Istvan, Bell win 2004 presidential election

Candidates react to results of Student Senate vote

By SCOTT BRODEUFREER

The Student Senate broke the election deadlock Sunday afternoon, electing Adam Istvan the next student body president by a 15-13 vote.

While senators were constitutionally bound to vote for the candidate that the majority of their dorm voted for, they were not informed of their dorm’s vote until Sunday’s meeting. Judicial Council President Elliot Poindexter declined to release dorm vote totals to The Observer.

Poindexter announced the Senate’s vote to Istvan’s vice president Karla Bell and to candidate Charlie Ebersol and his running mate James Leito following the Senate’s meeting. Istvan did not attend the announcement, as he was returning from a planned trip to Michigan to visit his fiancée.

“I am very excited, very happy. I think we’re going to do...”

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Monologue demonstrators asked to shut down table in LaFortune

Members of the V-Day movement work from a booth Friday after being relocated by LaFortune management. The action was taken in response to Carole Kennedy’s wearing of a bikini laced with “Rape Free Zone” red tape.

By ANDREW THAGARD

A group of Notre Dame students protesting Saturday’s performance of “The Vagina Monologues” were told to leave LaFortune Student Center Friday.

The group had reserved a table across from the Huddle on the first floor of LaFortune for Friday afternoon in order to promote “The Monologues,” but the event turned into a demonstration that offended guests of the student center.

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Queer Film Festival ends without protests

By ANDREW THAGARD

Notre Dame’s first Queer Film Festival concluded Saturday after drawing large crowds but none of the protests that some had anticipated on the campus of a Catholic university.

“It was very successful,” said Liam Dacey, a senior Film, Television and Theater major who organized the event. “It’s been the best weekend I’ve had at Notre Dame.”

The four-day festival opened Wednesday evening to a sold out crowd in the Hesburgh Library auditorium. A showing of the film “Jim in Bold” was followed by a question-and-answer session with director Glenn Holton. The remainder of the festival featured additional films and screenings with directors, producers and screenwriters, though these events did not sell out, Dacey said.

Notre Dame students, faculty and alumni attended the festival, which featured a screenwriting workshop with alumus Don Roos, a director and writer and two panel discussions titled “Gay Hollywood: Still in the Closet” and “Film and the Construction of Sexual Identity,” in addition to the films.

The two most popular events, Dacey said, turned out to be on Thursday and Saturday nights.

On Thursday, director John Cameron Mitchell came to campus to showcase his film “Hedwig and the Angry Inch.” The film and its director drew a busload of fans from Chicago and some of the attendees dressed up in costumes featur ed in the movie. Saturday’s event was also significant as it featured a screening of the film “The Opposite Sex” Roos.

Dacey said that the event marked one of few times that Roos had returned to campus since he was a student here several decades ago and that his visit left him more impressed with his alma mater.

“After this weekend his whole viewpoint on Notre Dame changed,” Dacey said.

Student who attended the festival also said they were pleased with the event.

Junior Ryan Metheny said he...
Tunnel vision

I know what's down there. I've now seen the inside of Notre Dame's worst-and-best-kept secret: the tunnels. Wurts-kept, you'd have to be oblivious not to notice the scolding snow-melting that streams across South Quad and snakes past Stonehenge. Best-kept: they've been sealed off for years, leaving students with only speculation about what lies beneath—until now.

Let's start at the middle of it all: the tunnel more than 400 feet below the Golden Dome.

Here we find the ghosts of alcohol policies past, from a pyramid stacked high with kegs that satiated the student sections of the 1970's to the lingering stash of hard alcohol forced to depart the dorms only two years ago.

Head down the branch towards the Stadium, and you'll uncover the football team's A-list recruits, right next to Leprechaun Mike's coordination. And if you look hard enough, you might glimpse the charred remnants of a green jersey or two.

Take a right overt to North Quad, and you've hit the tunnel jackpot: leather couches, music, soft lighting, and thousands of those utterly seductive Lion King wallpaper panels from Kristi Hall. It's the antithesis of lounge, the ultimate 24-hour space, the pit where partiers come to perish—let the digging begin.

Straight past the den of sin lies LaFortune underground, where Starbuck's is bottomless and quarter dogs cost a nickel. The feast just keeps going better when you round the corner into Grab n' Go gourmet, with a variety of other artists, and posed for pictures with the Notre Dame cheerleaders when they finished.

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OFFBEAT

Sleepless in Shakespeare

WELLESLEY, Mass. — A college drama group with a soft spot for William Shakespeare began a marathon session Sunday evening to read all the legendary playwright's works in 24 hours. Unbridged.

The Wellesley College Shakespeare Society is hoping their efforts don't turn out to be "The Comedy of Errors" and instead land them in the Guinness Book of World Records as the first to read the works in such a short amount of time.

"It's a huge oversight. We are going to be crazy with linden pantemeter," said Allison Buchbinder, president of the society at the all-women's college outside Boston.

Mongo regains title

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Mongo the steer may now be Mongo the steak, but it isn't too late to give the depressed state fair champion his title back, a judge has ruled.

Officials ruled at last year's Illinois State Fair that Mongo's owners had given him banned medicine to treat a sore hoof. They stripped him of his ribbon and gave the title — and the thousands of dollars it generates — to the runner-up, Mongo's owner, 14-year-old Whitney Gray, sued officials — according to the state Agriculture Department of Illinois, who ruled at last year's Illinois State Fair that Mongo's owners had given him banned medicine to treat a sore hoof. They stripped him of his ribbon and gave the title — and the thousands of dollars it generates — to the runner-up.

Judge Patrick Kelley agreed that the state failed to follow those procedures and ruled that the disqualification should be reversed.

In brief

Attend the Faculty Debate on Affirmative Action from 7 to 8 p.m. tonight in the Jordan Auditorium in the Mendoza College of Business. Professors representing several different viewpoints will present their opinions on a recent issue of controversy on campus.

Come and hear from ND faculty students who recently traveled to Nigeria at the Catholic Church in Africa presentation tonight from 9:15 to 10:30 p.m. in the lounge of the Coleman-Morse Center. They will relate their experiences with the people and church of Africa and provide time for questions.

Sharpen your interviewing skills at an interviewing workshop from 5 to 5:45 p.m. in 114 Planner Hall. The workshop is sponsored by the Career Center.

Come to the Saint Mary's Post-Graduate Service Fair from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Noble Family Dining Room on Tuesday. Students of all class levels from both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame are encouraged to attend and speak with representatives about volunteer and service opportunities.

Juniors, pick up your Junior Parents Weekend tickets from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday in the Sorin Room of LaFortune. Tickets will also be available for pick-up at the same location beginning at 1 p.m. Friday.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information and event to obnews@nd.edu.

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IN BRIEF

THE DAY:

IN HONOR OF PRESIDENT'S DAY, WHO IS YOUR FAVORITE PRESIDENT AND WHY?

Andrew Kaswalski
Freshman
Keenan

"George Washington because he had wooden teeth."

John Middleton
Senior
off-campus

"Taft because he was a big fat man that got stuck in a tub."

Laura MacGregor
Sophomore
Cavanaugh

"George W. Bush because he's from Texas. Gotta love southern accents."

Natasha Sarkisian
Sophomore
off-campus

"Father Hesburgh, President Emeritus of ND, because he has so many degrees."

Noah Babin
Freshman
Stanford

"Colin Campbell, president of the NHL, because hockey rules!"

Wes O'Neill
Freshman
Morrissey

"Paul Martin, current Prime Minister of Canada, because in Canada we don't have presidents."
Mendoza sponsors annual Ethics Week

By MATT BRAMANTI

In the wake of corporate scandals involving formerly respected companies like Enron, Tyco and Martha Stewart, the College of Business is calling for an ethical underpinning to contemporary business. While the college is focusing on ethics this week, Milani said the downfall of Enron proved that if you have an ethical underpinning, you’ll find yourself on the outside looking in.

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Enron’s downfall of Enron, the Houston-based former energy trading giant, was a wake-up call for the entire business field. "Enron proved that if you don’t have an ethical underpinning, you’ll find yourself on the outside looking in," Ken Milani said. "It was a Fortune 20 company and basically disappeared overnight."

Tuesday’s event will be a presentation entitled “Ethical Dimensions of Corporate Government.” Professor Terry Biever, a partner at Crowe Chizek and Company, Growe Chzke, based in Chicago, is the eighth-largest accounting firm in the U.S.

On Wednesday, John Grzech will discuss "Ethics in Accounting -- From Operating a Multi-National Corporation to Running a Small Business," a discussion of general counsel of General Electric Supply, and is no stranger to running a small business, as GE Supply’s parent company General Electric is a $134 billion company with operations in over 100 countries worldwide.

The week will wrap up with Thursday’s presentation by Steve Watts, president and CEO of Sobieski Bank, a South Bend-based financial institution. The bank was hit by a在我的四千节 digest process and that the bank was handled within the hall after residents expressed concern about what was done to match the amount collected raised. Many raised in Fangbel's collection was instead donated to the group anonymously.

By KATE GALES

Getting into the role reversals spirit, Mr. Cool Water male beauty pageant semifinalist turned towards the camera and declared, "I think I’m ready for a walk.”

Keenan resident John Hart prevailed, winning the title of "Mr. Cool Water" out of a group of men from 13 dorms, as well as the residence hall’s president. The event was sponsored by Sports Illustrated on Campus and Cool Water, Michigan State University’s collection through Legends.

A diverse assortment of men competed in casual wear, evening wear and short answer questions before the field was narrowed down to Hart, runner-up Judi Wilson of Kossuth, and second runner-up Laura Marques Bolden of Siegfried. Each winner and his roommate received $100, $50 and $25, respectively.

The final five contestants drew Updike, Zadori Wall and Jon Piposar of Alumni. Semi-finalists were Michael Riess of Morrissey, Collin O’Keefe of Sorin, Kevin Phipps of St. John’s and Edward’s.

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The event also featured three raffle winners, gift bags for attendees and free blue martinis for audience members of legal age. Notre Dame was the first school to hold Mr. Cool Water, Sports Illustrated on Campus also traveling to the University of Colorado and the University of Virginia for similar events.

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SMC celebrates heart month

By MICHELLE EGGERS

In recognition of American Heart Month, Saint Mary’s College’s Health and Wellness Services is sponsoring “Heart Truth for Women” activities this week to educate women about heart disease.

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The activities kick off today with a “Heart Healthy Breakfast and Conversation.” Certified diet- tition Anna Uhran-Wasserski and Health and Wellness staff will appear with a heart-healthy breakfast and a discussion about preventing heart disease and recog-nizing risk factors.

Every day this week, a "Daily Heart Walk" will be held in the Angelo Athletic facility between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Students, faculty and staff are challenged to walk at least 30 minutes at least four out of five days. Those who meet these requirements will receive a free "My Heart Beat" T-shirt.

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Three mules cloned successfully

Associated Press

Seattle — Three young mules who are the first members of the horse family to be cloned are all healthy, normal and energetically enjoying life, said researchers who put them on display here Sunday.

Idaho Gem, born May 4, 2003, was the first successful cloning of an equine. He was followed by siblings Utah Pioneer on June 9 and Idaho Star on July 27. The clonings were a project of the Northwest Equine Reproduction Laboratory at the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho.

All three were born to surrogate mares from embryos that were cloned using eggs from horses and cells taken from the 45-day-old fetus of a mule. The cloned mules are the true siblings of Taz, a famous racing mule. Researchers bred Taz’s parents, a jack donkey and a horse mare, and allowed the resulting fetus to grow for 45 days. This provided the DNA needed for the clones.

The project director of the University of Idaho laboratory, said the animals undergo intensive medical tests every three months and all three appear to be normal and healthy.
Advisers: Dean close to quitting

Campaign chairman says nominee 'likely to lose Tuesday if he doesn't lose Tuesday's Wisconsin primary.'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Howard Dean is preparing to abandon his race for the Democratic presidential nomination if he loses Wisconsin's primary, several advisers said Sunday, despite the candidate's assertions to the contrary.

Steve Grossman, national campaign manager, said the former Vermont governor will seek to convert his grass-roots network into a movement that helps expand the party and elect the Democratic nominee — "and, obviously, that looks likely to be John Kerry." The sentiments were echoed by other high-ranking campaign officials, though one of them said it was still unclear just how much — if any — direct help Dean would be willing to give Kerry.

Polls show Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry has won 14 of the last 15 contests to date, holding a wide lead in Wisconsin, site of Tuesday's contest. The comments came as Dean struck a defiant tone hours before deciding his future. "We're going to keep going, no matter what," because, he says, "there are a lot of people all over this country who want to rebuild the party and rebuild America in a different way." Dean was quoted in the Massachusetts senator, who has won 14 of 16 contests to date, holding a wide lead in Wisconsin, site of Tuesday's contest. The comments came as Dean struck a defiant tone hours before deciding his future. "We're going to keep going, no matter what," because, he says, "there are a lot of people all over this country who want to rebuild the party and rebuild America in a different way." Dean was quoted in the Massachusetts senator, who has won 14 of 16 contests to date, holding a wide lead in Wisconsin, site of Tuesday's contest. The comments came as Dean struck a defiant tone hours before deciding his future. "We're going to keep going, no matter what," because, he says, "there are a lot of people all over this country who want to rebuild the party and rebuild America in a different way." Dean was quoted in the Massachusetts senator, who has won 14 of 16 contests to date, holding a wide lead in Wisconsin, site of Tuesday's contest.

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Leaders promise not to interfere

Associated Press

KUWAIT CITY — Iraq's neighbors pledged Sunday not to meddle in Iraqi affairs but urged U.S.-led coalition forces to fulfill their duty in protecting the country's sovereignty. Foreign ministers from Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait held emergency talks in Kuwait City Sunday about the ramifications of developments in Iraq on their region.

The group has met four times since U.S. and coalition troops arrived in Kuwait in April, but this weekend's talks came to a significant conclusion: a core Arab representative. Bahrain also attended as a representative of the Arab League.

The nations affirmed "their commitment to the principles of non-interference in domestic affairs" and urged others to do the same.

The group's final communiqué vowed to support Iraq as they launched their own political program from their country from U.S.-led forces July 1 and respect the wishes of the Iraqi people. They urged the United Nations to "carry out its pivotal responsibilities" in helping keep the transfer of power and carrying out the country's elections.

The group also expressed the importance of a unified Iraq. Arab nations had expressed concern about a proposal by the U.S.-led coalition to reorganize Iraq into a federal system before transferring power, fearing it may empower ethnic groups and lead to the country's partition and regional instability.

But Iraq's Foreign Minister, Hoshay Zebari, assured the ministers that would not happen and asked them to keep out of Iraq affairs.

He told The Associated Press they should "leave it for the Iraqis themselves to decide their own political future, and not dictate." The issue of crossing the borders with neighboring countries did not figure in the final communiqué. That is most pressing for Iraqis who fear foreign fighters will cross the border and stir up trouble.

However, the ministers condemned acts of terror in Iraq, saying those who carry them out must be identified and punished. They called on the U.S.-led coalition to assume its responsibilities, according to international agreements. They did not elaborate.
senator voted, he did not release actual dorm-by-dorm voting figures based on Thursday's election, a practice the Judicial Board has followed in the past.

Poindexter said that he and director of student activities Brian Coughlin knew the exact breakdowns on Thursday. But the Judicial Board president didn't tell each senator how they were required to vote until the Sunday meeting.

In a 20-minute debate about the constitutional process before the election, Knott senator Brain Agganis said that senators questioned their role in the process and discussed their opinions regarding the election procedure. Agganis said he was disappointed in the system and believed that this election was proof there are flaws in the procedure and structure.

Several senators expressed concern regarding representation through the Senate's vote. Amy Chambers, the off-campus senator, said that questions about the disproportionate off-campus representation on Senate had not been an issue prior to the election, but became critical in a meeting before the election, even though the Judicial Board has continued to follow in the past.

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Poindexter likened the current student government structure to the U.S. government's Electoral College, but added that the main difference was that had a state -mate been reached in a national election, the House of Representatives — the body based on proportional representation — would render the decision.

Poindexter said he was confident in the current system and offered his hope that this year's election would influence a greater amount of students to vote in subsequent elections. Less than half of the undergraduate population voted in this election, which was total of 3,524 ballots being cast.

Poindexter said he and Coughlin met Thursday to review election guidelines. Poindexter said he believes this is the first time that a candidate has not received the needed 50 percent plus one vote to be named to the top student government position and that the decision was left to the Senate.

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**Gunshot linked to series of shootings**

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The day after the chief investigator said authorities were closing in on a serial highway shooter, a man stood in plain view on an overpass and fired a handgun at cars below. He then walked to his car and slipped into traffic.

Ballistics testing has confirmed that the Saturday morning shooting was the 24th in a series in the Columbus area, investigators said Sunday. No one was injured in that shooting.

The bullet recovered from the body of a sport utility vehicle struck on Interstate 70 matches eight others recovered during the investigation, including the one that killed a woman in November, according to a release. The others have been linked by factors including location and circumstances.

Experts said the shooter is becoming bolder after evading capture for three months, when authorities first established a pattern in the shootings.

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**Law & . . .**

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"The Place of Radical Protestantism in Early Modern Christianity"

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**SOFTWARE**

**Critics slam Microsoft Corp.**

Security expert decry's "monoculture," says worldwide computer security at risk

Associated Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - Dan Geer just lost his job, but he's determined to keep up the fight. The former chief executive of the U.S. Department of Defense's National Security Agency has a very real idea that got the computer giant in hot water. Geer's firm has sparked serious debate in information technology.

The idea, borrowed from biology, is that Microsoft, which has nurtured a software "monoculture" that threatens global computer security.

Geer and others believe Microsoft's software is so dangerously pervasive that a virus capable of exploiting even a single flaw in its operating systems could wreak havoc.

Just this past week, Microsoft warned customers about security holes that independent experts say can be exploited. But no one has yet released a virus that could take advantage of the flaw.

A virus that can exploit that flaw. Genetic diversity increases the chances that at least some of the species will survive each attack. "Who can doubt, I think, of how does nature work?" said Geer, a talkative man with a passion for biology. "Everybody wants to see it work."

"The hoopla around him losing his job gave the story some extra frisson," said Internet security expert Bruce Schneier, a co-author of Geer's. "He got fired because somebody wanted to be nice to their masters. But it's like the Christian Churchayne that everybody wants to see it now.

Microsoft, which denies pressuring officers to fire Geer, says the comparison is out of line. Geer insists there's been a "silver lining to his dismissal."

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**CORPORATE SCANDAL**

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Elections reveal student apathy

Run-off process inherently flawed

What a farce.

That sums up the entire 2004 student body presidential election campaign that ended Sunday night, when the Student Senate elected Adam Istvan and Karla Bell president and vice president. From personal attacks directed toward the winner by casting their votes according to which candidate won a plurality in their dorm. Additionally, there had been a tie in the Senate vote, the student body vice president — Ebersol, who was not elected to the position — would have made the tie-breaking decision.

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Want to find out other places where this election fell short? Look at the above Charlie Ebersol endured during his campaign, which far exceeded the amount of reasonable criticism a candidate encounters while running. Look at the 1,000-vote gain Istvan received in the run-off election, which leads one to wonder if people were voting for Istvan or against the unpopular Ebersol. Has any apathy reached such a point that students will pass up the most qualified yet least popular candidate — Ebersol — in favor of a candidate whose only experience with student government comes as a dorm commissioner — Istvan — because they believe student government doesn't accomplish anything anyway?

This attitude only fosters a cyclical relationship between students and their elected leaders. When a fundamentally flawed procedure is used to settle the election instead of actual vote totals, students have a reason to feel apathetic. In turn, they have a hard time taking candidates seriously because they believe it won't make a difference. And in this instance, students' votes led to the election of a president who is inexperienced in dealing with the inner workings of student government functions — and thus at a disadvantage when it comes to combating some of the problems that cause student apathy in the first place.

While today's closed Senate meeting chose the winner that coincided most with the wishes of the Student Body in Thursday's run-off, Adam Istvan, I would like to remark that I have never seen a more unfair, nonsensical and poorly designed process. As the off-campus senator, I represent 1,600 people. Let's say I am a member of my constituency voted for one candidate. And let's say every member of Dillon Hall, that has over 300 residents, all also voted for that same candidate. That's 1,900 votes, which is more than 10 plus one percent needed to secure the presidency in a run-off, even if every other voter chose the other candidate. Let's hypothetically say that happened.

For fun, if that vote was taken to Senate, the outcome would be grossly different than what students wanted. While that first candidate would have over 1,900 votes would have over 50 percent of student's support, he would only procure a shocking 7 percent in a Senate meeting like today's. The fact that a process like this could turn someone's majority into a mere 7 percent is pretty disgusting to me. In Friday's Observer, Charlie Ebersol said, "I think it's important that each dorm has equal representation and equal voices." While the article suggested that Charlie shares my sentiments that the system is inherently flawed, this comment does not.

By saying "it's necessary that each dorm has an equal voice," Charlie is advocating that students do not have an equal voice. If every dorm is to have an equal voice, then Carroll's some 300 member dorm members are more than three times more important and influential in today's student government than Dillon's 300 member dorm (and 16 times more important than my off-campus students). The fact that students are made unequal in choosing their own president stinks. Candidates run on platforms — promises that will benefit and hurt individual students, not dorms. The promises are things that impact the students. And the students do not have a right to pick who they want leading them, whose policies they like better and want to go into the future, the Senate will not decide an election in which a candidate does not achieve a majority.

Vote by 5 p.m. Thursday at www.ndsmcobserver.com

"A young man who does not have what it takes to perform military service is not likely to have what it takes to make a living."  
John F. Kennedy  
U.S. president
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reacting to the Queer Film Festival

Notre Dame students have duty to respect faith

I am not a graduate of Notre Dame, but I am a Catholic — a convert — and am sensitive to how our Church appears to the "separated brethren." A top-notch university which bears the name of the Mother of God should be especially conscious of its duty to present a bold witness to the world of what the Church means.

I am writing with regard to the gaylesbian film festival, which I would not be shocked to see on a campus such as Indiana University. Indiana is the school named after Our Lady? Representing a Church founded by Christ who was not ashamed to admit the existence of objective evil, and was not tolerant in the face of such evil?

I think you have a duty before God to clearly represent the faith on which your school was founded. Anything else is dishonesty and capitulation. Your school is not the correct forum for the gaylesbian lobby to find its voice.

Laurel DeStefano
Carroll, Ind.
Feb. 15

Condemnation ignores Christ's teachings on salvation, grace

I find it remarkable and humorous that a man who is the president of a group called "Christ or Chaos" does not use Christ's teachings to back up his condemnation of gay and lesbian students and the film festival here at Notre Dame.

Mr. Drolesky, your use of the Immaculate Conception, Mary and teachings from Genesis and Exodus completely ignore Christ whose message offers salvation and grace.

Never did Jesus teach teachings of homosexuality, because in a world full of hatred and fear, Jesus' message is that it is a non-issue. Instead, it is how you love them, and trying to live your life with peace, compassion and equality.

Michael McReynolds
Staunford Hall
Feb. 13

Let controversy bring a greater understanding of Catholicism

I would like to respond to the Feb. 13 editorial "Festival a step in the right direction.

The discussion of the administration's policies towards homosexuality has long been discussed at Notre Dame. Under the guise of "academic enlightenment," students, alumni and friends at the University have pushed for greater acceptance of non-Catholic values at Notre Dame.

I would challenge students at Notre Dame to pursue an understanding of Catholicism while at Notre Dame. Very few people understand why the Church stands by its antiquated teachings of a celibate, male-only priesthood, anti-birth control teachings, no sex before marriage, social teachings, or homosexuality. Is it simply because the Church is an old institution with old and dated ways?

The author of the editorial would likely answer "yes." The editorial stated Notre Dame's policies are still "far from perfect" but that Notre Dame is starting to see the light. I suggest that this is incorrect and that perhaps much can still be learned from Catholic teachings.

Let the Queer Film Festival be a debate and understanding of Catholic teachings. Do not let it be a vehicle to bring Notre Dame to the standards and thinking of the rest of the world.

Upon graduation (if not already), most Notre Dame students will find that many Catholic teachings, such as its position on homosexuality, are not popular and are considered laughable by many. Because of this, I think true "academic enlightenment" will be found in understanding why the Church has and holds its unpopular teachings in the face of a world with very strong and popular opposing beliefs. There are very few places to learn about Catholicism on a high intellectual plane. Notre Dame is one of those places. Do not waste your time reaffirming society's common sense.

Marie Suarez
class of 2001
Feb. 15

Whither Lieutenant Bush?

In the context between George W. Bush and Al Gore four years ago, hindsight reveals, the press patently neglected its duty to the public. By glossing over the carnage of Bush's lies, premeditated policies towards homosexuality has long tried to live your life with God's plan for you, and allow others to live their lives in accordance with Christ's teachings to back up his "separated brethren." A top-notch university which bears the name of the Mother of God should be especially conscience.

The Observer, on February 16, 2004
Exhibit at Snite brings America to life

By MEEGHAN CONROY
Scene Writer

The sum of a man's life is ultimately the stories that he leaves behind for others to hear. In the case of painters, their stories are seen and not heard. An artist tells his or her story and offers a brief window into who they were by drawing the viewer into their art. He or she is commonly judged by the vivid way they are able to create a world and share that world with others.

One individual who strove to preserve man's daily life and surroundings was William Merritt Chase. Chase expressed the identity of Americans through his impressionist paintings. Critics hailed Chase's ability to allow his audience to connect and identify with the work. For the viewer, a park scene became the park down the street, children playing in the fields became their own children and a harbor became their latest vacation spot. The influence is drawn into his work through their own experiences.

William Merritt Chase was born in Nineveh, Indiana in 1849. He grew up in Indianapolis, where he trained with Barton Hays as a teenager. Hays quickly recognized Chase's talent, and sent him to New York to study. From New York, Chase continued to Munich in 1872 to study at the Royal Academy. After six years of intensive study, Chase returned to New York where he resided and worked for the rest of his life.

Chase was a true New York cosmopolitan. Downtown, his elaborate studio served as an office, gallery and a center for other artists and socialites. Chase was well known in the social scene. However, he was also a devoted father and husband of eight children. Chase often included his family in his paintings, as may be seen in "Shinnecock Hills, Long Island". The vivid colors and intrinsic detail that Chase used captures his vision of different scenes from across America that make up his life.

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DARTing into BEER 101

$20 seminar offered at Legends is meant to educate the average drinker

By BRANDON HOLLIHAN
Scene Writer

Along with the terrific success Legends has had in its first year of operation comes a unique seminar series discussing the finer aspects of the college student's beverage of choice.

"Beer 101," being held at Legends this Tuesday from 8 to 10 p.m., is a PowerPoint presentation demonstrating how beer is brewed and fermented, what ingredients make up the contrasting styles of beer, and a sampling of seven to eight different kinds of beer so students can taste the differences for themselves. The seminar also rewards students with two free pints of their choice. This event is limited to students 21 or older.

"We're just trying to get people exposed to beer," says Jeff Croddy, the general manager of Legends. "We're trying to educate your palate just like your brain.

"I first discovered these differences working at a microbrewery. If you don't try something, you don't know it's there!"

"Beer 101" will be led by Jim Herton, the facilities organizer for Notre Dame Food Services, and students can hope to enjoy the demonstrations he makes between the standard domestic beer and international imports. "Beer 101" is also the first of a three-part series in alcohol education at Legends, with the management hoping to have "Wine 101" and "Alcohol Etiquette", the latter of which is aimed at how to interact with others at business-like processions with alcohol present. The event costs $20 per person.

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Owczarski is seen here with one of his many busts that are now on the second floor of the Hesburgh Library.
Sandler and Barrymore get back together for Valentine’s day

By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

Most students have walked through the second floor of the Hesburgh Library and seen Marian Owczarski’s steel sculptures on display. Before Sunday’s exhibit opening, few understood the meaning of the sculptures for Owczarski and for Owczarski’s native Poland. The “Pride of Poland” celebration, sponsored by the Polish Club of Notre Dame, gave students and members of the surrounding community the chance to hear the artist speak about his life and work.

The exhibit features several portraits of influential Polish figures in history. Some of the subjects are well known to most students, such as Pope John Paul II and Nikolaj Kopernik, better known as Copernicus. Others are less well known here, but still significant. Biochemist Carlisle Funk, for example, was awarded a Nobel prize for discovering vitamins and raising awareness of vitamin-deficiency diseases.

Owczarski’s life has had a great influence on his work. The artist was born in Lukow in 1932. Seven years later the country was sunk into the horrors of World War II. A Nazi air strike claimed the lives of his family. Owczarski himself was badly wounded and barely survived the war.

After the war, Owczarski began to pursue his artistic career, working his way through several schools including the University of Art in Lodz and Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw. After earning his final degree in 1931, Owczarski became part of a nationwide restoration effort, working to restore churches damaged during the war. Owczarski, a man of diverse talents, worked with wood, glass, stone, plaster, marble and metals in his restoration work. He has also created sculptures using different materials, including wood and stone.

Ultimately, however, his sculptures in steel are one of the best representations of his art. His first metal sculptures were made from pieces of abandoned tanks found in the Polish countryside, making them particularly potent for Poles who had lived through the war. The artist now uses stainless steel, a product essential to modern society, to create art that will speak to a modern world, describing it as “the most logical medium of the age.”

Owczarski’s skill in working with a difficult material has rightfully gained him artistic renown. His sculptures have been exhibited in eleven countries and over 50 cities, including Warsaw, Budapest, Prague, Frankfurt, Paris, London, Moscow and New York. He has won numerous awards for his work.

Owczarski is currently director of the Galeria at Saint Mary’s College and Artist-in-Residence of The Orchard Lake Schools in Michigan. He continues to be involved with Polish-American art organizations in the area.

The “Pride of Poland” exhibition will be on display in the second floor lobby of the Hesburgh Library until April 25th. Contact Maria Smith at msmsmith@nd.edu

Sander and Barrymore reunite for the first time since “The Wedding Singer” in this week’s number 1 movie at the box office — “50 First Dates.”

LOS ANGELES — Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore’s romance “50 First Dates” proved an irresistible draw for the Valentine’s weekend date crowd, taking in $41 million to debut as the top movie, according to studio estimates Sunday.

If the estimates hold, it would be the second-biggest February opening ever, behind the $58 million debut of “Hannah II” in 2001 and just ahead of last year’s “Dareddevil” at $40.3 million.

The previous weekend’s top film, “Barbershop: 2 Back in Business,” slipped to second place with $15.6 million, bringing its 10-day total to $44.1 million.

The overall box office was down, with the top 12 movies grossing $107.8 million, off 13 percent from the same weekend last year.

“50 First Dates” was a reunion for Sandler and Barrymore, who starred in “The Wedding Singer,” which opened over Valentine’s weekend in 1998.

Sandler’s main audience is males in their teens and 20s, who turned out in force, but women made up 57 percent of the crowds on the strength of Barrymore and the movie’s romantic theme, distributor Sony reported.

And the Valentine’s weekend sealed the deal with audiences.

“Talk about great timing. For a lot of couples, this was their Valentine entertainment,” said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations.

Sandler plays a womanizer smitten by Barrymore, an accident victim who forgets the previous day’s memories each morning, forcing Sandler to dream up new ways for the two to meet and fall in love.

Playing in 3,591 theaters, “50 First Dates” averaged a strong $11,417 a cinema.

Associated Press

With many people off work Monday for President’s Day, “50 First Dates” should come out of the long weekend about halfway to the $100 million level. The movie is positioned to become the first released in 2004 to top that mark.

Though many critics trashed “50 First Dates,” the movie earned its share of positive press, with some reviewers taken in by the story’s sweetness and Sandler and Barrymore’s chemistry.

Almost half of the audience was 25 or older, a more mature crowd than normally turns out to see Sandler.

“I think people were excited to see Adam and Drew paired up again,” said Rory Bruer, Sony head of distribution. “And I think one thing I would say about Adam, he’s just such a likable guy. He’s just so accessible to all audiences. People can relate to him.”

In narrow release, the murder thriller “Highwayman,” starring Jim Caviezel, debuted weakly with $1.82 million.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures will be released Tuesday.

Notre Dame collects wins over Virginia Commonwealth, Boston College and Virginia Tech

By ANNE LOUGHERY
New Writer

The No. 26 women's tennis team improved its record to 5-1 this weekend, with wins over Virginia Commonwealth, Boston College and Virginia Tech.

This weekend's success began with a close 4-2 victory Friday over No. 14 Virginia Commonwealth in which the Irish ended the Rams' 40-match home winning streak.

Notre Dame claimed the initial 3-0 advantage in the meet before the Rams' Olga Horvitska defeated No. 14 senior Alicia Salas 7-6 (7-3), 6-2 and Silvia Urickova beat No. 88 freshman Christian Thompson 7-6 (7-3), 6-4.

In her third consecutive clinching win of the season, freshman Catrina Gagan defeated Virginia Commonwealth's Cristina Gargiulo (7-4), 6-0 at the No. 5 position.

The Irish claimed the doubles point with No. 39 sophomore Lauren Connelly and sophomore Alex Rodeck at the No. 2 position.

The Irish swept the singles matches against Virginia Commonwealth, Thompson posting a win over freshman Camille Ripet. Sarah Jane Connelly also registered a win by default at the No. 6 position.

Next, the Irish handed Boston College its second loss of the season 6-1 Saturday afternoon after Lauren Connolly contributed the clinching win for the Irish in singles with a 6-3, 6-2 defeat of the Eagles' Morgan Landes.

Notre Dame swept the doubles matches with Salas and Lauren Connolly delivering the first win of the meet 8-1 over Allison Ashley and Szilvija Szegediourt at the No. 2. To clinch the doubles point for the Irish, Sarah Jane Connolly and Statney were victorious over Landes and Allison Nash 8-3.

The Irish scored freshmen Catrina Gagan and Christian Thompson triumphed against Emily Hellburg and Nilda Wassem 8-3.

The Irish nearly swept the singles portion of the meet, losing only 6-0 against the Eagles at the No. 5 position, Sarah Jane Connolly extending her spring season winning streak, defeating Elissa Kinard 7-5, 6-2.

No. 3 Lauren Connolly defeated Lam in singles 6-3, 6-2, while Thompson upended Lam in singles 6-3, 6-2, while Christian Thompson won over Lowdermilk 6-2, 6-4 at No. 7.

The Irish will aim to find similar success when they host No. 20 Brigham Young Friday.

NOTRE DAME 4, VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH 3 AT RICHMOND, VA

SINGLES

No. 1: Olga Bertina (VCU) d. Alicia Salas (ND) 6-7 (6-8), 6-4, 6-1
No. 2: Silvia Urickova (VCU) d. Christian Thompson (ND) 6-4, 6-2, 6-4
No. 3: Catrina Thompson (ND) d. Cristina Gargiulo (VCU) 7-6 (7-3), 4-6, 6-0
No. 4: Lauren Connolly (ND) d. Camille Ripet (VCU) 6-3, 6-2
No. 5: Cristina Arribas (VCU) d. Sarah Jane Connolly (ND) 6-4, 6-2
No. 6: Kristina Statney (ND) won by default

DOUBLES

No. 1: Bertina/Urickova (VCU) d. No. 2: Connelly/Salas (ND) 4-6, 6-2, 10-8
No. 2: Lauren Connolly/Salas (ND) d. Arribas/Gripa (VCU) 6-4, 6-3
No. 3: Sarah Jane Connolly/Statney (ND) won by default

NOTRE DAME 6, BOSTON COLLEGE 1 AT BLACKSBURG, VA

SINGLES

No. 1: Anat Elazari (VT) d. Alicia Salas (ND) 6-2, 6-2, 1-0 (11-9)
No. 2: Christian Thompson (ND) d. Ginger Lowdermilk (VT) 6-2, 6-4
No. 3: Lauren Connolly (ND) d. Felice Ripert (VT) 6-3, 4-6, 6-4
No. 4: Lauren Connolly (ND) d. Elissa Kinard (VT) 6-4, 6-3
No. 5: Ashley James (VT) d. Sarah Jane Connolly (ND) 6-3, 6-3, 6-4
No. 6: Kristina Statney (ND) d. Meredith Holmes (VT) 6-0, 6-4

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SMC BASKETBALL

Belles drop 8th consecutive road loss to Alma

By STEVE COYER
Sports Writer

In a tough 77-65 loss on the road, the Belles fell behind early and failed to recover against Alma College Friday.

The Belles (6-17) trailed by 14 points in the halftime and never closed the gap as Alma (12-10) held strong the entire game.

For the Belles, this marks their eighth consecutive loss in an away game and their fifth loss in six games.

Junior forward Emily Creachbaum led the way for the Belles with 26 points and seven rebounds on 10-of-16 shooting, but she's not microscopic AVAILABLE

Guard Bridget Boyce, who received a nomination for MIAA player of the week and was named to the all-conference first team, added a 14 points on 5-of-12 shooting.

The difference in the game for Alma proved to be the strong inside game of forward Karen Hall. In a previous game against the Belles, Hall had 24 points and 10 rebounds. In Saturday's game, Hall was just as dominant under the basket for Alma.

Mary's 19, Alma 19.

Both teams only committed 10 turnovers, but Alma had 18 assists to 12 for the Belles.

Free throw shooting helped Alma to seal the victory for the team as shot 18-of-22 from the line with Hall going 12-of-13.

Four different players scored in double figures for Alma. Guard Kately Peacock had 14 points and forward Michele Dettling had 13.

Alma is 1-13 on the season, Boscawen 4-10 for up to enthusiastic people wanted.

SANT MARY'S 65 at the CAPPERT GYMNASIUM

ALMA (15-10, 8-7)

Hail 12-11 12-28, Peacock 5-10 4-4 14, Dettling 6-7 9-9 13, Bordini 4-8 0-1 2, Malone 3-5 5-10 6, Lamond 6-2 6-4 0-0 0-0 0-0 0-0, Neimi 0-0 0-0

Allama 18 (Lounds 5). Total fouls: Saints 18, Alma 11 (Lounds 5).

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Men's College Basketball
Big East Conference

Team | conf. | overall
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Pittsburgh | 9-2 | 23-9
Providence | 8-3 | 17-16
Connecticut | 7-3 | 17-16
St. John's | 7-3 | 17-16
Syracuse | 6-4 | 16-16
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Notre Dame | 6-6 | 12-12
Rutgers | 5-5 | 14-14
Villanova | 5-6 | 13-15
Boston College | 5-6 | 13-15
Georgetown | 4-7 | 13-15
Virginia Tech | 3-7 | 10-11
Miami | 3-7 | 10-11
St. John's | 0-10 | 5-16

Women's College Basketball
Big East Conference

Team | conf. | overall
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Connecticut | 10-1 | 20-2
West Virginia | 8-3 | 16-16
Notre Dame | 8-3 | 16-16
Oklahoma | 8-3 | 16-16
Syracuse | 7-4 | 11-15
Miami | 7-4 | 11-15
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St. John's | 3-8 | 5-13
Syracuse | 3-8 | 5-13
Pittsburgh | 1-10 | 5-16
Providence | 0-11 | 4-18

Women's College Basketball
MIAA Standings

Team | conf. | overall
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Hope | 12-1 | 22-2
Calvin | 11-1 | 19-12
Albion | 9-3 | 19-14
Augsburg | 9-7 | 12-10
St. Catherine | 9-10 | 10-10
Adrian | 4-8 | 6-13
Emory | 2-10 | 5-19
SANTA MARY'S | 1-11 | 6-17

Men's Hockey CCHA

Team | conf. | pds. | overall
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Michigan | 16-6-1 | 23 | 21-6-1
Miami | 15-6-2 | 23 | 21-6-2
Michigan St. | 14-6-1 | 23 | 18-6-1
Ohio St. | 14-6-0 | 23 | 18-6-0
Alaska-Fairbanks | 13-12-1 | 27 | 14-15-1
Western Michigan | 11-12-2 | 24 | 13-13-2
Northern Michigan | 11-15-0 | 18 | 15-12-0
Ferris State | 9-16-1 | 18 | 14-16-2
Trinity College | 7-11-3 | 19 | 9-16-7
Lake Superior | 7-10-0 | 12 | 7-10-0

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Earnhardt Jr. captures Daytona 500

WEST PALM, Fla. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. won NASCAR's biggest 500-miler Sunday, taking the lead at the finish line and winning America's most cherished scenes: the black No. 3 car rolling down pit road while the rival crews lined up to congratulate Earnhardt before he pulled into Victory Lane.

Junior showed the impatience of youth, needing only five tries to win the spring race that bedeviled his father for 19 years.

"He was over in the passenger side with me," the 25-year-old Earnhardt said during a jubilant celebration in Victory Lane. "I'm sure he was having a blast."

Earnhardt's final win came three years to the day after his father, Dale Earnhardt Sr., died on the same racetrack.

A decade after Earnhardt Sr. died on the Intimidator, his son showed the impatience of youth, needing only five tries to win the 500.

The race was won by one of the sport's most cherished scenes: the black No. 3 car rolling down pit road while the rival crews lined up to congratulate Earnhardt before he pulled into Victory Lane.

Three years later, he was killed on a last-lap crash in the 500, depriving the sport of a seven-time champion and its most popular driver.

"In a way, it feels like I'm closer to my dad," Earnhardt said. "At the same time, this is a reminder of losing him all over again."

Earnhardt Jr. said: "I don't know what was going on. It was like a magic trick.

Associated Press

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Shaquille O'Neal was the game's MVP with 24 points in 24 minutes — the same amount of time he spent on the field.

"Can you dig it?" O'Neal screamed to the crowd afterward.

They dug it, all right, just not at the end. And they briefly weren't digging Bryant, either, when he casually put the ball in a layup early in the fourth quarter despite being alone ahead of the field.

The East got the ball to O'Neal late in the game that was all about dunks, Tim Duncan simply passed the ball to O'Neal, who drove off the track in front of the main grandstand, splitting the grass to celebrate his first Daytona 500 victory.
Who really benefits from affirmative action?

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**WOMEN'S LACROSSE**

**Irish top Team Canada 17-9**

Fischer's 3 goals, 2 assists help Irish to preseason victory

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**Special to The Observer**

The Notre Dame women's lacrosse team opened the 2004 season with an impressive 17-9 preseason win over Team Canada at the Loftus Center on Saturday afternoon.

The Irish got goals from 10 different players led by Lauren Fischer and Meghan Murphy with three each. Fischer paced the Irish with five points (three goals, two assists) in the game while fellow senior Meredith Simon had two goals and two assists on the afternoon.

Senior Kassen Delano and junior Jackie Bowers joined Murphy with three points in the game. Delano had two goals and an assist, while Bowers had a goal and two assists. Kristen Gaudreau added two goals for the Irish while Crysti Foote, Abby Owen, Andrea Kinnik and Brittany Fox had single goals for the Irish.

The Irish led 12-4 at the end of the first half, and the teams each scored five times in the second half for the final score of 17-9. In goal for the Irish, junior Carol Dixon had two goals and two assists while Crysti Foote, Abby Owen, Andrea Kinnik and Brittany Fox had single goals for the Irish.

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Notre Dame defender Jess Mikula runs towards the action Saturday in a preseason game against Team Canada in Loftus. The Irish won the match 17-9.

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**MEN'S LACROSSE**

**10 consecutive goals lift Irish over Boston**

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**Special to The Observer**

After trailing 7-2 in the second period, the 11th-ranked Notre Dame men's lacrosse team rallied off 10 goals in a row to take command of the game on route to a 14-11 exhibition victory over the Boston Cannons of Major League Lacrosse Saturday afternoon in the Loftus Sports Center.

Senior Matt Howell's four goals led a quartet of Irish players who found the net multiple times Saturday, when they travel to Princeton, N.J., to participate in the 2004 Coleman-Morse Invitational.

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**MEN'S TENNIS**

Irish badger Wisconsin into submission in 5-2 win

By KATE GALES  
Sports Writer

True to their mascot's name, unranked Wisconsin badgered No. 50 Notre Dame early in the match this weekend, but still fell to the Irish by a score of 5-2.

The Badgers won the initial point of the match, taking advantage of Irish coach Bobby Bayliss' revamped doubles lineup. Although all three teams looked dominant at the beginning, only senior tri-captains Luis Haddock and Matthew Scott managed to leave the courts with a win. The duo defeated Wisconsin's Alex Conti and Scott Green 8-1 at No. 2.

However, the No. 8 team of David Hippee and Alexander Kasarov beat junior tri-captain Brent D'Amico and freshman Ryan Keckley 9-8 (7-4), and Ward Bortz and Lachezar Kasarrov defeated Paul Hidaka and Eric Langenkamp in a hard-fought match 9-8 (7-4).

Bayliss attributed the losses to his team's failure to execute fundamentals.

"It's disappointing to start off down 1-0 with all the work we've done in the past week," Bayliss said. "However, a lot of guys did a great job of stepping out and taking control of their [singles] matches. We'll keep practices very efficient," Bayliss said. "We'll work on things we need to work on, and get everyone in and out so they're ready to go."

The Irish next travel to Northwestern Saturday and return home to face Southern Methodist Sunday.

**NOTRE DAME 5, WISCONSIN 2 AT THE ECK PAVILLION**

**SINGLES**

No. 1: Alexander Kasarrov (W) d. No. 68 Matthew Scott (ND) 6-7 (11-7), 6-4, 1-0 (10-5).
No. 2: Lachezar Kasarov (W) d. David Hippee (ND) 6-3, 6-1.
No. 3: Brianne Schmidt (ND) d. Alex Conti (W) 6-2, 6-2.
No. 4: Brent D'Amico (ND) d. Scott Green (W) 6-4, 6-4.
No. 5: Barry King (ND) d. Ward Bortz (W) 6-3, 6-3, 6-1.
No. 6: Eric Langenkamp (ND) d. Lachezar Kasarrov (W) 6-0, 6-2.

**DOUBLES**

No. 1: No. 8 Hippee/A. Kasarov (W) d. D'Marco/Conti (ND) 6-4, 6-2.
No. 2: Haddock/Scott (ND) d. Conti/Green (W) 6-1, 6-4.
No. 3: Bortz/L. Kasarrov (W) d. Paul Hidaka/Langenkamp (ND) 9-8 (7-4).

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**IRISH TRACK AND FIELD**

Irish runners perform well in Windsor Challenge

By MIKE GILLOON  
News Writer

Both the Notre Dame men's and women's track and field teams finished third Saturday at the Windsor Team Challenge, even though many members of the teams stayed home this weekend to rest up for the Big East Championships.

Mostly sprinters made the trip north to take advantage of the short, fast track at the University of Windsor.

The Irish women sprinters dominated their events as they claimed the top five spots in both the 60-meter and the 300-meter dashes. Senior Kristen Dodd emerged victorious in the 100-meter dashes with a time of 39.13 seconds.

Junior Tiffany Gunn finished just behind Dodd in second place in 39.48, while senior Ayesha Boyd, junior Tricia Floyd and freshman Okechi Ogbohikiri rounded out the top five with times of 40.69, 40.80 and 40.98, respectively. The next closest competitor was a whole second behind Ogbohikiri.

The 60 meters was the same story with a few different names, as Boyd was the winner in 7.69. Floyd just barely missed the conference qualifying mark of 7.78 by finishing second in a time of 7.79. Junior Tanya Cheatham, Dodd and junior Latasha Steele completed the group with times of 7.81, 7.85 and 7.92, respectively.

On the men's side, Ryan Postel torched the competition in the 300-meter sprint. The sophomore from Lexington, Ky., won in a time of 34.54 and barely missed breaking the meet record of 34.37 seconds. Junior Trevor McClain-Duer took third place in 35.07 as freshman Jordan Powell finished in a time of 35.63 to place fifth. Three Irish runners finished in the top spots in the 1000-meter run. Sophomore Vincent Ambrico won in a time of 2:30.61, while senior Tom Weller finished third in 2:32.03.

In the 5000-meter race, junior Ryan Johnson was the victor with a time of 15:42.01.

The younger members of the Irish teams also performed well, as several Irish freshmen and sophomores recorded their fastest times of the indoor season. Ambrose Wooden, who plays football in the fall, qualified for the Big East Championships with a time of 7.02 in the 60-meter dash.

Three Kimball freshman also recorded top five finishes.

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Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5, 2004, and can be submitted at the Office of Student Affairs.
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(12) Teresa Borton (11) and Megan Duffy (11) all scored in double figures.

Notre Dame (15-8, 8-3) outrebounded Providence (4-18, 0-11) 46-29 and shot 54.1 percent from the field for the game.

"I thought we played well offensively," said coach Derek Nesbitt (Jeff Legue, just fed off of the second half, shooting 7-13 remaining.

"I thought just about everybody played well," McGraw said.

Notre Dame is now just a halftime behind West Virginia in the Big East standings. The Mountaineers are 9-3, while the Irish are 8-3. West Virginia beat Notre Dame earlier this season, giving the Mountaineers the 10-1 and in first place in the Big East Conference.

Notre Dame travels to New York Tuesday to play St. John's.

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straight penalty kills in their last eight games.

With the home sweep, Notre Dame also took a step closer toward securing home-ice advantage in the playoffs for the first time since joining the CCHA. The top six finishers in the conference receive home-ice advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

"Any time you can get four points at this point in the season, it's huge," Irish coach Dave Poulin said.

For Joyce, the Irish got the first goal of the game just 2:53 into the first period, as defending Tom Galvin took a shot from the blue line, and it was deflected past Mike Brown by forward Matt Amado. Ferris State would come back to tie the game less than two minutes later, with Derek Nesbitt beating Irish goalie David Brown with a hard shot from a 3-on-2. Each team scored a goal on its first shot of the game.

"We came back to take a lead, this time with Aaron Gill picking up a tally with less than a minute left in the first period. Notre Dame outshot the Bulldogs 16-5, but Mike Brown stifled Irish chances again and again.

"Ferris State would come back to tie the game by scoring an insurance goal at 2:22 and was forced to leave the game. Tom Mueller came into replace Brown, who had played every single minute of the game for Ferris State up until this season.

"It was not very happy with our second period," Poulin said. "There was a kid who came in and hadn't played a minute, and we seemed to get away from the Schulz goal line trouble.

"At the second intermission, I told these guys that I was not going to let an opportunity to win go away here.

"The Irish answered the call, peppered Mueller with 13 shots in the second period, connecting on two of them. Komadoski scored his second goal of the game with a low shot from the blue line which Irish were on the power play.

"The senior defenseman picked up his third goal of the season, a career high. Michael Bartlett scored an insurance goal at 14:55 of the period, beating Mueller with a quick low wrister to the glove side after skating left-to-right in front of the net.

"We got back to our game in the third period," Poulin said. "We're not there yet as a team, but this was still a very good effort, especially going into a break week.

"The Irish are off next weekend before facing Michigan in a two-game series at the Joyce Center Feb. 27 and 28.

NOTRE DAME 4, FERRIS STATE 2 at the JOYCE CENTER Friday, February 20, 2004 7:00pm

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Shots on goal: Notre Dame 44, Ferris State 25.

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Francis

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to cater to the personnel on the court.

Without Francis, the Irish created spacing on offense and became more active on defense.

Notre Dame out-rebounded (37-32), out-assisted (16-15) and outscored its opponent, a Seton Hall team that sits fourth in the Big East and has won over Pittsburgh, Rutgers and Syracuse — all teams which have defeated the Irish.

Thomas led all scorers with 26 points on 9-of-19 shooting, including 14 in the second half. He also finished with seven rebounds and four assists.

"Thomas made a lot of good shots," said Mike Brey, "I thought he was a second half player. I just hope he can continue on in the second half. His conditioning is what really paid off. In the second half, the other players got tired but Thomas didn't."

The Irish had four players in double figures, including Thomas, Torrian Jones (13), Chris Quinn (10) and Tom Timmermans (10).

Both teams began the game with poor shooting. The Pirates made 35.5 percent of their first-half field goals, with the Irish shooting just 37.1 percent.

Seton Hall point guard Andre Barrett led all scorers at halftime with 11 points. The Irish, however, got five or more points from five players in the first half. Sophomore forward Rick Cornett, who is receiving more playing time due to Francis' injury, had six first-half points during a scoring drought for both teams.

Jones

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and the sellout Joyce Center crowd roared their approval. "I made a play on the ball, and he got a step on me going down the court. I knew that either I had to block it or coach [Mike] Brey was going to chew me out," Jones modestly said after the game. "I knew I had to block it to make up for my mistake."

His teammates were more praising. "I wish I could have a block like that," Jordan Cornette grinned. "That's a hell of a play." Tom Timmermans added.

Jones went on to score five of Notre Dame's final six points and secure Seton Hall's second half with four seconds left to secure Notre Dame's 71-68 win over Seton Hall. And when ESPN wanted to put Chris Thomas on-camera after the game, that gave Irish coach Mike Brey and Jones a chance to put on a show with arms around each other's shoulders. "I think it was the greatest moment in my Notre Dame career. Now, the NCAA Tournament."

Thomas scored Saturday's game with back problems. Notre Dame had no consistent low-post presence to exploit against the shorter Pirates. But Jones used his height of the Irish turned that weakness into a back-breaking threat.

"With Torin going out, everybody's turned their back on us. If we continue to play like this, we'll give the NCAA tournament selection committee a great run for their money."

Note:

Thomas missed a foul shot and erased hope of being a perfect 7-0-7 from the charity stripe late in the game Saturday.

With the miss, Thomas came one point shy of tying his own career record of most points in back-to-back games. Thomas scored 31 points versus Connecticut and 26 points against Seton Hall, amounting to 57 points in two games. Thomas scored 58 points in two consecutive games at West Virginia (20) and Miami (32) as a freshman.

NOTRE DAME 71,
SETON HALL 68
at JOYCE CENTER

NOTRE DAME (12-9, 6-5)
Cornette 2-4 0-0, Timmermans 4-8 0-0, Quinn 5-19 3-4, Jones 5-18 6-13, Cornett 3-4 0-0, Billmeyer 0-0 0-0, Southard 0-0 0-0

SETON HALL (16-6, 6-4)
Whitey 13-19 2-2, Ricey 12-19 3-4 0-0, Allen 3-6 1-2, Sweet 5-12 1-1, Jones 2-6 3-6 0-0, Edmson 4-10 0-0, Berry 3-6 0-0, Humber 3-6 0-0, Littles 1-10 0-0, Davis 0-0 0-0, Billmeyer 0-0 0-0

NOTRE DAME 32 39
SETON HALL 26 42
3-point goals: Notre Dame 5-17 (Cornette 2-5, Quinn 1-3, Jones 1-2, Cornett 1-3, Timmermans 1-3); Seton Hall 4-12 (Jones 2-2, Barrett 1-1, Perdew 1-1, Billmeyer 1-1). Free throws: Notre Dame 13-17; Seton Hall 10-18.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Return date unknown for Francis

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Wire

Until Saturday, sophomore forward Torirn Francis had never missed a game in his Notre Dame career. Now, the Irish don't know when he is going to be back again.

An MRI last week revealed that Francis is sidelined with a bulging disc in his lower back. He had only played an average of eight minutes in games against Pittsburgh and Connecticut before leaving because of back spasms.

"I'm hoping to play the rest of the season without it not coming back," Irish coach Mike Brey said. "If we were to recover in the next two to three weeks, that would be icing on the cake. But I think right now, what you see out there is the best for the Irish.

Francis, who had started all 54 games of his Notre Dame career, is the team's leading scorer and leading rebounder. He averages 4.8 points and 8.8 rebounds a game. He will not travel to tonight's game against Syracuse.

"Hopefully, it won't be any longer than two weeks," the sophomore Francis said. "But I can't tell you that because the doctors are out today.

Brey said the Irish had not decided whether to have Francis undergo surgery to correct his back problem, but he said sitting out is the best hope for a speedy recovery.

"Get you into a thing where its what's best for the team and what's best for the kid," Brey said. "What's best for the kid is that he can't play, and he has a future beyond Notre Dame that we have to protect a little bit. And he understands that, and we'll have to move on without him."

For a frustrated Francis, this is the most serious injury of his career. But the Irish, which have won two straight games against top-25 RPI foes, have managed to have success in Francis' absence.

"It's tough, but we got two wins," Francis said. "We're playing well, and that makes it better."

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): This is the day for love. You and your partner can enjoy one another. The chances that you are bending over your head are over and a romantic time for two should be on your agenda.****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may feel somewhat let down today. Don't lose patience you love to have with your hero. Be patient, not stubborn. Problems with female friends may be discouraging.**

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You may need time to let your heart sing. You have peace, and of course a little bit of passion should be your plan.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): It is best to spend a quiet day with your newer love. Chances are good that you neglected their needs during the past couple of months and it's time to make up for it this time.****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Travel and social activity will be a lot more fun than you had imagined. Love is in the air and you will attract potential mates.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can bring harmony back into your life. Spend time pampering yourself and get involved in projects that will enhance your appearance.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22): You need a day to rest. However, if you neglected someone who loves you, you might need a taste. You are eager to complete an ambitious project.****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): You will enjoy the comforts of your own home. It makes you feel good to have friends that you want to stay the day to lay around. This is the time to capitalize.****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have put your new through an emotional wringer. It's time to mellow out and revitalize your motives. Avoid going to extremes.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will be concerned with a friend who doesn't look well. Be sure to check in on them and offer your help in any way possible. Your siblings will be appreciated.****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your high energy may be put to good use. Take things you don't need to charity groups for the needy. You can influence friends to join you in your humanitarian endeavors.****

Birthday Baby: You were born with a built-in common sense that will help you make the right choices throughout your life. You know how to take control of your life. Today, and you a music is getting everyone to do things for you. Your determination will lead you where you want to go.

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That scrambled word game, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henryansom and Alice Argirion

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Have the jumble keeper turn the every weekend.

How arranged the circled letters to

form the surprise answer, as

suggested by the above cartoon.

Saturday's Jumble: C Y N I C U N E R E F O U L P L U R A L

Answer: Often done by medical students before a big exam. THEY'VE DONE IT

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