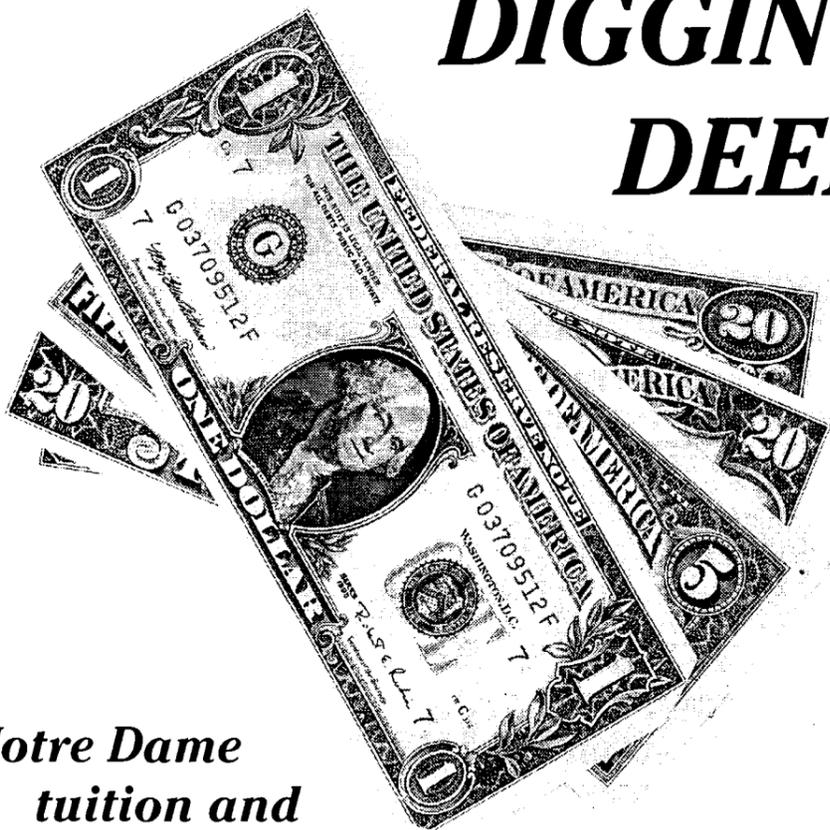


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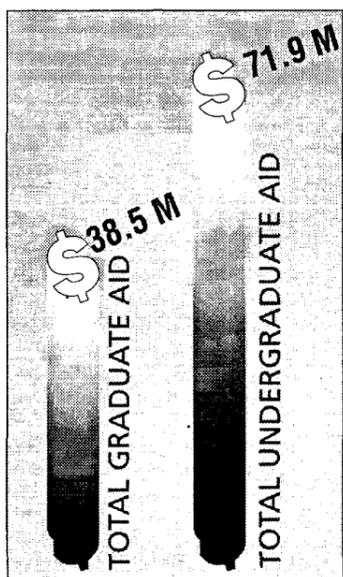
Notre Dame tuition and aid policies squeeze middle class

By MICHAEL LEWIS
News Writer

The high tuition costs and other expenses associated with attending the University of Notre Dame cause many families to make significant sacrifices, but the Financial Aid Office and the President's Office claim they are working to make attending this school feasible for every student who is admitted.

University President Father Edward Malloy addressed the issue in his 1993 Colloquy Report; his leading recommendations dealt with providing more accessible financial aid programs for students by the year 2000.

"The University's ideal and goal should be to provide each undergraduate with a financial aid package which meets 100 percent of demonstrated financial need and is only



moderately dependent upon loans and work. Additional funds for financial aid should be sought primarily through enhanced endowment," wrote Malloy in the Colloquy.

Father Richard Warner, counselor to the president, recalled a time nine years ago when tuition was going up at seven, eight, and nine percent per year, adversely affecting the student body.

He cited recent increases in financial aid and decreases in the rate of tuition increase as steps he believes are in a good direction.

"Let's not kid ourselves, many people make huge sacrifices to come here," Warner stated, acknowledging that

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Aid tries to improve upon 'conservative fiscal policy'

By ALLISON KOENIG
News Writer

Unlike many leading universities, the Office of Admissions at Notre Dame does not guarantee to meet prospective students' full financial needs upon acceptance.

The admissions catalogue, in fact, states in plain language that there are "a number of students who choose to go elsewhere because they cannot afford to go here."

Incomplete financial packages can be a severe deterrent for a high school student evaluating Notre Dame as one of his or her college options.

Director of Admissions Kevin Rooney believes that "while Notre Dame has a more conservative fiscal policy than most universities," the movement to upgrading financial incentives for students has been obvious over the past ten years.

Rooney indicated that in the past decade, the number of need-based scholarships has nearly doubled. Ten years ago, there were 300-350 scholarships used by a freshman class. Since then, the average class size has increased by roughly 30 students, but the number of scholarships

for that class now totals close to 700.

"Progress has definitely been made," Rooney said.

The admissions literature asserts that "many families recognize the unique qualities of a Notre Dame education and make financial sacrifices to provide the education." Rooney provided parental loans as an example of familial sacrifice for a Notre Dame education. About 10 percent of the freshman class' guardians have taken out similar loans to help finance their children's educations.

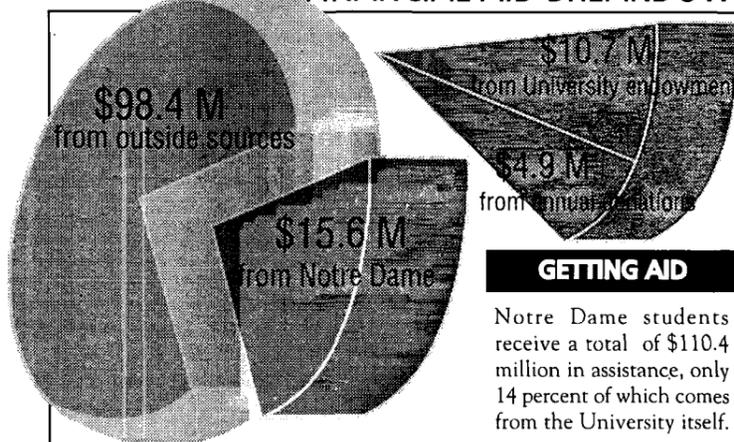
Nonetheless, there is still that "number of students that choose to go elsewhere because they cannot afford to go here" to whom the admissions catalogue refers.

Each year, Notre Dame admits about 3,800 new students, which is twice the number of spots available. Fifty percent of those accepted enroll, filling every bed at Notre Dame. Rooney noted that the national enrollment average is between 35 and 40 percent of students accepted.

The Office of Admissions sends surveys to students who decline their acceptance to Notre Dame.

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FINANCIAL AID BREAKDOWN



GETTING AID

Notre Dame students receive a total of \$110.4 million in assistance, only 14 percent of which comes from the University itself.

The Observer/Peter Cilella

CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Du Lac revisions, alcohol policy top agenda

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Assistant News Editor

The Campus Life Council discussed possible revisions to du Lac at last night's meeting. Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for the Office of Residence Life, told the council that alcohol policy will be among the issues his office considers for revision this summer.

"We have gotten a few of these [ideas] from resolutions passed by this council," Kirk said. "We will be looking at reformatting du Lac to make it more user-friendly. We in the Office of Residence Life are very interested and excited about making the document more accessible to students.

"We will also look at the policy about driving under the influence of alcohol and

drugs," Kirk continued. "In light of recent national surveys on binge drinking and alcohol abuse, the alcohol policy itself will be under closer scrutiny for possible revision. That is not to be construed in any way to say that we will be considering going to a dry campus. We will simply be scrutinizing the policy much closer."

He said that among changes in the alcohol policy, all-hall semi-formal dances — commonly referred to as SYRs — will be examined to see how they can be used to cut down on binge drinking.

The revision topics will be discussed by the du Lac revision committee of the CLC, a committee created in accordance with a policy that was started last year. Through this outlet, the CLC can discuss the

revision topics and suggest any changes or additional topics to the Office of Residence Life.

"Patty [O'Hara] has reiterated the importance of this twice, so we should hold up our end of the policy," said Mark Leen, chairman of the revision committee. They will meet on Wednesday to discuss the topics.

One change that the Office of Residence Life will not make was discussed in O'Hara's response from O'Hara to a resolution passed by the Campus Life Council at their last meeting. The resolution called for the expectations of students in disciplinary hearings to be enumerated and relabeled as rights.

In her letter of response, O'Hara said that the word

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Bill Kirk explained Student Affairs' scrutinization of the alcohol policy to the CLC yesterday. "This is not to be construed in any way to say we are considering going to a dry campus," he said.

The Observer/Brandon Candura

INSIDE COLUMN

Preparing for the next step

I have written many inside columns over the past year. All of these columns have concerned topics which I hoped would be of significance to all of the Notre Dame community, or at least to all of the undergraduates.

Now, as midsemester break looms, I will write of what is foremost in my mind: graduation.

I, like about a quarter of the other undergraduates on campus, am a senior. Like this quarter of campus, find myself more and more reliant on what news comes to me through the mail.

Commencement information has arrived, but, beyond that, the post brings letters of acceptance or denial of admission into graduate schools, job offers or rejections, responses to application to service organizations, or other solutions to the uncertainty which lies after all of the mid-May celebrations.

Although Notre Dame is a definite glimpse into what the real world will offer, many of the problems and pleasures of complete independence from our parents have not been realized. Being one of the lucky people on campus, I will graduate without significant debt. However, as a graduate of the College of Arts and Letters, I will be at a disadvantage in the job market. This, as many of my fellow members of the college understand, is a clear stumbling block for the future.

Rent, insurance, and other consequences of financial independence threaten us all as we leave Notre Dame. Even the small essentials of cooking or relating to a new environment can seem daunting. Hopefully we will all be prepared.

As seniors, many people such as our parents, professors, administration, and hall staff have attempted to help us equip ourselves with the life skills that we'll need. They help us to realize that it's time to leave. Not only have we successfully filled the requirements for our major and for graduation, but we have also (hopefully) experienced all that we came to Notre Dame to experience. We have sucked the marrow out of this life.

Notre Dame has shown us some of the greatest joys, sorrows, and passions that we have known. We have lived through four years of extremes, and now it's time to go. We should be ready. We should be prepared.

Even for the people who have jobs or who are engaged or who have something secured for their lives after graduation, the future brings uncertainty. It's something that we all feel at this time. Hopefully, however, this uncertainty is accompanied by a sense of completion.

Even if we don't have anything definitive for next year, we should be beginning to feel the need to leave. For some people this need to leave is a feeling of anxiety and fear. For some people this need to leave is a feeling of longing for escape. For others it is a sense of satisfaction.

When we leave here, we leave the SYRs, the 10 p.m. dorm masses, and the Bookstore Basketball. This last quarter of a semester is a transitional time. We will have to move out of our comfort zone here at Notre Dame and begin confront the future. Good luck to everyone.

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

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Five children die in Baltimore house fire

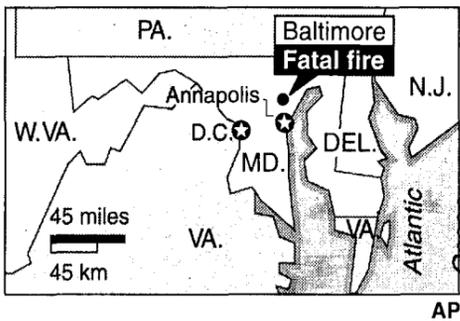
BALTIMORE
Six children sleeping in a second-floor bedroom died in a rowhouse fire early Monday as their screaming father tried to save them.

The children, a girl and five boys ranging in age from 2 to 12, are believed to have died of smoke inhalation.

Their parents and a 23-month-old boy who was sleeping with them escaped out the window of a back bedroom, Battalion Chief Hector Torres said. The father returned and tried to rescue the others, but the fire was too intense.

"He kept yelling, 'My children are in there! My children are in there! Someone help me!'" said Milton Mehlinger, who lives a block away. "The whole front of the house was on fire. You could see it spreading. The smoke was unbelievable."

"I wanted to go kick the door in but I couldn't get near there. It would have been suicide," said neighbor Steve



Street. "I was up all night just thinking about the children."

The blaze broke out on the first floor of the east Baltimore rowhouse and spread up the stairs, trapping the children.

The cause of the fire was under investigation. The owner of the house, a police officer, said there was a smoke detector in the kitchen but not on the second floor, Torres said.

The victims' names were not immediately released. The parents and the surviving child were treated at a hospital for smoke inhalation and released.

Neighbors wept as they walked by the house. Charred mattresses were piled up under the window of the children's room, and the pavement was littered with a yellow plastic bowling pin, blue toy telephone and Lego blocks.

"It's sad, sad," said Cheryl Nixon, who recalled watching the children play outside as she passed on her way home from work. "Six babies, sad."

Gore denies fundraising violations

WASHINGTON

Vice President Al Gore, under fire for his aggressive role in campaign fund raising, acknowledged Monday he made solicitation calls from his White House office but denied any wrongdoing. "Everything I did, I understood to be lawful," Gore said. Yet, he added that he had decided never to make such fund-raising calls from his office again. "I never did anything I thought was wrong," the vice president said. Gore defended his actions in a high-stakes White House news conference, markedly different from his occasional appearances on behalf of administration initiatives. This time, Gore was trying to protect his political honor as looks ahead to the presidential race in 2000. Gore said, "On a few occasions, I made some telephone calls from my office using a DNC credit card" — a reference to the Democratic National Committee. He said that as vice president, he was exempt from laws that generally prohibit people from fund raising in public buildings "I never did anything that I felt was wrong, much less illegal," the vice president said.



Blackbeard's flagship resurfaces

RALEIGH, N.C.

Treasure hunters have discovered what is believed to be Blackbeard's flagship less than two miles offshore, nearly three centuries after the pirate ship went down. "We've not found the smoking blunderbuss yet, but we have found enough artifacts to make us think this may be Queen Anne's Revenge," said Jeffrey Crow, director of the state Division of Archives and History. The wreck was found in November by Intersal Inc., a treasure hunting company, in just 20 feet of water in Beaufort Inlet. "If you could have seen through that dirty water, it was right there," said Intersal's Mike Daniel. Queen Anne's Revenge, flagship of the fearsome English buccaneer Edward "Blackbeard" Teach, sank in 1718 after running onto a sandbar. So did the Adventure, a sloop in Blackbeard's fleet that went to its aid. The wreck site is dominated by a mound of cannons encrusted with coral. Queen Anne's Revenge is thought to have carried up to 40 cannons, and their position is consistent with a ship that ran aground and tipped to one side, Daniel said. A blunderbuss barrel was brought up from the wreck, along with a bronze bell dated 1709, a 24-pound cannonball and a sounding weight. The discovery ended a decade of research.

Schools may sub yogurt for meat

WASHINGTON

Kids who have a beef with their school menu are getting a new alternative with the government's blessings: yogurt for lunch. Over strenuous objections of the cattle industry, the Agriculture Department has decided to allow yogurt as a meat substitute in the nation's school lunchrooms. Child-care providers and the food industry have been clamoring for the change for at least 15 years. School officials predict yogurt will be a hit with kids. "They love it," said Katie Wilson, who runs the school lunch program in West Salem, Wis. "The little kids we have now grew up with yogurt." Yogurt is low in fat and will offer a needed alternative for children who cannot or don't eat meat, said Mary Ann Keefe, USDA's acting undersecretary for food, nutrition and consumer services. The department already allows schools to substitute cheese, beans, eggs and peanut butter for meat. Yogurt will be added to the approved list of substitutes by the end of this week, Keefe said Monday. Many schools already offer yogurt at salad bars or as an a la carte item. Now schools will be allowed to serve it as a main lunch item, giving children a new choice.

FCC approves national radio service

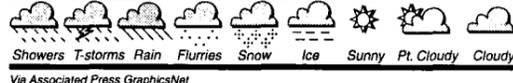
WASHINGTON

After five years of work, federal regulators approved a plan Monday that would bring a new form of news and entertainment to people who spend a lot of time in their cars: radio stations that travel with them. The Federal Communications Commission's action creates two licenses for CD-quality digital radio that is transmitted nationally or regionally by satellite. Like cable television, customers of the new service — at least three years away — will probably have to pay to listen. The broadcasting industry opposes the action, saying it's a threat to local radio service. The FCC will auction the licenses beginning April 1. The four companies expected to bid are CD Radio of Washington, American Mobile Satellite Corp. of Reston, Va., Digital Satellite Broadcasting of Seattle and Primosphere of New York. To receive the service, a customer would need a special radio and a tiny disc-shaped antenna. Ideally, a single radio would receive both the new service and local broadcast signals. The broadcast industry plans a switch to digital technology so local stations also will have top-quality sound.

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Davie uses luncheon to discredit accusations

Tulane situation, assistants and recruiting covered

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Assistant News Editor

According to Bob Davie, head coach of the Notre Dame football team, the key to a successful football program rests in the quality of the assistant coaches that the head coach hires.

"I have had a chance to surround myself with some good people here [at Notre Dame]," Davie said. "I think that with their coaching style, families and the type of people they are, I have assembled a really great staff."

Davie, the focus of recent allegations of age discrimination from former offensive line coach Joe Moore, spoke to the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph's

Valley at a luncheon yesterday. He addressed questions about his coaching staff, recruiting, and his goals for the Notre Dame football program.

Davie highlighted the strengths of every member of his new coaching staff. He had special praise for his new offensive coordinator Jim Colletto, saying, "he really is the perfect fit for Notre Dame, in both the schemes he runs and in the type of person that he is."

Early in his coaching career at the Morris Inn, he responded to the suit brought upon him by Moore and the allegations of misconduct at Tulane University, where Davie was the defensive coordinator, that were brought up last week.



"I want to address the one issue [of the allegations] because I have so much respect for the Notre Dame Clubs, and if anyone deserves an answer it is you," he said. "But unfortunately I cannot say anything specific. I can say that the thing that I am most proud of is my reputation."

"A lot has been made of a past that I didn't even know

letes," he said. "They want to win, but they want to do it right. They want to do it with integrity."

Davie also mentioned the student body as one of Notre Dame's advantages. "This student body is hard-working, focused, and they want to get involved," he said. "Ninety-five percent of the student body attends football games here."

This is because Notre Dame football is obviously important, but it is also because they have a lot of respect for the student

Dame to the Midwest. "We have already made contact with the entire state of Ohio," he said. "When recruiting season opens up, my assistants and I will take the first day and cover Chicago just to show how important that city is to us. Then, on day two, we will move up north and cover Detroit. The next three days will be dedicated to the state of Ohio."

"We have to re-establish ourselves in this region, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. We have a good class this year. And while I do not think that we will win a national championship this year, next year we will have one of the absolute top recruiting classes in college football."

He described his goal for the recruiting class as combining "integrity and balance. I need to find kids that are going to fit in and stay here."

Davie finished by describing the different look that Notre Dame football will have in the coming season. "We are going to be a big-time blitz team," he said. "On offense, we will be more of a dropback team. We have very few superstars. But we have pretty good depth and will play a lot of players."

The Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph's Valley hosted the luncheon as part of a continuing series. Earlier in the series, athletic director Mike Wadsworth spoke about the search for a new head football coach days before announcing Davie had been given the job.

'I can say that the thing that I am most proud of is my reputation. I know that all five of the programs I have worked for would hire me back.'

Bob Davie

that I had," Davie continued. "But I know that all five of the programs that I have worked for, including the one [Tulane University] that was brought up this week, would hire me back."

Davie praised his players as the reason that his job is, what he calls, "the best head coaching job in the country."

"The greatest thing about this University are the student ath-

letes that are on the field."

He then outlined the different speaking engagements that he has planned with various student groups and his plan for getting four different dorms involved in every pep rally next year. "I have a very hands-on approach," he said. "I want to get [the students] in there and let them get involved."

Davie said he would return the recruiting base for Notre

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2:27 p.m. Security responded to a hit and run accident in the B2/ C2 parking lot. There were no injuries reported.

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Squeeze

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Notre Dame's policies on tuition and financial aid may squeeze out the middle class.

"Father Scully [vice president and senior associate provost], Father Beauchamp [executive vice president], the Budget Committee, and the Financial Aid office are very aware of that and they have worked very hard to provide a feasible solution," he added.

Warner further noted that, if not for the Financial Aid Office, many people would be in trouble. He said that the sticker price of attending the University is only one factor, as the core mission values are what makes Notre Dame worthwhile.

"The ideal goal would be that we want to make a Notre Dame education feasible for every student admitted," he stated.

"By a combination of resources, we hope to be in a position to someday allow students to choose Notre Dame for the right reasons," agreed Joseph Russo, director of Financial Aid. "We're working to close the gap between costs and available assistance.

"Every time costs increase, our challenge gets bigger," he explained. "The rate of increase in scholarships has been dramatic."

Notre Dame students are receiving \$110.4 million in monetary assistance in the 1996-97 school year, toward which the University contributes \$15.6 million in scholarships. That total is amassed from \$10.7 million of the \$1.3 billion endowment and \$4.9 million from annual giving.

Seventy-one percent of undergraduates receive aid, while 86 percent of the graduate students do. The undergraduates get \$71.9 million; graduate students, \$38.5 mil-

lion.

"The rate of tuition increase is the lowest in three decades," Russo said. "We're making it (a Notre Dame education) more feasible every year."

Russo estimated that a four person family (two children, one enrolled at Notre Dame) that has an annual income of \$50,000-\$60,000 might demonstrate \$15,000 of financial need. Loans and work-study provide \$7,700; the remaining \$7300 would be supplied through a scholarship, if the student is a Notre Dame Scholar.

The office starts with self-help, according to Russo, and then tries to provide the necessary assistance to make attendance at Notre Dame possible, and about 75-80 percent of those admitted apply for aid.

"Affording a higher education is becoming one of the major concerns for all families," he said.

A recent edition of the New York Times reported that one item in President Clinton's five point agreement with GOP Congressional leaders was providing families with financial educational help.

Additional recommendations concerning Notre Dame as an option for qualified members of the middle class included increasing the percentage of grants in financial aid packages for top students and giving more aid to law, MBA, and M. Div. students.

Though attending the University causes many families to make significant sacrifices, the administration is working to ease the financial pressure on students and families.

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"rights" was too legalistic and that she preferred to call such an enumerated list entitlements.

Ryan McNerney, judicial council president and the member of the CLC that presented the original resolution from the Student Senate, wrote a personal letter to O'Hara that he read in the meeting as a response to O'Hara's letter.

In the letter, McNerney states that, "The term [O'Hara] recommended, ["entitled"] is equally legalistic and in fact synonymous with our recommended term, ["rights"]."

Father Pat Sullivan, Faculty Senator, agreed that the term "entitled" was legalistic and added, "it has a negative connotation in modern politics. If they are legally the same, why not use the one that receives more popular acceptance?"

O'Hara's response also noted the close vote by which the resolution had passed; details included a procedural point that allowed it to pass. This angered some members of the council.

"The resolution passed and she should have dealt with the body of the resolution, not the vote," said Ava Preacher, associate dean of the college of arts and letters. "She keeps referring to the vote, but we had a quorum with most of the people here and she should have dealt with the resolution."

To finish the meeting, the CLC subcommittees summarized their years' accomplishments for the body of the council.

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Aid

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From the 900 or so that are returned, about 200 indicate that they would have chosen to attend had the school been more affordable.

According to Rooney, these students instead choose to attend other major national private schools or flagship state universities such as Virginia, Michigan, or the University of California system.

It was under Father Hesburgh's term as University president that the idea of consciously including relatives of Notre Dame alumni in each class. He felt that because of their outstanding support of the school, legacies should be continuously welcome at Notre Dame.

Hesburgh suggested the number involve about 25 percent of the student body; this figure has remained constant, as 21-26 percent of students in each current class have legacy ties to Notre Dame.

Rooney was quick to clarify that this number "...is a goal, not an absolute quota.

"We do not take (academically) weak students for the sake of fulfilling that number."

The diversity subcommittee, chaired by Allyson Luck, has spoken to First Year of Studies about setting up a multicultural program during orientation that will be much like the peer counseling program.

McInerney, chair of the alcohol subcommittee, introduced the three points that have topped the agenda for his committee. "Sorin's success in their no-tolerance policy could be seen as a model that other dorms should ascribe to," he said. "We are also interested in increasing student-faculty interaction and the awareness of and availability of awareness classes on wellness issues."

Shane Bigelow, chair of the student life subcommittee, asked that his committee be allowed to remain a standing committee, to be known as the Student Concerns Committee. "We have done a lot that has seemingly fallen through the cracks of the CLC," he said citing the possibility of a new shuttle service for students and working with director of facilities operations Gary Shumaker to fix the drainage problem on the North Quad.

The CLC will meet again on March 17. The last meeting of the current CLC will take place one week later, on March 24.

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Ask Susan Vance about her special relationship with Saint Mary's College students and she will tell her story of teaching at Saint Mary's while studying alongside her students for the CPA test.



Vance

"There were certain sections of the test I felt I was over-prepared for, especially the law section. With my law degree, many students jokingly asked if they could sit by me during that portion of the exam," Vance laughed.

There are hundreds of stories Vance could recite about pursuing her education and earning a law degree, doctorate, B.A. in education, and reaching the

post of lieutenant commander of the Coast Guard Reserves.

But perhaps Vance's most cherished stories are about her family of four children and successful relationship with her supportive husband.

For her myriad of personal and professional accomplishments, Vance has been selected as the Woman of the Year at Saint Mary's. Sponsored by the Student Academic Council, nominations for the award were mailed out to the Saint Mary's community. A special committee on the Student Academic Council, the Women's Month Committee, selected Vance.

The associate professor and chair of the business administration and economics department reflected yesterday afternoon about what it means to be a woman and the challenges that accompany that title.

Raised in a traditional blue-collar home in the 1950s and

the oldest of six children, Vance assumed her life would follow that of her mother's.

"My parents stressed hard work and the importance of education," said Vance. "Being the oldest, I was expected to set the example for the younger five."

Vance succeeded in setting the example, as all six children graduated from college.

"To this day, my mother is so proud of her children's education accomplishments that she introduces me to people as her daughter who is a lawyer," Vance said.

As Vance labeled her college experience the "Donna Reed Years," she remembers there were few academic paths for women to take in the past besides education and nursing. Later, Vance found herself pregnant, without a job, and with the opportunity to step back and reflect on her role in society and where she fits in as

a woman.

"I was empowered by the realization that I could do what I believe and enter into new uncharted worlds as a woman," said Vance.

By joining the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves, Vance wanted to support the country after the taboo image given to the service sectors following Vietnam. Serving in the Reserves also allowed Vance the opportunity to spend more time with her family.

Vance felt that joining the Reserves was the beginning step of her personal women's movement as a mother and professional.

Her second step was deciding to go to law school. She knew of no woman before her who had graduated with the full-time demands of a family while at the same time balancing the demands of law school.

Graduating third in a class of 160 students with only seven

women, Vance wanted to disprove stereotypes that women were unreliable.

Seeking a flexible career, Vance returned to teaching academics at Illinois State, while earning a degree in accounting. In 1980, Vance was tenured at Saint Mary's.

"Achieving tenure at Saint Mary's increased my self-esteem. Being at the same economic income level with my husband greatly enhances our relationship," she said.

Junior finance major Beth Phelan said, "She is an incredible professor, but an even more incredible woman. Her classes are not only academically stimulating, but her personal stories show a deeper side to the woman as she encourages us to never doubt our dreams and goals in life."

With the incredible female role models in fields of science, medicine, government and law, Vance indicated there is no going back for today's generation of college-aged women.

"One gift granted to this present generation of women in college is the balancing of family and work has been taken for granted and viewed as a given," Vance explained. "It takes time to develop healthy relationships between family, spouse, and work. Women have to be diligent as I now pass the torch onto this next generation of women."

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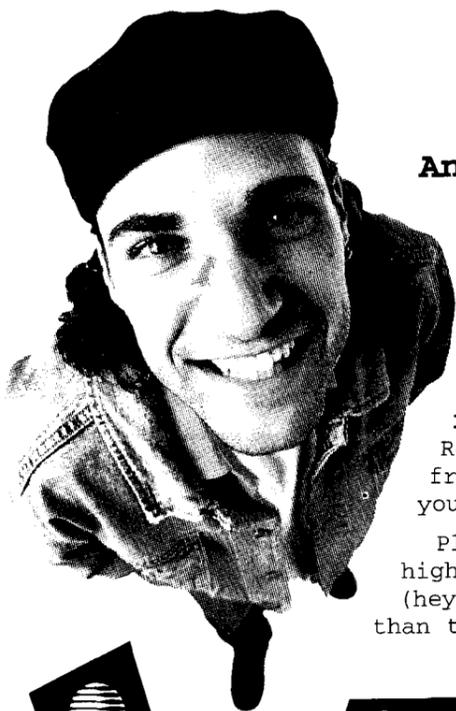
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Warner receives first ROTC faculty award

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's Air Force ROTC detachment named Father Richard Warner, counselor to the University president, the first recipient of the annual Air Force ROTC Faculty Appreciation Award Monday.



Warner

The award is designated for a Notre Dame faculty or staff member who has shown continued support for Air Force ROTC.

Air Force ROTC members say Warner is the inaugural recipient because he not only attends all awards ceremonies and special Air Force ROTC events, but he also makes himself available to Air Force cadets for counseling and spiritual guidance.

David Slaydon, the cadet commander of Notre Dame Air Force ROTC, and Jennifer Clavenna, the vice comman-

der, presented Warner with the award. Slaydon stressed the importance of the support Warner gives.

"Without faculty support, Air Force ROTC would not be nearly as successful as it is. University support is essential to our presence and prosperity as a Catholic university," Slaydon said.

"It means a lot to the cadets for Father Warner, being both a senior administration official and a clergyman, to devote so much of his valuable time and energy to helping Air Force ROTC," he continued.

Slaydon also said that this award was created and its recipient was chosen by the student cadets, not by the Air Force faculty, showing the appreciation of the cadets for University support.

The award consists of a plaque and a \$100 donation to the South Bend Center for the Homeless in the recipient's name.

The award is expected to become an annual presentation.

Singers prep for Shakespeare

Special to The Observer

The South Bend Chamber Singers will set Shakespeare to music in a concert this week. "The Food of Love: Contemporary Choral Settings of Shakespeare," will be presented on Friday, March 7 at 8 p.m. in O'Laughlin Auditorium at Saint Mary's College.

Under the direction of Nancy Menk, the program features Shakespearean texts set to 20th century choral works. The evening includes Ralph Vaughan Williams' "Three Shakespeare Songs" and "Serenade to Music;" "Shakespeare Madrigals" by Gregg Smith; "Music to Hear

(Five Shakespeare Settings)" by George Shearing; and Benjamin Britten's "Fancie." The concert will be interpreted in American Sign Language and is sponsored by a grant from Elizabeth Cullity and June Edwards with the support of the Indiana Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts. David Eicher will accompany the choir.

The South Bend Chamber Singers, an ensemble-in-residence at Saint Mary's College, was founded in 1989. The 28 members have extensive musical backgrounds, but their current professions range from carpenters and ministers

to lawyers and college professors. The Chamber Singers have been heard nationwide on National Public Radio's weekly series "The First Art" and have been featured locally on WNIT's television series "Across the Dial."

Tickets for "The Food of Love" are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens, \$6 for Saint Mary's and Notre Dame community members and \$5 for students.

All tickets are on sale at the Saint Mary's box office, located in O'Laughlin Auditorium. The box office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 284-4626 with questions.

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THE MIGHTY OAK

Users are losers: Jumping off the Internet bandwagon

"Imagine a place with no age. No race. No gender. Utopia? No, the Internet," answers a haunting, profound voice in a commercial. What in the hell kind of misguided, propagandist crap is

Sean O'Connor



this? Maybe I am unenlightened, but I just cannot grasp this comparison of the Internet to a heaven-like state of perfection. This is ridiculous, and anyone who would buy into this arrogant marketing attempt is a fool.

Granted, the Internet has real value as a tool for business and communications. I know it saved me many letters written when I was overseas. But who has access to the Internet? Certainly not the majority. And of those who do get access, how many use it only as a toy? It is no great equalizer. Age, gender, race and every other human quality still exist in the user of the Internet. Users are not suspended in some weird alternate-reality cyberspace like Tron or Lawnmower Man, but remain actual corporeal beings. And, of course, anything that is placed onto the Net by a user is filtered through the perception of that user. How, then, is there no age, gender or race? Apparently only visually, in those chat room things.

I am perplexed by those things. Once I entered one called something like The.Worthless.Blubber.Hotel@www.losers.com to investigate. The witty repartee of the participants consisted mostly of lurid and perverted references to things unprintable in a medium that consists of words on paper. All of these lonely souls — who actually might have been genderless, or at least gender-confused

judging by some of the exchanges — had clever handles (this is the CB word for the call sign; I do not know the Internet word). Particularly impressive were "MCNetStud" and "BigDong1."

Who are these people, and do they have contact with other people in the world outside of electrical signals? If I said something to "MCNetStud," using my larynx and tongue, would he respond using like mechanism, or would he scurry away to some dark den and respond via computer hours later under cover of night? Perhaps "MCNetStud" resembles Robert Duvall's Boo Radley in "To Kill A Mockingbird."

Or perhaps he is a more sinister character, after the manner of one J. Orlin Grabbe. This Harvard Ph.D. maintains a web site which gives detailed accounts of a host of conspiracies being foisted onto the public by such agents of evil as the U.S. government, the Israeli Massad, the killers of Ron Brown and Vincent Foster, and many others. Thank God I was made aware of the horrible, apocalyptic plans of these characters; I will now spread the word to all my "friends" in the chat room.

In an illuminating "60 Minutes" interview, my boy Grabbe, while pulling on a Guinness in a bar in Nevada called Area 51, explained to Leslie Stahl why — although he had no proof for any of his ridiculous theories — he should still be able to distribute them over the web. When Stahl asked the apparent delusionary — with his long, bedraggled locks falling past his wild-eyed visage onto the supple, chained leather of his jacket — if he himself believed the conspiracy theories, Grabbe replied that he did not believe in "much of anything." Excellent. Maybe I will create my own conspiracy page today, if someone will show me how to use a computer.

I am a big fan of the Boba Fett discussion group, a web site devoted to the raging debate over the true nature of that hardest of bounty hunters from the Star Wars Trilogy. Now in the movies, as you all know, this character is quite

mysterious, without many lines and usually tertiary to the scene. Yet, because of his hardness, a cult following seems to have blossomed. And where better to propagate strange cults than over the Internet?

So, the argument goes, BOBASBOY1: "I heard that Boba Fett is actually a Jedi warrior who was overcome by the power of the Emperor." WebWarrior: "Is there any truth to the rumor that Boba Fett escaped from the Sarlacc's pit by using his mandalorian armor's built-in ion exchanger to ignite the mucus of the Sarlacc's gut, thus causing a subatomic implosion which caused the Sarlacc to cough him up, but at the same time horribly disfigured him and ruined his armor?" LLKoolVillo: "The other night I was walking home and I saw Boba Fett outside the liquor store and he told me over a bottle of Captain Morgan's that he did indeed escape the 1,000 year digestion by using his ion exchanger, but that he had spare armor on his home world of Softcor."

These guys need to go outside and play catch or something. I do not remember any of this from the three movies I saw (but of course, "Return of the Jedi: Special Edition" is not out yet). Basically, they are trying to determine the "truth" about a minor fictional character by discussing hearsay gleaned from the Internet based on paperbacks written by authors who apparently have licensing agreements with George Lucas. Well, I heard Boba Fett was actually Luke and Leia's triplet. I wonder what J. Orlin Grabbe heard?

Perhaps the Internet will profoundly change our culture — perhaps for the better, perhaps for the worse. God forbid somebody pick up a book, when they



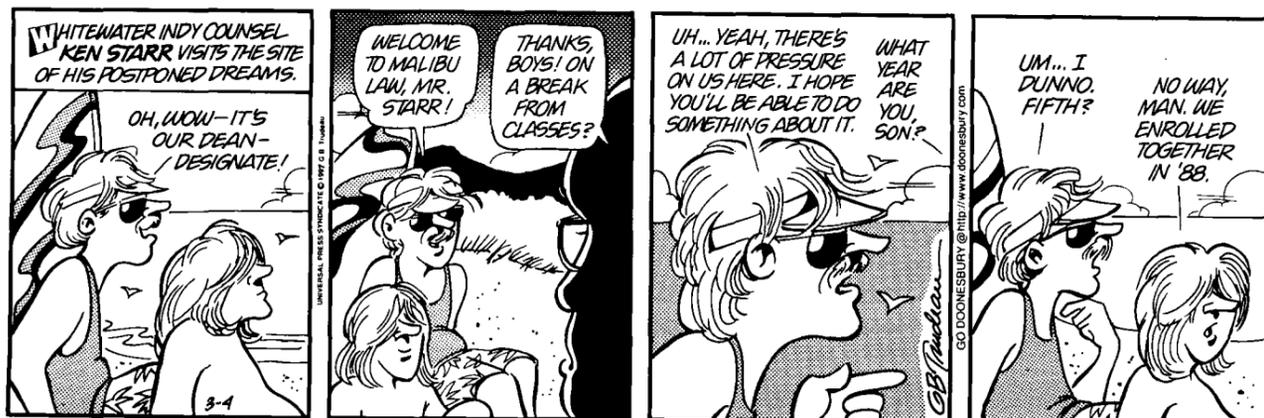
have access to one, instead of "surfing the Net" for watered-down versions of information which could have been posted by anyone — maybe even "MCNetStud." Hell, I like flirting with girls using e-mail as much as the next guy, but hopefully letter-writing will not perish. The benefits of the Internet are real in many ways, but they are not all-encompassing and transcendent of the humans who use the Net. Is it not dangerous to over-hype something that may eventually disappoint? The world cannot be saved over the wires, but they might help.

So I sit here like a hypocrite using Word 6.0 to type this, and I am reminded of the words of a wise man (not J. Orlin Grabbe): "Do not be too proud of this technological terror you have constructed. The power [of the Internet] is insignificant compared to the power of the force." :-)

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Ninety-nine percent of the people in the world are fools and the rest of us are in great danger of contagion."

—Thornton Wilder

As the World I

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Career & Placement vs. Inte

By MELANIE WATERS
Assistant Accent Editor

I knew it was time to look for an internship when the thought of repairing just one more Whac-A-Mole coin jam in Sea World's "Coco Loco" Arcade made me dizzily wonder what the heck I was doing with my Notre Dame education.

"I am an English major," I thought, "and here I am shoving rolls of tickets into Skee-Ball machines. I find lost children. I mop up Slushee spills. I rewire games in three inches of standing water every time it rains. I make \$4.85 an hour. I think I am insane."

At the end of the 1995 season I hung up my coveted game keys and vowed that I had whacked the last mole of my career. It was a bittersweet moment, as I realized that the "real world" was beckoning...at least, that's what my accounting major friends were saying.

The next spring, I launched my search for a summer internship that would somehow justify my choice of a major by offering reassurance that Morning Biscuit Maker Chief at Mickey D's was not my only career option. I was apprehensive, but I soon learned that there are internships of all shapes and sizes available, for whatever your career-to-be might entail.

Everyone knows that certain majors are not only led to their career down the internship path — they skip down the Yellow Brick Internship Road to the land of noZeating amounts of money. But internships can be a valuable training tool for all college students, from MIS and CAPP majors to theater-types to wanna-be political gurus.

Before you panic that you have yet to organize your thoughts as to what to eat for lunch, let alone how to go about finding the right summer internship, rest assured that there is a plethora of helpful information right here on campus.

And right now is the perfect time to be in the internship hunt, according to Career and Placement Services summer internship coordinator Robin Sullivan.

"Since the beginning of this semester it has been the optimum time for summer internship searching," Sullivan said. "It's starting to slow down a little bit," as far as companies coming to campus to recruit for the summer.

"Companies will tell us exactly what they're looking for — what classes, what majors — it just depends," she explained. "Then we publish a bulletin every Monday and Tuesday that lists the companies that are coming to recruit specifically for summer internships."

Often on this list are firms who also recruit heavily at Notre Dame for post-graduate jobs. According to Sullivan, it's a mutually beneficial relationship for both the companies and the University.

"It's a way for the firms to get a head start," she said. "They often will hire students who intern for them, so it's good for the company since they get to teach them ahead of time. For the students, of course, it's fantastic. We get very good feedback about Notre Dame students. Their quality and reputation precedes them, so it's really beneficial for both."

Sullivan said the the internship search process begins when the student comes into Career and Placement, located in the basement of the Hesburgh Library, to prepare a résumé. This is probably most easily and professionally done by using Resume Expert software. Of course, the disk is available at Career and Placement for a mere \$18.

According to behavioral scientists, people's impressions of one another are based:
60% on appearance
33% on speaking style
7% on content
quoted from The Internship Bible, Random House/Princeton Review

Sullivan believes it is money well spent, however, as the program can prepare several different styles of résumés as well as cover letters. She notes that the disk is especially helpful for students who may not have any previous experience in preparing a résumé.

After popping out a résumé, the student might then opt to check out Career and Placement's counseling services.

"We have career counselors that are available, either by appointment or during our on-call hours, which start at 1:30 and again at 3 p.m. each afternoon," Sullivan said. "It's a first come-first serve

basis, if students want to come in briefly to get some feedback on any issue that's pending for them."

Assuming that the student is satisfied with his or her résumé, the next step is to pick a plan of attack. Often, several search strategies can be used successfully at the same time. Career and Placement can help directly through the on-campus recruit opportunities for interviewing.

The first step in this process is to pick up a copy of the brochure that lists which companies will be recruiting on campus in the weeks to come. To get

an overview, a comprehensive packet is published at the beginning of each semester listing all of the companies that are scheduled to recruit.

The weekly packet has a calendar on the front which features a timeline to organize the student's steps. After selecting which companies and internships look appealing, the student fills out a request to interview form, which is a half sheet that is attached to two copies of his or her resume. The resumes and request form are placed in the box in the Career and Placement office that is labeled with the company's name. Two weeks later, the list of selected candidates and schedule of interview times is posted. One week from the posting, on-campus interviews take place.

Sullivan notes that it is important to use the Résumé Expert program in order to have your personal data and class schedule entered into a campus data base. This way, "it helps us to schedule interviews properly." In addition, firms that might be seeking only a certain kind of major can have Career and Placement compile a list of all the resumes that fit their specific criteria.

Sullivan stresses that students need to bring in their Résumé Expert disk to upload the resume and information into the Career and Placement database, and should remember to report any changes or revisions.

Career and Placement can do the "dirty work" for you when it comes to scheduling on-campus interviews, but there are plenty more opportunities beyond those Fortune 500 companies that recruit here. A particularly valuable resource, said Sullivan, is the Career Library, located right in the office.

Here, the student will find rows of filing cabinets stuffed with brochures and information on businesses, as well as floor-to-ceiling shelves full of books aimed at the "do-it-yourself" job or intern searcher.

Sullivan recommends starting with the internship books and binders on the left hand wall of the library.

The binders are organized by the date of receipt of the information, yet are color coded by due date. Sullivan reassures students that many deadlines do not fall until late March or April, so there's still plenty of time to check out the possibilities. The binders contain internships in a variety of fields. "There are a lot of good government internships, and we have a lot of internships through academic institutions, businesses, and non-profits," Sullivan said. "Some are paid, some are volunteer, and some you have to pay. Also, we have a summer bulletin board that we try to keep timely and fresh with new postings."

The library also offers a slew of internship books, grouped by both geographical location and area of interest. General guides like Peterson's Internships 1997 and the Princeton Review: America's Top Internships give the name, address, contact person, eligibility, benefits and availability of select internships across the country.

More specific guides include the Complete Guide to Seasonal State Park Employment, the National Directory of Arts Internships, and the Big Green Internship Book (environmental work).

"I think it's important for sophomores and juniors especially to know that there are people here to answer their questions," said Sullivan. Her final advice? "Become familiar with the programs. We have a lot of great information regarding summer internships, even summer camps for working with kids."

And yes, amusement parks such as Cedar Point, Disney World, and probably even Sea World recruit here as well. So if that Whac-a-mole urge beckons, at least you know that you can intern in park management. You might even get some free games.

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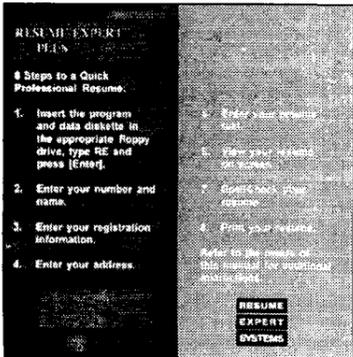
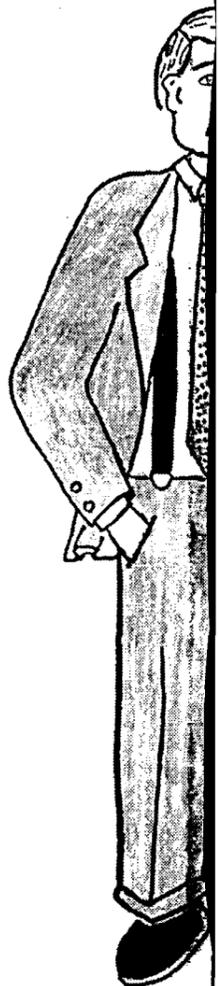
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Dressing For Suc

Do's:

- Men**
- Short sideburns and haircut
 - White shirt, stiff collar
 - Small, repeating pattern neckties
 - Single-breasted suits; solid or pinstripe, navy blue or gray
 - Black lace-ups or loafers

- Women**
- Hair at or above the collar; longer hair should be pulled back
 - Single color suits, skirts no higher than knee
 - Minimum or no fragrance
 - Low-heeled pumps
 - Button earrings



Interns... Side track? Internship Guides

HOMPSON

Summer Interns for the Cowboys, MTV, Disney Channel, Playboy Magazine, and Nike. When compared to babysitting or mowing lawns, working as an intern in a well-known, air-conditioned office may seem like a romantic notion, until you flip through the 700 pages of the 1997 Internship Bible and are overwhelmed. The guide prides itself on its comprehensive list of opportunities, but it also prides itself on its detailed breakdown of each opportunity into categories of compensation, location, and deadlines. The book also includes a list of job addresses.

Receive a thorough overview in minutes from Random House, with help from the Princeton Review, have your resume and worthwhile publication. Even if you are not interested, you can find fulfillment among the hundreds of internships in everything from foreign

affairs to biomedical research, or clothing design to motorcycle marketing.

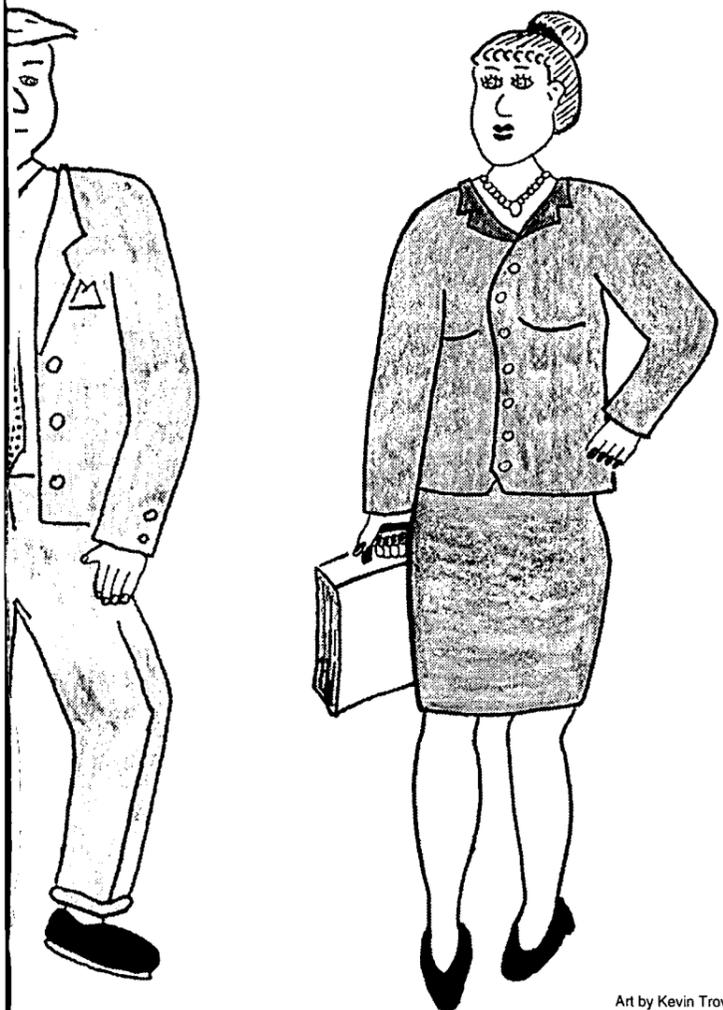
The Internship Bible is truly a resource, and at only \$25, a worthy purchase for anyone pursuant of such an opportunity, especially considering the return; the guide points out that employees who have interned earn thousands more than those who have not.



Perhaps the most interesting addition to The Internship Bible however, are the inserts. Each page contains a highlight, be it a photo of a former intern at work, or interviews with celebrities who once interned. Astronauts and actors candidly comment about their experiences, and provide both inspiration and advice for the reader. Statistics break down salary by field, cartoons add humor to the competitive mood of the guide, and itemized charts share the secrets for interviewing and cover letter success.

After exploring this so-called Bible, the average college student may choose either to worship the interning God or ward him off altogether. The process does appear taxing, but as Oldman and Hamadeh suggest, should certainly prove rewarding.

Success: Interviewing Do's and Don'ts



Don'ts:

Men

- Long hair, beards, moustaches
- Bright, button-down collars
- Loud or bold pattern neckties
- Check, plaid, or bright colored suits
- Penny loafers
- Musk fragrance

Women

- Ponytails, big hair
- More than one ring per hand; dangling earrings
- Revealing necklines
- Blazer jackets, short skirts (don't cross your legs during interview)
- Clear hosiery
- High heels, open-toed sandals

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MEDICAL MINUTE

BURN, Baby, BURN!

By LARRY WARD
Medical Minute Correspondent

Now it is only a matter of a few days away. The two words which make college students all across the country rejoice. Spring break! As always students will flock from all over the country to warm ports of call such as Panama City, Fort Lauderdale, Cancun, South Padre, and a slew of other beaches which cater to college students during these several weeks that compose spring break for all universities in the country.

Spring break is a time for students to release their inhibitions and do things that would not make their parents proud and that are definitely against du Lac. In other words, for Notre Dame students, it is the one week out of the school year that they can pretend that they attend college at a state university.

Unfortunately, though, spring break is also a time that many students can run into a host of severe health problems — alcohol poisoning, infectious diseases, and the most horrifying: SUNBURN.

For many students (mostly female), one of the biggest reasons that they travel to warm, exotic places for spring break is to bask their pale white bodies in the warm rays of the Florida or Caribbean sun. For students who attend college in South Bend, Indiana, though, they may simply head to such places to make sure that the sun does indeed still exist. Nonetheless, students this week will flock to Meijer to purchase tons of sun tanning liquids for their vacations. Over the next week, they will constantly apply the lotions to their bodies (or will have a sexy coed apply the lotion for them) in order to attain a golden brown glow to their bodies.

At one time, sunbathing was regarded as healthy by physicians. In fact, doctors sometimes even prescribed sunbathing for some patients to get over some of their ailments. However, today physicians know much better. Now, doctors have documented proof that extreme exposure to the sun's rays can result in several skin problems. Heinous wrinkles and malignant melanomas are often found in people who have had much exposure to the sun since a young age. Such problems can occur in individuals as early as the mid to late 20s but are much more common in people who are middle aged.

Sunburn is evidenced by red, tender, swollen skin and in some cases, water blisters. In severe cases of sunburn, the sufferer will become affected by fever, chills, nausea, and delirium.

Sunburn is the direct result of overexposure to the sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation. Typically, only the short wavelength UV light causes sunburn unless a particular individual has become photosensitive. The UV content of the sun varies. The content, interestingly enough, is greater at higher elevations since the sun's rays are not filtered out by clouds or haze. In addition, it is purely a myth that the cold air reduces the sun's rays; cold air does not reduce the ultraviolet light at all. Often, in colder weather, the sun's rays can reflect from snow, sand, water, and other surfaces and can burn as severely as direct sunlight.

The swollen red skin of sunburn manifests itself when the capillaries that supply blood to your skin become congested. Only short wavelength UV radiation is capable of both penetrating the skin and affecting the capillaries.

Mild sunburn and exposure to the sun may stimulate the skin to produce extra melanin as protection against further UV penetration. More melanin often means a deeper tan if the additional pigment is distributed evenly. If the extra pigment is not distributed evenly, it will form freckles, liver spots, or discolored splotches.

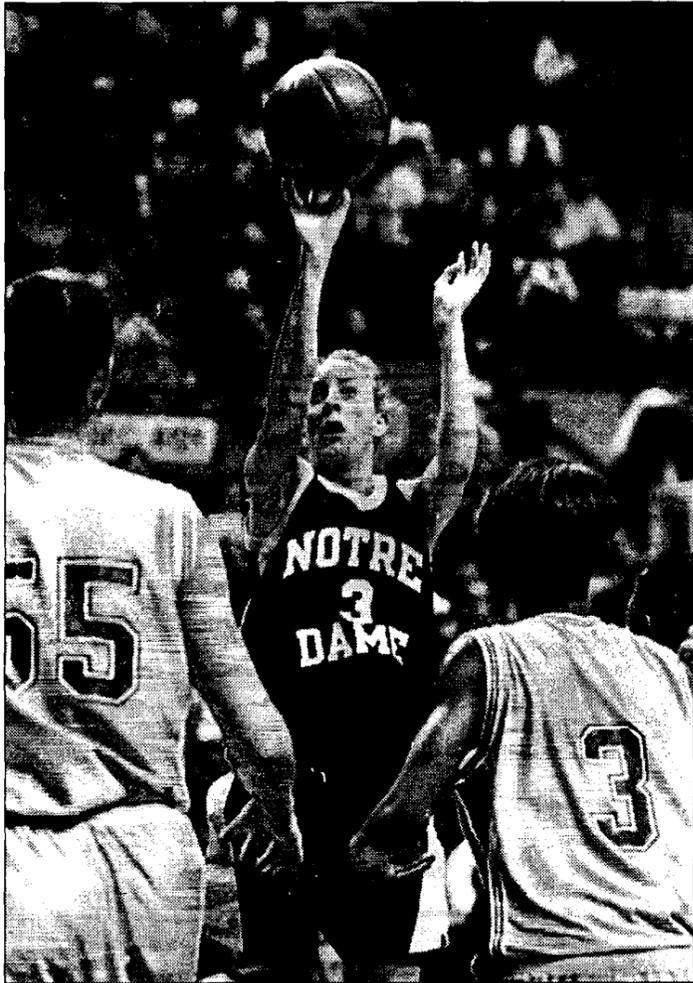
Melanin production and dispersal are genetic and there is nothing that you can do to change your tanning capacity. If you have naturally light colored skin, blue or green eyes, and blonde or red hair, you are more than likely genetically predisposed to burn easily. On the other hand, you will probably have a greater resistance to sunburn and an easy time tanning if you have dark brown eyes, brown or black hair, and brown or black skin.

The effects of sunburn are like that of any other burn, but its development is relatively slower than a heat burn. Sunburn does indeed damage your skin. Often, sunburn directly results in the death of skin cells and blister formation, and in many cases, takes a week or two to heal. The damage to skin cells from recurrent sunburn is cumulative, and continued overexposure to UV radiation results in the production of long term effects. Skin discoloration, actinic keratosis and skin cancer are all direct results of sunburn. Ninety percent of the damage done by skin cancer is irreversible. In addition, skin cancer that is traced back to prolonged exposure to the sun is often fatal.

If you still must sunbathe over spring break, try to reduce your exposure to the sun's rays. If you do sunburn, be sure to treat the burn by applying hydrocortisone cream to the affected skin several times daily.

In closing, enjoy your spring break and let loose all of your inhibitions, but remember, avoid overexposure to the sun at all costs!

Larry Ward is a junior science pre-professional major residing in Flanner Hall. He will be sure to avoid the harsh rays of the sun over spring break (primarily because he is heading to Pennsylvania).



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Junior Mollie Peirick helped boost the Irish past the Hoyas, 83-43.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Manager debuts in semifinals

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

STORRS, Conn
With about eight minutes remaining in Notre Dame's 83-43 destruction of Georgetown, Muffet McGraw sensed that the time was right.

Soon after, the Notre Dame coach inserted Christy Grady into the contest.

In her six minutes of play, Grady scored two points, grabbed three rebounds and made a steal.

In fact, Grady stole the show.

A junior manager for the Irish, Grady was forced into action, as Notre Dame had just seven healthy players.

"I jokingly said something to an assistant coach last night on the bus," Grady explained. "I wasn't serious."

McGraw was though.

Though Grady had played high school basketball, she has not even fully participated in an Irish practice, let alone dress for a game.

"I got a phone call at about 2 a.m.," Grady said. "I couldn't get to sleep until 4 a.m.. I was very nervous."

After a crash course in the offense and defense, Grady put on the blue and gold. That was one thing. Playing was another.

"I'm going to start her the next game," joked McGraw.

Once on the court, the team's sole purpose was to get Grady into the scoring column.

That happened with 1:40 remaining on a lay-up.

"That was a great because my roommate, Mollie Peirick, passed me the ball," Grady ex-

plained. "I'm going to call my dad."
The team erupted in excitement as the ball went through the net.

"That was the most we celebrated all year," said McGraw. "To have something like this happen was good for us. We've gone through so much and to have this was great."

Grady will never forget it.

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- F Holly Porter
Sr. Boston College
- G Nykesha Sales
Jr. UConn
- G Beth Morgan
Sr. Notre Dame

Women

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stated.

Whatever the case was, after 12 minutes of play, the score was Gaither 20, Georgetown 18 (the Irish had 32 as a team at that point).

The outside part of Notre Dame's game was also present, as Morgan knocked home 11 in the first half.

The Irish wasted no time in sealing the deal in the second half.

Mollie Peirick's second three-pointer of the half at the 15:51

mark capped a 13-2 ND run that stretched the score to 61-27.

This was quite a contrast to the early meeting between the two squads.

Back on Jan. 25, the Hoyas stayed even with the Irish throughout the game, eventually falling 67-63.

"I don't have a coherent answer as to what was different," said Knapp. "There were just way too many things."

McGraw singled out experience.

"We knew what to expect," she said. "We've been here before."

And they will be there again.



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HoJo homered for the Mets Sunday. And all it right with baseball.

Yeah, well Jim Thome AND Julio homered for the Tribe. Albert Belle couldn't even homer in the Pepsi celebrity softball game last weekend! And what is with the Pirates changing their logo and colors? Is that supposed to make up for Jay Bell leaving??

Hey Breeze-thanks for stopping by. Have a nice break Kdawg. Peace

When HoJo is on the road, does he stay at the Runs Batted Inn?

Foxtrot Foxtrot Foxtrot!!!!

Too bad the Tribe played a team (the Tigers) with a bunch of Little Leaguers on the mound. If we're keeping score: Butch Huskey, Preston Wilson AND HoJo homered for the Mets, who are now 2-0.

Really, Melanie — I didn't look.

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Swimmers set new records

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's women's swimming team, after placing first in the Big East Championships a week ago, they hosted



Suddarth

the Shamrock Classic over this weekend at the Rolf's Aquatic Center. While there were no scores for the two-day meet, the results showed that the Irish continue to swim with the same intensity they have had since the beginning of the season.

The final meet of the year before the NCAA Championships, the Shamrock Classic runs by a different system than other meets the Irish have competed in this season. Swimmers from Notre Dame,

Michigan State, Illinois, Northwestern and Miami (Ohio), competed against themselves rather than each other. The Classic is designed so that swimmers can better their times and possibly reach the NCAA Championships later this month.

There was no shortage of fallen records at the pool. A total of seven pool records were broken by various teams over the course of the weekend, three by the Irish team.

Shannon Suddarth led the Irish both days by setting two of those records, in the 100-yard backstroke and the 100-yard breaststroke.

Alison Newell recorded the top time of the season in the women's 400-yard individual medley relay with a time of 4:27.48 during the trials.

"It was nice for the team to break some pool records before the end of the season," head coach Bailey Weathers said.

"The meet allowed swim-

mers who didn't get to compete last week to compete one more time, and improve their times for the season."

There were two NCAA consideration times posted, but both were recorded by other teams.

Emily Wang of Illinois set a pool record in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 51.41 seconds, while Jami Archambault from Michigan State swam a time of 55.99 seconds in the 100-yard backstroke.

For the Irish, it is a period of waiting to see which of their consolation times will earn them a spot in the NCAA Championship. There are 20 times posted by 10 individuals and two relay teams that could possibly qualify for the Championships later this month.

So far, Erin Brooks is the only Notre Dame swimmer to post an automatic qualifying time with her performance in the 200-yard butterfly.

TRACK

Medley qualifies for NCAA Championships

By WILLY BAUER
Sports Writer

They finally did it. Notre Dame's distance medley team qualified for the NCAA indoor track championships this weekend in Indianapolis, by posting the third highest time in the country in their last meet of the season.

The medley runners were close to qualifying early in the season and entered the Silverston Invitational with one last chance.

The medley team, Derek Seiling, Danny Payton, Jeff Hojnacki, and Jason Rexing, finished in second place at the Silverston meet, with a time of 9:39.39 minutes. They shattered the University record by four seconds.

"It was a great performance," said assistant coach Tim Connelly. "They ran the third-highest time in the nation. It was really the highlight of the

meet. Three other teams qualified at the meet along with us. If they can duplicate their performance they can do really well at the NCAA's."

Only the men's team competed at the Silverston Invitational in Ann Arbor, Michigan, but they produced fine results.

Junior Allen Rossum continued to fly around the track. He won the 55-meter dash with a time of 6.26 seconds in only his third race of the season.

"He won the 55-meters and ran a 6.26," said Connelly of Rossum. "To be honest, the competition wasn't that great. In his first couple of races he was just trying to get to the final. It was a good experience for him to run in three heats for the NCAA's. He's running well and used this weekend to work on some technical things like his start."

Marshaun West returned to the spotlight by winning the long-jump event with another considerable leap. His jump of 24 feet, three inches was nearly four inches longer than the second place finisher.

"He's been jumping real well," Connelly said of West. "As a freshman he's done real well. The standard (for the NCAA) in the long-jump is hard to attain. It's 25-11 to qualify outright, and 24-11 to qualify provisionally. He would have had to jump over 25 feet this season to qualify. He came close, though."

Errol Williams had a photo finish in the 55-meter hurdles. He finished in fourth place with a time of 7.37 seconds, but was only two-tenths of a second behind the second place finisher.

Pole vaulter David Gerrity posted a fifth place finish with a vault of 15-5. Mike Stany also competed but did not place.

The team now sets its sights on the NCAA indoor championships. The Irish will send a fair contingent of tracksters to the meet down south.

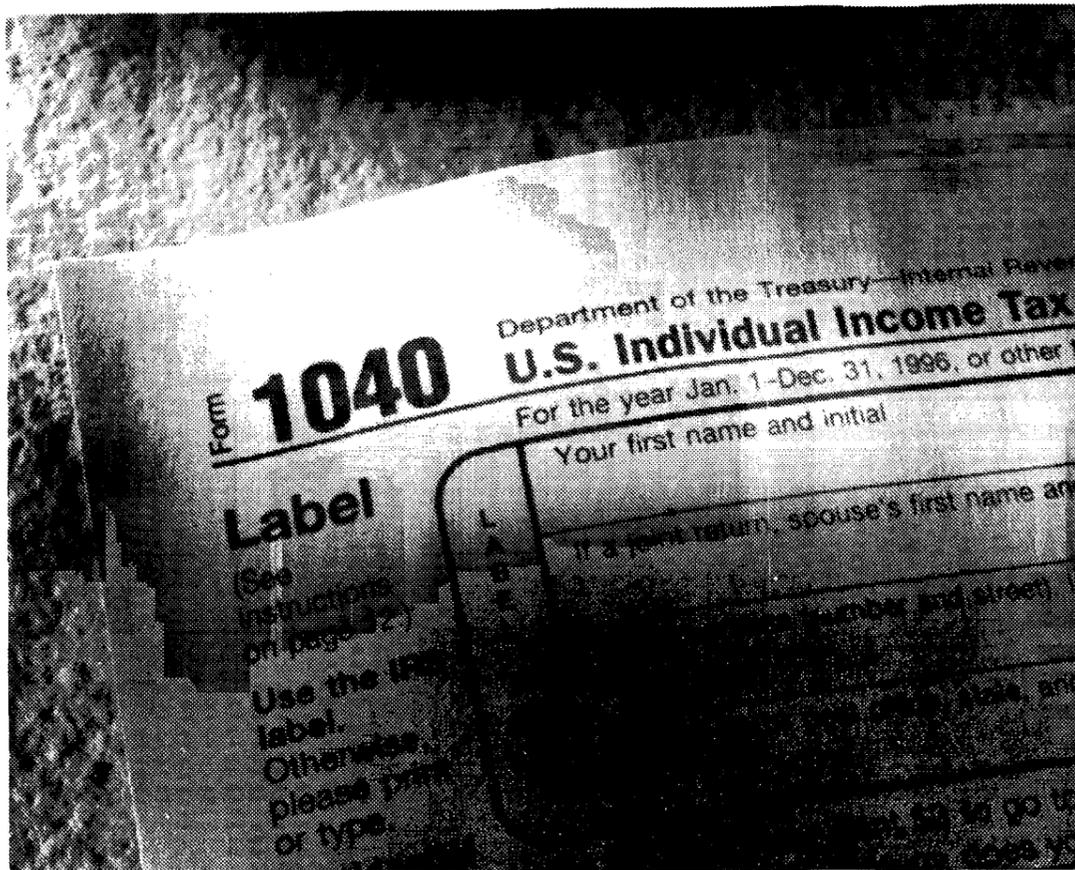
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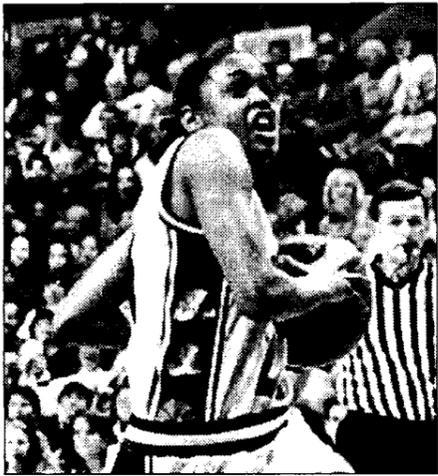
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Irish set to fight Huskies in ultimate battle

Stories by Tim Sherman, Photos by Mike Ruma

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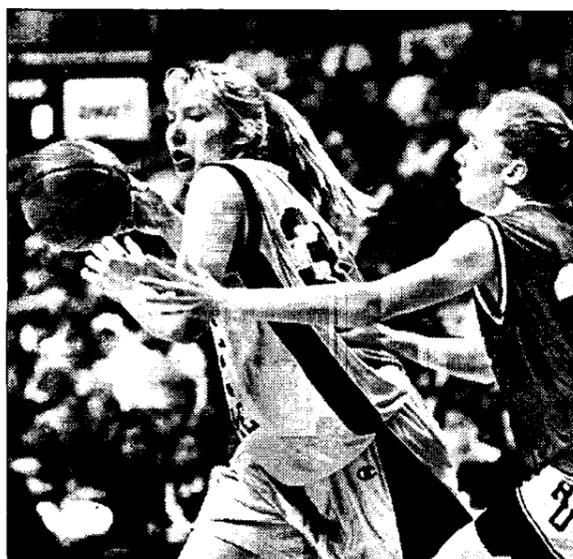
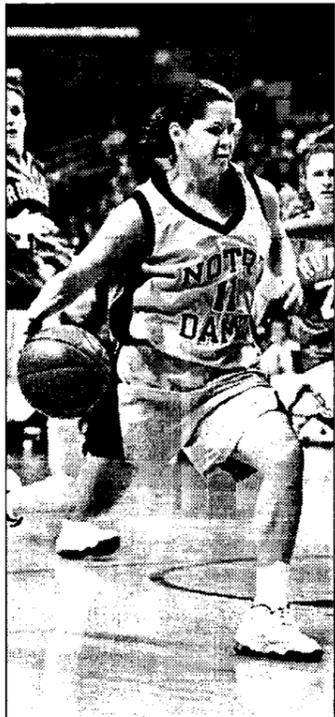


#11 Jeanine Augustin vs. #23 Rita Williams

This will be a classic point guard match-up, as both Augustin and Williams are quick, solid floor leaders who apply tremendous defensive pressure and like the transition game.

All season long, the 5-foot-4 Augustin has conducted the Irish offense, making sure the ball is in the hands of who it needs to be. She dishes out over 5 assists a game, doing so with a solid assist/turnover ratio of 1.7. Now she is beginning to add a little offense of her own. The senior has chipped in 27 points in the final two games, mostly off the fast-break. Not a great shooter, Augustin will have to knock down a few open jumpers if the Irish are to have a chance.

Williams, like Augustin, doesn't put a lot of points on the board, just seven a game, but her presence is always noticeable. An opportunistic defender, the 5-foot-7 Williams was third in the league in steals, with three a game.



OFF GUARD

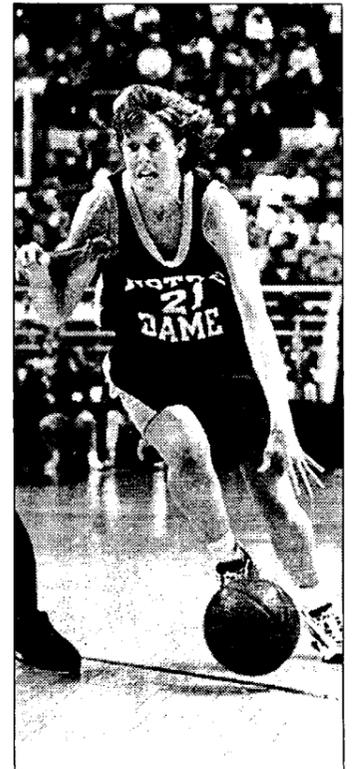
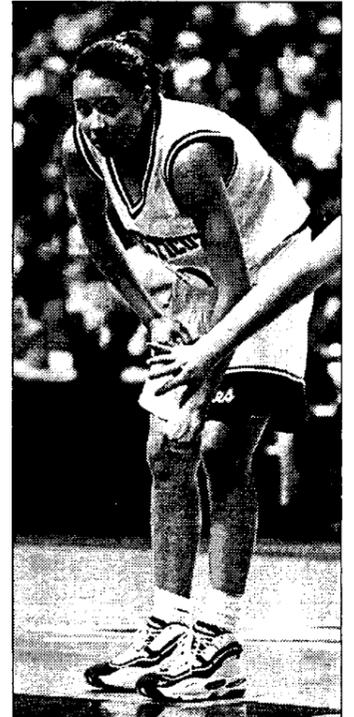
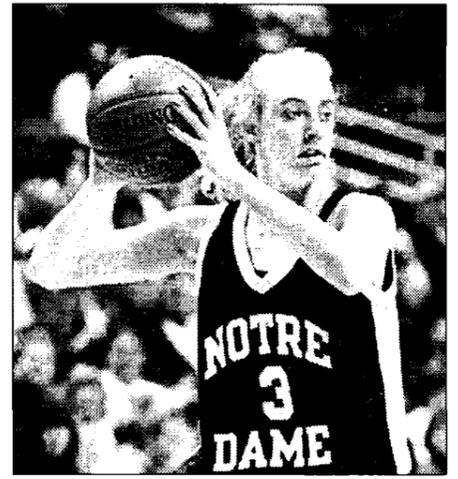
#3 Mollie Peirick vs. #22 Amy Duran

Plain and simple, Duran is a shooter — a long range shooter to be more exact. Peirick, on the other hand, is a good shooter who can do a lot more.

Standing six feet, Duran can play both the guard or wing forward position, but her strength is her shot. The sophomore made nearly 40 percent of her three-point attempts (23-58) this season and provides a nice outside compliment to Kara Wolters. She hurt the Irish from long range in the first meeting, as she was 3 of 4 from outside.

When the Irish go to a man-to-man defense, it will likely be the task of 5-foot-11 Peirick to hawk Duran.

In her own right, Peirick has the talent at the offensive end. In basketball lingo, the junior could be described as a "combination guard." Right behind Augustin in assists, Peirick can also make the outside shot. She was very much slowed by an ankle injury in the first meeting but is back at full speed.



CENTER



#12 Katryna Gaither vs. #52 Kara Wolters

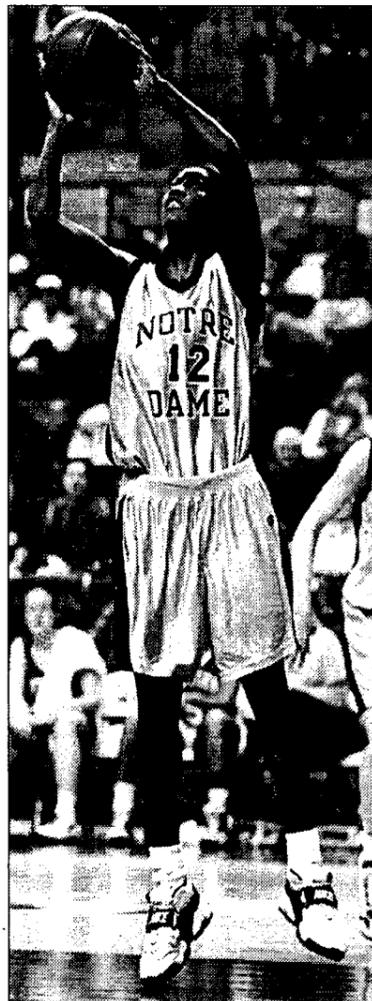
Two of the nation's top centers will be the featured matchup of the game. It will be a showdown of size, the 6-foot-7 Wolters, against 6-foot-3 Gaither.

Not an overly talented player, Wolters dominates the game based on her sheer size. The Big East Player of the Year is an immovable force down low, collecting rebounds before anyone has a chance. She also provides an enormous target, making entry passes all that much easier.

Gaither will attempt to use speed and savvy to combat the giant.

Gaither has a nice touch and should be able to beat Wolters up the floor to score some easy points. She'll have to, as points in the half-court set may be tough to come by.

Wolters also clogs the middle of the floor on defense, helping teammates and allowing them to overplay. She is an undeniable force.



POWER FORWARD

#33 Rosanne Bohman vs. #31 Carla Berube

This was one area that UConn really was able to exploit in the first game between the two teams, as Bohman was in foul trouble, especially early.

After picking up two quick fouls, Bohman had to be removed, and her absence really showed. The Irish were not able to matchup size-wise with the Huskies, and Katryna Gaither was left with little help against Kara Wolters. Big (6-foot-1) and strong, Bohman will be able to bang Wolters and help on the glass.

Berube, an experienced senior like Bohman, is a bit more of a finesse player. But she is a fine one. Often, she triggers the Husky offense with passes from the baseline.

In addition, she is athletic and dangerous in transition. Her versatility is invaluable to the Huskies.

Finally, she is an intense leader. Her teammates rally around her. Look for her to help double down on Gaither.

SMALL FORWARD

#21 Beth Morgan vs. #42 Nykesha Sales

Instant offense versus intense defense will be the storyline of this matchup. In reality, the high-scoring Morgan will probably be guarded as much by Amy Duran as anyone, but Sales' great ability to defend makes her someone to watch.

In the Feb. 9 meeting, the Huskies held Morgan in check. The senior could manage just eight points.

However, Morgan's stroke from the outside and great movement with the ball makes her tough to defend.

Morgan must do the same with Sales who has a great talent of doubling the ball and creating turnovers, as she did six times last night.

In addition, she is very adept at converting the fast break opportunities. She, too, can step back and hit the tray when presented with the opportunity.

With Notre Dame likely settling into a zone, she'll have the chance.

Morgan will see no such luxury.



■ MEN'S SWIMMING

Irish improve times at Shamrock Classic

By JOHN COPPOLELLA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's swimming and diving team's season came to a close last weekend with a strong performance in the Shamrock Classic. This individual meet, the first of its kind, was held at Notre Dame and involved swimmers from Eastern Michigan and Miami of Ohio. The meet was unscored, with no team rankings, but only individual rankings. The Irish, characteristic of their performance throughout this year, swam well and closed out a successful year with a successful meet.

"The meet went perfectly," observed head coach Tim

Welsh. "We swam well and the meet was very exciting. We were very pleased with how things turned out."

Indeed, the Irish had reason to be pleased. With nearly every swimmer performing well, the Irish were able to take the lead behind strong individual performances.

In the 50-yard freestyle, the Irish placed first, second and third behind Ron Royer, Rob Fetter and Vince Kuna, respectively. In the 100-yard freestyle, Kuna and John Steffan took first and second. In the 100-yard butterfly, Fetter and Steve Whowell also took the top two spots. Finally, in the 200-yard butterfly, Ryan Beville turned in the fastest time of the day.

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carrying some hardware out of tonight's banquet. With no real standout team in the conference this year, the Big East Coach of the Year award is up in the air.

Notre Dame was the biggest surprise of the season, but solid campaigns by sleepers West Virginia and Pittsburgh put Gale Catlett and Ralph Willard, respectively, at the head of the pack.

"It would be a big honor," MacLeod said. "Unexpected, but a big honor."

Given another ballot, Garrity would not be afraid to put a check next to another familiar name.

"I'd vote for coach (MacLeod)," Garrity said. "Just because of the way people picked us to finish and the way we did finish. A lot of it was due to the positive attitude he created on this team."

As for himself, Garrity recognizes that being named Big East MVP may be the pinnacle of his career and the culmination of a somewhat trying season.

Toward the start of the year, Garrity found himself succumbing to being under the microscope.

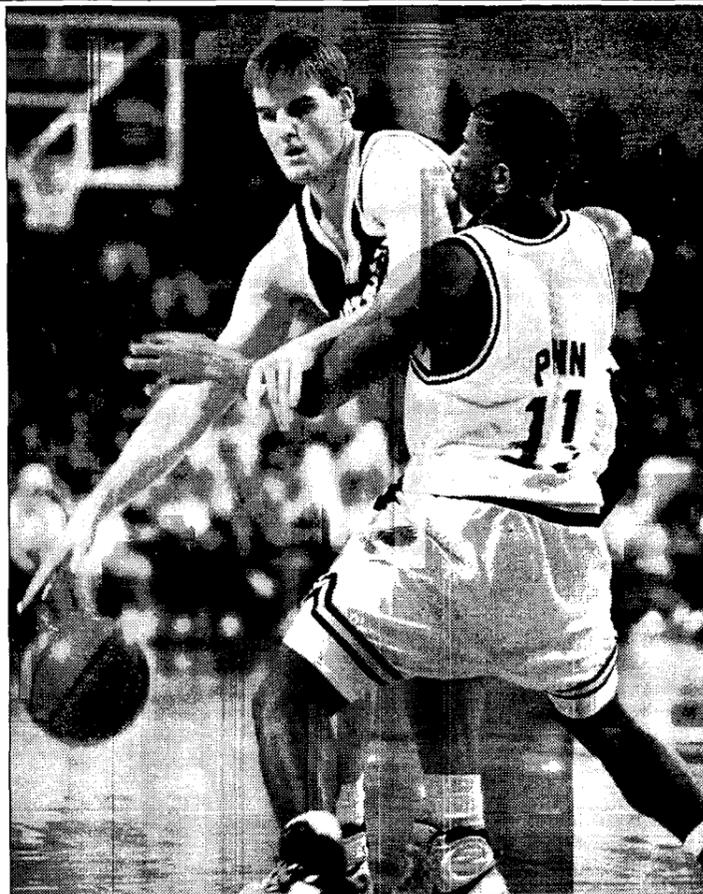
He's not quite sure how it happened, but Garrity learned to become more relaxed, clearing a path for his late season tear.

"I don't really know how it changed during the season," he said. "I think I just took a lot of pressure off myself which made me play more loose."

The award would be a reflection of that.

"To get that type of an award in a league like this is huge," Garrity commented.

Huge support follows Garrity



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Junior Pat Garrity turned in 27 points against Miami last Tuesday and 33 points against Boston College on Saturday.

wherever he goes. His refreshing personality and consistent play have made him popular in the conference.

"As far as I'm concerned, Garrity is the best player in the Big East," Syracuse guard Jason Cipolla said.

"I'll tell you what, that Pat Garrity is one of the top players in the league," Providence forward Jamel Thomas added.

"Garrity, as I've been saying all along, is maybe the best player in the league," Connecticut head coach Jim Calhoun said after Garrity tallied 25 points to beat the Huskies Feb. 8. "He's the

(player of the year) if Notre Dame wins a few more games."

Since then, the Irish have won three more games, dismissing the theory that Garrity would have to play for a more successful club to receive votes.

He's got at least one right now.

"If I could vote for anyone, I'd vote for Danya Abrams," Boston College head coach Jim O'Brien said on Sunday. "But since I can't, I'd vote for Pat Garrity."

So with returns in from a few precincts, the Big East is left to make their own projections until tonight's announcement.

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■ SOFTBALL

Poor defense plagues Irish

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

Between studying for midterms and writing papers this weekend, the Notre Dame softball team managed to squeeze in a four-game stint in Columbus, Ga. at the National Fastpitch Coaches Association Leadoff Classic. When the dust finally settled, the Irish had battled through a decisive nine-inning upset win, an eight-inning nail-biting loss and two more one-run defeats.

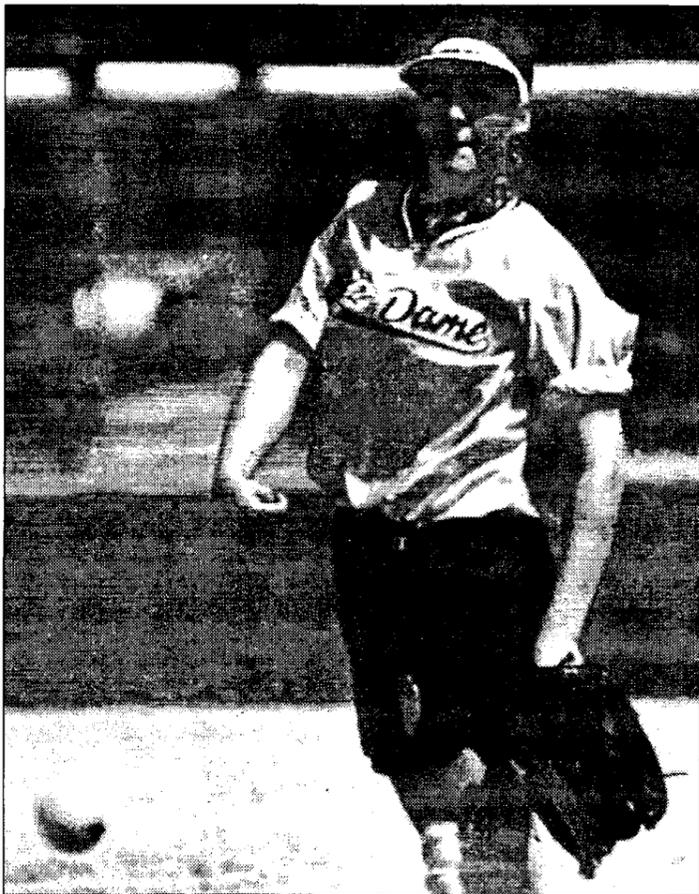
In a marathon game lasting until 1 a.m. Saturday morning, the Irish downed 13th-ranked Southwestern Louisiana. Senior outfielder Liz Perkins blasted a home run in the ninth inning to put the game out of reach for the Lady Cajuns.

"I didn't feel too much pressure because Meghan (Murray) had hit Kara (McMahon) in before me, but I knew we needed insurance (runs)," said Perkins.

A mere 10 hours later, the Irish took the field against a tough Texas A&M team, battling evenly until the bottom of the seventh, when Aggie shortstop Jamie Smith singled home the winning run. Senior Jody Battersby struck out four and allowed only four hits in a losing cause. Battersby received little run support, as the Irish managed five hits and stranded two runners in both the sixth and seventh innings.

Poor defense plagued the team against Illinois State, a six inning, 8-0 loss. The Irish committed four errors, while the Redbirds' Kerri Bartlow held the offense to just four hits. Designated hitter Katie Marten went 2-for-3 at the plate and starting pitcher Angela Bessolo allowed only one earned run, providing two of the few bright spots for Notre Dame.

Sunday came with no respite for the weary Irish, who dropped two close contests to Massachusetts, 1-0, and South



Courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information
Sophomore Angela Bessolo allowed only one earned run while on the mound this weekend at the Leadoff Classic.

Carolina, 3-2. In the eight-inning game against Massachusetts, the two teams combined for only four hits, with the winning run coming on an RBI single to left field in the top of the eighth. Hard-throwing Kelly Nichols suffered her first loss of the 1997 season, but managed to lower her team-leading ERA to 1.52.

Notre Dame faced a familiar foe — South Carolina — in the final game of the weekend trip. South Carolina defeated the Irish 3-0 in NCAA Regional action last season. Although Notre Dame managed two runs against the Lady Gamecocks this year, the outcome remained the same — a 3-2

defeat of the Irish. A wild pitch and an RBI single by Kara McMahon put the Irish on top in the second-inning, but two-earned runs in the bottom of the third knotted the score at 2-2. South Carolina used a double and a single off losing pitcher Battersby in the bottom of the seventh inning to win the game.

"It was a tough weekend, but we know what we're capable of as a team if we can step it up. It has to be an entire team effort," said Liz Perkins.

The team looks to rebound from its dismal 2-7 start at the Sooner Classic in Oklahoma City, Okla. March 7-9, before a spring break trip to California.

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nement against the Black Knights of Army. The veteran righthander allowed just two hits, while recording eight strikeouts and giving up no walks.

"This was one of Darin's best games," commented head coach Paul Mainieri. "He had his typical pinpoint control."

Notre Dame's bats were still cracking against Army and four hitters turned in two-hit performances for the Irish. Among the group were Wagner, who doubled and connected on the first of his two weekend home runs, freshman third baseman Brant Ust who doubled and tripled, senior Randall Brooks who singled twice and sophomore Allen Greene who tripled and stole a base.

After completing the 8-0 drubbing of the Black Knights, Notre Dame prepared for its most highly awaited contest against Arkansas.

Sophomore righthander Brad Lidge recorded the win in his first career start by tossing five steady innings of two-hit ball. The Razorbacks managed four runs in the five innings, but their pitchers were not able to hold Notre Dame at bay.

Four balls left the yard off of Irish bats on the day, in route to an 8-5 Irish victory. It began with an opposite field blast from Ust in the first inning and concluded with a shot from senior J.J. Brock in the fourth. The second baseman added two singles to go 3 for 3 against

Arkansas, with an RBI and two runs scored.

"I was seeing the ball well (on Friday)," stated Brock. "You have a lot more confidence when you're seeing the ball."

The level of play in the infield this weekend was another positive for Brock.

"We turned the double play, and we were solid throughout the game," Brock said. "We made the routine plays that you have to make in order to win games."

"It (the defense) was really a highlight for us after last week (four Irish errors in each game)," commented Mainieri. "(Todd) Frye did a great job filling in for (Paul) Turco at shortstop (on Thursday)," said Mainieri. "(Justin) Scholl also made a couple of highlight-reel plays."

Scholl and Amrhein were responsible for the other two home runs against the Razorbacks, and sophomore righthander Alex Shilliday recorded the save in relief of Lidge.

The win over Arkansas was particularly significant because the Irish will not face another ranked opponent for some time.

"Arkansas was a big game for us," agreed Mainieri. "Honestly, I thought we thoroughly handled them."

The Irish were denied the opportunity to avenge the title game loss that they suffered at the hands of Memphis in the Classic a year ago.

Rains invaded Millington on Saturday and washed away the remainder of the weekend's scheduled action.

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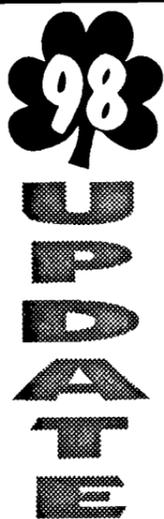
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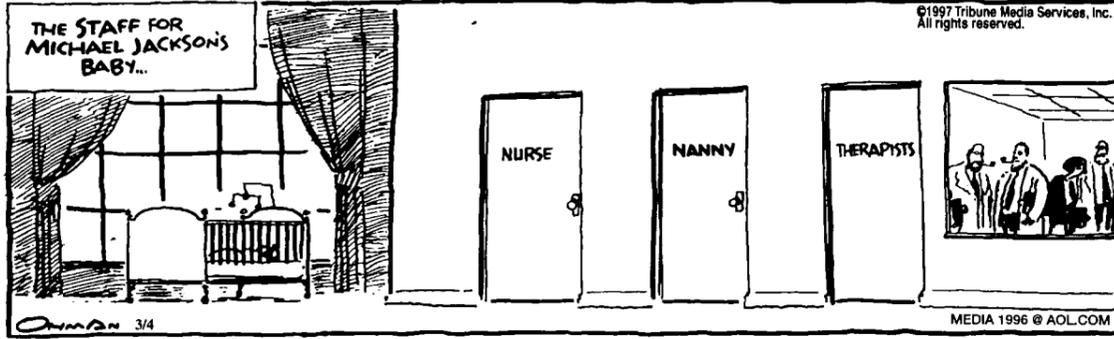
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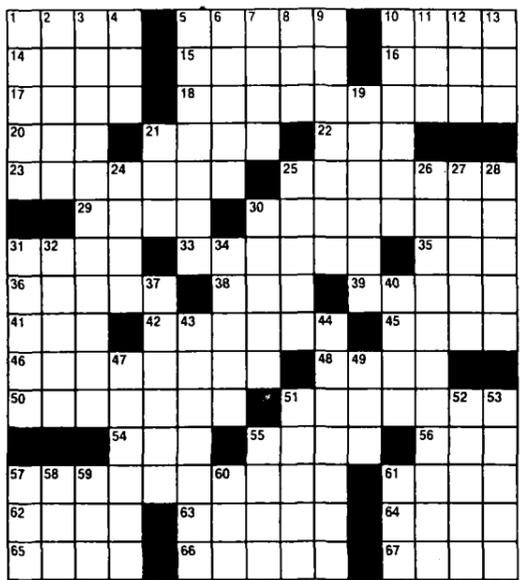
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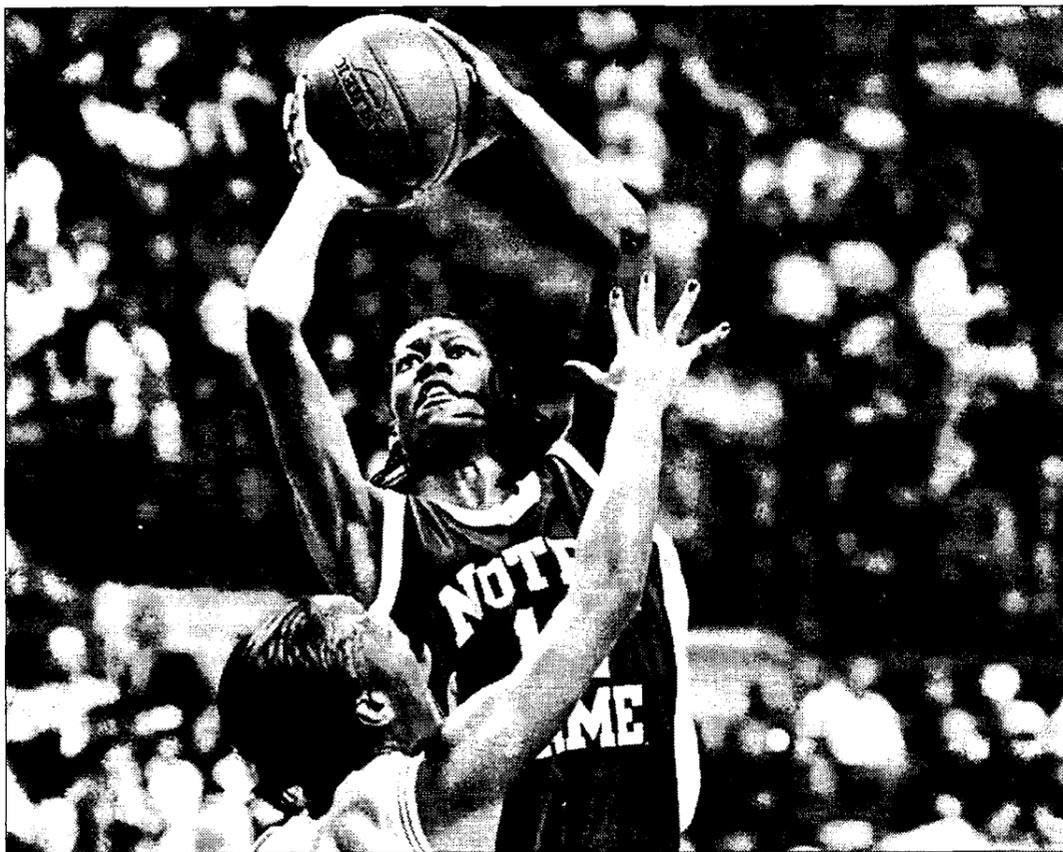
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



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Senior Katryna Gaither contributed 26 points in Notre Dame's victory over Georgetown, 83-43.

Irish topple Hoyas in semis

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

STORRS, Conn

Finally, they can look ahead. By virtue of a 83-43 manhandling of second-seeded Georgetown in last night's Big East tournament semifinal, third-seeded Notre Dame earned a long-awaited rematch with Connecticut. Now, the team can focus solely on the top-ranked Huskies, something they have been wanting to do for a long time now. "Our goal has been to get to this point," said Beth Morgan, who scored 15 on the night. "We wanted the opportunity to go head to head against Connecticut."

The Irish have been absolutely dominating in

reaching that goal. The 40-point victory shattered the Big East tournament record.

"We really, really played well," Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw said. "We shot the ball very well."

In fact, the Irish shot over 50 percent for the second straight game.

Senior center Katryna Gaither was the major force, as she was 12-16 from the floor en route to a 26 point game.

"Katryna was unstoppable in the paint," McGraw admitted.

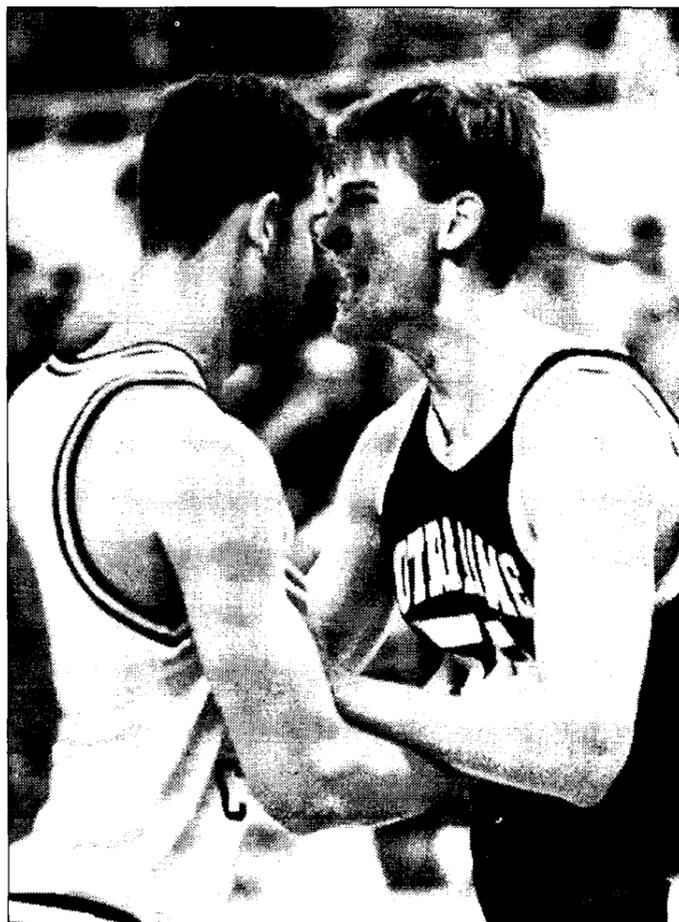
Georgetown coach Patrick Knapp saw it another way.

"Our defense was very poor on her," Knapp

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

And the winner is...



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Junior Pat Garrity may fend off stiff competition to win the Big East Player of the Year honors tonight.

Garrity, MacLeod await possible announcement of Big East honors

By JOE VILLINSKI
Associate Sports Editor

Given a ballot, even Notre Dame forward Pat Garrity, one of the most unselfish players in the nation, would put a check next to his name.

A check mark right next to the category of Big East Player of the Year.

Not that Providence's Austin Croshere, Georgetown's Victor Page, or preseason favorite Danya Abrams of Boston College are less deserving candidates. Garrity merely recognizes the breakout year he has enjoyed.

"I know it's a huge honor," Garrity said. "To be in the group with some of the guys who have received the award previously is really flattering. But I think I've had a pretty decent year and I'd probably vote for myself."

Since Big East coaches determine the winner, Garrity's exercise of his natural right is academic. Garrity will learn the election results tonight in New York before his Irish open the Big East Tournament against Syracuse Wednesday morning at 11 a.m.

The game, of course, is the real reason Garrity is anticipating a trip to New York.

"It would be nice to win the award, but that's not what I am really looking forward to,"

he said. "I'm concentrating on Syracuse. Wednesday's my big day."

Still, receiving this honor or any for that matter, enhances Notre Dame's chances in the recruiting wars. Garrity, along with unanimous first-team conference selections Croshere and Page, are the obvious front-runners for the award.

Among those three players, Garrity ended the season on the highest note. Garrity finished with a flourish, scoring 27 points against Miami last Tuesday and posting 33 points in the Irish loss to Boston College on Sunday.

Those numbers left him the second leading scorer in the Big East, sixth in field goal percentage and seventh in rebounding. Even though head coach John MacLeod is not allowed to vote for his own players, he realizes the weight of this possible accomplishment.

"It would be a shot in the arm for Pat Garrity," MacLeod added. "It would be a shot in the arm for the program. It would give us additional exposure. Whether it happens or not, we don't know. We do know one thing. If it does happen, it brings about nothing but good things for us."

Less likely, but also a possibility, is MacLeod, himself.

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BASEBALL

Bats ignite weekend's victories

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Sports Writer

Irish bats came alive this weekend and sparked an outburst that brought Notre Dame's record back to .500 with wins over three squads, including No. 25 Arkansas.

The team opened its trip on Thursday with games against Christian Brothers University and Army at the USA Baseball Field. The Christian Brothers game was separate from the Service Academies Classic in which the Irish were scheduled to participate for the remainder of the weekend before rain forced cancellations on Saturday and Sunday.



Mohs

Notre Dame sent senior left-hander Greg Henebry to the mound against CBU, and the southpaw delivered by pitching five solid innings, giving up just one run on two hits.

In that time, the Irish jumped out to a 6-1 lead as Jeff Wagner and Mike Amrhein led the charge.

Wagner singled in his first at-bat and doubled twice in his next four plate appearances. Amrhein went 3 for 4 in the contest, including his first home run of 1997, knocking in three runs and scoring three of his own.

Notre Dame finished strong and defeated CBU by a score of 12-1. The squad tallied 17 hits on the afternoon, seven of which went for extra bases. Perhaps the highlight of the day though, was the successful return of senior Larry Mohs to the Irish lineup who had been out of action for 22 months fol-

lowing an elbow injury.

"It felt great," said Mohs, who pitched two scoreless innings, giving up just one hit. "It was a milestone for me. Now, I'm just concentrating on helping the team in relief."

Last March, Mohs underwent "Tommy John surgery," a reconstructive procedure named after the ex-major leaguer in which a tendon is transplanted from the wrist to the elbow.

"I started throwing again in July," explained Mohs, "and I got back on the mound (for the first time) right before Christmas. I've still got a long way to go, but I feel strong and really confident now."

Later Thursday evening, the Irish pitching staff continued to impress as senior Darin Schmalz turned in a complete seven-inning game, shutout performance to open the tour-

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