University Libraries announce budget cutbacks

Students encounter research difficulties with reduction of journals

By JOE TROMBELLO
News Writer

Because the rising costs of journal and book subscriptions have outpaced the budget increase for the 2002-03 school year, the Notre Dame Libraries have been forced to reduce commitments by 6 percent.

"Library deficits affect everyone on campus," said Assistant Librarian Cheryl Smith. "Budget problems have a wide sweep because every [University] department uses the library," she said.

Since 1986, the journal unit cost has increased 226 percent and the book unit cost has risen 66 percent, while the price of inflation increased only 57 percent during the time period. According to Jennifer Younger, director of University libraries, the libraries' collection budget and endowment revenues had previously absorbed these inflationary increases but were unable to do so this fiscal year.

The economic downturn also contributed to a decrease in endowment portfolios. While purchasing power of books and journals decreased by 10 percent because of rising costs, the collections' budget only increased between 2 and 2.5 percent.

Overall for next year, the increase in the library collection budget is less than the rate of inflation for library materials. Therefore with this limited increase, we have to be more selective in our purchase of books and journals during the 2002-03 school year," Younger said in a letter addressed to all faculty members in April 2002.

With faculty input, subject librarians in April and May assuarged which journals and books students and staff most frequently used. Over 500 journal titles were cancelled to save $170,000 at the end of the Spring 2002 semester.

By the end of this calendar year, the library will also eliminate the 891 journal subscriptions the library can reduce its costs with the savings from the cancellation of journals. The resulting cut in electronic and paper access. In this way, the library can reduce its costs without eliminating core content.

"Teaching faculty collaborated with librarians to keep the most needed journals," Younger said. "Trading off the less needed and less frequently used [material was needed] to keep the more needed material."

Younger said that although the University libraries relied on faculty members and library representatives to work together to determine which materials could be culled, the 2002-03 University Committee on Libraries has both an undergraduate and a graduate student representative to provide student input and suggestions.

"Having access to the latest papers is to research what buying oil is to a car. You can't do without it," said Wesley Calvert, graduate student representative. "A lot of graduate students are unhappy with the cuts that have come through already. Since it makes things harder to access and there is some material that we just aren't getting anymore."

Although Smith, a subject librarian for education and psychology, has not yet cut any unique journal or book titles, she said that she anticipates she will need to do so to cut commitments by the necessary 6 percent. Some journals in her areas have almost doubled in price from the previous year. Nevertheless, such price increases have not come without criticism. Organizations and coalitions like SPARC (Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition) have risen to fight price increases and publishers' control in an attempt to return science back to the scientists as opposed to the publishing corporations.

"Some commercial publishers have raised prices to a degree that we find unacceptable," Younger said. "We are encouraging the faculty and the scholarly society to bring pressure to bear on commercial publishers."

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ND campus reflects on fall dances

By TERESA FRALISH
Assistant News Editor

Just one semester after the University instituted sweeping changes in an effort to curb drinking among Notre Dame students, 19 dorms have held their fall dances under the new policies that require dorms to hold their SYBs outside of the residence halls. Despite the new regulations, students and staff say it seems too early to tell what the final result will be.

"I think the jury's still out," said Jeff Shoup, director of Residence Life.

Last March, Student Affairs announced the new policies, ending a long tradition of in-hall SYBs. University officials felt that many students were leaving the dances to drink in their rooms. In attempt to ease concerns about increased costs, Student Affairs offered each dorm $1,000 subsidy for this year only to help with financial difficulties. Student Affairs also identified about 20 off-campus locations, ranging from Alumni Senior Club to the basement of the Knights of Columbus building, where dorm dances could be held.

One of the major players in last year's decision to end in-hall dances, Father Mark Poorman, the University's vice-president for Student Affairs, said he felt the new requirements had been a good policy.

"It's early to say," Poorman said. "But overall we have received a lot of positive feedback about the dances this year, especially from students.

Representatives from Student Government worked with Poorman's office over the summer to ensure that the new policies would be implemented smoothly. "Our office worked all summer with Student Body President Libby Bishop and her staff. The input of all these folks was invaluable," Poorman said.

Bishop's office said student feedback about this year's dances has been both positive and negative. "I've heard such mixed reactions and mixed emotions," said Bishop.

Students have fun this weekend at the Welsh Hall formal, which was held in the Rotunda of the Main Building. The feeling among students and staff about the new dance policies has been mixed.

"I think the jury's still out," said Bishop. "I really think that Student Affairs will talk to us if we can nail down specific improvements."

Residence Life officials said they have seen a slight decrease in safety and alcohol issues at dances held this year so far. "I would say we've had a bit fewer cases of discipline afterwards," said Bishop.

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Freshman Colin Taylor researches a paper at the periodical section of the Hesburgh Library, a department that will soon undergo steep budget cuts.

ANNIE O'CONNOR/The Observer
Today, the answers are all up to warm weather, and it was Friday. I page 2

The Observer

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I slipped on my headphones as I headed to my single Friday class, and just as I approached South Quad, the song on my Walkman hit its crescendo. I'm not going to tell you what song I was listening to. Well, ok, fine. So, there's nothing to be embarrassed about. It was Whitney Houston's One Moment In Time. It's a good song!

But the point is, when I heard Whitney asking for that moment to be more than she thought she could be, I thought, "This is my song! Today, the answers are all up to me!" It was perfect timing.

And that's when I decided I needed a soundtrack to my life. When I walk by the Grotto, the Rudy theme song should waft through the air. When I'm hurrying to get to O'Slag, "Heroes of Fire" should play as I dash in and out of the students on the quad. When I'm down and emp-abled, and I need a helping hand, and nothing, whoo nothing's going right, maybe James Taylor would be my friend.

I choose the scenario poses a few problems. As I sit in class with the Dixie Chicks' "Earl Had to Die" playing during a whimsical moment, it may disturb any Earls who happen to be in the vicinity. And perhaps as I wait in line at Becker's on a Friday night, I might regret having Garth Brooks begging me to give him two pina coladas. At the very least, it may disturb any Earls who happen to be if, at the very moment I ventured into my professor's office, Britney Spears suddenly declared her "condo? Or if I decided to take a graduate school interview with "Because I Got High" blaring from the speakers?

As exciting as the soundtrack to my life sounds, implementing the plan would probably cause more problems than I need at this point in my life. I suppose I will have to content myself to be more than she thought she

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Saint Mary's students and staff attend women's forum

SMC students and staff along with women from the South Bend community attended a program on women's concerns at Memorial Hospital.

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Lawyers for Pacific Electric and Gas and state of- ficials return to bankruptcy court Monday to debate the future of California's largest utility company.

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Professor Dan Lindsey and senior Matthew Osburn argue that the poli-cies of the Iraqi dictator, not economic sanctions are the real cause of Iraq's problems.

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A Scene reviewer checks out Ani DiFranco's most recent performance of her indie-rock music style in Chicago.

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Womens soccer advances in the NCAAA tournament

After beating both Ohio State and Purdue 3-1 over the weekend, the Notre Dame women's team advanced to the third round of the NCAAA tournament.

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

DUI reported on Friday

NDSP apprehended a visitior on Sunday.

Friday morning for driving under the influence and exceeding the posted speed limit. The case was closed with an arrest of the individual.

Employee keeps car from being towed

A University employee's vehicle was being towed from the Stadium Circle on Thursday, when the owner arrived and paid the tow fee.

Employee reports harassment

A University employee reported being verbally harassed at the LaFountes Student Center. The case is being referred for administra-tive review.

Complied from the NDSP crime blotter.
Students and staff attend women’s forum

By MELANIE BECKER

Women from South Bend and the Saint Mary’s community attended Saturday the Center for Intercultural Women’s Leadership day-long workshop, “Health and Cultural Competence.”

The focus of the program was for women in the South Bend community, Saint Mary’s faculty and students to come together to discuss women’s health issues and women as leaders in the world.

“This is part of the Catalyst Project, which seeks to foster the leadership of women and to link women community leaders with women in the Saint Mary’s Community,” Meredith Sargere, director of CWW, said.

The day opened at 8:30 a.m. with an introduction titled “Our Bodies, Ourselves: Internationalizing the Women’s Health Movement,” by CWW fellow and co-coordinator of the event, Maricia Good-Maust.

“(The workshop) brought to campus ways to deal with conflict among peers in the business world,” Saint Mary’s junior Joan Munke said.

The rest of day consisted of four 90-minute sessions. The program provided a variety of workshops most had a second follow-up session. Saint Mary’s faculty members and several women leaders selected from the South Bend community led the workshops.

Some of the workshops focused on the topics of Caring for the Self: Self Expression for Latina Mothers, Body Praying.

The day ended with a fashion show title, “Dress with Less for a League of Hero Women.”

“Wisconsin La Crosse has 12 residence halls and we only have four. They had a lot more programming because they have so many residence halls,” Ross said.

Ross said that Saint Mary’s diversity within RHA has grown in the past year, especially with the new InterCultural Living community. We are working on opening up RHA to more student diversity.” Ross said “I think RHA and (Student Diversity Board) should work together.”

Ross plans to re-submit her presentation. She attended the sub-regional conference in the spring. The sub-regional competition only includes colleges and universities from Indiana.

“I think Saint Mary’s needs to be recognized for its dramatic improvement over the past year,” Ross said.

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Cyprus

U.N. officials prepare for arms inspections in Iraq

Associated Press

LARNACA

The chief U.N. weapons inspector landed in Cyprus Sunday to assemble his team for a return to Iraq, and said the "question of war and peace" awaits an answer from Saddam Hussein.

President Bush has warned that Saddam faces military action if he fails to cooperate fully with the inspectors, who are due to fly to Iraq on Monday. Saddam faces a three-week deadline to reveal weapons of mass destruction or provide convincing evidence he no longer has any.

Chief U.N. inspector Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei, overseeing the International Atomic Energy Agency's search for nuclear weapons, flew to Cyprus from Vienna, Austria. They joined about two dozen other members of the advance team assembling here to prepare for a resumption of inspections after a nearly four-year absence.

"The question of war and peace rests in all the hands of Iraq, the Security Council and the management of the Security Council," Blix said.

Blix, who will lead the overall inspections, said his team was prepared to meet the challenge of ensuring Iraqi compliance. But he said he hoped Iraq would not try to hide anything.

The 74-year-old Swedish diplomat, who is taking along much more sophisticated equipment than was available when the inspection program was suspended in December 1998, admitted Sunday that Saddam Hussein was not cooperating with the inspectors.

"We do of course expect to get help from the (U.N.) member states," Blix said. "We also have modern equipment that is superior to what we had in the past. But...we would like the Iraqis to declare, and this is an opportunity for them to do so and we hope that they will seize that opportunity.

Bush is insisting on "zero tolerance" of the Iraqi delaying tactics and deceit which marked the previous inspection effort.

ElBaradei, an Egyptian, said there was a need for "intrusive verifications," meaning inspections "will see every meun at our disposal to make sure that Iraq does not have weapons of mass destruction.

Also, Iraqis with key information will be interviewed to see if it was dangerous to go outside the country if it was necessary to protect their safety. But, he acknowledged, "if people do not want to talk, we obviously will not be able to force them to talk.

However, Blix favors cooperation "in the interest of the Iraqis, and the differences in approach could create tension between the inspectors and the Bush administration," U.N. officials said Sunday on condition of anonymity.

One official said the Americans are keen to beef up the mission, and Blix and equipment Blix may not consider necessary.

"We're happy for the handshake, but we don't want the hug," said the official, referring to Blix's interest in U.S. support but also in avoiding the appearance that Americans are running the show.

Ridge downplays recent al-Qaida threat as 'nothing new'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

With the Senate set to approve the agency he's expected to lead, President Bush's homeland security adviser on Sunday played down its role as "nothing new." He also pointed out that the alleged al-Qaida threat.

"We're familiar with that piece of information. There are no new threats. There are the same old conditions," Ridge told "Fox News Sunday.

"It's just part of the continuing threat environment that we assess. It's really nothing new."

Chief U.N. Weapons Inspector Hans Blix, right, and Director of International Atomic Energy Agency Mohamed El Baradel address reporters during a news conference in Larnaca, Cyprus Sunday.

Blix and Baradel will head to Baghdad Monday to begin the resumption of inspection in Iraq.

Nuns arrested at SOA protest

More than 90 people, including at least six nuns, were arrested for marching onto Fort Benning grounds Sunday during an annual protest of a U.S. military program that trains Latin American soldiers.

"I feel anger at the deliberate teaching of violence," Caryl Hartin, a nun from Fondulac, Ill., said as she entered the compound, where she was arrested.

About 6,600 protesters gathered for the 13th annual demonstration by the School of the Americas Watch, which continues to protest the Nov. 19, 1989, killings of six Jesuit priests in El Salvador. Protesters said they demonstrate because people responsible for the killings were trained at the School of the Americas, a Fort Benning-based program that was replaced last year by a new institute. Protesters say the change was only cosmetic. The demonstrators passed through the base's gates, including one where they cut the padlock and slipped through fence posts to get onto the property.

Highjacker foiled on Israeli airline

Security guards on Israel's national airline El Al overpowered a suspected hijacker who tried to storm the cockpit of a Tel Aviv to Istanbul flight on Sunday, apparently armed with a pen knife, officials said.

None of the 170 passengers on board the Boeing 757 were harmed and the plane landed safely at the airport of Tashufin. Fokurka, a 24-year-old Arab with an Israeli passport. Cakirlar said El Al Flight 581 sent out a hijacking signal as it approached Istanbul International airport but a "man wearing a mask" had already been subdued.

"No one was seriously injured," Cakirlar told The Associated Press by telephone. "The terrorist is in custody at the police station in the airport."

The suspect, a tall, thin man with dark features, was later seen being taken out of the airport in handcuffs by undercover police. Passengers said the man threatened a flight attendant then tried to kick in the door to the cockpit.

Ice storm strikes New England

New England's first major ice storm of the season spread freezing rain across the region Sunday, downing trees and knocking out power to thousands of homes. More than a half inch of ice had accumulated in parts of northern and western Connecticut, and more than 130,000 Northeast Utility customers were without power at the height of the outage.

Several towns in the northwest part of the state set up emergency shelters while more than 100 linemen worked to restore power. About 100,000 customers remained without electricity late Sunday afternoon. An estimated 15,000 Central Maine Power customers were without electricity by Sunday afternoon, said CMP spokesman Kevin Howes. Dozens of cars slid off highways and speed limits were reduced to 45 mph on the Maine Turnpike and Interstate 95.
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As publishers have devised new ways of packaging and pro-
ducing materials, they have gained the control to set price
levels and forced libraries to increase their purchases.
Whereas librarians could once purchase individual journal titles,
publishers have begun to sell many titles in one package. The
University Libraries currently subscribe to five major packages with over 2,900 journals.

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In Brief

'Potter' sequel has 3rd best opening

The "Chamber of Secrets" has been released, and Harry Potter has found a fortune inside. "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," the second installment in the fantasy franchise based on J.K. Rowling's novels, took $87.7 million, the third-best debut weekend ever, according to studio estimates Sunday.

"Chamber of Secrets" came in behind the No. 2 movie, the Disney fantasy "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" a year ago. Though "Chamber of Secrets" opened in a record 3,682 theaters on a record 8,515 screens, distributor Warner Bros. had not expected the movie to set revenue records.

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PG&E's future at stake in court

+ Bankruptcy case to resume Monday

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

They've tried for the past 19 months, scouring legal documents, calculating dollars spent by the best witnesses. They've logged thousands of hours at work than at home during the last few weeks.

On Monday, teams of lawyers and consultants representing Pacific Gas and Electric Co. and state power regulators head back into federal bankruptcy court to start a grueling, weeks-long process to argue in favor of their plans, which will determine the future of California's largest utility.

Aside from record electric rate hikes that appear likely to remain in place for months to come, things haven't changed much for the average customer since a federal bankruptcy court filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in April 2001. The dishwahser hums. The blue trucks still show up when big trees tackle power lines. The bills still come in the mail.

Behind the scenes, PG&E is feeling pressure from all sides. Its parent corporation said last week it will lose $20 million per quarter if the utility remains stuck in bankruptcy beyond the end of May.

Federal judges can't agree whether the utility's post-bankruptcy plans are legal. PG&E had to spend more than $2 million to fight a public takeover in San Francisco, its home town. Major creditors, including some of the nation's largest banks and energy companies, are owed billions. Depending how PG&E emerges from debt, ratepayers could be on the hook to come up with the cash.

Everyone involved, from creditors to the Public Utilities Commission. agrees it's imperative to help PG&E settle its debts and become creditworthy again. California wants to stop being a power buyer or financier and can't until energy sellers believe PG&E is able to pay its bills. Creditors, of course, want their money sooner rather than later.

Trouble is, the state and the utility couldn't agree less on how to make it happen and have threatened to take the matter before the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary.

PG&E brushed aside offers of help from Gov. Gray Davis and state energy regulators just days before it entered bankruptcy court. It entered the court months after the utility warned soaring power costs were pushing it into tens of billions of dollars of debt and asked for higher rates to make up the difference.

The utility is trying to convince U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Dennis Montali that it would become a more stable entity by weakening its ties to the state. PG&E hopes to transfer billions of dollars worth of transmission lines, pipelines and other assets into new federally regulated companies, then borrow against those assets to pay its debts.

Analysts say federal regulation would enable the utility to earn more money should energy prices climb again, enhancing the value of those assets.

Currently, the state continues to doubt how much PG&E can charge for the electricity it churns from its power plants and hydroelectric dams.

The state and a major committee of PG&E's creditors, on the other hand, want to force PG&E, its shareholders and its ratepayers to generate money to pay the debts through selling stock and maintaining electricity rates that already are among the most expensive in the nation.

PG&E's woes are just one piece of California's puzzling energy bill, the cost of which increasingly is trickling down to millions of ratepayers and other major utilities as more bills come due.

United Airlines to cut 9,000 jobs

Associated Press

The parent company of United Airlines said Sunday it would cut 9,000 jobs and reduce its flight schedule by 10 percent as part of a restructuring plan tied to the carrier's effort to return to profitability.

UAL Corp. faces a Dec. 2 deadline in its court-ordered bankruptcy filing. It hopes to receive a $1.8 billion loan guarantee from the government.

The carrier has been talking with the Air Transportation Stabilization Board over the last week about its loan application and what it needs to do to qualify for the loan guarantee.

The Elk Grove Village, Ill.-based airline said that with the cutbacks, it should be profitable by 2004.

"Our plan is intended to restore United's financial health, and it gives us the ability to repay ATM-guaranteed loans," Glenn Tilton, United's chairman and chief executive officer, said in a statement. "The plan aligns our costs and revenues, while building a platform for future growth."

United spokesman Jeff Green said the airline's staff would be cut to 74,000 from the current 83,000 by 2004. The additional 6 percent flight reduction would decrease the size of the nation's No. 2 carrier by 23 percent overall from its size before the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

Spokeswoman Chris Nardella declined to discuss which jobs are being targeted by the cuts. Earlier this month, United said it plans to furlough 2,700 flight attendants beginning in January because of a reduced flight schedule planned for next year. Officials said the layoffs would bring the number of flight attendants on furlough to roughly 4,800.

United said it also plans to retire an additional 49 aircraft, defer all scheduled aircraft deliveries through 2005 and lower capital spending.

PG&E Co. spokesperson Ron Low is surrounded by protestors and reporters after the 2001 PG&E bankruptcy hearing. The case for PG&E's future resumes Monday.
**Muscle treatment tested**

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Doctors testing a new technique for heart attacks said Sunday they have restored tissue to seemingly dead heart muscle by seeding it with cells borrowed from patients' own thighs.

The idea is to find an alternative to transplants for people whose hearts have been damaged. If it fails to pump blood forcefully enough, called heart failure, is a growing health problem that afflicts an estimated 5 million people in the United States alone.

Two years ago, a French doctors described a novel alternative: He put millions of immature skeletal muscle cells into the badly damaged heart of a 72-year-old man. His heart began to pump more powerfully, although it was unclear whether the benefit came from the new cells or from coronary bypass surgery he received at the same time.

That physician, Dr. Philippe Manasche of Bichat Hospital in Paris, has now repeated the approach on 16 patients getting either coronary bypass or temporary pumps to keep them alive until they could have heart transplants.

Ordinarily, the heart pushes out more than half of its blood with each beat. But each of Dib's patients had such bad heart failure that their hearts pumped just 23 percent.

After the bypess and cells injection, this improved to 36 percent, although it was impossible to say how much, if any, of the new cells had actually resulted from the extra cells.

Like Manasche, Dib's team begins with immature muscle cells, called myoblasts, obtained from patients' own thighs. These are grown in test tubes until millions are available. Then they are injected into the heart of the heart that died during heart attacks.

"We didn't give living tissue in the injection," Dib said. "If this proves efficacious, we will imporve the quality of life of our patients and their survival."


**Israel**

Associated Press

Gaza City

Israeli helicopters and tanks hit Gaza City early Sunday, targeting a main Palestinian security compound about 100 yards from the targeted base. He told the AP that his parents had asked him not to fire but he was not harmed. He charged that a Palestinian cabinet operation "aggression" and warned that "security and stability already at risk."

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However, Israeli leaders have said that militant groups operate unfettered in Gaza, and the Israeli military would confront them at some point.

Near the Red Sea, Turkish police were interrogating a passenger who officials say hijacked an El Al Israel Airlines plane just before it landed in Istanbul on Monday. The plane was en route to Tel Aviv when the passenger, an Israeli Arab, "tried to reach the cockpit with what we assume now is a small puck or hammer," the Turkish police said. There were no casualties expected.

The problem is, most students either do not know of the services UBWell2@ND offers or do not know how to find them.

UBWell2@ND is here to help! With the help of a partnership organization formed through collaborative efforts from Health Services, RecSports, Food Services, Physical Education, Counseling Center, Office of the Vice President for Medical, Hospital Community Health Enhancement program.

More importantly, a group of undergraduate students have played an instrumental role in the development of the organization.

"Because UBWell2@ND is student-driven, it translates into a sincere understanding of the attitudes, beliefs, and desires of the student body concerning wellness and health," said group member Molly Francis, a junior Sociology and Hispanic major.

While the representatives of the various health oriented programs on campus want to inform students to their health promotion methods that would capture and sustain the interest of young adults.

Through personal experience with the student members of UBWell2@ND can evaluate the current health needs at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's as well as the effective ways to circulate that information.

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The Palestinian forces have not yet "provided support" for a series of terror attacks in the area, the army said.

The Israeli forces pulled out after more than three hours, leaving several of the 11 buildings in the security compound in ruins in the main administration building, targeted for a second time in two years of fighting.

Furniture was smashed and computers destroyed, the army said. Some parts littering the floor as firefighters fought a blaze nearby.

As tanks moved into the city, Israeli gunboats opened fire on the shoreline, shelling the area where Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's office was. The complex was destroyed in an Israeli attack several months ago. Apartment buildings and a hospital also came under fire.

The sounds of explosions could be heard all over the 300-square-kilometer Gaza Strip. Witnesses said troops fired shells at the house of Yusef Mustafa, a Preventive Security officer arrested recently by the Israelis on suspicion of planning attacks against Israelis. Mustafa Mughar and his wife, who lives near the Preventive Security base, told The Associated Press by telephone that he was hit in the head as Israeli children after gafhit the house from three directions, and added he heard "the sound of explosions mixed with screams of child.

Palestinian official Tayeb Bakri, a member of the Palestinian parliament from the Daburiya, which is 10,000 yards from the targeted base. He told the AP that his parents had asked him not to fire but he was not harmed. He charged that a Palestinian cabinet operation "aggression" and warned that "security and stability already at risk."

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Outside, he said he heard gunfire hit his house and the sound of ammunition being unloaded in the cellar. "We heardroof shelling in this area," he said.

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"Most students just don’t realize how many wellness resources the University offers. And even if they do know they exist, finding out how to contact someone in that area can be even more of a challenge. It’s our focus to equip students with this information so they don’t have to waste time searching for it," said Kaliski.

UBWell2@ND will cover topics such as food are applicable to the time period in which they occur. November will focus on the importance of sleep management in the inevitable cramming for finals. January brings information on Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD). February is National Eating Disorders Month, and the group will focus on problems eating in a manner less familiar to students at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s. Nutritional information will be offered. Students may not acknowledge or realize how many wellness resources health services would be valuable to you want to see discussed? What topic." says Colleen Barrett, senior English major. "We aren't limited to the one specific topic.

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We want to know if this address works! The first 25 people to email UBWell2@ND.edu with questions or comments will receive a coupon for a free sandwich to any Food Service Cafe or Dining Hall. Eye out around campus for health-related information in The Observer and stall notes. If you pay attention to it, there will be more chances to win great prizes.
Prison fire prompts questions of safety

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C.
In the six months since a jail fire killed eight inmates trapped in their cells, North Carolina investigators have overhauled safety programs and increased pressure on local jail officials to improve their lock-ups.

"It's the nightmare you didn't want," said Robert G. Lewis, who heads the Jail and Detention section of the state Department of Health and Human Services.

"The whole ball game changed," with the May 3 fire at the Mitchell County Jail, he said.

The evening blaze began in storage room where a wall-mounted heater apparently ignited a leaning stack of cardboard. With thick smoke pouring through the building, a jailer pulled a towel over her face and tried to crowd to the inmates, but each cell door had to be unlocked manually. Seven of the inmates died still behind bars on the second floor.

Prosecutors investigated the response by authorities and on Friday, cleared both the jailer and sheriff of any wrongdoing.

Carolina began its jail inspections program 35 years ago. When local sheriffs first investigated a 1967 fire at the Mitchell County Jail, inspectors found a stairwell fire door tied open with a wire so jailers could hear prisoners on the second floor. In Madison County, an addition to the jail had been built without a permit and exit signs lacked emergency lighting.

Many of those types of problems have been corrected, but Lewis wants counties to do more.

Ideally, each jail would have a sprinkler system, though Lewis says that would cost tens of thousands of dollars that counties don't want to spend on aging jails. So he is asking every county without a sprinkler system to install ventilation systems that can suck smoke out.

Mitchell County needed just a few days and $1,700 to install one earlier this year.

When local sheriffs haven't been able to persuade county officials to pay for safety improvements, Lewis has gone to the meetings himself to lobby for more.

He told Montgomery County commissioners in September to replace their 1927 jail, and ordered them in the meantime to add a smoke evacuation system, alleviate crowding and put another officer on each shift.

The inspections found hundreds of problems, including faulty or absent smoke detectors and improper storage of wood, paper and other combustible materials some of the same problems found in Mitchell County after the fire, the state Labor Department said.

In the 96-year-old Cherokee County jail inspected, a stairwell fire door tied open with a wire so jailers could hear prisoners on the second floor. In Madison County, an addition to the jail had been built without a permit and exit signs lacked emergency lighting.

"We got him just after he got the call on his cell phone," said Li Yannong, recounting the chase in China's northern Ningxia region.

On board, the officers found 14 tons of white, powdered counterfeit salt.

Li and his colleagues are in China's salt police, 25,000 officers with red epaulettes and gold badges in the shape of salt crystals who enforce one of the oldest economic policies in the world; the Chinese government's exclusive right to produce and sell salt.

Although China first imposed the salt monopoly 2,600 years ago, the police force was created just eight years ago to help fulfill a millennium goal.

In 1994, China launched a national campaign to fortify all salt with iodine, a mineral needed for healthy brain development in fetuses.

The salt police were set up to shut down hundreds of producers and merchants who had appeared during the market reforms of the 1980s. The officers also patrol remote regions like Ningxia where smugglers sell illegal salt that is cheaper, but not iodized.

Li is often the case under the communist regime, the tactics are heavy-handed. But experts say they have helped China achieve one of the biggest health successes in recent history.

By 2000, 90 percent of China's 1.3 billion people were eating iodized salt, up from 10 percent in the 1980s. That means more than 18 million of the 20 million children born annually in China have a better chance of good brain development.

By contrast, iodized salt accounts for only 70 percent of consumption in the United States. Americans started adding iodine to salt in the 1920s to prevent goiter and other thyroid problems.

"If you can convince the right person, something can happen," said Dr. Ray Yip, a UNICEF adviser in Beijing. "If you can convince the right person, something can happen."
I buy my friends

I knew it would hold. Full semester. Junior year. All the cool kids seem to disappear. I lost a couple to Ireland, England and Asia. Lost a couple more to Spain. Like my big brother always said, I was a loser. Again.

I took to the streets, to the dark aisles of Wal-Mart, and even fell asleep at the Rock in a "hard" candy machine. It was bad, but not for naught, I stumbled upon a stranger. He was dark. He was dirty, real dirty. He was taller than he looked, and, oh, he was handsome. I wanted to say something to him, to ask him to take him, to pop a wheelie on him. Or at least to take him home.

He was a Huffy, but I was a Schwinn man; always had been. I would change. He was a beautiful burnt red, perhaps sienna, and emblazoned on his side were 8 letters: V-E-R-G-O-N-A. Scenes from Italy crashed into my head. I thought Shakespeare. I thought love. Then I thought: that might be right.

But I needed a bike lock first, and he needed a name. Shelby, Zack, D. No, no, I desperately lunged into the caged thing with the little bicycle-sized license plates. Almost biblical. He was something. Something western names parted to reveal "Juan." Hmmmm. It was short, it was sexy and it was classy. It was perfect. And it was at least a 72-size font so everyone would be able to see him, talk about him and marvel at him from distant classroom windows.

Juan and I have been together for almost two months now, and I am happy to report that it's going awesome. The only problem is how hard he is to keep up with. He's like a 5-year-old, but much cooler. He possesses 18 devastatingly fast speeds, none of which even begin to express the magnitude of his awesomeness.

Kind of like a haiku. The Japanese believed haiku could transcend the limitations of language to achieve unimaginable beauty. So why achieve unimaginable coolness? Thus, through an effort to oppose the linear thinking of man as machine, haiku was born. Juan fits the mode, and though, she was probably hot, too, I just know it. As in any healthy relationship (stress healthy), Juan and I continually reinvent one another. He does me, and for him.

He has changed the way I look at things and the standards to which I hold others. In him I have helped get my feet wet with the new female crowd. He prefers the luminous 24 speeds as prevalent on this side of the lake to those 10s across water. I don't like it. I like the Rock around campus, and strongly question the apparent preference for those curious updo's and U-shaped imitations. For that sole reason we abandoned exercising at Bolts for the racks at the Rock. Can't say we regret it.

But I absolutely turned out alright for me, after all. I got a real nifty bike for a great price. I got a best friend, my haiku. I got mine, and you can get yours.

Keep your head up. Don't get down because your roommate since freshman year is an ocean away, and forget what your girlfriend is getting on in Ireland. It's not too late. You still can salvage your friendship. Keep busy. Go out. Get acquainted with more than you bargained for. I know I did.

And please, get it a name. I know at least a handful of others did. I've seen you, Michaela, and you, Thomas, and you, Pablo, and don't think I forgot about you, Elizabeth.

It is going so well with Juan that I have even begun to look at baskets. It's a surprise. But I have this cute little wooden one picked out. How is that for inspiration? But the ultimate goal is to get her. She said yes, and I think...but she's shy — you might just enjoy the ride.

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

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Chalking does not further causes

I think it's funny that Ed Cohen, a member of the ND Peace Coalition, acknowledges that the pro-peace defacing of pro-war chalking doesn't help their cause. It's funny because he seems to have missed the import of the regular, not-vandalizing-the-chalk-ing-of-others type of chalking actually does help their cause. Wake up, Peaceco. No chalking helps any cause.

I challenge any of you to provide one example of a case when someone has had an opinion swayed by a phrase etched on the sidewalk. In fact, the sooner one can leap to find one instance where a person has even been moved to think about an issue because of chalking, the sooner.

You might point to the fact that since you began your actions, you've reached a larger audience. I believe that I have even begun to look at baskets. I think that is the ultimate goal. Let me tell you, from a non-member perspective, the real effect of chalking. As far as I can see, chalking only reinforces the stereotype that peace activists are self-righteous and blind to the realities of the world. You actually do a disservice to your cause by chalking.

I will admit, there is plenty of obnoxiousness on the other side of the spectrum. War hawks, from all that I have seen, are more than willing to attack people and shrug aside arguments. Let me tell you, from a non-member perspective, the real effect of chalking. As far as I can see, chalking only reinforces the stereotype that peace activists are self-righteous and blind to the realities of the world. You actually do a disservice to your cause by chalking.

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Mike Roman
junior
Dillon Hall
Nov 25

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QT OF THE DAY

"A diplomat is a man who always remembers a woman's birthday but never remembers her age." — Robert Frost

poet
Saddam, not sanctions, don't make war

Pushes Saddam to play by the rules

This letter is in response to Peter Quaranto's Nov. 14 letter concerning the UN sanctions against Iraq. In his letter, he cites the many problems that the Iraqi people have had to suffer through after the sanctions were introduced to Iraq over 10 years ago. Quaranto wants us to believe that the United States is currently participating in some sort of "genocidal attempt upon the Iraqi people." Notwithstanding the hardships described in the letter are true and it is true that the hardships are due to the lack of resources available to the Iraqi people after the sanctions. But it is not the fault of the UN or the United States. The Iraqi people of Iraq are not getting the resources they need to survive.

It is the fault of Saddam Hussein that his people are dying in record numbers. The sanctions levied against Iraq were meant to restrict Saddam's ability to rebuild his army and restrict his ability to develop and produce weapons of mass destruction by restricting the amount of resources available to Iraq.

The sanctions also specify what Saddam is allowed to do with the resources allowed to reach Iraq. The problem is that when faced with restricted resources, Saddam chose to use his limited resources to rebuild his army instead of feed his own people and no one in the Iraqi government seems to care to hold him to his side of the bargain.

Standing armies require, if nothing else, a lot of money. Instead of using state funds to buy food to feed starving children, or buy medical supple-
cies to help the dying or to spend money upgrading sewage systems to help decrease the water supply, Saddam has chosen to spend that money protecting himself from the United States or the UN. In fact, the UN and the U.S. are the only things that protect the Iraqi people. If Hussein is not removed, the sanctions will continue to cause the Iraqi people to suffer and will only serve to strengthen the population's resolve to make Saddam play according to the rules that Hussein and Saddam have set for the world. No one is really interested in what the UN or the U.S. really think about the sanctions. The sanctions have been in place for 10 years and we are again forced to bring up the subject to change the course of the situation. The sanctions will continue to hurt the Iraqi people and will only serve to strengthen their resolve to make Saddam play according to the rules.

Matthew Osborn
O'Neil Hall
Nov. 14

Monday, November 18, 2002

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Treatment of same-sex unions shows legal flaws

This letter is in response to James Mangrum's Nov. 15 letter about same-sex marriage. I believe he is right in his conclusion that the government does not recognize a particular type of relationship, but the example of homosexual marriage is only one symptom of how marriage law is flawed. The essential problem is not that the government does not recognize a particular type of relationship, but that the government ascribes any legal status at all on the personally chosen relationship of any two persons whatsoever.

This letter contains a number of errors.

For example, a married couple with two incomes pays a higher percentage of their combined income on income taxes if they file together, because their marital status provides an excellent example of the legal rights and responsibilities that you mentioned come along with marriage.

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Righteous records

♦ With 19 albums to her name, DiFranco's corporate-free discography is nothing short of impressive

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

Despite having to sit on a chair for the entire show due to a broken foot, indie rocker Ani DiFranco brought the audience to their feet multiple times during her concert at the Chicago Theatre Saturday evening.

Hamell on Trial opened the show with his brand of feisty political punk acoustic rock. Ed Hamell's subtly unnerving, Lex Luthor-esque appearance, overtly irritating personality and unapologetic high-powered rock guitar made his show a conflicting experience to watch.

On one hand, Hamell is a phenomenal guitarist who really engages the audience with his hard-hitting punk sound. On the other hand, he's a preachy, pompous and whiny prick. Hamell stopped between every song and attempted to tell jokes to the audience which were neither original nor funny and slightly offensive.

Hamell's lyrics mostly kvetched about conservative national politics. While he's playing, he's talented and witty, but Carrot Top would be more entertaining talking in between songs. Luckily, Hamell stuck to the 30-minute rule and rolled his cue ball-like head off stage before he embarrassed himself too much.

The audience greeted DiFranco with a huge roar and she greeted the audience with a sheepish smile and an apology for the broken foot. DiFranco pushed right into her usual high-energy performance despite being chair-bound. She had a stagehand bring her a different guitar between each song for the solo set. The audience sat mesmerized for the entire hour and a half show.

DiFranco, a native of Buffalo, N.Y., emerged on the American music scene in 1989 when she self-produced her first album on her own label, Righteous Babe Records, when she was 19.

Though DiFranco was solicited by a number of record companies, both major studios and independent labels alike, she turned them down and started Righteous Babe in an effort to keep artistic control over her work. She emptied her bank account and borrowed money from friends to produce her self-titled acoustic album. The record gained an instant grassroots following, especially on college campuses, and DiFranco moved from playing bars and coffeehouses to larger theaters and folk festivals.

Since her second album, DiFranco has released at least one album each year totaling 19 in all. But the foundations of DiFranco's unique style can be heard on her initial release.

DiFranco began performing covers of Beatles tunes in local bars when she was nine and began writing and performing her own music when she was 15. Following her parents' divorce, DiFranco moved out of her mother's apartment and started performing regularly at bars and coffeehouses. By the time she moved to New York City at age 18, she had already written over 100 pieces of original material.

DiFranco's opening act, Hamell on Trial, was a wonderful musician, but atrocious comedian.
So Much Shouting, So Much Laughter  
2002

Revelling/Reckoning  
2001

Swing Set EP  
2000

Up Up Up  
1999

To the Teeth  
1999

Little Plastic Castle  
1998

for a photo op / with the Oval Office clan / and Uncle Sam is rigging cockfights / in the promised land."

But while DiFranco certainly has a political message, it's not the most important part of her performance. Looking around the Chicago Theatre, DiFranco attracts an incredibly diverse audience, from experimenting high school lesbians wearing fishnet stockings and multi-colored dreadlocks down their backs to stuffy 60-year-old Chicago politicos in fur coats and Armani jackets.

For every political message DiFranco pushes on her audience, she reveals something equally intimate about herself. In her song "Educated Guess" she talked about her struggles with depression and anxiety, a theme that has been present in her music from the start. "Looks like my crazy family / is down one crazy daughter 'cause / I'm shipwrecked in a desert that / once was underwater / just looking for a swift turn of phrase / some colors to fly / as I float by / in the parade."

After she finished her set, DiFranco returned to the stage for an encore. Instead of singing, DiFranco performed her poem she wrote about Sept. 11, "Self Evident." Amid scattered and hisses, boos and irksome shouts of "Socialist," DiFranco stood up trepidly and put on a breathtaking performance. When she finished, the crowd exploded with cheers. Whether audience members liked what DiFranco had to say or not, there's no doubt that everyone has respect for the singer's style is hard to define; it resides somewhere in that zone between punk rock and folk rock — that very nebulous zone between punk rock and folk rock. Of course, that's sort of the point. DiFranco's music is about defying stereotypes and pigeonholing definitions. Whatever label is put on her music, DiFranco's playing itself is almost indescribable. In her hands a guitar becomes a complete orchestra, she plays it more like a percussive ensemble than a solo six-string. And in between rapid-fire guitar riffs and pounding baselines, DiFranco belows out her hypnotic lyrics that fall somewhere between poems and prayers.

DiFranco has never been shy about her political messages: pacifism, defense of women's rights, protecting the environment and preserving artistic integrity from corporate control, among others. In Saturday's concert she performed one of her newer pieces, "Serpentine," that exemplifies much of her philosophy: "Yes, the goons have gone global / and the CEOs are shredding files / and the Republicans / are flashing their toothy smiles / and Uncle Tom is posing throughout the performance, indie star Ani DiFranco at the Chicago Theatre.

While DiFranco's songs have political messages, the singer advocates honesty in living above all else.
Mcnabb breaks ankles in Eagles' win over Cards

Steelers' QB McNabb rushed to hospital with unknown injury

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA—Playing with a broken right ankle that could sideline him this season, Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb had the best passing game of his career.

McNabb was brilliant in the third play of the game, tied a career high with four touchdown passes for Arizona (4-6), which montage by Indianapolis 35-13 at Veterans Stadium last week. They got him on all of them, second-quarter possessions, scored the last four times and pummeled up 463 yards.

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But his status for the final six games is in doubt. Eagles coach Andy Reid said this type of injury typically keeps players out six-to-eight weeks.

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Thank you for not spilling your lunch on today’s Observer.

**Know your CATHOLIC FAITH**

**Relationships & Sexuality**

Tho. 340A01. 1 credit. SU
Instructor: Mark Poorman, C.S.C.
Weekend Retreat
January 17, 3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
January 18, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Location: Cedar House

**Prayer**

Tho. 340A01. 1 credit. SU
Instructor: Rev. Brian Daley, S.J.
February 2, 5, 16, 23 & March 2
Time: 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Location: Coleman-Morse Rm. 330

**Creation**

Tho. 340C01. 1 credit. SU
Instructor: John Cavallini
March 17, 24, 31
April 7, 14, 21
Time: 6:00-8:05 p.m.
Location: Keough lounge (to be confirmed)

**Mary**

Tho. 340N01. 1 credit. SU
Instructor: Lawrence Cunningham
February 25, 27, April 1, 3, 8, 10
Time: 6:00-8:05 p.m.
Location: Dome Lounge (TBD)

For further information, contact Dorothy Anderen in the Theology Department, 631-7811.

**SPORTS**

**FENCING**

Two fencers claim individual titles

Special to The Observer

University Park, Pa.
The Notre Dame men and women's fencing teams finished the Max Garrett Penn State Open (following Sunday's women's competition) with two individual champions in the two-day event. Champions included senior All-America man's epee captain Jan Viviani (Haworth, N.J.), and sophomore woman's foilist NCAA champion Alcija Kryczalo (Gnosz, Poland).

Viviani repeated his 2001 performance, at the event by finishing atop a strong epee field. Other competitors included Penn State All-Americans Adam Wiercich and Daniel Landgren and 2002 NCAA runner-up Soren Thompson of Princeton.

Viviani defeated Thompson 15-9 to claim his championship. Teammate Michal Subleraj, a sophomore All-American from Krakow, Poland, finished ninth in the pool of 47 epeeists.

Kryczalo also repeated as the champion of the Penn State Open, finishing ahead of Wayne State All-American Inga Wallrabenstein in a pool of 44 Irish sophomore Andrea Ament (Gates Mill, Ohio) finished eighth, followed by senior Lisa Boušikaris (Sparta, N.J.) in ninth.

All-America senior captain Ozren Debic (Zagreb, Croatia) led the Irish in the men's foil pool of 55 with a third-place finish, after winning the championship at last year's Penn State Open. He lost to Penn State's Yafe Cohen in a 15-14 bout, before defeating Ian Schlaepfer of Penn State for the bronze medal. Close behind Debic was sophomore All-American Derek Snyder (Chatsworth, Calif.), who placed fifth. Senior foilist and 2001 All-American Forest Walton (Londonderry, N.H.) returned to action with a 10th-place finish.

Junior Kerry Walton (Londonderry, N.H.) - the 2002 NCAA epee champ - competed in her first Penn State Open, placing third in a 43-woman epee field. Penn State topped the field with All-American Jessica Burke placing first, followed by teammate Katarzyna Trepalek. Notre Dame All-America classmates, captain Anna Carnick (Mishawaka, Ind.) and Megan Call (Eugene, Ore.), finished eighth and 15th, respectively.

Junior women's sabre captain Destanie Milo (Knox, Ind.) topped her freshman year performance (fifth), with a fourth-place finish while her classmate Maggie Jordan (Maplewood, N.J.) placed 19th in the 38 fencer women's pool.

The Irish men's sabre squad was led by senior Matt Fabricant (Elizabeth, N.J.), who placed eighth in a 44-man pool that was dominated by Penn State (All-American Alex Weber repeated as champ, followed by Martin Zanugis in second, Wyatt Kassereman in fifth and Amir Rabihi in ninth). Freshman Nicolas Diaconu (New York, N.Y.) continued his Irish debut with an eventual 16th-place finish, after fencing extremely well against Weber, who defeated Diaconu 15-10.

The Irish have concluded the 2002 fall individual competitions, as they await the onset of team competitions beginning with the Ohio Dual meet, in Columbus, Ohio, on Jan. 25th.

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SuperSonics continue solid start with win over Clippers

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES -- Gary Payton is keeping Seattle's solid start in perspective.

Payton had 22 points and 10 assists and the Pacific Division-leading SuperSonics rallied in the fourth quarter to beat the Los Angeles Clippers 84-78 Sunday for their fourth consecutive victory.

The Sonics are off to their best start since 1999-00 when they opened 9-2. Three of their wins came against such struggling teams as Golden State, Utah and Miami.

"It's still early. We haven't played a lot of good teams, but we're starting off good," Payton said. "This is the most together team we've had here, where everybody isn't worried about who's getting the shot. We've got confidence that everybody's going to make the shot."

The Sonics certainly did in the fourth quarter, going 10-of-17 from the floor. The Clippers were a woeful 4-of-24.

"When the shots were supposed to count, we made them count. That's why we kept taking the shots, because we knew something was going to go down pretty soon," Payton said. "Nobody got down on each other. We just kept playing hard, picked up the defense, grabbed the rebounds, and then things started to fall our way."

Payton and Desmond Mason sparked the Sonics, combining to count 17 points in the final 12 minutes.

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The Sonics are off to their best start in 11 years. They are 11-3 for the first time since the 1990-91 season, and finished 22-6 last year.

"We don't have a shot blocker, but we're getting our share of steals and creating turnovers," Coach Larry Brown said. "Our strength is our quickness on the perimeter."

Jordan closed the third quarter with a 3-pointer from 28 feet and scoring the team's first basket of the fourth quarter, completing a 10-0 run as the 76ers turned a 58-52 lead into a 68-62 lead with 5:41 left.

A jumper by Jordan cut Philadelphia's lead to 73-77, but Greg Buckner scored on a put-first place in the Atlantic Division.

LA Clippers center Michael Olowokandi had 13 points in the final 12 minutes. Eric Piatkowski added 17 points, and Stackhouse each committed five of the Wizards' 23 turnovers.

Another result of the trade has been that it would work out as well as it has," said Van Horn, who was 5-for-5 in the first quarter and finished 9-of-13 from the field with seven rebounds.

Payton and Todd MacCulloch were acquired over the summer in the trade that sent Dikembe Mutombo to the Nets, and the 76ers have become a better offensive team because of it.

Philadelphia is seventh in the league in scoring and reached 100 points Sunday night for the fifth time this season.

No team has lost an entire season because of an injury, but the Wizards are 0-8 without Malone and Stockton combined for 18 in the fourth.

"When it came down to the fourth quarter we went to John and Karl because they've been there so long, and they came through for us," Harpring said.

The Jazz finished their trip 2-3.

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Jackson's game-winner ended a 10-0 run as the 76ers clinched a NBA
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In Brief

U.S. soccer ends year on winning note

While congratulations are in order at the end of a very good 2002, coach Bruce Arena’s mind is already set on 2006.

The U.S. national team wrapped up its most successful year Sunday with a 2-0 exhibition victory over El Salvador, a game featuring a young roster that offered an early gauge for prospects for the next World Cup.

The United States finished 13-6-1 this year, setting a national record for victories and advancing to the quarterfinals of the World Cup for the first time in 72 years.

"The last couple of months, we’ve received a lot of praise and all, and I’m grateful for all that," Arena said. "But enough already. We’ve had our congratulatory tour, and now we just want to get on with the business of starting all over again.”

Bol hangs up skates

Manute Bol’s efforts to raise money for the people of his war-torn homeland got more ice time than the former NBA player.

The 7-foot-7 basketball shot-blocker from Sudan sat on the bench Saturday night as the puck dropped in his hockey debut. He didn't stay long, leaving the rink while the Central Hockey League game was still going on.

Bol made his first appearance with the Indianapolis Ice at Conseco Fieldhouse when the team faced the Amarillo Gorillas. Bol signed a contract with the Ice earlier this week.

But ice officials said Saturday’s appearance is likely to be Bol’s last with the team. Bol’s arthritic feet began to swell inside his custom-made ice skates, and after the first period he was out of uniform and signing autographs for fans.

Arkansas in trouble with NCAA

The NCAA has made an official inquiry of the University of Arkansas over payments to football and basketball players and asked the school to show why it shouldn’t be subjected to punishment as a repeat violator.

A university lawyer Friday called the inquiry “a form letter” and said the school believes it had previously reached an agreement with NCAA investigators that payments to athletes between 1997 and 1999 did not justify charges of major violations in the backboard athletic program.

The basketball team faced sanctions in 1997 but university attorney Scott Varady said the new violations were not serious enough to warrant severe penalties as a repeat offender.

The university previously tried to negotiate its own penalties based on its own inquiry, but the NCAA ordered a more complete investigation.

Around the Dial

NFL

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Major League Baseball

Baker whirled from Bay to Windy City

Former San Francisco manager Dusty Baker watches from the dugout during the 2002 World Series. Baker signed a four-year deal to manage the Chicago Cubs Friday.

Baker said Friday night as he accepted the formidable assignment of managing the Chicago Cubs.

I’M not a miracle man. I don’t know if it takes two or three years or what, but we’re dedicated to winning. A number of players have indicated that they would like to come to Chicago and possibly play for me. They are dedicated to bringing in the best players.”

Baker, a three-time National League Manager of the Year, agreed to a four-year contract, a deal thought to be worth between $14 million and $16 million.

Cubs president Andy MacPhail said Baker was general manager Jim Hendry’s first choice, his second choice and his third choice, even though he interviewed several other candidates.

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Five players earn all-Big East honors

Mens Soccer

Senior forward Erich Braun became the first Notre Dame player to twice earn first-team all-Big East honors as he was named to the all-conference first team for the second straight year. For the second consecutive year, five Irish players garnered all-conference honors.

Joining Braun as all-conference selections were junior midfielder Justin Detter and sophomore back Jake Stewart, who both earned second-team honors, while junior midfielder Chad Riley and sophomore goalkeeper Chris Sawyer capped third-team accolades.

Braun is one of three Notre Dame players to earn first-team all-conference honors since the Irish became a member of the Big East in 1995. A 19-game starter, he leads the team in scoring for the third time in four seasons with 10 goals and one assist (21 points). Braun’s 35 career goals ties him for seventh on the career goal-scoring list and has dished off a team-high eight assists (19 points) as well. Not only did Tancredi score the game's only goal this season.

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lead.

"As long as people can keep playing defensive rebounds, we can get guys out in transition," Miller said. "We really have some athletes on this team that can get up and dump the floor."

Brey found such an athlete in the second half. At one point, he looked at coach Ryan Suehlmeyer with a smile. Suehlmeyer was the 6-foot-4 junior forward who had been out for the first part of the season with a sprain. "It's a lineup that we haven't played so much in the exhibition with [Thomas] and [Quinn] together. But the Bruins were smaller, and they had us spread out. I think it's a good lineup for us."

Mike Brey
head coach

7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

Notes:

• Irish center Tom Timmermans did not play Sunday because of a back sprain. The junior's injury required the Irish forwards to step up defensively in the middle against the Bruins.

• They were probably licking their chops with a big guy like Timmermans available, Cortnett said. "We knew we had to give it our all and play strong down low, and to what the big guys did tonight."

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Revenge

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were higher. This time both teams put their seasons on the line for the second round of the Guardian Classic against Indiana University and Purdue University Indianapolis, who defeated Brown 66-65 in the first match of the Tournament.

"They want us bad," Brey said of his next opponents. "All I know is that last year was [UPUI 98, Georgia Tech 92]. ... They go down to Atlanta and beat them. It's the same team, and they're men. They're older than us, and Coach Hunter has talked about them wanting to play us for a long time. We have to be ready to play."

Tipoff against IUPUI is set for 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

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Irish men, women achieve different results at regionals

♦ Women take 1st, earn automatic NCAA Championship berth
By JOE LINDSEY

It has been a month of firsts for the Notre Dame women's cross country team. Not only did the Irish win their first ever Big East Championship two weeks ago in Boston, but now they have also won their first ever Great Lakes Regional — the most competitive district qualifier for nationals in the country.

The fifth ranked Irish took first place on Saturday in West Lafayette with their score of 63. The Wolverines of Michigan were their closest competitor, finishing with 107.

Another first for the Irish — freshman Molly Huddle beat All American sophomore Lauren King. King and Huddle have run right with a little more.

"It was such a rush, this year," junior Todd Mobley said. "It's a lot. We needed our four and five runners to be up there, [Irish coach Tim Connelly] told us the night before that if we did that, we'd have a chance at winning.

Handley, who has helped give the young Irish team confidence with her experience, completed the course in 21:28.6 to finish in sixth overall, and in third for Notre Dame. King crossed the line next for the Irish with her 25th place.

Freshman Stephanie Madia rounded out the Irish scoring top-five as she finished in 27th place.

The Irish had been expecting a successful season, but were not confident they could make program history in the manner that they have.

"When we first got here we all said, 'We want to be this good' and, 'We think we can be this good,' but it was, 'We don't know if we can be,'" the younger King said. "As we got further into the season, we got more confidence in ourselves and we knew that we were capable of doing something good, and so far, we've been doing it."

The Irish, while serious about preparing for the national championships, which take place in Terre Haute, Ind. on Nov. 25, are not hiding their enthusiasm.

"It's been such a rush, this year," King said. "Knowing we've never done it before, it just makes it so much more exciting."

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♦ Injury-plagued mens squad runs to 8th place
By JOE LINDSEY

If the Notre Dame men's cross country team received an at-large bid to NCAA Championships, they will have qualified by a hair's breadth.

The Irish are hoping for that bid to materialize today, not only for obvious reasons, but also to give them just one more shot at proving their worth, something the team feels they have not done all season.

Heading into the Saturday's Great Lakes Regional — the qualifier for the national meet — the Irish knew they would have to finish in at least eighth place to make a case for an at-large berth in the national championships.

Notre Dame finished in eighth place, after losing a tiebreaker to Michigan State.

The Irish will not know if they have qualified until this afternoon, but the team is fairly confident they will go to nationals in Terre Haute, Ind. next Monday.

"We're probably going to be the last team in," junior Todd Mobley said. "It's a little close for comfort.

Mobley, the team's top overall performer, ran his first race Saturday since an injury several weeks ago that kept him out of the Big East Championships. The 2001 All American, not yet in top form, finished in 26th place with a 10K time of 31 minutes, 22 seconds.

Freshman Tim Moore, running his first competitive 10K in 30:57.1, led the team with his 14th place finish.

"I'm happy with how I ran," Moore said. "It wasn't what I would call just a completely awesome race, but I felt really comfortable and confident for the first 9K. The last [kilometer] I kind of broke down, but it's just a matter of working with experience and changing my mentality over that last kilometer."

Mobley took care not to re-injure himself in his return.

"I played it a little cautious," Mobley said. "I went out a little slow and moved up the entire race. The next time I run, I'll probably run with a little more abandon. It's just a matter of getting my legs back under me and getting used to running. My mileage has been pretty low."

According to Moore, the Irish squad was not as fast or as fast as Mobley was in normal form.

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Still, the Irish are per­

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Swimming

Irish stunned in two weekend losses

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

The apocalypse is upon us.

The Irish were unable to complete their hopes of an undefeated conference season with a 30-27, 37-35, 30-27 victory over Virginia Tech as they lost to the Hurricanes, the Irish with 17 digs.

In game three, Virginia Tech (20-10, 10-6) needed a win to qualify for the Big East post season tournament and came out determined to hand the Irish their second straight loss.

No team took more than a four-point lead in game one and the Irish were within one at 27-26. The Hokies called a timeout and won three of the next four points to win game one.

The Irish battled back from a 27-24 deficit to force game two into extra points. In a game featuring 13 ties and eight game points, the Hokies pulled out the game winning the last three points, and taking the game 24-18.

The Hokies led no doubt in game three, grabbing the early 11-4 lead. The Irish battled back and came with in one at 28-27, but the Hokies used a timeout to make their advantage and won game three and the match.

Klobey led the Irish with a 14-kill percentage in game four. The Irish fell behind 8-2 early in the game, but then went on an eight-point run and took command of the game, winning by eight.

Deciding game five was never close, as Miami scored the first eight points, using three kills from Hispanic outside hitter Valeria Tippiana, who recorded a match-high 28 kills. The Irish hit .000 for the game and lost their first Big East match since the 1999 Big East Tournament championship, a stretch of 32 consecutive games.

Loomis led the Irish with 18 kills. Freshman middle blocker Lauren Kebel continued her accurate hitting with a .411 hitting percentage. For the match, Notre Dame hit better than Miami 243 to 188.

Middle blocker Lauren Brewster had 11 blocks. Lobero Kearsa Coughlin led the Irish with 17 digs.

By LISA REIJULA
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Eighteen hours after a close loss to Texas Christian Friday, the Notre Dame men’s swimming and diving team rebounded for a convincing victory over TCU and Centenary.

The Irish improved their record to 4-2 with the 121.5-112.2 win over TCU and a 100-84 win over Centenary in Fort Worth, Texas Saturday.

On Friday evening, the outcome of meet came down to the final relay. The Irish had a strong performance and led for most of the contest.

Notre Dame won five events convincingly, but TCU came back to take a one-point lead. After TCU’s rally, Notre Dame answered with victories in the 500 freestyle, as Matt Bertke (4:41.70), J.R. Teddy, and Patrick Davis swept the top spots.

However, the Horned Frogs got on track, hitting .429 for a convincing victory over the Irish in game four. The Irish won by five.

By ALEX BIGGS
Sports Writer

A Notre Dame swimmer participates in the breast stroke in a recent meet. After losing Friday, the Irish won twice Saturday.

Davis won the 100 butterfly, with a time of 1:54.20. In the 100 freestyle, Frank Krakowski and Tim Randolph finished one-two for the Irish.

After the loss, the Irish came back strong on Saturday after noon.

“wanted to prove to ourselves and the other team that we were the better team, so we came out with a really positive attitude,” said junior Matt Obringer.

Obringer, and Patrick Davis swept the other semifinals. TCU came out with a really positive attitude, but Notre Dame was still the better team.

For the Irish, victories in the 400 freestyle and 400 medley races provided valuable double points.

Obringer was pleased with the Irish’s performance in the pool.

“It was a great team effort and we kept working hard,” he said. “Everyone from the freshman to the seniors showed team commitment and that was really good to see and motivating for us.”

The meet was the first contest in which the Irish swam two days back-to-back.

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After falling to Texas Christian Friday, the Irish rebound to beat the Horned Frogs and Centenary Saturday.

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Great Lakes Regional Championships

The men's squad finished eighth while the women won the regional title over the weekend.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

VOLLEYBALL

Miami 3, Notre Dame 2
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After having lost only two of its last 89 Big East matches, the Irish lost two more over the weekend.

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WOMENS SOCCER

Amanda Guertin's 4 goals, assist help Notre Dame beat Ohio State and Purdue and get Irish to Sweet 16 in NCAA Tournament

MENS BASKETBALL

Irish open season with 76-48 rout of Belmont

Bill Walton in 1973. "I think it's fitting that it was Walton's record, because it's about time that we got a UCLA guy's name off a Joyce Center record," Irish coach Mike Brey said. "I should be a Notre Dame guy's record." In addition to the block record, Cornette completed the defensive double-double, grabbing 13 rebounds, 12 of which came on the defensive side. "Jordan definitely did a great job," Irish forward Dan Miller said. "He had 11 blocks, and that's a great accomplishment for him.""Jordan definitely did a great job. He had 11 blocks, and that's a great accomplishment for him." — Dan Miller

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