Poorman unveils new alcohol policy

Policy prohibits hard liquor, dances in dorms and outlines new tailgating rules

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

The University's top student life official announced Monday broad changes to the school's alcohol policy, challenging students to drink responsibly and heading off his own concerns about an alcohol-centered campus climate. Father Mark Poorman, vice president for student affairs, announced three landmark changes that target drinking among undergraduate students:

- A ban on "hard" alcohol in residence halls
- A ban of tailgating dances
- A rewriting of the tailgating policy to permit of-age students to drink in designated parking lots on home football weekends

The changes -- the first major revisions since 1988 -- may prove a watershed moment.

"I feel if we needed some change two years ago," Poorman said. "We looked hard at what we think would have the greatest impact on campus. The changes have been something we've heard over the past two years."

Poorman announced the changes Monday to the alcohol task force of Notre Dame's first student-run Web site NDToday.com. From there, the policy amendments will slowly introduce the measures to the Notre Dame community gathering on March 25.

For nearly two weeks, visitors to the site will find messages about the University tightening the alcohol policy.

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Students enjoy the new Starbucks that opened in LaFortune over spring break. The coffee shop will be open until 4 a.m. on weekends and the manager hopes it will become a new late-night destination on North Quad.

"We filled up our shifts immediately," said Labella, adding that he had to turn many applicants away.

"We were eager to apply for jobs with Starbucks once they heard it was opening a shop on campus," said students.

"This place reminds me of it," said Abt who ordered a tall chai tea.

"I think everyone's really happy that it's open," said D'Oonnell, who is from Michigan. "They did a really good job representing [Starbucks]."

Devereaux added that she was an avid Starbucks drinker and thought the business would be a good addition to campus.

"I think it's more unique than any place on campus," Devereaux said.

Although Starbucks might have some recognition with students, there are still other businesses on campus that sell coffee, including Reckers and the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore. These shops, especially Reckers, have contributed to a southward and westward migration during

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Poorman acknowledged that the current policy is disjointed and doesn't clearly spell out rules governing on-campus drinking among undergraduates. A more "user-friendly" policy in the fall will provide clearer guidelines, he said.

"In general, it's a good policy," Poorman said. "It just needed improvements to lead to a healthier, safer environment."

"It's an environment that will prohibit hard liquor in dorms. Poorman believes the move will cut down on intoxication, alcohol poisoning and hospitalization which usually involve students consuming drinks with high alcohol content. He offered no clear-cut definition for "hard liquor," saying officials would base that determination on proof, or alcohol, content.

On a non-residential campus

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Starr, LaFortune: CLOUDY

Fleck's new album flows with solo talent

This live album strengthens Bela Fleck's already influential name in music and is another feat for the world's greatest banjo player.

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ND grad dies in Hancock scaffolding accident

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

During the mid-semester break, some members of the Notre Dame community gathered in Merrillville, Ind. to remember 1994 Notre Dame graduate Melissa Cook who died after scaffolding from Chicago's John Hancock Center fell to the ground in high winds, killing three people on March 9, the day of the accident. Cook was driving with her cousin, Jill Nelson, and their mothers to her 30th birthday celebration at a restaurant in the city. She stopped at the traffic light in front of Hancock Center to let a pedestrian pass when the scaffolding gave way, killing both Cook and Nelson, a Purdue graduate, who were in the front of the car. Cook's mother and her aunt, Nelson's mother, were in the back seat and survived with injuries.

The Chicago Tribune reported that police are investigating the cause of the accident, which some have attributed to high winds and others to poor regulation of the scaffolding. Both Cook's parents and the family of the third victim, Nanita Cameron, have filed wrongful

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INSIDE COLUMN

Come sail away

Or captain my captain. Oh, no.
I checked my email late on Monday night and was flung into a fit of shocked disbelief over some changes to the alcohol policy I knew that the vague statistics will be attacked, the pros and cons and more cons of the policy will be debated vehemently, and the "to drink or not to drink, wait, no, college kids always drink" tendencies will be intricately examined in the pages of the Observer in the next few weeks. It will get ugly and maybe a bit redundant, no doubt.

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"In the last year say it is the only form of con­" Our hundred percent of college students will drink if they want to no matter what the policy is. Some 89.2 percent of girls say that beer tastes like bubbly, bitter shiznit, and 45 percent of guys drink if they want to no matter what the policy is. Twel­"with this math equation: "not drinking in dorms=drinking off campus=messing with one of the coolest things about living here."

"the little voice in my head that just keeps saying "why, oh why, ohhhhh why does the man keep us down?" I decided to do some of my own informal research on the subject of alcohol.

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"After giving myself ample time to move through the stages of grief over the loss of the alcohol policy, and as I move into the final stage of dealing with grief and acceptance, I will have already.

"Contact Katie Hughes at Hughes.396@umn.edu."

"The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer."

Corrections/Clari fications

In the March 7 issue of The Observer, a front-page article about the FacultySenate correctly reported that this year's senate recorded last year's vote to abolish the group. The senators only mentioned that they 'were not drunk, they're sober." T h e senators only mentioned that they 'were not drunk, they're sober."

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BEYOND CAMPUS

Arizona student charged with killing her infant

TUCSON, Ariz. A University of Arizona student is facing a first-degree murder charge after allegedly killing her newborn baby and burying it in the backyard of her parents' eastside home, police officials said.

Heather M. Porzel, an agriculture sophomore, was arrested March 9 on the charge of killing her newborn daughter just after birth, Tucson Police Department Sgt. Marco Borboa said.

Porzel said Porzel gave birth to the baby in the bathroom of the home and buried it a week later in the backyard.

Borboa said on the night of March 9, Porzel's mother called 911 after her 18-year-old brother found the family dog had dug up the newborn infant in the backyard of their home. Borboa added that an autopsy revealed the baby was a healthy female with blond hair and 3 inches of umbilical cord attached to her belly.

Police said although the baby appeared to have been born healthy, they didn't know whether she was buried alive.

Although results from the autopsy didn't reveal how she died, it has been confirmed as a homicide, Borboa said.

Porzel was booked into Pima County Jail on a $1 million bond. On Friday morning, Pima County Jail officials said Porzel declined interviews from all news reporters.

Porzel's mother declined com­"For the students who depend solely on financial aid to pay their college expenses, the cancellation of a loan could be devastating. Such was the case for Florida State grad­uate student Kristina Goodwin when she learned the Sallie Mae/American Express lender, Sallie Mae/American Express, was no longer in business.

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Student leaders react to new policy

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

Displeased with sweeping changes to the Student Alcohol policy, student leaders decried the modifications Monday and vowed to organize a campus movement against the decision.

"It's really hard for me to accept that these three things are the solution to the drinking problem," said Brooke Norton, student body president, referring to the trio of changes officials unveiled Monday. "I think there are the solution to the drinking problem," said Brooke Norton, student body president, referring to the trio of changes officials unveiled Monday. "I think there are the solution to the drinking problem," said Brooke Norton, student body president, referring to the trio of changes officials unveiled Monday. "I think there are the solution to the drinking problem," said Brooke Norton, student body president, referring to the trio of changes officials unveiled Monday. "I think there are the solution to the drinking problem," said Brooke Norton, student body president, referring to the trio of changes officials unveiled Monday. "I think there are the solution to the drinking problem," said Brooke Norton, student body president, referring to the trio of changes officials unveiled Monday. "I think there are the solution to the drinking problem," said Brooke Norton, student body president, referring to the trio of changes officials unveiled Monday. "I think there are..." Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance... Norton recollected that since she's been a student here, she's worked with administrators throughout several tradition-rich events — Sophomore Siblings weekend, campuses football tickets and the freshman Graffiti Dance...
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Explorers find Incan ruins in Peru

Associated Press

LIMA

Explorers have found the extensive ruins of an Inca town, complete with human remains, sprawled spectacularly across a mountain in southern Peru, the expedition leaders said Monday.

The ancient settlement clings to the slopes of a rugged peak in a region of the Andes Mountains where the Incas hid after the Spanish conquest. It consists of more than 100 structures, including a ridge-top truncated pyramid, ceremonial platforms and a five-mile-long irrigation channel.

British archaeologist Peter Frost, who led an eight-member expedition to the area last year, said it is the largest Inca site found since 1964 when American explorer Gene Savoy discovered Vitcosamba, considered the capital of the empire's jungle refuge.

"Few, if any, Spanish conquista­ tors ever reached the southern part of Vilcabamba," Frost said in an interview, referring to the region around Vilcabamba. "This site may ultimately yield a record of Inca civilization from the very beginning to the very end, undisturbed by European contact—an unparalleled opportunity."

The Incas ruled Peru from the 1430s until the arrival of the Spaniards in 1532, constructing state-block cities and roads and developing a highly organized and militarized society.

The settlement is 290 miles southeast of Lima and about 24 miles southwest of Machu Picchu.

"The site turned out to be far more extensive than we expected," said Alfredo Valencia, a Peruvian archaeologist.

Mom gets life sentence for drownings

Associated Press

HOUSTON

Andrea Yates was formally sentenced to life in prison Monday for drowning her five children in the bathtub.

 Asked by state District Judge Belinda Hill if she had anything to say, Yates shook her head no. The judge then told Yates she was going to prison for two concurrent life terms for drowning three of her children.

"Good luck to you, Mrs. Yates," Hill said as she dismissed the 37-year-old former nurse, who will be eligible for parole in 2041.

Defense attorney George Parnham asked that Yates stay at the Harris County Jail for as long as possible to continue receiving care for her mental illness. She will be closely watched for at least 30 days and then remain in protective custody, prison officials said.

Yates twice last week rejected an insanity defense and convicted Yates of capital murder in the drownings of Noah, 7, John, 5, and 6-month-old Mary. Evidence also was presented about the drownings of Paul, 3, and Luke, 2.

Yates' defense attorney, Wendi Odom, asked the jury to reject the defense of diminished capacity and said the 37-year-old was a "nonremorseful" husband who was inattentive to his sister's needs.

"I think that any man and woman whose spouse was severely down, confused, that sick, that I would do whatever it would take to make sure my other half would get the help that was necessary," Odom said.

"I thought Andrea right now thrives on solitude and being quiet and being away from it all," her family, however, was far from quiet.

Brian Kennedy, her brother, in an interview broadcast on ABC's "Good Morning America," called Russell Yates an "unemotional" husband who was insensitive to his sister's needs.

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Bradley A. Swabb, 26. Police said his injuries were consistent with a motor vehicle accident. "There is a lot of trauma to the head and face," Capt. Robert Weller told The Star Press. "I can't tell you that's the cause of death or how that occurred."

World News Briefs

Cuba arrests drug trafficker: Cuba announced Monday it was holding an alleged Colombian drug trafficker and challenged the U.S. to join Cuba in the fight against narcotics smuggling. The Cuban government did not say whether it would hand over Rafael Miguel Bustamante Bolanos to the U.S. if such an agreement was signed, but suggested it would be more cooperative if agreements existed.

Four killed in Kyrgyzstan riot: Supporters of a jailed opposition battle­ ried police in southern Kyrgyzstan, leaving four dead and dozens injured. The president urged calm and said the raw clash symbolized his political forces for the violence. Opposition groups said riot police inflicted the violence, while officials insisted demonstrators started the rampage.

National News Briefs

Bush focuses on economic recovery: While some experts say the recession is already over, President Bush has decided to focus on restoring economic health until the last report confirms a recovery. He brought a job-growth message on Monday to Missouri, where he was raising money for the White House's hand-picked Senate candidate.

Floods ravage Kentucky, Tennessee: A second day of heavy rains in the hills of Kentucky and Tennessee triggered floods and mudslides Monday that destroyed dozens of homes and forced some to flee by boat as water lapped at the rooftops. Tennessee authorities blamed at least five deaths on the storm, which dumped as much as 6 inches of rain on the region Sunday. Throughout Kentucky, at least 250 homes were damaged or destroyed. Officials called the flooding in eastern Kentucky the worst in the region in 25 years.

Indiana News Briefs

Woman finds body in alley: A woman walking her child to school Monday morning discovered a man's body in an alley on the city's south side. Investigators Monday afternoon still were trying to determine a cause of death for the victim, identified as Bradley A. Swabb, 26. Police said his injuries were consistent with a motor vehicle accident. "There is a lot of trauma to the head and face," Capt. Robert Weller told The Star Press. "I can't tell you that's the cause of death or how that occurred."
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ights. Rather than taking away business from the other places, Labella said Starbucks could be a complement to them.
"Starbucks is really more than a coffee shop," said Labella. "We want to create a cool place to hang out - sort of like Reckers. Our hope is to create the late night space on the north side of campus."
At the same time, Labella said he wants it to be a com-
fortable atmosphere that is not only for sheltering up.
"We're hoping the students respect the place," said Labella.
Starbucks will be open from Monday through Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. to 2 a.m., Thursday and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 a.m., Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 4 a.m. and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. In addition to cash, the store accepts Flex Points and Domer Dollars.
Contact Helena Payne at Payne.30@nd.edu.

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suggestions of who they would like to see at commencement," said Dampeer. "We hope that the students are excited to have Secretary Chao on campus."
Dampeer said she will suggest to the commencement planning committee that a Saint Mary's student accompany Chao for the day to represent the College.
Chao will also deliver the commencement address at DePauw University in Greencastle, Ind., following her visit to Saint Mary's.
As the head of the Department of Labor, Chao manages issues such as wages and work hours, workplace safety and pension and health benefits.
Prior to coming to the Department of Labor, Chao was a distinguished fellow at The Heritage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy think tank.
Previously she served as president and chief executive officer of United Way of America (UNA), where she restored public trust and confidence in the nation's largest charitable-giving institution after it was tarnished by mismanagement.
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HP - Compaq proxy fight nears an end

Associated Press

CUPERTINO, Calif.
The proxy fight over the $21 billion acquisition of Compaq Computer Corp. by Hewlett-Packard Co. gave individual investors a rare chance to directly influence the fate of two companies — and perhaps an entire industry.

HP’s shareholder vote on the deal Tuesday shaped up as one of the closest corporate elections ever. The company and opponent William Hewlett both claimed to have momentum over the other.

Although both sides left open the possibility they would announce Tuesday that they had won, the official results won’t be known for weeks. Independent proxy counters must verify each vote, and each side can challenge whether the proper people signed certain ballots.

HP and Compaq say the deal is essential for their long-term survival in the consolidating computer industry, and HP chief Carly Fiorina has staked her reputation on seeing the acquisition through.

Hewlett, the son of one of HP’s late co-founders, says HP is overpaying for Compaq, would get bogged down selling low-margin personal computers and services and can’t afford to risk the complex integration of the companies’ massive organizations.

Coming into Tuesday, about 22 percent of HP stock — including the 18 percent held by the Hewlett and Packard families and foundations — had come out against the acquisition. About 9 percent was publicly in favor.

That gave an unusual amount of power to individual investors, who control one-fourth of HP stock.

Consequently, the company and Hewlett swamped HP’s 900,000 shareholders with letters, advertisements, tele marketers’ phone calls and multiple ballots, since investors can change their votes as many times as they want.

“This company has a lot of investors, and every one of them is going to count,” said Hewlett spokesman Todd Glass.

Most investors mailed their proxies, but at least 1,000 shareholders were expected to cast their votes in person at HP’s meeting Tuesday in Cupertino.

Former HP engineer Jane G. Evans, 75, already voted her shares for the deal but said she would attend the meeting to try to persuade fellow retirees to approve the acquisition too.

“I think it will revitalize our company and drive it into the future,” she said.

Rarely do proxy fights turn into such cliffhangers, said Charles Elson, director of the Center for Corporate Governance at the University of Delaware.

“Usually you get a pretty good sense of how it’s going to go one or two days out. The fact that neither side is claiming victory shows that this ranks up there as one of the closer ones,” Elson said. “It’s going to go down to the wire.”

The most recent proxy fight to come into such cliffhangers, said Elson, was last year’s banking merger of Wachovia Corp. and First Union Corp., which was approved by 60 percent of Wachovia shares after rival SunTrust Banks Inc. made an unsolicited takeover bid for Wachovia.

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Too close to call

The merger between Hewlett-Packard Co. and Compaq Computer Corp., the computer industry’s biggest merger, is being decided Tuesday as shareholders vote in one of the closest corporate elections ever.

HP’s stock performance, daily closings per share

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dead lawsuits.

Cook, an accounting major, played softball for her first two years at Notre Dame under the team's then-head coach Brian Boul, now an assistant athletic director for the Joyce Center.

"She always gave her best," said Boul, who recruited Cook from Merrillville High School in Indiana where she played shortstop.

Boul said Cook often smiled and joked with her teammates to lift their spirits.

"She put everybody at ease," he said.

Alcohol

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where dorms are central to student life, the long-standing tradition of dances in residence halls will go the same way as potental alcohol.

Poorman said the in-dance ban springs from a pattern of students ditching the dance to drink.

"Some of the most problematic behavior occurs at dances where the focus is on individual gatherings," he said. "But it also means that some hall officials would have input in the policy that will appear in the DUlac housing deposits refunded, Poorman said.

"They still come back for football weekends and they're always together," said Joe Russo, director of financial aid and the father of one of Cook's close friends.

The funeral of Cook and Nelson was Saturday at Saints Paul and Peter Church in Merrillville, Indiana. The two were buried side-by-side.

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Board of Governance

Board grants more money to campaign

By SARAH RYKOWSKI

In the last week for the current Saint Mary's Board of Governors, members voted to increase the amount of money given to the Senior Leadership Campaign's campaign after conferences with representatives from the committee and discussion. Combined with a previous grant, the BCG has donated a total of $595 to the campaign.

"We re-evaluated what they were doing and decided that we needed to help them out more," said Michelle Nagle, Saint Mary's student body president. "Originally, we weren't sure where all of the money was going. With a clear understanding, it was easier for us to decide what we needed to do."

Prior to a spring break, BCG granted the committee $145 to help educate the student body on the group's mission to encourage seniors to donate to the college in their final year as students and also after they graduate.

This week, BCG agreed to allocate an additional $450 to assist the campaign with mailing and publicity.

The Board also approved two co-sponsorships in Monday's meeting. Erin Schenz and Julia Fletcher represented themselves and those students who will be traveling down to Clifty Falls State Park to attend a conference sponsored by the Indiana Branch of the American Society for Microbiology. Schenz, Fletcher and one other Saint Mary's senior will be presenting the research they completed for their senior comprehensive.

"It will be a great chance for us to network and get feedback on our research," Schenz said. "The two juniors will benefit from the exposure. It is also a really good chance for professors to walk around and get a feel of the graduates that are out there."

Fletcher and Schenz asked for $498 to cover the costs of a car rental, lodging and food for their trip.

"There will be lots of undergraduates and graduates there," Fletcher said. "We will represent our department. We found some new information in our comps, we would like the chance to present it to people."

Schenz also stated the group plans to present their experiences in the biology club at Saint Mary's, the parent organization in the microbiology club on campus.

Brigid Buhrief, the president of Saint Mary's chapter of Toastmasters International, asked BCG for a co-sponsorship to cover the costs of a reception to reintroduce the chapter to the campus. Toastmasters International is an organization devoted to helping students improve their public speaking skills.

"We lost our chartership during the 1999-2000 school year," Buhrief said. "We will run a campaign, and we have rechartered the club this year. On April 7 we are planning a charter meeting, and the district governor of Toastmasters is coming from Indianapolis to present our charter.

"We all worked very hard to make it happen," Buhrief said. "We can't do any fundraising through Toastmasters — it is not allowed in Indiana."

Toastmasters International's rules do allow for clubs to collect dues, but most of that, Buhrief said, had to go towards the charter this year.

Before it lapsed two years ago, Toastmasters International had been a presence on campus since 1980. It now boasts 20 members, Buhrief said. BCG approved $250 to assist the club in preparations for the reception.

In other BCG news:

• Tiffany Mayerhofer, Student Activities Board coordinator, announced that "How Well Do You Know Your Roommate" will take place in Dallways coffeehouse on Wednesday, March 30, at 7 p.m. According to Mayerhofer, "Ocean's 11" will be shown at the club.

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NAACP protests S.C. flag during ND games

By TYLER ROSEN and CRAIG KAPERSTEIN
The Duke University Chronicle

GREENVILLE, S.C.

While the Duke University basketball team battled Winthrop and Notre Dame inside Greenville, S.C.'s Re-Lo Center this weekend, a different battle raged outside the arena.

During two of the three NCAA Tournament sessions over the weekend, representatives from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People protested the Confederate flag's presence on the grounds of the state Capitol building in Columbia, S.C.

"We want to remind America that economic sanctions will continue against South Carolina because the state insists on dis­respecting African-Americans and all those who cherish freedom," Nelson Rivers, director of the NAACP's South Carolina chapter, said after the Saturday session.

Before Saturday's Duke-Notre Dame tip-off, pro-flag demonstrators, who held up large Confederate flags and signs, waited for the NAACP, which had conducted a mile-long march to the arena earlier in the morning.

Winston McCuen, one of about 25 pro-flag protesters that turned out Saturday afternoon, said the Confederate flag had been moved from atop the Capitol dome in July 2000 to a special memorial on the Capitol grounds, he said, "to preserve its location before a bullet from a member of the NAACP, he would not comment until after the sea­son.

"I think that situation is wrong." Teammate Mike Dunleavy, Duke tri-captain, expressed his dislike of the flag.

"The state shouldn't have flown any people's way of thought or way of living," Jones said. "I think that situation is wrong.

"State-wise, country-wise, there are a lot of things our country takes pride in," Dunleavy said. "Certainly, I'm not someone who supports the Confederate flag because of what it does represent. I think to each his own — everybody has his own opinion on it, so I don't really want to get into it further than that."
San Francisco OKs instant runoffs

Associated Press

This city became the first major U.S. city to adopt instant runoffs for nearly all municipal races, a move that is encouraging fringe candidates — always a boisterous voice here — to think they may actually have a chance on Election Day.

Currently, if no candidate for a city office gets more than 50 percent of the vote, a runoff is held weeks or months later between the top two vote-getters.

The new instant system would avoid this second round of balloting by allowing the voters to rank candidates as their first, second and third choice. Those preferences would be used to pick a winner.

The idea won 55 percent approval from San Francisco voters on March 5.

Opponents have criticized it as undemocratic and confusing. Proponents have said it will open the process to fringe candidates, giving them more opportunity to be elected.

Currently, if no candidate for a major city office, including mayor, sheriff, treasurer, district attorney, public defender and Board of Supervisors, gets enough second choice votes tallied and distributed, a runoff is held whenever a candidate fails to get a majority.

Under the system, the candidate with the least number of votes is eliminated, and the second choices of eliminated candidates are applied to the remaining candidates. The process goes through in instant runoffs since 1941.

In Vermont, where the Legislature steps in and picks the winner if no one gets a majority for governor, lieutenant governor and treasurer, 51 communities recently approved nonbinding resolutions in favor of instant runoffs. Alaska will have a referendum on the ballot this fall.

The San Francisco system will be different from the one in Cambridge, where voters pick from a slate of candidates to fill multiple slots — a method that makes it possible to win with only 10 percent of the vote.

In San Francisco, the process will be used for most major city offices, including mayor, sheriff, treasurer, district attorney, public defender and the Board of Supervisors. The counting method will kick in whenever a candidate falls to get a majority.

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The third choices of voters whose first and second choices have been eliminated are applied to the remaining candidates, and so on, until someone gets a majority.

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San Francisco is the only large city in the nation to approve instant runoffs for local elections. With instant runoffs, separate runoffs are not needed when no candidate wins a majority of first choice votes.
Policies hurt residential communities

One point still needs to be made on "The Vagina Monologues." A lot of things could be said. But I offer here no criticism of the students who participated in the play or attended it nor of the author and promoters. And if the play had been done for a class in a course and given to others, including non-students, and published as a book in the library, there would be no objection.

The only issue I raise here is the judgment of the administration in permitting academic units to sponsor a public play which presents an act of pedophilia as a benefit to the child-victim. "Pedophilia," as commonly used today, includes adult-child sex, whether heterosexual, man-boy or woman-girl and whether or not the child is pre-pubescent. Each is an objective moral wrong because it is contrary to nature and the divine law of the author of that nature. The sexual exploitation of male and female children is a problem in many countries. The Department of Justice reports that 67 percent of all U.S. victims of sexual assault are under the age of 18, 34 percent are under age 12 and most permutations are sexual. As seen recently in Boston, the scandal is generated by relatively few homosexual, pedophile priests, facilitated by negligent bishops, has rocked the Catholic Church in many countries. Against this background, I would think that the administrators of any institution that claims to be Catholic would avoid any equivoication on pedophilia of any sort. Yet our leaders let Notre Dame be used for a public play which presented pedophilia — child abuse — as a benefit to the victim. Our leaders acted here, as elsewhere, in what they saw as the best interest of Notre Dame and its students. The problem is a failure of prudential judgment. To put it in context let us consider the monologue in question.

In "The Little Coochi Snorcher That Could," an adult female and a little girl laugh and drink together.

The University has also shown a disturbing trend toward cancelling alcohol-related events in recent years. Events that were once considered unexceptional because they included fundraising, such as the Graffiti Dances, Weekend Sophomores Weekend and camps for football tickets, have been eliminated by an administrative fear of alcohol-related consequences. Each decision caused the cancellation of a campus tradition with no apparent educational benefit.

Our leaders offer Notre Dame — "the University of Our Lady" — as a forum for a public portrayal of an act of pedophilia as a "salvation" for the child-victim. Perhaps our leaders did not know what was in "The Monologues." If they were negligent, the George O'Leary experience could raise that as a possibility. Or maybe our leaders knew the play contained this favorable portrayal of pedophilia as a benefit to the victim and still approved its public presentation. If so, their misjudgment rose to a new level beyond ordinary stupidity. Or maybe our leaders knew it was wrong but were unwilling to risk the ire of various activists. If so, one might understandably suspect that we are governed by anatomical wonders with neither brains nor guts. In any event, no amount of academic double-talk can justify this public presentation at a Catholic university, which is what Notre Dame claims to be.

This misjudgment by our leaders is very serious as well as irreparable, especially in light of the pedophilia crisis in the Church and elsewhere. The University has a duty to rectify this blunder. That rectification will be advanced by the resignation of all those responsible from their administrative positions.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Alcohol. The cause of — and solution to — all of life's problems.

Homer Simpson

cartoon character

NDToday Observer Poll Question

Should Notre Dame make the proposed changes to the alcohol policy?

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In response to Professor Charles Rowe’s Feb. 26 comments about homophobia, I ask him to tell us what he (speaking for himself as a man, a father and a grandfather) considers the “grave disorder” at the core of homophobia. Is he familiar with or does he have reasoned objection to the approach of the Notre Dame Standing Committee for Gay and Lesbian Student Needs to this topic? Since he thinks the American Academy of Pediatrics is wrong to endorse adoption by same-sex couples, perhaps he thinks homosexual behavior as a sort of succumbing to “the cruel dice” of psychopathology inherently incompatible with parenthood. But international manipulation and exploitation and child abuse are forms of savagery not unknown among heterosexual married couples. Are homosexual couples inherently selfish, likely to avoid all obligations to their own and future generations? Neither Professor Rowe nor the Vatican has evidence supporting such a claim. Professor Rowe’s objection to adoption by same-sex couples is, if anything, a religiously-based imposition of selfishness on persons he does not know and in no position to judge. Goodness to authority has a place in the life of any Roman Catholic. Nevertheless, to make repeated accusations that a group of people, no more likely to treat others as tools or objects of contempt than anyone else, are gravely disobedient, simply because some ecclesiastical documents assert this to be the case, is to make a tool of oneself, and to mock the parable of the Good Samaritan.

Edward Manier philosophy professor March 18, 2002

When I first set foot on Notre Dame’s campus as a freshman, I thought I had all the answers and that my beliefs and values were set in stone. Nearly four years later, I know not only how those answers, beliefs and values have changed, but also immature and wrong I had been. This makes it easy to understand how Vincent Mata could throw off such arrogance and insulting remarks in his letter “Truth is not relative” in The Observer on Mar. 7. Catholic doctrine is in fact opinion. It is just as much an opinion as Buddhist doctrine, Jewish doctrine or any of the countless others. While Catholic doctrine “flows from the truths God has revealed to man,” it is based on the belief that God exists. As there has never been any concrete evidence that can clearly prove the existence of God, this completely becomes a matter of personal opinion or faith. You have the choice to believe in the existence of God and in Catholic doctrine, good for him, but that is only his opinion and it is not made into a universal for all of us “scandalous, anti-Catholic sinners.”

Secondly, how offensive, closed-minded and arrogant of Mata to assume that Catholic doctrine is the only correct one. Out of the thousands and thousands of religions and sects of the past and present, he has the audacity to claim that his is the only one to come from truth. That isn’t strength in faith, that is ignorance and disrespect to the beliefs of others. The great philosopher John Stuart Mill believed that as soon as we refuse to question our values and beliefs we are left with nothing but “dead dogmas.” These “dead dogmas” are hollow and without substance as they are never challenged or tested and thus never forced to be compared with other values or beliefs. Maybe Mata would like to transform Catholic doctrine into a “dead dogma.” That way he can be rid of us “open-minded types” and become a follower, unquestioningly believing anything the Vatican cares to wish. Or maybe four more years of education and life experiences will open his mind and soul and allow him to see real truth, not youthful arrogance masquerading as truth.

David Fulton senior off-campus March 18, 2002

PROVIDENCE, R.I.

Jeshal Skonnick
Brown Daily Herald

This past weekend, you probably heard a lot about the luck of the Irish. In fact, I’m willing to bet that beer-soaked festivities this Saint Patrick’s Day resulted in a lot of luck for Irish people this weekend. But despite their potential sexual fortunes, the Irish simply don’t compare to the Americans.

Despite everything that has happened to this country in the past six months, we continue to enjoy a string of luck that is virtually unprecedented in history. For a while during the “90s, we gambled on the fact that luck, rather than sacrifice, would keep the peace. On Sept. 11, we lost big. But we still refused to leave the table. We continued to rely on luck, rather than targeted military action, to ensure our safety. By fearing the necessary expansion of the war on terror, we forgot what Kenny Rogers so wisely told us in “The Gambler” — “You gotta know when to hold ’em, know when to fold ’em, know when to walk away, and know when to run.” Put simply, if we do not take action against potential threats, we are, again, relying on a lucky roll of the dice to keep us protected.

Sure, we had a good streak going. But as President Bush and few others recognize, it’s time to stop gambling with our future. It’s time to stop trusting that this mysterious “luck of the Americans” is going to protect us from Saddam Hussein. It may be the case that only bombs and sacrifice can accomplish this.

Today in Iraq, we have a vicious murderer of thousands of his own people ruling the country. Hussein’s regime has been in contact with terrorists in the past. And he is fast building a program that will produce weapons of mass destruction. But who cares? We’re America — nothing so terrible as Sept. 11 can happen again.

The fact that we’ve never had a terrorist device exploded in a major city of ours isn’t simply luck — we’re above the curve due to a dice rolling that has ruled the fate of every previous civilization. We’ve had so many hands, that we’ve erred and been great.

Our fortune has become almost impossible to position of who we are; it’s inherent in our citizenship. We guarantee that if we do indeed use physical force to disarm Iraq’s nuclear arsenal there will be an immediate and unthinking outcry against this action by the majority of students at Brown. Why is this? Because much of the left-wing politics in this country assumes that we need not take proactive action against terrorism. We need not worry if a cruel dictator whose stated enemy is the United States gains access to nuclear weapons. They fail to realize that without action, it’s luck, and nothing more, that protects us. And as we all realize six months ago, that luck can run out and be used too easily.

I do not necessarily advocate immediate military action against Iraq. The politics surrounding the issue are complex, and the inherent dangers of such actions are great. But while the country falls back into its reassuring sleep in the coming months, we continue to do nothing dangerously on the thin line of luck.

We will never completely take away the threat of terrorism. In the end, life comes down to chances. But what we can do is put the odds in our favor. If we make a move to compensate for the limp leg and the crazy look in his eyes might win, but would you put your week’s check on him? Throughout the late 20th century, we couldn’t lose. We kept rolling the dice, and kept sneaking past Park Place and Broadway, landing in the safe, warm bosom of “Go.” When Sept. 11 came along, we should have been smart enough to get out of the betting game and actually start to earn our money. Instead, I fear we are beginning to scoff at this momentary lapse. The fact that we’ve avoided a further major terror incidence in the subsequent months only emboldened our gambler’s heart.

We’ve failed to notice that in the corner there’s a hussy, mustached pin boss with a penchant for biological warfare. Saddam Hussein is watching us gamble, knowing that eventually, we’re going to start pulling some bad hands. We can either take our money off the table and stop relying on luck to pay the rent, or keep going this way. In the end, the luck of the Americans will not contin­ue. Every few generations, we are forced to earn our fortune. Let us not insistently fear the prospect of working for a living.

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A new live album flows with solo talent

By MIKE SCHMUHL
Scene Music Critic

Bela Fleck is a musical chameleon. Constantly experimenting with unorthodox instruments and toying with different styles of music, Fleck is a very influential name in music and even considered "the world's greatest banjo player."

OK, you're thinking a banjo? Your instincts would probably hint at a dirty hillbilly with missing teeth wailing on his banjo his Uncle Cletus gave him for Christmas when he was eight. However, listening to Fleck's playing is a little more advanced.

Flecking away at his electronic synth banjo, Fleck performs a type of music that can't be labeled. From progressive jazz to bluegrass to funk and world influences, Fleck and his "Flecktones" have either tried a certain approach to music or will try it in the very near future. With the help of some accomplished guest musicians, Fleck and the Flecktones continue to experiment with various musical tastes and attempt to capture the essence of one of their live shows through their latest release, Live At The Quick.

The set starts off strong with a short intro and "Earth Jam." An impressive bass line and a smooth sax play behind Fleck's incredible banjoing. As the other instruments slow, Fleck continues to play at a rapid pace for the rest of the song. Varying tempo and beats within a song is difficult to do, but Fleck makes it seem easy.

The song, "Zona Mona" is a relaxing track that includes two saxes and Fleck's banjo. A Caribbean feel is added to the mix with the addition of steel pan percussion. "Scratch & Sniff," the best song on the album, revolves around a funky bass line and teases from the sax and banjo.

Fleck's skill shines through when he performs the classical piece, "Prelude from Bach violin partita #3." A six-minute act on acoustic banjo, Fleck tests the limits of his musical scope.

The next few songs showcase the talent of the Wooten brothers, two members of the Flecktones. On "Ovombo Summit," Roy "Future Man" Wooten solos on his own invention, the synth axe Drumitar. The percussion device is essentially an electronic drum in the shape of a guitar. With African chanting in the background, Future Man pounds away at his instrument to create a bizarre interlude in the show.

"Improv Amazing Grace" is a five-minute solo by one of the best bassists in the world, Victor Wooten. Starting off with only a few notes, Wooten builds the song into a mass of complex lines and structures before returning to the simplicity of the American hymn. The guest musician Gongar o' Undar, a Tuvalu throat singer, gives an interesting performance with "Alash Khem (Alash River Song)." Able to play two notes at once and hold the notes for a while, o'Undar is a good example of the divergence of Fleck's musical experiments.

Other jams such as "Big Country," "A Moment So Close" and "Hoodown" are all solid songs with a lot of potential. However, each song runs around eight minutes long and becomes very repetitive. The individual talent of the musicians is unbelievable, but the improvisation on some of the tracks becomes crowded and annoying.

In general, Bela Fleck proves that he can still experiment with a range of genres and instrumentations. The album has a couple solid songs and some great solos, but the breadth of most of the songs and dull jams bring down the overall experience. In comparison to Fleck's earlier work, Live At The Quick falls short of expectation and quickly fails in being a great live album.

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Bela Fleck is well-known for his unique, live performances, but his band's latest live release lacks the band's earlier flair of jazz and funk improvisation.
John Heieck is not what you'd call a stereotypical Notre Dame senior. That's probably due to the fact that few of his classmates have real aspirations of rock stardom.

In a move that would probably wouldn't go over too well with most Notre Dame parents, Heieck is about to forgo his four years of education at Notre Dame to make a run at the rough and tumble world of today's "Godchildren of Grunge" rock resurgence. Definitely an emphasis on serious song writing; some of the band's first appearance outside of our hometown of Omaha, Neb.

Observer: For those who don't know you, give the story of your band — kind of a brief general history of the band's existence.

Heieck: The band is comprised of Brandon Bodammer on drums, Andrew Penke on bass and background vocals and me on lead vocals and guitar. Andy and I have been in and out of bands since high school, but the three of us have been together for about a year and a half now. Our trip to ND is the band's first appearance outside of our hometown.

Observer: Describe your musical style.

Heieck: The question every original band dreads to answer... Well, I would describe our present musical style as rhythmically-driven pop-rock, with a definite emphasis on serious song writing; something I believe, in my humble opinion, is lacking in today's "Godchildren of Grunge" rock resurgence.

Observer: What are your biggest musical influences?


Observer: What can ND students expect from one of your live performances?

Heieck: Lots of cross-dressing. No wait, that was last weekend at Heartland... Just kidding. I think ND students can expect a moving and energetic live performance. Basically, we are a band of mice illegally breeding for nice, comfy desk jobs with Accenture. Heieck is rehearsing and dreaming of the stage. Music has always been important to Heieck, but after graduation, he hopes to make music his life.

In a continuing trend to further the Notre Dame community's knowledge of its own campus bands, The Observer sat down with the senior English major to talk about his borderline obsession with U2. Life at Notre Dame as a rocker and the future career of a "nameless wonderband."

Observer: How has going to Notre Dame affected your life in a band?

Heieck: It has been both a blessing and a curse. Andy and Brandon both went to college in Omaha, which made our rehearsals quite rare, but precious. It also forced Andy and I to develop individually as songwriters, which has, in the long run, greatly benefited the band. When we have song-swapping sessions, he and I begin in two totally different places both literally, as in our different experiences at home and abroad, and metaphorically, as in our different mindsets at the time. Sometimes, during those sessions the songs come into focus, at which point Brandon has to lay down some kind of groove to make sense of it all. It's actually quite miraculous that anything comes out at all.

Observer: Why should Notre Dame take notice of this band?

Heieck: Notre Dame should take notice of this band now because someday soon we will be an international sensation. That may sound crazy, but you have to be a little nuts to join a band in the first place.

Observer: When did you know that being in a band was right choice for you?

Heieck: I think I knew I wanted to be in a band after I saw U2 at Arrowhead stadium five years ago. I know a lot of U2 fans didn't like the PopMart Tour, but I thought it was amazing — it was like seeing a rock concert on a space station. After that, I was hooked. I formed a really awful grunge band and began playing gigs in Omaha. I've been writing and playing ever since, refining my style as I mature.

Observer: Do you have any advice for college students who want to start their own band?

Heieck: Well, for bands to really work, two things have to exist. First, everyone has to be on the same page in terms of musical direction, or want the same things. Second thing is that people in the band are people you have to get along with. The guys in my band are my best friends. You need that to get through the bad times. If you don't have that... well that's why a lot of bands break up.

Observer: When and where can Notre Dame kids find you guys playing live?

Heieck: We're playing two nights this week: Wednesday at BW-3's from 9 to 11 p.m., and Friday at Benchwarmer's from 10:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. The first show I believe is all ages, and both shows will have drink specials.

Observer: Do you plan on playing in the South Bend area again or is this a one time offer?

Heieck: We will definitely come back in the future, but have no immediate plans on coming back next year. It depends on how well received we are. We hope to come back during the fall or so, but it's a long trip from Omaha.

Observer: What does the future hold for the band?

Heieck: Well, I graduate from Notre Dame in May. Afterwards, our nameless band (apart from having a name by then) will begin playing full time across the country. We hope to be signed to a major label shortly thereafter, at which point we will take over the world.

Observer: What else should Notre Dame know about this nameless wonderband?

Heieck: HAH! That's a great way of describing us. I think I will call us "The Nameless Wonderband" until we get a real name. I guess I want people to know, that if you are looking for something fresh, melodic and original, come check us out. You won't be disappointed.

This story was compiled by Sam Derbyheimer, who can be contacted at sderbeheim@nd.edu. For more information on John Heieck's band, contact John at Heieck39@nd.edu. This column is part of series of collaborations between the Observer and WVFI. If you would like to have your band featured in the Observer, please contact the Scene Department at Scene@nd.edu.

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**Women's Lacrosse**

Irish prepare for Big test

By CHRIS COLEMAN

Spokes Woman

The No. 15 Irish women's lacrosse team, coming off strong wins over Boston College and George Mason, looks to build on its undefeated start when meeting the tenth-seeded Cornell Big Red today at 4 p.m.

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Irish sophomore Matt Howell chases a Penn State player earlier in the year while junior Travis Wells looks on. Notre Dame went 1-2 in action during spring break.

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Irish win 1, drop pair during spring break

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men’s lacrosse team experienced a wide range of emotions over spring break. On March 9, the Irish won their first game of the season against Rutgers by a score of 11-4, but the exhilarating thrill of victory would not last long as the Irish dropped their next two contests in heartbreaking fashion.

On March 12, the Irish dropped their third game of the season 7-5 to host No. 4 Virginia. Four days later, the Irish lost a dramatic double-overtime thriller to visiting No. 3 Loyola 7-6. The emotional loss marked the second overtime defeat this season for the Irish.

In the win against Rutgers, freshman midfielder Brian Giordano led the way with two goals and two assists for the first points of his collegiate career. Fellow freshman Matt Malakoff also added a goal in the contest, while sophomore Dan Berger continued his strong offensive play, netting two more goals against the Scarlet Knights.

The team’s trip to Charlottesville, Va. marked the return of Irish coach Kevin Corrigan to his alma mater, Virginia.

Defense was the key to Notre Dame’s strong showing against the Cavaliers. The game was tied with only 1:45 remaining in the game when Virginia’s Billy Glading scored the game-winning goal.

Junior goalie Nick Antol made 17 saves against the potent Cavalier attack. Brian Giordano continued his stellar play leading the Irish with two goals in a losing effort.

Against Loyola, the Irish defense rose to the occasion and held the undefeated Greyhounds to only six goals in regulation. After Notre Dame won the face-off to open the second overtime, Loyola’s Michael Sullivan ended the game with a shot that got just past the reach of junior goalie Nick Antol giving the Greyhounds a 7-6 victory.

Senior captain Devin Ryan led the Irish with a hat trick for his sixth, seventh, and eighth goals of the season. Sophomore Dan Berger also scored registering his team-high tenth goal of the season.

Although Notre Dame’s record currently sits at 1-4, the Irish have played remarkably well for an extremely young team that has battled against the toughest competition in the nation.

“We lost our four games this season by only a combined five goals. It’s tough to lose like that,” said Brian Giordano. “but we’re proving to ourselves that we can compete against the top teams in the country.”

Notre Dame’s post-season hopes are still very much alive. The Irish have yet to open up play in the Great Western Lacrosse League. Notre Dame’s standing in the GWLL will determine whether the Irish qualify for the playoffs.

All of the experience against top teams outside the GWLL should serve many of the younger Irish players well when they begin division play in a few weeks.

“We just need to take one game at a time,” said Giordano. “We can’t let down at all. We have a really great group of seniors who are really helping us come along. We will learn from these losses and continue to improve.”

Before the Irish worry about division play and their post-season prospects, they will have to avenge their only season loss of last year when they host Hofstra this Saturday at 3:30.

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**Men’s Lacrosse**

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FENCING

Fencers capture 12 spots

♦ Irish qualify maximum number of competitors to National Championships

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

At the Midwest Regional Championships on March 9, Notre Dame fencing team had one goal in mind: qualify the maximum 12 fencers for the National Championships. They took care of 11 of those spots themselves, but needed a little help to get the twelfth.

In men’s sabre, the Irish only officially qualified Andre Crompton for nationals. By finishing in the top four, a fencer automatically qualifies for the national championship. Crompton finished fourth and qualified for the second straight year.

But for the Irish to qualify their other men’s sabre fencers, they had to wait five days before the NCAA selection committee gave junior Matt Fabricant the at-large bid.

Fabricant matched his seed by finishing fifth at the regional competition. His day was highlighted with a 5-4 comeback victory over Wayne State senior Jakub Krocimalski.

“I was just trying to go out and fence hard. I dropped three today but I beat some good people,” Fabricant Irish sabre fencer.

Freshman Derek Snyder, visibly affected by his complications from tonsillitis, took third place and qualified for nationals. Coach Yves Auriol was impressed by the freshman’s efforts.

“Derek Snyder showed a lot of guts today,” Auriol said. “It was really a challenge for him. This morning we weren’t sure if he could fence.”

Senior Steve Mautone finished fourth in men’s epee. Since a school can only qualify two fencers per weapon, Mautone will not qualify for his first national competition.

Freshman Michal Sobieraj returned from his foot injury to claim the men’s foil title. Junior captain Jan Viviani finished second in claiming the other spot for nationals. Senior Brian Casas finished sixth and will not return to the NCAAs.

On the women’s side, freshman Alice Kryczalo continued her impressive debut season in winning the foil title. In a fence-off for the title, Kryczalo defeated Ohio State’s Hannah Thompson 5-3.

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Other qualifiers for the women were sophomore Kerry Walton also qualified for nationals with a third in women’s epee, and junior epee captain Anna Carnick was fourth. Sophomore Dostani Mito qualified with a second in women’s sabre, and senior sabre captain Carianne McCulloch took third to qualify. Walton is the only new qualifier in that group.

Auriol feels his confident in his team but knows some fine-tuning will be necessary to win the national title.

“You know when you have a car running well, and you want the car to run a little bit better, so you make an adjustment, we want to do that [with the team],” the coach said.

Starting Thursday, the Irish will attempt to win their first national championship since 1994 at the national championships at Drew University in New Jersey.

Note:
♦ Penn State, national champions from 1995-2000, was the only other school to qualify 12 fencers. Defending national champion St. John’s qualified 11. Ohio State was the only other school to qualify double-digit fencers with 10.

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Senior David Graves looks to pass the ball around a Connecticut defender in the Big East Tournament March 8. The Irish lost to Duke 84-77 in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

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thanks the class bully as he receives a swirly. "It's an honor to be crushed by you," the Irish said as the Blue Devils' water-boys tossed in alley-oop after alley-oop. Fast-forward three years. Then pick your jaw up from the floor when you realize how far Notre Dame has come.

Instead of being wowed by the Blue Devils, Notre Dame was sick of hearing about them. Instead of rolling over and accepting defeat, the Irish fought back with an underdog spirit that would have made Rocky proud.

"We don't accept moral victories. Deep down inside, we'd rather see it than believe it." — Chris Thomas

Irish point guard

As freshmen, Graves and Swanagan welcomed those moral victories three years ago. After all, you have to learn to walk before you can run. Now, Irish players scorn the very thought of them. Perhaps that's because they're sprinting after the nation's top programs. "We don't accept moral victories," Chris Thomas said. "Deep down inside, we'd rather see it than believe it."

Why, when weary Irish players straggled toward the bench during every time-out, did Brey look each one in the eye and yell, "Don't give me that friggin' tired look." And when Matt Carroll hit a long jumper early in the second half, why did Brey pump his fist and shout, "Oh yeah, oh yeah!"

Because the Irish didn't know they were supposed to lose. And even if they did know, they didn't care.

When Graves hit shot after shot, he ran down the court with his arms elevated. When Ryan Humphrey went virtually every Blue Devil shot into the next area code, he cracked a smile. When Tom Timmermans threw up a lay-up and got fouled, the bench leapt to its feet.

"There's a fearlessness about them, and there's a belief it's their destiny to win," Brey said. "When they put the jersey on, you don't think you're supposed to lose."

But the Notre Dame uniform is starting to make a name for itself, too, and the Irish are slowly adopting Duke's aura of invincibility. When Humphrey talks about playing Notre Dame's style of basketball, everybody knows what he is referring to. When Matt Carroll says the Irish just have to play like themselves, teams start quaking in fear.

"This," Graves said, pointing right at the word 'Irish' emblazoned across his chest, "this is pride. This means something now."

"It didn't before."

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Golfers grab 2nd in best finish this year

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

After a disappointing performance two weeks ago, the Notre Dame women’s golf team spent a week practicing in Tampa, Fla. that culminated in its best finish of the 2001-02 season.
The Irish finished second out of 22 teams at the Snowbird Invitational, sponsored by Northern Illinois University, last Thursday and Friday. Notre Dame was led by freshman golfer Karen Lotta, who finished in fifth place with her rounds of 77-72.

“We are really pleased about how we finished, especially coming off of [the Tulane Green Wave Invitational]. We did a lot better this time,” said junior Terri Taibl, who shot a 36-hole total of 155 to tie for 13th place.
Notre Dame, with a 36-hole team total of 617, finished 17 strokes behind tournament champion Arkansas State. The Irish, with a total of 600, set both a 36-hole tournament record and a single round record after Friday’s team score of 295.
Arkansas State’s Shellei Wezel won the tournament with a record-setting total of 139 strokes for 36 holes. Wezel finished 11 strokes ahead of Lotta.

The Irish were disappointed in their play two weeks ago when they finished 14th at the Tulane invitational in New Orleans. Over spring break, the team focused their efforts on preventing a disappointing performance from occurring again.
While the team was in Florida last week, coach Debbie King had the team playing rounds every morning and practicing every afternoon.

“We were on the course pretty much the whole week,” Lotta said.

The opportunity to practice and play in warmer weather benefited the team during the tournament, according to Taibl.
“I think everyone had a better mindset coming into the tournament. It also helped having a couple days prior to the tournament to practice,” she said. Everyone was just feeling a lot better mentally about playing.”

Because of the South Bend weather, the Irish have not had many opportunities play outside, so the week in Florida was important to give them the chance to play outdoors every day.

The practice rounds went well, giving the Irish increased confidence heading into the tournament.

“We were expecting to go down there with a good chance to win. We were pumped up to play well," Lotta said.

Although Notre Dame finished second, and not first, the Irish were still very pleased with their performance.

“We all put in good performance as a team. Instead of just one or two people playing well, we all stepped up," said Lotta.

In past tournaments, the Irish have had trouble getting all of the players to perform at the top of their games, but last week, everyone seemed to achieve their potential.

“We were just trying to do the best that we can, and have everyone play as well as they could on the same day so we could get a nice low team score, and fortunately it happened for us,” Taibl said.

Senior Kristen McMurtrie tied for ninth place with a 36-hole total of 153 on the par-72, 5,940 yard Pebblecreek Golf Course. Sophomore Shannon Byrne finished third for the Irish with her rounds of 83 and 76 that put her in 25th place.

Sophomore Rebecca Rogers shot 170 to finish tied for 75th place and senior Lauren Fuchs tied for 47th place after shooting two rounds of 82.

“Everyone basically played like how we know that everyone can. Finally everyone put it together at the same time," Taibl said. “This has been our best finish in awhile.”

The Irish do not compete as a team heading into the Indiana Invitational on April 6.

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Irish end season on high note in CCHA playoffs

By CHRIS FEDERICO

The Irish entered the CCHA playoffs after a strong finish to their season and aimed to keep the momentum going for the final leg of their season-ending run. The Irish used that momentum to steal two of three games from fifth-seeded Nebraska-Omaha and advance to the Super Six round of the tournament at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit.

But that would be as far as the Irish would get as they dropped a close 3-1 loss to the Mavericks last week to advance in the CCHA playoffs. The Irish tied the series with the post-game overtime victory by a 2-1 margin.

"I really think that we won the series with the post-game overtime victory by a 2-1 margin," Poulin said. "It was as if we played four games in three nights," Poulin said. "We came back Friday against Northern Michigan, and we played very well."

"Against Northern Michigan, we went up early, but we just couldn't get that 2-0 lead," Poulin said.

"I'm excited already," Poulin said. "I'm here in the office on the Monday after the season ends getting ready for next year."

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Dear Notre Dame Students:

As you may know, the Office of Student Affairs has spent the last two years looking closely at alcohol use and abuse at Notre Dame. During the 2000-01 academic year, we gathered 30 focus groups from both the campus and the local community, including students, faculty, administrators, hall staff, parents, alumni, law enforcement and city officials, landlords, and tavern owners. Their varied perspectives provided insight into the many effects of alcohol use and abuse both on our campus and beyond. This year the process has continued as we have talked at greater length with rectors and the University’s officers and trustees. We also have closely analyzed the incidence of alcohol abuse at Notre Dame and compared our experience both with that of other institutions and with campus trends nationally.

The picture that has emerged from our study of this issue is both encouraging and alarming. A significant number of Notre Dame students either do not consume alcohol or consume very moderate amounts. Alcohol is not central to the social lives of these students, and many students are making responsible decisions about alcohol.

At the same time, our study also confirmed the perception that a significant percentage of Notre Dame students engage in abusive drinking. The health consequences of alcohol abuse have been well-documented; the academic and social costs are perhaps less evident, but no less real. A third of Notre Dame students report missing classes because of drinking. Serious and harmful behavioral problems almost always involve alcohol. Students’ lives are often disrupted by intoxicated friends or roommates. Hall staffs spend a disproportionate amount of time and energy addressing behavior related to alcohol. Local residents are disturbed by intoxicated students in their neighborhoods.

Abusive drinking is not unique to Notre Dame, nor is it a “new” problem. Be that as it may, we at Notre Dame cannot overlook or excuse abusive drinking because it is typical among college-age students. It is part of a “tradition” or somehow constitutes a “rite of passage.” With national studies showing that nearly half of college students engage in binge drinking, many in higher education consider alcohol abuse to be the single most important health and safety issue on college campuses today.

Over the past 15 years, the University has addressed this issue with some success. The progress we have made in terms of responding to the educational and therapeutic needs of students with regard to alcohol is particularly noteworthy. The Office of Alcohol and Drug Education offers many programs that help students examine their choices about alcohol and educate them on the dangers of alcohol abuse. Through the Counseling Center and local agencies, confidential treatment is available for students concerned about their drinking or who have a serious drinking problem. Our commitment to providing these educational and therapeutic resources is stronger than ever, and we encourage students to take full advantage of them.

We also have addressed the alcohol issue at Notre Dame through the behavioral expectations articulated in the Alcohol Policy. Created in 1984, the Alcohol Policy was based on the report of the University Committee on the Responsible Use of Alcohol. Some modifications were made in 1988 through the work of the University Committee on Whole Health, and the Use and Abuse of Alcohol. The Alcohol Policy has remained largely unchanged since then.

When we began this study and consultation process two years ago, we wanted to know if the campus community supported the Alcohol Policy as currently written, especially since fourteen years had passed since the last major revision. While the consensus from the focus groups basically supported the current policy, a strong sense emerged that modifications were needed to address the most serious and dangerous abuses. With this in mind, we have carefully reviewed the policy and identified specific areas of change.

Today I met with the Alcohol Task Force of the Campus Life Council to outline for them those areas of the Alcohol Policy we intend to modify, and next week I will meet with the entire C.L.C. to discuss these modifications. Because I know that any change to the Alcohol Policy is of great concern to students, I would like to share with you what I told the Alcohol Task Force. Effective in the fall of 2002, the Alcohol Policy will be modified in the following ways:

• Students, regardless of age, will not be allowed to possess or consume “hard” alcohol in undergraduate residence halls.

While one obviously may become intoxicated by consuming any alcoholic beverage, we heard credible evidence that the most serious incidents of intoxication occur when students consume hard alcohol. In general, the students involved in these most serious incidents of intoxication seemed to fall into two categories: those who were inexperienced with hard alcohol, and those who deliberately consumed large quantities in a short period of time, usually in the form of “shots.” Because of the high alcohol content in relation to volume, the abuse of hard alcohol is particularly dangerous.

• Residence hall dances will be held outside of the hall, either at on- or off-campus venues.

The Office of Student Affairs is working with other University departments to give students access to a variety of venues on-campus where halls can host dances.

Dances are an important part of hall life, playing a critical role in building hall unity and spirit. While we hope to preserve the rich traditions associated with these dances, we also wish to eliminate unhealthy patterns that have become part of these events over the years. Many halls across campus simply do not have a common room large enough to host a dance for hall residents and their dates. In part because of these space constraints, the focus of the in-hall event has become not the dance itself but the gatherings in individual rooms. Hall staffs have reported many incidents of problematic behavior during in-hall dances as students traveled back and forth between the dance floor and the private gatherings.

To a certain extent, this change reflects a trend in hall dances that already has begun. According to a recent survey by Student Activities, the number of dances held outside the halls over the past three years has increased steadily. Of the 47 hall dances held during the 2001 Fall Semester, 29 took place outside the halls.

• Undergraduate students who are 21 years of age may host tailgate gatherings in a designated parking lot on home football Saturdays, provided that these gatherings are properly registered.

Graduate students may host tailgate gatherings without registering. Rules regarding consumption at tailgate gatherings hosted by alumni, family and friends will follow Indiana law. Students who are not 21 may not host tailgate gatherings where alcohol is served, nor may they possess or consume alcohol at tailgate gatherings hosted by others. In accordance with Indiana law, those who provide alcohol to minors at tailgate gatherings will be penalized, and abusive drinking by anyone, regardless of age, will result in sanctions.

Some confusion has existed in the past about our tailgating policy. By adopting a policy that mirrors Indiana law, with its accompanying privileges and responsibilities, we hope that our expectations of students will be clearer, both for those who are of majority age and those who are underage.

I know that many of you will have questions about these changes. The details of the new policy will be finalized as it is formally drafted, a process that will happen over the next several months. While we anticipate no other substantive changes, during the drafting process we also intend to streamline and reorganize the Alcohol Policy so as to make it easier to read and understand. As in years past, Student Government will have the opportunity to be included in the du Lac revision process.

The issues associated with alcohol abuse are complex, and there are no simple answers. I welcome continued dialogue about this important topic, and I look forward to continuing to work with students, faculty and administrators to create a healthier campus environment. In this, as in all things, Notre Dame’s goal must be “the formation of an authentic human community graced by the Spirit of Christ.”
Leadership needed for return to prominence

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. All right, let's start this off with an apology and a disclaimer.

To compare women's basketball to football is a stretch at best, in many ways the two sports couldn't be more different. So I'm sorry in advance. And I think Muffet McGraw is one of the greatest coaches ever to grace this campus — her face doesn't line the same wall in LaFortune as Lou Holtz's for nothing.

But on Sunday night McGraw said something that scared me. It reminded me of Bob Davie. And it reminded me of something Davie said after the 2001 Fiesta Bowl, or should I say, the bowl that year, despite the fact that the 2001 Irish won the NCAA Tournament. With six freshmen, the team was expected to struggle. Going out in the Round of 32 is respectable. But falling by 39 points, a margin Notre Dame hadn't lost by since before freshmen had played before. Jacqueline Batteast could run with the best of them. Amanda Barksdale was in excellent defensive position all night. Where the Irish lacked, and where Tennessee built an advantage that at one point reached 42 points, was in composition in leadership.

"We couldn't get anything going offensively and that really hurt us defensively. Emotionally, we were spent because we were just so frustrated that we couldn't score and then they were scoring so easily," McGraw said. "That just really hurt us that we couldn't convert. We had some open 3's, we had a lot of open looks but we couldn't make anything and we just felt a little bit down."

Meanwhile, on the other end of the floor, Tennessee was working the right mindset to advantage. "You can feed off the frustration of the other team when they're not getting as many open looks as they're used to," Lady Vols' guard Kara Lawson said. "It creates a lot more emotion when you get a defensive stop, when you get a shot clock violation when all five players are really hanging down and playing hard together."

So while Tennessee came together and used their attitude to their advantage, Notre Dame fell right into their plan. Just as in their Big East tournament upset win over Orange County, the Irish failed to adjust when the shots didn't fall on their end. But while Ratay stepped up at the end of that game and made it close, none of Notre Dame's veterans came forward to stop the bleeding Sunday night. In fact, only Wicks — the same freshman who led the Irish in scoring against Connecticut earlier this season — seemed unfazed by the environment. McGraw looked at Sunday's game a positive experience for her team, something they can learn from. But this means a leader must step up from within and not allow the team to give up.

Coming back next year, the Irish have three rising seniors — Karen Swanson, Ratay and Amanda Barksdale; two juniors — Severe and Joyce; and this year's group of freshmen. Of this core, only Ratay and Joyce among the upperclassmen will have the opportunity and ability to turn a game around.

Joyce has been hurt much of the last two seasons and has more than just a man to losing the bench. Ratay proved her ability against Syracuse, but seemed silent and more willing to pass the ball off than shoot.

So next fall, the Irish will have a talented core of sophomores with a full college season under their belt. And they will have a first-team All Big East selection in Ratay entering her senior year.

But to make sure all that potential isn't just energy at rest, the Irish need a leader who can instill an attitude like Lawson did for Tennessee Sunday night. Maybe it'll be Ratay. Maybe it'll be Joyce. Maybe a sophomore like Wicks can assume the prominent role. But somebody must step up and this team must refuse to play at any level except full speed, using Sunday night as motivation. Otherwise, it'll be just another rebuilding year.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will be bound and determined to complete whatever you start today. You will have many opportunities available to you and if you are quick to take advantage of what's going on around you, profits can be made.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This may not be the best day to get along with family members but if you take the time to get involved in a joint effort, things will turn around. Focus on your home and making the necessary alterations. 000

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Tennessee overpowers Irish in 89-50 defeat

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If Notre Dame was to knock off top-seeded Duke in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, Irish coach Mike Brey knew the Irish would have trouble keeping Duke's point total low. So he wanted his team to score points. And he wanted a lot of them.

"We were not going to stop them," Brey said. "That's why I said, 'Can we get 85 to 90'?

Eight-seeded Notre Dame played one of its best games this season, but they couldn't keep up with top-seeded Duke down the stretch as the Blue Devils advanced to the Sweet 16 with an 84-77 win over the Irish.

Pardon Notre Dame for not rolling over and accepting Duke's invulnerable status. They already did that three years ago. And they had quite enough of it then, thank you very much.

When David Graves and Harold Swanagan played basketball for the Irish as mere freshmen, back in what may come to be known as the Dark Age of Notre Dame basketball, a small charter plane from South Bend, Ind., flew across the United States and landed on the frozen Alaskan tundra for the Great Alaska Shootout.

During that tournament, Notre Dame played Duke and lost. Big and if you do, they're going to kill you.

The Irish let a golden opportunity slip away, led by junior guard Kara McGraw, and if you do, they're going to kill you.

ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Tennessee overpowers Irish in 89-50 defeat

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The Irish came out green Sunday night — in more ways than just the special uniforms they put on for St. Patrick's Day. In their NCAA Midwest Regional second round contest against No. 6-ranked Tennessee, Notre Dame's young team was overmatched in virtually every aspect of the game, falling 89-50. The loss was the most lopsided for the Irish ever under head coach Muffet McGraw. Only a Karen Swanson three-pointer with 1.4 seconds remaining prevented the team's first 40-point loss since 1983.

"We could never get anything going offensively and that really hurt us defensively. Emotionally, we were spent because we were just so frustrated that we couldn't score and then they were scoring so easily," McGraw said of Tennessee's 45-3 field goal percentage compared to Notre Dame's 28.9 percent clip. "That just really hurt as that we couldn't convert.

After the Irish came out aggressively on both ends of the floor and built a 4-2 lead, Tennessee reclaimed the lead when freshman Britney Jackson hit the first of her two three-pointers on the night. By the midpoint of the first half, Tennessee had built a 25-14 lead, which they increased to a 53-27 halftime advantage.

"Our five starters got us off to a quick start," Lady Vols coach Pat Summitt said. "I thought the defensive intensity in the first few minutes was just terrific. It certainly gave us a lot of momentum and really ignited our offense the whole way."

Tennessee saw eleven players score, led by junior guard Kara Lawson's 16 points. Jackson added 10 while Michelle Snow came off the bench to score 11 points for the Lady Vols. Freshman Kelsey Wicks, who also led the Irish with 16 points against No. 1 Connecticut earlier this season, came off the bench to pace the Irish with 10 points.

Even as Summitt removed her starters in the second half, Tennessee's bench continued its aggressive offensive attack, building a 43-point lead before Swanagan's last-second shot.