Construction at the intersection of Angela Road and U.S. 31 includes changes in turn lanes and improvements in traffic signals.

College apologizes for comedy show

By ANNELESE WOOLFORD

In a campus-wide letter sent Monday, Saint Mary's vice president for student affairs Linda Timm apologized for the content of a comedy act that recently appeared on campus.

Several students, faculty and staff left the March 29 performance of "Alfred and Seymour" — an act booked last fall by the Student Activities Office to provide an educational perspective on racism and stereotypes — feeling offended rather than educated. Timm responded to seven letters of concern citing the act's reinforcement of degrading racial stereotypes.

"The educational message that we believed 'Alfred and Seymour' would deliver clearly did not come across as expected," stated Timm in her letter.

Melanie McDonald, director of public relations at Saint Mary's, said that the group.

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Retreat Center to close in December

By ANDREW THAGARD

The Fatima Retreat Center, located on Saint Mary's Lake, will close as a retreat center in December and reopen as a retirement facility for Holy Cross priests and brothers in 2000, according to Jim Kavanaugh, the Center's interim director.

The decision to close the Center after 48 years of operations was made in September by the Indiana Province of the Congregation of Holy Cross, which owns and operates the property. Business at the Center was good, according to Kavanaugh, and he said usage was not a factor in the Province's decision. Last year, Fatima welcomed 37 sponsored retreats and 139 hosted groups.

"I think the Congregation of Holy Cross wanted to pick a nice location for retirement," Kavanaugh said. "The location is ideal. It's a wonderful place for a retreat center but it will not serve our needs.

The Fatima Retreat Center, which owns and operates the complex, Property manager Pat Malloy is planning for the support they give us during the year," Conley said.

"The real purpose of the ceremony is to honor the University for the support they give us during the year," Conley said.

During the event, ROTC cadet leaders will call their units to attention and present them to Malloy and their assembled officials. The review will then present several top cadets with ceremonial swords — traditional military awards for outstanding performance. Malloy is expected to give brief remarks about the cadets' responsibilities before the student-soldiers parade before the reviewing stand.

The location of the ceremony was a controversial issue this year, as it has for the past three years. In 2001, administrators moved the event to Lotus from its prior location on South Quad, citing the potential for inclement weather. The Pass in Review has been held on the

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Police investigating off-campus mailbox theft

By SCOTT BRODFUEHR

The Indiana Department of Transportation is in the process of making lane changes and signal improvements at the intersection of Angela Ave. and Indiana 933, also known as U.S. 31, and predicts that construction at the high-traffic area will be completed within the next two weeks.

INDOT project supervisor Mike Mantel said that the work involves modifying the right turn lane from westbound Angela onto northbound 31. Before the project began, the right turn lane merged onto 31 without stopping at the light and was the cause of numerous accidents.

"There will still be a separate right turn lane, just in a different form," Mantel said. "Instead of having free flow, now [drivers] will have to come to the corner and stop and look. We want them to pay more attention to where they're turning and look for oncoming traffic."

While the right turn lane is presently closed, it will reopen when construction is complete and there will be four lanes of traffic on westbound Angela through the intersection — a dedicated left turn lane, two dedicated through lanes and one dedicated right turn lane.

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Angela improvements underway

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Yo creo en los EE.UU.

"I believe in America," the Italian-born undertaker says. "America has made my fortune."

That's the first line from "The Godfather," and it's a poignant expression of a faith that it sadly lacking today. Why do hundreds of thousands of Mexican immigrants risk prison, even death, to sneak across our southern border every year? They're not on their way to Canada. They have seen, like generations of immigrants before them—from all corners of the earth—that this is a place where anyone can succeed.

Immigrants exemplify the American Dream: starting from scratch in a new place, hoping to make a better life for their families. We shouldn't close our borders to these people. I've heard the arguments for restricting immigration. One of the most common is this: they'll take our jobs.

I don't like that kind of thinking. The impulse is well known. Americans are entitled, that the rest of the world should bicker over the scraps from Uncle Sam's table. But what anti-immigration people tend to forget is that nearly all of us are descendants from immigrants.

Americans are mutts. We come from all over the world. We don't see it up close. As a Texan, I've seen mind-boggling prosperity all along the border. I've seen our own tests in June and so far is the concept," he said. "We are going to run our own tests in June and they will influence design considerations."

"A man bets life savings, wins $270,600 in a double-or-nothing roulette wheel gamble at the Plaza Hotel and Casino." Ashley Revell, 32, a London man who said he liquidated all his possessions to fund his leap of faith, put $135,300 on red at the roulette table Sunday as a double-or-nothing roulette line took home $270,600 in a

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"I didn't get an Easter basket. I got no love for Easter."

"I didn't get a basket, but I got chocolate."
In a nation where 55 percent of adults are overweight and 1.5 million people are morbidly obese, Dr. Gerardo Gomez, a surgeon and medical director of the Indiana University Bariatric Surgery Program, lectured Tuesday on obesity and bariatric surgery. The presentation was the fourth in the 10th annual "Mini-Medical School Lecture Series," which is sponsored by the Medical Education Foundation and presented by the South Bend Center for Medical Education.

Obesity is a serious problem in the United States, Gomez said. It recently surpassed smoking as the number one cause of preventable deaths in the United States. Each year 300,000 people die from obesity-related causes. In the United States, Gomez said, it costs the United States $51.6 billion directly and $47.6 billion indirectly annually.

"It's a medical disease and there are medical conditions directly related to obesity," he said.

Gomez attributed the high rate of obesity to the large quantities of readily available food at low costs, particularly fast food and soft drinks, made more abundant in part due to labor saving technology.

"Everybody's eating more and more," he said. "We eat a lot more than we really need." Indeed, an average American will consume 30 pounds of cheese, 15 pounds of added sugar, 111 pounds of red meat and 28 gallons of beer each year. And while proper exercise can shed excess calories, the fatty diets that Americans consume are so caloric-rich that it makes it increasingly difficult to do so, Gomez said. One hour on the treadmill might burn 100 calories, for example, but a Whopper from Burger King is packed with 500.

Physicians and insurance companies measure obesity using the Body Mass Index (BMI), which is calculated by dividing weight (in kilograms) by height squared (in meters). Ideal people have a BMI in the range of 20-24.9. People are considered overweight if their BMI lies between 25-30 and obese if it's between 35-40. People who are morbidly obese or super obese have BMIs in the ranges of 40-49 and above 50, respectively.

"What causes obesity? Too much 'in', not enough 'out,'" Gomez said. "It's pretty simple." Obesity may be simple to understand, Gomez said, but not easy to treat. While the old fashioned method of maintaining a calorie deficiency by consuming moderate amounts of healthy foods and exercising is the preferred means of losing weight, bariatric surgery is often an alternative pursued by the morbidly obese if it fails.

The series will continue next week with a lecture by Dr. Keith Lillemoe titled "Surgery: Past, Present and Future."
American Association will begin at 7 p.m. "Wind Rider," this week with movies "My Sassy Girl," "Juliet, "Of their choice. The largest obstacle Crystall Blount, from the the future, the Committee's support of MegaPlan and Young said the largest obstacle facing the committee is student ignorance regarding their options and their healthcare plans. The report included the following: the lack of attendance at Health Care Orientation, the possibility of adding benefits in the future, the Committee's support of Megaplan and adjusted premium for students.

By TRISH DEGROOT
News Writer

The final Graduate Student Union meeting of the year was held Tuesday and members provided final committee updates. President Martiqua Post began the meeting by thanking those who served as committee chairs and officers. Timothy Dale then spoke on behalf of the Academic Affairs committee and addressed the committee's involvement with travel grants and account funding. The report on the Health Care Orientation included the following: the lack of attendance at Health Care Orientation, the possibility of adding benefits in the future, the Committee's support of Megaplan

AAA plans Asian Awareness Week activities

By DUSTIN VON HANDBOF
News Writer

Notre Dame's Asian American Association will celebrate its heritage and culture this week with movies and a banquet as part of Asian Awareness Week. "This week was chosen because it was right after Easter, and there is time for students to step back before finals," said Sarah Liu, president of the AAA. Held through Friday at 8 p.m. in the Coleman Morse Center, various student organizations will present an Asian film of their choice. The Saturday night movie will begin at 7 p.m., "Wind Rider," My Sassy Girl," "Ju-On," "The Debut" and "In the Mood for Love" are films slated for presentation. The Chinese Culture Society, Korean Student Association, the Japan Club, the Filipino American Student Organization and the Chinese Friendship Association are showing the films. "Movies are the fastest and easiest way to attract people," Liu said. "FTT doesn't show movies regarding Asian culture." In addition to a movie, AAA will host a "Taste of Asia" banquet Saturday featuring chicken with mixed vegetables, fried rice, beef, and lumpia. The banquet will aim to "cover as much Asian culture as we can," Liu said. Also contributing to Asian Heritage Week, the Free Burma Coalition will present an informational fair entitled "Burma's Forgotten War" in the Village, printing quota updates, improvement of cluster services, CTC meetings and GSU cluster upgrades. He then concluded with a schedule for their committee and an outline of the upgrade budget. Alison Dekoschak, chair of the Publicity and Procedures Committee, whose job is to "announce events and oversee the organization's professional image," gave a timeline of past events. She highlighted the tasks her committee performed during both the summer and winter seasons.

LaFortune Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The fair seeks to educate on the political unrest and social injustices occurring in Burma.

Although Heritage Week is typically dedicated to honor Asian Heritage Month, the AAA opted to celebrate during the school year to increase awareness among Notre Dame's campus community. "The event promotes awareness, appreciation and understanding of Asian cultures and encourages mutual respect for all racial and ethnic groups," Liu said.

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Bush: U.S. will finish job in Iraq

In rare press conference, president says he will order ‘decisive force if necessary’

Iraq figures in Bush’s decline in public opinion polls in two areas that are critical for his re-election campaign. Approval of his handling of terrorism has declined to the mid-40s, and approval for the handling of terrorism has dipped into the mid-60s. Growing numbers of people say the military action in Iraq has increased rather than decreased the threat of terrorism.

“I think you have to keep in mind that there are always challenges and difficulties when you’re going from decades of oppression to a future of democracy,” McClellan said.

Sen. John Kerry, the presumptive Democratic presidential nominee, says the United States should keep control of the military operation in Iraq but recruit other nations to stabilize and rebuild the country.

“Because of the way the White House has run the war, we are left with the United States bearing most of the costs and risks associated with every aspect of the Iraqi transition,” Kerry said in a column writing for Tuesday’s Washington Post.

Kerry also said, “We need more troops and more people who can train Iraqi troops and assist Iraqi police.”

McClellan said Bush looks to military commanders to decide whether they need more troops. He said the administration was working closely with the United Nations and with Iraqi leaders on an interim government to assume responsibility on June 30 for a transition period, before elections are held.

President Bush speaks during a press conference televised live Tuesday evening from the East Room of the White House.

It was Bush’s first prime-time news conference since March 6, 2003, just days before the opening of the war to depose Saddam Hussein. Bush’s only other evening news conference was on Oct. 11, 2001, a month after the terror attacks.

In the hours leading up to Bush’s appearance, the national commission investigating Sept. 11 held a televised hearing and issued a report that said a more alert FBI and CIA working together might have uncovered the terrorists’ plot. The report detailed an agonizing series of missed opportunities, half-measures and bureaucratic inertia.

Commissioner Thomas H. Kean called it “an indictment of the FBI for over a long period of time.”
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Astronaut alumnus
to lecture Thursday

Special to The Observer

Astronaut and University of Notre Dame graduate James Wetherbee will deliver a lecture Thursday at 1:45 p.m. in the auditorium of the University's Hesburgh Center for International Studies. Wetherbee, who is currently technical assistant to the director, Safety and Mission Assurance Directorate, Johnson Space Center, will discuss high reliability organizations (HROs). He also will examine leadership's role and responsibility in creating and maintaining the conditions necessary to sustain a culture of high reliability.

A veteran of six space flights, Wetherbee has logged over 1,592 hours in space and has been assigned to command five space missions. Prior to his most recent appointment, he served as director of the Flight Crew Operations Directorate and as deputy director of the Johnson Space Center.

Wetherbee graduated from Notre Dame in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering.

Wednesday, April 14, 2004

The Keough Institute for Irish Studies is pleased to announce that Angela Bourke will be the Naughton Fellow for 2004-2005. A Senior Lecturer in Modern Irish in University College Dublin, Angela has published widely on oral culture and literature, including two books Caomeadh na d'Tri Muire (1983), a study of the Crucifixion in oral religious poetry, and The Burning of Bridget Cleary: A True Story (1999), a critically acclaimed cultural history of how a young Tipperary woman came to be burned to death by her relatives in 1895. Her next book, Maeve Brennan: Homesick at The New Yorker will be published in London by Jonathan Cape in June 2004 and by Counterpoint, New York in October. A highly regarded teacher, she has previously been a visiting professor at Harvard University and the University of Minnesota; she was appointed a member of Royal Irish Academy in spring 2004.

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Women in Irish Oral Traditions

Oral storytelling, traditional singing and other verbal arts can offer ways of thinking and knowing that are independent of the linear modes of writing and print. Moreover, like other kinds of art, oral tradition offers individuals and communities ways of constructing and maintaining identity, often against considerable external pressure. This course will explore oral verbal art in Irish and English, through transcribed texts, sound recordings and film, paying particular attention to depictions of women and gender by writers, and offering gendered readings of the material studied. We will examine and discuss a number of genres of oral verbal art, including the International Folktale, Legends of the Supernatural, and Lament Poetry, and will also pay attention to the use of this material by twentieth-century writers. Translations of Irish-language texts will be available, so no prior knowledge of Irish is required.
Despite the recent rash of headlines about the case and whether they could be fair, the recent report in The Washington Post, saying only that it was continuing its efforts to cooperate with the investigation, was a pleasant surprise, Bryant said. "We don't see any of this as a problem," Bryant said.

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Ford recalls SUVs with engine faults

DETROIT — Ford Motor Co. is recalling more than 363,440 Escape compact sport utility vehicles from model years 2001-2003 because the engine may stall at certain speeds.

Ford said some Escapes with a 3-liter, V-6 engine may experience an intermittent stall when decelerating at speeds below 40 mph.

Of the total recall of 363,440, about 322,000 of the vehicles are in the United States. The remainder are elsewhere in North America and overseas.

In most cases, the customer said, the driver is able to restart immediately after the stall.

Ford said its automotive safety office has identified eight minor accidents that may have occurred because of the engine condition, three of which involved minor injuries.
Mob allegations threaten casino project

Associated Press

CHICAGO — It sounds like a can't-miss deal — a new casino within sight of one of the world's busiest airports.

But gambling regulators' decision to allow the casino in a suburban town whose mayor may — or may not — have ties to organized crime has set off an investigation and a storm of criticism, with critics on both sides setting a record for use of the term "mobbed-up" in a public debate.

At issue is a plan to build a casino in Rosemont, next to O'Hare Airport and its millions of travelers per year.

Developers and politicians are positively drooling over the prospect of billions in profits and tax revenue.

But now the only people who seem happy about the mess are gambling opponents.

"I call it the briar patch," said the Rev. Tom Grey, an anti-gambling activist. "Everyone who touches this gets stuck."

The firestorm was touched off March 15 when the Illinois Gaming Board chose Mississippi-based Isle of Capri Casinos to build in Rosemont, arguing its bid of $318 million and the site's potential to tap into the convention and travel market, and the Chicago population were best for the state.

But the board acted over the recommendation of its own staff, which was worried about accusations that Rosemont Mayor Don Stephens, a long-time political powerbroker, had mob ties. The staff also had concerns about Isle of Capri's finances.

Company executives have insisted their finances are healthy and the mayor has denied he is a crook, but Illinois' attorney general suggested Rosemont may be unsuitable for a casino and has threatened to kill the deal.

Also, Gov. Rod Blagojevich has appointed a former deputy U.S. attorney general to investigate the deal.

"To simply trust the Gaming Board, I think, is asking the taxpayers and all of us, too much," said Blagojevich, who appointed only one of the five board members.

In explaining the board's vote, chairman Elzie Higginbottom said the decision was about tax revenue. He said that it is regulators' job to keep organized crime out.

"If we move forward with this facility, it will not be mobbed-up," he said. "And if you put a facility anywhere and it is not appropriately and properly regulated, the mob will move in. They are mobile, ladies and gentlemen. They do not just sit in one spot."

Despite the back-and-forth between the governor and the Gaming Board, the board on Tuesday hired the same investigator Blagojevich picked to review the board's decision on Rosemont. Higginbottom and Blagojevich both insisted there was no conflict of interest, saying the only way Eric Holder Jr. could review confidential Gaming Board documents was for him to be hired directly by the board as a special investigator rather than by another agency under the governor's control.

Madigan spokeswoman Melissa Merz said the attorney general was confident Holder would do his job "thoroughly and professionally." He will be paid up to $300,000 from the Gaming Board's budget.

The project would be Illinois' 10th casino. Regulators estimated it could bring in as much as $2.6 billion in revenue in its first five years, producing $1.1 billion in taxes for the state.

Jale of Capri president Tim Hinkley said Rosemont is still the best location in the United States for a casino. He defended his company, which operates casino in five states, and said it should not be tainted by questions about Rosemont's mayor.

"You don't get 17 licenses just by being good guys. You prove yourself every single time," Hinkley said.

In 2001, the Gaming Board rejected a previous attempt to open a casino in Rosemont. The board said the Emerald Casino project was turned down, in part, because some shareholders had ties to organized crime.

BOISE, Idaho — A Saudi graduate student was arrested Tuesday in a high-profile case against Sami Omar Al-Hussayen, a 34-year-old University of Idaho student working on his doctorate in computer science. He is charged with creating Web sites to help Islamic militants recruit followers and was indicted earlier this year for conspiring to use a computer network to support terrorists.

Federal prosecutors said he provided "material support" to terrorists, a crime that was expanded under the Patriot Act — the federal terrorism law passed after Sept. 11 — to include "expert advice or assistance to terrorists." Federal immigration law specifies that experts or other people who may inadvertently provide assistance because of their special skills or knowledge can be charged with providing material support.

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Al-Hussayen's lawyer has said his client did not support terrorism and was just seeking ways to help Muslim students. He is being held without bail at the federal courthouse in Boise.

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Student charged with Net terrorism
Pakistani says it shares on probe, no comment on bombs

Associated Press

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistan said it was sharing with other countries information divulged by disgraced top scientist Abdul Qadeer Khan, but refused comment on a report he had visited a secret underground nuclear weapons plant in North Korea five years ago. If true, it would be the latest example of any foreigner having reported inspecting an actual North Korean nuclear weapon, the newspaper said.

The report cited unnamed Asian and American officials who have been briefed by the Pakistani.

Khan, long regarded as a national hero for helping Pakistan develop a deterrent against rival India, could be prosecuted for transferring sensitive technological knowledge to North Korea, Iran and Libya.

He received a pardon from President Pervez Musharraf, a key U.S. ally, but remains under house arrest in Islamabad as investigators continue a probe into his activities abroad.

Joon Wolfishz, who served as a U.S. government monitor at North Korea's main plutonium site in the 1990s, said Khan had been aware of more than a decade that his government was shipping nuclear material for one or two bombs.

"In 2000, there is not a credible source, however, Wolfishz said. "Q. Khan is liar, and he's doing whatever he feels necessary to protect his own interests and protect the government that has pardoned him," said Wolfishz, who saw the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington.

"One way of doing that is not "It doesn't matter what we sold to North Korea because they had weapons already," he said.

Information Minister Sheikh Rashid Ahmed said Tuesday that Pakistan had shared information arising from its investigations of Khan to other countries, but he did not specify whom.

"We have investigated scientists. We are in touch with the world," he told a press conference in Islamabad.

"People have previously said they have offered to sell uranium enrichment to China, Japan, South Korea, as well as the United States, to which we want to watchdog, the International Atomic Energy Agency.

The Times said that Pakistan has begun to provide classified briefings within reach of North Korea's missiles.

The CIA believes that North Korea already has one or two nuclear weapons, although some U.S. intelligence analysts believe it may have more.

And the Bush Administration may seek stronger action against Pyongyang, including sanctions.

A report said Khan told Pakistani officials that he began dealing with North Korea on the sale of equipment for a uranium-based nuclear weapons program as early as the late 1980s but did not begin major transfers to North Korea until the late 1990s agreed with the United States on a plutonium-based program.

Pakistan had previously denounced that agreement.

Pakistan denies any official involvement in such operation, although doubts remain over how much military and government officials remained in the dark for years over Khan's activities.

Pakistani officials said Saturday they have released three men questioned about the nuclear black market led by Khan. Four others — two scientists and two administrators who worked at the same power station — are still being held for questioning.

Armenians protest against leader

Associated Press

YEREVAN, Armenia — Police broke up a protest of some 2,000 people outside Armenia's presidential palace on Tuesday, the day after an alleged assassination attempt on the prime minister. Opposition leaders vowed to keep up their public protests against Prime Minister Karen Kocharian, whose re-election a year ago sparked opposition charges of widespread ballot violations.

"The fight against the unlawful regime will be kept up, said an opposition leader, Vazgen Manoukian.

Organizers said several demonstrators were injured, but their condition was not known.

In Washington, the State Department's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor said it was concerned that the act be resolved by the confrontation between the government and the opposition.

"We call on both sides to enter into a dialogue that will lessen tension and focus the political process on Armenia's future, said Manoukian.

Boucher called for physical assaults, raids on political party offices and attempts to seize and detentions of opposition activists by the police "do not contribute to a climate conducive to political dialogue." Boucher added.

Kocharian had previously said his government would impose constitutional "prior restraint" on a lawyer's access to those arrested on his蹿 Americans Ashot Kocharian.

Last April, Armenia's Constitutional Court confirmed the results of the presidential vote that suggested that a referendum be held within a year to gauge the public's confidence.

El Nino predictable

Associated Press

El Nino, the periodic warming in the Pacific Ocean that can change weather worldwide, is more predictable than ever, and "the ability to predict large El Nino events up to two years in advance," is "that would be a boon for governments, farmers and others seeking to plan for the droughts and heavy rains that are possible," said an Associated Press source.

"This will probably convince others to search around for even better methods," said Bryan Weare, a meteorologist.

The report said El Nino told weather forecasters in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature that some forecasts are false rumors and news reports.

At a hearing earlier this year, the U.S. Government Accountability Office asked the LAPD to investigate the new allegations.

The allegations are being investigated by the Child Protective Section of the department's Juvenile Division. Grady declined to elaborate on such details as the age or sex of the alleged victim.

Los Angeles district attorney's spokesman Sandi Gibbons declined comment.

"This matter is under investigation by the LAPD," she said. "We are not the investigative agency.

Santa Barbara County prosecutors did not immediately return calls for comment on Tuesday evening.

A sources said a defense attorney who has represented clients accused of molestation, said the allegations are under investigation.

"The allegations are outside the statute of limitations if it occurred in 1986 and later. The LAPD is the only agency that can help prosecutors in the Santa Barbara case show a pattern of abuse, though the amount of time since the alleged acts were committed makes it difficult, a source said.

The questions are asked: Why didn't he address this surface earlier? Why didn't he report it to someone else? How accurate is his recollection? How accurate is his ability to relay the events of someone else?" Cron said.
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Israel

Sharon's party delays referendum on withdrawal plan

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — The ruling Likud Party on Wednesday delayed its referendum on a withdrawal from the Gaza Strip by three days to May 2, fearing a basketball championship game would have kept too many voters at home.

The agonizing over logistics reflected the difficulties Prime Minister Ariel Sharon faces in trying to sell the plan to his hawkish party. Backers of the plan were concerned that many of those who did not feel strongly one way or the other may be more likely to vote "yes," while the ideological core of the party would vote "no" in any case.

Sharon has proposed uprooting all 21 Jewish settlements in Gaza, as well as four settlements in the West Bank, as part of his plan to separate Israelis and Palestinians in the absence of his plan to separate Israelis and Palestinians in the West Bank for their future state and demand that all the settlements be dismantled.

Speaking at a West Bank settlement before leaving for Washington, Sharon said Israel would keep the five blocs where almost half the West Bank settlers live, and linked that to his Gaza pullout proposal.

But Sharon's biggest immediate challenge is persuading his own Likud Party to support him. Likud, like Sharon himself, has been a main backer of settlement construction for decades.

Several leading Likud figures oppose the withdrawal plan and have begun campaigning against it. Former Defense Minister Moshe Arens joined the list of opponents Tuesday.

Arens told Army Radio that the plan is a "real mistake," adding, "I shall do everything in my ability" to persuade members to vote no.

Settlers led by Sharon's backer Bentzi Lieberman. West Bank settlers fear a Gaza withdrawal will set a precedent for other settlements and asked supporters to be part of a peace agreement.

In other developments, Israeli troops backed by armored vehicles rallied a five-story apartment building early Tuesday in the West Bank city of Nablus, remaking every apartment in the building in a search for a wanted Hamas militant.

Palestinian witnesses said Israeli special forces marked a shootout with Palestinian militants, and windows were shot out by the gunfire. The raid is said to have killed two wanted militants. No casualties were reported on either side.

In the Gaza Strip, a Palestinian doctor said three men of raping and killing a 16-year-old girl and sentenced them to death in a case that has generated a massive international challenge.

The Israeli team Maccabi Tel Aviv is in the tournament. Party officials said they were concerned many Likud members would decide to watch the game rather than vote. "They (party officials) decided that theFinal Four really does conflict," said Likud spokesman Shmuel Dahman.

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FRANCE
Suspect commits suicide before extradition to U.S.

Man wanted for Philadelphia murder hangs himself with sheets in prison cell

Associated Press

PARIS — A New Jersey man who fled to France after allegedly killing his lover in the United States committed sui­
cide by hanging himself with a bedsheet from a drainage pipe in his French jail cell, his lawyer said Tuesday.

Paul Edwardovich Goldman, 39, a naturalized U.S. citizen, killed himself Sunday afternoon in a prison in the suburbs of
Grenoble, in the French Alps, even though he was under sui­
cide watch, said attorney Arnaud Levy-Soussan.

"He hanged himself with a sheet in his cell," the lawyer
said. "He already tried to com­
ticide watching, said a lawyer said Tuesday.

That is clear," said Levy­
Soussan.

Goldman was caught Jan. 20
in Grenoble, southern France, where his extradition hearing
was taking place. He was expected to be extradited to
Pennsylvania to face first­
degree murder charges in the
fatal stabbing of Paula Zonis, 42, a Philadelphia mortgage
processor found dead in her
office on Dec. 29.

He also faced U.S. federal
charges of unlawful flight to
avoid prosecution.

A postcard found at
Goldman's Mount Laurel, New
Jersey, town house ultimate­
lly led investigators to a resi­
dence in Grenoble, where he was
caught.

His lawyer said Goldman
learned just last week of the
death of his parents.

Edward Goldman, 66, and his
wife, Inessa Lemashova, 63, committed suicide in January
by slitting their wrists. The
couple left a note saying they
were disgraced by their son's
conduct and didn't want to live.

"When he was told, I contact­
et the prison director to say," he
careful. Mr Goldman must
be watched because he's not
doing well and, on top of that,
this type of news is not likely
to make him feel better," his
attorney said in a telephone
interview.

SPAIN
Threats from al-Qaida continue
Tape surfaces pledging further destruction

Associated Press

MADRID — Suspected terror­
ists, linked to the March 11
coincidence train bombings and
who blew themselves up in a
police car earlier this month,
left behind a videotape threat­
ing more attacks against
Spain because of its plans to
send more troops to
Afghanistan, the interior min­
istry said Tuesday.

News of the threats came as
officials said investigators had
arrested three more suspects in
the train bombings, bringing the total in custody to 24.

The badly dam­
gaged videotape was found in the rubble of a Madrid apart­
ment where seven suspects in the bombings blew themselves up on April 3 as police moved in to
arrest them.

In two previously unintelligi­
ble sentences on the tape that
have now been deciphered by
investigators three men claim
responsibility for the train
bombings in the name of al­
Qaida and threaten more blood­
shed by taking Spanish troops from Iraq and
Afghanistan.

"We will bring war
to your homes, and you will
not be able to sleep at night." one of the men says in Arabic,
according to a statement from
the interior ministry.

Incoming Prime Minister Jose
Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, elect­
day after the train bomb­
ings, has pledged to withdraw
Spanish troops from Iraq. But
he intends to double to 250 the
number of Spanish soldiers in
Afghanistan.

"Your new ruler has begun
his mandate with more fighting
against Muslims and sending
more crusade
troops to
Afghanistan," a
man is quoted as saying by the
ministry.

The daily El
Mundo said investigators also
found evi­
dence at the apartment that the alleged ter­
orists planned to attack a
Spanish cemetery outside
Madrid.

Officials at the National Court,
however, said they had no
knowledge of such a plot.

Spain has focused its investi­
gations into the train bombings
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Eighteen people, 14 of them
Moroccan, have been charged
for their alleged roles in the
March 11 attacks in which 10
bombs ripped through four trains in Madrid during the
morning rush hour commute,
killing 191 people and injuring
some 1,800.

The six suspects who have not
yet been charged were expected
to appear before an investigat­
ing magistrate later this week.

Spanish authorities say they
are still seeking another six sus­
pects.

But officials say the core
members of the cell that carried
out the bombings are either in
jail or were among the seven
suspected terrorists who blew
themselves up April 3.

Also Tuesday, U.S. intelligence
agents spent a second day ques­
tioning al-Qaida suspects
arrested earlier this year in
Spain, the interior ministry said.

Congregation of Holy Cross

With joy and thanksgiving we invite you to
celebrate the ordination to the priesthood of:

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Rev. Ralph Haag, C.S.C.
Rev. Daniel Parrish, C.S.C.
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Bishop of Peoria:

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"We heard a summons to give over our lives in a more explicit way"
(Constitutions, 1.3)

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CHINA

Cheney sweeps through Asia on diplomatic tour

Associated Press

BEIJING — Vice President Dick Cheney praised China on Tuesday for recent cooperation on issues such as counterterrorism and North Korea's nuclear ambitions, but tensions remained over Taiwan. Hong Kong and nuclear proliferation.

"We believe we can do good work together," Cheney said at a dinner hosted by Chinese Vice President Zeng Qinghong at the Great Hall of the People. Cheney, on the second leg of a weeklong Asia trip, also was meeting with Jiang Zemin, former president and still the Communist Party chairman, and Jiang's successor as president, Hu Jintao.

Administration officials said Cheney was prepared to prod Hu and other Chinese officials to intensify efforts to resume six-country talks over North Korea's nuclear program. He also was likely to convey the increasing U.S. concerns about Chinese efforts to restrict democracy steps in Hong Kong, officials said.

Iraq was high on the agenda, too, although tensions were eased somewhat with the release on Monday of seven Chinese who had been held hostage by Iraqi militants.

Before arriving here from Tokyo, Bush promised Japanese leaders unspecified U.S. help in trying to return to safety three Japanese citizens still being held in Iraq.

He praised Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi for not bowing to demands from Iraqi militants that he withdraw Japanese forces from Iraq.

"It's important that our government not be intimidated by threat of violence, that we not allow terrorists to change or influence the politics of our governments," Cheney told a foreign-policy forum in Tokyo. At the dinner held in Cheney's honor, Zeng noted that the vice president had last visited China in 1995, when he headed the oil business, Halliburton Co.

"Many changes have taken place in this country since then," Zeng told Cheney. "We place great importance to your visit."

Cheney also was to visit Shanghai before concluding his Asia tour later in the week in South Korea.

Relations between the United States and China have improved as the two nations worked together to resolve the North Korean nuclear impasse.

Still, differences remain over Taiwan, Hong Kong, exchange rate policy and human rights.

If any of those issues are not raised by China, they will be raised by Bush during bilateral talks.

The Bush administration has been increasingly critical of China for trying to restrict moves toward democratic reform by Hong Kong, a former British colony now considered a special administrative region of China.

Taiwan and the rising tide of democratic sentiment there also remains contentious within the Bush administration.

China's official Xinhua News Agency reported Tuesday that Bush had reassured Zeng that U.S. policy on Taiwan remains unchanged despite plans to sell the island advanced weapon systems.

The Chinese news agency said Cheney told Zeng that the United States does not support the island's moving toward independence and opposes any unilateral action by either Beijing or Taipei to change the status quo across the Taiwan Strait — a restatement of basic U.S. policy on Taiwan and China.

The Bush administration has praised China for taking the lead in overseeing six-nation talks on North Korea's nuclear program, but officials have recently expressed hope that China would do more to prod the stalled talks.

Cheney may present China's interest with intelligence information from a Pakistani scientist, Abdul Qadeer Khan, that he was taken to a secret underground nuclear plant in North Korea and shown three nuclear devices, The New York Times reported in its Tuesday editions.

If Khan, known as the father of the Pakistani nuclear bomb, is accurate in his account, it would be the first time a foreigner has reported inspecting actual North Korean nuclear weapons sites, The Times reported.

All three nations on Cheney's itinerary have had civilians taken as hostages in Iraq, but those from South Korea and China have been released. The fate of three Japanese civilians remains uncertain as Cheney arrived here from Japan.

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Fall 2004 Course on the Irish Gothic

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Joseph McMinn


A popular teacher, McMinn will offer a course in Fall 2004 on Gothic fiction in Britain and Ireland from the mid-eighteenth to late nineteenth century. The emphasis will be on the distinctive features and forms of the Gothic novel — "the tale of terror" — its early association with female authors and readers, and its later role in the emergence of Romanticism. Authors and texts to be studied include Austen's Northanger Abbey (1818), Shelley's Frankenstein (1818), Maturin's Melmoth the Wanderer (1820), Le Fanu's The House by the Churchyard (1863), and Stoker's Dracula (1897). While the course is essentially about a very distinctive and popular form of the novel, it will have an interdisciplinary dimension, touching upon related and later versions of Gothic in art, architecture and cinema.

KEOUGH INSTITUTE FOR IRISH STUDIES
Fed up with both the Republicans and Democrats? Perhaps as the 2004 election is another case of choosing between the lesser of two evils? Well, help is on the way. Joe Licandro, am officially declaring my candidacy for the 2004 presidential election as the first-ever nominee for the Common Sense Party, a.k.a. Get Your Head Out of Your Butt Party. Because of space restrictions, there is not enough room for me to provide detailed specifics, so, for brevity’s sake, I will outline the first few key political issues certain to weigh heavily on the minds of voters this fall. This is the first article of a two-part series. Today’s will outline the CSP’s foreign policy goals in the Middle East, while the next will outline my domestic agenda and social policy.

First and foremost, the United States should take the fight to terrorists everywhere around the world. This means working more closely with Europe to bring down Islamic terrorist cells operating there. This means staying in Afghanistan until Al Qaeda is destroyed. This also means bombing terrorist camps in countries like Saudi Arabia and Syria that are not on our side, but to stop them but active encouraging them. And if we have to do it alone, so be it. When it comes to this nation’s security, we should not have to consult the United Nations or ask for an excuse for permission before taking preemptive action to protect ourselves. To describe our foreign policy platform in one statement, the CSP advocates proactive foreign policy as opposed to reactive.

Moving along. Believe it or not, the United States is less dependent upon Middle Eastern oil than ever before, a fact which is a step in the right direction. But let’s take the ultimate stop. Let’s not buy a single drop of oil from the Middle East. OPEC has far too much influence over its members, which is directly manipulating output levels to disadvantage the American consumer. The Middle East has been one of the main reasons for constant trouble for the United States. No matter what we do to try and improve our image there, it will remain this way as long as dictatoral regimes remain in power, television stations like Al Jazeera and Al Arabiya rule the airwaves and radical Islamic clerics maintain a death grip on the populations of these countries. By buying oil from places like Saudi Arabia, we in effect are our own worst enemy, keeping in power the “human rights-abusing, traitor-dog-loving” royal family, who sits back living in incredible luxury while the rest of their population suffers in abject poverty. To stay in power and deflect blame, the royal family allows their country’s religious leaders to promote a vicious hatred of the United States and the very freedoms we espouse. It’s little wonder that 15 of the 19 9/11 hijackers were Saudi Arabian citizens.

To accomplish this goal, we need to pursue two courses of action. First, we need to develop environmentally friendly alternative forms of energy so that gas-powered cars become extinct, like dinosaurs. In the meantime, we can stop buying gas-guzzling SUVs and start buying more hybrids. Secondly, until we move away from gas-powered cars, we should start buying oil from other places in the world, like South America and Africa, where deposits of the “black gold” are just now being discovered. Will my plan hurt the U.S. economy in the short run? Possibly, but we’ll survive. Consider this, though. Not buying oil from the Middle East will hurt them a lot more than it will hurt us. Here’s why: Saudi Arabia and the rest rely on single export economies.

As for Iraq, it’s easy to play Monday Morning Quarterback, criticizing the current administration for missteps, mistakes and overestimating the time and toll of post-war development and recovery, but it’s also a monumental waste of time to just like the 9-11 Commission hearing. What’s done is done. Undoubtedly, the United States will continue to experience pockets of hostility while we remain there. But we cannot cut and run. We must remain firm, working as quickly as possible to transfer power over to the Iraqis. Then if they fail to make democracy work, it’s their fault, not ours. Provided security is restored following the July 30 scheduled date of power transference, the CSP will set a target date of pulling troops out of Iraq by January 2008. Each year, the number of troops will decrease. 2008 will not mark a full-scale withdrawal, as the United States should maintain a military base in Iraq similar to ones currently held in Germany, Japan and other parts around the world. This will serve as a fresh reminder to anti-American neighbors not to interfere with Iraqi affairs, or risk facing devastating consequences.

Israel has always been a headache for the U.S. foreign policy makers. But I’d rather have a headache than the permanent migrant that would result if we were to completely abandon the only democracy in the Middle East. The United States should pressure Israel to abandon its new settlements on the West Bank, as it has pledged to. The United States will support a Palestinian state, but only if it is democratic in nature and does not support violence against Israel. But the United States, unlike the Europeans, will not publically voice concern that building a wall sealing its borders off from Palestinian suicide bombers. Along these same lines, the United States will not publicly or legally challenge Israel’s carrying out of one of its most significant goals against known terrorist leaders—human and soulish like the recent one against Sheikh Ahmed Yassin. Surrounded by Arab neighbors who would love nothing more than to wipe Jews off the face of the earth, Israel is left with no choice but to defend itself aggressively and decisively. Their very livelihood is at stake.

While the United States will remain committed to Israel’s security, the United States will not continue to provide it with billions upon billions of dollars of economic aid. Israel is the only first-world nation in the Middle East, yet it receives more military aid than any other country in the world. Even in rough economic times, it is incapable of supporting itself. On this note, the United States will completely stop giving money to Egypt — the largest benefactor of American aid. Egypt receives roughly a billion in aid per year from the United States, but only because it has not undertaken any military action against Israel since the Camp David Accords in 1980. On principle alone, we should not have to pay a country not to attack another.

But for the following reason above any other, we should not provide aid to a country led by "Dictator-Elector" Hosni Mubarak, who refuses to stop the Egyptian press from printing hate-filled lies about the United States in their national newspapers equivalent to The New York Times.

The Middle East is only one area of the foreign policy, but it’s the most prescient. Unfortunately, I don’t have the space to touch on other regions of the world. But in case you have questions, remember — it’s all about practicing a little common sense.

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Baseball is a microcosm of American life

As the 2004 Major League Baseball season rolls into full swing, skeptics everywhere are watching in horror as a batch of bigger, stronger and veiner players continue to overpower a playing field once dominated by hard-working, generically-proportioned individuals. They look on in disdain as the legends of "The Arrogant Hummingbird," "Wee Willie," "The Kid," "Little Loopy" and "Little Joe" are being tarnished by the escapades of "Big Mac," "The Big Unit," "The Big Hurt" and "Barry Bonds."

These distrustful cynics simply refuse to accept the fact that impossible things are happening. They point to the 450,000 premature deaths and cost over $500 billion (and Three Mile Island) as evidence that these accidents are not isolated incidents. Ultimately, they result in approximately 1% of the market. Furthermore, the largest expenses stemming from nuclear power will come in the future: it is estimated that the decommissioning of a plant actually costs more than 1000% of a plant's total cost.

Additionally, as the accidents at Chernobyl to catastrophe that will ultimately result in approximately 450,000 premature deaths and cost over $500 billion (and Three Mile Island) demonstrate, nuclear power is not reliable. This is even more disturbing when we consider that the government has limited the liability of nuclear industries to approximately one percent of such a catastrophic disaster. Who would be left to pay the bill?

Finally, it is not even certain that nuclear power is economically viable. When all of the taxpayer subsidies are taken into account, nuclear power is actually the most expensive type of power available on the market. Furthermore, the largest expenses stemming from nuclear power will come in the future: it is estimated that the decommissioning of a plant actually costs more than 1000% of a plant's total cost.

Keeping ceremony indoors will insult military officers

Pass in Review is not only a ceremony that allows our ROTC cadets to honor our University's president, Father Edward Malloy, but also a commemoration of the sacrifice and commitment that our soldiers have to defending and fighting for our country. For the past few years, the Pass in Review has been held at an indoor location, Loftus. However, four years ago, it was held outside on Ralph Munro Field at South Quad, and many ROTC students appear every other Wednesday. Can't you see why?

In every facet of life, people today employ whatever technological means necessary in order to make their jobs easier, more productive and more indicative of the modern era. Spend five days penning a research paper by scratching charcoal cuneiform letters onto a piece of homemade papyrus. And not only will you have wasted five days, but your professor will most likely reward your allegiance to antiquity with a terrible grade. Why, then, should baseball players not be permitted to conform to modern practices and use any means necessary to perform at the highest possible level?

Still, all moral and ethical debates aside, the unabashed use of technology isn't the only definition of modern America that can apply to the current baseball situation. We, as a people, share an eternal love affair with all that is bigger and better and larger than life. Why get a wimpy small fry when you can Superize it? Why purchase a economy-sized sedan when you can buy a Ford Expedition or a Hummer H2? Why settle for a puny dining hall burger when you can stuff your face with a pound-and-half Golden Dome at CJ's?

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The much-anticipated sequel to "The Whole Nine Yards" opened this past Friday, and as often unfortunately happens with sequels, the anticipation was better than the actual film. Bruce Willis and Matthew Perry are back again to star in their old roles, but even they cannot save "The Whole Ten Yards" from being a big disappointment.

Willis plays hitman Jimmy "The Tulip" Tudeski. Jimmy and his wife, Jill (Amanda Peet), are living in peace in Mexico after Nicholas "Oz" Oseransky (Matthew Perry) faked dental records to make it look like Jimmy was dead in "Nine Yards." Oz is now married to Jimmy's ex-wife, Cynthia (Natalia Henstridge).

Lazo Gogolak (Kevin Pollak) — the Hungarian mobster that Jimmy helped put away in the first movie — is now out of prison and looking to get revenge on Jimmy who killed Lazo's son Yanni. To find Jimmy, Lazo kidnap's Cynthia. Oz is forced to go to Jimmy for help, and Jimmy and Oz set out to get Cynthia back.

Making the search more interesting are the fights between Jill and Jimmy, Jimmy's new love for domestic work and the two couples issues with pregnancy. Also, the identity of Oz's new dental hygienist makes for a good surprise, as does the revelation of Lazo's true identity.

Eventually, Oz learns that the whole kidnapping had been part of a plan that his wife and Jimmy had devised. In the end, the main characters predictably triumph and get everything they wanted.

It would be great if it could at least be said that there is much tension and suspense leading up to the unsurprising, fairytail ending. But this is not the case.

The horrible, barely-existing plot means that the movie is forced to rely heavily on the acting and chemistry of the leads. Both Perry and Willis have some Jim Carrey-like scenes of over-acting that are simply not amusing. Neither of these good actors turns in an especially memorable performance.

The accents of the mob, especially Lazo, are so awful that they are funny, but even they get tiresome by the end. Frank Collison is an unexpected success as Oz's son Strabo Gogolak.

There is certainly enough profanity, violence and sexual innocence, and situations in this film to warrant its PG-13 rating, but "Ten Yards" doesn't get the R rating of its predecessor.

If "The Whole Ten Yards" has any redeeming qualities, it is that it does not take itself seriously at all. It has so many attempts at humor that it cannot help but be successful at some of them — resulting in audience members getting at least a few laughs.

It could be that "Ten Yards" would not seem like such a bad movie if such high expectations had not been set for it or had it not come after the hilarious "Nine Yards." Not taking "Ten Yards" in comparison to another movie, it is possible that one could find this film entertaining. However, for anyone who has seen "Nine Yards," "Ten Yards" is sure to fail to measure up.

So if wanting to see a good movie starring Bruce Willis and Matthew Perry, rent "The Whole Nine Yards" and wait until video to see the sequel if it must be seen at all.

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**Movie Review**

"The Whole Ten Yards"

Director: Howard Deutch
Writer: Mitchell Kapner and George Gallo
Starring: Bruce Willis, Matthew Perry, Amanda Peet and Kevin Pollak

By JACQUELINE PIMENTEL-GANNON
Scene Movie Critic

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**Movie Review**

Warm characters charm in new comedy

"Jersey Girl" is an extremely realistic PG-13 rated drama/romantic comedy that is not creatively written, but still contains a predictable romance. This Kevin Smith movie has so many emotionally moving scenes that it requires a box of tissues. If you are in the mood for a feel-good film with excellent acting, you must see "Jersey Girl." Not only will you cry with the characters, but you'll even get the pleasure of laughing with them.

The actors and story combine to make for one of the most engaging films of the year.

Big-shot publicist Ollie Trinke (Ben Affleck) suffers from depression after his wife Gertrude (Jennifer Lopez) dies giving birth to their daughter Gertie (Raquel Castro). Trinke's attempts to hide his emotions from his employers ultimately lead him to publicly insult several people in his industry and bash Will Smith. These actions force Trinke to leave New York City's business world and return to his father (George Carlin) and his home in New Jersey. Suddenly, Trinke struggles with dealing with his wife's death, learning how to be a parent, accepting his new less glamorous career and adjusting to living with his father (George Carlin) all at once. Trinke's father and a new girlfriend (Liv Tyler) help Trinke get through some of these changes in his life.

However, the film focuses mainly on the development of Trinke's relationship with his daughter. This film's advertisements are its greatest weakness, in that they are very misleading. While previews present Maya (Liv Tyler) as the embodiment of the film's title, Gertrude is actually the "Jersey girl." Although Maya also lives in New Jersey, Gertrude's relationship with Trinke is much more central to the film's plot. Gertrude also expresses more love for New Jersey than any other character in this film.

The previews also fail to address Gertrude's death and provide no hints of the serious issues dealt with by the characters in this film that make it so rich. The extent of character development that occurs in less than two hours is quite impressive. Maya is the least developed, but this seems to be done on purpose.

Trinke's distress is very convincing. Affleck's ability to convey a constant switching from seeming content to being on the verge of a mental breakdown allow viewers to understand the complexity of Trinke's emotions. Affleck makes Trinke's confusion seem justifiable. He is able to arouse more emotion than any other actor in this film, with the moments in which he tearfully remembers his dead wife being the most moving.

Gertrude's "uncles" are the most consistently funny characters. Some humorous dialogue and Gertrude's school musical performance with her family enhances this film's comedic value.

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**Scene Movie Critic**

"Jersey Girl"

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Writer: Kevin Smith
Starring: Ben Affleck, Liv Tyler, Raquel Castro, George Carlin and Jennifer Lopez

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"Jersey Girl"

Director: Kevin Smith
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Els comes to terms with loss in Masters

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — One bur­­den was lifted when Phil Mickelson won the Masters. Another got even weightier when Ernie Els didn't.

Mickelson is no longer the best player to have never won a major. He got rid of that milestone with one of the greatest back nines at Augusta National, and an 18­­-foot putt will replay in his mind as long as he lives.

Els should have no regrets. He played the final 12 holes in 6 under par on the strength of two eagles, two birdies and four pars that showed the moxie of a three-time major champion.

"I'm going to look myself in the mirror tonight and say, 'Well, I'm one of those things,'" Els said. "I've had some good wins and I've had some tough losses. And this is one of the tough losses." 

Having one arm in the green jacket is the toughest of all.

...and into the fairway. Els watched his ball sail over the green after chip­­ping out of a sand trap during prac­­tice for the 2004 Masters golf tournament.

Els closed with a 67 and was feeling that far in advance. He really thought that his life or career would change.

He said Mondays and Tuesdays were his family days. He won't play again until New Orleans at the end of the month, which will give him time to take his three kids to the zoo, Sea World and Legoland.

Mickelson said it was special sharing the Masters victory with his family.

"To have my children there was awesome, to walk off the 18th green there and to see my wife experiencing the whole thing with me and feeling the same emotion that I felt," Mickelson said.

"I'm very lucky because of that, to have such a wonderful spouse, to have three wonderful healthy kids. I'm just very lucky, especially given what we went through last year."

Amy Mickelson nearly died during the birth of their third child, son Evan.

"With his family OK, Mickelson can concentrate on golf... and, now, on trying to win another major." 

"To feel the second will not be as difficult as the first," said Mickelson, who smiled all the way through his back nine Sunday, when he shut 31 with birdies on five of the last seven holes.

"Because every time I would get in contention, it was almost as though it was an opportunity not to succeed, but an opportunity to fail. I never looked at it like that, but at times, when things began to slide, it was harder for me to turn it around." 

Mickelson also divulged what President Bush told him in a phone call shortly after his jump for joy on the 18th green.

"It was awesome that he called," Mickelson said. "And he roughed me up. The President of the United States roughed me up. He said, 'Now I understand why last year you tried to throw a baseball instead of a basketball.' I said, 'What do you mean?' and he said, 'I saw you try to jump.'"

Last summer, Mickelson threw batting practice to 18 Toledo Mud Hens players, most of them pitchers, hoping to earn a chance to pitch in a real game for Detroit's Triple-A affiliate. But the Tigers didn't offer him a minor league contract.
Miller leads Athletics to 10-9 nail-biting win

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — Damian Miller had three hits, including a three-run homer, and Oakland's big bats overcame a poor start by Barry Zito in a 10-9 win over the Texas Rangers on Tuesday night.

While Zito (1-1) never trailed in his five innings, he squandered a 6-0 lead and the Athletics led by only a run before Miller's first homer made it 10-6 in the fourth.

Miller, hitting just .250 coming into the game, was 3-for-4 with a walk and a double. Eric Byrnes had three hits in his first start of the season and Jermaine Dye had a homer and an RBI double.

The A's had 16 hits, seven of them for extra bases, in their first road game. Every starter had a hit, and five players had more than one.

And all of that offense still almost wasn't enough for the A's and Zito, the 2002 AL Cy Young winner who is 12-1 in 19 career starts against Texas. The loss was in a 2-1 game last week.

The Rangers, the top hitting team in the majors, got within 10-9 with a three-run seventh. Brad Fullmer led off with his first hit, Jermaine Dye walked and Mark McGwire had his second RBI single.

Texas had 16 hits off six Oakland pitchers. Arthur Rhodes pitched the ninth for his first save.

Zito threw 107 pitches over five innings, and allowed six runs on 11 hits. Two of the runs were unearned, after his throwing error in Texas' three-run second.

Still, he escaped with his fifth win since the start of the 2001 season. The only pitcher in the majors with more in that stretch is teammate Mark Mulder with 56.

Oakland got off to a fast start against Mickey Callaway (0-1), who allowed 11 of the 13 batters he faced to reach base.

Six straight reached after a double play wiped out leadoff hitter Byrnes in a three-run first. Callaway walked four batters around Dye's RBI double and a two-run single by Bobby Crosby, the new everyday shortstop who was hitting just .158.

Marlins 5, Expos 0

Miguel Cabrera swears he's not swinging for the fences.

With four homers in his first nine at-bats, and five overall this season, it's hard to believe him.

The 20-year-old slugger homered twice, and Brad Penny allowed only two hits in the Florida Marlins' 5-0 victory over the Montreal Expos on Tuesday night.

"I'm taking good swings at the ball. But it's a long season, come talk to me after 70 or 80 games," Cabrera said.

The second-year player does not want to get caught up in the talk of his hot streak, reminding everyone the Marlins have played only seven games — winning six, for the best record in the league.

"I'm a rookie this year, too," he said.

Cabrera hit solo homers in the first and sixth innings, and had an RBI single in the third. He finished 3-for-4 with three RBIs and a walk.

"He's going to be a superstar," Penny said. "I'm going to be watching TV one day and say, I played with that guy".

Manager Jack McKeon agreed with his pitcher and said Cabrera is mature beyond his years.

"He's one of those unique guys who come by once in a while," McKeon said.

Penny (1-1) retired the first 10 batters and did not allow a runner to score before Jose Vidro in the fourth. Cabrera followed with a bloop single to left, the Expos first hit.

After Penny retired the next six batters, Bergeron singled left to the sixth. Jose Vidro struck out and Bergeron was caught stealing to end the inning.

Penny pitched eight innings, striking out 10 and walking one. Tommy Phelps pitched the ninth.

White Sox 12, Royals 5

Basically, Ozzie Guillen wants his players to be like him. Have fun every time you pull on the uniform and play every game like it might be your last.

The White Sox did just that Tuesday in Guillen's Chicago homecoming as manager when they beat the Kansas City Royals 12-5.

"I think with Ozzie from day one, it's been great. It's been a party," said Paul Konerko, who hit a go-ahead, three-run homer.

"It's been fun and we've also been getting after it, too. He played for so long and has everybody's respect", Guillen got a rousing ovation when he hit a grand slam and made it 10-6 in the fourth.

Then he was bolstered by his team's performance.

"Enjoy every day and moment because you never know when it will end," Guillen said. "In the past, I don't think this team had fun playing the game. I watched a couple games and it was all business.

I want my team to play good, be aggressive and have fun. How many people want to play this game getting paid the way I'm getting paid?"

Konerko, who got off to a dismal start a year ago in a disappointing season, connected in the fifth off Darrell May (0-2) following walks to Frank Thomas and Carlos Lee to make it 7-4.

Blue Jays 7, Tigers 5

Josh Phelps broke a ninth-inning tie with an RBI single to give the Toronto Blue Jays a 7-5 comeback victory over the Detroit Tigers on Tuesday night.

Frank Catalanotto started the ninth with an infield single when pitcher Danny Patterson and third baseman Omar Infante collided going after a slow roller. After Patterson retired Vernon Wells, Steve Colyer relieved and walked Carlos Delgado.

Patterson followed with a line single to left, scoring Catalanotto. Craig Monroe's throw home hit Catalanotto and went into the dugout, allowing a second run to score.

Terry Adams (1-0) picked up the win in relief for Toronto, while Justin Speier pitched the ninth for his first save. Patterson (0-1) took the loss.

Toronto trailed 5-4 after seven, but tied the game in the eighth with the help of some faulty defense by Detroit.

Delgado and Phelps started the inning with singles and Eric Hinske reached to load the bases when second baseman Fernando Vina boosted a groundball. It was Vina's second error in as many innings.

Orlando Hudson grounded into a force at the plate, and Patterson came in to replace Jamie Walker. Pinch-hitter Greg Myers struck out, but Kevin Cash hit an infield single that scored Delgado to make it 5-5.

Cash was 4-for-4 with three doubles and two RBIs.
NBA

Pistons’ Wallace hits milestone in Detroit loss

Associated Press

TORONTO — Donyell Marshall had 27 points and 16 rebounds as the Toronto Raptors ended Detroit’s eight-game winning streak with a 87-78 victory Tuesday night.

Detroit’s Ben Wallace became the first player in league history to have four consecutive seasons of at least 1,000 rebounds, 100 steals and 100 blocks. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Hakeem Olajuwon and Sam Lacey all did it three times.

Wallace needed one rebound in Detroit’s season finale to do it. He finished with seven rebounds and 15 points.

At 54-24, Detroit finished third in the Eastern Conference. The Pistons won’t know who they will face in the playoffs until Wednesday night.

Vince Carter added 19 points for the Grizzlies, who didn’t put up much of a fight against the Dallas Mavericks with the Western Conference’s fifth seed on the line.

Booie Marquis Daniels continued his recent roll with 30 points, eight rebounds and seven assists, helping the Mavericks secure the No. 5 spot with a victory over the Grizzlies on Tuesday night.

The Mavericks finished 36-5 at home, tops in the league and the best in the franchise’s 24-year history. However, by going 15-25 on the road, Dallas can’t host a playoff series — a first for the league’s best team since Utah in 1990-91.

Memphis, which lost its third straight and fifth in six games, trailed by 13 after one quarter and was down at least nine until the final minute.

The Grizzlies will have the sixth seed.

Either team could wind up playing Minnesota, the Lakers, San Antonio or Sacramento in the first round.

It will be settled Wednesday night with the regular-season finale. The Grizzlies will be a player in how things work out because they play the Timberwolves at home. The Mavs close at Houston, which already has locked up the seventh spot.

Clippers 110, Grizzlies 103

Golden State Warrior Mike Dunleavy is fouled by Los Angeles Laker Kobe Bryant during the Lakers’ 109-104 win Tuesday night.

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Bruins beat Canadiens in double overtime

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MONTREAL — Glen Murray took advantage of Alex Kovalev’s mistake to score on a breakaway 9:27 into the second overtime Tuesday night, giving the Boston Bruins a 4-3 win over the Montreal Canadiens.

Boston, which took a 3-2 series lead, tied it when Mike Knuble scored with 30.7 seconds remaining in regulation.

Murray beat goalie Jose Theodore with a wrist shot after Theodore’s left pad from the goal line kept the puck inside the left post before it quickly rebounded out of the net. The Bruins’ bench erupted in cheers and the sellout Bell Centre crowd of 21,273 moaned its disappointment when referee McC Gregor pointed to center ice to signal the goal. The clock was reset to 30.7 seconds remaining.

Theodore’s left pad from the goal line kept the puck just across the goal line seconds remaining and video review officials reviewed the play. The replay showed Knuble put a backhander past Murray after appearing to score the goal line dive to over time Friday to give the Canadiens a first-round series.

MONTREAL’S Kovalev collided with Theodore with a wrist shot after Murray’s first goal, a left pad from the goal line kept the puck just across the goal line seconds remaining and video review officials reviewed the play. The replay showed Theodore’s elbow to his face and knee to his body.

Bruins rookie Raycroft made 42 saves. Theodore stopped 40 shots.

Michael Nylander and Jiri Sekyra also scored for Boston, which won its second overtime game of the series. Bruins rookie Patrice Bergeron scored 1:56 into overtime Friday to give Boston a 2-1 home win, its second straight in open the first-round series.

Boston will host Game 6 tonight, the series tied 2-2.

The Flames, winning a home game after Game 3, scored the short-handed goal just one minute into the second period. They tied the game just under the puck out of the Flames’ zone and then took a pass from Chris Clark before burying the puck behind Vancouver goalie Johal Holbick.

Hodfield, who faced 31 shots, played his final post-season game this season after being held to a plus 2 in Game 6 against San Jose.

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Barry Bonds hits 661st homerun passing Mays

Bonds, 38, homered in the seventh inning Tuesday night against the Milwaukee Brewers to pass San Francisco Giants great Willie Mays (660) for third place on the all-time home run list.

"I felt a sense of accomplishment in baseball. It's a relief now to be able to stand next to my godfather and finally feel like I've accomplished something in the game of baseball," said Bonds. "It was a big way of getting his approval that I've finally done something." 

Bonds connected in the fifth inning on a 3-1 pitch from Matt Kinney (0-1) for his second homer of the season. The estimated 442-foot blast put the Giants ahead 5-4. It was the 28th time Bonds has homered into the water. "It was just like a weight was lifted off my shoulders," Bonds said.

Associated Press

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N L W C A poll

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Spartans sweep weekend regatta

No. 7 Notre Dame repeatedly finish second to No. 7 Michigan State

By CHRISTINE ARMSTRONG  Sports Writer

Though No. 10 Michigan State dominated at this weekend's Indiana Classic in Indianapolis by winning all the varsity races, No. 7 Notre Dame's boats followed close behind, taking second place over and over.

The Irish varsity A boat of Maureen Gibbons, Natalie Ladine, Alice Bartek, Meghan Rayle, Rachel Polinski, Melissa Felker, Katie Hennessy and Danielle Prostaszewich and Jarqueline Haven crossed the finish line in 6:34.55, six seconds behind the Spartans. Indiana and Purdue also participated in the regatta and followed with times of 6:46.40 and 6:52.61, respectively.

Overall, the crew has been "on fire" this season and attributes strong performances to dedication, aggressiveness and good communication between the coxswain and the rowers. The Irish are working to cut times in practice as they will continue to race against the nation's best.

"We need to work on racing when we are behind and finishing the end of the stroke together to send the boat," Polinski said. "There are many fast teams in our region, and it will be cutthroat until the end of the racing season. Instead of just trying to hold off boats during races, we are going out and attacking our competitors."

Notre Dame's second varsity boat of Kacy McCallfire, Kati Sedun, Kathleen Welsh, Elizabeth Specht, Jenna Redgate, Kathleen Welsh, Elizabeth Specht, Jenna Redgate, Jessica Gazik Andrea Doud, Ashley St. Pierre and Megan Sanders also finished second behind the Spartan boat. The Irish finished in 6:47.38, seven seconds behind Michigan State.

The first of two Boilermaker crews earned a third-place finish in 6:53.61, followed by the other Purdue boat in 7:03.91 and Indiana in 7:05.74.

"We are so close to being great, but we need to work really hard until regions in order to reach our goals," Maureen Gibbons said.

Kathryn Long, Katie O'Hara, Danielle Stealy, Pamela Jefers and Meghann Mizzi helped the first Irish varsity four earn yet another second-place finish behind Michigan State. The Irish crossed the line in 7:19.17, less than five seconds short of the Spartan's winning time. Indiana took third in 7:47.96.

Two Irish boats competed in the second varsity four race. The first crew of Shannon Lettieri, Sarah Keffer, Tricia David, Courtney Quinn and Ann Mulligan finished in (7:59.33) behind the Spartans first-place time of 7:50.2. Notre Dame's second boat, rowed by Caitlin Rackish, Meredith Thornburgh, Alyssa Close, Colleen Larson and Kristin Henkel finished in 8:00.91.

The Irish will continue to face fierce competition and work towards an NCAA bid when they race in the Big East Rowing Challenge on April 24.

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REC SPORTS

Irish finish 2-4 in championship

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's men's volleyball club posted a 2-4 record at the national championships in Charlotte, N.C. last weekend.

But the record isn't indicative of the high level of play, as the Irish dropped their two opening matches in overtime to the fourth- and eighth-ranked teams in the country.

In the first round, the Irish fell to No. 4 Illinois, 15-25, 25-21, 16-14. In the second round, the Irish dropped a tight 25-19, 30- 32, 17-15 contest to No. 8 UNLV. Notre Dame lost to Central Florida, 25-21, 25-17 before rebounding with a pair of solid wins against USC (29-31, 28-26, 16-14) and San Jose State (25-21, 32-30) before dropping the final match to Utah (25-19, 25-19).

Based on the strong showing at Nationals and the club's returning players, next season appears to be promising for the Irish.

Sailing

Eight members of the Notre Dame sailing club traveled to the prestigious St. Francis Yacht Club in San Francisco to compete in the St. Francis Intercollegiate against 14 teams and close to 200 sailors. Most of the teams were varsity programs and many were highly ranked.

The regatta, hosted by Stanford and SFYC, is one of the premier college sailing events in the country. The regatta was sailed in San Francisco Bay between the Golden Gate Bridge and Alcatraz in the heart of the Marina District.

Notre Dame sailed two teams, one team in the varsity division and one in the junior varsity division. Mike Stevens and Meghan Finerty sailed in the A division for the varsity team, while Katie Roney and Katie Thompson sailed in the varsity B division.

For the JV team, Andrew Lappin and Seth O'Donnell sailed in the A division, while Jill Garcia and Lize Ketterhagen sailed in the B division. Saturday's conditions were challenging with 52-degree water, heavy current, 25-mph wind gusts and dense fog.

Stevens/Finerty finished the day in 18th in the A division, with Roney/Thompson in 21st in the B division. The sailors faced more forgiving conditions on Sunday with winds that gust as high as 18 mph.

The Irish finished with an overall varsity place of 20th out of 24, with the JV finishing a respectable 12th out of 21.
SMC GOLF

Belles at Hope Invitational

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

The Belles took a step in the right direction at Monday's Hope College Invitational. The Belles finished 12th and made their dream of an NCAA championship birth that much closer. The Belles shot a collective score of 343, besting host Hope's three stroke total. "From top to bottom, we managed quite well, especially considering the bad weather and the course. I think this is one of the most difficult golf courses we've played because there were lots of hazards," coach Mark Hamilton said. Oliviaet followed Hope with 364 strokes, Manchester was at 366 and Albion finished last with 372.

Junior Julia Adams was the medalist, firing the tournament's best score at 82. For the season, Adams has averaged 86 shots each round. Dunham said Adam's performance on Monday was truly representative of her golfing skills. "She went into yesterday's tournament focused and really ready to perform up to her ability," Dunham said.

Senior captain Liz Hanslon trailed Adams closely with 85 strokes for fifth. Hamilton praised Hanslon, calling her the difference-maker for the team. "She really came up big for us, shooting 85 at the No. 4 slot," Hamilton said. "Her performance was pretty crucial to our win. Considering the circumstances, she had to play in, her performance was quite commendable." Dunham followed, shooting 87 for eighth, and junior Stephanie Simmer finished with 89 for 12th. Although only the top four golfers were officially scored, freshman Helen Cassey and sophomore Nicole Bellino further contributed to the team's success Monday with 92 and 94 shots respectively. Cassey finished 14th.

The team endured chilly and blustery conditions, which were cause for higher scores. Dunham attributed the team's ability to cope with the challenging conditions to their work ethic during practices. More recently, the Belles have focused on their short game during much of practice. "Everyone has really been putting in the time during practice this season, especially in preparation for [the Hope College Invitational]. It definitely made a difference in our games," Dunham said.

The Belles travel to Tri-State University on Friday, April 24 to compete in their next meet. "We've always liked playing the course there," Dunham said. "Hopefully we'll be able to win and get an NCAA bid. Getting to the NCAA tournament looks like a realistic goal as we play well at Tri-State." Contact Ann Loughey at sloughey@nd.edu.

MEN'S LACROSSE

Strong defense gives Irish back to back wins

By DAN TAPETILLO
Sports Writer

The Irish rose above the freezing weather and produced their best back-to-back defensive performance in school history last weekend.

On April 4, Notre Dame pounced on Dartmouth 10-3 and then collected its second consecutive 12-2 against Air Force. "It was an important thing for us to only allow five goals because defensively we had been struggling," Pat Walsh said. "It was our focus that got us to produce those results; it was a big step for the team." To begin the match, Steve Clagett scored the first goal of the game. The lead, however, did not last long as Notre Dame's offensive burst was stopped 12 of 13 shots (.923) by Crosland. On April 5, the Irish continued their rise, putting 14 goals on the board against Denver in a 14-12 win.

If there was a question mark for the Irish against Dartmouth, it was whether the defense could hold. "The team morale. The late charge began with a goal scored by Berg in the fourth quarter, the Irish rallied to defeat Denver 14-12. This win gave Notre Dame its second consecutive GWLL victory. It also put the team at 2-1 for the season and second in the conference. With such a strong start, the Irish already have their sights set on the conference title and hope to clinch an automatic birth to the NCAA Championships. The late charge began with a goal scored by Berg. Offensively, the Irish were relentless as they scored three additional goals during the quarter to give them a 10-9 lead heading into the fourth period. After Denver tied the game with 10:46 remaining in the fourth quarter, the Irish netted three goals which proved to lock the 14-12 win. Walsh recorded four goals and three assists. This performance was just one off of his top collegiate performances.

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Men's Tennis

Irish crush No. 33 Seminoles

By KATE GALES
Sports Writer

"It was a tough time going into the last five matches, constant revision by coach Bobby Bayliss," said No. 11 Salas. "He has won six of his last seven matches.

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The Irish went the first five singles matches to run away with the win. A number of singles players have won most or all of their recent matchups, giving the Irish confidence in the momentum at the six spots.

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The Irish return to the courts April 29 in Coral Gables, Fla., for the Big East Tournament.

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Connelly and Neighbours followed, posting a 8-2 triumph over Asles de Guzman and Emily Mowery.

No. 3 doubles has been an aspect of the lineup that continues to change as the season progresses. Louderback has mixed up the doubles teams at No. 3 in hopes of finding the perfect match as the NCAA championships approach.

"[Sarah Jane Connolly and Neighbours] meshed well together. We'll have to wait and see what we do at No. 3," Louderback said. "We're looking for a doubles team that is comfortable with each other and works as a team. We have a lot of options."

At No. 1 doubles, No. 57 Freshmen Catrina and Christian Thompson fell to No. 24 Megan Muth and Amy Wei 8-2.

In singles, Christian Thompson was first to walk off the courts, upsetting No. 109 Shebakov 6-4, 6-0 at No. 1. Young got the best of sophomore Kiki Slasity at No. 5 6-2, 6-1, recording William and Mary's first point of the meet. Lauren Connelly contributed a win at No. 4 to extend the Irish lead.

However, William and Mary retaliated, registering victories at Nos. 1, 3 and 6. No. 25 Megan Muth surprised No. 11 Salas 6-2, 6-3, 6-2 after Salas had won the first set. Wei defeated Catrina Thompson with their match extended to three sets and a tiebreaker 6-2, 1-6, 7-6(7-3). Kristen Dunbar clinched the win for William and Mary versus Sarah Jane Connolly 7-5, 5-7, 6-3 at No. 6.

Louderback noted that although the Irish had a disappointing loss against William and Mary, he was glad that the team had the opportunity to play a tight match outside.

"It's so different playing outside than inside," Louderback said. "The match against William and Mary was really good for us; we needed it. Playing a tight match outdoors conditioned the girls for meets later this season."

On Sunday, Texas established its presence early in the meet, claiming the doubles point. At No. 2, Lauren Connelly and Alicia Salas garnered the only win for the Irish in doubles, besting Petra Dizdar and Mia Marovic 9-7. The two have won six of their last seven matches.

Texas triumphed first at No. 1, with the duo of Katie Ruckert and Kendra Stromh defeating Caetina and Christian Thompson 8-3. At No. 3, Kelly Barito and Ristine Olson clinched the doubles point for Texas against Sarah Jane Connelly and Neighbours 8-3.

Half of the singles matches were extended to three sets, with the Irish collecting a win in two of them. Texas maintained a 5-0 lead until Christian Thompson finished off Ruckert's 6-4, 4-6, 6-0. Catrina Thompson matched Christian's win against Marovic 6-4, 4-6, 6-0 at No. 3.

Ockon was first to gain a point for Texas in singles, prevailing over Sarah Jane Connely 6-1, 6-0 at No. 6. At No. 4, Stromh was close behind with a 6-4, 6-3 win against Lauren Connelly. Clinching the win for the Longhorns was No. 18 Dizdar, who upset Salas 7-6, 6-4, 6-0 at No. 1. In a close contest at No. 5, Barito edged out Slasity 6-1, 3-6, 6-1.

"Even though we lost, we were right with Texas the whole meet. It showed the kids that we can really play with anyone, even teams ranked higher than us. Everyone play a tough match," Louderback said.

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Inconsistent offense gives 3-1 break record

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Associate Sports Editor

Saturday at home, the Irish couldn’t miss the ball. Monday and Tuesday, one wondered if they had left their bats in South Bend.

Notre Dame (32-12, 6-0 in the Big East) crushed to an easy sweep of Syracuse (15-17, 1-3) at Ivy Field on Saturday, beating them 11-3 and 8-0. Each game was called in the fifth inning on the eight-run mercy rule. Monday against No. 18 Nebraska (30-12), the team could only muster one hit and fell to the Huskers, 1-0, Tuesday, the Irish were again outheit by Nebraska, but were able to muster enough offense to salvage a split by winning 2-0. “I wouldn’t say our bats went cold,” Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said. “I think it was more of a situation of not making adjustments and attacking the ball.”

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Tess Stenglein was the starter in game two and pitched well before getting in trouble in the sixth inning after Notre Dame had taken a 2-0 lead.

She loaded the bases with one out and was replaced by Wisen, who was able to work out of the jam for her first save of the season.

“Tess couldn’t stay out there, she was having a good game but just had a couple of key looks that she couldn’t get,” Gumpf said.

She loaded the bases with one out and was replaced by Wisen in the fifth. Wisen continued to get Notre Dame to hit her strike zone. “That’s kind of been Carrie’s role all season,” Gumpf said.

“She came in a very difficult situation and really showed complete poise on the mound. You could just tell that she was going to get the job done.”

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The Irish return home to face Illinois-Chicago Thursday at 5 p.m.

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TRACK

Irish win Botts Invitational

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Writer

The Tigers couldn’t keep up with the Irish this weekend.

The Notre Dame track and field team won 11 events at the University of Missouri’s Tom Botts Invitational Friday and Saturday, while Missouri won 10. The Irish won the non-team scoring second in the non-team scoring meet, Iowa State and Iowa were the other two schools to complete.

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But University officials insist admissions standards have remained constant or are tied to grade point averages or standardized test scores. And the school's director of admissions says that Notre Dame will overlook below-average numbers as long as it believes a potential recruit can survive in Notre Dame's rigorous academic environment.

"I keep the profiles of the athletes over the 40-plus years," director of admissions Dan Saracino said, "and the academic profiles of the classes of football players has not changed.

The standards
Saracino said the athletic department and admissions office have a working relationship and a common understanding of their expectations for athletes.

"We give a list of [required course work] to the coaches," Saracino said. "And it's a good statement constant and are not this is what our expectation is for someone who is an outstanding athlete, that they would be interested in.

Essentially with the group of coaches now, we're really on the same page. We want young men who are going to be successful.

Whether the football program's recent struggles are due to admissions policies, coaches in charge of recruiting confirm that they stress academic success to their recruits — early.

"We've been instilling [students' academic records] since February," player personnel director Jimmy Gonzales said. But Gonzales does not mean the current incoming freshman class who signed letters-of-intent last month.

"No, I'm talking about the [current] juniors," Gonzales said. Standardized test scores of Notre Dame's overall applicant pool from the past 15 years, and the class of 2008 has a projected average SAT score of 1350, highest in school history and 11 points higher than the current freshman class. Notre Dame's fourth-highest graduation rate of its overall student population in the country behind Harvard, Princeton and Yale at 94 percent.

But while Notre Dame's overall academic rankings place it among the nation's elite, next year's incoming freshman football players were so loosely regarded by recruiting experts that the class of 2008 barely cracked the nation's top 30.

The criticism
Saracino referred to his recent comments in a radio interview, which were well-publicized because of radical undertones, addressed a concern that academic demands of such a prestigious university could be the reason for the Irish recruiting fewer top-caliber players.

"I respond by really just kind of shrugging my shoulders," Saracino said. "Obviously the people that would say that don't get it, the fact that the student-athlete who would be interested in Notre Dame is infused specifically because of the fact that we have student-athletes who want to exceed in academics. The ones we do want really wouldn't be good matches for Notre Dame."

Both the admissions office and in-house department feel confident in their ability to identify student-athletes who will be good fits for the school, and vice versa. The qualifications for the regular student who "fits" at Notre Dame have increased significantly over the past decade.

According to statistics compiled by Lee Sigel of the Social Science Quarterly article "It's Academic — or Is It". Admissions Standards and Big-Time College Football, Notre Dame's average student profile in 1993 — the last year Notre Dame seriously concerned for a national championship — was 1220, while the university's average SAT score for football players was 899.

Saracino, University President Father Edward Malloy said that the profiles for past football classes are consistent with the profiles of current recruits.

"In the past 30 years, our standards have remained the same," Malloy wrote in an April 4 letter to The New York Times, "while the academic profile of the student-athlete as a whole has grown stronger."

The statistics
But statistics show the average SAT scores for athletes have risen at almost the same rate as the scores for regular students. The SAT scores for football players jumped roughly 23 percent from 1993 to 2004, while the scores of the average student athlete have increased at almost the same rate over the same period of time.

Saracino, however, maintains that standards for football players have not toughened as the standards for regular students have risen.

"The overall academic quality of the football players has not kept pace in terms of test scores," AP courses, overall curriculum and grades with the overall classes," Saracino said. "And they definitely need to be tougher on the admissions of football players in recent years."

Based on statistics originally published by the South Bend Tribune, the average SAT test scores for 15 members of this year's recruiting class — excluding the scores of defensive tackle Terrance Lambert and wide receiver Christopher Vaughan, who were not pro-rated — is 1350, a national average football SAT score of 1024.

Still, University officials continue to emphasize the continuing trend of higher admissions standards.

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Dan Saracino assistant provost for admissions

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The goals
Saracino insists that admissions and athletic officials will not recruit and admit a student-athlete who they believe is not serious about academics. That is just fine with Walker.

"I try to be well rounded and have the ability to do it all," Walker said. "Saracino said. "Notre Dame has standards to encourage that type of player, and for me, personally, they are the type of player that we want. If we can help students, players who can be an overall person, not just some­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­…
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Sollmann hopes he can return

By CHRIS FEDERICA Senior Staff Writer

Injured second baseman Steve Sollmann held a press conference in between games Saturday to talk about the injury he sustained in a game against Villanova April 3. The senior tri-captain fractured his jaw after colliding with right fielder Cody Rizzo while chasing a fly ball in shallow right field.

"The rehab is going great so far," Sollmann said. "I had surgery [April 5] back in Cincinnati, and everything went great. I have a great oral surgeon back there that did a wonderful job."

The surgery did not require that Sollmann's jaw be wired shut, as is sometimes the case with broken jaws. The senior is able to talk and was mobile and active as he attended Notre Dame's games Saturday and Monday. Sollmann returned to classes today and is hopeful he will return to the Irish lineup by the end of the regular season.

"We just have to play it by ear and see how it heals," he said. "Hopefully, I can get back some­time towards the end of the sea­son."

Sollmann has a meeting sched­uled Friday with his doctor in Cincinnati to further discuss a possible time frame to return to action this year. The senior says he will know more about how soon he could return after the meeting.

Right now a major concern for Sollmann is to keep his weight and conditioning up so that he could be physically ready to return to action when his jaw heals.

"Tonight, I'm drinking a bunch of chocolate milk," he said. "They said I can get on a [stationary] bike whenever I feel up to it. As far as running and lifting, I just have to watch that I don't clamp my teeth or bounce them too much."

"I've lost some weight so far, so putting that weight back on is going to be pretty important the next couple of weeks," Sollmann said, his memory before the injury and during the time right after it is blurry, and he doesn't remember many details of the incident.

But he said the support he's received from the Notre Dame community the past two weeks has been a major factor in his progress.

"The Notre Dame community has been un­believable so far — coaches, players, stu­dents, teachers — everybody has been amazing," Sollmann said. "They've been calling me, check­ing in on me and sending me all sorts of letters."

You're outta here

In the final game with the Red Storm Monday, Mainieri was tossed from the game while coaching third base by umpire Bruce Done. The Irish skipper was arguing a questionable call by Done at third base when Sanchez was called out trying to stretch a double into a triple.

"It was my opinion that [Sanchez] was safe," Mainieri said. "I didn't even think it was that close of a play, and I was pretty shocked when I saw the call."

After the call, a shocked Mainieri threw his hands in the air and appeared to inadvertently knock his hat off, prompting the ejection.

"Unfortunately I just over­reacted there and threw my hat down, and [the umpire] had to throw me out when I did that," Mainieri said. "I deserved it. If you do something like that, you're supposed to get thrown out of the game."

Mainieri expressed regret after the game for temporarily losing his composure on the call, making himself unavailable to man­age the Irish through the tough situation.

"I lost my cool there for a minute, and I wasn't able to man­age my team through a tough ball game," he said. "So I felt kind of bad about that, that I let the guys down doing that."

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2 Notre Dame opened the week­end series against Ohio State with five runs (four earned) in 4 1/3 innings to fall to 4-2 on the season. Things looked bleak, as the Irish trailed 7-0 before a late-game rally in the bottom of the seventh of the scheduled seven games made for a more respectable 7-4 win.

"Just like the old saying, I didn't feel like we lost, time just ran out," Irish coach Paul Mainieri said. "In those seven­inning games, if you fall too big, you just run out of innings to rally."

"I feel like in a nine-inning game, maybe we would have had enough time to rally."

In the ninth, the Irish came out early and claimed a 3-1 lead after three innings with a pair of runs in the first off a two-RBI single from senior Javi Sanchez and a single from left fielder Steve Andrews in the third.

"We were s till in first place," Mainieri said. "We just had tremendous pitching performance from junior Grant Johnson, who worked five score­less innings and allowed only two hits, to lead the Irish Storm 7-1."

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In the nightcap, the Irish spoiled a gem of a pitching per­formance from the freshman Samardzija, who allowed a no-hitter into the seventh inning.

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In the bottom half of the inning, the Irish tied the game for good on a two-run double from first baseman Matt Edwards. The junior had an off-game the day before knocking the game-winning double down the left field line.

"I went up there that last time up with confidence like I had gone 6-for-6 instead of 0-for-6, and got my big hit," Edwards said. "It came at the best time it could [Saturday]."

"The first pitch he threw me was an off-speed pitch, and I was really just looking for something to hit on the next one. I thought he was going to come back with some­thing hard, and he left it a little bit over the plate, and I got a good swing out of it."

Notre Dame's best effort of the weekend came in its opener Saturday against St. John's. The Irish used a dominating pitching per­formance from junior Grant Johnson, who worked five score­less innings and allowed only two hits, to lead the Irish Storm 7-1.

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**SMC Softball**

**Belles keep hold on last playoff spot after 3-1 stretch**

By JUSTIN STETZ
Spencer Wisniewski

The Saint Mary's softball team showed Thursday why they belong in the upcoming MIAA tournament, and Tuesday they showed they can compete in it.

By winning both games against Hope Thursday in a crucial doubleheader to help determine who would clinch the final seed in the MIAA tournament, the Belles believed they set the tone for the rest of the season. After splitting the contest last year, Saint Mary's did not let up as they won the first game, 7-1, and won the second one with a two-out two-run homer to win 7-2.

Then Tuesday against Olivet, the Belles split the doubleheader by winning the first game 8-6 but dropping the second 3-2.

Saint Mary's came out swinging against Hope as they scored two in the first inning of the first game, led by an Erin Sullivan two-out single that drove in both runs. In the top of the second, Audrey Gajer singled to left and reached second after Bridget Grall's hit was mislaided. With both runners advancing to second and third on a Megan Marenkovic sacrifice, Marcie Walsh singled to center making the score 4-0.

In the third, the Belles struck once again as they posted three more runs. Katrina Tribbe began with a single, and Erin Sullivan was hit by a pitch giving Saint Mary's two runners on no outs. Then Grall's sacrifice fly scored one more, giving the Belles a 5-0 edge. Marenkovic knocked in the last two runs with a single. They finished the inning with three runs on two hits and a 7-0 lead.

This was all they would need for the win, as Kate Sajewich pitched five great innings and allowed only one run in the bottom of the fourth. Tribbe led the Belles with three hits and Walsh, Sullivan, and Marenkovic all had two RBIs apiece.

The second game of the afternoon started off as a defensive battle between two teams that were fighting for the fourth and final seed in the conference tournament. Both pitchers were superb as only five total hits were given up through four innings.

That changed in the bottom of the fifth, when the Belles scored the first run of the game. Walsh scored on an RBI single from Sajewich.

But Hope responded in the sixth with a run and added another in the seventh as they took the lead 2-1 heading into the bottom of the seventh. Saint Mary's chances of making the tournament looked slim, but in their final at bat Sajewich hit a game-ending home run with Sullivan on first.

The win more than gave the Belles a sweep, but also increased their lead over Hope for the playoff spot.

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**Lacrosse**

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best team defense we've played all year. Our defense was a top program," Coyne said.

"I was surprised, in all honesty, that we got up on them 10-0, because they're such a competitive team, and they're tradition­ally a top program," Coyne said. "We had no trouble breaking their press, and we were just moving the ball really well."

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**FOOTBALL**

**It's not academic**

ND says standards aren't the reason top recruits won't wear gold helmets

By PAT LEONARD
Assistant Sports Editor

Darius Walker will attend Notre Dame next fall. Walker also will play football. The Georgia running back was admitted to the University this winter after a typical recruiting process, and on Feb. 4 he signed a national letter of intent to play at Notre Dame.

But while other schools might have focused exclusively on Walker's athletic prowess, Notre Dame's regular recruiting process emphasized Walker's academic history and credentials.

"It's one of the first things they do," said Walker, who will graduate this spring with a 4.0 GPA and a 1110 SAT score. "They find out about the players' academics before they even start recruiting." Since they have such high standards, they want to know whether they can recruit you or they can't."

After the team's third losing season in five years, Notre Dame football fans are worried that rising admission standards for incoming students have caused the admission standards for football players to rise. The team's performance, some fans say, has suffered accordingly.

In the early 1990's, the Knight Commission — chaired by University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh — led a charge to prevent Division I schools from lowering admissions standards to admit unqualified athletes. Ironically, today some Irish fans want Notre Dame to lower its standards to accommodate more athletes.

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**BASEBALL**

**Tough breaks cause Irish to crumble**

Mainieri's ejection

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Senior Staff Writer

From a near no-hitter turning into a one-run loss to their usually-calm head coach being ejected from the game, the Irish experienced just about everything this weekend in a pair of split doubleheaders in Big East action.

No. 4 Notre Dame (26-5, 8-2) in the Big East saw its proven ace Chris Niesel continue to struggle in the first game of the break Saturday but watched freshman Jeff Samardzija continue to pitch as sharp as anyone on the staff with a near no-hitter Monday, in a weekend series split with St. John's (16-13, 8-2) Monday, 7-1 and 1-0.

Tough breaks cause Irish to crumble

**WOMEN'S LACROSSE**

Irish ascend to No. 2

Thrashing of Ohio State followed by highest national ranking in 8 years

By MATT PUGLISI
Sports Writer

Put another one in the win column.

Notre Dame moved to a perfect 10-0 on the season and extended its overall winning streak to a school-record 14 games as the Irish ripped off the conference's first 10 goals en route to a 14-6 thrashing of Ohio State (3-7) in Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday afternoon.

And on the heels of the victory, the Irish ascended to No. 2 in both the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWCLA) and Inside Lacrosse Magazine polls.

The No. 2 spot is the highest ranking in eight years, topping the No. 3 rank the Irish had carried since March 16.

"We played unbelievable team defense against Ohio State," Irish coach Tracy Coyne said. "It's probably the best defense I've seen all year." The Irish were off to a good start early in the meet, holding a 3-1 lead against William and Mary. The No. 2 doubles team of sophomore Lauren Connelly and senior Alicia Salas combined with No. 3 doubles junior Sarah Jane Connolly and senior Emily Neighbours to gain the doubles point for the Irish.

Lauren Connelly and Salas beat Lena Sherbakow and Lingda Yang 8-2. Sarah June

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**WOMEN'S TENNIS**

Two ranked foes topple Irish over weekend

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

Heading into this weekend's matches, the Irish anticipated that they would have to fight for every point.

No. 43 William and Mary (13-12) and No. 14 Texas (16-4) fulfilled their expectations, with both teams edging out No. 23 Notre Dame in their respective matches.

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