Notre Dame will honor papal candidate with degree

Cardinal Arinze plans to attend graduation

By KATE ANTONACCI
Assistant News Editor

Cardinal Francis Arinze of Nigeria, who has been mentioned in many media accounts as a leading candidate for pope, will be awarded an honorary degree at Notre Dame's commencement ceremony May 1.

University sources confirmed. Theology professor Lawrence Cunningham said the University plans to award Arinze an honorary doctorate at graduation, unless he is named pope before then. "If the pope is selected, he obviously will not be at the commencement," Cunningham told The Observer for an article published April 4.

A second University source also confirmed the award. However, Dennis Brown, associate director of Notre Dame News and Information, said the University is "not prepared to announce the honorary degrees at this time."

Arinze, 72, was close to Pope John Paul II, who chose the Nigerian cardinal to lead the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue in 1985, as the Prefect of Divine Worship and the Disciple of the Sacraments, has been actively involved in creating interfaith dialogue among Catholics, Hindus and Muslims.

As a convert, he is known for being able to speak authoritatively on cross-cultural issues, especially in Nigeria where nearly half of the population is Catholic.

ROTC holds annual Pass in Review

Branches present to University president

By KATIE PERRY
News Writer

The Notre Dame Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) held its annual Presidential Pass in Review at the Joyce Center Wednesday to salute a select group of cadets and midshipmen for their demonstrated excellence in leadership, professionalism and academics, as well as their overall loyalty to the community.

The event—which originates from medieval military practice—is intended to allow the commanding officer or president to assess his or her troops for combat readiness. The Pass In Review has become an integral part of ROTC at Notre Dame since the program's induction to the University in 1842.

Members of the Army battalion, Navy battalion and Air Force wing participated in the ceremony to honor their fellow cadets and midshipmen for their accomplishments in their respective facets of ROTC. Of the program's 311 total members, 90 are in Army, 111 are in Navy and 110 are in Air Force.

"We held the ceremony each year to pay homage to those who have worn the uniform before us and to those who will be commissioned in May as officers," freshman Navy ROTC cadet Bryan Garcia said. "The ceremony is also a time to recognize and honor the First Class midshipmen, especially those who represent the highest values of courage, honor and commitment to both Notre Dame as well as the battalion."

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By MATT LOZAR
Senior Staff Writer

Whichever the case may be, Notre Dame students are obsessed with winning. Coupled with the most successful basketball team in all of college basketball, the Notre Dame fan is one of the most well known and the most dedicated to the community.

"The biggest thing I got out of winning in business was seeing others succeed," Welch said.

Furthermore, Welch spoke on the importance of working with an ecumenical spirit. "The fragmentation of the world is a result of winning and losing." Welch said.

Welch said one part he enjoys about seeing others succeed is when he observes employees of winning businesses who give back to the community.

"There are a lot of altruism acts that came from winning companies," Welch said. "No dot-coms that blew up gave back. Only winning companies give back.

"We have the question-and-answer session with Jack Welch at Notre Dame College of Business for a couple of reasons," College of Business dean Tom Duch. "One is because Welch is former CEO of General Electric and CEO Jack Welch visited the Mendoza College of Business for a question-and-answer session and for promotion his new book "Winning."

Students pursue Irish studies minor

By LISA SCHULTZ
News Writer

While every Notre Dame student can claim to be Fighting Irish, some can actually say they received a true Irish education.

Founded in 1993, the Keough Institute for Irish Studies has been garnering attention for the University recently as people gain understanding of what Irish Studies means for Notre Dame student, John Harrington ran into co-organizer Sarah McKibben at a conference. The two began discussing the possibility of hosting the 2005 conference at Notre Dame. Seamus Deane, leading Irish intellectual and co-founder of the Keough Institute, speaks Wednesday at ACIS meeting.

University professor Christopher Fox, director of the Keough Institute, and a plan to host the event was developed. McKibben then met with professor Christopher Fox, director of the Keough Institute and English professor Christopher Fox said, "It's a serious enterprise."

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Worst day ever

If you didn’t already know it, today is officially the worst day in history. But I’m not talking about your poor social misfortunes.

Look at just three of the things that have occurred on this day that make your concepts look petty.

April 14, 1865: John Wilkes Booth shoots President Lincoln in Ford’s Theater.

Just before the Civil War concluded, the nation fell into turmoil once again as its time-tested theory of slavery in a balcony during a performance of “Our American Cousin.” From that point on, no president took his safety for granted.

April 14, 1912: The Titanic strikes an iceberg and begins sinking in the north Atlantic.

The invincible, colossal giant of the sea, built to survive the greatest of collisions, met its match in the icy waters on its voyage to New York. Over 1,500 passengers and crew perished.

April 14, 2000: The stock market boom of the Nineties met its match, as the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell an unprecedented 617 points and the Nasdaq lost nearly 10 percent, plummeting 355 points.

The market that experts thought could only go up under President Clinton finally crumbled under the pressures of over-pricing, faulty accounting and massive protests in Pennsylvania against the World Bank.

Now if you have it: the Great Emancipator died, the most majestic ship ever sank and the strongest economy in history was shaken to its foundations—all on April 14.

What I guess I’m trying to say here is that no matter how poorly you think your day is going, look at how many other people went through things much worse—on the exact same day.

Maybe you got stuck in a swimming lane with a creepy old man at the Rock. Just think, at least the water is heated and you don’t have to worry about hypothermia.

Maybe you accidentally bounced your check paying for a copy of Jane Fonda’s new book, and NDNUC is going to charge you a $30 fee.

At least you didn’t lose the equivalent of $4 billion over the course of three hours.

Or possibly you got jipped out of a quad you wanted during the lottery or picks.

Well, think about this for a second: at least you can’t own an assassin’s target during a day you went to see and enjoy.

I would definitely choose living with a nightmare for 24 hours over dying while watching a sappy play.

So in the end, what’s happening over a $30 bounced check, the $30 fee, maybe even dying while watching a sappy play. Touch the back of your head. Is it there? Well then smile.

Breath slowly. Is there water infiltrating your lungs? If not, breathe some more.

Pick up your wallet. Is there something of value in there that you can barter on the black market? That’s what I thought.

Now stop complaining and find a new pastime.

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

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Sports Writer

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The SUB movies, because I love movies.

Julie Hynes
sophomore
Howard

Any one that Jimmy’s at.

Alex French
sophomore
O’ Neill

Definitely not the quarter dog eating contest, because I don’t like hot dogs.

Sheldon Dutes
sophomore
Keenan

The SUB movies, because I love it when they change the reel three times.

Kristin Schwarz
sophomore
Pasquarella East

The one with Texas.

Liz Kozlow
sophomore
Pasquarella West

When are we going to get Bruce Springsteen here?

Patrick Corrigan
sophomore
Keenan

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Senator for the 2005-06 school year are sworn in at Wednesday night’s Senate meeting. The new senators voted to honor outgoing University President Father Edward “Monk” Malloy in their first meeting.

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The Mike Peterson Show, NDU’s late night show, will hold its Year-End Spectacular at 7 p.m. Friday in Washington Hall.

Guests include voice of the Fighting Irish Sgt. Tim McCarthy, as well as performances by musical guest Da Natural and Humor Artist of Notre Dame. Tickets are free at the LaFortune Box Office.

A multicultural Eucharistic Procession will be held Saturday Mass in Sacred Heart Crypt will begin at 3 p.m. with the procession heading from the Crypt at 4. Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated according to Filippino, Latino and traditional customs. During the celebration, Pope John Paul II will be remembered in a special way.

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

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The Observer regrets the errors.

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Chicago

President George W. Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld can now also be called bush, cheney and rumsfeld, or simply slime-mold beetles.

Two former Cornell University entomologists named three species in the genus Agathidium after the U.S. leaders, Cornett announced on Wednesday.

Quentin Wheeler and Kelly Miller christened 65 new species of slime-mold beetles, named for the fung-like molds on which they feed, which they discovered after collecting thousands of specimens for a study of their evolution and classification.

Wheeler, who after 24 years as a professor of entomology and plant biology at Cornell is now the keeper and head of entomology at the Natural History Museum in London, said the U.S. leaders were being honored for having “the courage of their convictions.”

New monkey species gets unusual moniker

NEW YORK — An infinite number of newly discovered monkeys trying to name themselves could have pounded on their keyboards a long time before coming up with this one: GoldenPalace.com.

The Internet casino paid $650,000 for the right to name the foot-high primate, online auction house CharityFolks.com announced Wednesday.

“This species will bear the name for as long as it exists,” a spokesman said.

“Hundreds, even thousands of years from now, the GoldenPalace.com Monkey will live to carry our name for as long as it exists,” a spokesman said.

In brief

On Sunday, Notre Dame College Republicans will host a bake sale for social security issues from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today at the Fieldhouse Mall.

Author Colleen Kinder will have a book signing of her book "Delivering the Real World: A Twenty-something’s Guide to Seeking Adventure" today. The event will begin at 4 p.m. in the ND Room in LaFortune.

Author and scholar Adela Cortina will speak on the ethics of development and recognize the career achievements of Notre Dame economist Denis Goulet Thursday at 3 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. Cortina will put forward a model of development ethics in a talk entitled "Development Ethics: A Road to Peace."

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SAGA holds day of silence for gay issues

By MEGAN O'NEIL
Saint Mary's Editor

Just weeks after being approved as an official club at Saint Mary's, the Straight and Gay Alliance (SAGA) kept its promise of addressing issues surrounding sexuality by staging a day of silence Wednesday.

SAGA asked students to make a day-long vow not to speak in order to "recognize and protest the discrimination and harassment — in effect, the silencing — experienced by [lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender] students and their allies," a flyer stated. The action at Saint Mary's was part of a larger national day of silence Wednesday.

"I've seen nothing but support, so I've seen there has been a pretty good reaction as a whole," she said.

Mitchell added such events are necessary to raise awareness that "we are very excited about" upcoming plans. "It's virtually unprecedented, so I think there has been a pretty permanent roles for students in neighborhood coalitions, unofficial partnerships with legal representatives, an off-campus resource guide and a South Bend opportunities guide.

Gender Relations committee chair Aly Wishon said she, like Kott and body president Dave Baron and former vice president Karla Bell had met with Vice President of Student Affairs Bill Kirk and NDSP director Rex Bakow regarding the Freshman Orientation sexual assault information segment.

Baron, speaking on behalf of Residence Life committee chair Mark Seiler, said student government had met recently with Office of Information Technology chief information officer Gordon Wishon about several issues, including printers and wireless access in dorms, an office hours database and computer safety information.

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Baron told senators to mobilize their dorm constituencies to attend the Malloy farewell Mass Sunday at 9 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

"We'll be presenting gifts to Father Malloy on the behalf of the student body," he said.

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Senators select new liaisons

By MADDIE HANNA
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Perhaps drawing inspiration from a seasoned student government official's success story, new senators demonstrated initiative by running for liaison positions as well as hearing committee reports and passing legislation at Wednesday night's Senate meeting.

Senior class president Darrell Scott assumed the podium to discuss his achievement in getting part of the scaffolding surrounding the dome removed temporarily for graduation.

Although Scott did not realize how controversial the issue would become — and said he first thought, "Well, that's the way the cookie crumbles" — Scott said once the e-mails from disappointed and frustrated seniors began flooding in, he started to do research and presented a plan to University officials.

"We're adults — the administration will work with you," he said. "Be respectful towards University officials — it's easy to make them look like the hunchman.

Scott said the coalition of leaders that formed to unite the student union was key in countering the mounting scaffolding and emphasized this unity to senators for their future efforts in enacting change.

"Never give up," he said.

After student body vice president Lizzie Shappell introduced the different student government bodies of which senators are members, senators voted on which of their peers would serve as liaisons to Campus Life Council (CLC), Council of Representatives (COR), Financial Management Board (FMB), Judicial Council and Freshman Orientation.

Knott senator Jacques Nguyen, Student senator David Thaxton and Lewis senator Katie McHugh were elected to serve on CLC. Pasquella West senator Christina Lee was elected as an alternate CLC member.

Keough senator Bob Lindley, Dillon senator Dan Bowen, Kenna senator Jason Zgrabik and O'Neil senator Steve Tortorella were elected as liaisons to COR. Moriarty senator Brian Klein was elected as COR alternate.

Fishner senator Chris Garibaldi and Alumni senator Andrew Beatty were elected to FMB.

St. Ed's senator Fred Thialttes was elected to Judicial Council, and Welsh Family senator Brenna Doyle was elected to Faculty Senate.

Several committee chairs discussed recent developments in their projects.

Steve Cartwright stood in for Community Relations committee chair Nick Guzman and described the committee's "exciting" upcoming plans.

"It's virtually unprecedented, getting students behind community relations initiatives," he said.

Cartwright said the committee would be working on instituting an off-campus safety seminar.

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Now Accepting Applications for JPW 2006 Committee

Help select the committee, theme, decorations, speakers, food and everything else for your Junior Parents Weekend!

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Applications Due MONDAY, APRIL 18th at 5:00 pm.

Apply for any of the following Committee Positions:

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Mass Chair
Arts & Letters Chair
MCOB Chair
College of Science Chair
College of Engineering Chair
Hall Luncheon Chair
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Harris said she, McKibben and Fox planned the conference for over a year. Numerous other faculty, staff, departments, offices and institutes all over campus contributed financial support for the conference, making it a truly University-wide effort. "We are particularly excited about this conference because it will give us a chance to showcase many other Irish studies scholars and introduce them to the program and to the resources available at Notre Dame," Harris said.

There are at least 370 participants registered for the conference, and up to 300 will be participating in 100 panels on all aspects of Irish studies, including history, politics, literature, art, architecture and film. "With over 12 plenary speakers and 100 panels on all aspects of Irish studies, there is something for every academic faculty assistant, professional specialist and program coordinator for Irish Studies Emma O’Ciardha said. There is also a series of events running concurrently with the panels, including concerts, exhibitions, poetry readings and a festival. The schedule includes papers—some of which will be presented by Notre Dame faculty and graduate students—an subjects as varied as "Paddy Punk," Irish sport, James Joyce, Irish dance, the "Troubles," in Northern Ireland, gay Irish fiction, recent film and theater, women’s writing, scandal in Irish culture and Irish America.

Most of the programming for the ACS will take place in the Halls. Several events are open to the public, and McKibben said coordinators hope undergraduates and alumni attend. "These sorts of conferences often happen at a distance from undergraduates or over break," she said. "Instead, we want our students to get the chance to enjoy and learn from all the events, from lecture to panels to films to photographs to music that we’re all brought to campus."

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enough enterprise to catch global attention. When the Associated Press released "Notre Dame Foosters Irish Language Revival," it ranked No. 7 on the top ten most popular links for the week of March 17-23 on CNN.com.

Interest stems from what Fox calls the "third generation factor." Irish American immigrants were taught they were not going to make it in America if their Irish identity showed through. Fox said. Now, their grandchilden and great-grandchildren are seeking out the culture they lacked.

Curiosity about Irish Studies is evident on campus. In the last four years, enrollment in the minor has increased from 13 to 61 students. In the 2004-2005 school year, over 900 students took courses within the Department of Irish Language and Literature.

Irish Studies at Notre Dame is distinct from similar programs at other universities because Irish Language and Literature is its own department as of this school year.

Through generous grants, beginning with a 2.5 million dollar donation from Donald Keough in 1993, the Institute has grown tremendously, Seamus Deane, who Fox calls "the Irish intellectual," co-founded the institute and has attracted top professors in the world to the Keough Institute. These professors are now faculty within the Department of Irish Language and Literature. Fox said he and Deane intend to create a truly international program. "We wanted to make Ireland, not Irish America, central," Fox said.

Creating an authentic international studies program has been accomplished by putting Irish, which is now a minority language, at the forefront. Students in the Irish Studies Minor Area Studies Program must begin by taking three Irish Language courses.

The Irish Studies program puts teaching of the Irish language at the heart of the academic experience," Irish Studies Program director and history professor Emma O’Ciardha said.

The Irish Studies minor also requires students to take four other classes in anthropology, English, Irish language and literature, film, television, and theater, government and history. In the spring semester, courses ranged from "Irish and American Dance" to "Irish Gothic From Union to Troubles."" (The Irish Studies minor) provides a wonderful avenue to exposure to all parts of Ireland," senior Maire Carey said.

Carey spent the spring semester of her junior year studying abroad in Dublin, Ireland. She participated in a study class at Trinity College Dublin in history and politics and took two classes through the University of Notre Dame’s Keough Center in Dublin.

Each year, approximately 70 Notre Dame students — 15 of which are Irish Studies minors — study in Dublin, according to O’Ciardha. In addition to study abroad opportunities, the Keough Institute also typically awards five summer internships, two of which are reserved for students with a minor in Irish Studies. Carey was an intern during summer 2004. "I lived in the heart of Dublin with five other Notre Dame students and worked in the press office of the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs," Carey said. "Dublin had become a home away from home."

Exposure to Irish and European politics gave Carey some insight into writing her Capstone Essay, the final Irish Studies minor requirement, which is fulfilled senior year. The goal of the 30- to 30-page essay is to link the student’s major to their Irish Studies minor. Carey said her paper bridges this gap well. "My major is political science, so I am writing my Capstone about the changing American role in the Northern Ireland peace process since Sept. 11, 2001," she said.

The Keough Institute also has about 20 graduate students in four different disciplines. Grad students have an opportunity to participate in the Irish Seminar, which is also run by the Keough Institute and usually attracts 30 to 40 international graduate students.

What began as a small Notre Dame project more than a decade ago has now become an increasingly comprehensive international program, making Notre Dame a landmark of Irish Studies in the United States. "This is the University of Irish America."

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Saturday 4/16
fisher regatta 11am holy cross hill
howard duck hunt 5pm Coleman-Morse
knot on the knoll 4pm
sub movie oceans 12 4:30pm 7pm DeBartolo101

Sunday 4/17
free laundry 11am-6pm laFortune laundry center
closeing mass for father malloy 9pm Joyce center
followed by celebration 10:30pm

Monday 4/18
panera delivery to classes
tye-dye t-shirt 11:30am east south quad
speaker ken jennings 7:30pm DeBartolo101

Tuesday 4/19
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4:30pm 7pm DeBartolo101

Thursday 4/21
carnival 3pm south quad and west quad
comedian jim gaffigan 8pm legends
best of acousticCafe 10pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 10pm DeBartolo101

Friday 4/22
recess noon west quad tree
unveiling of "the shirt" noon hammes notre dame bookstore
sub movie finding neverland 8pm and 10:30pm DeBartolo101

Saturday 4/23
AnTostal concert 9pm legends
sub movie finding neverland 4:30pm and 7pm DeBartolo101

Sunday 4/24
cubs trip (tickets sold out)

all events are free*
(sub movies are $3
bring to you by the student union board!)

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Rudolph admits to bombing

Says attack at 1996 Olympics was statement against government’s laws on abortion

Associated Press

ATLANTA — A defiant Eric Rudolph pleaded guilty Wednesday to carrying out the deadly bombing at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and said three other attacks, saying he picked the Summer Games to "undermine the U.S. government in front of the world and to bring about a feasible sanctioning of abortion on demand."

"Because I believe that abortion is murder, I also believe that force is justified in an attempt to stop it," he said in a statement handed out by his lawyers after he entered his pleas in back-to-back court appearances, first in Birmingham, Ala., in the morning, then in Atlanta in the afternoon.

Rudolph, 38, worked out a plea bargain that will spare him from the death penalty. He will get four consecutive life sentences without parole for the four blasts across the South that killed two people and wounded more than 220 others.

Rudolph expressed remorse in his statement only for the Olympic bombing, saying: "I apologize to the victims and their families.

In all the attacks, he said he intended only to target "agents of the Washington government" or "abortionists."

In the Atlanta courtroom, Rudolph sat stone-faced and answered questions calmly and politely. In Birmingham, though, he winked toward prosecutors as the judge presiding in that court, said the government could "just barely" prove his case, and admitted his guilt with a hint of pride in his voice.

The statement — a rambling, right-wing manifesto on 11 typewritten, single-spaced pages — marked the first time he offered a motive for the attacks.

"The purpose of the Olympic attack on July 27th [1996] was to condemn, anger and embarrass the Washington government in the eyes of the world for its abominable sanctioning of abortion on demand."

Rudolph said in the statement, in which he also quoted the Bible repeatedly, condemned homosexuality and complained that the Olympics promote "global socialism."

The plan, he said, was "to cause the cancellation of the Games, or at least create a situation of insecurity to empty the streets around the venue and thereby eat into the vast amounts of money invested." He said that because he was unable to obtain the necessary high explosives, "he had to dismiss the unrealistic notion of knocking down the power grid surrounding Atlanta and consequently pulling the plug on the Olympics for their duration."

The bomb that exploded at the Olympics was hidden in a knapsack and sent nails and screw rips flying through a crowd at a Centennial Olympic Park during a ceremony. A woman was killed and 111 other people were wounded in what proved to be Rudolph's most notorious attack, carried out on an international stage amid heavy security.

Rudolph said that he had planned a much larger attack on the Olympics that would have used five bombs over several days. He said he planned to make phone calls well in advance of such an explosion, "leaving only uniformed arms-carrying government personnel exposed to potential injury."

But he said poor planning on his part made that five-bomb plan impossible.

"I had sincerely hoped to achieve these objectives without harming innocent civilians," he said. He added, "There is no excuse for this, and I accept full responsibility for the consequences of using this dangerous tactic."

He said he blew up four other bombs in a vacant lot in Atlanta and left town "with much remorse."

Eric Rudolph, center, is hurried from a aircraft to a waiting van at Fulton County Airport Brown Field Wednesday as he is transported to his second court appearance. The Al Jazeera tape showed a man on the video appeared to be Ake, a contract worker who was kidnapped around noon Monday.

The video came on a day of bloody attacks, as insurgents blew up a fuel tanker in Baghdad, killed 12 policemen in Kirkuk, and drew a car carrying a bomb into a U.S. convoy, killing five Iraqis and wounding four U.S. contract workers on the capital's infamous airport road.

Ake — the 47-year-old president and CEO of Equipment Express, a company that manufacturers bottled water equipment — is the latest of more than 200 foreigners seized in Iraq in the past year.

The Al Jazeera tape showed a man sitting behind a desk with at least three assailants — two hooded and one off-camera — pointing assault rifles at him. Ake, wearing an open-collared shirt with rolled-up-sleeve sleeves, was sitting or kneeling behind a wood-en desk and holding what appeared to be a photo and a passport.

The station didn't air audio of the video, but said the man asked the U.S. government to begin talks with the Iraqi resistance and save his life. No group claimed responsibility, and there was no way to authenticate the video.

Al Jazeera didn't say how it obtained the tape.

American pleads on video for his life

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — An Indiana man scared and clutching his passport to his chest, was shown at gunpoint on a videotaped interview Wednesday, two days after he was kidnapped by armed gunmen in a watertreatment plant near Baghdad. The station said he pleaded for his life and urged U.S. troops to leave Iraq.

The United States said it would maintain its policy of not negotiating with kidnappers.
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"engine of the economy." "Without business, there is nothing," Malloy said. "The Mendoza College of Business is just that. Without people donating. Business is the only thing that creates in this society. "It's so fundamental. Don't let anyone tell you anything else."

Welch and GE grew extremely quickly during his reign at the top of the company, and a major reason for Welch's success came from his ability to deal with his employees. He did so quantitatively by having his employees graded but never surprised employees with a firing. Welch stressed the need to inform employees about their job performance.

"[Great] CEOs really understand people are what matters," he said. "Every day you evaluate them and try to make them grow. It's insane that people don't know how they're doing. Why do grades stop when we become adults?"

"In the ninth, 10th or 11th grade, we don't have a problem flunking kids out." Interestingly, when asked later in the 75-minute session, Welch said the top executives who seem missing in today's college graduates is their human resources skills.

"What you will always have is relationships," he said. "To how to evaluate, motivate, excite, lay someone off the right. Concerning his advice for up-and-coming business leaders, Welch emphasized the need for young workers to always provide bosses with more than they are expecting.

"If you over-deliver, your career will take care of itself," he said. "If you have a career path [now], you will get nailed."

As for running GE for 20 years and increasing the company's worth from $13 billion to several hundred billion dollars, Welch said he really did not feel like it was work at all. "I never felt like I had a job," he said. "If you get the right job, you never work a day in your life."

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Malloy also said it is much harder to wield character than ever before given today's political climate. "It is important to provide opportunities to those who have contributed responsibilities in you," Malloy said. "To bring out the best in others is not an easy task."

Malloy asked graduating ROTC members to utilize material learned in their respective programs as well as in their overall college experience to develop into intellectual and value-driven constituents of the American military.

The president said the United States armed forces have a "wonderful" tradition of bringing members of the Notre Dame ROTC program into esteemed positions in the Army, Navy and Air Force.

"I am confident that [senior ROTC members] will provide outstanding leadership," Malloy said, emphasizing the value of well-rounded students in top-ranking military positions.

"We are at a time that for the best quality of decision-making and flexible military possible.

Garcia echoed the president's assertion of the useful and advantageous nature of Notre Dame's ROTC program in future endeavors in the armed services.

"There is no better place [than Notre Dame] in which a future officer can learn to become as tactically and ethically excellent as we prepare to enter the military."

Bryan Garcia Navy ROTC cadet

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what would be his last speech at a Notre Dame Press Pass In Review. The president will resign from his post at the conclusion of the semester.

In his speech, Malloy urged ROTC members to "roughly savor the moment of recognition but also remind them of their crucial responsibilities as military figures. Calling the contemporary era a "perilous time in world and American history," Malloy enumerated the weighty tasks entrusted to the United States military. He said natural disaster relief, intervention in the plights of struggling nations and global deterrence of terrorism are among these duties.

While he advised graduating cadets and midshipmen to bring out the best in the military casualties in Afghanistan and Iraq salient as they advance into active duty, Malloy also expressed faith in the senior ROTC members, and praised their capacities as noble leaders.

"It takes a special kind of person to be a leader," Malloy said. The president noted a laudable character and a lucid demonstration of values as fundamental attributes of any effective leader.

"I am confident that [senior ROTC members] will provide outstanding leadership," University president Father Edward Malloy said.

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Muslim. According to CNN.com, though Arizne is considered theologically conservative, he is embraced by Catholic liberals for his support of support of Third World countries.

And as the Church's cardinals prepare to choose a new pope, Arizne's name has been mentioned on the list of possible candidates to succeed Pope John Paul II. If elected pope, Arizne would be the first black pope in 1,513 years. There has been much discussion surrounding the possibility of the next pope being from the Third World, including countries in Central America, Latin America, Asia and Africa.

Pope John Paul II believed in reaching out to the large poor Catholic population, and a pope from a Third World nation would help further these efforts, Cunningham said.

"It would be good to have someone from, say, Africa, for it is the fastest growing Catholic population, or Latin America," Cunningham said. "I think it would be a terrific thing for the Church — after all the Church is a Catholic Church."

Brown said the University finalized the list of business doctorate recipients Wednesday and will release the names early next week.

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The Department of Music has reconfigured its undergraduate degree programs for those declaring a major in Music in Fall 2005. Students will now be able to select an 18-credit concentration in History and Theory or a 36-credit concentration in Performance (Students declaring the major prior to 2005-2006 will be subject to the requirements in effect at the time they declared.)

For those students interested in music history and theory, the department will offer a 33-credit concentration in Music History and Theory, in which students will take classes with internationally recognized scholars. In music history classes, students will explore the development of musical forms, styles and genres from the medieval period through the twentieth century. In music theory courses, students will begin with the fundamentals of music and progress to harmonic and formal analysis of music from the Baroque period through the twentieth century.

For those interested in developing their musical skills to a professional level, the 36-credit concentration in Performance provides the tools to do so. Building on work in the core, students will have the opportunity to study with acclaimed performers in the areas of cello, organ, piano, violin, and voice, among others. They will also enhance their study in performance by participating in vocal and instrumental ensembles.

A 33-credit concentration in Music and Culture is scheduled to be added in Fall 2006. Students will explore the diversity of musical cultures and the way of the world and ethnomusicology in an interdisciplinary sequence of courses.

Students in all three concentrations will establish a solid musical foundation through a curriculum of core courses in history and theory. With the permission of the Department, advanced students who wish to pursue a more intensive course of study may enroll in the Honors Program, in which they will complete an Honors Thesis.

The Department of Music and the Department of Theology co-administer a 15-credit Interdisciplinary Minor in Liturgical Music Ministry, with courses taught by faculty members.

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NEW YORK — Even as Morgan Stanley's stock price gave another vote of confidence to embattled Chief Executive Wiliam Purcell on Wednesday, more high-level executives were publicly expressing concern about the falling stock price and increased shareholder dissent all over — a question, can Purcell last?

"That question will be answered by the market, because shareholder dissent will be key," said Warren Bennis, distinguished professor of business administration at the University of Southern California whose focus is leadership and corporate governance. "But I do think, in the end, his days are more than likely number, something truly seismic happens."

Yet throughout his tenure at Morgan Stanley, and beyond, Purcell has not only survived, but thrived. And there aren't many other options for the investment firm despite the vehe­ment attacks on his leadership by a group of dis­affected shareholders and former executives.

"Nobody's showing up with an alternative. If some­one were to come and buy the company, that would be one thing. But the disaffected don't have any cash on the table, just attacks, and Purcell can ride that out," said Richard Bove, a securities analyst with Punk, Ziegel & Co. "Nothing at the moment suggests he won't keep his job.

Whether Purcell ultimate­ly survives or not, the dis­couraged and seemingly pain­fully disjointed pur­chase list and, among other things, the lack of a clear post-Purcell successor is starting to become more ag­gressive with interest rate hikes. Hints of weaker consumer spending added to the alarm.

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CLEVELAND — Five times a week, Mike Herrmann gets on a bus and boards the subway in Cleveland to get to the public library to peruse shelves holding more than 9.7 million books.

"It's a way for the newly unemployed to escape and make the time between job searching and to have some fun in the process," he said.

If lawmakers approve Gov. Bob Taft's proposed state budget that cuts $22 million to public libraries, critics say library patrons like Herrmann may find locked doors, or outdated materials or smaller staffs. It's a situation public libraries across the nation are facing as local and state budgets remain squeezed by federal cuts, greater expenses in health care and education and less tax revenue.

"I can't imagine any more funding cuts," Herrmann said. "This said as he clutched two checked-out novels under his arm. "The quality of life in Ohio has gone downhill and this will just make it worse ."

Library budget cuts nationwide have totaled $111 million over the past two years, according to the American Library Association. But Americans still recognize that it's a publicly supported institution, and they believe libraries not being there is incomprehensible to me."

Michael J. Massch, secretary of budget and administration in Pennsylvania, said states must turn to their public libraries amid rising public education and social welfare costs.

"That makes it very difficult for us to be able to afford, to maintain and increase our level of funding for other very worthwhile, public goods, like library funding," he said.

Pennsylvania's library funding ballooned from $30 million in 1998-99 to $75 million four years later. Massch said the level could not be sustained during a recession and budget deficits, and library funding dipped to $47 million in 2003-04. Gov. Ed Rendell has recommended $59 million in the coming budget for library programs.

Ohio's public libraries have generally enjoyed a profitable relationship with the state. In 2003, the most recent federal data available, Ohio received the most overall library funding at $56.82 per person, compared with a national average of $30.97.

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Now, Thomas' bandage is smaller, only covering her nose area and part of her mouth. She can cut some soft foods. She is as self-conscious anymore, she drives in the grocery store and is her weekly counseling sessions. Thomas also has started speaking to students and church groups about domestic violence.

"One thing I used to ask God was why did he leave me here. It was obvious he left me here for something. Why would he allow me to speak out on the face to the face, with him face to face?" she said.

"I know why I'm here to help women in domestic violence situations. Maybe by looking at me, they'll be able to see and understand where I'm coming from. If I'd had someone like myself to talk to, it might have made a difference."

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**A Dating Context**

**Domestic abuse victim Carolyn Thomas, right, testified in court Wednesday.**

Woman's facial surgery allows her to speak out on domestic violence.

In February during a nine-hour operation, a team of surgeons reconfigured her right eye socket, removing a concave void. They and the state. In September 2000 when he was sentenced to life in prison for a 1997 cocaine possession charge. But when Kelly wrote her letter telling stories he had changed, Thomas testimony at his sentencing she gave him one more chance.

He had been released on parole less than two months when the shootings happened at Waco's "Nacho" apartment, where Kelly had been staying.

"We cherish our libraries, but thinking of it, it's a matter more valuable than Medicaid for me. I was always left to wonder if permanent funds aren't raised by December, the closing will be for good."
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Lawmakers embrace family connections

Congressional nepotism funded by donations

WASHINGTON — Dozens of lawmakers have hired their spouses and children to work for their campaigns and political groups, paying them with contributions they’ve collected from special interests and other donors.

A few family members earn enough to make a living. Many come cheap. They manage the books, give speeches, raise money and run the daily operations, according to an Associated Press review of records.

Such hirings are legal, but the practice became an issue this month when it was reported that the wife and daughter of House Majority Leader Tom DeLay had been paid more than $500,000 since 2001. They worked for DeLay’s political action and campaign committees.

Congressional bosses express no regrets about their family arrangements.

“My wife raised $250,000 more than she ever raised with all the expensive consultants,” Rep. Ron Lewis, R-Ky., told the AP. Lewis hired his wife, Kayi, to be his campaign director and campaign manager about a year ago, and she earns her $5,000 a year. He estimated the hiring saved him more than $40,000 a year in salary and consulting fees.

Mary Hayworth, wife of Republican Rep. J.D. Hayworth of Arizona, earns $20,000 a year as the director and only employee of his political action committee.

“The minimal salary she’s paid is far less than if you hired somebody in from outside,” spokesman Larry VanHoose said. AP’s review identified roughly four dozen lawmakers who hired family members for their campaign or political groups, from Connecticut Sen. and former presidential candidate Joe Lieberman to a House member’s campaign manager about a year ago.

Jerry Lewis, a 14-term lawmaker from California, serves as his chief of staff at a salary of nearly $111,000. It’s allowed because Willis was Lewis’ top aide when he came to Washington in 1979, before they were married, under House rules, lawmakers cannot hire their spouses.

Lieberman’s presidential campaign paid the senator’s wife, Hadassah, at least $22,000, records show. His son Matthew received about $34,000 and his daughter Rebecca about $36,000.

Sherry Brown, who was the presidential campaign’s chief of staff, said the Lieberman children were paid on par with other staff members during fundraising work. Payments to Hadassah Lieberman were for reimbursement of expenses, Brown said.

Lieberman wasn’t the only one in the presidential race with a relative on the campaign payroll. Vice President Dick Cheney’s daughter Mary was paid about $61,000 by the Bush-Cheney reelection campaign.

Laurie Stupak, wife of Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Mich., said she has earned about $36,000 annually during the past two years as the finance director for her husband’s campaign. She said she was paid slightly more — nearly $3,900 a month for part of last year because she served as both campaign manager and finance director. She also received an election bonus of $2,500 last November.

The money was earned by working more than 40 hours a week and traveling long hours in a sprawling district, she said.

California Republican Rep. Elton Gallegly’s wife, Janice, has run his campaigns since he was a mayor, continuing in that role since he first ran successfully for Congress in 1986.

She did the work for free until last year, when she began taking payment of about $2,600 a month after deciding she’d like more financial independence, Gallegly said in an interview.

“I think that it’s important that she have a little more independence and not feel like she has to depend on me if she needs a couple hundred dollars or if she wants to buy something,” he said.

Other spouses got raises, too. For instance, Rep. Fortney “Pete” Stark’s wife, Deborah, received a monthly increase from $650 to $2,400 as a campaign consultant three years ago — around the time the couple had twins.

At the time, Stark, D-Calif., said his wife filled the roles of campaign manager, offer manager and bookkeeper. “My position is, she’s a bargain,” he said.

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At the heart of the campus of Princeton University — where I once spent a year working on my celebrated improvement of the graduate student — there is a courtyard and at its center there is a sculpture donated by the Class of 1969 in honor of its 25th Reunion. A little taller than a table and cylindrical in shape, it is carved so that its top surface displays a Yin and Yang symbol.

Peter Wicks of 1969 in honor of its

Englishman Abroad

When the number of gatecrashers became overwhelming, Woodstock was declared a “free concert,” and it felt like an act of communal grace. When the same thing happened at the second Woodstock, it was impossible not to recognize this as a mere simulation of spontaneity. When I think of the hippie movement, I always remember a particular moment from the Woodstock film. It is Sunday, and a storm has kicked up. On the main stage, one of the organizers grabs a microphone and tells all the concert-goers to keep on one side of the stage so that if the enormous speaker towers are blown over, no one will be hurt. But maybe, he continues, if everyone wishes for it hard enough, the rain will stop.

We see the view from the stage and there are hippies as far as the eye can see. They all begin to chant in unison. My fascination with the sixties began when I saw this moment, preserved on the concert film. Partly, I liked it because it made me laugh, perfectly revealing in their absolute inadequacy. The politics of Eden, starkly revealed in their absolute inadequacy.

But, less obviously, it was moving to see people who really believed that they could not only turn society upside down but also suspend the laws of nature through the sheer force of their good will.

I envy their extraordinary capacity for belief. I can’t believe what they believed, sometimes I find it hard to believe that they believed it — but they really did. They believed incredible, almost incomprehensible things. But above all, they believed in love.

Name your problem, and love would solve it. Do you think there can be no community without rules? No my friends, the other world is love.

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Our own great society

Our generation, while only beginning to make an impact on the world, has an opportunity to leave a legacy that will impact society long after we are gone. This legacy can be a reformed Social Security system that provides a legacy to our respective generations by reveling in our ideological loyalty. For those of us who choose to partake in fine tobacco, my mind is a small price to pay for the pleasure one finds in a good smoke. Contrary to popular myth, we don’t do it for the nicotine, nor to sate some overpowering addiction. Enjoying a cigar is like a secular sacrament. My thoughts are elevated toward something higher, a peaceful clarity of mind takes over and the burning ash of my smoke, rising like sweet incense, brings me into a contemplative mood. For me as well, a shared cigar is a very real connection I have with my father, and something I find especially valuable as I prepare to leave home in the coming days after graduation. My Thursday night tradition was that I couldn’t smoke in Heaven, he just wouldn’t go. With respect to Mr. Clemens, he feels it’s a mistake. Cigar-friendly or not, there’s no reason to concern himself about forming another Paradisus. It’s simpler than that. As any cigar smoker can tell you, give us a perfect band and we’ll go on a trip, and we’ll call Heaven right down here to earth.

Ours is a very real connection with the Puritans—come-lately of our own great society. The views expressed in this column are those of The Observer. Shawn McCoy, a junior English major, is a contributor to The Observer at University of Notre Dame. Other major works hard too

But, despite your impassions, I do have allies. Many of us have met, ironically, on the bus to class or lunch. On friendly walks around the lakes or quads I’ve discovered compatriots who share my sense of displacement — while also sharing my vice. And to give away my cover, but a dear colleague of mine happens to be a fellow Viewpoint columnist. Like Christians of old, we construct a secret language by which to identify ourselves. “Do you have a ‘cutter’?” one of us might ask. “All this work,” the hopes of hearing a response inspiring “straight or punch?” These words are often addressed to the unintutted, but they identify a sympathetic soul in one who shares his lot. I was taught to be the way I am by my father, who learned from his. We are multi-generational rebels, thumbing our noses at the Puritans—come-lately of our respective generations by reveling in our ideological loyalty. I know the consequences of my decision, and I’ve brutally felt the ramifications of it already at age 22. But like Caesar crossing the Rubicon, I have no more to fear. Don’t cry for me. I know who I am, and I am a cigar smoker.

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Letters to the Editor

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Eric Storan 
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April 13
Holding a career that spans over a quarter of a century, the Emerson String Quartet has gained mass appeal for both its groundbreaking work in chamber music and its recording partnership with Deutsche Grammophon. Under Grammophon’s license, the group has won six Grammy Awards, including honors for “Best Classical Album” and three Grammophon Magazine Awards.

The Emerson String Quartet comes to the Leighton Concert Hall at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center Saturday at 8 p.m.

The Emerson Quartet’s breakthrough on a national scale happened in 1989 through the performance of six Bela Bartok quartets in its Carnegie Hall debut. A recording of these quartets won both the Grammy Award for “Best Classical Album” and the Grammophon Magazine Album for “Record of the Year.” Thus, the Emerson Quartet set a new precedent in each of these award groups by becoming the first chamber music group to receive such honors.

Other high-profile recordings from the Emerson Quartet include a seven-disc boxed set of the complete Beethoven quartets in 1997; a live recording in 2000 of Shostakovich quartets at the Aspen Music Festival, which also won a Grammy; and the Emerson Encores, a compilation of quartets including composers such as Charles Ives, Samuel Barber, Robert Schumann and Anton Dvorak. In 2004, they also engaged in sacred music via Haydn’s Seven Last Words of Christ and Bach’s Art of the Fugue, both of which have been recorded through Grammophon.

Much like previous PAC performers this year — such as the King’s Singers and, of course, the New York Philharmonic — the Emerson Quartet has been committed to the commissioning and performance of numerous new works from such composers as Andre Previn, Ellen Taaffe Zwilich, Ned Rorem and Edgar Meyer.

The quartet is comprised of violinists Eugene Drucker and Philip Setzer, violist Lawrence Dutton and cellist David Finckel. The musicians base themselves in New York City. They take their name from the American Transcendentalist Ralph Waldo Emerson, and bearing in mind their namesake, they perform frequently at benefit concerts for causes including nuclear disarmament, AIDS and children’s diseases. Among their accolades for their humanitarian efforts is a Smithson award from the Smithsonian Institute.

Recent activity for the group includes a four-concert series at Carnegie Hall entitled “A Vision of Mendelssohn,” whichexplored not only works by Mendelssohn but also entwined Bach, Beethoven and Schubert.

The tour stop at Notre Dame adds to a worldwide presence Emerson has exerted throughout its tenure. Besides its frequent presence at Carnegie Hall (and also the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C.) the group has traveled to France, Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Spain and Belgium.

For Saturday’s performance, the Emerson Quartet will perform Mozart’s Quartet in G, K. 387; Shostakovic’s String Quartet No. 2 and Beethoven’s Op. 131.

In addition to Saturday evening’s concert, the Emerson Quartet is also giving a master class for campus musicians at 2 p.m. earlier in the day.

THE EMERSON STRING QUARTET will perform Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall. Tickets for the concert are $35 for adults, $28 for faculty/staff, $26 for seniors and $15 for all students.

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Student singers shine in ‘A Night on Broadway’

Pasquerilla East Musical Company’s fourth annual Musical Revue showcases songs and dance in musical numbers from ‘RENT,’ ‘Chicago,’ ‘Les Miserables,’ ‘Guys and Dolls’ and other favorites

By MARIA SMITH
Senior Staff Writer

Over the past three years, the Pasquerilla East Musical Company’s Musical Revue, entitled “A Night on Broadway,” has been something to look forward to for many students on campus.

The first Musical Revue was held when current seniors were freshmen, and as the students have aged the Revue has also matured. Attendance has increased steadily as the Revue has become a more recognizable part of campus life. The first Revue didn’t even sell out its seats for two nights, but this year, the Company has had to add an extra performance to meet demand.

In the past, the Revue has featured many of the most talented performers on campus and has given students a chance to show off their dancing, singing and acting skills. This year is no different — the Revue showcases much of the talent the campus has to offer.

This year’s Revue, like those of the past three years, is also set up in themed segments, which are introduced with appropriate quotes from various shows. However, this year’s show focuses more on solos and serious performances than the past two years. The change has brought some difficulty, and also a few weaknesses, to this year’s performance.

This year’s show is particularly strong. Sophomore Will McAliffe and sophomore Tim Masterton, who played a lead role in the Company’s performance of “Grand Hotel” earlier this spring, are both impressive singers who will hopefully continue to perform with the Company for the next two years. Seniors Matt Patricoski and Tom Anthony and Saint Mary’s student Megan Welsch perform “Summer in Ohio” from “RENT.” Both actors played lead roles in “Grand Hotel” in February.

Sophomore Andy Lawton and Sophomore Will McAliffe perform “Not For the Life of Me” from “Thoroughly Modern Millie.” Welsch is one of the few Saint Mary’s students performing in the show.

A well-choreographed opening number is performed by the全体 members, none of whom are cast, and the song certainly has some character.

Several performers also have excellent character voices: Freshman Kathleen Sullivan is cute and quirky performing “Summer in Ohio” from “The Last Five Years,” and Freshman Robert DeBruyn’s strong bass is perfect for “C’est Moi” from “Camelot.”

However, a good show needs to balance sentiment with some shtick, and this year’s show just doesn’t have the great shock that its predecessors did.

That doesn’t mean there isn’t any joking around. “We Both Reached For the Gun” from “Chicago,” performed by Joe Garlock, Jacqui Acuna and four other cast members, stands out as the number with the most style. “Is It You, Or Is You Ain’t” from “Five Guys Named Moe” is performed by six guys from the cast, none of whom are named Moe, and the song certainly has some character.

Dance numbers are always a high point of the show. “You Can’t Stop the Beat” from “Hairspray” and “Forget About the Boy” from “Thoroughly Modern Millie,” the major dance numbers from this year’s dance performance, are certainly entertaining. In past years dance was a more prominent part of the show, and a few more of this type of number would help to break up the pace of the performance.

This year’s Musical Revue marks the end of several careers in Notre Dame musical theater. Seniors Ramon Saghafi, Brian Grundy and Matt Curtin, as well as Patricoski and Anthony, have been institutions of the Company for four years. All have not only performed in the shows but also kept them running. Curtin is the director for this year’s Revue. Grundy directed the show during his sophomore year, and Patricoski and Anthony produced the show during their junior year. Their graduation will be a notable loss to the PEMCo. stage.

This show is great because unlike the larger shows, you can be in it and don’t have to commit your life to it. Matt Curtin said: “My goal was to showcase a lot of talent, and that’s what this show does.”

“A Night on Broadway” will be performed Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the LaFayette Ballroom. Tickets cost $5 for students and $10 for general admission and are available at the LaFayette Box Office and at the door.

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By TIM MASTERTON

Tim Masterton, left, and Tom Anthony perform “What You Own” from the hit musical “RENT.” Both actors played lead roles in “Grand Hotel” in February.

By MEGAN WEISCH

Megan Welsch performs “Not For the Life of Me” from “Thoroughly Modern Millie.” Welsch is one of the few Saint Mary’s students performing in the show.
"Arcadia" looks creatively at human nature

FITT production examines the irrational side of human emotions, the pursuit of history and asks whether math and science are really all they're cracked up to be.

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN
Senior Staff Writer

One never knows what might happen. "Arcadia," which opened at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on April 12 and ends on April 23, sets out to winning director Jay Paul Skelton, part of particular weekend. According to award-clues about what happened in 1809 on a ters in 2005 trying to piece together work, including "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead," "The Real Thing" and "Travelves." The intricate plot alternates between the years 1809, 1812 and 2005, with the char-acters in 2005 trying to piece together clue about what happened in 1809 on a particular weekend. According to award-winning director Jay Paul Skelton, part of the fun for the audience is when char-acters mistakenly judge what happened in the 19th century. Topics included in the play range from poetry to architecture to algorithms to literary scandal concerning Lord Byron, with several of these themes merged in unexpected ways.

For instance, there's one scene in which Valentine, a postgraduate mate-matician, is trying to explain iterated algorithms to author and historian Hannah. In doing so, he is actually attempt-ing to say that he is desperately in love with her, and he's try-ing to make her feel close to him by revealing himself in the only way he knows how. "Tom Skoppard is very clever and very funny," Skelton said. "We hope that we have not only portrayed the drama as compellingly as possible, but also humorously." Skelton said much of the error of the present-day characters' assessments of the past stems from their neglecting the random nature of people. As they sort through books, letters and other items they find in the country house's library, cupboards and drawers, they try to put their clues together too systematically.

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Excellence in the Arts, the department of physics, First Year of Studies, School of Architecture and an anonymous benefac-tor.

The themes of "Arcadia" will also be the focus of an academic conference entitled "Arcadia at Notre Dame — Nature, Science, and Art Conference" on April 22 and 23 hosted by the McKenna Center for Continuing Education, sponsored by the College of Arts and Letters, College of Science, Graduate School and the Arts and Letters Science Honors Program.

Arcadia will be shown Thursday through Saturday and Tuesday, April 19 through Saturday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the DeStefano Main Stage Theater. Tickets cost $8 for students, $10 for fac-ulty, staff and seniors and $12 for the general public.

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"Arcadia," written by playwright Tom Stoppard, shows characters in 2005 trying unsuccessfully to piece together the events of a weekend in 1809.

NDTV's 'The Mike Peterson Show' showcases campus talent

By LIZ BYRUM
Scene Writer

Tomorrow night, something will grace the main stage of Washington Hall that has never been seen before at this University - a live sketch comedy show created entirely by Notre Dame students. "The Mike Peterson Show" is in its first season on the school's cable access station and will be presenting its Year-End Spectacular Friday evening at 7 p.m.

NDTV, Notre Dame's television station, was built from the ground up just three years ago. In the beginning, it was a small group of students who worked to air one show every two weeks. Today, the channel has expanded to include two weekly shows, including "The Mike Peterson Show" and a news program. More than 60 students from a variety of schools and majors within Notre Dame run the station.

"The Mike Peterson Show" began when Adam Fairholm, the co-creator and executive producer, had an idea to expand the comedy skits in NDTV's original program into something resembling his own version of a late night talk show. With inspiration from famous shows such as "Saturday Night Live" and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," Fairholm and Peterson formed their plan. They wanted to form a new sort of institution on the campus of Notre Dame, and create a buzz literary island it is known. At the beginning of this semester, six episodes have been created.

Besides Peterson himself, who plays many roles including host, writer, director and editor, 25 other members of NDTV have been hard at work on this one episode alone. This includes a large group of writers, the executive producer, three camera operators, sound and video operators and many others. Peterson had been the comedy producer before the show was created and was consequently chosen to host the newly-created show.

"We have a blast doing it, and I think it really shows through," Peterson said. Guests for the Friday special include Sergeant Tim McCarthly, the famous pun announcer from Notre Dame football games, and Jeff Stephens, the tal-ented rapper who makes his home in Keenan Hall. Peterson also promises a live beat band, much like Conan O'Brien's "Max Weinberg 7."

"The show will consist of sketch comedy, as well as live bits that will go on through-out the course of the show, so you never know what's going to happen," Peterson said when asked about the content of Friday's show.

"The Mike Peterson Show Year-End Spectacular" is a great event to show-case the creative talent of Notre Dame's students. For those students who want to catch up on what's already happened, re-runs of previous episodes can be viewed on NDTV on any television with cable on campus or at the station's website, www.NDTV.net.

"This is something new for ND, something you've probably never seen before," Peterson said. "It's definitely a low risk show. The tickets are free, so you should get more than what you pay for the show."

"The Mike Peterson Show Year-End Spectacular" will begin Friday at 7 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets for the show are available at the LaFortune Box Office.

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Sunday April 24 at 4 pm and 8 pm
$10 general public, $8 faculty/staff, $6 seniors, $3 all students

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ARCADIA

by Tom Stoppard

Tuesday April 12 through Saturday April 23
(see website for time details)
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MUSIC

ND COLLEGIUM MUSICUM

Thursday April 14 at 8 pm
Free and open to the public; tickets required

ND PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Wednesday April 20 at 7:30 pm
Free and open to the public; tickets required

NOTRE DAME SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Friday April 22 at 8 pm
Ticket: $6, $5 faculty/staff, $3 all students

ND UNIVERSITY BAND AND BRASS ENSEMBLE

Sunday April 24 at 3 pm
Free and open to the public; tickets required

THE NOTRE DAME JAZZ BANDS

Sunday April 24 at 7:30 pm
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ND SYMPHONIC BAND AND SYMPHONIC WINDS

Monday April 25 at 7:30 pm
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DANCE

AN EVENING WITH JEAN BUTLER

An Illustrated Talk on Irish Dance
Thursday April 14 at 8 pm
Tickets: $5

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Presented by Southold Dance Theater
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Friday April 29 at 7:30 pm
Saturday April 30 at 2 and 7:30 pm

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An Evening of Fun and Heart Education
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CONGRATULATIONS TO SENIOR
LIZETT MARTINEZ

Lizett bought a ticket to see Ladysmith Black-Mambazo, mentioned our ad, and won an iPod Mini. (And the show was awesome, too.)
By ANNE BRUSKY and CHRIS KHOREY

In a close, hard fought battle, five of Shawn Kemp's 42 Illegitimate Children took advantage of the Cage Fighters 15 and knocked Fruit of the Loom out of the tournament action in Bookstore Basketball action Wednesday night. The French Connection knocked off Fruit of the Loom, 21-16, to advance.

The French Connection battles underwear-clad Fruit of the Loom in Bookstore Basketball action Wednesday night. The French Connection knocked off Fruit of the Loom, 21-16, to advance.

"That's how we win, nasty," said Captain and point guard Andrew White. "We were able to achieve the upset because we had an inside-out offense." Illegitimate Children went into halftime with an 11-6 lead, but, nevertheless, victorious. They came out strong in their underw ear-inspired costumes, The French Connection said. "We started blocking a lot of shots. [Andrew] White is a huge player, and we had a back court, and Fruit of the Loom was invited." "We started taking stupid shots and turning the ball over," Fruit of the Loom's point guard Matt "Frodo" Haggerty said. "They were shooting to the basket, just slashing. We couldn't stop it."

With a halftime score of 11-6, The French Connection continued to use their quickness and the experienced brother tandem of Ty and Beau Martin to prevent Fruit of the Loom from moving within five points. Working through the distractions their opponents provided, the underdogs were over with their shorts. The French Connection repeatedly scored off of offensive rebounds and played tough defense, preventing Fruit of the Loom from getting many decent shots off. "We're looking good," Crowe said. "We were the first 28 seed to win it all. I don't think Shawn's boys expected French Connectors like us on this campus yet."

Illegitimate Children took advantage of the Cage Fighters 15's zone defense and made some key steals. With Oli Idigo planting himself at the free throw line and the other four making shots from outside, Illegitimate Children were able to achieve the upset and send the ranked team home early. "Eric Shady led the way with 12 points for us," Crowe said.

The French Connection came out strong, with captain Rich Loesing's behind-the-back pass to Eric Kimbuende winning the game. "We fought hard," Loesing said. "We've been tough and talented, but we handled them."

The French Connection 21 Fruit of the Loom 12 The French Connection came out strong in their underw ear-inspired costumes, The French Connection proved to be too much to handle down low and won the game. "We were able to achieve an early lead and win with a big effort. We're going to have to pick up the intensity and hopefully we'll do well," said Beau Martin of The French Connection. "We started blocking a lot of shots. [Andrew] White is a huge player, and we had a back court, and Fruit of the Loom was invited."

"We might have lost the game, but we will continue to celebrate the four pillars of Gunthorpe," Dave Harden said.

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### Around the Dial

#### MLB

**Grounds crew members paint the Washington Nationals logo behind home plate at RFK Stadium, getting the field ready for Thursday night’s home opener, the first Major League baseball opening day in Washington in 33 years.**

#### In Brief

**Super Bowl Champion Patriots visit White House**

WASHINGTON — President Bush welcomed the New England Patriots to the White House on Wednesday, a ceremony that has become a tradition now that the team has won the Super Bowl during three of Bush’s four years in office.

"You know, the commentators would say, ‘Well, they’re just the flashiest bunch, they’re not the fanciest bunch,’ the president said during a ceremony in the Rose Garden. ‘They just happen to be the best team. They’re the team that showed that when you play together, when you serve something greater than yourself, you win.’"

About 30 players attended, including quarterback Tom Brady and linebacker Tedy Bruschi, who is recovering from a stroke suffered just after he played in the Pro Bowl in February. Bush saluted Bruschi, saying, "I congratulate you on showing such incredible courage on the field and off the field. There’s a lot of people that were praying for you. I know."**

**Davenport advances in Family Circle Cup**

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Top-ranked Lindsay Davenport needed just 55 minutes to advance to the third round of the Family Circle Cup, beating Canadian Marie-Eve Pelletier 6-2, 6-2 on Wednesday.

Davenport is trying to win the Family Circle Cup for the first time. Her best finish in the clay-court tournament came two years ago when she lost to Serena Williams in the semifinals.

"This is a happy day for everybody’s looking forward to the third round major league game since Sept. 30, 1971. It’s a very sentimental thing for me," Kahn said. "It was just a matter of time before baseball returned."

The night caps a series of celebrations marking that return; the first spring training game, an April 3 exhibition game and dress rehearsal at RFK, and the April 4 opening day game at Philadelphia. If this is the last party, it’s also the biggest, with President Bush shied to throw out the ceremonial first pitch and more than two hours of progeme festivities fea­r­aturing appearances by 10 former Senators.

"Everybody’s looking forward to it," pitcher Zach Day said. "We know it’s going to be a long day, but everybody’s excited for the day to come."

Washingtonians have piled for a ballpark to call their own ever since the Senators left for Texas 34 years ago. That was the last time any major league team switched cities.

This time, Baltimore baseball fans are the beneficiaries of dwindling local support for the Montreal Expos, who were given a new town, a new nickname and new uniforms, but the roster is mostly unchanged, and the Nationals’ only real house­­hold name belongs to someone who won’t use a bat or glove Thursday.

Still, the Nationals are tied for first in the NL East after beating the Atlanta Braves 11-4 Wednesday to improve to 5-4, all on the road.

"This is a happy day for Washington and a very sad day for Canada and Montreal. Montreal was given every chance, and it’s about time Washington got its chance," Kahn, 78, said in a telephone interview.

**Italian officials prepare to deal with soccer violence**

ROME — Premier Silvio Berlusconi said Wednesday that "drastic measures" may be needed to stem the rise of violence in Italian soccer stadiums, a day after a fan hit a goalkeeper with a flare in a European Champions League quarterfinal.

Berlusconi’s European governing body said it will decide Friday on what punishment to impose on Internazionale of Milan. AC Milan goalkeeper Dida was hit on a shoulder Tuesday night, and the referee abandoned the game after Inter fans threw more flares onto the field at San Siro stadium.

Milan police chief Paolo Scarpati said four Inter fans were arrested in relation to Tuesday night’s trouble. He said others were being identified and more arrests were likely.

Last weekend, scores of fans were arrested and 89 police officers injured in fighting at stadiums across the country.
**SMC SOFTBALL**

Belles set to battle the Dutch

Saint Mary's hopes to break 13-game losing streak today

By TOM STILES  
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's (15-16) will look to stop the bleeding tonight when Hope College (16-6) comes to Saint Mary's softball Diamond for a doubleheader beginning at 3:30 p.m. The Belles are in dire need of a win to snap their current 13-game skid and end the season on a positive note.

Hope College comes in with a conference record of 6-2, which is good for third place in the MIAA.

Unfortunately for the Belles, Hope College has been playing very well of late. This is evidenced by its two impressive shutout victories over Adrian College Tuesday, with scores of 2-0 and 8-0, respectively.

Hope College also boasts both the offensive and defensive players of the week in freshman right fielder Regnerus just finished off Week Four of MIAA play by winning Player of the Week honors. Senior pitcher Becky Whitman.

Regnerus just finished off Week Four of MIAA play by batting .538 with three RBIs and a stolen base, helping her team to four victories. Whitman outpitched the Belles to go along with her four earned runs while striking out 13 batters.

The Belles find themselves dead last in the MIAA standings with a .544 (karate). In the midst of this slump, some confidence could be Saint Mary's greatest weapon.

**OLYMPICS**

**Hamm named top amateur athlete**

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Gymnast Paul Hamm finally won an easy one.

No spectacular comeback was necessary. No court battles are foreseen. Olympic gold medalist Hamm received the 75th Sullivan Award as the nation's top amateur athlete.

"Oh, this is such a huge honor," he said before turning to congratulate the other seven finalists in attendance Wednesday night. "It's just great to be one of the Sullivan Award winners.

Hamm beat out previous winner Michael Phelps as well as Olympians Carly Patterson, Natalie Coughlin, Cael Sanderson, Andre Ward, Jeremy Wariner and Steven Lopez for the award, which Phelps won last year before going on to claim six gold medals and two bronzes at the Athens Olympics — matching the record for most medals at a single games.

Southern Cal quarterback Matt Leinart also was a finalist, along with Athens who hasn't lost a game since the age of 14, he brought the room to laughter.

"As you guys heard, I haven't lost since I was 14 years old, so if I don't win this, it's going to be pretty hard to swallow," he said.

Voting on the USA Today Web site helped determine this year's winner. More than 500,000 people voted online.

The award is named after Amateur Athletic Union founder James E. Sullivan, and has been presented annually since 1930.

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Weather poses problems

By THOMAS BARR

Rain, rain, go away.

Entering today's contest against the University of Illinois Chicago (29-19) on the heels of yet another cancellation due to inclement weather, the Irish are just hoping to get this one in.

Thus far this season, 12 regular-season games and the seed play of a tournament have been postponed or canceled due to unplayable weather conditions.

"We have faced a lot of adversity from the weather this season," coach Deanna Gumpf said. "It could affect weather conditions, games and the season, 12 regular-season games and the seed play of a tournament."
Jordan the NBA. NCAA final, Williams said he James McCants and Brenda college degree. But he said he would you.' "And say, 'Hey, I stayed get up there and talk to him, "something to say to Mike when I come back and at least have seem a stretch, but McCants — a Jordan when he was a kid and singles match on court. McCants — after the Irish sophomore late in the match. After taking an injury timeout, King returned to the No. 2 singles match but lost 7-5, 7-5 to Ohio State's Devin Mullings. "I felt we played a very courageous match," Irish coachobby Bayliss said. "But today was a day where it was kind of within our grasp, and we weren't quite able to take the match. Barry played one of his better matches of the year. I thought the No. 2 match was the highest level of all the matches, and Barry played very well but just didn't quite win." D'Amico has been coping with a nagging hamstring injury since the beginning of the month, an injury that kept him out of singles play against Southern Methodist. But the senior was able to play in the team's last match against Ball State, a 6-1 team victory. Unfortunately, D'Amico's leg once again caused him trouble during doubles play. "We thought [Brent] was going to be okay, but as doubles went on, his leg tightened up and he wasn't able to play singles, which is unfortunate," Bayliss said. "But life goes on, and you've got to play with the hand you're dealt." The reshuffled doubles teams the Irish have been sporting for the past few weeks played well against the formidable Buckeye competition. D'Amico and junior Eric Langenkamp lost 8-2 to the Ohio State duo of Scott Green and Ross Wilson, the No. 1 doubles team in the nation. Notre Dame also had chances in the other two doubles matches but dropped both in close contests. Sophomores Ryan Koeckley and King lost a close 9-7 decision to Ohio State's Chris Klingemann and Mullings. Sophomore Stephen Bass and freshman Sheeva Parbhoo were playing a close 8-7 contest against Joey Atas and Drew Eberly before the match was abandoned to finish before darkness set in on the outdoors court. 'We're somewhat pleased with the new doubles pairings," Bayliss said. "Ohio State's very good in doubles, and we knew that. We lost No. 1 doubles badly, but again Brent wasn't 100 percent. We were up 7-2 at No. 2, and lost 9-7. We really let that match get away. We were up two breaks and just didn't pull the trigger when it was there.' Contact Rama Gottumukkala at rgottusm@nd.edu

NCAA BASKETBALL

McCants emulates Jordan

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — For Rashad McCants, it's all about being like Mike.

He pretended to be Michael Jordan when he was a kid and took the reverse of Jordan's retired No. 23 when he arrived at North Carolina. After his sophomore season, McCants decided to come back to school for one more year, hoping to win a national championship — like Jordan.

Now, having helped the Tar Heels win their fourth title, McCants will follow.

A comparison to Jordan might seem a stretch, but McCants — a third team all-ACC selection this season — certainly didn't shy away from it as he formally announced his decision to enter the NBA draft.

Last year, "I figured I've got to come back and at least have something to say to Mike when I get up there and talk to him," McCants said at a news conference. "And say, 'Hey, I stayed three years just like you, and we won a championship just like you.'"

McCants, whose 16-point average was second among Tar Heels, said he is hiring an agent, a move that would prevent him from returning for his senior season. But he said he would continue working toward his college degree.

McCants was joined by coach Roy Williams and his parents, James McCants and Freda McCants, and freshman Sheeva Parbhoo, his roommate in the dorm, for the news conference, making official a decision to enter the NBA draft.

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felt he's accomplished that. Thomas said he was glad the crowd at the banquet was smaller than last year's because he believed that was the true Notre Dame community.

When it came down to the emotions for Thomas, they weren't there.

"I'm really not emotional tonight," Thomas said.

"I'm kind of happy. You appreciate the time and can part on good terms."

And when Thomas got to the end of his speech, he passed on the torch of the premiere senior guard to the graduating seniors and started setting his sights on the future at the end of the banquet.

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"This was something to build on. The returning group learned a lot from this year."

Notes:

A decision on Dennis Latimore's returning for next season will be announced early next week, possibly Monday.

Latimore was the recipient of the Rockne Student Athlete Award at the banquet Wednesday night. The senior, who transferred from Arizona prior to the 2003-04 season, is a double major in English and political science.

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Baseball

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Two CMU base runners taking their leads in scoring position, pinch runner Teague Samardzija ready to back him in at the end of his speech.

"I'm going to really miss this Joyce Center, no matter how crappy it is," he said.

Walk-on senior Greg Boyle also gave a speech, speaking prior to Thomas and Cornette.

After a season that ended with a disappointing first-round loss in the NIT to Holy Cross, Mike Brey said goodbye to the graduating seniors and started setting his sights on the future at the end of the banquet.

"We certainly didn't finish the way we wanted, but this group had its moments," Brey said.

"It was frustrating tonight. It just didn't seem like we could get the big hit, and they did. At the end there, they started getting some clutch hits that hurt us.

Third baseman Brett Lilley recorded three hits and two RBIs, and catcher Matt Bransfield added two hits to pare the Irish offense.

The Irish are now 3-2 on the season against Mid-American Conference opponents. Notre Dame suffered its fourth non-conference midweek loss of the season, a major setback in any hopes of continuing the 16-year streak of 40-win seasons and qualifying for the NCAA tournament for the seventh straight season.

"I've resolved to the fact that we're going to have to win the conference tournament to get into the NCAA tournament. I'm certain of that," Mainieri said.

"We've just had too many midweek losses that are going to hurt us if it comes down to a selection committee decision.

"It's our own fault. We just did it.

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eight-match winning streak, Northwestern's strength lies in doubles — just like Notre Dame.
The doubles matches at each position will be nothing short of fierce. The No. 4 duo of sophomores Catrina and Christian Thompson will challenge No. 1 Audra Cohen and Christelle Grier at the No. 1 position, while junior Lauren Connelly and Brook Back will face No. 36 Alexis Prousis and Kriti Bome.

"Northwestern" looks like they're going to be tough, but we're looking forward to the challenge," Louderback said.

"This will be a good weekend to help us get ready for the Big East because we're still fighting for the No. 1 or 2 seed at regionals for the NCAAs."

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best you possibly can so you can exceed all expectations of everyone else and win a national championship. That's more or less the goal every time you go out there."

Quinn has had his share of ups and downs since taking over the starting role against Purdue in 2003. He threw for 1,831 yards, nine touchdowns and 15 interceptions in his freshman season.

Last season, his numbers improved as the 6-foot-4, 228-pounder tossed 17 touchdowns and 15 interceptions in his freshman season. Last season, his numbers improved as the 6-foot-4, 228-pounder tossed 17 touchdowns and 15 interceptions in his freshman season.

As spring football winds down and the 2005 season looms, the pressure is greater than ever on Quinn as he tries to lead the Irish back to college football's elite.

But he is thankful for the presence of former Notre Dame quarterback Ron Powlus, who is filling in for quarterback coach David Cutcliffe while Cutcliffe recovers from heart surgery in Mississippi.

"One thing I've been able to do over the last couple of weeks is talk to [Powlus] about his past experiences," Quinn said.

"He's been a great resource and someone to talk to. He always tries to get you to move on to the next play. Don't worry about the last play, whether it was good or bad, you can't worry about that."

The lack of another veteran quarterback has given Quinn a lot of one-on-one time with Irish head coach Charlie Weis. Weis' ability to design powerful offenses coupled with the fact that starters return at every offensive position for Notre Dame gives Quinn confidence as he faces the pressures of next season.

"I feel extremely comfortable out there," Quinn said.

"When you have an offense with a lot of guys coming back, you feel comfortable with the guys up front, with your receivers [and with] what you can expect from them running their pass routes."

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Injury sidelines Abiamiri

By ERIC RETTER
Sports Writer

Sophomore defensive end Victor Abiamiri will miss the remainder of spring practice. Abiamiri suffered a leg injury after being kicked in the shin during Tuesday's practice. Initially, team officials were concerned about the long term consequences of his injury, but those fears were dispelled after a doctor saw Abiamiri on Wednesday.

"At first, we thought there was a bone that was displaced and cracked, but fortunately that wasn't the case," Irish coach Charlie Weis said.

"If it was a bone that was broken, he would be out six months."

The injury is not expected to slow Abiamiri down by the time next season begins. "He couldn't play this week or next week if we were playing," Weis said. "He would have been out a few weeks, but by the time we come back, he'll be set and ready to go," Weis said.

Impressive speed

Junior walk-on wide receiver Brandon Harris has impressed the coaching staff all spring with his speed. Harris recently started working at cornerback in practice.

Weis is optimistic Harris may prove to be a valuable asset for the team.

"I don't know if he's going to be a wide receiver or if he's going to be a DB, but when a kid runs as fast as he runs, you want to at least give him a chance to compete," Weis said.

"He's been a great resource and someone to talk to. He always tries to get you to move on to the next play. Don't worry about the last play, whether it was good or bad, you can't worry about that."

The shift, Weis hopes, may indicate where Harris will best be able to succeed.

"You have to see where he's going to be on your depth chart as a receiver," Weis said.

"If he's not going to be in your two-deep and multiple-receiver sets, then maybe he can be in your two-deep as a defensive back."

"We're looking to find niches for people so we know 'what are we going to do with them,' so when you go out there and play games, you can kind of try to figure out who the best guys are and get them all out there."

Patriotic celebration

The New England Patriots were at the White House again on Wednesday to celebrate their NFL championship with President George W. Bush.

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The Hammes Bookstore will begin selling bracelets April 23 as coach Charlie Weis' Hannah and Friends organization and Forever Collectibles team up to benefit the Logan Center.

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FOOTBALL

Under center-piece
Responsibility as top QB motivates Quinn during spring season

By MIKE GILLOON  
Sports Editor

All Brady Quinn needs for motivation to improve this spring is a pocket football schedule.

"You have to prepare yourself for the Tennessee U S C s, Michigan States ... all those tough teams," the Irish quarterback said about his mind set going into the upcoming season. "You have a battle week in and week out."

Barring injury, the junior will navigate the Irish for the third consecutive year. Quinn is the only Notre Dame quarterback on the roster with any considerable experience and the clear starter ahead of David Wolke, Travis Bragg and Marty Mooney.

Scholarship recruit Evan Sharphey and walk-on Dan Gorski will join the team in the fall, but neither is expected to challenge for anything more than the backup role.

Despite the lack of competition at his position, Quinn is not worried about complacency.

"Your motivation never is necessarily the person behind you, because you're only going to be doing enough to beat them," Quinn said.

"You need to be playing the

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn identifies the defense's coverage against Washington on Sept. 25, 2004.

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BASEBALL

Win streak snapped in 10-4 defeat

By TOM DORWART  
Sports Writer

Central Michigan did something Wednesday night at Frank Eck Stadium that no other non-conference team has ever been able to do in that stadium in consecutive years.

The Chippewas (19-12) defeated the Irish 10-4, snapping Notre Dame's three-game winning streak and starting one their own. The Chippewas also won last year's contest, 4-1.

If that seems strange, the ninth inning itself was even stranger. The Irish had closed the gap to 7-3 by the top of the ninth. With

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Notre Dame stays poised under pressure, outlasts Illinois

By DAN TAPETILLO AND ANN LOUGHERY  
Sports Writers

For the third consecutive match, No. 26 Notre Dame (12-8) pulled out a 4-3 victory.

It took a third set match from junior Lauren Connelly for the Irish to pull beat No. 54 Illinois (10-8) at the Atkins Tennis Center. Illinois' season has been punctuated with both success and failure.

Last weekend, the Illini notched a win against Michigan State 5-2 but fell to No. 38 Michigan, 4-3, in a tight match. Like Notre Dame, Illinois is a team that has struggled to convert close match-ups into victories as they logged their seventh 4-3 decision against Michigan last weekend.

"Illinois has struggled some this year," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "But they're especially tough at home."

Especially heartening, both victories were decided in the final matches of the meet. The Irish have struggled to remain poised under pressure in the past, as they have won just one of last 4-3 matches over the last two seasons (0-5 this spring).

"I was really proud of how all of our kids played," Louderback said. "But (junior Kiki Stastny) really came through for us. She really played tough against a girl at the Indiana match who didn't make any errors and hit big. But Kiki started coming to the net more and really finished her off."

Louderback said he is looking forward to seeing how improved performances all the way down the lineup against Northwestern.

Northwestern looks to be just as — if not more — challenging than Illinois. Thriving on an

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish fall short in 4-3 loss

Team drops match to Ohio State in its last meet before Big East

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA  
Sports Writer

For the second time in the last three matches, injuries plagued the Notre Dame tennis squad and forced the team to change its game plan. While its last attempt to recover from an injury-ridden contest ended in a lopsided 5-2 defeat to Southern Methodist, the No. 29

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Thomas recalls career with fondness at dinner

By MATT LOZAR  
Senior Staff Writer

It took awhile, but Chris Thomas finally closed the book on his Notre Dame career.

At Wednesday night's men's basketball banquet held at the Joyce Center, Thomas was the final senior to reach the podium and said just about everything that was on his mind.

From impersonating the walk of assistant coach Lewis Preston and saying Preston has a "hip hop" to revealing Harold Swanagan would be his girlfriend if anyone asked because of the kisses Swanagan gives him, to mentioning his five credit hours allowed him to go out and could be why his "shooting percentage was down," Thomas leaned on the podium in front of the three framed gold jerseys of the seniors and just kept going.

The senior from Indianapolis did have some serious moments. He mentioned how he came to Notre Dame to take this program to a new height and

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