AllianceND still seeks club status

Group ready to work together with Council

By MARY KATE MALONE
Assistant News Editor

Leaders of the unrecognized gay and lesbian student group AllianceND are heartened by the recent restructuring and renaming of the University Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, but said they will not back down from pursuing club status — a privilege the Office of Student Activities has denied in recent years.

AllianceND and the newly-named Core Council on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs have similar goals — both seek to meet the needs of Notre Dame’s gay and lesbian students — but their means of achieving those ends are quite different.

University officials said the recent changes made to the committee do not necessarily imply the Office of Student Activities will recognize AllianceND when it applies for club status this spring. “This is not (it) recognition, it really isn’t,” said Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Sister Mary Louise Gade. “I don’t know if it’s a step forward toward recognition or not, but it’s certainly a step forward toward better support for gay and lesbian students.”

Gade has served as chair of the Committee since the fall of 1998. She hopes the restructuring will lead to increased communication among different gay and lesbian student groups — like AllianceND, Outreach and Feminist Voice — which will all be represented on the student body’s Board of Representatives.

“The problem that our community is facing is the diversity that all of us have,” said Student Senate President Dave Baron. “By bringing the university’s diversity into the Senate process, it will allow us to work toward education and recognition of underrepresented groups.”

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SMC hosts diversity conference

Event aims to foster leadership potential

By MEGAN O’NEIL
Saint Mary’s Editor

Long a buzzword on campus, diversity will once again be the central topic of discussion at Saint Mary’s tonight as the Student Diversity Board’s (SDB) inaugural Diverse Students Leadership Conference (DSL) gets underway at 8 p.m. with the musical and dance performances in O’Laughlin Auditorium.

The conference will continue Friday with a series of leadership workshops and diversity-related lectures targeted at high school and college students.

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“We hope everyone participating is productive,” Landry said. “We want them to come to the conference and see how our diversity might have some kind of underlying prejudice, not even being conscious of it, and to see how they hope you as you go through each workshop you learn something about yourself, you learn something about your community and about society and about different cultures.”

The marquee performer at tonight’s entertainment portion of the event is Atlanta-based rapper Eddie “Double E” Clark, who appeared on the UPN show “The Road to Stardom with Missy Elliott.” Other acts include Troop ND, Baile Forklorico, the ND/SMC Irish Dance Team and Notre Dame senior Jason Laws’ 2j Productions.

Student government invites academic freedom discourse

By KATHLEEN McDONNELL
News Writer

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“We’ve already solicited information from each dorm through dorm senators, and this discussion tonight is to include those whose opinions have not yet been heard,” said senior Matt Walsh, chairman of the Senate’s University Affairs Committee. “Father Jenkins wants to hear how the student body feels.”

An e-mail sent to Notre Dame students by student government said the event called for the inclusion of randomly-selected small groups to ensure a diverse spectrum of student views would be represented.

Senators said previous dorm-sponsored debates greatly con-
INSIDE COLUMN

Taking a bite out of oral crime

People bite people. It's a fact, folks. Human-to-human biting permeates all realms of society, from domestic disputes to Hollywood cinema to professional boxing — listing just a few instances where it would be a mouthful — the problem simply goes unnoted by the masses.

On Wednesday, the White Plains News Writers New York man who 

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Indeed, the emotional trauma associated with oral assault is sometimes deeper than the wound itself. Victims of biting incidents are often forever changed by the event, refusing the kiss of a potential mate, or worse, the recognition of themselves.

Rabies-infested raccoons, dogs, mosquitoes — these are all things people fear will bite them. Add to that list people. Mike Tyson — biter. Hannibal Lecter — biter.

The pervasiveness of human biting might surprise you. The Web site emedicinehealth.com devotes an entire section to such injuries.

"A human bite is generally obvious, but on occasion the victim is unaware for example, the bite occurred while the victim was drunk — or reluctant to tell others," a Web site description said.

Emedicine Health added that some bites might not be easy to classify as intentional because "there is not a conscious decision on the part of the biter.

No kidding.

The next time you're drooling over a piece you should symbolize a state whose major export is high technology.

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Information compiled from the Associated Press.

OFFBEAT

"Brown Sugar" off the menu in China

BEIJING — The Rolling Stones will likely follow the beat of China's censors when they offer mainland fans some long-awaited satisfaction with an April concert, promoters said Sunday.

The veteran British group, who had two shows in China canceled in spring 2003 because of the SARS epidemic, would make its mainland debut in Shanghai on April 8 as part of its "A Bigger Bang" tour. Emma Faietain tells us on her Web site (www.emma.cn).

Even before their April 2003 concerts were scuttled, the Stones had run afoul of China's culture commissioners.

This time around, the band was ready to steer clear of trouble, a company employee said Tuesday.

Idaho's image becomes a hot potato

SALMON, Idaho — A state lawmaker wants to peel Idaho's standard license plate of the legend "Famous Potatoes" in a battle over whether the lowly spud should symbolize a state whose major export is high technology.

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CORRECTIONS

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IN BRIEF

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By PETER NINNEMAN
News Writer

Howard Hall continues to be a tradition today with its sixth annual bone marrow drive — an event groundled in beginnings, which still resonate in the dorm of the dorm's residents.

The event began in 2000 when 2003 Notre Dame graduate Anne Gurucharri learned her father had been diagnosed with myelodysplastic syndrome — a rare form of leukemia and would need a bone marrow transplant. Gurucharri was inspired by a drive held by Zahn Hall the year before, and set out to organize her own.

The drive — which will take place from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. today in the Sorin and Dooley rooms on the first floor of Lafortune — came through for the Gurucharri family, as an eligible donor was found within a few months. The transplant allowed Anne's father to continue his battle with cancer long enough to live to see her daughter's graduation the following year.

With the Gurucharri family story in mind, Howard continued to hold the drive. Once again, dorm residents are seeking volunteers from the Notre Dame community for today's event.

In past drives, multiple student dorms joined the one who helped the Gurucharri family have been contacted for further testing. This year, about 20 people have signed up already, but approximately 300 donors are expected. Howard will cover the cost of registration for all students.

Shen said organizers e-mailed freshmen and sophomores about the drive, as well as minority students. Compatibility matches are often consistent with shared ethnic backgrounds, she said, and minority patients, who are underrepresented in the national registry.

"It think it's really imperative," she said. "There's a severe shortage especially for minorities in need of transplantations." I'm glad Howard has this event that allows students to get involved."

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The University announced the changes Feb. 24. Instead of six student members, the group will now have eight — one of whom will be a student co-chair. Four administrators will also sit on the Council.

Gade said the restructuring will allow for Alliance ND to help seek funding from the Council for certain events.

"What we think will happen is that Alliance might be able to plug in some of its activities and get support from the Core Council depending on what these activities are — they must be within the parameters of Catholic teaching," Gade said.

But Alliance ND member Curtis Leighton said this restriction on the Core Council intensifies the need for a student group like Alliance ND to be granted club recognition — as well as access to money for staging events that the Core Council would not be allowed to support.

"I worry that the Standing Committee is not going to be different because they're hindered by 'academic freedom' or any of those types of things," Leighton said.

Still, the change in composition is no doubt an improvement on the current Council setup, said Leighton — who is also the co-chair of Outreach.

"For now at least, the Standing Committee doesn't provide a lot of support or advocacy for gay students on campus," he said. "I hope in the new year, the Core Council will do some of that by expanding the membership and having some connection with student organizations."

Alliance ND co-coordinator Anna Gombert said she fears the recent steps might show that the University feels the Core Council will be adequate enough to address gay and lesbian student needs — and that groups like Alliance ND do not need recognition. She insists the groups are very different.

"Frankly, Alliance ND is more concerned with student needs than all administrative student group like the Core Council," she said. "The student group is going to be different than an administrative body because it is normalized, it's the same as all student groups — I don't think anything that the Standing Committee would do or restrict would make that different."

Alliance ND has applied for and been denied club status each of the last two years. According to a March 22, 2005 article in The Observer, similar proposals have been denied nine times in the last 10 years.

"As things come together more and the communication increases across all these groups, I think that generally is a very good thing — that they're integrating these groups and encompassing a broader scope is definitely a really good thing," Gombert said.

"We're going to have to wait and see what it ends up looking like — allowing for more structure and allowing standing committee to involve more people is a step in the right direction."
Shorty thereafter, Landry was elected vice president of SDB. After bouncing ideas off Johnson, president of the Latinas group La Fuerza, she decided to push forward with the idea under the auspices of SDB.

Landry and Johnson met every Saturday during spring 2005 to discuss the goals and contents of the conference. Last semester, Vice President for Enrollment Management Dan Meyer asked members of SDB to help the College in its effort to diversify the student body by extending itself to minority applicants. Landry said. The DSLC was a good opportunity for that outreach, she said, and organizers met with Meyer every week to tailor certain workshops to high school students.

The conference is proof that Saint Mary's is doing more than just sitting back and talking about diversity, Landry said.

"We want them to see that Saint Mary's is a welcoming environment and that this is a priority for us," Johnson said.

While other SDB events, such as the fall DSLC Bonfire and discussion forums, have been successful, they tend to attract the same audience of already-convinced students. She said she hopes this conference will engage with individuals who might not consider diversity a big issue.

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Tape: Bush warned about Katrina

Video shows President, Chertoff clearly told that storm could breach levees

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In dramatic and sometimes agonizing terms, federal officials on Wednesday told the homeland security chief before Hurricane Katrina struck that the storm could breach levees, put lives at risk in New Orleans’ superdome and overwhelm rescue workers, according to confidential video footage.

Bush didn’t ask a single question during the final briefing before Katrina struck on Aug. 29, but he assured them that he would support them.

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New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin, a critic of the administration’s Katrina response, had a different take after watching the footage Wednesday afternoon from an AP reporter’s camera.

“I have kind a sinking feeling in my gut right now,” Nagin said. “I was listening to what people were saying — they didn’t know, so therefore it was an issue of a learning curve. You know, from this tape it looks like everybody was fully aware.”

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ing senators from the podium. "The same questions — What does it mean to be Catholic in America?" Can a Catholic be an American? — are asked in an increasingly complex fashion.

This is how we are to be an instrument to do good in the world. Baron's speech mentioned but did not stress the numerous small — or even large — accomplishments his administration has achieved this year.

Rather, it was an address grounded in conviction and imbued with a genuine concern for Notre Dame — and with Baron's own philosophy; specifically, his stance on the hubbed of campus discussion sparked by Jenkins' Jan. 23 and 24 addresses to faculty and students on academic freedom and Catholic character.

"Father Jenkins demonstrated a principle in his decision-making that is contrary to a multitude of voices, ideas, opinions and perspectives, truth can be identified," Baron said. He believe that this same principle is applicable to the performance of the 'The Vagina Monologues' and the Gay and Lesbian Film Screenings. Since Father Jenkins' address, individuals have been compelled to examine themselves, listen to others and defend their faith.

"Higher learning has taken place. We, as students, are called to make decisions as we learn. Open dialogue with every viewpoint presented and the influence of the Spirit will guide us to truth."

While Baron said he saw the "Monologues" last year and found some content "clearly inconsistent with Catholic thought," he stressed the value of truth, saying the inconsistencies were realities that Catholics cannot choose to ignore.

"I have faith that my faith will lead me to truth, knowledge and the Will of God," Baron said. "We must do more to be Catholic, not less."

That, Baron said, means "The Vagina Monologues" and the Gay and Lesbian Film Screenings have an important role to play at Notre Dame — but "are not the only means by which we must discuss the topics of homosexuality and assault."

Last year, Baron said performances of "The Vagina Monologues" at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center brought in $15,000 for the S-O-S and YWCA organizations in South Bend — a significant chunk of money lost this year when the "Monologues" became a free production in DeBartolo Hall.

"Once again, in this very situation, we are confronted with the question of the role Notre Dame should play in determining how Catholics can go about doing good in the world," Baron said.

He made the distinction between the national YWCA, an openly pro-choice organization, and the South Bend YWCA, an organization without a stated position on abortion.

"Money, raised by Notre Dame students and donated to the local YWCA, would not be used for abortive practices or counseling. It is used to do good that no others are doing." The heavy discussions across and beyond campus on academic freedom and Notre Dame's Catholic character make this a "momentous time for the University and, specifically, the Notre Dame student body," Baron said.

He quoted Jenkins' inaugural address. "If we are afraid to be different from the world, how can we make a difference in the world?"

"We have a role to play that has national and global implications," Baron said. "It is important that student government be a respectable and thoughtful voice, now more than ever."

And there's no one better to lead the Notre Dame student body through this period in the University's history than current student body vice president and president-elect Lizzi Shappell, Baron said.

"Lizzi Shappell is a woman of will, conviction, insight and empathy," Baron said, as Shappell smiled in acknowledgment, hands crossed under her chin.

"Since I met her two years ago, Lizzi has led me on the very issues that I spoke about tonight. She will do the same for 8,000 undergraduates and the entire Notre Dame family."

But for Baron, what it really comes down to is the necessity of doing good and how he, and his administration, worked to fit Notre Dame into the bigger picture.

"For your time and attention tonight," he said to the senators, "for your efforts in the past 11 months, for your willingness to be a body of discourse, for your contributions to Notre Dame as a Catholic think tank of America — I thank you."

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In Brief

Boston Scientific had sought to finish the deal by the end of March. But in a regulatory filing, the company said it now expects its Guidant acquisition "to occur during the week of March 13.

The same judge, Allan Mattingly, could rule at any time on Northwest's request to reject its pilot contract. It wasn't clear when that would happen, but the judge's ruling was expected "in the near future."

Both filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in September 2001. Northwest, the nation's largest airline, said Thursday that it won't be propped up the company before a judge rules in the case.

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guidant shareholders if the deal wasn't complete by a self-imposed March 31 deadline. If it wasn't, they would get a dividend of $4.5 million per day in interest on their money. Still, spending gains outpaced income increases. With the gains included by a self-imposed March 31 deadline.

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IRAQ

Saddam admits role in Shiite trials

Former Iraqi leader says 148 executions imply no crime on his part

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — "Where is the crime? Where is the crime?"

So said a defiant Saddam Hussein at the end of Wednesday's hearing in a trial that could send him to the gallows.

In a dramatic speech, the former Iraqi leader told the court that he ordered the trial of 148 Shiites who were eventually executed in the 1980s. He also acknowledged ordering the destruction and flattening of the palm groves and farms in the town of Dujail.

But he insisted he had the right to do so because the Shiites of Dujail were suspected of trying to assassinate him.

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The bold testimony came a day after prosecutors presented the most direct evidence against him in the four-month trial: a 1984 presidential decree approving the death sentences for the 148, with a signature said to be Saddam's.

Saddam did not admit or deny approving their executions, but stated outright that he was solely responsible for their prosecution, adding that his seven co-defendants should be released.

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Three judges would go to all other student organizations — including SUB, International Business Council and Club Coordination Council and Club Coordination Council. The Council of Representatives Collaboration Fund would also be entirely eliminated.

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Careers as Vocations

Healthcare
Sunday, March 5th
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
at the Center for Social Concerns

The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet.

Frederick Buechner
Pizza will be served.

Report: Hispanics must adjust better

Education programs could help integration

Associated Press
WASHINGTON — Millions of Hispanics come to America looking for jobs and education, but remaining here seems to be bad for their health.

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Why celebrity is like Oakland

Legend has it that the gods offered Achilles a choice between a long, undisturbed life, or a short, glorious death. Achilles chose a premature death as an acceptable price for the immortality of fame.

If fame is the recognition of great achievement, then there is no mystery to its appeal. It’s only natural that the baseball player should dream of securing a place in the Hall of Fame and the TV star should dream of winning a Pulitzer Prize. By honoring their excellence, we encourage—perhaps—those who pursue the fact that the desire for fame leads many astray (be it through the use of performance-enhancing drugs, plagiarism or the fabrication of scientific results) is regrettable, but no reason not to help them get there.

Fame is something quite different from celebrity, although some who achieve fame also become celebrities as a result. Fame is at least in part the recognition of a name or a place. Celebrity is about being alive in the public view, and is measured in calendars. It’s no accident that film and television actors, who are used to working in front of cameras, are the most prominent celebrities. There are some obvious appeals to being a celebrity; there is money, of course, and the access to the exclusive — and hence glamorous — restaurants and parties. There are benefits that are real enough, but they alone would hardly be worth the effort of attaining and maintaining celebrity. And once one does not exist.

Life under the spotlight is obviously so demanding that it would not make any sense to continue with continual public scrutiny may mean as much as an end to the Hollywood pool parties. Celebrity is sought not as a means to an end, but as an end in itself. For celebrity, life in the spotlight is not a burden, it’s the whole point.

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English Professor

Abroad

Letter to the Editor

Consider vegetarianism for Lent

This Lent, we can play a significant role in alleviating the suffering of the voiceless. Without addressing the issue of animal rights on our campus, we are complicit in the suffering of billions of animals. This inhumane treatment of animals is a perversion of Christ’s peacable kingdom where “The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall be with the kid; and the little cub shall lead them” (Isaiah 11:6). This paragraph, along with numerous other biblical references to animals, compels us not to ignore animals as we work towards living in the spirit of Christ. The way of compassion and mercy can and should translate into our own time. To ignore it is failing short of our human potential to honor God’s creation. Jesus, in his life of service and healing, forgave the outcasts of society. With a similar respect for all of God’s creation, we can allow farm animals into our sphere of compassion. The question should not be “Why can’t we eat animals?” but rather, “Do we allow farm animals into our sphere of compassion? The question should not be “Why can’t we eat animals?” but rather, “Do we acknowledge the human potential to honor God’s creation.

Daniele Nuñez

Covington Hall

Feb. 28

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Today is your day! Your looking forward to something... So... get on your way.

Theodore Seuss Geisel

children’s author
Giving up for Lent

Kate Barrett
FaithPrint

Letter to the Editor

Notre Dame basketball needs full support

My letter is in response to the March 1 letter in The Observer by my fellow alum, John Chute.

Let me start out by saying I completely understand John Chute’s frustration. Notre Dame should set a standard of excellence — on and off the court — for excellence that leads to the changes University President John Jenkins and Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves made in football and basketball. I believe there should be no difference in how much Notre Dame spends on facilities for playing, recruiting, or practicing, or both. The Eck Indoor Practice Facility, the Gug and then the spartan field over the last 10 years. When a recruit visits campus and sees the opulence you could imagine, felt it needed top-flight facilities to compete in recruiting.

In the 40 years since the Joyce Center opened, every other non-football sport on campus has received a major financial infusion, whether it be via fully funding scholarships to the athletes themselves or by building new facilities for playing and/or practicing. But the Tennis Pavilion was built in the last 20 years. The basketball stadium is less than 10 years old. The football program, in the last 20 years, has received two state-of-the-art practice facilities (first Loftus and now the Gug) and had a full renovation of its stadim.

No one denies football rules the roster at Notre Dame, but three major problems in 14 months receive nothing seems, to me, to be unreasonable, especially in light of the fact that the basketball programs outperformed the football program on the field over the last 10 years. When a recruit visits campus and sees the opulence of the Gug and then the spartan confines of the PI, what impression should we expect that recruit to create in him or her mind? What conceivable use does Notre Dame sending to recruits (and to potential quality coaching replacement candidates) have for us if that’s where our “stuff” lies?

In his letter, John says that his employer gave him the financial support upfront and while expecting him with a given time period to prove himself worthy of that funding. I suggest that Notre Dame has not done the same for Mike Brey (or Muffett McGraw, for that matter), expecting quality performance while providing the same level of excellence in support, either in facilities or in academic overights. For example, Notre Dame recently lost out on a recruit to Georgetown. This recruit, named after, the Irish basketball great, came on campus for an official visit, but left without a scholarship offer. Why? His SAT score was short of the limit for an early offer — a limit, I’m led to understand, that does not restrain the football staff. Georgetown saw no reason to use such a ridiculous standard, so the recruit will be suitng up for John Thompson III in 2015.

Dominic James will most likely be the Bokie of the Year in the Big East for Marquette. He was an Irish recruiting target as well. As of spring of 2004, he had yet to take the SAT, so his scholarship offer was conditional. Like Georgetown, Marquette didn’t have a problem with James’ circumstance, so he’s now dropping 10 points on the Irish in the Joyce Center instead of for the Duke Blue Devils.

A wise man I know once said, “Where Notre Dame has directed its intellectual and financial resources, success has invariably followed,” and I believe that to be an excellent maxim. Right now in basketball, Notre Dame is doing neither. Mike Brey was promised facilities improvement when he arrived at Notre Dame six years ago, and the floor of the Joyce Center is still held down by duct tape while their practice gym would be considered low quality for a YMCA. As I noted earlier, whether on purpose or not, Notre Dame is making a statement about how it regards and supports basketball by not addressing these problems.

It’s likely why the Notre Dame administration has “treated the men’s basketball program like the infirmed little sibling, as if unable to meet the standards to which every one else in the family is held.”

The answer is simple — the other programs are listed have been given the administrsion’s attention and support. When Notre Dame does this for the basketball program, I’d be comfortable demanding the top-10 finishes and Sweet 16 appearances John has asked for. Until then, as far as I’m concerned, the ball is in Notre Dame’s court.

Michael Coffey
domas
Class of ’19
March 1

I’m writing in response to John Chute’s March 1 letter to the editor. If one were going to take the time to write a scathing letter of such length, I would assume he would do some fact-checking.  

I, however, was never a student of Michael Coffey, but I do know that he was a student of mine with some staggering blowouts. I know, I was a freshman with season tickets in the pullout bleeders directly behind the hoop. Also of note from that 1995 season were the student ups in UConn jerseys and openly cheering for the other team.

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Former student band gains popularity

By BOB COSTA
Scene Critic

Notre Dame is not exactly known for its music scene. With limited local venues besides Anonymous for campus bands to play, most fade away by graduation. But that was never the case for Umphrey's McGee, an exceedingly popular rock band that formed at Notre Dame in December of 1997.

Led on vocals and guitar by Brendan Bayliss — the son of longtime men's tennis coach Bobby Bayliss — Umphrey's McGee has certainly evolved. The group once known for headlining downtown South Bend's State Theater and Mishawaka pubs became a rock band that has headlined the Bonnaroo Music Festival, played with Phish at the Gorge and has a huge college radio following.

They still put on the wigs and jerseys of rock stars in the stands at a Notre Dame game and deserve the cheers. "Tales from the Kitchen." To say that Umphrey's McGee is the best bands to emerge from Notre Dame in a decade is an understatement. The band's new album, "Safety in Numbers," is a tour de force. Songs like "Passing," which evokes a plethora of images of both loss and life, put the collection of 11 songs into each listener's psyche. No longer just a "jam band" that hooks listeners with its dynamic live shows, Umphrey's McGee has obviously invested itself in the studio and even the recording process. Songs like "Rocker" build harmonies upon crunching guitar riffs, featuring vocals and passionate band interplay.

Produced by the band and longtime sound engineer Kevin Krevis (of the Browning cinema family), "Safety in Numbers" is ambitious from start to finish. It moves beyond Umphrey's McGee's muscular live rock performance into intimate acoustic numbers surrounded by an edgy collection of guitar effects, sparse vocals and passionate band interplay.

More King Crimson, Betch and Allman Brothers than Phish, Umphrey's McGee is pushing the jam-band genre into a new direction. The band deviates from its come-from-Deadhead past. The band can jam for hours on end — for proof listen to its recent live DVD. "Wrapped Around Chicago: New Years at the Riv." But it can also contain itself to a point that is about the simple relationship between the words of Bayliss and the intelligent riffs of lead guitarist Jake Cimillo.

The album begins with the meandering rock song "Believe the Lie," featuring Bayliss emotionally singing about the plastic nature of modern society where "If you believe in every lie You're never free to walk away." That track segues into the richly introspective acoustic song "Rocker," a song in memory of the life of the band's friend Brian Schultz, who was killed by a drunk driver a year ago.

Umphrey's McGee has been touring constantly since its members graduated from Notre Dame in the late 1990s. Just a few months after the group's first gig in 1998, the band released its own CD, the cleverly titled live album "Greatest Hits, Volume III." The group's first major studio album, "Local Band Does OK," won Umphrey's the raves of rock critics across the country. It is understandable why Rolling Stone magazine calls Umphrey's McGee "the leading contenders for Phish's jammier crown." The band's music has an undeniable energy that has infected listeners from South Bend to Amsterdam.

"Safety In Numbers" has a decidedly inward approach to its subject matter, most notably on "Rocker" and the powerful "Words." At first listen, one may think that Umphrey's McGee makes each song too much of a labyrinth, with crescendos hidden among melodies and sporadic notes. "Safety In Numbers" features a guest performance by sax sensation Joshua Redman and even a cameo by veteran rocker Huey Lewis on the upbeat anthem "Wanna, Wine and Song.

If listeners love music that takes chances, has the spirit of Frank Zappa and builds harmonies upon crunching guitar solos and passionate lyricism, then Umphrey's McGee's "Safety In Numbers" should undoubtedly be in their collection.

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Saint Etienne surprises with U.S. label success

By JOE LATTAL
Scene Critic

Electronic indie vets can still learn new tricks. You might see rappers wear basketball jerseys or rock stars in the stands at a baseball game, but no one tops Saint Etienne in their dedication to pro sports. A presence since the late '80s when electro-pop ruled the clubs, Saint Etienne is named after their favorite French football club, AS Saint-Étienne.

But whether you call it football or soccer, Saint Etienne was formed on the shores of the French Turnpike House, has perched itself in the top 25 of the college radio charts for a decade — and deservedly so. "Tales" features delicately packaged electronic dance and pop songwriting courtesy of Bob Stanley and Pete Wiggs, with Sarah Cracknell's soft and mature vocals as a delicate touch on top. All three-band members started out as music journalists, and they showcase their experience and knowledge in the electronic genres throughout "Tales."

Saint Etienne has mastered the art of a successful electronic indie band, combining dance rhythms, elegant production, a friendly pop atmosphere and an element of sincerity in each track.

Some songs, such as the sultry "Dream Lover," have more of an Air or Dean & Britta breezy delivery. Bass walks behind keyboards and soft percussion with brief nods of seductive flute and guitar here and there. Other tracks, like the personal "Milk Bottle Symphony," deliver a spritely baseline and more clever hooks in "Dream Lover". Their electronic indie feeling, comparable to Postal Service's "Give Up." Other tracks stand out with less emphasis on electronic production, such as the opener "Side Streets" about avoiding the spotlight, which sounds more like a Belle and Sebastian song.

But the highlights of the album are the dance tracks, without a doubt. "A Good Thing" takes you straight to the dancekoloe with a dance-pop groove similar to Kylie Minogue or Goldfrapp. The track features a triumphant riff of keys, bass and electronic percussion that moves the song forward like a good plot.

In "I'm Falling" the mechanical rhythm produced from the synths and electronic percussion melts into Cracknell's tender voice. Showing off her mastery of different songwriting styles, Saint Etienne don't waste a single track on their gem of an album. "Tales" is the first CD to come around in a long time to maintain an innocent attitude but also elements of excitement and euphoria.

Listeners might not recognize Saint Etienne as Brit-pop veterans immediately, since they have yet to achieve mainstream popularity in America. Yet the class and maturity of their delivery make it clear that this group of former music journalists is the real deal, even if they take their name from a French football team that's near the basement in the standings.

Unlike AS Saint-Étienne's current season, "Tales" is full of emotion and bravado with touches of charm and glamour. Any pop music fan that has the energy to dance can appreciate Saint Etienne. Even though it's still early, "Tales" is a serious contender for album of the year.

At the beginning of the year, it was surprising Saint Etienne, British vets who released their latest record on an American hipster jazz label, would land in the ranks of Cat Power, Jenny Lewis or even The Strokes on the college music charts. But after just one listen, it's no surprise how Saint Etienne have achieved such success with "Tales."

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Tales from Turnpike House
Saint Etienne

Savoy Jazz

Recommended tracks: 'I'm Falling,' 'Tales,' 'A Good Thing,' 'Milk Bottle Symphony' and 'Dream Lover'
A new exhibit at the Snite Museum showcases professor Robin Rhodes and his students' reconstruction of the ancient Greek temple of Corinth.

**Snite Museum Exhibit**

"The Genesis of Monumental Architecture in Greece: The Corinth Project"

Through March 21 at the Snite Museum of Art

Admission is free.

Rhodes' aim in the exhibit was to "create an architecture exhibit that uses the architecture of the monument to show visitors how to perform the tasks of recreating the architecture." As visitors enter, they see simple fragments of stone blocks piled in a seemingly random order. These stones are literally the "building blocks" of the temple and were used to construct the wall. Directly next to these is a massive, nearly to scale partial recreation of what the temple wall would have looked like. A video shows how new blocks are formed in a process called "xarxum forming." This process creates plastic replicas that look exactly like real blocks but weigh much less. The reconstruction allows visitors to see and appreciate the effort that goes into monumental architecture.

The other monumental aspects of the Corinth temple are on display at the "Corinth Project." The intricate system of intersecting roof tiles. After viewing several displays illustrating the nature and design of the tiles, visitors are encouraged to experiment firsthand. Rhodes and his team were able to recreate the terra cotta tiles using modern methods. A video shows the process in real time, as actual tiles the team made are put together to show what a real roof would have looked like. After examining the various aspects of the architecture, an interactive computer station allows one to visualize how the elements of the roof and the walls come together to form the entire temple. Finally, the entire temple is on display in the form of a 1:25 scale model. This amazing model is accurate down to the smallest detail and is surrounded by three screens that continually depict landscapes of Greece filmed by Rhodes. Rhodes says that this is one of the most important aspects of the exhibit because visitors come to understand the "placement of this temple in the landscape for which it was constructed." The panorama, enhanced by the sounds of bird songs, depicts beautiful scenes of the Greek countryside and affords visitors a sense of appreciation for the total environment of the temple at Corinth.

"The Corinth Project" is one of those rare museum exhibits that allows visitors to learn more about a topic on hands on, instructive manner that is fun at the same time. A trip to the Snite Museum to learn more about monumental architecture at the ancient temple at Corinth is well worth it.

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**DPAC Spotlight**

Famed Irish performers pay second visit to Notre Dame

By SEAN SWEANEY

Since 1962, traditional Irish musicians The Chieftains have been performing and recording Celtic music worldwide, including Pope John Paul II. Tonight, the group will play in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts (DPAC) for the second consecutive year. A highlight of last year's DPAC season, the 2006 concert promises to be more of the same.

Irish musician Paddy Moloney formed The Chieftains from several of the top folk musicians in Ireland. The group performed together occasionally until 1975, when its members began playing together full time. Since then, band members have come and gone, but The Chieftains have continued to push the boundaries of Irish music with their rich vocal harmonies.

Using traditional Irish instruments including the Uilleann pipes, tin whistle, bodhrán and a special drum called a bodhrán, The Chieftains have promoted the appeal of Celtic music worldwide. The band's lively Irish music is often mixed with influences of Spanish guitar and American country music, creating a distinctive, energetic melody that emerges in each of its 41 albums.

During their four decades together, The Chieftains have received numerous awards and accolades — including six Grammy awards, the distinction of being named Ireland's Musical Ambassadors and a performance in front of 135,000,000 people during the Pope's visit to Ireland in 1979. Additionally, The Chieftains have collaborated with many of the world's top musicians, including Willie Nelson, Van Morrison and Mick Jagger.

This world-renowned band is playing at Notre Dame in large part because of the efforts of DPAC executive director John Hayes. Hayes arranged the concerts for both last year and this year and believes that The Chieftains "should play at Notre Dame every year for as long as possible." Last year's concert was immensely popular and this year's looks to be no different, as tickets sold out within three days of the sale date.

As a special treat during the concert, The Chieftains will be performing jointly with the University's Symphony Orchestra.

The Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Daniel Stowe, is comprised of more than 60 undergraduates, graduate students and faculty. The Symphony Orchestra performs several concerts on campus each year and traveled to California last winter for several well-received performances. The opportunity to perform with The Chieftains and the University Symphony Orchestra to play together was again facilitated by Hayes when he heard that Moloney had created several orchestral compositions that he was eager to perform in concert. The availability of the University Symphony Orchestra and its relatively low cost compared to other symphony orchestras made the joint production possible.

The two groups will play together again at St. Patrick's Day concert in New York City's prestigious Carnegie Hall in two weeks.

"The Chieftains and the Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra at Carnegie Hall on St. Patrick's Day — that phrase speaks for itself," Hayes said.

For those who will be in New York City for St. Patrick's Day, tickets are still available for the joint performance. Tonight, the two groups plan to play a variety of other songs in addition to Moloney's orchestral compositions. The Chieftains also like surprises, and the appearance of Irish dancers is not uncommon at their toe-tapping concerts. What is for certain is that The Chieftains and The Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra will create an electric Celtic atmosphere in the Leighton Concert Hall for all to enjoy.

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Florida State upsets Duke in front of restless home crowd

Premature court storming by fans leads to two technical foul shots, delays demise of Duke's perfect conference season

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Florida State beat No. 1 Duke for the second time in three years and the latest win had quite an ending.

Alexander Johnson's basket with just over a minute left broke the game's final tie and the Seminoles went on to a 79-74 victory in the Blue Devil's den. The fans stormed the court with the Seminoles leading 77-72, and 1.7 seconds left on the clock. The game was delayed several minutes until the floor could be cleared and Duke was awarded two free throws on a technical foul against Florida State for its players leaving the bench.

J.J. Redick, who led Duke with 30 points, made the foul shots to make it a three-point game, but Al Thornton, who was fouled as the premature celebration began, made two free throws for the margin.

The loss ended the run at an unbeaten Atlantic Coast Conference season for Duke (27-2, 14-1). It was the second straight year the Blue Devils (19-7, 9-6) beat the Longhorns (24-5, 12-3) at home. They beat then-No. 9 Texas 72-70 last season.

No. 7 Georgia Washington 89, St. Bonaventure 77

OLEAN, N.Y. — Daniel Murrell and Maxwelle Ricks teamed to key a 13-point run that helped Georgia Washington extend its nation's longest winning streak to 17 games.

The Colonials (25-1, 15-0 Atlantic 10) needed to overcome a resilient Bonnies team which led by as many six points midway through the second half, and didn't relinquish the lead until there was 6:01 left. The Colonials leading by 31 in the first half came down to seven times in their last 35 meetings, and came at 7-5 and the last of three ties in a row. The Colonials also had their final lead at 75-73, but simply did not have enough to knock off the Wildcats.

The Wildcats (19-10, 9-6 Southeastern Conference) avenged the Volunteers' win in Lexington last month that snapped an eight-game losing streak in the series.

The Wildcats, still battlin Florida for the East's No. 2 seed for the SEC tournament, finished the lineup since the teams' last meeting.

C.J. Watson, Jahlil Smith and Chris LeFount each scored 15 points for the Wildcats (20-6, 11-4).

No. 13 North Carolina 99, Virginia 54

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — David Noel had 19 of his career-high 26 points in the first half of the final home game of his career, Beavys Sherry added 17 points and North Carolina rolled past Virginia with the victory. The Tar Heels (20-6, 11-4) clinched a tie for second place in the Atlantic Coast Conference and reached 20 victories for the 33rd time in 36 seasons.

Tyler Hansbrough finished with 13 points and Marcus Ginyard scored 10 as North Carolina won for the ninth time in 10 games. This one turned into a rout early, and the final margin was the largest in the year's history of the rivalry. The Cavaliers (14-12, 7-8) had their final lead at 7-5 and the last of three ties came when Hansbrough converted two free throws on the ensuing possession.

No. 17 Florida 77, Georgia 66

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Joakim Noah had a career-high 37 points and 11 rebounds to help Florida snap a three-game losing streak.

Noah scored on layups, dunks, putbacks, even a baseline drive. He was 19-of-22 from the free throw line, breaking Neal Walk's school record for free throw percentage (28-30) made in 1968. Mike Rosario scored 16 points for the Bulldogs, who have lost five of six.

No. 18 Kansas 75, Colorado 54

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Mario Chalmers hit two key 3-pointers in the second half and Kansas beat Colorado to move back into a tie with Texas for first place in the Big 12.

The Jayhawks (21-7, 12-3), who have beaten Colorado 34 times in their last 35 meetings, had their 10-game winning streak snapped on Saturday in an 80-55 loss at Texas. But Texas A&M upset the Longhorns 46-43 at the same time Kansas was beating the Buffs.

Kansas ends its regular season at Kansas State on Saturday, while Texas hosts Oklahoma on Sunday.
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**In Brief**

**Bonds to star in ESPN2 reality series**
Barry Bonds' reality TV show chronicling the slugger during his peak years will air April 4 on ESPN2, and has been announced as a reality show on ESPN.

The show, titled "Bonds on Bonds," and produced by Mike Tollin and Brian Robbins, will offer a weekly behind-the-scenes look at Bonds and the California-based company had reached a 20-year sponsorship deal with the Colts worth $125.5 million.

The deal includes the naming rights for the 53,000-seat, retractable-roof stadium, set to open in 2008.

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**Guerrero will not play in World Baseball Classic**
Vladimir Guerrero pulled out of the World Baseball Classic on Wednesday, saying he will not play for the Dominican Republic because of the recent deaths of his three cousins.

Fernando Guerrero, 26, Salvador Carmona, 25, and Henry Guerrero, 23, were killed in a car accident last weekend while driving from Don Gregorio to San Cristobal in the Dominican Republic.

Guerrero took Monday and Tuesday off from spring training drills with the Los Angeles Angels after learning of their deaths. He said Wednesday at Angels camp that he would be very close to his cousins and he would not be able to focus enough on baseball to represent his country in the WBC.

"I feel mentally that I cannot go out there and play and compete for my country," Guerrero said.

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**Name finalized for new Indy stadium**

**Associated Press**

INDIANAPOLIS — To the bousing strains of rock music, the Indianapolis Colts announced Wednesday that Lucas Oil Products Inc. had won the right to name the team's new home field Lucas Oil Stadium — news the company's CEO jokingly called the "worst-kept secret in the world."

Forrest Lucas said he had hoped to keep a lid on the news that his California-based company had reached a 20-year sponsorship deal with the Colts worth $125.5 million.

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League owners, players talk revenue sharing

Teams fear cap limits, begin to dump high-priced veteran players

Associated Press

NEW YORK — NFL owners will try Thursday to find labor peace before the start of free agency, hoping to avoid the mass dumping of veterans for salary-cap reasons.

The owners will meet in New York, looking to reach an agreement with the players' union that could add $10 million to $15 million to a 2006 salary cap that currently is projected at about $95 million. Without it, some teams could be forced into wholesale cuts to get beneath the cap by midnight. Free agency starts Friday.

Three days of talks between the league and the NFL Players Association to extend the agreement that runs out in 2006 ended Tuesday with the sides far apart on the percentage of league revenues earmarked for players. Gene Upshaw, the union's executive director, said the league is offering to get beneath the cap by mid-night. Free agency starts Friday.

Under the current agreement, 2006 is scheduled to be the last year with a salary cap. An uncapped year in 2007 means new rules that will force teams and agents to change their plans this year and could keep a lot of teams out of the free-agent market entirely.

"It might mean that no rookies get signed because no one is sure of the long-term ramifications," said Tom Condon, the agent for a number of the game's top players.

Even more urgent are salary-cap ramifications for many teams, which anticipated a labor agreement and planned for a much bigger ceiling. Washington, for example, could be as much as $25 million over the salary cap after signings over the past few years that anticipated a salary cap figure well over $100 million.

The ramifications of a lower than anticipated cap were evident Wednesday, when some high-priced veterans were cut. Among them were defensive end Trevor Pryce and running back Mike Anderson of Denver, the team's leading rusher last season. Denver also cut tight end Jeb Putzier.


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INDIANAPOLIS — Teams at 65 schools — including Texas, Tennessee and West Virginia — failed to meet the NCAA's new academic standards and now face the loss of scholarships for their poor grades.

But don't look for any of the biggest names in football or basketball on the list released Wednesday by the NCAA of those lagging behind in the classroom.

The only school in the six biggest conferences to be sanctioned in football or men's basketball, the primary money-makers for most athletic departments, was DePaul of the Big East. It could lose one scholarship in men's basketball next year.

Nationally, 99 teams could lose scholarships as early as next fall. The new academic points system requires each team to meet minimum requirements or face the potential loss of scholarship money when academically ineligible athletes leave school. No school can lose more than 10 percent of its scholarships. And if the ineligible scholarship athlete stays in school, the NCAA will not take the scholarship away from the athlete's team.

Sacramento State had the most teams affected (six) and could face the loss of as many as 2.3 scholarships in football. Prairie View A&M in Texas was among the hardest hit schools. As many as 10 athletes in five sports could lose scholarship money, including 5.3 scholarships in football alone.

The NCAA also released a list of schools that consistently outperformed its baseline standards. Among those were Brown, Harvard, Yale, Notre Dame, the three U.S. military academies and William and Mary. North Carolina and Illinois, the two teams that reached last year's NCAA men's basketball championship game, were both among the top 10 percent academically in that sport.

Overall, NCAA officials were pleased with the improvement made since last year when about 6 percent of sports teams made the list. Fewer than 2 percent of teams were penalized this year.

"We want people to know that if you're going to play our games, you're going to be a student," NCAA president Myles Brand said.

Brand said a statistical adjustment, similar to the margin of error in public opinion polls, helped some schools avoid the lists. Kevin Lennon, the NCAA's vice president of membership services, said 63 schools also received waivers based primarily on their institutional mission statement; 16 were rejected.

The NCAA may not be so forgiving in the future when the statistical adjustment is phased out and repeat offenders become subject to harsher penalties such as postseason bans and the loss of tournament money. Some university officials hope that sends an even stronger message.

"Obviously, if you received a penalty in this round, you need to find out what's wrong," said Hawaii athletic director Herman Frazier, whose school could lose five scholarships in football and one in baseball. "I have spoken to the coaches of both sports involved and impressed on them a need for improvement to avoid these scholarship reductions in the future.

Only seven teams in the six power conferences — Atlantic Coast Conference, Big East, Big Ten, Big 12, Southeastern Conference and Pac-10 — were sanctioned.
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essential ingredient to a defense that allowed 94 goals last year, the second-fewest in Notre Dame history.

"There's more pressure," said Kemp. "Everyone's looking at you to play solid and be a leader back there. And in the position I play I have to be a leader — the quarterback of the defense."

Kemp earned that trust last year by leading the nation with a .652 save percentage and being named a second team All-Great Western Lacrosse League selection and OWLL Rookie of the Year.

"I've grown into that role. Last year I had to gain the trust of the upperclassmen," Acorlades aside, Corrigan feels the team's trust in Kemp as a leader emanates from the presence he has in the net.

"He's just a very poised kid," he said. "He doesn't get rattled if he lets one in or makes a great save. He stays in there and looks to make the next play. He's back there taking care of his job."

Corrigan knew he caught himself a player when he checked Kemp out of Potomac, Md., where Kemp, the team's MVP, captured Georgetown Prep in a 22-1 record and No. 1 national ranking by Inside Lacrosse magazine. But with 18 seasons of experience in recruiting and developing Irish athletes, Corrigan knows the gap between high school and college competition, and he says he could not have

asked for the better performance by a freshman goalie.

"Now we know he was very talented and going to be a great goalie," he said. "But you don't expect that. He's been everything and more than we thought he could be." Corrigan credits Kemp's fundamentals as the key to succeeding so early in his college career. Technically he's very sound," he said. His positioning and footwork are textbook. He's competitive as the dickens."

Corrigan is appreciative of Kemp's older brother C.J., an "outstanding goalie" at Fairfield (Conn.) University who now plays in the Major League Lacrosse circuit, and credits him with being an instructive resource for Joey. Kemp is in his second year protecting the net for an Irish team looking to an improved defense to stimulate a post-season birth. And the sophomore sensation hopes to fill those shoes — and the net — and be a defensive catalyst.

Kemp said this year is fundamentally sound as his game goes — don't let as many balls by.

"Last year we were around a .900 or .905 goals against average," he said. "This year I'd be great to be around six. You won't lose many games when you're giving up around six every game."

His ambitions, if they come true, would give the Irish an outstanding record. Last year the Irish soared at least six goals themselves all but once. While Notre Dame tallied eight goals in last week's season opener, Kemp and company held No. 14 Penn State to four, the lowest allowed since a 12-2 triumph over Air Force two years ago.

Kemp, however, was disappointed.

"We actually should've won this game," he said. "They scored two off failed clears."

According to Kemp, most of the credit for limiting Nittany Lion scoring opportunities last week goes to an overall improved team defense that punished attackers and kept them from reaching the net.

"Last year we had to try to have a physical game," he said. "This year, it comes kind of natural."

By unlimiting Kemp's workspace, he has been able to flourish.

"It's a great help to have four great defensemen," he said. "I'm seeing shots. I know where they're coming from. It's a lot easier for me to save those shots."

Corrigan simplified Kemp's success to great goal tending. "Everything that does not go in has to go by him," he said. "He made the saves in should have had and some he shouldn't. Whenever you get goal tending, the goalie steals some. We've gotten used to Joey doing that."

Driscoll sure has.

"Knowing we have Joey back ... takes a little pressure off me," he said. "He's been awesome and second he stepped in the game."

It is hard to imagine that was only a year ago.

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the Bobcats.

"Ohio always considers us a rival," Foose said. "The past couple years they've always played us hard, wanting to win."

Foose set Notre Dame's single-game scoring record Sunday, tallying nine goals and two assists for 11 points.

"To be honest I didn't even realize how many goals I had scored until the end of the game," Foose said. "My teammates just set me up nicely and I just shot and scored. I think that it was a great feeling because our team played well together that day."

Beyond Foose's performance, the freshman class made an impressive debut. Rookie Jillian Byers also set a Notre Dame record as she netted five goals and two assists — giving her the freshman scoring record.

"Our freshmen are awesome," Foose said. "We had the number one recruiting class in the country and it shows. They are great contributors on and off the field and we couldn't have gotten a better team of girls. I am so proud and impressed by all of them."

With scorers already emerging, Notre Dame matches up favorably with the struggling Bobcats, as the Irish hope to implement a smothering

offensive and defensive game plan.

"We must come out tomorrow play a full sixty minute game without stupid mistakes," said Foose. "This is our first home game, so every one will be excited. Offensively, we can definitely beat them in a fast break. Defensively, we hope to implement an aggressive attack to force turnovers."

Though the Irish have a strong start, they are careful not to get overconfident so early in the season.

"It is evident from the past two games all the hard work is paying off," Foose said. "We still know, however, that it's only two games and we have so much more to improve. Everyone is willing to sac rifice at all times."

With two wins already, this year's squad is likely to improve on the record of the 2005 team that finished 3-12. For one, is hoping the strong start will carry on throughout the season.

"I made school history doing what I love on a field in 70 degree weather, what could be better than that?" Foose said. "But I really hope our team wins the national championship. A ring on my finger would be more fulfilling then scoring goals."

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rebounds and became the main Irish scoring option when Quinn and guard Colin Falls (six points, 2-of-7 shooting) couldn't get open. He also secured five offensive rebounds and kept several possessions alive with tips or rebounds.

"It was just one of those things where you know you have to get this win," said Francis. "Then I think that energy rubbed off on everyone else."

The Irish also switched inside-and-out and man defenses throughout the game to rattle the Friars' shooters. Providence freshman guard Sharaud Curry led all scorers with 25 points, but Notre Dame succeeded in keying out Providence guard Donnie McGrath and presented him with getting more than a few open looks.

McGrath, who entered the game with a team-high 14.6 points per game scoring average in conference play, played all 40 minutes but scored just nine points on 3-of-12 shooting, replicating an equally frustrating 3-of-12 shooting effort in Providence's 92-77 loss to Notre Dame at the Joyce Center Jan. 14.

"Coach Brey wanted us to switch back from zone to man, man to zone, and that was real effective," Francis said. "They were hot early, but they weren't shooting like that all game because of our defense."

Quinn did not explode for 31 points on 11-of-14 shooting as he did Jan. 14 against the Friars, but he deferred to teammates in the teams' second meeting.

Once Francis scored with 8:45 remaining in the first half to give Notre Dame a 19-18 advantage, Providence could not regain the lead until forward Geoff McDermott hit 1-of-2 foul shots at the 7:05 mark of the second half to put the Friars up, 60-59.

But Notre Dame answered the threat with a 9-0 run sparked by two Francis free throws. Francis completed the run with a basket to make the score 68-60 with about four minutes to go. And though Providence center Herbert Hill converted an old-fashioned 3-point play to cut the lead to 68-66, Carter, Quinn, Falls and freshman guard Kyle McAlarney (11 points, 3-of-4 3-pointers) made key baskets and foul shots down the stretch to fend off the Friars, who reached five points with a minute-and-a-half remaining but could not get closer.

Notre Dame takes a 10-9 all-time series lead against Providence with the victory.

Carter, who played only four minutes against the Friars Jan. 14, filled Quinn's scorer's role in the first half by dropping 13 points in the first 20 minutes. He made 5-of-7 field goals, including 2-of-4 3-pointers, in that stretch.

Both teams got off to sluggish overall starts, though Providence prevailed in the early minutes. With the Irish in man-to-man defense, the Friars found lanes to drive and kick, opening a 5-0 lead early and a 10-5 advantage (4-of-7 shooting) at 15:25.

Providence's Curry scored 16 points in the half to lead all scorers.

But Carter hit 1-of-2 free throws, and then Notre Dame switched to a match-up zone, forcing three Providence turnovers in the next four minutes.

McGrath hit a 3-pointer with 14 minutes remaining to give the Friars a 13-6 lead, but the Irish went on a 9-0 run, sparked by consecutive Carter baskets and four points from Rob Kurz to take a 15-13 lead at 11:13.

Neither team could miss just minutes later.

Beginning with a McAlarney 3-pointer to make the score 22-18 Irish, Notre Dame and Providence played to hit straight 3-point baskets, with McAlarney hitting a second from deep to give his team a 28-24 lead.

That was part of a stretch in which Notre Dame made eight field goals on eight consecutive possessions, unbalanced by the Senior Night atmosphere of the Dunkin Donuts Center.

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Tortin Francis Irish center

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"With the amount of places we've played, it wasn't a very intimidating atmosphere," Francis said. "We've played in much more hostile environments, but they still had the advantage playing on their home floor. They were in the same position as us."

The teams traded baskets and Quinn sank his first basket with 1:52 to give the Irish a ten-point lead, and Providence scored the final six points of the half — including a Curry lay up off a McGrath steal, when Quinn turned the ball over as Notre Dame held for the last shot.

Notre Dame led 42-38 at the half.

Notes:
ESPN The Magazine has named Quinn to its Men's Basketball University Division Academic All-America First Team, making Quinn the seventh player in the history of Notre Dame men's basketball to earn Academic All-America honors.

Quinn is the first Irish men's basketball player since Pat Garrity (Orlando Magic) to earn the award. Garrity earned the honor in both 1997 and 1998.

Notre Dame is the only school to have a men's and women's player (point guard Megan Duffy) honored as Academic All-Americans this year.

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How often should I go to Confession?

The Church does not offer any definite frequency that one must receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, except to say that one who has attained the age of reason (normally, age seven) is “bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious [mortal] sins at least once a year” (CCC 1457). I keep in mind that this is not so much a recommendation for action as it is a bare minimum for membership, as the Church also requires us to receive Holy Communion at least once a year, but of course the majority of practicing Catholics receive it much more frequently. The Catechism goes on to state that, “Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion, even if he experiences deep contrition [sorrow for sin], without having first received sacramental absolution” (1457). If he does, one may be even worse off, as he “eats and drinks judgment on himself” (1 Cor 11:29).

By the term “serious sins,” the Church is referring to especially grave sins, also known as mortal sins, which are those that “destroys charity [love] in the heart of man by a grave violation of God’s law; it turns man away from God” (CCC 1855). Scripture provides many lists of sins that might well qualify as serious: “fornication, impurity, licentiousness [lacking moral discipline or restraint, especially in sexual matters], idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, anger, selfishness, dissension, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and the like” (Gal 5:19-21).

While not explicitly necessary, the Church also sees the value in confessing lesser venial sins regularly as well, that we might all be continually encouraged to grow in holiness by following after Jesus Christ in all things. However, this must be balanced well to avoid the tendency towards scrupulosity, where one tries to find sin in oneself even when there is none to find. If you have questions regarding what is sin and what is not, a solid confessor should help you discern what truly does need to be confessed.

A good rule of thumb that I try to follow is to receive the Sacrament of Confession about once a month, or whenever I feel in my heart that I have done something for which I especially need to seek forgiveness from God.

Schedule of Confessions in the Basilica

- 11:00-11:30 am (M-F)
- 4:45-5:15 pm (M-F)
- 7:00-7:30 pm (M-Th)

Keep an eye out for other Lenten opportunities to receive the Sacrament at the Basilica or in your Residence Hall.

Send questions to Brett Perkins: Perkins.26@nd.edu!

If you asked Mark Vilardo about his contributions to Notre Dame, his response would probably consist of a mixture of him talking about being the Captain of the Siegfried Hall Bowling team, and a rambling dissertation on why Buffalo, NY is the best city in the world. Luckily for everyone reading this, Mark is not the author, and now I can focus on all the real service Mark does for the Notre Dame community. Mark’s commitment to service starts where he lives, at Siegfried Hall. As a senior, Mark is a Resident Assistant and cornerstone of the Siegfried Hall community. Mark’s commitment to Siegfried cannot be shown any more clearly than through last weekend, when Mark was in charge of running the Siegfried Hall Retreat. That Mark sacrificed a whole weekend, on top of all of his normal RA duties, to minister to his brother Ramblers shows the true nature of his character. Although the activities already described would certainly warrant Mark to be featured as an example of faith, he is active in ministering in many other ways as well.

Mark approaches his involvement with Campus Ministry with the same zeal he serves Siegfried Hall. Mark has been a leader on retreat teams that have helped to run both Sophomore Road Trip as well as NDE #88. Both of these retreats serve as great ways for students to grow in their faith, and Mark has been an integral part of both retreat endeavors. Mark finds time to participate in all of this in the midst of his Major in Finance, membership in the Glee Club and participation in other service organizations.

Luckily for Campus Ministry, we have booked Mark to help with one more activity. Mark will help lead a Night of Reflection for the new RA’s selected for next year. The new RA’s will certainly benefit from Mark’s example, as well as his encyclopedic knowledge of all things related to Buffalo. Mark, Campus Ministry owe a heartfelt debt of gratitude to you for all of your help. When you graduate and move back home, Notre Dame’s loss will certainly be Buffalo’s gain.

Let us know who out there is making a difference! Send nominations to Brian Vassel at bvassel@nd.edu!
USA SOCCER

U.S. team weathered Poland

Dempsey's goal good enough to squelch out victory in snowstorm

Associated Press

Thursday, March 2, 2006

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On Wednesday night, Dempsey and the U.S. team

defied the elements and beat Poland 1-0 in a World Cup
tuneup played in blizzard conditions.

In a scene more befitting Lambeau Field than a soccer
field, Dempsey scored the only goal off a misplay by
Poland's goalie in the 48th minute.

"I never played in a game
when that much snow came
in at the same time," Dempsey said. "I never saw little flurries turn into big
snow like that.""The ball kept bouncing around here and there.

"It bounced perfectly on Dempsey's fortuitous goal. Eddie Lewis made a superb
long pass from the left wing into the penalty area.

Goalkeeper Artur Boruc, who
entered to start the second half, tried to punch it away.

Instead, the ball deflected off
the head of U.S. forward
Taylor Twellman directly to Dempsey.

All Twellman's teammates
with the New England Revolution had to do was
head it into a gaping net.

"The defender thought the
goalie was going to get it, and
it caused him to hesitate a bit.

And I was able to get behind him and get one in the back of the net," Dempsey said.

"He apologized for his mis-
take, but that's not enough," Poland coach Pawel Janas said of Boruc. "You need to
concentrate more.""The next time the United States plays at Fritz-Walter-
Stadion, it probably will be 50
degrees warmer, with no sign of snow and a frosty wind.

By the midpoint of the sec-
half, the swirling snow
made heading the ball an adventure and trying to make
cuts a dangerous proposition.

In the final minutes, referee
Thorsten Kinhofen even went

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MLB

Ramirez showed up at Red Sox camp, as expected

Outfielder shy about future with Red Sox

Associated Press

FORT MYERS, Fla. — Manny Ramirez showed up for work Wednesday like other 9-to-5ers, an employee paid to do his job even if he might prefer to move over to another company — or team.

There were some glaring dif-

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“It’s pretty timely that we’re going to a doubles tournament because it looks like we could use the work,” he said after the match. Stephen Bass and Santiago Montoya are playing at No. 43 and scheduled to play Rice’s Rodrigo Gabriel and Jason Mok today at 1:45 p.m. Bass has been steady for the Irish this season, ranked at No. 17 in the national singles standings. Montoya is a strong player who has not seen much time on the courts this season, but Bayliss is confident in his ability to compete at this tournament’s high level.

Eric Langenkamp and Andrew Roth, set at No. 52, will be facing UCSD’s Kazari Negishi and Ramesh S. Thondapu at 2:15 p.m. today. Roth has been part of several doubles pairings this season, notably with Brett Helgeson in Notre Dame’s lone relative bright spot in doubles against Ohio State. The freshmen battled together in an 8-6 loss to Devin Mullings and Chris Klingermann at third doubles in what Bayliss called “by far our strongest match.” Langenkamp has also been a strong doubles player for the Irish, usually playing in first and second doubles.

Ryan Keckley and Barry King, one of the strongest Irish duos and playing at No. 76, had a first-round bye and will play Friday at 9:45 a.m. The two juniors have been a highlight for the Irish this season, defeating the then-No. 1 nationally ranked doubles team Ross Wilson and Scott Green in a 4-3 loss at North Carolina in February. The two could not repeat the performance, however, falling to the No. 1 pair in a lopsided loss at the Eck Tennis Pavilion Feb. 26. Although the performance was disappointing, the team took the loss in stride—Ross and Wilson have won three ITA Grand Slam tournament events while playing together.

A first-round bye also went to Helgeson and Sheeva Parbhu, who play Friday at No. 32.

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**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

**Irish ruin Friars' Senior Night in road win**

Notre Dame defeats Providence in do-or-die Big East matchup

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Chris Quinn did not score Wednesday night until 1:52 remained in the first half. But unlike in its 80-72 loss to Marquette Friday, Notre Dame was able to find production elsewhere.

Behind 21 points from guard Russell Carter and 18 from forward Torin Francis, Notre Dame knocked off Providence 82-75 Wednesday night at the Dunkin Donuts Center, despite its star player's slow start.

Quinn finished with 19 points after scoring only three in the first half. And the Irish (12-14, 5-10 Big East) now need only one more win on Saturday (DePaul, Joyce Center, 4 p.m.) to earn a berth in the conference tournament beginning March 8 in New York City.

Providence (12-14, 5-10) needed the win just as badly but could not get it done, even though it had the home court and Senior Night on its side.

“They wanted this win almost as much as we did,” Francis said in a phone interview with The Observer following the game. “But I don’t think they wanted it more.”

Notre Dame shot 49 percent from the field and out-rebounded Providence 36-26. Francis grabbed a game-high 12 rebounds.

Irish forward Rick Cornett looks to pass during an 80-72 Notre Dame loss to Marquette on Saturday. Notre Dame defeated Providence, 82-75, Wednesday at the Dunkin Donuts Center.

**MEN'S TENNIS**

**Pairs travel to doubles tourney**

By KATE GALES
Associate Sports Editor

After an inconsistent performance in doubles against Ohio State Feb. 24, the Irish head to California for the Pacific Coast Doubles Tournament, open to all levels of tennis players.

The tournament is held annually at the La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club, located in La Jolla, California.

In their most recent outing, the Irish were swept in doubles by Ohio State. The Buckeyes dominated first and second doubles, winning both sets 8-2 and taking the third set 8-6.

Although Notre Dame would rally to win the match 5-2 in an upset of their Midwest rival, Russell Carter and 18 from elsewhere.

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**WOMEN'S LACROSSE**

**Irish hope to continue hot streak against Ohio**

By CHRIS WILLIAMS
Sports Writer

Riding a wave of momentum after emotional victories over California and Stanford, the No. 17 Irish (2-0) host Ohio (1-2) today at 4:30 p.m.

A revamped offense and a strong recruiting class created buzz in the offseason and two convincing wins over top programs have the Irish feeling confident.

“We really wanted to win, and we wanted to forget last season,” senior attack Crysti Foote said. “The Cal game was a great win because the whole team got to contribute and it was a great way to open the season. The Stanford game was intense, but I think it was good for us to see that we can come back in any game and any circumstance, and it came down in heart.”

Against Stanford, the Irish twice overcame 5-point deficits, eventually winning 12-11 in triple overtime. Though Notre Dame has performed well in its early season games, it is not overlooking a good team.

**MEN'S LACROSSE**

**Sophomore netminder has solid start to year**

By TIM DOUGHERTY
Sports Writer

As the Irish prepare to face No. 8 Cornell Saturday, they remember last year's dramatic 11-10 loss to the Big Red. But no one recalls the drama quite like sophomore goaltender Joey Kemp.

A freshman at the time, Kemp entered the season's second game armed with only five minutes of collegiate experience at the end a 14-6 win over Penn State in the season opener. Down by three goals with 3:26 left in the third quarter Irish coach Kevin Corrigan needed a change, and he called upon a fresh Kemp to replace senior starter Stewart Crossland. The switch nearly worked, as the Irish had a good look at the net in the final seconds but could not capitalize.

As a wide-eyed freshman, Kemp credited this year's co-captain, defenseman D.J. Dricoll, for welcoming him to the team.

"D.J. called a quick huddle to bring me in," he said. "It made me more comfortable. The leadership on the team defense made it a lot easier for me to step in."

A lot has changed since then. No longer a newcomer, Kemp emerged from the game as a full-time starter and an important piece of the defense.

Notre Dame goalie Joey Kemp stands in goal during a 14-13 win over Air Force on April 10, 2005.