POPE JOHN PAUL II
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John Paul II had global, human impact
Pontiff reached out to millions, modernized papacy and defended human rights

By EILEEN DUFFY
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In contrast to his immediate predecessor Pope John Paul I, who served for only 33 days before dying, Pope John Paul II served for 27 years, the third-longest papacy in history. He entered the papacy during a time of world turmoil. While the Church was bouncing in the wake of Vatican II, an iron curtain was closing parts of the world. Later, lightning-fast progress would strike, sparking a storm of changes.

The pope was never afraid. He seized the new opportunity that air travel presented, eventually becoming the most-traveled pope in history. He visited places where he was unwelcome or his message was rejected. And he always kissed the ground of those places when he departed, a tribute to his commitment to the humanity of the Church.

John Paul II always defended human rights, especially in the wake of the end of communism, which he called "a huge loss for the Church." He was always concerned with freedom — the freedom to fulfill your destiny as a human being, to be a human being, to fulfill your destiny in God, to be fully in touch with the spirit of love and forgiveness," Appleby said.

He was a very traditional pope, yet he was a reformer, too. He made the papacy seem more inclusive of the world church, that's happened in Vatican II, we're moving from a truly world church," Cummings said. "[Pope John Paul II] was quite different from his predecessors. Pope Paul VI, Appleby said, was "unpopular" and "retraced" from the public near the end of his life. In contrast, Pope John Paul II "provided answers at a time when there were a lot of questions," Cummings said.

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"He traveled millions of miles and to every corner of the earth to bring his personal message of faith, hope and love to all of the world, not just Catholics."
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**University explores selling WNDU**

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The University has hired Kalil and Co., a brokerage firm based in Tucson, Ariz., to look at the possible sale of Michiana Telecasting Corp. (MTC), the operator of WNDU-TV, according to a statement released Friday by Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves.

"In recent months we have received several unsolicited inquiries from parties interested in acquiring Michiana Telecasting Corporation," Affleck-Graves said.

"While the University has a responsibility to evaluate such inquiries in a fiscally prudent manner," Due to the University's "limited knowledge of the broadcasting industry," Affleck-Graves said the outside brokerage firm was hired to help with the evaluation.

"Though the firm has been hired, Affleck-Graves said that no decision has been made at this time.

"The financial officers of the University are always making evaluations of how the money can best be put to use," University spokesman Matt Storin said.

"Though the subject of selling the station has come up before, it has never been examined to this degree," Storin told South Bend Tribune.

Storin would not speculate as to why Notre Dame is looking into selling Michiana Telecasting Corp.,

"WDNU's President and General Manager Jim Behling had no comment about the possible sale.

"The University has owned the station since 1955.

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**Notre Dame remembers Pope John Paul II**

Community mourns, celebrates life of Church leader

By MADIE HANNA  
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When Pope John Paul II passed away Saturday afternoon, the Baslica bells tolled for an hour, alerting the campus of his death and immediately drawing mourners to the Grotto.

Students at Notre Dame this weekend, students, administrators, faculty, staff and members of the South Bend community have lamented the pope's death and celebrated his life in a variety of ways.

Approximately 400 people attended a rosary service Saturday night at the Grotto led by Vice President for Student Affairs Father Mark Poosman, University President-elect Father John Jenkins, Baslica Nector Father Peter Boreca, Director of Campus Ministry Father Richard Warner, student body president Dave Baron and vice president Lizz Stupped.

Those in attendance shielded their Grotto candles from the wind while singing "Ave Maria," swaying to the Alma Mater and praying in a way that Warner said was one of the pope's favorites.

"Simple, yet profound, (the rosary) still remains on the dawn of the new millennium," Warner told the crowd. "It is a prayer that is great significance."

When the prayers ended, those holding candles flooded forward to place them in the Grotto, many lingering long after to say silent prayers.

Following the service, Warner said it was meant to "grieve his passing but celebrate his great significance."

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**Pontiff impacted Catholic universities, ND presidents**

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Although Pope John Paul II never stepped foot on God Quad or worshiped in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, a number of indirect yet significant ties exist between the late pontiff and Notre Dame.

**Catholic universities**

Perhaps the pope's most lasting impact on Notre Dame is his influence on Catholic education. In an April 25, 1989 address entitled "On the Catholic University," the pope stressed the necessity of Catholic institutions in a world filled with challenges.

"This Catholic character does not disturb the university or restrict its legitimate autonomy as a place of moral formation and of free research; it recognizes and even confirms this autonomy, helping the university to realize its true nature and to overcome the dangers of distortion," John Paul II said.

During this time period, Malloy joined two other U.S. educators on a 15-member commission to help revise the pope's Apostolic Constitution, a draft document released by the Catholic University of America in November 1989.

In the Sept. 26, 1990 issue of The Observer, Malloy said the document "慈善 the significant role played by lay people [and] is strong in affirmation of academic freedom."

"We wanted to connect with the high schools in local areas with our students here as well as other organizations," Grossu said. "It is an opportunity to come together."

"Aimer Shelide was the emcee of the event and works to help organize Notre Dame's annual rally," Grossu said. "She was pleased with the rally's outcome."

"There's a lot of positive energy," Shelide said.

The rally included two..."
INSIDE COLUMN

Rea men eat food

The other night I enjoyed a lovely dinner at Chili's with some friends. Oddly enough, the table was split by gender.

One half of the group indulged in two appetizers, entrées and desserts. One person ordered a chocolate milkshake. The other half only had water to drink; their hands did not stray near the godforsaken chips and salsa. Even salads were no-no for this group, since they came with carbohydrates on top. Guess which sex sat on which side? Wrong.

Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you an epidemic sweeping across the campus: men eating like women. Newsflash, guys, this is more unattractive than those extra pounds would be.

One of the boys I was with at Chili's that night opened his menu to the "Light Fare" and scoffed at the choices.

"600 calories?" he yelled in a suspiciously feminine voice. "How many calories are in the rest of this shit?"

Or take this, for example: My roommate recently dined at Hooter's with two gentlemen, one of whom bravely ordered fried pickles as an appetizer.

After three (repeat, three) of the quarter-sized delicacies, the other boy leaned back and whined, "I think I'm going to throw up..."

"Waitress!" he screamed, almost turning back to the girl, he giggled, and then turned back to the girl, he giggled, blushed and explained that just the sight of mayonnaise makes him queasy.

Talk about a turn-off.

If you really do care, boys, my advice is: don't get yourself into a situation where you have to make bad decisions in order to eat. If you truly are dying for a chili dog, say so, and I'll probably buy you one. But don't go to the extent of blowing up the menu because you feel like you're being graded on your knowledge of nutrition.

As for the female half of the group... well, they're entitled to their opinions, and I'm not in the mood to argue.

Eileen Duffy
Assistant News Editor

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DID YOU DO WHEN YOU HEARD ABOUT THE DEATH OF THE POPE?

Chris Garibaldi  Johnny Mospan  Tony Jannazo  Nicholas Battafarano
freshman  junior  senior  Off-campus
Fisher  Fisher  Fisher  Fisher

I went to the Grotto.  I turned on the news and talked to my friends in Rome about it.  I went to Mass.  I prayed.

I prayed the rosary with a rosary which he blessed when I was in Rome.


OFFBEAT

Thief robs apartment, does household chores

RICHMOND, Va. — A woman's apartment was cleaned out, and cleaned up by a burglar, police said. According to police, the woman returned home Thursday after being away for a week and discovered her television, computer and other items missing. The burglar had also helped himself to food and booze.

But this was not a thoughtless thief. Police said the rear sliding glass door, which the woman had left open, was closed and locked when she returned. In addition, "clothes and dishes had been washed and dried," according to the police report.

Police Capt. Karl Leonard said it's possible the burglar knew the woman was going to be gone for a while and may have decided to take up residence in the interim.

TV channel accidentally airs naked dancers

NEW YORK — Viewers expecting to see the latest local meeting on their public access channel got an eyeful recently when Cablevision played a tape of nude dancers accidentally.

The mistake affected customers in parts of Dutchess, Ulster, Putnam and Orange counties.

Hospedgewell Foundation resident George Morton returned home from Palm Sunday Mass and turned on his television to see a surprise contest.

"I thought, this is terrible," Morton said. "I don't get HBO or anything like that."

Cablevision said Thursday it was not a public access program and that a "program switching error" occurred.

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LOCAL WEATHER

TODAY  TONIGHT  TUESDAY  WEDNESDAY  THURSDAY  FRIDAY

HIGH  LOW  HIGH  LOW  HIGH  LOW  HIGH  LOW  HIGH  LOW

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IN BRIEF

David Orr, chair of environmental studies at Oberlin College, will give a lecture today entitled "The Fifth Revolution: Connecting People and Places." It is sponsored by the School of Architecture and will begin at 4:30 p.m. in 104 Bond Hall.

Andrew Rippin of the University of Victoria will speak at 4:30 p.m. today in McKenna Hall in a lecture entitled "Syria in the Quran: Muslim Theories." The talk is part of the "Towards a New Reading of the Qur'an" conference.

The softball team will face off against Eastern Michigan in a doubleheader Tuesday at 3 p.m. and 7 at Ivy Field.

Ray Offen, of the department of mathematics at the University of Glasgow, will speak Tuesday on "Biomechanics of Soft Biological Tissue: Structure and Modeling." The lecture is sponsored by the department of aerospace and mechanical engineering and takes place in 136 DeBartolo Hall.

The South Bend Center for Medical Education is sponsoring a lecture by Gary Fromm, M.D., entitled "Sleep Disorders" Tuesday at 7 p.m. in 102 DeBartolo Hall.

The baseball team faces Toledo Tuesday at 5 p.m. in Eck Stadium.

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World in mourning gets first glimpse of late pope

Vatican begins preparations for funeral and conclave

Catholics, the photographs and footage of around the globe. But for many Roman Paul appeared alive in public — and in delight as it flew back into his room.

Starting Monday, the pope's body will lie in state beginning today in St. Peter's Basilica.

A estimated 100,000 people turned out at St. Peter's Square for a morning Mass and thousands more of young and old — kept coming throughout the day, filling the broad boulevard leading to St. Peter's Basilica. They clutched rosaries and looked at the photo he gave up his spirit.

"Even if we fear we've lost a point of reference, I feel like everyone is united," said Giuseppa Vasta, 79, who was comforted by a hug," said Luca Ghizzardi, a 38-year-old nurse with him in a hug," said Luca Ghizzardi, a 38-year-old nurse.

"It's a memory that cannot be measured," he said.

Some fought back tears, when the pope were captured on Jan. 30, probably a few unintelligible sounds before resting on the square.

There was the pope brushing a hand of the six popes he has lived time: They used photos of John Paul kissed the late pope's "voice" to arrange for the destruction of John Paul's Fisherman's Ring and the dies used to make seals for apostolic letters — formal ges, who whispered the coin of his reign and to prevent forgers, said Cardinal Bernardin, one of the last cardinals to vote, said Sunday he was hoping "the dying pope — God's people — as John Paul I did. At the same time, a sense, the opening of Catholicism to the world. An open spirit of fresh hope that is faithful to the great traditions of the Church."
Observer, staffers honored at ICPA

Observer Staff Report

The Observer was named the second-best Indiana daily stu­
dent newspaper at the annual Indiana Collegiate Press
Association awards ceremony Saturday, with 75 percent of its
entries in writing categories earning first, second or third
place honors.

The Observer staff earned first place in the Best Single
Issue category for its Dec. 1, 2004, issue, which added eight
pages of special coverage of the firing of football coach
Tyone Willingham.

The staff also earned first place in the Best News Feature Series
category for February 2004's "Diversity at Notre Dame," a comprehensive
three-day series coordinated by former editor in chief
Andrew Soukup and former managing editor Meghanne
Dowmes.

The 2004-05 editorial board earned both second and third
place in the Best Staff Editorial category for "Preserve
Academics, Freedom and "Homosexual Community
Deserves Equality," respective­ly.

Numerous staff members contribute to the wide variety of individual
honors as well.

Soukup and former editor in chief Matt Lozat won first
place in the Best Sports News Story category for a package
of articles on Chris Thomas lead­ing the Irish in their upset over
No. 5 Connecticut.

Other first place honors went to Soukup in the Best Column category
for "Never Forget," his farewell column in the 2004 senior issue, and to
former assistant managing editor Joe Helseth in the Best News Feature category for "Serving with Honor," an article on for­
mer Irish basketball player and
Iraq veteran Danielle Green.

Second place honors went to Dowmes and editor in chief Claire Heininght in the Best Breaking News Reporting cate­
gory for "Monk Moves On," their coverage of University President
Father Edward Malloy's April 2004 decision to step down from the presidency
after June 2005. Soukup, man­
gaging editor Pat Leonard and
assistant managing editor
Heather Van Hoegarden earned second place in the Best Stand-alone/Pullout
Section category for "A Decade of Decline," the Irish Insider for the
2004 Blue-Gold game.

Other earners earning second place were Heininght and Kevin
Allen (Best Non-Deadline News
Reporting for a package of sto­
 ries on gay and lesbian student
groups at ND), Alanna Lyn­
Flyn (Best Investigative Story
for two articles on Opus Dei),
scene editor Rama
Gottumukkala (Best
Entertainment Feature
Story/Review for an article on
The Passion of the Christ),
Lozat (Best Sports Feature
Story for an article on the 30th
anniversary of Notre Dame
ending the 88-game winning
streak of the UCLA men's bas­
ketball team) and photo editor
Claire Kelley (Best Sports
Photo for two photos of the
Notre Dame-Michigan football
game).

Third place honors went to Heininght (Best Non-Deadline News
Reporting for an article on
Malloy's response to the unexplained bombing of Muslim
professor Tariq Ramadan from
the U.S.), Best New Feature
for an article on Notre Dame gradu­
ate and 9/11 panel member
Tim Riemen), former scene
editor Maria Smith (Best
Entertainment Feature
Story/Review for an article on
King Lear), Van Hoegarden,
Leonard and Justin Sehver
(Best Sports News Story for a
package of articles on the
Willingham firing) and former
graphics editor Mike Harkins
(Best Informational Graphic for
a graphic summarizing the
2003-04 Year in Sport).

Other Notre Dame media groups represented at the ICPA
convention included the slacker, named the second-
best literary magazine, Scholastic, named the top news
magazine, and the Dome
named the second-best year­
book.

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By KATIE PERRY
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This weekend more than 150
prospective students attended the Notre Dame Visi­tation weekend, which started Friday evening and included visits
to the University by personally
taking them to see what life is like 
under the illustrious — albeit
scaffolded — golden dome.

Spring Visitation weekend kicked off Thursday with the arrival of a distinguished group of minority prospective students. The annual event was planned
and coordinated through the
Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

"The weekend's purpose was to
answer the questions and
emphasize the concerns of some of the best and brightest students from under-represented populations throughout the United States," assistant recruitment coordina­tor Erin Doan said.

In this aim is the underlying
goal of attracting talented students who may contribute diver­
tity to the University, sophomore
student coordinator Covington
Doan said. Doan participated in
the program as a high school senior.

"Ultimately, Spring Visitation weekend is an admissions recruitment tool. The prospec­tive students come here to hear
and ask questions," Doan said.

High school seniors represent­ing
a wide array of ethnic back­
grounds and academic achievement.

"It is our hope that these stu­dents attended such culture-ori­
ted events like Spring Visitation Ex­pressions on Friday and Saturday's BAC Fashion Show.

In past years admissions officials have taken heat from members of the Notre Dame community who label the planned activities as "deceptive diversity." But according to Nguyen these events are not arranged solely for the purpose of Spring Visitation weekend. They are instead part of a larger diversity series that spans the entire school year.

"Latin Expressions and Fashion Show are just along with other signature events like Asian Allure [in early fall and Feste­tag in mid-winter]," Nguyen says.

Doan said that planned events are functional in that they serve
as necessary entertainment for the visiting students.

"You can expect to have the prospective students do home­
work — or at least watch their
host do it — and go to the Grotto praying for the well-being of the folk choir in order to have the ND experience," Doan said.

Events like Spring Visitation weekend demonstrate the con­
scious effort to increase campus diversity, however the perception of Notre Dame is far from pristine.

Earlier this year the Princeton Review ranked the University among the nation's top 10 most homogenous student popula­tions.

Additionally, the abrupt
dismissal of head football coach
Tyone Willingham sparked accusations of racial discrimina­tion in the reaction from the student body, faculty and staff within the Notre Dame community.

The appeal radar shows such incidents have happened at the University led to "pre-p work" implemented by the event's coordinators in order to keep the students in the loop. Doan said.

"A forum was held to gather input from the students to see the campus now," Doan said. "A number of Spring Visitation vet­erans offered their input as to what went wrong and what didn't on their visit and what they felt needed to be done this year to help alleviate any tension that was present."

Nguyen said that aside from
calling two meetings with minor­ity students to gauge the current
atmosphere on campus, not many things were done differ­ently regarding this year's Spring Visitation weekend.

"Is this Spring Visitation Weekend more of a priority to the University than the past Spring Visitation Weekends?" Most definitely not. Increasing campus diversity at Notre Dame has always been one of the top priorities of the Undergraduate Admissions Office and will remain so," Nguyen said.

But Doan says that the ambi­tion on campus this year indeed affected the weekend. "I cannot comment for every­one, but I feel as though the Willingham firing did have an impact on Spring Visitation weekend, but it did not make the weekend any more or less important than it always has been for the University," Doan said. "We ask students to be who they are and to be honest and genuine when speaking to prospective students — that has not changed throughout the years, but it may have been stressed more this year given the current state of the university."

For Nguyen and other University administrators, amplifying the importance of culture and diversity on campus is a continuous goal that will benefit both current stu­dents and incoming students from different background.

"It is our hope that these stu­dents come to the realization that Notre Dame can enrich your lives just as much as they can contribute to Our Lady's University," Nguyen said. "These students bring with them amaz­ing life stories and will most cer­tainly be tremendous assets in the pursuit of excellence."

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Palestinians take on militants
RAMALLAH, West Bank — After weeks of hesitation, Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas has finally made moves to challenge the pow­erful Islamic militant groups that have ruled the lands across the West Bank.

In the end, he was spurred into action by domestic concerns, including an audacious rampage by gunmen through Ramallah and the very real fear of impending electoral defeat, rather than by persistent U.S. and British demands that he crack down on armed groups.

"The Palestinian Authority has been crippled and it is evident to the people," Palestinian political analyst Hani Masri says. "It reached a point where people were wonder­ing what value is there in having a leader."

Ceremony honors tsunami dead
BANG MUANG, Thailand — Praying their hands in a gesture of respect, hundreds of thousands of people crowded Sunday into a Buddhist temple in southern Thailand that was a makeshift mortuary for those killed by the deadly waves on Dec. 26.

Just until a few weeks ago, the grounds of the temple were filled with thou­sands of bodies, as officials struggled to cope with the cringe­ing number of corpses from the tragedy.

The bodies are now gone, moved to a com­mu­nity facility elsewhere. But those who gathered to pray for the souls of the victims are still in mourning by the December disaster.

"I am still alive but it's as if I am dead. I have lost everything," said Savirthi Channakul, 38, a vendor who lost both of her children and a grandson.

Amtrak train's engine derails
WHITE SALMON, Wash. — The engine of an Amtrak train carrying passengers derailed Sunday in a Washington state gorge, sending at least 10 passengers to hospitals, officials said.

The Portland, Ore.-bound train was carrying 115 people when the locomotive's wheels left the track, leaving four passenger cars hanging up­right against an embankment in the Columbia River Gorge in southern Washington, Amtrak spokesman Dan Darr said.

Hospital officials said a pregnant woman was admitted to a hospital for observation. One man had a shoulder injury and was expected to be treated and released. Eight oth­ers were injured and were examined.

King's assassination remembered
ATLANTA — The voice of Martin Luther King Jr. boomed again from Ebenezer Baptist Church on Saturday as dozens of people gathered to commemorate the 37th anniversary of the civil rights leader's death.

People were "praying that, in each of us, in our town in Poland, in Europe and the modern world, we can see the fruits of the life and mission of John Paul II to the end," Jarecki said from a platform at the Pilсудski Square, formerly Victory Square.

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POLAND

Citizens lament death of native son

Hundreds of thousands gather in Warsaw square to remember Pope John Paul II

Associated Press

WARSAW — About 100,000 Poles mourned John Paul II on Sunday at the Warsaw square where the Polish-born pope celebrated a landmark Mass that inspired opponents of the communist regime 26 years ago.

In John Paul's hometown of Wadowice in the south, a large bust of the pope was brought from the town hall and placed in front of St. Mary's Basilica, where he was baptized. It is to remain there until a statue of John Paul replaces it.

Poles returned Sunday to the square as many as 1 million people turned out in 1979 to hear newly elected John Paul II's call to "rescue the face of Earth" — credited by many with inspiring the Solidarity trade union movement led by Lech Walesa that toppled communism.

"From the symbolic place where John Paul II lit the flame of freedom, dignity and solidarity, Warsaw is praying for mercy for the Holy Father," Bishop Piotr Jarecki told the crowd gathered for the special vigil.

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Red-and-white Polish flags with mourning bands of black cloth attached flew around the city.

"It's a great loss for Poland," said Jozef Romanzuk, 46, a businessman standing in front of St. Anne's. "The pope was a symbol of the new Poland. Now, we are beginning a new history, in which we Poles are left alone."

Jaroslaw Sikorski, 24, said, "We have been left orphans. That means we must be strong. And the word of John Paul II gives us this strength."

Barbara Zielinska, a gov­ernment worker, recalled the pontiff's words: "The pope said, Don't be afraid, and I'm not. He brought Poles closer to God, fulfilled his mission and now he has left."

In Krakow, where John Paul served as archbishop, hundreds laid flowers, placed candles and stood in silent contemplation under the window, where John Paul used to appear in talk to people during his visits to Poland as pope.

Outside Krakow, thou­sands stood in a meadow an open-air Mass at Lagiewniks, where the pope consecrated a large, modern concrete-and-glass church during his last visit to his homeland on Aug. 17, 2002.

During World War II, the young Karol Wojtyla used to pray at a chapel in an adjacent convent on his way to forced labor under Nazis at the nearby Solvay salt quarry.

"I was born in 1982 and to me, the pope is a Pope," said Anna Paczkowski, a 23-year-old student of Slavic languages at Krakow's Jagiellonian University who came to the service.

"I cannot imagine now how I will accept a new pope. I have a sense of great loss and emptiness now."

Local News

Mayor endorses stadium idea
INDIANAPOLIS — Mayor Bart Peterson endorsed major parts of the governor's plan to finance a new Colts stadium and an Indiana Convention Center expansion Saturday but insisted the city should have ultimate control over the project.

The definition of how the project would be overseen is emerging as possibly the major sticking point in negotiations between Gov. Mitch Daniels and the Democratic mayor as the two race toward a deal in these final weeks of the 2005 legislative session.

VATICAN CITY — Housing children on their shoulders and holding cherished photos, tens of thousands of people stood silently shoulder-to-shoulder Sunday. Some knelt at a Mass for John Paul II in St. Peter's Square. Gradually, though, tears gave way to fond memories.

Some people had camped out in sleeping bags overnight on the cob­blestones. Underfoot were melted candles and flower petals left during the vigil.

As an organ soud the first notes of Mass, many people held up cam­eras to photograph the ceremony on the marble steps of St. Peter's Basilica.

Some clutched photos of the pope as a younger, more energetic man before illness left him grimacing and stooped. In them, he beamed, blessed babies or led processions with a gold­en staff. Each time the giant screens lining the colonnades showed a close­up of John Paul's picture, the crowd applauded.

"Even if we fear we've lost a point of reference, I feel like everybody in this square is united with him in a hug," said Luca Ghizzardi, 38, a nurse with a sleeping bag and a handmade peace flag at his feet.

Police said about 80,000 people attended Mass, with about 20,000 more spilling into the surrounding boulevards. Around the Vatican, bike­rideres in spandex and sleek helmets stopped to peer past the colonnades at the crowd. First aid staff readied stretchers andiffer dogs checked trash cans. Guides holding umbrellas led tourists to the square's edge.

Emergency health services said late Sunday that they were called to assist the faithful in St. Peter's Square 115 times during the day.

Most of the injuries were cuts and broken bones from people who had fallen or fainted. Three of the cases were life threatening, officials said.

Associated Press

People pray at St. Anna's church for Pope John Paul II's health in Warsaw Friday. The Pope's death was seen as a great loss for Poland.
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Malloy added that the document "promoted a positive and friendly relationship between local bishops and Catholic universities."

However, when the pope's Ex Corde Ecclésiae came under the scrutiny of the nation's bishops in November 1990, it was called the document's potential impact on Catholic universities "positively dangerous," according to an article in the Nov. 18, 1999 issue of The Observer.

R. Scott Appleby, professor of history and director of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, explained that Ex Corde was a comprehensive, broad-ranging statement about higher education unrelated to the 1990 Apostolic Constitution.

"It was a papal document — Malloy had nothing to do with it," Appleby said. "There was a contract controversy related to the teaching issue of academic freedom and especially the pope's mandate, which Malloy has . . . to approve theology professors at Catholic universities."

Malloy led the voices of those who wanted implementation of the papal document to reflect academic freedom, Appleby said. "Even though the University is Catholic, the underlying principle is academic freedom. And Father Malloy is very much in that tradition. There's no question that he wants to be Catholic but also a top-rate university."

Appleby said Malloy's disagreement was not with the pope's general statement but the method of implementation.

However, Appleby said the approval of Ex Corde by U.S. bishops has not greatly harmed the academic freedom of Catholic universities.

"Very few bishops have interpreted the mandate as requiring them to scrutinize in great detail everything that goes on in the classroom," Appleby said.

Malloy and Hesburgh remember Father Edward Malloy

University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh met John Paul II right after the former Karol Wojtyla assumed the position at the Vatican, according to the South Bend Tribune.

In a statement Saturday, Hesburgh referred to John Paul II as a "Pope for the World," explaining that he "traveled millions of miles, to every corner of the earth, to bring his personal message of faith, hope and love to all of the world, not merely to Catholics.

ND appointments and titles

The pope has appointed at least two priests with Notre Dame connections to higher positions in the church.

In 1997, the pope named Father Daniel Jenky as an auxiliary bishop for the diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Prior to his nomination, Jenky, a Holy Cross priest, served as the rector of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

Theology department chair John Cavadini said the pope later appointed Jenky to bishop of Springfield in 1999.

In 1995, the pope appointed Rev. Charles Schlech Titular Archbishop of Africa. Schlech graduated from Notre Dame in 1958 with an undergraduate degree in philosophy and served on the University's faculty for a short period.

In addition to making appointments, John Paul II made the Sacred Heart Church a minor basilica in 1992. In a Jan. 17, 1992 Observer article, Jenky said the title was "a papal recognition that Sacred Heart is a church with an international reputation. It is a center for prayer, pilgrimage and devotion and a place where the liturgy is done with amplified richness."

The pope's gift

Those attending Mass in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart are undeniably drawn to the large painting of John Paul II surrounded by flowers. However, just to the left, a small crucifix sits unobtrusively on a table.

This simple crucifix was actually a gift presented by the pope to Hesburgh, according to a plaque in front of the display.

Family ties

If the adage "blood is thicker than water" has any merit, then the pope has one essential and quasi-familial link to the surrounding Notre Dame community. South Bend, Ind. and Czestochowa, Poland are sister cities — Czestochowa being the site of John Paul II's childhood home.

Indiana governor Joe Kernan originally formed the sister city agreement in 1992 after visiting Poland when he was serving as mayor of South Bend.

A press release from current South Bend mayor Stephen Luke outlined the reasons for the agreement.

"Along with the large Polish community of South Bend that draws much of its heritage from cities like Czestochowa, the two cities are also similar in size and in their common appeal to religious communities because of the University of Notre Dame's Sacred Heart Basilica and Czestochowa's renowned monastery complex of Jasna Góra, the home of the famous Black Madonna," the release said.

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A crucifix given to University President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh by Pope John Paul II sits on a table in the Basilica.

Expanded May Term/Summer 2005

DATES: May 16-20, 2005

TUITION: $225 per credit hour (Ex: $996 for a 3 hour course). A deposit of 1/2 total tuition is due by April 29. Financial aid is not available for May Term.

HOUSING: On-campus housing will be available to students attending SMC May Term classes. Housing applications are available in the Education Department, the Office of the Registrar and the Office of Special Events in the lobby of O'Laughlin Auditorium. There is no board plan available, students must dine off campus or use the kitchen facilities in the residence hall. No linens will be provided.

Double room rate, 3 weeks: $389

Additional week: $133

Due to housing limitations, single rooms may or may not be available. Completed Housing applications must be submitted to the Office of Special Events by April 15, 2005. A housing contract will be completed at this time.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES is available via PRISM. Select "Class Schedule," then "Summer 2005." Click on "Summer" to view all courses offered or use the PRISM search feature.

NOTRE DAME STUDENTS IN EDUCATION Program is not in effect during the summer. Transcripts must be requested for grades to be forwarded to Notre Dame.

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Softball VS Eastern Michigan (doubleheader) at 3:00 & 5:00 PM
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Free Admission!

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AIG admits to improper accounting

**Insurance giant acknowledged transaction errors with Berkshire Hathaway**

**NEW YORK** — Amid widening government probes into its financial practices, insurance giant American International Group acknowledged Wednesday it had improperly booked transactions with a unit of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. that artificially boosted its reserves.

AIG also said that it had not yet completed an in-house review of its accounting and would have to delay filing its annual report until April 30. New York-based AIG earlier said it expected to file the report on March 31.

The Newsday.com photos, stored on an online photogra­phy service that was shut down in late 2004, were retrieved when they suddenly reappeared on her com­puter more than a month later.

"We have never seen sales like this," said Clark Miller, a spokesman for Nolo.com Inc., the creator of the WillMaker Plus software.

"We've never seen sales like this," said Miller. "And we've never seen sales like this in our history." The program was launched in 1997.

"What happens in a case like this, it becomes a test case," said Buffett. "If we make a mistake, we're going to be challenged and we're going to be held accountable."

The parent company of the company.

Howard Mills, acting superintendent of New York state's insurance department, which is also participating in the investigation, added: "These are very serious issues, and their admission that they mishandled this department, we take very seriously."

Mills said that AIG needs to "continue to "get their house in order, and we believe they will do so."

Analysts at Morgan Stanley said that "some investors may take comfort that details are beginning to emerge" on AIG's side. They added, however, that "the depth and breadth of troubles and apparent lack of accounting controls at AIG is alarming, in our view."

AIG shares dropped $1.34, or 3.8 percent, to close at $57.16, in Wednesday trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Berkshire Hathaway shares closed virtually unchanged at $87,000.10, also on the Big Board.

The investigators are looking into a number of reinsurance transactions, which involve insurance purchased by insurance companies like AIG. Reinsurance traditionally has been used to spread risk among insurers but, in some cases, it has been used for the questionable purpose of polishing a company's financial state­ments. If there is no risk transfer, the deal should not be booked as insurance.

In the case under review, AIG purchased reinsurance from Berkshire Hathaway's General Re Corp. in the fourth quarter of 2000 and first quarter of 2001.

Investigators have said that AIG used the deals to pump up its reserves when markets were uneasy about the company's outstanding liabilities.

AIG said Wednesday that it is accounting for the transactions with General Re "was improper and, in light of the lack of evidence of risk transfer, these transactions should not have been recorded as insurance."

**Digital photo era changes photography**

The 31-year-old lawyer's digital images, stored on an online photogra­phy service that was shuttered when she was in the hospital this winter having her first child. She had given up all hope of retrieving them when she suddenly reappeared on her computer more than a month later.

"I can't believe we got them back!" she exclaimed. "Oh my God, I'm going to be printing all day today."

It's a refrain that sets the photo industry's heart racing.

As the digital revolution sidelines film, the photo industry is having to rely more heavily on high-margin services and supplies — inks, chemi­cals, paper — that go into making prints.

Yet the picture is not quite as it seems. While there's no hint of a falloff in the desire of Americans to freeze­frame the world around them, the overall number of images converted into prints has slipped since the dawn of the 21st century.

The drop-off coincided with the lightning transition to a world without film. A few years ago, there wasn't a commercial framework in place to help digital shutterbugs print easily or cheaply.

Digital cameras are now in about 43 million homes in America, and that 40 percent penetration could reach 70 percent by 2007. The more mainstream they become, some analysts argue, the more likely that old printing habits will re-establish themselves.

"Everybody treasures memories, and what makes memories more vivid than a photograph, a print?" said Ousays Yamas of Buckman, Buckman & Feld in New York. "That implication, he thinks, "will not fade, it's human nature."

Bohlinger Yamas' belief is a recent frenzy of acquisitions of online photo startups, which are projected to churn out 700 million prints this year, up from 400 million in 2004.
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world-renowned speakers, Dan DiSilva and Trish Short. DiSilva, a musician who has played around with world music with musicians such as James Taylor, the Chieftains and R.E.M., spoke to the crowd about his experiences. After 10 years of touring, DiSilva formed the band Crispin, a Catholic funk band that uses its music to spread the Catholic message to listeners. DiSilva spoke to the students about chastity, basing his talk on the Theology of the Body writings by Pope John Paul II.

Short, a former model and actress turned producer and director who has been around the world for over 10 years has been producing pro-life videos and music for pro-life minister throughout the world. She spoke to youth about the power of purity and charity and the role of faith and scripture in today’s culture.

Lisa Bonadies and Elizabeth Johnston are two sophomores from Marion High School in South Bend who attended the rally and listened to the speakers. "I think they really got their point across," Bonadies said. "DiSilva really communicated with kids," Johnston said.

In addition to the speakers, RTL members performed skits on chastity and showed a power point presentation on abortion awareness. There was also a prayer service and music performed by DiSilva.

Vendors from Indiana RTL, Reason Enough to Act and ND RTL were at the rally selling T-shirts, and handing out pamphlets other literature to inform students.

The Women’s Care Center was also there showing support for their message.

"We’re here to support what they’re doing," said Judy Madden, the Director of Education for the center. "They’ve got a friend here in the community."

The Women’s Care Center is a rescue center that was started 20 years ago by a Notre Dame theologian, and has extended to 12 care centers and extends assistance to over 50,000 women. It reaches out to women who face unexpected pregnancies. It is the biggest provider for this type of work in Northwest Indiana.

E-mails and flyers about the rally were sent to 7,000 including Chicago, Fort Wayne and Grand Rapids areas.

However, many schools had spring break this week and were unable to attend the rally.

"This could have been dou­ble the number if we were at a better time," Grossu said. "We want this to grow into something ND RTL is known for. Notre Dame as a premiere Catholic university in the nation and in the world should have a real voice in spreading the pro-life message to the youth of the nation."

Grossu is optimistic about the future of the rally. "I’m so excited about the feedback we’re getting from the media," she said. "It surpassed my expectations."

The rally ended with a mass in the basilica which included singing by the ND Women’s Liturgical Choir.

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his life."

"We have had the opportunity to see him give real meaning to the universality of our faith," Warner said.

He placed the prayer service in the context of Notre Dame’s uni­versity setting.

"I think that this service and these services all around the world will show us all again how many people loved John Paul II, but that he had a special low for the youth," Warner said.

Touching on what he consid­ered remarkable aspects of the pope’s life, Warner said John Paul II grew up in poverty, studied theology underground during the Nazi occupation and was a “great sportsman.”

"Since he was such a holy man, it’s clear his is with God now," he said.

Students thought the prayer service was an appropriate way to pay their respects to the pope, whose passing was unfortunate but not unexpected, they said.

"I wish he was still here, but heaven’s got a big place for him," freshman James Carlson said.

"I thought that [the service] was a nice way to commemorate his death," sophomore Rees Moser said. "I was glad they had it planned before."

Carlson said he wished more people had attended the service, especially considering Notre Dame’s Catholic identity.

"I expected [the crowd] to be out in full strength," Carlson said. "You don’t see a pope die every day, or every year, for that mat­ter."

A memorial Mass will be cele­brated today at 5:30 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. The Mass will be preceded by a 4:30 rosary service.

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The arguments surrounding Terri Schiavo will live on in statehouse debate and now laws if an emerging coalition of disability rights activists and right-to-lifers succeed in turning the national agony over her case into a re-examination of when and how our lives come to an end.

So far, only a few legislators in a handful of states have sought significant changes to their laws, which define the fundamental elements at stake — how a person can set limits on their medical care, who gets to decide what their wishes are, what evidence is needed to prove it.

None have yet become law and the chances for most, if not all, are slim this year, with some legislatures finished and many far along in their work for this session. But both Republicans and Democrats say the arguments aren't going away.

The debate is an effort to strike a new balance between one stance that argues that medical care and morality mean life must be pursued in nearly all cases, and another stance, crafted over decades of changing views about death, that some may choose to end drastically damaged lives that depend on artificial means.

"I really wanted to make sure we gave a default for life and not for death," said Kansas state Rep. Mary Pilcher-Cook, a Republican who helped revive a measure that would give courts a greater chance to review decisions to end life-sustaining care, lessening the role of guardians or doctors. "Our most vulnerable citizens are in fact in the most danger of losing their life without any recourse."

She was joined in her effort by disability activists, many aligned with liberal causes, and Democrats in the state House. The measure stalled in the Kansas Senate, however, as the session ended for the year last Friday.

"We don't want to get into the politics of the right or the left or whatever," said Michael Donnelly at the Disability Rights Center of Kansas. "This is about politics, this is about how we value or don't value the lives people with disabilities have."

His group had been working for years to revisit the issue, and came together with several conservative legislators to move the bill forward. Elsewhere, the National Right to Life Committee has produced model legislation and is working with legislators in several states.

Legislation has also been introduced in Alabama, Hawaii, Louisiana, Minnesota and South Dakota. The Louisiana bill is called the "Human Dignity Act." Alabama's is the "Starvation and Dehydration Prevention Act."

Many measures predate recent weeks of attention to Schiavo, though some drew their inspiration directly from the ignoring public debate over the 41-year-old woman's death — like one in Missouri introduced last Thursday, the day Schiavo died.

"I was gripped by what I was watching and couldn't believe the state of Florida would let this woman die in this manner," said GOP state Rep. Cynthia Davis. Her bill would bar anyone from directing that artificially supplied food and water be withheld or withdrawn without a specific written directive from the patient.

There's also a slew of legislation around living wills and other end-of-life issues that wouldn't further the aims of this emerging group — like a Nevada measure that would let a guardian end life-sustaining measures even if it's against a patient's known wishes, as long as it's in their best interests.

The views of medical care and ending life have shifted over the past 30 years as the country grappled with brain-damaged or coma-bound patients whose families said they shouldn't be forced to live a life they wouldn't want, starting with Karen Ann Quinlan in 1975, then to Nancy Cruzan in 1990 and now to Schiavo.
A new hope

Prior to arriving at Notre Dame, I had never been much of a Catholic. I rarely made it to Mass more than once or twice a month. I had attended more bar mitzvahs than baptisms. There was not a single crucifix anywhere in my house. And when asked in O'Day class in third grade who the Pope was, I confidently answered, “The President of Italy.”

Nevertheless, while reading the front page of Saturday's New York Times, specifically those stories regarding the global mourning over the impending death of Pope John Paul II, I started crying. Yes, the kid who could mentally get through “T.E.T.” “Life is Beautiful,” “Schindler's List,” and even “Rudy” without shedding a tear, started weeping over a simple page of newprint. It truly was one of the most peculiar moments of my life, and at the time, I had no idea what came over me.

After all, I have never been to the Vatican, nor have I ever even watched the Pope speak on television. I have never read any of his encyclicals or apostolic letters, and until recently, I barely even knew what it was that he did besides drive around in a bubble car and wear a funny hat. On top of that, I have often found myself in disagreement with many of the more orthodox positions of John Paul II, especially in regards to abortion, euthanasia, birth control, gender, homosexuality and embryonic research. Still, when I read about his illness and his effects on the worldwide Catholic community on Saturday, I cried like a baby. What was wrong with me?

It soon dawned on me that I finally understood what it felt like to be lost in a case without a torch, and when I saw that the rest of the world's one billion Catholics shared my predicament, it may have pushed me over the edge. Upon further reflection, I began to recognize that my entire life had been spent under the misconception that a person had to wear a crown or fight wars in a white house to truly deserve the title of Leader. I think what really had me upset and confused on Saturday morning, though, was the realization that I didn't know a damn thing about how the world worked.

For all of the importance that I have blindly bestowed upon the office of the presidency of the United States, I never stopped to think about what that position so great. Sure, a president can improve the lives of some people through tax breaks and social programs, but that does not change the fact that a huge chunk of the globe typically applauds this “leader of the free world,” regardless of which political party pulls his strings. On Saturday, after seeing the equally distraught faces of European citizens in St. Peter's Square, Middle Eastern Muslims in Jerusalem and New Yorkers at St. Patrick's Cathedral, all huddled together as one collective mass of humanity, I began to make sense again, and I cried with my fellow brothers and sisters. If one man could make sense again, and I cried with my fellow brothers and sisters. If one man could make sense again, and I cried with my fellow brothers and sisters. If one man could make sense again, and I cried with my fellow brothers and sisters.

Great leaders, I realize, do not grace the world with their presence very often, and for every Gandhi, Martin Luther King Jr. and John Paul II that emerges to bring us together, there are a hundred million other Osama bin Ladens, Adolf Hitlers and Kim Jong Il's to split us apart. The tricky part, of course, is distinguishing between the unites and the divides before it is too late.

For me, I never quite understood just how important John Paul II was as the glue that held over one billion of the Earth's children together. If I had known earlier about his diplomatic efforts for achieving global harmony by visiting 129 countries, his vital role in ending communism and restoring peace to the Middle East, and his passion for spreading the values of Catholic social teaching in the hopes of rescuing all of humanity from its unnecessary suffering, perhaps I would not have been so surprised by Saturday morning's newspaper. Maybe if I had understood that the true leader of the free world was not a person whose primary goal was American hegemony, but a person whose only goal was global solidarity, then I probably would have been better prepared to handle the emotional distress of losing the Pope.

Regardless, though, I finally feel safe saying that there is still a chance for the human race to come together and prosper, and that is just another reason to shed tears of joy over the accomplished life of John Paul II.

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The column of Professor Rice on March 24, "The whole truth and nothing but..." falls short of delivering the whole truth as promised. In at least one respect, the column resembles Dan Brown's runaway bestseller. "The Da Vinci Code" is a story about the truth, but the truth is not as clear-cut as Brown would have you believe. Consequently, the column is not as trustworthy as it claims to be.

To compare Rice's viewpoint to the controversial novel may strike some as inappropriate and overly simplistic. However, it is important to note that the author of "The Da Vinci Code" is not merely an entertainer, but a writer with a message. Like Rice, Brown seeks to challenge the readers' preconceptions and encourage them to think critically about the nature of truth.

Rice argues that the University should not advertise the morning-after pill, claiming that it is a "waste of resources". However, by not providing students with access to contraceptive options, the University is failing to protect the health and well-being of its students. As the author of "The Da Vinci Code" states, "the truth is complex and requires careful consideration." The same is true for the issue of contraceptive access.

In conclusion, it is important to critically evaluate the arguments presented by Rice and Brown. While both authors have valid points to make, it is crucial to consider the broader implications of their positions and to strive for a more nuanced understanding of the issues at hand. Only then can we truly "seek the whole truth" and make informed decisions about the future of our society.
**Latin Expressions lights up weekend**

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN  
Assistant Scene Editor

In a sold-out performance that almost shook down the chandeliers in the Palais Royale, Latin Expressions let everyone celebrate all that is Latino in an absolute revelry of a show on Friday night.

The 15th annual show had too many highlights to count, with each act impressing the rowdy audience for a different reason. The Masters of Ceremonies, Fred Leon and Nicole Orozco, elicited rousing response from the crowd throughout the night by cracking well-placed ethnic jokes.

"This is not your standard variety show," Leon said. "This is a Latino show." Orozco said, to a round of cheers.

They did suggest to the audience not to throw their "chones" up on stage, telling people if they didn't know what "chones" were to ask the person next to them.

After kicking off with dancing and singing acts, the First Class Lady Steppers switched gears when they took the stage with an attitude that permeated their fabulous performance. After shouting to "watch us do it now," they stomped, clapped and danced away a seductive routine.

Lyons sophomore Gabby Obregon's "Tanguillos" stood out spectacularly in a night full of standout acts. Wearing a brilliantly colored dress, she smiled her way through a solo dance with confidence. Her feet were a flurry of movement while her arms were smoothly graceful, as she spun around and flourished her ruffled skirt. "Fuego," with Tessa Garcia, Natalia Munoz and Grisel Ruiz, lit up the stage with a fiery, sparkly dance number featuring colored ribbons, shoulder shimmying and hip shaking energy. Their talents meshed perfectly in their performance, in a riveting number with plenty of sultry moves and raucous cheers coming from the other performers waiting on the upper balcony.

Latin Expressions 2005

*Raices*

**Executive Director:** April Garcia  
**Assistant Director:** Yadira Huerta  
**Producer:** Dennis Bonilla  
**Publicity:** Jackie Ramirez  
**Opening Act:** Guadalupe Gomez and Miguel Luna  
**Fundraising:** Grisel Ruiz

Without a doubt, it was "Marches" by Ballet Folklorico Azul y Oro that stole Act I and possibly the entire night. With collars open and bandanas tied around their heads, a stage full of very brave men danced among flashes of huge, gleaming knives that they wielded easily in their hands for a nervous audience. Weapons flying high and spectators tensioning, they tossed and swished away calmly. Gasps resounded when they suddenly shouted, "Blindfold!" and pulled their bandanas down over their eyes, continuing with the pace turned up a few notches. It was a magnificent display of skill and hotness.

Act II featured powerful poetry and more talented performances. As expected, Project Fresh was a refreshing blast of the unexpected that can only be described as cool. It was innovative, even humorous, and combined raw street moves with polished talent.

Their stage presence was like a spontaneous party had broken out onstage and everyone was invited to share in the fun.

The Selena Act began with a dramatic recreation of the movie scene where the kids are playing around instead of practicing serenely, until their father chastises them into putting their talent to use. Yadira Huerta, wearing a slinky Selena-like outfit, was dead-on in her singing, with her powerful, gorgeous voice bringing the singer's hit back to life in renditions of songs like, "I Could Fall in Love." This prompted the balcony spectators to whip out their lighted cell phones and wave them slowly from side to side.

Performers from throughout the night danced through the aisles to pull audience members as the Selena tribute brightly picked up the tempo. Soon, the exhilarant venue was as bumping and crowded as a party in a little South Quad dorm room. The last act of the show captured the spirit of the evening in that dancing — fun, diverse and proud of it.

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A taste of opera and European culture will be coming to campus, thanks to M.F.A. Presents, the University-established group in charge of scheduling well-known artists and bands.

Opera Verdi Europa, an opera troupe out of Bulgaria, will be performing "La Traviata" tonight at the Morris Performing Arts Center in downtown South Bend. Opera Verdi Europa was created in 1996 by artist director Ivan Klutenkamper and is now considered by many to be one of top opera groups in Europe and is now bringing their abundant talents to the United States.

The fact that famous opera singers such as Orfin Anastassov and Dario Volonite started their careers with Opera Verdi Europa is testament to the consistent quality of the company. This will mark the second time Opera Verdi Europa has come to the Notre Dame campus, the last time being last year's performance of "Le Boheme" at the Morris Center.

The group is well-known for performing opera in a style that many other companies cannot achieve. The group focuses heavily on the characteristics of several different cultures, namely blending the Bulgarian style with other European styles, creating a multicultural experience that is second to none. They have performed operas including "Otello," "Madame Butterfly," "Carmen" and "Turandot," as well as productions of the Mozart and Verdi "Requiem." The three-act "La Traviata" was originally written by famed Italian composer Giuseppe Verdi. Verdi was born in 1813 as the third of nine children and is the youngest of which was the mastermind of his career. He secured his establishment as a major force in opera. Now Verdi is considered by many to be the foremost Italian composer of opera and is also one of the most imitated and revered men in the opera culture.

"La Traviata" is based on a play by Alexander Dumas and is a tragic story of a beautiful courtesan and the sacrifices she makes for love. Originally given the opera premiered at the Teatro La Fenice in Venice, Italy in 1853. It was not well received in its first performance. Believing that his opera was ultimately doomed to failure, Verdi offered it to a friend the following night, "La Traviata last night was a failure. Is it my fault or that of the singers? Only time will tell."

A taste of opera and European culture will be coming to campus, thanks to M.F.A. Presents, the University-established group in charge of scheduling well-known artists and bands. Opera Verdi Europa, an opera troupe out of Bulgaria, will be performing "La Traviata" tonight at the Morris Performing Arts Center.

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However, "La Traviata" has withstood that test of time and is now considered to be one of the greatest operas ever created and is also one of the most often performed. The opera will be performed either by calling the Morris Center box office toll-free at 800-537-6415 or on the web at www.MorrisCenter.org.

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Scene
Opera Verdi Europa coming to Morris

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area where his or her art is displayed as a collection. The variety and contemporary nature of virtually every piece in the exhibit ensures there truly is something for every visitor's taste.

Of the art was a bit more traditional in terms of medium, but challenging in subject. For instance, Megan Lloyd's collection of ultra chrome prints features men and women with less-than-desirable figures in lingerie and s*xual poses. Alyson Klintenkmper's collection also featured prints, but the prints focused on female figures that appeared lost and confused in a variety of settings. Another attention-grabbing set of ultra chrome prints was Rachel Guruda's collection that focused on the idea of possessions as an extension of the self. The prints visually focus on the connection between snapshot and material items that people may associate with the memory of the snapshot.

Best Poche's collection was called the "Allegory of the Lusious and the Leesi," and it consisted of two acrylic paintings on panel. The subject of one of the paintings was a woman surrounded by "luscious" scene compositions, and the second was a woman surrounded almost entirely of pink tones; the painting displayed directly next to it was a mirror image of the woman and her setting, but the subject is a male

surrounded by mostly blue tones. John Lambert's installation sculpture made from clay focused on the "x" symbol, which is a symbol he considers to "represent the essence of structural strength."

Many of the pieces were not as traditional due to the medium chosen. Tomas Rivas presented a variety of pieces including a piece carved on white drywall and a piece component of a pin and thread drawing on the wall. Mary Prendergast's piece called "Pouterity" focused on the influence a woman's relationship with her father has on her own well-being and future relationships. The piece is presented as a series of clothing patterns, showing the type of father that produces a daughter with certain strengths and weaknesses. Matthew Searle presented a collection called "The Internal Theatre" that was composed of three black boxes with a small peep hole that the viewer looks into and sees the surreal scenes created by Searle, "contrasted to reveal something about the viewer." Allison Tramaynham's piece was a collection of graphic images focused around the idea of the scattered family in the independent world of today. The show includes a few borderline satirical pieces such as Eric Monger's "Collecting Grief." The piece is essentially a stand selling the product, "Eternoplaster," a product to which one can "just add ashes!" of loved ones that have died and been cremated. Mark Cook presented a graphic piece satirically focused on the common dependency on fossil fuels.

The industrial and product design pieces were also intriguing. Alex Lohos designed a new kitchen system, focused primarily on a dishwashing system based on the principles of the ocean, as well as a system based off the principles of rivers. A safer forklift called "Levisafe" was designed by Mike Elweel and a broom that doubles as a vacuum cleaner, called "Clean Sweep," was designed by belim Norurdean. Kathryn Colarco designed a shoe to meet the needs of elderly people who are diabetic.

All in all, the M.F.A./B.F.A. exhibit is not to be missed. And it would be hard to miss it, considering the show will run through May 15 at the Snite, which is free and open to the public. The work of the extremely talented art students of Notre Dame deserves to be seen, and the M.F.A./B.F.A. exhibit abundantly proves that point.

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EXHIBIT REVIEW

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Bryant injures leg; Grizzlies blow out Lakers

Marion and Johnson lead Suns to victory over Houston 91-78

Associated Press

The fading Los Angeles Lakers lost Kobe Bryant and yet another game, falling 102-82 to the Memphis Grizzlies on Sunday.

Mike Miller scored 22 points to help the Grizzlies move into a tie with idle Denver for seventh place in the Western Conference, 8 1/2 games in front of the 10th-place Lakers. Memphis and Denver are three games ahead of ninth-place Minnesota, which beat Sacramento on Sunday.

Los Angeles has lost 11 of its last 12 games and eight straight on the road.

The Lakers, already short-handed with Chris Mihm hurt and Lamar Odom placed on the injured list before the game, got limited time from Bryant, who left the game in the second quarter with a right leg injury. Los Angeles also lost Brian Grant in the second quarter to a pair of technicals, leaving the Lakers with a makeshift lineup the rest of the way.

Memphis led by 27 in the first half and the Lakers never cut the deficit into single digits.

Lorenzen Wright added 16 points for Memphis, while Bryant Cardinal had 15 points off the bench. Pau Gasol had 13 points and 10 rebounds. Baron Butler led Los Angeles with 18 points, and Chuck Atkins added 13 points.

Memphis built a 32-14 lead in the first period as the Lakers struggled from the field. Bryant had nine points in the first half, but the rest of the team missed 11 of its 12 shots.

The Lakers actually got an offensive spark in the second half after Bryant left the game. Mike James added a career-high 14 points, and Sasha Vujacic had eight as Los Angeles cut the deficit to 86-80 in the third quarter.

Cavaliers 100, Mavericks 80

LeBron James kept his cool when his teammates lost theirs.

James scored 37 points and Zydrunas Ilgauskas added 21 to lead the Cleveland Cavaliers past the Dallas Mavericks Sunday despite the ejection of two players.

The Mavericks, who led by 20 in the first half after Traylor and Drew Gooden were tossed for arguments, looked like they would implode late in the third quarter when Robert Traylor and Drew Gooden were tossed for arguing.

But the Mavericks couldn't score at the free throw line and James finished the period with 11 straight points, including a 3-pointer that gave the Cavaliers a 99-77 lead.

The win keeps the Cavaliers first in the East, and the Mavericks' fourth-quarter collapse was reminiscent of their 117-96 loss to the Lakers on Nov. 24.

Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant looks for a shot against the Memphis Grizzlies Sunday. The Grizzlies won the game 102-82 as Bryant suffered an injury to his right leg. Newswire

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Phelps edges record-holder
Crocker in 100m butterfly

15-year-old Katie Huff matches Phelps with three wins at trials

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Michael Phelps wasn't as generous this time around.

Phelps, who yielded his spot on the U.S. gold medal 400-meter medley relay to Ian Crocker at the Olympic Games last summer, caught his long-time friend and rival at the finish and won the 100 butterfly Sunday night at the U.S. trials for the world championships in July.

It was the third victory of the meet for Phelps, who trailed Crocker by more than a half-second at the turn but pulled ahead to win in 51.34 seconds.

Crocker, who held the world record of 50.76, finished at 51.45.

"I always feel I have to be at a certain place when I race Ian," Phelps said. "Now he has a faster first 50 than I do, so I always feel like I should be within striking distance, within a half a body length of him. I saw him coming off the wall and I just tried to do everything I could to get there.

Crocker beat Phelps at the 2000 world meet and at the 2004 Olympic trials. But Phelps won the Olympic gold in that event. Phelps is 6 feet 4 inches and 185 pounds, while Crocker is 6-2 and 190.

"I think we have a pretty good rivalry with Phelps," Crocker said. "Both Michael and I, we race our friends, and I think he's got an edge in the butterfly and I think he's got an edge in the 50 freestyle.

"If we can just keep that in the middle, I think we have a pretty good friendship.

Phelps earlier won the 200 and 400 freestyle races.

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WOMEN'S NCAA TOURNAMENT

Michigan St. knocks off Tennessee

Baylor upsets No. 1 LSU to advance to championship game

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Michigan State's climb to national prominence took the Spartans the last way over Rocky Top.

Down by 16 points in the second half, Michigan State rallied — tying the largest comeback in Final Four history — then finished off Tennessee with a pair of fast-break baskets to complete the 68-64 upset Sunday night. The win sets up Tuesday's title game with Baylor, another unlikely championship contender.

"This team has the heart of a lion," Michigan State coach Joanne P. McCallie said, "a player bouncing and hugging with wide-eyed looks of disbelief on their faces.

"I'm definitely happy with our friends all the time," she added to the roster depending on how others qualify in multiple events.

"I'm happy that we can't hang on in the last 25. I think I'm getting better at timing and that's getting the adjustments right."

The 51.34 was just over two tenths of a second slower than Phelps' best time in that event. He also held the world record at 51.47 before Crocker broke the two-year-old mark.

"I didn't feel very good this morning, I didn't feel good in warmup. But the times speak for themselves," Phelps said. "I'm definitely happy with 51.3. Two-tenths off my best time, I can't be disappointed at all.

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They'll take a 19-game winning streak — the longest one going in NCAA women's basketball — into the title game Tuesday night against Final Four newcomer Michigan State. The Spartans beat six-time national champion Tennessee 68-64 in the second semifinal.

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### MLB

**Johnson, Yankees down Red Sox 9-2**

Randy Johnson led the New York Yankees to a 9-2 defeat of the Boston Red Sox Sunday in the opening game of the MLB season. Johnson gave up just one run in six innings in his first game as a Yankee.

### IN BRIEF

**Cubs place ace Prior on DL to start the season**

PHOENIX — Although he doesn’t like it, Mark Prior will start the season on the disabled list for a second straight year.

"I didn’t want to go on the DL, I still don’t want to go on the DL," Prior said before the Chicago Cubs’ workout out at Bank One Ballpark on Sunday. "I don’t consider myself injured like last year when I couldn’t even go out and throw."

Manager Dusty Baker said that because Prior couldn’t throw for a week because of a sore elbow, he needs to build up his endurance. He’s scheduled to start for Triple-A Iowa in its season opener at Albuquerque on Thursday.

Last season, Prior started on the DL with Achilles’ tendon and elbow problems and missed two months.

This year, though, Baker said the elbow inflammation that sidelined Prior in spring training and had bothered him since early March has healed, but since the right-hander needs more work, it was better to put him on the DL to make room for another pitcher on the active roster.

Prior, who said that he understands the Cubs’ move even if he doesn’t like it, will be activated and start against San Diego on April 12, barring any setbacks.

**Sanchez suspended for violating steroid policy**

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Tampa Bay outfielder Alex Sanchez was suspended 10 days for violating baseball’s new policy on performance-enhancing drugs, the first player publicly identified under the major leagues’ tougher rules.

The suspension begins Monday when Tampa Bay opens its season against Toronto, the commissioner’s office said Sunday.

Under the new policy that took effect last month, steroids and other performance-enhancing substances are the only drugs to draw a 10-day suspension. Baseball officials and the players’ union agreed they would not disclose the exact substance for which a player tests positive.

Sanchez said he was surprised by the suspension, adding that he uses milkshakes and multivitamins to build his energy — and blaming the positive test on something he bought over the counter.

"I’m going to fight it, because I’ve never taken steroids or anything like that...I never take any steroids because I don’t need them," said Sanchez, who was released by Detroit in mid-March and signed by the Devil Rays.

Sanchez, 28, who hit .322 with 19 stolen bases in 79 games for the Tigers last season, said he was drug tested while he was with Detroit. He was to be the Devil Rays’ center fielder on opening day.

Devil Rays general manager Chuck LaMar said the team would have no comment on the suspension.

"It’s surprising," manager Lou Piniella said. "That’s all I have to say on that."
Irish fall to Dartmouth 10-9 in second one-goal loss of year

By MIKE GILLOON
Sports Editor

Notre Dame fell 10-9 at Dartmouth Saturday, tallying its second one-goal defeat of the season.

"I feel like we didn't play particularly well," Irish coach Kevin Corrigan said. "I was disappointed in the way we played and I take full responsibility for it. I don't think I had us prepared as we needed to be.

Dartmouth led 8-7 at the beginning of the fourth quarter but Notre Dame tied the match when attack Pat Walsh tossed in a goal with 7:11 left in the contest.

The Big Green answered back quickly with two goals in the final three minutes to cement the win. Midfielder Ben Grinnell weaved his way through the Irish defense and scored with 2:54 remaining. His teammate, midfielder Alec Hufnagle, notched the winning goal with 1:07.

The Irish mounted a comeback with freshman midfielder Michael Pedagogy scoring with 19 seconds remaining, but the final seconds ticked away before Notre Dame could score again.

"The most encouraging thing of the day is that we gave ourselves a chance to win the game," Corrigan said. "We did that without playing well and that is a good sign for a team.

Walsh, currently second in the NCAA in scoring, continued his hot streak by netting two goals and one assist. The Great Western Lacrosse League player of the week has totaled at least three points in every game this year.

Notre Dame took the early load with two Matt Ryan goals in the first eight minutes of the game. Dartmouth then tied the contest with two goals of their own coming at the 2:51 and 1:50 mark of the first quarter.

The victory was Dartmouth's first ever over Notre Dame.

With their only two losses this season coming by a combined two goals, Corrigan believes Notre Dame might be better than its record indicates.

"I think we have tremendous potential," Corrigan said. "I've seen some great signs from this team throughout the season in terms of their approach to things. At the same time, the important thing is, are we learning the lessons we need to and whether it's this year or next we're going to win our league and go to the tournament.

"Joy was terrific," Corrigan said. "I honestly think Joey was the reason we had a chance to win at the end. He was outstanding all day. I think he's proving to be just a tremendous talent in the cage.

Notre Dame is currently in a position to determine its NCAA Tournament fate. The Irish need to win their remaining four regular-season games (Denver, Air Force, at Fairfield, at Ohio State) to win the conference and automatically qualify for the NCAA Tournament.

"If we win our next four we're going to win our league and go to the tournament," Corrigan said. "That's what we need to be focused on now and I think we're going to need all be playing as well as we go through the season throughout the season.

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Illiini hope to finish No. 1

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — The best team in the country all season is an underdog today. By now, Illinois is used to it.

Even though they're the only team in the nation not to lose a game this season and have played in a Big East Tournament final, the Illini (37-2) have been overlooked by the NCAA selection committee.

"We have NBA people at our games every time," Illini coach Bruce Weber said. "We're going to have some guys drafted, whether it's this year or next year. But we don't have quite the names, I guess, and athletic guys that maybe they have.

The reason the Tar Heels get more play, the reason they're perceived — as the No. 1 team in the country all season is an underdog today. By now, Illinois is used to it.

Illini players like guard Deron Williams have beenpegged as potential lottery picks, but the Illini, who are coming off their bench, have won 30 straight games.

"They'll have a lottery pick coming off their bench," Illini forward James Augustine said. "They're obviously more talented. But when it comes down to the situation, it's who's the better team that will win.

Nobody has won more than Illinois — ever. With their 72-57 victory over Louisville in the semifinals, the Illini matched Duke (1986, 1989) and UNLV (1987) for the most wins in a single season.

Like the Tar Heels, the Illini have stars and NBA talent, starting with guard Deron Williams, a tenacious defender and super ballhandler who may have played himself into the NBA lottery, as well.

Illiini hope to finish No. 1
Men's Tennis

Ishish hobbled by injuries in 5-2 loss

Squad drops all but one match to No. 46 Southern Methodist

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA
Sports Writer

Freak injuries lurk in any sports contest, hiding their time and striking at inopportune moments. This week, however, the Irish saw the injury bug rear its ugly head.

Facing a rallying, motivated Southern Methodist team, the Irish men's tennis team struggled on Sunday, losing a 5-2 match to the No. 46 Mustangs (11-0). Coach Connelly (13-6) dropped all but one singles match, forcing them to battle minor injuries to several players.

"I think we learned that you've got to bring it every day," Irish coach Tim Connelly said. "I think SMU played probably their best match of the year — that's what their coach told me and I have no reason to doubt that. But we were close enough but we got outgunned in a couple matches. If anything, we need to be more aggressive. We have to look for offensive opportunities a little bit more and in at least three or four of the matches, that was the case."

Despite getting the early 1-0 lead after winning the doubles point, the Irish had trouble against an aggressive SMU team. The duo dropped the first set, 6-4, 6-2, and the third doubles, 6-4, 6-2.

The Irish men's tennis squad drops all but one singles match against Michigan on March 26.

Ryan Keckley returns a shot in a doubles match against Michigan on March 26.
SMC TENNIS

Team opens year with 9-0 scrimmage victory

By KATE SERYAK
Sports Writer

On Saturday, younger members of the Belles tennis team traveled three hours to Albion, Mich., to scrimmage a team that is usually in the top 10 in the conference but wasn’t this year due to lack of players.

The Belles did well, winning all of their singles and doubles matches, 9-0. Although it was only a scrimmage, this match served as a stepping-stone for several of the younger players on the team.

“Because we lost our top five players who were seniors last year, we have a really young team that needs experience like this to get them ready for future matches,” senior Katie Hartshen said.

For several Belles, this was their first time playing in a college match.

“T here was a lot of fun. I got to play with one of my friends in a doubles match which we won and it was really happy about that,” freshman Jackie Sias said.

“There were some really close matches, but everybody pulled out a win and did a really good job,” sophomore Kelly Hartnett said. “The doubles teams worked really well together despite not having much of a chance to practice with each other.”

The Belles are using every opportunity they can this early in the season to get ready for their big matches against conference rivals Hope, Kalamazoo and Albion.

“They are some of our biggest challenges, we always look forward to those and take a lot of pride away when we win,” Hartshen said. “Those are the ones we prepare for the most and look forward to.”

Even though Saturday’s match was important, the Belles still enjoyed themselves.

“It was a good match and we had fun,” Hartshen said. “We were out there for practice and to have a good time and that’s exactly what we did. It was a good practice for us. I think that we’re doing well so far and that we’re looking really good.”

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SMC GOLF

Belles best of 13 teams at Ohio tournament

By THOMAS BARR
Sports Writer

The Belles rang in the new season with a tournament victory.

The team took first place in the Capital University 2005 Purple and White Golf Invitational in Fisher, Ohio, Friday and Saturday.

The Belles won the 13-team tournament, shooting a course record 357. They edged out the Ohio Northern-squad by three strokes in the tournament.

“It’s good anytime you win, to best 13 teams, but we definitely didn’t play up to our potential,” Belles coach Mark Hamilton said.

“It was tough weather on a tough course, but in the end we played better than the other teams, and that is what matters.”

The inclement weather that shortened the tournament to only 18 holes did not prevent several Belles from having impressive individual performances.

Senior Stefanie Zimmermann tied for lowest overall score with 83 strokes, which was also the club course record. Fellow senior Julia Adams finished second with an 84.

While two other Belles, captain Cheryl Dunham and Megan Matta, rounded out the top 20, the team was not satisfied.

“We had two really great performances by Zimmermann and Adams, but I know some of the other girls were disappointed with their performances,” Hamilton said.

The Belles are preparing to play in the Tri-State University Invitational Tournament this Saturday at 10 a.m. in Angola, Indiana. The team has been working hard to fix weaknesses and maintain strengths that were evident at Fisher.

“Our ball striking has been sold,” Hamilton said. “Weather has hindered us from getting out on the course to practice. This affects mental preparedness and our short game.”

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ND WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Current and future Irish shine

Batteast and Schrader both perform well in Indy all-star games

By JOE HETTLER
Senior Staff Writer

Notre Dame’s departing star and its incoming are both performing well in the Women’s Basketball Coaches Association Night of All-Stars Saturday at Indianapolis.

Senior Jacqueline Batteast, who finished her career as Notre Dame’s fourth all-time leading scorer, had 11 points, five rebounds and three steals in 29 minutes of the All-Star Challenge.

The game featured 20 of college basketball’s best senior players.

Lindsay Schrader, who will arrive at Notre Dame in the fall, tallied 10 points in 22 minutes of the High School All-America Game. She drained a key 3-pointer in the second half before her Red team eventually lost to the White team 92-88.

Schrader was recently named Miss Basketball in Illinois and is the fourth incoming Notre Dame freshman to play in the WBCA game.

Alicia Batay, Katie Flecky and current Irish junior Courtney LaVere also participated in the exhibition.

The Bartlest, Ill. product played in the 2005 McDonald’s All-American game March 30 at the Joyce Center. She averaged 21 points, 10 rebounds and three steals during her high school career and was a three-time all-state selection.

Schraeder will be one of the players trying to help replace the graduating Batteast. The South Bend native was recently named one of 10 members of the Kodak All-American squad. She became just the second Irish player to ever earn such an honor. Ruth Riley was named to the team in 2001.

The Big East coaches tabbed Batteast as the conference’s player of the year this season after the senior posted 16.9 points and 6.6 rebounds per game.

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Irish compete at Purdue

ND athletes take five titles, including pole vault, 800 meters

By JOHN EVERETT
Sports Writer

The Irish traveled to West Lafayette, Indiana this past weekend to compete in the Mike Poehlein Invitational on the campus of Purdue University.

The Fighting Irish won five events on Saturday, four of them individual events and one was a relay victory.

Selim Nurudeen far outpaced the field in the 110-meter high hurdles. Nurudeen ran the race in 13.96 seconds, not his fastest time this year — his fastest time was 13.92 seconds last week at the Dr. Pepper Invitational — but consistently strong, which encourages optimism for the rest of the season. Irish hurdler Geoffrey Bennett also qualified for the Big East in the 110-meter hurdles.

Adam Carrie led a strong Irish effort in the 800-meters. Carrie won the event in 1 minute, 54.22 seconds, a mark which is just .58 seconds shy of the Big East qualifying standard.

This was Carrie's first performance since the 2005 outdoor season. Following Carrie in the 800 for Notre Dame were Eric Morrison in third at 1:54.84 and Brett Adams in fifth at 1:58.15.

Two of Notre Dame's victories came in the field. With David Viken claiming the pole vault title and Derek Goguen outdistancing his competitors in the javelin.

Viken's vault of 4.75 meters and Goguen's throw of 55.06 meters were both good enough to qualify for the Big East Championships.

Notre Dame field athletes also achieved several Big East qualifying marks in the hammer throw, as Chip Roberts, Kyle Annen, Garrett Koxlein and Kevin Moffetti all qualified.

Many field competitors at the meet were adversely affected by the strong 30 mile-per-hour winds at the site of the event. However, Viken was very pleased with how the Irish responded to the challenge.

"The wind was really a problem for a lot of the people who competed; they even had a hard time keeping the crossbar up for the pole vault," Viken said. "I was really pumped because 15'7" is a [personal record] on the Irish side for me. I think all of the field athletes did as well as they could under the conditions."

The Irish relay victory came in the 4x100-meter relay. Nurudeen, Zach Labrecque, Christopher Jacques and Tommie Lee combined to run the relay in 42.79 seconds.

Jacques and Lee also qualified for the Big East in the 110 meters.

Notre Dame have no meet this weekend. Their next meets will be April 15-17 when the team will send athletes to both the Mt. San Antonio College Relays in Walnut, Calif., and the Indy Relays in Indianapolis.

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Irish distance runner Kurt Benniger runs in the Meyo Invitational Feb. 5. The Irish competed at the Poehlein Invitational at Purdue Saturday, winning five events.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Team bounces back, crushes Long Beach

Irish win five matches en route to blowout victory over 49ers

By DAN TAPETILLO
Sports Writer

After falling to Wisconsin 4-3 last week, Notre Dame (9-8) was not just hoping to rebound from the loss with this weekend's match versus Long Beach State. The Irish were also looking to restore their confidence heading into the final stretch of the season.

Notre Dame topped the 49ers 5-2 Saturday at the Eck Tennis Pavilion, but is just beginning what the team expects to accomplish by the season's end.

"[This match] was extremely important after losing to Wisconsin," Notre Dame coach Jay Louderback said. "We went into this match as we did in the first half of the season so we could get a fresh start and gain momentum and confidence for the next several matches."

The Irish began the contest with an impressive sweep in the doubles matches.

First off the court was the No. 2 doubles team in the nation of sophomore twins Christian and Carmina Thompson, playing at No. 1 for the Irish. The Thompson's defeated the 49ers' team of Nicole Boufiller and Sandra Rocha 8-1.

They were followed by the Irish No. 3 team of senior captains Sarah Jane Connelly and junior Kiki Statnay, Connelly and Statnay toppled Stephanie Bensdorff and Kristyna Kataayma 8-3.

The final team to walk off the courts was the No. 2 Irish team of freshman Brooke Burk and Lauren Connelly. They handed the 49ers' Alannah Carroll and Rachel Persson 8-4 defeat.

Coach Jay Louderback said the team's impressive performance in doubles was crucial to their later success in singles.

"We played well in the doubles matches and some of the momentum carried into the singles matches for us," Irish coach Jay Louderback said.

The first of four singles wins came from senior Connelly at the No. 5 position by toppling Long Beach's Rocha 6-4, 6-3. This is her third out of four matches since moving up to the No. 3 position for the team.

The second win came from and No. 46 ranked Carmina Thompson at No. 1. She defeated Beatrice Brink 7-5, 6-3.

But it was the victory from Sarah Jane Connelly at No. 5 that secured the victory for the Irish.

Connelly beat Carroll 6-2, 7-5 at No. 5. Louderback had only words of praise for the senior captain.

"I was really impressed with all of the matches, but especially with Sarah Jane's [performance]," Louderback said. "She had to come back in the second set to clinch the match for us and she did it while staying calm."

Notre Dame was also led by Liz Donohue from the No. 6 position. Donohue topped Claudia Argumedo 6-4, 6-2. This victory is her third straight, improving her record to 17-12 on the season.

The losses came from Statnay at No. 4 and No. 100 Burk against the Wildcats. No. 44 ranked Catrina Thompson was also defeated by a 49er.

"This win was so important because we were having a tough time that our team that fought hard. It was also important for our mental because we have won so many double points and couldn't come up with three singles points," Statnay said.

Lauren Connelly attributes the win to the team's mentality during practice.

"This week in practice we tried to be positive because we couldn't have easily been positive after the loss to Wisconsin," she said. "But everyone has practiced hard and it showed today."

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ND WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

Shower wash off eastern road trip

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Senior Staff Writer

April showers have put a damper on Notre Dame's Big East season so far this year.

The Irish were scheduled to participate in road doubleheaders against Rutgers Saturday and Villanova Sunday, but inclement weather in the northeast United States forced the postponement of both series.

Notre Dame is scheduled to make up its games against Villanova today, with starts at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

The doubleheader against Rutgers has not yet been rescheduled. Because the team will remain on the road Monday to make up the games against the Wildcats, Notre Dame's doubleheader against Eastern Michigan Tuesday has been pushed back from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Thursday night, Notre Dame defeated Loyola Chicago on the road 10-0, pounding out a season-high 16 hits in the contest. With their win over Loyola, the Irish extended their winning streak to six games.

Starting pitcher Heather Booth came up one hit short in her bid to pitch the second no-hitter of her career, allowing a hit to Loyola's Tricia Oberhans with one out left in the bottom of the ninth inning.

Senior Megan Gioli paced the offense with three hits, two RBIs and three runs. Sophomore Stephanie Brown had three hits and an RBI.

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Sophomore Cole Isban takes a shot in the Notre Dame Invitational Sept. 19. The Irish finished sixth at the Augusta State Invitational this weekend.

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Isban had the best individual total for the Irish at 227 (12-over par), good for a tie for 14th while Baldwin tied for 25th overall with a 17-over 233, second on the team.

"I had a couple stretches of bogeys and doubles that really hurt my position," Isban said. "But fortunately I was able to come back with two or three birdies each round that at least helped me in there."

For the team, this was a big confidence booster.

"This definitely gives us a little bit of momentum and a little more confidence," Gustafson said. "We've got another big event coming up in Texas A&M with a similar field, and we know we can play well." Isban echoed Gustafson's sentiments.

"We love getting this opportunity to play these [top] teams," she said. "We feel that we can play with anyone in the country now."

That confidence will be pivotal for the Irish in the upcoming weeks.

First, they tee off in the Texas A&M Invitational Apr. 16-17, with a field just as tough as this week.

Then, it's back home to Warren for the Big East Championship Apr. 23-24. For now, the Irish are happy with what they've done this week and will use it as a platform for future tournaments.

"This week was great for us," Isban said, "to see how far we have come and see how far we can go from here as well."

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midfielder Lena Zentgraf’s first collegiate hat trick.

The pivotal conference weekend began on a rather optimistic note for the Irish. In search of its first Big East victory, Notre Dame charged out of the gates, netting a 2-0 advantage on a pair of goals by Foote and Jackie Bowers, respectively, in the contest’s first 2:07.

Despite a double bogey on the 15th hole and a bogey on the 16th, Gustafson finished the round at even par, the fourth-best score for the third round. She finished the tournament in a tie for 38th individually, good for third on the team.

Before Gustafson’s big round, Cole Isban and Mark Baldwin had carried the Irish for the first two rounds.

Isban and Baldwin shot matching 75’s in the morning round Sunday, and Isban had a four-over 77 to begin the tournament. Those two rounds left Isban in a tie for sixth and Baldwin tied for 14th after two rounds.

"We had high expectations," Isban said. "And for the team,

We weren't able to secure a 3-2 lead over the next eight minutes with three consecutive goals, the Irish immediately responded, tallying three consecutive goals of their own to regain a two-goal advantage at 5-3 with just over 12 minutes remaining before the break.

After trading goals a pair of goal with the Huskies, however, Notre Dame’s wings began to fall off as Connecticut rallied off seven straight goals — four before halftime — and nine of the next 10 en route to a dominating 13-7 lead 11:53 into the first half. The Irish refused to give in, scoring the game’s final three goals, but it was a case of too little too late as Notre Dame squandered Foote’s four-goal performance and fell to 0-2 in the Big East.

In dire need of a victory, the Irish reversed Friday night’s fortunes as they rode hat tricks from both Zentgraf and Foote to a crucial 12-9 victory over Rutgers. Sunday, Midfielders Caitlin McKinney and Brittany Fox each chipped in with a pair of goals while Bowers and attack midfielder Lena Zentgraf attacks the Rutgers defense during Sunday’s contest. Zentgraf scored three goals in a 12-9 Irish victory.

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Fox once again sparked an Irish rally, beating Rutgers goalie Lyndsey Feldman for her second goal and the first of five consecutive Irish scores.

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next week in the Lady Rolleimer Invitational in West Lafayette, although she might have to rent during the week.

"She’s just going to have to do it a little bit," King said.

Onirice pick up her first goal of the game at the 7-27 mark with Bowers and Zentgraf following suit.

The Irish lead increased to 5-3 on Zentgraf’s third goal of the afternoon before Rutgers found the back of the net to bring the Scarlet Knights within one at 5-4.

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Dame battled neck and neck with Oregon State and Texas. With only 20 strokes left to go, the Notre Dame women trailed both opposing crews. In a testament to conditioning and gut effort the women dug deep and passed Texas to place seconds in the Petite race, a little more than a half second behind first-place OSU. The finish placed the crew in eighth overall for the Jessop-Whittier Cup.

"I wasn’t disappointed in the crew’s effort; I was just disappointed in the results," Irish coach Martin Stone said. "The effort was definitely there. We were facing three crews that will most likely be in the NCAs."

The second varsity eight crew completed the weekend ninth-overall after a fourth-place finish in the junior varsity 8 heat followed by finishing third in the Petite race.

The novice eight crew had a similarly successful Petite heat, finishing in first, beating out second place Southern California by six seconds.

The novices garnered seventh overall in the Novice races.

"The second varsity eight and novice eight are growing better and getting faster," Stone said.

The Crew Classic, along with most major spring season regattas, has serious implications regarding the end of the year NCAA Championships. Stone is unfortified by the results of this weekend.

"Some win the NCAs would have been helpful, but we made the finals for the Jessop-Whittier Cup, but by no means are they gone," he said.

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Brophy, who shot a par 154, good enough for third place overall; senior Karen DeBord, who finished 11th with a 157; sophomore Stacy Brown, who shot a 163; and junior Sarah Bassett, who finished with a 177.

Grand Valley State placed three golfers in the top 10, but their leader, Melissa Sneller, finished one shot behind Brophy and nine shots behind fourth place Nakazaki.

Minnesota shot a 634 to place third, one shot ahead of fourth place Ohio. Toledo, led by Storeck, finished tied with Marshall for fifth.

Wisconsin, Iowa, Arkansas-Little Rock, Indiana, St. John’s, Xavier, Ferris State, Ball State, Bowling Green, Indianapolis and IPFW rounded out the field.

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Irish defeat five ranked opponents
Gustafson leads Notre Dame to sixth place finish in field with 10 top-25 teams

By KEN FOWLER  
Sports Writer

Against one of the toughest fields they have ever faced in a regular-season tournament, the Irish captured a tie for sixth, besting five top-25 teams and tying another in the Augusta State Invitational this weekend.

Despite finishing 29 shots behind host school and champions Augusta State, Notre Dame achieved essentially every expectation the team had coming into the weekend.

While the Irish “didn’t play our best,” junior Scott Gustafson said, “we still beat a lot of top-15 teams.”

For a team ranked in the 60s nationally, that’s saying something.

After shooting consecutive 310s on the hilly Forest Hill Golf Club in windy conditions Saturday and Sunday, Notre Dame had its best team round on Sunday.

Gustafson led the Irish in the final round with a stellar round of even-par 72. He rallied from a Saturday 82 and Sunday-morning 81 to post the sixth-lowest round of the tournament Sunday afternoon.

“I was kind of down on myself after finishing that second round of play,” he said. “I was looking for any kind of momentum I could get.”

He found it immediately.

With the shotgun start Sunday afternoon, Gustafson teed off on the par-five sixth, and got the round off to a fast start with a birdie four. Three holes later, he birdied the par-five ninth. Then, on his ninth hole of the afternoon, he made his birdie three to reach three-under at the halfway point.

After rebounding with a birdie on the 11th and making two consecutive pars after bogeying the 14th, Gustafson made the cut in the competition’s final round with a total of 298.

“I think we were a little under than three seconds lower on Sunday,” senior and co-captain Natalie Storck said.

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Church turns attention toward next leader

Cardinals will follow complicated process to select Pope John Paul II’s successor

By KATE ANTONACCI

Pope John Paul II’s death on Saturday marked the end of his 27-year term as leader of the Catholic Church. The responsibility of choosing a new pope lies in the hands of the members of the Sacred College of Cardinals, who have 20 days following the death of the pope to call a meeting of cardinals in the Vatican.

At this time, nothing is known beyond speculation about who the next pope will be, said theology professor Lawrence Cunningham.

“There’s a pretty formal process. They do a good job at keeping it secret,” said Vincent Rougeau, associate professor in the Law School. “They are, however, supposed to be thinking about the good of the Church.”

Catholics around the world have responded to the death of the pope and are anticipating the appointment of a new leader.

“The thing I’m amazed at is the tremendous outpouring of people in prayer and support and mourning for his death and also a tribute to his memory,” said Jay Dolan, professor emeritus of history. “He obviously had major impact on the entire world.”

Following the death of a pope, the College of cardinals begins and runs for nine days. The mourning period sets Monday morning.

Though the conclave of cardinals must be called no more than 20 days after the pope’s death, the cardinals already in Rome must wait 15 days for those who are abroad to travel to the Vatican, Cunningham said.

Once the cardinals are at the Vatican, they may not communicate with anyone outside the area until a new pope is chosen. Cardinals under the age of 80 are eligible to vote. Though there are over 150 cardinals, only 117 cardinals are eligible to vote. Those in good health meet in the Sistine Chapel each day until they reach a 2/3 vote, Cunningham said.

According to CNN.com, the blank ballots are rectangular in shape and must bear, in the upper half, the word “Eligio in Summum Pontificem,” meaning “I elect as supreme pontiff.” The cardinals write the name of a candidate on the lower half and fold it in two. The elector then walks to an altar in order of seniority and places the ballot onto an altar in order of seniority. If there is no winner, another vote is taken. Cunningham said.

“If after 30 ballots they don’t have a 2/3 vote, they can agree that the simple majority would do to elect a new pope,” Cunningham said.

The prospect of another vote is burned after votes are counted. If black smoke emerges from the roof of the Vatican Palace, those in waiting at St. Peter’s Square know that a pope has not been selected. According to CNN.com, a chemical is mixed with the ballots to produce the black smoke. When a new pope is chosen, the ballots are burned alone without chemicals, and white smoke emerges from the Palace.

“No one knows who it is going to be,” Cunningham said.

Professors Dolan, Rougeau and Cunningham all said an old Italian saying when asked for predictions about the future pope... “Who goes into the conclave comes out a cardinal.”

“The person who is favored to be pope never becomes it,” Dolan said.

Pope John Paul II was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years, Cunningham said. The cornerstones of his papacy was global outreach and it is because of his great interest in the world that some are speculating that the next pope may be from a Third World country, another non-Italian or possibly a non-European.

“There’s been some speculation Central and Latin American cardinals and also some from Europe of course,” Cunningham said.

“IT would be good to have someone from say Africa, which has been bringing Catholic population, or Latin America,” Cunningham said. “I think it would be a terrible thing for the Church — after all the Church is a Catholic church.”

One figure that has been brought up as a possible candidate is Cardinal Francis Arinze of Nigeria. Notre Dame is presenting him an honorary doctorate at the University’s Commencement ceremony in May, Cunningham said.

“If [Arinze is elected pope] he obviously will not be at the commence­ment.” Cunningham said.

Arinze is 72 and has been a key figure in arranging interfaith dialogue among Catholics, Muslims and Hindus.

“Arinze was close to John Paul II, according to CNN. If elected pope, he would be the first black pope since Gelasius in 492. However, Father Richard McBrien, theology professor at Notre Dame, told the Boston Herald that it is unlikely a black pope will be elected.

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Students in Rome join in mourning pope

St. Peter’s Square fills with faithful

By KAREN LANGLEY
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When Ashley Sinnott arrived at St. Peter’s Square Saturday, the news of Pope John Paul II’s death had been reverberating around the globe for more than three hours. The square itself, however, remained suspended in time.

Even though I didn’t get there until around 1 a.m., the piazza was still filled with thousands of people singing, crying and clapping,” the Notre Dame junior said. “There were backpackers with rosaries around their necks, there were people with pillows sleeping under the columns, there were tiny altars set up all around the square, there were people with rosaries staring up at the pope’s window. It was very intense because everyone present was so emotional.”

Sinnott, who is studying in Rome this semester, was not the only Notre Dame student to experience the immediate aftermath of the 84-year-old pope’s death.

The impact of John Paul II’s death was felt intensely on the city streets, junior Laura Mullaney said. “Rome has been quieter than I have ever known it,” she said. “So many people have been out either driving or just walking near St. Peter’s, but even among them it has been almost silent. There is an overwhelming feeling of sadness, but also of respect.”

Mullaney called the cycle of praying for the pope before and after his death "surreal.

"Since Friday, I think most people here have been aware that it was only a matter of hours, and we had CNN on constantly, waiting for the latest news,” Mullaney said. "It was incredible to be there with thousands and thousands of people — Catholics, Christians and non-Christians all coming together to pray their respects and say some prayers.

"I know I will never forget how it felt to stand under the pope’s window with countless others, the smell of scented candles burning throughout the night, and the sound of one group in particular singing songs accompanied by a guitar."

Junior Caroline Murray agreed, adding she does not expect the community’s intensity to drop in the coming weeks as the Church works toward selecting John Paul II’s successor.

"The whole city feels the effects of this event — St. Peter’s Square is the only place in the city that is crowded at all, which is unusual for a weekend," Murray said. "It’s amazing to be in Rome right now. I really feel like I’m living a part of history."

Notre Dame students studying abroad in Europe were drawn to Rome on Easter weekend for a reunion organized by Campus Ministry.

"There were students that traveled from Dublin, London and Spain to meet at the Colosseum for Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. Apparently, Good Friday and the events that accompany it have always been very special for the pope, even more so than Easter," Sinnott said.

"So TV monitors at the Colosseum broadcasted images of his watching our gathering. It was really a memorable experience to be in the middle of Rome with Notre Dame kids from all over Europe, watching the ceremony with the pope."

Students were also present at the pope’s last public appearance, which occurred Easter Sunday.

"Easter Mass wasn’t said by [John Paul II] obviously, but he came out for a blessing at the end. I was there with the Notre Dame crowd again, and everyone was cheering and clapping when he appeared at his window," Sinnott said.

"A microphone was given to him, but he couldn’t speak. He waved, and kept putting his hands to his cheeks, like he was crying. It was really emotional, because I think everyone knew this would be his last Easter — there was no way we could have realized it would be his last public appearance, or his last Sunday Mass.”

As the week went on, students were aware that the pope was nearing his final hours.

"I would say the overall mood that I’ve experienced in the last day is one of sadness, but also relief, because he’s been so sick there last few months,” Sinnott said.

"I know that when the original announcement was made to the square, they said John Paul has returned home,” and everyone clapped,”

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