Lecture examines gay life on campus

Alumni, students, expert participate in talk as part of StaND Against Hate Week events

By KRISTEN DURBIN
News Writer

While some students spend their free time running, relaxing or spending time with friends, over 40 students are active members of Notre Dame’s fishing club.

The club — started about four years ago by Dave Patterson, a 2009 alumnus — does not meet regularly but usually participates in three tournaments and four to five recreational outings per year, according to sophomore Sam Simple, president of the fishing club.

“In the fall, we do a few low-budget outings with boats, necessary equipment, gas, food, and accommodation fees for tournaments. But club members are required to pitch in with boaters, but there has been a shortage of boaters due to various conflicts with the two Steelhead tournaments this year,” Simple said.

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Although the club aims to attend all three tournaments, this year was a slow year for the club as they were unable to attend any of the aforementioned tournaments due to various conflicts and complications.

“We had a lot of member conflicts with the two Steelhead tournaments this year,” Simple said. “The icebox tournament pairs us up with boaters, but there has been a shortage of boaters due to the economy, so we were unable to go the past two years.”

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INSIDE COLUMN

Logical reasoning

The definition of “logic” in my pocket dictionary reads, “sound reasoning.” I bring it up, because lately, quite frankly, I have noticed an absence of logic. The vast majority of us, myself included, more often than not no longer use “sound reasoning.” Emotions, preferences and lack of sleep rob us of our logic.

Upon realizing this, I started making a concentrated effort at using logic more often when making decisions. But it wasn’t enough. I still had some logical actions around me breed illogical decisions that could have been avoided.

During room picks for example, many people face a decision of two or three rooms that they did not initially want. A flaw can be found in each room’s resume! The pick should still be simple: Pick the room with the best flaw — for certainly, of multiple things, there is always one best.

Yet, unfortunately, a rash room pick will be made, regretted only a few hours later and yet lived in for a full year.

The same logic can be applied to finding somewhere off-campus to live. Sign the lease on the house that meets the most of your needs, not the house that is simply nicest on first glance.

Late DART time? Well, first off, I’m sorry. Assuredly, you’ll end up one class short and only a handful of college seminars available. Of the bad seminars, sign up for the one that you think you’ll find most interesting, because, again, of multiple things, there is always one most interesting.

Only have time to sleep or to finish your paper? Determine which one you can go without. If you sleep in this morning, finish the paper. If the paper isn’t due for another week, get some sleep. Not that difficult.

But, we are college students, and often enough, find ourselves short sleep with the paper due in two days. At that point, a point I encounter weekly, we must admit that these grades are not the defining factor I encounter weekly; we must admit that these grades are not the defining factor of sleep rob of us of reasoning.” Emotions, preferences and lack of sleep rob of us of our logic.

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OFFBEAT

Man on mower charged with DUI, fishing pole theft

ATHENS, Tenn. — An East Tennessee man driving a lawn mower in the road has been charged with DUI. Athens police said 30-year-old Jimmy Graham Jr. smelled like alcohol and failed a sobriety test Monday after an officer spotted him on the lawn mower. He told the officer he had consumed a beer and taken a stress reliever prescribed to him.

A jailer said Graham was in custody Tuesday and there was no record of him having a lawyer.

The Daily Post-Athenian in Athens reported that Graham was also charged with aggravated burglary and theft under $500.

Man arrested twice in one day on identical drug charges

ALBANY, Ga. — Albany authorities did a double take when they arrested a man twice on the same drug charge in one day.

Authorities said a man, 26, was charged with possession of marijuana around noon on Friday after police pulled him over during a routine traffic stop. He was sent to the Dougherty County Jail and released on bond four hours later.

But Bill Berry of the Albany-Dougherty Drag Unit says police soon received a tip that the man was trying to set up a drug deal. He said the suspect was arrested again at 6:30 p.m. Friday after authorities found him with two ounces of marijuana on him and charged a second time with possession of the drug.

This time, though, Berry said he stayed in Dougherty County Jail with no bond.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

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QUESTION OF THE DAY: TELL A STORY IN SIX WORDS.

Claire Stephens  freshman
freshman Pangborn

“The cow jumped over the moon.”

Claire Kenney  senior
Holy Cross Hall

“Once upon a time... the end.”

Sarah Spieler  sophomore
Pasquerilla West

“On Wednesdays we wear pink. Dub.”

Jordan Matulis  sophomore
Howard

“I woke up. Sharpie on face.”

Ryan Lion  freshman
Storin

Jr. Matt Momont gathers signatures for StaND Against Hate Week’s Day of Silence in LaFortune Student Center Tuesday. StaND Against Hate Week runs until Friday, and includes a t-shirt distribution and silent procession.

IN BRIEF

A presentation, “Atticus Finch: Not Only Gregory Peck But Also Southern Gentleman and County-Seat Lawyer Whose Daughter is a Whiz-Bang,” will be held tonight from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Geddes Hall Auditorium. The lecture is promoting the One Book, One Michiana project and is open to the public.

A lecture, “Sportswriter is One Word,” will be held in the Hesburgh Library Carey Auditorium tonight at 7:30 p.m. Writer and commentator Frank Beford will speak as a part of the Red Smith Lecture in Journalism series. The event is free and open to the public.

Artist Caroline Chiou will be present at an artist talk and lecture in the Snite Museum of Art Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. She will speak about her two current exhibitions. The event is open to the public.

The Relay for Life, Fightin’ Irish Fightin’ Cancer, will take place Friday through Saturday at Notre Dame Stadium, starting at 4 p.m. Friday evening. Register online at Relay for Life’s Web site.

A lecture, “Notre Dame vs. the Klan,” will take place at the Geddes Hall Auditorium at 10 a.m. Saturday. Author Todd Tucker, graduate of the class of 1990, will lecture. The event is free and open to the public.

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

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College artist featured at South Bend museum

By ALICIA SMITH
Assistant Saint Mary's Editor

Nicole Krou has talked about being an artist since preschool. “We had preschool graduation,” Krou said. “We had this stupid little graduation and this lady — I don’t know who she was — asked us what we wanted to be when we grow up. At the rehearsal I told her artist, then at the actual graduation I said I wanted to be a paleontologist.”

Today, Krou has the opportunity to show off her work in the South Bend Museum of Art. “I thought it was pretty cool, and it was actually rather terrifying,” she said. “I just took foundations courses my freshman year and then I was abroad all of my sophomore year so I didn’t do any art. Then I took silkscreen last semester and really enjoyed it.”

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The junior art major had an internship during the summer of 2009. After sending in her portfolio, she was granted the internship, and was awarded the chance to have some studio space for her own art exhibit at the museum.

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Prof. travels to Iraq to teach

By SARA FELSENSTEIN
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A Notre Dame political science professor had the unique opportunity last month to teach students about “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness” in a place where such terms are foreign and difficult to grasp.

Professor Vincent Munoz traveled to the American University of Iraq - Sulaimani (AUIS) to teach students about the principles behind the United States Constitution and Declaration of Independence.

“The ideas were new and not familiar. They really wanted to know what it means to have the right to life, the right to liberty,” Munoz said. “We had preschool graduation,” Krou said. “We had this stupid little graduation and this lady — I don’t know who she was — asked us what we wanted to be when we grow up. At the rehearsal I told her artist, then at the actual graduation I said I wanted to be a paleontologist.”

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**COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Group reviews ImproveND survey**

By MOLLY MADDEN

News Writer

The Council of Representatives (COR) was given a presentation about the results of the ImproveND survey on March 9.
Archdiocese suspends Colo. priest

**Fr. Melvin Thompson of Denver maintains innocence after sex abuse allegations**

**DENVER** — The action against the priest was swift and public.

Within five days of receiving a decades-old sex abuse accusation against the Rev. Melvin Thompson, Denver’s Roman Catholic Archdiocese took the unprecedented step of alerting law enforcement and announcing his suspension to parishioners and the public.

The archdiocese says Thompson, 74, maintains his innocence. Some parishioners have complained the process was unfair and too fast. However, Denver Archbishop Charles Chaput called prompt action “painful but necessary.”

The episode highlights the challenges American Catholic Church has to face as they follow through on a promise to be more transparent in dealing with priests accused of abuse, while respecting the rights of both victims and the accused.

The case comes amid a worsening global clergy abuse scandal focused on how Pope Benedict XVI has dealt with problem priests in his past church roles.

For years, some U.S. church officials have been chipping away at abortion rights, and the Erlanger abortion clinic is the latest example of the trend.

Critics of the church remain dubious of the U.S. efforts. "Children are not puppies," he said. "We're going to err more on the side of protecting children than adults," said Diane Thompson, the retired head of Catholic Action and, in some cases, they are investigated. Diocesan review boards, comprised mostly of lay people, help bishops oversee cases.

All U.S. dioceses were also instructed to advise victims of their right to contact authorities themselves. Most cases are old and fall outside statutes of limitations, making criminal prosecution impossible.

The Denver archdiocese, Knight said, acted more quickly than most but essentially followed protocol.

On April 7, the archdiocese said it received a complaint from a man who alleged he was sexually abused by Thompson in the early 1970s. That same day Chaput said he removed the popular Thompson from his position as assistant pastor at St. Thomas More Parish in suburban Centennial and suspended his ability to function publicly as a priest.
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“Notre Dame’s failure to not include the nondiscrimination clause is in itself discrimination,” he said. “Notre Dame’s act of discrimination allows others to feel it acceptable to treat the LGBTQ community as less than equal.”

“One discrimination begets another,” he added.

Rick Dufier Landavazo, a 1981 graduate who majored in American Studies spoke next about his experience as a gay student at Notre Dame nearly 30 years ago, recounting several instances of overt acts of aggression and hate from his fellow students.

“If gay and lesbian students today are like those in the 1970s, you are in a community that preaches love and practice hate,” he said.

Landavazo said dialogue is a critical part of inclusion for the LGBTQ community.

“I urge the University to bring gay and lesbian students to campus, who addressed the psychology behind people who discriminate against others based on their sexual orientation.

“For every big act of aggression like murder, there are more and more smaller ones that go unreported and uncounted,” he said. Thirty-five states are not legally required to count hate attacks against gay people, he said. Furthermore, an estimated 20 percent of sexual minority adults were victims of a person or property crime due to their sexual orientation and 50 percent of estimated 20 percent of sexual minority adults have been verbally insulted or abused.

“The true prevalence of the problem is underestimated,” he said. Parrott noted several causes of aggression against gay people, focusing especially on men, who constitute 75 to 80 percent of acts of aggression.

“Gender role reinforcement, he said, is a factor because society prescribes certain norms for how men and women behave.

“Not showing emotion, being sexually active and anti-femininity are all characteristics society pins on men,” he said.

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Failed bank execs defend actions

Washington Mutual officials testify at Senate hearing regarding alleged fraud

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A trio of former Washington Mutual officials are to give a trove of documents on Tuesday portrayed a picture of breakdown loan-making and alleged fraud at the biggest U.S. bank ever to fail.

Former CEO Kerry Killinger defended WaMu's actions at a Senate hearing and insisted the government should not have seized it at the height of the financial crisis in September 2008.

Killinger argued that WaMu had adequate capital and shouldn't have been shut down and sold for a "bargain" price of $1.9 billion. The bank "should have been given a chance to work its way through the crisis," he testified before a Senate panel.

The 18-month investigation by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs subcommittee found that WaMu's lending operations were rife with fraud, including fabricated loan documents. It concluded that that management failed to stem the deception despite internal probes.

The bank's pay system of rewarding loan officers and risk executives for their volume of loans closed racketed up the pressure, the investigators found.

Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., who said it will decide after its hearings this week whether to make a formal referral to the Justice Department for possible criminal prosecution. Justice, the FBI and the Securities and Exchange Commission opened investigations into Washington Mutual soon after its collapse.

The Senate subcommittee is known for conducting hard-hitting investigations by bipartisan staff and has sometimes made such referrals to federal prosecutors. The former WaMu executives appeared before Congress for the first time since the bank's collapse.

Killinger deflected the criticism and laid blame on the government. He argued that even before the crisis struck with force, the government treated Seattle-based Washington Mutual unfairly. He noted it was excluded from a list of large financial firms whose stock couldn't be sold short under a temporary government ban in July 2008. In short-selling, traders bet a stock price will drop and use borrowed shares to profit from any decline.

"For those that were part of the inner circle and were too clubby to fail," the benefits were obvious," Killinger said. "For those outside of the club, the penalty was severe." Levin came armed with e-mail correspondence among senior executives at the bank showing anxiety over elevated rates of delinquency and default in the high-risk mortgage loans WaMu had made. The exchanges show the executives wanted to urgently sell the loans packaged as securities to Wall Street, Levin said.

Two former WaMu chief risk officers said they tried to curb risky lending practices by the bank. But they said they met resistance from top management when they brought their concerns to them.

As the housing bust deepened in late 2007 and early 2008, "I was increasingly excluded from many executive meetings and had meetings with financial advisers when the bank's response to the growing crisis was being discussed," Ronald Cathcart, who helped oversee risk officers, testified at the hearing. By January 2008, he said, "I was fully isolated" and was fired by Killinger a few months later, Cathcart said.

The other risk officer, James Vanasek, testified that he tried to limit loans to those who were unlikely to be able to repay and the number of loans made without verifying borrowers' income. But his efforts fell flat "without solid executive management support," Vanasek said.

Trump rebounds from third bankruptcy

Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — About to leave its third bankruptcy behind, Trump Entertainment Resorts Inc. has a simple formula for the future in the cutthroat Atlantic City market: less debt, more cash and more Ivana.

It also plans to expand beyond New Jersey.

A federal bankruptcy judge on Monday chose bondholders led by New York-based Avenue Capital Group and its British affiliate, and his daughter Ivanka to buy the company out of bankruptcy for $225 million. Their bid topped a rival one from billionaire Carl Icahn, who wanted to swap the $486 million mortgage he holds on Trump Entertainment for ownership of the company.

When Trump Entertainment emerges from bankruptcy court later this year, its debt will be cut to $334 million, from nearly $1.8 billion. And that, Donald Trump says, is why the company will succeed where it failed three times before.

"This time we really cut the debt," he told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "It was never really enough. We've cut the debt down to a low level, and we now have a company in good financial shape."

Icahn's plan would have eliminated all the company's debt, but it also would have wiped out bondholders' investments — a key factor that led Judge Judith Wizmur to side with the proposal from the Trumps and the bondholders. Mark Juliano, Trump Entertainment's CEO, said the company's first priority is revitalizing the three Atlantic City casinos it owns: the Trump Taj Mahal Casino resort, Trump Plaza Hotel and Casino and Trump Marina Hotel, which is being put back on the selling block this week.

But Juliano said the company will seek opportunities in other states to lessen its dependence on a single, struggling market, particularly if it can sell Trump Marina.
In defense of baseball

Spring in the Midwest is exciting. The snow has finally melted (we think), the temperature has warmed up to bearable temperatures and the sun shines for more than 10 minutes per month. To me, though, the coming of spring has meant only one thing for as long as I can remember: the arrival of baseball season.

Now, some don't share my enthusiasm. I have heard a lot of negative things said about the game of baseball, just within the past few weeks. Some of my favorites include calling it "the most boring game on the planet.," "painful to watch" and "that you need to be drunk to be able to enjoy it." The best, though, was the person that I overheard say that baseball is "three minutes of action packed into three hours."

It was kind of funny. It is also completely and totally wrong. Somewhere along the line, baseball developed a reputation for being an unexciting game. Quite the contrary, I would even make the case that baseball is maybe the most interesting and exciting sport played. I'll wait for you to stop laughing before I explain.

What makes baseball so entertaining isn't necessarily the physical aspect, though it certainly is important. The mental aspect and the strategy involved in good baseball is what sets it apart from every other game that is played in the world. My dad always told me that baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. The baseball is "a thinking man's game," and he couldn't be more right. 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What can body odor tell us about sexual attraction and sexual orientation?

Can “BO” (body odor) actually be a good thing? Sexual attraction is complicated. While we may swoon over self-proclaimed “types” (blue eyes, brown hair, great smile), mate selection relies heavily on a series of conscious and unconscious calculations made deep within our brains.

Take body odor, for instance. Most of us try to cover it up with deodorants and perfumes, but BO might actually help us find our best-fit romantic partners. Considerable evidence suggests that humans produce individually unique body odors, and that we easily discriminate between the body odors of different people. Even newborns can tell the difference between the odor of their own mothers and those of mothers of other infants. Thus, BO may be crucial for forming social relationships, even early in life.

Body odor is largely influenced by Major Histocompatibility Complex (MHC) molecules, which are genetically determined and linked to the immune system. Experiments on non-human animals and human participants have shown that we tend to judge potential sexual partners as more attractive if their MHC composition is substantially different from our own. In other words, opposites really do attract, perhaps because such variation in our immunity makes the population more resistant to disease. Interestingly, MHC has also been linked directly to sexual orientation, suggesting that the differences in MHC that influence sexual orientation may be related to the differences in MHC that regulate odor production.

In the last article of this series, Professor Wirth, also in the Psychology Department, talked about hormones, or the chemical signals that act on cells within an individual. Pheromones, on the other hand, are chemical signals that influence the behavior and physiology of other individuals. Scientists think that pheromones are detected by the olfactory system or by the vomeronasal organ (VNO), which is located in the nasal cavity. Perhaps because the region is vestigial in humans, pheromones may or may not be active in human mating behavior. In lab animals, however, pheromones have profound effects on other animals. For example, when adult male rodents are around, females will reach puberty faster, and in some cases their estrous cycles will synchronize. Our vestigial VNOs aside, odor may play a large role in human sexual attraction. For example, the chemical 4- androstadien-3-one, or “and” for short, is an androgen-like chemical found in the underarm sweat of males and females. The males smell it, and females are highly sensitive to it. Brain imaging studies show that and exposure activates brain regions that are critical for sexual behavior, such as olfactory areas and regions of the hypothalamus. A recent study showed that lesbian women process ‘and’ with their olfactory systems rather than the hypothalamus, which is the opposite of heterosexual women.

Just like heterosexuals then, people who are attracted to the same sex may follow their noses. Consider, for example, a 2005 study published in the prestigious journal Psychological Science, which showed that gay men and lesbian women had different body odor preferences than straight men and women.

Now, this is a study that would be interesting to participate in! For nine days volunteers used only odorless soaps and shampoo, not shaving their armpits, and abstaining from garlic, curry, and cumin. Then they wore cotton pads wedged into their armpits for several days while going about their typical activities. The pads were cut up and randomly placed in plastic squeeze bottles with flip-top lids for easy access smelling. Shortly thereafter, another set of volunteers, of both sexes and sexual orientations, smelled and rated the odors on intensity and pleasantness on scales of 1 to 10. Interestingly, homosexual men had different preferences than straight men, straight women and lesbian women. Not only were their body odor preferences different than these other groups, but their own body odor was regarded differently than these other groups as well. Homosexual men were drawn to the odors of other gay men and heterosexual women, while odors from gay men were the least preferred by heterosexual men and women and by lesbian women.

Many scientists, myself included, believe that these findings suggest that neurobiological processes are at work in determining our sexual orientation, just as they are in determining our sexual assignment, although we could certainly interact with environmental influences as well.

In his related article, Professor Fuentes pointed out that homosexual activity (sex that is gay i.e. in pairs) across a wide array of species. His observations were echoed in the cover article in last Sunday’s New York Times Magazine, “The Love that Dares Not Squawk its Name: Inside the Science of Same-Sex Animal Pairings” by Jon Moallem. Given the ubiquity of homosexual behavior, across time and across species, and given that research has not found any effect of parenting style or childhood experiences on sexual orientation, what, then, causes people to be gay, straight or bisexual? The answer to that question will surely be complex, but an ever-growing biological database strongly suggests that nature plays a fundamental role in why we are attracted to the people we are and fall in love with the people we do.

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The St. Edward's Hall Players bring the subver-
sive Broadway hit “Urinetown” to Washington Hall
today and Thursday. Tickets for the 7 p.m. shows
are $5 for students, $7 for the general public and
are available the LaFortune box office or at the
door.
A few members of the cast and crew talked to
The Observer about the searing, satirical show
and the work that went into putting it together.

From the cast:

Tricia Coburn, freshman
“Hope Cladwell,” the daughter of the evil, miser-
ly CEO of Urine Good Company. She falls in love
with Bobby against her father’s wishes.

Will Docimo, sophomore
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9:27 Ryan Seacrest ended American Idol with “Glee out!” I can’t say it excites me.

9:28 The show gives a recap of the season so far. They talk fast and make things appear more dramatic than they actually are.

9:30 Sue, the resident wicked witch, makes an appearance. She’s well-written and performed. I’m going to miss her when she’s not on screen. The editing reminds me of an 80s music video. As singing like he has a message to convey, “Love You.” I’m hugely unimpressed. It’s an honest record possible of my reactions.

9:45 Half the audience is leaving. I do not miss much as the decline of MTV is huge. I’m not sure why this is an appropriate song choice. The writers don’t seem to think much of their audience’s intelligence.

10:09 Ryan Seacrest sang All-American Girl. I was not impressed. This is an inappropriate break. This is, depending on how you count, the second instance of cheating this season so far. There’s a lot happening and most of it is just a small bit of malevolence added in. It’s fun as well. Their electro-rock has resonated with fans for quite some time and they will no doubt be able to get the crowd dancing. It will also be a great opportunity to see into the band’s new album “One Life Stand” live.

—By COURTNEY COX
Scene Writer

Scene: The release of the lineup began as a game. The crafty folk at C3 Presents, the Texas-based concert promotion company, essentially created a “Wheel of Fortune” style board with all of the names of the bands.

From that point it wasn’t too difficult to decipher the eventual headliners because four blank spaces marking a four-letter word could of course only be Lady Gaga. There was much less mystique about who the headliners would be this year because many very reputable leaks that gave away basically all six bands.

However anti-climactic the revealing of the headliners may have been, the actual appearance of these six groups is quite impressive. Okay, sure, no one actually wants to see Green Day, unless they’re trying to come off as ironic or something, but the others are all worth going for.

The problem with having such amazing headliners is that there will be a guaranteed conflict no matter what. To have to choose between Arcade Fire and Lady Gaga might just be too much to handle. Either way, the headlining stages will be sure to have loyal fanatics camping out all day at the front of the crowd since they’re the best to see for the likes of Soundgarden, Phoenix, The Strokes, Arcade Fire and Lady Gaga. Again, Green Day is laughable, but what can you do?

The rest of the lineup is nothing to scoff at either. While MGMT’s new album “Congratulations” may not have offered what casual listeners were looking for, it is still a good album in its own right and they will most definitely draw a large crowd of people who come just to see them play “Kids.” The British quartet Hot Chip promises to be a close to how high school boys imagine how high school girls work.

10:17 I think these people go to high school inside a Taylor Swift song.

10:23 The Beatles “Hello Goodbye” makes a predictable appearance. It’s much more than the original, but then again, every Beatles’ cover is.

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By CLEVELAND SCENE

San Fransisco’s Lollapalooza 2010 is shaping up to be quite the festival. Many more bands are said to be coming this year to Chicago’s Grant Park. Other bands worth checking out include Yeasayer, Edward Sharpe & the Magnetic Zeros, Dirty Projectors, The New Pornographers, Blitzen Trapper and so much more.

The happiest band on earth, Matt and Kim, is returning to Lollapalooza after having played for the festival in 2007. The Brooklyn-based band is known for its upbeat pop, energetic live shows and overall adorableness. For those of you unfamiliar with the band, they’re most well known for the song “Daylight,” which had been featured in a Bacardi commercial. If anything, you’re worth seeing simply because they’re so darn cute. These hands represent only a fraction of the amazing things this band has. Lady Gaga’s “Poker Face” had been featured in a Bacardi commercial. If anything, they’re worth seeing simply because they’re so darn cute. These hands represent only a fraction of the amazing things this band has.

Shakira’s “She Wolf.”

Cut Copy is another one of those dancey bands that is sure to get thousands of people to cram into a tiny field. Some may have been introduced to the band’s music through an iTunes free download about a year and a half ago, but their most famous song, “Lights and Music” from their album “In Ghost Colours,” is the perfect example of their aesthetic. They are very electronic driven but they don’t cease to be appealing to fans because their music is in fact very catchy. Ideally they would receive a time slot later in the night so that festival-goers can actually enjoy the lights while listening to the music of Cut Copy.

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New York — Andy Pettitte hit the corners, Derek Jeter homered into the right-center field stands, Jorge Posada rumbled into second base for a double. And for good measure, Mariano Rivera closed it out with a cutter.

Don’t tell the Yankees’ core it’s 2010. The longevity All-Stars each picked up World Series ring No. 5, then led New York to a victory in its home opener Sunday. 7-5 over the Los Angeles Angels in front of a record crowd that included owner George Steinbrenner.

“Everyone talks about how long we’ve been here but in our minds it seems like we are just still little kids,” said Jeter, the AL Rookie of the Year in 1996. “We want to come out here and contribute and try and he consistent. That’s what we tried to do throughout the years and that’ll never change.”

The Angels’ Hideki Matsui might have gotten the loudest ovation of the stirring ceremony that celebrated the Yankees’ 27th title, with fans welcoming back the World Series MVP. But the four stars who last won a title in 2000 wound up winners in the end.

They all played big roles last year, as well,” Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. “Andy won the last game at the Stadium last year and won the first one this year — pretty fitting. Derek had some big hits, Jorge. Mo closed it out. It is appropriate.”

With the 2009 World Series banner whipping in a chilly breeze, Pettitte (1-0) returned to the Yankee Stadium mound for the first time since he won the clinching Game 6 against Philadelphia last November. He threw 100 pitches in six crisp innings as the Yankees dropped the Angels to 2-6, their worst start since 1972.

The 40-year-old Rivera was needed to earn his third save after another ex-Yankee, Bobby Abreu, hit a grand slam in the ninth off Dave Robertson to make it 7-5. “Obviously we did too many things poorly early in the game and had to crawl our way back and it was too little too late,” Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. “There’s definitely some things we need to work on, in the way we’re playing ball this week.”

Matsui was mobbed by his former teammates after hitting a three-run walk-off homer in the ninth. He was regaled with a prolonged standing salute when he stepped into the batter’s box in the first inning.

“I was deeply moved by that moment. It’s something that I did not anticipate at all,” he said through a translator. “It’s something that I will remember forever, that moment. I’m just very happy and very thankful, the way that the fans had welcomed me back.”

The Angels’ designated hitter saluted Matsui before striking out — another ex-Yankee, Bobby Abreu, hit a sharp grounder off Ervin Santana for an out. Matsui then led off the bottom of the fifth.

Jeter, who led off the Yankees’ last regular-season game home with a home run, hit his first-inning single against Bulger that fashioned his fifth career hit off Zumaya.

“I just felt he deserved that so I stepped off the mound,” Pettitte said. “As soon as he steps in the box, it’s just put your head down. A walk, that’s the key to the game for him.”

Nick Johnson also homered for New York, who totaled a franchise-record 136 home runs in their first year at the ballpark. The most home runs across 161st Street, now a fading memory — thanks to a wrecking crew — was 126 in 2004 and 2005.

Johnson homered off Santana (0-2) in his first at-bat in pinstripes since 2003, when he was traded to Montreal during the offseason, helping the Yankees win for the 12th time in the last 13 home openers. They were routed by Cleveland in the first game at the new stadium on April 16, 2009.

Alex Rodriguez received his first World Series ring and later drove in two runs with a three-hop single off reliever Jason Bulger that nicked diving shortstop Erick Aybar’s glove in the sixth to make it 5-0. Pettitte struck out eight in six innings against Kansas City.

Pettitte became the first pitcher in postseason history to start and win a run in each of the first six games, including Game 6 of the ALCS against the Angels, and he began this season in equally fine fashion.

He allowed a run and six hits and walked two in eight innings. Pettitte got the win as the Angels rumbled into second place before striking out — another ex-Yankee, Bobby Abreu, hit a sharp grounder off Ervin Santana for a hit.

The 22-year-old left-hander joined the Dodgers in 2008, his second major league appearance. He pitched over the wall in right for his first major league hit.

Loney doubled before Ramirez homered for the Dodgers, who beat the Angels 2-1. A 2-2 pitch from Kennedy halfway up the pavilion in left-center, elicting chants of “Manny! Manny!” from the sellout crowd of 36,000, Ramirez, who has been unusually quiet around the media since spring training, responded with a brief curtailing call from the top of the dugout about the lackluster effort.

James Loney doubled before Blake went deep, reaching the first row of the left-field pavilion to make it 4-1.

In the fifth, Kemp sent a 3-2 pitch over the wall in right for his third homer of the season, bringing his girlfriend Rachel Uchitel to her feet for a celebration dance behind the dugout.

“Each batter connected on a 0-2 pitch from Esmerling Vasquez in the sixth, making it 9-2,” said Joe Girardi, who homered off Russell Martin’s bases-loaded sacrifice fly in the first, cementing Blake’s lead.

RAMON ORTIZ

Ramon Ortiz retired the first two Arizona batters in the seventh, then gave up two runs in his second major league appearance since Oct. 1, 2007. He allowed a two-run homer to Mark Reynolds in the first and an RBI single to Kelly Johnson that left the D’backs trailing 9-5.

The Angels welcome Matsui back in home opener

Los Angeles Angels’ Hideoki Matsui shows appreciation before his first at bat at his former home field, Yankee Stadium Tuesday.

The Angels scored four runs in win over Arizona; Detroit makes late comeback in victory over Kansas City

Kansas City Royals designated hitter Jose Guillen hits a two-run home run for the Royals during their loss against the Detroit Tigers Tuesday.

Coping With Stress And Anxiety

Managing stress and anxiety can be challenging, especially when you’re dealing with workplace pressures or life changes. Here are some tips to help you manage stress and anxiety:

1. Practice Mindfulness: Mindfulness is a technique that involves focusing on the present moment and observing your thoughts and feelings without judgment. This can help you reduce stress and anxiety and improve your overall well-being.

2. Exercise Regularly: Regular physical activity can help reduce stress and anxiety by releasing endorphins, which are natural mood elevators.

3. Get Enough Sleep: Sleep is crucial for mental and physical health. A good night’s sleep can help you feel more alert and focused during the day.

4. Limit Screen Time: Too much screen time, especially at night, can disrupt your sleep cycle and contribute to stress and anxiety.

5. Seek Support: Talking to a friend, family member, or mental health professional can help you cope with stress and anxiety.

If you’re struggling with stress and anxiety, it’s important to reach out for help. Your healthcare provider can provide guidance and resources to help you manage these feelings.

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IN BRIEF

NFL invites 16 players to next week's NFL Draft

NEW YORK — Sam Bradford, Ndamukong Suh and Gerald McCoy are among 16 players who have accepted invitations to the NFL draft. The Oklahoma quarterback and the defensive tackles from Nebraska and Oklahoma are projected to be the top three picks on April 22.

With the draft extended to three days, the first two in prime time, the NFL has increased the number of player invitations. Also accepting are running backs C.J. Spiller of Clemson and Jahvid Best of Cal; offensive tackles Russell Okung of Oklahoma State, Bryan Bulaga of Iowa and Trent Williams of Oklahoma; defensive tackles Lamarr Houston of Texas, Jared Odrick of Penn State and Dan Williams of Tennessee; defensive end Derrick Morgan of Georgia Tech; receiver Demaryius Thomas of Georgia Tech and safety Eric Berry of Tennessee.

QB Roethlisberger meets with commissioner Goodell

NEW YORK — Ben Roethlisberger has finished his meeting with NFL commissioner Roger Goodell, and there's no immediate word if the Steelers quarterback will be punished for his problems off the field.

Roethlisberger flew to New York from his Pittsburgh home one day after a Georgia district attorney announced the player would not be charged after a college student accused him of sexually assaulting her in a nightclub bathroom last month.

He tells ESPN that Tuesday's meeting was "very productive."

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello says the league will review the facts — in accordance with its personal conduct code — and will follow up with Roethlisberger and the Steelers.

The Steelers, clearly angered with their star player's conduct, can discipline Roethlisberger even if the league doesn't.

Roy's playoff status unknown after tearing meniscus in knee

PORTLAND, Ore. — Portland Trail Blazers guard Brandon Roy has a torn meniscus in his right knee and his status for the playoffs is uncertain.

The three-time All-Star missed Monday night's game against the Oklahoma City Thunder and Wednesday's regular-season finale against Golden State on Wednesday night.

He will require surgery and will be out from four to six weeks. But he said he may try to play with the injury in the playoffs because doctors told him it cannot get worse.

"I want to play," Roy said. "It's the playoffs. You play 82 games and take a beating just to get to this point." Roy is the Blazers' leading scorer with 21.5 points per game. He injured his knee on Sunday, 11 minutes into the Blazers 91-88 victory at the Los Angeles Lakers.

Women's Division I Tennis

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NCAA Men’s Basketball

Michigan State head coach Tom Izzo leads his team during their Final Four appearance in Indianapolis earlier this month. On Tuesday the NCAA changed recruiting rules for summer camps and clinics on school’s campuses that will affect all coaches.

NCAA makes changes to basketball recruiting rules

INDIANAPOLIS — College basketball coaches no longer have to shy away from potential recruits during summer camps and clinics on their own campuses.

On Tuesday, the NCAA’s Legislative Council announced it would allow coaches to have "recruiting discussions" on campus, loosening a rule that was nearly impossible to enforce anyway. The changes do not mean coaches can go into full recruiting mode, but they can converse with players if they actually are recruiting.

The changes must still be approved by the NCAA’s Board of Directors, which meets later this month. The proposal does not play a head coach or assistant.

"The coach cannot give them campus tours and do the kinds of things that they would do on an official visit," said Steve Malonee, the NCAA’s managing director of academic and membership affairs. "We wanted to eliminate some of the third-party influence in recruiting."

The proposals intended to clean up college basketball recruiting gained traction in October when the board unanimously endorsed a package of changes. Some were adopted. Others did not survive the NCAA’s rigorous legislative process.

The council considered more than 30 proposals during a two-day meeting this week and passed more than 20, including an amended package that creates new testing requirements for the sickle cell genetic trait that has been linked to the deaths of some athletes.

Most of today’s newborns undergo the test, which many states were offering in 1998. Some of today’s college athletes, however, have not been tested and the NCAA recommended last June that all athletes be tested.

The recommendation came as part of lawsuit settlement with the family of a former Rice football player who died.

On Tuesday, the council decided to give athletes three options: take the test, provide documentation they have been tested or sign a release to decline the test.

"As we a council felt very confident after we had taken the vote that certainly the vote shows the support of the council as well as the membership for the health, welfare and well-being of the student-athlete while also providing for the ability to opt out of the test if for some reason they have concerns about taking the test," said Joe D’Antonio, the committee chairman and senior associate commissioner of the Big East.

Around the nation

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Paterno discusses adding to Big Ten conference

Associated Press

Penn State coach Joe Paterno, who led the former Suzanne Pohland in 1962, knows a thing or two about what makes a successful marriage. So he recognizes how important it is for the Big Ten to pick the right partner or partners if it expands from its current 11 teams.

"The thing that you have to do is when you get married, you'd better marry somebody you love," the 83-year-old Paterno said Tuesday during spring drills for his 45th season as head coach. "That means somebody who appreciates what you want to do."

The Big Ten is exploring the possibility of expanding. Paterno said the conference cannot add schools just to get bigger but needs to invite like-minded institutions.

"You can really mesh. That it's going to be a happy marriage, and we're all on the same page and nobody dominates it," Paterno said on a Big Ten coaches teleconference.

"It's not a question of just bringing somebody in who can handle around. It's a question of bringing somebody in that you're just going to kick ass with," Paterno said on a Big Ten coaches teleconference. "It's not a question of just bringing in somebody that you're going to kick ass with. It's a question of bringing somebody in that you're just going to kick ass with.

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**BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL**

**Linebacker Lounge beats Nothing But Air 21-9**

By MATTHEW ROBISON
Sports Writer

From the outset, it appeared as if Nothing But Air would be overwhelmed by the height advantage and experience of the Linebacker Lounge. But after the underdog scored the first basket of the game, Linebacker Lounge looked like it was on its heels. In the end, however, the game ended decisively for the game, Linebacker Lounge scored the first basket of the game.

Consisting of sophomores Mitch Gainer, Kevin Mader, Aaron Patzawl, Allan Jones and Meghan McKinney, Nothing But Air showed nothing but heart the entire way. They came in with humble expectations, and they more than exceeded those expectations.

"Our goal was to score five, and we surpassed that," Jones said.

The Linebacker Lounge, consisting of David Brochu, Steve Colintis, Tom Timmermans, Jon Carpenter and Dave Pelosquin, proved that this, indeed, was not their first rodeo. But they showed a youthful passion for the game.

"We were just trying to gain our chemistry," Colintis said. "This is only our second game this year."

Even though Linebacker Lounge dominated the game, the team made sure Nothing But Air enjoyed the experience, and even posed for a picture after the game with their opponents.

"We got the win. We're happy," Brochu said. "We wanted to make sure they had a good time as well."

**Stu, Doug, Al, Phil and Doug's Phone 21, Koala Yummies 10**

In a lopsided affair between two victims of the First Amendment violation that is censorship of team names, Stu, Doug, Al, Phil and Doug's Phone utilized a balanced offense and stingy defense to thoroughly suppress the Koala Yummies.

Consisting of juniors Joseph Jensen, Grant McKinley, Peter Birch, Steve Morris and Andrew Taylor, the squad jumped out to an early 6-1 lead and never looked back.

"We played like a devil on fire," Ritchie said. "Ritchie referred to himself as the 'Phoating Phenom,' for his trademark dribble drive down the land leading to a teardrop that floats over the outstretched defense.

The game ended with an emphatic, long distance fade-away from the corner by Jensen with the fans chanting, "End it!"

"Our mindset was to pass it down and go to town," Ritchie said, referring to his preference for shots in the paint.

Ritchie attributed the win to "a combination of our fans and the Lord Jesus Christ."

"Doug, Stu, Al, Phil and Doug's Phone know how to do it in order to keep their winning ways alive."

"We need to make it rain and bring the pain," McKinley said.

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**NHL**

**Theodore given high honor**

Arlington, Va. — There’s nothing like juicy bulletin-board material to accompany the announcement of a starting goalie.

José Theodore not only was formally anointed the No. 1 goalie for the Washington Capitals on Tuesday, he also proved he can give as good as he can get when it comes to taking a dig at the opposition.

The back-and-forth started when Montreal Canadiens center Tomas Plekanec was quoted Wednesday in Tuesday’s edition of the Montreal newspaper La Presse, talking about the Caps’ goalie situation.

“It’s not as though we are facing Brodeur or Miller,” Plekanec said, according to the paper. “They don’t have a dominant goaltender. When you look at the goaltending matchup in this series it favors our team. I just believe that our goaltending is more solid that theirs. I’m not saying their goalies are bad. I’m just saying our goalies are better.”

After Washington’s practice Tuesday, Theodore was redy with a response.


So while it’s clearly established that neither Martin Brodeur, Ryan Miller nor Jaromir Jagr will be on the ice tomorrow, the Beijing Olympics-tipped Capitals host the eighth-seeded Canadians in Game 1 on Thursday, the ones who are taking part already have some axes to grind.

"The reason why we have the record we have is because of José,” Capitals defenseman Mike Green said. “He’s won us more than a handful of games this year just by himself. For (Plekanec) to say that is a little unnecessary.”

The gibes quickly overshadowed the coming Game 1, in which Washington coach Bruce Boudreau had been playing coy about his starting goaltender and had not planned to announce a starter until Thursday, but he said he was getting tired of being “bombarded” by the question.

“There’s no need to ask the question anymore,” the coach said.

The decision was no big surprise. Theodore ended the regular season on a club-record 23-game streak without a regulation loss (20-0-3), but Boudreau has been known to do the un predictable with his goalies.

A year ago, he benched former league MVP Semyon Varlamov after just one game in the playoffs and replaced him with playoff neophyte Jose Theodore, who anchored the Caps until a Game 7 loss in the second round. But after the performance of the youngster, Boudreau made the case for Theodore.

“I’ll take Jose’s record the last 23 games over just two guys,” the coach said. “The reason quite frankly that I wasn’t saying anything was just to keep everybody on their toes, but I told Jose last week in the meeting that he was going to be the starter and he’s earned it.”

“It’s quite a different situation than it was from this year to last year. He’s been our guy. People don’t realize was last year, his 10 previous games before the playoffs,” Theodore said, referring to his 10 previous games before the playoffs. "I’m not anywhere near what his 10 previous games are here, so there is no short leash. He’s the guy we’re going to go with and see how he does."

Theodore has endured an emotional, tragic 12 months. Getting bunched during the playoffs became trivial when he lost his 2-month-old son, who died in August from complications following a premature birth. When Theodore returned for training camp, it was assumed he would be at least a veteran placeholder for the up-and-coming Varlamov.

“A lot of people counted me out when I was hurt, for different reasons,” Theodore said. “It was a big challenge for me to have a solid season.”

But Varlamov spent much of the season on the injured list, and Theodore showed down the stretch why the starting job should be his. "He did it in the face of a lot of adversity this year," Boudreau said. "He did it in a way that I’m full of credit for everything he’s done.”

The series will take Theodore back to Montreal, where he played parts of nine seasons and won the Hart and Vezina trophies in 2007. When he made his brief appearance there in February, he was serenaded derisively with chants of “Taj-OH!”
Men's Tennis

Watt, Moros lead Irish in regular season finale

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

The Irish are looking to rebound after last week’s two-straight losses to No. 2 Ohio State and Louisville when they host Big State this afternoon. The Cardinals (14-7) come into South Bend to wrap up a portion of Notre Dame’s spring schedule, while the Irish are in recent matches, the Irish (11-11) enter the contest confident having picked up some big wins from freshman Blas Moros and junior David Anderson in recent matches.

“Even though they lost, I thought Casey and Dave fought hard,” Bayliss said. “Casey had some match points, but had trouble finishing at the net.”

In the loss to the Cardinals, Moros and sophomore Sam Close were able to pull out victories for the Irish.

“Blas Moros played more aggressively,” Bayliss said. “He stayed up tight on the baseline and played a very gritty match. He is growing before our eyes and it is rewarding to see. He served well at key times and did not back down under pressure.”

The Irish are working on their doubles constantly to try and secure the doubles win more often to get the match rolling to a fast start.

After wrapping up the home schedule today, the Irish will then head to Bayliss’ former school, Navy, to take on the Midshipmen Saturday.

The Irish play Ball State Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

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SMC Golf

Belles seek automatic bid

By LUKE MANSOUR
Sports Writer

No. 5 Belles quest to repeat as conference champions will start anew Wednesday when they play the first of three MIAA qualifiers at Marshall, Mich.

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A year at Notre Dame, there’s not even a question,” he said. All three of the fifth-years will vie for playing time this spring and throughout sum-
mer and fall camp. Stewart seems to have a comfortable lead in left guard spot, and Wenger’s previous starting experience at both center and guard should give him the chance to
work his way into the rotation, starting or otherwise.

And while most of Gallup’s past playing time has come
on special teams, the fact that Kelly’s spread offense employs several multi-wide receiver sets should give him a shot to find a niche in the
passing game.

“They use a lot of wide receivers and (the offense) can use a lot of my strengths,” Gallup said.

“We’ve got great guards or some guys that can bring something to the table, and everyone’s dif-
ferent and has his strengths. Practice is really competitive, and we’re going to
find out who thrives in those situations.”

The competitive, fast-paced practices present a challenge
for the Irish, but Wenger said it is one that will prepare them for Saturdays in the fall.

“These practices are tough. Everyone’s moving around fast with very little break. The legs are hurting, you’re breathing heavy,” he said.

“You pay the sacrifice in practice, games are going to be a lot easier. That’s the way I’m looking at it.”

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Irish (26-6, 8-0) stay on top of
their game to avoid a home upset.

“Georgetown is solid,” Irish
catcher Deanna Gumpf said.

“They have good pitching and
good hitting. They are a team
that will absolutely beat you if
you are not prepared for them.”

This double-header marks
Notre Dame’s first conference
game to be played in the middle
of the school week, which Gumpf
said presents a new difficulty.

Winning each of Wednesday’s
games is crucial to the team’s
primary seasonal goal of winning
the Big East Tournament in the
coming weeks.

“I think the challenge is time
management, not necessarily the
job,” Schrage said. “In the last two
weeks he has gotten really
hot and he looks comfortable.

Schrage said he was
worried about his team’s prepa-
ration for its weekend conference
series against Seton Hall.

“TheIrish would add two
more runs in the sixth and
seventh innings, which proved to be the difference in the
game as Chicago State could only add one more run in the
seventh.

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series against Seton Hall.

“As a coach you rant and
rave before the game about
getting ready, and it is just
human nature for them not to
think that they are going to
win the game because they are
terrible and not very good,” he said.

“When we work on specific
things, we try to focus on the
type of line up we will be facing,”

Gannef said. “We try to incorpo-
rate a lot of short game situa-
tions if we know the opponent has a lot of left-handed slappers.

We will work on outfield situa-
tions if we know they have a
team that can let the ball fly.

Both the Hoyas and the Irish
are coming off of Big East wins.

The Irish just finished a three-
game sweep over South Florida
at home, and the Hoyas recently
defeated Pittsburgh.

The games will take place at 4
p.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday at
Notre Dame’s Melissa Cook
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The Irish jumped out to an
early 2-0 lead against Chicago
State with an RBI single from
senior left fielder Ryan Connolly and an RBI single
from senior center fielder
Brayden Ashdown.

Schrage said he was
impressed with Ashdown, who
was 2-for-3 with 3 RBIs for
the game.

“Brayden is really coming
on in the last few weeks,” Schrage said. “In the last two weeks he has gotten really
hot and he looks comfortable
in there.”

Chicago State took the lead
away from the Irish 3-2 in the
top of the fifth inning with
singles from junior second
baseman Mike Carpen (1 RBI) and
senior shortstop Austin McDowell (2 RBIs), but the
inning was ended by an out
standing 4-6-3 double play.

The Irish then retook the lead in the bottom of the fifth
inning with a two-RBI double from Ashdown.

Hudgins came on in relief
for Norton and also went four
innings, giving up four earned runs on six
hits and two walks.

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“TheIrish would add two
more runs in the sixth and
seventh innings, which proved to be the difference in the
game as Chicago State could only add one more run in the
seventh.

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“As a coach you rant and
rave before the game about
getting ready, and it is just
human nature for them not to
think that they are going to
win the game because they are
terrible and not very good,” he said.

“There better be a sense of
urgency this weekend because
we have some work to do.”

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FOOTBALL

Three fifth-years make the most of last spring

By MATT GAMBER
Sports Writer

Chris Stewart is in the midst of his fifth spring with the Irish, and he's the oldest guy on the team. But with a new coaching staff, a new scheme and a new practice attitude, there's a learning curve for everyone — even the offensive guard who enrolled at Notre Dame in January 2006.

Still, his perspective as someone who has been there before should be valuable to the Irish, whose spring roster includes five early enrollees and several young players battling for playing time under the new regime.

"The biggest perspective [I can bring] is that it's spring ball, a time to get better and a time to clean up some things," Stewart said. "You're always going to have pressure from the coaches ... but you have to keep in your mind that the season's a little bit away. There's time to get comfortable, learn new things and adjust to what's best for you so when the season does come, you can play your best."

Stewart and the other two fifth-year seniors — offensive lineman Dan Wenger and wide receiver Barry Gallup — will all serve as mentors of sorts this spring, despite going through adjustment periods of their own, Wenger said.

"It's my fourth spring, and it's my last spring," he said. "I'm embracing it no matter what. It's my last time as a college player and I'm trying to make the best of it. Fourth spring, fifth-year guy — you try to help the younger guys out, help them through this transition process as much as possible."

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BASEBALL

Clutch hitting, strong pitching lead squad

By JARED JEDICK
Senior Sports Writer

Notre Dame edged out a close 6-4 win against struggling Chicago State by riding quality pitching from freshman right-hander Adam Norton, sophomore right-hander Will Hudgins and senior left-hander David Mills on a night when the bats seemed to be a bit quiet.

"I want to tip my cap to Norton, Hudgins and Mills, because they pitched really well for us today because our hitters were not very focused against their pitchers," Irish coach Dave Schrage said. "We hit too many fly balls and we got away with this win. We need to be more focused at the plate."

"I would like to see our players come out playing the game," Irish coach Jim Kubinski said. "I think we've done too much trying this spring."

This final round of golf will be crucial for the Irish as the Big East Championships looms less than one week away. Notre Dame has not participated in a competitive golf tournament since its 12th place finish at the Spring Break Championship to conclude the month of March.

Since the Irish will be hosting the Battle at the Warren, they have the advantage of a comfort level with the course.

"Playing at home is normally a big edge in golf," Schrage said. "It's my fourth spring, and it's my last spring," he said. "I'm embracing it no matter what. It's my last time as a college player and I'm trying to make the best of it. Fourth spring, fifth-year guy — you try to help the younger guys out, help them through this transition process as much as possible."

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Senior infielder Heather Johnson takes a cut during Notre Dame's 2-0 victory over South Florida Sunday.

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