver on April 10. A recovering alcoholic, Summerall qualified for a transplant through blood tests that rank potential recipients anonymously.

Summerall played in the NFL from 1952-61 before becoming a broadcaster for the next 40 years. He teamed with John Madden to call Fox's lead game from 1994-01. The two called eight Super Bowls together; Summerall has called 16.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish fall to Boilermakers

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

The Irish have seen better days. Earlier this season, No. 27 Notre Dame (10-10) jumped to a 7-1 record, defeating regional rivals Ohio State, Wisconsin and Indiana. But Wednesday, the team fell 4-3 to No. 61 Purdue in a close meet.

Due to variable weather conditions and 25 mile per hour winds, the matches were moved indoors. This change of plans proved problematic for the Irish.

"The courts were a big factor today," freshman Christian Thompson said. "Two of the courts were slower than the rest and the ball skidded on some of the courts."

The Irish were ahead early in the meet, taking a 3-0 lead. Rallying from behind, the Boilermakers claimed wins in four singles matches at Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 6 to come out on top. This is the fourth 4-3 loss of the season for the Irish.

"It's the end of the season and I think we're really lacking confidence after the heart-breaking losses," Thompson said. "It's frustrating because we have so much talent. Everyone just needs to realize how talented they are, and that comes from within. If we can do that, then I think we'll have a good end of the year."

Notre Dame nearly swept doubles, triumphing at No. 1 and No. 2. No. 44 Catrina and Christian Thompson were first to walk off the courts with a win against Gretchen Haynor and Melissa Woods, 8-2, at No. 1. At No. 2 doubles, senior Alicia Salas and sophomore Lauren Connelly clinched the doubles point, outlasting Shawna Zuccarini and Hala Sufi 9-8 (7-4). Lara Bugarello and Alyssa Rodriguez defeated junior Sarah Jane Connelly and senior Emily Neighbours 8-6 at No. 3.

In singles, the Thompson twins posted points quickly at Nos. 2 and 3, both overcoming their opponents in about an hour's time. Christian Thompson prevailed over Haynor 6-2, 6-0 at No. 2, recording wins in 10 straight games to complete the match. Catrina Thompson bested Amy Walgenbach 6-2, 6-1 to contribute the third point of the match to the Irish effort.

Purdue registered wins in the next four singles matches to win. At No. 1, Sufi triumphed over No. 19 Salas in three sets 6-2, 0-6, 6-0. Sufi proved to be a strong competitor, according to Christian Thompson.

"The girl playing [Salas] hit the ball like she was hitting a baseball," Thompson said.

Rodriguez contributed a win at No. 4 versus Lauren Connelly 6-2, 6-3 and Zuccarini beat sophomore Kiki



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Senior Alicia Salas hits a forehand in the February match against Wisconsin.

Stastny 6-3, 6-4 at No. 5 to tie the score of the meet 3-3.

The final match lasted for more than an hour, with Woods clinching the win for the Boilermakers 6-2, 5-7, 7-6 (7-1).

"[Connelly] played a really well, but towards the end, the girl really fought back and kept slicing it," Catrina Thompson said.

This was the final meet of the regular season for Notre Dame. The team will return to the courts for the Big East Tournament April 29-May 1.

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SMC SOFTBALL

Belles to face crucial games for postseason

Today's game against MIAA conference foe Kalamazoo will decide postseason destiny

By JUSTIN STETZ
Sports Writer

Today's games against Kalamazoo College will decide whether or not the Belles advance into the conference tournament.

After dropping last night's game at Bethel 4-0, Saint Mary's is 15-18 on the year and 7-5 in the conference.

Currently fifth in the conference, the Belles must win both games at Kalamazoo, a team that hasn't won a conference game this season. Still, the Belles cannot afford to take the doubleheader for granted. Albion stands in fourth place and plays its final conference doubleheader this Saturday. Saint Mary's must avoid a tiebreaker because of a subpar overall record.

The Belles failed to score a run as the Royals gradually added to their lead Wednesday. Libby Wilhelmy and Kate Sajewich kept the Belles within striking distance, but the offense never capitalized.

Bethel went up 1-0 in the first inning as a double to center field scored the first run of the

game. Saint Mary's connected on a single off the bat of Marnie Walsh but stranded her on second, unable to bring in the run.

The Royals added another in the second after a costly error helped them score. Saint Mary's could not respond and the score remained 2-0.

In the fourth inning, Sajewich replaced Wilhelmy on the mound only to give up Bethel's third run of the game; however, the damage could have been worse as Sajewich escaped a three-hit inning, still giving the Belles a chance.

The last run came in the sixth on a sacrifice bunt putting Bethel up 4-0. Angie Ellison singled with two outs in the bottom of the inning, but the end result was the same without any runs being scored.

Saint Mary's finished the game with three hits and one error.

Today's final doubleheader will determine the rest of the season for the Belles. If the team wins both contests, Saint Mary's will await the outcome of the Albion-Hope game this weekend.

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16. The team includes five seniors.

"We made it to the final eight last year and I feel like we've come together more as a team heading into this game," Choc captain Gregg Michaels said. "We've played against Platinum before, and we expect an intense game."

The Platinum FUBU All-stars played a physical game in the last round, pounding the ball inside and driving to the basket. They also remained patient, swinging the ball around a difficult 2-3 zone, and their opponent fell into foul trouble for almost the

entire first half.

The All-stars, who began the tournament seeded No. 12 and were reseeded a spot higher for the round of sixteen, are excited about the chance to advance even further in the tournament.

"We feel privileged to play in the world's greatest outdoor spectacle," Platinum team member John Rompf said. "It has been an honor to have made it this far and have the opportunity to play with some of the best competition."

No. 5 Jack's Shorts vs. No. 12 Reddick Wanna-Be's

After a string of convincing wins, the Reddick Wanna-Be's feel confident going into the round of 16. So far, the team has won all of its games by at

least seven points.

"We haven't really had any down to the wire games yet," Reddick captain Ryan Conner said. "We've improved from last year and the game should be fun with all the crowd support."

Jack's Shorts originally was No.7 but has moved up to No.5 after strong play in its previous games.

No. 4 Jordan Toyota vs. No. 13 More Cowbell

With relatively easy wins in their past games, Jordan Toyota is confident heading into the round of 16. They also believe they are a much stronger team this year than last, football players Rhema McKnight, Ronnie Rodamer and Jason Saap combine with the muscle of Joe McClyde and the poise of captain Daniel Boston to form a dominant starting five.

"We have a talented team this year with great fan support," Boston said.

"We feel like there has to be one winner and why can't we be that team," he said.

More Cowbell moved from No. 15 to No.13 after convincing wins in earlier rounds.

No.3 State Theatre vs. No. 14 Bend It Like Bryant

Bend it Like Bryant was originally ranked No. 29 but has moved up to No. 14 after a strong victory in the round of 32.

At No.3, State is looking to move into the finals but expects a close match. Forward Rich Whitney and a team of good shooters and scrappy defenders will look to



CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

A member of Clericuzlo drives to score a winning lay up in the round of 64.



CHUY BENITEZ/The Observer

Rhema McKnight takes a short jump shot for Jordan Toyota in the round of 64.

avoid an upset.

No. 2 Library Lounge vs. No. 15 Thor and the Thunderbolts

Library Lounge has been close to winning the championship before. This year, they figure it's time to get over the hump.

"We got upset last year in the Final Four, and with all our players back we are ready to build on that," Library captain Justin Funk said. "Our closest game has been 21-12 so far, and we want to keep that pace."

Thor and the Thunderbolts upset the No. 7 team in a very physical game to advance to the round of 16.

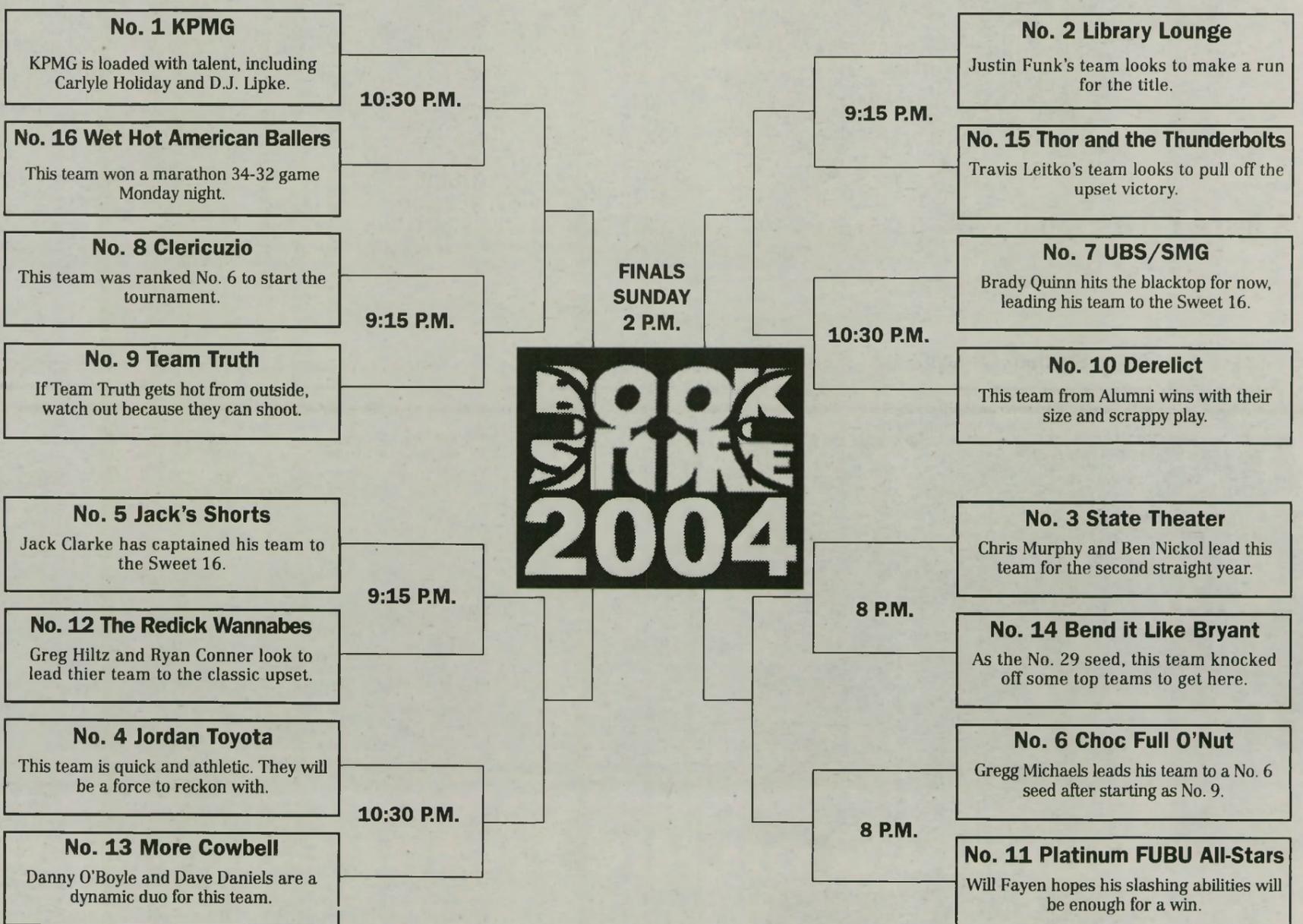
No. 1 KPMG vs. No. 16 Wet Hot American Ballers

KPGM has been the top-ranked team throughout the tournament and will face one of the only teams left not in the original top 32.

The Ballers will face a dominant KPGM team, a team who lost tight end Jerome Collins to injury but picked up wide receiver Jeff Samardjiza in the round of 32. KPMG is led by shooting guard and captain Tommy Walz, slashing forward and place kicker D.J. Fitzpatrick and wide receiver Carlyle Holiday.

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THE SWEET 16



BASEBALL

Sisko proves to be more than a "fill-in" for Irish

Senior walk-on has become team leader while filling in for injured Steve Sollman, leads team with .385 average

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Senior Staff Writer

Hopefully for the Irish, nobody will tell second baseman Zach Sisko that he is only supposed to be filling in.

The senior walk-on, who before 2004 had played in just 23 games over three years with the Irish, has seen significant playing time filling in at second for Steve Sollmann, who broke his jaw in a game against Villanova April 3.

"I'm doing the best I can in the meantime while [Sollmann is] out," Sisko said. "I'm trying to make all the routine plays and

do whatever I can do to help out at the plate."

Recently, however, Sisko has done much more than that. In Notre Dame's three-game sweep of Georgetown last weekend, Sisko was 5-for-10, including a grand slam in Notre Dame's 9-6 win Sunday. Against Toledo Wednesday, Sisko recorded his first career four-hit game, going 4-for-5 at the plate.

Before this season, Sisko had just eight hits in his Notre Dame career. Right now — even though he has just 39 at bats on the season — Sisko is Notre Dame's team leader in hitting with a .385 average.

"I'm just seeing the ball really

well, just trying not to do too much," he said. "I just try to get some base hits up the middle."

Irish coach Paul Mainieri says he can't help but feel excited for the senior, who has toiled quietly in the shadows for four-years behind Sollmann.

"Zach Sisko is such a feel-good story, and it's really one of the joys you get in this game of coaching," Mainieri said. "This kid is probably the hardest working player on our team. He lives in those batting cages. He hasn't made all the trips, he hasn't played much in his career here, but he's not gotten discouraged."

"He's been a tremendous

teammate, and he will always do anything you ask him to do. Now all of a sudden, you need him, and you see that with a great attitude like [he has] how well he has done."

Being thrust into the spotlight following Sollmann's injury has been a pleasant change for Sisko. Before this year, he may have been more concerned with getting into medical school as a College of Arts and Letters pre-professional and history major than starting every game and making every road trip with the Irish.

"Well, it's second semester senior year, so it's not too much of a strain," Sisko said. "I'm trying to take care of school work,

and it's not too bad right now. But, I'm just trying to stay focused on baseball — getting to play every day, and getting enough sleep, and just being able to go out there and do the best I can."

"Zach Sisko is such a feel-good story, and it's really one of the joys you get in this game of coaching."

Paul Mainieri
Irish coach

But Sisko says that no matter how well he plays, he knows that Sollmann — who donned a uniform in the dugout Wednesday for the first time since his injury — will be the main

guy when he returns. "I'm not in any spot to replace Sollmann," Sisko said. "I just want to do the little things to help the team out."

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third inning before wind and heavy rain cancelled the remainder of the doubleheader. "I would have loved to have those games against Northwestern under our belt because we were really attack-

ing the ball," Gumpf said. "Even though we weren't able to play a game, it didn't mess up our rhythm because it was basically as good as a practice here at home."

Like Notre Dame, Illinois-Chicago had a scheduled doubleheader rained out on Tuesday. In their most recent action, the Flames swept Valparaiso by scores of 15-0 and 8-0 in a Monday double-

header. They also have won 13 of their last 14 games. Notre Dame's games against Northwestern were slated to be the beginning of a major road trip. After facing Illinois-Chicago today, Notre Dame will travel east to face Big East opponents Villanova and Rutgers in doubleheaders Saturday and Sunday, respectively. Villanova leads the Big East

with 18 points and a 9-3 conference record, while Notre Dame sits tied for second with 16 points at 8-0. The Wildcats have played four more games than the Irish at this point in the season, however. Gumpf sees today's games as an opportunity to tune up for one of its most important conference weekends. "Even though we're not over-looking Illinois-Chicago, we'd

still like to sort of use that game as batting practice for the Big East," Gumpf said. "We need to go out there and get the job done to prepare for our games against Villanova and Rutgers this weekend. "Those are two teams that can really come after us if we're not ready." **Contact Justin Schuver at jschuver@nd.edu**

Baseball

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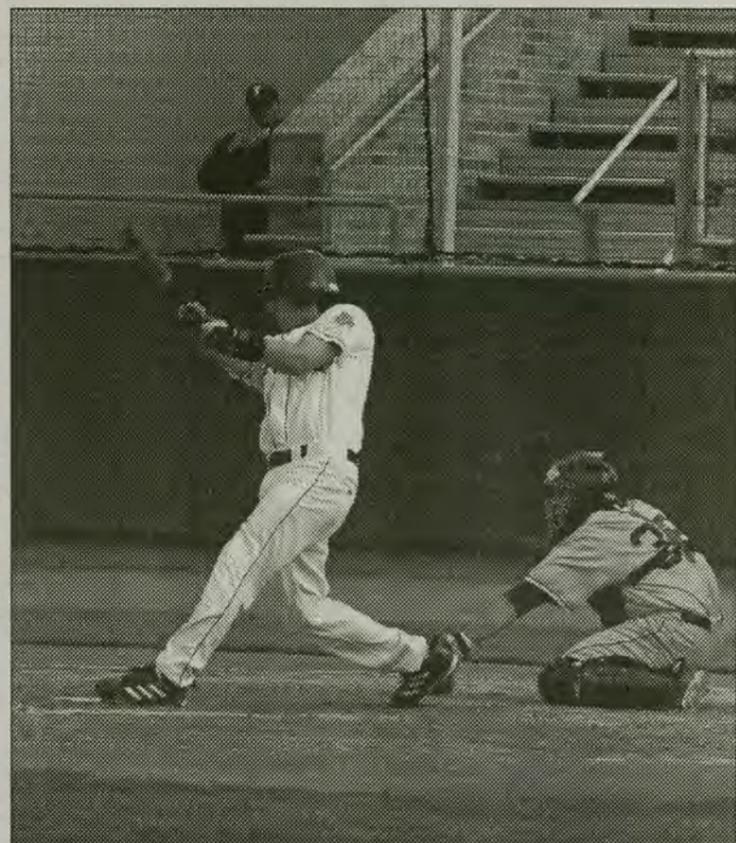
tonight," Mainieri said. "My biggest challenge was trying to get all the guys into the game that I wanted to. We got a lot of guys some work, and that was good." Freshman **J e s s Stewart** was the pitcher of record. Stewart started the contest and allowed three earned runs in four innings pitched to improve to 5-0 on the season.

"Cody Rizzo must have hit eight home runs in the fall games, and he hadn't hit any until today. I don't know if he got mad at me or not, but I challenged him a little bit today, and he got into one."

Paul Mainieri
Irish coach

pulled away further in the bottom half of the inning with a four-spot on the board for a five-run lead. The Irish started off the second inning with three straight singles from Sisko, Lopez — bringing Sisko home — and Dressman. Macri then hit a hot shot that was mishandled by the third baseman for an error, scoring **L o p e z**. Edwards then cleared the bases with his double off the wall in left center that came just short of clearing the fence. Toledo got within three runs with a two-run fourth inning, but that would be as close as the Rockets would get. Right fielder **Cody Rizzo**, who has struggled some at the plate recently and dropped a fly ball in Toledo's two-run fourth, got some atonement with a solo home run to left in the fifth

inning. The dinger was Rizzo's first of the season. "Cody Rizzo must have hit eight home runs in the fall games, and he hadn't hit any until today," Mainieri said. "I kind of challenged him a little bit before the game, because his RBI total was really not that great. ... I don't know if he got mad at me or not, but I challenged him a little bit today, and he got into one." The Irish added single runs in the sixth and seventh innings as well for the 9-3 win. Notre Dame will return to the field with a Big East doubleheader Friday against Seton Hall in South Orange, N.J. **Notes:** ♦ Two former Irish players returned to Frank Eck Stadium Wednesday, but they wore the opposing team's uniforms. **Cory Mee** — a 1992 graduate and former Academic All-American and later Irish baseball assistant coach — is now the head coach for Toledo. One of his assistants, **Mike Amrhein**, also played for the Irish and graduated in 1997. **Contact Chris Federico at cfederico@nd.edu**



Senior walk-on second baseman **Zach Sisko** has filled in for injured **Steve Sollman** by batting .385. MEG DAVISSON/The Observer

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

SMACH
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ELYSEP
RATHEG

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.

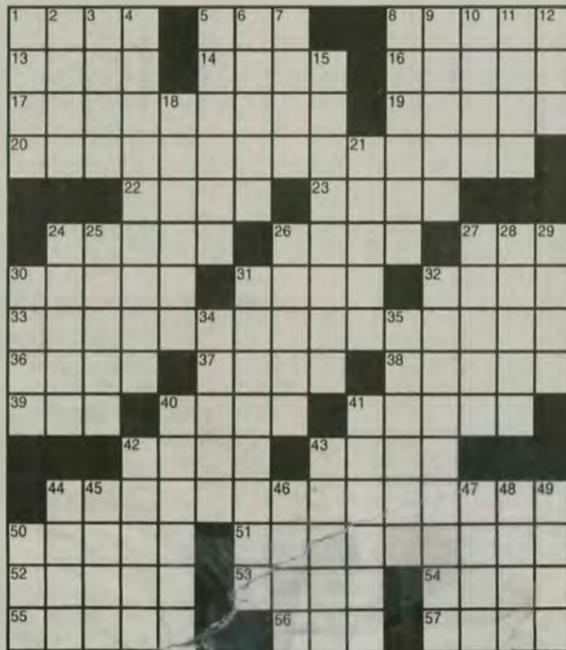
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Yesterday's Jumbles: TWEET TEASE RATION BECALM
Answer: What the patrons were left with when the sweet shop raised prices — A "BITTER" TASTE

CROSSWORD

WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS**
- 1 Marking on an old MIG
 - 5 Some degs.
 - 8 Item thrown on a barbecue
 - 13 Part
 - 14 ___ Vista
 - 16 Team subset
 - 17 Certain Protestant
 - 19 They get into jams
 - 20 Santa's wife?
 - 22 Lots
 - 23 Once-popular street liners
 - 24 Marina sight
 - 26 Architecture critic Huxtable and others
 - 27 I.C.U. test
 - 30 Library holding
 - 31 Inlets
 - 32 "The Egg ___"
 - 33 Utility's advice to an excavator?
 - 36 Yank, e.g.
 - 37 It comes from une tête
 - 38 Knife brand
 - 39 Bowl features, for short
 - 40 Kind of mark
 - 41 Western Australia's capital
 - 42 Round part
 - 43 Host
 - 44 Make attractive requests?
 - 50 Region famous for the blues
 - 51 Infinite
 - 52 Oil holder
 - 53 Miss. neighbor
 - 54 Writer Murdoch
- DOWN**
- 1 "Phooey!"
 - 2 Scoop holder
 - 3 Cut short
 - 4 Director of exercises, in brief
 - 5 "... And God Created Woman" star, 1956
 - 6 Unfamiliar
 - 7 Cartoonist Drake
 - 8 Whence the line "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet"
 - 9 Blues
 - 10 1984 Peace Nobel
 - 11 ___ Ski Valley (western resort)
 - 12 QB's gains
 - 15 Precede
 - 18 Pregame ritual
 - 21 Conflict
 - 24 Produce
 - 25 High points
 - 26 Broadcast
 - 27 Opposite of vote down
 - 28 Head of Hollywood
 - 29 1970's-80's singer Vannelli
 - 30 Group known for pranks, in short
 - 31 Steer elsewhere
 - 32 Showy bloom
 - 34 Cyclist
 - 35 Give a waiver
 - 40 Floral envelope parts
 - 41 "The Scarlet Letter" woman
 - 42 Digital data
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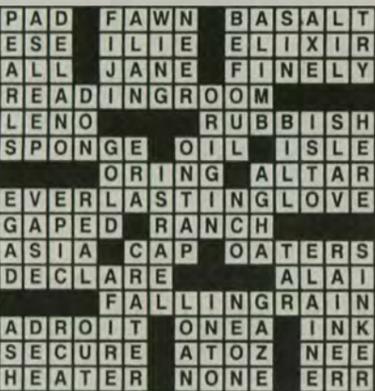


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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



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EUGENIA LAST

Celebrities born on this day: Jack Nicholson, Yehudi Menuhin, Glen Campbell, Peter Frampton, Aaron Spelling, Catherine Mary Stewart

Happy Birthday: It's time to simplify your life. Choose what you want to do and whom you want to spend time with. You must narrow your field a bit if you really want to make your mark. It's time to prioritize so that you can realize the dreams to which you have been aspiring. If you can balance your life, you will find success much easier to obtain. Your numbers: 12, 18, 22, 28, 29, 45

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't be too pushy with loved ones. Plan to do something special with family. Physical activity will help defuse your frustration. You need to keep busy if you want to avoid discord. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your stress level will be significant if you have overspent on lovers or taken on other people's responsibilities. Arguments will evolve if you are overly opinionated. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Social events will lead to romantic opportunities. Get involved in creative hobbies that will allow you to use your hands. Sports such as water-skiing or skating will be challenging. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't get your hopes up. Your lover is not likely to do what you want. You will be in the mood to nag. Try to contain your ugly side and keep busy with activities that bring you satisfaction. **

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't turn down opportunities to travel. You will learn through the experiences you encounter. Mix business with pleasure if at all possible. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Uncertainties regarding children may be upsetting. You must steer clear of individuals inclined to be overindulgent or escapist. You have to stand up for your rights. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): This is not the best day to visit relatives who get on your nerves. You will find that doing odd jobs around the house will be appreciated by the one you love. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Social activity should be on your agenda. New relationships will develop due to your outgoing nature. Be ready for adventure and travel if the opportunity arises. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Children will be confused. Take the time to help them with their dilemma. Don't overspend on entertainment. Try to curb your habits. You can have fun without overspending. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Pamper yourself. Physical changes will be well-received. Fitness programs will help you keep in shape and introduce you to new friends and partners. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Expect some friction in your home. You must stand up for your rights. Make changes to your living arrangements. You need some space to yourself. Don't let anyone take advantage of you. ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't spend too much on entertainment or cosmetic improvements. Be innovative and find ways to get the same results for the least amount of cash. ***

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BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXIII

Round of 16 features 13 ranked teams

By STEVE COYER
Sports Writer

With the Bookstore Basketball field filed down from 580 teams to 16, the situation is starting to get much more familiar for the remaining competition.

Of the top 15 ranked teams, 13 remain in the tournament. And many of those teams have already faced their upcoming opponents in previous games.

No. 8 Clericuzio will take on No. 9 Team Truth in the round

of 16, but neither team is expecting too many surprises.

"We definitely know those guys," Team Truth captain Carlos Campbell said. "We've played against them many times at Rolfs, and we know it's going to be a grudge match."

Team Truth has played through injuries so far but expects to be ready for their next game.

"We're coming back one-hundred percent for this game, so we should be at our best", Campbell said.

No. 7 You Got a Bad Draw vs. No. 10 Derelict

For team Derelict, the road to 16 has not been an easy one. The team has won three nail-biter close games so far, but they

believe they can win by a larger margin tonight. "We haven't reached our potential yet," Derelict captain Kevin McNamara said. "We made it the round of 16 last year, and if we play tough defense we should be even better this year."

You Got a Bad Draw, on the other hand, has been dominant so far despite injuries. They had an easy 21-12 victory in their last game even while playing with two replacements.

No. 6 Choc Full O'Nuts vs. No. 11 Platinum FUBU All-Stars

Choc Full O'Nuts is anything but intimidated about their upcoming game. This will be their third trip to the round of

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CLEMENT SUHENDRA/The Observer

Bookstore Basketball is becoming more competitive as top seeds begin to meet in the later rounds.

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BASEBALL

Infielders blow up against Rockets



MEG DAVISSON/The Observer

An Irish outfielder fields a base hit on the hop in a recent game. Notre Dame defeated Toledo, 9-3, Wednesday.

Macri involved in seven of team's nine runs in the victory

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Senior Staff Writer

It was a big night for the Irish infielders as No. 4 Notre Dame (31-5) cruised to a 9-3 victory over Toledo (10-24).

Third baseman Matt Macri was 3-for-5 at the plate and had his hand in seven of Notre Dame's nine runs with 5 RBIs and two runs scored. Second baseman Zach

Sisko, playing in place of the injured Steve Sollmann, had his first career four-hit day, and the four Notre Dame infielders combined to go 10-for-18 at the plate with eight RBIs and five runs scored.

First baseman Matt Edwards was 2-for-4 with a two-run double, while shortstop Greg Lopez was 1-for-4 with an RBI single.

After Tuesday's game with Purdue was rained out, Irish coach Paul Mainieri had a full battery of arms in the bullpen, and the Irish skipper tried to work them all, as seven hurlers saw the mound for Notre Dame against the Rockets.

"As it turns out, because we didn't play [Tuesday], we had a little bit of pitching depth for

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ND SOFTBALL

Irish seek payback on Flames

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Two days after a rainout, the Irish hope that lightning doesn't strike twice for the Illinois-Chicago Flames.

Following a rainout Tuesday that cancelled two games against Northwestern, the Irish (34-13) travel to Illinois today to face the Flames (24-19) in a one-game series. Illinois-Chicago knocked off the Irish 4-3 in 10 innings April 15 at Ivy Field.

"[Illinois-Chicago] came in here and they got the job done." Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf said. "With a team like that you can't keep them in the ballgame. You have to put them away early. We have to play great tomorrow and show that we are the better team."

The Irish did not follow that formula in their previous meeting with the Flames. Notre Dame took an early 2-0 lead but could not add to it late, allowing the Flames to battle back for the victory.

Although Notre Dame was unable to play a full game Tuesday, the Irish were still able to take some positives from their trip to Northwestern. Notre Dame was up 3-1 in the

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FOOTBALL

Coach's threatener pleads innocent

Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — A Florida man pleaded innocent Wednesday in federal court to making a threat against Notre Dame football coach Tyrone Willingham.

Andrew French, 24, of Fort Myers, Fla., faces up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine if convicted on a charge of interstate transmission of a threat to injure. He is accused

of threatening Willingham late last year.

French declined comment when leaving court Wednesday. His lawyer, Robert Truitt, also declined comment.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Donald Schmid said Wednesday that French also threatened other sports figures, including Detroit Lions quarterback Joey Harrington and former UCLA basketball coach Steve Lavin. No charges

have been filed in those cases, Schmid said.

Lavin said Wednesday he was aware of two threats against him while he was still a coach at UCLA, but wasn't sure whether either of them was allegedly made by French.

"If they're saying that, I'm sure they are right," he said.

A telephone message seeking comment was left Wednesday afternoon for Harrington's agent, David Dunn.



AP

Coach Tyrone Willingham has an angry fan.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

**Purdue 4
Notre Dame 3**

The No. 27 Irish dropped a tough match to the No. 61 Boilermakers.

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**Saint Mary's at
Kalamazoo**

The doubleheader against the last-place MIAA team will determine the Belles' postseason standing.

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NFL

**Ukrainian could
surprise in draft**

Igor Olshansky would become the first Soviet Union native to play in the NFL.

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**Bryant denied
access to records**

Kobe Bryant's defense team may not use medical records of the 19-year old victim.

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Mike Lowell homered three times as Florida stole a 12-inning slugfest on the road.

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