Missing student's parents visit campus today

+ ND has no new leads on Sharon's disappearance

By TERESA FRALISH
Assistant News Editor

Despite several University initiatives during winter break, freshman Chad Sharon still remains missing.

On Jan. 3, University officials announced a $10,000 reward at a press conference for credible information leading to Sharon's safe return or verified contact with him, said Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for Student Affairs. Notre Dame Security/Police also established a tip line at 631-8000 where callers can leave anonymous information about the disappearance of Sharon.

NDSP, in conjunction with state and local authorities and the FBI, conducted an extensive investigation during the winter break involving neighborhood searches with tracking dogs, interviews, helicopter searches and searches of the St. Joseph River. "Over break we've just been exhausting all the resources we have," said Rex Rakow, director of NDSP. "We've gotten tremendous support from other agencies."

Sharon disappeared Dec. 12 and Fisher Hall staff reported him missing when he did not return to the hall. The Fisher Hall freshman was last seen at an off-campus party on Corby Boulevard around 2 a.m. when he declined a ride back to campus and told his friends he would walk back to Notre Dame. Sharon missed all of his final exams and did not return home for Christmas or make contact with his family or friends since his Dec. 12 disappearance.

Notre Dame police said a security officer at Madison Center Hospital on Niles Avenue who reported talking to a young man closely matching Sharon's description at about 4 a.m. on Dec. 12. Though Sharon told friends he would be heading back to campus, Madison Center is farther away from Notre Dame than the Corby Street party. The officer told police that Sharon asked for directions to the nearest convenience store and he directed Sharon to the 7-11 at the corner of Niles and LaSafe Avenues.

However, 7-11 employees do not recall seeing anyone matching Sharon's description and Sharon did not appear on the store's surveillance camera, said Rakow.

Sharon's parents, Steve and Jane Sharon, who until now have remained in Pelican Lake, Wis., Sharon's hometown, plan to come to Notre Dame tonight to meet with investigators and students. Since Sharon's disappearance, University officials have been in daily contact with his parents.

"We've been contacting them each day," said Kirk. "I talk to the Sh Arons every night."

On Thursday, Sharon's parents will meet with NDSP detectives and investigators during the day and attend a prayer service that evening at 7:30 p.m. They also have been in contact with the police in Jacksonville, Fla.

"That's our main reason for coming," said Steve Sharon, Chad Sharon's father. "We would definitely like to talk to the kids to see if we can make some sense out of this," he said.

In particular, Steve Sharon said he hopes that if students think their information is insignificant will come forward and it could possibly move the case forward.

"Someone out there knows something or has seen something that would be very important to this investigation," he said. "They can get a hold of me or my lawyer and I will talk to anyone and everyone."

Though the investigation has turned up few important leads since speaking with the hospital employee, officials are still hopeful that with students back on campus, information regarding Sharon's disappearance will surface. While investigators were able to talk with over 100 people during break through phone calls and e-mail, NDSP hopes to talk to students that were unreachable over the semester break.

"There are so many people that we haven't gotten a hold of," said Rakow. "We haven't found anyone who saw Chad leaving the party."

University officials are also trying to generate national attention about Sharon's case by contacting programs that report on missing persons, said University spokesman Matt Storin.

"We have had contact with 'America's Most Wanted,' which does some things on missing persons," said Storin. "Good Morning America' has shown an interest in interviewing Mr. and Mrs. Sharon [and] we are actively working on that now but we don't have confirmation."

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Irish fall on hard times at Gator Bowl

+ Irish encounter roadblocks before and during game in Jacksonville

By ANDREW SOUKUP
News Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - Tyrone Willingham and Ken Lord White first publicly stood side by side as Notre Dame employees on Jan. 1, 2002. As Notre Dame fans celebrated the end of a scandal-filled, month-long coaching search, both the beloved athletic director and the new coach expressed a common sense of optimism.

Exactly 365 days later, Willingham and White once again stood side by side. This time, they weren't in a crowded press conference room, they were at the sight of a train wreck. And as they stared out at a wild celebration, not stoically staring. The win brightly from the scoreboard.

The scene was vastly different from the one two weeks ago when the Irish wore white at the field of Doak Campbell Stadium in Tallahassee, Fla. after knocking off Florida State. Then, Willingham was the coach jubilantly celebrating, not stoically staring. The win helped the Irish improve to 8-4, vaulted them above a North Carolina State player tackles Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday knocking him out of the game.

At right, Notre Dame Athletic Director Kevin White and Coach Tyrone Willingham show expressions of disbelief following the game.

PHOTOS BY LISA VELTE

Investigation continues into Notre Dame football player injured in arrest

By ANDREW SOUKUP
News Writer

Though Chad DeBolt was arrested nearly three weeks ago, Jacksonville police are still investigating the football player's allegation that police attacked him after his arrest.

DeBolt, a senior in town for Notre Dame's 28-6 loss to North Carolina State in the Gator Bowl, was arrested Dec. 27 and charged with trespassing after police said he refused to leave a Jacksonville nightclub. But after DeBolt's booking photo showed the senior with swollen eyes and bruises on his face, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Department launched an internal investigation into DeBolt's arrest.

A police spokesman said DeBolt was not injured either during his arrest or when he was left at the county jail.

According to a police report obtained by the Florida Times-Union, officers used pepper spray and punched DeBolt in the back and the arms after he refused to leave the nightclub. He was uncooperative, intoxicated, yelling and cursing when arrested, the report said.

As DeBolt tried to pull on his jail uniform, the report claimed he told police, "Don't anyone laugh, I'm the Fighting Irish."
Return to glory part 2

After an incredible football season in which Notre Dame experienced a return to glory, the Notre Dame men’s basketball team is having their own return to glory this year.

We’ll OK, maybe they never had as much glory in the football team. But this year, the men’s hoops team is proving to be quite possibly the best men’s team Notre Dame has ever had.

After losing several key seniors from last year’s NCAA Tournament squad, there were doubts about whether or not the team would recover and repeat last year’s exciting season. However, it didn’t take long for the team to drown all those doubts. It was a December to remember for the men’s team with a record of 9-0, including three victories over top-10 teams in the course of a week. The great performance led Notre Dame to a ranking as high as 6th in the nation, the highest ranking the Irish have achieved in 20 years.

With the new and improved team, thanks in part to third-year coach Mike Brey, basketball games have become an even more wild and crazy experience. It’s no pushover. Notre Dame plays basketball team along with the Leprechaun Legion, and I’m sure the basketball team knows more than ever. At least they can provide the extra energy the team needs in order to spark the team.

Yet, after all this, the season is just beginning. This month, the Irish start conference play, and they will need our support more than ever. At least two more games are against top-10 opponents, and the rest of the conference is no pushover. Notre Dame plays 15 games before most likely heading into the NCAA Tournament in March. Hopping for a spot in the Sweet 16.

Editor emphasizes that Notre Dame’s basketball needs in order to spark the team.

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WHAT’S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today’s Lunch: Shrimp spaghetti, Southwesterns pasta sauce, apple turnover, pretzel sticks, walnut plum chicken breast, long grain and wild rice, brown sauce, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, cherry crisp, cheddar-baked pollock, vegetable rice casserole, Swiss oatmeal, scrambled eggs, sunshine French toast, hash browns

South Dining Hall

Today’s Lunch: Linguine with vegetables, Puerto Rican pasta sauce, honey-garlic pork chops, rotisserie chicken, winter-bled vegetables, boulanger potatoes, herb-baked pollock, wild rice with pine nuts, honey-orange glazed carrots, tangy grilled chicken, Szechuan vegetable noodles, Caribbean BBQ wings

Saint Mary’s Dining Hall

No menu was available.

WHAT’S GOING DOWN

Visitor taken to hospital

A visitor at Columbia Hall was taken to Memorial Hospital for treatment of a leg injury Monday.

Student injured at the Rock

A student sustained a sports injury while at the Rock on Monday and was taken to Memorial Hospital by NDSP for treatment.

Speeder caught on Edison

NDSP issued state citations for exceeding the posted speed limit and for operator never licensed on Edison Road Tuesday.

Chair flames at Alumni

NDFD extinguished the flames from a chair ablaze in Alumni Field on Monday.

Compiled from NDSP crime blotter.

CORRECTIONS

The Observer regrets itself in a professional publica- tion and erases for the higher standards of journal- ism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 or we can correct our error.
Notre Dame students can now enroll on the Web

By CHRISTINA CEPERO
News Writer

This semester was the first time Notre Dame students enrolled via the Internet and the last time they could enroll at the Joyce Center. Students must enroll at the beginning of each semester to inform the University that they intend to take the classes for which they registered.

According to Kimberly Hahn, assistant registrar, Web enrollment for this spring has been extremely successful. As of Tuesday morning, 9,391 out of 11,070 students had enrolled. Hahn says, "We were very pleased with this number."

Continuing students enroll by opening the enrollment e-mail link from the Office of the Registrar on any browser and then logging in and following the simple instructions. The new Irishlink service also allows students to change their addresses and privacy information without having to contact the registrar directly.

Sophomore Melody Gonzalez said, "It was cool. I was glad I didn't have to walk all the way to the JACC in the snow." Enrollment is activated on the following business day. Students receive e-mails from the registrar informing them that they have enrolled successfully, and they can also confirm it by checking the enrollment flag on their schedules in Irishlink.

Hahn said, "We want students to know that Irishlink is their way of doing business for themselves."

In addition to enrolling, students can access their identification information, address, schedules, grades, financial aid information and register for courses on Irishlink.

Students could enroll starting Jan. 6, a week before classes started. The extra week is particularly helpful for students with financial assistance, because loans, deferment, insurance, scholarship and financial aid award checks are released once students are enrolled.

Web enrollment also facilitates the process for study abroad students because they can now enroll themselves from home or another locale rather than having to wait for the University to enroll them.

Based on credit hours completed, the Web enrollment page asks students if they plan to graduate, eliminating the confusion paper enrollment forms caused about graduation. It also asks seniors whether they intend to attend Commencement and how they would like their names to appear on their diplomas, eliminating the paper graduation form.

The Office of Information Technology's Application Technology Department began testing and developing the service in July 2002, and last fall, the Office of the Registrar offered Web enrollment on a trial basis to 400 students from Kegough and Pangborn Halls and off campus. It was successful and students gave mostly positive feedback, namely that Web enrollment was more convenient and user-friendly than the old method in which students went to the Joyce Center to enroll.

"We were very pleased with this number."
DeBolt
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Attempts by The Observer to obtain a copy of the police report were unsuccessful. The Florida State Attorney's office decided Jan. 6 not to pursue DeBolt's claims and that process. In 1999, a 16-year-old officer was tipping off general grand investigation the truth. North Carolina State sold over 21,000 tickets through its athletic department, nearly double the 12,500 Notre Dame's ticket office sold. In a scene that brought back nightmares of Notre Dame's home loss to Nebraska two years ago, red-clad Wolfpack fans totally filled one half of 73,000-seat Alltel Stadium, and pockets of red could be seen scattered throughout the Notre Dame section. The bitter ending to a glorious start left outnumbered Irish fans shaking their heads on their way out of the stadium, their green shirts giving jarring North Carolina State fans an easy target. "Return to glory? Wait 'til next year!" some shouted. But even as the Wolfpack celebration raged throughout the bleachers, Notre Dame was playing to a 27-24 loss in another bowl game. The Irish had played in 11 games the Irish with the job done. The word we spread in our program that we spread was the job done. The word we spread in our program that we spread. The word we spread in our program that we spread. The word we spread in our program that we spread. The word we spread in our program that we spread. The word we spread in our program that we spread.

DeBolt was charged with simple assault and making a criminal threat. He had played in 11 games this season, knocking him out of the game. Notre Dame will not be able to score a touchdown on first-and-goal in the Gator Bowl, but if it can't take away what we did, People counted us out at the beginning. You can't take away the joy we have for this season. Indeed, the Irish walked out of Jacksonville with a sense of purpose and direction for the future. Although the Gator Bowl came close to resembling the Fiesta Bowl debacle two years ago, players refused to draw a comparison. In Arizona, they pointed fingers. In Florida, they pointed toward the future. The difference? Their forward-looking, progress-thinking head coach who, less than a year before, ended his first team meeting with a PowerPoint slide that had one word on it: win. "It was still a very good sea- son," Willingham said. "I don't believe there are very many 10-win teams in the country at this time."

"But at the same time," he continued, "for us to be the team that we'd like to be, then we've got to get accustomed to winning our last ball games, whether they be regular season games or bowl games. The word in our program that we spread is that championship teams win their last ball game. And that's the goal for our program."

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Bush says N. Korea may receive aid if it disarms

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Adopting a more conciliatory stance, President Bush said Tuesday he may revise a proposal for substantial economic benefits for North Korea if it agrees to dismantle its nuclear weapons facilities. The proposal, which had been prepared to make such an offer last year but with­drawn shortly before the Winter Olympics in South Korea, would have allowed North Koreans to have uranium-based nuclear weapons.

"We expect them not to develop nuclear weapons," Bush said. "And if they so choose to do so — their choice — then I will recom­mend whether or not we'll start the bold initiative" that he said he discussed with Secretary of State Colin Powell last year.

Bush said the initiative included food, leaving the impression that he was departing from long-standing policy of not linking assis­tance in that area to political developments.

Later, White House officials said Bush was referring to an agricultural reform program for North Korea, which faces yet another year of severe food shortages.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher reaffirmed that food deliver­ies will continue irrespective of political factors. Last year, the U.S. food contribution was 155,000 metric tons.

The Bush administration generally has been more accommodating toward North Korea lately. It remains committed to the dismantling of the North's nuclear programs but has shown greater leni­gence than before about talking to Pyongyang. Bush's comments on Tuesday sug­gested good­will may yield economic gain.

On Monday, Assistant Secretary of State James Kelly said in South Korea that North Korea could get energy aid if it dismantled its nuclear weapons programs.

The administration has con­sistently opposed opening negotiations with North Korea but Bush's remarks offered the clear possibility of a deal: U.S. assistance in exchange for denuclearization.

The more benign posture should be well received in South Korea, where both the outgoing president and the incoming president believe policy of belligerence toward the North did not work.

Speaking to reporters dur­ing a photo session with Polish President Aleksander Kwasniewski, Bush said he was con­vinced the conflict will be resolved peacefully.

The basis of his optimism

President George W. Bush shakes hands with Polish President Aleksander Kwasniewski during their meeting at the White House Tuesday. Both leaders discussed the situation in North Korea and expressed their hopes for a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

"I do not think we are there yet," he said. "So I really do not want to talk about war. Nor is the council talking about war."

"I am both optimistic and hopeful that if we handle the situation right, and the pressure on the Iraqi leadership is main­tained and the inspectors continue to work as aggressively as they are doing, we may be able to disarm Iraq peacefully, without need to resort to war," Annan said.

Annan says he sees no credible reason for attack on Iraq

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS

Secretary-General Kofi Annan said Tuesday he's received no reason for an attack on Iraq and is optimistic that war can be avoided if the international community maintains its pressure on Saddam Hussein and inspectors do their job aggressively.

Nonetheless, he said the United Nations is making plans to deal with an exodus of refugees and potential humanitarian crisis in the event of military action. U.N. experts are also doing some "preliminary thinking" about a possible post-conflict political organization and administration in Iraq, he said.

But Annan's message was upbeat. He said U.N. weapons inspectors were "just getting up to full speed" and there were no grounds yet for military action. He also implicitly opposed any unilateral attack by the United States and Britain without Security Council authorization.

The resolution adopted by the council on Nov. 8 which gave Iraq a last chance to get rid of all weapons of mass destruction will be on Thursday's council members to discuss any new Iraqi violations.

If inspectors report that Iraq is not cooperating or that they have found weapons, Annan said he expects the coun­cil "to face up to its responsibility" and adopt a second resolution spelling out the "serious consequences" it threatened on Nov. 8 in case of Bagdad's failure to comply.

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Arab leaders and some European lead­ers are delivering a message to Iraqi authorities that they must honor their obligations to the Security Council — and that means first and foremost filling in the "major gaps" in Iraq's 12,000-page decla­ration of its biological, chemical, nuclear and long-range missile programs, the sec­retary-general said.

Chief U.N. inspectors Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei will also be pressing for answers to the many outstanding questions about Iraq's weapons programs and for more "pro-active cooperation" when they visit Baghdad on Sunday and Monday, Annan said.

World News Briefs

Explosive found in Paris' Sacre Coeur

Police evacuated the Sacre Coeur basilica on Tuesday after an explosive device — but no deton­ator — was found inside, police said. The device, apparently homemade, consisted of bottles of cook­ing gas and gasoline taped together and concealed in a trash bag and a shopping bag, police said.

North Korea threatens new options:

China offered Tuesday to host talks between the United States and North Korea in a bid to end their standoff, and the North warned it was running out of patience with Washington, threatening to exer­cise undefined "options." A vaguely worded state­ment to the effect was described by the White House as a "response to the U.S. policy," but it was not clear what otherwise was being considered, but suggested the isolationist com­munist nation was prepared to escalate the crisis over its drive to develop nuclear weapons.

The White House welcomed diplomatic efforts but did not comment specifically on the China offer.

National News Briefs

Prosecutors link teen to sniper attacks:

Prosecutors looking to bring a death penalty case against 17-year-old sniper suspect John Lee Malvo said Tuesday that fingerprints on the mur­der weapon and other evidence link him to three slayings and a fourth attack that left a man criti­cally wounded. Prosecutor Robert Horan Jr. said Malvo contacted police four times — in two notes and two phone calls — trying to extort more than $10 million in exchange for stopping the attacks in the Washington area last fall.

Pills cited in mistaken Afghan bombing:

Two U.S. pilots who mistakenly dropped a bomb that killed four Canadians in Afghanistan had been issued amphetamines before the mis­sion to stay awake, a defense lawyer argued Tuesday at the opening of a military hearing to determine whether they should be court-mar­shaled.

Court hears debate on HMO limits:

The Supreme Court wrangled Tuesday over whether states can push HMOs to enroll more doc­tors, giving patients broader choices in their own health care. About half the states have laws requir­ing managed care or insurance companies to accept health care providers — physicians, phar­macists or specialists like nurse practitioners. The petitions agree to the insurer's reimbursement rates and contract terms.

Md. Gov. ends death penalty moratorium:

Maryland's death penalty moratorium will almost certainly be lifted after Republican Gov.-elect Robert Ehrlich takes office Wednesday, opening the way for the execution of as many as 12 inmates. All executions in Maryland were sus­pended last May by Democratic Gov. Parris Glendenning, who did not seek re-election this fall.
Microsoft shares code

Associated Press

SEATTLE

Microsoft Corp. said Tuesday it will make its prized source code for its Windows operating system available to several governments and governmental agencies, as it tries to stem defections to competitors' software.

The software company has already signed agreements with the Russian government and NATO to allow them to evaluate for themselves with the Russian government and governmental agencies, as it tries to stem defections to competitors' software.

Microsoft's "shared-source" program, under which open-source Linux-based systems. Unlike Microsoft's proprietary software, the underlying code for open-source code can be downloaded free, improved and redistributed.

"It's a brilliant maneuver," said Michael Gartenberg, research director for Jupiter Research's security group. "It gives them a huge public relations win, gives them a response back to the open-source folks and also gives them the impetus that many of the government organizations have been looking for to continue doing business with them.

The "Government Security Post" in the same year. A $75 million tax benefit generated by several Intel divestitures helped to fatten the 2002 profit.

"It was as though the attacker put a key on Darwin at the time of the Christmas break and the fact that OIT is in the middle of installing a new security client, TripWire, which will alert administrators to security breaches such as this one. Although the software was installed on Darwin at the time of the attack, it had not been fully implemented to alert administrators of the breach. However, the breach prompted OIT to speed the installation of the software.

"It was as though the attacker knew that this was the most vulnerable time for our servers," said Dobbins.

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Hacker breaches University computer systems

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER

A hacker penetrated a campus server during the Christmas break and could have obtained AFS IDs and passwords for hundreds of users.

According to Gary Dobbins, director of Information Security for the Office of Information Technologies, a hacker modified the Darwin server so that when a user entered his ID and password to authenticate to the server, that information was stored in a file accessible to the hacker instead of granting access to the server. Darwin is a general-purpose server that was designed to access or modify personal files, such as Web pages, and the breach was detected on Dec. 21. The breach harvested the passwords of users using the AFS protocol to access the server until Dec. 29, when the intrusion was detected.

Although all users whose AFS IDs and passwords were in the file were notified via e-mail, Dobbins said he strongly recommends anyone who used Darwin, which can be accessed through the addresses darwin.Indiana.edu or darwin.helios.nd.edu, in the past change their password at the Web site http://www.nd.edu/password.

The breach is still under investigation, but went undiscovered for so long because of the Christmas break and the fact that OIT is in the middle of the second half of 2003.

"That's about all we can hope for at this point," said industry analyst Eric Rondheuchst of Friedman, Billings, Ramsey.

With the business climate still shaky, Intel remained cautious about its prospects. The company said its first-quarter revenue will range between $5.6 billion and $5.7 billion. The consensus estimate of industry analysts had been $5.6 million.

In another possible red flag, Intel disclosed a dramatic reduction in its budget for capital expenditures. The company said its capital spending in 2003 will range between $3.5 billion and $3.9 billion, down from $4.7 billion in 2002.

With the personal computer industry in a slump, Intel has been trying to broaden the appeal of its chips for cell phones and other high-tech gadgets.

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Kmart closes stores, cuts jobs

- Bankruptcy problems force layoffs and store closings

Associated Press

DETROIT

Kmart Corp. announced Tuesday that it is closing 326 more stores and eliminating 37,000 more jobs as part of a plan to get out of bankruptcy by the end of April.

The discount chain that pioneered the blue-light special introduced Martha Stewart styles to the masses will still have some 1,500 stores and 168,000 employees if the cutbacks are approved by a federal bankruptcy judge. But it will emerge from bankruptcy one-third smaller than it was when it went in.

"We don't want to remain in bankruptcy a day longer than necessary," chief executive James Adamson said. Kmart filed for Chapter 11 protection from its creditors a year ago after failing to compete with Wal-Mart's low prices and Target's hipper merchandise.

The chain, which is to be closed, accounts for 44 states and Puerto Rico. Texas will lose 54 stores and a distribution center. Florida will lose 24 stores. California, 19. North Carolina 18 and Georgia 16.

Kmart said the closings will result in a charge of $1.7 billion, most of which will be recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2002.

"We're all upset. I've been here since 1998. I helped build this store up," employee Sharon Knight said after learning her Detroit Kmart was one of 13 in Michigan that will be closed. "It's kind of a tremendous loss to me."

Knight, who works behind the jewelry counter, said employees were told the store will close in 60 to 70 days. Experts said the latest cutbacks may not be enough.

"I think they've got to get beyond lean and mean. They've got to get small, real small," said Anthony Sabino, associate professor of business at St. John's University.

Arun Jain, a marketing professor at the University of Buffalo School of Management, suggested Kmart needs to find some way of distinguishing itself from the competition.

"Wal-Mart and Target are going to rip them up," Jain said.

Since filing for bankruptcy, Kmart has seen declines in sales at stores open at least a year. Sales in November were down 17.2 percent from a year earlier, and December sales were off 5.7 percent.

Kmart is closing underperforming stores and those facing tough competition, and is also looking to shed unprofitable leases, which is easier while operating under bankruptcy.

The plan announced Tuesday to emerge from bankruptcy by April 30 is months earlier than previously reported.

The company plans to file its reorganization plan with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Chicago next week. A Jan. 28 hearing is planned for the store closings.

Customer Ron Johnson, 51, said Kmart has no one but itself to blame.

"Kmart just got fat and lazy, that's all I can say," Johnson said as he shopped at a Detroit-area Kmart. "They had this town, they had this state and I think due to taking it for granted, they lost it."

Kmart has troubles beyond its bankruptcy plan. Just before its bankruptcy filing, Kmart began receiving letters, purporting to be from employees, that suggested wrongdoing at the company. The letters led to an investigation by the FBI and the Securities and Exchange Commission into the way Kmart was run under its former management.

Kmart stock lost 9 cents, closing at 17 cents a share Tuesday.

Car sales boost Dec. retail sales

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Brisk sales of automobiles offset lackluster holiday business for other merchants and gave a boost to retail sales in December, the Commerce Department reported Thursday.

Retail sales went up 1.2 percent from November, which had a 0.9 percent gain. But all of December's gain reflected a burst in automobile sales, which jumped 5 percent, the biggest increase in more than a year.

While free-financing deals and other generous incentives motivated car buyers who flocked to automobile showrooms in December, shoppers were more choosy when it came to making other purchases during the holiday season.

Excluding sales at automobile dealerships, sales at other retail outlets were flat in December, compared with a modest 0.3 percent gain in November.

"While consumers were haggling with auto dealers, they weren't shopping for other things," said economist Ken Mayland, president of ClearView Economics.

Consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of all economic activity in the United States. It has been the main force keeping the economy going.

For all of 2002, retail sales rose by 3.4 percent, down from a 3.7 percent gain in 2001.

In December, the economy lost a whopping 101,000 jobs, leaving the unemployment rate stuck at an eight-year-high of 6 percent. The stagnant job market and economic uncertainties could make consumers more cautious, which would place an even greater burden on the struggling economy, economists said.

"Spending is erratic," said Lynn Reaser, chief economist at Banc of America Capital Management.

"Consumers will need to see gains in employment and income to support sizable gains in spending."
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Bush: Time running out for Saddam Hussein

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Bush expressed impatience with Saddam Hussein on Tuesday and said "time is running out for him" to disarm. U.N. weapons inspectors planned for months more of searches for hidden chemical and biological arms in Iraq.

The extended hunt for evidence that the Iraqi president was disarming under more than a decade of U.N. Security Council resolutions. "He must disarm," Bush said. "I'm sick and tired of games and declarations. And that's my view of timetables."

But nearly four months after demanding the Security Council threaten Iraq with force — and threatening to act alone if need be — Bush was not ready to attack. He is continuing, however, to build up U.S. firepower in the Gulf region. The Navy's 3rd Fleet in California announced Tuesday that seven amphibious warships have received orders to depart their home port at San Diego on Friday. They will be carrying about 7,000 Marines from Camp Pendleton, Calif., and about 3,000 San Diego-based sailors. A similarly sized amphibious task force departed last weekend from ports in Virginia. Together they will give U.S. commanders in the Gulf region a variety of offensive options.

The chief U.N. weapons inspector, Hans Blix, meanwhile, is describing the Jan. 27 report as an interim update. It would mark "the beginning of the inspection and monitoring process and not the end of it," he said Monday.

On Tuesday, the Swedish diplomat told The Associated Press the inspectors needed months to finish their searches. So far, the inspectors have not produced substantial evidence to support U.S. allegations that Iraq was hiding caches of weapons of mass destruction and a missile program.

But Blix, who will go to Baghdad on Thursday with Mohamed ElBaradei, the direc-

Midwest, Northeast suburbs are graying

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The face of suburbia is changing, especially in the industrial Northeast and Midwest.

Younger families are moving out, leaving large populations of older residents and local officials who must try to meet the demand for services for the aging.

For example, providing transportation for the elderly to visit doctors or senior centers can be a major problem for a suburb, said Mary Ellen Walsh, director of the Ambetter Center for Senior Services in suburban Buffalo, N.Y., where 17 percent of all residents are senior citizens.

"In the city you have access to public transportation, but in suburbs and rural areas, you don't, and that's a big issue because people are so spread out," Walsh said Tuesday.

Alice Hilliard, director of the Pittsburgh suburb of Wexford, Pa., said reaching out to older people who live in isolated areas and finding money and volunteers to help care for them are daunting tasks, particularly in economically depressed areas.

"Sometimes we sit and hold our heads and think, 'How is this all going to come together?"' Hilliard said.

Many couples moved to the suburbs to raise families in the mid-20th century. When factories closed and the economies of industrial cities declined during the latter decades, younger people moved away.

Many headed South and West, where jobs were more plentiful, and since their parents reached retirement age, many of them sought warmer weather and a better quality of life. They also moved South and West, to places like Sarasota, Fla., Phoenix and Las Vegas.

About 35 million people 65 and older now live in America, roughly 12 percent of the population. But nearly 30 percent of the people in the suburbs of Sarasota are 65 or over, the highest among the 102 most populous metropolitan areas in the nation, according to a Brookings Institution study of Census Bureau figures being released Wednesday.

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MPAA spurns copyright plans

WASHINGTON

Hollywood spurned a high-stakes agreement disclosed Tuesday between leading music and technology companies aiming to protect copyrights on digital movies and music without new government involvement.

The unusual compromise, brokered among the music industry and some of the largest computer companies, lists seven "guiding principles" that the companies hope lawmakers will take into account as Congress develops future technology policies.

The agreement attempts to head off government intervention in the rising debate between Hollywood and Silicon Valley over what consumers can do with commercial music or movies they purchase.

Under the agreement, technology lobbyists will argue that record companies should be permitted to use hacker-style tactics to disrupt Internet downloads of pirated music and movies. They will caution that such tactics must not be destructive to networks or to a user's computer data, and must not violate a person's privacy.

They also will argue against efforts in Congress to amend U.S. laws to broaden the rights of consumers, such as explicitly permitting viewers to make backup copies of DVDs for personal use or copy downloaded songs onto handheld listening devices.

In exchange, the Recording Industry Association of America agreed to argue against government requirements to build locking controls into future generations of entertainment devices to make it more difficult for consumers to share music and movies.

Technology companies have complained that such controls are too expensive and complex.

"What we're saying is, we don't need our heads banged together," said Hilary Rosen, chief executive for the music group. She said the agreement will help stem "needless legislative battles, silly rhetoric about what divides us and continuing disharmony in the public policy arena."

The powerful movie, television and home video industry, represented by the Motion Picture Association of America, spurned the agreement. The MPAA has aggressively supported new government requirements for built-in locking controls on new devices, such as DVD recorders.

It is the primary supporter of a bill by Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., that would prohibit the manufacture or distribution of "digital media devices" — such as handheld music players — unless they include government-approved copy restriction technology. The passage of Hollings' bill has been in doubt since the 2002 election, because Republican John McCain of Arizona replaced him as chair of the Senate Commerce Committee when the GOP won the majority in the Senate.

The MPAA said that despite Tuesday's agreement, it was "not prepared to abandon the option of seeking technical protection measures via the Congress or appropriate regulatory agency, when necessary." It criticized the music industry for opposing such controls, saying that "no reasonable alternative course of action should be eliminated from consideration."

The MPAA also complained Tuesday about promises by the music and technology companies to participate in "constructive dialogue." It cited plans by the technology industry to spend $1 million over the next six months on a new organization, the Alliance for Digital Progress.

A bid proposal for public-relations companies said the group's ambition was to "counter Hollywood" on the debate over copyrights.

Technology executives responded that they had sought a six-month "cease-fire" on any lobbying activity during a meeting with Hollywood executives in Chicago in September.

"We thought it would be more productive without the motion-picture industry holding a legislative gun to our head," said Ken Kay of the Computer Systems Policy Project, which represents chief executives at IBM, Dell Computer Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co., among others.

The two sides agreed to argue against government involvement in the rising debate over copyrights.

Associated Press

Palm develops new handwriting software

SAN FRANCISCO

Palm Inc. will dump its homegrown handwriting software for a system similar to one used on Microsoft handhelds, potentially eating a long-simmering legal dispute and making the machines easier for beginners.

Palm announced Monday that devices shipped later this year will come with a new handwriting recognition system, called "Graffiti 2 powered by Jot."

The Sunnyvale, Calif.-based company developed the new system with programmers at Redwood Shores-based Communication Intelligence Corp. for its PocketPC handhelds.

Graffiti 2 may get Palm out of a six-year legal battle. Xerox sued Palm in 1997, claiming Palm derived Graffiti from a Xerox patent for computerized handwriting.

A federal judge dismissed the case, but Xerox won a reversal. A federal appeals court heard the case Jan. 6 but has not yet issued a ruling.

The lawsuit prompted Palm to seek alternative handwriting systems, but the company picked Graffiti 2 because people in focus groups liked it more than Palm's original. Palm spokeswoman Marlene Somsak said.

Associated Press

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Yankees Manager Joe Torre welcomes Japanese baseball star Hideki Matsui to New York at a press conference Tuesday. Under his three year contract, Matsui will receive $7 million.

**Yankees celebrate Matsui's arrival**

Associated Press

NEW YORK—Even the mayor showed up to greet Godzillia. For Hideki Matsui's formal introduction to New York, he was given a new conference featuring a head of state: Hundreds of reporters and dozens of camera crews filled a hotel meeting room, Yankees manager Joe Torre interrupted his Hawaiian vacation and Roger Clemens came up from Texas.

As he put on the famous pinstripes for the first time, he turned around to proudly display his usual No. 55. Flashes popped and shutters clicked, and Matsui grinned widely, giving thumb-ups.

With a uniform number like that, some Yankees' fans might be expecting a double Joe DiMaggio. But the three-time MVP of Japan's Central League only has to hit enough to help the Yankees win the World Series championship.

The 28-year-old Matsui probably will be a left fielder for the Yankees, adding a bat that has produced 304 career average with 332 homers and 889 RBIs in 1,265 games. He has hit .300 or more in four straight seasons with at least 36 homers and 95 RBIs, and he's walked 100 or more times in four of the last five years, and his addition makes it likely New York will lead the league in runs once again.

But Matsui wants to be more than a ballplayer. "If I could somehow act as an ambassador between the two countries in terms of baseball," he said, "I would really be honored." Torre looks at Matsui and Seollie's Shimizu — the 2001 AL MVP — and says the influx of talent from Japan is improving the level of play.

"The game got better in 1947, too, when a guy named Jackie Robinson started changing things," he said.

In Brief

Eli Manning to return to Ole Miss for senior season

Just like his big brother, Eli Manning is going to complete his college career before heading to the NFL.

Manning announced Tuesday he will return for his senior season at Mississippi, instead of entering the NFL draft.

The 6-foot-4, 215-pound quarterback, who is expected to be the first pick in the draft the next year, started changing things," he said. "I didn't make a lot of mistakes. But it was hard to stay focused because there were not a lot of rules.

"It was a very slow serve, and a lot of double faults. Sometimes it was amazing. I just tried to stay focused on myself."
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**Hit on Holiday lands knockout punch**

By ANDREW SOUKUP

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Irish receiver Rhema McKnight has a pass knocked away by Wolfpack cornerback Lamont Reid. The freshman finished with one catch for minus-2 yards.

Irish safety Glenn Earl, right, and linebacker Mike Goolsby tackle a North Carolina State ball carrier.

A tumultuous post season combined with injuries to several key Irish players including starting quarterback Carlyle Holiday proved too much for Notre Dame to overcome in a 28-6 Gator Bowl loss to North Carolina State. Wolfpack quarterback Phillip Rivers earned MVP honors with his 228 yards passing and two touchdowns.

Running back T. A. McLendon had two rushing touchdowns for the Wolfpack.

Notre Dame tailback Ryan Grant is upended on a carry as wide receiver Omar Jenkins looks to make a block.

Irish receiver Arnaz Battle goes up to make a catch with three Wolfpack defenders nearby. The fifth year senior finished the day with 10 receptions for 84 yards.

Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday stands on the sidelines with his injured left arm in a sling during second half action at the Gator Bowl.
Reality television rises high with strong ratings

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Who needs highly paid actors? A hunky construction worker, a love-starved former cheerleader and a hulking singing teen-ager became stars in a landmark week for reality television.

Fox's "Joe Millionaire," ABC's "The Bachelorette" and CBS' "Star Search" all impressed television executives with their ratings performances last week.

And the mood at the WB "approached a level of giddiness" over the ratings for new shows "High School Reunion" and "Surreal Life," said the network's entertainment president, Jordan Levin.

After years of searching for an alternative to sitcoms and dramas, last week's results proved that reality shows have become a powerful new genre.

"It was time for a new idea and this is it," said Robert Thompson, professor of media and popular culture at Syracuse University.

Meanwhile, interest in scripted fare is fading. Of the 20 most popular comedies or dramas last season, only three - "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," "Will & Grace" and "The Simpsons" - have a larger audience this season than last.

"NYPD Blue" is about even.

"Joe Millionaire" was most impressive in reality-show ratings. The cruel parody - in which eligible women woo a construction worker who they mistakenly believe is a millionaire - drew 18.6 million viewers to its premiere.

Many wanted a second date: Monday night's second episode was seen by 17.5 million.

Nelson Media Research said Tuesday - the sponsored ABC struck gold with "The Bachelorette," which offered former cheerleader Tetia Rahn her choice of eligible men. Its audience of 17.4 million beat NBC's competing drama, "The West Wing," by nearly four million viewers.

In a nod to Fox's soon-to-return "American Idol," CBS resurrected "Star Search" for two episodes last week. Both landed among Nelson's top 30 prime-time shows. Big-voiced 13-year-old Meghan Markert impressed the judges with her rendition of "Ave Maria."

The WB's "High School Reunion" follows a real-life high school class playing out personal dramas 10 years after graduation, while "Surreal Life" takes fading stars like rapper Hammer and puts them in the same house.

"The ratings are high because it's stupid andморonic," Thompson said. "That's part of the fun of the whole thing. After 20 years of the age of irony, why would it be surprising that a whole genre would arrive that we can both disdain and enjoy at the same time?"

The shows also succeed because they play off situations - looking for love or wondering what happened to a high school friend - that everyone can relate to, he said.

As such shows proliferate, their grip on "reality" becomes more tenuous.

It was a big story three years ago when Fox's "Who Wants to Marry a Millionaire?" turned into a farce. But when unscripted stories came out about "Joe Millionaire" - Evan Marriott - his past work modeling skimpy underwear, for instance - the public seemed to shrug.

"Not only do they not care, they expect that," Thompson said.

CBS President Leslie Moonves said he's trying to figure out the limits to the public's taste for these shows.

His network's plans to revive "The Beverly Hillbillies" with a real-life family have run into protests from a group representing rural Americans, and Moonves said he's not sure the network will go through with it.

"Everybody's looking for that quick fix," be said. CBS is even looking for its own version of a dating show.

Reality shows aren't appealing to networks in the long term because they don't form lasting relationships with viewers the way a scripted show can, Levin said.

"I think you have to be very careful with reality programming. You can't be seductive, but it can start to force you into a place where you're juggling your schedule to satisfy a very short-term fix," he said.

CBS won Nielsen's ratings race last week, averaging 15.3 million viewers in prime-time (9.9 rating, 16 share). NBC averaged 12.8 million (8.4, 10). Fox had 11.5 million (7.0, 11). ABC had 8.6 million (5.5, 9), the WB 4.2 million (2.6, 4) and Fox TV 1.2 million (0.9, 1).

NBC's "Nightly News" won the evening news ratings race, averaging 11.5 million viewers (8.0 rating, 15 share). ABC's "World News Tonight" was second, averaging 10.7 million viewers (7.5, 14) and the "CBS Evening News" had 9.1 million (6.4, 12).

A ratings point represents nearly 250,000 households or 1.06 percent of the nation's estimated 106.7 million TV homes. The share is the percentage of in-use television tuned to a given show.

"The Bachelorette" had a higher household rating but fewer viewers than "Joe Millionaire," indicating households tuned to "The Bachelorette" had fewer people watching.

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They will help me get the gold in Paralympics in 2004. They keep me going during the tough times and have even given me a custom name. Matt is quiet, but he is happy and I think he is happy. I always have and I’ve always been happy. I can’t imagine what I have to overcome now or what has happened in the past. I don’t think about those things now, there’s no reason to be counterproductive by dwelling on them. Those things are the past and can’t be helped. I am who I am, and no amount of good or bad luck can change that. I am getting the chance to do what I love and I am getting the chance to do what I love.

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Let the stem cell debate begin

A few weeks back, someone solicited debate on the isolation and use of human embryonic stem cells for therapeutic purposes. I'd like to extend this dialogue.

A question was posed to me about the responsibility of a Catholic university if they have scientists using human embryonic stem cells in their research. As a Notre Dame alumnus and a part of its extended family, I'd like to offer a few thoughts from the perspective of a concerned molecular biologist.

I think it is imperative that Notre Dame and Catholic university, give some thought to these issues, which may already have reared their head. My answer to the question posed was that the use of the allowed 70 or so cell lines, speaking from a Catholic perspective, seems, at the outset, benign. We did not isolate the cells, someone else did. The deed is done, we have what we have and may as well make use of it for the good of science. At Notre Dame I feel this is a decision they can live with.

I believe, though, that we have a little more work to do — road-thinking about this.

Scientifically speaking (from experience), anything you manipulate cells, you run a fairly high risk of creating mutations in the cell lines. These mutations, although appearing silent in your petri dish, may result in trading in one disease for another at the worst, or no cure at the very least when introduced to patients. This problem will also make meaningful characterization of the cell lines pertinent, as cell lines change over time in the laboratory, a fact acknowledged by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) while examining the subject of human stem cell research.

For this reason, 70 cell lines is not enough, and in fact, it is now becoming apparent to the scientists using these cell lines that there are problems.

This means we need more cell lines. The question then becomes: Do we want to put ourselves in a position that, although we (or any Catholic university) are in the "clear" on cell isolation, we are, in effect, creating a demand for more cell lines by our continued use? Where will a scientist get more cell lines? How will the need be satisfied? Will we get to a point where the manufacture of embryos will be required for research to go on?

How do we as Catholics view the dignity of human life? Forget about being Catholic for a minute, how do you feel about cloning for a therapeutic purpose? Do you feel this is a scientific consummation, or a greater sense of respect among classmates.

Do you feel the Southern Manifesto, is something that happens each Saturday in the fall, or is something that is in the fabric of the floor of the Senate a few years ago he used the same racial epithet. Oh, I almost forgot to mention that Sen. Byrd is a former Ku Klux Klan activist and now chairs the powerful Appropriations Committee (only until the new Senate convenes).

We are still ND.

Why no outrage over these two instances of apparent hypocrisy? The answer is simple: the Washington Post's and CNN's of the media world don't want you to know the entire unabridged truth. Heaven forbid we expose the Southern Democratic Party's dirty little secret infatuation with racism and segregation in the past.

Finally, I would like to commend Sen. Lott for his wise and admirable decision not to seek the leadership position of the Senate. His decision to step down was in the best interest of the Party, but more importantly, in the best interest of the American people. He realized that his actions had damaged his ability to lead the Senate effectively and with a fresh face.

Bill Frist (a surgeon who volunteers helping AIDS patients in Africa in his spare time) assuming the position of Majority leader, the country can move forward.

Just another example of fallen Republican leaders — like Newt Gingrich and Bob Livingston — looking beyond personal ambition for the greater good of the nation. That's more than I can say for the other side — see Bill Clinton, Gary Condit and Jesse Jackson.

Call me old-fashioned, but I think most people value selflessness, duty and honor a little more than dishonesty, unrestrained ambition and a shameless, unapologetic attitude toward one's actions and country.

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By COLLEEN BARRETT and MARIA SMITH
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The last month has seen the return of Leonardo DiCaprio in two almost simultaneous films by two of the most acclaimed American film directors. Steven Spielberg and Martin Scorsese have both made names for themselves with countless innovative films over the past several decades. Their newest releases merit a look at what brought them to where they are today.

**Martin Scorsese**

Martin Scorsese has been hailed as one of the most masterful and innovative film directors of his time. Directing acclaimed films such as "Casino," "Taxi Driver," and "Goodfellas," Scorsese has made his name not only through his use of unusual camera angles and shooting techniques but through intriguing themes of religion and violence in modern society.

Scorsese grew up in Flushing, N.Y., in the 1940s. A child of Italian American parents, Scorsese suffered from debilitating asthma. Unable to play sports with other children, Scorsese spent his time in movie theaters, developing an early love for the cinema. Raised as a Catholic, Scorsese originally considered being a priest, but later changed his mind and headed to film school at New York University.

Scorsese made his first directing effort in 1963 with a nine-minute short film entitled "What's a Nice Girl Like You Doing in a Place Like This?" He made two more short films before directing his first full length feature, "Who's That Knocking At My Door?" in 1969.

After teaching at N.Y.U., Scorsese produced "Street Scenes," a documentary of the 1970 student protests opposing the American Invasion of Cambodia. He moved on to several editing projects, including "Woodstock," "Medicine Ball Caravan," and "Elvis on Tour.

Scorsese produced "Mean Streets," his first acknowledged masterpiece, in 1973. The film followed the dilemma of Charlie, a small-time hood in Little Italy too nice to succeed as a bad-debt collector. The movie was the beginning of a running working relationship between Scorsese and Robert DeNiro.

Scorsese's 1974 release "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore" starred actress Ellen Burstyn, who won an Oscar for her role as a woman trying to support herself and her son after her husband's death.

In 1974 Scorsese also began work on "Taxi Driver." The famous film starred DeNiro as a bad-debt collector. The movie was a major hit, becoming both famous and infamous. "Taxi Driver" won the Palme d'Or at the 1976 Cannes Film Festival, bringing Scorsese worldwide recognition. Five years later, it inspired John Hinckley's assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan. The man had become obsessed not only with the film but with Foster herself...

"Raging Bull." Scorsese's next major hit, was released in 1979. The film again starred DeNiro as boxer Jake LaMotta. The two also worked together on "The King of Comedy" in 1983.

Scorsese became controversial with his 1988 release "The Temptation of Christ." Many considered the film's portrayal of Christ's life blasphemous. The protests only boosted profits. In 1990 Scorsese returned to mob life and the streets of New York with "Goodfellas."

While many of Scorsese's films were acclaimed for his unique use of camera angles, voiceovers and anathema, he produced more commercial hits as well. In 1991 at the request of Universal Pictures Scorsese produced the classic thriller "Cape Fear."


Scorsese's most recent contributions to the world of film include "Bringing Out the Dead" (1999) and "Gangs of New York" (2002). The former stars Nicolas Cage as a mentally exhausted paramedic. "Gangs of New York" re-introduces actor Leonardo DiCaprio in another tale of New York violence, also featuring Daniel Day-Lewis in another starring role.

Scorsese initially gained fame for his innovative filming techniques. Like all truly famous directors, he has maintained his reputation through the continued quality of his films. His characters have a reality and intensity only made possible through his introspective film techniques. For example, his use of voiceovers in "Goodfellas" lets viewers see not only the events but also what goes through each character's head at crucial moments.

The sheer diversity of Scorsese's work makes the director remarkable. Few directors can successfully make hit films out of immigrants life, mob warfare, classic literature and countless other topics. Innovative and ingenious, Martin Scorsese has earned his fame as one of the best Hollywood directors.
Steven Spielberg

In Hollywood, Steven Spielberg’s name is synonymous with directing and producing big budget, highly acclaimed movies. His eclectic resume as a director, producer, screenwriter and actor has influenced all genres of the film industry from comedy to horror and science fiction to drama. Yet who could imagine that the spectacular visual effects of “Jurassic Park” might stem from a fascination with the forlorn situation of Jimmy Stewart’s “It’s a Wonderful Life” character, George Bailey? “Before I go off and direct a movie I always look at four films. They tend to be: ‘Seven Samurai,’ ‘Lawrence of Arabia,’ ‘It’s a Wonderful Life,’ and ‘The Searchers’ said Spielberg.

Spielberg is well known for his films that use impressive special effects, such as “E.T.” (1982), “Back to the Future” (1985) and “Jurassic Park” (1993). Early critics of Spielberg pointed out that his films, even the dramatic “The Color Purple” (1985), demonstrated his craftsmanship and enormous skills on screen, but failed to merge substance with style. Many pointed out that his films, though visually beautiful, were hollow at the center.

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Spielberg’s copies of those four movies have probably been replaced numerous times due to the wear and tear of constant viewing, given Spielberg’s extensive directing career. Born Dec. 18, 1946, Spielberg made “Amblin,” his first short feature film in 1969. He first earned respect as a director in 1969 with “Night Gallery,” his television debut. “ Duel” (1971), his first feature length film made for television, secured him the reputation of a man with unlimited potential.

In 1974, Spielberg permanently graduated to feature films with “The Sugarland Express.” The next effort in 1975 changed the film industry. “Jaws” established the summer months as the most lucrative period of the year and began the shift toward big budget summer blockbusters.

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New Raptors silence Jordan, Wizards magic

Associated Press

WASHINGTON A couple of pickups from the Mobile Revelers and North Charleston Lowes have helped Michael Jordan into silence.

Rafer Alston and Damone Brown, both playing on 10-day contracts from the National Basketball Development League, scored 13 points apiece, and Alston added 11 assists as the Toronto Raptors upset the Washington Wizards 94-88 on Wednesday night.

The injury-ravaged Raptors won their second in a row defensively, they just lost the players — including 10-day signee Alston from the Revelers, Brown from the Lowaters and Art Long, who was cut this season by the team earlier Tuesday.

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Heat 88, Pistons 85

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Caron Butler scored 22 points, Rasual Butler added 16 and Miami survived some last-minute heroics to snap a season-high six-game losing streak by beating the Detroit Pistons 88-85.

Miami won despite missing center Shaquille O'Neal in the first 10:50. Detroit's Jon Barry was short with a fullaway 30- footer in the last minute to go, and the Pistons could have forced an overtime.

Playing again without starters Jordan and Tracy McGrady, the Best, the Heat scored Detroit's five-game road winning streak. Jones has missed six games and Best seven because of ankle sprains, and while both are day-to-day, they're expected to miss Indiana's game at Indiana.

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Caron Butler shot 8-for-14 and added eight rebounds and four assists in 44 minutes.

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"If you miss six free throws, you put yourself in jeopardy," Riley said. "We get paralyzed as a young team, and we wait for the game to end, and it isn't going to end unless you make it end." After Detroit's Chauncey Billups missed an open three-pointer with three seconds left, Rasual Butler missed two free throws, giving the Pistons the ball again with 4.7 seconds to go. Barry inbounding to Chucky Atkins, who passed back to Barry, who missed a desperation try.

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The game marked the return of former Buck Glenn Robinson, but Atlanta's star forward missed his third straight game with an injured right elbow.

"I can't shoot outside the paint," Robinson said before the game.

The Bulls trailed 58-57 when Atlanta and Cassell took over during a 10-0 run in the third period.

Allen started the streak with a cutter across the lane, then hit a pull-up 3-pointer. After a basket by Cassell, Allen got a long rebound off a missed dunk by Tim Thomas and sank another from the left corner.

Cassell added a jumper and two free throws for a 71-58 lead.

Sharae Abdur-Rahim led the Hawks with 23 points. Jason Terry added 22, but the only points he had after halftime came on a 3-pointer with 1.5 seconds left in the third quarter that pulled the Hawks to 79-72.

Milwaukee opened the fourth quarter on an 11-3 run for a 90-75 lead.

Robinson received a standing ovation when he walked out of the tunnel and another when he was introduced. He double-teamed Karl on his way to the bench.

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NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Vols coach reaches 'Summitt' with win 800

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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - Pat Summitt became the first coach in women's college basketball history to win 800 career games when No. 5 Tennessee beat No. 25 DePaul 76-57 Tuesday night.

Summitt is just the fourth men's or women's coach in Division I with 800 victories, behind North Carolina's Dean Smith, Kentucky's Adolph Rupp and Jim Phelan at Mount Saint Mary's.

Summitt's record stands at 800-161 in 29 seasons with six national championships, second only to John Wooden's 10 titles at UCLA.

Tennessee (12-3) didn't allow for much suspense in whether Summitt would have to wait for the next game to reach the milestone.

After the Blue Demons (12-4) tied it at 2 in the opening minute, it was all Tennessee.

The Lady Vols slowly built a lead and then went on an 18-0 run in the first half.

Tennessee head coach Pat Summitt earned her 800th career victory when the No. 5 Vols defeated No. 25 DePaul Tuesday night, 76-57.

Reserve Brittany Jackson started it with two consecutive 3-pointers. Loree Moore caught a pass behind her, dribbled it around her back and drove to the basket and then Tye'sha Fluker capped the run on a put-back that gave Tennessee a 36-10 lead with 5:19 remaining before halftime.

The Lady Vols' lead didn't drop below 19 points the rest of the way.

As the last seconds ticked away, the fans rose to their feet and chanted, "800, 800, 800!" When the game ended, Summitt walked over and hugged DePaul coach Doug Bruno then hugged each player as orange and white confetti rained on the court.

Ashley Robinson led Tennessee in scoring with 12 points while Shyra Ely had 11 and Gwen Jackson added 10.

The Blue Demons were led by Khara Smith's 18 points and Charline Smith's 14.

DePaul had trouble against Tennessee's much bigger post players and couldn't get any good looks from beyond the arc.

Despite the lopsided score, the Lady Vols didn't hold back. Summitt continued to substitute players and yell out directions and encouragement from the bench.

Summitt was hired as a graduate teaching assistant and women's coach at Tennessee in 1974 at age 22. She earned her first career victory in the team's second game in January 1975.

It took Summitt nearly four years to reach her 100th win on Jan. 13, 1979, at North Carolina State.

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The Toronto Maple Leafs aren't bringing their road troubles back home.

 Mats Sundin scored the go-ahead goal with 7:59 left in the third period as the Maple Leafs extended their home unbeaten streak to 13 games with a 3-2 victory over the Calgary Flames on Tuesday night.

The Maple Leafs, who managed just one shot in the first period, won despite being outshots for the 10th straight game and 13th in 14. Toronto lost its previous two road games, 6-2 to Boston on Saturday and 5-1 to the New York Rangers on Monday.

"It probably wasn't one of our best games, but a lot of times you struggle in the first part of a home game after a road trip," Sundin said.

Nik Antropov had a goal and an assist for the Maple Leafs, 12-5-1 at home since losing 5-2 to Detroit on Nov. 16. Antropov made 31 saves, including several impressive stops. Belfour robbed Chris Clark of a goal with a pad save in the second and stopped Jarome Iginla on a breakaway late in the third.

"Belfour made some huge stops - absolutely huge - and they came back and got the win," Iginla said.

Craig Berube and Stephane Yelle scored for the Flames, who lost their fourth straight, including several impressive games this season. He scored after allowing six goals before skating back home.

Antropov said. "It's nice for the fans to respond the way they did and we had a solid effort to keep the team here." 

The franchise, which has been under the league's control since June, filed for bankruptcy Monday. "That's great news," Lalime said. "I'm looking at it as a positive, from the standpoint that there are a lot of financial situations that can be sorted out." 

Denis Hamel got his first point of the season with a third-period goal and rookie Ryan Miller recorded his first shutout Tuesday night to give the Buffalo Sabres a victory over the Minnesota Wild.

The Sabres, improving to 5-1-0-1 and has just one win in seven games.

They're performing well. One of the league's youngest teams, the Sabres outshot the Wild 27-22 and dictated the pace most of the game.

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Wolfed down
North Carolina State's 21-point second quarter too much for Notre Dame to overcome in 28-6 Gator Bowl loss

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Writer

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A winter break that started bad ended even worse for Notre Dame with a 28-6 drubbing at the hands of North Carolina State in the Gator Bowl.

The suspension of starting tackles Brennan Curtin and Jordan Black, the season ending injury of starting line backer Dan Burnette, the Jacksonville arrest of special teams player Chad DeBoit left the Wolfpack with three black eyes and an injured knee before the team even took the field at Jacksonville’s Alltel Stadium.

And then there was the game. North Carolina State put up 21 second-quarter points and Wolfpack quarterback Philip Rivers went 23-for-37 for 228 yards and two touchdowns in leading his team to a 28-6 victory over a listless Irish squad.

"Their whole defense was very talented, and they played very hard," Irish center Jeff Faine said. "To be honest, we just didn’t get it done, we kept shooting ourselves in the foot."

As Faine put it, self-inflicted mistakes held the Irish back all afternoon. Notre Dame committed nine penalties for 90 yards, including four personal fouls, turned the ball over three times and suffered injuries to quarterback Carlyle Holiday, tight end Gary Godsey and line backer Mike Goolsby.

"We didn’t play our style of football in the first half," All-American corner back Shane Walton said. "We lost our cool, and it showed. It felt like we were on our heels a little bit in the first half."

Before the offi cials came off in a three-touch down second quarter, it was actually the Irish who struck first in the game. After holding North Carolina State to three-and-out on its first possession, the Irish moved the ball all the way to the Wolfpack 2-yard line.

On second and three from the 1-yard line, Holiday swept around the right side and was hit hard by line backer Dan Burnett. Holiday fell hard on his left side, re-injuring the shoulder he separated earlier in the season against Michigan State. The hit not only helped lead to the North Carolina State goal line stand, but it also sidelined Holiday for the remainder of the game.

Chuck Amato Wolfpack coach

"Their quarterback getting knocked out there at the goal line, there’s no question [that’s big]."

One of those days you can’t put it back. It also lead to the North Carolina State touchdown.

North Carolina State scored touchdowns on each of its next two possessions, the first coming on a 2-yard McLendon run and the second on a 9-yard pass from Rivers to receiver Jerricho Cotchery.

Rivers, who won MVP honors in the game, was 13-for-15 during the first half, missing only his first and last passes of the period. [Rivers] did a good job reading our defense, making the high percentage passes over the middle," Irish safety Gerome Sapp said. "It’s just one of those days you can’t put your finger on. He played like a veteran."

Irish backup Pat Dillingham played three quarters plus in relief of the injured Holiday. The sophomore was under fire most of the way from the Wolfpack pass rush, but he remained in the game despite receiving several hard hits and a gash on his chin that required nine stitches to close up.

"We just had to go forward," Faine said. "We had a quality backup in Pat Dillingham and you have to give credit to Pat, he kept his chin up."

Dillingham finished the day 19-of-37 passing for 166 yards, but with three costly interceptions.

The top-sided loss casts a dark shadow on the sour end of a Notre Dame season that began with such promise. After starting out 8-0 and climbing as high as No. 3 in the BCS rankings, the Irish dropped three of their last five games and needed a last second victory to defeat Navy.

Notre Dame players and coaches say they will not let the rough ending spoil an otherwise successful season, however.

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"We had a bad game today, but I still think we had a wonderful season."

Gerome Sapp Irish safety

Irish wide receiver Amaz Battle is sandwiched by North Carolina State safety Terrence Holt, left, and defensive end Manny Lawson. The Irish had trouble moving the ball altogether in dropping a 28-6 loss to the Wolfpack in the Gator Bowl.

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player of the game

Wolfpack quarterback Philip Rivers
The junior was 23-for-37 with 228 yards passing and two touchdowns to earn Gator Bowl MVP honors.

stat of the game

17 number of snaps taken by Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday

When Holiday went down, much of the Irish game plan went with him.

play of the game

Wolfpack line backer Dan Bumette’s hard tackle on Holiday on second and goal at the 1-yard line
The tackle not only helped stall Notre Dame’s drive, but knocked Holiday from the ball game.

quote of the game

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Gerome Sapp
Irish safety
You gotta have heart

Above, Irish players salute the fans in Jacksonville by raising their helmets at the end of the game. Most players had to return to the field from the locker room after forgetting the team’s traditional salute to the student section. At right, Irish receiver Ronnie Rodamer, left, and defensive back Dwight Ellick console each other after the tough loss.

PHOTOS BY LISA VELTE

You gotta have heart

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — If Tony Bennett left his heart in San Francisco, the Irish must have forgotten theirs in Los Angeles after their 44-13 loss to USC.

Not long after the soon-to-be Heisman Trophy winner Carson Palmer and the Trojans picked apart a listless Notre Dame defense for a school record 425 yards passing and 610 yards of total offense, Irish players began auditioning for their part as the Tinman in the Wizard of Oz.

The one-handed defeat relegated the Irish to the Gator Bowl, shattering their dreams of finishing their Cinderella season with a BCS bowl berth.

But after the game, it was obvious the loss had sucked the wind out of the Irish like a solid right to the gut.

It was obvious in the way the dejected players walked out of the Los Angeles Coliseum locker room.

And, most importantly, it was obvious in the way that an up-and-coming North Carolina State squad out hustled and outplayed the Irish in the Wolfpack’s 28-6 victory, marking Notre Dame’s sixth consecutive bowl loss.

It was obvious the Wolfpack wanted it more than the lame Irish squad that merely appeared happy to be in Jacksonville for a New Year’s holiday.

It was obvious in the way North Carolina State stormed onto the field just before kickoff.

It was obvious in the way the Wolfpack played off their North Carolina State history — no small claim for a coach who beat his former team and national power Florida State just the game before.

It was not the same offense that had always managed to find that spark for North Carolina State. It was not the same defense that had always managed to find that important score to secure the victory as it so often did in those first eight games.

In the post-game press conference, Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham tried to pinpoint the cause of his team’s tentative play.

"The most disappointing thing is the loss, but I am mostly concerned with the manner in which we played," the first-year Irish coach said after the Gator Bowl, on the one-year anniversary of his hiring. "We didn't start the ball game as aggressively as I felt we have to. You can't be a great football team if you're on your heels, and that's how we started.

"It didn't seem like it was their heels that was the problem. It was the heart.

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**WOMENS SWIMMING**

**Irish top Kansas in Acapulco fiesta**

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's swimming team capped off a week of training in Acapulco, Mexico with a 129-69 victory over Kansas on Jan. 6. Winning eight of 10 events, the team captured its third straight victory in dual meet competition. The Irish overall record increases to 4-1-1.

Freshman Christel Bouvron, a 2000 Singapore Olympian, continued to impress with victories in the 200 freestyle (2:08.04) and the 100 butterfly (1:03.62). Junior Laurie Musgrave won the 100 breaststroke in 1:14.07.

The Irish have been receiving contributions from the entire roster so far this season, and it continued against Kansas.

Against Pittsburgh, the 400 freestyle medley relay team of Sarah Alwen, Danielle Hulick, Katie Eckholt and Heidi Hendrick also took first. In addition, Alwen won the 200 freestyle (1:53.38), Hulick took the 100 backstroke (57:30), and Hendrick won the 100 freestyle (52.22) with Eckholt finishing a close second (52.49).

With three meets remaining before the Big East championships in Uniondale, N.Y., coach Weathers said the focus now shifts to a more competitive week-to-week schedule.

"This is the time of year when kids need to focus a lot on what they are doing, take care of little things in races." - Bailey Weathers, coach

"They are one of the four top teams in our conference." - Bailey Weathers

At Trees Pool, Meghan Perry-Eaton won both the one-meter and three-meter diving events with scores of 260.33 and 250.80, respectively. Garcia won the 200 butterfly (2:02.93) and 100 butterfly (55.95). Bouvron took second behind teammates Sarah Alwen and Garcia in the 200 freestyle (1:53.91) and 100 butterfly (57.72), respectively. The freshman would win in the match against Kansas.

"Some of their kids had been shaved and rested since Thanksgiving to make cuts for the Big East," said Weathers.

"When you give teams rest it usually gives you problems, but our girls did a good job not letting it bother them." - Bailey Weathers

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Belles looking to sting Hornets once again

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN and TREY WILLIAMS
Sports Writers

Kalamazoo will come into Wednesday's game against Saint Mary's looking to sting Hornets once again. Basler has played well, earning MIAA Player of the Week honors earlier this season. However, the Hornets will be in for a battle against the well-balanced Belles. Saint Mary's is led by senior Shaun Russell (7 points per game in conference games), and sophomore Maureen Bush (12 points per game), and Katie Boyce (11 points per game). Sophomore Emily Creachbaum looks to be back to full strength after an illness limited her minutes the last two games.

"Going on break was good for our team," coach Suzanne Weishuhn said. "In our tournament, we saw some (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) teams, and they were of higher caliber. Playing against them has helped to prepare us for conference play." The Belles look to improve upon their 5-8 overall record, and 1-1 record in conference play. They beat Olivet on the road, but lost to Hope at home on Jan. 11. The Belles place special emphasis on today's game, as they know that the Hornets will be hungry for a win.

In action over the winter break, Saint Mary's had a limited taste of holiday joy, as they struggled through five tough games, including a tournament and two conference match ups. TheBelles started on a positive note at the Saint Xavier Tournament, with a 67-47 win over Calumet College of St. Joseph. They came on strong from the start, leading 36-15 at the end of the first half. Part of St. Mary's impressive scoring was the result of contribution from all positions. "Everybody on the team came ready to play from the start," said freshman guard Bridget Boyce. "Each player helped out in their own way, whether it was scoring, rebounds or defense." Bridget Boyce was among the contributors, scoring 13 points and gathering four rebounds. Her scoring was second only to Creachbaum's 14 points.

Freshman Anne Hogan strengthened the already relentless Belle game with 12 points and five rebounds. Saint Mary's hit a kink in day two of the tournament with a 71-54 loss St. Xavier. The unbeatable scoring from the day before was stopped cold early in the first half, as Creachbaum was taken out of the game after suffering from heat exhaustion. Bush filled the gap left by Creachbaum, putting up a team high 11 points and going 5-for-8 from the line.

"We played with some intensity," said Boyce. "We just came up short." A broken Belle team took another defeat to St. Ambrose, 66-52 in the final day of the tournament. The Belles ended the holidays with a win and a loss in conference play. Saint Mary's used their versatility on the court to accumulate their signature numbers in a 64-53 win over Olivet College. The Belles then returned home, only to suffer a disheartening 90-73 loss to Hope College. The Belles hope to strengthen their weak defense in practice to get back to the strong defensive play that earned them a win against Alma.

The Belles then returned to the court after a two-week break, with a win and a loss in conference play. Saint Mary's and Kalamazoo are currently in a tie for first place with 12 points each. The Belles look to improve their standing in the conference this season.
MENS BASKETBALL

Basketball sends Markwood to Maine

By ANDREW SOKUP
Sports Writer

Chris Markwood loved Notre Dame. But he left because he loved basketball more.

Frustrated at his lack of playing time, the backup guard returned to his home state to finish his college career. He transferred last month to the University of Maine.

"He left with no hard feelings," said Torrian Jones, one of Markwood's closest friends on the team. "He made the decision he had to make, and he loves basketball."

Markwood, who couldn't be reached for comment, had apparently been thinking about the decision to transfer for some time. He first confided in Jones a few weeks before final exams, and then made the decision during finals week.

The 6-foot-4, 202-pound junior will have to sit out one full year before he can play again.

Named Mr. Basketball in Maine his senior year of high school, Markwood's career at Notre Dame got off to a rough start. He underwent arthroscopic knee surgery during September of his freshman year and missed the entire season.

Then, during his sophomore season, Markwood spent most of the season backing up freshman Chris Thomas. He only appeared in 18 games, averaging a little over five minutes an appearance, and never scored more than two points in a game.

Things didn't get any better for Markwood this season. Freshman Brian Quinn increased playing time backing up Thomas, meaning Markwood played mostly in mop-up time. He appeared in six games, failed to score and played a total of 10 minutes.

"He loves the team, he loves the coach, he loves everybody here," Jones said. "But he loves basketball and he wasn't really happy. Game days were real rough for him, and he's going somewhere where he's more comfortable."

Markwood is the second Notre Dame player to transfer in coach Mike Brey's three-year tenure. Ivan Kartelo left for Purdue two years ago. His departure leaves the Irish with 10 scholarship players on roster, not counting freshman Omar Peterkin, who is expected to sit out the entire season to preserve a year of eligibility.

Before Markwood left, the players took their departing teammate for a going away dinner. He still stays in contact with his former teammates, most notably Jones. The two had planned to room together.

"I've talked to him, I see how things are going and I try to keep his spirits up," Jones said. "I still try to talk to him, but I don't want to talk to him too much to make him miss this place."

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big as six points.

But when Carroll buried a 3-pointer on a nifty pass from Cornette to break a 47-47 tie with 9:36 remaining in the game, the crowd erupted into a deafening roar, and it was all Irish from then on.

"Since a loss to Pittsbugh 11 days ago, the Irish have had trouble stopping physical Big East opponents from scoring inside. In the first half, Rutgers repeatedly dumped the ball inside for relatively easy baskets. After a halftime timeout-longing from Brey, the Irish settled down, scoring the first seven points of the half and limiting the Knight's opportunities inside the paint.

"We got to have a big guy who can guard a big guy one on one," Irish coach Mike Brey said. "Torin [Francis] and Tom [Timmernann] couldn't do that tonight. But we found a guy who could."

While the Irish may still be searching for a weapon inside, they have already developed a deadly one from the free-thrown line. One of the best free-throw shooting teams in the Big East, the Irish shot 29-for-34 from the line against the Knights.

"I think anybody in the league can dominate this team in this place," Rutgers coach Gary Waters said. "But for 50 or so minutes, everybody in this arena was scarred."

Notre Dame 93, Canisius 75 — Dec. 22

Playing for the first time in over a week, the Irish showed little rust had accumulated on its high-powered offensive engine.

All 11 Notre Dame players got into a game where the Irish were never challenged. Carroll paced the Irish with 29 points on 10-of-14 shooting.

Carroll again led the way for the Irish by scoring 14 points. Both Francis and Miller tailed a double-double by scoring 17 points and recording 13 assists.

Notre Dame 76, Vanderbilt 63 — Dec. 30

The signs of an offensive slump started to appear against the Commodores. Although the Irish, for the most part, cruised to victory in their final 2002 game, they shot just 42.4 percent from the field.

However, five Irish players tallied double­

digit point totals. Thomas led the way with 19 points, followed by Carroll with 15. Francis with 11 and Miller with 10. Coming off the bench, Torrian Jones tallied 12 points.

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By JOE HETTLER  
Sports Editor

Christmas break wasn’t very merry for the Notre Dame women’s basketball team.
The Irish played stiff competition and came out of the break with a 4-3 record that put them at 10-4 overall after a 71-42 blowout win at St. John’s Tuesday night.
The Irish were led by Jacqueline Batteast’s 24 points, 11 rebounds and five assists, while Teresa Benton and Courtney LaVere had 19 points as the Irish outrebounded the Red storm 45-29.

“I thought we did a nice job on the boards,” Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. “I thought we did that shooting from the floor and think that’s a tribute to their guards all game. The loss to No. 5 Tennessee on Dec. 28. No. 5 Tennessee came against Notre Dame, scoring 21 points, while the Irish were putting them at 10-4 overall. The Irish were led by Jacqueline Batteast’s 24 points, 11 rebounds and five assists, while Teresa Benton and Courtney LaVere had 19 points as the Irish outrebounded the Red storm 45-29.

“You can’t get away with that type of performance,” McGraw was also pleased. “Our goal was to come in and play our best. We didn’t play well, and I think that’s a tribute to their defense.”

Volunteer Gwen Jackson led Tennessee with 16 points, 11 rebounds and five assists.

“We played scared,” McGraw said after the game, which marked Notre Dame’s first loss since the orientation season.

Notre Dame then traveled to face West Virginia and used an outstanding second half to beat the Mountaineers 66-59. The Irish trailed by as many as 14 before using an 18-2 run to get back into the game. Severe came huge for Notre Dame, scoring 21 points, while Batteast added 11.

But the Irish couldn’t use their momentum from the West Virginia when they came back to the Joyce Center to face Miami Jan. 11.

The Hurricanes’ Tamara James scored 27, while teammate Channiva Roundtree added 13 points and eight rebounds in an 80-70 Miami victory. Miami won by forcing 29 turnovers and out-rebounding Notre Dame 47-39.

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First Notre Dame had lost back-to-back home games since the 1994-95 season.

The Irish will face two more Big East foes in the next few weeks, taking on Rutgers at home Saturday and No. 1 Connecticut on Jan. 20.

Both games are at the Joyce Center.

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WOMENS BASKETBALL

Irish struggle to find rhythm

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Meanwhile, Notre Dame kicker Nicholas Setta has yet to decide where he will be playing next season.

The senior has one year left of eligibility, but could elect to skip that year and declare for the NFL.

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Hockey

Lalonde trades shamrocks for maple leaves

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

Notre Dame forward Alex Lalonde left the team Dec. 20 to play major junior hockey in Canada.

"We wish Alex all the best and we support him in his decision. I know it was a difficult choice for him to make," head coach Dave Poulin said.

"In speaking with his family and Alex at length, this was the choice that they made. I appreciate the effort he has given to the program the last year and a half."

The Irish participated in a total of seven contests over the winter break, collecting a 2-3-2 record in those games.

Notre Dame traveled to Joe Louis Arena in Detroit, home of the Stanley Cup champion Red Wings, to take on Wayne State in a match on Dec. 14.

Behind two goals by sophomore forward Van Stastny and the game-winning goal by senior forward Connor Dunlop, the Irish were able to defeat non-conference foe Wayne State by a final score of 3-2.

After losing Lalonde, the Irish traveled to Hanover, N.H. to take part in the Ledyard National Bank Tournament. On Dec. 28, the Irish took on host Dartmouth in a first-round matchup.

Despite outshooting the Big Green 42-39 and not allowing a power play goal on three chances, the Irish fell to the home team by a score of 6-4.

Dartmouth took a commanding 4-0 lead in less than 25 minutes, but the Irish battled back to make the score a respectable 5-4 before the Big Green sealed the game with an empty net goal.

Senior forward John Wie gand scored two goals in the game, and junior defense man Brett Lebda and junior forward Rob Globke each scored a goal in the losing effort.

The following day, the Irish tied Vermont 3-3 in the tournament’s consolation game. Sophomore forward Cory McLean, freshman forward Matt Amado and junior defenseman Tom Galvin each scored in the contest.

Following the three holiday non-conference games, the Irish returned to CCHA play in impressive form, defeating the University of Nebraska-Omaha 5-3 in Omaha on Friday, Jan. 3.

The Irish leapt ahead to a 3-0 lead on a goal by Stastny and two goals by CCHA-leading goal scorer Globke. Two goals by UNO in the second period and a goal by Irish defenseman Galvin made the lead 4-2 heading into the third period.

Sophomore Irish goaltender Morgan Cey came up large in the third period, as the Mavericks 17-3, only giving up one goal in that flurry, outhit Notre Dame. Senior forward John Wroblewski put the game away with a late empty net goal.

The Mavericks were able to exact revenge on the Irish the following day, as Notre Dame lost by a count of 5-3. The Irish got on the scoreboard with two goals by Stastny and one by Wie gand.

The Irish continued its long road trip, traveling to Big Rapids, Mich. to take on CCHA leader Ferris State. The 15th-ranked Bulldogs man handled the Irish 6-3 on Jan. 10.

Wroblewski scored two goals in the loss, and junior forward Aaron Gill added a tally for the Irish.

Notre Dame was able to exact some revenge the following day, achieving a 4-4 tie against Ferris State.

Stastny, Dunlop, Wroblewski and McLean all scored for the visiting Irish, and goaltender Cey made 34 saves as Notre Dame was outshot 38-28.

Notre Dame returns to action Friday at home against Yale, before traveling to Chicago to face the Bulldogs again Saturday.

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Happy Town

Oh, what I wouldn’t give to be back in France right now...

I know the feeling! Why, there’s a pub in London where we’d all go...

I guess our friends won’t hang out with us until we stop with this crap.

Happy Birthday! Clean up whatever messes you are holding back today and prepare to start anew. You will be more open to socializing, especially if it will help you get ahead in your chosen field. This is the year to mix business with pleasure. Your numbers are 4, 23, 27, 35, 41, 46.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Choose your friends wisely today. Don’t wonder about things—be Hunt and ask questions. Someone you respect will have good solutions to any romantic troubles you have.

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Gemini (May 21-June 20): Talk is cheap, but if you say the wrong things, you may find yourself in trouble. There’s your only answer. About it. You probably blew your time out.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Check out some different lifestyles today. You may discover that you are ready for a change. Moving in a new direction will lift your spirits and give you added enthusiasm.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): You have to change your new, if you want something to happen. Renovations, reconstructing or major moves are in order. Opportunities to make a professional shift are present.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a closer look at who you are and what you are doing. Stick to your own business today.

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Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Social activities will lead to meeting someone special. Your intellectual approach to life will fascinate those you encounter. Making a decision will give you a better emotional outlook.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don’t beat around the bush. You are ready and you are trying to. Hold in your money. Take your time when making decisions that will lead to a commitment.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Focus on your priorities. Don’t hesitate to back away from a deal that appears to be far too. An opportunity to find out if the rules are in order.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Look for ways to make yourself free and be fully physically and mentally. You will raise your popularity if you speak up. Your ideas are much better than you give yourself credit for.

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Mens Basketball

Irish win 12th straight at home

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

The last time Notre Dame lost a basketball game, they reeled off eight straight wins.

The way they've played since a loss to Pittsburgh, they appear on pace to win another eight.

Playing in front of the student section for the first time since semester break, the Irish pulled away from Rutgers in the final 10 minutes to win their second straight game, 68-57.

Jordan Cornette provided the defensive spark that galvanized the Irish late in the second half. Starting his second consecutive game, Cornette tallied eight points, seven rebounds and eight blocks in 33 minutes.

"I'm speechless," said Matt Carroll, who finished with a game-high 25 points. "He was unbelievable. He would come in and steal the ball, block the shots, take the charge — he was the big difference in this game."

Rutgers (8-6 overall, 0-2 Big East) hung close to Notre Dame (14-2 overall, 2-1 Big East) for most of the game. Down by five early, the Knights rallied to take a lead that got as high as four.

By Joe HETTLER

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Mainieri knows that his team has faced injuries in the past, particularly last season when the Irish lost several key players. That experience with adversity should help Notre Dame maintain its excellence again this season.

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FOOTBALL

Irish center chooses NFL draft

Setta, Watson still undecided on futures

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

Jeff Faine could have returned for a fifth year at Notre Dame, but after weighing his options, the Irish center just couldn't risk returning for another year.

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