Bishop responds to resignations

By MEGHANNE DOWNES

Student Body President Libby Bishop said the resignation of her chief of staff Pat Hallahan after she questioned his trust and ability to accurately represent the views of her office was going to happen, she said. "I don’t think I left their demand out of it," Bishop said. She pointed out that Hallahan, now running for student body president, claimed it was going to happen.

Hallahan, a candidate for student body president, said Thursday he resigned solely due to differences of opinion with his boss. "I was antagonistic, I don’t think I have had more students visit this year," he said.

Meanwhile, Hallahan, now running for student body president, claimed he did to administrators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. Student senators that the report conceded too much to administrators. 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What's Going Down
- No free meal for student
  - A student and three visitors were stopped bypassing the cashier at South Dining Hall Friday attempting to eat without paying for their meals. The case is being referred for administrative review.
- Shoplift caught at Huddle
  - A student was apprehended attempting to leave the Huddle Mart Friday without paying for items. The case is being referred for administrative review.
- Wallet stolen from Rois
  - A University employee reported the theft of his wallet from an unlocked locker in Rois Sports Recreation Center between 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Thursday. There are no suspects.
- Students go to hospital
  - NDSP transported two students to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury during Late Night Olympics at the Joyce Center on Friday night and Saturday morning.
- Car towed from PW
  - An employee of a sports injury during Late Night Olympics at the Joyce Center on Friday night and Saturday morning.

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Big East season title still the top goal for Irish
- Hit and run in Main Circle
  - A visitor reported her vehicle was hit by another vehicle while parked in the main circle on Thursday.
- Cars collide in parking lot
  - NDSP responded to a two car accident in the B03 lot on Sunday. There were no injuries reported.
- Rowdy fans hit Pitt win
  - NDSP responded to a complaint of disruptive visitors in section 117 of the Joyce Center Sunday afternoon.
- PlayStation stolen from dorm
  - A student reported the theft of his PlayStation 2 from his room in Siefried Hall between 1:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. on Sunday. There are no suspects.
- Wreck on Juniper road
  - NDSP responded to a two car accident on Juniper Road on Sunday afternoon. There were no injuries reported.
- Cell phone lost
  - A visitor reported losing her cellular phone at an unknown campus location on Sunday afternoon.

Sahana pops back "Up!"
- With the release of her latest album "Up!", music star Sahana Twain offers 19 radio and fan-friendly tracks.

Fresko off a big win over Pittsburgh, coach Mike Brey is emphasizing the upcoming Big East championship to the team more than March Madness.

North Dining Hall
- Today's Lunch: Amricatian, mush­room marinara, sausage pineapple pizza, meatloaf, scalloped corn casserole, brown sauce, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, petite carrots in honey-orange sauce, grilled tilapia, steakhouse fries, suzhouan vegetable stir-fry, chicken fajita, Lone Star rice

Today's Dinner: Amricatian, pesto sautéed zucchini apple pizza, roast top sirloin, zum potato, potato salad, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, peas and pearl onions, cherry chibber, lemon-baked perch, rice valencienne, curry vegetables, cut corn, sliced carrots, broccoli, baked potato, cupySin-4 seasoned Fries

South Dining Hall
- Today's Lunch: Meatless baked ziti, meatball stroganoff, elbow macaroni, supreme pizza, pretzel sticks, pasta prima­vera, chicken & dumplings, baked haddock jardiniere, London brelk teryyi­ki, pepper masheed potatoes, philly steak sandwich, sweet & sour chicken, chicken & cothe chichinanga

Today's Dinner: Meatless baked ziti, meatball stroganoff, elbow macaroni, supreme pizza, pretzel sticks, noodles romanoff, mixed vegetables, roast beef hash, sauerkraut, turkey brown rice, pork loin with apples, hot applesauce, cherry crisp, bata n's sea nuggets, Cantonese BBQ chicken, Cantonese rice, Cantonese stir-fry

Saint Mary's Dining Hall
- Today's Lunch: Szechuan vegetables with jasmine rice, herb pasta, marinara, harry flat bread sandwich, turkey snow pea stir fry with rice, bater fried pollack, marinara and cheese, glazed carrots, meat lovers pizza, cheese pizza, bread sticks, italiano leafier, egg salad, sliced smoked turkey

Today's Dinner: Herb pasta, marinara sauce, spicy stir fry tofu, garden burg­ger, grilled yellow squash, chicken adobo, grilled hamburger, chicken patties, grilled cheese sidekix, french fries, twice cooked pork, wild rice, parsel buttered potato, country kitchen vegeta­bles, cheese pizza, meat lovers pizza


Correction:
The Inside Column is one of the authors and is not necessary not those of The Observer. Contact Scott Brodfuehrer at brodfuehrer@dons.scu.edu.
SMC group announces events

By MEGAN O'NEIL
Assistant News Editor

Various board members gave briefings Monday afternoon at the Saint Mary’s Board of Governance meeting and the meeting included no new business.

As a result of midterms, BOG President Kim Jensen announced that the March 3 BOG is cancelled.

She went on to say that turnover of BOG positions will take place at the March 24 meeting.

Senior Class President Rachel Finely spoke briefly about Commencement proceedings, reminding the board that there are 96 days left until graduation. The senior class plans to survey Saint Mary’s seniors by phone in order to plan events for senior week in May.

It was reported that the Reading Day proposal, something long worked on by student government, goes before the Academic Standing Committee Friday for a vote. If approved, the proposal will continue on to Academic Affairs for further review.

Athletic Commissioner Ellen Burns has organized a send-off event for the Saint Mary’s swim team this Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the Angela Athletic Facility, where goody bags will be given to the swimmers. All are encouraged to attend and show support for their fellow Belles.

The Student Activities Board is hosting acoustic guitarist Adam Richman tonight at 7 p.m. in Dalloway’s.

First Year Class President Anna Bauer reported that sales of the class shirt were disappointing.

“We only ordered 150,” she said. “We are really hoping to sell them.”

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Police: NDSF played no role in Boat bust

By TERESA FRALISH
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Two weeks after the Jan. 24 raid of the Boat Club that resulted in over 200 Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students being cited, all police jurisdictions agree that Notre Dame Security Police was not involved in the planning of the bust, but it has not been clarified whether other University officials provided information to excise police about the bar.

While police and University officials declined to comment on the details of any specific coordination for the raid, state excise police at the raid did have Notre Dame student directories that were obtained directly from the University, said Lt. Greg Delitchley, spokesperson for the Assistant Director of the Indiana State Excise Police.

“We have our own [directories],” said Delitchley.

According to Delitchley, Notre Dame Security Police was not involved in planning the bust. “We had gotten information that there were underage people in The Boat Club,” he said. “We do our own investigation and we confirmed that.”

Delitchley declined to say how excise police received information about possible underage drinking at the bar or about how such activity was confirmed.

After receiving that information, excise police began planning for the raid on The Boat Club.

“I contacted South Bend Police for assistance (and) we made arrangements for a night to go,” Delitchley said.

Jeff Shoup, director of Residence Life at Notre Dame, declined to comment on whether the University provides information to police about what bars underage students patronize. However, Shoup said Residence Life became involved only after the bust occurred.

The police get those reports and then they forward them to me,” he said.

“Notre Dame students cited in the Boat Club bust were sent letters Jan. 29 stating that they were required to attend conferences at Residence Life.”

Shoup said he feels that raids are one way to promote a different attitude about drinking among students.

“It starts to build an atmosphere where people are aware of what the community standards are,” Shoup said.

The bust was led by excise police and also included South Bend police and regular state police. While the raid was taking place, Delitchley said police requested assistance from NDSF.

“I had an officer contact NDSF while we were there. We were having some trouble verifying addresses (of students who were being cited),” he said.

Delitchley could not say exactly what the difficulties were or how NDSF was able to help resolve them.

Rex Rakow, director of NDSF, said his office did not have any prior information about the Jan. 24 raid, but did become involved while the bust was taking place.

“We’re not really involved in the planning and coordination of one of the [NDSF] sergeants and assistant directors went down there to help [identify] people,” he said.

“We’re concerned in situations like [the Boat Club raid] that students are treated fairly.”

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EXECUTIVE CABINET

Group discusses budget increase

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

Student government’s Executive Cabinet met Monday night to discuss the Financial Management Board’s proposal for an annual increase in the student activity fee as well as student body president Libby O’Connor’s letter to the Trustees.

Bishop’s report to the Board of Trustees

The FMB proposed increasing the activities fee by 75 percent of the rate of tuition increases. Student union treasurer Andrew Oxenreiter said the plan is aimed at establishing a gradual, stable increase in funding for student groups.

“We want to give the budget some continuity in future years,” Oxenreiter said.

Some cabinet members balked at the idea, suggesting the rate of increase should be directly related to the increase in tuition. Amy O’Connor, chair of the Club Coordination Council, said the 75 percent figure was a compromise that would allow student organizations to maintain their current level of programming.

“It was a good balance between tying the increase (at the rate of) inflation and tying it to the full tuition increase,” O’Connor said.

Trip Foley, student body vice president, welcomed the move, calling it a “sound investment.” He said the new funding would be necessary to support under-funded campus organizations.

“We’re behind a lot of our peer institutions.” Foley said.

Students and members voted unanimously to support the resolution but added a suggestion to consider a direct increase with the rate of tuition.

Bishop spoke about her report to the University’s Board of Trustees at their meeting last week in Naples, Fla. The report primarily dealt with student reaction to the dance policies that went into effect last fall.

Bishop’s findings had been the subject of considerable debate in Student Senate, as several senators felt her recommendations were too weakly worded.

Bishop said the board welcomed the report, but confirmed its position on the dance policy.

“The trustees” received it very well, but they all agreed they wanted to invest in the new system for the next couple of years,” Bishop said.

She also applauded the board’s decision to grant $1,000 to each residence hall next year to aid in planning dances.

In other Exec Cab news:

♦ Junior class president Meghan O’Donnell announced her class will sponsor a letter-writing campaign aimed at American military personnel stationed overseas.

“We wanted to do this because a lot of people have had to leave their friends and families behind,” O’Donnell said.

♦ Freshman class president, Dave Haram, encouraged members of his class to attend “Vegas Night” Saturday in the LaFortune Ballroom. The event, titled “Let’s All Get Lucky,” will feature casino games including roulette, craps and blackjack, as well as a disco gym. Gamblers will have the chance to win DVD players, TVs and other prizes.

♦ Student Union Board manager Stephen Christ told cabinet members that this week’s “Acousticafe” will be replaced by an event called “ND Unplugged.” The event, to be held Thursday night in the Huddle, will feature live poetry readings by Notre Dame students.

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“She may say that it was disproportional, but I would say that it was dishonest that she did not inform senators,” said Hallahan.

Bishop said it was not a conscious decision not to inform senators of the administrators’ decision. She said Hallahan should have expressed his comments privately to remain professional and not expressed them in a public Senate meeting.

Bishop said she met with Hallahan after the Senate meeting because she was surprised by his comments and because they had previously discussed their views about hall dances, she was unaware of the depth of his opposing opinion.

With regard to Hallahan’s time commitment to Bishop’s office, Hallahan said he informed Bishop when he decided to run for student body president that his first priority was to the Office of the Student Body President and he would work other commitments around this schedule.

Bishop, however, disagreed. “When times of campus issues and working as chief of staff comes in conflict with student body president, I didn’t think I could serve,” Bishop said.

Foley said the timing of Hallahan’s resignation was not politically motivated and occurred because Bishop informed a staff member of Hallahan’s resignation before a final decision had been made.

Hallahan said, “It was politically motivated than it would have been coming a long time ago and my resignation would have come Monday night after a meeting the week before that was held on campus for an annual increase in the student activities fee as well as their rights against her view. I don’t think this is helping me politically.”

Another member of Bishop’s staff, Erin LaRuffa, director of public relations, said she resigned Sunday due to the handling of Hallahan’s resignation.

LaRuffa, who worked on Hallahan’s campaign, said she and Bishop talked Sunday about the comments she made in Friday’s Observer regarding Hallahan’s resignation and whether she could still represent the office as director of public relations.

LaRuffa decided to resign following their discussion.

“I didn’t think I could serve her in a public relations role anymore because I disagreed so strongly with the direction that the office was going in,” LaRuffa said.

Bishop said she didn’t believe LaRuffa needed to resign at that point.

LaRuffa expected to meet with Bishop again Monday to discuss the issue.

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Bush claims French decision will hurt alliance

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Bush said Monday he's disappointed by France's withdrawal from the decision by France, Germany and Belgium to defy the U.S. on protecting against Iraq threats to the United States. Bush accused Israel's Saddam Hussein of "trying to stall for time" by offering last-minute concessions.

"Saddam Hussein has to disarm. If he doesn't, we will disarm him," Bush said after a meeting with Australian Prime Minister John Howard, a staunch U.S. ally against Iraq. The leaders met at the end of the day that brought several setbacks to Bush's diplomatic efforts. France, Germany and Russia sought more time for weapons inspectors, who, President Jacques Chirac said there is no justification for war at this time. France led efforts to prevent NATO from planning for Turkey's defense.

"Use it or the proper word," Bush said when reporters asked for his views on France's diplomacy. "I am disappointed that France is violating its own NATO pledge to help bring about a country like Turkey to prepare," he said.

Sitting with Howard in front of the Oval Office fireplace, Bush added, "I think it affects the alliance in a negative way when you're not able to make a strong case for mutual defense."

The president dismissed efforts by Saddam to avert war by allowing U-2 surveillance planes to fly above Iraq and to permit interviews of scientists. "This is a man who is trying to stall for time," he said.

"We need to fly U-2 flights as they're not disarming," Without mentioning France or other like-minded nations by name, Bush noted that they have called for more U.N. inspectors in Iraq. He dismissed that assertion, saying "one or two" inspectors would be enough if Saddam was not hiding his weapons.

Iraq has repeatedly denied assertions that it has stocks of mass destruction. Early returns are part of an aggressive White House campaign to try to sway public and private opinion against Saddam. Earlier Monday in a speech to a convention of religious leaders in Nashville, Tenn., Bush denounced Saddam as the true enemy of Iraq's people. He said the Iraqi leader regards them as "human shields," entirely expendable when their sufferings further his purpose.

Much as his father, former President George H.W. Bush, did before the first war against Iraq in 1991, Bush portrayed Saddam as evil and a danger to his own people and the world.

Bush added, "I think it affects his own people and the world.

Later, with Howard, Bush said Australia was a member of his "coalition of the willing," a term he usually uses to describe countries willing to disarm Iraq even without U.N. approval. Bush said it was up to Howard to say how far Australia was willing to go.

The prime minister did not specifically commit troops to the Bush coalition, but said Saddam is a rogue leader who poses a grave threat.

President George W. Bush shakes hands with Australian Prime Minister John Howard during a meeting at the Oval Office of the White House. Howard strongly agreed with Bush that the decision to deny Turkey NATO protection will negatively impact the Western alliance.

NASA finds computer, part of left wing among debris

Associated Press

SPACE CENTER

NASA said Monday it had found one of Columbia's computers "apparently in fair condition" and determined that a piece of broken wing was from the space shuttle itself.

Michael Kostelnik, a deputy associate administrator, said the general purpose computer, flight control computer, was found in a field east of Fort Worth. It was kept at the Johnson Space Center for analysis.

"It was an off-base find," said Bill Readdy, NASA associate administrator, adding, "This may give us some clues as to what actually occurred on the ship."

The wing fragment includes 2-foot piece of carbon-composite panel, a dense material that covered the leading edge of the wing, and a 1 1/2-foot piece of the wing itself. Engineers are not yet certain where the piece fits, Kostelnik said.

It wasn't yet known whether the carbon panel or the silica glass-fiber thermal tiles on the wing had been burned through by the intense heat of re-entry or damaged during re-entry.

"That's something that the engineers would have to determine," Kostelnik said.

NASA said Friday that the piece was found near Fort Worth. On Monday, an analysis corrects to much farther east, "closer to Lufkin," 180 miles southeast of Fort Worth. The discrepancy was not explained.

This fragment could be extremely important, given that all the troubles apparently began in the left wing during the final minutes of Columbia's Flight Feb. 1. The shuttle broke up above Texas as it returned to Earth, killing all seven aboard.

After the wing fragment was found last week, Kostelnik called it "a significant recovery."

NASA said it also has found the cover of one of the two landing gear compartments, another potentially critical piece because a temperature surge inside the left wheel well was the first sign of trouble. But officials do not yet know whether it is from the right or left side of Columbia.

NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe said debris would be taken this week to Kennedy Air Force Base in Cape Canaveral, Fla., where it will be cataloged and assembled.

Engineers will reassemble as much of the shuttle as they can in a hangar on the Kennedy grounds, and an independent board investigating the disaster will have offices in the hangar.

Kostelnik said engineers are still looking at high resolution photographs of Columbia taken by a powerful Air Force telescope camera, but said "no engineering judgment" has been made on the images.

One photo, taken one minute before Columbia broke up, is drawing special interest. A dark gray streak can be seen trailing the left wing, and the leading edge of that wing appears to be jagged.

Kostelnik said resolution on the photos was no better than what was released to the public Friday.

World News Briefs

S. Korea believes North has no nukes:

In sharp differences with Washington, South Korea said North Korea does not have nuclear weapons and the United States should open direct talks with Pyongyang on the crisis. South Korean Prime Minister Kim Sul-soo told parliament on Monday there is no proof the North has produced nuclear material to make an atomic bomb or two atomic bombs. "North Korea is believed to have extracted enough plutonium to make one or two bombs before 1994," Kim said.

"Since then, North Korea officially has produced nuclear weapons, we believe that they do not have any," Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld said Sunday in Germany. "I think most intelligence services know the North Koreans have one or two nuclear weapons and "they may have one more nuclear missile capable of "nuclear" or "multiple" six to eight nuclear weapons" by May or June.

Islamic charity leader pleads guilty:

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Students respond to potential economics split

By NATASHA GRANT

New Writer

Students across the economics major have differing opinions on whether a split in Notre Dame's economics department would be beneficial or disadvantageous, while others said they are choosing to reserve judgment until more information is available.

The economics department as a whole has not informed students of any imminent changes and sophomore major Stephanie Hill said that she would hold off on forming an opinion until more information became available.

"I don't think that enough has been said either way," she said.

Hill said that students should have some input, but even more importantly, the opinions of the faculty should also be considered.

"Professors should have some input as well," she said. "If they don't want it, it will not go very well.

While Hill believes that the split and the name change would cause students to look first to the Department of Economics before considering a major in Economics Thought and Policy, she said that there would not be an even distribution between the two majors.

Junior Derrick Evans, who supports the split, said that he thinks the name change would be appropriate. He said that he believes that a change of name will deter students from transferring to a major in economics, by whatever name it is called.

"I don't think that although he does not know all that the split entails, he believes that it would be positive and give students a better framework for getting their degree," he said.

"I don't think that it will diminish the department," he said. "For the state that they are a part of the Department of Economics they still have, I think that the split will be beneficial."

While Evans said he believes that the final decision should rest with the department, he thinks that students should have some say in it.

Junior Elliot Poindexter, who is against the split, agreed that students should have a say in the final decision. Poindexter said he feels that the split would raise many concerns that are not easily resolvable.

"I think there's a need for both types of major of studies but the fact that the (Department of Economics Thought and Policy) will not be recognizing a concern of mine," he said.

Poindexter also voiced concerns about the division of funding and said that he was worried that departments would not receive equal funding. He said he also worries about the University's reasons for pushing for the split and said he believes the University's main reason for making the change would be a better ranking.

Poindexter said that he does not believe that students initially came to Saint Mary's because of the national ranking of its economics department.

Moreover, Poindexter is of the idea that students have to split because of their treatment. He believes that the split is not necessarily for more of its kind.

"If this could happen to the economic department, what's to stop the other departments from doing this to other departments?" said Poindexter.

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Panel discusses sexual orientation

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"It is remarkable that we have such a large group of people here to discuss sexual orientation," said Call.

Call elaborated on what is known as the traditionally conservative and liberal view on homosexuality. She lamented the current state of conservative and liberal and that currently differentiate these views.

Through her research, she discovered that those who possess conservative views believe that morality often point to the negative mention of the act in both the Old and New Testaments. For liberal thinkers, sexual orientation represents human identity ...

Carolyne Call
Psychology professor

"For liberal thinkers, sexual orientation represents human identity and (their thought process) tends to be on the issue of interpretation and is not on the authority of scripture," she said. "The emphasis is not on what Paul wrote on how Jesus reacted to people.

Astriid Henry, professor of women's studies, also spoke of the issue of sexual orientation. She primarily focused on civil rights and laws formulated for the homosexual community.

She encouraged those who are interested in receiving more information on the subject to seek information from the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force.

A fresh perspective on sexual orientation was given by current Saint Mary's student, Jessica Genther. She reflected on her time at the College as a non-Catholic and daughter of two lesbian feminists.

"I have bad both I good and bad time," said Genther. "The faculty is unbelievably supportive and most students seem not to care."

She also expressed grief that there is little focus on lesbian and bi-sexuals on campus, especially after the Web site of the Feminist Collective on campus.

"No one focuses on the issue and it leads to a lot of personal isolation," she said.

The perspective of being a lesbian was also presented at the discussion as Mary Porter, professor of mathematics, talked on her experience at the college.

She described her hesitation about coming out until she received tenure at the college and said that she views the university action or the chance of losing her job.

"I used think, "What will people do if I come out?"" said Porter. "Now I think, "If people don't like it then it is that person's problem."

The final speaker, Rebecca Stoddard, Psychology professor, attempted to open discussion on the nature versus nurture debate when it comes to sexual orientation. She pointed to several studies that supported both ends of the debate.

"In the end, like many researchers of this project one can conclude that the answer is unknowable," said Stoddard.

Immediately following the pre­sentations of the conversation starters, the participants and audience broke up into six small groups to respectively listen and discuss various ideas of Catholic social tradition.

Dolphin requested that no questions be posed to the participants of the small group discussion in order to foster a more open and honest discussion.

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Speaker highlights 3 civil rights leaders

By MELANIE BECKER

New Writer

In celebration of Black History Month, Rachel Harding, the Executive Director for the Veterans of Hope Project "A Center for the Study of Religion and Justice Education" spoke at Saint Mary's Monday.

The project Harding is directing includes video segments highlighting Ruby Sales, Gwendolyn Simmons and Bernice Johnson Reagan.

"Until recently, the role of women in the movement has not been recognized. There were a great number of women that gave strength to the Southern Freedom Movement," Harding said.

Harding added her talk by stating that racism still exists today. "We need to... be more inclusive and humane to have a more just society," she said.

"We need to change." Harding is also supported by the Center for Women's Inter-Cultural Leadership, the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Justice Education Department, as well as Alexs Brook de Vita, professor of English.

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Saint Mary's Residence Hall Association and Student Diversity Council are holding first and vice-president elections will be held today. Only one ticket is nominated to the election.

The candidates for RHA pres­ident and vice president are also running mate junior Jackie Zins. The nominees for the position of SBidan and president are vice-president Anjum Maram, Psychology major and sophomore Veronika Saavedra. Students can vote online today until mid­night by logging onto the student registration program program.

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In Brief

Venezuela continues dollar ban

Venezuela’s ban on dollar sales will continue until at least the end of the month to give President Hugo Chavez’s government time to implement strict controls on foreign exchange, a central bank director said Monday.

The government needs until at least the end of February to set up the agency in charge of enforcing the new controls. Domingo Maza told state news agency VenePress. In the meantime, citizens cannot buy any foreign currency.

Chavez imposed the freeze Jan. 21 amid an unsuccessful two-month strike seeking his ouster. The strike ended last week in all industries except oil, which provides half of government revenues.

Paperwork delays Fastow case

A federal judge granted a 90-day delay Monday in the case of former Enron Corp. chief financial officer Andrew Fastow because of the huge amount of paperwork that the government’s prosecution of the case has generated.

Fastow was not present when U.S. District Judge Kenneth Hoyt granted the delay in his case, which is not yet set for trial, to allow attorneys on both sides to better manage the extensive documentation.

“There’s no good way to make it simple,” Assistant U.S. Attorney Andrew Weissmann said. The sides agreed to establish a discovery room so all attorneys could have ready access to the paperwork, which Weissmann said numbers in the “hundreds of thousands of pages.”

Fastow, 41, was indicted Oct. 31 on 78 counts of fraud, money laundering, conspiracy, obstruction of justice and other charges related to Enron’s fall in 2001. He pleaded innocent and is free on $5 million bond.

WASHINGTON

Prices for heating oil and gasoline are soaring and likely to keep rising as energy markets cope with a colder than expected winter, the loss of Venezuela’s production and worries about war with Iraq.

A deep freeze in the Northeast caused heating oil prices to spike by 20 percent last week. The Energy Department, citing low stocks—as well as higher natural gas prices—said heating bills could be 50 percent higher this year than last winter.

Consumers are getting hit at the gasoline pumps as well.

Nationally, gasoline prices increased for the ninth straight week to an average of $1.61 a gallon for regular grades, 51 cents a gallon higher than a year ago, according to the federal Energy Information Administration. Many parts of the country have seen price hikes of 20 cents a gallon in recent weeks.

Crude oil on Friday moved above $35 a barrel, the highest it has been in two years. Government analysts say rising prices probably will stay above $30 a barrel this year, even if a war is avoided in Iraq.

The price of light sweet crude was $34.78 per barrel at noon Monday on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Although OPEC oil producers have boosted production, they have yet to make up the oil shortfall, political unrest in Venezuela. Crude inventories fell “well below the low end of the normal range” at the end of January, said the Energy Department. With high crude prices and some shortages, refiners scaled back operations, choosing to perform normal maintenance a few weeks early, some analysts said.

That has caused suppliers to draw heavily on heating oil stockpiles, causing prices to jump. On Friday, wholesale heating oil prices on the New York exchange soared to $1.20 a gallon, a jump of 30 cents from a week earlier.

After a New Hampshire terminal couldn’t get heating oil for four days, Jack Sullivan, chief executive of the New England Fuel Institute, warned in a letter to the Energy Department of “a supply and pricing crisis” if more heating oil isn’t made available.

“The demand is extraordinary,” Sullivan said in an interview Monday. His organization, which represents 1,000 heating oil companies, urged the government to release stocks from an emergency heating oil stockpile. No decision on such a release has been made.

Economists say that the supply crunch and price spiral stem from a variety of factors, especially unseen since the war in Iraq and the possibility that Kuwait and Saudi production could be disrupted.

“The dramatic price rise we’ve seen in the last couple of weeks is primarily associated with fear about war in Iraq, the disruption of oil exports from Venezuela and extremely cold weather,” said Kyle Cooper, an energy analyst for Smith Barney. Heating oil stocks in the Northeast are 35 percent below the 10-year average, according to the American Petroleum Institute.

Gasoline stocks, while still at comfortable levels, fell 3.4 million barrels last week, the government said.

If the cold winter persists, refiners will need to keep up the heating oil supply and postpone their push to making gasoline. If so, gasoline inventories may not recover, leading to higher gas prices this spring and summer, analysts said.

“Oil markets now are as tight as a fully stretched rubber band,” said an Energy Department analyst. “Whether the rubber band breaks or not will largely depend on the pace of demand in coming weeks.”

Energy costs soar dangerously

+ Cold, threat of war cause market spikes

Senator Joseph Lieberman speaks at a press conference asking President Bush to seek new "Independent" energy sources instead of relying on the oil market.

Associated Press

Johnson & Johnson acquires Scios

JOHNSON & JOHNSON acquires Scios, a biotechnology company with several approved products and a promising pipeline. The purchase of Scios, which makes treatments for heart disease, will expand Johnson & Johnson’s presence in the growing field of biotechnology.

Johnson & Johnson, the health-care giant, is best known for its baby skin and wound-care products, is bolstering its biotech might with the acquisition of Scios Inc. in a $2.4 billion cash-for-stock deal announced Monday.

Buying Scios, a 22-year-old biotech company with one product on the market and more in development, gives the New Brunswick-based maker of No More Tears shampoo and Band-Aids a way to get into the biotech market. J&J said it planned to give Scios shareholders a 30 percent premium over Scios’ stock price.

The deal, expected to close in this year’s second quarter, would be the third acquisition of a biotechnology company in less than four years for the New Brunswick-based maker of No More Tears shampoo and Band-Aids.

It would give Johnson & Johnson biotech sales approaching those of industry leader Amgen Inc. of Thousand Oaks, Calif., about $5 billion last year, said Glenn Rechel, hospital supply analyst at Morgan Stanley.

"Psychologically, I think that's important to them," Rechel said, adding it confirms J&J still prefers acquiring much-smaller companies and giving them sales and research resources to help them grow quickly, rather than buying "large, ugly companies where they have to grow revenues by cost-cutting".

Under terms of the acquisition agreement, Scios shareholders will receive $45 for each outstanding Scios share— a 30 percent premium over the trading level Thursday, before talks between the two companies were reported. Scios will retain its name, management team and other resources.

Rechel estimated J&J’s huge market- ing staff could boost sales from around $100 million last year to $600 million by promoting it in more hospitals and particularly in emergency rooms.
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these resolutions. The reality is this is a strong report. The fact that the resolution was passed painlessly shows the strength and realistic nature of our administration.

Bishop said she made an executive decision to write the report as she saw it. Part of the report's purpose, she said, was to bridge the rift between students and administrators.

Since last spring, when school officials announced that new traditions would be introduced and that these traditions would be implemented, students have resented on one side of the students-life policy debate and administrators have remained on the other. Bishop said her administration has stayed on the side of students, fighting for their interests. "But after a year, I don't think student government can afford to be in that position constantly opposed to administrators," she said. "With students on one end and the administration on the other, no progress is going to be made."

She acknowledged, too, that gulf shouldn't exist between student leaders and their constituencies. "I believe that a balance student interests with the interests of the office is absolutely necessary to make campus policy," she said. "And that's what the report did."

That's what the report did, Bishop said. "The first part was honest, letting the trustees know about the realities to the new dance policy and that students would see things like them back dorms. I wanted to go in there and show the negative views about the current dances," she said. "But I wanted to take a leadership stance because we need to make the students aware of the possibilities and that that students will be adults about this and that if we value these traditions, we'll get our own energy into making the dances the best they can be with a new policy.

"Students can still complain — nothing will be happy next year," Bishop added.

She said one trustee told her, "I think it's good that students are showing their passion for something, but they must be mature about their protests."

While her report didn't propose allowing in-dorm dances, Bishop said it was never her intention to go to Florida and not talk about the possibility of that idea. If the trustees hadn't brought it up first, she would have confronted them about the issue, she said. "I wasn't going to settle for them not talking about [restoring] the dances," she said.

Bishop believed many people worried that she would shy away from even discussing the feasibility of returning dances to residence halls. But her decision to not make that the focus of her presentation proved beneficial, she said. "I've never received so much criticism as I have in the past week," Bishop said. "Still, I think giving my report that day confirmed that I did the right thing. I don't feel that I compromised. I made the right decision."

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student visitors was a positive sign that more students were interested in Notre Dame and would likely apply. As seasons changed, the Notre Dame appeal was also noted by recruiters who traveled to other sites, Mundy said.

“We sensed in the fall that some of our typical events were more heavily attended than in the past,” he said.

During this time, the early action applications rose 30 percent to 3,100. Just under 1,400 applicants in the early action pool were accepted. But another critical fall factor was the Notre Dame football team’s Return to Glory campaign under the leadership of first-year coach Tyrone Willingham.

“You throw in a great football season and an exciting fall with a new coach who’s captured the imaginations of a lot of Notre Dame followers, ... I think you can put a lot of those things together and come up with reasons for the increase,” Mundy said.

Accepted in the early action pool and visiting the campus Monday, Kelly Wilkinson of Arlington, Texas, said she applied because of the alumni pride and the school’s academic reputation.

“It seemed like there are a lot more people who actually are interested,” Wilkinson said, adding with a smile that the football team’s success “is a little bitty factor.”

In addition to campus visits and football success, some hold that financial aid is another strong pull.

By promising to meet the financial needs of every student, Notre Dame has appealed to many students and their families, said Kathy Utz, guidance counselor at South Bend’s St. Joseph High School, which draws many local students each year.

“It looks like the school is offering more financial aid to students and I think that certainly makes a big difference with the economy,” Utz said, adding that the school’s annual financial aid meeting for parents was more heavily attended this year.

Although St. Joseph had a slight increase in the number of students who applied to Notre Dame this year — 38, up from last year’s 30 — she said the percent increase is minimal since this year’s class is slightly larger.

She noted that the increase in applications could be a larger trend. Indiana colleges such as Ball State University and Indiana University-Bloomington sent her notices that they have received more applications this year than before and that students should send in their applications swiftly.

Some believe the increase in college applications is linked to the weak economy.

“When the economy is tight, there’s more of an awareness of the importance of education,” said Jim Malloy, associate director of student financial services.

The current economic environment differs from just a decade ago when more Notre Dame families and students had more to contribute financially, Malloy said. However, even as the endowment has dropped, the University has kept financial aid as a priority.

“The ability of the school to say we meet the full financial aid of each student is a very solid foundation,” Malloy said.

Most students do not receive their financial aid packages until March or April, but in the meantime, the admissions office reviews applications with the goal of sending decisions by the first week of April.

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She said there is generally a 40 percent voter turnout and attributed the introduction of online voting to this year’s increased turnout of approximately 30 percent.

“I definitely heard a lot of good feedback from students,” she said.

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Letter to the Editor

Don't stand for pro-choice funding

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Economics department needs reform

As news of the proposal to divide the current economics department into two new departments has become public, genuine concerns from students are being expressed. In both departments faculty acknowledge that the University seeks to rectify persistent problems for many years. It is understandable why students are feeling anxious about the current situation, and it is just as understandable why those of us teaching in the economics department consider the proposal to divide the department as a necessary solution. 

At its core, the fundamental problems have been the long-standing and openly hostile treatment of economists whose teaching and research has been well-received by mainstream economists and the continuing attempt to portray mainstream economists as lacking the proper interest, perspectives, philosophies and techniques to address the important social justice issues the University consistently expresses the resolve to tackle. 

The first problem is more than simply unfortunate because the practice has denied many classes of opportunity to those who not only a former professional boxer, but also a poet and professional accordionist. As captain Shawn Newburg put it, "Any member," said coach and former captain, "is entitled to participate in the program whether they pay for their own equipment with their own funds or use the funds from the local religious institution." 

The second problem of portraying mainstream economists as uninterested or undedicated to problems of social justice is equally disturbing because it is clear that the economics department has been rebuffed by the majority. Those young men and women who are economics majors want to learn economics. Rather than supporting and objectively presenting mainstream economists into two new departments has created after graduation. The National Research Council (NRC) ranks departments in many disciplines every ten years. In 1993, the economics department ranking was 81 out of 108. Numerous other rankings convey a similar message: a university staking a claim on the most prestigious economics journal, The American Economic Review. In 2002 issues alone, you will find well-vetted mainstream techniques to the economists. If the guidance of the best coaches — Chicago attorney Terry Johnson and Columbus developer Tom Sudduth. Both are former Bengal coaches who have taken their time, as do the assistant coaches, including Pat Farrell, the University pilot. Judge Rolan Chambrel, a four-time Bengal coach, former cap­ tain Sean Rans ’98, Chip Exell ’98, and Mark Ericksen and Sweet C. Robinson. The head trainer, Jack Monney, a liv­ing icon who was admitted to 89 years old in 1993, was literally Kraut Robson’s paper boy and was smuggled by Rockne onto the sideline at some games. Jack is the main man, the one the former boxers ask for first when they come back. His assistant trainer, Jack Zimmerman, is not only a former professional boxer, as is Jack Monney, but also a poet and professional accordionist. 

The primary emphasis of the proposal is on safety, with EMTs present at all sparring, under the supervision of University physician, Dr. James Magill. 

The boxers sell ads and tickets and they pay for their own equipment with the profit from ticket sales. The contributions from the boxers to the missions have reached a new low. This is largely due to the acumen of the business managers who now are Laura Anderson and Mark Reynolds and the promotional efforts of the Women’s Boxing Club under co-pres­i­idents Laura Young and Shelley Skiba. So, apart from latent masochism, why do these allegedly smart guys enlist for this punishing regime? "Any member," said coach and former captain, "was entitled to participate in the program whether they pay for their own equipment with their own funds or use the funds from the local religious institution."
Interpol inters pretense, exhumes beauty

By BJ STREW
Scene Music Critic

Gettin’ rootsy with the Roots

By JULIE BENGER
Assistant Scene Editor

Dictionary as “the study of the conformation of the skull based on the belief that it is indicative of mental faculties and character.” Digging deep into the levels of intrigue that the fall from the speakers, the listener can actually feel the entrenched rhythms and grooves that underlie every track and thus characterize the album.

The album opens with a brief, spoken passage by Ursula Rucker, who personifies hip-hop, “In the beginning, there was me. I was rhythm. Life. Two turn tables, one microphone.” The smooth cello backdrop suddenly twangs and dives right into the punching beat of “Rock You,” a number defining what the songs to follow intend to do, “We will rock you.”

“Track three, aptly titled ‘!!!!!!!’ is a 24-second rage of screaming punk infiltration that bleeds into the clipped, pop-friendly, ‘Sacrifice.’ This track features Nelly Furtado on background vocals and makes the emotion is real.

For those who believe that the phrase “intelligent rap” is an oxymoron, one listen to the Roots latest album, Phrenology, is the answer needed for an attitude change. With their fifth studio album, a follow-up to the ubiquitous role of sex in society, “Every track and blends flawless­ly with brooding, plaintive energy. Reprised from a recent three-song EP, “PDA” and “NYC share more than three-letter titles with their abrasive lyrics sailing alongside relentless, deliberate percussion. By the end, Turn on the Bright Lights has proved itself an astonishing Gestalt that’s not without being monotonous. Its elegiac tenor lingers long after listening, as its sparse beauty avoids the lyrical paucity of “math rock.”

 interracial riffs, throwbacks to both the Pixies and The Smiths, they are arguably the standards here. Topping it off, the last track, “Leif Erikson,” closes with laconic lyrics sailing the sung lyrics provide a not-so-sub­tle sexual innuendo, “I don’t ask for much these days / and I don’t —— and whine if I don’t get my way / —- I push my seed in her bush for life.”

Some other excellent songs on the album are “Water,” which has a bouncing bass back drop with rhyming reminiscing about the early days of the group in Philadelphia, and “Passy Galore,” which has MC Black Thought quoting the Godfather of Soul, James Brown, “The world is a sex machine,” in a rant about the ubiquitous role of sex in society, “Every time I turn around it’s passy galore.” With its prophetic lyrics, smooth beats and organic rhythms, Phrenology is the definition of musical intelligence. Anyone who claims to be a fan of hip-hop should own this album. In fact, anyone who claims to be a fan of music should own this album. The Roots have provided just one more step in the natural maturation and progression of music. Who knew it could be so good?
**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Shania pops back ‘Up!’**

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN

Some Music Critic

With the release of her latest album, Up!, country music superstar Shania Twain offers a two-disc set of 19 radio-friendly tracks sure to score with her fans. Unfortunately, Shania does little more than that.

For 1997's Come On Over and even 1995's The Woman in Me. Yet Up! is one of the most charming recent country albums. One of the most innovative ideas on the album is the two-disc set: the green disc features boot-stomping country songs, while the red disc includes the exact same songs with what Shania calls an electric, rockier-edged sound. The fact that the two versions are nearly indistinguishable does nothing to refute critics who accuse Shania of achieving crossover success by abandoning her country roots. In most cases, the country version is superior, usually for the instrumentation.

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An example of the country song versus the pop/rock version is heard in "It Only Hurts When I'm Breathing," one of the best songs on both discs. The country version has gorgeous music from The Dublin Film Orchestra, as well as additional violin, mandolins and acoustic guitar. The pop version subtracts some instruments while adding percussion. The song flaunts Shania’s impressive vocal range when she sings, “My heart only breaks when it’s beating / My dreams only die when I’m dreaming / So, I hold my breath — to forget.”

There are plenty of Shania’s signature playful and upbeat songs, suitable for square dancing. "Nah!" has a better-off-without-him attitude and catchy shuffling beat. "In My Car (I’ll Be the Driver)" is another fun ride, even with words like: "Ah, it’s all right if you sleep with your socks on — Oh, baby! It’s okay!" The only true slow ballad reminiscent of Come On Over is the poignant "When You Kiss Me," which is better in its country form with the addition of the string orchestra.

Shania’s album is worth a listen, even if there is nothing new in her repertoire. Shania delivers what is expected of her, but doesn’t put her talent to use to reach beyond expectations.

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**Richey rises to a new sound**

By KATE WILLIAMS

Some Music Critic

"To me, rise means a gentle lift, like smoke rising. When you get so wrapped up in one perspective and rise above it all," said Kim Richey.

Kim Richey is currently on tour with the Indigo Girls to promote her new album, Rise.

Richey on the High Road Touring Website. And that is the message her new album, Rise, emphasizes in all its different aspects.

Richey started her career as a Nashville singer and songwriter, and has provided background vocals for artists from Ryan Adams to Mary Chapin Carpenter to Reba McEntire. She has provided background vocals for artists from 1997’s Come On Over and even 1995’s The Woman in Me. Yet Up! is one of the most charming recent country albums. One of the most innovative ideas on the album is the two-disc set: the green disc features boot-stomping country songs, while the red disc includes the exact same songs with what Shania calls an electric, rockier-edged sound. The fact that the two versions are nearly indistinguishable does nothing to refute critics who accuse Shania of achieving crossover success by abandoning her country roots.

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NHL

Hull scores 700th goal in 5-4 win over San Jose

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DETROIT — Brett Hull became the sixth NHL player to score 700 regular-season goals when he beat San Jose's Evgeni Nabokov with a wrist shot in the second period of Detroit's 5-4 win over San Jose Monday night.

"It's a great feeling," Hull said. "And I'm proud to do it for the Red Wings.

Only Wayne Gretzky, Mike Bossy, Gordie Howe, Brett Hull and Joe Malone have scored 700 goals in the NHL, but Hull did it in 1,286 games, 200 less than Gretzky.

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"I have nothing to lose," Sorenstam said. "It would be a challenge." Hull hit the trainer's job to take a guy with a lot of goals that if you go the way he's gone you don't really affect you, but I think it got to him and I was trying a little bit of everything," Hull said. "I had so many great chances and so many great opportunities, but I think the one final goal I went in.

"The milestone goal was a one-timer from the bottom of the left circle, after a cross-ice pass from Pavel Datsyuk."

"It's just a great pass from Pavel and I just smacked it by him five-hole," Hull said.

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**Courts must approve offer to buy Senators**

Associated Press

OTTAWA

Rod Bryden’s bid to buy back the Ottawa Senators was accepted by the team’s creditors but still must be approved by the court.

Bryden’s offer is believed to be worth more than $130 million, and he said Monday he was optimistic the court would agree to the deal. He said the sale will make the team debt free.

The Senators have been operating under bankruptcy court protection since Jan. 9. Their court-ordered protection from creditors was to have expired Tuesday.

Earlier Monday, the Senators received additional financing and an extension until April 17 on bankruptcy protection from creditors.

However, there was confusion in court over who would foot the bill to allow the Senators to keep playing and make a prescheduled payment to players Friday.

Creditors are owed more than $160 million and include the NHL, and major lenders CIBC and FleetBoston Financial Corp.

The deal is for the team only but is contingent on the sale of the Corel Centre to Bryden in a separate agreement.

“Were made very substantial progress and the time it’s taken has allowed us to produce what we think will be a very precise and complete agreement which we think the court will be satisfied with,” Bryden said.

However, the deal approved by creditors on Monday is only “the first of what will be a few steps to conclude the change in ownership of the hockey club,” he added.

Bryden said he is still dealing with Covanta Energy, a U.S. firm owed more than $210 million on the arena, to buy Covanta’s interest in the arena. Covanta is also in bankruptcy protection and its creditors are part of any sale.

Bryden said Covanta’s creditors could agree to the arena sale even before the Ottawa court approves the team’s sale.

Bryden first thought a decision on the offer would be made Jan. 24. He said the delays occurred because he wanted to ensure that proper steps were taken to give CIBC and FleetBoston the money they are owed.

Those steps require the sale of units in the team through a limited partnership, giving investors tax deductibles in exchange for shares in the club. Such a deal was killed by the banks in December.

The Senators received about $8.8 million from CIBC and FleetBoston on Jan. 9. On Monday, the team sought in court another $8.7 million in funds.

While lawyers for the two banks and the NHL agreed that the additional financing was necessary, the banks could not agree how much each should pay, or whether they should agree to the $8.8 million amount.

The parties will return to court Thursday if no agreement on the interim financing is made before then.

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Bryden said he has no other interest in acquiring other NHL franchises.
DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. had planned to beat everybody this month. He just hadn't figured on Jeff Green.

The unheralded Green, driving for Richard Childress Racing, the team for which the late Dale Earnhardt won six of his seven Winston Cup championships, beat Earnhardt Jr. for the Daytona 500 pole Monday — his seventh Winston Cup championship for Richard Childress.

Jeff Green. (Associated Press)

As much of a shock as Green's performance was to many people in the Winston Cup garage and Daytona International Speedway's grandstand, it came as no surprise to the driver.

"I really expected it," he said. "A lot of people, I think, looked at me like I had four eyes when I said that. But we didn't practice a whole lot Saturday. We knew we had a great race car." That confidence made Sunday's rainout of qualifying agonizing for Green.

"That was the longest day of my life," he said. "I kept telling everybody what a great car we had. I kept telling Michelle, my wife, how great the car was, and she was just shaking her head. "Now we've proved it.""The two drivers who came out top Monday were more than 6 mph faster than the next qualifier. It wasn't much of a shock to the driver.

"We've got some long-range plans at RCR," the car owner said. "Last year, we had some short-term sacrifices for long-term success."

Green, who won the Busch Series title in 2000, is starting his second full season with Childress. The 40-year-old driver, one of three racing brothers from Owensboro, Ky., said there is a new feeling around the team.

"Last year, we were just getting to the racetrack, not qualifying," Green said. "There's been a lot of work done in the last few months in our shop and the new Monte Carlo is a phenomenal car. Chevrolet gave us something this year we can deal with." And (new crew chief) Mike Beam really turned us around."

Chevrolets took the top four positions and six of the top eight.

Despite the qualifying results, Earnhardt and Waltrip remain the drivers to beat, having won six of the last eight races at Daytona and Talladega. NASCAR's biggest and fastest ovals.

"It's going to be tough to beat those guys," Green said. "But there are 40 other guys out there that you've got to beat, too — not just the DEI cars. My philosophy is to get in front of the [No. 8] Earnhardt car and let me push you all the way to the end."

"That's what I'm going to do. I'm going to block my butt off to keep him behind me. They've got a great combination, but I think RCR is right there with them now."

With the front row decided on Monday — 24 hours after rain prevented qualifying — the rest of the 43-car field will be filled Thursday.

Under the unique qualifying format for the 500, positions 3 through 30 are determined in twin 125-mile qualifying races, with 14 coming out of each race. Positions 31-36 go to the fastest drivers Monday who haven't already qualified. The rest of the lineup is filled by provisional starters, based on last year's car-owner points.

Series champion Tony Stewart blew his engine on his first of two qualifying laps and failed to post a time.

He will start no worse than 37th, on car-owner points, but will try to improve on that Thursday.
**MLB**

**Phillies avoid arbitration by signing Adams**

Associated Press

**PHILADELPHIA**

Right-hander Terry Adams avoided arbitration by signing a one-year, $2.9 million deal with the Philadelphia Phillies on Monday.

Adams was 7-9 with a 4.35 ERA in 46 appearances in his first season with the Phillies last year. He began the season as a starter, before moving to the bullpen, where he had spent most of his eight-year career.

"It was great to have Terry decide to come back to us after filing for free agency," Phillies general manager Ed Wade said. "He's our Type B free agent, and we think he'll be a valuable addition to our bullpen in 2003.

The Phillies also signed left-handed reliever Hector Padilla, minor league right-hander Eric Junge and minor league outfielder Jorge Padilla.

Philadelphia avoided arbitration with 30 players, including 26 pitchers and three catchers.

Padilla, signed on Jan. 17, is coming off a career-high 12 games with the Triple-A Coca-Cola Field. Padilla, 22, was 2-2 with a 4.62 ERA in 31 appearances, including three starts.

Padilla was Philadelphia's only significant offseason acquisition. The Phillies signed right-hander Al Leiter on Jan. 15. He is coming off a 14-11, 3.93 ERA season with the Miami Marlins.

Adams was Philadelphia's only significant offseason acquisition last year after winning a career-high 12 games with the Los Angeles Dodgers in 2001. He signed an incentive-laden one-year, $2.7 million, one-year contract in the minors.

Adams had success as a reliever, posting a 2.38 ERA in 27 appearances, including an 0.91 ERA in his last 16 games. He'll join closer Jose Mesa, right-hander Turk Wendell and left-handers Rheal Cormier and Dan Plesac in Philadelphia's veteran bullpen.

The Phillies have no more players eligible for arbitration. Right-hander Kevin Millwood, acquired from the Atlanta Braves in December, signed a $9.9 million, one-year contract on Jan. 17. Second baseman Placido Polanco, acquired from the St. Louis Cardinals last July, signed a one-year contract worth $2,875,000 on Jan. 30.

Philadelphia has been the most aggressive team in the majors this offseason, signing first baseman Jim Thome, third baseman David Bell, acquiring Millwood and extended the contracts of left fielder Pat Burrell and right-hander Randy Wolf.

Once considered among the most frugal teams in baseball, the Phillies have committed almost $185 million this offseason to Thome, Millwood, Burrell, Bell and Wolf.

The Phillies open their most anticipated training camp in almost a decade on Friday when pitchers and catchers report.

The first full-squad workout is scheduled for Feb. 19.

**Philadelphia pitcher Terry Adams talks with catcher Mike Lieberthal in a game last year against the New York Mets. Adams signed a one year, $2.9 million deal Monday.**

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**Summer Employment**

The Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC), at Saint Mary’s College and Notre Dame, is seeking individuals to work in the 2003 summer day camp program, June 5 through August 1 and August 11-21.

If you are 18 years or older, enjoy children, and have experiences with preschool and/or primary children ages 5-10, please contact one of the numbers below for further information and an application.

- Early Childhood Development Center, Inc.
  - 284-4693 (ECDC-SMC)
  - 631-3344 (ECDC-ND)

**MLB**

**Expos sign El Duque**

Associated Press

**MONTREAL**

Orlando Hernandez and the Montreal Expos agreed Monday to a one-year contract worth $4.1 million.

El Duque, acquired from the New York Yankees on Jan. 15, had asked for a raise from $3.2 million to $4.5 million in salary arbitration. Montreal had offered $4 million.

In addition to his salary, the 37-year-old right-hander can make $200,000 in performance bonuses.

Hernandez struggled with injuries last year, going 8-5 with a 3.64 ERA and one save in 22 starts and two relief appearances for New York. He has a 53-38 major league record following his defection from Cuba and is 9-3 in the postseason.

He would make bonuses of $20,000 each for 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 starts, and for 160, 173, 190, 200 and 210 innings.

Montreal previously settled its arbitration cases with shortstop Orlando Cabrera and left-hander Joey Etcheverry.

Right-hander Javier Vazquez is the only Expos player remaining in arbitration. He has asked for a raise from $4,775,000 to $7.15 million, while Montreal has offered $6 million.
WHAT ARE YOU CALLED TO DO?
CAREERS AS VOCATIONS: ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING

Sunday, February 16th, 4:00 - 6:00 PM at the Center for Social Concerns

A panel presentation with:
Adam Alessio ‘98, High School Teacher, Graduate Student Electrical Engineering
Maureen Neville ‘00, Habitat for Humanity in Puerto Rico, Environmental Engineer with CDM
Leroy Troyer ’71, President and Founder of the Troyer Group, Architect

Pizza will be served.

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Hispanic Leadership Intern Program (HLIP) applications available at the CSC. An eight-week long summer internship. Interns exposed to and experience Latino communities in metropolitan Chicago where they serve as leader and student of the community.
Applications due TOMORROW, February 12th

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Deadline!
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Turn in your application and sign up for your 1st interview!

Faculty Opportunities
The CSC is offering course development grants to faculty members for the development of new community-based learning courses ($2000) and for the incorporation of community-based research assignments ($500). Courses are intended to involve students in community service, community-based research, or in learning from and within the local community (or elsewhere, if trips are planned) in other ways. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis; applications are due April 15. Additional information can be found on the Center website: http://centerforsocialconcerns.nd.edu (Go to faculty opportunities and then faculty programs), or by contacting Mary Beckman (beckman.9@nd.edu, 631-4172). We are looking particularly this year for individuals who would like to:
- create an assignment in which students help to document economic rights violations as part of the national Poor People’s Movement, and
- develop courses that address issues related to housing.

Questions on the above opportunities?
Please email cscvols@nd.edu.

Junior Parents Weekend
Open House!
Open house for Juniors & their families.
Saturday, February 15th
Stop by anytime between 2:30-4:30 PM!

Directors of various CSC programs will be present.

Our greatest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, which frightens us. We ask ourselves, "Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, handsome, talented and fabulous?" Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God; your playing small does not serve the world. There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We were born to make manifest the glory of God within us. It is not just in some, it is in everyone. Moreover, as we let our light shine, we consciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

- Nelson Mandela’s Inaugural Speech
The New York Rangers added another high-priced All-Star to their struggling lineup, acquir­ ing high-scoring forward Alexei Kovalev from the cash-strapped Pittsburgh Penguins in an eight­ player trade Monday.

The Rangers got one of the elite players in the league and a world-class offensive talent, while the Penguins got four guys who will probably be fringe players for them, plus somewhere in the neighborhood of $4 million. That exchange of players combined with the fact that Pittsburgh also got rid of the salaries of Jamie Laukkanen and Mike Wilson says a lot about the motives and current economic status of the Penguins. On the ice, Kovalev is going to help New York's power play and defensively increase its 5-on-5 scoring. He is a player that opponents are afraid of and will always be up against the opponents’ top checker, centerman and defensive pairing, and that will free up room for a lot of other guys.

But the Rangers still have other issues to address. They got a great scorer and did not give up a top-six forward from their roster, but New York has some serious holes in the defense, has a poor penalty-kill unit and has to find a way to keep the puck out of the net. Kovalev is not the one missing that piece that is going to get New York into the playoffs. The Rangers have an NHL-high payroll over $70 million, are desperate to make the play­ offs for the first time since 1997. The Penguins sent Kovalev, their second-leading scorer, forward Dan LaCouture, and defensemen Jamie Laukkanen and Mike Wilson to the strug­ gling Rangers for forwards Rico Fata and Mikael Samuelsson, defensemen Richard Lintner and Joel Bouchard, and what is believed to be $4 million in cash.

The financially troubled Penguins said recently that any deal involving Kovalev would require a $4 million payment — the most allowed by the NHL. "I don’t think it’s a salary dump, but I think it’s a trade," Rangers general manager-coach Bob Sather said of the deal, three weeks in the making.

Kovalev has 27 goals and 37 assists this season and was cov­ ered by many teams. New York is in 11th place in the Eastern Conference and trails in the race for the final playoff spot by six points despite its league-high payroll.

Dollars mastered most to Pittsburgh, Kovalev, who will turn 30 later this month, turned down an estimated $30 million offer before the season started, apparently because he wants a deal in the $8 million a year range. He is earning $4.6 mil­ lion this year.

"It’s a trade I don’t think many teams would turn down," Sather said. "We were fortunate to be there at the right time." The right wing is eligible for arbitration after this season and an award in that price range wouldn’t fit into the Penguins’ $32 million payroll.

Penguins owner and player Mario Lemieux expects the team to lose money this year.
TEXAS ended the losing streak.

Texas coach Rick Barnes' five-ment and an overtime loss in the Big 12 tournament and an overtime loss in Austin last season.

Hollis Price scored 23 points for Oklahoma (16-4, 7-2), which dropped out of a tie for 11, well below his 20.6 average.

Warrell and Dusay each had 12 points for Syracuse, which finished with a 41-38 rebounding advantage, including 21-11 on the offensive end.

The Huskies (15-5, 6-3 Big East) won their second straight game since losing two in a row by more than 20 points. They improved to 2-1 without coach Jim Calhoun, who was released from the hospital Sunday, three days after having surgery to remove a cancerous prostate. They also won their second game without starting point guard Taliek Brown, who will be out four-to-six weeks with a broken finger.

Freshman Carmelo Anthony matched his career high with 29 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for the Orangemen (16-4, 7-3), who had won three straight and five of six.

Connecticut spread its offense out, as seven of its eight players scored at least seven points. Meanwhile, Syracuse was pretty much limited to converting offensive rebounds for points.

The Orangemen, who entered the game third in the nation in scoring (81.1) and second in field goal percentage (48.8), were 20-for-67 from the field (29.9 percent), including 8-for-37 in the second half. Syracuse's first 17 points of the second half came on free throws, and its first field goal was accidentally put in by Okafor as he tried to grab a rebound.

The first field goal for the Orangemen came on an alley-oop to Hakim Warrick with 11:05 to play and it pulled them to 50-44.

They got to 50-46 just over a minute later on a layup by Kenyon Dusay, but the Huskies went on a 13-5 run that featured a short jumper by Ben Gordon, the first field goal of the half for the Huskies' leading scorer.

Rashad Anderson had 13 points for Connecticut, which had lost three of its last four against Syracuse, while Gordon had 11.
The Arizona Wildcats, led by coach Lute Olsen, returned to No. 1 in the Associated Press poll this week. This is the Wildcats’ third trip to the top spot this season.

Wildcats reclaim top spot in AP poll

Associated Press

Arizona moved atop the AP men’s college basketball poll Monday for the third time this season, while former No. 1 Alabama dropped out of the Top 25.

In a season in which there has not been a clear-cut No. 1, the Wildcats (18-2) moved up one place to retake the top spot they held in the preseason poll, the first five weeks of the regular season, and for another two weeks after that.

Louisiana (18-1) moved up three spots to second. The Cardinals have the nation’s longest winning streak at 17 games.

Kentucky (18-3) also moved up three spots to third.

Florida (19-3), which moved into the No. 1 spot last week for the first time in school history, dropped to fourth following a 70-55 loss to Kentucky.

Alabama (13-7) has lost five of its last six games and dropped out from No. 22. The Crimson Tide, ranked No. 4 for the first time in school history six weeks ago, became the first team to fall from the rankings after being No. 1 since Indiana and Duke both did it in 1979-80, when there was a Top 20.

Arizona received 37 first-place votes and 1,753 points from the national media panel after victories over Washington and Kentucky are in the top five for the first time since Dec. 15, 1981, when Kentucky was No. 2 and Louisville No. 3.

Fourth-ranked Florida (19-3) received two first-place votes after rebounding from the loss to Kentucky with a win over Alabama.

Oklahoma (16-3) had the only other No. 1 vote and moved from seventh to fifth.

The Sooners were followed in the top ten by Texas, Pittsburgh, Duke, Kansas and Notre Dame.

Five teams in last week’s Top 10 lost six games No. 8 Maryland lost twice while Top 25 teams lost a total of 15 games.

In Brief

Ferguson hired as Seahawks new GM

Bob Ferguson was hired as the Seattle Seahawks general manager Monday, taking over for Mike Holmgren who relinquished the job to concentrate solely on coaching the team.

Ferguson, 51, has spent 29 years in the NFL, including the last seven with the Arizona Cardinals. He became the Arizona general manager in 1999 but was fired last month after the 5-11 Cardinals completed their season with a 37-7 loss at Denver. It was their ninth defeat in 10 games.

Before joining the Cardinals’ front office in 1996, Ferguson spent 11 seasons in Buffalo and Denver, during which time those teams went to six Super Bowls.

He joined Buffalo in 1985 and was promoted to assistant general manager-director of pro personnel in 1989. The Bills won four consecutive AFC titles from 1990-93.

After his time in Buffalo, Ferguson became the director of player personnel for the Broncos from 1993-95. Before joining the Bills, Ferguson handled performance testing for the Dallas Cowboys from 1984-85.

Former Georgia Tech coach dies

John "Wacko" Hyder, the second winningest basketball coach at Georgia Tech, died Sunday. He was 90.

Hyder won 292 games with Georgia Tech between 1959-71. Hyder led Georgia Tech to its first NCAA, a victory total surpassed only by Bobby Cremins. Tournament appearance in 1960 and also took the Yellow Jackets to the NIT twice. Hyder coached Tech’s first two all-America players in Roger Kaiser and Rich Yunkus and was twice chosen as Southeastern Conference coach of the year.

Hyder’s most famous victory was Jan. 8, 1955, when Tech snapped Kentucky’s 129-game home winning streak with a 59-58 win.

Burf travels to Augusta

Martha Burk made her first visit to Augusta to scout possible protest sites near Augusta National Golf Club for The Masters.

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The Notre Dame women took their first step in post-season championship competition by winning the MCAA Divisional Championships in both slalom and giant slalom this weekend at Crystal Mountain, Seattle. The women, who shone brightly on the men's squad as Mike Ryan dominated, are the first to win since the Irish from 1999. The spotlight also shone brightly on the men's squad to claim third in the slalom.

In women's slalom, Leah Heffring, Molly Munsterer, and Mary Ryan took first, second, and fourth to beat the men's squad to claim third in the slalom. The Irish host Virginia, Rutgers and Northwestern to ovetime defeat, the Irish forced to start to finish in both contests and for long periods actually marked improvement in skating. The road doesn't get much easier for the Irish—has a chance to do it again.

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WHY IS IT THAT THE BEST PRODUCE
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JUST FOR DECORATION?

CLARE O'BRIEN

WE ALWAYS THOUGHT YOU
PREPARED APPLES WITH
HALF OF INCH ON THEM.

JACK MONAHAN

Happy Town

Man, Junior Parents Week­
end. How lame. A bunch of
lemea-stories of 'back in
the day' and what ND was
like when they were here.
Fan-frakkin'-tastic.

They'd like to come and get
chummy, trying not to let
on that they have nothing in
common. I have nothing in
common with my parents.

Jackie, Junior Parents Week­
end. Nothing in common?
You spend all of today with
people with no common
bone because they're too tight.

nothing in common? You
beck in the past.

Saturday's Jumbles

Enclosed is $55 for one semester
I Enclosed is $100 for one academic year

Any of these matters are personal or of a legal nature. You will learn a lot about
yourself from the experience. * * * *

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):
Your tendency will be to take on more than you
your budget will allow. Consider
joining a group that deals with self-awareness. * *

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):
Someone you know is withholding information.
You should talk—after they breakfast or whatever.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):
Don't let confusion get the better of you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):
You can discover all sorts of new information if
you are open to discuss topics that you may have shied away from in the past.

ARIES (March 21-April 19):
You have a good understanding of what's required and what
will work, and your leadership ability will be recognized. ***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):
You've got what it takes this year to be successful. You will

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):
Don't let what others do annoy you. Changes
suggested by the above cartoon.

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MENS BASKETBALL

Big East season title still top goal for Irish

By ANDREW SOUKUP

Although the Irish lost a spot to No. 9 in the coaches’ poll — they stayed at No. 10 in the media poll — the only ranking that matters now is the RPI figure used to evaluate a team based on its record and schedule strength. Notre Dame is currently ranked eighth in the RPI standings, which the NCAA Committee uses to help determine seeding come March.

The most impressive on Notre Dame’s RPI resume is the number of wins over Top 50 RPI foes. This season, the Irish knocked off No. 2 Texas, No. 17 Marquette, No. 20 Pittsburgh and No. 32 Maryland. Notre Dame’s four losses came to Pittsburgh, Creighton, Kentucky and Seton Hall — all ranked in the top 50 in the RPI.

If the tournament were held today, ESPN.com bracketologist Joe Lunardi predicts Notre Dame would be a No. 2 seed playing in Indianapolis. Since last year, the NCAA tends to place highly-seeded teams close to home. The higher the seed, the greater the chance a team could play within commuting distance.

For Brey, all the tournament talk is exciting to hear. But he sees BBALL/page 22

FENCING

Irish bring out brooms with sweep at Duke

By MATT LOZAR

When the national championships roll around in less than six weeks, the team with the highest combined score wins the title. At the Duke Duals this past weekend, the Irish showed a resilient team attitude with the men’s epee squad an 9-0 while the women’s were 6-1.

"It was excellent. The whole team did a wonderful job," junior epeeist Kerry Walton said. "We were a little disappointed that the men and women weren’t fencing on the same day. We didn’t get to cheer each other on as much as we could, but when the whole team was together, it was great."

While all of the wins by Notre Dame’s mens’s team were by at least nine points, the individual weapons had to pick each other up in two of those victories. Against Air Force, the epee and sabre squads each went 5-4, but the foil squad created some cushion with an 8-1 record.

In the matchup with Stanford, the epee squad was 9-0 while the sabre squad was 7-2. This time, those two weapons helped the foil squad, which went 3-6 in a tough matchup against 2001 NCAA Champion Iris Zimmerman. The total team effort comes from Notre Dame’s overall team depth. "We can all back each other up. I think we have the strongest team overall," Walton said. "There are some teams that excel in one weapon. I feel we have the strongest overall team. The other two teams can pick up the extra wins when the other weapon faces a tough opponent."

Notre Dame sophomore and defending national champion Alec Kryczalo surprising dropped two bouts this weekend. Kryczalo, who lost only twice last season, has a record of 36-3 this year. The mens side, senior foil captain Owen Debic continued his dominating season with a perfect 15-0 record at Duke. Debic is now 42-1 on the season and on pace for one of the best seasons in Notre Dame fencing history.

"We fenced really well. We proved we can go in there and sweep the tournament and have a strong showing at the NCAA’s," sophomore foilist Derek Snyder said. "He has beaten some really strong people this year. Our foil team is really prepared for NCAA’s this year."

Against the sixth-ranked Cardinal, the Irish cruised to victory by getting six wins at each weapon for an 18-9 win. "Ours is fencing amazing," Snyder said. "We proved we can go in there and sweep the tournament and have a strong showing at NCAA’s."

With the new national rankings scheduled to be released later this week, wins over No. 4 Ohio State, No. 1 Penn State and No. 6 Stanford all but guarantee the Notre Dame mens team will take over the top spot in the polls for the third consecutive year.

The five victories extend the mens dual match-winning streak to 78.

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CLUB SPORTS

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