ND honors Prejean with Laetare

Death penalty abolitionist's story inspires popular film

Observer Staff Report

Sister Helen Prejean, the death penalty abolitionist whose autobiograph success, "Dead Man Walking," will receive Notre Dame's 1996 Laetare Medal, as announced by University president Father Edward Malloy. The medal will be presented to Prejean during Notre Dame's 151st Commencement exercises May 19.

"To death row residents, to the families of murder victims, and to our whole society, her words and deeds proclaim the good of life in unmistakable and ever-unsettling terms," Prejean traces her involvement in the issue of capital punishment to her religious community's formal pledge, made public in 1980: "to stand on the side of the poor." Prejean initially hesitated in agreeing to this pledge, she said in her autobiography. However, in 1982, at the request of a friend, she began correspondence with Elmo Patrick Sonnier, a 27-year-old death row resident convicted of murdering a teen-age couple.

As the date for Sonnier's execution approached, she became his close friend and spiritual counselor, eventually witnessing his execution. Since then, she has been equally outspoken as an opponent of capital punishment and as an advocate for victim's rights.

"The most profound moral question of our violent society," she said recently, "is not what to do with the innocent, but what to do about the guilty. We ask, 'Don't they deserve to die?' But the real question should be, 'Do we deserve to kill them?'" she said.

Prejean has accompanied three men to the electric chair and witnessed their deaths. And she continues her ministry to death row inmates and to victims' families today. A founder of "Survive," a victims' advocacy group, she served as a member of the board of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty from 1985-95 and as its chair from 1993-95.

Her nationwide lectures on capital punishment brought her to Notre Dame two years ago as a guest of the students of Kenen Hall.

"Prejean is now an important part of the fabric of our community," said Father Theodore Hesburgh, educator and also serves on the board of Governor's Office.

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Student leaders to focus on diversity in Trustees' report

By JAMIE HEISLER
Assistant News Editor

After requesting input from the student body, a student government committee chose multiculturalism as their theme for the Past Ten Years.

We mean multiculturalism in the purest sense of the word—diverse cultures living together not just minority concerns," said Student Body President Jennifer LeBlanc, President. According to Patrick, in relation to multiculturalism, students mentioned their concern with a lack of focus on different cultures, as well as certain feelings of isolation between members of different cultures.

These concerns were brought to the attention of the committee as a result of a process started early in March, in which student government requested student organizations, as well as individuals, to submit applications expressing issues currently facing the university in order to form a basis for the report.

A student government committee then examined these applications, looking for common concerns among students and found multiculturalism to be the most prevalent. According to Patrick, there were many other concerns presented in these applications including academic concerns as well as women's issues.

The inclusion of non-student government groups in the formation of the Board of Trustees report is an attempt to increase student body representation before the Board of Trustees. In previous years, members of student government alone tax-reached the Board with their report.

"We just brought in more student voices, but in the interest of making the conversation more productive, we decided to focus around a certain topic," Patrick said.

Student government is now asking for a second round of applications from organizations as well as individuals in order to

■ RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

SNC to elect executive board

By MAUREEN HURLEY
Saint Mary's News Editor

Today, Saint Mary's College will elect its 1996-97 Residence Hall Council as part of a competitive board.

The slate ticket running is: Nikki Miles, president; Christine Riesenberg, vice president; Meg Czernik, secretary; and Kim Flomning, treasurer.

Major ideas from the ticket's platform include: an all-school event each semester, working to modify the lottery system for housing, work spring through the residence halls, increasing student support for athletic activities, and working closer with the Board of Governance (BOG).

The ticket stresses their wide range of experience gained on the RHA board. Currently, Miles and Riesenberg serve on the RHA executive board as vice president and secretary, respectively. Cernok is the McCalland Hall representative for RHA and also serves on RHA's publicity committee. Fleming is the McCalland Hall president.

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Sofala endowment received University President Father Edward Malloy blessed a plaque depicting Dante's Divine Comedy as part of a ceremony in the library concourse honoring donors William and Kathernine Dovers. See page 3 for related story.

 Winners of the Laetare Medal for the Past Ten Years

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Dubbed "TeleFile alleviates tax time stress for students"

By CORRINE DORAN
News Writer

As tax time quickly approaches, according to an Associated Press story on Saint Mary's students may find it easier than ever to file with the IRS.

"It works it's a system that makes a lot of sense for a lot of people. It's a win-win situation," Malloy said.

Those eligible to file by telephone will receive TeleFile instructions and a Personal Identification Number (PIN) to use in place of the traditional tax return.

Because of its fairly simple design, the TeleFile system makes sense for those people who are able to get their tax return in a timely manner.

"It makes a lot of sense for a lot of taxpayers if they fit in the parameters," Malloy said.

The TeleFile service is available to single people with no dependents who have taxable income of less than $25,000. To be eligible for the service, a taxpayer must have previ
**World at a Glance**

**Suicide bomber kills Israeli soldier, seven wounded**

TYRE, Lebanon — A suicide bomber from Hezbollah, the Lebanese militant group that has backed Hezbollah blew himself up near an Israeli army convoy in southern Lebanon today, killing one soldier. One Israeli civilian was slightly wounded, the Israeli government said.

Israeli troops came under mortar fire around the same time, the Israeli army said, and gunmen opened up with 155-mm howitzers and 120-mm mortars against a cluster of Shi'ite villages just north of the enclave, according to Lebanese security sources.

In all, just place just weeks after Palestinian militants carried out four suicide bombings in Israel, killings dozens of people, including four bombers. Hezbollah said its attack was in response to an international condemnation hearing held in Israel last week in response to the bombings in Israel.

On Tuesday, Prime Minister Shimon Peres of Israel warned that guerrillas in Lebanon would pay for increasing attacks on Israeli troops, who have controlled southern Lebanon since 1985 in an attempt to curb guerrilla raids on northern Israeli settlements.

"He who tries to harm Israel will be punished, and very quickly," Peres said.

All U.S. Ambassador Martin Indyk called Peres on Tuesday to ask him to hold off cutting off talks on the restarting of the Yitzhak Rabin peace process. "The United States is ready to try to keep the violence from growing." U.S. Ambassador to Israel Zvi查封 also called on Peres to hold off cutting off talks on the restarting of the Yitzhak Rabin peace process.

World Wrap-up

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Cheaper prescription drugs may actually cost more. Los Angeles

Cheaper prescription drugs required by HMOs may actually increase the cost of care, researchers said today, a study published today suggests. The study in the American Journal of Managed Care says the practice, a long-time connection of medical cost control, may access to some drugs is restricted and sometimes the most effective medicines aren't used. More than 40 million Americans belong to managed-care plans that require or encourage their doctors to prescribe drugs from lists of "formularies." The study covered 13,000 patients in six health maintenance organizations. Thomas Purdum, medical director of the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center, offered one example of how such a formulary might increase health-care costs. Standard treatment for the common cold affects one in 30 people with allergic rhinitis. An antibiotic called doxycycline taken four times a day for seven days is $116,000 came from lawyers, lobbyists, accountants, engineers and investors.

No matter how happy you are to see your hotel (place of residence) at the end of the night, make sure you see, stay, and earn where your key stays. When you're fighting for your life at foam sleepers, don't worry that you've been disturbed. Like listening to "With or Without You" with a techno beat.

Lizard mating game discovered

NEW YORK

A complicated mating game is going on in California, played by harem-keeping males, female impersonators and fellas who just want to get along. They're all lizards. Literally. Scientists studying the side-striped lizard in rocky outcrops in the foothills of the Coast Range report that the male mating strategies resemble the child's game "rock-paper-scissors." It showed that the mating strategies that got the most females constantly shifted. Males with orange throat markings are very aggressive and don't take harem-keeping males, females, or two females. When the orange-throats are common, it's a bonanza for the third kind of male, female impersonators with yellow stripes on their throats. These "snakes" invade orange-throated harem for quick sex, avoiding harm because they look and behave like females.

Funeral highlights biker gang war

STENLOESE, Denmark

Their faces cold and expressionless, scores of bikers from a Texas-led motorcycle gang buried a biker Wednesday who was killed in a drive-by of their turf war in Scandinavia. Clad in black leather and riders Harley-Davidson motorcycles, Euro-American and American riders of the Bandidos converged on Stenlose, a sleepy village 22 miles northwest of Copenhagen, where the body of the dead biker was brought to a funeral home.

If something else you want to see your new tattoo, say no.

12) Stay healthy. If you don't feel so good soon morning, have a Bloody Mary.

13) While traveling, don't give the natives your credit card when you've had a few Corones. You might not get it back.

14) Don't go to Bladder Busters at Fun Tuesdays. People bring cameras.

15) Don't be afraid to ask someone to buy you and all of your friends a drink, even if you just met them. You might get lucky.

16) I am responsible of your possessions. If you leave your camera lying around, some crazy might come and take it.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are the author’s and not necessarily those of The Observer.
ND noted as prime site for Dante research

By JILLIAN PAGLIOCCA
Newswriter

At the inaugural celebration of the William and Katherine Devers Program in Dante Studies yesterday, the first annual Devers visiting professor, Agneta Baranski, called the program an "event of monumental importance and a key moment in the whole history of the Dante movement."

Baranski's remarks commemorated the first in a series of events organized in honor of the Devers Program. The Devers Program in Dante Studies was established in 1995 to promote a wide range of scholarly activities at Notre Dame relating to the study of the great Florentine poet, Dante Alighieri. The Dante Program furthers the vision of Father John A. Zahm, who assembled one of North America's finest Dante collections for Notre Dame.

While William Devers, whose only campus connection is his daughter's graduation from the Notre Dame law school, seems an unlikely candidate to fund a program based on a medieval Italian poet, he explains his donation as a means to "get back to my Irish roots."

At a dinner on the 14th floor of the Hesburgh Library, following a mass said by University President Father Edward A. Malloy, William Devers said that he was "very happy that my wife and I took advantage of Mons. Devers's offer to support the program."

As a symbol of the appreciation for the Devers' investment in Dante studies at Notre Dame, a plaque has been placed in the Library Conference Room depicting a trait of Dante in a 1529 version of "The Divine Comedy." The plaque also records the name of the donor.

Baranski, called "the professional 'Dantist,'" attributed the Italian poet's "passionate" enthusiasm for literature. Speaking in the Special Collections reading room in Hesburgh Library, Baranski stressed Dante's voracious appetite for books and how his extensive reading enabled him to create the masterpiece "The Divine Comedy."

In addition to endowing an annual visiting professorship in Dante Studies, the Devers Program also funds rare book acquisitions and supports electronic and print publication of current scholarly research in the field.

Last year the buyers Program made two significant acquisitions in the Dante collection possible. The first was a 1629 edition of "The Divine Comedy," the last to be print-ed in the Renaissance. This hand-bound version of the epic poem was the thirty-ninth to be acquired by the University.

Also acquired through the Buyers Program is a fine quality facsimile of a fourteenth century manuscript. For information on the first floor of Hesburgh Library until May 15.

Attention Hospitality Program
Members -- Past and Present:

Tonight at 8:00 p.m. in Room 138 DeBartolo we will have our final meeting to prepare for April Visitations.

If you did not attend Tuesday night's meeting, please come tonight.

Please bring your personal calendar and a pen.

Questions? Unable to attend? Call:

Colleen Walton
Student Coordinator
4-4707

Jennifer Carrier
Undergraduate Admissions
1-7505

We really need your help, so please make every effort to attend!
U.S. students lag in taking placement tests

By DEB RIECHMANN Associated Press

WASHINGTON

High school students abroad take and pass more demanding tests in such subjects as physics and chemistry than college-bound students in America, a teachers' union says. The figures show a need for tougher standards in this country, the union contends.

"Most states here are working on raising their academic standards," said Alpert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers, which represents 885,000 teachers. "So far, what we see are mostly good intentions, not rigorous standards like the ones students overseas must meet."

The teachers union and the National Center for Improving Science Education released a study Wednesday that compares tests taken by students in Germany, France, Japan, England and Wales with advanced-placement tests - the hardest exams taken by American high school students.

The study, financed with a National Science Foundation grant, found that one-fourth to one-half of students in the foreign countries take the exams. The percentage of students who pass them varies from 25 percent in England, Wales and Germany to a little more than 30 percent in France and Japan.

In contrast, 8 percent of American 18-year-olds took the tests in chemistry, physics or some 15 other subjects in 1995, and only 5 percent passed, the report said. U.S. high school students can earn college credit by doing well on these tests.

"Why aren't we up there?" Shanker asked. "In all the other countries, there are high stakes attached. If you want to go to college, you have to pass this test."

"In the U.S., you clearly don't have to take any advanced-placement test or score at any particular level to be admitted to the overwhelming majority of our colleges and universities."

Gerald Bracey, director of the Alliance for Curriculum Reform, an Arlington, Va.-based umbrella group of 30 educational associations, says it's not fair to make international comparisons of these tests for that very reason. Abroad, they may not even examine entrance exams, while in the United States, they are voluntary, he said. Make them mandatory in America, and the results would be much different.

Also, while the number of U.S. students taking the tests has risen from 98,000 in 1975 to 463,000 in 1995, some school districts are just beginning to offer advanced-placement courses, which tend to attract students who choose to take the tests, Bracey said.

The Notre Dame Council on International Business Development would like to congratulate all members who were awarded internships for the summer of 1996:

Alaska--U.S. Dept. of Commerce
Dean Roy, Tom Asci

Argentina--Obten Corporation
Susie Yang

England--Market Access
Ben Gray, Dave Buckley

England--H&M Partners
Rick Rembusch, Pat Maciariello

England--Bank of Montreal
Mary Schroeder

England--Waste Management
Amanda Maurer

England--MHI Limited
Kathleen Jordan

England--Arthur Andersen
Elizabeth Strick

England--Merrill Lynch
Brian Saldeen, Jennifer Nettesheim

Estonia--Estonian Shipping Co.
T. Ryan Murphy

Estonia--Estonian Bank
Carrie Stewart

Estonia--Estonian Government
Tom Snider

Estonia--Dvigatel
Chris Hanson

Germany--ABB
Jason Subler, R. Jacob Bump

Ireland--Citibank
Mark O'Carroll

Ireland--IBM
Rebecca Calice

Ireland--Janssen Pharmaceutical
Kathleen Zimmer

Ireland--Waterford Crystal
Erin McMahon, Kim Shively

Ireland--Jefferson Smurfit
Jeremy Heckman

Ireland--H.J. Heinz
Tom Roderick, Sarah Stock

Mexico--Hylsa
Carrie Cook, Ana Gutierrez

Italy--Waste Management
Christian Harsina

Russia--Alfa Capital
Denise Campbell

Russia--AT&T
Lisa Kachko, Katie Bellock

Russia--Morozyov Project
Catherine Mullally, Emily Locher

Russia--Honeywell
Matt Murray

Slovakia--Tatra Bank
Bob Belden

France--Arthur Andersen
Kim Tonto

NDCIBD would like to thank all those who applied for summer internships. This year's selection process was extremely competitive with a field of highly qualified applicants. Interns were selected on the basis of Council involvement, strength of academic and professional record, and specifications particular to each firm. NDCIBD is open to students of all classes and majors--Come learn more about our organization on Saturday March 23 at 1:30 in the Knights of Columbus Building. The World is Waiting!
CAMPUS MINISTRY...

WHAT'S THE FUTURE OF THIS RELATIONSHIP?

They were both seniors. They had dated for almost two years. Graduation was looming. They both were interviewing for jobs. They felt that this relationship was special; they were serious about each other. But they just weren't sure what the next step was. Should they get engaged now or should they work for a while?

If you are in a significant relationship perhaps you’d like to attend the program this semester.

"What's the Future of this Relationship?" will take place Sunday, March 31. Pre-registration is required. Registration papers can be obtained in both Campus Ministry Offices (Library Concourse and Badin Hall). Registration deadline is Thursday, March 28. The program is limited to 25 couples. There is no cost for the program. If you have any questions, please call Chris Ezell, Sylvia or John Dillon 631-5242.

Immigrants rush for green cards

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT

WASHINGTON

Thousands of legal immigrants, some responding to rumors of mass deportations, rushed to federal offices nationwide Wednesday to renew expiring “green cards.”

Immigration officials said there was no threat of penalties against those with expired cards.

Since late 1993, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has asked those with permanent resident alien permits issued before 1979 to renew their green cards. But word apparently failed to reach many.

“I heard nothing ... whatsoever, not until 6 a.m. on the radio,” Larry Healy, a 67-year-old retired railroad worker originally from Ireland, said as he waited in line at the Los Angeles INS office.

“If I had known about it, I would've come one month, two months ago,” Healy said. “I'm retired. I have nothing else to do.”

Standing next to Healy, 31-year-old South Korean native Sunmi Choi said she only learned of the deadline when her mother woke her and rushed her off downtown.

“I dropped everything and came down here,” she said.

An INS spokesman in San Antonio expressed some skepticism that latecomers weren't aware of the deadline. "We've been in this roughly two years and these folks have had a lot of time to get in and do this," said spokesman Ray Dudley. "A lot of them will say 'I just heard.' But actually, I think they just waited until the last minute.

Still, there was confusion about which document had expired.

Kim Ogden, an INS spokesman in Dallas, said many who showed up at that office were worried that other immigration documents were expiring.

And rumors were circulating of "mass deportations" for holders of expired cards, he said.

Lack of a new green card doesn't change a person's status as a legal resident. But failure to obtain a new card could pose problems for those who travel abroad and then try to return to the United States, as well as for legal immigrants applying for benefits with the now-expired document.

The INS began the card-replacement effort in November 1993 in an attempt to deter counterfeiting of the green card.

"We feel that in the 40 months that this program has existed, we have in fact made various and numerous attempts to make sure that the public understood and knew what the requirement was and that we have given them ample time to request replacement," said INS Deputy Commissioner Chris Sale.

Of the 1.5 million people estimated in 1993 to be holders of the older cards, probably 200,000 to 300,000 have yet to replace their documents, Ms. Sale said.

Before 1979, there was little consistency in issuing green cards — a misnomer as the cards haven't been green since World War II and the latest ones are pink.

Often, the cards were cranked out on typewriters with the photograph affixed with tape and then laminated. The latest version, dating to 1990, require a thumb print and a signature and can be scanned by machine.
The last storm of winter pounded the Midwest yesterday with up to 15 inches of snow and wind whistling at 57 mph, stranding travelers in snowbound cars and leaving more than 250,000 customers without power.

Schools were closed yesterday in Michigan into Indiana had to postpone yesterday's statewide tornado drill. It was reset for Thursday.

The storm that began Tuesday was blamed for nine statewide tornadoes.

Because of all the snow and wind Friday afternoon, savannah Akins could say he didn't know if the sun was directly over Woodburn, Ky.

Fire Chief Garland Richardson said he didn't know if Connie Birch, a dispatcher with the Hendricks County Sheriff's Department, had been able to reach her home.

Drifting snow stranded 73 travelers along a highway 25 miles west of Indianapolis, said Cindy Birch, a dispatcher with the Hendricks County Sheriff's Department.

The storm that began yesterday in Michigan into Indiana, one in Michigan, two in West Virginia and four in Kentucky.

The snow drifts were up to 6 feet high on some rural roads in Kentucky, state police reported. "The roads that are passable are slick and hazardous. Two-lane roads are down to one lane," said Jeff Wardlow of the Indiana State Police.

And see a reflection of the Lord's blessings bring you much happiness and success in the coming year.

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THE CATHOLIC COIN

Thursday, March 21 • 7-8:30 pm

Living the Social Teachings of the Church

What are the social teachings of the Church? How do we make them a part of our lives as Catholics? We hear and see a lot about social action; what does it mean in our daily experience? Rev. J. Bryan Hehir will reflect with us on the role service can play in our lives and how each of us can better respond to the message of the Gospel.

Panel Members
Rev. J. Bryan Hehir, Professor, Harvard Divinity School, formerly served in Washington, DC at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
Music Ministers
Pangborn Hall Choir

Sunday, March 24 • 7-8:30 pm

How Do I Get Involved in Service?

There are many service organizations in the South Bend area. A panel of members from our Notre Dame community, devoted to lives of service and prayer, will share with us how they answer the call to service in their own lives. Come listen to our panel share their experiences of how enriching service can be.

Panel Members
Isaac Duncan, La Casa de Amistad
Colleen Knight, Mexico Seminar
John MacLeod, Head Basketball Coach
Karen Schulte, Diomas House
Music Ministers
The Campus Mariachi Band

Each session will include: An experience of prayer • Presentation by speaker or panel • Refreshments

March 21, 24, 1996 • Chapel of the Holy Cross • Keenan-Stanford Hall, 7-8:30 PM

Students are welcome to attend all three sessions or as many of the three as they can.
GOP leaders, Clinton to talk budget balancing

By DAVE SKIDMORE

WASHINGTON

Republican congressional leaders went to the White House to meet with President Clinton today in what the administration said could be the start of a last-ditch effort to compromise on a balanced budget.

The GOP lawmakers responded to an invitation from Clinton for discussions just one day after he unveiled his 1997 budget.

On their way to the White House, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and House Majority Leader Richard Armey, R-Texas, said they also wanted to talk to Clinton about other items that remain hung up between Congress and the president.

They include welfare reform, overhauling immigration laws, a product liability bill and spending for the District of Columbia.

The GOP leaders said they also wanted to talk to Clinton about possibly attaching the line-item veto, regulatory reform for small business and higher benefits for working Social Security recipients to must-pass debt-limit legislation.

"Hopefully, we can do some business," said Dole, who Tuesday night clinched the GOP presidential nomination.

The leaders also said they want to avoid a new federal shutdown this weekend, when temporary spending authority for many agencies expires.

Congress and the president are trying to complete a compromise bill that will finance the programs for the remaining six months of fiscal 1996.

"The three of us will make the case we ought to keep the government open," said Gingrich.

White House aides, making the rounds of television network news shows, said today the talks may be the last chance this year for both parties to reach a budget compromise.

"We have been through the Republican primary season. There is a small window of opportunity to try to work together for the nation," White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta said on Fox morning news.

"There's a window of opportunity here where we can really get some work done," White House spokesman Mike McCurry told reporters.

"It's not going to be open very long. It certainly will be closed if we all begin campaigning by 6 o'clock tonight, so we hope we don't end up in that position.

"For his part, Clinton used the release of his election-year budget earlier Tuesday to tell Republicans once again that they could strike a balanced-budget deal if only they would accept his smaller tax-cut proposal and less-severe savings in Medicare, Medicaid, education, environmental protection and other Democratic priorities.

"We must seize the opportunity we now have to give the American people a moment of real bipartisan achievement," Clinton said.

However, Gingrich, recalling the protracted budget stalemate of the past year that produced two partial government shutdowns, said, "We passed a balanced budget; Clinton vetoed it. Who's he kidding?"

Even as the president was outlining his 1997 spending blueprint, the Senate was struggling Tuesday to bring the ugly, month-long brawl over the 1996 budget to a close.

It passed, 79-21, legislation providing $166 billion to operate dozens of agencies and departments through the fiscal year that ends Sept. 30. A week and a half ago, the House passed a much more austere version.

Now, if they are to avoid another shutdown, lawmakers from both chambers must iron out a compromise that Clinton won't veto.

That likely won't be done until next week and, in the meantime, GOP leaders plan to send Clinton a stopgap spending bill keeping the government running through March 28.

Senate Democrats, supported by moderate Republicans, succeeded in adding more than $3 billion— not in the House bill— for environmental protection, education and job-training.

The White House publicly ignored the Senate action and instead focused on the president's 1997 budget that claims to eliminate annual deficits by 2001 or 2002, depending on whether the administration's economic projection or the more pessimistic Congressional Budget Office forecast is used.

Like Republicans, Clinton offers a tax cut, and both bills, at roughly $100 billion, is about half the size of the GOP's.
Clinton to testify by videotape in trial

GOP appears to soften demand on Senate inquiry

By MARCY GORDON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Senate Republicans appear to be softening their demand that the chamber's Whitewater investigation be extended at least until the middle of July. But the Democrats refused to go along with the GOP leader's new suggestion to end it a month earlier.

The partisan dispute has dragged on for weeks. Democrats want a quicker end to the special committee's inquiry, which began last July with a mandate that expired on Feb. 29.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, interviewed Tuesday night on ABC News' "Nightline," said he believes the investigation should be wrapped up "fairly soon.

"I think by mid-June," said Dole, who is presiding over a Republican front-runner. "I think we can come to some agreement. ... We can try to get an agreement to end it by June 15.

Dole's Democratic counterpart, Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., told reporters today, "We've been talking but so far there is no resolution."

He said Dole's June 15 proposal had not been formally presented to the Democrats.

"We're prepared to find ways that will end this in a meaningful way by the end of May, but we will not go beyond the end of May. That's long enough," Daschle said.

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WASHINGTON
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Dole to make Senate his bully pulpit

By MIKE FEINSILBER
Associated Press

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What comes is the selection of a running mate—a delicate matter in a divided party—and a renewed threat of a Ross Perot third-party candidacy. Solid victories in four Midwestern states on Tuesday, coming exactly a month after a humiliating loss to commentator Pat Buchanan in New Hampshire, nudged down the party's nomination for the 72-year-old Dole. He had first sought it 16 years ago.

"The moral of the story is if you... don't give up too easily, you can still make it," Dole said in an interview broadcast today on "CBS This Morning."

"It's scary in the sense that you want to be sure you can do it," he added. "I'm convinced I can."

With Buchanan reduced to nuisance status, Dole is planning to make the Senate his bully pulpit—and is also planning to give himself a week off sometime soon in the Florida sunshine. But for now "I'm going to be a full-time senator," Dole said, in line with his strategy of using his Republican leadership position to carry the fight to President Clinton.

Both of the November rivals are leaders within the government, so each is able to undercut—or cooperate with—the other, intertwining even more than usual the business of government with the requirements of politics.

Independent party wants Buchanan

By JAY JORDEN
Associated Press

DALLAS

With the GOP presidential nomination out of reach for Pat Buchanan, an independent party today began a nationwide effort to get on the November ballot and invited the commentator to top its ticket.

While in the past Buchanan has told the U.S. Taxpayers Party that he prefers to run as a Republican, the candidate's Dallas-Fort Worth chairman called it an option in continuing his campaign.

"The Taxpayers Party will try to get on in 50 states. If that happens, Mr. Buchanan will have to consider something and he will consider it strongly," said Tom Staley, North Texas chairman for Buchanan.

"It would be hard to turn down...a party who likes and wants you," he said.

Meanwhile, Buchanan continued to campaign today in California for next week's primary even after Dole earned enough delegates to secure the GOP nomination.

The party wants to be qualified on the ballot in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

"We learn to build houses by building houses; to play the harp by playing the harp; to be just by doing just acts."

-Aristotle

Congratulations and thanks to the over 120 participants in

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who represented the University of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College during Spring Break in service and experiential learning at fourteen sites across the nation.
Germany debates limits on grants for citizenship
By PAUL GEITNER
Associated Press
BERLIN
Germany is struggling with record unemployment, a stagnant economy and a ballooning federal deficit. So why, the leader of the political opposition asks, should the country grant automatic citizenship — and all the welfare benefits that entails — to more than 200,000 immigrants from the former Soviet Union each year, just because they come from German soil?

The question, posed last month by Social Democratic Party chairman Oskar Lafontaine, unleashed a tempest in Germany, where a surge of anti-foreigner violence that followed unification in 1990 has only recently subsided.

Critics from across the political spectrum accuse Lafontaine of resorting to demagoguery in the hope of winning votes in Sunday's local elections in the lower Volga region.

Lafontaine insists he's only facing facts. With a jobless rate of more than 11 percent, "we just can't bring more and more workers to Germany," he said in a newspaper interview last week.

A recent poll found more than 11 percent, most from the former Soviet Union.

The government estimates another 2.2 million are eligible to come.

"We never felt like Kazaks," J Faustmann said.

The quake and 68 aftershocks of up to magnitude 5.1 caused 50,000 buildings to collapse and cracked a dike, government seismologists said.

Many people were at home when the quake struck at 11 p.m. (10 a.m. EST).

Seventeen of those killed were children under the age of eight, said Bake Aji, director of the Kashgar Seismology Bureau.

They were home watching television and couldn't get out fast enough," Bake said. Most houses in the region are one-story dwellings made of baked mud bricks and topped by wooden beams and mud that could cause heavy casualties if they collapsed.

Love,
Mom

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ND Jerusalem '95

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God in Life

Christiane Likely has done it again. While she surely desires racial tolerance and acceptance, her writings unfortunately preach pessimism and division. In her most recent article (“Republican whiner and white”). March 14 she desperately attempts to tie the deplorable actions of “one sicko Neo-nazi” to the “whole Republican Party.” That connection certainly doesn’t seem to hold.

Also, Likely’s examples of hate and ignorance are knee-deep in false assumptions. First of all, Chicago Tribune columnist Mike Royko’s controversial piece concerning Pat Buchanan and Mexico was political satire, intended to poke fun at Buchanan’s extremist stance, as well as at voters’ apathy to fall prey to such demagoguery. It is unfortunate that a few overzealous leaders were able to incite the latino community into believing this column to be racist.

Furthermore, Pat Buchanan is not the Republican party’s only wrong he has in fact been repudiated not only by the vast majority of Republican voters in the nation but also by such prominent party members as Newt Gingrich, Bob Dole, William Bennett, Colin Powell, and William F. Buckley Jr. Pat Buchanan is a populist, not a conservative, and disparages such conservative notions as free trade and Wall Street. The Republican party is the party of Lincoln and Reagan, the party of optimism, responsibility, and economic growth, not the party of Buchanan. Opposition to the high taxes and crime her colleague complains about has always been firm planks in the Republican platform.

Worst of all, Likely’s column drips with pessimism. While I agree that many parts of our society are sick, I believe it is slowly but surely getting better. Few would deny the wounds committed by the United States over its history, but despite these, it is hard to forget the advantages of living in the United States. Pessimism only maintains the status quo.

JIM SCHUELLER
Junior
Koran Hall

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Church and state collide in open court

Abdul-Rauf: A Likely story

Like most Observer readers, I enjoy Christiane Likely's "in My Neighborhood" columns a lot. You can't help but feel some sense of kinship with her, especially when it comes straight from the mean streets of Queens, where for years Father Gillis ruled. Now that Father Gillis has retired, she is probably my second-favorite Observer columnist. By the way, did you know her last name is a mystery to me, Christiane. (Why she doesn't use a title playing off her retired, she is probably my second-favorite but that's okay. Matt Applepage systems." You know what? I don't find this surprising-ly Christiane Likely seems to have exactly the same perspective on things. This is easily explained. Here is the explanation. They are both self-righteous, spoiled, adolescent bullies. I don't mind being harbored on account of my privi-leges, but I can't stand the excessiveness in which liars, or even the color of my skin. Even the naked animal, whatever time I turned on the tv, radio or tried to read the paper, I was besieged by "Abdul-Rauf." The Nuggets guard Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf's Kurdistan to stand during the National Anthem would have been the most ridiculous spectacle of the past week, were it not for the gaggle of communi-tarians falling all over themselves to defend Abdul-Rauf's "freedom of expression." Not only does the United States Constitution not protect this purported "protest," Abdul-Rauf's almost instantaneous concession on the issue calls into serious question whether there was ever a "protest" to begin with. Calling the American flag a "symbol of oppression and tyranny," Abdul-Rauf's initial protest was a gaffe. Abdul-Rauf didn't want to cost his NBA career in March 14 and 15 the day between the NBA's announcement of the suspension of Abdul-Rauf's concession. In other words, after several months and 62 days of refusing to sing the National Anthem, Abdul-Rauf caved almost as soon as his actions would have cost him anything but his standing. The Nuggets' game on March 12—the day the suspension was announced. The ridiculousness of the whole situa­tion does not result merely from the fact that it was a "protest," this country has a long, proud history of—and indeed was founded on—protests and fights against injustice. What's ludicrous is the spectacle of this 27-year-old criticizing the "oppression and tyranny" of the United States—a country which guarantees the world's most profound free­doms to those who protest against it and a country which enables Abdul-Rauf to make $2.6 million per year to play bas­ketball. While many black Americans continue to suffer injustice, the absurdity of Abdul-Rauf's protest is that its set­ting was the NBA, perhaps the world's most privileged cultural collec­tion, millionaires, most of whom are black. It's not even the absence of principled or intellectual underpinning, I can see why Abdul-Rauf may have engaged in such a charade. Consider the often the strongest (witness Saint Louis Cardinals'Ozzie Smith) and the least well known players in the sport, for example. Does anyone seriously think that Stan Van Gundy coached his high school class­mates in the mid-1980s. and there's a new movie about the most ridiculous spectacle of the past month in its history. but there's certainly no getting around the fact that it is my country and that I can't stand the excessiveness in which liars, or even the color of my skin. Even the naked animal...
STING

Mercury Falling

There are many things that make Sting one of the preeminent songwriters of his generation. Among them are his unpretentiousness. Dream of the Blue Turtles was a jazz-pop...Nothing Like the Sun was politically charged jazz-pop...Then came 1991's The Soul Cages. Written in the wake of great personal turmoil, Fierce Creatures, one of Sting's greatest works, is still the greatest album to receive a Grammy. In Sting's last effort, Tiger Bay, a much lighter pop album that was happier than Cages and much less musically adventurous than Tiger Bay, there was a few missteps, but it was evident that the catharsis that was Cages was a one-time masterpiece. Sting's new album, Mercury Falling, shows that the singer/songwriter is still very much in demand.

Sting is no longer "the brooding young man." At least, not anymore. He is now a very different, more mature Sting. His voice is a bit more seasoned, which some may say is a bit more appealing.

As the tracks span five years, the maturing of Cracknell's voice is clearly heard. "Only Time," follows the same path. The rest of the album is not as memorable. Gratuitous horns are used to backing overlaid by lush vocals. The majority of Dino fans with its darker, heavier sound. And then there's "La Belle Dame Sans Regrets." It's wonderful that the song was used as the main hit song, but that means he should.

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Interesting new subtle and admirable degree of restraint. This latter track is one of the highlights of the album; a work encompassing the sadness of loving and losing set to a dynam-ic backing overlaid by lush vocals. Saint Etienne are one of those groups who effortlessly provide many memorable and quotable lines, from the mournful "she adored me like a motorway...dull, gray, long, and the intimate "she doesn't dream like a movie, she's the softness of cinema seats," to the bizarrely cryptic "he said her skin smelled just like pebbles." These ensure that whatever the status of the group, they will be remembered for a long time.

We are left with an album that could have been stunning but is merely very good. If classic and subtle English pop music is in your musical diet, then this is a great addition. It is a useful introduction. The group's previous works are all of exceptional quality, and Too Young To Die represents an adequate and rejuvenated version of the ensemble.

-by Christian Stein

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The Windy City was truly miserable but Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers turned on conscious party for those who came in from the cold. While the stage visage of Hale Souza kept a watchful eye on the proceedings the Aragon crowd skanked to the positive vibrations of one of the tightest reggae acts in the business. True to their Rastafarian roots, Ziggy and the Melody Makers put on a righ
eous performance that bore witness to, and to some degree embodied, their vision of cosmic unity.

Julian and Damian Marley, supported by the fantastically tight Uprising band, brought their unique combination of dance hall and reggae to Chicago's Aragon Ballroom. For three precious hours, united one nation—wants to get funk'd up. The failsafe "Get Up, Stand Up." The tour moniker, "Free Like A Bird," was prefaced with a sense of the evils of drugs—"No crack, no morphine, no cocaine"—and concluded with the chorus of "My Generation." The fact that Ziggy was sporting a checkerboard shirt didn't matter—I just didn't thing to diminish the irony of the moment. At this point in the evening, some of my followers started to leave the flow. The fresh-faced youth in front of me began something—like a reggae version of the English breakfast. As his friends said, "The dude wasn't, like, totally cool." Then the giant bald dude on the side of the stage told the audience to get off their high fiber floor. But everyone was fairly happy at this stage and they didn't mind really. Meanwhile the energy from the stage was keeping those still standing engaged. Ziggy Marley, who shared much of the singing duties with his older brother Stephen, threw in the inspiring cut of "No Woman, No Cry," which featured the soulful voice of Cedella Marley. From here on in the hits just kept on rolling down as the energy-level went up. The failed "I Shot The Sheriff" was followed by a sofa reworking of the 1988 classic "Tumblin' Down" and a very livetached treatment of "Get Up, Stand Up." The tour moniker, "Free Like A Bird," came across with passion and urgency, while "Move It" persuaded the crowd to do just that with the fastest funk groove Chicago has seen since George Clinton became a grandaddy. Ziggy stripped things back with the bare and honest cry of "Justice." A stand-out track from One Bright Day cut from the same cloth as "Redemption Song." But the party was not over yet as the band broke it down for a tougher-than-tough crowd. "Look Who's Dancing" with some of the wildest on-stage dancing one is likely to see this side of Shiloh. The impressive positvity of "Could You Be Loved?" sent the crowd back into the cold Chicago night.

Ziggy Marley has not inherited his father's genius but he has surely inherited the Marley gift of touching the heart by moving the dancing feet. After the crowd's slackness and superficial sensation which characterizes ragga and dancehall, Marley's spiritual connectedness, as naive as it undoubtedly is, is welcome relief. For three hours the crowd at the Aragon, black, white and every shade in between, was jamm'in in a spirit of unity for 'unity'. And that must surely count for something.
Leighton Leahy called his assistant to continue the negotiations.

Associated Press

ST PETERSBURG, Fla. Rookie Mike Liberatore homered here Tuesday night in the Philadelphia Phillies beat St. Louis 2-1, Wednesday the Phillies hit the Cardinals their seventh straight exhibit.

Liberatore, the Phillies’ back- up catcher, had a sacrifice fly in the second inning and led off the fourth against Dennis Eckersley with an opposite-field single that went off the right fielder Mark Whitaker. In the fifth inning, Liberatore was in the pinch for the first time this season and drove up two runs in nine innings.

Manager Davey Johnson sent two in the ninth inning, his longest outing of the spring, for the Phillies. Liberatore’s single was a run, lowering his ERA to 4.50.

Winner Dave Leiper allowed a run on two hits in his one inning. The Phillies snapped an eight-game losing streak where Doug Jefries scored from third on Todd Holland’s sacrifice fly. Jefries’ three-run homer, the first of the season for a long-haired, left-handed hitter, marked Whitaker’s debut.

Spring training is our only hope for happiness and, as a result, the aloofness of the Phillies is not surprising.

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Carlton, who left in the seventh inning, allowed two runs and five hits in two innings while walking three and striking out seven. Mike Harkley allowed two runs in two innings, then Todd Worrell and Mark Guthrie held Montreal hitless over the final three.

Piazza also doubled in the first, and Brett Butler and Nomar Garciaparra hit back-to-back singles apiece for the Dodgers.
Rivalry is renewed as Knicks down Pacers, 102-99

By CHRIS SHERIDAN

Associated Press

NEW YORK

John Starks pointed at his chest, nodded his head and pranced downcourt in an exaggerated gesture after making a crucial 3-pointer.

Reggie Miller punched a television set.

Obviously, things went better for the New York Knicks on Wednesday night than they did for the Indiana Pacers.

Starks made two clutch plays in the final 3 1/2 minutes and Miller didn't, and the Knicks began a tough stretch of five games in eight days with a 102-99 victory over the Pacers.

"It felt like a playoff atmosphere here tonight," said Starks, who has engaged in several playoff duels with Miller and the Pacers in recent years.

"It felt good to be getting back to the way we're used to playing," Miller said.

Starks and Miller refrained from any trash talk this time, but still tried to outdo each other. Starks got the better of this one, scoring 19 points on 6-of-8 shooting, including 4-of-6 from 3-point range, and getting a key assist in the final two minutes.

Miller had 25 points, but he missed wide-open 3-pointers with 1:04 and 50 seconds left when the Pacers had a chance to get within two points. Miller, who finished 8-of-22 from the field, also punched the television set at the end of the first half after missing another pair of 3-pointers.

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By TIM DAHLBERG

L.A. VEGAS

Georgetown basketball coach John Thompson, bowing to the wishes of his university president, today said he had reconsidered his slot machine player, applied for a Nevada gaming license.

Thompson had planned to operate slot machines at the Las Vegas airport but was told by the Rev. Leo O'Donovan, the university president, that he couldn't do that and remain a coach.

"Our position is that it is inappropriate for an active Georgetown University coach to have investments in the gaming industry," said the Rev. Leo O'Donovan, Georgetown's president.

Thompson, in Atlanta to coach Georgetown in the NCAA East regional, said he had reconsidered after speaking with O'Donovan.

"He is a person who has been extremely supportive and a person who I love very dearly because he's permitted me to be me," Thompson said. "I have decided to drop it."

Thompson, an avid Las Vegas slot machine player, applied for the license months ago to join a Las Vegas casino owner in the company that operates a lucrative string of 1,000 slot machines at McCarran International Airport.

But news of his planned entry into the gaming industry was greeted jealously by both the university and the NCAA.

NCAA executive director David Dempsey said it would be "ill-advised for anyone connected to college sports to be involved, even peripherally, with gambling interests."

Dempsey also said he had "strong concerns about the image statement that this makes about the sport and about him as a coach."

Thompson wants to own 10 percent of a company controlled by Michael Gaughan that runs the slot machine concession at the Las Vegas airport. Gaughan is the principle stockholder in a company that owns two casinos, but the slot machine concession is separate from the casinos.

Gaughan's son, Breanda, is a senior walk-on guard on the Georgetown team, which Dempsey said could be a further invitation to controversy if the team doesn't play well in a big game.

"If your team competes and doesn't play to the caliber that it's capable of playing, there's going to be the question of whether or not the game had been fixed," Dempsey said. "I just open up a tremendous suspicion, I think, that is not necessary."

Gaughan said Tuesday he has known Thompson for 15 years, and the Georgetown coach is a regular slot machine player at the Gold Coast hotel-casino, which Gaughan owns.

"He loves Las Vegas. He comes here for recreation," Gaughan said. "He wanted to know if there was something he could get involved with here."

McCareen business manager Larry Larson said the slot machine concession is the airport's most lucrative, bringing in some $20 million to airport coffers last year. Gaughan, however, said it was a minor business compared to the casinos.

"John just loves to play slots," he said. "'I've got 1,000 little old ladies out there who know him by his first name, the aircraft carrier, but if you ain't a guard who can play defensively and get the ball to those big people, on time, it won't matter.'"

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"They're definitely one of the keys to winning," Georgia Tech coach Larry Eustachy said of his guards. "There's no question the guards are going to handle the ball most of the time and take most of the shots."

A natural shooting guard when he came to Georgetown, the 6-foot, 165-pound Iverson was moved to the point because that's the position he will have to play in the NBA. "Last year, I used to rush a lot," he said. "I wanted so much to contribute to this team and try to do things on my own. This year, I think I've changed. I play a little bit more patient now. I get other people more involved. I'm taking better shots."

### Guards control tournament play

By PAUL NEWBERRY

Associated Press

ATLANTA

Allen Iverson springs toward the basket, propelled by the quickest feet in the country.

Kareem Reid fearlessly ventures into the land of giants, flipping in acrobatic shots or creating easy baskets for his teammates while defenders stand around dummfounded.

Stephon Marbury bounces the ball belovedly at the top of the key when — boom! — his powerful legs propel him in the air for a 3-pointer while everybody else remains firmly planted on the ground.

They have taken the NCAA tournament into their hands with the deftness of a crossover dribble. They are the UnGuardables.

"If you don't have any guards, baby, you can forget it," said Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson, who has turned his team over to the freshman Role. "You can have the big guy, the aircraft carrier, but if you ain't a guard who can play defensively and get the ball to those big people, on time, it won't matter."

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By OWEN CANFIELD
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS

Utah coach Rick Majerus thinks he knows how to combat Kentucky’s depth.

“Food poisoning,” he said.

The coach who’s always quick with a one-liner wasn’t joking however when he really assessed the Wildcats, the top seeds in the Midwest Regional and strong favorites to reach the Final Four.

“We have a good team. We’ve played a good schedule,” Majerus said Wednesday. “But we’ve not played the likes of these guys.”

Kentucky (30-2) went through the Southeastern Conference regular season undefeated, something that hadn’t been done in 40 years. The Wildcats have good size, great quickness, can shoot the 3-pointer and have more quality depth than anybody around.

“If anyone beats them this year, they will have earned their title,” said Louisville coach Denny Crum, whose team could wind up facing Kentucky in the regional finals, “because I still think they are by far the best team.

Utah (27-6) will counter Thursday night with one excellent player in forward Keith Van Horn, plus a solid group of supporting players.

Van Horn is a second-team All-American and two-time Western Athletic Conference player of the year who is healthy this week — last weekend he missed the first-round game due to the flu.

In Brandon Jessie and Michael Doleac, the Utes have enough size and strength to present problems for Kentucky’s frontline. The unknown — as it is with just about everyone who plays Kentucky — is whether Utah will be able to handle the Wildcats’ pressure and then get good shots.

Virginia Tech did a good job against the press in a second-round game last week, but got worn out by Kentucky’s parade of players and wound up losing by 24.

“I’ll bet something we haven’t faced much this year,” said guard Mark Rydalch.

“We can’t run up and down the floor and exchange baskets with them.”

Maybe not, but Van Horn said the Utes will have to attack the press and then try to do what has worked so well all year — get to the foul line. The Utes led the nation this year, hitting 78 percent from the line.

That, and Utah’s size advantage up front, are what most concern Kentucky coach Rick Pitino, who noted that the Utes ranked No. 3 nationally in rebounding.

“I think they have strengths over us, and I think we have strengths over them,” he said.

“Which strengths win out?”

Crum might argue that strength of character is what has carried his Louisville team to the regional semifinals against No. 2 seed Wake Forest. The Cardinals (22-11) have had to contend with injuries, academic disqualifications and an NCAA investigation during a season that almost ended in the first round of the tournament.

Instead, the 11th-seeded Cardinals rallied from a late 12-point deficit to beat Tulsa, then knocked out third-seeded Villanova in the second round. This from a team that entered the tournament having lost four out of five.

“I’ve never had a team I think that is as short-handed as this team play as well as this team has played,” said Crum, who is in his 25th year at Louisville. “I think most of it has to do with their effort and their attitude.”

The Cardinals have some pretty good players, too, most notably DeJuan Wheat and Samaki Walker. Wheat leads the team with 18 points per game and has led the Cardinals in scoring and assists the past two years.

Walker, who missed 10 games while the NCAA looked into his dad’s purchase of a car, gives Louisville size and scoring inside.

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starts, Bessolo improved her record to 5-3 by winning 5 of 6 starts on the trip. “I felt more confident,” said Bessolo. “I was a little nervous at first, but the more I get to play, the more comfortable I feel out there.”

Going into today’s doubleheader with Purdue, whom the Irish have never met in softball, all members of the Irish squad seek to continue that on-field improvement. Despite their newly-attained national ranking, the Irish vow not to take anyone for granted. “Any team we’re going to play will be a tough game, in our minds, no matter who they may be,” said Bessolo.

It must be noted, however, that the possibility of a postponement still remains. Coach Miller told her team last night at practice that she and other officials will make the final decision this morning as to whether or not the games will be played as scheduled.

The Irish may not be back in top form, but are on their way. They know they are improving, but still want to achieve the high goals they have set for themselves this year. Bessolo offered her final explanation as to why the team’s success is picking up so much. “I think, because spring break is such a long trip, we got to be closer off the field. This off-the-field chemistry has made us better on the field in games. We’re definitely starting to click.”

The Observer is now accepting applications for: Saint Mary’s Day Editor Call Caroline Blum at 284-4349 or 631-4540 for information.

NBA

Game highlighted by heated tempers

SALT LAKE CITY

The Philadelphia 76ers have struggled this season even when they were at full strength. Wednesday night, they lost their starting backcourt and fifth straight game.

Jerry Stackhouse was tossed out of the game with 9:39 left in the third quarter for flagrantly fouling Utah’s Jeff Hornacek as the Jazz guard went for a layup. After the foul, both players scuffled and Hornacek was also ejected.

Vernon Maxwell was ejected with 4:38 left in the second quarter after being assessed two technical fouls for arguing with referee Larry Richardson. “Hornacek and Stackhouse

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RecSports will be sponsoring a Hoop Shoot Out on Wednesday, March 27, at 7 p.m. in the Joyce Center Arena. The Shoot Out will consist of a One-on-One contest, a Three Point contest and a Free Throw contest. Advance registration in the RecSports office is required and the deadline is Tuesday, March 26. There is no fee for this event.

**BOWLING LEAGUE**

RecSports will be sponsoring a Bowling League on Thursday nights from March 28-May 2. Register your three-person team in advance at RecSports. Cost is $6 per week per person and includes three games and shoe rental. Play is held at Chippewa Bowl and transportation is not provided. Deadline to register is Wednesday, March 27. Captain's meeting is scheduled for March 27, at 6:15 p.m. in the RecSports office.

**CASTING AND ANGLING**

For information, call the RecSports office at 1-6100.

**CHRISTMAS IN APRIL BENEFIT RUN**

March 30 is the date for this 5K or 10K run, and a 2 mile walk. The run begins at 11 a.m. with the start/finish being at the Rockne Memorial. There will be six divisions for each run with trophies being awarded to the top finisher in each division. The cost of the run is $5 in advance and $6 the day of the event. All proceeds from the event will be donated to Christmas in April. All registration forms can be obtained in the RecSports office and at the event. For information, call the RecSports office at 1-6100.

**DROP-IN VOLLEYBALL**

RecSports will be offering Drop-In Volleyball on Tuesdays March 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, from 8-11 p.m. in the Joyce Center. Come by yourself or bring some friends. No established teams or advanced sign-ups necessary.

**EFIT RUN**

The dates are April 2, 9, 16, and 23. Classes are held in the Joyce Center, Rolfs, and campus lakes. Equipment is provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own. The fee is $6 per week per person and a $6 registration fee is required.

**EFIT WALK**

The dates are April 6-7, 13-14, and 20-21. Classes are held in the Joyce Center, Rolfs, and campus lakes. Equipment is provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own. The fee is $6 per week per person and a $6 registration fee is required.

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Course includes four sessions which meet on Tuesdays from 6-7:30 p.m. The dates are April 2, 9, 16, and 23. Classes are held in the Joyce Center, Rolfs, and campus lakes. Equipment is provided, but participants are encouraged to bring their own. The fee is $6 per week per person and a $6 registration fee is required.

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**FIGURE SKATING**

**By WILLIAM MCCALL**

**Associated Press**

**PORTLAND, Ore.**

Tonya Harding's lifetime ban by the U.S. Figure Skating Association apparently isn't stopping her from planning a return to competitive skating.

She has been training hard and might apply for reinstatement to the association, possibly by next month.

Her new publicist, David Hass Schmidt of Phoenix, would not confirm or deny that Harding will petition the USFSA to have her ban lifted, or at least shortened. There has been speculation for weeks she will do so.

"Tonya is in the best shape she's ever been in," Schmidt said. "She's five pounds less than when she won U.S. national in 1991.

"She's practicing two to three hours a day, seven days a week. She's just more serious about skating than she's ever been."

He said Harding will hold a news conference in early April to announce her intentions.

"We're going to unveil Tonya II," Schmidt said. "It's a whole new Tonya. And it's the right time."

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**SPRING BREAK**

Guys everywhere. Girls everywhere. Insanity everywhere. Mom and Dad were right. It is a madhouse. You call them up. Tell them you're safe. And sound. They're relieved. And proud. You hang up. Then you continue playing strip poker.
College Football

Bowling down under

Associated Press

Bowl games named for fruits, flowers and even yard­

care products have come to be accepted by football fans. A fallow for a Maori war
dance is the latest to be added to the fiesta.

The Haka Bowl, pairing the third-place finisher in the Pac­

10 against an at-large team, will be played in Auckland, New Zealand, on Dec. 27.

Teams for the game, the first non­All Star football bowl out­
side the United States since 1937, will split $3 million. The game will be played at 50,000­

west Eden Park and televised by ESPN (Dec. 26, 8 p.m. EST). The creator of the game is

former NFL player Biki Ellison, who was born in Christchurch, New Zealand.

"This will mark the first overseas college bowl game and we are thrilled to bring

the game to my homeland," said Ellison, the former line­

backer who won three Super Bowl rings with the San Francisco 49ers during a 10­

year NFL career.

Hakas are an ancient Maori war party's dramatic war dance performed in prepara­
tion for battle. It has been syn­

onymous with New Zealand rugby for more than a century.

"It should prove to be a bowl unlike any other and an event

that will be a great experience for not only the Pac­10, but all

parties involved," Pac­10 commis­sioner Tom Hansen said.

College Basketball

Kruger rumored to coach Illini

Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.­Florida coach Lon Kruger will succeed the retiring Lou Henson as Illinois basketball

coach, according to broadcast reports Wednesday. Illinois officials denied the re­

ports on Chicago radio stations WGN­AM and WSBC­AM, saying

no decision had been made and no announcement was planned.

Illinois athletic director Ron

Guenther said Tuesday he asked permission to speak to Kruger. Illinois assistant Jimmy

Collins, who played for Henson at New Mexico State, was also a candidate for the job.

Kruger and Guenther did not immediately return telephone

calls seeking comment.

Collins had been at a junior college tournament in Kansas on Tuesday when Guenther asked him to return to

Champaign early to discuss the coaching situation.

NFL Football

Irvin involved in drug case

Associated Press

DALLAS­Prosecutors say Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Michael

Irvin will be subpoenaed to tes­
tify Thursday before a grand

jury about why he was in a motel room where a woman was

arrested on drug charges.

While investigating a motel

manager's complaint early March 4 about possible prostitu­tion and drug use, police in

suburban Irving said they dis­
covered marijuana, cocaine

and drug paraphernalia in a room occupied by four people.

A woman identified as Angela Renee Beck, 22, of Cedar Hill, III., a south Dallas suburb, was the

only person arrested.

"The narcotics were found in her property or immediately around her" and she claimed all the drugs belonged to her,

11­Jimmy Perrin of the Irving

Police Department said Tuesday night.

Now, Dallas County prosecu­
tors say they want statements from the three others.

"At the time the drugs were

found, Michael Irvin, Angela

(Travelers' Cowbouys' tight end) Alfredo Roberts and an­

other young lady by the name of

Jasmine Jennifer Nambaugw were present in the room," first assistant district attorney Norm

Kline said today.

Subpoenas have been issued

for Irvin, Roberts and Nambaugw, who could face

charges, he said.

"It's possible that any of them could depend upon what the testimony shows," Kline

said. We're not satisfied at this time as to who all is responsi­

ble. They are going to be asked to give their statements so that we can see who is criminally

responsible for the narcotics," he

said.

Irvin could not be reached for

comment Tuesday. At their

home in suburban Carrollton, a woman identifying herself only as his wife said she was

unaware of the incident and

that her husband was out of

town. The Dallas Morning News

reported.

Irvin's attorney, Kevin

Clancy, did not immediately return a call from The

Associated Press today.

A Cowboys spokesman who

decided to be identified said

the team had no official com­

ment about Irvin.

"He is a witness" to the

arrest but is not being

charged, the spokesman said.

"That's all I know at this point.

According to a 911 transcript

obtained by The Associated

Press, the motel manager complained:

"We have two individuals

who keep checking into our

hotel. ... They've been renting

the rooms and when we have to
clean up after them, we've been

finding cocaine and crack

and marijuana. Well, they're

back on our property tonight

and their room is getting noto­

irious."

Irving police chief Lowell

Cannaday said the circum­

stances appear suspicious, but

that the police department doesn't have enough evidence

to arrest or charge the wit­

nesses involved. "It's not a

crime to be in a room at the

Residence Inn," Cannaday said.

Irvin recently completed the

most successful of his eight sea­

sons with the Cowboys, who is named to the Pro Bowl for the fifth time and holds several NFL

records for most receptions and receiving yardage.

Roberts, who declined com­

ment, was a reserve tight end for the Cowboys in 1991­92, and

also was a teammate of

Irvin's at the University of

Miami from 1984­87. Roberts is part owner of the

Cowboys Sports Cafe in Irving.

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After starting the first three games, Kurowski's role became severely limited, not even playing in many contests. "After those three games, coach (John MacLeod) decided to shake the lineup a little bit and I just wasn't in his plans the rest of the year," Kurowski commented.

Behind senior captain Ryan Hoover there were not many minutes to be distributed and Kurowski experienced the brunt of this situation. During the season, however, MacLeod stated that he had not given up on Kurowski.

"To look at what he's gone through and see that he's still playing says a lot about him," MacLeod said. "It's very difficult for him to be in the position he's in. He was the 25th best senior in his class in the country, and it just hasn't happened the way he thought it would be. It's been upsetting to him and upsetting to us, but he's just had that bad luck."

"Basically the coaches lost confidence in my play," Kurowski said. "Sometimes they would say your not the same Keith we recruited and that I was a step slower. I guess the coaches just decided to go with some of the younger players."

Kurowski encountered bad luck even before his first game, missing his entire freshman season with a stress fracture he suffered during pre-season drills. During his sophomore year, he would undergo arthroscopic knee surgery and last year was diagnosed with Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome in his heart.

"The first five or six games it was just weird being out there again after the year before with my heart," he noted. "But I made it through the whole year and I didn't miss a practice. I suited up for every game and it was the first time in four years I was able to do that, so from a health standpoint, I feel great."

With better health, Kurowski looks to next season to finally make the impact he wants. After being red-shirted freshman year with the stress fracture, Kurowski has one more year eligibility left. He will be student-teaching and taking graduate courses, while trying to earn a starting spot on next year's squad.

That spot will most likely be at shooting guard with the departure of Hoover. Like Hoover, Kurowski has shown that he has the touch and range to fill this vital role in the Irish rotation.

"I definitely plan to step into the two spot," Kurowski added. "Whether it be to start or to come off the bench, I plan to play a significant role."

"Also from a leadership standpoint, I can provide leadership for the younger players because I'll be the only player in the program to have been here five years."

In his fifth year, Kurowski believes the Irish can get over that proverbial hump and win the games that slipped away this season.

"We pretty much have solid play at every position," Kurowski said. "We were able to compete this year, but we were unable to win games. Next year, we should be able to win those game we should have won this year."

Of course, Kurowski's decision was not a simple one, but one he hopes will provide a final year to remember.

"I believe I'll have one good year before I leave this place," he concluded. "After a lot of games I didn't play in, I would talk to my dad and he would tell me to keep my head up and next year would be my year."

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Future Prospects: On the recruiting front, Notre Dame received its third commitment last week from Keith Friel of Oyster River High in Durham, N.H. In his senior season, the 6-foot-3, 195-pound Friel averaged 28 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists. Friel joins David Lalazarian of Tustin, Calif. and Todd Palmer of Ramsey, N.J. as part of this year's Irish recruiting class.

The bench became a familiar site for Keith Kurowski as he spent much of last season watching from the sidelines.

The South Bend Tribune contributed to this report.

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Subway
Starting pitcher Terri Kobata continues to lead the Irish as they look to improve after a cold start.

Surging softball squad looks to maintain pace
By TIM MCCONN

Following their spring break road trip, the Notre Dame softball team, which owns a 14-10 record so far, knew it was back in business. The business of winning softball games, that is. Despite a rough early-going, which consisted of a 4-6 start, the Irish appear to be back on their game, and improving in the meantime.

According to Coach Liz Miller, the team, near the halfway point in their 1996 campaign, "has a long way to go, but (they) seem to be on the way to a successful season." Their 10-4 record on the recent road trip should attest to this continual improvement.

Included in that period of time were wins over #18 University of Illinois-Chicago, #21 Oklahoma State, and #9 Florida State. As a matter of fact, the team found out that they had moved into the USA Today/NSCA Top 25, with a national ranking of 24, on the eve of that Florida State game. These wins demonstrated the Irish's ability to handle the big-time pressure situations.

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