Students feel connected to Iraq war

**Community comes to grips with military loved ones in Iraq**

**By MIKE CHAMBLISS**

With hundreds of thousands of troops in Iraq, and U.S. officials declaring that the United States is prepared to pay a "high price" in order to ease Iraqi president Saddam Hussein, millions of Americans are trying to make the war easier to bear for their loved ones, and also the midwestern delivery district education representative Villalvazo - will work on future changes.

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**Project aims to redesign urban delivery truck**

**By HIMANSHU KOTHARI**

Design students are working on a new project to redesign an urban delivery truck that can be used in industries from general delivery to specialist manufacturers.

"The project is being led by art professor Paul Down, the vice president for national education of the Industrial Designers Society of America (IDSA), and John Eason, an assistant professor of the industrial design group and also the midwestern district education representative of IDSA.

Two teams of students - led by graduate student Michael Khalwji and senior Joseph Villalvazo - will work on different aspects of the design.

"We are trying to make the truck lighter, which can accommodate any type of engine, electric, hydrogen, etc..." said Khalwji, who is leading the team that will look at future changes.

Villalvazo, who is leading the team to monitor the truck's use, said. "We are dealing with the usability aspects, we have to design the dashboard and figure out ways to make it easier to load the truck for many different industries like mail delivery, food manufacturing and other things, including, among a variety of other things, chapstick, home-made cookies, playing cards and Pringles potato chips. These items are given to Baxter who then passes them to be sent overseas.

The most important item Marines included on the list is written letters.

"I had a dad [who was] in the army during World War II, and two brothers in the Navy," Baxter said. "All three spoke over and on about the importance of mail call, especially when they were deployed."

**Feminist denounces practice of abortion**

**By EMILY BRAMMER**

Deirdre McQuade, National Program Director of Feminists for Life of America, said women deserve a better option than abortion Tuesday. Students, faculty, and members of the surrounding community were in attendance for the talk, which was sponsored by the Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership, the Center for Spirituality, and Saint Mary's Right to Life.

"We Feminists for Life stand behind women who have an abortion and say, 'No woman should ever have to go through what you went through,'" McQuade said. She aims to bring people together who differ on controversial issues like abortion, so that the conflicting sides may find common ground.

"While many Americans disagree on the issue of abortion, both sides agree that we should work on limiting the number of abortions that occur each year," said McQuade. Unfortunately, efforts have done very little to achieve this cause."

McQuade also talked about the feminists who spearheaded the original women's rights movement, and how Second Wave feminists, when they established abortion rights as the central issue in the 1960s and 70s, abandoned the core feminist principles of justice, nonviolence and nondiscrimination.

"The original feminist movement did not even mention abortion," said McQuade. "The Second Wave feminists completely abandoned the work of the original feminist movement... instead of changing society to accept women, they fought for women to accept society."

She quoted original women's rights activists such as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, as well as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton.
INSIDE COLUMN

Fuzzy Math

Yesterday, the U.S. Supreme Court began to review the University of Michigan affirmative action cases. If this case is good for anything, it is the fact that it shines a spotlight on the still present problem of people's attitude toward race and ethnicity in academics. The plaintiffs in the Michigan case are former applicants who were rejected by Michigan. It happened to be that they were white. It happened to be that Michigan was a supporter of affirmative action.

Even though out of 150 points on the Michigan undergraduate admissions scale, one could attack several areas where certain groups of people have a greater advantage than others, the plaintiffs decided to play the race card as the reason for why they were not admitted.

Never mind the fact that there are 150 points that are strictly academic, including GPA, standardized tests, academic strengths of schools and curriculum. Most know that the last three are advantageous to the wealth of any race because of their access to better high schools with better test preparation and course options.

Never mind the fact that there are five non-academic categories in which students can receive up to 20 points and only one of them is by being a minority. If they qualify in all areas, they can get 100 points, only 20.

A student can receive the 20 points for socioeconomic disadvantage, but we've never seen a major lawsuit attacking poor applicants, who can be of any race on the back of the line. Athletes or academics can receive the 20 points also, but the Supreme Court is not hearing a case on how that discriminates against the physically disabled.

Or what about the Provost's discretion clause, which can also get you a piece of the 20-point pie? Who do you think has access to the Provost's discretion? I'd bet that it's not a disproportionate amount of socioeconomically disadvantaged people, athletes or minorities—but that's just my educated guess.

Then you got to the hotly contested areas of the 20-point clause: being an underrepresented minority or attending a predominantly minority high school. In the latter category, one does not have to be a minority.

The remaining 20 points are spread across several categories including residency and alumni relationships—again categories where some are winners and some are losers regardless of race.

If this is not my intention to tout Michigan's policy as the best, what I do intend to do, however, is ask a question. Out of all the potential points in the Michigan undergraduate admissions policy, why is it that the plaintiffs focus to the race issue as the one to immediately attack? The Michigan admission policy, found at http://www.umich.edu/~uaw/admissions/admissions/sap/sapolicy.html, clearly shows alternative ways to look at the debate.

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Today's Lunch: Fried cheese ravioli, cheese and pepperoni freedom bread pizza, Swiss steak, haddock with herbs, curried rice and vegetable pilaf, sugar-snaps pea, cream of wheat, scrambled eggs, sausage rolls, creamed almonds, Freedom toast, cheesy hash brown, 909 biff sandwich, Japanese ginger chicken tenders, chicken taco Today's Dinner: Fried cheese ravioli, three-pepper sauce, cheese freedom bread pizza, sherryed chicken thighs, whipped potatoes, broccoli spears, grilled redfish, corn, sliced carrots, baked sweet potatoes, cauliflower, beef tamale, Flame-roasted corn and peppers

South Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Neapolitan spaghetti, Italian sausage marinara, 4-cheese pizza, cherry turnover, toasted pretzel sticks, cheese and rice croquettes, chicken enjambala, rotisserie chicken, cut pineapple, broccoli cuts, sliced carrots, steamed spinach, fried cheese ravioli with spaghetti sauce, soft pretzel, vegetable loaf roll, chicken Acapulco Today's Dinner: Neapolitan spaghetti, cherry turnover, toasted pretzel sticks, Italian-blend vegetables, buffalo chicken wings, rotisserie beef churrascarias, grilled pork chops, hot chunky apple sauce, cut corn, steamed spinach, freedom dip sandwich, as jus, soft pretzel, sesame-soy chicken breast, pork tamale

Saint Mary's Dining Hall
Today's Dinner: Caribbean portobello wrap, chicken tuscany with herb paste, grilled hamburgers, turkey strollers, rigatoni with Italian sausage, pepperoni pizza, tomato mozza pizza, grilled chicken, teriyaki lefser, roasted turkey, slice turkey breast, sliced roast beef hummus, sugar cookies, bananas foster bars, New England clam chowder Today's Dinner: Quiche, roasted pepper quesadilla, baked ziti ratatouille, black eyed peas and corn muffins, ice cream float, pasta bar, rotisserie style Greek chicken, confetti rice, ranch pizza with bacon, cheese pizza, pesto and vegetable stuffed potatoes, warm bread pudding, white cake with fudge icing

WHAT'S GOING DOWN
Student falls in Dillon, goes to hospital After a fall in Dillon Hall, NDSF took a student to St. Joseph Medical Center for injuries early Tuesday morning.

Student reports suspicious person A student reported to NDSF that a suspicious person was on Holy Cross Drive Sunday at 5 p.m. The case is pending.

Wallet of student missing since Oct. A student reported Monday to NDSF that his wallet was stolen off campus on Oct. 23. The case is pending.

Driver allegedly hits parked vehicle NDSF received a report Monday that a vehicle hit another parked vehicle on St. Joseph Dr. No injuries were reported and the case is closed.

Two-car accident reported on Juniper A visitor reported to NDSF a two-car accident occurred Friday on Juniper Rd.

NDSF find 2 abandoned bikes NDSF found one abandoned bike near the Stadium outside gate A and another between Murriyse and Fisher Halls. Both bikes were brought to NDSF for safekeeping.

---compiled from the NDSF crime blotter

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What's Cooking
Online calendar increases in popularity

By LINDA SKALSKI
News Writer

Scanning posters plastered in the stairwell of O’Shaughnessy, reading fliers taped inside bathroom stalls or looking at table tents in the dining hall no longer have to be student’s central source of campus event information.

Underthedome, a new online calendar with a comprehensive list of campus events, has been extremely popular since it was first made available mid-February. Located at www.underthedome.nd.edu, and featured on the "Popular Links" drop-down menu of the Notre Dame homepage, the Web site received 114,402 page hits in its first month.

"People walk through the halls and get poster-blindness," student body vice president Trip Foley said. "The fact that this calendar has been used so much shows that there has been a need.

The calendar is unique in that all the clubs, departments and halls have their own password to submit information, which is immediately incorporated in the site. There are currently 301 active users, and Foley said that every day he receives two to three e-mails from another club or academic group that wants to join.

"There is so much to do on campus," said Foley. "People always say that there is nothing to do on campus, but the whole idea of this calendar is that there are things going on.

The calendar provides week, month, day and event views with color-coded organization. There is also a search field to look up specific events or all activities particular to a certain organization or club.

"We designed and created the Web site custom-tailored to student’s needs," said senior Matthew Wilkerson, the former manager of Dome Designs who was hired to create the Web site. "Events are multi-listed because not everything falls equally into one category."

To ensure that the calendar has a complete listing of campus events, freshman web administrator Patrick Longenbaker spends at least an hour every day searching for information to post.

"Believe it or not, many events never make it to an official University calendar," said Longenbaker. "It’s my job to always be on the lookout for advertisements and posters to what is going on." The online calendar has suffered no technical difficulties, and Foley said that the only real issue has been with spreading the word. He informed the admissions office about the new calendar with hopes that they will pass the information onto prospective students.

"It was designed to be a central location for all student events, and we are trying to get as many people to know about this as we can," said Foley. "This calendar is a perfect vehicle to know what is going on in campus, benefiting not only current students, but upcoming students, parents and alumni.

Organizations interested in including their event information on the calendar should e-mail thedome@nd.edu.

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GSU Members finalize 2003 gala

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

The 2002-03 Graduate Student Union board held its final meeting of the year Tuesday. New officers will replace the group when elections are held later this month.

"This is it. The year is over," said GSU president Tim Dale. "I definitely valued all of your input and I hope you stay involved next year. People here have had some good ideas.

GSU members dedicated most of the meeting toward finalizing plans for the charity/year-end gala to be held April 25 at the downtown Marriott. Tickets went on sale this week. As of noon Tuesday, Dale said that approximately 50 of the 400 tickets had been sold.

The event will feature a bar, DJ and a raffle designed to raise money for Immigration and Refugee Services of South Bend. Dale anticipates that the event will raise roughly 4,000 dollars.

"Immigration and Refugee Services is really excited to be working with us," he said.

Dale also encouraged GSU members to attend the event and to recommend it to their friends. Tickets are $5 and available at the laFontrice box office. Transportation to the event will be provided.

In other GSU news:

• Web manager Paul Mueller will run officer elections this year rather than Sebastian Velez. Because Velez’s wife is expecting a baby later this month, he was unable to commit to overseeing the elections.

• Graduate students interested in volunteering at “Health-E-Day,” an event promoting healthy living for Notre Dame graduate students, faculty and staff, should see Ilselher Foelsch, GSU healthcare committee chairperson. Edwards will be available all day today in the LaFontrice Dooley Room to answer questions.

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of being sure. 

"We are very concerned. We watch CNN every night and don't get anything done. He is able to get e-mails out. He tells us everything is fine, although they are very tired. They have got them working hard, flying planes and they don't get to sleep much," said Balka.

The anti-war movement is an issue to which those with family members in the armed services react in different ways. For Poffenberger, the fact that his brother serves in the Middle East has only strengthened his original anti-war sentiments.

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Senior Gabrielle Campo, one of Baxter's students, was the first to become involved in the effort.

"Through this project, we're letting them [troops] know that we support them," Campo said. "Professor Baxter explained to our class how important it is that the troops receive letters of support." Although not all of those involved are pro-war, they agree that support needs to be shown to the men and women overseas.

"I am vehemently opposed to the war, signed a number of petitions against it, but now that we're in it, I believe it's vital to support those who say 'yes' to the country calls," Baxter said.

Campo, along with others, feels that this effort could involve additional students.

"I don't think this is as big as it should be," she said. Sophomore Donna Lubbers is also helping to support troops by enlisting the help of her friends.

"I have three friends overseas right now, and the morale of the unit really goes down when some soldiers are not receiving letters," Lubbers said. "One of them told me, 'If I could find some friends to write generic letters to be sent over.'"

Through friends and classmates, Lubbers and her friends are able to gather nearly 25 letters a week and a care package to be sent overseas.

She is hoping that more people will become involved and plans to send more letters again soon.

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Congress panels back $80 billion for war

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The House and Senate Appropriations committees approved similar bills Tuesday containing nearly $80 billion for initial costs of the war with Iraq and other anti-terrorism efforts, including aid for the nation's struggling airlines.

Both measures exceeded the $74.7 billion that President Bush requested last week for the first three months of the government's budget year. And both Republican-controlled panels weakened the wide latitude he had sought for spending on homeland security, veterans and the war.

Both measures funded a near-$60 billion fund that Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld would have controlled, smaller accounts to be administered by agencies like the Justice and Homeland Security departments were also dismantled or trimmed. "That reflected a long-standing bipartisan legislative resentment of executive branch efforts to usurp Congress' power of the purse," said House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young, R-Fla.

The overwhelming votes of approval — 59-0 in the House committee, 93-0 by the Senate panel — underscored lawmakers' desires to quickly approve the aid while U.S. troops push toward Baghdad. Bush has requested the funds by April 11, and GOP leaders hope the full House and Senate will approve initial versions of the bills this week.

But a series of vetoes and amendments also sought to highlight the pressures many lawmakers feel to increase spending for local law enforcement and emergency agencies.

By a party-line 28-28, the House panel rejected a Democratic effort to add $2.5 billion to the $43.5 billion that measure contains for local police and fire services and other domestic security initiatives, the same as Bush requested.

Rep. Zach Wamp, R-Tenn., said limiting the amount "was necessary to avoid signaling to the states "that there's a bottomless pit in Washington for anything labeled homeland security."

Though Democratic senators offered no amendments to the $4.6 billion in the Senate version, they spoke of trying to add up to $5 billion when the full Senate debates the measure, perhaps beginning Wednesday.

Abortion

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feminist movement understood that women then as well as women now seldom choose abortion freely," said McQuade. "It's a euphemism to call abortion a woman's choice, when she does so out of a lack of practical resources and emotional support.

McQuade also talked about ways to increase a woman's resources and support during an unplanned pregnancy. Those goals included making pre-natal care available to college women and continuing the work of pro-life organizations such as Women's Care Center.

"Ultimately our goal is to make abortion unthinkable and completely unnecessary," said McQuade. "People should refuse to choose because women deserve better than abortion."

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Charges filed in vendetta killing

Associated Press

DETROIT

A man charged Tuesday with shooting a former friend nine times during a church service in an apparent vendetta killing between Albanian-American families had an innocent plea entered on his behalf.

Appearing at times confounded and unresponsive, Gjon Pepaj, 38, listened as charges were read, including premeditated murder, second-degree murder, manslaughter and weapons charges.

The premeditated murder charge carries a maximum sentence of life in prison. Pepaj said "no" several times when asked if he understood his rights. He was not represented by an attorney at the arraignment and was denied bond.

Assistant Prosecutor Kelly Chard argued that Pepaj admitted to shooting 36-year-old Gjek Ibufaj, and said that he bought a gun six years ago that he failed to register and carried at all times.

Additionally, the defendant arrived in the United States in 1991 on a work visa, was not a U.S. citizen and posed both a flight risk and a danger to the community, Chard said. Pepaj was born in the former Yugoslavia, she said.

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Troops clash near Karbala in approach to Baghdad

**Associated Press**

KARBALA

Army ground forces attacked Republican Guard units Thursday near Karbala, 40 miles from Baghdad, part of an effort to dislodge defenders who have kept U.S. forces at bay for days.

The attack on forces near Karbala marked the first major ground battle against Saddam's Republican Guard, and capped a day of aggressive American and British air and artillery actions.

Troops clash near Karbala in approach to Baghdad

**Bishop refuses to accept donation from lay group**

**Associated Press**

**BOSTON**

Bishop Richard Lennon is refusing to accept money from one of his archdiocese's leading critics, saying the lay church reform group is undermining the church's fund-raising efforts.

The leader of Voice of the Faithful said Lennon's decision to decline the $35,000 is "all about power and control," and that other Catholic groups have also refused to accept the money.

"I think that will hurt overall contributions to all Catholic activities," group president Jim Post said. "I think they are going to have a terribly difficult time." 

**Fears of mystery illness delay plane**

**National News Briefs**

Fears of mystery illness delay plane:

Five passengers on a flight from Asia were cleared of a mystery illness. American Airlines Flight 128 from Tokyo to San Jose stopped short of the gate and was flanked by ambulances. The 125 passengers and 14 crew members waited as doctors had cleared all five people hours later, the situation turned into a testament to fears surrounding the little-understood severe acute respiratory syndrome, also known as SARS.

**38 Texas drug convictions thrown out:**

The drug convictions of 38 mostly black defendants from a farm town in Texas Panhandle should be thrown out because they were based on questionable testimony from a single undercover agent accused of racial prejudice, a judge said Tuesday.

**Nun charged with defacing missile silo:**

A Roman Catholic nun representing herself against charges she and two other sisters allegedly defaced a missile silo tearfully told jurors on Tuesday that the peace protest was worthwhile, even if the nuns are convicted. Sisters Ardele Plate, 66, Jackie Hudson, 68 and Carol Gilbert, 55, are accused of breaking into a Minuteman III missile silo site in Colorado's northwestern plains Oct. 6, swinging hammers at it and painting a cross in their own blood on the structure.

**Hijacker surrenders at airport:**

In the second hijacking of a U.S. plane this week, a hijacker claiming to have two grenades surrendered an hour after forcing the aircraft to land in Florida with 32 people aboard. The hijacker was carrying a little boy when he came off the Cuban Airlines plane at the Key West airport and was wearing a red windbreaker with the word "America" stitched in white on the back.
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lighter vehicle with better aerodynamics and thus improved propulsion which could save millions of dollars for the Defense firms like UPS," Caruso said.

Union City Body Company in Livermore and A B L Manufacturing and Abac, Missouri, who are funding the project, have provided the design scale with the truck that they want to be redesigned.

“Design” refers to how it will use the truck’s market power by making the truck appeal to a variety of industries, so we have to see how the truck could be useful for everyone from a baker to a UPS delivery man,” Villalvazo said.

Talking about the difference in design and technology, Down expressed his disatisfaction at the fact that people often get confused between the design process and the actual technological process. “The point with the industrial design students is that they are designing the engine,” he said. “They want to produce a truck with good looks and a handsome design. Our task is not to create the technology but to give form to the technology.”

Paul Down art professor

The point with the industrial design students is that they are designing the engine. They (design students) want to create a vehicle with good looks and a handsome design. Our task is not to create the technology but to give form to the technology.

Within the United Nations Program, said Down, the new definition is known as AIDS. We are seeing a redefinition of famine, of humanitarian aid groups and donors, population and erratic weather to war. bad governance, corruption, and epidemic losses to HIV, said Down. He said that over the many years of experience he has had in the design school, he has noticed more collaboration between the design school and engineering schools and business school.

There is a better understanding between them,” Down said.

Within the project from a year before, Kwajal worked with the marketing department on a project last year with Whirlpool Corp. At the mention of some projects, Down expressed his desire that more collaboration could exist between the various schools of the University, even leading to the creation of joint degrees.

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ZAMBIA

Group says hunger will continue

Associated Press

About 38 million Africans are threatened by starvation this year from a food crisis that rivals the one that struck the continent last year because of AIDS.

Relief workers say the devas­ tation from AIDS is combining with the effects of poverty, war, bad governance, corruption, and erratic weather to cripple the ability of societies in sub-Saharan Africa to recover from famine.

“The stark message is this crisis is not going to go away. We are seeing a food cri­ sis,” said Brenda Barton, the World Food Program spokes­ woman in Nairobi, Kenya.

“We are seeing a redefinition of famine, of humanitarian crises as we know them,” she said.

Within the United Nations that new definition is known as “new variant famine.” It means that despite the best efforts of aid groups and donors, population in HIV-infected rural villages is wrecking agriculture, economies and health systems.

Some 29 million people in sub-Saharan Africa are infect­ed with HIV, about 20 percent of the world’s total. Overall, 9 percent of adults in the region of sub-Saharan Africa are infected, but the rate ranges up to 30 percent in some places. In those countries life expectancy has already fallen into the single digits because of the growing pandemic.

In the last 20 years, the United Nations says, AIDS has killed more than 8 million people in sub-Saharan Africa. It has killed the breeder in million of families, devastated poor rural villages, orphaned 4.2 million children.

“It is driving another stake into the heart of the poor. How do you recover when no one is alive to plant the food?” said Barton.

“What you are seeing is the humiliation of society,” she added. “We have not seen the peak of the HIV/AIDS statistics. We have not seen the worst of it.”

In fertile fields around Chimbombo, 90 kilometers (55 miles) north of Lusaka, Zambia’s capital, a U.S.-gov­ ernment-funded aid group, the Cooperative of the U.S.A., teaches subsistence farmers techniques for dealing with drought and increasing crop yields.

Behind one rumshackle house a small boy hakes at the reluctant earth with a long­ handled hoe. His mother, Freda Sic­halwe, walks through tall, uneven rows of healthy corn. She says the new meth­ods have increased the yield from her small plot fivefold. After the harvest, she will no longer need food aid for her family of six and will also have some corn to sell.

Kinston Munkonze, of the Cooperative League, said 500 of the farmers he works with around Chimbombo have shown similar gains. The other 390 have at least doubled their crops, he said.

All over Africa, humanitarian groups work tirelessly to use food aid to pay for agricultural improvements and maintain farm families while they learn new techniques. They also try to introduce new dough­nurt resistant crops in some places, lower the need for imported food and improve market conditions.

Despite limited successes, relief efforts are like spitting in the wind, said Renny Nanchol, the Southern Africa food security coordinator for the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies.

“Time and cooperation is ever going to dent such a huge cri­sis,” Nanchol said. “It is real­ly getting out of control.”

Freda Cupper, the program director for the aid group CARE in Zambia, agreed. “We need a unified strategy and we do not have one,” she said.

Donor response to the current food crisis has been ad­quate so far, but aid workers worry that the war in Iraq and humanitarian needs elsewhere may cut into the help coming to Africa.

“We have prevented a cata­strophe, but the crisis is far from over,” said Barton.

With this crisis, aid groups find they must feed increasing numbers of orphans in major urban centers who simply can’t afford to buy food.

Suffering talk ends Lenten Lecture series

Evelyn Whitehead said, “truth about vulnerability, human con­ nectedness and human compas­ sion.

The couple presented these truths as a redemptive aspect of suffering. “Compasion is a new level of consciousness that brings a new way of acting towards people.”

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James Whitehead offered a method of dealing with suffer­ing, in self and in others. “Redemption of suffering comes through empathy and prayer,” he said.

Evelyn Whitehead lecturer

The Council for Spirituality has an endowment from the Sisters of the Holy Cross to fund this annual lecture series.

Suffering sometimes opens us to a wider embrace of the truth.”

Evelyn Whitehead lecturer

By NATALIE BAILEY

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Airline aid package proposed

**White House may oppose $3.2 billion package**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House Republican leaders want to give airlines $3.2 billion to offset additional costs from national security and terrorism, more than the Senate but still less than what airlines want.

The House and Senate appropriations committees passed their proposals on Tuesday as part of the spending plan for the next fiscal year.

Both airline-relief plans may be too much for the White House, which said it is inclined to allow market forces to shrink the industry.

The Bush Administration may oppose any package that's more than $1 billion, said Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Ted Stevens, R-Alaska.

"I haven't got any reason to believe they'll accept it," Stevens said.

Traffic Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta, an advocate of limited help for the airlines, said the votes "show that a considerable gulf remains between Congress and the administration regarding the amount and structure of this assistance."

Both proposals would freeze airline executive pay at 2002 levels, and an amended Senate version would extend unemployment insurance for workers for a total to taxpayers of $2.7 billion.

"Most people are very upset over what they consider to be excessive compensations for some executives," said Rep. Martin Sabo, D-Minn., who proposed limits from war and terrorism.

Sabo said Delta Airlines' chief executive, Richard Mullen, received almost $13 million last year, while 16,000 company employees lost their jobs.

Airlines are experiencing the worst downturn since the beginning of manned flight because of terrorism fears, the war in Iraq, overcapacity, mismanagement and high labor costs, airline analysts say. Since the war began, 10,000 airline jobs have been cut, according to industry estimates.

The airlines began a lobbying campaign in March to get $9 billion in tax relief but changed their approach to try for $4 billion in reimbursement for security costs when Congress seemed uninterested in the original plan.

Rep. Norman Dicks, D-Wash., supports the proposal. "If we saved Chrysler and New York City, it's time we start thinking about saving America's airlines," he said.

But Rep. David Obey, D-Wis., complained that the airlines come to the government for bailouts every couple of years. He said this was the last time he'd vote to give the industry a dime.

Eleven days after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, the airlines succeeded in getting $5 billion in cash and a $10 billion loan guarantee program from Congress.

"Darrell Jenkins, head of General Washington University's Aviation Institute, said that bailout merely prolonged the industry's agony. "We keep coming up with these bailouts, and we artificially prop up someone who shouldn't be propped up," Jenkins said.

Both House and Senate plans are bigger than the $2 billion proposal, not including war-risk insurance, agreed last week by Senate leaders.

The $3.2 billion House plan relieves airlines of security fees until Sept. 30 and reimburses them for the security costs they've paid since the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Security charges include the passenger security tax of up to $10 per round-trip ticket, which the airlines are expected to pocket.

"This is just an immense amount of money," said Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., a senior member of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

American Airlines and American Eagle workers protest March 12 outside New York's LaGuardia Airport regarding financial woes in the companies.

**IN BRIEF**

**American Airlines** will lay off 2,500 American Airlines will lay off 2,500 pilots over the next year as it cuts costs in hopes of staving off bankruptcy, union officials said Tuesday. About 21 percent of America's 12,000 pilots will lose their jobs, with cuts beginning at the bottom of the seniority ladder. Pilots can be recalled within two years if the airline, the world's largest, adds jobs.

The cuts were announced by officials with the Allied Pilots Association, which has agreed to $660 million in annual concessions to help save the company from bankruptcy.

**Kroger employees reject final offer**

A union representing workers at 13 Kroger grocery stores in California has rejected what the company said was its best and final offer.

The company said it had won federal approval of two heart defibrillators and plans to sell a million acquisition of company developing heart treatment technology.

Indianapolis-based Guidant said the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved its Ventak Prizm defibrillator, which is expected to reach the market before the end of June.

Guidant also won FDA approval of its new Prizm defibrillator, an addition to the existing line of defibrillators. Defibrillators electrically jolt the heart back into rhythm in case of cardiac arrest. The Vitality and the Ventak Prizm function in the same manner, but the Vitality is about the size of a large matchbox and is smaller than competing products, Guidant spokesman Annette Ruzicka said. The Ventak Prizm is about the size of a pager.

Guidant also plans to acquire a startup company developing a new type of heart stent that can be absorbed by body tissue following restoration of blood flow in patients with coronary artery disease. Stents are tiny metal-mesh tubes inserted into coronary arteries to prop them open after surgery.

Guidant is buying a naming venture founded by Synerget, a medical technology company.

Guidant has purchased a 51 percent stake in the new company for $10 million, and plans to buy the remaining interest in early 2004 provided certain conditions are met. Guidant also will make payments if regulatory milestones are achieved.

The deal is the third recent acquisition by Guidant aimed at improving its position in the emerging market for next-generation stents that are coated with drugs to prevent scar tissue formation in arteries.

**American Airlines and American Eagle**
Moussaoui defense lawyers ask for access to witness

WASHINGTON

Lawyers for accused terror conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui asked an appeals court this week to uphold a ruling that granted the defendant access to an al-Qaida prisoner.

Moussaoui had the right to file his own arguments separately, since he's representing himself while court-appointed attorneys represent his interests.

Accused of conspiring with the Sept. 11 attackers, the trial of Moussaoui, a French citizen, is on hold while the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond, Va., investigates a conflict between national security and a defendant's right to access to favorable information or drop the prosecution.

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Bush launches plan to prevent recession

WASHINGTON

The Bush administration has embarked on a campaign to keep the war in Iraq from pushing the country back into a recession.

A "watch group" of the administration's top policy-makers began holding daily meetings, even before the war started two weeks ago in an effort to stay on top of developments in world financial markets, global oil markets and the U.S. economy.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan has also been a participant in the sessions, which have been chaired by Stephen Friedman, the director of the president's National Economic Council.

In addition to these strategy sessions, the White House is dispatching various Cabinet secretaries around the country to sell the president's economic stimulus package. The Senate voted last week to cut the price of the package in half.

"We are watching the economy through this period, keeping a close eye on energy prices and making sure that we are all talking to each other," Commerce Secretary Donald Evans, one of the participants in the White House meetings, said in an interview Tuesday.

Friedman's staff have developed a "dashboard" of key economic indicators. They update it throughout the day so all members of the team can keep apprised of any changes in economic or market conditions, according to a senior administration official.

"We have been looking for any economic warning signs that might start to flow from developments in Iraq," said the official, who agreed to be interviewed on condition of anonymity.

"The purpose of this group is to look for early warning signs," Stock markets in recent weeks have been on a rollercoaster ride, soaring in the days immediately before the bombing — when investors hoped for a short and quick U.S. victory — and then declining as those hopes were dashed.

Even with all the administration efforts, analysts said the United States could still end up in another recession if the Iraq war drags on.

"We will be in a full-blown recession if the war isn't effectively resolved in the next two to three months," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com. "Confidence is falling, layoffs are mounting and troubled industries like the airlines are gasping for air," said Sherry Cooper, chief global economic strategist for BMO Financial Group.

The administration's watch group has been monitoring all of these developments, holding daily "briefings at 6 a.m." that the Cabinet secretaries educate the others about particular areas of expertise, then cutting back to meetings several times each week.

In addition to Evans, other Cabinet members who have been participating include Treasury Secretary John Snow, Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham and Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta.

Israel: Plan must be adapted

Israel's foreign minister said Tuesday the United States is determined to publish a Middle East peace plan soon, but Israel would seek changes before accepting it.

The Israeli opposition leader, Amram Mitnitz, and Palestinian officials said Israel effectively is rejecting the plan, a three-stage "road map" to Palestinian statehood by 2005.

The Americans are "determined to publish the road map," the foreign minister, Silvan Shalom, told Israel's Army Radio on Tuesday, a day after meeting with President Bush at the White House.

Shalom laid down a number of conditions for continuing talks with the Palestinians and said "that the road map needs to be adapted." Israel repeatedly has said it cannot accept the final version, which is based on a policy speech he delivered June 24, but did not embrace the road map drawn up by the "Quartet" — the United States, the European Union, Russia and the United Nations — outlining implementation of that vision.

A diplomatic source said on condition of anonymity that Quartet officials would meet in Brussels, Belgium, on Thursday to discuss the possible publication of the road map and how to monitor compliance by both sides.

The source said the monitoring mechanism was expected to be a point of contention.

"We expect that after the road map is published the first thing Quartet officials [in Jerusalem] must do is halt the terror and the incitement," Shalom said. "If the conditions are met, Israel would be a "true partner," exploring all roads to peace."

The United States and Britain have said the road map would be unveiled after the new Palestinian prime minister, Mahmoud Abbas, and his Cabinet are sworn in probably sometime this month.

Palestinian leaders met with U.S. representatives Tuesday and were told by acting U.S. envoy Zvi Feidenman that the United States would set up a "monitoring mechanism" to make sure the road map was implemented when the Palestinian government started functioning, said Nabil Shaath, Palestinian planning minister.

"The United States also warned that there would be another push for a road map similar to a draft presented last year, with no last-minute changes," Shaath said.

There was no immediate comment from U.S. officials.

The road map envisions a Palestinian state in provisional borders by the end of the year. After a cease-fire is in place, President Bush announced Israel's full commitment and acceptance of the road map. In reality saying "no,"" Mitnitz, the Labor Party chairman, said he suspected the Israeli government was playing a "game.

"This is a recipe to say 'yes,' while in reality saying 'no,'" Mitnitz told Army Radio.

Also Tuesday, Israeli troops demolished the homes of five suspected Palestinian militants, including one who blew himself up in coastal Nataiya over the weekend. Forces in the West Bank village of Deir Ghassoon destroyed the home of 28-year-old Rami Ibrahim, the Israeli army said.

Islamic Jihad said the bombing, the first since the U.S.-led war in Iraq began, was a "gift" to the Iraqi people and vowed to increase its attacks against Israel during the war.

The group also said it sent suicide bombers to Iraq to help fight American and British soldiers.

In the Al Amari refugee camp near Ramallah, troops demolished four homes belonging to four suspected militants from the Naji family.

The four were members of the Al Aqua Martyrs Brigade, a faction that declared allegiance with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah faction.

The Naji family is accused of carrying out and plotting a series of attacks in and around Ramallah, the army said.

They participated in a March 4 suicide bombing attack in a Tel Aviv restaurant that killed three people, and another another in Jerusalem in February 2002 in which a police officer was killed, the army said.

Jury convicts two on terrorism

Two Algerian men were convicted Tuesday of plotting to raise money for terrorist activities and sentenced to 11 years in prison.

Brahim Benmerzouga, 31, and Baghdad Meziane, 38, raised hundreds of thousands of dollars through credit card fraud for an international network of terrorists planning a holy war against the West, prosecutors said.

The nine-member jury returned the verdict after five days of deliberation in the court in Leicester in central England.

"You have not directly taken life or seriously injured anyone, but the terrorists, in order to carry out their terrible killings and mutilations, need money, false papers and military style materials. You both provided terrorists with the support and raised well-organized and secretive cells," Justice Richard Curtis said after the verdict.

During the trial, prosecutors said the men had used a propaganda paganda identical to that of Osama bin Laden's Al-Qaeda network, advocating a holy war against "the Americans, the Jews, and their Christian allies.

Both illegal immigrants to Britain, the two were convicted of plotting the proceedings into Arabic.

They were convicted of entering into a funding arrangement for the purposes of terrorism.

According to trial testimony, Benmerzouga and Meziane were in Leicester on their way to training camps, according to court testimony.

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Support men and women in uniform

I would like to dedicate this column to my dear friend, Patrick O'Brien, whose courage and sacrifice for his country and the Vietnam War earned him a Navy Cross and the admiration of all who knew him. I love you Pat.

Doc Brown told me that he doesn't believe we need to see chaos. I should go to the '60s. I'm not much for listening in history classes, so I guess I'll go and check it out firsthand.

That crazy man. He travels through the sky. He travels through the Gulf War and earned him a Navy Cross and the admiration of all who knew him. I love you Pat.

Adam Cahill

A Domer's Outlook

I'm not too keen on monopoly. I'm not too keen on violence. Those poor soldiers. They don't have the support they deserve for risk living for me. It's about time I showed them some love. Politics have been decided, the war is started, let's support our heroes in uniform.

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Prayer and love offered for troops

The headline of a Viewpoint article Tuesday declared, "You can't be pro-troops and anti-war." In a certain sense, that's entirely true. I believe the current war is unjust, thus, logically, I cannot in good conscience give my approval to what the troops in Iraq are doing. I sincerely wish they weren't there.

But it is for their sake as well as for the sake of the Iraqi soldiers and civilians that I wish our troops were not there, and I pray daily for their safety and for a quick end to this war. I have a much greater and deeper love for soldiers since this war started and since I became part of the peace movement a year ago.

Even while I disagree strenuously with the methods the troops have chosen to bring peace to the world, I respect and admire them for the sacrifice, devotion and love with which they live out their military lives.

I cannot condemn soldiers for the choices they make in good conscience; I only hope to inform their consciences in a different way and persuade them to choose another path. That's what I'm doing when I protest, when I wear a white armband for peace everywhere I go, when I post signs saying "No War in Iraq" in my windows. That's what I'll be doing when I protest the Review later this month. I am not attempting to condemn any person, and I am not attempting to generate hate and discord. I am trying to convince conscientious men and women that the path they have chosen will not lead to true peace.

I have a few friends who are in ROTC, and I love them dearly. In truth, they are one of the most significant reasons I have for protesting the war: I don't want Erik to go to Iraq and never come back. I don't want Chris to take part in an unjust action. I don't want Peter's soul to be coarsened and embittered by war. I feel if the country I would die to defend it's time to go to Iraq and never come back. I don't want to turn my head off. So, I turn on the television only to hear the words of a CNN news anchor tell me that hundreds of anti-war protesters had been arrested. I looked at the calendar on my wall:

2003: Jump out of my chair quickly and try to get the restroom in time. It's no use. Vomits is all over the place. I'm guilt-ridden and dumbfounded.

Now I know that history does repeat itself. There are no support policies. They don't have the support they deserve for risking their lives for me. It's about time I showed them some love. Politics have been decided, the war is started, let's support our heroes in uniform.

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April 1

Support men and women in uniform
The Catholic Church is having a spot of trouble transforming its current Millennium. Donations are down and seminaries are emptying of students. Yet one thing is contributing to the Church’s decline: Mass. Now Mass has been long considered the most sacred of holy days of the holidays. But man can live on meat and potatoes for only so long. It’s time for all you Catholic diners to face the facts: Mass is boring.

Some of you out there may disagree. You may say that it energizes you, refreshes you or helps you get ready for your work. Good for you — you’re living. You’re just as bored as the rest of us. It’s time to admit it and move on.

But have no fear. I’m not here just to tear down — I wish to rebuild. There’s something I hope you’ve noticed that a bit of snazzy marketing can’t fix. It’s a single-handedly sad turn for Catholicism.

First, let’s talk about the general tone of the service. Most Catholic Masses are held in poorly lit churches where the organ is on cold, uncomfortable benches and is surrounded by stained glass depicting scenes of death and mayhem, all while being serenaded by the most depressing minor-key pipe organ music. Nearby in the pews, a world of beauty.

Now, a world of beauty doesn’t say, “Hey come here and celebrate your faith!” It says, “Hey, how can your family here and scar your children for life?”

The first thing the Vatican can do to spice things up is take a cue from the world of professional sports. First, altar boys go. Replaced by cheerleaders and possibly a mascot. Crossy the Cruftix can entertain the kiddies with his wacky antics and toss out T-shirts and the like while the cheerleaders assist the priest by directing the congregation to start “The Wave” at key moments.

Gone also is the standard glass — it’s now covered by banners trumpeting bingo championship titles and sporting the retired vestments of some of the more celebrated parish priests of the past. The pipe organ can stay, but the music should be replaced by a band to play only three songs: “Baby Elephant Walk,” “The Mexican Hat Dance,” and the always popular, “Da-da-da-dah-da-da-Charger!”

The sports should be carried into all aspects of the service. At the moment of consecration, instead of tiny bells ringing, someone in the crowd will sound an air horn. And, after a successful homily, the priest can spit the Bible and do the Dirty Bird dance. If he’s feeling extra ostentatious, he can pull a Sharpie out of his sock and sign the hymn book for a fan in the front row.

So, now that we’ve kicked the atmosphere up a notch, we need to work on what I think is a major shortcoming: the food. I still remember my First Communion. As I took that sacred wafer and put it in my mouth, I remember thinking one thing: “Wow, the Body of Christ needs a little sauce. I don’t think we’ve done that right there.”

Godbites, anyone?

Clinton critique irrational

In this time of crisis, I find myself dissecting a variety of opinions for the war, against the war, and all points in between. Often these arguments are fraught with inaccuracies, unfounded conclusions and contradictions in terms. No opinion was as shocking and disappointing as the stance taken by Mr. Somma in his letter entitled, “It would be worse without Bush.” As a supporter of President Bush, I find myself loath to fight against global terrorism and a person who was not elected to the last election. I feel that there are some key points of Mr. Somma’s letter that need to be addressed.

Mr. Somma, while supporting Bush, argues, “What if the attack of Sept. 11 had occurred during Bill Clinton’s administration?” Or even worse, Al Gore’s?

There is no doubt that President Bush made the right decisions following Sept. 11, but to argue that Al Gore or Bill Clinton would not have responded in a similar fashion is an indefensible and argument on the assumption that one person who was never placed in a given situation would have failed or performed poorly is an unwarranted leap.

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In closing, Mr. Somma states, “The art of diplomacy is only as strong as the clenched fist that backs it up.” I would hope that an administration that chose to use force to stop terrorism today will not become the measuring stick by which we judge our government’s foreign policy, especially in the case of North Korea and Iran, will be measured. Personally, I long for the day when the tightly clenched fist is loosened into the open hand, and the United States can reach down and assist the struggling people of this world.

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Bienvenidos a Fiesta Tapatia

Fiesta Tapatia in Mishawaka offers authentic, inexpensive Mexican food

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN
Assistant Scene Editor

Fiesta Tapatia is a pleasant dining experience, yet not quite exciting enough to distinguish itself from other everyday Mexican restaurants.

The evidence of the quality of its self-proclaimed “authentic Mexican food” is seen in the fact that the patronage of the restaurant seemed to be comprised mostly of regulars who enjoyed relaxing in the casual family atmosphere. Many of the patrons were also of Latin American heritage, adding to the authentic feel immediately perceived when one walks through the door.

The quickness of the restaurant to take orders and to bring out the food made the experience even more enjoyable.

The Atmosphere

The décor inside is as brightly colored as the exterior (the restaurant is unassuming in size and locale, but shout “Look at me, look at me!” with its bold stripes). The bright, bold colors brighten up the dining room to aid the patron into the authentic feeling emanating from the restaurant and its employees.

Pictorial evidence of birthday fun is displayed on a wall covered with snapshots of sombrero-ed celebrants. Walls decorated with of tapes­tries, paintings and pictures of Mexican origins gives the patron a feeling of being warped to Mexico to dine for the meal.

Vine plants also adorn the small restaurant and the Latin music is soothing and inconspicuous until the Spanish version of “Achy-Breaky Heart” starts playing. This actually happened. All of these qualities combined provide a unique experience of Mexico right near campus.

The Menu

The menu offers typical cuisine expected of Mexican restaurants with a helpful list of descriptions to distinguish between a tamale and an enchilada for those not experienced enough to know.

The best aspect of the menu is not the many variations of nachos (with cheese, with beans, with beef, with chicken) or the various low-fat options (chicken quesadilla appetizer, chicken dinners like Mole Poblano and Chalupa Tijana) but the low, low prices for plates full of food.

The average price of an entrée ranges from $5 to $8, easily afford­able for the typical college student.

The Cuisine

Be warned not to indulge in the free chips and salsa until the wait­ress brings you water. While it’s not the hottest salsa, the drinks might come some time later.

Besides the usual alcoholic drinks and soft drinks, there are also deli­cious fruit-flavored Jarritos. These bottled Mexican sodas come in fun flavors like lime, guava, mandarin, strawberry and tamarindo.

The “famous” fajitas are excellent, and can be made with combinations of chicken, shrimp or steak and onions, bell peppers and tomatoes. The burritos and enchiladas are served buried under mounds of lettuce, sour cream and tomatoes, but are also tasty once you find them.

Most lunch and dinner specials include generous portions of Spanish rice and refried beans.

For vegetarians, there is a fairly extensive list of meatless choices that has a selection of bean and cheese versions of the combination dinners.

In case someone is craving fajitas during Lent, there are mushroom fajitas as well.

On the other end of the spectrum, there is Steak a la Tampiquena, which consists of T-Bone steak served with rice, refried beans, tortillas and tossed salad with sliced avocado, onions and lime.

Desserts

To top off the meal, there are crispy, honey-drizzled sopapillas. There is also creamy flan, which is fried ice cream.

The Experience

Out of the dishes tasted, all of them were appetizing and worth a try. Fiesta Tapatia seems to be the Mexican translation of a home-cook­ing diner that isn’t as famous or flashy as a chain restaurant, but has loyal diners nonetheless for its cooking.

Fiesta Tapatia would be a great place to throw a party. The atmos­phere is perfect and the prices just right to invite a bunch of amigos and fiesta down.

For authentic Mexican minus the big bucks, check out Fiesta Tapatia and enjoy the food as well as the atmosphere.

Fiesta Tapatia is located at 119 W. McKinley Ave. in Mishawaka and available for dine-in, order ahead, carry-out or pick-up at the window. Hours are from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Sunday. For more informa­tion, call the restaurant at (574) 258-4202.

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The Hipster Handbook

A guide to the ins and outs of an almost inexplicable culture

By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

Hipster - HIP-stur'-iyn. One who possesses tastes, social attitudes and opinions deemed cool by the cool.

Everyone has seen these people. They frequent coffee shops and college campuses; they listen to the newest music and they would never be caught dead drinking Natty Light — unless of course they do it to be ironically mainstream.

For anyone who has ever wanted to be a hipster, or at least understand how one works, "The Hipster Handbook" is here to help. Author Richard Lanham operates on the theory that everybody, even the most unconventional of people, fits into a category. And he proves himself right with observations that are uncannily accurate.

Far from being a mere collection of incorrect outsider stereotypes, Lanham's book may provide a few shocks even to hipsters themselves who glance behind the covers. With a few exceptions, "The Hipster Handbook" will let you in on the dress, attitudes, lingo and subcategories of society's rock star-children pseudo-outsiders.

How to identify a hipster

According to Lanham, this basically involves evaluating your tastes and deciding if they are sufficiently classy yet non-traditional. Do you prefer the uncombed look to your hair? Do you spend your time in bars with monosyllabic names like Plant or Shine? Do you routinely abbreviate "postmodern" to "PoMo?" You may very possibly be a hipster. If you listen to the Dave Matthews Band while driving in your SUV, you are probably not.

Even if you fit nowhere within Lanham's specifications of a hipster, it's worth reading further into the book. You may spot some of your best friends among the hipster pop culture. These non-hipsters are considered 'fin.'

Hipster personality types

From the facially pierced Waitstaff and Service Hipsters or WASHies who serve your coffee to baggy pants wearing skateboarding Teeters to trampoline music and anime character loving Clubbers, Lanham has the Hipsters pegged.

The handbook not only describes the backgrounds, pastimes and life ambitions of all the types, but tells you how to go about dating them. As tricky as dating such a picky group of people may seem, it may not actually be that difficult.

"Teeters regularly sleep on their friends' couches or live at home with their parents, so having a place of your own can be very alluring to them," says Lanham. "If you have food in your fridge, the Teeter's eyes will fill with amore!"

Hipster pastimes

Hipsters prefer football to football and will never be found at sports bars, but like a good many non-hipsters, hold drinking as one of their most cherished activities. They are more likely to be found at complete dives which they find appealingly kitschy or at lounges with asymmetrical couches. Hipsters are also likely to be found drinking Cosmopolitans or Bloody Marys and smoking Camels or Lucky Strikes.

Some Hipsters, especially the Loners reminiscent of Daria with unrecognisably large glasses, do not enjoy being around people at all and would rather stay in and watch obscure movies from the seventies. When trying to socialize with these people, it is wise not to exhibit great amounts of self-confidence.

Hipster lingo

Unfortunately, Lanham's dictionary of hipster vocabulary includes very few terms used by actual people. You may in the know using "deck" instead of "cool" and referring to beers as "bronzos," no one else will be, so it's a moot point.

Hipster hairdos

Hairstyles, and facial hairstyles, are a quintessential part of any hipster's image which must be carefully considered. Although a hipster might look deck with a moustache at first, eventually he will only start to look like a used car salesman. The handbook provides a meticulous guide to which hairstyles can surprisingly be effective and how and when to wear them.

Although some outdated hairstyles can have a kitschy effect, including the "mulletude," make sure to note the handbook's tips on which ones miss the mark of ironic and just look stupid. The flock of seagulls look, for example, is never good.

Lanham's book both glorifies and mocks hipster culture with its insights on what people like as well as why people like, all those things considered part of hipster culture. The book is not a criticism on any particular person, hipster or otherwise, but capitalizes on the social stereotypes that people often hope to leave behind but rarely entirely do. Whether you're looking through to recognize yourself or someone on the street, "The Hipster Handbook" can provide a window into another point of view, the goal of any good book. Ultimately, however, it is mostly just good for laughs.

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HOUSTON

The Houston Astros wanted more offense. Jeff Kent and Andy Pettitte gave it to them immediately.

Kent homered in his first at-bat for Houston and Pettitte tossed seven strong innings and the Astros roughed up NL Rookie of the Year Jason Jennings.

"I didn't feel great," said Pettitte after pitching his first complete game since 1997. "The first inning was a little easier to go through."

Kent and Pettitte made you feel great. Bagwell had a great game, too, "so say the least.""}

"I did not want to come down," Kent said. "As long as I've been in the game, I know enough that you don't get off to a bad start. So for all things that came together for me tonight, it means a lot."

Roy Oswalt pitched seven strong innings and the Astros routed up NL Rookie of the Year Jason Jennings in their first home opener since their stadium was renamed Minute Maid Park.

Kent finished 3-for-5 and scored twice. Bagwell hit a three-run homer and a two-run shot, while Geoff Blum also homered and knocked in three runs.

"Kent had a fine game," manager Larry Dierker said. "He made the first strike and certainly has to make you feel great. Bagwell's a great game, too, so say the least.""

The Astros piled up 14 hits, including six runs off Jennings in the third inning.

Bagwell's 27th career multi-hit game made him the second player in franchise history to hit more than one home run in a season opener. Rookie Jeff Bagwell and Lance Berkman were the last two NL teams to start the season with a six-run third inning.

Oswalt, who walked 19-9 last season with a 3.01 ERA, held the Rockies to two hits and two runs — one earned. Jennings gave up eight runs and knocked in three in four innings.

Kemble homered over the right-field fence off Jennings in the second inning. Bernnie Williams led off the third with a four straight hits — singles by Oswalt and Craig Biggio, a two-run double by Blum and a two-run homer by Bagwell. An RBI double by Richard Hidalgo and a sacrifice fly by Brad Ausmus completed the big inning for a 7-2 lead.

"He just couldn't make any pitches when he had to," Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said of Jennings. "The thing you worry about is Jason is that he's not going to take it to heart. We know that he's ready to go back out there.""

Biggio, an All-Star and Gold Glove winner at second base, played his first game of the season in center field. He agreed to move to make room for Kent.

Precision Wilson doubled and scored on a second-inning single by Jose Hernandez, who drove in Colorado.

"A throwing error by Kent in the third inning allowed a run to score," Spivey said."

Yankees 10, Blue Jays 3

Kent's third-inning grand slam and Andy Pettitte's seven-inning night, the Yankees got the Rockies' biggest two runs of the year in the fifth inning for a 7-2 lead.

The Rockies got two more runs off Bruce Chen on an RBI triple by Larry Walker and a single by Wilson. An RBI double by Richard Hidalgo in the sixth inning gave the Astros a 9-2 lead.

Kent left the game in the third inning, giving up a run on Alvarez's RBI double to make it 9-3. He allowed four runs on four hits over seven innings. He said he was "a little bit behind in the second inning and I realized I had to go to the pen and get a break."

Hurdle made the second change of the night.

The Blue Jays last homered for the first time since 1981, and the third time in team history.

Diamondbacks 5, Dodgers 4

As they circled the bases, it could be up to four seats for a customer's draft.
**NCAA BASKETBALL**

Howland might leave Pitt for UCLA as soon as today

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

The arena isn’t as nice, the money would be about the same, and the players — at least now — wouldn’t be as good. All those disadvantages apparently won’t prevent Pittsburgh coach Ben Howland from leaving for UCLA.

Howland, who met with UCLA officials Sunday, was talking about a contract Tuesday, and it wasn’t with Pitt. Sources close to Howland said his negotiating representatives were finalizing the details that would make him the Bruins’ next coach — UCLA’s eighth since John Wooden coached them to 10 national championships from 1964-75.

Pitt was willing to improve the $5.9 million, seven-year contract Howland signed only last year, but the sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there were no discussions between Howland and the school Tuesday.

The Los Angeles Times reported on its Web site Tuesday that Howland would be introduced as UCLA’s coach as early as Wednesday, follow­ing a meeting with chancellor Albert C. Car­mena. UCLA sports information director Marc Delliott declined to comment on the report.

That would follow the time­line Howland spelled out Monday when he met with his Pitt players and told them he was leaving Pitt. On Thursday, when he’s leaving, for the Final Four in New Orleans.

Howland was an avowed UCLA fan while growing up in Baltimore — he played at Cerritos College — and only last week he called the position with the Bruins his “dream job.”

Howland is nearing the upper echelon of Division I coaching salaries. Pitt is willing to guarantee him about $1.1 million per year, and UCLA cannot substantial­ly improve on that.

However, it can offer the pres­ence of one of the most storied coaching jobs in any sport, a more fertile recruiting base than Pittsburgh and a greater opportunity for ancillary income, such as commercial endorsements.

Howland’s biggest concern about UCLA appeared to be the arena issue. While Pitt just opened a $96 million, luxury­laden arena that is one of the best in college basketball, UCLA has spent decades in Pauley Pavilion, which is filled with history but lacking in amenities.

Howland said last week that Pauley needs substantial upgrades that might force the Bruins to play one season off­campus. However, lining up the money for an up­graded arena at a state-supported university might prove difficult in the immediate future, especially given the current economic climate.

Howland also wants to take his assistant coaches to UCLA, two of whom — Jamie Dixon and Chris Carlson — are native South­ern Californians. Dixon, however, is under consider­ation for the Wright State and Illinois State jobs, and he might be a top candidate should Howland leave.

Dixon is Howland’s top recruiter — Pitt’s incoming class of four recruits is by far the best under Howland — and also handled some of the coach­ing in practice.

While Howland weighed his tough decision, Pitt also faces one with his impending depar­ture. The school would have to decide whether it can afford to hand over the job to a promising but untested assistant coach such as Dixon, an on-the-rise coach like Howland was 1999, or an established winner who’s already a head coach.

Howland’s departure would be Pitt’s second major person­nel loss in only four months. Athletic director Steve Pederson left for alma mater Nebraska in December after overhauling Pitt’s athletic program. He made numerous personnel changes, built the new basket­ball arena and football practice facility, and tore down Pitt Stadium, moving the Panthers’ home football games to Heinz Field.

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**BOXING**

Tyson and Lewis could fight June 21, but not each other

Associated Press

Mike Tyson and Lennox Lewis may fight in the same ring June 21 — just not against each other.

Talks are under way for the two heavyweights to appear in separate fights of a heavy­weight doubleheader, perhaps in Buffalo, N.Y.

Possible opponents for Lewis include No. 1-ranked Vitali Klitschko, Kirk Johnson or Buffalo’s Joe Mesi. Tyson’s fight would be against someone along the lines of his last opponent, perhaps a fading Oleg Maskev.

Lewis had been hoping to fight Tyson, but Tyson has been saying that he needs at least two more fights before he challenges Lewis for the title again. Lewis gave Tyson a beating last June before finally stopping him in the eighth round in Memphis.

Though Lewis has a contract calling for a Tyson rematch, talks are being held for the two fighters to appear on the same card and push the rematch back to a later date.

“We’re trying to work that out,” said Shelly Finkel, Tyson’s manager. “That’s part of the ongoing negotiations.”

If Mesi is on the card — whether against Lewis, Tyson or someone else — the fight would be big in Buffalo, where the undefeated local heavy­weight is a huge attraction.

If it was held in Buffalo, it likely would be outdoors at Rich Stadium where the Buffalo Bills play.

Representatives of the two camps are also looking at other sites, including Las Vegas.

Lewis hasn’t fought since beating Tyson last June, and there has been increasing speculation that the 37-year­old WBC champion really doesn’t want to fight anyone. Lewis backed out of a pro­posed April bout with Klitschko, saying he wanted to wait and fight Tyson in June instead.

Tyson, though, said after stopping Clifford Etienne in 49 seconds Feb. 22 in Memphis that he needed more fights before taking on Lewis again.

Despite efforts to get him to change his mind, both the Tyson and Lewis camps are now reconciled to the fact the two heavyweights will not meet each other in June.

Klitschko’s lawyers have secured a cease­and­desist letter from the WBC saying Lewis has to fight him by the end of October or give up his belt, but the Lewis camp has been happy with the size of the purse that Klitschko is demanding to challenge the champion.

Mesi is 25-0, but he has been brought along carefully, matched up with no­names or over­the­hill heavyweights, mostly in fights in or around his hometown.
GOLF

Golfers still trying to catch up to Woods

Associated Press

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — "You own your potential," Davis Love III underlined those four words, even after stars have reminded them, as a reminder, that the best way to catch Tiger Woods is to wear blinders.

The strategy came from an off-season session with sports psychologist Bob Rotella. Love jotted down the notes on a yellow legal pad, and he reviewed them the night before the final round of The Players Championship.

He proved to be a quick study.

Love turned in the greatest closing round in the 30-year his­ tory of the tournament. In cold, blustery conditions, he shot a bogey-free 64 to make up two strokes on the leaders and even­ tually win by six.

"We always talk about playing against Tiger down the stretch," Love said. "I was chasing my own potential, and I think that's the difference." It sounds good on paper, any­ way.

The real test comes next week in the Masters — or any other tournament where Love’s pursuit will put him on a collision course with Woods on the back nine today.

That never happened on the TPC at Sawgrass.

Love's stiffest competition came from Jay Haas, who had never won in 10 years, and Padraig Harrington of Ireland, who has never won on the PGA Tour.

It wasn't Love's fault that Woods finished one hour in front of him and 11 strokes behind.

Woods' largest deficit since the 2001 PGA Championship

Love was the one who厂家 blinders, he needed binoculars.

Would it have been different if Love played the final round with Woods, instead of good friend Fred Couples?

Probably not.

Couples has been around for 20 years and shot a 64 on the final day in 1996 to storm from behind and win The Players Championship. He called Love's round the best he has ever seen anyone play.

"Not just Davis — anybody," Couples said.

Love said he was building to a moment like this and that he felt comfortable enough to compete with anyone, although he eased off when he saw the next question coming.

"I'm not throwing down chal­ lenges and saying, 'I'm back,' " he said. "But it's nice to see the ball going where you're looking." Phil Mickelson called out Woods in a magazine interview by saying he used inferior equip­ ment, words that were intended as a compliment but perceived as a challenge. Woods whipped him the first time they played together, in the final round at Torrey Pines.

Ernie Els challenged Woods with his result.

The Big Easy became the first player in 14 years to win the first two PGA Tour events of the season, then won twice more against good fields in Australia.

He and Woods met for the first time this year on Saturday at Bay Hill under unfavorable condi­ tions — Els had a sore right wrist; Woods had a four-stroke lead.

Woods wound up 10 strokes clear of Els after the third round, and finished 19 shots ahead of him at the end of the tourna­ ment.

Love has scars, just like every­ one else who has been run over by Woods.

He handed Woods his first PGA Tour victory in 1996 at Las Vegas by missing a 6-foot par putt in a playoff. Woods denounced Love twice during a four-week span in 2000, in the semifinals of Match Play and in the final round at Bay Hill.

"It's going to take somebody to stuff it in his face a couple of times coming down the stretch to knock him off," Love always used to say.

That was the problem.

Not many can, and even fewer do.

NCAA BASKETBALL

Marquette coach waiting for call

MJet will be waiting at Final Four for Schwab, who needs lung transplant

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Trey Schwab sits on the Marquette bench, breathing oxygen from a tube connected to a portable tank. He uses a cell phone on his hip, and he checks it every so often to see if he's missed the call that could save his life.

The 38-year-old assistant coach has a disease that is deteriorating his lungs, and a transplant is his only hope for survival.

Schwab is at the top of a waiting list for a donor lung, and if a match is found, word will reach him through a vbra­ tion on his cell phone. He then would have just two hours to get to the University of Wisconsin Medical Center in Madison for the operation.

This waiting game is not only tense for Schwab, it's an incom­ venience because his team is playing in the Final Four in New Orleans. The Golden Eagles play Kansas in the first national semifinal on Saturday afternoon, and Schwab left for the Big Easy on Tuesday to help with logistics for the team's trip.

"The coach in me would like to put all this on a back burner and not worry about it," Schwab said. "But this is life and death, and it's going to happen when it's supposed to happen, and there's not any­ thing any of us can do about that.

A private jet will be waiting to whisk Schwab away from New Orleans should the call come while he's there.

"We're always pushing the two-hour window a little bit," Schwab said. "But hopefully we'll have a little bit of leeway if they find a lung for me." The former was just no way he was going to stay back in Madison after Marquette reached its first Final Four since Al McGuire led the urban Jesuit school to its only title in 1977, McGuire's last game as coach.

"It's stressful on the bench and being so far away," Schwab said. "But I'd probably be in more stress if I had to sit at home and watch it on TV." He's ready — and hoping — for his phone to go off in the middle of the game at the Superdome, or in the middle of the night.

For the first two rounds of the NCAA tournament, Schwab had a prop plane ready to take him from Indianapolis to Minneapolis, both of which are about an hour's flight from Madison.

"It's everywhere we go last­ ly. A jet is all part of the travel itinerary," coach Tom Crean said. "I hope he's there for the game, unless he can get it ahead of time. It's a no-lose sit­ uation for him."

With New Orleans so far from Wisconsin, a faster airplane was needed to get Schwab back quickly enough for transplant surgeon Robert Love to perform the operation that could last up to 24 hours.

"We're going to just have to drop everything and get to the airport as fast as we can when the phone rings," Schwab said.

Shortly after Schwab arrived at Marquette last season, he and Crean developed a nasty cough they couldn't shake, and both men were diagnosed with walking pneumonia. But as Crean got better, Schwab only got worse.

After numerous tests, doctors told Schwab that he had a rare, incurable disease called idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis that attacks the air sacs in the lungs, hindering the body's ability to process oxygen.

After six operations and 15 months on the portable oxygen tank, Schwab moved near the top of the organ transplant list in February. When a donor match is made, the transplant surgeon will determine Schwab will receive one lung or two.

Doctors began cutting back on some of his medications in preparation for the operation, sapping his strength and stami­ na.

"Even healthy people get run down and tired this time of year," Schwab said. "Sure, I really had to get my sleep and take care of myself.

He feels guilty because other members of the staff have picked up the slack. But not once has anybody complained, Crean said.

Indeed, Schwab has become a source of inspiration to the Marquette's players and coach­ es in this special season.

"Every time we think things are tough, you look at him and see a man who isn't breaking on his own," Crean said.
Shoulder injury will sideline Jeter at least a month

TORONTO

Even the highest payroll in baseball couldn’t prepare the New York Yankees for what they face now — playing without leader Derek Jeter for at least a month.

Jeter was placed on the 15-day disabled list after dislocating his left shoulder on opening night. The Yankees expect to be without their All-Star shortstop for much longer, and it could be up to four months if he needs surgery.

“We miss him when he’s out of the lineup for one game,” manager Joe Torre said. “To have him out for an extended period of time, we’re lucky we haven’t had that happen before. This will probably be a month or more. There will be a big void.”

Jeter will fly with the team to Tampa, Fla., after Wednesday night’s game and have an MRI test conducted by Dr. Allen Miller on Thursday. The Yankees, who open a three-game series with the Devil Rays on Friday, hold spring training in Tampa and have extensive facilities there.

“I’m sure there will be a second opinion after that. Then the doctors will get together and consult and determine a course of action,” general manager Brian Cashman said. “It’s six weeks minimum. It could be sooner. It certainly could be later.”

The test will show the extent of the damage and whether Jeter needs surgery, said Dr. Jonathan Glashow, a shoulder specialist.

Glashow, an orthopedic surgeon at New York’s Lenox Hill Hospital, said Jeter could be back in four-to-six weeks if he doesn’t need surgery or three-to-four months if he does need an operation.

“Thursday will be the day we’ll get at least some sign to the course of action and the ultimate downtime,” Cashman said.

Cashman said the Yankees were more comfortable having their doctors in Florida examine Jeter than having tests in Toronto. The team also figured it would be easier for Jeter to stay with the team that to fly to New York on his own for the tests.

“I don’t think it really makes a difference if we do it now or Thursday,” Jeter said. “I want to find out. Obviously, something is wrong, because something is out of place. Something probably has to be torn.”

Erick Almonte will get most of the time there while Jeter is hurt, although Enrique Wilson started at shortshop Tuesday.

Jeter hurt his shoulder in the third inning Monday night when he slid headfirst going from first to third on an infield groundout. Toronto catcher Ken Huckabay, covering third because of an overshifted infield, landed on Jeter’s shoulder in a violent collision. Jeter was down for more than 10 minutes, writhing in pain as concerned teammates surrounded him.

Some of the Yankees thought it was a dirty play. Huckabay called it a “freak” play and left a message on Jeter’s cell phone, apologizing.

Torre said Huckabay was just being aggressive, and Jeter said he wasn’t sure whether the catcher could have avoided the collision.

“I’m just angry. I’m going to miss a long time. I’m not happy about it,” Jeter said. “I’ve never done this before. I have no idea how long it will take. I’ll be cautious because it’s early in the season.”

At shortstop, the Yankees aren’t as deep. Jeter, a five-time All-Star, has been the Yankees’ leader during their run of four World Series titles and five AL pennants since 1996.

He has played at least 148 games each season, going on the disabled list only three times with minor injuries.

“He’ll be missed a ton, no doubt about it,” first baseman Jason Giambi said. “This is just some adversity we have to overcome. We’ve all been through it before, just not with a player...
Matt Doherty, shown here in the Tar Heels' 75-63 loss to Duke in the ACC semifinals, resigned Tuesday with three years left on his contract. Doherty's temper was often cited as a problem during his three-year tenure.

**Doherty resigns as Tar Heels’ coach**

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Matt Doherty resigned Tuesday as basketball coach at North Carolina, ending a bumpy three-year run marked by feuds with players and his failure to lead a storied program back to national prominence.

The Tar Heels failed to make the tournament in two of his three seasons. He leaves with three years left on a six-year contract that paid him $855,000 a year.

Doherty's resignation came after athletic director Baddour picked the 41-year-old Doherty after a series of meetings with players and parents, some of whom complained about the coach's intense practices and drastic mood swings. Three players transferred last season and others talked about it this year.

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**In Brief**

Piazza's suspension cut to four games

Mike Piazza's suspension for charging the mound in spring training was reduced to four games, but appealed and had it cut to four games last week.

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multiple positions despite
only being a freshman.
"As the playing time is com­ing,
I'm getting a lot more
comfortable," Rizzo said. "It
helps to get the playing time,
going through the motions on
the field instead of just in
practice."
Rizzo has now started in 18
of 23 Irish games this year,
including each of the last 11.
He has scored at least one
run in each of the last seven
games, including Tuesday's
game where which he scored
three, and is currently second
in runs scored with 18.
Rizzo credits his early
success, as well as the success of
his fellow freshmen, to
learning from not only the older
players on the team but
Mainieri as well.
"Every at-bat I learn some­­thing new. Every situation,
Coach is helping us out, the
young guys, and teaching us
what to do in every situation," Rizzo said.
Not only is Rizzo a terror
for opposing pitchers, he also
sports a pretty versatile —­
and agile — glove on defense.
While earning the bulk of
his playing time this season in
left field replacing the glove
of Brian Stavisky, Rizzo was
seen behind the plate as
catcher late in Tuesday's
game against Detroit.
"I caught a lot in my career,
I've played a lot of outfield
too, so it really doesn't matter
to me where I play. I'm pretty
experienced in both posi­tions," Rizzo said. "Playing
catcher at the college level is
a little different than in high
school and on a club team. It
takes a little bit getting used
to."
So far this season, Rizzo has
only made one error and
wields a decent .947 fielding
percentage.
Versatility is one of Rizzo's
key assets. And while his pro­duction numbers definitely
support his playing time, he is
just happy to be making a
contribution to a winning
effort, whether that is by his
clutch hitting, his consistent
defense or his aggressive
baserunning.
"I just want to do anything
to help out the team," Rizzo
said. "If that's to take an
extra base, then that helps
putting the runners in scoring
position, and helps the batter
to get the job done."
And his numbers seem to
back that up as well — of his
22 hits this season, nine of
them have been for extra
bases, including seven dou­bles.
Judging from his perfor­mance Tuesday against
Detroit, where he went 1-for­
3 with three runs scored and
an RBI despite getting hit by a
pitch twice, Rizzo, along with
his four fellow freshmen —­
Greg Lopez, Brennan Grogan,
Craig Cooper and Steve
Andres — have a bright
future ahead of them under
the glimmer of the Golden
Dome.
"We've really got five fresh­men
out there that I think can
do some really great things
here at Notre Dame," Mainieri said.
Irish get back in the win column and sweep Purdue

By JUSTIN SCHUWER
Sports Writer

Seven was the lucky number for the Irish Tuesday afternoon as they swept intrastate rival Purdue in a doubleheader by scores of 7-3 and 7-1 at the Varsity Softball Complex in West Lafayette, Ind.

With the wins, the Irish again have a winning record as they improve to 12-11 on the season.

After having four straight games against Big East opponents cancelled due to inclement weather, the Irish came out firing on all cylinders to take care of the Boilermakers. The Irish combined for three home runs and 18 hits in the doubleheader.

In the first game, senior shortstop Andria Bledsoe collected 4 RBIs as she knocked home a grand slam to spark the 7-2 victory.

Noire Dame got on the board first in the second inning, when freshman Meghan Bubruaff reached first after an error by the Purdue third baseman. Bledsoe then reached on a fielder's choice, with Sara Schoonenert, pinch running for Bubruaff, advancing to second.

A single by sophomore Liz Hartmann brought Schoonenert home and advanced Bledsoe to third. Bledsoe put the Irish up 2-0 by stealing home.

The Irish put five runs on the board in the third, including Bledsoe's grand slam. Senior Andrea Loman drove in the other run with a single that plated sophomore Megan Caidi.

Purdue would then score a run in the bottom half in the third, a run in the fourth and a run in the seventh before their rally fell short.

Sophomore pitcher Steffany Stenglein seconded her record to 4-4 this season with the victory.

In the second game, Hartmann connected on her fifth home run of the year, which scored two runs, and freshman outfielder Kellie Middleton added a solo shot in a 10-hit explosion for the Irish.

The Irish struck right away in the first inning, when Heidi Huthrauff, reached first after a fielder's choice, and running for Huthrauff, reached on a fielder's choice, and running for Huthrauff, shot a solo shot that hit the wall in left center.

The run was unearned, as Loman was hit by a pitch, advanced to second on a passed ball and then advanced to third on a wild pitch.

Notre Dame scored two more runs in the second off a two-out, two-RBI double by senior second baseman Alexis Madrid. Madrid's hit scored freshman Mallorie Lens, who singled, and Ciolli, who had doubled to center.

The Irish ran its lead to five in the third when Loman reached base on an error, and was then driven in by Hartmann's two-out long ball.

In the sixth inning, Middleton slammed a solo-shot over the left field fence, taking advantage of a strong wind, to score the Irish's sixth run of the game.

Notre Dame added one more run in the seventh when a Mattison single scored Hartmann, who reached on a double.

The Boilermakers thwarted freshman pitcher Heather Booth's shutout bid in the bottom of the seventh, when Heidi Foster launched a two-out, two-run home run to left center. Booth improved to 8-5 on the year.

Notre Dame will return home Thursday to play Loyola (Chicago) at 4 p.m. at Ivy Field.

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Belles travel to Kalamazoo looking to earn respect

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Senior catcher Susan Kutz played in the 12-inning, three-hour marathon in the first game of a doubleheader against Kalamazoo last season. At the time, Kutz had commented on how the Belles played strong for six innings and then relaxed, leaving room for the Hornets to rally and hand Saint Mary's a 9-7 loss.

The Belles are aware they cannot fall apart late in games or give up leads if they want to establish themselves as a league power. Coach Anna Welsh is confident fans will see more runs from the Belles this year in large part due to the conference this year and the league the last time these two teams met.

"We have a lot of new players that the conference is not familiar with so we are looking to surprise all of the teams," head coach Anna Welsh said. "Our upperclassmen have another year under their belt from last year and are ready to do whatever it takes to win the conference this year.

"When having Saturday's MIAA home opener versus Olivet College cancelled due to inclement weather conditions, Saint Mary's is anxious to go on the road to open league play against a team they split with last season.

"We are very excited to start conference and send a message that we are going to be a top contender this year in the league," Welsh said. "We want to start right away and send a message both offensively and defensively.

"Our goal is to start the tradition this year right away, to let everyone know that Saint Mary's is going to be one of the top teams."" Welsh said.

Anna Welsh Belles coach

The Belles have done it offensively, averaging over four runs per game by scoring 73 runs in their first 17 contests. Pitchers like junior Libby Wilhelmy and freshman Kate Sajewich are emerging as the leaders of the Belles defense.

Saint Mary's has struggled recently on offense, particularly in the Indianapolis tournament, in which the Belles said amounted only six runs and went 1-3 in four games. But Welsh is confident fans will see a different Saint Mary's squad Wednesday.

"We faced great pitching in Indy, so it wasn't unexpected not to score more than we did," Welsh said. "I would have liked to see more runs but that wasn't a downfall for us tomorrow against Kalamazoo or against the other teams.

If all goes as planned and the Belles can steal two from the Hornets, it will be a statement from a team that was tied for sixth in the league the last time these two played.

"Our goal is to start the tradition this year, right away, to let everyone know that Saint Mary's is going to be one of the top teams, if not top in the conference this year and all the years following." Welsh said.

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SMC TENNIS

Belles beat Bethel 7-2, aim to extend streak at Kalamazoo

By LISA REIJULA
Sports Writer

It wasn't a shutout like the last two matches have been for Saint Mary's tennis team, but Monday's 7-2 victory over Bethel College (Ind.) was another solid win for the Belles.

"We're right on track," freshman Kristen Palombo said. "We haven't lost a match since spring break and we're doing great right now."

The Belles, now 9-1 this spring, went with a slightly different roster Monday. Palombo moved up to No. 6 singles and defeated Sarah Mayer 1-6, 6-2, 6-0. At No. 2 singles, Kaityln Cutler won over Bethel freshman Emily Lampert 6-1, 6-0. At the No. 3 spot for the Belles, Kris Spriigge beat Mindy Clark in a 6-1, 6-1 contest. For the season, Spriigge is undefeated, seeing action previously at the No. 4 slot. Against Bethel, Elisa Ryan played at No. 4 and lost to Wendy Yater 3-6, 3-6. Rounding out the singles lineup was Miranda Mikulyuk, a 6-1, 6-1 winner over Kristen Conn. At No. 6, Meghan Lambourne also lost, dropping a 0-6, 3-6 match to Amanda Thompson.

The Belles bounced back from the two singles losses and swept all three doubles matches. The duo of Cutler and Ryan made their No. 1 doubles debut by winning 8-3 over Lampert and Clark of Bethel.

A new pairing for the Belles at No. 2, Angela Sandner and Marta Dziekan, beat Julianne Houston and Donna Roberts 8-4. Mikulyuk and Laura Blume played at the No. 3 spot, defeating the pair of Kuehn and Jessica Herbst 9-7.

"It was good to get match practice before tomorrow [against Kalamazoo]," Palombo said. "We're hoping to get better with each match we play."

The afternoon featured faces and players in different positions from the Belles' usual lineup. Jeannie Knode, the usual No. 1 singles player for Saint Mary's, did not compete due to a conflict with her class schedule.

Next up for the Belles is their second conference matchup of the season against Kalamazoo College. Kalamazoo holds an 8-3 record for the 2003 season. The Hornets are 1-0 in MIAA play after winning 6-3 over Alma College in their conference opener. Anchoring the roster is sophomore Meghan Clark, who is ranked No. 21 nationally in Division III women's tennis.

"We're expecting them to be a tough team," Palombo said. "We're just looking match-to-match right now, and we're ready for them."

The Belles will play at home against Kalamazoo today at 3 p.m.

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ND WOMENS TENNIS

Illini latest Big Ten opponent for the Irish

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

With two Big Ten opponents on their plate this week, the Irish are hoping to continue their domination of that conference. The Irish have had 5 matches in the past 11 days, and four of those have been victories over Big Ten teams.

Perhaps the women's tennis team should join the Big Ten conference, given that they only face three Big East foes during their Big Ten foe, in Bloomington Thursday.

Compared to the Illini, the Hoosiers should pose a different scenario for Notre Dame. Indiana is 0-4 in Big Ten competition, and the Hoosiers are fresh off an 0-3 road trip. Although Indiana has lost to five ranked opponents, they have failed to win a match against a top team.

Last season, No. 40 Indiana upset No. 13 Notre Dame 5-2 at the Eck Pavilion.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will be subject to minor setbacks and aches if you do not slow down. Try not to argue today, even if someone picks a fight with you. **

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): This is a great day to learn all you can about the people around you. Someone you meet may not be as upfront with you. Your plans will come from you, not from others. Adjust and observe. **

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A serious group that is trying to make important changes will appreciate your support. You can meet interesting people who can change the course of your life. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your best efforts will unfold through the hard work you put in today. You will find yourself involved in a bit of a deal if you are stubborn and striving to comprehend. **

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Partnerships will highlight your day. If you are in one already, you can take it to the next level. If you are single or looking for a business partner, get out and mingle. **

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Happy Birthday: You will be emotional, giving and someone who likes to get things done. You will be creative, imaginative and unique in your approach to life.

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**SPARKS**
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**BASEBALL**

* Nine run second inning leads Irish to 15-5 win over Detroit at the Eck

By BRYAN KRONK
Senior Staff Writer

It was as easy as turning over a calendar page. The Irish opened the month of April exactly the way they closed out March; that is, with powerful pitching and very solid hitting. The floodgates opened early and often for the Notre Dame offense as the Irish cruised to a 15-5 victory over the Detroit Titans Tuesday at Eck Stadium.

According to Notre Dame coach Paul Mainieri, the sudden surge in offense spells trouble for the rest of their opponents this year. "I think the guys are really starting to get into a groove now, so I'm excited about what the season holds for us," Mainieri said. Once again, a starting pitcher came through for the Irish as they closed out March; that is, with powerful pitching and very solid hitting. The floodgates opened early and often for the Notre Dame offense as the Irish cruised to a 15-5 victory over the Detroit Titans Tuesday at Eck Stadium.

**WOMENS LACROSSE**

Long road stretch finally ends today at No. 8 Syracuse

* No. 14 Irish 3-3 after starting year with six of seven games on road

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

Led by Big East co-Offensive Player of the Week Danielle Shearer, the No. 14 Irish travel to Syracuse to take on the No. 8 Orangewomen in a Big East battle this evening at 7 p.m. Shearer, a pre-season All-American and Tewaarton Trophy candidate, earned the weekly award for the second time this season for her performance against Ohio State and Virginia Tech.

She scored two goals and had one assist in the losing cause against Ohio State and had three goals and three assists in the victory over Virginia Tech.

The game against Syracuse will mark the end of a season opening stretch in which Notre Dame has played six of its first seven games on the road. During the difficult stretch, Notre Dame is 3-3 with wins at Ohio, Boston College and Virginia Tech.

The Irish come into the Syracuse game at 2-0 in the Big East, while Syracuse is 3-1 in conference.

The game against Syracuse also gives the Irish yet another opportunity to notch a victory against a ranked opponent. The Irish have already lost to then-No. 9 Cornell, No. 13 Yale and No. 17 Ohio State.

Despite the setbacks, the Irish remain optimistic they can beat Syracuse and return to the top ten in the polls themselves. "We know we can win on the road in the Big East," junior Meredith Simon said. "We have to do the same against Syracuse."

While Shearer leads the Irish in scoring with 13 goals and 12 assists and is third in the Big East in scoring, the Irish have also used a fairly balanced attack. Juniors Simon, Abby Owen and Lauren Fischer, along with seniors Eleanor Wollie and Anne Riley have also been major contributors on offense this season.

In addition to Shearer, the other co-Offensive Player of the Week named was Syracuse's Monica Joines. Like Shearer, Joines posted impressive numbers by registering eight points on four goals and four assists against Colgate and adding two more goals in a win over Connecticut.

Despite the strong week from Joines, the Orangewomen's biggest offensive threat comes from junior Leigh Ann Zimmer, who already ranks second in career points at Syracuse with 99 goals and 35 assists for 134 points.

After the game against Syracuse, the Irish will return home Saturday for a Big East game against Connecticut.

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A Notre Dame player attempts to evade a defender in a game earlier this season. No. 14 Notre Dame travels to No. 8 Syracuse today for their sixth road game in seven contests.