Subway, Sbarro may come to LaFortune

By HELENA PAYNE

Notre Dame Food Services and LaFortune Student Center are finalizing the plans to convert pizza shop Tomassito's and sub sandwich store Allegro into two better-known food chains.

"Right now, the top honors are Subway (to replace Tomassito's) and Sbarro's pizza in the basement (to replace Allegro)," said Jim Labella, Huddle general manager.

Neither of the two has signed contracts yet, but Subway, a sandwich shop, and Sbarro, an Italian eatery, have sent proposed plans for the layout of their restaurants. Labella said these restaurants will have to meet the same space availability, electricity and plumbing.

Although Subway and Sbarro are not definite choices to replace the present businesses, two restaurants the University was considering — Eddie Peppers and Taco Bell — will not be the new LaFortune food chains. Both Mexican-style food restaurants, Eddie Peppers and Taco Bell would have appealed to a majority of students, faculty and staff members who want the next fast food restaurant to serve Mexican food according to a market research study last spring.

"We did that test and I think the consensus was that everybody liked (Eddie Peppers), but they really wanted a brand name that was their mainstay, like Taco Bell," said Labella.

However, Taco Bell, which has a franchise located on U.S. 31 near the campus, did not support the construction of another store in LaFortune.

"When we couldn't do Taco Bell, Subway was the second choice," said Labella.

Another Mexican-style restaurant that Food Services did not consider, but students have talked about was Burracho Burrito.

"Burracho Burrito has little to offer us as far as the program is concerned," said Dave Prentkowski, director of Food Services.

The major problems with the restaurant that Labella cited

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Student government introduces petition

By JASON McFARLEY

Undergraduates can begin signing today a petition that calls for the University to reverse planned changes to the alcohol policy enacted to allow more student voice in campus decision-making.

The petition is the latest student government effort in protest of alcohol policy changes that University administrators announced in mid-March. Student Activites officials this week will give Student Body President Libby Bishop and Vice President Trip Foley permission to sponsor the petition.

"As soon as the alcohol policy was announced, we sat down and considered our options," said Bishop, who entered office a week ago. "We thought the idea of a petition was constructive and focused."

Bishop and Foley distributed a page-long explanation of the revision and sign-up sheets at Monday's Hall Presidents Council meeting. HPC members will circulate the petition in each of the 27 campus residence halls today through Thursday.

Organizers said they also would make the petition available at other on-campus locations as well as some off-campus apartment complexes.

Announcement of the petition appears as a letter to students in a full-page advertisement in today's Observer. The sentence "We have a voice" runs along the bottom of the ad, an assertive revision of the "We need a voice" sign that student government officials distributed last month.

The petition demands that:

• Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, repeal his own decision that has in-hall dances next school year.

• Notre Dame use educational initiatives instead of the alcohol policy.

The sign-up sheets were distributed last month.

Women discuss empowerment

By SARAH NESTOR

The Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership (CWIL) sponsored "A Forum on Women's Rights: Reality and Promise" with guest speakers Layli Miller and Dr. Amy Tsanga.

"It is a great opportunity to be able to provide to the people who m a i n l y t h o u g h t that it was W e s t e r n c u l t u r e d i c t r i n e f o r c i n g t h e m t o c h a n g e . " The law affected the payment of seduction damages, the practice of a father suing his daughter became pregnant outside of marriage because her value would go down, and women did not need permission to marry after 18.

Tsanga opened the forum with her speech "Social Activism on Women's Legal Rights: Understanding the Tension Behind Resistance." Tsanga is currently a Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at the University of Southern Maine from Zimbabwe.

"In the past 10 to 15 years legal aid has been brought to women in Africa, but less is known about its impact," Tsanga said.

Zimbabwe itself only gained independence after many years of war in 1980 and is still in the process of trying to understand how the constitution and laws fit into its culture.

"African women were considered minors from cradle to grave. You went from the control of your father to the control of your husband," Tsanga said. "That changed when the legal act of majority was passed so that women and men came into their majority at the age of 18."

Tsanga explained that this met a lot of resistance by the people who m a i n l y t h o u g h t that it was W e s t e r n c u l t u r e d i c t r i n e f o r c i n g t h e m t o c h a n g e . The law affected the payment of seduction damages, the practice of a father suing his daughter became pregnant outside of marriage because her value would go down, and women did not need permission to marry after 18.

"There is something very exciting going on today because laws are changing to protect women," Layli Miller, attorney, said. "This is the first time that I think marriage has been redefined."

Miller became involved in advocating women's rights while a student in law school when she became involved in the case of F a u z i y a Kassinja, a woman from Togo looking for refugee status in the United States because of the tribal practice of female genital mutilation. The case won the appeal and was the first to recognize gender as a basis for refugee status. "There is something very exciting going on today because laws are changing to protect women," Miller said. "There have been dramatic changes that we don't even realize."

Miller likened the equality of women to the civil rights movement, because even though it was successful in changing laws and what was written it could not immediately change the hearts of the people, because
**INSIDE COLUMN**

Here's to you, Mr. Crazy Naked Man

You all know this guy. He is a few steps beyond the LaFortune streakers, a one-man show that busts out spontaneously and can’t be stopped. You might have thought he was a dream, a silly fig, a set of your imagination that you dreamed up in the midst of some frolicking, blissful festivities.

Mr. Crazy Naked Man was real. He is an everyman and no man, he is you. The is his birthday suit and he is in his glory, and we are watching.

Mr. Crazy Naked Man, I don’t know who you are, but I’m a big fan of your work. It’s not, as an attraction kind of love. No, no, no, no, it’s definitely not an attraction kind of love. It takes a little more than stripping to your birthday suit and he is in his birthday suit and he is in his glory, and we are watching.

Mr. Crazy Naked Man, you say, “Hey world, I feel like running around naked and shaking what my mamma gave me and gosh darn it, I’m gonna. I am going do continuous laps up and down the block party. I am gonna scream like a banshee. It is 45 degrees and I say, bah to the cold. I also say bah to indecent exposure laws, to what would your mother say, to corporate America who has sold us this crazy idea that we have to wear clothes all the time, to the freeness that is still around. I wanna see every state-of-the-art athletic facilities on campus that I choose never to use because I am just that carefree about my body. I say bah to indecent exposure laws, to people in my classes who will look at me funny from now on, to the Garden of Eden and its evil serpent. I say wazzaap to my peeps.

By shedding your shirt, Mr. Crazy Naked Man, you are naked when we are born. I am that guy who has not reached the age of consent, who can do whatever he wants, who will say to the Garden of Eden, blissful festivities.

Nope, Mr. Crazy Naked Man, my first Olympians were naked. We are naked under our clothes. The first Olympians were naked. We are naked. The first Olympians were naked. We are naked when we are born. I am that guy who has not reached the age of consent, who can do whatever he wants, who will say to the Garden of Eden, blissful festivities.

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**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"We've got the best tradition the best history, the best football love in the country. Nobody else matches it."

Tyrence Willingham

head football coach speaking on the Irish football program

"You never want to look ahead to other games but, this Syracuse game, we've been looking forward to this since day one."

Ailissa Mosely

women's lacrosse senior captain before the team played Syracuse

**BEYOND CAMPUS**

Blair addresses Middle Eastern terrorism at Texas A&M

COLLEGE STATION, Texas. Despite growing opposition at home to his steady support of America's war on terrorism, British Prime Minister Tony Blair will appear later this week to endorse President George W. Bush’s plan to remove Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein while speaking at Texas A&M Sunday.

"We must be prepared to act when terrorism and weapons of mass destruction threaten us, and if necessary, that will involve military action and regime change," Blair said. "To let Iraq develop weapons of mass destruction is to ignore the lessons of Sept. 11, and we won't allow it."

Blair visited the George Bush Presidential Library Complex after spending the weekend at Bush’s ranch in Crawford, Texas, where he and the president discussed Iraq, the crisis in the Middle East and other pressing international issues.

In an interview with The Battalion, Blair stopped short of seconding the Bush administration's commitment to remove Hussein through military action, but said Britain is seriously considering the option.

"Iraq would be a much better place without Saddam Hussein," Blair said. Blair has encountered strong opposition from within his own Labor Party to military action in Iraq, and many observers say Blair's plummeting poll-numbers are the result of growing dissatisfaction with Blair’s unwavering support of America's war on terrorism. However, Blair dismissed anti-American sentiment in Britain as a small but vocal minority, and said Britain did not lack the resolve to topple Hussein.

"We'll take whatever action is necessary, and most people just want to know if that action is measured and reasoned," Blair said.

In his speech, Blair raked up the rhetoric against Hussein, describing the Iraqi regime as "detestable" and "brutal." Blair said sometimes it is necessary to forcefully remove a rogue regime, citing Serbia and Afghanistan as recent examples.

**LOCAL WEATHER**

Michigan Daily

Man dies of heroine in frat house

ANN ARBOR, Mich. A man found unresponsive in the basement of a fraternity March 29 died of heroin overdose, according to the Ann Arbor Police Department. Dustin Goodman, a member of the Zeta Phi fraternity located on East University Avenue, and former employee of Jimmy's Sergeant Pepper's, had lethal amounts of heroine in his blood, the Ann Arbor News reported Friday. Goodman was found dead in the basement of the fraternity house around 1 p.m. on March 29. He was seen at the party March 28. Detective Lt. Chris Heatley said police have not yet determined if the death was natural or accidental.

**STANFORD UNIVERSITY**

Students protest for workers’ rights

STANFORD, Calif. The Stanford Coalition for Labor Justice unveiled a mock time capsule as the surprise finale to its rally protesting the treatment of Stanford workers. Over 1000 Stanford University students, workers and members of the local community marched from Memorial Auditorium down Palm Drive to the courtyard of Littlefield Management Center at the Graduate School of Business. The procession was headed by students carrying three large puppets representing a worker, passion for justice and the coalition of students and workers. Several students held a banner in front of the puppets that read, “Make Community a Priority: Code of Conduct Now!” Protesters chanted for worker rights in both English and Spanish. The goal of the protest was to obtain the right for students and workers to meet with the school president to discuss a worker code of conduct.

**FUTURE WEEKS**

**Michigan Daily**

"It’s always the first thing I turn to when I pick up The Observer, because as much as I love Notre Dame, ‘Fourth and Inches’ shows how entertaining it is to make fun of ourselves."

Monica Stone

Notre Dame junior expressing her fondness for "Fourth and Inches"
Student organizations fight for larger budget

By LIZ KAHLING
News Writer

The battle to increase the student activity budget is not over yet. Several student organizations that receive funding through the Financial Management Board continue to fight to take a larger share of the pie. The two largest recipients of the Student Union budget allocations, the Club Coordination Council and Student Union Board, recently debated the proposed amendment for a 3.25 percent increase in the CCC's constitutional allocation at a Senate meeting. Though the amendment did not pass Mar. 27, the CCC reports that it may resubmit the proposal.

According to Amy O'Connor, CCC president, the CCC will resubmit a proposal to Senate next fall, "contingent upon club requests after the student's activity fee increase." The amendment was originally proposed because CCC argued the student activity fee increase of $15 would only sustain current club funding. The increase in the budget would help create new activities and programming that the clubs propose.

Only the CCC and the Executive Cabinet Collaboration Fund have constitutionally minimum budget allocations. Thus, as the second largest recipient of the student union budget, SUB felt that the increase in the CCC allocation would have taken away from SUB's.

In explaining SUB's position in the Senate meeting, Board Manager Stephen Christ said, "We are for status quo [in the constitution]."

Former Board Manager Paul Krivickas argued that if the resolution passed, "there's less money available to other organizations and SUB would probably hurt the most."

O'Connor approached SUB before submitting her proposal in order to downplay the perception that the amendment would result in a decision between SUB and CCC. Christ said he appreciated her coming to them before the meeting. However, the two organizations couldn't come to a compromise with which they could both be satisfied.

Though both CCC and SUB stress that they didn't want the amendment to come down to CCC versus SUB, they were unable to avoid conflict as to who can better use funds to benefit the University. Krivickas expressed concern about the increase going to CCC. "I don't know if it's in the best interest of students," he said.

Christ added, "We felt like we're qualified programmers and benefit the whole student body." O'Connor wrote in her proposal to Senate that while clubs form to address a limited constituency of the student body, "collectively clubs need the increase of the entire body."

In her speech to Senate, CCC member Kaitlin Dudley argued, "SUB is created to address those interests that large numbers of students share, but it should not be expected to provide a diversity of smaller collaborative events. That is the job of clubs."

Even more frustrating for SUB is that the student activity fee increase had not benefited the student union budget as much as it was hoped. Andrew Oxenreiter, student union treasurer, reported that there was only an additional $8,000 to be allocated over last year's budget. The student treasury reportedly is paying off debts carried over from the 2000-2001 administration of the Office of the President, as well as SUB's cumulative $24,000 debt.

Krivickas said that SUB is in a precarious situation as they are being pressured to do more creative programming that may require established events, like the Comedy Series, to be cut.

"We're all working on limited funds and we all have good ideas," said Christ.

Krivickas added, "Resources are so limited that it comes down to 'Who needs the money more?'"

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Seven ‘Times’
The New York Times won a record seven Pulitzer Prizes in journalism Monday, including the public service award for its “A Nation Challenged” section.

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SOURCE: The Pulitzer Prize Board

Board of Governance
Group considers new requests for money

By SARAH NESTOR
News Writer

The inaugural meeting of the BOG representatives with President Kim Jenson and Vice-President Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl was spent hearing motions and requests from members of the student body.

Sarah Hoshaw, vice-president of the Biology Club, requested funds in the amount of $272.97, to cover the costs of honoring senior biology students at their Tri Beta honor society hooding ceremony.

“The Biology Club is coming to ask for money because we are running low at the end of the year and we want gifts for the senior biology graduates and an honored faculty member,” Hoshaw said. “Basically we want to do this because it is important to show the seniors appreciation.”

A factor in the decision for the Board was that the Biology Club also wanted the funds so that money will be available for club next year and that the club already received $335 for the year.

“Ours, being the Biology Club is that it is very present on campus,” Jensen said. “It is a positive that they have tried to raise funds, where other clubs come in and ask for money without having tried.”

The Board settled on giving the Biology Club $160 for the Tri Beta ceremony.

“I think that department money should go towards the seniors who have spent four years working in that department,” Rachel Finely, 2003 class president, said. “I don’t think it is right to make a hooding event sponsored by other.”

Also, the Board acknowledged Shannon Brewer and let her give a presentation about her work with Flipside and her involvement in planning Flipstock for next year.

“I am the only Saint Mary’s representative and just want the support from BOG,” Brewer said. “All three schools are helping with funding and volunteers and most of the costs go to the bands and production.”

Brewer estimated that costs would be about $80,000 and also specified that a member from the BOG could attend the committee meetings and keep the other members informed.

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even today racism and prejudice exist.

“One thing is to realize that it is important, and another thing to talk about it and change it because achieving the equality of women and men is necessary in achieving world peace,” Miller said. “There needs to not only be a transformation in justice but a personal transformation of every man and woman, one cannot happen without the other.”

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were its needed facilities and operation. Since Burracho Burrito is locally owned, the business would have to operate entirely out of LaForte if it changed its location to the campus.

“We don’t have the space to allow an outside company to actually operate a store in LaFortune,” said Prentkowski, expressing concern about storage, loading and the workspace.

Food Service also looks for stores that continue to introduce new products to appeal to the customers, as the most recent addition to LaFortune, Starbucks, has done. Starbucks opened offering new salads and sandwiches.

“If we’re going to pay for a brand to be here, we expect something in return,” said Prentkowski.

As of now, Prentkowski said the University would try to get the Shaboo contract taken care of first.

“That will be the most critical because it takes the most equipment,” said Prentkowski.

“Assuming that everything will work, the idea is that we will finish the design work sometime this summer,” said Prentkowski.

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Oil prices trouble White House

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham said Monday the administration is greatly concerned with soaring gasoline prices and plans to meet with industry officials to try to head off distribution problems that could add to the recent price increases.

Abraham also said the government was reactivating a federal hot line for consumers who want to complain about gasoline price gouging as prices jumped nearly 25 cents a gallon over the past month, a record increase for such a period.

"Those increases are a serious concern in this administration," said Abraham.

Administration officials acknowledged the uncertainties in the Middle East may produce continued volatility in crude prices and that Iraq's decision to suspend oil sales could temporarily push crude prices $30 a barrel, further impacting the price of gas.

But Mary Hutzler, head of the Energy Department's statistical agency, said other OPEC and non-OPEC countries have 7 million barrels a day of excess capacity and should be able to fill the gap left by Iraq.

Iraq produces about 2.3 million barrels a day, with the United States importing about a third of that. Abroad Air Force One, on route to Knoxville, Tenn., White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said Iraq's decision to suspend oil shipments is "another sign that Saddam Hussein is willing to starve his own people.

Under a United Nations decree, revenue from Iraqi oil is supposed to go for Iraqi food purchases.
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imposing restrictions to address alcohol abuse among students and

University officials promise undergraduates direct input in student life policy-making.

"We believe moving dances out of the hall will deprive students of the important opportunity to build community and will consequently damage the residential life and hall spirit at Notre Dame," Bishop and Foley wrote in the signed letter. "We also do not believe that these proposed policy changes are the best way to address abusive drinking, because they do not attack the root of the problem."

Student leaders will release the number of petition signatures on Monday. And administrators, including Poorman, will receive the signatures next week.

Bishop and Foley expect larger student response to the petition than in past protest efforts.

On March 20, before they had taken office, the pair helped organize a 600-student rally that led to a spontaneous march to Main Building, headquarters of administrative offices, and where some students burned copies of du Lac, the student life handbook. At student government leaders' urging, more than 200 students packed a 25 Campus Life Council meeting, where Poorman formally introduced the alcohol policy changes.

Poorman first announced the changes March 18, saying the policy revisions were necessary to keep the campus culture from becoming alcohol-focused. Other changes include the outlaw of "hard" liquor in residence halls and the loosening of tailgating rules to allow 21-year-old students to host parties with alcohol in designated parking lots before home football games.

"The idea of working for a student voice is an issue that goes beyond alcohol. It is something that our administration will continue to fight for."

Trip Foley
Student Body Vice-President

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Dear Fellow Students,

In response to the policy changes introduced on March 18, 2002 there has been a great deal of student discussion about the loss of hall traditions and the lack of student participation in this process. Student Government has taken an active role in voicing these student concerns in recent weeks. However, we believe that students must unite in a single voice to most effectively make known their position on these issues.

Therefore we have drafted the following petition to the administration and are asking for your support on this issue:

We, the undersigned students of the University of Notre Dame du Lac, have signed this letter because we are concerned about the recent policy changes introduced on March 18, 2002, their effect on the University’s residential atmosphere, and, most importantly, the lack of direct student input into this process.

We believe the residential atmosphere at Notre Dame is a unique and important experience that brings students together into strong, spirited communities. Halls unite during in-hall dances which are an integral part of the strong traditions that characterize residential life at Notre Dame. The decoration and transformation of the students’ home into a place that fosters unity and inspires excitement among residents is the direct result of hosting the dance in the hall. We believe moving dances out of the hall will deprive students of the important opportunity to build community and will consequently damage the residential life and hall spirit at Notre Dame.

We also do not believe that these proposed policy changes are the best way to address abusive drinking because they do not attack the root of the problem. Simply creating a new policy denies students the opportunity to address this concern. Instead, we believe a multi-faceted approach—one that includes increased education and programming—is the best way to respond to this issue.

Most importantly, however, the process by which these changes were implemented has illuminated a flaw in the way policy is created at Notre Dame. We object to the lack of student participation and input into the creation of these new policies. Students were not allowed to sufficiently participate in the creation of these policies and therefore were not empowered to create the solutions that will most effectively address our shared concerns. When students have an active voice in the policy development process, the resulting policies will better address student needs and problems.

To that end, we call for the University to:

• Allow in-hall dances to continue in a fashion that incorporates solutions from students and addresses the concerns of all parties.

• Increase the University’s commitment to education and programming to address the root cause of alcohol abuse.

• Guarantee student participation in the decision making process on policies that affect their lives and the culture of Notre Dame.

We believe that uniting the Notre Dame community is the best way to achieve our goals. Only when we come together can we fully make the changes needed to better our University.

This week your hall government will be requesting your signature on this petition. The discussion on this issue is far from over and we need you to make your voice heard.

Sincerely,

Libby Bishop
Student Body President

Trip Foley
Student Body Vice President

WE HAVE A VOICE
Give the Church a rest

Throughout time, countless problems have plagued the Catholic Church. And throughout time, the crises of the Church have received great attention, great criticism and recently massive media coverage. People far and wide have been quick on their toes to grasp every shred of scandal that has any chance of denouncing the Church. Why? It’s obvious. Because the Catholic Church represents the largest, longest running and still-standing symbol of solidarity, a foundation of strength, purity and faith. The requirements of the Catholic Church for its members to live a blessed life are, to say the least, rigorous. Many leave the faith, and many even begin to bitterly denounce it. This is because, quite simply, people are ignorant and often afraid. In a society where premarital sex is just plain not be accepted, how can I explain grace and you still don’t understand your faith? Of course, I don’t agree with some of the rules. God knows how I feel anyway so it’s okay.

Plain and simple, everyone’s faith is different and unique. I don’t need to listen to rules from 2,000 years ago. Or better yet, “I’m a Catholic, but I don’t agree with some of the rules. God knows how I feel anyway so it’s okay.”

Throughout the years, the Church has faced many trials. But please, don’t tell me that you’re a Catholic if you can’t explain grace and you still don’t understand why the Church will never allow women as priests. Pop quiz, did you know that it is a mortal sin to commit Communion on Sunday? Every Sunday? I know you don’t all make it to Mass on Sunday, and this is Notre Dame. Think about it — here at one of the nation’s leading Catholic universities, where about half the buildings have chapels, many people don’t even understand their faith. Imagine the real world where your chances of seeing a priest on the street are slim to none. Here, they teach our classes and keep an eye on us at night. If you can’t explain your own faith in the Catholic Church, do not attempt to denounce that same Church. In fact, you might want to question your own faith and where it is headed.

Do not get me wrong. The issue of pedophilia in the Church is a grave one. But again, it must be taken into perspective. Our world is one filled with sensationalistic media, and denouncing something as massive and enduring as the Church is an easy target for sensationalism. There are a lot of ways to twist this one and make it look like the entire Church is under attack. Don’t try to change the fact that Jesus died for its members, has issues of his own, he has fallen on his own fault and weakness to a terri­bly pathetic level. He does not deserve to serve God. He does not fit the moral requirements of a real priest. And I think God will handle the punishment part of the deal Himself. But the Church cannot be blamed for the shameful turning of a relative handful of these men.

Can it be blamed for covering these scandals up? Perhaps. And that is it. They made a mistake, an impulse judgment error. But that doesn’t change the fact that this religion is, by our beliefs, God’s religion. This Church is God’s Church. It doesn’t change the fact the Jesus Christ came to man and taught him how to live and that through the ages these lessons have become traditions that have been carefully handed down to us today. It is sad to see society attempting to dismantle something so beautiful by dwelling on its shortcomings. And it is even sadder to witness the slow but steady loss of understanding of our own Catholic faith.

Johnny Burns
junior
Turtle Creek Apartments
April 8, 2002
A ticket out of distribution hell

Although everyone who knows me could testify how much I love this school, I do believe that there is one particular problem here at Notre Dame that could use a little work. The problem? Ticket distribution. If college ranks first in a student's efficiency at distribution, then why do they give out so many tickets, but so few to the students who really need them? I do believe that there is a sense of the word. They fight back with whatever book they're given and then sneak over to little work. The problem? Ticket distribution. If college much I love this school, I do believe that there is one

The Palestinealsofaid in the Middle East conflict

I am writing in response to an article that The Observer chose to reproduce by Julie Bernstein, a University of Southern California student. Her article was blatantly biased, and I hope that it was not reproduced for good writing, but to show her ignorance. Bernstein claims not to judge and not to think about the politics of the Middle East, yet the only issues she addresses are those of the Palestinian suicide bombers, the terrorists. She purposely avoids criticizing the Israeli army for bulldozing Palestinian homes and not a word is mentioned about the massacre of Palestinian civilians. Bernstein also at fault in this conflict.

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ALBUM REVIEW

Pop producers N.E.R.D. take their turn

By TOM O’CONNELL
Senior Music Editor

Fans of R&B, rap or pop music, have probably heard of N.E.R.D. The popular song duo, Tr kernels Williams and Chad Hugo have been playing the role of pop music producers for about five years. In fact, they have worked with over a thousand different radio stations without hearing something that has been produced by the Neptune duo. Just a few of the groups they have worked with in the last five years include Jay-Z, Babyface, Janet Jackson, Backstreet Boys, Britney Spears, Usher, No Doubt and others.

With a reputation for inventive, inspired beats and producing credits on many multi-platinum albums, having the Neptune duo produce an album has allowed artists to bring about having attained a certain level of celebrity. With this in mind, Britney Spears wants to shed the schoolgirl image and become a woman? She hires the Neptunes. Barking up a tree? Backstreet Boys want to use more than creative facial hair to adopt a tougher image. They hire the Neptune duo. After a series of successes as producers, the Neptune duo decided to put out their own album. Recording under the band name N.E.R.D. (No One Ever Really Dies), The Neptune duo decided to search for a sound that is not present on the other tracks, making it the best song on the album.

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As the most high-school-aged crowd filler crowd filtered in decked out with undersized thrift store T-shirts and thick-rimmed glasses, the Legends of Rodeo kicked off the first of the night's four acts. The relatively standard rock quartet gave into the crowd, putting on a relatively entertaining performance, though they were soon forgotten after their exit from the stage.

What followed however, ended up being one of the most entertaining acts of the evening. The relatively unknown Ben Kweller emerged from backstage, looking as if he belonged more in the crowd of youngsters than back stage with the performers. However, this shaggy-haired, awkward-looking kid wasted little time in winning over the audience. After beginning on a timid, but still relatively funny note, with his own acoustic version of "Ice, Ice, Baby," Kweller's band emerged and his set began. Though his sound is rather quirky, as is his matching personality, he proved himself diverse talentently, singing and playing both guitar and piano, while captivating the eager crowd with his offbeat demeanor.

However, The Anniversary, probably the biggest opening name on the bill, followed Kweller without nearly as much success. The talented group, who share Dashboard's label Vagrant Records, are easily identifiable by their distinctively offbeat demeanor. While all three members of the band simply interfered. The Anniversary left the stage visibly thin, and after a solid set, most of their audience was just as obvious. The most impressive and dominating aspects of Carrabba's work stem from his intricate guitar work, which are already listening to an entire band; while in actuality what they were hearing was nothing more than Chris and his acoustic guitar. The power of his music drew from his harrowing vocals and intricate guitar work, which when combined had the ability to plow the listener over with the force of a full symphony orchestra.

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However, it would not be long before the night took a turn for the worse. Enter Dashboard Confessional's new-fronted, and almost completely unnecessary backup band. The most amazing thing about Carrabba's first two albums was his ability to give the listener the impression that they were already listening to an entire band; while in actuality what they were hearing was nothing more than Chris and his acoustic guitar. The power of his music drew from his harrowing vocals and intricate guitar work, which when combined had the ability to plow the listener over with the force of a full symphony orchestra.

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Chris Carrabba, a.k.a. Dashboard Confessional, recently took the stage at the House of Blues in Chicago with his rough, acoustic sound and powerful vocals.

While three openers were entertaining, their sheer numbers were too much for the impatient crowd to sit through. Thus, by the time the talented Anniversary took the stage Carrabba's just was running a little thin, and after a solid set, The Anniversary left the stage visibly frustrated with crowd's inconstant reaction.

However, after more than two hours of openers, Dashboard Confessional took the stage to an anxious crowd of teenagers who had promised their parents that they would be home no later than midnight. Emerging, as he should have, alone with his acoustic guitar, Carrabba opened with "Swiss Army Romance," the title-track from the first of his two full-length albums. Almost immediately setting a trend that was both endearing and slightly arrogant, and that would continue throughout the night, Carrabba retreated from the microphone during the song's climactic bridge to allow the crowd to take over the vocals.

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Chris Carrabba's new band is not only unnecessary, but at moments intolerable, and all of his new work seems to have digressed to the level of the middle-school audience, both in content and quality. However, in the case of his band and friends on TIL, obviously want him to seduce. Though the show was on the whole enjoyable, the next time Dashboard comes to town a fan should save their money and buy the new Ben Kweller album instead.

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SMC TENNIS

Belles easily cruise through home opener 9-0

By KATIE McVoy
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In their past three matches, the Belles have come home without losing a single match. But in Saturday's match, despite a 9-0 score, they felt like they played solid competition. And the team is feeling like they're starting to beat real competition.

"It makes the day feel more positive," said No. 5 singles player Elisa Ryan. "Nobody wants to be the best of the worst. You want to take pride in the fact that you've beaten good people. I'm really glad we had a match like the Alma match to precede our match against Hope.

Saturday was the Belles MIAA home opener of the season. The regular Belles line-up played on their home courts for the first time.

"Saturday was what I would like to consider our first chal­lenging match at home because the normal line-up really didn't play against Tri-State so we were really debuting on our home court. It was difficult. A lot of us had great matches," said Ryan. "A lot of times in tennis, the score doesn't reflect the Belles took home their third con­secutive 9-0 MIAA victory, taking all six of their matches in two sets. Despite the fact that Alma played together enough even one set, it still felt like a battle.

"The woman I played still had me nervous," Ryan said. "I was feeling as if I was in a tie-breaker.

At the singles spots, the Belles were able to take three of their six spots without allowing the Scots to win more than three matches. The doubles No. 1 team of players Annie Knish led off the victories with a 6-3, 6-1 victory against Sarah Pipas - one of the Scots' returning members.

Jeanette Knish took her match in two sets, allowing her opponent only three games total and Katlin Cutter at No. 3 singles had a match as close as possible, winning 6-3, 6-0. Keri Sprigle defeated her singles aad Sandner at No. 4 singles both defeated their opponents 6-1, 6-0 and Ryan took her opponent 6-0, 6-1. Doubles was just as successful. In the closest set of the match, the No. 1 doubles team of Knish and Knish defeated its opponent 6-4 in the second set to win the match 6-1, 6-4.

Ryan and Cutler won their match 6-1, 6-1 and Sprigle and Sandner took home a 6-0, 6-1 win.

With that as a win for backdrop, the Belles will face their toughest MIAA competition today. The Flying Dutch of Hope College will hit South Bend with winning avenging last year's upset.

Prior to the Belles' champi­onship last year, the Flying Dutch had dominated women's tennis. Hope is coming for the first three years Saint Mary's was in the MIAA before last match fell to the Belles last season.

Just as Notre Dame has a tradition, and when a team plays them they're not just playing the team, they're playing the team, they're playing the team, they're playing the team, they're playing the team, they're playing the team, they're playing the team, they're playing the team.

Hope, with a 4-7 overall record, has only played one MIAA match against last place Olivet. The Belles, on the other hand, are 4-0 in the MIAA and finally saw some real competition in Alma.

Saint Mary's will be focusing on taking points at the net and dominating at the serve, hoping to interrupt Hope's usual confidence and take home conference win number three.

"Where the confidence shows up is in coming on to the match. If you can come to the net and close it down I think that the confidence of the other team and builds your confidence," Ryan said.

The other area is the serve. The stronger your server, the weaker their return. If you have a weak server you're opening the door for them to smash the return and get to the net faster.

The match gets under way today at 3 p.m. outside of Angela Athletic Facility.

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Surprising Belles challenge No. 11 Irish

By CHRISS COLEMAN
Sports Writer

Today's game between No. 1 Notre Dame and No. 13 Ohio State wasn't supposed to be important. The tournament this weekend, when the Irish will host No. 6 Duke and No. 12 Yale, was supposed to be the focus of the attention.

But in Saturday's game is a critical moment to No. 7 Maryland by edging then-No. 7 Maryland by winning their first six games. Including a loss to Notre Dame.

This year the Irish have been playing really well. They've been playing in the fact that you've beaten Ohio State, Carolina, and dominated at the serve, their biggest offensive and defensive ends.

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Pitchers dominate for Irish

By AARON RONSHEIM
Sports Writer

The Irish pitchers gave up only two runs over four games as the team shut out St. John's twice and limited Seton Hall to only a single in each game last weekend. Over the 28 innings the Irish allowed only 11 base hits.

The pitching duo of Steffany Stenglein and Carrie Wisen continued their Big East suc-
cess as they each picked up victories over the weekend.

"They both threw very well," said head coach Deanna Gumpf. "I was very pleased with both of their performances. Most of it has to do with playing the tough pre-sea-
son. Both of those pitchers have faced the best teams in the nation. They are realizing now what it takes to get there. They are getting better and better and that is all that I wanted."

The Irish crossed the plate with a combined 27 runs in their four games.

"This is more confident and more relaxed because our offense is doing such a great job," Stenglein said.

One of the reasons for the success of the Irish offense has been Lisa Mattison on first base. Mattison was named Big East player of the week after hitting .556 with two doubles, two home runs and nine RBIs over the past six games.

"Lisa Mattison was tremendous," Andrea Loman was tremendous, Jarrah Myers was tremendous and so was Jenny Kriech," said Gumpf. "They were all huge."

In the first game against the Red Storm, Myers provided the difference with a three-run home run in the third inning. That was all Stenglein and Wisen would need as they combined for a five hit shutout and defeated St. John's 4-0.

In the second game the Irish jumped on the scoreboard early with four runs in the first inning. The big hit of the inning was a two-run double by Mattison.

The Irish would add another run in the sixth on an RBI sing-
le by Kriech and three runs in the seventh on a two-run single by shortstop Andrea Bledsoe, followed by an RBI double by Mattison. The Irish would go on to defeat the Red Storm by the count of 8-0.

Stenglein pitched six scoreless innings, striking out nine, en route to her 10th victory of the season.

Against Seton Hall the Irish continued their strong hitting. Centerfielder Jenny Kriech was six for nine with two runs scored in the two games against the Pirates.

"It is extremely important for Jenny to get on base," Myers said. "She is one of the best leadoff hitters in the country and when she is cooking every-
body else is going to fall in it."

The Irish won the game of the double header by the count of 10-0. Wisen's first career home run came in the second game against the Pirates when the Irish jumped on Seton Hall pitching to score three runs before the Pirates even came to bat. The Irish would add two more runs in the sixth inning on Loman's fourth home run of the season and an RBI single by Mattison.

After playing 27 of their first 28 games on the road the Irish will have a 13-game home stand starting on Tuesday when they face off against Valparaiso.

The Crusaders are 9-0 in the young campaign. So far this season the Crusaders have relied heavily on their starting pitching to keep the games close. Pitcher Lisa Kriech has been leading the Crusaders. Kendall has a record of 4-5, but has posted impressive 1.82 E.R.A. The Crusaders have only hit one home run as team while Notre Dame has hit 13 over the past six games. "We have 13 games at home and we can't wait to get going," said Gumpf.

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**BASEBALL**

Irish to saddle Broncos

By CHRIS FEDERICO

The Notre Dame baseball team is 1-2 against Big East teams, but it is a win from the Big East play today when it hosts Western Michigan at Frank Eck Stadium.

The game against the Broncos is still in the heart of Big East competition for the Irish, who won two out of three games against conference rival St. John's last weekend.

"We realize that these mid-week games are very important... We know we have to be prepared for these games," Andrew Bushey, Irish coach, said.

American Coaches Association poll had the Irish team at No. 9 overall, but Michigan is still in the top 10 with a 295 (92-86-83-19) score.

The Broncos are situated in the heart of the Western Michigan team that boasts a 249 (89-80-79) streak. The Broncos have struggled a lot in the season so far, but Michigan made up 12 strokes for the title.

"Our team has really pulled the sting on this season, having allowed 153 runs on the season with a team ERA of 7.32 compared to their opponents' 126 runs and 6.13 ERA. If the Irish are to take advantage of this statistic, they will have to contribute more to the team's defensiveционal hitting with runners on bases.

"After the three losses to Connecticut earlier in the season, Coach [Paul Mainieri] pulled the team aside and told us we really had to work on situational hitting," Bushey said.

"I think we have really improved in that in these last few games. We realize that we're not a team that's going to hit a lot of runs, so we have to manufacture runs and take advantage of the opportunities we get," Bushey said.

In their 4-3 loss to St. John's this weekend, the Irish only hit .295 against runners on base, but Michigan improved to 7-14-4 with runners on base.

The Irish are currently batting .300 as team, led by centerfielder Steve Stanley. The senior captain and team leader, over the weekend series to push his fielding average batting average to .447.

The two teams are scheduled to take the field tonight at 7 p.m. at Frank Eck Stadium.

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Professor Diarmuid Ó Giolláin of University College Cork, is the leading authority on Irish Folklore. He has published extensively on Irish folk belief, including seminal studies of the Leprechaun, Fairies and Dwarfs and the 'pattern' or local saint's festival. His Locating Irish Folklore (2000) won the prestigious Katherine Briggs Folklore Prize. Ó Giolláin is a highly regarded teacher.

SMC SOFTBALL
Belles prepare for young Calvin squad

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's softball players have their work cut out for them Tuesday as they face Calvin College.

"We've had really good practices this weekend," said junior catcher Susan Kutz. "The next Calvin game will show how much we've learned since our last game."

The Belles lost to Adrian and Albion in their first four MIAA matches, and will enter the game against Calvin with a 5-9 record. Calvin pitcher Rachel Heyboer was MIAA Pitcher of the Week last week.

The Knights, though 0-2 in MIAA play, defeated Franklin College last Saturday, 9-0 and 22-2. Heyboer, a freshman, has a 5-4 record so far for the Knights. She has allowed only one home run and has struck out 32 of 206 opposing batters.

Saint Mary's defeated Calvin last year, 8-0 and 13-12. But this is clearly going to be a game where Calvin will use its fresh­men to even the match.

The Knights return looking for revenge after last year's losses, but Belles shortstop and lead­ing scorer Marnie Walsh said, "We're going to go for it."

The Belles won against the Knights last year, under head coach Amber Warners. Warners led the team to two NCAA Tournament berths and was named 1997 Great Lakes Region Coach of the Year.

Walsht leads the Belles with two runs in the four MIAA games.

Calvin is also counting on freshman Laurel Sands to lead them in scoring. Sands is the only Calvin player to earn a home run so far this season, and leads the team with 20 runs.

Saint Mary's will counter with experienced players and the new style of first year Belles head coach John Ganef. Ganef comes to Saint Mary's with several years of experience in softball, first as a player, on national ASA teams, and then as an assistant coach, for Big Bend Community College in Washington and North Idaho College.

"We haven't worked on anything specific for Calvin, but we've been working on situational hitting and situational defense," Kutz said. "We're going to work together and make sure our defense helps out our offense."

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(Drinks/Seasons provided)
CSC Coffee House

The greatest challenge of the day is how to bring about a revolution of the heart, a revolution which has to start with each one of us.”
~Dorothy Day
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Clark is generally regarded as the best passer in the group, but he has only taken four snaps in a game— all of them coming in garbage time. But with the new offense, Clark said he feels he has a chance to move up higher on the depth chart.

"Obviously, I am lacking experience," said Clark, who reportedly hurt his hand in the off-season because he was practicing so hard. "But you can try to take charge of things out there and take charge of the huddle. Obviously, it's different in a game situation, but when you show you are a leader in practice you can be trusted in the game."

Adjusting to the new offense will take time, Diedrick said. While he called it "quarterback-friendly," he admitted it was important to build the confidence of Clark, Holiday and LoVecchio as they adapted to the changes.

"We've been looking at play-books for so long, it was nice to finally line up and throw the ball around," Holiday said. "It helps to see a defense to line up again."

"We prepare a lot before we step out on the field," LoVecchio added.

Diedrick said it is important for the quarterbacks to gain a fundamental understanding of the offense during the spring so they can learn more during the break between spring and fall practices.

"They're working through some growing pains right now," he said. "It is one thing having the offense in print in front of them as opposed to all of them going out there and doing it on a physical basis where the speed, the pressure and the tempo is accelerated tenfold."

"The amount you have to know as a quarterback is pretty unbelievable," Clark said. "When I came in here as a freshman, it was overwhelming and there was a lot to learn. But now I know a little more about college football and I am understanding things a lot better."

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The Irish return to action this Saturday when they travel to West Point, N.Y., to take on Army. This marks the final contest of a four game road trip for the Irish.

Notre Dame has four games remaining on its schedule—two non-conference games away at Army and Harvard, and two home games against GWLL opponents Fairfield and Ohio State.

If the Irish remain atop the GWLL standings, they will automatically qualify for the NCAA Tournament.

"There's no question what will happen to us if we win the rest of our games," said Corrigan. "If we lose any games, then we leave our fate in other people's hands."

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MEN'S GOLF
11th-place finish highest of season for Irish

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

There's an old adage in golf that claims a player can make three bad shots and just one good shot and still make par. This was the case for the Notre Dame men's golf team this past weekend, as they turned in two mediocre rounds before staging a final day charge to move up five spots into 11th place at the Marshall Invitational in Huntington, W.Va. This marked their highest finish of the season and put them just 23 strokes behind tournament champion Toledo.

Cumulative rounds of 308 and 300 left the Irish 16th after the first day, but a final round of 292 - a tie for the lowest team round - left head coach John Jasinski in high spirits.

"It was definitely our strongest performance of the season," Jasinski said. "It's really something we've been building toward."

Throughout a spring season that yielded unimpressive results, the Irish demonstrated that at their best they are fully capable of competing with the nation's elite. In difficult conditions on a treacherous layout, Notre Dame enjoyed better results than in past weeks but the man leading them was no different. Once again senior captain Steve Ratay led the Irish, firing a one under par 70 on the final day to move into ninth place. This stellar effort leaves Ratay with a season stroke average of 72.81, a mark that, should it stand, would be the best in school history.

"Steve Ratay anchored us," Jasinski said. "He's an unbelievable performer. He really could play anywhere in the country and compete with anybody."

Snow forced a two-hour delay in play making the greens even slicker and turning the tournament from a slugfest into a plod.

"It became a real thinking man's course," Jasinski said. "You just had to be smart out there and I'm proud the guys responded well to that."

Ratay was by no means the only bullet to be on target. Senior Chris Witten had his best tournament in quite some time, notching his best score of the spring, a 73, en route to a 37th place finish.

"Chris was a huge bright spot," Jasinski said. "He had a good start to the year but then fell off after that. It's disheartening when that happens, but he came back strong and he knows how to play."

While the result was Notre Dame's best of the year, Jasinski was quick to point out that the Irish team has played well in other instances without necessarily achieving the desired results.

"Golf is such a fickle game," he said. "Good things can have bad results. Good swings aren't always rewarded. This weekend things fell into place for us."
Irish quarterback position wide open among three candidates

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

As the Irish quarterbacks ran through pre-practice drills Monday afternoon, Jared Clark, Carlyle Holiday and Matt LoVecchio worked on handoffs, signal-calling and a variety of passing exercises.

Not once did any member of the trio run an option play.

The absence of the option, a staple of Notre Dame's offense the past three years, shows just how different offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick's new balanced offensive system is from the system to which Irish fans have grown accustomed.

Now all Diedrick needs is a quarterback to run the offense.

"They have to make decisions, good decisions, and make them on a consistent basis," he said. "I know they can all physically execute the offense, but the guy who can do it mentally and consistently will probably be the guy who wins the job."

In the weeks leading up to spring practice, head coach Tyrone Willingham repeatedly said every starting position was up in the air. But with a new offense and a new set of coaches, the quarterback position is even more wide-open.

The Irish have no plans to name a No. 1 quarterback before the end of spring practice, and Willingham even said he was willing to wait to decide until the day before Notre Dame's season opener. But regardless of when the Irish make their choice, Diedrick has three different quarterbacks with three different styles to choose from.

"When you look at a controllable passing game, very similar to what the West Coast is, you need to be very accurate, you need to be a decision maker," he said. "I think all of the other things: the arm strength, the athletic ability, the speed. All those other things are a dimension that is a bonus. You look for a young man who can lead." LoVecchio started the fifth game of his freshman season because coaches felt he learned the offense the quickest. He led the Irish to a Fiesta Bowl berth in 2000, but was relegated to a backup role after Notre Dame lost its first two games of 2001.

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MEN'S LACROSSE

Berger propels Irish to 3rd straight victory

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

Last year as a freshman, Dan Berger rarely got on the playing field for the Irish because he was stuck behind a host of seniors on the depth chart. This season, the sophomore attackman has been the most dangerous offensive weapon for the Irish.

"We got out to a lead early," Corrigan said. "We had so many close games earlier this year where we were never able to take the lead. After getting that lead, we played much more relaxed and execute much better offensively."

Senior captain A. J. Wright will probably always remember this game. Wright, the anchor of the Irish defense, scored his first career goal with 3:17 remaining in the second quarter to give Notre Dame a 7-2 lead. At this point in the contest, it seemed as if Notre Dame had taken control of the game, but the Bulldogs did not go down without a fight. Butler answered with two goals in the final three minutes by Kyle Teifjen and Matt Eiseleber to cut the Irish lead to three heading into halftime.

The Bulldogs continued their momentum at the beginning of the second half, scoring two more unanswered goals to move within one goal of the Irish. But Berger stepped up the Bulldogs scoring run with his third goal of the game, and Kyle Frigon followed up Berger's goal with his second score of the game. Attackman Steve Chaggett continued the Irish scoring streak, stretching Notre Dame's lead to 10-6 with his fourth goal of the season.

Ryan and Wells rounded out the Irish offensive performance in the fourth quarter, adding two more goals to give the Irish 12 on the day. This was Notre Dame's second highest scoring output of the season.

Goalie Nick Antol earned his seventh straight start and finished the game with 13 saves. Antol's string play in net has been a key reason to why the Irish have successfully turned their season around over the course of the current three-game winning streak.

"Nick's been playing really well," said Corrigan. "He's given us good leadership in the cage. He's made some real progress over the course of the season."
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