Disabled students flourish at Notre Dame

By TERESA FRALISH
Assistant News Editor

Despite successes, some say that resource inadequacies exist

Chinese filmmaker shows work

By BETH ERIKSON
News Writer

Over 300 students and faculty members attended the screening of Li Yang's controversial film "Blind Shaft" in DeBartolo Hall Wednesday night. The Chinese filmmaker, who visited campus for the event, responded to questions after the showing.

The film, which addresses several different humanitarian issues, was shot in China illegally without government approval. International viewing of the film is prohibited by China, but this marked its second screening in the United States.

"Blind Shaft" was not originally produced as a political commentary, but rather as a presentation of various humanitarian issues prevalent in modern China, Yang said.

The documentary-style film portrays the destitution of rural China, a country in which 200 million people reside below the poverty line. It also depicts the squalling working conditions of Chinese coalminers, of whom more than 10,000 die each year in work-related accidents.

Yang examines the relationship between wealth and ethics in his film, juxtaposing materialistic consciousness with a drive for materialism. As wealth increases in China, this contrast becomes more and more pronounced, Yang said.

Kopp discusses beginning of TFA

Teach for America founder comes to ND

By AMANDA MICHAELS
News Writer

Princeton senior Wendy Kopp had a dream — to end the inequity of education in America. With the goal of 500 corps members and a budget of $2.5 million in mind, she set out to change the face of America.

Kopp is the founder and president of Teach for America, a nonprofit organization that currently places 3,000 of the country's most exceptional college graduates as teachers in low-income school districts in 20 different locations.

She is chairman of the New Teacher Project, a consulting group that advises school districts on how to recruit top teachers, and she is the youngest person and only female ever to receive Princeton's Woodrow Wilson award — the highest honor conferred upon undergraduate students.

Kopp spoke Wednesday at an event sponsored by the Society of Women Engineers and the Children's Defense Fund about her journey with TFA, its successes and failures and the state of education in America today.

"When I went to Princeton, I realized something that had always been hidden from me before," said Kopp. "That was the fact that where you're born, even in this country that claims to be the land of opportunity, does so much to determine your educational prospects, and so your life prospects as well."

She came up with the idea for TFA while searching for a career path to take beyond the corporate life. Ironically, TFA's two-year teaching program is based on the same strategies used by corporate America to recruit liberal arts majors into the business world.

From conception to inception, TFA took on a life of its own. Hundreds of college seniors from elite schools were interested in a program deemed too altruistic for the "Me Generation" by institutions that Kopp had solicited for funds in the past.

Fan suffered heart attack

By MEGHAN MARTIN
Associate News Editor

An autopsy conducted by the St. Joseph County coroner's office Monday concluded that Roger Bailey, the fan who was found collapsed in a stadium restroom before Saturday's game, died of a heart attack, said St. Joseph County Deputy Coroner Dr. Michael O'Connell.

"It was a natural death. More than likely, it was cardiac," O'Connell said.

Bailey, who was 49, was found on the floor of an upper-level men's room in Section 123 shortly after gates officially opened.

Stadium ushers and medical crews responded quickly to the emergency, said Director of Stadium Security Cappy Gagnon.

He was transported, accompanied by a brother, from the stadium to the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, where he died at 3:15 p.m.

Bailey was president and partner of Lumberyard Suppliers in East Peoria, Ill. and was visiting Notre Dame with some of his family from Mapleton, Ill. a small town 13 miles southwest of East Peoria.

The father of four and grandfather of one had served on the board of the National and State Home Builders Association and as a junior football league coach for 17 years.

The Peoria Journal-Star contributed to this report.
**INSIDE COLUMN**

**My flush with destiny**

I call it my flush with destiny. The day I watched my cell phone swirl down the toilet was no mere accident; it was meant to be. It was my destiny to flush that cell phone down the toilet. It was my destiny to tell my friends who also laughed, "Yes, I've given so much, after so long... I plan to take it all back."

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**QUESTION OF THE DAY:** **DO YOU PLAN ON DOING SERVICE AFTER GRADUATION?**

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"Yeah, Service for your momma."  
"Yes... wait. No."  
"I've given so much, after so long...I plan to take it all back."

"Yes, I believe so."

"No, hopefully I'll be in the MBA by then."

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**OFFBEAT**

**Spam clogs internet's arteries**

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Three years ago, Adam Kalbye set up a Web log to share his thoughts about online business and the digital revolution. Like countless other 'bloggers,' he lets his readers post comments on his entries.

Recently, his site has been getting remarks like "Thanks for the information!" and "Sounds great! They're not from supporters, but from people — or machines — who leave names like 'Generic Viagra,' 'Online Gambling' and 'Free Poker' and links to unsavory sites."

Spam has never been limited to e-mail. But now, commercial pitches are increasingly popping up in online chats, instant messages, cell phones with text messaging and, as Kalbye found, Web log comments. Spammers are flocking to new communications tools like modes of light, threatening to cripple these tools just as they are beginning to take off.

Howard Rheingold, a futurist who predicts always-on communication will revolutionize public discourse, is worried that all these new forms of spam could freeze the revolution in its tracks.

**'Bluejacking' new cell phone craze**

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — The group of lanky tourists stoveiling through Stockholm's old town never knew what hit them. As they admired Swedish handicrafts in a storefront window, one of their cell phones chirped with an anonymous note: 'Try the blue sweaters. They keep you warm in the winter.'

'The tourist was 'blue-jacked' — surrepticiously surprised with a text message sent using a short-range wireless technology called Bluetooth.

As more people get Bluetooth-enabled cell phones — both sender and recipient need them for this work — there is bound to be more mischievous messaging of the unsuppersed.

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**IN BRIEF**

A new installment of the Kroec Institute's Africa Seminar, entitled "Prospects for Islamic Peacebuilding in Sub-Saharan Africa," will be presented at 12:30 p.m. today in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies. Sakah Mahmud, a political scientist, will present the lecture. Lunch will be served.

The Kellogg Institute will present a lecture entitled "The Determinants of Internal Structures of States" today at 4:15 p.m. in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

The seniors class will hold its annual press box dinner and stadium tour today at 6:30 p.m. in Notre Dame Stadium. Tickets, which must be purchased in advance, are available at the LaFortune Box Office.

The NDCinema program will present the German film "Nowhere in Africa (Nirgendwo in Afrika)" today in the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library at 7 p.m. The film will be introduced by history professors Doris Bergen and Emily Osborn. The event is free and open to the public.

The week-long conference, "A Reason to Write: Two Catholic Novelists," will present the lecture "Strangers and Pilgrims: Spiritual Travels with Flannery O'Connor and Walker Percy" tonight at 7:30 p.m. in 138 DeBartolo Hall. The lecture will be followed by a book sale and signing.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.
**SENATE**

**Group appoints two members to Council**

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS

The Student Senate appointed two senators as alternates to the Council of Representatives at Wednesday's meeting.

Korti senator Brian Aggassi and Cavanaugh senator Jordan Hngovannit were unanimously approved as alternates to the Council.

The Council of Representatives passed a resolution at its meeting Monday which called for the formation of a committee to "consider representation of students by the members of the Council of Representatives." The resolution states that the reason for this committee stems from the fact that the Council "is yet to constitute its bylaws regarding ethics and attendance."

Until proper attendance policies for the Council are decided, the resolution provides for each organization within the Council to send an alternate in the event that their elected Council representative is unable to attend a meeting. When sent as a representative for their organization, an alternate will have full voting privileges at meetings.

Korean Senator Dan Zenker, one of four Senate representatives on the Council, said the alternates provide for full Senate representation at Council meetings and also ensure that Senators will not be counted absent from Council meetings.

"Each member gets three unexcused absences, but now if we don’t go, one of the alternates can go and we don’t get an unexcused absence," Zenker said.

"They also take all of our voting power with them to the meetings."

The Council’s resolution did not mandate that alternates had to be officially appointed, but Zenker said he thought electing alternates was a good idea.

"We just wanted to make sure that the Senate had official alternates. Now, we can keep them updated on what’s going on [in the Council]."

In other Senate news...

Psasquirtilla West senator Jana Lamplaba reported to the Senate that a meeting with Bill Kirk, associate vice president for Residence Life, regarding the Senate-sponsored petition to move the ROTC Presidential Pass in Review ceremony to an outdoor location will occur Tuesday. The Senate will present its petition to Kirk in order to show the amount of student support for the transfer of the ceremony from Loftus to a proposed South Quad location.

* • The Senate Committee on Ethics issued new attendance rules to senators Wednesday. These rules include mandatory attendance records for all Senate committee meetings, and 24-hour notice from any Senator missing a committee meeting. The rules stipulate that Senators who reach four unexcused absences from a committee meeting or four absences from full Senate meetings will receive a written warning from the Ethics Committee. At five absences, the Ethics Committee will meet to determine a course of action to be taken in the matter.

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**Teach for America influences campus**

By AMANDA MICHAELS

Fourteen years after the conception of Teach for America, hundreds of similar organizations have been chartered to help combat illiteracy and raise the level of education in the United States and around the world.

The Center for Social Concerns is a clearinghouse for many such programs, connecting students interested in dedicating their post-graduate years to service.

Programs modeled after the Alliance for Catholic Education, which decided to help others start similar organizations rather than expand its own, are among such large-scale service projects. While ACE is still the most popular teaching service organization on campus, such programs as the Pacific Alliance for Catholic Education, the Providence Alliance for Catholic Teachers and a variety of others attract as many as five graduates each year.

With ACE graduates in service, two-thirds of those NDMC students, ACE is by far the most popular post-higher teaching service organization for domers established by Father Tim Scully and Father Sean McGraw in 1983, ACE provides an intensive program that allows students to work toward their Masters of Education degree in the summer, while accruing hands-on experience as full-time teacher during the school year.

ACE teachers receive health insurance, a monthly stipend, travel reimbursement and an relocation award of $4,725 from Americorps, said Andrea Smith Shappell, director of sen-

"About 10 percent of seniors apply to ACE each year," said Dallavis, "and what I think it comes down to is an interest in teaching others and the desire to do service."

The success of the ACE and Teach for America projects has spawned a number of other long-standing teaching pro-

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Bush approval rating rises

More Americans approve of economy handling than two months ago

Associated Press

Public approval of President Bush's handling of the economy has increased amid signs that the economy is recovering, according to a poll out Wednesday.

Half in the NBC-Wall Street Journal poll, 50 percent, approved of Bush's handling of the economy, up from 43 percent who approved two months ago.

Bush's overall job approval was at 51 percent, with 44 percent not approving. That's largely unchanged from that same poll two months ago — when he was at 49 percent.

Recent economic reports have shown the nation's growth rate is up, while unemployment claims are down — factors which appear to have helped his strength on that measure.

Bush's overall job approval rating has ranged from 50 percent to the mid 50's in several recent polls.

Attacks against U.S. troops are increasing and a new intelligence report suggests that Iraqis are losing faith in U.S.-led occupation forces, a development that is increasing support for the resistance.

Almost two-thirds, 63 percent, still support the military action against Iraq, but when asked if that action has been worth the costs — people were evenly split.

The poll of 1,003 adults was taken Nov. 8-10 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percent-age points.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Troop, media relations sour
INDIANAPOLIS — With casualties mounting in Iraq, jumpy U.S. soldiers are becoming more aggressive in their treatment of journalists and civilians.

Media people have been detained, newscasts have contained false information and some journalists have suffered verbal and physical abuse while trying to report on events.

Although the number of incidents involving soldiers and journalists is difficult to gauge, anecdotal evidence suggests it has risen sharply in the past two months.

The president of the Associated Press Managing Editors, which distributes news to AP's more than 1,700 newspapers in the United States and Canada, sent a protest letter to the Pentagon on Wednesday urging officials to "immediately take the steps to end such conduct.

"The effect has been to deprive the American public of crucial images from Iraq in newspapers, broadcast stations and online news operations," wrote Stuart Wilk, managing editor of The Dallas Morning News.

Colombia's armed forces chief quits
BOGOTA, Colombia — His voice cracking with emotion, Colombia's chief armed forces commander said Wednesday that he is quitting his post, adding his resignation letter to a growing pile on the desk of hard-line President Alvaro Uribe.

In the past week, three cabinet ministers, the head of the Colombian National Police and another senior police official have resigned under pressure following the defeat of political reforms that Uribe said were needed to defeat rebels and crack down on corruption.

NATIONAL NEWS

Senate debates judicial nominees
WASHINGTON — With humor, anger and a show of GOP unity, the Senate on Wednesday launched 30 hours of uninterrupted debate on President Bush's political nominees not making it to the federal appeals bench, setting up a showdown over whether there is a need to enact filibuster reform.

"For the next 30 hours Republicans and Democrats will debate the merits of candidates," Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., opened the debate by condemning the filibusters.

"Tonight we embark upon an extraordinary session," Frist said. "For the next 30 hours Republicans and Democrats will debate the merits of candidates, consider the meaning of our constitutional responsibilities to advise and consent on nominations. We will discuss whether there is a need to enact filibuster reform so that nominations taken in the floor can get to a vote."

Democrats, some appearing amused by the pomp and circumstance, were already in the Senate chamber waiting for the beginning of the debate. The Senate had just finished a vote and many of the GOP senators had to leave the chamber just to be in the group marching back in.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, held a sign he displayed for television cameras and passing Republican senators as they entered the chamber. "I'll be home watching 'The Bachelor.'"

LOCAL NEWS

Airport closed due to bomb scare
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — A counterterrorism center director testified at his federal trial Wednesday that the State Department did not raise concerns about training sessions he offered to foreign soldiers before a group of not being licensed.

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improvement.

For instance, Hoffman said that
during her freshman year, a math
professor refused to provide her
with a copy of the notes from the
overhead projector, and she had
to switch to another class.

Generally, Hoffman has access
to large-print materials and is
given extra time to complete
exams, but ran into different
problems when taking the LSAT
that year.

“They require very extensive
documentation. I’d heard they
weren’t very student-friendly,” she
said.

Initially, Hoffman’s request for
extended time was denied, and
then ultimately granted. Just days
before she was scheduled to take
the test.

“It’s something that a student
with a disability shouldn’t have to
go through,” she said.

Disabled students said they
would like to see themselves
included in the University’s defi-
nition of diversity, which often
focuses on racial and ethnic
diversity.

“It bothered me that it wasn’t
included in the diversity pro-
gram,” said Katrina Gossett, who is
a diversity educator at Notre Dame.

“Diversity is about more than
race and ethnicity,” said junior
Becca Van Schoick, who uses a
motorized mobility device to travel
around campus.

Despite using a wheelchair
and having a speech impairment,
sophomore FTT major Katrina
Gossett has enjoyed being a part
of the Pasquerilla East Musical
Revue,” she said. “I’m impressed with Howland’s dedica-
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lish an unusual requirement
for the president and Congress
to review Medicare’s finances
if the cost of the program
 grows more than expected.

The breakthrough in negoti-
ations occurred Tuesday night,
when Frist met privately in his
Capitol office with Breaux and
Sen. Max Baucus of Montana,
the two Democrats who have been
permitted to participate in House-Senate negotiations
dominated by Republicans.

The Tennessee Republican
dropped a long-standing demand for an open-ended
program of competition, and
offered to limit it to selected
portions of the country.

Congress nears Medicare agreement

Associated Press

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health care, officials said the
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lower-cost generic drugs. On
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**Stocks**

NEW YORK — Wall Street broke out of its slump Wednesday, surging higher after a forecasted jump in semiconductor sales gave investors a reason to buy after three days of declines. The Dow Jones industrials rose more than 110 points, while the Nasdaq composite index gained more than 2 percent.

Larger-cap stocks led the day, including technology bellwethers IBM Corp. and Intel Corp., which benefited from the Gartner Inc. forecast. The Nasdaq closed up 42.36, or 1.1 percent, at 9,848.83.

The broader gauges also closed higher. The Nasdaq closed up 42.36, or 2.2 percent, at 1,973.11. The Standard & Poor's 500 index gained 11.96, or 1.1 percent, to close at 1,058.53.

The market appears to be in a "consolidation phase with shallow pullbacks met with buying" said Peter Cardillo, president of Global Partner Securities Inc.

"Once the consolidation phase is over I think the second leg of this bull run will commence," Cardillo said. "That will probably take us up to new highs by the end of the year."

Fueling Wednesday's tech rally, most tech-related firms felt they expect worldwide semiconductor sales to increase more than 20 percent next year. Chipmaker Intel rose 69 cents to close at $34.10. IBM Corp. also made gains, rising $1.33 to $90.69.

**Judge denies freeze of ex-CEO's assets**

Conseco Inc. requested freeze in attempt to recover $218 million in loans

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — A judge on Wednesday denied Conseco's request to prohibit former CEO Stephen Hilbert from shifting assets as the insurer tries to recover $218 million in loan debt Conseco says he owes.

Conseco attorneys contend Hilbert, who presided over the company's two-decade rise and much of its fall, has been transferring wealth, including race horses, among various family trusts, including one for his son. Some trusts are controlled by Hilbert's wife, Tomisue Hilbert.

The Hilberts in recent years "have engaged in a pattern of transferring assets among each other in an effort to reduce Mr. Hilbert's estate to an absolute minimum," attorney Reed Oslan said.

Hilbert has denied any improper transfers. In a recent statement, he said the post-bankruptcy successor to the company has employed "a veritable army of private investigators" that has harassed his family and friends.

On Wednesday, attorneys with the company that handled Conseco's recent bankruptcy asked Circuit Court Judge Judith Proftil for a restraining order. It seeks to freeze Hilbert's assets pending a hearing in a lawsuit Conseco filed Oct. 20.

Proftil denied the motion without written comment in a written ruling handed down Thursday by the judge.

The lawsuit attempts to foreclose on the $79.4 million mortgage Conseco holds on Hilbert's 23,000-square-foot mansion near company headquarters in the Indianapolis suburb of Carmel. The foreclosure effort is part of a campaign to recover debt and interest from loans Hilbert took out in the late 1990s to buy the company's then-struggling stock.

A spokesman for Hilbert, Ennio Renz, described the request for the order as "nothing more than legal maneuvering."

Conseco is seeking a temporary order to prevent the court's consideration of the asset-transfer question pending a ruling on the overall lawsuit, Oslan said.

Hilbert and more than 150 former Conseco executives, directors and key employees took leaves in the late 1990s to buy Conseco stock in a company-sponsored program of a type now prohibited.

The biggest debtors — a group known as "The Big 11" — collectively owe $676 million, including interest, Oslan said.

Five of the top 11 debtors are in various forms of litigation as others continue talks to settle their debts.

The company puts Hilbert's balance at $155 million for the underlying loans and $62 million in interest. It says he has repaid $7 million.

Hilbert argues Conseco's shift to new board management and ownership during its Sept. 10 emergence from bankruptcy protection triggered a "change of control" clause shielding him from repayment obligations.

Hilbert, 57, now heads a business consulting company in Indianapolis.

In 1979, Hilbert helped found the company that took the name Conseco four years later. He was ousted in April 2000 along with his chief financial officer, Rollin Dick, who the company says owes nearly $97 million in loan debt and interest. Hilbert and others were unable to repay the loans when Conseco shares tumbled after taking a hit of $58 in 1998. By last December, when Conseco became the third-largest U.S. company to file for bankruptcy protection, shares were trading at less than a nickel apiece.
Real American heroes

At approximately 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 8, groups of Notre Dame fans of all ages huddled about their parked vehicles, enjoying good company, good food and maybe a drink or two before cheering on the Irish. Unbeknownst to them, nearby the parking lot, a woman, just 20 years of age, clutched her breast to a grill, flipping ham burgers with one hand and holding a Bud Light in the other. This perilous situation continued for time as countless families and students, blissfully ignorant, continued to enjoy the cool fall morning.

At exactly 11:36 a.m. a NOPD officer spotted this reprehensible holding her beer and suspected immediately that she may have been a minor in possession. Moving swiftly, the efficient team surrounded the criminal, seeing her identification and verifying that she was, indeed, just twenty years old. As the innocent bystanders who witnessed this frozen in awe, these officers simultaneously acted while the criminal without causing any injury to the many surrounding innocents.

After the chaos of this arrest abated, the parents of this deviant looked on in horror as they realized their daughter’s terrible crime. The relieved crowd erupted in cheers as the heroes proceeded onward, continuing to deflate parking lots from the persistent threat posed by minors in possession, intoxicated adults, and, worst of all, adults serving to minors.

Do you find this anecdote particularly improbable and amazing? This is but one example of how real American heroes risk life and limb each Notre Dame home football Saturday to ensure that peace and justice prevails throughout the world. Speak to anyone who traversed the tailgating battlefields each Saturday and you will hear accounts even more inspiring than my own: tales of officers able to restrain and cite an entire circle of students shouting beer; courageous officers tackling minors who had just cracked open their first beers; selfless heroes who would literally throw themselves in front of cans of beer to keep its contents from touching the lips of an underage student.

In these chaotic times, we can rest easy knowing that, regardless of what transpires in this violent world, we will always be protected by those heroes who treasure and protect the tailgating lots never really ends.

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Observer Poll
Do you support moving the Pass-in-Review, the annual procession by ROTC students, to an outside location?
Vote by 5 p.m. Thursday at www.ndsmcobserver.com

Quote of the Day
"We have just enough religion to make us hate, but not enough to make us love one another."
Jonathan Swift
Irish writer
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Any major can be successful

If David Barrett is a philosophy major, then he has not been paying attention in class. His failure to present sound reasons for the surplus of business major greatly discredits his entire argument in his Nov. 11 column. Although he is an economics major and has covered his “business bases,” he seems to know very little about being a business major. He implies that studying business maintains one’s “intellectual integrity” more poorly than reading an 800-page book. One of these two authors has read The Brothers Karamazov for class and one for pleasure; we’ll let the readers figure out who is who.

Barrett says that “college is a time for essays rather than scantrons. It should teach us to think critically and write fluently.” He assumes much regarding the business education. Rarely does a scantron test pass through the College of Business, and if he thinks that analyzing, designing and implementing an entire computer system does not require critical thinking, he is grossly mistaken. Barrett can judge for himself the fluidity of this essay, co-authored by a business major. A wise philosopher told us once that the only thing we can truly know is that we know nothing, and Barrett has disregarded this in passing judgment on business majors.

Barrett fails to take into account that the one-third of Notre Dame students enrolled in the business school may be studying business because they actually enjoy studying it. College is a time for young men and women to find out who they really are and find out what challenges them to become better versions of themselves. Some students like to read The Republic, others want to build them. Business majors are not any more or less complete because they know the intricacies of finance and may not have read Moby-Dick.

We would like to ask Barrett how his father accrued his philanthropic capital. Was he sitting on the banks of Walden painting landscapes? We would bet that the Harvard law hopeful mentioned by Barrett’s father is grateful that his benefactors were doing something more practical with their time than spending it with Plato in his case.

There are students underwhelmed and unchallenged in every college at this University. There are students who do not try and get by on barely passing grades, and there are students who wake up every morning excited about the challenges they will face in “Political Liberalism” or “Systems Analysis Design.” Students in all majors can go out and achieve, no matter what they studied as an undergraduate. Plenty of business majors go on to top law schools while Arts and Letters students are preparing to get their MBAs.

There is a certain amount of ideas and behaviors of others. For Barrett to say that there are too many business majors at Notre Dame is evidence that he has not benefited from his liberal education.

—Erin Fitzpatrick

Make us laugh

Like approximately 80 percent of Viewpoint letters, this one discusses diversity. However, the issue of diversity we discuss is one of far greater importance than those of culture and race. That’s right, we are talking about diversity in Viewpoint topics. We represent the vast majority of Viewpoint readers who are too lazy to actually write a letter. However, we have been so moved by the appalling lack of variety that we have decided to sit down, in Australia, on a beautiful sunny day in order to bring to light an important issue we feel is vastly undervalued.

Through extensive statistical research, we have found that over 76.323 percent of Viewpoint pages contain at least one letter on one of the following topics: diversity in Catholicism (including, but not limited to abortion, pre-marital sex, homosexuality and pari­ etals), the war in Iraq and human rights. Now, we have attended Notre Dame for two and a half years, which is about 400 school days, and with three to four letters published in the Viewpoint daily, that’s around 300 letters on one of these topics.

Therefore, there is no possible way that any­ one can contribute anything new to the discus­ sion of any of the aforementioned issues. Please stop trying. The next time you sit down to write an article on any of these topics, think about the poor students who have to sit through another rambling discussion on the lack of diversity on Notre Dame’s campus or how unfair pari­ etals and the war in Iraq are. Honestly, no one cares.

Now we know some of you out there are thinking, who are these idiots and why do they continue to read Viewpoint articles if they’re so disgusted with their content? We are the stu­ dents at Notre Dame who frequently skip class­ es regardless of what time they start. We are the students who go out in spite of homework assignments and use study days for strictly recreational activities.

We are the students who give Notre Dame life outside the classroom. We are also the stu­ dents who have hope that Viewpoint can be a vehicle for the discussion of new and interest­ ing topics. Let us be clear, however, that we do not read Viewpoint to expand our cultural and spiritual horizons; we read Viewpoint to laugh. As such, we have a few topic suggestions we feel would be worthwhile: yogurt machine reg­ ulation, why Zahm sucks, cab drivers that rock, the most effective techniques to steal food from Grab ‘N Go, why the sprinkling system waters the sidewalk more than the grass, the banning of sweat pants on campus, etc.

In closing, we can be nothing but optimistic that more authors like Joe Muto and Tom Raff will step forward and lift us out of the stagna­ tion that has become Viewpoint with articles that not only address relevant issues, but more importantly, make us laugh.

—Bill Benes

Don’t criticize Revue

Upon reading the article concerning the reactions of Saint Mary’s students to the Keanan Revue, I couldn’t help but think of the following quote from Jonathan Swift: “Satire is a sort of glass, wherein beholders do generally discover everybody’s face but their own.”

In addition to not seeing any part of them­ selves reflected in this satirical show, those Saint Mary’s students protesting the Revue apparently have missed the fact that it is satire in the first place.

The Revue presents its topic in outrageous, farcical and ironic ways, and its skits are therefore to be taken in jest. These Saint Mary’s students would cease to be offended if they took a step back and observed the satirical nature of the Revue. Then again, good satire is always misinterpreted by some.

—Brendan Hanahan

EDITORIAL CARTOON

Make us laugh
Across America Tour 2000 on April 1, seen here at the Vic Theatre in Chicago.

Hello Dave shared its talents around the country on the Fresh Tracks Bands Stairs and many more. Stills, REM, Tracy Chapman, Barbara Streisand and many more.

Completing the artistic trinity of Perfect Day is art director Gary Burden. Known for creating many famous album covers for legendary rock & roll bands of the 1960s and '70s, including The Eagles' Desperados, The Doors' Morrison Hotel and Joni Mitchell's Blue, he happily designed the album cover for Perfect Day. Also a three-time Grammy nominee, Burden hit the top after hooking up with photographer Henry Diltz, who documented many of the scenarios dreamed up by Burden.

The driving force behind Hello Dave has always been lead vocalist, songwriter and rhythm-guitarist Mike Himbaugh. While growing up in Michigan, Himbaugh traveled with his mother and stepfather who were heavily involved in Barber shopping, or singing in four-part harmony. This laid the seed for Himbaugh's love of music. He remembers spending many hours behind his closed bedroom door singing along to the tape recorder. This continued until college, where he began to write his own songs and take up music seriously. Since then he hasn't looked back. Now he says he is lucky enough to travel around most of the country and half the world singing his songs.

Also giving up in a musical family, bassist Allen Wetzel learned to play guitar at an early age. Music became such a large part of his life that after majoring in music in college he moved to Hollywood to pursue his dream. After a couple years of partying and starvation, Wetzel became disenchanted with the industry and moved back to Chicago. Since joining Hello Dave, Wetzel says he has had some of the best years of his life.

Lead guitarist Mike "Magoo" McGohan gave Hello Dave after playing in an acoustic set with Wetzel at an all night party. He was later asked to join Hello Dave and has been with the band for five years. McGohan had been playing guitar since college and was no stranger to music as he had been in several bands, worked making amplifiers and as a DJ all before joining the ranks of Hello Dave. McGohan brings an infections energy to the band and his blues-influenced style is something that the audience can really get behind.

Hello Dave shared its talents around the country on the Fresh Tracks Bands Across America Tour 2000 on April 1, seen here at the Vic Theatre in Chicago.

When percussionist Bryan Resendiz joined Hello Dave just after returning from Drummers Collective in Manhattan in 1995, his solid yet versatile drumming style and dedication added a talent that helped to elevate the band's playing quality to the next level. Answering an ad Hello Dave had placed for a new drummer, Resendiz was quickly added as a member to the band. With his personal musical influences being wide-ranging he introduced several new and different elements to Hello Dave's own unique rock & roll sound while confidently moving the band forward.

The fifth member of Hello Dave, keyboardist Tony Orant has brought a finishing touch to the already rich blend of sounds. Orant was addicted to music early and prides himself on probably being the only kid in America that actually asked for piano lessons. Throughout high school and college he developed his talent and his ability to play in many different genres. While playing in a band called Gertrude that opened for Hello Dave, Orant began sitting in with them as a guest and has just never left. Now as a full member of the band, Orant helps to pull it all together into the fun and original sound that Hello Dave has become known for.

Hello Dave played at Heartland a few years ago, attracting a large crowd, who seemed to enjoy the band's music.

"We haven't played for a couple weeks, since we took some time off after recording the new album, so we are excited to play again," said Himbaugh.

Hello Dave will play their show beginning at 9 p.m. Friday night at Legends. Admission is free and requires a Nomad, Saint Mary's or Holy Cross ID.

For more information about Hello Dave, visit the band's official website at www.hellodave.com. or sample some of their music at www.freshtracksmusic.com.

Hello Dave, featuring a mix of classic rock and bold pop and served with a side of country, is featured this week as one of the many hot new bands at Legends.
FreshTracksMusic.com is a convenient, cheap and legal source of MP3s as well as a great place to be introduced to the latest names in music.

By SARAH VABULAS
Scene Editor

Chicago-based FreshTracksMusic might have stumbled upon the answer for a music industry looking for a way to truly reconnect with the file-sharing generation of new music fans. By combining a legal, powerful music download alternative to file-sharing programs such as Kazaa with a decade of experience and enduring relationships across the national music landscape, FreshTracksMusic is poised to capture what co-founders John Wanzung and Kip Schaumloffel saw as the most valuable segment of today's music industry.

"FreshTracksMusic is about building a community on- and off-line where music fans feel that they will always be able to find something cool to listen to and/or download," Wanzung said.

And that's what they have done. Launched in July 2003, FTM has been steadily getting the word out through grassroots channels to build a credible foundation of new members that appears to be picking up steam as they head into the upcoming holiday season.

FreshTracksMusic started seven years ago. Wanzung received a business degree from Vanderbilt University and was the social chair at his fraternity, looking many hands. After taking a few years off to ski in Colorado, Wanzung became the Manager of FreshTracks band, Hello Dave, and then hooked up with Schaumloffel, becoming partners.

During the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Wanzung decided to start sending great, new music to fans everywhere. And so FreshTracksMusic began.

"It started as an 'of the month' type of deal," Wanzung said. "We sent two CDs in the mail each month. Creed was the first band we sent out. We stopped doing that and now we send you one free CD of your choice from the Fresh Tracks catalog."

New members of Fresh Tracks will receive as part of their deal, a free copy of any CD in the FreshTracksMusic catalog. They will be asked to browse the catalog and let us know which CD they want, and we will send it to them as part of their gift membership.

At the heart of their early success, a number of factors have come into play. First, FTM believes that downloading should be an "all-you-can-eat" buffet for music downloading. Wanzung said, "It costs about $3 a month or $36 a year. You can listen to anything and download what you like. We post samples that you can download. It is a simple, friendly and easy way to download and be legal. When you sign up, we'll even send you a free CD of your choice from the Fresh Tracks catalog."

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Associated Press  

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Much like the New Jersey Nets, New Jersey had no answer for Tim Duncan — even Jason Kidd producing a triple-double. Duncan had a season-high 31 points and 12 rebounds and the defending champion San Antonio Spurs defeated the Nets 85-71 Wednesday night in the first meeting between the teams since the championship round.

Tony Parker added 17 points in just the second game since the season and Manu Ginobili had 12 points and eight rebounds as the Spurs won their second straight game since Duncan and Parker returned to the lineup. Kidd, who spurred a free agencyodus from the Spurs in the offseason, had 14 points, 13 assists and 12 rebounds for his second career triple-double and the 52nd of his career.

Kenyon Martin added 14 points and 10 rebounds in his first game since spraining his left ankle Oct. 31.

The Nets also couldn’t overcome long stretches of cold shooting, an indicator of what happened in the finals when they were swept by the Spurs.

Antonio McDyess added six and Malik Rose had five, including just before the halftime buzzer.

The disappointingly small crowd of 12,969 was on hand for the Nets’ season opener and 11,743 was the crowd when the game returned on a spectacular block by Martin early in the third quarter.

Duncan got the rebound in the lane and went up for a shot as a six added six and Malik Rose had five, including just before the halftime buzzer.

The block got the Nets and the crowd on their feet.


duncan reaches to block the ball during the game Wednesday. Duncan was a key asset to the Spurs, including reaching a season-high 31 points and 12 rebounds.

In the fourth, any chance Cleveland had to rally was taken away by turnovers. James was wide open from 18 feet with 4:35 remaining, but never got the chance to shoot after the Cavaliers were whiffed for a three-second violation.

Chicago led 23-21 after the first period led by 12 points from Kendall Gill, who was 5-of-6 from the floor in the opening period.

The Celtics took their final lead of the night, 44-42, on a 3-pointer by James, in 3:14 in the second period. Rose responded with a 3-pointer on Chicago’s next possession, and the Bulls led 47-44 at the break.

James had 18 points and Pierce 14 for the Celtics, whose two-game winning streak was snapped.

Memphis 107, Orlando 97

Memphis Grizzlies withstood a season-high 36 points from Tracy McGrady and handed the Orlando Magic their seventh consecutive loss, 107-97 Wednesday night.

Forwards Paul Gasol and James Posey had 24 and 24 points, respectively, in leading the Grizzlies to their second win in five games.

The Grizzlies, who beat the Lakers on Monday night, used their superior front court to dominate the game and closed it out with a 15-0 run featuring two 3-pointers by Posey and one by Jason Williams.

McGrady scored with 6:42 remaining, giving the Magic their last lead, 89-87. It was the only basket of the fourth period, and McGrady limped off in the final seconds with a strained tendon in his left ankle.

The Magic held a 47-37 rebounding edge, but their lack of balance cost them. Orlando is off to the worst home start (0-6) in franchise history.

Mike Miller, who was traded from Orlando to Memphis last season, fouled out in just 12 minutes after scoring eight points.

Memphis led 55-49 at intermission despite a 25-point first half by McGrady.

McGrady gave the crowd a scare in the second period when he crashed to the floor holding his left knee. After being helped off the court, he returned.

The Magic, much like they have through their entire losing streak, struggled badly at the start by missing their first 11 shots in a 10-0 Memphis lead 10-0 before McGrady hit a pair of free throws.
McKeon, Pena earn Manager of the Year honors in 2003

New York Yankees in the World Series. It was McKeon’s first time in the postseason.

He started in professional baseball as a player in 1949 and became a manager six years later. His major league managing career began in 1973 with Kansas City, and he went on to manage Oakland, San Diego and Cincinnati.

“The biggest thing I think I’ve learned is patience and understanding today’s young players and realizing these guys are looking for someone to guide them,” McKeon said. “They’re looking for instruction and they’re looking for motivation.”

Dusty Baker, a three-time winner of the award, finished second with 62 points after leading the Cubs to the NL Central title in his first season as Chicago’s manager.

“It’s a sick thing. He earned it,” Baker said, saying Syracuse basketball coach Jim Boeheim put things in perspective during an interview a few days ago.

“He was saying it took him 27 years to win a championship. I’m on No. 12 now. Jack is on what? Fifty-something?” Baker said. “Whoa! Lord have mercy. I don’t have nothing to be sad about. Nothing.”

McKeon is not thinking about retirement any time soon.

“I’m not going to go home and sit in the rocking chair and drive that tractor,” he said. “I hope to do it as long as I’m healthy enough and feel it’s still enjoyable.”

Pena was an overwhelming choice for the AL award, getting 24 first-place votes and 130 points. Minnesota’s Ron Gardenhire was second with four firsts and 44 points.

“When they told me, I got on my knees to thank God. Then I cried with my family,” Pena said on a telephone interview from his home in Santiago, Dominican Republic. “There are no words to describe what I feel.”

After the unexpected success this season, Pena thinks more will be expected from Kansas City next year.

“Everybody believes we have a good chance to win,” he said.

Pena, 46, took over the Royals in May 2002 and Kansas City finished 62-100. The Royals won their first nine games this year, got off to a 16-3 start and were 5-1 at the All-Star break, leading the AL Central by seven games.

But they slumped in the second half and wound up 83-79, their first winning season since 1994. Kansas City used 29 pitchers, including an AL-high 15 starters, and set a team record by using 53 players.

“We did not run out of bullets, we just ran out of time,” Pena said.

He is onl y t he s e c o n d

Dominican to win manager of the year. Felipe Alou, who replaced Baker in San Francisco after the 2002 season, was NL Manager of the Year in 1994, when he was with Montreal.

“Felipe was the one that opened the gate for us,” he said. “Dominicans, including all Latinos, are showing that we can take on large responsibilities in baseball. We know how to do more than throw hard or hit well.”
what's happening

Saturday 11.15
Handbell Choir CD Release Concert The Notre Dame Handbell choir and instrumentalists will debut their new recording, "Echoes of Joy" 10:00 a.m. Eck Visitors' Center

Wednesday Nov. 19
Graduate Student Christian Fellowship 8:00 p.m. Wilson Commons The Gospel according to Bono: Pray with Africa Presented by Interfaith Christian Night Prayer 10:00 p.m. Coleman-Morse Lounge
Theology on Tap 10:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. Legends

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Unlimited Minutes
Can You Hear Me Now?
by Chandra Johnson
Assistant Director, Cross Cultural Ministry

Just about everyone these days has a cell phone clipped to their waist or nestled in their backpack. Even I have one. Although I must admit I'm still a novice user. It took me three months to figure out that by pressing the little button on the side of the phone, I could hear better. I wasn't losing my hearing after all! And I continue to be amazed when each time I flip up the pad protector, a voice always asks, "Who would you like to call?" Compact, practical, and indispensable, the cell phone keeps our family, friends and the entire world at our fingertips twenty-four hours a day. What a blessing. Or is it?

When I drive around campus, I can't help but notice students walking with one hand over their ear and head pointed toward the ground. You're in deep conversation with someone who, at that moment, has your undivided attention. Instant access is a modern marvel indeed, however, I often wonder if its utilization has ushered out the age of contemplation and ushered in an age of modern self-segregation?

I raised the cell phone craze with a group of students last week and somehow we got on the subject of intuition and wisdom, and how you get it. We began to evaluate the many layers of our lives and how it is becoming harder and harder to settle down to pray. How does one shut out the BlackBerry world to hear the voice of reason when making decisions? How do we know when the edge is closer than we think? How do we feel God and not the pressured anxiety of the next meeting or class?

I reminded them that the word "cell" did not always mean "cellular telephone". Once upon a time a cell was a lifeless thing. "In wisdom is a spirit intelligent, holy, unique, clear, unhampered, beneficent, kindly, firm, secure, tranquil, all powerful, all-seeing...[f]or wisdom is mobile beyond all motion, and she penetrates and pervades all things by reason of her purity. (7:22-8:1) Wisdom's fluidity points to the question of today's gospel where Jesus is asked by the Pharisees when the Kingdom of God will come. Jesus answers, "The coming of the Kingdom of God cannot be observed, and no one will announce [it]. For behold, the Kingdom of God is among you." (Luke 17:20-25) Among whom? Where? How will we know it and what does it look like? In today's Mass, we are comforted in knowing that wisdom is everywhere, we just have to stop long enough to listen for and recognize her counsel. The Kingdom of which Jesus speaks is right before our eyes. It is among us. It is in us. It is mobile, flawless and travels with us everywhere. It is all we know God to be. It is the peace of Jesus Christ. It is the power of the Spirit.

As we prepare for the Advent Season, let us engage in a renewed rite of communication. Let us use our unlimited minutes to call up God, contemplate Christ, and embrace the Spirit within. There is an entire library of wisdom inside of you just waiting to reveal itself as your life in motion. Go to it and trust that all you desire to be is within reach. The measure of your hard work will be revealed when you least expect it.

So now...who would you like to call? Take a moment to have a conversation with God. Go to the Grotto, your dorm chapel, the Basilica, the silence of your room—anywhere you can find peace and quiet. And sit. Be silent. Be still. Go within and listen quietly. "Can you hear me now? Good."
**NFL**

Vick practices for first time since leg injury

Baltimore Ravens. Vick returned to practice Wednesday for the first time since the injury.

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Michael Vick is taken off the field after breaking his right leg in an exhibition game against the Tennessee Titans.

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**Gannon goes for season with injury**

Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Rich Gannon, last year's NFL MVP, will miss the rest of the season and have surgery on his throwing shoulder.

The Oakland Raiders placed their quarterback on injured reserve Wednesday.

The 37-year-old Gannon attempted to throw with his right shoulder Tuesday for the first time since injuring it Oct. 20, but couldn't raise his arm to throw, coach Bill Callahan said.

Gannon, a 16-year veteran, flew home to Minnesota on Wednesday to be examined by the same doctor who performed his shoulder surgery after his 1993 season.

"It's extremely tough to lose a player of this caliber," said Bill Callahan Raiders Head Coach.

"I'm not surprised. I kind of expected it — not only when it happened, but the fact he was unable to come back the last couple weeks." Callahan is holding out hope that Gannon would be ready by spring minicamps. If not, his future with the franchise could be uncertain, because he's scheduled to make $7 million next season.

"I feel terrible for him," Callahan said. "If there's anybody capable of coming back from injury and fighting through it and getting back on the field, there's anybody who wants to be home when next season rolls around is Don Zimmer, the fiery former bench coach who famously rushed Boston pitcher Pedro Martinez on the field, and left the Yankees after saying he felt unappreciated by owner George Steinbrenner.

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**Clemens retirement to go forward**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — With thoughts of an Olympic medal now gone, Roger Clemens insisted his retirement will go forward as planned.

"No scenario," Clemens said Wednesday when asked what might entice him to pitch next season. "I'm retired."

"I'll come back and be a really expensive batting practice pitcher and then, if somebody goes down, they can work on me."

The future Hall of Famer acknowledged that he had thoughts of pitching for the U.S. Olympic baseball team before the defending gold-medal champions were eliminated from a qualifying tournament in Panama last week.

"I'm shaking my head just like everyone else that they're going to have an Olympics and we, the United States, is not going to be represented there," Clemens said. "That's kind of a shame."

An Olympic medal is about the only thing missing from Clemens' resume. He is baseball's only six-time Cy Young Award winner, 17th on the all-time list with 310 victories and third with 4,099 strikeouts.

He also has two World Series rings. Clemens said that his agents wanted to make him available as a free agent — his name was officially filed last week — but the plan didn't get far.

"I heard that and immediately my four boys picked up my option and said 'You're staying here,'" Clemens said. Another person expecting to be home when next season rolls around is Don Zimmer, the fiery former bench coach who famously rushed Boston pitcher Pedro Martinez on the field, and left the Yankees after saying he felt unappreciated by owner George Steinbrenner.

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**MLB**

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Miami of Ohio's Ben Roethlisberger waits for the snap during a win over Cincinnati earlier this fall. Roethlisberger led his team in their 45-6 win over Marshall Wednesday, earning Miami the MAC East title.

Miami beats Marshall for MAC title

Associated Press

OXFORD, Ohio — Ben Roethlisberger passed for 282 yards and two touchdowns through a howling wind Wednesday night, leading No. 23 Miami of Ohio to a 45-6 victory that ended Marshall's dominance of the Mid-American Conference.

Playing with their first national ranking since 1976, the Redhawks (9-1, 6-0) got their ninth straight victory and their most meaningful one yet.

Marshall (6-4, 4-2) had won all six MAC East titles since the league split into two divisions in 1997. Miami's win clinched the title and a berth in the conference's championship game.

There were no clashes during a wind-blown game that had bitter undertones from last year, when quarterback Stan Hill's 1-yard run with 5 seconds left gave the Thundering Herd a 36-34 victory in Huntington, W.Va.

Fans stormed the field and Miami defensive coordinator Jon Wauford was led away in handcuffs, accused of knocking down a fan. Wauford resigned after the season, and a charge of misdemeanor battery later was dropped.

Linebackers coach Taver Johnson also was disciplined for damaging the visiting coaches' box at the end of the game.

Three security officers stood watch over Marshall coach Bob Pruit on the field Wednesday. Most of the crowd of 26,286 had left by game's end.

Roethlisberger had no problems throwing in a gusting wind that whistled through the end zone banners, making the goalpost uprights sway more than a foot.

He put Miami ahead to stay with a 14-yard touchdown pass to Matt Brandt on a game-opening drive into the wind and finished it off with a 10-yard TD pass in the fourth quarter.

The junior quarterback joined Marshall's Chad Pennington and Byron Leftwich as the only MAC players to throw for 3,000 yards in three seasons.

Roethlisberger, who completed 18 of 29 passes, also made the game's signature play, putting his head down and running over linebacker Gladstone Ceke for a 14-yard gain that kept the opening drive going.

By contrast, Marshall's Graham Geenchard had problems with the wind and the defensive pressure.

In Brief

Agassi wins over Ferrero for chance at semifinals

André Agassi righted himself quickly enough to beat Juan Carlos Ferrero and give Andy Roddick the year-end No. 1 ranking.

After a miserable 1 1/2 sets, Agassi suddenly began finding his strokes and came back to stun Ferrero 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 Wednesday night at the Tennis Masters Cup.

Ferrero fell to 0-2 in the round-robin portion of the $3.65 million tournament and can't possibly qualify for the semifinals, which means he won't accumulate enough points in the last event of 2003 to pass Roddick.

Agassi (1-1) can reach the semifinals by beating No. 8 David Nalbandian next.

Roddick, meanwhile, didn't have to set foot on court Wednesday. He replaced Ferrero — the man he beat in the U.S. Open final — at No. 1 in the ATP Tour computer rankings last week and, at 21, will be the third-youngest player to close a season there.

Roddick (3-0) faces No. 6 Rainer Schuettler on Thursday.

In Wednesday's other match, Wimbledon champion Roger Federer defeated Nalbandian for the first time in six pro meetings, 6-3, 6-0. Agassi's win over Ferrero allowed Federer (2-0) to claim a semifinal berth.

Through the first 15 games, Agassi had 24 unforced errors to Ferrero's nine. Agassi was slow off foot and just kept missing shots he usually at least keeps in play.

Yankees to keep Rodriguez, won't yet consider Schilling

PHOENIX — Alex Rodriguez is not on the trading block. And any deal for Carl Schilling to New York probably won't happen this week — even after the Arizona ace agreed to speak directly to the Yankees.

But the Milwaukee Brewers could be close to trading star first baseman Richie Sexson, with the Arizona Diamondbacks the likely destination.

Those were the developments of Day 3 of baseball's general managers' meeting on Wednesday.

Discussions did not involve Rodriguez, said Texas Rangers general manager John Hart, who did his best to shoot down trade rumors involving his superstar shortstop.

"I think we've got the best player in the game. We love him. We have no interest in dealing Alex Rodriguez," Hart said. "We're not having any conversations with any team about Alex Rodriguez. If anybody were to call, of course we'd listen, but we're not interested in any way, shape or form in trading Alex Rodriguez."

Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said he did not expect his team to make any deals this week — for Schilling or anyone else.

Next month's meetings in New Orleans would be "more realistic time" for any trade, Cashman said.

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Virginia at Maryland 7:30 p.m., ESPN

Golf

WGC World Cup 2 p.m., ESPN

Motorcycle Racing

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Masters Cup 3 p.m., ESPN2
Saturday rolls around.

"Other than that you're curious as to how they can get themselves back up to game speed in that length of time," Willingham said.

The game will mark the Cougars first appearance back in South Bend since 1994 when BYU upset the Irish 21-14 for its only win in the series.

Injury bug still biting

As the season rolls on for the Irish, the grind of playing from day to day continues to take its toll as the injuries have started to pile up.

On the defensive side of the ball, two senior starters — safety Glenn Earl and defensive end Kyle Budinscak — will be out for the season, according to Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham.

Earl injured his knee in the Southern Cal game and had surgery last week to repair the injury, leaving him sidelined for the season. Budinscak, who has another year of eligibility remaining with Notre Dame, was injured in the Florida State game.

On the other side of the ball, tight end Anthony Fasano and right guard Dan Stevenson were both listed as questionable for Saturday's game with BYU. Both Fasano and Stevenson were started at the right guard position in place of Stevenson.

Kicker Nicholas Seita also appears to be out for the BYU game, as Willingham said he was not optimistic about the senior's return this week. Willingham did say, however, that if Seita were to return healthy, he would be the starter again at kicker and punter.

Willingham still refused to comment on the nature of Seita's injury.

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mimg team Saint Mary's has ever had," Petcoff said.

The Belles have been off to a strong start as the season began during the first weekend of October at the Notre Dame Relays meet. As the dual meets began Nov. 1, Fitzpatrick was able to showcase her dominance in the 200 backstroke with a school record time of 2:18.40.

Last weekend, another school record was broken by the 200 medley relay Fitzpatrick was a part of with a time of 1:55.75.

On a relay team dominated by seniors, it is easy to imagine the difficulties involved in transitioning from a high school team captain to a college freshman competing with upperclassmen.

But the transition has actually been anything but strenuous.

"All the upperclassman tell us what Greg's [Petcoff's] expectations are and what he expects," Fitzpatrick said. "All the upperclassmen are extremely supportive and I'm enjoying swimming a lot more. A big part of that is the team."

This mindset is a significant change to the mentality Fitzpatrick suffered from earlier this year.

"After swimming year round and competing in high school, I reached a plateau. I became unmotivated," Fitzpatrick said.

But once reaching college, Fitzpatrick experienced a different type of training as Petcoff focused more upon the "dry" aspects of swimming, such as weightlifting.

Despite her success, Fitzpatrick has set higher goals for the rest of the season.

"I want to become a leader for the team in different parts of the team, not just in the pool," she said.

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After a rocky start of the year, the offensive line has allowed no sacks in last 3 games

By CHRIS FEDERICO  
Sports Writer

It's been a real trial by fire for the Notre Dame offensive line through the first nine games of the 2003 season. The Irish began the year with a near completely rebuilt offensive line as only one true starter returned — senior guard Sean Milligan. Things got off to a rocky start for the inexperienced squad as it allowed seven quarterback sacks in the home opener against Washington State. A season-ending injury to Milligan in the Michigan game, an injury to right guard Ian Stevenson in the Florida State game and the flip-flopping of Zach Giles and Bobby Morton at center have caused nine different players to start along the Irish offensive line this year.

But the Irish have overcome this rash of injuries and position changes along the line and settled into their roles in the second half of the season, as in the last three games, they have not allowed a single sack on rookie quarterback Brady Quinn. Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham attributes the improvement along the offensive line to the increased amount of experience and playing time they have seen this year.

"As the guys continue to get more time on the field, I believe they develop what I call a library of football information, which really is more experience," Willingham said. "And the more experience you become, the more accustomed you are to gain speed, the more accustomed you are to changes and adjustments that take place." Willingham has noted that it has been the finer points of the game that the offensive line has picked up most as the players along that position have gained more experience and time on the field.

"It's the little things, just like getting set at the right — at the same level, which when you play like a stunt, everybody can still have it's just great to have him around," Willingham said of his opponent's extended hands of Boise State on Oct. 30. "It means that there's always something new that they will put into their system that we may not have seen or that might be a little different than we anticipate," Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said of his opponent's extended layoff. The flip side of the coin is that the Cougars may be a little rusty, having not played an actual game for 16 days by the time Notre Dame enters the Cotton Bowl, helping the Irish overcome a 34-12 deficit to top Houston 35-34 as time expired.

“Anytime that you have a player of the stature of Joe Montana, it's just great to have him around,” Willingham said of the quarterback's guest speaker. "If he were to just pass us on the street, it would be a great thing. But when we have an opportunity to have him come speak to our banquet, and I know he will say something inspirational to our young men that will be a stepping stone for them to improve and be better in the future and not just from a football standpoint, but from a life standpoint — you have to treasure it." Montana went on to win four Super Bowl titles with the San Francisco 49ers in the National Football League. He was inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame in 2000.

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BYU back to the field

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