Cardinal to give Commencement speech

Theodore McCarrick will deliver primary address, receive honorary law doctorate from University

By KATIE PERALTA
Assistant News Editor

The University announced Tuesday that Cardinal Theodore McCarrick will deliver the 2008 Commencement address on May 18. Along with delivering the primary speech at the 163rd Commencement exercises, McCarrick, five-year archbishop emeritus of Washington, D.C., will receive an honorary doctor of law degree from the University.

Admissions office mails 3,523 acceptance letters

University sees a slight drop in applicants but overall quality of admitted students strengthens

By ROHAN ANAND
News Writer

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions mailed acceptance letters to 3,523 applicants seeking a spot in the class of 2012, accepting approximately 25 percent of the 14,000 applications submitted, Assistant Provost for Undergraduate Admission Daniel Saracino is pleased with this year's results as well as the work the Admissions Committee has put into selecting members of the Class of 2012.

"Based upon the quality of admissions, demographics, and comparison to previous years' results, I can tell you that the projected class should be clearly the strongest academically in our history," he said.

Academic criteria for selection has remained as competitive in previous years. The average student graduating in the top 5 percent of their high school class. Saracino said. The average score on the SAT was 1400, Saracino said, and 32 on the ACT. Additionally, about 23 percent of the members of the incoming class are children of alumni, all 50 states will be represented in the incoming class, 24 percent belong to an ethnic minority.

COR Reish, Schmidt approve positions at 1st meeting

By JOSEPH McMahan
Assistant News Editor

Student body president Bob Reish and vice president Grant Schmidt officially took office Tuesday at their first meeting of the Council of Representatives.

Reish said he was "setting the agenda for the course of the year," and would focus on issues that are "time sensitive," including getting more freshman and transfer students involved in student government and optimizing Webmail.

"We will always have at least one topic to talk about and discuss," Reish said about COR. "I want there to be open dialogue and discussion." Reish handed out three Skittles to COR members and told them to introduce themselves and provide information based on the color of the candy, such as a fact about their family or their future career plans.

For every red skittle, representatives had to say something no one knows about them. "I'm color blind, so I don't even know if I'm doing this right," Student Union Board (SUB) president Pat Garland said.

COR's faculty moderator Amy Geist reminded all representatives to approach one another and to get along.

Composer discusses idea of soul

Nancy Murphy, an author and professor of Christian Philosophy at Fuller Theological Seminary, spoke about the concept of the soul in a lecture Tuesday called "Neurocognition and the Idea of Soul," taking her students on a journey through complex mythological and religious traditions.

"The key concept in all of this is that the soul is a necessary element of human identity," Murphy said. "But the idea of something separate from the body is no longer necessary to science or religion, if the concept of a soul is necessary."

"With the development of modern biology it is no longer necessary to assume that anything nonphysical needs to be added to science in order to explain human life," Murphy said. "It is now more necessary to see the soul as a principle of the life principle, there is no longer a need for such a concept."
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The sorting hat

Congratulations to the admitted students of the class of 2012.
I know this column may sound a bit out of place, but I'd like to express my gratitude for all of the hard work and dedication that went into getting accepted.

Hall, Pasquerilla's for you.

The incoming freshmen are about to arrive and they will bring with them an array of unique personalities and experiences.

The dorms all have great qualities, but I think the Cabraugh has quite picturesque views of our fair Lady. Better still, Starbucks is just a minivan's away.

Just how? You wait and see.

**IN BRIEF**

The Notre Dame Scrabble Club will hold an ND Scrabble Tournament to benefit the Literacy Council April 5 at 1 p.m. in the Dooley Room of LaFortune. A $5 minimum donation is requested.

Dr. Adrian Reimers, adjunct professor of philosophy, will give a lecture today at 8:30 p.m. entitled "John Paul II and the Centrality of Love" in the Montgomery Theater of the LaFortune Student Center.

The Notre Dame baseball team will play the South Bend Silverhawks at 5:30 p.m. today at Covalessi Stadium.

The Notre Dame Chorale and Chamber Orchestra will perform in its Spring Concert featuring pianist Paivi Ekroth and Chamber Orchestra at 7:30 p.m. in Leighton Concert Hall.

The Notre Dame Dance Company will perform its spring show, called "Taboo," Thursday at 7 p.m. in Washington Hall.

Dr. David Dulin will give a talk called "Pope John Paul II and the Jews" Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in 128 DeBartolo.

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

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**OFFBEAT**

Aberration splits dog's leg in two pieces

AVEON LAKE, Ohio - A developmental problem split Angel the dog's leg, making her look like a five-legged pet. Veterinarian Frank Krupka, with the Avon Lake Animal Clinic in suburban Cleveland, said he's never seen anything like it.

After examining X-rays, Krupka determined that a genetic aberration split Angel's front left leg in two, leaving her with three normal legs and two distinct parts of a fourth.

Krupka said the condition doesn't cause pain but gives her problems moving around. He said surgery is unlikely on the about-7-month-old dog. Krupka said any surgery would be cosmetic and not improve the animal's walk.

Man escapes from private jail, nobody notices

SOUTH BEND - Law enforcement officials are trying to understand how a convicted felon managed to escape from a privately owned jail across the street from the police headquarters without anyone noticing his absence for a full day.

Esequiel Pena, 35, escaped from a private South Bend correctional facility sometime between Sunday afternoon and Monday afternoon. He remained at large Tuesday but was thought to be in the St. Joseph County area, said U.S. Marshals Service spokesman Thomas J. Smith.

Pena apparently escaped by pulling back chain-link fencing around a roof-top recreation yard and climbing down an eight-story fire escape, Smith said.

Pena was being held at the privately operated Central Texas Detention Facility for violating terms of his supervised release.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.
Trailers dangers ignored

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A federal scientist said Tuesday his bosses ignored pleas to alert Gulf Coast hurricane victims earlier about severe health risks from formaldehyde in government-issued trailers and once told him not to write e-mails about his concerns.

Christopher De Rosa, who until recently was one of the government's top toxicologists, told a congressional panel that he repeatedly raised concerns early last year that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention was not adequately informing the public of the hazards, even as symptoms of dangerous exposure were surfacing.

As a result, tens of thousands of families displaced by hurricanes Katrina and Rita remained in the trailers without full knowledge of the risks, he said.

"I stated that such clinical signs were a harbinger of a pending public health catastrophe," De Rosa said in written testimony, quoting one series of e-mails he wrote to superiors last summer.

"I stressed the importance of alerting the trailer residents to the potential reproductive, developmental and carcinogenic effects ... that the only response I received was that such matters should not be discussed in e-mails since they might be 'misinterpreted.'"

De Rosa's comments came Tuesday at a House Science and Technology subcommittee hearing on how the CDC and other agencies handled complaints about trailers issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Committee Democrats accuse FEMA of manipulating scientific research to downplay the dangers. They say the CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, where De Rosa worked, went along with the effort.

"Our agency failed to protect public health," said Nick Lampson, D-Texas.

When complaints of possible formaldehyde poisoning surfaced, FEMA officials insisted in early 2006 that the trailers were safe. But after coming under increasing pressure, FEMA enlisted the CDC's help to test them.

Formaldehyde, well known as a preservative and embalming fluid, is commonly used in building materials. Prolonged exposure can lead to breathing problems and is also believed to cause cancer.

The CDC initially said in February 2007 that, with proper ventilation, formaldehyde levels were safe in the short-term. FEMA immediately began citing the advisory as evidence that the trailers were safe.

De Rosa said he protested immediately that the CDC should have more aggressively warned of health risks, but the agency didn't include broader warnings about longer-term health risks, including for cancer.

But it wasn't until February 2008 that the CDC released preliminary results from additional testing showing that FEMA trailers and mobile homes had formaldehyde levels that were, on average, about five times higher than in most modern homes.

The CDC urged people to move as quickly as possible, prompting FEMA to say it would rush to find new housing for some 35,000 families still living in the trailers.

As they have done previously, De Rosa's bosses at the toxic substances agency, director Howard Frumkin and deputy director Thomas Sinks, acknowledged that the agency took too long to address the formaldehyde hazard, in part because little is known about its risks.

But they said there was never any effort to silence De Rosa or mislead the public.

"I regret that our initial work on formaldehyde in trailers did not meet our own expectations," Frumkin said. "In some respects, we could and should have done better."

The agency is reviewing its procedures, he said, and is planning a five-year study of children who lived in the trailers in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas.

Subcommittee Chairman Brad Miller, D-N.C., called De Rosa a whistleblower, noting that the nearly 30-year employee was recently removed from his job and assigned to another division.

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Saint Thomas Aquinas wrote elaborately about the purpose and job of the soul. Scientists can now prove many of the traits and tasks Aquinas attributed to the soul to be brain functions, Murphy said.

"I would elaborate on this claim by emphasizing that these are capacities enabled by our complex neural systems, in interaction with cultural resources, and also resulting from our interaction with God," Murphy said.

An example of this, she said, is emotion, which Aquinas attributed to the soul. Scientists now know, however, that emotion is controlled by the temporal lobe of the brain. When it is damaged a person can recognize an object, but not always the emotional significance behind the object, Murphy said.

Murphy did concede, however, that there is really no way of knowing whether humans have a soul.

"It is important to note that no such accumulation of data can ever amount to a proof that there is no mind or soul," Murphy said.

Nonetheless the concept of the soul is one that Murphy believes Christians can and should do without. This, she said, is not a question of science but rather one of history. When Aquinas was being translated from Hebrew to Greek, some of the Hebrew words were translated in terms of Greek philosophy, Murphy said.

"The clearest instance of this is the Hebrew word nephesh, which was translated as psyche in the Septuagint and later translated into English as 'soul.' Murphy said. "It is now widely agreed that nephesh did not mean what later Christians meant by 'soul.'"

Murphy went on to speculate that perhaps women would have been better off had early Christians not believed in body-soul dualism, the idea that humans have both a body and soul.

She said the soul was respected over the body, and women were more associated with their bodies, making them of less value than the men who were in tune with their souls.

Though Murphy does not believe in the soul, she said this does not also mean a disbelief in God. She said while "physicalism" refers to both the human person as a lack of spiritual realities, she treats the phrase to refer only to the human person.

"Physicalistic anthropology has no implications regarding the existence of God," Murphy said.

To wrap up her lecture, Murphy said the physical make-up of humans does not limit their ability to feel emotions.

"My goal here has been to show that our status as embodied creatures in no way contradicts the fact of our sociality," Murphy said. "It does not undermine our ability to attain the highest heights of reflective thought, or our capacity to be sustained by deep emotions and motivations."

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the Notre Dame community," Jenkins said in the statement. Cardinal McCarrick, the archbishop of Newark, N.J. for the 14 years before his appointment in Washington, was also chancellor of the Catholic University of America as well as president of the Board of Trustees of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the statement said.

As an archbishop, Cardinal McCarrick has placed a great deal of emphasis on education, vocation and serving the needs of immigrants and low-income families, the statement said.

A member of the board of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and chairman of the CRS Foundation, Cardinal McCarrick also has served on the Administration of the Papacy and served for the Vatican as well as the United States Commission for International Religious Freedom, the statement said.

The University did not com­mend on other candidates considered for speaking at the Commencement exercises.

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performing in comedy clubs and was going to have to cen­ sor her show so as not to offend the audience, which included a few children here, she said.

She said she has thought of a couple of backup plans in case her major in social work does not lead to a job after graduation. Possibilities include driv­ing a party bus or train­ing an olympic diver.

"Random? Yes. Fun. Even more so," Jabbers said. She said she has also been told she should con­sider a career as a stand-up comic on the side, which is why her f r i e n d, who signed her up for the event.

"I told my mom I want to be a stand-up comic and she said ‘Well that’s going to save us about 90 thousand dollars in the end.’ Jabbers joked. "I told her I was going to do it at Saint Mary’s and she said ‘Damn, that doesn’t work.’"

Brady then took the stage and introduced herself with what she has come to call one of her taglines, "I’m Erin Brady, she said. "Yes, Brady, like the Bunch and the Quinn."

She said she’s used that line on many occasions to mixed responses. "It really smooths things over with the lunch ladies in the dining hall, but not the cops at Notre Dame when you’re getting arrested for public intox­ication," she said. Brady said she loves, lives and feeds off of celebrity gossip and hoped to be on VH1’s celebrity pop culture trivia game one day. She also found out that doing math was a part of the applica­tion process. She said she finds it interest­ing when gossip magazines and television shows report on the behaviors of celebrities like Lindsey Lohan.

"I think it’s funny that the media is so obsessed with her," she said. "They’ll report that al 21-year-old is drinking and hooking up with random guys and I’m like yeah that’s so weird... I’m so glad no one is taping me."

Price closed the half-hour long show with jokes about the environment at Saint Mary’s and her annoy­ance at the way people act in certain situations.

When Saint Mary’s is recruiting new students, they send pictures of the beautiful campus, Price said.

"When they send you the pictures they don’t tell you about the crazy animals on campus," she said. She told a story of how she saw two deer as she was walking across campus one day and as she mentioned them to her friend on the phone the deer popped up, seemed to recog­nize that she was talking about them and then proceeded to charge towards her.

"When was the last time you heard of deadly assault by a deer," she said. Price offered the explanation that Notre Dame girls sneak onto campus to feed the deer cocain to prevent Saint Mary’s girls from stealing their boyfriends.

BOG
Gr USCinski, Fa lvey prepare for office

By ASHLEY CHARNLEY
News Writer

Saint Mary’s Board of Governance (BOG) packed into its conference room with twice its usual number of Turner freshmen, for its first meeting next week.

Mickey Gruscinski, the new student body president, and Sarah Falvey, the new student body vice-president will take over next week along with new executives and commissioners.

Student body president Kim Hodges said the incoming board will officially take office the last Friday of March in the Student Center lounge.

Rebecca Rosswurm, president of the Psychology National Honor Society, Psi-CH, and pres­i­dent Loretta Rodts also attended the BOG meeting to request funds for a co-sponsorship. Eight students from the psychology department are going to attend the Midwest Psychology Association’s Conference in Chicago from May 1-3.

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"After hosting Karaoke Idol last fall we found that sponsoring different events on campus and teaching students the importance of philanthropy to the college we’ve gotten much more of a student response."

Beth McKevitt
Senior gift chair

Coffee at the Como
For Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning Students at Notre Dame

Thur­sday, April 3
7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
316 Coleman-Morse

The Gay and Lesbian Students presents Coffee at the Como for all members. Please join us for a great event that will be held at Notre Dame Center for Student Activities.

To register, please call 631-5323.
Britain delays Iraqi troop cuts

50 percent increase in monthly death toll freezes British plans to withdraw soldiers

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Britain from plans to withdraw close to half of its 4,000 combat troops in Baghdad this spring after the faltering of efforts to drive Shiite militias from Basra raised doubts about the country's ability to maintain security in oil-rich southern Iraq. The British decision was announced in London one week before the top U.S. commander in Iraq appears before Congress to offer his recommendation on how fast America should draw down its own forces. Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Monday in Copenhagen, Denmark that last week's violence in Shiite-dominated Basra had altered American plans to withdraw more combat forces by July. But second thoughts about the security situation in Iraq emerged as U.S. government reported a 50 percent rise in the number of people killed in March over previous months. Much of the increase was a result of the fighting between Iraq government forces and Shiite militias in Basra. The conflict quickly spread, engulfing Basra and major cities throughout the Shiite south. Britain had planned to draw down its own forces, which numbered more than 4,000 in March, by July. But several months ago it was reported that al-Qaeda in Iraq used the Basra fighting as a staging ground to launch attacks in other areas of the country. In his opening statement, Liam Fox, British foreign office spokesperson, said it was “not acceptable for us to end mopping up when we have a say in what operations are being carried out, and how they are being carried out.” It appears that our commanders had just 48 hours notice and they yet had to deploy more than one battle group with tanks, armored vehicles and artillery to try to dislodge the gunmen from their strongholds. Britain’s opposition Conservative party defense spokesman, Iain Fox, complained that the Iraqis had not fully consulted their coalition partners before launching the operation. Fox said it was “not acceptable for us to end mopping up when we have a say in what operations are being carried out, and how they are being carried out.” It appears that our commanders had just 48 hours notice and they yet had to deploy more than one battle group with tanks, armored vehicles and artillery to try to dislodge the gunmen from their strongholds. Britain’s opposition Conservative party defense spokesman, Iain Fox, complained that the Iraqis had not fully consulted their coalition partners before launching the operation. Fox said it was “not acceptable for us to end mopping up when we have a say in what operations are being carried out, and how they are being carried out.” It appears that our commanders had just 48 hours notice and they yet had to deploy more than one battle group with tanks, armored vehicles and artillery to try to dislodge the gunmen from their strongholds.

Iraqi forces display a picture of top security official, Salim Qassim, during a funeral in Najaf Tuesday. Increased violence has caused Britain to delay planned troop cuts.

Iraq

Trial begins over alleged U.S. troops attack

Associated Press

TOLEDO, Ohio — A government informant spent about three years secretly recording three men as they plotted an imminent and disastrous terrorist attempt to attack U.S. and allied troops overseas, a federal prosecutor said Tuesday.

Defense attorneys alleged in opening statements that the informant made up the technique of planting a phone tap to get his government "gravy train" going. The government has dropped its case against the three, who prosecutors said were recording having conversations about making explosives, recruiting others to help in the plot and raising money to fund their intentions.

"These defendants are going to tell you what was in their mind and in their hearts in the recordings, prosecutor Thomas Getz told jurors in his opening statement. "You’re going to hear them on more than one occasion celebrating the deaths of American soldiers."

Mohammad Zaki Amawi, Marwan Othman El-Hindi and Wassim I. Mazloum are accused of conspiring to kill or maim people outside the United States, including military personnel in Iraq. They face a maximum penalty of life in prison if convicted.

Amawi’s attorney, Timothy Ivey, told jurors that the informant received $350,000 to work with the government and that he concealed the conversations about training for a holy war overseas. The three were never recorded saying they had agreed to kill American soldiers or helping others do it, he said.

"This case is about a convicted and misplaced effort on the part of the government to go out and find terror cells, and create terror cells if you cannot find one," Ivey said.

Prosecutors said the informant who fooled the plot is Darren Griffin, who spent 14 years in the military before a knee injury ended his career. Authorities previously identified him only as the “trainer.”

Griffin spent time in the Middle East in the military and while there gained knowledge of Islam. He began working with the FBI and later befriended the three men at a Toledo mosque, Getz said.
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sentatives that attendance at meetings is important.
"It's really important for you to be here and be here on time," Geist told COR members.
COR also unanimously approved a number of individuals for new positions. Most of the nominations were approved with little debate.
Only junior Denise Bayona was not approved as director of programming for SUB because of a rule in the constitution that forbids individuals from holding two positions at once.
Bayona was recently elected vice president of Walsh Hall.
Director of internal affairs Shanna Gast and co-directors of external affairs Kathleen Donohue and Jeff Lakusta were all approved as non-voting members of COR.
The Council also approved freshman Michael Yassay as student government policy branch controller, sophomore Whitney Toole as SUB secretary, junior Laura Srebro as SUB's director of publicity, junior Sam McDonald as SUB's director of operations and junior Evan Lin as SUB's chief controller.
"I think it is safe to say that with what is going on with the economy, our Office of Financial Aid is totally involved and doing a great job with individual families who are concerned with the cost of education," he said. "Our need-based packages going out are going to be competitive with other universities aid packages."
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nic minority background and 4 percent are international students.
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Admitted students, including those who were accepted under the University's non-binding early action consideration plan, have until May 1 to accept or decline their offer of admission.
In the past, around 56 to 58 percent of admitted students chose to enroll at Notre Dame, Saracino said. In comparison to other Universities, he said, Notre Dame falls just behind other top-tier peer institutions such as Harvard, Stanford, Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Columbia and MIT in terms of the number of admitted students who enroll.
It may be harder to gauge whether the yield figures will stay consistent this year because peer schools such as Harvard and Princeton eliminated early admissions. There might be greater uncertainty as to whether students who initially saw those institutions as their first choice schools will still consider Notre Dame come the May 1 deadline.
"Our yield might go down, but Notre Dame still has one of the top ten best yields of any university, and we are very optimistic about our financial aid progress and Notre Dame's strong performance as a truly national university," Saracino said.
The Admissions Committee has also offered spots on the waiting list to 1,000 applicants, Saracino said. Last year, about 175 students were selected from the waiting list, and Saracino hoped the University, "can admit these students because they are very similar academically to students admitted initially."
The Office of Undergraduate Admissions will hold open houses for admitted students on April 10, 17 and 24.
This weekend, admissions will kick off Spring Visitation Weekend for ethnic minority students from all over the U.S., followed by the Febre Visitation weekend for the most academically talented students, Saracino said.
The newest addition to this year's admissions programs will also be the Houston International Scholar's program this upcoming weekend, where 20 international students from Latin America will be invited to experience Notre Dame and stay with a current international student host, Saracino said.
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WASHINGTON — Under growing pressure from voters to do something about the nation’s housing foreclosure crisis, top Senate leaders Tuesday cleared the way for JP Morgan Chase & Co. to acquire Bear Stearns Bank & Trust, operating in the state, controlling deposits of approximately $398 million, the Fed said. Upon completion of this acquisition, JP Morgan would remain the country’s third-largest bank, the Fed said.

Fed approves JP Morgan acquisition
WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve on Tuesday cleared the way for JP Morgan Chase & Co. to acquire Bear Stearns’ bank holdings.

The approval allows JP Morgan to acquire Bear Stearns Bank & Trust in Princeton, N.J., the Fed said.

In a controversial move, the Fed last month barked a $29 billion lifetime as part of JP Morgan’s takeover of troubled Bear Stearns, the nation’s fifth-largest investment house, which was on the brink of bankruptcy. The company had invested heavily in risky mortgage-backed securities that eventually soured with the collapse of the housing market.

JP Morgan is not required to obtain the Fed’s prior approval to acquire Bear Stearns Co., the Fed said in a brief statement.

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Peter Robertson of Chevron, left, accompanied by John Love of ConocoPhillips, right, testifies on Capitol Hill Tuesday before a House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Wall Street surges with early stock news
NEW YORK — Wall Street began the second quarter with a big rally Tuesday as investors rushed back into stocks, optimistic that the worst of the credit crisis has passed and that the economy is faring better than expected.

The Dow rose 391.47, or 3.19 percent, to 12,654.36. It marked the eighth-biggest point gain ever for the Dow, and the third time in two weeks it came close to or surpassed 400 points.

Broader stock indicators also gained. The Standard & Poor’s 500 index rose 47.48, or 3.59 percent, to 1,370.18 — the index’s best start to a second quarter since 1935. And, the Nasdaq composite index rose 83.65, or 3.67 percent, to 2,362.72.

The advance was in contrast to a lackluster session on Monday, where stocks managed a moderate gain in the final session of a dismal first quarter. Major indexes ended the first three months of 2008 with massive losses, marking the worst period since the final session of 1992 when Wall Street was approaching the lowest point of a protracted bear market.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Don’t blame the industry, their lawyers told a skeptical Congress.

Top executives of the country’s five biggest oil companies said Tuesday they view record fuel prices as hurting people, but they argued it’s not their fault and their huge profits are in line with other industries.

Appiring before a House committee, the executives were pressed to explain why they should continue to get billions of dollars in tax breaks when they made $123 billion last year and motorists are paying rising gasoline prices at the pump.

“On April Fool’s Day, the biggest joke of all is being played on American families by Big Oil,” Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., said, aiming his remarks at the five executives sitting shoulder-to-shoulder in a congressional hearing room.

“Our earnings, although high in absolute terms, need to be viewed in the context of the scale and cyclical, long-term nature of our industry as well as the huge investment requirements,” said J.S. Simon, senior vice president of Exxon Mobil Corp., which made a record $40 billion last year.

“We depend on high earnings during the up cycle to sustain investment over the down cycle, including the down cycles,” he continued.

The up cycle has been going on too long, suggested Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, D-Mo. “The anger level is rising significantly.”

Alluding to the fact that Congress often doesn’t rate very high in opinion polls, Cleaver told the executives:

“Our approval rating is lower than yours, and that means you’re down low.”

The companies argued record fuel prices are not their fault, consistent with industry spokesmen.

“What’s been felt? Moreover, the banks’ long-term role was felt significantly,” he continued.

Analysts believe there must be a recovery in bank and brokerages to make some bets that the worst of the credit crisis has passed and that the economy is faring better than expected.

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Dalai Lama, Tibet accused of violence

Associated Press

BEIJING — China has branded the Dalai Lama a "wolf in monk's robes" and his followers the "scum of Buddhism." It stepped up the rhetoric Tuesday, accusing the Nobel Peace laureate and his supporters of planning suicide attacks.

The Tibetan government-in-exile swiftly denied the charge, and the Bush administration rushed to the Tibetan Buddhist leader's defense, calling him "a man of great moral integrity." There is absolutely no indication that he wants to do anything other than have a dialogue with China on how to discuss the serious issues between the two countries, the State Department spokesman Tom Casey said.

Wu Heping, spokesman for China's Ministry of Public Security, claimed searches of monasteries in the Tibetan capital Lhasa turned up a large cache of weapons. They included 176 guns, 13,013 bullets, 7,725 pounds of explosives, 19,000 sticks of dynamite and 350 knives, he said.

"To our knowledge, the next plan of the Tibetan independent forces is to organize suicide squads to launch violent attacks," Wu told a news conference. "They claimed that they fear neither bloodshed nor sacrifice."

Wu provided no details or evidence. He used the term "guo xi," a rarely used phrase directly translated as "diare-to-die out" or "squirrel." An English version of his remarks translated the term as "suicide squads.",

Wu said police had arrested an individual who he claimed was an operative of the "Dalai Lama clique," responsible for gathering intelligence and distributing pamphlets calling for an uprising.

The suspect admitted to using code words to communicate with his contacts, including "uncle" for the Dalai Lama and "skirt" for the banned Tibetan snow lion flag. Wu said.

Beijing has repeatedly accused the Dalai Lama and his supporters of orchestrating violence in Lhasa, the Tibetan capital. Protests which began peacefully there on the March 10 anniversary of a 1959 uprising against Chinese rule spiraled out of control four days later.

Chinese officials have put the death toll at 22, most of them Han Chinese; the government-in-exile says 140 Tibetans were killed.

China also says sympathy protests that spread to surrounding provinces are part of a campaign by the Dalai Lama to sabotage the Beijing Olympics and promote Tibetan independence.

The 72-year-old Dalai Lama has condemned the violence and denied any links to it, saying it was an independent international inquiry into the unrest.

Tibetan exile leaders have 100 percent commitment to nonviolence. There is no question of suicide attacks," Tenzin Gyatso, prime minister of the government-in-exile in Dharmasala, India, said Tuesday. "But we fear that Chinese might misinterpret as Tibetans and plan such attacks to give bad publicity to Tibet."

Experts on terrorism and security risks facing Beijing and the Olympics have not cited any "Tibet group as a threat.

Scholars said the claim of suicide squads was a calculated move by China allowing it to step up its crackdown in Tibetan areas.

"There is no evidence of support for any kind of violent confrontation against China or Chinese," said Dhnyab Thondup, a Tibet expert at Westminster University in London.

Instead, Beijing is "portraying to the rest of China and the rest of the world: these people are basically irrational" and that there was no room for compromise, he said.

Tuesday's accusations could also further divide the Tibetan government-in-exile and other groups like the Tibetan Youth Congress, which has challenged the Dalai Lama's policy of nonviolence, Anand said.

"This is a way of pressuring the Dalai Lama to renounce Tibetans who have created violence," he said.

Andrew Fischer, a fellow at the London School of Economics who researches Chinese development policies in Tibetan areas of China, dismissed Wu's warnings as "completely ridiculous.",

What China is trying to do is "justify this massive troop deployment, a massive crackdown on Tibetan areas and they're trying to justify intensification of hard-line policies," Fischer said.

Beijing has accused of violence, a woman had confessed to attempting to hijack a plane from Xinjiang in what officials said was part of a terrorist campaign by a radical Islamic independence group, the East Turkistan Islamic Movement. The reports said the woman was from China'sTurkic Uighur minority.

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While the United States has labeled the East Turkistan Islamic Movement a terrorist organization, the State Department alleges widespread abuses of the legal and educational systems by the Chinese authorities to suppress Uighur culture and religion.

Fischer said China has tried to change the "nonviolent, comparative image of Tibetans into one of violence and brutality to draw parallels to the pro-independence stance in Xinjiang."

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U.S. negotiates military defense deal with Russia

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COPENHAGEN — Scrambling to seal a missile defense deal this week, the Bush administration is offering guarantees to assure the Russians that the system will not impact European military threat at their door.

A key pledge: The U.S. won't activate new sites in Poland and the Czech Republic until the Bush administration proves itself an imminent threat to Europe by test-flying a missile capable of reaching the continent.

A broader but less-specific agreement seems assured when President Bush sits down with Russian President Vladimir Putin on Sunday in the Black Sea resort of Sochi. That would be a "strategic framework" for relations between the two countries after Bush and Putin leave office.

But the challenge for both countries to think there could be a bigger breakthrough, on the defense system, is whether Putin, who has said he would sign a "security framework" for relations with Russia and Putin, would say this is among the high-priority issues that future administrations should address, along with NATO.

Putin is to be succeeded as president in March 2012 by Dmitry Medvedev, and Bush will leave office in January.

In remarks prepared for delivery Wednesday in Bucharest, Bush said "if the two sides agree on solutions in those areas, for example, it probably would not include a Russian statement in support of U.S. missile defense in Europe. I would say this is among the high-priority issues that future administrations should address, along with NATO.

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Russia's former interior minister, in an interview, said Russia was prepared to support its planned missile defense system.

"The need for missile defense in Europe is real and it is urgent," he said. "Iran is pursuing technology that could be used to produce nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles of increasing range that could deliver them to Europe."

The framework probably would mention missile defense as well as future arms reductions negotiations, although it would not nec-


Cuba encourages consumer goods

Associated Press

HAVANA — Cubans snapped up DVD players, motorbikes and pressure cookers Wednesday for the first time Tuesday as Raúl Castro's new government loosened controls on consumer goods and invited private entrepreneurs to start small-scale factories and sell other crops on unused state land.

Combined with other reforms announced in recent weeks, the measures suggest real changes are being driven by the new president, who vowed when he took over from his brother Fidel to remove some of the more irksome limitations on the daily lives of Cubans.

"Cuban people can't survive on the salaries people are paying them," he said. "Women have been screaming that at the top of their lungs for many years," said Feris Masaud-Piñero, director of the Center for the Study of Cuban-US. Relations at DePaul University. "Now after many years, the government is listening."

Many of the shoppers filling stores Tuesday had long feared the worst. But if there's a lesson, it's that the fact that the goods are unaffordable on the government payroll means they are likely to be imported and available only to foreigners and companies.

"They should have done this a long time ago," one man said as he left a store with a red and silver electric motorbike that cost $814. The Chinese-made bikes come with an electric cord and had been banned for general sale because officials feared they would place a strain on the power grid.

On Monday, Cuban Tourism Minister announced that any Cuban with enough money can now register to buy electronics, motor vehicles, refrigerator, TVs and a host of other items that clerks across Havana insisted would appear only after the government bought desktop computers retailing for around $3,000.

Cuba's communist system was founded on promoting equality and concern for society, but that doesn't mean Cubans can buy as much as they want. Mercedes Orta, who rushed to buy at the new products, said, "We just want to do living comfortably," she shouted.

Lines outside electronics boutiques and specialty shops are common in Cuba because the government limits how many people can buy each product at a time. But waits were longer and aisles more packed than usual at Havana's best-known stores.

"DDVs are over there, down that aisle," an employee in a store that sells cell phones and TVs said. The waits were even longer and aisles more packed than usual at Havana's best-known stores.

"Very good!" DVD players on sale Tuesday. "I can understand the fact that the goods are unaffordable on the government payroll means they are likely to be imported and available only to foreigners and companies."

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Olympic boycott a personal choice

Recent events in Tibet have intensified calls for a boycott of the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing. The United States has seen increased pressure from human rights groups but broad bipartisan support for the Beijing Games is unlikely to change, and this past week—end, both Nancy Pelosi and Condoleezza Rice reiterated that the U.S. would not pursue a boycott.

For one, our government officials are doing something right, minding their own business and refraining from making a decision that isn’t theirs to make. As with all things, the decision to boycott the Olympics should be a matter of individual choice, not government coercion.

A boycott of the Olympics punishes athletes who have spent many years in training and made countless sacrifices to get to the top of their sport. American athletes shouldn’t be forced to abandon lifelong goals so that our political elite can satisfy their arrogant opportunism.

Furthermore, past experience has shown that Olympic boycotts do not bring about political change. The Soviet Union in 1980 and the U.S. in 1984 both emerged from their respective Games with an even greater sense of pride. A boycott of the Beijing Olympics by the U.S. would be seen by the Chinese people as an unjust attack on their country.

It would likely strengthen the Chinese regime at home and fan the flames of nationalism.

Even if the U.S. wanted to boycott the Games, it would have a hard time justifying it without sounding hypocritical. Human rights activists argue that China’s support for the Sudan and its unwillingness to pressure the Sudanese government to bring reconciliation to Darfur is reason enough for an Olympic boycott. China buys two-thirds of Sudan’s oil exports and in turn, sells weapons to the Sudanese government. However, China’s military and economic support for Sudan is hardly different from our military and economic support for repressive and unpopular governments in Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and Pakistan.

China is also repeatedly criticized for domestic human rights violations, including its suppressions of political dissidents, restrictions on freedom of the press, and discrimination against ethnic minorities. Yet as long as the U.S. authorizes unjust war, rendition, torture, capital punishment, and domestic spying, its rhetoric on human rights will sound a lot like self-righteous grandstanding. China’s one-child policy is considered by many to be authoritarian and morally repugnant, but it is no less benign than the United States’ sanction of the 1.2 million abortions that are performed in our country every year.

Undoubtedly, China’s abuses are of a greater degree than ours, but there can be no denying that America’s foreign policy tactics and failure to uphold basic civil rights has resulted in the loss of our moral credibility within the international community.

Until the U.S. gets its own house in order, we will have trouble convincing China to do the same to theirs.

The absence of a government-man­
dated boycott does not prohibit any­
one from boycotting the Games under their own will. Corporations have the right to pull their sponsorship, individual athletes can choose to sit out, and sports fans all over the world have the right not to watch the Games.

Several European politicians have already rejected invitations to attend the opening ceremonies. German Chancellor Angela Merkel announced on Friday that she would not be attending the opening ceremonies, while Nicolas Sarkozy and Gordon Brown are determining whether they will follow suit. These politicians understand that the decision to boy­
cott the Games is an individual choice and they will not make their county­
s suffer for their own political agenda.

If the international community has learned anything from the unease surrounding the upcoming Olympics, it’s that they should not have reward­
ed China with the Games in the first place. Back in 2001, the IOC chose China as host for the 2008 Olympics because they thought the Games would encourage openness. In the future, the IOC should wait until a country commits to openness, and then reward them with the Olympics. But for now, we should let the Games begin.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Whoever tries to imagine perfection simply reveals his own emptiness." —George Orwell

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On March 23, the University of Iowa regained its place in American collegiate wrestling. Behind Brent Metcalf, 2008 NCAA 125-pound national champion, the Iowa Hawkeyes defeated Ohio State 22-17. This win marks the 10th national wrestling title won by the Hawkeyes’ wrestling team, and it is the second consecutive year that Iowa has defeated Ohio State.

As implemented, the NCAA’s policy of gender equity through Title IX, which requires that no program or activity received federal funds must recognize an equal opportunity for both men and women, has led to a decrease in the number of female athletes in collegiate sports. With regards to women’s wrestling, the sport was dominated by the Soviet bloc. The Hawkeyes, led by legendary wrestler Dan Gable, have been the driving force behind the resurgence of women’s wrestling in the United States.

Now the Hawkeyes reign again, led by Dan Gable, the legendary wrestler who won an Olympic gold medal while not surrendering a single point during the tournament, at a time when the sport was dominated by the Soviet bloc. The Hawkeyes have been the driving force behind the resurgence of women’s wrestling in the United States.

The situation would be hotly debated if the right to compete were not surrendered to girls in the first place. The legislation, particularly at places like ND, generates revenue and publicity for their schools. Moreover, high school championships often go to recipients whose families have used the sport as a means of higher education. As for the justification I often hear heard bandied about in guys’ dorms, that female athletes serve the important role of “comfort women” for the football team, every if the reason were true, the football team would perform better without such “com­fort.

Obviously, I’m not entirely sold on athletic scholarships for sports like football and basketball which earn money and profits for the school, and maybe, even I think the scholarship should be need-based. But if ND’s going to give out other scholarships, then it ought to have a real basis in return.

I don’t have space for the defense­ wrestling deserves, of course, this no-party apostate. But I do believe wrestling, more than any other mainstream sport, develop­ sophomores than it helps to keep someone good and noble man. Someone who doesn’t even have what it takes to stop on a wrestling mat without his teammates, in front of many eyes, knowing he might get seriously hurt — even worse, terribly humiliated — how can he be expected to do the right thing in life? Wrestling’s hopelessly work­class, God bless it, and wrestlers are vastly over-represented in the armed forces. For me, it was well worth the injuries, eating disorders, and cauliflower ear (no two last two aren’t related).

ND needs a wrestling team and it needs wrestling. But I don’t think ND could bring back wrestling because it’s right, and I certainly don’t expect ND to court the dis­approving of the federal government — the Church, sure, but not the Holy Government. So here’s a solution. Make wrestling co-ed. Allow women to try out the team. Of course, none will make it (those who would be encouraged to com­tact me: re: wrestling); but it would be impossible to claim women weren’t denied these scholarships on the basis of sex.

I hope readers won’t conclude I have some animus against women’s sports — I don’t. I enjoy going to women’s golf, volleyball, and basketball games as an undergrad, and since she was (my I tried to push my niece into soccer (she’s always preferred kittens and puppies). It’s a hallmark of political correctness, though, that it pits one group against another. There’s no inherent rivalry between women’s and men’s sports — in a perfect world, women’s sports would pay no attention to women’s tennis programs, like everyone else. But Title IX creates resentment where there was none before, just as “affirmative action” what an exquisitely Orwellian term! makes competitors out of minorities, and as Star­lark—hope-and—our—salvation would put it, “a typical white person” like me. 

Letters to the Editor

Vaginasburg

I like most of the Notre Dame community, eagerly anticipate the 71st and 22nd Viewpoint articles that will be published tomorrow focusing on the controversy surrounding the recent performance of the Vagina Monologues. This is a very impor­tant topic that needs to be discussed, for we all know that this issue significantly affects our daily lives.

For example, few know that Eve Enderlin herself orchestrated the suicide bomber attack 8 years ago on the White House, continues to be a vote against the pro­life cause. A vote for a democrat is a vote for a House or Senate member who believes in abortion as a matter of “reproductive rights” or a House member who believes in abortion as a matter of “reproductive justice” and a fundamental right and expect to have a pro-life direction.

Donnelly’s “no” votes are undeniable, but it was his vote for Pelosi that created the necessity for such a vote — and foreclosed the possibility of a “yes” vote on any life-protective laws. Same goes for voting for a pro abortion president, as Obama and Clinton have both promised nominees to the Supreme Court who will continue to support Roe. Pro-life voters would do well to remember that in November.

Stephen Wallace

Defining pro-life

Congressman Joe Donnelly’s visit to the law school last week and the accompanying article in The Observer (“Donnelly expands pro-life definition,” Mar. 27) made the often-seen but critical error of expand­ing the definition to the point that it means everything — and therefore means nothing. Donnelly argued that school lunches, job creation, and welfare checks to pregnant mothers are just as much “pro-life” issues as abortion, embryo-destructive research, and euthanasia.

There is certainly an appeal to his logic, since one can easily see that kids who eat have a better life than kids who don’t, that families whose parents have jobs generally have better lives than those that don’t, and pregnant women who get government support may choose abortion over those that don’t.

That appeal, however, evaporates when you take that logic to its conclusion. Are federal highway bills making highways more safe and efficient — thus prevent­ing accidents and encouraging job creation — therefore “pro-life”? How about gun safety regulation?

Warnings on cigarette cartons? Free trade (or protec­tionism)?

You can literally attach a “pro-life” moniker to every good or bad or medium-rare idea that a politician has using Donnelly’s definition. A “definition” with no lim­i­tating principle is no definition at all. Pro-life is a pretty general term if used in a vacuum, but in 2008, 35 years after Roe, 16 years after Casey, and in the con­text of the fight to preserve the right to life itself that has followed, it is not. It is subject to abortion, euthanasia, and embryo-destructive research. It means stopping the destruction of life, not making those that are already here better.
In his seventh solo offering, Bob Mould gives us "District Line." Well crafted, it is a welcome follow-up to 2005's "Body of Song," featuring more of the rocking and thrashing sounds that made Mould a legend in bands such as Husker Dü and Sugar. Teaming up with the explosive energy of Fugazi drummer Brendan Canty, Mould uses "District Line" to make a triumphant return to the live band-sounding experience to produce a ten song record that is as animated, pulsing and unswerving as anything Mould has done before.

What Mould does as a writer and musician is not so different from the tried and true hit-making methods of almost any other successful rocker. He finds a few catchy chords and melodies, writes emotive lyrics to go along with the music and then infuses his own soul and spirit into the words and tabs on the page to make the songs live and breathe on their own.

At this point in his career, there is an added element to the recording on "District Line" that is distinctly Mould. After years of personal strife and confusion, Mould seems to be a happily adjusted gay American man in his late 40s. No longer struggling to keep his most private details out of the public eye, Mould now engages with his music and his listeners in a liberating and exciting expression of freedom; freedom to become the person that one is intrinsically designed to be and to share the unique art that only that person can create.

The first track on the record, "Stupid Now," is the throbbing rock track Husker and Sugar fans have been thirsting. The song gives voice to a man working out his clearly conflicting feelings about sharing and saying too much from the heart to someone who sadly does not care enough.

The first verse is delivered in a decidedly straightforward nature, with each following verse becoming more and more digitized and echoed. The words bound across the indelible space of the song, receiving no response from the one desired listener. Mould finishes by belting out repeatedly in a full shout, "Haven't I been enough of a fool for you? / Everything I say to you feels stupid now." It is raw rock-and-roll music, yet also deeply emotional and sad, which makes it rather distinctly brilliant.

A few of the songs can run the fine line of being a bit too cliche. The lyrics, while coming from an honest well of inspiration, do at times feel a bit junior high sentimental and sweet. One particularly enjoyable line, which is just a bit weak for Mould's, is found on the track "Old Highs New Lows" as he sings, "We lock the gaze tightly upon each other/ No others come near, no others come between." With so many depressing sentiments shared across the tracks of the record, such lyrics are a welcome, if momentary, respite from the obvious emotional tribulations being so honestly shared.

Overall, it's a great record. It moves along with refreshing speed and musical punch, not allowing the listener much time to dwell on any one song or moment before being thrust into a new sphere of sound and lyric sensation. Mould has created a record that tells us its okay to be sad, just like its okay to sometimes be alone, especially when its not the shallow impulses of others, but only ourselves, who can bring us out of the darkness of melancholy and into the fresh light of new experience and new day.

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Mozart, Beethoven and Brahms are undeniably some of the world's most famous and skillful composers, and on one night, they will be on Notre Dame's campus. Not literally, of course, but rather through the skillful interpretation of the University of Notre Dame Chorale and Chamber Orchestra.

The performance, which starts tonight at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center, will also feature work by Byrd, Tallis, Wagner and portions of Stravinsky's Mass.

The Notre Dame Chorale is the official concert choir of the University. It features an ensemble of 55 voices and ranges in its performances from work from the Renaissance to modernity. Each semester, in addition to performing concerts around the country, the group performs in conjunction with the Notre Dame Chamber Orchestra. Alexander Blachly directs the group in its entirety. The concert will also feature guest pianist Paivi Ekroth.

Blachly is the 1992 recipient of the Noah Greenberg Award, an award given to stimulate historically aware performances and the student of historical performing practices. He holds a post-graduate degree in Musicology from Columbia University. In addition, he is the founder-director of the internationally renowned vocal ensemble Pomerium. He assumed his current role in 1993, and has received much acclaim during the ensuing 15 years.

In addition to teaching several courses in the Music Department, Blachly has also hosted a three-hour classical-music radio show on the University's radio station. For his work with the Notre Dame Chorale and Chamber Orchestra, Blachly is joined by graduate assistant Jared Ostermann.

The Notre Dame Chorale's events include campus concerts in both the Fall and Spring semesters, as well as a Winter Tour to cities around the country, an evening concert during Commencement Weekend and participation in the Baccalaureate Mass.

Every three or four years, the group travels internationally to countries such as Italy, France, Germany and New Zealand, where it is headed this summer.

The group is known for a selection of intriguing and impressive pieces from some of the most talented and well-known musicians from all periods of classical music. For this show, the group will open with the anthem "Sing joyfully" by William Byrd, before moving on to "God grant with grace" by Thomas Tallis. The rest of the program will feature work by Beethoven ("Aus Goethes Faust"), Brahms ("Die Mainacht"), Gioachino Rossini ("O salutaris Hostia") and others. The concert will end with the impressive "Vesperae solennes de Confessore, K. 339" written by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart when he was only 24.

Tickets are $10 for the general public, $8 for faculty/staff, $6 for senior citizens and $3 for all students. The performance runs approximately one hour with no intermission.

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Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Vladimir Guerrero and Garret Anderson got the Angels going, and the successful swinging didn't stop. Jon Garland was given quick work.

Guerrero and Anderson had six hits and five RBIs between them, and Garland breezed through his first start for Los Angeles with a 9-1 victory over the Minnesota Twins on Tuesday night.

"I'm not going to assume that's going to happen every time, but if it does I would absolutely love it," said Garland, who went eight innings and watched his team hammer out 15 hits.

Torii Hunter had another 0-for-4 night for the Angels against his old team, reaching base only when a ninth-inning pitch from Juan Rincon banged off his elbow. He was the only starter without a hit, but the two guys next to him in the lineup, and in front of him in the lineup, did plenty of damage.

Guerrero went 3-for-5 with a solo homer in a brief pregame ceremony honoring his father, Harlan, who attended the festivities Monday, the New York Yankees 3-2 win over Toronto on Tuesday.

Set to move next year into a ballpark's 84th opener: long-time broadcaster Bob Sheppard wasn't behind the microphone because he's recuperating from a brain biopsy last month. He had surgery in December 2006, four days after being diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor.

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Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter hugs manager Joe Girardi after the New York's 3-2 win over Toronto on Tuesday.

Guerrero and Anderson lead Angels to victory

Wang shuts down Blue Jays as New York claims record setting win in home opener at Yankee Stadium

Angels second baseman Howie Kendrick throws to first during Los Angeles' 9-1 victory over Minnesota Tuesday.
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UCLA's injuries leave room for new talent

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES – Ben Howland's worst fears came true before UCLA played its first game this season. Only 10 scholarship players were available and the coach was worried about injuries depleting his lineup.

Howland is known for wanting to control every last detail about his team and injuries were something he had no sway over.

"It really does impact what kind of year you're going to have if you're able to stay healthy," he said Tuesday.

The Bruins (35-3) overcame injuries to starters Darren Collison and Luc Richard Mbah a Moute and reserves Lorenzo Mata-Real and James Keefe, and now they're headed to a third consecutive Final Four on Saturday's national semifinal still hurting, although not tournament success.

"It shows how strong and deep we are," Keefe said.

Freshman Kevin Love nearly avoided the injury bug, hurting his back in the Pac-10 tournament. But that seems a distant memory since Love has anchored the Bruins' NCAA tournament success.

Mbah a Moute's left ankle is still hurting, although not big enough to keep him out of Saturday's national semifinal game against Memphis (37-1).

"Ever since my freshman year, this team has had people who can step up. We've had injuries a lot," he said.

Collison missed the season's first six games because of a sprained left knee. He was still wearing a brace that limited his movement when the Bruins lost for the first time, by two points to Texas.

Mbah a Moute missed a total of six games with a concussion and a sprained left ankle, which happened twice. Mata-Real missed two games because of a strained groin and a concussion. He's provided a valuable breather for Love after being the starting center on last year's Final Four team.

"We know how to respond to adversity, that's it," Collison said. "James Keefe stepped up in Luc's shoes when he was down. ... It seems like we do that every year. I hope it symbolizes what we do for the Final Four."

Michael Roll played in six games in December before rupturing a tendon in his left foot at the end of that month, causing him to redshirt the rest of the season. That forced Keefe into action after the sophomore thought he was going to redshirt and spend the season working to get back into condition from left shoulder surgery in August.

Now Roll is the cheerleader on the bench dressed in street clothes, while Keefe came up big with 18 points and 12 rebounds — both career highs — in an 88-78 victory over Western Kentucky in the West Region semifinals.

Keefe had already hinted at what he could do when Mbah a Moute got hurt during the Pac-10 tournament. Keefe came in and scored eight points and rebounded — both career highs — in an 85-78 victory over Western Kentucky in the West Region semifinals.

"Maybe if (Luc) doesn't hurt his ankle, we don't win against Western Kentucky because James is thrown in there without having the experience," Howland said.

Keefe's performance earned him national attention, but he wasn't exactly a slouch before that. The 6-foot-8 sophomore arrived in Westwood as a McDonald's All-American, but the shoulder surgery set him back as did a lack of minutes.

UCLA players Kevin Love, left, Russell Westbrook, center, Lorenzo Mata-Real, right, celebrate after defeating Stanford 67-64 on March 15 in the Pac-10 championship finals.
GOLF

Woods and Ochoa easily comparable

Associated Press

Tiger Woods and Lorena Ochoa are inevitably, and mostly accurate.

Woods gave the PGA Tour a two-week head start in Hawaii, made his debut at the Buick Invitational and won by eight shots. Ochoa also skippered the first two LPGA Tour events in Hawaii, started in Singapore at the HSBC Champions and won by 11.

Woods has won 15 times on the PGA Tour since the start of the 2006 season. Ochoa has 16 victories. They are No. 1 in their respective world ranking by more than double the margin of No. 2.

And over the next two weeks, both are overwhelming favorites to win the first major championship of the year.

But that's where the parallel paths come to a fork in the road.

Woods has four green jackets from the Masters, not to mention a career full of positive vibes at the majors. He captured the career Grand Slam at age 24, before he had completed four years on the PGA Tour.

Despite her dominance, Ochoa arrived at the Kraft Nabisco Championship to face some demons.

She loves Mission Hills, where she first played as a teenager. The affection she gets in the California desert rivals that of her native Mexico, with someone waving a red, white and green flag on just about every fairway. Ochoa sheepishly mentioned that she asked tournament officials for 100 tickets for her family and friends, and she was willing to pay for them.

"I have great memories, and I have a lot of support from people that comes from Mexico and cheer for me," Ochoa said Tuesday. "It's just somewhere that feels good. I'm ready to have a good week. I've been close a few times, and hopefully, this is the year."

She is being modest about close calls.

Ochoa should have won this major by now.

Two years ago, she tied an LPGA major record with a 10-under 62 in the opening round and still had a three-shot lead going into Sunday until a meltdown on the back nine. Ochoa recovered with an eagle on the final hole to get into a playoff against Karrie Webb, who won on the first extra hole.

Ochoa was tied for the lead going into the weekend last year and looked poised as ever until she missed the par-5 17th green, whiffed on a wedge, took three putts once she got on the green and took quadruple bogey that effectively knocked her out of the tournament.

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Great as she is, Ochoa's biggest challenge will be to bury those memories.

"I already erased them," she insisted. "I only feel good things about this course, and good vibes and good memories. Of course, you're going to make mistakes and have a few bad holes, like what happened on 17 last year. I struggled on holes 13, 14 and 15. They were holes that I played over par, and I'm going to work on those this year and make sure I play that stretch in a positive way."

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OKLAHOMA CITY — Even with an injured shoulder, Candace Parker was still able to lift Tennessee into another Final Four.

Parker scored 26 points and returned after dislocating her left shoulder to lead the Lady Vols out of a second-half deficit for a 53-45 win over Texas A&M in the Oklahoma City Regional final Tuesday night.

She twice left the game in the first half with the injury and she didn’t return until about halfway through the second half. She scored six of the Lady Vols’ points in an 8-0 run as they overcame a 42-37 deficit, all while wearing a brace to stabilize her left shoulder.

“I was just going to play as hard as I could and not to think about my shoulder and my situation,” Parker said. “I didn’t want this to be the last time that we played together.”

She scored only eight points in the second half, but it was enough to push the Lady Vols (34-2) ahead when combined with a sturdy defensive effort that kept Texas A&M (29-8) scoreless for a five-minute stretch. Even after returning from the locker room with the shoulder wrapped, she shot an airball on her first jumper from the foul line and then couldn’t convert a layup off a lob at the right block.

She turned a second alley-oop attempt into a successful layup, and that got the Lady Vols’ run going. Shañnun Bullock followed with two free throws, and Parker hit two of her own to put Tennessee ahead 43-42 with 5:44 to play. She went 1-for-2 on two successive trips to the foul line to stretch the lead to three.

“People, sometimes they see Candace as more of a finesse player but I think sometimes when you see finesse players, you don’t realize just how mentally tough they are until you see them fight through the adversity that she fought through tonight,” Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said.

After a free throw by the Aggies’ Takiia Starks, Parker lost the ball in the lane but was able to recover and pass to Alexis Hornbuckle for a deep 3-pointer that gave the Lady Vols a 48-43 edge with 48.8 seconds left.

“That was an interesting 3-ball,” Summitt said. “The thing about Alexis is she wants it so much.”
Indiana hires Crean away from Marquette

Associated Press

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Indiana University will hire Marquette's Tom Crean as its basketball coach and is expected to introduce him at a news conference Wednesday.

University trustee Philip Eskew confirmed the hiring. Eskew said Crean had signed a letter-of-intent with the university and was meeting with his team Tuesday night.

Team spokesman J.D. Campbell said a news conference was to be scheduled.

The hiring comes near the end of a tumultuous six-week period in which former Hoosiers coach Kelvin Sampson resigned amid an NCAA scandal, interim coach Dan Dakich replaced him and then lost four of seven games.

Dakich also suspended guard Jameus Ellis for disciplinary reasons for the Hoosiers' final game at Penn State, and announced Tuesday that Ellis and guard Terrence Allen will return after being punished for missing an appointment last week. When they didn't show up to run laps the next day, Dakich decided to dismiss them from the team.

On Monday, freshman Eric Gordon is expected to announce whether he will declare early for the NBA. Most figure, he's leaving, which would leave Indiana without all five of its regular starters from last season.

Outside the administration, the decision was greeted warmly, too. "I think it's a very good move," said Jared Jeffries, a former Indiana star who is now playing for the New York Knicks. "It's proven himself to be a successful college coach at this level, a very good recruiter, recognize talent. That's who we need at Indiana, we need somebody who is going to be stable, a foundation for our future."

Goodell to decide Pacman’s fate

Associated Press

PALM BEACH, Fla. — Suspended Tennessee Titans cornerback Pacman Jones might know by July whether he'll be playing NFL games in 2008. "I'll make a decision prior to the start of training camp," commissioner Roger Goodell said of possibly reinstating Jones, who was suspended for last season for violations of the personal-conduct policy. "I have seen some of his recent comments ... and some of those comments were encouraging. I have always said he has to accept responsibility for his actions."

Jones steed outside the church doors at Word of Faith Ministries on Tuesday, passing out almost 500 boxes of food and toiletries to needy families, a church in an impoverished area on the west side of Atlanta. Jones has learned from his actions for numerous arrests. "In the Bible it says, 'Let the kids everything I went through, so they won't have to,'" Goodell, who includes Jones' status among a plethora of topics he touched on at the owners meetings Monday, offered his most pointed comments yet on whether Jones' suspension will cross over into a second season.

Jones wants to play for the Cowboys and Dallas apparently wants to acquire him, but a source close to the negotiations says players would embrace Jones' return to the team.

"Dallas, they know the consequences [of a trade] and the status of the player," Goodell said Monday. "I don't feel any obligation to do more than I said, to reconsider his status. They have made no commitment.

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**Freshman Treece runs in Scotland**

By ALEX BARKER  
Sports Writer

While the rest of her teammates were participating in the annual Notre Dame Invitational, freshman long distance runner Marissa Treece was scoring much bigger stage.

Treece, along with Notre Dame graduate Molly Huddle (’05), travelled to Edinburgh, Scotland, to participate in the IAAF World Cross Country Championships last Sunday.

Treece finished 44th out of 65 competitors in the women’s junior race even after getting caught up in a massive pile-up due to slippery conditions.

"Marissa didn’t have quite the race that she had hoped for," Irish women’s distance Coach Tim Connelly said. "But hopefully she had a positive experience that will be a great motivator for her in the future."

Treece earned a spot on the U.S. Women’s junior team to compete in Scotland by finishing fourth in the U.S. Cross Championships on February 14 in San Diego, Calif.

Huddle, another honored as the Most Outstanding Performer at the Big East outdoor championships during her Notre Dame career, fared well in the women’s senior race placing 23rd out of nearly 90 participants.

"Molly [Huddle] was the most accomplished woman runner that we have ever had here at Notre Dame," Connelly said.

Huddle will now turn her attention to the Olympics this summer in Beijing, China.

"She will certainly be considered a contender for one of the top three spots at the Olympic trials this summer," Connelly said. "Obviously she is very talented and works very hard, but the thing that makes her so good is that she has a great mind for racing. She doesn’t get scared or flustered; she just goes out and tries to beat people. Ultimately, I believe that she has the potential to be one of the top women runners in the U.S. over the next several years."

"If she keeps working hard and competing, she will be one of the top collegiate runners in the coming years."

Tim Connelly  
Irish coach

**SMC SOFTBALL**

**Belles to play two against Olivet**

Saint Mary’s, sophomore Peterson perfect in conference play so far

By LAURA MYERS  
Sports Writer

After sweeping league opponent Calvin Saturday, the Belles look to continue MIAA success against Olivet.

The teams play a doubleheader this afternoon in Olivet, Michigan.

The Belles won three of four games last weekend against Calvin and Rose-Hulman, bringing their record to 13-3. The team is 2-0 in conference play.

"We always start well against conference teams," Belles coach Erin Sullivan said. "We had a goal of accomplishing that again this year."

The Belles owe much of their success to sophomore outfielder Ashley Peterson, who was named MIAA Player of the Week on Monday. Peterson, who is batting .517 overall, went 13-for-16 last weekend, including hitting her first home run of the season Sunday. She leads the team in every major offensive category.

"Ashley is just a consistent hitter who works hard on and off the field," Sullivan said. "She is very positive and she picks everyone up on the team."

As a whole, the team has a 3.33 batting average against opposing teams. Other top contributors include sophomores Maureen Healy, who leads the team with four stolen bases, junior Ashley Fussaro, and senior McKenna Corrigan.

Junior Calli Davison pitches during the Belles 6-5 win over Calvin on March 29.

Junior Calli Davison (7-3) is led by junior shortstop Katie Rosecrants — a 2007 first-team all-MIAA nominee. The Cornels, who placed fifth in the MIAA in 2007, have yet to play a conference team this year.

Junior Calli Davison (7-3) will start the first game for the Belles, and Corrigan will start the second contest. Both pitchers have been strong so far this season. Davison has pitched complete games in all eight of her starts, and has 50 strikeouts in a total of 60 innings. Corrigan has five complete games, and holds a 2.96 ERA.

Olivet, located in southern Michigan, is about a two-hour bus trip. Sullivan said that though it is hard to get energized right after a long trip, the team always brings plenty of enthusiasm.

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**Core Survey winners!**

The Office of Alcohol and Drug Education would like to congratulate the following students who were the winners for the Core Survey drawing: Mary McKeever, Rebecca Flynn and Rahul Shewakramani.

We would like to thank all students who participated in the Core Survey. This year we had a record number of students complete the survey 3,770 both undergraduate and graduate students.

The Core Survey is conducted by the University of Illinois Carbondale and is designed to understand drinking patterns of Universities nationwide.
Tuesday’s game with Broncos postponed

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

Tuesday’s game against Western Michigan was cancelled because of a storm system that had passed through South Bend, leaving behind rain and frigid temperatures. As of now, a make-up date has not been announced and it is not certain if the game will be played.

If the contest is to be played, however, it will most likely take place sometime in May. The Irish will take part in an exhibition game against the South Bend Silver Hawks for the first time ever today at 5:30 p.m. at Coveleski Stadium. The game is in honor of Irish head coach Dave Schrage’s wife, Jody, who passed away after a long battle with cancer in 2007.

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“We did have to switch a bit with the doubles, but I think Katie [Potts] will be fine in doubles,” Louderback said. “She just had not played [doubles] in a while. Getting matches under her belt in doubles will help her out a lot.”

As for Rafael, she will certainly be out for at least tomorrow’s match but may return this weekend. “She’s getting better. She won’t be back [Wednesday] but hopefully Friday or Sunday,” Louderback said. “We’re hoping to get her to at least play doubles if not singles. She’s itching to get out there.”

Rafael has played five times in singles, going 3-2 in the No. 6 slot, but contributes most in doubles, most often alongside Krisik. That pair is 6-5 for the dual season.

In addition to Rafael, some of the players are a little bruised or battered, but for the most part, Louderback does not plan to schedule any days off for his players. “We will have to sit Kelcy Tefft once since she played one too many matches in the fall because of the National Indoors,” he said. “Really, right now, we don’t have that much longer until the Big East [tournament] and they all really want to play.”

That one-game suspension was levied against Tefft and Buck who, by way of winning the lengthy National Indoor doubles tournament, exceeded the maximum amount of matches allowed. Buck served her suspension earlier while injured, but Louderback has yet to sit Tefft.

After today’s match at Purdue, the Irish travel to Iowa City, Iowa to face the No. 45 Hawkeyes on Sunday. From there, the Irish return home for four home games in eight days beginning with Syracuse next Tuesday to close the regular season.

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Squad tries for seventh consecutive victory

By DAN MASTERTON
Sports Writer

The No. 70 Irish will put their six-game winning streak on the line today in West Lafayette, Ind., against Purdue.

The Boilermakers (13-10) are amidst a rough season but are coming off a solid win. After being swept 7-0 by No. 1 Northwestern last Tuesday, Purdue rebounded to upend Wisconsin, 4-3 on Sunday.

The Irish (13-7) took on the Boilermakers in February, but Notre Dame's victory was more decisive — the Irish swept Wisconsin as part of a three-game win streak.

Purdue's transition offense is strong both inside and outside.

While Purdue has struggled on the season, Irish center Jackie Leiblack is not underestimating the Boilermakers.

"We've lost to Purdue a few times over the last few years, and we've had so many close matches this year that our kids are smart enough not to overlook anybody," Leiblack said.

The unranked Irish players' strong play gives the singles attack depth.

Senior Brook Buck returns the ball to her opponent during Notre Dame's 5-2 win over Ohio State on Feb. 14. Buck is currently on a five-game winning streak.

The Irish have only managed to play one home game so far this season, downing IPFW 6-0 in 5 runnings on March 26. Notre Dame is most recently coming of a split doubleheader with DePaul this past weekend.

Freshman pitcher Judy Valdivia was named Big East pitcher of the week for her 2-0 shutout against the Blue Demons. Valdivia is the second Notre Dame player to earn conference pitching honors, with junior pitcher Brittany Baragar winning the award earlier in the season.

The next Irish home game is Wednesday against Toledo at 5 p.m. at Bailey Field.

The Rockets offense is led by senior Leslie Stong. Stong recently broke Toledo's career home run record with her 20th dinger. She is currently hitting .388 on the season with 2 home runs and 10 RBIs.

The Rockets, though, have been unable to find a pitching threat to match Stong's offense. The pitching staff has a 6.03 team ERA and gave up six runs in the first inning of their most recent game, a 6-0 loss to Kent State.

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Big Man Hands' defense proves effective in win

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 Ain't Got No Big Man Hands
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Ain't Got No Big Man Hands ran all over the Family Band Solution en route to a convincing singles players victory.

Before the game, sophomore Ryan Kelley of Ain't Got No Big Man Hands was extremely confident.

"I expect total domination," he said. "We'll be happy with nothing less than a shutout." Ain't Got No Big Man Hands did not get the shutout they were after, but they did come close.

Captain Kieran Bulger did a stellar job running his team's offense, scoring buckets in transition and easily handing his teammates open looks.

For the Family Band Solution and captain Brendan Hennessy, penetration was virtually impossible due to the curtain-like defense maintained by Ain't Got No Big Man Hands for the entire game. The inability to get the ball inside highlighted the fact that the outside shots were not dropping for them.

"Ain't Got No Big Man Hands, however, found success both inside and outside. They had a decided advantage on the boards, and several players on the team were consistently able to drain shots from outside when given open looks.

While the performance from Man Hands was dominant, Kelley was unsatisfied with the result.

"We allowed too many points in this game," he said. "But with the win, Brandon has seen change as freshman Kristen Rafael is out with an injury.

At Southern Methodist last week, Krisik and Rieley teamed up at the No. 2 position to notch an 8-2 win while Potts and Ciobanu did not play at the No. 3 position, winning by default due to the Mustangs short-handed lineup.

Ciobanu rejoined Rieley at the No. 2 spot for the match against Indiana, picking up a win to improve to 13-1 while Krisik and Potts lost their match in a tiebreaker.

Loudback has not committed to using just one lineup in Rafael's absence. He remains unsure exactly what he will do against Purdue.

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SMC Tennis

Saint Mary's sweeps Olivet

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Saint Mary's finally got the conference win it had been looking for in its 9-0 sweep over Olivet on Tuesday. The Belles move their record to 5-8, 1-2 MIAA, and the Comets fall to 1-7, 0-3 MIAA.

"We came out strong in all aspects of our play today," sophomore co-captain Camille Gebert said. "We gained a lot of experience from the tough competition last weekend, and it really showed today. As a team, we're playing more confidently.

The Belles are coming off a winless weekend at the Jack Swarts Invitational at Wheaton College, Ill., losing to Olivet Nazarene and Wheaton College, both ranked teams. The Belles lost 6-3 to No. 16 in NAIA Olivet Nazarene on Friday, and 8-1 to Wheaton, ranked No. 28 in Division III.

The next Irish home game is Wednesday against Toledo at 5 p.m. at Bailey Field.

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The Rockets, though, have been unable to find a pitching threat to match Stong's offense. The pitching staff has a 6.03 team ERA and gave up six runs in the first inning of their most recent game, a 6-0 loss to Kent State.

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ND Softball

Irish game cancelled vs. Cards

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Notre Dame's game Tuesday against Ball State was cancelled due to unfavorable weather conditions. No make up date has been announced.

The Irish have only managed to play one home game so far this season, downing IPFW 6-0 in 5 runnings on March 26. Notre Dame is most recently coming of a split doubleheader with DePaul this past weekend.

Freshman pitcher Judy Valdivia was named Big East pitcher of the week for her 2-0 shutout against the Blue Demons. Valdivia is the second Notre Dame player to earn conference pitching honors, with junior pitcher Brittany Baragar winning the award earlier in the season.

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