For years, Pope John Paul II has prayed for the opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus. Fragile health and political obstacles failed to keep the pope from realizing his dream of visiting the Holy Land and the most sacred sites of Christianity. He arrived in Jordan Monday and will remain in the Middle East until Sunday.

"Jerusalem is the holiest of cities for Christians because it is where Jesus suffered his passion and death and where he rose from the dead. In other words, it is the place where the Redemption occurred," said Father Richard McOwen, a theology professor at Notre Dame.

The week-long pilgrimage includes visits to the Church of the Sepulchre — the supposed site of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection — as well as the site of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem and his boyhood home of Nazareth. The pope is also expected to say Mass at site of the Sermon on the Mount, with 100,000 worshipers anticipated.

The long-awaited visit was timed to coincide with the jubilee year. "It is a Holy Year — and not just any Holy Year. It is the beginning of a new century and a new millennium," McOwen said.

Jerusalem has a unique role in three religions: Christianity, Judaism and Islam. "John Paul's vision is of a Jerusalem that serves as the meeting place of heaven and earth, as a place where all humanity can come together," said Rabbi Michael Sigler, theology professor at Notre Dame.

This is the first time a pope has visited Israel since 1964, when Pope Paul VI made a pilgrimage. This visit, however, came at a time when the Vatican had no diplomatic relations with Israel. Paul VI's focus was to unify Christians in the Eastern and Western churches, not to improve relations with other religions.

This year, the pontiff will also visit holy Jewish sites — the Western Wall and the Temple Mount.
Wednesday

- **Theater:** "Fiddler on the Roof," Umble Center.
- **Food:** Godchen College, 7:30 p.m.
- **Film:** Spring Film Festival featuring "Mississippi Masala," Ithaca, New Moon, Gallery, Benton Harbor, 7 p.m.
- **Crafts & Hobbies:** Rummage and bake sale, East United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.
- **Arts:** Works of Margaret Bash, Madison Center and Hospital, 11:45 a.m.

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- **Dance:** Amorillo Star country and line dancing, Crumstown Conservation Club, 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- **Music:** Symphony Pops concert, Morris Performing Arts Center, 8 p.m.
Irish debate team visits campus to take on ND club

By ERIN LARUFFA
News Writer

It is not every day that Notre Dame students have to argue that the world would be better off without the discovery of America.

But Notre Dame debate team members Mark Styczynski, Joyce Bohinke and Willis McDonald, all sophomores, had to argue just that in a debate Tuesday night.

The three students argued against three Irish debaters, Michael Deasy, Louise House and Hyman Mullen, who won the Irish Times Final Debate, a competition that began in October with 400 students.

"In Ireland, it's a very prestigious thing to win," said Chris Hark, coach of the Notre Dame debate team.

Many important leaders in the Irish government are previous winners of the competition, Hark said. All three current champions are pursuing law degrees in Ireland.

The team came to the United States about two weeks ago for an American debate tournament. They are currently visiting colleges and universities across the U.S. Notre Dame bid to be one of the host schools and was accepted.

"It's a great honor to have them here," Hark said.

The statement the teams had to debate was: "This house regrets the discovery of America." The Irish debate team chose to oppose the proposal before Hark had actually read the topic.

The teams had 15 minutes to plan its argument, before each team member presented his or her argument.

"It was a Hide bid for me to be debating anti-American," Styczynski said.

One issue the Notre Dame debaters focused their argument on was their claim that American foreign policy is based on American self-interest.

"Our foreign policy motives have always been shady," McDonald said. "We always act in our interests."

The team also argued that the American culture is pervading other cultures. "You can go into China now and find a McDonald's on Tiananmen Square," Bohinke said. "You cannot live your home culture (in a foreign country). You can't help but be inundated with American culture."

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**Correction**

Kristi Morris, the Saint Mary's senior killed in a car accident over spring break, was misidentified in a photo caption in yesterday's edition of The Observer. Morris was the student on the top left rather than the top right.

The Observer regrets the error.
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a remnant of the Jewish temple destroyed by the Romans in 70 A.D. — and Yad Vashem, a Jerusalem Holocaust memorial.

For nearly 2,000 years, relations between Jews and Christians have been strained. A major source of this tension was a former Church teaching regarding the Jews as killers of Christ.

"Historically many of the evangelists created a negative image of Judaism in order to demonstrate the truth of Christ's teaching," Signer said.

In this century, the Church has taken steps to improve its relationship with Jews.

"Pope John XXIII, as part of his desire to see the Church renew itself, looked at the history of the Church and the Jewish people and saw a tragedy," Signer said.

Pope John's concern led to a remnant of the Jewish temple continued in Auschwitz and Israel is the site of conflict regarding the Jews as killers of Christ.

John Paul II supports a balanced approach, recognizing both Jewish rights to security in their homeland and the Palestinian people's legitimate claims, explained Signer.

"The pope is perceived by many in the Middle East as a friend of the Arab world - and of the Palestinians in particular," McBrien said.

The pontiff will meet privately with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and tour the Deheishah refugee camp.

Both McBrien and Signer cautioned against impossibly high expectations for the pope's travels. The trip is foremost a personal pilgrimage.

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The extensive attention the trip is receiving creates an impression that the visit will erase centuries of conflict. Nonetheless, the pope cannot work miracles.

"This man is a religious pilgrim whose desire is for peace," Signer said. "But it's really up to all the parties involved to make the peace."
Judge refuses to block Elian from Cuba

**Court denies U.S. relatives' appeal for an asylum hearing**

Associated Press

MIAMI

A federal judge Tuesday refused to block the U.S. immigration of 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez back to his father in Cuba, saying the president had the right to decide the case. The court also refused to grant an immediate asylum hearing for the boy.

Elian, his Miami relatives responded with the lawsuit.

"The determination to grant asylum is a matter within the discretion of the attorney general," the judge wrote, adding that he found "no abuse that would warrant a contrary conclusion."

Lawyers for Elian's Miami relatives said they would appeal, while in Washington, Attorney General Janet Reno said she will consult with other Justice Department officials on how to reunite Elian with his father in a prompt and orderly way. But she did not set any deadline.

Justice Department officials have made clear that they want to avoid any steps that would traumatize the boy or provoke a confrontation with Miami's large Cuban exile community.

"It has been four months since Elian has been separated from his father and lost his mother," Reno said in a statement. "It is time for this little boy, who has been through so much, to move on with his life at his father's side."

Elian's fate has been debated since he was found clinging to an inner tube off Florida on Thanksgiving. His mother and 10 other Cubans drowned when their boat sank during an attempt to reach the United States.

Since then, he has been living with relatives in Miami's Little Havana section and has been the subject of heated protests there and in Cuba.

In early January, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, in a decision supported by the Office of the United States Attorney, ordered Elian returned to his father. The

Elidan Gonzalez greets journalists and well wishers as he arrives at his great uncle Lazaro Gonzalez's home Tuesday. A Miami federal judge refused to grant Elian an asylum hearing.

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**World News Briefs**

Islamic separatists kill 40

CHAIK SINGHPURIA, India

Suspected Islamic separatists killed Sikhs from their homes, lined up 40 men and shot them to death in what India's prime minister called Tuesday an act of "turbo-charging" in Kashmir. The killings came Monday night as President Clinton was heading to India, and as Sikhs returning from Chad Singhpur marked the Hindu "festival of colors" by dousing each other with colored gases to celebrate the harvest. Some colors were said to be Tuesday red, yellow, and yellow, as bloodstains smeared a wall, and there were said to be bloodstains smeared in the temple and the garden. Three other men died of bullet wounds at hospitals, India said.

Kashmiri rebels were responsible for the massacre, and accused neighboring Pakistan — which also claims mainly-Muslim Kashmir — of supporting the rebels. Both Pakistan and the rebels denied responsibility and condemned the killings.

Dutch government to compensate Jews

THE HAGUE, Netherlands

The Dutch government said Tuesday it had agreed to give the Jewish community $180 million to compensate for injuries it suffered in Holland after returning from Nazi death camps. The settlement followed protests from Jewish leaders that an earlier offer of $134 million, which the government called its "moral obligation," fell far short of real redress for mass-murdered Jewish assets. The government also earmarked $114 million for Dutch victims of Japanese World War II prison camps in the former East Indies colony, now Indonesia, and $14 million for Dutch Gypsies persecuted by the Nazis, the Finance Ministry spokesman said. "We are happy that this settlement has been reached," said Ronni Nafnatiel, a spokesman for the Central Jewish Council, which negotiated the settlement. The Finance Ministry officials.

Turkish police detain 150 Kurds

ISTANBUL, Turkey

Police detained more than 150 Kurds on Tuesday after authorities banned public celebrations of the Kurdish New Year in Istanbul and several other cities. In the southeastern city of Sanliurfa, 10 people were detained for allegedly burning Turkish flags. It is a tradition on Nowruz, the Kurdish New Year, to jump over fire and symbolically burn away impurities and demons. Police detained 52 people in the Istanbul neighborhood of Bakirkoy, where Kurds were said to be planning celebrations of Nowruz, the Anatolia news agency reported. At least 50 others were rounded up in other neighborhoods. Police said they detained men who were walking in the area and who they suspected were planning to take part in illegal celebrations.

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**New York**

The beleaguered tobacco industry's remarkable survival skills were on display as the Supreme Court ruled Tuesday that the federal government had no authority to regulate cigarettes as an addictive drug.

But industry foes, disappointed by Tuesday's decision, vowed to push Congress to change the law and give the Food and Drug Administration comprehensive authority to regulate tobacco.

In early March, the tobacco companies won a crucial Supreme Court decision by a vote of 6-3 that led to a settlement of the nation's largest tobacco industry lawsuit. The industry is expected to pay $360 billion over 25 years.
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Donley: Friends vital in helping with eating disorders

By ALLISON MAIMONA
News Writer

While it is normal to want to be attractive, it is not normal to let your appearance and your relationship with food control your life, said Rita Donley, assistant director of the University Counseling Center Tuesday.

Unfortunately, as members of a competitive environment at Notre Dame, many students struggle with eating problems.

Donley spoke Tuesday about the importance of helping friends who exhibit symptoms of eating disorders. While listening to an individual about his or her problem it is helpful to ensure that a behavior pattern has developed over time, and is not a one-time, or short-term, problem.

Bringing up the subject of an eating disorder before a major event such as final exams or an important athletic event can be detrimental rather than helpful, according to Donley.

Pick a good time to talk to the person,” she said. “Speak in a confidential place, not in the middle of the dining hall or in the library.

The best way to approach the subject is to be prepared, she said.

“Have a list of specific past behaviors that caused your concern, and describe current behavior and conditions that continue to cause concern,” Donley said. She warned that it is best to avoid blatant accusations such as “you’re anorexic. Although direct confrontation can be harmful, stating concerns and fears and the reasons why the subject is being broached can help.

“Don’t make assumptions, ask questions. Everyone’s problem starts from a different place.”

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Oregon court upholds adoption law

Associated Press

SALEM

The Oregon Supreme Court has let stand a lower court decision upholding the nation’s only voter-passed law allowing adult adoptees access to their birth records.

The decision released Tuesday clears the way for the law, which easily passed in November 1998, to take effect April 12. The court gave opponents 21 days to seek reconsideration and fees can appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

“The law gives adoptees access to the birth certificates, which often contain birth parents’ names. The Oregon Health Division has more than 2,000 requests from adoptees seeking birth records.”

Six anonymous birth mothers challenged the law, arguing it would violate their rights to privacy. But they’ve lost three rounds—a trial judge and a state appeals court rejected their arguments before the state’s top court declined to review the lower court judgments.

David Matulkin, president of the National Council for Adoption, said the group was “disappointed on behalf of birth mothers and others who are concerned their privacy has not been taken into account.”

“The NCFA stands for mutual consent rather than forcing this on someone,” he said. “We’re not against adoptive parents finding each other if they both want to be found.”

Four other states—Tennessee, Kansas, Delaware and Alaska—grant adoptees access to birth records, said Madelyn Freundlich, executive director of the Adoption Institute, a New York-based adoption research organization.

While the group doesn’t advocate for or against records laws, she said, surveys indicate that adoptive and birth parents support the idea of opening records.

“These who not want contact have been found to represent a very small minority,” she said.

Adoptees who support the law say they should be given the same opportunity as everyone else, “so they can find their parents are. They say that finding their birth parents would help detect potential health problems and give them a sense of identity.”

But opponents say birth mothers received promises from doctors, nurses, lawyers and adoption agencies that their identities would never be revealed and that most have no desire to be contacted by children they gave up years ago.
Maryland hostages safe, suspect killed

Standoff that began Friday ends after police storm building

Associated Press

DUNDALK, Md.

After two hostages jumped to safety from a window in their home, police stormed the apartment and killed a third hostage and fatally shot the man who had held the captives since Friday, police said.

"All of the hostages are safe," police spokeswoman Vickie Wareham said.

Joseph Palczynski, who took the three hostage on Friday, was shot to death by police.

The standoff began Friday when Palczynski, 31, allegedly forced his way into a home in a Baltimore suburb and took three people hostage, including the sister of his former girlfriend. He is accused of kidnap­ ping her ex-girlfriend on March 7, killing four people over a two-day period and breaking into a home, as Palczynski slept on the sofa.

Her boyfriend jumped out the window and shot him, "Toohey said.

After days of sporadic gunfire at police vehicles and other targets outside the apartment, a single shot was fired inside the apartment Monday afternoon, police said.

Toohey said Monday that it was an apparent suicide. Toohey, however, admitted that negotiators were relying on Palczynski's last communica­tion. He was believed to have four weapons and an amount of ammunition.

Authorities say Palczynski abducted a former girlfriend, Tracy Whitehead at gunpoint while fatally shooting George and Gloria Shenk, the couple who had sheltered her. She said he had beat her when she moved out of their apartment and moved in with a co-worker.

Outside the Shenk home, he allegedly shot David Meyers, 42, a neighbor who tried to help Whitehead during the struggle.

Whitehead escaped the next day by running to a police officer who happened to be injury when he happened to be at a motel where Palczynski was staying.

Also that day, police said, neighbor McDonald was shot and a 2-year-old boy was wounded when they drove as Palczynski fired shots dur­ing an attempted carjacking. Palczynski then led police on a manhunt for more than a week, surfacing in this Baltimore suburb Friday.

That day, police say, he broke into a home, shot two guns, then shot his way into the home of Whitehead's relatives and held those hostage. The captives were Whitehead's mother, the mother's boyfriend and their 12-year-old son.

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Responding to a question during a broadcast from the Reserve Officers Association, Powell said he gave the idea of running for office "the greatest con­ sideration you can give to an issue," and that he has decided not to run for pres­i den...
Gore challenges Bush on census

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Al Gore on Tuesday challenged George W. Bush's concern for minorities, saying they are shortchanged by a census that
Congressional
Republicans
to
modernize
in order to get a more accurate count.

"I want to say to Governor Bush, if you really believe that every American counts, it's time to stand up to the operatives in your own party and support a census that counts everyone American," the vice president said.

Democrats like Gore have long supported changing the census to incorporate sampling, a way of statistically adjusting actual headcounts to account for populations with traditionally low response rates, such as minority groups in cities.

Republican lawmakers have fought sampling, which could lower headcounts in GOP-heavy areas.

Bush spokesman Scott McClellan defended the headcount method, and accused Gore of playing politics. "Given the Clinton-Gore administration's history of using nepotistic government agencies to further the political agenda of Democrats, subjecting the census to the risk of partisan manipulation will do nothing to restore public confidence in the ethics of this administration."

While the candidates disagree on the census, Bush and Gore agreed similarly to the U.S. Supreme Court saying the federal government lacks authorities to regulate tobacco as an addictive drug. Both called on Congress to pass legislation to further restrict tobacco.

Gore, whose sister died of lung cancer, called on Congress to approve a law to give the federal Food and Drug Administration authority to regulate nicotine as an addictive drug. "In a nation of 250 million people, it's ridiculous to believe that the most accurate way to count everybody is by sending out people with clipboards and pencils," Gore said.

Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore suggested the old counti
ng method is outdated.

"Tobacco is one of the most addictive substances known to man and should be regulated as a drug," Gore said. "It is time for the Republican Congress and George Bush to show their independence from Big Tobacco and do the right thing by passing legislation that has bipartisan support."

The Bush campaign released a statement saying the Texas governor "believes decisions about tobacco regulation should be made by Congress and state legislatures."

Gore believes that Congress should pass tough laws to keep tobacco out of the hands of kids, similar to strict anti-smoking laws he advocated and signed in Texas," the statement added.

On the census issue, the governor's office said it would not use sampling, missed 8.4 million people and double-counted 4.4 million people.

The Supreme Court ruled last year that raw census numbers must be used to reapportion congressional seats in the House, but left open the possibility that sampling could be used for other purposes, such as the data used to decide the distribution of federal funds.

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McCain returns to Senate after GOP race

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

John McCain, who joked with campaign aides that he'd never win a Mose Congeniality award in the Senate, returned to the Capitol today saying he expected a warm welcome.

A smiling McCa
in was swarmed by reporters as he approached his Senate office. The Arizona senator said he planned to catch up on paperwork and would meet later today with former Sen. Warren Rudman, the national co-chairman of his presidential campaign.

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McCain suspended his GOP campaign on March 9 and left for a vacation. Some supporters want him to launch an independent campaign for the White House, though McCain has been cool to the idea.

During his campaign, McCain pilloried "establishment" Republicans and Democrats, saying they are out of touch with America and beholden to special interests.

"Senators are in conflict every day with each other, in committees, over issues, in letters, in the media, on the floor," said Paul Coverdell, R-Ga., Senate point man for likely GOP presidential nominee George W. Bush. "But it has a fractural nature to it and you have to set the battles aside."

"Beyond the displays of senatorial courtesy, the Arizona senator's allies say fellow Republicans will ignore his new political cloud at their own peril."

"There are only two United States senators who have a truly national constituency. One's name is Ted Kennedy and one's name is John McCain," said former White House chief of staff Lee Dubeinstein, a McCain friend and senior advisor.

Republican pollster Ed Goeas said a recent national survey pointed in the same direction and that McCain can help GOP candidates in terms of fund raising and voter support.

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THAILAND

U.S. helps expose drug-selling Web sites

Associated Press

BANGKOK
Twenty-two people have been arrested in Thailand for allegedly selling prescription drugs on the Internet and exporting them to the United States, Thai and U.S. officials said today.

The arrests were the result of a joint operation by U.S. and Thai customs agents, the first case in which the U.S. government had a hand in closing the Web sites of foreign companies exporting drugs that can be bought in the United States only with a prescription.

Transmitters, diet pills and steroids were among the drugs the three Internet pharmacies targeted in the sweep were accused of mailing overseas, mostly to customers in the United States, a U.S. Embassy spokeswoman said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Six people have also been arrested in the United States for allegedly buying drugs from a Thai Internet pharmacy, she said.

"Many of these Internet pharmacies are fly-by-night operations set up overseas to avoid U.S. law," U.S. Customs Service Commissioner Raymond Kelly said in Washington. "They have little regard for patient safety. They’re only interested in making a fast buck, then moving on to the next victim."

At one of the targets, Bangkok-based Vitality Health Products, 80 percent of online sales went to U.S. buyers, said Kevin Delli- Colli, director of Customs cyber-smuggling center in Fairfax, Va.

"We’re seeing Valium, fenphen (the diet drug), Viagra and a lot of anabolic steroids," Delli-Colli said. In some cases, the quantities involved "suggest people are buying them for distribution."

Prescription drugs are readily available over the counter in Thai pharmacies, despite growing government efforts to regulate pharmaceutical sales. The 22 suspects, arrested from November through January after almost six months of investigation, face up to five years in jail for violating Thai export regulations. A Thai customs investigator said on condition of anonymity.

U.S. authorities are additionally preparing indictments, as the suspects are also liable for prosecution under U.S. law, the embassy spokeswoman said.

Thai Foreign Minister Surin Pitsuwan said his government, which is hosting a meeting this week of 20 Asia-Pacific nations on fighting cross-border crime, pledged full support for further cooperation on illegal Internet sales.

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Abuse of power shatters public trust

Before I open up the floor to shameless name calling and finger wagging, let me be sure I’ve got this straight.

More than three weeks ago four black Notre Dame students were arrested by two white security guards at the local Denny’s after much hubbub both inside and outside of the restaurant. The charges against them were dropped, but shortly thereafter the students under-standably cried race. And now some knockknobheads...um, Roseland Town Council members...want to see the charges reinstated?

Did I miss something?

Not likely. After all, Denny’s did find that the two arresting officers crossed the line in bringing the students into custody. According to restaurant managers, the “halfhouse four” as well as their five friends (all of whom are black) should have never been apprehended, let alone handcuffed and manhandled.

Notre Dame administrators rallied behind the students. Father Mark Poorman, University Vice President for Student Affairs, called the situation “a serious injustice.” Poorman told The Observer earlier this month, “We all know this is more than an isolated inci-dent. It is symptomatic of a problem that pervades our society and our community.” Apparently he can smell a rat — or two.

So can local authorities. St. Joseph County Prosecutor Chris Toth concluded that the Terrible Two wore well out of order. After reviewing arrest reports and surveillance tape of the incident, Toth said the arrests were “clearly unjustified.”

To their credit, Denny’s was quick in giving the officers the boot.

And now area newspapers and broadcasters are reporting that it wasn’t the first time that at least one of the officers fell far short of his duties to protect and serve. One man was a former South Bend police officer who had been let go due to “unsatisfactory job perfor-mance.”

So what is the town council trying to pull? Why the big stink over a pair of seemingly rotten apples? No, really, I’m baffled. Is the council naive or just a bunch of knuckleheads? Sure, they could be a group of modern-day idealists, magnificently content to see that everything’s coming up roses in this happy world. Hey, ignorance is bliss, right?

So maybe they’re busy believing in the colorblind society where nine young blacks can walk into a public place and be perceived merely as a band of friends — not as a gang or where the same nine can stroll into a restaurant looking for a meal — not trouble.

Of course in such a racially equal world when white officers scuffle with black patrons over knocking down small waiting area signs, it’s completely warranted.

But it’s almost as ridiculous for me to consider the town council naive as for them to pursue the charges against the students. Let’s face it, we all know better. That’s why what’s happening alarms me.

Roseland’s elected govern-ing body wants to support two men condemned by no less than nine students and countless university officials, community members, the county prosecutor and even their own employer.

One question comes to mind: Why? Help me understand. What are they fighting for? For the positions of two men who convincingly fit to police anyone or anything? For Denny’s and the sake of eating establishments everywhere? For the dignity of the five or six-mile stretch of Hosier highway they call Roseland?

Perhaps, though, it’s a matter of what they’re fighting against. That’s certainly more easily answered. Let’s see, given their stance on this situation, they must be utterly opposed to civil rights. That, then, means no venturing into any Roseland restaurant. At least not to sit down and eat. That is, if it’s a Saturday night. And you’re the wrong color.

But the way, no arguing with Roseland’s finest either. Police brutali-ty, what’s that? Who cares on what grounds you’re being arrested; shut up and go with the flow.

Man, they sure are setting us back a good 40 or 50 years. And just when I thought the days of being tossed from the lunch counter were over. Leave it to Roseland to give blacks not only a hard time but also a blast from the past.

Now if I seem angry and sarcastic, it’s because I don’t want to be sad. Sad that college students had to resort to biting, scratching and spitting to avoid being steamrolled by some dirty cops’ brand of justice. Sad that they are so much worse for the wear and that this ordeal will, if it hasn’t already, leave them more harsh, cynical observers of and participants in life.

It’s more than a little distressing to think that they face the endless dilemma of being expected to respect the law while finding that the law in many instances does not work for them.

Want to bring tears to my eyes? Find me some intelligent prominent officers willing to go out of their way to shatter the normalcy of a group of young adults’ lives. Shouldn’t be too difficult; I hear the Roseland Town Council meet­ings are open to the public.

Bottom line: What two errant officers lost doesn’t begin to compare to what nine college students surrendered three weeks ago — their innocence.

Jason McFarley

The Bottom Line

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We could use a little crisis

The sociologist C. Wright Mills speaks of indifference and uneasiness as two major problems in society. It seems that Notre Dame is a society to which this applies. Mills gives four possible states: well-being, crisis, indifference and uneasiness. Well-being is the state of being a creature of values which are not threatened in any way. Crisis is the state of being threatened values, and is defined as a state of crisis when one or more individuals or ideas are threatened. Indifference is defined as the state of being completely indifferent to certain values or threats. Finally, uneasiness is the state of not being aware of threatening values, but only of the threat. The question now is, where are Notre Dame students on this scale?

It seems that the majority of Notre Dame students would be in a state of well-being. That is something for which I am quite certain we all wish. If one’s ideals are real, one can do nothing less than hope that there will be no threats to those ideals and they will prevail society.

Of course, it seems almost impossible to be in a total state of well-being. Perhaps there are those who are completely satisfied with reality and society as they are, but it seems that for most people, society does not reach their ideals nor hold their own values. At least, society does not hold the values which most profess — whether or not they actually hold those values themselves is up to debate.

In any case, a Catholic or Christian in general could not be in a state of well-being. There is poverty, war, and all kinds of evil in this society. A true Christian could not possibly be content with such a depraved world.

It seems that the Christian and thus the vast majority of Notre Dame students must be in a state of crisis. We, as Christians hold lofty values and ideals. For Catholics, legalized abortion, the death penalty, senseless wars, the divorce rate, the multitude of broken homes and the general depravity of life among much of America’s poor can do nothing but threaten cherished values.

Society seems in direct conflict to the Christian’s values. Why then are so many students not up in arms? It seems that any who felt their most fundamental and cherished values threatened would do something to preserve them. As students of the premier Catholic university in America, it seems that we should be leading the defense of Christian values.

By far, it seems that Notre Dame students are content with their situations. On the surface it seems that we are all in a state of well-being. However, it has been shown that no true Christian could truly be at such a state of well being in such a time as this. Thus, perhaps we come to the conclusion that the Notre Dame student, in general, is not true Christian.

Maybe this is harsh, but I believe deservedly so. Indifference plagues this University. I do not con­demn the other students here, for I am certainly part of this problem. I have a certain indifference in myself — a certain laziness really. I believe myself to have high ideals, but, in fact, if I had those ideals I would be protecting them from the threats of society. How could I stand by on the policies of Notre Dame about sweatshops and homosexuals or sidly by and watch the community of South Bend as a passive observer, never lending a hand. It seems more likely that I am in a state of indifference.

Indifference takes many forms in this University. Often it seems that it is simply an unwillingness to speak up. Whether it simply be pointing something out in class or writing a letter of protest to Monk, we are unwilling to do it. It seems that the only way to combat the feeling of indifference is to confront it. No real Christian should be able to go to Mass every Sunday in a state of indifference.

It seems odd to say, but perhaps we all need a little crisis in our lives.

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Crisiticism of Bob Jones hypocritical

As I sit in a hospital waiting room in Cleveland, two words run through my head — "scrub down." Fifteen minutes earlier I read them as I passed through a door on my way to a friend’s room. I can remember the context those words were used in, but I can’t begin to remember what I was thinking at the time. It was a sen­tence. Perhaps it was a statement or an order. Is there a difference? Now a new series of thought enters my head. The sound of the North Carolina/Stanford game on the television, but in my announcer uses the word “bad,” my thoughts turn to something my friend’s mother said earlier.

Three days earlier, I picked up the phone in my house in South Carolina and called my friend in his Cleveland hospital room. His mother answered instead and explained the day was a “bad day.” Upon arriving at the hos­pital that morning, I thought the day was marked by a similar initiation into the world of the chronically ill, so often char­acterized by the “bad day” description. However, for some of the group of Notre Dame students that has gathered at the hospital, these descriptions are an impromptu mass in the waiting room along with friends and family of the patient — my friend. Throughout mass, I can’t stop thinking about “bad” and “good” day vs. “bad day.” It seems from what I have read, random words can dominate my thoughts for a day or even a life­time. What if this is true of few words, but a sentence, or two sentences or a statement if there’s a differ­ence?

I find myself lost in these thoughts when I notice my friend’s mother is speaking. She fights back tears and occasionally pauses to regain her com­posure as she assures us my friend, if he could see us, would look each one of us in the eyes and tell us he is going to beat this thing. That’s the moment — the moment that inspired me. The moment that makes life special, in my opinion. The moment that lets us pull back from the surface of society and the sur­rounding world has on our everyday thoughts and actions.

Sometimes, not that often, someone says something that bears so much weight, it reaches inside of you and touches your heart, so speak. It might be something a friend says to you, or something you overhear on the bus. It can come from any number of sources at any time. You might miss it or you might not. Usually, it comes at a time of much sorrow, but oddly enough, the feeling helps you carry on.

It’s at this moment that you step outside of your body and see the world the way its meant to be seen. You see what’s really there — and for that instant nothing is clouded by the feelins of fear, doubt, or a force focused on by today’s society. And in these moments, we find ourselves inspired to do what our heart wants us to do.

Often, we let this inspiration slip away. Life quickly somewhat loses its meaning.

Sometimes, a tiny part of the dream generation remains and moves you to follow our heart along a path we thought would end up. Whatever the outcome, we experience a few things, a few things the world may never intend. My advice to you: cherish these times.

Remember the inspiration and do your best to realize whatever it was.

Back in the Cleveland hospit­al, my thoughts turn to something she’s sorry I won’t be able to see my friend that day. Tell me it’s okay, know that I don’t care. She doesn’t realize the gift she gave me. It seems more likely that I am in a state of well-being in such a time as this. Thus, perhaps we come to the conclusion that Notre Dame student, in general, is not true Christian.

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Remember your inspirations
Nunnin’ around

The nun costume has long been a thing that I have had questions about. The costume seemed to make the women behind them oooh... hard to get in. “The Great Human Emperors’ Penguins” ruled the lobbies of Catholicism, and these righteous women would waddle their way to salvation behind rosettes, roses, rosaries, beads, and bilbies. At least that is the old image that I had. The nun of soft voice, never a way lip and down to earth and don’t wear the old get-up any more, at least around here.

If you’ve ever wondered why nuns don’t wear a costume here at Notre Dame, it is because most religious orders decided that it wasn’t necessary. If you want to know more about running a monastery I recommend that you speak in a nun. Most of them will talk to you, that is, if you have a serious devout ring and know the seven nun handshake. But some do not even require that you have access to that stuff. The message here is, “talk to nuns.” It never hurts to have a few good nuns on your side, especially these days with all that sin going around.

Also, if you ever make a nun mad, you will have the power from other nuns to counteract the nun’s prayers against you. Just kidding around. Nuns never pray against people, just on them, just kidding again. Only vampires do that. The nun profession is extremely honorable and doesn’t deserve to be pokey fun at, but I feel that one can never be too humble.

Sometimes being friends or just talking with a nun can seem intimidating. In that case, the best thing to do would be to see a movie about nuns to get warmed-up. A few movies that have good representations of nun’s are “The Sound of Music,” “Modesties and IVTs,” “The Wackiest Nun.” But really the best representation of a nun can be found in a movie called Sister Act. After watching these movies you’ll be singing and dancing with every nun you meet.

A fun nun artifact that you can see on campus is the nun ruffle. It is said to be stitched in the First Year of St. Mary’s building. It is the building next to Lewis Hall. There is a cylinder attached to the building that served as a nun fire escape. It is a tiny slide. The door isn’t locked either, and you can stick your head up there, or even climb up there, and experience this fun nun way.

Nuns are great, but I honestly wouldn’t mind if some nuns took time to feed some of the birds. Then nuns would walk around campus with birds on their shoulders whisking happy songs. I think life would seem easier if I saw that kind of stuff everyday. That would be something.

I have often thought it would be a fun idea to have a mass vs. greasy-soiled grue, or water balloon toss, or Bengal Bouts. I bet they could raise a lot of money doing something like that.

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By ERIN LARUFFA

To enter Howard Hall, one must pass under the arches of a nun. The sign that served as a nun’s fire escape is unusual, especially the tiny “Madeline” carved above it. In that sign, we can see the power from other nuns to counteract the nun’s prayers against you. Just kidding around. Nuns never pray against people, just on them, just kidding again. Only vampires do that. The nun profession is extremely honorable and doesn’t deserve to be pokey fun at, but I feel that one can never be too humble.

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Patchouli brings their new sound to Dalloway’s

By AMANDA GRECO

Tonight at Dalloway’s, the Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame community will be treated to a musical innovation. Originating from the Chico State area, the band Patchouli calls their style “jambol.”

“It’s our way of mixing folk roots but also a lot of world music influence, as well as jazz, reggae, world beat and funk,” said Julie Hecksel, lead vocalist, guitarist and bassist for the band. Hecksel is accompanied by Bruce Hecksel on guitar and Josh Weinstein on drums.

The band members use many different instruments, such as marimbas and flutes, to create their unique sound. Patchouli has been touring from Minnesota to North Carolina, making stops everywhere in between. The chosen stops have mostly been college campus- es, Borders bookstores, festivals and Earth Day concerts. The band promises upbeat music, new sounds and audience participation. For more information on Patchouli, visit their web site at www.patchouli.net where you will find bios, photos, mp3’s and more.

The members of Patchouli ( Josh Weinstein, Julie and Bruce Hecksel) at a recent show.
Keenan Knights are a brotherhood of men

By LOUIBEL CRUZ

The Keenan Knights show their camaraderie, joining together to enjoy the warm weather and cook out on the quad. When they aren't relaxing, the Knights find time to help the Notre Dame and South Bend communities.

Keenan's sense of humor does not end with the Keenan Revue, they consider Zahm as one of their "sister dorms" along with Cavanaugh and claim their little brothers live in Stanford.

Keenan also is noted for their great success in interhall sports. They have two undefeated football seasons in 1997 and 1998 and numerous championships ranging from cross-country to volleyball. Last year, they were the RecSports recipient for best all-around dorm in interhall sports.

Some famous former Keenan residents include Joe Montana, basketball player Ryan Humphries and former basketball captain Derek Manner. Keenan was also named Dorm of the Year in 1996 and 1997.

"Although we may not be the prettiest dorm to look at, we more than make up for it with our spirit," Osland said.

"We strive for dorm unity through service to the community and togetherness in all our activities," Stauffer said.

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Hamilton teaches Hurricanes benefits to life of discipline

Miami Hurricanes' players to benefit from Coach Leonard Hamilton's disciplinary tactics.

Hamilton has taken the Hurricanes to a school-record three consecutive NCAA tournaments. It is a remarkable task considering he has done it with little talent and even less support.

In 10 years at Miami, Hamilton has had one player in the NBA (rookie Tim James of the Miami Heat), two players drafted (James and Popa) and four All Big East Conference selections (Pape, Hemsley and Mario Bland). Hamilton continues to recruit players to Miami, where there is no arena, no tradition, little media coverage and a small fan base. He has become one of the hottest coaching names in the country.

Georgia Tech wants to talk to Hamilton about succeeding Bobby Cremins. But Hamilton said he isn't even addressing the situation until the season — and his diet — are over.

"I enjoy doing what I do," Hamilton said. "I enjoy my relationship with my players. The strength of the park is in the wolf and the strength of the wolf is in the pack. That's our philosophy."

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MIAMI, FLA. - The Miami Heat's
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first trip to Philadelphia.

"I'm looking forward to it,"
James said. "I've never been there
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Boeheim focuses on leading Syracuse to Final Four

The crowd will be against them and so will the odds. Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim is unfazed as he tries to lead his Orangemen back to the NCAA tournament's Final Four for the second time in five years.

"We're playing the game where they tell us to play it," Boeheim said as he began preparing for a trip into Michigan State's backyard on Thursday. "We're going to go out and play. We're not worried about something we can't control."

After victories over Samford and Kentucky in the Midwest Regional, fourth-seeded Syracuse (26-5) will play the top-seeded Spartans (28-7) at the Palace in Auburn Hills, Mich. That's just a short drive from the Michigan State campus and, to top it off, Magic Johnson, who led Michigan State to the national championship in 1979, is expected to be in the stands rooting for his alma mater.

Spartans coach Tom Izzo is happy for that, but doesn't think the site offers his team that much of an edge.

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Syracuse's Etan Thomas (No. 33), shown here defending against a shot by Notre Dame's Harold Swanagan, was this year's Big East Defensive Player of the Year. The Orangemen will need an outstanding game from Thomas to beat the Michigan State Spartans.
Padres' Al Martin faces charges of bigamy, assault

Associated Press

PEORIA, Ariz. The San Diego Padres' low-key spring training turned bizarre when Al Martin was accused of being a bigamist and charged with exchanging punches with a woman who claims she became his wife in a Las Vegas wedding.

The outfielder, praised as a clubhouse leader after the Padres got him from Pittsburgh last month, and Shawn Haggerty-Martin were arrested on assault charges late Monday night.

The police report contained accusations of bigamy, threats with a gun and a wedding that Martin admits attending but didn't think was real.

According to Clark County records, Martin and Haggerty-Martin were married an Albert C. Martin in Las Vegas on March 11, 1998. The police report lists Haggerty's middle name as Michelle, but Martin is listed as Lee.

"Everybody's shocked," third baseman Phil Nevin said Tuesday. "He's a great guy."

Martin was accused of still being married to someone else, according to the police report "so he knows what's been said from the other side."

"It's been kind of a shock, but I think we do owe it to Al and his family to tell and hear what his side has to say," Towers said. "Before we come down on Al Martin, I want to make sure that we have the facts in place before we discuss him."

Martin released a statement through his agent, Jeff Moord, categorically denying the charges against him.

"Last night I had an argument with a woman, Shawn Haggerty, whom I have known for several years. This argument escalated and eventually led to police intervention," Martin said. "I take these charges extremely seriously and will continue to cooperate fully with the authorities investigating this incident."

Towers has known Martin since he was a scout with the Pirates in the early 1990s. "This would be the last guy I that I think this would ever happen to," Towers said. "He's always been a model citizen and a guy who represents himself well.

Towers said Martin wanted to address his teammates as soon as possible, but was probably going to go away for the night. Towers said Martin has known Haggerty-Martin for 4-5 years and that he is aware of her.

"If there's something that I think they've had some problems (with) in the past," Towers said. "He kind of got into a situation where he really didn't know how to get himself out of it."

In Scottsdale Justice Court, Martin was barefoot and wore the same ripped white shirt, speckled with blood, that he had on when he and Haggerty-Martin were arrested.

Haggerty-Martin was charged with assault-domestic violence, and Martin was charged with assault-physical injury and leaving a residence where he really didn't know how to get himself out of it.

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NBA
Starks denied chance to join playoffs

Associated Press

John Starks wanted to leave the Chicago Bulls so badly that he offered to give up his salary for a chance to join a team headed to the playoffs.

It didn’t quite work out that way.

After arbitrator Roger Kaplan ruled Tuesday on his unique request, Starks got out of Chicago and will get to keep his paycheck, but he’s not going to the playoffs.

Kaplan said Starks could forfeit the remainder of his salary and leave under a mutual agreement with the Bulls, but he denied a request for Starks’ release to go to the March 1 playoff roster deadline.

Shortly after the ruling, the Bulls waived Starks anyhow and general manager Jerry Krause said they would pay the veteran guard the remainder of his contract, about $700,000.

A source who spoke on the condition of anonymity said Starks requested if he wasn’t going to the playoffs, he wanted his money. The Bulls just wanted out of the relationship.

“He had the option. We asked him if he would agree to be waived without us paying him and he said, ‘No,’” Krause said. “He made it clear to me early if he was going to lose money, he was going to stay here.”

But the Bulls didn’t want him around.

“I knew John still has some basketball left in him,” Krause said. “Our young players have to be on the court. They are the future of this franchise, and John certainly is not.”

Starks wasn’t immediately reachable for comment.

Kaplan’s ruling, based on a provision in the new collective bargaining agreement that deals with mutual termination of player contracts, could have an effect next season.

Players and teams will be able to mutually agree to amend contracts by reducing or eliminating guaranteed payments after Jan. 10, players’ union spokesman Dan Wasserman said.

“The league will no longer be able to use the Jan. 10 date to force teams to make guaranteed payments in order to limit player movement,” Wasserman said.

NIT
Lampley comes out on top in NIT

* California finished with a 60-49 win over Georgetown

Associated Press

BERKELEY, Calif. Sean Lampley seems to save his biggest games for the NIT.

Lampley, the MVP of last year’s tournament, scored 15 of his 21 points in the second half as defending champion California (18-14) defeated Georgetown (19-15) Tuesday night in the NIT’s second round.

Georgetown’s Kevin Brucwell, who had a career-high 40 points against Virginia, went 1-for-12 from the field over New Mexico on Tuesday night.

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The Bears, seeking to become the NIT’s first repeat champion since St. John’s in 1943-44, will face Wake Forest in the third round. The Demon Deacons (19-14) won 72-65.
Murphy named to All-America first team

Special to The Observer

Sophomore forward Troy Murphy was named to the Associated Press All-America first team on March 13. Murphy becomes the first Notre Dame player to earn AP first team honors since Adrian Dantley in 1976.

Murphy was named to the five-man team by Cincinnati center Kenyon Martin, Iowa State forward Marcus Fizer, Indiana guard A.J. Guyton and Texas center Chris Mihm.

Murphy has also been the first-team All-American this year by the National Association of Basketball Coaches and a first-team All-American by The Basketball News. Murphy was named the 1999-2000 Big East Conference player-of-the-year and was a unanimous first-team all-Big East pick.

Murphy leads the Irish in scoring at 22.8 points per game (ninth in the country) and 10.8 rebounds (sixth in the country). He was the first player to lead the Big East in scoring and rebounding during the conference season and currently leads the Big East in overall games in that category.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

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Irish need to maximize their bench production. Their reserves only scored five points in Monday's win over Xavier, all from reserve point guard Martin Ingelsby.

"We've been in situations before where we were coming off of a big game and a big win and we've won," sophomore forward David Graves, who led Notre Dame with 24 points Monday, said. "It's been a long season for us, and we've had a lot of ups and downs. We can't have any more misfortunes. We need to come out and play with our "A" game the rest of the year."

The Cougars will be smarting from the sting of losing home court advantage to the Irish. BYU had nearly 17,000 fans attend in their second-round game, but the Irish snared the home berth with only 9,000 fans in the crowd. The once silent Irish crowd has grown increasingly supportive this season for the Irish.

"We did a good job during the year, and were a strong bubble team going in," Doherty said. "I think that may have helped us get the home games, but I think the Joyce Center fans have been great. The NIT likes to have big crowds, so I think we've earned the right, although BYU has had great crowds, too, so I'm sure they could complain and say that they deserved a home game. I think that maybe Coach Cleveland would use that to motivate his team, that they feel slighted that they didn't get a home game."

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**SOFTBALL**

**Irish win big over break in California**

By RACHAEL PROTZMAN, Sports Writer

The Irish softball team had a busy spring break, as they wreaked havoc through California and boosted their record to 18-6, tallying seven wins and losses to two of the nation's top three teams during the week.

Several Irish softballers took home individual honors as well. Michelle Mohel and Andrea Loman were named Big East pitcher of the week and rookie of the week, respectively.

Junior Melanie Akrire and freshman Andria Bledsoe set a precedent for them, earning Big East player of the week and rookie of the week honors, respectively, on March 13.

Notre Dame kicked off its successful spring break with two wins over San Diego State. Pitcher Jennifer Sharmon held the Aztecs to just four hits in game one as she earned her seventh win of the season and gave Notre Dame its fifth straight shutout, 3-0.

Akrire led the Irish in game two action with a grand slam while upholded by Myers, who added a two-run homer to power Notre Dame to an 11-3 win.

Notre Dame continued its winning streak with a 4-0 victory over Loyola Marymount.

Akrire led the Irish in her fourth hom run this season, knocking in two runs. The Irish then traveled to Fullerton, Calif, to compete in the 2000 Arizona Classic at Cal State Fullerton.

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Notre Dame improved to 4-1 in tournament action in the quarterfinals of the Kia Classic with a 4-2 win over sixth-ranked Oklahoma. Myers led Notre Dame as she slugged a grand slam in the first inning to give the Irish a 4-0 lead. Oklahoma answered in the fourth with two runs, but it was too little and too late.

No. 2 Arizona sent the Irish home with a 6-3 loss in the semifinals of the Kia Classic. Sharman and Kriech both recorded their first career homeruns, but it was not enough to overcome Arizona's two-three run blows for the win.

Notre Dame will play two games against Purdue Thursday in their home opener.

**WOMEN'S TENNIS**

**Belles look forward to 2000 season**

By NELLIE WILLIAMS, Sports Writer

After eight undefeated spring break matches in Hilton Head, S.C., the Saint Mary's tennis team is ready to dominate this season.

First-year coach Jim Stevenson did not know how to expect last week.

"I knew we had a pretty decent team and I knew that playing two Division I teams and a Division II team would be tough matches," Stevenson said.

Not only did the team beat both the Division I and Division II schedules, it also won the other five matches it competed in.

Co-captains Katya Valens and Becky Kremer were very encouraged with last week's results.

"I felt our team pulled out a lot of big wins last week," Kremer said. "We proved to ourselves and to others that we are going to be a tough team to beat."

Valens was very impressed with the performance of some of the younger players.

"We have a lot of depth with our (intet) freshmen," Valens said. "The freshmen really stepped up."

Stevenson, who did not want to cut any players, has a team composed of nine freshmen, four seniors, one junior, and three seniors.

Already, 30 incoming freshmen have expressed interest in joining the team next year.

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**NIT BASKETBALL**

**Wolfpack edges Sun Devils, 60-57**

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. - Kenny Inge scored 19 points, including the go-ahead free throw with 7.4 seconds left, as North Carolina State beat Arizona State 60-57 Tuesday night to advance to the third round of the NIT.

The Wolfpack (19-12), which lost in the second round the previous three years, had to overcome a 32-point effort from Eddie House in a rematch of N.C. State's 73-68 victory here on Jan. 29.

The 6-foot-1 senior guard had only two of his points over the final 12 minutes as Wolfpack coach Herb Sendek employed a box-and-one defense. House missed the front end of a 1-and-1 opportunity with 1:18 left that could have given Arizona State a three-point lead, then missed a last-second shot after breaking open on the other end.

Inge made his follow shot off Damien Wilkins' miss and, after a missed shot and a walking call against Arizona State in a 30-second span, Wilkins closed it out with a two free throws with 7.4 seconds left.

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N.C. State trailed 41-23 with 14:15 left as House scored 24 of his team's 20 points during one span. But a 19-6 run highlighted by two 3-pointers by Tim Wells gave the Wolfpack a five-point lead with 5 1/2 minutes left.

The score was tied twice down the stretch before Inge's winning shot.

House scored 17 of Arizona State's final 19 points of the first half and assisted on the other basket. Over the last 3:50, he sank two 3-pointers, hit a baseline jumper, a shot in the lane and a three-point play.

House's scoring outburst came after the Sun Devils went scoreless for almost six minutes as the Wolfpack built a seven-point lead.

Arizona State closed the gap with a 13-4 run to grab a 27-20 lead before settling for a three-point advantage at the break as N.C. State had 10 turnovers.

House took 20 of Arizona State's 31 first-half shots and accounted for 21 of the team's 29 points in the opening 20 minutes as the Wolfpack outscored five defenders on the quick guard.

**Mississippi State 70, Southwest Missouri State 65**

Marquise Hicks scored 16 points and Rahim Lockhart muscled his way to 13 as Mississippi State pushed Southwest Missouri State right out of the National Invitation Tournament with a 70-68 second-round victory Tuesday night.

The 6-foot-6 Hicks and 6-8 Lockhart didn't have any height advantage on the Bears, but they proved to be too strong in the paint and on the glass for Southwest Missouri to handle.

Lockhart led 11 points, 11 in the final half, and Hicks had seven, as the Rams' physical play at both the paint and on the glass for the entire game at 75 on Don Majerle's driving layup and a three-point play to give the Rams a 91-82 lead.

**NBA**

**Gill leads Nets in win over Raptors**

Associated Press

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Marbury had 18 points and seven assists. Newman finished with 14 points for the Nets, who shot 51 percent from the field to move within two games of Orlando for the eighth and final playoff spot in the East.

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Irish pitchers prepare to take turns against Titans

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Writer

Coming off a successful 7-1 showing over spring vacation, the Irish baseball team plays its second home game of the season today versus the Titans of Detroit. An untested pitching staff willدفع the mound for the Irish against a club that was 14-33 last season.

“We don’t want to pitch any body an extended period of time,” said head coach Paul Mainieri. “We want our pitchers to be fresh for this weekend against Big East opponents Villanova.”

The Irish, who hold a 12-3 record, are off to their best start since 1963, when they also started 12-3. Notre Dame beat then-ranked University of Illinois twice, propelling the Irish to a No. 24 national ranking by Collegiate Baseball.

During the Jacksonville trip, freshman Brian Stavisky stepped up to lead the Irish offense. The rookie led the team in batting average, hits, and home runs during the final five games of the tournament. Stavisky produced at least one hit in each game of the tournament, while moving around the batting order between the No. 2, No. 4, and No. 5 spots in the lineup.

“I feel really comfortable at the plate now,” he said. “I feel really comfortable up there. The coaches have been helping me be more relaxed and see the ball and hit it. Everything went really well in the last few games.”

Stavisky’s play helped ignite an offense that had been somewhat stagnant, at least in comparison to the team’s successful pitching. The team’s earned run average now stands at an unbelievable 2.39.

Leading the pitching staff in Florida was ace right-hander Aaron Hellman. The junior captain dominated Big Ten opponents Illinois and Iowa in his two starts. Against Iowa, Hellman struck out 11 Hawkeyes while allowing only two runs in the complete-game victory.

But it was freshman pitcher J.P. Gagne who turned in perhaps the most important performance of the tournament for the Irish. The right-hander helped solidify the questionable Irish middle-relief corps as he tossed eight shutout innings and picked up two wins.

Senior right-hander Scott Cavy started against Central Michigan and pitched five shutout innings before being forced out when he was hit by a line drive. Cavy had to miss his second start in Florida, but will start this weekend at Villanova.

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behind Stanford’s Catherine Fox. Nixon’s
finish was the highest in the history of Notre Dame swimming and diving at the
NCAA Championships.

“We’ve always thought through the
course of her career that she’s one of the
best kids who’ve swam in college,” Weathers said.

“And we expect for her to
improve.”

She finished her weekend
with a 10th place finish in the
100-meter butterfly (1:01.06) and ninth place in the
100-meter freestyle (55.34). She earned All-
America honorable mention status for each swim.

Senior Shannon Suddarth closed her
career in winning style, capturing her
seventh All-America honorable mention in
four years. Suddarth became a four time
All-America honorable mention holder after an 11th place finish in the 200
meter breaststroke. Suddarth also finished
11th in the 100-meter breaststroke earlier
in the weekend, finishing in 1:09.98. Suddarth is the first Notre Dame swim-
mer to hold All-America rankings in
each of her four years.

The 400-meter relay team of senior
Elizabeth Barger, Suddarth, Nixon and
sophomore Kelly Hecking also swam to
the best finish of any Notre Dame relay team, placing ninth overall.

Winning the consolation final heat, the squad
improved two spots from their 11th
place finish a year ago, finishing in
4:07.00. The swim earned all four swimmers honorable mention All-America
honors.

Junior Alison Newell also made her
second career appearance at NCAA
finals, placing 12th in 2:13.24. The swim
was Newell’s first return to NCAA
finals since her freshman season in
1997.

Sophomore diver Heather Mattingly
finished 15th in the
three-meter and
one-meter diving
competitions to
earn honorable
All-America status.

The 200 medley relay team of
Barger, Suddarth,
Napper and Nixon also earned honorable
mention All-America honors for the sec-
ond year in a row, placing 14th in 1:55.15.

While one of the goals for the team
was to qualify more women for the
championship than last season, the team
managed to move up in the team rank-
ings with fewer swimmers and divers.

“We were able to move up to where
we wanted to be, and we did that with
fewer swimmers,” Weathers said. “Of
course, when you get there, you always
want to finish a little bit better. But we
accomplished everything we wanted to.”

Overall, the finish marked a shift for
the team they have been striving for all
season.

“It’s important for the kids to know
that they can be successful at this level.”
Bailey Weathers
head coach

Notre Dame’s 200-meter medley relay team earned All-American honors by plac-
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Riley named Academic All-American

Special to The Observer

Just two days after becoming the first Notre Dame women's basketball player to earn first-team Associated Press All-America honors, Ruth Riley became the program's first-ever first-team GTE Academic All-American. The 6-5 center, who boasts a 3.65 overall grade point average, was the only junior selected to the team. Riley is the fourth Irish women's basketball player to earn academic all-America honors and the first since 1983. Mary Beth Schueth was the last player to be named an academic all-American when she was selected as a second-team honoree in 1983, while Maggie Lally was the program's first and only two-time academic all-American as she garnered honors in both 1981 and 1980.

Joining Riley on this year's first-team were Kerri Alexander (Texas & A&M), Lisa Baswell (Jacksonville State), Karalyn Church (Vermont) and Jennifer Crow (Oklahoma State). Baswell also was named the GTE Women's Basketball Academic All-American of the Year.

Riley, a psychology major, has been named to the Dean's List all five semesters at Notre Dame. She is a member of the Academic Honors Program which pairs student-athletes who excel in the classroom with a faculty mentor and has twice been named to the Big East Academic All-Star team.

The 2000 Big East defensive player-of-the-year and a first-team all-Big East honoree in back-to-back seasons, Riley is leading the team in scoring and rebounding for the second straight year averaging 16.2 and 7.3 rebounds.

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MEN’S BASKETBALL

Irish enjoy homecourt advantage in NIT quarterfinals

By KATHLEEN O’BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame’s men’s basketball team will take on the Brigham Young Cougars tonight, hoping to extend their season once again and earn a trip to New York’s Madison Square Garden for the semifinals of the National Invitational Tournament (NIT).

But to do that, the Irish will have to throw a few wrenches into the Cougar’s game plan.

Coached by Steve Cleveland, the 22-10 Cougars are a Mountain West Conference team that is used to facing a man-to-man defense. Since the Irish play primarily zone defense, they will be looking to trip up the Cougars with the different style.

“I think we’re active in our zone and we rebound well,” Notre Dame forward Troy Murphy said. “A lot of teams know our zone was coming, and they didn’t handle it too well. So if they haven’t seen a lot of zone, it should go well for us.”

Other than the differing styles of defense, Notre Dame head coach Matt Doherty said a BYU team that resembles Notre Dame than did the Xavier Musketeers. While Xavier’s main attack was a full-court press, BYU uses mainly a half-court man defense.

Both teams are coming into the quarterfinals after home games Monday night games. Notre Dame beat Xavier 76-64, while BYU knocked off Southern Illinois 82-57.

The Cougars may be a little fatigued due to the quick turnaround between rounds. Their game was played at 11 p.m. EST Monday, leaving them with little time to make the cross-country trek and recover in time for tonight’s match.

The lack of downtime could also affect Notre Dame, however, since All-American Murphy is playing in a sprained ankle, and forward Harold Swanagan is icing his knee.

With two starters playing at less than 100 percent, the

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Off to a great start
Notre Dame baseball
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SWIMMING AND DIVING

Notre Dame captures more titles over spring break

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

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