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By MARY KATE MALONE
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Professor recounts 1987 visit with pope

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Pontiff embraced youth of the world

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
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Veronica Derenzo vividly remembers Pope John Paul II telling the youth in the crowd to carry on his mission since "they were young and he was old." She was at World Youth Day 2002 in Toronto and the crowd erupted into a chant of "the pope is young, the pope is young."

"I laughed quietly and said that 81 is not the same as 18 or 20," the Notre Dame senior said. "He was old, but he was relying on us to continue the work he had begun."

This explanation describes the backbone of the pope's mission to reach out to youth and to speak directly to the individuals whom he called the "lifeblood of the Church."

Beginning in 1983, World Youth Day has brought hundreds of thousands of young Catholic adults together to learn about their faith and to encourage greater ministry and involvement in the Church. "World Youth Day is the Church's day for youth and with youth. This idea is not an alternative to ordinary youth ministry," Desmoulin said.

The Dome is under renovation and we will hopefully be able to resume re-gilding on the following Thursday or Friday — bringing the Dome to be uncovered for graduation weekend. Workers will be working longer hours, especially on days when the weather is ideal. "We still apologize that the Dome is under renovation and we appreciate the students working with us," he said. "Though it's not a complete redo, we hope what we've done has helped."

Scott, who has been representing his classmates throughout the ordeal, said he was elated upon hearing the news. "This shows the University does care about our concerns," he said. "They saw our sadness over the scaffolding and they took our concerns to heart. It's the absolute best outcome any reasonable negotiation could achieve."

Two weeks ago Scott and students went to the University to inform them about the scaffolding. "We even had our coat of arms in flowers," Elizondo said with a smile.

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Indiana legislature considers daylight-saving

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While the rust of the nation "sprung ahead" one hour this weekend, St. Joseph County and other parts of Indiana remained on Eastern Standard Time.

However, this aversion to daylight-saving time may be almost over, as the state legislature is set to consider a bill which would have all the state's counties observe daylight-saving time.

As any Notre Dame student knows, the current clock situation in South Bend means a weekend trip to Chicago is a one hour time difference — but only from October through April. "I guess it's only an inconvenience," Pangborn junior Clare Desmond said. "I was lived in Ohio and Illinois, on both sides of the time zone. It's inconvenient here because you are more likely to miss a TV show or forget to change the settings on something."

Travis Gaff, a senior Zahn resident, said he believes the bill is a good idea. "I think it's silly," he said. "I think the whole state should be one way or the other. It won't hurt anyone to switch time zones, but it would be easier on everyone if we just went one way or the other."

Current constituents are not the only ones affected by Indiana's practice — prospective students and other visitors are often confused by the fluctuating time changes.

"We do experience some misunderstanding, particularly each time the zones shift," associate director of admissions Alisa Fisher said. "Although we advise prospective students and their families that our zone is unique when arranging their campus visit appointments and have reminders in our printed materials, many families do arrive either an hour early or late for their scheduled trip.

The dome will be uncovered for graduation to make the gold visible. The scaffolding removal will begin May 5th.

One Notre Dame Glee Club member's struggle with cancer has led to mobilization and unity for the entire group.

It began with a "splitting headache" in early November of 2004 that kept Coleman Barker sick all day. Barker, a senior pre-med/philosophy major, assumed he had the flu, and University Health Services gave him medicine to take the nausea away. However, even after a week, Barker's headache persisted.

The second time he went to UF to get medicine, no doctors were on call. He was forced to go to St. Joseph Medical Center. Concerned that his headache had lasted a week, the doctors decided to perform a CT scan.

Barker, who led an overall healthy lifestyle, said his initial reaction to the diagnosis was nothing short of a surprise. "I was really shocked," he said. The shock came when doctors told him they had discovered a tumor in his brain that needed to be surgically removed. The neurosurgeon at St. Joseph Medical Center told Barker he would need to withdraw from classes and receive immediate treatment.

Barker, who had already heard of the tumor from his doctors, and decided he would return home to his family in Sioux City, Iowa and choose a clinic for surgery. Barker then went through the tedious process of receiving signatures for withdrawal from his classes at Notre Dame.
An unflagging spirit

I always knew that studying abroad would prove to be one of the most adventurous times in my life — however, I did not anticipate what would be in store for me while spending this semester in Rome.

On Jan. 24, I had the opportunity to see Pope John Paul II at the Vatican. I was one of his last public addresses during his weekly papal audience held in an auditorium off of St. Peter’s square. I did not really know what to anticipate, but I was very anxious to be able to see the pope in person.

When he was wheeled onto the stage it appeared that his health was failing, but not his spirit. I listened to his every word as he spoke five different languages to welcome people from all over the world to his Church. He spoke slowly and continually impressed upon the crowd his ideals for peace and his hope for a better future led by today’s youth.

It was in this past week as I watched the population of Rome double that my reflection on attending his audience really impacted me. Living less than one mile from the Vatican, it is apparent that John Paul touched the lives of so many. I am reminded of this fact by watching the increasing number of pilgrims arrive to Vatican City each day and stand in line for over twelve hours — through the heat of day and chill of night — just to have a 30-second glimpse at his body.

I was fortunate enough to only wait for five hours to view the pope. Waiting in line was perhaps the best part of the entire experience. I gave my friends and I an opportunity to meet the people who came from so far to listen to the devotions and songs being offered to the pope in the square.

It is anticipated that the Pope’s funeral would be regarded as the largest manifestation of humans in modern history with over 3 million people in attendance, all pushing to be part of John Paul II’s life.

My experience here became more unbelievable when I learned I would be one of the fortunate people in the Vatican City on Friday morning. Starting at 6 a.m., I will be babysitting the children of a Swiss Guard who lives in an apartment bordering St. Peter’s square.

When I left for Rome I did not know what to expect, but I do know that being witness at the events marking the death of Pope John Paul II has increased my understanding of the world community and proven to be one of the most incredible experiences of my life.

“Is there such a thing as a Portuguese leprechaun?”

“Sure! I’ve been working on growing my beard.”

“Does the leprechaun need hair?”

“Actually, I’m already trying out for Underpants Gnome, and I think it would be a conflict of interest.”

Children and Childhood in Greco-Roman Antiquity, an international conference sponsored by the Department of Classics, the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (Henkel Lecture Series) and the Office of the Provost is being held in McKenna Hall Friday 9:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

The Saint Mary’s Social Work Program will sponsor a “Compassionate Listening Workshop” community forum from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. today in Stapleton Lounge in LeMann Hall.

Canadian fiddler Natalie McMaster, who has performed with musicians such as Leliano Pavarotti, Faith Hill and Carlos Santana, will perform tonight at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall of the Delbarto Performing Arts Center.

OFFBEAT

Cookie Monster cuts back

“NEW YORK — The Cookie Monster” is straightening up his act. Sesame Streets beloved blue, furry monster is going to learn some lessons about moderation as the childrens show kicks off its 36th season on PBS.

“Cookie Monster” will now advocate eating healthy. His “C is for cookie” song has been replaced with a new song — “A Cookie is a Sometimes Food.”

There’s more.

The show’s vice president of research and education says each episode will open with a “health tip” and there will be new characters — like talking eggplants and carrots.

Show producers say with the rise in childhood obesity, Sesame Street is focusing on teaching children about healthy foods and physical activity.

Alarm wakes heavy sleepers

CAMBRIDGE — A 25-year-old Massachusetts Institute of Technology student has invented a revolutionary alarm clock that makes sleepyheads find it to quiet it.

Designed to overcome abuse of the snooze feature on most alarm clocks, Gaurs Nanda’s “Clocky” falls to the floor and rolls away on the first push of the snooze button.

To turn it off, a person must get out of bed and find it.

The clock features two rubber wheels and is covered in thick, 1970s-style shag carpet and other material to cushion it when it tumbles to the floor.

A built-in computer chip randomly decides how far the clock will roll, so it stops in a different place each morning.

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An active member of the Notre Dame Glee Club, Barker also had to leave the club. After learning of his cancer, the 60-voice club decided to dedicate their 2004-2005 season to Barker by wearing a turtle pin on their uniforms for concerts in his honor.

Barker said none of his friends at Notre Dame let him down. As he packed up his belongings for the move back home, they came to his aid.

“People were great,” Barker said. “I got lots of hugs, and they were all helping me get ready to go home.”

Upon returning to Sioux City, he met with doctors and discussed the best option for his operation.

On Nov. 18, Barker underwent surgery at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. The doctors effectively removed an 8x6 centimeter cancerous tumor from his right frontal lobe and declared the surgery a success without any complications. Soon after, Barker began receiving chemothera­py at the Mayo Clinic. In December, he went home for Christmas, resting at home. Since then, he has been undergoing more chemother­apy and radiation treatments. Barker went back to Sioux City since then, he has been undergoing more chemother­apy and resting at home.

After he completes chemotherapy treatments in Michigan City, Ind. in August, Barker hopes to reenroll at Notre Dame in the fall to graduate in the spring of 2006.

Acknowledging Barker’s importance to the Notre Dame Glee Club, many members have agreed his being diagnosed with cancer has made a huge impact on their school year.

Several Glee Club members visited Barker and have been supporting him through his sur­gery, and treat­ment. Glee Club Trea surer Thomas Richardson said he noticed how anxious Barker was to return to Notre Dame.

“The only thing he really wanted to do was come back to school after it was over,” Thomas said, “so I really hope everything works out for him.”

Glee Club members have constantly voiced their support and respect for Barker.

“Barker is, arguably, the nicest guy anyone will ever know,” member Adrian Chiu added, saying he hopes Barker will be able to return to his “normal life” after his treatments.

Paul Silfuentes, Glee Club President, said he believes Barker will not return to that normal life but rather will use the events of the past few months in a positive way.

“Barker will use this experience to help others,” Silfuentes said. “He has a way of reaching to other people in a humble way that amazes me.”

To be in solidarity with Barker, many Glee Club me­bers have chosen to shave their heads for the “Brothers in Song” benefit concert on Sunday.

Barker will arrive on cam­pus today to meet with sever­al University administrators and to attend the Glee Club’s benefit concert on Sunday. On April 10, at 7:30 p.m., the Notre Dame Glee Club will be performing a benefit con­cert entitled ‘Brothers in Song: Colonel Barker Benefit Concert’ in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts to aid the Barker family. Additional proceeds in excess of the Barker family’s needs will go to the American Cancer Society, a group chosen by Barker. An American Cancer Society representative will be present at the concert with additional information on cancer education. The Glee Club hopes to make $10,000 from the concert by selling ads in the program, tickets sold and any extra donations from concertgoers. Tickets for the benefit are $5 for students and seniors and $10 for general admission and can be purchased by call­ing the University Administrative Services Office at 631-2800.

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Originally, Affleck-Graves said Scott and Istvan’s plan was not possible, since it would push the estimated completion date beyond the absolute deadline of Oct. 1, when frost will become a factor.

However, due to a miscommu-nication, Affleck-Graves said he thought Scott and Istvan wanted the scaffolding removed from not only the gold part of the dome but the ‘drum’ as well.

Therefore, the plan Affleck-Graves presented to the contractors incorrectly called for the scaf­folding to be completely removed from the entire dome structure, not just the gold, and was conse­quently deemed unfeasible.

“I was under the impression [Scott and Istvan] wanted the drum to be visible as well,” Affleck-Graves said. “It was a misunderstanding. We never actually spoke about the level for the scaffolding.”

When the proposal was not accepted, students reacted to Affleck-Graves’s response with anger. Some saw the administra-tion as turning a deaf ear to their complaints.

Behind the scenes, though, Affleck-Graves was pushing University officials in charge of the project to keep pursuing the initial plan he articulated Thursday, according to Scott and Istvan’s original plan had been approved.

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Meanwhile, Scott and Istvan — though still hoping for the removal of the scaffolding — were pursuing alternative plans that would attempt to compensate for the scaffolding-covered dome.

“We were discussing possibili­ties that would help us win the tide and would help to show that the University does care about the students,” Scott said.

Scott said when he was pleas­antly surprised when told his original plan had been approved.

“Now the seniors can take a picture on graduation day with Our Lady unscaffolded and the Dome gleaming,” Scott said.

Seniors shared in Scott’s elation.

“It’s very exciting. I think it’s a wonderful gesture,” senior Laura Hammond said. “Usually what the University says is final, so I appreciate them compromising.”

Though she is pleased the University has responded to seniors’ pleas, senior Casey Rotella said it is unfortunate more cannot be done.

“I wish they could take [the scaffolding] all down,” she said. “Our class has gone through a lot, but at least I the administration is still listening to us.”

Affleck-Graves said he was pleased constructive dialogues were able to achieve an agreement that was acceptable to students.

“I want the senior class to know that their representatives have represented them in a very, very professional way.” Affleck-Graves said. “The administration is always trying to do the best it can for its students, sometimes we are just faced with difficult choices.”

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great energy and vibrancy, which he shared with the young priests and brought great humanity to the Holy Father.

"It was very emotional," Elizondo said. "He sat down and relaxed a bit. He was tired — he took off his collar and his shoes."

"These are some personal moments I will never forget," Elizondo said. "For me, it's been a very silent, spiritual moment to relive these moments with the pope."

Previous meetings

The intimate meeting in San Antonio was not the first time Elizondo, the 1997 recipient of the prestigious Martin Luther King Jr. Peace Award, met with the late pope. He first met John Paul in 1979, when the pope, on his first apostolic visit outside of Rome, traveled to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. Mexico.

In his essay "Our Lady of Guadalupe: A Guide for the New Millennium," Elizondo said the pope had a clear purpose in visiting Mexico City.

"He pope started to proclaim his message of the new evangelization to the Church that he so often stated, this is to be not a re-evangelization but truly a new evangelization in new methods and new in expressions," Elizondo wrote of the visit. Elizondo met John Paul again on Oct. 6, 1979 when he became the first pope to set foot in the White House. 40,000 people gathered to hear the pope say Mass at St. Matthew's Cathedral in Washington before he moved to the White House to speak with President Jimmy Carter. It was unlikely that such a meeting would have occurred before John Paul, the 264th pope, became leader of the Roman Catholic Church.

The pope joined Carter in calling for nuclear disarmament and heightened awareness of the need to reach out to Third World nations.

"I was just very moved by him at this moment," Elizondo said. "It was very emotional."

At this meeting, the pope called the U.S. to aid poorer countries, which Elizondo said he focused on a great deal in his 26-year papacy.

"The pope places a particularly important part in the quest for great security in the world and for greater international collaboration," Pope John Paul II said at the White House.

"It is not about the need to address human issues," Elizondo said. "He believed in the fundamental, unquestioned dignity of the human person."

Affecting the worldwide Catholic community

Pope John Paul II was the most widely-traveled pontiff, making 104 pastoral visits to Italy and traveling to more than 120 countries. Through his visits and support of Catholics around the world, he had a great and significant impact on the Latin American Catholic Church, Elizondo said.

The pope was very encouraging of different indigenous groups," Elizondo said. "When he said America, he spoke of the whole hemisphere. When he was talking about the U.S., he said the United States, not America." The pope brought with him heightened awareness of power and restrictive social structures to every country he visited. "He had a very sincere concern for the poor," Elizondo said. He brought it to the level of nations — he challenged the rich nations to address these issues.

Pope John Paul also encouraged new evangelization and finding new ways to communicate the Gospel, Elizondo said.

Dedication to the youth

Elizondo also remembers Pope John Paul II for his dedication to alleviating suffering and intolerance and his strong belief in the youth as the future of the Church.

"He always challenged young people to greatness," Elizondo said. "He said You know, if this is the future of the Church and society, we have nothing to worry about." In 1985, Pope John Paul II called young people to join him for the First World Youth Day (WYD) celebration in Rome. Every other year, the pope held a WYD, where he encouraged the world's youth to live the gospels and reach out in a spirit of evangelization to their peers, Elizondo said.

"He has outraged young people," Elizondo said, who attended WYD in Denver, Paris and Rome.

The pope connected to youth in a unique way, Elizondo said, calling them, with confidence, to be dedicated to achieving greatness.

"He never challenged them to be like anyone else. He called them to be great with the talents God has given them," Elizondo said.

Man of great faith

Praying with John Paul II in his private chapel in Rome on numerous occasions, Elizondo saw first-hand the deep faith of the pope.

"It was always very simple, very silent," Elizondo said. "He never read from the Bible, just prayed silently." Elizondo said the pontiff's last words were fitting, as they encapsulated his spirit and deep faith in the Lord — "I surrender myself to Christ, who has always been my strength and my joy."

I think it was a very Christo-centric spirituality," Elizondo said. "At the very basic, even in the way he held his staff, was Christ. As (Pope John Paul II) said, 'Christ is the answer.'"

In addition to being a man of great faith, Elizondo described the pope as a man of tremendous talents, who was interested in poetry, languages, sports and even acting.

"He carried that theatrical part into the papacy," Elizondo said. "People connected with him."

Next step for the Church

With Pope John Paul II's death on Saturday, a whirl of discussion began about his possible successor. 117 cardinals eligible to vote in the Sacred College of Cardinals have the task of choosing a new pope.

According to Elizondo, they will not be looking for another John Paul II.

"I don't think they'll come close to filling his shoes because it will be totally different shoes," he said. Though he cannot predict who the cardinals will choose to be the next leader of the Roman Catholic Church, Elizondo said a pope from a Latin American or African nation, for example, would be a positive step in the Catholic Church.

"Catholicism is really a world family," Elizondo said. "Having a pope from one of those countries would be a wise choice."

Raising the bar

Though John Paul II is often identified as a conservative figure in the Catholic Church, many believe he is still one of the most significant. He believed very strongly in devoting energy to spreading the message to people around the world and people of all ages, Elizondo said.

"He raised the bar very high for the expectations of the papacy on the world level," Elizondo said. "For example, he challenged communism, but also what he called the 'savage capitalism' of the U.S. He was not afraid to speak out."

Elizondo cited the pope's visits to mosques, talking to "so-called Christians' in Senegal and meeting with the President of the United States to discuss the war in Iraq as times the pope emerged as not just a Catholic leader, but a world leader.

"I would classify him as a great visionary," Elizondo said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Mexico strips mayor of immunity

MEXICO CITY — Mexico's stripped Mexico City's leftist mayor of his immunity from prosecution Thursday, clearing the way for a potential arrest in a vote that also blocks him from running in the 2006 presidential race.

The House vote against Mexico City Mayor Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, similar to impeachment, could force him to stand trial on charges he disobeyed a court order to stop construction of a road on contested private land. It effectively removes him from office.

Earlier in the day, the populist mayor told a rally of over 100,000 supporters in the capital's central plaza that he would turn himself in to go to jail, refuse to accept bail and later represent himself in court against charges.

Pope had considered resigning

VATICAN CITY — Pope John Paul II, who is under the illness and age, considered resigning as he turned 80 in 2000, according to his last will and testament published Thursday. The pope also wrote of tormented times for himself and the church and left a will and testament published into the pope's thinking in the twilight of his life as he reflected about death and his legacy.

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National News

Shooting spree leaves two dead

LAUREL, Del. — A man wearing a bullet-proof vest killed two people and wounded four others Thursday during a shooting rampage in Maryland and Delaware before police arrested him, authorities said.

Police said the suspect also carjacked a vehicle, shot and killed a dog, and rammed a police cruiser into a house during the crime spree. Delaware State Police Cpl. Jeff Oldham said authorities had determined a motive but were not releasing details.

Police said the suspect, Allison L. Norman, 22, did not know any of the victims.

“Quite a morning for a little rural town,” said Laurel’s mayor, John Shwed.

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NEARBY NASA prepares return to space

PACE CENTER, Houston — As she pre­pared to depart the space shuttle commander Eugene Colli­ns said Thursday her crew won’t fly if NASA does not meet a task force’s safety recom­mendations.

“If we ever get to the point where a recom­mendation is not filled in anyone’s mind, we are not going to fly,” the retired Air Force colonel said as she sat alongside her six-member crew during a news conference at Johnson Space Center in Houston.

But the space agency’s only female com­mander said she is confident NASA has met all the requirements — and exceeded some.

Local News

Daylight-saving time vote pending

INDIANAPOLIS — A House vote was possible Friday, April 8, 2005, on a bill that would drop Indiana’s 1972 state­wide observance of daylight­time, but representatives had until Monday to oppose the proposal and send it to the Senate.

The bill’s primary sponsor, Republican Rep. Herrin “Bo” Wheat, said he was unsure whether he had the 51 votes needed to pass the bill on Thursday. He noted that two sup­porters of the controversial legislation were absent, which could hurt its chances.

Rome

World says goodbye to Pope John Paul II

VATICAN CITY — Presidents, prime ministers and kings from around the world joined hundreds of thousands of pilgrims, faithful and other religious leaders in paying a final farewell Friday to Pope John Paul II — the last time one of the largest religious gatherings in the West emerged from St. Peter’s Basilica onto the broad, windswept boulevard, Via della Conciliazione, was processed out onto the square, the wind blew the pages.

A choir sang the Gregorian chant “Grant him Eternal Rest o’er him” and the service got under way.

Cardinals wearing white mitres processed out onto the square, the wind whipping their red vestments.

Earlier, a group of pilgrims awoke in their sleeping bags at dawn to slowly gathering hordes of the faithful stepping around the world. Some of the officials shook Harvey’s hand and offered condolences before mingling and taking their appointed seats.

Turbans, fezes, yarmulkes, black lace veils, or mantillas, joined the “zuc­chettes,” or skull caps, of Catholic priests in an extraordinary mix of reli­gious and government leaders around the world.

Student’s upset father shoots football coach

Shooter likely angry over son’s dismissal from high school athletic programs

CANTON, Texas — The father of a high school foot­ball player shot and wounded the team’s coach Thursday afternoon, authorities said.

Gary Joe Kinne in the chest, apparently with a 45-caliber pistol, police said. The coach, who also is the school’s athletic director, was airlifted to a hospital in nearby Tyler, and a family spokesman said he was in critical con­dition.

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Television footage showed Robertson being carried to an ambulance on a stretcher. A bald­ing man with a goatee, Robertson had a tattoo on his arm of a cartoon char­acter Yosemite Sam brah­dishing two guns and the words “Fire to Baise Hell,” he wrote in 1990, according to the official Vatican translation from Polish. “The path of the church has also become difficult and tense. It is like the faith­ful and for pastors,” that rein­forced the accord.

The last time Downs saw Robertson was about six months ago, when Robertson had a broken leg, bruised and abrasions from a road-rage-related beating on the side of a highway, he said.

The last conversation that I had with him was that he really needed to learn how to control his temper or he was going to get hurt worse than that,” Downs said.

The state’s Homeland Security Office had alerted state officials about the possibility that Robertson had a hit list.

But Chief Mike Echols said officers did not find a hit list on Robertson when he was arrested, but authorities were trying to get a warrant to search his truck, where several guns were visible. The Homeland Security Office is not part of the investiga­tion.
Youth
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often carried out with great sacrifi-
cle and self-denial," Pope John Paul
II wrote to Cardinal Edward E.
Francisco R. Piovetto in May 1996, "by
aiming to foster greater fervor in
spiritual life among young people
who do not know the Church desires to
include them in the rest of the
community, but rather make them
the protagonists of an apostolate
which will spread to the others ages
and situations of life in the ambit of
newevangelization." John Cavaldini, chair of the
theological department, believes the
pope's calling stemmed from his
desire to reassure young adults in
this secular culture to embrace
their ideals and their hopes instead
of their fears.

"I think he wanted to institution-
alize his own commitment to young
population, and to institutionalize
his commitment to preach the
Good News to them," Cavaldini
said. "He placed a lot of hope in
the youth of the world to act as
gatekeepers for the better.

Denton said the pope offered
young hope and the ability to build up
a more just society. "I know that I and other young
people need world leaders to recog-
nize our potential to make a dif­
cence to pilgrims worldwide, specifi-
cally the youth to his prede­
sessors, he said he did not believe
his personal experiences.

Matovina said the youth's admira­
tion for Pope John Paul II's recog­
nization of the importance of including
Christian faiths have also recog­
nized the importance of including
youth. She cited the growth in
youth groups across the country as
evidence of the youth's renewal.

"Educating youth to take action,
whether that means voting in
a national election, or writing a letter
to the local newspaper about a
recycling program, seems to be the
key factor in our American society
to continue to be an issue for the Catholic Church," Oberst
said.

Though Oberst did not attend a
World Youth Day event, she said the
pope's focus on youth inspired
her to become more entrenched in
her faith. She believes the popular­
ity of this movement in the church
inspired youth to voice their opin­
ions on politics and technology in
light of their beliefs.

"Because I know someone influ-
ential was rooting for me, so to
speak, I have since challenged myself to learn more about topics
facing our society and how my
faith may help me to take a stance
on issues," Oberst said.

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their admissions information
sessions and tours.

Fishbey said that in order to
combat this problem, the Office
of Undergraduate Admissions
has an "on-call" admissions
services, the office does not feel
the bill will have a large effect
on visitor mishaps.

"The proposed bill to bring
daylight savings time to Indiana
will not adversely affect our
delay for the school year, due to our
and the Central time zone. The
struggle we encounter on a
daily basis is the misconception with the term Eastern
Standard Time, which is commonly
known as 'New York' time."

While students and visitors
may not be dramatically
impacted by the legislature's
decision, Professor Gerald
Frielinger of the Mandara
Business School's Management
Department explained there
are still many practical reasons
for Indiana to make the change.

"Indiana not going on day-
lights savings time with the rest
of the country is not business
friendly," he said. "Most travel
is to the East, and with the
exception of Chicago, most of
the business transactions and
communications are to the
East Coast. Because of the time
difference (businesses) automati-
cally lose two hours of produc-
tive time at noon, as an exam-
ple, Indiana should stay in the
Eastern time zone and go on
daylight savings with the rest
of the country.

Frielinger said an amendment
added to the bill would allow each
county to decide whether to
take part in daylight-saving
time. "If the bill proceeds with
no changes, this provision would
cause chaos, and the bill should
be killed," he said. "Right now
it's anyone's guess as to what
will happen.

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Hey, is today your Birthday?
Happy 21st Joe!

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In Brief

New head elected to NYSE board

NEW YORK — The former chairman and chief executive officer of a Boston investment firm was elected chairman of the New York Stock Exchange's board of directors, the exchange said Thursday.

Former State Street Corp. executive Marshall N. Carter had been the front-runner to succeed John Reed, the former CEO of Citigroup Inc., who took over the chairmanship in 2003 after former chairman and CEO Richard A. Grasso resigned amid controversy over his pay package.

"It's a great privilege to chair the board of the world's leading equities market," Carter said in a statement. "My colleagues on the board of directors, the exchange's board of directors, the board of executives and the management team will continue to ensure the preeminent marketplace." Carter joined State Street in 1991 as president and chief operating officer, then became CEO in 1992 and added the post of chairman in 1993. He retired in 2001.

Prescription drugs pulled by FDA

WASHINGTON — The blockbuster painkiller Bextra was yanked off the market Thursday, as popular prescription competitors — fromCelebrex to Mobic to high-dose naproxen — carry tough new warnings that they, too, may increase the risk of heart attacks and strokes.

Pfizer, the makers of Bextra, which reached $58 this week, are still resilient, but cautiously expecting the worst. The company said consumers are still strong and people don't care as much as they did. It's kind of weird.

Gas station attendant Jake Latourette pumps gas Thursday in Portland, Ore. AAA Oregon says gasoline prices have hit a record high in Oregon at $3.26 for a gallon of regular unleaded.

Government experts claim prices will not drop below two dollars per gallon

U.S. retailers report mixed March sales

NEW YORK — Snow and sleet last month left few consumers in a mood to shop. But with spring finally settling in, retailers are likely to see their business thaw, and maybe even blossom.

Hardly anyone wanted to buy lightweight or pastel-colored clothes. And so many of the nation's retailers struggled with mixed sales — heavyweights Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Limited Brands Inc. fell short of expectations when merchants released their sales figures Thursday.

Some analysts said last month wasn't all that bad. Teenagers, perhaps the hardest of shoppers, gave youth-oriented apparel sellers including Abercrombie & Fitch Co. and Bebe Stores Inc. a solid month. And the analysts say consumers are still upbeat about spending despite oil prices in the $50 range and the threat of rising interest rates.

March results "shows consumers are still resilient, but cautiously spending," said retail analyst Rachel Schecter at Thomson Financial in New York. "The theme that I've noticed is that teen retailers are preparing the way for some great results," while department stores, which tend to attract older shoppers, put in a more mixed performance, Schecter added.

Even some upscale retailers like Neiman Marcus Group Inc., which have benefited in recent months from the improving economy, were hurt by the weather. Other March underperformers included moderately priced J.C. Penney Co., Inc., whose sales soundly missed estimates, and discount department store operator Kohl's Corp., which had an unexpected drop in business.

Discounter Target Corp. was among the winners, easily beating forecasts.

March is an important month for retailers because it sets the tone for spring sales. This year, March took on added importance since it included Easter, which typically marks the biggest surge in consumer spending between New Year's and Memorial Day.

However, an expected sales boost from the Easter holiday failed to materialize, as last month's nasty weather kept people away from stores.

"Despite the favorable Easter shift, sales came in all over the place, reflecting unfavorable weather and tough comparisons," with unseasonably cold weather hampering demand for spring merchandise, Merrill Lynch analyst Mark Friedman wrote in a research note.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — There's a pump shock at every corner gas station, with prices well over $2 a gallon and still rising. And the government says you better get used to it.

The Energy Department projects high gasoline prices and $50-plus crude oil at least through next year as producers struggle to keep up with demand.

The department said Thursday expected gas prices to average $2.35 a gallon nationwide in May, the dawn of the heavy summer driving season. Makers paid an average of $2.32 a gallon last week, 44 cents more than a year ago.

"If some thinks we will dip below $2, once a benchmark rarely reached, then they're mistaken," says Guy Caruso, head of the Energy Information Administration, the DOE's statistical agency. Caruso said the forecast is for prices to average $2.32 a gallon through September and remain high after that, well into 2006, mainly because of lingering high crude oil prices and growing demand. He said crude oil, which briefly reached $58 this week, are likely to stay above $50 a barrel into next year.

Ironically, just as the federal officials were talking about higher prices, crude climbed nearly $2 a barrel to just over $54 a barrel and futures fell near 11 cents before slightly rebounding Thursday. New York Mercantile Exchange.

Will that have any impact on prices at the pump? "Probably not," says Phil Flynn, senior market analyst at Alaron Trading Corp. in Chicago.

"We're in a new era of high gasoline prices. The economy is strong and people don't care as much as they did. It's kind of weird."
When Pope John Paul II passed away Saturday, he left a 26-year legacy of leadership, more than enough time to span most college students’ lives. His longevity and his incredible holdings within them, even though they might need a second mortgage to do so. Yet, his trips to museums, especially during periods so busy it is difficult to catch even a glimpse of the art through the crowds of people surrounding you, often cause me to wonder what much of this art is really being enjoyed rather than simply consumed.

This question becomes particularly compelling when one strolls through the more abstract sections of MoMA. To understand what many modern artists are doing often requires far more information than most museums offer or most visitors could acquire in a span of an afternoon. The details shared on the tiny white cards next to individual pieces are often scant. Titles such as “Untitled #34” do not offer much help in understanding the standing the motivations or intentions of the artist. When museums do attempt to share the latest gravitas of a work they often offer phrases whose obscurity only thickens the cloud of unknowing. The work of one artist exhibited at MoMA was praised for an “experience in which past and present are intertwined elements of an enduring proposition.” If that sentence actually says anything I would be interested in having translated into English.

I consider the responses elicited by such works as indicative of an intriguing cultural dynamic: the desire by museums to avoid the standard of art simply because others have told them we are worthy of appreciation. It is worth considering how many people would spend twenty dollars to view seemingly identical pieces of non-representational art were they displayed in a New York gallery.

Actually such an exhibit never would be allowed. It could prove particularly so if wine and cheese were offered and a man in dark clothing plucked an acoustic bass. While touring MoMA I overheard one man say to his children: “I don’t know why this is distinguished, but that’s art.” Perhaps he missed something. Or perhaps he realized standing there, in the rest of us missed. Is it possible that the cultural artifacts landed as bold, inventive, and groundbreaking are really nothing more than modern incarnations of the emperor who walked around without any clothes on? Perhaps the only difference is that the little girl who felt compelled to announce that the emperor was naked could now simply paint her own version of some of the works of art hanging in MoMA.

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A. Social justice cannot be attained by violence. Violence kills what it intends to create.

Pope John Paul II
LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Poverty is death

I am opposed to Shack City 2005 sponsored by ND Habitat for Humanity. According to Habitat's Web site, the purpose of Shack City is to raise awareness and funds for substandard housing by putting students in an environment where they will be compelled to consider the plight of those in substandard housing. Shack City is not intended as a competition to create an enjoyable event by creating community and providing entertainment — live bands, games and a marshmallow roast.

In the words of the organizer in last year's Observer article about Shack City, "This event is a way to protest the thinking that we can ignore [homelessness] in our daily life." Jaglinski said.

I agree we ignore substandard housing and poverty in our daily routine and applaud Habitat's effort to bring awareness and funds for the poor. However, I do not agree that sleeping in cardboard boxes, listening to live bands and roasting marshmallows is the best moral option.

As a disclaimer, I do not believe that Habitat has any intention of defining the poor in Shack City. According to theologian Gustavo Gutierrez, material poverty means premature and unjust death. It is never to be imitated or romanticized which is what Shack City attempts. A volunteer is given a commitment to solidarity with the poor which is completely different than imitating. Solidarity means sharing and is put into action by sharing, forgiving foreign debts, distributing excess wealth and allowing the marginalized into our consciousness, etc.

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My strongest objection to Shack City is that the imitation of material poverty is no good. According to theologian Gustavo Gutierrez, material poverty means premature and unjust death. It is never to be imitated or romanticized which is what Shack City attempts. A volunteer is given a commitment to solidarity with the poor which is completely different than imitating. Solidarity means sharing and is put into action by sharing, forgiving foreign debts, distributing excess wealth and allowing the marginalized into our consciousness, etc.

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Alex Koppelman
University of Pennsylvania
April 7

U-WIRE

Daylight savings a waste of time

A friend of mine almost missed her Kaplan LSAT class. Needless to say, she was pissed. How many of you cursed when you woke up this past Sunday, only to find an hour of work and study missing? My guess is that my friend wasn't the only one.

"As you are all no doubt aware in regards to the remaining DST debates it's time to 'spring forward' as the United States enters Daylight Savings Time once again. First established in the United States shortly after World War I, DST has become ingrained into the American consciousness. But need this be so? A legal text in the presence of the courts for roughly a century is a decr ipt law whose intended purpose is muddled with ambiguity. Its perceived benefits are outweighed by the tangible costs it creates. "

Arguments in favor of DST generally rest upon a few now-fa ulty premises. One is the supposed benefit DST would provide to farmers, giving them an extra hour of sunlight with which to work. Another argument commonly used is that it helps businesses. By giving consumers an extra hour of sunlight after work, they can use the sunny weather to go shopping. While there may be slight benefits from doing so, at some point the benefits from an extra hour of sunlight after they get home from work, and the aggregative savings in energy costs due to unused electricity would be fairly large.

A poll, however, the most convincing for the time in which the law was enacted, was that of energy conservation. According to a monitoring service, the word "pope" was mentioned a staggering 8,321 times by major television outlets from midnight Sunday — you would otherwise spend on iTunes or Jimmy John's or a night out. Visit the Center for the Homeless. Poverty is death, unjust death. It is never to be imitated or romanticized which is what Shack City attempts. A volunteer is given a commitment to solidarity with the poor which is completely different than imitating. Solidarity means sharing and is put into action by sharing, forgiving foreign debts, distributing excess wealth and allowing the marginalized into our consciousness, etc.

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Coverage of pope, Schiavo tough to miss

So, did you hear the pope died? I bet you did. In fact, I'm nearly sure of it. According to TV eyes, a digital media monster that didn't even exist at the time of the pope's death was staggered by 8,321 times by the combination of National Radio, National TV and the major television outlets from Friday morning until midnight Sunday — that's once every thirty seconds.

Fox News alone mentions the pope 2,000 times. And according to Eric Boehlert of salon.com, Sunday's major newspapers were little different.

The Detroit Free Press ran 11 stories about the death of the pope; my hometown Baltimore Sun ran 14. The Los Angeles Times had 15 articles on the pope, including an editorial spanning 7,339 words, 10 times the length of this column. The New York Times ran 16, and Long Island's Newsday ran 41.

There were some times this weekend when the story seemed ever-present. Pick up a newspaper, turn on the TV, check your Facebook account, open your email and you were guaranteed to read about the death of the pope. It was nearly impossible not to.

But I bet you didn't hear about the Republican senator who, on the Senate floor, rationalized the recent murders of federal court judges and their families, saying that it could be directly traced to the people's frustration with what he termed "political decisions," like those in the Terri Schiavo case and the recent banging of juvenile execution. And I bet you didn't hear about an alert that said there was an attack by insurgents in Iraq, in which 40 American soldiers were injured. The speaker of the House essentially announced these stories daily during the days of wall-to-wall coverage, at the expense of breaking nothing new to report, and yet it wasn't, during the days of wall-to-wall coverage, at the expense of breaking very important and newsworthy stories. Every word implies that any news is, indeed, a subjective and important part in shaping the post-Gold War world.

But think about the word news. The very word implies that any news is new, well, now. And that's what the news should be — important and newsworthy precisely because it is something you don't already know. But after the actual death of the pope, very little happened. He was moved to public viewing, and that was about it. There wasn't, during the days of wall-to-wall coverage, an election of a new pope or even any solid information on who might be elected. There was absolutely nothing unexpected about the story, other than the fact that the pope died, and something newsworthy merited round-the-clock coverage, at the expense of breaking stories that do not do deserve an unexpected and important way.

The constant attention paid to the death of the pope, much like the media frenzy that surrounded the death of Terri Schiavo, is hardly surprising. "If it bleeds, it leads," is the familiar motto of many a news organization, and any of those organizations rational and calculated to be vastly improved by a story where the blunder is someone believed the pope died.

Conservatives will tell you that the problem isn't the media, but rather they're wrong. The real problem with today's news isn't a subjective and largely false notion of bias: It's money.

Once, the important part of the news was the story; now, it's the potential profit in the story.

It's cheap to cover the death of the pope or Terri Schiavo or the court case of Michael Jackson. Plant a talking head in front of his hospital or courtroom, and you're done. But break the story of Watergate? That takes months of hard work by a team of reporters dedicated to a story that may never pan out, and even if it does, may never get widespread attention. That's time news organizations are no longer willing to give.

Expansive coverage of a single important topic, like the pope, is not automatically a bad thing. It's when that coverage some have argued during the Schiavo case and other news, that can help shape popular opinion and government action, that we should start to have a problem. And we've been seeing that at more and more lately. Slowly but surely, that is taking its toll on our media and on us. It's why our elected officials, the supposed guardians of our rights and freedoms, should stand up and finally take action to reverse, rather than assist, the trend toward a conglomeration.

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Showing her roots with pride

Cape Breton fiddler
Natalie MacMaster
takes music from Nova Scotia on the road

STORY BY MARIA SMITH

If you’re the kind of person who loves a top-notch fiddler, this is the time to turn out. No, she’s not Irish; she’s not Scottish and she’s not even from Cape Breton. Natalie MacMaster and her music are pure Cape Breton. But you might be surprised to hear how familiar MacMaster’s music sounds. This Canadian strain of the Celtic genre dates right back to settlers from the 19th century Scottish Highlands and has stuck so close to the Celtic tradition as to seem as if it must come from Scotland today,” MacMaster said. “We always call it Cape Breton music because it sounds so different. It’s not really the same any more.”

The name Cape Breton might not pop up for anyone on the musical map, but if anyone can put it there, it’s MacMaster. The musician has been touring the United States for a decade, attracting anyone who loves a good Celtic reel or jig. In 2000, she was nominated for a Grammy for her 1998 release “My Roots Are Showing.” In 2004, she won a Juno award, the Canadian equivalent of a Grammy, for her 1999 release “In My Hands.”

MacMaster’s latest album, “Bluespiza,” released in 2003, contains a mix of Appalachian sounds with some Celtic ideas. “I’m very proud of the album,” MacMaster says. “It’s a blend of different styles, from blues to celtic, from rock to classical.”

The album features her signature fiddle playing, with some other instruments like the banjo and mandolin. “I play the fiddle because it’s the instrument I love,” MacMaster says. “I started playing when I was six and I haven’t stopped since.”

The album also includes some of MacMaster’s original compositions, including “The Blue Ridge Mountains,” which she says is inspired by the beauty of the Appalachian Mountains.

MacMaster’s concerts are known for their high energy and the talent of her fiddle playing. “I don’t practice dancing, I’m not trained,” she says. “I just love the energy of the music and the music is the main draw, but the energy of the music is what brings people back.”

MacMaster’s concerts are a true celebration of the Cape Breton music, which she says is a unique blend of Scottish, Irish, and French traditions. “It’s a place that’s always been a crossroads of cultures,” she says. “The music is a reflection of that.”

The next concert will be held on Friday, August 20, at 8 p.m. in the Leonard Touring Concert Hall. Tickets cost $15 for students, $20 for seniors, $25 for faculty and staff, and $30 for the general public.

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A new hero for the martial arts genre

New hit starring Thai actor and fighter Tony Jaa screens at the PAC this weekend

By BRIAN DOXTADER Scene Writer

"Ong-Bak: The Thai Warrior" essentially introduces Thai action cinema to the world. The film, which is a wildly entertaining showcase for newcomer Tony Jaa, succeeds as a stylish and engaging martial arts film.

Much of the success of the sacred statue Ong-Bak is stolen from the temple in a rural Thailand village, Ting (Tony Jaa) is chosen to go to the city and try to recover it. When he arrives, he gets inexplicably caught up in the antics of his misanthropic cousin George (Petchtaichai Wongkamlao), who has fallen in with the gangsters in his single-minded quest.

The plot is about as thin as they come, but the real reason to see this film is for Tony Jaa, who has the potential to become a great star. The film really becomes a showcase for his physical abilities and his perfection of Muay Thai, a style of martial arts. Jaa's athleticism recalls the tradition of Hong Kong predecessors like Bruce Lee, Jackie Chan and Jet Li. He even raises the bar with his physicality, thus playing through a street by himself - a great visual device.

The scene where Ting, chased through a street by a gang of men, leaps from tables, people, fences and cars is pure cinematic magic. Muay Thai, a fighting style which is mostly perfunctory, is used and also shows off the elaborate stunts.

"Ong-Bak: The Thai Warrior" will be shown at the PAC at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Friday, April 8 at the Browning Cinema.

Tickets are required.

The Hollywood way is to pump more money into more technology, and that will continue to try to establish the cinematic signature for Hong Kong or the United States. And it may not notice it on the first viewing, you may not register that technique.

Scenes like those in "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" use and also show off the elaborately choreographed fight scenes. The film is cleanly edited so that nothing obscures the visually arresting spectacular performance.

We also have a case where in foreign martial arts films, unlike the first kung fu invasion in the early seventies, where we get to hear the original language. It's not dubbed into some kind of compromised English that in many ways undermines the thematic content and devolves into some kind of campiness or comedy that is not part of the original script.

Q: Why was this a film that was able to break out of the predictable realm of film from every country in Asia. Far too often, we tend to focus on the far East, with China and Japan dominating. The notion of Asia has to be much broader. "Ong-Bak" is part of southeast Asia. In the future we would love the possibility of being in a film from every country in Asia.

A: That's a complicated question. There are several issues that go into selection of films for a film festival. One of the most important aspects for us being in South Bend is that we are geographically isolated and not part of the regular film festival circuit. So while this film would be easily accessible in a major city, having it come here especially in an original 35 millimeter film print would be almost impossible.

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What we're trying to do with the film festival is start small, and demonstrate that there is critical demand on campus and within the larger Asian American community. The film festival would enlarge the selection of the films that we bring in, which we bring in for screenings. Ultimately, there are some films that just need to be seen on the big screen in order to be fully appreciated, and "Ong-Bak" is one of them.

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Q: What are your overall impressions of "Ong-Bak: The Thai Warrior"?

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SMC
Team set to compete on rigorous Tri-State course
By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary’s Golf team has four commitments between May 6 and the NCAA Championships in May, and the Belles will travel to Tri-State University this weekend to try to put a victory on the list.

This weekend’s one-day event, which takes place on Saturday, is one which ought to have much more to offer the ladies in the way of golfing conditions. The forecast for this weekend is warm and sunny with little chance of precipitation. The day should be a nice change for the golfers, who were faced with a spring snowstorm just one week ago.

The team will be playing this weekend at Zolnier Golf Course on the Campus of Tri-State University. The course has been the three-time host of the National Collegiate Golf Championships as well as the site for Sectional State Qualifying and Indiana PGA Junior Age-Group Championships. The course is known for its strategically placed water hazards and hilly terrain and is considered by many as the “thinking player’s” golf course.

Highly-ranked Louisville squad on Wednesday. “We know they’ve played 4-3 this last two years, last year we won the last match... There’s a pretty good team, (and) they’re as well coached as anyone in the country, so we expect to have our hands full.”

However, the Irish are looking forward to the challenge. “That’s kind of the way you want it at the end of the year... to make yourself as viable as you can for the NCAA tournament,“ Bayliss said.

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ND WOMEN’S GOLF
Irish look to extend streak
By KEVIN BRENNAN
Sports Writer

Coming off two straight tournament victories, Notre Dame will look to continue its winning ways this weekend at the Lady Boldermaker Invitational in Oxford. Purdue, will feature a very competitive field of 13 teams. Each team’s four lowest scores make up the team score.

The Irish will be led by junior captain Katie Brophy and sophomore Noriko Nakazaki. Brophy leads the Irish in scoring with a 75.92 stroke average. Nakazaki is coming off her first-ever individual tournament victory at last weekend’s Indiana Invitational.

Senior Karen Lotta, freshman Anastasia Diaz-Calderon, who will be making her debut on the travelling squad, will round out the Irish lineup.

“We are really expecting big things from Karen,” Lotta said. “She has been playing really well. We hope that this is her breakout tournament that she can be in the lineup regularly.”

Notre Dame needs a strong showing in the Lady Boldermaker to increase its chances of reaching a second straight Central Regional NCAA Championships. The Irish currently sit on the bubble, but an impressive performance this weekend could go a long way.

The field is filled with other Central Regional teams with whom the Irish are competing for a spot in the championship tournament. Five of the teams — Michigan, Kent State, Texas A&M, Purdue and Northwestern — are currently ranked higher than Notre Dame. This week’s result, however significant it would be if they managed to defeat some of these teams this weekend.

“There are a lot of Central Regional teams there that we need to beat,” Lotta said. “We are just really going to try and finish as high as we can because every team we beat here is really important for our standings.”

The team should benefit from the confidence boost it received after coming out on top in the past two tournaments. However, the Irish realize that as the highest ranked team in each tournament, they are supposed to win.

The team acknowledges that improvements must be made for similar results to come this weekend against a much stronger field.

“We’ve been working a lot on our short game this week,” Lotta said.

A lot of putting and chipping has been done. Everyone hit the ball well last weekend. We just didn’t score well.”

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Men's Tennis
Irish hope to end home season on positive note
By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

After a disappointing loss to Southern Methodist University last weekend, the Irish are hoping not to drop the ball against Ball State, who visit Notre Dame on Saturday for the mens’ final home match of the season.

"I think like most seasons, we’ve had ups and downs," coach Bobby Bayliss said. "Last Sunday was a down, but I think we’ve got a chance to show that we’re as strong and in the top 25 — that’s our goal.

At the beginning of the season, the Irish had trouble building momentum, although Bayliss remains confident in the ability of his young players.

"It starts again," it starts with Ball State," Bayliss said, pointing out that the Cardinals dropped a close decision to a highly-ranked Louisville squad on Wednesday. "We know they’ve played 4-3 the last two years, last year we won the last match... There’s a pretty good team, and they’re as well coached as anyone in the country, so we expect to have our hands full.”

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Hope remains undefeated with 5-4 win over Belles

By TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writer

The Flying Dutch of Hope College knocked off the Belles, 5-4, Thursday afternoon at Saint Mary's to maintain first place in the MIAA with a 4-0 conference record.

Thursday marked the first time since 2000 that Saint Mary's (3-0-1) lost to Hope (9-7), junior co-captain Kristen Palombo said. The loss dropped the Belles in fifth place in the conference at 1-1.

"Hope is the kind of team that's always been in the top half of the conference," Palombo said.

"We've been lucky in the past couple of years to close it out, but we lacked that today.

Coach Dee Stevenson pointed to the Belles' doubles play as the decisive factor in Thursday's loss.

"I thought we needed to win two out of three doubles, and we only won one," Stevenson said.

Winning two would have taken the pressure off of singles play, which the team split, 3-3.

The highlight of singles play came from Palombo's three-set victory over junior, and fellow No. 1 singles player, Anneliese Fox 7-6 (7-3), 4-6, 6-4 — handing Fox her first conference loss in three years, Stevenson said.

"I'm on cloud nine," Palombo said. "This is one of those moments where you have to be proud of yourself. It's the best I've played all year."

Stevenson agreed.

"She normally plays very well, and today she played very smart," she said.

"Kristen had a game plan going into the match. She followed the game plan. Palombo agreed with Stevenson that the execution of her game plan carried her to victory.

"We have the exact same scheme," Palombo said of Fox. "We're backboards. We make each other move around. She knows what I'm trying to do, and I know what she's trying to do — and I was able to outlast her."

The Belles' biggest point carriers on the day were sophomore Calle Mulcahy and Kelly McDavitt, who won their No. 2 doubles match as well as their singles matches.

Palombo was particularly impressed with McDavitt's perseverance in her singles match, which she came back to win 0-6, 6-4, 6-0.

"Kelly played a great match," Palombo said. "It was really great for her confidence because when you lose a match 6-0, it's human nature to want to throw in the towel."

Coach Stevenson credited McDavitt for her ability to make impromptu adjustments.

"We had to change the game plan in the middle of the match," he said. "She did that, and it threw her opponent off."

Though the loss dropped Saint Mary's to the middle of the pack in the standings of the nine-team conference, Palombo remained optimistic towards the rest of the conference season, which the Belles have won two out of the last three years.

"We're still a young team," she said. "We have a lot of players getting more experienced. Hopefully these matches will teach us something."

The Belles will have their next crack at a conference foe in their next game April 13 at Kalamazoo College (6-3, 2-1 MIAA).

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SMC TENNIS

Team looking to secure much-needed win over Adrian

By TOM STILES
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's (5-12) will look to match its first conference win this Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. when they visit MIAA foe Adrian College (6-13). After having dropped their last nine games, the Belles find themselves in desperate need of a win if they want to salvage the season.

Adrian comes in looking for its second conference win and, much like the Belles, is in need of a confidence-building victory. Adrian has dropped three of its last four games, most recently splitting a double-header with Tri-State University, who swept the Belles Monday. They enter action this weekend at seventh place in the MIAA, two spots ahead of last place Saint Mary's.

Saint Mary's will look to capitalize on the recent play of Adrian College, which has been sub-par. Adrian is currently dead last in team batting average and second to last in team ERA. Saint Mary's is sixth in each category, which should correlate to a better record, but the Belles' shoddy fielding in recent games has finding a percentage of only .869 — has warded solid pitching performances.

The Saint Mary's offense has gradually begun to show improvement over the last few weeks. In fact, the Belles rank in the top five in hits, runs scored, and total bases. The pitching has also shown signs of coming around, but errors have proven to be the Belles undoing as they lead the conference with nineteen miscues.

The games Wednesday against Albion College proved no different from the tone of the season, as the Belles committed twelve errors in both games combined, which resulted in 14 unearned runs between the two match-ups. The Belles' bats came alive in both games, scoring six runs in game one and five runs in game two.

Game one saw junior pitcher Bridget Grail fall to 3-6 on the season, despite surrendering only two runs in a game that needed extra frames to be decided. In game two, freshman pitcher McKenna Cergian was roughed up for six earned runs on ten hits as she fell to 2-6 on the year.

Up next for Saint Mary's following Saturday's double-dip with Adrian College will be an April 12 match-up on the road against a talented Calvin College squad (12-4).

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Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division
- Toronto: 30-44 (.405), 3-7, 10.5
- Cleveland: 38-36 (.514), 4-6, 9
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- Golden St.: 30-45 (.400), 9-1, 27.5
- Sacramento: 46-30 (.605), 6-4, 12

Western Conference, Pacific Division
- Miami: 56-19 (.747), 7-3
- Philadelphia: 37-37 (.500), 6-4, 3.5
- Seattle: 50-24 (.676), 6-4
- Memphis: 42-32 (.568), 5-5, 13
- LA Lakers: 33-41 (.446), 1-9, 24
- Phoenix: 57-17 (.770), 9-1
- Houston: 44-31 (.587), 5-5, 11.5
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- Portland: 24-50 (.324), 1-9, 26
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In Brief

Schilling roughed up in first start

INDIANAPOLIS — Curt Schilling gave up seven runs in six innings in a rehabilitation start for Boston's Triple-A Pawtucket farm team Thursday, then said he's ready to start for the Red Sox next week against the New York Yankees at Fenway Park.

"I felt great," he said. "Going into today, I wanted to get mentally ready. I stretched it out. No fatigue. I felt strong. I'm going to go out and compete against the Yankees on Wednesday. I'll be ready.

"Schilling, recovering from offseason ankle surgery, allowed 11 hits, including two solo homers, a triple and a double. He struck out six and walked none, throwing 77 of 109 pitches for strikes in a 7-5 loss to the Indianapolis Indians.

After throwing 47 pitches and struggling with left-handed hitters in the first two innings, he retired 12 of his last 16 batters, striking out four.

Francona did not have heart attack

BOSTON — Red Sox manager Terry Francona did not have a heart attack and results of medical tests on him "are very good," Boston's team doctor said Thursday.

Francona was hospitalized in New York on Wednesday morning after feeling tightness in his chest and was transferred to Massachusetts General Hospital later in the day.

The team did not say when Francona might rejoin the Red Sox, who begin a three-game series Friday in Toronto and will receive their World Series rings before Monday's home opener against the New York Yankees.

"The plan is to perform several series of tests on Terry," Dr. Thomas Gill said in a statement released by the club. "The results of the initial series are very good.

Davenport downs Peschke

AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. — Lindsay Davenport needed just 55 minutes to beat Kvetu Peschke 6-2, 6-2, before rain postponed most of the afternoon matches Thursday at the Bausch & Lomb Championships.

No. 5 seed Venus Williams and Maria Dominachowska were tied at one set each before the delay. They will finish their match Friday. The winner will face Davenport.

The match between second-seeded Serena Williams and former Bausch & Lomb champion Mary Pierce was also moved back a day to Friday.

Matches scheduled for Thursday evening included third-seeded Anastasia Myskina's against No. 15 Shinobu Asagoe. Rain was forecast in the area for most of the night.

Venus andouch Williams lost the first set 6-3, but came back to take the second set 6-4. The players were tied at 30-30 in the first game of the third set when the rain came.

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**ND WOMEN'S TENNIS**

**Notre Dame to rely on depth in weekend matches**

By ANN LOUGHERY

Seeking to emerge as victo­ri­ous as Hickory High School once was in the Indiana State Crew Championship, the Notre Dame women’s rowing team has been in a state of preparation this weekend. The women will face Indiana University and Purdue at Eagle Creek Reservoir on Saturday, a match between all three teams.

The Irish raced with Purdue last weekend at the San Diego Crew Classic in a close race with several other teams. Indiana and Purdue faced off early in this spring season at Clemson, a race in which Indiana was victorious. The Indiana Hoosiers have been feeling the force in women’s crew so far this season, going undefeated. The Irish look for some redemption against the appar­ently unstoppable Hoosier force.

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ND WOMEN’S LACROSSE

Notre Dame heads into pivotal weekend

Team is set to host No. 2 Duke, Stanford in upcoming meets

By ERIC RETTER
Sports Writer

The Irish have a perfect opportunity to turn around their season as they play host to two opponents this weekend. Notre Dame (3-6) is set to take on No. 2 Duke at 4 o’clock today before squaring off against Stanford Sunday afternoon.

Friday and Saturday’s games mark the second straight weekend of the Irish homestand, as last weekend the team split games, losing to Connecticut, 13-10, before topping Rutgers, 26-25.

Overall, Irish head coach Tracy Coyne was pleased with the way her team performed and said she is looking for them to improve in these upcoming games.

“As even though we lost the UConn game, last weekend was very good,” Coyne said. “One thing we’re focusing on is starting strong, and we started strong again against Rutgers and Connecticut.”

But Coyne remains anxious to see more consistency from her players.

We started strong, we finished strong, but we have to stay strong throughout the game,” she said.

Despite the quality of her team’s opponents, Coyne is confident her team will be ready come game time.

“Duke is a very strong team, they’re solid in every single aspect,” she said. “Last year, we upset them, and now we’re looking to give them an equally strong game.”

Notre Dame will be led by junior midfielder/attacker Christy Foote, who was recently named co-Big East player of the week for the week ending April 3. The nomination marks the second time Foote has received the award this season, as she was also named player of the week on Feb. 28.

The senior currently leads the team in both goals and assists, with 20 goals and nine assists.

Her performance, as well as that of her teammates, should be strong this weekend, as Coyne has definitely noticed home field advantage at work with her team during their recent games.

“March was tough, we were on the road so much,” she said. “Playing at home, we can focus on our gameplan rather than travel.”

As the games approach, Coyne is aware of the heightened sense of competition that comes with home field advantage.

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Football

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“I usually, you’ll have only one tight end on the field,” Weis said. “But I have packages where there’s two tight ends and three tight ends. So after I deal with the quarterback and the five linemen — so you know you have six on the field — then I try to figure out from the rest of the skill people who the best guys are from the different packages and try to put them in the best position.”

And that’s why Fasano (6-foot-4, 260 pounds) is the leading candidate to become Notre Dame’s number one receiving option out of the tight end slot after a 27-catch, 367-yard, four-touchdown showing in 2004.

Like the rest of the players at the position, however, Fasano also has areas he needs to improve.

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“As of now, the multiple-tight end talk is only that, though the players seem anxious to turn the talk into action.”

“We haven’t actually put in the three-tight end formation yet, but I mean, the more tight ends the better,” Fasano said.

The high number of tight ends isn’t the only thing that can benefit an offense. Years of experience spread out among the potential contributors adds another positive variable to coaching the tight end position.

“As of right now, there’s a lot of talent and tiered experience,” Weis said.

“By that I mean (the players) are not all the same year in school. When you have tiered experience, it gives you the opportunity to not only play them but also to groom them at the same time.”

Fasano said a major positive of spring practice has been that the tight ends, as well as the offensive linemen, have been picking up Weis’ system well.

“If our tight ends are able to get us in offensive positions and run the routes and get open, I think it’ll give the offense a big advantage.”

Coyne said.

Tight ends coach Bernie Parmalee characterized his group of tight ends as talented and willing to learn. Also, in the same way as Weis, Parmalee said he has his own opinion and philosophy on how his players need to improve.

“They all have the ability, they’ve just got to work the
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score and Yancey to call a meeting at the
top of the fourth, taking with an infield single and stole second base.

Taylor Yancey then batted a hard ground ball to the middle
of the infield and Notre Dame second baseman Katie Laing made
a nice diving stop under pressure to stop the ball. But Laing threw wildly to first, allowing McGregor to score and Yancey to move up to second base. At the time, it was the second Irish error of the game, and Gumpf decided to call a meeting at the mound.

“I told our girls that they had to be aggressive in defense and attack the ball more often.”

Deanna Gumpf Irish coach

Hartmann then jacked a home run to left field, and Mallorie Lenn followed with a double to center field that almost cleared the fence as well.

Following that meeting, Booth and the rest of the Irish defense settled down, with Notre Dame getting three consecutive outs with no further damage to get out of the inning.

“It didn’t take long for the Irish to answer. In the bottom of the fourth inning, Megan Ciofli led off with a bunt single and then stole second base. After Meghan Rusethuff struck out, Laing dropped a bloop single to put runners up the corners with one out. We were too passive out there... they needed to be a lot more aggressive out in the field.”

Deanna Gumpf Irish coach

Sarah Smith pitch ran for Lenn and moved up a base on Carina J aquis’ groundout to third. Sara Schonauer followed with a clutch RBI single to right, scoring Smith from third base. Stephanie Brown grounded out to third base to end the inning.

Stengleman came on in the fifth and pitched masterfully, helping the Irish stay undefeated at home (6-0).

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Lacrosse

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pressure of the situation, we just didn’t handle it very well.”

Coming into the game, the Irish were sitting at 5-2 and needed to win out in order to guarantee themselves a spot in the NCAA tournament.

Now they will have to rely on outside circumstances.

After a scoreless first quarter, Denver got on the board with 13:58 remaining on Ryan Zordan’s fourth goal of the season.

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Notre Dame quickly answered back when Drew Peters netted his second goal of the year with 11:56 remaining.

The rest of the game progressed accordingly. Denver would score, the Irish would answer, and then Denver would respond again shortly after.

Denver’s defense was also relentless.

“They played very well. They pressured us all over the field,” Corrigan said. “I thought we were athletic enough to handle that pressure, but we didn’t look like it today.”

Denver took the lead 3-2, 3:15 before the half on Matt Brown’s 21st goal of the season.

The Irish came out of halftime and quickly tied the game at three when Brian Giordano found Jim Morrison with a clear shot at the net.

Unfortunately for the Irish, Denver scored back-to-back goals 15 seconds apart and regained the lead for good.

Morrison and Peters each had two goals for the Irish. Matt Karwack added a goal and two assists in the loss.

The Irish now need to focus on Sunday’s game with Air Force.

“We’ll find out what the character of our guys is,” Corrigan said. “This is a gut check for our guys — you got to get ready to play on Sunday. Those people aren’t going to feel sorry for you. They are coming here, and they are going to try to win.”

Corrigan stressed that while the loss hurt, it was not the end of the season. There are several games left, and the Irish have their chance to make things happen.

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we’ve got in a seven-inning game, if he can give us 5, 6, maybe even a complete game — all of a sudden you have Tom Thorburn pitching in the two slot, which we’d better appreciate. Maybe that saves the bullpen a little for game three,” he continued. “I’m hoping that will be a spark for us.”

Last season Notre Dame split its regular-season series with Boston College before defeating the Eagles in the opening round and the title game of the Big East Tournament.

Boston College leads the Big East with a 6-1 record, while all of those conference games coming on the road.

“They are doing well. You can see their program growing through the years. It’s going to be a tremendous challenge for us,” Mainieri said. “We have to go out there and compete hard this weekend and get whatever we can back and regroup and hopefully make our stretch run at the end.”

Manship is slated to start game three of the weekend series. He didn’t make the trip to Rutgers last weekend after feeling some discomfort during his mid-week throw-off session.

But Mainieri felt pretty good after throwing Tuesday. He’ll start the game on Sunday at Boston, hopefully giving us two or three innings and be a step in his progression,” Mainieri said.

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from his cheering section in the crowd.

“I think Dan Ott had an excellent performance,” Saltine fan and team star Mike Telerio with four points. Telerio struggled on the defensive end, however, and was unable to contain Lund and Tocy. Lund capped the contest with a game-point breakaway dunk after a steal from Ott. The center, who had previously declined dunking on a fast break in favor of a layup, gave his reasoning after the game.

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