Iowa caucus brings attention to student voters

By KATE GALE
News Writer

Notre Dame students are voicing strong political opinions as the 2004 campaign opens in Iowa today, reflecting an unusual contingent in an era when a high number of college students and their peers are not registered to vote.

According to the Federal Election Commission, 18- to 24-year-olds have been significantly under-represented in presidential elections. However, many Notre Dame students are registered to vote and are actively following the 2004 campaign. The first caucus takes place in Iowa today, when college democrats are currently working on behalf of Sen. John Edwards.

Casey Fitzmaurice, president of the College Democrats, organized the drive to support Edwards in association with Nick Smith from Purdue. “There’s a group of 34 of us from Indiana,” Fitzmaurice said Sunday. “We’re going door-to-door canvassing, handing out literature and talking to [caucus] voters about why John Edwards should be the next president.”

Fitzmaurice said that interest in participating in the caucus came from a variety of campus sources.

“THERE was a huge response from students at Notre Dame — the College Democrats, political science students, John Edwards fans and people who just wanted to see the caucus,” she said.

“They are going to exciting, anything could happen,” she added. “The Des Moines Register, Iowa’s largest paper, is calling it a four-way dead heat between [John] Kerry, Richard Gephardt and [Howard] Dean.”

For Notre Dame students who are Iowa natives, involvement in the caucus can also include casting a vote.

“I’m a registered Republican,” said Christopher Diskho, a freshman from Waukee, Iowa. “I did my own research, decided what I believed and what I didn’t, and registered accordingly. It was an independent decision. I haven’t gone to [the Iowa caucus] lately, but living in an important area has made me more political.”

Freshman Steve Cartwright pointed out the caucus’s vital role in forerunning the campaign’s coming months. “It’s actually really important to support a strong candidate in Iowa, as the caucus tends to set the tone for the entire election,” Cartwright said. “If a strong front-runner emerges, the country’s undecided voters tend to lean in his or her direction.”

Cartwright is in the process of registering to vote via the non-profit Rock the Vote initiative.

“I should be a card-carrying Democrat by the time the 2004 presidential election rolls around,” he said. “With any luck, I’ll be voting in the Pennsylvania primary via absentee ballot this April.”

Rock the Vote is one of many programs in place to register young voters. I went to renew my driver’s license when I turned 21, and they asked me if I wanted to register (to vote),” said junior Chris Henschen. “I never really made an effort to do it. I’m not following anyone yet, but I’ll probably start watching the election this summer.”

For freshman Ryan Lafaglina, the registration process was relatively simple, but actually voting has proven more difficult.

“They came to my high school, set up a booth, and I registered,” said Ohio native Lafiglina. “It’s tricky to vote (while in college) because I don’t live at home and have to request an absentee ballot.”

Freshman Clark Charbonette also registered at his high school when his government teacher passed out registration forms. “[My teacher] said that anyone who didn’t vote didn’t have the right to complain.”

Class allows for policy contribution

Lopez seminar provides counter-terrorism research opportunity

By LAURA VILIM
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Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students will have the unique opportunity to conduct significant research and contribute policy recommendations on counter-terrorism for the United Nations this spring as part of a new seminar designed by Krue Institute Fellow and political science professor George Lopez.

The research seminar, entitled “Assessing the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Efforts,” has its roots in a project on U.N. Security and Sanctions that was written by Lopez and David Cortright. Cortright is the president of the Forth Freedom Forum, an organization devoted to exploiting nuclear proliferation and the non-violent resolution of international conflict.

As a result of this project, the two men were asked by several governments to examine the efforts of the recently created U.N. Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC), with which the Krue Institute has been involved since the program’s inception. The report was commissioned by the Danish Foreign Ministry, which awarded Lopez and his team funds for the project after he first presented his research design in Copenhagen. He then began to plan ways for Notre Dame students to become involved in the project.

“It asked what benefits are in the project,” he said. “If I was students will allow for policy contributions. By LAURA VILIM
to and to work in research labs. Although she pays no tuition cost, Blake said she would still attend graduate school even if she did.

“In my field, I can’t really go anywhere unless I get a higher degree,” she said.

In addition to students, Saint Mary’s faculty and staff also play an active role in the application process. Many departments include graduate advisors who work with students to answer questions they have and provide feedback on application materials.

The registrar’s office is especially instrumental in helping students prepare for graduate school, mostly through its work processing transcripts. The office processes over 250 transcripts requests at the end of last semester, although it is under-manned by how many of those were.
INSIDE COLUMN
The next step

In my opinion, there are two categories under which seniors are grouped. The first is comprised of those who anxiously await graduation and the "real world" of apartments, bills and careers that now lurk only four months away. Some even graduate a semester early just to get out there rather than the rest of us.

The second category is made up of seniors who, in all seriousness, wish they could be freshmen again. Heck, even high school looks good compared to the inevitable presence of responsibility and expectation. These seniors will manage heavy course loads and mounds of homework with a "grin and bear it" approach just for a chance to dwell in the college lifestyle five minutes longer.

Without a doubt, I have always considered myself to be in the second category — hands down. At no point do I want to lose my group of friends and venture off to a big city, alone, to start over without the comforting to think that this is somehow a justicé of the career I've made in a seaside town near Rome. As much as I don't want to think about it, chances are that some of my friends and I will drift apart as life leads us in different directions. Oddly enough, it's comforting to think that this is something I'm probably not alone in facing.

Maybe instead of falling into one group or the other, we should instead find middle ground. I certainly intend to take advantage of my 13-credit semester and every available moment of free time while enjoying myself at South Bend's fine drinking establishments. This is the same person who, the day after Christmas, bought a Christmas tree and ornaments on sale in preparation for the New Year. I know the real world is coming, and expect a furious vendetta! the Codacons declared in a celebratory public-advocacy group. More citizens want to file complaints, the group said.

Firefighters protest porn star on force KEYES, Calif. — A firefighter moonlighting as a porn star for a little extra cash has caused a stir in this small rural town, officials said. Seventeen firefighters in Keyes, a town of less than 5,000 in the middle of the Central Valley's dairy country, walked off their jobs to protest Alexa Jones' other career, which they said she discussed while on the job with her husband, Assistant Chief Roger Jones.

Capt. Herb Collier, one of the 17 who dropped their gear and resigned earlier this week, said Thursday that not only did the couple bring the topic up in the station, but Roger Jones also fired a cadet who got curious and checked out Alexa's site — without paying.

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"Making snow angels."
"Indoor snow fights!"
"Filling my underpants with snow."
"Jumping into some fresh snow."
"I hate snow and wasn't meant for this weather."
"Shredding the Nar-nar."

Offbeat
Italian wins lawsuit over coffee price

ROME — Meddle with an Italian's cappuccino and expect a furious froth. In the first ruling of its kind, a justice of the peace found that a cafe in a seaside town near Rome overcharged a retired man 23 euro cents for his liquid breakfast after the currency conversion. The coffee bar was ordered to refund the price increase — about 30 U.S. cents — plus the man's legal costs.

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Association honors four ND graduates

Four Notre Dame graduates will be honored by the Notre Dame Alumni Association during ceremonies on campus next week.

The Rev. Arthur Harvey, C.S.C., Award, which recognizes achievements in the performing arts, will be presented to John Santos, a 1979 graduate and the first Mexican-American Rhodes scholar, in honor of his work as an award-winning writer, producer and documentary filmmaker. The producer of more than 40 documentaries on culture, religion, politics and spirituality, Santos received Emmy Award nominations for "Exiles Who Never Left Home" and "From the AIDS Experience." He has worked both on- and off-camera for CBS News and PBS and serves on the Presidential Advisory Commission on Excellence in Education for Hispanic Americans.

William Schickel, a 1944 graduate who directs the Maritain Gallery in Loveland, Ohio, will receive the Rev. Anthony Lauck, C.S.C., Award, for outstanding accomplishments in the fine and visual arts. Honored for his creations of religious art, Schickel is a painter, sculptor, stained glass maker, and architectural and furniture designer, whose creations include the triangular drinking fountain at Notre Dame's Grotto. Schickel received the American Institute of Architecture Gold Medal Award for his renovation of the Abbey of Gethsemani in Trappist, Ky., and also designed the renovation of the National Shrine of Philippine Duchesne in St. Charles, Mo.


Dr. Paul Wright, a 1972 graduate and former cardiologist for Mother Teresa, will receive the Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Award for his record of outstanding humanitarian service. A volunteer for Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity, which comforts the destitute, abandoned and dying, Wright attended Mother Teresa's beatification ceremony in October at the Vatican.

Hesburgh to lecture on Mary

University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh will give a lecture on "Notre Dame: Our Lady" 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Hesburgh Library's Carey Auditorium. Hesburgh served as Notre Dame's president from 1953 to 1987. His 35-year tenure included the transfer of governance from the founding religious community, the Congregation of Holy Cross, to a predominantly lay board of trustees in 1967, and the admission of women to the undergraduate program in 1972.

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about the government — and I complain a lot," Charbonnet said. Despite these students' efforts, the Referendum for Public Safety and Civic Engagement (PACE), affiliated with Salisbury University, reports that on the average, the voter's registration level among college students is 16 percent lower than that of the total voting-age population. In 1972, the 26th Amendment granted suffrage to 18- to 24-year-olds for the first time.

However, in recent years the media has emphasized a decrease in social activism among young adults.

Even with this negative stereotype, Notre Dame students remain involved in the political process. Fitzmaurice and the four Democratic students in her association with other organizations on campus, are planning a Rock the Vote! initiative on campus later this semester. "I am registered to vote (because) I want to have a say in the political system, even though sometimes the most votes doesn't equal the winner," said sophomore Matt Frey. "I am not following a candidate as of now, but I do think some of the preliminary Democrats are more qualified than the others.

Senior Jessica Leibowitz remembers the 2000 election as a big event on campus. "My friends and I really cared about the election, but in reality it all depended on where you were from, what kind of family you were from, and who your friends were," she said. "We watched the debates, which were really important, and left the TV on all night, getting to thinking Gore had won." Leibowitz, who voted by absentee ballot, said she thinks television exposure and campus voting drives also contributed to the 2000 election's publicity.

"I'm not registered to vote — I didn't turn 18 until I got here," freshman Carolyn White said. "I really don't know if I'm going to vote yet, and if I do, it will not be for Bush. I think the Notre Dame student body election is more important at present, but whoever gets elected as the U.S. president will still be in office when we graduate, and his/her presidency will greatly shape the economy and job market."

White said that campaign platforms in 2004 will greatly affect the lives of Notre Dame students as they look forward to the future.

"At the national level, students should be interested in candidates who support increased federal aid to college students, take gungy positions on protecting civil rights, and address the problems that we saw in high school and that our children will see — like aggressive positions on drug and gun control," Cartwright said.

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this for ND?" Lopez said.

First among the benefits is that the majority of this research will be conducted by the students, as opposed to the part of the seminar. Students will be selected to participate based on their interest in the areas of political science and international affairs, as well as on their resumes and grade point averages.

In order to ensure that the decisions the students make are viable options for enhancing the policies of the CTC, the seminar is divided into two main parts. First, each student will participate in collective reading and discussion of an article that will serve to bring every member to an equal level of understanding concerning current issues of the CTC's work. Each, next, each student will choose a specific topic to examine extensively with the help of one of the research directors, including Lopez and Cortright.

"In this way, students will get to research topics that are interesting to them," Lopez said.

The questions and queries of the project cover a wide range of counter-terrorism issues, including how to approach countries that refuse to cooperate with the policies of the CTC, the ability to legitimize terrorist funds, an examination of how individuals and organizations are placed on the "inner" list, and an assessment of the human rights dimension of the CTC.

When the research is complete, every participant will assess and critique the individual elements of the finished project report. Then Notre Dame and the Forth Freedom Forum will present their findings to the Danish government and an organization known as the International Peace Academy. From there, parts of the project or the project in its entirety will be presented to the Spanish government — the chair of the CTC, which can then introduce it to the Security Council of the UN.

Stephanie Ahern, a first year graduate student who majored in international relations, said she was thrilled to be selected for the seminar after receiving an e-mail from Lopez describing the project.

"The project seemed to be a unique opportunity to combine every day practice for a real-world, timely project," Ahern said. "My interest in studying political science is to help make a difference, and this seemed like an opportunity to do just that."

Ahern plans to do specific research on the European Union's requirements for new members to become compliant with the CTC before they can become full members, a decision she made for political reasons.

Ahern believes that one of the greatest aspects of the seminar is that participants like Ahern will gain a deeper understanding of how research in a classroom setting can be linked to real life issues.

"This is a fairly unique on-campus experience that is as close to working for a think tank as you can get," Lopez said. "It is relevant and dynamically interactive. The questions are moving targets."

Ahern agrees that it is the real-life experience of doing research that could have serious implications for U.N. policy that makes this seminar so unique.

"It places an exceptional importance on completing this work as thoroughly as possible to make our world safer," Ahern said.

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Job Search Club

The Career Center — University of Notre Dame

Join the Career Center Staff and a group of ND students who will collaborate on a unique project over a four month period to search for jobs and internships throughout the nation.

Five meetings are scheduled for spring semester 2004. All club members must attend all five sessions in order to participate.

21 JOB SEARCH CLUB ORIENTATION MEETING Wednesday, January 21 4:00 pm or 6:00 pm, Flanner 114

• Learn about the club format, timeline, membership and more
• Identify geographical areas of interest among student members
• Review goals and objectives

22 CAREER RESEARCH Wednesday, February 21 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., Flanner 114

• Discover unique and creative ways to find prospective employers
• Gain access to $1,000s worth of on-line resources
• Begin your personal job search tracking system

53 NETWORKING STRATEGIES Wednesday, February 25 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., Flanner 114

• Gain access to the Notre Dame Alumni Career Network
• Role play session on informational interviewing

04 CONTACT MANAGEMENT, FOLLOW-UP, GUEST PANEL Wednesday, March 31 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., Flanner 114

• Job search assessment: key leads and note leads
• Just in time recruiting of college grads by local employers
• Continue alumni networking with special guests

25 TRANSITIONS FROM BACK PACK TO BRIEFCASE Wednesday, April 14 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., Flanner 114

• Transitions for college to career: budgeting, car buying, insurance, apartment hunting
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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**Suicide bomber kills 20 in Baghdad (AP) — A suicide car bomb killed 20 Iraqi police officers and 22 civilians in central Baghdad on Saturday, officials said, in the deadliest attack here since Saddam Hussein's capture last month.**

**Khemer Rouge official admits mistakes (Pailin, Cambodia) — The top surviving leader of the Khmer Rouge admitted he made "mistakes" during the feared regime's rule but denied being guilty of genocide and rejected the idea that millions of people died.**

**National News**

**AARP hit for supporting bill (Washington) — At least 45,000 people have quit the AARP over its support for Medicare legislation last year, association president William Novelli said Friday.**

**Local News**

**Gary zoning measure fails (Gary, Ind.) — After a two-year zoning quagmire in a city that wants to build a mental health and treatment center, the city of Gary has conceded defeat.**

**Two prison guards taken hostage**

**Associated Press**

BUCKEYE, Ariz. — Two state prison guards were taken hostage by inmates early Sunday and the negotiators were called in to try to de-escalate the situation.

One inmate attacked a guard shortly after 5 a.m. during breakfast preparations, then met up with another inmate in the prison yard and the two gained access to the officers' tower, said Jim Robideau, a spokesman for the Arizona Department of Corrections.

A male correctional officer taken hostage Sunday morning has been injured, said Cam Hunter, a department spokesman.

Officials did not release details of the injured officers' injuries but said the hostage, a female correctional officer, was not injured.

Two other officers and a staff member were injured in a scuffle, Robideau said.

All other staff and inmates were accounted for, and the rest of the inmates were locked in their cells, authorities said.

Negotiation teams and officers from the Corrections Department, the Department of Public Safety and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office were at the Arizona State Prison Complex-Lewis.

Officials at the scene said they didn't know what the negotiators were discussing with the inmates.

Joe Masella, president of the Arizona Correctional Peace Officers' Association, said that although he had no details about the situation, negotiators generally try to calm the inmates and "make them realize that they're in a no-win situation.

The hostages' families were told of the situation. "The families are in a state of anxiety and turmoil, just like we are here," said Bonnie Rollins, another department spokesman.

The medium-to-high-security prison in Buckeye, west of Phoenix, houses 4,400 inmates, most convicted of felonies such as manslaughter and aggravated assault.

Masella said the prison had been very short staffed at one point but that the situation had been resolved.

He said prison staff did a good job of ensuring no other inmate disturbances occurred after the hostage-taking Sunday.

"It could have been a lot worse," Masella said. "Once these inmates get a taste of blood, so to speak, there's no telling what they can do.

Earlier this month, the prison was the site of two small fires started after an altercation between two inmates spread unrest among 80 prisoners. No one was hurt as a result of the fires, but three correctional officers suffered minor injuries.

Hunter, the department spokesman, said the two incidents were not related.
Episcopalians gather to protest gay bishop

Associated Press
PLANO, Texas — Conservative Episcopalians are gathering Monday to establish an unprecedented nationwide organization to unite opponents of last year's consecration of their denomination's first openly gay bishop.

Activists say the new Network of Anglican Communion Dioceses and Parishes won't be a breakaway denomination or schism but rather a "church within a church." Nonetheless, it's a potentially serious challenge to Episcopal Church leaders.

The two-day meeting to form the network involves bishops, clergy and lay delegates from 12 dioceses representing 235,000 members, a tenth of the nation's Episcopalians.

The network's temporary leader, Bishop Robert Duncan of Pittsburgh, says the meeting will give the denomination's traditionalist wing "some sense there is a future."

That claim started in a confidential network memo that was leaked to the media last week.

Delegates at the meeting plan to form the Episcopal Church's national Anglican Communion — bodies which trace their heritage back to the Church of England. Many Anglican churches have denounced or broken fellowship with the Episcopal Church over the consecration last November of V. Gene Robinson, an openly gay cleric, as bishop of New Hampshire.

Still, one of the reasons conservative parishes won't bolt is that traditionally Anglican churches usually surrender their properties to the denomination.

The Rev. Donald Armstrong from Colorado Springs, Colo., a delegate representing midwestern and mountain states, says "we've got a $12 million facility and we can't just walk away from it."

The Episcopal Church's national leader, Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold, has proposed a plan for special visiting bishops to minister to conservative parishes. American Anglican Council leaders have rejected Griswold's system, however, because decisions would rest with liberal bishops they distrust.

Various congregations in 37 U.S. Episcopal dioceses have applied for leadership from special conservative bishops sent by the network. An ecclesiastical tangle would result if network bishops defy church law and work outside of the communion without permission from the local bishop.

Last week's leaked memo said "widespread disobedience of church law may be necessary" and conservatives should be prepared to risk trials in church or secular courts.

However, the best bishop for this meeting, James Stanton of Washington (D.C.) Diocese, is tightlipped about most details, compared to risk trials in church or secular courts.

Stanton says calling the network schematic "gets things exactly backwards" because "the act of schism" was the national denomination's approval for Robinson.

Many overseas Anglican churches have broken ties with the Episcopal Church since Robinson's consecration. Armstrong says the network "will become the organization by which the Anglican Communion will continue to have a presence in the United States."

Robinson vows to work against those he says want to "sabotage" and destroy the church.

"Graduate school is an excellent step for students if it coincides with their career aspirations and desire for intense, advanced training in a specialized area," Bryant said.

Instead of attending graduate school immediately following college, a significant number of students also remain open to the option of applying to the future.

"I'm thinking about taking the GREs because they're good for five years," said senior Jessica Kendrick. "That way, I have time to decide whether or not grad school is something I want to do in the future."

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intended for graduate applications, said Estraria Lorraine Kitchiner.

This year, 56 students attended the Counseling and Career Development Center's Graduate School Night held in September. The number of interested students remains consistent from year to year, said Angela Bryant, career counselor and function coordinator.

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Without the extra protection, the release of identities "could have a real chilling effect and prevent victims from coming forward," Democratic state Sen. Peter Groff said.

Rape shield laws in many states already protect the identities of alleged victims. Virtually all U.S. news organizations, including The Associated Press, follow policies against releasing names.

Groff's measure would allow prosecutors to decide whether to list accusers' names in legal proceedings under a pseudonym, such as Jane Doe.

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Legislators seek better rape victim protection

Associated Press
DENVER — After a resort worker accused Kobe Bryant of rape, her identity was splashed around the world on Web sites, the cover of a supermarket tabloid and a radio broadcast. The basketball star's attorney said the woman's name six times during a court hearing.

Now, two state legislators have proposed tighter legal protections for people who report being raped, citing the hate mail and death threats that targeted the 19-year-old accuser after her name was published.

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs invites gay, lesbian, and bisexual students of the Notre Dame family, their friends, and supporters to an informal coffee at the Co-Mo.

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Cold weather raises crude futures

Conrad Black, who has been fired as chairman of Hollinger Inc., in a photo from November 2003. Black has agreed to sell his controlling interest in Hollinger to Press Holdings International.
Bush sells workers short — again

For the last time — my fingers are crossed — President Bush will read his State of the Union address to Congress and the public. This ritual of televised salesmanship will undoubtedly be his gloss over his sorry record with, among other things, labor. But recent events have refreshed our memory, as two prevailing themes in the disheartening narrative of Bush’s term have again united: murky euphemism and crony capitalism.

Yes, themos. Our country, since Bush’s appointment, has borne witness to an unrelenting parade of Beltway artifice. Policies are hawked misleadingly as, for instance, the Clean Air Act, which relaxes pollution controls for 17,000 industries across the country, or the Healthy Forests Initiative, which opens remote woods to loggers. Pretense abounds, unquestionably, but close scrutiny reveals that businesses, not citizens, are the chief beneficiaries.

The view is, however, labor is again caught in Bush’s crosshairs: overtime pay is the specific target. At the center of the battle to revamp labor law is a proposed revision of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). Last fall both the House and the Senate voted against the plan. But with steady pressure from the White House, labor attorneys are expected to finalize the new rules this March.

Established in 1938, the FLSA supplied working families with important employment protections — namely, minimum national standards for wages and overtime. Under FLSA rules, roughly 80 million workers are now paid time-and-a-half when they work more than 40 hours a week, in many parts of the country — even on our campus, I assure you — many of these workers depend on overtime pay for survival (if not a second job), especially where the minimum wage lies far below the living wage, or during an economic recession. But the White House, evidently, couldn’t care less.

In fact, under the Bush proposal, a worker eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) could be ineligible to receive overtime pay. (A single worker making less than $33,178 and caring for two or more children could be eligible for the EITC, a federal income tax credit for low-income workers.) For the current administration, that would be overextending itself. Critics of the proposed rules say they could lead to 8 million Americans losing eligibility for overtime pay, largely white-collar workers earning more than $62,000 a year. Labor Department officials put the figure at around 650,000 and say 1.3 million low-wage workers now ineligible for overtime pay would start receiving it or a salary boost.

Also, critics explain that workers — including police officers, nurses and store supervisors, to name a few — would face unpredictable work schedules and reduced pay because of an increased demand for extra hours, for which employers would not have to compensate workers, according to an Economic Policy Institute report released June 26.

Bush is characteristically quick to brush such criticism aside — be it from unions, economists or even Congress. Needless to say, the White House and the Labor Department would never come clean about who wins and loses under their new rules. Instead, they point to the pluses of the Bush proposal: a 1.3 million who will become eligible for overtime. This is the sole evidence of their magnanimity.

But recent headlines should dispel any lingering faith in the nobility of Bush’s aims, as they again expose his view with whom Bush’s loyalties lie. A couple of weeks ago, the AP reported that the Labor Department published tips on how employers can avoid paying overtime. These tactics range from meager raises to “payroll adjustments.” The Labor Department added reassuringly that, for some companies, the financial impact could be “near zero.” Big Business can cancel out the “family-friendly” benefits of the new rules.

In other words, while the Bush administration readies another tax cut for those earning over $200,000 a year, it is briefing employers on ways to avoid shelling out deserved overtime pay. Can it possibly be any clearer where Bush stands on labor? Or how much he cares for working families? Our government is blatantly teaching Big Business how to short-change workers.

This grand new fraud shouldn’t be terribly surprising. The Bush administration slyly workers at every opportunity, couching each move in bogus rhetoric. This spathy — alias: “compassionate conservatism” — is boldly announced by both Bush’s tax cut plan and advocacy of the Free Trade Area of the Americas. Where the monstrosity was the vast catchaphora of NAFTA, the former shifts the tax burden from the wealthiest to the workers, favoring the richest 1 percent of Americans with $500 billion over 10 years.

It’s about time the Labor Department sends its moral compass in for repair. And for his role — lais­sez-faire laxity at least, hands-on complicity at most — Bush should be ashamed of himself. But unfortunately, and ironically, many of those worst affected by Bush’s economic policies are the same ones who will vote to keep him in office.

Roque Strew
Straight, No Chaser

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Which cartoon would you rather see on the Today page: Dilbert or Classic Peanuts?

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“One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors.”

Plato

philosopher
How can Catholics support Bush?

After socializing this weekend, I found that most of the people that I talked to about politics find George W. Bush in the upcoming election. I found this interesting, since this campus is founded on Catholic beliefs and many of the people here are Catholic.

As a Catholic, I strongly believe that the Bush administration contradicts the underlying principles of Catholicism. Yes, I agree that abortion is an unfortunate platform of the Democrats, but it seems that the Bush administration has done plenty of killing in these past three years. It also seems like many people like to use this issue of abortion as a rationalization to hoard money, but that's my opinion.

What really seems to be the main issue for backing Bush around here is taxes. The rationale: "It's a dog-eating world out there. Work hard, make money, and let the government take the rest." I think that this mentality lacks compassion and unity. Catholicism is based on a unity of people. We are all one body. We are not separate; therefore, we need to offer up ourselves (our tax money) to those who need it.

I believe that we, as Catholics, are called to share the wealth, no matter what the circumstances. There are many other issues that I would like to touch on as well. These issues, I believe, draw a fine line between Catholicism and the Bush administration, and they are as follows:

- **The environment:** As God created the world, it is our job to care for His creation. I have seen little care for this in the past three years.
- **The war:** The Pope was against the war from the beginning. How can Catholics be in favor of an administration that backs the war when the head of their Church believes it to be exceedingly immoral?
- **Foreign relations:** It is clear that Bush idealism strives to foster the growth and economic prosperity of the United States of America, and solely the United States of America. To my understanding, this administration hardly cares about the growth and economic prosperity of the world as a whole. Again, I come back to this principle of unity. Aren't we obligated, as Catholics, to unite with people outside of our own country? With our power and money, shouldn't we care more about what's going on in places like Africa?

Here's a better question: "Does anyone even know what's going on in Africa?"

It seems to me that fear has driven a lot of the Bush political mentalities. Brining in a Democrat who may shake things up a bit and allow too much money for something so incredibly needed as health care is too liberal of a policy for many people. As for fear about national security, I believe that the United States is in the worst international position than it has ever been. The majority of the world is disgusted with what it comes to America's indulgence of power. And, as history will tell us, when animosity is raised, revenge becomes part of the agenda. In addition, I think that suffering ties with the United Nations was another bad move on behalf of the Bush administration. I believe this was unwise because, again, I believe that we are called to foster unity — of all people, of all nations — no matter how far-fetched or seemingly impractical.

In conclusion, I want to say that I'm not claiming that Republicans are evil or that George W. Bush is evil. Republicans, Democrats, Bush and the people in Africa are all people under God. We are all one and we should be striving to serve one another, no matter what country or economic status we come from. One way we can do this is by electing a man or woman who will help us do this in the best way possible.

My vote is for Dick Gephardt. Here is a man who knows diplomacy, humility, democracy, compassion and unity. Of those running, I believe that he is the man who will best carry out Catholicism's idealism.

Jacqueline Cuisnier
Holy Cross Hall
Jan. 18

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**Anti-Bush TV ads are weak**

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Moveon.org, the anti-Bush Web site backed by billionaire George Soros, posted two 30-second TV ads last week that compared President Bush to Adolf Hitler.

The ads were part of the Moveon.org campaign called "War on Terror," a "Do It For America" ad contest hosted by the Web site to help them "Find the most creative, clear and memorable ideas for ads that tell the truth about George Bush's policies." The two ads were later pulled from the competition because they presumably violated a rule stating that nothing inappropriate for television would be posted.

Judging the contest is a celebrity panel of Hollywood icons, Jr. Black, Gus Van Sant and Janeane Garofalo. Of course, who's better at determining fact from fiction than truth from lies than those among us who get paid millions to play pretend?

While it may be astonishing that a seemingly professional organization could let such a horrific mistake slip by, consider Soros recently made, considering Soros recently made, the unchallenged comparison in an interview with The Washington Post. The successful financier has definitively been a leader in the "Hate Bush Parade," so much so that he has paid competitors millions of dollars to defeat Bush. His project Moveon.org is paying $7 million to air two of their TV ad contest.

If Bush is so obviously the buffoonish idiot that the left makes him out to be, why does it take millions of dollars to convince the American people?

The truth is, the Democrats are in an incredibly horrible position. In order for them to stand a chance in 2004, the economy has to do a 180 degree turn and take a nosedive, as does the War on Terrorism. The tax cuts they viciously opposed succeeded in refunding the economy and creating new jobs, and the war they regret voting for turned out to be the greatest military operation in history. The president did all this while successfully preventing any further terrorist attacks on U.S. soil. This is called a "miserable failure" according to presidential hopefuls like Dick Gephardt.

In top that of the Democratic Party itself is in shambles. The presidential nominating front runner, Howard Dean, has been labeled by the Democratic Leadership Council (DLC) as being too far to the left of mainstream.

The DLC is the same organization that helped Bill Clinton get elected and its endorsement is essential to any democratic nominee. In a failed attempt to gain votes in the South, Howard Dean recently said that he would be the candidate for guys with Confederate flags in their pickup trucks. "This of course comes from a top nominee of the party most concerned with the danger of stereotypes."

So as the president maintains his 60 percent approval rating as a result of the hard work he has done over the last three years, the allegations will continue. Democrats will put down their "Make love not war" signs and, eventually enough, flock to hate parties like the one held last month in Beverly Hills, dedicated solely to hating our president. As the situation in Iraq and the War on Terror continues to improve we can expect the criticism from the Left to escalate and the childish name-calling to become even more animating.

At the end of the 17th century, a Massachusetts community possibly became the first conspiracy theorists in the New World in their search for witches who had secretly infiltrated their town, occupying all walks of life and ultimately seeking the end to all that was good. The citizens of Salem were searching for monsters and in the process became monsters themselves, sentencing and senselessly murdering at least 25 of their fellow townspeople.

Fast forward to the 21st century. An American political party is in search of intolerant, imperialist monsters responsible for all the wrong in the world. The outrages of the torch-bearing mob augment to an almost barbaric rhythm as the witches are rounded up and carried to the town square. The accused look normal. They're former factory workers, doctors and politicians, but the horror's most prized procession is being dragged from the head of the crowd. He's the leader of the free world, our 43rd President, George W. Bush.

This column originally ran in the Jan. 16 issue of The Lantern, the campus newspaper of Ohio State University. It appears here courtesy of O-WIRE.

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By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

Fifteen years ago, a building called the Marinatha Temple stood across the street from where the South Bend Center for the Homeless stands today. During the winter months, the church ran a program for the homeless, offering soup in the evenings, cots through the night and doughnuts and coffee in the mornings.

Today, the winter shelter at the Temple has expanded into one of the best shelters for the homeless in the nation. The South Bend Center for the Homeless does not only provide shelter for over a thousand guests per year and serve around 300 meals per day, the Center’s training programs, drug and alcohol treatment programs, tireless volunteers and efforts to get its guests into homes, cars and steady jobs help the homeless of South Bend get off the streets and turn their lives around.

From its beginning, the success of the shelter has been one of the best examples of cooperation between the South Bend and University communities. The Center for the Homeless gets only 15 percent of the $2.3 million it requires to stay open every year from the government, instead relying on donations from citizens, businesses, churches and other private organizations for the rest of its funding. In addition to helping the Center open, the University has donated around $150,000 every year toward maintenance, holiday meals and other needs. The Center also relies on donations of leftovers from the Notre Dame dining halls to provide its meals every day. Equally important to helping the Center run are the approximately 60,000 volunteer hours put in by Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students and people from the South Bend community every year.

“The Center is remarkable in that it’s a coming together of the University, the city, the people of South Bend, the business and religious communities of South Bend,” said Father Richard Warner, the chair of the board of directors of the Center for the Homeless. “I think, in that sense, it’s unparalleled.”

The beginnings of the Center

The Center was started when a group from the Marinatha Temple decided to try to build a shelter that would provide better services for the homeless in South Bend. Dave Link, a former dean of the Notre Dame Law School, and D'Arcy Chisholm, then working for the Center for Pastoral Liturgy, borrowed $100,000 from the federal government to put up the money for a newer and bigger building to house the shelter. Link and Chisholm, who had volunteered to help open the overnight shelter at the Temple, had realized the need for a better institution to help the poor in South Bend, and made the decision to take out the loan even though they were unsure how they would be able to pay it back.

“In many ways the inspiration for what happened came from students,” said Link. “There was a wonderful incident one night when an old man came in on a South Bend kind of winter night. He was badly inebriated, and when he sat down on the cot to take off his shoes, he rolled off.”

When Link helped the man take off his shoes he found his feet were frostbitten and asked a student volunteer to get cool water to thaw the man’s feet. “I guess he thought I was a priest, because he called me Father,” said Link. “He asked me if God still loved him even though he drank too much, and I told him God loved him, and got him into a cot where he fell asleep.”

While he was asleep, one student said, “I think we ought to do more for these people,” said Link. “She thought we ought to teach them a skill.” Link thought back to the incident when he saw the size of the new potential, and decided from the beginning that the shelter should be more than just a shelter, bringing in services, St. Joseph and Memorial Hospitals, the Madison Center, the Life Treatment Center, social security representatives and other South Bend organizations to make a sort of “one-stop shopping” for the homeless.

After paying the earnest on the building, Link and Chisholm began to search for a way to refurbish the building, finish setting up the shelter and repay their loan. Before taking their proposal to a national foundation, they decided to explain their vision to University President Father Edward Malloy.

“I said, ‘We better go tell Malloy what we’re doing or he’ll think we’re crazy,’ which a lot of people thought anyway,” said Link.

After reviewing their proposal, Malloy proposed that Notre Dame pay off the loan, put up the money to refurbish the building and lease the building back to the Center for the Homeless for one dollar per year.

The University and Bendix Allied Signal, a national company whose president was a Notre Dame graduate, each donated $500,000 dollars to developing the center.

Link and Chisholm’s efforts addressed what was becoming an increasingly great need in the South Bend community and across the nation at the time.

“Up until that point, you rarely saw families becoming homeless, but now it was actually families with children,” said Link. “I said Drew Buscareno, who served as director of the Center for the Homeless from July 1999 to December 2003 before becoming vice president of university relations at Notre Dame. “The idea was to develop a national model uniting higher education with local institutions. The concept seems simple, but the implementation was revolutionary.”

The center first opened its doors on Dec. 18, 1988, six months ahead of schedule. The shelter was called on to open early after a fire at the Morning Side Hotel, an institution where offices of the Madison Center and Hospital had previously helped the many people with mental disorders or drug and alcohol problems who took shelter there.

The entire community worked with the shelter to be able to provide services ahead of schedule.

“We were still painting, there were no beds and no lockers,” said Link.

In order to house the people from the Morning Side Hotel, the Center called Notre Dame and the South Bend Community School Corporation to donate beds and lockers to the shelter.

Link appealed to the community to find clothes and food for the people at the homeless shelter.

“I got on the radio and television and asked for donations, and the response was amazing. It blocked the streets, we filled 16 buses full of food and clothing,” said Link.

“It’s a big thing for us that people want to help,” said Tammy Oehm, senior director of Operations and Special Projects, who joined the center shortly after the center opened.
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of the city of South Bend and the University of Notre Dame

it away from direct monetary donations.

Center for the Homeless landscaping services and painting services offer guests at the Center a chance at job training, while they simultaneously raise money that goes back to fund the shelter. Center for the Homeless Cars does not employ shelter guests, but does generate money for the Center. Every year the Center gets cars donated from people who no longer need an old car or students who do not want to take a car home after they graduate, which they either sell at a very reduced price to a guest in need of a car or sell at auction. Car donors also receive a tax break.

While the Center is working on generating more revenue, it still relies on volunteers to run. While community volunteers usually work at the desk or in adult tutoring, student volunteers most often work in childcare and youth tutoring programs. ND and SMC students in the tutoring programs are paired with a child at the shelter and come twice every week to help the student with schoolwork. Around 110 students volunteer with children every semester.

"It's great for relationship building and consistency," said community-based learning coordinator Annie Kelly.

"Students are by far the largest chunk of volunteers," said director of volunteer services Felicia Moodie. "You can definitely tell the difference when there are breaks."

Some students volunteer through the community-based learning sections of First Year Composition, which was first started around eleven years ago. Others get involved through class government or dorm events, and decide to stay and help out after the first event is done.

Pasquerilla East senior Kathryn Lent first volunteered through as part of a dorm event, and has stayed for over two years. Organizes a group of about 10 students who go every Friday around 5 p.m. to take the kids from the shelter out to do something fun for a few hours.

"Not many things in their lives are structured and consistent, so it's very nice to be able to make sure people go to school on time," said Lent. "It's great getting to do the things the kids do, you forget what it's like to be a kid."

One of the most unique programs started by faculty volunteers is great books seminars. Program of Liberal Studies professors Clark Power and Steve Fallon. The professors run a seminar based on the ones offered to PLS students, where adult guests can read and discuss classic works and earn college credit. They started the program five years ago after reading about a similar program in New York City, and have about 15 students go through the program every semester.

Power and Fallon have found that the students enjoy the chance to discuss great works, and that the class can build a sense of confidence in their students. Far from struggling with the classes, the guests have turned out to be some of their most dedicated students, and their life experiences give them a unique insight into the great works of literature and philosophy.

"We wanted to donate time and energy, and thought we could use what we do as professors," said Power. "Often we look down on the homeless, but some people say that by doing this, we prove that people who are homeless have the same kinds of abilities and insights as anyone else."

The professors have seen some students recover from severe problems during the course. One former student who recently contacted them was formerly addicted to heroin, and is now working on a college degree. Others return to jail or addictions.

"We do not have any illusions that the small part we're doing can magically turn things around," said Fallon. "But it has given us a chance to work with people who are making these kinds of life and death decisions for themselves."

"We have visitors come to see the shelter from all over," said Oehm. "One thing that is difficult to duplicate is the community here, especially at Notre Dame."

Now and then

Whatever people do to help, they have the satisfaction knowing they can help turn a life around.

Link likes to tell the story of a man who had his life turned around by a student volunteer.

"We had an old guy who used to come into the shelter who was mean when he was drunk, and he was usually drunk," said Link. "He went through detox about 21 times on police orders, but usually fell right back off the ladder."

The man befriended a Notre Dame student who convinced him to go through rehabilitation again, this time voluntarily.

"I don't know if he'd ever had a friend," said Link. "But this time he stayed recovering and moved out of the shelter with a woman he met. His body was torn up and eventually he died, but he died with a job, his own place, a wife and respectability."

"This has grown into a fine institution, and Notre Dame volunteers made it go," said Link. "I'm pleased to have been a part and to have gotten the University involved."

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...after it was founded. "When the center started there were about five employees, and we could not have run without volunteers."

The service continues

Over the years the Center has developed a wide variety of programs available on-site. Now, the Center is working on programs that will allow it to become more self-sufficient with programs that generate revenue and move...
BOSTON — The NBA champi-
on San Antonio Spurs discov-
ered a familiar formula and ended their three-game losing streak.
With a strong defensive effort backed by Rasho Nesterovic's season-high 23 points and 13 rebounds, the Spurs beat the Boston Celtics 109-92 Sunday.
"We combined 48 minutes of good defense with making some shots," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "That certainly makes things easy for us.
Tony Parker scored 20 points — all by halftime — and Tim Duncan added 15 points and seven rebounds for the Spurs.
"Call in the party, because we've found our formula," Popovich said, referring to Parker. "Without him, we probably aren't as good.
Celtics coach Jim O'Brien wasn't nearly as pleased, of course, after his team's fourth loss in a row.
"We went out and played a familiar formula and lost. We didn't get to the rim, and I guess I too easily allowed the ball to move around instead of getting to the rim, because we've found him tough to stop," O'Brien said. "If I have to overplay people minutes to get the tough shots, then that's toughness that we need in that phase of the game, then that's what I'll do."
Paul Pierce scored 19, Mark Blount added 15, and reserve Vicki Davis had 14 for Boston.
"It's really tough when you go out on the court and all five guys aren't on the same page all the time," Pierce said. "We're trying to find our way together as a team that just doesn't seem to be working right now.
San Antonio has beaten Boston 12 times in a row and is 18-1 against the Celtics since the 1993-94 season.
The game was closest to the final quarter. The Spurs had their biggest lead at 95-80 on Bruce Bowen's jumper with 5:14 left in the game.
"Our defense was a lot better tonight, better for a longer period of time," Duncan said.
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Rashid Wallace scored 19, Alonzo Mourning had 18 and the Portland Trail Blazers ended their three-game losing streak.
Miami countered with eight points in a minute in the third quarter, and the Portland offense cooled off.
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NCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
No. 1 Duke uses late run to hold off Virginia
Associated Press
CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Alana Beard didn't need to domi-
nate the whole game this time.
A burst in the second half brought the game back into reach.
Beard overcame a miserable shooting night by scoring eight of Duke's 13 points in a 12-4 run over the final 2 minutes, finally giving No. 1 Duke control on its way to its 48th consecutive ACC victory.
With 63-52 against Virginia.
"Alana Beard is a very special player," Virginia coach Debbie Ryan said of the All-American, who finished with 18 from the field and 11-for-12 from the foul line.
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SMC Swimming

Belles remain winless on season

By DAN TAPETILLO
Sports Writer

A tune-up is all the Saint Mary’s swimming team needs. Conference rivals Olivet and Kalamazoo proved to be a real challenge for the Belles in their three-way meet last Friday. Olivet defeated the Belles 126-95, and Kalamazoo beat Saint Mary’s 137-98. The Belles now stand at 0-5 in the MIAA standings.

"Kalamazoo has always been a strong team and a good challenger," Saint Mary’s swimming coach Greg Petcoff said. "But it was Olivet that came to this meet ready to compete."

Olivet slightly defeated Kalamazoo 121-118 to finish the MIAA standings.

Belles now stand at 0-5 in the MIAA Championships.

Despite finishing 0-2 last Friday, Saint Mary’s came away from the meet with several notable highlights, as two swimmers were considered the top performers of the meet. Sophomore Kelly Nells and senior Megan Ramsey both finished first in two events. Nells won the 200-yard freestyle in 2:23.34 seconds and the 500-yard freestyle in 5:31. Ramsey won the 100-yard butterfly in a time of 2:23. The fifth fastest time in Saint Mary’s history.

"Nowak was neck and neck with the girl who finished first the last 50 yards, and [Nowak] has only been training for three weeks," said Petcoff. Freshman Bridget Lebedz finished fourth in the 200-yard freestyle in 2:05.32 and sixth in the 100-yard butterfly. Senior Jolie McGirnahan finished fifth in the 100-yard butterfly.

Nd Swimming and Diving

Irish build momentum with strong weekend

By MATT PUGLISI
Sports Writer

The men’s swimming and diving team continues to pick up momentum as the Irish (5-0) fell to No. 17 Pittsburgh, 228-123, but picked up a couple of victories against Maryland and Villanova, 201-140 and 282-51, respectively, this weekend in Pittsburgh.

"We tried to use our depth to our advantage, since that's probably our biggest strength," freshman Tim Kegelman said. Highlighted by the 400-meter individual medley, where Notre Dame swimmers junior David Moison, sophomore Jaime Lukkus and freshman Ted Brown, respectively, swept the event’s top three spots, the Irish jumped out to comfortable leads against both the Terrapins and Wildcats.

A day after finishing first in the 100-meter butterfly, Kegelman helped seal the victories for the Irish with an event victory in the 200-meter butterfly Saturday. Brown finished off a strong meet with a victory in the 500-meter freestyle, and Lukkus turned in a trio of top-three finishes.

The 282 points and 231-point margins of victory against the Wildcats both set school records for the Irish, eclipsing previous marks set in a 234-66 throttling of Boston College in 1996. After stumbling out of the gates to a 1-5 start, the Irish have posted four victories in their first five 2004 dual meets, losing only to the nationally-ranked, Big East powerhouse Panthers, winners of seven consecutive Big East titles.

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Scott secures Irish victory in comeback

By KATE GALES
Sports Writer

Matthew Scott's recently healed stress fracture in his right foot didn't hold him back Saturday, but instead the senior tri-captain's straight-set victory helped start men's tennis on the right foot with a win over No. 51 Indiana.

Scott's 6-3, 6-4 victory over Indiana's Ryan Recht at No. 2 singles led the 49th-ranked Irish to a 6-1 victory. Due to injury, it was the first time he had played a complete single's set since October. Scott is ranked 68th in the nation.

"The biggest thing in preparation for us was adjusting to the factor of the courts," Scott said of Indiana's fast playing surface. "We practiced Wednesday afternoon at the South Bend Racquet Club to prepare, which was a key factor for us."

At No. 1 singles, senior tri-captain Luis Haddock lost 6-7 (1-7), 6-4, 6-2 to Indiana's Jakub Praibis, ranked 70th last preseason before an injury caused him to miss much of the fall. Despite Haddock's one-set lead, Praibis rallied to score Indiana's only points.

Brent D'Amico defeated Indiana's Neil Kenner 6-2, 4-6, 6-2 at third singles, while fourth-spot Stephen Bass clinched the Irish singles victory by defeating Ryan McCarthy 3-6, 6-2, 7-5.

At No. 5 singles, Barry King defeated Dmitrii Ishuganov 6-3, 6-3, 1-6 and Eric Langenkamp rounded out the top six with a win over John Stone 7-6 (7-5), 4-6, 6-2.

Notre Dame also took the doubles match, despite Indiana winning the No. 3 doubles spot early with Bass and Paul Hisaka losing to Haddock and Kenner 8-6. The 18th-ranked duo of Haddock and Ryan Keeley clinched the point against Indiana's Recht and Stone 8-5 at No. 1, while at No. 2 doubles, D'Amico and Scott defeated McCarthy and Praibis 8-5.

"As a team, we're going to focus on doubles, which are the key to winning matches," Scott said. "Additionally, each of us has to build on the victory against Indiana and do individual things we need to work on — to come together as a team and get another road win is important for the Irish as they enter the dual-match spring season.

"It's great to get the "W" to start off the season, but we have a lot to work on," Scott said. "We'll build on this and look forward to Texas A&M on Friday (at home)."

"We've got a lot of potential: a deep lineup, strong freshman class, a lot of pride," Scott said. "The guys are really hungry to prove that we're a top-20 caliber team, and we're just out to prove that one match at a time — to do our best and have fun."

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MEN'S SOCCER

Richards, Detter selected in MLS draft

Special to The Observer

The team motto of "Making History" continues for the 2003 Notre Dame men's soccer squad. After achieving a top-five national ranking, winning the Big East Championship and establishing itself as one of the top programs in the nation, two members of Notre Dame's senior class were selected during the MLS SuperDraft in Charlotte, N.C., last Friday.

Kevin Richards became the first Notre Dame player to be selected in the MLS draft, getting the call at the fifth pick in round four (35th overall). Justin Detter followed one round later as the seventh pick in the fifth (47th overall) to the Kansas City Wizards.

Richards was a third team all-Big East selection in 2003 after starting all 23 contests and playing close to every minute of each game. He finished with one goal and three assists in 2003 and two goals and 11 assists in his career.

Detter played in 80 games during his career and finished with 14 career goals and eight game-winning goals. The 2003 Big East Championship Most Outstanding Offensive Player, he earned first-team all-conference honors and led the team with 14 goals and 33 points last year.

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Patriot defense stifles Manning

Associated Press

FOXBORO, Mass — The New England Patriots didn't need snow to ruin Peyton Manning's perfect postseason. Their defense did it all.

Ty Law had three interceptions, Rodney Harrison added another and forced a fumble, and the Patriots beat the Colts 24-14 to advance in their second Super Bowl in three seasons. Jarvis Green had three of the team's four sacks as the constant pressure made the NFL's co-MVP look quite average.

Manning had thrown eight touchdowns and no interceptions, and the Colts had scored 79 points in wins over Denver and Kansas City. But Indianapolis could never get going on Sunday, things were so bad that when the Colts finally had to punt for the first time in the playoffs, the snap went over the punter's head and resulted in a safety.

"They did a good job defending us but we did things we haven't done. We turned the ball over, we snapped a poor snap on the punt," Colts coach Tony Dungy said. "We made some miscues and New England is a good enough team to take advantage of that."

Tom Brady, meanwhile, was almost as good in the cold weather as Manning had been in his first two games. He finished 22-of-36 for 227 yards and a 7-yard TD pass to David Givens on the first drive of the game. He did, however, throw his first interception in 10 home games early in the fourth quarter.

But it didn't bother the Patriots, who have won big games before in foul weather. They are now 16-2 and have won 14 straight games.

With the victory, coach Bill Belichick is 5-0 in the postseason with the Patriots, who won the NFL championship two years ago by beating St. Louis.

The Colts took the opening kickoff right down the field for a touchdown on the pass from Brady to Tae Hill. It was 15-0 at the half on two of Adam Vinatieri's five field goals plus the safety on the botched punt.

The Colts (14-5) cut it to 7-0 lead, but Christian Fauria, a hero last week with the game-winning touchdown at the half on two of Adam Vinatieri's field goals, and the Eagles' secondary to make the Panthers once again showed no fear on the road. Shocking Philadelphia 14-3 and handing the Eagles their third straight NFL championship game defeat.

Rookie Ricky Manning Jr., a hero last week with an interception to set up the winning touchdown at St. Louis, picked off three passes against an ailing Donovan McNabb.

Eight days after ending Carolina's 14-game home winning streak in double overtime, the Panthers marched into The Line and grabbed their first conference crown. They'd gotten this far in 1996, their second season, but lost to Green Bay. This time, they extended the angst-filled wait for a championship. In Philadelphia and will head to Houston to meet the New England Patriots on Feb. 1.

For Philadelphia, it is now 20 full seasons without any kind of pro sports championship. The Eagles' last NFL title was in 1960, and they are the first team to host consecutive conference championships and lose both since game sites originally were determined by record in 1972.

Just two seasons back, the Panthers were the NFL's worst team with a 1-15 record. John Fox was hired as coach and engineered one of the most impressive turnarounds in league history. They beat Dallas handily at home in the wild-card round, then won the thriller at the Rams.

Fox's opportunistic defense made the difference Sunday, led by a fierce pass rush and third-round draft pick Manning, who tied an NFL championship game record with his three pickoffs. The Panthers hurt McNabb's ribs in the second quarter, then destroyed Philadelphia's chance for its first Super Bowl trip since 1981 with a powerful display in the third period.

By the final quarter, McNabb was out of options. Manning's third interception — off a deflection when receiver James Thrash was hit hard by Mike Minter — and his 17-yard return was critical.

So was the inability of the Eagles' secondary to make the kind of plays.

Lito Sheppard's 14-yard interception penalty on Steve Smith put Carolina at the 1. DeShaun Foster then powered through four tacklers for a 43-yard touchdown with 4:11 left in the third quarter.

In the final half, despite double coverage, Mushin Muhammad made a 24-yard touchdown catch for a 7-0 lead.
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Defeat
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record career highs in points (16), assists (four) and minutes (32) and tied his career high in rebounds (eight). Despite filling
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Irish forward Torin Francis dunks over a Syracuse defender
Saturday. Francis led all Irish players with 17 points.

Their identity than they are to

nation's elite.

And yes, the Irish are in big
trouble.

Not only did Saturday's 81-70
loss mark the worst home loss of
the Mike Brey era, it started to
turn the heat up on Notre Dame's
NCAA Tournament future.

Because the way the Irish have
looked against many of the top
teams on their schedule thus far to­
no one is mad to think they should
be playing in March.

The losses are staggering. In
a benign Joyce Center so quiet that
pins can be heard dropping on the
catwalk, the Irish have strug­
gled to harness the crowd's ener­
gy on the rare instances when it
does rise to its feet. For the sec­
ond game in a row, the Irish gave
up more than 40 points in the
point, prompting Timmermans to
say the Irish lack toughness.

Most striking of all, Brey said
after the game he's trying to fig­
ure out how this team fits togeth­
er. "We're still messing around
with that a lot more," Brey said.

Irish coach said after Notre
Dame's 31st game of the season.
Yikes.

Early-season losses to Indiana
and Central Michigan could be
chalked up to an inexperienced
team trying to find its identity.

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deficit and we would have to bounce

With six consecutive victories.

For the second time this year,

Despite filling out the stat sheet, the senior co­
captain of Notre Dame's inconsistent
defense, hitting 56.5 percent of
its shots compared to Notre
Dame's 41.7 percent. Forward
Hakim Warrick's game-high 19
points included a number of
highlight reel dunks. Guard Billy
Edelin finished with 17 points
with 15 coming in the

"Syracuse is ten
times the team we
are right now."]

Chris Thomas
Irish guard

To return to his slashing style of
career and is ten

Also, the Irish have no
margin for error.

"The one thing
I talked to them
about is that this
group has been
kicked around a little bit already.
But I don't know how to bring that
to the players. It's not like a first
e x p e r i e n c e , "

Resiliency is a word I used
with them back at the first team meet­
ing around Labor Day, because I
was looking at our schedule, and
I knew we had a heck of a sched­
ule and we would have to bounce
back." This time, there is no
American, Quinnipiac or
Half of their next 10 games are
against ranked teams, against
which the Irish, as Timmermans
pointed out after the game, are
0-3.

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hit a three to make it 41-33, West Virginia. A Teresa Borton layup cut the lead to six with 11:53 to play, but a pair of Mountaineer jumpers put the lead back into double digits.

"In the locker room everybody just said, 'Guys this is exactly what happened last year,'" West Virginia senior Michelle Carter told msnsportsnet.com. "We came out and laid down for them and they beat us. We just said we're not going to let that happen to us this time."

The Irish cut the lead to eight again with 5:24 remaining, but a West Virginia putback boosted the lead into double digits again. Notre Dame got it to single digits on more time at 3:32, but West Virginia answered with a layup to give them a double digit lead for good.

Notre Dame outrebounded West Virginia 33-32, and the Mountaineers took 16 more shots than the Irish, negating the good shooting of Notre Dame (22-for-44). West Virginia was automatic at the foul line, hitting 17-of-18 attempts, compared to the Irish who only made 3-of-12 from the stripe. The Mountaineers only turned the ball over nine times on the game.

Kate Bulger led three Mountaineers in double digits with 20 points, while Yolanda Paige had 14 points and six assists. Janell Dunlap added 10 points.

Meanwhile, Courtney LaVere was the only other Irish player in double digits, with 10 points on 4-of-8 shooting. It was the first win in 12 games for the Mountaineers against the Irish, Notre Dame's seventh road loss. This year, the Irish are 2-7 away from the Joyce Center.

"This is a great win, enjoy it tonight, we're off tomorrow and it is back to business on Monday," West Virginia coach Mike Carey told msnsportsnet.com.

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Bible
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Carlyle Holiday, linebackers Mike Goolsby and Derek Curry, defensive end Kyle Budinscak, defensive back Preston Jackson, defensive lineman Greg Pauly and tight ends Jared Clark and Billy Palmer.

Seniors Eligible for Fifth Year
QB Carlyle Holiday
LB Mike Goolsby
LB Derek Curry
DE Kyle Budinscak
DB Preston Jackson
DL Greg Pauly
TE Jared Clark
TE Billy Palmer

Players not applying for fifth year:
DB Garron Bible
WR Ronnie Rodamer

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FOOTBALL

Starting safety decides not to apply for fifth year

By JOE HETTLER
Associate Sports Editor

When it came down to applying for a fifth year of eligibility, Garron Bible didn't have to make a decision — his two ailing shoulders did that for him.

The senior defensive back, who has one-year of eligibility remaining, will not apply for the opportunity to play a fifth year for the Irish in 2004. "It came down to personal reasons and injuries," Bible said.

Bible said he plans to undergo reconstruc-
tive surgery to repair both his rotator cuffs but may still exercise his final year of eligibility at another school. "I haven't ruled anything out yet," said Bible, who plans to graduate in May with a double major in Political Science and Computer Applications. "First thing I'm going to do is get my surgery done."

Bible started the 2003 season as the starting strong safety before losing his starting job when Glenn Earl moved from free safety to strong safety. He did not start again until the Boston College game, after Earl went down with a season-ending injury.

Bible recorded 33 tackles, including two for a loss. He had 32 tackles as a reserve back his junior season.

Bible said he enjoyed most of his time at Notre Dame, especially those moments with his teammates. "The biggest positive is the experiences from my teammates on and off the field," he said. "I learned a lot in my four years here, and most of it has been good.

Bible joins wide receiver Ronnie Bodamer as the two players that have elected not to apply for a fifth year. Notre Dame players that have applied for their fifth year include quarterback Andrew Soukup.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish suffer letdown in loss to West Virginia

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

After defeating two top-25 opponents in four days, Notre Dame was unable to sustain that momentum against West Virginia Saturday, losing 64-51.

"We are not in their territory, not this particular team right now. They are really, really good, and we aren't in that ballpark, and we may never be in that ballpark this season, but there are some things we can do better," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said.

For the second straight game, an opponent dominated Notre Dame (8-5, 2-2 in the Big East) in the paint as the Orangemen outscored the Irish 46-26 from inside the lane.

Every time there was a loose ball, Syracuse (13-1, 3-0) seemed to get on the floor and grab it or be one step ahead of the Irish.

The loss was Notre Dame's fifth straight to Syracuse and 10th loss in the past 11 games against the Orangemen. It was also the worst home loss in the history of the program.

"They kill us every time they want to," Notre Dame guard Chris Thomas said. "I don't know if we are scared of them. They are 10 times the team we are right now."

What got lost in Notre Dame's third home defeat in its last four Big East home games was a career night from center Timmernans. With his back finally feeling healthy enough to play major minutes, he had long ago given up.

A couple of seconds after Warrick threw down the final of his four slam dunks, Irish coach Mike Brey signaled for a timeout, a gesture as meaningless as it was useless.

Warrick's dunk had given the defending national champions an 18-point lead, and although 3:51 remained in the game, an Irish team unable to contain a Syracuse run had wilted. Trudging back to the bench with a defeated gaze in his eyes, Irish point guard Chris Thomas looked at his teammates and saw absolutely nothing.

"They are getting dunks and easy lay-ups, and we are walking up and down the court looking at Coach, looking at each other," Thomas said. "There's no expression on our faces."

"We are just getting killed," Brey said. "Syracuse is really that much better than Notre Dame. Yes, Syracuse is a measuring stick that schools often use to compare themselves to the others."

Defending national champion Syracuse proves too much for Irish in 81-70 victory

By MATT LOZAR
Associate Sports Editor

Ten months removed from advancing to the Sweet 16, the Irish found out Saturday night how quickly they are a long way from contending in the Big East, obviously, and from being considered in the class of the Big East in 2004.

"I think they are that much better than us right now. I think they really are. ... They are a measuring stick program for their fifth year. ... They are really, really good," Notre Dame guard Matt Dunlevy said.

"They are getting dunks and easy baskets from being a 19-2 Big East team that had the Irish in a frenzy in the game a year ago to a struggling 8-5 squad with seven losses in eight games," senior defensive back Glenn Earl said.

A disappointing 81-70 loss at No. 17 Syracuse (13-1, 3-0 in the Big East) in the paint as the Irish fell apart. West Virginia (11-5, 3-2 Big East) went on a 24-0 run in the next eight minutes, putting them ahead 28-10.

Notre Dame (9-7, 2-2 Big East) committed 17 turnovers in the first half alone, and took 18 fewer shots than the Mountaineers in the first half.

This poor performance allowed West Virginia to build a 36-17 halftime lead, as they scored 17 of their 36 points off Irish turnovers.

However, last year in Morgantown, the Mountaineers built a 13-point halftime lead, only to lose to the Irish 66-59. For a while it seemed as though history might repeat itself, as the Irish started the second half on a 6-0 run. Jeneka Joyce proceeded to..."