Panel addresses humanitarian crisis in Sudan

By MICHAEL BUSK

Editor's Note: This is the first article in a two-part series focusing on the background of and possible solutions to the current crisis in Sudan.

Three experts on the humanitarian crisis in Darfur critiqued the lack of international response to the war crimes there in a symposium Wednesday afternoon. The three also recommended the increased use of outside troops, arms embargoes and targeted sanctions against Sudan, and the prosecution of those who have perpetrated genocide through the implementation of the International Criminal Court.

John Prendergast, the former assistant administrator of the United Nations in Africa, spoke harshly of the apathetic international reaction to the Darfur crisis, saying that the United Nations, the United States and others have used diplomatic plays to skirt the real, complicating decisions that they would have been forced to make otherwise.

"The international community deliberately portrays the situation on the ground as more complicated than they actually are," said Prendergast. "It's a very deliberate, very specific way of absolving yourself of responsibility in the short-run, to say it's just too difficult."

Larry Minear, director of the Humanitarianism and War project at Tufts University, declared the international humanitarian response particularly lacking.

"I don't think there's anyone in the humanitarian community who would call that the effort robust," Minear said. He further noted that within approximately the first 12 months of the conflict, only six percent of affected Darfurians had received drinkable water from aid organizations and only eight percent had been given food.

Prendergast warned that the members of the U.N. Security Council and others would have to spend real political capital in order to secure lasting changes in the region.

"What you see the Security Council, the United States and the Europeans doing on a regular basis, you see them calling for cease-fires, rather than specifically owning up to the perpetrators, those who have perpetrated mass killings," said Prendergast.

The result of this diplomatic maneuvering, Prendergast said, was in fact the implicit justification of the Khartoum government's atrocities.

"The symposium listens as Frances Deng, former Sudanese ambassador to the United States, makes a point.

World Trade Center engineer discusses work

By JULIE BENDER

Amidst a candlelit dinner in the stadium press box Wednesday night, renowned structural engineer Leslie Robertson treated a select group of engineering students and professors to a lecture entitled, "The Merging of Architecture: A Short History of the Structural Engineering and Designs of Los Robertson."

Robertson treated a select group of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students to his comments on his own humility, saying that it's for his own humility, saying that it's for his own personal benefit, that he always tries to apply independent critical thinking. While ROTC students do participate in regular activities, freshman Caitlin Begley of Chicago said he has noticed something extra in her ROTC classroom.

"I admire them: it requires a lot of dedication," she said. "I also work for the government myself, so I understand them officially and respectfully."

Sophomore Michael Crowley said he was impressed by those in ROTC, noting that he didn't quite have their stamina. "It's hard. They don't go out as much and they have to get up early," he said. "They have to join the [armed forces] after ROTC"
INSIDE COLUMN

What would you say it is you do?

Lately I've been feeling an overwhelming urge to procrastinate. I'm sure we can all relate. Midterms and essays await me but the urge to pop into an episode of "The O.C." or search aimlessly through thefacebook.com seems too tempting.

Some people might claim they never procrastinate and finish all their work promptly and on time. For the rest of us, we'd rather pull the all-nighter and not worry ourselves. So with apologies to Jeff Foxworthy, here's my top list of when you know you're a procrastinator.

10. You know you're a procrastinator when you'd rather watch Eliminator episode of "The O.C." or search for 워너 ourse. So with apologies to the facebook.com.

9. You know you're a procrastinator if you try to start a research project but don't even make it to the library after you remember that you could be doing nothing instead.

8. You know you're a procrastinator if you put off until tomorrow what can be put off until the day after tomorrow just as easily.

7. You know you're a procrastinator if you decide to start studying but then remember that later that night Walker, Texas Ranger will be on TV.

6. You know you're a procrastinator if you take more effort to start a term paper ahead of time than it does to spend an entire day playing NCAA football on X-box.

5. You know you're a procrastinator if you can type conversations back and forth on AIM that total thousands of words before you dare start that 500-word essay.

4. You know you're a procrastinator if you try to start your work only to realize that it's Saturday and there was no reason to be working in the first place.

3. You know you're a procrastinator when you make a promise to get all your work done on Thursday night and then realize your mouth feels dry and you need to quench your thirst for an extended period.

2. You know you're a procrastinator when you set out to finish your calculus homework but instead decide to start a new club on thefacebook.com and tell all your friends about it.

But there's still one more thing I forgot... you know you're a procrastinator when you can put off doing an assignment and in a strange way feel good that you did. After all, we're only young once and that paper onocrates can wait until 3 a.m. next week.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Steve Coyer at scoyer@nd.edu.

CORRECTIONS

Due to an editing error, misprint in Notre Dame Navy ROTC program was mistakenly called "cadets" on pages 1 and 2 of the Feb. 23 edition of The Observer. The Observer regrets the error.

In Brief

A blood drive will be held today in Rolfs Sports Recreation Center from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. To sign up call recsports at 631-6100.


The 1962 film "To Kill a Mockingbird" will be shown at 10 p.m. tonight in the Browning Cinema of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center as part of the Spring ArtFest 2005. Tolerance and Reconciliation. Call 631-2900 for tickets.

Sean O'Brien will give a lecture entitled "Passive Resistance: Michael Davitt and the Poetivist School of Criminology" from 3 to 4:15 p.m. today in 424 Flanner Hall. The event is sponsored by the Keough Institute for Irish Studies.

Karen Richman will give a lecture titled "Hellenic Vodou: Arts, Culture and Religion" Friday at 3 p.m. in the Snite Museum of Art.

The Notre Dame men's and women's fencing teams will participate in the Midwest Fencing Conference Championships Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Joyce Center Fieldhouse. To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to observer@nd.edu.
Weiner addresses eating disorders, body image issues

By KAREN LANGLEY
News Writer

Student government's Eating Disorders Awareness Week continued Wednesday night with a lecture by author and speaker Jessica Weiner. Weiner's program, entitled "Do I Look Fat in This? Decoding the Language of Body Hated," explored topics of eating disorders, body image and self-esteem through her own experiences and those of others.

Weiner has spoken at college campuses since she was an undergraduate and has toured professionally for ten years. Her book, "A Very Hungry Girl," was also featured on "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

According to Weiner, her struggles with eating disorders began in childhood. She described the development of her illness from the time when she was a young girl growing up in a house of very weight-conscious parents. "There are three flavors of eating disorders: anorexia, bulimia and binge eating," she said. "Growing up, I struggled with all of them. I started dieting with my mom when I was eleven. I learned how to count calories at too young of an age. I was 14 years old and exercising for four hours every day, but I hid it all."

Weiner described bottoming out during her freshman year in college, only to experience an epiphany when she witnessed other women sharing their struggles with various problems. "It was a pinnacle turning point for me. At that moment in time, I had a name for what I was doing (recessive bulimia), and I knew that I wasn't alone. That was an amazing feeling," she said.

Weiner stressed that the tendency of women to express themselves in terms of body image rather than emotion, noting that complaints about fitness frequently stem from other concerns and problems. "Fat is not a feeling. It is a catchphrase and substitute for what we are feeling. The emotions we can feel are things like happiness, sadness and anger," she said.

According to Weiner, eating disorders represent an enormous and underestimated problem in the United States. "While 10 million women and one million men have a diagnosed eating disorder, an estimated 25 million people in total have some form of an eating disorder," she said. "...Anorexia is the number one mental health disorder resulting in death, as 20 percent of those who struggle with this disease succumb to it. That is hundreds of thousands of women every year."

Weiner also pointed out that eating disorders are not limited to only women or to only white women; Latina and black women have shown huge increases in rates of eating disorders, she said.

While physically-focused pursuits, such as dance and athletics, may increase a person's chances of developing an eating disorder, Weiner said, an overarching cultural emphasis on weight and body image can create unbearable pressure on individuals. She described America's "incredibly fat-phobic" culture, which allows destructive and restrictive behavior to fall under the category of health.

"Although I attended performing arts schools, a big part of the problem came simply from the fact that I grew up as a girl in the world. This is the last acceptable baxtion of discrimination in America. Who wants to be fat in this country? Eighty percent of elementary school children surveyed said they were afraid of being fat," said Weiner.

This culture of fearing fat and worshipping health has created even more impediments to fighting unhealthy eating, according to Weiner. She noted that research for isolating a gene that could increase susceptibility to anorexia has been stymied due to lack of funds, while the American health industry nets $80 billion each year.

"The need to talk about this issue is profound. Like many college campuses, [Notre Dame] is an incredibly tough school, and you all are perfectionists. There is incredible pressure on you," she said.

According to Weiner, one of the main ways to address the issue of low self-image is through careful use of language. Words of body hatred intensify the problem dramatically, she said. While refusing to speak in terms of body hatred may be difficult, Weiner noted that it is essential in any social change. "Ghani said to be the change you wish to see in the world. You have to be the one person in your group who does not bow to self-loving body hatred," she said.

Weiner also emphasized the need for women to monitor the exposure they allow themselves to the media. She noted that no model, male or female, reaches a magazine cover without being airbrushed and worked over by an entire team of professionals. "You are not supposed to look like her. She doesn't even look like her," Weiner said.

She advised students who have friends suffering from eating disorders to remember the importance of listening in a relationship. While they cannot solve their friend's problem, she explained that being there and caring is often the best approach to the situation. Weiner emphasized that no person should be defined in terms of appearance and numbers. She recently refused to reveal her weight to a New York Times reporter at the bottom point of her sickness, deciding instead to use terms that would not lead to any comparisons by readers. "Like my friends who choose to resonate fully in their bodies and their lives," she said.

Weiner mentioned resources on campus for individuals struggling with eating disorders or anyone who might have questions. She cited the University Counseling Center as one venue for students to find support. She also mentioned a campus group called A Life Uncommon, which meets Wednesdays at 9 p.m. in room 316 of the Coleman-Morse Building. "A Life Uncommon is an incredible group. It has become a viable, tangible presence on this campus," she said.

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Representatives discuss postponing transition date

Changes to campaign funding, election day procedures debated

By AMANDA MICHAELS
News Writer

Senators discussed student government election and transition issues at their meeting Wednesday night, focusing for government election and transition terms and giving newly-elected leaders a chance to present in resolution their plans for the following year.

"It is important that you come to own the role before summer, or else you will lose momentum coming into the new school year,"{}

Pandya also asked that the senators take into consideration the opinion of the Hall President's Council, which has voiced its opposition to the date change.

"The first idea proposed a plan of the year to wrap up their end-of-the-year projects. Fisher Hall president Jacob Benedict was given the floor to discuss the idea.

Benedict said in closing, "If our success is hinged on setting a calendar right, we have bigger problems to deal with." Vijay Ramanan, chair of the Committee on Academic Affairs, said in closing, "The committee on Oversight also presented three ideas regarding election campaigning to solicit the senators' input.

The first idea proposed a reimbursement for funds spent by student body president, vice president and class council candidates during the campaign. Currently, candidates are permitted to spend up to $200 on their campaigns, all of which they must procure on their own.

"There are kids on this campus that want to make a change, and it's unfortunate that they have to spend their own money to get the chance to do it," Leito said.

"If you're going to run for office, you have to be willing to sacrifice your time, your effort and even your money," Baron said. There are means and places out there already to provide for candidates who may not have the finances to pull the money from their own pockets."

The second idea was to take away the ban on campaigning on election day. Most senators stood in support of repealing the ban after Brian Coughlin, director of Student Activities, explained that the restriction's original purpose was to prevent voter intimidation when students voted on paper ballots at locations in their individual dorms.

The final idea, to which no one voiced objections, proposed that voting begin on election day rather than 8 a.m., to accommodate for those students in different time zones.

In other Senate news:

- Senators Julie Pearce and Agus Galmarini told the Senate that during their discussion about football ticket distribution with the athletic department's director of ticketing Josh Berlo, they learned that included in a new campus system upgrade would be software that will allow students to purchase tickets online. Though this technology would not be in place until the 2006-2007 year,泡沫 and Galmarni asked senators to see how their constituents felt about possibly purchasing football tickets over the summer instead of in the fall.

- Student body vice president Karla Bell said that U2's management had informed them that Bono and the band would not be able to fit a stop in South Bend into their spring tour schedule. However, a campaign to get U2 to come in the fall will continue, Bell said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Queen’s absence fuels speculation

LONDON — Buckingham Palace says Queen Elizabeth II won’t be attending her son’s wedding to keep the occasion “low key.”

Fat chance.

“Queen’s anger at wedding shambles,” said London’s Evening Standard newspaper on Wednesday, while The Sun headed its coverage “The Queen’s temper.”

Among royal watchers and wedding organizers alike, there was agreement that the unprecedented all-inclusive planning, a hint of queasily disapproving and lingering questions over the civil ceremony’s legitimacy were tipping the coming wedding of Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles toward farce.

“I’m actually quite shocked,” said Emma Paton, director of Zen Events, a firm of wedding planners. “They don’t seem to have thought it through at all.”

Leader signals willingness to resign

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Lebanon’s pro-Syrian prime minister said Wednesday he was willing to resign in an effort to contain growing anger at his government and Damascus over the assassination of former Prime Minister Rafik Hariri.

Prime Minister Omar Karami made the offer to step down in a newspaper interview. “I am ready to resign on condition that we agree on a new government in order to avoid falling into a constitutional vacuum,” he told the daily Al-Nahar.

Karami said he will seek a vote of confidence in Parliament on Monday, when lawmakers meet to discuss Hariri’s assassination in a Feb. 14 bombing in Beirut that also killed 16 others. The debate was requested by opposition legislators.

NATIONAL NEWS

Prosecutors say man not tortured

WASHINGTON — A Virginia man accused of plotting to kill President Bush should be held indefinitely, federal prosecutors offered to display scars on his back as proof while held in Saudi Arabia.

At a hearing a day earlier in Alexandria, a 27-year-old named Ahmed Abu Ali offered to display scars on his back as proof that he was tortured by Saudi authorities. In the Alexandria County Court, prosecutors said, “There is no credible evidence to support these claims.”

Ali never complained about his treatment during several meetings with an American ambassador to Saudi Arabia, according to the filing. Moreover, an American doctor examined him Monday and found “no evidence of physical mistreatment on the defendant’s back or any other part of his body.”

Gov’t will pay more medical costs

WASHINGTON — Within a decade, the government will be feeling the bill for nearly half the nation’s medical costs, its share propped higher by the new Medicare drug program, administration economists estimated Wednesday.

At the same time, total health spending — both private and government — will take an overlarger portion of America’s economic output, said the report from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

LOCAL NEWS

Zoo sees rare captivity birth

FORT WAYNE — Visitors to the Fort Wayne Children’s Zoo will be treated to a rare sight when it opens for the season April 30: a baby striped possum.

Zookeepers first discovered the birth in December during a routine physical on Alkira, a female striped possum, Kirchner said.

Associated Press

Iraq

Interim leader challenges poll

BAGHDAD Ayad Allawi, the secular interim prime minister, said Wednesday he’s putting together a coalition to try to hold onto the job in the new government and block the candidate of the dom­inant Shiite political alliance, Iraqi Arabs, both private and govern­ment — will take an

ire’s interim prime minister, Ayad Allawi, has begun the process of building a coalition in hopes of blocking Shiite Ibrahim al-Jaafari from obtaining his job.

Iraqi Arabs are one of the interim government’s two vice presidents and heads Dawa, a conservative Islamic religious party. He fought Saddam Hussein and took refuge in Iraq for a decade in the 1980’s, when Shiite clergy solidi­fied their rule in Iran.

In forming his new coalition to unseat al-Jaafari, Allawi asked the Sunni Arab minority, which most­ly boycotted the Jan. 30 elections, to play a role in the new government. Such a move could go a long way toward helping deflate the insurgency, modestly thought to be made up of Sunnis who once belonged to Saddam’s Baath party.

States rebuke education overhaul

WASHINGTON — State lawmakers issued a scathing rebuke of President Bush’s education overhaul on Wednesday, calling it a coercive, unconstitutional form of Isla m ic govern­ment. He opposed the creation of any form of Islamic govern­ment.

“We are liberal powers and we believe in a liberal Iraq and not an Iraq gov­erned by political Islamists. But as a person he is an honourable man, fighter and a good brother,” Allawi said.

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overall, the proposal would give states significantly more power to administer the law.

As a bipartisan statement from all the big players in the debate, it is suffici­ent for its sweep and tone, under­scoring tensions over which level of government has final say over edu­cation. Schools are traditionally a state matter, but the federal role has grown much more aggressive as Bush and Congress have ordered higher achievement among all stu­dents.

The new report contends the law leads to unintended consequences and that the federal government is indifferent to them — the lowering of academic standards, increasing segregation in school, and the driv­ing away of top teachers from needy schools. It claim s the government is also violating the Constitution by coercing state compliance.

Republican state Sen. Steve Saland of New York, co-chairman of the task force that reviewed the law, compared it to a “weed” that has stifled state innovation. Co­chairman Steve Kelley, a Democratic state senator from Minnesota, said the federal govern­ment is right to target the achieve­ment gap among poor and minority­ties but wrong to meddle with the states.

States rebuke education overhaul
commercial development up to the "Five Corners." You're not going to get a Gap, a Banana Republic, something like that, you know, a high-end, or, you have gourmet, some restaurants, a Pottery Barn, some kind of bookstore," Affleck-Graves said.

He also said that the townhouses would be required to leave campus, and the apartments would not be made available to students. "This won't be like Turtle Creek," Affleck-Graves said.

Detwiler also said that the University's role in the process would entail selling the proposed land to developers and changing retailers.

"It's up to developers to engage the tenants," Hakanen said.

According to Hakanen, the idea to develop emerged from Notre Dame officials' increasing dissatisfaction with the area immediately surrounding campus.

"We want Northside to look like the University," Hakanen said.

While Notre Dame's initial response was to acquire available property itself, it has learned that detailed planning process began about three or four years ago along with the formation of the Neighborhood Redevelopment Organization.

The NNRO, whose members include Notre Dame, the two hospitals and Saint Mary's College, is a for-profit corporation.

The two hospitals and Saint Mary's College are involved in the project, Hakanen said. The timeline for the project will depend on how quickly developers commit, said Affleck-Graves.

"We need to get a sense of how the community will engage in this," Hakanen said.

Both Affleck-Graves and Hakanen said that finding a developer for the project would not be difficult, a notion supported by the high turnout at presentations pitching the project one month ago in Chicago and yesterday in South Bend.

"We're optimistic about the site," Hakanen said.

Robertson stressed, however, that engineers should not change their designs to be able to withstand impact with low flying aircraft, but, due to the speed and size of the planes on 9/11, the towers could not remain standing. Robertson reiterated that the sites would be available in July or August for development.

"It was important to get their input and approval in the actual process," Hakanen said. "This is not something we're doing behind the scenes."

"We wanted it to be a transparent process," Hakanen said.

"We are advocating an absolutely pacifist position, and we are advocating it in a way that's different," Robertson said.

"In a world of the officers who have a broad understanding of civilian principles, who have a broad understanding of the military service," but also said that these "are only in the program because they have no choice," due to financial constraints.

"We do design in the buildings, allowing them to remain standing if something should go wrong," he said. "We design so that if you take a tree out of any of our buildings, the building will continue to stand.

"According to Cortright, there has been an ongoing dialogue of monthly meetings between ROTC commanders and Peace Studies staff members since the Peace Studies program was established in 1986. During these "informal" dialogues, Cortright said, discussions have surrounded concerns relating to contemporary peace and security issues.

"We often find we don't differ on its opinions a number of the officers share the same suspicion and concern about some of the issues." In the first semester of the Peace Studies program, Cortright said, "I feel there are ways in which we share perspectives and ways in which we learn from each other."

Affleck-Graves Yi said that despite his anti-war sentiments, he has "great respect" for the program and its participants.

"I am grateful for their sacrifice," he said. Cortright, though, stressed the need for a such a program, even on — or essentially on — a Catholic campus.

"Unless we are advocating a position that's reflective of the society from which they came when they are out in military service," Cortright said. "To be a good engineer it is important that you be yourself, be frank with the people you collaborate with and know the fundamentals of engineering."

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**In Brief**

Consumer inflation shows increase

WASHINGTON — Consumer prices, helped by a second monthly drop in energy costs, were well behaved in January, but a weaker dollar and increases in crude oil prices this month could mean trouble ahead.

The Labor Department reported Wednesday that its Consumer Price Index edged up a tiny 0.1 percent in January after having been flat in December.

Both months were helped by big declines in energy costs, but that situation is expected to reverse in February and March as a rebound in world crude oil prices hits American consumers.

Some analysts projected that energy costs could push the February CPI up by as much as 0.6 percent with March consumer prices projected to surge as well, reflecting the fact that crude oil prices had climbed above $50 per barrel again.

Analysis is also worried about the impact the U.S. dollar's three-year decline against other currencies will have on inflation, given the record levels of imported consumer goods Americans are buying.

Late starters can still save nest egg

NEW YORK — Many Americans know they haven't saved enough for retirement and, apparently convinced it's too late to catch up, do nothing about it.

Freezing like a deer caught in oncoming headlights isn't going to solve the problem. What's needed is to start immediately saving as much as possible — to fund retirement, financial experts say.

The main reason that Americans, especially baby boomers, haven't put enough away for retirement is that they've been living beyond their means, said financial planner Alan Havir, who works at Abashe & Associates in Phoenix.

"If you're 45 or 50, and you haven't saved or you haven't saved enough, you have to seri­ously look at reducing your lifestyle," he said.

"You have to spend less than you earn. You have to stop spending your retirement money today and start to save and save and save."

That's tough advice to follow, but Havir believes people can do it if they take the time to imagine the life they want in retirement.

**Travellers not dismayed by prices**

**Associated Press**

NEW YORK — Lawyers for former WorldCom Inc. chief Bernard Ebbers are trying to limit the damage caused by the nation's largest accounting fraud.

A surge in the price of the former head of internal auditing at WorldCom, told jury members that Arthur Andersen gave a "green light" rating to the company's accounting for 2000 and 2001.

In 2002, Cooper alerted the board of directors to irregular accounting practices, touching off the scandal that eventually sank WorldCom. Cooper later shared in Time mag­azine's Person of the Year award.

She testified after federal prosecutors rested their case against Ebbers, who is accused of abusing the $11 billion accounting fraud.

The government called 23 witnesses over 16 days of testimony.

U.S. District Judge Barbara Jones denied a defense motion to clear Ebbers on all nine counts against him. Defense lawyers routinely make such a motion after prose­cutors rest their case.

Defense lawyer Brian Heberlig argued the government had not proved criminal intent because he said it failed to show WorldCom's books violated generally accepted accounting principles, commonly known as GAAP.

While the government could conceivably have offered "plausible" evidence there was a "failure of proof on this critical ele­ment," Heberlig told the judge.

Cooper ruled the government had only to prove WorldCom made false statements in its financial statements — not neces­sarily that they had violat­ed specific accounting industry rules.

Cooper, who now runs her own consulting business, testified that WorldCom chief Scott Sullivan did not men­tion "anything uncomfort­able" about company accounting when he attended a 2001 audit committee meeting.

Sulli­van himself testified that by that time, he had already told Ebbers he thought it was wrong for accountants to make adjustments to hide expenses and falsely boost revenues.

Cooper is to return to the witness stand Thursday morning for more testimony. The defense team has said it will open its case on Wednesday.

**Former WorldCom CEO Bernard Ebbers exits Manhattan federal court Wed., Feb. 14. Ebbers is on trial for accounting fraud which when reported sank the company.**
Jawad A. Farhat

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African Union troops currently
acquiesce to the authority of the
United Nations Security Council — the
world's highest form of diplomacy. Prendergast said the troops were allowed only to doc­ument the Darfurian carnage. Nonetheless, Mendez said that even this supervisory role is insuf­ficient, and like Prendergast, agreed that there was a tremen­dous need for more peacekeeping
troops to protect Darfuri civilians. Such protections are most critical in Darfuri refugee camps on the Sudanese/Chadian border, where women, leaving the protection of their make-shift shelters, are at high risk of being raped by Janjaweed marauders, Mendez said.

A Darfur issue that acquires large attention in the coming months is an impending famine in the region, said Mendez. "It did not find a policy of geno­cide in the Sudanese govern­ment," said Mendez. "But it is still possible for a court to find certain Sudanese government officials guilty of genocide, although that would have to be done in a separate criminal court."

Francis Deng, the symposium’s third speaker and former Sudanese ambassador to the United States, put the genocide issue in perspective, saying that although the U.N. has not officially declared genocide, "we need a package of meas­ures," he said, "not simply sanctions, not simply strengthening the African Union, not simply employing the International Criminal Court. But with a com­plete package, with all of these taken together, we might just be able to save some lives."

Deng went on to say that the current Arab/black African dichotomy is a new one in Sudanese history and that the real differences between the two groups are few — that foreigners would have a difficult time differentiating between those called Arabs and those called Africans.

Deng traced the source of this racial distinction to British colo­nization of Sudan in the 19th century, when the British govern­ment irrationally tried to divide the nation culturally into the Arab North and non-Arab, African South. The result of this separation quickly caused a tense hierarchy to develop, with those concerned Arabs being considered generally superior to those considered native Africans, he said. It is along these artificial lines that tensions between Arabs and non-Africans have developed in Darfur, Deng said.

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Performances by The Solid Underground at 7:45, and The Irish Dancers at 8:45!
Let the movie credits roll

This Sunday the 77th annual Academy Awards will take place, and if I had a vote for Best Picture, it would go to the acclaimed "Million Dollar Baby." Confidently directed and beautifully shot, the film manages to bring moral seriousness to the table without threatening to become a cinematic op-ed piece. It is, in short, a film for grown-ups—a rare thing in Hollywood these days. When a good movie comes along, the achievement should be acknowledged, lest the species become extinct.

Of the three key performers, Hilary Swank will undoubtedly garner the most attention. She gained 20 pounds, all of it muscle, to play a female boxer. Changing body type for a role has been fashionable ever since Robert De Niro bulked up and won an Oscar playing Jake La Motta. The psychological appeal for the audience is hardly mysterious; movie stars earn obscene amounts of money, and we like to know that they suffered for it. Swank does a fine job, as does Eastwood, but in my opinion, Morgan Freeman's performance is what makes the film work.

"Team America: World Police" has not been nominated for anything, which is hardly surprising given that many of the people who wrote the script now work on the TV series "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart." The film's jibes will be seen in the good seats at the Kodak Theatre on Sunday.

It is sometimes said that celebrities are America's aristocracy, and many of them certainly seem to have developed a sense of noblesse oblige. The problem is that when film stars get involved in politics, they often give the impression that they have cast themselves as members of the Rebel Alliance taking on the Galactic Empire. The results are usually embarrassing, and sometimes deplorable. In 1972, Jane Fonda toured North Vietnam, denouncing American Prisoners of War as "war criminals" and even produced a film that depicted a unique vision of the world.

One theory, auteur theory, treats a film's director as the analogue of a novel's author—in effect, as its sole creator. William Goldman wrote, only one American director who could justly be considered an auteur. Anyone familiar with Meyer's credits can see that his films work. They write, direct, produce and even voice their own work. They just might be "hypocrites and liars." In an infamous radio broadcast, she suggested that Richard Nixon should read Ho Chi Minh's "People's War on Terror.

Based on the true story of a Hutu hotel manager who managed to protect over a thousand Tutsis during the Rwandan genocide, it's a devastating film to watch, as well it should be. In Rwanda, a relatively small international force could stop the bloodshed, although with their capability to deter violence would require that they be permitted not merely to carry guns, but to use them. Regrettably Rwanda, people often say that genocide took place while the world looked on and did nothing. But that isn't right, for we did do something. We looked away. And we have no right to be shocked when this Sunday, as the killings continue, most of us will be watching the stars.

Let the movie credits roll.

Peter Wicks

Editorial Cartoon

Observer Poll

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Quote of the Day

"I said to the man who stood at the gate of the temple, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God.'" And he replied, "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."

Louise Haskins

English Poet
Need no credit card to ride this train

Bob Masters

Fall On The Floor And Laughing

The Weather Girls harmonize, "It's rainsin' men... It's rainsin' men... every specimen / tall blonde dark and lean / rough and tough and strong / and in the use of the last great anthems of the disco era.

The lyrics lead me to believe that the writers must have experimented with what I like to call The Pack Phenomenon (TPP). The poster probably went for months, perhaps even years, without a real sight — not a single prospect — and trapped in a veritable dating drought.

One day, she fell in love, and her instinct took over. Suddenly, in the middle of her Sahara, "It's rainsin' men." My TPP theory, advanced by carelessly conducted, completely unscientific research, is that men are highly evolved pack animals. They are capable of procreating female desperation from 14,000 miles away, but able to deftly move the scent of contentment from a worldwide radius.

Therefore, when a woman falls in love, she becomes an irresistible target of the entire bunch. Immediately, her phone starts ringing. There's the 3 a.m. call from her ex-boyfriend, the call from that one of the few for two years, and, invariably, calls from every guy who has ever asked for her number. Not far, they come out of the woodwork. I know TPP happens; I have both observed and experienced it.

And when that question remains unanswered, How does the word get out? Smoke signal. Smoke signals suggest that it is being brought into being. A consequence of the SIM (She's Not Single) visible to friends and would-be suitors. My pet theory explains this phenomenon, but becomes problematic when other factors are considered: campus catcalls, random run-ins with gorgeous hunks and crush she's had for two years, and, invariably, calls that turn a dowdy dame into a glamour girl still eluded me. 'The Pack Phenomenon'. (Disclaimer: I do not have any data regarding reversal of gender roles, but I think we have found the reason the phenomenon is also true.)

Attempting to bend my theories into logical analysis, I looked to the beauty school. Supply and demand had a lot going for it, but relationships are difficult to compare to commodities. I was disappointed with probability and statistics — applications perceived cause and effect is labeled an unrelated correlation. Biology explained physical attraction, but defining the element that catalyzes The Pack Phenomenon. (Disclaimer: I do not have any data regarding reversal of gender roles, but I think we have found the reason the phenomenon is also true.)

I recognized in my merry to analyze, I had forgotten to even consider psychology's placebo effect. In case you aren't familiar with it, the placebo effect occurs when you take a pill believing it to be effective when, in fact, it is simply a sugar pill. Research (the real, scientific kind) shows that the cause of placebo reactions is simply the belief in the treatment. It is found. There might be impossible to bottle the intangible effects of beauty. If the placebo effect could be isolated, it would exude a high level of glowing confidence and self-contentment — despite current relational status — could quite possibly transform any woman. The placebo effect (TPP), with no boyfriend required. So don't force your own sense of self-reliance and self-worth. What the universe sends your way? Let it rain.

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Ludacris coats but still satisfies

By KENYATTA STORIN
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The Red Light District
Ludacris
Def Jam

Not every song is great on "Get Lifted," but it is still a fine start to John Legend's career.

Legend has solid studio debut

By BECCA SAUNDERS
Assistant Scene Editor

John Legend
Sony Urban Music/Columbia

The Red Light District has much better production than Ludacris' last album, "Chicken-N-Beer."

"Get Lifted" is an even mix of slow and fast R&B songs with a touch of hip-hop and a bit of soul. Legend's textured voice covers a vast vocal range and his strong ability to create both fast and slow R&B is consistently shown throughout the 14 songs on "Get Lifted."

Legend has always had big plans for his last name, which was formerly Stephens and has since been changed to Legend. An English major from the University of Pennsylvania, Legend spent nine years as the music and choir director at Bethel A.M.E. Church outside Philadelphia at one point early in his career, according to his Web site. Legend speaks of his musical formation in the context of gospel singing. "Get Lifted" shows the spectrum of Legend's musical talent. The first half of the album is generally faster, with more of a hip-hop feel. A couple of songs showcase this hip-hop element more than others, particularly "Number One" (featuring Kayne West) and "I Can Change" (featuring Snoop Dogg). Although those songs also impressive on the chill, feel-good jam "Spar of the Moment," the Timbaland-produced "The Politz" and the old school "Virgo" with Nas and Doug E. Fresh.

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Oscar diversity at a peak

Associated Press

Black comedian and Oscar best-to-be Chris Rock confessed recently that he had seldom watched the Academy Awards, except in 2002 when he tuned in to see the historic triumphs of Halle Berry and Denzel Washington.

"Come on, it's a fashion show," he said half-joking in a magazine interview. "What straight black man sits there and watches the Oscars? Show me one. And they don't recognize comedy and you don't see a lot of black people nominated, so why should I watch it?"

This year he is not only watching but hosting a show in which a record number of minority performers are vying for top honors.

Four blacks — Jamie Foxx, Don Cheadle, Morgan Freeman and Sophie Okonedo — and a Latina actress, Colombian native Catalina Sandino Moreno, have amassed a total of six nominations.

And "Ray," the biographical drama about soul music legend Ray Charles, is considered a favorite to win the best actor prize for his title role in "Ray," playing the legendary musician who overcame blindness, bigotry and drug addiction to become one of America's most beloved entertainers.

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Foxx in good company

If he wins, Foxx would be only the third black named best lead actor, following Sidney Poitier for the 1963 film "Lilies of the Field" and Washington three years ago for "Training Day.

Foxx also picked up a nomination as best supporting actor for playing a kidnaped taxi driver opposite Tom Cruise as a contract killer in "Collateral.

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NBA

Sixers acquire Kings’ Webber in six-man deal

Thomas, Williamson, Skinner dealt from Philadelphia to Sacramento

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — The Sacramento Kings traded Chris Webber to the Philadelphia 76ers late Wednesday night, parting ways with the cornerstone of their renascent franchise in a stunning six-player deal that dramatically reshaped both teams.

The Sixers acquired Webber, one of the NBA’s elite power forwards and a five-time All-Star, along with reserve forwards Matt Barnes and Michael Bradley. Philadelphia sent forward Brian Skinner, Kenny Thomas and Corliss Williamson to the Kings, who finally divested themselves of Webber’s mammoth contract after years of rumour.

Geoff Petrie, the Kings’ president of basketball operations, acquired Webber from Washington before the 1999 season in a deal that transformed Sacramento into an interesting, contending team.

The Kings then re-signed Webber to a seven-year deal worth approximately $127 million in 2001. Webber has played exceptionally well in recent weeks, averaging 21.3 points, 9.7 rebounds and 5.5 assists per game. But his injury history is long and there were concerns Webber was before undergoing serious knee surgery following the 2003 playoffs.

“The message that we’re sending is that when we got a player who’s averaging 21 and 10 to go along with our young players,” Philadelphia president Billy King said at a news conference late Wednesday night.

After scoring 30 points in the Kings’ 114-104 win over Atlanta on Tuesday night, Webber acknowledged the annual uncertainty over his future with a shrug — but the forward, who has three years and $29 million left on his contract, clearly didn’t believe he was about to be traded.

“It’s something I live with,” Webber said. “It gets very old, very old. It’s not a situation that you’re rushing home about.” If I believe everything I read and everything I hear, I’d say there’s an annual rumor mill going.

Though both Webber and Peja Stojakovic denied rumors of a rift between Sacramento’s stars, Stojakovic demanded a trade from the Kings last season for unpaid reasons.

The Kings had no intention of granting his request, but Stojakovic — the NBA’s second-leading scorer last season — hasn’t been the same player since Webber returned from surgery last season, looking tentative and deferential to Webber on offense.

Webber was looking to make a deal to improve the Sixers’ frontcourt as they make their playoff push. The Sixers are 27-27 and just a half-game behind Boston for first place in the Atlantic Division, and Webber has been a cornerstone in his absence — but his anemic shooting in his return was nothing compared to what he left.

“We’re looking for an opportunity,” Webber said. “It’s a great opportunity. I want greatness.”

The Kings were interested in Webber because he is a high-caliber inside player, and they have been lacking that since Webber’s knee surgery following the 2003 playoffs.

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The Kings were in Dallas on Wednesday night, leading the Mavericks 13-10 before Dallas rallied for a 16-8 second half. They hit 11 free throws in the final 8 minutes.

“We’re an inexperienced team, and all of the guys are playing well,” Webber said. “We’re playing as a team. It’s great to be playing with all these young guys.”

The Kings acquired Cuttino Mobley from Orlando for Doug Christie last month.

The Kings were in Dallas on Wednesday night preparing for a game against the Mavericks — the first in a six-game road trip, their longest of the season.

King insisted he wouldn’t part with any of his prized assets of players to make a deal and he didn’t have to.

Thomas had fallen out of favor with first-year Sixers coach Jim B’rinen, while Skinner was a free-agent bust. Webber was a valuable sixth man off the bench, but none of them have the pedigree of Webber.

Williamson, a first-round draft pick by the Kings in 1995, played five years in Sacramento before being traded to Toronto for Christie following the 1999-2000 season.

The Six-Man of the Year in 2001-02 with the Pistons, Williamson has a career average of 11.8 points and 4.1 rebounds per game. He is averaging 10.8 points and 3.7 rebounds in 22 minutes per game this season.

Thomas, in his sixth year in the league, is averaging 11.3 points and 6.6 rebounds this season after averaging a double-double — 13.6 points and 10.1 rebounds — last season for the Sixers.

Kings, who will be playing for his fifth team in seven seasons, missed about a month earlier this season with an injured left knee and is averaging only 7.9 points and 2.6 rebounds.

Barnes, a Sacramento native, has been a seldom-used reserve for the Kings this season, though he took Peja Stojakovic’s spot in the starting lineup recently. Bradley wastraditionally earlier in the season.

NCAA BASKETBALL

BC falls at Villanova, suffers second defeat of season

The Associated Press

VILLANOVA, Pa. — Villanova’s fans may have to stop startling the court. After all, wins over ranked teams are suddenly becoming routine for the Wildcats.

Randi Foye scored 23 points and the 23rd-ranked Wildcats survived a nine-minute stretch without a field goal to beat No. 3 Boston College 76-70 on Wednesday night.

The Eagles fans stormed the court like they have for two straight games, but got a player who’s averaging 21 and 10 to go along with our young players,” Philadelphia president Billy King said at a news conference late Wednesday night.

The Eagles — who rallied from halftime deficits to win eight times this season — started their run while Villanova went into a field goal drought that stretched just over 9 minutes.

Steve Kaepping, 1-2 from the floor, ended that streak late in the second half. Jason Foye pulled the Eagles to 62-60 with 2:21 left.

Foye banked a 6-for-a-foot shot, 67-64 lead, ending the long stretch without a field goal.

The Wildcats never lost the lead thanks to 8-of-10 free throw shooting during that span. They were 36-of-41 overall, all from the line.

“They’re very difficult to win a game when the opposing team shoots 41 free throws,” Boston College coach Al Skinner said. “We just didn’t make the plays that were going to tie it and make them feel uncomfortable. We never got over the hump.

No, but they gave the Wildcats a scare.

Foye pulled BC to 67-66 with a jumper, but fouled out on the next possession. He finished with 11 points.

Foye pushed the lead to 73-68 with an arcing baseline jumper that nearly skimmed the shot clock on the way down.

Last month, the Eagles escaped with a 67-66 win.

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Red Sox will receive rings while Yankees visit Fenway

Ex-Cub Sosa begins first spring training with Orioles

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — The Boston Red Sox will ring in the home portion of their schedule by getting their World Series rings at their home opener April 11 before a full house of 35,000 fans — and the New York Yankees.

"I'm sure it's not going to help them hand them out," Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter said to laughter at New York's Yankee Stadium on Wednesday. "But they deserve it. I'm sure they've been looking forward to this for a long time. So let them do it.

Boston became the first major league team to overcome a 3-0 deficit in a post-season series, doing it against their biggest rival in the AL championship series last October. The Yankees, of course, were the first to win the World Series trophy and the Red Sox then swept St. Louis in the World Series.

"This is the kind of quality problem I hope we're going to be able to have with some frequency," Red Sox president Larry Lucchino said, "not around at spring training and decide just when, oh when, do we give out the World Series championship rings.

Yankees owner George Steinbrenner had no complaints about the ceremony being held while New York is at Fenway Park.

"The Red Sox won their rings. They earned them," he said in a statement. "They have the right to pick the date at which they present them, and it's not a personal affront to our players.

"To accommodate fans who didn't get tickets to opening day, the rings will be displayed at a welcome-home dinner attended by players that same night and at a display on the Fenway Park field along with the World Series trophy and the ball Doug Mientkiewicz caught for the last out of the Series.

"Even though the fans are not getting it, they have to feel like they're receiving one because they all deserve it," David Ortiz said. "They supported us a lot through the years.

In Fort Lauderdale, Fla., as a way of introducing himself to his new teammates, Sammy Sosa slammed about two dozen baseballs far over the center-field wall during his first work-out with the Baltimore Orioles.

Before he was done, nearly half the squad interrupted their drills to watch the show.

"Sammy, we're going to run out of balls!" joked outfielder Larry Bigbie, who watched in awe as one shot after another soared onto an airfield behind the practice field.

"They'll be parking the planes in the hangars from now on," Bigbie said later.

The Chicago Cubs were relieved to get rid of Sosa after his troubled 2004 season, and the Orioles are delighted to have him. During his stay in Chicago, Sosa battled with Mark McGwire in a memorable home run duel in 1998, went to the All-Star game seven times and was the 1998 NL MVP. But he contends that the corked bat he used caused such a controversy, he would have never done it. My manager told me I had a day off. But what can I say?"

In Lakeland, Fla., Ugueth Urbina said he planned to report to spring training, even if his kidnapped mother still lives on the airfield behind the practice field.

"I feel like I'm 18 years old," the Detroit Tigers reliever said, speaking publicly about the ordeal for the first time.

Villarreal, 54, was rescued by Venezuelan police during an 8-hour raid that left two of her abductors dead, two captured and seven others as fugitives. Police described the kidnappers as Venezuelan and Colombian drug-smugglers.

She was held for 5 months, 18 days in a camp that police called a drug-traffickers' hideout in Venezuela's southern mountains.

Urbina and his two brothers, Ulmer and Ulises, were at a loss.

"There wasn't much we could do. We'd never been in this situation, and we didn't know where she was," Urbina said. "Where can you go to try to find her? She could be anywhere. It's hard."

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*Wie, Creamer leading rejuvenation of LPGA*

Eight teens competing in this weekend's SBS Open in Hawaii

Associated Press

KAHUUKI, Hawaii — Michelle Wie and Paula Creamer quickly shook down any notion of a rivalry brewing between the teen stars.

"We don't talk about that kind of thing," said Creamer, who will make her first LPGA Tour start as a pro Thursday at the season-opening SBS Open. "We talk more about girl stuff, I guess.

The LPGA is banking otherwise, toutng the talented youngster as the future faces of women's golf.

The pair was featured in an LPGA press release this week entitled "Rivalry in the making," and were the only golfers with scheduled news conferences Wednesday.

Creamer and Wie are among eight teens playing in the 54-hole event. Others include the 18-year-old twins Aree and Narue Song.

"I really don't think about rivals," said the 15-year-old Wie, who is making her 18th LPGA Tour start. "I just think about my own game and what I have to do better.

"It's just me on the golf course," she said. "It's always going to be me fighting against myself."

Creamer, 18, agreed.

"Right now, I'm trying to think about this golf tournament," she said. "There are 132 people in the field. She is just one of those other players out in that field."

The inaugural SBS Open marks the return of the LPGA Tour to Wie's home state. The last LPGA tournament in Hawaii was the 2002 Takefuji Classic, where Wie became the youngest to qualify for an LPGA Tour event at the age 12.

"It's really nice to play at home," said the soft-spoken 6-foot-1 Wie, who is making her fourth year out here. "It's pretty cool how time has passed."

The $1 million SBS Open is being held at the Turtle Bay Resort's 6,563-yard, oceanside Palmer Course marks the first of eight LPGA Tour events Wie will enter this season.

But she has already faced some heavy competition.

**NC STATE BASKETBALL**

Temple coach Chaney suspended one game

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Temple coach John Chaney suspended himself Wednesday for one game and apologized for putting a player in against Saint Joseph's a day earlier for the sole purpose of rough play and quick fouls.

Chaney offered the self-imposed one-game suspension after meeting with Temple president David Adamany and athletic director Bill Bradshaw. He will be replaced on the bench by assistant Dan Leibovitz for Thursday's game against Massachusetts.

"I would like to apologize to Saint Joseph's University, its fans, student-athletes and head coach John Calipari for my reprehensible behavior during Tuesday night's game," Chaney said in a statement. "I spoke with Coach Martelli today to voice my apology to him and his team."

Upset by what he thought were illegal screens by Saint Joseph's that were not being called by the officials, Chaney turned to seldom-used 9-foot-6, 250-pound Nehemiah Ingram to "send a message."

Ingram started throwing his arms around and tossing elbows, once connecting hard to the chin of Hawks center Dwanye Jones, and had a hard foul on John Bryant that left him sprawled on the court for several minutes.

Ingram fouled out in four minutes.

"I'm sending a message," Chaney said after the game. "I'm going to send in what we used to do years ago, send in the goon."

Atlantic 10 commissioner Linda Bruno supported the decision.

"Coach Chaney's behavior was uncharacteristic of the way he runs his program and I expect that a similar occurrence will not happen again," Bruno said.

Chaney's only other career suspension came in 1994. Temple suspended the Hall of Famer for one game after he publicly threatened to kill then-Massachusetts coach John Calipari.

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Cowboys reunite ex-Patriots Bledsoe, Parcells

QB will share Dallas backfield with ex-NFL standout Julius Jones

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Drew Bledsoe set passing records and reached the Super Bowl as a young quarterback playing for Bill Parcells in New England.

Nearly a decade later, the two will try doing it again with the Dallas Cowboys.

Bledsoe signed a three-year contract Wednesday, one day after he was released by the Buffalo Bills. Financial terms were not immediately available.

Bledsoe knows last week that he was going to be cut and within days decided he wanted to remain with Parcells. Once the Bills filed the paperwork, the Cowboys quickly showed they also were eager to strike a deal.

Parcells called Bledsoe — and told him he’d be the starter — while team vice president Stephen Jones called the quarterback’s agent, David Dunn.

Owner Jerry Jones then spoke with Bledsoe and Dunn, and the Cowboys quickly showed they were eager to strike a deal.

Bledsoe’s attraction to Dallas was very hopeful that this would be the opportunity for me,” said Bledsoe, already wanting to be cut and with.

The Associated Press

Bledsoe’s main emotion is excitement over his new teammates.

He knows Terry Glenn from their six seasons together in New England and Parcells says he’ll love tight end Jason Witten.

Bledsoe also is looking forward to playing with running back Julius Jones and receiver Keyshawn Johnson.

“I can’t wait to go sit down with Bill, sit down with (pass game coordinator) Sean Payton, and start talking about what we’re going to do,” Bledsoe said.

While the 33-year-old Bledsoe is eight years younger than predecessor Vinny Testaavende, he is not the mean. Drew Henson must work even longer if he’s to become Dallas’ quarterback of the future.

Last spring, the Cowboys out

maneuvered many teams to land Henson.

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Agent: Moss going west to Oakland

MINNEAPOLIS — Randy Moss is heading for Oakland, the receiver's agent said Wednesday.

Dante DiTrapano, Moss' agent, told the Associated Press that the Minnesota Vikings and the Raiders had "come to an agreement on Randy playing for Oakland next year."

"Neither the Vikings nor the Raiders would confirm the deal, which was first reported by the St. Paul Pioneer Press on its Web site.

"We have had discussions with the Oakland Raiders, but there's nothing to announce," Bob Brzezinski, the Vikings' vice president of football operations, told the Associated Press.

DiTrapano said Moss was "very pleased to be going to Oakland and looking forward to playing with a team that's promised they're going to throw the ball deep a whole lot to him and having a chance at winning the Super Bowl.""

On Tuesday, the Raiders re-signed Jerry Porter, their star wide receiver to a contract worth $20 million over five years. Porter could have become a free agent on March 2.

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MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wisconsin at Michigan State, 7 p.m., ESPN
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Basketball facts:

- The Miami Heat's next game will be at home against the Memphis Grizzlies.
- The Minnesota Vikings and the Oakland Raiders are discussing a potential trade for Randy Moss.
- The Associated Press reported that Moss' agent, Dante DiTrapano, said the deal had been confirmed.
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House committee advances plan for new Colts stadium

INDIANAPOLIS — A proposal to fund a new stadium for the Indianapolis Colts through a mix that includes hotel and gambling tax increases and a surcharge on game tickets advanced out of an Indiana House committee Wednesday.

The move keeps the legislation alive even though Indianapolis Mayor Bart Peterson and others had concerns about the details of the plan.

The House Ways and Means Committee voted 17-5 to advance the bill, which would provide $44 million a year to replace the RCA Dome with a 63,000-seat, retractable-roof stadium that has been estimated to cost between $550 million and $700 million.

Legislators and Peterson said it was important for the bill to be out of committee to meet a Tuesday deadline for legislation to be passed by the House. "It keeps the issue alive," Peterson said, adding that the specifics of the bill are not important at this stage.

Dolphins release Fiedler

MIAMI — The Miami Dolphins released quarterback Jay Fiedler on Wednesday, ending his five-year run as the much-maligned successor to Dan Marino.

The move comes after Fiedler struggled in 2004 and was benched for a portion of the season. He finished 7-13-3 with 13 interceptions and four touchdowns.

Fiedler spent much of the 2004 season on the injured list with a herniated disc. Fiedler was due a $2 million roster bonus in March.

The Dolphins also released safeties Arturo Freeman and Shawn Wooden, and defensive end Jay Williams.

In five seasons with the Dolphins, Fiedler was 36-23 as a starter, throwing for 11,040 yards, 66 touchdowns and 63 interceptions. He ranks as the franchise's third-leading passer behind Marino and Bob Griese.

Shaq out until after Heat return to Miami

INDIANAPOLIS — Shaquille O'Neal won't play before doctors examine his injured knee in Miami on Thursday.

Heat coach Stan Van Gundy said the team trainer doesn't think O'Neal's injury is serious.

Miami's next game will be at home Saturday against Orlando. Van Gundy wouldn't speculate how long O'Neal might be out.

O'Neal left the game against Chicago on Tuesday night after landing awkwardly early in the first quarter. He fell on his left foot near the basket and stayed on the floor for several minutes holding his knee.
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in each of the last three years. With a strong showing in the upcoming NCAA finals he is poised to join an elite group of only 21 Notre Dame student athletes who have received that honor four times, a club that includes eight fencers.

Because of his previous experience in the National Finals, Sobieraj feels more prepared for this year's championships.

"I think [the previous experience] helps, actually," he said. "I had troubles the first time, but now I can know what to expect."

Sobieraj also has many international accolades under his belt. He is a defending champion of the North American Cup, and he currently holds the number one spot in the national team in his native Poland, having served as a part of the squad that placed 4th in the 2003 World Championships and is being considered to be part of the country's Olympic contingent in 2008.

"He's a high class athlete. He's a top international fencer, and, naturally, by his record he's a star," Irish head coach Janusz Bednarski said.

Because of his success and experience, Sobieraj is seen as both a leader and a go-to guy in pressure situations.

"He is the person who creates the situations for everybody. Because of his abilities, they put him in a hard position, force him to be observant. He is, by his class, is used by others to [shoulder lots of the responsibility]," Bednarski said. However, Sobieraj does not back away from his roles as captain.

"I think I can provide some help, some advice to the guys on the team, especially technical things," he said. "I can show people how to win and how to prepare for bouts."

The importance of preparation is something Sobieraj began to realize early in his fencing career.

"At first [when I started fencing], I didn't realize that psychology played as big a role in fencing [as it does]. You have to be mentally prepared to figure out opponents, and they call it physical chess," he said.

Sobieraj first began playing this brand of chess at the age of 12 in his hometown of Krakow, Poland, following his mother's suggestion.

"My mom was the chief of the fencing club in Krakow and she told me there was a fencing club in my hometown and that I should try it. I tried it, and I stayed for the next 10 years," he said.

Over the course of those years, Sobieraj became so successful in part because he began mastering the mental aspects of the sport. Bednarski said he is impressed with his fencer's competitive RJ.

"He's smart in bouting, using his intellectual side to read opponents by quick analyzing," he said.

This intellectual side is another facet of himself that Sobieraj has cultivated. He has an appreciation of literature, primarily that of Europe and Poland, and is especially fond of the work of writers such as Dostoevsky and Joseph Heller.

"I read a lot and enjoy reading," Sobieraj said.

Beyond its prestigious fencing program, Notre Dame attracted Sobieraj because of its academic reputation.

"I have gotten a very good education, and I think I have learned a lot. That's the reason I came here, and hopefully, it will pay off and be useful in the future," he said.

In the course of their time together, Bednarski has seen Sobieraj's academic advance-
Men's Swimming

Kegelman's career is one big broken record

Sophomore already holds numerous team and conference marks

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

If winning races is an art form, then call Tim Kegelman the Michelangelo of swimming. "He knows how to win," coach Tim Welsh said. "Not everyone knows how to win, or else everyone would be winning every race. You've got to give everything you've got to the race at hand. That's what he does, that's why he wins." At last weekend's Big East Championships, Kegelman added a number of wins to his already impressive resume, including titles in the 200 individual medley (1 minute, 49.62 seconds), the 400 freestyle relay (3:16.93) and the 100-yard butterfly -- an event in which he also holds the Big East Championship record with 48.06.

But the accolades didn't end there. The sophomore also set school records in the 200- and 400-yard medley relays. Teamed with Junior Doug Baum and senior Frank Krakowski, Kegelman's relays clocked 1:30.12 and 3:16.93 respectively. Later on, Kegelman combined efforts with Randolph, Krakowski and sophomore Louis Cavadini to set school records in the 200-yard free relay (1:20.64) and 400 free relay (3:00.02).

Kegelman was also named all-Big East in the 200-yard medley relay, 200-yard individual medley, 100-yard fly, 400-yard medley relay and 400-yard free relay. Additionally, invitations to the NCAA championships in the 200-yard individual medley, 100-yard fly, 400 medley relay, and 200 free relay are pending. But despite so many awards to his name, the unassuming Kegelman chose to focus on the team's success. "It's exciting to be part of a team that has so much talent," Kegelman said. "I think all of the records we broke and the awards we got were just a sign of how much depth the team has. We were following through with the work we have done all season."

Kegelman's performance was equally characteristic of his performances and hard work this season, Welsh said. "He is always a vital part of the team's success," Welsh said.

"His swims in the Big East were tributes to his gaminess and competitiveness," Welsh said. The meet against then-No. 17 Pittsburgh, last year's Big East champion, was also testament to Kegelman's capabilities and potential as a competitor.

Touching the wall .04 seconds ahead of Pittsburgh Darryl Washington in the meet's final event, Kegelman clinched the win for the Irish. As anchor of the 400-yard freestyle relay, which consisted of Krakowski, Cavadini and sophomore Nick Fanslau, Kegelman secured the first place finish with a time of 3:04.13.

The win in the 400-yard freestyle relay was just the icing on the cake. Earlier in the meet, Kegelman claimed a win in the 100-yard butterfly (49.17) and placed second in the 200-yard fly.

With the toughest dual meets of the season and the Big East Championships behind him, Kegelman is looking forward to the NCAA's. Welsh said he is confident Kegelman will make the team proud in the competition.

"He has the heart of a champion," Welsh said. "And I think he'll rise to the occasion if given the opportunity. He's a great representative of the team and of Notre Dame."
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Notre Dame’s scheduling in the near future and the necessary work to accomplish such a task, the “neutral” game would not fit into the mix until at least around 2009, Heisler said.

Until the legislation is reviewed, Notre Dame athletic officials will look into playing the “neutral” game in the Southwest or Southeast regions of the country, areas in which the school and team receive less exposure.

“The prospect of these neutral site games – if you call them that – were appealing for a couple of reasons,” Heisler said. “One, we’d be able to go to some places in the country that weren’t routinely being seen by our football program, which could be a positive in terms of recruiting.

“Also, just the number of alumni and fans in some of these areas where Notre Dame doesn’t go every season, or even every few seasons, would have a chance to see the team.”

Heisler mentioned the states of Texas and Florida as possible locations where the Irish could find a suitable venue for the game. Notre Dame athletic officials present a general plan at this point because they must do significant amount of work to determine the feasibility of their desires.

“We haven’t really done that much,” Heisler said. “At this point, we really need to create more of a business model for ourselves. We want to make sure that we’re clear in terms of how we can set these up and what the expectations would be.”

Notre Dame most likely would want to control the television rights — meaning the game would go to NBC — and the “bulk” of the ticket sales should the game happen, Heisler said.

“Our feeling right now is we would expect these [games] to not be that much different than a home game,” Heisler said. “We’d do it somewhere else.”

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on both the East and West sounds.

Legendary coach Morgan Wootten, who won more than 1,200 games at DeMatha High School in Hyattsville, Md., is the chairman of the selection committee, while Wootten served as an advisor. Current Irish men’s basketball coach Mike Brey played for Wootten and later became an assistant coach at his alma mater.

Ryan Ayers and Kyle McAlarney, two other high school seniors joining Brey’s team in the fall, were named to the 100 finalists for the McDonald’s boys’ team. Chandra Smith, the other early signee for Irish women’s basketball coach Muffet McGraw’s class of 2009, was also a finalist.

On the girls’ side Duke, North Carolina, Kansas each have three signees on the team while Oklahoma State, Washington each have two. Schach will join current Irish players Courtney LaVere and Crystal Erwin as McDonald’s All-Americans.

Zeller is the first Notre Dame recruit to be named to the McDonald’s team since Torin Francis played in the game in 2002. Chris Thomas, the only Mr. Indiana in basketball to attend Notre Dame, participated in the game in 2001.

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but this year, she said she has handled her aches and pains the best.

“I feel that I have to realize that I’m going to be injury prone and chronic pain, and I have to play through that,” Borton said. “I think I’m stronger, maybe healthier. I still have the pains, but I’m used to it.”

Bates, the only other senior on the Irish roster, said her teammate has taken the pressure off of her this season.

“Ts really done a lot,” the All-American said. “I’m only averaging about 6.5 rebounds this year because she’s getting a lot more. She’s been more of a presence down on the block, she’s been scoring and she’s been consistent this whole year.”

Borton, whose 55.7 field goal percentage would lead the Big East if she had made enough shots to qualify, leads the Irish by example, as she is one of the less outspoken leaders on this Notre Dame team.

“I think most of the time Megan [Duffy] is more of the vocal leader, just because she’s the point guard, she’s a natural leader,” Borton said. “I’m more of a quiet leader, I believe, as a post, so hopefully they follow my lead just by my actions and not by my speech.”

And after averaging just 5.8 points and four rebounds per game last year, the senior is having the most fun since she made the choice between Connecticut and Notre Dame four years ago.

“I think it’s been the best season so far in my four years,” Borton said. “I really enjoy all these teammates, and I think we have a great atmosphere here with the team chemistry.”

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Way to turn 21 Katie... Sooner than Immediately!
Proposal to extend the college football season opens doors for Irish

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Next season’s Notre Dame football schedule is all but set in stone. Though the Irish cannot make drastic scheduling changes for the near future, program officials are planning to add one home game per season and play a possible “neutral-site” game should the NCAA vote in April to extend the college football season to 12 games.

Regardless of the NCAA’s decision, the Irish athletic department wants to add an extra game at Notre Dame Stadium.

“We’re trying to get to the point where we would be able to play seven home games routinely in South Bend,” Senior Associate Athletic Director John Heisler said. “I think if you look at some of the other major Division-I programs, whether it’s Ohio State or Oklahoma, they may not be doing it every year, but they’re certainly trying to do it on a fairly regular basis.

Pending the result of April’s meeting, the Irish also would like to investigate the possibility of playing one game each season at a neutral venue that would give the team and the University more exposure, Heisler said.

Heisler, athletic director Kevin White and others will be working until April to prepare a researched proposal on plans for structuring Notre Dame’s schedules to seven home games, four road games and one “neutral-site” game should the NCAA approve the increase to 12-game seasons, Heisler said.

The legislation, which will be sponsored by the Big East and Big Twelve conferences, would take effect beginning in 2006. Due to

ND Women’s Basketball

Borton gives Irish experienced leadership

One of two seniors, starting center leads team by example

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
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Teresa Borton had a choice in 2001 — play for defending champion Notre Dame or play for the team who had won it all the year before, the Connecticut Huskies.

Borton chose Notre Dame, and since she has been with the Irish, the team has played seven games against Connecticut, splitting the season series with the Huskies the past two years.

“It’s been pretty exciting every time we get to play them,” Borton said. “Sometimes we win, and sometimes they win. That shows that it was a really competitive choice because both teams are great basketball programs, but I think we have much better academics.”

In her final year in an Irish uniform, Borton has emerged as one of the team’s most consistent performers. The 6-foot-3 center is averaging a solid 8.8 points per game, third on the team behind only All-American Jacqueline Batteast (17.7 points per game) and point guard Morgan Duffy (11.7 points per game). Borton is also second on the team in rebounding with 5.9 per game, behind Batteast’s 6.6. She is also fourth in the Big East with 1.59 blocks per game.

But Borton, who will play her last home game at the Joyce Center Saturday afternoon, doesn’t see herself as a star on this Notre Dame team.

“I consider myself a role player,” Borton said. “I do little things. I’m not the star player, but that’s all right. I don’t like that role. Getting a win — that makes me happy.”

Borton, who was highly touted for the top recruiting class, entered the program as a top talent that makes them role models, but the contribution is part of the McDonald’s All-American Game... as a young athlete, there’s just no better feeling,” chairman of the game and legendary coach John Wooden said in the release.

“McDonald’s All American players are leaders on and off the court. It’s just not athletic talent that makes them role models, but the contributions of a team charted by the McDonald’s All American experience and exposure, wooden said.

ND Basketball

McDonald’s All-Americans named

Two ND signees are chosen for March 30 game at the JACC

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

Two Notre Dame basketball signees will play on the Joyce Center court months before donning an Irish uniform.

Lindsay Schrader and Luke Zeller were named to the 2005 McDonald’s All-American high school basketball teams, according to a Wednesday afternoon press release.

Both games are set for March 30.

Any athlete would be honored to simply get nominated, but to get selected for the McDonald’s All American Game... as a young athlete, there’s just no better feeling,” chairman of the game and legendary coach John Wooden said in the release.

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Golf

Fencing

Dominant epeeist looks to cap career

By ERIC RETTER
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It’s lonely at the top. Michal Sobieraj knows, and he would like to have that solitude again this spring after the NCAA finals.

Sobieraj, the senior epeeist and elder statesman of the squad, is ready to cap off his already impressive career on a high note.

“It would be nice to get an individual ring,” he said.

An NCAA individual title would be the final piece in the growing trophy case of his collegiate career. In addition to winning a national team championship as part of the 2002-2003 team and placing 3rd and 2nd in the NCAA the last two seasons, Sobieraj has been named an All-American.

Men’s Swimming

Kegelmann mounts early success

Sophomore Irish swimmer wins individual awards while setting records along the way

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