College Park busted for third year

Police stop St. Patrick’s Day party

By KATE ANTONACCI
Associate News Editors

For the third straight year, local police agencies busted a large student St. Patrick’s Day party at the College Park apartment complex Thursday.

The Indianapolis Excise Police issued citations to four students at the 18027 rallies Road apartment complex, district 1 excise Lt. Greg Deitchley said.

One male was cited for both minor in consumption and for presenting an officer with a false identification, Deitchley said.

Three other individuals were cited for minor in consumption, but no custodial arrests were made, Deitchley said.

The excise police arrived at College Park in six unmarked vehicles and entered the complex at approximately 6:30 p.m.

About 60 to 75 students were detained in one of the apartment units until each student presented a legal identification with proof of age to an officer. Several breathalyzer tests were also conducted.

The St. Joseph County Police, though not giving out citations for minor in consumption, waited outside the unit for crowd control purposes, several on-site officers said.

St. Joseph County Police said apartment 18027 was the largest, loudest and most crowded unit. Deitchley said the excise police decided to enter 18027 as opposed to other College Park units after establishing probable cause to break up the party.

“We do a series of things to establish probable cause,” said Deitchley. “Once we got there, we verified we had probable cause.”

Deitchley said the Indiana State Excise Police was not called in by the

above, students attending the party at 18027 college park flood the balcony. at right, police officers aid in checking student IDs.

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Symposium to debate women in battles

By MEGAN O'NEIL
New Mary Editor

In this time of world conflict, conscientious Saint Mary’s students may wonder what their roles as women in a troubled society should be.

To help answer this question, the Saint Mary’s women’s studies program is hosting a week-long symposium entitled “Women, War, and Peace: Feminist Interventions in a Time of Conflict” in conjunction with Women’s History Month.

The third annual women’s symposium, which will run through next Wednesday, features several women’s studies scholars and feminist artists and is focused on the role of women in situations of armed conflict.

“It seemed like an appropriate theme given what is going on in the world,” women’s studies department chair Astrid Henry said. “We thought it was a very timely and important subject.”

The week of events officially began Tuesday with a lecture given by Cynthia Enloe, a feminist author and professor at Clark University. Enloe discussed

students snap up internships as semester ticks down

Summer spots seen as vital for careers

By KATIE LAIRD
News Writer

As the semester begins to wind down and summer approaches, many students are searching for internship opportunities and using the various resources the Career Center has to offer.

Susanne Thorup, manager of internship development at the Career Center, works closely with students from all colleges to help them find internships that best suit them.

“Internships provide good exposure in a field to see if it’s really what you want to do,” she said.

In addition to resume writing tips, practice interviews and internship workshops, the Career Center has many online resources to make applying for internships accessible to students. Two popular resources are Go Irish and NaceLink Global, which provide listings of internships by city, major, company and various other factors.

Caitlin Leiva, a junior accounting major, is currently studying abroad with the London Program. Leiva learned in fall that she had received a summer internship with the accounting firm Ernst & Young in San Francisco.

“I think it will be a good chance for me to see if accounting really is the thing for me,” Leiva said. “I am excited about the chance to get some real world experience and hopefully make some good connections in the process.”

Leiva said she used resources at the Career Center to help her write a resume and searched Go Irish to help her find the Ernst & Young position.

“Overall, the Career Center is useful for fine tuning things and getting the ball rolling, but

Laetare winner named

Murray to be honored for milestone surgery

By KATE ANTONACCI
Assistant News Editor

Dr. Joseph E. Murray, the first surgeon to perform a successful organ transplant 51 years ago, has been chosen to receive the University’s 2005 Laetare Medal.

“Human lives and hopes have been wonderfully invigorated by Joseph Murray’s 1954 medical triumph,” University President Edward Malloy said in a press release. “The genius, erudition and skill he brought to bear in the surgical arena are all gifts from God which this good doctor has made gifts to humankind.”

The University selected Murray for his deep Catholic faith and his many contributions to science. He successfully transplanted a donated kidney from one brother to another on Dec. 23, 1954. In 1962, Murray performed the first successful kidney transplant using a kidney from a donor unrelated to the patient. For the developments made in lifesaving organ and tissue transplant techniques, he won the Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine in 1990.

“Dr. Murray’s vision of medicine as a means to serve others, and his deep faith in God made him an excellent candidate. His faith is what provides the context for his work and has shaped his life,” said Father Peter Jarret, counselor to the President.

The award is meant to recognize the contributions of men and women whose faith energizes their work. Jarret said

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INSIDE COLUMN

A universal accessory

Up until last week, I think I was the last person in America not to own a cell phone.

What once was reserved for doctors or lawyers appearing in court now has become a universal accessory. Even elementary school children have them now. When I was 12 the big thing was pledging with your parents until they folded and let you get your ears pierced. My little sister, a sixth grader, is working on getting herself a new Nokia.

The aversion to cell phones stemmed first from my remarkable memory. My dad, a professor in California, says he has watched the cell phone become a type of security blanket. Now, when students gather outside his room before class they don't compare homework or socialize. They stand off by themselves and grip their cells.

But more significantly, people with cell phones are annoying, and sometimes even dangerous.

Take my experience in the park last Wednesday as an example. I was pulling into Angela at Saint Mary's when a girl whipped around the corner and nearly hit me. Needless to say, she had a cell phone clasped to her ear.

Or how about when you are hanging out with a friend or acquaintance and they receive a call? Nothing makes you feel less welcome than standing awkwardly by while they chat away for 20 minutes.

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All this, and I haven't even touched on the issue of drunk dialing yet.

Why then, if the evils of the cell phone are so apparent to me, did I make a visit to a Verizon mobile store during spring break?

My fall had to do mostly with my assignment at The Observer. I am rooming in dorm rooms during the day and colleagues have to be able to get ahold of me.

Furthermore, giving your cell phone number to a new acquaintance or even a friend is much more comfortable than giving them your room or home number. Indeed, the home number is a great test of his interest — the guy who asks for your room or home number after he or she made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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IN BRIEF

The conference "Building Peace Through Interreligious Encounters" will take place from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. today in the Huschberg Center for International Studies. The conference is sponsored by the Kroc Institute's Program in Religion, Conflict and Peacebuilding.

Pianists Emanuel Ax and Jeffery Siegel will perform a dual recital tonight from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall at the Kroc Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets can be purchased at the box office for $48, $38 for faculty and students, $36 for seniors and $15 for students.

The class of 2006 will host "The Emerald Ball" tonight from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. at The Riverside Terrace. The formal event will include dancing, food and a cash bar.

Saint Mary's will host Midnight Madness tonight from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. in Angela Athletic Facility. The event will include intramural finals, games and raffles.

Zahn and Cavanaugh Halls will jointly sponsor a Winter Carnival on North Quad Saturday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The event is open to all students and faculty.

The band Stroke 9, famed for the 1999 hit "Little Black Backpack," will play at Legends at 10 p.m. Saturday.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@smu.edu.

LOCAL WEATHER

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Asian-American Association’s event to focus on generation gap

By STEVE KERINS

Today and tomorrow, the Notre Dame Asian-American Association (AAA) will explore bridging the gap between generations in workshops and presentations at their fourth annual InFocus conference. “The conference’s format is kind of similar every year,” AAA member Eddie Yu said. “But every year it’s a different theme. This year the theme, “Generations: Bridging the Gap” deals with family perspectives within the culture itself, with our parents... I feel like a lot of it is about understanding parents and progeny.”

The conference will open tonight at 7 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom with a presentation by keynote speaker Frank Wu, dean of Wayne State University Law School. Wu will address issues of cross-cultural awareness, including injustices arising from racial inequality. A screening of the film ARCD will follow the lecture.

Saturday’s events will be held in the Coleman-Morse Center. University President Father Edward Malloy is scheduled to deliver an opening speech at 10 a.m. and his introductory remarks will be followed by a series of workshops. This year’s workshops and presentations include “Core Family: Parents and Progeny,” “Cross-Cultural Awareness: Sessions with Frank Wu,” “The Notre Dame Family: Perspectives of Asian Alumni,” “Interracial Dating: Understanding the Viewpoints,” and “Changing Dynamics: The Asian-American Experience.” The “Changing Dynamics” workshop, facilitated by Daren Mooko, will examine the effects of American cultural influence on Asian-Americans.

Yu cited the need for workshops to address specific issues facing Asian-Americans today, specifically issues relating to this year’s trans-generational theme. “Growing up, I kind of had American culture, and at the same time I had my parents’ Korean culture,” he said. “TAT times it was kind of tough communicating.”

Application to a broad range of Asian cultures is also among the conference’s goals. Yu said the events feature speakers from a variety of backgrounds, and that the publicists for the conference feature scenes from many cultures as well.

“I feel that it’s valid to all the cultures,” he said. “I don’t think it favors any one of them... it kind of encompasses all of them.”

Registration for the conference is $7, and lunch, activities, and the InFocus Banquet at 6:30 p.m. in the Mendoza Atrium are all included. The conference will conclude with the banquet, featuring a talk by professor Bradley Malovsky of the Notre Dame Theology Department and his wife Mariam. Saturday’s events draw to a close with Shabanga Bash, a celebration featuring Indian food and music at 10 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

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Jenkins appoints alum as executive assistant

Special to the Observer

Frances Shavers, a 1990 Notre Dame graduate who previously served in the Notre Dame athletic department and Alumni Association, will return to the University to serve as executive assistant to President-elect Father John Jenkins.

Currently manager of the Community Education Academy at the University of Southern California, Shavers will begin her new duties at Notre Dame on April 27.

“Frances is an extraordinarily talented individual with equally impressive interpersonal skills,” Jenkins said. “She has a deep understanding of and appreciation for Notre Dame, and I could not be any more pleased that she has accepted our invitation to return to her alma mater and serve on my administrative team.”

After earning her bachelor’s degree in sociology, Shavers worked for two years with the Arizona Life and Casualty Co. in Dallas and Buffalo, N.Y. She returned to Notre Dame in January 1992 to serve as director of alumni clubs and student programs in the University’s Alumni Association. Her responsibilities included supervision of the activities and programs of the University’s student-alumni group and serving as liaison between Notre Dame and its network of more than 100 alumni clubs nationwide.

Shavers was appointed the first coordinator of the Notre Dame athletic department’s Life Skills Program in 1996. Under her direction, the program created academic, personal and career support programs for the more than 700 Irish student-athletes, and has since been recognized as a model within intercollegiate athletics.

At USC, Shavers was responsible for overseeing a collaborative relationship of the university’s major educational outreach initiatives. She facilitated communication among various programs, developed programming that integrated services and managed the academy’s strategic planning process.

Shavers began work on her master’s and doctoral degrees in 1998 in the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University. She earned her master’s a year later in administration, planning and social policy and completed her doctorate last year in the same field with a concentration in higher education.

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A line of exercise cars led by a St. Joseph County Sheriff car pulls into the parking lot at the College Park apartment complex at approximately 6:30 p.m. Thursday evening.

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St. Joseph County Police Department, but was patrolling the north South Bend area as a precautionary measure due to past St. Patrick's Day incidents.

"We had cars up in that area around Turtle Creek, College Park and also Lafayette Square," Deitchley said. "We had extra people out because of activities of the past two St. Patrick's Days."

Last year, St. Joseph County Police arrested six students at College Park and one was taken to St. Joseph Regional Medical Center after falling from a balcony. The previous year, a student also fell from a balcony at a larger party, though no arrests were made.

Officers from the Mishawaka Police Department and Roseland Police Department were also at scene this year, but did not enter the College Park complex.

Patti Ruswurm, property manager of College Park, said no extra security was brought to the complex for St. Patrick's Day despite the history of busts and accidents.

"I just sent out an email reminding the residents to be safe and [that] there are no more than eight people allowed on the balconies or patios, reminding them they are responsible for their guests as well as themselves," Ruswurm said.

Senior Mark DeSplinter, 22, lives in apartment 18027, unit C. He said he was not home when the party began around noon, but he returned from Bengal Route practice at 6 p.m. DeSplinter said he was frustrated that he was not allowed back in the apartment until the police were finished at 7:30 p.m.

"Basically, this is the most efficient thing I've ever seen. They won't let me back in my room," DeSplinter said. "They have at least seven cops inside scanning every ID. They said it is due to the large amount of people inside."

St. Joseph County Police Department was at College Park not to deal with alcohol-related issues, but to follow up on calls about traffic along Bulla Road and Route 23, according to Sgt. John Kuhny.

"We're out here due to excessive traffic complaints," Kuhny said. "Basically what's going on in there [College Park complex] is no concern of mine."

By 6 p.m., Kuhny said St. Joseph County officers issued two citations for public indecency, particularly public urination. He also said St. Joseph County Police issued citations for cars parked illegally on the side of the road. Issued tickets ranged from $50 to $100, Kuhny said.

Jamie Thirion, spokesperson for St. Joseph County Police, said that officers are just trying to make sure students are safe.

"We know there are festivities," Thirion said. "There is nothing major going on — we're out patrolling."

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**Pulitzer Prize winner passes away at home**

Associated Press

PRINCETON, N.J. — Diplomat and Pulitzer Prize-winning historian George F. Kennan, who gave the name "containment" to postwar foreign policy, died Thursday night at his Princeton home, his son-in-law said.

Kennan was 101.

"He was a giant. Many people have called him the most important foreign service officer of the past half-century," said son-in-law Kevin Delany of Washington, D.C. "He was a very thoughtful man with an elegant writing style."

Identified only as "X," Kennan laid out the general lines of the containment policy in the journal "Foreign Affairs" in 1947, when he was chief of the State Department's policy planning staff. The article also predicted the collapse of Soviet Communism decades later.

"It is clear that the main element of any United States policy toward the Soviet Union must be that of a long-term, patient but firm and vigilant containment of Russian expansive tendencies," Kennan wrote.

When the Berlin Blockade Party was finally driven from power in the Soviet Union after the failed hardline coup in August 1991, Kennan called it "a turning point of the most momentous historical significance."

In his 1947 article, Kennan disagreed with the emphasis on military containment embodied in the " Truman doctrine." That policy, announced three months before publication of Kennan's article, committed the United States and the Soviet Union to their current antagonism.

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Man charged with planning to kidnap the talk show host's son and his nanny

Associated Press

JELENA, Mont. — Authorities on Thursday charged a man and his family with planning to kidnap David Letterman's son and nanny from the talk show host's ranch on Montana's Rocky Mountain Front.

U.S. pursues North Korean talks

WASHINGTON — Enemies of the United States, China, Japan and South Korea discussed Thursday how to restart formal talks on ethnic Koreans’ nuclear weapons program, officials said, but there was no indication that a Pyongyang representative attended.

A North Korean official visiting South Africa blamed the United States for a breakdown in the talks and prompted aέ rage in the anger at being branded an outcast of the G-8.

Years of top-level talks at the United Nations’ parliament, said it was now up to the United States to create “appropriate conditions” for the dialogue, the South Korean Associated Press reported. “Figuratively speaking, the ball is in the U.S. court,” he quoted as saying after talks Thursday with South Korea’s Deputy President Jacob Zuma.

Congressional negotiators have discussed at least two gambling proposals in a month’s time, including legalizing social clubs and truck stops.

They say was a plot to kidnap the 3-year-old son and nanny from the talk show host's ranch on Montana's Rocky Mountain Front.

Islamic militants declare ceasefire

Sixth of October City, Egypt — Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon announced the announcement as a “positive first step,” though he insisted that for greater progress to take place “terrorists cannot continue to exist as armed groups.”

A top aide to Sharon, Ehud Barak, said Israel would continue to refrain from military action so long as the Israelis do not attack Muslims.

Rapist Lil’ Kim convicted of perjury

NEW YORK — Rapper Lil’ Kim was convicted Thursday of perjury for a federal judge to protect friends who were involved in a shootout outside a radio station.

Robert Meeks, R-La., confirmed that a Pyongyang representative attended.

New Jersey prisoner van hijacked

EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP, N.J. — A gunman earjacked a van from a roadside prison workforce, authorities said.

Notorious B.I.G., known for her revealing outfits and grizzly bears. In September 2003, a black bear broke into Letterman’s Montana house at least three times.

“Mrs. David Letterman” was not immediately comment or say whether Letterman or his family was in Montana at the time of Frank’s arrest.

The comedian who hosts CBS’ “Late Show” taped three programs earlier this week, but is not on the air Thursday and Friday because of the network’s coverage of the men’s college basketball tournament.

Mike Ferriter of the state Department of Corrections, who said Frank had been working as a painter at Letterman’s ranch in Montana Chateau in north-central Montana and apparently confided in an acquaintance earlier this month of his plan to kidnap Letterman’s son and nanny.

In addition to the solicitation charge, Frank also is charged with felony theft for allegedly overcharging Letterman for painting, and a misdemeanor charge of obstruction for lying to an investigator who first contacted him about the alleged plot.

He’s jailed in neighboring Pondera County on $600,000 bail.

Lettersman’s girlfriend, Regina Lasko, gave birth to their son on Nov. 3, 2003.

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WASHINGTON — Any permanent reduction in the number of U.S. troops in Iraq isn’t likely until sometime between mid-summer and mid-2008, a top Army general said Thursday.

For there to be any drawdown, Iraq security forces must continue to improve their ability to fight the insurgency themselves, Gen. George W. Casey, Army vice chief of staff, told reporters.

The military is a staggered rotation of soldiers and large units that will pull out but not go home until mid-2008, Casey said. That planning is expected to include the possibility of a significant reduction in U.S. forces.

He said he could not be more specific in numbers or timeframe, nor did he say how a reduction would be achieved. Sending fewer or smaller units to Iraq is one possibility; shortening the time each unit spends in Iraq is another.

The military has not selected which units will serve in Iraq during that rotation. They would replace the Army’s 4th Infantry and 101st Airborne divisions, which are slated to go to Iraq in the coming rotation.

The insurgency has forced the United States to keep a semi-permanent force of 138,000 troops, or 17 brigades, in Iraq since the U.S.-led invasion two years ago. They are primarily Army soldiers and Marines, members of units who stay in Iraq for a year before going home.

About 150,000 U.S. troops are in Iraq now because 12,000 extra were sent for security during the Jan. 30 elections. The additional forces are scheduled to leave within two weeks.

Another 22,700, all non-Iraqi troops are also in the country, a number that has been dropping as more countries have pulled out forces.

Sen. Chuck殷森, D-N.J., introduced the plan last month. If adopted, the bill would bring the state $75 million a year by taking it away from six of the state’s seven counties with casinos. Senate Appropriations Chairman Robert Menendez, D-N.J., confirmed Thursday. Early draft of that plan was first reported Wednesday by The Courier-Journal of Louisville, Ky.
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all of the logistics are still up to you," she said.

The Career Center hosts several fairs throughout the year in order to help students meet potential employers. In January, the Winter Career Fair boasted 140 employers. Over 2,000 students attended.

Thorup said hundreds of phone and on-site interviews took place throughout the year, but roughly 150 students — a very high figure — were actually granted on-campus interviews for internship positions as a result of the fair. "Typically employers don't come to campus for internships," she said.

Junior Katherine Exline found summer employment at the Winter Career Fair.

Exline, a psychology and pre-professional student, was granted a job as a counselor at Camp Sweeney, a stay-over camp for children with diabetes. She first heard about the camp in an e-mail, and attended the career fair, where camp representatives interviewed her on the spot.

"It'll be a good opportunity for me because it brings together medicine and children which are two fields I am interested in," Exline said.

Students are starting career exploration much earlier, Thorup said. Many sophomores attended the career fair and are hoping to obtain internship positions this summer.

For unpaid internships in Indiana, the Indiana Careers Consortium provides a $3,000 stipend to students. "It's opened a lot of possibilities for students," Thorup said. Some students have found employment and internship opportunities without using the Career Center's databases.

Megan Hager, a junior biology major, said she acquired a summer internship through her experience on campus as a Teach for America (TFA) Representative. She will spend the summer in Texas as the Operation Coordinator for Houston Summer Institute, performing office jobs in schools where TFA teachers will be teaching kids. Hagery hopes to get accepted into a two-year low-housing teaching program after graduation.

"I hope to gain experience through this internship," she said. "It will provide me with a good insight into the training I will receive as a TFA teacher.

As application deadlines draw near, Thorup said students still have time to apply for internships. More opportunities will be available to students in the upcoming weeks, including the Non-Profit Career Fair on March 22 and the Chicago Career Connection on April 4.

Thorup also said that whether students return to a Career Center posting online, use network connections with alumni or relatives or contact an employer directly, the best advice she has for students is "don't be afraid to be aggressive.

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Fla. court fights for woman's life

Family, Senate battle over feeding tube

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Last-ditch efforts to block the removal of Terri Schiavo's feeding tube foundered Thursday as courts rebuffed her parents' appeals and lawmakers failed to agree on legislation to intervene in the contentious battle to keep the severely brain-damaged woman alive.

Under court order, the feeding tube was set to be removed at 1 p.m. Friday, in what could be the final act in the long-running right-to-die drama.

The Florida House passed a bill 78-27 to block the withholding of food and water from patients in a persistent vegetative state who did not leave specific instructions regarding their care. But hours later, the Senate defeated a different measure 21-16, and one of the nine Republicans voting against indicated that any further votes would be futile.

"As far as we're concerned we don't want anything to change the existing law," said Sen. Jim King.

The Florida attorney general's office usually defends the state against habeas filings. A call to the office late Thursday seeking comment was not immediately returned.

Schiavo suffered severe brain damage in 1996 when her heart stopped because of a chemical imbalance, and court-appointed doctors say she is in a persistent vegetative state.

"It would be such a horrible tragedy for Terri to have this delayed again," said George Felos, attorney for Michael Schiavo. "Either Terri's rights and wishes are going to be carried out tomorrow at 1 p.m. or there is going to be another unconstitutional intervention."

Doctors have said it could take a week or two for Schiavo to die once the tube that delivers water and nutrients is removed.

Republican Gov. Jeb Bush has strongly urged the Legislature to pass a bill that would save Schiavo, as it did in 2003. That law allowed Bush to order doctors to restore Schiavo's feeding tube six days after it had been removed. But that law was later declared unconstitutional by the Florida Supreme Court.

Bush acknowledged Thursday that state legislation to intervene was halted.

"The bill is certainly not dead, but it does appear that they're having some difficulty," he said. "I'm just disappointed, but that's their decision."

The state Senate could consider the House version of the bill on Friday, but the bill's sponsor in the upper chamber, Republican Sen. Daniel Webster, suggested there was so little support that he might withdraw it.

"I can count votes," Webster said.

In Washington, both the U.S. House and Senate passed bills to move the case to federal court, but the effort stalled over differences between House Republicans and members of both parties in the Senate over how sweeping it should be. Schiavo's parents and brother spent the day in the Capitol lobbying lawmakers to pass some kind of legislation.

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THE BUSINESS

Corporations oust executives

WorldCom, Boeing search for new CEOs after string of corporate scandals

NEW YORK — Wanted: Chief executive to lead company. Must be proficient in accounting and finance, values being a team-player, understands current regulatory environment. The new executive won’t get paid — just do the job.

The guilty-on-all-counts verdict Tuesday for WorldCom Inc. CEO Bernard Ebbers was a dramatic example, but just one of several instances in many forums where the kiosks and queues if history have been called sharply to account.

No one is expecting CEOs to fade into the backdrops of corporate health. Results are expected.

Executives are being reminded to put their businesses, their employees and their shareholders first — and to be responsible for how their companies operate, however.

Ebbers was convicted of engineering the colossal accounting fraud that sank his billion-dollar-plus corporate company, leaving thousands of employees, customers and investors hanging and leading to the biggest corporate bankruptcy in U.S. history.

He relied on the "I didn't know even though I was the CEO" defense in his trial. But the jury didn't buy that the man who was the face and face of WorldCom didn't have a hand in the manipulation.

The jury's decision can be read this way: CEOs can't "be" the company one day and then, the next, try to dwell on what happened at the company.

A similar judgment is coming from shareholders, who got badly burned as a result of the corporate scandals in recent years. Now, they are taking a more active role in making sure the CEO's role is better defined, and that boards pick the right executives to fill it.

At Walt Disney Co., protests from shareholders led to CEO Michael Eisner losing his title of board chairman last year, and likely pushed the company's directors to come up with a successor in a timely fashion.

Disney president Bob Iger this week was tapped to succeed Eisner in October, and is expected in bring him a less tyrannical, more welcoming management style.

For their part, boards are stepping up their oversight, too, and not just acting as rubber stamps for executives' agendas. In large part that's because they know that they could be personally liable for what goes wrong during their watch.

This week, American International Group Inc. confirmed the retirement of Hank Greenberg, who ruled as an iron-fisted CEO for 37 years at the insurance and financial services company that now faces a regulatory probe.

Should a CEO compromise ethics, boards aren't besting to show him the door. Boeing Co.'s board quickly removed CEO Harry Stonecipher earlier this month after he acknowledgged an affair with a female Boeing executive, which included graphic e-mails exchanged between the two.

And most importantly, the boards are moving away from their own love affair with superior executives — those who seem to spend as much time promoting themselves as the companies they work for — and more toward smart, qualified candidates who can build shareholder value.

They want people who can connect with employees up and down the ranks, and who favor a more open-door approach. A CEO that is inflammatory at the top won't hear about troubles brewing down below.

Group acquires Toys "R" Us stores

NEWARK, N.J. — Toys "R" Us Inc., the nation's second-largest toy seller, agreed Thursday to be acquired for about $7.75 billion by an investment group that includes two private-equity firms and a real estate developer, ending a seven-month auction for a struggling company.

Its shares jumped nearly 5.5 percent.

The Wayne-based company had announced in August that it would seek to separate its sluggish toy business from the smaller, but more lucrative, Babies "R" Us division.

Instead, the company agreed to be swallowed whole by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co., Bain Capital LLC and Vornado Realty Trust, who will be equal partners.

"We look forward to building on the many strengths of the company to make the stores a better place to shop and work," said Michael M. Calbert, a director at KKR. "KKR is the storied buyout firm that won the celebrated takeover battle for RJR Nabisco in the late 1980s."

Matt Levin, a managing director at Bain Capital, said, "Toys "R" Us and Babies "R" Us are premiere businesses with strong global brand recognition and a collection of high quality product offerings."

The consortium will acquire all shares of Toys "R" Us for $26.75 a share, an 8 percent premium over Wednesday's close. With roughly 215 million Toys "R" Us shares outstanding, the bid is worth $5.72 billion.

Toys "R" Us shares jumped $1.36 to $27.13 in late morning trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

The buyers are also assuming an undisclosed amount of debt.

Toys "R" Us had been a public company since 1972. Completion of the deal requires regulatory review and approval by the shareholders, and is expected to occur by July, the company said.

Toys "R" Us, second only to Walmart Stores Inc. in toy sales, announced in August it would separate its toy business from the Babies "R" Us segment, but did not say how.

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The Hispanic Law Students' Association cordially invites the Notre Dame community to attend this year's Graciela Olivarez Award Ceremony Saturday, March 19, 2005

This prestigious award is given in honor of Graciela Olivarez, the first Hispanic and first female to graduate from NDLs. The Award is bestowed each year upon a Hispanic lawyer or judge who best exemplifies Graciela Olivarez's commitment to community service, demonstration of the highest ethical and moral standards, and dedication to justice. This year's recipient is Mercedes Colwin, Partner, Correspondent, & Community Activist.

Award Ceremony begins at 11:00 am in the Law School Courtroom
New study finds coeds crave T.V.

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Classes? What classes?

A study reveals that college students watch an average of three hours, 45 minutes of television each day.

Viewing peaks in the late-night hours for college males, interrupting any cramming for exams, according to a report by Nielsen Media Research, the primary service for measuring TV audiences. "It was a little more than I expected it to be," said Pat McMahon, Nielsen's senior vice president of planning, policy and analysis.

But, it's less, by about an hour, than the amount of time average American spends watching TV each day, Nielsen said.

College viewing was something of a final frontier for Nielsen. The company has been able to track the TV habits of college-age men and women when they're living at home, but until last fall had no reliable measurement of what students were watching in their dorms, fraternity or sorority, or college apartments.

TV networks are eager to see this information. Young people, particularly young men, represent a demographic for which some advertisers will pay a premium, and Nielsen's data can prove whether a show draws an audience.

For college men, the ten most-watched programs last October were all baseball games, primarily postseason games involving the Boston Red Sox as the team marched to its first World Series championship in 86 years. For college women, their favorite show in October was NBC's "Tory." Nielsen said the women also liked ABC's short-lived "Life As We Know It" set in a high school.

In an era when many people watch television alone, it was different in dorms: A large amount of college students watch with their roommates and others, meaning they have to negotiate over which programs to tune in, Nielsen said.

By almost 2-to-1, college students watched more shows on cable rather than broadcast television. It's much closer among the audience as a whole.

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Peterson prosecutors reveal details of case

Associated Press

MODESTO — The prosecutor and detectives who helped send Scott Peterson to death row made their most in-depth public comments on the case Thursday, acknowledging "taking a hit" early in the trial but expressing relief that they were eventually able to prevail.

Authorities discussed the case hours after Peterson, secured with leg irons and shackles around his wrists and waist, was taken to death row at San Quentin State Prison. Peterson was formally sentenced to death Wednesday at an emotional hearing.

"There will never be a time we won't regret that this incident took place, but justice has been served," said Prosecutors said

"There is not a sense of joy or jubilation. The job that needed to be done has been done," said Prosecutors.

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When that little devil and miniature angel sat on opposite shoulders to advise me, it seems like the devil’s seductions are always more persuasive. So it follows that religious institutions divide teaching about faith in similar terms — easy or difficult to gain heavenly rewards or walk on the damnation awaiting sinners.

Human nature, such as it is, inevitably responds more vociferously to temptations, especially concomitant with the diagest of abominations. Ultimately, American clergy appeal us with their rules to what is wrong with our society to understand and objectively as possible. Unwittingly, editors replace the opinion of the majority of the people with their own, often misguiding and often misrepresenting God’s word. I have heard great homilies in my time, and Doctor and Dr. Lyle V. “Buck” Eupus has been one of my favorite preachers when he spoke about God’s word. He was a great preacher who had a way with words. He would often use analogies and metaphors to explain complex concepts in a way that was easy to understand.

Deacon Nicholas delivered his homily on the theme of the Pope’s visit to the Pope. He used the Pope as an example of a man who lived a life of integrity and service to others. He spoke of the importance of following the Pope’s lead and being an example of his faith and values. Deacon Nicholas’s homily was thought-provoking and left a lasting impression on me.

I have always been fascinated by the Pope’s visits to the United States. The Pope is a man of great influence and has a profound impact on the world. His visits are always an opportunity to learn more about his values and beliefs. I have always been impressed by the Pope’s dedication to helping those in need and his commitment to social justice. He is a man of great compassion and has a profound understanding of the human condition. I am always moved by his words and his example.

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Examine Christian traditions

I appreciated Holly James’ Mar. 16 article “Consider it Christian” because she touches on the important issue within the larger discussion of Christianity (as well as probably most other religions). What I refer to is the conservative vs. liberal debate. I have lately become frustrated with such labels, not because they do not help you to gauge where someone stands but in the way that they seem to me to be somehow irrelevant. The much more important question to ask is whether the stance is Christian or not, and to look closely at many of the discussions and people here at Notre Dame, is the stance Catholic or not.

This change in semantics brings the discussion in questions of orthodoxy and heterodoxy which get much more to the heart of the matter. Each of these labels (orthodox and liberal) do little to help us understand if the stance of theological orthodoxy (in the most common usage) is adhering to an orthodox view or a heterodox view because heresies (yes, I used that nasty, forbidden word) can go both ways as they have through the history of the Church and continue to do so today when you come across a Mass said in Latin on Saturday morning and want to write it off as the product of old-folk conservative wantings to return to the days before Vatican II, ask yourself if your view is a perfectly acceptable and approved way to celebrate the Eucharist, or when you walk by those protesting the boycott of Taco Bell restaurants on their campuses and ask yourself if this is the stance (or for that matter the particular issue but because they seem to me to be somehow irrelevant). The Church could contain zero. Despite the fact that we do not accept zero and see their faith destroyed and this is not a thing that we can even imagine. No other number can exist, then Aristotle’s theory is flawed at a very fundamental level. The Catholic idea of solidarity means that the Catholic idea of solidarity means that the Catholic idea of solidarity.

And yet such a semantic change does not mean that we do not have judges and events and actions such as abortion or oppression economic policies or beliefs but rather that our judgment is put in its proper place: the tradition of the Church instead of in our own opinions, which whether conservative or liberal can quite easily become wrong and heretical. The biggest question and gap is not initially political but on our own personal preferences but on whether or not we are following Christ and the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Shannon Berry
March 17

'Ach and 'chep'

Taco Bell boycott finally ends

On March 5, history was made. The three-year national boycott against Taco Bell ended after Taco Bell and its parent company, Yum Brands, agreed to meet the demands of the fast-food workers who pick the tomatoes they use in their products. The Coalition of Immokalee Workers was demanding a one cent increase for every pound of tomatoes that Taco Bell buys to nearly double the salary of tomato pickers who had to pick two tons to earn $50 and had been earning the same wages since 1974; a strict code of conduct that guarantees that there are no violations of U.S. law. This code requires that employees and obligates Taco Bell to cut contracts with companies who violate the code; and three-way dialogue between Taco Bell/Yum, the tomato companies and farmworkers to continue to improve wages and conditions for farmworkers and to take pressure on other corporations to take responsibility as well.

The agreement is historical because never before had a small group of farmworkers been able to bring to the table a huge corporation like Taco Bell and Yum Brands, which is the largest fast food industry in the world, which also sets a tremendous precedent in the movement for fair food and corporate responsibility. The victory last year is also not just a victory for the farmworkers but for the social justice/labor movement and for us as students and continues to play a tremendous role in this campaign because we understood that the struggle was also our struggle. While on the one hand, corporations like Taco Bell benefit from the exploitation of workers at all levels of their production chain, these corporations also exploit us by the “New H puddle’s Cash Out” and claiming that we are mindless consumers who do not care about what is behind the products we consume.

The student pressure in this struggle proved that students do not accept products that are produced under conditions of exploitation and modern day slavery. Twenty-two universities cut contracts with Taco Bell or prevented Taco Bell restaurants on their campuses since the begin­ning of the boycott. Notre Dame was one of those schools.

And so I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in this struggle: thank the administration for standing behind our principles of Catholic Social Teaching, for listening to our con­cerns and taking action to cut our athletic con­tract with Taco Bell. I think about the staff and the students who supported our efforts and discussed the boycott in their classrooms to raise awareness. I thank all the students who in one way or another participated in the struggle: whether it was by signing a petition wearing a button, protesting/lying outside of the local Taco Bell, going on hunger strike or just telling someone else about the boycott.

There is no doubt that our campaign and sacrifice has had part to play in the larger movement that now has proven results. But the victory against Taco Bell is only one battle — an important one, but only one, nonetheless.

The struggle for justice for farmworkers and fair food continues and now is the time to continue to build momentum. We are left with the task of looking back and observing this new history, being a part of the writing of this history. For more information on what’s next and how to get involved, visit: www.ciw-online.org.

Melody Gonzalez
Pasquella Easi
March 17

The Observer

Zero changed the world

The USS Yorktown was a billion-dollar missile carrier. Warships like it are designed to withstand the strike of a tor­pedo or the blast of a mine. Though it was heavily armored against physical attacks, no one ev­en thought to defend the Yorktown from zero. On Sept. 21, 1997, while cru­sing off the coast of Virginia, zero missed, and 80,000 horsepower became worthless. The Yorktown’s computers had just received new software to run its engines. Unfortunately, a single zero that was supposed to be removed from the computer system was left by the engineers. It lay hidden until the ship’s computer system tried to divide by zero, and everything shut down.


Two often, we have not paid attention to our history and the evolution of concepts. In particular, the concept of nothing or zero has important implications for how our society has been and where it is going.

It is difficult for us to imagine it today, but there was a point in time when nothing wasn’t anything at all. Dr. Robert Kaplan writes in his book, “The Nothing That Is,” that zero first appeared in the Babylonian civilization around 300 B.C.

The zero did not respond favorably to this Eastern concept. The most im­portant reason for the West rejecting zero is that it broke the rules of mathematics established by Western civilization.

One of these basic rules is the axiom of Archimedes, which states that if you add a number to itself enough times, it will exceed any other number in magni­tude. We see that 1 + 1 = 2 and 1 + 1 + 1 = 3. However, this is not true of zero. Add zero to itself, and all you get is zero. Zero refuses to change. Because of this, the West could not accept it for nearly two millennia.

Mathematics was not the only area in which zero clashed with Western life. Zero challenged the West’s belief in God. Aristotle wrote a theory to justify the existence of God. In that theory, he rea­soned that there was no such thing as nothing, thus something had to have created the heavens and the Earth. Something must be moving the sun, the stars and the moon, and that something was God.

Christianity adapted Aristotle’s theory to much of early Christian theology. Everything was fine until the 1500s when Renaissance thinkers redefined zero and realized that if nothing existed, then Aristotle’s theory is flawed at a very fundamental level. The Catholic Church was left with two choices: Either accept zero and see their faith destroyed or respect it and preserve their theology. They chose the latter and zero soon became labeled as a device of heretics, and the teaching of it was banned by the church. However, not even the Catholic Church could contain zero. Despite the Papal ban, the teaching of zero contin­ued and eventually the West was forced to accept this most dangerous of all con­cepts.

Ultimately, Seife puts it best when he reminds us that, “No other number can do such damage. Computer failures like the one that struck the Yorktown are just a faint shadow of the power of zero. Cultures have grinded against it, and philosophies have crumbled because of it. This why it has been feared, hated and even sought.

Learning from the Yorktown and from past civilizations, the zero is not a thing to be feared. It should be revered.

This column originally appeared in the daily publication of Kansas State University, the Kansas State Collegian, on March 17.

The views expressed in this article are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Forty years ago, the members of Ladysmith Black Mambazo could not have dreamed they would end up where they are today.

It isn’t easy for a group to carve its own niche in the musical world, but this is exactly what Mambazo has done. Their unique music, strongly based in the traditional South African style called isicathamiya, can easily be recognized wherever it is played, and it is played often. Since being catapulted to world fame in 1986 with their performance on Paul Simon’s “Graceland” album, Mambazo has performed for Noble Peace Prize ceremonies, movie soundtracks, commercials for Life Savers, 7-Up and Heinz Ketchup, Sesame Street and on numerous other occasions. In between performances the group has released numerous albums. The group has also performed with American artists including Stevie Wonder, Dolly Parton, George Clinton and Ben Harper.

In 1987, the group won a Grammy Award for Best Traditional Folk Art Album for “Shaka Zulu,” their first United States album release. Mambazo was awarded another Grammy for Best Traditional World Music Album on Feb.

Mambazo’s roots go back to the mines of their native South Africa where isicathamiya was born. Under apartheid many black South African men were forced to leave their homelands and find work, and often lived in large barracks or dormitories. The men often formed choirs and competed against each other in contests as a way to pass the time and remind them of their homes.

“It was important to sing about their homes and families when living in these inhumane conditions,” professor of anthropology and ethnomusicologist Greg Downey said. “These contests were amazing. Because of curfews on weekend nights the men had to go to the barracks before curfew started and leave in morning, so they went on all night.”

Mambazo also competed in the contests, but was so good that the singers were soon asked not to enter the competitions. They were of course welcome to come and entertain.

The name Ladysmith Black Mambazo came about as a result of their success in competition. “Ladysmith” is the hometown of former farmer and factory worker Joseph Shabalala, the founder of the group. “Black” refers to black oxen, considered to be the strongest animals on the farm. “Mambazo,” a Zulu word for ax, refers to the group’s ability to chop down their competition.

There are several things that set Mambazo apart from their fellow isicathamiya musicians as well as other genres of music. Mambazo’s polished harmonies and ability to meld their voices tightly together were not the only thing that distinguished them in competition. Mambazo has the ability to be loud and joyous, but also performs softer and subtler numbers than many of their peers were able to do.

American music often emphasizes tenor voices, but Mambazo’s sound is characterized by the rich and full bass. Although Shabalala himself often sings higher parts, the majority of the group often sings a complicated bass harmony that sounds new and original compared to most choirs.

Mambazo’s music is a point of pride for many South Africans, not least because it represents a sort of artistic victory over apartheid. Mambazo’s success is proof that the regime, which was so devastating to so many people, was still unable to silence the artistic voice.

Their music is not strictly traditional, but the vocal style and many of the other elements certainly reflect their home.

“There are rural elements, like a distinctive call boys will make to call cattle,” Downey said. “These are elements that remind South Africans of life in the rural countryside.”

As members of the original group have retired, Shabalala has begun to recruit members of his own family to fill in the ranks and keep the group performing. Four of his sons now perform with the group.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo is only one of several institutions of the musical world to visit Notre Dame this year, but they are certainly one of the most unique. Students who get a chance to go are certainly in for a fantastic show.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo will perform Sunday at the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts at 8 p.m. Tickets cost $15 for students, $26 for seniors, $28 for faculty and staff and $35 for the general public.

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IN A RHYTHM
Galen Loughrey focuses on his first Bengal Bouts title
Loughrey dancing way toward first Bouts title

Club president, Dillon RA eager to finish senior season on a winning note

By ERIC RETTER
Sports Writer

In the past four years, Galen Loughrey has spent lots of time moving, honing the precision of his lefts and rights, growing into a rhythm and learning to take control of his partner. A lot of it has been done outside of the boxing ring.

Loughrey, the senior president of the boxing club, has also been an active dancer during his time at Notre Dame, both recreationally and as a member of the Ballet Folklorico, which performs every year at events such as Latin Expressions.

"Dancing has been something I've picked up a lot more here at Notre Dame," he said. "I danced before but here it fostered the environment to dance even more. There's a lot more people with that same interest."

Undoubtedly, Loughrey recognizes that his time on the dance floor can profoundly strengthen his work in the boxing room.

"Muhammad Ali, they considered the environment to dance around the ring," he said. "I get to go to the boxing room and think of when people develop and to be able to add something to the development of somebody else," he said.

With this in mind, it comes no surprise in addition to his leadership responsibilities for the boxing club, Loughrey also serves as a resident assistant in Dillon Hall. Where he can even more comprehensively nurture the environment around him towards a greater community character.

"When I am in my room, I always keep my door open just for my residents in case they want to stop by," he said. "Judging strictly by his leadership positions, discipline seems to play a strong role in Loughrey's approach to his day-to-day life. Indeed, he has always tried to use his time well and to make his work as constructive as possible, and since becoming a boxer, that sense has only grown stronger."

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His boxing career began conventionally enough for a Notre Dame fighter, stemming in large part from an athletic curiosity in the mind of a freshman former athlete. In four years, however, that curiosity has developed itself into a definitive facet of his student life.

"Now, it's become almost like a religion for me, you get up with that expectation. "Oh yeah, I get to go to the boxing room today," he said.

Perhaps the biggest draw that room had for Loughrey doesn't even involve the workout or the gloves, but the other people inside. Daling back to his upbringing in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Loughrey has always had an affinity for a community based way of life.

"Looking back on everything, I like to have people around me, because I think it's nice to see when people develop and to be able to add something to the development of somebody else," he said.

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Galen Loughrey, left, blocks a shot from Mike Rooney in their 155 lb. quarterfinal bout March 3. Loughrey will fight Mike Panzica in the finals Saturday night.

"More than anything, Notre Dame has come to mean giving, were all giving something, but I think at Notre Dame you learn how to give even more," he said. "There are so many different ways that you can give, I think that reflects a lot in the community building." While he may already have ideas of himself as doctor or family man, Loughrey has by no means overlooked his final weeks as a Notre Dame boxer. Through his three previous tournaments, Loughrey has yet to win a Bengal Bouts title, losing in a first-round split decision as a freshman before falling in the semifinals his sophomore and junior year. While he looks forward to competing for a championship this year, Loughrey has already reached his loftiest boxing goals.

"My biggest achievement this year has been to see the amount of people who have stuck through with it and who have done well, especially first year boxers," he said. "It's always a dream to be there at the finals, but more than anything, it's been well worth it."

This year, whether Galen Loughrey the boxer wins or loses in this year's Bengal Bouts, Galen Loughrey the man has already come out of the experience dancing, with his head held deservedly high.

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A family affair

Kevin Kerrigan and son Colin have both won multiple Bengal Bout titles

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Editor

Colin Kerrigan was only in high school when he learned what so many boxers before him had found out the hard way.

"My dad had his hands up, I was hitting him and it was getting to the point where I was actually hurting his hands," said Kerrigan, a senior and two-time Bengal Bout champion.

"He was telling me to stop and I wasn't stopping because I was having so much fun. He kept warning me and eventually he hit me. I fell to the ground with the breath knocked out of me and I learned my lesson." As he hit the floor that day a few years back, Colin's name was added to the list of men who had challenged their fathers' boxing skills — and ended up on their backs.

His dad, Class of 1972 alum Kevin Kerrigan, slugged his way to three Bengal Bout championships in the early 1970s. He was known around campus for his fierce punch and aggressive style.

"I would just go out there whaling," Kevin said. "I was more of a fighter than I was a boxer.

More than 30 years after Kevin decided to join the Notre Dame boxing club, Colin finished up his Bengal Bout career Wednesday night when he was upset by Brian Nicholson in the 165 lb. semi-finals.

"I'm the youngest of five boys. It was interesting having so many older brothers. You get beat up a lot and you get used to getting hit a lot," Colin Kerrigan, a senior and boxing champ, said.

Despite this setback, the Kerrigans' five Bengal Bout championships solidify their place as one of the best father-son boxing tandems in school history.

"Yeah, I'll give that a try," Colin said.

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126-pounds

PETE SARPONG VS. DANIEL GALLEGOS

PICKS
MATT PUGLISI
Sarpong
MIKE GILLOON
Gallegos
KATE GALES
Sarpong
BOBBY GRIFFIN
Gallegos

Quick-fisted Peter Sarpong will square up against Daniel "Too Short" Gallegos in the featherweight division. Sarpong operates with a fast pace, throwing a multitude of left jabs to set up his quick, inside right hooks.

Gallegos will have to overcome a slight reach differential if he wants to win the bout. He did so in his semifinal match against Steve Buchanan with powerful, efficient right hooks and strong jabs.

With Sarpong and Gallegos each winning unanimous decisions in their semifinal fights, this match has all the potential of lasting the full three rounds. Sarpong will hope to have a better final round than he did in his last bout, where he let David Rovinski take control for the final minute.

130-pounds

JON VALENZUELA VS. THOMAS GOLDRICK

PICKS
MATT PUGLISI
Goldrick
MIKE GILLOON
Valenzuela
KATE GALES
Goldrick
BOBBY GRIFFIN
Valenzuela

Long-armed Thomas Goldrick fights Jon Valenzuela in the 130 lb. final. Valenzuela has decisively beaten his opponents with strong, but wild, right-handed hooks in prior matches. Goldrick will try to capitalize when Valenzuela misses with his own powerful right jabs. Goldrick has shown the ability to deliver punishing blows even when his extension is limited.

Valenzuela moves around the ring quickly, and that quickness will be important in the final. Goldrick works his opponents best with his effective series of rights and, especially when he forces them into a corner. Valenzuela will look to deliver a quick body shot whenever he gets cornered, as he did in his semifinal, and then turn away from the punches.

155-pounds

MIKE PANZICA VS. GALEN LOUGHREY

PICKS
MATT PUGLISI
Loughrey
MIKE GILLOON
Panzica
KATE GALES
Loughrey
BOBBY GRIFFIN
Panzica

Mike Panzica fights Galen Loughrey in the final of the 155 lb. weight class. Panzica will look to keep his hands up better than he did in the semifinal and continue his trend of effective right hooks.

Loughrey's long reach will help him exploit any poor positioning of Panzica's hands. Loughrey showed a commitment to keeping his elbows tucked in during his semifinal match against Chris Calderone, rarely throwing outside punches.

However, Panzica may have the advantage if the fight goes the distance. Loughrey was shaky in his third round but Panzica won his fight with a great final round performance.

160-pounds

MARK BASOLA VS. BOBBY GORYNSKI

PICKS
MATT PUGLISI
Basola
MIKE GILLOON
Basola
KATE GALES
Gorynski
BOBBY GRIFFIN
Gorynski

In the first semifinal match of the 160 lb. weight division, top-seeded Mark "Turn the Other cheek" Burns. Basola showed little mercy for his opponent Adam "Steel Ghost" Burns. Basola withstood a third-round rally from Burns to secure a unanimously decided victory.

The junior will take on Bobby "The Polish Pistol" Gorynski in the finals. Gorynski came out firing against Morrissey junior Daniel Liem. Liem's quick feet could not save him from Gorynski's powerful right hand, and the judges ruled unanimously in favor of the Polish Pistol. Gorynski will need all his strength to outdue Basola.

180-pounds

JIM CHRISTOFORETTI VS. DOUG BARTELS

PICKS
MATT PUGLISI
Christoforetti
MIKE GILLOON
Bartels
KATE GALES
Christoforetti
BOBBY GRIFFIN
Christoforetti

The 180 lb. weight class final pits technically sound Doug Bartels against hard hitting Jim Christoforetti.

Bartels is lightning quick and displayed effective combinations in routing Dana Collins in the semifinal. He also counterpunches well, knocking Collins down on a counterpunch in the first round of that fight.

Christoforetti hits like a train but is prone to use long arm movements and can be caught with his hands down by quicker fighters. He will try to land a few punches early and daze the faster Bartels. Even if he fails at this, his confidence and toughness will keep him fighting back until the last bell sounds.

200-pounds

BILLY ZIZIC VS. JOHNNY GRIFFIN

PICKS
MATT PUGLISI
Zizic
MIKE GILLOON
Griffin
KATE GALES
Griffin
BOBBY GRIFFIN
Griffin

The 200 lb. weight class features the quickness of Johnny Griffin against the precision of Billy Zizic. Griffin, who got a bye all the way to the semifinals, shows no mercy to his opponents and will try to attack the entire fight. His flurries of punches come early and often, but his accuracy is questionable.

Zizic, on the other hand, is an extremely accurate boxer. However, he has been caught flat-footed and may be vulnerable to Griffin's attacks.

His counterpunching has been effective, but it will not matter if he can't avoid Griffin's attacks. He will try to hit Griffin with some early jabs to try to put the quicker fighter on his heels.
140-pounds

Mike McCann vs. Michael Hennig

The 140 lb. final pits Mike McCann against Michael Hennig. McCann relies heavily on his right hook to wear down opponents, but that may be his undoing in this match. While he has over-utilized his right, Hennig has proven that he can win with an effective combination of lefts and rights while keeping his elbows tucked in close to his chest.

Furthermore, Hennig's ability to block punches should open up offensive opportunities for him against McCann.

One of Hennig's problems against McCann may be the pace of the match. Hennig expended enormous energy early in his semifinal, but was able to survive a late comeback by his opponent Will Bezouska. He may not be so lucky against the durable McCann.

150-pounds

Nathan Lohmeyer vs. Tim Huml

In the 150 lb. final, Nathan "The Bonzai Kitten" Lohmeyer will fight quick-handed Tim Huml.

Lohmeyer's strongest asset is his excellent reach, which he uses well on jabs. His ability to counter Huml's hooks with jabs will play a key role in how the bout pans out, as Huml relies on his strong, outside rights against his opponents.

Those punches have proven to have limited accuracy, and Lohmeyer will try to land one of his big right hooks if Huml swings and misses early in the fight.

One area where Huml should have an advantage is if the fight lasts the entire three rounds. He won his semifinal match with a split decision thanks to a splendid third round.

165-pounds

Mark Desplinter vs. Brian Nicholson

Mark Desplinter will take on Brian "Honeyboy" Nicholson in the 165 lb. final. Both fighters are tall and rangy and have used this advantage to great effect in earlier rounds.

Their advantage will be gone in the final, however, as they are nearly the same height.

Desplinter is the better technical fighter, and has shown his toughness in outlasting Patrick McMorrow in the semifinal despite taking a flurry of punches in the first two rounds.

His weakness, also shown in that bout, is his inability to fight at close range.

If Honeyboy is able to adapt and attack Desplinter, he could win the fight.

170-pounds

Justin Alanis vs. Dan Ward

The 170 lb. weight class is home to the heart-wrenching story of Justin Alanis. Alanis, ranked number one in the class, broke his hand in the semifinal and will be forced to forfeit the championship.

He is a senior who trained four hours a day over the summer with undefeated professional middleweight Sechew Powell.

Alanis is now out of chances to fulfill his lifelong dream and win the Bouts.

Alanis' injury gives the title to Dan "Poundtown" Ward, who withstood two standing eight counts to beat Andrew Breslin in the semifinal.

HEAVYWEIGHT

Matt Hasbrook vs. Nathan Schroeder

The heavyweight final features former Irish defensive tackle Matt Hasbrook against Nathan Schroeder.

Hasbrook fights like a football player, relying on his strength to daze the other fighter before he can mount a counterattack.

His technique has been questionable, but he hits like a school bus.

Schroeder is more of a pure boxer.

He is aggressive, but he also blocks well.

If he can block an early flurry it could rattle Hasbrook.

He has displayed a lot of toughness throughout the tournament and should not be easily dazed even by Hasbrook's explosive crosses.
Aiming for perfection

Captain Mark DeSplinter shoots for his third Bengal Bout title in three tries

By BOBBY GRIFFIN
Associated Press Edition

Mark DeSplinter is used to adversity, even through his 9-0 career record would indicate otherwise.

Taking this undefeated mark into the finals this year, DeSplinter is the No. 1 seed in the 162 lb. weight class. He is a two-time champion as a 160 lb. fighter, and would likely be a three time winner had it not been for his decision to go abroad in London as a junior.

DeSplinter started off his career in a very impressive manner, with his two consecutive championships.


“Going into the fights, I knew I was in pretty good shape. I remember Pat Dillon (DeSplinter’s opponent who beat him in the semifinals) telling me that I had a pretty easy route into the semis, but after that I didn’t know if I was going to beat him.”

These wins are quite the accomplishments for a kid whose boxing career was very close to ending following his meteoric rise freshman year.

Early into DeSplinter’s sophomore year at Notre Dame, months before the Bouts started, DeSplinter was climbing over a broken bathroom stall when the door broke, splitting in half, and subsequently severing the champion’s foot.

DeSplinter looked down to find a deep gash above his right ankle, bleeding profusely, much worse than any right hook could possibly elicit.

“I almost cut my right foot off in December,” DeSplinter said. “There was like a wall that fell on my foot, that almost cut my foot off.

The sophomore had cut through three tendons and cracked a portion of the bone in his foot.

Confined to a cast, DeSplinter hobbled into the first day of practice focused on successfully coming off the injury and working hard to return to his previous form.

He did.

The boxer won his second consecutive Bengal Bout title only months later, against a fighter named Tom Pierce, a good friend of DeSplinters.

“I almost didn’t get to fight, but I annoyed the people enough to where they let me at least try,” DeSplinter said.

It’s not surprising that DeSplinter was able to come off this injury in such a successful manner.

Mark “Rambu” DeSplinter comes across as an intense worker, relentlessly jumping rope when few others are in the gym.

He carries himself with an air of confidence, but in a non-imposing way.

The boxer is friendly, but at the same time, he gives off the very focused attitude that you would expect from a skilled fighter.

DeSplinter laughs about his injury now, almost embarrassed for actually admit he injured his foot.

However, the senior becomes more serious when discussing the hard work he had to put in to defend his championship following the accident.

“That was one of the bigger things I’ve had to face. Losing boxers, coming back to practice the first day and not being able to go on the bags of feet, or run, or hop on my feet,” DeSplinter said. “There were a lot of times I just wanted to give up and say ‘screw this, I don’t want to do this.’

Of course, DeSplinter did not give up, and this dedication is part of the reason why he is so successful in the ring.

This year, DeSplinter is clearly focused on winning his third final in his three years of competition.

However, he realizes that the task is difficult.

“Our weight class is absolutely stacked, especially at the top,” DeSplinter said before Wednesday’s semifinal round. “(Patrick) McMorrow was really good. Brian Nicholson went to the Boston Colleges and Kerrigan has also won two Atlantic Championships,” DeSplinter said.

Brian “Honey Boy” Nicholson is DeSplinter’s most likely opponent in the semifinals.

“His right hand was broken just before a fight to win. He was afraid to spar and he didn’t want to be hit with it. It really gave him the fire I needed,” DeSplinter said.

“I just decided to try it out and I just kind of fell in love with it when I won. I just kind of fell in love with it when I won. I just kind of fell in love with it when I won.”

Many of Notre Dame’s sports fans will be crowding around their TVs to see who wins Saturday night.

“I think the year coming off the injury and work hard to get back on the balls of my feet, or hop on my feet, or get on the balls of my feet, and my hand was just killing me,” he said. “When I finally got my wrap off there was this huge bump on my hand where the bone was almost sticking out.

It was then that Alanis realized the stunning truth. His right hand was broken just before the finals. He would have to forfeit.

“DeSplinter has also learned valuable lessons from his boxing experience that he will take on when he takes off his gloves and steps out of the ring for good.

“Just kind of gives you the confidence you need to go through life.

There is a great,
Black eyes, bloody noses help poor

By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

The Saturday morning practices, hundreds of push-ups and struggles to learn a new technique are all worth it once a boxer feels his fist lifted by the referee to signal his victory. But win or lose, the sacrifices boxers make at Notre Dame are ultimately worth it for another, more lasting reason — the contributions they make to the Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh.

The black eyes will fade and the trophies will gather dust, but every Bengal Bouts participant, as well as every fan who buys a ticket, will know he or she changed lives for the better in one of the world’s poorest countries.

"I would say that the Bengal Bouts are quite unique," said Father Tom Smith, director of Holy Cross Missions. "The Holy Cross Mission has been in Bangladesh for more than 150 years now and the Bengal Bouts have been supporting that mission for 75 years."

The "philanthropic side" of Bengal Bouts is important to boxers as well, according to two-time captain Nathan Lohmeyer.

"All the money that we raise from ticket sales and from donations and merchandise sales goes to support the Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh," he said.

"The finance major is also able to explain how the money raised in the US can make such a significant difference in the lives of those in Asia."

"We raise on average, in the past, 55 grand a year," Lohmeyer explained. "One U.S. dollar converts, more or less, to 10 dollars in Bangladesh because of the exchange rates and the volume of the dollar."

The money is split evenly between the province of priests and the province of brothers that the Holy Cross Mission maintains in Bangladesh.

"They use the money according to what their priority projects among the poor are in the given year that they receive it," Smith said.

"The number of uses is innumerable," Smith said. "It depends on the year on what that money is actually given to, but it's really a very important source of support for the work our community does among the poor and the very poor in Bangladesh."

It funds a program we have for medical care for the indigent — the poorest of the poor — who have no other ways to get medical care," Smith said.

"In a culture very different from America, Bengal Bouts also assists young women in Bangladesh who are looking for jobs. Funding has been used in programs to support young women in terms of life skills training," said Smith.

"The swollen lips and sore knuckles will soon be forgotten, although the chipped teeth and dental bills could take more time to forget. But the main purpose of the Bengal Bouts — supporting those in need halfway across the world — now boasts 75 years of staying power."

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Knute Rockne would never have guessed it. The Notre Dame Boxing Club, a team he founded in 1923 for the primary purpose of keeping his football squad conditioned in the off-season, is now the largest collegiate boxing club in the country outside of the military academies, and arguably the most famous and visible intramural athletic program in America.

This year, the club celebrates the 75th anniversary of the Bengal Bouts, the annual boxing tournament first started in 1931 by Dominic "Nappy" Napolitano, a name deserving the same respect as Rockne, Parseghian and Leahy in the lore of Notre Dame athletic history for his efforts with the Bengal Bouts and the Boxing Club. In the half-century spanning their inception in 1931 through his retirement as coach in 1980, Napolitano put all his energy into the Bengal Bouts, and he came to personify the Notre Dame tradition he created.

"Nappy was the coach and the man, the childless Napolitano turned a countless number of fighters into his surrogate sons over the years," current Boxing Club director Dominic "Nappy" Napolitano said. "This was his life at Notre Dame.

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However, now is also a time to look forward.

Brandon's comment is echoed by many who have fought in the Bengals in their own way. "The Bengal Bouts have been a very important part of my life," said Mike McCann, a 1991 graduate and former boxing coach.

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"This year, the fundraising goal is $75,000. A dollar here is ten dollars there. We send over 50, 60, 70 thousand dollars. That's like a half a million dollars over there, so you can actually buy an awful lot of stuff and take care of an awful lot of people," Suddes said.

"The boxing reputation as one of the most demanding sports holds true, especially here in the boxing club," current Boxing Club president Galen Loughrey said.

Throughout these 75 years, thousands of young fighters have willingly traded countless hours of sweat and practice time for the opportunity to fight in the Bouts — an opportunity that ends each year in 4-and-a-half minutes or less for exactly half of them.

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"Where will this program be in 25 years? I could easily see this on TV, a little more coverage of the fights then," Suddes said. "I think this will be one of those great programs at Notre Dame that celebrates its 100th anniversary with a great night of fights and great kids coming through."

In all his years with the Bengal Bouts, one night from 1976 stands out clearly for Suddes, specifically the fight between lightweighters Jimmy Browner and Brandon Roemer, won by Roemer.

"It was the best fight I've ever seen in all these years. Those guys went at it toe-to-toe for three rounds. There were 10,000 people in the ACC who just stood up the whole time. Those guys just never gave an inch," Suddes said.

However, some details have been lost by memory.

"I honestly don't even remember who won. I'm not even sure who was there anymore. People were just standing and yelling and cheering," Suddes said.

And that's why they're still putting on the gloves.

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More action. The band continued to develop as Eric Stock joined the band on drums in 1997. Gueldner moved to bass and the band took on the shape it continues today.

Stroke 9 has released three albums entitle "Buy Meets Girl," "Humming Bumper" and "Nasty Little Thought," which went gold in 2000. Stroke 9 unquestionably has experience and will certainly rock the crowd at Legends.

Both Whild Peach and Stroke 9 are well known bands and will certainly rock the crowd at Legends. Both shows start at 10 p.m. and are open to all Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross students.

PAC REVIEW

Ronan Tynan’s performance powerful but lengthy

By BRANDON HOLLIHAN

A night of music provided by Ronan Tynan, Vince Gill and the Notre Dame Glee Club produced some powerful moments, but it could have definitely been prolonged the evening. It’s a shame too, because when they finally did make music together, they were fantastic; they gave an awesome rendition of Simon and Garfunkel’s "Bridge Over Troubled Waters," and more of that stuff - rather than an overdose of jokes and story sharing - would have been extreme, satisfying.

Tynan and Gill also used their music to relay their relationships with their families, and they did so very poignantly. Tynan performed "Passing Through," a song he wrote along with help from Byrne in tribute to his mother who alls from Alzheimer’s disease. In a recent Primetime Live interview, Tynan spoke about how his mother pushed him through his physical handicaps and struggles with lower limb disability, and how this song conveyed that the woman who guided him so valiantly could never enjoy all her son had accomplished. Meanwhile, Gill performed works dedicated to his father, including a hilarious anecdote about his mother verbally terrorizing dad all day long.

The Glee Club performed several traditional songs from the upper chorals of the Leighton, featuring Gabriel Torres, Colin Pogge and John Plister as soloists. Violinist Gregorgy Harrington also had the opportunity to perform a couple of well-known solo works. Byrne, for his part, kept everything in the orchestra running smoothly, as did Dan Snow with the Glee Club. The concert finished with some great encores, including U2’s "I Still Haven’t Found What I’m Looking For" and Tynan’s signature interpretation of "God Bless America."

All in all, it was quite a fun night, but it was also around eleven o’clock when the show ended, and picking up the pace wouldn’t have hurt things that much.

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Wisconsin-Milwaukee pulls off first upset of tourney

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Wisconsin-Milwaukee upended one of the nation's regulars, beating Alabama 83-73 Thursday to advance into the second round of the Chicago Regional.

McIntyre, the Horizon's player of the year whose college career has included stops at Northwestern and a junior college in Texas, arrived at the Wolstein Center with a freshly shaved head.

The senior psychology major did the same thing earlier this season before scoring 26 points in a first-round upset of Penn State.

"It was time to do it again," he said. "I did a lot of silly things earlier this season and the Crimson Tide didn't play their usual defense as the Panthers knocked them out of the tournament."

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Now everyone knows the Panthers. Tucker and Ed McCants scored 21 points apiece as Wisconsin-Milwaukee, whose players were briefly harassed from the bench after they couldn't produce their student-IDs, pulled off the first upset of the second round, beating Alabama 83-73 Thursday.

Trent Tucker, a forward who won here three weeks ago when the Eagles led by as many as 21 against Kentucky, said the Eagles didn't feel they have their swagger back.

"I knew he had it in him," teammate Eric Hicks said. "One, maybe, but not two.

With the 250-pound Maxie looking for the inside, Cincinnati showed a decidedly more physical game and threatened to run away from the Bearcats (25-7) advanced to Saturday's second round of NCAA tournament play against the second-seeded Wildcats' powerful inside game.

"I just felt comfortable with my range and shot it," he said. "I went in, so I decided to take a second one.

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"They're a very physical team," Colonels forward Michael Haney said. "(The Eagles) are very strong. He always kept a body on me and pushed me out of the post."
Giants slugger likely to miss opening day and more of early season

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds pushed his surgically repaired right knee so hard that the San Francisco Giants became concerned he might be doing too much. Yet, after 19 major league seasons, the team trusted Bonds knows his body best.

But on Thursday, Bonds underwent a second operation on the knee — a setback that makes it unlikely the slugger will be ready for opening day.

While the Giants offered no timetable for Bonds’ return, it took the seven-time NL MVP more time than expected to recover from the original surgery on the knee on Jan. 31.

“This is certainly a setback, and a significant one,” general manager Brian Sabean said. “Obviously, we didn’t know we would take a couple of days and he’d be fine. It’s not unusual in rehabbing. We felt it was a normal process.”

Bonds, 40, has undergone a second operation on the knee — a setback that might rule out the possibility of Bonds being ready for the opener on April 5 against the Dodgers, but said it is “not an unreasonable thing” to assume he’ll be sidelined past that date.

“I would be pretty incredible, but I’ve learned with Barry I never say he can’t do something,” Conte said from spring training at Scottsdale Stadium in Arizona.

The Giants said in a statement that Bonds had arthroscopic surgery to repair tears in the knee, similar to his earlier operation. Both procedures were performed in the Bay Area by Art Ting.

Bonds, 40, has “experienced periods of swelling in his knee following an incident when he accidentally hit his knee on a table at SBC Park Feb. 4. Neither rest nor his current rehabilitation program has helped alleviate the periodic swelling,” the Giants said in a release.

“This was a big blow to begin with and now it’s a bigger blow,” manager Felipe Alou said before the Giants played the Rangers in an exhibition game. “Now it’s real, he’s going to be out.”

Conte said the swelling initially was considered a normal part of Bonds’ recovery, but when it wouldn’t go away he knew something was wrong.

Bonds returned to San Francisco on Wednesday from spring training to be evaluated by Ting, and the process took all day, Conte said. An MRI showed “new tears that had to be addressed.”

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Players testify to Congress about steroids

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IN BRIEF

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Jason Giambi of the New York Yankees.

In a tense scene, Canseco sat at the same table as the other players as he told the lawmakers that he could not fully answer their questions because of concerns his testimony could be used against him. During a break after the players’ opening statements, five of the stars gathered in one nearby room, and Canseco went to another.

McGwire, choking back tears, said he knew that steroid use could be dangerous and would do whatever he could to discourage young athletes from using them.

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TUSSON, Ariz. — Going from plucky underdog to a favorite in the NCAA tournament hasn’t gone smoothly for Gonzaga.

Fourteenth-seeded Winthrop flirted with a Gonzaga-like upset against the third-seeded Bulldogs on Thursday night before the Zags grabbed control late and won 74-64 in the first round of the Albuquerque Regional.

"They had a swagger about them, they were playing with a great deal of confidence," Gonzaga coach Mark Few said about the Eagles. "It reminded me of our first one in 1999."

That year, the 10th-seeded Zags pulled off three stunning upsets of higher seeded teams before losing to No. 1 seed Connecticut in the West Regional final.

They were a 10th seed in 2003 and were a No. 9 seed in 2001, before losing in the first round. But they lost in the first round as a sixth seed in 2002, got beaten in the second round as a No. 9 seed in 2003 and were bounced out after two games as a No. 2 seed last year.

This year almost looked like another washout.

"They had the slipper on for a bit, but we tried to take it off and we did," said Adam Morrison, another washout.

"It set itself up pretty well for them to come in here and let it rip and they did," Few said about the Eagles. "We played a little tight at the start and to get through this one feels great. Hopefully, we'll play much better in the second round."

Neither team led by more than two points until late in the game, which was tied four times in the final 20 minutes.

J.P. Batista added 14 points and Bonny Turiaf had 13 points and 13 rebounds for Gonzaga.

Gonzaga (26-4), who are 0-5 all-time in the NCAA tournament, Phillip Williams tied his career high with 17 points and Craig Ehlo grabbed 11 rebounds.

Arizona 66, Utah State 53

If Arizona plays the way it did in the second half against Utah State, the Wildcats could be going deep into the NCAA tournament.

The Wildcats made a complete turnaround after halftime, quickly taking advantage of Utah State's three-point deficit and dominating the Aggies the rest of the way in a win Thursday in the Chicago Regional.

Arizona (28-6) apparently learned after losing in the opening round a year ago, when it blew a 14-point lead in the second half and lost to Seton Hall.

The Wildcats haven't lost consecutive first-round games since 1992 and '93.

"In the second half we picked it up and put pressure on them and made it more difficult for them to complete passes," Arizona coach Lute Olson said.

The Wildcats made it more difficult for the Aggies (24-8) to do much of anything in the second half, especially shoot. Utah State shot 53 percent from the field this season, but was just 8-for-30 (26.7 percent) in the second half Thursday.

Arizona kept turning the misses into easy points, getting the ball inside to Channing Frye as he scored 13 of his 17 points in the second half.

"Our defense definitely comes from our defense," Frye said. "That kind of takes the heart out of other teams and once we get those easy buckets we get confidence in the halfcourt."

Frye also pulled down 10 rebounds and had five blocks, four of them coming in the second half as the Wildcats ended all hopes of an upset for the Aggies.

Nevada 61, Texas 57

Nevada still has its NCAA tournament magic working.

The Wolf Pack made an improbable comeback in the final 2 minutes Thursday night, scoring the final eight points of the game against eighth-seeded Texas for their second straight first-round victory.

"This tournament can break your heart," first-year coach Mark Fox said. "At the end, everybody's going to be crying but one team."

The Wolf Pack (25-6) fed off last year's surprising run that sent them into the round of 16. They played with confidence, matching Texas for show, as they entered their NCAA tournament record at 2-3 and tied last season's victory total.

But reaching the regional semifinals a second straight time might take the biggest upset in school history. They will face top-seeded Illinois on Saturday.

What Nevada proved against Texas is that it can still do some postseason damage.

Wake Forest 70, Chattanooga 54

Chris Paul sat down on Wake Forest's bench to soak in the final seconds. He pulled on his warm-up top, leaned back and smiled.

The view was much better than he remembered it.

Paul had come back and made the Demon Deacons white.

"With him, it's like we're one big happy family again," said forward Eric Williams. "It's like the puzzle is complete."

Paul returned from a one-game suspension for punching a player and he and the second-seeded Demon Deacons shook off a horrible first half for a 70-54 win over Chattanooga in the NCAA tournament on Thursday night.

Paul scored 20 points — 15 in the second half — and added six rebounds and five assists to pace Wake Forest (27-4), which didn't play like one of the pre-tournament favorites until midway through the second half.

The Demon Deacons struggled with the Mocs (20-11), who threatened to become just the fifth No. 15 seed to win a first-round game since the tournament expanded in 1985.
ORLANDO, Fla. — In the midst of a six-game losing streak, the Orlando Magic decided it was time for a shake-up.

Coach Johnny Davis was fired Thursday, with the Magic missing closer to falling out of playoff contention. Assistant Chris Jent was named interim coach.

"Certainly it's not the way we would like things to play out," said general manager John Van Gundy. "But I still feel like we have our fate in our own hands.

"We're in trouble. We haven't won for like a week or so," Magic guard Steve Francis said after Wednesday night's game. "This is definitely our lowest point of the season. We just need to get back to playing the up-tempo style of game that we're used to."

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NBA

Shaq wins second straight matchup with Kobe

Associated Press

MIAMI — Shaquille O'Neal wanted nothing to do with Kobe Bryant. And Bryant soon may not want anything to do with Shaq's underside in Miami.

Dwayne Wade — pumped up by a comment Bryant made about the first half expired — scored eight of his 27 points in the fourth quarter, and O'Neal had a 25-point, 12-rebound game that helped lift the Miami Heat to a 102-89 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers on Thursday night.

His place in the talking. Wade added eight rebounds and five assists, then he pumped his fist in exultation as the final seconds wore down.

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"The outdoor and indoor portion of our season," Connelly said. "We want anything to do with Shaq's underside in Miami."

A partial squad of Irish track athletes will travel to the University of Arizona this weekend to open the outdoor portion of the Notre Dame women's track schedule at the Willie Williams Invitational.

Notre Dame will send sprinters, hurdlers and a few field athletes to the desert Friday night.

"Indoor is not the end of a season," Connelly said. "We don't start all over again when we go outside."
ND SOFTBALL

Irish set for yet another road trip

By JUSTIN SCHUVER  Senior Staff Writer

The Irish will put their five-game winning streak on the line as they head east this weekend to the Buckeye Invitational in Columbus, Ohio.

Notre Dame (11-7) will open the event with a game against Marshall Saturday at 2 p.m. and follow up with a match against Ohio State at 7 p.m.

The Irish close out play with games against Oakland (noon) and Eastern Michigan (2 p.m.) Sunday.

Heading into its spring break trip, Notre Dame was only 5-6, but the Hawaii Invitational allowed the Irish to find their offensive stroke. Notre Dame scored 25 runs in its four-game sweep at the tournament, and the Irish ended the trip with their second tournament title of the early season.

"Hawaii was good for us because we played well as a team," Irish coach Deanna Gumpf said. "We made things happen, our pitchers both did well and we did a really good job of minimizing our mistakes."

"Coming into Hawaii we were averaging two or three errors a game, and at Hawaii we played errorless ball — we didn't give our opponents any mistakes to take advantage of." At the Buckeye Invitational, Notre Dame will face one of the better teams in the Big Ten conference. Ohio State is 11-6 in 2005, and the Buckeyes are currently hitting .310 as a team.

"Ohio State can really hit," Gumpf said. "Their pitchers are pretty similar to what we've seen this year, but Ohio State really stands out because of their hitting and their speed on the basepaths. Marshall is another very fast team that really makes things happen with the baserunning game."

Notre Dame's other opponents don't appear as powerful as Ohio State, but for an Irish team that has struggled on offense this season, they're not likely to take anyone lightly.

Marshall (11-8) will face Notre Dame for the first time in history, with the Thundering Herd entering the matchup featuring top hitting Bandil Nelson, who has a .417 batting average. Notre Dame faces an opponent that they will see later in the season — the Irish face the Eagles at Ivy Field for a doubleheader on April 5.

Oakland (1-8) will face the Irish for the second time ever with Notre Dame winning the earlier meeting 12-0 on April 30, 2002. The Grizzlies have struggled offensively this season, hitting just .197 as a team.

A big reason for Notre Dame's turnaround this season has been the impressive play of junior Kellie Middleton, who missed 61 games last season due to injury, is second on the team in batting average with a .333 mark, and is a perfect 10-for-10 in the stolen base department.

"Middleton really got hot over spring break," Gumpf said. "Every time she gets on base you can see the other team get scared. We really believe in a team that if she gets on base then she's going to come around and score as well.

Middleton was recognized for her efforts, winning the Big East player of the week honors on March 14.

The Buckeye Invitational is Notre Dame's final road tournament of the season and the sixth consecutive weekend in which the Irish have had to travel.

The team will finally open its home season Wednesday.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Huskies give Romar extension

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Washington basketball coach Lorenzo Romar agreed to a new eight-year deal with the school Thursday after guiding the Huskies to their first No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

The terms and conditions of the deal that will keep him in Seattle through the 2012-2013 season will be released when Romar signs the contract. He was working under a six-year contract that paid him $700,000 a season.

"Lorenzo has done an unbelievable job of revitalizing Washington basketball and we felt this was the appropriate time to make the announcement that he will be our coach for a long time to come," Washington athletic director Todd Turner said in a statement.

"The announcement came before the Huskies' 88-77 victory over 16th-seeded Montana in a first-round tournament game in Boise, Idaho.

Washington went 27-5 this season, winning the Pac-10 tournament championship for the first time. The Huskies were eighth in the final Associated Press poll.

"I'm ecstatic," Romar said in a statement. "I would like to thank the administration, Todd Turner and our president, Mark Emmert, for believing in me. Whenever something like this happens, there is always a lot of attention on the individual coach. The reality is, without the outstanding work of my staff and the accomplishments of our players, this may not have happened."

Romar, a former Washington player, has rejuvenated a program that finished 11-18, 5-13 in the Pac-10, before Bob Bender was fired as coach after the 2001-2002 season. The Huskies have won 11 consecutive games and will take on No. 7 Idaho on Sunday at 1 p.m. in the second round of the tournament. If they win, they'll play either Arizona or Arizona State.

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senior year is finally getting a chance, and he's taking advantage of it. I'm really happy for him. He's proud of himself.

The third of four relievers used by Notre Dame, Birked threw 2.1 shutout, one-hit innings and nabbed the victory for just the second win of his Irish career.

The Irish (7-7) won back-to-back games for the second time this season.

After trailing 6-3 heading into the bottom half of the eighth, the Irish bats came alive. Notre Dame erupted for a seven-run inning to take a one-run lead that they would not relinquish. Senior shortstop Alex Nettey finished with three RBIs on the day, while sophomore catcher Sean Gaston, junior right-fielder and junior centerfielder Alex Nettey each had multiple-hit days.

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Sports Writer

Several members of the Notre Dame men's track and field team will be skipping up the sun this weekend, enjoying a weekend away from South Bend. The team has sent a contingent to Tucson, Ariz. to partake in the Willie Williams Invitational to be held at the Roy P. Drachman Track & Field Stadium on the University of Arizona campus.

The meet will start today at 3:30 p.m. with the hammer throw. The first event on the track will be the men's 4x100-meter race which will begin at 9:00.

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automatic bid," Corrigan said. "It's the old coaching cliché here, we can only worry about one game at a time, and that's Butler, but it does put a lot of emphasis on these games."

So far this season, Corrigan has been happy with his team's play, but sees areas of improvement that still need to be addressed.

"I think we've played hard in every game, and I think that we're learning how we need to play to be effective," Corrigan said. "I was disappointed at Cornell. I don't feel like we played with enough discipline and didn't make enough plays to win that game, and yet we came back and did very well in those areas playing against Carolina."

Following up the North Carolina game with a good winning performance against Butler will be important for the Irish in order to position themselves in their league.

They will need to play with discipline in order to make sure that the youthful energy of Butler does not sneak up on them.

"Hopefully that's a sign of progress and maturity in our team and something that we can continue to do," Corrigan said, regarding the team's victory against North Carolina after losing to Cornell.

Notre Dame and Butler will face off at 7 p.m. Saturday at Notre Dame. The game will be televised on Comcast Sports Local.

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MEN'S TRACK
Irish head to Williams Invitational

By JOHN EVERETT
Sports Writer

As part of the Undergraduate Admissions staff, the counselor is expected to make an important contribution to the recruitment and selection of the first-year class by managing relations with the prospective applicants, their parents, high school personnel and alumni in an assigned geographic area.

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However, the final three sets were all hotly contested. Ackersianni posted a point for the Irish over Damir in the fifth spot.

D’Amico came close to an upset of Deheart, ranked No. 4 nationally, in the second spot in the singles lineup. Winning the second set 7-5 after losing the first 6-2, he fell 7-5 in a fiercely competitive third frame.

“Brent played one of the best matches he’s played all year,” Bayliss said. “I can’t ask him to play any better.”

Burkhardt finished the match with a difficult loss at No. 6. “You work for opportunities like that,” Bayliss said. “It’s disappointing not to do better in the matches we had chances to win.”

However, he is optimistic about the team heading into the rest of the season.

“One day at a time — you work hard and you try to get better,” Bayliss said. “There’s no simple, easy way to do anything. We didn’t really do anything badly, we just didn’t win.”

Next time on the courts, No. 48 University of Michigan will visit the Eck Tennis Pavilion on Saturday, March 26.

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Senior Brent D’Amico backhands the ball against the Illini Thursday afternoon at the Eck Tennis Pavilion. D’Amico nearly upset No. 4 Ryler Deheart, eventually falling 6-2, 5-7, 7-5.

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the team against the Lady Vols as she plays No. 1 for the team in both singles — where she is currently No. 39 in the national rankings — and in doubles. In doubles, she will be joined by freshman Brook Buck. Buck currently plays No. 2 for the team and is nationally ranked at No. 29 in singles.

The rest of the lineup in singles includes juniors Kiki Staatsny, Lauren Connelly, Liz Brouhia and senior captain Sarah Jane Connelly. This solid Irish lineup is hoping to bounce back from a disappointing 6-1 loss to No. 24 BYU over spring break.

The team’s lone point came from Catrina Thompson at No. 1 over Lauren Jones 6-2, 6-2. Lauren Connelly was the only other player to win one of her sets.

Although the Irish displayed great efforts all the way down the lineup, they felt the loss of Christian Thompson after she was sidelined with a knee injury and were unable to secure the victory. The Lady Vols are looking to take advantage of the team’s disjointed lineup after that injury.

“This sea...n...t...h...e... Lady Vols are off to their best start in two seasons behind junior Sahita Maharaj, ranked No. 44 in the national in singles.

Both the Lady Vols and the Irish have seen similarities in their opponents this season, holding three-2 records against Ohio State, Michigan and Wake Forest. Further, both have suffered losses to Duke and North Carolina.

However, the Lady Vols hold one advantage over the Irish — in the last 15 meetings against Notre Dame, Tennessee has earned a 11-4 record and has won the last five matches.

Despite the advantage Tennessee holds, Irish coach Jay Louderback is eager for today’s meet.

“We are looking forward to the [Tennessee] match because it gives us a chance to compete.”

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Irish coach

“Tennessee gives us a chance to play some tough competitors.”

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Senior Brent D’Amico backhands the ball against the Illini Thursday afternoon at the Eck Tennis Pavilion. D’Amico nearly upset No. 4 Ryler Deheart, eventually falling 6-2, 5-7, 7-5.

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PEANUTS

CHARLIE BROWN? IS THAT YOU? I'M GLAD YOU CALLED.

YOUR DOG? OH, HE'S FINE.

OULD YOU LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING TO WMTHY'S RIGHT HERE.

SCOTT ADAMS

THREE OUT OF 15 PEOPLE WERE AVAILABLE AND ONLY ONE OF THEM FORGOT TO CALL IN.

WOOF? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

CHARLES SCHULZ

"IF THEY HADN'T USED THE MUTE BUTTONS,"

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HAPPILY BIRTHDAY: You aren't likely to have too much face time on your hands this year. With your industrious side coming to the surface and changes all around you, the result will be plenty of unexpected and interesting developments coming your way. Being receptive will be the key to making the most of this rather vigorous year. Take notes, stay organized and make the most of it. Your numbers are 7, 12, 26, 34, 39.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Take your time, especially if someone you care about is confusing you with his or her actions. A strong message can be sent today.****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You have the opportunity to open a door that will lead to some surprising concepts. You have plenty to be grateful for, and the more gracious and humble you are, the more you will be offered in return.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Today is all about looking your best and spending as much extra time as possible to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

A R I E N S (March 21-April 19): Take the world at your own pace. Specific about your needs and your objectives. You have to compensate for any composition deficiency by relying on your intuitive qualities. You may have a very productive day if you forge ahead with confidence.****

T A U R I (April 20-May 20): You'll be surprised at how much you can get done, if you deal with agencies or institutions. You will have the savvy to maneuver business situations as well as the charm to influence your peers. A strong message can be sent today.****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will be in the mood to have a little fun, do a little shopping and make some personal improvements. A financial or legal deal can be settled today. Investments look positive, but don't overestimate your budget.**

V IR G I N I A (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may have to do a little friendly persuasion today. As long as you go gently and are complimentary, there will be no problems.

S C O P I R O (Dec. 21-Jan. 19): Wait until you see someone you feel deeply about. Changes are coming your way, so begin the preparations now.****

S H E R I F F (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): This could turn into a push-pull sort of day — one person wanting you to do one thing and another trying to convince you to do something altogether different.****

P U T H E M (March 21-April 19): You must know what to do today, especially if someone is about to call you and you are not ready.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You're too tight, too SMART questioning everything. It takes confidence and trust in what you are capable of doing in order to be successful. Follow through with a creative idea you have been pondering.****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may not know which to do today, especially if someone is about to call you and he or she actions. This decision that don't let anyone know where you are going.****

BIRTHDAY BABY: You are sensitive, emotional and very good at getting your own way. You have big ideas and creative talent. You don't give up easily, and you are known for your charm.

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**MEN’S TENNIS**

"Ill" showing

No. 18 Irish fall to No. 3 Illini 6-1

By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

Although it was St. Patrick's Day, the Fighting Irish were no match for the Fighting Illini Thursday.

An afternoon of near misses saw the No. 18 Irish fall to the nation’s No. 3 squad, featuring two top-20 singles players and a strong top-to-bottom doubles lineup.

"They’re a good team, and they played well," coach Bobby Baylis said. "I was just disappointed in our slow start."

Since the beginning of the season, Baylis has called the bottom of the lineup a strength. The team proved his thought correct Thursday, as No. 5 Irackli Arakibidiani posted a 4-6, 7-5, 6-3 victory for the first Irish point of the match.

Patrick Buchanan was last on the courts at No. 6 with another close third-set match, getting up over Sheeva Parbhu and Eric Langenskamp.

"If we had given one break early on in doubles, gotten up a service break, given the crowd a chance to get into it - it might have been different," Baylis said of the outcome of the match. "But we didn’t do it. We didn’t manufacture it."

Singles saw the Irish fall in their first three matches to clinch the match for Illinois. In the top spot, Bass was the first to finish, as the sophomore fell 6-1, 6-4 to Anderson. Anderson is ranked No. 18 in the country in singles play.

Parbhu finished next, losing 6-2, 7-5 in a fierce battle for a third set to Monte Tucker of the Illini at No. 4. Jones clinched the match for the Illini with a 7-6 (7-0), 6-3 victory over Barry King at No. 3.

**ND WOMEN’S TENNIS**

Team travels to Knoxville

No. 23 Irish ready to lock horns with No. 25 Lady Vols today

By DAN TAPETILLO
Sports Writer

Heading into today's crucial match against No. 23 Tennessee (19-3), the No. 25 Irish (6-6) will be relying on the team's depth to pull out the victory.

Notre Dame will be competing without sophomore Christian Thompson, half of the No. 2 doubles team in the country. The former No. 1 pairing of Christian and her twin sister Catrina holds an 11-1 record on the season.

Catrina Thompson will lead the Irish.
TIME TO SHINE

Senior Jacqueline Batteast gets one last crack at the NCAA Tournament
UCSB eyes upset bid against Notre Dame

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN

There is just one NCAA bracket in the Irish locker room.

It has Notre Dame and UC Santa Barbara playing at 4:30 p.m. Saturday in Fresno, Calif. For the No. 10 Irish, who have high aspirations for the NCAA Tournament, this is the only game that matters right now.

"We haven't talked about any of the other games, haven't talked about what we're doing afterwards, we're just focusing on this game," McGraw said. "This is the only game with a 10-game winning streak, marketing to the 13th seed. It's definitely going to be a tough first-round game." McGraw said.

"We have great depth, and it's very young," McGraw said. "That's the only question mark going into this year's NCAA Tournament since it is their first NCAA Tournament." Duffy said.

Duffy has produced an excellent season and may be just as important as Batteast for Notre Dame's success. Allen and Gaines have proven they can hold their own, and both have seen significant minutes against UCSB.

Fisher averages a solid 13.7 points and more than three assists per game. Besides Mann and Fisher, UCSB relies on an array of others to provide scoring, defense and rebounding.

UCSB hasn't lost since Feb. 3 and are playing their best ball of the season. The Gauchos should have home court advantage in Fresno and have nothing to lose when facing the mighty Irish.

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Guard Megan Duffy dribbles past Ohio State's Kime Willburn on Nov. 20. Duffy and the Irish face California Santa Barbara in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.
By HEATHER VAN HOEGERGEN
Sports Writer

Big East Player of the Year. All-American. First team all-Big East. Big East Rookie of the Year. These awards, among many others, belong to senior Jacqueline Batteast. But it’s the one accolade that has eluded her for three years that matters most.

“Final Four,” she says without hesitation.

And if the Irish are going to make it to Indianapolis, they will need plenty of help from their senior All-American, who is having the best season of her career playing in front of her hometown crowd.

Go-to player

This season, Batteast has faced constant attention from opposing teams. Some play man, others play zone, but regardless, Batteast is guaranteed one thing—someone will be guarding her.

“Their whole team seems to be more aware of where I am,” Batteast said. “So if it’s not an actual double, there’s three people in the lane, so it’s a lot more difficult, and teams are being a lot more physical this year.”

Despite facing constant double teams, Batteast is putting up the best numbers of her career, averaging 17.1 points and 6.5 rebounds per game, which is second on the team behind only guard Megan Duffy. For the first time in her career, Batteast’s assist total (43) is more than her turnover total (66).

“It feels good that I can rely on my teammates and know they’ll be able to hit an open shot,” Batteast said.

Hometown hero

As much attention as Batteast gets on the court, off the court she might get even more.

After games, young girls and boys flock to Batteast, asking for pictures, autographs or anything for a piece of their South Bend star. Batteast, a Washington High School product, is glad she stayed close to home, despite originally wanting to move away for college.

“I think a lot of people don’t really understand how nice it is to be at home,” Batteast said. “I can get a home-cooked meal because the dining hall can get a little tiresome after a while and not be able to be around my brother and sister, so it’s been great.”

The senior is a celebrity in town. When she and Duffy go out, everyone turns to look—but it’s not at the junior point guard.

“Honestly, nobody really cares about who I am,” Duffy said with a smile. “Everywhere we go, whether it’s the mall, the movies, I swear everyone per­son who walks by and knows who Jackie is. It’s gotten to the point where they try to hide a little, because otherwise she’d be talking to everyone.”

The mild-mannered Batteast shies away from the spotlight. But when she goes out in town, Batteast has no choice but to be the talk of wherever she is.

“It’s more the loud whispers ‘when people recognize me,’” she said. “People are whisper­ing, but you can hear them. No one really comes up to me, but if you see them doing a double take they wish they would just come up and talk to me then I would feel a lot better. I feel like I’m not a nice person when I just walk by and I hear them talk­ing about me. I would like to try to smile and be polite—‘I’m still get­ting used to that.’”

The usually low-key Batteast has never craved the spotlight, but she said it’s a small price for her to pay for the privilege.

“At the most basic level, she has no choice but to be a role model for the younger kids,” McGraw said. “We’ve always encouraged her to follow in her footsteps. I know she’s made a lot of people better in the last three years. But this year, she is the one really coming up to me, but I feel like she’s so talented and has a lot going for her. I’ve always looked up to her.”

One last chance

Batteast has one final shot to add the crowning accomplish­ment to her list. And she knows now is the time.

“This year, this is it,” Batteast said. “The tourna­ment starts on Saturday, and I think we did a pretty good job during the regular season. I think we’re in a good bracket, but since our breakout freshman year and the Big East first team All-Freshman team, said. “I wanted to play with some­body at her level. She’s very good, I love playing with her. She brings excitement to prac­tice, to games, to the locker room, off the court, so she’s a very good person.”

The promising freshman said that one day she hopes her career can earn her similar accolades to Batteast.

“Look at her, look at all the accomplishments she’s made,” the freshman said. “I just want to follow in her footsteps.”

Duffy, a first team All-Big East performer this year and the Big East Most Improved Player last season, said play­ing with Batteast has helped make her the player she is now.

“I think we’re become very good friends, and I know that’s why my game has gotten so much better in the last three years,” Duffy said. “I’ve had her to look up to, her being the All-American. I always try to emulate my game a little bit like her just because she’s so talented and has a lot going for her. I’ve always looked up to her.”

Jacqueline Batteast attempts a layup against Ohio State’s Jessica Davenport in Notre Dame’s 66-62 win Nov. 20.

Jacqueline Batteast drives past two Purdue defenders Jan. 10 at the Joyce Center. The All-American hopes to reach the Final Four this season after losing in the Sweet 16 the past two years.

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After losing in the Sweet 16 the past two seasons, senior All-American Jacqueline Batteast has one last chance to reach the Final Four.
Three factors will decide Irish fate

Starting this weekend, Notre Dame has the opportunity to make history or be history. Whether they do the former or latter will depend on three factors — confidence, rebounding and Jacqueline Batteast.

The Irish have had, without a doubt, one of the best regular seasons in school history by going 26-5 and winning seven games against top-25 opponents. They have succeeded at home and on the road, in easy games and difficult matchups. But in the few instances when Notre Dame was tripped up, the team lacked confidence, lost the rebounding battle and their All-American couldn't produce. These factors combined to be Notre Dame's Achilles' heel. They are the only reason the Irish could be sent home early from this year's tournament.

Notre Dame has plenty of motivation heading into its 10th straight tournament appearance. The selection committee slapped them with an unfair No. 4 seed, but also drew them a thousand miles away in California. While the West Coast is a happy place for the Irish, they were sent north to face a tough No. 1 seed in Stanford. This draw wasn't a worst-case scenario, it was a sure shot.

Batteast recognized that. While her teammates cheered when the seed was announced, the senior All-American didn't show much emotion. She was visibly ticked off during the ensuing interviews with media. If Batteast needed any more motivation during her senior season, the selection committee took care of that. Now, it's up to Batteast to set the tone for her team in this tournament by playing as she has for much of the season — fearless and unwavering.

After struggling in the NCAA Tournament in 2002 as a sophomore, Batteast rebounded to have outstanding junior and senior years. The difference between her first two years and her final two? The South Bend native gained confidence — and she hasn't looked back.

It's a pretty thing to watch Batteast on her game — her low, slow cross-over dribble, deadly accurate jumper and the ease with which she drives past a helpless defender to the basket for an easy layup.

When Batteast is on her game — which is often — the rest of the Irish feed off her confidence and improve their games. Teams fear her因为在 line of confidence and cocky. It's exactly what championship teams need to grind through the rigors of a one-and-done tournament scenario. It's exactly what the Irish had during those 26 wins and exactly what they lost, at least for part of those five defeats.

For Notre Dame to advance deep into the tournament, the other seven regular players must stay confident, even if Batteast falters. Basketball is a game of swings, and overall this season, Notre Dame has been able to withstand most opponents' runs and then respond with a spurt of their own. Things mustn't change now.

If Batteast continues to play well and the Irish maintain their confidence, there's only one major weakness in this team's play — rebounding, or lack thereof.

McGraw has preached all season that her team must rebound to beat good opponents. If they can execute in the paint by boxing out and not backing down, the Irish will be as good as any team in the tourney. But in many instances this season, Notre Dame has been whipped inside. It's not that the Irish don't have the ability to rebound well, they just play soft at times. When that happens, good teams take advantage.

It's an exciting and scary time for this Notre Dame team. They've just finished an outstanding regular season and a so-so Big East Tournament. Now, what lies ahead is opportunity. A chance to cement their names as one of the very special teams during McGraw's tenure. A chance to separate themselves from past Irish teams that made it to the Sweet 16 but lost, much like the last two seasons. A chance to reach their potential at the perfect time and make a long anticipated run deep into the heart of this year's March Madness.

A good team that underachieved in the tournament? Or a great team that played its best when the spotlight shone brightest? By the beginning of April, Notre Dame will know the answer.

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CHAPEL HILL, N.C.

No. 1 North Carolina (27-3)
The Tar Heels beat Duke three times this season and have 13 straight victories.

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No. 16 Coppin State (23-7)
Sherri Tucker loads the Lady Eagles who haven't lost since Feb. 17.

SATURDAY 2 P.M.

No. 8 Mississippi (19-10)
The Lady Rebels finished fifth in the SEC and lost to Georgia in the tourney.

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FRESNO, CALIF.

No. 9 George Washington (22-8)
The Colonials won the West section of the Atlantic-10 with a 13-3 mark.

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No. 5 Arizona State (22-9)
Only 29-2 Stanford beat out the Sun Devils in the Pac-10 standings this season.

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SEATTLE, WASH.

No. 2 Baylor (27-3)
The Bears won the Big 12 regular season and conference tournaments.

SATURDAY 2 P.M.

No. 15 Illinois State (13-17)
This Cinderella storyment of nowhere to win the Missouri Valley Conference.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

No. 10 Oregon (20-9)
Catherine Kraayeveld has paced the Ducks to a 22-5 Pac-10 record.

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No. 3 Minnesota (24-7)
The Golden Gophers reached the Big 10 tournament championship game.

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No. 14 St. Francis (PA) (21-9)
The Red Flash captured both Northeast titles and even the 1-2 in the conference.

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