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Honor banquet calls ND students to live generously



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The Beta Gamma Sigma business honor society inducted more than 70 students Tuesday. Roxanne Spillett, president of the Boys and Girls Club of America, spoke to the group during an evening banquet and emphasized the students' roles as future business and community leaders.

By KYLE ANDREWS
News Writer

Future business leaders have a responsibility to contribute to the building of a better America. Roxanne Spillett, president of the Boys and Girls Club of America, said at the induction banquet of the Beta Gamma Sigma business honor society.

Spillett praised more than 70 inductees for their accomplishments and their commitments to making a difference, not only in the business community but for the future of the world as well.

"This country needs you, not just for business, but for the business of America," said Spillett. "As the future business leaders of America, I encourage you to think now what kind of contributions and legacy you will leave, not only to the business world but to the community."

In 100 years, the size of bank accounts and houses will not matter. It is the influence over the lives of children that will become the greatest contributions, said Spillett.

"We want to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged situations, to reach their full potential as productive and caring citizens," said Spillett, of the mission of the Boys and Girls Club of America.

Even with all the success the Club is experiencing, Spillett emphasized that "today is today and tomorrow is tomorrow."

It is up to the future American business leaders to continue the fight to keep kids off the streets and give them a safe place to play and work, she emphasized.

The present Board of Governors for the Boys and Girls Club includes Father Edward Malloy, Colin Powell and the CEOs of Coca-Cola, All-State and many other major corporations. Spillett said they dedicate a large amount of time and energy to help the Boys and Girls Club.

There are presently more than 2,300 Boys and Girls Clubs in America, with 261 of them opening in 1998. The Club plans to continue their expansion in the future.

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Campuses work towards diversity

By RUTH SNELL
News Writer

Amid constant attention to plans for diversifying the schools' predominantly white campuses, Saint Mary's and Notre Dame continue to plan for the recruitment and retention of multicultural students.

Both schools have sets of procedures for attracting and retaining under-represented students.

RECRUITING PLANS

Saint Mary's plan for recruiting minority students is "comprehensive [and] includes all segments of the population," according to Mary Pat Nolan, director of admissions at Saint Mary's.

Initially, Saint Mary's uses college search information from standardized college entrance exams to identify minority students and start direct mail campaigns. They also use high school visits, college fairs and referrals to identify minority students.

"We select students who fit the description of [what we're] looking for, academic profile, test results and ethnicity or race," Nolan said. "If they respond, then we begin to seriously recruit and court them. Our selling points are academic quality and [that we are] a Catholic women's college and all that it entails."

Saint Mary's also works with the National Hispanic Institute (NHI) and the National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students (NSSFNS), which has expanded to include all minorities, to identify prospective minority students. Both of these organizations offer national college fairs to recruit minority students.

Saint Mary's uses the College Board service to identify minorities at two-year colleges who may be interested in continuing their education at Saint Mary's.

"We try to have a balanced approach on recruiting all minority students,"

Nolan said.

The Office of Multicultural Affairs, which does not actively recruit at Saint Mary's, works with the Admissions Office on two programs, "My First Day on Campus" and "Encuentro," to introduce high school minority students to Saint Mary's.

"They are a very important part of our outreach to multicultural students," Nolan said. If we "start early, [there's] more time for exploration."

"Encuentro," Spanish for "to find," was started to combat a high drop-out rate of Hispanic women from high school, but has now switched focus. A two-week summer program, "Encuentro" gives Latina high school

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IRIS OUTLAW
DIRECTOR OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

students a college experience where they sample classes and focus on academics, as well as their cultural and spiritual lives.

It is "emerging as a recruitment tool, but still tries to allow students to dream that a college education is attainable," explained Maria Oropeza, director of Saint Mary's multicultural affairs. "This is not necessarily the case with many Latinas because parents don't set the precedent for a college education."

"My First Day on Campus" brings high school freshmen and sophomores to campus and sets up a classroom experience, where they are paired with Saint

Mary's students.

The program "emphasizes a worthwhile college experience," Oropeza said.

Oropeza noted that two-thirds of multicultural students are their families' first generation in college, while two-thirds of white students come from families with college educations.

Notre Dame's minority recruitment plan attempts to reach out to high school students.

"Certain programs like the Fall Open House and Spring Visitation Weekend [target minority students]," said James Riley, admissions counselor and coordinator of Asian-American recruiting at Notre Dame.

An early step, Fall Open House in October, invites minorities selected through an SAT search to campus to stay with current students.

Spring Visitation Weekend is for all minority students accepted to Notre Dame.

"It's to see if they're very serious about coming to Notre Dame, and we pay for all expenses," Riley said.

The admissions office emphasizes certain selling points during campus visits.

"When they are coming to visit, [we try to show that there are] more minority students than they think," Riley said. "We also try to highlight graduated minorities from Notre Dame who are actual leaders, hope for them after graduating from Notre Dame."

RETENTION RATES

After the schools have successful admitted minority students, they then focus on keeping them enrolled.

At Saint Mary's, the minority student population comprises from 6 to 6.7 percent of the total student body. The matriculation rate for minority students is 7 percent, and graduating student body comprised of minorities is 7 percent. On average, 76 percent of Saint

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Staples: Even kids worry about diets

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
News Writer

Valerie Staples wants to rewrite the rules.

An eating disorder specialist from Memorial Hospital, Staples believes that the conventional battle against eating disorders is not convincing women to be happy with their body image but is instead finding ways to change the appearance standards society sets for women.

"We need to pay attention to what the messages have been since we were young. We need to examine how those rules have changed and whether they still apply now," Staples said Tuesday in a lecture titled "Mirror, Mirror."

Staples attributed one of the causes of eating disorders in adolescence to messages women receive from those around them earlier in life. These problematic messages emphasize appearance rather than personality.

"When my daughter was young, people would say what beautiful blond hair she had," Staples said, "but at home, we tried to focus on accomplishments instead, to emphasize that what she looked like was not the most important."

Today, messages of aesthetic beauty typically begin to take their toll prior to adolescence, earlier than they did in the past, Staples said. Children are encountering problems with weight control earlier in their lives, which is evidenced by statistics that show that 40 percent of nine-year-olds have

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INSIDE COLUMN

Listen to the Tale, Respect the Teller

My Martin Luther King day was ruined. Don't get me wrong. The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community did a good job this year celebrating the day and commemorating the man. But this is to be expected. It is such an especially important holiday for America to take pause and remember the efforts of Dr. King. It was encouraging to see Notre Dame make a special attempt to do just that.

But underneath the public display of reverence and appreciation one could still hear some common rumbles about Dr. King: "He had a different woman in every town he went." "He did this." "He did that." It is these strikes against him that frustrate me so every year, and manage to ruin the day's celebration for me. Of course these revisions of Dr. King's character have not always been simply private. There was an entire article in Time or Newsweek, I can't remember which, a couple of years ago that tried to bring us the "real" Dr. King through FBI investigations and witnesses to his secret, deviant lifestyle.

I will not go into specifics here. Nor will I delve into the legitimacy of these claims. The point is that for some reason people feel the need to tear down men and women like Martin Luther King who have been raised to hero's status. This is a more recent trend, and it is applied to anyone and everyone who has been placed on a pedestal like King has. People think we are discovering our true history in this way, when in actuality we are clouding, if not destroying, our precious past.

What good does it do to teach our children that George Washington was a slave owner? This was true of course — and not surprising seeing as Washington was a Virginian aristocrat — but does that destroy his well-earned title as Father of Our Nation? Does that erase the effort he made through his own strength, courage and integrity to hold the shaky union between the States in tact?

What good does it do to teach our children that Thomas Jefferson was not only a slave owner, but had sexual relations with his slaves as well? Does this dilute a life spent in pursuit of liberty and independence, a life which led to our independence as a nation and laid a strong foundation for the fledgling republic? Of course not.

Abraham Lincoln freed the slaves. Right? Not according to "truth-seeking" revisionist historians out there. It was simply sound military strategy. Lincoln was in fact a racist and never would have freed anybody if it wouldn't have benefited the war effort. Military strategy or not, racist or not, Lincoln made one of the most gutsy moves in our history by signing the Emancipation Proclamation. It changed this nation forever, and it may have cost him his life in the end.

It does not hurt to recognize that none of these men were perfect, but it should not be used to destroy what they meant to our nation. They are remembered for a cause. What good does it do us to accentuate their imperfections? In fact, I propose we do the opposite. Every year we should remember these heroes and raise them to even greater heights — let their greatness swell every time we utter their names.

It boils down to this: it is not just the hero we celebrate but the very cause that they embody. So let us view historical figures not only with empathy for the time in which they lived and for being part of an imperfect human race, but also with a purposeful detachment allowing us to appreciate their lives' work and the causes for which they fought.

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Outside the Dome

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Officials consider plan to make room for more grad students

BERKELEY, Calif.

The number of graduate students in the UC system is dwindling to such a low point that UC officials are considering a plan to make room for more graduate students.

As a research institution, the UC system often prides itself on molding qualified graduate students for the California work force, said UC president Richard Atkinson. But after a decade of fervently trying to accommodate record numbers of undergraduate students, UC officials are concerned that there are not enough seats for graduate students in the UC system.

While undergraduate enrollment in the UC system has grown 100 percent in the past 30 years, the number of graduate spaces in the university has remained relatively stagnant, and is now lower than it was ten years ago, according to recent studies.



In addition, the state of California is currently one of only five states to show a decline in graduate enrollment in the past decade, ranking alongside Arkansas, Connecticut, Oklahoma and Kansas.

"California has shrunk in graduate education while competitors have grown steadily," said UC Vice Provost Judson King. "Graduate enrollment is critical to many industries. We have a significant need to generate capacity for students."

A contributor to these stagnant numbers could be the state budget, which is often comprised of misdirected priorities, according to state Superintendent Delaine Eastin, a member of the Board of Regents.

"Universities receive nine percent of the state budget," Eastin said. "Prisons receive more than nine percent."

Faced with a string of record-breaking numbers of undergraduate applicants into the UC system over the last ten years, university and state officials have focused their efforts to increasing undergraduate enrollment capacity.

Further, in preparation for the tremendous influx of students expected to seek UC admission through the new millennium — dubbed "Tidal Wave II" — UC and state politicians are constructing new buildings and facilities, including UC Merced.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Vote raises campus minimum wage

MADISON, Wis.

The campus minimum wage will increase by 50 cents, following a UW-Madison committee's vote Monday to raise all student wages by 9.52 percent. The Student Employment Wage Plan Committee report will be forwarded to Vice Chancellor John Torphy, who is expected to approve the committee's recommendations. Once formally approved, the campus minimum wage would increase to \$5.75, with workers at an intermediate level earning \$6.25. The salary for advanced employees will rise to \$6.80. Effective in August, the wage increase will be applicable to students employed in student unions, recreational sports facilities, health services and campus libraries, among other activities. Monday's vote followed an ongoing debate over campus wages. Student activists have argued wages have not kept up with inflation, while administrators say tight budgets cause salary constraints.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Reporter criticizes museum ethics

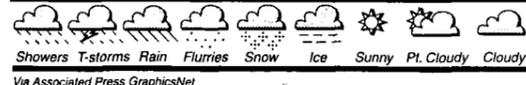
BOSTON, Mass.

A reporter for The Boston Globe Monday called on museums to set an ethical example and criticized the Museum of Fine Arts for failing to tell the public a painting displayed last fall may have been stolen during the Holocaust. Walter Robinson, the Boston Globe's Spotlight Team editor, introduced an audience of 30 people to what he called the largely unregulated business of art-collection and museum acquisitions. Robinson, who has written a series of articles over the past two years detailing allegations that several paintings in major museums may have been stolen by the Nazis during World War II, discussed several occasions in which museums were not completely honest with the public about the background of specific works of art. "Whenever you have a commodity that is traded internationally with virtually no regulation, there's some potential for underhanded dealings," Robinson said.

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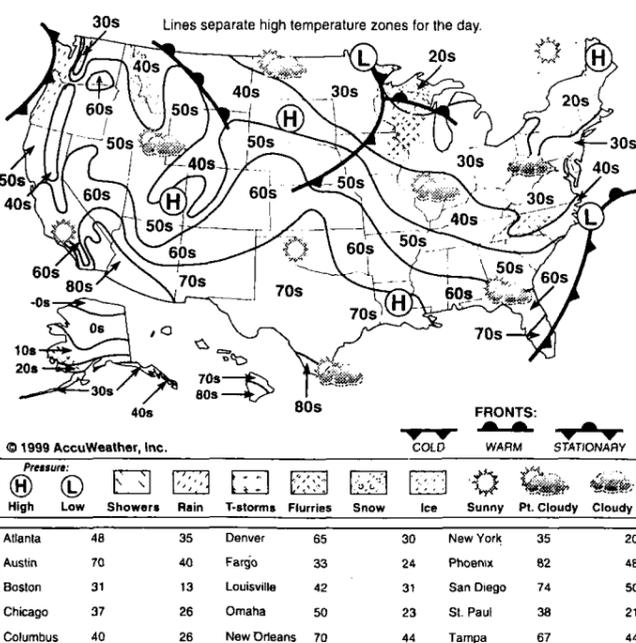
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Class government hopefuls outline platforms

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
News Writer

Candidates vying for positions on the 1999-2000 Saint Mary's class governments met Tuesday night at the annual "Candidates Night" to defend their platforms and exchange ideas for the upcoming year.

CLASS OF 2000

Off-campus communication may be one of the biggest problems that the Class of 2000 will face next year with 40 percent of the senior class moving off-campus.

The ticket of Beth Beatty,

Kathy Heron, Bridget Egan and Kathy Steinlage emphasizes increased communication for off-campus students, suggesting that an off-campus representative be elected to the senior class board.

Additionally, an e-mail address and a Web page, along with a monthly newsletter, will increase the flow of communication.

The ticket of Ann Pangilinan, Penelope Kistka, Claire Burke and Kat Rademacher also plan to include off-campus liaisons at the various apartment complexes.

The ticket of Maureen

Donovan, Allison Wade, Emily Junius and Agnes Bill emphasized off-campus communication and increased alumnae relations.

"It's something that can be done in three parts," Junius said. "We've talked to Barbara Henry in alumnae relations, and there are several alumnae who want to come back to speak with us about career opportunities and other post-graduation issues. Most will do it on their own dollar, too, which will help."

All three tickets said that having a mix of on-campus and off-campus students running for

office would allow for better representation.

"Half of our board is on campus, and the other half is off," said Beatty. "We don't consider having off-campus students a disadvantage. It allows us to represent the class as a whole and increase community."

Other topics discussed involved commencement, improved alumni-student relations and a senior tailgate.

A tailgate to increase attendance at athletic events was an idea that the Donovan and Beatty platforms pushed. Athletic support was also key in the Pangilinan platform.

"We want to find a way to show more spirit," Burke said. The platform includes a proposal to decorate Angela Athletic Facility, showing signatures of support for Belle athletes around the facility.

All three tickets stressed the importance of preserving the memories of senior year. The Donovan and Pangilinan tickets involved the compilation of a memory book and the Donovan and Beatty tickets suggested a countdown to graduation events.

Pangilinan said she would also like to recognize graduation throughout the year by developing an event to complement graduation.

CLASS OF 2001

Multicultural awareness, real-world preparation and class unity were topics that dominated discussion among the three tickets vying for junior class positions.

The Autumn Palacz, Julia Malczynski, Gina Case and Alyson Leatherman ticket emphasized the need for a "Real World" coordinator on the class board to assist students with internship and career advice.

"As juniors, we are facing entering the real world," said Palacz. "This is something that students in all departments can benefit from."

Class unity and increased participation from the class body were topics on Jillian Koepke, Molly Banahan, Melissa Bitner and Olivia Pisano's ticket.

One of the highlights of this initiative were more social events, including an all-male pageant.

"We were not involved in gov-

ernment our freshman year," said Banahan. "But being on the outside allows us to know what we need to do to get people involved. We know the type of activities that we would have gotten involved in ourselves, so we know what to do to get people involved."

The Molly Kahn, Allison Webb, Alice Fox and Annie Rolfe ticket emphasizes the need for increased multicultural involvement. Their platform includes a push for a multicultural class event once a month.

"We can do something like have a study break and make sugar skulls for the day of the dead in November," Kahn said. "We've met with the Office of Multicultural Affairs and are ready to start planning ideas this summer."

All groups also expressed a desire for further technology for student government. Both the Kahn and Palacz tickets said they plan to implement a class e-mail address and Web page to further communication.

CLASS OF 2002

Michelle Nagle, Katie O'Connell, Mandy Schomas and Katy Robinson may feel that experience is what makes their the ticket voters should choose on Thursday, but their competitors Shannon Rodgers, Stefanie Roth, Cara Dunbar and Liz Clinger argue that fresh faces and new ideas are what the sophomore class will need for innovation in the upcoming year.

Rodgers, Roth, Dunbar and Clinger contend their lack of experience in the Board of Governance is a distinct advantage.

"The fact that we don't have experience probably is scary to a lot of people out there," Rodgers said. "But we are dedicated and ready to fight for what the class wants."

Freshman class president Nagle disagreed, saying that the defending board's experience was a factor allowing for smooth government in the coming year.

"We have experience, we know how the class works. We had a hard knocking with reality this year, but we know how to make the class work. We have a clear line of what we want to accomplish," said Nagle.

That was evident, Robinson added, by the goals on their platform. The Nagle platform features five goals: a sophomore support group, class meetings, a board mentoring program for freshmen, monthly service projects with SURV and plans for Sophomore Parents Weekend.

The Rogers platform includes several goals, some of which include volunteer initiatives such as Christmas baskets for the needy, an off-campus formal, multi-cultural appreciation week, increased interaction with Notre Dame, a sophomore tailgate, a memory book, spirit days for Belles and initiation of a strong push to improve dining hall services.

"When we started out, we had so many ideas," Robinson said. "But we know that our five goals are things we are going to obtain."

The dedication and enthusiasm on the Rogers ticket was unparalleled, Rogers said.

"The officers this year have been great role models," she said. "Not being involved in student government first semester put us in a position to watch. Now we're ready to make a difference."

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Banquet

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There is still much more to be done, said Spillett.

Spillett concluded by showing a video of Colin Powell at the dedication of the 2,000th Boys and Girls Club.

Observing the new facility, Powell noted that the same amount of material would be needed to make a jail. We need to "stop building jails and start building children," he said. "We don't have anything more important to do than put these children on the road to

success."

Spillett has worked with the Club since 1978, serving as vice president of the North East division before her work as president.

Beta Sigma is the national honor society for students in business created in 1913 to reward academic accomplishment in business and to promote integrity and honesty in the business world.

The Indiana chapter was started at Notre Dame in 1963. Ramachandran Ramanan, associate professor of accountancy at Notre Dame, serves as the group's faculty advisor.

Kids

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admitted to dieting.

"When I first got into this profession, we were talking about doing [eating disorder] prevention in high school," Staples said. "Now we are

talking about beginning it in elementary school."

Messages of body image are not something that can easily be changed, Staples said, particularly later in life.

"I try and emphasize that it is not what you see in the mirror, but what you bring to the image in the mirror that counts," she said.

Thanks for reading The Observer.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Authorities arrest Most Wanted list's No. 1

MILWAUKEE

The No. 1 fugitive on the U.S. Marshals Service "15 Most Wanted" list was arrested in Guatemala while working as a tour guide, officials said. Peter Paul Zink III, who fled charges that he operated a large cocaine ring in Wisconsin, was arrested Monday in the Tikal region while working under the name Marcos Potts, the marshals service said in a statement. Zink, 43, had been sought since he failed to appear for trial in 1988 on federal charges of conspiracy to distribute cocaine. He was also wanted on murder-solicitation and other charges in Kenosha County for allegedly hiring a gunman to kill a police informant in 1987. Zink had family connections in Guatemala and was believed to have fled there soon after he disappeared, chief deputy U.S. Marshal Joe Trindal said.

Referee kills soccer player

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa

A South African referee shot and killed a player during a soccer match after the player, angry over a disputed goal, lunged at him with a knife, police said Tuesday. Isaac Mkhwetha, the 20-year-old captain of the local Wallabies soccer team, was fatally wounded on the field in front of 600 spectators. Referee Lebogang Petrus Mokgethi, 34, appeared in court Tuesday and pleaded not guilty to the killing, said police captain Louis Jacobs. He was released on bail pending an April 1 court appearance. The shooting occurred Saturday in a stadium in Hartbeesfontein, a black township 125 miles southwest of Johannesburg, after the Try Agains, another local team, scored against the Wallabies. Some Wallabies fans ran onto the field to protest the goal, which had cut the Wallabies' lead to 2-1, Jacobs said.

Hundreds attend Siskel's funeral

HIGHLAND PARK, Ill.

Film critic Gene Siskel was remembered as a public man who loved his private life. More than 1,200 people attended his funeral Monday, including Oprah Winfrey, Christie Hefner and Siskel's longtime television partner, Roger Ebert. Mayor Richard Daley canceled scheduled campaign stops to attend the service at a Jewish synagogue on the wooded shore of Lake Michigan. "He breathed and slept Chicago and his love of our sports, love of politics," Daley said. "And of course, always his review of films was a highlight for myself and, I think, not only for Chicagoans, but for people who truly loved the arts." Siskel died Saturday at 53 from complications following surgery to remove a growth from his brain in May.

TEXAS



Clara Taylor and Mary Verrett, sisters of James Byrd Jr., listen as the guilty verdict is read at the Jasper County Courthouse in Jasper, Texas, on Tuesday. Jurors needed only 2-1/2 hours to find John William King guilty of capital murder in the dragging death of Byrd.

Jury convicts man in dragging death

ASSOCIATED PRESS

JASPER

A white supremacist was convicted of murder Tuesday and could get the death penalty for chaining a black man to a pickup truck and dragging him until his body was torn to pieces in a crime that shocked the nation with its savagery.

The jury of 11 whites and one black took less than 2 1/2 hours to reach a verdict against John William King in the slaying last June of James Byrd Jr. Courtroom spectators applauded and the victim's relatives broke into tears.

The jury then began hearing evidence on whether the 24-year-old laborer should get the death penalty or life in prison for one of the grisliest racial crimes in the United States since the civil rights era.

"I am relieved," said Stella Brumley, Byrd's sister. "That's all we wanted, was justice."

His son, Ross Byrd, said: "All I know is that there's one down and two to go."

King was the first of three white men to go on trial in the slaying, which prosecutors said he carried out because he wanted "something dramatic" to gain credibility for a racist group he was organizing.

King leaned forward when the verdict was read, shielding himself from cameras, then sat back in his chair with his fingers on his chin.

One of his lawyers said King was not surprised by the verdict and considered himself the victim of a conspiracy.

Byrd's head and arm were found torn off after he was pulled nearly three miles while tied by his ankles with a 24 1/2-foot logging chain.

The murder thrust Jasper into a national spotlight that many in the half-black timber town of 8,000 contended was unfair. Members of the Ku Klux Klan and New Black Panthers

descended on the Jasper, about 100 miles northeast of Houston, to demonstrate.

"Three robed riders coming straight out of hell — that's exactly what there was that night," prosecutor Pat Hardy said in closing arguments Tuesday.

"After they dragged that poor man and tore his body to pieces, they dropped it right in front a church and a cemetery, to show their defiance to God, to show their defiance of Christianity and everything most people in this county stand for."

The evidence against King included a lighter engraved with a Klan symbol and King's prison name, "Possum," that was found along with cigarette butts at the scene; clothes stained with Byrd's blood; letters in which King wrote about organizing a racist gang; and King's tattoos of a black man hanging from a tree, cartoon characters in Klan garb, Nazi-type SS lightning bolts and Aryan power proclamations.

PUERTO RICO

Youths riot, take guards hostage

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN JUAN

Delinquent youths in a Puerto Rican prison rioted and took seven guards hostage before dawn Tuesday, officials said.

Ten youths and seven other guards were hurt in scuffles when inmates armed with homemade daggers seized their hostages, spokesman Alfredo Cabrera of the Bayamon Juvenile Detention Center said. Another three inmates were believed to have been injured during an earlier fight between rival

gangs, but it was not known how badly.

The male detainees, all aged 14 to 20 years, released three of their hostages around noon, in return for lunch.

"The attitude is now cooperative and we're now negotiating in good faith," police negotiator Jose Caldero said. "We have plenty of time and we have to do this calmly."

Corrections Secretary Zoe Laboy said that at 2:45 a.m. nearly 50 detainees took control of two of the four buildings at the center, just outside San Juan, the capital of

this U.S. Caribbean commonwealth. Corrections officials said the riot began when two rival gangs clashed.

Inmates burned mattresses, destroyed security cameras and damaged other property before they began talking to officials, police said.

Heavily armed riot police and six ambulances ringed the prison Tuesday as Caldero talked to the rioters from a police truck outside the fenced prison.

He said they were complaining about food and medical care, but added police believe the riot

began with a gang fight.

Miguel Rivera, administrator of Puerto Rico's juvenile institutions, said youths still held two buildings at the prison.

There are about 13,000 people in Puerto Rico's prisons, which are plagued by riots and warfare between drug gangs.

The government has been cracking down on the gangs, who control daily life within the prison walls. Some riots have been touched off by government efforts to mix members of different drug gangs in the same cell-blocks.

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In Focus

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Today AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Today on National Affirmative Action Day, the Observer looks at how laws attempt to counter the past discrimination of women and minorities.

Affirmative action programs benefit many facets of society

President Clinton summed up the positive effects of affirmative action in a speech he delivered to the University of California in San Diego in 1997.

By JESSICA DELGADO
News Writer

The functions of affirmative action are as diverse as the people it serves.

Statistics show that affirmative action programs have done more good than for which they are given credit.

Its goals include achieving diversity in colleges, improving the learning process for everyone at a university and providing women and minorities full educational and workplace opportunities.

Affirmative action takes pro-active and preemptive steps to root out discrimination, rather than waiting for after-the-fact litigation.

It seeks to expand the talent pool for businesses to draw from, which has led to more diverse workforces and enhances the performance and productivity of a company.

President Bill Clinton expressed these views about affirmative action in a speech given on June 14, 1997 at the University of California in San Diego.

"It has given us a whole generation of professionals in fields that used to be exclusive clubs, where people like me got the benefit of 100 percent affirmative action."

IBM has adopted a plan that has made women in management positions triple in less than 10 years, reports the National Women's Law Center.

The number of women that

own businesses has risen by 57 percent, with 7.7 million woman-owned businesses that employ more people than all the Fortune 500 companies put together.

As a result of litigation and construction trades, affirmative action plans have been put into place within the police and fire departments as well.

By 1993, women composed 16 percent of the police force compared to 9.4 percent in 1983 and 3.7 percent of fire fighters versus 1.0 percent in 1983.

When the Office of Federal Contract Compliance concentrated on the coal mining industry in 1973, there were no women. After the review in 1980, there was an increase to 8.7 percent.

"There are more African-American, Latino and Asian-American lawyers and judges, scientists and engineers and accountants and executives than ever before," Clinton explained in his speech.

Because of the removal of affirmative action in Texas and California, the states are beginning to see downturns. The University of Texas, which is known for producing minority lawyers, accepted 11 blacks and saw none enroll. Meanwhile, the number of Hispanics dropped from 50 to 14.



Although affirmative action benefits the public in many ways, it remains a controversial law. California Governor Pete Wilson testified before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee last April and proposed that California's affirmative action laws are unfair and should be amended. AFP Photo

In the University of California at Berkeley, the admissions for black students dropped 80 percent and Hispanic student admission fell 50 percent to 32 percent.

Linda Wightman, at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, found that of the 3,485 black students accepted by law schools in 1991, just 687 would have been admitted on the sole basis of board exams and grades.

Yet these same minority students had graduation rates and bar-exam pass rates similar to those of whites students.

"Many affirmative action students excel. They work hard, they achieve, they go out and serve the communities that need them for their expertise and role model. If you close the door on them, we will weaken our greatest universities and it will be more difficult to build the

society we need in the 21st century," Clinton asserted.

"The best example of affirmative action is our military. Our armed forces are diverse from top to bottom, perhaps the most integrated institution in our society and certainly the most integrated military in the world," Clinton said.

The National Women's Law Center contributed to this article.

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Affirmative Action fact and fiction

FICTION: Ethnic minorities and women are hired or promoted because employees are bound by AA practices.

FACT: Only AA plans that do not compromise valid job or educational qualifications are lawful.

FICTION: Quotas are used to implement AA.

FACT: AA has never used quotas. It provides women and minorities with education and workplace opportunities.

FICTION: AA programs discriminate against white males, leading to reverse discrimination.

FACT: Reverse discrimination is rare, accounting for only 2 percent of employment scenarios.

FICTION: AA mandates preferential treatment and unfair advantages for minorities and women.

FACT: AA does not require preferences. Women and minorities do not assume that they will be given preferential treatment.

FICTION: The pay disparity between the genders does not suggest discriminatory practices.

FACT: In 1993, the amount of wages women lost due to pay inequality was nearly \$100 billion.

FICTION: The U.S. Government should not promote AA through federal funds.

FACT: These funds come from taxes paid by women and minorities who are entitled to a fair portion of federal contracts.

WOMEN IN AMERICA EARN ONLY 74 PERCENT OF WHAT MEN DO.



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Progress remains slow even under aid of affirmative action

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
Saint Mary's News Editor

More than 30 years after affirmative action policies began to be implemented, minorities and women still face barriers in their quest to achieve equality with white men in the workplace and in education.

After the implementation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibited sex discrimination in employment, recruitment, outreach and training, affirmative action initiatives have assisted all women and minorities in finding equal opportunities.

While there is progress, it is coming slowly.

"It does strike me that amongst students, they perceive they can do anything," said Susan Alexander, assistant professor of sociology, social work and anthropology at Saint Mary's. "Society has changed and there are more opportunities for women to succeed than there used to be."

However, these students may be too optimistic.

"I don't know how many of these students realize that it doesn't always work like that," said Alexander, referring to opportunities available to women and minorities in society. "Some barriers still exist. We'll see what happens if Elizabeth Dole decides to run for president."

Discrepancies in pay

between white men and women attest to the need for affirmative action. According to statistics from the Leadership Council on Civil Rights (LCCR), 67 percent of the 62 million working women in the U.S. earn less than \$20,000 annually, and 38 percent earn less than \$10,000. In 1991, women physicians earned 53.9 percent of the male physician's wage, the LCCR reported.

In addition, for every dollar earned by men, women on the whole earn 74 cents, African-American women earn 63 cents and Latina women earn 57 cents, according to statistics from the National Organization for Women.

The pay gap is disturbing to Alexander.

"We need to link this to education," said Alexander. "The more education you receive, the more likely you are to be higher paid. Even when women do choose to pursue an education, they are not receiving the same pay as men."

This is seen frequently in academia, said Alexander, where both men and women have Ph.D.s but women hold the lower ranking positions within departments and are paid less.

"There is something going on when that doesn't lead to equal pay," said Alexander. "This is a situ-

ation where women don't have the opportunity to move up the ladder."

A woman's career choice could lead to the pay discrepancy, said Alexander.

For example, women make up most of the education field, while only 8.4 percent of all engineers are women, according to the Census Bureau. On average, engineers receive higher pay than teachers, and this can sometimes account for the discrepancy, said Alexander.

In other high-paying fields, women make up only 25 percent of all doctors and lawyers, according to the Census Bureau.

The fight to level the playing field through affirmative action continues today and the need for the continuation, particularly for minority women, is evident in statistics from the LCCR, according to Alexander.

Minority women, in particular, continue to be underrepresented in numerous areas of the business world. Only 2.6 percent of executive, managerial and administrative jobs were held by African-American women and 5 percent by Latinas versus 37.6 percent held by white women. In hospital industry jobs, African-American and Latina women held 4.6 percent of positions, while white women held 50.2 percent, according to statistics from the LCCR.

Schools question need for affirmative action

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
News Writer

Responding to a shifting national attitude toward the role of race and ethnicity in college admissions, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst announced Friday that it will turn its back on affirmative action.

In changing the role diversity plays in financial aid and admissions decisions, the institution has joined a growing number of colleges that have undergone similar attitude adjustments.

The change in focus concerns Dan Saracino, assistant provost of admissions at Notre Dame.

"The benefits of affirmative action are spoken for," Saracino said. "But because colleges have not been able to articulate persuasively reasons why affirmative action is good for their campuses, the federal government will step in."

First coined by President Lyndon Johnson in 1965, the phrase affirmative action was a

part of an executive order requiring federal contractors to "take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, creed, color, or national origin."

The Supreme Court cautiously supported affirmative action in relation to college admissions in the 1978 case, *Bakke v. Regents of the University of California*.

The court held that a special admissions program that reserved class spaces for applicants from "economically or educationally disadvantaged backgrounds" was a policy that promoted reverse discrimination against whites.

But while the court ruled that this type of special admissions was illegal because of the quotas set by admission officers, they did recognize the role that diversity plays in education, saying that the university had the right to select students who would contribute to a "robust exchange of ideas."

The *Bakke* decision set the standard nationwide for consideration of diversity as a positive factor in terms of admission, just as athletic talent, geography or alumni status play a role in the admission process.

However, in 1996, a district court lawsuit involving the University of Texas took a step towards overturning the *Bakke* decision and changing the face of educational affirmative action forever.

In *Hopwood v. University of Texas*, Cheryl Hopwood sued the university's School of Law for admitting less-qualified minorities and denying her admission. While Hopwood only received \$1 of damages, after an appeal, the court released

an opinion that contradicted the *Bakke* decision.

Because diversity can not be a state interest, the court said, the school's admissions process was constitutionally flawed.

The judicial decisions sent sparks through college admissions offices nationwide, and in 1996, California's legislature became the first to strike down its state's affirmative action programs.

Proposition 209, passed by 54 percent of California's voters, states that the consideration of race, ethnicity and gender in state-supported education, employment and contracting are not to be included in application decisions.

Following California's decision, Texas, Colorado, Florida and Washington are considering similar plans.

"Right now, we give preferential treatment to athletes and alumni," said Saracino. "People who are against affirmative action will say that it's not fair to give minorities preferential treatment, that we need to put

them on the same playing field. But if we do that, we cannot give that preferential treatment to athletes or alumni. It would be strictly by the numbers."

Yet while schools such as University of Massachusetts-Amherst and University of California-Berkeley have publicly denounced support of affirmative action, Saracino sees Notre Dame's acceptance of the

policy as an advantage for the University's admissions process.

"A school like Notre Dame is unlike several other national universities in that it does not have the diversity that other schools have," he said. "But if we maintain an aggressive affirmative action policy, it helps at a time when other schools are backing away. We are going to remain proactive."

Universities that have denounced affirmative action are taking steps to maintain diversity within their classes, however.

The "Ten Percent Plan," spearheaded by Texas, allows automatic admission for students to public colleges if they graduate within the top 10 percent of their high school class. At the University of California, discussions recommending the elimination of SAT and ACT scores in the admissions process are underway.

Yet the key to maintaining diversity, Saracino says, is not to eliminate affirmative action, but to regulate it.

"To admit a student simply because they are [a minority] is not only unethical, but it is unethical. The laws that California has passed are mean-spirited," he said. "Let's not throw the baby out with the bathwater. Affirmative action does have benefits."

THE BAKKE DECISION SET THE STANDARD NATIONWIDE FOR CONSIDERATION OF DIVERSITY AS A POSITIVE FACTOR IN TERMS OF ADMISSION, JUST AS ATHLETIC TALENT, GEOGRAPHY OR ALUMNI STATUS PLAY A ROLE IN THE ADMISSION PROCESS.

Many campus activities throughout Black History Month celebrated diversity. Bertha King, a diversity support specialist at Memorial Hospital, spoke to Saint Mary's students last week about the struggles and satisfactions of exploring your minority identity.



The Observer/Manuela Hernandez

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Mary's minorities graduate, which is equal to the 76 percent of the majority student population that graduates.

The retention rate for all undergraduates at Notre Dame is 88.8 percent. When broken up by ethnicity, graduation rates, in 1994, were 72.4 percent for non-resident aliens, 60.3 percent for African-Americans, 66.7 percent for Native Americans, 89.7 percent for Asians, 77.9 percent for Hispanics and 91.4 percent for whites.

Retention rates by ethnicity in 1996 were 97.5 percent for all undergraduates, 93.5 percent for non-resident aliens, 93.8 percent for African-Americans, 100 percent for Native Americans, 94.7 percent for Asians, 97.4 percent for Hispanics and 97.8 percent for whites.

"Given that the graduation rates are comparable, I'd be surprised if [the minority students] weren't retaining at the same rates," said Mary Lelick, Saint Mary's director of Institutional Research. "If we look historically, with only a handful of minority students,

there hasn't been a need to track [minorities] on an individual basis."

SUPPORT SYSTEMS

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs at Notre Dame's support services hope to retain multicultural students.

Specifically, the office sponsors the OMSA Scholars Program, which offers scholarships to multicultural students, for which first year students can apply. It also offers workshops that encourage using the Learning Resource Center, provides information on business etiquette and provides information on opportunities for internships and summer research opportunities for under-represented students.

The office tries to help both students from dominantly white backgrounds and students from minority backgrounds.

"A lot of Notre Dame students come [from] homogeneous populations, and their first experience with minorities is here," said Iris Outlaw, the director of Multicultural Student Affairs at Notre Dame. "We're trying to provide an environment that is comfortable for students who are not part of the majority population. We encourage students not to assimilate, but stay true to who they are, and not sell out.

We assist in self-exploration."

Some current students see room for improvement.

"I feel the University needs to market the programs and intervene in different circumstances to bring down some barriers to success," said Dameyon Harrison, a Notre Dame senior. "By trying to calm fears so they won't feel a loss of pride and

also to further goals and objectives of different programs on campus. It's benefiting those who actually feel comfortable to take advantage of the programs, but personally I'm still waiting for a positive impact on the quality of lives of many African-Americans on campus."

He would also like to see a rise in the numbers of minority stu-

dents.

"It's disparaging to see some of the numbers, especially for African-American students here on campus," Harrison said. "The numbers are drastically different from the majority students, and I feel the University as a whole needs to address some of the issues African-American students have here."

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Greenspan: Growth is 'torrid,' but rate cuts may be needed

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Tuesday a "surprisingly robust" U.S. economy should continue growing

this year but at a much slower pace than last.

And he dropped hints that if the slow-down doesn't occur, the central bank

is prepared to increase interest rates to make it happen.

Delivering his twice-a-year report on Fed policy to Congress, Greenspan did not signal that a rate increase is imminent. Indeed, he also left open the possibility that if the global economic crisis should suddenly re-ignite, the Fed would respond with further rate cuts, as it did last fall.

"We remain vulnerable to rapidly changing conditions overseas, which, as we all saw last summer, can be transmitted to U.S. markets quickly and dramatically," Greenspan said.

But referring to the three interest rate cuts the Fed made over a span of seven weeks last year, Greenspan said the central bank must address "whether the full extent of the

policy easings undertaken last fall ... remains appropriate."

That remark was seen as a signal that the Fed is having second thoughts about the third rate cut, which moved the federal funds rate — the interest that banks charge each other — down to 4.75 percent.

Greenspan called the economy's growth rate in the fourth quarter "torrid." He also repeated worries he expressed last month about whether the stock market's return to record levels is justified in light of the weakness in corporate earnings.

"The Fed probably regrets in hindsight that the third rate cut was made," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo in Minneapolis. "Chairman Greenspan is telling us that the Fed hopes the economy slows on its own, but he is not going to wait forever for that to occur."

Wall Street investors also had a pessimistic reading of Greenspan's words. Bond prices dropped sharply on fears of future Fed rate increases, with falling demand pushing the yield on Treasury's benchmark 30-year bond up to 5.43 percent, compared to 5.35 percent on Monday. Stock prices edged lower as well. The Dow Jones industrial average finished the day down 8.26 at 9,544.42.



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■ LIKE ARROWS IN THE HAND OF A WARRIOR

Not Me, Not Me, but to You Alone

You had a fight with your best friend. Your friend is someone you have known all of your life, who has given you support, given you

Gabriel Martínez

advice. You have counted on your friend, and you have never been disappointed.

But know you have fought. You said things you wish you wouldn't have said; you did things you regret having done. Then you realize how much you value the friendship, even though you may not be able to express it. But you want to be friends again. Then you do what is necessary. You swallow your pride, you say all the right words and you make clear that you are ready to do what it takes to heal the wounds.

If you value the friendship, maybe you are even ready to change to be a better friend. If you realize what it really means to lose this friendship, and what it means to gain it, you are more than willing to make quite a few sacrifices.

Sacrifice, in Lent, is something we give up to God, not to our egos. Sacrifice is not a social occasion. When we pray, fast and give alms this Lent, we should not do it so that other people may be impressed, like the girl we like or the Trustee we dislike. When we fast, pray and give alms, we should do it to atone for our sins and to bring down mercies from Heaven.

We should do it in the private of our hearts and our stomachs, letting not one hand know what the other is doing. It may be as common as "How was your summer?" but to the question "What are you giving up for Lent?" we should answer with a polite "I'd rather not tell." That will make people suspicious, but

who cares. Our Father sees in the secret.

In sacrificing to God we unite ourselves with Christ. We carry our crosses right next to His, on the way to Calvary. Our crosses may be

small, but if they are, they should be like lice, which are tiny but painful. Every time we see that coveted partial good that we are giving up for that Good that we seek, we should remember that Christ led the way.

God is not treating us like spoiled brats, letting us have infinity without any cooperation on our part. Christ's sacrifice is inimitable, and it is a free gift, but we must be willing to accept it: that we do, in part, through sacrifices. What good does it do to us if we honor God with our lips but our hearts are turned away from Him? That is, if we say we love God, but we give no importance to showing our love and making it grow through our actions? Then our faith is as useless as a screen door in a submarine (thanks, St. James and Rich Mullins). So sacrifice we will, knowing we follow the example of the Son of God.

An analogy that comes to mind (because I just heard it from someone else) is that of a child who breaks a very expensive window. The father agrees to pay for it because the child could not afford it, but that does not mean that the child should have no part in making up for his or her mistake. In the same way, there is no way that we can restore our relationship with God by ourselves. The weight of our sins is too great for us: that is why Christ's Cross is necessary to save us. But we play a part on our own salvation by accepting that the Cross of Christ is the way, and then taking up the cross ourselves. Just as it is fair for the child to

cooperate in the restitution of the window, it is fair for us to cooperate in the restitution of our souls.

Our sacrifices cannot be inane. We cannot give up the idea of giving up: it's like giving the sun up for Lent in Michiana: what's the point of it? If our sacrifice is not painful, if it does not remind us of what Christ suffered on the Cross, then

really, what is it about? Our sacrifice may have some useful human purpose, like giving up alcohol for a binge-drinker, or giving up some nasty habit (i.e., a vice), like smoking (sorry, Dave). But if the love

pointed out (quite rightly) that we should remember Christ at all times, and not only between February and March. In spite of appearance, she is not saying we should ignore our friends when they are sick, just because we don't need a designated season to remember them. Of course we should rejoice at the birth of Christ, mourn His death, and glorify His resurrection every day (the Rosary is a good way). Yet we set apart 40 days out of the year to dress our hearts with sackcloth and cover our tongue with ashes, so that, every year, the shock of our guilt will make us cry, with the Psalmist, "Forgive me, O Lord, for I have done what is evil in your sight."

I plain don't understand the next-to-last paragraph of that Inside Column. First Ms. Gaughen argues that not eating meat on Fridays is not that much of a sacrifice: after all, meat is a lot more plentiful now than in the past. I don't quite see how this follows, but OK. Then she implies that meatless Fridays in the dining halls impose an unnecessary burden on non-Catholics: but I thought no meat was not much of a sacrifice. The truth is that meatless Fridays are a sacrifice, especially for people like me, who want beef, chicken, or pork in every meal. But this isn't very healthy. We meat-eaters need a nice vegetarian meal every once in a while. If you are a non-Catholic, at least you get the benefit of saving your arteries. If you are a Catholic and you pick up pasta with the right mind and with the right heart, you are also working toward the salvation of your soul.

Christ was not afraid to make the supreme sacrifice. Christ was not reluctant to give His life for you. Are you?

Gabriel Xavier Martínez is not, contrary to popular belief, a frog, but a graduate student in Economics. His column runs every other Wednesday.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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GARRY TRUDEAU

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

'All modern American literature comes from one book by Mark Twain called *Huckleberry Finn*.'

— Ernest Hemingway

■ THE PSA

Sweatshops: Social Justice or \$ocial Ju\$stice for ND?

John Paul II writes in *Laborem Exercens*: "the Church considers it her task always to call attention to the dignity and rights of those who work, to condemn situations in which that dig-

Progressive Student Alliance

nity and those rights are violated, and to help to guide ... changes so as to ensure authentic progress by man and society."

The workplace, its conditions, the provision of a living wage, and the employment of children have been focal concerns of the Catholic social tradition since *Rerum Novarum*. How is it then that this

'WITH THE CLC AND OTHER COLLEGES ADOPTING STRICTER CODES, OUR CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY IS DESTINED TO BECOME A LARGE ESCAPE VALVE FOR THE MORALLY MOST REPUGNANT MANUFACTURERS. NOTRE DAME SHOULD BE IN THE VANGUARD ON THIS ISSUE. MANY SECULAR INSTITUTIONS HAVE DECIDED TO PUT JUSTICE BEFORE PROFITS. IT'S HIGH TIME THAT WE DO ALSO.'

University with its vocal pretension to maintain a Catholic character could have anything but the highest regard and deepest concern for justice in the workplace?

The University has a Code of Conduct which establishes necessary conditions for work environments in which Notre Dame licensed apparel can be produced. This code is outdated however. Many universities, including the entire University of California system for example, have stricter codes and the Collegiate Licensing Corporation (CLC), the nation's largest licensing firm, is in the process of adopting a code which is much stricter than Notre Dame's.

Stricter codes include a clause requiring that workers be allowed freely to associate: to form or join unions of their choosing. Notre Dame's does not. Stricter codes demand that workers be given one day off during each seven day period worked, and that work beyond 48 hours a week be paid as overtime. Notre Dame's does not. Stricter codes specify that bonded or indentured labor may not be used, and that sexual harassment not be tolerated in the workplace. Our's does not.

Stricter codes are more enforceable, requiring that vendors of licensed apparel provide the location and contact information for all facilities in which licensed apparel is produced. This information is made available to outside social organizations who monitor production facilities in third world countries. Without such disclosure and the scrutiny of such watch-dog groups, no code of conduct is truly enforceable, but Notre Dame has no such provision.

Many other universities are considering adding "living wage" provisions to their codes. This is another area in which Notre Dame lags

behind. The very notion of a living wage as a justice issue goes back to Leo XIII and *Rerum Novarum*, yet this Catholic institution has abdicated the leadership on this issue to secular institutions. All it would take is to charge a committee with researching a schedule of living wages for the countries in which Notre Dame licensed products are made and to establish appropriate minimum wages in facilities producing Notre Dame apparel.

Here is a portrait of working conditions made possible by our lax code. Lin is a Chinese national working in a factory in a Pacific Rim country. She has posted a bond (her entire life savings) as a condition of her employment, which means if she is fired she forfeits the bond and is repatriated to China. She works a 60-hour week, including Saturdays and Sundays earning .40 an hour, the prevailing wage for apparel workers in the region but less

than half of what it would take to provide herself and her child with adequate food,

housing and medical care. She can do little to improve her lot: she isn't allowed to join a labor union. If she tries she will be fired and will forfeit her bond. In fact if she disobeys any of her boss's orders she could be summarily fired, forfeit her bond and be repatriated.

Millions of persons work under such conditions. I don't know that such a worker makes Notre Dame licensed apparel, but with our code it is possible, and if she does neither I, nor Notre Dame, nor any independent watch dog group would have any way to discover it, because Notre Dame does not require disclosure.

We are the nations largest collegiate apparel licensor. This is one arena in which doing the right thing also has a major impact on the industry at large. With the CLC and other colleges adopting stricter codes, our

Catholic university is destined to become a large escape valve for the morally most repugnant manufacturers. Notre Dame should be in the vanguard on this issue. Many secular institutions have decided to put Justice before profits. It's high time that we do also.

For more information, including specific proposals, links to other colleges and organizations involved with the issue, and information on upcoming rallies and other events on campus, check out the PSA web site: www.nd.edu/~psa.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dishonorable Coverage



I am writing to tell you how disappointed and disgruntled I am with the recent coverage of the Big East Championships on the sides of the women's and men's track and field teams. The recent accomplishments of individual athletes, team trophies and record performances went completely unrecognized and dishonored in the Tuesday publication of *The Observer*.

The track and field team is the second largest team on the Notre Dame campus, only second to whom I don't know but the fact is that this is a sport that the most people on this campus participate in. Not only varsity athletes but most every person on this campus has participated in some form of this sport before. Therefore, track and field does have importance at Notre Dame and is not being recognized in this respect. Although this is a disgrace, the more disgraceful is that the Big East Championships were this past weekend and the coverage of this meet in *The Observer* has been deplorable.

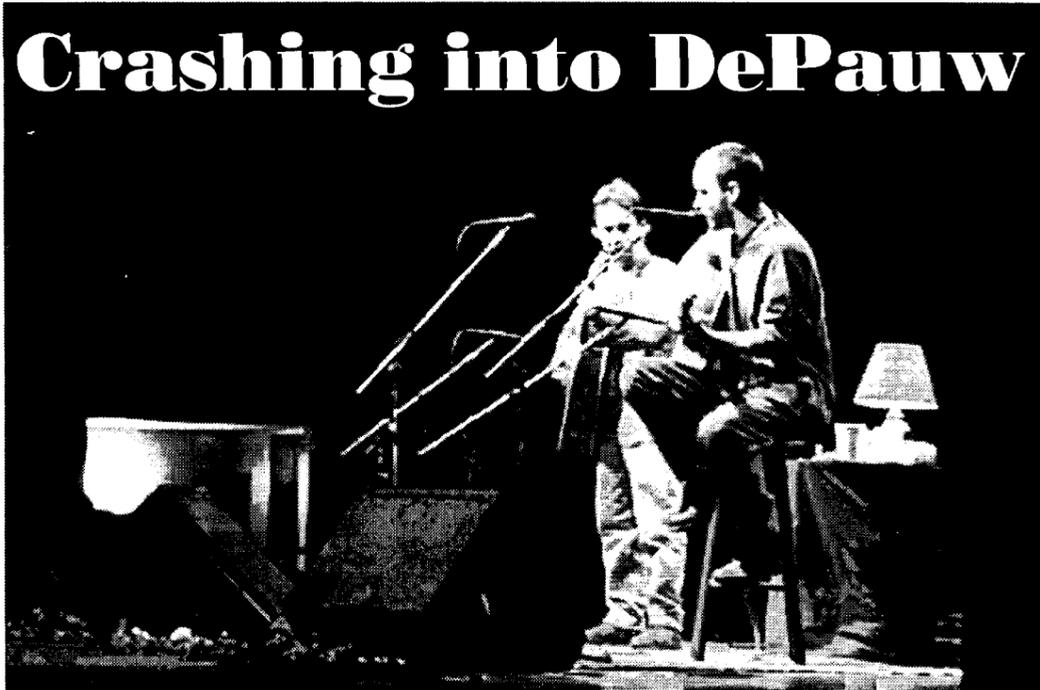
The women went into this meet deemed only able to score around 60 points of which would have been a good number compared to other years as it was. On the first day of the meet the women led the whole meet. This would seem like exciting news to me. Although they didn't end up winning they got darn close by placing third by only 19 points. This was amazing yet unrecognized with even a sentence. I have not checked the records but I believe this may have been history in the making. Besides this team accomplishment the women's team also had many individuals who were dishonorably recognized in the paper. I will not go into detail with every performance but there was one Big East champion, at least three second-place finishes and multiple third places. Being in possibly the best conference for track and field in the nation, this is a major accomplishment.

I am not on the men's team but would venture to say that the coverage was a little bit better on their side. The men did have a sound meet but they did not finish in second by a mere 19 points they finished in second by more than 50. The women obviously being much closer to the championship title. Their individuals were mentioned with more dignity but not close to the work that was put down by all of them.

I hope that *The Observer* will recognize their fault in writing this article and decide to take more consideration in their next venture at publicizing a Big East Championship meet or a national meet. Track and field does not garner competition twice a week like other teams, therefore it would seem that one or two meets a season would be able to be covered with more respect.

JoAnna Deeter
Junior, McGlenn Hall
February 23, 1999

Crashing into DePauw



Matthews, Reynolds go acoustic at small Indiana venue

These days, if you want to see a big name rock act, you had better plan on enjoying it with 20,000 other crazy kids. You should also be prepared to hear only 35 percent of what the lead singer says, encounter many drunken people and wait for two hours to get out of the stadium parking lot. It's also sometimes frustrating when you leave the show — maybe you expected a little more. This past Sunday, however, I encountered none of these problems at the Dave Matthews/Tim Reynolds Acoustic Show at Depauw University.

Depauw University is located in a small Indiana town called Greencastle. Although we spent some time searching the town for a huge castle, we only found a couple of pawnshops and a two-screen movie theatre. When I finally came to grips that we weren't going to see a castle with kings and princes, we decided to find the auditorium.

Outside of the venue, people gathered to catch a glimpse of Mr. Matthews. In fact, he did show his face, but only for a few minutes. A couple of shady women were talking to a shady crewmember and proceeded to get into one of the tour buses with him. We later saw them being escorted to one of the entrances that lead to the backstage area — it was all very shady.

Anyway, enough of the shadiness — let's talk about the actual show. Walking into the auditorium, I thought I had gone back to high school. The place was tiny — only about 1,400 seats. Matthews and Reynolds came out onto the stage at about 7:39 p.m.

Matthews explained to the crowd that he doesn't need to "take anything" to make him crazy. He said that he just a weird guy by nature. Then the two broke into an inspiring version of "Best of What's Around."

Next came the classic Bob Dylan tune "All Along the Watchtower." During the first two songs the crowd was pretty loud, but they learned how to control themselves. They realized it was easier to hear if people weren't screaming the words to every song.

There were many high points during the show. The stripped-down acoustic display of the many hits was very refreshing. "The Stone" was a haunting selection that ended with Matthews singing the words to Elvis Presley's "Can't Help Falling In Love."

"One Sweet World" made the room feel like one big happy family, and "Say Goodbye" was a huge success as well.

Two unreleased songs struck me with great intensity. The original tune called "Reconcile Our Differences" was very dark and emotional with lyrics like "If I die before my time, don't forget me, don't regret me." The crowd was silenced by this piece. The rendition of the Rolling Stones' classic "Wild Horses" was also impressive. These two men made this bittersweet song stick in the heads of every soul listening.

The other treat of the show was the difference between Matthews and Reynolds. As Matthews sat strumming his sweet acoustic chords, Reynolds stood up just rocking out with his many pedals and effects. Matthews was very charismatic, while Reynolds did not even talk to the crowd. Matthews appeared to be about six-foot tall while Reynolds was barely five-foot. Maybe this was why they work so well together.

There were some bad things about the show — one attributed to the musicians, and the other to some other people. The duo's rendition of "Stay" was horrible. They changed the beginning riff, which was somewhat cool, but Dave's words did not fit at all with the music. It looked like two amateurs on stage who didn't know what they were doing. The song did, however, have a cool ending.

The other bad part of the show was the group of annoying girls sitting in front of me. They sat the entire show screaming "Warehouse!" They finally shut up after Dave made fun of their high shrieking voices. They sulked throughout the rest of the performance.

I had a good time. No, I had a hell of a time. The venue was small, I could hear what was going on, and the only disturbance was the teenage fan club in front of me. If you ever get a chance to see these two men jam, I would highly recommend it. It wasn't a rock concert — it was a musical performance.

SETLIST

- Best Of What's Around
- All Along The Watchtower
- Crush
- The Stone/(Can't Help Falling In Love)
- Christmas Song
- Reconcile Our Differences/Don't Drink The Water (This Land Is Your Land)
- One Sweet World
- Two Step
- Lie In Our Graves
- Tim Solo (Unknown)
- What Would You Say
- Say Goodbye
- Stay
- Jimi Thing/(Shook Me all Night Long)
- What Will Become Of Me/Pantala Naga
- Pampa
- Crash Into Me/(Dixie Chicken)
- Halloween
- Spoon
- Loose interpretation (Big Blast of Hot Air)-
- Tim Solo
- Wild Horses
- Dancing Nancies
- Encore
- Warehouse
- Tripping Billies

Geoffrey Rahie

63 in a 45

another perspective

When we are older and college is nothing more than a patchwork of memories and glorious tales that we cannot help but laugh at, there will be moments when we can do nothing but be grateful we had the chance to experience this time in our lives. This I know to be completely true because it is what high school has become in my mind.

On Feb. 21, 1999, I was one of the fortunate 1,400 to experience three hours of acoustic bliss with Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds. The value of the day,

however, was not limited to possibly the best concert I have ever or will ever see in my life. I was also able to partake in one of the quintessential college experiences — the "road trip."

Geoff and I left campus at about 1 p.m. The doors to the show opened at 6:30 p.m., but we really had no idea how long it was going to take us to get down to DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind. After we gassed up the car and grabbed some lunch, we were on our way. We put some music on and began a lengthy discussion on women and relationships, which lasted almost the entire four-hour trip.

We arrived in Greencastle with plenty of time to find the concert hall. While we were walking around the performing arts center where the concert was being held, we were lucky enough to see Dave get out of his tour bus and make his way into the building. He turned and waved and we waved back. It was a very emotional experience.

As for the concert, we really had no idea what to expect since this was our first time at a Dave Matthews/Tim Reynolds show. After the doors opened, we were surprised to see nothing more than a high school auditorium. On the stage, there were four guitars, two chairs and a table with a couple of wooden elephants.

It was interesting to see the number of people attending the show who were not college students. There were a fair share of teenyboppers but also some very young kids and some rather older people in attendance. Most of the college crowd funneled in approximately two minutes before showtime as people milled around waiting for the lights to go out.

The biggest question in my mind was whether the crowd was going to be a good one. When Matthews and Reynolds came out onto the stage there was a roar — as much of a roar as 1,400 people can make. The audience was mostly well-behaved, except for

album reviews

"If I could tell the world just one thing it would be we're all okay." If you have been anywhere near a radio for the past two or three months, there is not doubt you have already heard these oversimplified lyrics to the first release from Jewel's sophomore album "Spirit" entitled "Hands." Released in November of 1998, the 13-song album expands upon the minimally produced sound of her 1994 multi-platinum debut "Pieces of You," which featured such hits as "Who Will Save Your Soul" and "You Were Meant for Me." Since then, the album has remained at the top of Billboard's Top 200 list, securing Jewel's status as one of the industry's top performers.

Filled with simply stated inspirational themes, the album is testimony to Jewel's growth as a woman. Gone is the young girl-against-the-world angst of her previous album, having been replaced by comforting images of faith and hope. While the artist remains fraught with vulnerability and sometimes dissatisfaction, this time she is not content to wallow in it.

"I knew exactly what I wanted to do with this record and what I wanted it to do to people," Jewel recently told Billboard Magazine. "I wanted to write a record that was the antidote to all the things which made me worry in the world, so that it's comforting somehow."

Unfortunately, in the expression of this antidote, Jewel wavers across an ultrathin line between simplicity and naivete. In the aforementioned "Hands," for example, she courageously sings "We'll fight, not out of spite/For someone must stand up for what's right." There are times

when she is a little too simple for her own good.

The album itself, produced by Patrick Leonard, who is best known for his work with Madonna, is a solid follow-up to Jewel's former work, although at times it is a little monotonous. The amber tones of Jewel's voice are full of a new-found confidence, but they are at times so relaxing that it almost lulls the listener to sleep.

Toward the middle of the album, the songs begin to run together, until the more poppy, upbeat song "Life Uncommon" intercepts them. The album slows down again, however, with the last two songs of the album, but the beautiful melodies of "Absence of Fear" and simple harmony in the bonus track "This Little Bird" are so genuine that they set these songs part from the others.

What is even more unique about the bonus track is that it actually features the vocals of Jewel's mother rather than her own. It is easy from this song to see where Jewel gets her incredible vocal range and control. The union of their ranges results in a beautiful mother-daughter duet that cradles the listener through the end of the CD.

While "Spirit" does not have breakthrough number-one hits like "Who Will Save Your Soul" and "You Were Meant for Me," the overall album is fairly strong and consistent — perfect for any Jewel fan, but maybe not for everyone.

Kelly Cooney

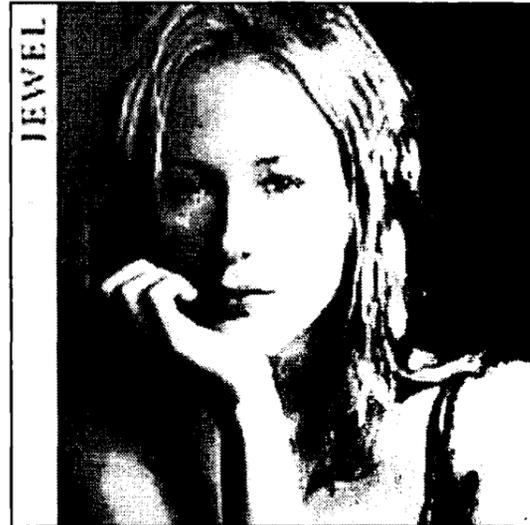


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Jewel
Spirit
Atlantic Records

★★★ (out of five)

Blink 182

Buddha

Kung Fu Records

★★★ (out of five)

Hey there music lovers! The Big Kahuna is here to tell ya all about the new Blink-182 CD. The San Diego punk rock trio has recently released "Buddha," a digitally remixed and remastered version of their earliest studio recordings.

"The good people at Kung Fu (Records) have agreed to unleash these tracks from the vault," according to Blink.

These recordings had previously sat collecting dust on a shelf in guitar player Tom Delonge's living room. Now, dusted off and remastered, Blink invites you to "enjoy this whimsical journey back to our humble beginnings recorded at Double Time Studios in San Diego, Calif., over three rainy nights in 1995, just six months after the band formed."

First, I think it is appropriate to provide you with a little background on Blink-182. They're a three-piece punk-rock band from California. Those of you who listen to my radio show will recognize them as the band who plays "Wasting Time," the song I always used to spin for the B.P. girl. Otherwise, you've probably heard their song "Dammit" on the radio, in the car, at a party or in the movie "Can't Hardly Wait." You may recognize "Dammit" from its lyrics — "And it's happened once again/You'll turn to a friend/Someone that understands/And sees through the master plan/But everyone is gone/And I've been here for too long/To face this on my own/Well I guess this is growing up."

Blink-182 is also credited with the release of two other two albums — "Cheshire Cat" and "Dude Ranch." "Buddha" is their third release in four years.

Buddha has a total of 14 songs, my favorite being "21 Days." It seems that almost every band plays a cheesy love song. Blink has a bunch, with "21 Days" being one of them. Distortion fills the background as Tom Delonge sing that "My mind wanders as I'm trying not to fall in love with you."

The fast punk rhythm, loud guitars and catchy lyrics of Blink-182 make this album pleasing to those who enjoy the power-punk edge. Besides being catchy, the lyrics are often downright amusing. In a song called "T.V.," bass guitarist Mark Hoppus sings, "When I'm at work I always rush right home for lunch/So I can check out what's up on the Brady Bunch/And when I'm walking through the front door at night/I gotta see who's winning on the Price Is Right."

Most songs tend to deal with the subjects of girls, friends, television programs and the funny things that always seem to happen to people our age. Some other song titles include "Romeo and Rebecca," "The Girl Next Door," "Carousel" and "Reebok Commercial."

Despite the high amusement factor of Buddha, I find the album to be less enjoyable than Blink's first two CDs. It does not have a "radio friendly" song and lacks variety in musical style. "Buddha" is the kind of album that would appeal to people who are already Blink-182 fans. In my opinion, the CD is not a good representation of their musical talents.

For now, I suggest that you hold off buying it and instead pick up one of their other releases, "Dude Ranch" or "Cheshire Cat." These have a better selection of songs, a larger scope of musical styles and will give you a better impression of what the group has to offer. Only after you decide that you enjoy these two Blink CDs would I suggest purchasing "Buddha." Otherwise, spend your dinero on something else.

Keith Kawamoto

the girls in the front row who kept standing up and dancing. Fortunately, they were soon yelled down. Another lowlight was the lack of respect given to Reynolds when he played. Often people would begin talking loudly and moving around.

One of the best parts of any Dave Matthews/Tim Reynolds show is the "Davespeak," so named because it is when Matthews speaks to the audience. The stories and the interaction between him and us just made the room feel even smaller. Among the highlights of the songs that he played were "Reconcile Our Differences," which merely by the fact that it is an unreleased song made it worth hearing. Also of note were "The Stone," "Two Step" with a great ending, "Say Goodbye" and his comments on how stupid what happens in the song can be, "Jimi Thing" — not only just for "Jimi Thing" but for the fact that he played a blues version of AC/DC's "Shook Me All Night Long" near the end — and the

"What Will Become of Me/Pantala Naga Pampa" ending. One of the lowlights of the set was the weird acoustic version of "Stay." I liked the music, but Matthews' singing sounded like it was to a different song.

The best songs of the show were "Halloween," which was filled with emotion, "Wild Horses," a great Rolling stones cover that sounded great acoustic and is such a great song, and last but not least "Spoon," which is just one of the most beautiful songs when it is played acoustically. The best part of the show for me was to be able to see the sheer mastery of the guitar by one Mr. Reynolds. The first song that he played was one that I had never heard before, and it kept me on the edge of my seat waiting for each note. He alone would have been worth the drive. His second solo song was "Loose Interpretation" with a portion of "Big Blast of Hot Air" thrown in for good measure. I was excited

because "Loose Interpretation" is one of my favorite songs and I was probably the only person in the place who recognized it.

All told, it was a very exciting night and a day that I will remember for some time. Oh, and speaking of the lowlights of the night, I received a ticket for violating a speeding ordinance in the town of Bunker Hill, somewhere in the middle of Indiana. I was clocked going 63 in a 45-miles-per-hour zone. But, I don't really mind. Why, you ask? Because it gave me a title to my review and it made the day even more memorable.

James Schuyler

■ WAY OUT IN LEFT FIELD

Clemens out of place in NY

By JOHN COPPOLELLA
Sports Columnist

"I feel very fortunate to have a second chance to be a Yankee," Roger Clemens said. "I had the opportunity two years ago to be part of the Yankee organization [before signing as a free agent with Toronto]. To get a second chance is very exciting and I'm truly thrilled to be here."

Is he really doing it again? In case you missed it, the New York Yankees pulled off a blockbuster trade last week, acquiring five-time Cy Young Award winner Clemens from the Toronto Blue Jays for David Wells, Graeme Lloyd and Homer Bush. On paper, the trade looks like it will make the Yankees an even more dominating team, but if baseball were on paper, the Baltimore Orioles would be in the playoffs.

In reality, the Clemens trade makes sense only as a preventive measure. Two of the pitcher's three main suitors — the Cleveland Indians and Texas Rangers — might face the Yankees in the playoffs, and Cleveland, in particular, would have been a more serious threat if they had an ace of Clemens' magnitude.

Nevertheless, this trade does not make sense for the Yankees. Last year's club set a major-league record with 125 wins thanks to team chemistry. The Yankees had many good players but no real superstars. This worked well, especially against the New York media, which love to slam the overachiever.

Losing Wells doesn't make sense either. He was the dar-

ling of Big Apple sports reporters and also had a breakthrough year, posting an 18-4 record with a 3.49 ERA and topping it off with a perfect game. Wells was the Yankees most dependable starter last year and a fan favorite.

After this signing as a free agent in 1996, Wells immediately became the Yankees' most lively character. While he offered to "punch out" Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, he was more than a clown. He knew more Yankees history than any player on the team and signed with the team as a lifelong Yankees fan. He idolized Babe Ruth.

Baseball, however, is a business. Clemens is coming off of two consecutive Cy Young Awards and has reclaimed his spot as one of the game's best pitchers. With the Yankees, he is expected to continue pitching at this high level, but will he be able to do it? Will he want to do it?

Before signing with the Blue Jays two years ago, Clemens was a combined 40-39 in his last four years with the Boston Red Sox. He has pitched more innings in the past 15 years than any other active major league pitcher. He is 36 years old.

His primary reason in signing with the Yankees was the chance to win a World Series. Initially, when he "demanded" to be traded, he wanted to be closer to home and the Blue Jays began talks with the Rangers and the Houston Astros. Talks with the Rangers never materialized, but the Astros allegedly had a deal worked out to acquire

Clemens. That deal, however, was nixed by Clemens because the Astros would not give him a one-year contract extension for a \$27 million balloon so he could get his salary on par with Kevin Brown's — a 7-year, \$105 million deal with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Clemens signed with the Blue Jays two years ago because he wanted to lead them to the World Series. This year might have been his best chance with the team pegged as a Wild Card challenger and the only real threat to the Yankees in the American League East. But Clemens left Toronto just as he left Boston — in search of greener pastures and perhaps more plentiful greenbacks.

Clemens seems out of place in a Yankee uniform, sort of like Fidel Castro draped in an American flag. The ultimate irony is that when Clemens is elected to the Hall of Fame, that is the uniform he will be wearing.

As much as I hate the Red Sox myself, it is their uniform that he should wear when he is elected to Cooperstown. It symbolizes the glory days of "the Rocket," when 20-strikeout performances and 20-win seasons were the norm.

Clemens is a great pitcher. He may be the outstanding pitcher of our generation. His trade to the Yankees is significant because Clemens and his five Cy Youngs — which, incidentally, are one more than the Yankees have managed throughout their rich tradition — bring more than his talent to New York. Unfortunately, that excess baggage may make the Yankees regret this trade.

■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Gilkey kills trade to Pittsburgh

Associated Press

TUCSON

Despite the laser eye surgery he underwent last September, Bernard Gilkey couldn't see himself in a Pittsburgh Pirates uniform.

The Arizona outfielder refused a restructuring of his contract on Tuesday, killing a trade that would have sent him to the Pirates for Tony Womack and Al Martin.

The decision had nothing to do with money. Gilkey just wanted to stay with the Diamondbacks.

"There's no knock against the Pittsburgh organization or anything like that," Gilkey said. "This choice was made for me and the benefit of my family, and the possibility of taking us to post-season."

Gilkey, 32, talked about the Diamondbacks' struggles he saw after he was traded to Arizona by the New York Mets last July 31. He watched in anticipation as the Diamondbacks spent \$118.9 million on free agents in the offseason, building a pitching rotation that's one of the best in baseball.

He also knew of the trades Pittsburgh had made to bring in outfielders in the off-season.

"I think the outfield is a little more crowded in Pittsburgh," Gilkey said. "I did what I felt was best for me and my family and what we would enjoy. I wanted to be in a nice atmosphere and I want to be around a team that's moving in the right direction."

The collapse of the deal left

the Diamondbacks still searching for a leadoff hitter and some much-needed speed. Diamondbacks General Manager Joe Garagiola Jr. was on the phone about other possible trades Tuesday afternoon.

Gilkey was in a position to veto the trade because the remaining two years of his contract needed to be restructured before the Diamondbacks would go through with the deal. Gilkey is due \$11 million for the next two years, with half of the money deferred.

The Diamondbacks were willing to pay the deferred amount, but Gilkey had to sign off on some changes in the details.

"Both clubs did a lot of work on this," Pirates' general manager Cam Bonifay said. "Arizona did a lot of work with their player, but he decided he didn't want to take the deal that was presented."

Martin is not happy with the prospect of spending a season as a Pirates' reserve, and Womack's status as second baseman is in jeopardy because Pittsburgh signed free agent Pat Meares to play shortstop and planned to switch Mike Benjamin to second.

Bonifay indicated the Pirates would look elsewhere to make a trade.

"If the opportunity presents itself, and we felt we could get quality players and it was a situation where it might help out, we might [make a trade]," Bonifay said. "If not, we'll get together with [owner] Kevin McClatchy and see where he wants to go."

■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Tarheels rally to put away Wake Forest in OT

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL

If No. 14 North Carolina was looking ahead to top-ranked Duke, the Tar Heels almost looked a little too far.

North Carolina (22-7, 10-5 Atlantic Coast Conference) rallied from its largest half-time deficit of the season to finally put away Wake Forest

68-65 in overtime Tuesday night.

Jason Capel, tied for the ACC lead in free throw shooting at 86 percent, made four foul shots over the final 22 seconds of the extra period to win it.

The victory gives North Carolina, who will try to derail Duke's undefeated ACC season on Saturday night, a

school-record seven straight 10-win seasons in the ACC.

Ademola Okulaja, Kris Lang and Brendan Haywood led the way for North Carolina with 16 points each.

The Demon Deacons (15-12, 6-9) fell to 1-14 in the Smith Center as Robert O'Kelley led the way with 28 points.

But the 3-point ace fouled out with 1:09 left in overtime,

leaving a huge offensive void for Wake Forest.

Ervin Murray's long 3-point attempt to send the game into a second overtime at the buzzer hit off the front of the rim.

It appeared Okulaja had won his second game for the Tar Heels in a four-day span with a three-pointer — this one with 34 seconds left in

regulation to give North Carolina a 58-55 lead.

But after the teams traded free throws, O'Kelley's sixth 3-pointer of the game with 3.4 seconds left sent the game into an extra five-minute period.

Ed Cota had a chance to win it in regulation, but threw up an airball from the baseline as time expired.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Raise in strike zone raises umpires' tempers

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Baseball's plan to raise the strike zone has raised the ire of umpires, too.

Last Friday, a memo was sent to all 30 major league teams,

telling them the official definition of the strike zone "will be more strictly enforced" by umpires this year.

The note came from Sandy Alderson, the new executive director of baseball operations and part of the restructured

commissioner's office under Bud Selig.

The move appears designed to get umpires to call higher strikes. In recent years, umpires rarely called any pitch above the belt a strike.

But umpires union head Richie

Phillips said his people were left out of the decision.

"Neither the umpires or the umpires association were consulted on this issue," Phillips said.

"I don't see how anyone could say we're going to more strictly

enforce a rule," he said. "The umpires enforce all of the rules. That's been their job for more than 100 years. It is deplorable for the commissioner's office to indicate that the umpires have not strictly enforced all of the rules."

In a rarity, the players association backed owners, for the most part.

"There never has been a good reason for why players should have to adjust to 32 different strike zones, so some effort to make the strike zone more uniform is to be welcomed," said Gene Orza, the No. 2 official of the players union.

"On the other hand, asking the umpires to undertake right away a wholesale change in the way they do their business could upset the tempo of the game. What's required here is the right mix of determination and patience."

The existence of the memo, which was sent to teams Friday, was first reported Monday by the Los Angeles Times, and a copy of the memo was obtained by The Associated Press.

"This is to inform you that, at the direction of commissioner Selig, and after consultation with the league presidents, the 'strike zone' as defined in the official playing rules will be more strictly enforced in 1999 by umpires in both leagues," Alderson wrote to teams.

In the memo, which was sent to all managers and general managers, Alderson said that while the top of the strike zone is difficult to define, "the upper limit of the strike zone will extend two inches above the top of the uniform pants."

Criticism of differing strike zones escalated during the 1997 NL playoffs when a wide strike zone by Eric Gregg led to a 15-strikeout game by Florida's Livan Hernandez against Atlanta.

AL umpires were criticized for several blown calls during last year's playoffs, one of the reasons Selig is trying to shift responsibility over umpires away from the leagues to Alderson.

"The strike zone is the strike zone," Phillips said. "Is there a different strike zone in the American League and National League? Definitely not. Some of them may see it different, but the strike zone is the strike zone."

The umpires' labor agreement expires after this season, and a confrontation between owners and umpires is expected. Umpires have been demanding more backing since 1996, when Roberto Alomar, then of the Baltimore Orioles, spit at umpire John Hirschbeck and was suspended for only five games.

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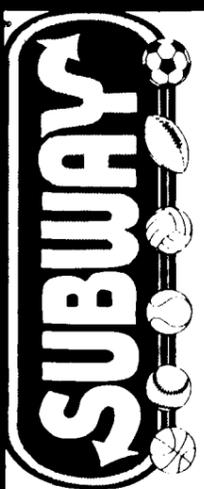


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BOXING

Ali packs punch with plans for first pro fight

Associated Press
LOS ANGELES
She has yet to throw a professional punch. She doesn't have a promoter. She has no proven

skills.
And yet, she is drawing attention in the fledgling world of women's boxing because of her last name: Ali.
Laila Ali, the second-youngest

of Muhammad Ali's nine children and his youngest daughter, is working out daily and might be ready for her first pro fight this summer.
The 21-year-old approached

her father late last month to inform him she planned to follow in his footsteps.

"Well, Daddy," she said, according to The New York Times, "I want to tell you I'm going into professional boxing, and I love you, and I want your support, and I want to tell you that even if I don't have your support, I'm going to do it anyway."

That's probably something Ali might have said before he began his brilliant career as Cassius Clay in the late 1950s.

The 57-year-old former heavyweight champion who is weakened by Parkinson's Syndrome, at least in part because of boxing, told his daughter he didn't want her to get hurt.

"Daddy, I'm not going to get hurt," she replied. "I'm going to be fighting women, not men. And I have your genetics."

So far, the 5-foot-10, 160-pounder has only sparred with her trainer, Kevin Morgan.

"She's very much like her dad, she's aggressive, very sure of herself, very confident," NormaLynn Cutler, Laila's publicist, told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "She also has an offbeat sense of humor like her father."

"She's extremely charming, and if I had to use one word, I'd say focused or determined, one word or the other."

Cutler said Laila will probably fight for the first time in August and is getting tips from her famed father.

"She won't tell anyone, including me, what they are," Cutler

said. "She says, 'When I have the greatest boxer of all time as my mentor, why would I want to share the secrets he's given me?'"

Cutler said she's known Laila for about three years.

"She was working in the beauty industry and I happened to use her services," Cutler said. "She believes she's going to be a champion and change the face of female boxing."

"For one thing, she is extremely beautiful, not that there aren't beautiful boxers."

Laila never saw her father box in person, and told the Times she had few memories of living with him. But by boxing, she believes he will gain a greater appreciation for her as his child.

"He's naturally going to see himself in me," said Laila, who with her sister, Hanan, grew up in Malibu with her mother, Veronica, who was Ali's third wife. "But for the first time, I think he actually can see that 'this is my child.'"

Lonnie Ali, Ali's current wife, told the Times her husband had no comment on Laila's career choice.

"Don't read anything into that," Lonnie Ali said. "This is something Laila wants to do. It has nothing to do with Muhammad."

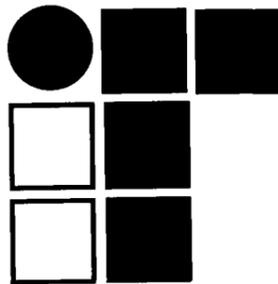
Laila said that while her father was alarmed about her direction, he was still on her side.

"He told me that it was a dirty business," she said. "He let me know it's a hard business, and he let me know that he supported me."

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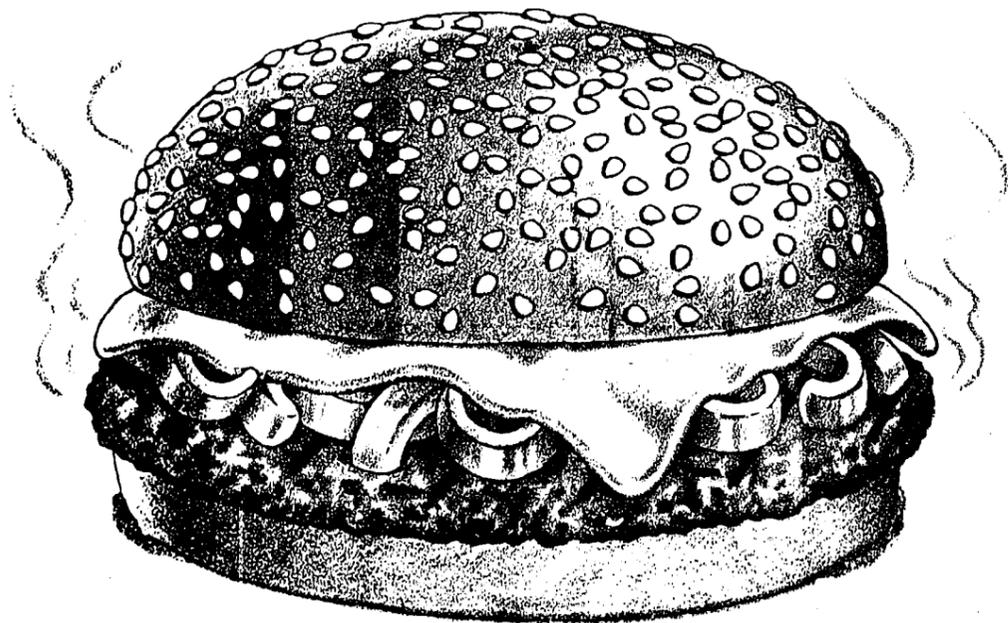
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Miami would be for the remainder of the game.

"Today we were trying to work on being more patient with the ball," Ivey said. "Reading the defense [is] a key thing for us. If we can do that, we execute really well."

Shutting down the Miami offense was equally important for the Irish. After playing the Hurricanes to a near standoff through eight minutes of the first half, Notre Dame stepped up its defensive intensity and began to

dominate its overmatched opponent.

Notre Dame's tenacious half-court defense disrupted the flow of the Miami attack. Following consecutive baskets by Green, Riley and guard Ericka Haney, the Irish forced a Miami shot-clock violation. A 6-0 Notre Dame run became a 15-0 tear that left the Hurricanes reeling.

Miami sophomore Camilla Osth, however, kept the Hurricanes within striking distance by hitting a three-point bomb with two seconds remaining in the first half.

"This is the best 32 minutes of basketball that we've played since November," said head coach Muffet McGraw of her

squad's performance in the first half and throughout much of the second. "I thought that we were sharp. We didn't turn the ball over, we rebounded well, we executed well and we shot the ball well."

The Irish led by as many as 38 down the stretch. Despite a Hurricane run that cut Miami's

deficit to 21 points, Notre Dame never appeared vulnerable.

Riley added 17 points, 10 rebounds and five blocked shots to complete the team effort.

"I thought Niele, Sheila and Ruth, all three of them, just played a great game," McGraw added. "I think those three are definitely ready for [the] tourna-

ment."

Notre Dame's 14-3 conference record secures the Irish the third seed and a first-round bye in the Big East tournament, which begins Saturday at Rutgers.

The Irish will take on the winner of the No. 6 vs. No. 11 game as they make their postseason debut Sunday.

■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

McMillen, Haney earn Big East honors

Special to the Observer

Senior guard Sheila McMillen and freshman forward/guard Ericka Haney helped Notre Dame earn a sweep in the Big East weekly awards as the two were honored for their contributions last week in wins over Syracuse and West Virginia.

For the first time in her career, McMillen was honored as the league's co-player-of-the-week as she shared the honor with Miami's Kym Hope. Haney shared co-rookie-of-the-week accolades with Boston College's Becky Gottstein.

McMillen averaged 22.5 points and 4.5 rebounds last week while reaching two Irish milestones. In an 82-60 win over Syracuse, she finished with 20 points and tied her career-best with eight rebounds. McMillen, who has 80 three-pointers on the season, hit six three-pointers in the game to break the single-season Notre Dame three-point

record. She then hit five treys in the win at West Virginia to tie the career mark of 231 and finish with a game-high 25 points.

McMillen, who now holds or shares three school records, is seventh on the school's all-time scoring list with 1,356 points. She currently is the team's second-leading scorer averaging 15.7 points per game.

Haney was selected for weekly rookie honors for the first time this season as she averaged 13.0 points and 6.0 rebounds off the bench in Notre Dame's two conference victories last week. Against the Orangewomen, she scored 12 points and grabbed seven rebounds, and then contributed 14 points, five rebounds and three steals in the win at West Virginia. Haney, who averages 6.4 points and 4.3 rebounds, has scored in double figures in four games this season.



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■ NFL

Philadelphia eager to draft Williams

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA Heisman Trophy winner Ricky Williams said Tuesday night that he wants to play in a city that wants him. Philadelphia ought to fit that requirement quite nicely.

Mayor Edward G. Rendell said interest in Williams has eclipsed all other issues on the minds of the citizens he meets. He said people no longer ask him about tax cuts, the upcoming election, or other issues mayors usually face.

"The only question I've gotten from the people of the city of Philadelphia for the last six weeks is, 'Are we going to draft Ricky Williams?'" Rendell said during Tuesday night's banquet held by the Maxwell Football Club.

That went along with what Williams said just minutes earlier.

"I want to go somewhere where they're excited to have me," Williams said as he spoke briefly to reporters after signing autographs for children before stepping into the banquet hall.

So how does Philadelphia's reaction compare to the reaction elsewhere?

Williams said he doesn't know. He hasn't been to similar events in other cities.

The NCAA record-breaking running back from Texas could return to Philadelphia in the near future, since the Eagles hold the No. 2 pick in the upcoming NFL draft.

"He just wants to play football," said Sandy Williams, the player's mother, accepting the Maxwell Award for college player of the year on his behalf. "Ricky can adapt to any situation."

Earlier Tuesday, Randall Cunningham spoke as the club honored him as pro football player of the year, giving him the Bert Bell Award for the third time. He led the Minnesota Vikings to a 15-1 regular season while throwing 34 touchdown passes.

"In the past I didn't really appreciate when I received an award," Cunningham said during a midday press conference. "I was young and immature and took it for granted. But this is a great honor. I've grown and now have the maturity to accept it and know what it's all about."

Cunningham, 35, who previously won the Bert Bell in 1988 and 1990, joined Baltimore Colts quarterback Johnny Unitas as the only three-time winners of the award. He said returning to Philadelphia, where he spent his first 11 seasons, made it special.

Among the other award winners cited by the Maxwell Club were Texas A&M linebacker Dat Nguyen, who won the Chuck Bednarik Award as defensive player of the year; Tennessee's Phil Fuller, who guided the Vols to a perfect season and the national championship and was named George Munger college coach of the year.

■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

ND needs victory over St. John's

By ALAN WASIELEWSKI
Sports Writer

It is now or never for the Notre Dame men's basketball team.

Its game tonight against the St. John's Red Storm is the test of the season.

It's a test to see whether the hard work over the season will be rewarded with a post-season appearance. It's a test to see if the team can rise up to the level of a top-10 program, at least for a night. It's a test to see just what this team has inside.

"We have a great group of kids," is a favorite quote of head coach John MacLeod. He has a lot of evidence to back up his assertion.

Sunday, fifth-year senior Paul Rainey won a game at the free-throw line after hitting just one attempt his entire career at Notre Dame. Freshmen Troy Murphy, David Graves and Harold Swanagan are picking up their production when many other freshmen around the country are succumbing to the pressure.

Seniors Antoni Wyche and Phil Hickey have played their hearts out in every game. Sophomore Martin Ingelsby limped into the game against West Virginia on a badly sprained ankle to play as many minutes as his injury allowed.

The personal stories are not the only drama of the season.

The team has endured heartbreak and bounced back every time.

The embarrassing Alaska Shoot-out performance was followed by taking Indiana to overtime before losing, then

running off five straight victories. Two blow-outs administered by Villanova were followed by a win the next game.

This team has character, but just how much will be determined at Madison Square Garden at 8 p.m. tonight.

"Everything goes into preparation for St. John's now," MacLeod said after the dramatic win against West Virginia, showing just how important this game is.

For the NIT to notice the Irish, they have to rise above their 8th place showing in the Big East and the two games remaining on the schedule are must-wins.

Beating a highly-ranked, NCAA-tournament-bound opponent like the Red Storm would also help make the postseason dream a reality.

St. John's has five players averaging in double digit scoring. Its 82 points per game will put pressure on an Irish defense that has trouble stopping its opponents from scoring.

Another hurdle for the Irish is that they average 18 turnovers per game. Teams have been pressuring the ball all season and Notre Dame has not responded. The injury to Ingelsby, leaving his status in jeopardy tonight, makes this an even more precarious dilemma.

It will take a team effort, the kind that Notre Dame has flashed throughout the season, to take down the Red Storm. All five Irish starters will have their hands full on defense.

Guard Marvis Thorton is the leading scorer at 15 points per game, swingman Ron Artest gets 14 points per game and

Erik Barkley, Lavor Postell, and Tyrone Grant all average 12 points per game.

Barkley might be the biggest thorn in the side of the Irish tonight. The freshman averages over two steals a game and will certainly be pressuring the Notre Dame guards. The Irish get Jimmy Dillon back from his "conduct unbecoming a Notre Dame basketball player" suspension to add much-needed depth at the point.

Another aspect to keep an eye on tonight is Notre Dame's Troy Murphy. The freshman is setting a new standard for Big East newcomers, but hasn't stepped up against ranked opponents as he would have liked.

Syracuse held him to 18 points total in two contests and forced the ball out of his hands. If Murphy can make a statement against the Red Storm, he might be able to break the all-time Big East freshman scoring mark for a season set by Allen Iverson. Murphy now trails Iverson 19.2 to 19.8 points per game.

Madison Square Garden has been good to the Irish over the years, especially against St. John's. Notre Dame is 3-1 against the Red Storm in the hallowed basketball site, including the 73-65 win last season. St. John's also might not be keyed up for the game; its NCAA appearance is assured as well as its Big East tournament seed.

The Irish will need the upset if they want to continue playing in 1999 and possibly return to Madison Square Garden for the NIT championship.

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BENGAL BOUTS

■ 150-POUND TO 163-POUND

Murphy-Nowak fight highlights semifinals

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Sports Editor

In an opening-round match, a boxer wants nothing more than to work out nervous energy and get a couple of solid rounds under his belt.

"You hope for a little bit more ring-time," junior captain J.R. Mellin said about his quick fight.

With few of the top seeds getting a full fight under their belts, endurance might be a factor in tonight's semifinal matches.

From the 150-pound to the 163-pound division, only one of the top seeds got a full fight under his belt, senior Mike LaDuke at the 160-pound division.

Top-seeded Mellin did not get a full round in his opening fight, which he sees as a disadvantage since his opponent Matt Lynn comes in with a hard fought win.

"He has worked real hard," Mellin said about Lynn. "He was down there [in the boxing room] an awful lot. He is a technical boxer who throws good, straight punches. You can either go head-to-head with that or try to throw in a little flavor."

Senior Kevin Buccellato will try to fend off the freshman sensation Edward Hernandez at the bottom half of the bracket. Hernandez's various tricks and quick hands could prove tough for Buccellato.

Senior captain Dave Murphy will advance to the finals by

virtue of a walkover in the 155-pound division. Murphy's opponent, freshman Nick Rubino, injured his jaw and will be unable to compete.

On the other end of the bracket, senior Tom Cronley and junior Steve Locher will spar off in what Cronley believes will be a technical fight.

"I guess it will be the same stand-up style," Cronley said. "It will come down to whoever executes better."

Knowing that his and Locher's styles are quite similar, Cronley is taking his opponent seriously. While Cronley will have the height advantage, he will not rest on his laurels.

"We sparred a couple of times, once this year and in years past," Cronley said. "When we sparred, it was anybody's game."

The 163-pound division semifinal matches should reveal more than the opening rounds did as three of the four fights did not go the distance. Top-seeded Kevin Murphy's fight could turn into a brawl like what his opponent, Sean Nowak, saw in quarterfinal action.

"The guy I'm fighting throws a lot of power too," Murphy said. "It will either be a brawl or one of us will settle down and box. Whoever is smart enough to actually box will probably win."

Second-seeded Travis Alexander went three rounds with Chris Uhart and advanced by unanimous decision while his semifinal opponent, Billy



The Observer/Jeff Hsu

Matt Lynn earned a split-decision victory over John Tabis in Monday's 150-pound quarterfinal to earn a spot in tonight's semifinals. Lynn will face top seed J.R. Mellin for a chance at the finals.

McMurtrie, won early. McMurtrie should come out fast and play aggressively once he sees an opening.

The 160-pound division top seed, Mike LaDuke is scheduled to face Dan Saracino, who may have injured his shoulder. If rumors of his injury prove positive, he will be unable to com-

pete in tonight's fights.

In what could be one of the more interesting matches of the evening, Joshua Kirley is set to face Juan Santucci. Look for Santucci to enter the semifinal match still riding the high from his upset victory over Jeff Dobosh.

Kirley will enter the fight

determined to prove that his unanimous decision over Miguel Tapia wasn't a joke.

Nothing is certain for tonight's fights. Some fighters have yet to show their full capabilities. With the nervous energy worn off and the field narrowed, a majority of the matches should go the full three rounds.

■ 185-POUND TO HEAVYWEIGHT

Gaffney and Romanchek expect tough challenges

KEVIN THOMPSON
Sports Writer

Hold on to your seats because we have a real fight on our hands.

What looked to be a cakewalk for top seeds Brian "The Nutty Irishman" Gaffney and Mike "El Pescador" Romanchek has turned into a battle.

After Monday nights' bouts, underdogs Ben "Buster" Johnson and Corey "I'll Make Your Face Look Like Mine" Clay have turned into legitimate contenders for the 185-pound division crown.

Johnson looked strong in the opener, eliminating Josh Nelson by a unanimous decision. If Johnson hopes to defeat Gaffney, he must follow his game plan and avoid the same trap Gaffney's first-round opponent, John Norton, fell into.

"He came out too fast and tried to take it to him," Johnson said.

"I have to concentrate on me. Use my strengths to my advantage."

Johnson will need to utilize his long reach and quickness against the tenacious Gaffney. Gaffney will need to maintain his first-round form.

"I need to duplicate my first-round performance," Gaffney said. "I cannot get too impatient. I just need to execute."

Monday night, Clay showed he was for real, making quick work of James Qualters in 23 seconds. Clay raised a few eyebrows in the opening round, including Romanchek's, his opponent tonight.

"He is a tough fighter," Romanchek said. "We are both very similar, however: similar height, size. I will need to stick and move and stick to my game plan."

While most experts look for a Gaffney-Romanchek final, Romanchek is adamant about

not looking too far ahead.

"If I don't concentrate on this fight, I have no chance at the final. You need to be in the semifinal before you can be in the final," Romanchek said.

Look for these fights to go down to the wire.

The 190-pound division throws an unknown into the field. Third-seeded Mike "It Hurts More Than It Feels Good" Velten won in a walkover Monday night. The tenacious Adam "Monsoon" June will test the off-campus senior in tonight's semifinal.

"I'm not familiar with Velten's style," June said. "I am gonna go out, set the pace, feel things out and go from there."

In the other 190-pound matchup, Dave "The Tank" Sherk will battle Dave "Bell-Vegas" Butz. Butz breezed through the quarterfinals with a Referee Stopped Contest decision, while Sherk battled to a unanimous victory. Look for this one to go the distance with two evenly matched fighters.

Tonight will feature a boxer in the 195-pound division making his 1999 debut. An eager Pete "Beat the Rap" Ryan will square off against the auspicious Chris "Lucky" Luechtefeld. Luechtefeld defeated Zach Schueller shortly into the second round, but his capabilities are still unknown.

"He didn't really get much leather thrown at him in his first fight," Ryan said. "It wasn't a

FIGHTS TO WATCH

KEVIN MURPHY
VS.
SEAN NOWAK

PAUL CHEN
VS.
MARK CRINITI



BRIAN HOBBS
VS.
TRENT SANDIFUR

PETE RYAN
VS.
CHRIS LUECHTEFELD

real test for him. It should be really interesting. You can obviously tell a lot more about a fighter when he is actually throwing back at you."

The 195-pound division also pits two battle-tested fighters. Alex Kent and Jason "J-Rod" Rodriguez provided much of Monday night's entertainment with two three-round decisions. Expect this one to go three rounds.

The heavyweights provide varied approaches. First there is the crushing, brutal, aggressive attack of John "The Pitbull" Salvino. On Monday night, he lived up to his nickname. Salvino delivered a devastating right

hook to Sean Donnelly, stopping the fight early in the first round. Tonight, the powerful Salvino will face off against the calculating maneuvers of Michael "The Bishop" Romero.

The other heavyweight matchup features two fighters cut of different molds. Greg "Rain Man" Yatarola scored an impressive victory Monday night over Pat Downes. Utilizing his short, compact, powerful stance, Yatarola won in a unanimous decision.

Andy "Big Cat" Riederer will need to counter with a long reach, getting full extension in his arms in order to keep the "Rain Man" at bay.

BENGAL BOUTS

SEMIFINALS
TONIGHT AT 7 P.M.
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BENGAL BOUTS

165-POUND TO 180-POUND

Favorites start getting serious

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

With the quarterfinals behind them, boxers in tonight's semifinal round of the Bengal Bouts are looking to get serious.

As the field of competitors narrows to just four in each division, tonight's match-ups promise a display of talent and rivalry. The first and second seeds in each division advanced Monday night and will be tough contenders for the less-seasoned challengers.

In the 165 division, heavy favorites Tom Biolchini and Don Penn hope to dispose of their opponents and set up a match-up in Friday's finals. Biolchini faces junior Joe Kippels while Penn takes on Tony Polcari.

Kippels and Polcari could present the top seeds with a serious challenge, both winning upset victories in their quarterfinal matches.

Biolchini was disappointed with his opening round performance against Doug Bartles and hopes to improve for tonight's match.

"I'm going to have to be more aggressive from the start," Biolchini said. "I should have attacked [Bartles] more and thrown straighter punches."

Penn, who lived up to his nickname of "the Destroyer" by taking only 48 seconds to gain a first-round victory, and Polcari have sparred before so both competitors know what to expect.

"I was a little disappointed when I sparred [Polcari]," said Penn. "I'm going to have to stay focused and try to move in and out real quick."

Polcari earned a spot in the semifinals with a split decision in a fairly evenly fought match.

"[Penn's] pretty aggressive and throws really hard punches," said Polcari. "I'm just going to get in there and take it one step at a time."

The 170-pound division pits veteran boxer and top seed Alex Kerrigan against a relatively inexperienced freshman Paul Peterson. Kerrigan fought in control and dominated the ring during his unanimous victory Monday night and could be hard for Peterson to handle.

"The few jabs I did throw landed," said Kerrigan. "I think I scored a lot of points with those hits."

No. 2 seed Tom Dehmer, who earned a split decision victory in the quarterfinals, will face upset winner Mike Hammes. Putting No. 3 seed Brian Nestor on the defensive right away, Hammes' unanimous decision proved the junior to be an aggressive boxer. He could be tough competition for Dehmer.

No. 1 seed Brian Hobbins in the 175-pound division easily advanced to the semifinals and will face Trent Sandifur in the ring tonight. Sandifur could pose a threat to the top seed, as he dominated his quarterfinal bout, knocking down and causing two standing-eight counts for Michael Wilson before the

match was called one minute and one second into the first round.

Hobbins plans to work on his footwork and defensive strategy to get ready for tonight's contest. Second-seeded Steve Pfeiffer will meet challenger Ben Dillon in the ring to try to advance to the finals.

Pfeiffer's unanimous victory showed a controlled but aggressive boxer that will be a serious challenge for the freshman Dillon, who earned a spot in the semifinals by a split decision victory.

The 180-pound division has two seasoned boxers, Josh Thompson and Paul Chen at the No. 1 and No. 2 spots, respectively.

Both top seeds dominated their fights and could provide a competitive final-round match-up. First, however, they must get past Willie Kent and Mark Criniti in the semifinals.

Thompson's strong left jabs and control of the ring in the quarterfinals caused trouble for challenger Tom Cullen and could do the same for Kent.

Chen promises to be a difficult challenge for freshman Criniti. Chen's unanimous decision followed a skilled and controlled attack by the senior boxer.

While the top seeds in tonight's semifinal round have experience and technique in their respective corners, strong challengers could present them with tough matches during tonight's contests.



The Observer/Jeff Hsu
Sophomore Chris Muro was floored by Don "Juan the Destroyer" Penn Monday night. Penn is looking to gain a second victory tonight.

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made it there last year and got beat pretty bad. This year I'm looking to turn it around. I'm not overconfident, but I'm not pessimistic either."

On the other side of the bracket, Dan "Too Short" Gallegos will have to contend with the upstart Charles "The Montana Mauler" Madden, who powered his way into the semifinals with an upset victory over Camilo Rueda in the quarterfinals. Madden's aggressive approach should make for an interesting match-up with the quick Gallegos.

"I think I've got a chance to win," Madden said. "But I've never seen [Gallegos] fight. [On Monday,] I had trouble getting my jab in, but in this fight I have a distinct reach advantage, so I'll keep working on that."

No matter what the bout brings, however, Madden is enjoying the experience.

"I hope we have either the same size crowd or bigger because it's really fun to be in the ring when everyone's screaming. It's a completely different experience from sparring," he said.

The premier fight in the first three divisions may be the first bout between 145-pounders Tommy "Go Ahead And Sign Your" Will and Jim "The

Unloader" Shacklett.

Shacklett unloaded a flurry of jabs to outlast Anton Kempis in the quarterfinals, a bout that Will watched very closely.

"The fight after mine was tough," Will said. "Both of those guys looked very strong, and I'll have to be at my best [tonight]."

Will breezed through the first round with a unanimous decision, but a return trip to the finals will require a strong effort by the senior captain.

In the other 145-pound bout, law student Phil "The Drill" Castrogiovanni squares off against Mike "The Roof, The Roof, The Roof is on Fire" Maguire. Castrogiovanni managed a split decision victory over Daniel Gonzalez, drilling the freshman with a powerful uppercut and drawing two standing-eight counts during the fight. Maguire had an easier time in his quarterfinal bout, earning a unanimous decision over Marc "The Grand Inquisitor" Tubay.

"I'd like to come out more aggressive," said Maguire. "It was tough because [Tubay] was a lefty and so everything was opposite."

"Each fight I want to get better and better. I just want to stay within my game plan and throw straight punches."

A trip to the finals holds an added incentive for Maguire, who could possibly face his friend and fellow officer Will.

"It's an added motivation for me to be Tommy's last fight," Maguire said. "I want to be the one in the ring for his last fight. So it's not a matter of looking ahead for me, just an added motivation, not a hindrance."



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Sophomore Zach Fulton congratulated senior Tommy Will after Monday's 135-pound quarterfinal round.



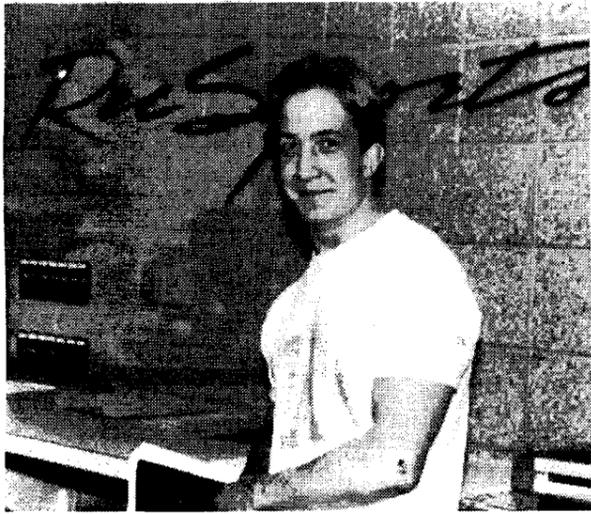
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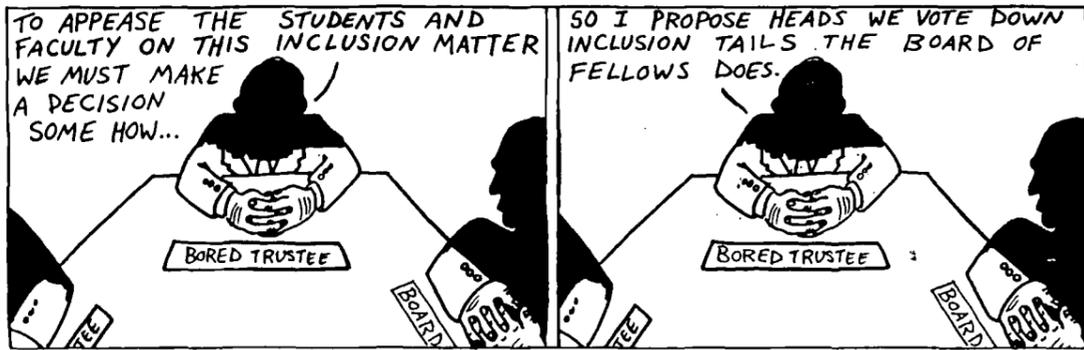
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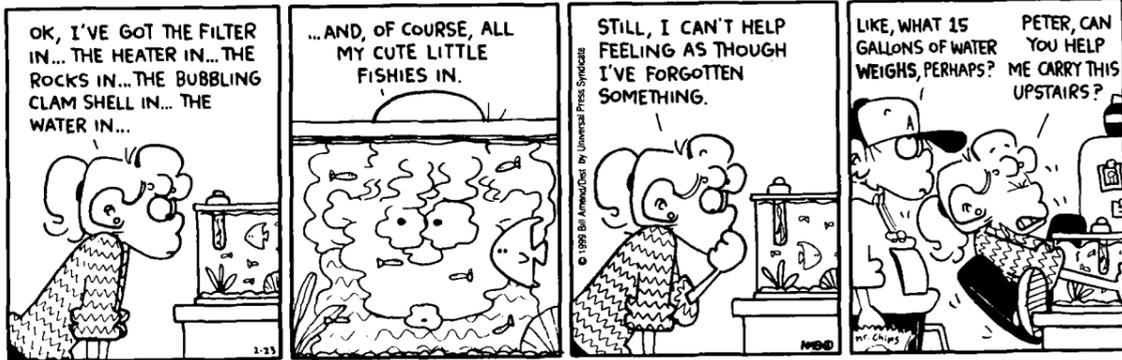
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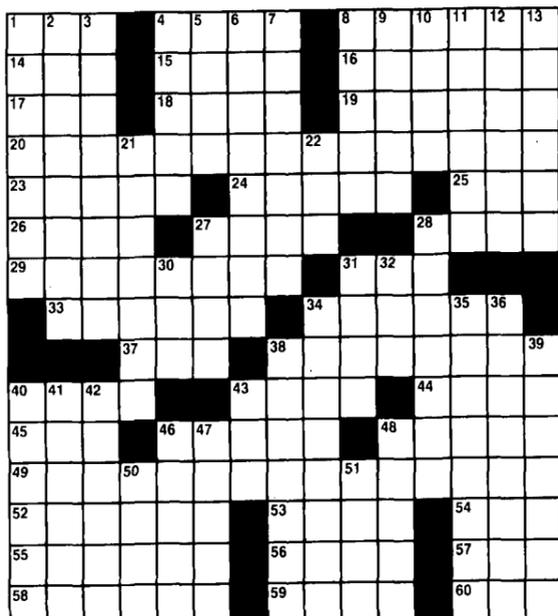
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- 1 Some fathers: Abbr.
 - 4 Winter Palace ruler
 - 8 Big name in hotels
 - 14 Private eye, for short
 - 15 \$75/night, e.g.
 - 16 Microscopic creature
 - 17 Like: Suffix
 - 18 Picnic raiders
 - 19 Maritime hazard in W.W. II
 - 20 Richard Benjamin's film debut, 1969
 - 23 Stubborn beasts
 - 24 Hospital cry
 - 25 Enzyme ending
 - 26 ———Israeli relations
 - 27 Dangerous date for Caesar
 - 28 Ripening agent
 - 29 Vamoosed
 - 31 E.M.T.'s procedure
 - 33 With 34-Across, 1996 action film sequel
 - 34 See 33-Across
 - 37 "Rubber Soul," "Revolver" and others
 - 38 Only so far
 - 40 Apple or pear
 - 43 Disavow
 - 44 "Leave ——— Beaver"
 - 45 Article in Arles
 - 46 Quake locale
 - 48 Tempestuous spirit?
 - 49 Cage/Shue picture of 1995
 - 52 Clapboards, e.g.
 - 53 Locale
 - 54 Inits. in long distance
 - 55 Beloved of Aphrodite
 - 56 ——— about (approximately)
 - 57 New: Prefix
 - 58 Least cooked
 - 59 Politician
 - 60 "Don't give up!"
- DOWN**
- 1 Marks of shame
 - 2 Backup help
 - 3 Academic types
 - 4 Shore dinner entree
 - 5 Off-the-wall
 - 6 One who shows up
 - 7 Saved
 - 8 Carries
 - 9 Permeate
 - 10 Weaver's apparatus
 - 11 It may land in hot water
 - 12 Hardly brainy
 - 13 Sadat's predecessor
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Puzzle by Jeremy Thomas Paine

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Paul Jones, Helen Shaver, Paula Zahn, Jenny O'Hara, Barry Bostwick, Abe Vigoda, Edward James Olmos

Happy Birthday: Take your time and think things through. If you jump too quickly this year, you'll have regrets. Don't rely on others to do things for you. You are the master of your own life, so take care of your own interests first. This is not the time to take unnecessary risks, so don't let anyone lead you astray. Think for yourself and look out for your best interests. Your numbers: 1, 8, 12, 28, 34, 42

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Romantic encounters will unfold if you go out with friends. You'll be in a talkative mood. It will be easy to write letters. It will be a good day to get your point across. ○○○○

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You will have no problem with financial dealings. It is best to try to finalize deals and sign on the dotted line. You can make career moves and can work well with your colleagues. ○○○

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Investments may not be in your best interests. There appears to be someone around you who may try to take you for granted. Look into joining a club that offers individual sports. ○○○

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Make those changes to your home. A move, or possibly just changing things around, will lift your spirits. Expect people to drop by to see you at home or at work. ○○○

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make plans to get together with friends or at least phone them to catch up on all the latest happenings in their lives. Talk about commitments with the one you love. This could lead to

matrimony. ○○○○

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Disruptions may cause you to stop what you are working on. Make arrangements quickly and carry on with your job. Problems with co-workers indicate that you should not rely on others. ○○

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will have no problem influencing others when it comes to your beliefs and opinions. Put some effort into self-improvement. You will have a tendency to be overindulgent. ○○○○

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will have to be well-organized today. Learn to delegate less important duties to those around you. You have a knack for taking on too much and then getting frazzled trying to do it all. ○○○

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can make new friends and meet an individual who could possibly become an important partner in the future. Doing things with children is favorable today. ○○○

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will find that those you least expect will rally around to aid you in achieving your goals. Don't forget to show your gratitude if you wish them to offer assistance again. ○○○

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Pregnancies are likely if you don't take precautions. Do things that involve physical activity. Shopping sprees will be a learning experience. Don't buy things you don't really want. ○○○○

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone you work with cannot be trusted. Don't be so open about your personal life or your feelings about co-workers. Changing your professional direction is not a bad idea. ○○

Birthday Baby: You are a dreamer and a drifter. You need to stay focused on the things that you do best in order to reach the success that you desire. The more you learn, the better you'll do. Your creative ability must be developed in order for you to take advantage of it.

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Wednesday, February 24, 1999

■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

McMillen sets new career three-point record

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Managing Editor

Senior Sheila McMillen scored 18 points and broke the all-time Notre Dame record for most career three-point field goals as the 10th-ranked Irish finished their regular season with an impressive 89-62 drubbing of Miami at the Joyce Center Tuesday night.

McMillen, who entered the game tied with Beth Morgan at 231 three-pointers, wasted no time hitting the record-clinching shot. Center Ruth Riley tapped the opening jump ball to senior Diana Braendly, who found McMillen advancing toward the right wing.

"That's just a play we run all the time," McMillen said. "I found myself wide open."

McMillen took the pass from Braendly, dribbled twice, pulled up just outside the three-point arc and hit nothing but net, bringing the home crowd of more than 3,000 fans to its feet just six seconds into

the contest.

"It was nice to get it out of the way," McMillen said. "I think it would have been harder to do if I had missed my first four shots."

Despite McMillen's heroic senior night, junior Niele Ivey's court vision and three-point range made the difference for Notre Dame. Ivey shredded the Miami defense, recording a game-high 19 points and seven assists, and hitting five of her six three-point attempts.

Early in the second half, Ivey stole the ball out of mid-air and took it the length of the floor before delivering a nifty, no-look pass to Danielle Green, who laid the ball in and was fouled.

The play extended what had been an 45-27 Notre Dame lead at halftime to a 22-point cushion two minutes into the second period. Miami's Jen Jordan drained a pair of free throws on the ensuing possession, but that was as close as

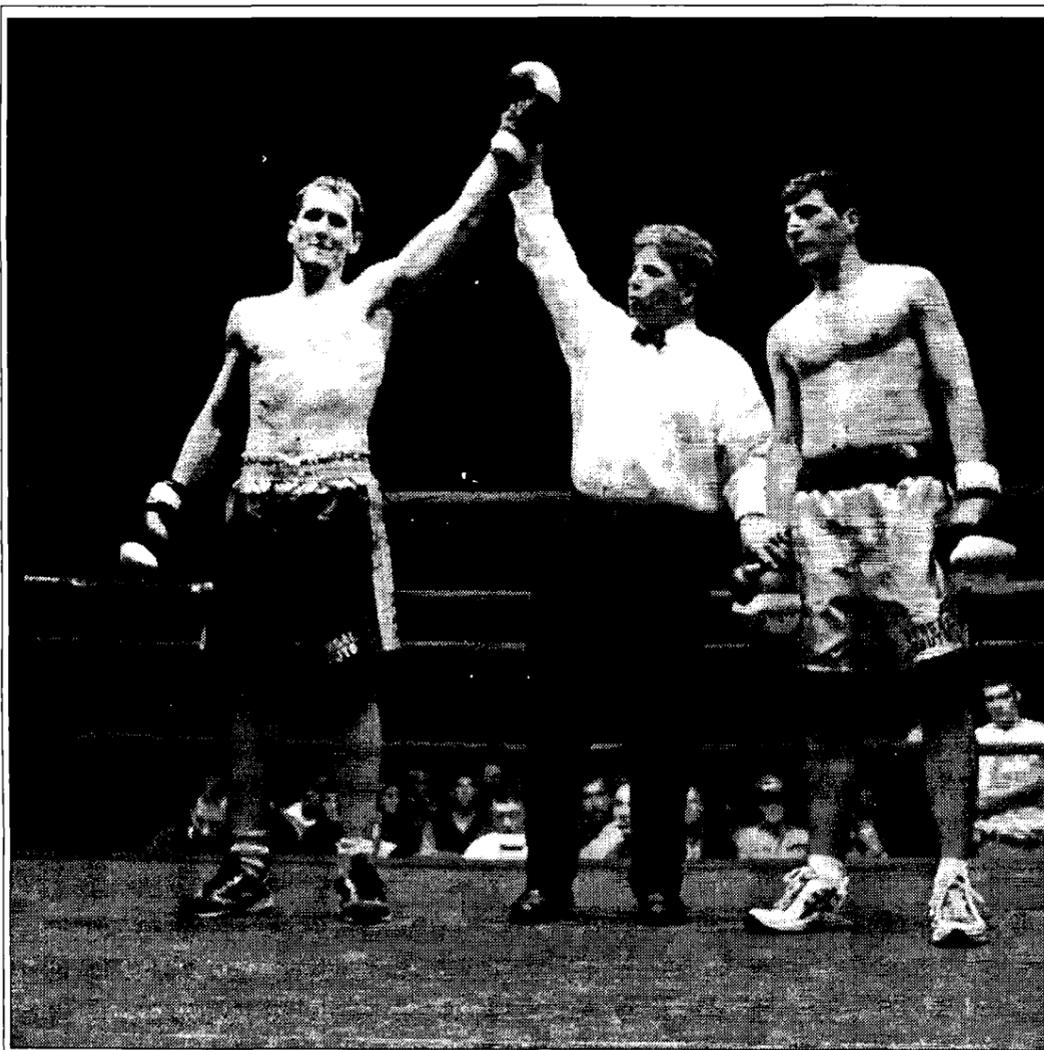


The Observer/Kevin Datum

Center Julie Henderson and the Irish were rarely stopped by the Hurricanes as they cruised to an 89-62 victory in their last home game of the season Tuesday night.

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BENGAL BOUTS



The Observer/Jeff Hsu

Joe Kippels defeated Kurt Kurple in a referee-stopped contest in the 165-pound division of the quarterfinals Monday night. For more Bengal Bouts coverage see page 21.

■ 125-POUND TO 145-POUND

125-pound division set to begin action

By ALLISON KRILLA
Associate Sports Editor

The stakes are rising. You can see it on their faces and hear it in their voices; the boxers in tonight's semifinal rounds can almost taste a trip to Friday's main event.

But they're not there yet.

In the 125-pound division, Jason "Vegas" McMahon faces Marc "There Can Be Only One" Aramini, and Kevin "K.O." Overbeck takes on Rick "Lil' Pun" Holcomb following an off-night for the division that contains only four fighters.

It may have been an easy route into the second round for the 125-pounders, but that means the pressure is on for them to prove themselves in the ring.

"I've been anticipating getting into the ring," Holcomb said. "I feel that I'm physically stronger than my opponent, and watching the fight's on Monday just made me feel more confident."

"[Bengal Bouts] is really the culmination of my work last semester and the six weeks of training," the junior said. "I'm ready to get out there and prove to myself what I'm capable of

doing."

Aramini is also ready to enter the ring.

"I'm a little nervous, but I think I'm just about ready," said Aramini, who faces the top-seeded McMahon during his first time in the ring. "[Watching] the first fight on Monday really scared me, but after that I was able to calm down. I just hope our fight isn't as violent as some of them were."

In the 135-pound division, David "The Prancing Pixie" Seerveld, who earned a unanimous decision victory on Monday, appears primed to return to the finals. But Seerveld will have to contend with the division's other unanimous decision winner, Martin "The Iceman" Garry.

"I sparred David last week and he beat me pretty good, so I'll have to make some adjustments to my style," said Garry. The junior faces a distinct height disadvantage in the semifinal, but is confident of his ability.

"I'm excited to be in the semifinals," Garry said, "although I

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