Breach may have exposed donor information

By MADDIE HANNA

The Observer

The personal and financial information of some University donors may be at risk after an unknown intruder hacked into a Development Office server Jan. 13 — the first computer security breach of its magnitude at Notre Dame, University officials said Sunday.

The data in question — possibly including Social Security numbers, credit card information and check images from donations made between Nov. 22, 2005 and Jan. 12 — pertains to a “minority” of alumni donors and friends of the University, said Hilary Crnkovich, vice president of Public Affairs and Communication. She declined to provide a specific estimate of the number of donors affected.

“We’re not comfortable quantifying it,” Crnkovich said Sunday. “We have no facts or quantification that people were compromised.”

The intrusion was not initiated from an on-campus location, Crnkovich said, but its source is still a mystery. “We just really don’t know,” she said.

Gordon Wishon, chief information officer for the Office of Information Technologies, said the University is working with two independent forensics firms to determine the source of the intrusion and expects to receive results in several days. The analysis will “examine the contents of the server, look at the log and a variety of data to help describe the nature of the intrusion and the intent of the intruder,” Wishon said.

However, the investigation may be unable to pinpoint the intruder’s exact location, especially if the site was overseas or several relay sites were involved, Wishon said. And it’s also unclear whether or not the University will know what information, if any, was viewed. “It may be that we’ll never find out exactly what was exposed or taken,” Wishon said.

Both Crnkovich and Wishon said it was possible the purpose of the intrusion was for file-sharing purposes, designed to obtain server space rather than personal information. See SECURITY/page 3

Saint Mary’s event celebrates College history

Presidential lecture kicks off Heritage Week

By MOLLY LAMPING

College President Carol Ann Mooney will start the week with a lecture in Carroll Auditorium at 7 p.m. tonight. She will speak about the time she spent in Le Mans, France, the city from which the Sisters of the Holy Cross emigrated.

“This should be really interesting for students to see the roots of Saint Mary’s and the history of Sisters of the Holy Cross,” Mitros said.

There will be a scavenger hunt held from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday. Teams of two to six people will run all over campus to search for the answers to 20 ques-

Transition to ND tough for abroad students

Returnees nostalgic for former host countries

By JOE TROMBELLO

Editor’s Note: This is the second article in a two-part series exploring how students make the transition back to Notre Dame from studying abroad.

For Notre Dame students returning from abroad, the transition back to South Bend from urban, culturally exciting cities like London often leaves them nostalgic for their host countries.

“I liked just about everything better about London,” said Molly Corcoran, a junior from Howard. “There was always something to do, but the people were laid back. We find everyone saying we wish we were back there.”

Since Corcoran has lived in the United States all her life, she said it was not especially difficult to re-adjust to living in America. However, she said one difference was that “driving and traffic take so much more time” than she spent in London, where students regularly walk or take public transportation.

For Corcoran, getting re-acclimated to Notre Dame’s partisanship policy has also been difficult. “The partisanship, that’s a new thing. We never had that in our old schools,” Corcoran said.

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We were thrilled,” ACE director John Staud said. “I wasn’t surprised because we felt all along our relationship with AmeriCorps was legal and just — but you never know.”

Founding in 1992 by Father Timothy Scully, ACE is a two-year teacher training program that places participating in disadvantaged schools throughout the United States. The participants return to the University during the summer months to earn master’s degrees in education.

In addition to the roughly $11,000 per year ACE teachers earn from their schools, most apply for and receive two annual $4,725 education vouchers through the federal service pro-

INSIDE COLUMN

Digital deceptions

Digital cameras are the technological innovations that have been replacing film cameras in the past few years, and they are the embodiment today's society that years for instant gratification. With the push of a button and a flash of light, an image can be captured in time and instantly seen on a small screen on the camera. Just as quickly as a picture can appear, though, it can be deleted and that moment is then lost forever. There is a sense of wonder about where that image goes as it disappears into thin air, as time does every second, but the greatest sense of wonder about digital cameras is the effect that they will have on the future's perception of today's society. The ability to only print the pictures one chooses could leave the future with a false impression of the past. People are only having the pictures printed that they believe best represent themselves, and most of the classic pictures of someone with his or her eyes closed, someone making a funny face, or a baby crying are being deleted.

The fact is, though, that those pictures are greater representations of real life than pictures that are of all smiles because life is filled with more emotions than happiness. One tends to want people to believe that he or she is happy, so even if a smile in a picture is not sincere, one would rather print that picture than one where he or she was not anticipating a picture to be taken.

In film cameras, all of the pictures that are taken are permanent; they cannot be gotten rid of until they are developed, and even then, a negative still exists of that picture. With digital cameras, however, one chooses the pictures that will be printed and therefore creates an ideal image of his or her life.

When the generations of the future look back upon photos albums from today, they will see a group of seemingly flawless people who did not know sadness and fear. They will see an illusion of happiness and wish they too could feel that elation, but the future will not be able to see the deleted images that reflect true life. Not everyone, though, deletes these candid photos. Some people actually prefer these kinds of pictures in ones where everyone appears to be happy. I personally choose not to delete many of the pictures I take with my digital camera.

Over winter break when I was in Arizona for the Fiesta Bowl with my family, I took a picture of my mom just as the wind started to gust. Her hair flew straight up just as the picture was taken, and instead of deleting what some would consider this imperfect picture, I kept it. This will be a picture that people will laugh about for years to come and it shows that people's hair does get messed up and that people living in this time are not perfect.

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

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON STUDY ABDROB?

As an engineer, I'd like for it to be easier to go somewhere other than London.

Paul Hommes
freshman

Morrissey

Mike Quisao
senior

Morrissey

Mart Schoder
senior

Welsh Family

Liz Clouse
senior

Welsh

Patrick Henry
junior

off campus

Hannah Youh
junior

Lyons

"Study abroad? What's that?"

"Washington program... that's a foreign country, right?"

"I had to learn how to sleep on benches."

"Sometime around midnight this weekend."

"If I had it all over again, I'd definitely go."

Notre Dame graduate student Katie Hunt displays her hand-made jewelry in Beckers on Sunday. Hunt makes the beaded and semi-precious stone bracelets and sells them at various locations around campus.

IN BRIEF

University President Father John Jenkins will be giving his Academic Freedom and Catholic Character address and discussion for faculty today at 4:30 p.m. in Leighton Concert Hall and on Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. for students in Washington Hall.

Charismatic Renewal at Notre Dame: How It Got Started and What's Going on Now! The conference will be in Montgomery Auditorium in LaFortune Student Center at 7 p.m. today.

Saint Mary's College President Dr. Carol Mooney will talk about her recent trip to LeMans, France tonight at 7 p.m. in Carroll Auditorium.

Thornbird will play tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Saint Mary's student center lounge.

There will be a blood drive on Tuesday, Jan. 23 from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. in Rolfs Sports RecCenter. Call 631-6100 to register.

"Poetas y Pintores: Artists Conversing with Verse" art exhibit will open Friday, Jan. 27 in Moreau Art Galleries at Saint Mary's College.

Welsh Family Hall Dance presents: "Game Faces" this Friday, Jan. 27 and Saturday, Jan. 28 at Washington Hall. Tickets are $4 and can be purchased at Lafurture Box Office or at the door. Profits benefit Hannah and Friends.

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

Correction

The Observer regards itself as a professional publication and admits 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 631-4351 so we can correct our errors.
Security
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"Most commonly with inci­
dents of this type, that's what happens," Wishon said. "It's very common —
but I certainly don't know if that's the case."

The server, which is not part of the University's central data sys­
tem, was used for inter-office file sharing in the Devel­
opment Office, Wishon said.

While the serv­
er is maintained primarily by the Development Office staff, Wishon said OIT's Information Security Department collabor­
ated with the Development Office to provide security stan­
dards for the server.

OIT was involved in the detection of the intrusion, when staff noticed "anom alous changes in the system," Wishon said.

"I haven't seen anything like that in the past," he added.

"What we're doing is provid­ing recommenda­
tions and outreach to the poten­
tial group and asking them to take their own pre­cautions," Cranckovich said.

"We really feel it's prudent to give people all the resources we can. We take it seriously," he said.

Cranckovich said the Development Office had not received phone­
calls from con­
cerned donors as of Saturday night. The Office had not received e-mails, but they have all been positive, she said.

"People have been very thoughtful and said thank you for letting them know to take the steps," she said.

But other donors say they are far from thankful. Mike Coffey, a 1991 alumnus who runs the NDNation Web site and mes­sage boards that received a flurry of posts over the week­
end from concerned donors, said he was "extremely disap­pointed" after receiving e-mails informing him of the security breach.

"It seems to be a very shoddy set-up for protection of person­
al information I've provided to the school," Coffey said.

Coffey said similar security breaches have occurred at other univer­sities, including Stanford and the University of Connec­ticut. However, she said she did not know how the inci­
dents were handled by those schools.

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New Shedd exhibit by ND professors debuts
Special to The Observer

A new exhibit at Chicago's Shedd Aquarium that Notre Dame biologists helped develop brings Midwesterners face-to-face with some new — and unwelcome — neighbors: Asian carp, snakehead, gobies and other invasive species now residing in the Great Lakes.

"We are so pleased to partner with the Shedd Aquarium," said David Lodge, a Notre Dame pro­
fessor of biological sciences and the leader of the multi-university National Science Foun­
dation-funded Integrated Systems for Invasive Species (ISIS), "Our team of scientists and economists is working hard to provide under­
standing and solutions to invasive species problems. Shedd Aquarium has the unparalleled ability to show the public the won­
derful resources of the Great Lakes, to display the invasive species that so threaten those resources, and to illustrate how the public can help solve these problems. Shedd has done a won­
derful job of collaborating with us and others to turn ideas and dis­
cov­eries into a fun and effective exhibit."

Non-native species are species that humans have intro­duced out­side their normal distribution. Once these species are introduced into a new envi­
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enment, some of these species threaten valued environmental, agricul­
tural or personal resources and are termed invasive species. Scientists believe at least 170 aquatic non-native species cur­
rently live in the Great Lakes and a new species is discovered, on average, once every eight months.

"Species from elsewhere in the world, a small proportion of which are now on display at the Shedd, have transformed the Great Lakes food web from top to bottom," Lodge said. "Canada and the U.S. together spend about $16 million annually to reduce the damage done by one species, sea lamprey, on trout and salmon at the top of the food web. The bottom of the food web, in turn, suffers from round gobies, zebra mussels and many other invasive species."

And the damages are far reaching, from the shoreline pipes of power plants clogged by zebra mussels in many other lakes and rivers across the continent, as many species spread from the Great Lakes. The damages to industry from zebra mussel alone currently approach $280 million annually and are growing as zebra mussels continue to spread.

The new $140,000 permanent exhibit, located in the Shedd's Local Waters Gallery, offers visi­
tors close-up looks at such live invasive species as Asian Carp, a snakehead, round gobies, alewives and rusty crayfish, among others.

The Basilica of the Sacred Heart bell will chime at 2:45 today. Please take a moment to remember the University community's celebration of Dr. King's legacy.

University of Notre Dame

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration

Townhall Meeting

A Call for Your Voice:
The Responsibility of Every Man and Woman
Moderated by Dr. Anthony Burrow, Department of Psychology

and Ms. Reanna Ursin, Departments of English and Africana Studies

Tuesday, January 24, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Hammes Student Lounge, Coleman Morey Center

All are welcome!

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thing. People are more involved in your life here," she said.

Caroline Rycyna, a Pangborn junior who was abroad with Corcoran, said studying in London prepared her to be more independent.

"It opened up a lot of opportuni-
ties to really be on my own," she said. "I felt I got to know myself a lot better, to have my own schedule and do what I wanted.

She added that having greater per-
sonal freedom and responsibili-
ty was important. "You're closer to living close to male Notre Dame students seemed more realistic.

"I felt like we were more... it was more like a real world environment, it felt more normal," she said.

Rycyna said she misses all of the cultural opportunities available to her in London.

"London is a huge metropolis and the center of so much," she said. "In London, I could go see a play, I could go to a museum. All the opportunities culturally... it's hard not to have those."

Rycyna and Corcoran said that they have reconnect-
ed to old friends, but also made new friends, often with students frequently planning get-togethers.

"Going back from Peru was... it was very different because I didn't find very many resources to help me make the transition back to the U.S.," she said. "I didn't find a lot of info on Latin America through the University at the time, which was very frustrating, not feeling like I had people who knew what I was feeling.

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"Being down in Chiles, it was very different and I had been in Latin America before really enjoyed that experience," she said.

"A lot of the people I met, and the things I did the rea-
tually, I really wanted to explore that more in Latin America.

Donovan worked for an NGO (non-governmental organization) called COPRODEHUT while in Peru, which allowed her to work on a number of different projects, including healthcare and education.

"It's amazing how much a difference you can make in just a year," she said. "In my case, it was about health and education, and that's something I really enjoyed.

Donovan said she especially enjoyed the opportunity to work and live in Chiles. She said,

"The idea of going back [to Latin America] and seeing what I would do... it was very different, and working there, it was very appealing to me," she said, "the part of the people I was helping the part of me that is inter-
national and social.

Donovan said the transition from Peru back to America was more difficult by what she perceived as a lack of on-campus support.

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"I've already been to a few places before... it's hard not to have those."
INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Kidnapped workers to be released

LAOG, Nigeria.—Militants holding four foreign hostages in Nigeria claimed Sunday they would release the captives soon, according to a statement purportedly from the militant group.

The hostages—a man, a Briton, a Bulgarian and an Hungarian—were seized April 1 near a Shell oil field on Jan. 11 by a group that also claimed responsibility for other oil industry attacks that have caused Nigerian production by almost 10 percent.

"We promise that they will soon join their families, but we will hold the remainder of the world hostage for the release of the remaining five hostages," the South Loop group said.

The identity of the e-mail's authors could not be independently confirmed and no response was received to it. A statement came from an e-mail address known to be used by the Movement for the Emancipation of the People of the Niger Delta, which has claimed responsibility for a series of recent attacks on the country's oil industry.

Albanian leader loses cancer battle

BERAT, Albania.—Kosovo Albanian law makers, some crying, observed a minute of silence Sunday in memory of late President Ibrahim Rugova, the country's most prominent political leader.

Considered one of the most influential religious leaders in the country, the elder Schuller, 79, will continue to appear on the pulpit during Sunday services and on the church's weekly television show, "Hour of Power," which boasts a worldwide audience of 20 million.

The younger Schuller, 51, was installed as pastor of the church last fall. He succeeded his father, Robert II. Schuller, as senior pastor of the church.

Son takes over at Crystal Cathedral

GARDEN GROVE, Calif.—The staid, Cal-Times Crystal Cathedral entered a new era of leadership Sunday when Robert H. Schuller, senior pastor of the church, was installed as pastor of the church. He succeeded his father, Walter R. Schuller, as senior pastor of the church.

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Thousands of hymn-wrapping Quechua and other Indians attended, many wearing the varied styles of hair imposed on them when Bolivia was a Spanish colony hundreds of years ago. They stood beside miners, students and leftists sympathetic to the Cuban and Venezuelan flags on the cobblestone plaza outside the colonial-era Congress building.

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Morales compared decades of discrimination against Indians to apartheid, saying "Bolivia seems like South Africa," where blacks had fought the international cartels that controlled the country's coca plantations, the raw material for cocaine, but crack down on the drug. Poor Indians traditionally chew coca to combat hunger and the effects of altitude. Shannon has said increased cultivation could provide an opening for traffickers to expand.

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LOCAL NEWS

Tollway lease remains questionable

GRANGER, Ind. — Most details of the govern ment's plan to lease tolls on Indiana's 800-mile highway system to a private firm to help fund major highway projects remain unclear as lawmakers face a Feb. 2 deadline to act on Gov. Mitch Daniels' plan to lease the Indiana Toll Road.

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Morales wins Bolivian election

LA PAZ — Evo Morales, Bolivia's first Indian president, sought Sunday to build on his promise to lift his nation's struggling, indigenous minority out of centuries of poverty and discrimination.

Morales, a former leader of Bolivia's coca growers and a fierce critic of U.S. policies, raised a fist in a leftist salute as he swore to uphold the constitution.

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Natural gas pipelines sabotaged

TBILISI — Explosions blamed on sabotage hit a pipeline running through southern Russia early Sunday, cutting the supply of natural gas to the Caucasus countries of Georgia and Armenia during a cold snap.

Georgia President Mikhail Saakashvili said the blasts were aimed at destabilizing the mountain country. The Russian Foreign Ministry said Saakashvili's comments "cannot be seen as other than hysteria." Russia's TV network showed footage of twisted and smoking pipelines in a mountain pass in the Russian republic of North Ossetia, which borders the separatist Georgian region of South Ossetia.

Also Sunday, an explosion knocked out an electricity transmission tower in Russia, interrupting electricity supplies to Georgia.

The Emergency Situations Ministry said the cause of that blast had not been determined.

Georgia and Armenia tapped into reserves to keep gas flowing during subfreezing weather, and Russia's electricity monopoly said it was rerouting power to Georgia. There were no immediate reports of deaths or widespread suffering in the two impoverished Caucasus countries.

THE WORLD & NATION

Compiled from the Observer's wire services

Monday, January 23, 2006

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, left, raises the hand of new Bolivian President Evo Morales, as they stand on the balcony of the presidential palace in La Paz, Bolivia.
U.S. Navy seizes pirate ship, crew

26 men detained for questioning off coast of Somalia by USS Churchill

Associated Press

DUBAI — U.S. sailors boarded a suspected pirate ship in the Indian Ocean and detained 26 men for questioning, the Navy said Sunday.

The 16 Indians and 10 Somali men were aboard a traditional dhow that was chased and seized Saturday by the U.S. guided-missile destroyer USS Winston S. Churchill, said Lt. Leslie Hall-Blyde of U.S. Naval Forces Central Command in Bahrain.

The dhow stopped 54 miles off the coast of Somalia after the Churchill fired warning shots, the Navy said. U.S. sailors boarded the ship and seized a cache of small arms.

Sailors aboard the dhow told Navy investigators that pirates hijacked their vessel six days ago near Mogadishu and used it to stage attacks on merchant ships.

The crew and passengers were being questioned aboard the Churchill Sunday to determine which were pirates and which were legitimate crew members, Hall-Blyde said.

The Churchill is part of a multinational task force patrolling the western Indian Ocean and Horn of Africa region to thwart terrorist activity and other lawlessness during the U.S.-led war in Iraq.

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**IN BRIEF**

Mad cow fears hurt trade with Japan

WASHINGTON — Japan halted all shipments of U.S. beef because of mad cow fears Friday, threatening millions of dollars in American exports and sending officials scrambling to repair delicate trade relations.

The problem: discovery of a mad cow disease risk, Asian countries say — a step-up of a shipment of veal from a plant in New Mexico.

United Airlines gets out of the red

CHICAGO — United Airlines got a judge’s final approval Friday to leave bankruptcy after a record three-year stay — a smaller and more efficient carrier than when it began its ordeal, but challenged more than ever by near-record fuel costs.

Ford focuses on closing plants

WASHINGTON — Ford said earlier this month at the Detroit-Windsor auto show that it would close plants and cut jobs. The company has been hit by falling sales of sport-utility vehicles.

**Changing views of immigrants**

Day laborers are actually family men who are involved with their communities

LOS ANGELES — The immigrant day laborers who work for wait on street corners across the United States are family men, the author of this book says.

The author, who attended church regularly, and the people who hire them are more likely to be individual homeowners than construction contractors.

They are first nationwide study of day laborers also found that one in five has been injured on the job.

The study, the most detailed snapshot to date of the mostly Hispanic and often undocumented immigrants who’ve become a focal point in the immigration debate, was based on interviews of 2,660 workers at 264 hiring sites in 20 states and the District of Columbia.

The authors said they were surprised by the level of community involvement among men often thought of as the poor.

“The day labor sector is not as disconnected from society as people think. It’s seen as a shadow economy, but they’re not really not the case,” professor Nik Theodore of the University of Illinois at Chicago, one of three study authors.

The other two are from the University of California, Los Angeles, and New York’s New School University.

Standing outside a Home Depot store in suburban Burbank on Sunday, year-old Raul Sanchez said that when he’s not working, or waiting for work, he’s involved in a church and trying to start a soccer league for fellow day laborers.

The negative image of Mexico has been in the United States seven years and lives with workers and their children, ages 13 and 14.

Sometimes he worries about small work sites with little safety equipment.

“We know nobody is going to help us out if we get hurt,” Sanchez said.

“There are risks, but what are we going to do — not work?”

As often as not, a day laborer’s employer will be an individual rather than a labor contractor.

Forty-nine percent of respondents said they were regularly hired by home owners for everything from carpentry to gardening, with 43 percent getting jobs from construction contractors.

Two-thirds said they are hired repeatedly by the same employer.

Based on their interviews and counts at each hiring site, the researchers estimate there are about 117,600 day laborers nationwide, but say that number is probably low.

They said it would be impossible to count the number of hiring sites nationwide, since some spring up spontaneously.

Among the other findings based on the interviews conducted in July and August 2004:

- Three-fourths were illegal immigrants and most were Hispanic: 59 percent were from Mexico and 28 percent from other Central American countries.

- Just over half said they attended church regularly, 22 percent reported being involved in sports clubs and 26 percent said they participated in community centers.

- Nearly two-thirds had children, 36 percent were married and seven percent lived with a partner.

- More than 80 percent rely on day labor as their sole source of income, earning close to the 2002 federal poverty guideline of $12,890 for a family of two.

- Of the 20 percent who reported on-the-job injuries, more than half said they received no medical care because they couldn’t afford it or their employer refused to cover them.

Cesar Martinez, 45, another of the people wait ing for work at the Home Depot in Burbank, is a Guatemalan native who has been in the United States 15 years without legal documentation. He said he sends $300 to $500 home every month to support his six children, ages 2 to 14, but that sometimes an employer rips him off.

**Ford announces cuts and closings**


Ford has been hit by falling sales of sport-utility vehicles.

Earlier this month, Missouri Gov. Matt Blunt and other state officials flew to Ford’s headquarters in Dearborn for a meeting with Ford executives.

Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm said she outlined a package of incentives to Ford last week.

Granholm wouldn’t disclose the details of the package and said she wasn’t given any assurance that Michigan plants would be spared.

Ford is expected to report a worldwide profit for 2005 when it releases earnings Monday. But it lost more than $1.4 billion in its North American operations in the first nine months of last year.

The No. 2 U.S. automaker has been hurt by falling sales of its profitable sport-utility vehicles, growing health care and materials costs and labor contracts that have limited its ability to close plants and cut jobs.

The United Auto Workers union will have to agree to some of the changes Ford wants to make.

Associated Press

Protestors opposed to illegal immigration face off with counter-demonstrators. Protesters began after municipalities began building sites where day laborers wait for work.
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Reviving an 'impotent' party

As President George W. Bush enters his sixth year in office, the time has come for a full-scale revitalization of the Democratic Party.

Six years have, after all, been the historic breaking point for many of the most successful two-term presidents of the last century. Former president Franklin Roosevelt, for instance, suffered a significant decline in public approval for his New Deal policies after attempting to pack the Supreme Court with supporters at a time when the Depression continued to ravage much of middle America. That year, the Democrats lost 71 seats in the House midterm elections. In his former president Richard Nixon's sixth year, the Watergate investigation resulted in the first ever presidential resignation and cost the Republican Party 48 seats in the ensuing House elections. Similarly, former president Ronald Reagan's sixth-year involvement in the Iran-contra scandal and former president Bill Clinton's sixth-year Monica Lewinsky impeachment woes carried on the tradition of unlucky number six at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

Now, with the fallout from the Jack Abramoff scandal sending shockwaves throughout the GOP in Congress and Bush taking heat for his unwarranted authorization of domestic spying at the National Security Agency, this pattern of sixth-year setbacks shows no signs of slowing.

As a result, the Democrats owe it to their supporters to quit acting spineless and start standing up for the principles which form the backbone of the party. In just past week alone, Maureen Dowd, the infamous op-ed columnist for The New York Times, and syndicated columnist Molly Ivins both called out their own party to man up and fight for the future of this country. In Dowd's incomparable words, "If the Democrats are like the dithering 'Desperate Housewives,' the Republicans have come across like the counterterrorism agent Jack Bauer on '24': fast with a gun, loose with the law, willing to torture in the name of protecting the nation. ... The Democrats' chronic impotence led to the Republicans' reign of incompetence."

Sadly, Dowd may have been a little too generous in equating her party with the conniving, calculating, ruthless she-devils of ABC's hit show. In reality, Democrats today are about as ruthless as "Dora the Explorer." Now, with Bush wallowing in the inevitable misery of his sixth year in office, the Democratic Party must turn to 2008 not in the hopes of finding a centrist presidential candidate, who will appease the stubborn voters of the South, but to a nominee who will wake up the echoes of Democratic values and ideals. And that was not a reference to Hillary Clinton.

While the former First Lady did prove that she has the balls to take on the Republican leadership in Congress — even to go so far as to admit that the House of Representatives is "run like a plantation" — she will inevitably go the route of her husband and present herself as a centrist (and therefore likely the biggest foreign policy hawk on the '08 primary ballot).

Similarly, the last thing that the Democrats need is a right-leaning, moderate candidate like Indiana Senator Evan Bayh (who seems to share the views of the GOP on issues like gay marriage and school prayer) or former Virginia Governor Mark Warner (whose views on gun control are on par with Charlton Heston's). Sure, political analysts agree that a candidate with appeal to southern conservatives will have the most success in the general election, but what's the point of having a two-party system if both parties cater to the same group of people? If Mark Warner squares off against a moderate like Rudy Giuliani in '08, liberal Democrats might come to the realization that their views would be better represented in the White House under the leadership of the Republican candidate, and that's when all hell will really break loose.

Although most panlists and experts would undoubtedly disagree, the real answer for the Democrats is to pull an Emeril in 2008 — throw a little spice into the simmering pot of Washington politics and kick things up a notch. They could stand behind a true liberal like Wisconsin senator Russ Feingold (of campaign finance reform fame) who actually did vote against the Iraq War and who would put some effort into dismantling Bush's irresponsible budget deficit. They could also buck an African-American who has the desire to clean up the lobbying and campaign finance system, an anthem for the debt ceiling, and a demagogue's ability to fire up an audience — Illinois Senator Barack Obama. (Not to mention his name is Swallii for "One who is blessed by God," and divine endorsement seemed to do the trick for President Bush in 2004.)

If Dowd is correct in her evaluation that the Democratic Party is suffering from a case of "chronic impotence," then either she or the party will have to go so far as to admit that the Democratic Party must turn to 2008 with a more rambunctious party to fight for the future of this country. In Dowd's incomparable words, "If the Democrats are like the dithering 'Desperate Housewives,' the Republicans have come across like the counterterrorism agent Jack Bauer on '24': fast with a gun, loose with the law, willing to torture in the name of protecting the nation. ... The Democrats' chronic impotence led to the Republicans' reign of incompetence."
Capital punishment ill-justified

...to the recent statement of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe, the Organisation which is the guardian of the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, I urge the government to promote a greater respect for liberal democracy and the rule of law in Europe..." As a friend of the United States of America, I look forward to the day this great country will leave the axis of capital punishment. If my argument is not compelling enough, the American public should compare the murder rate in states which keep the death penalty and states which have abolished it. Then they would realize that executing people is not only inhumane, it does not work as a way of reducing the number of murders.

Mary Ann Hennessy-Gopaul
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Semantics or subservience?

On Thursday, Senator Leahy declared that Democrats "have been tricked" by Judge Alito. In the New York Times editorial page, which has opposed Alito since he was nominated, summed up the trouble by concluding: "Judge Alito subscribes to views of capital punishment and social solidarity. He might disagree with Judge Alito, if I find that troubling," and left the argument at that. Try proferring a thesis statement that says the same, and see what kind of grade you receive.

Kennedy complained that the hearings "were "turned into a political campaign," and he suspected that "the American people walk away more confused." If that's true, then we're in exactly the same position as Kennedy; "confused" has a meaning that's similar to "troubled." The great irony came after Feinstein, who is the most vocal pro-choice senator on the Judiciary Committee, remarked that, although she might disagree with Judge Alito, that doesn't mean that he should not be confirmed. Kate Michelman, the former president of Naral Pro-Choice America, said of Feinstein's comment: "It's very disturbing." I'm sure that it was troubling to Kate Michelman.

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**SHOW REVIEW**

**Russian National Ballet wakes up ‘Sleeping Beauty’**

By BRIAN DOXTADER

The Russian National Ballet Company performed an event-filled season at the Morris Performing Arts Center on Saturday. The Russian National Ballet, founded by Artistic Director Sergei Radchenko, is a world-renowned organization. It has toured throughout Europe, Asia and the United States. Radchenko was the principal dancer of the Bolshoi Ballet before starting the Russian National Ballet.

The performers brought a sweeping grace and beauty to the classic story, set against the timeless music of Tchaikovsky and the choreography of Marius Petipa. It opens with a long, expressive prologue that lays out the plot which is familiar to anyone who’s seen the Disney film. An evil witch casts a spell on a princess thatdooms her to death on her sixteenth birthday, but a counter-spell by a good fairy saves her until a prince comes to her rescue.

The final act, a wedding scene in which the story is essentially jettisoned, features dances by Puss n’ Boots, Bluebeard and his wife, Goldilocks and a Bear, and Little Red Riding Hood and the Wolf.

Like many musical events, the plot itself is just window dressing for the spectacle of the dancing, which was spectacular and impressive. All of the dancers were quite good, and an ensemble performance was enthralling, but it was the solo and duet dances that were most effective. Each of the leads — Princess Aurora, Prince Desire and the Fairy of Liluc — had segments that were wonderfully conceived and executed. Prince Desire, in particular, demonstrated an athletic grace as he jumped and twirled for the just-awoken Princess Aurora.

Among the other highlights were the interplay between Blasbeard and his wife and Aurora’s solo in the first Act, and much of the dances by the Fairy of Liluc, who brought a lilith grace to her role.

The story was outlined in the program, which is good, because it is nearly incomprehensible as presented. Plot wasn’t really the point of the ballet, however, as most of the dancing was spectacle (divertissements). The last act in the particular abandoned pretense in favor of a progression of increasingly lavish and acrobatic dances.

The costumes ranged from plain to surprisingly ornate. The most striking was the evil witch, whose hunched-over posture and rat-masked entrourage was a highlight of the show. However, much of the costuming for the principal singers was more practical than decorative, which neither added nor detracted from the dancing. The set, which appeared hand-painted, was well-done and added to the atmosphere. The music was canned rather than original, the real only disappointment in an otherwise impressive show. Still, the compromise was understandable, as the real draw of the ballet was the dancing rather than the music — though Tchaikovsky’s score is sufficiently famous and was later recycled for the Disney version. While it’s not quite as famous as some of his other compositions (“The Nutcracker Suite,” “The 1812 Overture,” “Romeo and Juliet”), the score for “The Sleeping Beauty” is equally memorable and engaging.

By MICHELLE FORDICE

The Russian National Ballet performs ‘Sleeping Beauty’ to Tchaikovsky’s score. The group added twists to the classic ballet with new characters and dances.

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The Russian National Ballet Company is justifiably one of the most famous in the world, and their performance of "The Sleeping Beauty," combined with Tchaikovsky’s music and Petipa’s choreography, made it an oft-breathtaking show and a prime exhibition of classical ballet.

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**MOVIE REVIEW**

‘Underworld: Evolution’ suffers from stagnation

By MICHELLE FORDICE

‘Underworld: Evolution’ follows the long war between the vampires and the lycans. Selene (Kate Beckinsale) is on the run after killing a vampire elder.

As the war between vampires and lycans (werewolves) that was introduced in the first movie continues on through the centuries, Selene (Kate Beckinsale) and Michael (Scott Speedman) are on the run after killing a vampire elder in the first film.

As the movie progresses, the lineup of vampires and lycans is slowly revealed. The two races sprang from a human pair, David and Selene’s great-grandparents, who were bitten by a bat and William (Liam Neeson), who was bitten by a wolf.

Ahh, love and literature. Marcus pursues Selene and Michael. He wants to release his brother who had been imprisoned centuries ago for wreaking havoc on the world. Marcus also has a strange interest in the pendant that Michael took from the lycan Lucian in “Underworld” and in Selene’s memories, which he can extract merely by tasting her blood.

Unfortunately, much of this plot, already filled with holes and struggling to remain logically comprehensible, gets lost in the onslaught of the film’s action sequences. Fans of the first “Underworld” will be disappointed, since while its plot may have been somewhat limited, it was much more direct and understandable.

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Furthermore, advancing the plot in “Underworld: Evolution” requires almost constant exposition, which often enough consists of the characters looking into the camera and talking, often accompanied by another flashback montage. From the first opening scroll to the last voiceover, the audience needs to have the plot dictated to them in order to have any chance of perceiving what is happening in the film.

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Belles lose in tough game with rival Adrian

After trailing by as many as 23 points in the first half, Saint Mary's comes up just short in second-half comeback

By TIM KAISER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's fell to 7-11 overall on Saturday night with a heartbreaking loss to MIAA rival Adrian. The Bulldogs escaped with a 57-52 win when Alison Kessler's half-court shot missed at the buzzer.

Down in the final minutes, the Belles were forced to foul, but after a few missed shots by Adrian, they cut the deficit to one and had a chance to take the lead. They stole the ball from Adrian, but a Bell pass landed out of bounds, setting up a missed one-and-one for the Bulldogs which led to Kessler's desperation heave.

"I believe our narrow defeat was almost an amazing come-back. They found themselves down 32-9 with just over two minutes left to go in the first half, but went on a 9-0 run before the half to cut the Bulldogs' lead to just 32-18. Saint Mary's fought its way back to 50-49 with just over two minutes left in the second, but were never able to take the lead. With the loss, the Belles dropped to 3-4 in conference play, but remained in fourth place in the MIAA.

The Belles were also playing hampered by injuries, as they were without point guard Bridget Lipke, who sprained her ankle in last Wednesday's win over Albion, and were missing Bridget Boyce for much of the first half after a bizarre collision with a referee, which injured her ankle and left her clearly hobbled when she returned in the second half.

At the half, Belles coach Steve Bender rallied his team, which triggered its second half comeback. "Things were not looking very good," Bender said. "I thought we had a lot of work to do and they were clearly putting it all together. They didn't seem very intense, maybe it was a physical and mental hangover from the effort we expended playing Albion.

We were down 21, and we tried to get fooled and stop the clock, and it worked. We had an effect with 20 seconds left, and an errant pass went out of bounds.

It was a great comeback, the girls gave great efforts, great to see them (keep trying) for as long as they did. Despite the disappointing loss, Bender said his team showed him a lot of good things. "We fought off adversity," he said. "We were without Lipke, there were a lot of girls having to adjust to new positions. It's great to see we're not giving up, not quitting, finding ways to hang in there. Erin Physolf and Alison Kessler, really gave us some heart in the second half."

"Mental toughness," Bender replied when asked what the Belles need to improve on. "We need to be improving mentally and physically ready to start games. We can't get behind early."

The Belles have seven regular-season games remaining, all rematches against MIAA teams. "We've got some teams that spanked us pretty bad and we're excited to play them again, and teams we beat, we beat hard," Bender said. "Our league is tough. We're going to be tested. We're going to lose, and we have to learn that."

First up is Alma, who the Belles beat 74-68 earlier in the season.

"We'll see how we are physically tomorrow," Bender said of his team's injury woes. "The main things are we're trying to be at our sharpest, have two good practices. Alma is a great offensive team, a team on the rise, a real veteran team. I think we caught them by surprise (the last time we played). We have to get tough and find a way to win."

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Irish rack up twelve victories in home opener

Ogbuokiri qualifies for NCAA championships in 400 meters while the team gears for next week's ND Invitational

By JORDAN BELTZ
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame track and field squad opened up the 2006 home season with astellar performance Friday evening at Loftus. It was good warm-up for the rest of the season, with regional competition from Western Michigan, Butler and Loyola Chicago among others. The meet was highlighted by 12 victories, including another NCAA qualification, this time by Oketbi Ogbuokiri.

Ogbuokiri turned in best performance of the evening for the Irish. The New Jersey native finished the 400 meters with a time of 54.14, just under her personal 54.03. The 54.00 is good enough to provisionally qualify Ogbuokiri for the NCAA indoor championships, to be held in March.

Ogbuokiri wasn't the only Irish sprinter to make an impact on the meet. Fellow junior Maryann Erigha took home top honors in the 200 meters, turning in a time of 24.19 seconds. Ogbuokiri was...
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**NLF**

**DENVER —** The most famous road trip since "Animal House" rocks on.

Big Ben, The Bus and all those Terrible Towels will make the next stop on their wildly successful road trip at the Super Bowl in Detroit, thanks to a 34-17 dismantling of the Denver Broncos on Sunday in the AFC title game.

"We were sitting, looking at an outside shot to be in the Super Bowl," Steelers linebacker Clark Haggans said. "This is an unbelievable feeling to be here right now." Unbelievable and almost unprecedented. Led by 275 yards and two passing touchdowns from Ben Roethlisberger and a touchdown by Jerome Bettis, the Steelers became the first team since the 1985 Patriots to win three road games en route to the Super Bowl. Counting the regular season, they've played five of their final six away from Pittsburgh.

And while there's to John "Bluto" Blutarsky, Big Ben, The Bus and all those characters of its own. There's Bettis, The Bus, who stuck around for a 13th year.

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**In Brief**

**Kubiak to become Texans' head coach**

**HOUSTON —** The Houston Texans will hire Denver offensive coordinator Gary Kubiak to take over the worst team in the league and help decide what to do with the first pick in the draft.

Texans owner Bob McNair said during a news conference Sunday that the hiring won't be completed until later in the week.

The Texans couldn't negotiate a contract with Kubiak until the Broncos were eliminated from the playoffs.

McNair's announcement came about an hour after Denver lost to Pittsburgh in the AFC championship game.

"Hopefully we'll have him down here by the middle of the week and he will then be assembling a staff," McNair said.

McNair said he planned to speak with Kubiak later Sunday.

**Roddick fails to reach Aussie Open quarterfinal**

**MELBOURNE, Australia —** Andy Roddick thought he'd get it right at the Australian Open. Stung by a first-round exit at the U.S. Open last August, Roddick skipped the Masters Cup in November and two tournaments Sunday to outlast Scott Verplank and 2000 Hope champion Parnevik.

Montenegrin Andy Roddick, 27, defeated No. 7 Ivan Ljubicic of Croatia 6-4, 6-3, 6-4 in the Grand Slam quarterfinal for the first time, where No. 7 Ivan Ljubicic awaits.

When one return winner zipped by Roddick to close out the third set, Roddick turned to the crowd and asked: "What can I do?"

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**Campbell wins Bob Hope Chrysler Classic**

**PALM DESERT, Calif. —** Chad Campbell shot a scrambling 71 Sunday to outlast Scott Verplank and Jesper Parnevik and win the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic.

Campbell's 1-under closing round put him at 25-under 335, three shots in front of Verplank and 2000 Hope champion Parnevik.

Verplank, one stroke off Campbell's lead to start the day, had a 73 and Parnevik made a charge with a 67 during a round when gusty wind made the new Classic Course at Northstar tricky at times. John Huston finished fourth with a 68 and 339 total.

Former Hope winners Phil Mickelson and Mike Weir tied for fifth with John Senden. It was the defense that really carried the Seahawks.

**Around the Dial**

**2006 Australian Open, 2 p.m. EST**

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Irish take care of business in season opener

Notre Dame prepares for No. 1-ranked Virginia after defeating Northwestern in convincing fashion this weekend

By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

After a stellar fall season, the Irish began the dual-match season with a resounding 6-1 win over Northwestern Saturday. No. 26 Notre Dame improved to 1-0 going into Friday's match against No. 1 Virginia, with strong play in both doubles and singles.

"It's always good to start with a win, and Northwestern was a team that in our last couple of year we've had close matches with," coach Bobby Bayliss said. "We were certainly prepared for a close one. The doubles point was pretty hotly contested and we eeked it out by the narrowest of margins at No. 3."

Despite an upset of No. 1 doubles team Ryan Keckley and Eric Langenkamp — which debuted at No. 12 in the national rankings — the Irish started the dual-match season with a win over a quality opponent.

"It came down with a win," Bayliss said. "I really respected the poise and the presence that he showed, he didn't get rattled and was able to come up with a plan that seemed to work."

For a guy making his debut Brett Helgeson was absolutely flawless in his first set," Bayliss said.

"When Patrick [Buchanan] and Eric [Langenkamp] were freshmen, Northwestern beat us 4-3, and the last two years we won 5-2 matches that were very close. Now to beat them a little more decisively reaffirms that we're a little better and that some of our guys have made big strides, and hopefully we're ready to take it to another level."

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Academic Freedom and Catholic Character Address and Discussion

By Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C.

Please plan to join Fr. Jenkins for his address to the Notre Dame community on the issue of academic freedom and our Catholic character. A period of questions and comments will follow.

Faculty: Monday, January 23, 2006, at 4:30 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall, DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Students: Tuesday, January 24, 2006, at 12:30 p.m. in Washington Hall.
**ND Women's Swimming**

Irish cruise to win over Spartans

By GREG ARBOGAST

Sports Writer

With its 156-147 victory over Michigan State this past Saturday, the Notre Dame women's swimming and diving team returns home with its sixth consecutive first place finish, leaving the state of Michigan in its wake.

After defeating Michigan two weekends ago, the Irish used this weekend's meet against a less talented Michigan State team to allow their swimmers the opportunity to compete in events the swimmers don't normally swim. "Swimming in off-events is a mental break for the kids," head coach Carrie Nixon said. "It's a mental break for the kids," head coach Carrie Nixon said. "It's a mental break for the kids."

Nixon cited a couple of reasons for her team's stellar performance in the past six meets. "We're certainly swimming with a lot of confidence right now," she said. "But I also think the girls are swimming well because they know the end is near and it's crunch time. I think our performance lately has been a combination of those two things."

The Irish faced the Louisville Cardinals this weekend in their final meet before the Big East conference championship.

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**Men's Swimming**

Busy swimmers win one, lose one

After dropping a meet to Northwestern on Friday, Irish bounce back at Cleveland State

By JACK THORNTON

Sports Writer

The men's swimming team came out of arguably its toughest weekend of the regular season with its pride wounded, but stronger for the experience. Notre Dame, barely removed from a two-week training trip and three sessions of racing last weekend, traveled to Evanston, Ill. on Friday for a matchup against No. 16 Northwestern. The perennially stellar Wildcats trumped the Irish 126-93, handing them their second dual meet loss of the season.

"It wasn't so much disappointing that they beat us, but it was disappointing that we didn't swim as well as a team as we could have," co-captain Patrick Heffernan said. "They're a good team. We knew it'd be tough to go there, but we were tired going into the meet and didn't perform as well as we could." The meet was Northwestern's sixth consecutive victory over Notre Dame. The two squads faced each other Jan. 14 and 15 in the 20th Annual Dallas Morning News Classic. The Irish placed fifth out of six in the prestigious event, while the Wildcats took second.

Assistant coach Matt Tallman went with nine members of the team to the meet in Dallas while head coach Tim Welsh directed the rest of the squad in a 163-73 dual meet win over Evansville.

"We're still pretty heat up; we had a couple good races early and Northwestern is a team, nationally, that for a couple years has been ahead of us," Tallman said. The win wasn't about to leave the Land of Lincoln without doing some damage. Notre Dame's Jay Vandenberg continued his long-distance dominance by earning first in the 1,000-yard freestyle, while teammates Patrick Davis and Jay Hooper took second and third. Tim Kegelman grabbed the top spot in the 100 butterfly and Irish divers Michael Bultin and Sam Stoner went 1-2 in both the one-meter and three-meter events.

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Belles drop final home meet to Lady Hornets

BECKI DORNER

The Lady Hornets of Kalamazoo beat St. Mary’s 72-70 Sunday night.

Despite their loss to the Lady Hornets, the Belles are optimistic about the following weekend's MIAA Championships. "We train for the weeks ahead, coach Lynn Karchmarch plans to train the Belles in two tracks, and their best possible condition will be achieved. We will begin our taper (rest) period of training, focusing on being in the best possible yardage, more fast swimming to get ready for MIAA," she said.

NYU

Sugimoto registered victories over Alissa Menedez, Samantha Bautista followed, then won in both singles and doubles against Kostka. Two-time NCAA champion Bob Ellis collected three 5-0 victories over the Irish foilists.

Chamberlain scored 100 points for Philadelphia against the New York Red Bulls March 2, 1861. His second-high- est total was 78 against the Boston Americans on March 8, 1861. Bryant was pretty familiar with how the league operated. However, the coaches could not continue their momentum against No. 3 Columbia, dropping the game 4-3 with third-period heroics.

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to get his gear ready and replace starter David Brown in net.

The Irish, who last played in the NCAA tournament a season ago, were Western Michigan and had not notched a win since Nov. 10 against Ohio University. All 14 shots faced as Notre Dame fought back to win the game 4-3 with 3-second-period heroics.

"You always gatta in the back of your mind, you never know what’s going to happen," Pearce said regarding the team’s mindset. "But when you go in there you just kind of help your team step the bleeding and see where it goes from there. Just give the team a chance to get back in it to give them hope."

The Irish team that emerged from the Jackson-induced time-out did not take long to reduce the deficit. Senior Mike Walsh deflected a shot from Erik Condra into the net at 12:36 to put the game at 3-2. Pearce deflected five Wildcat shots to close out the second period.

The Irish outshot the Wildcats 25-16, but in the third period Northern Michigan scored the fatal blow as the Irish would make a couple of mistakes. See what you never know what’s going to happen in the second period goals after the Irish were left out on top, 3-1. Northern Michigan attacked to complete his hat trick, and the final score was 5-1. Tim Wallace scored first at 10:13 of the first period from a sharp pass by Condra, Northern Michigan then went on a goal-less tear to take the 3-1 lead with a goal by Darn Olve in the first and by Andy Lentz in the second.

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the men-down situation to preserve the lead and complete his half-game shutdown with 14 saves.

The come-from-behind victory marks the first time this season Notre Dame has won a game after trailing as late as the third period, a 0-13-0 streak. "When you want something bad enough it’s obvious we wanted to come back and win," the Irish scored first in the game when Mark Van Gulder scored on the power play at 13:18 of the third period from a sharp pass by Condra. Northern Michigan then went on a goal-less tear to take the 3-1 lead with a goal by Darn Olve in the first and by Andy Lentz in the second.

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The Irish team that emerged from the Jackson-induced time-out did not take long to reduce the deficit. Senior Mike Walsh deflected a shot from Erik Condra into the net at 12:36 to put the game at 3-2. Pearce deflected five Wildcat shots to close out the second period.

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Novak led all scorers with 28 points on 11-of-18 shooting. He was 6-of-10 from 3-point range.

Notre Dame took the lead with 2:46 left in the second half when Chris Quinn made a layup and got fouled on the shot. The senior guard made the free throw and pushed the lead to 65-63.

But the Irish did not score in the remaining minutes, failing to capitalize on key chances down the stretch. "You would like to keep walk through the possessions where we had the ball up two, we had some offensive possessions there," Brey said. "We were 0-for-10 with none of those on you don't have to absorb (Novak's game-winner) as an act of God."  

Marquette guard Dominic James drove to the basket and hit a game-tying lay-up with 45.9 seconds remaining to cut the lead to 66-63. The freshman guard scored 11 points on 4-of-10 shooting.

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**Win**

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A&M Force ROTC Aggies soared over West Virginia Air Force ROTC Mountain Hogs in a 58-30 rout. The Aggies stifled West Virginia's co-tournament MVPs Anderson and Montaglia with tight half-court defensive pressure, forcing turnovers and converting them into points.

Though the Flying Irish Basketball Invitational is the largest ROTC gathering for an athletic event in the country — only mandatory ROTC field training draws more cadets and midshipmen for any event drawing schools from San Diego State to Virginia Tech, this weekend was Texas A&M's first appearance in the tournament.

Michael Wied, who led the Aggies with 15 points, including eight straight that broke the game open with a 34-13 halftime lead, was held by his first visit to Notre Dame. "It was amazing," Wied said. "We all walked around campus (Saturday) for the first time. And the competition is great."

Two-time defending champion Notre Dame Air Force ROTC A Team replaced four starters from last year's team and went 2-1 in its first three games.

However, they lost their first bracket play match up with the eventual champion Aggies. The Notre Dame Navy/USMC men's A team, led by MVP runner-up Lincoln University of Iowa senior Michael Wied, 88-80.

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**Notes:**

- For the second consecutive game, McAlarney logged 30-plus minutes. He played 30 minutes in Notre Dame's win over Providence and 36 minutes against Marquette.

"You put Kyle McAlarney in the game and he breaks the game open," Brey said. "You ride what's going good."

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**Coffee and Conversation**

For Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning Students at Notre Dame

Tuesday, January 24th

7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

316 Coleman-Morse

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs invites gay, lesbian, and bisexual members of the Notre Dame family, their friends, and supporters to an informal coffee at the Co-Mo.

Everyone is welcome and confidentiality is assured.

"Coffee and refreshments will be served"
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"I thought we played well defensively the first 30 minutes. But that is how fencing goes. If we fence well during the bout," Jakub Kubik added. "It could have been 6-foot-10 Novak's fadeaway. I had some trouble hitting."  

By BOBBY GRIFFIN

Hockey

Icers win thrilling 4-3 game

By KYLE CASSILY

A month removed from the last time he manned the pipes in a game and two months since his last win, Irish goalie Jordan Pearce came off the bench to spur on the Irish in a comeback Notre Dame victory. 

After the Irish fell behind 3-1 at the 13:24 mark of the second period in Saturday's matchup with Northern Michigan, Irish head coach Jeff Jackson called a time out for his team to regain its composure and to make a personnel change. Jackson ordered Pearce back in action.

Center Erik Kondra faces off against Bowling Green on Nov. 11 in a 9-4 Irish win.

Fencing

Irish fall short of win in NYU tournament

By DAN TAPETILLO

This weekend's matches at the NYU duals proved to be bitter sweet for Notre Dame. Despite finding early success against the nation's top teams on Sunday, both Irish teams fell just short of the victory, finishing 4-1.

The No. 2-ranked men defeated their first four opponents. Their short of the victory, finishing 4-1. The No. 26 Irish easily defeated the Wildcats in 2004 NCAA runner-up Cory Werk. Jackrabbits upended the Purdue University Navy ROTC and U.S. Marine Corps Bullermaners 34-18. The Jacksons with ND, the strong guard play of co-tournament Most Valuable Players and sisters Emily and Liz Jarding. The two took over the game after a slow start that only saw six points scored in the first 10 minutes, jettting Purdue out in a 50-7 halftime lead.

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