Mooney looks to future as 11th SMC president

ND VP will take over June 1

By ANNELEISE WOOLFORD
Saint Mary's Editor

The Saint Mary's Board of Trustees named Carol Mooney, Notre Dame associate provost, to be the 11th president of the college. She will take office on June 1.

Community prepares to welcome new president

By NATALIE BAILEY
News Writer

Some at Saint Mary's are impressed by her previous leadership positions, others appreciate that she is a woman and others love that she is an alumna. Whatever the reason, most faculty and students support the Board of Trustees' selection of Carol Mooney as the eleventh president of Saint Mary's.

"I know Carol Mooney and am thrilled that she was selected," current president Marilou Elder said. "She is an excellent leader and will position the college well for continued success."

Students were invited to take part of the selection process by attending student forum sessions planned for each candidate's visit. In addition, students had the opportunity to make their comments and concerns known to the Board of Trustees.

Mooney, who was vice president of finance and administrative services for the University of Wisconsin-Madison, was appointed to the position in June 2002. She is expected to become Notre Dame's 11th president on July 1, 2004.

She said, "I am excited about the opportunity to lead the College and to be part of this community. I look forward to working with the faculty, students, staff and parents to continue the tradition of excellence at Saint Mary's College."
INSIDE COLUMN

Love the Eagles

If you're not an Eagles fan already, you should be. Period. There is no logical argument against this:

I don't care if you grew up in Chicago, Dallas, Miami, Boston or — heaven forbid — Pittsburgh. The Linc welcomes all fans. You're old enough to pick your loyalty. Grew up in Texas? Jump off the Cowboys bandwagon already and support the green of the City of Brotherly Love. Chicago native? It's time to get over the 2001 divisional playoff loss and root for the modern powerhouse in the NFC. We're not in the 80's anymore. Bonus: Donovan McNabb is from Chicago, but his loyalty belongs in Philadelphia — shouldn't yours?

I understand that you might need to explain to your friends from home why you're switching allegiances.

Don't worry — it might be awkward now, but they'll appreciate your wisdom someday. So out of sympathy with your neophyte status, here are a few logical reasons to proudly support the Eagles on their quest for their first Super Bowl title.

One: Donovan McNabb is simply McNabb.

After Rush Limbaugh's racist comments, he led a 3-3 team to finish 10-4, became November NFL Player of the Month and brought the Birds to the NFC title game for the third straight year. Against the Packers on Sunday, he rushed for 107 yards on 11 attempts — an NFL playoff record for a quarterback. His 19 second-quarter passes for 248, including a fourth-and-26 conversion against a Cover-2 defense late in the fourth quarter to set up the game-tying field goal. McNabb stepped up on big-time plays to get the victory.

I love him. A lot. A whole lot. Two: Andy Reid. OK, he kind of looks like a walrus. But he has an instinct for coaching and confidence in his Eagles — deservedly.

Three: 'Fly, Eagles, fly, on the road to victory...'

The Notre Dame Victory March it's not, but the wonderfully cheesy fight song of the Eagles captures the perfor­mance — and high expectations — that no one has ever seen a Super Bowl win. And my last reason for loving the Eagles is Philadelphia — most notably, the fans.

They overcome disappointment, like the Phillips losing the NL wild card playoff spot to Florida, to rally behind the football team raising their hopes yet again. Eagles fans, whether unruly fans received immediate consequences for their actions, are no longer necessary. As late Philadelphia pitcher Tug McGraw said so eloquently, "You gotta believe." And I do. Fly, Eagles, fly.

The Linc.

Love the Eagles.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS GIFT?

Andy Callian
Junior Off-Campus
The "best Rolex $20 can buy in Thailand."

Anne Mulligan
Junior Pangburn
"Two pounds of nats."

Brian Vitoria
Junior Off-Campus
"A mail-order bride."

Jen Connolly
Junior Pasquerilla East
"Didgeridoo."

Kevin Boyle
Junior Off-Campus
"A monkey butler to serve me."

Patrick Ross
Senior Off-Campus
"All expenses paid trip to the Neverland Ranch."

The University reinitiated construction on campus in several locations over the holiday break. Pictured above is the ongoing work near Stepan Center, slated to house campus security. Work has also begun in front of Loftus, the location of a new science center.

OFFBEAT

Owner thinks cat's marks honor Earnhardt

DELAND, Fla. — First it was the Dale Earnhardt goat, now it's the Dale Earnhardt cat.

David Albury was at home recuperating from surgery several months ago when he noticed the black fur on his cat's back was shaped in the number 3. "The fur screamed 'Dale Earnhardt'" to Albury. He told his wife of 30 years, "Valerie, we're rich."

Albary, a NASCAR fan who regularly watches the races on television, called up the Daytona International Speedway to see if officials there were interested. The Speedway officials suggested he call Dale Earnhardt Inc. based in North Carolina. He has yet to get a reply.

Earnhardt died in 2001 during a crash in the Daytona 500. The legendary driver's car bore the number 3.

Man charged with riding his bike drunk

LONDONDERRY, N.H. — A man charged with riding his mountain bike drunk will get his day in court. Timothy Bradley, 44, of Londonderry was charged with driving under the influence last July. His driver's license had been suspended after a drunken driving conviction in Massachusetts the year before.

His lawyer says the charge should be dismissed, because the state's drunken driving laws apply only to people operating motor vehicles. He says Bradley was doing the right thing by riding his bicycle instead of getting behind the wheel.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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IN BRIEF

Dance the night away at Legend's Nightclub Dancing Thursday through Saturday from 12 a.m. to 4 a.m.

The Student Activities Office is sponsoring Open Billiards from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m. Thursday through Saturday at ND Express in the LaFortune Student Center.

The Joyce Ice Arena will host a College Student Skate this Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. There is a $3 skater rental fee.

Sign up for BisciSports for a cross-country ski clinic to be held Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. located in the old golf pro shop of the Rockne Memorial. The pro ship will also hold an open house at that time.

The Center for Social Concerns will hold an interviewing workshop for students applying for this summer's service programs. The workshop will take place Jan. 20 from 5 to 6 p.m. in the CSC building.

Submit information about events to obsnews@nd.edu.
Carol Ann Mooney
Saint Mary's 11th President
Became Notre Dame Vice President and Assistant Provost in 1996
Has been actively involved in Notre Dame committees:
University Committee on Cultural Diversity
Academic Council
Provost's Advisory Committee
Academic Affirmative Action Committee
Laetare Medal and Notre Dame Award selection committees
Graduated from Saint Mary's College in 1972 with a B.A. in English, and received her J.D. from the University of Notre Dame Law School in 1977, graduating first in her class.

Before becoming vice president, Mooney was significantly involved in the Notre Dame law school, but Hatch said the law school will not be greatly affected by her departure.

"...Since she's been in the provost office for seven years, she has had less involvement," Hatch said of Mooney's relationship with the law school.

He said that Mooney, as a "women's feminist and devout Catholic," is "superbly positioned to lead a Catholic women's college."

Mooney feels that she will be effective in helping strengthen and maintain the brother-sister relationship between Saint Mary's and Notre Dame. She said she is grateful for the continued support she receives on a daily basis.

"My colleagues at Notre Dame have always encouraged me to meet the challenge of my new role," she said. "I believe in our guiding principles and that our students are well prepared for leadership roles in society."

Mooney also said that the role as provost at Notre Dame would most likely not be limited to the provost position, but could include another leadership role.

Mooney's appointment as provost was announced in March 1996, and she was confirmed by the Board of Trustees earlier this month. An official decision was made shortly thereafter.

Mooney said she first became interested in the position after receiving encouragement from others.

"I need to understand their needs. I need to understand their experiences and what they need," she said. "I need to understand their vision for the university."
Flood
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In addition to the current periodicals section, portions of the lower level, the faculty/staff lounge located on the first floor and the special collections area were also affected.
Lou Jordan, head of special collections, said that approximately 150-200 books in the rare books and special collection area of the library were suspected of suffering some water damage, although none were damaged irreversibly.
Jordan said that the vast majority of the damage was only to specially made plastic coverings that protect many of the rare books. Jordan estimated that only 15-30 books actually suffered some water damage and that this damage was often confined to only a few pages and could be treated by the preservation staff.
"It was an emergency situation, but we really averted a disaster because of all of the people helping out," he said.
He also said that approximately 20 staff members, including a team that responds to emergencies using specific preservation techniques, worked to save the rare books. He said that help from the police and fire department, as well as bystanders, ensured that no books were destroyed.
The department was closed for two days for repairs, Jordan said. The Risk Management and Safety department quickly contracted a consulting firm, Munsters, to make repairs.

The firm has been removing and repairing the ruptured ceiling, using fans and special tubing pumping in dry air to remove moisture and cleaning carpets and other damaged areas. Younger and Butterwick said they expect the firm will complete its work today.
University facilities will absorb all costs associated with repairing the building, which leaves the library to foot costs associated with lost staff time.
Younger said that a final report of the library's costs will be sent to risk management, which is in charge of the University's insurance, in about one month for reimbursement; however, he said that she expects very little money.
"We don't know whether there will be any money coming back to us," she said. "[But this doesn't look to be a huge financial burden. It will mean some penny pinching, but it won't have an effect on next year's budget."
Library officials nonetheless said that the potential for damage could have been great compared to what was actually experienced. Butterwick said the flood's occurrence at a time when students were not present and when the majority of library staff was available to assist in controlling the damage limited the event's impact.
"The damage is not as high as might have been expected," Butterwick said, "due to prompt action by library and other campus staff. I was very impressed by the way that people pulled together."

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Governor warns lawmakers
Conn. executive uses threats to stave off impeachment

Associated Press
HARTFORD, Conn. — In what some lawmakers are taking as a veiled threat, Gov. John G. Rowland is warning legislators that their own ethical shortcomings could come to light if they press for his impeachment.
"He said when the press gets tired of him, they will start on us," said Democratic Rep. Michael Lawlor, recalling a recent meeting at the governor's mansion. "It was clearly highlighted in the discussion and inappropriately so, I thought."

Other lawmakers — including some of those who have called on Rowland to step down — said they did not see the governor's remarks as a threat. They said Rowland was merely pointing out a political reality.
"I personally have never felt threatened by Gov. Rowland," said John Kiesel, one of 11 GOP state senators who urged Rowland to resign.
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Dean Pagani, Rowland's chief of staff, said some lawmakers were the ones who brought up the idea that they, too, could have ethical violations that might become known.
"It's on the minds of lawmakers as this process goes forward," Pagani said. "They realize there is the potential for unintended consequences."

The governor is under federal investigation and is facing threats of impeachment and calls for his resignation for accepting free renovations on his summer cottage and then lying about it. Rowland has said that the gift-givers were friends and that he did not promise them anything in exchange.

A draft ruling released Tuesday by the State Ethics Commission's executive director says public officials cannot accept expensive gifts from employees or state contractors.

Rowland's legal counsel, Ross Garber, disagreed with commission Executive Director Alan Polsky's opinion, which did not directly address Rowland's actions.

"Current law prohibits a public official from using his office for financial gain and taking gifts from those doing business with his agency," Garber said. "It does not say what Mr. Polsky contends."

The commission has planned a hearing on the issue Friday.

Also Tuesday, the Connecticut Post became the eighth daily newspaper in the state to call for the governor to resign. But despite the mounting pressure, Rowland made it clear that he is staying put.
"I've made mistakes. I've apologized for those mistakes. I've taken responsibility for those mistakes and now it's time to govern," he told a crowd of reporters who followed him and his wife, Patty, to his car after a speaking engagement Tuesday.

Rowland is scheduled to meet privately Wednesday with Democratic House Speaker Moira Lyons, who must decide whether the House should go ahead with impeachment.

If he were impeached in the House, a two-thirds majority in the Senate would be required to remove Rowland from office.

Lyons' staff said she has not made her decision yet. Rowland believes she will likely call for some form of committee to look into his conduct, Pagani said.

"We have been told there is going to be a committee. We don't know the details," Pagani said. "He is looking forward to a process that is fair and deliberative."

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Next few dates:
Wednesday, January 21st -
Michael Heintz
"Life Beyond the Dome"

Wednesday, January 28th -
Cathleen Kaveny
"Jesus, Buffy, & You"

Wednesday, February 4th -
Lawrence Cunningham
"Does God Really Listen?"

Senior Night!
Wednesday, January 21st
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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**U.N. official missing in crash of Uzbek plane**

Indonesia — A Japanese diplomat was killed Wednesday when a plane crashed into Java’s Mount Merapi, which is one of the world’s most active volcanoes. It is the latest in a series of plane crashes that haveleft hundreds of people dead or missing.

**Serial killer commits suicide**

Canada — A convicted serial killer who was found hanged in his prison cell has been identified as a 51-year-old man who had been on the run for more than a year. The man was last seen in the Vancouver area.

**Animal disease lab upgraded**

Iowa lab receives funding after mad cow disease found in state of Washington

Associated Press

AMBES — Iowa

Iowa Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman broke ground Tuesday on the government’s new animal disease complex and said President Bush would announces $170 million for it. Veneman said the upgrade of the lab in Ames, where tens of thousands of samples are tested each year, will help guard against mad cow disease.

**STATE NEWS**

**Governor’s address criticized**

Indiana — Governor Mitch Daniels made a speech Tuesday night in which he said Indiana’s dire economy and government scandals had been resolved. Many critics, however, found the speech lacking in specifics.

**NATIONAL NEWS**

**Supreme Court OK’s roadblocks**

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court ruled Tuesday that police may set up roadblocks to collect tips about crimes, rejecting concerns that authorities might use the checkpoints to fish for unrelated suspicious activity.

Andrea Kuchy, a member of the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, participated in a demonstration outside of the Miami Roadhouse Grille restaurant. She said, "If this situation continues ... we will not be able to survive the pressure that we are under."

**West Bank**

Palestinians receive financial aid

Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Hit by waning support from fatigued donor nations, the Palestinian Authority has been forced to borrow from banks to pay salaries to its 125,000 employees and may be unable to meet its February payroll, the economy minister said Tuesday.

Breakthroughs in the West Bank war on terrorism have come with a heavy price. The new security measures have locked Israeli and Palestinian citizens in a cycle of violence and reprisal.

In the southern Gaza Strip, Israeli troops killed a Palestinian who opened fire on them, the army said. While in the West Bank, Israeli forces withdrew, lifting a curfew, the military said.

Also Tuesday, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon hinted that Israel might pull out of the Gaza Strip. His comments came as he pushed mostly undisclosed plans for unilateral pullbacks from the West Bank and Gaza Strip if peace talks fail.
Test scores to affect teacher pay

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In her 24th year of teaching, Brenda Parrish has a new reason for ensuring her students do well on standardized tests: Their scores will affect her pay raise.

If a new commission of government, business and education leaders has its way, all teachers will find a significant portion of their raises tied to progress by their students.

Nationwide, salaries and raises are typically based on a teacher's experience and education.

That system "does nothing to reward excellence because all teachers, regardless of effort or performance, get the same automatic pay increases," according to a new report by the National Commission on Teaching, a nonprofit group formed in 2003 to improve the public teaching corps.

Parrish, who teaches eighth-grade math at Bell Street Middle School in Clinton, S.C., will have 20 percent of any salary bump based on her students' test-score gains. An additional 30 percent will be based on test scores for her school, while the remaining 50 percent of her review will be based on classroom evaluations, including her ability to motivate students.

Parrish says it seems fair. The school, she says, has greatly expanded regular training for teachers, and the student evaluation is done in a way designed to minimize factors outside her control, such as whether a child comes from a poor home. Still, she's nervous.

"I tell you, as many years as I've been in teaching, I've had good years and bad years," she said, referring to both her own performance and some unruly classes. "There are years I'd hate to think that I'd be paid based on the performance of the children given the situation I was given. You don't want to make excuses, but on the other hand, it needs to be fair."

The pay-performance idea is part of a compensation overhaul recommended by the commission, whose members include former IBM Chairman Louis Gerstner Jr., President Clinton's Education Secretary Richard Riley and former first lady Barbara Bush.

The group also recommends an increase in base salary for all teachers to make the profession's pay more competitive; new paths for teachers to boost their pay and responsibilities without leaving the field; and financial incentives for teachers to serve in hard-to-staff schools or take on high-demand subjects.
Mexico holds trade summit

United States makes trade concessions to Mexico, Canada, other countries

Associated Press

MONTERREY, Mexico — The United States reached out to its neighbors on free trade and border security corruption, smoothing tense relations with Latin American leaders at the 34-nation Summit of the Americas ended Tuesday.

Canada and Mexico won the biggest prizes from the United States, President Bush told Canada it will be eligible for a second round of U.S.-financed recon­struction contracts in Iraq that the administration valued at about $4.5 bil­lion.

A day earlier, Mexican President Vicente Fox accepted an invitation to visit Bush’s ranch in Texas and praised his proposals that would allow migrants to work temporarily in the United States.

Others also welcomed Bush’s plan. Honduran President Ricardo Maduro said it would allow workers to have closer ties to Latin Americans in the United States.

But countries complained the region was not doing enough to battle poverty. During negotiations, Prime Minister Ralph Goodale of St. Vincent asked: “What’s the use of freedom if people are poor?”

Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva said governments need “a new development concept” that distributes income fairly.

“If we want a world that is safe and stable, we must strive toward a just and fair world,” he said.

Outside the meeting site, in the mountains of north­ern Mexico, about 100 anti-globalization protest­ers clashed with police, hacking at a wall of Bush on a security barrier and burning an effigy of Bush.

Bush arrived at this week’s summit to find many nations publicly criti­cizing his free trade stance.

The leaders agreed to support a hemispherewide trade area without setting a firm deadline, a conces­sion to Brazil and Venezuela.

The United States had sought a 2005 deadline for the Free Trade Area of the Americas agreement. The summit’s final declaration calls for following the FTAA’s “established timetable,” with no specific date mentioned.

Although the original timetable called for an accord by 2005, recent FTAA talks have stalled on the prickly issues of removing agricultural sub­sidies and intellectual property rights. Many have questioned whether the original timetable is still realistic.

In a news conference after the meeting, Fox said Mexico wanted a Free Trade Area of the Americas that favored all nations.

“We don’t just want any agreement,” he said.

“We want a good accord, one that considers differ­ences between countries.”

Despite expressing reserva­tions about the declaration, Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez said he would sign the document. He pushed summit partici­pants for a humanitarian fund that could be used to help countries during financial and natural dis­asters, and leaders said they will consider the pro­posal.

In addition, the summit declaration does not call for banning corrupt gov­ernments from future sum­mits, as the United States requested. Instead, the declaration only calls for consultations on countries that don’t meet the requirements of the Inter­American Convention against Corruption.

Washington’s concessions appeared aimed in part at reversing the region’s increasing disenchantment with U.S. policy.

In return, countries pledged to “intensify our efforts and strengthen cooperation” to fight ter­rorist threats. In the last few weeks, Mexico can­celled at least two flights because of security con­cerns.

Wal-Mart hit hard by labor audit

Chinese buy Telecom equipment

WASHINGTON — Chinese telecommunications companies agreed Tuesday to buy $2.3 billion in equipment and communications sys­tems from mainly U.S. firms, a move praised by the Bush administration as a step toward better balancing trade between the countries.

Chinese United Telecommunications Corp. and China Mobile Communication Corp. signed deals with Motorola Inc. worth $1.1 billion to buy equip­ment and for help expanding China’s wireless network. Other companies signing agreements included Cisco Systems Inc., Ericsson Inc., Intel Corp., Lucent Technologies Inc., Nortel Networks Ltd. and UTStarcom Inc.

The Bush administration, which has criti­cized China for its expansive trade surplus, welcomed the chunky deals.

Wal-Mart said its auditor looked at Wal-Mart executives and has emerged and Washington state on grounds the company did not pay for all hours and should not be taken at face value. The document was distributed to top Wal-Mart executives and has emerged and Washington state on grounds the company didn’t pay them overtime, the statement said.

Financial officials declined inter­view requests Tuesday.

James Finberg, an attorney who represents Wal-Mart employees seek­ing class-action status in New York and Washington state on grounds the company didn’t pay for all hours worked, said the audit shows Wal­Mart broke its own rules.

“The policy book says the right things, but the pattern and practice is clear — managers tell people to do the work, no matter how long it takes, and they tell them they’re not going to pay them overtime,” Finberg said.
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Bush seeks to boost NASA budget over 5 years

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush will seek to boost NASA's budget by $1 billion over five years to help pay for his plan to put a man on the moon and to mount a manned expedition to Mars later in the century, a senior administration official said Tuesday.

Bush's election-year vision calls for establishing a permanent presence on the moon within two decades and putting astronauts on Mars sometime after 2020, a second official said.

"The spirit is going to be one of continued exploration, seeking new horizons and investing in a program that... means that objective," Bush told reporters Tuesday during a trip to Mexico.

To pay for the space initiative, which he will outline in a speech Wednesday afternoon, Bush would increase NASA's budget by $200 million a year for five years.

Congressional negotiators last year agreed to a NASA budget of nearly $15.5 billion for fiscal 2004, which began last Oct. 1. That's a $90 million boost over the previous year. The measure, part of a broad spending bill, was passed by both Houses and awaits approval by the president.

The administration said part of the funding for the moon-Mars initiative would come from reallocation of money already in NASA's budget, including phasing out of the space shuttle and quickly concluding the U.S. obligations to the International Space Station. The shuttle now costs NASA about $4 billion a year and the station about $1 billion a year.

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U.S. president

Bush's father, the first President Bush, proposed a more muted project, which would have aimed at putting a man on Mars without a moon base. The cost of that enterprise was projected at $400 billion, from 1989 dollars, far too rich for Congress.

The current president's plan, one official said, calls for sending exploring robots to the moon by 2008, landing humans there by 2020 and then launching a Mars expedition after 2030. He envisions using the moon as a steppingstone to deeper space exploration, to Mars and perhaps beyond.

He said the president's address will give broad outline to the moon-Mars plan, leaving details to be worked out later.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity. Expressed said that an effort to return to the moon will require building new spaceplants. They said the eventual plan could include sending robot craft to Mars and to Moon to collect cache supplies for use later by manned explorers.

Some have suggested that such ambitious program would require huge sums of money. NASA budget of nearly $15.5 billion for fiscal 2004, more than triple the $4.8 billion for last year. But that amount includes an $18 billion spending bill, Spent as a part of the national budget and is therefore part of the only one billion the government can afford to spend on space exploration. The rest of the budget is spent on space programs that are not part of the national budget.

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"Notre Dame 2010: Fulfilling the Promise" is the provisional strategic plan for the University. This plan follows COUP in 1973, PACE in 1982 and the 1993 Colloquy for the year 2000. Our leaders who produced it obviously worked hard in what they see as the best interest of Notre Dame. Probably unavoidably, however, this one took the center to a level of boosterism and boredom.

ND 2010 stresses the need to improve the rankings of 19 programs. It lists four academic goals. 1. "Provide -- a premier undergraduate education ... integrating teaching and research better than any other university." 2. "among leading American research universities." 3. "be the premier center of Catholic intellectual life." 4. "be a diverse and international academic community.

The real goal is research: "We must take the next step — to move forward as a center of outstanding research and scholarship." In the "allocation of resources," we must focus on those academic areas that give us the greatest opportunity for growth and funding in our research endeavors." Translation: Get the bucks. ND 2010 stresses the need to move forward in research and scholarship. The loan burden distorts the pursuit of Research Greatness, under-grad tuition, room and board totaled $5,180. If it had kept pace with inflation it would now be $14,502. The figure for 2003-04 is $34,100, a 6.5 percent increase over last year. Notre Dame offers various kinds of aid to students. The primary form of aid, however, is the student or parent loan, whether federal or private.

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There's always next year

Joe Licandro
The Licandro Non-Factor

This Christmas I was driving over a small bridge on the way to pick up my grandparents for Christmas dinner, and I saw a black plastic garbage bag in the middle of the road. The bridge had just recently been finished after about six months of repair, which was a contentious issue in my local community, as the construction had been delayed for a fairly major road. As I surveyed around the garbage bag, I could not help but think, just for a fleeting moment: what if this bag has expanded?

I know. Bizarre? Right? I immediately asked myself: why was my first thought on seeing a garbage bag on the road? What is the point? With all the things happening in the world, why was I more concerned with a plastic bag? Did I have bad karma? I was semi-spooked by some garbage in the middle of the road. It was not a usual occurrence for me to see a garbage bag in the middle of the road. I had never seen one before. I was just passing by when I noticed it. It was not a deliberate act; it was just a simple oversight.

I thought to myself: what is the significance of this? Is it a sign of things to come? What does it mean? Could it be a omen of some sort? I will never know the answer to these questions. I will keep my eyes open for the next time.

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Missy rushes latest effort

By KENYATTA STORIN
Scene Music Critic

Very few artists can claim such a comeback as Stuart Murdoch. As lead singer and songwriter of the Glaswegian septet Belle and Sebastian, Murdoch crafted two of the most elegant and elegant albums of the '90s. But the band ruined its reputation by attempting to divvy up the songwriting and their fol­
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By RYAN RAFFERTY
Scene Music Critic

Much like fellow pop rap group Outkast, Missy Elliot and her master producer, Timbaland, have been changing the face of pop for years. She is arguably the most successful female rap artist of all time. But despite these facts, Missy regrettably stumbles on her fifth effort. This is Not a Test!

ALBUM REVIEW

Dear Catastrophe Waitress

Belle & Sebastian

Karin Sigsteinn/Photo courtesy of mtv.com

Missy Elliot stumbles on her fifth album, with flows that sound forced and poor production.

ALBUM REVIEW

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Not 'the guy from Rushmore's' band anymore

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Scene Music Critic

The Polyphonic Spree should end

By REBECCA SAUNDERS
Scene Music Critic

The Beginning Stages of...

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Phantom Planet

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The Phony Spree may be a groundbreaking and unique group, but the large choir falls into the trap of redundancy throughout their second album.
Associated Press

Tuesday night as Shareef Abdur-Rahim lifts Hawks past defending champion Spurs

Abdur-Rahim lifts Hawks past defending champion Spurs

Associated Press — No one could have imagined it.

The defending NBA champion San Antonio Spurs had won 17 of 18 games this season. The lowly Atlanta Hawks were coming off three straight embarrassing defeats.

But the roles were reversed Tuesday night as Shareef Abdur-Rahim scored 29 points and the Hawks built a big lead over San Antonio and held on for a surprising 105-87 victory.

"It only takes one win to turn the season around," said Stephen Jackson who played perhaps his best game of the season against his former team. "This could be that win."

There haven't been many wins for the Hawks this season. They were coming off a 1-5 road trip that ended with a 16-point loss in Sacramento, a 46-point rout by the Los Angeles Lakers and a 21-point defeat to Utah.

"We just needed a win, whether it was the Spurs or a high school team," Jackson said.

Coach Terry Stotts and his staff made the players sit through a lengthy film session the previous day.

"We watched film for an hour and we looked at what we did at our mistakes," Hawks center Dikembe Mutombo said. "We look at it individually, but it's different when you're sitting there with the tape. That point out what is definitely supposed to happen in plays."

Atlanta took control against the Spurs with a 14-0 run encompassing the final basket of the first quarter and the first 12 points of the second. The Hawks led by as many as 21 points before settling for a 49- 32 victory at the half.

Abdur-Rahim scored 17 in the opening half.

Nuggets 105, Suns 92

The Denver Nuggets are no longer one of the bottom feeders in the West. They've passed that label to the Phoenix Suns.

While the Nuggets scored 32 points and the Nuggets, off to their best start in 18 years, handed the Suns their sixth loss in a row Tuesday night.

The one-sided story was sandwiched between Denver's games against Western powerhouses Sacramento and the Los Angeles Lakers. The Nuggets play at Los Angeles Wednesday night.

"I get tired of people who keep telling me how down the Nuggets were last year," rookie Carmelo Anthony said. "They can talk about how we're playing right now. Any team we play, we go in with the mentality that we can beat them."

The Nuggets scored the first nine points, led by 17 in the first quarter, 21 at the half and 32 in the third quarter against the hapless Suns. They won it fourth quarter since the blockbuster trade that sent Shareef Marbury to the New York Knicks.

Kings 90, Heat 86

Brad Miller leaned back in his locker and quietly admitted that sometimes the Sacramento Kings just got lucky.

It showed Tuesday night, yet they still won.

Peja Stojakovic scored 14 of his 24 points in the first quarter and Sacramento won its fifth straight at home over the Miami Heat.

"Sometimes it seems like we're best-record team and a great team and we get bored sometimes," said Miller, who had double-doubles in 11 of his previous 12 games but fell one rebound short of another.

"We've got to keep punishing them. We've got to keep playing. It's just a fun environment to be there. We play like the old teams, but that's what gets us in trouble sometimes."

Miller finished with 14 points, nine rebounds and seven assists.

Mike Bibby added 20 points for the NBA-leading Kings, including a clutch 3-pointer with 18 seconds left. Sacramento beat an Eastern Conference opponent at Arco Arena for the 27th straight time.

After Bibby's big shot, the selous crowd began chanting, "Bea I.A. Bea I.A."

referring to the Kings' final game of this three-game homestand Friday against the Lakers.

Timberwolves 94, Hornets 89

Minnesota had won 15 of 18 games without a few strong finishes, so coach Flip Saunders wasn't concerned when the Timberwolves trailed the New Orleans Hornets by 10 points to start the fourth quarter.

Minnesota scored 31 points in the final period, 12 by Sam Cassell, in a victory over the Hornets Monday night.

"I told our guys when the fourth quarter started, 'We will win this game if we get a push right now. We need some pace into the game,'" Saunders said. "We can get a couple of quick buckets, get ourselves going into a 24-second difference and rely on the ability to execute down the stretch, which has been huge for us over these last 20 games."

Latrell Sprewell scored 26 points, including a pair of key free throws in the final minute to seal it.

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NBA

Kobe Bryant’s lawyers provide outline of allegations

Associated Press

DENVER — In a broadside against the woman accusing Kobe Bryant of rape, defense attorneys argued Tuesday that her sexual past and mental health history should be allowed as evidence to prove she had a "scheme" to falsely accuse Mr. Bryant of sexual assault.

The defense has suggested the woman engaged in a pattern of dangerous acts, including suicide attempts and accusing Bryant of rape, to gain the attention of an ex-boyfriend.

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The 35-year-old Williams faces seven charges, including aggravated manslaughter and witness tampering, that could carry up to 55 years in prison.

Williams and his wife did not respond to questions from reporters when they arrived at the courthouse.

Christofi was killed Feb. 14, 2002, after driving Williams' 40-room estate in Alexandria Township.

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Jury selection begins in Jayson Williams trial

Associated Press

SOMERVILLE, N.J. — Jayson Williams was introduced to a pool of potential jurors Tuesday, three years after the shooting death of his limo driver two years ago.

Defense attorneys say the shooting at Williams' estate was an accident. Prosecutors say Williams was showing off his shotgun, then tried to make the death of Costas Christofi look like suicide.

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ND SWIMMING

Men and women pick up wins on training trip

By MATT PUGLISI
Sports Writer

Most swim teams used the extended winter break for some much-needed relaxation, but not the Irish men's and women's swim teams. In holiday competition last Friday, the men's squad finished off a 12-day training trip in Mission Viejo, Calif., by picking up a pair of dual meet victories in a triangular meet against UC-Santa Barbara and Wyoming, 104-101 and 133-98, respectively.

The women swam to a first place finish in the Second Annual Puerto Rico Winter Training Meet in Encantada, Puerto Rico on Jan. 4.

After trailing UCSB by 21 points to nil only four events remaining, the Irish men (3-5) cut the Gauchos' lead to 2, 95-93, heading into the meet's final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay.

In a neck-and-neck race to decide the meet winner, Notre Dame co-captain Doug Bauman (200-yard breaststroke) chipped in with first place finishes.

"We were very happy with our performance because we were all swimming tired from our training," freshman Chris Zeches said. "We're ready to swim fast again this weekend in Pittsburgh."

The Irish next hit the water on Friday when they head to Pittsburgh to compete in a quadrangular meet against Villanova, Maryland and the University of Pittsburgh.

The women's squad, on the other hand, recorded four meet records in coasting to a first place finish in Puerto Rico last week.

Opening the competition with a victory and meet record score of 205.38 in the senior men's 50-yard freestyle relay by seniors Danielle Hulick, Laurie Masgravy, Lisa Garcia and freshman Katie Carroll, the No. 21 Irish (4-1) never looked back, dominating a field that included St. John's, Yale, Mountclair, Seton Hall, Brandeis, Syracuse, Georgetown and Skidmore, among others.

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish experience roller coaster ride over break

4-2 stretch includes win over No. 16 Virginia Tech and losses to Purdue and Georgetown

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame had its share of ups and downs over winter break, but the Irish ended on a high note by beating No. 16 Virginia Tech 55-40 at the Joyce Center Jan. 10. Notre Dame won four games during the break and improved to 8-6 for the season, including 6-0 at home.

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Bryant sidelined with shoulder injury

Associated Press

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. — Kobe Bryant joined Shaquille O'Neal and Karl Malone on the sidelines Tuesday, leaving Gary Payton as the only healthy Los Angeles Lakers super-star.

Bryant is expected to miss a minimum of two-to-three weeks with an injured right shoulder, the result of a collision with Cleveland's Kendrick Brown on Monday night, the team said.

An MRI exam taken Tuesday confirmed Bryant sprained his surgically repaired shoulder.

Lakers coach Phil Jackson said Bryant won't need surgery, but will probably be placed on the injured list, meaning he'd have to sit out at least five games.

"I don't think there's any long-term effects to something like this," Jackson said.

It's also possible that Bryant could miss a game in February and two in March because of hearings regarding the sexual assault charge he faces in Colorado.

Bryant, the NBA's seventh-leading scorer with a 22.0-point average, was injured with 5.7 seconds left in the first quarter of an 89-79 victory over the Cavaliers when he faked Brown into the air outside the 3-point line and Brown landed on Bryant's shoulder.

In obvious pain, Bryant made three free throws, but left after the period ended and went to the locker room for X-rays, which were negative.

Bryant played a little more than five minutes in the second quarter, but was clearly not himself, running with his right arm hanging at his side. His only shot was a left-handed jumper from outside the foul line that didn't go in.

Jackson said Bryant won't need surgery, but was expected to miss at least two to three weeks.

The suspension, without pay, began with Tuesday night's home game against Houston.

"I deeply regret any embarrassment that my actions have caused to members of my family, my teammates, my fans and the Washington Wizards organization," Laettner said in a statement released by the team.

Neither the league nor the team would comment on when the violation occurred or what substance was involved. A player has to fail three drug tests before drawing a five-game suspension.

Laettner, who has five games in seven days, ended Monday against Houston.

"We'll have to change somewhat. Personnel makes a big difference in how we play," Jackson said.

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IN BRIEF

Wizards' Laettner receives drug suspension

WASHINGTON — Washington Wizards forward Christian Laettner was suspended for five games Tuesday for violating the NBA's drug policy.

The suspension, without pay, began with Tuesday night's home game against Houston.

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Neither the league nor the team, citing the confidentiality rules of the collective bargaining agreement, would comment on when the violation occurred or what substance was involved. A player has to fail three drug tests before drawing a five-game suspension.

Laettner was not allowed to attend Tuesday night's game, although he is eligible to practice with the team.

Because of the Wizards' schedule, Laettner will have one of the shortest 5-game suspensions possible. They have five games in seven days, ending Monday against Chicago. He can return for the Jan. 23 game against Boston.

Maddox, Rodriguez remain on free agent market

NEW YORK — Now that most of the top stars have signed, Greg Maddox and Ivan Rodriguez are the biggest names left on the free-agent market.

Maddox, a four-time Cy Young Award winner, has been talking with the Chicago Cubs, his original major league teams. Following seven seasons with the Cubs, Maddox spent the last 11 years with the Atlanta Braves.

"We're continuing to negotiate with about four, five teams," Maddox's agent, Scott Boras, said Tuesday. "There's a possibility something can happen this week, but a lot of Greg's considerations involve meeting owners of clubs personally, and he's talking a very methodical approach to this.

"It's unclear what teams Rodriguez is talking to. After earning $10 million last year with Florida and leading the Marlins to the World Series title, the team let him go after he asked for a four-year deal.

Lemieux undergoes knee surgery

PITTSBURGH — Mario Lemieux had arthroscopic surgery Tuesday to repair the left hip injury that will sideline him for the rest of the Pittsburgh Penguins' season.

Lemieux, who hasn't played since Nov. 1, learned last week that two months' worth of rest and rehabilitation did not heal the chronic tendinitis in his hip. Lemieux had similar surgery on his right hip before missing more than two-thirds of the 2001-02 season.
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loose ball to a teammate. Thomas and Chris Quinn combined to make five 3-pointers in the last three minutes of the game to get the Irish from down nine in 63-54 to within one at 67-66 and down two at 71-69.

But it was Thomas' two 3-point attempts coming off pump fakes, and, for the second straight game, his foul on an opponent's 3-point shot that really hurt the Irish down the stretch. It was a disappointing end for Thomas who had a solid all-around game. The junior finished with 29 points on 11-of-22 shooting, including 7-of-13 on 3-pointers. Meanwhile, the Panthers, who shot 50 percent (11-of-22) from the free throw line, consistently beat the Irish to the loose ball off free throw misses and got a second chance point when the Irish couldn't respond.

The win extended the Panthers' (17-0, 3-0) in the Big East home winning streak, the best in the nation, to 36 games and ended Notre Dame (8-4, 2-1) its first loss in seven games.

In a raucous Petersen Events Center where Pittsburgh has won all 30 games it has played, the Irish didn't let themselves get taken out of the game early. Thomas scored 13 points in the opening 13 minutes. The Irish held a seven-point lead with less than five minutes in the first half, but the Irish couldn't score the rest of the half. Luckily for the Irish, the Panthers only scored six more points as both teams didn't score in the last 3:40 of the half. The Irish led 31-30 at the break.

Pittsburgh made its run down 46-42 with just over 12 minutes remaining in the game. Six different players scored on the Panthers' 21-8 run that allowed them to hold a nine point lead before Thomas and Quinn tried to use 3-pointers to get the Irish back in it.

Schifino's streak. Jones also had his best all-around game in a Notre Dame uniform since Nov. 29. The Irish overcame a hot-shooting night by American and avoided its second embarrassing home loss of the season Dec. 21. American converted on 63 percent of its field goal attempts, including a stretch that saw the Eagles make 10 straight at one point. Thomas scored a season-high 28 points and the Irish won their first home game since Nov. 29.

Notre Dame 79, Quinnipiac 62 Quinn finally found the shooting touch he had been missing for most of the season, connecting on his first six 3-pointers and registering a career-high 25 points to lead the Irish to their third straight victory Dec. 23. Francis recorded a double-double with 19 points and 11 rebounds.

Notre Dame 94, Monmouth State 69 After missing his last nine shots against Quinnipiac, Thomas missed his first seven against Monmouth State before finding the range and scoring 23 points Dec. 28. Francis had another double-double with 21 points and 10 rebounds.

The Irish were up 74-67 with 2:43 remaining, but used a 10-2 run to put this one away.

Notre Dame 63, West Virginia 52 For the first time in Bruce's four years as Notre Dame, the Irish won its opening game in the Big East conference Jan. 7. In the process, the Irish ended Montenegrin guard Drew Schifino's double-digit scoring streak at 48 games. Jones was the major reason for ending Schifino's streak. Jones also had his best all-around offensive game of the season, scoring 17 points and pulling down a career-high 13 rebounds.

Notre Dame 82, Villanova 78 The Irish broke another streak at Philadelphia in beating the Wildcats for the first time in Big East play Jan. 10. Villanova was the last team the Irish had not beaten in conference action.

Down six points with 3:31 to go, the Irish came back on a 12-2 run to get the win.

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Social Concerns Festival Held January 21 from 7-9 pm

Learn about service and social action in South Bend at the Center for Social Concerns annual "Social Concerns Festival." Representatives from area service organizations will be on hand to introduce students to opportunities with local community organizations.

When: January 21 from 7 to 9 pm

Where: Center for Social Concerns

The event is free.

Reception Held for Malaquias Montoya Exhibit

An exhibition by Malaquias Montoya entitled "Preliminated: Meditations On Capital Punishment New Works..." will be on display beginning Sunday, January 11 at The Snite Museum of Art.

Vehicle request forms revised

Revised vehicle request forms and policy information for spring semester will be available at the Center for Social Concerns for pick up on January 15. Vehicles will be available for use beginning the week of January 19.

Several policy changes will necessitate careful reading of the revised policy statement before completing your request form. The Policy statements will be attached to the forms for your convenience.

Indiana 66, Notre Dame 63

Little-used bench player Ryan Tapak hit a 3-pointer with 28 seconds left to lift the Hoosiers to extend Notre Dame's losing streak Dec. 10.

Thomas led the Irish, who shot only 39 percent, with 24 points. Falls shot a 3-pointer with 2 seconds left, but his shot hit the rim and time expired.

Notre Dame 82, DePaul 69

In what a number of people called his best all-around game in a Notre Dame uniform, Thomas only scored 13 points, but had five assists, five rebounds, two steals and only one turnover in leading the Irish to their first win over DePaul in over two weeks. Corsette tied his career high with 17 points, and Notre Dame broke a shooting slump by making 51 percent of its field goals.

Notre Dame 78, American 74

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Notre Dame 63, West Virginia 52 For the first time in Bruce's four years as Notre Dame, the Irish won its opening game in the Big East conference Jan. 7. In the process, the Irish ended Montenegrin guard Drew Schifino's double-digit scoring streak at 48 games. Jones was the major reason for ending Schifino's streak. Jones also had his best all-around offensive game of the season, scoring 17 points and pulling down a career-high 13 rebounds.

Notre Dame 82, Villanova 78 The Irish broke another streak at Philadelphia in beating the Wildcats for the first time in Big East play Jan. 10. Villanova was the last team the Irish had not beaten in conference action.

Down six points with 3:31 to go, the Irish came back on a 12-2 run to get the win.

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Social Concerns Festival Held

January 21 from 7-9 pm

Learn about service and social action in South Bend at the Center for Social Concerns annual "Social Concerns Festival."

Representatives from area service organizations will be on hand to introduce students to opportunities with local community organizations.

When: January 21 from 7 pm

Where: Center for Social Concerns

The event is free.

Reception Held for Malaquias Montoya Exhibit

An exhibition by Malaquias Montoya entitled "Preliminated: Meditations On Capital Punishment New Works..." will be on display beginning Sunday, January 11 at The Snite Museum of Art.

Vehicle request forms revised

Revised vehicle request forms and policy information for spring semester will be available at the Center for Social Concerns for pick up on January 15. Vehicles will be available for use beginning the week of January 19.

Several policy changes will necessitate careful reading of the revised policy statement before completing your request form. The Policy statements will be attached to the forms for your convenience.

Applications Available for Mexico Seminar

Applications are now available for the Oaxaca, Mexico Seminar. Applications can be downloaded on the Web or are available at the Center for Social Concerns. The due date for the seminar is January 30.

The Mexico Seminar provides students the opportunity for two weeks of experiential-learning in Mexico City (and other areas) in collaboration with local organizations. This one-credit seminar (TTHED 360) involves extensive student-directed planning, resource development, and reflection.

During the spring semester, Service & Social Action Group Leaders reminder

Group meetings at the Center for Social Concerns are scheduled for only one semester at a time. If your group used CSC rooms for meetings during fall semester, please remember that you will have to contact the receptionist to be put on the schedule for the spring semester.

applications to the cultural, economic, political and international forces influencing Latin America.

Careers as Vocations

The Center for Social Concerns in collaboration with the Notre Dame Vocation Initiative will host a series of Careers as Vocations panels this semester. Alumni and alumnae of the University will discuss how they have come to understand their careers in response to the "call" and how they have integrated faith and social concerns into their professions.

After each panel presentation, a simple supper will be served and students will be invited to small group discussions with the panelists.

Where: Center for Social Concerns

When: Sundays, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

January 18 Not-for-Profit Careers. Speakers: Julie Hodes '91 - Organizer, UNITE Chicago; Chris Nanni '88 - Associate principal, Cristo Rey High School, Chicago; and Susan Ranaaghjan '95 - Director, L'Arche South Bend

January 25 Business Careers

February 8 Careers in Law

February 15 Media Careers

February 22 Careers in Medicine

February 29 Careers in Ministry

March 21 Engineering/Architecture Careers

March 28 Science Careers

April 4 Pilot/Aerospace Engineering Careers

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fought back with a 10-3 run to close the half down 33-26. Notre Dame led the entire second half. Taurasi hit a baseline jumper with 4:50 left to cut the lead to 53-51, but that was as close as the Huskies would get. The Irish closed the game with an 11-0 run, including five points by Batteast. "I was excited about our defense," McGraw said. "Our zone frustrated them a little bit. We really worked hard in our zone. I think now we're starting to believe in it." The Notre Dame defense was key, holding the Huskies to a season low 31 percent shooting. Taurasi, who averaged 19.8 points, was held to nine points by Notre Dame. Hoegarden added 13 points, and six rebounds. Barbara Turner also had 13 points and six assists for Notre Dame. "I thought that they played with a lot of intelligence," McGraw said. "They remained aggressive, but also selective. They did a good job of feeding double teams and setting up plays." After Teresa Burton (eight points) missed the first shot of the game, Notre Dame hit eight straight to jump out to a 17-2 lead. They never trailed again. "The crowd, made us want to play harder," Megan Duffy said. For the Irish, the win marked their first defeat of a top-five opponent since March 30, 2001, when they defeated Connecticut 90-75 in the NCAA semifinal. Notre Dame shot a scorching 59.5 percent from the field and outscored the bigger Huskies 32-24 in the paint. "That was a big win," Batteast said. "It just feels great to win a big game." Courtney LaVere scored 14 points, including her second career three-pointer. Le'Tania Severe added 12 points for Notre Dame, who snatched Connecticut's Big East regular season win streak of 44 games. Severe also tied a season-high with six assists and only one turnover. "Anytime you can beat a great team, and they are a great team, it's just a great confidence booster for the program," McGraw said. "I thought the whole team played a great game." Burton, Batteast and Severe were forced to play with four fouls in the closing minutes. They remained aggressive, however. Batteast, who picked up her fourth foul with eight minutes to go, came back in with the block on Taurasi, and the Irish kept rolling. "I thought that they played with a lot of intelligence," McGraw said. Connecticut was led by Jessica Moore's 13 points and six rebounds. Barbara Turner also added 13 points, and five rebounds. "This was a big win," Batteast said. "It just feels good right now." Contact Heather Van Hoegarden at hvanhoeg@nd.edu

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Diana Taurasi, was the best player in the country on this night. Her 23 points on 10-of-13 shooting and 11 rebounds led all players in both categories. Her clutch shot after clutch shot allowed the Irish to hold onto a slim lead for much of the second half. But it was Batteast's block of Taurasi with 3:17 remaining in the game that sealed the victory for the Irish. After Taurasi grabbed a loose ball with Notre Dame clinging to a four point lead, the All-American went up for a short jumper that would have cut the Irish advantage in half and likely shifted the momentum back to the Huskies. But Batteast, nursing four fouls, reached up and rejected Taurasi's shot, then scored a lay-up 30 seconds later to push the Notre Dame edge to six. The team would not look back. "I'm so impressed with Jacqueline Batteast right now," Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw said after the game. "She played like the National Player of the Year and had just an outstanding game. Every time we needed to score, she was there." Batteast played aggressive all game, and Connecticut had no answer for her. She muscled her way in the paint and grabbed seven offensive rebounds. When Connecticut gave her the room to shoot, Batteast drained jumpers. When Connecticut guarded her close, she simply knocked down the open shot and drove to the basket. When it looked like Connecticut would go on a big run, Batteast was there to make the critical play. Batteast has always been a very good player during her two and a half years for Notre Dame. But Tuesday night, she played like the best player in the country. And the Irish showed glimpses of the 2001 National Championship team that pounded Connecticut twice by double digits. While they aren't as good as that team, the Irish are improving. They've bounced back from a tough road loss at Georgetown to beat two top 25 teams in No. 16 Virginia Tech and now top 5 ranked Connecticut. They played their most complete game in two years Tuesday and they gained a huge victory, much thanks to Batteast's play. The question now is whether Batteast can play like she did last night all the time? The answer is hard to know. A year ago against Connecticut, Batteast struggled on her way to shooting 5-of-21 in a 72-53 Notre Dame loss. The junior guard played anything but in that game and didn't play well for much of the second half of the season. In the Big East and NCAA Tournament, Batteast rarely found a shooting rhythm and didn't reach her potential. Tuesday was the complete opposite. Batteast was in a groove and wouldn't make a mistake all game. She played the most complete game of her career and outplayed Taurasi, showing she could be the best player in the nation on any given night. Now Batteast can use this game, like last season, as a stepping stone. Only this time, she can use the game to improve throughout the remainder of the season — the same way Taurasi did last year for Connecticut. Taurasi could take over a game at any moment for the Huskies during the team's national championship run in 2003. Her teammates looked to Taurasi whenever things went wrong for the big bucket and the crucial rebound. Batteast was that player Tuesday night. She has the potential and talent to be the difference-maker every night for her team. And if Batteast does evolve into that role, the Irish will not only challenge for the Big East title this season, but be a very dangerous team come tournament time in March. Batteast was the best player on the court Tuesday night. As she continues to improve her game, she has the potential to be the best player on the court every night. The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Joe Hettler at jhettler@nd.edu

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monitors our choice. We haven’t made any decision.”

Television ratings for Notre Dame home games have steadily declined in recent years. In 1993, when Notre Dame last seriously contended for a national championship, 6.2 million households watched Notre Dame football games, according to data provided by Nielsen Media Research. But that number dropped to 2.6 million in 2003. The number of people who watch the Irish play on NBC appears to be tied to Notre Dame’s success. In the last six years, the Irish have had just three winning seasons. In those years — 1998, 2000 and 2002 — an estimated average of 3.1 million households watched NBC games. When Notre Dame has had a losing season, however, an average of just 2.6 million households have tuned in annually.

Yet Ken Schanzer, the president of NBC Sports, told reporters last month that NBC believed if it didn’t renew the television deal, other networks would be more than willing to step in.

The contract extension, coupled with other networks who consistently televise Irish away games, will help satisfy Notre Dame fans who have come to expect that the Irish will appear on television, Heisler said.

“All of our fans have become spoiled to that, and the expectation has been that in some way, shape or form the game is going to be available,” Heisler said. “This will help to give that a chance to be reality on a daily basis.”

Since 1991, a portion of the money generated from the NBC contract has been channelled into undergraduate scholarships for nov­

Hockey

Cey and Brown net shutouts

By JUSTIN SCHUVER

Associate Sports Editor

Right now, it doesn’t seem to matter who is in net for the Irish.

Both junior Morgan Cey and freshman David Brown recorded at least one shutout over the break as Notre Dame went 3-2, including a 1-0 win over then-No. 3 ranked Maine on Dec. 28. Cey collected consecutive shutouts versus Maine and Findlay, a 1-0 victory on Jan. 3 at the Joyce Center.

Brown collected Notre Dame’s most recent win, a 3-0 home shutout of CCHA opponent Bowling Green on Jan. 9. It was a nice change of pace for the freshman, who had allowed a combined 15 goals in his last three starts, all losses.

“These losses were very frustrating to me,” Brown said after the 3-0 win over Bowling Green. “They were a real test to my character. I was dropping the puck in front and there were some fluky shots that went in. I just tried to focus on one shot at a time tonight and keep the game simple.”

Fellow freshmen Josh Sciba and Jason Paige, along with senior defenseman Brett Lebda, provided all the offense Brown would need as he stopped 32 Falcon shots. The shutout was Brown’s fourth of the season, a school record.

With the win, the Irish are now 11-7-2 overall and 8-6-2 in the CCHA, good enough for third in the conference and just one point behind Michigan and Miami (Ohio) for first place.

Notre Dame travels on the road to face No. 3 Wisconsin this weekend in a two game non-conference series.

Notre Dame 0

The Irish were blanked by Cornell in the opening round game of the Everblades Hockey Classic on Dec. 27, stymied by Big Red freshman goaltender David McKee, who stopped all 27 Notre Dame shots.

Brown made 18 saves in the loss as the Irish fell despite outshooting Cornell 27-22.

Notre Dame 1, No. 3 Maine 0

The Irish shocked No. 3 Maine at the Everblades Classic on Dec. 28, defeating the Black Bears to take third place in the tournament. The win snapped a three game losing streak for the Irish.

Sophomore Mike Walsh scored the game-winning goal and Cey made 32 saves to pick up the shutout.

Notre Dame 1, Findlay 0

Cey recorded his second consecutive shutout and senior forward Rob Globke scored the only goal to give the Irish a win over non-conference opponent Findlay on Jan. 3.

The junior stopped 27 shots in the win over the Oilers.

Bowling Green 5, Notre Dame 4 (OT)

The Falcons’ James Ougler scored the game-winning goal with 28 seconds remaining in overtime to give his team the victory Jan. 8. Lebda, Sciba, Paige and senior Aaron Gill each scored for the Irish in the road loss.

Notes:

• For his efforts in Notre Dame’s recent 3-0 win over Bowling Green, Brown was named the CCHA Defensive Player of the Week for the week ending Jan. 11.

• It is the first such honor for the freshman, who has been named rookie of the week three times this season.

Brown and teammate Cey have combined for six Irish shutouts this season, already doubling the school’s previous record for shutouts in a year.

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Horoscope

EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Faye Dunaway, Julian Bond, Lawrence Kasdan, LL Cool J

Happy Birthday! You've got the drive and the passion to accomplish just about anything this year. Don't even think about sitting on the sidelines of life. This is your time to take center stage and let the world know exactly how powerful you can be. You will not have a problem getting the attention you require, so just enjoy the fame and forward and implement all those innovative ideas that you've kept locked away from yourself for so long. Numbers: 4, 19, 28, 37, 46, 55.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Expand your horizons. Take steps that will provide you with adventure and cultural knowledge. Social gatherings will be important to your low-involvement. **

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't do anything by yourself, or you'll get stuck in the mud. Your need for excitement and adventure will be satisfied if you travel or get involved in secret societies. A change in your home is likely to take place. If you can make a change, you will be happy with the results. **

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Opposites attract each other this year. You and your mate may be disgruntled by the whole affair. **

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Heated arguments with children may lead to changes in your home. Your need for excitement and adventure will be satisfied if you travel or get involved in secret societies. **

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your dramatic approach to emotional matters may alienate you from the ones you love. Don't let others blame you for things you didn't do. **

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Problems will surface if you have to deal with institutions. Try to put off meetings with supervisors until a more suitable time. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can make major improvements or set your mind to something that will change your life. Your need for excitement and adventure will be satisfied if you travel or get involved in secret societies. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your mental agility will be at an all-time high. Your need for professional growth. You can make excellent financial moves if you consider real estate changes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your need for excitement and adventure will be satisfied if you travel or get involved in secret societies. A change in your home is likely to take place. If you can make a change, you will be happy with the results. **

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A change in your home is likely to take place. If you can make a change, you will be happy with the results. **

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Tension will cause confrontations with your mate. Opportunities to get involved in secret societies are evident. However, the possibility of damaging your reputation is likely. **

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): One-sided romantic connections will only lead you astray. You are best to keep your thoughts to yourself. Respect the politics that surround you at your place of work. * * *
NBC extends football contract through 2010

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

For 13 years, every Notre Dame football home game has appeared on NBC, and thanks to a five-year extension announced Dec. 15, that trend will continue through at least through 2010.

ND WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Huskie-sized upset

Batteast’s all-around play leads Notre Dame to 66-51 win of No. 4 Connecticut

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN  
Sports Writer

When she hit her first two shots, Connecticut star Diana Taurasi was on her way to scoring 20 points last year at Notre Dame in a 72-53 win.

But Notre Dame’s Jacqueline Batteast had plans of her own.

Batteast scored 23 points on 10-of-12 shooting and grabbed 11 rebounds in the Irish’s 66-51 upset of No. 4 Connecticut (11-2, 2-1 Big East) Tuesday at the Joyce Center.

“Batteast was just the best player on the court tonight,” Huskies coach Geno Auriemma said.

Batteast keyed Notre Dame not only on offense but on defense as well. With 3:17 left in the game and the Irish up 55-51, she blocked a driving Taurasi, then proceeded to score against Taurasi on a driving layup to put the Irish ahead for good. The Huskies didn’t score again.

The block deflated Connecticut,” Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. “I thought it was a really big turnaround in the game.”

Notre Dame (9-6, 2-1 Big East) led the whole game, their largest lead other than the final margin coming with 6:14 in the first half, when Batteast hit a layup to put the Irish up 30-16.

Connecticut, however, fought back in the game and the Irish up 30-16.

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

Although University and NBC officials declined to say how much the school will receive annually, various news agencies reported the deal is worth $9 million annually.

“We’re extremely pleased to augment what continues to be a very special relationship with NBC,” Notre Dame athletic director Kevin White said in a statement. “The ability to have our home football games telecast on a national basis becomes a tremendous vehicle for us in maintaining a national visibility and platform in terms of our football program’s profile and recruiting.”

In the past, the money from the NBC deal has been used to provide financial aid to students at the University. Associate athletic director John Heisler said he expected that trend to continue in the future.

“The decision to renew its television deal should not necessarily be seen as a clear sign that Notre Dame will keep its football program independent, White said last month.

“There’s not an immediate correlation of any kind between those two things,” White told the Associated Press. “We made a decision to extend our deal with NBC. We’re going to continue to see NBC.

MEN’S BASKETBALL

Rally not enough for Irish at Pittsburgh

By MATT LOZAR  
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Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me.

After the end of Monday’s 74-71 loss at Pittsburgh, Notre Dame guard Chris Thomas can relate to that old saying. He tried to draw a foul with pump fakes on three-pointers, but couldn’t execute the move, resulting in no foul for the Irish.

On defense, when the Irish were down 67-66, Thomas fouled Pittsburgh guard Julius Page on a 3-pointer at Villanova Saturday. Thomas hacked Villanova guard Allen Ray as he shot from behind the arc, but the Irish were up six and Thomas’ foul was not damaging.

But Monday, although Page only made 1-of-3 from the line, Pittsburgh forward Chevon Troutman out muscled Notre Dame forward Torin Francies for the rebound and tapped the loose ball to a teammate.

And while the rest of her teammates played great throughout the game, Batteast was the centerpiece in leading the Irish to a 66-51 victory over the Huskies in one of Notre Dame’s biggest upsets in recent memory. The junior was the heart that kept pumping to carry the Irish ahead of mighty Connecticut Tuesday night.

Batteast showed everyone in the Joyce Center that she, not Connecticut’s reigning National Player of the Year Jacqueline Batteast finally turns in a performance worthy of the best players in the country.

After the final buzzer sounded and as the students rushed the court, Irish forward Jacqueline Batteast stood, appropriate­ly at mid­court, threw her hands in the air and embraced the moment. Yes, Jackie, that game really happened.

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By JOE HETTLER  
Sports Editor

Former Notre Dame football player Abram Elam was convicted of sexual battery in August for his participation in an alleged gang rape of a female Notre Dame student with three other football players.

But next week he will start classes at Kent State University with a football scholarship to play for the Golden Flashes in the fall with one year of eligibility remaining.

“He’s paid a price,” Kent State coach Dean Poles told the Akron Beacon Journal. “I feel very con­fident that he’ll contribute to our program, on and off the field, in a great manner.”

Elam received an 18-month suspended sentence and two years probation for the felony. He was the only one of the four former Notre Dame players con­victed of any crime surrounding the incident. Donald Dykes was acquitted, while the prosecutor dropped charges against Lorenzo Crawford and Justin Smith before their trials.

Elam was a reserve safety for the Irish in 2001 after redshirting as a freshman in 2000. Kent State ranked last in pass defense in the Mid-American Conference last season.

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