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SMC sets new residency requirement

By KATIE KOHLER
Assistant News Editor

The President's Cabinet announced a resolution at Tuesday's Board of Governance (BOG) meeting that will require Saint Mary's students to live on campus for six semesters — a change that will go into effect for the incoming class of 2011, but will not impact current students.

After several meetings, the President's Cabinet — an advisory council of eight high-ranking members of the administration, including College President Carol Ann Mooney and Acting

Vice President Jill Vihtelic — decided to solidify the identity of Saint Mary's residential life.

"The President's Cabinet made the decision to clarify its position on what a residential college should be by clarifying the residential requirement for our college," said Vice President of Student Affairs Karen Johnson, a member of the Cabinet.

The residency program will have exceptions for transfer students and students abroad, as well as local students. Those who permanently reside within a 30-mile radius and choose to live at home will not be subjected to the requirements.

Prior to the passing of the res-

olution, Saint Mary's had no residential requirements for its students.

Johnson said residential life is an important aspect of the college experience and encouraging it formally will be a positive change for Saint Mary's.

"Students who are active participants in the college environment, and who live on campus, have been shown to be more successful — both academically and co-curricularly," she said. "Students who are engaged in their campus community are more engaged in their academic life."

Since the resolution does not affect the current student popu-

lation, Johnson said no student input was taken into consideration during the decision-making process.

Student board members at Tuesday's BOG meeting did not greet the decision warmly after Johnson announced the Cabinet's resolution.

BOG admissions commissioner, junior Annie Davis, said the imposition would not be well received by the student body.

"I completely agree with the notion that the residence halls are a large part of the college experience," she said. "I would encourage students to stay on

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Officials defend staff effort

Affleck-Graves says leaks are preventable

By JOHN-PAUL WITT
News Writer

Already this semester, the University has experienced flooding in dorms, flooding in the library and a gas leak that forced seven evacuations — not all of which were caused by the severe cold or were even preventable, University Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves said Wednesday.

Affleck-Graves, who is responsible for the Department of Facilities Operations, credited the department with adequately preparing the campus for the winter season. He said "none of the problems on campus" were caused by failures in prevention.

Vice President for Business Operations James Lyphout also said preventative maintenance was not the issue.

"[I am] not aware of any ways to improve [the University's] winter weather preparations," he said.

In terms of preventative maintenance, the pipes and irrigation systems are flushed before winter, and rooms are checked during break to ensure all windows are secured.

Lyphout said pipes burst in Keough Hall on Feb. 4 and 5

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Students 'touch tiny lives' in Lesotho



Freshman Brian Towle stands with a Lesotho child during one of his service trips to Sub-Saharan Africa with the Touching Tiny Lives Foundation. Photo courtesy of Meg Towle

Senior co-founds organization to aid Africans in fight against HIV/AIDS

By JENN METZ
News Writer

Though not an official Notre Dame endeavor, the Touching Tiny Lives Foundation (TTLF), a non-for-profit organization dedicated to the fight against HIV/AIDS in Africa, is deeply rooted in the spirit of the school and its students.

Founded in August 2005, the foundation's main function is to support the larger Touching Tiny Lives (TTL) organization in Lesotho. ND graduate Ken Storen started TTL in the summer of 2004 while he lived in the Sub-Saharan

country.

During his time in Lesotho, Storen regularly took children into his home, making it the headquarters for a safe home and outreach program. After helping a single sick child, TTL has grown into a coalition that helps up to 90 children at a time in Lesotho, home of the world's third-largest HIV/AIDS prevalence rates.

TTLF, headquartered in Leawood, Kansas, supports TTL through funding, medical equipment and research.

Notre Dame senior Megan Towle was one of

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Health Services offers cervical cancer vaccine

By KATE ANTONACCI
News Editor

The commercials show women — healthy, strong, young women — vowing to be "one less life affected by cervical cancer."

To be "one less," the women's answer is Gardasil, the first cervical cancer vaccine to be approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

Since Gardasil's approval on June 8, the "1 Less" ads have been encouraging women between ages 9 and 26 to ask their doctor about the vaccine. Some women at Notre Dame have done just that, beginning the three-shot-regimen that is available at University Health Services.

"We have to be concerned with the prevention of illness," said

Ann Kleva, director of University Health Services. "Cervical cancer is life-threatening."

Looking to lower the number of deaths by cervical cancer — which currently hover around 4,000 women per year in the U.S. — the pharmaceutical company Merck and Co. manufactured a vaccine protecting against types 6, 11, 16 and 18 of the virus known as human papillomavirus, or HPV. Of those types, 16 and 18 are the ones that cause 70 percent of the cervical cancer. Six and 11 cause 90 percent of genital warts, Kleva said.

"It's the first of its kind — an anti-viral that can prevent cancer," she said. "It is protection that's going to carry you into your life."

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STUDENT SENATE

Group debates election procedure

By KAITLYNN RIELY
Associate News Editor

Three days after the Student Senate met in a closed meeting to vote on the inconclusive run-off election for student body president, the Senate discussed changing the Student Union Constitution to ease senators' concerns about the fairness of the process.

"Nobody liked what had to happen over the past weekend," said Chris Hollon, chair of the Senate oversight committee. "I know a lot of you aren't happy with what went down."

The primary election for student body president and vice president was held Feb. 12, but no ticket received the 50 percent plus one vote needed to secure victory. Two tickets — Liz Brown with Maris Braun and Danny Smith with Ashley Weiss — continued on to a run-off

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Student body president Lizzi Shappell, right, and chief executive assistant Liz Brown listen during Wednesday's Senate meeting. CHRIS MASSAD/The Observer

INSIDE COLUMN

Farewell to "The OC"

I can still remember the agonizing wait freshman year. The need for the warm southern California sun, transmitted via FOX28, to counter the growing cold of northern Indiana winters. The campus positively buzzed on the eve of that first Thursday, the premiere delayed by the Fall Classic until November. It seems so long ago now, "That 70's Show" wrapping up on 24-hour lounge big screens across campus before "Previously on The OC..." carried everyone to Newport for the next hour.

Chris Wilson

Sports Wire Editor

Of course, by now you all know how this story ends. The second season wasn't nearly as good as the first, and the third season killed off any of the Trey-aided momentum by adding Jeri Ryan, Newport Union, a timeslot change and a month-long hiatus just to jar everyone out of a rhythm. They tried to appeal to fans by killing Marissa in the finale, but the viewership had dwindled to an irreparable point by then.

"The OC" dies tonight, burning off the remainder of the episodes for a shortened season that returned many of the charms of the successful first run, minus the audience. They got back to some of the things that worked so well at first, including putting the Sandy and Kirsten marriage back on a pedestal and realizing Autumn Reeser's deliciously adorable Taylor Townsend was the great supporting character so many others failed to be following Samaire Armstrong's heart-wrenching exit from the show so many Cotillions ago.

When you think about it, it's amazing "The OC" managed to thrive like it did. It's not like FOX is particularly adept at marketing anything that doesn't involve Ryan Seacrest, and so many primetime teen soaps have flopped in the years following "90210".

However, "The OC" powered forward, churning through storylines at such a reckless pace — no story arc lasted more than a month before it was time to move on — it doomed itself. The four-season survival is even more remarkable when you consider that one of the stars, Mischa Barton, most often resembled a sulking cardboard cutout as opposed to a leading lady, lacking the ability to make anyone around her any better and generally acting as if she were the secret love child of Vinny Chase and Ellen Pompeo.

So as "The OC" airs its final episode tonight to a minimal television audience, I'd like you to reflect on the great things it's achieved. First and foremost, without "The OC", there would be no "Laguna Beach," and I don't need to remind you that with no "Laguna," there's no "The Hills."

I wanted to write this to remind you that a dear old friend is on its deathbed, and tonight Phantom Planet's "California," the joy of so many freshman dorm parties, gets the last rites, so please turn yourself away from the beautiful hair of both Zach Braff and Patrick Dempsey to say goodbye one final time.

If you've chuckled at one Seth one-liner, admired Summer's fashion sense or respected how Sandy could solve any problem in front of him with the aid of his amazing eyebrows, the show has earned your attention for the last 60 minutes of its existence.

California, rest in peace.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE FACEBOOK GROUP?



Carlos Amaya
sophomore Alumni

"Mariachi Vergas de Tocatu Pepe."



Dennis Marion
junior off campus

"Kiss my fat ass. It's Tyra Banks' group."



Nicole Medina
freshman P.W.

"There's no effing way that paper beats rock."



Sean Fox
senior off campus

"The Q.P."



Stephanie Jazmines
freshman Lewis

"White boards on doors are for barbarians, Etch-a-Sketch is the future."



CHRIS MASSAD/The Observer

While temperatures in Indiana rise, Notre Dame snowmen shrink — like this pair on North Quad Wednesday.

IN BRIEF

The movie "Heading South" will be shown tonight at 7 in the Hesburgh Center auditorium. The showing is sponsored by the Haiti Working Group as part of Haiti Awareness Week.

The Career Center is holding an informational session about careers in writing or media communications tonight at 6:30 in the Notre Dame Room on the 2nd floor of LaFortune.

Opera soprano Laura Portune will give a lecture and recital tonight at 7 in the Annenberg Auditorium of the Snite Museum.

Legends presents its Brew and View film, "Man of the Year" tonight at 11:55. The movie stars Robin Williams as a comedian turned presidential candidate. The event is free to all ND, SMC and HCC students. ID is required.

Stations of the Cross will be held in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 7:15 p.m. Friday. Stations will be held at the Basilica each Friday during Lent.

The Fenians, an Irish band, will perform at Legends Friday at 10 p.m. to celebrate an early St. Patrick's Day.

Notre Dame ice hockey will play Ferris State at 7:35 p.m. Friday and at 7:05 p.m. Saturday at the Joyce Center.

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

OFFBEAT

Man uses sword to break up porn 'rape'

OCONOMOWOC, Wis. — A man says he broke into an apartment with a cavalry sword because he thought he heard a woman being raped, but the sound actually was from a pornographic movie his upstairs neighbor was watching.

"Now I feel stupid," said James Van Iveren, who has been charged in the case. "This really is nothing, nothing but a mistake."

According to a criminal complaint, the neighbor told police that Van Iveren pounded on the door and kicked it open without warning Feb. 12, damaging the frame and lock.

"Where is she?" Van Iveren demanded, thrusting the sword at the neighbor, the complaint said. "Where is she?"

The neighbor told police Van Iveren became increasingly aggressive as he repeated the question, insisting that he had heard a woman being raped. The complaint said that, with the sword pointed at him, the neighbor led Van Iveren throughout the apartment, opening closet doors to prove he was alone.

Texas residents get billion-dollar utility bills

WEATHERFORD, Texas — Some people in

Weatherford got billion-dollar scares this week after they opened their electric bills. Richard Redden's bill said he owed more than \$24 billion.

Pam Pearson, of Weatherford Electric, said a printing company made a mistake and nearly 1,400 customers received erroneous late notices.

Pearson said customers who received the inaccurate bills will get the correct ones later this month and won't face any late fees.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

	TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
LOCAL WEATHER						
	HIGH 35 LOW 22	HIGH 25 LOW 22	HIGH 37 LOW 25	HIGH 40 LOW 37	HIGH 50 LOW 25	HIGH 33 LOW 20

TTLF

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the co-founders of TTLF, and participated in the foundation's early efforts to receive approval from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and build public support.

"[TTLF] is an incredible organization," Towle said. "In two years, it has expanded its expertise and its scope in Lesotho and the United States."

Towle is the only student on the Board of Directors, which includes four ties to Notre Dame — alumni, law professors, parents and University President Emeritus Father

Theodore Hesburgh as honorary chair.

"The organization is very Notre Dame, but not officially Notre Dame," Towle added.

But she said she hopes this will change in the future as the University deepens its involvement in the project and adopts it as part of its Catholic mission.

She said the foundation has four strategic goals — providing children a safe home, serving as an outreach program, preventing mother-to-child transmission of HIV and offering academic research opportunities for students regarding the formation of partnerships with international non-governmental organizations.

The safe home provides shelter, nutrition, warmth, medical facilities and nurturing for as many as 20 children at a time. The outreach program provides nutritional, material, medical and social services to both children who have returned to their families after living in the TTL safe home and children whose families are unable to support their development without TTL's assistance, Towle said.

However, the main focus of her efforts with the foundation and with TTL in Lesotho is preventing mother-to-child HIV transmission. TTL seeks to reduce child infection rates and preventing mother-to-child transmission is a critical strategy for curbing the pan-

demic's impact in Lesotho, she said.

The program addresses the medical, social and material needs of local women and informs pregnant women about the risk of transmission. This type of education has been minimal in the region until recently, especially in rural villages, Towle said.

Towle visited Lesotho for about six weeks last summer through the Anthropology department. She spent most of her time at TTL, located in Mokhotlong, a remote, mountainous region in Lesotho — but she also worked for two weeks in Maseru, the capital city, in the largest pediatric HIV/AIDS center in Lesotho.

The Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program, through the College of Arts and Letters, funded the trip with a grant for research on mother-to-child HIV transmission, Towle said.

Support for the foundation also came after it was featured in the fall edition of Notre Dame Magazine, considerably popularizing TTLF's mission, she said. After the feature, many people contacted Towle and the foundation to find out how to organize fundraisers in their churches.

Challenges facing TTLF

The effort to stop the transmission of HIV/AIDS in Lesotho is a young one, Towle said.

The work at the foundation is still very "relational," she added.

"We're focusing on medical initiatives. We recently sent over 100 HIV test kits. There are materials we have heard that they don't have access to in Lesotho," she said.

Over the summer, TTLF sent an oxygen machine to TTL in Lesotho, along with other necessary medical equipment.

However, one of Towle's main goals is local, as she struggles to raise awareness in Notre Dame and spark interest around the crisis in Lesotho.

"It's definitely a crisis — people are dying — something like [TTL] is needed in the country," she said.

Students such as Towle's younger brother, freshman Brian Towle, however, have answered the call. He organized a fundraiser when he was in high school, raising \$30,000 for the African relief movement.

But to attack successfully the complex issues surrounding the transmission of HIV/AIDS, TTLF needs more than money to cover all facets of the HIV pandemic, she said. The foundation is already donating all of its profits to Lesotho — but the prevalence of the virus will require more support.

"We're starting at the end — children are already sick — and need to work to prevent more children from getting sick," Towle said, explaining TTL's efforts are not preventative actions but rather damage control.

In her campaign to bring students to the Lesotho relief projects, Towle also chairs the Academic Liaison Committee of the foundation, which helps to get Notre Dame students more involved. According to Towle, more students have been traveling to Lesotho and the foundation has "become a high profile organization on campus," active in any event that may relate to the African crisis.

TTLF volunteers like Towle and her brother had the opportunity to speak with Dr. Paul Farmer at the 2006 Notre Dame Forum, entitled "The Global Health Crisis: Creating Solutions, Forging Change."

Farmer's healthcare delivery foundation began efforts to prevent and treat HIV/AIDS in Lesotho during 2006.

"This is a very young, a very life-changing, a very Notre Dame effort," Towle said.

She encourages interested students to visit TTL's website, www.touchingtinylives.org, to learn more about stopping the HIV/AIDS crisis in Lesotho.

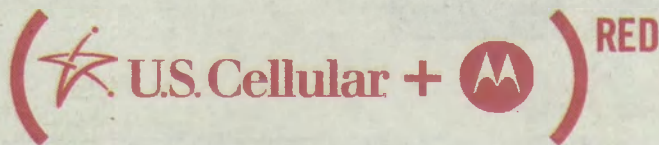
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because residence hall windows were left open.

"[This allowed] cold air to blow over heating coils that froze and broke, and allowed a piece of pipe and a sprinkler system to freeze," Lyphout said.

Affleck-Graves said better "education" of students is needed to prevent such incidents, because students can best ensure that proper precautions against the cold are taken.

"We almost always have one or two pipes burst a year," Affleck-Graves said. "The problem [with pipes] is that someone will open a window and then leave for a weekend, then the room gets below freezing. Adequate education is necessary for the students — students leave windows open."

An open window, however, did not cause a pipe to burst in the Hesburgh Library, Affleck-Graves said.

"We're still trying to understand the cause of the pipe bursting in the library," he said. "We couldn't have foreseen that happening."

Affleck-Graves said Notre Dame requires almost constant upkeep and it is impossible to prevent every maintenance issue that arises.

"We're not a [corporate] type place, where people come in eight hours a day — we're running a little village of ten thousand people living here twenty-four, seven," Affleck-Graves said.

Affleck-Graves was more concerned about the Feb. 12 gas leak that occurred while work was done on a broken water main.

"Things like pipes bursting happen — we can handle it. It's not a problem in the normal operations of the University," he said. "I worry most about the gas leak — about people getting hurt."

University spokesman Don Wycliff has said the gas leak posed no danger to students,

and Affleck-Graves and Lyphout both affirmed that it was the result of construction — not something that could have been prevented.

"The gas leak was the result of excavations to repair a buried water main," Lyphout said. "The gas pipe was accidentally hit with the backhoe."

Ultimately, Affleck-Graves said he is satisfied with the amount done to maintain Notre Dame's campus.

"We do seventy to one-hundred million dollars of construction a year here, and we do more work on preventative maintenance than most other schools," he said.

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campus for at least three years. However, I do not think that enforcing a rule such as this without the input of students is a good thing."

Davis said more student involvement in the decision-making process would have created more support from students for the College's decision.

"There are some things that students do not get a say in within the College, and that is completely understandable," she said. "Although this doesn't affect me, I feel as though, for the future of the school, this issue should be addressed by

the Board of Governance."

Davis said the resolution detracted from the positive aspects of living off-campus, which include fostering healthy relationships with neighbors and the local community.

"By moving off-campus, it creates better relationships with the South Bend community," she said. "This is something that Saint Mary's is proud of — we volunteer our time at numerous institutions and become involved with many people throughout the city. Neighborly relations are at the forefront for off-campus students."

While the idea currently seems unattractive, Davis said she is willing to learn more about the new policy.

"There are definitely benefits to both sides of the issue," she said. "Although, I will give credit to Karen Johnson for offering to sit down and talk with me about it."

Davis, who works closely with the admissions office, said the decision to keep students on campus through their junior year would scare away applicants.

Johnson said she did not think the residential program will deter students from attending Saint Mary's.

"The admissions staff has been involved and does not believe it will hurt our admission numbers," she said.

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Olmert exposes 'tough line' with Iran

JERUSALEM — Israel's prime minister spelled out a tough line Wednesday against Iran, Syria and an emerging Palestinian government, urging the international community to take a firmer stance against Tehran's nuclear ambitions and saying the Jewish state has no interest in talking to those who support violence.

Ehud Olmert also defended his much-criticized war in Lebanon and called Muslim complaints against Israeli construction near a Jerusalem holy site an attempt to stir up hatred.

Speaking at an annual news conference with foreign journalists, Olmert said his government would not do business with a Palestinian unity government that refuses to accept the conditions of the so-called Quartet of Mideast peace brokers: recognize Israel, renounce violence and accept past peace deals.

Soldier pleads guilty to rape, murder

FORT CAMPBELL — A military judge on Wednesday approved a second U.S. soldier's plea to the gang rape and murder of a 14-year-old Iraqi girl and the slaying of her family.

Sgt. Paul E. Cortez, 24, entered the plea Tuesday to four murders, rape and conspiracy to rape. With the approval of the plea agreement by Col. Stephen R. Henley, Cortez will avoid the death penalty.

In the plea agreement, read in court Tuesday, Cortez said he conspired with three other soldiers — Pfc. Jesse V. Spielman, Spc. James P. Barker and Steven D. Green, who has been discharged — to rape 14-year-old Abeer Qassim al-Janabi.

The March 2006 killing of the family was originally reported to be the work of insurgents. It was considered among the worst in a series of alleged atrocities by U.S. military personnel in Iraq.

NATIONAL NEWS

Scientists find no water on planets

WASHINGTON — Scientists taking their first "sniffs of air" from planets outside our solar system are a bit baffled by what they didn't find: water. One of the more basic assumptions of astronomy is that the two distant, hot gaseous planets they examined must contain water in their atmospheres.

The two suns the planets orbit closely have hydrogen and oxygen, the stable building blocks of water. These planets' atmospheres — examined for the first time using light spectra to determine the air's chemical composition — are supposed to be made up of the same thing, good old H₂O.

But when two different teams of astronomers used NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope for this new type of extrasolar planet research, they both came up dry, according to research published in Thursday's edition of *Nature* and the online version of the *Astrophysical Journal Letters*.

Teacher's murder tape revealed

TOMS RIVER, N.J. — A teacher who was killed nearly 11 years ago tried to talk a carjacker out of taking her life, even offering to help him get a job, according to a transcript of her secretly recorded pleas that was released Wednesday.

Michael LaSane, now 27, went on trial in the death of Kathleen Weinstein, 44, who secretly recorded the exchange before she was killed March 14, 1996. Her body was found with the tape in her pocket.

LOCAL NEWS

Derailed train causes diesel spill

GOSHEN — An eastbound Norfolk Southern train derailed Wednesday and struck the side of a westbound, causing diesel fuel to leak from the locomotives in northern Indiana, authorities said.

The Elkhart County hazardous material team was at the scene trying to contain the diesel fuel. Rudy Husband, a Norfolk Southern spokesman, said none of the railroad cars were leaking any hazardous materials.

Fourteen trains were derailed in the accident in Goshen, 25 miles southeast of South Bend. The cause wasn't immediately known, Husband said.

ENGLAND

Britain announces withdrawal plan

Blair declares gradual troop removal and eventual power turnover to Iraqis

Associated Press

LONDON — British troops have achieved many tangible successes in Iraq — securing oil platforms, rounding up rogue police units and driving smugglers carrying weapons and contraband from waterways and border crossings.

Now some of these tasks will be ceded to Iraqi troops for good.

Under proposals laid out by Prime Minister Tony Blair on Wednesday, Britain will withdraw about 1,600 troops from Iraq over the coming months and hopes to make other cuts to its 7,100-strong contingent by late summer.

British troops would likely stay in the southern Basra region until at least 2008, training local forces, working to secure the Iran-Iraq border and maintaining supply routes to U.S. and coalition troops in central Iraq, Blair told legislators.

Britain could further reduce its force level to below 5,000 once a base at Basra Palace is transferred to Iraqi control in late summer, the prime minister said.

"What all of this means is not that Basra is how we want it to be. But it does mean that the next chapter in Basra's history can be written by Iraqis," Blair said.

The announcement, on the same day Denmark said it would withdraw its 460 troops, comes as the U.S. is implementing an increase of 21,000 more troops for Iraq — putting Washington on an opposite track as its main coalition allies.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice played down the British pullback, saying it is consistent with the U.S. plan to turn over more control to Iraqi forces.

"The British have done



Prime Minister Tony Blair leaves 10 Downing St. on Wednesday. He revealed to the public his plan for 1,600 troops to begin leaving Iraq in the "coming months."

what is really the plan for the country as a whole, which is to transfer security responsibility to the Iraqis as the situation permits," Rice said. "The coalition remains intact and, in fact, the British still have thousands of troops deployed in Iraq."

British troops have performed many humanitarian tasks — helping open hundreds of schools, fitting hospitals with modern equipment and replacing leaky water pipes — but some say the real British legacy is likely to be a consolidation of Shiite control.

British forces already acquiesced to a "situation of quiet sectarian cleansing" in the south, said

Anthony Cordesman, an expert on Iraq at the Washington-based Center for Strategic and International Studies. The decision to pull out of Basra only underscored the political reality of Shiite primacy in the region, he said.

Rear Adm. Richard Cobbold, director of the military think tank Royal United Services Institute in London, said Britain's decision to pull back "needed to be made."

"I would admit that there is a sense of uncertainty, but things are not getting better with the British in Basra," he said. "The British are aggravating tensions by just being

there."

British troops have mounted recent operations against Shiite militia, most notably raiding a Basra police station in December that had been run by a rogue police squad and freeing 70 people held captive.

Some analysts fear a militia resurgence once British troops withdraw and warn Iran may attempt to step up its influence in the region.

Blair's official spokesman, on customary condition of anonymity in line with policy, acknowledged British officials "still believed Iranian supplied ordinance is coming across the border."

Jury convicts mother of child's murder

Associated Press

BATAVIA, Ohio — A jury on Wednesday convicted a woman of murder for causing the death of a 3-year-old foster son by leaving him bound in a cocoon of blankets and tape while she went away to a weekend family reunion.

Liz Carroll, 30, was convicted on seven counts, including involuntary manslaughter, kidnapping, felonious assault and three counts of child endangerment by the Clermont County jury. She faces from 15 years to life in prison when sentencing begins Thursday.

Carroll grimaced and dropped her head as the verdict was read. Carroll's

defense attorney, Gregory Cohen, said he would appeal.

"They don't even know my daughter! None of you even care!" her mother, Audrey Sims, shouted after the verdict.

Prosecutors said they charged Carroll with murder because she caused the death of her developmentally disabled son, Marcus Fiesel, by binding him and leaving him in a closet. They acknowledged, however, it was unintentional.

Carroll's husband, David Carroll Jr., 29, is to be tried separately in March on the same charges as his wife, along with gross abuse of a corpse. Prosecutors allege that he burned the boy's body and dumped the remains in the Ohio River.

The Carrolls told authorities the child

had wandered off or had been snatched from a park in suburban Cincinnati, sparking a search by thousands of volunteers that lasted several days. When authorities began to suspect the story was a ruse, the Carrolls' live-in companion, Amy Baker, told them how the boy died, prosecutors said.

The defense portrayed Carroll as quiet and submissive, and married to a violent bully.

Baker has not been charged, but acknowledged that she helped dispose of the child's body. Prosecutors agreed not to prosecute her in exchange for her testimony against the couple, unless evidence shows she had hands-on involvement in the boy's death.

Senate

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election Thursday. Again, neither candidate secured a clear majority so, in accordance with the constitution, the issue went to the Senate, where senators voted 15-13 in a closed meeting to elect the Brown-Braun ticket.

But a discrepancy in the wording of the constitution caused confusion at the closed meeting Sunday and led to approximately 45 minutes of discussion at the Senate meeting Wednesday.

There was confusion because the copy of the Constitution possessed by each senator said, in the section about election results, that senators could vote freely in the closed meeting. This section was mistakenly added to the constitution and was never voted into the document by past years' Senates, student body vice president and Student Senate chair Bill Andrichik told The Observer Sunday.

Senators were informed of the mix-up before Sunday's vote, and the correct version of the undergraduate student body elections section of the Constitution was distributed to the senators Wednesday. This version said the senators must vote according to the plurality of their constituency — their respective residence hall — unless there is a tie between candidates within the dorm.

But several senators said they did not agree with that version of the constitution.

Zahn Hall senator Luke Derheimer introduced an amendment to the constitution to allow each senator to freely cast his vote, rather than vote according to his hall's plurality. Since all amendments to the constitution must go through committee before they can be voted on in the Senate, no vote on the proposal took place, but discussion was allowed.

"I didn't like that we were in there [in the closed meeting] and we were forced to vote one way," Derheimer said.

Siegfried senator Jim Lockwood said he also felt as though the constitution infringed on his ability to vote as he wanted.

But other members of the Senate said senators should not have the right to vote freely in the closed meetings, because in many cases, including in this year's election, one or more of the candidates sit on the Senate.

"It comes down to a lot of personal relationships," said Josh Pasquesi, community relations chair.

Lyons Hall senator Mariana Montes said she was against the free vote as well, since it opens up the possibility of a senator befriending members of the Senate to further political agendas — such as runs for student body president.

Montes introduced a separate amendment change proposal to the Senate floor. Her version changed the abstention vote to a symbolic option that would not be included in the final tally of the vote, thereby making it easier for a ticket to get a majority and avoid bringing the issue to the Senate, Montes said.

Off-campus senator Mark Healy said he supported keeping the choice to abstain as an option in the preliminary election and runoff.

"If someone actually takes the time to go online and to vote and to vote for abstain, that is making a statement that they are willing to become involved in the student government process, but they are not content with the options they have," Healy said.

Alumni Hall senator Danny Smith, who ran for president and lost in the closed meeting vote,

agreed that abstentions should matter.

"If enough of the school is upset with the two candidates, I would like to see if the abstention vote can beat both candidates," he said.

Many senators agreed with the spirit of Montes' proposed amendment — that in the best case scenario, this decision should not be sent to Student Senate but should be decided in a popular student body election.

Andrichik limited discussion of the issue, since no vote would take place at the meeting, but Hollon invited any interested senators to attend a meeting of the Senate oversight committee to further discuss the issue.

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Vaccine

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Since August, "maybe 20 women" have gone to Health Services for the vaccine, Kleva said.

Gardasil was first available at Health Services in the fall after "a few parents called in July and August" to see if doses of the shots would be available for their daughters when the new semester started.

Because the three shots are given over six months — the first on any date, the second two months later and the third four months after the second shot — it was important to many parents and students that the later doses

be available if needed during the school year, Kleva said.

As of January, Health Services began keeping minimum doses available.

Though HPV is transmitted through either sexual intercourse or genital contact, Kleva said the vaccine is not about sexual activity.

"A lot of women have received this vaccination that aren't sexually active nor do they plan on being sexually active in the near future," Kleva said. "At this point in time, with the vaccine being so new, there are perceptions of why somebody would be taking it. The assumption is because of sexual activity. But we look at prevention of illness. We're not looking at behaviors."

Kleva said offering the vaccine

does not mean that pre-marital sex or "any type of behavior that is not supported by this University" is being supported, or is even happening among the women opting to receive the vaccine. Rather, she said, the availability shows concern about preventing a "very, very serious illness."

For those considering Gardasil, Kleva said Health Services provides education and allows "individuals to make up their own decisions" concerning this particular vaccine.

But at a pricey \$160 per injection, she said "everyone really needs to check with their insurance" before getting the injection.

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IN BRIEF

Security breach larger than thought

BOSTON — A computer security breach by a hacker who stole TJX Cos. customer data was broader than initially feared, and started 10 months earlier than first thought, the company said Wednesday.

But the parent of discount retail chains including T.J. Maxx and Marshalls also reported 5 percent sales growth during its fiscal fourth quarter, which ended just 10 days after the breach was disclosed Jan. 17.

Company executives said they saw no evidence of any exodus of customers from TJX's more than 2,400 stores after the data theft. Industry analysts agreed.

TJX initially believed the intrusion began in May 2006 and ran into last month. On Wednesday, the company said its ongoing investigation revealed the breach started nearly a year earlier, in July 2005.

Also, TJX said Wednesday that credit and debit card data had been accessed involving transactions at U.S. and Puerto Rican stores from January 2003 through June 2004, and credit card-only transactions at Canadian stores during that period. The company had initially been less certain, saying last month that information "may have been accessed."

Indiana banks merge in \$130 million deal

SOUTH BEND — First National Bank of Valparaiso and 1st Source Bank are planning to merge in a deal valued at \$130 million.

Christopher J. Murphy III, chairman, president and chief executive at South Bend-based 1st Source Corp., said merger talks started about three to four months ago when the Valparaiso bank approached 1st Source.

Murphy said 1st Source was interested in gaining a stronger foothold on the western edge of its market.

The merger is expected to close by mid-year, pending regulatory approvals, and will add the Valparaiso-based bank's 26 locations to 1st Source's 67 banking centers in Indiana and Michigan.

First National Bank officials liked 1st Source Bank's commitment to community and its intent to make Valparaiso a regional hub, said Wayne Welter, First National Bank of Valparaiso's chief executive officer.

Chairman seeks open Russian trade

Foreign Affairs Committee Chief aims for commerce restrictions removal

Associated Press

MOSCOW — The chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee said Wednesday he would call for the removal of Russia from the 1974 Jackson-Vanik amendment, which has restricted bilateral trade and remained a key irritant in relations between Moscow and Washington.

"It's time to put behind us this relic of the Cold War," Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif., said at a news conference. "I will spare no effort to bring this about and I have every expectation that I will be successful."

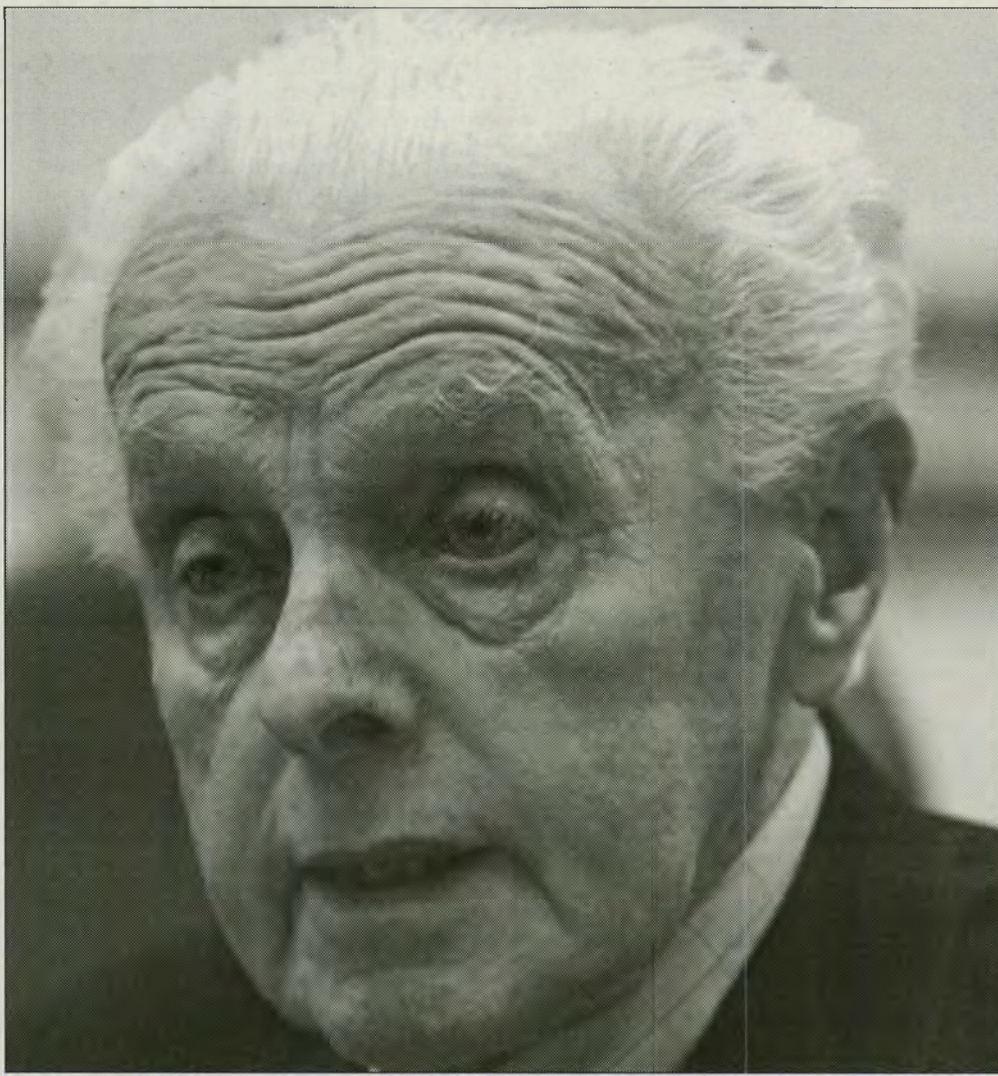
Moscow has long urged the United States to abolish the Jackson-Vanik amendment tying Russia's trade status to whether it freely allows Jewish emigration. President Vladimir Putin and other Russian officials and lawmakers long have criticized Washington for failing to repeal the legislation, saying the refusal to do so undermined trust between the two nations.

The abolition of the amendment is necessary for the United States to trade freely with Russia once it finalizes its bid to join the World Trade Organization.

Andrew Somers, head of the American Chamber of Commerce in Moscow, hailed Lantos' statement.

"It's an extremely positive statement from the chair of the Foreign Affairs Committee. It's a major step forward in U.S.-Russia relations and will put an end to this anachronistic piece of legislation," Somers told The Associated Press.

Russia's chief rabbi, Berel Lazar, said during a meeting with Lantos on Tuesday that "the preservation of the (Jackson-Vanik) amendments now, when Russia's Jews have fully equal



Tom Lantos, Democratic chairman of the U.S. House of Representatives' Foreign Affairs Committee, spoke Wednesday about removing Russia trade restrictions in Moscow.

rights, looks like a clear anachronism," La-zar's office said in a statement.

The statement from Lantos, a harsh critic of Russia's democracy record and human rights situation, comes at a time when U.S.-Russian ties have hit a new low with Putin's speech at a security conference in Munich earlier this month harshly criticizing U.S. global policy.

In what appeared to be an attempt to strike a conciliatory note, Lantos said Putin's statement was a "fully understandable" attempt to demonstrate

that his country, a former superpower, was resurgent after years of post-Soviet demise and stressed that Putin's criticism should not stand in the way of the two countries' cooperation.

"The United States and Russia have far too many common interests and long-term goals," Lantos said, referring to global health, poverty reduction and international peace and security. "We certainly will not allow ... the speech to stand in the way of our very positive attitude towards Russia and our future cooperation."

Some analysts said that the Kremlin would likely see Lantos' statement as proof that Putin's new tough tone in relations with Washington had been the right strategy to force the United States to make concessions.

"I think it will be seen here that the message of Putin's now famous speech in Munich has been taken on board — that the West has recognized its mistake ... and a harsh, direct approach is the most effective way," said Andrei Ryabov, a Moscow-based political analyst.

RIAA increases file sharing complaints

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — College students who faced lawsuits for illegally sharing large music collections over campus computer networks increasingly risk being unplugged from the Internet or even suspended over lesser complaints by the recording industry.

In a nationwide crackdown, the music industry is sending thousands more copyright complaints to universities this school year than last. In some cases, students are targeted for allegedly sharing a single mp3 file online.

A few schools — Ohio University and Purdue University are at the top of the list — already have received more than 1,000 complaints accusing individual students since last fall. For students who are caught, punishments can vary from e-mail warnings to

semester-long suspensions from classes.

Ohio University said students caught twice sharing music online would face the same disciplinary sanctions as classmates accused of violence or cheating: suspension, probation or an assignment to write a homework paper on the subject. Ohio said no student ever has been caught twice.

"When they told me I freaked," said Ryan Real of Louisville, an Ohio University sophomore who was accused in November of illegally sharing not music but a popular video game, "Grand Theft Auto," over the school's network. Real said he was ordered to delete the game and the Bittorrent file-sharing software he was using from his computer before the school would turn his Internet connection back on.

"Everybody does it," Real said. "The

odds that you are going to get caught, it's not something you think about." Classmates who also have been caught "still download illegally," Real said.

At the request of The Associated Press, the trade group for the largest music labels, the Recording Industry Association of America, identified the 25 universities to which it has sent the most copyright complaints so far this school year.

The group, which has long pressured schools to act more aggressively, said software tools are improving to trace illegal file-sharing on campuses.

"We are taking advantage of that technology to make universities aware of the problem on their campuses," said RIAA President Cary Sherman. "They need to be sending a message to their students about how to live a lawful life."

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What we're like

Sex kills. So come to Notre Dame and live forever.

Student-made t-shirts are ubiquitous on this campus, and four years ago, one of them proclaimed just that. Or at least, that's what Ed Cohen wrote in his 2003 Notre Dame Magazine article entitled, "Notre Dame Students Today: What They're Like."

At the time, the article was a noble attempt to describe the then-ND students, written by "someone nearly as old as some of their parents" — or so Cohen described himself.

He wrote about alumni who "dream of seeing their children follow in their footsteps up the Main Building's stairs." Hence the article's biggest problem — it wasn't written by a student. If Cohen were a student, he'd surely know the legend — undergrads don't walk up the Main Building steps. If they do, they won't graduate.

Four years later, Cohen's article is as obsolete as landline phones in the dorms. Heck, he wrote it back when Club Fever was still Heartland, when only one campus building bore the DeBartolo family name and when Tyrone Willingham was the one commissioned to resurrect the Notre Dame football program. And unless there are any sixth-year seniors out there, no current undergraduates were around when the administration banned in-hall dances, the loss of which Cohen reflected upon.

So what are the typical non-Main-Building-step-climbing Notre Dame students of the two-DeBartolo-buildings era like?

I'm a student. I can tell you.

As typical Notre Dame students, we enter the Irish aura gushing with arrogance about our intelligence. We reckon no remorse in reporting our ACT scores to everyone sitting within earshot at the Jesus Table in South Dining Hall. Most self-important of all are those of us who are not

so-called "legacies." We suppose we're smarter because we garnered an acceptance letter without having had a Domer mom or dad.

As typical smarty-pants Notre Dame students, we spend our daytimes with required reading and our nighttimes with required singing — Jon Bon Jovi's "Living on a Prayer" as the dorm party primer. By senior year, we'll spend our daytimes falling asleep on a CoMo couch while attempting to read Tolstoy, and we'll spend our Finnegans' nighttimes belting out "Rocky Top" with an over-priced and over-filled-with-ice pitcher of Red Bull and vodka in hand.

As average Notre Dame students, however, many of us weren't consumers of cocktails before arriving in the 46556. And sharp though we profess to be, as typical freshmen we fail to realize that by putting up incoherent away messages, we've just confessed to our entire family — disapproving little brothers and sisters included — our newfound fondness of the bottle.

Yet while Cohen cited fake ID carrying as the "principal blot on the collective student body's record," most undergrads don't use fake IDs. By and large, most of us won't "catch the Feve" at Michiana's hottest nightclub until we are, in fact, 21.

While at some other colleges, freshmen secure their fakes on their first day of freshman year, as Notre Dame freshmen, on the other hand, we're too busy worrying about who's standing next to us in the football ticket lottery line. We were then unaware of the fact that nobody actually does the jig in his real row anyway.

Some — like the wearers of the student-made sex T-shirt — are unaware of the sex that occurs at Notre Dame. But in truth, if sex does kill, a number of us have indeed sworn away our immortality.

Nevertheless, there are still a preponderance of prudes on this campus. Yet even the prudes are not what Cohen makes us out to be. In his piece, Cohen quoted one student who said that after a night out, "even when one of the parties has a genuine romantic interest in the other (it happens), the evening typically ends not with an awkward goodnight kiss at the door, but

a 'see ya' and a wave."

What? No awkward goodnight kiss at the door? Clearly, the quoted student went to bed early every night and never had to sidestep the post-parietals lip-lockers while trying to swipe his or her ID card at the quad-side door of Breen-Phillips Hall.

While some of us are playing tonsil hockey in the vestibule (or in our rooms, breaking parietals — gasp), others of us can be found at one of Notre Dame's late-night campus feeding holes. The lucky ones of us who live on the South end of campus indulge in scrumptious brick-oven pizzas at Reckers, while those of us in the Stonehenge vicinity select our slice of Sbarro based on which piece looks as though it hasn't been sitting out for more than seven hours.

Late-night pizza eaters though we may be, according to Cohen we are also "industrious, articulate, respectful, generous, neat, fit, even buff, not to mention tech-savvy."

What he doesn't mention is the number of us who are typically too drunk to make it from our tailgates to the football games. Or that during our four years here, most of us learn more about procrastination than politics. And in 2003, Cohen couldn't have known what an impact the advent of text messaging would have on our communication skills.

But as Cohen wrote, ND students are "goal-setters, goal-reachers." And you know what? After graduation, we'll probably save the world.

But — graduation? What? To leave this parietals-full paradise under the Dome?

That's incomprehensible. If you should know one thing about typical Notre Dame students, it's that we don't want to leave.

We'd prefer a 2 a.m. slice of Sbarro over the outside world any day.

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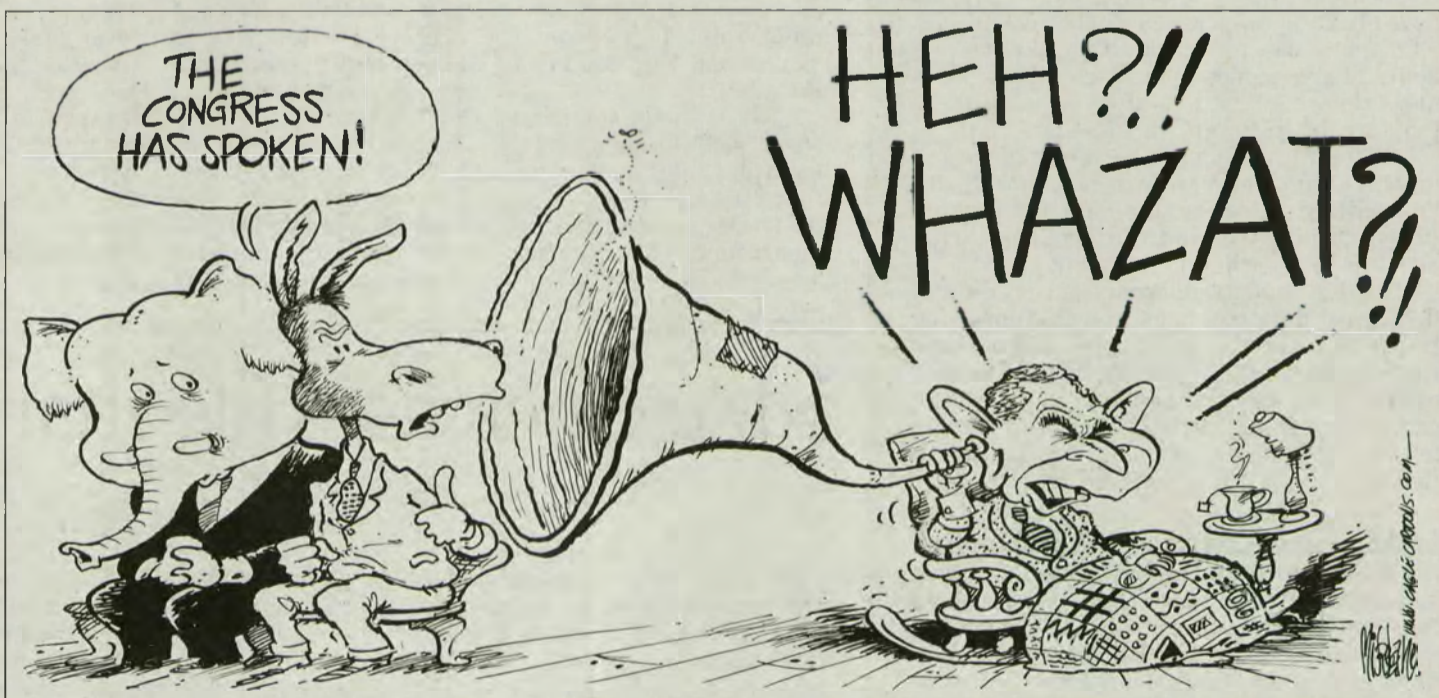
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"When George Washington threw the dollar across the Rappahannock River, he didn't realize he was establishing a precedent for government spending."

Harold Coffin
journalist

What Lent means to us

Yesterday we began our annual celebration of the Lenten season of grace and change of heart in the context of a deeper relationship with Our Lord Jesus Christ. The ashes which we received on our foreheads reminded us that we can never deepen enough our faith in the living presence of Jesus in our lives, through the ministry of the Church and in our world. The words which the priest or minister recited as the ashes were used to trace the sign of the cross on our foreheads reminded us that there is always room in our life for more prayer, for more concern for the poor and for fasting so that our minds and hearts might more easily be turned to the deeper realities of our life. It is truly only when we "turn to the Gospel" that these deep desires of ours can become a reality.

Richard V. Warner, CSC
FaithPoint

There are many ways through which we can deepen our life of prayer as we prepare for our celebration of the Easter Triduum and the celebration of Easter itself, especially as members of the Notre Dame-Saint Mary's-Holy Cross community. We have many opportunities to make the Eucharist a special part of our Lenten observance and to spend extra

time at prayer in one of the many beautiful places on our campus where we are reminded of the deepest longing of our hearts to unite ourselves with God so that we might also love and serve one another more effectively. In addition to places like the Basilica, the Grotto and our residence hall chapels, we have the privilege of spending a few moments before the presence of Our Lord through Eucharistic Adoration which takes place from Monday through Thursday in the Notre Dame Our Mother Chapel in the Coleman-Morse Center and on Friday afternoons in the Lady Chapel of the Basilica. The Rosary is also becoming more and more of a favorite devotion of our Notre Dame undergraduate students and in addition to saying it occasionally alone or with friends, we might also remember that the Rosary is prayed every day at the Grotto at 6:45 p.m.

We are asked to fast only on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday during Lent and to abstain from meat on other Fridays during the Lenten season. However, it is a traditional practice to voluntarily "give up" something simple that will remind us that we are living in a special time when God's grace can and will surround us.

During one of his recent homilies in Rome, our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI urged Catholics and other people of good will to pray in a special way for peace in the world during the 40 days of Lent and to let those who are poor have a special place in our lives. We can do this through our monetary offerings, through extra acts of service or in many other ways.

Finally, a special activity which is well worthwhile is to spend a little more time reading the Sacred Scriptures, especially the New Testament and the letters of Saint Paul, and spending a few moments each day reading a book that deals with the spiritual realities of our lives.

Whatever decisions each of us has made on how we wish to spend Lent, we should also ask Our Lord for the one grace we especially need in order to be more faithful followers of Jesus.

This week's FaithPoint is written by Father Richard Warner, director of Campus Ministry. He can be reached at rwarner@nd.edu

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Loyal Daughters' letter evokes emotional response

Argument against Loyal Daughters' logic is illogical

I would like to make a few points with regards to Jon Buttaci's Feb. 20 Letter to the Editor ("Loyal Daughters' humor detracts from true dialogue"). Buttaci complains of a skit in which a logic professor implements Modus Ponens as a means for equating rape with premarital sex. Buttaci declares that the professor utilizes "false logic to try to point out a contradiction in University policy that does not exist."

However, he failed to include some very important information. The skit, for example, ends with the professor asking his class to take into consideration the following question: "If rape leads to suspension and expulsion, and, consensual sex leads to suspension or expulsion, does it follow that rape is equivalent to consensual sex? Is this valid? Anyone?"

I don't know about Buttaci, but more than once in my life, I have had professors specifically ask questions that may not elicit clear and definite answers. Sometimes, I have even had professors ask my class questions that they knew were not valid or logical. They did so to provoke careful thought.

Nowhere in the skit does the professor state that he is making a good argument. Instead, he poses a question which leaves the audience thinking. Buttaci claims that the play's "humor and seemingly innocuous content is much more effective in keeping viewers from any intellectual consideration of the issues than "The Vagina Monologues" was, and therefore is much more dangerous." Mr. Buttaci leads me to believe that he has not seen the subject matter which he so vehemently denounces.

Several of the skits in "The Vagina Monologues" have left me laughing hysterically; "The Woman Who Liked to Make Vaginas Happy," which details various orgasm sounds, is just one of them. To claim that it has less humor than "Loyal Daughters" is a serious oversight. Buttaci additionally failed to mention that the skit ends on a completely serious, non-humorous note. He claims that "viewers are too busy laughing to actually think, 'Wait a second: this is terrible logic!'" once again causing me to think he didn't even see the performance. Personally, I did not find the ending of the skit to be funny at all. Neither did the other 359 viewers packed with me in the Decio theatre this past fall. In fact, I clearly remember a dead silence falling across the audience at the end of the skit. To me, this skit was one of the more prominent parts of the play. As I lay in bed that night, I considered and reconsidered the argument, because its possible implications were incredibly stunning.

My final point is this. Attempting to defame those involved with "Loyal Daughters" and "The Vagina Monologues" through exaggerations and oversights of the material is cowardly.

If Buttaci is going to attack us, he should attack us for something that we have actually done that is out of line with the Catholic character that he so readily defends.

Erin Weedon
 senior
 Lyons Hall
 Feb. 21

Think about what constitutes 'intellectual discussion'

I am writing this article in regard to Jon Buttaci's Feb. 20 Letter to the Editor ("Loyal Daughters' humor detracts from true dialogue"). I played the logic professor you made reference to in your article concerning how "Loyal Daughters" does not address "the issues of sexual assault in an intelligent way, but rather uses humor, stories and catchy tunes to attack Catholic view of chastity and Notre Dame." I would like

to take this opportunity to point out some flaws just in the one paragraph that made reference to my piece. First of all, the University policy from duLac that the logic professor addressed in his lesson to his class is an actual University policy. You stated that the policy in debate in my monologue "does not exist." I suggest you reread your duLac. Page 94 of duLac states that "Sexual misconduct, including, but not limited to: a) sexual intercourse without consent, b) unwelcome touching, or c) other offensive sexual behavior is a serious violation. A student found in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary suspension or permanent dismissal." Now on page 95 of duLac it states that "Because a genuine and complete expression of love through sex requires a commitment to a total living and sharing together of two persons in marriage, the University believes that sexual union should occur only in marriage. Students found in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary suspension or permanent dismissal." This is a true University policy, and I stated these policies almost verbatim.

Secondly, I was not imitating a professor or well-known logician on campus. I am a first-year student and that is how I interpreted the piece. I have never come across a professor or instructor of that nature. Thirdly, the piece of the professor using false logic to try

to point out a contradiction in University policy is supposed to make you think as you state it Jon — "Wait a second: this is terrible logic!" How can a logic professor use logic and reasoning to support an illogical University policy? You are supposed to think that the policy is not logical because how can rape/sexual assault and consensual sex have the same punishment when they are two entirely different things?

Furthermore, it was amazing to note how the audience actually responded to my question, "Is this logical?" Audience members shouted out "No" because it doesn't make sense to have University policies like that. Fourth, how can you associate "Loyal Daughters" with comedy and toned-down explicit humor? Immediately after my monologue, a girl walked out to describe in horror how she was raped by a football player in the library only then to have him ejaculate on her face. Let me remind you that this is a true story. This monologue definitely had me rolling around backstage in laughter. Many of the monologues and short skits in this play addressed difficult issues in a serious light. With the exception of four or five monologues out of some 25 monologues and skits, I do not feel this was in any way a comedic play void of intellectual discussion. Fifthly, "Loyal Daughters" represents a variety of views expressed by Notre Dame students and faculty. It is a reflection of over 50 interviews of the Notre Dame community. This play utilizes many different theatrical and writing techniques like sarcasm and satire along with intense emotional tones to convey the many messages.

In conclusion, I find it extremely ironic that you attempt to discuss what should or should not be considered an "intellectual discussion." You obviously have no idea what you are talking about. I felt one of the messages and purposes of "Loyal Daughters" was to make students think about what we as individuals should seek and cultivate in relationships with people of the same and opposite sex. I am deeply sorry that you missed the many intellectual messages so evident in Loyal Daughters.

Patrick Tighe
 freshman
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 Feb. 20



MUSIC FEATURE

Notre Dame to host 49th-annual jazz festival

Event will feature noted performers and 13 universities

By MICHELLE FORDICE
Scene Writer

The annual Notre Dame Collegiate Jazz Festival, the oldest college jazz festival in the nation, returns to Washington Hall for its 49th year today through Saturday. Notre Dame will welcome 10 other university bands to the campus. They will be judged by five acclaimed jazz musicians who provide critiques and advice, both with the bands one-on-one and with the general public in a series of workshops.

The Notre Dame Collegiate Jazz festival would be a wonderful event if only for the music and culture it brings to South Bend, but it also serves as a promoter of jazz music throughout the country.

Since 1959, the festival, hosted by the Student Union Board, has invited many famous jazz musicians to the Notre Dame campus. These have included Bill Evans, Quincy Jones, Julian (Cannonball) Adderley, Herbie Hancock, Ray Brown, Wynton Marsalis, Dee Dee Bridgewater and John Clayton.

Over the years many different university bands have been invited to Notre Dame. These have included those from somewhat lesser-known schools, increasing the variety of the festival and helping to encourage jazz music everywhere. This also makes the festival a wonderful source of new talent. Recordings of many of the past performances, dating all the way back to the first festival, can be found in the University Archives at the Hesburgh Library.

While the festival is an invitation-based event, it is non-competitive, alternatively centering on education. Instead of ranking the bands, judges select an outstanding musician from each group and then provide the group as a whole with feedback about their performance.

Workshops and clinics, offered to anyone who wishes to attend, further emphasize the learning aspect of the festival. These clinics are hosted by the judges as they talk about their craft and give advice to the participants. All of this makes for a more constructive result compared to a simple competition.

This year's twelve invited universities include Western Michigan University, Indiana University, the University of Illinois, Roosevelt University, Alma



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Director Larry Dwyer conducts the Notre Dame Jazz Band II at a preview concert Wednesday in the LaFortune Ballroom to kick off the Annual Collegiate Jazz Festival.

College, Shenandoah University, Slippery Rock University, Southern Illinois University, Columbia College, and Capital University, as well as Notre Dame.

Not every group is a full band — octets, quintets, and percussion ensembles are also featured. Furthermore, as each band comes from different areas and influences and will be doing their best to display a wide range of styles for the judges, many different jazz sounds will emerge over the course of the weekend for the audience to hear.

This year's judges are Jon Faddis (trumpet), James Carter (saxophone), Joan Hickey (piano), Rodney Whitaker (bass) and Carl Allen (drums). Each judge specializes in a different instrument so that the college bands can be critiqued from a variety of viewpoints. This also allows certain sections of the band to be examined for their own merit apart from the whole.

Best of all, Friday night the judges will take the stage together, without rehearsal, to play and exhibit their prowess.

Jon Faddis, known internationally for his ability to play in the high range of the trumpet, is currently the director of both the Chicago Jazz Ensemble and the Jon Faddis Jazz Orchestra and is a teacher and artist-in-residence at the Conservatory of Music, Purchase College-SUNY. He has played with Charles Mingus, the Thad Jones/Mel Lewis band, the Dizzy Gillespie Alumni Band and the Carnegie Hall Jazz Band. His discography includes "Teranga" and the Grammy nominated "Remembrances."

James Carter has mastered several jazz instruments, but is best known for the saxophone. He has received the Dr. Elaine Locke award, one of the nation's greatest cultural honors, named after one of the beacons of the Harlem Renaissance. His discography includes "Chasin' the Gypsy," "Layin' in the Cut," "Jurassic Classics" and "Gardenias for Lady Day," a tribute to Bille Holiday.

Joan Hickey is a freelance pianist

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from Chicago who also teaches at Northwestern University and the University of Illinois. She has toured in Italy, Sweden and Denmark with the Jazz Members Big Band and been awarded two National Endowment for the Arts grants and an Illinois Arts Council grant in music composition. Her discography includes "Between the Lines" and "Soulmates."

Rodney Whitaker is an associate professor of double bass and the Director of Jazz Studies at the Michigan State University School of Music as well as a member of the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra and a conductor and consultant for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Civic Jazz Orchestra. He has also toured internationally with the Roy Hargrove Quintet, written a film score for PBS's "China" and served as a professor at Julliard Institute of Jazz. Whitaker has been featured on hundreds of albums.

Carl Allen is an acclaimed drummer and the co-founder of Big Apple Productions. His discography includes "The Pursuer" and "Testimonial." He regularly gives clinics at universities and music stores which his website says covers topics such as: time and it's variations, playing from a melodic perspective, soloing and Grooves, back to basics (for all levels), keeping the gig (after you have gotten it) and the business of being a musician, so look forward to that for his workshop.

All events of the Notre Dame Jazz Festival are open to the public and free of charge for students and those under 18. Tickets are required for adults for the Friday and Saturday sessions (\$7 for both nights or \$5 for one night) and are available in advance at the LaFortune box office.

For the 49th year, not only will Notre Dame get to witness some of the nation's greatest collegiate jazz bands play their best, but the university will also provide a forum for their development and the encouragement of jazz as a whole.

The Notre Dame Jazz Festival is one of Notre Dame's best traditions, and should not be missed.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, February 21st

8:00 PM
La Fortune Ballroom

Thursday, February 22nd

8:00 PM: Swing lessons
9:00 PM: MOBB performance
Oak Room, South Dining Hall second floor

Friday, February 23rd

8:00 - 11:00 PM
Washington Hall

Saturday, February 24th

Jazz Clinic with Judges
2:00 PM
Notre Dame Band Building

6:00 - 11:00 PM
Washington Hall
Jazz Clinic with Judges

Jazz Coffehouse featuring the Notre Dame Jazz Band II

Jazz and Swing Night featuring the Notre Dame Swing Club and the MOBB

Collegiate Jazz Festival featuring the Notre Dame Jazz Band I, the Shenandoah University Conservatory Jazz Ensemble, the University of Illinois Concert Jazz Band, the Michigan University Jazz Octet, the Roosevelt University Chicago College of Performing Arts Jazz Orchestra, and a Judge's Jam.

Collegiate Jazz Festival featuring the Alma College Percussion Ensemble, the Southern Illinois University Quintet, the Slippery Rock University Jazz Ensemble, the Capital University Big Band, the Indiana University Combo and the Columbia College Jazz Ensemble.

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The 49th Annual Notre Dame Collegiate Jazz Festival will feature 13 universities and a variety of events and workshops throughout the weekend.

Trumpeter Mark Flanagan performs "You Do Something to Me" with the University of Notre Dame Jazz Band II as part of the Collegiate Jazz Festival.



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By BRIAN DOXTADER
Scene Editor

A man walks into a room, having followed the directions on a mysterious package. Once there, he is given a number, a gun and a bullet. Along with 12 other men, he is instructed to load the gun, roll the cylinder and place it against the temple of the man in front of him. He and the 12 other men stare at an unlit light bulb in the middle of the room. When the light bulb goes on, they are told, they must pull the trigger.

Such is the crux of the narrative of "13 Tzameti," a gripping French thriller from first-time director Gela Babluani. Tense and effective, "13 Tzameti" is a unique examination of the dark underbelly of aristocratic society, and the lengths that impoverished, desperate men will go to in order to gain wealth.

Sebastien (Georges Babluani) is a poor and simple 22-year-old carpenter struggling to support his family. While laying the roof of a house, he overhears a conversation about a package that promises riches. When the man for whom the package is intended dies of a drug overdose, Sebastien intercepts the package and assumes the dead man's identity. Following the instructions of the package, he finds himself part of a deadly game, in which rich aristocrats place bets on the lives of the participants.

"13 Tzameti" is amazingly accomplished, especially for a first-time director. Gela Babluani gives the film a stylish, darkly seductive appearance, with gorgeous black-and-white cinematography. His sense of camera movement is impressive, and there are several truly fantastic shots. Many of these shots recall the best of classic 'film noirs' in the choice of settings, and in the shots' sparse, stark appearance.

The film is in French, though it's not a very dialogue-heavy film. Instead, it relies on visual panache to tell the story. In a case of less is more, "13 Tzameti" benefits from its strong com-

positions and camera movement — in fact, while Sebastien is playing the game, he rarely speaks at all, with most of the story told through the camera and through the characters' movement and facial expressions.

The acting is quite good. Georges Babluani, the director's brother, has star potential as Sebastien, embodying the character's confusion and desperation. Georges Babluani's character is the clear focal point of the film — it's as close to first-person narrative as cinema can be. Unfortunately, however, this means that his character is the only one fully developed.

"13 Tzameti" starts slowly, even leisurely, as the opening sequences concentrate on the meager, poor existence of Sebastien and his family.

Reminiscent the look and feel of films by Bresson and DeSica (and, at times, of the French New Wave), its realistic approach draws the viewer into Sebastien's world, which makes his descent into the bizarre underground more compelling.

At 90 minutes long, "13 Tzameti" is a short film, though it is more effective in its brevity. As straightforward as narratives come, it wastes no time on subplots or story diversions. Instead, it remains focused, concentrating on the plight of Sebastien and the bizarre, clandestine world he is entering.

This is especially evident in the dynamite second act, which revolves around the game itself. The pacing and tension is at its apex, and the open-space beauty of the landscape — which was so prevalent in the first act — gives way to grimy claustrophobia.

The audience is able to sympathize with Sebastien, who seems a victim of circumstances, and his struggle for survival is contingent almost entirely on luck, rather than skill. This separates "13 Tzameti" from typical thrillers, in which characters rely on

their brains or brawn to escape their plight. In "13 Tzameti," however, Sebastien inherently understands that there is no escape, and he has no choice but to play the game and hope for the best.

The film has a lot of philosophical ideas floating around, but the brief running time means that some are not explored as closely as they could be.

Throughout, there are interesting shades of nihilism and, at times, existentialism, especially in the way which human life becomes merely another commodity.

The film is shockingly nonchalant in its handling of death, which is a reflection of the brutal characters portrayed in the film. The ending of the film, however, seems inspired by the pessimism and shocking suddenness of the French New Wave, with its sense of logical inevitability.

While its simplicity as a story belies its thematic complexity, "Tzameti" may have benefited from some additional development. If the film were longer, some of its themes and several characters could have been explored more fully, lending to a better portrait of Babluani's themes and ideas.

"13 Tzameti" doesn't have the gloss of a big-budget Hollywood film, which is a good thing. It gives the film a gritty, realistic feel. It's a dark and often-disturbing film, which may not sit well with some viewers.

Yet Gela Babluani has a great eye and good sense of craft and story. Though "Tzameti" often feels like an independent film, it's entirely conceivable to believe that it — despite being an excellent film — will probably not be his best. It has such creative energy that it's more than likely that Babluani

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What: "13 Tzameti"
Where: Browning Cinema, DPAC
When: Friday, 7 and 10 p.m.
Director Gela Babluani will be present at both screenings

has a lot of untapped potential. Still, as a tense 'film noir,' "13 Tzameti" is an effective piece of accomplished cinema. Far removed from the overblown indulgence of blockbuster cinema, it is a simple tale, but one that is well-written.

The film has been received well critically, especially on the film festival circuit where it won "Best First Feature" at the Venice Film Festival and the coveted "Grand Jury Prize" at the Sundance Film Festival. Though "13 Tzameti" was Gela Babluani's first feature, he previously directed a short called "A Fleur de Peau" in 2002.

"13 Tzameti" will be screened in the Browning Cinema of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Friday at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Director Gela Babluani is scheduled to be present.

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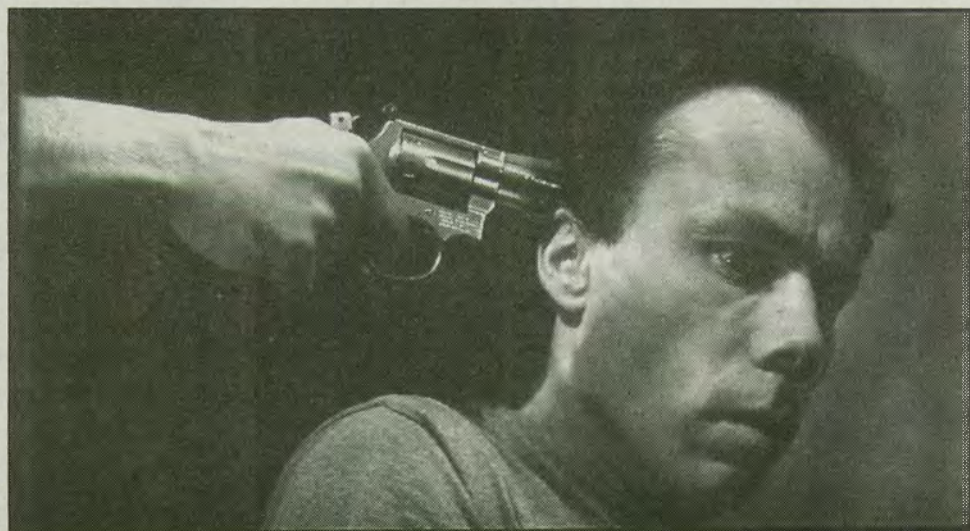


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"13 Tzameti" is an effective and moody thriller about an impoverished man who is sucked into a clandestine but deadly game of Russian Roulette.



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"13 Tzameti" is the critically acclaimed feature debut of director Gela Babluani, who will be present at both of the DPAC's screenings Friday.

Bouts

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moment, Sayles quickly struck back with a flurry of punches, many landing to the head.

In the third round, Chapman settled down a bit, and began to land some punches. Fatigue, however, showed from both fighters, and the match ended with Sayles sealing the deal as he landed several power punches.

Nathan Serazin def. Dan Brannan

Serazin, a junior from Siegfried, won a split decision over Brannan.

Brannan, a sophomore from Fisher Hall, looked to be winning the first round of the fight.

After the bell rang, Brannan was more patient and attacked when Serazin's guard was down. Also, the sophomore was working both the head and the body with his punches. However, a late surge by Serazin scored some points with the judges.

Round two started with both fighters weighing each other out. Brannan connected with some power shots to the head and the body, as Serazin moved about the canvas to flee the punches. Both fighters displayed excellent footwork in the ring.

In the third round, Serazin improved his blocking and defensive strategy, and as a result was able to land more counter punches.

Danny Wemple def. Dymtro Aponte

Wemple, a freshman from Siegfried, won a unanimous decision over Aponte, a law student from Fisher.

The fight started with wild punches being thrown. Aponte defenselessly charged at Wemple, who took advantage of open holes on his opponent. Wemple was able to use his height and reach over his opponent to his advantage, landing his jab with frequency. With his overly aggressive style, Aponte was able to land some punches, but hit air more he hit Wemple.

In the second round, Aponte continued his aggressive charge, and Wemple was able to connect some power punches to the face.

The third round went on much like the first two, as Wemple was able to land several power punches while avoiding Aponte's charges. At one point, Aponte was charging blindly, with his long hair obstructing his vision.

Walter Bruen def. Steven Rivera

Bruen, a freshman from Sorin, won a split decision over Rivera, a freshman from St. Ed's.

The first round started off fairly organized, as the two fighters seemed to have some sort of strategy to foil their opponents. Bruen was able to land some punches to the head, causing the referee to stop the fight for a standing eight count.

Bruen turned to his jab in round two in an attempt to set up some of his combinations. The ref was forced to stop the fight after Rivera connected with a solid head shot, causing blood to trickle from Bruen's nose.

In round three, both fighters traded wild punches, as Bruen landed most of his. The freshman from Sorin seemed to become more patient as the round went on, as he tried to incorporate his jab in the fight. Both fighters had bloody noses as the match came to an end.

135 lb.

Chris Lee def. Jason Hensler

Lee, an off-campus senior, defeated Hensler, a sophomore from Zahm, in a unanimous decision.

Round one began with Lee throwing a wild fury of punches, which eventually caused the referee to hold Hensler to a standing eight count. Hensler, a southpaw, seemed to confuse Lee at first, but the victor was able to adapt well.

In the second round, Lee continued his string of wild punches, as Hensler tried to block the assault. However, due to the high amount of thrown punches, both fighters appeared fatigued as the round wore on. Towards the end of the round, Hensler was able to land a solid counter-punch to Lee's head.

In the third round, Hensler landed some counterpunches, but it appeared that Lee's disorderly punches were too much for the sophomore to handle. On Feb. 26, Lee will face Brian DeSplinter in the quarterfinals.

Mike Howard def. Michael Reeve

Howard, a sophomore from Stanford, recorded the first knockout of the night, dominating Reeve, a sophomore from Dillon.

In the first round, Reeve was fighting aggressively, trying to get in Howard's face. However, Howard's long reach enabled him to keep his room — and punish Reeve.

The second round didn't last very long. Again it started with Reeve charging at Howard. Reeve seemed to be connecting some more punches until Howard landed a right hook, knocking Reeve out 30 seconds into the second round.

Paul Oddy def. Joey Maher

Keenan sophomore Oddy knocked out Maher, a senior from Dillon, one minute into the third round.

As the bell marked the beginning of the first round, both fighters were blocking extremely well and patiently waiting for an entry in their opponent's defense to attack. Oddy landed several power punches in the round and was able to effectively use his jab to set up his straight. Maher was on the defensive for the majority of the round and was not able to land as efficiently as Oddy.

In round two, Oddy was targeting his opponent's head, accurately landed several punches. Oddy was determined to finish the fight in the third round as he came out firing punches. In the final round, he successfully attempted to bring his jab into the fight, which set up his other punches. Maher was able to come up with a series of counter punches, but Oddy landed a straight shot to knock out Maher.

Chris Cugliari def. Glenn Gutierrez

After two straight knock outs, Cugliari, a freshman from Dillon, reinvigorated the crowd with a split-decision win over Gutierrez, a sophomore from Knott.

In round one, Gutierrez started swinging in a disorderly manner, causing Cugliari to put up his guard. Cugliari played defense well and held off the barrage. Although Gutierrez started out the round landing more hits, the freshman from Dillon began working his jab more accurately and started to score points with the judges.

Round two saw Gutierrez use an unorthodox method of blocking punches with relative success. Cugliari was able to alter his strategy and turned his focus to landing body punches, which slowed Gutierrez down substantially.

The third round saw both fighters exchanging punches to the crowd's delight.

Rick Ward def. Mark Hincapie

Ward, a sophomore from St. Ed's, outlasted Stanford freshman Hincapie in a battle between two patient fighters.

The first round started with both fighters weighing each other out and analyzing an entry for attack. Hincapie was the first to strike, landing several quick blows to the head. Ward was having some difficulty fighting off and defending Hincapie's punches in the first round. However, Ward was able to land several counterpunches to finish out a close round.

Round two saw Hincapie moving around the ring efficiently, landing his one-two combinations. Hincapie was also able to block Ward's punches. However, Ward mustered a late surge in the round, to which Hincapie responded with his own streak

of punches.

Ward started the final round blocking and counter punching much better than he had in the previous two rounds. He began to use his jab to compliment his other punches. However, as fatigue set in, both fighters slowed down. Ward finished off the round with solid combinations which stemmed from his effective and forceful jab.

Connor Cain def. Chris Ulad

Cain, a freshman from Morrissey, won in a unanimous decision over Ulad, a senior from Stanford.

Right off the bat, Ulad started the first round with nice combinations, in what was a patient opening. Both fighters analyzed their opponents' style, as Ulad began to work both the body and the head. However, Cain was able to make a surge of his own, despite his poor blocking.

Round two started a little more chaotically than the first, with Cain landing some power punches. Throughout the middle of the round, he continued to land a flurry of blows, as Ulad seemed to back off from his opponent. In the end, Cain's long reach worked to his advantage, as punches were traded to end the round.

The third and final round saw Cain landing several straights to Ulad's head.

140 lb.

Joey Brown def. Paul Aleman

Brown, a sophomore from Morrissey used his jab to set up other combinations in a unanimous victory over Morrissey sophomore Aleman.

Soon after the first round started, several wild punches were exchanged between both fighters, with Aleman getting his licks in. Brown finished the round with a strong surge that set the tempo for the rest of the fight.

As round two commenced, both fighters traded away punches. Brown used his jab to lower Aleman's defenses and get closer to his opponent. Regardless of what Brown threw at Aleman, the Manorite was able to defend well.

The third round saw Brown let loose punches to which Aleman had to defend and block. Aleman landed some counterpunches, but the unfazed Brown took the victory.

Eric Feduska def. Johnathan Sarna

Feduska, a sophomore from Siegfried, beat Carroll freshman Sarna in unanimous fashion.

Round one started with several wild exchanges in which Sarna landed some power punches. To counter his opponent, Feduska tried to improve his blocking and work the jab with more frequency. To finish the round, he cornered Sarna

and landed a string of combinations.

In the second round, Feduska displayed great footwork and head movement to avoid Sarna's blows. Feduska continued to work the jab to set up his combinations, earning him points with the judges. Sarna's defense grew worse throughout the round, and he was eventually forced into a standing eight count.

In the third round, Sarna displayed a sense of urgency and came out firing punches, to which Feduska was able to block and counter effectively. The sophomore from Siegfried dominated the final round landing a barrage of punches, forcing Sarna into another standing eight count. Right before the bell sounded ending the fight, Feduska sealed his victory with a forceful uppercut.

Christopher Hanlon def. Greg Abbracciamento

Hanlon, an off-campus senior, knocked out Morrissey freshman Abbracciamento.

Round one started with Hanlon immediately going to his jab to set up his combinations. Abbracciamento attempted to defend Hanlon's punches but couldn't. This resulted in furious punches landing on Abbracciamento's head, causing a standing eight count.

Abbracciamento tried to recuperate lost points with his own combinations in the second round and may have done so with sloppy defense displayed by both fighters.

The third round lasted only a minute thanks to a commanding uppercut haymaker that drew blood from Abbracciamento's nose.

Mark Weber def. Greg Antell

Keenan sophomore Weber won a split decision over Antell, a freshman from Carroll.

Round one started with several solid jabs from Weber. Antell seemed to fight conservatively, not punching or blocking as effectively as his opponent.

The second round commenced with both boxers trading punches between each other. Antell's performance improved, as he began to settle down and land more accurately. However, Weber was able to counterpunch and use a medley of jabs and hooks to weaken his opposition.

Antell started the third round with some combinations, although they were slightly uncontrollable punches. Weber's defense seemed to get worse as the fight progressed, but a strong finish from the Keenan sophomore sealed his victory. For Antell it was too little too late.

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NCAA Hockey

USCHO.com/CSTV Top 20

team	record	points	previous
1 NOTRE DAME	26-5-3	780	1
2 Minnesota	25-5-3	774	2
3 New Hampshire	22-6-2	701	3
4 St. Cloud State	18-6-6	649	4
5 Boston University	17-5-9	641	6
6 Clarkson	20-7-5	560	9
7 Denver	20-11-3	532	8
8 North Dakota	17-11-4	471	10
9 Miami (Ohio)	22-10-4	446	12
10 Michigan	22-11-1	438	11
11 Boston College	18-11-1	428	13
12 Maine	19-10-2	417	5
13 Michigan State	18-11-3	334	6
14 St. Lawrence	19-11-2	315	15
15 Colorado College	16-13-3	232	14
16 Cornell	14-9-4	206	18
17 Vermont	16-12-4	185	16
18 Massachusetts	14-11-5	76	19
19 Wisconsin	14-15-3	45	NR
20 Quinnipiac	16-11-5	44	20

NCAA Hockey

USA Today Top 20

team	record	points	previous
1 NOTRE DAME	26-5-3	496	1
2 Minnesota	25-5-3	489	2
3 New Hampshire	22-6-2	424	3
4 Boston University	17-5-9	418	6
5 St. Cloud State	18-6-6	373	4
6 Clarkson	20-7-5	324	9
7 Denver	20-11-3	314	8
8 North Dakota	17-11-4	227	12
9 Miami (Ohio)	22-10-4	221	11
10 Michigan	22-11-1	212	10
11 Maine	19-10-2	201	7
12 Boston College	18-10-4	153	13
13 Michigan State	18-11-1	100	5
14 St. Lawrence	19-11-2	89	15
15 Colorado College	16-13-3	77	14
16 Cornell	14-9-4	54	18
17 Sacred Heart	19-9-4	52	NR
18 Vermont	16-12-4	36	16
19 Massachusetts	14-11-5	22	19
20 Wisconsin	14-15-3	18	NR

NCAA Hockey

CCHA Conference Standings

team	conference record	overall record
1 NOTRE DAME	20-3-3	26-5-3
2 Michigan	17-8-1	22-11-1
3 Miami (OH)	15-7-4	22-10-4
4 Michigan State	14-9-3	18-11-3
5 Western Michigan	13-12-1	16-15-1
6t Nebraska-Omaha	11-11-4	14-14-8
Ohio State	11-11-4	13-14-5
8 Lake Superior	10-13-3	16-15-3
9 Ferris State	9-15-2	12-19-3
10 Alaska	7-14-5	9-17-6
11 Northern Michigan	9-16-1	12-20-2
12 Bowling Green	4-21-1	6-26-2

PGA TOUR



Tiger Woods tees off on the par-three, third hole during his first round match against fellow American J.J. Henry. Woods advanced to the second round with a 3-and-2 victory.

Tiger advances in match play tourney

Associated Press

MARANA, Ariz. — On a course where it was important not to fall behind, Tiger Woods found himself among the cactus and desert shrub left of the second fairway looking for an escape. His opponent already was on the green, 12 feet away for a birdie.

"It looked like he was going to take a 1-up lead and get some momentum on his side early," Woods said. "And it just never happened."

Woods went from the desert to the fairway and made a 20-foot par putt to halve the hole, setting the

tone for a 3-and-2 victory over Ryder Cup teammate J.J. Henry in the first round of the Accenture Match Play Championship.

One match down, five to go if the world's No. 1 player wants to stretch his PGA Tour winning streak to eight.

After one round at The Gallery, it figures to be a wild ride.

For the second straight year, the shortest day belonged to Stephen Ames. He was on the losing end of a record rout by Woods last year at La Costa, but experienced the flip side of this fickle tournament by making seven birdies in 11 holes to bury

Robert Karlsson of Sweden, 8 and 7.

Seven matches went the distance, including fourth-seeded Phil Mickelson holding off fellow lefty Richard Green of Australia.

Four matches went overtime, none more shocking than No. 3 seed Adam Scott making a birdie on the 18th hole to extend his match, only to three-putt the 21st hole to lose to Shaun Micheel.

Jim Furyk, the No. 2 seed, was trailing at the turn until he ran off three straight birdies and outlasted Brett Quigley, 2 and 1.

And while the Match

Play left soggy San Diego for the high desert north of Tucson, that didn't help Ernie Els. For the fifth time, the Big Easy was ousted in the first round, making only one birdie in his 4-and-3 loss to Bradley Dredge.

Thomas Bjorn of Denmark summed it up for 31 other guys headed for the airport after losing, 6 and 5, to Trevor Immelman.

"Disappointed to come all the way for that," he said.

Woods was 5 under in the 16 holes he played, making only one bogey. But it was a tougher day than the result showed.

IN BRIEF

Illinois retires controversial mascot Chief Illiniwek

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — The student who had just performed Chief Illiniwek's last dance stood in a tunnel just off the basketball court, still in costume and grimacing to fight back tears.

After 20 years of pressure from activists who found the University of Illinois mascot offensive, the school did away with Illiniwek and his antics. Dan Maloney, a graduate student who portrays the controversial American Indian mascot, performed for the final time in front of students and fans at a men's basketball game Wednesday night.

"If this is the last time — and I stress it," Maloney said. "I couldn't think of a better way for it to end."

The school's decision led the NCAA to lift sanctions that had barred Illinois from hosting post-season sports since 2005.

Pacers Daniels, Tinsley charged in February bar fight

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana Pacers guard Jamaal Tinsley and teammate Marquis Daniels were charged Wednesday in a Feb. 6 bar fight.

A Marion County grand jury indicted Tinsley on a felony charge of intimidation and misdemeanor counts of battery, disorderly conduct and intimidation for the fight at 8 Seconds Saloon, said Matthew Symons, spokesman for the Marion County prosecutor.

Daniels was charged with battery and disorderly conduct, both misdemeanors, Symons said.

Tinsley and Daniels were expected to surrender to authorities Wednesday night, Symons said.

The Pacers play a home game Wednesday night against the Milwaukee Bucks, and team spokesman David Benner said Tinsley and Daniels both were expected to play.

Manning restructures contract to save Colts cap room

INDIANAPOLIS — Peyton Manning has agreed to restructure his contract with the Indianapolis Colts to save the team nearly \$8 million in salary cap space.

The Super Bowl MVP was to receive a \$10 million roster bonus during the offseason but by converting the money into a regular signing bonus, the Colts can prorate that amount over the remaining four years of his deal. That saves Indianapolis space under the cap, which is \$109 million.

The restructuring was disclosed to The Associated Press on Wednesday by a person familiar with the negotiations who spoke on condition of anonymity because the deal had not yet been signed.

Colts spokesman Craig Kelley said the team had no comment.

Manning signed a \$98 million contract in March 2004, the season after he shared the league's MVP award.

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BENGAL BOUTS

Hartstein topples White in 140 lb. slugfest

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

Defense was optional in the match between Keough junior White and Hartstein, a freshman Roo. Hartstein beat White when the ref stopped the fight one minute into the third round.

Round one started with the dorm mates flinging thunderous punches at each other. Although White made an attempt to block some punches, Hartstein connected on a higher percentage of his blows.

In the second round, Hartstein connected with a fury of power punches, forcing White into a standing eight count. White's inability to block and protect his head helped Hartstein control the fight. Hartstein forced White into standing eight count.

Crazy punching continued in the last round, as Hartstein landing shots to both the head and body.

Michael Johnson def. John Thomson

Dillon freshman Johnson beat Thomson, a sophomore from Fisher, in a split decision.

The first round saw Johnson corner Thomson and land an array of punches early in the fight. Johnson made it a point to target both the head and body to make Thomson's blocking more difficult. Although Johnson was taking control of the round, he was having trouble defending, and Thomson was able to land some combinations.

In the second round, Thomson connected several blows forcing Johnson to stumble about the ring. Johnson responded with a string of hooks and jabs, forcing the referee to stop the fight momentarily due to blood on Thomson's face.

In the third round, Thomson began throwing several combinations at Johnson, who was able to successfully counter, due to his quick head movement that enabled him to avoid punches. Johnson finished the match strong with a set of combinations, eventually earning him a split decision.

Nate Dyer def. R.J. Jacobi

In the end, it was Dyer, an off-campus senior, won a unanimous decision over O'Neill sophomore Jacobi on one of the night's most entertaining fights.

Dyer landed several combinations in the first round, forcing Jacobi to block and defend. Dyer also did an excellent job of dancing around the ring to avoid blows and eventually countered with some power punches.

The second round started with the crowd roaring chants of "R.J." that fired the boxer up. However, Dyer stole the thunder from the crowd and fought back with determination, landing several jab-hook combos. Dyer proved to be the flashier fighter, blocking punches well.

Dyer worked Jacobi's body in the last round. However, Jacobi fought on with a serious string of counter punches. Dyer displayed excellent footwork, as Jacobi improved his blocking in the end of the fight. However, his lack of opportunities gave Dyer the nod.

145 lb.

Hull def. Ben Fotsch

In a battle between two Bouts rookies, the Zahmbie freshman Hull took out St. Ed's freshman Fotsch unanimously.

Round one started with Fotsch swinging punches with a lack of

control, to which Hull blocked and countered effectively. Fotsch worked the body, but Hull's reach proved to be useful when attacking his opponent's head.

Both fighters traded power punches in the second round, with Fotsch landing the majority of his attempts. In what was a very close round, Hull continued to use his reach, but his defense deteriorated causing him significant trouble.

The third round began with Fotsch landing several combinations. However, Hull countered with a straight right to his opponent's chest knocking him off his feet. This was the swing of momentum Hull needed to earn him a unanimous victory.

Matt Posluzny vs. Matthew Ireton

Posluzny, sophomore from St. Ed's, pulled off a unanimous over Ireton, an off-campus senior.

Posluzny started with a flurry of strong punches against his opponent. Posluzny used his height

and his reach to frustrate Ireton throughout the fight, causing him to resort to blocking and defensive fighting.

Posluzny came out swinging in the second round. Ireton countered with some punches, but not enough to inflict sufficient damage. Posluzny continued a barrage of combos, causing the referee to stop the fight for a standing eight count. The sophomore from St. Ed's went to a well-timed jab-uppercut combo that caused the crowd to roar — and blood to trickle from Ireton's face.

Ireton resorted to desperate defensive tactics in round three. However, Posluzny's punches proved to be too strong for his opponent. Rival crowds began to get involved and fire up the fighters. Posluzny's supporters had more to cheer about once he finished off the match with a solid combination.

Conor Douglass def. Kent Gonzalez

Douglass, a sophomore from

Sorin, recorded a unanimous win over Gonzalez, a sophomore from O'Neill.

Both boxers traded combinations and counter punched effectively in the first round. They also displayed poor defense in the early going of the match. Douglass attempted to work the body and landed solid hooks inflicting a standing eight count.

Round two saw Douglass land a solid punch, dazing Gonzalez early. However, the sophomore from O'Neill fought back courageously landing some counter-punches. However, it was his lack of defense that enabled Douglass to bleed from the nose forcing another count.

Douglass' windups connected more often than Gonzalez in the third. Gonzalez lost control of the fight after Douglass continued to pinpoint his bloody nose, causing the referees top award the fight to Douglass.

Patrick Kibbe def. Charlie Jain

Kibbe, a sophomore from Knott,

unanimously eliminated Jain, a freshman from Zahm.

Kibbe used his long arms in round one to work his jab and his one-two combinations. The sophomore from Knott also displayed excellent footwork in the ring, as he landed a solid straight forcing Jain into a standing eight count.

Round two saw Kibbe land another wild flurry of punches. Jain tried to counter several times and was only able to do so with a low percentage. Once again, Kibbe used his reach to his advantage, giving his opponent difficulty to get inside and land many punches.

A solid haymaker hook from Kibbe started the final round, and the sophomore began to work the body as well. Jain tried to land some body punches, but his inability to defend Kibbe's combos cost him the fight. Kibbe finished the match with an excellent combo stemming from his jab.

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TENNIS

Henin advances over Paszek in Dubai Open

Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Defending champion Justine Henin advanced to the quarterfinals of the Women's Dubai Open on Wednesday, beating 16-year-old qualifier Tamira Paszek 4-6, 7-5, 6-1.

Paszek was one point from serving for the match in the second set.

"I wasn't feeling very comfortable, very nervous in fact," said the top-seeded Henin, undefeated in four appearances in the event.

Henin will face Eleni Daniilidou in the quarterfinals. Daniilidou beat Ai Sugiyama 5-7, 6-1, 7-5.

Martina Hingis, the 2001 winner, also struggled to advance, beating Anabel Medina Garrigues 5-7, 6-3, 6-4.

In contrast, second-seeded Amelie Mauresmo romped past Vera Dushevina 6-2, 6-2, setting up a quarterfinal with No. 8 Daniela Hantuchova, a 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 (4) winner over Maria Kirilenko 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 (4).

In other second-round matches, third-seeded Svetlana Kuznetsova beat Meghann Shaughnessy 6-1, 7-6 (4), fifth-seeded Jelena Jankovic edged Mara Santangelo 6-3, 7-5, and sixth-seeded Patty Schnyder overcame Alicia Molik 4-6, 6-2, 6-4.

"I wasn't feeling very comfortable, very nervous in fact."

Justine Henin tennis player

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BENGAL BOUTS

Hicks outlasts Wang in unanimous decision

By PAT O'BRIEN
Sports Writer

The fists were flying right off the bat as junior Philip "The Spaniard" Hicks beat sophomore Justin Wang in three rounds by unanimous decision.

Both fighters landed a variety of punches in the first round, but by round two it was all Hicks. Wang put up a good fight, but Hicks' speed was too much.

Steven Sushinsky over Ryan "Sub Zero" Frost

Senior Sushinsky came out with a few haymakers that gave sophomore Frost a bloody nose to start the three round match. Sushinsky won by unanimous decision when he landed a few more tough jabs in the third round.

Lawrence "The Boston Massacre" Sullivan def. Jim "The Camden Buzzsaw" Duffy

The referee ended this one in 45 seconds as the junior Sullivan overpowered his opponent.

150 lb.

Tommy "One Two Three" Forr def. Andrew "Sliced Bread" Klein

The referee stopped this one-sided match early in the second round as Forr, a senior, displayed his experience over Klein, a freshman, as soon as the bell rang.

He came out swinging, and the referee stopped the fight three times before finally calling it.

Paul Mower def. Fran Tolan

Mower, junior, and Tolan, sophomore, fought an equal fight at the beginning, but at the finish, it was Mower who landed more punches and got the judges vote as the unanimous winner in the three rounds.

He proved to have the edge as his speed and skill took over.

Dan "Straight Shooter" McGowan def. Michael Valluzzo

In a split decision that involved early falls and punches throughout the fight, McGowan, senior, overcame Valluzzo, junior, in a pure nail-biter.

Three rounds of punching were almost not enough to decide this fight's true winner. However, McGowan won the judges over after managing to corner Valluzzo and land critical uppercuts.

Alex "Speedy" Gonzalez def. Blake Jones

While sophomore Jones stayed in the fight by landing a few punches, Gonzalez was faster, stronger and connected his blows en route to a three-round unanimous decision.

The fight had to be halted once to stop the bleeding of Jones' nose. As the bout continued, Jones did not seem to be too much.

Joseph "Thor's Hammer" Leary def. Mark Dummett

In a unanimous decision, the sophomore Leary laid his thunderous hammer down on Dummett, a junior

The jabs were flying, and Dummett could not get away from Leary's power. Leary

bloodied Dummett's nose in the third round on a late hit.

Leary signaled that he did not hear the referee's whistle, but the fighters made amends after the match.

Kevin Hederman def. Marty "Ribman" Sandberg

By unanimous decision, the senior Hederman beat freshmen Sandberg. The fight was fairly even, but Hederman threw too many punches on the freshmen.

Brian Tyrell def. Ryan "The Southwest Southpaw" Loughrey

There was a lot of dancing early on in this fight, one that was closer than the unanimous decision indicated.

Loughrey, a freshman, landed a few key punches and forced a hold from Tyrell, a senior, late in the match. However, Tyrell showed his experience, which proved to be an important factor on the first day of the bouts.

He landed a few too many jabs for Loughrey to overcome.

Jesse "Wolverine" Brawer def. Tomas "The Second Coming" Castillo

Castillo, sophomore, put up a valiant effort late in this match, but the three rounds proved Brawer, junior, was the stronger fighter — winning the unanimous decision.

As soon as the match began, Brawer showed his brawn and refused to let up even with the third round second wind from Castillo.

155 lb.

Brian Donoghue def. Brian Droste

In a fight that started with hesitation, Donoghue, a sophomore, won the three-round fight that appeared to be more lopsided than the judges' decision indicated.

Both fighters landed blows, but Droste appeared to tire out faster. The split decision most likely occurred when Droste landed a few punches late in the third round.

Dan "You're In the Lion's Den Now" Rodgers def. Phil MacCart

In this referee stopped contest, Rodgers dominated MacCart with many haymakers and jabs — ending the fight in the first round.

Barely allowing his opponent to move, the furious punching from Rodgers made sure that this bout stopped early.

Mike "A Dish Best Served Cold" Suso def. Alec Rackish

Suso, a senior, came out swinging in his split decision instant classic victory.

It looked as if he would dominate the match as he easily won the first round over the sophomore Rackish. Suso seemed to take control of the second round as well, giving Rackish a bloody lip. However, near the end of the second, Suso began to tire as Rackish stayed strong.

The third round opened with a tired Suso desperately trying to land punches on Rackish. Rackish countered on the exposed Suso, giving him a bloody nose. On an attempted punch by Suso, both boxers lost their balance and fell to the ground. However, the late attempts by Rackish could not help his cause as much as he needed.

Jordan Runge def. Dom Robertazzi

Runge, a senior, and freshman Robertazzi went punch-for-punch early on in this fight; however, conditioning and experience took over in senior's favor.

Runge bloodied Robertazzi's nose in the second round, and the referee was forced to stop the fight in the third.

Mark "The London Blitz" Bond def. Brandon Stewart

Bond, sophomore, ousted graduate student Stewart in a second-round referee stopped contest, even though the fight was close throughout.

However, Stewart appeared to be hurting while holding his abdomen and right arm. The referee noticed this and stopped the fight to talk to Stewart.

He could not go on in the bout, and Bond was credited with the victory.

Nate "The Closer" Barbera def. John Maier

Barbera, senior, dominated the fight until the third round when Maier, freshman, fought back by landing some facial jabs. However, Barbera landed enough punches to pull out the unanimous decision.

Barbera got Maier in the corner early, and a third round onslaught also helped to seal the victory.

Bret "The Mail Never Stops" Shapot def. Avery "The Iron Fish" Scott

The punches came out fast, but the junior Shapot quickly took the advantage by showing his strength and skill while the freshman Scott struggled to get anything going.

Shapot cornered his opponent many times, and he also landed his share of punches. The referee stopped the fight on numerous occasions, but this unanimous decision lasted the full three rounds.

160 lb.

Terry "Don't Blink" Howell def. Jason Miller

This freshmen matchup displayed true boxing prowess as Howell started out with a nice first round of punches. Miller stayed tough in the split-decision, bloodying Howell's lip.

Ryan "Seoul Man" Smith def. Kevin "Double D" Goodwin

This unanimous decision was an even fight early on, but as the rounds wore on, Smith, a senior, separated himself from freshman Goodwin.

Smith once again displayed that experience is essential in Bengal Bouts. Goodwin stuck in

the match and showed his determination in the third round by not giving up his ground.

James "Cupcake" Devereaux def. Kevin "What the Thunder said" Hatstrup

Sophomore James Devereaux came out strong in the first round, landing punches on graduate student Kevin Hatstrup, en route to a unanimous decision win.

Hatstrup, however, did not give up as he started strong in the second round. The punches exchanged, but Devereaux landed more and was the clear, unanimous winner.

Hunter "The Wonder" Land def. Frank "The Tank" Barra

Though senior Barra landed some nice jabs, junior Land proved to be the stronger and more skilled fighter in his unanimous decision victory.

Barra cornered Land a few times, but was plagued by footing problems on the canvas. In the end, Land connected with more punches in this battle of talent.

Nicholas Ponzio def. James "Everything But the Kitchen" Ircink

This three-round boxing match between freshmen Ponzio and Ircink turned out to be one sided as the judges awarded Ponzio the victory in a unanimous decision.

Ponzio continued to corner Ircink and force him into the side ropes. Ircink was helpless as Ponzio landed numerous jabs and haymakers on his opponent throughout the fight.

Parfait Mwez def. Corey Brisee

This senior bout was right down to the wire as Mwez received the split-decision victory in three rounds.

The bout was characterized by periods of rapid punches and then instances of dancing around each other. Brisee slipped to the floor in the first round, but made up for it with a huge haymaker on Mwez.

In the end, Mwez landed just a few more punches according to the majority of the judges.

John "The Highlighter" O'Connell def. R.J. "Il Titano" Tursi

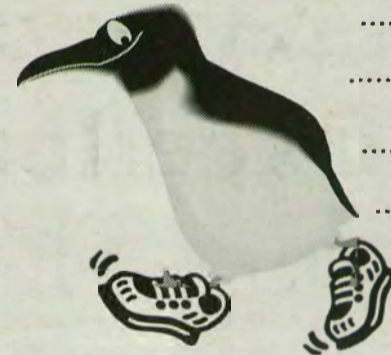
This battle of sophomores turned into another nail-biter as O'Connell received the split-decision vote from the judges.

Southpaw Tursi came in strong, but O'Connell finished with more contact on his opponent.

The whole fight was characterized with a lot of missed punches by both contenders, especially in the third round when the fighters' fatigue began to slow down their movements.

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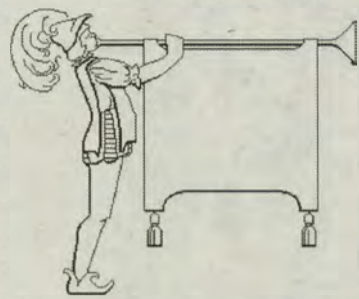
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Hoyas

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I thought we looked for her a little bit more and we found her."

Although D'Amico had improved in the past two games, she was coming off a rough stretch.

"I told myself not to get down," she said. "We won a couple of big games. My teammates have confidence in me, and my coaches do."

The Irish doubled up Georgetown on points in the paint, scoring 36 to the Hoyas' 18. Part of that can be attributed to Notre Dame's defense, which kept the ball outside of the arc for a good portion of the game.

"We did a nice job in man-to-man, I thought, pressuring the ball," McGraw said.

Even when the Hoyas got the ball inside, they had little success. Georgetown shot 33.3 percent from field goal range, the second-lowest percentage for an Irish opponent this season. Only Providence shot worse, hitting 32.5 percent of their field goal attempts on Feb. 17.

Guard Melissa Lechlitner also had a strong performance, scoring 11 points on 4-of-9 shooting.

"As the season goes on, you get more reps in, you get more comfortable," Lechlitner said. "I'm looking for my shot, and my pull up is really starting to fall. It's a confidence and comfort thing."

Notre Dame laid down the law early, employing a full-court press from the Hoyas' first offensive possession. The press was effective; two quick turnovers helped the Irish jump out to a quick 11-0 lead in the first five minutes of the game. The Hoyas' first points came with five minutes gone in the first half on a jumper from guard Shanice Fuller.

Turnovers plagued the Hoyas early. They couldn't

get an offensive possession together before losing the ball.

"[Forcing turnovers is] the thing we do best," McGraw said. "There's been three teams that didn't turn the ball over twenty or more times against us this year. Our pressure's been good, our presses have been good, and we're just really active defensively."

Notre Dame's 29 forced turnovers were the second-most for the team this season. The Irish forced 30 against Michigan on Dec. 1.

The only way Georgetown could run any semblance of an offense was when Notre Dame's defense was not entirely set — an instance that, even with the Irish full-court press, did not happen often.

To offset this, the Hoyas tried to increase the pace of their offense, which to some extent worked. They drew some offensive fouls, but were unable to convert many of the attempts — Georgetown shot just 37.5 percent from the line in the first half. Hoyas guard Kristin Heidloff started running the court and pushing the tempo, but the Irish defense kept the ball on the perimeter and made getting the ball in the paint almost impossible.

The only thing keeping Georgetown in the game was their perimeter shooting. Georgetown was 7-of-16 from three-point range on the night, led by guard Kate Carlin, who hit five and led the Hoyas with 15 points.

At one point, the Hoyas went on a 16-3 run to bring the score to 22-13, thanks to free throws and three-pointers by Heidloff, Carlin and guard Meredith Cox. After that, the Irish went on a 10-5 run to close out the half.

"I don't know if I've ever had a team overachieve as much as this one has," McGraw said. "I'm so proud of where we are."

"There's been three teams that didn't turn the ball over 20 more times against us this year."

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since joining the conference. In addition to the team's record-breaking trip to the semifinals, several Saint Mary's players broke individual records in the victory.

Sophomore forward Erin Newsom pulled down an MIAA tournament-record 21 rebounds to go along with 14 points — her sixth double-double of the season. Senior Bridget Lipke also set an MIAA tournament record, dishing out 11 assists. Junior Alison Kessler led the Belles with 20 points, and in doing so set the Saint Mary's single-season scoring record. Kessler's 484 points so far this season surpassed the 12-year-old record of 476 set by Jennie Taubenheim.

Hope advanced to the semifinals with a solid performance at home, routing Tri-State 85-61. In a complete team effort, all 15 Flying Dutch players scored and grabbed at least one rebound in the win. The Flying Dutch shot 50 percent from the field for the game and posted a strong defensive effort with 15 steals.

The win extended Hope's streak of semifinals appearances to 13 in a row, an MIAA record.

Saint Mary's and Hope met twice in the regular season, with the Flying Dutch winning both games. The first meeting in November was the conference opener for both teams, and Hope easily defeated the Belles at home 67-42. The second game, the Belles 79-71 loss Feb. 17, was a much closer contest.

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Baseball

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Myrtle Beach, S.C. this weekend to take on UNC-Wilmington, TCU and Coastal Carolina. Despite dropping two of their first three games to warm weather teams, the Irish do not think that they are facing a disadvantage.

"I don't necessarily look at it as a struggle or a disadvantage," Notre Dame coach Dave Schrage said of the weather conditions. "I think the more days you could be outside is beneficial to your team, but we have a great indoor facility situation."

The team has been practicing at Loftus to prepare for the games that lay ahead. Schrage said that he thinks working out indoors poses few problems for the team. He said that the team is just as strong defensively as if it were practicing outside — the only challenge the team faces is at the plate, and even that seems minimal.

"The biggest disadvantage really comes when you're talking about your hitting, but last week we didn't look like a team that had not been outside," he said.

Ironically, practicing in Loftus also presents the Irish with the advantage of being accustomed to a field similar to the ones they will face in Myrtle Beach.

"Most of the fields down south are short grass and the balls very similar to what we face here [inside]," Schrage said. "That's what we have to deal with and you have to deal with it in a positive way, and you have to deal with it positively with

your team."

It seems the main focus for Notre Dame is maintaining a positive attitude, considering the Irish had to replace a head coach and their entire three-man weekend rotation this off-season. But to Notre Dame those are all just details — the main focus is on the start of conference play and not what might be holding the team back.

"If the players go into a game thinking that ... we are at a disadvantage, it's not the right approach, so we don't look at it that way," Schrage said. "We're looking at each weekend that we get to get outside to evaluate if we get better from the weekend before. Our guys are trying to get better and we're getting focused to open the conference season."

Schrage noted that weather isn't the only factor ailing the Irish. The team has played far less games than many of its coming opponents — Notre Dame's next opponent, UNC-Wilmington (3-5), has already played eight games while the Irish have only played three.

Despite the forces working against them, Schrage is confident that the team will perform well down South before it enters its Big East season.

"I want to make sure we're playing our better baseball come conference time and at the end of our season than we are right out of the shoot," he said. "Right now we are more focused on how we are playing each game, all the stuff that we are working on inside, we can adapt to outside."

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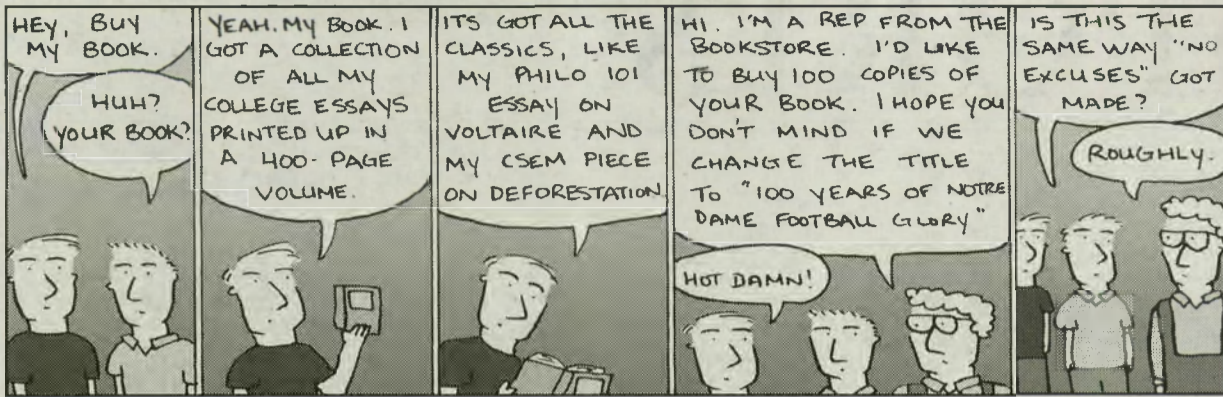
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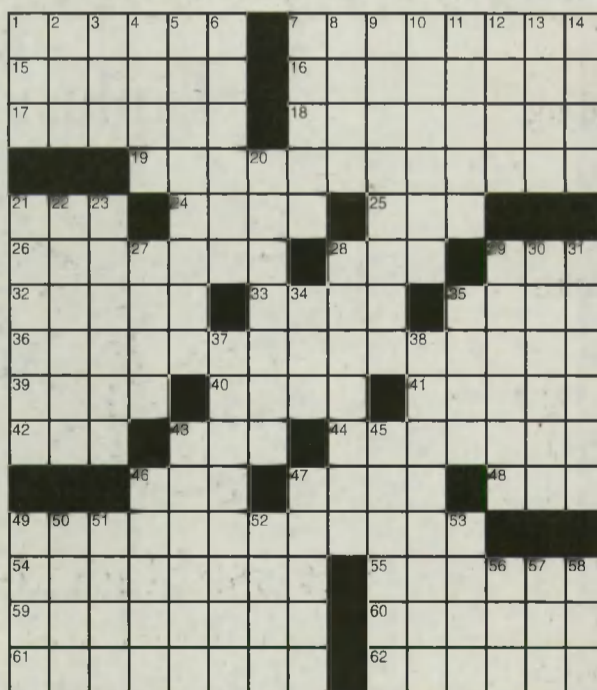
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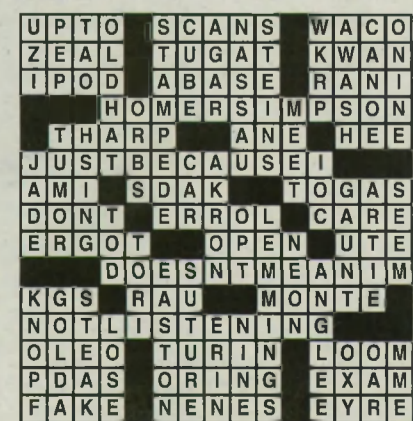
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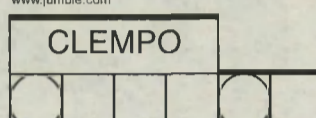
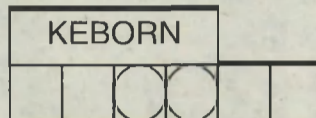
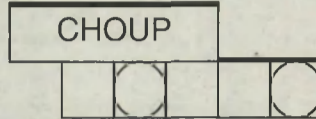
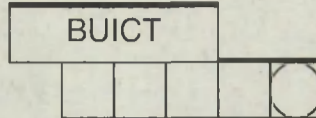
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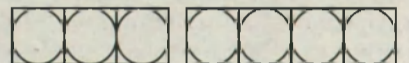
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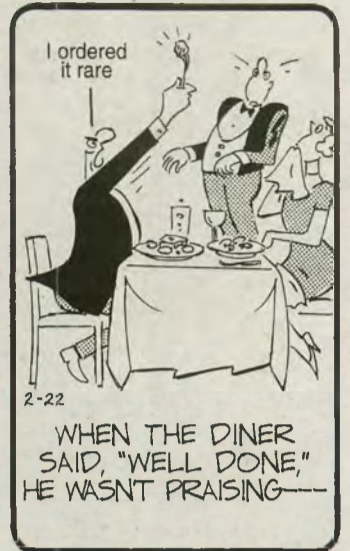


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CANCER (June 21-July 22): Love and romance are looking very positive but avoid getting involved with someone you work with. A setback may be upsetting but, if you are determined, no obstacle will stop you from reaching your goal. ***

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may not like what you see but refrain from being critical. Putting pressure on someone you care about will backfire. Self-improvement will bring far better results than trying to reform others. Meddling will lead to a series of negative events. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Visit someone who can enlighten you about something you want to do. Do your own research and carefully cover every aspect of whatever it is you want to do. Be careful, too many things on your mind will result in minor accidents. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The less risk, the better. Don't let anyone know what your plans are -- today is about taking others by surprise. Brainstorming may result in discovering a gimmick that will be marketable. You are on the right track. **

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Change is upon you even if you aren't relishing the thought. For now, it's best to let things unfold naturally. Your motives may be questioned if you aren't upfront about what you want to do. **

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): If you are too open, you will give your competition the upper hand. Drastic measures will not be the answer once a problem is set in motion. Keep a low profile, be observant and stay in control. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Let your humanitarian side shine through. Being a spokesperson for a problem you have had first hand experience with will do you good. Your inventive ideas will help to bring about long overdue changes. ****

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Sayles rings opponent's bell in first fight of '07, defeats Chapman

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

In the first fight of the tournament, the freshman Michael Sayles pulled out a unanimous victory over the St. Ed's sophomore Ricky Chapman in the 129 lb. division.

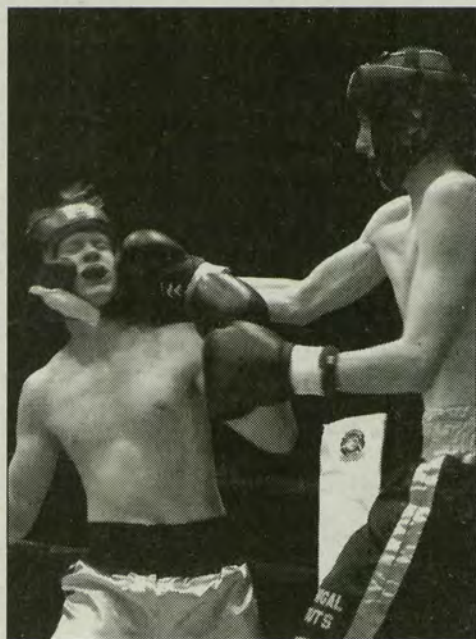
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As the round one bell chimed, the wild punches started the tournament. Sayles, who lives in Sorin College, landed several jabs, setting up his right hooks.

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Topples
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Round two saw Chapman start off throwing punches, but the freshman in the blue corner was able to block most of them. Once Chapman dropped his guard for a

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Above, Mike Howard hits Michael Reeve. At right, Tomas Castillo punches Jesse Brawer.



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SMC BASKETBALL

Third try Hopes to be charm

Belles face Dutch again in tourney

By MICHAEL BRYAN
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's last faced conference rival Hope less than a week ago, falling 79-71 in a tight regular season game at home. In today's conference tournament matchup, much more will be at stake — a place in the MIAA championship.

No. 3 seed Saint Mary's (12-12, 11-6 MIAA) will travel to Holland, Mich., to No. 2 seed Hope. The Flying Dutch (22-3, 13-3) is ranked No. 5 nationally in Division III and is looking to defend last year's MIAA title.

The Belles advanced to the semifinals last Tuesday with a historic win at home over Alma. St. Mary's 66-54 win propelled the team past the first round of the MIAA Tournament for the first time

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish easily defeat Hoyas



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D'Amico puts up 15 as ND cruises, 73-48

By BILL BRINK
Sports Writer

Center Melissa D'Amico had 15 points and seven rebounds during Notre Dame's 73-48 home victory over Georgetown Wednesday in a game characterized by stifling defense and sharp offensive production.

Guard Charel Allen, the high scorer for the Irish in each of the past six games, had only 11 points. The focus of the offense was on D'Amico, who was 6-of-8 from field goal range and hit 3-of-4 free throws.

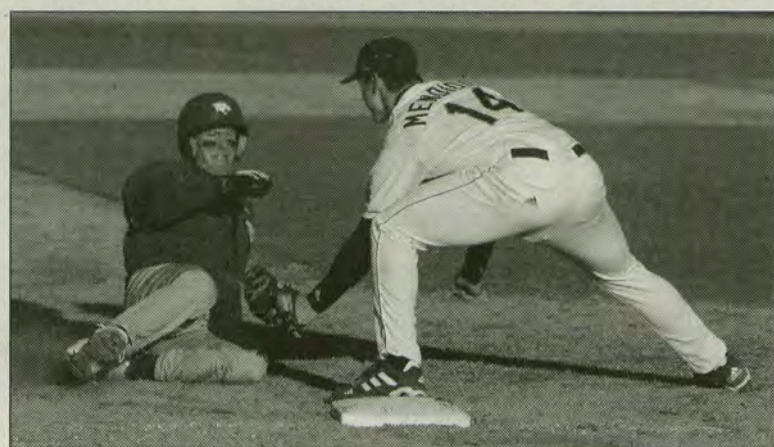
"Mel's playing really well, she's shooting the ball better than anyone on the team," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "We need to get her the ball more. Tonight was a time

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Irish guard Melissa Lechlltner drives to the basket in Wednesday's 73-48 victory over Georgetown at the Joyce Center.

BASEBALL

Notre Dame looks to shake off southern rust



PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Irish sophomore third baseman Eddy Mendiola tags out Chicago St. runner in Notre Dame's 6-4 win April 4, 2006.

By DEIRDRE KRASULA
Sports Writer

Unfortunately there is no spring training in college baseball because Notre Dame's annual early season trip south has started sour.

The Irish first tested the southern weather last weekend when

they traveled to San Antonio, Texas to take on Prairie View A&M and Texas State. Notre Dame started strong defeating Prairie View A&M 15-8 on Saturday but the Irish fell to Texas State 2-1 and 6-0 Sunday to drop to 1-2 on the year.

Notre Dame will head south to

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AT A GLANCE**

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Opening Night

Lawrence "The Boston Massacre" Sullivan knocks out Jim "The Camden Buzzsaw" Duffy in 45 seconds.

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Defending champion Justine Henin struggles past qualifier Tamira Paszek.

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Tiger Woods wins 3-and-2 over J.J. Henry, and Phil Mickleson beats Richard Green in 18.

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Illinois Mascot

The Illini retire their dancing Chief Illiniwek after 20 years of pressure from activists.

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Jamal Tinsley faces felony charge and Marquis Daniels looks at misdemeanor charges.

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Colts salary cap

Peyton Manning restructures contract to give team more room under \$109 million limit.

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