Physics professors garner top fellowships

By KATIE PERRY
News Writer

Dobrowolska-Furdyna were named APS fellows. Jacek Furdyna, a physics professor, was appointed an honorary fellow of the RPP.

According to the APS, the distinction honors those who have furthered the field of physics through either personal research projects or through their contributions to the fusion of physics with technology.

Bigi, a professor of theoretical high-energy physics, was recognized for his research ideas that lead to innovative ways to explore physics beyond the standard energy model, according to a University press release.

"I consider myself extremely lucky to live at a time when certain thoughts could be thought and certain experimental achievements became possible," Bigi said of his experience in research. "I am unashamedly a theorist, but what makes physics so truly exciting to me is that it is an empirical science, that in the end experiment has to provide the verdict."

Furdyna was honored for his innovative studies in the role of electron spin in optical transitions in semiconductor compounds.

"It is always nice to realize that our work is being noticed," Dobrowolska-Furdyna said. This recognition pleases me because it is also a complement to my collaborators and that of researchers.

There's a lot of ground in the sciences, Haich served as a history professor at Notre Dame before becoming provost.

Other senators said the new provost should be attuned to advancing Notre Dame's academic goals as well as remaining true to its history and identity, particularly as a Catholic university.

"Whoever we hire as a new provost needs to have the ability to articulate the role, the mission, the place of a university like Notre Dame in our society," said academic affairs committee chair John Oborne.

Faculty also cited the ability to support research and faculty in innovative ways to look for new ways to fund cutting-edge research.
INSIDE COLUMN

Secret lovers

So while sitting down to write this column, a strange song began to play on my playlist. I started jamming to Atlantic Starr’s “Secret Lovers.” I listened to the lyrics and wondered about secret lovers.

What does it really mean?

And don’t want to get into that dirty connotation that secret lovers mean someone is cheating on someone else. No no, that’s not what I’m going for. No one is cheating on anyone. Well, at least we hope not. Right?

Anyway, secret lovers are those who don’t want anyone to know what they are doing. Sure there are a few people who have to know some things.

People like your roommates. Its hard to sneak around without them finding out. You live with them, they pretty much have to know everything about you.

So besides roommates, no one knows what you are going on with two people. Maybe your parents, because they like to know that kind of stuff too. But they are a good deaf, no one will know. We can only hope.

So why be secret lovers? You don’t want people to know because you might face opposition from different forces. Friends of your secret love may not like you and wouldn’t approve.

Others may feel only they are good enough for your secret love, so if they find out anything you hurt that friendship. Many factors go into it.

The positives of it: people won’t know and you won’t lose friends. In the long run, people can become accustomed to your relationship and then you can spring it on them.

The exchange: Yeah, we are dating. What? How long? Oh, for about 3 months now. No way! See, it becomes easy. You also don’t have to worry about what other people will say. Besides, who really wants to hear what this person should or shouldn’t be doing. Right? Their business is just that, their business.

A few negatives: certain situations can arise suspicions. Parties, outings or anything that involves beverages and the two secret lovers together. Not a good mix, and it may be necessary to come with a chaperone. Someone who knows something but not the whole thing to make sure nothing happens between the two lovers.

So secret lovers may be good or not, but it is up to you to decide if you want it or not.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD STUDY ABROAD ANYWHERE, WHERE WOULD IT BE AND WHY?

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"Jamaica, have class right on the beach, booyakasha!"

"Egypt, to play with the mummies."

"Hong Kong, the most romantic city in the world."

"I hear Iraq is nice this time of year."

"France, just because it seems right."

"I hear Pasquailla East is nice this time of year."

OFFBEAT

Enormous lobster donated to Pittsburgh Zoo

PITTSBURGH — He could be older than Warner Bros. studio, General Motors, the Boy Scouts and the states of Arizona and New Mexico. He could have survived two world wars and Prohibition. He could have been dinnied.

He’s Bubba, a 22-pound, Leviathan of a lobster pulled from the waters off Nantucket, Mass., and shipped to a Pittsburgh fish market. The lobster has been kept in a tank near a fish counter in Wholey’s Market since Thursday while owner Bob Wholey tried to figure out what to do with it. "It is overwhelming," Wholey said. "If you see it, you will never forget it. Custumers are just in awe."

On Tuesday, Wholey gave the lobster to the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium, which will send him to an aquarium at a Ripley’s Believe it or Not museum.

Teachers refuse to assign homework

BERKELEY, Calif. — Students in the Berkeley school district aren’t getting written homework assignments because teachers are refusing to grade work on their own time after two years without a pay raise.

So far, a black history event had to be canceled and parents had to staff a middle-school science fair because teachers are sicking strictly to the hours they’re contracted to work.

"Teachers do a lot with a little. All of a sudden, a lot of things that they do are just gone. It’s demoralizing," said Rachel Baker, who has a son in kindergarten.

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Students fold "Gay? Fine by Me" T-shirts Tuesday night in O’Shaughnessy Hall for gay, lesbian, bisexual and queer awareness week.

IN BRIEF

ProHealth will conduct blood pressure and body fat screenings from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today in the Grace Hall lobby. The wellness assessments are available to all ND faculty and staff. No appointment is necessary.

There will be a panel discussion today titled “National Debate on the Death Penalty” at 4:15 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center auditorium. The panel will feature former Illinois death row inmate Madison Hobley and Bill Pelke, president of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

French poet Emmanuel Moses will read excerpts from “Last News of Mr. Nobody” tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

Students in the department of film, television and theatre will perform a production of "The Laramie Project" this evening at 7:30 p.m. in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. The performance is part of the Spring ArtsFest and has a theme of tolerance and reconciliation.

The Higgins Labor Research Center is sponsoring a viewing of the film "On the Waterfront" Thursday at 4 p.m. in C-100 Hesburgh Center.

The women’s lacrosse team faces Northwestern Thursday at 4:30 p.m. at the Moose Krause Field.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to....
Students confirm abroad plans

Students hoping to travel abroad next year gather for an information session in DeBartolo Hall Tuesday evening. Deadlines for some of the programs have been extended.

By JOHN EVERETT
News Writer

Nearly all of the Notre Dame sophomores recently accepted to one of the numerous study abroad programs offered by the University seized their opportunity and confirmed they will enroll to study internationally next year. Although the International Study office did not have exact figures, they estimated only two or three accepted applicants per program did not confirm.

Those who were accepted into programs needed to confirm their intention of going abroad last week.

Students who were not accepted to one of the Notre Dame programs were encouraged to seek other options to spend a semester abroad.

Thomas Bogenschield, director of international study programs, said his department advises Notre Dame students to apply to one of the Saint Mary's study abroad programs, though the College does not have destinations in all of the countries that Notre Dame does.

Further, in those countries in which both institutions do maintain programs, they are usually in different cities. For instance, the Notre Dame Ireland program is based in Dublin whereas the Saint Mary's program is in Maynooth.

Sophomore Michael French is currently in such a situation. French applied for the Notre Dame program in Toledo, Spain, but was denied. He is now trying to find other ways to get to Spain, but is having trouble with the technicalities.

"To go through another university's program you need a leave of absence, and they only have 16 leaves for the whole school," French said. "Plus, if someone wants to go for a full year, that takes up two leaves of absence. There just aren't enough."

He also said that he was trying to acquire a leave of absence as opposed to going through Saint Mary's because he would rather go to Toledo than to Seville, where the women's college maintains its program. If he cannot get a leave of absence, however, he will apply to travel abroad through Saint Mary's.

Bogenschield had further advice for those students who aren't so specific on where they wish to study.

"There are slots still in Tokyo; you don't even have to speak Japanese and you can spend a semester in Tokyo," Bogenschield said.

But Tokyo is just one example. Many programs have extended their application deadlines for the 2006 spring semester abroad to May 1. These include Athens, Beijing, Berlin, Cairo, Monterrey and Puebla, Mexico, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago, Chile, and Shanghai.

Bogenschield said the extension was not at all unusual.

"We do it every year," he said.

Bogenschield did foresee this extension having any drastic effects on either the students who have already been accepted or those who will be accepted sometime after May 1.

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Mendoza to receive new program director

Harvey to serve as head of MSA Program

Special to the Observer

Thomas J. Harvey has been appointed director of the Master of Science in Administration (MSA) Program in the College of Business. Harvey most recently served as senior vice-president of the member service division as the Alliance for Children and Families in Milwaukee. He also taught in a certificate program on nonprofit management for the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay.

"Tom's experience, network, energy and vision will be a tremendous asset for the MSA Program," said Carolyn Y. Woo, dean.

Gil(len Dean of the College. Established in 1954, the MSA program is designed to honor the administrative leadership skills of people working in social service organizations. The program was restructured in 2001 to include a core curriculum of courses on grant writing, development, financial management, marketing, accounting, human resource management, communications, and ethics, all tailored for the not-for-profit sector.

Harvey, who has held a variety of professional and social service positions for 35 years, served as president of Catholic Charities USA from 1982 to 1992. In 2003, he was named to Social Work Education named Harvey one of the 51 leaders in the field of social work during the past 50 years.

Professor to deliver distinguished lecture

Nancy Folbre, professor of economics at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, will deliver the Provost's Distinguished Women's Lecture at 7 p.m. March 14 in 126 DeBartolo Hall.

Titled "The Great Imaginary Strike of Parents and Other Care Workers: An Economic Scenario," the lecture is free and open to the public.

An internationally recognized scholar in the area of feminist economics and the economics of caring labor, Folbre is president of the International Association for Feminist Economics. She is a recipient of a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship, a grant from the National Science Foundation, and a post-doctoral fellowship from Yale University. She has been a consultant to the International Labor Office, the World Bank, the Population Council, and the Royal Swedish Academy of Science.

Notre Dame Disability Awareness Month

March 2005

Notre Dame

Disability Awareness Month

Tuesday, 3/15

Sujet Desai will be playing the violin, clarinet and piano.
He graduated from the Berkshire Music Academy and was born with Down syndrome.
7 p.m. Washington Hall, Free Admission

Saturday, 3/19

Come to the Best Buddies Friendship Games and interact with children and adults with special needs.
12 noon-2 p.m. Logan Center Gym

Monday, 3/21

Head Football Coach Charlie Weis, 8 p.m. DeBartolo 102
Coach Weis will be speaking about disability awareness.

Tuesday, 3/29

Students with Disabilities Discussion, 8 p.m. Legends

www.nd.edu/~bbuddies

And Cheerleader Tryouts 2005

Information Meeting March 15 @ 5:30 p.m.
Gym 2 (above Gate 10 of the Joyce Center). All are welcome — come see what cheerleading at Notre Dame is all about....
Pope

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director of Theology on Tap, said he has great faith in the pontiff, who has managed to defy predictions of impending death for many years. "It seems people have been predicting his demise for years and years. I heard the pope wasn't going to live through the year back in the '80s," Steele said. "I don't think we can assume he will step down."

And, in St. Peter's Square, the pope has no intention of doing so. In fact, Steele believes, the pope will steadfastly carry on demonstrating the power of faith and the need for respect for life at all ages.

Faculty

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to foster a strong relationship with Notre Dame's professors as a key characteristic of a new provost. "They have to communicate well in an increasingly wide constituency," said Senate chair Seth Brown. "One of the things that I think faculty appreciate is direct communication — there seems to be a long way toward softening the blows of unfavorable decisions." 

Jenkins told senators that all search committee deliberations must remain confidential but faculty comments on potential candidates would be used to determine a final choice. The search committee has said previously that it will consider individuals inside and outside of the University and may not have a new provost until the fall 2005 semester.

In other Faculty Senate news:

• Brandenberger said he was still searching for additional faculty to serve on the student and faculty committee tasked with developing a mechanism for students to provide information to other students about their courses. The committee, which stemmed from a proposal made by associate provost Dennis Jacobs to senate in November, will remain stalled until at least one additional faculty member comes forward, Brandenberger said.

• The student affairs committee discussed potential revisions to the handling of honor code violations proposed by the Academic Council. Brandenberger said the Council will consider allowing faculty to directly determine penalties in chastising cases, rather than forwarding them to departmental honor code committees.

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Fellows

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course includes all my graduate students. It also pleases me because it increases the visibility of the physics department," according to the 10P Web site, the United Kingdom-based organization selects fellows based on their "exceptionally important services in the field of physics." 

Furdyna, a professor of condensed matter physics was acknowledged for his overall work within the field of physics, according to the Notre Dame press release. Furdyna studies new semiconducting compounds and the subsequent analysis of their physical properties. 

Rigbi and Dobrowolski-Furdyna join the half of one percent of APS members — including 15 current Notre Dame physicists — who are elected by the society as fellows.

Furdyna also enters a highly-selective group. According to 10G bylaws listed on the Institute's Web site, the total number of fellows may not exceed 30.

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Lottery

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"Due to the secure nature of the event," the press release said, "the tickets for admission to the event on Friday will be tied to the names on the Notre Dame student [identification card]."

Flaherty said the Student Activities Office called him at 9 a.m., telling him of the tickets, and SAB immediately sprung into action, drafting a press release and working to "get the information disseminated to students through class council e-mail lists.

"SAB felt this would be an excellent opportunity for Notre Dame students," he said, "and wanted to facilitate the distribution of tickets for the students.

Democratic and Republican students alike said they are planning on entering the lottery — or that they would enter, if their spring break plans didn't interfere. "I think I'd be interested in going to the event, although I'm not fascinated by the topic of Social Security," Fangborn junior Eileen Varga said. "I think I'll definitely try to get tickets." O'Neill freshman Eric Hoffman, on the other hand, said he was intrigued by the topic. "I'd like to go if I weren't leaving earlier [on Friday]," he said. "I'd like to learn more about how he's trying to implement his Social Security policy.

Freshman Sara Snider said she was "definitely interested in lining up for tickets, and that she felt it was a good opportunity for the student body.

"As a student and part of this community, if you're going to go to any event this year, this would be it," she said. "If you have the ability to see the president speak, no matter what your political views are, I'd say it's something you should do."

Varga agreed, and said she believed such an event would have an impact on any student's life. "I would think the majority of students would want to go see the president in person," she said. "I'll try to get tickets, I don't remember throughout your lifetime."

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**URUGUAY**

First socialist leader sworn in

President-elect Vazquez promises to help the poor rebound from 2002 depression

Associated Press

MONTEVIDEO — A doctor took office as Uruguay's first socialist president Tuesday, joining the ranks of left-leaning leaders in Latin America, now six in all governing a majority of the region's people with a cautious approach to regional integration and backed free-market policies.

In one of his first official acts, Tabare Vazquez restored full diplomatic ties with communist Cuba, more than two years after a diplomatic row divided the countries.

Thousands of Uruguayans, many waving flags and chanting "Uruguay," filled Montevideo's streets for the inauguration of Vazquez, a 58-year-old orthopedic specialist whose swearing-in ended more than 170 years of power by two conservative parties.

Vazquez, elected Oct. 31 to replace Jorge Ruddle, is part of a reinvigorated, but far less ideological, leftist movement in Latin America whose leaders have come to power amid economic turmoil. He took the office of one of his five-year term with many of South America's new generation of leftist leaders looking on.

"I have not come alone," Vazquez said at the packed ceremony at Congress. "I take with me the president of the republic with the support of hundreds of thousands of compatriots who expressed their democratic will last Oct. 31 for a better country for all Uruguayan." 

At least 150,000 people turned out for his inauguration, Vazquez is the country's first socialist leader.

Celebration in the streets of Montevideo, Uruguay, Tuesday was in honor of Tabare Vazquez's inauguration. Vazquez is the country's first socialist leader.

**WORLD & NATION**

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Wednesday, March 2, 2005

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

Drugs threaten Afghan democracy

VIENNA, Austria — Drug trafficking threatens the stability in Afghanistan and hinder development in Iraq as the two countries attempt to emerge from conflict and forge functioning democracies, a key U.N. drug control body warned in a report released Wednesday.

The International Narcotics Control Board said drug production in Afghanistan was so widespread it has "come a wave to prevail" to this new democracy, as well as the stability and economic recovery of the country as a whole.

Drug production in Afghanistan reached a record level in 2004, defying efforts to curb production.

"We are expecting that the international community will help Afghanistan so that the issue can be corrected before it's too late and Afghanistan will not become another narco state," Hamid Ghodse, president of the Vienna-based board, told reporters Tuesday. "Once it becomes another narco state, the rule of the law, the democracy, everything, will go out of the window." 

**NATIONAL NEWS**

Bush frustrated with Congress

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Tuesday dismissed criticism that his plan to stiffen public discourse on religious charity might discriminate against people who do not support such giving and said any compromise should have an "all drunks are welcome" policy.

"That one was a very nice house; now look at it," says Tang, a former member of his village of Liuqiuang, a suburb of the lakeside eastern Chinese city of Wuxi, was reduced to rubble to make way for urban sprawl.

"This land was inherited from our ancestors, generation after generation," said Tang, a robust, soft-spoken 68-year-old. "But they just auctioned it off without even notifying us. The local government isn't obeying the laws or national policy."

**LOCAL NEWS**

Death row inmate shows remorse

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. — A man facing execution later this month said in a death row interview this month that he had turned his life around since he murdered an Evansville couple and their two children.

Sherry and Dennis Rish were murdered in their apartment in June 1979. Authorities have not arrested a suspect in the case.

"I would like people to know I'm rational. I'm not a raving maniac," Donald Ray Wallace told Indianapolis television station WTHR in an interview broadcast Tuesday.

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Law enforcement officials attending the state's first summit on identity theft asked Monday for more money to combat the crime in California, where the only state believed to have more than 1 million victims last year.

"We cannot keep up with the demand for resources," said Santa Clara County Sheriff Tom Hartwig, whose office is trying to keep up with weekly requests for help with identity theft.

For example, the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department has more than 20,000 identity theft cases last year, said Jonathan Fairbaugh, a county prosecutor. The county prosecuted only about 220 cases, he said.

"California's high numbers could be partly the result of reporting requirements in state legislation designed to clamp down on identity theft, experts said.

In July 2003, California became the first state to require companies to notify customers whenever security breaches expose personal data. In the most egregious cases, executives must also alert news organizations and issue news releases about security failures.

In addition, California is the only state where consumers can order a "credit freeze" with major credit bureaus. A freeze requires lenders, retailers, utilities and other businesses to get special access to credit reports through a PIN-based system and helps prevent imposters from getting any new loans and credit.

**Identity theft investigations costly**
Serial killer charged with murdering ten
Former scout leader attends hearing via video

Associated Press

PORT-AR-PRINCE — Out­
gunned, undermanned and
blamed for some of the coun­
ty's violence, Haitian police
are under pressure to mend
decades of mistrust before
elections next fall that many
people fear are destined for
bloodshed.

The United States and United
Nations have repeat­
edly tried and failed to build
an evenhanded police force
over the years, and offered
help again last year after
rebels ousted President Jean­
Bertrand Aristide during a
three-week revolt.

But Haitians, who have
seen a string of governments
use the police to misuse
force, say officers still
operate above the law, tar­
geting opponents and using
trigger-happy tactics.

 Violence has come in waves
since September, with some
400 civilians and 25 police
slain, according to the
National Coalition for Haitian
Rights and an Associated
Press count.

On Monday, five officers
were killed in a shooting
at a pro-Aristide slum.

Brazilian peacekeeper

Call for Student Nominations

The College of Science
invites student nominations for
Kaneb Teaching Award

Take advantage of the opportunity to nominate your best professor in the College of Science for a Kaneb Teaching Award.

Nomination forms may be found on the College of Science webpage at: www.science.nd.edu or you may pick up a nomination form in the Dean's Office, 174 Hurley Hall

Deadline for nomination is Friday, March 4

Return to: Sr. Kathleen Cannon, O.P., Associate Dean
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174 Hurley Hall

Haitians fed up with brutality, fear violence of local authorities

Aristide supporters marking
the first anniversary of his
flight from Haiti with demands
that he return from
exile in South Africa.

A little more than a year
ago, police were shooting at
demonstrators calling for
Aristide's return. Former
soldiers responded by lead­
ing a revolt that ousted
Aristide and left dozens of
police officers dead ormutilated.

"Police could have hit us by shooting that way."

Brazilian peacekeeper

37,000 officers.

Haitian police are also out­
gunned. The officers, armed
with new M-16 rifles, sawed­
off shotguns and pistols,
must patrol slums filled with
Aristide supporters who often
have better weapons that
were lost during the uprising.

Despite numerous telepho­
ne calls and a visit to the
police headquarters over
more than a week, the
Associated Press was unable
to get police com­
manders to com­
ment on the situa­
tion.

Violence has worsened since
police fired on a group of Aristide
supporters in September,
killing two people. The next
day, the bodies of three
beheaded officers were found
in a pro-Aristide slum.

Civilians blame police for
the deaths of at least eight of
19 people shot to death since
Friday in Port-au-Prince, the
capital.

U.N. Gen. Augusto Heleno
Ribeiro, the Brazilian com­
mander of the U.N. peace
keeping mission, confirmed
that police killed six people
Friday in Bel Air, a hotspot of
Aristide militants where
Monday's protest took place.

Residents said police fired
indiscriminately while peace­
keepers stood by.

No U.N. forces were involved
in the raid.
Enron audio tapes go public

Accumulation of evidence against energy corporation builds up

\[\text{Enron founder and former CEO Kenneth Lay is escorted in handcuffs by federal officers in Houston, Tex. on July 8, 2004.}\]

\[\text{WASHINGTON — Audio tapes made public Tuesday indicate at least 1,500 conversations, which traders employed by disgraced energy giant Enron Corp., engaged in discussions involving violations of federal regulations that should not be excluded from today’s tapes.}\]

\[\text{The comment came as the regulatory agency released on its Web site transcripts of thousands of hours of conversations involving Enron energy traders.}\]

\[\text{The tapes contain enough information that there is “sufficient public benefit to be garnered from further review” of the transcripts, which could take thousands of hours to complete, said Patrick Crowley, an economist in FERC’s office of administrative litigation.}\]

\[\text{Crawley’s comment — and the release of the new transcripts — represents a victory for the Shonehims County, Wash., Public Utility District, which filed a complaint with FERC in early 2001, the FERCillegal to be notarized with fraud and conspiracy charges.} \]

\[\text{The tapes prove to be the premier case to emerge from the Justice Department’s investigation of a rash of corporate scandals that began with Houston-based Enron’s swift fall into bankruptcy after an accounting scandal came to light in December 2001.}\]

\[\text{In testimony filed Tuesday, FERC staff cited new evidence in which Enron’s own lawyers recognized the incriminating nature of the audio tapes as early as October 2001, writing in a memorandum that, “We have already heard several conversations that should not be produced” in response to power market litigation.}\]

\[\text{Sen. Maria Cantwell, D-Wash., called FERC’s decision to review the transcripts an about-face, saying FERC staff initially tried to exclude the tapes from evidence.}\]

\[\text{“The fact this evidence almost fell through the cracks is not acceptable,” Cantwell said. “Federal regulators shouldn’t have to be embarrassed into doing their jobs. They’re supposed to be the cops on the beat, standing between consumers and the mass public mugging that took place at the hands of Enron.”} \]

FERC spokesman Bryan Lee disputed Cantwell’s comments, saying the commission “will continue to be guided by the facts and not politics.”

A spokesman for the Shonehims Co. PUD also welcomed the release of the audio transcripts.

“Certainly it’s an encouraging sign in that federal regulators are taking a much closer look at some of this evidence that we’ve been long held is key to our case and the plight of Western consumers as a whole,” Shonehims spokesman Neil Neroutsos said.

\[\text{Disability puts a strain on families}\]

\[\text{NEW YORK — Millions of American parents struggle with the day-to-day responsibilities of caring for physically disabled children, but often their biggest challenge is putting financial strategies in place to ensure their kids are taken care of as they all grow older.}\]

\[\text{“I will die a happy person if I can find a way so they can live and be happy and be productive, too,” Christine Krieger said. Krieger, who is 42, added: “Putting things in place gives you peace of mind.”} \]

\[\text{The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that more than one in 10 Americans between the ages of 16 and 64 suffer from some physical, mental or emotional impairment. Finding the right services, and arranging future financial support, can be particularly tricky because parents can’t risk jeopardizing a disabled person’s public benefits.}\]

\[\text{Many of the disabled qualify for government-sponsored care or training programs. They also can get financial help through the Supplemental Security Income program, which provides a monthly allowance and generally ensures that the disabled person is eligible for important Medicaid health benefits.}\]

\[\text{But that assistance could be cut off if parents or well-meaning grandparents give a few thousand dollars to a disabled grandchild, unwittingly making them ineligible for SSI and health care because their assets sur­­pass the $2,000 limit, according to the ARC of the United States, a national organization based in Silver Spring, Md., for the mentally and developmentally disabled.}\]
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The things they carry

One of my favorite poems, "Incident" by Countee Cullen, characterizes the personal pain of racists for receivers of oppression. In the piece, the protagonist—a small eight-year-old black boy—encounters a white youth of similar age on a Baltimore street. The white youth calls our protagonist the most pejorative term used against blacks without provocation or discernible reason. Most potently, this brief poem ends with the speaker reflecting on the interaction: "I saw the whole of Baltimore, from May to December, of all the things that happened there, that's all that I remember." As Cullen expresses in verse, a single incident of racial oppression has the ability to overshadow a person's perception of the world and of himself.

The powerlessness felt by targets of any type of prejudice is debilitating and staggering. Language is crucial in this discussion. Our tone, manner and voice all communicate stereotypical and prejudice. Further, certain words—like the pejorative "in-word" from Cullen’s poem—carry centuries of oppression, violent and destructive baggage. I would like to consider the effect of these words on people of the oppressed groups. People who utter these discriminatory words have various motives, yet their use, whether maliciously or inadvertently, often results in degradation of the oppressed groups. We, in the broader discourse of prejudice, a way to deconstruct systems of oppression through language, as well as a process of addressing the real feelings of debt. The private pain of the oppressed is sacrificed and silenced as society endeavors to make racism, sexism and heterosexism unimportant and invisible through political correctness or ignorance.

I have heard many stories of Notre Dame students suffering this private pain of prejudice. While some would have us believe we are beyond the days of racial subjugation, people still find themselves in isolated situations due to derogatory words. To my expe­rience, two of my worst days here have been of such result language use. As a sophomore, someone from my residence staff flippantly insulted I thought myself light enough to "pass" for white. As a light-skinned black person, passing and racial iden­tity have played big parts in my develop­ment. During that incident in my dorm, I felt betrayed by Notre Dame’s promises of family and isolated in my feelings of outrage.

The second time was in a classroom this school year. A fellow student used a racially pejorative word to illustrate her point. While the student’s inten­tions were not malicious, the effect of hearing the word in class outside of the context of an explicitly race-relat­ed conversation was jarring. My peer’s unwitting utterance of the “n-word” illuminated the feelings of exclusion and discrimination I and other minorities feel in small does sometimes daily. Being the only black, Latino or Asian in a class, being expected to speak or represent your race during class lectures, never see­ing religious icons reflecting your eth­nic heritage and being assumed to be an athlete based on skin color weigh on the hearts and minds of minorities.

We must not underestimate the abil­ity of language to exert the forces of domination and oppression. The private pain of the oppressed is sacrificed and silenced as society endeavors to make derogatory name, that is a violent act. That comment, in the context of a play about the murder of a young gay man, gives us pause. When we recog­nize language as a tool to exert power on others, we have a frame through which to evaluate our actions and their consequences. Seeking reconcili­ation when we harm others with words repairs a relationship and opens a place for discussion and growth. To further ignore our mishaps in speech adds to the violence of our words.

We look to a day, as a goal, when these words and their speakers no longer have the power to disrupt peo­ple’s lives. Until then, what can we do to have constructive discussions of modern prejudice with the words of hate? Perhaps discussing the origins and uses of these words to understand our continued effect, analyzing on parameters for discussion that uphold everyone’s dignity while still encouraging controversial ideas and responding to insecurity as the discus­sion progresses may be helpful foun­dational rules. We can create in our communities and in ourselves spaces in which matters of race, sex or sexu­al orientation can be discussed con­structively and non-violently. I charge all of us, as our student leaders look for systemic answers to group divisions, to be proactive vessels of the change we need at Notre Dame. Through our deeds and our words we either do the work of love and inclusion, or of hate and violence towards others.

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Think ahead, if you can, to the summer. What are you planning to do with your

summer? Is it a time to relax and have fun, or do you have a specific plan or commitment there? But what about your under­

summer? Some people take the easy road — they find a summer job and try
to earn some cash before school starts again, they wend their way on Halo 2, they “take it easy.”

I’m not trying to suggest taking it easy is

wrong. We call it summer relaxation for a reason. But vacation doesn’t entail
forgetting our obligations. For Cathol­ics, this means a special Mass attendance policy. We don’t suspend our commitment to service. In
other words, there is a difference between “taking it easy” — a natural development of this season, and “taking the summer off.” Taking the summer off is exactly what we shouldn’t do.

Instead, we are called to take our faith

seriously while we take it easy. Countless people have been moved by their
eloquent testimony of religious fervor. They do summer service proj­

ects through the Center for Social Concerns domestically and abroad. They
work in programs like Camp Kesem, Notre Dame Vision and National Youth
Sports Program. And many others, even as they opt for jobs and Halo 2, incorpo­
rate service into their summer work and worship as well.

I encourage everyone to follow suit.

Make a visit to the Center for Social
Concerns and find out what you can do.

Seek out a parish, a town, a campus, or
people who serve in the places you’ll live while school’s out. There are so many opportuni­
ties to live out the gospel during the months of summer. And I’d like to sug­
gest one more.

How about being pilgrims?

“Pilgrims?” you ask. “We haven’t been

pilgrims since the second grade. Thanksgiving pageant at Our Lady of the Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy Rosary! And those pilgrimages to the shrine?”

The pilgrims I’m talking about don’t need big papal hats — although we wouldn’t be very cool if you wore them anyway. For most Americans, pilgrimages merely call to mind turkeys and cos­
tumes. But our faith has a rich and won­

able tradition of pilgrimage. Relatives throughout the ages have traveled to holy

places to pay their respects — Canterbury, Santiago de Compostella, Rome.

Joseph of Arimathea journey to sites of significance, where saints have lived and martyrs have fall­
en, where God appeared and Jesus walked.

The journey occurs on two levels. One involves a new exterior pilgrimages physically move towards their destination. But

the interior pilgrimage is more impor­
tant. In it, the pilgrims sojourn through reflection, they explore themselves before moving outside to join together the Lord who creates and con­
trols their destiny. When the pilgrims return, even though they come back to the same place they left, they are, in fact, transformed by the interior and exterior pilgrimage into stronger believers and better leaders.

Fortunately this tradition continues in

Catholicism. This summer it will be alive and well in the city of Cologne, Germany. Cologne is the site of World Youth Day 2005 on Aug. 21. On that day, the pope will say Mass with 150,000 or more who’ve traveled from all over the world to celebrate the Church’s commun­
itv. These pilgrims will enjoy a weekend of festivities beforehand: praying, listening to talks, hearing Mass and sharing their experi­
cences with Catholics from around the
world. I attended the last World Youth Day in

Toronto in 2002 as a student. Through the pilgrimage I gained several new friends from Notre Dame and elsewhere. And, by voyage to the place, by participat­
ing in the Mass with our incredible page, we all felt a new sense of family and a challenge to carry it back with us. The people I went with returned to campus and became some of its greatest leaders. The pilgrimage’s influence was remark­able.

Cologne is calling, and this pilgrimage

makes the same promise. Campus Ministry is organizing a contingent to go once more. Parishes, dioceses and
groups all over the country are gearing up for the journey. I encourage you to consider joining all of us as pilgrims. Check with your diocese back bureau. Pick up an application to be part of Campus Ministry’s group at our website

wuyd.sud.edu. You’d be back in time for classes to start, and you’d be a better summer person for it.

Like I said, summer’s coming and it’s time to start making choices.

So what are you planning to do for yourself?

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Let’s act with class

IRISH BASKETBALL?

With just two critical home games remaining on the schedule, the men’s basketball team needs the fans’ support more than ever to make

a run at the NCAA Tournament. The Leoprechaun Legion hopes to pro­
vide as much of that support as possible. However, a problem has been brought to our attention that must be addressed.

At the Boston College game, the Big East commissioner complained about students yelling the word “sacks” after each opposing player’s introduction. This has been a long-standing tradition at Notre Dame, but one that does not sit well with some fans and administrators. After the complaints, the athletic department asked the Legion to help

end this chanting. If it does not stop, we were told that they will take away giveaways and pizza before the games, and will stop acknow­

ledging the student section during Notre Dame player introductions.

We obviously do not want this to happen. With that in mind, we are asking the students at the Rutgers game to sit in their seats and read the negative articles provided, completely ignoring the Scarlet Knights. If we refrain from yelling “sacks,” then students will avoid a negative out­

come.

We understand this jest is something that has taken place for many years and it is a difficult task to curb it so quickly. Despite this, it will

annoy everyone more if we do not change it and change this trend. Let’s start Wednesday with player introductions, then watch the Irish
take down Rutgers.

The next game will likely be the last of the season for most students, give our seniors a loud round of applause for their countless contribu­
tions to the team. However, the fans provided, completely ignoring the Scarlet Knights. If we refrain from yelling “sacks,” then students will avoid a negative out­

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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From acrobats to singers to pianists to performers of traditional African music, Notre Dame offers special entertainment throughout the spring semester.

**Unique performances come to ND**

By MARIA SMITH

**Scene Editor**

Spring break might be the top event on most people's minds right now, but the week following the break offers a great deal for fine arts aficionados upon their return.

The experiences offered in March are truly unique and tickets for more popular shows may disappear quickly, so take a look before heading out for the week.

**The National Acrobatst of Taiwan, ROC**

This troupe of acrobats from the Fu Hsing Academy has traveled around the nation performing spectacular feats.

The acrobats are famous for using household items like tables and chairs in their performances. In the past, they have been known to balance on stools 30 feet high, spin numerous plates on sticks simultaneously and balance 12 acrobats on a single bicycle.

The average acrobat trains for eight years before performing in the show. Their director, Lo Jih-Hung, was also co-director of the Golden Dragon Acrobats during the 1980s.

The National Acrobats of Taiwan, ROC will perform March 14 at 8 p.m. The show is part of ND Presents, a series of international shows brought to the Music and Performing Arts Center on the Notre Dame campus. Tickets are available at the center and range from $20-$45.

**Ronan Tynan**

This former member of the Irish Tenors is known for the clarity of his voice.

Ronan Tynan, a former member of the Irish Tenors, is known for his vocal power. He has sung for some of the most famous people in the world — including at the wedding of New York Mayor Rudy Guiliani, during the seventh inning at many New York Yankees games and at the funeral of Ronald Reagan.

But this remarkable singer only began voice lessons at the age of 33. Tynan had both legs amputated below the knee after a car accident at the age of 20, and before beginning his career as a musician worked as a certified medical doctor in the field of orthopedic sports injuries. Tynan also won 15 gold medals and 14 world records as a multitalented athlete in the Paralympics between 1991 and 1994.

Now the singer is famous for his diverse performances ranging from Verdi's "Requiem" to the hymn "How Great Thou Art" to the pop classic "From a Distance." No matter what he is performing Tynan's voice remains one of the clearest and most beautiful in the world.

Ronan Tynan will perform in the Leighton Concert Hall Thursday, March 17 at 8 p.m. Tickets cost $20 for students, $37 for seniors, $40 for faculty and staff and $50 for the general public.

**Emmanuel Ax and Yefim Bronfman**

Classical pianists and Grammy winners Ax and Bronfman are proof that there are few languages as international as classical music.

Ax was born in Lvov, Poland. At the age of six he began to study piano in Warsaw. After his family moved to North America in 1961, Ax began his studies at the Julliard School of Music.

Bronfman was born in Tsadkent, the current capital of Uzbekistan, which was at that time part of the Soviet Union. Bronfman immigrated to Israel in 1973 and auditioned for the Israel Philharmonic at the age of 15.

Both artists have performed around the world. Bronfman, who performed Shostakovich's Piano Concerto No. 2 in Fantasia/2000, performed the piece in New York, London, Paris, Tokyo and Los Angeles for the gala screenings of the film. Ax has performed with the London Symphony Orchestra, Orchestre National de France, Swiss Romande and DSO Berlin, and is sought for performances around the United States.

Ax was awarded a Grammy for his performance of the Haydn Piano Sonatas. Bronfman was also given the award in 1997 for his performances of Bartok's Three Piano Concertos with the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

The two pianists produced their first famous duet collaboration in 2002 with the release of the rarely recorded Rachmaninoff pieces for four hands. Their current tour includes pieces for four hands by Debyussy, Ravel and Stravinsky.

Emmanuel Ax and Yefim Bronfman will perform March 18 at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall. Tickets cost $15 for students, $36 for seniors, $38 for faculty and staff and $48 for the general public.

**Ladysmith Black Mambazo**

From the past 15 years, these singers of traditional South African music have become cultural ambassadors around the world. The group sings a style called isicathamiya, which was first sung by black South African mine workers. The music was forbidden under apartheid and Mambazo has since become a national treasure as it has been brought back to worldwide attention.

Mambazo accompanied the South African President F. W. deKlerk to the Nobel Peace ceremony in Oslo, Norway in 1993 and performed at Nelson Mandela's inauguration in 1994.

The full, rich and rhythmic a capella sound of Mambazo is perhaps most famous for its appearance on Paul Simon's 1986 release "Graceland." The album was one of the most important works in a burst of world music that entered popular culture and was certainly instrumental to Mambazo's fame.

"Shaka Zulu," the group's first U.S. release, won a Grammy for Best Traditional Folk Album. Since then the group has been nominated for six additional Grammys. Mambazo has also performed with Stevie Wonder, Dolly Parton and Ben Harper. Their performance on Sesame Street with Paul Simon is also one of the top three most requested segments of the show's history.

With the talent and political power of Mambazo are truly few and far between.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo will perform Sunday, March 20 at 8 p.m. at the Leighton Concert Hall. Tickets are $25 for students, $28 for faculty and staff and $35 for the general public.

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**The National Acrobatst of Taiwan, ROC**

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Ladysmith Black Mambazo performs in a style called isicathamiya, which originated in South Africa.

Emmanuel Ax, left, and Yefim Bronfman are world famous pianists and Grammy winners. Their famous duet collection was released in 2002.
Nanovic Institute presents European films

By BECCA SAUNDERS

As South Bend winter continues into March, Notre Dame students will not need to look far to find an entertaining and culturally expanding activity. In fact, one need only look as far as the Broders Cinema in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts to discover a world of cinema waiting to be viewed.

The Browning Cinema shown films of various genres throughout the year, but many of the Thursday night allots of this semester are dedicated to showing films that are part of the 2004-2005 Nanovic Institute series of contemporary film called "European Cinemas, European Histories." Prior to their 7 p.m. showings, the films are generally introduced by a person with some sort of relationship to the subject of the film or to the film itself.

"Soldiers of Salamina" (Spain 2003) will be shown on April 7. "Soldiers of Salamina" (Spain 2003) was directed by David Trueba and is a story of a young novelist in Spain. The Nanovic Institute Web site summarizes the plot about the young novelist, "who has lost her inspiration" and thus "investigates a true story from the end of the Civil War involving the infamous writer and ideological fascists, Rafael Sanchez Mazas. She discovers that he escaped from mass execution with the help of an anonymous young soldier. The novelist gradually pieces together this story, riddled with contradictions and enigmatic characters. Unwittingly, as her search progresses, it is not only about finding the truth that she is after, but finding herself as well."

"European Cinemas, European Histories" constitutes quite a lineup for this spring and offers a handful of quality films from around the world that have gained notice and acclaim. The Nanovic Institute series of contemporary foreign films will provide a unique form of entertainment for any student willing to commit a Thursday night to broadening his or her cinematic horizons.

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Wednesday, March 2, 2005

Nanovic Institute series of contemporary film:

"European Cinemas, European Histories"

March 3

"La Mala educacion/ Bad Education" (Spanish 2004)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

7 p.m. show introduced by Marvin D'Lugo of Clark University

"Rosenstrasse" (Germany 2003)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

7 p.m. show introduced by Nathan Stoltzfus of Florida State University

March 17

"Soldiers of Salamina" (Spain 2003)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

7 p.m. show introduced by Robert Fishman of Notre Dame

March 31

"Captains of April" (Portugal 2000)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

7 p.m. show introduced by Professor Marvin D'Lugo from Clark University

April 7

"Soldiers of Salamina" (Spain 2003)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Presented by ND Cinema

Shown in the Browning Cinema in the PAC

"Rosenstrasse" is told through the flashbacks of Lena Fischer, who participates in a protest against the German Nazis of 1943.

The Portuguese film "Captains of April" (Portugal 2000), which was directed by Maria de Medeiros. Robert Fishman from the department of sociology will introduce the 7 p.m. screening. The Nanovic Institute Web site explains the film "isn't a documentary about the 1974 revolution in Portugal, but it gives us an idea of how it was like. The heroic actions of Captain Salgueiro Maja aren't exaggerations and the film is also a tribute for his deeds."

The final film of the Nanovic Institute film series will show on April 7. "Soldiers of Salamina" (Spain 2003) was directed by David Trueba and is a story of a young novelist in Spain. The Nanovic Institute Web site summarizes the plot about the young novelist, "who has lost her inspiration" and thus "investigates a true story from the end of the Civil War involving the infamous writer and ideological fascists, Rafael Sanchez Mazas. She discovers that he escaped from mass execution with the help of an anonymous young soldier. The novelist gradually pieces together this story, riddled with contradictions and enigmatic characters. Unwittingly, as her search progresses, it is not only about finding the truth that she is after, but finding herself as well."

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PGA

Top competitors to take the green at Doral

Monetary incentive entices players to make appearance at Ford Championship

Associated Press

MIAMI — The stars are aligned in Miami, and some believe it's no accident. The Ford Championship at Doral begins on Thursday with only player missing from the field the PGA Tour this year. The only player missing from the top 12 in the world ranking is No. 3 Ernie Els, who has played the PGA Tour Classic every year since winning Doral in 2002. A small part of the tournament began Monday. Across town at Indian Creek Country Club, Ford Motor Co. had a corporate outing involving Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson (No. 5), Sergio Garcia (No. 6) and Padraig Harrington (No. 8). And they didn't show up out of the goodness of their heart. "It's a corporate outing early in the tournament week," said Duke Butler, vice president of tournament logistics and affairs at the PGA Tour. "It's not unlike a number of things that have gone on for years. None of those stipulate that you must play in the tournament." Ford did not need to invite Phil Mickelson (No. 4) to the outing, because he already has an endorsement deal with the Masters champion. Lefy played with select Ford dealers on a different golf course Tuesday. What gives the Doral field some serious pop is Tiger Woods, the top draw anywhere in the world. Woods wasn't included in the outing for obvious reasons — he is sponsored by Buick, and $150,000 is chump change for a guy who commands $3 million when he goes overseas.

Still, the corporate day with four players — all of them IMG clients — has become such an issue that it will be on the agenda when tournament sponsors gather for their annual meeting this month at the Players Championship. "Those players already told us last year they were going to play Doral," PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said. "Perception-wise, I understand the concern. We have to deal with perception." In some respects, it is simply smart business, and Ford is not alone. Ford became title sponsor at Doral about the time it signed up Mickelson to wear its logo on his shirt and make "What Will Phil Do Next?" commercials. That all but assures Lefy will continue to be at Doral every year, although he skipped the first year when his wife was pregnant with their third child. That's no different than the deal between Buick and Woods. Woods is not contractually obligated to play any of the four Buick tournaments, although he has played at least two of them each year since he became part of the Buick golf team. And don't forget Larry Lumber. The Pennsylvania company signed an endorsement deal with Singh and John Daly, another big draw. And speaking of appearance money, Larry Lumber attracted a stronger-than-usual field last year by offering every eligible player at its tournament six first-class seats on a charter to Ireland for the World Golf Championship.

NFL

Free agents prove to be in demand this signing period

Associated Press

Drew Bledsoe has signed with Dallas and Muhsin Muhammad with the Bears. Ty Law has drawn interest from several teams. The Tennessee Six, especially Samari Rolle and Derrick Mason, are hot commodities on the free-agent market. The reason: most teams now recognize it's best to keep your war chest intact when there are salary cap restrictions and teams wary. The Redskins had talks with the Jets about sending him their 2002 first-round pick, but they aren't worth the price. "The marquee name on the free-agent market is Plaxico Burress," the Pittsburgh wide receiver. But he also carries a "buyer beware" tag. He's been inconsistent, and the Steelers declined to him as a franchise player — similar to three-time champion New England and NFC champ Philadelphia, the Steelers often are willing to let their own go if they aren't worth the price. Another Steeler on the market will be linebacker Kendrell Bell, the defensive rookie of the year in 2001. Since then, he has spent more time in the trainer's room than on the field and on Tuesday, Pittsburgh re­ signed Larry Foote, who replaced him last season. The Patriots already have cut Burress, the defensive end, for salary cap reasons. He was due $12.5 million next season. But New England also recognized that Law is 31 and that the Patriots won the Super Bowl last season without him — he missed the second half of the season with a broken foot. That injury is making some teams wary.
NBA
Miller’s free throws lead Grizzlies past Warriors 99-97

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Memphis Grizzlies finally found their shooting touch.
Mike Miller stole a pass by Jason Richardson, then hit two free throws with 10.4 seconds left, and the Grizzlies held off the Golden State Warriors 99-97 Tuesday.
The Grizzlies won their second straight game by snapping out of a franchise-worst shooting slump that had seen them fail to shoot 40 percent in the past six games by hitting 49.3 percent (36-of-73). It was their best performance since shooting 56 percent on Feb. 8 against Minnesota.
"I think it was just a matter of knocking down open shots," Grizzlies forward Brian Cardinal said. "If you go back and look at the games we’ve struggled shooting, we’ve struggled because we weren’t hitting the open shots."
Memphis coach Mike Fratello, now just one victory from becoming the 19th NBA coach with 600 career victories, agreed. He pointed out the Grizzlies shot 9-of-20 from 3-point range after hitting a season-low three in Saturday night’s victory at San Antonio.
"We finally came alive from the 3-point line, which has been missing for a while," Fratello said.
Shane Battier scored a season-high 25 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Cardinal added 20 and Miller finished with 19 for Memphis. The Grizzlies also took the season series from Golden State 3-1.
"This was a game we had to win," Battier said. "We’ve got to take care of the teams that are below us in the standings. It was a nice win on a day that was a little irregular.
This isn’t the start the Warriors wanted for an eight-game road trip. Richardson finished with 29 points, Michael Pietrus added 17, Mike Dunleavy Jr. and Baron Davis 10.
Golden State coach Mike Montgomery said his Warriors wanted to rally in the fourth quarter as he tried to rally the Warriors.
The Grizzlies led 96-95 when Richardson tried to pass to Davis. Miller reached in and got the ball, forcing Davis to foul him. Davis added a layup before James Posey sealed the victory with a free throw, and Davis’ 3 clanged off the rim at the end.
"I thought that I got off a good shot," Davis said. "I was on my left, and it just went in and out."
Memes led 53-50 at the half. The Grizzlies took control in the third quarter with a 15-3 run started by Jason Williams’ 3-pointer, and then Miller hit consecutive 3s. Battier’s jumper with 6.54 left put Memphis up 68-56.

NHL
Players and board of governors hold separate meetings

Associated Press

NEW YORK — If there are cracks within the players’ association, they weren’t evident Tuesday when the rank and file met for the first time since the NHL season was canceled.
"The so-called splinter faction in the union that is going a different direction has been drummed up by a lot of media members and people hoping a deal gets done," St. Louis defenseman Chris Pronger said. "I can unequivocally say everyone is on board and understands the issues better."
The meeting lasted about three hours on Tuesday after concluding a night earlier with a dinner.
While more than 150 of the NHL’s 700-plus players met in Toronto, the league’s board of governors — representing all 30 teams — met in New York in the same hotel where commissioner Gary Bettman imposed the lockout in September and wiped out the entire season two weeks ago.
Both meetings were expected to be informational, providing updates on what happened in the failed negotiations the past 112 days. Instead New York the board of governors scheduled another meeting for Wednesday in Toronto with player agents.
The board of governors meeting was the first since the start of the lockout. Alternate governors, comprised of general managers and other executives, were also present in Manhattan.
Wayne Gretzky, the managing partner of the Phoenix Coyotes, was absent because he was with his ill mother in Bradford, Ontario.
Gretzky and Pittsburgh Penguins player-owner Mario Lemieux took part in the last bargaining session with the union on Feb. 19 — three days after the season was wiped out — is an effort to unscramble the season. But they left disappointed.
The governors began discussions around 12:30 p.m. Tuesday and were expected to continue talking into the early evening.
Debate was expected to take place between hard-line owners who want a salary cap with a link between league revenues and player costs, and those who just want a reasonable deal in place that would allow for the NHL to get back on the ice next season.

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MLB

Tim Hudson throws a pitch during spring training in Kissimmee, Fla. Hudson signed a four-year, $47 million contract extension with the Atlanta Braves Tuesday.

Hudson, Braves agree to extension

Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Tim Hudson probably would have gotten more money by becoming a free agent. He had other things on his mind, like playing close to home for the team he rooted for as a kid.

Hudson completed a $47-million, four-year contract extension with the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday, giving up the chance to go through free agency at the end of the season.

"I knew all along this was the place I wanted to be," said Hudson, a former 20-game winner. "It was just a matter of getting together with a fair-enough contract.

Hudson will make $6.75 million this year. His new deal calls for a $10 million signing bonus, payable when the contract is approved by the commissioner's office, and salaries of $4 million in 2006, $6 million in 2007 and $13 million each in 2008 and 2009.

Hudson's extension contains a $12 million mutual option for 2010 with a $1 million buyout. If the option is exercised, the deal would be worth $58 million over five years.

"We look forward to Tim being the cornerstone for us going into a new era of excellent Braves pitching," general manager John Schuerholz said.

Hudson was traded from Oakland to Braves Tuesday, clearing a path for the team he watched on television as a child. Hudson grew up in Steubenville, Ohio, and is planning to build a home in that area.

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"It's not like $11.5 million is peanuts," he said. "Obviously, it's below market value for me. That's fine."

Once the two sides began serious negotiations, things went smoothly. The main points were agreed on several days ago, leaving plenty of time to finalize the deal before Hudson's self-imposed Tuesday deadline to reach an extension.

IN BRIEF

Redskins give Samuels team-record signing bonus

ASHBURN, Va. — This year's big signing for the Washington Redskins at the start of free agency is one of their own: tackle Chris Samuels, who received the largest signing bonus in team history.

Samuels and the team reached agreement Tuesday night for a multi-year deal that includes a signing bonus of $15.75 million, according to an official in the league who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Further details were not immediately available, but the deal solves a pressing need just before the start of free agency at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday. Samuels' contract was scheduled to count against a whopping $9.5 million against the salary cap this year, constraining the team's ability to re-sign players and acquire new ones.

Samuels' bonus exceeds the club

Hornets waive veteran Davis

NEW ORLEANS — The New Orleans Hornets waived Dale Davis on Tuesday, clearing the way for him to join a team — perhaps the Indiana Pacers — that is seeking a veteran forward for the playoffs.

The Detroit Pistons have also expressed interest in acquiring the 35-year-old forward, who has averaged 8.5 points and 8.2 rebounds during his 15-year career.

Davis came to the Hornets along with Speedy Claxton shortly before last week's trading deadline in a deal that sent point guard Barou Davis to Golden State.

But the Hornets never expected Dale Davis, whose contract expires after paying him $10.1 million this season, to report to New Orleans.

Davis played for the Pacers for his first nine seasons before being traded in 2000 to the Portland Trailblazers for All-Star forward Jermaine O'Neal.

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In search of title, Mourning signs with Miami

Associated Press

MIAMI — Alonzo Mourning once was larger than life, the Miami Heat's biggest star. Now, even he acknowledges his days are gone.

Yet Mourning also steadfastly believes he can still play at a championship-caliber level. And now, at last, he's back with Miami and ready to resume his past quest — delivering the Heat's first NBA title.

The seven-time All-Star center signed a contract Tuesday to rejoin Miami, the team with whom he spent eight previous seasons — a stint twice interrupted by kidney disease. He's expected to make about $325,000 for the rest of the season, a prorated share of the $1.1 million minimum veteran contract.

"It's definitely been a long time coming," the 35-year-old Mourning said after a two-hour practice and 30 minutes of extra shooting drills Tuesday.

"It just feels good, feels good to be back home, having everything finalized. I've been here for the past three months training, just waiting, being patient," Mourning should be in uniform Thursday when Miami visits its New Jersey. He averaged 10.4 points and 7.1 rebounds in 18 games for the Nets earlier this season.

To clear a roster spot, Miami waived forward Wesley Person, who played only 27 minutes since Dec. 4 and was displaced with his diminished role. Person may soon sign with the Denver Nuggets.

Teammates gave high marks after Mourning's first full workout.

"It's just going to make us a tougher team to beat," said center Shaquille O'Neal.

"When Shaq goes to the bench, we don't have that presence," added guard Dwyane Wade. "Plus, he's very strong. It's going to be great.''

Miami (42-15) entered Tuesday five games ahead of Detroit in the Eastern Conference, and 9 1/2 games up on Washington in the Southeast Division. Miami hasn't been shy about tweaking its roster — last week, another Heat alum, guard Steve Smith, was acquired from Charlotte.

Smith enhances Miami's perimeter rotation, but adding the 6-foot-10, 261-pound Mourning could create serious matchup problems for opponents — especially if he and O'Neal are on the court together.

"He's still a very good defender and shot blocker. ... Those are the two main areas I look for, his defense and his rebounding," Heat coach Stan Van Gundy said. "As far as minutes and that, or role, or who's going to come off the bench first in the long run, I don't have any idea."

Van Gundy said he won't immediately thrust Mourning into a key role in the rotation.
Walker happy with his return

Associated Press

WALTHAM, Mass. — Antoine Walker was back at the Boston Celtics’ suburban workout facility, back in the familiar green, back on the practice parquet. The only visible difference was that the private 51 on his square warmpup jersey he grabbed, and the smile on his face.

"I give Danny a lot of credit for bringing me back. That takes a lot for anyone to do," Walker said Tuesday as he prepared for his first game back in Boston with the Celtics. "I said things I didn’t really mean, and I’m sure he said things he probably didn’t mean."

Walker called himself a more mature player when the Hawks traded him to Dallas last summer, and he pointed out that the Hawks bailed out on him last week to protect Webber in the expansion draft.

"It lifted my spirits up to come back," Walker said. "I felt an over­whelming excitement."

And for Boston fans, it’s only proper to see Walker happy to be back in Boston after his exit from the Dallas bench and NBA purgatory with the bottom-dwelling Atlanta Hawks. So happy that he’s willing to put his problems with Celtics basketball boss Danny Ainge, whom he can count on hand, in the past.

"I have a lot of credit for bringing me back. That takes a lot for anyone to do," Walker said. "The way I played the last game, the way I felt, ‘We’ll live with that.’ When he beat us down low, it killed us.”

Wallace leads Bobcats to a 94-87 win over Kings

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Gerald Wallace expected to be fired up to play against the Sacramento Kings. Instead, he felt an overwhelm­ling letdown when the group that took the floor looked nothing like his former team.

Still, Wallace had his best all-around game of the season in leading the Charlotte Bobcats to a 94-87 victory over the Kings on Tuesday night.

With Charlotte missing three starters, seven rebounds and five steals against the team that drafted him, he spent three seasons with the Kings before they left him unprotected in the expa­nsion draft.

"It’s bittersweet," Wallace said. "I went in feeling wasn’t there that I thought would be there. It didn’t feel the same, didn’t feel like the same team.”

The Kings are still juggling a new lineup created after trad­ing Chris Webber to Philadelphia for Collins Williamson, Brian Skinner and Kenny Thomas.

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Wallace had one of his best all-around games of the week in the trade for Webber. Instead of banging under the basket, Wallace had a huge defensive rebound and an over­whelming excitement.

"I’m just happy to be back in the place where I started my career, and I’ve had success,” he said.

But more has changed than stayed the same for the Celtics since Walker’s departure. Jim O’Brien is no longer the coach, and with him went the perceptu­al 3-point shooting that had Walker stationed at the perimeter instead of banging under the basket.

"It’s really the perfect case to be settled because there are lots of areas of compensation other than money that come along with getting the case settled: not having to be involved in this public issue any more, he said.

Agreement reached with Bryant accuser

Associated Press

DENVER — Experts believe a settlement between Kobe Bryant and the woman who has accused him of rape makes the most sense for both sides because it allows them to avoid a potentially embarrass­ing trial that would bring out intimate details of their lives.

ABC News Radio reported Tuesday that the NBA star and his 20-year-old accuser have reached an agreement in prin­ciple, with a settlement pos­sible as early as this week.

Attorneys for Bryant did not return calls, and the woman’s attorneys declined to comment on the report.

Earlier, the woman’s attorneys had scheduled a seven-hour questioning session with Bryant on Friday, but it was scratched, prompting speculation a settlement was close.

Denver attorney Bill Keating said a settlement always remained the only logical end for the high-profile lawsuit.

"It’s really the perfect case to be settled because there are lots of areas of compensation other than money that come along with getting the case settled: not having to be involved in this public issue any more, he said.

A settlement would offer Bryant “an end to litigation, an end to courtrooms, an end to meetings with lawyers,” Denver attorney Larry Pomer said.

"And what you give back is money, and what Kobe Bryant has is a lot of money.”

The woman filed her lawsuit in Denver federal court in August, three weeks before the criminal case against the Los Angeles Lakers star collapsed when she decided she could not participate in the trial.

Allegations in the lawsuit echoed those of the criminal case: The woman said Bryant flirted with her during a tour of the Vall-arena resort where she worked in June 2003.

After the two ended up in his room, they began to kiss and Bryant became more aggressive, holding her by the throat while he rapped her head from behind.

The lawsuit seeks unspeci­fied damages for personal injuries, humiliation and pub­lic humiliation.

Bryant, a married father of one, issued an apology to the woman but maintained the sex was consensual.

Bryant, 27, has to bring an end to the civil case if he hopes to regain a semblance of the rising-star image that brought him lucrative product endorse­ments before he was charged with sexual assault, said David Carter, a sports marketing consultant with the Los Angeles-based Sports Business Group.

"There’s going to be some real short-term pain attacked, but absent this, he’ll never be able to move on to any kind of marketing career,” Carter said.

Wallace leads Bobcats to a 94-87 win over Kings

Associated Press

Charlotte’s Andrei Kirilenko scored 23 points and added 13 rebounds to help the Bobcats secure their season-best 12th win. Charlotte led by as many as 15 points and never looked back.

Wallace had 17 points and 11 rebounds, and Emeka Okafor had 11 points and 13 rebounds. Melvin Ely came off the bench to score 11.

The Bobcats coach Bernie Bickerstaff wasn’t all that pleased with the victory, pointing to Sacramento’s 48-40 rebounding advantage and Charlotte’s 18 turnovers.

"We got a victory and we needed one," he said. "But you can’t be satisfied with that unless you say ‘On a bad night, we got it done.’"

Charlotte acquired last week in the trade for Chris Webber, led Sacramento with 24 points and all three players acquired from Philadelphia for Webber had decent games:

Skinner had 15 points and 16 rebounds and Kenny Thomas had 13 points and 12 rebounds. But Mobley (17 points) and Bibby (14 points) were off, combining to shoot 12-29 with 14 turnovers.

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The Bobcats’ Melvin Ely, left, guards the Nets’ Vince Carter as he drives to the basket on Feb. 25.
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stroke heading into the final round, had the same idea for itself. The Seahawks shot an impressive 294 to catch the Irish, which carded a team score of 297.

The two teams then played a one-hole, ten-man playoff to determine the winner. Each team’s five active players played the par-four 16 in fivesomes.

In the first group, Eddie Peyckels gave the Irish a one-stroke lead when he drained a 25-foot birdie putt on the 13th to move to 1-of-7 and walk along with two Seahawks in that fivesome. With three Willimgton players, Pekels, Baldwin and Deuchts had to watch and wait as Cole Isham and Tommy Balderson played with three Seahawks in the fivesome. There, Willimgton put the pressure back on the Irish as two of those three Seahawks landed their approach with in fifteen feet, but the other left well short. “Cole hits a nice driver and then his second shot came in three or four feet...but it definitely wasn’t over,” Pekels said. “Balderson! had a really tough up-and-down out of the bunker.” Pekels was right—it wasn’t over. But at the 18th, Balders­ton literally landed his third shot within in ten feet of the cup and pressured Peckels to drain his putt. Then it was over.

We were then tapped in his birdie, and the Irish moved to playoff, 2-under to 1-over.

For Notre Dame, this marked the team’s first team victory since capturing the Big East Championship last April at the Warren Golf Course.

Which is a charge for optim­

Pekels believes that winning the first tournament of the spring was impressive for the Irish. “Especially coming out of the snow, we were probably the least prepared team.”

Eddie Pekels
Irish golfer

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14-2 mark in Big East play. Chared Allen had 14 points and nine rebounds for Notre Dame, while All-American Jacqueline Battle struggled most of the night, finishing with 11 points on just 4-of-16 shooting.

“Just weren’t ready to play,” McGraw said. “I thought we played pretty well defensively but we needed somebody to step up and make shots in the post and none of our post were able to do that.”

Without the leading Post players Batteast, Courtney LaVere, Teresa Horton and Crystal Erwin combined to shoot anemic 7-of-33 for the game, while guards Megan Duffy and Breonna Gray were a combined 1-of-5 shooting going 0-of-7 and 2-of-9, respectively.

“Seton Hall was blocking our shots and they played really well defensively,” McGraw said. “We just had a hard time making shots, so have to stay tough. You’re going to have nights when the balls won’t go in the basket and you’ve got to stay with it, you’ve got to keep working.”

Allen was the difference for the Irish. She finished 3-of-6 from the field but more importantly, drained all eight of her free throw attempts, including one after down the stretch that sealed the victory.

“I thought Charel Allen was player of the game,” McGraw said. “She was the one who really won the game for us.”

“I was just trying to take what they were giving me and doing whatever I could,” Allen said. “I’m glad we got this game out of our system. Everyone has a game that they aren’t ready to play.”

Muffett McGraw
coach

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sive end wasn’t where it needs to be,” Chris Quinn
said. “These past couple of days we been more focused, and we’re ready to get back on the court.”

The Irish (16-9, 8-6 Big East) return to the court tonight hosting Rutgers (16-16, 2-12) at the Joyce Center. Home-court advantage has played a major role in this series, with the host team winning the past five games between these two teams.

The key for the Irish tonight will be reestablishing themselves on the defensive end. Rutgers has the second-worst defense in the conference, allowing 69.4 points per game, so the Irish aren’t concerned about being able to score points against the Scarlet Knights.

“Defensively, this year, it’s something we’ve been able to rely on, holding teams down—50s and 60s—and these past couple of games have been no exception,” Quinn said. “But the team’s we’ve been out of the game.

Rutgers hasn’t won a road game since Dec. 28 or a conference road game since Jan. 28, 2004—a stretch of 11 Big East games.

This is the type of the game the Irish should win.

In making a run at the NCAA tournament, that’s what the selection committee is looking at—are those teams close to the field of 65 winning the games they’re supposed to.

Monday’s all the Irish need to be concerned about, especially since they control their own destiny.

“I think at this time of the season, a lot of players get caught up in RPI, standings and rankings, but it’s just individuals,” Chris Thomas said. “At the end of the day, if you put together your best resume and play each game like it’s a tournament-type game, you’ll be fine.”

“That’s something that I’ve reiterated day in and day out,” For Notre Dame’s resume, a win tonight gets them a conference win and a road win against Big East.

It also puts them in position to win 10 conference games for the fourth time in Mike Bravo’s five seasons in South Bend, which all but guarantees them a spot in the NCAA tournament.

But right now, all the Irish can do is put too much pressure on themselves and take care of business against the Scarlet Knights.

“We can almost taste it. It’s something we want so badly,” Thomas said. “You can almost see it in our body language and our face. It’s not so much that we’re tight or we’re nervous—just that we want it so badly, especially for me, because I want it so bad for the team.”

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Digan was not punished, however, waving the bout in a split decision.

In the second match of the class, Braithwaite "Black Sheep" Wanchukal became the second boxer to win after legally taking down his opponent.

After dominating Adam "Alpha Fox" Frisch for two-rounds, Wanchukal appeared to lose his balance during a hug, in the process accomplishing a full-body takedown Frisch. When the match resumed, "Ba Black Sheep" continued his dominance and won with a unanimous decision.

Mata "Touch Me and I'll Sue" Smith followed that performance with a take-down of his own.

He defeated Tripp "Dirty Davey" Matteo by a unanimous decision in the second round, backing Siefring into the ropes. In the third round, Siefring fought back, landing several shots to Miller's head, including one that drew a gash from the crown as the final bell sounded.

A match up in the division was Ed "Optimus Prime Rick" Hattrup and Doug "Six Months in the Hospital or Sudden Death" Bartles. Bartles attacked Hattrup early and often, driving him and beating him into the ropes three times in the opening round, landing a punishing right hook that drew blood from the face as the final bell sounded.

McMorrow landed a punishing right hook that drew blood from the face as the final bell sounded.

The third fight of the class pitted Robert "The A.L. Ten" Lechbridge against Jeff Golú.

A few rounds remain- ing in the third, Digan acci- dentally face-planted after a bear hug ended a heavy exchange.

BENGAL BOUTS

Upsets occur in 180-pound class

By KEEN FOWLER AND CHRISS KHOREY

less than 20 seconds into the match, Chase "The Gunner" Gund nearly pulled off an amazing comeback in the first 180-pound match-up of the night. Michael "Topic Cars" Schmid drew blood from the 180-pound division. The referee counted him down in the first round, but the新鲜man found a gap in the strategy in the second round and three rounds to come back and won by split decision.

In the second round, an exchange featured several combinations, but Million won the round with a strong second round.

In the third round, Million found his range and took control of the bout.

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WILL SHORTZ

Answer to previous puzzle

Thursday's Jumble: "A.S.A.P.!
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Wednesday's Jumble: "What the tipsey
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Horoscope

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: James Ackles, 27; Nick Kershaw, 47; Ron Howard, 51; Harry Belafonte, 78.

Happy Birthday! You have the drive, determination and talent to get ahead this year. Keeping up with all the opportunities you get will be the difficult part. Pick and choose wisely so that you don't spread yourself too thin. It will be important to do one really good job instead of several that are just mediocre. Your numbers are 6, 15, 22, 24, 35, 44.

ARIES (March 21-April 20): Have strength and you will surpass all the negativity that has been thrown your way. Speak boldly and clearly on your own behalf. You have worked too hard to let anyone take away your ability to prosper. ***

RAVEN (April 21-May 20): You don't have to hide your feelings, you're basically a warm, loving and probably looking for some attention. Particiate in anything that would allow you to contact other people, and you will get what your heart desires. ****

CEREMO (May 21-June 20): An opportunity is likely to develop from an idea you have. Work and money should be your prime concern. Your unique aptitude might become apparent now. If this occurs, this will help you to further develop your talents. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This is the perfect day for you to give things away. You will be able to obtain some very interesting knowledge from someone you encounter along the way. A short trip will result in an unusual item of events. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may make a poor choice based on false information today if you jump into an investment that sounds good on the surface. You may end up regretting your purchase.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): This is an action day. Everything you've been storing, doing, doing should be thrown into motion. Launching your ideas now will ensure success later. You can accomplish far more on your own than in a group, so get moving. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Put laissez-aller and concentrate on the possibilities. You can make professional changes that will result in more cash in your pocket. Don't settle for less than what you want. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will find yourself in a position to do something great. Stand up for your beliefs, and you will be recognized as a person who doesn't back down and is true to his or her word.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): This is an action day. Every single thing you've been working on will result in a partnership, allowing you to have the drive, determination and luck to get what your heart desires. ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Everyone has been hoping to achieve something. You will be the one to use this opportunity and the people you know.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Not everyone will understand what you are trying to accomplish. Don't worry so much about others; instead, focus on what will get you moving in a positive direction. **

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Today is all about you, the ones you love and the people you love to spend time with. Nothing is too much — you just have to have the courage to do what you know is in your heart. ***

Birthday Baby: You are extremely intuitive, intelligent and inspirational. You have so much to give and, because of that, you will receive in return.

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ND BASKETBALL

Men have two Big East tests remaining

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

It wasn’t the two losses that sent a message to the Irish — losses happen against quality opponents. It’s the way those two games were lost.

After preaching and practicing defense all season, it failed the Irish in double-digit losses at Connecticut and at home against UCLA.

The Huskies dropped a season-high 88 points on the Irish while the Bruins opened up a 20-point second half lead.

Now for the past two days at practice, it’s been about getting back to what got the Irish to eight wins in the Big East with two conference games remaining.

“We’re focused a little more coming off two losses. Our attention to the defense...”

FOOTBALL

Powlus returns to program

Former Irish QB becomes director for personnel development

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

Eight years after leaving Notre Dame, Ron Powlus is back.

The former Irish quarterback was hired Tuesday as the director of personnel development for the football program, according to the University athletic Web site. Notre Dame also announced Tuesday that current graduate assistant football coach Chad Klunder has been hired as the director of football personnel development.

Golf

Irish earn first win of season

Team claims the Tulane Invitational championship

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

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Above, Dana Collins takes a shot at Jason Miller. At left, Michael Siegring, left, battles Stu Stypula.

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