Notre Dame prays for conclave, guidance

By JULIE BENDER
Senior Staff Writer

Blark smoke unfurled from the roof of the Sistine Chapel Monday, signaling to the crowds gathered in St. Peter's Square in Rome that deliberation about the next pope will continue beyond the first day's vote. As the 113 cardinals isolated themselves in the conclaves for more prayer and silent voting, over an ocean away, the Notre Dame community joined them in prayer.

Students and other members of the Notre Dame community gathered in the Basilica yesterday for a Mass led by Father Peter Rocca to celebrate the opening of the conclave and to pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit for the deciding cardinals.

"The conclave to elect the next pope which began yesterday is no doubt the most important moment in the life of the Church," Father Rocca said. "So we are praying that the Holy Spirit will help us decide who the next pope will be."

Father Rocca, center, led Mass Monday at Sacred Heart Basilica. The Mass, which drew students, faculty and members of the South Bend community, celebrated the opening of the papal conclave.

Ken Jennings defies trivia, generates laughs

By EILEEN DUFFY
Assistant News Editor

This "Jeopardy!" champion visited Notre Dame Monday night, packed DeBartolo 101 with 500 people and sparked laughter and raucous cheering among the crowd throughout his speech.

Who is Ken Jennings?

The Utah software engineer who earned $2,522,700 during a 74-episode, five-month run on the popular game show entertained students with a talk on the value of trivia and a simulated quiz game as part of the Student Union Board's AItotal Week.

As Jennings descended the stairs of the classroom, he was greeted with cries of "Yeah, Ken Jennings!" He chuckled and shook his head when he reached the podium.

"It's like Charlie Brown ... it's always Ken Jennings, first and last name," he said. He went on to say that he would be speaking "in defense of trivia," something he said he didn't realize he needed a defense until his first day taping "Jeopardy!"

"You cannot say the t-word on the "Jeopardy!" set," Jennings said gravely, explaining that to Jeopardy! contestants, nothing on their show is trivial.

The word trivia comes from the Latin trivium, Jennings said, meaning three roads. In history, it was used to describe the three central courses that made up the ancient curriculum; however, it was also used to describe a crossroads, or a vulgar, common place. Thus, trivia has come to mean something basic or literal, commonplace.

"I think trivia gets a bad rap," Jennings said. "I know it's easy for me to say that, what with the

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Ken Jennings speaks to Notre Dame students Monday night, mocking host Alex Trebek in the process.

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Facult("y receive national honors

By LISA SCHUETZ
News Writer

It may seem strange that a reward for teachers producing outstanding work is the opportunity to take a break from teaching. However, fellowship awards enable Notre Dame professors Asma Afsaruddin, Ke-Hai Yuan and Theresa Delgadillo to do just that.

A Carnegie Scholars Fellowship of $100,000 from the Carnegie Corporation of New York will allow Afsaruddin, associate professor of Arabic and Islamic studies in the classics department and fellow in the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, to conduct 18 months of research. She plans to spend the 2006-07 school year writing the manuscript for her book "Striving in the Path of God: Discursive Traditions on Jihad and the Cult of Martyrdom."

"By putting my research out in the public sphere, I hope to further empower those voices which have protested the annexation of the term 'jihad' by radical militants and denounced it as a gross departure from the classical tradition," Afsaruddin said.

Delgadillo, who is an assistant professor of English with a specialization in Latino literary and cultural studies, entered into a national competition to win the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Award.

Administered by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (WWNFF), the award honored Delgadillo for assisting "talented junior faculty to pursue scholarly research and writing over a year's time so they can attain tenure more easily."

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**Inside Column**

The mystique of the Gate

The University of Notre Dame. Prestigious in every sense of the word, face of American Catholicism the world over, bastion for athletic talent (what post-Lou Holtz years?). Yet sometimes I wonder if I’m surrounded by a campus crazier than the locker room of the Portland Trail Blazers.

The gate on the road to Turtle Creek. You all know it, and some of you love it. Almost as much as the University loves its attractive fluorescent orange and yellow patterns as well, it appears so often it seems the University just die without its presence.

Honest, some sort of University department needs to start keeping statistics on how many times this gate is torn down. These are the kinds of things the student body craves to know — forgot which fence sticker which with a dull stick at Northeast Southern Springfield State.

Sometimes I wonder if there is a room in the bowls of some campus building with an inconspicuous sign on the door that reads “TC Gate Room.” And every Saturday morning, a hapless NDF officer must trudge down a twisting set of stairs to reveal a treasure chest of orange and gold gate huddled in Hesburgh cubicles. I will drag an already depleted ND fun Index farther into the cellar.

But despite my recommendation to add some primal instinct to its SWAT team. And to do that, it’s looking to a monkey.

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Motorist injured by flying frozen sausage

LONDON — A British motorist, driving home from work with his car window wound down, had his nose broken by a flying frozen sausage, an official said Monday.

The 46-year-old man was driving near his home in South Woodham Ferrers, Essex, east of London, when the sausage came through the window and hit him on the nose, a spokesman for the Essex Ambulance Service said on condition of anonymity.

"The man said he was making his way home after work and had the window down because it was such a nice afternoon," the ambulance spokesman said. "He said he saw a car coming the other way and felt a searing pain in his nose."

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

**Question of the Day:** Who do you think the next pope should be and why?

**Aaron Thomas**

Senior off-campus

"Charlie Weis, because he’s Notre Dame’s savior."

**Tim Rohman**

Freshman Stanford

"Juan Pablo Garcia, because of the name."

**Anna Parsley**

Freshman Farley

"Monk, because he’s out of a job."

**Molly Sullivan**

Freshman Farley

"Kim, so she can put in a word for me with the big guy."

**Kim Crehan**

Freshman Farley

"Molly, because she told me I had to."

**OFFBEAT**

Arizona police department considers training monkey

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**BRIEF**

The conference "The Exorcist: Emmanuel Levinas between Jews and Christians" will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. today in McKenna Hall. The event is sponsored by the College of Arts and Letters Program for Religion and Literature.

ND Percussion Ensemble will give a free concert Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Leighton Concert Hall in the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts.

The Invention Convention, a student-led competition, will take place Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Giovanni Commins in the Mendoza College of Business. The competition will be judged by the Entrepreneurship Club of Notre Dame.

The women’s softball team will play a doubleheader Thursday against Akron at Ivy Field beginning at 3 p.m.

The men’s baseball team will face Valparaiso at Eck Stadium at 6:05 p.m. Thursday.

Farley Hall Players will present "You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown" Thursday to Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall. Tickets may be purchased at the LaFortune box office or the door.

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

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**Corrections**

The Observer regrets itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.
Members discuss spring events

By COLLEEN KIELTY
News Writer

The 2005-2006 Saint Mary’s College Board of Governance (BOG) met Monday to discuss the events planned for the remainder of the school year and to begin planning events for the Saint Mary’s community next year.

Student body president Kelly Mitros thanked the Board for its help with Spring Day on Campus Sunday. Admissions commissioner Annie Davis said Spring Day was a success, noting the College had received a lot of positive feedback on the tours and from visiting students and parents.

Mitros also informed the Board that Saint Mary’s College will host its second Down the Avenue Fundraiser this Wednesday. This event will benefit the Office for Civic and Social Engagement and will honor Kathy Malone Beeler, Class of 1969, and Ginger Francis, Class of 2006, for their dedication to service.

Thursday, the College will be hosting SMC Tostal, an all-day event planned to coincide with the much-anticipated dedication of the new Student Center.

The Student Center will be having an open house, and tours of the new facilities will be available from 1 to 5 p.m. The Saint Mary’s Board of Trustees will be on campus for the event, and there will be a mass at 4:15 p.m. in the Regina Chapel.

The Blessing of the Student Center, Noble Family Dining Hall and Alumnae Green will take place at 5:15 p.m. After the comedian, movies, games and the picnic planned for the day, the festivities will conclude with a fireworks show that evening.

President of the Student Diversity Board (SDB) Amanda Shropshires reminded the Board that SDB will be hosting speaker Maura Weis Friday in the Student Center at 5:30 p.m.

Maura Weis, wife of incoming Notre Dame football coach Charlie Weis, will give a talk on autism. Their daughter, Hannah Weis, is globally developmentally delayed.

Sophomore class president Heldi Gorgipinger announced her board has already begun to meet and to work on distributing a survey to determine their classes’ interest for events next year. The Class of 2007 is also co-sponsoring Battle of the Bands Friday at 6 p.m. at Legends.

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Professor named first successor to position

By LAURA BAUMGARTNER
News Writer

Humanistic studies professor Gail Mandell made Saint Mary’s history Monday after being named the second Bruno P. Schlesinger Chair in Humanistic Studies during her inauguration lecture “Belize Revisited: Readings from a Work-in-Progress.”

Mandell is the College’s first successor in an endowed chair. Vice President and dean of faculty Patrick White commented on the importance of the occasion, noting the progression from having no endowed chairs 21 years ago to now naming a successor.

“Endowed chairs are in some way a sign of the strength of the College because this is money that has been set aside to support these members of faculty and their teaching and research,” he said.

Although the inaugural lecture honored Mandell, much of the focus was on recognizing and thanking the College’s first endowed chair, professor emeritus Bruno Schlesinger, who retired in December after 60 years of teaching at Saint Mary’s.

Schlesinger was unable to attend the lecture due to illness, but he requested that associate professor and department chair Phil Hecks write a statement he prepared.

“I offer Gail warm congratulations for this honor so richly deserved,” Schlesinger said in the statement.

Schlesinger also offered some advice to Mandell in his statement.

“When I received the endowed chair in 1988, Dr. Wickey asked if I would like a dinner in recognition,” he said, “but I replied I would prefer a reserved parking spot in the Madonna lot to protect me from the South Bend winters.”

Schlesinger went on to say that he hoped Mandell would demand the same perks with her appointment.

White and Saint Mary’s President Carol Ann Mooney selected Mandell as the next Bruno P. Schlesinger endowed chair based on recommendations from faculty in the humanistic studies department as well as advice from other endowed chairs.

Mandell began the lecture by expressing her gratitude and admiration of Schlesinger.

“He knew it was the job for me, even before I did,” she said, recalling how Schlesinger recruited her in 1978 to be the second professor in the humanistic studies department.

Some of the work that Mandell has done over the years was showcased at the lecture, where she read selections from a book she is currently writing about experiences she had teaching for the Peace Corps in Belize during the 1960s and from her recent return trip.

Schlesinger created the department in 1956 as the Christian culture program, and it was eventually developed into humanistic studies.

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whole two and a half million [dollars] thing. Still, I think there are reasons why this stuff is cool.

He described a recent encounter with A.J. Jacobs, who wrote the book "The Know-It-All." Jennings laughed along with the crowd.

"Seriously, though, why does he love facts like this?" Jennings then asked. "The same reason I do one. One of those people who can't help but turn a humdrum life into a very exciting one."

"I'm just always curious to know stuff," he said. "Not everything I learned came from a classroom. In fact, I don't think most things I learned came from a classroom."

"People are worried about the Information Age, but for some people like me, who loves learning, it's a more "into it," he said, than any other place he's been to thus far.

"They get famous for this short amount of time and for this kind of school type of knowledge," Jennings said. "I figured, why not take advantage of it?"

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Delgadillo is working on a book entitled "Spiritual Mestizaje: Religion, Race, Gender and (Trans)Nation in Contemporary Chicana Narrative."

According to Delgadillo, this work "examines transnational feminism and memory in the spiritual mestizaje of Chicana fiction, documentary film and digital media."

Associate professor of quantitative psychology Yuan was awarded a $32,000 fellowship by the James McKeen Cattell Fund, which will be used to accomplish Yuan's goal to "develop better methodology for dealing with missing data and messy data" in psychology.

Yuan's focus on psychometric theory and multivariate statistics ultimately aims to "make the measuring and analyzing of psychological phenomenon more precise so that human characteris­
tics are better understood" and "make the psychology more like a science, not just fortune tellers."

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Tuesday, April 19, 2005
INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Sharon favors delay in pullout

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said Monday he favors a three-week delay in, but not a pullout from, the Gaza Strip and four West Bank settlements this summer, ostensibly because of a Jewish mourning period marking the destruction of the biblical temple.

A postponement could give the ill-prepared government more time to plan for the withdrawal, but would also give Jewish extremists more time to organize resistance. “I am positively inclined toward this. We simply have to make it as easy as possible,” Sharon told a Sunday meeting of the government's security Cabinet.

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Microsoft is pulling its executives worldwide operations of Arab TV broadcaster Al Jazeera on Monday, accusing it of inflaming violent protests by the Arab minority in its southwest, state-run TV reported.

Also, the government said two protesters died in the unrest in Khuzistan province along the border with Iraq, raising the death toll to 19 and at least eight injured. Iraq's intelligence chief told the country's official news agency that 290 opposition-linked leaders of the demonstrations had been arrested.

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LOCAL NEWS

DeLay says he violated no laws

WASHINGTON — In a fresh counterattack, House Majority Leader Tom DeLay told supporters in a mailing made public Monday that he has “never been found to have violated any law or rule by anyone” despite numerous allegations.

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“It seems white, no, it’s black!” reported Vatican radio as the first pale wisps slipped out from the narrow pipe and then quickly darkened.

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IRAQ

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NDBay, founded in December 2002, is a Web site that allows Notre Dame students to buy and sell used textbooks at lower prices than those charged by Hammons Notre Dame Bookstore.

Last year, students spent a total of $13,000 after using the site, said they would likely ask Kelly to look into the matter with EBay, but Kelly said changes between the Hammes Bookstore and NDBay will be minimal.

To pursue its Web site plans and changes between the Hammes Bookstore and NDBay, Kelly said.

"We don't take a cent from the student," said Kelly.

"They're getting a better deal," said Kelly.

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"The observatory shoes that the next pope will have to fill are enormous, and the great moral issues that he will face are daunting," Perkins said. "I mean, every Pope is challenged to be a shepherd, to provide moral direction, to be a teacher, to be a shepherd of the Church. And that is not going to change."

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Merck will discount drugs for uninsured

Card is the latest move from companies seeking to assuage criticism over prices

NEW YORK — Merck & Co. said Tuesday it will launch a card that will dis­count its drugs for uninsured Americans regard­less of their age or income.

The card will become available May 25 and is aimed at providing un­insured Americans with dis­counts of 15 percent to 40 percent for many Merck medicines.

An ad campaign, including print and radio spots to promote the card is slated to begin in May.

Merck's card is the latest move from drug makers, which have faced criticism that their products are too expensive, to provide some aid to those strug­gling to afford medications.

The U.S. Census Bureau esti­mates there are 45 million Americans without health insurance.

Merck, which is based in Whitehouse Station, N.J., decided to offer the card because many drug dis­count programs have age and income requirements that exclude the uninsured, many of whom have jobs that lack health care cover­age, said Margaret Mc­Glynn, Merck's president of U.S. Human Health.

"There are gaps. Some people just aren't eligible [for discounts]," said McGlynn.

A rival discount card for the uninsured from 10 drug companies was announced earlier this year has age and income requirements. Call it the CVS Access Card, it provides savings of 25 percent to 40 percent on more than 275 brand-name and generic drugs.

McGlynn said Merck aims to make the card as easy to get as possible. There are no fees and no one needs to prove they are uninsured.

McGlynn said people with drug coverage wouldn't really need the card.

To get the card, individu­als have to provide basic information such as name, address and number of dependents. People can receive a card by logging on to www.merckhealth.com, calling 1-800-50MERCK or filling out forms that will be available at doctors' offices and pharmacies.

Many of Merck's best­sellers are included including cholesterol-lowering agent Zocor, asthma drug Singulair and osteoporosis treatment Fosamax.

AIDS drug Crixivan is excluded, as are cholesterol medi­cines Zetta and Vytorin. Those drugs are marketed through a joint venture with Schering-Plough Corp. The venture has its own patient assistance program. McGlynn declined to say how much it may cost Merck to provide the dis­counts, and that the budget for the ad campaign was still being finalized.

Americans are more wor­ried about losing their pre­scription drug coverage and health insurance than their job or home, according to a nationwide poll of 1,001 adults conducted by Zogby International and commissioned by Merck.

The survey found that 49 percent of Americans fear losing their drug or health insurance. Meanwhile, 37 percent said they are wor­ried about losing their home while 30 percent worried about job loss.

Two in five of those sur­veyed said they "strongly" agreed.

Target will restrict over-the-counter medicines

SINGULAIR

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Target Corp. will no longer allow unlabeled access to cold medicines that are used to make methamphetamine.

Target stores nationwide will pull many cold, allergy and cough reme­dies from their regular shelves and sell them only from pharmacy coun­ters, the Minneapolis-based company announced Monday.

Target tried to avoid being the first national retailer to take the step.

The restrictions apply to all over­the-counter drugs containing pseu­doephedrine, including children's medicines. Drugs labels, liquids and gel­caps, spokeswoman Carolyn Brooker said. Pseudoephedrine is a key ingred­i­ent for methamphet­amine.

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Family of missing DA pleads for details

Associated Press

BELLEFONTE, Pa. — Her voice crackling at times, the daughter of a missing district attorney made an impassioned plea for her father to call home Monday and asked for fresh clues from the public to find the man.

Centre County District Attorney Ray F. Gricar, 59, has been missing since Friday. At a news conference Monday, authorities said they had called the FBI for help and that no leads have emerged since the prosecutor’s car was found over the weekend in Lewisburg, about 45 miles east of his home in Bellefonte.

Then, Lara Gricar stepped to the podium and said in a statement directed at her father, “My heart aches deeply, very deeply, for your presence.”

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Vietnam

Postwar generation changes Vietnam

Associated Press

HO CHI MINH CITY — “She Loves You ...”, the Beatles’ hit song, swaying, gyrating crowd roars back.

The concert by “The Beatles,” a band of Fab Four lookalikes from Australia, is reminiscent of Shea Stadium circa 1966, but the year is 2005 and the venue is the former Saigon, wartime capital of U.S.-backed South Vietnam.

In a country where 56 percent of the populace was born after the Vietnam War ended in a communist victory 30 years ago the concert is the face of the future: dancing teenagers singing rock ’n’ roll in English instead of the revolutionary music that fueled their parents’ fight for independence.

Today’s generation chats on cell phones, wears designer jeans, surfs the Web, rides the hottest new motorcycles, and firmly believes that with hard work and education — preferably at an American college — young Vietnamese can make their nation great.

Vu Hai Minh’s grandparents fought on separate sides of the war. Now the 17-year-old plans to study economics in Singapore.

“Vietnamese young people are very talented. They want to show they can rule their own country,” he says. “If Vietnam can defeat the biggest power in the world, it shows that it has huge potential.”

And just as the beat and flavor of music have changed over the years, so have the country’s goals and ideals.

After more than two decades of war to oust the French and then the Americans, Vietnam was reunited as an independent communist country in 1975, but still suffered isolation and extreme poverty before it began opening its economy to the world in the mid-1980s.

Now it has a peace-time generation that has grown up in a society determined to push Vietnam onto the international stage.

“Everyone wants to contribute to the country and to see the country change, be prosperous and healthy and have more freedoms,” says Rao Chau, 16. The 10th grader, who speaks perfect English and likes Jennifer Lopez and Britney Spears, plans to follow her older sister to college in California to become a doctor.

Chau’s dreams are typical of many young Vietnamese who yearn to be educated in the United States or Europe. But few are that lucky: The annual national income averages only about $550 a year, and only 3,000 new Vietnamese students enrolled in American colleges last year.

Others study closer to home in Singapore or Australia, and more and more are enrolling at colleges within Vietnam — a privilege once reserved for the rich and well-connected.

While eagerly embracing capitalism and nurturing a middle class, Vietnam remains a one-party state where political dissent is sharply curtailed. The party, run largely by old-guard conservatives, shows no sign of abandoning its monopoly on power and has been urging new members to join.

But the mere fact that the communist leadership is allowing Vietnamese teenagers practice breakdancing in Ho Chi Minh City. Today’s Vietnam is a nation of determined youth who have grown up as the first generation in peace.

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Ship hit by wave returns to NY

Associated Press

NEW YORK — When a "Boom!" on a cruise ship awoke him, the first thing that crossed passenger Robert Clark's mind was "the Titanic.

In a panic, he and his wife and 7-year-old daughter ran to a reception area and found passengers from flooded cabins, bunched together and weeping like prisoners, some of them crying hysterically. They soon discovered that the thunderous disruption was a freak 70-foot wave that smashed windows, sent furniture flying and ripped out whirlpools on the Norwegian Dawn.

We were going back and forth, up and down. And then, 'Boom!'" Clark said.

Clark and his family discussed their ordeal Monday after the Norwegian Dawn, carrying about 2,000 passengers, returned to New York Harbor and docked at its berth on the Hudson River. About 300 other passengers, many from the affected cabins, decided to leave the ship early in Charleston, S.C., and drive or fly home.

The 965-foot white ocean liner left New York on April 10, promised by this incident.

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The couple returned to their suite, where a glass table toppled and a desk flew flying across the room. Others woke up to find shoes and magazines floating in a foot of water.

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Bill and Ellen Tesar of Wayne, N.J., went to the ship's casino when the storm began to take their minds off the weather.

"That's when the captain announced that drinks are free all night," Bill Tesar said. "But then there was another horrendous slap on the water."

They soon discovered that the Norwegian Dawn docked at Charleston for repairs and a Coast Guard inspection before leaving for New York Harbor for repairs and a weekend. The liner left New York on April 10. There have even been a few days — the Monday after Pope John Paul II died and last Tuesday's Mariah Carey concert — when the ABC team of Charles Gibson and Diane Sawyer came in first.

"The program has momentum and momentum that has been building for six years," said Ben Sherwood, executive producer of "GMA" since taking over from Sherwood last year.

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Reeling in the years

It's that time of your again. South Bend weather becomes miraculously beautiful, your professor actually lets your class meet on DeBartolo Quad and the main building is encapsulated in prayer-like scaffolding. Well, maybe not now that last one.

As you all know, however, "in the season of ternary Viewpoints, expressing how much Notre Dame has meant to the columnist over the past four years or even — for those born and bred Domers — over an indefinite lifetime. As a graduating senior, please bear with me, because this column is no exception.

Before you came to Notre Dame, you heard about the Notre Dame mystique. Maybe you grew up watching Notre Dame football. Maybe you were strange like my family and instead grew up watching NCAA track and field. Regardless of whether you were born with blue and gold running through your veins or acquired it after consuming an unworthy number of Blazing Sea Nuggets from the dining hall, after four years here you begin to understand.

Before you came you heard about Notre Dame's nationally renowned academics. You read about the storied history of the football team. People who have never attended Notre Dame told you how much they love your school.

When you applied, you saw the admissions packet with that shining picture of the golden dome. Underneath the image it said, "Nowhere else but Notre Dame." I wish you had been Notre Dame. Actually, you could have found schools with comparable academics. You could have attended schools with better football. Maybe you were strange like my family and instead grew up watching NCAA track and field. Regardless of whether you were born with blue and gold running through your veins or acquired it after consuming an unworthy number of Blazing Sea Nuggets from the dining hall, after four years here you begin to understand.

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I came to Notre Dame thinking of the school in the most cliché of terms, as a "top twenty university." I leave dwelling not so much on the University's academic prowess, achievements in sports and international innovations.

To me, this quote symbolizes what can be reached at kboyle2@nd.edu.

"When I find myself fading, I close my eyes and realize my friends are my energy."
Great performance, bad manners

I had the pleasure of attending the musical "Cinderella" at Saint Mary's College last Friday with friends and family. We all enjoyed a fine performance by the cast, musicians and crew. However, I must note that the audience was unusually rude to the orchestra. During the overture, the audience completely drowned out the music with conversations and cell phones. The conductor gracefully attempted to remedy this by introducing the orchestra to applause before the second act. In response, the audience increased its volume.

Music is central to a musical! Please, keep silent during the overture and entr'acte. At the least, don't lose respect for your friends in the orchestra and the music will sound better. Keep silent so that you may enjoy the treat that you paid money to attend.

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Fond recollections of Hesburgh Library

The greatest joy was afforded me by the Irish cathedral with its spiritual center as the intellectual citadel of the university. In the case of Notre Dame, "the intellectual citadel of American Catholicism," of course the cathedral with its divine service can certainly be called the spiritual center as well. Yet along side it is the center of secular knowledge, the library. As Max Kade distinguished visiting professor in the department of German and Russian at Notre Dame, I had the good fortune of teaching 19th century German literature for a period of four months. Being with the students was intellectually and emotionally uplifting, as was the interaction with my faculty colleagues. Yet in honesty, the greatest joy was afforded me by the library. At first I was not at all acquainted with the library at Notre Dame. Yet no sooner did I ask than I was greeted with the quickest and most cordial assistance by the staff and librarians who provide service to students and faculty. While not all books I needed were available there, the staff made every effort to meet the needs of the researcher. Whatever wasn't owned locally was acquired through InterLibrary Loan. In one instance, an item that could not be photocopied due to awkward size was digitized in the Special Collections Department. Robert Kusmer, the bibliographer for German literature, was instrumental in acquiring needed resources and acquainting me with the collections and services. Indeed, the most striking experience in my many encounters with employees of the Library was that my requests were taken seriously. I was treated as a scholar. Nor will I ever forget how late one evening I discovered to my dismay that I did not have my library card with me, thus preventing me from being able to use the machine to check out a much needed book. I mentioned this dilemma to the librarian on duty whom I had come to know. She proceeded to check out the book on the machine using her own card, thus taking on the responsibility for it. (I can assure you that within a few days I returned the book.)

I have now returned to Germany and have resumed using the university library where I live. However, the spirit of pleasant cooperation and friendly support is lacking. Of course I am able to get the books I need expeditiously. Yet when I do not know something or am not familiar with something, then assistance is given grudgingly. No one smiles at me when I return books I have borrowed. And while the American library, of course the cathedral with its spiritual center as the intellectual citadel of the university, is bent to societal pressures, as well.

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'Doom 3' makes use of great sound, realistic graphics

By MARK BEMENDERFER
Scene Writer

In "Doom 3," players face off against a variety of creative hell-spawned monsters. The game is one of the most realistic of its genre.

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Upon finding the scientist, the player soon discovers his post on Mars may be a little less boring than originally anticipated. The corporation had been conducting experiments in teleportation and through their efforts had managed to open a hole into what could only be described as hell. Once the player finds the missing scientist, the teleporters go haywire, and horrid, grotesque creatures begin to pour through.

"Doom 3" is one wild ride. Creatures from the walls, ceilings, basically any angle that the player would not expect. Growls and hisses are heard emanating from the voids and from behind closed doors. The pacing of the game is nearly perfect. With bigger and more disturbing creatures attacking as the game progresses, the monsters range from the paranormal to twisted creations of flesh and machine. The chub-creature-like creatures that attack players must be peculiarly creased. Instead of feathered wings, they have insect wings. Since they have no legs, they crawl along the floor and leap at the player when they get within range. The noise they make is one of the player's biggest fears.

The sound in "Doom 3" is used to good effect. Each creature makes a unique noise that is often the only warning the player receives. Since portions of the game are played with little to no visibility, sound is often the player's greatest asset.

The Union Aerospace facility is one of the best-looking, most impressive video game environments to date. Many video games fail to depict a realistic environment, but "Doom 3" excels. The game mechanics begin to work as though it is what it pretends to be. The facility was a cheap, under-staffed and poorly guarded place before the teleporters went haywire, and afterward even more of the lights malfunction, as well as random machinery throughout the complex.

The illumination within the game is some of the best to be seen in any game, on any console. The shadows and illuminating factors are all cast in real-time. Shadows cover the creatures, and move over them as the creatures move. The shading moves and changes as lights in the environment also move. Some of the best parts of the game are when the developers use darkness. When the player has to escort a man through a pitch-black segment of the map, the only thing that light up are gory movements in the shadows, or hostile noises can cause any player to jump.

The only downfall "Doom 3" experiences is the lack of a splitscreen mode. Multiplayer segments are only available over Live or a system link. Beyond those minor shortcomings, "Doom 3" is a must for any first-person shooter fan.

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'God of War' worth renting, definitely not buying

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"Whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad."

Those are the words that start "God of War," the game that begins with a younger Kratos, and the player is introduced to Kratos. In a very well-rendered cinematic, Kratos leaps from a cliff in an apparent act of suicide. The gods, along with the heavenly soldiers who had drowned and of course the Hydra, attack a number of players. To slay the Hydra, the player assumes control over him.

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"Donkey Kong Jungle Beat" brings a visceral innovation

By MARIA SMITH
Scene Staff Writer

Looking for a totally original gaming experience? "Donkey Kong Jungle Beat" definitely meets the order. Only Nintendo would think to harness the power of the bongo drum in controlling their well-loved cartoon ape. The result is fantastic - nothing in the world of video games is quite as visceral as beating bongos and clapping your way to becoming the new king of the jungle.

You can play "Jungle Beat" with a regular controller instead of the bongo drums, but don't bother. Playing with a controller does not even approach playing with the bongos. It can be difficult to master the controls of a new game, and "Jungle Beat" can certainly be tricky.

But unlike multi-player shooter games, in which not knowing the controls can mean dying three times in two minutes, pitting around in "Jungle Beat" is almost as fun as playing when you actually know what you're doing. The early levels are forgiving of players who are still figuring out what combination of beats makes Donkey Kong jump, explode enemies or scale walls.

You might be tempted to take a break when your hands start to sting from clapping and your shoulders get sore from trying to collect bananas or explode warthogs as fast as possible. Hand the drums off and enjoy the specific aspects that make "Jungle Beat" different - it's almost as fun playing the game yourself.

If you feel like goofing around more than speeding through the levels, you can even try a unique two-player arrangement. Put one person on drum duty while the other takes care of the clapping, and see what you can get done.

Some modern incarnations of older characters are put into 3-D and look so different from the originals that they lose some of their nostalgic value. "Jungle Beat" latches onto the nostalgic value of the 2-D Donkey Kong at the same time that it latches onto the appeal of innovation with the controller. The resulting graphics aren't fabulous, but they certainly do the job.

Ironically, one of the biggest problems with this game is that once you've really mastered the controls, there's not all that much challenge to the game. It's fun to see how long you can stay airborne, especially since longer air time means getting more points. Playing from wall to wall to vine to overhanging bongos - this is almost as fun as playing the game yourself.

Donkey Kong
Jungle Beat
Available for GameCube

Nintendo

So if you're one of the loyal Nintendo fans who owns a GameCube, make sure you pick up Nintendo's most creative release of the year. It can also be done on a split-screen, so people without Live or a system link can still play together.

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"Donkey Kong Jungle Beat" uses bongo-drum controllers instead of the normal hand-held controller to allow Donkey Kong to grab bananas and smash enemies.

'Splinter Cell Chaos Theory' is a reason to own an Xbox

By MARK BEMENDERFER
Scene Writer

Political thrillers are hard to come by in video games, let alone ones with decent plots. The average video game feels as if it were penned by a teenager, with all the angst and illogical trappings that follow. So it is a rare treat that a famous author behind the "Splinter Cell" theories was penned by a teenager, with all the thrillers or video games for that matter.

"Splinter Cell: Chaos Theory" has taken a different route. While it is recommended that players get done with the first two games, the third installment has a different feel. It is in the multiplayer setting that this game truly shines. For the first time, a cooperative mode has been added to "Splinter Cell." This mode is standalone, separate from the main game. Two players can be operatives in training and help each other through many levels of espionage. It can also be done on a split-screen, so people without Live or a system link can still play together.

The deathmatch style of multiplayer is still very good as well. Introduced in the first game, it is in the multiplayer setting that this mode really shines. It can also be done on a split-screen, so people without Live or a system link can still play together.

The four players are broken into two teams - the mercenaries and the spies. The spies play a lot like the single player campaign. Their view is in the third person, and they can perform all the acrobatic tricks Sam Fisher could. The mercenaries play a bit more like the standard deathmatch. Given a first person view similar to Halo, they are given some simple tricks that prevent the spies from achieving their objective. The combination of the two teams can lead to some intense matches, as both sides are given some nasty tricks.

Overall, this is a very fun game. When in need of a stealth fix, look no further. "Splinter Cell Chaos Theory" is one of the reasons to own an X-Box.

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"Donkey Kong Jungle Beat" is almost as fun as playing when you actually know what you're doing. The early levels are forgiving of players who are still figuring out what combination of beats makes Donkey Kong jump, explode enemies or scale walls.

"Splinter Cell Chaos Theory" is an excellent game in single-player mode and also makes unique use of multiplayer and deathmatch modes.
Red Sox win Patriots' Day game; Tigers beat Os

Yankees score 13 runs in second inning and end slide

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New York — The New York Yankees pounded quickly follow­ing George Steinbrenner's announcement. Alex Rodriguez, Tino Martinez and the Yankees broke out for 13 runs in the second inning Monday night on the way to a 19-8 rout of the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

One day after Steinbrenner had resolved to build his team for 4-8 start, the Yankees quickly showed how powerful they can be when the offense is clicking.

Rodriguez homered twice, doubled, tripled and walked with five hits. He drove in six runs and scored five times. Martinez hit a grand slam and knocked in six runs. Bernie Williams had three runs, and Derek Jeter drove in six runs.

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Rodriguez added a two-run homer off Carter in the third and walked before Rodriguez's third three-homer game when he dou­bled off right-center fence in the seventh.

Tampa Bay fought back against a 13-0 deficit, but they barely last­ed long enough to earn the easy win. He was charged with eight runs and nine hits in 1-3 innings.

Aubrey Huff hit a three-run homer for Tampa Bay, which has lost 11 straight at Yankee Stadium and four in a row over­all. Julio Lugo had three hits and two RBIs.

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Tigers 13, Orioles 3

Detroit Young and the Boston Tigers did an effective job of preventing the euphoria the Baltimore Orioles derived from their uplifting three-game sweep of the New York Yankees.

Young went 3-for-5 with a homer and three RBIs, leading a 16-hit attack that carried Detroit to a victory Monday night.

Jay Gibbons homered for the Orioles, who climbed into first place in the AL East with their weekend sweep of the New York Yankees. Each of those three games with the Yankees, but only 163,101 showed up for this one — the largest crowd in the 14-year history of Camden Yards.

Orioles manager Lee Mazzilli gathered his players before the game and stressed the impor­tance of playing with the same intensity against the Yankees, but his speech went for naught.

"We were a little flat," he said afterward. "We don't like it, but we'll deal with it." The Tigers, on the other hand, the momentum created by winning the final two games of their series in Kansas City.

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Scott Schilling and Ramirez were in the midst of a stifling and a 1-3 lead.

With one out in the second inning, every New York starter had a hit and a run scored.

Every time the Yankees scored 13 runs in an inning was June 21, 1945, in the fifth inning of a 14-4 victory at Boston. The franchise record is 14 runs in the fifth inning on July 6, 1920, against the Senators in Washington.

The last time New York got 11 hits in an inning was April 11, 1997, against Kansas City. And the Devil Rays set a team record for most runs allowed in an inning.

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In his previous start, Johnson gave up 10 runs and nine hits in 5-2-3 innings against the New York Yankees.

Every Detroi t starter except C ronie M onroe greeted Rick Rodriguez's fly ball to the warning track in left.

In the bottom half, Sammy Sosa hit a two-run single and Ivan Rodriguez and Young hit back-to-back RBIs before Craig Monroe greeted Rick Bauer with an RBI single.

Aubrey Huff homered for the Orioles and a two-run homer by Young — his first since hitting three on open­ing day — made it 12-0.

After Infante led off the third with a single, he was doubled and scored on a double-play grounder. A run-scoring base hit by Pinero followed and an RBI single by Infante made it 5-2 in the sixth.

Red Sox 12, Blue Jays 7

Many Ramírez spent an adventurous day left field, hit­ting two home runs over the Green Monster and losing two fly balls in the sun, and Curt Schilling got his first win as Boston's starter. Joe Sox beat the Toronto Blue Jays Monday.

It was a strange day at Fenway Park, from the 11:08 a.m. start for the Patriots Day holiday to a flyover by two jets marking the start of the Boston Marathon. To top it off, Schilling was so out of the ejection. To top it off, Boston's ace labored in his second start of the season and bare­ly made it through the fifth inning for the win with 118 pitches and a 9-3 lead.

He got out of two bases-loaded jams, one when he struck out Frank Catalanotto to end the second inning moments after the break. With two outs, Schilling allowed Catalanotto's two-run single in the fifth, but struck out Gregg Zaun. Schilling (1-0), who allowed Catalanotto's two-run single in the fifth, struck out Zaun.

Ramírez did not allow the first one, a three-run shot in the third, did not clear the left-field fence.

There was plenty of uncer­tainty about the second home run of the sixth in the game.

That drive hit just above the right line on the wall for a homer, but bounced back onto the field. Third-base umpire Bob Davidson originally ruled the ball was in play and Ramirez stopped at second. Then the umpires conferred and changed the call to a home run.

Ramírez's fourth of the season.

Gibbons rushed onto the field to argue and was ejected.

Boston scored seven runs off Dave Bush (0-3), who left with no outs in the third. Kevin Millar singled in a run in the first. Trot Nixon got an RBI single and Ramirez hit his homer in the sec­ond. Mark Bellhorn added a two-run home run.

Johnny Damon also drove in two runs in a three-run single in the first.

The Blue Jays scored on Vernon Wells' double in the third, and Ramirez helped them score two unearned runs in the fifth.

With one out, he fought the sun — perhaps unaccustomed to its position so early in the day — and was charged with a base­ball error on Orlando Hudson's fly near the warning track. Adams singled in a run before Catalánotto hit one fly to left that Ramirez struggled with, and the ball fell for a double and another run.

Zaun then hit a ball that Ramirez caught for a sacrifice fly and the crowd cheered and chanted, "Man-ay, Man-ay."
**ND Women’s Track**

Irish have successful weekend in California

Another part of the team performs well in Indianapolis’ Big East qualifications

By RYAN KIEFER

Maryann Erigha struck gold in California this weekend.

The Irish sprinter won two events and set a school record in the 100-meters, highlighting a busy weekend for the Notre Dame Women’s track team.

Notre Dame took nine athletes to the Mt. San Antonio College Relays in Walnut, Calif., while the rest of the team competed in the Indy Relays hosted by Butler University.

Competing against the best the collegiate track circuit has to offer, the Irish shined in California, highlighted by Erigha’s victories. The sophomore, who was hampered by injuries last spring, had her best meet as a collegian.

Her narrow victory in the 100 in 11.28 seconds broke Notre Dame’s eight-year-old school record by two tenths of a second. She also won the 200-meters in 23.28 seconds.

Her times rank among the top of the region for the NCAA.

Cooper Tim Connelly was solid in finishing fourth in the 5,000-meter run. Her training partner Sunni Olding struggled. After jumping out with the lead pack early, the freshman fell behind in the final 500 meters and finished in 17th place.

Connelly attributed the mistake to inexperience. "They [Olding and Madia] went out faster than they did at Stanford [earlier this season]" and Sunni paid for it. She just couldn’t keep up, but she’s only a freshman," Connelly said. "Sunni knew what happened, and she’ll learn from that experience."

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**MLB**

**Boston fan banned from Fenway Park**

Joe Torre speaks with Gary Sheffield before Monday's game in Tampa Bay. Sheffield was involved in the altercation in Boston.

Associated Press

**BOSTON** — The spectator who interfered with New York Yankees right fielder Gary Sheffield had his season tickets for 2006 revoked Monday by the Boston Red Sox.

A fan who spilled beer on Sheffield was prohibited from buying tickets for the rest of the season.

"That just proves I wasn't in the wrong, and that's what this is all about," Sheffield said in New York. "Yeah, you try to represent something 'o a striking Sheffield and Yankees right fielder Gary in terfe red with New York turb ing. That just makes me feel did n't start, that's kind of dis- for reacting to something you all about," Sheffield said in New York. Sheffield was pro hibited from Norton, said he had " no inten- th ro u gh his lawyer, D avid T. spokesman Glenn Geffner said. and e n fo rc e a b le," club that we thought was appropriate those tickets reinstated for 2006. and leaves it up to the club to decide whether the season ticket holder, C hris House, w ill get contact with the outfielder. It is ridiculous for anyone to even suggest that I punched him or even attempted to," House said, describing himself as a 12-year season ticket holder. "I was shocked and disappoint ed by his [Sheffield's] reaction, and I thank Red Sox security and Boston Police for quickly coming to my assistance."

New York manager Joe Torre was pleased with the team's decision, as was owner George Steinbrenner.

"We applauded the Red Sox for decisively dealing with this matter," Steinbrenner said in a state ment issued through spokesman Howard Rubenstein.

Boston acted after a four-day investigation following the play last Thursday night at Fenway Park in which Sheffield was chasing a ball along the low right-field wall that Jason Varitek hit for a triple.

House reached over the 3-foot high fence, and Sheffield said he was struck in the face. Sheffield picked up the ball, pushed House, then threw the ball to the infield. Sheffield turned toward House but did not make contact with him again as a security guard jumped over the wall and stood between House and Sheffield.

 ESPN gets Monday Night Football

**NBC will now pick up Sunday night prime time coverage**

Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — "Monday Night Football," a television institution that over 35 years has helped transform the NFL into a prime-time ratings draw, is leaving ABC and moving to ESPN beginning with the 2006 season.

The new broadcast deal also brings the NFL to NBC for the first time since 1997. The net- work gets Sunday night football — which the league now con-siders its marquee television showcase — and will employ a flexible scheduling model.

"In the current media envi- ronment, Sunday is now the better night for our prime-time broadcast package," commis-sioner Paul Tagliabue said Monday.

Moving "Monday Night Football" to ESPN, which cur-rently broadcasts Sunday night games, keeps the brand under The Disney Company umbrella. Disney owns both ESPN and ABC.

After the coming season, ABC — which pioneered modern tel-evision sports in bringing pro football to prime time — will be the only major network not to carry the NFL. "Monday Night Football" has been a pillar of ABC since it began in 1970, when Howard Cosell anchored the show that now stands as the second-longest running prime time network series, trailing CBS's 60 Minutes by two years.

NBC will start its Sunday broadcasts with a preseason show at 7 p.m. eastern; games will begin at 8:15. The network plans to use a flexible schedul-ing model in the last seven weeks, allowing it to shift after- noon games to prime time to ensure more meaningful games are shown on national TV.

Monday night games will shift to the earlier start time of 8-40 p.m. eastern on ESPN.

"The earlier kickoff times for both packages, NBC's Sunday night programming devoted to the NFL, and flexible scheduling for Sunday night are all positive changes," Tagliabue said.

ESPN, which has been broad-casting Sunday night games since 1998, will pay $1.1 billion a year over eight years for Monday night games, two sources familiar with the deal told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Under its current eight-year, $4.4 billion contract, ABC has paid an average of $550 million per year to broadcast "Monday Night Football" — exactly one-half of the average amount that ESPN has agreed to pay.

NBC will get the Sunday night package for $600 million a year over six years, according to the sources. That annual figure is the same price ESPN paid for Sunday night football over the course of its current eight-year deal. NBC will also get the Super Bowl in 2009 and 2012.

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**Cycling**

**Six-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong poses before a training ride in Austin, Texas on May 17, 1998.**

Armstrong announced Monday that he would retire following this year's Tour de France.

Associated Press

One of the greatest athletes of this era, or any other, ended months of speculation Monday by announcing his retirement. Staying in character, Lance Armstrong saved the biggest mountain to climb for last.

"Whenever I watch sport, whatever sport it may happen to be, I love to see the guy go out on top," he said. "I would love to do that." No one, not even Armstrong, knows at the moment what it will take to win a seventh Tour de France. Just don't try telling his rivals that. Until Armstrong rolled smoothly onto the wide boulevard of the Champs-Elysees wearing the yellow jersey last summer, no cyclist had even won six Tours, never mind all six in a row. He's won them easy and early, won them sick and hanging on with both hands, once after another and changing another when he was barely jaded. But to win the next one, Armstrong will have to prepare once more for all those things, and do it at an age when all the other great champions, with their cautionary tales strung around him, were effective­ly finished. He turns 34 in September.

"The body just doesn't keep going and going," Armstrong said. Which conveniently leaves out that at least until now, he has been the exception to the rule.

Considering the size and topography of the stage 21, actually, stages, you bet against the grandest of exiles by one of the greatest competitors ever at your own risk. Either way, the final lap of Armstrong's career should prove every bit as fascinating as his breakthrough win at the Tour in 1999 — and that one came after outlasting a deadly form of testicular cancer.

It was also before the spotlight found Armstrong, and he found out what a cosily, uncomfortable place it can be. Intense as the scrutiny is over here, it pales in comparison to what he faces on the other side of the Atlantic. Over there, Armstrong is Barry Bonds on wheels. Every appearance resembles an interrogation, and every thing he says is parsed and then plumbed for hidden meanings. Worse, some of those appearances actually are interrogation.

According to the Scotsman newspaper, Armstrong is facing at least eight legal battles at the moment, several stemming from allegations he used performance-enhancing drugs.

**In Brief**

**Hamilton suspended from cycling for blood-doping**

DENVER — Olympic gold medalist Tyler Hamilton was sus­pended Monday from competitive cycling for two years for a blood-doping violation discovered at a race in September.

The suspension was handed down by the independent American Arbitration Association-North American Court of Arbitration for Sport.

He can return to competition April 17, 2007, but he forfeits all competitive results since Sept. 11, 2004, the day of the positive test at the Spanish Vuelta. The positive test occurred the month after Hamilton won the time trial at the Athens Olympics. Hamilton first tested positive in Athens, but that case was dropped after his backup sample was frozen, leaving too few red blood cells to analyze. The Russian Olympic Committee filed an appeal with the Court of Arbitration for Sport seeking to strip Hamilton of his gold medal and give it to Yaroslav Eskinov.

Neither the U.S. Olympic Committee nor Hamilton immediately returned phone calls for comment.

Agassi and Courier to team up at the United States Clay Court Championships

HOUSTON — Andre Agassi, playing doubles for just the second time since 2001, teamed with former world No. 1 Jim Courier later against Martin Garcia of Argentina and Luis Horna of Peru.

Andy Roddick, the tournament's top seed, will play Matias Baeker on Tuesday afternoon, and the second-seeded Agassi will follow against Michel Tabara.

Melters broke Puerta in the first game of the second set but fell behind two break points in the sixth game. After the third deuce, consecutive service return errors by Puerta gave Melzer the game and a 4-2 lead.

Melters broke Puerta again to take the match in the ninth game on the second match point. Agassi last played doubles on June 7, 2004, with Roddick in a second-round loss to Australians Paul Hanley and Wayne Arthurs at the Queen's Club tournament in London. Courier has not played on the ATP tour in five years.

**Pacers' Johnson suspended for throwing punch**

NEW YORK — Indiana guard Anthony Johnson was suspended one game by the NBA on Monday for throwing a punch at Miami center Alonzo Mourning.

Johnson threw the punch in the first game of the Pacers' loss to the Heat on Sunday. Mourning was fouled by the Heat's Dwyane Wade, and he and Mourning appeared to collision.

Johnson threw a punch that did not strike Mourning and was apparently unnoticed by referees, since he was not ejected. He was whistled for a technical foul.

Johnson, who averages 8.3 points and 4.8 assists, served his suspension Monday night against the Orlando Magic.
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to go deep into the tournament.

"A scrappy team can go a long way in Bookstore if things are going their way," he said. "They can go as far as their energy can take them.

Looking For a Sponsor at the Moment 21, Brady, Where'd You Get That Tan? 8

Jerome Collins is hoping to hear his name announced this weekend at the NFL Draft. But for now, the tight end is focusing his attention on winning Bookstore Basketball.

Collins came one step closer to his goal Monday night as he led Looking For a Sponsor at the Moment to a 21-8 victory over Brady, Where'd You Get That Tan? 8

Collins asserted himself early, controlling the glass and preventing Brady, Where'd You Get That Tan? from getting any advantage over Rhema, but the crowd and defensive intensity of guard Matt Biscaia 8 proved very difficult to stop.

"This was an easy game. They just had too much heart," Patton said.

Collins was impressed with the play of his opponents. "I thought they were pretty good," he said. "It wasn't like this was an easy game. They played well tonight."

Looking For a Sponsor at the Moment captain Joe Manzo agreed with Collins, saying he respected Brady, Where'd You Get That Tan? for how hard the team played Monday night.

McClyde also stressed that his team needed to work on its chemistry as it advances deeper into the tournament.

"This is the second game we have had everyone together for, so it was a good chance to get used to playing with each other," McClyde said. "If we can play hard and gel as a team, we are going to be pretty hard to stop.

Manzo was disappointed in his team's loss, but maintained that a smaller victory had been won over Looking For a Sponsor at the Moment.

"At least our team name was funny," he said.

Collins agreed with Manzo wholeheartedly. "I actually like that name a lot because I'd like to know where Brady got that tan too," Collins said. "If they find out, they should definitely let me know."  

CoCoa Butter 21 - Nausea, Indigestion, Heartburn, Upset Stomach, Matt Biscaia 8

Coincidently, Cocoa Butter quickly ran away with the game, however, behind the inside dominance of Dokes and superior perimeter play of Bobby Brown and captain Lance Wescher. The crowd erupted when, midway through the first half, Dokes stole the ball from Drew Donovan and promptly threw down a tomahawk dunk on the other end of the court.

"I think one of the big factors was that they had about a foot and 100 pounds on each of us and the dunks," Bahnson said.

CoCoa Butter, the 11th-seeded team in the tournament, moves on to the round of 32 but has yet to face a significant challenge. While Wescher is happy with the team's success, he is worried that the team might get surprised at some point when the level of play is heightened.

"The teams we have played so far haven't been bad, just small," Wescher said. "I'm afraid of running into a team down the line that is much better than the teams we have played so far."

Dokes shares Wescher's concern and feels the team must continue to come together as a group to go deep into the tournament.

"As we go further in the tournament, we need to work on our team chemistry. Athleticism can only take you so far," Wescher said.

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Tim Cremieux takes a jump shot during his Bookstore Basketball game on Sunday. The men's tournament began the round of 64 Monday afternoon.

"There's a couple teams out here that play really well together," Dokes said. "They are scary matchups. We could lose any night."

"We have been to Europe, that's about as far as the comparison goes.

Nausea felt good about its chances early on, though.

"We were playing them close," Matt Biscaia said. "It was 0-0 and then 1-1. I think our main problem was Lance Biscaia didn't get enough touch.

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**NFL**

Linebacker dies at 45 from intestinal cancer

Sam Mills went to five Pro Bowls in his 12-year pro career

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Small in stature, Sam Mills was a giant both on and off the football field.

Told 5-foot-9 was too small to be a professional linebacker, teams didn’t give him tryouts and agents refused to represent him. None of it stopped Mills, who went on to make five Pro Bowls in a stellar 12-year NFL career.

Mills couldn’t beat cancer, though. He died at his home Monday after a two-year battle with intestinal cancer. He was 45.

"Sam was one of the finest people you will ever meet. You would never know that he was a player who made Pro Bowls and had all this attention because he treated everybody the same no matter who they were," Carolina general manager Marty Hurney said. "He was the type of guy you never had a bad thing to say about anybody and had a great ability to laugh at himself.

"He was the type of guy you want your kids to grow up to be."

There is a statue of him out front of the New Jersey’s Sports Hall of Fame. He is also a member of New York Giants Hall of Fame.

"I remember him being the toughest little man I’ve ever seen in my life," said former Saints linebacker Ricky Jackson. "He was mighty mouse — he’d hit you hard as he could every time he hit you."

"When he had a bum knee one time, he still showed up every day. He pushed you. Looking at him doing it made me do better, to work harder, to be the best player they judged the best.

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**Steelers look ahead to draft**

**Associated Press**

PITTSBURGH — One year after choosing Ben Roethlisberger, the Pittsburgh Steelers are faced with this perplexing problem heading into the NFL draft: How do they top that?

"They don’t," the Steelers don’t.

The Steelers don’t choose until 30th in the first round, 19th overall when they selected Roethlisberger with one of the most successful picks in their history. If they had passed on the quarterback who became the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year, it can be argued they might be selecting a lot sooner Saturday.

Choosing just three picks before the second round begins, the Steelers aren’t looking to hit another home run. Rather, they’d like to add at least one player who can pick immediately — perhaps a linebacker or an offensive lineman — then add depth at the other positions where they’re thin.

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Doherty to take over FAU

Associated Press

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Matt Doherty was hired Monday as Florida Atlantic's coach, starting more than two years after he resigned from North Carolina. Doherty, a former national coach of the year, replaces Sidney Green, who was fired last month after three consecutive losing seasons, including a 10-17 mark this year.

"At every place there's different problems, different issues," Doherty said. "And I thought, 'How cool would it be to come here and build this program?'"

"I was going to say brick by brick, but I don't think as a basketball coach that's a good term to use. So piece by piece, wish by wish. How cool would that be?"

After seven seasons as an assistant at Kansas under current Tar Heels coach Roy Williams, Doherty went to Notre Dame for the 1999-00 season. Doherty agreed to a seven-year contract that pays him a base salary of $171,000 annually; he could also earn bonus-based on ticket sales, and Allyson sales and endorsements. Doherty, who makes $100,000 after two, and progressively less each following year.

"He's a coach. He wants to coach. He's not going to go to a place and say he doesn't feel he can be successful," said Walters, the former Kansas assistant who'll leave his assistant job at Valparaiso to join Doherty's staff. "He believes in and believes this can be a program to be reckoned with. We can win here."

History suggests that will be tough at FAU, which will play one more season in the mid-major Atlantic Sun Conference before joining the Sun Belt for the 2006-07 campaign.

The 2004-05 team played seven home games before fewer than 500 fans. In 12 seasons in Division I, the Owls are a combined 102-224, with only two winning seasons and one trip to the NCAA tournament.

"It wasn't about money. It wasn't about level," Doherty said. "If you have a passion for coaching basketball, you'll coach in front of 20,000 people or 2,000 people."

His new players are excited.

"He's a big name and clearly a great coach. And I think he's got our guys excited," said guard Tywain McTyer, who'll be a sophomore next season.

In the 2000-01 season, Doherty's first Carolina team went 26-7, was ranked No. 1 in the country late in the year and won a share of the ACC's regular-season title. He was named The Associated Press' coach of the year.

But he missed the NCAA tournament in each of his final two seasons in Chapel Hill, and resigned under pressure in April 2003. Many of the players he recruited to Chapel Hill — including Sean May, Raymond Felton and Rashad McCants — helped lead the Tar Heels to this year's national championship.

"I joke, saying I got to buy the groceries and start the meal, but I didn't get to enjoy it," Doherty said. "So that was a little frustrating, but I was very proud of what they accomplished and felt a part of it. And as a result, got some credit for it too."

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Ndereba victorious in 2005 Boston Marathon

"Catherine the Great" becomes a four-time winner in the event

Associated Press

BOSTON — Twenty-five years after Rosie Ruiz came out nowhere to "win" the Boston Marathon, Catherine Ndereba staged a rally almost as improbable.

Trail ing by four football fields at the halfway point, the Kenyan known as "Catherine the Great" caught Ethiopian Alemu to win an unprecedented fourth title Monday, finishing in two hours, 25 minutes, 13 seconds.

Ethiopia's Haile Gebrselassie covered the 26.2-mile course from eight points in Boston's Back Bay in a heat-slowed 2:11:45 for the men's title, earning $100,000 and breaking Kenya's stranglehold on the event. Alan Culpepper gave the U.S. something to celebrate, placing fourth in the best finish for an American since Dave Gordon was fourth in 1987.

"Ndereba made sure the Kenyans weren't shut out," said Benson Cherono, who was third in the men's race behind Gebrselassie and Kenyan Wilson Onsare. "I gave my congratulations to her on winning. I thank God for what she did."

 Ruiz became one of the most notorious cheats in sports history when she was declared the winner of the 1980 Boston Marathon despite running only about a mile. The real winner, Jacqueline Gareau, was brought back on Monday to claim some of her usurped spoils.

Ndereba didn't need any trickery to beat Alemu for the second consecutive year. Last year's 16-second gap tied the closest in the history of the women's race, but Ndereba won this year by 1:50.

"It is more than a thrill," Ndereba said. "I felt like my legs were kind of heavy when we started. As I kept on pushing the pace, I felt like my body was moving and I felt like, 'Wow! I can do it.'"

Alemu was in the lead pack from the fifth mile in Framingham, pulling away at Wellesley College to open an 80-second lead at the 13.1-mile mark. Alemu pulled even with the Ethiopian at the crest of Heartbreak Hill, about two hours into the race.

They ran side-by-side past Boston College onto Beacon Street where Alemu fell back at Cleveland Circle in Brookline.

Alemu has finished second two times in a row. In 2002, her only other Boston appearance, she finished third to Ndereba's second.

"I'm not disappointed because there is winning, and there is not running," Alemu said. "It happened. I am not worried about that."

It was more than 13 of the previous 14 men's races, but this year they'll have to settle for Ndereba's victory.

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Men's Basketball

Latimore opts to leave the Irish
Notre Dame forward will forego his final year of athletic eligibility

By MATT LOZAR
Senior Staff Writer

Dennis Latimore's announcement came as much less of a surprise. Four days after junior Torin Francis made himself eligible for the NBA draft, the senior Latimore announced Monday he won't be returning for the 2005-06 season at Notre Dame, electing not to use his final year of eligibility.

"I've enjoyed the past two years that I have spent here at Notre Dame both as a student and an athlete," Latimore said in a statement. "I am very grateful for the educational opportunity that I have experienced and feel that my degree has prepared me for my future both on and off the court. I am extremely appreciative of the support from the community during my time here."

At the basketball banquet on Wednesday night, Latimore wore the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award given annually to the member of the men's basketball team with the highest grade point average. Latimore will be graduating in May with a degree in English and African-American studies.

Rumored to possibly not be returning for the past couple of weeks, Latimore transferred to Notre Dame in June 2003 and sat out the 2003-04 season due to NCAA transfer rules.

Latimore averaged 7.0 points and 4.3 rebounds last season when he played 20.6 minutes per game. He made 14 starts and appeared in all 29 games.

Latimore spent his first two seasons at Arizona, where he played in 57 games, averaging 2.4 points and 2.0 rebounds per game.

The only season Latimore spent playing for the Irish could be classified as a disappointment after he gained a lot of hype as playing well in...