Faculty Senate

Committee discusses ideal qualities for new provost

By TERESA FRAILISH  
News Writer

Provost search committee members are seeking suggestions from professors about the kind of administrator needed to replace outgoing Provost Nathan Hatch as Notre Dame's chief academic officer at Faculty Senate's Tuesday meeting.

Search committee chair and University President-elect Father John Jenkins told senators he had begun collecting names of potential candidates and would share a list with the full search committee soon.

The search for a new provost was prompted by Hatch's decision to depart Notre Dame July 1 to assume the position of president of Wake Forest.

Student affairs committee chair Jay Brandenberger suggested the University might strongly consider female candidates, because much of the University's academic leadership is male, he said.

"Most of the deans are male and the president is male — maybe there's a bit of extra energy to look for a female candidate," he said.

Faculty comments on a new provost varied widely from remarks on candidates' academic backgrounds to ministerial qualities, with several senators suggesting that the new provost possess a background in the sciences. Hatch served as a history professor at Notre Dame before becoming provost.

Other senators said the new provost was needed to help the University advance Notre Dame's academic goals as well as remain true to its history and identity, particularly as a Catholic institution.

"Whoever we hire as a new provost needs to have the ability to articulate the role, the mission, the place of a university like Notre Dame in our society," said academic affairs committee chair John Abdou.

Faculty also cited the ability to bring two Notre Dame students to the event. The 100 winning numbers will be posted by 8 a.m. Thursday outside the SUB Center.

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The tickets will be distributed to Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students today from 3 p.m. to 8 through a lottery system, SUB said in a press release.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Secret lovers

So while sitting down to write this column, a strange song began to play on my playlist. I started jamming to Atlantic Starr’s “Secret Lovers.” I listened to the lyrics and wondered about secret lovers. What does it really mean? photographer

And don’t want to get into that. dirty connotation that secret lovers mean someone is cheating on someone else. No no, that’s not what I’m going for. No one is cheating on anyone. Well, at least we hope not. Right?

Anyway, secret lovers are those who don’t want anyone to know what is going on. Sure there are a few people who have to know some things. People like your roommates. It’s hard to sneak around without them finding out. You live with them, they pretty much have to know everything about you.

So besides roommates, no one knows what is going on with two people. Maybe your parents, because they like to know that kind of stuff too. But they are a good lead, no one will know. We can all hope.

So why be secret lovers? You don’t want people to know because you might face opposition from different forces. Friends of your secret love may not like you and wouldn’t approve. The ex-es may find out and come looking for you, and it won’t be to congratulate you.

Others may feel only they are good enough for your secret love, so if they find out anything you hurt that friendship. Many factors go into it.

The positives of it, people won’t know and you won’t lose friends. In the long run, people can become accustomed to your relationship and then you can spring it on them.

The exchange: Yeah, we are dating. What? How long? Oh, for about 5 months now. No way! See, it becomes easy. You also don’t have to worry about what other people will say. Besides, who really wants to hear what this person should or should not be doing. Right? Their business is just that, their business.

A few negatives too: certain situations can arouse suspicions. Parties, outings or anything that involves beverages and the two secret lovers together. Not a good mix, and it may be necessary to come with a chaperone. Someone who knows something but not the whole thing to make sure nothing happens between the two lovers.

So secret lovers may be good or not, but it is up to you to decide if you want it or not.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: IF YOU COULD STUDY ABROAD ANYWHERE, WHERE WOULD IT BE AND WHY?

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 "Jamaica, have class right on the beach, booyakashoo!"

 "Egypt, to play with the mummies."

 "Hong Kong, the most romantic city in the world."

 "I hear Iraq is nice this time of year.

 "France, just because it seems right."

 "I hear Pasquesi’s East is nice this time of year."

OFFBEAT

Enormous lobster donated to Pittsburgh Zoo

PITTSBURGH — He could be older than Warner Bros. studio, General Motors, the Boy Scouts and the states of Arizona and New Mexico. He could have survived two world wars and Prohibition. He could have been dinner.

He’s Bubba, a 22-pound levithan of a lobster pulled from the waters of Nantucket, Mass., and shipped to a Pittsburgh fish market. The lobster has been kept in a tank near a fish counter in Wholey’s Market since Thursday while owner Bob Wholey tried to figure out what to do with it.

“It is overwhelming,” Wholey said. “If you see it, you will never forget it. Customers are just in awe.” On Tuesday, Wholey gave the lobster to the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium, which will send him to an aquarium at a Ripley’s Believe it or Not museum.

Teachers refuse to assign homework

BERKELEY, Calif. — Students in the Berkeley school district aren’t getting written homework assignments because teachers are refusing to grade work on their own time after two years without a pay raise.

So far, a black history event had to be canceled and parents had to staff a middle-school science fair because teachers are sticking strictly to the hours they’re contracted to work.

“Teachers do a lot with a little. All of a sudden, a lot of things that they do are just gone. It’s demoralizing,” said Rachel Baker, who has a son in kindergarten.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

ProHealth will conduct blood pressure and body fat screenings from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today in the Grace Hall lobby. The wellness assessments are available to all ND faculty and staff. No appointment is necessary.

There will be a panel discussion today titled “National Debate on the Death Penalty” at 4:15 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center auditorium. The panel will feature former Illinois death row inmate Madison Hobley and Bill Pelle, president of the National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

French poet Emmanuel Mousse will read excerpts from “Last News of Mr. Nobody” tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

Students in the department of film, television and theatre will perform a production of “The Laramie Project” this evening at 7:30 p.m. in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts. The performance is part of the Spring ArtsFest and has a theme of tolerance and reconciliation.

The Higgins Labor Research Center is sponsoring a viewing of the film “On the Waterfront” Thursday at 4 p.m. in C-100 Hesburgh Center.

The women’s lacrosse team faces Northwestern Thursday at 4:30 p.m. at the Moose Krause Field.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to richard.friedman@nd.edu.
Students confirm abroad plans

By JOHN EVERETT
News Writer

Nearly all of the Notre Dame sophomores recently accepted to one of the numerous study abroad programs offered by the University seized their opportunity and confirmed they will enroll to study internationally next year. Although the International Study office did not have exact figures, they estimated only two or three accepted applicants per program did not confirm.

Those who were accepted into programs needed to confirm their intention of going abroad last week.

Students who were not accepted to one of the Notre Dame programs were encouraged to seek other options to spend a semester abroad.

Thomas Bogenschutz, director of international study programs, said his department advises Notre Dame students to apply to one of the Saint Mary's study abroad programs, though the College does not have destinations in all of the countries that Notre Dame does.

Further, in those countries in which both institutions do maintain programs, they are usually in different cities. For instance, the Notre Dame Ireland program is based in Dublin whereas the Saint Mary's program is in Maynooth.

Sophomore Michael French is currently in such a situation. French applied for the Notre Dame program in Toledo, Spain, but was denied. He is now trying to find other ways to get to Spain, but is having trouble with the technicalities.

"To go through another university's program you need a leave of absence, and they only have 10 leaves for the whole school," French said. "Plus, if someone wants to go for a full year, that takes up two leaves of absence. There just aren't enough."

He also said that he was trying to acquire a leave of absence as opposed to going through Saint Mary's because he would rather go to Toledo than to Seville, where the women's college maintains its program. If he cannot get a leave of absence, however, he will apply to travel abroad through Saint Mary's.

Bogenschutz had further advice for those students who aren't so specific on where they wish to study.

"There are also still in Tokyo; you don't even have to speak Japanese and you can spend a semester in Tokyo," Bogenschutz said.

But Tokyo is just one example. Many programs have extended their application deadlines for the 2006 spring semester abroad to May 1. These include Athens, Beijing, Berlin, Cairo, Monterrey and Puebla, Mexico, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago, Chile and Shanghai.

Bogenschutz said the extension was not at all unusual. "We do it every year," he said. Bogenschutz did not foresee this extension having any drastic effects on either the students who have already been accepted or those who will be accepted sometime after May 1.

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Mendoza to receive new program director

Harvey to serve as head of MSA Program

Special to the Observer

Thomas J. Harvey has been appointed director of the Master of Science in Administration (MSA) Program in the College of Business. Harvey most recently served as senior vice-president of the member service division at the Alliance for Children and Families in Milwaukee. He also taught in a certificate program on non-profit management for the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay.

"Tom’s experience, network, energy and vision will be a tremendous asset for the MSA Program."

Carolyn Y. Woo
dean

Gillen Dean of the College.

Established in 1954, the MSA program is designed to hold the administrative leadership skills of people working in social service organizations. The program was restructured in 2001 to include a core curriculum of courses on grant writing, development, financial management, marketing, accounting, human resource management, communications, and ethics, all tailored for the not-for-profit sector.

Harvey, who has held a variety of professional and social service positions for 35 years, served as president of Catholic Charities USA from 1982 to 1992. In 2003, the Council on Social Work Education named Harvey one of the 51 leaders in the field of social work during the past 50 years.

Professor to deliver distinguished lecture

Nancy Folbre, professor of economics at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, will deliver the Provost's Distinguished Women’s Lecture at 7 p.m. March 14 in 126 DeBartolo Hall.

Titled "The Great Imaginary Strike of Parents and Other Care Workers: An Economic Scenario," the lecture is free and open to the public.

An internationally recognized scholar in the area of feminist economics and the economics of caring labor, Folbre is president of the International Association for Feminist Economics. She is also a recipient of a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship, a grant from the National Science Foundation, and a post-doctoral fellowship from Yale University. She has been a consultant to the International Labor Office, the World Bank, the Population Council, and the Royal Swedish Academy of Science.

Notre Dame Disability Awareness Month

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Tuesday, 3/15

Sujeet Desai will be playing the violin, clarinet and piano. He graduated from the Berkshire Music Academy and was born with Down syndrome.

7 p.m. Washington Hall, Free Admission

Saturday, 3/19

Come to the Best Buddies Friendship Games and interact with children and adults with special needs.

12 noon-2 p.m. Logan Center Gym

Monday, 3/21

Head Football Coach Charlie Weis, 9 p.m. DeBartolo 102

Coach Weis will be speaking about disability awareness.

Tuesday, 3/29

Students with Disabilities Discussion, 8 p.m. Legends

www.nd.edu/~bbuddies

And Cheerleader Tryouts 2005

Information Meeting March 15 @ 5:30 p.m.

Gym 2 (above Gate 10 of the Joyce Center). All are welcome — come see what cheerleading at Notre Dame is all about....
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director of Theology on Tap, said he has great faith in the pontiff, who has managed to defy predictions of impending death for many years.

"It seems people have been predicting his death for years and years. I heard the pope wasn't going to live through the year back in the 80s," Steele said. "I don't think we can assume he will step down."

And, in Steele's opinion, the pope has no intention of doing so. In fact, Steele believes, the pontiff, who has managed to defy predictions of impending death for many years, continues to hold his position.

"I think he is making a faith statement as far as that God will provide," Steele said. "Perhaps he is making a statement about the dignity of life in the midst of suffering in a particular time when euthanasia is being discussed and made legal in the U.S. and Europe.

"If history is any indication, the pope will likely not resign. He does have the last word to resign, and that was in 1294." Father Robert Dowd, professor of political science, is also convinced that the pope will remain in his position, god willing.

"I would say that the pope will remain as pope until his death. I don't think he intends on resigning," Dowd said. Steele praised the pope for the stability he has brought to a Church that was emerging from great changes after Vatican II.

"There was a sense in the Church that anything could happen. The church had changed enormously and there was a presupposition that that might continue. But instead he has brought us back to the basics," Steele said.

Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, one of the few people allowed to see the pope while he has been hospitalized, announced Monday that the pope has started speaking again and has resumed making decisions regarding the Church, though he still remains hospitalized.

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to foster a strong relationship with Notre Dame's professors as a key characteristic of a new provost.

"They have to communicate well with an increasingly wide constituency," said Senate chair Seth Hardinger. "I think faculty appreciate and accept communication — that goes a long way toward softening the blows of unfavorable decisions."

Jenkins told senators that all search committee deliberations must remain confidential but faculty comments on potential candidates would be used to determine a final choice. The search committee has said previously that it will consider individuals inside and outside of the University and may not name a new provost until at least the fall 2005 semester.

In other Faculty Senate news:

* Brandenberger said he was still searching for additional faculty to serve on the student and faculty committee tasked with developing a mechanism for students to provide information to other students about their courses. The committee, which stemmed from a proposal made by associate provost Dennis Jacobs to senate in November, will remain stalled until at least one additional faculty member comes forward, Brandenberger said.

* The student affairs committee discussed potential revisions to the handling of honor code violations proposed by the Academic Council. Brandenberger said the Council will consider allowing faculty to directly determine penalties in cheating cases rather than forwarding them to departmental honor code committees.

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Fellows
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course includes all my gradu­
ate students. It also pleases me because it increases the visibility of the physics department."

According to the IPP Web site, the United Kingdom-based organization selects fellows based on their "exceptionally important services in the field of physics."

Furdyna, a professor of con­
densed matter physics was acknowledged for his overall work within the field of physics, according to the Notre Dame press release. Furdyna studies new semiconducting com­

and the subsequent analysis of their physical properties.

Bigi and Dobrowolska-Furdyna join the half of one­

percent of APS members — including 15 current Notre Dame physicists — who are elected by the society as fel­

lows. Furdyna also enters a highly­

selective group. According to 105 bylaws listed on the Institute's Web site, the total number of fellows may not exceed 30.

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"Due to the secure nature of the event, the press release said, "the tickets for admission to the event on Friday will be tied to the names on the Notre Dame student identification cards."

Flaherty said the Student Activities Office will call him at around 6 p.m. Tuesday to inform him of the tickets, and SUB immediately sprang into action, drafting a press release and working to "get the information disseminated to stu­

dents through class council e­

mail lists."

"SUB felt this would be an excellent opportunity for Notre Dame students," he said, "and wanted to facilitate the distribu­

tion of tickets for the student body."

Democratic and Republican students alike said they are planning on entering the lottery — or that they would enter, if their spring break plans didn't conflict:

"I think I'd be interested in going to the event, although I'm not fascinated by the topic of Social Security," Fanghorn junior

President Bush pushes his Social Security reform plan Feb. 16 in Portsmouth, N.H. Bush will be in South Bend Friday.

"I'd like to go if I weren't leaving earlier [on Friday]," he said. "I'd like to learn more about how he's trying to imple­

ment his Social Security poli­

cies."

Freshman Sara Snider said she was "definitely interested in lining up for tickets, and that she felt it was a good opportunity for the student body."

"As a student and part of this community, if you're going to go to any event this year, this would be it," she said. "If you have the ability to see the pres­

ident speak, no matter what your political views are, I'd say it's something you should do."

Varga agreed, and said she felt such an event would have an impact on any stu­

dent's life.

"I would think the majority of students would want to go see the president in person," she said. "It might continue to remember throughout your life."

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Drugs threaten Afghan democracy

VIENNA, Austria — Drug trafficking through Afghanistan is a "hidden" and "underestimated" threat to the stability in Afghanistan and hinder development in Iraq as the two countries attempt to emerge from conflict and forge functioning democracies, a key U.N. drug control body warned Wednesday.

The International Narcotics Control Board said drug production in Afghanistan was so widespread that it has become a serious threat to this new democracy, as well as the stability and economic recovery of the country as a whole.

Drug production in Afghanistan reached a record level in 2004, defying efforts to curtail production.

"We are expecting that the international community help Afghanistan ... so that the issue can be corrected before it's too late and Afghanistan doesn't become a narco-state," Harid Ghoshdeh, president of the Vienna-based board, told reporters Tuesday. "Once it becomes a narco-state, the rule of the law, the democracy, everything, will go out of the window."

Chinese suburb leveled in seizure

WUXI, China — For Tang Yulan and his neighbors, China's communist revolution seems to be moving in reverse.

"That once was a very nice house; now look at it," says Tang, a farmer until most of his village of Longxiang, a suburb of the lakeside eastern Chinese city of Wuxi, was reduced to rubble to make way for urban sprawl.

"This land was inherited from our ancestors, generation after generation," said Tang, a robust, soft-spoken 66-year-old. "But they just auctioned it off without even notifying us. The local government isn't obeying the laws or national policy."

NATIONAL NEWS

Bush frustrated with Congress

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Tuesday dismissed criticism that his plan to ease public drunkenness "unfriendly" to religious groups.

"Charitable choice is something I've supported," the president said at the podium. "I thought the idea he first offered soon after he took office to let religious charities spend taxpayer money is a good idea."

In a speech at a Washington hotel, Bush took on what he described as a government culture "unfriendly" to religious groups.

"Charitable choice is something I've supported every year," he said. "I'm glad it's got stuck," Bush said. "There's kind of a consistent pattern there."

Drivers' cell phone use increasing

WASHINGTON — More people than ever are driving under the influence of their cell phones, according to a survey released Tuesday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The survey showed 8 percent of drivers, or 12 million people, were using hand-held or handsfree cell phones during daylight hours last year, a 50 percent increase since 2002 and a 100 percent rise in four years.

LOCAL NEWS

Death row inmate shows remorse

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. — A man facing execution later this month said in a death row interview he has changed since he murdered an Evansville couple and their two-year-old in 1989, and that he no longer wants to be remembered as a "raving maniac."

"I would like people to know I'm rational. I'm not a raving maniac," Donald Ray Wallace told Indianapolis television station WTHR in an interview broadcast Tuesday.

Celebration in the streets of Montevideo, Uruguay, Tuesday was in honor of Tabare Vazquez's inauguration. Vazquez is the country's first socialist leader.

Uruguay

First socialist leader sworn in

President-elect Vazquez promises to help the poor rebound from 2002 depression

Associated Press

MONTEVIDEO — A doctor took office as Uruguay's first socialist president Tuesday, joining the ranks of left-leaning leaders in Latin America, now six in all, governing a majority of the region's people with a cautious pragmatism, backed free-market policies.

In one of his first official acts, Tabare Vazquez restored full diplomatic ties with communist Cuba, more than two years after a diplomatic row divided the countries.

Thousands of Uruguayans, many waving flags and chanting "Uruguay!" filled Montevideo's streets for the inauguration of Vazquez, a cancer specialist whose swearing-in ended more than 170 years of rule by two moderate parties.

Vazquez, elected Oct. 31 to replace Jorge Batlle, is part of a reinvigorated, left-of-center movement in Latin America whose leaders have come to power amid economic turmoil. He took the oath of office for five-year term with many of South America's new generation of left-leaning leaders looking on.

"I have not come alone," Vazquez said at the packed ceremony at Congress. "I take office as president of the republic with the support of hundreds of thousands of compatriots who expressed their democratic wishes last Oct. 31 for a better country for all Uruguayans."

Brazil's Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, Argentina's Nestor Kirchner and Mexico's Vicente Fox all looked on as the crowd cheered.

Vazquez climbed into an antique car to leave the ceremony, then jumped onto the back of a pickup truck, blowing kisses to a crowd of thousands who turned out for a street festival.

Confetti flew and occasional fireworks boomed overhead as his motorcade made its way to the presidential offices.

"I'm praying this means we will eventually have a better Uruguay," he said. "One where there is better public health, better public education and work opportunities for everyone."

Uruguay, long one of Latin America's most stable democracies, is emerging from a 2002 depression in which the economy shrank by 11 percent.

The upheaval left one of every three Uruguayans below the poverty line, a blow to a country where generous social benefits had for years assured one of the region's highest living standards.

Vazquez's victory broke a long-running hold on power by the Colorado and National parties, which have alternated the presidency for more than 170 years. Their dominance was interrupted occasionally by military rule, most recently during the country's 1973-84 dictatorship.

During the campaign, Vazquez pledged to help the poor, and his message resonated with voters increasingly skeptical of free-market policies being pushed by Washington as the remedy for the region's economic ills.

While Vazquez has vowed to pursue moderate policies, he has promised to strengthen the country's ties with neighbors Argentina and Brazil.

Over the last decade, many South American countries adopted free-market reforms, opening their economies and privatizing state industries, only to see their economies slow to a grind.

Identity theft investigations costly

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Law enforcement officials attending the state's first summit on identity theft asked Monday for more money to combat the crime in California, the only state believed to have more than 1 million victims last year.

The summit sought assistance from politicians, businesses and consumer advocates as they prepare to prevent identity theft and crack down on thieves.

"There's no way we in law enforcement can do it alone," said Jan Scully, Sacramento County district attorney.

Sheriffs, legislators, postal workers and consumer watchdogs want to increase funding for prosecutors and for state task forces dedicated to identity theft. Current funding is about $12.4 million per year.

Only about 11 percent of cases statewide are solved, Scully said.

For example, the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department had more than 20,000 identity theft cases last year, said Jonathan Fairtlough, a county prosecutor. The county prosecuted only about 220 cases, he said.

California's high numbers could be partly the result of reporting requirements in state legislation designed to clamp down on identity theft, experts said.

In July 2003, California became the first state to require companies to notify consumers whenever security breaches expose personal data. In the most egregious cases, executives must also alert news organizations and issue news releases about security failures.

In addition, California is the only state where consumers can order a "credit freeze" with major credit bureaus. A freeze requires lenders, retailers, utilities and other businesses to get special access to credit reports through a PIN-based system and helps prevent imposters from getting any new loans and credit.
Serial killer charged with murdering ten

Former scout leader attends hearing via video

**Haiti**

**Police pressured to regain trust**

Haitians fed up with brutality, fear violence of local authorities

**Associate Press**

**PORT-AU-PRINCE** — Outgunned, undermanned and blamed for some of the country’s violence, Haitian police face pressure to mend decades of mistrust before elections next fall that many people fear are destined for bloodshed.

The United States and United Nations have repeatedly tried and failed to build an evenhanded police force over the years, and offered help again last year after rebels ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide during a three-week revolt.

But Haitians, who have seen a string of governments use the police to brutalize enforcers, say officers still operate above the law, tar­geting opponents with trigger-happy tactics.

 Violence has come in waves since September, with some 400 civilians and 25 police slain, according to the National Coalition for Haitian Rights and an Associated Press count.

On Monday, five officers trying to block unarmed protesters escorted by U.N. peacekeepers fired tear gas, then hurled, into a crowd of hundreds. When the shooting ended, two men lay dead in the street. “Police could have hit us by shooting that way,” a Brazilian peacekeeper com­plained.

This time the victims were Aristide supporters marking the first anniversary of his flight from Haiti with demands that he return from exile in South Africa. A little more than a year ago, police were shooting at demonstrators calling for Aristide’s return. Former soldiers responded by killing a revolt that ousted Aristide and left dozens of policemen dead or mutilated.

Many officers “abandoned their posts and some fled the country,” U.N. civilian police arrived to end depleted and demoralized force.

The U.S.-backed interim government fired 200 corrupt or inexperienced officers. But the annual U.S. human rights report released Tuesday said some of the remaining Haitian officers “were implicated in corruption, kidnap­ping and narcotics trafficking” and “committed human rights abuses” in 2004.

Dan Moskaluk, a spokesman for the U.N. train­ing and support mission run by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, said there are only 2,000 to 3,000 officers in Haiti, an impover­ished nation of 8 million people plagued by lawlessness. Many officers, New York, a city with a similar population but with far less crime, has about 37,000 officers.

Haitian police are also outgunned. The officers, armed with new M-16 rifles, sawed­off shotguns and pistols, must patrol slums filled with Aristide supporters who often have better weapons that were looted during the uprising.

Despite numerous telephone calls and a visit to the police headquarters over more than a week, The Associated Press was unable to get police command­ers to comment on the situation.

 Violence has worsened since police fired on a group of Aristide supporters in September, killing two people. The next day, the bodies of three beheaded officers were found in a pro-Aristide slum.

Civilians blame police for the deaths of at least eight of 19 people shot to death since Friday in Port-au-Prince, the capital.

Lt. Gen. Augusto Heleno Ribeiro, the Brazilian com­mander of the U.N. peacekeeping mission, confirmed that police killed six people Friday in Bel Air, a hot­spot of Aristide militants where Monday’s protest took place. Residents said police fired indiscriminately while peace­keepers stood by. Heleno said no U.N. forces were involved in the raid.

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Enron audio tapes go public

Accumulation of evidence against energy corporation continues to build up

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Audio tapes made public Tuesday indicate at least 1,300 communications involving Enron Energy Group Inc., which employed by disgraced energy giant Enron Corp., engaged in or discussed violations of federal regulations and theexampleInput

of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff.

Those tapes, including some collected by a Washington state utility, may have “only scratched the surface” of potentially illegal activity by Enron during the West Coast energy crisis of 2000-2001, the FERC staff said in testimony released Tuesday.

The comment came as the regulatory agency released on its Web site transcripts of hundreds of hours of taped conversations involving Enron energy traders.

The tapes contain enough information that there is “sufficient public benefit to be garnered from further review” of the transcripts, which could take thousands of hours to complete, said Patrick Crowley, an economist in FERC’s office of administrative litigation.

Crowley’s comment — and the release of the new transcript — represent a victory for the Snohomish County, Wash., Public Utility District, which has pressed FERC to transcribe thousands of hours of phone conversations involving Enron traders.

The utility district, based in Everett, Wash., about 30 miles north of Seattle, has about $290,000 in its coffers to transcribe and review some tapes over the next six months.

The utility hopes to prove that an exorbitant contract it entered into in late January 2001, at the height of the crisis, should be considered fraudulent because of Enron’s manipulation, and that the utility shouldn’t have to pay the $122 million that Enron claims it owes.

Enron founder Kenneth Lay, former CEO Jeffrey Skilling and chief accounting officer Richard Causey are scheduled to be tried early next year on fraud and conspiracy charges.

The trial is expected to be the premier case to emerge from FERC’s investigation of a rash of corporate scandals that began with Houston-based Enron’s swift fall into bankruptcy after an accounting scandal came to light in December 2001.

In testimony filed Tuesday, FERC staff cited new evidence in which Enron’s own lawyers recognized the incriminating nature of the audio tapes as early as October 2001, writing in a memorandum that, “We have already heard several conversations that should not be produced” in response to power market litigation.

Sen. Maria Cantwell, D-Wash., called FERC’s decision to review the transcripts an about-face, saying FERC staff initially tried to exclude the tapes from evidence.

“The fact this evidence almost fell through the cracks is not acceptable,” Cantwell said. “Federal regulators shouldn’t have to be embarrassed into doing their jobs. They’re supposed to be the cops on the beat, standing between consumers and the mass public mugging that took place at the hands of Enron.”

FERC spokesman Bryan Lee disputed Cantwell’s comments, saying the commission “will continue to be guided by the facts and not politics.”

A spokesman for the Snohomish Co. PUD also welcomed the release of the transcripts.

“Certainly it’s an encouraging sign in that federal regulators are taking a much closer look at some of this evidence that we’ve been aware of for a long time,” Snohomish County PUD spokesman Neil Nerousos said.

Disability puts a strain on families

NEW YORK — Millions of American parents struggle with the day-to-day responsibilities of caring for physically or emotionally disabled children, but often their biggest challenge is putting financial strategies in place to ensure that the kids are taken care of as they grow older.

For Christine and Donald Kriescher of Rockville, Md., who raised a 20-year-old daughter Kandy, who has mild cognitive disabilities, into new programs next year when she leaves school.

In addition, the Krieschers plan to redo their will and set up a special needs trust to transfer their insurance and savings for care for the children after their deaths.

“I will die a happy person if I can find a way so they can live and be happy and be productive, too,” Christine Kriescher said. Kriescher, who is 42, added: “Putting things in place gives you peace of mind.”

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that more than one in 10 Americans between the ages of 16 and 64 suffer from some physical, mental or emotional impairment. Finding the right services, and arranging future financial support, for them can be tricky because parents can’t risk jeopardizing a disabled person’s public

benefit.

Many of the disabled qualify for government-sponsored care or training programs. They also can get financial help through the Supplemental Security Income program, which provides a monthly allowance and generally ensures that the disabled person is eligible for important Medicaid health benefits.

But that assistance could be cut off if parents or well-meaning grandparents give a few thousand dollars to a disabled grandchild, unintentionally making them ineligible for SSI and health care because their assets surpass the $2,000 limit, according to the ARC of the United States, a national organization based in Silver Spring, Md., for the mentally and developmentally disabled.

In Brief

Dollar’s value gaining on Euro

FRANKFURT, Germany — The dollar rose against the euro Tuesday amid mixed economic news from the United States.

The euro fell to $1.3183 in late New York trading from $1.3220 late Monday. The dollar was mostly higher against other rivals. The British pound fell to $1.9201 from $1.9290 late Monday, while the dollar bought 104.26 Japanese yen, down slightly from 104.33 yen on Friday. The euro bought 1.6124 Swiss francs, up from 1.6104, and 1.2415 Canadian dollars, up from 1.2372.

The dollar’s gains came as the Institute for Supply Management’s private research group, reported that the U.S. manufacturing sector grew at a slower pace in February than in the previous month.

Its index measuring manufacturing activity declined to 53.5 in February from a revised reading of 56.4 in January. Still, it remained above 50 indicates that the sector remained solid.

FTC offers free credit reports

WASHINGTON — The Federal Trade Commission has begun offering free credit reports to Americans.

Getting a copy of that credit report got easier on Tuesday for Midwesterners, as free credit scores became available for the asking.

The Midwestern states added Tuesday are the second phase of the Federal Trade Commission’s rollout of the service. It began in December with Western states and will finish late March, when the Northeast is added.

The three major credit bureaus have long been required to provide the reports upon request, but some consumers could get them for free, others had to pay a fee. Either way, the process could be cumbersome.

Now, reports from all three bureaus are available at https://www.annualcreditreport.com. Consumers can get one free report per year from each agency, Equifax Inc., Experian Information Solutions and Trans Union.
One of my favorite poems, "Incident" by Countee Cullen, characterized the personal pain of racism for receivers of oppression. In the piece, the protagonist—a small, eight-year-old black boy—encounters a white youth of similar age on a Baltimore street. The white youth calls out the protagonist the most pejorative term used against blacks without provocation or discernible reason. Most potently, this brief poem ends with the speaker reflecting on the interaction: "I saw the whole of Baltimore, from May in December, of all the things that happened there, that's all that I remember." As Cullen expresses in verse, a single incident of racial oppression has the ability to overshadow a person's perception of the world and of himself. The powerlessness felt by targets of any type of prejudice is debilitating and staggering. Language is crucial in this discussion. Our tone, manner and voice all communicate stereotypes and prejudice. Further, certain words—like the pejorative "n-word" from Cullen's poem—carry centuries of oppressive, violent and destructive baggage. I would like to consider the effect of these words on people of the oppressed groups. People who utter these discriminatory words have various motives, yet their use, whether maliciously or inadvertently, often results in degradation of the oppressed group. We lack, in the broader discourse of prejudice, a way to deconstruct systems of oppression through language, as well as a process of addressing the real feelings of pain and frustration. The private pain of the oppressed is sacrificed and silenced as society endeavors to make racism, sexism and heterosexism unimportant and invisible through political correctness or ignorance. I have heard many stories of Notre Dame students suffering this private pain of prejudice. While some would have us believe we are beyond the days of racial subjugation, people still find themselves in isolated situations due to derogatory words. In my experience, two of my worst days here have been a result of such language use. As a sophomore, someone from my residence staff flippantly intimated I thought myself light enough to "pass" for white. As a light-skinned black person, passing and racial identity have played big parts in my development. During that incident in my dorm, I felt betrayed by Notre Dame's promises of family and isolated in my feelings of outrage. The second time was in a classroom this school year. A fellow student used a racially pejorative word to illustrate her point. While the student's intentions were not malicious, the effect of hearing the word in class outside of the context of an explicitly race-related conversation was jarring. My peer's unwitting utterance of the "n-word" illuminated the feelings of exclusion and discrimination I and other minorities feel in small doses sometimes daily. Being the only black, Latino or Asian in a class, being expected to speak or represent your race during class lectures, never seeing religious icons reflecting your ethnic heritage and being assumed to be responsible for the misdeeds of all other races weighs on the hearts and minds of minorities. We must under estimate the ability of language to exert the forces of domination and power on our communities. The private pain of the oppressed is sacrificed and silenced as society endeavors to make derogatory name, that is a violent act. That comment, in the context of a play about the murder of a young gay man, gives us pause. When we recognize language as a tool to exert pain on others, we have a frame through which to evaluate our actions and their consequences. Seeking reconciliation when we harm others with words repairs a relationship and opens a place for discussion and growth. To further ignore our mishaps in speech adds to the violence of our words. We look to a day, as a goal, when these words and their speakers no longer have the power to disrupt people's lives. Until then, what can we do to have constructive discussions of modern prejudice with the words of hate? Perhaps discussing the origins and uses of these words to understand their continued effect, agreeing on parameters for discussion that uphold everyone's dignity while still encouraging controversial ideas and responding to insecurity as the discussion progresses may be helpful foundational rules. We can create in our communities and in ourselves spaces in which matters of race, sex or sexual orientation can be discussed constructively and non-violently. I charge all of us, as our student leaders look for systemic answers to group divides, to be proactive vessels of the change we need at Notre Dame. Through our deeds and our words we either do the work of love and inclusion, or of hate and violence towards others.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY
"Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be made a victim. Accept no one's definition of your life; define yourself."

Harvey Fierstein
author

Wednesday, March 2, 2005
Letters to the Editor

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Brian Tracy
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Knott Hall
March 1

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Thought about, if you can, to the summer.

What are you planning to do with your classmates? Some people take the easy way out — they find a summer job and try to earn some cash before school starts up again. Nowhere on Halo 2, they “take it easy.”

I’m not trying to suggest taking it easy is wrong. We can all use some recreation from the academic and social pressures of school. But vacation doesn’t entail forgetting our obligations. For Catholics, this means dedicating ourselves to the ¡totive Mass attendance policy. We don’t suspend our commitment to service. In other words, there is a difference between “taking it easy” — a natural desire to have some fun and “taking the summer off.”

The summer off is exactly what we shouldn’t do.

President of BSLife. Or, students wishing to show solidarity against the Yisro festivities, no matter how small a number in their assembly, must technically register as well. Why is that necessary? If a “demonstration” is conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner, why, at a university, a center of information exchange and academic intrigue, must such an assembly of equal-minded individuals be registered with university officials? It seems to me that in this case, as in many of these cases, we as a community are acting prior to anything actually taking place — in a way, we are attempting to keep controversy from occurring. This seems like a dangerous thing to do in a setting where we should be encouraging, not hampering, the free flow of ideas across all lines in our community.

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The National Acrobats of Taiwan, ROC is world-renowned for the ability of its acrobats and entertaining spectacle showcased throughout every show. This troupe of acrobats from the Fu Hsing Academy has traveled around the nation performing spectacular feats. The acrobats are famous for using household items like tables and chairs in their performances. In the past, they have been known to balance on stools 30 feet high, spin numerous plates on sticks simultaneously and balance 12 acrobats on a single bicycle.

The average acrobat trains for eight years before performing in the show. Their director, Lo Ji-Hung, was also co-director of the Golden Dragon Acrobats during the 1980s.

The National Acrobats of Taiwan, ROC will perform March 14 at 8 p.m. The show is part of ND Presents, a series of international shows brought to the Notre Dame Performing Arts Center by Notre Dame. Tickets are available from the center and range from $20-$45.

Ronan Tyan
This former member of the Irish Tenors is famous for more than his voice. Tyan has sung for some of the most famous people in the world — including at the wedding of New York Mayor Rudy Guiliani, during the seventh inning at many New York Yankees games and at the funeral of Ronald Reagan. But this remarkable singer only began voice lessons at the age of 33. Tyan had both legs amputated below the knee after a car accident at the age of 20, and before beginning his career as a musician worked as a certified medical doctor in the field of orthopedic sports injuries. Tyan also won 15 gold medals and 14 world records as a multitalented athlete in the Paralympics between 1981 and 1984.

Now the singer is famous for his diverse performances ranging from Verdi’s “Requiem” to the hymn “How Great Thou Art” to the pop-classic “From a Distance.” No matter what he is performing Tyan’s voice remains one of the clearest and most beautiful in the world.

Ronan Tyan will perform in the Leighton Concert Hall Thursday, March 17 at 8 p.m. Tickets cost $30 for students, $37 for seniors, $40 for faculty and staff and $50 for the general public.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo
The sound of Ladysmith Black Mambazo is unmistakable and very distinguished. Over the past 15 years, these singers of traditional South African music have become cultural ambassadors around the world. The group sings a style called isicathamiya, which was first sung by black South African mine workers. The music was forbidden under apartheid and Mambazo has since become a national treasure as it has been brought back to worldwide attention.

Mambazo accompanied the South African President F. W. de Klerk to the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony in Oslo, Norway in 1993 and performed at Nelson Mandela’s inauguration in 1994. The full, rich and rhythmic a capella sound of Mambazo is perhaps most famous for its appearance on Paul Simon’s 1997 release “Graceland.” The album was one of the most influential works in a burst of world music that entered popular culture and was certainly instrumental to Mambazo’s fame.

Performing with the group’s first U.S. release, won a Grammy for Best Traditional Folk Album. Since then the group has been nominated for six additional Grammys. Mambazo has also performed with George Clinton and the Parliament Funkadelic, Stevie Wonder, Dolly Parton and BB King. Their performance on Sesame Street with Paul Simon is also one of the top three most requested segments of the show’s history.

Mambazo’s music with the talent and political power of Mambazo are truly few and far between.

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Nanovic Institute presents European films

By BECCA SAUNDERS
Assistant Scene Editor

As South Bend winter continues into March, Notre Dame students will not need to look far to find an entertaining and culturally expanding activity. In fact, one only needs to look as far as the Browning Cinema in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts to discover a world of cinema waiting to be viewed.

The Browning Cinema shows films of various genres throughout the year, but many of the Thursday night slots of this semester are dedicated to showing films that are part of the 2004-2005 Nanovic Institute series of contemporary film called "European Cinemas, European Histories." Prior to their 7 p.m. showings, the films are generally introduced by a person with some sort of relationship to the subject of the film or to the film itself. Shown as part of ND Cinema, the films of various languages and genres provide a glimpse into the world beyond snowy South Bend and the United States.

Two films that were part of the "European Cinemas, European Histories" series have already come and gone. The French "L'Auberge espagnole" (2002) and the Irish "Bloody Sunday" (2002) were shown earlier this semester, but the majority of the program has yet to be shown.

The next film will be shown Thursday at 7 and 10 p.m. The Spanish film is called "La Mala educacion/Bad Education" (2004) and was directed by Pedro Almodovar. The 7 p.m. showing will be introduced by Professor Marvin D'Lugo from Clark University. The plot of the movie revolves for the most part around two boys, Ignacio and Enrique, in the early 1960s. According to the Internet Movie Database Web Site synopsis, they "discover love, movies and fear in a Christian school. Father Manole, the school principal and literature teacher, both witnesses and takes part in these discoveries." The film continues based around the same three men as they again cross each other's paths in the late 1970s and in 1980, changing "the life and death of some of them." A promising film from a world renowned director, "La Mala educacion/Bad Education" is a must-see film according to many film critics.

"Rosenstrasse" (Germany 2003) is the next film showing in the Nanovic Institute series on March 17 at 7 and 10 p.m. Directed by Margarethe von Trotta, "Rosenstrasse" will be introduced by Nathan Stoltzfus from Florida State University at the 7 p.m. showing. In a review of "Rosenstrasse," Jeremy Fox of pajiba.com describes early 1943 Berlin, when "the German government seized thousands of Berlin Jews who previously had been allowed their freedom because they were married to Gentiles. The Nazis held them in the former office of the Authority for the Welfare of the Jewish Community at 24 Rosenstrasse, planning to deport them to concentration camps. Their families began to assemble in the street in front of the building, more each day, and after months of peaceful but increasingly verbal protest, those held inside were set free." The story is based around the story of protester Lena Fischer and is primarily told through her flashbacks of her time in Berlin. "Rosenstrasse" is told through the flashbacks of Lena Fischer, who participates in a protest against the German Nazis of 1943.

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7 p.m. show introduced by Robert Fishman of Notre Dame

April 7

"Soldiers of Salamina" (Spain 2003)
7 p.m. and 10 p.m.
Presented by ND Cinema
Shown in the Browning Cinema in the PAC

The Portuguese film "Captains of April" tells the tale of the 1974 revolution in Portugal.

"Soldiers of Salamina" is the story of a young novelist who finds inspiration in a tale of a fallen soldier.
Top competitors to take the green at Doral

Monetary incentive entices players to make appearance at Ford Championship

Associated Press

MIAMI — The stars are aligned in Miami, and some believe it’s a perfect storm. The Ford Championship at Doral begins on Thursday with one of the strongest fields on the PGA Tour this year. The only player missing from the top 15 in the world ranking on No. 3 Ernie Els, who has played the Dubai Desert Classic every year since winning Doral in 2002.

A small part of the tournament began Monday.

Across town at Indian Creek Country Club, Ford Motor Co. had a corporate outing involving its chairman, Bill Ford, his son, Betty Goosen (No. 5), Sergio Garcia (No. 7), Scott Verplank (No. 8), and some former tour stars — as with Randy Moss, whose contract was being negotiated. The Sun-Sentinel cited a tournament source as saying the fee was as high as $150,000.

"It’s a corporate outing early in the tournament week," said Duke Butler, vice president of tournament business affairs at the PGA Tour. "It’s not a unique number of things that have gone on over the years. None of those stipulate that you must play in the tournament."

Ford did not need to invite Phil Mickelson (No. 4) to the outing, because it already has an endorsement deal with the Masters champion. Lefty played with select Ford dealers on a different golf course Tuesday.

What gives the Doral field some serious pop is Tiger Woods, the top draw anywhere in the world. Woods wasn’t included in the outing for obvious reasons — he is sponsored by Buick, and $156,000 is chump change for a guy who commands $3 million when he goes overseas.

Still, the corporate day with four players — all of them IMG clients — has become such an issue that it will be on the agenda when tournament sponsors gather for their annual meetings this week at The Players Championship. "Those players already told us last year they were going to play Doral," PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said. "Perception-wise, I understand the concern. We have to deal with it going forward."

In some respects, it is simply smart business, and Ford is not alone in this. No. 3 Ernie Els, who has played the Dubai Desert Classic every year since winning Doral in 2002.

Ford became title sponsor at Doral about the time it signed up Mickelson to wear its logo on his shirt and make "What will Phil do next" commercials. That but all assures Lefty will be at Doral each year, although he skipped the first year when his wife was pregnant with their third child.

That’s no different than the deal between Buick and Woods. Woods is not contractually obligated to play any of the four Buick tournaments, although he has played at least two of them each year since he became part of the Buick golf team.

And don’t forget Lumber. The Pennsylvania company signed an endorsement deal with Singh and John Daly, another big draw. And speaking of appearance money, Lumber attracted a stronger-than-usual field last year by offering every eligible player at its tournament six-first-class seats on a charter to Ireland for the World Golf Championship.

Vijay Singh practices his fairway bunker shot at World Golf Championship’s Accenture Match Play Championship Feb. 22. Singh, the No. 2 rated player in the world, will next compete at the Ford Championship at Doral on Thursday.

Associated Press

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The Observer

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Miller’s free throws lead Grizzlies past Warriors 99-97

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Memphis Grizzlies finally found their shooting touch.

Mike Miller stole a pass by Jason Richardson, then hit two free throws with 10.4 seconds left, and the Grizzlies held off the Los Angeles Lakers 99-97 Tuesday.

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NHL

Players and board of governors hold separate meetings

NEW YORK — If there are cracks within the players' association, they weren't evident Tuesday when the rank and file met for the first time since the NHL season was canceled.

The so-called splinter faction in the union that is going a different direction has been drummed up by a lot of media members and people hoping a new direction has been found — is an effort to uncancel the season.

"I thought that I got off a good shot," Davis said. "I was on my left, and it just went in and out.

Memphis led 53-50 at the half. The Grizzlies took control in the final minutes of the third quarter from Golden State coach Mike Montgomery said his Warriors must play aggressive each minute of the game.

The meeting lasted about three hours on Tuesday after beginning a night earlier with a dinner.

While more than 150 of the NHL's 700-plus players met in the league's board of governors — representing all 30 teams — another meeting was held at the same hotel where commissioner Gary Bettman imposed the lockout in September and wiped out the entire season two weeks ago.

Both meetings were expected to be informational, providing updates on what happened in the failed negotiations the past 5 1/2 months. Union executives, were also present in New York at the same hotel where the meetings were held.

The board of governors meeting was the first since the start of the lockout. Alternate governors, comprised of general managers and other executives, were also present in Manhattan.

Wayne Gretzky, the managing partner of the Phoenix Coyotes, was absent because he was with his ill mother in Brantford, Ontario.

Gretzky and Pittsburgh Penguins player-owner Mario Lemieux took part in the last bargaining session with the union on Feb. 19 — three days after the season was wiped out — is an effort to uncancel the season. But they left discussions around 12:30 p.m. Tuesday and were expected to continue talking into the early evening.

Debate was expected to take place between hard-line owners who want a salary cap with a link between league revenues and player costs, and those who just want a reasonable deal in place that would allow for the NHL to get back on the ice next season.

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Hudson, Braves agree to extension

Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Tim Hudson probably would have gotten more money by becoming a free agent. He had other things on his mind, like playing close to home for the team he rooted for as a kid.

Hudson completed a $47-million, four-year contract extension with the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday, giving up the chance to go through free agency at the end of the season.

"I knew all along this was the place I wanted to be," said Hudson, a former 20-game winner. "It was just a matter of getting together with a fair-enough contract."

Hudson will make $6.75 million this year. His new deal calls for a $10 million signing bonus, payable when the contract is approved by the commissioner’s office, and salaries of $4 million in 2006, $6 million in 2007 and $13.5 million each in 2008 and 2009.

Hudson’s extension contains a $12 million mutual option for 2010 with a $1 million buyout. If the option is exercised, the deal would be worth $58 million over five years.

We look forward to Tim being the cornerstone for us going into a new era of excellent Braves pitching," general manager John Schuerholz said.

Hudson was traded from Oakland to Atlanta in December. Hudson went 12-6 with a 3.53 ERA in 27 starts, but spent a month on the disabled list with an injury to his left side.

He figures he would have commanded at least $15 million a year as a free agent, but was willing to settle for less to play for the Braves.

The 29-year-old right-hander was a first-round draft pick of the A’s in 1995 and went 96-99 with a 3.59 ERA in a nine-year career with Oakland.

"It’s not like $11.5 million a year is peanuts," he said. "Obviously, it’s below market value for me. That’s fine."

Once the two sides began serious negotiations, things went smoothly. The main points were agreed on several days ago, leaving plenty of time to finalize the deal before Hudson’s self-imposed Tuesday deadline to reach an extension.

IN BRIEF

Redskins give Samuels team-record signing bonus

ASHBURN, Va. — This year’s big signing for the Washington Redskins at the start of free agency is one of their own: tackle Chris Samuels, who received the largest signing bonus in team history.

Samuels and the team reached agreement Tuesday night for a multi-year deal that includes a signing bonus of $15.75 million, according to an official in the league who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Further details were not immediately available, but the deal solves a pressing need just before the start of free agency at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday. Samuels’ contract was scheduled to count a whopping $9.5 million against the salary cap this year, constraining the team’s ability to re-sign players and acquire new ones.

Samuels’ bonus exceeds the club-record $15.5 million linebacker LaVar Arrington received in his nine-year, $68 million career contract signed in December 2003.

Hornets waive veteran Davis

NEW ORLEANS — The New Orleans Hornets waivered Dale Davis on Tuesday, clearing the way for him to join a team — perhaps the Indiana Pacers — that is seeking a veteran forward for the playoffs.

The Detroit Pistons have also expressed interest in acquiring the 35-year-old forward, who has averaged 8.5 points and 8.2 rebounds during his 15-year career.

Davis came to the Hornets along with Speedy Claxton shortly before last week’s trading deadline in a deal that sent point guard Baron Davis to Golden State.

But the Hornets never expected Davis to make such a strong impact, leading the team in scoring and rebounding before sustaining a torn Achilles tendon.

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Women’s College Lacrosse Big East Standings

Women's College Lacrosse

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MIAMI — Alonzo Mourning once was larger than life, the Miami Heat's biggest star. Now, even he acknowledges those days are gone.

Yet Mourning also steadfastly believes he can still play at a championship-caliber level. And now, at last, he's back with Miami and ready to resume his past quest — delivering the Heat's first NBA title.

The seven-time All-Star center signed a contract Tuesday to rejoin Miami, the team with whom he spent eight previous seasons — a stint twice interrupted by kidney disease. He's expected to make about $325,000 for the rest of the season — a prorated share of the $1.1 million minimum veteran contract.

"It's definitely been a long time coming," the 35-year-old Mourning said after a two-hour Wednesday, March 2, 2005 The Observer

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Walker happy with his return

Associated Press

WALTHAM, Mass. — Antoine Walker was back at the Boston Celtics' suburban workout facility — back in the familiar green, back on the practice parquet. The only visible difference was the No. 51 on the warmup jersey he grabbed, and the smile on his face.

"Chuck up 3-pointers — relax, Celtics fans, it's only practice," Walker said as he prepared for his first game back in Boston with the Celtics. "I said things I didn't really mean, and I'm sure he said things he probably shouldn't have." The only visible difference was the No. 51 on the warmup jersey he grabbed, and the smile on his face.

Walker called himself a more mature player than the one that left Boston 1 1/2 years ago when Ainge sent him to Dallas — much to break his spirit.

"We're happy to be back in Boston after his exit off the Dallas bench and NBA purgatory with the bottom-dwelling Atlanta Hawks. So happy, in fact, we're willing to put his problems with Celtics basketball boss Danny Ainge, whom he once referred to as "the man in the past." I give Danny a lot of credit for bringing me back. That takes a lot for anyone to do," Walker said.

Walker expected to be fired up against the team that drafted him. Williamson, Brian Skinner and Kenny Thomas.

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Thanks to efforts by Bobcats coach Bernie Bickerstaff and owner Helene Birkett, the team planned to give Walker a "salute" when he returns to the TD Banknorth Garden on Feb. 25.

The Associated Press

Agreement reached with Bryant accuser

DENVER — Experts believe a settlement between Kobe Bryant and the woman who accused him of rape makes the most sense for both sides because it allows them to avoid a potentially embarrassing trial that would bring out intimate details of their lives.

ABC News Radio reported Tuesday that the NBA star and his 20-year-old accuser have reached an agreement in principle, with a settlement possible as early as this week.

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Bryant, 27, has to bring an end to the civil case if he hopes to regain a semblance of the rising-star image that brought him lucrative product endorsements before he was charged with sexual assault, said David Carter, a sports marketing consultant with the Los Angeles-based Sports Business Group.

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Digan was not punished, however, winning the bout in a split decision. In the second match of the evening, Braley "Ba Black Sheep" Wanchulak became the second boxer to win after illegally taking down his opponent.

After dominating Adam "Alphax" Frisch for two rounds, Wanchulak appeared to have his balance during a hug in the process of taking down the opposition. The Red Menace "Hitter", a sophomore from Stanford, in the 180-pound division. The Red Menace knocked Reilly down in the first round, but the freshman battled an aggressive strategy in the second and third rounds to come back and win by split decision.

Cunningham opened the heavyweight division by putting on a clinic against Chris "The Institute" Nanovic. Cunningham was bloodied twice — once in the first round and once in the second — but recovered and landed several shots to Nanovic's head, including one that drew a blood from the crowd as the final bell sounded.

The next bout, also in the 180-pound division, senior Dana Collins defeated graduate student Jason "The Amarilla Killa" Miller in an unanimous decision. Collins was bloodied twice — once in the first round and once in the second — but recovered and landed several shots to Nanovic's head, including one that drew a cut from the crowd as the final bell sounded.

In the last fight of the night, heavyweight Tony "Tiny Bubbles" Cunningham and Michael Milligan squared off. Cunningham landed several hard shots to Milligan's head, earning him a unanimous decision.

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Women beat Pirates, 41-35

Irish players Breona Gray, Crystal Erwin and Courtney LaVere battle for a loose ball with Seton Hall’s Neta Horoviza in the first half of Notre Dame’s 54-33 win on Jan. 2.

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Writer

After an impressive win against West Virginia Saturday, Irish coach Muffet McGraw wanted her team to keep its momentum heading into the final regular season game against Seton Hall Tuesday night.

Scoring 41 points wasn’t what McGraw had in mind.

Despite shooting a dismal 22 percent from the field and tying its lowest road game point total in school history, Notre Dame snuck past Seton Hall 41-35 Tuesday evening.

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