By DAN CICHALSKI
and DEREK BETCHER
Assistant New s Editor

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and institutions of higher education need
work together to help more individuals
above a tape player and a
image of each patient, hangs
crafted mask, modeled in the
virus. In the exhibit, a hand­
non-profit organization that
the media.

"We need to concentrate on making
sure...that you can access higher
education." Rep. Tim Roemer

"The single most impor-
tant items in the Higher Education
Act are the array of student aid
programs," Notre Dame Provost
Acting Chancellor Lester Lamon.
"The guiding principle
for the subcommittee should be to
preserve, and in some cases
extend, the existing programs and
fund them at the current levels."
Joining Hatch on the panel
was representative of Indiana University at South Bend
acting Chancellor Lester Lamon.
President Dr. H. Haenick.
President of Western Michigan
Professor Richard Purgie and
Lake Michigan College President
Chancellor Carl Lutz.

The general consensus among
the group was that these federal pro-
grams must be continued, but
improved.

"We see these programs as a
necessary complement to what we
do," Hatch said. "The programs
the government provide are
essential for us. Seventy percent of
our students receive some sort of
aid."

"A lot of things need to be worked on at
the federal and state levels to ensure this
act works," Lutz added.

The representatives of area institutions
showed a strong interest in maintaining
effective programs like Pell Grants.

"Pell Grants are a vital source of aid for
our most needy students," Hatch said.
"Its assistance to our students has been
vital."

"I urge Congress to restore the grant
program as the central focus of federal
aid programs."

By BRIDGET O'CONNOR
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Friday Feature

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INSIDE COLUMN

Not Just Oranges and Tomatoes

When I informed people I was going on the CSC Migrant Experiences Seminar, a response of surprise was often the first reaction. People were amazed that there were those who had never considered traveling to rural areas during the spring break, or even during the summer. As far as I'm concerned, the most important lesson I learned during the trip was how much I had overestimated the number of oranges I picked in a day.

The numinous world of oranges, whether they be Florida oranges, California oranges, or Florida oranges that have been transported to California, is a world that few are familiar with. As I walked through the groves, picking oranges, I was struck by how little I knew about the nature of this experience. The oranges are not just like you and me. As far as I'm concerned, the world of oranges is a world of mystery and wonder.

Although I had never picked oranges before, I was confident that I could do so. However, as I discovered, the reality of the experience was quite different. The process of picking oranges is not as simple as it seems. The work is tiring, and the weather can be unpredictable. Despite these challenges, I was able to grasp the true nature of the experience and appreciate the beauty of the oranges.

As we can read about something forever in a book, and attend lectures until we drop, we can never fully understand another reality unless we have the opportunity to witness it first-hand.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Russia and Belarus take first step toward peace

Russia and Belarus signed a treaty Wednesday meant to bring their people, economies and arms together, in a first step toward reintegrating the two former Soviet republics. President Boris Yeltsin, who signed the accord with his Belarusian counterpart, Alexander Lukashenko, stressed that the two Slavic nations will remain sovereign and separate.

"We'll transform our continent into a unified state for now, but a union of two nations," Yeltsin said at the signing ceremony in a glided Kremlin hall. No other ex-Soviet republics have shown a real desire for reunification since the Soviet Union collapsed in 1991, creating 15 separate states.

Although Russian hard-liners hailed the treaty as a step toward the revival of a mighty state, Belarusian opponents expressed fear their country of 10 million people would lose its independence to much larger Russia.

Critics also argued that integrating the two troubled countries will only create more problems for both.

About 5,000 opponents of the accord tried in March to the Russian Embassy in the Belarusian capital, Minsk. Police baton-wielding and hitting the marchers when the protesters threw stones at them.

The clash was the worst violence in Belarus in months. Russian news broadcasts showed political leaders putting down the violence with truncheons and an officer swinging his boot to hit an injured reporter who was lying on the ground.

Opposition and human rights activists said about 200 people were beaten and detained. The government confirmed 70 people were detained and three policemen were injured, but declined to provide more information.

NYC bar bans table dancing

Researchers find American cannibals

Hey, Julia Roberts — get down off that bar! And Drew Barrymore don't shake your booty like that! City officials have put a halt to boogying at Hogs & Heifers, a downtown honky-tonk known for its collection of celebrities, often on the run from paparazzi.

Those kudos have been known to mount the Hogs & Heifers in spontaneous bursts of late-night dancing. But it turned out there was a Prohibition-like law that requires a cabaret license for such footloose activity. Last Thursday night, Hogs & Heifers owner Alvie Harris was gone, a dozen police officers walked in, told him that undercover cops had witnessed dancing in the bar the previous weekend, and shut him down. "It's a world where they put you up, a guy for dancing," Dell said. He went to court the next day and got the bar reopened. And despite signs inside and out reading "No Dancing by Order of New York City Department of Consumer Affairs, Cabaret Division," at least a dozen patrons on a recent weekend were hopping to country music blaring from the jukebox.

Muderer escapes and kills again

COLUMBUS

A paroled murderer diagnosed with hysteric paralysis leaped from his wheelchair, overpowered a guard and escaped in the truck of a man he later shot to death, police said. Alva Campbell, 48, was arrested Wednesday about six hours after he grabbed a receipt from a sheriff's deputy and escaped from the Franklin County Courthouse through an underground passageway, police said. Campbell, paralyzed in 1992 after serving 20 years for killing a man in a bar, was held without bond today on charges of aggravated murder, felonious assault and escape. Once outside the courthouse, Campbell commandeered a truck belonging to Charles Diałe, 18, who may have been at the courthouse to pay a fine for a headlight violation, police said. While searching police received a report of a shooting in a Kmart parking lot about five miles away. They arrived to find Dials inside, shot dead and wearing Campbell's prison uniform. Campbell further forced his way into a car driven by a woman.

Six inmates die in highway crash

DICKSON, Tenn.

A van transporting prisoners burst into flame on a highway today, killing all six of them as the driver tried vainly to save the chained and shackled men, authorities said. The driver was burned. Earlier reports that a seventh inmate survived the fire were incorrect, said Safety Department spokesman Anthony Kimbrough. "There were smoke and flames, but we did not see a gas can. The driver was unhurt. Kimbrough said the fire apparently was started by a broken drive shaft that pierced the vehicle's fuel tank. Emergency officials said the problem may have been a broken axle rather than the drive shaft. No other vehicles were involved, Ms. McNab said. The victims were heading to a median of Interstate 40, about 45 miles west of Nashville. Its windows were blown out by the flames on the highway. "The prisoners were consmed in the fire," said Lt. Mike Dover of the Tennessee Highway Patrol. He said the prisoners were chained and shackled to each other but not to the vehicle. The fire burned so hot that the plastic in the van melted away.

WORLD AT A GLANCE

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New York

One spring around the year 1,120, the people of what's now known as Cowboy Wash met a horrible end. In a jumbled collection of bones, tools and pottery, archaeologists have uncovered grave goods that attackers slaughtered, butchered and perhaps even cannibalized the long-ago inhabitants of the American Southeast. The discovery adds to the growing debate over the possibility of cannibalism among the Anasazi Indians, whose spectacular, apartment-size cliff dwellings remain a major tourist attraction. "We feel very strongly that this is a case of cannibalism. If it's not, we don't know what else it could be that would produce this set of remains," said Brian Billman, part of a team of archaeologists who excavated the site from 1942 to 1949, in the Ute Mountains of southwestern Colorado. Inside two of the three small dwellings they unearthed were bones of at least seven people scattered amid the everyday pottery and tools of 12th century Southwestern life. Cut marks on the bones suggest that the bodies were butchered about the time of death, and darkened areas on some of them suggest cooking as well. "Certainly people were mutilated," said Patricia Lambert, a researcher on the case.
One year later...
Campus disagrees on effects of Open Letter response

By DEREK BETCHER

One important indirect benefit of the response which Firth also pinpointed was the open discussion of gay and lesbian issues which has ensued. "In general, I agree with her comments," Firth said. "The campus has been made aware, enough to thoughtfully consider the issue." Firth also reiterated the University's official stance on gay and lesbian students, which was reprinted near the right margin. "Clearly there's more that can be done. There's always room for growth, but I've seen significant advancement," Firth said.

John Blandford, co-chair of GLND/SMC from Jan, 1994 through May, 1995, has labeled the last 12 months a huge disappointment. "There's a misconception that pervades this campus that something progressive has been done. But no — it's really not any better," he said.

Warning against a "false impression of progress," Blandford pointed to NDGLS as an example of inadequacy in the Open Letter. As a University group, rather than a student group, NDGLS cannot elect representatives or organize events and is distinctly dependent on the Office of Student Affairs.

"The group [Professor Patricia O'Hara] created is not what the Ad Hoc Committee called for or another incarnation of the Ad Hoc Committee," Blandford asserted. "While NDGLS does serve a function, it cannot help the whole group.

"As a whole, it's been a huge disappointment... The Ad Hoc Committee was used by Professor O'Hara to stall for a year. There has been no implementation in good faith," Blandford said.

"In any case, much of the University has put into place structures designed to specifically address the needs of our gay and lesbian students. We've taken the University to be a safe and inclusive environment in which every student can pursue the educational endeavor to which we are committed, free from harassment of any kind.

Over the course of the last year, the University has put into place structures designed to specifically address the needs of our gay and lesbian students. The vice president of Student Affairs, Professor Patricia O'Hara, has created the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs to advise her. In addition, the University has formed two groups which offer support to our gay and lesbian students within the context of this community.

In Monday's Observer...
Further coverage on the impact of the Ad Hoc Committee

The University acknowledges and affirms the presence of the gay and lesbian students in our midst. We value our gay and lesbian students, as we value all students who are members of this community. We want the University to be a safe and inclusive environment in which every student can pursue the educational endeavor to which we are committed, free from harassment of any kind.

The Standing Committee sponsored a lecture by Thomas Gumbleton, auxiliary bishop of Detroit. Among other points, Gumbleton supported an independent student group for gays and lesbians, a sexual orientation non-discrimination clause, and a price coming out to serve as role models.

Bill Kirk, vice president of Student Affairs, denied the request of the College Democrats to hold a demonstration as part of National Coming Out Week. "It is clear to this office... that GLND/SMC is the official group for this function in the GLND/SMC and NDGLS debate, Geary advocates a practical approach to that situation.

"Some people want GLND/SMC, but the University doesn't. Unfortunately the University has power over that," he said.

"There are so many different levels to this broader discussion. I say, 'Take the compromise and work with it,'" Geary said.

Also, Geary pinpointed an indirect negative consequence of the Open Letter.

"The gay community has become more divisive [in the past year]. There are just opposing forces," he said.

In any case, much of the University awaits the next development in the realm of gay and lesbian student issues.

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I would like to think that the climate has gotten a little better. And at the same time, we need to continue to build on the fairness of the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations," O'Hara said.

O'Hara emphasized that the greatest strength of the Open Letter does lie in any single recommendation or response, but rather resides in its total integrated response.

"No one step is sufficient," she explained. O'Hara also noted improved dialogue and awareness of gay and lesbian issues during the post 12 months.

"This year has been characterized by a greater openness," she said. "This year may not have been marked by as much rancor." In small contrast to that dissipation, the lack of open progress on revising the non-discrimination clause has become a controversial issue in recent weeks.

"Making that revision would be incredible," said Gallavan. "It would be a huge step forward..."
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that participation in the pro-
gram would "give the students
the opportunity to examine
their own drinking patterns."
More importantly for Newton,
participants do something for
someone else and will gain con-
cern and awareness in the area
of chemical dependency.

Tying the idea of abstaining
from alcohol into the Lenten
season, participants were given
a "self-structured and flexible
format," through which they
were to collect pledges from
supporters in exchange for a
challenge the was Gavin
Campbell is the contest leader
of his pledges from his
halls.

Farley, LeMans and Regina

"We realize that this is the
first year and that it might take
longer to get it on board in the
consciousness of the Notre
Dame community," explained
Newton.

As such, he noted that plan-
ning for next year’s Sober-a-
thon would begin immediately
after the Roast the Coach event.
He added that next year’s pro-
gram would incorporate some
additional activities to raise
awareness.

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provided the tools for the exhibi-
tion. He completed his first mask
in 1988, the recorded interview
was finished shortly afterward.
A group of professional artists
and others interested in the per-
sonal testimonies of AIDS
patients were then invited to
work on the project.

Dille will be in Lafortune on
Monday and Tuesday demon-
strating the process of creating
the masks. On Tuesday at 2
p.m., he will depict the face of
a local community member with
AIDS to a mask in public view.
A recorded interview with the
person will also be completed.
The project’s ultimate goal is to
have persons with AIDS speak
"not just on issues of dying, but
of the reality of living and work-
ning day to day with a commonly
stigmatizing illness," advocates
asserted.

According to Sevilla, the exhi-
bition is powerful because it
resounds the fact that AIDS "is
affecting the person right next to
you."

Project Face to Face has been
viewed at 18 conferences in the
United States and Italy, in
numerous museums and civic
institutions across the country,
and at dozens of colleges and
universities nationwide.

All students and community
members are invited to observe
the display in Lafortune
Ballroom, free of charge,
Monday through Thursday, 11
a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9
p.m., and also next Friday from
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Big ideas in store for the future of the Huddle

By JUSTYN HARKIN
Department Page Editor

Although there is little likelihood of commercializing LaFortune, that does not completely rule out the possibility of any change in the future. Jim Labella, operations manager for the Huddle, notes that there are several new ideas on the horizon, including the possibility of making Allegro more friendly to poetry readings, music sessions, and the like.

Big ideas in store for the future of the Huddle

The Huddle, which includes the Little Store, Tomassito's Pizza, Allegro, The Huddle Grill, and the now-defunct Orient Express, occupies almost half of the ground floor of LaFortune.

The Huddle will deliver any of its products, including those in the Little Store, free of charge to any campus location if the order is over $5.

The Huddle's closing time is solely based on the customer base. "It was really slow." As compensation for the coffee shop's early closing hour, Labella explained that the decision to make Allegro's closing time earlier was due to an extremely light evening usage.

"Keeping Allegro open late was not a good use of our resources," Labella said. "It was really slow." As compensation for the coffee shop's early closing hour, however, Labella decided to offer Allegro's gourmet coffees in the Little Store, which features a much later closing time of 3 a.m. An instant cappuccino machine was also installed. Another idea for change in LaFortune involves the Little Store, which is by far the Huddle's largest attraction. Labella wants to take the space currently occupied by the Orient Express and convert it into a larger version of the Little Store.

He explains that the space now used by the Little Store would be used for additional seating and benches that is currently occupied by the Little Store would be greatly increased.

Labella stressed that these ideas concerning Allegro, the Little Store, and the fate of Orient Express are merely proposals, and they may or may not be realized.

Mc Fortune's?

Can commercial restaurants ever come to LaFortune?

By JUSTYN HARKIN
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Most Szabo, during his 1997 campaign for student body president, ran on a platform that offered, among other things, the commercialization of the Huddle's restaurant space in the LaFortune Student Center.

Szabo imagined a new Huddle, complete with brand-name gourmet coffee and homemade goodness sandwiches from a real live deli.

Szabo was also quick to comment that Notre Dame's Food Service-run Huddle was a dinosaur compared to other universities' student centers, which featured commercial restaurants like McDonald's, Burger King or Taco Bell. The notion of commercial restaurants occupying LaFortune was indeed provocative, but election results effectively quashed the idea, perhaps until a future candidate picks it up.

There are two ways for the University to bring in a restaurant like McDonald's: either through a licensing agreement or the purchase of a franchise.

A licensing agreement would permit Notre Dame to use the name of a large franchise, but it would be limited in what it could offer in terms of menu selection. If a licensing agreement were arranged with Taco Bell, for example, only the basic taco would be available, with the possible addition of another item.

Purchasing a franchise, on the other hand, would permit the University not only to use the name of Taco Bell, but to sell all Taco Bell products. The LaFortune location of the franchise would thus be entitled to all of the privileges boasted by the licensee across the street.

"There's a hundred things to consider before bringing in a franchise. It's not as simple as 'can we bring one in tomorrow?"" -Dave Prentkowski

One such thing to consider would be the future move of administrative employees from the Main Building to Grace and Flanner. The distance from the towers to LaFortune will greatly decrease the amount of employee patronage, especially in the winter.

Prentkowski also explained that because of the size of the University, the customer base is rather limited. The restricted menu of a franchise restaurant also detracts from its initial attractiveness.

He further noted that market research has shown that once the novelty of the restaurant wears away, students are likely to become bored with the product. Eventually, prices would have to be raised to cover the expenses and the use of the franchise's name.

Add the fact that most students are "tied" to their meal plans, and the idea for a commercial restaurant seems even less appealing.

"Besides," adds Prentkowski, "there has not been much of a demand for such a service."

Prentkowski noted that the facilities at the Huddle have a flexibility to change the menu according to the students' tastes.

Also, because the Huddle is considered an auxiliary service, the prices of its products are dictated only by the cost of maintaining the Huddle's operations costs.

"We do not run it (the Huddle) as a profit-generating business," said Prentkowski. "We just want to break even."

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W e get orders for everything from pizza to batteries...It's pretty common to get an order from a student requesting (things like) a bowl of chicken soup and a packet of cold medicine.'

-Jim Labella

Whether you go there for pizza or cappuccino, for the Acoustic Cafe, or simply to study, the Huddle plays a large role in LaFortune's function as Notre Dame's student center.

Today...

A look at the Huddle

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Perhaps one of the largest complaints about the coffee shop can be heard amongst the ranks of students performing all-nighters in LaFortune's 24-hour lounge when their desired double expressos are not available because of Allegro's early closing hour. 9:30 p.m.

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aid to needy students," Lamon said. He also added that the direct student loan system is more efficient than an indirect method.

Roemer stressed that the primary objective of the panel discussion was to gather input from the various aspects of college education and financial aid. "We don't want to regulate you," he said. "The diversity of this panel reflects the strength of the Higher Education Act."

While the first panel was dominated by administrators, the second panel was composed of individuals involved in the receiving and distributing stages of the aid process.

Two students, a parent, two community college administrators, and a banker rounded out the congressmen's audience by offering their conclusions on accessibility and efficiency of the current financial aid system.

"I really think that it is valuable to listen to individual people," Roemer said. "We need to ask ourselves: Are we encouraging people to go to school? What more can we do?"

Crescent Mohammad, a Smith Bend resident currently enrolled in her senior year at Harvard College, offered some of the most compelling remarks.

"As an African American student from the inner city, I do not feel that I would have had access to this education without current programs and funding," she said. "Offering testimony for continued federal aid support. "

She also agreed that there is room for expansion and improvement. "I'll be repaying $200-$250 a month for the next 10 years," she shared. "I'd like to work in the public sector...I'm not interested in corporate America, but corporate America pays well and I need to pay back these loans."

Roemer later agreed that an aid system that dictates careers is less-than-desirable. "We don't want to regulate you," he said. "The diversity of this panel reflects the strength of the Higher Education Act."

Roemer was especially supportive of educational youth programs and federal work-study programs as an alternative to the current financial aid system.

"You can request an absence ballot by fax, but you can't apply for a student loan by fax," he remarked.

Joe Calvaruso, senior vice president of Shoreline Bank, remarked, "At 9:00am - 12:00pm Hesburgh Library Lounge Sexual Identities and Women's Resource Center.

"The process could do well to simplify," he continued, "We need to modernize our federal programs to achieve continued reliable and easy available funds well into the 21st century," he said.

Questions, comments, ideas?

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Jury candidates clash on execution issues

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN 
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DENVER - All citing the Bible and two prospective jurors in the Oklahoma City bombing trial said they could recommend execution with a clear conscience, while a third said she couldn't live with herself if she did.

The candidates for the panel (that will sit in judgment of Timothy McVeigh were questioned as jury selection entered a third day. Their answers took the tone of a theological discussion.

"A computer analyst who teaches a Bible class for teenagers said he considered the Christian belief of turning the other cheek but still concluded "you could support the argument for the death penalty."

"I'm not a strong advocate of the death penalty," he said. "I think it should be used in certain cases." Another prospect, also a computer analyst, said she recalled Jesus' teachings that only those without sin should cast the first stone. "I don't feel guilty of throwing that first stone," she said.

"I could consider all of the evidence but I couldn't live with myself if I had to decide if somebody was to be put to death," said the woman identified as Juror No. 101.

The next woman questioned, a farmer's wife identified as Juror No. 779, used her own view of the Golden Rule to back the death penalty.

"If he's guilty, he should get the death penalty," said the woman identified as Juror No. 101.

"Because the federal charges of murder and conspiracy against McVeigh carry a penalty of death by injection, a willingness to impose the death penalty is a requirement of the 19th questioned so far, only two have opposed it.

With the process plodding along and some prospects being questioned for an hour or more, it is expected to take weeks to whittle the pool of 350 prospects to 12 jurors and six alternates.

In another development, U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch scheduled a hearing Thursday on a petition filed by a group of news media representatives who want public access to the jury selection process.

To help protect the privacy of prospective jurors, Matsch is conducting challenges for cause in chambers. He ordered construction of a partition that blocks the candidates from the view of the news media in his courtroom. He also has sealed daily transcripts of the selection process.

McVeigh, 28, is charged in the April 19, 1995, truck bombing that ripped open the Alfred P. Murrah federal building, killing 168 people and injuring hundreds.
SMC bans halogen lamps for '97-'98

By HEATHER CROSS
The Observer

When moving into the dorms next fall, Saint Mary's students will not need to lug halogen lamps along with their belongings.

As of August, the appliances will no longer be allowed in the residence halls, Saint Mary's office of Residence Life and Housing announced last week.

The decision to ban the lamps was based on a recommendation from the Fire and Safety Committee, according to Sue Orr, director of Residence Life and Housing at Saint Mary's.

The decision was publicized this week in a letter to students from Orr which listed several dangers of the lamps.

"There has been at least one fire caused by a halogen lamp at Saint Mary's, and one at Notre Dame, in the past two years," Orr noted.

The letter also stated that the decision was made "after much discussion about the fire hazards created by the use of halogen lighting and the personal safety and liability issues associated by allowing the continued use of these lamps."

Students were warned that the lights that will be allowed as of next term include not only the floor standing models, but also desk lamps and all other lamps that use regular bulbs, which can produce temperatures of over 1,000 degrees. Also included in the letter were safety tips for students who currently use halogen lamps in the dorms. The information was provided by the Underwriters Laboratories Inc., a company that inspects and approves many appliances, including the lamps.

Students have mixed reactions to the new policy. Katie Pain, a resident advisor in LeMans Hall, agrees with the decision.

"It's better to be safe than sorry," Pain said.

"I can understand the school's desire to protect our safety, but if they're truly concerned about preventing fires, smoking shouldn't be allowed in the dorms."

Katie Pain

Other students feel that the policy is unfair. Junior Sarah Banderas enjoys the convenience of her halogen lamp.

"We've had no problem with ours," Bandera said. "I think that if the companies can make them up to safety standards, we should be allowed to have them."

"College is where we're supposed to learn to take care of ourselves," said sophomore Jen Lemler.

She said that the decision conveys the message that Saint Mary's does not trust the students enough to let them take responsibility for their lamps.

"I as well as by a salsa dance show. Founded in 1972 by Armando Contreras is the choreographer, costume design

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ATTENTION NOTRE DAME STUDENTS:

We are asking for your enthusiasm to help welcome potential members of the next Freshman Class to Notre Dame. Last week we sent decision letters to thousands of students who applied to Notre Dame. Now, many of those admitted would like to visit the University, meet some students, spend a night in a dorm, and in general, get a sense of the community that is Notre Dame. We initially approached our Hospitality Program members to fulfill this role. However, we can never be certain what the demand for overnight visits will be.

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Scientists find cancer ‘switch’

By TIM WHITMIRE
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK

Scientists have isolated a substance they believe triggers breast cancer and whose discovery could lead to valuable advances in early detection and treatment of the disease.

Researchers at the State University of New York-Stony Brook said they found that the molecule mitogen-activated protein kinase, or MAP kinase, exists at levels five to 20 times higher in women with breast cancer than in normal breast tissue.

The discovery is reported in the April issue of The Journal of Clinical Investigation. An accompanying editorial calls it “an extremely exciting finding that has the potential of identifying an important therapeutic target.”

Breast cancer strikes about 180,000 American women each year, and is expected to kill 44,000 this year.

Dr. Craig Malbon, vice dean of Stony Brook’s University Medical Center and head of the research team, said Tuesday that migration of MAP kinase into the nucleus of a cell signals the cell to begin replicating itself, causing cancer.

Previous research has shown that MAP kinase signals cells to proliferate, Malbon said. The new research established a link between extremely high levels of the molecule and the growth and spread of breast cancer, he said.

Elevated levels of MAP kinase also were found in the lymph nodes of breast cancer patients whose cancer spread.

Such targeted treatment in cases that are detected early can be preferable to the more scattershot approaches of introducing special molecules to cancerous cells designed to “turn off” the MAP kinase cell.

FCC will mandate digital TVs soon

By JEANNINE AVERSA
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

Federal regulators are prepared to approve a plan Thursday to begin rolling out high-definition digital television to the public in 24 months.

The Federal Communications Commission’s plan caps 10 years of work to clear the way for the biggest industry advance since color in the 1950s.

The 24-month rule will apply to stations owned or affiliated with ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox in the nation’s top 10 markets.

Network affiliates and owned stations in markets 11 through 30 will have 30 months to begin digital broadcasting and the rest of the stations will have five years, FCC sources said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

“This gives us a chance to redefine television and in particular to redefine the public interest,” said FCC Chairman Reed Hundt, announcing an agreement among the four commissioners.

The plan will be officially adopted on Thursday.

The commission already has received written pledges from at least 25 stations in the top 10 markets to offer digital broadcasts within 18 months — in time for the 1998 holiday shopping season, Malbon said.

The next step — high-definition television with its even sharper pictures and sound than digital TV — is being left up to each station under the FCC plan, according to sources familiar with it. Stations will be free to broadcast as little or as much digital high-definition programs they want.

With the new digital technology, TV stations could cram more services into their airwaves space. For example, they could offer sports scores to laptop computer users or even establish a separate pay-for-view sports channel.

Once the plan is formally approved, the FCC will immediately begin issuing new digital broadcast licenses to every TV station in the country.

Hundt had supported a short timetable for pushing digital television onto the market, a move endorsed by the manufacturers of TV sets.

As they convert to digital, broadcasters will be transmitting programs over two channels: their existing analog, and a second digital channel that they’ll get from the government for free. This way, existing analog TV sets will not be rendered immediately useless.

The FCC’s plan shortens the time broadcasters have to switch entirely to digital — from 15 years in nine years, or by 2006. Broadcasters don’t like the new timetable, which matches a Clinton administration proposal. By 2006, however, broadcasters will no longer transmit programs in analog. That means people who would have to buy a new digital TV by then, or a device that would enable existing TV sets to receive the new signals.
Company stops alien coverage

By EDITH LEREDER
Amended Press Writer

LONDON

A company that insured the Heaven's Gate cult against abduction by aliens has stopped offering that policy in the wake of the cult's suicides.

"Innocent lives were wasted," said managing director Simon Burgess. "We don't wish to contribute to a repetition of the Heaven's Gate deaths."

Workers worried about hepatitis

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MEXICO

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MEXICO CITY

Mexican grower Conrad Gonzalez's regimen for his strawberry fields includes well-water irrigation and a covering of plastic sheets to prevent the plants from coming into contact with the soil.

"It may sound contentious, but we are as good and maybe a little better than U.S. growers," he said.

But an outbreak of hepatitis linked to strawberries grown 150 miles south of Tijuana and served at U.S. schools has caused concern among U.S. markets for his products.

"This goes beyond the current health problem...the industry will be affected both in Mexico and the United States," says Gonzalez, president of the Coastal Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association.

Consumers in at least six U.S. states are believed to have been exposed to hepatitis through frozen strawberries, although 151 schoolchildren and teachers in Michigan are the only people reported to have fallen ill.

Mexican participants in the $1.9 billion-a-year produce export business - which has blossomed in the two years since the North American Free Trade Agreement took effect - deny they are to blame for the outbreak.

"Don't think irrigation water was the source of this infection," said Israel Camacho, assistant secretary of agriculture for Baja California.

"It is more likely that the strawberries were contaminated, if they were contaminated, during processing and packing rather than during cultivation," he said.

The Heaven's Gate cult learned of the company's Internet, then bought a $1,000 policy on Oct. 18.

It covered up to 50 members and would pay $1 million per person for abduction, impregnation or death caused by aliens.

But the cult members took their own lives last week in a California mansion, seeking redemption in a spaceship they believed was the Hale-Bopp comet.

Their policy beneficiary was the Society of Heaven's Gate. The cult paid the premium and the policy remains in force until Oct. 9, but collecting is another issue entirely.

"They would have to prove that they were abducted," Burgess said.
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Clinton takes center stage in fund-raising rush

By JOHN SOLomon

WASHINGTON

Eager to raise millions for President Clinton's re-election, Democratic fund-raisers laid out precise and ambitious goals: Events with the president should raise $50 million, those with Vice President Al Gore, $10.8 million; those with Hillary Rodham Clinton, $5 million, according to documents released Wednesday.

"Ugh," Clinton scribbled alongside a memo from aide Phil Caplan that detailed the Democratic Party's expected debts and even recommended budgeting $1 million for "potential fines" after the 1996 election.

"I think we can do better with less money," she wrote. "We have the right message," Clinton wrote back another time when then-deputy chief of staff Harold Ickes raised concerns that the Democratic Party wasn't raising enough money to spend in federal races.

The documents were among hundreds of pages from Ickes' White House files that were turned over last month to congressional committees investigating allegations of fund-raising abuses. The papers were released Wednesday by the White House.

The memos portray a White House eager to exploit the money-drawing powers of its chief occupants while intimate-coordinating a Democratic fund-raising machine it now admits was out of control. Many of the memos are blunt — laying out precise and ambitious goals.

One page attached to an Ickes memo projected the president should raise $50.2 million by attending fund-raising events, while Gore should bring in $10.8 million and Mrs. Clinton an additional $5 million.

The first lady was slated for a variety of fund-raising activities in the documents, from making 10 calls to donors, $3,000 to $5,000 each, to hosting a "Pakistani event" that would raise $100,000.

If the various lists of fund-raisers were added up, the total associated with the president's possible attendance could have been as much as $70 million — from coffees and dinners to a conference call expected to yield $100,000.

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"The fund-raising needs for the DNC will require a very substantial commitment of time from the President, the Vice President, the First Lady and Mrs. Gore," Ickes wrote in one memo directly to Clinton and Gore.

The words "very substantial" were underlined.

The release of the documents dominated the daily press briefing at the White House, where officials once again found themselves defending the extensive time spent by the president, vice president and presidential aides on political fund-raising.

"The Republicans outspent us," and it was a "difficult political contest," White House counsel Larry Davis said.

Press secretary Mike McCurry added: "If you ask the Republican National Committee to present you with their analogous set of documents ... you'd see the same thing."

The White House documents show that at least in one instance Ickes was kept apprised of the large amounts of money raised by a handful of donors who attended two coffee kitches with Clinton in June 1996.

"Ickes, here are the coffee attendees (with POTUS) and ads...raised,"read a handwritten cover letter faxed in Ickes from the DNC about two weeks after the coffees.

An accompanying list showed that each attendee had raised or donated between $50,000 and $100,000 — for a total of $1 million. Some had asterisks alongside their names to denote "contributions are in installments."

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Hubbell meets with Clinton, denies Whitewater allegations

By RON FOUNIER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON
Shortly after White House aides began an effort to secure financial help for Webster Hubbell, the president met with him at Camp David and denied the accusations against him.

"I didn't tell him the truth," Hubbell said Thursday.

Hubbell, a Whitewater figure, said he knew at the time of the July 1994 meeting he had bilked his former law firm but lied to the president about it. Months later, Hubbell reversed course and pleaded guilty.

"The president asked me if I'd done something wrong," Hubbell said in a telephone interview from Little Rock, Ark. "And I didn't tell him the truth."

Hubbell, one of the president's closest confidants, abruptly resigned from the No. 3 Justice Department job in March 1994 amid reports of a billing dispute with the Little Rock law firm where he and Hillary Rodham Clinton had been partners.

At least three top administration officials, including then-Chief of Staff Mark McLarty and current White House staff chief Erskine Bowles, made calls to find Hubbell work in the days that followed and Hubbell reportedly landed several hundreds of thousands of dollars of business.

Whitewater prosecutors, frustrated by Hubbell's memory lapses as he cooperated with their probe, are now looking into whether the financial assistance Hubbell's friends and Whitewater reportedly landed several hundreds of thousands of dollars of business.

Hubbell and the White House both deny that he did.

Expressing deep regret for misleading Clinton and other friends, Hubbell said the president no reason to believe he was anything but innocent of accusations that he stole money from his former law firm and some of its clients.

"The president and first lady did not know and I did not tell them I committed a crime until I pleaded guilty," Hubbell said.

On Thursday, Clinton said McLarty and Bowles had acted "just out of human compassion" and that what they did was entirely proper because they believed Hubbell had done nothing wrong.

"At the time that was done, no one had any idea about what the nature of the allegations were against Mr. Hubbell or whether they were true," Clinton said.

"Everybody thought there was some sort of billing dispute with his law firm and that's all anybody knew about it, so, no, I do not think they did anything improper."

As the president defended his associates, a Little Rock grand jury investigating payments made to Hubbell summoned a businessman who had hired the former associate attorney general at the request of Clinton friends. The grand jury also heard testimony from James McDougal, the convicted former business partner of Clinton.

Hubbell said he was summoned to Camp David in June or July of 1994 to play golf with Clinton — some four months after his resignation with Hillary Rodham Clinton inside the presidential cabin.

"He believed me and I was wrong," Hubbell said. "I want to make sure I emphasize that.... I hurt my friends, not just in committing the crime, but also by committing the crime in how I dealt with my friends afterward. I did not face up to my criminality initially, even after I left Justice. I have now."

White House special counsel Lanny Davis confirmed the meeting.

"Based upon our records, it appears Mr. Hubbell visited President and Mrs. Clinton during a social weekend at Camp David over the July fourth weekend," Davis said.

"We have no reason to dis-
Internet content must not be censored

The stomach irritation commercial blared, "Product name reduces acid faster than any other relief remedy." Yet, across the bottom of the television screen were words in tiny letters: "That rate of acid reduction does not imply the rate of relief." What was casually said by the announcer actually was true, but had nothing to do with faster relief.

Gary Caruso

Traditionally, such artful writing and cunning delivery have allowed marketing professionals to mislead the public while pulling at the edges of the Bill of Rights which the court should consider. The court should consider policies like the one imposed by Notre Dame on its students which prohibits content contrary to its policy toward the University and the Catholic Church.

 Granted, nudity published in a magazine and sold in a South Bend store may actually fail the "local standards" test in campus. So Notre Dame probably can continue to shut down student home pages as the administration did last year when a graduate student posted previously published nude photographs on the ND server. However, a student who is not Catholic and believes in another religion—or even better, believes in something so diabolically far from Catholic, who lead us in reciting the Lord's Prayer while I feared that I would go to hell for saying the "wrong" prayer. Eight-year-olds tend to make situations more dramatic than they actually are, and I was no exception. However, the fact remained that my right to say my prayer or someone else's right to say no prayer were being violated. The same holds true for expression on a campus that considers itself open to listening to and debate with so-called "outcasts" in open forums while maintaining their confidence and convictions.

Openness is not an admission of acquiescence. Rather, it stimulates thought and conscience. The church leader who respects challenges while teaching probably commands more esteem, and ultimately conformity, from the congregation than the leader who stands on doctrine without at least listening to others.

In our modern society, everyone realizes that a percentage of any church or organization or alumni group will differ from its leaders. Nobody expects Liberty University or Notre Dame or Oral Roberts to graduate class after class of students who all will follow every law every day of their lives. We all hear about the gradu­ ate who got arrested or divorced or fell prey to substance or gambling. It happens, and nobody can blame a church or school for that "bad seed."

If the criminal on television, who expresses his free speech by wearing a Notre Dame Irish sweatshirt, does not reflect poorly on the University, how can one student or alumna whom believes in contraception reflect poorly on the Catholic Church or the University? It happens. Get over it.

Notre Dame should study the Supreme Court's July decision closely, and modify its policy regarding Internet content accordingly. Most church watchers sus­pect that the ban on the Internet's content will be struck down in favor of free speech. It would be a shame if the next case heard was one called "Student v. Notre Dame."

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"Where I was born and where and how I have lived is unimportant. It is what I have done with where I have been that should be of interest."

—Georgia O'Keefe
Playing God: The threat of human cloning

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank you for the small change at 10:30 Mass in the Basilica the last few weeks prior to break. I have noticed that the servers would not stand for the entrance of our president, and for the entrance of any judge, in recognition of the relationship between ourselves and God. It is strange for me to see a society where we recognize God as God, and not man, is the arbiter of when life begins and ends. This requires a reassessment and rejection of contraception.

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Margaret McCarthy, referred to as Peg by her students, will be on hand for the party as well. A constant fixture with the program from the start, she runs the program from Maynooth and also teaches the Irish History class for the American students. Many programmers rate McCarthy’s famous weekend field trips through the countryside of Ireland as some of their favorite memories. Peg herself is a graduate from Saint Mary’s, and this weekend promises to be a homecoming celebration for her on top of the reunion.

"I am looking forward to seeing the taste of Ireland’s mythical beers. “I do miss the beer,” stated Connie Casson, Ireland Program 95-96. “However, I’m hesitant to say that I miss that the most out of everything. I think I miss the sheep more. Or maybe the rain in South Bend.”

Today, volunteers from past years will register the out of town graduates in Haggar Parlor from 4 to 6 p.m. Michelle counts herself a Counselor’s Dessert and Reception in Haggar for all former participants at 8 p.m. No doubt Overdorf will supply a good amount of Irish milk chocolate for all in attendance.

"I am sure sweets will abound at the reception. S h a r i planned a P o w e r Walk from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in a Courtyard to the Gecko on Saturday, from 8 to 9 a.m. The walk, planned "in memory of all the miles you walked in Ireland,” will not be dependent of the weather. "In case of rain, “Shar stated on the schedule, "no change of plans, of course.” In honor of the damp conditions that were faced by all while abroad, the programmers will once again be able to demonstrate their ability to be “wash and wear” Irish.

After the walk, there will be a soccer match held in the field behind Angela. Sports were not a foreign notion to the athletic and unathletic alike, and many of the programmers boast having held a place on Maynooth’s many sports teams. However, unlike the competitions at Saint Patrick’s, there will not be a keg on tap for halftime.

A Gall will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in Carroll Auditorium, where programmers can dance, sing and make merry. The ambience in Carroll promises to rival that of the Student’s Union. Maynooth’s answer to the Senior Bar. After the Coll, Mass will be held in Regina Chapel, followed by a dinner banquet in the lower level of the dining hall at 6:30 p.m. After dinner, participants can settle down with a drink and listen to Irish music at Dalloway’s Coffee House. Overdorf cautious, however, that like life in the Emerald Isle, one must approach the weekend’s plans with an open mind and an easy-going attitude. “As is the fashion of the Irish tradition,” she adds, “all parts of the schedule are subject to change. Even if there was an audience that could understand and heed those words, Saint Mary’s will see them this weekend.”
HOLSTON

After going hitless in his first two innings against Darryl Kile, it looked as if Atlanta would drop to 0-3 this season.

Then Fred McGriff homered, and the Braves finally got going. Kenny Lofton added a pair of doubles, and the Houston Astros 3-2 Thursday night.

McGriff's homer broke up Don Haskins' no-hit bid in the seventh and Jeff Blauser and Keith Lockhart each hit sacrifice flies for the Braves, who will open new Turner Field in Atlanta on Friday night against the Cubs.

Kile, who pitched a no-hitter in 1993, fooled the Braves with a nasty curve ball through the first six innings and was bidding with what could have been the earliest home run in Atlanta.

But McGriff ended any thoughts of that by hitting a 2- fastball over the fence to bring Atlanta within two.

The Braves then scored two runs in the eighth. The Thrashers scored two runs in the eight, and didn't record a strikeout, and didn't record a strikeout, the inning and was replaced by Dan Naulty got the final out for Atlanta.

Walker, a fielder's choice in deep left center. Young winner John Smoltz and Greg Maddux couldn't do the same.

Mark Wohlers struck out the first two Atlanta batters for the save as the Braves won for the first time since taking the lead in the World Series last October against the New York Yankees.

Kile allowed just two hits in eight innings with seven strikeouts and two walks. He struck out five over the first three innings and didn't allow a base hit until Kenny Lofton walked to open the fifth. Kile finished seven straight without giving Glavine one out with the score tied.

Houston took a 2-0 lead in the fifth inning on an error with one out and the Twins' sacrifice fly and Derek Bell's RBI single.

Dodgers 2, Phillies 1

LOS ANGELES

Mike Piazza homered and Todd Hollandsworth had a double in a 2-1 win over Philadelphia.

Valdes and the Los Angeles Dodgers at 2-1 in the ninth inning. Valdes pitched the sixth with the Philadelphia Phillies opened with the first and lost to Hollandsworth doubled in the go-ahead run off Loser Mark Little.

Vadala, who was 2-3 with an ERA of 3.36 in 21-23 innings this spring, walked one and struck out four before being relieved by Scott Radinsky to start the eighth.

Darryl Hall relieved Radinsky with a runner on first and two outs and walked pinch hitter Rene Lachemann before Mark Guthrie came on and held Seattle to a third strike this past Darren Daulton to end the eighth.

Terry Farrell then balled the Phillies in the ninth for his first save. He had 44 last season.

Tigers are still without heat

MINNEAPOLIS - Career hit No. 2,647 was all that almost none that had come before for Paul Molitor. It also helped make career appearance No. 1 memorable for Todd Ritchie.

Molitor hit his third career grand slam and Matt Lawton added a two-run double as the seven-run second inning as the Minnesota Twins beat Detroit 10-4 Thursday night for a season-opening three-game sweep. The loss spoiled Netherlands' first win in the majors.

It's good to be part of something like that," said Ritchie, who was out of options but surprised the Twins with an excellent spring. "They'll remember him getting that grand slam, and I pitched in that game. It's good like that.

With parents Bennett and Betty watching from behind home plate, Ritchie replaced starter Scott Abdulli to start the fourth inning with one out. He started out seven batters and allowed only one hit over the next three innings.

"I was real nervous after the two batters," Ritchie admitted. "I didn't get it yet, but it wasn't what I pictured. But I stayed calm and threw strikes.

"I was throwing strikes. The Twins' first-round draft pick in 1990, the 12th pick overall. He was slowed by a shoulder injury. But he had a strong spring. "They'll remember

Jim Leyland, the Twins' first manager, said Tuesday that he was concerned that the Twins were too slow to get ready for the season. "I'm not sure what we wanted.

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Associated Press

MIAMI

Alex Fernandez made a victorious return to his hometown for his hometown team and Jeff Conine hit a first-inning grand slam as the Florida Marlins beat the Chicago Cubs 8-2 Thursday night for a season-opening three-game sweep.

The Cubs' woes were compounded when Mark Grace limped out of the game in the sixth inning with a strained right hamstring. Grace, who pulled up running out a triple, was off a 5-for-10 start.

Fernandez allowed one run and five hits in 6 2-3 innings, retiring 12 in a row at one point. The Miami native signed a $35 million, five-year contract in December after seven seasons with the Chicago White Sox.

Florida officials had hoped for a sellout with the local hero pitching, but the crowd of 32,992 was nearly 10,000 below capacity. Fans gave Fernandez a standing ovation when he left in the seventh.

The inning ended with Florida second baseman Luis Castillo robbing the Cubs of a run. He threw out Frank Castillo from the grass behind second base on a grounder, stranding Ori at third.

Sheffield made three difficult catches in right field. Florida added three runs in the eighth against Mel Rojas, making his Cubs debut. After Rojas loaded the bases, Sheffield was hit by a pitch. Robby Bojolla walked and Abreu drove in a run with a groundout.

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A Short Time Ago

The Question Was

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Hey Irish fans: Wake up! Women got game too

Well, it is time to wake up! The women’s programs have qualified us to ranked sixth overall in the Sears Director’s Cup, a program which rates schools on overall athletic achievement.

All in all, there are 10 sports in which ND competes in both women’s and men’s athletics. Up to now, the women have done better or equalled the men in four of seven events.

A reason given for the lack of interest in women’s athletics is that the women’s games are not exciting. Let’s examine three sports which are considered exciting to watch: soccer, basketball, and lacrosse.

This year for the third straight year, the women’s soccer team made it to the NCAA championship game. Meanwhile, the men’s team exceeded all expectations, won the Big East and made it to the Big East championship game.

Overall, the men scored 33 goals and had 32 assists for the year. That total is only seven goals more than All-American senior Cindy Daws scored the whole year, while junior Holly Manthei assisted on 44 of the team’s 140 goals (four times as many as the men). On defense the men gave up one more goal in fewer games than the women (18-17). If watching a team that scores nearly six goals per game while allowing less than one doesn’t excite you, you might as well stand outside Notre Dame stadium and watch them build it.

Next is basketball. For the first time in five years, both teams finished above .500, but no one saw a women’s team that was consistently ranked throughout the year. The women would routinely pour in 75 points while allowing only 63. On the other hand, the men averaged 71 with other team’s scoring 70 per game.

This year, due to Title IX, a new sport has joined the NCAA athletic program: women’s lacrosse. One result of the birth of this new sport is more scholarship funds for the women’s team. Meanwhile, P.E. and Dillan will address that issue in a future column.

Our own sports staff is also at fault. Recently the women’s swimming team sent three members to Indianapolis for the NCAA championships, one of which was freshman swimmer Shannon Siddarth. Throughout the year, Shannon had established herself as one of the top breaststokers in the Big East, even setting a new Notre Dame record at the Big East championships. But, when the story was finally printed it said Shannon competed in the backstroke.

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Answer these questions before reading:

1. Name the five starters on the women’s basketball team.
2. Name eight of the 11 starters on the woman’s soccer team.

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as expected. The Irish exploded for 9 runs in a three-inning stretch to go up 11-4.

The bashing blitzkrieg included a home run by Amrhein, who had hit in 25 of 26 games, another long-distance smash by Jeff Wagner, and three triples. Notre Dame leads the Big East bag snags.

Ironically, the injury-peeked Scholl banged up his shoulder on one of the threeing stagings.

"The guy was on the left side of the batters and I tried to slide around him," the first baseman recalled. "I kind of fell on it the wrong way."

It was the second time Scholl has dislocated his left shoulder, and he is expected to heal in a week.

The night-capper started nearly perfectly for Notre Dame. Freshman starter Tim Kalita started and startled onlookers by dissipating pitch after pitch past his enemies.

Suddenly, after two innings, Kalita had struck out five of the first six batters he faced. Kalita’s victims were doused graciously with “Another One Bites the Dust,” courtesy of the Notre Dame press box.

But a sixth inning, one-out, two-run triple throttled the youngster, and he soon was replaced with fellow freshman Scott Cavey. Cavey himself put on a brief show, recording two strikeouts in 1.2 innings.

Dawn 2-0, the Irish offense ignited — for a moment. A two-out single by Wagner hampered home Randall Brooks, who had taken a free pass earlier.

The last inning was one of torture for Notre Dame. Allen Green walked on four pitches. Dan Leatherman airballed a hunt down the right side and beat the throw to first. Next, on a 3-2 count, Perconte was caught looking on a pitch that appeared to be high.

Coach Mainieri bolted from the dugout and exerted the umption for the call. rowdy fans began yelling and taunting in disapproval. And so the tense was set for the brief conclusion. J.J. Brock, who went 3-for-3 in game one, filled to center, and Pat O’Keefe was caught looking to end the game, a fitting description of the Irish season thus far.

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APPLICATIONS and further information are available outside Professor O’Connor’s office, 307 Decio. The application deadline is April 9. You may also apply electronically. Simply send Professor O’Connor an e-mail message, subject “PPE application,” with the following information: name, address, telephone, e-mail, year you are in, expected major, courses you have taken in philosophy, government, and economics, your GPA, and a statement of no more than 300 words of why you are interested in PPE and why PPE should be interested in you. Acceptances will be announced April 10.
SOFTBALL

Irish ready for home cooking after being swept

By ALLISON KRILLA

A streaking Irish softball team strolled into West Lafayette, Ind., only to be steamrolled by the Purdue Boilermakers in a doubleheader yesterday afternoon.

"Today we left a lot of baserunners on," said Meghan Murray. "We hit the ball well until we had a few runners on base, and then our bats were silenced."

In the first game, the Boilermakers jumped out to an early 2-0 lead until the Irish got on the board with one run in the fourth inning. Behind the pitching of Jenny Deno and Sheryl Scheve, Purdue made the early lead stand up for a 4-2 victory. Angela Bessolo took the loss, giving up five hits and two runs in two innings before Joy Battersby came on in relief, pitching four innings and giving up three hits and two runs.

"Purdue is a really aggressive team," said Murray. "If (our pitchers) got behind (in the count), they were going to come out swinging. The timeliness of their hits made the difference."

Despite two Purdue errors, the Irish fell 3-0 to the Boilermakers, being shutout for the sixth time this spring.

Meghan Murray led the team at the plate again, going 2-3 in a losing effort. Today the Irish play host to Big East rival Boston College in their 1997 home opener. Murray emphasized the team's positive outlook toward these games.

"We're pretty excited to finally open the season at our home field," said Murray. Irish are 6-2 in home-opening games and they have an all-time record of 105-35-2 in Ivy Field's friendly confines. Boston College brings a 13-3 record into today's match-up, and boasts two-time Big East pitcher of the week Mary Dietz.

"We know that (Boston College) is stronger than they were last year," said Murray. "We have to focus on doing whatever it takes to win."

On Sunday, the Irish host another cross division Big East rival, when Providence Lady Friars come to town for a doubleheader at 11 a.m. In 1996, the Irish defeated the Lady Friars three times, including a 3-2 thriller in the Big East Conference championships. With four Big East games on the line, the Irish hope to come out swinging, putting on an impressive show for the home-town crowd.
Pittsburgh to play Duquesne and Davidson. On Saturday, Notre Dame beat Duquesne 15-4. Balanced scoring from the Irish offense was the key as seven different players cashed in goals in the first half. The Irish were paced by the three goals of Cara Buchanan and two assists from Tara Pierce as they led 11-2 at intermission. Kerry Callahan sparked the team in the second half with two assists in the first eight minutes of play. The defense also contributed to the domination over Duquesne as goalies Catherine Simmons and Beth Murray combined for six saves. Even though the defense has been impressive, the high-powered Irish offense has been the story of the season.

Who would have thought that after the game against Duquesne, the Notre Dame women's lacrosse team would lead the nation in scoring? But this was indeed the case, and it was certainly no a small feat for a team in its first year of competition. Last Monday, Notre Dame completed its Pittsburgh excursion against Davidson. Cara Buchanan again led the Irish with three goals in the first half, but she was the lone bright spot for Notre Dame offense. Davidson stymied the Irish offense has been the highest scoring team in the nation and went on to win 21-8. "We were not mentally prepared to play Davidson. We came out flat. The reason we lost was that our shot placement was off, which we feel will be corrected in the Ohio State game," said captain Tara Pierce.

Proud and prepared, the women's lacrosse team is ready for the fast-paced Buckeyes.

Eileen Regan and her teammates are expecting a competitive match from their rivals OSU.
Bookstore Basketball is just around the corner

By BETSY BAKER
Assistant Sports Editor

In case you haven't been outside or looked out the window lately, I'll let you in on something — the weather is getting better.

And if you haven't walked by one of the many asphalt basketball courts that decorate this campus, then you probably haven't noticed that the normal "go out and shoot some hoops" games have turned into intense training matches.

And in case you've never been at Notre Dame in the spring or are just utterly clueless as to the events that ensure, I'll help you figure it out.

Bookstore Basketball is coming.

The top 32 teams have been chosen and the schedule is set. The 26th running of the event that makes spring at Notre Dame famous will begin next Wednesday, and campus is ready.

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The asphalt courts on campus have just begun to see some of the action they will host this season.

Reclaiming Human Sexuality

The Contemporary Challenge

Fran Ferder and John Heagle

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Chapel of the Holy Cross
Keenan–Stanford Hall
7–8:30 pm

Each session will include an experience of prayer, presentation by the speakers and refreshments.

Students are welcome to attend all three sessions — or as many of the three as they can.

Keeping Faith

Sunday, April 6 • 7–8:30 pm
Doing Justice: Sexuality and Power
The missing dimension in much of the debate surrounding sexuality today is the issue of relationships and power. Biblical justice is the call to reverence the sacredness of relationships in the spirit of Christian love.

Monday, April 7 • 7–8:30 pm
Making Love: Sexuality and Intimacy
Contemporary culture tends to reduce sexuality to sex. It misses the shared call to "make love" in more inclusive ways through friendship, honesty and generous service.

Wednesday, April 9 • 7–8:30 pm
Giving Life: Sexuality and Generativity
Every human being is an imago Dei — an icon of the divine. Thus each of us, whether single or married, young or old, gay or straight, is invited to respond to God's invitation to "increase and multiply" — to give life to humanity and the world.
Irish look to take advantage of rare home meet

By WILLY BAUER

Notre Dame's outdoor track team put the recent Easter holiday to good use by posting solid results at the Purdue Open and the Baldy Castillo Invitational. Now, they prepare to host Butler and Miami of Ohio.

The Irish dominated the standings at the Purdue Open. The meet, a combination of collegiate and professional field event participants, had 13 Irish qualify in the top five in various events.

Errol Williams arguably had the team's best day as he won the 110-meter hurdles in a time of 14.16. Nadia Schmiedt was the woman's team top runner; finishing first among collegiate runners in the 400-meter hurdles, posting a time of 59.98, and fourth in the 100-meter hurdles, with a time of 14.91.

The Irish women did very well in the 5,000-meter run with Kelly Peterson and Emily Dobbs finishing in third and fourth place respectively.

At the Baldy Invitational in Tempe, Arizona, Jennifer Engelhardt and Jeff Hojnacki stole the show. Engelhardt established the school record in the high jump, with a leap of 5 feet, 10 inches. The indoor All-American has already provisionally qualified for the NCAA championships, the first week of June.

Hojnacki, also an All-American for the indoor season, qualified for the NCAA championships, as he won the 800-meter race in Arizona. His time of 1:48.97 was the fastest Notre Dame time in over 10 years. The Irish host its only meet of the season this weekend at the Monogram Track. Butler and Miami of Ohio will make the trek to South Bend for the meet.

Many Irish participants from last year will be looking to improve their previous performances.

Last year, Mike Brown finished in second place with a pole vault of 15-6. He bettered that mark last weekend at the Purdue Open with a vault of 16-11 1/2, which established a new school record. The former record holder, Dave Gerrity, won the meet last season, setting up an rivalry.

Williams, 100-meter hurdles, and Hojnacki, 800-meters, won their events last year, but have shaved a significant amount of time off last year's times. Hojnacki's time last weekend was four seconds faster than where he was at last year, and Williams has improved by 15-hundredths of a second.

For the women, their 4x400-meter relay team was second at the Purdue Open with a time of 4:07.87. Last year's version was three seconds slower than this year's at this point of the season.

Schmiedt is also another Irish runner who has improved drastically over last season. Her time at the Notre Dame meet last year is 15-hundredths of a second slower than she was last weekend in the 100-meter hurdles.
Choose Your Own Adventure

Who will follow in the path of Dave Kellett and Ed Leader as the next cartoonist for The Observer? Each of these candidates has his eye set on being the next. And the decision is up to you.

That's right: your vote will determine which comic strip appears in The Observer.

This week we continue our contest to find the next cartoonist. The ballots for voting will appear below this week. Clip, snip or rip them out during lunch and put them in the ballot boxes located next to the doors as you leave the dining hall. Ballots can also be dropped off at The Observer, 314 LaFortune.

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Attention to All Urban Plunge Participants

Your friends and favorite campus bands at the ShamROCK Greenfest • Recyclin' Irish!

Take a Hike in the sand at the Indiana Dunes State Park meet at 12pm Library Circle

Earth WEEK '97 April 6 to April 13
Plant a Tree WITH Students for Environmental Action Last year we planted over 3,000 trees in the South Bend community
Volunteer to help recycle Irish April 7-10 from 9-5 daily Recycle on Campus Call Sheila at 1-5615 (Building Services)

Learn about Companies who Care at the 1st Annual Environmental Career Fair April 10 from 12-4PM Center for Social Concerns Organized by the Terra Club

Discuss Air Pollution Policy WITH local officials and the Environmental Law Society April 10 from 3-4:30PM room 121 Law School

Clean up Campus especially around the lakes, with Irish Outdoors April 12 from 12-1PM Fieldhouse Mall the stoners and birds will thank you later

Tie-Dye, Sing & Dance from 1-5PM Fieldhouse Mall Saturday, April 12 with your friends and favorite campus bands at the ShamROCK Greenfest (Recycle Irish)

Listen to Fr. Hesburgh Mass at 5PM The Grotto Saturday, April 12 hear the call to be a steward for the earth, (20A)

Join Irish Outdoors Sunday, April 13 Take a Hike in the sand at the Indiana Dunes State Park meet at 12pm Library Circle

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New system, coaches, players spring into action

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Assistant Sports Editor

Seniors graduate, starters go down with injuries, coaches are replaced, and blue chip recruits are a thing of the past. Now that first-year head coach Bob Davie and his staff have completed the first phase of the coaching season — recruiting — with relative success, the time has come to begin to adapt to all of those inevitable off-season changes. It is time for spring practice.

Many transitions that the 1997 Irish have to make consist of self-imposed alterations in style and coaching philosophy. In no area will this be more apparent than in the new-look attack. Luhrs will be a key to that change is the positioning of the offensive line. The guards and tackles will no longer play on a particular side (right or left) of the line. These linemen will flip-flop, depending on the formation.

"We have a strong guard and a strong tackle who are always with the tight end," explained Coletto, "and we have a quick guard and a quick tackle who are away from the tight end." Coletto used this system in Purdue and, based on his experience and what he has seen so far from the Irish line, he believes that the adjustment will come with time.

"For some of them (the linemen), it's real easy and for others it's maybe a little more difficult," Coletto observed. "They're all pretty good athletes and it's just matter of getting used to doing it."

According to Coletto, the starting line will almost certainly include the three fifth-year seniors Mike Doughty, Chris Clevenger, and Rich Kaczynski. Doughty will most likely play tackle on the strong side with junior Mike Rosenthal, who should start at guard. Kaczynski will return, and his backup from shoulder surgery continues to be a question mark.

Junior Tim Ridder figures to see significant time at either strong or quick guard, depending on Rosenthal's ability to return very soon. Clevenger is expected to line up next to Ridder at the quick tackle position. Kaczynski will return to his familiar role as center. Coletto hopes to get additional work out of veteran guard and a quick tackle who are always with the tight end."

The offensive line changes will allow Irish to showcase a wide range of formations, which will be intended to keep opposing defenses off balance. "We're going to try to do a variety of things from a number of different sets," Coletto stated. "We'll try to just not be very predictable and hopefully develop a good, sound drop-back passing game."

"My two biggest goals this spring, definitely, is going to get it."

"The first change is in the offensive scheme in which the running backs will play a variety of roles, the wide outs will be given more touches, and quarterback Ron Powlus will be allowed to showcase his talents. Specifically, Coletto plans to utilize his fullbacks to balance the Notre Dame."

"The fullback here is going to catch the ball and he's going to run the ball. Coletto said. "He's going to be a balanced deal."

After a practice Thursday.

"You can't just say the fullback is going to get it."

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**Men's Lacrosse**

Men's squad looks to rise to the occasion

**Hofstra presents challenge and opportunity**

By CHARLEY GATES

"Huge" is the word Notre Dame men's lacrosse head coach Kevin Corrigan and several prominent players independently used to describe this afternoon's contest against visiting Hofstra, the fourth-ranked team in the nation.

"This is just a great opportunity for us," Corrigan remarked. "We have the fourth-ranked team in the country coming to play at our home field. It's really a privilege to play them—they're among the best teams in the country. We'll finally see where we fit in the national picture.

"It's a bit odd," All-American midfielder Jimmy Keenan said. "Prior to the season, we didn't think that Hofstra would be as good as they are—we certainly didn't think that they would be as highly ranked as they are. But they have played extremely well and the game will be a big challenge for us."

The Irish, currently 4-1 and ranked 14th in the country, are coming off a 10-9 overtime victory over visiting Hobart on Saturday afternoon.

"That was a good game for us," Corrigan stated. "But we're going to need to step up and respond to Friday's challenge."

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**Baseball**

Team takes hits in split

By T. RYAN KENNEDY

The cliche, "the luck of the Irish," reverberates frequently around these halls and is overused to attribute some transcendental cause for an Irish victory.

Not with Irish Baseball though. Not yet yesterday. After claiming the first game, 12-7, Notre Dame's offense sputtered in a 2-1 loss to Wisconsin-Milwaukee, a team which stands 6-20 on the season.

As the afternoon progressed, Justin Schull dislocated his shoulder on a slide into third base in game one.

Mike Amrhein's 21-game hit streak ended in the nightcap.

The plate umpire was out to lunch on a pivotal third-strike call on Jeff Perconti.

"The ambiance of the Notre Dame locker room was an eight on the grim scale of 10," senior paddler Tony Pierce and Eileen Regan, set at the beginning of the year was an unblemished record. This is the last home game of the year for the Irish, and with a win they will complete their first season as a varsity sport with an undefeated record at home.

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**Women's Lacrosse**

Irish aim to finish with perfection

By FRED CHIU

This Sunday at 12 p.m. at Moose Krause Stadium, the Notre Dame women's lacrosse team will try to improve its 5-2 record against Ohio State. This is the last home game of the year for the Irish, and with a win they will complete their first season as a varsity sport with an undefeated record at home.

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Another reason that the stakes for this game are high is that the Irish do not want to lose back-to-back games. The squad dropped its last game to Davidson over Easter break.

After their only other loss, Corrigan stated. "They play differently every day and respond to Friday's challenge." The team is not making any drastic changes in preparation for tomorrow's contest.

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