Members call for drug test guidelines, financial info

By KYLIE ANDREWS
New Writer

The Faculty Senate passed resolutions Wednesday regarding faculty drug testing, the Honor Code and the April Accord, a letter from the provost informing faculty of the University's financial situation.

Faculty drug testing has been taking place without a written policy that outlines the University's rules and regulations. A desire was expressed for the establishment of written guidelines that not only spell out the University rules, but take into account the ethical dimensions of the matter.

The resolution, which will be sent to University president Father Edward Malloy, will request the establishment of a committee to begin work on forming a policy.

Many senate members expressed concern over the present system and its lack of guidelines. In addition, the question was raised as to the definition of a drug and which would be included in the policy. The resolution was passed unanimously.

The next resolution, also unanimously approved, regarded the revision of the honor code. The members of the Academic Affairs committee said the responsibilities of students and faculty needed to be better explained, in an effort to capture the spirit of the University.

The concept of teamwork that the University embraces is absent from the present document, senators said. In addition, the committee said the Honor Code needed to be made more accessible, in order to allow students and faculty to work together more easily.

The passed resolution was to endorse the idea of a revision and send the proposal to the academic council for consideration. The final resolution passed was in reference to the annual letter required of the provost to inform faculty of the University's financial situation, otherwise known as the April Accord.

The provost will write an annual letter to the faculty that will spell out the state of the University's financial situation, according to Malloy. If the exodus continues at its current rate, the province will be empty by the end of the month, he said.

This exodus will have a serious impact on neighboring countries, especially Albania and Macedonia, Loescher predicted.

"This crisis has seriously destabilized these countries," he said. "Albania will suffer economically, while Macedonia will face a serious challenge to its carefully balanced ethnic stability."

"The ethnic composition of the state is very important to its stability," he said. "The influx of 125,000 ethnic Albanians in several weeks has started to destabilize the coalition government."

Moreover, Loescher said, Serbian president Slobodan Milosevic intends his ethnic cleansing program to upset nearby states.

"We're talking about a systematic effort to depopulate a country of 90 percent of its people. That's the goal of the Serb leadership," he said. "It is also a goal of the Serb leadership to destabilize neighboring countries."

"It is clear that the refugee crisis has quickly dwarfed the political and military aspects of the Kosovo crisis," said Loescher. "This situation is going to provide a serious challenge to the fundamental financial decisions that affect the Faculty Senate's resolution, which passed unanimously, was intended to express the Faculty Senate's "disappointment and displeasure with the provost's failure in this regard."

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The Faculty Senate debated resolutions dealing with the Faculty Senate's financial situation.
The unexpected joy of rejection

Earlier this semester I received my first rejection letter. The summer TA position I applied for is the only job I have ever been refused and, it stung. So I sat and cursing the injustice of it all until I received a phone call from my closest childhood buddy telling me she had finally broken up with her abusive boyfriend. We worked together in the dorms and her and my friendship truly suffered because of this guy. But with the whole summer to hang out so we’ll be speaking more often again. This would not have been possible had I gotten the teaching assistant position.

A good friend of mine also got rejected from a summer internship she really wanted, and I’m sure she’s one of the few seniors who don’t even want to talk about ‘what they’re doing after graduation’ because they don’t know or have been rejected. Good life is full of twists and turns. Unexpected rejection often becomes the most precious blessings. You never know who’s going to walk in — or out — of your life or what opportunities are waiting just around the corner.

I have always been so frustrated with the admissions process and interview is strictly for internships. You miss out on so much with that kind of mentality. So you didn’t get the internship. Of course, the usual, I failed Travel, volunteer, wait tables. Or just call the temp agency. If you fear failure you never learn. Both are valuable lessons about what we think we’re supposed to be doing with our lives and puts into perspective what really matters this summer.

After awhile you learn the subtle differences Between holding hands and chaining a soul. And you learn that love doesn’t mean leaning And company doesn’t mean security. And you learn that kisses aren’t contracts And promises aren’t promises. And you begin to accept your defeats With your head up and your eyes ahead. With the grace of a woman or a man. Not the grief of a child. And you begin to build your roads on today Because tomorrow’s ground is too uncertain for plans and you have a way of falling down in mid-flight.

After awhile you learn that every sunshine born of Silicon is not for the plant. So you plant your own garden and decorate your own soul. And you know that waiting for someone to bring you flowers. And you know that you are strong. That you really can endure. That you really do have worth. And you learn. And you learn. So when you walk To the edge of the light that you have And you take that step Into the darkness of the unknown You must believe. That one of two things will happen. Either there will be something solid for you to stand on. Or God will teach you to fly.

Students fear military involvement

With the United States’ increasing military involvement in Kosovo, several students serving in reserve units are concerned about what would happen to them academically if they are called into action. Reserve units are called into action on a situational basis, said Lt. Col. Paul Schwaunenberger, commander of the Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) at OU. In the Vietnam War, the reserve units were not called until the active forces were depleted. But every situation will be different and will dictate the type of unit required, he said. “I am very concerned about it and graduating at the end of the quarter,” said Shannon Bibbee, vice president of OU’s Student Senate and member of the Army Reserves. Bibbee’s concerns center on the question of financial aid. If called into active duty and forced to withdraw for the spring quarter, Bibbee could not apply for financial aid for fall quarter because it would be too late which would cost him money for using taken classes.

Students offer aid to refugees

The crisis in Kosovo is a dire situation, but many organizations are rising to the challenge of easing the pain of the refugees through the Church World Service, said Priscilla McCarty, church secretary. The Church World Service has been helping refugees by donating time and supplies to the cause. Organizations are rising to the challenge of easing the pain of the refugees in Montenegro, and they have a need for basic supplies. Area churches, such as the State College Presbyterian Church, are asking parishioners to donate money to the Kosovo refugees. Students can send funds to specific areas such as Kosovo if they indicate where their funds are to be used.
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Student Senate

New members elect their CLC, FMB reps

By FINN PRESSLY
Assistant News Editor

After pledging to defend the Student Union constitution Wednesday, the Student Senate began its first meeting of the new term.

On the agenda was election of senators to represent the group on the Campus Life Council and the Financial Management Board.

"I've seen three Campus Life Councils, and I haven't seen it effectively used," said former CLC member and current student government chief of staff Matt Mamak.

Keough senator Brian O'Donoghue was re-elected to the CLC. The senate also elected Fisher senator Philip Dittmar and Cavanaugh senator Bridget Toomey. Sorin senator Cimarron Gilson will serve as alternate member.

Representatives for the Financial Management Board were also elected. The Senate chose Morrissey representative Patrick Kelly and Keenan senator Matthew Kloser, while St. Edward's senator Paul Sladek will serve as alternate.

The senate also discussed a resolution regarding dividing the Residence Life committee into two separate committees. "It's large and encompasses a whole bunch of things that need to be looked at in depth," said off-campus senator Patrick Foy, speaking in favor of the measure. Foy is beginning his second term in the senate.

In a straw poll, the senate approved the resolution with just one dissenting vote. An official vote on the matter will be held next week.

The senate was also presented with the nominations for a number of positions. Former student body vice-president Andrea Selak was nominated for the position of academic delegate, while Mamak was nominated for chief of staff, as well as Stephen Sanchez for parliamentary and Luciana Reali for Student Union secretary.

Judicial Council president Kelly Folks also presented her nominations for three vacant seats on Judicial Council: Rebecca Demko for vice-president of elections and Shannon Grady, Angela Galui and Anthony Wagner for co-vice-presidents of advocacy. Grady will serve in Wagner's place while he is abroad in the fall.

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At some point NATO ground forces will have to be used, either to end the fighting or to preserve the peace, Dowty said. "This is going to lead inevitably to the use of ground troops," he said. "There are things you can do with air power and things you can't do just with a i.e. power."

NATO’s military action against Serbia, as a response for its treatment of its civilian population, marks a departure from traditional international law policy that respects national sovereignty as inviolate, according to Dowty. "In practice and, to a great extent, in theory, the absolute inviolability of sovereign territory no longer exists," Dowty said. "When a case comes along and there is a will, that doesn’t make it wrong because it’s consensual."

The Russian response to the bombing has raised significant concerns in the international community. Russia’s unprovoked reaction in this case has been especially pronounced because of the close ethnic relationship between Russians and Serbs, according to Merritt. "Here is a reminder that Slavic peoples are not being treated in the same way with this loss of ability over lands which they consider sovereign."

Merritt said the Russian reaction to Kosovo, which has included protests at NATO embassies and even attempted violence against the U.S. embassy in Moscow, is the most severe response to any American action in two decades. She accounts this both to the close relationship Russia has with the Serbs and frustration with the nation’s loss of influence in the international community.

"The U.S. will be held accountable in the eyes of many Russians," Merritt said. She also noted that the nation’s lower house of parliament, the Duma, has reacted fiercely against NATO bombing. The Duma is a stronghold of Russian nationalism.

"This is a political gold mine for the nationalists," she said. "Everything they said would happen if they let the U.S. get the upper hand is happening."

Still, Merritt said, there is little Russia can do to help the Serbs because of the nation’s economic political difficulties. "Russia knows she’s relatively powerless to effect this. Escalating rhetoric followed by no action would make them look bad," she said. "They’ve made a very careful jab, and then with­draw.'"

The Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and the Kellogg Institute for International Studies sponsored the panel discussion.

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**White House receives bomb threat**

WASHINGTON Secret Service officers swept through the West Wing of the White House with bomb-sniffing dogs on Wednesday after a threatening telephone call. Administration officials and aides working in the wing, as well as journalists in the press room, were forced to leave their offices to allow the dogs to pass through. Chaim Yoant, a spokesman for the Secret Service, said it was a "routine sweep following a suspicious call." She called the call "threatening in nature." White House officials declined to say whether the threat interrupted President Clinton's day.

**Women charged with abusing disabled roommate**

PASSAIC, N.J. Two women were charged with keeping their 25-year-old, hearing disabled roommate handcuffed to a bathroom door and torturing her with belts and pipes. Nancy Gutshmidt told investigators the handcuffing lasted for weeks and she was released only twice a day to eat. She said she had been burned with hot spoons, beaten with a wooden chair leg, a piece of metal pipe, and a billy club according to the police report. Lisa Geer and Minnie Lowic, both 25, were arrested and remain in jail in lieu of $100,000 bond each. They face charges of aggravated assault, weapons possession and making terrorist threats. Geer also faces theft charges of allegedly stealing $652 from Gulschmidt.

**YUGOSLAVIA**

**Kosovo borders close, trap refugees**

Belgrade, Yugoslavia Yugoslov authorities sealed off Kosovo’s main border crossings Wednesday in an effort to prevent the ethnic Albanians from leaving as the wave of refugees approached the half-million mark. As NATO stepped up its air strikes, a Croat militant sought freedom for three captured U.S. soldiers. Two loud explosions could be heard near mid night Wednesday in the center of Belgrade, and smoke could be seen rising in the direction of the army barracks. A local resident, reached by telephone, said an army building near the headquarters was hit in a densely populated area.

**Amnesty accuses U.S. of abuses**

**GENEVA**

Human rights watchdog Amnesty International showcased an alleged victim of American police brutality Wednesday in an effort to strengthen its campaign against abuses in the United States.

Accusing the United States of "police brutality and widespread human rights violations," Amnesty has mounted a high-profile campaign to get the United States Human Rights Commission to censure the Americans at its six week annual session.

Shirley Alejo, a U.S. citizen of Filipino origin, recounted her ordeal at the hands of Chicago police in 1993. Alejo said she was coming home from church one night with her children, when she was stopped by police, thought she was a teenager violating a curfew. When she tried to explain, police arrested her and took her to the station where they questioned her and began beating her.

"When they didn’t like my answers they hit me," said Alejo, a 92-pound mother of five. "I was taken into a separate room and three police officers came in and started beating me."

Alejo said she was kept in a cell overnight and sent to a hospital the next day. She had a broken leg, two black eyes and bruises all over her body. She added that her family was still being harassed by the police.

Amnesty is citing police brutality as one of the key human rights violations in the United States. The country’s justice and penal system also have glaring shortcomings according to Amnesty’s Secretary general Pierre Sane. The U.S. delegation refused the criticism.

“We disagree strongly that civil and human rights violations in the United States are persistent, widespread or, indeed, the US is in any way guilty of such crimes,” said the official.

Despite the international trend toward abolishing the death penalty, more than 350 prisoners had been executed in the United States since 1990 with another 3,500 on death row, Sane said.

**SWITZERLAND**

Vienneau of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, which has been monitoring the situation. Scharring said Yugoslov forces had begun forcing ethnic Albanians back from the borders of the province. He showed aerial photographs that he said showed Serb tanks surround- ing a Kosovo village, separating the men and women, and then opening fire on homes.

The former president of Cyprus, Spyros Kyprianou, has been repeat­ ing the Yugoslav border with Macedonia on March 31. Cyprus, which is an EU member, has histori­ cally had close ties with Yugoslavia.

Kosovo flew to Athens, where he said he was "waiting for the green light from Belgrade" before going to Yugoslavia on Thursday. He said he believed the release of the soldier was immedi­ ate.

Sandy Berger, President Clinton’s national security adviser, spoke with the group about the mission but said, "We certi­ ficate mechanisms in place for possible -let’s say- shortfalls in the mission come any release."

Another nightmare was brewing for the thousands of Kosovo refugees who had made it across into neighboring Macedonia on Saturday but were being trapped for days in squalid conditions.

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Cyprus legislator may broker deal for GIs

Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece — The speaker of the Cypriot parliament claimed he was close to winning the freedom today of three American soldiers captured by Yugoslavia. The United States could not confirm a deal.

Spyros Kyprianou arrived in Athens, Greece, today en route to the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade to meet with Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic. Yugoslavia’s government did not comment on the deal.

“The exchanges have been very constructive so far and the indications are that this mission will succeed,” Kyprianou told reporters. “I am confident about it.”

Kyprianou said he was likely to spend the night in Athens — “wailing for the green light from Belgrade” — before going to Yugoslavia on Thursday.

Cyprus’ ambassador to the United States, Erato Kozakou-Marcoullis, said Kyprianou was approached by the Yugoslav ambassador in Nicosia and informed that Yugoslavia was willing to turn over the three soldiers with no conditions attached.

The Clinton administration was restrained in its reaction.

Before traveling to Belgrade, Kyprianou said he also wanted to confer with Greek Deputy Foreign Minister Yannis Kritidis, who had met earlier this week near the Yugoslav-Macedonian border.

Stone’s family said they had been notified by the Pentagon of Cypru’s efforts.

“I am doing the best I can for the situation,” Stone’s wife, Tricia, said on NBC’s “Today” show this morning. “And I’m trying to be very strong.”

If the release is secured, Kyprianou was to bring the three back to Cyprus and hand them over to U.S. officials there.

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Milosevic may be looking for a way out, experts say

Belgrade, Yugoslavia

A unilateral cease-fire, a possible willingness to release three captured U.S. soldiers, President Slobodan Milosevic may be looking for a way out in his confrontation with NATO over Kosovo.

And there are signs the people of Serbia may welcome a compromise with the enemy after two weeks of air strikes.

“Clearly [Milosevic] miscalculated his options and realized that this has been going on too long,” Belgrade journalist Dusan Rudaonic said.

In particular, the cease-fire, announced Tuesday, may be an attempt by the Yugoslav leader to head off any effort by the NATO allies to send in ground troops to bring an end to the conflict that has forced hundreds of thousands of ethnic Albanians out of Kosovo.

“Milosevic is fast approaching a point where getting some kind of negotiations are in his interest in order to halt the bombings and to forestall the decision to introduce ground forces,” said Ivo Daalder, a former Clinton administration official now with the Brookings Institution in Washington.

“Milosevic can survive a prolonged aerial war and proclaim victory in the end, but he cannot survive the introduction of ground forces,” he said.

But it’s also possible that the cease-fire was an attempt by the Yugoslav leader to play to the home audience — making an offer he knew would be refused so he could continue to portray NATO as a demonic force bent on destroying Serbia.

“We offer a cease-fire, and they continue bombing,” fumed Milovan Djilas, a Serb refugee from another Balkan war. “There is no backing off now!”

Anthony Cordesman, a professor of national security at Georgetown University in Washington, said Milosevic looked to be trying in “improve the very negative image of Serbo-aggressors in the West.”

“Dealing humanely with the POWs is one way, as is opening up negotiations . . . His best strategy is to hope that these moves will weaken NATO’s resolve,” he said.

But are Washington and the NATO allies ready to cut a deal?

If the cease-fire was an attempt to split the Western alliance, it apparently failed — even member nations less hawkish than the United States and Britain were reported determined Wednesday to continue the air attacks.

Even so, Daalder said, Milosevic is “a brilliant tactician and he’s now testing with his various probes how little he has to do to get NATO to split. I believe you’ll see other probes like this in coming days.”

President Clinton dismissed Yugoslavia’s cease-fire against ethnic Albanian guerrillas in Kosovo as a hollow promise and said Washington and its NATO allies are “determined to stay united and to persist until we prevail.”

The heaviest night of airstrikes since the NATO assault began March 24 followed Milosevic’s cease-fire offer Tuesday, making clear that NATO countries continue holding out for much more.

NATO leaders have demanded the withdrawal of Yugoslav military and paramilitary forces from Kosovo and a multinational military force to police a settlement that grants autonomy to Kosovo, a province of the main Yugoslav republic of Kosovo.

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Clinton reaffirms NATO resolve to end Serb violence

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From Ideals to Realities: My Education in Racism

I write today to share a few reflections on a week spent traveling in the South learning about the civil rights movement. It was spring break, and I, along with eight other Notre Dame undergrads, was a participant in the inaugural Center for Social Concerns Civil Rights Issues Seminar.

Tom Kilroy

I share my reflections on the seminar experience with the hope that a few will be inspired to participate in the future. But, more than this, I wish with the hope that my thoughts will call to mind that inquiry of their own opinions and feelings on civil rights. I am confident in this latter hope because I found my own understanding of civil rights radically challenged by the seminar.

Let me begin with a bit of my own history. As a white suburb, while there were members of a community associate only those who were of the same skin color. The archdiocese of Atlanta, visit the new Catholic churches of Ethiopia. (For Kindall, this connection lies in the Ethiopian Catholic tradition. (Should you make it to Atlanta, visit the new Catholic church on the campus of Clark Atlanta University, it is modeled after the ancient Catholic churches of Ethiopia.) Kindall’s experience demonstrates that black skin color is not meaningless. Black matters because it symbolizes both a history of American oppression and a rich African heritage. Those who share this common identity seek to live together and to worship together: they seek to form a community.

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There were only a few minutes before the drums and singer music were to start. We sat in prayerful expectation.

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"The Christian socialist writer John Cort blurted that one of the reasons he wanted to be a bishop away from the more social demo­cratic version of "economic rights.""Either way, I'm sure to intermix it with the Anglo­American concept of "economic rights" that my articles uncovered."

"The American term "rights" is as Bill of Rights" has an essentially different meaning from the term "rights" in Marxist jargon. In addition, in Pope John XXIII's Pacem in Terris the Catholic term "rights" has two different meanings for two differ­ent kinds of "economic rights." One kind (the right to private property, personal econ­omical initiative, and association — which in business corporations and labor unions is called "welfare rights" or "entitlements," as a last resort, to do something for those in need."

"What ought it to say?" said the young seminarian to me, "What ought it to say?"

Weigel is preparing an authoritative biography of Pope. John Paul II with the Holy Father's encouragement and cooper­ation. The Holy Father appointed Father Richard Neuhaus to be a participant to the Synod of the Americas and has written in a letter how much he admires Father Neuhaus's book on the Holy Spirit. "Appointment in Rome." He has not at the same degree of intimacy with John Paul II, it is no secret that since 1979, I have written all my books on Catholic social thought (in all) in homage to him, and sent him copies of all of them. "The spirit of Democratic Capitalism," in its illegal underground edition put out by the Polish Labor Union Solidarity in Poland in 1983, was sent to him by the Union before they could get a copy to me.

Weigel is claiming to speak for the Holy Spirit as he does for the entire Catholic Church. It is offered, in the end, in a spirit of humble obedience. "Hey, I'm not in charge, just doing my job." It's up to the teaching authority to decide what in do with all the information and analysis I bring back. It's up to me to give it to you straight.

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**Scene Observer**

**Becomes a couch potato**

By MIKE VANEGAS

Snuggled in the corner of just about every dorm room on campus, the television is that one prized possession that most Americans cherish as a necessity of survival. For students, the television is abundant, playing constantly, but it is for people with normal lives. To catch that half-hour of relaxed abdication in the midst of an overloaded schedule is crucial to a student’s mode of normalcy.

With this extreme reliance on the medium of television comes the unfortunate but necessary decision each evening to choose one of many channels; one of many shows. With the dust settled on all of those fall television mishaps, here are some recommendations to what to watch when there’s some of that rare spare time.

**Sunday**

Sunday is probably the most troubling night for television-watching, only in that it marks the end of what might be a loop, forgettable weekend. With the looming week of classes and homework, many students find it necessary to make Sunday night a night of concentration and focus.

Yet Fox doesn’t care one way or the other about homework. Presenting one of the more entertaining nights of television, the network has created a great foundation for the week.

"The Simpsons" starts the evening with that trademark laugh-a-minute comic zest. Having been the networks' consistent anchor since its inception, "The Simpsons" has shown no signs of fading. It is and will always be a must-see.

Of late, Fox has been using the post-"Simpsons" slot to test its new shows. Last season, "King of the Hill" and its redneck Hank Hill ruled the time-slot. This season, "That '70s Show" has taken the cushion.

Hoping that "Thirtysomethings" continues in this spot next season (its season finale has already aired), Fox has "Family Guy" and "Futurama" one season behind it. If they have replaced it Sunday night looks to be a full night of Fox. With its retro costumes and over-the-top but convincing teenage sitcom feel, "That '70s Show" consistently provides laughs, and bridges the wall between the historically hilarious "Simpsons" and the cult-fave, "The X-Files."

Thus comes the greatest of all conspiracy dramaloon/comedy shows ever. It is important to remember that "The X-Files" has only one more season to go after this season. Starting the strongest couple on television (Gillian Anderson as Dana Scully and David Duchovny as Fox Mulder) the show has only gotten better as it has gotten older. This past season has been marked with a comic tone that perhaps" is the same. "The X-Files" bag hooks for that much more interesting. Once this show is over, Sunday night is pretty much over as well.

Other notable choices include ABC's "Medicine Woman," and CBS's "60 Minutes" and "Touched by an Angel." These are your best shot to get some couch potato time.

**Monday**

Monday night is a toss-up between Fox and CBS. With "King of the Hill" and "Cosby" in their careers, and awesome chemistry of "Everybody Loves Raymond," CBS rules the sitcom world on Monday night. With "Raymond," a show that has continued to gather more weekly viewers every week and "Cosby" consistently bringing in viewers, CBS certainly has a stable. With "Cosby" still strong, and "Raymond" certainly strong in its own right, Monday night is a must-see on all levels.

The relatively weaker "King of Queens," though still providing good comedy, loses out to the dying "Melrose Place" on Fox.

It is the demise of "Melrose" that makes it worth the hour at least until May. How will it end?

**Tuesday**

For those in regular Notre Dame dorm rooms, NBC is the winner on Tuesday nights. For those in dormitories other than at Saint Mary's, Tuesday TV is a tough choice.

Though not as strong as it used to be, NBC's "Third Rock from the Sun" still has its moments as the intentionally offensive andSolomons continue to under­stand the nature of humankind.

Followed by the under-appreciated "NewsRadio," NBC has another one of its usual one-night shots. While "Just Shoot Me" is not the best choice, "Third Rock" starts NBC second-place must-see night.

"Just Shoot Me" comes next, which continues to build the momentum neces­sary to become the next big thing for television. It's too bad that "Just Shoot Me" did not get "Seinfeld's" second-place Thursday night shot — it certainly is a better fit than "Frasier."

The night ends (at least this season) with "Will and Grace," which recently made the move over to Thursday. As the anchor for NBC's Tuesday, "Will and Grace" offered a different take on the situation comedy. Despite being sometimes a bit repet­itive and unappealing — unlike "Seinfeld," which forced audiences to happily despise its characters — the show's dominance is all too apparent.

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Better-off "Friends" will continue strong into the millennium. For most of this season, "Two and a Half Men" has only gotten better as it has gotten older. This is probably the most consistent show on that little network that does not air its shows in good ol' South Beach.

Other notable choices include Fox's "King of the Hill" and "The PJs." ABC's "Home Improvement," "Spin City," "Sports Night" and "The King of Queens" on CBS.

**Wednesday**

"I'm 25 and almost single tonight" is proudly the goofiest, zaniest night of television.

"Dharma and Greg" starts the night with an "opposites attract" premise that has proved not so hokey as it did when the show premiered in October. Star Jenna Elfman has described herself and Greg as a show that celebrates happiness and the good times.

This is definitely a factor for its success, especially with the "Seinfeld" exit, the show has left behind leaving TV last May.

For most of this season, "Two and a Half Men" has only gotten better as it has gotten older. Though most critics have expressed their disgust for this 20-something comedy, it holds its own among this strong night of comedy. Telling the stories of three young Bostonians as they start their educations, "Two and a Half Men" is the perfect show for those who don't want to think, those just want to sit there, watch and laugh.

Finishing off what might be called the Drew Carey show, that is, until it was taken off the air recently, is "Whose Line is It Anyway?" — the improvised com­edy that showcases several of Carey's improvisational buddies. Despite being sometimes a bit repet­itive, "Whose Line" is usually a laugh-ful night of regular television. Its unique quality is what makes the show a winner. Although it is currently in hiatus, it is expected to return either during the summer or fall.

If comedy isn't too appealing, one can always flip to Fox or the WB, where dramas rule on Wednesday night. On the WB, the "Beverly Hills, 90210" continues its run as a "teenage" show, although most of its action are still on its 20s. Word has it that a new cast will return to West Beverly to help the show return to glory years of virginity-loss and other teenage fun.

"Party of Five" follows "90210," casting an oh-too-real "New York Minute," and each one of its viewers. If a show has just appeared, "Party" is the best ticket to whiteness. On the WB, the big-head­ed James Van Der Beek stars in "Dawson's Creek," which is up to its usual antics, which is to say, it has out­owed the fact that there is a pretty good show on that tiny network. But, like its WB counterpart, "Dawson's Creek," which can only be reached by cable, "Party" is a must-see.

Other notable choices include NBC's "Law and Order," "L.A. Law," "The Practice" (which has made its move to CBS this season) and "Chicago Hope" and WB's "Charmed."

**Thursday**

It's been a while since Thursday night television hasn't been all-NBC, all the time. With such mega­hits as "The Cosby Show," "Cosby" and "Seinfeld," NBC was the must-see TV Thursday. NBC Thursday night/night of television.

For many of us, the show has only gotten better as it has gotten older. "Seinfeld" and "Friends" were the go-to shows of the 1990s. Th" was because of the mis­match between the two good shows — better than most — and unfortunately has to fol­low the best show in television.

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Primetime TV is calling

Thank goodness it’s Friday when Ben Savage’s coming-of-age comedy “Boy Meets World” airs on ABC.

The only good show on Friday is ABC’s “Boy Meets World,” which has grown stronger as the boy (Ben Savage) has gotten older. The friendships and love scenarios that occur as the boy and his fellow cast members trek through college are great fun. Though sometimes the show becomes a forum for pretentious young actors and their methods of overacting, “Boy Meets World” could hold its own on any other night of television.

Saturday night also only brings out one decent show, in CBS’ “Early Edition.” “Edition” is one of those fantasy-dramas that can take on a multitude of genres throughout one hour, without overdoing any aspect of good television. Following bar owner Gary Hobson as he receives the following day’s news each morning, the show becomes an action show every time Hobson attempts to save someone’s life. As Hobson returns to his bar, where a supporting cast adds just enough variety, romance brews with his hot waitress, and friendship brightens the day with his blind co-owner. Sometimes a bit sappy, “Early Edition” is a nice family drama that isn’t just for the family.

Other notable choices include NBC’s “Homicide: Life on the Street” and “Providence” (both on Fridays), Fox’s “Millennium” (Fridays), and CBS’s “Nash Bridges” (Fridays) and “Marital Law” (Saturdays).

That brings the week back to Sunday night, where the fun week of television-watching begins again. Enjoy the week of drama and comedy, desperate laugh-getters and true heart-warmers. And remember: procrastination is the greatest inspiration for doing a bad job well.

The Best of TV:

Sunday
“The Simpsons” 7 p.m. Fox
“The X-Files” 8 p.m. Fox

Monday
“Cosby” 7 p.m. CBS
“Melrose Place” 7 p.m. Fox
“Ally McBeal” 8 p.m. Fox
“Everybody Loves Raymond” 8 p.m. CBS

Tuesday
“Buffy the Vampire Slayer” 7 p.m. WB
“Just Shoot Me” 8 p.m. NBC
“NewsRadio” 8:30 p.m. NBC

Wednesday
“Dawson’s Creek” 7 p.m. WB
“Dharma and Greg” 7 p.m. ABC
“The Drew Carey Show” 8 p.m. ABC

Thursday:
“Friends” 7 p.m. NBC
“Frasier” 8 p.m. NBC
“ER” 9 p.m. NBC

Friday
“Boy Meets World” 7:30 p.m. ABC

Saturday
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Saints eye Williams in NFL draft

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Just when Mike Ditka thought he’d never win again, the New Orleans Saints coach saw Ricky Williams run for 309 yards.

"How hard?" the man who judges all running backs by whole team and our season," Ditka told Associated Press reporter Kevinennon Kuhnrich said that could be a deal breaker.

"If a deal can be made, the Saints could work out a deal," Kuhnrich said. "It's a very good opportunity to make us better, but if a deal can be made, the Saints will want to transfer that pick away from the ball, because the Bears were the dominant NFC West team this season.

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Mike Ditka and the New Orleans Saints are looking to add running back Ricky Williams to their NFL Draft.

Walter, they needed a quarter-
back," Williams said. "And he
said, 'It wouldn't have mattered
if there was any quarterback here.
I was just going to hand the ball
off to Walter.'"

"He said he likes to run the back," Williams said. "He's not going to throw the ball around and run it over. He's just going to run the ball. They'll get it in and it'll be boring but it'll win.

"The Saints’ offense was 28th in the NFL last season, dead last in rushing.

The Saints are scheduled to pick 12th in the first round. They have pick in every round except the second.

"We have to get a feel for a guy who would be interested in dropping down to the 12th spot," Kuhnrich said. "It's dropping down to that spot, you get a very different group of players than you get in the top 10.

Williams said he hoped the Saints could work out a deal, but didn't believe it would happen. He speculated he'd go on the fifth or sixth pick. Cleveland Browns director of football operations Clark Snyder said Williams impressed him during the workout, and Cleveland is the first team New Orleans Saints should talk to.

"If the Saints want to make sure they get him, that's the place to go," Clark said. "To me, you're worth this pick if you can help us win games.

"I would like every kid from the young kids to the biggest kids in the room to inform him of the initial decision," Snyder said. "I want to see us push the ball," he said. "I want to run.

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Recruits

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Doherty was eager to get his ten new recruits in the fold next fall. He had recruited Carroll while serving as Roy Williams top assistant at Kansas but personally has not seen Monserez play.

"I'm glad they decided to stick with their commitments to Notre Dame," he said. "They're both good kids and are both winners. I look forward to working with them."

With the graduation of four seniors and the departures of Hanz Muusomme and Peter Ok沃尔ings during the season, the Irish will still have four scholarships left ungiven. It is, however, highly unlikely that they will ink four players this spring.

The next order of business for Doherty is to convince Andy Scuom from Louisiana to come north to South Bend.

The 6-foot-1 center had a tremendous senior year, averaging 24 points, 14 rebounds and five blocks at West Monroe High School.

Before Marleod's resignation, it looked as if Scuom would be playing for the Irish, but he now has opened up the recruiting process again with the likes of Florida State, Texas A&M and Utah in the mix.

Doherty is familiar with Scuom, having coached him at a summer camp in Lawrence, Kan., three years ago. He is supposed to meet with Scuom on Friday. Steve Scuom, the player's father, told the South Bend Tribune that, "He [Andy] likes Matt a lot."

Scuom would bring much needed size to an Irish team returning only one player over 6-foot-6. He could step in at center and play alongside Big East Rookie of the Year Troy Murphy and sophomore Harold Washington to form a solid front court for the next three years.

One player that will not be back for the Irish next season is 6-foot-6 Romeo Augustine from Rayen, Ohio, who verbally committed to Notre Dame in January.

Augustine initially signed with Toledo during the early signing period in November, but his parents refused to sign the letter, voicing the intent.

Ironically, Augustine, who failed to sign with Fromrinnmur Providence yesterday, was on the same All-State squad with Monserez in Ohio.

While at Kansas, Doherty was able to lure in talent from throughout the country, including Enrique Vaughn and Paul Pierce from California and Bard Letterman and incoming freshman Nick Collison from Iowa.

Doherty acknowledges that he has had a good position at Kansas, with its rich basketball tradition and an established coach in Roy Williams. He also said he believes that Notre Dame has its unique assets as well.

"My goal is to get the top players in the country. I've been fortunate to have a good product to sell with Roy Williams and the University of Kansas," said Doherty. "I think Notre Dame speaks for itself and it gets in a lot of doors throughout the country."

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By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame softball team got back on the non-conference track yesterday, splitting a doubleheader against Western Michigan. The team dropped their first game 2-1 before coming back to shutout the Broncos for a 5-0 victory. The defeat was the first home loss for the Irish this season, as they moved their overall record to 23-15.

Freshman Michelle Moschel (5-2) was credited with the loss in game one for the Irish. Western Michigan scored two runs on nine hits, while stopping the Irish bats. Notre Dame had only five hits in the game, and their lone run was on a homer by catcher Kris McCleary. It was McCleary's 6th of the season, and the seventeenth for the Irish this year, tying the record set in 1994.

With the score tied 1-1 after six innings, the Broncos scored the winning run in the top of the seventh on a sacrifice fly by Bonnie Yenks. Western Michigan pitcher Jennifer Vanover held the Irish scoreless in the bottom half of the inning to preserve the victory and record her fourth win of the season.

In the second game, the Irish benefited from a solid pitching performance from Angela Bessolo, who fired a complete-game shutout to defeat Notre Dame head coach Liz Miller's alma mater. The shutout was Bessolo's fourth of the year and she improved her record to 7-5 on the season.

"The first game was a tough loss," said Bessolo. "We came out lighter in the second game and had a positive attitude. We didn't want to focus on the negatives from the first game and we came out fired up."

Notre Dame jumped out in front by scoring two runs in the second inning. They added one more in each of the next three innings to take a commanding lead and, eventually, the 5-0 victory.

"We just wanted to play one inning at a time and look at it from that approach," said Bessolo. "Our hitting in the second game was excellent and it was comforting as a pitcher to get ahead quickly. Our defense played really well and that helped me to concentrate on the mound."

The Irish now travel to Rutgers and Villanova for their next four Big East games. They will take on Rutgers in a doubleheader on Saturday. A two-game sweep on Saturday would give Liz Miller her 800th career victory, after winning number 798 last night. The Irish are 2-0 so far in conference play.
Woods, Duval share spotlight on eve of Masters

Associated Press

Augusta, Ga. — The sun broke through overcast skies Wednesday at Augusta National as Ernie Els slipped quietly into the shade of a Georgia pine.

He couldn't imagine a better place to be on the eve of the 63rd Masters. When the curtain rises on the first major championship of the year, the spotlight will be on David Duval and Tiger Woods, and the script has already been written — the top two players in the world, settling matters in the most spectacular venue in golf.

That's just fine with Els.

The 29-year-old South African arrived at Augusta on Saturday with a fresh mind, a fine-tuned game and the kind of credentials worthy of a favorite at any major championship.

Just not this one, not this year.

"The only talk is Tiger and David," Els said. "I could ask myself the question that maybe I should play in that group. But the only to do is to win again. I believe the Masters, you guys will want to write about me."

Or maybe someone else.

Under the live oak located between the clubhouse and the first tee, Phil Mickelson held court for 10 minutes after he and John Huston teamed up to whip Duval and John Daly in their final practice round before the tournament starts.

In only his seventh year on the PGA Tour, Mickelson already is becoming a forgotten favorite in the majors, in part because he hasn't really contended in any of the last right.

This is the first time Mickelson has come to the Masters with out already having won in the year, and that includes his lone appearance as an amateur.

It doesn't help that he is 165th on the tour in final-round scoring at 75.29, which includes an 82 on Sunday in The Players Championship after being within one stroke of the lead.

Still, Mickelson has won 13 times already like Els, he's lacking.

"I've been trying to build up for this week," he said. "What I've been lacking this year is focus for 72 holes. I've played well for 24 holes in several tournaments, and I feel like I'm just about ready to play well for 72."

Mark O'Meara spent more time talking about Woods and Duval than his own chances to become not the third player to repeat as champion. Fred Couples, who tied for second last year with Duval, wants another crack at a green jacket but no one seems to listen.

Colin Leonard, whose four victories include the British Open and The Players Championship, has finished in the top 10 in both Masters. Jim Furyk and his loopy swing don't look like a good fit for Augusta, but he was rich in the thick of it last year until going in the water on the 15th on Sunday.

Lee Westwood of England has won as many tournaments as Duval in the same amount of time, even if only one came on American soil. Still, Europeans have won 10 of the past 19 Masters, and he has been around Augusta enough to know how it feels to win the Masters, you guys will want to write about me."

Or maybe someone else.

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Sports Briefs

Casting and Angling — Clinic will be offered on April 13 and 20 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Joyce Center Campus Center. There is an $8 class fee. Register in advance at RecSports. Join Dan Burch, certified American Casting Association instructor, for three evenings of bait casting, fly casting, spinning and fishing. Equipment will be provided but bring personal equipment if possible. Contact RecSports at 631-6100 for more information.

Kayaking — Register at RecSports for four pool sessions and a one-day excursion. Classes will be held April 15, 17, 22 and 24 in the Wolf Aquatic Center, from 7 to 10 p.m. Class size is limited. The cost is $15. Registration begins March 30 at 8 a.m. Any more questions should be directed to RecSports at 631-6100.

Christmas in April Benefit Run will be held on Sunday, April 10 and 11, at the Stetson Center for a 5K or 10K run or two-mile walk. T-shirts go to all finishers. Cost is $6 in advance or $7 the day of the race. Register at RecSports. All proceeds to benefit Christmas in April.

Golf Scramble — Stanford Hall will be hosting its second annual Golf Scramble on April 25. Cost will be $40 per team. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team. If you have any questions please call Gene at 634-2047 for more information.
**Calendar of Events**

**Freshman Retreat #23**  
Friday-Saturday, April 9-10,  
St. Joe Hall  
Targeted Dorms: Badin, Breen-Phillips, Keough, Knott, Lyons, Pasquilla East, Stanford, Welsh

“What’s the Future of this Relationship?”  
Sunday, April 11, 1:00 p.m.  
Hospitality Room, South Dining Hall  
An Opportunity to explore issues and questions facing couples in significant relationships.

**The Congregation of Holy Cross Joyfully celebrates the Ordination to the Presbyterate of: Christopher W. Cox, c.s.c and Michael C. Mathews, c.s.c.**  
A reception will follow at the South Dining Hall from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Rejoice Black Catholic Mass**  
Sunday, April 11, 4:00 p.m.  
Sorin Hall Chapel  
Celebrant: Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**  
Monday, April 12, 7:30 p.m.  
Basilica of the Sacred Heart  
Join us for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation where 56 members of the Notre Dame community will complete their full initiation into the Catholic Church.  
Bishop John D’Arcy presiding.

Keeping the Faith  
A Conversion of faith and pop culture  
Saturday, April 10, 8 p.m.-midnight,  
Recker’s, South Dining Hall, A Coffeehouse featuring Justin Dunn, Danielle Skorich and many others.  
N.D. Faith Feud: we asked the questions and you gave the answers. Now find out what the surveys say! Play the Feud!

Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.  
LaFortune Ballroom, Tom Beaudoin,  
author of “Virtual Faith” speaks about young adult spirituality and its relationship to movies, music, and pop culture.

Wednesday, April 14, 7 p.m.,  
LaFortune Ballroom. David Wilcox in Concert.  
Singer, songwriter, folk-rock artist and storyteller. Opening Acts: Justin Dunn and Danielle Skorich.

**Zahm’s Gay!**  
Jim Lies, C.S.C.

I wish I could tell you how many nights I’ve been awakened or kept awake by cheers and jeers of “Zahm’s Gay!” or worse. On April 16-17, 1999, a chant heard outside of Zahm Hall all too often. It doesn’t take a rocket scientist to realize that those who yell it are not seriously accusing us of being a residence hall entirely peopled by gay men; nor would it seem that they are accusing us of being light-hearted, or lively, which might capture an earlier incarnation of the word. So why do they choose to use the term “gay” to offend the men of Zahm? Why is the self-designation of legitimate and full members of our community hurled as a derogatory and derisive insult? It’s a matter worth examining not only by the throngs who have proclaimed it outside of Zahm Hall on random weekend nights, but by all of us, especially those among us, whether in the midst of that throng or not, who don’t even hear it for the insult and the hurt that it engenders; and not so much on the men of Zahm Hall, but on those in this community, Zahm and elsewhere, who are gay. Because the reality is that many more people than we know are dealing with issues of sexual orientation and of self-acceptance.

Attempting to address this issue here is fraught with hazards. For starters, defending Zahm Hall is not a position generally well received on this campus. But this is not truly about Zahm Hall, they can take care of themselves. It’s actually about heightening awareness of the rights and dignity of the gay and lesbian members of this community. The hazards in addressing this issue in any public forum are rooted in the fact that many members of this community have such divergent and stringent views on the issue. Extreme positions will relegate anything that I have to say here to the trash bin, because I will be either too weak in my condemnation, or, for others, too strident in my defense. The only side I wish to take on the matter is the one which compels us all to live the message of Jesus Christ. Can we be reminded too often that the second of the Great Commandments demands that we love our neighbor as ourselves? The matter before us is simply this: that the quality and character of this community is somehow intimately tied to how well we address this issue, and how welcoming we are of our lesbian and gay sisters and brothers.

It should be clear by now to any educated person, that the Catholic Church teaches that homosexual orientation in a person is neither sinful nor evil. The distinction is made between homosexuality as an orientation and sexual activity between homosexual persons, and that homosexual persons are called to live chaste lives, as are we all according to our state in life. Whatever one may think of the Church’s teaching on this matter, one thing is clear: there is no room in it for hatred and derision directed toward our gay and lesbian brothers and sisters. Nor ought there be room for it here at Notre Dame; and yet there seems to be. How many times have you walked down a men’s residence hall corridor only to hear someone yell to another, “faggot!”, or denigrate someone self-designation of any group as a derogatory term? As for Zahm Hall, of course we’re not all gay. Even those who would cheer it, please God, know that much. But the fact is, some of our number are; and the even sadder fact is that some of those who are cast-ording scorn with their cheers of “Zahm’s Gay!” are gay themselves. They’re forced to join in because they’re not strong enough to stand alone against it, and nobody else, gay or straight, is brave enough to stand with them in opposition to it.

We live in an environment that is embarrassingly inattentive to the reality that there are many among us who are dealing with issues of sexual orientation. That inattiveness has created a place that is unsafe for those who might otherwise share with friends and family their growing self-awareness and self-acceptance. As a Catholic community, we are called to a higher standard of respect for human dignity, and of justice, than that which is revealed in our careless use of language around this issue, or in our inappropriate humor, or even in every conversation we have that assumes that everyone in our community, Zahn and elsewhere, who are gay. Because the reality is that many more people than we know are dealing with issues of sexual orientation and of self-acceptance.

The Office of Campus Ministry hopes to further a deeper respect and appreciation of the presence and gifts of the lesbian and gay members of this community. We recognize the importance of respectful and safe dialogue on the issue as the key to maturing as individuals and as a community. On April 16-17, 1999, Campus Ministry is offering the Third Annual Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual (LGB) Retreat for anyone, gay or straight, who wishes to enter into prayerful and respectful support and dialogue about this issue. [For more information about the retreat, call Tami (1-3016), Alyssa (4-1277), or Matt (4-3666).] Our hope, ultimately, is to promote a campus environment that welcomes and supports all members, regardless of color, gender, religion, ethnicity, social or economic class, nationality, or sexual orientation, among others. The social teachings of the Catholic Church, which promote a society founded on justice and love, in which all persons possess inherent dignity as the children of God, demands it of us.

**CONSIDERATIONS...**
Baseball to become global pastime

By JOHN COPPOLELLA

The baseball season officially began on Sunday when the San Diego Padres met the Colorado Rockies, but this game was a bit different than most other openings.

America's national pastime opened for the first time ever in a foreign country, with 27,104 fans packing Estadio Monterrey in Monterrey, Mexico to witness an 8-2 Rockies win and a piece of history.

This game was a sign of how fast things are changing in baseball. The number of non-American players in professional baseball is slowly beginning to outnumber the American players in the sport.

Major league baseball teams are now beginning to scavenge the national teams of other countries. Nearly every major league team has moved, or will be moving soon, into a new ballpark.

A 34-year-old pitcher who has never won a Cy Young Award and only won 20 games in a season once is making $15 million per year. And major league baseball is now considering putting advertisements on its players' jerseys.

Is this Sunday's game a real one? Yes and no.

Baseball is growing, primarily because of a big positive which comes with a lot of little negatives: billion-dollar ballparks, $15-million-per-year players and advertising on players' jerseys.

Do the negatives outweigh the positives? It is too early to say at this point.

What can be said at this point is that Sunday's game was a big positive step. True, the Padres players are a team that included a 34-year-old pitcher who has never won a Cy Young Award. But that didn't prevent the game from being played in a foreign country for the first time ever in baseball.

Outside of the Rockies' Larry Walker, no Canadian players were on the field. Despite this, we saw a Cuban public address system being used on the field. The game was a beauty: a 3-2 win for the Orioles in 11 innings, exciting from the first pitch to the last.

More importantly, the game was about baseball. The sport transcended all of the political protests and motives, the uncertainty and the fighting.

Fidel Castro stood in silence as the national anthem was played. Oriole players shook hands with Castro, and Cuban national team players shook hands with Commissioner Bud Selig. For one day two countries that had been so polarized against one another by their pasts were united by one pastime.

Perhaps one day the "World Series" will be live up to its name.

Ruth Riley leads nation in field goal percentage

Ruth Riley, a third-team Associated Press All-America pick and an unanimous first-team all-Big East team selection, became the first Notre Dame women's basketball player to finish first in an NCAA statistical category. In the final NCAA statistics released on April 6, Riley's new single-season field goal percentage mark of 63.4 percent topped the nation in that category.

Riley, who also finished third nationally in blocked shots (3.3 per game), hit 198 of her 290 field goal attempts during the season. Her 63.4 percent eclipsed the mark of 63.9 percent set by Sandy Buban during the 1985-96 campaign.

Two other Irish players were among the top leaders in the country. Sheila McMillen finished fourth in three-point field goals made (3.2 per game) and eighth in free throw percentage (87.1 percent) while junior Nete Ivey finished in the top 15 in three statistical categories. She finished eighth in three-point field goal percentage (44.8 percent), tied for ninth in free throw percentage (87.0 percent) and was 13th in assists (6.5 per game).

As a team, the Irish finished in the top 20 nationally in eight categories (most for any Notre Dame team), as they were fourth in rebounding margin (+9.8 per game), ninth in scoring offense (83.0 ppg) and scoring margin (+15.5 ppg), 10th in won-lost percentage (83.9 percent), 13th in three-point field goal percentage (37.2 percent), 17th in free throw percentage (73.7 percent), 18th in field goal percentage (49.2 percent) and 20th in field goal percentage defense (37.7 percent).
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Starter Mike Naumann lasted only two and one-thirds innings, as the Falcons tagged him for eight runs — seven earned — on seven hits to take the early lead. McKcown came on in relief in the third and lasted four and two-thirds innings. The lefty allowed just one run on four hits, fanning five and walking one.

"I thought Chris McKeown came in and did a tremendous job," Mainieri said. "He's struggled his last two times out, so that was a real confidence-booster for him."

Corbin pitched the last two innings for Notre Dame, giving up one run while striking out three. "Corbin has just been the man out of the bullpen for us," Mainieri said.

So yet again the Irish notched another game in the win column thanks to the likely and unlikely heroes, and a little luck too.

"I don't know how we keep doing it," Wagner said. "One of these days the luck's going to run out, but hopefully not too soon."

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Guy Who's Never Scored. "We don't really plan on winning a single game."
Others plan on winning at least one round.
"Our team is just playing for fun, but we think we might have a shot," said Anne Jaeger, captain of The Worst Team ... EVER. "We played last year and lost 21-2 but we're hoping to win this time."
All Bookstore Basketball games this year will be played on the Stepans, McGlinn and Lyons courts. All games in the five-on-five single-elimination tournament are played to 21 baskets, with a winning margin of two points.

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Taurus (April 20-May 20): Difficulties with co-workers will cause setbacks in combustion. By next to get involved in the personal affairs of others. You can find yourself getting sidetracked. It's not likely that your workaholic ways will lead to success.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): You will do well if you take part in competitive activities. Your desire will be recognized and appreciated. You will support others in your direction. You are likely to use more of their abilities.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Emotional upset will cause minor health problems. Don't confront issues until you have the strength to cope with the outcome. You need some time to change. Changes will be necessary.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Self-improvement projects will pay off. You can get support from others if you ask for it. Get out with friends. You can accomplish a lot if you are willing to work with others.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Money-making ventures will turn out to be quite lucrative. You can look into small business ventures or investments that will help you get ahead of the game.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You come home empty-handed today. You're trying to get past what others have told you. Today long to read material about healing and may eliminate some of the problems. Unanswerable problems will not exist today.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't bother trying to get past joint access to colleagues. You can do much better if you focus your attention on projects that you can get to back into shape.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can have a good time without being overdramatized. You can put money into an investment you already have, but don't contribute to it until you've made a joint venture that's not off the ground.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't expect everything to run smoothly if you are working in connection with others. You can lose respect for some of your peers if you have to put up with their poor work habits.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your concern in personal matters will help you get things moving. You can be very influential to others if you know what your plans are. You may get some volumes without even asking.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): You may be involved in organizations that have a negative side to them. Check into the background of some of these organizations and ask yourself before you decide to make a large contribution.

Birthday Baby: You have a strong determination and the power of persuasion working on your side. You aren't likely to come up against too many obstacles. You can rely on your colleagues or employers. Arguments or confrontations. Try not to get short of your expectations. You can tie up loose ends if you work diligently to meet your deadlines.

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Eighth-inning rally propels Irish past Falcons

By ALLISON KRILLA
Senior Sports Writer

The Notre Dame baseball team used a seven-run eighth inning to shut down the Bowling Green Falcons, 14-10. With the victory, the Irish improve to 22-8 on the season.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Doherty signs recruiting class

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

Matt Doherty passed his first test as head Irish basketball coach yesterday.

Both Matt Carroll and Mike Montgomery have shown they have intent in November when John Carroll or Jimmy Wyche. He chose the Irish over Bryant. He chose the Irish over Villanova and Wake Forest. A good possibility exists that he'll be a great system-type player. He's a top-35 player in the country to play in the NBA if he develops and works hard.”

Although the less publicized of the two, Monserez brought an added dimension to the Irish backcourt.

At 6-foot-5, Monserez will form an order to prepare for the tournament's final round. If the teams win, there is an upset. They are so underrated, and just keep coming through.”

Yesterday was Perconte's turn to shine again, as the junior drove the second dinger of the season over the wall in right-center in the sixth to pull the Irish within two.

But while the Notre Dame offense clearly stole the spotlight, it was the standout performances on the mound by Chris McKeown and John Corbin that gave the team a

MEN'S BASKETBALL

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The 1998 Pennsylvania Game, which featured the top 10 teams in the country to turn a men's basketball tournament by the National Association of Basketball Coaches.

The top-ranked teams will have a height advantage over most other point guards and also can spell relief at the two-guard when Carroll or Jimmy

The courts look good and we’re ready to start,” said senior commissioner Julia Dayton. “Everyone seems excited to begin the tournament.

Recent good weather has brought hordes of tournament hopefuls to basketball courts across campus. Teams have been honing their skills and scrimmaging others in order to prepare for the opening rounds of the tournament.

The preliminary round of the tournament lasts until Friday, determining which teams will compete in the regular brackets. One-hun-

dred-thirty-eight teams will hit the courts today and Friday, looking to earn spots in the first-round action.

The top-ranked teams will wait until Saturday before beginning to square off with opponents. Primetime, key-play.com and Malicious Prosecution are the tournament favorites at the top three spots, but with a field of 581 teams, undiscovered talent could be waiting to stage an upset.

The bookstore commission created the brackets for this year’s competition using a specific system.

“We separated the top 32 teams, putting them at the top and bottom of each bracket,” said Dayton. “We made provisions for teams that wanted to play each other in the first round and after that used a random number generator to determine the rest of the matchups.

Some teams are taking the tournament seriously, planning on making a run for the finals, while others are simply playing for fun.

“We’re just a bunch of guys out to have a good time,” said sophomore Tom Walsh, captain of Four Players and a