The hot picks in summer flicks
Two movie critics say there will be more than a few thrilling movies hitting theaters in the coming months.

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One letter writer says President Bush’s Commencement speech will be overshadowed by Timothy McVeigh’s execution.

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STUDENT SENATE

Members approve CCC budget, hear union address

♦ Senate questions allocations for club money in 2001-02

By ERIN LARUFFA

News Writer

After almost an hour of debate and questioning, the Student Senate voted unanimously Wednesday night to approve the Club Coordination Council’s (CCC) 2001-2002 budget, which allocates money to student clubs.

CCC coordinator John Hagan, who presented the budget to the senate, said the CCC worked hard to make sure allocations of its limited resources were fair to all clubs.

Part of their effort included creating allocation guidelines for the first time this year, according to Hagan.

“All of the clubs were surprised that we favored older, more established clubs,” said Hagan.

The CCC hopes having guidelines will help to reduce that surprise, Hagan explained. He added that the CCC also intended the guidelines reduce allocations to clubs for “unnecessary expenses.”

“All the clubs are under-funded. No club is getting all the money it needs and deserves. Every penny we’ve allocated is deserved by the club.”

John Hagan
CCC coordinator

about allocations for several clubs, often organizations that the senators were members of.

“There’s a very limited amount of resources,” said student body vice president Brian Moscona. “All of the clubs have great cases. We have to be objective.”

“All of us are in clubs, and we all know that the clubs we’re in haven’t gotten all the money they need,” said Morrissey-senator Padreic McDermott.

McDermott asked Hagan why the College Independents received $470 when the club does not have any members.

Hagan said the club is actively recruiting members.

McDermott made a motion to decrease the College Independents allocation by $150 in order to increase the Trident Naval Society’s allocation by the same amount.

McDermott, who is a member of the society, said the club needs more money to better conduct its annual fundraiser to raise money for the Special Olympics.

“This is so necessary,” McDermott said. “Our lawsuit is the reason there’s still Special Olympics in Saint Joseph’s county.”

However, the Senate rejected McDermott’s motion.

In addition, senators also questioned why Flipside was receiving significantly more money than it did this year.

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♦ Norton hails now as ‘great time’ for campus community

By ERIN LARUFFA

News Writer

Student body president Brooke Norton delivered her State of the Student Union address to the Student Senate last night, using the opportunity to praise both student government and students in general.

“Is it a great time for the men and women of our Lady’s University,” Norton said. “We have embraced diversity and inclusivity as never before.”

Norton also challenged student government “to work together to better our University and our world.”

“I assure you that Brian [Moscona, student body vice president], the office of the president staff and I intend to continue the tradition of servant leadership that has emerged here in recent years,” said Norton. “We believe that the Student Union should focus on programs that allow students to think both with their heads and with their hearts.”

Norton called for researching “new policy initiatives.”

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Committee considers possible designs for Madeleva

By MYRA MCGRIP

Saint Mary’s Editor

The Madeleva Building Committee met Tuesday to discuss the design plan of the new Madeleva building. The Committee, breaking up into small focus groups consolidated a list of 16 points into six main focus areas.

“We are developing what is important in an academic building,” said Keith Dennis, vice president of finance.

One of the running themes throughout most of the six focus groups was the idea of social space. A social space that hopes to encompass students and faculty the feeling they possess a space on campus to leave their mark and make Madeleva more than just an academic building.

Enlisting the help from the architectural firm MPA, the committee hopes to achieve such an endeavor.
INSIDE COLUMN
Welcome to the show
I don’t remember my first performance on stage, but my mother can tell you all about it. She still remembers the names of the actors, the costumes they wore, and the plays they performed. She remembers everything because she was there.

By age 3, I wanted to try everything, and I was quite the ham. I began getting involved in theater — complete with auditions and headshots. During this time, my mother was also involved in dance and jump and explore my interests. And, in the middle of my preschool years, I became quite the little actress.

As I grew older, I became more active in the theater and dance, trying my hand at TV and radio. My mom was always there. Through all the rehearsals and shows, my mom never left my side. She sat through all the les- sons and rehearsals. And she made it to every show. I could always count on her to be there.

By the time I was in high school, I was too old to play all the roles I had in my youth. I was too young to play the part of Sweeney Todd. I had to work on the crew, and the play in the orchestra pit. With me as a teenager, mom left me alone to fend for myself during rehearsals. But that switch didn’t detract her from coming to performances. She would see each show and each concert, ready to show her enthusiasm and support.

And now, in college I have made my own position known by accompanying shows, rather than acting in them. But that all changed this semester when I found myself auditioning for Gypsy. I had already been drafted to play in the pit when I was approached to try out for a stripper role. They called for another, my name came up, and I found myself at the rehearsals and shows, my mother can tell you all about it. She remembers every- thing because she was there.

Along with the rehearsal, there was the performance. I remember the fun. I remember the experience. But most of all, I remember time spent well with my mom. During those rehearsals, I knew she was always there for each show and each concert, ready to show her enthusiasm and support.

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University appoints Porod Center director
Special to The Observer
Wolfgang Porod, a professor of electrical engineering at Notre Dame, has been named director of the University's Center for Nano Science and Engineering.

Established in 1999, the center explores the fundamental concepts of nanoscience in order to develop unique engineering applications using nanoscale devices. Nanoscience and nanotechnology study small devices and device-related phenomena on a spatial scale of less than one-tenth of a micron, that is, one thousandth the diameter of a human hair or roughly the size of a hydrogen molecule. The Center is composed of a multidisciplinary team of researchers from the departments of Electrical Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering, Chemistry, and Physics.

In his new capacity, Porod will coordinate the center's research and educational programs and serve as a focal point for the University's activities in the emerging area of nanoscience and engineering. One of the major research initiatives within the center is the concept of computing through Quantum-dot Cellular Automata (QCA). Pioneered at Notre Dame, QCA is a new paradigm for transistors competing for attention with novel Band Line current. The center is the only research facility in the country addressing nanocomputing capabilities in this fashion.

A faculty member since 1986, Porod is the co-inventor of the QCA concept. His research focuses on solid state physics and its application to computing, reliability, degradation and breakdown: quantum devices and architectures for nanoelectronics; and the limits imposed by the laws of physics on computation.

Porod is a senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and has authored 270 publications and 80 patents. He serves on the advisory and program committees of several international meetings and is a reviewer of proposals to the National Science Foundation, NASA and several technical journals.

The center's new director also is a founding member of the IEEE Circuits and Systems Technical Committee on Nanoelectronics and Nanosystems. He has received numerous awards, most recently the Ruth and Joel Spira Teaching Award from the College of Engineering.

Porod earned master's and doctoral degrees in theoretical physics from the University of Graz, (Austria) in 1979 and 1981. Formerly the center's associate director, Porod replaces Gerald J. Lafrate, who is leaving Notre Dame to join the faculty of North Carolina State University in a senior endowed position to promote research, teaching and curricula in nanoscience and engineering. Although he will no longer be at Notre Dame, Lafrate will continue collaborating with colleagues from the College of Engineering.

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Scott delivers Dante lecture
Social to The Observer
John Scott, author and professor of English at the University of Western Australia, will present a lecture titled "Dante, Time and Eternity" at 4:45 p.m. today in Room 102 of the Hesburgh Library at the University of Notre Dame. The lecture, sponsored by Notre Dame's Devers Program in Dante Studies, is free and open to the public and will conclude with a reception in the same location.

Scott has published numerous works on Dante and Italian literature from the middle ages to the modern period, including "Dante's Political Purgatory." The Devers Program in Dante Studies was established in 1995 with a $1 million endowment gift from William and Katherine Devers. In addition to sponsoring an annual lecture series, the Devers Program funds fortieth anniversary events in the University's historic Dante collection and supports print and electronic publication of scholarly research in the field of Italian studies.

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"It's one of our best clubs," Hagan said. "They've had an event every weekend this year and next year they're going to add other events.

In general, Hagan explained, when the CCC determines how much money to allocate clubs, it considers factors such as how much money clubs currently have in their accounts and what the CCC believes realistic for clubs to be able to do next year.

"Usually the clubs that have done a good job this year have a chance of being great next year," Hagan said.

Lewis senator Jennie Flannery said it might make sense to allow clubs to see how much money they have been allocated before the senate voted to approve the allocations.

However, after Hagan pointed out that all clubs have the opportunity to appeal their allocations, the Senate did not act to delay approving the CCC budget. The CCC has a contingency fund of $15,200 to be used in case of appeals.

"This is not the end all, be all of money that clubs can get," said Student Union secretary Tai Romero, adding that there are numerous sources that clubs can obtain funds necessary for running special events.

In other senate news:

♦ The Office of the Student Body President is looking into having an off-campus security meeting for students, according to the office's chief of staff, Jonathan Jorissen.

♦ The Senate Committee on University Affairs has begun a report that will look at study and social space at other universities, according to committee chairman Mark Roland, the senator from Zahm Hall.

♦ Student body president Brooke Norton delivered her State of the Student Union address to the senate and reported that the Student Union is "strong."

Scully names Seamon executive assistant

Special to The Observer

Father Timothy Scully, University executive vice president, has announced the appointment of Michael Seamon as his executive assistant.

Seamon, a Notre Dame alumnus with bachelor's and master's degrees in business, has most recently served as assistant to Notre Dame's vice president for business operations, James Lyphout. His appointment as executive assistant to Scully will be effective May 15.

In his new role, Seamon will assist Scully with a variety of executive office responsibilities.

"Mike Seamon is an outstanding young product of Notre Dame who, beginning as a graduate student intern, has acquired an impressive knowledge of the University's complex and multifaceted business and marketing operations," Scully said of the appointment. "Mike also is very involved in the spiritual life of campus, both in liturgies and as a volunteer leader in Campus Ministry programs. I'm truly pleased to make him a member of my administrative team."

As assistant to the vice president for business operations since 1997, Seamon has handled a wide range of project responsibilities involving the University's officers, Trustees and various University committees. Among these, he oversaw a review of the University's purchasing procedures, helped to organize a major campus planning project, and directed a needs analysis for a new campus hotel.

Prior to returning to Notre Dame, Seamon served from 1995-97 as the first director of sales and marketing — and one of the first three employees — of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays baseball franchise. As a key player in the start-up of the franchise, he was involved in activities from stadium renovations to the sale of private suites to the design and marketing of team merchandise and more.

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although she did not mention any new policy areas that student government might research, Norton said student government should strive "to work on social and study space improvements, to provide more campus unifying events and to create multicultural awareness on campus."

The office of the president will also focus on financial aid, faculty-student interaction, gender issues and campus life, Norton said. She added that communicating with students is vitally important to student government's efforts.

"As a Student Union, we are challenged to communicate more openly with the student body, and to be their voice in every way we can," Norton told the senate.

The Student Union's constitution requires Norton to give such an address to the senate.

Do you care about issues affecting the Saint Mary's community?

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Thousands of police prevented demonstrators taking to the port of Dunkirk overnight, where French environmentalists said they would continue the demonstrations.

A woman celebrates 115th birthday: A French woman believed to be the world's oldest person celebrated her 115th birthday Wednesday with a glass of white wine. Marie Bremont, who lives in a retirement home in Cande, donned a red suit for the occasion, receiving kisses on the cheek.

World News Briefs

Harvard protest continues: With chanting on campus and unshaven students leaning out the windows of an occupied building, Harvard University has the feeling of the governing board of multimillionaires, Harvard has said Aaron Bartley, a 25-year-old law student.

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Residents cross the Centennial Bridge into downtown Davenport, Iowa, past the flooded John O'Donnell Stadium, May 25, 2001. Residents were hoping the water would not wash out the stadium. Associated Press

Flood evacuates baseball stadium

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Indiana News Briefs

Father gets probation after daughter's gun

The father of a 6-year-old Indiana girl who brought a loaded gun to school in March was sentenced to 18 months in prison Wednesday. Marion County Superior Court Judge Gale Bradford also sentenced Calvin Sistrunk, 29, to 40 hours community service.

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Bush warns China about Taiwan

WASHINGTON

President Bush said Wednesday that U.S. military force is "certainly an option" if China invades Taiwan.

"Well, I must say, I think we should take the option," Bush said in an interview with The Associated Press.

And the president said he believes the United States and China will work out their differences peacefully. "I believe that the difficulties can be resolved," he said.

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Dem's to use 100-day mark to criticize Bush

Associated Press
WASHINGTON

Democrats are using the 100-day mark for President Bush to launch a counterattack on an administration it says is beholden to big business and dedicated to a tax cut over all other priorities. They are releasing information critical of the Bush administration to lawmakers and party members, and running ads, as are numerous interest groups that lean on the administration to lawmakers information critical of the Bush administration.

The campaign is informed by a 153-page booklet prepared by the Democratic National Committee, which is distributed to Democratic members of Congress, Democratic governors and the DNC.

Separately, environmental groups and organized labor are putting together campaign-style events in various states and running ads critical of the White House. Democrats are readying television ads that say Bush and his fellow Republicans are not fighting for the priorities of America's working families. Democrats initially will invest $100,000 for the ad, starting this week in the Washington, D.C., area.

It criticizes the Bush administration for attempts to roll back regulations, showing a little girl asking for more arsenic in her water and a little boy asking for salmonella on his sandwich.

Democrats set up a Web site on the first 100 days: Republicans planned to post Bush's accomplishments on the party's Web site soon.

Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., told fellow Democrats that he's learned the meaning of "compassionate conservative."

"It means he's compassionate for conservatives," Daschle said to laughter. A 153-page booklet prepared by the Democratic National Committee will be distributed to Democratic members of Congress, Democratic governors and the DNC.

White House spokesman Terry Buchanan said it's all about the Bush administration is all about.

Terry McAuliffe
DNC chairman

MTV denies blame for injuries

Associated Press
NEW YORK

MTV says it's upsetting when young people injure themselves with the popular show "Jackass" in mind but insists it's not responsible for viewers who try dangerous stunts.

The show is in the middle of a fire of copycat cases and an incident in Kentucky on Monday in which friends filmed a 16-year-old boy being hit by a car although there was some question whether "Jackass" had anything to do with that case.

"Jackass" premiered in October and quickly became MTV's most popular series. Its star, Johnny Knoxville, has been dosed with pepper spray, sat in a portable bathroom when it was tipped over, and lay down on a barbecue in a fire-resistant suit hung with steaks.

A 13-year-old Connecticut boy suffered second-degree burns imitating the steak stunt in January. An 11-year-old boy, also from Connecticut, was burned copying a stunt where he soaked a rag with engine degreaser, wrapped it around his leg and set it on fire.

On Sunday, a 19-year-old Michigan man told police he was inspired by "Jackass" when he stopped traffic by running around with a chain saw in the rain, dressed in a hospital gown.

The Kentucky victim broke his leg and suffered other injuries when he hurled over the hood of a car intentionally driven into him by friends.

Gary Edmondson, the Kenton County attorney, told NBC's "Today" show on Wednesday that he was looking into whether MTV bore some legal responsibility for the incident. "Certainly they are morally culpable," he said.

"Today" showed video six times of the boy flipping over the car.

MTV executives would not comment on "Jackass" Wednesday. A spokeswoman, Jeannie Kedas, said it's "incredibly upsetting" when young people hurt themselves, but MTV is not responsible.

"We're taking this very seriously and we're taking a closer look at the show, but we haven't made any decisions," Kedas said.

"I wouldn't say what options are being considered," "Jackass," which airs Sundays at 10 p.m. ET, has ended its season of original episodes and is about repeating runs.

MTV runs a disclaimer, both on its Web site soon.

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Dan Gerstein
Sen. Joe Lieberman spokesman

"You don't want to over-exaggerate the influence of the show," Gerstein said. "It's not like there are thousands of kids running into the streets imitating things they've seen on the show. But if these things add up, and someone gets seriously hurt by them, it raises some questions."

There was some doubt Wednesday whether "Jackass" had anything to do with the Kentucky incident. The Independence, Ky., police department said in its report that the boys were copying "Jackass."
Welcome To Our Summer Interns

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Ryon Allen  Chicago
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Wildfires cut off road access in Florida Keys

Associated Press

KEY LARGO, Fla. — Highway traffic to and from the Florida Keys slowed freely Wednesday evening after rain dampened a wildfire that reduced visibility and periodically closed the only two roads connecting the island chain to the mainland.

Highway officials had opened U.S. 1, the main two-lane highway across the Keys, earlier in the day for the first time since Monday, but then closed it again because smoke had hampered visibility.

"We had a good rain that soaked a lot of the fire area," said Miami-Dade Fire Chief Lee Stringer. "We don’t anticipate any growth in the fire area." Stringer said it was not likely that U.S. 1 would close for just over three hours.

The two highways separate the Keys from Miami, 15 miles southeast of Miami, then cross coastal marshland and bridges before reconnecting on Key Largo, where U.S. 1 becomes the Overseas Highway for Key West.

The wildfires were not threatening the area's few structures, but tourism was taking a hit. "Our business has dropped a good 40 percent," said Craig Smith, manager of the Islamorada Fish Company restaurant. "It’s killing us."

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Bush to compromise on taxes

Associated Press

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Clinton opens homes to donors

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton opened her Washington home to Democratic donors for the first time Wednesday, playing host for a fund-raiser to help a cash-starved Senate colleague.

About 150 people who paid $1,000 each got only a glimpse of Clinton, but they did get to see the president's back yard for white pines and trays of tiny crab cakes, prescottio and other appetizers.

Clinton politely blocked the entrance man to the yellow living room, and guests did not venture upstairs, said Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif.

At the end of Clinton's street, eight protesters carried signs: "Madame Hillary's house of ill-repute," read one sign. "Count your blessings, mother."

The event was to help freshman Sen. Maria Cantwell of Washington state raise a hefty campaign debt. Cantwell, who said millions as an Internet executive, lost much of her fortune when the Internet bubble burst in 2000.

As of April 1, Cantwell still owed $1.25 million from her Senate campaign, which she largely financed herself.
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Iran

Meeting unites nations against Israel

Associated Press

TEHRAN

Radical Palestinians groups at an anti-Israel conference in Tehran said more than 30 Muslim nations backed calls Wednesday for a continued Palestinian uprising — including Egypt and Jordan, which have peace treaties with Israel.

"The conference sent this message to the world — that Muslims are getting united against Israel and are supporting the intifadeh," or uprising, said Moussa Abu Marzouk, a senior official of the radical Hamas movement. "We will sacrifice our blood to liberate our homeland."

A declaration signed at the two-day conference called for "full support of the intifadeh until the expulsion of occupiers from occupied Palestinian land and the liberation of Palestine," said Mohammad Sadegh Hosseini, one of the main organizers.

Hard-line Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon "is threatening to stop the intifadeh in 100 days," said Abdullah Ramadan Salah, head of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad. "But I would like to tell him that the people of Palestine will fight for 100 years." The declaration also condemned U.S. policies that "encourage the exacerbation of terror and violence" against the Palestinian people and urged the boycott of U.S. products. Most Muslim and Arab nations consider Washington biased in favor of Israel.

Participants also called for the establishment of an Islamic-Arab fund to collect money for the uprising, an international tribunal to try Israeli leaders for war crimes and an independent Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital. They also urged Muslim countries to sever diplomatic ties with Israel. At the close of the conference, about half the delegates chanted: "God is Great. Death to America. Death to Israel."

Wednesday's resolution, though unanimous, it is not binding. But its was an important sign of Muslim unity. Until now, most Muslim countries had distanced themselves from conference host Iran, which considers Israel an archenemy. However, growing anger toward Israel amid an escalation of violence in the Middle East appeared to be driving moderates and radicals closer together.

Conference attendees include some of Israel's deadliest foes — Salah, Sheik Hassan Nasrallah, leader of Lebanon's Hezbollah guerrilla group, and Khaled Mashal, a leader of the radical Islamic Hamas movement.

Even Saudi Arabia, which is critical of Israel but holds back from lashing out at the Jewish state because of its own ties with Washington, sent representatives to the conference. Saudi Arabia has pledged $4.5 million in support of the Palestinian uprising, money that will go to victims of violence and their relatives, the official Saudi Press Agency said. Earlier Wednesday, Ahmed Jibril, leader of the radical Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, urged Muslim countries to open a "united front" against Israel to help sow "fear in the hearts of Zionists."

Faisal Husseini, a top official of the Palestine Liberation Organization, the main party negotiating peace with Israel, said it was better for Israel to accept a solution. By the end of 2010, the Palestinian population would equal that of Israel, he predicted.

"We Palestinians are the ones offering the (Jewish) state of Israel. It is not they who are offering us a Palestinian state, because Palestine belongs to us, and it is not theirs to give," Husseini said.

South Africa

Official: businessmen plot to oust president

Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG

South Africa's top law enforcement official has accused three of the country's most powerful businessmen of plotting to oust President Thabo Mbeki.

In an interview on the South African Broadcasting Corp. news Tuesday night, Safety and Security Minister Steve Tshwete said the government was investigating plots to remove Mbeki from power.

The accusations against the men were not spelled out, but several analysts said the government in one of Africa's strongest democracies might be trying to stifle any possible opposition to Mbeki.

The investigation focused on Cyril Ramaphosa — one of the most respected people in the country — Mathews Phosa and Tokyo Sexwale.

All three are senior members of the ruling African National Congress who have been known to harbor ambitions to be president. All have left government in recent years and become successful businessmen.

"The allegations are not worthy of any comment. They are insulting the intelligence of ordinary South Africans," Phosa told SABC radio Tuesday. "I am completely shocked." A statement from Sexwale's family called the accusations "ongoing and unfounded rumors."

"It is an unwarranted precious time-wasting exercise to be diverted by gossip and rumor-mongering based on cooked-up stories," the statement said. Sexwale discussed the issue with several senior officials Wednesday, including Tshwete and former President Nelson Mandela, according to the statement.

Ramaphosa has denied in the past trying to undermine Mbeki. In an interview on e-tv Tuesday night, Mbeki said some businessmen were secretly funding challengers to him within the ANC.

"It's a conspiratorial thing," Mbeki said in the interview. "The best way of dealing with the matter is to have open debate about everything, including the presidency. Because once you start a conspiratorial thing, you are implanting a destructive process."

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Stories of dining hall thieves

Oh it’s that time of year again. Spring. The time for flowers, finals and dining hall amnesty boxes (it’s a little-known fact that thousands of Third World refugees seek amnesty from the dining halls each year. Applications usually receive housing, political asylum and a year of grace (and yo-croam). Of course, those boxes usually remain empty, and if anyone actually does turn stuff in, it’s quickly snatched up by someone who wants to stick it to the man (or just needs some freeware). In addition to the boxes, we get the lecture about how food services has lost like a billion dollars because we took a mouse goblet. This number seemed slightly high to me, so I decided to do some research on the different kinds of dining hall thievery that you well-lived felons partake in. As it turns out, despite the number of items reported stolen, many attempts of dining hall theft have failed. The stories I’m about to tell you are absolutely true tales of dining hall theft, trickery and debauchery (you know you’ve hooked up your pants and go-croam). Of course you can learn what not to do when ripping off our beloved school.

Case No. 1: The Cup Culprit. Our first hero was having a little get-together one Friday night. He thought it would be just swell to serve some beverages to his friends, but alas, he did not have proper containers for said liquids. So he decided to “borrow” some cups from good old Notre Dame’s North Dining Hall. Since he was actually allowed to bring his backpack into North (see they trust us or something), he thought taking a few cups would be simple; right? Think again, Sparky. Sure, people do get away with it, but when they do go down, they go down painted-pink style (I have no idea what that means). You know those headphones all the dining hall managers wear? Most of the time, it just makes them look like last Old Navy employees, but they came in handy in our story of the cup culprit. While our friend clandestinely placed cups in his bag, a distant manager saw him and signaled his fellow managers that “Operation: Student Stir-Fry” was under way. Suddenly, 15 were up on the poor kid like Father Malloy on a wealthy alumnus. Unfortunately for him, dining hall staff rarely get to carry guns, so they proceeded to lick the loaf of bread, mak­ ing the story a legend of dining hall shiv­ evy and general idiocy. “Let you don’t want it now.”

“Okay, you’re in big trouble now, sweet pea.” Our heroine then threw the bread at this 70-year-old woman and sprinted for refuge at the nearest dorm. Upon telling her story to friends, they asked in wonder, “How old are you again?”

No, bread was not procured that day, but at least someone finally gave the elderly what they deserve: a loaf of bread in the face. These are the martyrs of the dining hall. Learn from their stories, and if you still dare to take that bowl or that extra banana, make sure you have good aim.

Amy Schill is a sophomore English major. Her column appears every other Thursday. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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Don’t know / Refuse to answer (11%)

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Ten days after a landmark federal execution, the University of Notre Dame is faced with the dilemma of whether to give an honorary degree to Timothy McVeigh. The university, which is one of the most prestigious institutions in the United States, has long been known for its commitment to academic excellence and its strong moral and ethical standards. The decision to give an honorary degree to McVeigh, a man who is remembered for his role in the Oklahoma City bombing, is sure to be controversial and will be watched closely by the university's students, faculty, and alumni.

The decision to give an honorary degree to McVeigh is not just a matter of academic prestige, but also a matter of moral and ethical principle. The university is faced with the challenge of balancing its commitment to academic excellence with its commitment to justice and fairness. The decision will not only affect the university's reputation, but also the lives of those who will receive the degree.

The university's decision will be watched closely by the public, who are looking for leadership and guidance in the face of difficult moral and ethical challenges. The university's leadership must be careful to make a decision that will be accepted by all members of the community, and that will be remembered as a demonstration of the university's commitment to justice and fairness.

In the end, the decision to give an honorary degree to McVeigh will be a test of the university's commitment to its values, and a test of its ability to lead in a time of moral and ethical crisis.
MOVIE REVIEW

Harris’ ‘Pollock’ depicts a tortured artist

By MARIO BIRD
Scene Move Critic

In “Life” magazine, Jackson Pollock, the pioneering American artist, commented, “I don’t let the image carry the painting. It’s like looking at a bed of flowers — you don’t hear year hair out over its meaning.”

Harris’ “Pollock,” the biopic starring Ed Harris as the tortured artist, is an engrossing portrait of an American artistic genius. Harris’ intense and manic performance effortlessly captures the essence of Pollock, the neurotic painter who revolutionized the art world with his drip paintings and freeform expressionism.

The movie starts with Pollock’s arrest for driving while under the influence, setting the stage for his tormented life. Harris’ portrayal is both compelling and haunting, bringing the viewer into the thick of Pollock’s inner turmoil.

Pollock’s relationship with his wife, Lee Krasner, played by Amy Madigan, is another highlight. Their complex dynamic is excellently acted, with Madigan delivering a powerful performance as Krasner, who is as strong-willed as she is driven.

The scene in which they first meet in Pollock’s Greenwich Village apartment is a masterclass in acting. The dialogue is sparse, but the chemistry between Harris and Madigan is palpable, setting the stage for their tumultuous relationship.

Pollock’s artistic process is beautifully depicted, with the camera capturing the gestation and execution of his paintings. The scene where Pollock paints on a large canvas is particularly striking, showing the intensity and dedication of his work.

The movie’s portrayal of Pollock’s alcoholic struggle is also well-handled, with Harris’ performance capturing the dual pull of alcohol and art. The scene where Pollock is_balance_page_14_001_123.png

MOVIE REVIEW

Time moves backward in engrossing ‘Memento’

By MEG RYAN
Scene Move Critic

Hailed as the puzzle movie of the year, “Memento” leaves viewers walking out of the theatre trying to solve the puzzle of what exactly just happened.

Based on a short story by British director Christopher Nolan, the movie follows Leonard Shelby, a man with a brain condition that makes him unable to form long-term memories. The story is told backwards, starting with the end and working its way back to the beginning.

Leonard (Complex_Noah) is a scruffy Australian private investigator on a mission to find the man who raped and killed his wife — a difficult task for someone who has no short-term memory. The precise editing of the film allows the movie to flow from scene to scene even when they aren’t viewed in the correct order.

The supporting cast is well-rounded, with a diverse range of characters played by Guy Pearce, Carrie-Anne Moss, and others. The chemistry between the characters is intriguing, with the audience trying to figure out how each scene fits into the bigger picture.

The movie is a symphony of short-term memories, with Leonard attempting to create new ones by writing notes and cues on his body. There are times when he “wakes up” running, and he doesn’t know what it’s like to be Leonard, his own motives as well.

The movie’s ending is a masterstroke, leaving the audience with a sense of mystery and exploration. The precise editing and narrative structure make “Memento” an original and thought-provoking film.

“Memento” also provides its viewers with a very different viewing experience. Instead of trying to predict the film’s ending, the audience must try figure out how it all began (i.e. why Leonard killed the man and how he discovered the man was his wife’s killer).

An immense amount of concentration is required to follow the plot as it twists backwards, and the audience doesn’t know whom to trust or whom to believe. They rely on Leonard’s instincts to guide them, but the question to keep in mind is: Can Leonard himself be trusted? This puzzle isn’t an easy one to solve. Like movies such as the “Usual Suspects” and “The Sixth Sense,” the clues begin to fall into place as the story comes together; or, in “Memento,” its beginning.
2001 serves up an exciting crop of upcoming summer movies

By MATT NANIA and JUDE SEYMOUR

Love it or hate it, the summer movie season is on its way. From talking ape ("Planet of the Apes") to a couple of stoners ("Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back"). Hollywood is pulling out all the stops in hopes of obtaining box office glory. Here is a quick look at 10 of the summer's biggest diversions.

"The Mummy Returns" (May 4)

Players: Directed by Stephen Sommers, starring Brendan Fraser, Rachel Weisz and The Rock.

Buzz: Summer doesn't officially begin until June 21, but that's not stopping Universal Pictures from releasing this special effects extravaganza weeks beforehand. After hearing the "ka-ching" of box office results with 1999's "The Mummy," Universal immediately put the sequel into development. From the looks of the trailer, "The Mummy Returns" is a louder, bigger, CGI intoxicated version of the original, complete with epic battle scenes, explosions and flying corpses. Add to that the fact that it's rated PG-13 (meaning kids can go) and co-stars WWE's The Rock, and you've got a blockbuster destined to open the summer movie season with a bang.

"Pearl Harbor" (May 23)

Players: Directed by Michael Bay ("Armageddon"), starring Ben Affleck, Josh Hartnett and Kate Beckinsale.

Buzz: If you've been to the movies in the past three months, you've seen the trailer for "Pearl Harbor." Everyone is talking about "Pearl Harbor." With a budget upwards of $150 million, this epic war/love story looks to have a fantastic, 30-minute-long attack sequence that will put viewers in the thick of the battle. But like another cinematic account of a major historical event, "Titanic," "Pearl Harbor" will probably have the scope, but not the intelligence, of a great film epic (there's a love triangle among the main characters that could get in the way of good storytelling). Touchstone Pictures solidified Memorial Day weekend for its release, and "Pearl Harbor" will no doubt own the box office for a good two or three weeks.

"Moulin Rouge" (June 1)

Players: Directed by Baz Luhrmann ("RomEO+JulIET"), starring Nicole Kidman and Ewan McGregor.

Buzz: Set at the turn of the 20th Century, this free form musical follows a young poet as he enters the amoral, bohemian world of club Moulin Rouge. An electric atmosphere of sex, drugs and music sets "Moulin Rouge" apart from typical summer pictures. But utilizing contemporary music in a period setting (contributing include Beck, Fatboy Slim) may confuse conservative viewers looking for a straight up musical. But for those interested in seeing film pushed beyond its boundaries, "Moulin Rouge" will offer its own brand of summer entertainment.

"Tomb Raider" (June 15)

Players: Directed by Simon West ("Con Air"), starring Angelina Jolie.

Buzz: Based on the immensely popular PlayStation video game, "Tomb Raider" will bring some old summer familiarities to the screen: Guns, high-flying action and eye catching apparel. The movie will (hopefully) provide a compelling back story for the previously pixilated character, sending her on a new journey to recover plenty of booty from the Arctic to South America. If the filmmakers can keep the rating at PG-13 or below, expect a big flush of movie patrons come June 15.

"A.I.: Artificial Intelligence" (June 29)

Players: Directed by Steven Spielberg, starring Haley Joel Osment and Jude Law.

Buzz: Any movie that has Spielberg's name attached to it creates an insane amount of buzz. Having a John Williams score and containing the return "Saving Private Ryan"'s cinematographer adds to that, as does the late, great Stanley Kubrick ("A.I." is based on his treatment). As this isn't enough, the marketing team launched a frenzy of "Blair Witch" proportions when his trailer incorporated a credit of "Sentient Machine Therapist" for "Jeanine Salla." Typing in Salla's name on sites dedicated to propagandizing the fictional narrative of the movie, "A.I." is now hyped through the clues on these sites, which is just another reason why Spielberg is set to make millions from this Amblin-Kubrick production, the plot of which has been kept tightly under wraps.

"The Score" (July 13)

Players: Directed by Frank Oz ("Bowfinger"), starring Robert DeNiro, Edward Norton and Marlon Brando.

Buzz: Does a film that stars DeNiro, Norton and Brando, each considered the best actor of his generation, need any buzz? The real question is the by-the-numbers story. An older Bill (DeNiro) is all set to retire and live off the spoils of his loot while his younger thief (Norton) blackmails him into doing one last heist. The actors themselves have no doubt attracted each other to the project, but a decent story would have been nice. Brando's career has flowered recently (for the past two decades, in fact), but he still retains his legendary status. Therefore, there are three exceptional reasons to see "The Score" this summer.

"Jerrylicious" (July 20)

Players: Directed by Joe Roth, written by Billy Crystal; starring John Cusack, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Julia Roberts and Christopher Walken.

Buzz: The plot of "Sweethearts" centers around a high profile celebrity couple that has broken up but are stuck doing publicity for the last film they made together -- all the while their publicist is trying to make everyone believe they're just as happy together as they ever were. In the year of Tom and Nicole's messy breakup, this movie should be a satirical look at a usually sensitive process. The film's director was responsible for producing "Tomcats," but the acting of Cusack and the writing of Crystal should be inarguably enough to see "Sweethearts" come July.

"Planet of the Apes" (July 27)

Players: Directed by Tim Burton ("Sleepy Hollow"), starring Mark Wahlberg, Tim Roth and Helena Bonham Carter.

Buzz: Burton has a way of creating brand new cinematic worlds, and although "Planet of the Apes" is a remake of the original Charlton Heston-starring cult classic, he will no doubt give audiences an eyeful of visual splendor within the unique and big budget blockbuster genre. The make-up effects by multi-Oscar winner Rick Baker look outstanding, and the trailer is action-heavy, which suggests the film will please most of its targeted audience. Let's just hope there is none of the rumored "monkey-love" between Wahlberg and Carter.

"Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back" (Aug. 10)

Players: Directed by Kevin Smith, starring (among many others) Jason Mewes and Kevin Smith.

Buzz: Thanks to the View Askew Web universe (View Askew is the name of Smith's production company), all Kevin Smith movies carry a significant amount of buzz before they open. "Jay and Silent Bob" will prove no different, as the fourth installment of the famed Jersey Trilogy will reach its final chapter (even though a fourth chapter of a three part series sounds wrong, the director has promised it's going to be worth it). The stars of teenage movies past and present will be making contributions (think along the lines of James Van Der Beek and Jason Biggs). And with a host of SNI cast members, this movie simply cannot be missed. "Jay and Silent Bob" will most likely be seen by a large gathering of teenage kids, willing to recite line after line of Smith's witty dialogue just moments after viewing the film.

Ben Affleck and Josh Hartnet (left) star in "Pearl Harbor," a historical epic opening nationwide on May 23. "Tomb Raider" brings the famous video game character to life in the form of Angelina Jolie (center). Ewan McGregor and Nicole Kidman (right) get caught up in music and excitement in "Moulin Rouge."
Torii Hunter hit a three-run double in the 10th inning leading the Minnesota Twins to win 4-2 over the Boston Red Sox.

Pedro Martinez struck out 10 for the third time this season, allowed two runs, six hits and two walks. For the Twins, Brad Radke allowed two, walked none and gave up three runs and eight hits.

The Red Sox snapped a 2-2 tie with a two-out rally in the sixth. Ramirez doubled after Radke retired the previous 11 hitters, setting up Martinez's single.

Marlins, who has reached base in all 21 of Boston's games, scored just before O'Leary was thrown out when he rounded first base too far.

The Twins lost Tuesday night's series opener 9-4, but Wednesday's game figured to be closer with Martinez pitching against Ramirez. Martinez's ERA rose from 1.61 to 1.80 while Radke's went from 2.23 to 2.52.

Retaining the lead with the twi traps as Trotsky doubled and Jose Offerman hit his first home run of the year. But Radke retired the next three batters.

Martinez struck out five in the first two innings, but was scored the second inning when Jones lined a double to left and scored off a bunted single by Pinchey. Martinez's strikeout total rose to 121.

Tennis threatened in the sixth but left runners at first and second. Scala grounded out and Martinez retired the side in order in the seventh.

Marlins, 7-2, Gainesville drove in three runs with a pair of two-out hits as the Seattle Mariners beat the New York Yankees for their sixth straight win.

The Mariners, despite the loss of Scott Rolen to a strained right hamstring and lead the majors with a 17-4 record. Cash played first base for the first time since Pitching the season opener.

Cash, who played 175 with seven RBIs as Rodriguez's replacement at shortstop, gave Seattle a 5- lead in the sixth with an RBI single. He also had a two-run double in a four-run second and tripled in the eighth to finish 3-for-4.

The Mariners have won the first two games of the three-game series with a two-run win in meeting between the teams since last year's AL championship series. The three-time defending World Series champions are 11-10.

Irons usuário was 2-for-5 with two RBIs to raise his average to .355. Suzuki, the leading hitter in the Japanese Pacific League, the last seven years; and Billy Martin's go-ahead hit in the sixth with an RBI single to center off Andy Pettitte (2-3).

Jeff Nelson got the final out in the eighth in his first appearance against New York since returning to Seattle as a free agent. He helped the Yankees win four titles in five years with the Red Sox.

Jarvis' third pitch hit Brian oltre to lead the Yankees' 11 save.

New York tied it at 5 in the fifth on Bernie Williams' sacrifice fly and Jorge Posada's two-run double down the left-field line after Alex Rodriguez hit a broken bat single and opened the inning with walks off starter John Halama, added a three-run single by Norm Charlton (1-0) to load the bases for Williams.

After Pettitte struck out the side in the first inning, the Mariners took advantage of two errors and a two-out walk to score four unearned runs in the second.

Cash started the inning with a drive to left that got under right-fielder Paul O'Neill's glove and two runs scored. Suzuki followed with an RBI single, and John Olerud added a sacrifice fly in the third.

Browns, whose throwing error helped set up Seattle's big hit, hit a lobheder lour that went into right-center field, and New York left fielder Michael Martinez on his sacrifice fly in the sixth.

Pettitte, who came out of one without a decision after pitching against Boston in his last start, allowed three earned and seven hits in six innings.

Boston, Texas 5, Texas 3
Brad Fulmer hit a three-run homer and added a go-ahead infield single in the eighth inning to lead the Toronto Blue Jays over the Texas Rangers.

Fulmer homered in the first off Kenny Rogers (0-1) in the first, and the Blue Jays ahead 6-5 in the eighth following a one-walk to Miguel Batista, who took third on a two-out infield error by Jose Cruz Jr. that went off Rogers' glove past second base.

Rodriguez, the Rangers' cleanup hitter, then singled down the right side of the infield and beat the throw from shortstop Alex Rodriguez, helping send the Blue Jays ahead 7-5. Batista (3-2) took the loss.

Darin Fletcher added a two-run single off Rogers, who gave up eight runs in 7 2-3 innings.

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less able to close the game out
and preserve Duff’s second win
of the season.
Afterward, Mainieri was very
pleased with Duff’s performance.
“He’s been an important pitch­
er for us all year and I think he
showed really good stuff
tonight,” Mainieri said.
The second game got off to a
decidedly less auspicious start.
Both teams jumped on the board
early, with Valparaiso’s Mark
Peterson knocking an RBI single
off pitcher Mike Naumann,
and Sollman scoring on a sacrifice fly
for the Irish.
As the game progressed, how­
ever, it became clear that the
Crusader’s starting pitcher,
Adam Paetznick, was baffling the
Irish hitters.
Usually, a J.V. hurler,
Paetznick entered the game with a
mere 2.2 innings under his
belt, while sporting a hefty 13.50
ERA.
It might as well have been
Greg Maddux on the mound
though, as the Irish could man­
age only one run and two hits
over Paetznick’s first six innings
of work.
Meanwhile, Naumann and
reliever Matt Laird each yielded
two runs in four and three
innings respectively.
After the seventh inning come­
to a close, Mainieri made it
very clear that poor hitting was
to blame for the loss.
“Mike Naumann isn’t going to
out hit anyone, but he gave us
four good innings. Our hitters
weren’t able to back him up
tonight,” Mainieri said.

SOFTBALL
No. 9 Irish sweep Toledo
with 11-0, 1-0 shutouts
By PETER FRASSO
Sports Writer
In what has recently become as
sure as the sun rising every morning,
the Irish softball team went again
Wednesday afternoon, sweeping a
home double­
header against Toledo, by scores
of 11-0 and 1-0.
The Irish ran
their consecutive
wins streak to 25
with the two
shutouts.
Both Irish starters,
Jen Sharron and
Kristin Schmidt,
combined to allow only one hit, with
Schmidt pitching a no-hitter, the first
of her career. The pitching staff has
put together five consecutive
shutouts.
“They’ve been doing that kind of job
all year,” said coach Liz Miller, enjoy­
ing the recent run of pitching that has
lowered the team ERA to 0.88.
Earlier in the day, the updated
national rankings were released,
ranking Notre Dame at No. 9, the
highest ranking in the program’s his­
tory, and the first appearance in the
portion of its schedule this weekend,
including a triple and a walk-off grand
slam,” Miller said.
Game one pitcher Sharron allowed
no hits and struck out three in
only one inning.
In game two, the obvious star was
Sharron allowing a hit to
Schmidt, who struck out a personal
best 15 and walked none.
“I think it was one of my better per­
formances,” Schmidt said. “I was
looking at each hitter, not focusing on
the game all at once. I tried to make
every pitch to every hitter count.”
“It really took the performance of
pitching that no-hitter to win the
game,” Miller said.
Alexis Madrid drove in the only run
of the game on a single in the fifth.
Notre Dame resumes its Big East
schedule this weekend, with two doubleheaders at home
against Boston College and Providence
on Saturday and Sunday respectively.
Both will be played at Iey Field.

NBA
League hits Cuban
with fine after
bizarre antics
Associated Press
Add blowing kisses to the list of unusual antics by
Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban.
Cuban, who has been fined $505,000 this season for
everything from running on the court to sitting beside
it, blew a kiss to Utah coach Jerry Sloan in the closing
minutes of Tuesday night’s playoff game, won by the
Jazz.
“Some guy was yelling and I found out that it was
Cuban,” Sloan said Wednesday. “Some guy yells at
me, I’m probably going to yell back. Had I known it
was him, I probably wouldn’t have yelled. He’s a pow­
erful guy.”
The billionaire fan-turned-owner was visibly and
vocally upset throughout the Mavericks’ 109-98 loss,
which put Dallas down 0-2 in the best-of-five series.
At halftime, Cuban went on TBS to question a refere­
es’ call. He also sat on press row and screamed at
sideline personnel about how the game clock was
being operated.
Then, during a time out with 2:54 left, he pounded
the press table and shouted. Sloan, who was about 35
feet away, replied, “What’s your problem?”
Cuban said Wednesday that his comments were not
directed at the Jazz coach.
“I never said a word to him. Not a single word,”
Cuban said. “I was trying to get a clarification on why
there was a jump ball after an inadvertent whistle with
time left on the shot clock.”
The rules say that if there is time left on the clock,
it’s considered a suspension of play and play resumes
at that point. I got the explanation from the ref, who
was kind enough to take the time. Afterward, I looked
over and Jerry was cursing at me. I was kind of sur­
prised, but I didn’t say a word back. Just blew him a
kiss.”

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Henderson breaks Ruth's walks record

Associated Press

The Man of Steal is about to lift a record from the Sultan of Swat.

Rickey Henderson, who's usually at first base, took a leisurely stroll to first base Tuesday night and tied Babe Ruth's major league record of 2,062 walks.

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The walks record might seem somewhat mundane next to Henderson's many other accomplishments, but it's notable for a pretty big reason— the Babe.

"The name comes to mind and you think about the greatest baseball player that played the game, the guy that probably kept this game alive for so many years," said Henderson, who's been baseball's career stolen base leader for a decade.

"He's Mr. Baseball. Once you get in the category of a Babe Ruth, it means that you went out and you did the best job you can do."

Henderson would have owned the record earlier if not for a statistical adjustment by the commissioner's office in 1999 that added six walks to Ruth's total, 64 years after his last game.

Henderson, who drew the record-tying walk off reliever Chris Brock, put that in perspective like only he can.

"I always wonder, where did he get those walks?" Henderson said. "It was a theory that Babe rose again and went back out there and they gave him six more intentional walks because they were still afraid to pitch to him.

"He got a few more walks, so we just laugh about it." Tony Gwynn, who like Henderson is a probable Hall of Famer, laughs too, but only because his teammate's latest milestone seems a bit surreal.

"Babe Ruth is like the icon of this game," Gwynn said. "To be chasing one of his records, man, it's hard to put it in perspective."

Women's Bookstore Results
Belles of the Ball def. We're 47 years older than you 21-15
Hoopers def. Take 5 21-16
Bre's Ballers def. Team 51 forfeit
5 girls who got cut from the cheerleading squad def. Young Guns 21-12
Slappy's All-Stars def. Loose Balls 21-5
Court Queens def. Farley's Angels 21-14

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really need them there. Your legs feel heavy and your arms feel slow, and you just want to get done."

Mulligan found inspiration for training in her Pasquerella West roommate, Irish women's basketball team member Imani Dunbar, who sent out an all-call to the dorm and hung banners announcing Rene's impressive Boston performance.

"I though, 'If Imani can win a national championship, then I sure better run my best in a marathon,'" said Mulligan. "I learned a lot from her about going for your dreams."

Beginning her 18-week training program for Boston on December 11th, Mulligan followed the Hal Higden program, which includes three 20-mile runs.

"I feel like I learned a lot of lessons in the process of training," Mulligan said. "I learned how to be more flexible, how to stick to a program, and how deal with the cold and things like when you wake up in the morning and it's so cold you can't even walk."

Mulligan was just as challenging dealing with the weather for Mulligan, who is a PLS major and also works at the CSC. "I apologize to my teachers for the times I was dozing in class this semester," Mulligan said. "Sometimes I chose running over sleep, staying out later with friends or getting that reading done before class."

Mulligan and Hinckman are the founders of the Notre Dame Women's Running Club, which had only three members when they started it their freshman year, and now is up to over 30.

"Running is a way to experience the world wherever you are. That's why I think runners get so addicted to it," Mulligan said, who studied running in Spain, in Ireland, in Spain, and in St. Louis when he went to watch Imani win the national championship. "I ran in Ireland, in Spain, and in St. Louis when I went to watch Imani win the national championship. I ran in Boston. It's a constant theme wherever I go," Mulligan said.

STUDENT ORGANIZED LECTURE
Professor Michael Sherry, distinguished historian from Northwestern University will speak on the topic --

"DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL": The Great Debate on Gays-In-The-Military 1993-4

All are invited. Q & A to follow

Monday, April 30
7:00pm
Lafortune Ballroom

Sponsored by the History Department, Knott Hall, the Student Union, the University Standing Committee for Gay and Lesbian Needs, College Democrats and College Republicans
It's never too early to say Goodbye
by Fr. Bill Wack, CSC

Another school year is winding down. For those of us who live here and are planning on staying or returning in the fall, it's sad to see a lot of you move on. At the same time, though, the summer offers us a welcome respite from the daily work here. We don't have to leave the place behind for good yet and pack up all our stuff. For the seniors and other graduating students, however, it's a different story. You have to say "goodbye" to all that is familiar here at ND.

When I was a senior (way back in '89), I thought leaving would be a snap. After all, I was going home to live with my parents again for the summer - and that commute was all of 5 minutes from campus! Plus, I knew that I was probably going to come back to study Theology after a year away. How hard could it be to leave the place?

Because I didn't think it was anything momentous, I never really said 'goodbye' to anyone. My favorite line during April and May was, "I'll see you before I go, so I won't say 'goodbye' right now." Even during finals I used that line a lot. Heck, I had another week and a half to spend with my fellow graduates during Senior Week...about an hour after graduation, I found myself alone in my section in the dorm, gathering up my belongings. Everyone else had already left.

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Injuries end Enis' career

Six weeks ago, Curtis Enis had a chance to end his career over. Now, it's come to an end.

The 24-year-old Enis, a former first-round draft pick who had hoped to resurrect his career with the Cleveland Browns, said Wednesday he is retiring from football because of a degenerative condition in his knee.

Enis was signed by the Browns on March 13 after three disappointing seasons with the Chicago Bears. He said he had been considering retirement for some time and finalized his decision after the NFL-Alumni event camp.

"It's tough," Enis said. "But it's just a part of the game. You come in with so much promise and high hopes of doing well and the injury just wouldn't let it happen."

When he signed with the Browns last month, he averaged an NFL-worst 3.2 yards per carry last season. Enis had been optimistic he would be able to restart his once-promise career. He didn't appear to be bothered by the injury during the Browns mini-camp, but he also didn't have the same explosiveness as he did as a breakaway threat in college.

Enis, the fifth overall pick in the 1993 NFL Draft, gained 84 yards on 36 carries over the Bears' three disappointing seasons. He was traded to the Los Angeles Kings just before the start of the 1993 NFL season.

Enis said he plans to return to school to complete his degree in Commercial Tourism and Recreation and Park Management. He said he has one full semester remaining before he can take his classes and sit on the career listing list at Penn State with 3,256 yards and 51 touchdowns.

The Bears drafted Enis back Jammers of Miami in the third round of last weekend's NFL draft and are still considering making an offer to Corey Dillon, a restricted free agent coming back with the Cincinnati Bengals.

Running back suffers from knee degeneration

The hopefulness of fatherhood remained with Adam Deadmarsh when he received a message that staggered him with the force of a blindside crossthread.

After more than six seasons with the Colorado Avalanche, he was traded to the Los Angeles Kings a move that would require him to leave his wife and 2-week-old twins in an intensive care facility as they recovered from premature labor.

Overcome with emotion and confusion, Deadmarsh cried Feb. 21 when he learned he was part of a trade that brought defenseman Rob Blake to Colorado.

Two months later, he triumphantly returns to Denver as a homecoming king. The top scorer in league history with the Avalanche and seventh-seeded Los Angeles opened their best-of-seven Western Conference semifinals Thursday night at the Pepsi Center.

"I have adjusted. I have settled in with a great bunch of guys," deadmarsh said. "I have tried to work hard."

Deadmarsh said he has adjusted. He has settled in with a great group of guys. They've had a good run to get into the playoffs. Now we are here, and we want to keep it going.

The Avalanche, meanwhile, have been idle for a week since completing a four-game sweep of Vancouver last Wednesday. Like Deadmarsh, Blake played a vital role in helping the Avalanche reach the conference finals. He had one goal, four assists and made several punishing hits that helped Colorado counter the Canucks' physical strategy.

The performance came after Blake missed eight of the final 15 games with an upper body injury. Blake missed the final seven games of the season with an upper body injury.

"I have adjusted. I have settled in with a great bunch of guys." — Adam Deadmarsh, Kings right winger

Saint Mary's ends MIAA play with split with Kalamazoo

By MOLLY McVOY

In their last conference matchup of the season, Saint Mary's split a doubleheader against Kalamazoo, losing 1-0 and winning 2-1.

"Even though we lost the first game, it was a good way to end our conference season," said senior starting pitcher Anne Senger. "We really played well."

Both games belonged to the pitchers, with a total of four runs scored in both games. Senger pitched the first game, where she went six innings, giving up one run on four hits.

The Belles first and only hit came in their first at bat of the game, when Melissa Hayes hit a single to start the game.

"We did hit the ball," head coach John Kovach said. "They [Kalamazoo] made some nice defensive plays against us. We just couldn't get anything going."

"We hit the ball really hard, but we didn't hit it in the gap," Senger said. "We really played well on defense, though. In the first game, our defense played exceptionally well."

The Belles put together more runs in the second game and pulled it out 2-1. Kalamazoo took the early lead with one run in the third inning. Saint Mary's came back and scored one to even it up on a sacrifice fly by Marnie Walsh.

Hayes scored on the sacrifice fly to make the score 1-1. After losing such a close game its easy to get down on yourself," Kovach said. "We did hit the ball hard enough to realize we were going to eventually put something together."

Kalamazoo put together a scoring scare in the seventh when they had two runners on base with one out. Kalamazoo's lead-off hitter knocked a shot that looked like a single to center. Sullivan chased it down and threw the runner out at third base. A fielder's choice ended the scoring threat.

"Kutz did a good job moving the pitches in and out, and we had only one walk in both games," Kovach said. "The defense played really solid."

The Belles close out their season at Goshen College on Saturday. Their loss to Kalamazoo took them out of contention for the MIAA playoffs.
ALUMNI AWARENESS WEEK IS HERE

The Notre Dame Alumni Association and the Student Alumni Relations Group will sponsor the following events:

➡ Alumni Association Open House

Tuesday, April 24 from 11a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune Student Center. This event will be open to all students but is geared towards graduating students. Come and learn about the benefits of your free Alumni Association membership and involvement in your local alumni club. Door prizes include alumni apparel, alumni watch, and a pair of football tickets. Free t-shirts for the first 400 arrivals.

➡ Lunch with Alumni

Friday, April 27 from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in South Dining Hall. Join over 200 alumni club leaders for lunch in South Dining Hall. You’ll find that they’re not just about plaid pants.

➡ Young Alumni Social

Friday, April 27 from 9:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. in Alumni-Senior Club. This event is open to all undergraduate and graduate students who are over 21. Hosted by young alumni, this social is a great opportunity to network with alumni of all ages from across the country. Free pizza will be provided.

➡ Student Alumni Picnic

Saturday, April 28 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in DeBartolo Quad. Join over two hundred and fifty alumni club representatives at an outdoor picnic prior to the Blue-Gold Game. Also, a flag football game will be played by former Notre Dame football players in Notre Dame Stadium prior to the Blue-Gold Game. The Picnic is free of charge for non-meal card holders. Just bring your student ID.***In case of rain, lunch will be served in both dining halls. Sponsored by University Food Services and the Notre Dame Alumni Association.
Helmet worn during fatal play under scrutiny by lawsuit

Associated Press

BOISE, Idaho

A federal lawsuit alleges an Illinois manufacturer of a football helmet that Boise State freshman Paul Reyna was wearing when he suffered a fatal head injury 20 months ago.

The wrongful death complaint was filed April 17 in U.S. District Court on behalf of Reyna's mother, Carolyn Guzman of La Puenta, California.


Reyna, 19, died five days later in a Boise hospital of what the lawsuit said was a "traumatic laceration of the cervical vein, leading to an acute subdural hematoma, leading to brain-stem compression, causing his death."

The 270-pound defensive tackle apparently hit the back of his head on the artificial turf of Bronco Stadium during a preseason scrimmage. Reyna walked off the field but complained of discomfort while sitting on the bench. Surgery that night relieved pressure on his brain, but the damage proved to be fatal.

The lawsuit, filed by Boise attorney Kurt Holzer, alleges negligence, breach of warranty, willful and wanton conduct, design and manufacturing defects and "failure to give adequate warnings to consumers of the dangers not readily apparent from the reasonably foreseeable use" of the helmet.

No specific damage amount is sought by the complaint, which says only that it should be more than $100,000. Holzer said the amount would be determined at trial.

Julie Nimmons, president and chief executive officer of the central Illinois group of companies, did not return calls from The Associated Press on Wednesday.

According to the complaint, the helmet had "inadequate insulation and padding and was susceptible, when used in a reasonable and proper manner intended, to imparting high G-loads upon the heads of its users, thereby causing serious and permanent head injuries and death to users."

WORLD CUP QUALIFYING

Wolff nets game winner for Team USA

Associated Press

Josh Wolff's timing couldn't have been any better.

The sparkplug for the United States in World Cup qualifying this year was about to be replaced Wednesday night. But off a corner kick, he knocked home a rebound for a 1-0 victory over Costa Rica.

Wolff's goal and the steadfast goalkeeping of Kasey Keller gave the Americans a stranglehold on qualifying in the North and Central American and Caribbean region. The Americans are 3-0, with victories over Mexico, Honduras and Costa Rica, considered their staunchest competition in the race for three spots in the 2002 World Cup.

Before a crowd of 37,319, the largest ever for soccer at Arrowhead Stadium, the United States extended its home unbeaten streak in World Cup qualifying to 18. The last loss was in 1985 to Costa Rica, which still holds a 5-4-2 edge over the Americans in qualifying matches.

Costa Rica is 1-1-1 in this round, tied for second with Mexico, which played a 1-1 tie Wednesday at Trinidad and Tobago.

With Ante Razov set to come in for Wolff, the Americans first had a corner kick. Jeff Agoost drive was played by Clint Mathis in the middle of the penalty area. The ball ricocheted to Wolff, who played it off the ground with his left foot and beat goalkeeper Erirck Lonnis in the 70th minute from point-blank range.

His job completed, Wolff celebrated his second game-winner of the three qualifying games, then left the field.

From there, it was Keller's job to protect the lead. He did it with several terrific hand saves, including one on a dangerous header by Paolo Wanchope with eight minutes left.

With fireworks exploding behind the stadium, the U.S. players saluted the crowd by taking a lap around the field. After a lackluster first half, play immediately picked up as both sides threatened. In a span of four minutes, Mathis sent a header wide on a gorgeous cross from David Regis; Earnie Stewart's 25-yard shot was stopped by Lonnis; Wolff broke free in midfield and sent an excellent opportunity in the Costa Rican penalty area. Too often, they had trouble converting.

The United States got one more chance in the closing minutes. With firework exploding behind the stadium, the U.S. players saluted the crowd by taking a lap around the field.

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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Synder pronounced cancer-free

Associated Press

Washington Redskins owner Dan Snyder says he underwent surgery three weeks ago to remove a cancerous thyroid and has been told by his doctors he is now cancer-free.

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Allen pours in 27, dishes 7 assists in Bucks victory

Associated Press

The Milwaukee Bucks wouldn't be bullied.

Fired up by a flagrant foul from Andrew DeClercq, Ray Allen scored a personal playoff-best 27 points as the Bucks beat Orlando 103-96 Wednesday night and took a 2-0 lead in their best-of-five series.

Tracy McGrady scored 35 points, but just five in the fourth quarter as the Magic, trying to be more physical than finesse, lost for the 11th straight time to Milwaukee.

Sam Cassell added 26 points for the Bucks, who won consecutive playoff games for the first time since 1987, when they beat Atlanta two straight en route to a 3-2 series win, the last time Milwaukee advanced past the first round.

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in Indiana. Purdue University, which sponsored this spring's first Midwest collegiate triathlon this past weekend, was the first. Hildebrandt participated in last weekend's event, but the women on the team did not.

"I talked to the men from Purdue and they're very excited [about Saint Mary's's inaugural event]," Hildebrandt said. "This [weekend's race] is a big deal for any triathlon club that's formed."

Results from the race will be passed on to the USTA through the CTA to encourage support for the recently formed association.

Athletes attending the race from Saint Mary's will be financing the two-day trip with their own money.

Five athletes attending Saturday's race are registered members of the club. The other two members have signed up to travel with the club, although they have not been brought in. Hildebrandt will also be competing in the race.

As a long-time competitor in triathlons, Hildebrandt believed it was the perfect place to begin a triathlon club.

"I thought there were so many students who swim and bike, I thought it would be a good idea to have something relaxed to do with students who swim and bike. I thought it would be a good idea to have something relaxed to do with something to do."

The five members of the club will go to the Buckeye Invitational in Columbus this weekend. Hildebrandt will also be competing in the race.

Hildebrandt will be coaching the club next year and will run the club next year, Hildebrandt said. "I'm also looking for two members who will run the club next year."

"Next year the fall will be spent preparing the team for the races in September," Hildebrandt said. "We'll be getting the message out to returning members."

With the official opening of the club to Notre Dame athletes, Hildebrandt said the team will begin in January. With Hildebrandt leaving, who will run the club next year remains questionable.

"I'm going to be asking one of the students if she'd be willing," Hildebrandt said. "I'm also looking to see who we bring in as assistant athletic director, and I've extended the offer to a triathlete who works on campus."

"It's important we find someone who can really organize the group. It needs more cohesion."

By ANTHONY BISHOP

Women's LACROSSE

Irish take care of Buckeyes 18-12

By SALLY WHITE

The Notre Dame women's lacrosse team proved its worth Wednesday, as they handed unbeaten Ohio State 18-12.

The win means the team is 9-4, matching their best ever win total. The Irish also remain undefeated in their region.

The Irish matched Ohio State's rough play not with physical rebuttals, but with speed and control. Last year, they faced hard double- and triple-teaming, but proved to be well prepared Wednesday.

Despite a slippery field and a couple of Buckeye runs, the Irish stayed composed as they cruised to a 18-12 victory.

The Irish seemed to dominate the Buckeyes for most of the game. Notre Dame's strong offensive pressure easily overpowered the hard play by Buckeye defenders while on the sport end, sophomore Jen White stood solid in the crease with six saves. The Irish defense failed to be intimidated by the Buckeye's aggressive play.

The Irish dominated almost every aspect of the game by outnumbering and outworking their opponent. Notre Dame had 39 shots to OSU's 23 and the Irish did a great job of drawing controls to the Buckeyes' 12.

"After the loss to Georgetown on Sunday, we were ready to go from the start," said junior Natalie Luftus, who scored a game-high four goals against Ohio State.

"Everyone was executing and we played well in our transition," Luftus said.

The high speed transition that Notre Dame takes pride in was at full force Wednesday, as the ball quickly moved toward the goal.

Scoring their first two goals only 14 seconds into the game, the Irish jumped out to 6-1 start, including two of those goals from freshman Meredith Simon, before Ohio State started using their band to ball.

"We kept them in the midfield," said senior Leah O'Shaughnessy, who scored one of the Irish's four goals against Ohio State.

"We won the midfield, and had many breaks early in the game, the Irish were led by five-point performances from O'Shaughnessy and Luftus. Luftus led the team with four goals while O'Shaughnessy led with two assists.

O'Shaughnessy's next game will be on Sunday at 1 p.m. Irish will be the final home game this season for O'Shaughnessy and fellow seniors Sarah LeSueur, Tara Durkin and Carrie Marshall.

The game will be against Butler and it will be held at the Mower Kruse Stadium.

Thursday, April 26

5:00 p.m. Antostal bands and laser tag Party in South Bend (begins at 4:00 p.m.)
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Antostal karaoke, South Dining Hall
5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Bookstore Basketball, Stepan Courts
6:30 p.m. "Sacred Compromises and Holy Homoncula: Logos Theology and the Modes of Christian and Jewish Textuality in Late Antiquity," lecture by Daniel Boyarin, Hesburgh Center Auditorium
6:30 p.m. Discussion and viewing of "Date: Show About Farm Workers, Delbarton 119
7:00 p.m. "Love and Shame at Notre Dame" with David O'Conner, DeBartolo 118
8:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Open Rec Lacrosse, Court 1, SRC
8:30 p.m.-Midnight ND Express Billiards games open, LaFortune Student Center
8:30 p.m.-11:00 p.m. Pangborn Pub Fire, Gymnasium Chapel
9:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Antostal DJ, tie-dying and inflatable games, North Quad (begins at 4:00 p.m)
9:00 p.m. Antostal bands and laser tag Party in South Bend (begins at 4:00 p.m.)

Friday, April 27

5:00 p.m. Antostal DJ, die-yelling and inflatable games, North Quad (begins at 4:00 p.m)
5:00 p.m. Elite Eight of Bookstore Basketball, Stepan Courts
5:00 p.m. "Accountability in the Treatment of Prisoners: Introduction to Midwest Groups," lecture by University of Dayton, cinema at the Snite, Pangborn First Date, Alumni Room
6:00 p.m. Open Rec Lacrosse, Court 1, SRC
6:00 p.m. "Farmworker Awareness Week," Pasquerilla Student Center
7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Open Rec Badminton, Court 2, SRC
7:00 p.m. "Summer's Tale", Smith Museum*
8:00 p.m. Movie, "Proof of Life", DeBartolo 101* and "Billy Elliot", DeBartolo 155*
8:00 p.m. Jr. Recital Sean Lipscomb, Irish Wind Club
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9:00 p.m. Antostal concert: KGB, Fieldhouse
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Saturday, April 28

5:00 p.m. Trip to Silver Hawks Baseball Game, Leave from Hesburgh Library Circle*
5:00 p.m. Final Four of Bookstore Basketball, Stepan Courts
6:00 p.m. Graduate Recital Travis Boyette, trumpet, Hesburgh Library Auditorium
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Majestics’ Wolbeck rebounds from ACL to star at Stepan

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Senior Staff Writer

Majestics’ Matt Wolbeck never thought he’d play basketball again. The Notre Dame junior was a hot commodity as a basketball player back in eighth grade in Peoria, Ill. But his basketball career went down the tubes in his first game at Peoria Notre Dame High School.

“The first game of freshman year, I blew my knee out,” Wolbeck said. “I tore my ACL. I came down on my roommate’s foot.”

But his basketball skills were good enough to earn him a scholarship offer from Division II and III programs, and were also attending Holy Cross. The three became fast friends and by the time spring rolled around, they decided to form a Bookstore Basketball team.

As freshmen, Majestics advanced to the round of 32. The next year, with Hartmann now at Notre Dame and the other two still at Holy Cross, then-Holy Cross-freshman Wolbeck joined the squad, with his older brother already on the team. That year, Majestics made it all the way to the top eight.

Each year, Majestics has gone a little bit further in the tournament. Last year, Hartmann, Heberle, Galtier, Wolbeck and Peje Byun, a first-team all-tournament selection who now plays for No. 1 Five Reasons Your Girl Left You, took their game to the final four. Wolbeck played last year’s tournament with a cast on his arm, but it didn’t hold back his team.

“I shattered my ulnar nerve earlier in the season,” Wolbeck said. “‘I smashed it and I had no feeling in my entire arm. I played with a cast on for the entire tournament.’”

Majestics carries a No. 4 ranking into tonight’s Sweet 16. They traded Ryan for another along with- team-all-tournament pick from 2000, Sean McCarthy, picking up a little size in the switch. “We just swapped first-team all-Bookstore players,” Heberle said.

Majestics hope the switch pays off, no one more than Hartmann, a head commision-er of Bookstore who will graduate in May.

“Football season’s fun,” said Hartmann, “but Bookstore’s what I look forward to every year.”
BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXX

Former walk-on Kloska looks to lead NDToday to gold

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Senior Staff Writer

B.J. Kloska always dreamed of being a basketball star at Notre Dame. The senior has become known at Notre Dame for his basketball skills, but not in the way he was imagined. Instead of drawing fans in to the Joyce Center, Kloska's sweet jump shot has attracted them to the Stepan courts to watch Bookstore Basketball.

Growing up in nearby Elkhart as the 10th of 13 kids, all of whom had attended Notre Dame or Saint Mary's, Kloska's natural choice for college was Notre Dame. His oldest brother, Bobby, came home talking about traditions like the Four Horsemen and Knute Rockne, and the rest of the family got caught up in Notre Dame as well. By the time B.J. began looking at colleges, it barely even crossed his mind to attend a different school.

Even more second nature to Kloska than coming to Notre Dame was a vision of himself playing college basketball. As a kid, Kloska's days revolved around basketball — going to school an hour-and-a-half early to game with eight in his final game for his younger brother Joey, three

years behind him at Marian, to match.

"B.J.'s by far the best Kloska to step on the floor," said Mike Kloska, B.J.'s younger brother. "I don't think I quite filled them." In B.J.'s senior year at Marian, he earned third-team all-state honors, was named Metro Player of the Year and became the all-time leading scorer at Marian.

But all the accolades weren't enough for a scholarship offer to Notre Dame, and B.J. decided to pass on playing Division II or III basketball.

"The thought had actually crossed my mind," B.J. said, "but it didn't really cross it for very long because I knew I wasn't going to go to the NBA." Instead, the 6-foot-3 B.J. chose to attend Holy Cross for a year, then cross the street to go to Notre Dame. That year, as a sophomore, he reached his goal of playing basketball for Notre Dame, walking on for Coach John MacLeod's team.

"Playing for the Irish didn't quite match the picture-perfect image B.J. had in his mind. Coming off the bench in the final minute of games was a far cry from his high school role asking to pay. I gave him big shoes to fill. I don't think I quite filled them," B.J.'s older brother Jeff Kloska said. "B.J. outdoes all of us as a basketball player."

B.J.'s older brothers had all played for Marian High School. When B.J. got to Marian, he surpassed them, breaking his older brother's record for 3-pointers in a game with eight in his final game at Marian. He set high standards for his younger brother Joey, three
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BASEBALL

No. 1 Notre Dame splits twin bill with Valparaiso

By COLIN BOYLAN
Sports Writer

It turns out the Irish only have so much late inning magic, after all.

After defeating Valparaiso 7-3 in the first inning of an evening doubleheader, the Notre Dame baseball team was unable to come back from a late deficit, losing a close 4-2 game in the second contest.

The Irish trailed 4-1 in the final inning of the nightcap, but fought to keep their 16 game winning streak alive. With runners Paul O'Toole and Andrew Bushey on the corners after consecutive singles, designated hitter Ken Meyer stepped up to the plate.

Irish Guts collectively held their breath and prayed for a repeat of last week's heroics, when Meyer hit a two out grand slam to give the team a 6-4 victory against Central Michigan.

It was not to be, however, as Meyer was only able to manage a slow ground ball to first base. And while the grounder brought O'Toole home, the batter next batter Joe Thaman and Steve Stanley both made outs to end the game.

While the loss snapped Notre Dame's longest winning streak in more than eight years, head coach Paul Mainieri was not dwelling on that fact.

"Any time you lose, it's disappointing," said Mainieri. "But we played very well in the first game, and I'd like to think our team will focus on that aspect."

The first game was textbook Notre Dame baseball. The team scored early, thanks to the hustle of Stanley, their leadoff man.

The junior center fielder opened the game with a base hit off Valparaiso's Eric Brauer. He then proceeded to steal both second and third base before scoring on Alec Puren's sacrifice fly.

The game remained close until the fourth inning, when the Irish bats struck again. Designated hitter Matt Bok ripped a triple to right-center, scoring Bushey, and subsequently came home on a sacrifice fly from Thaman. Four consecutive hits by Steve Sollman, Brian Stavisky and Kris Billmaier brought home three more runs and ended Brauer's evening. By the end of the inning, the Irish led 7-0.

That was plenty of cushion for starting pitcher Drew Duff who, despite making only his second start of the year, pitched like a veteran, striking out four and allowing only two hits through five innings of work.

Ryan Kaila came on in the sixth to finish out the seven-inning contest. Although the junior reliever ran into a little trouble in his two innings of work, he was nonetheless

Triathlon club set to race

By KATIE McVOY
Sports Writer

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Mulligan joins nation's elite with Boston finish

By KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writer

It's fun to be part of something big. It's better to be among the best at something big.

Senior Rene Mulligan was the 67th woman to cross the finish line at the 105th Boston Marathon on April 16, finishing the 26.2 mile course in 3 hours and 3 minutes.

Boston attracts more than 50,000 of the best marathoners in the world, and Mulligan's time puts her among the nation's elite.

"I once made this list of things I wanted to do in my life," said Mulligan. "Running a marathon was on it. So was skydiving and mountain climbing, though I haven't done either of them yet."

Mulligan, who finished 1,216th overall, qualified to run in Boston by running 3:09 in October's Chicago marathon, her first one. Based on that performance, she was expected to finish 4:26:90th overall.

"Being able to run the marathon is the reward for your training," Mulligan said. "I went to Boston just planning to enjoy it and see what I could do."

Running through the neighborhoods of Boston as more than half a million people watched, wearing an "Irish" shirt and slapping kids' hands as she passed, Mulligan maintained a pace of 7:04 per mile.

"There are just walls of people cheering for you," Mulligan said. "The point where you have six miles to go is the hardest. You

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Irish leadoff hitter and centerfielder Steve Stanley dives back to the first base bag against Bowling Green Tuesday. The junior went 3-for-4 at the plate against Valparaiso.

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By KATIE MCVoyal
Sports Writer

They're going the distance, but they're going for more than speed. They're going to get physical; they're going to get their names out; they're going to prove a point.

Six Saint Mary's students and one Notre Dame student will be taking part in the Southern Illinois University triathlon this Saturday in a push to bring the attention of intercollegiate triathlon to collegiate

triathletes.

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