Hallahan resigns over Bishop's dance view

+ Chief of staff wanted stronger stance on student interests

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Associate News Editor

Chief of staff Pat Hallahan said he will resign when student body president Libby Bishop returns this weekend from the Board of Trustees meeting in Naples, Fla. because the two differ on policy issues, specifically hall dances.

"I am resigning as chief of staff because of differences with Libby particularly on the dance issue and that came to a head when he resigned on Monday," said Hallahan, who is running for student body president with sophomore class president Jeremy Lao.

Hallahan said the comments he made during Monday's Senate meeting concerning Bishop and they discussed what options to take.

Hallahan told Bishop he could still perform the duties of chief of staff but he could not sit there and not voice his opinion with regard to the report.

The possibility of the chief of staff resigning arose after Hallahan, speaking at a Senate meeting Monday concerning Bishop's report to the Board of Trustees, told the group that the Office of Student Affairs would not consider bringing back-in-hall dances for at least two years. Upset by the comments, Bishop approached Hallahan after the meeting and the two discussed his resignation before Bishop said she wanted to think the decision over because she did not think it was necessary.

"I said that I would resign. It was getting harder to work for her when she would not inform me of issues. It was difficult to get in touch with her and she never got back to me before she left, Wednesday. (To discuss his possible resignation) said Hallahan.

Hallahan said he made his decision when Bishop did not contact him before she left for Florida. He chose to resign now because he thought Bishop was Indecisive and he did not think it was productive for student government to prolong the decision.

Bishop said she was sorry to see Hallahan leave and that it was the best decision for both Hallahan and the student body. Bishop attributed Hallahan's resignation to the stereotyping of student body president.

Hallahan said his life was busy, but stress was not the reason he decided to resign.

"It really was a situation where we couldn't work together on this issue and I still have many othersngoing. With other senators and (Hallahan's) Council staff. If we didn't disagree I wouldn't be resigning," he said.

Trip Foley, student body vice president, said he and his Office of Student Affairs were going to see him go and I think Pat has done an outstanding job but he has been a real leader in the office.

As chief of staff, Hallahan ran the day-to-day operations of the office and was the top policy advisor to Bishop.

"I believed that the most qualified people should be elected, male or female," Meagher said.

Pat Hallahan chief of staff

Boat Club survives another day

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

Despite campus rumors that The Boat Club will lower its bar for good this weekend, the popular student tavern has yet to navigate the legal hot water it may have cruised since the bust two weeks ago, McNeff thanked students who have come out and supported the Boat, he said. "A special thanks to the girls who made the 'Long Live the Boat' shirts and all the dorms that won't abandon ship at the first site of an ice cream truck."

A police officer looks out from the Boat Club during the bust early on Jan. 24. Officials have not yet recommended sanctions against the bar, and the doors will stay open in the meantime.

Female candidates in election races

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

Voters first did it in 2001, when they elected Brooke Norton president and vice president with sophomore Libby Bishop as their running mate.

A year later, they did it again with Bishop ushering L l b y J n t o o f f i c e.

But this year, Notre Dame undergraduates won't even have a chance to put a woman in the top student government job. Women appear on only two of the seven tickets running for student body president and vice president. And neither female candidate heads her ticket.

The dearth of female office seekers and the fact that no female students are campaigning for the top post — is surprising, said Bishop, the current student body president.

"I was surprised, I expected to see more female candidates," Bishop said. "I thought it was necessary for the election, but I had hoped to see more women run." Bishop herself was moved to run for office following Norton's election two years ago as the first woman president.

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INSIDE COLUMN
Who do you represent?
Two weeks ago, 20 Saint Mary's students traveled to Washington, D.C. to participate in the annual March for Life — they each paid a small fee to ride a United Limo bus for 12 hours and paid for their own meals while in the capital city. Father Mary's i nstalls itself down the slippery path of Boston College and Georgetown, where students joke that they prefer one identity over the other. The Catholic tradition is one of tolerance and respect for what the Church teaches on a given issue. Colleges must encourage open debate and allow for private with U.N. inspectors.

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Nothing to do? Compete for charity.

The annual Late Night Olympics is tonight and raises money for charity.

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Iraqi scientist talks to U.N. inspectors

An Iraqi scientist agreed to meet in private with U.N. inspectors Thursday.

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Dow Jones continues to drop

A week productive activity report along with war fears led many investors to sell causing the Dow to drop.

VIEWPOINT

Pro choice trip educated SMC students

The Observer Editorial supports the funding of the Saint Mary's pro-choice trip for educational purposes.

SCENE

What about the woods?

Scene reviews "Out of the Woods."

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McGraw talks about Title IX

Muffet McGraw participated on a presidential commission evaluating Title IX.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

• Mass for Peace and Justice, Basilica of the Sacred Heart, 5 to 6:30 p.m.
• Lecture: McMullen Perspectives Lecture, McKenna Hall Auditoryum, all day.
• Notre Dame Architecture Student Drawings: Designs for a New Studio Museum, Studio Museum of Art, all day.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

• Josten's Ring Sales, Haggard College Center, 11 a.m.
• Disability Awareness Speaker, Le Mans, noon.
• Lilly Foundation, Haggard College Center Parlor, 8 a.m.
• Student Athletic Advisory Committee Meeting, Le Mans, noon.

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Breaded cheese sticks, meatball stroganoff sauce, smoked creole flank steak, roasted potato, potatoes, apple cobbler, Swiss spinach, Oriental vegetables, scrambled eggs, apple pancakes, O'Brien potatoes, sweet and sour chicken, cheese enchilada, Mexican couscous

Today's Dinner: Pork loin with apples, but applesauce, whipped potatoes, apple cobbler, baked haddock jarsiniere, steamed carrots, steamed broccoli, mixed vegetables, baked sweet potatoes, steakhouse fries, Cantonese BBQ chicken, jalapeño poppers, California rancho rice

South Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Collard greens, turkey turnovers, London broll with wine marinade, cheddar-baked pollock, shrimp creole, potatoes au gratin, grilled turkey sandwich, chicken teriyaki, portobello fajitas

Today's Dinner: Chicken cacciatore, gorpazola sauce, French bread pizza, roast top round, oven-fried chicken, grilled Polish sausage, potatoe with vegetables, Polish-style kiuski noodles, cabbage, honey-mustard chicken, seasoned fries, onion rings, Chinese noodles and snow peas with soy dressing, flatbread beet pizza

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Easy parking not an option for one student

NSDF found a University employee's parking decal in a student's vehicle Wednesday. NSDF referred the case for administrative review.

Cell phone found and returned

A cellular phone was found at O'Neill Hall Wednesday. It was turned in to NSDF for safekeeping, before it was released to the owner.

Employee finds cash, turns it in

A University employee found cash in O'Shaughnessy Hall and turned it in to NSDF for safekeeping Wednesday.

Ring found outside Walsh Hall

A University employee found a ring outside Walsh Hall and turned it in to NSDF for safekeeping Wednesday.

Compiled from the NSDF crime blaster.

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Committee to discuss SMC meals

By AMY GREENE
News Writer

Students at Saint Mary’s are implementing a new dining hall committee this semester. Formed by Student Activities Board President Adrienne Dorbish and Sophomore Class President Sarah Brown, the committee will serve as a touchstone between the student body and the Noble Family Dining Hall staff. Dorbish and Brown hope to effectively voice student concerns about the current meal plan options and the quality of food in the dining hall.

"There are numerous students that intern or student teach and are forced to be off campus all day," said Dorbish. "These students do not eat 14 meals a week, but are forced to pay for the Option 14 plan," she said.

The dining hall, operated under Sodexo Campus Coordinating Services, currently offers two meal plans to students, Option 14 yields students 14 meals per week and $125 of Munch Money per semester. The Carte Blanche plan allows students to have unlimited meals, but only $100 of Munch Money per semester.

Dorbish and Brown are实施ing a new "Option 100 and Option 10 meal plans as alternatives for students.

"We want to allow students to purchase fewer meals and have more munch money on their student account. We are also hoping to have some breaks in food served earlier in the morning so the student teacher who are up very early in the morning can eat something other than cold cereal or fruit," Dorbish said.

Dorbish also said she believes the majority of the student body is unsatisfied with the quality of food in the dining hall this year.

"The dining hall staff works very hard to please the variety of students on campus," she said, "but I still feel many of the students are displeased with the food at times."

Dorbish hopes to conduct a student survey as one of the committee’s first projects that will ask students their opinions on the quality and variety of food in the dining hall, as well as their views on the course meal plan options.

"I think a committee like this could help alleviate a lot of the problems in the dining hall," said senior Lauren Dasso. "Efficiency is a huge issue. A lot of students don’t have time to sit in the long lines and set an hour for lunch aside everyday."

Dorbish, Brown, and other members of the Board of Governance will meet with Kevin Kirwan, district manager of Sodexo Campus Services, next week to discus concerns about the dinin­ hall’s current operations.

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Late Night Olympics help raise funding

By CAITLIN EARLY
News Writer

The 17th Annual Late Night Olympics will be held tonight in the Joyce Center. Tonight’s wide array of activities will include 15 team sports competitions, along with two more and women’s events, an exhibition basketball game between the rectors and the Special Olympians at 9 p.m. and an Open Skate from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. the next morning.

The donation for the night will be $1 at the door of the Joyce Center. Aside from the scheduled events, there will also be a deejay, concessions and prizes, such as University sports apparel and gift certificates.

"Late Night Olympics will be a fun night for sport, camaraderie, and service."

Bill Reagan
Recreations director of special events

The donation for the night will be raised a total of $6,000 for the St. Joseph County Special Olympics.

The St. Joseph County Special Olympics sponsors 258 athletes in a variety of different sports throughout the year. A portion of the money from last year’s Late Night Olympics will be directed towards supporting the basketball team, which has its sectional event on March 15. If the team is successful in sectionals, it will advance to the regional tournament on March 22.

"It is a fun night for our athletes and a great way to hope to receive a good contribution," said Marilyn Palmer, county coordinator for St. Joseph County Special Olympics.

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Former United Way executive admits theft

**Associated Press**

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — A former United Way executive pleaded guilty Thursday to stealing nearly $1.9 million to buy expensive show horses in what is believed to be the biggest embezzlement case in the agency's history.

Jacquelyn Allen-MacGregor worked in the Capital Area United Way in East Lansing for 20 years before resigning as vice president for finance in November. Prosecutors said she stole the money over seven years, beginning in 1996, and used it to fund her quarter horse business.

In pleading guilty to federal counts of check forgery and engaging in an illegal financial transaction, Allen-MacGregor said she once paid $45,000 for a horse.

Allen-MacGregor, 46, faces up to 10 years in prison on each count at sentencing in May.

"Father Brown robbed me of my future and shackled me with chains of guilt," the man, now 42, said in a wavering voice. "Father Brown made me hate being me."

A pre-sentencing memorandum by prosecutors painted Brown as a serial molester who abused several brothers while a student at a Washington seminary in the 1970s to 1980s. One, who grew up in Georgia and now lives in Oklahoma, testified that Brown abused him on a trip to Disney World in 1978.

Brown was removed from a post at a Savannah, Ga., parish in 1988 and has lived in Savannah since, running a bookkeeping business. He apologized Thursday to the brothers and the Oklahoma man, all of whom were in court.

"There is no excuse for what I did, there cannot be," he said. "I hated myself for what I did."

Elsewhere Thursday, five men who say they were sexually abused by priests years ago, including one man who said he was fondled in a confessional, sued a Roman Catholic diocese in Pennsylvania.

In two lawsuits, the men said they were abused by two priests in the Altoona-Johnstown diocese.
IRAQ

U.N. inspectors talk to Iraqi scientist in private

Associated Press

BAGHDAD

An Iraqi arms expert submitted to a private interview with U.N. weapons inspectors Thursday, a top Iraqi official said hours after the top U.N. nuclear inspector demanded a "drastic change" in Baghdad's level of cooperation.

If confirmed, it would be the first time a scientist linked to Iraq's weapons programs has spoken to inspectors without Iraqi officials present. Such interviews have been a top demand of U.N. inspectors, hoping the scientists will reveal clandestine weapons programs.

"One of our scientists is being interviewed alone, as we speak," Iraqi presidential adviser I. Gen. Amer al-Saadi told a Baghdad press conference. He did not give any details or identify the scientist.

Earlier Thursday, top U.N. nuclear inspector Mohamed ElBaradei demanded Baghdad show greater cooperation, as he and fellow chief inspector Hans Blix briefed British Prime Minister Tony Blair on their way to Baghdad for talks this weekend.

"They need to show drastic change in terms of cooperation," ElBaradei said. "Our mission in Baghdad this weekend is crucial. We hope we will secure full, 100 percent cooperation on the part of Iraq."

Blix and ElBaradei are to present their latest report to the U.N. Security Council on Feb. 14, and Secretary of State Colin Powell said Thursday that their visit to Baghdad would be key to seeing if Iraq intends to cooperate.

In Washington, Powell told senators Thursday that "within weeks" the Iraqi situation will be brought to a conclusion "one way or another."

"A day earlier, Powell laid down the U.S. case against Iraq in a speech to the Security Council, presenting tape recordings, satellite photos and testimony he constituted "irrefutable" proof that Iraq was hiding weapons of mass destruction.

Blix and ElBaradei will challenge Iraqi officials to respond to issues raised by Powell at the Security Council Wednesday, said Hiro Ueki, their spokesman. Al-Saadi and other Iraqi officials dismissed Powell's testimony as full of "fabrications."

Preparations for a possible U.S-led war on Iraq moved forward as Turkey's parliament voted to allow the United States to begin renovating military bases and ports, a first step toward opening the way for the deployment of U.S. troops.

NATO gave tentative approval to a U.S. plan to prepare to protect Turkey if it comes under counterattack from Iraq, France, Germany and Belgium had opposed the plan for weeks, but the preparations will begin Monday unless they raise new objections.

Of the 15 Council members, only the United States and Britain have offered unwaver ing support for forcibly disarm ing Saddam.

RUSSIA

Russia halts tourist space flights despite fiscal problems

Associated Press

MOSCOW

Russia's decision to suspend tourist flights into space after the Columbia disaster is causing a money crunch and the country needs other sources of foreign cash. A key reason is that the sole national launch vehicles, capable of supplying the International Space Station, Russia's space chief said Thursday.

Russian Aerospace Agency Director Yuri Koptev said the country's $130 million space station budget this year is "barely enough" to pay for the two Soyuz and three Progress ships it has already pledged to send to the station.

Earlier this week, Russia decided to suspend flights for paying tourists and crews on short-term visits into space — a move that will cut another $45 million from the budget, Koptev said.

Koptev said during a trip to India on Thursday that other nations in the International Space Station project could cover the additional costs. The ITAR-Tass news agency reported the station's Russian partners would be willing to pay $15 million each to fly to the orbiting station.

The Soyuz crew capsules and Progress cargo ships are now due to be sent to the space station and the three-man crew currently in space.

Another two to three cargo ships will be needed each year to run the station without shuttles, and each costs about $22 million, Koptev said.

"The approach to the 2004 ISS budget should be changed" to pay Russia for the extra spacecraft, the ITAR-Tass quoted him as saying.

In the past, U.S. shuttles have ferried long-term crews to the station, while Russian rockets have carried cosmonauts and space tourists on short visits. The cosmonauts fly up on a fresh Soyuz craft — leaving it behind as an escape module for the crew — and return on the old one.

An American and a South African have paid a reported $20 million each to fly to the space station aboard Russian rockets, and Russia had planned to send more space tourists to the station this year.

Koptev said that his agency would start detailed talks with NASA in 2-3 weeks on how to run the station during the break in shuttle flights.

The prospects of future flights were suspended pending the outcome of the investigation into Saturday's U.S. shuttle disaster that killed seven astronauts.

According to estimates, it might take from six months to 2-1/2 years to resume the shuttle flights, Koptev said, according to the ITAR-Tass.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Zero tolerance for genital mutilation: An inter-African committee on female genital cutting called Thursday for an annual observance of Feb. 6 as an international day of zero tolerance of the practice.

President Bush and members of his war council prayed Thursday for God's guidance through "a testing time for our country," citing the showdown with Iraq, the constant threat of terrorism and the space shuttle's demise. "One thing is for certain, we didn't ask for these challenges, but we will meet them," Bush said at the National Prayer Breakfast.

Reagan marks 92nd birthday at home: Ronald Reagan, who has been in seclusion since disclosing in 1994 that he had Alzheimer's disease, celebrated his 92nd birthday Thursday at his Bel-Air home with wife Nancy. Joanne Drake, the former president's chief of staff, said a low-key affair was planned. She said chocolates — Reagan's favorite — would play a part in his day.

"He's comfortable and doing as well as anyone could expect for a man of 92," Drake said. "He's going to be around a long, long time."
States losing track of sex offenders

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

In a startling new survey, a child advocacy group found that states across the country have lost track of tens of thousands of rapists, child molesters and other sex offenders who are supposed to be registered in Megan's Law databases.

Prompted by an Associated Press investigation that revealed California had lost track of at least 32,000 sex offenders, Parents for Megan's Law contacted all 50 states by telephone to ask about the accuracy of their registries.

It found that states on average were unable to account for 24 percent of sex offenders supposed to be in the databases. And 19 states, including Texas and New York, said they were unable to track how many sex offenders were failing to register.

Federal law requires the addresses of convicted sex offenders to be verified at least once a year. But the survey found that up-to-date addresses for more than 77,000 sex offenders are missing in half of all states. And in the other 18 states and the District of Columbia, which are responsible for 133,705 sex offenders, thousands of registered sex convicts may have disappeared.

"They're implementing Megan's Law, then turning their backs on it," said Laura Ahearn, executive director of the non-profit agency in New York. "They need the technology and the staff to track down their sex offenders."

All states responded to the group's survey, but only 32 were able to provide failure rates. Nearly all of these said they have never audited their sex offender registries and provided only rough estimates of their accuracy.

The survey, which the group plans to release Friday, relied on the word of officials in each state, a la the AP's analysis in California, which was based on a CD-ROM of data taken directly from the registries.

The survey said Oklahoma and Tennessee had the highest rates of noncompliance, both at 50 percent. A Tennessee official disputed this, and Oklahoma's Colorado Department of Corrections spokesman, Brian Johnson, said the figure was just his best guess.

"I don't have any specific actual information in terms of the level of noncompliance," he said. "We've not done a study of that that I'm aware of."

The databases are supposed to help the public and police monitor sex offenders by keeping track of their home and work addresses and other personal details. Adults can search the database at sheriffs' offices or police departments, assuming the information is kept up to date as required.

All states have versions of the law named for 7-year-old Megan Kanka, a New Jersey girl who was raped and killed by a child molester who had moved in across the street. But many states admit they don't know how many of the数据库 are accurate - and they have little staff to do the work.

In Oklahoma, Johnson's department mails address verification forms each year to 5,415 sex offenders, who are required to update and return them. But no one monitors how many of them come back and how many don't. Johnson said he spends about a third of his time on sex offender registries. The full-time worker has the rest of the responsibility.

The advocacy group said Tennessee's Bureau of Investigation told it half of the state's 6,300 sex offenders were out of compliance with the law. But a spokeswoman for the agency, Jeanne Broadwell, said 37 percent of 5,812 offenders were missing. She couldn't explain the discrepancy.

The agency receives most of its updates from local law enforcement by mail, Broadwell said, and it usually takes about six more weeks to put it into the Megan's Law database.

Among the states with the best compliance rates is Florida, where state officials told the group only 4.7 percent of 27,689 offenders have failed to update their addresses. Florida's Department of Law Enforcement sends letters out each year and has a full-time staff of 11 to keep close track of those that come back. Offenders who don't respond get a visit from police, spokeswoman Mary Coffin said.

"We send a notification to law enforcement that says, 'Here's the guys who didn't report.' Certain agencies have entire units who follow-up on these folks," Coffin said.

Several state agencies, including the department that issues driver's licenses and state identification cards, which sex offenders in Florida are required to keep, have direct electronic access to the database.

"We have legislative and technology help that helps us do our best keeping track of these folks," Coffin said.

Ahearn said she was surprised that some populous states reported very different results. For example, Massachusetts told the group it had lost track of 44 percent of its 18,000 offenders, while Illinois said it lost just 14 percent of its 17,087.

After the AP's story about the Oregon database, state and federal lawmakers, advocates for crime victims and police and prosecutors sought to improve Megan's Law databases. But with California and other states facing big budget deficits, more money will be hard to find.

Johnson, the Oklahoma official, also said he doubts the databases will ever provide more than a false sense of security.

"There's three reasons to have a sex offender registry," he said. "One is public protection, the second is it supports law enforcement investigations and it might prevent future acts of criminal behavior. I'm not aware of any research that says any of those things are accomplished."

Polls: UN okay still key issue

Associated Press

Secretary of State Colin Powell built public support for a possible war with Iraq with his address to the United Nations laying out the case against Saddam Hussein, according to several polls taken after his comments Wednesday.

The number who say Powell has made a very strong case against Iraq — an increase from 48 percent who felt that way three weeks ago. The number in that poll who said this country should give U.N. inspectors a few weeks or less before acting was 59 percent, up from 51 percent before Powell's speech.

The ABC-Poll of 504 adults and the NBC News poll of 514 adults had error margins of 4.5 percentage points. The CNN-USA Today-Gallup poll of 601 adults had an error margin of plus or minus 4 percentage points.
Productivity news hurts Dow

Wall Street analysts have been sharply criticized by regulators and lawmakers for touting stocks of companies for whom their firms do lucrative investment-banking business. Several prominent analysts, especially in the high-tech area, are under investigation for possible violations of federal law.

Some SEC commissioners said the agency needs to take more aggressive action to curb analysts' conflicts of interest, going beyond a new rule adopted by federal regulators Thursday.

The Securities and Exchange Commission is expected to propose a new rule, which it proposed last year in response to the collapse of Enron and other big companies whose stock analysts had publicly promoted despite harboring doubts about the companies' finances.

A trader talks on his cell phone outside the New York Stock Exchange. Stock markets tumbled again on worries about a possible war.

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MARKET RECAP

Market Watch February 6

Dow Jones

**Associated Press**

NEW YORK

A tepid productivity report gave investors more reasons to sell Thursday, sending the Dow Jones industrial index 25 points lower and putting the Dow Jones industrials and Standard & Poor's 500 index to levels not seen in nearly four months.

Analysts said trading was uneven as investors made short-term bets, wondering whether or not the United States would wage war on Iraq. Tensions with North Korea also pressed the market.

"It's been sloppy and choppy in the last few sessions as speculative trading entered the fray," said Bryan Piskorowski, market commentator for Prudential Securities. "The lackluster productivity figures are definitely not a step in the right direction."

"There's a massive wait-and-see mentality here, not only on Wall Street but Main Street as well," he added. "With that being the case, speculative action is making the most of it."

The Dow fell 55.88, or 0.7 percent, to close at 7,929.80, below the S&P 500 index's three-day loss of 180 points. It was the lowest level since Oct. 14, when it closed at 7,877.53.

The broader market was mixed. The S&P 500 index dropped 3.64 percent, to 838.15, its lowest level since Oct. 11, when it closed at 835.32. The Nasdaq composite index inched up 15.23, or 0.2 percent, to 1,301.73.

A pair of mixed economic reports reflected their true personal and national origin discrimination.

Tyson executive caught on tape:

Prosecutors played secret tapes Thursday of a man described as a manager at Tyson Foods arranging for the delivery of hundreds of illegal immigrants from an undercover agent posing as a smuggler. "Hell, I put over 700 people to work," said the man on the tape, whom prosecutors identified as plant manager Robert Sanford. "I'm going to need to replace 300 or 400 people...I'm going to need a lot."

Tyson and three officials are charged with conspiring to smuggle illegal immigrants to work on the production lines of the company, Tyson, the country's largest meat processor, supplies about one-quarter of the nation's chickens.

Venezuelans slam money controls:

Venezuela's business leaders warned Thursday that foreign currency controls imposed by President Hugo Chavez will breed corruption, fuel inflation and push the nation's fragile economy to the brink of collapse.

They also suspect Chavez will use the controls to repress opponents and punish those who staged an unsuccessful two-month strike seeking to oust him.

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Some SEC commissioners said the agency needs to take more aggressive action to curb analysts' conflicts of interest, going beyond a recent $1.4 billion settlement agreed to by all the big Wall Street investment firms that resulted from an investigation led by New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer.

The SEC, as a federal agency, should "impose a permanent solution to the issue of analysts' conflicts," Commissioner Reel Campos said at Thursday's public meeting.

President Bush's nominee to become the new SEC chairman, Investment banker William H. Donaldson, addressed the issue at his Senate confirmation hearing on Wednesday. He expressed only "constructive support" for favoritism on the Wall Street firms, saying it was "constructive up to a point" as a supplement to SEC efforts but that state law-enforcement officials should take care not to intrude on the SEC's turf.
NASA not ruling out foam damage as cause of accident

Associated Press

SPACE CENTER, Houston

A day after all but ruling it out as a leading cause, NASA said Thursday that investigators are still considering whether a piece of insulating foam that struck Columbia's wing during liftoff was enough to bring down the shuttle.

Shuttle program manager Ron Dittemore said that even though the possibility appeared remote, investigators must remain open to every option as they put together a so-called fault tree into what caused Columbia's fiery breakup just minutes from its landing Saturday.

"The foam that shed off the tank is just one branch," Dittemore said. "Engineers also have not yet written off the possibility that other debris during the Jan. 16 liftoff might have damaged Columbia. Nothing else unusual was photographed, however."

Engineers taking part in NASA's so-called reverse analysis struggled Thursday to make sense of the eight minutes recorded between the time the first sign of trouble appeared aboard Columbia over California - a surge in temperature in the left landing gear compartment - and the shuttle's final, dying moment over Texas.

Most of the debris field has been in East Texas and Louisiana, but Dittemore said none of the shuttle parts considered crucial to the investigation had yet been found. He said reports of debris west of Texas, including in California, had not been confirmed as shuttle parts.

NASA has been swamped with reports of sightings, some of them caught on camera, of pieces coming off Columbia as it streaked across California. Dittemore said the reports have yet to be verified, and he stressed that all indications in Mission Control suggested no such breakup so far west.

Gehman, appointed by NASA to head the investigation board shortly following Saturday's accident, helped prove the 2000 terrorist attack on the USS Cole. Meanwhile, in the nation's capital, Vice President Dick Cheney addressed a memorial service for the seven astronauts Thursday at the National Cathedral, where a stained glass window holds a piece of moon rock.

"They were soldiers and scientists and doctors and pilots, but above all they were explorers," Cheney said. "They advanced human understanding by showing human courage."

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But what happens when students at a Catholic college raise questions about Church dogmas? When the Saint Mary’s students received funding from the College’s Center for Women’s Intercultural Leadership to attend a pro-choice leadership conference in Washington, D.C. they raised questions.

Why did students from a Catholic college want to attend a leadership conference that promotes ideas that conflict with Catholic teachings? Why did they receive funding from a department in the College? Does CWIL, founded on a $12 million grant from the Lilly Endowment, have an obligation to uphold the College’s Catholic traditions? Is there anything wrong with supporting ideas that differ from the views held by the Catholic Church?

We don’t know. And we do know that there is a difference between exposure and exploitation.

There is nothing inherently wrong with Catholics attending a conference to learn more about a highly controversial issue. After all, no one would oppose a Catholic college that funded a pro-life conference. Education should be open-minded and unbiased. Even a religiously affiliated college has a responsibility to honor its commitment to education before its vow to religious stewardship.

CWIL was not wrong to fund the students’ exploration. In fact, any scholarly environment should embrace inquiry. College students, Catholic or otherwise, are charged with a duty to educate themselves and make informed decisions — even in the face of institutional challenges.

According to its executive summary, CWIL was established to help Saint Mary’s “build on its position as the nation’s premier Catholic women’s college and its tradition of pioneering change in women’s education to create a new and unique locus for innovative thinking, reflection and action.”

The students who attended the conference were immersed in a pro-choice, feminist environment that would be impossible to replicate at Saint Mary’s or Notre Dame. That doesn’t mean that they embraced this new rhetoric — they may be pro-choice, they may be pro-life, they may be undecided on the issue. They may choose not to attend this conference at all, but returning from the conference, all the College should think about them to be more thoughtful, more reflective and more active.

Their trip has already fostered discussion on an important issue. Now these women have a duty to share their experiences with the students who share their faith — students who probably have questions of their own.

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Another year, another disappointing election

I always get the urge to write about the campus politics saga about when I’m rushing to the bathroom. It’s strange. Last year this time, I wrote an article criticizing all the candidates for their vague, unconvincing campaign promises and claimed that such promises would never come to light.

Unfortunately for us, I am always right. I am back to regret being right about being too tough and behold, as I predicted, the Liberty Bishop presidency has been a total failure. Worse than simply not passing her flex-options program, Bishop will now travel to Florida to explain to the Board of Trustees that she is “recognizing a division in this report over opinion on in-balcony dances.”

Bishop knows what the result of expressing this “division” will be — the Trustees will do nothing to bring back the SYL. Guess that must be what she wants. Perhaps as a student government official you just become so buddy-buddy with administrators to be able to stand the ground you promise in campaign seasons, perhaps the administration has sweetened the pot.

Oddly, in a comment about Bishop’s being elected last year, Gary Caruso reminisced that some 30 years ago, the student body president traded fighting for students for a recommendation to Yale. Am I saying that this happened with Bishop? No. She could have turned for less, or for nothing. She could just be naive or weak. But when Bishop didn’t include the Senate’s proposal for a productionary return of the SYL next year in her meeting with the Board of Trustees, she sold out every student on this campus. In the end, it is always we students who lose while these candidates are padding their resumes — or rather, you students. I won’t be here next year.

So, Notre Dame students, how does it feel to be sold out? Worse yet, you’re being sold out by someone you elected who promised that she wanted to be so much more responsive to administration. In short, I want a candidate with the fortitude to stand up to administration — for real — instead of just padding their resume.

The time for the silly argument about what is and what is possible is over. You should be electing a candidate who reflects the changes you want to see on campus, and the changes that, without a belligerent administration could be achieved. If a forum for discussion of theology is what you want to see in Legends, I urge you to vote for a candidate that provides that. If you want printers in every dorm, there is a ticket to satisfy your desires. You have everything from several tickets of over-ambitious, administration-coddling, self-important needs to Hawaiians with bodyguards.

Just make no mistake about it. Student government is not, under any circumstances, going to have an effect on your life. Better to have a leader you respect and who knows to expect students that were polite, prepared, and charismatic” or about having “personal connections?” Those are signs of a U.S. Senate, not of one under the loving gaze of Our Lady.

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Student politics create student apathy

As I stare down the barrel of impending graduation and look to the future with much trepidation (thanks to the Jumble for improving my vocabulary), I find myself wanting to share thoughts about the Golden Dome, particularly student politics.

I opened my copy of The Observer today with shock and chagrin. I cannot believe that one of the finest papers in the land would choose to endorse the Charlie Ebersol-Lauren Meaghen ticket. Frankly, it sickens me. Since when has Notre Dame politics been about being “slick and charismatic” or about having “personal connections?” Those are signs of a U.S. election, not of one under the loving gaze of Our Lady.

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Giants and witches
The Pasquerilla East Musical Company

Once upon a time, fairy tale characters were relegated to their own stories. In "Into the Woods," the Pasquerilla East Musical Company changes this to bring to life princes, witches and beautiful maidens all drawn from a vast collection of classic fairy tales.

The plot of "Into the Woods" mingles characters from an assortment of fairy tales, all ginterconnecting in a fun-filled, action-packed ride. Act I opens by introducing three different storylines onstage at once, with the focus bouncing between them.

Cinderella (Devon Candura) wishes to go to the King's festival; absentminded Jack (Matt Patricoski) is told by his mother (Erin Porvaznik) that he must sell his beloved cow Milky-White; the Baker (Ryan McLaughlin) and his wife (Patricia Gilbert) long for a child; and the famished Little Red Riding Hood (Molly McShane) bursts into the house of the Baker and his wife to gather sweets and breads for her granny.

The Baker and his wife soon learn from their ugly witch neighbor (Lindsey Horvath) that the Baker's father stole from her garden years ago. In order to undo the witch's curse and have a child, she orders them to find four ingredients for a potion before three days' time: "the cow as white as milk; the cape as red as blood; the hair as yellow as corn; the slipper as pure as gold."

During the frenzied search that ensues, more characters play additional roles in the pandemonium, including the Narrator and Mysterious Man (Michael Federico), a ravenous Wolf (Tom Anthony), two princes (Zach Linnert and Brian Grundy), a gigantic beanstalk, a dead Giant, a flour-covered cow and more. All problems are resolved as Act I ends, and it seems that all are destined to live happily ever after.

Then Act II starts.

The action continues as the characters are reintroduced, all considerably happier with their new lives. A sudden disaster involving another giant, however, reunites the characters in the wood once again. The play concludes with several surprising twists and tragedies, with a finale more realistic and less bright and shiny than Act I's.

The orchestra is magnificent with Stephen Sondheim's difficult music, and provides an emotional musical background as well as sound effects. The wonderful lyrics and songwriting allow for standout performances by the many talented singers in the cast. Candura shines in gorgeous solos, like "No One is Alone," and plays Cinderella as a character who changes a great deal during the course of events.

"Cinderella matures from the first act to the second act. As you can see in the first act, she is young and naive when making decisions about the prince because she doesn't really know what she wants out of life. In the second act she's able to understand herself better and make her own decisions," Candura said.

"The other thing I really like about her is that she sort of..."
a new beginning
Pittsburgh game much more important after loss

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Writer

They had the inside track to the Big East West Division title, and now they have work to do.

After knocking off Georgetown in double overtime last Saturday, and after Big East leader and second-ranked Pittsburgh lost to Syracuse later that night, Notre Dame stood in the driver's seat to take its second divisional title in three years.

With a one-game cushion over mighty No. 4 Pittsburgh, virtually all that would stand in their way would be a home matchup against the Pirates Wednesday, assuming the Irish could handle the rest of their Big East opponents in the second half of the season.

But that was before No. 10 Notre Dame won a Wednesday night at Seton Hall 78-72.

And now the Irish have work cut out for them.

Currently, Notre Dame stands tied for second place in the West at 6-2 with Syracuse. After the Irish loss to the Pirates Wednesday night, the Fighting Irish claimed their spot atop the standings.

Now if the Irish are to win the division they will need to defeat Pittsburgh in the Joyce Sunday and take care of business for the rest of their Big East schedule by winning out. Then the Irish need some help from teams underneath them in the West Division standings.

If Notre Dame and Pittsburgh were to finish with the same conference record, the tie-breaking procedure would begin with head-to-head matchups, then record in the division, followed by record against the third place team in the division and continuing down through the standings until a distinction can be made.

Got that?

If it really boils down to that if the Irish beat the Panthers Sunday and then both teams win the rest of their conference matchups, Notre Dame would need to defeat Pittsburgh in the Joyce Sunday, assuming the Irish beat the Panthers Sunday.

In addition, the hyped-up matchup between two of the conference's top guards in Notre Dame's Chris Thomas and Pittsburgh's Big East Preseason Player of the Year Brandon Knight wasn't much of a contest. Thomas was just 2-for-15 shooting for five points in one of his worst performances of the season.

Knight appeared to be much more at ease in leading the potent Pittsburgh offense, sinking an efficient 60 percent of his shots for 12 points.

“As a team, the usually accurate Irish shooters only made 32 percent of their shots, while Pittsburgh shot 53 percent during the game.

“We just need to play better as a team this time around,” Jones said. “They have talent on the outside with Carroll and Thomas, but they can also take you inside like they did the last game against us. We just have to try to play better defense as a team to shut them down.”

Tipoff Sunday is 3:30 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

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Chris Thomas and the Irish look to bounce back from Wednesday's loss to Seton Hall against No. 4, Pittsburgh Saturday.

COACHING

Notre Dame

Brey is well on his way to establishing a quality basketball program. He prepares his team well in practice, but sometimes doesn't pull the reins hard enough when his charges lose control on the court.

Pittsburgh

In just four seasons, Hall took a team that finished 13-15 his first year in Pittsburgh to the Sweet 16. Last year, he coaches his team well in practice and is adept at mixing the right player into the game in the right situation.

STYLE OF PLAY

Notre Dame

One of the few teams in the Big East who doesn't play a physical style of basketball, the Irish rely on their perimeter game to spur them to victory. And when the perimeter isn't clicking — like it was at Seton Hall — the Irish are in trouble.

Pittsburgh

The Panthers love to run their shooters around — dragging opponents into their physical post men. And if the shots don't fall, something that has happened too much this season, Pittsburgh's physical style of basketball always can dump the ball inside.

POST PLAYERS

Notre Dame

Francis has seen the most minutes of the Irish big men, but he is still developing. Cornette, meanwhile, has shown exceptional defense in the post and Timmermans is playing arguably the best basketball of his career.

Pittsburgh

Carroll and Thomas drive the Irish offense — without them, Notre Dame wouldn't have 18 wins. The duo averages 38.8 points a game. Miller provides another scoring threat, but his value to the Irish comes in his defensive play.

PERIMETER PLAYERS

Notre Dame

The Irish are an eight-man rotation, and one of the biggest guessing games for coaches to form is who the Irish will bring off the bench. Jones provides athleticism, Quinn provides offense and Timmermans bulk.

Pittsburgh

The Panthers love to play as many as 10 players a game, mixing and matching parts to tailor their squad to take advantage of opposing weaknesses.

BENCH

Notre Dame

Knight is the guard everybody loves to talk about, but he has a strong supporting cast along the perimeter. Page and Brown are ever-present 3-point threats capable of quickly dismantling opposing defenses.

Pittsburgh

Higher-ranked. On the road. Tops in the Big East West Division. In other words, the Panthers have everything to lose. However, a weak non-conference schedule means they need a quality win come tournament time — a win the Irish could provide.

INTANGIBLES

Notre Dame

The last time Notre Dame played Pitt was last season, a 92-55 victory at Pittsburgh's Petersen Events Center.

Pittsburgh

The Irish haven't lost at home this season, and for good reason. Every opposing coach after every game has called the Joyce Center one of the toughest places to play in the Big East. How will the Panthers handle that challenge?
two years after he left Maryland for Notre Dame, Dan Miller couldn't be happier

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

His old Maryland clothes are stuck in his closet back in New Jersey, one of a handful of reminders of a past Notre Dame forward Dan Miller is eager to leave behind.

There are the questions, too, about the national championship Maryland won while Miller sat out an NCAA-mandatory one year for transferring to Notre Dame.

And there's the call he makes to his Terrapin friends, many of whom he is still close to. Yet Maryland is unquestionably part of Miller's past. Notre Dame is his present.

"I'm happy," he said. "I'm happy with how I'm playing right now. Things are just a lot happier for me..."

The Maryland years

When Terrapins coach Gary Williams first came calling at the Maryland household, he enticed the McDonald's All-American to come to College Park to play basketball. And Miller's Maryland career started strong...

During his freshman year, Miller averaged a little more than 14 minutes a game, and he was one of two freshmen to play all 34 games. His sophomore season was much better, as Miller moved into a starting position and averaged 30 minutes a game. His teammates awarded him the gritty 6-foot-forward the "Untung Herbieward. The next thing happened. Miller's minutes his junior season vanished almost instantly. He unhappily moved back into a reserve role, and although the Terrapins made it to the Final Four, the season wasn't much fun for Miller. How could it be for a player who started one year, averaged fewer than 20 minutes a game the next?

"He didn't get along with his coach real well. He didn't like his style of basketball he played, and he wasn't real happy," Irish tri-captain Matt Carroll said.

So Miller decided to leave. Why exactly he left, he won't discuss. It's a subject he'd rather leave in his past, no matter how many times people bring it up.

But when Notre Dame played Maryland in December, Williams agreed to interview Miller. He said on the condition that Miller's name never came up.

"I didn't like my situation, and I didn't like where things were going," Miller said simply. "I wanted a change of scenery..."

A year without basketball

When Miller made his decision to transfer, he went to coach Gary Williams, who intrinsically understood how difficult sitting out a year could be.

"I'm interested in winning. I'm not interested in stats and stuff."

Dan Miller senior

Humphreys transferred from Oklahoma four years ago, his teammates helped hire him through the season. Now it was Humphreys' turn to help Miller.

"He knew what I was going through, he knew what to say and how to help me stay motivated," Miller said. "I'd always talk to him and he'd relate things to his situation."

Miller thrived more even when Miller's old team started making a run to the national championship. When Miller left the Terrapins, he was keenly aware that the squad could have won a title. But it was something else for him to sit and watch the game on television with other members of the Maryland household, he loves playing in games. And his leadership in the locker room — leadership springing from a Final Four run — is invaluable.

Miller tried to avoid looking back on his three years at Maryland. He doesn't glance down at his hand where a national championship ring could have been had he stayed with the Terrapins. But he doesn't mind saying that the change was worth it.

"When I first met him, I knew he just wanted to play, a lot happier now."

A lot happier for Miller sat out an entire year after his transfer, meaning Miller would put in all the work in practice without seeing the results in a game.

Every game, he walked out of the tunnel with the rest of the Irish squad. The only difference was that they were wearing uniforms, and he had on khakis.

"It was difficult at times because you're not playing basketball in the winter," he said. "My teammates and everybody did a great job keeping me motivated, and I did a lot of work with the strength coach.

One of Miller's greatest assets came in the form of ex-teammate Ryan Humphreys, who intrinsically understood how difficult sitting out a year could be.

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Dan Miller senior
Jones provides the spark as Irish 6th man

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Writer

Ask any member of the Leprechaun Legion who is the sixth man for the Notre Dame basketball team, and they'll likely say the green-clad student body.

But ask anyone on the team who plays that role and you'll probably hear the name of reserve guard Torrian Jones.

The Irish junior has only averaged five points and 19 minutes of playing time this year, but he has specialized in being the player who brings a spark to the court coming off the bench.

He definitely brings a spark when he comes in, Irish captain Matt Carroll told und.com. "Whatever things are going good or bad and he is coming in, we know he is going to bring a lot of energy into the game."

Even though Jones has yet to start a game this season for the Irish, much of the team's success has been due to Jones play off the bench. And that role has been one Jones has embraced and thrived in going good or bad and he is just as influential in the game coming off the bench, which has been my role, since I arrived here," Jones told und.com. "Also I like to come into the game and just change the pace of it. Defensively, I like to bring a presence on the floor, which has been my specialty since I was a freshman in high school."

"Whether it be taking the defensive burden off of Thomas' shoulders for a bit or getting in the face of the opponents' top shooters, Jones has drawn a lot of attention as one of the fiercest defenders in the Big East. "I take it as a compliment in this stage of my career," Jones said. "I'm not sure I'd like to be known as strictly a defensive player for the rest of my career, like those are my only abilities, but right now I'm happy people see that part of my game."

But anyone who watches Notre Dame in the dwindling minutes of a close game and sees Brey attempt to send Jones to the court for every defensive possession knows that is where the junior guard excels.

Sunday, those defensive skills will be tested once again as No. 4 Pittsburgh and Preseason Big East Player of the Year Brandin Knight travel to the Joyce Center.

The Panther point guard averages 10.3 points and 6.5 assists a game this year and is often revered as one of the most explosive players in the game.

Along with Thomas, Jones will often have the burden of staying close to the quick Panther guard Knight. "Knight is one of the best players in the game, and it's always a challenge to guard someone of his skill level," Jones said. "Obviously he wouldn't be where he is today if he couldn't handle the main pressure. If it fails on me to guard him, hopefully I'll be able to slow him down."

If the Irish are to upset Knight and the Panthers Sunday, Jones will be a big part of the action coming off the bench and giving that something extra to the Irish effort as he has for most of the season. "I like coming off the bench a lot," Jones said. "I know I'm just as influential in the game as any other guy, and sometimes you need a guy who can spark you again."

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THE OBSERVER is now accepting applications for 2003-2004 General Board

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All applications must be submitted to Andrew Soukup in The Observer's office, located in the basement of South Dining Hall, by today. Questions about the application process can be directed to Andrew at 1-4541.
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any presents “Into the Woods”

becomes a mother figure at the end, and all this time she had been praying to her own mother who passed away. She finally steps out on her own,” Candura said.

Changes are evident in many of the characters. James Lapine, who wrote the book, incorporated numerous morals among the humor and drama.

Another outstanding performance among many is Patriksonis as the sensitive and youthful Jack. Wavering between bravery and weakness, obedience and defiance, he sings a soaring rendition of “Waltzing in the Sky.”

Director Lizzie Bracken agrees that the play will appeal to a variety of people. “It’s a lovely production, it’s meant to be beautiful and we’ve all struggled to keep that consistency with every aspect of it, to make it enchanting,” Bracken said.

The cast and crew have worked since October, and the result includes touching, lyrical melodies as well as light, bubbly tunes. The play is lengthy with one intermission, but the plot moves so quickly that it is hard to notice. With impressive mood changes, from ominous to cheery to hopeful to dismal, in everything from the acting, singing, dancing and lighting, this fantastic production should lure many people “Into the Woods.”

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NHL

Lemilieu ejected in Penguins' shutout loss

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

Mario Lemieux was ejected for fighting late in Pittsburgh's 6-0 loss to Florida.

LeMilieu, who had eight penalty minutes heading into the game, picked up 29 with 5:12 to play in a scrap with Quebec's Robert Bourassa. Lemieux and then dropped his gloves against the fourth- defendin team with which he was upset with Ference for a second-period cross-check to his hip back was assessed minor penalties for slashing and instigating, a major penalty for fighting, a 10- minute misconduct and game misconduct.

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Pittsburgh's Alexei Kovalev crushed Florida's Andreas Jijija with a hard check Thursday. Despite Kovalev's hit, the Penguins lost 6-0.

Bobby Hull Friday, February 7, 2003

Dietrick's in its past five games, has won only once since beating the Avalanche, and in 5-1-1 in 2003.

Early in the third period, Hull had a great chance to become the sixth NHL player to score 700 regular-season goals. But his shot from the slot was blocked just under the right circle, and a goal-mouth scramble saw Hull's shot off the rebound.

Hull, whose Hall of Fame father Bobby Hull was in attendance, has not scored in six games.

The Red Wings pulled goalie Curtis Joseph for the final minute, and they had two chances to score, including one shot off Hull's stick with about 15 seconds left, but couldn't beat Roy.

Joseph made 30 saves, is 0-4-1 in his past five games since stopping 36 shots at Colorado.

Late in the first period, Tanguay's shot got past a diving Joseph, Rob Blake's shot from the left circle went off the boards behind Joseph and toward Tanguay, who had a wide-open net to shoot at from the right circle.

It was Tanguay's 11th goal, and fifth in five games.

The Avalanche played in Joe Louis Arena for the first time since losing Game 7 of the Western Conference finals.

Bruins, Canadiens

Martin Lapointe scored his first goal since the season and Jeff Hackett stopped his first shot from Hull in the opening period, making it 2-1.

Hackett, acquired via San Jose on Jan. 23 after being dealt from Montreal earlier that day, still wasn't wearing his Canadiens' pads and mask. He was tested early as Murray was whistled for a double-minor for high-sticking 10 seconds into the game. But Hackett stopped the few chances the Canadiens got.

Even though his new equipment arrived in the first week after the trade, Hackett has still worn the red, white and blue pads and mask he had with Montreal — an odd sight with the Bruins playing their long-time rivals.

Murray scored his team-leading 28th goal to make it 3-1 in the second period with Boston on a two-man advantage.

Czechmanek scored on a backhander from in close, cutting it to 3-2 midway into the second period.

Boynton beat goalie Joe Theodore with a slap shot from the point, making it 4-2 early in the final period. But Juneau slipped with a wraparound past Hackett.

Flyers, Senators

Eric Chouinard scored in the first period and assisted on Jeremy Roenick's goal in the second, lifting the Philadelphia Flyers to a tie with the Ottawa Senators.

Chouinard, acquired from Montreal on Jan. 29, scored his second goal in three games with Philadelphia before setting up Roenick's 15th goal of the season.

Flyers goalie Roman Cechmanek made 43 saves as Ottawa outshot Philadelphia 45-30 overall, including a 19-11 margin in the opening period.

Senators captain Daniel Alfredson had two assists, setting up first-period goals by Zdena Chara and Todd White. Ottawa beat the New York Rangers 5-3 at Madison Square Garden on Wednesday to end a three-game losing streak.

Rookie Martin Prusak subbed in for Senators All-Star goalie Patrick Lalime, who missed the game because of the flu. Prusak is 9-1-1 for Ottawa.

Philadelphia learned earlier in the day that left wing Simon Gagne will miss at least three weeks after suffering a partially torn right groin in the Flyers' 2-1 win over the Islanders on Tuesday.

Chara opened the scoring with his fifth goal on a power play, scoring just two seconds after Philadelphia killed off the first of two minor penalties.

Chouinard drew the Flyers even just 14:14 later with a power-play goal.
Bryant’s 46 pushes Los Angeles above .500

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Kobe Bryant and Shaquille O’Neal have the Los Angeles Lakers playing like champions again.

Bryant dazzled New York with an array of drives, jumpers and dunks, and O’Neal overpowered the Knicks inside as the Lakers won 114-109 to enter the All-Star break with a winning record for the first time this season.

“Kobe and Shaq have shown they’re the two top dogs in the league,” teammate Robert Horry said. “They’re carrying us. You have to give the credit to those two guys.”

Bryant matched his season high with 46 points and O’Neal added 33 as the Knicks had no answer for Los Angeles’ dynamic duo. Bryant (40) and O’Neal (28) combined to outscore the Knicks in the first three quarters as the Lakers took a 97-67 lead.

The Lakers (24-23) then survived a spirited fourth-quarter rally by the Knicks to end the first half of the season with their coach Phil Jackson said.

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The Knicks (30-14) are a different story. Bryant has scored at least 35 points in five straight games, scoring 201 points in that stretch. This scoring spree coincides with Jackson telling Bryant to take over more of the scoring load.

“He’s opened the offense up and allowed me to penetrate more,” Bryant said. “I’m getting the ball in position where I can score quickly. I’m being more assertive.”

The Knicks, who had won seven of 10, played the second half without leading scorer Allan Houston, who left the game with a bruised right wrist and is day to day.

Latrell Sprewell led New York with 24 points, Howard Eisley added 16 and Charlie Ward had 15 points and 11 assists.

Bryant had 16 of his 22 third-quarter points during a 25-9 run that put the Lakers up 95-61 with 1:41 to go.

Bryant started the run with a driving layup, knifing through the center of the Knicks’ defense for the easy basket. He added three 3-pointers, a runner and a turnaround jumper from deep on the baseline. He flexed after his final 3 gave the Lakers a 34-point lead.

The Knicks didn’t go away, scoring the first 16 points of the fourth quarter to get within 14.

Sprewell, who made all nine of his 3-pointers Tuesday against the Clippers, hit a 3 to make it 103-91 with 5:34 to go.

A jumper by Michael Olowokandi made it 107-100 with 2:45 to go.

After a turnover by Bryant, Lee Nailon scored underneath to make it a five-point game with 1:52 to go.

After another Lakers’ turnover, O’Neal blocked Sprewell’s layup attempt and made one free throw to make it 108-102.

Sprewell shot an airball when Bryant appeared to hit his arm on the way up. Bryant then hit two free throws to make it 110-102 with 30.3 seconds to play.

“Absolutely I was fouled on the play,” Sprewell said. “To me it was an easy call.”

Bucks 97, SuperSonics 91

Ray Allen scored 14 of his 27 points in the fourth quarter as the Milwaukee Bucks beat Seattle, sending the SuperSonics into the All-Star break with a three-game losing streak.

Milwaukee goes into the break having won 11 of 14 games.

Allen and Michael Redd, who had 19 points, scored the first 22 points of the final quarter for the Bucks.

Kevin Ollie hit two free throws

Los Angeles guard Kobe Bryant’s 46 points in the Lakers’ 114-109 victory Thursday.

with 19.6 seconds left to give Milwaukee a 96-91 lead. Brent Barry’s pass toward Rashard Lewis sailed high out of bounds and Allen hit a free throw with 14 seconds left for the final score.

Allen hit a 3-pointer, Tony Kukoc made a free throw and Anthony Mason added a baseline jumper with 2:06 left to cap a 6:0 run and give Milwaukee a 92-83 lead. Barry hit two free throws and Lewis scored on a layin with 20 seconds left to bring Seattle within 94-91.

The Sonics kept it tight most of the game, one night after losing 114-74 at Boston. Gary Payton scored on a breakaway layup to tie it at 77-76 with 30.5 left.

Payton had 27 and Lewis 18 to lead Seattle.

Ansu Sesay hit a baseline jumper with a second left in the third quarter to give Seattle a 68-67 lead going into the final quarter.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Contreras arrives in New York to sign contract

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Jose Contreras has a nickname as sharp as his pitches: "El Titan de Bronce." And, he says, it was given to him by Fidel Castro.

Contreras finally made it to Yankee Stadium to finalize his four-year contract, $32 million contract.

At his introductory news conference, Contreras said the Cuban president called him "The Titan of Bronze" because the right-hander was the Cuban ace.

The nickname originally belonged to Antonio Maciel, the general who led the Cuban liberation army against Spain in the 19th century.

Contreras, however, wouldn't say what he thinks about Castro, whose communist regime has caused many Cuban baseball superstars to defect, leaving their homeland.

"I can talk about Cuba. I can talk about Cuban baseball," Contreras said through a translator. "But I'm not here as a politician to talk about politics."

Dressed in a double-breasted blue-gray suit, the 6-foot-4 right-hander spoke softly about his departure from Cuba last fall and his hopes to make his mark in the major leagues.

His model is Roger Clemens, one of his new teammates in the pinstripes. Will the Titan pitch inside, just like the Rocket?

"Si, si, si," Contreras said, words agent Jaime Torres didn't need to translate.

"That's the difference for a pitcher," Contreras said. "That's how a pitcher lives, pitching inside."

Asked what he admired in Clemens, Contreras cited "great, incredible physical condition and abilities," "pitching strategy" and "guts and bravado."

Contreras, who has a burly chest and tree-trunk legs, will get to start showing his stuff next week, when the Yankees open spring training in Tampa, Fla. He'll be scrutinized along with the team's other new foreign acquisition, outfielder Hideki "Godzilla" Matsui.

"These people have been superstars in their respective leagues," said Yankees manager Joe Torre, looking tan following a six-week vacation in Maui. "I'm curious. I really am. They're both going to need interpreters. But I bet they understand each other."

Contreras did not get quite the welcome given Matsui, a three-time MVP in Japan. When Matsui was introduced Jan. 14, the Yankees held a news conference at a Times Square hotel, and New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg was the official greeter.

Thursday's fiesta was held in the Stadium Club of Yankee Stadium, and Bronx Borough President Adolfo Carrion Jr. welcomed him "on behalf of all New Yorkers and Latino descent."
Bankrupt Sabres seek additional credit line

Associated Press
BUFFALO, N.Y.

Along with asking for an additional $15 million line of credit to cover operating expenses, the bankrupt Buffalo Sabres are seeking court approval to pay four players their deferred signing bonuses.

Sabres' attorney William Thomas is scheduled to make both requests in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Buffalo.

The request for an additional line of credit was not unexpected, Judge Michael J. Kaplan granted the Sabres up to $25 million in debtors-in-possession financing when he approved an initial $10 million line of credit after the team filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The Sabres, in jeopardy of folding or moving after the end of this season, owe their 40 largest creditors more than $206 million.

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**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

College Basketball Skills Competition 7 p.m., ESPN

**SATURDAY**

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

Temple at Massachusetts 12 p.m., ESPN Alabama at Florida 1 p.m., CBS

Wisconsin at Northwestern 2 p.m., ESPN Connecticut at Providence 4 p.m., ESPN Michigan State at Indiana 7 p.m., ESPN Texas at A&M 8 p.m., ESPN2

**NBA BASKETBALL**

NBA Rookie Challenge 4 p.m., TNT
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**HOCKEY**

Detroit at Colorado 3 p.m., ABC

**SUNDAY**

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

Pittsburgh at Notre Dame 3:30 p.m., ABC Texas Tech at Missouri 1:30 p.m., ABC

Ohio State at Illinois 1 p.m., ESPN North Carolina State at Virginia 4 p.m., ESPN

**NBA BASKETBALL**

NBA All-Star Game 8:30 p.m., TNT

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**GOLF**

Tiger Woods will make it official Thursday that he will enter the Buick Invitational after undergoing arthroscopic knee surgery on Dec. 12.

Tiger to return at Buick Invitational

Associated Press

NEW YORK

I t's time for Tiger Woods to get back to work.

Woods, who spent the last two months recovering from knee surgery, will end the longest layoff of his career next week when he returns to the PGA Tour in San Diego.

"Things are progressing nicely, and I will officially enter the Buick Invitational on Thursday," Woods said on his web site.

In a conference call last week, Woods reported no pain in his left knee.

He played 18 holes for the first time Tuesday with his father and shot 66.

"The real test comes next week at Torrey Pines," he said. "That's when I will find out how the knee holds up in competition and what, if any, effect walking the course has on it."

The Buick Invitational is a good spot for him to return.

Along with having an endorsement deal with GOLF Magazine were taken out of context and that he meant to explain Woods' talent.

"I heard it was said in fun and jest, but until I talk to him, I really don't know," Woods said. "Quite frankly, questioning my equipment is foolish. I'm not going to play with anything that is going to hold me back. My career will be judged on how much I've won."

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**Reds win Chen arbitration**

The Cincinnati Reds beat Bruce Chen in the first salary arbitration case this year, and the pitcher will make $700,000 this season instead of the $830,000 he asked for.

Arbitrators Richard Bloch, Kenneth Perea and I.B. Helburn issued their decision Thursday, a day after hearing the case in St. Petersburg, Fla.

The 22-year-old left-hander went 2-5 with a 5.56 ERA in six starts and 49 relief appearances last season, when he made $300,000.

Reds general manager Jim Bowden and outside lawyer Mel Southard improved to 8-2 in arbitration cases.

Just 17 players remain in arbitration among the 72 who filed last month. Hearings are scheduled through Feb. 20.
After slow start, Irish look to keep winning

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

It took five matches—and the worst start in program history—for the Irish to finally earn their first win of the season.

On Saturday, in West Lafayette, Ind., the sixth-ranked Blue Devils defeated the Irish 3-2, taking the weekend series against the Boilermakers with a Friday match win.

"Purdue is a good team," junior Matt Scott said. "They're probably a better team than Wisconsin." Both the Irish and the Boilermakers face tough schedules this weekend. No. 10 Duke will visit Notre Dame on Sunday. Purdue begins a three-match homestand with a Friday match against Toledo. After Saturday's bout with the Irish, Purdue will contend with No. 7 Western Michigan Sunday.

Under coach Bobby Ballis, Notre Dame has never lost to Purdue. Last season, the Irish posted two shutouts against the Boilermakers, including a 4-0 victory in the second round of the NCAA tournament. It was two years ago when junior midfielder Brendan D’Amico and junior Luis Haddock, who clinched the doubles point that turned the tide in that match. Because of those stats, chances are high Purdue will be looking to make a killing against a 1-4 Notre Dame squad that has struggled this season.

"We’re going to expect a battle," Scott said. "It’s not an easy place to play. We’re up for the challenge, and I like our chances. With (Saturday’s) win, we can use it to boost our confidence and take it hard to Purdue." A Purdue Injury could potentially bode well for the Irish. (The Boilermakers) number one player, Scott Mayer, ranked 120th in the nation, may not play being one of the team’s three weekend matches. Mayer had elbow surgery in November and the team does not want to aggravate the injury.

When Notre Dame welcomes the Blue Devils Sunday, the Irish will either be rejoicing or recovering after their Friday road match with No. 2 Illinois. The Illini defeated the Irish Jan. 29. "The (Duke) match will be a tough battle," Haddock said. "Once again, we won’t be expected to win. We have a chance. It’s just a matter of trusting ourselves." The Blue Devil squad boasts a good deal of talent, including junior Phillip King, who has been ranked as high as second nationally. Additionally, two Duke doubles pairs are top-25 caliber. Duke returns five of the top six players from the 2002 squad that finished ranked 17th after losing to Kentucky in the Round of 16 in last year’s NCAA tournament. The Irish believe they are improving and overcoming their inexperience as a whole, and the team wants the win over something to carry them mentally into this weekend.

Additionally, Notre Dame hopes that its four initial defeats will serve as valuable lessons for a young Irish squad. "We know it’s a process," D’Amico said. "If you do the right things every day, good things will come out of it."

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SMC BASKETBALL

Belles hope to avoid sting

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

To say that Saint Mary's has had a tough 2002-03 would be an understatement. After winning four games in 2002, the Belles have won one game since the New Year began, as they have lost eight in a row, with their last win coming on Jan. 6. However, Saturday presents the Belles with yet another opportunity to turn things around, as they travel to Kalamazoo to face the Hornets, who are tied for sixth in the MIAA in conference play.

Kalamazoo (12-7, 6-3 in the MIAA), comes off a 56-52 win over Alma, while the Belles (5-15, 1-6), look to rebound from a 77-47 loss to Hope. The last time these two teams met, it was a 7-0 loss to the Hornets pulled away with a 60-33 victory.

These two teams are evenly matched, despite their different records. Kalamazoo is seventh in the MIAA in scoring, averaging 59.2, and 57.1 points per game, respectively. Another plus for the Belles is that the Hornets are last in the MIAA in team rebounding, averaging only 31.5 rebounds per game. Saint Mary's is fifth in the MIAA in rebounding, averaging 37.2 rebounds. The Belles have struggled in that department as well, creating an even match-up.

Sophomore forward Emily Creachbaum leads the Belles averaging 13.3 points per game, on 50 percent shooting, and 6.3 rebounds. However, she missed Wednesday's game with an ankle injury, and is only averaging 11.1 points and 3.6 rebounds in conference play.

Freshman guard Bridget Boyle, (8.8 points per game) and junior Annie Hogeman (7 points, 5 rebounds), also contribute on the offensive end for Saint Mary's.

Kalamazoo will counter Saint Mary's with some balanced scoring of their own, led by senior guard Aaron D'Antoni, who is sixth in the MIAA, averaging 13.6 points per game, to go with 5.9 rebounds. Vanessa Larkin (11.4 points), and Alissa Johnston (10.7 points), also average double figures for the Hornets.

Saint Mary's and Kalamazoo have played well of late, was nominated for the MIAA Player of the Week, as Saint Mary's point guard Katie Miller. Miller looks to help her team take better shots, as the Belles struggled against Hope, shooting 21 percent from the field, and are only averaging 36 percent for the season, while their opponents average 43 percent from the field.

Saint Mary's and Kalamazoo tip off at 3 p.m. at Kalamazoo's Anderson Athletic Center.

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MEN'S TENNIS

After slow start, Irish look to keep winning

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field that could break four minutes," Irish coach Joe Plone said. "We need Luke to run well."

In addition to Watson, both the mens and womens teams will be looking to continue their strong early season performances this weekend.

The men have been led by their distance group and sprinter Selim Nurudeen. Nurudeen is among the Big East leaders in the 60-meter dash and the 60-meter hurdles, and is expected to contend for the 60-meter hurdles title at the Big East Championships. In addition to Watson, the Irish have many other runners that either are looking to quality for the Big East Championship or are looking to strengthen their already solid qualitying times for that event.

"We still need to get a few more people in the Big East," said Plone. For the women, the Irish will be looking for continued production from seniors Tameisha King and Jaime Volkmer. Also important will be the depth of the Irish sprinters, including Big East qualifiers Kyria Love and Kristen Dodd. Lauren King and Molly Ruddle will be looking to improve on their already strong times in the distance events.

The field this weekend will also include many talented athletes, making the Meyo one of the most important indoor meets in the Midwest.

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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Fielding Irish Men's lacrosse

Fighting Irish Men's Lacrosse

1st Game of the Year

Scrimmage vs. MLL Stars

Saturday, February 8th

Loftus Fieldhouse

7 pm
MENS SWIMMING

Oakland provides last chance to break even

By LISA REIJULA
Sports Writer

Oakland's men's swimming and diving team will have one last chance to get back to 500 this weekend. The Irish will travel to Rochester, Mich., for a dual meet against Oakland University Saturday.

Last weekend the Irish beat Cleveland State before losing by the slimmest of margins to St. Bonaventure on the last relay. Notre Dame currently has a dual meet record of 6-7.

"We want to finish out the season strong," freshman Patrick Heffernan said. "We need to get some races in and we'd like to get a win."

Notre Dame showed its fighting side against the talented Bonnies. Down for the majority of the meet, the Irish rallied to gain a slight lead before the heartbreaking finish.

Oakland 5-5 and Notre Dame have faced several of the same opponents over the course of the season. Both teams fell to a tough Pittsburgh team and both also beat Michigan State. However, the Grizzlies defeated St. Bonaventure on the road in January.

A standout for Oakland this season has been freshman Scott Dickens. Dickens set new Mid-Continent Conference records in both the 100 and 200-meter breaststrokes this year.

Named the conference's Newcomer of the Year and Co-Swimmer of the Year, Dickens is also a member of the Canadian National Junior Team. Dickens earned four medals for Canada at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival and is aiming for the 2004 Olympic Games. He will be a formidable opponent for the Irish on Saturday.

"It should be an exciting meet for us," Heffernan said. "There will be a lot of good races and I think we're up for it."

The Irish will compete in the biggest meet of the season in two weeks, when the Big East Championships are held in Uniondale, N.Y. The conference championships have been the long-term goal and focus of the team all year.

"We're going to rest and get geared up for the big show that's coming up," said Heffernan of the team's plans. The meet is scheduled to start Saturday at 2 p.m.

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FENCING

Different goals this weekend at Duke Duals

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Editor

After two weekends of facing top teams, the mens and women's fencing teams face different goals at this weekend's Duke Duals.

The womens team (12-2) looks to rebound from losses the past two weekends to No. 4 Ohio State and No. 1 Penn State. With no top teams on the schedule this weekend, the Irish should be able to address their areas of concern.

"We are doing not bad. I am pleased but not happy," Notre Dame coach Janusz Bednarski said. "We have a lot of work to do. We need to improve the best fencers and get them to win the bouts that they can. We also need to improve the weak part of our team which is sabre, and we are working hard to get them ready.

The mens sabre team has been the weakness in Notre Dame's two losses this year. In those losses, the sabre team went 1-3. This weekend, the sabre team is expected to be up to par.

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While the women are attempting to get their confidence back, the mens team (14-0) is trying to avoid a letdown after defeating No. 4 Ohio State and No. 1 Penn State during the past two weeks.

"It is another a problem, but we can't celebrate too long," Bednarski said. "We started training right after the competition which was related with talks about the situation that we can't celebrate too long."

(Penn State) is a better team than us, but it is good news for us that we beat them.

The toughest competition for the mens team this weekend will come from No. 6 Stanford. Earlier this season at Penn State, the Cardinal lost 16-11 to the defending national champion Nittany Lions. Despite his team having defeated the top-ranked squad, Bednarski knows this match is dangerous.

"They are a top team which always is in the top six in the end. We will check them out because we hear they are very strong but not super strong like Penn State," he said. "They are a dangerous team and have big individuals who can take others to victory. We have to be very focused this weekend.

The Irish will be tested by the Cardinal mens foil squad. Junior Mark Mulholland and sophomore Steve Gerbermann each earned All-American honors at last year's NCAA Championships. Gerbermann defeated mens foil captain Ozren Debic for third place 15-9.

Coming into the Duke Duals, the mens team looks to extend its 73-match winning streak, which is currently third longest in school history.

Other schools scheduled to compete in Durham, N.C., this weekend include Air Force, the host Blue Devils, Johns Hopkins and North Carolina.

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IRISH KNOW HOKIES PRESENT TOUGH CHALLENGE

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame won their second consecutive game Wednesday night against Georgetown and played their best half of basketball this season in almost all of their games this season. They lost by just 12 to No. 1 Connecticut on the road, two to No. 22 Villanova and one point in overtime to Miami. The Hokies are coming off back-to-back conference wins over Providence and Seton Hall.

"They're just got a really solid five," McGraw said. "Kublina is very difficult to guard. She can shoot threes and score inside; she can do a lot of good things.

However, this may be a different Notre Dame team from the Hoyas. Notre Dame had four players score in double figures and used a 23-0 run to cruise to a conference win.

McGraw said she knows that the Irish are facing another formidable foe on the road. McGraw said that the committee discussed involved interest surveys and what part they played in deciding how many men and women participate in each sport. McGraw and the committee agreed that it would not be wise to base the number of participants just on an interest survey. "Women have not always known they were interested in sports," McGraw said. "Look at the crew team. We had 140 women go out for the crew team, when probably 139 of them didn't row in high school.

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Watson chasing a record

Irish host quality field at Meyo Invitational

By ANDY TROGER
Sports Writer

Having already qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships in the 3,000 meters, Irish senior Luke Watson will be looking to add another great performance to the Irish record books Saturday as Notre Dame hosts the annual Meyo Invitational.

The Meyo Invitational, held tonight and Saturday at the Loftus Sports Center, will high-light many of the top teams in the nation. Michigan, Central Michigan, Eastern Michigan, Windsor and Michigan State will be sending both their men's and women's teams, while Georgetown is sending only their men's team. Also compet-ing on the women's side are Arkansas, Maryland, Clemson and Tulane.

In what could become the signature event of this year's Invitational, Watson will be looking to become the second Notre Dame runner ever to break the sub-four minute mile barrier against an elite field.

"There are five guys in the..." see MEYO/page 20

McGraw plays role on committee

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

When a representative of the White House called Muffet McGraw early last summer, the Irish coach thought her joke on her. But it was appointed McGraw to a 15-member committee called the Commission on Opportunity in Athletics on June 22. The group was to consider two-dozen recommenda-tions concerning the opportu-nities for male and female stu-dent-athletes at college and evaluate the Title IX law.

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Our charge was to listen to anybody that wanted to come to any of four town hall meetings across the country and hear anyone that had experiences with Title IX," McGraw said. "We were supposed to listen, gather information and from that information make recommendations."

The commission started with 24 rec-ommendations at the end of the four town hall meetings, and passed 22. McGraw said about half of the recommendation were general, while the other 11 were specific to changing the law.

One proposal that schools should have 50 percent male athletes and 50 percent female athletes, no matter what per-cent-age of men and women attended the institution. That proposal tied at seven votes apiece.

McGraw said she voted against that issue because she didn't want to lose opportuni-ties.

The committee also voted on whether to keep and clarify the Title IX law. That recommenda-tion passed with a unanimous 15-0 vote.

"We wanted to clarify [the law] for everybody," McGraw said. "That passed 15-0, so it was interesting that kind of leaving it alone, but clarifying it..." see TITLE IX/page 22

MENS LACROSSE

Irish host talented pro squad

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame mens lacrosse team will take on a team composed of current professional players, including several former Irish players, in a scrimmage at 7 p.m. in Loftus.

The Irish, who are ranked 17th in this year's Inside Lacrosse Magazine preseason poll, will face 11 teams ranked in the preseason top 25 this year.

This weekend's scrimmage will be a good benchmark for the Irish, who are coming off a somewhat disappointing 5-8 record from last year. "This is a great way to pre-pare ourselves for the season," Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. "We won't play a more talented team all year. We may play some of the best chemistry, but no one with better talent."

Corrigan said the Irish opponent this weekend is "a bunch of guys" who make up some of the finest lacrosse talent in the world.

Included on that team are Todd Rassas, a three time All-American while at Notre Dame; two-time Irish All-American Jimmy Keenan and the first All-American in Notre Dame history, Tom Glazet.

Corrigan said the team might have the two best offensive players in the world today, as well as a defense that includes three members of the Irish All-American team.

"This will be a great test for us, not just man-to-man, but also to see how we play as a team," Corrigan said.

The Irish will need to start strong this season, as their first game is a road matchup against No. 15 Penn State. Starting was no problem for the Irish last year; it was fin-ishing that was the team's Achilles' heel.

Out of the eight Irish losses last year, six were one-goal games, and three were decided in overtime.

"We just couldn't seem to get over that hump," Corrigan said. "I think we're a little more determined this year."