Groups wage campus labor debates

By KAREN LANGLEY
Associate News Editor

Almost two weeks after Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves issued a statement firmly backing current University wage polices, on Monday members of the Campus Labor Action Project (CLAP) reiterated their demands — a $12.10 per hour wage for campus workers and the formation of a task force to address campus labor conditions.

Their statement, made Monday morning at a press conference in front of LaFortune, also called for

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Campuses attract students over summer break

By KATIE KOHLER
News Writer

South Bend’s appeal skyrockets once you remove the school factor — at least in the eyes of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students preparing to spend their summers working on campus at various opportunities offered through their respective schools.

Students have taken jobs doing anything from service projects to volunteering as tour guides this summer. Most of the summer employees will live on campus in reserved dorms provided by their school. Not all students pay room and board, however, as some jobs include housing. Notre Dame junior Kyle Miller said he worked on campus last year as a hall manager for the Office of Residence Life and Housing and is planning on doing the same this year. He lived in Pasquerilla East, which housed graduate students primarily for the Ernst & Young program, a weekly program sponsored by the Center for Continuing Education (CCE).

“It was a fun and interesting job,” Miller said. “The social life was a little more relaxed, but there is plenty to do as far as going to the movies, baseball games and other things. Most of the

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Campus Life Council

Packets to warn new students of penalties

By KAITLYNN RIEY
News Writer

Campus Life Council (CLC) members passed a resolution Monday supporting the addition of cautionary information regarding third party Web sites and illegal downloading of files into the booklets distributed by each residence hall to incoming freshmen.

But the original resolution — introduced by Liz Kozlow and Jacques Nguyen, chairs of the Task Force on Social Concerns — was amended before it could pass with the council’s support.

Kozlow and Nguyen presented a design for an insert that warns freshmen the Office of Residence Life and Housing has the right to use pictures and language on Web sites like Facebook and MySpace for disciplinary purposes.

The insert also cautions

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Distler awarded top honor

Double major chosen as 2006 valedictorian

By MAUREEN MULLEN
News Writer

During the week of spring break — while most students enjoyed a vacation from academic rigor — senior Catherine Distler spent every free moment writing her valedictory address. As one of more than a dozen exemplary seniors nominated to give the class of 2006 commencement speech, Distler said she and the others selected were given three and a half weeks to write and submit a valedictory address. On April 24, Distler learned her speech was chosen as the May 21 graduation ceremony address.

“I was thrilled to find out, but it’s also a very humbling experience because with the honor comes the realization that so many people were instrumental,” Distler said. “I wouldn’t be here if it wasn’t for friends and professors who helped along the way. I’m incredibly grateful to them.”

Distler, a double major in anthropology and pre-professional studies, will graduate with a 3.94 overall GPA and a 4.0 major GPA. She recently decided to attend Johns Hopkins University for medical school following graduation.

“Of course, I plan to go to medical school,” Distler said. “I really enjoy working with people. I think studying medicine is very rewarding.”

Distler’s speech was chosen as the May 21 commencement address.

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Antennas to go up over summer

By PETER NINNEMAN
News Writer

Beginning next year, students will not have to worry about not being able to make a cellular call on the day of a home football game or searching their dorm rooms for a miraculous spot where they get sufficient cell phone reception.

Office of Information Technologies (OIT) chief tech officer Dewitt LaTurner said that the “distributed antenna system” designed to enhance cell

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Catholic

Science

In a recent debate over such important issues as religion and whether or not "Mission Impossible III" will surf, my friend and I ended up discussing the next logical issue: Catholicism and Scientology. I know what you’re thinking: ‘Can such a religion exist? Are the two philosophies too far removed from each other?’ We considered all the evidence and decided that Catholicism and Scientology can, in fact, exist in tandem: they belong together like Brad and Angelina, Demi and Ashton, even Tom and Katie themselves.

And of course, we all know the Biblical implications of the ever-important silent birth. The historical and scientific evidence indicates a startling yet telling trend. Among those who didn’t have silent births are Moses, David and Jesus. Among those who didn’t have silent births are Carl Gann and Judas. Coincidence? I think not.

Furthermore, a lot of people may have failed to realize that Scientology’s founder, science fiction writer and all-around guru L. Ron Hubbard, may have actually been the second son. The signs are all there: in an obscure place (Hollywood for Jesus, Tilden, Nebraska for Hubbard), preaching in a place that starts with ‘J’ (Livermore and Jersey, New), and a high-profile arrest (Hubbard for felony fraud). And perhaps above all, the most telling sign – you can’t spell “Lord” without L. Ron Hubbard.

There is of course the argument that Catholicism is a church for the rich and that Scientology is a church for the rich. But that just means they represent the yin and yang of religiosity. And did you know that Tom Cruise, the face of Scientology, once openly called a Catholic priest? Obviously there is a connection here – the link between being a high priest and being a Scientist disciple of Xenu and the Galactic Confederacy are clearly and undesirably strong.

But maybe, just maybe, it’s possible that Catholicism is a legitimate religion and Scientology is just a load of bull. Maybe, just maybe, Cruise doesn’t actually know what he’s talking about though he does know the history of psychiatry. You don’t. And maybe, just maybe, the two religions don’t really belong together that there isn’t really a comparison to a religion founded by a science fiction writer. Maybe we shouldn’t be listening to a religion advocated by Tom Cruise, Katie Holmes and John Travolta. After all, you can’t spell "The Bible" with "Battlefield Earth Blowout."

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IN BRIEF

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Question of the Day: What is your favorite memory from this school year?

Joel Steiner, sophomore
Stanford

”The 10 person spoon train at the global night commute.”

Elizabeth Elliot, sophomore
Welsh Family

”Late night singing at the echo spot in front of Bond.”

Katie Sharak, freshman
Welsh Family

”Using jazz hands in Bookstore Basketball.”

Katie McCullough, sophomore
Welsh Family

”The second my lips touched her face.”

Erin Greenberg, sophomore
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”When I got my kiss from Kat McCullagh.”

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”Waking my sister up at 5 a.m. for some water.”

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Corrections

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were crucial in the incredible victo-
ry for tomato pickers," she said. "Now we encourage the McDonald's to make a change.

Theology professor Father Daniel Groody spoked to the audi-
ome about the struggle of immi-
igrants. "Immigrants have a right to come and work where they can come from," he said.

Groody said nations have a "right to control borders, but not an abso-
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Director of Residence Life and Housing Shappell said the "first section
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Distrler, theology professor

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"I'll be nervous, but I think more than anything I'll be caught up in the excitement and nostalgia of commencement weekend.

Catherine Distler valedictorian

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fewer antennas will be placed on the quads and near dorms, Latimer said, but they will still improve reception quality as much as the more concentrated anten-
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[DeWitt Latimer]

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further response from University administration... CLAP members plan to occupy University President Father John Jenkins' office this morning in an effort to meet with Jenkins and present him with petitions signed by more than 1,300 workers, alumni, faculty, students and parents to support CLAP's demands. The sit is scheduled to last an hour.

"The administration is going to have to address our concerns," said Nick Krafft, CLAP organizing member. "We're demanding real dialogue.

While he said the group has no "hard deadline," Krafft said a lack of action from the administration would force the group to "take more drastic measure.

CLAP originally called for these two changes March 8 when members presented Jenkins with a report on the living wage — defined by the report as "the hourly rate of income that a worker in a specific area must make in a 40 hour workweek to support a family of four."

Jenkins and other top administrators, including Affleck-Graves, met with CLAP members March 31 to discuss the administration's response to the report. In his April 19 statement, Affleck-Graves backed away from specific policy changes that included increasing the minimum wage and requiring the administration to hire all workers who volunteer to work on campus.

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Assistant Director of External Events Jessica Stuifbergen said camp and board cost an average of $40 per night over the summer. Stuifbergen said she typically hires 25 to 30 girls over the summer to manage events that occur on campus but are not College-sponsored. Three of these positions include "event managers," a privileged position that includes free room and board. "The event managers do all the leg-work once the organization gets to campus," Stuifbergen said. "The positions that offer free room and board are highly competitive, and we usually have a large number of applicants."

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"Some students take volunteering jobs over the summer months. Notre Dame senior Mallory Brown, who has been a tour guide at Notre Dame for the past two summers, also worked as a research assistant, a desk job at Office of Residence Life and Housing hall staff member.

"Staying on campus was an amazing experience, especially during the weeks that there were no conferences or summer camps," she said. "It felt like the few hard-thought hours of the only people there and we formed great friendships." Notre Dame senior Moira Madden was an assistant hall manager as well as a tour guide. She decided to stay on campus for the summer after traveling abroad. "I felt like I missed five months of Notre Dame," she said. "This was my way of making up for lost time." Madden recently returned from northeastern Pennsylvania, said she decided to stay on campus to get better job experience. "I felt like I could get more experience here than home," Brown said. "I just really like being at Notre Dame.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Rebel factions stall peace agreement
ABUJA, Nigeria — Darfur rebels have kick- ed off a new round of negotiations Monday with Sudan's government in the western Sudanese region of Darfur. But the rebels, suspicions of the govern- ment's intentions, rejected the new proposal pro- posed by the African Union. They said it did not grant the rebels enough political power for Darfur or provide enough detail on how it would be implemented.

“We are not ready to sign until the Sudanese give concessions to our demands,” said Ahmad Hacked, a spokesman for one of two rebel factions.

Fiscal crisis cripples Puerto Rico
SAN JUAN — Many basic functions of Puerto Rico's government were unavailable Monday as the U.S. commonwealth ran out of money and imposed a partial public-sector shutdown — put- ting nearly 100,000 people — including 40,000 teachers — out of work and granting an unscheduled holiday to 500,000 public school students.

The shutdown — the first in Puerto Rico's histo- ry — happened despite last-minute attempts by members of the legislature and Gov. Anibal Acevedo Vila to agree on a bailout plan.

NATIONAL NEWS

Court denies appeal for pro-life ads
WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Monday ended a decade-long fight over the use by anti-abortion protesters of “wanted” posters to identify doctors.

Activists who created Wild West-style posters and a Web site targeting abortion doctors had been ordered to pay nearly $5 million in damages, and the court refused without comment to take up their appeal.

“Across the states, we have innovations tak- ing place that are changing the discussion,” Arkansan Gov. Mike Huckabee, this year's Republican presidential nominee, said Monday. “We are exploring new ways to protect medical workers.”

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LOCAL NEWS

Concerns surround Indiana primary
INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana primary on Tuesday has been marked by controversy, with some fearing a repeat of the 2008 election, when a U.S. Supreme Court ruling on campaign finance led to a flood of outside money.

Imigrants stage industrial boycott
LOS ANGELES — Hundreds of thou- sands of mostly Hispanic immigrants skipped work and stayed off the streets Monday, flexing their economic muscle in a nationwide boycott that succeeded in slowing or shutting many farms, fac- tories, markets and restaurants.

From Los Angeles to Chicago, to Houston to New Orleans, the “Day Without Immigrants” was wide- spread participation despite divisions among activists over whether a boycott was right. But it also sent a message to Washington lawmakers considering sweeping immigration reform.

“We are the backbone of what America is, legal or illegal, it doesn't matter,” said Melba Lopez, who with her husband and their third-grade daughter joined a rally of some 75,000 in Denver. “We work hard, we take the bread. They need us as much as we need them.”

Police estimated 400,000 people marched through Chicago's business district. In Los Angeles, there was no announced count, but one law enforce- ment official put it at about 300,000. Tens of thousands more marched in New York, along with about 15,000 in Houston and 30,000 more across Florida. Smaller rallies in cities from Pennsylvania and Connecticut to Arizona and South Dakota attracted hundreds not thousands.

In Los Angeles, protesters wearing white and waving U.S. flags sang the national anthem in English as tradition- al Mexican dancers moved through the crowd. In Chicago, illegal immigrants from Ireland and Poland marched alongside Hispanics as office workers on lunch breaks clapped. In Phoenix, protesters formed a human chain in front of Wal-Mart and Home Depot stores.

In Laredo, Texas, Mexico, blocked vehicle traffic heading to San Diego at the world's busiest border crossing.

Many carried signs in Spanish that translated to "We are America" and "Today we march, tomorrow we vote."
Macs are a growing security risk
Experts worry the computers can no longer boast virus immunity

SAN FRANCISCO — Benjamin Daines was browsing the Web when he clicked on a security warning from a site that promised pictures of an unreleased update for Apple's operating system.

Instead, a window opened on the Cupertino-based company's mainframe, and the files were deleted. Two years later, Daines was the victim of a company security breach.

Such headaches are hardly unique to Apple. In January and February and that three years, the company said it had been hit by a virus—perhaps the first-ever virus—called Mac OS X.

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The curators of the show chose their title in homage to famed photographer Charles L. Engelbert, who had used for several exhibitions in the past. The concerned photographer, the Hungarian-born Capa once explained, "finds much in the present unacceptable, which he tries to alter. Our goal is simply to tell the world also know why it is unacceptable."

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Socially concerned art
featured in exhibition

Photos display the darker side of society

Associated Press

CHICAGO — It's a stark, simple image: a frozen mound of earth at one end and an equally tiny footprint at the other. Instead of vases for flowers, there are milk and Coca-Cola bottles.

It's a black-and-white photograph, but the viewer has no problem recognizing its bare earth as red Southern Clay. The photo's title, "A Child's Grave," Halifax County, Alabama," and its date, the Depression-era 1930s, provide enough background to recognize the small tragedy it represents.

The small print by Walker Evans in his exhibition titled "The Concerned Photographer." The show is from the liberation of the Soviet Union, which he tendered his resignation.

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**BOLIVIA**

**Army seizes natural gas fields**

British, Brazilian, Argentinian oil multinationals brace for severe losses

Associated Press

LA PAZ — President Evo Morales ordered soldiers to occupy Bolivia's natural gas fields Monday and threatened to evict foreign companies that oppose his nationalization of the oil and gas industry.

In a nationally televised address, Morales said his nationalization drive was needed to resist foreign companies' efforts to exploit Bolivia's natural gas and oil resources, which he says are too valuable for Bolivia to let foreigners exploit.

Bolivian soldiers guard the operation Guallertio Villarroel refinery operated by Brazilian oil company Petrobras in Cochabamba, Bolivia Monday.

Morales said his move was necessary to safeguard Bolivia's national interests and to protect the country's future.

The move comes amid growing concerns about the future of the oil and gas sector in Bolivia, where foreign companies have operated for decades and are responsible for a significant portion of the country's revenue.

Morales's decision could have significant implications for the oil and gas industry in the region, as Bolivia is one of the few countries in South America that has not yet nationalized its oil and gas resources.

The move also complicates the political landscape in the region, as Bolivia's neighbors, including Brazil and Argentina, have expressed concerns about the move and its potential impact on regional stability.

**Google, MS clash over search tool**

The next version of Internet Explorer, available now in test form, includes a box in the corner that lets people perform an Internet search without going to a separate search engine.

Microsoft's new search tool, called "Search," was introduced alongside a software update for the Internet Explorer browser, the company said.

The update includes the new search tool in the browser's address bar, as well as a "Search" button, which can be used to perform searches without leaving the browser.

Microsoft's new search tool is designed to give users a more streamlined way to search the Web, and is part of a larger initiative to improve the user experience for Internet Explorer.

The update is expected to be released to users later this month.

Microsoft's move comes as Google continues to grow in popularity, and as other search engines look to differentiate themselves in the increasingly competitive search market.

The new search tool is designed to give users a more streamlined way to perform searches, and to help them find what they are looking for more quickly.

Microsoft's new search tool is also expected to give users more control over their search results, as they can choose which search engines to use and how their results are displayed.

Google has already expressed concern about Microsoft's new search tool, saying it would give the company an unfair advantage.

"We're concerned that this new search tool is a significant departure from the way users expect to use the Internet Explorer address bar," said Google spokesperson Matt Page.

"Users expect to see a list of search results when they enter a query into the address bar, and they don't want an additional search tool added to their browser," Page said.

Microsoft's new search tool is expected to be available to all Internet Explorer users, and is part of a larger effort to improve the user experience for the browser.

The update also includes improvements to the browser's design, as well as new features that allow users to customize their browsing experience.

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The truth can never die

Father Jenkins, thank you for reaffirming the spirit of the Land O’ Lakes statement on Catholic universities and academic freedom. It meant everything to me to make this vocation to this place as a noble experiment to have a top-notch Catholic university in a non-Catholic culture, and I believe your statement is a foundational component. Indeed, it is a 1967 Land O’ Lakes statement. It is through his encouragement that Notre Dame has become a top-tier school today that continues to strive for a balance of intellectual-religious lives of its students. If you allow me a biographical reference, I was in my mid-20s in the Society of Jesus when I finally, with the help of wonderful Jesuit mentors and teachers (George Klubertanz, Robert Henle and others in the Philosophy at St. Louis University) was able to dispel fears and doubts about the conflict between faith and reason and about the limitations of the human intellect.

Now, I believe that your reaffirmation helps Notre Dame students to — and hopefully eventually live — the proposition that faith has nothing to fear from reason, and neither do they. Grace builds on nature. Thus, students can live the dialectic fearlessly, even joyfully, and powerfully. To reason is to share in creation.

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Jesus Christ, the Catholic intellectual tradition develops through this dialogue with culture. It is not a set of ideas. Revelation neither includes nor presupposes culture. Christ transforms the world. It is constantly dying, con­stantly on the way out, because it is not in harmony with the reality within which, from which, the world has its existence and meaning.

What is there to fear? Truth or revelation does not need a cudgel to enter the human heart, nor does it need to keep the world at bay in order to clear a space for itself. Truth is not in competition with the world. It transcends the world. The impulse to edit, silence, suppress, feter human experi­ence shows a trace of fear or defensiveness, an inability to encompass the entire world — the entire world — within the light of revelation, within the light of Christ’s love and understanding. If we ourselves live in the truth, live the truth, we will know that it cannot fail.

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April 27

Faith has nothing to fear from reason
The rising medium of video games

Roger Ebert once scoffed at video games, declaring they are not a valid art form. More than anything else, they could not compare to the intricate art found within films or painting.

Recent history is proving him wrong. Video games are increasingly permeating our society down to its very basics. From the big screen to the small ones on cell phones, video games are making their digital presence known. When people can go watch Peter Jackson’s remake of “King Kong,” they play the digital monkey as soon as they exit the theater on their cell phones, the video game’s cultural impact becomes slightly more evident.

Fans of video games have long declared their passion an art, giving legitimacy to their favorite pastime. While the art wasn’t as clear in the days of “Robotron” and “Pong,” it has been made increasingly apparent in recent years. Titles such as the contemporary “Shadow of the Colossus” exhibit a clear sense of style and art, featuring dramatic vistas that typically flourish in examples of high-class art.

Hollywood has long recognized the value of video games, but only recently have they been treated with a degree of respect. For those who have seen the “Super Mario Bros.” movie or “Double Dragon,” Hollywood’s intentions towards video games was obvious — they were an easy way to cash in on an established fan base. People who played video games weren’t the brightest bulbs in the drawer, so they didn’t deserve a thoughtful picture.

This mentality has changed significantly, especially within the past couple of months. “Doom” represented a solid effort on Hollywood’s part to create a strong adaptation of the video game classic. Starring Karl Urban and the Rock, it was a science fiction action film that mimicked the art direction of the games, especially the “Doom III,” incredibly well. While the result fell a little flat as — ironically — it tried to be more thought than it’s video game parent, it still represented one of Hollywood’s first attempts at treating video games seriously.

Another interesting recent example was the teen horror film “Stay Alive.” Starring a cast of relative no-names and that kid from “Malcolm in the Middle,” it centered on a video game that killed the people who played it. While the idea isn’t exactly original — being a mere mental leap from “The Matrix” — it still directly addressed video games and proved them a legitimate medium for entertainment, despite the fact that only gamblers will be shocked by this incredible run of the film.

Once again, the actual results were far from spectacular. “Stay Alive” was fairly universally panned, but if it had succeeded, it would have spawned a video game based on the movie. While video games based off of movies aren’t original either, a video game based off a game that played a central role within a movie would have set a new precedent.

The most successful film to date would be the recently released “Silent Hill.” Featuring sights and sounds directly lifted from the game, it stands as a testament to how powerful gaming has become as a medium. While it can be argued that “Silent Hill” itself was based off of excellent movies, such as “Jacob’s Ladder,” just watching the movie adaptation is a visual treat and shows how far video games have come from their inception.

Upcoming movies also hold a great deal of promise. For example, the “Halo” movie projected to be released in 2007 has big Hollywood names like Peter Jackson attached. Studios are looking at video games and realizing that they can make money if treated properly in film format.

The simple truth is that gamers have matured. The same gamers who played “Super Mario Bros.” nearly 20 years ago have grown up and are now creating their own games. With this comes a new sophistication to the medium, lending itself more credibility as art. There are now schools that exist to teach how to craft video games.

Films arguably became accepted as legitimate once schools were developed that taught the craft, with Spielberg and Scorsese being famous examples of pioneers of film schools.

Gaming has developed, especially in the latter part of the past decade. If current trends continue, their value as a medium will be undeniable.

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Facing pages

College is a lot like the movies. I don’t mean this to invoke the easy parallels to movies like “Animal House,” “Van Wilder” or “Old School.” On a deeper level, going to the movies is similar to the entire college experience. In both cases, you go to a place removed from the real world and experience something wonderful that only lasts for a short period of time. As is the case with both college and the movies, while you don’t want the experience to end, you’re also dying to find out what happens next.

After four years of working for Scene, I might have a slightly warped perspective on just how much life and entertainment intersect. The fact that I spend an inordinate amount of time watching Eli, going to movies or attaching to my iPod just makes entertainment the lens through which I view most of my life. This might explain why there are — for me, anyway — a number of parallels between my time at Notre Dame and my favorite film, the French import “Amélie.”

Beyond the obvious French connection between their names, the way I stumbled upon what would become two extremely important parts of my life is fairly similar. I was only vaguely aware of Notre Dame as an institution for higher learning, much in the same way that I was only vaguely aware of the existence of the film “Amélie” in America.

Only by accident did I finally discover both Notre Dame and “Amélie.” I discovered Notre Dame when someone from my high school left his email address on my biology class whiteboard. I discovered “Amélie” turned on the house and instinctively, leaving for my amount

Video games have been in the past been considered to lack artistic merit. Recent movies and video games have shown elements that lend themselves toward the contrary, as they are becoming an increasingly artistic medium.

Graham Leitch/Observer Graphics

Movies and colleges have shared a long relationship. Hollywood has always been a great source of inspiration for college student art. For many college students, the only Hollywood films that can ever be considered art films are the ones that date from their college experience.
of the Ty Willingham era of football, but it has survived. "Amelie," in spite of facing a barrage of new movies — and the fact that it is entirely in French with negligible subtitles — has remained a constant favorite. While I will always be able to hunker down with my close companion "Amelie" thanks to the magic of DVDs, college isn’t quite the same. While Notre Dame will always be here and it can technically become a double, triple, quadruple Domeer through the magic of graduate school, being an undergraduate is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. The ultimate question, then, is this — if college is like the movies, then where does that leave a graduating senior like me and many others?

If movies have taught us anything, it is that just because a movie is over doesn’t mean it’s the end. Film franchises like "Star Wars," "Harry Potter" and "The Chronicles of Narnia" have shown us that there is another way to go for sequel that opportunities beyond the original. The story can continue in a sequel, and while the bad guys tend to get scarier and our culture, communicating to other countries, standing in line at the grocery market, the celebrities of today represent American ideals with their seemingly flawless looks and flagrant displays of wealth. While celebrities possess no substantial power over government (sorry, Martin Sheen) their latest films, songs and scandalous acts as virtual ambassadors of our culture, communicating to other nations what it means to be American.

Like royalty we are worshipped. Their touch is of King Midas’ caliber as they turn everything they touch into gold. Thirteen-year-old girls construct their estates in the high hills of Hollywood, the Kings and Queens of our culture are celebrities. In addition to informing us of the latest trends and keeping us entertained while we wait in line at the grocery market, the celebrities of today represent American ideals with their seemingly flawless looks and flagrant displays of wealth. While celebrities possess no substantial power over government (sorry, Martin Sheen) their latest films, songs and scandalous acts as virtual ambassadors of our culture, communicating to other nations what it means to be American.

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Instead of destroying celebrity careers, stints in rehab, scandals and controversies, gifts, affairs and mental meltdowns seem to be just the ticket, especially if they garner an exclusive interview with Barbara Walters or Oprah Winfrey. Sadly, celebrities are presently marked more by mediocrity and lucky breaks than any shred of nobility. Britney Spears epitomizes this new, essential feature to maintaining fame. After all, despite not having released any albums recently, she continues to bask in the limelight created by her marriage to the beaver-rat Kevin Federline and her recent pregnancies. Again, again, again, just in case you have forgotten, the consistent quantity of the music she produces, perhaps we should be thanking Kevin for keeping Britney otherwise occupied.

Additionally, it has become more lucrative to be a pseudo-celebrity than to become famous by displaying any merit. Less and less talent is required to achieve stardom. Where talent once led to fame which led to fortune, today actresses like Paris Hilton and Nicole Richie work backwards, transforming their inherited fortune into fame. Fortunately, they have yet to prove that talent can be bought.

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Yankees lose in Damon's return to Fenway

Hudson delivers second one-hitter of career in 2-0 victory

Associated Press

BOSTON — David Ortiz hit a three-run homer to ruin Johnny Damon's return to Fenway Park, leading the Boston Red Sox over the New York Yankees 7-3 Monday night in the first game of the season between the two rivals.

Fans chanted "Johnny! Johnny!" after the Yankees former fielder watched helplessly from a few feet away as Ortiz's 11th Homer sailed into the Red Sox bullpen in the eighth.

Damon couldn't do much with the previous batter either. He could only trot in to pick up Mark Loretta's single that broke a tie in the four-inning inning.

Bosox each time he came to the plate, Damon, who batted to the other side of baseball's biggest rivalry as a free agent, went 0-for-4.

It was a bad night for another former Red Sox player. Mike Myers, Boston's lefty specialist last year, entered the game after the single by Loretta, who had been in a 1-for-17 slump, and gave up Ortiz's drive on a full count into a strong wind.

Another returning player who had a more pleasant night was Boston catcher Doug Mirabelli, reacquired earlier Monday from San Diego where he had been traded for Loretta last December. Boston obtained him to resume his role as knuckler Tim Wakefield's personal catcher after Josh Bard, who went to the Padres, had 16 passed balls in Wakefield's four previous starts.

Mirabelli also went 0-for-4 but didn't have a passed ball and threw out a runner trying to steal.

Mike Timlin (3-0) got the win with help from Jonathan Papelbon, who retired the side in order in the ninth with two strikeouts. Aaron Small (0-1) lost the loss after going 10-4 for the Yankees last two seasons.

Before the game, Damon, who spent the past four seasons with Boston, said, "I'm just really excited about taking the field and he wasn't nervous.

Brares 2, Rockies 0

Tim Hudson gave up a hit to the opposing pitcher, which was enough.

It stung even more when that turned out to be the only hit of the night in Colorado Rockies.

Hudson threw the second one-hitter of his career, leading the Atlanta Braves past the Colorado Rockies.

"It's kind of tough to take," said Hudson, who also drove in the Braves' first run. "He's probably one of the better pitchers out there, but he's still a pitcher. He's only coming up once every five days. It would have been better if it was a clean hit. I could have stomached that one.

Not that Hudson (2-1) was complaining too much. Not after the way he started the season, lasting only four innings in each of his first two starts, which gave up 14 hits, walked six and charged with 11 earned runs in those outings.

Hudson credited first-year pitching coach Roger McDowell with making a slight change in the right-hander's delivery, which is producing big results. He threw a three-hitter against the New York Mets on April 19, and was even more dominating against the top-hitting team in the NL.

"I'm getting a lot more downward movement instead of side to side. That side-to-side stuff gets hit a long way," said Hudson, who is throwing more of an overhand motion. "It's kind of a bitty adjustment, but that's all it is.

Hudson retired the last 17 Colorado hitters, needing just 40 pitches for his third complete game. He threw 103 pitches overall — 66 for strikes.

"It's pretty nice to throw good things going on tonight," Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said. "He worked both sides of the plate. He was never behind in the count.

Afterward in the Braves' clubhouse, catcher Brian McCann donned a T-shirt that said "I rode Red Sox For Nine" — a reference to the wicked movement Hudson can get on his pitches, especially his sinker.

"His ball is so tough to catch," McCann said.

Cubs 2, Pirates 1

Matt Murton's RBI single in the eighth inning gave the Chicago Cubs a victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates on Monday night.

With the score tied 1-1, John Grabow (0-1) issued a two-out walk to Todd Walker. Salomon Torres replaced him and gave up an infield single to Aramis Ramirez. Murton then singled up the middle past a diving Jack Wilson to score Jerry Hairston Jr., who was running for Walker, from second.

The Pirates dropped to 1-3 on the road and 7-20 overall.

They were an inning away from scoring three Chicago pitchers, worked 2-3 of an inning for the win. Ryan Dempster pitched the ninth for his seventh save in as many chances.

Yankees' second baseman Robinson Cano hits a two-RBI double in the 4th inning of the Yankees' 7-3 loss to Boston Monday.

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Thanks, Ada, for stealing my chicken wings.

Steely Dan Sucks. That's right, I said it.

I'm so hungry.

They were the bags of sand.

And by the way, didlo that dare not discuss.

Lauren got a wonderful present.

So how 'bout that Damon? You deserved every second of it.

Kenneth can think of nothing creative. I am shocked.

Mind Eraser's Name the line and place, I will defend my life.

Honestly, did Steely Dan win a Grammy a few years back?
Duke committee suggests reinstatement of lax team

BURLINGTON, N.C. — A Duke University committee recommended Monday that the school's lacrosse team be allowed to play next season, but said the team needed strict monitoring because of a history of problems tied to alcohol.

"Although the pattern of misconduct in recent years by the lacrosse team is alarming, the evidence reviewed . . . does not warrant suspension of the sport," a committee of seven faculty members wrote in a report.

Duke suspended the highly ranked lacrosse team from play last month, following allegations that a black woman was raped and beaten by three white men at a team party where she had been hired to strip.

A grand jury has indicted two players on charges of rape, kidnapping and sexual assault, and District Attorney Mike Nifong has said he hopes to charge a third person.

Daly discusses gambling debts in new book

John Daly discussed his addiction to gambling in the final chapter of his autobiography, "John Daly: My Life In and Out of the Rough," to be released next Monday.

Daly told one story of earning $75,000 when he lost in a playoff to Tiger Woods last fall in San Francisco at a World Golf Championship. Instead of going home, he drove to Las Vegas and says he lost $1.6 million in five hours playing mostly $5,000 slot machines.

"If I don't control my gambling, it's going to flat-out ruin me," he says in the book, co-written with Glen Waggoner and published by HarperCollins. Palace brawl instigator sentenced to 30 days in jail

ROCHESTER HILLS, Mich. — The man accused of throwing the cup that sparked a 2004 brawl between the Indiana Pacers and Detroit Pistons fans was sentenced Monday to 30 days in jail on an assault and battery charge.

John Green to attend anger management classes and Alcoholics Anonymous meetings and stay away from the Palace while he is on probation.

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IN BRIEF

Oilers beat Red Wings, take series 4-2

Associated Press

EDMONTON, Alberta — The Edmonton Oilers sent home the NHL's best team in the regular season, rallying Monday night to beat the Detroit Red Wings 4-3 and win the first round playoff series in six games.

Ales Hemsky scored twice, including the winner with 1:06 left in regulation time, capping a comeback from a 2-0 deficit after two periods. It was Edmonton's first playoff series win since 1998 — and another huge early-round disappointment for Detroit.

Fernando Pisani also scored twice for the Oilers.

The Oilers tied it 3-3 on a power play, when the puck deflected off Edmonton's Shawn Horcoff to Hemsky at the side of the net. The puck went in, and the play went under video review to determine if the puck was kicked in.

After a lengthy delay, officials eventually awarded Hemsky the goal with 3:53 remaining.

Franzen flicked in a rebound at 10:07 of the third period to put the Red Wings ahead 3-2. Pisani had tied it 2-2 when he deflected goalie Mazzy Legace and scored with a shot from the left side at 6:40 of the third.

Pisani's power-play goal 2:56 into the third period brought the Oilers within 2-1. The Red Wings controlled the second period, outshooting the Oilers 17-2. Steve Yzerman set up Lang's power-play goal to make it 2-0. Red Wings captain Yzerman sat out the previous two games with a nagging back injury.

Yzerman's point moved him ahead of Bryan Trottier into eighth spot with 185 career playoff points.

Zetterberg got the Red Wings a 1-0 lead late in the first period, when the Oilers outhustled Detroit 13-10. The forward scored six times this series.

The Red Wings have lost in the first two rounds of the last three playoffs.

The Oilers' last postseason victory was in seven games over Colorado. Detroit finished the season with 124 points more than any other team.

Edmonton had 95.

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NHL

Ethan Moreau of the Edmonton Oilers, right, gets knocked to the ice by the Detroit Red Wings' Mikael Samuelsson during Game 6 of their first round playoff series. The Oilers won the game 4-3 to take the series 4-2.
**Irish wait to hear where they'll go**

By JOE QUINN
Sports Writer

For the third straight year, Notre Dame won't have to worry about being on the bubble for the NCAA tournament, as the team secured an automatic berth to one of three regions with a come-from-behind victory in the Big East championship.

Now all the Irish can do is wait and see where the selection committee sends them.

Notre Dame's most likely destination is the Central Regional, which is scheduled for May 18-20 in Chardon, Ohio. If the Irish aren't selected for the Central Regional, they will travel to either the East Regional in Orlando, Fla. or the West Regional in Tucson, Ariz. For Notre Dame coach Jim Kubinski, it's not where the Irish play, it's how they play.

"We had some stretches where we didn't play our A-game," Kubinski said. "I think we finally were able to play our best golf in the Big East championship, and hopefully we can keep that going." If the Irish hope to continue their hot streak, they will most likely need continued stellar play from both freshman Josh Sandman and senior co-captain Mark Baldwin. Baldwin was one of four Notre Dame golfers that shot under par for the first round of the Big East championship.

Sandman was the over­rider of the tournament. Sandman was the overwhelming favorite to win the event, and he didn't disappoint. He shot an even par 70 in the first round, and followed it up with a 66 in the second round. Sandman finished the tournament with a three-day total of 202, earning him the individual championship.

Sandman's performance wasn't the only reason for the Irish's success. The team's depth was also a factor. They had four players finish in the top ten, with the next best finisher being sophomore Scott Gustafson in seventh place.

"It's not about one person," Kubinski said. "It's about the team playing as a whole. We've had an excellent season so far, and we're looking forward to what the future holds." The team's success this season has been impressive, especially considering the team's youth. They have had to fill the void left by the graduation of senior co-captains Scott Gustafson and Jonathan Cole.

Senior Scott Gustafson and junior Cole Iabane have also taken much of the responsibility upon themselves.

"Cole, along with Josh was the most outstanding golfer over the past month," Kubinski said. "They've been the most consistent players on the team." The team's consistency has been a key factor in their success. They have been able to compete with the best teams in the country and have shown that they can win when it matters most.

"If Kubinski can get all his players to play up to their abilities, he feels they have a good shot of advancing. At the same time, however, he knows it will not be easy for the Irish to maintain their same level of play over the past month," Kubinski said. "It's been a challenging season, but we have shown that we can play our best golf when it matters most. We have a shot of advancing." The team's focus now is on preparing for the NCAA tournament. They will have to continue their hot streak to have a chance at advancing to the national championship. If they can continue to play at their best, they have a shot at winning the national championship.

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NBA

Mavericks sweep Grizzlies in series

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Dallas Mavericks wanted to get this one over quickly. They sure picked the right opponent.

Dirk Nowitzki had 27 points and Josh Howard had 24 to lead the Mavericks over the Grizzlies 102-76 on Monday, Dallas' first first-half seven-win sweep and an NBA-record 12 consecutive playoff loss for Memphis.

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ND SOFTBALL
Irish lose Big East lead after doubleheader loss to Louisville

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame was unable to stay on top of the Big East standings Monday as it swept in a doubleheader for the first time this season at No. 21 Louisville.

The doubleheader was a makeup of Sunday’s rain-postponed games and marks the first time the Irish (34-17, 14-4 Big East) have lost three consecutive games since March 3.

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But Cleveland State (18-29-6, 14 Horizon) beat Notre Dame (35-9-1, 16-1 Big East) at Frank Eck Stadium two years ago, in a season in which the Irish lost just 10 games and the Vikings won only 19. What's more, the squad topped Big Ten power Ohio State 7-5 April 26 in Columbus, Ohio. 

"They have my attention," Mainieri said.

Vikings coach Jay Murphy is expected to throw freshman right-hander Brian Long tonight. Long is 1-1 with a 9.11 ERA in 12 appearances (one start).

Mainieri will either throw left-hander Tom Thornton or right-hander Brett Graffy. Thornton hasn't pitched since being hit by a sharp ground ball in his start against Louisville at Frank Eck Stadium. The southpaw is going to play a big role as he usually does.

"I have made the decision yet," Mainieri said late Monday afternoon. "But either way, Graffy is going to play a big role in tomorrow's game, whether he starts or comes in out of the bullpen."

Even if Thornton starts, Mainieri said the southpaw might not throw as many pitches as he usually does. "I have to kind of see how it goes," Mainieri said. "Depending upon if it's a struggle or if it's easy for him determines how long Thornton will pitch."

Cleveland State's top hitter this season is senior infielder Steve Chinn. He enters the contest batting .378 with two homers, 22 RBIs and 18 runs scored. Chinn has a .444 on-base percentage and a .517 slugging percentage.

Notre Dame has seven regular hitters hitting at least .300, but by first baseman Craig Cooper's .420 batting average. Cooper has nine home runs, 55 runs scored and 33 RBIs to go along with his .316 on-base percentage.

Mainieri said he likely would go with one of the team's normal lineups, as tonight's game is the team's only mid-week game this week. With their two wins against Connecticut, the Irish cut their magic number for clinching the Big East regular season title to five. The team is also bidding to host the first round of the NCAA tournament.

"We have got to be ready to play because we have a lot at stake," Mainieri said. "We have an NCAA bid on the line and we have an opportunity to host the first round of the regional tournament on the line, so we can not afford to go out there and play poorly and not get the job done."

Notre Dame next plays Friday against Louisville at Frank Eck Stadium. The 6:05 p.m. contest is the first of a three-game conference series that could clinch the regular season for the Irish.

Notre Dame has 11 games left in its season.

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**SMC Golf**

Mattia ready for action at NCAAs

National tournament will be held at Florida's El Campeón

By BECKY DORNER

Sports Writer

Saint Mary's senior Megan Mattia, the MIAA's most valuable player last fall, will represent the Belles at the NCAA Division III championship at El Campeón Golf Course at the Mission Inn Golf and Tennis Resort May 9-11. While proud of her individual accomplishment, the graduating senior was disappointed that she would be playing in her last college tournament without her teammates.

"It's very bittersweet because I am excited to be going to the NCAAs, but at the same time I wish the whole team was going," Mattia said.

Although she garnered numerous individual accomplishments throughout the season — including the league MVP — Mattia has remained humble.

"I couldn't have done it without my teammates' and coaches support," she said.

This spring Mattia won individual medalist honors at the C C c i i a University Purple and White Invitational with a two- round total of 165 and tied for seventh with a 162 at the IUW Spring Fling. She also posted the Belles' top score of 160 as Saint Mary's won the Grizzly Invitational April 24.

"It's been an amazing four years and I am going to miss everyone," Mattia said. "I would love to place in the top 10," she said. "But really.

Mattia also tied for 20th with a three-round score of 243 at the Shamrock Invitational and earned 30th place at the Northern Kentucky Invitational.

As her career winds down, Mattia hopes to find a positive note.

"I am going to miss him and you congratulate him and thank him for his service for six years," Mattia said.

The Notre Dame athletic department said Preston will be missed, and was a huge asset to the Irish program. But he added that the move is one that will enhance his former assistant's resume for future head coaching positions.

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Brey also said he is excited to hire a new coach because of the freshness it will bring the program. He said he has received phone calls already and the process should take place over the next couple weeks.

"I think he is excited for the chance ... excited about a move to that area," Brey said.

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During Preston's six years at Notre Dame, the Irish made the NCAA tournament five times, including three NCAA tournaments. Notre Dame reached the Sweet 16 in 2002.

The last three seasons, however, the Irish missed the NCAA tournament and instead competed in the NCAA Women's Basketball Invitational (NIIT).

"I think he is excited for this chance ... excited about a move to that area," Brey said.

"And you wish him well and you congratulate him and thank him for his service for six years," Brey said.

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The Irish offensive lineman and Barrington, Ill. native called the
draft "the longest process." But
for Stevenson, who looks forward
to going to New England, it was
worth the wait.

"When the Patriots called me,
that phone call, it’s definitely
draws down the team I wanted to
go to," he said. "I couldn’t have
been more excited."

Irish coach Charlie Weiss is a
former offensive coordinator for
Patriots head coach Bill Belichick,
a connection not lost on
Stovall.

"The offensive system will be
very similar to what we ran at
Notre Dame," he said. "I think it’s
a great situation for myself and
hopefully I can go in there and
help out the Patriots as best I
can."

Stovall will start to develop
his role on the team soon, as he
leaves for New England in less
than two weeks.

"It’s going to get a little stress­
ful," he said. "I found out that on
May 12 I have to leave and I’m
pretty much there for the next
two months."

But he’s saving worries for
later. "I’m trying to ride the wave of
excitement right now," he said.
"I couldn’t be more excited about
this.

The Patriots have won three
of the past five Super Bowls and fin­
ished last season 11-2 with a loss
to Denver in the second round of
the playoffs. Despite his Chicago
heritage, Stevenson thinks his
friends and family will start to

“When I came to Notre Dame
everybody was all of a sudden a
Notre Dame fan," he said. "I hope
the same for the Patriots."

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notions. "I knew that I would be
drafted," Stovall said. "I tried
to go in with too high
expectations ... because the
draft is funny that way."

His time finally came in the
third round when the Tampa
Bay Buccaneers selected him
with the 90th overall pick. He
was the ninth receiver select­
ed behind Ohio State’s Santonio Holmes, Florida’s Chad Jackson, Miami’s Sinorice Moss, Western
Michigan’s Greg Jennings, Miami’s Devin Hester, Oklahoma’s Travis Wilson, Arizona State’s Derek Hagan
and Wisconsin’s Brandon
Williams.

Stovall also became the
highest Notre Dame receiver
drafted since Derrick Mayes
was drafted in 1996 by Green
Bay in the second round (56th
overall). Mayes and Stovall
share second place on Notre
Dame’s single-season touch­
down list (11). "I’m feeling excited
being drafted by Tampa Bay. It’s
the next step in my life," Stovall
said. "(Buccaneers) coach Jon Gruden called me
— might have been while they
were on the clock — and he
did. ‘Welcome to the family.’"

But Stovall was projected to
get higher on many draft
boards. NFLDraftCountdown.com
draft analyst Scott Wright said
Stovall could go as high as the
15th pick in the second round
to Philadelphia. ESPN’s Mel
Kiper had Stovall as his fifth
receiver overall behind
Holmes, Jackson, Moss and
Jennings.

Stovall said he would report
to Tampa Bay Thursday to
formally meet his new coach­
ing staff. He has not spoken to
Irish coach Charlie Weiss
about his new team, who
Weis coached against during
his tenure in the NFL.

Stovall joins an already
accomplished group of
receivers in Tampa Bay
including Joey Galloway (83
catches, 1,287 yards, 10
touchdowns in 2005) and
Michael Clayton (32 catches,
372 yards in 2005). Clayton is
one season removed from a
rookie year in which he had
80 catches for 1,193 yards
and seven touchdowns.

He Killard and B.J.
Johnson also return as Tampa
Bay receivers.

"I’m anxious more so than
terrified," Stovall said. "I know
they have a lot of veter­
ans, and [they are] an experi­
enced group.

Stovall was a leading offen­
sive threat for Notre Dame in
2005. The senior had 69
catches for 1,149 yards
and 11 touchdowns. He had over
100 yards receiving in five
games and went over the 200­
yard mark Oct. 22 against
BYU (14 catches, 207 yards,
four touchdowns).

He also set a Notre Dame
bowl record for receiving
yards when he had nine
catches for 126 yards against
Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl
Jan. 2.

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Former Irish receiver Maurice Stovall, right, catches a touchdown pass during Notre Dame’s 34-10 victory over Syracuse Nov. 10, 2005. Stovall was drafted by the Buccaneers Saturday.

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**FOOTBALL**

**Recruiting trail heats up as top tight end commits**

Mike Ragone announces at press conference he will accept Notre Dame’s scholarship offer to play for Irish

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

Tight end Mike Ragone became the fourth verbal commit- ment of this recruiting season as the New Jersey high school star announced his intention to attend Notre Dame Monday morning at a press conference at his high school. Ragone joins highly touted quarterback Jimmy Clausen — who verbally committed to the Irish April 22 — in a class that also includes defensive end Kerry Neal of Bunn, N.C. and linebacker Aaron Nagel of Lemont, Ill.

Ragone (6-foot-5, 230 pounds) caught 38 passes for 800 yards and eight touchdowns in his junior season at Camden Catholic High School in Cherry Hill, N.J. He runs a 4.5 second 40-yard dash and has earned a 4-star ranking (out of a possible five) by Scout.com.

"Ragone's an unbelievable talent," Frank said. "He's a tight end who can run away from defensive backs. He's just a tremendous prospect."

Irisheyes.com listed Florida State, Ohio State, Penn State and Southern California as schools which had offered scholarships to Ragone before he gave his word to Notre Dame.

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**NFL DRAFT**

**Time to make a mark**

Stovall excited to play in Tampa under Jon Gruden

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Sports Writer

Former Notre Dame wide receiver Maurice Stovall had a seemingly unconventional approach to Saturday's NFL Draft.

While he watched players being called with his own name still remaining on the draft board, it would have been easy for Stovall to grow overly anxious.

But the receiver remained calm — simply enjoying the time he was spending with friends and family waiting for his moment. With endless speculation about where Stovall might land — and what team could use his services — the receiver avoided any preconceived notion.

Former Irish wide receiver Maurice Stovall, left, hauls in one of his four touchdown catches during Notre Dame's 49-23 victory over Louisville Monday, April 17 at Frank Eck Stadium.

**Strong option for another year?**

By MIKE FRANK
Sports Writer

Senior quarterback Jimmy Clausen and senior running back mike Thomas are the No. 8 Irish, who won the No. 9 Flames 28-21 at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse Saturday. Clausen is a 5-star player which I would have thought I never would get.

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**ULTIMATE**

Ohio 15 Notre Dame 14

The Notre Dame women's team lost in the national semifinals to the Bucs.

**SEASON OF A LIFETIME**

By JOHN HILDEBRAND
Sports Writer

It wasn't easy, but the Notre Dame women's tennis team did it. The Irish came from behind to capture the Big East championship, the Irish wait to see where they will travel for the regional.

**SEASON OF A LIFETIME**

By JOHN HILDEBRAND
Sports Writer

The women's tennis team faced off against the Bucs at the NCAA championships beginning May 9 in Florida.

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**BASEBALL**

**Cleveland State hopes for upset**

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Editor

Cleveland State hopes for an upset against Notre Dame at the NCAA championship.

Irish catcher Sean Gaston leads off first base in Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Purdue April 25 at Frank Eck Stadium.

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**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

**Assistant coach Lewis takes job with Gators**

After six years with Brey, Lewis joins Billy Donovan at Florida

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Sports Writer

Irish assistant coach Lewis Preston, who spent the last six seasons with the team, accepted a job at the University of Florida under head coach Billy Donovan, the Notre Dame athletic department said in a statement Friday.

Former Florida assistant coach Anthony Grant left the Gators to take the head coaching job at Virginia Commonwealth. Preston was hired as Grant's replacement after spending much of his time at Notre Dame working with post players including Torin Francis and Rick Cornett.

"I really thought Billy Donovan established him as his guy right out of the gate," Irish coach Mike Brey said in a telephone interview Monday. "I kinda had a feeling even before we went down there that if it went well he would offer him a job."

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**NHL PLAYOFFS**

**Oilers 4 Red Wings 3**

Detroit blew a 3-goal lead in the third period and was eliminated from the playoffs.

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