Forum focuses on undergrad research

By CHRISTINE KRALY
Assistant News Editor

Many faculty members do not think undergraduate students can handle research work, according to Thomas Myers, assistant professor of sociology, at a Faculty Senate forum addressing undergraduate education Wednesday night.

"This is completely and utterly (inconsistent) with my experience," added Myers, who heads up a three-credit hour research team which includes 12 undergraduates studying the sociological factors of rising. "It's important to have a real combination of research work and academic education." The forum, Reinvesting Undergraduate Education, was inspired by the current report from the Boyer Commission on Educating Undergraduates in the Research University, Myers, along with five other University professors, discussed individual college improvements in undergraduate research programs.

Assistant professor of Political Science Derrick Mayes from the Program of Liberal Studies directed the forum chair and highlighted some points from the Boyer report, including the recommendation that universities construct an inquiry-based first year. "We're not doing a really good job of that in the business (school) right now," said Thomas Freeca, professor of accountancy, who said that the department needs to make progress in building the first-year foundation. Some progress has been made, he said, through the development of an eight course core program focusing both on individual cases of companies and group work with a major emphasis on communication skills.

The goal, added Freeca, is to make students critical thinkers and to integrate general education into one's major field of study. In his case, he will show how accounting is incorporated with business and society.

The report also targets problems with large lecture classes in which students don't get the attention they need and therefore feel disengaged from class, said Dennis Jacobs, assistant professor of chemistry and biochemistry. Jacobs developed a small chemistry course with added mandatory tutorial sessions to focus more on individual student needs. "The Boyer report calls us all to make more rigorous expectations," he said.

New allegations arise in Dunbar investigation

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

Head football coach Bob Davie will answer questions about what he or the University knows about former football booster Kim Dunbar, whose name has resurfaced with allegations that she provided gifts, trips and money to former Notre Dame wide receiver Derrick Mayes, at a 2 p.m. press conference today.

ESPN reportedly obtained material that confirms Dunbar and Mayes flew to Las Vegas together on June 30, 1995, just eight days after Dunbar became an official Notre Dame booster. The hotel bill and an airline ticket, which include Mayes' name, were paid for with Dunbar's credit card.

This report comes less than a year after Mayes, in a sworn affidavit, denied having any contact with Dunbar after July 1994. Mayes, who is currently a member of the Green Bay Packers and played for Notre Dame from 1992-95, also denied receiving any gifts from Dunbar.

Dunbar, on the other hand, insists that she gave Mayes plane tickets to Minnepolis, a video camera for his 21st birthday, a chauffeured limousine trip to a Valentine's Day dinner in Kalamazoo, a weekend trip to Chicago and accommodations at the Chicago Hilton Hotel, clothes, several pairs of shoes and numerous meals. She also claims that she paid a car repair bill for Mayes and gave him small amounts of cash on several occasions.

A Notre Dame spokesman said Wednesday that the University and its attorneys are not aware of the information.

Members consider sweatshops, pariets change

By FINN PRESSLY
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame's new policy to monitor clothing licenses for sweatshop violations came under criticism by podium speaker Aaron Krider of the Progressive Student Alliance at Wednesday's Student Senate meeting.

"The problem is that the University of Notre Dame really wants to be a leader in this issue, but they haven't taken the steps to become a leader," said Krider. "There's been no enforcement. They haven't been checking on these factories."

Part of the problem stems from the control the companies have over which factories are selected for inspection, according to Krider. In addition, the Fair Labor Agreement does not require corporations to publish the addresses of the factories.

"Without disclosure of the location of the factories, NGOs (non-governmental organizations) and religious groups cannot send people to monitor these factories," he said.

Krider also stressed the importance of guaranteeing laborers a "living wage," enough to provide food, shelter and clothing. In most countries, the living wage is often significantly higher than the local minimum wage.

"There is potential for Notre Dame to become a leader in this issue," he said.

Fisher senator Philip Dittrum, however, countered that the University has already taken significant steps towards eliminating sweatshop labor, referring to a recent University affiliation with PriceWaterhouseCoopers, which will also conduct factory investigations.

"We can report on any factory that we question within four days," Dittrum said. "I think Notre Dame is doing as much as they can.

He also referred to the new task force formed by the University.

"The task force will explore possible ways we can do better," he said.

In other senate notes:

• Members approved three resolutions regarding the student survey process that were developed earlier in the semester. Pasquerilla West senator Susan Glass, who presented the results of the survey, said that she and the committee were surprised by the results.

"It was a lot more balanced than we thought," she said.

From the results of the survey and from conferences with campus administrators, the committee has temporarily abandoned its fight to universally extend parietals.
Malloy let one get away

What do Andre Agassi and Notre Dame have in common? Each believes "Image is Everything." University president Father Edward Malloy would not admit that he rejected Rick Majerus as the new basketball coach, but that won't stop it from being true.

Michael Costello
Associate Sports Editor

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IIndiana University
Dean looks into football team brawl

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. Dean of students Richard McKeag announced Tuesday he will be leading an Indiana University investigation of Mon­day's fight between members of the football team and of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity. "We'll be inter­viewing as many students as we can that may have famili­arity with the incident or that can provide a picture of the event," McKeag said.

Three students were taken to Bloomington Hospital after the fight. Senior football corn­ backer Curtis Farele Eil is in stable condition and under­ went an exploratory laparotomy Monday night after being stabbed twice in the abdomen. Senior fraternity member Ramone Deeming and sophomore football player Kyle McKee were treated Monday night at Bloomington Hospital patient care director said. The fight, which was reported to police at about 9:30 p.m., was one of multiple incidents that day between the groups.

IUniversity of Wisconsin
Administration fights ROTC policy

MADISON, Wis. In a meeting Tuesday, UW-Madison administrators and the Associated Students of Madison's Equal Rights Initiative agreed to fight against an alleged ROTC anti­discrimination policy. The ERI released a report earlier this month that detailed an ini­ tiative agreed to fight against an alleged ROTC anti­discrimination policy. The ERI released a report earlier this month that detailed an ini­ tiative agreed to fight against an alleged ROTC anti­discrimination policy. The ERI released a report earlier this month that detailed an ini­ tiative agreed to fight against an alleged ROTC anti­discrimination policy. The ERI released a report earlier this month that detailed an ini­ tiative agreed to fight against an alleged ROTC anti­discrimination policy. The ERI released a report earlier this month that detailed an ini­ tiative agreed to fight against an alleged ROTC anti­discrimination policy.

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Even supposedly marginal students like Andre Miller become solid students by the time they get to Bloomington, Utah. Majerus has never had trouble with his student-athletes.

The story, however, wasn't as bad as the picture. He didn't sit down and talk with Majerus in an interview to get to know him. He knew Majerus' book and deemed him unfit to coach at Notre Dame.

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WASHINGTON

Wartime Pentagon officials came up with a quick way of avoiding the problem of mass inoculation of the armed forces against anthrax. Why this vaccine? Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz was asked Wednesday by the Senate Appropriations Committee about national security. Up to 200,000 service members have refused to take the vaccine. The Pentagon has said that 230,000 civilians have been vaccinated.

"Anthrax is the primary biological warfare threat faced by U.S. forces," said Secretary of Health and Human Services Sue Bailey, assistant defense secretary for health affairs, to the panel. She said the anthrax vaccine was tested by the Food and Drug Administration and found safe, a determination confirmed by an independent review.

"There have been no long-term side effects reported with the FDA-licensed anthrax vaccine," which has been in use since 1970, she said.

Police: Mom took son on robbery

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.

A mother was charged with child abuse after allegedly bringing her 9-year-old boy along when she broke into a house, Jacqueline Martinez and another suspect, Yvair Armasale Avinarte, were also charged with burglary for allegedly stealing dozens of DJs, police said. Lorraine Bigler discovered a ranasacked bedroom Tuesday and came face to face with the fleeing burglars, police said. She described them to police, and they were arrested eight blocks away. The boy was turned over to the state.

School officials: Boy can wear gown to prom

PIERBORN, Fla.

School officials reversed their decision and will allow a teen-age boy to attend his high school prom wearing a dress. A school official had ruled that the boy could not wear a red, floor-length gown, red shoes, shoes, gloves and matching rhinestone jewelry to Saturday's prom. Last week, Principal Peter Hatman told the 18-year-old Theodore Williams that he would be refused entrance to the prom if he showed up in dress. Daniel said that after informing Superintendent Bill Hall and school district attorneys, as well as reviewing news accounts of his initial decision, he realized the school had given the boy the wrong message about his desire to attend the prom.

"The school's decision was wrong, and the school should immediately apologize to the student," said Theodore Williams.

Citizens protest NATO bombing

AP/Press

An unidentified woman carries a sign in a crowd of about 150 protestors as they march in front of the White House late Wednesday after the start of aerial bombing on Serbian targets by US-led NATO forces.

By Tami Astros

Associated Press

"I think NATO is right to bomb the Serbian military force," said Rajan. "They should have attacked earlier. It would have saved more people's lives.

"Rajan migrated from Albania to Cleveland eight months ago, joining about 2,000 Albanian emigres in the city. His mother, two brothers and a sister live in Albania.

nation starts AIDS vaccine trial

BANGKOK

The first large-scale trial of an AIDS vaccine in a developing country began Wednesday with six former drug addicts showing up for the shots at a Thai medical center.

The AIDSVAX vaccine being tested is produced by VaxGen Inc., a California-based company. Last June, the company started the world's first trial of the vaccine in the United States with a planned 5,000 volunteers.

Although about 30 possible AIDS vaccines are being developed, AIDSVAX is the only product that has reached so-called Phase III testing, which involves large-scale tests on thousands of volunteers.

"We hope it will be a success because we have already passed the first and second phases," said Dr. Kajit Chupanaya, the Thai project director.

Such experiments involve injecting the potential vaccine in people, such as intravenous drug users, who are likely to get the AIDS virus and then seeing whether they get it. Some 2,500 volunteers will be needed for the Thai experiment, all of whom will receive education and counseling to try to reduce the levels of infection.

About 5 percent of the group will normally become infected with HIV, or human immunodeficiency virus, every year. The first results are expected in about 30 months.

Half the volunteers will receive the vaccine, while the other half will be given a placebo. The test will cost up to $9 million, with most of the money coming from VaxGen Inc. The volunteers, who will get a series of seven injections, are paid a small token fee for expenses.

"I'm happy to be able to do this and to make some contribution to society," said a volunteer who asked that his name not be used.

The vaccine being tested in Thailand is different from the product used in the United States, to match the different strains of HIV that exist in Thailand.

In the United States, 53 clinics, universities and medical centers are testing the vaccine, including sites in Baltimore, Chicago, Denver, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis and San Francisco. About 1,000 people have signed up across the nation and VaxGen is hoping for 5,000 by summer.

Thailand has been ravaged by AIDS, in large part because of its freelancing sex industry.

"A spokesman for a hospice outside Bangkok that houses several hundred people who carry the HIV virus said interest there was keen. Boonsong, a patient, news of the vaccine trial," said Chalermpol Polmu. "They want to know the latest developments, and how it might help them. We all hope that someday we will have a medicine that will prevent the spread of HIV."
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"Instead, we decided to focus our energy on something that we had the most support for," she said.
The first resolution was a request that the Office of Student Affairs re-evaluate the punishments for first time
parietal violation, which students reported were too severe. Gloss was quick to warn, however, that her com-
mittee was opposed to using fines as a means of punishment and supported using community service hours instead.
"We don't want to see fines inflicted for violations," she said.
Other senators agreed. "I don't see fines as a true penalty," said Dillon senator
Jason Linster, "because it hurts some people more than
others."
The second resolution focused on extending parietals during breaks and Junior Parents' Weekend.
Keough Hall senator Brian O'Donoghue predicted difficulties in the implementation of the resolution, however.
"The rectors are going to say that it's going to be difficult to staff the halls over breaks," he said. Part of the
reason that parietals are pushed back during breaks, he said, was to relieve the pressure of those hall staff
members that stay during those weeks.
The last resolution dealing with parietals was one that sought earlier hours on the mornings of home football
games. All three resolutions were unanimously approved.

Opinion of Parietal Punishments

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Hey, I think I've seen that before

A picture of the Golden Dome graces the cover of the 1999-2000 Ameritech White & Yellow Pages for the
Michiana area. The book, which came out two weeks ago, will be distributed to students when they return to campus in August. The picture of the administration building was taken by L.K. Dunn, still pho-
tographer for the University, and was chosen because it showed a representative landmark of the
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Students to visit Belize, Guatemala in summer

By KYLE ANDREWS
New-Wise

Mayan archaeology, tropical rainforests, spotted eagle rays and a barrier reef. For students enrolled in the Neotropical Natural History, these are things they'll experience this summer.

In an attempt to give students the unique hands-on biology experience the University is offering a non-technical class in neotropical natural history with trips to ancient Mayan sites, tropical rainforests and a barrier reef.

Every summer, students from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's take an adventure as they explore the tropical ecosystems of Belize and Guatemala. Students in this three-credit class learn of common and endangered indigenous species firsthand by visiting select national parks and reserves.

The ecological resources of Belize and Guatemala coupled with the region's extensive Mayan culture provide an incredible biological opportunity, said William Hamlett, associate professor of biology and the course's instructor.

"It's a once in a lifetime opportunity that combines rainforest biology, Mayan culture and marine biology," said Hamlett.

The course begins with a week of preparatory work at Notre Dame after which students embark on the field portion of the trip. The first half of the field exploration concentrates on tropical terrestrial conservation biology and Mayan archaeology, while the second half focuses on tropical marine conservation biology.

The students begin in Belize with the help of bilingual natural history guides. The main topic of study include the savanna, mountain pine ridge and tropical rainforest.

This, along with the variety of habitats available and extant Mayan ruins, makes Belize the perfect location to study tropical ecosystems and ancient civilizations, according to Hamlett.

During their stay in Belize, students visit a community baboon sanctuary, the Belize Zoo, ancient caves, deep blue pools fed by underground springs in the rainforest and the Mayan ruins of Caracol and Xunantunich.

Students then travel to Tikal, Guatemala, home to a restored ancient Mayan ceremonial site dating to approximately 700 A.D. Included in the ruins are plazas, an acropolis, pyramids, temples and a museum. The ruins are surrounded by rainforest, Hamlett said.

After the students return to their home base in Flores, Guatemala, they conclude the first half of the trip by traveling by boat up the Paxion River to the Mayan site of Coba.

The students begin the tropical marine conservation biology half of the program with a return to Belize City. They then travel by boat to Caye Caulker, a converted fishing village, where they swim with and feed spotted eagle rays, Atlantic stingrays and nurse sharks.

The remainder of the course is taught at Ambergris Caye, a large island along the western hemisphere's largest barrier reef and the location of Hol Chan Marine Reserve, the newest addition to the Caribbean's growing treasury of marine natural parks. The students stay at a in the town of San Pedro.

During this facet of the program, students sample the immense marine biology by snorkeling in turtle grass and manatee grass beds, visiting the mangroves and exploring the world's second largest coral reef.

Anyone with SCUBA certification will have the opportunity to dive.

"It's full contact biology with safety in mind," said Hamlett.

This is the third year the course has been offered at Notre Dame, although Hamlett has taught the course at other schools.

"The single most important thing that students gain is an understanding that the majority of the world doesn't live like we do," said Hamlett. "The personal social impact is what they come away with."
NATO forces attack cities throughout country

Associated Press

Belgrade

Wave after wave of NATO warplanes and missiles struck Yugoslavia on Wednesday, pummeling army barracks, power plants and air defense batteries in an effort to force the country's Serb leader to cease his onslaught against Kosovo Albanians.

The NATO attack came after months of diplomacy failed to end a year of fighting between Yugoslav forces and ethnic Albanian separatists that has killed more than 2,000 people and left over 400,000 homeless in Kosovo, a Yugoslav province. "We act to prevent a wider war," President Clinton said in an Oval Office address six hours after the attack began. "By acting now, we are upholding our values, protecting our interests and advancing the cause of peace."

Yugoslavia declared a state of war shortly after the first attacks, stepping up the mobilization of troops. Lt. Gen. Nenad Pavkovic, commander of Yugoslav troops in Kosovo, said 40 targets were hit in the first waves, but he claimed that damage was "minimal."

A pre-dawn siren Thursday in Belgrade apparently signaled the end of the latest alert and, four heavy blasts in Kosovo's capital of Pristina starting at 7:55 p.m. (1:55 p.m. EST), and the city of 280,000 was plunged into darkness when the electricity failed. The official Tanjug news agency reported four heavy blasts in the city, including three from the area of Skatina airport.

More than a dozen explosions were heard around Belgrade, the Yugoslav capital, including some near Banjica military airport and one near a power plant.

Four missiles struck a military aircraft plant at Pančevo, destroying several small aircraft. In neighboring Montenegro, which with Serbia forms Yugoslavia, an army military barracks in Danilovgrad was in flames after being hit. One soldier was reported killed and three others wounded, officials said. Serbian TV said several civilians were wounded in attacks throughout the country.

Montenegro's pro-Western leader, Milo Đukanović, blamed Yugoslav President Slobodan Milošević for the attacks, calling them "the tragic consequences of an irrational policy of confrontation with the entire world."

The central Serbian town of Kragujevac, a major military-industrial center, was plunged into darkness early Thursday morning after one heavy explosion was heard, the private news agency Beta reported.

Reporters were not immediately able to get to the targets to examine the effects of the strikes.

The center of Belgrade was quiet and unhurt, and state-media outlets and photographers. A Washington Post reporter was also arrested early Thursday in his hotel room, and a hotel clerk said the newspaper that police said the journalist would be expelled from the country. Explosions also were heard in the areas of Novi Sad in northern Serbia, northwest of Belgrade. Television footage from the town showed debris on a road outside a damaged police station, and beyond it flames consuming wreckage and casting an orange glow in the sky.

In Belgrade, many military-age men left their homes, spending the night with friends to avoid the draft.

"This is serious, but I don't want to be killed without knowing why," said Filip Pavlović, 30, as he packed his bag to take refuge in another apartment.

Scores of cruise missiles and one-ton bombs were later fired from two U.S. ships in the Adriatic Sea, the first from the vessels since the attack began six hours earlier.

NATO bombing targets were spread throughout the country. In Kosovo, the targets appeared to be at least 15 miles from Pristina, in areas were it is dangerous to travel at night.

During the bombardment, about 30 foreign journalists on the roof of the Hyatt Hotel in Belgrade were detained by police. All but one were later released, CNN said those detained included four of its reporters.

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Yeltsin quits NATO partnership

Associated Press

MOSCOW
Boris Yeltsin pulled Russia out of its partnership with NATO on Wednesday and warned of possible further steps to protest the air strikes against Yugoslavia — attacks that he called deeply troubling. If the conflict grows, Russia reserves the right to take "adequate measures, including of a military character, to secure its own and general European security," Yeltsin said after air strikes began.

His statement did not elaborate.

"Russia is deeply upset by NATO's military action against sovereign Yugoslavia, which is nothing more than open aggression," Yeltsin said.

About 150 Russians protesting the air strikes gathered at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow late Wednesday, shouting anti-American slogans and throwing eggs.

NATO attacks began a few hours after Yeltsin spoke with President Clinton for more than half an hour by phone, urging him not to take the "regret" step of bombing.

Yeltsin also called for an immediate session of the U.N. Security Council.

Russia halted military cooperation with NATO and pulled out of the alliance's Partnership for Peace, a program designed to promote military and political cooperation between the West and former Soviet bloc countries.

Following a meeting with NATO Secretary-General Lord George Robertson late Wednesday, Russia's ambassador to NATO, Sergei Kislyak, said negotiations on opening NATO military missions in Russia had been postponed.

Yeltsin, who has been ailing, was at the Kremlin on Wednesday for the first time in nearly a month. He ordered the recall of Russia's chief military envoy to NATO, Lt. Gen. Viktor Zavarzin, and the closure of Russia's offices at NATO headquarters in Brussels.

Russia has vehemently opposed the use of force against its ally Yugoslavia for a military crackdown on ethnic Albanians in the province of Kosovo.

The Russian leader said it was "incomprehensible" that NATO would carry out an attack without receiving authorization from the U.N. Security Council.

In Washington, Defense Secretary William Cohen said he hoped Moscow's opposition to the attacks wouldn't impair U.S.-Russian ties.

"We will continue to work with the Russians on those areas of mutual interests, whatever differences we have," Cohen said.

Meanwhile, Yugoslavia's ambassador to Russia, Borislav Milosevic, claimed his country was ready to resume peace talks with U.S.-led forces in Kosovo.

Yugoslavia wants to "peacefully solve the problems and continue talks on the political agreement," said Milosevic, the brother of Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic.

Russia has given no sign it wants to get involved militarily in Yugoslavia, although Russia's foreign minister hinted that Moscow may push for the lifting of the international arms embargo against the country.

Russia might even consider withdrawing from the arms embargo unilaterally, Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov said.

Communist leader Gennady Zyuganov, whose party dominates Russia's parliament, said Russia should withdraw from the embargo now and provide arms to Yugoslavia.

He also told the Interfax news agency that Russia should not accept the lifting of the arms embargo or the lifting of sanctions against Yugoslavia.

Russia is desperately seeking new loans from the International Monetary Fund to revive an economy that's been in deep recession.

Prime Minister Yegor Primakov's primary aim on a trip to Washington this week was to secure the loans. But Primakov ordered his plane to turn around over the Atlantic Ocean on Tuesday night when it became clear that peace talks in Yugoslavia had failed.

At a news conference Wednesday, Cohen said he hoped Primakov would reshuffle his visit.

Pinochet denied immunity

Associated Press

LONDON

In a precedent-setting ruling cheered by both his detractors and his supporters, Britain's highest court on Wednesday denied Gen. Augusto Pinochet immunity from arrest, but threw out almost all the charges levied against him.

The former Chilean dictator now faces only three of 32 counts for crimes allegedly committed during his 1973-90 regime: torture, conspiracy in torture and conspiracy to murder.

In a 6-1 decision, the House of Lords dismissed the remaining 29 counts in a Spanish warrant seeking his extradition, saying he could not be held accountable for acts of torture committed before 1988, when Britain signed a law making it an international crime.

Pinochet, 83, must remain in Britain under police guard while Spain seeks his extradition on the remaining counts. But the court said House Secretary Jack Straw should reconsider whether to allow the extradition process to go forward in light of the greatly reduced case.

"The basis of this case has now changed and now there is really not much left," said Louise Dallanuty, an extradition expert with the London law firm of Peters and Peters, which is not connected with the case.

In Chile, a close associate of Pinochet, retired Gen. Luis Cortes, said the former dictator "is very happy because this ruling has made justice." After speaking with Pinochet by phone, Cortes said, "He now has no doubts whatsoever that he will come back home.

Chile's president, whose government had protested the arrest, also praised the decision.

The ruling marked the first time a national court has denied immunity to a foreign head of state accused of an international crime.

Legal experts said it should put heads of state on notice that they could be at risk when they leave power — and when they leave their own countries.

Pinochet was arrested in London Oct. 16 on a Spanish warrant.
Stone Cold Attitude at The Rock Needs To Go

I am very reluctant to make this complaint as I do not normally complain about services; but this poor service has occurred on several occasions, each time with no apology or polite instruction on correct procedure.

My complaint regards a particular woman who watches the front desk and supervises the computer login system at the Rockne Memorial. I do not know her name. She is not a student but an older woman. I do not demand "service with a smile," or even "service with happiness," but I do expect at the very least a cordial demeanor when visiting the facility. My specific complaints have to do with her handling of two situations during which I was not aware of the pool's hours of operation. I remember two specific occasions. The first was several weeks ago. I had just begun swimming regularly in the evening and decided one day to swim at about 8:15 p.m. By the time of this visit, I had learned that it is not to my advantage to engage the woman in conversation because she would most likely have given a rude reply to my "Hello," or "How are you?" The pool does not open until 9 p.m. I now know because this woman very rudely gestured in the direction of the pool schedules at the end of the counter and snapped again rudely, "Maybe you should try reading it sometime."

I do not know what my expectations for that encounter would have been, but her response seemed to me somewhat uncalled-for since I had made the fatal mistake of coming to the Rockne without exact pool opening times in mind. Please pardon the sarcasm; I do understand her reaction to a degree because I did force her to take time out of her "sitting and watching television" time.

The second occasion was March 14. I remembered that the pool did not open until 9 p.m. and thought of the wrath that would befall me if I got this fact through the system and the various hours of operation of the facilities.

Because this occurred so recently, I remember the exact exchange. I arrived just before 9 p.m., swiped my ID card and entered "swimming pool" and "towel" on the computer screen, to which this woman replied, "The pool's not open tonight." I was not aware of any special spring break hours, so I asked, "Why not?" She sighed deeply and rolled her eyes before challenging me with, "Well, you go to college. Why don't you figure it out?" My friends and I did not know how to react to this, so we stood in front of her looking baffled. Once again she rudely told us, "Because of your spring break, we don't have lifeguards tonight."

I do not live far from the Rockne Memorial, so if I don't find "resistance to screening our attempts to swim in unguarded waters. These are only two of many unpleasant experiences that I and many of my friends have had. When relaying this most recent experience to one of my friends, he did not know of whom I was speaking when I identified her as only, "the woman behind the desk." He did, however, know her when I told him about her rudeness. This complaint is not meant to sound like whining, and I assure you that these charges are without grounds. I do not exaggerate when I say that I have never had a pleasant experience with this woman. She seems to believe that everyone should know exactly how to use the computer login system, know the opening and closing schedules of all the facilities and on top of all this, never make a mistake.

Kent Nelson
Freshman
Dillon Hall
March 13, 1999
Dear Editor:

I was fortunate enough to spend 12 years teaching high school and some years in administration as department chairman and assistant principal. I did not have the privilege of offering many athletic practices here at Notre Dame, but I have seen the value of coaching and after graduate work and training, assisted fellow coaches in their efforts to instill a love of sport in our students. I have been in many classrooms with many teachers in action and know good teaching when I see it.

Coaching an athletic team does not differ much from teaching in a classroom. Though the space may be different, the essential elements of instruction apply. I have had the privilege of noting many athletic practices here at Notre Dame, both male and female, and have seen our coaches in action. I have also been on the bench as chaplain and have seen many of our coaches direct teams during games and make adjustments during time-outs. I have seen the results of time-outs between periods. On the whole, the level of instruction that our student-athletes receive is of a high quality. None, however, come closer to being the teacher than John MacLeod.

John MacLeod was always prepared as a teacher, always patient as a communicator, always patient and always positive as a coach. He cared for his players, his assistant coaches, managers and trainers and those who worked in the office. All had the opportunity to learn from a master teacher and a man who is the epitome of a class act as a human being.

If I were a student, I would seek out a college or university that employed men and women like John MacLeod and make it a priority to send my son or daughter there. It remains to be seen if an increase in possible basketball wins offsets our current real loss.

Rev. William D. Seetch, C.S.C., '74 and '78
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Ms. Amoresa's distinction is valid. It implies, however, that the true test of whether something is right or wrong is whether or not it is legal. That is an extremely dangerous assumption. Just as we all know that abortion is legal, we also know that slavery was legal early in our nation's history. Most of us would be utterly outraged if we were discovered that the University of Notre Dame had at one point wielded a large plantation that utilized slave labor. Would Ms. Amoresa then condemn these actions simply because slavery was legal at the time? I didn't think so. So why are you using that argument to defend the abortion referrals at the WRC?

Unfortunately, the comparison between slavery and abortion is a realistic one. In the past, someone was not a person because they had dark skin. Now they are not people because they are not old enough.

Ms. Amoresa also makes the WRC to the "false and illogical" situation of the University's role in referring women to abortion. Furthermore, the University has every right to say what goes on in a center that it owns and funds. In America, we have the legal right to an abortion (whether Catriona, 1, or the Catholic Church likes it or not. I cannot deny that. But can you deny that, as a private institution, the University has the right to say that it won't let its money and property be used to direct women to abortion services? The University is not taking away a woman's right to an abortion. It is only practicing its legal right to determine what goes on in a private institution. There is a crucial distinction between a private institution having a right to abortion and a private institution (with an inherent and foundational ideological objection to abortion) being obligated to actively participate in helping women procure abortions. In the U.S., we also have a right to bear arms, but no one would suggest that the University of Notre Dame is acting unfairly if it doesn't actively help each of its students purchase a gun.

As for her comment that the WRC provides "solidarity and support" for women, well, all I can say is that when I went in the many times I was only given names and addresses of abortion clinics (and that hardly qualifies as solidarity and support). I went in, asked a few questions, got a few addresses and then I walked out. If they truly cared about my health, you'd think that they'd at least offer information on what abortion actually does to a woman's body and the (possibly fatal) physical risks of having one. I fail to see how that is reaching out to me in my time of need. Obviously, all they were interested in was getting me to the abortion clinic. They even provided Catriona with directions to the clinic.

Professor Manier points out that neither Catriona nor myself "allude or offer evidence suggesting the WRC's proactively recommends or encourages abortion as the solution to their 'problems.' Allow me to translate that for everyone: the women at the WRC did NOT say "I think you should get an abortion" or "Why don't we talk about this." Professor Manier is right. What they DID do, however, is assume that we were pregnant and tell us exactly where to get an abortion. They even wrote down two Abbotsford address on the back of a piece of paper and called a clinic. They offered to take Catriona's phone number and have a clinic call her. It would take either a ridiculuous stretch of the imagination or some shockingly bad semantics to say that is not a referral.

Apparantly professor Manier feels that Student Activities is not the group to decide whether or not the actions of a student group are appropriate of a Catholic university. Rather, "the identity of any University, including any Catholic university, should be established by statutes requiring faculty participation in such decision."

In other words, as a member of the Faculty Senate, he wants decisions about students' activities to be made by the faculty, not Student Activities. It seems to me that this is not a matter of academics at all.

Allow me to offer a possible third party for determining whether or not the WRC's actions were appropriate in light of Notre Dame's Catholic identity: the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Surely, that may be considered a fairly definitive source on what the Church teaches. Allow me to cite the Catechism the Church's teaching on abortion: "and infants innocent of sin. By removing "information or reference (read: referral) on how to obtain an abortion," Notre Dame readers the CWC truly respects the natural, human life, both in theory and in practice.

Carol Glynn
Seminarian
March 24, 1999

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EDITORIALS
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By PETER RICHARDSON

Chances are you’ll hear them at least once while you’re at Notre Dame. Maybe walking past the old Earth Sciences building Tuesday night, you heard their sonorous melodies flowing through the air. If you go to the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Sundays, you’re bound to hear them in one of their charming ways. And if you just participated in Junior Parents’ Weekend, you probably heard this group of 65 undergraduates and graduates perform.

They are the Notre Dame Liturgical Choir. First formed in 1973, the choir is one of the most visible musical groups at the University. Besides serving at the 10 a.m. Solemn Mass at the basilica on Sundays, the choir performs at weddings, Sunday Vespers, dedications, ordinations, Advent lessons and carols, Junior Parents’ Weekend and the University Baccalaureate Mass.

The choir also travels both domestically and abroad. In 1995, they took their first international trip visiting Milan, Rome, Florence and Assisi and singing the high Latin Mass at St. Peter’s Basilica. This May, the choir will return to Europe, performing in Paris at the Notre Dame Cathedral, Chartres, Reims and at Le Mans, France, the home of the Congregation of the Holy Cross.

Thinking of Angels

When Sarah Murray, president and four-year member of the Liturgical Choir, thinks about the influence the choir has on people, stories can’t help but spring to mind. Murray recounted the story of some inner-city youth who listened to the Liturgical singing of some other popular artists. The students were asked to close their eyes, listen to the music and then share what it was they thought of when they heard the music. Murray recalls wistfully that after the children had listened to the choir, the first word out of their mouth was “angels.”

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from more modern composers. At the end of it all, Walton says she wants her members to be able to say they've sung "everything.

Today, she sees her mission with the choir members as a continuation of the liberal, spiritual and intellectual education they receive at Notre Dame.

"It is preparing Notre Dame students for a life of balance," she added.

But her favorite part of the choir will always be the liturgy. She speaks of the greatest reward she receives from the choir is being able to sing the greatest church music ever written, in the basilica, with people who believe.

"We're all there for the same reason," said Wilkie.

It is this "spirit of fellowship" that finds its first spark in early-morning practices and then grows profoundly through the synergy of hard work, musical harmony and ultimately a shared faith experience that seems to most unite this group. The low number of members who quit the group attests to the bond.

For members of the Liturgical Choir, the chance to join a group of 65 serious singers is often enough motivation to get them to join. The choir is also a close group.

"Choir has become my family," said Matt Kranes.

Along with the fact that the choir participates in some of the major events on campus, including the upcoming Mass at the Kroc Center, the incentive for serious singers is strong.

But then there's the time issue. Choir members practice twice a week, on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 7:45 p.m., and again on Sunday mornings from 8 a.m. until Mass at 10.

They are expected to be well-rehearsed every Sunday morning and should sing a psalm at Mass on Sunday, are expected to attend mini-course lessons at Crowley Hall.

Choir members also regularly perform at high profile, high-pressure events and that of the music the group sings is less than forgiving to those members whose studies or other time constraints keep them from practicing as much as they should.

So, exactly, does it make it worthwhile?

Jeremy Bauer, a freshman choir member, shares the same sentiment held by many other members of the group. He originally joined because of the chance to sing in the basilica. But walking into practice last one night, he heard the choir from the outside of the building and left.

"Knowing that we helped set that mood," said Matt Kranes, "made it all worth it.

Members speak of the choir in terms of family, like family gatherings. Singing without parents and partners. The choir provides the group a chance to share, celebrate and deepen their faith in a way that comes naturally to these skilled singers.

"They do things I didn't know they could do," said John Walpert.

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The bathroom floor is cold as you hug the porcelain bowl, retching while the room spins. "Never again," you pledge, "I will drink that much.

A few weeks later you find yourself on your knees again making promises, "I feel so awful, please make it stop.

You tongue tastes like dried cotton and your head throbs while you try to remember last night. As your stomach turns you remember fragments of a dark room and a casual acquaintance who now seems too familiar.

Frightened images intrude as you worry about STDs, precaution and definition of rape. But you're not really sure. You promise lots of things including, "Never again will I drink so much.

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Walton plucks the piano and directs the choir during an evening rehearsal.

And there is always Mass in the basilica. Awe and wonder creep into Murray's voice as she recalls sitting up in the balcony of the basilica during Easter Mass. The cavernous building was pitch-black except for a small point of light, moving slowly from one corner of the building to the other.

"The candle held light quickly spread into Murray's voice and wonder as a candle did in the hands of the people," said Wilkie.

"I don't know if my family," says Matt Kranes, "would be once."

So who is it that sang to you last night? As your stomach turns you remember fragments of a dark room and a casual acquaintance who now seems too familiar.

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INDIANAPOLIS

Although defending champion Stanford is favored in a bid for its ninth NCAA men's swimming and diving championship this week, the outcome is expected to be a lot closer than last year.

Stanford won last year's championship with 599 points to second-place Auburn's 394 1/2.

Texas and Auburn head the list of top contenders in the three-day competition that begins Thursday at the Indiana University Natatorium, Southern Cal and Tennessee are also among Stanford's major challengers.

"This year we have the youngest team I've had in the 11 years I've been at Tennessee," said Volunteers coach John Trembley, who lost nine seniors from the team that placed fourth last year.

Trembley anticipates a close battle among the five schools.

"It's safe to say that any one of the teams here could win the championship," Trembley said in reference to the five with the best finish in each event.

The Volunteers will depend on a team dominated by underclassmen as they seek a fourth consecutive finish in the top five.

The group is topped by sophomore Michael Gilliam, who finished sixth in the 100 backstroke as a freshman.

"We lost a lot of senior leadership," said Gilliam, who this year joined his father and brother in the list of Southeastern Conference swimmers who have won championships in the backstroke for Tennessee.

USC coach Mark Schaeber is hoping the Trojans start strong enough to give him the win in the Pac-10 Championships, which Stanford won for the 18th consecutive year. The Cardinal finished less than eight points ahead of the Trojans.

"Our team probably swam as well as the Pac-10 Championships as we have over the last six years and we got carried over to second," said Schaeber, who has been associated with the successful bid for Athletics, Greece, for the 1996 games would be ended abruptly.

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**Movie:** You've Got Mail.
- **3/25.** Thursday.
- **3/26.** Friday.
- **3/27.** Saturday.
- Cushing Auditorium.
- **1030PM.**
- Tickets: $2.

**Acousticafé.**
- **3/25.** Thursday.
- LaFortune Huddle.
- **0900PM-1200AM.**

**Tom DeLuca, Hypnotist.**
- **3/25.** Thursday.
- Stepan Center.
- **0700PM.**
- Admission: $2 at the door.

### HPC (HALL PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL)

**Breen-Phillips TV Week.**
- **3/25-3/26.** Thursday & Friday.
- Breen-Phillips Hall.

**Cavanaugh Daddy/Daughter Weekend & Dance.**
- Cavanaugh Hall.

**McGlinn Casino Night.**
- **3/26.** Friday.
- McGlinn Hall.
- **0900PM-1100PM.**
- Tickets: $3.

**McGlinn Rock-n-Jock Tournament.**
- **3/28.** Sunday.
- McGlinn Hall.

**Morrissey Music Fest.**
- **3/27.** Saturday.
- Morrissey Manor.

**Formals.**
- **3/27.** Saturday.
- Breen-Phillips Hall.

**SYRs.**
- **3/27.** Saturday.
- Howard Hall.
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- Pasquerilla West.
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- Morrissey Manor.

### CCC (CLUB COORDINATION COUNCIL)

**Native American Student Organization of Notre Dame: Pow-Wow.**
- **3/27.** Saturday.
- Stepan Center.

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT

**Saferide. 631-9888.**
- **3/25.** Thursday.
- Where the Action Is.
- **1000PM-0200AM.**
- **3/26.** Friday.
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**Academic Pride Week.**
- **3/25.** Thursday.
- Hospitality Room of SDH.
- **1210PM-0110PM.**
- **3/29.** Monday.
- Hospitality Room of SDH.
- **1230PM-0130PM.**
- **3/30.** Tuesday.
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### MISCELLANEOUS/CAMPUS-WIDE

**Palm Sunday.**
- **3/28.** Sunday.

**Kellogg Institute: Sergio Aguayo: "Democratization in Mexico".**
- **3/30.** Tuesday.
- C103 Hesburgh Center for International Studies.
- **0415PM.**

**Kellogg Institute (co-sponsored with LAASP): Sergio Aguayo: "Mexico and the Colossus to the North".**
- **3/31.** Wednesday.
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- **0700PM.**

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Can be used with invisible tape as tattoos.

[Submissions for next week's tattoos can be sent via campus mail to SUB, 201 LaFortune]
Majerus

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run his athletic programs with little administrative interference.

According to the Tribune article, Wadsworth reassured Majerus that his lifestyle would not be a major concern of Notre Dame. While the source claimed that Majerus agreed to purchase a house if he took the job because of the symbolic importance that the University placed on a permanent place of dwelling, Majerus is also active with many charities including the American Cancer Society. Royalties from his book, go to fighting breast cancer.

Another blunder was made with the firing of John MacLeod. It is obvious now that he would not have decided to resign if MacLeod would have been fired. What the administration won’t tell anyone is that MacLeod was not supposed to leave so soon.

It was supposed to be signed on April 7, then MacLeod was going to be talked to. Somebody at Asbury Park, N.J., newspaper got hold of the story and forced Wadsworth to make an unscheduled trip back from Florida, talk to MacLeod and call a 9 p.m. press conference to announce the coaching change.

According to the Tribune article, Wadsworth was so impressed with Reardon that the University would not confirm such a meeting. The athletic department would not confirm such a meeting.

Wadsworth’s office had no comment as to whether he recommended hiring Majerus to Malloy and Beauchamp.

Despite the comments in Majerus’ book, no accusations of academic impropriety by basketball players have been reported at the University of Utah.

Majerus is also active with many charities including Coaches vs. Cancer. Royalties from his book, go to fighting breast cancer.

Insight

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to coach, just not here? His decision to take the South Carolina job backs this up. Something happened behind the scenes when Lou decided to go, and we might never know the whole story.

The next mistake was the Davie hiring. Davie is not a bad coach, but they left him in charge of forming his own new coaching staff, something he was obviously not ready to do. Davie couldn’t handle the dismissal of Joe Moore, a coach who had served the University for many years, and the administration found themselves in court over the issue. Davie made a mistake by commenting that Joe Moore was too old, but the administration never saw fit to publicly denounce that action.

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One would suppose he must have talked to the wrong people, who broke the story before Notre Dame was prepared to deal with it.

Now there is the poor handling of the Majerus interview process. When is someone going to be held responsible for the embarrassing versus the administration keeps making it in its hiring/finding process?

It has been hinted that Notre Dame wants a big-name coach to add some recognition to the basketball program, but no big-name coach is going to put up with extensive background checks designed to find a flaw in his character.

Majerus was interested in Notre Dame. He was a nice fit in the program. He was prepared to break his tradition of hotel-living to symbolize his commitment to the job. He was the personality the program needed to take a step up in the elite of the Big East.

Notre Dame is not left to convince someone that the head basketball coaching vacancy is a good opportunity, not a chance to have your character attacked in the public eye.

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WHAT'S THE FUTURE OF THIS RELATIONSHIP?
Chris Etzel & Jim Lies, C.S.C.

They were both seniors. They had dated for almost two years. Graduation was looming in their future. 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 look for jobs in the same city or should they test the relationship with some distance? Should they get engaged now or should they work for a year or two first and establish some career goals?

They came into the Campus Ministry Office hoping for some information. Perhaps we had a compatibility test they might take to see if they were truly meant for each other. Did we have any articles they might read? Did we have any advice on what they should do?

This was a new twist. Though we had offered programs for engaged couples for many years, we had not really thought about this category of couple; what should we call them? "Serious but not yet committed?" "Pre-engaged?"

We were greatly impressed that a couple would so seriously question their future as to come to our office for advice. Yet a program for the engaged would not be appropriate for this couple. They were still exploring their relationship - the decision was not yet made; and the decision might eventually be to not continue the relationship. What could we do for couples like these?

After much discussion we focused on some of the issues and questions facing couples in significant relationships:

- how can we determine if we're really ready for marriage?
- should we try to find jobs or graduate schools that are in the same city?
- how will a long distance relationship affect us?
- how can you express your true feelings without pressuring for commitment?
- how will the demands of career/graduate school affect our relationship?
- how might differences in our families of origin affect our relationship?
- how can we communicate better?

After identifying the issues we put together a program and called it "What's the Future of this Relationship?" It includes some presentations on the stages of relationships and decision-making. While we were able to avoid "compatibility tests", we did include a marriage expectations quiz. There is time for answering questions and a lot of time for discussing answers with your partner. There is a discussion period for questions. There is a folder of articles for additional information and reflection.

What most couples seemed to enjoy about the program was the time and opportunity to discuss their relationship, especially areas or topics they hadn't considered before.

If you are in a significant relationship and are asking the kinds of questions listed above perhaps you'd like to attend the program this semester.

"What's the Future of this Relationship?" will take place Sunday, April 11, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Registration papers can be obtained in both Campus Ministry Offices (Library Concourse and Badin Hall). Registration deadline is Thursday, April 8.

The program is limited to 25 couples. There is no cost for the program. If you have any questions, please call Chris Etzel, Sylvia or John Dillon at 631-5242.
Wisconsin placed on probation

Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — Wisconsin was placed on two years’ probation today for what the NCAA described as widespread, unauthorized spending of booster club money.

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- file annual compliance reports.
- require the athletic director to attend an NCAA compliance seminar.

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Weekend Racquetball Tournament — Sign up now at RecSports for the Weekend Racquetball Tournament, to be held on Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10. Students should bring their own racquet and best game to the Joyce Center Courts. Men’s and women’s divisions are available. Cost is $8. The registration deadline is Wednesday, April 7. Balls will be provided and t-shirts will be given to all participants. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact the RecSports office at 631-6100.

Christmas in April Benefit Run will be held on Saturday, April 10, at 11 a.m. All are welcome to meet at Stepan Center for a 5K or 10K run or 2-mile walk. T-shirts will go to all finishers. Cost is $6 in advance or $7 the day of the race. Register at RecSports. All proceeds to benefit Christmas in April.

The Notre Dame football team is looking for punters and placekickers who are interested in kicking for the Irish during spring practice which gets underway this Saturday, March 27. Any student interested in trying out need to contact Joe Kuczynski, Athletic Coordinator of Football Operations, at 631-5858. RecSports is also looking for pool sessions and a one-day excursion. Classes will be held April 12, 15, 19, 22 at Rolls Aquatic Center from 7-10 p.m. Class size is limited. Cost is $15. Registration begins March 30 at 8 a.m. Call the RecSports office at 631-6100 for more information.

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

Baerga gets back to basics in minor league

SARASOTA, Fla. — For a guy starting over at the bottom, Carlos Baerga was in a great mood.

The second baseman was smiling and unfailingly upbeat Wednesday morning when he showed up at the Cincinnati Reds training complex to try to resurrect his fading career.

He took batting practice, fielded grounders and even signed some autographs for a handful of fans who remembered his glory days in Cleveland — three All-Star games, one World Series, seemingly unlimited potential.

Three years after the Indians gave up on him and traded him to the New York Mets, the 30-year-old Baerga is barely hanging on.

The Reds signed Baerga to a minor-league contract to help the 232-8444, E. Wayne Kselman, director, assisted by Lance Sewell.

If he does make it back, Baerga said, it will be his best shape.

"It's a little old," Baerga said. "But I'm going to try to be spring training, til the All-Star Series, and then go to spring training next year."
Final Four heads to former ABL arena

Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif.
It all seemed so perfect — the Women's Final Four coming to an area wild about women's hoops and proud to host the American Basketball League's headquarters. 

Fans were relishing a dream Final Four matchup: local favorite Stanford, capitalizing a decade of success, against three-time defending champion Tennessee.

But this weekend may turn out to be more notable for who's missing than who's at the Final Four.

Although San Jose remains excited about hosting the game and about the $32 million economic impact the Final Four is expected to have on the city, reality turned out to be a lot different than the expectations of last autumn.

The ABL folded a few days before Christmas. Fans still grieve the loss of a league that they thought represented the growing opportunities for women athletes. 

Women's Final Four is expected to bring a West Coast trip earlier this season, and both left disheartened.

Duke lost its season opener 104-74 to Connecticut in the Final Four in the Fall tournament, an event held at the San Jose Arena in kick off of the buildup to the Final Four.

"That was our worst game of the season," said coach Gail Goestenkors.

"I told the team, 'Now we know how bad we can be. Let's find out how good we can be.'"

Purdue traveled west for its third game of the season, a 73-72 defeat at Stanford that remains the Boilermakers' only loss of the year.

Duke to miss out on another trip to the Final Four.

"This was a big win for us, but I don't think it was as big as everyone else thinks that it is across the nation, because we did believe we could win," Goestenkors said.

"Duke, struggling to get fan support on a campus infatuated with its men's basketball team's run to the Final Four, will face Georgia in the first semifinal game Friday evening. The nightcap will be Louisiana Tech against Purdue."

Associated Press

The nearest women's pro team now is in Sacramento, about two hours away, where the Monarchs are preparing for their third season in the WNA.

Stanford had a disappointing season that ended in the first round of the NCAA tournament, and Tennessee lost 69-63 in the regional finals to Notre Dame in a 13th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team dropped just one set in six matches and swept the doubles for a 9-0 win over Michigan on Wednesday at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

The win marks Notre Dame's 15th straight over Midwest regional opponents, a streak dating back to 1997. The Irish now have beaten Michigan five consecutive times and for the eighth time in the last nine meetings.

Irish senior Martina Vassallo rallied from 1-4 and 3-5 deficits in the first set to beat Szandra Fuzesi 7-6 6-1, 6-1 at No. 3 singles to clinch the win.

Notre Dame improves to 11-5 with the win while Michigan falls to 3-8 with their fifth-consecutive loss. The Irish return to court when they travel to 12th-ranked Tennessee on Saturday, March 27, at 12 p.m.

Junior Kelly Zalinski and freshman Lindsey Green put Notre Dame ahead 2-0 with two quick wins. Zalinski beat Jennifer Vaught 6-3, 6-1 at No. 5 singles, while Green beat Alison Sheriff 6-2, 6-2 at No. 6 singles. 

Irish sophomore and eighth-ranked Michelle Dasso held on for a 6-2, 6-4 win over 17th-ranked Danielle Lund at No. 4 singles. Dasso led 5-4 in the second set but Lund, who won the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Midwest Region singles title at Notre Dame in November, rallied and served at 4-5 before Dasso broke serve for the win.

Senior Jennifer Hall, ranked 61st, fought off a tough second set to beat Brooke Hart 6-1, 7-6 15-40 at No. 2 singles.

After Velasco clinched the win for the Irish, fifth-ranked Irish freshman Becky Varnum rallied for a 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 win over Eight-ranked sophomore Michelle Dasso and the Irish came away with their fifth-straight win over Michigan Wednesday.

Jennifer Boylan to complete the singles sweep. Varnum held off 15-40 in each of her final two service games to close out the match.

In doubles, the eighth-ranked Irish team of Hall and Dasso beat 24th-ranked Hart and Lund 8-3 at No. 1 doubles. Kim Gay and Sarah Scardino won the final four games to complete the win with an 8-3 victory over Fuzesi and Sinclair at No. 3 doubles.
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exactly zero wins. Oh, and did I mention that the pitching rotation for the Colorado Rockies is as incredible as that of the mighty Atlanta Braves.

We have yet to see a nasty, horn-clucking brawler, an umpire make a bad call, any players hump, kick dirt on, or spit on those umpires for making that call or anyone tossed out of a game for throwing spitballs, using too much pine tar or corking his bat.

It's baseball at its purist state, not riddled with the problems that seem to infest the game. Yes, there's hope for every team.

The inequality in team wealth has not been consequential yet. No one has had a bad season yet and no one is under .500. Not one empty-seat wire has seen a game and no one has had a Braves' day yet.

We haven't seen the Marlins, Expo or Pirates throw away another season by trading any one who shows a glimmer of potential and perhaps most importantly, we haven't had to listen to Joe Morgan over-analyzing Alou and Bardo this weekend, the only thing certain is uncertainty. For this reason, I refuse to "make my picks" or discount anyone before we've discounted themselves. As an avid Pirates fan, I refuse to write off any team, any pitcher or any possibilities. Furthermore, I refuse to do the same for your team. For to rob someone of this weekend of hope would be equivalent of ripping away the hopeless optimist that makes this country great.

However, some people must have predictions. So it is with full certainty I present to you 10 predictions that will undoubtedly come true. Here's my top ten list of what you're guaranteed to see in baseball this year.

1. The Expos leading the league in attendance or payroll — It's just not gonna happen.

2. "Now batting for the San Diego Padres, Garth Brooks. His next hit should be filled with that familiar twang, and I don't mean the sound coming off of the bat.

3. A column from this journalist about the success of the Yankees. Unless of course they flop. I think there are enough of those.

4. Will Wells leaving the Blue Jays to vie for the Mr. Universe title — That light blue tie, any player or no player on his figure. Though.

5. Mo Vaughn is riddled with applause upon his return to Boston. — But they left on such good terms!

6. Kerry Wood winning the Cy Young — The Cubs' luck just keeps getting better.

7. Moises Alou stealing a base — So that's why they tell you to wear the safety clip on treadmill.

8. T-shirts titled "Infield of Dreams" in the Pittsburgh Pirate dugout — Pat Meares, Ed Sprague and Mike Benjamin ... hmm, instead of unused rockies, the Pirates move on to veterans that have proven they're right.


10. Joe Dimaggio throwing out the first pitch at Yankee Stadium — Jolit. Joe has left and gone away — baseball is left to mourn the passing of a legend.

Predictions or not, opening day's on its way. Let the excitement and the disappointments begin. I invite you to enjoy this week and hold on to the hope as long as you can.

All, soon enough, reality must take over.

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Bell is No. 2 man for D-backs

Associated Press

PHOENIX, Ariz.
The number two looks big for Jay Bell this spring. He's getting more and more comfortable at second base, and he's firmly entrenched as the No. 2 hitter in the Arizona Diamondbacks' batting order.

Bell had a great spring," manager Buck Showalter said. "He's come in physically probably in as good a shape as he's ever been in his career. He's had as many at-bats as anybody, probably by design, to get him as comfortable as possible at second base."

On Tuesday, Bell went 3-for-3 with a three-run home run and scored four runs in a 14-6 victory over the Anaheim Angels. On Wednesday, he was 2-for-4, including a double, with three RBIs, in a 7-6, 12-inning loss to San Diego. He also turned a slick double play on a ground ball to third baseman Matt Williams. In 16 games, he's hitting .385 in 64 at-bats with nine strikeouts and a team-high 13 walks.

"Basically, the key to spring training is building an approach and staying with it as much as you can, finding something that works," Bell said. "Last year was not a good one for Bell. He signed a five-year, $34 million contract that was widely viewed as too generous, and the spotlight was squarely on him through Arizona's expansion season.

He wound up hitting .251, his second-lowest average in a decade. While he had 20 home runs, one short of his career best, and a career-high 81 walks, his career-high 129 strikeouts and 19 errors got more attention.

Bell was moved around in the batting order last year, ending up more often either hitting fifth or sixth. Now he's certain to be the No. 2 hitter, the same spot he had in most of his eight seasons with Pittsburgh.

"One of the things we talked about over the offseason was whether I was going to hit two or six," Bell said. "Buck's pretty comfortable with me hitting two, and I'm comfortable hitting two."

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Notre Dame senior guard Sheila McMillen looks to dominate from downtown in the State Farm Women's Three-Point Championships today.

McMillan enters post-season contest

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame senior guard Sheila McMillen, who finished her career as the all-time leading three-point shooter in Irish women's basketball history, will compete in the State Farm Women's Three-Point Shooting Championship at the Ice Palace in Tampa, Fla., today.

The competition will air tape-delayed on ESPN at 9:30 p.m.

McMillen is one of seven players slated to compete in the event. Among the other participants will be Amy Duran of Connecticut, Jessica Gaspar of North Carolina, Rene Hanebutt of Texas Tech, Amy Green of Clemson, Aubrey Eblin of Old Dominion and Kelly Long of Western Michigan.

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The Millvale Franciscans recruiter, Sr. Dorothy Stephenhson, will be in the library from 1-4 p.m. today and will host an information session at the CSC tonight at 5:30 p.m. This is a 1-2 year program in Pittsburgh and surrounding areas. Volunteers are needed in a variety of positions depending on their skills. In the past, placements have included education, health care and social services.

New York Teacher Service Program—Sr. Donna Sabotta will be at the CSC from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today to talk to students who are interested in the program. Volunteers teach in high schools principally in the city areas of Manhattan and the Bronx.

From Service to Justice: Careers in Social Change—Notre Dame graduates Ceci Schickel, Chris and Ali MacGraw will join Judith Johnson for a panel discussion on careers in social change at 7 p.m. tonight in the CSC. A reception will follow.

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Malloy, Beauchamp allegedly turn down Wadsworth's No. 1 coaching candidate
By MIKE CONNOLLY

Rick Majerus planned to accept Notre Dame's men's basketball head coaching position until he learned that University president Father Edward Malloy and executive vice president Father William Beauchamp expressed concerns about his character, a source close to the University of Utah coach told the Chicago Tribune Wednesday.

"It is said that," Majerus said. "Through the meetings we had, I thought there was mutual interest. But the more I look at it, I have to conclude it's not a good fit, and I'm going to stay at Utah." According to the Tribune, Majerus and Beauchamp allegedly rejected Majerus based on his personal life and comments he made in his recent book, "My Life on a Napkin."

Malloy's and Beauchamp's offices would not comment on the administrators' opinion of Majerus's character.

After hearing of Malloy and Beauchamp's alleged decision, Majerus told Andy Katz of ESPN.com that he had withdrawn his name from consideration as the next Irish head coach.

"Through the meetings we had, I thought there was mutual interest. But the more I look at it, I have to conclude it's not a good fit and I'm going to stay at Utah," said Majerus. Majerus, who was head coach of three NCAA title teams during his 23-year coaching career, said he had withdrawn his name from consideration.

Rick Majerus, who is the head coach of the University of Utah basketball team, has been a controversial figure in the sport. He has been involved in several controversies, including academic fraud and problems with his personal life. Majerus has also been linked to gambling, which has led to questions about his character.

However, Majerus has also been known for his success on the court. He has led his team to the NCAA championship twice, and he has a career record of 800-363. Majerus's decision to withdraw his name from consideration has led to speculation about his future in the sport. Some believe that he may be looking for a new job, while others think that he may be looking for a new opportunity to prove himself.

This news has also sparked debates about the role of university presidents and athletic directors in the hiring process. Some believe that university presidents and athletic directors should have a say in the hiring process, while others think that these decisions should be left to the coaches.

The University of Utah athletics department issued a statement regarding the decision, but declined to comment further.

"We respect the decision of Rick Majerus," the statement read. "We wish him the best in his future endeavors."