State senate passes resolution to improve US 31

By MEGHAN MARTIN
News Writer

A concurrent resolution to recommend federal funding for a proposal that a corridor of U.S. Route 31 be revamped and upgraded to expressway status passed unanimously through the Indiana state legislature March 26.

The resolution, authored by Republican state senator and Notre Dame alumnus Joe Zakas from Granger, proposes that the Indiana state legislature urge the state's Congressional delegation in request federal funding for U.S. 31 from TEA-21, an upcoming package of bills that provides funding to highway projects around the nation.

U.S. 31 runs directly through the cities of South Bend and nearby Niles, Mich., and provides a direct link between northern Indiana and Indianapolis, the state capital. At present, it is little more than a four-lane road that bears a traffic load much larger than it can realistically handle, Zakas said.

"There's a a strong feeling in Saint Joseph County and Elkhart County that this project is long overdue," Zakas said, citing the fact that the road provides the primary link between the state's two largest economic markets.

The roadway in its current condition, Zakas said, is notorious for its inefficiency and traffic problems. Plans for improvement include modeling it into a limited-access, interstate-quality highway, a proposal that he said has garnered a great deal of support.

"The main thing about this resolution is that it was intended to show Congress that there's a lot of support in the state of Indiana," he said.

Twelve state senators, representing each of the districts along the proposed corridor, cosponsored Zakas' resolution, which was then sponsored by Speaker Pat Bauer, from South Bend, in the state's House of Representatives.

Such support is significant, Zakas said, because it shows the state's federal representatives—Congressmen, senators and Governor Frank O'Bannon—that the proposed improvements to U.S. 31 are a top priority among state legislators and the citizens they represent.

"There's a lot of competition for road-building dollars," he said.

In an Indiana Department of Transportation study conducted on the impact of the U.S. 31 proposal, it was projected that an improved roadway would create an economic boom along its corridor and create new job opportunities for the community.

"The economic impact of a U.S. 31 freeway has been projected to create over 5000 jobs, save billions of dollars in travel time reductions and return $3.20 in benefits for each $1.00 spent to build it," the resolution says.

A March 25 news release announcing the passage of Zakas' resolution in the state senate said that the population along the corridor is growing at a rate that is 50 percent higher than that of the rest of the state.

Travel on U.S. 31 is projected to increase by 59 percent in 20 years, with traffic in some segments growing by 100 percent, the release stated.

Dennis Faulkenberg, executive director of the U.S. 31 Coalition, Inc., a lobbying group composed of business owners, agricultural interests and the Indiana Department of Transportation, said the proposal is "a win-win proposal" that will benefit the entire state.

"The economic impact is tremendous," Faulkenberg said. "It will create jobs, save dollars, and improve the quality of life for everyone who uses the road."
inside column

Riding in the fast lane

A blue 1989 Buick and three younger cars pulled out of campus in a caravan to Ball State University for the Indiana Collegiate Press Association Conference.

Friday afternoon.

Myself and three other Saint Mary's women filled the backseat of the Buick and Diners drove the other three cars. With the four drivers playing yo-yo on the two-lane road, the caravan did not last long. Soon on the road alone, we kept in contact through our cell phones.

"Ummm we're on 69. Where are you?"

"Pause."

"Oh, ok well we had to stop for gas," the driver explained, as she raised her eyebrows and accelerated to catch up.

Entering Muncie, we were coming in second, until a shiny black car passed us on our right, three boys waving their hands in delight at their accomplishment.

The two-lane road merged into one and we were stuck in a no passing zone. As soon as the solid yellow line became dotted, my driver pulled into the oncoming lane and passed the shiny black car, going 30 over the speed limit. We waved our hands in celebration.

Strapped into the backseat, my mother's words, "Make sure the person you ride with drives safely," went through my head.

As the road became two lanes again and a light stopped us, the three Diners pulled alongside our car; we shot them intimidating glances and revved up the engine.

The light turned green and the Buick picked up, leaving the shiny black car putzing behind.

Zooming through the green light, we crossed more than a white line, we crossed into the territory of the other Saint Mary's women pulling into the restaurant's lot first.

That night we went out to eat and got directions to the restaurant from the hotel clerk. I told the lead driver, "Turn left at the first stop light and then right at the next and it should be about two miles down the road."

This time the 1989 Buick was bringing up the rear of the caravan. Following the cars ahead, we did not turn at the first stoplight and turned right at a light several miles down the road. We thought they could find a better way than what I had told them.

We ended up lost and having to turn around. As the two cars in front turned left onto a road to drive down and turn around, the Buick pulled U-turns and we sped away, pulling into the restaurant's lot first.

Not only were we hard to keep up with but we weren't any good following either. Saint Mary's women are fast — or is it that Diners are slow?

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Two student vehicles were towed for parking violations on April 11.

Missing bike found
A bike that was reported missing from outside the Stadium was recovered by the bike's owner.

Employee injured
NISP escorted a University employee from South Dining Hall to the University Medical Center on April 11 for treatment of an injury.

Two car accident reported
NISP responded to a two-car accident on Angola Boulevard on April 11. There were no injuries reported.

---compiled from the NISP crime blaster

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WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Baked linguine, shell's, tri-color rotini, meat sauce, marinara sauce, breaded cheese sticks, pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, vegetable pizza, tomato soup, cream of broccoli soup, minestrone soup, whipped potatoes, corn, oriental vegetables, baked potato, chicken, pastrami, falafel, saffron rice, marinated cucumber salad, buttered noodles, light tomato sauce, parmesan muffins, sweet and sour chicken served with sticky rice, pork cutlet, patty melf, garden vegetable patty, battered onion rings, mintery turkey, flat bread sandwich, potato chips, fresh green beans, cheese pizza, bread sticks.

South Dining Hall
Today's Lunch: Pasta shells primavera, baked fettuccine, gorgonzola sauce, French bread pizza, whipped potatoes, corn, turkey gravy, baked chicken, roasted vegetables, spinach, chicken, chicken, chicken sandwiches, karate rolls, jambalaya, chicken, potatoes, pasta salad, cheese pizza, fried rice, chicken, chicken, chicken, chicken, chicken, chicken.

THE OBSERVER ✡ WHAT'S UP

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Alumnae discuss job options

By LAUREN O'BRIEN
News Writer

Saint Mary's alumnae visited campus Saturday morning to speak with students about life after college.

Pat Pierce, chair of the Political Science department, organized the Political Science Power Lunch to give students the opportunity to hear about the experiences of notable alumnae, as well as to discuss potential career paths.

Della Garcia, a 1993 alum, attended the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and is the former Executive Director of the Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Laura Boeckman, a 1988 alum, is the former Executive Director of the Arzoxifene Global Product Team, part of Eli Lilly and Company. While the four alumnae were all Political Science majors, each pursued different career paths, ranging from law to business.

Kahn spoke of key skills acquired in the major, such as critical thinking, communication skills, and the ability to distill information. "As a Political Science major, you are learning transferable skills," Garcia said. "Wherever you have people, you have policies."

Each of the four women spoke about their experiences after graduating. A common thread was the emphasis on the value of a Saint Mary's education. The alumnae said they did not realize the value of a Political Science degree until after they actually had the opportunity to use it.

"I think the reason I thought I would be successful was because my professors believed in me and I didn't know any better," Kahn said.

Another common link was the importance of taking time off before getting a job or going to graduate school or law school. Boeckman took advantage of an opportunity to teach English in Japan for a year before attending law school and earning her Masters in public administration at Indiana University.

"Having life experience and then going back to school makes it a much richer experience," Boeckman said. "So seize opportunities that make you a more well-rounded person."

During a question and answer session that followed the presentation, the panel underscored the willingness of alumnae networks to assist Saint Mary's graduates in searching for a job.

One message that the panel highlighted is that experience is more important than your major or your GPA. Experience is particularly important in the interview process to make connections with possible employers and to present a more comprehensive picture of yourself.

"You are more than your resume, more than your academic credentials and more than your personal and family relations," O'Connor said. "You are what you do and how you do it."

The Power Lunch was the culmination of a week of alumni visits to the college. Alumnae said they did not realize the importance of alumnae networking.

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Footman states The Waile and all I get was this Singo T-shirt

U-WIRE

College paper claims victory with district court ruling

By MARK BIEGANSKI
Northern Star

In a victory for public college and university newspapers, the University's student newspaper, decided that administrators cannot censor student-run newspapers. The case arose in 2001 when editors of the Innovator, the Saint Mary's student newspaper, decided to use the dean of student affairs Patricia Carter for censoring the newspaper.

The decision, which wasn't expected until mid-summer, doesn't support the state of Illinois' request to apply a ruling in a similar case involving high school publications.

In 1988, the United States Supreme Court granted administrations in the Hazelwood School District authority to review and censor high school-sponsored newspapers. The state of Illinois was looking for this decision to be applied to public college and university students, but has been unsuccessful so far.

"It's a wonderful victory," said Mike Hiestand, attorney for the Student Press Law Center. "It could have been a devastating defeat, but luckily it went the other way."

He said throughout the case, there was a feeling that the law would be on students' side. Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center, said in a press release he hopes this decision reaffirms the last 30 years of court censorship cases.

"We hope that this ruling will dissuade once and for all for college officials who are inclined to censor from engaging in that unconstitutional behavior," Goodman said.

In its ruling, the Court said, "Hazelwood's rationale for limiting the First Amendment rights of high school journalism students is not a good fit or students at colleges or universities." The decision went on to state that the differences between college and high school newspapers are far greater than differences in curriculum and extracurriculars.

Carter, who looked for qualified immunity in the case, was denied. The court denied her request on the notion that if her action to censor the Innovator is true, then "she violated clear rights of which she should have been aware."

"I think the decision reflects that there was no uncertainty in their mind and what school officials at Governors State did was wrong," Hiestand said.

He said that the case is not over because it could carry on in trial courts if it continues to be pursued.

"Other courts that are faced with this question are going to look at this decision," Hiestand said.

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Alumni hall residents Patrick Burke, left, and Matt Bennett at the Alumni Wake this weekend.

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that the Office of Student Activities received informa-
tion about an alleged inci-
dent in which Rainey and
another male were involved,
and left Rainey's gender
injured.
According to an e-mail from Bailey, charges were
never filed against Mr.
Rainey by either his girl-
friends or the unnamed male.
Charges were brought by the
Los Angeles District
Attorney's Office. After
pleading 'no contest' to one
count of corporal injury to a
spouse or cohabitant.
Dorbish said that when SAB
decided to bring Rainey to
campus she was aware that
he had spent time in prison,
but she does not know
whether or not everyone on
the Board was aware of
Rainey's past.
However, the decision to
postpone Rainey's visit was
not made by SAB but by the
Office of Student Activities,
after discussing the matter
with College administrators.
According to Bailey's e-
mail there were two deciding
criteria that influenced her
visit, one of which dealt with
the image of the College and
the other with the content of
Rainey's presentation.
In the e-mail Bailey cited
the liguitation in which the
College is involved with
because of the report
released about a year ago by
the Department of Education,
which has caused the
College's image to "come
under close scrutiny."
"In lieu of the information
[however it is complete] we
received, and the potential
counter-responsibility Mr.
Rainey's visit generated, we
were allowing the show to con-
tinue as scheduled could possi-
bly bring about negative
repercussions that could
damage the image of Saint
Mary's College," Bailey's e-
mail said.
However, Rainey's image
and past behaviors was dis-
counting to several students
at Saint Mary's and one
student, senior Jill
Maxbauer, was organizing a
protest for Wednesday.
Last week Maxbauer sent an
e-mail to students expressing
her concern about Rainey's visit and to organize
students who felt the same
way as she did.
"I was amazed at how many
responses I got about this
visit." she said. "Rainey
added that she received 35
e-mails and 10 phone mes-
sages in support of the pro-
posed protest.
Maxbauer said that she
did not understand why
Rainey was invited to Saint
Mary's. In consideration of
his past behavior.
However, Maxbauer said that she was surprised when
it was announced that
Rainey's presentation had
been postponed.
"I still believe that [Kotiar]
believes "no contest" to one
charge and pleading 'yes'
was the best thing for her,
"Kotiar's attorney, Karen
Rainey's presentation.
However, according to
Dorbish "the administration
never said that [Rainey]
could never come on "cAMPUS NEWS"
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pated ... they were excited to
see a real and different dance
form which they tried to learn
and were happy to see a
different style of celebration;" Mulik said.
Holli was much different as it
was celebrated outdoors and
even though the event coincided
with the Fisher Regatta, "there
were still a considerable number
of non-Indian participants,
which is also one of our goals," said Kohli.
Danielle Noujaim a freshman
said, "I thought Holli was just
total chaos and the total fun! I
thought it was incredibly how
different cultures celebrate
events.
Another difference was that
Holli was one of the associa-
tion's main events of the
semester and it plans on ending
the year with another Indian
Dance Night on April 18.
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was a lot of objection towards hold-
ing this event but with the sup-
port of other organizations on
campus we were able to obtain
permission for the universities
to promote diversity and
they want cultural events on
campus but because a lot of
these events have traditions that
do not apply to the rules already
created, the authorities are often
hesitant but they try to accom-
modate as much as possible," said Kohli.
The Indian Association
was also responsible for a free tele-
cast of the cricket world cup and
for organizing events such as
Indian Dance Nights.
"The attempt is to make
Indians feel as close to home as
possible while, giving back to the
Notre Dame Saint Mary's community by let-
ting people know who we are.", said Rohit Bhayana,
President of the Indian Association.
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Bush warns Syria about aid to Iraq, chemical weapons

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WASHINGTON
President Bush warned Syria on Sunday that if it sent aid and charged that Damascus has chemical weapons, but was careful not to threaten military action.

"They just need to cooperate," Bush said.

Bush sought to strike the kind of measured tone he has used when discussing the war against Iraq because of potential implications for the region, and he warned that the United States will not send military equipment to Syria.

"I believe we are conducting continuous dialogue with the American officials," Stern said.

Bush performed an about-face on Saturday when he rejected a United Nations Security Council resolution that would have imposed economic sanctions on Syria, saying the United States was not yet ready.

"Poor countries are facing huge rich country barriers in exports that play the best to their comparative advantage — namely agricultural goods and textiles."
U-WIRE

Penn State: guilty of discrimination

By ABBY HEISEY
The Daily Collegian


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WASHINGTON
U.S. troops are within striking distance of Iraq's last big oil field, and sabotage at oil wells and facilities elsewhere appears minimal. But even this good news won't lessen the challenge ahead for oil experts planning to revive the country's most important industry. Political disputes, legal issues and the need for billions of dollars in investment are among the hurdles Iraq must pass before it can restore crude output even to 1990 levels, much less increase it beyond that.

Iraq has the world's second-largest proven crude reserves, at 112 billion barrels, but its pipelines, pumping stations and oil reservoirs have suffered for years from a dearth of funds and lack of maintenance.

U.N. economic sanctions imposed after the 1991 Gulf War forced engineers of the Iraqi National Oil Co. to cannibalize parts and equipment and develop outdated technologies to keep the crude flowing.

Some people, including many in the Bush administration, suggest that Iraq's oil reserves make it a potentially rich country and that it should be able to pay for its own reconstruction by selling crude.

"The reality is that to get the oil out of the ground is going to require major upfront investment, and companies aren't going to do that as an act of charity," said Baad Alkadiri, an analyst at The Petroleum Finance Co., a Washington consulting firm.

Alkadiri estimates that Iraq will need to invest $3 billion to $6 billion over two years just to repair its facilities and nudge output up to 3.5 million barrels a day. Hampered by economic sanctions imposed after the last Gulf War, Iraq's capacity has fallen from 3.5 million barrels a day to 2.6 million barrels a day. Output essentially stopped with the start of the war.

With the collapse of the Iraqi government, U.S. officials are moving swiftly to install a transitional authority to manage the oil industry before eventually turning the business over to the Iraqis themselves.

Military planners and oil analysts estimate it could take one to three months before Iraq can resume exporting large quantities of crude.

Small amounts of oil from Iraq's northern fields even during fighting around the regional oil center of Kirkuk. That city's seizure by Kurdish fighters on Thursday brought Kurds and Americans to the edge of Iraq's giant Kirkuk oil field, and the facilities there appeared to be intact. Kirkuk pumps as much as 900,000 barrels a day.

In southern Iraq, the immediate task for Americans and British forces is to ensure that oil fields are cleared of any booby-traps and made safe.

Engineers will need to repair well heads damaged by retreating Iraqis and "shut in" non-producing oil wells to prevent ruptures in oil shafts and to maintain pressure in the underground reservoirs. Plants that separate oil and gas are largely intact, and the limited damage to southern pipelines can be easily repaired, said Jim Placke, an Iraq specialist at Cambridge Energy Research Associates in Washington.

The main export terminal in southern Iraq - the Persian Gulf port of Mina el-Bakr - was captured in good condition early in the war. Yet anyone wishing to buy Iraqi oil must first get legal title to it, and U.S. officials have so far been unable to unilaterally transfer ownership of Iraq's oil.

With Iraq in desperate need of oil income, Washington may find it has no practical alternative but to ask the U.N. Security Council to help craft an internationally acceptable method of transferring title to Iraq's crude to buyers.
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Abbas picks reformers for new Cabinet

Palestinian prime minister appoints himself as security czar

Associated Press

The incoming Palestinian prime minister completed a new Cabinet on Sunday in line with a leadership overhaul that the United States sought, keeping the key post of security czar for himself and appointing several professionals and reformers.

Once the Cabinet of Mahmoud Abbas is approved by the Palestinian parliament, possibly later this week, President Bush is expected to unveil a "road map" to Palestinian statehood, starting the clock ticking on the three-year plan.

Israel's willingness to go along with the plan remains unclear, although Prime Minister Ariel Sharon did stake out a relatively moderate position in an interview published Sunday.

"I do not think we have to rule over another people and run their lives. I do not think that we have the strength for that," Ariel Sharon, Israel's prime minister, said in the interview published Sunday.

"This expedition proved that disabled [people] should not hold back from doing what they think they can't do. It was breaking all the boundaries," said Biley Woods, 28, of Waco, Texas, who was paralyzed from the chest down in a 1996 ski accident.

The group started at an airstrip in Lukla, a town at 9,180 feet.
Why I choose veal

Once upon a time, in a village far away, people lived happily in ignorant bliss. They didn’t think about their choices because they never worried that their routine decisions might come back to haunt them in the future. They lived, while often irresponsibly, a care in the world. They ate when hungry, including a wide array of meats and cheeses and never contemplated cholesterol, calorie counting or whether it was moral to eat other animals. Many of them smoked cigarettes (or pipes), never realizing that other people may not enjoy the smooth, relaxing ride to flavor country as much as they did.

One sky light bulb clicked on right above the head of a particularly socially conscious villager. “Eureka!” He yelled. “Might it be that some of our choices have consequences? Will we have to answer for our decisions in the future?”

Research was done. To everyone’s dismay, this sky light was correct. It seemed, led to lung cancer, heart disease and a host of other health problems. Overeating led to obesity, ejaculation and diabetes. Eating meat led to, well, dead animals. “What should we do?” asked the people. “Should we allow these activities, or ban them forever?” They held a conference, organized petitions and decided that the best thing to do would be to force their choices upon everyone else. Maybe when everyone tried their lifestyle choices, they would see how much better they were.

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What the American flag means to me

The American flag, like any cultural symbol, is an intriguing object because it can mean so many different things to different people. Where a North Korean family might view the flag as a symbol of imperial aggression, a Turkish family might view it as a symbol of all that is good in the world. It all depends on one’s perspective and experience with America. When we begin to look at the flag in a more domestic context, the different interpretations narrow a bit, but still the differences exist.

For me, the American flag represents more than a people. The flag represents an idea, a vision even. That idea, created and defended by our forefathers, is an idea that one man or even one group of people cannot know everything, and therefore, only through democracy, dialogue and debate can individuals and groups change and stir the nation to be the best that it can be. Further, the flag represents the vision that all Americans and all people are called to bear witness and work for truth, freedom, peace and human rights both in our own communities and the world at large. Looking at history, this idea or notion would no longer be part of their lifestyles and promptly gave them up for good. They made this noble choice for themselves because they believed it was the right thing to do. The others all commented for taking the moral high ground, even while the majority of the villagers were unwilling to do the same. For a time, things returned to normal and were good once again.

Eventually however, several of the more self-depriving individuals began to feel that they were somehow better than the other residents of the village. “What’s wrong with the others?” they asked. “It’s obvious that eating meat and smoking cigarettes is wrong and it is for you. If the others can’t understand that, maybe we should help them to quit, whether they wanted to or not.” They held a conference, organized petitions and decided that the best thing to do would be to force their choices upon everyone else. Maybe when everyone tried their lifestyle choices, they would see how much better they were.

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New York and California, places which once saw wards of 20 per cent of its citizens smoke, have now passed laws making it illegal to smoke in bars or on public streets. Certain municipalities have even debated making it illegal to smoke in your own home. Here at Notre Dame, a club named the "Vegans" embarked on a campaign to eliminate veal from the dining halls because they don’t want to eat it themselves. I love veal and think that they have no more of a right to take such away from my plate than I have to put it on theirs. I respect their choice to abstain from veal, but I am deeply saddened by their choice not to respect mine.

Carolyn Tamps, president of ND for Animals, I am sorry that you are offended by my choice to eat veal. However, if you are so cavalier in your belief that I don’t have a right to choose what I eat for myself, I would please ask you to explain why my choice is not worthy of preservation even if you personally disagree. I repeat that I respect your choice, and that vegetarianism and healthy living is not something foreign to me. Personally, I’m a non-smoker who once abstained from meat for four months because of animal rights concerns. Ultimately however, I’m just a person who doesn’t like to see others deprived of their ability to make completely legally. Lifestyle choices because of the paternalistic views of those who think that they know better. Please make your choices for you, and please allow me to make my choices as well.

What should we have to answer for our decisions in the future?”

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Confronting a columnist's statements about Arabs

Anti-Arab racism runs deep in modern-day American society

John Lille thinks Friday’s column, “Middle East Communities Ignorant,” is going to get him into trouble. But the only trouble it evokes in me is that it’s a lie. True, it is tempting to get enraging at the stereotypes, blatant racism and outright falsehoods that pepper his article, but what’s the point?

Fewer books translated from Arabic in the last 1000 years than are translated in Spain in one year! Everyone in the Middle East blames Israel for their problems! How easy it is to reduce the beliefs of 300 million into a few lies.

Easy. But also very convenient for the American people. Now it is safe to fear Arabs, in the slapdash, bald manner. Label them, subjugate them, kill them and ultimately take from them what’s right­fully ours. Have no qualms my blue-eyed, solder-child, just pull the trigger. It is not necessary for the Observer. These are not “functioning member[s] of human civil­ization.” They are the lowest form of living organisms. They are A-rabs.

Don’t underestimate the role of racism in international affairs. Don’t underestimate how easily one accepts belief­ence after the subject has been deb¬umanized. One tends to start thinking not rationally after that, to see the other point of view, to understand why we need to invade countries and “smoke-out” designated criminals. One learns to adopt that viewpoint as one’s own.

The point of writing this letter to the editor is not to respond to Lille’s col­umn, but to point out how deep anti­Arab racism is in America and the links that this racism has with rationalizing for war in the Middle East. In fact, it seems that this column is illustrating the smokescreen tactics designed to ‘wash out’ designated criminals. One looks at this viewpoint as one’s own.

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Notre Dame and Nalgene: A winning combination

During my two years here at Notre Dame, I have received an astounding number of students jumping on the Nalgene bandwagon. These plastic colored bottles are nearly the coolest thing invented since the sleeveless shirt, can be seen swinging freely from a myriad of North Face packs across campus. It appears that several students even have different colors to coordinate with their outfits. After all, what better accessory is there than a stout, indestructible, fluorescent water bottle. This feat of engineering genius that pushes not only glassware, but also plastic, flimsy cups into extinction is arguably the greatest and most widely received thing to hit this campus since the new alcohol policy. Those of you with one or two of these fabled, spill-proof miracle jugs surely know the joy and pride that accompany them. Many of you, however, have never been given the chance to rate and analyze the numerous virtues of your personal marvel mug. Well, you're in luck. I have developed a Nalgene bottle rating system that can help you obtain maximum coolness through your plastic wonder-cup. First off, if you don't have the largest bottle that this great company makes, subtract five points and contemplate suicide (only kidding, of course). Add five for every sticker on your bottle (double points if they're course). Add five for every sticker on your bottle (double points if they're course). Add five for every sticker on your bottle (double points if they're course). Add five for every sticker on your bottle (double points if they're course). Add five for every sticker on your bottle (double points if they're course). Add five for every sticker on your bottle (double points if they're course).

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Student reaction to these bottles has been incredible. "I know they're heavy. Ridiculously large, and on cult to drink from, but my Nalgene is my best pal-gene," said Dillion sophomore P. McNamara.

Additionally, sophomore Matt Schulte said, "Sure I know that the water fountains on campus are brilliantly placed and that the water in my Nalgene is always lukewarm. But let's be honest, who wants to be seen leening over a water fountain! Losers, that's who."

Mike Roalid currently toting a hot little funcia number, had this to say about his plastic life-partner. "I know it has no spout and that it splashes me in the face every time I drink, but it just looks so gnarly, radical and tubular at the same time. Cowabunga!"

Just like anything, Nalgene bottles are man-made and do contain some form of human error. Actually, disregard that last comment. These bottles are perfect in every way and are clearly the spawn of a divine being so great and powerful that we cannot even comprehend His glory. I'd really love to keep ranting about how great these little catalysts on the quest to coolness are, but my favorite one, Jose Luis, is beckoning my parched throat from across the room. Here I come, my sweet!

Tom Raaf is a sophomore who enjoys spending his time with Wolfman Jack. He can also be seen swimming the lakes or playing a common game entitled "jump bush."

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By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

The Midwest may not be famous for its excellent sushi, its succulent Mexican fare or its fine French cuisine, but Indiana also has food specialties to its name. For truly excellent barbeque ribs, the Midwest can beat anyone.

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By KC KENNEY
Scene Critic

What is one of the few places in town that you can go, singe your self and your date, and still say that you had a great time?
Fondue! the restaurant, is located in the upper level of the Brewery at 100 Center in Mishawaka. If you’ve been to Rum Runners, it’s in the same complex.

The entrance was a little unconventional for a restaurant in my opinion, walking up two flights of stairs in what otherwise seems to be an old warehouse. However, located on the top floor is a small restaurant with a lot of flavor and fun.

Supposedly, the restaurant doesn’t have many ovens or stoves in the back. They’re all located at your table. For those unfamiliar with the art of fondue, let me explain. I was under the misconception that fondue was the act of simply dipping different items into a dip, usually of cheese or chocolate. However, there is much more to it than that.

The classic meal served at Fondue has a fairly regular composition. It starts out with a platter of apples and breads and a pot of a zesty mix of three cheeses that intimidated me at first. There was just something unappealing about cheese and apples. But then they lit the candle under the cheese.
I skewered a piece of apple and dipped it. It was very good, a new taste that I found different but really scrumptious. It followed with a house salad to cleanse the palate and then the entree was brought out.

The menu offers you an entree platter with a choice of raw meat, including seafood, chicken or beef tenderloin, and an array of different vegetables. There were also six different dips and a small bowl of batter. This is when it got surprising to me. The reason that there aren’t any ovens or stoves in this restaurant is because you pick the arrangement of food and cook it yourself right at your table. There were two ways to cook your food. The first is to simply put the food on a skewer and put it in the boiling oil, though this doesn’t do much for the state of the vegetables besides heat them up and simply cook the meat past raw.

The second is much more fun. By dipping the meat or the vegetables in the batter and placing them in the oil. Out comes a well-cooked fried morsel with a really fun crispy covering. It might seem a little strange to cook the meal yourself at a restaurant, but it was a really fun experience, offering a lot of diversity and choice as you develop an understanding of what dips go well with what food.

The highlight of the meal was definitely the desert. The presentation alone was fantastic. A dish of fresh fruit and pound cake is presented with a pot of thin chocolate. Orange liquor is poured on the chocolate, lit on fire, and you are given a pre-skewered marshmallow to roast before you get into the actual platter. It was like eating a piece of heaven, warm chocolate-coated strawberries and other great pieces. I would go back just to order another helping of the desert.

A display at Fondue! portrays the interesting, yet fun, environment that the restaurant creates.

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Fondue! is a great time and an excellent meal for all
Fondue! is located in the upper level of the Brewery at 100 Center in Mishawaka and is special for numerous occasions

Fondue! allows visitors to enjoy their dinner by having a hands-on experience at the restaurant. Fondue! creates an exciting dining experience for all who choose to participate.
PHILADELPHIA Jamahl Mosby scored 20 points, including a key jumper with 32.1 seconds remaining, as the Philadelphia 76ers beat the Phoenix Suns 94-89 Monday night.

Baron Davis scored 16 points in his first game back after missing 22 games with a left knee injury and 14 points and 10 rebounds for New Orleans.

Allen Iverson scored 30 points, including 22 in the first half for the Sixers — who missed an opportunity to clinch homecourt advantage in the first round of the playoffs. The Sixers led 78-71 with 7:12 to play, but Stacey Augmon scored six straight points as the Hornets went on an 11-2 run to take their first lead of the game.

Philadelphia tied it on an 18-foot jumper from Eric Snow, but Davis answered with a 3-pointer to put the Hornets up 3-0.

After Masahiro's jumper gave the Sixers 89-84 lead, Eric Snow made a 3-pointer with 20 seconds remaining.

Iverson also had a 3-point attempt to tie it with 5 seconds left, but the shot fell short of the rim.

Davis was held scoreless in 11 first-quarter minutes before heading to the bench to ice his knees. He returned to the game with 3:38 left before the first half ended.

Iverson hit his 16th 3-pointer in the first half and finished with 33 points and 11 rebounds as the Sixers matched the Indiana Pacers' longest streak of 18 games.

Their only victories away from home have come by 92 points and 118 points against Sacramento and Dallas.

Kevin Garnett had 14 points and 19 rebounds as the Minnesota Timberwolves fell to the Los Angeles Lakers 109-101.

The Timberwolves downed the Lakers for the first time in the Opening Round.

Schizaker tied a franchise record with 44 points in the third quarter.

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Major League Baseball

Phillies notch 13-run inning, destroy Reds

Associated Press

CINCINNATI

Once the Philadelphia Phillies got started, nobody wanted to stop.

Philadelphia scored a franchise-record 13 runs in the fourth inning — 10 of those coming with two outs — and beat the Cincinnati Reds 13-1 Sunday.

Ricky Ledee's three-run homer capped the outburst, which fell just two runs short of the National League record for runs in an inning.

"I didn't want to be the last out," said Ledee, who walked and scored his first time up in the fourth.

The Brooklyn Dodgers scored 15 times in the first inning against Cincinnati on May 21, 1952.

The major league mark is 17 runs, set by the Boston Red Sox against Detroit on June 18, 1935, in the seventh inning.

The Phillies' 13 runs, aided by seven walks, surpassed the club record of 12 in the sixth inning July 21, 1923, against the Chicago Cubs.

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"It was another ugly performance for the Reds at new Great American Ball Park, where they are 3-6 this season. Cincinnati last allowed 13 runs in an inning in 2002 in a 20-7 loss to the Chicago Cubs. Randy Wolf (2-0) was the beneficiary of all the offense in this one.

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Maddux said he would like to move on to the next time out. "I didn't really want to be the last out," he said.

"The Braves gladly will take the Maddux of Sunday."

"He was more into it today, not that he wasn't into it during his other starts," Braves catcher Henry Blanco said.

"I think there was a lot of fun that night, including his second home run for Cleveland — and took a few verbal swipes at the Royals, too.

Expos, Mets 1

The Montreal Expos must feel like they're stranded as Gilligan, hoping someone, anyone, will step up and rescue them.

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For the Mets, it seems like they're on paradise island.

Vinny Castilla homered and drove in five runs as the Braves stopped Florida's four-game winning streak.

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Expos walked off with a fiery win, mobbing Vidro at home plate as the crowd chanted "Vidro! Vidro!" in honor of the Puerto Rican star.

"We need to continue to work on getting out of nine, including five victories in a row," Colon said.

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"I was just glad I got that opportunity."
**TRACK AND FIELD**

**Warmer weather pays dividends for Irish**

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN

The Irish enjoyed their trip to Missouri this weekend, qualifying 58 athletes for the Big East meet and eight more for the NCAA Regional meet at the Tom Boals Invitational.

Out of those 58 athletes, 37 were first-time qualifiers this season, while nine others improved their qualifying efforts from earlier this season.

Leading the way for the women was Tameisha King, who won both the 100-meter hurdles (13.61 seconds) and the long jump (6.37 meters), to claim her spot in the NCAA Regional Qualifying Meet in Columbus, Ohio, May 30.

Saturday also saw Kymia Love sprint to second in the 100-meter dash in 11.85 seconds, and win the 200-meter dash in 23.77 seconds. Both were season-best times for the Irish.

Meanwhile, Ayasha Boyd was right behind Love in the 100-meters, placing third (11.85 seconds), as well as taking fifth in the 200-meters. Tanya Cheatham also qualified for the Big East meet in the 100-meter sprint with her time of 12.26 seconds.

Finally, in the 400-meter run, Kristen Dodd won in a qualifying time of 54.63 seconds.

On the men's side, Ryan Postel led the way in the 400-meters, winning in a time of 47.97 seconds, toying with the NCAA Regional qualifying time of 47.45. Trevor McClain-Duer and James Barber (53.70) dominated the 400-meter hurdles, as they finished one-two-three, respectively, to qualify for the Big East Championships.

Notre Dame's distance runners were just as successful on both sides, as they finally were able to run in beautiful weather Friday night. The women dominated the 1,500-meter run, as Megan Johnson took first in a time of 4 minutes, 31.68 seconds, Jennifer Handley (4:31.72), second, and Stephanie Madia, third (4:33.40), all just missing the NCAA qualifying time of 4:31.00.

Also on the women's side, freshman Jean Marinelli experienced the thrill of her first collegiate victory, winning the 5,000-meter run in 17:15.42. The race also saw Stephanie Madia qualify for the conference meet as well with her third place time of 17:26.79.

Meanwhile, Emily Showman posted her first Big East qualifying time in the steeplechase, finishing third in 11:20.57.

In the mens 3,000-meter steeplechase, indoor All-American Luke Watson began his mission for outdoor All-America honors, as he won easily in 8:45.07. The second-place finisher was 15 seconds behind Watson also for the Irish. Ryan Johnson (third place, 9:20.75) and David Alber (fourth place, 9:23.72) qualified for the Big East meet.

Saturday saw freshman Thomas Channey, who, after nearly missing the NCAA Regional qualifying time last weekend, reached the mark easily, winning the 800-meter run in 1:49.55. Eric Morrison also qualified for the Big East meet in the 800-meter with a time of 1:51.18.

In the mens 1,500-meters, four Irish runners qualified for the Big East meet as well. Vinnie Ambrico led the way (3:54.64), followed by John Keane (3:54.76), Larry Conley (3:54.81), and Sean O'Donnell (3:54.81).

Finally, the Tom Botts Invitational saw the Notre Dame throwers qualify their fair share of athletes. Juan Alba led the way for the men, taking second in the hammer throw (51.36 meters), and he was joined by third-place finisher Chip Roberts (50.46 meters), who also qualified in the discus (45.23 meters). Other qualifiers in the hammer throw were Jason Davis (48.10 meters), and Brian Thornburg (47.62 meters).

For the women, Kate Dunman won the javelin with a toss of 40.34 meters, and was followed by Lauren BellaValpe (39.15 meters) and Andre Duplechain (34.23 meters). Dunman broke her own school record with her effort.

Meanwhile, school record-holder Jaime Volkmer took second in the pole vault (11.87 meters), and third in the triple jump (11.87 meters). Laura Hsuarte and Beebee Bryan also qualified in the pole vault, with efforts of 3.51 meters and 3.36 meters, respectively. Petra Dankova took second in the triple jump (11.99 meters). Finally, freshman Meghan Horn, the only Irish womens thrower, took fourth in both the shot put (12.90 meters) and discus (41.85 meters). Both were good to qualify her for the Big East meet.

Dan Porter qualified for the Big East Championships in the javelin with a throw of 54.97 meters.

The Irish travel to Walnut, Calif., over Easter Break, where they will compete in the Mt. SAC Relays. The Irish look to continue to boost their performances heading into the Big East Championships May 2-4 in Connecticut.

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**In Brief**

Henin-Hardenne stuns Williams

Serena Williams is capable of losing, and everyone on the WTA Tour can thank Justine Henin-Hardenne for reminding them.

The Belgian emphatically ended Williams' 21-0 start to the season by beating the world's No. 1 player 6-3, 6-4 Sunday for the Family Circle Cup title.

"This doesn't change anything about the great champion that Serena is. But it means that today we could see that we can do those things against her, and she can be frustrated, too," Henin-Hardenne said.

Williams' last loss came against another Belgian, Kim Clijsters, in the 2002 season-ending Tour Championship in November.

She issued a bit of a warning to future opponents.

"I'm so motivated now. I can just feel it coming on again. So you've got to watch out," said Williams.

**Yanks fail to break record**

History took a hiatus at Yankee Stadium on Sunday, shoved aside by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

The perennial paupers capitalized on a pair of New York blunders for a 2-1 victory that prevented the Yankees from achieving the best start in the 100-year history of the franchise.

At 9-1, the Yankees had tied the best start ever, set by the 1988 team. No Yankees team has ever gone 10-1.

But it was not to be Sunday, as the Rays won 2-1, which allowed seven hits.

Hall drove in the run with a long fly to left and reliever Lance Carter made the run stand up with a 1-2-3 ninth inning, ending a Yankees five-game winning streak on a day when Yankees starter Roger Clemens was bidding for his 296th career victory.

Clemens worked seven innings, allowing seven hits. He struck out six and walked three and left trailing 1-0.
**SMC TENNIS**

**Belles win 1 of 3 at Midwest Invitational**

**by LISA REJULA**

The Saint Mary's tennis team competed in the prestigious Midwest Invitational on April 11 and 12 in Madison, Wis. The tournament featured the top 12 teams in the region and included several teams ranked in the top 20 nationally for Division III.

The teams invited to the region included Denison University, Albion College, Carthage College, Carleton College at St. Catherine's, DePauw, Washington (St. Louis), Kenyon College, Luther College, Gustavus Adolphus College, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and Saint Mary's.

The Belles had a tough opening day, losing to No. 20 Kenyon College, the 7th seed in the tournament by a 6-3 score. Saint Mary's was barely edged out by Luther College in the next match, falling 5-4.

"The matches were really close," No. 1 singles player Jeannie Knish said. "The competition was just incredible and we got a lot of great hitting in.

On the second day of competition, the Belles faced Carleton College and earned a 5-4 victory. No. 2 Kristen Palombo, No. 3 Katie Gill, No. 4 Kristen Spiegel and No. 6 Angela Sandner all picked up victories for the Belles.

In doubles play, Saint Mary's team of Knish and Palombo fell to Carleton's Diane Danforth and Geteveze Phil at the No. 1 spot. Carleton's No. 2 duo of Eryn Roch and Russell defeated the Belles' pairing of Cutler and Elsa Ryan. Freshman Lindsay Cook and Spriggle salvaged a win for the Belles with their victory at No. 3 doubles.

"We were definitely happy that the weekend ended on a good note," Knish said. "We had tough matches when we got here, and we played well, it was just that the competition was so good.

Top-seeded DePauw won the Invitational with a 6-3 victory over third-seeded Gustavus Adolphus College. DePauw's title was as an upset, as the Tigers were ranked 12th nationally and Gustavus squad was ranked 5th.

The Belles are now 11-5 for the season. The results of the Invitational are used in determining qualifiers for the NCAA tournament.

With their win in Madison, the Belles are a step closer to their postseason goals.

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**WOMENS TENNIS**

**Hurricanes blow by Irish**

By JOE LINDSEY

Saturday's hurricane knocked down the Irish, who formerly had been riding on a five-match win streak.

Playing in Coral Gables, Fla., No. 25 Miami upset No. 24 Notre Dame 6-3 in what was both teams' final regular season match. It was just the third loss in 12 matches for the Irish, who moved to 11-8 on the season.

Irish junior Caylan Leslie won her team's only point with her 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 effort over Megan Bradley at the No. 1 flight. Leslie, who is ranked 39th nationally, improved to 17-8 this season with the win. Leslie, ranked 124th in the nation, is the eighth-ranked opponent to fall to Leslie.

Other than Leslie's win, it was a challenging and losing day for the Irish.

Miami claimed each of the three doubles matches to go ahead 1-0. Then, not allowing Notre Dame a single win, the Hurricanes stormed ahead to take the next three matches, thus sealing their victory.

Nevertheless, given the successes the team has had recently, the Irish are taking Saturday's match as a learning opportunity. They hope that the lessons learned over the weekend will make them a more formidable team come the Big East Championships and the NCAA tournament.

"It didn't exactly go the way we wanted it to go," freshman Lauren Connelly said. "It was a good learning experience. We all learned a lot from it. Hopefully we'll go back and beat them [in two weeks]."

Because of the team's big win over Big Ten opponents recently, one loss — even to Miami — is not enough to damage their confidence, according to Connelly.

"I think our current success has given us a lot more confidence," she said.

In doubles, the 2nd-ranked pair of Melissa Applebaum and Megan Bradley defeated senior Katie Conohan and freshman Jennifer Smith, 6-3. Then Ignatius de Villiers and Abby Smith secured the doubles point for the Hurricanes with their 8-5 triumph over Lauren Connelly and junior Alicia Salas.

After Miami clinched the point, Stacie Stevens and Mari Toro added to what would turn out to be a dominating match with their 8-5 topping of sophomores Sarah Jane Connelly and freshman Kristina Sustay.

Applebaum, ranked 91st individually, continued the momentum for the Hurricanes when she defeated No. 87 Salas, 6-2, 7-6(2).

After a tough first set, Stevens survived Statney, 7-5, 6-1, at the No. 4 flight to put Miami within a point of the win.

Toro, playing at the No. 3 flight, clinched the victory for her team with her 7-6(9), 6-1 defeat of Cunna. After Miami claimed the victory, the Irish still had an opportunity to put some points on the board with three singles matches remaining.

Leslie prevented Miami's shutout with her win, however. Sarah Jane Connelly's attempt to rally against Shem Bennacer was not successful. The sophomore fell 6-2, 2-6, 6-1, as her ninth-match winning streak was snapped.

Lauren Connelly, could not survive Sara Robbins at the No. 6 flight, and was defeated 6-4, 5-7, 1-0 (10-4).

Notre Dame will now have two weeks off before they return to Coral Gables April 25 for the Big East Championships. Because of Saturday's victory, Miami has earned the top seed for the tournament.

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China's Future Fates: Economic Miracle or Political Collapse?

In the last decade, China has been both a model of economic prosperity and a paragon of widespread social and political tensions and contradictions. As China continues to develop, which of these two dynamics will prevail, or will determine China's future as it progresses in course of reform? Simply put, the question is:

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Mmm ... Cheese has "easy" time in 2nd round win

By MATT LOZAR and HEATHER VAN HOOGENDON
Associate Sports Editor and Sports Writer

Of all the cheese types on the backs of their shirts, the one that described No. 6 Mmm ... Cheese's victory the best was "easy.

Dominated on both ends of the court, Mmm ... Cheese cruised into the third round with a 21-2 win over Press X to Exit the System.

Mmm ... Cheese allowed only one shot on the defensive end and then got out in transition. On the break, Mmm ... Cheese used no look and behind the back passes to score quickly.

Ahead 11-1 at the half, Mmm ... Cheese slowed the game to work on playing against Press X's zone, something Mmm ... Cheese expects to see in later rounds.

They played zone like a lot of other teams might," Steve Burns said. "With the hard rims, it is hard to make shots out here."

After the game was over, Mmm ... Cheese worked off their free throws, knowing full well how important they are after last year.

One of our players missed a big free throw last year," Burns said. "When we play some smaller teams, they are just going to bang on our big guys so we need to be ready.

Population Plurs 21, Intercourts 17

The excellence of the Intercourts wasn't enough. The group of MBA students couldn't get out of a first-half hole and lost to the Population Plurs in a second round game Sunday afternoon at the Bookstore courts.

Population Plurs built an 8-4 lead and held off an Intercoutrange charge, which fell within one, to be up 11-7 at the half.

In the second half, Population Plurs continued to keep the comfortable lead and never let the Intercourts get close enough to make them worry.

Baska Loves Molly 21, Hoop Warriors 6

The jerseys didn't help them.

Hoop Warriors came out in an assortment of jerseys but were out hustled by Baska Loves Molly in the second round.

Baska Loves Molly simply did not have the ability to win. On offense, they repeatedly got the rebound and scored on easy put-backs. Off steals on the defensive end, Baska Loves Molly ran the fast break using hesitations, head fakes and good passing to score easy baskets and move into the round of 128.

We're Not as Good as LeBron James, but We Would Still Enjoy a Hummer 21, Team 44 7

They wear bright green shirts matched the headband of the high school senior to whom they are dedicating this tournament. We're Not as Good as LeBron James moved the ball extremely well in their victory over Team 44.

"These are new courts that are not friendly to the shooters," Chad Kohorst said. "We also wanted to use our height advantage."

Their sharp interior passing throughout the whole game gave We're Not as Good as LeBron James easy transition baskets. Getting numerous run-outs off rebounds, We're Not as Good as LeBron James used the bounce pass to perfection resulting in a bunch of lay-ups.

"We played really well but we could play better," Kohorst said. "We have the potential to go places."

 Bye 21, Bye Into the Next Round 8

Despite similar names, these two teams were nothing alike, as Bye waved Bye Into the Next Round right off the court. Wearing Hawaiian shirts, perhaps wisely thinking the weather would be warm, Bye Into the Next Round could not compete. Bye Into the Next Round was unable to overcome their lack of offense to give Bye a game.

Meanwhile, freshman Paul Popog was Bye into the Next Round's worst nightmare. Nailing jumper after jumper, the Hawaiian-clad team guarded him closer, only to watch him blow by them, time and time again. Popog seemed inspired by the large boom box that was brought by a fellow Morrissey resident. However, Popog didn't rest on his laurels after his unpredictable performance.

"My teammates Sean Saari, Tim Florta and Paul Switaj all played huge. The crowd was awesome."

Saari, on the other hand, had other ideas after the victory, as no one could stop Popog, they could only try to contain him.

"Paul is a playground legend."

However, Popog was just having a good time, scoring more than half his team's points.

"You can't beat bookstore basketball," he said.

Roc Sports 21, Stop Me If You Can 7

Despite their name, Stop Me If You Can was never able to get its tracks Saturday afternoon at the Bookstore Courts. Roc Sports was simply too big and too strong for the undersized, coed team. Despite playing hard, Roc Sports dominated the entire game. Stop Me If You Can was never able to get going, as their outside shooters were affected by the strong wind, and they were simply too small to go inside the paint.

One play summed up the rough day for Stop Me If You Can, as a Roc Sports guard went to save the ball from going out of bounds, and instead the ball went over the backboard and in the hoop.

Michael Jackson's Little Buddies 21, Strippers 8

Alumni's pre-wake events on Friday night took a toll on the Strippers, as they were dominated by Michael Jackson's Little Buddies. Despite their best efforts to distract the other team with their striping antics, the shirtless boys from Alumni could not come through with a win.

Michael Jackson's Little Buddies continually fast-breaked, as they got every defensive rebound and ran with it. By the end of the game, the Strippers were just too tired to compete. However, they had their share of good plays, despite their tiredness at 12:30 in the afternoon, as players hit some good shots on the drive. In the end, Michael Jackson's Little Buddies were just the better team that afternoon.

Rail Splitters 21, Wouldn't You Like to Know 7

After this game, everyone just wanted to know the secret of the dominating Rail Splitters. They dominated the entire game, as Wouldn't You Like to Know had trouble getting into the flow of the game.

The Rail Splitters went inside almost every play, and with a strong wind blowing, no outside shots would drop for either team.

Team 81 21, Renegade Angels 12

The Renegade Angels were anything but angelic on the court Saturday afternoon. Sporting purple shirts, the team of all females aggressively competed with Team 81.

The Renegade Angels were all over the court, grabbing rebounds and screaming at Team 81 every time they shot. When Team 81 stole the ball and took it coast to coast for a lay up, the crowd boosed. The Renegade Angels were the obvious crowd favorite, but despite the support, the ladies in purple couldn't come away with the victory.

Above, Laurie Priatera shoots a layup during her bookstore basketball game, Her team "He's Freakish, He's Small ... and He Shoots the Three" defeated "Cowboys and Indian" 21-6. Right, Pat Kurz of "Hoop Warriors" shoots while a member of "Baska Loves Molly" try to block.

Photos by LISA VELTE
Righthanded pitcher Martin Vergara pitches against Valparaiso. Irish pitchers gave up 13 runs in the two wins over the weekend, extending their winning streak to 16.

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six innings of work. He pitched out of a bases loaded jam in the fourth inning by retiring two straight batters after allowing an RBI single.

"That," he said, "is so steady. Every time he goes there, it seems he gives us six of seven solid innings." Mainieri said. "Quite frankly, he didn't have his best stuff, but he pitched with a lot of courage.

The Irish outlasted Creighton in Sunday's game behind five RBI and four hits from Edwards and three RBI and four hits from Greggan. Irish starting pitcher Ryan Kalita and the rest of the Notre Dame pitching staff uncharacteristically struggled, but were picked up by 13 hits and 13 runs from their offense.

Notre Dame took the early lead 2-0 in the second inning on an RBI triple from designat­
ed hitter Craig Cooper and a RBI double by first baseman Joe Thaman. After Creighton scored in the bottom of the sec­ond to cut the lead to 2-1, Notre Dame responded with a four-run third. Edwards blast­ed a two-run home run and Bizzo and Cooper each had RBI doubles.

The Bluejays came right back with four runs of their own in the bottom of the third inning. Despite giving up eight earned runs in six innings of work, he pitched with a lot of power. "They're all capable of doing whatever they need to do on any given day," Mainieri said. "I just focused in and wanted on my pitches."

Creighton's lead shot was off the scoring in the third inning. After the Irish scored in the second, he took a chance and offered a chance of defeating a bases loaded jam in the second inning. "We wanted to take the team back for all the freshman this year," Mainieri said. "I felt that if they got a taste of it, it will push them to work a little harder and listen to their coaches a little more. This was an invitation to Omaha, in June we have to earn our right to Omaha.

Notre Dame returns home to face Central Michigan in a make-up game Monday at 3:05 p.m.

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Bledsoe's game-winning RBI single.

Notre Dame could have done it with John Tatto's leadoff home run, but clutch hitting fal­tered as the Irish left a total of 14 runners on base in the 12 innings Friday.

Timely hitting prevailed on Sunday, though, as the Irish managed to score a total of four runs. Kalita, which com­bined for 10 RBIs, off of Seton Hall pitchers.

"There's all capable of doing that every at bat," Gumpf safed. "Their group and their ability to hit the long ball. We have a nice group of hitters with some power."

Third baseman Andrea Loman paced the Irish home run derby with a long ball in each game. "On the Hill pitchers" had been throwing all the hits the pitching staff uncharacteristically struggled, but were picked up by 13 hits and 13 runs from their offense.

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MENS TENNIS

Wildcats claim their way past Irish 5-2

By JOE LINDSEY

Sparty Wins

Playing in their last road match of the season, No.6 Notre Dame fell to No.12 Kentucky 7-2 Sunday. With the fifth loss in their past seven matches, the Irish move to 7-12 on the season, while the Wildcats improved to 17-10.

Notre Dame won the first match of the day to leave the court. Sophomore Brest D'Amico and junior tri-captain Matt Scott topped Karim Bennou and Matt Emery 8-4.

But Kentucky rebounded when Evan Austin and Alex Humes won 8-6 over Irish junior Ben Hatten and sophomore Paul McNaught. The 5th­ranked team of Rahim Esmail and Jesse Wilton took the dou­bleheader for the Wildcats and set the momentum in their favor when they defeated the Irish senior captain pair of senior Brian Farrell and junior Luis Hershman 8-4.

In singles, the Wildcats quickly won the requisite three matches to claim the victory. At the No.2 flight, Evan Austin defeated Matt Scott, 6-3, 6-0. Then Notre Dame's Hudder, ranked 97th, fell 7-5, 6-3 to No. 16 Witten Witten was the 2002 NCAA runner-up as a freshman last season.

With the Wildcats on the verge of victory, the battle at No. 4 between Esmail and Farrell was in its third set. The Irish senior had claimed the first set, 6-2, but Esmail rallied to win the next set, 6-3. In the end, Farrell could not hold on, and Esmail won the final set 6-2 to give Kentucky the win before the Irish could earn a point.

After the victory was clinched, Bennouman, ranked 100th, defeated D'Amico in 6-4 straight sets.

Notre Dame finally won some matches with the aide, of junior Nicholas Acavado and freshman Paul Mekie Buchannan.

Lopez-Acevedo defeated D'Amico, 6-7, 6-4, 6-3. In the final match of the afternoon, Buchannan toppled Humer 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 to make it 5-3.

Notre Dame will have its last regular season competition on Tuesday when Indiana State comes to the Eck Pavilion. Then the Irish will have nearly two weeks off before the Big East Championships in Coral Gables, Fla., April 25.

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stepped up again. Stopped on one end of the field gave way to scoring chances on offense, and the Irish dominated in the second half, outscoring the Falcons 9-1.

"That's something we've been hoping would be a hallmark for our team, that the defense could keep us in games and give the offense opportunities to make plays," Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. "I'd like to see us be more consistent offensively. But I was happy to see us be aggressive.

Berger, the team's leading goal-scorer with 28, began the offensive explosion with three goals in the third quarter. Senior Kyle Frigon tallied one goal and Giordano scored his third and fourth goals. When Giordano then scored his fourth goal of the day with 1:03 remaining in the game, senior midfielder Travis Wells scored back-to-back goals off assists from Karweck and defenseman Mickey Blum. All of a sudden, the game had gone from a tight 4-3 game to a 12-3 blowout.

Air Force scored one goal to halt the consecutive Irish goals at eight, but Giordano answered with a goal off an assist from freshman Brian Hubbs-Mcmanus at the 3:50 mark.

Irish goal-tender Stewart Creland made ten saves on 13 shots in 51 minutes. Senior back-up Nick Antol played nine minutes and made one save on two shots.

Even with the win, however, Corrigan believes the automatic bid may be out of reach after Ohio State's 11-9 win over Fairfield Sunday.

"Ohio State is 2-0 and we are 3-1 in the league," Corrigan said. "They have three games to play, and I can see them struggling with Denver possibly, but I don't see them losing in league at this point.

Even if Ohio State lost one game, the Buckeyes would still win the tiebreaker with the Irish. Ohio State beat Notre Dame head-to-head 11-5. The GWLL regular season champion receives one of seven automatic bids to the 16-team postseason tournament.

"Hopefully we can take care of our business and win these last three games," Corrigan said. "Then, we will have wins over North Carolina and Pitt State and hopefully Maryland, and we will be able to make a serious case for an at-large bid.

Fairfield is the only GWLL opponent remaining on the Irish schedule. That road game and upcoming home games against Harvard and No. 4 Maryland will decide Notre Dame's fate this season.

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Women's Lacrosse

Irish fall hard against two ranked opponents

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

Even after holding the lead at some point in both halves and the first overtime, it just wasn't meant to be for the women's lacrosse team when No. 16 Stanford battled back for a 14-13 win in double overtime over the No. 15 Irish at Moose Krause Stadium Sunday.

It was another frustrating ending for the Irish who dropped to 4-6 on the season. They have four of their losses, all of which have come to ranked teams.

Still, out of those six games, the loss to Stanford might have been the most frustrating. The Irish held the lead most of the second half, before Stanford's Megan Burker tied the game at 11 with 1:32 left. In the first overtime the Irish took a 13-12 lead on a goal from junior Abby Owen with only 2:21 remaining. After controlling the draw, the Irish turned it over with about 40 seconds to go. The Cardinal capitalized again, with Julie Glatzetti scoring the equalizer with 18 seconds to go.

The tone of the second overtime came from Stanford's Kelsey Twist with 2:35 to go. The score was 13-13 with about 11:03 remaining in the game, senior midfielder Abby Owen chased down a Stanford player during a 14-13 loss Sunday. The Irish defeated the Falcons 9-1 for their second win in a row.

The loss to Stanford was the second defeat of the weekend for the Irish, who also lost to No. 3 Duke 10-7 on Friday. In that game, Notre Dame also fell behind 3-0 and eventually was down 5-1 before rallying to get within two goals during the middle of the second half at 7-5. The Irish would twice trade goals with the Blue Devils, eventually pulling within 9-7, but they could never quite catch Duke.

Simon led the Irish with two goals and an assist against Duke, while Fischer and Foote each added a goal and an assist.

Next up for the Irish will be another game against a ranked opponent, as No. 6 Georgetown will head to Moose Krause Stadium to face the Irish at noon on April 19th. The Irish will be looking to give the Hoyas their first Big East loss and to stay in the race for the Big East Championship.

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Taurus (April 20-May 20): Make personal changes. Get involved in activities that will jump-start your body. You will see—and like—the results.

Gemini (May 21-June 21): This is not the day to start something new or confront a situation that has been bothering you. Instead, get caught up and finish projects that have been hanging over your head. Work by yourself today.

Cancer (June 22-July 22): This could turn into a touch-and-go sort of day. Not everyone is on the same schedule as you these days. You will have to confront a situation that has been bothering you. Instead, get caught up and finish projects that have been hanging over your head. Work by yourself today.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Time is your turn to financial success. Talk to friends who may have similar interests and see if you can collaborate to benefit everyone involved.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will find it difficult to control your emotions today. Not everyone is on the same schedule as you these days. You will have to allow others space in their day plans.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Someone may not be as loyal as you think. Do something that will improve your living quarters. The changes you make will help to move your spirits.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Money and love may get you into trouble if you think you have to impress someone by spending a lot. Get out and meet some interesting people who will take your mind off a non-productive pursuit.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You should try to be more open-minded today. Trouble is brewing on the home front and you don’t want to be the brunt of anyone’s discontent.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Be well-prepared today. Business trips will pay off. Don’t hesitate to pick up and move if it means a promotion.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This is a good day to make some financial changes. Follow your innovative ideas. Keep a close eye on your health.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): This could turn into a touch-and-go sort of day, especially when it comes to partnerships. You’ll have trouble concerning others to go along with your plans.

Birthday Baby: You will be practical, concerned about others and always willing to lend a helping hand. You will have an innate ability to reason and to use common sense.

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Irish extend win streak to 16 with pair of 1-run victories

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame enjoyed revisiting Rosenblatt Stadium over the weekend. They enjoyed sweeping a two-game series with Creighton even more.

"There were a lot of emotions and most of them were very positive emotions," Irish coach Paul Mainieri said. "It was great being back out on that field."

Next to Frank Eck Stadium, that's my favorite place to play in the entire world." Notre Dame used two unearned runs in the first inning of game one to jump on top of the Bluejays early. Those runs were enough for right-hander Chris Niesel, who worked six innings and yielded only one run on four hits. Niesel improved to 4-0 on the season.

Notre Dame scored the first two runs in an interesting first inning. Second baseman Steve Sollmann singled to start the inning and outfielder Brennan Grogan attempted to sacrifice Sollmann to second. However, Creighton starting pitcher Tom Oldham threw the ball off Grogan's back, allowing him to reach first and Sollmann to go to third. First baseman Matt Edwards then grounded to the Creighton shortstop to drive in Sollmann and give the Irish a 1-0 lead.

After Grogan was thrown out on a double steal, Cody Rizzo — playing catcher for junior Javy Sanchez who has sat out the past three games with back spasms — was plunked by a pitch before shortstop Matt Marci came through with an RBI single up the middle.

Staked to a two-run edge, Niesel fought his way through six innings of work. He pitched a no-hitter against St. John's, when freshmen Dan Berger and Matt Karweck netted two runs. Niesel allowed one run on four hits. Niesel improved to 4-1 on the season.

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Deanna Gumpf said. "It was great to see our girls hit the ball like they did." Notre Dame got things started quickly in Friday's first game against St. John's, when freshman Meghan Ruthrauff belted a three-run home run, her second of the season, to help blow the game wide open.

Giordano makes it two in a row for Irish

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

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