Breytopia fans barred from gathering

Du Lac requires students to apply for permission from Student Activities Office to assemble

By CHRISS HINNE and BILL BRINK

Students and Irish fans who have camped out before basketball games in what some have nick­
named "Breytopia," in honor of men's basketball coach Mike Brey, were asked to vacate the area near the Joyce Center on Feb. 22.

University officials did not say why this occurred, but one official said the practice probably will not be allowed in the future.

According to the Doyle, students wishing to assemble on campus grounds must apply for permission with the Student Activities Office. The members of the camp near gate 11 of the Joyce Center did not apply for this permission.

In the past, NISP did not ask the campers to leave, even though it knew about previous gatherings, according to senior Kyle Miller, who helped organize the camp.

However, two days before Notre Dame faced off against Syracuse, an NISP officer told students to abandon their camp or face possible disciplinary action from Residence Life, Miller said.

Bill Kirk, associate vice president for Residence Life, said the University will likely prohibit stu­
dents from forming camps similar to Breytopia in the future.

"While I understand and share the desire of students to show their support for the team in advance of important games, I think that there are better and safer ways to do so than "camping out," Kirk said in an e-mail to The Observer. "For some time now, the University has discouraged the practice and for several reasons, primarily related to safety and security. I don't expect that we would be inclined" to Breytopia in the future.

Simonton condemns media stereotypes

Former model addresses harmful effects of pop culture on women at University conference

By ANN-MARIE WOODS

After being gang raped, Ann Simonton, a former fashion model who graced the covers of popular magazines and appeared in numerous television commer­
cials, condemned the media's objectification and abuse of women Tuesday.

Simonton, whose lecture, "Sex, Power and the Media" was a part of Notre Dame's "Live As You Are: 2008 Health and Body Image Conference," at McKenna Hall said the media perpetuates objectification of women through the images and messages adver­
tisements send out to women which advocate poor body and self image throughout the world.

Huerta discusses diversity at College

Diversity lecture examines role of women in immigration, social change

By NIKKI TAYLOR

Dolores Huerta, co-founder of the United Farm Workers and one of the leaders of the labor movement of the 20th century, spoke twice at Saint Mary's yest­
erday addressing the issues of a woman's role in social change and immigration reform.

Immigration reform is a hot issue, especially in this election year, Huerta said.

"Unless you're Native American, we all came from somewhere," she said, telling everyone in the audience that they are diverse.

Huerta said there are many important jobs that potentially unde­
do­
cumented immigrants have in the United States. They pick our crops, watch our children, take care of our elderly, cook our food and clean our buildings. They come here to do these jobs, because there are no opportunities for them in their own countries, Huerta said.

"Nobody wants to leave their home to come here," she said, "They only do it out of sheer necessity."

This necessity, Huerta said, is partially America's fault.

Free trade with Mexico is wreaking havoc on Mexican small business owners in what Huerta called "economic colo­
nization."

For example, America sells government subsidized corn in

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Sophomore sheds light on anorexia

Gilbride’s letter ushers in Eating Disorder Week

By BECKY HOGAN

Sophomore Tara Gilbride sat nervously in front of her computer for five minutes before she finally hit the "submit" button, sending her Viewpoint letter, "Get the Help You Need," which would announce to her friends and campus community that she had an eating disorder.

Her Feb. 27 Letter to the Editor may have been the perfect thing they have to hide. Gov­
ernment's "Live As You Are: 2008 Health and Body Image Conference" taking place this week in observance of National Eating Disorder Awareness Week.

"I know a lot of people who are struggling with eating disorders and this is something they have to hide," Gilbride, who battles anorexia, said. "I feel comfortable letting [people] on campus know who don't feel comfort­
ble that [an eating disorders] is not a shameful thing to be struggling with."

This week's Health and Body Image Conference is essential to bringing aware­
ness of eating disorders and educating the campus community about the issues. "People need to be aware and be in dialogue about issues that's been floating around for a while," Gilbride said.

If the University continues its current hiring practices, however, it will eventually fall below that quota, executive recognizes that they are a

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Group discusses Catholic faculty

By JOSEPH McMATHON

The Council of Representatives met Tuesday to discuss concerns raised by students during a February town hall meeting about the University's attitude about hiring a Catholic majority faculty.

Last summer, Notre Dame said that it would not allow the percentage of Catholic faculty to fall below 51 per­
cent, but the University has yet to institute an official pol­
icy on the subject.

"It's not a directive coming down," student body presi­
dent Liz Brown said. "It's an issue that we're floating around for a while."
INSIDE COLUMN

Who would I be?

HBO has introduced this generation to two different casts of characters who not only provide audiences with hours of entertainment, but present unique personalities to whom viewers can personally relate.

In 2004, "Sex and the City" tragically ended its six-season long era of glory. Needless to say, I was devastat-ed. It was like I had lost four good friends in Carrie, Miranda, Charlotte and Samantha. But I was hesitant a few years later when I learned that a new comedic-drama would ascend the HBO throne and that "Sex and the City" once reigned. My friends all compelled me to give it a try, saying it's just like "Sex and the City," only with men, and on the West Coast instead of New York.

I have to admit, although it was no replacement for my beloved urban show, "Intourage" claimed a special place in my heart, and I realized that its appeal to men was as strong as "Sex and the City"'s appeal to women.

 Mention the names Vinnie, Turtle, Ari, Drama or E to any male these days and he will not only know about whom you are speaking, but also feel a personal connection to one or some of the characters of this Sunday night program. Mention Medellin, Dom's wife or "Victory" and audiences will smile nostalgically, as if he himself shared some special moment with the boys from Queens.

Not only will male audiences remember such characters and situations, but they will also compare themselves to the different characters.

Two many countless cocky male friends of mine have declared confidently, "I'd be Ari." Why? Because Vinnie is the smooth one, the one who is charismatic, charming, and obviously a hit with the ladies. Similarly, some of my self-assured female friends of mine adore, "Me? Oh, I'd be Carrie," the chic, creative and humorous narrator of "Sex and the City."

It is when I ask a friend the question seriously of which character best describes his or her personality will he or she stop and consider that they might be a little mix of a number of characters. For example, I often feel myself cynical like Miranda, the urban attorney, while at the same time identify with the romanticism and emotion of Charlotte. Similarly, Bill Brink, to my left, is a self-described Turtle, but I see him as more of the charming, assertive E, taking charge of the serious actions that keep us all in line.

Identifying with these characters gives us reason to become utterly enthralled with these shows, and gives us reason to keep coming back for more.

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"I'm too tanned and good-looking to be Irish, so I don't care."

"Having brunch with my mom."

"Watching Notre Dame win the Big East tournament."

"Pretending I'm legitimately Irish for 72 straight hours."

IN BRIEF

Saint Mary's campus ministry will host a candlelit Mass tonight at 9 in the Holy Spirit Chapel in LeMoyne Hall to pray for the issue of immigration and immigrants all over the world.

Students from Sorin College will be collecting candy donations at the LaFortune Elevator Lobby tonight from 4 to 7. They will donate the candy to the Boys and Girls Club of South Bend to help create Easter baskets.

The Notre Dame women's lacrosse team will play Delaware at 3 p.m. Thursday on Moose Krause Field.

The film "I'm Not There," which tells the story of legendary singer Bob Dylan at different stages of his life and with different actors in the lead role, will be shown at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on Thursday at 7 p.m.

There will be Stations of the Cross on Friday at 7:15 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. Stations will be held each Friday during Lent.

Flipside will host an Easter egg hunt Saturday from 10 a.m. to midnight on Bond Quad. Participants will receive flashlights and will search for colored plastic Easter eggs containing candy.

Circle K will host an ice cream social Sunday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Notre Dame Room of the LaFortune Student Center.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, email detailed information about an event to onews@nd.edu

CORRECTIONS

"The Vigots Monologues" will run from March 28-28, not March 24-28.

Chael Allen had 151 points, not 1,457, after a win over South Florida and paired Sheila McMillans, not Male long, on the all-time scoring list.

Trina Holland is an senior Vice President, not the senior Vice President of Student Life, at Holy Cross College. The Observer regrets this error.

OFFBEAT

Urine prank makes students ill at Tenn. high school

CHURCH HILL, Tenn. — Investigators are searching for whoever poured de­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­…
Obama victorious in Mississippi

Illinois senator continues to win black vote in Deep South primary

Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. — Barack Obama coasted to victory in Mississippi's Democratic primary Tuesday, latest in a string of victories that has dominated presidential contest across the Deep South and a final contest that was merely a high-stakes race with Hillary Clinton in Pennsylvania.

Obama was winning rough-ly 90 percent of the black vote but only about one-quarter of the white vote, extending a pattern that car­ried him to victory in earlier primaries in South Carolina, Ala-ba and Louisi­ana.

His triumph seemed unlike­ly to shorten a Democratic mara­thon that is expected to last at least another six or more weeks — and far longer — while Republicans and their nominates-in-waiting, Sen. John McCain of Arizona and Sen. John Edwards of South Carolina, continue to battle for the attention of the fall campaign.

"Now we look forward to campaigning in Pennsylvania and Ohio, and then there's Maggie Willie, Clinton's campaign manager, said in a written statement that con­gratulated Obama on his vic­tory.

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Mexico, which is cheaper than the US, are being sold and grown by the small Mexican farmers. The Mexican farmers are then brought to the US to work on our farms, Huerta said. Similarly the Wal-Mart Corporation has expanded to Mexico and is having the same effect on small business owners, Huerta said.
Huerta said she felt there should be legislation making it easier for the undocumented people already in the country to become legal citizens. Undocumented people add billions of dollars to our economy, she said. She does not believe in deportation, as most of the people deported are active and live like any other citizen.
"These are people who have been here for fifteen years and their kids are in school, and they got a knock on the door at 2 a.m. and say 'you have to leave,'" Huerta said.
As far as the proposed building of a wall on the Mexican border, Huerta also had a negative opinion.
"We're against walls, right? Didn't we want to bring down the Berlin Wall? We want to put one between our biggest trading partner?" Huerta questioned.
She is also unhappy with the fact that most of the anti-immigration attention is being put on Latinos.
"There are undocumented Eastern Europeans, but no one cares," Huerta said. "They are white. [People are] against people who are brown.
Huerta called on the audience and all people to take a stand and to be proactive.
She suggested calling or sending postcards to state and local representatives asking them to be sensitive on the issue of immigration and to realize that the legislation effects peoples lives.
"You have to think about your years and what you can do to make this world a better place," Huerta said. "If we don't do it, nobody's going to do it for us. We have to use our power.
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assistant Sheena Platmost said. She added that the topic might be the issue that the Brown administration chooses for its final report to the Board of Trustees.
Junior class president and student body president elect Bob Reish thought the meeting was very productive and provided a good environment to discuss the issue.
"An actual town hall meeting was a great idea," said Reish, who is also the student body president-elect for next school year. "Having a mandatory meeting like that once a semester is a good idea.
However, there were some issues with the objectivity of the debate. Cavanaugh senator Robin Link said that the "moderate" representative was "too conservative," and "swayed the conversation to the conservative side.
Student body vice president Maris Braun agreed, adding that many of the students in attendance were probably in support of hiring a majority of Catholic faculty.
"When you have events like this, you sort of self-select," she said. "I don't know if the students who are passionate about maintaining Catholic faculty would have shown up."
Howard senator Erinna Francillon said that input from the student body is important to the debate on this topic, adding that diverse perspectives are also important when forming a faculty.
"We have to live with the day-to-day consequences of this decision," Francillon said. "You can't really learn a lot about your faith when everyone around you is the same.
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in grant approval to do so anytime in the future.
Miller said NSIP did not explain to the students why they were asked to leave this time.
"They've known about it every time we've done it," Miller said. "This particular time they decided to enforce the rule.
Phil Johnson, director of NSIP, said he did not know why the campers weren't asked to move on other occasions, but said it is NSIP policy to ask students who are unable on campus grounds without a permit to leave.
"If a group doesn't have permission to use campus grounds, it wouldn't be uncommon for us to ask them to discontinue what they're doing," Johnson said.
In a letter to the Observer, Kirk did not respond to questions regarding why students were asked to leave on this specific occasion and noted in the past.
The camper he has been coming out for basketball games since he was a freshman. On previous occasions, he said NSIP officers have come by the ramp to "make sure nobody goes on a hard time," but never asked the campers to leave.
This season, Miller said he and dozens of other students camped out before the games against Pittsburgh, DePaul and Marquette before NSIP asked them to leave prior to the Syracuse game.
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Britain attempts to build pride LONDON — The idea sounds simple: Build British pride through pledging allegiance, a new national holiday and citizenship ceremonies for even immigrants.

But the proposal Tuesday from a government panel calling for the introduction of Alternative Milestones instead of the traditional three may be too much of a good thing, critics say.

"The new trainers are expected to improve the performance of the police forces," said Hobert, the author of the proposal.

"We are working with the new trainers to ensure that they are as effective as possible."

France tries to restore ties with Israel

PARIS — French President Nicolas Sarkozy wants to rebuild Franco-Israeli relations, which sank to a new low last year after Israel launched an offensive in Gaza that left more than 1,100 Palestinians dead.

"We must work to strengthen our ties with Israel," Sarkozy said in a speech Tuesday. "We are working to build a new partnership based on mutual respect and understanding."

New study finds STIs in teens on rise

CHICAGO — At least one in four teenagers in America with a sexually transmitted disease, suggests a recent study. The study found that a quarter of American teenagers said they had had sex in the last year, despite being warned to avoid risky behavior.

Some doctors said the numbers might be a reflection of a lack of education and awareness of the issues. But others said the findings are cause for concern.

Women forgotten in holding cell

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — A woman being held in a holding cell died Monday after being isolated with no food, water or toilet, authorities and the woman's friends said.

"She was in there for hours," said Adriana Torres-Flores, a friend of the woman. "She didn't have anything to eat or drink." Torres-Flores said the woman's family was not notified until after she died.

LOCAL NEWS

Student brings gun to high school

SOUTH BEND — An 18-year-old student who actually had a gun in his backpack was arrested after police say he came to school with a loaded handgun concealed in his duffel bag.

The Washington High School student faced pre-trial hearings Wednesday, in connection with his alleged possession of a handgun on school property and was being held at the St. Joseph County Jail on Monday night, said South Bend Police Department.

"The student turned the gun over to a teacher Monday night, said the student was being taken to a local hospital for treatment," said Robert L. Zimmerman, superintendent of the South Bend Community School Corporation.

In Pakistan

Explosions create pressure for dialogue

LAHORE — The spread of terrorism across Pakistan Tuesday cast a shadow over the country's otherwise normal day, as a bomb exploded at a passenger bus station in the city of Rawalpindi, killing at least five people and wounding several others.

"This was an inside job," said Lashkar-e-Taiba, the group that claimed responsibility for the attack. "It was an attempt to disrupt our daily life in the city."
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problem on campus.  
"It's definitely not unique to Notre Dame," she said.  
"It's our general culture that cases the problem."
Although she was apprehensive about the reactions she would receive after submitting her letter, Gilbride said she had a great support system of family and friends behind her that encouraged her to reach out to others in the campus community who may also struggle with eating disorders.  
"There has been an amazing response," she said.  
"What surprises me that it's guys and girls who have been contacting me."
Gilbride said she has received e-mails from both students and alumni thanking her for raising awareness about the issue of eating disorders.
"I was hoping for a positive response from the Notre Dame family, but I didn't expect such a large response. I thought I would get an e-mail or two, but the amount of people who responded surpassed my expectations," Gilbride said.  
"I've had four e-mails from students on campus saying they are struggling with eating disorders or have a family member or friend struggling with one."
Gilbride said writing the letter has helped create dialogue among her own circle of friends.
"It has also opened up an avenue for people I thought I knew really well — friends of mine who had no idea that were struggling — to reach out to me," she said.  
After submitting her letter, Gilbride said she has encountered two different reactions now that people are aware of her eating disorder.  
"Either people are extremely supportive or really uncomfortable about it. Even some of my best friends have said nothing to me and don't acknowledge it," she said.  
"All the responses have either been positive or people are not comfortable with it, which is fine with because it's a sensitive topic."
For Gilbride, one of the greatest challenges she faces in battling anorexia is the misconceptions that others have of the disease.  
"It's ... a mental health issue. To me, it's a disease like any other and it's not something anyone chooses to have, so it shouldn't be treated as something shameful," Gilbride said.
Gilbride also said social influences can make it very difficult to deal with eating disorders.
"Images from media portray eating disorders as something shameful. Celebrities go into rehab in private ... and people think you should be able to control it," Gilbride said.  
"If you look at me you probably couldn't tell. People can hide it really well. It's not just the literally stick-thin girls who have eating disorders."
Gilbride said these misconceptions pose serious health risks because many people don't understand how grave eating disorders can be.
"I think the biggest misconception is that they are not harmful ... you can die from them and they are damaging to your body," she said.  
"Eating disorders can kill you and people don't take it seriously as they should."
Gilbride said her eating disorder was something that she had been dealing with at some level for many years and that it will continue to be an on-going struggle throughout her life.
"I was runner in high school and I got injured, so I wasn't doing physical activity but I was watching other people do physical activity," she said.  
"This was coupled with coming to college and the pressures any college freshman faces."
Gilbride said Notre Dame Health Services and the University Counseling Center have been essential in helping her get her eating disorder under control by providing her with counselors, physicians and nutritionists.
"Based on my experience, the University has enough resources, it's just that not enough people are using them," Gilbride said.  
"The resources are there and the University would bend over backwards to help students."
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Harvard prof to speak at University

Special to The Observer

Rev. J. Bryan Hehir, an internationally renowned theologian who specializes in Catholic social teaching and international relations, will deliver the 14th annual Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C. S. C., Lectures in Ethics and Public Policy March 25 and 26 at Notre Dame.  
Twenty-five years ago, Hehir was the chief architect of the U.S. Catholic bishops' influential statement on nuclear weapons, "The Challenge of Peace." He is the Parker Gilbert Montgomery Professor of the Practice of Religion and Public Life at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.  
Hehir will speak on "Beyond the Challenge of Peace: Pastoral Letter for Our Day," March 25 at 4:15 p.m. in the auditorium of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies. The lecture will be followed by a reception in the Great Hall.  
He will speak on "The Hardest Case: The Politics and Ethics of Proliferation" March 26 at 12:30 p.m., also in the Hesburgh Center auditorium.
David Cortright, an expert on nuclear weapons policy and a research fellow at Notre Dame's Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, will respond.
Both lectures are free and open to the public.
Hehir previously served as president and CEO of Catholic Charities USA. In the 1980s, he was policy advisor to the U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops in Washington, D.C. He also has served as the Joseph P. Kennedy Professor of Christian Ethics at Georgetown University's Kennedy Institute of Ethics and as a professor in religion and society at Harvard Divinity School.
Hehir is the recipient of numerous honors, including a MacArthur Foundation "genius" award (1984) and honorary degrees from more than 25 institutions. He has written extensively on ethics and foreign policy, Catholic social ethics and the role of religion in world politics and American society. His publications include "The Moral Measurement of War," "Military Intervention and National Sovereignty," "Catholicism and Democracy," "Social Values and Public Policy," and "The Moral Dimension in the Use of Force."
The Federal Treasury securities available to big Wall Street institutions face cash crunches. recent increases in demand have gone up by $23 billion since last year alone.

NEW YORK — The cost of filling up the family car climbed to a record high Tuesday, adding to the scramble consumers already face with falling home values and rising food prices.

Gas rates at the pump rose overnight to a record national average of $3.227 per gallon, according to AAA and the Oil Price Information Service. That’s a tad higher than the previous record of $3.226 set last May.

Soaring gas prices worsen the financial plight of consumers already suffering through a downturn in the housing market. New York has sharply reduced home prices in many markets and limited American’s ability to tap home equity for spending. Food prices are also on the rise, partly due to rising fuel costs.

"I used to think three bucks a gallon was all I’d pay, but I keep filling up," said Joe Gowans while gassing his Acura SUV in San Francisco: one recent afternoon. "You have to use a year ago, rising demand and a string of refinery outages had raised concerns about supplies. Now, the record price of crude oil is in the culprit, propelling gas higher, although supplies are at near-year highs. On Tuesday, light sweet crude oil, the benchmark April delivery surged to a new trading record of $109.72 on the New York Mercantile Exchange before retreating to the the Energy Department and International Energy Agency's latest consumption forecasts for this year. Futures settled 85 cents higher at $108.75 a barrel, a new record.

Where gas and oil go from here is anybody’s guess. Many analysts expect prices to moderate, while others predict oil could keep rising to $120 a barrel, or higher. And with demand for gas expected to rise as warm weather arrives, analysts say pump prices could spike as high as $1.75 a gallon, regardless of what happens with oil prices. The Energy Department on Tuesday raised its forecast of how high prices will rise this spring by a dime to $3.50 a gallon.

"I’ve got to say, if they ever go up to $3.50, that would be the point where I’d feel angry," said Alex Magby, a Morrisville, Pa., resident who was filling up his tank near his New Jersey restaurant job one recent afternoon. "I’d feel cheated at that point.

High prices are painful to New York cab drivers like Brandon Young, who spends $35 to $40 on gas each day. Before it skyrocketed, I used to pay $25." Younge

Still, because gas is so expensive, analysts expect demand for fuel will rise more slowly this spring and summer than in previous years. Nationwide demand for gasoline is off by about 1 percent over the last 6 weeks, a trend analysis expect to accelerate if prices keep rising.

"We don’t go visit family as much," said Steve Bagos, of Pocono, Pa., while gassing up a company car in Manhattan Tuesday. "Just try to stay local."

Google takes control of ad service

SAN FRANCISCO — Google Inc.'s long-anticipated acquisition of online ad service DoubleClick Inc. is expected to turn the Internet search leader into an even more powerful marketing vehicle that's fueled by better insights about consumers.

The $3.1 billion deal, completed Tuesday, is nearly a year of regulatory wrangling, also may intensify the pressure on Microsoft Corp. and Yahoo Inc. to stand their ground as the dominant search engine so they don’t risk further distractions while Google tries to sprint further ahead in online advertising races.

Google took control of DoubleClick a few hours after Europe’s antitrust regulators removed the final stumbling block by approving a deal that was first announced 11 months ago.

U.S. regulators cleared the transaction in December, casting aside objections from Microsoft and other companies that argued DoubleClick would give Google too much control over online advertising and potentially sensitive information about consumer behavior on the Internet.

Besides opening up new opportunities, Google’s takeover of DoubleClick will create more challenges for a management team already grappling with concerns about how the slowing U.S. economy will affect the company’s earnings growth this year.

Google Chairman Eric Schmidt acknowledged in a statement that the biggest acquisition in the company’s 9-year history probably will trigger an unspecified number of layoffs after years of relentless hiring. The looming job cuts will be concentrated in the United States, although Schmidt said offices in other countries could be affected.

New York-based DoubleClick has 1,500 employees with offices in France, England, Germany, Ireland, Spain, Australia and Spain. Mountain View-based Google employs nearly 17,000 workers, up from 1,600 just four years ago.

Google’s recently slumping shares soared with the rest of the stock market Tuesday, gaining $29.22, or 6.3 percent, to $439.84. The company’s stock price remains down by 36 percent so far this year.

DoubleClick is expected to broaden Google’s already extensive reach in the $40 billion Internet advertising market. Google has been the market’s most dominant player so far, generating more than $16 billion in revenue last year. Most of the money flowed in from written ads that Google places alongside search results and other Web content.

DoubleClick specializes in placing more dynamic, multimedia ads, a form of marketing that is expected to become more important in the next few years as big companies spend more money promoting their brands online.
Lawmakers seek to ban salvia
Hallucinogenic grows in popularity, thought to be the next marijuana

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — On Web sites touting the mind-blowing powers of Salvia divinorum come-ons to buy the hallucinogenic herb are accompanied by warnings: "Time is running out!" and "stock up while you still can."

That's because salvia is being targeted by lawmakers concerned that the inexpensive and easy-to-obtain plant could become the next marijuana. Eight states have already placed restrictions on salvia, and 16 others, including Florida, are considering a ban or have previously.

"As soon as we make one drug illegal, kids start looking around for other drugs they can buy legally," said Florida state Rep. Mary Brandenburg, who has introduced a bill to make possession of salvia a felony punishable by up to five years in prison.

Some say legislators are overreacting to a minor problem, but no one disputes that the plant impairs judgment and the ability to drive.

Native to Mexico and still grown there, Salvia divinorum is generally smoked but can also be chewed or made into a tea and drunk.

Called nicknames like Sally D., Magic Mint and Diviner's Sage, salvia is a hallucinogen that gives users an out-of-body sense of traveling through time and space or merging with inanimate objects. Unlike hallucinogens like LSD or PCP, however, salvia's effects last for a shorter time, generally up to an hour.

Salvia divinorum is not one of the several varieties of common ornamental garden plants known as Salvia. No known deaths have been attributed to salvia's use, but it was listed as a factor in one Delaware teen's suicide two years ago. "Parents, I would say, are pretty clueless," said Jonathan Appel, an assistant professor of psychology and criminal justice at Tiffin University in Ohio who has studied the emergence of the substance. "It's much more powerful than marijuana."

Salvia's short-lasting effects and the fact that it is currently legal may make it seem more appealing to teens, lawmakers say. In the Delaware suicide, the boy's mother told reporters that salvia made his mood darker but he justified its use by saying he was just experimenting. To reports, the autopsy found no traces of the drug in his system, but the medical examiner listed it as a contributing cause.

"Mike Strain, Louisiana's Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner and former legislator, helped his state in 2005 become the first to make salvia illegal, along with a number of other plants. He said the response has been largely positive.

"I got some hostile e-mails from people who sold these products," Strain said. "You don't make everybody happy when you outlaw drugs. You save one child and it's worth it."

An ounce of salvia leaves sells for around $30 on the Internet. A liquid extract from the plant, salvinorin A, is also sold in various strengths labeled "5x" through "50x." A gram of the 5x strength, about the weight of a plastic pen cap, is about $12 while 60x strength is around $65. And in some cases the extract comes in flavors including apple, strawberry and bubble gum.

Web sites such as Salvadragon.com tout the product with images like a waterfall and rainbow and include testimonials like "It might sound far fetched, but I experience immortality."

ND law prof calls for urgency against terror

Special to the Observer

Immediately following the attacks on the United States of Sept. 11, 2001, the United Nations developed an international legal framework to deprive al Qaeda of funding. "Unfortunately, that sense of urgency has been diluted... it no longer exists," Notre Dame law professor Jim my Gurule said.

Last week, in a BBC interview, Gurule, who was undersecretary for enforcement at the U.S. Department of the Treasury when the Sept. 11 attacks occurred, criticized U.N. efforts to impede Al Qaeda's financial operations.

"The reality is that the sanctions committee of the U.N. is no longer freezing terrorist funds," said Gurule, who added that the reasons for the failure vary from nation to nation. Some countries find it cumbersome, and others may not see the value of the terrorist-designation process anymore. "But the duty to freeze the assets of terrorists is not a discretionary one. It is required by a U.N. Security Council resolution, which has the effect of international law," he said.

Gurule said that in the three months following Sept. 11, the United Nations placed approximately 280 names on the U.N. sanctions list. Last year, only eight names were added.

"Understandingly, states want to be sure that they're freezing the accounts of the right individuals, but there are well-recognized senior leaders of the Taliban and al-Qaeda-affiliated groups whose names have not been placed on the list. States need to be held accountable for that," he said.

Gurule proposed a solution similar to one used to fight money laundering several years ago. Countries that were not in compliance with the international standards on money laundering were placed on a list of non-cooperative countries and territories. A similar list could be created for countries that are non-compliant with international standards on terrorist financing.

"I think states would not want to be placed on such a list, so there would be a real incentive for them to come into compliance with their international obligations," he said.
COLUMBIA

President leads cross-border raid against insurgents

Uribe recovers information from rebel laptops, learns of Ecuadorian and Venezuelan alliance with resistance group

Associated Press

BOGOTA — A cross-border raid into Ecuador to kill a senior Colombian guerrilla was a calculated risk that paid off for President Alvaro Uribe.

He survived a high-stakes diplomatic dustup and reaped a rebel laptop with files indicating Colombia's leftist neighbors conspired with the insurgents against him. The biggest negative has been the anger of relatives of rebel hostages who fear the attack will impede more releases.

For the conservative Uribe, eliminating leftist rebel commandantes is personal. Fighters of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, killed his rancher father in 1983. His two-term presidency has, to a considerable degree, been about payback.

The popular, U.S.-backed Uribe has long railed at and its main link to the outside world.

Uribe's argument that he recovered three laptops. Electronic files from one likely due to Uribe's quick made and his own record. But it wasn't that difficult to do it. Things were going well with the releases.

On Saturday, Uribe scored another victory when a second member of the FARC's secretariat, Ivan Rios, was killed by Rios' own chief of security, who is seeking reward money.

Colombia's military cheered the two killings as crippling for the FARC. But former Sen. Luis Eladio Perez, who spent 6 years as a FARC hostage until his release last week, doubts the rebels are seriously weakened. He said their movement provides the only economic opportunities for people in Colombia's violence-affected areas, forgotten backwaters.

"The FARC doesn't have trouble attracting," Perez told AP. "It provides its people with jobs. They don't have many little things, like a watch." Perez was held since July with three U.S. military contractors — Marc Gonzales, Keith Stansell and Thomas Howes — who fell into FARC hands in 2003. Gonzales' mother is at her wit's end with Colombia's leader.

"Uribe is constantly sowing the seeds of fear. "It can't be done if you are not a fanatic of the FARC. But enough is enough."
The Lastaure Medal has been worn only by men and women whose genius has ennobled the arts and sciences, illustrated the ideals of the Church, and enriched the heritage of humanity. The Lastaure Medal given to General William Sheen, theSelective Pacifist, reflects the viewpoint that those who renounce violence are entitled to a strong benefit of the doubt. Those who renounce violence...
Practicing true sustainability

Every morning in Bangalore, my host father, Prabhakar, awoke at 6 a.m. to select fruits and vegetables from a freshly stocked sidewalk stand on the main road of Th Thangoretnagar, his residential neighborhood. Afterward, he stopped by a local restaurant to pick up warm idli (a sweet rice cake) or masala dosas that were neatly packaged in one sheet of thin wax paper, newspaper, and string. After his morning exercises and prayers, he prepared one sheet of thin wax paper, newspaper, and spices. Each morning I was greeted with a cup of chai tea and a food grade rim that I used to wipe away my eyeliner.

This breakfast story is one example that contrasts two lifestyles that have different environmental impacts. "Sustainability," "environmentalism," "going green"—these are buzzwords that are omnipresently sprinkled in academia, retail, and the media. The latest Nobel Peace Prize went to people who alerted the public to the need to make climate change. At MIT, we’re faced with the challenge of creating technologies to address present and future energy and environmental needs. Then there is the term "green consumer," the do-gooder who buys organic or a hybrid vehicle or solar panels in the name of a "green revolution.

What does sustainability mean, anyway? It is generally agreed to be good, but a complete definition eludes me. I’ve heard a few attempts to give the word substance: a process that makes ecological systems more productive, making sure that future generations are as well off as the current generation, and saving the planet from doomsday because “it’s only the one we got.” And what does practicing sustainability look like? I feel like I’m waiting for sustainable technologies and items to purchase, but in elementary school I learned to reduce, reuse, and recycle to rescue the environment. This strategy actually equates sustainability to having less.

My homestay families in India and China practiced sustainability without energy-saving light bulbs and other eco-friendly products. The only trash can in my Bangalore house was a 2.5 gallon kitchen bin. Most of our waste could be fed to the outdoor compost bin because it was organic. Ceiling fans and floor to ceiling windows provided adequate ventilation with no central cooling/room air conditioner. A bucket of water I could shampoo and rinse. We hung our clothes to dry on the porch. In Beijing, I visited a classmate who lived in her host family’s type of a communal-style housing with shared public bathrooms. One three-person family lived in two small rooms with a total floor area less than that of my freshman generation enters a higher class living standard, maybe we Indians should aim to imitate lifestyles of our international cohorts in order to truly go green. If everyone lives and buys like Americans do, sustainability is dead (if you haven’t yet seen it, watch "The Story of Stuff" at storyofstuff.com). But if Americans were to live and buy like my homestay families, maybe we Americans should aim to imitate lifestyles of our international cohorts in order to truly go green. If everyone lives and buys like Americans do, sustainability is dead (if you haven’t yet seen it, watch "The Story of Stuff" at storyofstuff.com).

It is clear that this is not easy. Sure, sometimes I put my Nalgene to good use, opt for silverware over plasticware, refrain from having their groceries bagged, and turn off the lights in a empty dorm room. But I don’t judge when it comes to my stuff. After traveling around the world with two small bags, I was shocked by how much junk I had in dorm rooms and more and even more shocked by how many people I have to part with. A real commitment to sustainability requires a change in lifestyle. Is it a commitment that we’re willing to make?

This column first appeared in the Mar. 11 issue of The Tech, the daily publication of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Those reassigned in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Michael Chertoff, head of the Department of Homeland Security, is trying to push his Real ID notion before he’s booted out of office. Despite what the media wouldn’t want to hear, this move is a step toward a national database, he’s essentially just linking smaller databases under one national database. In a post-Sept. 11 world, it has become far too common that the government decides to do something to make it look like they’re getting things done as quickly as possible when they aren’t really getting anything done at all.

The rationale behind this national system of America is that it allows agencies to keep terrorists from getting on planes. I’m sure how iden...
By CAITLIN FERRARO
Scene Writer

Perhaps the creators behind the spectacular "10,000 B.C." hoped for the "300"-type success with this project by also using a March release date and colossal special effects. However, the film fails to arouse the same sentiments as the Spartan epic. The usually entertaining direction and writing of Roland Emmerich falls short. Not even the narration of the great Omar Sharif ("Lawrence of Arabia") can save this work.

The shaky foundation of the film is the love story between D'Leh (Steven Strait) and Evolet (Camilla Belle), but the character development is so poor that you never feel emotionally connected to their saga. Evolet joins D'Leh's tribe after her's is massacred beginning "the legend of the child with blue eyes." Emmerich misses the mark with his audience because those who loved "300" came for the action and didn't stay for this hokey love story.

The basic premise is that "four-legged demons" — pillagers on horses — kidnap D'Leh's people including his ladylove Evolet. Armed with the sacred White Spear and his 21st century perfect smile, D'Leh along with Tic'Tic (Cliff Curtis), the tribe's community elder, must rescue her while fulfilling a few prophecies along the way.

In one scene D'Leh is trapped in a hole with a massive CGI saber-tooth tiger and instead of killing him he sets him free. Later the tiger remembers D'Leh as his releaser, which fulfills yet another cheesy prophecy as "the one who speaks to sparrow-tooth." This allows him to garner support from other ransacked tribes to battle the evil empire. D'Leh and the warriors he rounds up, inspired by overly convenient prophecies, lead a revolt against a corrupt god-king who has been capturing slaves from primitive tribes to build pyramids.

Curtis is by far the strongest actor as his character men-

10,000 B.C.
Warner Bros.

Director: Roland Emmerich
Written by: Roland Emmerich and Harald Kloser
Starring: Steven Strait, Camilla Belle and Cliff Curtis

D'Leth (Steven Strait) has a face-to-fangs meeting with a saber-tooth tiger in "10,000 B.C."
By MYCHAL STANLEY
Scene Writer

In a track on their first EP, Welsh newcomers Los Campesinos! proclaimed they were trying to find the perfect match between pretentious and pop. This venture is nothing new in the genre of indie pop. One of the largest criticisms leveled at indie pop is that it’s too cute, too quaint.

And while tracks with titles like “This is How You Spell HAIHAHA, We Destroyed the Hopes and Dreams of a Generation of Faux-Romantics” certainly give the air of pretension, one listen shows exactly how clever and joyful the band really is. They’ve certainly been able to reach that middle ground between the pop of indie pop and the pretentiousness of the genre.

As soon as the entire seven piece band admonishes the listener in the song “Don’t Tell Me to Do the Math(s)” to “give your life to literature, but DON’T READ JANE EYRE,” it’s impossible not to be sold on the exuberant cleverness of their music. Add on that the band is throwing pop hooks from instruments ranging from glockenspiels to violins, in addition to the usual drums, bass, and guitar and you get a band that’s pretty much forcing you to get out of your chair and dance.

It doesn’t matter that the band bellows lines like, “the opposite of true love is as follows: REALITY!” in the song “We are All Accelerated Readers.” If being miserable and unlucky in love sounds this much fun, pretty much anyone can do without love for a little while. But the hilariously clever lyrics don’t end there.

When Gareth sarcastically shouts, “Four sweaty boys with guitars tell me NOTHING about my life,” in “…And We Exhale and Roll Our Eyes in Unison” you’ll wonder why you put so much weight in a band’s words. The band may tell you that “this song is not gonna save your relationship,” but it is easy to see that they are a group of seven people who love and worship music as much as you do. They just decided to pick up instruments and make some of their own.

The Do-It-Yourself attitude of the music does poke through. The instruments are played loud and all at once. Gareth and Aleksandra Campesinos! trade yelps until the entire band joins in the shouting. Their love for the music they’re making is immediately apparent because they just seem to be having so much fun in the studio. It’s the kind of jubilation found in the best songs of bands like Architecture in Helsinki, I’m From Barcelona, and The Polyphonic Spree, except with Los Campesinos!, it just seems so effortless.

A hit against the band and their music, however, is that they have very little subtlety. Their lyrics and wordplay are clever, but there’s little doubt about what they’re singing. The vocals consist of one, two, or all seven band members trading shouts. And while their use of melodic hooks, crescendos, and interludes are wonderfully placed and constructed, they play their instruments all at the same time and at the same volume. One could call them busy and unrefined, but they’re just having too much fun to care.

The hard copy of this album doesn’t come out until April 1st, but is already available digitally. Seriously, go to their MySpace page and try out some of their songs. Consider buying their album, or at least an EP. If you do this, you may have just found your new favorite band. They’re that good.

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Brandon Roy takes charge of Portland in win over Minnesota

NBA

Rick James scores 22 points; jamison contributes with 23

Portland's LaMarcus Aldridge drives by Minnesota's Al Jefferson in the first quarter of the Wizards 97-81 win over Bulls and scored 20 points apiece in the Portland win.

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**MLB**

*Marlins outfilder Ichiro Suzuki signs autographs before a spring training game against Colorado Tuesday in Tucson, Ariz. Suzuki has gone 0-23 at bat in spring training after having seven straight 200-hit seasons.*

Ichiro 0-21 at spring training

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**In Brief**

Landis to make final appeal for lost Tour de France title

**GENEVA —** Floyd Landis will make his final appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport in New York next week in an effort to regain the 2006 Tour de France title he lost because of a positive doping test.

The hearing that begins March 19 is expected to last six days. "It will be a hearing behind closed doors unlike the previous arbitration hearing," CAS secretary-general Matthieu Reeb told The Associated Press on Tuesday. Landis went to CAS, world sport's highest appeal body, after losing a public hearing by the American Arbitration Association last year. That panel upheld the results of a laboratory test that indicated Landis used synthetic testosterone during a comeback win in the 17th stage of the 2006 Tour.

Jarrett supports Stewart's claims against Goodyear

**CHARLOTTE, N.C. —** Dale Jarrett on Tuesday called on Goodyear to listen carefully to Tony Stewart's complaints about the tires the company has produced this season.

Although some drivers believe Stewart went overboard in his criticism of Goodyear following Sunday's race in Atlanta, Jarrett said the manufacturer needs to start constructing a better tire for Sprint Cup racing. "I have no problem with what Tony Stewart said. I'm a huge supporter of Goodyear and all that they've done over the years, but somebody needs to wake up right now and listen to these guys," said Jarrett, the former series champi-

**Moss accuser wants court order dismissed**

**MIAMI —** A woman who obtained a restraining order earlier this year in a domestic violence case against New England Patriots star Randy Moss wants the case dismissed, court records show.

Rachelle Washington, 35, filed papers March 3 with the Broward County Circuit Court clerk's office requesting that the order be dissolved and the case closed. The restraining order had required the All-Pro wide receiver to stay at least 500 feet from Washington.

Moss, 31, denied he harmed Washington as she claimed in her -Florida home on Jan. 6, or that he prevented her from seeking medical attention. Moss did acknowledge there was an "accident" involving Washington, but would not be more specific.
NBA

Alston crucial part of Rocket's win streak

Houston guard Rafer Alston drives to the basket against New Orleans on Saturday. The Rockets have won 19 straight games.

Associated Press

HOUSTON — At halftime of the Houston Rockets' game in Dallas last Thursday, Rafer Alston promised his team that he would shut down Jason Terry. The Mavericks' point guard didn't score again and the Rockets won 113-98.

Last Saturday, Alston scored 20 points, then faced off at midcourt with New Orleans big man Tyson Chandler after Houston beat the Hornets 106-96. Houston has won 19 consecutive games and not coincidentally, Alston is playing the best basketball of his career and growing more confident with each victory.

The 6-foot-2 point guard has averaged 15 points and seven assists and gone 45-for-115 from 3-point range (39 percent) during the victory streak, the third-longest in NBA history. Alston and the Rockets will go for their 20th straight win in Atlanta on Wednesday.

"I hope he doesn't turn it off," Tracy McGrady said. "I love the way he's playing. He's a real three-composer right now. He's knocking down the outside shot, he's penetrating. He's doing it all."

Alston has come a long way since the preseason, when he wasn't even sure the Rockets wanted to keep him. Houston drafted Aaron Brooks, then brought in Steve Francis and Mike James, creating a crowded competition. Alston accepted the challenge, quietly believing that he was the best match for coach Rick Adelman's offensive system.

"Even from the start, I knew it would be a good fit for me," Alston said. "I can be a playmaker at times, I can be a scorer at times. It made me more involved. I'm a weapon in it."

Early in the season, Alston split minutes with James and Francis as Adelman searched for the right man to run the offense. Francis eventually suffered a season-ending quadriceps injury, James was traded and Brooks was relegated to a reserve role, leaving the responsibility to Alston.

"Now, he's playing at a very high level, and that's what we need," Adelman said. "We need him to have a level like this."
John Daly dumped by coach for drunkeness

Wednesday, March 12, 2008

PGA TOUR

Championship Golf Tournament on Thursday in Palm Harbor, Fla.

Tampa Bay coach John Gruden caddies for John Daly at the PODS Championship Golf Tournament on Thursday in Palm Harbor, Fla.

John Daly has been cut loose by swing coach Butch Harmon, who said Tuesday he was not going to waste his time with a two-time major champion who is more interested in drinking than working on his golf game.

"My whole goal for him was he's got to show me golf is the most important thing in his life," Harmon said from his golf school in Las Vegas. "And the most important thing in his life is getting drunk."

Harmon said he has worked three times this year with Daly, but he said Daly's behavior at the PODS Championship was enough to end the short-lived relationship.

Daly, playing on a sponsor's exemption because he no longer has his full PGA Tour card, spent a 27-hour rain delay during the first round in a Hooters corporate tent behind the 17th green at Innisbrook. He was 3 over, and when play resumed, he had Tampa Bay Buccaneers coach Jon Gruden cad­­dies for him the rest of the day. Daly ended up with a 77.

He followed that with an 80 in the second round to miss the cut.

Daly spent Saturday at the Hooters "Owl's Nest" at the tourna­­ment, drinking beer, mingling with fans and signing autographs, including one on the back of a woman's pants.

"I've let him know that after his actions of last weekend, we are no longer together," Harmon said. "In all honesty, I'm a very busy person. I'm willing to help the kid, but until he helps himself and makes golf his No. 1 priority, I'm not his guy."

"Jon Gruden thought it was ridiculous. I thought he made a circus out of the whole event."

Daly, who is playing the Arnold Palmer Invitational on a sen­­ior's ex­­emption, could not be located for comment.

Harmon is regarded as among the best swing coaches in golf, working with Tiger Woods before he turned pro and overhauling Woods swing when the world's No. 1 player won four consecutive majors. He also worked with Greg Norman when he was No. 1, and his current clientele includes Phil Mickelson and Adam Scott.

Daly was the ninth alternate when he won the PGA Championship in 1991 at Crooked Stick, and he captured the British Open at St. Andrews four years later. His last victory came four years ago at the Buick Invitational, but his game has been in a tailspin ever since, and his personal life has been as rocky as ever.

He played last year primarily on sponsor exemptions and was plagued by a rib injury when he stopped swinging at the Honda Classic upon hearing the click of a fan's camera. Daly is contemplating a lawsuit against the tournament, which gave him an exemption.

In seven events this year, he has missed the cut three times and withdrew from the Bob Hope Classic, where he was spotted at several after-hour parties. His best finish was a tie for 60th in Mexico, an opposite-field event.

Harmon said they have worked three times this year.

"He would work hard and get better, but when things don't go right, it's back to the alcohol stuff," Harmon said. "I love this kid. He's a tremendous talent. But if he's not going to give 100 percent effort, it's a waste of my time."

But it was his behavior at Innisbrook that set off Harmon.

"You don't see guys who are any good doing that," he said.

"All the guys I work with are working their (tails) off. John didn't have it. I like the kid, but he's got to get his head on straight. The partying and other shenanigans, if that's the way he wants to be, I don't choose to be a part of it."
Defending champion Perez heads to finals

Bennett takes down senior captain O'Brien

By MATT GAMBER and SAM WERNER
Sports Writers

149 lb.
Kris Perez def. Matt Poslusny
Perez, a junior, took advantage of a strong second round and cruised to a victory by unanimous decision over Poslusny, also a junior.

After a quiet first round that saw neither fighter take a clear advantage, Perez took control in the second, getting in several good body shots against the taller fighter.

"I had to fake hook up and just exploit the bottom," Perez said. "That's where I had more surface to hit." Perez didn't strain himself in the final round, and comfortably moved on to the finals, where he will face senior Lawrence.

"He's bigger and stronger and I'm slicker and quicker," Perez said of his upcoming bout. "Styles make fighters and it's going to be a good one."

155-pound
Alex Gonzalez def. Ryan Frost
Gonzalez had waited long enough to throw his first punch — thanks to a first-round bye and a second-round scheduled opponent who was unable to fight due to concussion, this semifinal bout was Gonzalez's first of the year.

"Speedy" Gonzalez honored his nickname, barreling into Frost just as the opening bell sounded.

"I had a lot of frustration because of that, a lot of jitters because I hadn't fought yet, but other than that, it was just like any other fight," Frost said. "Getting rid of the jitters and listening to my corner [were definitely the biggest keys]. Whenever they told me to throw a combo, I'd do it, and it worked out."

Gonzalez maintained his early momentum throughout, avoiding any major blows and handing several of his own en route to the victory by unanimous decision.

Mark Bennett def. Pat O'Brien
Bennett, a senior, came out swinging and held on to defeat O'Brien, a senior captain, by split decision.

O'Brien seemed to be caught off guard when Bennett came out energetically with a frenzy of jabs. O'Brien seemed to regain his composure by the end, but the first round ended with neither clearly in the lead.

"[Bennett] came out there with a lot of intensity," O'Brien said. "It was a tough fight."

In the second round, the fighters traded jabs, with Bennett landing a few good hooks and what appeared to be a slight lead after two rounds.

O'Brien came back in the final round, landing a solid right hook, but was knocked down when he appeared to trip after getting hit by Bennett.

After the fight, Bennett said that his style matched up well with O'Brien's.

"I knew that Pat was going to be really aggressive and that's kind of my style as well," Bennett said. "I knew that I was in real good shape and I was ready to go to battle with him."

157-pound
Jim Devereau def. Jesse Brawner
After a rough first round and-a-half that culminated in Devereau getting the upper hand, Brawner knocked out of him and having to retreat to the corner, completely hunched over, only one thing was running through his head.

"Uh, try to get in the ring again," Devereau said with a laugh following his victory by unanimous decision. "He took the wind out of me pretty good there."

The bout saw a senior captain fall for the second straight fight, as Brawner controlled the fight's first half and looked to have set himself up for an easy victory by the middle of the second round, when the fight was briefly stopped as Devereau caught his breath.

From there, though, it was all Devereau, as he landed a bevy of strong jabs and uppercuts that got the crowd more involved than in any fight before it.

After battling back to a near deadlock through two rounds, Devereau left no doubt in the third, as Brawner slowed down considerably in the fight's final 30 seconds. Brawner, who began the fight with a corner of lightning-quick jabs, couldn't muster much of an attack against the lefty.

"I think the righties have it a little tougher because they don't get to see the lefties in practice as much," Devereau said. "Lefties are always seeing righties in practice, so we're used to it."

Jordan Bucci def. Nathan Rothenberger
Bucci, a sophomore from Alumni, held off a late rally from Rothenberger, a sophomore from Keough, to win by unanimous decision.

Both fighters came out strong, trading a flurry of jabs, and the first round ended with no clear leader.

In the second, Bucci landed some good hooks on Rothenberger and appeared to take a slight lead.

Rothenberger came back strong in the third round, even managing to get Bucci against the ropes and land several hooks. Bucci countered well though, and did just enough to take the fight.

"I didn't know I won until they called my shorts," Bucci said. "I thought it was a close fight."

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Based on one of the most critically acclaimed novels in recent memory, THE KITE RUNNER is a profoundly emotional tale of friendship, family, devastating mistakes, and redeeming love.

In a divided country on the verge of war, two childhood friends, Amir and Hassan, are about to be torn apart forever. It’s a glorious afternoon in Kabul, and the skies are bursting with the exhilarating joy of a kite-fighting tournament. But in the aftermath of the day’s victory, one boy’s fearful act of betrayal will mark their lives forever and set in motion an epic quest for redemption. Now, after 20 years of living in America, Amir returns to a perilous Afghanistan under the Taliban’s iron-fisted rule to face the secrets that still haunt him and take one last daring chance to set things right.

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BENGAL BOUTS
Hopke rallies from behind to win southpaw battle

By MATT GAMBER and ANDY ZICCARDI
Sports Writers

161-pound
Matt Hopke def. Nick Ponzio
Hopke tripped and hit the can-
pund to the floor, and then allowed
the lanky left-hander-struck back, go-
ning on the attack and forcing Ponzio
to retreat, allowing Hopke to take
advantage of his opponent.

BothHopke showed his bright advan-
tage effectively, often following a
soft right jab with a big left hook to win split decisions.

"I knew that since I was going against a shorter guy I'd need to keep him outside, because I knew he was going to work the body," Hopke said. "I practiced for him against my roommate who's 5-foot-6 and in my weight class, so I put a couple sessions in with him and all he does is go to the box, so I was prepared against the same thing from Nick.

Dan Rodgers def. Jason Miller
Both Rodgers and Miller were aggres-
sive and high and low, both fighters
threw, and landed, a significant
amount of punches in the rounds.

The second round was similarly fast and furious, both fighters tak-
ing turns being on the offensive and on the defensive.

Both fighters showed an amazing drive and ability that amazed the
fan base on the sidelines. In the third round, which was
more sluggish than the first two, Rodgers and Miller
landed and traded more punches.

In an unanimous decision and will move onto the finals.

166-pound
Charlie Gough def. Bryan Grissinger
Gough showed prowess with both his left and right hands dur-
ing an impressive victory by unan-
imous decision victory. Like the
typically?. Lough has been known to
be quick, but out of nowhere it looked
like his technique was going to
make things hard for Grissinger.

"I like to switch it up, both left and right, which makes it hard for
my opponent," Gough said. "Not a lot of guys in the bouts go to the
body much, so it's nice to keep Grissinger at bay.

Gough landed a few early uppercuts and uppercuts that looked like
he was ready to pull out his toolbox on Grissinger. But Grissinger
didn't show any signs of
stumbling back or growing tired in the first round.

Grissinger continued to attack, but Gough's punches continued to
overpower him in the second, giv-
ing Grissinger a hard time. Grissinger
showed some signs of wear and tear in the third.

Joseph Meares def. Scott Whalen
In a matchup of fighters of differ-
sing sizes, Meares was able to
overcome his lack of reach and power
his way into the finals with a victory in a split decision. The key for
Meares was being able to land his power shots.

"I was just trying to land my power because he is taller than I am," he said.

Meares attempted to use his reach and power to finish the fight, but
Whalen was able to slip inside those jabs just enough to pull land his big right hook.

157-pound
Ben O'Brien def. Mike Cinino
Cinino, ruled out because of a
concession, forfeited the match, allowing O'Brien the chance to advance to the
title bout by walkover.

Bernardo Garcia def. Matt Gough
Both Garcia and Gough had their
turns on the offensive in their fight, but it was Garcia who came out with the
better of it. Garcia and Gough both
landed some hard punches to
in the first round.

"It was my right hand (that
made the difference)," Garcia said.
"He was dropping his guard every
time he threw, so when he threw,
I'd get him.

Gough took the lead in after
a very fast first second round.

He opened with numerous strong
right hooks, never allowing Garcia
to establish himself in the second. How-
ever, after regrouping, Garcia
was able to come back up with a game
plan that would give him the edge.
 Hudson said.

"I was able to land his big right
and land his big right.

The final round was stopped
for a foul by Fuchs bloody face,
but that was the only thing that
showed him down in the final
minutes. The freshman was able to
land consecutive haymakers that
brought much of the crowd to its
feet and left Rubinkowski stamp-
ning his own.

Still, Rubinkowski's early
vantage proved to be just
enough.

Alex Lough def. Thomas Haan
In an abbreviated fight, Lough
defeated Haan in a one-punch
stoppage in the first round. The
referee halted the match after Lough
dropped Haan with a hard right
hook to the jaw.

"I don't really know what I did
to end the fight so quick," said Lough.

When asked about his strategy
for a final match-up with Leo
Lee, a fellow surfer, Lough said,
"I was trying to focus on the funda-
mental things and keep him away,
so it's just more accurate
punches instead of wild
punches.

Lee was aggressive yet patient
and quick but under control, using
his left hooks to send
John Jackson onto the ropes, where
Lee was able to quickly and
defensively apply pressure.

To be continued.

The third was a different story,
though, as Tchoula, who
dominated the third to earn himself a split
decision, a decision that
was fitting for how the close match was
dominated by an impressive
guy for a fighter his size,
something that he said made the
difference.

"He definitely hit me harder, and
I definitely hit him more often," Burns said.

The match was back and forth for
all three rounds and was very
physical. Both boxers fought
close to one another and landed a
significant amount of punches,
especially left and right body
hooks. Strength was a key factor.

"I was pushing him around
the ring, which probably gave me
couple extra points on the
scorecard," Burns said.

Bengal Bouts

Pat Burns def. Tony Klausing
Burns prevailed in this battle of
Koenan Hall sororophors.
Burns was named the winner in a
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Kevin Crepeau def. Pat McInerney
Those that stuck around for
the final fight of the night were treated
to one that had the look of a
lightweight world title match,
derived in a very exciting, hard
fight. Both fighters showed impressive
agility and movement throughout
the entire fight. After an ever-
breaking early first round,
Crepeau landed a hard left hook
that led to a technical stoppage.
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The Department of Art, Art History and Design is pleased to announce its annual competition for the Byrne Prize in Art History and Criticism. Current Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students are invited to submit essays on any topic in the history of art or art criticism for consideration in the competition. Essays must deal with the visual arts. They may have been written in conjunction with a course taken at the University, but need not have been.

Rules governing the competition are available in the University, but need not have been.

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coaches fritter away talent because they can’t bring them together. Instead, they rely on their individual athleticism, hoping somebody will make a play at a crucial time. But on a true team, like Notre Dame, anybody can make that big play, and no one person carries too much of the load.

Team building is an underrated art, but Brey and the Irish have found the right groove. Part of that has to do with Brey’s recruiting. At Notre Dame, he’s probably not going to attract the Michael Beasley or the Kevin Durant type of recruit, but he does get solid, smart players who just need time to develop. While they develop as freshmen and sophomores, they develop a rapport together. Teams with one-and-done freshmen don’t have as much time to develop that teamwork.

Brey made another pivotal move, or should I say non-move, before the season began. After watching his team practice, he realized they didn’t really need a set offense and so he didn’t implement one. To be sure, there are basic principles to Notre Dame’s offense—all screens to start a possession, getting the ball to Harangody at least once every possession—but otherwise the players run the show. Thanks to the chemistry these players developed over the past few years, they’re comfortable playing together and don’t need a set offense cramping their style.

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both categories with 23.3 points and 11.3 rebounds per game.

"This is huge for our program," said Brey of Harangody's award in a phone interview Tuesday. "It's the culmination of a great story not only in our league but in all of college basketball for him and how far he's come. And then throughout it all is that he's such a good teamate as all these awards have been coming in."

Harangody's wrecking-ball style of play all season fit right in with the physical nature of the Big East and allowed him to take on taller big men like Louisville's David Padgett, Connecticut's Hasheem Thabeet and Georgetown's Roy Thabeet and Georgetown's Roy

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**Bouts**

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few jab-hook combos that caused Powers to stagger backward early in the third round, but Powers was able to keep his hands up and block the devastating punch Guagliardi needed to land to overcome Powers' early lead.

Chris Hartstein def. John Biddle

In a fight that saw more wrap-ups than big punches landed, Hartstein defeated Biddle by unanimous decision.

Hartstein, the shorter fighter, came out more aggressively than Biddle, getting him against the ropes a few times in the first round.

"It's hard when a guys taller, you've got to get inside," Hartstein said. "I just dropped low and tried to come upstairs and go the distance. He was a tough fighter."

After an uneventful second round, Hartstein managed to back Biddle into a corner in the final round. By the end, both fighters were visibly exhausted, exchanging punches for only a few seconds before wrapping each other up again.

146-pound

Mark Costanzo def. Mark Weber

Costanzo did most of his damage in the latter half of the first two rounds before dominating the final round. Costanzo displayed some of the taller defenders away from the basket and take them off the dribble.

Harangody becomes the last Irish player to capture the top conference honor since Troy Murphy won the award for his 2000-01 campaign.

Brey became just the third Big East coach to capture coach of the year in consecutive years.

Brey credited his success this season in part to the help he has around him.

"I think as I said last year, you look at guys that won this award in the past, and they all had great senior leadership," Brey said. "Last year I had two seniors [Russell Carter and Colin Fallowed] and this year I've got Rob Kurz and I've got a great coaching staff. It's flattering but I've got a great group to work with on a daily basis."

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The Observer apologizes for the absence of The Single Life.

Horoscope

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DANIEL MACINTOSH, 38; DONOVAN LEWIS, 35

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Avoid letting emotional issues take up too much priority. Concentrate on your personal, professional or educational advancements. Your contributions will lead you to new experiences in the future. You can build solid bases from which to launch future endeavors. Your numbers today are 3, 15, 28, 32, 43.

KAREN WILSON (March 15-April 19): Much can be accomplished if you take the time to do some part-time opportunities for making extra cash. A professional move can be made if you align yourself with the current situation. Avoid anger—it's a waste of time. 3 stars

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Concentrate on doing things in your own. Disparage no one, especially yourself. You may get your sequence of events in order today. Stability and common sense will win in the end. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Set up a meeting or talk to someone who has experienced an issue in an area you want to know more about. Consult a practitioner with experience in similar careers or goals. Make some changes and do what is required of you. 4 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will get unexpected help when you need it. If you live up to the expectations that others have for you, you will bring others for you even greater opportunities, and the new one looks up to 2 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You're in the right place at the right time. Travel, movies or parties are good opportunities for getting to know new people who can entice you to explore your own personal, professional or educational advancement. Your contributions will lead you to new experiences in the future. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It may be difficult to deal with personal matters today. Your time is better spent with financial matters. An investment can change your status and is expected to bring money to you from an external source. Your numbers are 9, 15; 21, 28, 32, 47

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You are tough, determined and adaptable. You are changing and whatever you want to do, you can get what you want. You can build a solid base from which to launch your future. You will have a solid base from which to launch your future. 3 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): One of the financial threads will change your financial fortunes. Take on a new project, with value in your house. Your real estate or change of environment will give you time. There is a deal to be made that will help you get ahead. 5 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can get what you want if you live up to the expectations that others have for you, you will bring others for you even greater opportunities, and the new one looks up to 2 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Do what you can to help others without doing everything for them. High energy coupled with know-how and jujitsu will put you in a good position when it comes to partnerships, professional endeavors and your home environment. 3 stars

BIRTHDAY BABY: You are tough, determined and adaptable. You are changing and entertaining with a strong intuition and relentless willpower.
**MEN’S BASKETBALL**

**Bringing home the hardware**

**Harangody takes Big East Player of the Year**

By CHRIS HINE
Sports Writer

At the beginning of the season, Notre Dame fans expected to see senior power forward Luke Harangody selected as the Big East Player of the Year, but this is not to happen. The senior was named Big East Player of the Year by Big East coaches after averaging 16.8 points and 11.2 rebounds per game, the best of any player in the conference. Harangody, who averaged 13.0 points and 7.4 rebounds per game last season, is the first Irish player to win the award. O'Brien did not get up for this.

"It's kind of crazy," Harangody said in a phone interview Tuesday. "I've come this far and to get in a league like this is pretty crazy.

After averaging 11.2 points per game last season, Harangody led the Big East with 21 points per game and was second in rebounding at 10.3 rebounds per game. He was even better in conference games, leading the Big East in both categories.

**BENGAL BOUTS**

**Boxers head to finals Friday**

**Favorite Izaguirre battles through a bloody nose to overcome O’Brien**

By MATT GAMBER and SAM WERNER
Sports Writers

**130-pound**

Chris Izaguirre def. Patrick O'Brien

Not even a badly bloodied nose could slow down Izaguirre, a man on a mission after losing by split decision in last year's title bout, on route to his victory by unanimous decision in the night's first fight.

"It's been a lot of hard work, but this is really a dream — one of the highlights of my Notre Dame career, aside from graduating of course," Izaguirre said. "Last year's loss really lit the fire under me for this year, and I'm looking forward to hopefully taking home." O'Brien's edge in height turned out to be a disadvantage, as the smaller, quicker Izaguirre put the freshman on the defensive early. O'Brien battled back in the second, though, and the fight was briefly stopped because of Izaguirre's bloody nose.

The senior took his fair share of jabs, but he was able to land a number of hooks in the latter part of each round that proved to be the difference.

**Senior captain Lawrence Sullivan looks to land a left hook against Paul Mower in Sullivan's semi-final victory Tuesday.**

Matthew Conti def. Andrew Mok

"The Steel Curtain" Conti came down hard on Mok, with Conti winning by unanimous decision.

In the first round, Conti managed to knock Mok to the mat twice, and he stayed on the offensive for the entire round. Mok attempted to evade his opponent, but Conti chased the fellow freshman around the ring, keeping Mok on the defensive for all three rounds.

In the final round, Mok made a few attempts at a comeback, but any move made was countered by a series of blows from Conti, who continued to dominate the fight.

**Women's Tennis**

**Irish set to face Illini after 3-game road trip**

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After a three-match road trip in which No. 23 Notre Dame went 1-2 over spring break, the Irish return home to face No. 61 Illinois.

In the first two matches last week, the Irish dropped consecutive decisions to North Carolina and No. 2 Georgia Tech before handing Illinois a score of 7-0.

The contest against the Rainbow Wahine marked the first time Notre Dame played outdoors all season and the Irish were in top form, never dropping a set in the entire match.

As the new ITA Women's Tennis rankings were released, the prolific doubles pair of senior Brook Buck and junior Kelsey Tefft received the honor of becoming only the second Irish doubles tandem to be ranked No. 1 nationally since Christian and Carina Thompson achieved the feat in 2006.

Heading into the match against Illinois, the pair is riding a seven-game winning streak, helped propel the Irish to win the doubles point for six straight matches during the span from Feb. 9-22. Not coincidentally, the Irish record during those six matches was 4-2, showing the value the tag team has had throughout the season.

Irish head coach Jay Louderback knows that the duo's work ethic and all-around game has launched them into national spotlight.

"They're very solid all around," Louderback said. "They can both serve and volley really well. They have a lot of variety to their game. If they need to volley more, they still will if not, they can stay back. They can hit their ground strokes. They can do it all."

Louderback is also well aware that a certain amount of responsibility comes with starting off a match from the top spot.

"Another thing is that when you're playing from the No. 1 spot, you're always going to face some solid competition and play with a lot of confidence," Louderback said. "One thing they can do is play well through tight sets and create a distance between their opponents. They can play exceptionally well at the adversity that they face."

As expected, the top-ranked tandem sought to control the entire match, relieving some of the pressure off of the other doubles teams of No. 2 sophomore Kali Kricsek and freshman Kristen Rafael and the No. 3 group of sophomores Cami Dabu and Colleen Bledsoe.

"Whoever played was not someone who was on the floor every night. Instead, the answer was on the sidelines, in his trademark mock-turtleneck garb, quietly going about his business bringing together a young basketball team, not just a bunch of talented athletes who have no chemistry and no concept of team basketball."

All too often in basketball,