Homosexual alumni struggle with acceptance

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Gay and Catholic Part 1 of 4

Editor's Note: This is the first installment of a four-part series taking a look at the dilemma of being gay and Catholic.

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However, in the 20 years since the first gay alumni group was formed by graduates, recognition has been just as hard to come by for homosexual alumni organizations as it has been for Gay and Lesbians of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College (GLNDSMC).

Many gay alumni feel cut off from Notre Dame, said Colbert (73), who is co-chair of the Gay and Lesbian Alumni of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College (GALA-ND/SMC).

"I feel alienated from and unwelcome at our alma mater — unless, of course, we remain in the closet."

GALA-NDSMC is the latest in a line of homosexual alumni groups. Formed in 1993 by four alumni, including Colbert, its membership list has grown to 45 members in about five new names added each week. A mission statement includes promoting solidarity and friendship among lesbian, gay, bisexual graduates, faculty and staff, sponsoring activities such as a gay and lesbian basketball team, creating awareness of the equal rights movement, and improving communication with school officials, according to the organization's by-laws.

While the first two goals have been easily accomplished — with such activities as a barbeque with Boston College's gay group, Lambda Association, prior to last fall's Boston College-Notre Dame football game — improving relations with the administration has been difficult.

"It's a shock when they find out there are gay people who are good citizens and love foot-

ball and are faithful Catholics," he continued.

Colbert first realized he was gay during his undergraduate years and did not go public until his junior year. According to him, the experience was very painful.

"It was really awful and scary," he said. "I never knew who I could trust."

The underground gay group at the time, Gay Students at Notre Dame (GSND), was very supportive, Colbert said.

"However, the group was comprised mostly of graduate students," he said. "Being an undergrad, I didn't feel as connected with the graduate stu-
dents."

Two decades later, gay and lesbian organizations are facing the same problems.

The alumni, fund-raising, and public relations — not the Church — stop the University from passing a non-discrimina-
tion policy that includes sexual orientation, according to Colbert.

"The school is selling out to the ideologically rigid," he said. "Homosexual alumni cite the administration's fear of the "gay lifestyle" — whereby gays supposedly commit immoral acts while living together — as the reason the University has continued to bow to perceived outside pressures. However, the so-called gay lifestyle is only a myth," Colbert said.

"There is no such thing as a gay lifestyle," he said. "By go-
ing to Notre Dame, we've been instilled with the same values as other members of the Notre Dame community. We're qualified to be on the public scene because we have those values."

"GALA-NDSMC is not about promoting an immoral lifestyle. It's a support group," Colbert continued. "The school does not see homosexual youths as people. They need to drop the gay lifestyle perception."

Colbert and GALA-NDSMC have called for the administra-
tion to enter into a dialogue to confront their differences. They hope to talk with the Notre Dame Alumni Association during a reunion scheduled for early this summer. Miss-

ion was not consistent with Church teaching, a requirement for all organiza-
tions recognized by Student Affairs. But Colbert also noted in the letter that "I believe that I... presumed too

much about the adequacy of our efforts in prior years... It is Student Affairs' responsibility to develop meaningful alternatives beyond the services offered to individual stu-
dents.

In order to "do a better job of meeting the needs of our gay and les-
bain students," O'Hara's letter announced the formation of an ad hoc committee composed of two re-
tors; two senior members of both the
My fate and Patty O’Hara

With some of the recent actions that the university has taken regarding the rights of its students and its own rights in controlling campus life has forced its students to have begun to question the decisions and the responsibilities of this institution that serves as our new “home.”

Coming to Notre Dame involves more than just choosing a school for your academic opportunities. Since everyone during their freshmen year is required to live on campus, it involves choosing an entirely new lifestyle. Thus, for your first year, you are completely immersed in the society that is Notre Dame—academics, politics, “family,” etc.

Perhaps the most intimate and, thus, influential aspect of this setting is the person (or people) that the university has assigned to sharing your new “home” with you—your roommate.

I remember the instant four upon meeting that we would each be spending a year in close contact with someone with whom we seemingly had nothing in common but a room, the first few weeks of familiarity as we tried to abandon the idea of territory within the process of discovering the quirks of our different personalities.

I also remember that seeming eternity when you have yet to establish anything resembling a friendship so that you cling to the security of your automatic dining-hall partner/party companion, your roommate. After getting past these initial stages of our roommateship, my roommate became accustomed to all of the bizarre aspects of my personality even realizing that she was living with me.

She has gone out of her way to make me a part of her life by asking for my company when probably she would have rather been alone or with other friends. By setting aside time for us to spend together as friends who each have busy lives.

As a result, we have stayed together for our sophomore year, and, though this year has been one of the most challenging of your own academic years—far longer than we ever could have imagined. Our roommateship has become a true friendship, bringing much solace to us both.

15-year-old held in slaying of parents

NEWNAN, Ga. A 15-year-old boy who shot his parents to death as they watched television apparently was upset they had given him a curfew, police said today. “Their investigation shows that this was an act of despair, spur-of-the-moment thing. This had been thought out,” Coweta County Sheriff Mike Yeager said at a news conference.

Jason Lewis, a student at East Coweta High School, was held on murder charges in the slayings of James and Elizabeth Lewis. He will be arraigned on Monday, Yeager said. The parents, both factory workers, were shot several times brighter than it was before it burst. Nova lines separate high temperature zones for the day.

The Muslim holy month of Ramadan was barely over Monday when the government abandoned a U.N.-sponsored cease-fire and launched a major assault against a rival Islamic faction in southwestern Kabul.

There was no immediate word on casualties, although many civilians live in the area.

The attack was seen as an attempt by President Burhanuddin Rabbani’s government to gain control of the entire capital and strengthen its position ahead of a U.N.-sponsored peace plan.

Many had feared renewed fighting in Kabul after the weekend holiday of Eid al- Fitr, which marks the end of month of Ramadan when Muslims fast from sunrise to sunset.

“It’s not a big surprise. Everyone was expecting there would be more fighting,” said David Lack, a researcher for the Afghanistan Development Program representative in Pakistan.

Jets bombed neighborhoods controlled by Hezb-e-Wahdat, a Shiite Muslim opposition group, and were followed by rocket, artillery and heavy machine gun fire that echoed through out Kabul.

“We launched an offensive ... from three directions this morning,” said government spokesman, Dr. Abdullah, who uses only one name. “We have not met any considerable resistance and our troops are still moving forward. Fighting still continues.”

Streets near the front-line were virtually deserted Monday as the government barrage intensified. Kabul had been relatively calm in recent weeks since a U.N. cease fire mission announced an informal cease-fire last month.

The U.N. peace plan, which already has been delayed a month, calls for President Rabbani to hand over power to a multiparty governing council March 27.

The U.N.-devised council is seen as the best hope for ending the three years of civil war that erupted after the Islamic factions ousted the Soviet-backed communist government in 1992.

More than 20,000 people have been killed and huge tracts of the once lively capital have been destroyed in the civil war.

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Telescopes aimed at exploded star

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. Endeavour’s astronauts aimed powerful ultraviolet telescopes Monday at a newly exploded star that is thousands of times brighter than it was before it burst. Nova Aquilae erupted in a thermonuclear explosion a month ago. Before reaching this boiling point, the white dwarf star had been tugging material from its larger companion star and built up a layer of hot gas that eventually blew up and burst into space. Scientists believe a new buildup of gas will start soon and that another outburst will occur thousands of years from now. “Even though you just see a pinpoint of light, we can begin to interpret it in terms of drawing a three-dimensional picture of this event,” said Arthur Code, an astronomer at the University of Wisconsin at Madison who’s in charge of one of the shuttle telescopes. Nova Aquilae is in the constellation Aquila, or Eagle, and is several thousand light years away. Another nova erupted in late January and yet another one was a month ago. Both of these also will be viewed by the telescopes.

House debates restricting lawsuits

WASHINGTON The woman who was awarded $2.7 million after spilling McDonald’s coffee in her lap is invoked as a symbol by both sides in the high-stakes battle over protecting businesses against consumer lawsuits. This week, Republicans hope the House will take a big step toward giving businesses the legal protection they have coveted for years. Votes are expected on proposals to make it harder for people to win punitive damages in lawsuits over harmful products, such as Envision, and yet another on securities fraud. The Clinton administration today came out against the legislation as currently drafted. In a letter to House Speaker Newt Gingrich, Attorney General Janet Reno and White House Counsel Ahner Mika called the legislation “a balanced approach,” and “a much needed reform.” They said it would “limit the legal playing field dramatically to the disadvantage of consumers and middle-class citizens.”

The woman, Greens, Gingrich said today the GOP has no intention of trying to block legitimate lawsuits.

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bians, Colbert does not see a desire to enter into a loving relationship. "Human sexuality is certainly a legitimate issue for morality," he said. "But I would expect that gay and lesbian students, the new student body president and vice president. All in all, the committee would be composed of seven University staff members, two faculty members and four students. The purpose of the group would be to explore the issue and advise O'Hara. In addition, the committee has been charged with answering three questions: How the University can create a setting for a support group for gay students within the purview of Catholic Church doctrine. • The types of programs that would help Student Affairs staff, including RA's and rectors, to better equip them to meet the needs of (Notre Dame's) gay and lesbian students, and • What other measures can be taken to end harassment of homosexual students. O'Hara also revealed a project by Campus Ministry to create a group setting for gay and lesbian students. "Respectful of Church teaching," the project was initiated last September and approved by both Student Affairs and the "Officer's Group," the senior officers of the CLC meeting yesterday was chosen were members of the GLND/SMC, but GLND/SMC would not be used directly to find the representatives. CLC members Father Patrick Sullivan and Ava Colliers said that O'Hara should clarify how the student appointments were to be made. Sullivan said that a graduate student should be considered in light of an accreditation report that cites Notre Dame for a lack of out-of-stocks. He also remarked that "the credibility of the administration is riding with this committee." GLND/SMC co-chair John Martan said he was troubled by the fact that all appointments were made by O'Hara, including the student representatives.

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Russians escalate action against rebels

By CHRIS BIRD 

SAMASHKY, Russia Russian forces pushed ahead with an offensive yesterday in Chechnya today, hitting the rebel stronghold of Achkhoy Martan with rockets and artillery. Cars, buses and trucks full of refugees fled Achkhoy Martan and the neighboring village of Samashky, 20 miles west of the bombarded out capital of Grozny.

On Sunday, the Russian military command said it captured a key section of road nearby. Refugees apparently offered no resistance when the Russians took up their new position, less than a mile south of a rebel one on the Rostov-Baku highway that runs across the separatist land. The road that fell was the only safe link between Samashky and Achkhoy Martan, and the new Russian conquest cut off Samashky from other rebel-held areas.

A multiple GRAD rocket launcher unleashed a volley near a Russian military post about 1 mile west of Samashky. "The pounding Achkhoy Martan," said a Russian colonel with Interior Ministry forces, who declined to be identified. A low roll of explosions sounded a few seconds later as the air raid siren blared in the village. Four helicopter gunships floated above the trees, providing air support for the Russian artillery and rocket batteries.

In Samashky, Chechen fighters tried to calm a rowdy, impromptu meeting of women and elders who were upset by the news. Many feared the Russians will soon turn their high explosives on them, some at the meeting urged fight. "They (Russians) want to create the village without a fight," said the worried commander of Chechen forces in the village, 35-year-old Akhmed Islamov. "We'll never surrender."

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to the women's shelter, a toiletry and clothing drive, and an AIDS fundraiser. They also propose a class shopping trip to Chicago, a class T-shirt, outdoor class masses, and reconciliation services during Advent and Lent. Cassie Searl/ Karri Carter/ Kim Pohlam/ Kim Holston proposed several events for students abroad, increased relations through brochures, a fall festival and a 50/50 raffle to benefit the Breast Cancer Association, and weekly rosary prayers during Lent. The Sears ticket also suggests a class road trip to Cedar Point or Great America amusement parks, a sesquicentennial time capsule, and a junior class picture.

The ticket comprised of Heather Steinmill/ Collene Duffy/ Melissa Roberts/ Kelly Cook includes a class toboggan trip, a class bonfire and a junior class week to promote class unity on their list of platform ideas. Other ideas include spiritual discussion, both motivational speakers and graduate school representatives and open and advertised board meetings.

Kate Trumper with running mates Kathleen Michael/ Mary Gallagher/ Becky Ollis propose guest speakers on professors as well as class work shops and lectures for the class of 1997. They also suggest the promotion of ethnic awareness, classes, study breaks, mixers with the Notre Dame community, intramural activities between majors, stress reduction sessions, and a class walk-a-thon as a fundraiser. Volunteering at soup kitchens, working with women and children at shelters and tutoring are other ideas mentioned in the Trumper ticket platform.

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Homes buried in California slide

By JEFF WILSON

LA CONCHITA, Calif. — Officials said that didn’t change dentists of this beachside community had already buried nine homes, ready to sound alarms if the rock and earth began to move again.

Some 200 of the 700 residents of this beachside community had been evacuated.

Rain eased this morning, but officials said that didn’t change the threat.

“We’re still anticipating a major slide,” said Ventura County sheriff’s spokeswoman June Sorey.

Two hundred of the town’s 700 residents were either evacuated or lost their homes when a wall of mud oozed into the streamside homes and reaching windshield-high on parked cars.

About 200 people were advised to leave their homes, said Fire Department spokesman Gary Zimmerman. He said there was no word how many people actually left the scenic area south of Flagstaff.

The storm also dumped up to 19 inches of snow in the Colorado mountains, closing schools and mountain passes, and Silverton was cut off from the outside world for the second time in a week by heavy snow and avalanches.

On Sunday, 2 1/2 inches of rain filled a crater that the La Conchita landslide had created, threatening to push even more soil into the town about 25 miles northwest of Los Angeles.

Sheriff Gary Carpenter said emergency workers would try to sound sirens in case of a sudden collapse, but he told residents not to wait for a signal. “If you hear the earth moving or a roar, get out. Run.”

Geologists said the steep slopes bordering the community have been slipping for 23,000 years.

The way things are shaping up, it almost looks like what we had in January,” he said. During January’s storms, the worst in nearly a decade, floods carried off several people, mudslides covered parts of the Pacific Coast Highway and a rock slide killed two tourists.

As the storm moved eastward, overnight downpours in northern Arizona caused a flash flood this morning along Oak Creek flowing through Sedona, pushing water into streamside homes and reaching windshield-high on parked cars.

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United Way head on trial for fraud, theft

By ANNE GEARAN

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The former head of the United Way spent hundreds of thousands of the charity’s dollars on his own lavish lifestyle and young girlfriends, federal prosecutors said Monday.

William Aramony and two former United Way of America associates stole more than $1 million to pay for chauffeur-driven shopping sprees and an elegant New York City apartment for Aramony’s 17-year-old girlfriend, Assistant U.S. Attorney Randy Bellows said at the start of Aramony’s fraud trial.

“The simple truth of this case is how these three men at the pinnacle of their professions abused their positions of trust in order to enrich themselves,” Bellows said.

Aramony, 67, has pleaded innocent to a September indictment charging him with 53 felony counts of fraud, conspiracy and money laundering. He faces up to about six years in prison if convicted.

He served 22 years as president of the organization that oversees about 2,800 United Way chapters nationwide.

Lawyer William Moffitt told the jury Aramony was a brilliant money-raiser who dedicated his life to the United Way. In his final years, the charity raised about $3.5 billion, Moffitt said.

The charity’s board of directors — including some of the heads of the country’s largest corporations — approved many of Aramony’s spending practices, but turned on him after the media detailed the expenditures in 1992, Moffitt said.

“Then a blissful ignorance of what was going on at the United Way descended from the organizational corporate mists,” Moffitt said.

Moffitt conceded Aramony was a womanizer. He was separated from his wife when he began dating other women, and they later divorced.

But the relationship Aramony began with Lori Villaros in the 1980s, when she was 17, was not the sordid affair the government portrayed, he said.

She continued seeing him after his health deteriorated and after he underwent castration surgery because of cancer.

Moffitt said his declining health affected his memory, numerical skills and judgment; Moffitt said, noting that in 1986, a neurologist discovered that the frontal lobe of Aramony’s brain was shrinking.

Standing trial with Aramony are former United Way aides Thomas J. Merlo, 64, and Stephen J. Pauluscheck, 69. They are accused of helping him divert money from the charity to private bank accounts and to a spinoff company that prosecutors call a slush fund.

SADD & Office of Alcohol & Drug encourage you to play it safe during Spring Break this year. Whatever your plans are, make sure they include these tips.

• Remember you don’t have to be “drunk” to be impaired— even one or two drinks affect your driving skills.

• Stay out of dangerous situations involving alcohol, whether in a car, a bar, or a bedroom.

• Drinking, drugs and driving don’t mix.

• Take your turn being a designated driver— get everyone where they are going safely.

• Respect other people’s right, and your own— to choose not to drink.

• Respect state laws and campus policies.

• Wear your seat belt — it’s your best protection against an impaired driver.

• If one of your friends drinks to the point of passing out, alcohol poisoning is a real danger. If you are the least bit concerned, please seek medical attention. Better safe than Sorry!

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ACORN demonstrators prevent Gingrich speech

By JOHN DIAMOND

WASHINGTON

A ballroom full of county officials was awaiting Newt Gingrich's arrival Monday when the kitchen doors burst open to reveal not dessert but about 200 protesters waving empty lunch trays and chanting, "No more cuts!"

The demonstrators, many carrying small children, dodged waiters as they took over the head table and jammed the aisles, protesting reductions in the school lunch program. In doing so, they prompted cancellation of the House speaker's speech.

"Don't take the food out of the children's mouths," said Maxine Nelson of Pine Bluff, Ark., who, like the others, belongs to the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, or ACORN.

Faced with the raucous protest, Gingrich, a former superteacher, ordered county officials, shouting through bullhorns that the cost of school meals probably would finance a week of school lunches.

Although Gingrich was the protest's target, some demonstrators directed barbs at county officials, shouting through bullhorns that the cost of one of their baked chicken meals probably would finance a week of school lunches.

The county officials, in turn, fumed. One NACO official said their luncheon leftovers were going to Washington homeless shelters.

"This only makes me less supportive of their cause," said Shirley Greene, county commission chairman from Latah County, Idaho.

The demonstrators at the Washington Hilton Hotel were "just tragically misinformed," Gingrich later told reporters, questioning their motives and criticizing their behavior. "Why weren't they at work? Who are they? Who paid them?"

"They broke into the meeting and had bullhorns, and their idea of a dialog was to chant with bullhorns," Gingrich said. "I thought that was an interesting commentary on those who would do anything to stop me from my job."
UN: Nations must assist each other

By MATTI HUHTANEN

COPENHAGEN

An international poverty conference opened Monday with poor nations' pressing for more aid and the U.N. chief warning that the meeting could run aground on indifference.

"The problem of the United Nations is to cope with...donor fatigue, conference fatigue," said U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali.

"Fatigue will provide something more dangerous, which is indifference," he said. "Our goal is to show...we are all of the same community. We must help each other."

Western diplomats in pin-striped, Africans in adire robes and Arab delegates in kefiah headresses mingled in the central hall at the sprawling convention center.

On bulletin boards hung hundreds of drawings, paintings and poems by children — most from developing countries — expressing their visions of poverty and starvation.

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Living in an imperfect world

It is the saddest truth of them all, one which seminars or lectures on God do not even suggest, that even Dr. Morris' ones, can overturn: God exists, yet evil is alive and well. Where was God during the mid-eastern world. Where was the omnipotent, omniscient being. Surely, God can do better than this. The world needs to be fixed. If God had the ability to do this, then there is a chance that things need to be done.

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Generosity and equality: The American legacy of Lincoln
ND Senior and Clay students explore legendary President's ideas

By DAN CICHALSKI

The Tenth Edition of Merriam-Webster's collegiate Dictionary defines "legacy" as "something transmitted or received from an ancestor or predecessor or from the past," but this is definitely one of those words whose meaning can be discussed and modified for each individual.

For one group of students in the last five weeks, Patrick O'Malley's eighth grade English class at Clay Middle School has been discussing what they think Lincoln's legacy is for today. "The United States' sixteenth president, Abraham Lincoln," with the instruction of Notre Dame senior government major Gregg Behr, the students at Clay have looked at Lincoln, the impressions he made on his contemporaries, and the impressions he continues to make today. Seven years after John Wilkes Booth ended his life in an assassin's bullet, a conviction of morals continued that legacy into the 1990's.

In previous weeks, the class used newspapers to study both nineteenth-century newspapers as Kennedy, King, Dylan, Angelou, and modified for each individual. I believe that we should not just celebrate this legacy on a given day (Lincoln's Birthday) or a given month (African-American History Month). We should celebrate it on every day, of every month, of every year."

"Today, with the 20th century drawing to a close, the Lincoln Memorial has been dedicated as the spirit of Abraham Lincoln and what he strived for continues today, making Gregg Behr and Mr. O'Malley's eighth grade English class at Clay Middle School as much a part of Lincoln's legacy as Kennedy, King, Dylan, Angelou, and Bono."

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Essence Wright

"What I hear is people trying to talk about peace and freedom, and I hear how people say that all people shall be treated equal. I hear the people talking about how it should be in 1995, but I don't see many people taking any action."

"I have read in the past by reading books and watching movies that came out. Civil Rights leaders have been fighting for what they believe in. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., he spoke about freedom, equality, and the way things people shall be treated are the same no matter if they are white, red, yellow or whatever color they are. They shouldn't be judged by their color, they should be judged by their actions and personality."

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"Now we are appointed to take the responsibility for us, and to keep the dream alive. We must not let the many other people die. If we don't do something, what will happen to our kids, our grandchildren, and others years from now? We must continue the dream."

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Abraham Lincoln

"Dear friends, we are gathered here today to express our feelings toward friendship and peace toward our fellow human beings. We need to stop the violence and start the healing. We need to stop destroying each other, and start helping each other to solve our problems non-violently. If we can do this together, we can accomplish anything. I think if we free the slave, and make all people equal, then we can make our nation stronger and lead a lot closer to standing around be a better nation. I think it would be great if little white boys and little black boys could play with each other and have fun. I wish that our nation was just the way it is supposed to be."

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"I will always remember what the great Civil Rights leaders tried to do for my freedom and my equality. I will try to pass on what they tried to do so we can always have our freedom and equal rights."
NEW YORK - Peter Nedev scored his first goal in 15 games at 5:29 of the third period as the New York Rangers rallied from a 3-1 deficit to defeat the Ottawa Senators 4-3 Monday night.

Nedev picked up Jay Wells’ bouncing lead pass at the Ottawa blue line, outwitted Senators defenseman Dennis Vial and beat goaltender Don Bouchard from the opposite endway after taking an initial shot.

The goal was just the third this season for Bouchard, who had been a major disappointment since his ballyhooed off-season acquisition from the St. Louis Blues for future Esa Tikkanen and defenceman Doug Lidster.

His other goals this season were late insurance scores in New York’s 6-2 victory in Madison Square Garden against the Senators on Jan. 30. He scored early in the Senators’ 4-3 win over the Rangers in the 1992-93 season, but his emphasis has been on finesse, not body checks.

“This is the first time he’s been scoring since free agency has been,” said Bouchard, traded by Washington to the Rangers last week with a pulled abdominal strain.

The Senators had lost all nine games with which they opened the season, but their re-entry into the league in the 1992-93 season and last defeated the New York Rangers 14-2 in 1934 during their original stay in the NHL.

Ottawa got an early jump on New York when Rangers defenceman Alexander Karpovtsev fell behind his own net. Senators left wing Bill Beutler sent the loose puck and fed ex-Ranger Phil Bourque, who scored from just inside the blue line at 1:54 of the first period.

New York’s Brian Leetch evened the score at 14:34, cupping an end-to-end rush with a 25-foot wrist shot into the top corner over Beausport’s glove.

The goal was just the second of the season and the first in last three games for former Conn Smythe Trophy winner.

But the Senators, who defeated the New York Islanders 3-1 Sunday night in Ottawa, held a 3-1 lead on second-period goals by Huerl and Atenish. Vial has a pulled muscle.

Then after Beaupre denied Mark Messier on a 2-on-1 shorthanded break with Leetch, the Senators countered with a 2-on-1 in the opposite direction, and Yashin converted Alexandre Daigle’s pass for his team-leading fifth goal at 2:28.

The lead lasted less than seven minutes, as Messier set up Adam Graves and Brian Noonan for two goals within a 3:43 span.

Batista broke his 11th at 5:25, Messier held the puck inside the zone, danced between to two defenders and fed Graves in the slot.

Nordiques, Devils 3

Right wing Owen Nolan had the fifth three-goal game of his career when he beat the New York Devils 6-3 Monday night to move into first place in the NHL’s overall standings.

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Climbing Wall Schedule - The climbing wall is now open at 4-2230 and you will be sent wall hours. The climbing wall is located in the Rockne Memorial and anyone interested in using it must complete an orientation session. For more info call RecSports at 1-6100.

Challenge U Aerobics - There will be no 4-00 pm Aerobics class on Friday, March 10. The regular schedule will resume on Monday, March 20.

ND/SMC Sailing Club - Attention sailors, we will be having an organizational meeting for the spring on Tuesday, March 21 at 7:00 pm at the boathouse. Please come if interested.

Duke coach feeling better

By JIM O'CONNELL
Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C.
Mike Krzyzewski was back in Cameron Indoor Stadium on Monday and there was no way to wipe the smile from his face. Sitting on a small stage at one end of the court that has seen so many exciting games in his 15 seasons at Duke, Krzyzewski held a news conference to let everybody know he's OK as he continues to recover from back surgery and that he'll be back on the sidelines next season.

"I missed coaching and it's really good to be back in this building," he told a group of 90 reporters sitting on the floor and 30 or so fans and students who were sitting in the upper level. "I am very impressed with how many people are here."

"I'm embarrassed a little to do this news conference because I don't have any earth-shaking news. I don't want to be a hot ticket. I just want to coach basketball."

He won't do that this week at the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament because he won't even be in Greensboro for it. He will meet with the team Monday and plans to take part in practice Tuesday, but that's it — doctors' orders.

The last time Krzyzewski coached the Blue Devils was Feb. 4. He had undergone surgery for a ruptured disc in his back on Oct. 21 and rushed back to work, something that led to exhaustion and finally forced him from the coaching the rest of the season at the school he had led to seven Final Fours in the last nine years and national championships in 1991 and 1992.

His left leg collapsed during a test for his back and that led to the surgery, something he didn't want to have during the season. That caused the exhaustion and Krzyzewski, 48, admitted he was scared.

"I was very scared," he said. "I had never in my life not been able to just go at something but I was just so exhausted. I just didn't have any energy. You just can't go but you really want to. I was scared because I couldn't believe it was just a back. It just had to be something else.

Krzyzewski underwent batteries of tests and received a clean bill of health and a decision was finally reached that he had to concentrate solely on rehabilitating his back. And that meant total rest and cutting ties with his team.

He addressed the many rumors that floated during his absence, the main ones being a much more serious illness or burnout.

"Like David Letterman, I have a top 10 list of rumors," Krzyzewski said laughing. "Rumors are part of the game and can be kind of funny.

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Three positions for programming assistants are available for 1995-1996 to students with leadership ability and creative ideas who want to improve student life by planning campus-wide events.

Pick up an application in the Student Activities Office (315 LaFortune) and return it by Friday, March 10th. Interviews will be conducted March 23rd and March 24th so sign up for an interview when you turn in your application.

Questions?
Call Gayle Spencer at 631-7308
Negotiations put on hold again

By RONALD BLUM
Associated Press

PALM BEACH, Fla. A day after the both sides walked away from negotiations, baseball owners prepared Monday for their quarterly meetings and union officials returned to their offices in New York.

No negotiations are scheduled this week, when the strike completes its seventh month. The sides had set a March 5 deadline for an agreement that would allow the season to start as scheduled with major leaguers, but at least one owner thought next weekend was the real deadline.

"I don't see how we can go beyond Monday and still be ready for the opener," Philadelphia Phillies president Bill Giles said in Clearwater. "I have a hunch that the union doesn't think that's going to happen, whatever it is. I don't think that's going to happen."

Last Thursday, acting commissioner Bud Selig threatened to turn negotiations over to the owners if a deal wasn't reached by Monday during an interview with ESPN.

"I assume negotiations will start up again after our meetings in Florida," Reinsdorf said. "I certainly don't think there's going to be any change. I have 100 percent confidence in our people and I know Bud Selig does."

Selig was to arrive in Palm Beach on Tuesday and stay at the same resort where owners had met last month before management rescinded the salary cap.

The NLRB is expected to issue another complaint against owners this week for failing to restore the old work rules, such as salary arbitration.

Florida for possible talks, but on Sunday decided against the move.

Fehr, speaking from New York, said the union wasn't at fault for the breakoff in negotiations.

"We haven't been accused of breaking the law twice," he said. "They have and they're about to be a third time."

He was referring to the National Labor Relations Board, which issued a unfair labor practice complaint against owners in December and was about to issue another last month before management rescinded the salary cap.

"We were very focused on this match," Crabtree observed. "They are a regional team who beat us last year 5-4."

For Crabtree, this win continued a recent comeback after a rough stretch of tennis.

"I think this weekend definitely went better personally," said Crabtree, who boasts a national ranking of 26th. "I was a lot more aggressive, attacking a little more and putting away some shots. Earlier in the year, I was tentative, almost afraid of losing."

That fear was absent again on Sunday, as the All-American defeated a fellow ranked opponent, Demon Deacon Terry Ann Zawacki in relatively easy fashion, 6-4, 6-2.

"Wendy's back," Loudback noted. "She showed a lot of confidence attacking the net and she served a lot better."

Unfortunately, Crabtree's success wasn't shared by her teammates, as the Irish couldn't muster a win in the bottom half of the singles draw.

Stilt, bright spots other than Crabtree were apparent. Most notably, Holyn Lord continues to impress her coaches and her opponents, taking both of her singles matches last weekend.

"Holyn just doesn't lose very often," Loudback noted.

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The Irish opened the tourna­ment Friday by splitting a pair of games played in the midst of 40 degree rain. The first was an 8-6 whitewashing of Minnesota. Kobata, stinger than Scrooge, allowed a mea­

two hits.

Notre Dame scored five
times in the first inning to pick

up the win. Jordan Knauson

singly with one out, and scored on shortstop Meghan Murray's bases-loaded walk. Senior catcher Sara Hayes went

for two with 2 Hits and walked her first homer of the season.
The Irish did not fare as well against Louisiana Tech, despite Joy Bataterry holding the Lady Techsters to three

hits. They took a 2-0 lead into

the 6th inning, but watched the lead evaporate to defeat as Louisiana Tech rallied for four runs on only one hit that went beyond the infield. Defensively, the Lady Techsters played a flawless
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Tennis teams too much for Big Ten

Irish dominate with 7-0 victories over Illini, Buckeyes

By B.J. HOOD

The Notre Dame men's tennis team posted a pair of shutout victories this weekend. "It's the best weekend we've had all year," said coach Bob Bayliss. "These were two good Big Ten teams, and we took control from the outset, which I was happy to see." Just because the scores were 7-0, that does not mean all the matches were easy. Irish junior Jason Pun battled back from a 3-6, 5-2 deficit to defeat Illinois' Chris Devore at number three singles showing Bayliss "great courage." Ryan Simms had a great weekend at number one singles defeating two aggressive players. On Saturday, he defeated Jeremy Sutter 6-3, 6-4. Top seeded Iowa's Bryan Crowley 6-2, 6-2 on Sunday.

Mike Sprouse also had a strong weekend at number two singles. He defeated Jerry Turuck of the Illini 6-2, 2-6, 6-4, and his opponent from Iowa, Bob Zumph, retired at 0-1.

Jakub Pietrowski defeated Dave Manpearl of Illinois 6-4, 6-4, 7-5 at number four singles. On Sunday, Pietrowski moved up to number three singles and beat Tom Doroski 6-3, 7-5.

Steve Flanigan defeated Brady Blain 6-2, 6-2 at number five singles on Saturday, and topped Marcus Ekstrad 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 at number four singles against the Hawkeyes. Flanigan is 8-2 in singles competition this year.

Ron Mencisak, now the winner of four straight, defeated Illinois' Drew Parker 6-4, 6-2, and Iowa's Bryan Johnstone 7-6, 6-1.

John Jay O'Brien had his first match after knee injury over the weekend. He defeated Mattias Jonsson of Iowa 6-3, 6-0 at number five singles.

In doubles competition against the Illini, the see TENNIS / page 13

Teams have impressive showing at regionals

By JOE VILLINSKI

If there is anything that defines the Notre Dame fencing squad, it is the fact that they are a team. As the Irish traveled to Appleton, Wisconsin last weekend, however, they were forced to leave behind a part of that team.

The Midwest Regional Qualifiers only allowed three fencers to compete in each weapon due to the budgetary restrictions of the NCAA. Despite this, the nucleus of the team put nine out of a possible ten fencers on a list to be recommended to the NCAA as the qualifiers from the midwest region along with a possible at-large bid. The individual format of the tournament was not drawing much praise from the participants.

"I definitely don't feel that the change the NCAA made is a change for the better," foil captain Stan Brunner said. "We hung in there. As for the two in each match with Siek prevailing. Brunner will also be recommended to the NCAA as an alternate after he finished seventh at the regional.

Sophomore Bill Lester will be on the list of midwest qualifiers after posting a second place finish on the weekend in sabre. Joining him will be captain Chris Hajtki who finished seventh at Appleton, but will be the fifth fencer out of six to be recommended to the committee.

As spring break nears, the Irish now have three weeks to prepare for the NCAA Championships which will be hosted at Notre Dame. If this weekend was a telltale sign of events to come, the Irish will be a serious threat to repeat as champions.

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The Irish got drenched in Texas, but came away with two Terry Kobata victories.

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