Senators call meeting for alcohol resolution

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

The Senate decided Thursday to hold an emergency meeting on Sunday evening to pass a resolution calling for a review of the proposed ban of in-hall dances.

The primary reason behind the emergency meeting is to pass the proposed resolution before Monday's Campus Life Council meeting. If it passes, the resolution will be brought up at the same CLC meeting where Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, is expected to formally present revisions to the 18-year-old alcohol policy.

The resolution calls for students, faculty and administration to be involved in revising the changes to the in-hall dance policy.

"Life in the residence halls is a hallmark of the Notre Dame experience and the traditions of these residence halls bolster the Notre Dame community by bringing together the residences of a dormitory," the Senate Residence Life Committee wrote in a copy of the proposed resolution obtained by The Observer.

The resolution also refers to the potential cancellation of signature hall events and says the "direction of the proposed Alcohol Policy threatens to negatively alter traditions, some of which have lasted for over 20 years."

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After much discussion, senators decided to table their proposed alcohol resolution in order to make amendments. An emergency meeting has been called for Sunday so senators can approve the resolution.

Notre Dame gains new national prominence

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS
Notre Dame can take pride in another group of shining stars. Its restrooms.

A Web site has recognized the public restrooms in the Main Building at the University as the best in the United States.

"When I go to the john here now, I feel positively emboiled," said Michael O. Garvey, a Notre Dame spokesman.

"I’m told, although I haven’t been in there, that the women’s restrooms are very nice, too," he added Wednesday.

Notre Dame won the distinction after nearly a year of online voting at www.thebestofusa.com.

Voters were enthralled by the restrooms’ Victorian charm, including the floors imported from England, faucets with chrome and brass accents, and solid oak doors on the stalls.

The restrooms are cleaned three times a day, leading one voter to boast that the floors were "clean enough to eat off." Honored as he was, Gary Shumaker, the university’s director of facilities operations, wouldn’t go that far.

"We work hard to keep them clean, and we’re very pleased that somebody thinks that highly, but I wouldn’t eat off the floor," he said.

This bathroom’s victorian charm and imported floors in the Main Building were just two of the factors that helped the University gain recognition as having the best bathrooms in the U.S.

Bishop and Foley vow to represent students

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

Saying administrators "sold students short," Libby Bishop and Trip Foley renewed Thursday their commitment to fight proposed changes to the University alcohol policy.

Still more than a week away from taking office, Bishop and Foley said they would pick up where Wednesday’s rally left off and continue to represent student interests.

"I think that students were sold short by not involving them in the process of making this policy," Bishop said in a release. "I will personally take an active role on working with Bill Kirk [assistant vice president for Residence Life] and his office on the writing of this policy and ensure that a number or students will have input in the revision process.

Bishop and Foley enter office April 1 but this week began

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Libby Bishop and Trip Foley started their administration early with a rousing pledge to represent students, but they must make sure to follow through on their promises.
INSIDE COLUMN

Put things in perspective

Sheila Flynn

Notre Dame is one of the most respected and
recognizable educational institutions in the coun­
try. It is known for its academic and athletic excel­lence, but also for the integri­ty of its student body.

But judging the behavior of that same stu­dent body beginning Monday night, you’d never
know it.

As reports have rallied to whine and cry

"Opposition" over the past few days, they have
exhibited only their own immaturity and
contemptible lack of perspective. Eager to rebel
against number of alcoholic-related re­ports, they
alleged loss of "voice," they have attracted the
media to campus and, because of Notre Dame’s
name, gained national attention.

But, in the process, students have damaged
their own reputations, presenting an image of
themselves as spoiled, ungrateful children.

They have cavorted in front of the cameras,
yelling and out of control. The Observer can’t
say we blame them. We do, however, recognize
that we will make mistakes. If we have made a
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correct our error.

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ODAY IN NOTRE DAME HISTORY

University honors Cosby

Shelia Flynn

March 22, 1990

Notre Dame announced that entertainer Bill Cosby and 11 others would be given honorary degrees at the 145th Commencement Exercises. Cosby was also asked to be
the Commencement speaker while earlier that year he received an honorary doctor of laws degree from the
University.

THUSDAY, March 22, 1990

Wetherbee talks of shuttle flight

Shelia Flynn

March 22, 1990

Commander James Wetherbee, Notre Dame’s first gradu­
ate, talked about his experiences of being in
space. The IVF graduate was the pilot of STS-52, which
launched from Kennedy Space Center on Jan. 9, 1990. While in space the shuttle’s crew launched a Navy satellite and
retrieved a large facility containing long term scientific
experiments.

BEYOND CAMPUS

University of Wisconsin prepares for steep budget cuts

The Exponent

Put things in perspective

University of Wisconsin-Platte­ville education majors are bracing for a budget cut that Chancellor David Markle is calling the worst in his time. The university has begun educa­
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Friday, March 22, 2002

LOCAL WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast

The Jambar

Monday, March 22, 1990

YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

Students appeal for meat-free diets

The Jambar

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio

A videotape of bleeding, dying chickens being
ossed onto the backs of poultry trucks played over
and again on a television next to an information
hile members of Youngstown State University’s EnSaturday, March 22, 1990

NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather.com forecast for moon, Friday, March 22.

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By MAUREEN SMITHE
Senior Staff Writer

"Amistad" actor uses life to inspire students to make a difference

Derrick Ashong was born in Accra, Ghana, and moved to Brooklyn at age 3, on to Saudi Arabia at age 8, and then to New Jersey at 15 to finish high school. Opening his lecture with the question "Can anyone tell me what it means to be cool?" Ashong said his wide range of living experiences as a youth forced him to create his own identity. "I'm an Afro-American Arab kid. Where's my category?" Ashong said. "I was gonna do my thing and hopefully everything would work out."

This realization, he said, was a turning point in his life. The student said that all black people should follow her lead and reject welfare, affirmative action and other benefits of society given to minorities. Everyone agreed with him except for Ashong and the two black females. "I made my voice heard. I told him that I had a significant problem. Something had to be wrong with him because I could not remember the last time someone approached me and said, 'You are a man of an underrepresented minority group, is there anything I can do for you?'" Somehow I missed all the handouts that my people were receiving," Ashong said. "I'm too short for basketball. Too skinny for football. He hurt because I thought I had a significant problem."

Despite doubtful looks from high school guidance counselors and general questioning from his peers, Ashong applied to and was accepted at Harvard because of his good grades, heavy school and community involvement and extensive world traveling. However, when he arrived at the Cambridge, Mass., campus in the fall of 1993, he soon learned that once again he'd be forced to establish his own reputation. "I got there and there was this look — He's too short for basketball. Too skinny for football. He must be an affirmative action," Ashong said. "I remember being so hurt because I thought I had made it."

Ashong didn't just stop with admission to Harvard. For his senior year thesis, he petitioned to exercise a white male student read a poem by a black woman about her ability to overcome constant struggles in life. In reflection, the student said that all black people should follow her lead and reject welfare, affirmative action and other benefits of society given to minorities. Everyone agreed with him except for Ashong and the two black females. "I made my voice heard. I told him that I had a significant problem. Something had to be wrong with him because I could not remember the last time someone approached me and said, 'You are a man of an underrepresented minority group, is there anything I can do for you?'" Somehow I missed all the handouts that my people were receiving," Ashong said.

The night of the poetry reading, Ashong said he decided to go to Harvard because he wanted to prove that his spot would be rightfully earned, not handed out. "How would someone look at me and think I wasn't taking his place? What made it your place?" he asked.

Ashong's professors graded it summum cum laude, and he also earned the prestigious Hoops prize, which binds his work and places it permanently in the Harvard library system.

"Of all the people who thought I couldn't be here, who thought I was unfairly bumping them from their deserved spot — how many of them are authors at Harvard?" Ashong said. "I go through this story to illustrate a very simple point: for some very strange reason people didn't see in me what I saw in myself."

Ashong's accomplishments culminated in his supporting role in "Amistad." He said working on the role pulled him back to his roots to correlate a very simple concept. The show sold out every night and audiences left the theater with high acclaim for the project.

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Pope speaks on U.S. sex scandals

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY

Pope John Paul II, in a letter released today, weighed in for the first time on recent pedophile scandals in his church, saying "a dark shadow of suspicion" had been cast over all priests by "some of our brothers who have betrayed the grace of ordination" and succumbed to evil.

In his annual pre-Easter message to priests around the world, the pope did not mention the American church, which many Catholics in the United States say is undergoing the worst crisis in its history while Rome remains silent.

As they comfort the victims of abuse, the pope said, priests should redouble their search for faith. He expressed no opinion on the conduct of the American bishops.

"Grave scandal is caused," the letter said, "with the result that a dark shadow of suspicion is cast over all the other fine priests who perform their ministry with honesty and integrity and often with heroic self-sacrifice."

The way that the letter mentioned abuse victims is likely to disappoint those Catholics who were expecting a fuller, more pastoral response.

"As the church shows her concern for the victims and strives to respond in truth and justice to each of these painful situations," the letter said, priests must "commit ourselves more fully to the search for holiness."

LISA VELTE
The Observer

When I Was Younger...

my future was so easy to define. I was going to be a teacher or a doctor. I had no idea of what that would take. In college I found myself questioning my future all over again.

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DRINKING LIABILITIES

A banner hanging outside Zahm Hall.
**World News Briefs**

38 die in Colombia rebel clash: Heavy fighting in Bogota, near the Venezuelan border, killed at least 38 soldiers and leftist guerrillas. Colombia's military said Thursday the army said retreating rebels took refuge in the neighboring South American country. Elsewhere, guerrillas have occupied a pumping station at a reservoir in Colombia’s southern Andes, cutting the water supply to more than 50,000 people, authorities said.

Death toll tops 1,500 in Midwest: In nearly 18 months of violence, 1,221 people have been killed on the Palestinian side and 363 people on the Israeli side. The Palestinian figures include the 46 suicide bombers, seven suspected informers for Israel killed by Palestinian militants, 13 Israeli Arabs killed in pro-Palestinian riots and a German resident.

**National News Briefs**

U.S. restricts government Web sites: The White House has placed new controls on government information about weapons of mass destruction and is telling agencies to clear Web sites of even unclassified data that could help terrorists. Advocates for government openness say information about nuclear, biological, radiological and chemical weapons should be kept out of the hands of would-be attackers. They worry, however, that the guidelines released Wednesday could be used to withhold an array of other material as well.

Group requests morning-after pill: Some women's advocates urged Congress Thursday to pass a bill that would require hospitals receiving federal funds to ensure that sexual assault victims are told about emergency contraception. The contraception, known as the "morning-after pill," is a high dose of birth control pills taken within 72 hours of unprotected sex to prevent pregnancy.

**Indiana News Briefs**

Senator resigns after affair scandal: A Vigo County School Corp. custodian has been disciplined for having sexual encounters in the administration building with a former district administrator who is now a state senator in Terre Haute. Sen. Mark Blake, the school district's purchasing director since 1986, resigned from the position Feb. 21. At the time, he said his resignation was for personal reasons. The district's personnel office released disciplinary records Wednesday to the Tribune-Star, including a letter that custodian Trilla Siler wrote admitting that she and Blake had an affair.

**Market Watch March 21**

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**MEXICO**

Bush's trip unchanged by attacks

Associated Press

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**BRIEFS**

President George W. Bush, Mexican President Vicente Fox and Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien met Thursday for the United Nations summit meeting on global poverty despite terrorist attacks in Peru.

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Bush said the trip was "important." But it is also a test of Bush's ability to work with a region that continues to be plagued by civil unrest.

The president's visit to Peru comes just days after a grenade attack near a church service in Lima killed nine people. The president's first stop was in Monterrey, where he met with Mexican President Vicente Fox and Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien.

The subject of terrorism loomed large over Bush's day. Before boarding Air Force One for El Paso, Bush met with Milton Green, whose wife and step-daughter were killed in the Pakistan attack. And on the way home, he called Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi to discuss the attack by the offshoot of the Red Brigades terror group, in which an Italian economist was killed.

The president told reporters in Washington that Wednesday's attack in Lima, which killed nine people, would not make him change his travel plans. He is to visit Peru on Saturday, the first U.S. president to do so. He said he trusts that President Alejandro Toledo will make his country safe for his American visitors.

"Two-bit terrorists aren't going to prevent me from doing what we need to do, and that is to promote our friendship in the hemisphere," Bush said. "Our neighborhood is important to us, Peru is an important country. President Toledo has been a reformist, obviously worked within the democratic system. And you bet I'm going." Bush said "we might have an idea" who set off the bomb. "They've been around before," he said.

**House plans to disassemble INS**

Associated Press

House Republicans and Democrats agreed Thursday to dismantle the Immigration and Naturalization Service, which has come under intense criticism since the Sept. 11 attacks.

Under their plan, the INS would be replaced by separate bureaus for enforcement of immigration law and for providing immigration services. The bureaus would report to an assistant attorney general for immigration affairs, who would be the No. 3 official in the Justice Department.

"This agreement will allow Republicans and Democrats in Congress, in concert with the Bush administration, to work together on fundamentally dismantling the INS," said Rep. James Sensenbrenner, who chairs the House Judiciary Committee, which has oversight of the INS.


"We want this to be a comprehensive response to the disaster of immigration affairs," Lee said.

The INS has been criticized for years because of long backlogs of applications for benefits such as naturalization or permanent residency. INS supporters and critics say the agency is burdened with conflicting missions to help immigrants enter and stay in the country and to identify and keep out those who try to enter illegally or who may pose a danger.
American Resource Center at Pomona College and manager of a coalition of Midwest Asian university clubs. Mooko will address issues such as the Japanese internment during World War II, the U.S. spy plane over China in 2001 and recent hate crimes, according to Wisner. He will also give a presentation entitled "The Yellow Peril, A Thing of the Past and Current Trend." Throughout the day, conference participants will have the opportunity to attend 10 workshops held in Coleman-Morse Center classrooms. Clubs within the Coalition, including Korean-American, Vietnamese and Filipino-American organizations are sponsoring the workshops. The events include intellectual discussions on affirmative action, discrimination, Catholicism, Asian-American identity, the Asian media and inter racial relations. Workshops also include more light-hearted activities including sessions in cooking, dancing and origami.

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The Coalition will accept additional registrations on Saturday morning and through its Web site at www.nd.edu/~a3a4a/AAAC.

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By ANDY THAGARD
Assistant News Writer

The Coalition for Asian Awareness is hosting "In- Focus," a conference exploring Asian-American issues and celebrating diversity, on Saturday.

The daylong event, which corresponds with Asian Awareness Month, features speakers, panel discussions, workshops and a concluding banquet with keynote speaker Carolyn Woo, dean of the Mendota College of Business.

"We're really, really excited," said Monica Wisner, executive chair. "This is the first one, and we're trying to get students from all over to participate. This is definitely not just for Asian students."

The group has been interested in sponsoring such an event for the past few years and began official planning in November, according to sophomore Richie Dang, co-director of public relations for the conference.

"We basically contacted every club on campus, dorms and local businesses for funding," Dang said. "We're also generating revenue by charging a $10 fee in order to cover costs.

The conference kicks off with a lecture by Darren Moko, director of the Asian-American Resource Center at Pomona College and manager of a coalition of Midwest Asian university clubs. Moko will address issues such as the Japanese internment during World War II, the U.S. spy plane over China in 2001 and recent hate crimes, according to Wisner. He will also give a presentation entitled "The Yellow Peril, A Thing of the Past and Current Trend." Throughout the day, conference participants will have the opportunity to attend 10 workshops held in Coleman-Morse Center classrooms. Clubs within the Coalition, including Korean-American, Vietnamese and Filipino-American organizations are sponsoring the workshops. The events include intellectual discussions on affirmative action, discrimination, Catholicism, Asian-American identity, the Asian media and inter racial relations. Workshops also include more light-hearted activities including sessions in cooking, dancing and origami.

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meeting with University officials and organizing student response to the proposed changes.

Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, announced Monday three sweeping changes to the alcohol policy.

- The ban of "hard" alcohol in undergraduate residence halls,
- The ban of in-dorm dances known as "BVSs," and
- The revision of tailgating rules to allow drinking-age students to host parties before Saturday home football games in the fall.

Poorman said the changes would keep Notre Dame from becoming an alcohol-centered campus. He expected that University officers would approve the changes this summer and enact them in the fall.

If approved, they will be the first major amendments to the policy since 1988. The University first adopted an alcohol policy in 1984.

Revisions this year are the result of a two-year study into the alcohol use and abuse on campus, Poorman said.

But Bishop and Foley disagreed with the process officials used to develop the changes, saying it almost completely excluded students.

"This can never happen again," where they work for two years in secret," Foley said in a Wednesday interview. "Abusive drinking isn't a good thing, but this policy isn't going to solve that."

The pair took particular issue with the ban of in-dorm dances. Foley called the move "union-busting," and worried that it would endanger hall spirit.

"It's not a real solution," said Foley, who believed that drinking and socializing would shift off campus and pose safety risks for stu-
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held outside and under tents would be evaluated on a case-by-case basis as all dances are currently handled.

The supposed lack of student involvement in the formation of the alcohol policy was also emphasized by several senators, although no mention of student involvement was included in the draft of the resolution obtained by The Observer.

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New magazine aims to inform students on careers

By JOHN FANNING
News Writer

In order to better inform students of career options that fit with their passions and interests, a group of Notre Dame alumni and graduates has been working to establish a non-profit foundation called Changing Times.

The project, which is unaffiliated with the University, is the end result of a concept conceived by Keough juniors John Cannistra and Mirshak Mirshekari. But because the two founders are currently studying abroad, they have put the project in the hands of a staff of about 20 students with a variety of majors and interests.

According to the foundations mission statement, students often miss opportunities to pursue their dreams because they are unaware of the possibilities available to them. College students, the group has stated, have a two-fold need for better information on their career options and inspiration to use their unique skills and interests to transform society.

As a result of this concern, the foundation was formed with the goal of better informing students at Notre Dame and eventually at other schools across the country of career options that fit their dreams because they are unique skills and interests.

"The group is new in the process of submitting its business plan to the state of Indiana to become an official non-profit organization. That would allow the group to receive funding from foundations, individuals and corporate sponsors," Cannistra said.

Changing Times relies on a lot of networking," Cannistra said. "We have a couple of ambitious plans looming. We hope to have a national release this fall, to the school that we feel most need to hear our message.

Although Changing Times operates independently of the University, Dudley said the organization is working with the school "entirely on the outside of the system."

"We think that our mission is in line with the university's mission, and our goal is to work with a university in the future, though there is no relationship right now," she said.

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Prof talks on parents' WWII experiences

By JILL MAXBAUER
News Writer

Until recently, Lisa Ganser, a Professional Specialist of Biology at Saint Mary’s College, knew nothing about her parents experience during World War II. But her uncle’s discovery of family pictures in a book about the war in the Pacific inspired her to open up and discuss what had happened.

Her parents and grandmother visited schools and wrote letters and memories and sent them to Ganser.

"The most special part of this story is that it's never been told," Ganser said. "I didn't even know about it until two weeks ago," Ganser said. But she felt that the stories were so strong, she wanted to share them Thursday in a lecture entitled "The War: A Pacific Islander's Perspective."

Ganser’s mother was five years old living in Guam when she remembers her father talking about "something going on" in late October 1941. Her mother recalls the Guamanian’s feeling desolate by America, although they were always hopeful that the Americans would come back. But America’s left Guam completely defenseless for the Japanese invasion. That was quick, she said.

Ganser’s father vividly remembers a ten-month march that he and his cousin walked to concentration camps. The Guamanians were ordered out of the house and sent to the mountains. Those who couldn’t walk were carried, and the Japanese shot those who couldn’t be carried.

Ganser’s mother remembers watching her father play with his younger brother in this march. It contained my grandmother and newborn uncle, as well as our possessions — there was no grudging, no complaining. It was just something that they had to do. They were too scared to show emotions."

When they Guamanians got to the camp, they were told to build primitive huts and dig holes for toilets.

"These holes were awful. When it would rain, the holes would fill," Ganser said. "Spilling excrement everywhere...many people got sick." Ganser said. "My mother had food poisoning so bad, that when she coughed, worms flew out of her mouth."

The Japanese occupation went on for two and a half years. When the bombs were killed, the soldiers hid the Guamanians from the American soldiers and there was sexual atrocitations experienced by the young women.

"My mother witnessed all of these crimes, being people killed in front of their families," Ganser said.

As many as 700 people were killed, which is devastating for such a low population.

Ganser added, "A few years ago we received a compension check for one thousand dollars from the Japanese government as a form of apology I guess..."

Ganser said she found the strength the people of Guam showed during this time amazing.

"They prayed all the time. After the liberation, the people of Guam were quick to forgive...well not quick, but they forgave the Japanese for their actions," she said. "My hypothesis is that they are just like us. They are just part of their lives to forgive others."

Ganser’s father and grandmother lived on the island of Naha when their house was bombed. The family worked for the Naha Pineapple plantation.

Ganser’s father was eight years old and, along with a Japanese woman, had gone to school that day. They lived twenty miles from Pearl Harbor and saw the planes during the attack. "I wish I could have stayed with them so they didn’t see that," she said.

"My dad remembers the smoke being so thick and it was so hot that he felt like he had to run."

When her father ran back to the house, Ganser’s grandfather told him to stay inside while he went to look for his mother. He could feel the bullets hitting the ground and the planes shot at the house.

"My mother was out in the field for the second wave," Ganser said. "While all the women heard the planes, they didn’t take much notice since they lived in between military bases and planes were constantly in the air. That is until her friend saw the flying Sun on the planes and they all became worried."

After the attacks, everyone on the plantation had to dig their own bomb shelter.

"My dad's field was six feet under and ten feet wide, enough for a family of five, and it was stocked with water and canned food...and there was always the air raid sirens going off," Ganser said. "My grandmother said she got so sick of them that she was going to wait to feel the bullets before running to the shelter again."

Ganser said her father remembered the camps in the swamp could be swept away with a moment's notice.

"My dad’s friend that he was playing with that morning, their family was forced to leave the next day, since there was such intense suspicion," she said. "He never saw his friend again. And he lived in fear that my grandpa, who worked on the Japanese plantation, would be taken away."

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California dog owners found guilty on all counts

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

A woman whose two huge dogs mauled a neighbor to death in their San Francisco apartment building was convicted Thursday of murder, a charge almost never leveled in an animal attack. Her husband was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter.

Margorie Knoller, 46, could get 15 years to life in prison for the second-degree murder conviction in last year’s death of 33-year-old Diane Whipple, whose throat was ripped open in a gruesome attack that left the hallway spattered with blood.

Knoller looked stricken upon hearing the verdict, fighting back tears and turning to look at her parents. She appeared to mouth, “Help.”

Her 60-year-old husband, Robert Noel, showed no reaction. Both were convicted on the manslaughter charge, as well as a manslaughter charge, as well as involuntary manslaughter.

It was the first murder conviction in a dog-mauling case in California, and was believed to be the only the third of its kind in recent history.

The couple acquired the dogs from a farm in 2000 after Schneider complained the animals were being turned into “wusses” there. The dogs’ former caretaker later testified she had both outlawed her husband and her, which both outweighed the 110-pound victim.

The defense contended that Knoller and Noel could not have known their animals would kill, and that Knoller tried to save Whipple by throwing herself between her neighbor and the enraged Bane. They also disputed the witnesses’ accounts of being mauled by the dogs.

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Hobert Noel, who was not present during the attack and was not charged with murder, suggested Whipple may have taken the dogs’ attention with her perfume or even steroids.

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Leaders must confront officials

Address all types of violence

In the field of conflict resolution, two types of violence exist: hot and cold.

Hot violence is the death and chaos of Sept. 11. Hot violence is the Columbine High School massacre, the Oklahoma City bombing, and the atrocity of Oklahoma City. The unspeakable horror is visible and visceral. Outrage is immediate. Emotions are stirred. Cold violence has little of that. It is out of sight, so routine as to arouse few emotions, so ordinary as to leave the corporate media unstirred to report it.

Cold violence is the worldwide daily death toll of some 40,000 people from preventable hunger-related diseases. Cold violence is the dying of Iraqis everyday caused by U.S.-imposed economic sanctions. Cold violence is the killing of 12 million animals a day to satisfy America's taste for meat.

We learn to compartmentalize. But how can we be selective, condemning hot violence while condoning cold violence? Double-standard ethics that U.S. political leaders can demy the highly visible eruptions of violence — the World Trade Center, Columbine High, Oklahoma City — while ignoring public policy decisions that set systemic and institutionalized violence.

In 'The Redeemable Murderers, a classic text on nonviolence, Paul Hanley Farfey, the Catholic University sociologist, wrote: 'The sporadic crimes that roll the front pages, the daily robberies, assaults, rapes and murders, are works of the individual and small gangs. But the great evils, the perfections, the unjust wars of conquest, the mass slaughters of the innocent, the exploitation of whole social classes — these crimes are committed by the organized community under the leadership of respected citizens.'

Since Sept. 11 and Oct. 7, pilots from the world's richest nation began bombing impoverished people in Afghanistan, those of us who are pacifists have found ourselves denounced for not waving flags or joining the horde who cheer George W. Bush and his war against "terrorism."

A familiar script is being followed, as written by Hermann Goering, the Nazi leader: "The people can always be brought to the bidding of the leaders. That is easy. All you do is to tell them they are being attacked and denounce the pacifists for lack of patriotism."

The solution? Withdraw support — political, financial and emotional — from all double-standard practitioners of violence, both or cold, legal or illegal. Transfer the support to those working to eliminate violence, no matter where it found or who is madly justifying it.

This nonviolent response to Sept. 11 is in the tradition of Gandhi, Dorothy Day, Jeannette Rankin, Daniel Berrigan and groups like Pax Christi, the War Resisters League and the Fellowship of Reconciliation.

It is saying yes behind the attacks: we forgive you. We reject violence. We believe in political, legal and moral solutions to settling grievances, not killing more people and then consuming the bodies of those still more moral courage, to ask the attackers to forgo America's flood of our violence, for being the world's major arms peddler, for having a military budget 23 times greater than the combined military budgets of our seven alleged enemies, for supporting dictators, for militarizing our schools with ROTC programs, for confering honorary degrees on presidents who believe in increasing budgets for military violence while decreasing funds for the poor.

Where to begin this overhaul? Perhaps in the schools, with peace education. Unless we teach our children peace, someone else will teach them violence.

Colman McCarthy, a former Washington Post columnist, directs the Center for Teaching Peace in Washington, D.C. He will deliver the keynote address in the Undergraduate Peace Conference at 7 p.m. tonight in the College of Business Administration's Jordan Auditorium. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Searching for integrity in politics

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Lettor to the Editor

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Students have made some excellent points regarding the changes in the alcohol policy, however, I would like to see the proof that backs these changes up.

Father Mark Poorman claims 30 focus groups were consulted before this decision was made, but declines to specify who they were and what was said. His letter makes references to percentages, numbers, and statistics. This lack of articulation is a red flag for me. When you’re making decisions that impact fifty thousand students and their families, you should be able to back up your claims with facts and statistics.

Perhaps if students had access to the results of this study, we could better understand the decision that was made. If the situation is really that bad, then the evidence will be right there for all of us to see. At a university of the caliber of Notre Dame, it would seem reasonable to believe that the students would be educated on the administration’s decision through the publication of these statistics. Whatever that insight may be, however, the university would have no obligation to share that information with the students who are attempting to protest. Who knows, we might even agree.

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New rules show lack of respect for students

As an off-campus, 21-year old senior next year, the new alcohol policies do not affect me in the least. In fact, I'm now better off since I can tailgate without fear of five or harassment like so many of my tailgaters experienced this past season.

So why am I bothered about Father Poorman's new policy? It shows an utter lack of respect for the student body. Of course, this problem is not new, and Notre Dame faculty members face similar problems, but never has this outraged been so manifest as now. Much is being said about the direct impact of the policy on campus. I wish to address myself to the larger picture here.

I doubt that anyone would deny that the students, faculty and alumni of Notre Dame are what make us a great University. Notre Dame carries a tradition of excellence in academics, but unlike other top-tier schools, we have strong social traditions that make us a family, resulting in one of the most dynamic alumni networks in the country.

Furthermore, unlike so many other universities, we have great respect for our school. We do not riot when we win national championships (or lose them). and we do not hold mass protests against policies we think are unjust. We usually respect the students do. no matter how much backing from all majors, ages, sexes, races.

What Poorman's policies tell us is that the University does not see students as adults, but as unwise youngsters that must be monitored and controlled in every way, shape and form. Instead of approaching us as adults, seeking our input (and I'm not talking focus groups possibly made up of anti-drinking, anti-social people here), the administration acted like bad parents. They waited until housing contracts were in for the next year and until RA's were hired (I'm sorry, guys) to unveil their tradition-killing policies.

It was a silly move. Perhaps the students, forced to live under their new, tighter rules, will eventually forget over the years and tailgating and there would be minimum of student response. Wrong. There will be enough of us that remember when we were social on campus to keep the fire alive.

The problem goes way beyond alcohol, parietals, or even being able to fish in the lake. The lives and livelihoods of the heart and soul of the school, the students and faculty are in the hands of a handful of administrators, some of whom probably wouldn't want it like it was a college student. We have no voice and when we ask for one, we are refused. The saddest thing of all, however, is that no matter what the students do, no matter how much backing from all majors, ages, sexes, races, sexual persuasions or social types we have, the administration will not listen. I feel sorry for the underclassmen and the incoming freshmen. They all deserve to have the same Notre Dame tradition I experienced as a freshman and sophomore.

When I came to Notre Dame as a freshman, I was amazed at the level of camaraderie and closeness in the dorms. I had close friends at every grade level, in every major, and I never felt the need to leave campus to have a good time. I seldom felt held down by the rules. In the short three years that I have been a student here, much has changed. Already, before the new alcohol regulations have taken effect, I have noticed a dwindling dorm spirit, or rather a finite starved for oxygen from an overheating administration. I have seen our administration take action against long-standing traditions that were never a problem and stifle our spirits without warning. Three years ago, I would have recommended this school to anyone. Now, I see Notre Dame as an excellent place to delay or harm one's social development and to increase one's stress level to outrageous levels.

Some people argue that if you don't love the school, including all the changes they may care to make at will, you should find somewhere else to go. If the administration wants to parent a school full of overvested, face-10-wielding, drunk-driving, immature and sexually motivated fools, then we are the few and mostly underclass students live in the dorms (where they can't wait to get out), they may.

However, I cannot have respect for an administration that does not respect us or treat my friends and me as adults. Give us a say, a real say, and mean it, or I guarantee Notre Dame will not be Notre Dame any more—it will be another school in the Midwest, and that would be a shame.

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I was a sophomore in 1984. I expect­ed to live on campus until I was a senior. Then the 1984 alcohol policy was announ­ced. It took two minutes for us to agree that we were moving off campus early.

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Scene Monte Critics

In most years, by the time the Academy Awards ceremony rolls around, the winners have already become a foregone conclusion. Because the Oscars arrive at the end of a long line of awards shows and critics' picks, which statistically predict the Academy's selections quite well, the actual bestowing of the golden statue seems little more than a formality. But not so this year.

While some frontrunners have emerged, the 74th Annual Academy Awards seems ripe for surprises and upsets. As always, behind-the-scenes antics and Hollywood politics cloud the issue of who or what is actually the most deserving, but this year the diverse nature of the nominated films and acting roles has split the industry more than ever, resulting in a wide variety in their choice of winners.

Each of the films nominated for Best Picture, for instance, has received that highest designation by some other voting body, making predictions much more difficult.

In both the male and female lead acting competitions a heated two-way race has developed. For the men, Oscar forecasters are debating between Russell Crowe and Denzel Washington. For the women, Sissy Spacek and Halle Berry are battling it out.

Also adding to the drama, this year marks the first time three African Americans have been nominated in lead acting categories. In the past, only Sidney Poitier has achieved the Best Actor award, while no black woman has ever earned the prize. Denzel Washington, Will Smith and Halle Berry will look to increase that total.

Interestingly, Poitier will receive an Honorary Life Achievement Award for his career in film.

To find out the winners and check out the stars' attire, tune into the 74th Academy Awards, hosted live on ABC by Whoopi Goldberg this Sunday at 8 p.m.

Below is an in-depth look at each category and Melissa (MI) and Matt's (MN) predictions:

Best Picture

The race for the most sought-after trophy in entertainment consists of five very different films. Leading the pack is "A Beautiful Mind," which depicts the true story of John Nash and his battle with schizophrenia.

Well, "true" might be too strong of a word considering the media backlash the film has received for its alleged historical inaccuracies.

But these criticisms (instigated by Miramax, who's pushing its contender, "In the Bedroom") have been met with equal support from journalists who feel that the film is truthful to the spirit and overall life of its subject.

Controversy aside, the film has been well-received by both critics and audiences.

Which brings us to "Lord of the Rings," the expensive, action-packed box office hit that mimics the style and success of last year's winner, "Gladiator." However, fantasy films have never done well on Oscar day, so voters will be hesitant to award the series from the get-go.

"Moulin Rouge" has been gaining steam according to some pundits, but it's a stretch to think that such a wild and innovative film will appeal to the Academy's more conservative contingent.

"In the Bedroom" is the critical darling, but unlike "American Beauty," the previous award-worthily acquired suburban family film, it doesn't have much comedy or optimism.

But not least, there is "Gosford Park." This upstair-downstairs Robert Altman ensemble is set in a mansion on the English countryside. On Sept. 11, the Academy wants to award a film that lifts the spirits and verifies the triumph of human nature. No movie about a bunch of gossipmongering snobs will receive much acclaim at the show.

The winner will be: MI: Russell Crowe
MN: "A Beautiful Mind"

Best Actor
Nominees: Russell Crowe for "Monster's Ball," Jude Law for "Iris," Nicole Kidman for "Moulin Rouge," Sissy Spacek for "In the Bedroom" and Renee Zellweger for "Bridge Jones's Diary"

This is a three-way race between Berry, Kidman and Spaceck. Dench has won enough Oscars already, and not enough people saw "Iris," so she's unlikely to win. Zellweger should feel honored just to be nominated.

Spaceck was the early favorite after winning over the New York and Los Angeles Film Critics associations, the Foreign Press Association (Golden Globes) and the American Film Institute. Berry's recent victory at the Screen Actors Guild has caused a stir, however, with many pointing out the Academy tends to favor younger actresses (Julia Roberts' win last year). Kidman is also poised as a potential usurper of Spaceck's crown, as voters may want to congratulate her for both of her acclaimed performances ("Moulin" and "The Others"); as well as her personal triumph follow­ing that nasty divorce with Tom Cruise.

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Cummings day to finally join the Big Top.

The winner will be: 
MR: Robert Altman
MN: Ron Howard

**Supporting Actress Nominees:** 
Jennifer Connelly for "A Beautiful Mind." Helen Mirren for "Gosford Park," Maggie Smith for "Gosford Park," Marisa Tomei for "In the Bedroom" and Kate Winslet for "Iris"

Unlike most categories this year, the Supporting Actress race has a clear favorite: Jennifer Connelly. She has emerged as a fine actress in the past few years, starring in smaller independent films and winning the highly coveted part opposite Russell Crowe in "A Beautiful Mind." In terms of actual screen time, the character of Alicia Nash, John Nash's wife and main source of support, is nearly a leading role. Academy voters recognize this and will reward her effective, moving performance with the Oscar. Helen Mirren and Maggie Smith will split the "Gosford Park" vote, and both Marisa Tomei and Kate Winslet seem to lack support.

The winner will be: 
MR and MN: Jennifer Connelly

**Best Supporting Actor**

While Broadbent and Kingley were raves for their performances this year, McKellen is the likely favorite. As Gandalf the Wizard, McKellen provided the heart and soul of "Lord," the year's most-nominated film. Voters who could not muster the courage to vote for the fantasy picture for Best Picture will want to compensate by awarding the film an acting award. As for the others, "Training Day" belongs to Washington, not Hawke; and Voight did not have enough screen time (barely 13 minutes) in "All" to make him a legitimate contender.

The winner will be: 
MR and MN: Ian McKellen

**Screenplay - Original**
Nominees: "Amélie," "Gosford Park," "Memento," "Monster's Ball" and "The Royal Tenenbaums"

While each of these films won many critical accolades, "Memento" is the most deserving and should win the award. Having been unfairly ignored in the Best Picture category, this award would be a fitting consolation to the film's writer/director Christopher Nolan.

Unfortunately, the film that will likely win the award is "Gosford Park," the winner of the Writers Guild of America award for best screenplay. The WGA often forecasts the Oscars accurately; however "Memento" was left off its ballot due to technicality and therefore never considered.

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"The Lord of the Rings," with its 13 nominations, may not win as many awards as hoped, since there are still two more movies to follow and receive acclaim.
2002 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament

Indiana upsets top-seeded Duke, 74-73

Associated Press

LEXINGTON, Ky. — With a never-give-up rally and a solid
ending, Indiana produced an upset of Duke as stunning as any in the Hoosiers' hoops history.

Chipping away persistently at a deficit that was as big as 17 points, Indiana took advantage of another Jason Williams mis-
cue at the foul line and beat the defending national champion Blue Devils 74-73 in the South Regional semifinals Thursday night.

Top-seeded Duke had a chance to tie it with 4.2 seconds left when Williams — a non-All-American — was fouled. He made a long 3-pointer to get the Blue Devils within a point. But he missed the free throw, and Carles Boozer couldn't convert a foul shot.

Indiana (23-11), seeded fifth, made it its first trip to a regional final since Bob Knight took them to the final four in 1993. The Hoosiers will play the winner of the Kent State-Pittsburgh game with a chance to move on to the Final Four.

"No one believed in us, that we could win this basketball game," Hoosiers coach Mike Davis said. "I hope now that people know I can coach. It was the most significant victory of his tenure, which began when Knight was fired in 2000. Davis has had to deal with the pressure of succeeding a coach who won three national titles in a state that loves basketball for 14 hours.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish expecting close match against Hoosiers

By JOE LINDSEY
Sports Writer

The last two times Notre Dame played Indiana, the Irish lost to the Hoosiers, 4-3.

Saturday, when the seventh-ranked Irish travel to Bloomington, they expect some resistance but are eager to allow the 57th-ranked Hoosiers to upset them.

"I think they always give us some trouble," Notre Dame's Javier Taborga said. "The last two years they beat us, and I think the team is waiting for this for redemption."

The last two times, Notre Dame had the skill and ability to win, according to Taborga, moved from the 20th-ranked to the 11th-ranked singles player in the nation after going 4-0 at last weekend's Blue-Gray Classic.

"I think we were a lot better than they were," he said. "They caught us at a point in the season when we were not playing well. That's the opposite now. Right now we are coming out of a very good month, and we are very strong in certain positions. I think they are going to have way too much trouble beating us."

Although Notre Dame lost to then-eighth-ranked Illinois on Sunday at the Blue-Gray Classic and subsequently dropped from fourth to seventh in the rankings as the Illini rose to second, the Irish do not feel that they are in a rut as they prepare to take on Indiana.

"The circumstances are really the opposite from the last year when they beat us," Taborga said.

Against Illinois last weekend, Notre Dame was without the services of number three player Aaron Talarico, who was hospitalized during a close Irish victory against Harvard the day before. Additionally, the Blue-Gray Classic was Notre Dame's first outdoor tournament of the season, while the match at Indiana will be played indoors.

"Although we lost to Illinois, I think we know that with all the guys healthy and the way we've been playing indoors, we shouldn't have a problem," Taborga said. "I think the team is playing better indoors than outdoors."

Talarico is disappointed he could not participate on Sunday but he does not feel the loss to Illinois has adversely affected his team.

"The Blue-Gray was the kind of tournament where everyone was gunning for us. Yeah, we were disappointed, but at the same time we really take our doubles will get stronger indoors, and hopefully we will be able to build on that and then bring the (improvement) outdoors."

The team's strengths overpower its weaknesses though, as evidenced by its 15-4 record. According to Talarico, Notre Dame's greatest asset is its team chemistry. something he thinks has been complemented by Taborga's performances and leadership.

"Javier has made our team the difference between being a 20th-ranked team and a top ten ranked team," he said. "He's playing some ball, and it's helping our team a lot."

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COLUMBUS, Ohio

With tears, silence and eventually cheers, Columbus hockey fans paid their respects to the 13-year-old girl who died after being hit by a puck. Britannie Cecil died Monday, two days after being struck by a puck during Columbus' game against Calgary. The eighth-grader from suburban Dayton was remembered with a moment of silence prior to the start of Thursday night's game against Detroit.

By the finish, the crowd gave both teams a standing ovation as they left the ice after the Red Wings won a wild 3-2 game on Sergei Fedorov's wraparound goal 25 seconds into overtime.

Niklas Lidstrom had three assists and Brendan Shanahan had two assists for the Red Wings.

Fedorov had tied it from the right dot with 4:47 left in regulation after Shanahan's slap shot bounced to him off Columbus defensemen Ruslan Klesla.

Jaroslav Spacek, acquired earlier this week in a trade with Chicago, scored short-handed for his first goal in a Columbus uniform to provide the Blue Jackets' second goal.

Spacek also figured in two other key plays, checking Detroit's Chris Chelios in the final minute of regulation when it appeared he had a clear path to the goal, and then hammering a hard slap shot in the final seconds that Dominik Hasek deflected with his chest pad.

That was part of a wild last 45 seconds of 4-on-4 after Kris Draper had his stick taken by the Columbus bench and he retaliated by slashing at the bench.

Columbus led 2-1 through two periods, Ray Whitney picking up his 20th goal 2:03 when he jammed a pass from David Vyborny past Hasek. Whitney extended his goal streak to three games in a row.

After the Red Wings evened it on a soft goal allowed by Columbus goaltender Marc Denis — Kirk Maltby's lazy scoop shot from the right boards somehow eluded Denis — the Blue Jackets took the lead again on Spacek's nifty goal.

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Irish hope to take away Hofstra's pride

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

It has been a tough year for the Notre Dame men's lacrosse team.

The Irish have lost four games against some of the stiffest competition in the country by a combined five goals.

With a 1-4 record, the good news is that the Irish still have a lot of lacrosse left to play to turn their season around.

The bad news is that the opposition will not get any easier this Saturday when the Irish play host to the visiting Pride of Hofstra.

Hofstra has been a thorn in Notre Dame's side over the last three years, including handing the Irish their only regular-season defeat last year.

The No. 12 Pride have defeated the Irish three straight times, each time by one goal.

Notre Dame coach Kevin Corrigan believes this game is critical for the Irish to gain some confidence as they try to return to the NCAA tournament. Hofstra is Notre Dame's last opponent before they begin Great Western Lacrosse League divisional play, which will determine the Irish postseason prospects.

"We cannot worry about what has happened in the past against Hofstra," said Corrigan. "Right now we just need to focus on the next game we play. We really need a win this week to try to get back to the NCAA Tournament."

Although Hofstra's record sits at 3-3, they enter this game coming off an impressive 11-8 victory over Fairfield. Captain Devin Ryan and the rest of his fellow seniors would love to defeat Hofstra for the first time in their careers, but they know this game will not be easy.

"Hofstra is definitely a good team," said Ryan. "They are strong every single year, and they will be no different on Saturday. They are capable of beating anyone in the country."

The key to Irish success against the Pride will be stopping senior attackman Tom Kessler. Through six games, Kessler has scored 11 goals and registered 10 assists en route to a team-leading 21 points.

Notre Dame's defense, led by senior captain A.J. Wright, performed well against third-ranked Loyola and fourth-ranked Virginia, but the Irish still came up short at the end of the seasons.

"Our defense has played very well, but it does not matter if the other team scores more goals than you at the end of the game," said Corrigan. "Our offense is improving, but we need a total team effort against Hofstra."

The Irish offense has struggled with consistency this season because it has had to replace so many starters from last year. The youth movement on the Irish offense, led by freshmen Brian Giordano and Matt Malakoff, has improved since the beginning of the year.

"I'm very pleased with how our younger guys have been playing. They keep getting better each game," said Corrigan.

"We need our veterans to step up their play. We have to do a better job of taking care of the ball on offense."

Kevin Corrigan
head coach

Irish sophomore midfielder Owen Mulford looks downfield during Notre Dame's 10-9 loss to Penn State earlier this season. The Irish host Hofstra on Saturday.
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the other three halls. The Angels have already managed to score 52 points, and with two of their teams playing in championship games, they could add 30 more points to their total.

The Comets of LeMans will be taking on Holy Cross's Little Rascals in soccer, while Le Bak will be taking on Holy Cross's Prom Queens in volleyball. The Prom Queens will be making a repeat appearance at Midnight Madness, coming in as the defending champions after defeating the Senior Spikers last year.

The basketball finals will be a battle of the car-driving, off-campus crowd. The Super Sexy Seniors will be taking on the Basketball Bells in a match that promises to be entertaining. The Super Sexy Seniors, with varsity athletes such as Rachel Deer, Kelly Roberts, and Mary Campbell, will provide stiff competition for the Basketbelles.

Following the intramural championship games, athletic activities that the whole campus will be able to enjoy. There will be several drawings, class spirit contests, games, and food. But for all those involved in planning the event, it is really about school pride.

"The whole purpose of the night is really to share Saint Mary's spirit and pride," said Athletic Director Lynn Kachmarik, who introduced the event three years ago. According to Kachmarik, the planning committee is hoping for an increase in participation, from the over 800 community members who came last year, to more than 1,000 this year.

"One of our goals this year is not only increasing the number of guests in attendance, but to keep them longer," Kachmarik said. "We don't want people coming and going. So we've tried to make some changes in the course of the night, throughout the duration."

Those changes include a surprise opening that the planning team has been referring to as "the Opening Spectacular." Aside from Kachmarik, Miller and a few other members of the planning team, the opening will be a surprise even to those who have helped planned Midnight Madness.

"The main thing with the opening spectacular is that the people on the planning committee know every detail of the night, so nothing has been a surprise," Miller said. "This way we still have a surprise to them. Since only a few of us know exactly what is going to happen.

The madness gets under way tonight at 8 p.m. and all students, except those who have ticket stubs from last year.

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It wasn't whether Richardson would sue. The appeal to Sugg was seen as a prerequisite for any action through the courts or government agencies.

"We're not going to move in haste. We'll consider all options carefully and in due course," said Richardson's lawyer, John Walker. "It'll be awhile before we choose to do anything. We won't make any announcement about it. We'll just do it if we do it."

For a time, and with input from several others, Richardson tried to develop a variety of conditions under which he might stay at the university. Walker said. One set of suggestions, obtained by The Associated Press, demanded that Broyles resign and that Richardson be allowed to take a year off.

"We were asked by emis­ saries, purportedly represent­ ing the university, what condi­ tions would be appropriate in order to resolve this matter," Walker said.

Walker and university lawyer Fred Harrison said Richardson never presented the demands to Arkansas.

"They were never presented because our settlement discus­ sions broke down," Walker said.

White terminated Richardson's contract March 1 and said the coach had asked privately and publicly to be bought out.

Richardson said Feb. 23 and Feb. 25 that if the university bought out his contract, he would leave. He said later, however, that he wanted to stay and asked Sugg to review White's decision.

NCAA COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Arkansas upholds coach's dismissal

Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.

The University of Arkansas' top executive upheld the dis­ missal of basketball coach Nolan Richardson, saying Thursday that he concurred in a campus chancellor's decision to fire the basketball coach.

President B. Alan Sugg said he reviewed 80 pages of mater­ ial submitted by Richardson and interviewed a number of people while doing his own research. In the end, he agreed that the coach should be replaced.

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Irish carry win streak into Big East opener

By CHRIS FEDERICO

Sports Editor

Following the Irish Baseball Classic in San Antonio, Texas, at the end of spring break, the Irish have started to come together, winning four straight games to push their record to 9-6.

"After losing those games we dropped out of the top 25, but at the same time, our team is just finding itself," Stanley said. "We're learning about each other and becoming a team.

Several Irish hitters have been on a roll lately, including Stanavsky, Bok and Bushey, who are each hitting over .400 for the season. Stavisky has already made a powerful impact with his return to the lineup, belting three home runs and boasting a monstrous 1.048 slugging percentage.

Part of the staple of the Irish lineup this year has been the impressive contributions of several veteran players. Irish starters, including last year's Big East Rookie of the Year Steve Sollmann and preseason All-American Brian Stavisky, have been dominant.

"I don't really think [the injuries] have been that bad, especially because it's mainly been the veteran players that have been shifting around a lot," Andrew Bushey, Irish captain, said.

"We've had so many vital injuries," senior captain Steve Stanley said. "You really don't realize with guys like [former Irish pitchers Aaron Heilman and Danny Tamayo] last year, how important it is to have such a great defense behind you. Especially with some of our inexperienced young pitchers, we're really finding out now what good defense is all about.

The injuries, combined with the fact that the Irish were playing mostly Southern teams in their own regions, led the Irish to a 5-6 start.

"We had been struggling early," Stanley said. "When we first went to South Carolina and Texas, we lost three of the four games, so we started out with a real tough start.

In their earlier struggles, the Irish suffered injuries to starters at every infield position, causing many players to be forced into unusual situations, including having catcher/third baseman Paul O'Tool start his first game at second base since high school and seniors Ken Meyer and Matt Bok starting at first base and left field, respectively.

"I don't really think [the injuries] have been that bad, especially because it's mainly been the veteran players that have been shifting around a lot," Irish captain Andrew Bushey said. "For the most part, it's been minor adjustments, but it's been adjustments we've handled pretty well."

The Irish have now started their Big East season at Connecticut this weekend.

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Ament defeated Grochal 5-0 and Chiu 5-3. "I was pretty confident going in because I already knew how to fence both girls," Ament said. "Because I know that was the head-to-head competition, I was even more prepared. I was pretty pumped up for it."  

Kryczalo's 60 indicator, her touches scored minus her touches received, is 14 more than Ament's and 26 more than Wayne State's Inga Wallrabenstein, who is in third place. In yielding only 10 touches and compiling a 14-0 record, Kryczalo could not have planned a better opening day.  

"I thought I could score like that because I felt a lot of pressure on me because I am one of the fencers who can win this," she said. "I felt glad to do this well because I couldn't do any better."  

With the success of the foil team came the disappointment from women's sabre. Cari McCullough's eight victories and sophomore Destanie Milo's five gave the Irish 13 points, but placed them sixth overall.  

"There was a lot of fencing left," said Milo. McCullough and Milo could not build any momentum. Their one win in the first round caused assistant coach Janusz Bednarski to tell the fencers to regain their focus.  

"During the first round (the bad start) messed me up badly, but after the first round I got myself back on track mentally," said Milo. McCullough had a more interesting method.  

"Janusz told Destanie and I to just do whatever it took to get our heads back into the game," said the senior sabre captain. "I called my friend, who is a singer. He is a good luck charm for me really. I told him to sing to me, and he did. It calmed me down I think ... Then I got back in and I was in a good mood. I forgot about the first round and everything was fine."  

After their disappointing opening round, McCullough rebounded to win seven of her next nine matches, while Milo took five of nine. During that comeback, McCullough defeated MIT's Caroline Purcell, the 2000 NCAA champion.  

Knowing his women's sabre squad underachieved, head coach Yves Auriol realizes a better effort is necessary on day two.  

"Women's sabre is so strange. With what Cari did today, after a shaky first round, she came back, and that means she is strong and is functioning," said Auriol. "But the big disappointment of the day is Destanie Milo. We need a better showing from Milo to win the overall title, and I'm sure she will."  

In women's epee, sophomore Kerry Walton sits in third place with a 12-2 record in her NCAA Championships debut. Junior captain Anna Carrick is in eighth place and has nine wins.  

Walton started off winning her first six matches before losing 2-3 to St. John's Emese Takaacs, the defending epee national champion. Carrick and Walton both beat 2001 runner-up Arine Stevens to give Notre Dame a split against St. John's. Walton scored the winning touch with four seconds left in overtime to earn a 4-3 victory.  

"Their women's team is extremely strong," Walton said. "They beat us during the regular season so it was great to split with them. That was excellent."  

The big match-up for the epeeists today will come from Penn State. Stephanie Elm is in first place with a 14-0 record and 2000 champion Jessica Burke has nine wins. The Irish, with 23 wins, are in second behind the Nittany Lions' 23.  

Despite his team being in first place after day one, Auriol does not want to entertain the idea of winning a national championship.  

"There is a lot of fencing left," he said. "I don't even look at the score. I don't want to know."  

The women's competition concludes today and the men will fence on Saturday and Sunday.
Irish kick off conference season

By AARON RONSHEIM
Sports Writer

Two doubleheaders at home this weekend will give the Notre Dame softball team’s Big East schedule the Irish (8-12) will play two games against Rutgers on Saturday, followed by two more against Villanova on Sunday. Players are eager to spend a weekend in South Bend and play at home for the first time this year. “We are excited to be back at home,” centerfielder Jenny Kriech said. “We have been traveling a lot this season. We are really pumped to play in front of a home crowd.”

After the toughest pre-conference schedule in school history, in which the Irish played eight top-25 teams, they hope that the tough schedule has prepared them for Big East competition. “I think it is going to be a huge advantage for us because we have been facing all the top teams,” said third baseman Andrea Loman. The Irish will face two teams at the opposite ends of the standings this weekend. Rutgers has a record of 1-11 and has scored only 22 runs in those 12 games. Villanova, along with Notre Dame, was picked to win the Big East conference. The Wildcats are 12-2 with the help of Theresa Hornick, the preseason Big East pitcher of the year. Even though Rutgers has gotten off to a slow start, they are very capable of turning their season around. Under Pat Willis’ 30 years of coaching, the Scarlet Knights have only finished fourth in the Big East three times. “Their record doesn’t tell what they are made of. We saw them play, and they are a good and scrappy team,” said Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf.

Brettney Neer leads the Scarlet Knights with a .414 batting average, good enough for fifth place in the Big East. This will be the only time that Notre Dame gets the chance to play these teams, so games will be important for both teams, especially the Villanova-Notre Dame matchup.

Last season, Villanova finished with a 43-10 record under coach Maria DiBernard. The Wildcats are looking to improve on that record with their strong pitching staff. Besides Hornick (15-1), Villanova has Shannon Williams (3-0) and Kristen Hayes (2-0) who are responsible for a team earned run average of only 1.23. Offensively they are led by junior Sara Carlson, the Big East preseason Player of the Year, and Ricci Lugo, who has six home runs on the year, along with a .417 avg. and 25 RBIs.

When asked about pitching around Lugo or any special plans, Gumpf said, “We will go right at her. She is good, we just have to be smart.”

Even through the Wildcats have gotten off to a good start, Loman is confident about Notre Dame’s chances against the Wildcats. “We know how we measure up against them. We think we are the better team, so we just have to stick to it and let them know who is top in the Big East,” said Loman. The Wildcats will face a very balanced Irish team. The Irish have five players with more than five RBIs. The Irish have 11 round trippeons on the year and over spring break Jarrah Myers broke the career record for home runs with her 14th of her career against Oregon. The Irish believe that their previous success will carry over into the weekend. “I think it will be a really good weekend for us. We have had some really tough competition, but overall we’ve meshed over spring break, and I think we can have a great weekend,” said Loman.

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9:30 - 10:30 Panel Session #1 A Roundtable Discussion with
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Peace Education Initiatives Degrees of Identity
Religious Foundations of Looking at the Aftermath:
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10:45 - 11:45 Panel Session #2
Colman McCarthy International Responses to
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When the Irish have a problem and no one else can help, all they have to do is find the A-Team. Just like the 1980s TV show, the Irish A-Team always delivers. And they do it with stone-cold efficiency.

Ament and Kryczalo’s bouts are rarely suspenseful or even exciting. Kryczalo won eight of her bouts without yielding a touch while Ament shut out two of her opponents. The closest bout Thompson jumped out to a 4-1 lead before Ament mounted her comeback. With machine-like efficiency, she calmly broke down Thompson’s defenses and collected a 5-4 win.

The A-Team delivered again. “I wish we had the same two girls in epee and sabre,” head coach Yves Auriol said with a smile. “I would be walking around very relaxed.”

But this 2002 version of the A-Team is completely lacking Mr. T’s bad attitude.

Both Kryczalo and Ament are as eonquering and polite off the strip as they are ruthlessly efficient with their weapons.

They quickly dispatch each opponent with a smile and little celebration. They both point out that their individual successes are only important because they can help the team win a national title.

“I’ve never really come from a team with a team spirit. I’ve never really cared about a team or even a team before,” Ament said. “This is exciting for me. I feel like this is not even individual for me, but really fighting for the team.”

For the past eight years, some weakness in an individual weapon or weapons has prevented the Irish from winning another national title. But with Ament and Kryczalo beating every fencer that dare to step on the strip with their weapons.

Because the Irish know: If they have a problem, and no one else can help, they can always rely on the A-Team.

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**ACROSS**
1. Like some glasses
8. Slightly
15. Evidence of change
16. Not leave alone
17. Rules
18. "It's MY treat!"
19. _Jet (winter scuffle)
20. Break down
22. Shar-
23. Mannequin
24. Places for... 26 What's not done
29. Supplementary: manuscripts
33. Break down
35. Where
37. Shot
42. Caretakers
44. Door sign
45. Common links
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47. Pie choice
48. Midwest city
49. Roman
50. Some "JAG" roles
51. Like final
52. Cousin of
54. Gazetteo framework
56. Because of the challenge
57. Cousin of baseball
59. Restrained
60. Soap maker since 1982
61. Union label?
62. Kant (winter vehicle)
63. Antarctica
64. _Me too"
65. _It's a..."
66. _Out of order"
67. "That is so..."
68. "Siren"
69. _I can't stop singing"
71. "L.A. Law"
73. "Shucks!"
74. _Is that so..."
76. "Woo"
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78. _L.L. Law"
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6. _Becker of "I, L.A. Law"
7. Healthful food ad claim
8. _Parting words
9. _Once and again
10. _Let
11. _They, Fr.
12. _Get wild
13. _Defeated by
14. _Secret
15. __Get pass or game
16. _Places for chowhounds
17. _What's not done... yet
18. _Cook in a wok, maybe
19. _Kind of way
20. _Genius
21. _Choice
22. _City, whose name means "hospitality"
23. _Counsellor
24. _Nutshells
25. _Many a retiree
26. _School
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28. _Wrong"
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30. _Suggestion
31. _Expensive fur
32. _Break down
33. _Citation opener
34. _Mouths (off)
35. _Help for a long shot
36. _More than a scuffle
37. _Spotted gas
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42. _"Ghostbusters"
43. _"A Pain in the Neck"
44. _"Quadrophenia"
45. _"38 Main Street"
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**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

**Blind Barber**

**Horoscope**

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**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may be inclined to get involved in a risky venture. Your financial situation will suffer if you expand your interests too quickly. Ask for sound advice from someone you respect and trust.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You won't be getting too much from the people in your life. This is the time to get your feet on the ground and start making plans for the future. You may find yourself looking for a new job or making changes in your personal life.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You have to make your plant really early today. You should try to do something creative or fun. You will feel satisfaction from your artistic accomplishments. You may be inclined to get involved in a risky venture. Your financial situation will suffer if you expand your interests too quickly. Ask for sound advice from someone you respect and trust.

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The 18 competitors who are going are primarily short-distance runners and field event athletes who hope to post NCAA qualifying times. The longest distance the Irish will be running this weekend is 1,500 meters, by Pat Conway, Kevin Somok and Eric Morrison. Somok took third in the 1,500-meter run in last year's invitational with a time of 3 minutes, 56.68 seconds.

In the field events for the men, junior Mike Madigan is making his 2002 season debut in the javelin. Madigan has a personal best throw of 190 feet, 10 inches, when he took first at the 2001 Notre Dame Spring Opener. He also took sixth place in the Baldy Castillo Invitational last year.

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