Police give forensic evidence to lab

♦ Investigation of rape allegation due to wrap up this week

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

St. Joseph County police are handing over evidence from the alleged rape of a Notre Dame 20-year-old female student to a state crime lab, Sheriff Richard Seniff said Friday morning at a press conference. The sheriff said the suspects in the alleged rape are one former and three current Notre Dame football players. On April 10, police searched the house of one of the suspects, located about one mile east of the University. "The fact that the suspects are Notre Dame football players will have little effect on how we aggressively pursue the investigation," said Seniff. Police have been investigating the rape accusation since April 6, when the alleged victim filed a report with the South Bend Police Department claiming the four men raped her early March 28. The woman also filed a separate report with University authorities on April 10 and will have a hearing with Notre Dame's Office of Residence Life and Housing on Wednesday.

So far, Seniff said police have interviewed one of the suspects but the remaining three have hired attorneys and would not speak to police about the case. "It's a very sensitive case, and we're certainly sensitive to the plaintiff and the suspects," said Seniff.

No criminal charges have been filed, but Maj. Bob Finn, the public information officer of the St. Joseph County police, said the investigation would be passed on to the county prosecutor this week.

Seniff said there was no indication of heavy drinking or use of date rape drugs.

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SAIL AWAY

Four Fisher freshmen plow their way through St. Mary's Lake Saturday in the annual Fisher Regatta. Clockwise, from left, Jimmy Costanzo, Alex LaConde, Tom Gorman and Bill Hessert try to get their hand-crafted "Green Seamen III" ahead of the pack. Thirty-three boats entered the race, and Carroll Hall's "Wood-N-Caulk" emerged the victor.

Faculty Senate prepares for elections

By SHEILA FLYNN
News Writer

The Faculty Senate, revamped with a new body configuration and election process, will collect nominations for 2002-03 senators Friday and will determine election results by April 29. Once elected to the Senate, representatives will elect chairs of the four standing subcommittees: Administrative Affairs, Academic Affairs, Benefits and Student Affairs. These four chairs, in addition to the Senate chair, will then be ex-officio voting members of the Academic Council. This creates a significant overlap between the Senate and the Council, allowing for more faculty representation than ever before.

"In addition to the four chairs, Father Malloy added three more faculty to the Council," Brogan said. "That adds seven more faculty to the Council with no new administrators, making it closer to 70 percent faculty. Before the changes the Council was 51 percent faculty and 49 percent administrators."

The Senate and Council will also form joint committees when necessary to tackle special concerns. One joint committee is currently examining faculty grievance procedures.

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The newly elected senators will be seated May 15 at the final Senate meeting of the academic year.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Focusing the facts

The jig is up. I've had my last fling as a junior and it's time to admit to myself that I am a senior and graduation is in a month. Each year, Saint Mary's and Notre Dame plan parent weekends, and to me these rights of passage that signify growth and maturity. I went to Rome last spring, so I missed Sophomore Parent's weekend. But I wasn't really a sophomore by then. I missed Senior Dad's weekend while I studied in Washington, D.C. last fall. I was a senior by then, but there was nothing I could do.

So, a couple weeks ago, I asked my mother if she wanted to come up for Junior Mom's Weekend. She said yes, although she reminded me that I wasn't really a junior. We had a great time, and after she left Saturday night, I cried. I cried because she'd been there and then she was gone, but I also cried because I knew that there was no chance or time for me to lie to myself anymore. I had to tell myself the truth.

The truth is, I'm not even 21 yet and I will graduate in May. I was one of the 'lucky' ones who took a lot of advanced placement tests in high school, and came into college with a lot of credit from them, but even though I've saved a lot of money because of it, I still don't know if I would do it again.

The truth is, it is so hard to spend one semester saying hello to long lost friends and making new ones when you know you will only be there until May. It is so hard to do activities with your graduating class when the class of your youth and your heart has another year to go through the hard stuff. It is so hard to grow up and graduate and go to law school when you are so much younger than everyone else.

What I have learned is that if you have friends, family, and a school or two behind you, pulling for you, no matter how hard things get, you will be okay. You will graduate, and it will be worth it.

Thank you to my family, my friends, my professors, and my school: from Le Mans to Rome to Washington D.C. to Regina, I have had three wonderful years as a Saint Mary's woman. I know now that I will always be a Saint Mary's woman, just not always on campus.

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

In a front-page article in the April 9 edition, The Observer incorrectly spelled the name of Mexican restaurant Boracho, 1724 N. Ironwood Dr. The Observer regrets the error.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday

♦ Performance: 'Womyn with Wings,' 7 to 9 p.m., LaFortune Ballroom

♦ Lecture: "Cavanaugh Chairs: Inaugural Lectures," all day, Center for Continuing Education, McKenna Hall

Tuesday

♦ Lecture: "Sleep Disorders," Mini-Med School Lecture Series, Brian Foresman, 7 to 9 p.m., DeBartolo, Room 102

♦ Film: "A Mongolian Tale," 7 and 9 p.m., LaFortune, Montgomery Theater

Wednesday

♦ Event: "Teachers as Scholars Spring Seminars," 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., McKenna Hall

♦ Concert: Notre Dame Choral and Chamber Orchestra, 8 p.m., Basilica

BEYOND CAMPUS

Berkeley students file lawsuit over alleged gang rape

BERKELEY, Calif.

Two female University of California-Berkeley students who allege they were gang raped by a group of San Diego State University rugby players filed a lawsuit against the university, the rugby team and the Southside bar where they met their alleged attackers.

Raleigh's American Pub & Grill, San Diego State University and its rugby teams all were named in the suit that was filed earlier this week at Alameda County Superior Court in Oakland, Calif.

The suit alleges all the defendants behaved negligently, and their behavior resulted in the rapes.

The suit, which seeks unspecified amounts of damages, alleges the plaintiffs were gang raped April 20, 2001, by six members of the rugby team at the Ramada Inn in Berkeley, Calif., after meeting two other players at Raleigh's.

Berkeley police investigated the allegations, but Alameda County District Attorney's office declined to pursue the case because of insufficient evidence, said Berkeley police Sgt. Kay Lantow, supervisor of the sex crimes unit.

The suit claims the two women, both younger than 21 at the time, were served alcoholic drinks at the bar even though bar staff knew they were underage. The plaintiffs became very intoxicated, which played a direct role in their rape, according to papers filed in court.

At the bar, the plaintiffs met two of the rugby players and agreed to go to their hotel room, where they had sex, the suit alleges.

During the sexual activities six other rugby team members entered the hotel room and also engaged in sexual acts with the plaintiffs, the suit charges.

The suit charges the two UC-Berkeley students did not consent to the activities because of their intoxication. It also states the two women tried to escape but were restrained.

The suit claims the rugby coaches were aware of the gang rape at the time.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Admissions rates hit record low

HANOVER, N.H.

Students applying to Ivy League institutions faced formidable challenges this year as admission rates at several schools dipped to record-low levels in the face of growing numbers of applicants. Dartmouth experienced a sharp drop in its admittance rate which fell to 20 percent while registering a steep rise in total applications, the greatest such increase among its peer institutions.

Harvard was still the most selective Ivy, admitting only 10.5 percent and sending out over 77,000 rejection letters. Following close behind was Princeton with a 10.8 percent acceptance rate. Yale, Columbia and Cornell also admitted a smaller proportion of applicants than in the past. Yale granted admission to 2,008 students out of a record-setting pool of 15,443 applicants. The acceptance rate, which fell to 13 percent from 13.5 percent last year, was the lowest in the school's history. Cornell had an overall acceptance rate of 24.4 percent this year, down from 25.7 last year. The drop occurred despite a 22 percent rise in total applications.

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Frat not suspect in student's death

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif.

As the investigation into the death of 19-year-old Brian Gillis continues, the San Luis Obispo Police Department talked to several members of the Sigma Chi fraternity to ascertain the events of April 3, which may have led to Gillis' death. The journalism sophomore was found unconscious around 11 a.m. at his Stenner Glen apartment by his roommate, who had been gone the night before. Although further information could not be released, police department Lt. Gary Orbach said the investigation team is waiting for the toxicology test results to determine the cause of death.

Orbach said he already has ruled out the possibility of murder, and there is no evidence to suspect Sigma Chi of having anything to do with Gillis' death. Orbach added the coroner's office will take the normal routine to test for alcohol and other drugs in Gillis' system; however, he declined to comment on whether or not the coroner's office would be testing for specific drugs, such as GHB that do not normally show up on basic toxicology reports.

LOCAL WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast

Today: Mostly sunny, 72 degrees.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, 71 degrees.

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NATIONAL WEATHER

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Student organizes bone marrow drive

♦ Junior tries to find match to save father’s life

By HELENA PAYNE
New Editor

When junior Ann Gurucharri discovered that her father, Vincent Gurucharri of Columbia, Mo., was diagnosed with a life-threatening blood disease in January, she decided to seek help through the Notre Dame community. Along with several Notre Dame students, she organized a bone marrow drive that will be in the LaFortune Ballroom Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in hopes of finding a match for her father.

In light of recent struggles of Notre Dame students due to cancer and other diseases, Ann Gurucharri said she was optimistic that students would be sympathetic.

“I know that I would get good support,” said Gurucharri. “Last March 2000 bone marrow drive for Conor Murphy, a student who died from leukaemia last year. Gurucharri’s father, a Notre Dame 1967 graduate, currently has a rare disease called myelodysplasia. In a letter to the University’s student body, Gurucharri told students “You could be the match that saves my father’s life. Today there are over three thousand patients waiting for someone like you to have the grace to commit to sharing your marrow.”

She said she is encouraging people of all ethnicities to come to the drive because her father’s mixed ethnic background could have a variety of matches. “We don’t know what will be his match,” said Gurucharri.

Gurucharri started her process to organize the drive after discovering her father’s illness by searching articles online from The Observer about University-sponsored blood drives. She contacted former Zahm Hall rector Father Jim Lies, who is currently at the University of Minnesota. Lies helped her by giving her more information about the drive for Murphy, who had a 1998 graduate.

Gurucharri talked to Nick Fellers, a friend and Notre Dame graduate who eventually led her to student government. Coincidentally, both the senior class and the Minority Pre-Med Society wanted to do a bone marrow drive. “It was really pretty impressive that all of this was happening at the same time,” said Gurucharri.

“We all coordinated our efforts and got everything going,” Howard Hall, Gurucharri’s dorm, also supported her as a co-sponsor with the other two groups.

The money came from the “9th Shirt,” a campaign fund to pay for Life Source blood services, A Chicago-based company, to come to campus for the drive. “When you talk about a Notre Dame family, it is the perfect example,” said Senior Class President Pete Rosman.

The senior class lost three people to cancer — Murphy, Brionne Clary and Miranda Thomas. Both Rosman and Lina Seutle, the senior class secretary, said they will likely need years to analyze the problem with an additional $12.2 million.

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Fort Wayne, Ind. Technicians at the state’s crime labs say they will likely need years to analyze a mounting backlog of evidence, despite lawmakers’ attempts to ease the problem with an additional $12.2 million. "The state earmarking money will help tremendously," said 1st Sgt. John Vanderkolk, manager of the crime lab in Fort Wayne, which serves about 30 counties in northern Indiana. "But it will take time to see the impact."

All four of the state lab locations — Fort Wayne, Indianapolis, Lowell and Evansville — are wrestling with backlogs of evidence awaiting testing.

Some of that evidence is from the rape allegation by a 20-year-old female Notre Dame student. Police said in a press conference Friday forensics evidence from the allegation was being handed over to state crime labs.

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Associated Press

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The 95,000 jobs — about 3 percent of Indiana's work force, which is seven times worse than the national average — were shed from retailing, services and the state's core industry of manufacturing, an analysis of recent government statistics shows.

Economists say prospects for a rebound are uncertain.

More than in past recessions, companies have cut costs to force some manufacturers to buy machines or move work out of the country instead of hire back laid-off employees.

"Everything depends on the future of manufacturing," Hudson Institute economist Graham Toft told The Indianapolis Star for a story published Sunday. "I am not sanguine about the uptick."

Declining employment, with its fallout of crimping state tax revenue, is only the latest symptom in a decades-long trend of Hoosiers losing ground in earnings.

Much of the problem is attributed to international competition and corporate buyouts that swept away well-paying management positions.

Low unemployment rates are deceptive because they do not track people who drop out of the labor market. As the number of available jobs shrink, so does the number of people seeking employment.

There's nothing new about a recession-pounded Indiana. In the eight recessions since World War II, only in 1960-91 did Indiana do better than the state as a whole.

The current recession began in March 2001, and many experts think it ended late last year or early this year. As a barometer of economic health, employment, shows the total number of jobs available. Shrinking job opportunities usually mean people earn less money.

The two-year period beginning in January 2000 dates to a couple of months before the technology bubble burst and more than a year before the recession began, said Indiana University economist James C. Smith, who analyzed the Bureau of Labor statistics.

"Indiana just fared pretty poorly across the board," Smith said. Yet, Hudson Institute's Toft, who formerly headed the state's economic development think tank, said the 3.16 percent loss is better than average for the state during recessions.

Indiana's job-creation woes stretch back further than two years. Few jobs have been created since the mid-90s, leaving total employment stubbornly entrenched at just below 3 million, Toft said.

Executive Producer of NBC Sports Dick Ebersol spoke on Saturday about changing the face of the Olympics. As one of the lecturers featured at the Student International Business Council Forum held this weekend, Ebersol embodied the "peace through commerce" motto of the Council.

In light of the tragedy of Sept. 11, Ebersol noted that the 2002 Winter Olympics fulfilled "a need for many people to feel closer together."

Ebersol said the Olympics is an image of, as the promotional segment said, "a world as we wish it could be." According to Ebersol, the 2002 Olympics needed a personal appeal.

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Arabs reject Arafat’s peace appeals: Even Arabs who supported Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat’s decision to speak out against violence called it a painful choice Sunday in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and many accused Secretary of State Colin Powell of siding with Israel in his Middle East mission. “Once again, President Arafat yields to pressure, especially American pressure,” said an unsigned column in the Saudi Al Watan daily.

Court wants bodies returned: Israel’s Supreme Court told the army Sunday that it must give the Palestinians the bodies of those killed in Jenin’s refugee camp, a move that could help clear up the escalating dispute over how many Palestinians died in the fierce fighting. Also, the army gave journalists a limited tour of the devastated camp.

People want dressy doctors: Despite the casual appearance of their TV counterparts, patients want their doctors to dress formally and not show up in blue jeans and sandals, a new study suggests. Name badges, while coarse and dress shoes are preferable for both male and female doctors, the patients in the study said. “A carefully dressed provider might convey the image that he or she is meticulous and careful,” said the researchers, Drs. Matthew Kanzler and David Gorsulowsky, two northern California dermatologists.

Florida Dems still support Gore: Florida Democrats’ hearts were with Al Gore Monday, April 15, 2002 COMPILED FROM THE OBSERVER WIRE SERVICES page 5 but their minds were with the Florida delegates, and the state convention in Lake Buena Vista Saturday as the Florida delegates recalled his narrow and disputed loss.

Presidential candidate survives bomb

A bomb exploded aboard a bus Sunday, targeting the leading Colombian presidential candidate, Alvaro Uribe. Uribe was unharmed, but two people inside the bus died. Officials have not identified any suspects.

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Indianapolis, a hard-line candidate on at least one occasion. Earlier this month Uribe’s vice-presidential candidate, Francisco Santos, said the two were aware they could be targeted during the campaign. Uribe, a former state governor, holds a commanding lead ahead of May 26 presidential elections — in large part because his tough rhetoric against the FARC has resonated with Colombians fed up with rebel violence. The country’s 38-year war pits the FARC and another leftist guerrilla faction against Colombia's U.S.-backed military and an illegal right-wing paramilitary group. An estimated 3,500 people have died annually, mostly of these unarmed civilians. The FARC is thought to be responsible for a recent wave of urban bombings and a mass kidnapping Thursday, in which rebels disguised as an army bomb squad abducted 12 provincial lawmakers in southwest Colombia.

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Powell presses Arafat to end violence

♦ Sharon already abandoned idea of making peace with Palestinian leader

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Struggling to get a cease-fire in place and peacemaking started, Secretary of State Colin Powell is pressing Yasser Arafat in his mostly destroyed Ramallah headquarters Sunday to take “effective action” to end Palestinian attacks against Israel.

The heavily guarded visit where Arafat is confined by Israeli troops is bound to boost Arafat’s standing as the leader of the Palestinian people and the one Israel must deal with to seek a peace accord.

Powell also is calling for restraint by Israeli forces on the West Bank and for “unimpeded access to humanitarian organizations” for the Palestinian people caught up in the 16-day Israeli siege.

Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has already dismissed any notion of making peace with Arafat, whom he accuses of being responsible for a recent rash of suicide bombings. But Powell is determined to begin a process that would culminate in Palestinian statehood on land Israel captured from the Arabs in the 1967 Mideast war.

Powell decided to meet with Arafat after the Palestinian leader denounced terrorism on Saturday in a statement the White House demanded.

“We are condemning strongly all the attacks which are targeting civilians from both sides and especially the attack that took place against Israeli citizens yesterday in Jerusalem,” Arafat said Saturday.

Arafat’s statement, in Arabic, was distributed by the Palestinian news service WAFA and was read several times on Palestinian television and radio, giving it the circulation the Bush administration sought.

Arafat also lashed out at Israel’s West Bank operation. “We also condemn very strongly the massacre that was committed by the Israeli occupation armies against our refugees in Jenin and against our people in Ramallah, Nablus and Tulkarem and also the brutal aggression against the church in Bethlehem during the last two weeks.”

Israeli forces moved into more West Bank villages Saturday, and sporadic fighting continued, especially in Nablus where seven Israeli tanks began shelling the main local government complex.

The Israeli government dismissed the Palestinian leader’s statement and noted that the suicide bomber who struck Friday was sent by Al Aqsa Martyrs’ Brigade, a militia linked to Arafat’s Fatah movement.

“We want deeds, not words,” said Danny Ayalon, foreign policy adviser to Sharon. “We cannot be impressed by any condemnation of their doings and their own strategies, which continue.”

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher declined to make a judgment on Powell’s chances of securing a cease-fire and steering the two sides to peacemaking and a Palestinian state.

Boucher said Arafat’s statement contained “a number of interesting and positive elements,” including condemnation of terror and a reaffirmation of a Palestinian commitment to a negotiated peace with Israel.

Also, the statement called for immediate implementation of a shelved cease-fire plan prepared by CIA Director George Tenet, Boucher said.

“The secretary will work with Chairman Arafat and the Palestinian leadership to show leadership and to help make those statements a reality, with effective action to bring an end to terror and violence and an early resumption of a political process,” Boucher said.

U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell speaks at a press conference with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon. Powell is attempting to negotiate a cease-fire in the Middle East, but Sharon dismissed the idea of peace with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Powell met with Arafat Sunday.

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Study finds federal doctors convicted of crimes

Most doctors work for VA hospitals

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

More than 100 federal government doctors have been convicted of crimes or disciplined by state medical boards, including one physician now treating veterans who was convicted of helping a terrorist group, an Associated Press review of medical licenses has found.

Federal agencies are required to check the backgrounds of doctors they employ but are not prohibited from hiring those with criminal records, revoked licenses or medical punishments.

All a doctor needs is a medical license valid in one state to get a government job.

Dr. Sozy Melkonian, who is paid $48 an hour as a blind cancer specialist at a Veterans Affairs hospital in Los Angeles, was convicted 21 years ago in Switzerland of extorting money from a Swiss businessman to help the now-defunct Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia, according to California medical board records and news reports.

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A California Medical Board reprimanded Melkonian in 1997 for failing to disclose her conviction on her 1996 license application.

Her lawyer, Theodora Polousyn-Engen, said Melkonian did not know she had been convicted because Swiss authorities never told her and the court proceedings were conducted in French, which Melkonian does not understand.

Other punished federal doctors include:

♦ Dr. Brian K. Bevacqua, head of anesthesiology at the VA hospital in Madison, Wis. in 1987, Bevacqua pleaded guilty to ordering child pornography and was sentenced to two years’ probation and a $1,500 fine, according to Pennsylvania and Ohio medical board and court records. He declined comment.

♦ Dr. Robert G. Gerner, whose California license was suspended for 60 days in 1994 for having sex with a patient during psychotherapy sessions. Gerner was reprimanded and required him to be supervised by another doctor.

♦ Dr. John Davis, who earned $111,245 at a Nevada federal prison last year. Davis denied being a member of the terrorist group. The Swiss court convicted her of extortion, gave her an 18-month suspended sentence and ordered that she not work in Switzerland.

These events have nothing whatsoever to do with my practice of medicine,” Melkonian, 47, a spokeswoman for the group AMVETS.

Federal officials acknowledge screening processes are not always thorough.

Dr. Thomas Craig, the VA’s chief medical officer, said overworked hospital staff sometimes can miss problems or fail to check a doctor’s background.

“Who hired them? Nobody seems to care all that much.”

NATIONAL NEWS

WASHINGTON

The wealthy and low-income people stand a better chance of being audited than the typical middle-class family, which is paying the lowest share of its income to the Treasury since 1957.

Rich, poor and the middle class all are affected by one tax — the 10,000-page, 2.8 million-word tax code is more complex than ever. One estimate is that it now takes 28 hours and six minutes to tackle the Internal Revenue Service’s 1040 form and do the necessary record keeping.

This year’s filing deadline is midnight Monday for most of the country.

IRS data and reports from several tax research organizations depict a tax system that does not treat everyone equally but is, by far, the single biggest source of government paper and red tape.

“An abomination,” Treasury Secretary Paul O’Neill calls it.

Consider IRS audits.

Individuals making $100,000 or more and those making $25,000 or less are much more likely to face an audit than the tens of millions in between.

High-income people tend to have more complicated returns that invite more audits, about 0.69 percent of all these returns were audited in 2001.

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Lindbergh flies grandfather's journey again

**75 years later, descendent recreates aviator's historic flight**

**Associated Press**

SAN DIEGO  --- The grandson of aviation hero Charles Lindbergh took off from San Diego under cloudy skies Sunday on the first leg of an attempt to duplicate his grandfather's historic 1927 solo crossing of the Atlantic.

Erik Lindbergh, 36, left San Diego's air port, Lindbergh Field, at 9:32 a.m. without speaking to reporters.

He expected to make the trip to St. Louis in nine hours. From there, he plans to fly on April 20 to Farmington, N.Y., where he will begin his crossing of the Atlantic on May 1.

The cross-Atlantic trip took Charles Lindbergh 33 1/2 hours, his grandson expects to make it in less than 21 hours.

Erik Lindbergh's New Spirit of St. Louis, made of a glass and carbon composite and outfitted with modern communications technology and safety gear, was built in Bend, Ore., for $289,000. Its average cruise speed is 184 mph, compared to the 108 mph of the original Spirit of St. Louis, which was built for $10,580.

**World Bank faces critics**

**WASHINGTON**

If a world that is moving too slowly and Argentina's default were not enough to worry about, the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank are seeing name-calling and fingerpointing — even from the finance ministers who set the institutions' policy.

**Clare Short, Britain's outspoken international development secretary, termed a U.S. proposal to shift World Bank loans to grants "crazy."**

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President Bush and world leaders were in Monterrey, Mexico, last month to endorse development goals to deal with the economic despair that has provoked fertile breeding ground for terrorist groups.

Under the consensus reached in Monterrey, the wealthy countries will increase their foreign aid spending and be more selective about which countries get the assistance. favored will be countries that adopt sound economic reforms and cut corruption.

Much disagreement remains over just how these goals will be put into practice by organizations such as the World Bank, the IMF and the U.S. Trade Development Agency.

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Various critics in the U.S. and internationally say the mid-term assessment of the World Bank's emergency fund to fight terrorism comes down to the fundamental question of how much aid should go to countries that have to be invited to the table to fight terrorism.

"It's not the case that every country that has been moved out of the way is going to come back as an equal partner," said Erik Lindbergh, who is 36.

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**Financial institution faces "tough talk" in harsh economy**

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Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Despite a federal investigation and recall of tires, Bridgestone/Firestone's chief executive, John Lampe, said the company is stronger than ever.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration closed its 16-month investigation into Firestone Steelbelt tires last Tuesday, saying it could find no evidence of a design defect. It was the last open federal investigation into Firestone tires.

In August 2000, the Nashville-based company recalled 6.5 million ATX, ATX II and Wilderness AT tires, many sold as standard equipment on the Ford Explorer.

"I'm convinced we have emerged from the recall stronger than we've ever been before," Lampe said at a National Manufacturers Association conference in Nashville.

Lampe credited the company's "Making it Right" program that was aimed at restoring confidence with consumers, regulators and employees. He said the company also benefited from an effort begun in 1992 to build the Firestone brand as a consumer tire.

Through that strategy, the company helped many of its 8,000 independent tire dealers expand their businesses and build a loyal network that didn't waver during the hard times of 2000 and 2001, Lampe said.

"Not one major dealer of ours switched brands because of the recall," he said.

Last October, Bridgestone/Firestone agreed to recall 3.5 million more Wilderness AT tires.

The company, which lost more than $1 billion last year, should return to profit this year, several analysts who track the company.

Bridgestone/Firestone, the U.S. subsidiary of Bridgestone Corp. of Japan, underwent a major restructuring last year. It divided its operating units into four separate companies and closed its manufacturing plant in Decatur, Ill., because of excess capacity at all of its plants.

The restructuring and cash reserves already set aside for legal costs should be sufficient to handle any further problems stemming from the recall and make all divisions of the company profitable, according to an analyst report prepared last month by Steve Usher of J.P. Morgan Securities Asia.

Bridgestone/Firestone intends to build its market share with new products for its Bridgestone and Firestone tire brands with Bridgestone, the company's premium tire brand, making inroads into the consumer market, Lampe said.

In the aftermath of the recall, Lampe broke off business ties with Ford Motor Co. in May 2001, ending a 95-year relationship between the two companies.

Last November, state attorneys general announced Bridgestone/Firestone will pay $41.5 million in a settlement to end state lawsuits about the tires.

Calif. proposes strict audit reforms

Sacramento, Calif. — Corporations would be required to change auditing firms every four years, under a proposal the state legislature is considering.

Proposed state Sen. Jack Ueltzen, D-Anaheim, said corporations, stock analysts and regulators also are to blame.

But Ueltzen, who chairs CalPERS' government affairs committee, said corporations, stock analysts and regulators also are to blame.

Most of the proposed bills are unnecessary or should be handled nationally instead of creating piecemeal regulations in 50 states, Ueltzen said.

California can be a national leader while state and federal regulators spend their time "pointing fingers everywhere as to where the problem lies," he said.

Ueltzen said Dan Jacobson, legislative advocate for CalPIRG, the California Public Interest Research Group. CalPIRG, the state's consumer advocate for CalPIRG, the California Public Interest Research Group.

"There's no doubt the profession's credibility is in question," said Mike Ueltzen, past president of the California Society of Certified Public Accountants.

"Our goal is very simple: reestablish credibility to the auditing process," said Assemblyman Lou Correa, D-Anaheim, chairman of the Business and Professions Committee.

The motion also asked to give Adamson a bonus equal to 125 percent of his base salary upon Kmart's emergence from Chapter 11 bankruptcy. He could receive a smaller or larger bonus, depending on the achievement of performance goals.

The motion also asked to give Adamson to a "success pay­ment" to be determined by the development and execution of Kmart's reorganization plan. The payment would be made by Kmart's unsecured creditors as a combination of cash, Kmart stock or other Kmart securities.

Additionally, the retailer wants to pay for Adamson's salary, home improvements, benefits and perks with a $10 million letter of credit pending bankruptcy court approval of the revised employment agreement. The letter of credit in effect guarantees that Adamson will be compensated as promised.
The recent violence in the Middle East has polarized many people in the world. The deepening of the suicide bombings has generated a visceral, gut reaction. As a people attempting to protect itself from terror. As does the death of so many people in a land three major religions consider holy. So it generates strong feelings, either one way or the other, or on neither side, just hoping the violence will end.

Essentially, there are two major problems: Israel's occupation of Palestinian territory and Palestine's use of terrorism against Israeli citizens. So many people who have experienced their occupation and only consider one problem and completely ignore the other. Or, they pronounce a moral equivalence between the two.

But in this case, the problems are not morally equivalent. They are not also not conflated problems; they can be solved separately. In fact, they must be considered separately, because while the Palestinians' claims have merit, their actions do not.

People who support the Palestinians echos the use of terror against innocent civilians. For example, Yasser Arafat has pulled out of the conference and breached a united Palestinian state. President Bush has not even tried. In fact, he recently encouraged more Palestinians to become suicide bombers and "sacrifice themselves as martyrs in jihad for Palestine.

Second, the moral equivalency crowd counters that in the recent military action. Israeli soldiers have killed as many as 250 Palestinians, many of them children, in whose only goal is the destruction of the Jewish state, just as the United States attacked Afghanistan following the Sept. 11 attacks.

Third, pro-Palestinians claim that the Israelis are violating Palestinians' human rights by sentencing political prisoners and leaving them in a precarious defensive position, being as narrow as nine miles wide in the middle and therefore vulnerable to an attack which would cut them in two, if the Palestinians and the rest of the Arab world hold to their agreements, there may finally be a lasting peace in the Holy Land.

Mike Marchand, class of 2001, an analyst for RealClearPolitics and a contributor to The Politic Group, thinks "Artist Sharon" isn't nearly as cool a name as "Benjamin Netanyahu." His e-mail address is Marchand.3@nd.edu. The final "Undistinguished Alumnus" appeared April 29.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of the Observer.

Dear Observer:

Thank you to all who have signed the petition calling for an increased student voice and a continuation of in-hall dances. The approximately 4,000 signatures we received in just three days shows the importance of these issues to the students and the necessity of involving everyone in both identifying the problem and coming up with solutions.

We are also encouraged by the recently released report co-authored by University President Father Edward Malloy entitled "A Call to Action: Changing the Culture of Drunk Driving at U.S. Colleges." We believe this report provides an important framework for establishing student participation in the treatment of programs to address alcohol abuse. As the report notes, "student participation not only improved a school's policy, but also increased campus-wide "owner-ship" of the prevention efforts emanating from it."

One important recommendation to achieve this level of participation is through direct student-led "reviews of proposed policies before they are finalized." It is this level of active student involvement that we are calling for in this petition.

The strong support we have received demonstrates the power of a unified student voice. We are committed to ensuring this voice is heard.

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Even in the Middle East, the ends do not justify the means

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Quote of the Day

"More than an end to war, we want an end to the beginnings of all wars."

Franklin Delano Roosevelt
U.S. president
NOTRE DAME IS A SCHOOL WHICH PRIDES ITSELF ON TRADITION. AS ANYONE WHO KNOWS ME COULD TELL, I AM USUALLY A STRONG SUPPORTER OF TRADITION IN GENERAL. HOWEVER, SOME TRADITIONS ARE NOT WORTH KEEPING AND NEED TO BE ADAPTED TO FIT THE TIMES. SPECIFICALLY, THE TRADITION OF HOLDING COMMENCEMENT IN THE JOYCE CENTER IS UNMONETABLE AND IT SHOULD BE CHANGED.

Holding Commencement in the Joyce Center means that there is extremely limited seating for graduates’ families, such that the University only guarantees three tickets (and possibly a fourth) for each graduate. Anyone else who wants to attend must watch on video in DeBartolo. I was lucky enough to get a fourth ticket in the lottery, but this is still unfair. In my immediate family, there are six other people — my parents and my four younger siblings. I was hoping that my grandmother would be able to come to the ceremony as well, but if she does, I still have to decide which one of my six younger siblings is able to join me in the Joyce Center. My sister Theresa, a sophomore in Welsh, will face the same dilemma two years from now.

I am not alone in having to make this choice, however. The registrar and I have recently discovered that there were 1,836 fourth tickets, over 200 more requests than the University was able to fill. That means that an overwhelming majority of the people who requested a fourth ticket, and quite probably still more tickets. Memo to the University: the administration is not an unfeecesable event. At the very least, one graduation location must be made available in the Joyce Center.

No one ever thought that the Oslo Accord in 1993 would ever take place, and yet it happened. After the signing of the peace agreement, Israel supplied the Palestinian Authority with police weaponry in order to help govern its people. However, it assumed its governing role, it started an intensive incitement process and taught many children to hate ferociously the Israelis and hope for the total destruction of Israel. These children have grown up surrounded by propaganda that has become so deep and so rooted in their minds that has made possible for them to go and blow themselves up indiscriminately. It did not and still does not matter if the valorized humans are elderly, young men and women or even babies, as long as they are Israelis. This exhausting and deadly encouragement is the true reason the suicide bombers blow themselves up, not the alleged occupation issue.

The Oslo Accord was just one step of Yasser Arafat’s strategic mission in getting closer to his and his terrorist militants’ vision — eliminating Israel. In the last nine years, Yasser Arafat has been the only Palestinian Chairman in the region while four Israeli prime ministers have come and gone, practicing true democracy. Not one of them was good enough for Arafat to lead his people to the “peace of the braves” as he always puts it. The sad reality is that the entire world claims that Arafat is the free elected president of an independent people and the fact that we must negotiate peace only with him is questionable.

What, the world calls free elections? I call fiction since no Palestinian official dared to run for presidency against Arafat; most likely he or she would have been shot. Furthermore, the international observers who supervised those elections polled how people voted but failed to see that the results were already set. It is also worth mentioning that there have not been any elections in the Palestinian territories since 1996.

During the last couple of weeks, the Israeli Defense Force (IDF) has been cleaning up the “mosque” that Arafat let all over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Its mission is to root out all terrorist training camps which Arafat has been supporting, along with all rights over the Accord. The amount of illegal weapons and documentation uncovered by the IDF clearly proves how Arafat supports attacks against Israelis while talking about peace. The IDF found documents that lead not only to the financing of weapons, such as the ship carrying 53 tons intercepted by Israeli Commando. But also to the financing of suicide bombers who can blow themselves up in public areas in Israel. Arafat used these funds to improve the economic conditions for his people, the Palestinians would have been better off today and many lives would have been spared.

Just 18 months ago, Arafat had an agreement to sign, the Palestinians would have had 25 percent of the West Bank. 100 percent of Gaza Strip, a foothold in East Jerusalem and the chance of declaring East Jerusalem as its capital. Arafat blew the deal saying he could not sign this agreement because the Hamas and Islamic Jihad would kill him if the agreement would not include the return of the refugees to their initial houses located in East Jerusalem. But by bringing in this demand, it would be like asking the American government to allow all Native Americans to go back to their past houses before the first English settlers, knew that the land was ours.

Since 1993, Arafat has had all the time in the world to truly prepare his people for making peace with the Israelis. Instead, he continued to spread what he knows best: the use of terrorism for his personal agenda — not the use of wisdom to make his people prosper. Arafat and his militants brought a disaster to the Palestinian people instead of freedom and self determination. They encouraged innocent Palestinian youths to confront the IDF and risk their lives instead of learning to live. The government to allow all Native Americans to go back to their past houses before the first English settlers, knew that the land was ours.

As an Israeli, I can assure you that Arafat, with his terror tactics, is responsible for all the recent violence. If the American government to allow all Native Americans to go back to their past houses before the first English settlers, knew that the land was ours.

Now the Israeli mental state is in a stage were its own survival is at stake and the only time when true peace can be realized will be when the true mission of those who seek to eliminate Israel are no longer a threat to the international community, both Israelis and Palestinians, suffer because of this war. But as Golda Meir, a former Israeli prime minister, once said, “The only time when the Arab World would recognize Israel’s right to exist was when they threatened us even more than they hate us.” Now think about that.
Copperfield teaching rope tricks to children in a Croatian hospital. The "Project Magic" program includes over 1,000 hospitals worldwide. Copperfield visits patients in person whenever he can.

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

South Bend will witness a bit of the impossible today. And, no, the University has not changed its mind on the alcohol policy. Tonight, world famous magician David Copperfield will perform his latest stage show, "The Portal" at the Morris Performing Arts Center. And while many recognize the magician from his many television appearances, few know the fascinating life that he leads off camera.

The man now known as David Copperfield was born on Sept. 16, 1956, in Metuchen, N.J., as David Seth Kotkin. When Copperfield was seven, he learned his first magic trick from his grandfather, "The Four Ace Trick," an illusion that Copperfield will often still include in his shows.

At 18, Copperfield enrolled at Fordham University in New York, but was cast in the lead role of the Chicago-based musical "The Magic Man" three weeks into his freshman year. Adopting the stage name of David Copperfield from Charles Dickens' novel of the same name just because he liked the sound of it, the young magician left Fordham to work on the show. Copperfield was the show's singer, dancer, and he created most of the original illusions it used. "The Magic Man" put Copperfield's name on the map; in fact, the show became the longest running musical in Chicago's history.

Though Copperfield had made a name for himself with "The Magic Man," he had not yet become the celebrity that he is today. Copperfield returned to New York at 19 after leaving "The Magic Man" and spent an impoverished year in an apartment creating magic and sending resume tapes to agents. After a year of barley being able to pay his heating bills, Copperfield received an opportunity of a lifetime: ABC wanted him to host its upcoming magic special "The Magic of ABC, Starring David Copperfield."

The success of the special landed Copperfield a contract with CBS to produce "The Magic of David Copperfield" series. It was Copperfield's fifth installment of the series that rocketed him to superstardom when he vanished the Statue of Liberty in front of a live audience.

1984's "The Magic of David Copperfield VI" topped the ratings for its time slot and won two Emmys. Out of the 16 specials, the series has won a total of 19 Emmys. The specials have been the cutting edge of illusion technology. Some of Copperfield's most memorable feats are: vanishing a Lear jet, levitating over the Grand Canyon, walking through the Great Wall of China, riding over Niagara Falls, escaping from an underwater Lock and there is no signature stage effect, flying while Copperfield is best known for his television appearances, which have aired in over 40 countries and have been seen by an estimated 3 billion people, his live shows are a phenomenon unto themselves.

His latest production, "The Portal," has been touring for almost two years and features the famous illusion of the same name. In the illusion, Copperfield selects 12 members from the audience, vanishes them and has them reappear in impossible places like across the country or even the globe. The rest of Copperfield's show varies at each venue at which he performs. He even claims to have multiple methods to perform some of his illusions so the audience will not be able to figure out the tricks.

Of course, figuring out the trick is not the purpose of going to see a magic show. Copperfield and other professional magicians ask their audiences to suspend their disbelief to witness the impossible, not create an "I know how to do this and you don't" kind of atmosphere. Even so, audiences can't help but scratch their heads when Copperfield completes and illusion.
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Magician David Copperfield before his “Tornado of Fire” illusion. Copperfield will take up to seven years to design and properly prepare an illusion.

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Magician David Copperfield before his “Tornado of Fire” illusion.
Masters

Woods proves to be unstoppable in Masters

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Not the best players in the world, not a toughened up Augusta National could stop Tiger Woods' march to Masters history.

An early burst of birdies gave Woods control of the redesigned course Sunday, and he never let anyone closer than two strokes the rest of the way. He closed with a 1-under 70 to claim a record sixth Masters title.

"Tiger was just dominating," said Ernie Els, who missed a three-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole and finished with a 72. "It's unreal."

With seven majors in his bag, Woods now owns golf's most sought-after titles, earning $36 million in the process.

"I think he's the best player I've ever seen," said Rocco Mediate, who finished third.

Els, Phil Mickelson and Lee Westwood, each of whom have won three majors, share the distinction of being among the top four players in history. They're no match for Woods, who leads the PGA Tour in earnings, money won and wins this season.

"I just don't think I can beat Tiger," Els said. "It's not about numbers. It's about being a really good player."

Tiger Woods dominated the Masters and claimed a three-stroke victory to become the only player to win two consecutive titles.
**BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXI**

**Ganggrene upsets No. 31 Manstallion**

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Senior Staff Writer

The first of the mighty have fallen.

No. 31-seeded Manstallion lost to unranked Team Ganggrene 21-17 in the first round of Bookstore Basketball XXXI Friday.

"We played hard," Gangrene's Ben Dillon said. "We got some lucky bounces and banked some shots in."

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Minnesota faces NCAA infractions

By NATALIE BAILEY
Sports Writer
The Belles pulled out a surprising performance Saturday in their doubleheader against the MIAA's top team but still lost both games to Alma, 7-0 and 6-5.

With a 0-4 record, Saint Mary's entered the games as the underdogs, but once the Belles warmed up, they showed 8-0 Alma a high level of competition.

"In the second game, we did a lot better than we did all year long," Belles coach John Ganell said. "The multiple hits within the innings really helped us out in the second game. Timely hitting and shutting down Alma's hitting was key for us.

The Belles lost the first game 7-0 after Alma scored five of its seven runs in the sixth inning. Until the fifth inning, the second game was much like the first. But in the bottom of the fifth, the Belles came alive.

With a runner on first, the Belles anticipated a bunt and caused a double play to end the inning. First baseman Rachel Reesor knocked in two runs in the top of the sixth with a home run to give the Belles a 4-1 lead, and in the bottom half of the sixth, Saint Mary's set Alma down 1-2-3.

In the seventh, the Belles struggled with several hits but could not score a run. With the door open, Alma wrapped up the game with two base hits and two runs batted in with a hit into left field to win the fifth 5-6.

Libby Wilhelmy pitched two strikesouts and shortstop Marnie Walsh, who made several key defensive plays, stopped a line drive making for an impressive defensive display.

"Our defense was strong but the offense is what makes or breaks a game," senior co-captain Melissa Hayes said.

Although Saint Mary's lost both games on Saturday, the Belles are walking away from their doubleheader with a new confidence.

"We need to take the momentum from our last game and continue to hit strongly," Hayes said of their upcoming game against Olivet.

The two losses dropped the Belles to 0-6 in the MIAA and 5-10 overall.

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the Irish closed off defensive­ly and started winning more balls. Senior captain Alissa Moser then took things into her own hands.

Despite being double teamed, she spun off her defenders, scored and brought the game back to within two. Then Moser found teammate Anne Riley s t r e a k i n g toward the net for an easy put­ in to make the score 4-2. The Irish defensive fours, Tina Federocy, Kathryn Lam, Henwood and Kelly McNally took control of the game and lessened some of the pressure off Irish keeper Jen McCardell, who had a career­high 15 saves. Henwood made an end­to­ end run to almost score a third goal on the day, but the Irish didn’t convert and entered halftime trailing by one.

Duke opened the half with a quick goal, but Loftus and Danielle Shearer both responded to tie the game 5­ 5.

Eleanor Willie, trying to even the game again at six after another Duke goal, ran over her defender and caught a pass from Shearer which she quickly dumped in the net for a 2-1 lead.

The scoring then slowed down with the game tied, and neither team could find the net.

Gallagher finally broke through the Irish defense and scored with eight minutes left. Duke then scored again to take an 8-6 lead with six minutes left. Shearer, the Irish leading scorer, got a yellow card with 3:14 left. Duke controlled the ball well after the penalty and it appeared that its two­goal lead was unbreakable. The Irish finally forced a turnover and with 1:40 to play, Maxine Henwood got fouled and scored on the free position chance.

The Irish got the ball again and with 27 seconds left, Simon hustled for the loose ball and circled around the net to tie the game at eight.

Both teams scored one goal in the first overtime to force a second, and no one scored in the second.

In the third sudden death overtime, after Loftus’ near­game­winning shot rang off the post, Megan Miller scored her second goal of the game to end the 72­minute contest, 10-9.

The hard­fought comeback gave the Irish momentum heading into their game with No. 12 Yale as the Irish won 11-8.

"I knew we were going to win against Yale. There was no way we were going to let that happen to us twice," said Meredith Simon, Irish player.

The Irish let Yale open the scoring, but Delano came back and scored quickly. Defenses picked up and nobody scored until Katie Sargent weaved through the Irish to score her first of three for the Bulldogs. After Yale scored another, the Irish went on a run. Simon started the run using the same move that put the Irish in overtime against Duke, a run around the back of the net. Then Loftus scored off a free position chance, and then hurried the goalie again using her crease move to give the Irish the lead.

McCaggert got her first goal of the year off a pass from classmate Shearer. Anne Riley, also a junior, got the final goal for the Irish in the half, putting them up 6-3.

Sargent then responded for Yale, putting it 6-4 in the half.

The Irish would not let the Bulldogs get any closer, getting second­half goals from Simon, Fischer, Loftus and two from Moser with the Irish ending up on top 11-8.

The Irish face Georgetown Saturday in Washington in a game that will decide the fate of the Sacred Heart. For more information, please call (574) 631-6201 or visit http://www.nd.edu/~cooks.
Belles finish 2nd at 1st tournament

By DONNA LUBBERS
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's golf team finished a close second at a tournament at the Brookwood Golf Course Saturday just two strokes behind tournament winner Defiance.

"It was our first tournament of the season, and with nerves and all, we just couldn't put it all together," Belles' coach Theresa Pekarek said.

The Belles shot a team total score of 363. Freshman Julia Adams led the way with the team low of 87, followed closely by freshman Stephanie Smimmerman shooting 88 and second captain Megan Kehler with 91.

"The consistency of our freshman was probably one of our biggest strengths right now," Pekarek said. "They'll definitely be leading the way over the next three years."

"I feel like I could have shot four or five strokes better," said Adams. "I missed three or four two-foot putts that I probably should have made. It felt good to lead the team, but I still feel like I could improve."

Belles finish 2nd at 1st tournament

TRACK AND FIELD

Irish men take 1st place

By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

Exactly one year ago, Ayesha Boyd won her first collegiate race — the 400-meter dash at the Tom Burns Invitational.

Last weekend, Boyd returned to the Invitational not as an aspiring freshman but as an experienced veteran. She won all three races she competed in and earned Female Athlete of the Meet honors. Boyd led the Irish women to a second-place finish, while the men finished in first place among the four teams present at the meet.

"Ayesha has made tremendous improvements," sprinting coach John Millar said. "She's a lot more confident in what she's doing. It was just a matter of time with her."

Although Boyd continues to be strong in the 400, she has found her own niche as the top Irish runner in both the 100- and 200-meter dash. She won both the 100- and 200-meter dashes at the Invitational and concluded her impressive showing with a victory in the 4x100 relay. Boyd's 100-meter time of 11.73 seconds was also a personal-best for the sophomore.

"We went out there expecting a good race. I'm looking forward to a better overall finish for myself and for the team next weekend," said Adams, "I was pretty happy overall."

"It was our first competition this season," Smimmerman said. "We went out there expecting a good race. I'm looking forward to a better overall finish for myself and for the team next weekend."

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Women's Tennis

Notre Dame upsets William & Mary

Observer Staff Report

The 25th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team captured its second victory against a top-20 opponent this season, downsing No. 14 William & Mary, 8-2, Saturday afternoon at the Busch Tennis Courts in Williamsburg, Va.

The win moved the Irish's record to 13-1 on the season, while the Tribe falls to 15-7.

"This is a huge win for us because it gives us two top-20 wins," Notre Dame head coach Jay Louderback said. "We've come so close to getting some other big wins, so for us to get this one, it definitely helps our confidence going into the [Big East] tournament."

For the third consecutive match, the Irish got off on the right foot, picking up the critical doubles point. On Saturday, Notre Dame took two of the three doubles matches, as Katie Cantas and Lindsay Green won 8-2 at the No. 1 flight, and Sarah Jane McCarthy and Alicia Salas relied from a 5-6 deficit to claim a 6-5 victory at the No. 3 doubles point.

Notre Dame will wind up its two-match road swing today at 3:30 p.m., when it squares off with No. 10 Texas in the regular-season finale at the Penick-Allison Tennis Center in Austin. The Irish then will look ahead to the Big East Championships which begin Friday in Coral Gables, Fla.

Notre Dame is the defending champion after winning its fourth title in six years with a 41-0 victory over Miami last season.

Happy 21st Birthday Rory!

Everyone give a Shout Out for Rory Day!
Sophomore Steve Sollman attempts to make a play in Notre Dame's wins in a double header against Virginia Tech on Friday.

**Baseball**

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"You just have to keep playing hard and there's a lot of baseball still to be played and people are going to be coming after each other and fighting. If you just keep plugging away and keep battling, good things can happen."

In the first game, which was scheduled for seven innings, the Hokies scored first in the top of the third inning after leading the bases against Irish starting pitcher Ryan Kalita. Kalita was a late decision after freshman pitcher Chris Niesel could not throw because of an illness. With two outs, Kalita induced a ground ball to shortstop Javier Sanchez. Sanchez, however, bobbled the ball, allowing Virginia Tech to score an unearned run and take the early 1-0 lead. Kalita came back to strikeout the next batter to retire the side.

The Irish offense, on the other hand, had the unpleasant job of facing Hokie ace Joe Saunders. Saunders entered the game with a 5-0 record and an ERA of only 2.32. He baffled Notre Dame's hitters for most of the game by locating his pitches and using both sides of the plate. The Irish, however, finally got to him when center fielder Steve Stanley hit a bloop double down the left line center fielder Steve Stanley hit a bloop double down the left line, scoring Stanley and tying the game at 1-1.

Not until the bottom of the 11th did the score change, when Bok's triple and Thomais's infield single ended the game.

The key to the whole night for us was the way Ryan Kalitta went out there and just pitched so marvelously and gave us a chance to win that first game," Mainieri said. "We were going up against a kid that, I would say, is a lock to be a first-round draft pick and be in the big leagues probably within a couple of years, and Ryan went out there and matched him pitch for pitch in six innings. He gave us a chance to win the ball game."

Right-hander J.P. Gagne also played a major role in keeping the score tied at 1-1 for several innings.

"What can you say about J.P. Gagne? He was just a gutsy competitor, like he always is," Mainieri said. "He pitches five scoreless innings and holds (Virginia Tech) until finally were able to get a big hit from Matt Bok, and then in the 11th inning we're able to win that game."

In the nightcap, the Irish jumped out to the early lead when Stanley singled and was later knocked in by left fielder Brian Stavisky's sacrifice fly.

Virginia Tech bounced back to take a 2-1 lead in the top of the third when center fielder Chris Winterfeldt singled and was followed by back-to-back doubles by Marc Tugwell and John West off Notre Dame starter Paul Saunders.

Those would be the only runs the Hokies could score off Ogilvie, who went the distance for the victory and, more importantly, saved the Irish from using any pitchers in relief.

"We go out there in the second game knowing we have a very thin bullpen, and Pete Ogilvie goes out there and pitches a complete game for us," Mainieri said.

Despite not feeling his best when the game started, Ogilvie became stronger and more dominant as the game progressed.

"During the game I actually didn't feel all that great," Ogilvie said. "But as the game went, I started to settle in and I felt almost stronger as the game went on. We made some great plays in the field, and I think I just pitched well to do the job."

Notre Dame tied the game in the bottom of the third inning when Bok singled and Stavisky doubled him home a few batters later.

The Irish took the lead for good in the sixth when Stavisky walked. O'Toole bunted him over to second before Billmaier doubled him home a few batters later.

In the seventh, Notre Dame added an insurance run when Bok singled and Stavisky doubled him home a few batters later.

The Irish will face three straight Mid-American conference teams this week, beginning with Central Michigan on today. Mainieri believes it is important for the Irish to continue to play well and pick up some much-needed victories.

"It's important for us to continue to play good baseball and continue to build the confidence in ourselves which I think is growing with each passing game," Mainieri said. "So we're going to take these games very seriously."

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**LSU Football**

LSU faces recruiting violations by coaches

Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. LSU has disciplined head football coach Nick Saban and two assistants for three minor NCAA recruiting violations.

"All schools that self-report, schools like us, report 25 to 30 of these violations a year," athletic director Skip Bertman said. "They are benign rule violations that are so cumbersome because of the large amount of information in the NCAA manual."

LSU found that either Saban or the assistant coaches, whose names the university would not release, may have improperly contacted two potential recruits. It also found that a former assistant violated a rule about telephone contact with recruits.

As a result, the university reduced the number of days the three coaches can go on the road during the spring evaluation period from 24 to 18 and ordered the football staff to stop recruiting two players.
FOOTBALL

Irish use 6th practice to play in game atmosphere

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

And on the sixth practice, the Irish scrimmaged.

For 30 minutes of Notre Dame’s two-hour practice Saturday, the Irish drew on nearly four months of studying playbooks and a week’s worth of practices as they practiced full-speed in a simulated game atmosphere.

“We had a very good session, but the session was probably focused more on good things coming from our energy level and not necessarily from our execution,” Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham said about the scrimmage that included officials.

“There were some bright things, but overall we need a lot of work.”

The Irish still have a long way to go before they completely understand the new systems that Willingham’s staff is implementing. But the focus of Saturday’s scrimmage was less on execution and more on intensity.

“You have to understand the process they’re going through,” Willingham said. “You understand that some things will not be as a coach would like it, but at the same time, there’s still progress being made, even though the execution may not be flawless yet.”

“The thing I was really interested in today was did we play hard?” said defensive coordinator Kent Baer. “...I know there’s going to be mistakes, you just have to keep coaching and hope they don’t make too many mistakes.”

While the players are being asked to learn a lot of new things in a short period of time — something Willingham is more than well aware of — he says he can’t forgive execution errors even at this early stage.

“You’re always tough on all aspects. That’s the only way we can get truly better and become the team we should become,” he said. “The guys worked hard, but there’s a lot of thought process in what they do right now, and that usually inhibits the execution, so we’re about par for the course.”

Note:
While the Irish were busy practicing Thursday, Tiger Woods shot a third-round 66 at The Masters to claim a share of the lead. Woods won the tournament Sunday.

Willingham, formerly Stanford’s head football coach from 1995 to 2001, was pleased to learn after practice that Woods, who golfed for Stanford from 1994 to 96, had jumped into the lead.

“Tiger did some great things for us in terms of being a model student-athlete,” Willingham said.

But the Irish coach added that he has yet to play a round with Woods.

“I would not put my game in the same foursome as Tiger,” he said.

Woods, who is sponsored by Nike, has recently worn a hat with the letters “TW” embroidered on the front. After practice, a reporter wondered if Willingham would wear one of those hats.

“I don’t think so,” the coach laughed. “We have a conflict of sponsors.”

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An Irish player takes a swing as Notre Dame splits a doubleheader with Syracuse this weekend, losing the second game and ending a 14-game winning streak.

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The Orangewomen jumped on the scoreboard early in the sec­ond game with a run in the first inning on an RBI double by Syracuse first baseman Cheryl Julicher that scored catcher Katie Kaempfer.

In the second inning, Kaempfer would give DeMaggio another run to work with as she sent a 2-2 pitch from Irish pitcher Steffany Stenglein over the left-field fence for a 2-0 lead.

The Irish bats, which had been on fire since the beginning of Big East play, cooled off as the Irish only squeezed out eight hits on Sunday.

"We didn't play well all day," Gumpf said. "We were able to fight a little bit harder in the first game and found a way to get it done. We didn't hit the ball all day."

The Orangewomen added an unearned run in the seventh as they improved their record to 17-11 and 5-1 in the Big East.

In the first game of the double­header, the Irish were able to get to Syracuse pitcher Heather Brown in the fourth inning.

"We started swinging at strikes," said Gumpf. "We started laying off the rise ball and she had to bring it down."

Bledsoe set the first pitch of the fourth inning down the left-field line to tie the score at one. After Taylor Peterson relieved Brown, Irish center fielder Jenny Kriech hit a bloop double down the right-field line to score first base­man Lisa Mattison and designat­ed hitter Carrie Wisen.

The three runs would hold up, as Stenglein would shut down the Orangewomen the rest of the way for the 3-1 victory.

On Friday against the Huskies, the Irish relied on the arm of Stenglein (14-9) as she picked up her 12th and 13th victories of the year. Stenglein had been battling a groin injury over the past week.

"I felt really good," Stenglein said. "I was happy to be back on the mound throwing again."

In the first game against the Huskies, Stenglein and Connecticut pitcher Barbara Cook squared off in a pitchers' duel as they matched zeros through the first seven innings.

"She [Cook] is a good little pitcher," Gumpf said. "We hit her decent. We got seven hits off her, but we just didn't get the runs we needed."

After being frustrated all day by Cook, the Irish were finally able to push a run across the plate in the eighth inning. With two outs, right fielder Megan Gumpf started the rally with a double just inside the right-field line to put a runner in scoring position.

"Third baseman Andrea Leman lined Cook's 2-0 pitch into center field to score Gumpf from second and give the Irish 1-0 vic­tory."

"I was definitely looking for a fastball all the way," Leman said. "I just happened to throw it right in there and I was looking to hit it hard somewhere." Leman said.

In the second game of the dou­bleheader, both teams started the same starting pitchers, hoping for a repeat performance.

The Irish were the ones who received a repeat pitching perfor­mance as they defeated the Huskies 8-0.

Unfortunately for the Huskies, Cook was forced to leave the game in second inning when she was struck in the face by a Mattison line drive. On the play, Bledsoe scored to give the Irish a 1-0 lead.

The Irish scored three more runs, one of them unearned, in the fourth to take a commanding 4-0 lead.

In the sixth, the Irish would score four runs on only two hits. After consecutive walks to Bledsoe, Mattison and leftfielder Liz Hartmann, designated hitter Nicole deFua singled through the left side of the infield to score Bledsoe. After a wild pitch allowed Mattison to score, pitch hitter Annie Dell'Aria knocked in Hartmann and deFua as she dou­bled down the left field line.

Stenglein and Wisen's pitching silenced the Husky bats Friday. The two combined to give up only eight hits and no runs in 14 innings.

"Steffany did a great job," Gumpf said. "She did exactly what I needed her to do; set the tone and keep them off balance a bit. Then Carrie comes in with her changeup and shuts the door."

The Irish will have a chance to start a new winning streak Wednesday as they take a break from Big East play and square off against Indiana State. The Irish will then play Bowling Green on Thursday and then resume Big East play on Saturday against Virginia Tech.

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Irish end home winning streak with loss to Kentucky

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men’s tennis team entered the weekend looking to finish the season undefeated on the squad’s home courts.

The Irish, 19-6, failed in that respect, but they still finished the weekend strong, closing with their best regular-season record since 1994, when they went 21-9.

Their home winning streak was halted as the No. 16 Kentucky Wildcats handed the seventh-ranked Irish a 4-1 loss at the Courtney Tennis Center. The Irish redeemed themselves on Sunday, though, defeating Ball State 4-3, without the services of three players, including No. 18 Javier Taborga.

“We got a little down [after the loss] on Saturday because it was our big match, but we all got fired up and fought well [on Sunday],” sophomore Luis Haddock-Morales said.

Both days began the same way, with the Irish posting wins in the first doubles matches. On Saturday against Kentucky, after that promising start, Notre Dame went on to lose the doubles point, as well as four of six singles matches. Against Ball State, though, the Irish earned the doubles point and won the first three singles matches, clinching victory.

Taborga could not play on Sunday because of NCAA playing-date restrictions. Notre was also without freshman Brent D’Amico, who was hurt while playing the Wildcats and junior Brian Farrell, who is out for the rest of the season due to injury.

Sunday’s match, though, saw Casey Smith and Ashok Raja, replacing Smith’s usual partner Taborga, defeat Ball State’s Kevin Burnett and Jason Pressel, 8-5. It was the Irish duo’s first time playing together.

After their victory and a loss by seniors James Malhame and Aaron Talarico, the sophomore duo of Haddock-Morales and Matt Scott gave the Irish the doubles point for the first time in four matches with their 8-4 triumph against Klint Knaale and Andrew Seni.

Although the duo of Taborga and Smith is ranked fourth nationally, the rest of the Irish doubles pairs, whose make-up has varied over the past weeks, continue to be a concern for the team, even after the win against unranked Ball State.

“We have the tools, but we need to put it together,” Haddock-Morales said.

Sunday’s victory was secured for Notre Dame by the singles triumphs of Scott, ranked 77th nationally, senior Andrew Tallin and Haddock Morales.

All three defeated their opponents in straight sets.

“The score was four to three, but the four points we won, we won quickly,” Haddock-Morales said.

After Notre Dame had secured victory against Ball State, the Irish suffered three post-clinch losses by No. 87 Smith, Talarico and Malhame.

Bayliss called the loss to Kentucky a bad day, saying that everything theoretically should have gone well for the Irish.

“Every now and then, not often, we’ll have a match where a number of plays don’t have a good day,” Bayliss said. “Andrew Laffin played exceptionally well [on Saturday], Matt Scott, after a slow start, really regrouped well. None of the other players really had a good day.”

The Irish hope their win against the Cardinals on Sunday will help propel them into the Big East Championships, which begin on Friday. Notre Dame is expected to receive the No. 1 seed in the tournament.

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**Irish lose in triple overtime**

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When down 8-6 with 1:40 left, the ninth-ranked Irish could have given up and gone home. The No. 7 Blue Devils would have been happy to take the win. But the Irish refused to give up and took the Blue Devils to triple overtime before falling 10-9.

The game was pushed into overtime by a free position score from Maureen Henwood, followed by Meredith Simon's wrap around goal with 19 seconds left.

"The Duke game was unbelievable. Unfortunately we didn't come out with a win," White said. "As a team we did the best we've ever done. Offensively, I've never been more proud of them."

Duke scored the first goal in overtime but Shearer responded for the Irish and evened the game at nine. In the third overtime period — sudden death — Notre Dame's Natalie Lofts beat the entire Duke team and the goalie, but her shot clanged off the post.

Duke marched downfield and found a seam to steal the game from the Irish, 10-9.

Duke had jumped out to an early lead, 3-0, by capitalizing on several turnovers by the Irish, especially on the offensive end.

Lofts, who was constantly running around Duke defenders, opened the Irish scoring to make the game 3-1.

When Duke scored again 3:03 into the fourth overtime, Henwood pushed the game into overtime by scoring in the last minutes of the Irish 10-9 loss to Duke.

**Syracuse snaps Irish win streak**

**By AARON RONSHIE$**

Sports Writer

For the Notre Dame softball team, the weekend opened with a bang but closed with a whimper.

On Sunday afternoon, the Irish (25-9, 9-2) saw numerous streaks snapped by Syracuse and Orange's pitcher Tara DiMaggio in the second game of a doubleheader. The 3-0 loss ended Notre Dame's 14-game win streak, its 26-game Ivy Field win streak and its Big East conference regular-season win streak at 36.

"The one thing we have to do is bring some energy to the field," Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said. "I think we were a little flat. We're here playing and we have to give it our all and we didn't."

**Baseball**

**Irish out Hokies in doubleheader**

**By JOE HETTLER**

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Neither Matt Bok nor Joe Thaman started the opening game of a doubleheader against Virginia Tech Friday night for the Irish baseball team, but they definitely did their part to help end it.

Bok's pinch-hit triple in the bottom of the 11th inning was followed by Thaman's hard ground ball up the middle that ricocheted off Hokie pitcher Matt Crier's head, allowing Bok to score from third base and give the Irish a 2-1 win.

The game was the second win of the evening for the Irish. The first win was in the opening game of a doubleheader against the Hokies Friday night.

With the wins, Notre Dame improves to 8-6 in the Big East and 21-12 overall, while Virginia Tech dropped to 7-5 in Big East play and 12-15 overall.

"Those two wins for us against Virginia Tech were as big of wins as we've had this season," Mainieri said. "I keep telling our players all year that Jesus, a.k.a. Steve Gillespie. "But we were wrong. God has forsaken us."

Shane Hudnall, dressed as Adam, played the entire game barefoot and clad only in fig leaves. Despite playing the second half with one hand because he was eating an apple, Hudnall still played effective ball handling and a