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George W. Bush won the South Carolina primary Saturday, but his battle with John McCain will continue in Michigan's primary this Tuesday.

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Check out the review of "All's Well That Ends Well," which will be performed this week in Washington Hall by the London Stage Actors.

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Behind the scenes at Notre Dame

Many workers keep Notre Dame plowed, clean and safe

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Assistant News Editor

Who plows the quads at 4 a.m.? Who vacuums the hallways in the dorms? And who keeps the Golden Dome golden?

While it may be easy to recognize the work of professors, researchers, administrators and students on campus, it is often the work of those who keep the campus up and running that goes unnoticed.

The Boiler Operator

After Notre Dame's power plant explosion last year, boiler operator Dave Chodzinski showed up to work "shocked."

"Everything they had put in was brand new," Chodzinski said. "When we got to work the day after it happened, everybody went on the roof to look down into [the plant]."

Although most days aren't that exciting, the South Bend native still enjoys the work. Specifically, Chodzinski is "responsible for shoveling coal into the boilers — keeping them running so they can produce electricity and heating for all buildings on campus."

"It's a prestigious job," he said. "This is a good place to work because they aren't going to pick up the University and move it somewhere else and lay people off — it's stable work."

The power plant runs 365 days a year, with three workers assigned to three rotating shifts. Although all three shifts require the same work, Chodzinski said he prefers the day shift because it gives him more time to spend with his family, which will grow next Friday when he gets married.

"She is not a Notre Dame fan, but I am going to work on converting her," Chodzinski laughed.

In fact, Chodzinski was a Notre Dame fan long before he started working here



JOB TURNER/The Observer

Snow plowers have a tough job keeping up at Notre Dame, but equipment such as the sweeper, plows and radars help. "We've got radar, so as soon as we know it will snow we get all the trucks ready," said Bill Klein, lead groundskeeper.

16 years ago.

"I'll tell you, basketball is better than football these days, especially the women's team — they are great," he said, despite the fact that he can rarely attend the games because of conflicts with his work hours.

Overall, Chodzinski and his co-workers "make the most of it. Everybody here has a pretty good time," he said. "You gotta

have a paycheck."

The Snow Plower

Growing up in Granger, lead groundskeepers Bill Klein has always loved Notre Dame.

"My dad was a Notre Dame fan. I have a daughter who is a senior here now," He said. "This is the ultimate job because it is at a place I love."

During the blustery winter months, Klein can be seen plowing the quads late at night until well into the morning.

"We've got radar, so as soon as we know it will snow we get all the trucks ready," Klein said.

Working on three shifts that operate nearly around the clock, Klein and his

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Engineering prof wins award

Special to The Observer

Steven Schmid, associate professor of aerospace and mechanical engineering at Notre Dame, is one of nine recipients selected to receive the 2000 John T. Parsons Outstanding Young Manufacturing Engineer Award.

The award is conferred each year by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers in recognition of significant achievements and leadership in the field of manufacturing engineering by young engineers. It ranks in stature with the Society's International Honor Award and the Award of Merit. Schmid will receive the award later this year at the North American Manufacturing Research Conference in Lexington, Ky.

A faculty member since 1993, Schmid specializes in

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McBrien will not seek mandate

By ERIN PIROUTEK
Assistant News Editor

The November vote by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops on the implementation of Ex Corde Ecclesiae, which included the requirement that theology professor receive mandates, raised concerns in Catholic theology departments nationwide.

One prominent Notre Dame professor has stated he will not seek such a mandate.

Father Richard McBrien, theol-



McBrien

ogy professor and former department chairman, will not seek a mandate because, he said, it would compromise the institutional autonomy of Catholic universities and colleges. Mandates introduce an external, non-academic agent, the bishop, into the process of determining who can and cannot teach in a Catholic university or college. The implementation guidelines require that theologians at Catholic colleges and universities receive mandates to teach from their local bishops.

The implementation guidelines of Ex Corde, a document which Pope John Paul II originally issued in 1990, were approved by the U.S. Catholic bishops on Nov. 17, 1999. Afterwards, various members of the national press called McBrien for his reaction. He repeatedly stated that he

would not seek a mandate.

Father Thomas Reese, editor-in-chief of "America," a weekly Catholic magazine, asked McBrien to write an article elaborating upon his decision not to request a mandate.

At first he was reluctant to do so, not wanting to call attention to himself. Several theologians, however, advised him that such an article might help individuals make decisions on the mandate issue.

McBrien's article "Why I Shall Not Seek a Mandate" appeared in the Feb. 12 issue of "America."

"I made it clear in the article, however, that my position was not based on defiance but on a concern for the academic integrity of Catholic universities. It is,

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INSIDE COLUMN

A History Lesson

I'll be the first to admit I was skeptical. When my friend Trip told me he was going to invite History to dinner I just laughed. Why would a legend want to dine with a group of students? I was sure he had far more important things to do, universities to build, committees to serve on. I put my chances of sharing a meal with History right up there with my shot at taking in a movie with the Pope.

Kevin Berchou

sports copy editor

Then one day, Trip burst into my room. He asked me if I'd made any plans for the third Thursday in February because he had found a way to take History to dinner.

All it took was a simple call. Ambitious as Trip was, he had phoned History's secretary to see if it would be possible to take the man to dinner. The next day an affirmative reply arrived from his secretary. She said that History didn't normally do this, but in this case he'd make an exception.

So that was how it all happened. On the third Thursday in February, four Sorinites and two lovely ladies from Pangborn frequented the Morris Inn for dinner with one Father Theodore Hesburgh as their distinguished guest.

That's right. I, along with my friends, had the honor of dining with the man many refer to as one of the greatest to have ever lived. His secretary said he had made an exception, but somehow, deep down, I think Father Ted obliges every request he can.

I respectfully refer to Father Ted as History because his life reads like a textbook on that same subject. Name an important event that took place in the latter half of the 20th century and it's likely that Father Ted was involved in some capacity. He has been on countless presidential committees, won well over 100 honorary degrees, and now he was having dinner with a small group of awed freshmen.

The meal was everything I envisioned and more. While we wanted so badly to learn more about him, he took great care to learn more about us. Discontented by knowing only our names, Father Hesburgh made sure he knew where we were from, what our majors were and what we liked best about Notre Dame all before the night ended.

Father Hesburgh had the fish. My friends and I had the time of our lives. He told every last story, candidly spoke of his meetings with the famous and told us what he thought of higher education today. I now know how it was that Father Ted became president, and how he coaxed President Carter into letting him fly in the plane that set the world speed record. I'll never forget those stories, just like I'll never forget that meal.

Throughout our dinner, Father Hesburgh emphasized that Notre Dame was about the students. He noted emphatically that he was always willing to speak with his students, and he said he expected his staff members to follow suit. As I savored my last bite of filet mignon, I realized this man practiced precisely what he preached. Here he was, eating dinner with the students, never once thinking of turning them away.

We walked our distinguished guest back to his library office when our meal concluded. My friends were quick to note how incredible it was that we had just escorted Father Hesburgh back to the building that bore his name. At that moment, I think we all felt that we had become a part of History and that History had become a part of us.

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

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THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
◆ CPR Training: Rolfs Rec Center at 6:30 p.m. Call 1-8662 to register.	◆ Northern Ireland Lecture: Hesburgh Library Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.	◆ Dancing with Different Colors: Hesburgh Library Auditorium, 7 p.m.	◆ All's Well That Ends Well: Washington Hall, 7:30 p.m. Call 1-8128 for \$12 student tickets.
◆ The Art of the Mask: Library Auditorium, 8 p.m.	◆ The Rivals: O'Laughlin Auditorium. Call 284-4626 for tickets.	◆ All's Well That Ends Well: Washington Hall, 7:30 p.m. Call 1-8128 for \$12 student tickets.	◆ Choices in Healing: Michael Lerner, Ph.D. on approaches to cancer at McKenna Hall, 7 p.m.
◆ Eucharistic Adoration: Fisher Hall begins at 11:30 p.m.			

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

U Penn students stage sit-in, withdraw from LFA

PHILADELPHIA
The sleeping bags are rolled up, the colored signs have been moved away and College Hall no longer echoes with the sound of bongo drums.

But although Penn Students Against Sweatshops has left the building, its impact lingers both on campus and across the nation.

After launching the first successful sit-in at Penn in decades, PSAS has managed to attract attention from numerous media organizations from The Philadelphia Daily News to MTV. And members have found support on many other college campuses.

Anti-sweatshop groups at other schools fasted in sympathy with PSAS this week and many are holding similar protests for the cause.

"The Penn sit-in turned up the heat," said Yale Students Against

"We're generally pretty happy with the outcome of the sit-in. We think it's a good first step, but it's definitely not the end."

Roopa Gona
Penn Students Against Sweatshops member

Sweatshops member Amanda Bell, a senior.

The protesters, who had camped out in University President Judith Rodin's office for nine straight days, scored a victory on Monday when the University agreed to pull out of the Fair Labor Association.

"We're generally pretty happy with the outcome of the sit-in," PSAS member and College sophomore Roopa Gona said. "We think

it's a good first step, but it's definitely not the end."

PSAS still hopes to convince the University to join the Worker Rights Consortium, an organization it feels is better able to monitor labor conditions. It hopes to achieve this through the Ad Hoc Committee on Sweatshops, which is looking into the issue and will make a recommendation to Rodin.

College freshman Anna Roberts said the PSAS sit-in helped jumpstart similar demonstrations at other colleges and universities.

"We really feel like Penn had an effect on how fast these other universities reacted," she said.

Although sweatshop protests have occurred at numerous institutions over the past year, this month has seen a resurgence of interest in the issue, especially with regards to factory organizations.

Playboy reveals new college issue

ST. LOUIS, Mo.
The cameras of Playboy magazine will be aimed at Conference USA schools — including Saint Louis University — for the magazine's October issue.

During the magazine's first visit to C-USA, Playboy photographers will spend two days interviewing candidates at 13 schools including Marquette University, DePaul University and the University of Houston.

Candidates for the fall 2000 college pictorial must be at least 18 years old and registered as full- or part-time students at a C-USA university. When Playboy photographers will hit SLU's campus remains unknown.

Executive Vice President James Kimmey said that the University had not been contacted by Playboy prior to its announcement that SLU students will be considered for the pictorial.

"This does not violate any school policy," Kimmey said, adding that no discretionary policies or rules exist against such events.

Vice President for Public Relations Bob Woodruff surmised that as part of its marketing strategy, Playboy contacted media outlets hoping to stir up interest and attention instead of directly contacting C-USA schools.

UNC-Charlotte faces name change

CHARLOTTE, N.C.
Changing the University of North Carolina at Charlotte's name is not going to be easy. According to a press release by Student Body President Mark Lombardi, the only backing he has received concerning the issue is from students.

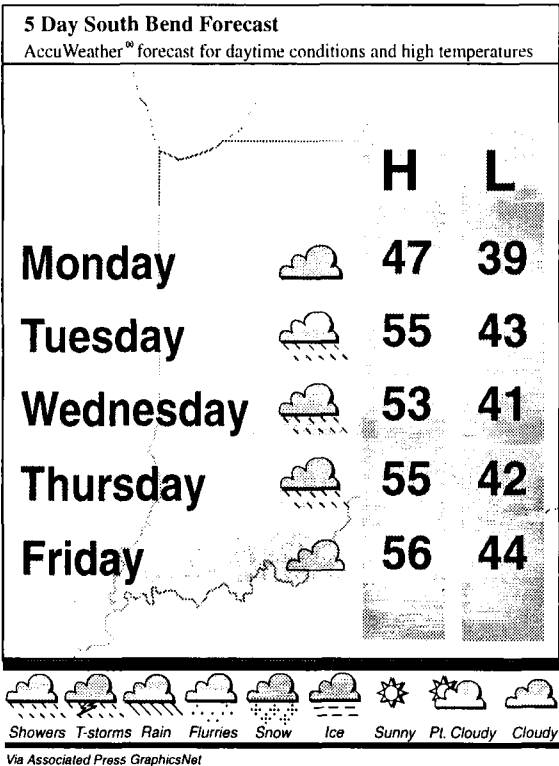
"Currently the only push for a name change will have to be from students. Our administration could not support this change for more political reasons than imaginable," the release stated.

The proposal, put forth by Lombardi and backed by Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity, requests that the University's name be changed from UNC Charlotte to the University of Charlotte.

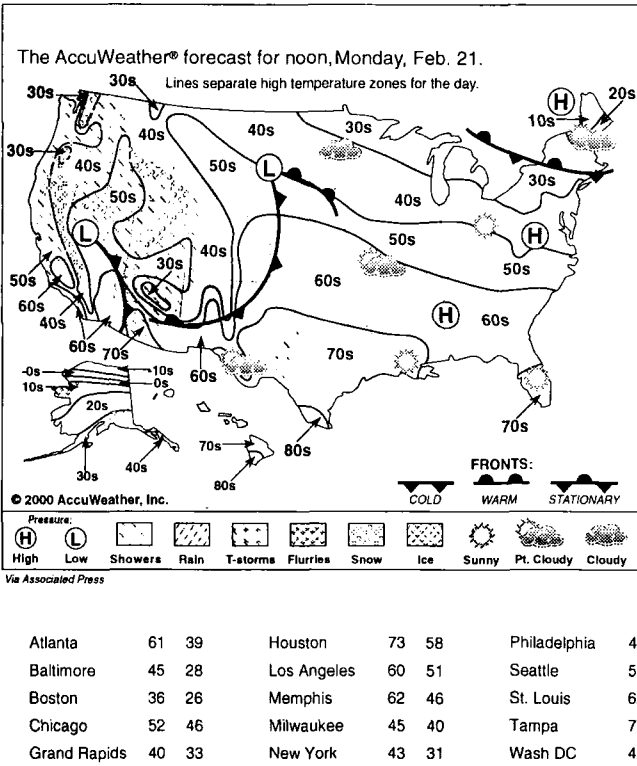
Creating the name change is a "long lengthy and heavily political process," said Jeff Lowrance, assistant director of public relations.

Changing the University's name would take several steps, which could be very expensive. The first step according to Lowrance would be the University administration and Chancellor James Woodward with the backing of faculty, presenting the proposal to the Board of Trustees.

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MUSIC AND POETRY: BLAK KOFFEE HOUSE MAKES SOME NOISE



Orlando Gonzalez (right) reads his original poetry "Just in Case" at Blak Koffee House, a Black Cultural Arts Council of Notre Dame annual event. This year's production, "A Rose is Still a Rose: Our History is Your History," showcased various acts including a trumpet performance of "Summertime" by freshman advisor Mel Tardy. Gail Thompson and Jesse Jerome Travis, both freshmen, were presented Thurgood Marshall scholarships during the event.

photos by ANDY WILSON



School of Architecture announces Millennium Gate contest

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's School of Architecture and the Millennium Gate Foundation have announced a design competition for a monumental entrance to the District of Columbia in celebration of the new millennium.

The competition's requirement for a classical design makes Notre Dame's School of Architecture the logical choice

to cosponsor and administer the Millennium Gate project. The school offers the only fully accredited curriculum in traditional architecture and urbanism in higher education and has been characterized as "the Athens" of the new classicism movement by The New York Times.

The competition, which is open to students and young professionals who have received a degree in architecture and related fields since

1996, will be conducted in two phases.

Entrants first are invited to design a Millennium Gate that reaffirms the central role the nation's capital plays in our civic life while contributing to the classical traditions architect Pierre Charles L'Enfant originally formulated for the city in 1793.

A jury of American and international architects will select a winning design and up to 12 individuals to participate in a charette, or collaboration, which will constitute the project's second stage.

The charette — which will

also involve the offices of Washington, D.C., Mayor Anthony A. Williams, the D.C. City Council and Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes — will produce a final design for a site at Barney Circle in the southeast sector of Washington. The group will also produce designs for two additional potential sites for the Millennium Gate.

After the charette, one or more of the final designs will be selected by a special review panel of the competition's sponsors and public agencies in the district for implementa-

tion. The actual execution of the design will be completed by an associated architectural firm and the ultimate construction of the gate will be done at no cost to the public.

The winning designer will be awarded \$1,500 and each of the other finalists will receive \$1,000 and all expenses required for participation in the charette.

The competition deadline is May 12 and the winners will be announced in Washington during the Memorial Day holiday weekend, May 27-29. The ensuing charette will take place the week of July 2-8.

Notre Dame Film, Television and Theatre presents



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coworkers are trained on the job for anything that may arise.

"I am here for any emergency that may come up," he said. "I am here to serve the students and the faculty, and I hope the students appreciate what I do."

The occasional grumble from a student inconvenienced by a plow does not dishearten Klein. He enjoys the work and even has fun with it.

"One day, some students were out sledding on the hill behind Lewis Hall, so I pushed the snow to make the sledding more fun for them," he said, "and of course sometimes some students will pound the truck with snowballs, so I'll give them a honk or a wave."

However, South Bend's temperamental weather occasionally leaves Klein and his crew with nothing to do. In such a case, they "wash equipment or pick up trash," he said.

And the warm summer months also keep Klein busy.

"I trim trees. I love it because I like being outside," he said.

The sense of pride Klein takes in his work is evident in the sense of pride he has in the University.

"Everyday I can look up at the Dome and say 'There's my office,'" he said.

The Housekeeper

When Dawn Bell's alarm clock goes off every morning at 5 a.m., she rolls over and wishes for a few more hours.

"The first thing I think about is 'How I am going to get out of bed and get into the shower?' If it wasn't for my husband, I would never get out of bed," said Bell, the housekeeper of Badin Hall.

Bell and her husband Charles, who is a custodian at Sorin College, have to arrive at Notre Dame by 6:45 a.m. in order to begin work at 7 a.m. After punching in at a building behind the Notre Dame Federal Credit Union, the two go their separate ways until the end of the shift at 3:30 p.m.

"We don't see each other during the day," she said. "We don't meet too often — it's not worth the hassle."

Once she gets to Badin, Bell's first duties include turning lights on and emptying trash. She then begins her daily routine of vacuuming, bathroom scrubbing and overall maintenance.

"I enjoy the work, especially because of the girls in Badin. Everyone is so nice," she said.

However, there are aspects of the job that Bell would prefer to stay away from.

"Cleaning up vomit is the worst," she said.

In her 13 years as a housekeeper for Notre Dame's dormitories, Bell has kept several dorms tidy.

"I worked in Dillon with Father Kerry for nine years — he was such a good person. I also worked in Morissey Hall before coming to Badin," she said.

Bell also said that, despite common misconception, "some girls dorms can be just as bad as boys dorms."

"It depends on the rector. I have been in girls dorms that were an absolute mess. Students just need to take pride in where they live," she said.

Bell also pointed out that up until just a few years ago, housekeepers were responsible for a twice weekly cleaning of every dorm room. Housekeepers would clean rooms on a Monday-Thursday, Tuesday-Friday basis.

"Years ago, before they started building lofts, housekeepers also had to make the beds," she said.

Bell has the help of Chris

Murphy in keeping Badin looking its cleanest.

"I get along really well with Chris, she does her job, she is dependable. We are like a team, which makes a big difference," Bell said.

For Bell, the nicest aspect of her job is the security.

"We'll always have a job. We don't have to worry about getting laid off. Notre Dame does a good job assuring us of stability," she said. "Even the workers at [St. Michael's Laundry] had jobs after the fire there."

The Gatekeeper

When Becky Kruzel took a job with Notre Dame's Security and Police Department 10 years ago, she had her kids in mind.

"I came to work here because it was close to home and for my children's education," she said. "They are still only 14 and 11, so I've got a few years yet until I get the benefit of free tuition."

Kruzel left the Indiana State Police for Notre Dame and has not regretted it since.

"This is the best job I've ever had. This University is a wonderful place to work at. They've been good to me," Kruzel said.

As the officer at the Main Gate from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Kruzel recognizes that she is not a favorite when she denies students campus access.

"To be honest, the worst part of my job is telling students that they can't drive on campus. The geography of the campus does not allow for parking lots, so I can't just let everyone on," she said. "They all have their reasons, and we have to say no, and they disagree. It isn't always nice."

On the flipside, Kruzel also points out that working with a variety of people makes her job interesting.

"My favorite aspect of this job would be meeting visitors and talking with students. This school is a big tourist attraction, and I like taking out a map and advising tourists on the places they should visit on campus," Kruzel said.

A South Bend native, Kruzel has always been a football fan. However, since taking the job at Notre Dame, football weekends mean more than just tailgating and cheering with the band.

"The weekends with football games are hectic. I enjoy it, but we have to work 12-hour days, and those are long days. The gates are really busy," she said.

At the end of even her busiest day, Kruzel looks forward to spending time with her family, something her job as a security guard at Notre Dame allows her to do.

"As the kids got older, with homework and sports, my boss, Rex Rakow, rearranged the schedule to make it easier for me to be involved in my kids' lives. I can help with homework and carpooling because I am off at three in the afternoon," she said.

The Dome Shiner

And what about Notre Dame's pride and joy? According to Gary Shumaker, director of facilities operations, it doesn't take much to keep the Dome shining through wind, rain, snow and the occasional Hail Mary.

"We really don't have to do a lot to the Dome on average," Shumaker said. "We look at it periodically, but as far as needing to redo it, we only do that every 20 years or so."

When the Dome is redone, gold paint is first applied, followed by a layer of gold leaf. In addition, a special preservative material is applied to protect the job.

"As far as costs are concerned, it varies, depending on the kind of work necessary," Shumaker said.

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for me, simply a matter of principle," McBrien said.

He explained that Catholic universities cannot expect academic respect if the mandate system is introduced.

"We can't have a Catholic higher education system whose academic degrees are honored throughout the academic world and the wider society," said McBrien. "And, at the same time, introduce a mechanism into the internal life of our universities and colleges that undermines our claim to academic seriousness."

The mandate requirement applies only to theology professors. McBrien noted that if the purpose of mandates is to preserve Catholic identity of an institution, they should be required of all Catholic faculty and administrators.

"I have found that concern for and commitment to the Catholic character of our universities is highest in our theology departments," said McBrien. "If there is a prob-

lem of erosion of Catholic character, it is to be found outside of our theology departments, not inside."

He explained that mandate defenders note that other professionals, such as lawyers and doctors, require certification. Lawyers and doctors, however, are certified by their peers. Lawyers are required to pass a bar exam created by other lawyers. Doctors are required to pass an exam created by other doctors. Requiring a bishop to certify a theology professor is different.

"Bishops are not theologians. They are pastors. As such, they have an important role to play in the Church, but evaluating the academic credentials of faculty members in universities — even Catholic universities — is not one of their roles," said McBrien.

Ex Corde does not say anything explicit about mandates, leaving the implementation to the national Episcopal conferences. The possibilities vary from legally required mandates to an option under the discretion of each individual university.

In the article, McBrien

emphasized that theologians, not just bishops and university presidents, should be involved in the implementation process.

John Cavadini, theology department chair, agreed.

"I would echo McBrien's hope that theologians are consulted in any attempt to draft an implementation plan," said Cavadini, noting that involvement would suggest that, in theory, a mutually acceptable solution could be reached.

Cavadini said that he would reserve a decision on the mandate issue until the details of Ex Corde implementation are finalized.

"I find it impossible to form a judgement because there is nothing concrete in place," said Cavadini.

The implementation process may take several years, which means mandates are not an immediate concern. Cavadini, however, expressed support for individual decisions of theology faculty.

"As far as my colleagues go, I completely respect whatever decision their conscience prompts them to make," said Cavadini.

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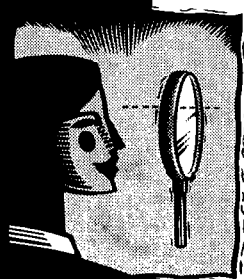
tribology; manufacturing process simulation and optimization; surface generation; measurement and modeling; tribo-characteristics and wear of tool materials. The majority of his research is conducted in the Tribology/Manufacturing

Laboratory where he studies problems associated with friction, wear and lubrication of industrial equipment. Recent research in the lab has emphasized the mechanisms of emulsion lubrication and surface evolution in manufacturing processes.

Co-author of three books as well as various journal and conference papers, Schmid is a member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, the

American Society of Manufacturing Engineers, the Society of Tribologists and Lubrication Engineers and the Materials Research Society. In 1986 Schmid received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. He received a master's in mechanical engineering from Northwestern University in 1989 and a doctorate, also from Northwestern, in 1993.

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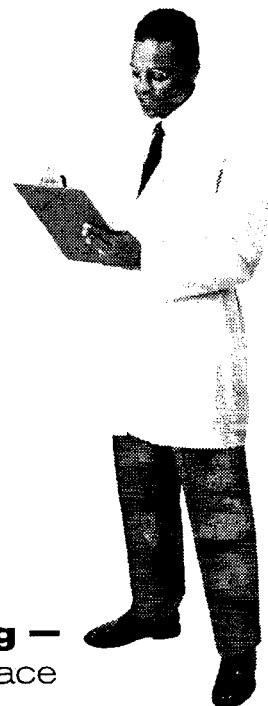
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Convicted murderer hijacks plane, takes guard hostage

BOGOTA, Colombia

A convicted murderer who was being flown across Colombia managed to pull a knife, hijack the plane and force it to land at a remote airstrip, where he fled with a guard as his hostage, police said Sunday. Police were hunting for Hernando Prada, who had been serving a 50-year sentence for murder. Despite the presence of an armed escort of two prison guards, Prada drew a knife eight minutes after the Beechcraft 1900 biplane took off from Bucaramanga airport in northwestern Santander state on Saturday, police said. The plane was headed for the town of Cucuta, but Prada forced the pilot to land at a small airstrip at El Tornillo, 240 miles north of Bogota. There, he forced one of the guards to flee with him. Police did not immediately explain how Prada had smuggled the knife onboard or why he was being transferred to Cucuta.

'Mad cow' disease returns

PARIS

A new case of "mad cow" disease has been detected in France, authorities said Sunday the seventh since the beginning of the year. The cow was part of a herd of 600 near Bourg-en-Bresse, in the Ain region of southeastern France. The herd was slaughtered and incinerated on Saturday, officials in the Ain region said. Last year, French authorities discovered 31 cases of mad cow disease, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy. Authorities have said that new cases of mad cow disease will break out in France until 2001, five years after stringent prevention measures were taken against the disease, which has an average incubation period of five years. France outlawed feeds containing animal proteins in 1996 out of fears they could cause mad cow disease.

Police raid bar to find witnesses

NEWARK, N.J.

Frustrated by an investigation grown cold, authorities used a raid on underage drinking at a popular bar to round up potential witnesses to a deadly dorm fire at Seton Hall University, The Star-Ledger of Newark reported Sunday. Nearly a dozen of the students arrested during the raid at the New Hall Tavern just before 1:30 a.m. Friday were given subpoenas to testify Tuesday before a grand jury looking into the fire, the newspaper said. Investigators had expected the group to be at the bar. The Jan. 19 blaze killed three freshmen and injured 62 people. Law enforcement sources, whom the newspaper did not identify, said their investigation has been hampered because some students have been withholding information.

ROMANIA



A Hungarian fisherman views the results of the Jan. 30 cyanide spill in the Tisza river. Thousands of people throughout Romania, Hungary and Yugoslavia remain concerned about the environmental and economical effects of the spill.

Cyanide spill devastates three countries

Associated Press

TISZA RIVER

When Gheorghe Dobre was awakened by emergency vehicles speeding past his house in the middle of the night, his first thought was of the cyanide reservoir just down the road.

"The noise woke up the whole village," Dobre said. "We figured there must have been an accident."

A few hundred yards down the hill from Dobre's northern Romanian village Sasar, earthen walls of a reservoir owned by the Aurul gold mine had washed away in a down-

pour, sending 130,000 cubic yards of cyanide-laced water into a nearby creek.

From that nameless gully only 10 feet wide, the pollutant began a journey through southeastern Europe, killing tons of fish and other wildlife in three countries and transforming one of the region's major waterways into a river of death.

Weeks after the Jan. 30 spill, people who live along 500-mile stretch of the worst-affected Tisza River and its tributaries are worried about their livelihoods, confused about the long-term effects of the spill and angry that such an accident

could have happened.

Even before rain and melting snow swelled the reservoir over its 13 foot walls, many of the 2,500 inhabitants of Sasar had been nervous about living so close to the 230-acre pond and its deadly chemicals.

The cyanide was used to separate gold from ore extracted by the mine, owned by the Romanian government and Esmeralda Exploration Ltd., of Australia.

"We all worked in the mines and we know how dangerous cyanide can be," Anna Gisha said.

From the tiny creek, the pollutants flowed into the

nearby Lapus River and on to the Somes, a muddy stream which heads westward to Hungary and the Tisza River, about 75 miles west of the mine.

In Vasarosnameny, where the Somes meets the Tisza, Tibor Loerincz heard the news on television only hours before the cyanide reached his town late Feb. 2.

"It's a good thing it happened in winter or I would have been out fishing," Loerincz said. Like thousands of others in Romania, Hungary and Yugoslavia, Loerincz is sad about the possible devastation of one of Eastern Europe's most ecologically rich rivers.

YUGOSLAVIA

Serbs pelt peacekeepers with rocks

Associated Press

KOSOVSKA MITROVICA A crowd of angry Serbs pelted American and German peacekeepers with rocks and bricks Sunday during a massive house-to-house search for illegal weapons in this tense, ethnically divided Kosovo town.

The weapons search was a bid to halt a spiral of violence that has been building since Feb. 2, when two Serbs died in a rocket attack on a U.N. bus. Nine

people have been killed and dozens arrested in violence since in Kosovska Mitrovica, which is divided into predominantly Serb and predominantly ethnic Albanian sides of town.

French Lt. Col. Patrick Chanliau, a spokesman for the NATO-led peacekeeping force, said soldiers from a dozen countries found no weapons in the southern section, where mostly ethnic Albanians live.

In the Serb northern part, where the Americans and some Germans came

under attack from an angry crowd, he said soldiers found plastic explosives, 15 rifles and handguns, one grenade, one machine gun and loads of ammunition.

One person was arrested. Those injured included two American peacekeepers, one with a broken nose and one with a chipped tooth, and three Serbs, he said.

About 2,300 troops, including French, Americans, Germans and Canadians, set out shortly after dawn to conduct the

major search operation on both sides of the Ibar River, which divides the town, said Lt. Cmdr. Philip Anido, a NATO spokesman.

Peacekeepers' helicopters circled above Kosovska Mitrovica, dropping leaflets that read: "Attention! Attention! KFOR (Kosovo Force) soldiers are here to search for weapons. Hand over your weapons when asked to do so by KFOR soldiers. Do not impede KFOR operations. KFOR soldiers will treat you with dignity and respect."

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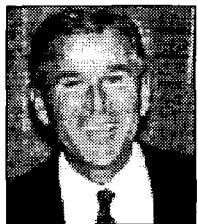
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ORACLE CORP	ORCL	+4.97	-3.0650	58.56
DELL COMPUTER	DELL	-1.54	-0.6275	40.06
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Republican fight shifts focus towards Michigan

Associated Press

EAST LANSING, Mich. Fresh from a South Carolina triumph, George W. Bush said Sunday he was campaigning to "bring our country together." John McCain called his Republican rival a big spender, then taunted, "if he's a reformer, I'm an astronaut."



Bush

Both men moved through the first day of a tightly compressed campaign in Michigan as the pace of the Republican presidential nomination battle quickened. It fell to McCain, the underdog in uncontested need of a win, to outline the stakes.

"We won round one," he said, referring to his landslide in New Hampshire's presidential primary on Feb. 1. "Governor Bush won round two," a lopsided win in South Carolina.

"Now we go to round three," he said.

Bush strategists were hoping South Carolina would give them the momentum. McCain countered with an endorsement from Rep. Peter King, R-N.Y., who had supported Bush but said he was put off by the candidate's appeal in South Carolina, including his visit to Bob Jones University.

King, a Catholic, said America needs a "conservative who will not yield to the temptation of pandering in ways that support bigotry."

"Is Mr. King suggesting I have an anti-Catholic bias because I went to a universi-

ty," Bush asked at one stop. "I go to universities all the time."

"So with all due respect to Congressman King, he can make any decision he wants to make, but he should not ascribe anything to my heart because my record is a lot different from what he thinks it might be."

Bush noted that his brother Jeb, the governor of Florida, recently converted to Catholicism after being married a Catholic woman for 20 years.

One poll, taken before South Carolina voted, rated Michigan a toss-up. It had Bush ahead in the GOP strongholds and McCain running stronger in the areas where independent voters and blue collar, Reagan-style Democrats reside.

With the primary set for Tuesday, there was no time for either campaign to make new television commercials, or even purchase additional time on the state's stations.

Bush, the Texas governor, flew in Saturday night and headed straight for the Republican strongholds around Grand Rapids.

Later, in Detroit, he jabbed at McCain, saying voters would pick a leader like himself who is talking about education reforms and strengthening the military over "somebody who's trying to cast aspersions on his opponent. I suspect they're going to pick like they did in South Carolina."

At an earlier appearance, he continued to emphasize the



McCain

positive. "I'm going to continue to talk about how to bring our country together. I'm going to talk about a better tomorrow," Bush said.

Bush and several aides also took issue with McCain's concession speech Saturday night in which he said the campaign was a choice "between experience and pretense."

"I think the America voters, the people in Michigan, are going to have to judge how each of us reacts," Bush said. "Now they've had a chance to see each of us react to victory and each of us react to defeat."

Bush also underscored a theme he had used in South Carolina, that Democrats shouldn't choose the Republican nominee. His remarks had a distinctly Michigan cast as he cited the example of Geoffrey Fieger, a Democrat and lawyer for suicide advocate Jack Kevorkian, who Bush said had been "making noises" about voting.

Republicans should say to him, "You're not going to pick the Republican nominee," Bush said of Fieger.

Exit polls in South Carolina showed that Bush's claim to be a "reformer with results" had connected, and also that voters believed McCain, more than his rival, had engaged in unfair attacks.

That left McCain with a tricky task of trying to underscore his conservative credentials at the same time he was angling to undercut Bush's claim of being a reformer — all the while upholding his pledge to run a positive campaign. McCain questioned Bush's integrity, comparing him to President Clinton, in an ad that aired in South Carolina but was not shown to Michigan voters.

Appearing on NBC's "Meet

the Press," McCain said Bush's record on spending compared unfavorably with Clinton's.

"Spending in Texas has almost doubled, while spending under Clinton has been increased by 20 percent," he said.

At a rally in Livonia, he added that Bush had been a supporter of last year's omnibus spending bill in Congress, a measure he said contained the "most outrageous pork barreling spending."

"I voted against it," said McCain, who represents Arizona in the Senate. "Governor Bush said he'd support it and sign it."

To renew his appeal to independents, McCain criticized Bush's record on campaign finance reform in scathing terms.

"Governor Bush is the governor of a state that has the most liberal campaign contribution laws," he said.

"If Governor Bush is a reformer, I'm an astronaut," he said.

He also said Bush takes credit for HMO reform in his state, when in fact, "he vetoed the bill once and allowed it to become law without his signature."

Bush spokesman Ari Fleischer said Bush vetoed the original HMO bill because it gave a blanket exemption for the state's largest HMOs and that he subsequently issued patients' rights regulations treating all the same. He said the governor allowed the second bill to become law without his signature as a way of signaling trial lawyers not to abuse a provision that allows HMOs to be sued after an independent review.

As to spending, Fleischer

Delegate tally

CAMPAIGN 2000

Here is the current breakdown of presidential preferences of delegates to the Democratic and Republican national conventions.

DEMOCRATIC	
	Total delegates
Gore	42
Bradley	27
Uncommitted	0
TOTAL	69
Needed to nominate	2,170
Total delegate votes	4,339
REPUBLICAN	
	Total delegates
Bush	61
McCain	14
Keyes	4
Uncommitted	12
TOTAL	91
Needed to nominate	1,034
Total delegate votes	2,066

Source: Compiled from AP wire reports

AP

said spending increased only 2 percent under Bush when adjusted for inflation and a growing population. He added that Bush cut the rate of spending growth in half — again adjusted for inflation and demographics.

By the time of his arrival in East Lansing, McCain had sharpened his message further, saying, "who do you want, a big spender, non-reformer, or the guy with the record."

Despite his drubbing in South Carolina, McCain appeared upbeat throughout the day. Sitting in cramped quarters aboard his campaign bus, he joked that the lucky shoes he wears every day have a new name: "unlucky shoes."

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ISRAEL

Leaders express concerns for talks

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

A recent surge of anti-Israel rhetoric in the Arab world prompted Israeli leaders to express concern Sunday for the future of the peace process.

Following a breakdown in peace talks, Arab media has compared Israelis to Nazis and attacked them with imagery conventionally associated with the worst anti-Semitic excesses.

"We have to be concerned about the question of how the Arab world perceives Israel," Foreign Minister David Levy told Israeli radio. "Is the wave which has arisen today an expression of that hidden thought in the hearts of many people there?"

Prime Minister Ehud Barak referred to the phenomenon in the weekly Cabinet meeting, saying that such "incitement" does not contribute to the peace process.

Peace talks with Syria broke down last month, and talks with the Palestinians foundered this month — in both cases over Israeli territorial concessions.

The breakdown in Syrian talks was followed by an escalation of clashes between Israeli troops and guerrillas in Lebanon, where Syria is the main power.

As the violence escalated, offi-



Barak

cial Syrian media accused Israel of carrying out Nazi-like strikes, and of grossly exaggerating the Holocaust to win international support.

Echoing his Syrian patrons, Lebanese President Emile Lahoud condemned Israeli policies as "crimes inherited from the Nazi school."

In a country where as much as a third of the Jewish population comprises Holocaust survivors or their descendants, such language cuts deeply into the national psyche — and could hamper Barak's efforts to garner public support for eventual peace deals.

"From a historic point of view it is horrific, a deception," Shevah Weiss, a Holocaust survivor and a former speaker of parliament who backs the peace process, said of the comparisons with the Nazis.

"Waves of hatred," read the front page headline in Sunday's Maariv daily over an article that said Barak was "embarrassed" by the outbursts.

The rhetoric could stem, in part, from frustration with the sympathy Israel enjoys in the West because of the Holocaust, when Nazis and their allies in German-occupied Europe murdered 6 million Jews.

The Arabs "have no idea what

to do with the fact of the Holocaust and that it gets tremendous sympathy, and have no effective way to deal with it," said Barry Rubin, a Syria expert at Bar Ilan University.

Israeli anger is exacerbated when such images appear in countries with which it has already signed peace treaties.

A cartoon in the pro-government Egyptian newspaper, Al-Ahram, depicted Barak standing on an Arab boy to reach an Austrian ballot box, which he is defacing with a swastika.

The suggestion is that Barak's condemnation of the inclusion of Joerg Haider's anti-immigrants party in the Austrian coalition is hypocritical, given Israel's treatment of the Lebanese.

Such images "among those with whom we are at peace, who compare us to Hitler and cheer Haider, suggests that there is something very deeply [wrong] here," Levy said.

Levy said Israel was also stung by the support Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak expressed for the Lebanese in a high-profile weekend visit, in which he said guerrilla attacks that have killed seven Israeli troops in recent weeks are "a result, not a cause," of Israel's presence in Lebanon.

Barak dispatched two of his top advisers to Egypt on Sunday, apparently seeking answers about the Mubarak visit.

"We have to be concerned about the question of how the Arab world perceives Israel."

David Levy
foreign minister

ITALY

Police close roads to blow up bomb

Associated Press

ROME

Italy shut down a central stretch of its major north-south rail and road routes and evacuated hundreds of people Sunday to blow up a newly uncovered American-made bomb dropped in World War II.

The rusted bomb contained about 550 pounds of TNT, authorities said. Explosives experts deemed it too fragile to dig out or disarm. Instead, they excavated a crater and used plastic explosives to destroy the bomb from afar.

"Perfectly successful," said Lt. Col. Fabio Commellini, one of the leaders of the explosives team.

An allied warplane dropped the bomb near Terni, about 40 miles east of Rome, on Jan. 28, 1944, when much of Italy was under German occupation. The bomb landed in the Paglia River, near a rail route.

"I remember it well. It was raining bombs everywhere and rail cars were falling in flames in the Paglia," said

Filivio Rossi, a 72-year-old resident of the area. "It seems like I can still hear people screaming."

It was Rossi who spotted the bomb on what apparently was a newly dried stretch of riverbed on Feb. 13, mistaking it at first for a stone.

Sunday, authorities rerouted traffic in both directions on the A-1 autostrada and the Rome-Florence rail route in case of any trouble with the detonation. Officials ordered about 500 nearby residents evacuated, opening a reception center for the few who did not leave and using ambulances to evacuate the sick to hospitals for the day.

The explosives team may have more work ahead of it — officials said Sunday they had found another unexploded World War II bomb in the same area, this one at the foot of a railway bridge. Authorities did not immediately announce their plans for that bomb.

"I remember it well. It was raining bombs everywhere and rail cars were falling in flames in the Paglia. It seems like I can still hear people screaming."

Filivio Rossi
area resident

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GRANVILLE T. WOODS

Police break up sweatshop protest

Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. Fifty-four anti-sweatshop protesters were arrested Sunday at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, ending a four-day sit-in in the chancellor's office.

The protesters, who had been occupying Chancellor David Ward's office since Wednesday, had listed seven demands, most designed to give manufacturers less sway in factory monitoring accords that universities agreed to a year ago.

Ward agreed Friday to one of the demands — entering the Workers Rights Consortium, a factory monitoring group that includes workers and human rights organizations. The consortium was developed by students.

Roger Howard, the associate vice chancellor for student

services at Wisconsin, said last week that the WRC is still in the developmental stage and hasn't yet had a founding convention.

Sarah Spohn, a member of the anti-sweatshop group, said Ward's support of the workers consortium was lukewarm and criticized the chancellor for not negotiating directly with students.

"The issue had been resolved," university spokeswoman Amy Toburen said following the 54 arrests.

"The issue had been resolved. It had become clear the issue was no longer sweatshops."

Amy Toburen
university spokeswoman

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Collegiate licensing is a \$2.5 billion business nationwide.

Some merchandise has been found to be produced under sweatshop conditions in the United States and abroad.

The University of Michigan and Indiana University also joined the factory monitoring group on Friday.

Vatican gives details on Pope's Egypt trip

♦ Trip kicks off the Jubilee year journeys to ancient biblical sites

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY Pilgrims waved a "Buon Viaggio" banner in St. Peter's Square on Sunday, wishing Pope John Paul II well on his upcoming trip to Egypt — and to the spot where tradition says God spoke to Moses from a burning bush.

John Paul's trip, which begins Thursday, will be his first to Egypt. It is the kickoff of the pontiff's 2000 Holy Year pilgrimages to ancient biblical sites.

He intends to pray at what tradition says is the Mount Sinai site of the burning bush, where God commanded Moses to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt, the Vatican missionary news service Fides said Sunday in a more detailed but still unofficial outline of the itinerary.

John Paul made no mention of his upcoming trip during his regular Sunday appearance before pilgrims in St. Peter's Square. He seemed strong and alert, waving at cheers from the crowd below.

The pontiff is to arrive in Cairo on Thursday, greeted

by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Catholic bishops, Fides said.

In Cairo, John Paul will visit the head of the Coptic Orthodox Church in Egypt and the imam, or cleric, of Al-Azhar University, Sheik Mohammed Sayed Tantawi. He is the highest authority of the world's Sunni Muslims.

"The symbolic force of the event is very great. Even if it is a visit of protocol, it will be much more effective than talking," Ali al Samman of the school's commission for Muslim-Christian dialogue was quoted as telling Fides.

Friday, the pope will attend a Mass to be celebrated in French, Arab and Coptic in Cairo's sport stadium. A celebration will follow in a tiny Coptic cathedral, with all leaders of Egypt's Christian denominations expected to take part.

Christians make up an estimated 11 percent of Egypt's 63 million people. The vast majority of Christians there are Coptic Orthodox.

On Saturday, John Paul flies to the 6th-century St. Catherine's monastery at the foot of Mount Sinai. The pope plans to pray at the site of the burning bush and preside over a prayer meeting for hundreds of young people in the monastery's garden, Fides said.

The pope has previously stressed "the purely religious, not political" nature of his travels into the heart of Middle East conflicts this year. From March 20 to 26, he will visit sites in Israel and the Palestinian territories.

Galileo will make risky mission

♦ Orbiter travels to Jupiter's volcanic moon Io

Associated Press

PASADENA, Calif.

Galileo will make its closest flyby of Jupiter's volcanic moon Io this week as controllers race to put it through ever riskier maneuvers before the aging spacecraft conks out.

Mission managers acknowledge the risks but say they want to make the most of what will likely be the spacecraft's final months. Galileo, circling the solar system's largest planet for more than four years, long ago exceeded expectations.

"We've done the job," said Jim Erickson, Galileo's project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory. "Now we're getting to see how much more we can milk it."

On Tuesday, the 2 1/2-ton orbiter will fly within 124 miles of Io in a maneuver that will bombard the probe with intense radiation. Previous orbits near the fiery moon crippled Galileo's computer, though engineers managed to restart it each time.

Galileo is tentatively scheduled to zoom by the moon Ganymede in May and December. Discussions are under way about future plans, including a possible suicide plunge into Jupiter's atmosphere.

Nobody expects the \$1.4 billion probe to last forever. It has been on an extended mission since completing its primary goals in 1997. Fuel for maneuvering is running low, navigation equipment is failing, and Galileo has encountered twice as much radiation

as it was designed to withstand.

Engineers say the risks of extreme maneuvers are balanced by the potential science returns.

"The possibility that there is going to be a failure is always there," Erickson said. "We're way past warranty and we're incrementally pushing our luck, but that's a good thing to do."

In October, Galileo flew within 380 miles of Io, revealing what may be the most volcanically active body in the solar system. The spacecraft found more than 100 volcanoes, some of which spewed 2,700-degree lava and vented gases miles into space.

A month later, Galileo flew within 186 miles of the surface. Its camera captured lava spurting more than a mile high. Engineers were kept busy as the spacecraft's computer shut down hours before closest approach.

"With each flyby we get new and different observations," said Torrence Johnson, Galileo's project scientist. "This time, we expect to be able to observe the effects of the eruptions we saw in the October and November flybys."

Spying volcanoes is just one of Galileo's achievements. In January, during a flyby of the moon Europa, the spacecraft made what may be its most memorable finding: Magnetic field disturbances that strongly suggest a saltwater ocean exists beneath the icy crust.

It is the best evidence yet that an ocean similar to that of Earth exists elsewhere in the solar system — and that raises the possibility of life.

Galileo also detected a magnetic field around the moon Callisto, which is now believed to have a molten core like Earth. Galileo also found, for the first time, that Jupiter has Earth-style thunderstorms in addition to the monstrous, swirling storms that Earth astronomers have seen through telescopes for centuries.

"There's kind of a food chain on Jupiter. The largest storms seem to sustain themselves by merging — eating almost — the smaller storms," said Andrew Ingersoll of the California Institute of Technology. "We never knew where the smaller storms got their energy, and now we do."

At first, nothing seemed to go right for the spacecraft, which is named after the Italian astronomer who first observed

Jupiter's largest moons in 1610. Its launch, originally scheduled for 1986, was delayed for three years by the deadly explosion of the space shuttle Challenger.

Galileo finally was launched in 1989 from the space shuttle Atlantis. Instead of a direct, two-year voyage, it took a circuitous route using the gravity of Venus and Earth to slingshot to its destination. In all, it traveled 2.3 billion miles over six years, finally arriving in December 1995.

"With each flyby we get new and different observations."

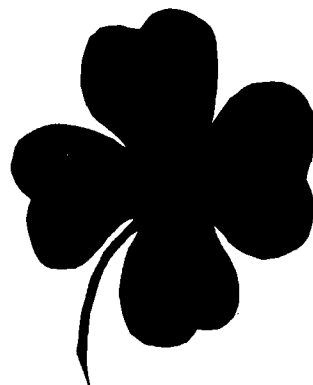
Torrence Johnson
project scientist

Student Government Invites Student Nominations for The 1999-2000 Irish Clover Awards and the Frank O'Malley Undergraduate Teaching Award

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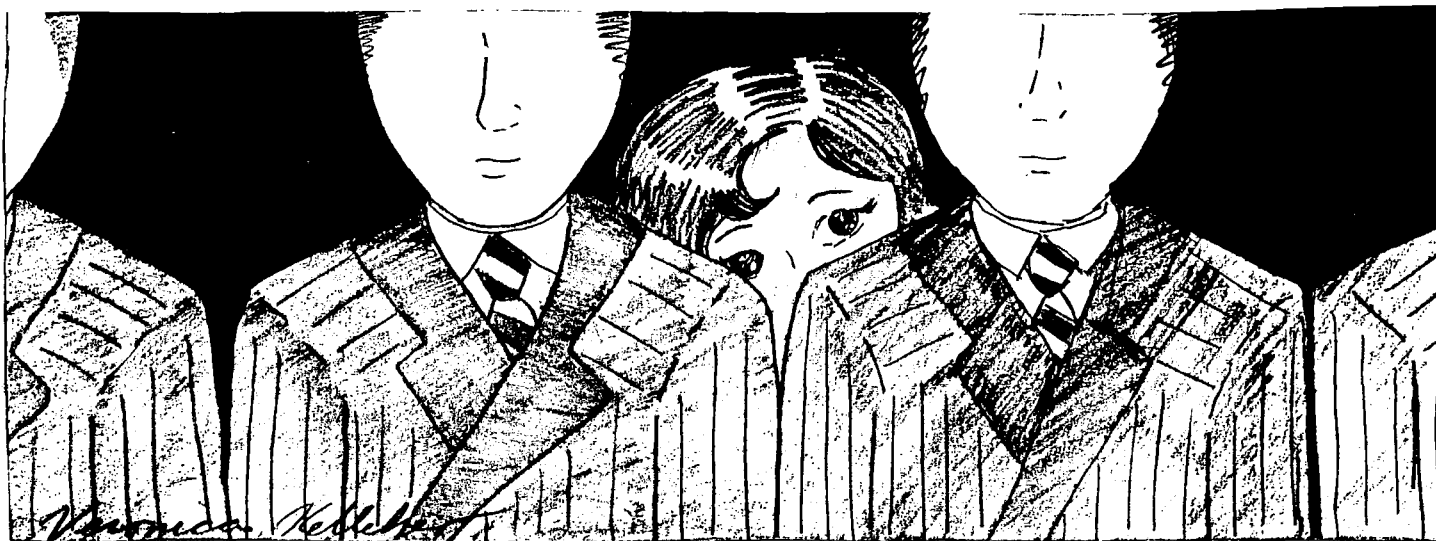
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Women, minorities need representation

It has not been a good couple of weeks for Notre Dame as far as diversity and inclusion are concerned.

Just after a moving celebration of Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy, a series of publicly embarrassing events have detracted from the celebration's message. These include another student body presidential election from an all-white and almost all-male pool of candidates, a racially offensive cartoon about Kofi Annan, the attempt of the student body to express its moral judgment on a University of Connecticut basketball player, an alumni letter expressing a common dismissive attitude toward women's sports and early indications that Missy Conboy will be overlooked for the vacant athletic director position.

Friday was the anniversary of political pioneer Barbara Jordan's death. Jordan was, and remains, an example of success despite the odds. Her unique leadership style established her legacy as a great leader. That she was also both black and a woman made her success that much more significant. Unfortunately, it is clear that her achievements and example have gone unnoticed here at Notre Dame.

Although the lack of any ethnically diverse candidates can be traced to the absence of diversity among the student body, the lack of female candidates is a phenomenon that is more difficult to pin down. According to enrollment numbers, roughly half of the candidates should have been women, but there were none for the presidential slot and only one for vice president. Women seem to have no problem running for offices like hall senator and hall president, where they are only competing against other women, but they shy away from campus-wide campaigns. Instead of one specific cause, this is probably due to a combination of factors.

First, gender relations being what

they are at the University, perhaps women do not want to be perceived as pushy, assertive or, heaven forbid, ambitious.

The climate of political indifference among students also makes outward support or encouragement unlikely. Unconventional candidates have heard accounts of the kind of reactions women have received in the past when they have taken the risk to run. Even if comments like, "But you're a girl — you can't be president" are made in jest, when they are made in a non-inclusive environment such as this campus, they must be understood to hold some element of truth.

But ultimately, why would any female at this school believe that a) anyone would want a woman in a leadership position, or b) that a woman in such a position would have any influence? From the highest levels of the administration women are not included, so it should be no surprise that the student leadership is no exception. Of the 12 University officers, only two are women. The setup of the professional realm mirrors that of the student realm: Participation by women at the lower levels is fine, but the top spots are for the men.

The athletic director vacancy, for example, is an opportunity for the administration to change this pattern. University president Father Edward Malloy announced last week that the search for the new athletic director would be extended to a national search. What was not said in his announcement was whether that meant they had already overlooked the most logical option or whether Missy Conboy was still a candidate.

Highly successful first as a collegiate athlete and then as an associate athletic director, a Notre Dame grad and one of a select few who are already intricately familiar with the workings and needs of the athletic department, Conboy is a natural fit for the job. Like Jordan, that beyond her exceptional qualifications she is a woman in an environment des-

perately in need of female leadership only enhances her credentials. Further, her appointment would send a strong message to contradict sentiments like those expressed by a 1964 alum's letter to the editor in which he referred to women's sports as "title IX sports" and stated that "the only sports that really matter" are men's basketball and football. Maybe he has not been back to the school since 1964, but what he refers to as "title IX sports" have been the only thing worth notice for some time now. Judging by attendance at events, however, many others share his view.

Barbara Jordan would not have expected us to sit back and expect the administration alone to make all the tough choices and changes. She called upon the public as a whole to "Pay rent on the space that you occupy," meaning that everyone involved — and especially the student body — must take ownership of the situation, step out of the comfort zone and make real efforts to make Notre Dame a welcoming place for everyone. In a place where so many talk and act on issues of social justice, it is irresponsible for us to ignore the environment that minorities experience here and that dissuades more minorities from attending. What we as students can do is demand more intensive efforts at diversifying the student body, opening our own eyes and minds to new ideas and cultures, being mindful of our own words and actions and taking a stand when something occurs that detracts from successful diversity.

At some point, along with administrative and campus-wide initiatives to facilitate successful diversity, underrepresented students must also follow Barbara Jordan's lead by breaking into the ranks of the "old boys club." By being qualified, confident, strong and bold, a handful of women and minorities can establish a new tradition of representation.

Bridget is a senior.

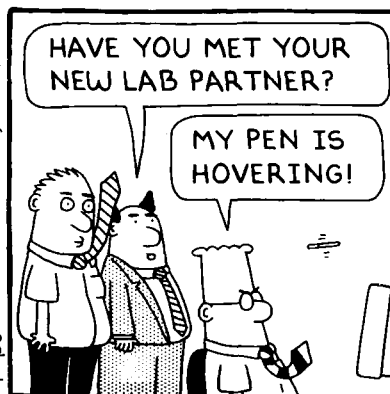
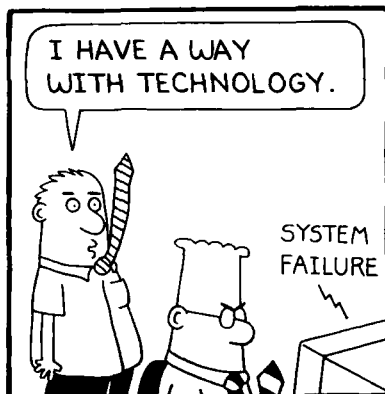
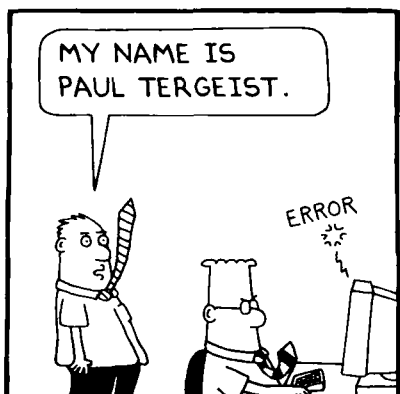
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The Lord gave you two ends. One for sitting and one for thinking. Your success depends on which you use. Heads, you win; tails, you lose."

Marian Anderson
African-American vocalist

Benetton exploits murder victims

For seventh and eighth grade, I attended John Young Middle School in Mishawaka. Among my classmates was a kid named Mike

Fulford, who lived across the street from me. Mike and I never got along tremendously well — in fact, he once challenged me to a fight after school.

However, his sister, Annie, was nice to me. I went to Marian High School and she attended Mishawaka High School, so we were never really close after that. Her boyfriend, Leif, was planning on proposing to her on her 18th birthday, April 17, 1997.

Annie Fulford was murdered on Dec. 20, 1996, when she and Leif interrupted a burglary at Mike's trailer. Leif, in some insane attempt to get revenge on the four African-Americans involved in Annie's death, went on a random shooting rampage of blacks on the near northwest side of South Bend between Feb. 12 and 26, 1997.

When Annie and I attended Young, clothes made by the Italian-based company Benetton were the rage. How atrociously ironic, then, that last month Benetton introduced "We, On Death Row," a "photo essay" of more than two dozen death row inmates from penitentiaries in North Carolina, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri and Nebraska, desecrating the memory of Annie and other innocent victims like her.

Although neither Leif nor any of the men responsible for Annie's death await execution, I am still affected by someone who does. On March 4, 1989, one of my mother's friends from high school, Lisa Bianco, was bludgeoned to death with a shotgun barrel by her ex-husband, Alan Matheney. He was on an eight-hour pass from prison, where he was serving a sentence for battery because he abused her. Matheney has exploited almost every appeal defense imaginable, including that Bianco and then-Saint Joseph County Prosecutor Michael Barnes were romantically involved and therefore arranged for his conviction. Two of his appeals were denied by the U.S. Supreme Court. Nine years have passed since his original execution date.

The "We, On Death Row" ad campaign by Benetton is not their first controversy. Other borderline-outrageous Benetton ads featured a baby with its umbilical cord still attached, two horses having sex and a priest kissing a nun. Benetton defends "We, On Death Row" as a "photo essay" that serves as a "means for reviving debate over the death penalty." This is a blatant

smokescreen to hide a flagrant political statement that exploits the victims of heinous crimes to sell clothing.

Furthermore, seven inmates were offered \$1,000 to shoot the ad, in accordance with a European law that requires compensation for anyone pictured in an advertisement. Two inmates accepted, one of whom is Nebraska convict Jeremy Sheets.

Although the ad campaign only lists Sheets as being incarcerated for first-degree murder and the use of a knife in the commission of a felony, what Benetton doesn't tell you is that he was convicted of raping and murdering a 17-year-old honors student, although he maintains his innocence.

An overwhelming majority of the questions asked were softball lobs covering everything from politics and sports to their childhoods. By overlooking the violent nature of the crimes, "We, On Death Row" explicitly attempts to sympathize with the convicted vicious criminals interviewed.

Benetton is beginning to feel the backlash of its campaign, and rightly so. The British watchdog group Advertising Standards Authority is reviewing the program and might pull the ad and place Benetton under future probation.

Sears has pulled all Benetton USA clothing from all 400 of its stores that carry the line. Missouri's Attorney General is suing Benetton, claiming that they fraudulently misrepresented interviews with four inmates as being sponsored by the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and that the interviews would appear in Newsweek.

Protests are underway at the United Colors of Benetton flagship store in New York and at another outlet in Houston. Five parents of victims of the "We, On Death Row" inmates were on hand at the New York demonstration. John Peebles remarked on how his child's killer stated in his interview that he hasn't felt rain in 13 years: "He hasn't played in the rain in 13 years? He didn't even give my son 13 seconds. He just mowed him down." The tragic irony for me is that Peebles' son Edward was shot during a botched robbery.

If the statements of those parents aren't enough, then listen to Lisa Bianco's mother Millie: "By glorifying and representing those who are character-deficient, we move in direct opposition to what is best for our society. We remove accountability and the rights of victims."

That's the bottom line. Whatever Benetton's purpose for "We, On Death Row," they reopened wounds of not only the families of the victims of those inmates portrayed, but also anyone even marginally affected by acts of violent criminals.

Mike Marchand would like to dedicate this column to the memory of Annie Fulford, April 17, 1979 — Dec. 20, 1997. May she

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Mike Marchand

Questionable Freedoms

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Loophole tangles bylaws

There exists an apparent loophole in the election bylaws. Any supporter of a candidate is not allowed to break the campaign rules. This leaves the door wide open to a malicious sabotage of one ticket by some random person who claims to be a supporter. This person can simply send out a couple of e-mails to some key campus figures and make a mockery of the election process. While I don't feel that this is what happened in the current election, I

believe it is clear that the current bylaws need to be very closely examined and PUBLICIZED so that no student unknowingly breaks the rules.

Michael J. La Mora
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February 18, 2000

Student Senate overreacts

I would like to thank the Student Senate for taking time away from everything else to decry the obvious "racial stereotyping" that appeared in a recent Observer comic. Obviously, calling U.N. Ambassador Kofi Annan a rap star was blatantly putting this man down.

Now that I've gotten my sarcasm out of the way, let me say that that was one of the most narrow-minded statements I've seen in a very long time. No one in their right mind saw this as anything close to the "alien" joke a few years back. Why? Because it was not the same type of thing. No one should be offended by the Annan joke, and if they are, then I pity them.

For the sophomores and freshman classes who may not have a clue about what I just said, allow me to explain:

About two years ago, during Halloween, a comic ran entitled "Quick And Easy Costumes," or something like that. The first three were either funny or absurd — or both — but the last one caused quite a stir. The comic strip writer drew a picture of a Mexican fellow and labeled him an "alien," with the sub-caption "a Mexican without a green card." When I saw that, I admit, I did chuckle at the play on words. However, I also knew right then that a lot of people were going to be offended by that remark, and they should have been — to a degree. It was not exactly the most tasteful joke ever done, but it did get blown out of proportion a bit, as do most matters here. (NOTE: Most of those things, like the best way to eat, really do not matter. This did.)

I bring this up because apparently the Student Senate felt that the joke in clarifying to business students that Mr. Annan was the U.N. Secretary General and not a rap star, was a similar racial joke done in poor taste. I know this was not the case because I did not meet a single person discussing this the day that it ran, or the day after. In fact, until I read about the Student Senate's "action" against the comic, I had not even thought of that as a possibility. Comparing that to two years past, when nearly every class I went to, large or small, was buzzing with discussion about it, I believe the Student Senate overreacted.

It was not a joke on Mr. Annan's race, it was a joke about business students, who are frequently the butt of many jokes, much like Arts and Letters students, of which I am one. Mr.

Annan himself, I do not believe, was made fun of in any way, shape or form. To compare the joke to calling Madeline Albright a "housewife" is very erroneous. That would have been very blatant stereotyping and in maybe worse taste than the "alien" quip. There was no racial or ethnic type of statement in the comic, nor was it in poor taste in anyone's opinion, save apparently these few.

I would also like to ask where the Student Senate was when Joe Kernan, another recent commencement speaker, needed defense? He had no cartoon about him that I remember, but there were a great many students who wrote letters whining and complaining (I know, shocking) that Mr. Kernan, then mayor of South Bend, and currently Lt. Governor of Indiana, was not a "big enough" or "important enough" or whatever other "enough" of a man to be the keynote speaker for Notre Dame's graduating class. This was a man who was a POW in war, earned several medals of honor for his service (Purple Heart, anyone?) and then, when he could have rested on pension, decided to continue his civil service work in politics, being one of the best mayors that South Bend ever had.

I am thrilled that Mr. Annan is coming here, as he is a great man, one of the greatest of his generation. I have the utmost respect for him, as I would for any man in his position. They do not just hand out U.N. positions to random people (Well, there was Ginger Spice...). But I think Mr. Annan, to get where he is today, must have had some ability to laugh at jokes. That is not to say that some words he may have heard growing up were appropriate terms, but I am sure he has a sense of humor. Whether he would laugh at this, who knows, but I sincerely doubt he would be offended. Now, if the Senate will kindly get back to more important things, like campaign reform, instead of waiting for the chance to hand out the semi-annual "Morally Decrepit Cartoon of the Year" award, we can all be happy.

And, most importantly, we can laugh at jokes in good taste.

Bradley Mohnke
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February 19, 2000



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



ACE defends program

We wish to thank the authors of a recent letter for calling attention to the perception that ACE, though "worthwhile and commendable," may represent a last resort for many Notre Dame seniors in the college of Arts and Letters. Our hunch is that this perception is not widely held, but on behalf of the exceptionally generous and talented applicants to ACE, we felt it important to respond.

First, we are heartened that ACE is perceived as a post-graduate service. Indeed, service through teaching is fundamental to ACE's identity and mission. At the same time, ACE provides its participants with a first-rate graduate degree and two years of employment experience, in large part so that their service may be as effective as possible and be connected to the discernment of their professional calling, be that in education or some other area.

This year's applicants to ACE are similar to their forerunners in that they have multiple options for employment, professional school, and other graduate programs — this fact is one reason why their generosity is so moving; ACE teachers give abundantly. They also receive abundantly, not so much in economic terms (though a tuition-free Notre Dame master's degree is no trivial benefit) as in the challenges that lead to personal, professional and spiritual growth.

ACE alumni have achieved professional success in diverse fields. The majority have stayed in Catholic education to this point, but former ACE teachers are currently enrolled in graduate, law and medical schools at some of the nation's most prestigious institutions (Harvard, Stanford and Duke to name a few). Others have entered corporate America with great success. Many have returned to work at Notre Dame. Most claim that teaching is the hardest thing they've ever done, and they're grateful for the experience.

Both Jake and Ashley were correct in stating that liberal arts students are well rounded and possess a diverse array of skills and abilities suitable for many career opportunities. Recently, The Career Center has initiated some exciting career programs and services for Arts & Letters students that may not yet be known by the wider campus community.

For example, we hired a new A&L career counselor to expand individual career advising and group programming on campus. We created a special Arts & Letters career newsletter featuring two fall editions with internship listings, job leads, career exploration information and rel-

evant web sites. We implemented new Career Center on-call hours for A&L students in O'Shaughnessy and LaFortune Halls every Monday afternoon.

We increased the number of liberal arts students who scheduled individual appointments during fall semester from 307 in 1995 to 552 this past fall semester. Our internship job fair featured a new "resume drop" that increased the number of summer opportunities for students. Currently, we are planning an A&L Job Fair and have early commitments from such organizations as the U.S. Department of Justice, ABC News, ESPN, John Wiley Publishing, Brown & Wood International Law, Easter Seals, Chicago Tribune, U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission and many others.

These are only a few examples of The Career Center's future direction. Many non-business employers hire A&L graduates in April, May and even after graduation. Non-profit organizations, advertising/public relations agencies, educational institutions, international companies, public policy think tanks and publishing houses are examples of "just in time" recruiters. That means most of these employers do not hire in advance like banks and consulting firms.

Thus, many A&L prospective employers do not visit many college campuses. However, it will continue to be our duty to find these career opportunities and communicate the application strategies to A&L students. We also need to tap into the Notre Dame alumni network to gain contacts and career leads that will open doors to the "hidden job market."

Finally, it is important to note that many candidates for ACE do not hail from the college of Arts and Letters. This year we have applicants from every college at Notre Dame, including Engineering and Architecture. Three chemical engineering majors from last year (graduates with many options) currently teach with ACE, including the University's valedictorian. From its inception, ACE has been blessed with widespread interest across the campus. We are humbly grateful and can only hope and pray that this trend continues.

Lee Svete
Director
The Career Center

John Staud
Administrative Director
Alliance for Catholic Education

February 17, 2000

Violation made unknowingly

The first news that I received of an Election Day violation was a phone call from The Observer between 9-10 p.m. Thursday night.

I was shocked to hear that an e-mail I wrote to my friends, my section mates and my business group members would disqualify the Hanover/Micek ticket. I have known Hunt Hanover since I was his Freshman Retreat Leader my sophomore year. After that, we participated on NDE together and have kept in contact ever since. I sent out that e-mail because I wanted to let my friends know that I knew Hunt and that I thought he was a great guy. It was not intended to be campaign material. In the e-mail, I encouraged my friends to simply vote, no matter which candidates they picked. The e-mail that I sent out was of my own doing and the Hanover/Micek ticket never asked me to send it. Having no affiliation with student government, I never knew that it was against election bylaws to e-mail individuals in regard to the election.

The main reason that I did not know these rules is that the election bylaws are not distributed to students. This bylaw, that neither I

nor the rest of the student body was aware of, was only passed two weeks ago.

Another bylaw that I was not aware of, as I am sure is the case of the majority of Notre Dame students, is that you cannot send e-mails or anything else that is considered campaigning after midnight the day of the election. Because I was not aware of this, and because I sent out my e-mail less than three hours after the deadline, it was considered another violation of the bylaws.

I hope that you, the Judicial Council and student body, understand my actions and see that it was never my intention or desire to bend or break any campaign rules. I just wish that someone would have informed Notre Dame students of these rules so that a situation, like this one, would have never occurred.

Michael Fairchild
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February 19, 2000

Ivers sends message of hope, community

Father Mike Ivers spoke a message of hope about a vibrant Catholic community last week. We were among the many students and teachers who attended an incredibly inspiring and challenging talk last Tuesday entitled "Call to be Church After Church in the African-American Community."

Father Mike is pastor of St. Agatha's, an African-American parish in inner city Chicago. St. Agatha's is situated in a neighborhood that many would be ready to reject as violent and hopeless — 49 percent of residents live below the poverty line, 67 percent of students drop out of local high schools and gangs are an all too tragic reality.

But the parishioners have responded to these challenges by providing safe places for youth, educational assistance and parenting classes and countless other outreach and support programs. As Father Mike describes, the St. Agatha's community strives to continue "Church After Church." Dance, music, drama and preaching shape the celebration of Sunday liturgy, and each parishioner regularly reaches out to welcome new members into this thriving Catholic community. Father Mike remarks that, "The streets of Chicago are ALIVE" with the Spirit of Christ, and he encourages the Notre Dame community to share in St. Agatha's mission. We are challenged to face racism, sexism and violence with the courage and compassion modeled by Jesus Christ.

Given this energizing message, we were disappointed by the representation of Father Mike's speech in The Observer. The article focused almost solely on a comment by Father Mike that the Catholic Church is a "racist and sexist institution."

We respond today in order to clarify this remark, and also to lift up the message of hope that was the heart of Father Mike's speech. In Luke 5:4, Jesus urges the disciples to, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Father Mike suggests that we too must push beyond our normal comfortable circles and delve into "deep waters" to foster relationships and build community. Father Mike did in fact say that the Church is a racist and sexist institution. Since we make up this Church, we need to go into the deep water and address these issues.

Witnessing the example of Father Mike, who has given his whole life to service and love for this very Church, we recognize that he is willing to honestly acknowledge the Church's shortcomings. Such recognition facilitates the growth that the Church needs, as is evident in

parishes such as St. Agatha's. The history of a Church that once owned slaves and the pain of women who yearn for the opportunity to serve the Church as priests are not easy issues to face and discuss. But Father Mike states that "there can be no renewal without reconciliation." The first step toward this reconciliation is recognizing the sins of racism and sexism.

And we can start here at Notre Dame. Father Mike welcomes many students to share in the community of St. Agatha's and he challenges us all to action. We are called to be the Church even after Church. This means confronting difficult issues and struggling into the deep water. Here we must each lower our nets in an effort to harvest relationships that will fulfill the demanding vision presented by Christ.

Let's build the community and begin the conversation.

Lynette Grypp
Senior
Howard Hall
Sheila Provencher
M.Div.
Off-Campus
Beau Schweitzer
Senior
Off-Campus
Don McNeill, C.S.C.
Director
Center for Social Concerns
Andrea Smith-Shappell
Director Senior Transitions
Center for Social Concerns
Jennifer Grubb
Senior
Welsh Family Hall
Nora Jones
Sophomore
Farley Hall
Katie McDonough
Junior
Howard Hall
Patrick Parks
Junior
Dillon Hall
Rona Reodica
Senior
Walsh Hall
Carin Weingarten
Junior
Cavanaugh Hall

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London upstages ND

Featuring five of England's best actors, the Actors from the London Stage theater troupe caps off its stay in Northern Indiana at Washington Hall

◆ British acting troupe educates Michiana and performs Shakespeare on ND tour stop

By LOUBEL CRUZ
Scene Writer

Although it is not as popular or as frequently performed as Shakespeare's other classics, "All's Well That Ends Well" brings its own

All's Well That Ends Well

◆ Where: Washington Hall

◆ When: Wed. - Sat., 7:30 p.m.

◆ Tickets: \$16; \$14 for students and senior citizens

unique identity to the theater stage. The play is categorized not as a tragedy or as a classic comedy, like many of its legendary predecessors, but as a "problem play," with prominent themes like the conflicts between old and new, age and youth, wisdom and stupidity, reason and passion.

Therefore, it would be fitting that the King proclaims, "All yet seems well," during the course of the play. In "All's Well," Shakespeare collects old customs, devices and characters to create a new fairy tale, with a mark of tradition and revealing insights.

Notre Dame students will have the rare opportunity to see five of Britain's best actors perform

"All's Well That Ends Well" when it continues its run on the main stage of Washington Hall Wednesday through Saturday. The talented troupe is the Actors from the London Stage, who have been invited by the Film, Television and Theatre department for a two-week residency during which they will visit more than 50 classes at Notre Dame, Saint Mary's, Indiana University South Bend and 11 area high schools. The actors will also present three lecture/recitals and six performances of "All's Well That Ends Well."

"Actors from the London Stage is unique in that it is a performing troupe whose created mission is pedagogical," said Tom Barkes of Washington Hall. "They spend more time in the classroom when they are here than on stage performing."

The goal of the Actors from the London Stage is to help unlock the mysteries of Shakespeare's English with

their main focus being the language — what it means and what it demands from the actors. By the end of their two week residency, the actors will have met the classes of 43 teachers and professors, actually asking students to get up and perform scenes and act as characters.

"I would hope that they [the students] would experience the joy of Shakespeare," said Barkes. "I hope that students learn that Shakespeare wrote about real people who express real emotion that is relevant today as when it was written."

In "All's Well That Ends Well," like in many of their previous performances, the Actors from the London Stage has only five actors to perform all the parts. With simple costume changes and minimal set, the actors transform from character to character without leaving the stage, giving the audience a unique perspective on the craft of acting.

"When we begin a play, we start from scratch," said Paul McCleary, a member of the Actors from the London Stage. "No one tells us this is the way it should be done. It is a group of actors who get together and decide which is the best way to perform the play."

"The idea of minimal props and costumes puts the focus on the actors and the script. It is up to us how to create the whole atmosphere closer to how

Shakespeare performed it in his time," said McCleary.

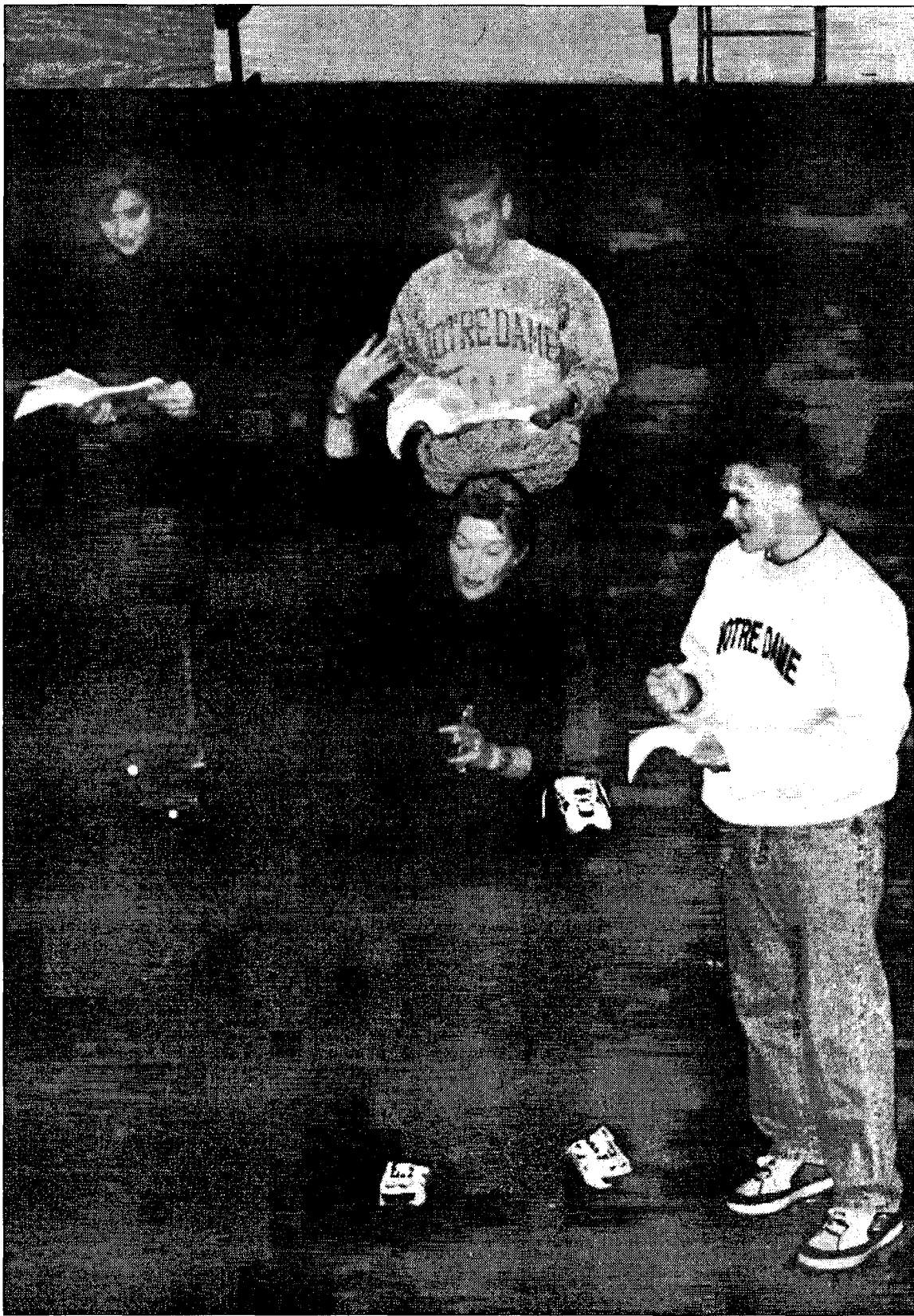
This play is one that the actors are especially excited about because it is not frequently performed.

"All's Well

That Ends Well' is a complex love story, full of various types of redemption and love," said Eunice Roberts, a member of Actors from the London Stage. "Students should take this opportunity to see this play because it is so rarely performed."

"All Well" takes place in 16th century France and Italy and begins when Bertram, Count of Rousillon, is called to the court to serve the King of France, who is ill of a disease all the royal physicians have failed to cure. In the entire country, the only doctor who might cure the king is now dead. On his deathbed, he gives to his only daughter, Helena, his books and papers describing the cures for all common and rare diseases, among them the one suffered by the king.

Helena is the ward to the Countess of Rousillon, who thinks of her as a daughter. She falls in love with Bertram and wants him for a husband, while



BETSY STOREY/The Observer

Vivien Heilbron (center) leads a theater class Thursday in Washington Hall. As a member of the Actors from the London Stage theater troupe, Heilbron is completing a two-week stay in the Michiana area, where she and four other actors have been teaching Shakespeare at local high schools and colleges.

Bertram considers Helena only slightly above a servant and would not consider her for a wife.

The story takes on a twist when Helena hits upon a plot to gain Bertram for a mate in such a fashion as to leave him no choice in the matter.

With her knowledge of the king's illness, she journeys to the court and by offering her life

as forfeit if she fails, she gains the king's consent to try her father's cure for him.

"It is somewhat of an advantage not to know the story line of this play when you come to see it ... The ending is not something you would expect ..."

Paul McCleary
actor

wins, the young lord of her choice is to be given to her in marriage. Helena cures the King, and asks for Bertram for her husband, who refuses the proposal. What follows is part farce-comedy and part serious insight, which por-

trays the blindness brought about by prejudices formed.

Roberts, now in her fifth tour, plays three parts in the play, including two male, believes that this play will "bring a new insight to Shakespeare for the audience."

McCleary, who first started working with the Actors from the London Stage in 1997, plays the King of France as one of his two parts.

"It is somewhat of an advantage not to know the story line of this play when you come to see it," said McCleary. "The ending is not something you would expect and you don't know what will happen. It's just good fun."

THEATER REVIEW



Photo courtesy of Laurie Asprey

(Left to right) Roger May, Polly Pritchett, Eunice Roberts, Paul McCleary and Viven Heilbron make up the cast of "All's Well That Ends Well," an ACTER tour production.

'All's Well That Ends Well?' — Depends on who you ask

By BRIAN SEAMAN
Scene Theater Critic

It is almost as inevitable as the pristine South Quad snow becoming a slushy dirty mess. Yes, once again, Actors from the London Stage (add English accent here) have waged a British invasion on the stage of Washington Hall.

Landing on the Notre Dame campus for the second time in four years (previously with "A Midsummer Night's Dream"), these acting Brits have opened up the same bag of tricks — a white-taped outline on the stage, a few simple chairs for a set, very minimal costuming and five very British accents.

This year, the white-taped acting space contains five actors playing out "All's Well That Ends Well," one of Shakespeare's lesser known comedies. Telling the story of misplaced love complicated by the struggles of class and court, this play continued the staging and acting precedents laid by the troupe after its last visit.

In order to cover the needs of the script and to play the dozen or so characters involved in the play, the five actors quite deftly executed some fancy footwork and quick costume changes. One actress morphed from a conscientious mother to a less caring guard by merely buttoning up a flap of her frock.

While for the well-read Shakespearean scholar this very theatrical and witty staging technique could be exciting, these lightning fast shifts of characters were disorienting, thereby causing the plot to become murky.

While many in attendance were Core class students who had priorly read the play, much of the audience had no such prior knowledge of the plot. Despite a short synopsis being printed in the program, the theatrical convention of character-shifting and lack of physical placement through sets left much of the facts of the story cloudy.

This was extremely unfortunate, for this confusion for the audience created a rift between the actors and those in attendance. Since many in the audience were unable to decipher the plot and to discover whom exactly the actors were playing, there was a loss of theatrical excitement in some scenes.

Part of this stagnancy of energy could be

attributed to a unique dynamic caused by the utter simplicity of the production. Watching the actors play characters inside the taped outline and prepare as actors in full view out of it is in a way exciting, yet this lack of spectacle robs the audience in some way of seeing a fully staged work of theater.

A program note states that this simplicity is the very goal of the troupe, not in any way robbing the audience of personal interpretation sometimes limited by director or designer. Yet it seems that this unique interpretation by director or designer is exactly what many audience members come to the theater to see.

As relayed by the actors in a post-show question and answer session, "All's Well that Ends Well" is certainly not the best-written or most action-packed of the Bard's works. For that reason, it would seem fitting to either inject this work with an energetic thematic choice or maybe simply choose another work for this simple format.

Despite the shortcomings of the production as a whole, the most admirable aspect of the play was the extremely strong performances of the five actors. Despite what they personally suggested was not the best written of all Shakespeare works, these actors shifted characters instantaneously and effortlessly.

One of the most impressive aspects of these actors was their ability to change physical carriage to indicate to the audience that the actor was portraying another character. One actor moved from a regal lord to a foppish clown by crinkling his back and walking with a limp to produce an astounding comic turn.

Despite what could be interpreted as a convoluted plot and an odd presentational technique, the extraordinary talent of the performers is reason enough to spend three hours questioning the truth of the title. While many audience members found the staging to be confusing, others left the theater with a new appreciation for five actors and a lesser-known work of Shakespeare.

If at the end of the show, one is able to truly decipher the intricacies of the story and the characters, able to relish in the energy of the performers and able to look past that white border on the stage, it will be a well-spent three hours. It seems that Shakespeare actually knew what he was talking about. All is well that ends well.

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Rapper Snoop Dogg plans to expand his personal interests with a record label, a clothing line, an e-business and a book deal.

Snoop Dogg becomes Renaissance man

NEW YORK

Rapper Snoop Dogg wants to go multimedia. He's launched a new record label, Dogghouse Records, and has plans for a clothing line, an Internet business and a book deal. He also wants to star in and produce films.

"Now is the time for me to have a record label because I've been a player for a long time and have played the game very well," he told the New York Post for Sunday's editions.

"I feel like the direction I'm going in is good for people to follow. If I can lead the whole rap community, why can't I lead a whole record label?"

The rapper says he plans to showcase new acts in home video movies and make their music available for download on his new Web site, www.bigsnoopdogg.com, which is under construction.

Beach Boy Wilson plans solo comeback

NEW YORK

Former Beach Boy Brian Wilson intends to continue performing but has quashed any rumors that he and Paul McCartney would be working together anytime soon.

Wilson, who is often called a recluse, said his anxieties keep him away from doing any more music collaborations.

"Sometimes I think I'm better off not working with anybody else. I can't get over my silly little fears of people," he told TV Guide for its Sunday issue. "There was talk that Paul McCartney and I were going to do something, but I don't think it will happen."

Wilson said he is thinking of doing a live recording and another studio recording later this year.

After day of training, Brooks is exhausted

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla.

The New York Mets gave Garth Brooks a real workout on the first day of training camp.

Brooks began a 34-day stint with the team on Saturday in an effort to raise more money for his Touch 'em All Foundation, which gave \$1.8 million to children's charities in 1999.

During batting practice, the country singer had a tough time trying to match Mike Piazza, who hit a dozen long home runs in about 40 swings.

"I was tired after two swings," Brooks said. "I was swinging for everything I had."

In bunting practice, Brooks whiffed on the first few from the pitching machine before getting some tips from Piazza and settling into the drill. After that, he was so tired that he stopped to sign autographs for more than an hour instead of running wind sprints.

Actress Ledoyen had 'great time' with Leo

NEW YORK

It's hard work kissing Leonardo DiCaprio. Really. That's what DiCaprio's co-star Virginie Ledoyen says about their underwater smooch in the film "The Beach."

"As you can imagine, you can't breathe. So you have to breathe before and then dive down. It's really work. It's hard to make people understand that you're kissing Leo but that it's a job," Ledoyen says in the Feb. 28 issue of People magazine.

The 23-year-old French actress says working with DiCaprio during the four-month shoot in Thailand was a "great time."

"He was very sweet to my family and friends."

NHL

Zhamnov leads Blackhawks over Red Wings, 6-4

Associated Press

CHICAGO
Alexei Zhamnov is back at full speed for the Chicago Blackhawks.

Zhamnov, playing his fifth game after missing eight because of a pulled hamstring, scored two goals in a 6:11 span in the third period as Chicago beat the Detroit Red Wings 6-4 Sunday.

Zhamnov, who also had an assist, gave Chicago a 4-3 lead at 7:08, scoring off a rebound of Tony Amonte's shot. Zhamnov made it 5-3 with 6:41 left, bursting up the slot and beating goalie Ken Wregget on the short side.

"Right now, I'm feeling more comfortable," Zhamnov said. "I think we had a great effort in the third period and had a lot of jump. That's why we beat Detroit."

Detroit's Vyacheslav Kozlov cut it to 5-4 with 6:04 remaining, but Michael Nylander added a power-play goal with 3:06 left as Chicago snapped a three-game losing streak.

Amonte had a goal and two assists for Chicago, and Eric Daze and Josef Marha each had a goal and an assist.

"A lot of games we lack an edge, but today we had an edge," Amonte said. "Everyone was in the game. Detroit brings out the best in us."

Chicago, last in the Western Conference at 20-31-7, finished its season series against the Red Wings at 3-2-1.

Steve Yzerman had a goal and an assist for the Red Wings, who have lost two straight. Brendan Shanahan and Martin Lapointe also scored for Detroit, which outshot Chicago 38-28.

"We had our chances until the third," Detroit coach Scotty Bowman said. "We didn't play that badly, we just didn't put them away when we had the chances."

Detroit outshot Chicago 18-7 in the first period, but managed only a 1-1 tie. Daze opened the scoring for Chicago at 11:16 when he converted Steve Sullivan's feed. Yzerman tied it with 2:56 left in the period off a rebound.

The Blackhawks appeared to take a 2-1 lead with 1:50 remaining in the period when Bob Probert's centering pass was deflected in by Detroit's Mathieu Dandenault.

The goal was disallowed after video review because the back of the net wasn't flat on the ice. However, replays showed Wregget had rocked the net with his glove.

The Red Wings took a 2-1 lead on Shanahan's power-play goal at 2:45 of the second period, but Amonte tied it 1:22 later on a rebound shot that caromed in off Wregget's stick.

Lapointe made it 3-2 at 6:22 of the second, flipping a shot over Jocelyn Thibault's shoulder from the slot. Marha tied it at 2:55 of the third with a 15-foot shot off a pass from Daze.

Stars 2, Avalanche 1

Patience is paying off for Mike Modano and the Dallas Stars.

Modano and Scott Thornton scored goals as Dallas beat the Colorado Avalanche, the defending Stanley Cup champion Stars' seventh victory in nine games.

"It has just been a lot of patience and not really expecting too much going into the game, said Modano, who scored

his 26th goal midway through the third period.

He has 10 goals and nine assists in his last 13 games.

"The streak has come from being very defensive oriented, knowing where we are at on the ice and what position we have on the puck and making smart plays with it," Modano said.

Modano's goal was proof of that patience. Rather than shooting, Sergei Zubov waited for Colorado goalie Marc Denis to go down to the ice before feeding Modano for a better scoring chance.

Ed Belfour made 23 saves for the Stars, allowing only Alex Tanguay's power-play goal with 11 seconds remaining.

"I thought we played a very strong game," Dallas coach Ken Hitchcock said. "We saw what Colorado did the last couple of games offensively and knew we had to check pretty well if we were going to win."

Colorado's second-ranked power-play unit was 1-for-4 and managed only four shots with the man advantage.

Backup Marc Denis made 28 saves for the Avalanche. He started in place of Patrick Roy, sidelined by a groin injury.

"We're coming off a tough road trip and had to face Dallas," Colorado center Peter Forsberg said. "We couldn't get anything going."

Dallas dominated play for the first two periods, outshooting the Avalanche 12-10, but managed only a 1-0 lead on Thornton's third goal of the season midway through the first period.

The Stars didn't allow Colorado a shot on goal until six minutes into the game, with Belfour easily turning Stephane

Yelle's deflection from the front of the crease.

Thornton's goal, his first since Dec. 20, was the result of Chris Drury's inability to clear the puck past Richard Matvichuk. Thornton beat everyone to the puck and tucked it behind Denis, who was out of position after stopping Brett Hull's shot.

The Stars, the NHL's top penalty-killing team, faced only two shots in killing two penalties in a scoreless second period.

"We had a hard time generating offense, but we made their job fairly easy," Colorado coach Bob Hartley said. "Our legs were not moving and we always seemed to be on the outside and never challenged the middle."

Flyers 3, Rangers 2

Facing the impending departure of Roger Neilson has weighed on the minds of the Philadelphia Flyers. Now that he is no longer with the team, the Flyers are ready to show just how good they are.

John LeClair's 30th goal midway through the third period capped a two-goal rally Sunday night as the Flyers beat the New York Rangers in the first game without their cancer-stricken coach.

"It was a big win for us," said coach Craig Ramsay, leading the team in Neilson's absence. "The guys really played hard in the third."

Neilson, 65, has multiple myeloma — a rare form of bone marrow cancer — and will be away for the remainder of the regular season and at least through one round of playoffs while undergoing treatment.

"It's really been incredible," Ramsay said. "I can't even

imagine how anyone could have done a better job when he made the final talk to the players about him being out and not being able to come along."

Neilson wanted to keep coaching through this week, but doctors advised against it.

"I think we were well-prepared for this," Ramsay said. "Maybe it came a little bit sooner, but we were prepared for what was going to happen. Roger's done a magnificent job from Day 1 of finding out about the disease, getting everybody ready."

The Flyers, 13-9-7 since Neilson was diagnosed Dec. 9, won two straight for the first time since Jan. 8-11.

Neilson's last game behind the bench was a 4-2 victory Saturday over Washington.

"We've had discussions, and we really wanted to get out of this [slump]," said Mikael Renberg, who scored at 4:07 of the third to tie it at 2.

"It's a positive feeling within the team now," Renberg said. "Of course, we wish Roger all the best and we think about him, but we know we have to look forward now."

Renberg did notice some changes with Ramsay calling the shots.

"Everybody had a chance to get into the game," Renberg said. "In crucial situations, at the end of periods, he used our big guys but that's OK."

LeClair became just the third Flyers player to record five straight 30-goal seasons when he put Philadelphia ahead 7-41 into the final period.

Keith Jones passed to LeClair at the right of Rangers goalie Kirk McLean and LeClair knocked it in.

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MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

No. 24 Jayhawks shut down Najera, defeat No. 20 Sooners

Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. Those 10 points by Oklahoma's Eduardo Najera against Nebraska last Monday night no longer are his lowest output of the season.

The eight he managed against Kansas on Sunday are.

Holding the 6-foot-8 Najera to his worst game of the season, the Jayhawks (No. 21 ESPN/USA Today, No. 24 AP) survived terrible free-throw shooting and held on for a 53-50 victory over the Sooners (No. 19 ESPN/USA Today, No. 20 AP) and their slumping star.

"We knew we had to contain Najera," Kansas forward Kenny Gregory said. "We just kept trying to [help out] and keep doubling down on him. We knew we had to contain him on the inside."

Kirk Hinrich's free throw was the only point Kansas (19-7, 8-4 Big 12) scored in the final 4:19 and the Jayhawks missed four straight foul shots in the final minutes.

But after Oklahoma (20-5, 8-4) rebounded Jeff Boschee's second miss with 29 seconds to go and started down court, Najera lost the ball out of bounds. A few seconds later, Hinrich hit one foul shot, making it 53-50.

Oklahoma's Kelly Newton missed two 3-pointers in the final seconds as Kansas avoided what would have been its first two-game home losing streak in 12 years.

"I was not very aggressive today, especially down the stretch," said Najera, the Big 12's second-leading scorer with 19 points per game.

He was only 3-for-12 from the floor. But his turnover after Boschee's missed field goal was the killer.

"That was a huge possession for us," Najera said. "That was the game right there, that play, that turnover."

Has Oklahoma's star player, who has totaled only 18 points the past two games, slipped into a shooting slump?

"I didn't know he was in a shooting slump," Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said.

Could he be tired?
"He's not tired," Sampson said. "He just didn't play very well."

Oklahoma's Nolan Johnson said the constant attention he draws every game could be draining his strength, however.

"He didn't have one of his better games, but he gets a lot of double and triple teams," Johnson said. "And that probably wears on him."

"He just didn't play very well," Sampson said.

Drew Gooden's jumper put the Jayhawks on top 52-48, and 40 seconds later Johnson's short jumper made it 52-50.

The teams spent the rest of the game trading turnovers and missing shots until Hinrich hit his foul shot with 14 seconds to go. But Oklahoma — shooting only 33 percent for the game —

failed to take advantage of the many opportunities Kansas handed out and got outbonded 50-36.

Vanderbilt 85,

No. 6 Tennessee 72

Anthony Williams had 22 points and 12 rebounds to lead Vanderbilt over Tennessee, Saturday, giving the Commodores a sweep of the season series for the first time in six years.

The Commodores (17-6, 7-5 Southeastern Conference) shot well (53 percent) and took excellent care of the ball, committing only seven turnovers. As a result, they did not need another monster night from SEC scoring leader Dan Langhi, who had 31 in the first meeting at Knoxville but settled for 17 Saturday, including a monster slam at the buzzer that sent the Vandy students screaming onto the floor to celebrate.

James Strong added 15 points for the Commodores.

Tennessee (21-4, 9-3) shot just 39 percent from the floor in falling back into a four-way tie with Kentucky, Florida and Auburn for the SEC lead. The Vols launched 29 3-point attempts and hit seven (24 percent). They also got a terrible performance from leading scorer Tony Harris (15.3 ppg), who was 1-of-14 from the field and finished with three points to go with one assist and three turnovers.

Vincent Yarbrough led the Vols with 25 points. Ron Slay had 13 and Terrence Woods added 10, all in the first half.

Tennessee came into the game as the league's best road team at 7-1.

The Vols had won three straight and seven of their last eight, but had no answer for Williams. The 6-foot-7 junior, primarily an inside player, got off to an auspicious start when he banked in an 18-footer on his first shot.

The game was tied 29-all late in the first half before Vanderbilt closed the half with a 12-4 spurt to lead 41-33 at the break.

Tennessee cut it to five points on a three-point play by Yarbrough with just under 13 minutes to go.

No. 7 Ohio State 82,

Indiana 71

Michael Redd and Ohio State muscled their way past Indiana.

Redd scored a season-high 28 points, including five free throws in the final two minutes, as the No. 7 Buckeyes held off the No. 10 Hoosiers in their foul-plagued Big Ten showdown.

Redd added 10 rebounds. George Reese also had a double-double for Ohio State with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

The 6-foot-6 Redd said he felt confident no matter who Indiana used to defend him.

"That's the confidence I have," said Redd, who was 8-for-16 from the field and hit 11-of-15

free throws.

Miami 63, No. 18 Connecticut 57

Elton Tyler scored 22 points, including the go-ahead basket late in the second half, as Miami rallied from 13 points down to beat No. 18 Connecticut.

For the second year in a row, the defending national champs were unable to cash in on their home court against the Hurricanes. Miami (16-9, 9-3 Big East) beat the Huskies (18-7, 7-5) by a bucket in their previous meeting at Gampel Pavilion.

The 'Canes erased a 28-23 halftime deficit in a hurry. Johnny Hemsley and Tyler combined for five points with less than a minute gone. Mario Bland scored his first six points of the game over the next five minutes in a 17-9 Miami run for a 40-37 Hurricane lead.

The teams traded baskets over the next five minutes and UConn worked its way back into the lead at 46-45 on Jake Voskuhl's dunk. After Hemsley's free throw evened the score at 9:04, Tyler took a backdoor feed for an easy bucket to put Miami up for good 48-46 with 7:40 left. The Huskies got within a point, 53-52 on a pair of free throws by Khalid El-Amin with 5:06 left.

It was all UConn in the opening minutes. The Huskies struck quickly with a 14-2 run in the first four minutes by dominating the offensive boards. Edmund Saunders, Kevin Freeman and El-Amin scored UConn's first six points off offensive rebounds.



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with 17.3 seconds left, bringing the Irish to within three points of the Knights, 65-62. The second came off an Irish rebound when the Knights' Tasha Pointer missed a foul shot.

"For a freshman to come in and make two clutch threes — that's something you don't see everyday," said Ruth Riley. "She really stepped up for us."

As the clock ran down to 3.6 seconds, the Knights triple-teamed Ratay, but the freshman found an opening and hit nothing but net to tie the game 65-65.

Ratay went 7-for-7 from behind the arc during the contest, setting a Big East shooting record.

"As soon Alicia made the shot and sent us to overtime,

we knew we were going to win," Siemon said. "There was no way we were going to come from behind like that and then lose to Rutgers."

The Knights weren't about to concede defeat, however, as they forced the Irish to again battle back from behind in overtime for the win.

Riley, who along with Ratay, scored 26 points, converted on a three-point play to give the Irish a quick 68-65 lead, but the Knights answered with six consecutive points for the 71-68 edge.

The Irish countered with a 6-0 run of their own that tipped the scale back in Notre Dame's favor, 74-71, with just more than a minute to play.

When Pointer nailed a 3-pointer to tie the game with 46 seconds left to play, Ratay stepped up for the Irish again.

The Irish took possession of the ball and found Riley in the paint, but the junior missed the basket. Ratay grabbed the weak-side rebound and went up hard, drawing the foul.

As poised at the line as she was from 3-point land, Ratay nailed her two free-throws, sealing the Irish 76-74 win.

The Irish win came after a

rocky first half of play. The Irish hit six 3-pointers and led with a 29-10 run in the opening minutes of the first half, forcing the Knights into 13 straight missed shots.

"We executed really well at the beginning of the game and hit our shots," Siemon said. "Defensively, we shut down their offense and stopped their penetration."

The Knights slowly whittled down the Irish lead, however, ending the half with a 12-3 run of their own bringing them within 10. A 15-3 run, sparked by the Knights' Shawnetta Stewart's three 3-pointers in four possessions, gave Rutgers the lead midway through the second half.

"Ruth got two fouls and had to sit out. They started to score and we were having trouble getting the ball inside," said Siemon, explaining Notre Dame's failure to keep the lead. "They took advantage of the inside and played well off the fast break."

The win boosts Notre Dame's record to 23-2 overall and 14-0 in the Big East, while Rutgers fell to 17-6 on the season.

WOMEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

Rutgers extends Stringer's contract

Associated Press

C. Vivian Stringer, who has transformed Rutgers (No. 11 ESPN/USA Today; No. 8 AP) into a national power, was given a three-year contract extension Friday, making her one of the highest-paid coaches in women's college basketball.

The contract revises the final three years of her existing seven-year contract signed in 1995 and adds three years, keeping her under contract until 2005, athletic director Robert Mulcahy said at a news con-

ference in Piscataway, N.J.

Stringer will earn a base salary of \$175,000, while the total package is worth \$400,000 annually when money from a basketball camp, public relations and promotions and cost-of-living expenses are added in. There also are bonuses for accomplishments, such as winning a Big East Conference title or NCAA championship, Mulcahy said.

"I consider Vivian to be the top coach in the country," Mulcahy said. "Her record has demonstrated that, and I felt she should be paid on a par with the top coaches in the country."

Rutgers (17-7, 9-5 Big East) is on the verge of posting its third straight 20-win season and earning its third consecutive NCAA Tournament berth.

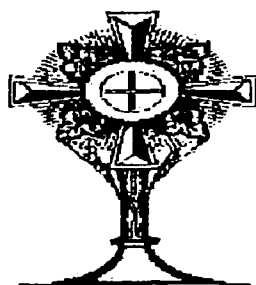


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Upset

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half.

"Coach ran some plays that we knew would work against the Seton Hall defense, and the guys were getting me some looks," said Murphy, a New Jersey native. "I was home. It's nice because you look up in the stands and see a bunch of people who you know."

"Troy just had an unbelievable game, so we kind of rode his shoulders the entire game," Graves said.

Seton Hall kept the game interesting as it held Murphy scoreless for the final 4:49.

The Pirates staged a late comeback, with guards Shaheen Holloway and Rimas Kaukenas leading a 10-0 run on their 3-point shots. Ty Shine stole the ball

and drove for a fast-break layup, giving the Pirates a 72-71 lead with 1:54 remaining.

"I felt that we were going to win the game," said freshman Ivan Kartelo, who scored eight points on 4-for-5 shooting, dragged down eight rebounds and added two blocks. "We were confident. We were playing together."

It was Graves, not Murphy, who secured the victory for the Irish. He swished a 3-pointer to put the Irish back in the lead 74-74 with 1:36 to go.

Seton Hall's Samuel Dalembert, who had 18 points in the game, missed two free throws with 1:22 to go.

On Notre Dame's next time

down the floor, Murphy missed a jump shot under intense guarding. Kaukenas, Seton Hall's leading scorer, tied the game on a layup with 37.5 seconds remaining.

With the shot clock nearly the same as the game clock, the Irish kept the ball at the top of the key until the final seconds. As time wound down, freshman guard Matt Carroll tried for a trey. The shot was short, bouncing off the rim.

Graves grabbed the rebound and hit the final jump shot with .3 seconds remaining as Notre Dame took a 76-74 advantage. Pirates' coach

T o m m y A m a k e r didn't think Graves' shot should count, arguing that the shot clock had expired and that Carroll's shot never hit the rim. As officials checked the replay, it was clear Carroll's miss

bounced off the rim, so Graves' bucket was good.

"The last play, it just bounced my way and I threw it up there, and luckily, the shot went in," Graves said.

Seton Hall threw a baseball pass in an attempt to get a final shot off, but Murphy knocked the pass away, giving the Irish reason to celebrate.

"When you play together and play hard, you can do anything," Kartelo said. "You can beat anybody."

With the victory, Notre Dame rose to fifth place in the Big East standings. Both Notre Dame and Connecticut hold a 7-5 league record, but the Irish are ahead of the Huskies

thanks to two wins in their meetings.

"We're playing with a lot of confidence," Murphy said. "We've beaten two top-25 teams in a row, and that should help us with getting into the tournament. I think if we can get a couple more wins, we should be in pretty good shape."

The victory also strengthened Irish hopes of NCAA tournament play.

"We have tough games to play, and we just have to go out there one game at a time and play hard," Graves said. "The best thing about this team is that we're peaking at the right time. I really think we have our best basketball ahead of us."

After a strong start, the Irish fell behind by seven at the break. Seton Hall outrebounded Notre Dame 19-14 in the first half, also getting extra attempts at the free throw line.

But the Irish turned things around in the second half, going on a 19-2 streak to put the Pirates away. Graves knocked down one of his three 3-pointers and Murphy added nine during the run. By the time Seton Hall scored again, Notre Dame had taken a 62-51 lead.

Notre Dame staved off a Seton Hall comeback with the confidence from beating defending national champion Connecticut a week before at home.

Game notes

♦ The Irish shot 49.2 percent in the game, compared to 39.1 percent for the Pirates.

♦ Senior point guard Jimmy Dillon dished off nine assists in the game.

♦ Dalembert was a formidable defender for the Pirates, batting down six Irish shots with blocks.

MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

Suspended Przybilla leaves Minnesota

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Joel Przybilla says he's through with college basketball and is ready for the NBA.

The 7-foot-1 sophomore center was suspended last Tuesday by Minnesota men's basketball coach Dan Monson for skipping classes.



Przybilla

Speaking publicly Saturday for the first time since his suspension, Przybilla blamed his suspension on a lack of communication and said he would not return to the team.

Przybilla told the Star Tribune his father, Doug, is hiring an agent and that they will take whatever steps the agent recommends in an effort to make him a lottery pick in the NBA draft June 6 in Minneapolis.

"I made a mistake by not attending classes on a regular basis," the 20-year-old Monticello, Minn., native said, but he added he wasn't worried about his grades. "My GPA was over 2.0, so there was no danger of being ineligible to play."

He said he was surprised Monson suspended him.

"True, coach Monson had warned me about going to class, but I thought he made a bigger thing out of it than it really was," he said. "I think we had a lack of communication, coach Monson and myself, and that seemed to be the problem all season."

He said he didn't want to be critical of Monson but that they "seldom talked."

Monson confirmed Przybilla was not in danger of becoming ineligible under NCAA rules, but said his leading scorer had plenty of warning.

"Obviously, I'm not going to get into a debate in the media about it. On this, we had more communication than with any other player," Monson told the newspaper.

The Gophers lost their past two games without Przybilla, who averaged 14.2 points and 8.4 rebounds per game. They

were beaten by Purdue 97-61 Saturday in West Lafayette, Ind.

Przybilla averaged 17.2 points per game in Big Ten play and led the conference in field-goal percentage (.614) and rebounds per game (11.2).

"My real feelings right now ... are for the 10 guys that have to go to West Lafayette and endure something like yesterday. That's where I feel the most disappointed," Monson told WCCO Radio on Sunday.

Monson replaced Clem Haskins, who recruited Przybilla and coached him last season but left the university after widespread academic fraud was found in the men's basketball program.

"I'm sure that if Clem Haskins was still coaching the team, I would still be playing basketball for Minnesota," Przybilla said. "Clem and I had a great relationship. I promised Clem when he recruited me that I would spend four years at Minnesota, and that was my plan. However, it was Clem who suggested that if I had a great junior season it might be smart to maybe turn pro."

Przybilla said he never gave any thought to transferring when Haskins left.

"At that time I had no idea but to play four years at Minnesota and then turn pro," he said.

But Przybilla is convinced he is ready to play in the NBA now.

"My dad has visited on the phone with several agents in the last 24 or 48 hours since we made our final decision, and the agents tell my father that I will definitely be a lottery pick," he said.

Monson told WCCO he wished Przybilla well in the draft, but said agents are part of the problem with college sports today.

"Obviously the agents are going to tell these athletes what they want to hear, and that's something that's unfortunate," Monson said.

Przybilla said the negative reaction to his leaving school had been far stronger than what he expected.

"People are pretty upset with me, but I had to do what I had to do," he said. "I've been hiding out at my girlfriend's house and different places because of the reaction."

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WOMEN'S BIG EAST SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Parents experience struggle, triumph with daughters

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Editor

UNIONDALE, N.Y.

When the members of the 2000 senior class walked out of the pool Saturday night, they said goodbye to four years of Big East victories, friendship in and out of the pool, and began to face a life without swimming.

In the stands, parents stood with tears of pride, also bidding goodbye to the sport they had spent the last two decades of their life supporting. For them, too, it would mean facing a life without swimming.

While the swimmers will remember years of training, hard-earned victories and sorrowful defeats, the parents' memories will differ. They will remember years of waking up at the crack of dawn to drive their daughters to early-morning practices, stocking cabinets with spaghetti for pre-meet nutrition, and cheering wildly from the stands, watching nervously for the finish.

They will remember their daughters' acceptances to Notre Dame, and they will remember watching their daughters step onto the podium as the Big East champions for four years running.

With that many memories, it can be hard to imagine anything else — exactly the reason that many of the 2000 women's swimming and diving senior parents are having a hard time letting go as well.

"[When I was watching tonight] I was sad thinking that I wouldn't get to be here next year," said Shari Suddarth, mother of Shannon Suddarth. "This is her last swim at the Big East. ... I'm used to always having a competitor in the family, and now there won't be one."

For those families who watched their last meet this weekend, making adjustments to years of scheduling and annual meets will be a difficult adjustment.

"This thing has been an annual ritual this time of year for us," said Rick Barger, father of co-captain Elizabeth Barger. "It's going to be hard to stop that lifetime rhythm."

Having watched his daughter compete in meets from the

age of 6, swim meets have dictated the calendar for several years in the Barger family.

Not that he minds the change. He did admit a cruise with his wife would be a welcome change instead of the annual journey to the Big East Championship. But he will miss cheering on his daughter.

"I'm her biggest cheerleader," he said. "I get so pumped when she swims. I swam in college, too, but I get far more nervous for her swims than I ever did for my own."

Sitting in the stands this weekend, many parents were biting their nails as their daughters pulled out the close races. Often coming down to the split seconds of a finish, leaning over the rails and screaming wildly isn't unusual behavior for a swimming parent.

But for Marie and Ken Kettlehohn, their fear while watching daughter Gina Kettlehohn compete is more deeply-founded. Having watched her compete in diving for nine years, Marie watches with pride and nervous anticipation.

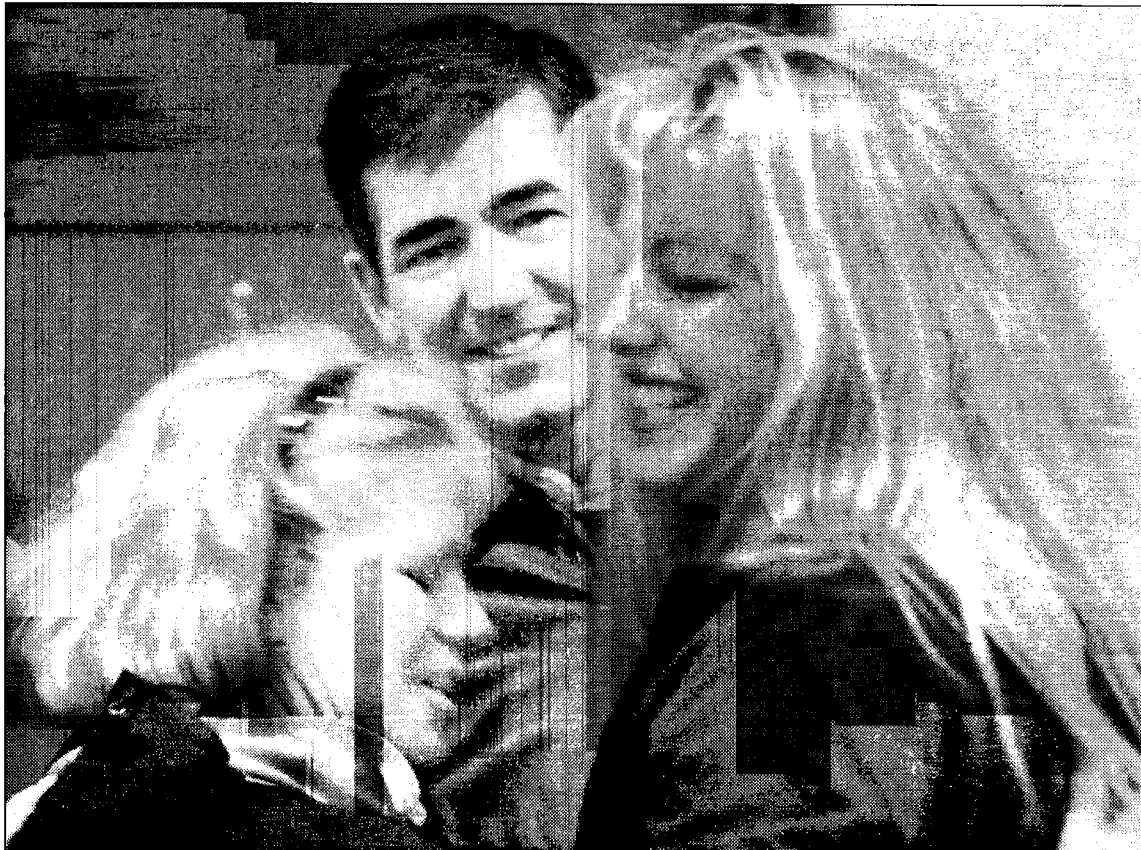
"It's very nerve wracking," Marie said. "We're always very nervous, just praying she won't get hurt. With diving it's different — we're hoping she won't get hurt above anything."

While the swimmers will also leave friends from the pool, the parents also get ready to say goodbye to the friends they've formed over the years. After four years of donning blue and gold from the stands, the Notre Dame swimming parent contingent is a tight group.

"We're really going to miss the camaraderie of the parents here," said Bettie Newell, mother of Alison Newell. "We've become a very close-knit group through all of this."

But they won't say goodbye completely. "We cook dinner at the girls' house together. We go to football games together," Bettie said. "In the fall, that won't end."

But as they stood together for the last time as a group, decked in Notre Dame t-shirts, green plastic hats and video cameras slung over one shoulder,



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Senior Shannon Suddarth embraces her parents after the final Big East Championship of her Irish career.

der, there was only one thought on their minds — their daughters.

And that won't change.

"We are very, very proud," said Sue Shepard, mother of Laura Shepard. "We've shared all of the joys, the successes,

and the disappointments with her. We've juggled so many things to support her. ... This is a grand finish."

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for a long time."

Junior Carrie Nixon continued her championship performance, registering three individual wins, four relay wins, five Big East and Notre Dame records, three NCAA automatic qualifying times, and 2000 Big East Swimmer of the Year honors.

"This was an honor that I never imagined," Nixon said, who now has a list of 12 Big East titles. "I didn't really expect this. It hasn't really hit me yet."

Nixon opened her meet registering a win in the 50-yard freestyle Thursday, and continued her championship campaign with a win in the 100-yard butterfly Friday. Noted as a sprinter, Nixon wrapped the weekend with a win in the 100-yard freestyle, winning her heat by two seconds in 49.17, beating her preliminary time by .6 seconds.

Weathers also credited strong finishes from the senior class, who will graduate as the highest-scoring class in Notre Dame swimming history.

"The key ingredient was the senior class," said Weathers, who formed the group as his first recruiting class. "They wanted to win the first year, and they've been set on winning ever since."

"Because we've won before, we know how good it feels," said co-captain Elizabeth Barger. "The seniors on the team are really focused and can teach the group that it comes from a whole team effort."

Senior Shannon Suddarth racked up two breaststroke wins for the Irish, defending her conference titles in the 100 and 200 breaststroke. Senior Alison Newell claimed the 200-yard butterfly in 2 minutes, .71 seconds, followed by teammate Elizabeth Barger in second. Barger also finished second in the 100 butterfly, touching in 55.64. Laura Shepard placed fourth in the 50 freestyle, as well as racking

up two Big East titles in relay events.

Other standouts included sophomore Kelly Hecking, who posted double wins in the 100- and 200-yard backstroke events. Junior Kristen Van Saun exhibited dominance in the distance events, ranking third in the 1,650-yard freestyle and a first place finish in the 500-yard freestyle.

But while the inevitable four-peat loomed in the distance throughout the meet, the team's focus remained on qualifying for NCAA Championships March 16-18 in Indianapolis, Ind. Stressing individual performance over placing, Weathers continually asserted that qualifying for NCAAs was key.

"These girls trained hard and swam fast, and that in itself is motivating," said Weathers. "This is also a very competitive group within itself, and when you're in a competitive group, you want to strive to be effective in that group."

Nixon is currently the only swimmer qualified with automatic times for the championship, which is the highest level of competition in collegiate swimming. Several other swimmers and four relays posted consideration times, however.

The team brought eight athletes to the meet in 1999.

"Having a lot of athletes last year will help us in terms of experience this year," Barger said.

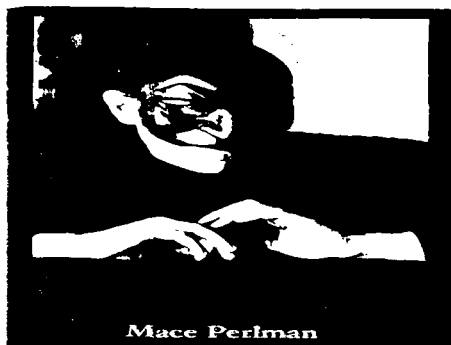
The team will compete at home for the last time this season at the Shamrock Classic, where Weathers hopes the team will post more qualifying times. Weathers has foreseen the team moving to the national level since the onset of the season, focusing on NCAAs during the dual meet season and especially now after Big East Championships are over.

But for now, they'll just celebrate.

"This is definitely overwhelming," Barger said. "It's hard to sit down at all when you're just thinking about celebrating."

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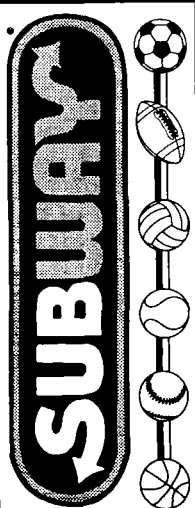
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MEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

Irish capture consecutive second-place finishes

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
Sports Writer

Trailing Rutgers and in third place after the first day of the Big East conference championships, the Notre Dame men's swimming team stepped up its effort to move into second place on Friday and held onto second Saturday.

After finishing second last year at the championship, the Irish made the necessary adjustments to repeat.

"This is what we hoped for," men's swimming coach Tim Welsh said. "We started the year hoping we could defend our second place finish and we are excited that we could do that."

The team's second place finish was the culmination of a meet that saw four Irish swimmers earn NCAA championship consideration times. Focusing on racing faster and getting many Irish swimmers in the finals, the Irish moved into second place Friday.

Senior Ray Fitzpatrick won the 200-yard freestyle event with a time of 1 minute, 38.36 seconds, shaving close to two seconds from his preliminary time and breaking his own University record of 1:38.83. His time also qualified him for the NCAA swimming championships. The win marked Fitzpatrick's first Big East individual title.

Fitzpatrick also played a part in two other relays. The 200-yard individual medley team of Brian Skorney, Michael Koss, Brendan Lechner and Fitzpatrick placed second. Fitzpatrick was also part of the 800-yard freestyle team of Jonathan Pierce, Austin Anderson and Matthew Gruenewald, who placed third.

Other key finishes came from junior Ryan Verlin, who placed fourth in the 400-yard individual medley, Michael Koss and Dan Szilier, who tied for fifth place in the 100-yard breaststroke and Brian Skorney, who finished fifth in the 100-yard backstroke and broke his own University record with a time of 50.54.

The team came into Saturday's competition knowing it was leading Rutgers by 42 points, and feeling that every race was crucial.

"The meet was not over by any means Saturday," Welsh said. "We came in knowing that places two, three and four could change this morning. Those thoughts were with us all day long and we raced well. The team from beginning to end raced beautifully well."

Divers Herbie Huesman and Andy Maggio placed fourth and fifth respectively in Friday's three-meter diving competition after both finishing in the top eight in Thursday's one-meter diving.

"I thought that our divers did

well today," Welsh said. "I thought Herbie and Andy did better than in the one-meter competition on Friday as well."

Key individual performances from Jonathan Pierce, Verlin and Szilier propelled the Irish Saturday.

Pierce, a sophomore, won his second Big East individual 1,650-yard freestyle title, breaking his own University record.

Pierce's victory in the event last year marked the first time a Notre Dame men's swimmer won an individual title in the Big East competition.

Pierce said he knew what he had to do to win the race.

"I knew I had to go out hard and try to hold on," Pierce said. "Throughout the race I knew I was catching people and I knew we needed the points and I just had to get out there and go for it."

Welsh was pleased with the sophomore's performance.

"Jonathan defending his title at a faster time was key," Welsh said. "Not only did he set a University record but it was also an Olympic trial cut time. It's hard to ask for more."

Verlin placed second in the 200-yard butterfly event, with a finish of 1:48.39, earning him his first NCAA consideration.

"I had a good race in the morning and felt there was a lot more I could do in that race," Verlin said. "I had high expectations for the finals. I improved my time and I was very pleased with that."

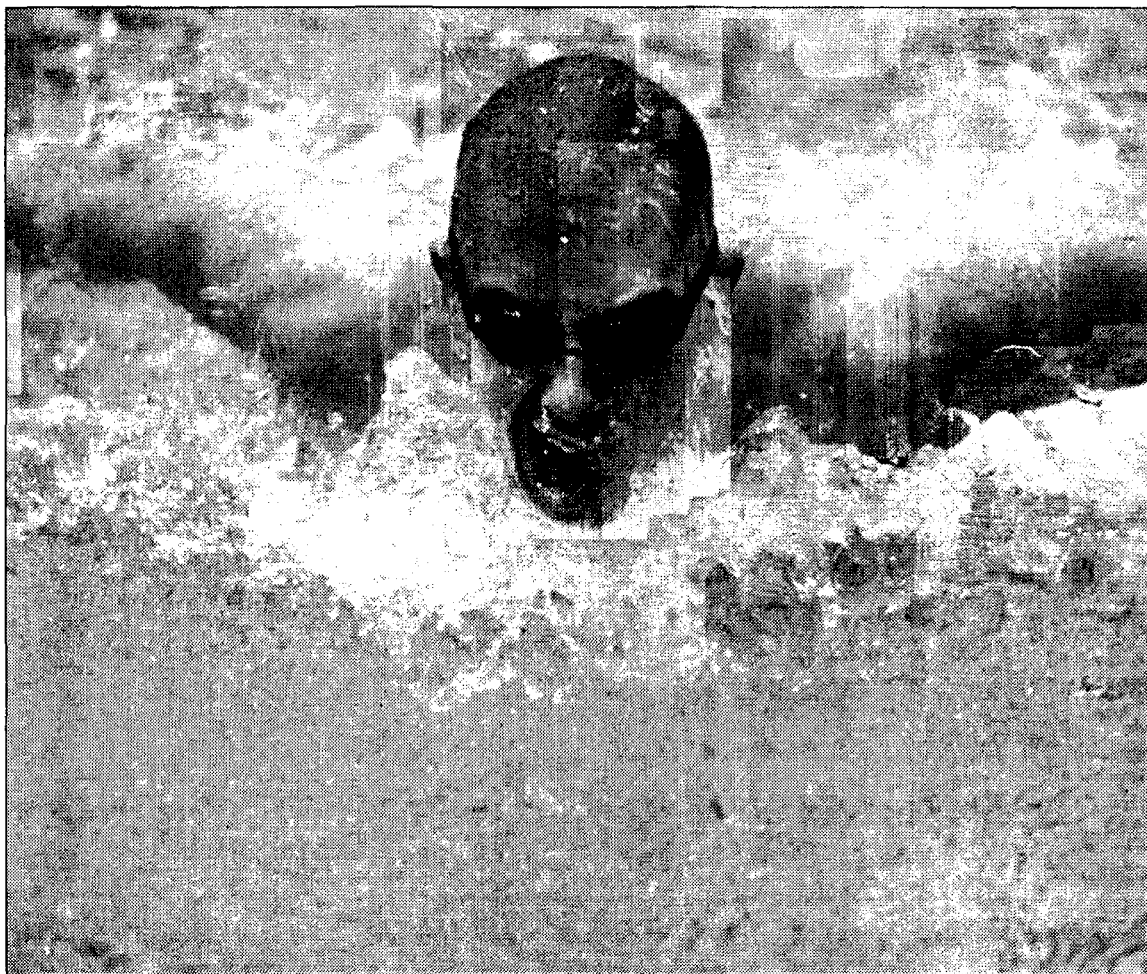
In the 200-yard breaststroke, the Irish dominated with Szilier finishing second followed by Jason Fitzpatrick in seventh place and Koss in 10th place.

Szilier's time also saw him qualify for the NCAA championships.

Welsh saw the victory as a payoff for months of hard work.

"This team works very hard," Welsh said. "In swimming, there is no substitute for training hard. This team has trained hard and prepared well."

"The guys have done the work and it's not an accident that they raced well on race day. I'm really pleased for the team. We're looking forward to the Shamrock Classic meet and starting to think about next year."

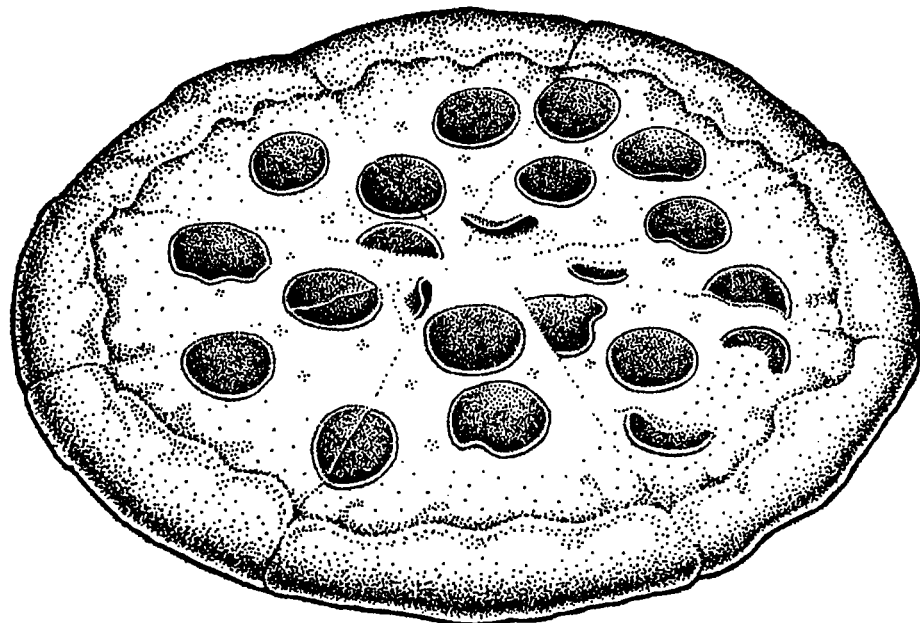


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Jonathan Pierce powers through the water at the 2000 Big East Championships. Pierce won his second 1,650-yard freestyle championship.

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MEN'S BIG EAST SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seniors lead Irish from seventh to second in four years

By COLLEEN MCCARTHY
Byline Title

UNIONDALE, N.Y.

The seniors on the Notre Dame men's swimming team have seen the program make vast improvements since they were freshmen.

This weekend's second place overall finish for the team at the Big East conference championships was especially meaningful for the seniors who have been at the heart of the team's ascent to becoming a force in Big East men's swimming and diving.

During the 1996-1997 season when they were freshmen, second place was unimaginable after finishing in seventh place.

But things started to improve.

"This program has made tremendous strides since we've been here," said Tony Fonseca, who swims mainly breaststroke events.

Through a strenuous training regimen and a commitment to being the best, the team made the jump to finish fourth place in the Big East in 1998 and second in 1999.

Head coach Tim Welsh credits the seniors for their leadership in making the repeat second place Big East performance this year possible.

"The senior class has been our catalyst here as they have been all year," Welsh said. "We were here this weekend as a team finishing in second place largely through their vision, dream and commitment to swimming hard and training hard."

Another way to measure the team's improvement is through the number of NCAA qualifying times the team has garnered. In 1998, the team had two

qualifiers and improved from three qualifiers in 1999 to a record four this year.

"The senior class has led this team from zero considerations as freshmen to a total of four as a team," Welsh said. "Now that's a sign of improvement."

Among the seven seniors on the team, Welsh singled out captain Ray Fitzpatrick as being key to the team's success. Fitzpatrick holds six University records and was a stand-out at this year's Big East meet with a first place finish in the 200-yard freestyle and fifth in the 50-yard freestyle. He has seen marked improvement in his times since freshman year, after breaking his own University records in both the 200- and 50-yard freestyle this weekend.

"Ray has been the cornerstone person on this team for all four years," Welsh said. "It is an amazing goal to get faster every year, but he's done it."

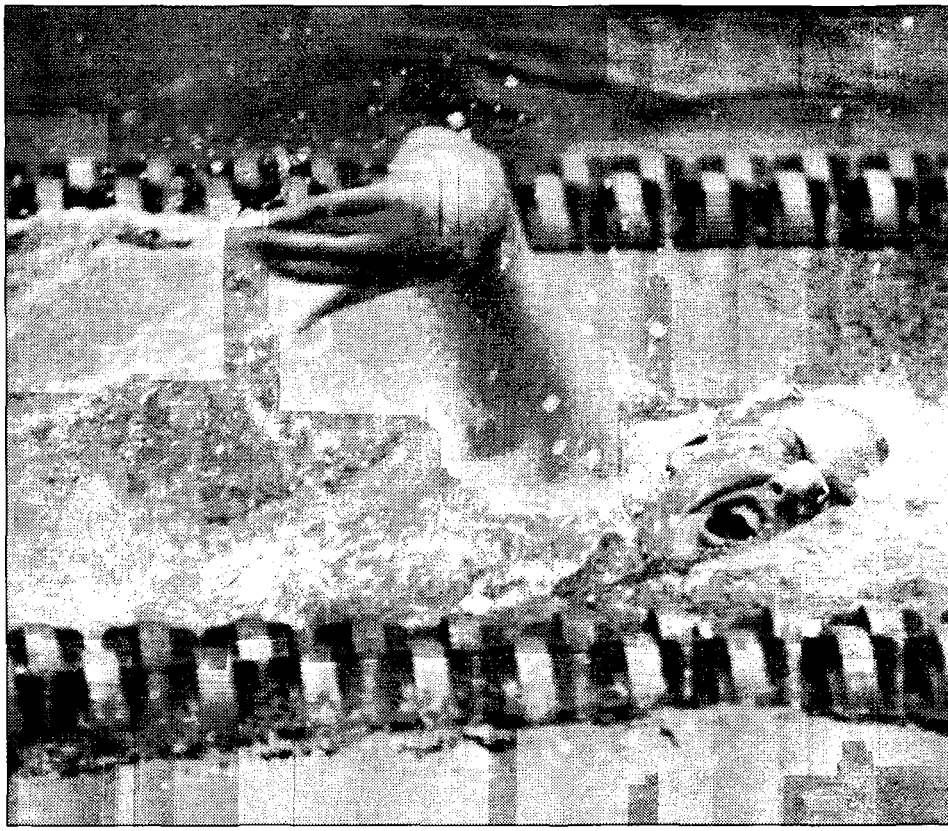
Co-captain Sean Casey, who finished 13th in the 400-yard individual medley at the Big East Championship, has also contributed to the team's ascent and was named one of the team's most improved swimmers in 1998-1999.

Finishing strong at the Big East Championship this year was important, said Casey.

"We have a lot of pride and have worked hard," Casey said. "We were pleased with our performance this weekend and stepped up when we needed to. When it got down to it, there was no way we were going to let anyone pass us on the last day."

Fonseca agreed.

"We trained too hard to let teams come back and beat us," said Fonseca. "Swimming at Notre Dame for four years has been the best experience of



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Senior John Lobker races to a sixth-place finish in the 1,650-yard freestyle at the 2000 Big East Championships.

my life and this win only added to that."

Rob Fetter, who swam on the team's 1999 Big East champion 400-yard freestyle relay team, whose win secured the team's second place finish, shared his teammate's sentiments.

"This whole experience has been amazing," said Fetter. "To go from seventh place our freshman year to defending second place our senior year is unbelievable."

Team stand-out Ryan Verlin, a junior, said the team will definitely feel the loss of the seven seniors who have led the team this year.

"We will have a challenge next year," said Verlin. "We will lose a lot of great swimmers with the graduating class. But I think the underclassmen will step it up next year so we can retain our place in the Big East if not even move up to first place."

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Saint Mary's picks up third win of year

By KATIE McVOY
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's basketball team ended its lackluster season on a high note with a 59-53 victory over Adrian College on Parent's Day at Angela Athletic Facility.

The Belles needed the victory on Saturday to ensure home court advantage in the first game of the MIAA tournament that begins Monday.

Saint Mary's played excellent defense and offense throughout the game, but it was sophomore Kelly Jones that put the team over the top.

"Kelly was extremely consistent throughout the entire game," freshman Elisa Ryan said. "She dominated on offense."

Jones led the offense with 22 points during the game, a personal high and team high for the season. She went 3-for-6 from the foul line, scored eight field goals and one 3-pointer.

Saint Mary's came into the game with one goal in mind — to shut down Adrian's offense. They did just that.

The Belles kept every Adrian player from scoring less than 10 points except for Sarah Vincke, and allowed only six points from the foul line.

"We played very good defense," sophomore Jaime

Dineen said. "We kept the ball out of the hands of Adrian's big player, Ann Terpstra. Our press really bothered them and helped us keep control."

With Adrian's defense in check, Saint Mary's gave its offense the chance to take the victory. Joining Jones on offense were Anne Blaire, Julie Norman, Kristen Matha and Jaime Dineen. Blaire had 11 points in the game on one foul shot and five field goals.

"Anne has been on fire the last two weeks in practice," Ryan said. "The shots were just falling for her."

Norman scored eight points for the Belles and Matha and Dineen each scored seven. Norman and Dineen both added to total offense by hitting 3-point shots.

The Belles were tied with the Bulldogs 21-21 at the end of the first half.

Coming into the second half, the Belles put in a team effort for the win, using Parent's Day and the MIAA tournament as motivation.

"It was a big team effort," Dineen said. "The fact that this win would give us home court advantage and Parent's Day were big factors in the win."

Saint Mary's will open the MIAA tournament this Monday at home against ninth-ranked Olivette at 7:30 pm.

HOCKEY

ND defeats, ties Bowling Green

By BILL HART
Senior Sports Writer

The Notre Dame hockey team took a major step towards securing the final Central Collegiate Hockey Association home ice playoff spot, capturing three points with a 5-3 win and a 1-1 tie against Bowling Green.

"To come into the home rink of one of the hottest teams in the league, and leave with three out of four points is pretty good," head coach Dave Poulin said.

With just a few games remaining in the season, the play-off picture for the CCHA playoffs is still unclear. Even though 10 of the 12 teams in the conference qualify for the tournament, the top five teams claim home ice for the first round. The Irish, in fifth place, are separated from the fourth- and seventh-place teams by less than five points.

The Irish set the tone for the weekend on Friday — formally clinching a spot in the playoffs with a 5-3 win over Falcons.

The visitors built an early cushion off a short-handed, unassisted goal by freshman center Connor Dunlop, 7 minutes, 34 seconds into the first period.

It was the second short-handed goal for the Irish this season, with both scored by the St. Louis native. Later in the period, passes by senior captain Ben Simon and junior

left wing Dan Carlson set up a goal for senior right wing Joe Dusbabek from the left side of the crease at the 15:01 mark.

Freshman goaltender Tony Zasowski recorded an amazing 17-save first period, en route to his 31 save performance on the night. The Falcons almost put an end to his first-period shutout with 0:29 left, after the puck bounced out of his glove and landed near the goal line. But Zasowski grabbed the puck

just before it crossed the goal.

"It was our goaltending all night," Poulin said. "He saved us early and he's been good all

"[Zasowski] saved us early and he's been good all year."

Dave Poulin
Irish head coach

year."

Falcon center Tyler Knight prevented the shutout with four minutes remaining in a relatively quiet second period.

The Irish answered Knight's goal with eight seconds left in the second.

Simon scored a power-play goal off passes by Carlson and junior Ryan Dolder to push the lead to 3-1.

The Falcons battled back at the 2:38 mark of the third period. Left wing Curtis Valentine scored from the right point shortly after an Irish penalty had expired.

The Irish struck back on another Simon goal — the eventual game-winner — off a pass from senior defenseman Tyson Fraser.

The Falcons closed the lead to 4-3 at the 4:58 mark but

the Falcons would get no closer.

The Irish closed the scoring with 0:18 left in the game on an empty-netter by Carlson. Simon assisted on the goal.

Simon, a native of Northern Ohio, is just one of the players who has come on strong during the final games of the season. After Friday's five-point game, he has totaled three goals and five assists in his last three games.

Saturday's game was a complete reversal from Friday's deluge of scoring, as the Falcons regrouped behind junior goaltender Shawn Timm to battle back to a 1-1 tie.

The Irish drew first blood again, this time off a goal from freshman left wing Jake Wiegand at the 8:17 mark of the second. The goal, with assists from Dunlop and Evan Nielsen, was the first of the Michigan native's career.

The Falcons scored the equalizer with just over eight minutes to play, when freshman Ryan Fultz lifted the puck in to the right side of the net. Both teams had opportunities in the overtime period, but the Irish only recorded one shot on goal during the extra period.

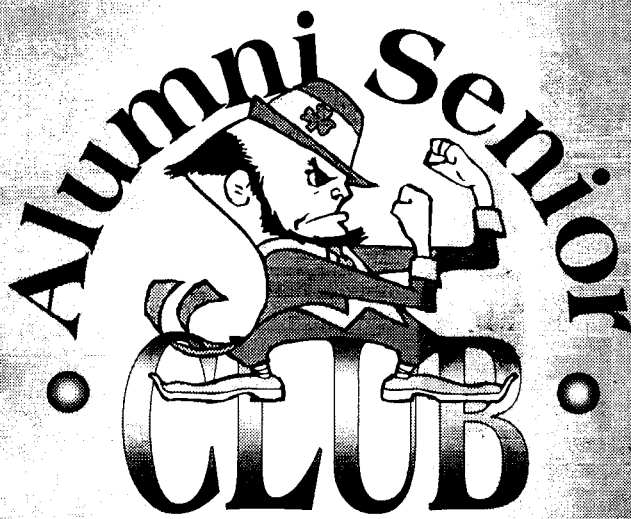
With the weekend, Notre Dame (14-15-7, 11-10-6 CCHA) stays two points behind fourth-place Lake Superior, while they have opened up a two-point lead on sixth-place Ferris State and a three-point lead over Nebraska-Omaha.

The Irish have one bye weekend before the last series of the season — a home-and-away against second-place Michigan State starting March 3.

2000 Irish Iron Classic

Names by Class	Body Weight	Bench Press
Under 140		
Eric Ota	140	245
John Nydam	131	215
Ramon Ymalay	125	195
141-150		
Frank Straka	150	255
Ryan Sweeney	149	250
Beau Bonfanti	150	230
151-160		
Tim O'Neil	160	305
Matthew Seigel	160	290
Donald Doan	156	275
161-170		
Dante Simonetti	166	300
Joe Parker	170	295
Michael Evangelist	170	290
171-185		
Doug Lawrence	178	345
Byron Levkulich	184	345
Samuel Leonardo	175	330
186-195		
Jason Visner	189	300
Josh Marcum	189	300
Dan Zach	192	300
196-215		
Shamus Rohn	215	320
Jason Pawlak	214	305
Kevin Haley	199	275
Over 215		
Jacob McGuigan	216	420
Joe Thomas	230	410
Mike McNair	236	370

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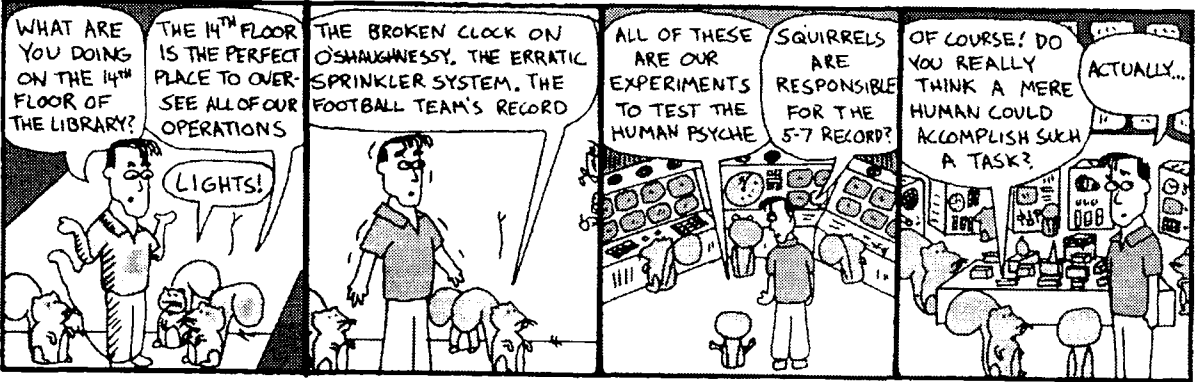


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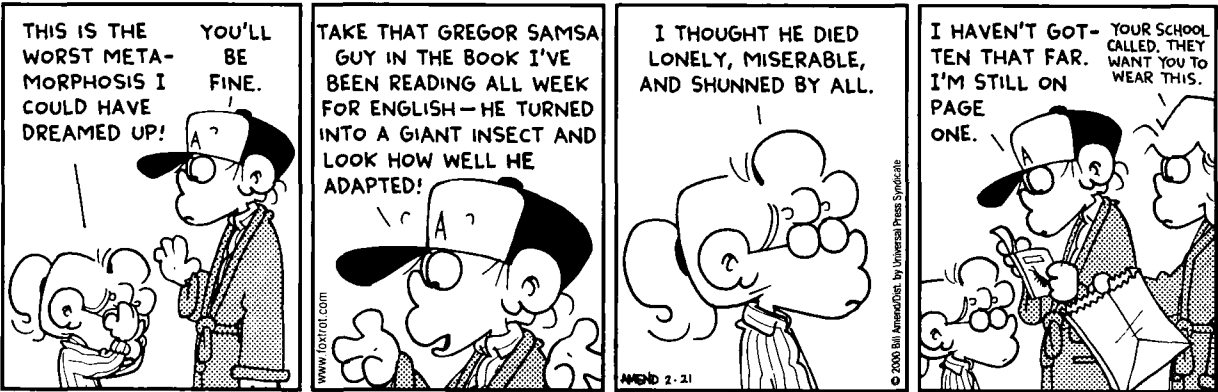
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- ACROSS
- 1 Seldom seen

5 China's Chairman

8 Gomorrah's sister city

13 Profess

14 Ripsnorter

15 Words to live by

16 Foremost

17 _____ were (seemingly)

18 Cosmopolitan's _____ Gurley Brown

19 Classic Disney character

21 Debt acknowledgment

22 _____ Baba

23 "Listen up!"

24 Archeologists' finds

28 Varieties

30 Close loudly
- 31 Was on a jury

32 Mystery writer's prize

33 Close

34 Like Playboy models

35 Hard-to-eat-just-one item

38 Rickshaw

41 Legislative excess

42 December 25 visitor

46 Colorado Indian

47 Bees' home

48 Time capsule activity

49 Say another way

51 "Oh yeah? _____ who?"

52 Docs, for short

53 Decorative vessel
- DOWN
- 54 Shakespeare's shrew tamer

57 _____ Island (immigrants' site)

59 Dr. Frankenstein's assistant

60 Suffix with origin

61 "Live free or die," to New Hampshire

62 Snaillike

63 Typesetting unit

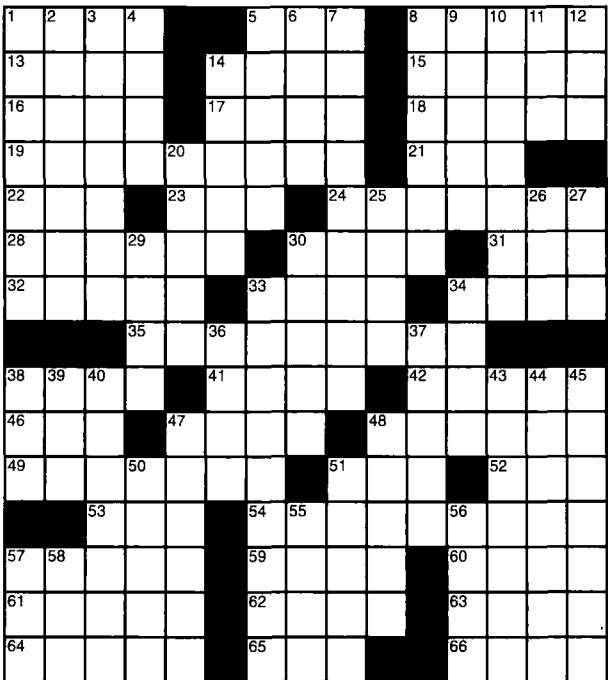
64 Merlin of football and TV

65 WNW's opposite

66 Connery of 007 fame

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Puzzle by John Greenman

- 29 Riveted with attention

30 Stock unit

33 Lincoln's hat

34 Skyrocket

36 Roasting rod

37 Mazda competitor

38 Snarly dog

39 Grazed

40 Outcomes

43 Lingerie item

44 Traditional pudding ingredient
- 45 Election loser

47 Pop group with the 1997 hit "MMMBop"

48 Fruit on a bush

50 Old hat

51 Feed, as a fire
- 55 Clashing figures?

56 Beanies

57 Funnyman Philips

58 Response to an on-line joke

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Jennifer Love Hewitt, Rue McClanahan, Jill Eikenberry, Kelsey Grammer, Mary-Chapin Carpenter, Anais Nin, Ann Sheridan, Erma Bomback, Barbara Jordan

Happy Birthday: You will be meeting new people and forming new friendships this year. The more you offer your community, the more you will get in return. Your involvement in organizations that help others will enhance your reputation and bring you a great deal of satisfaction. Be sure to leave some time for yourself and your loved ones. Your numbers: 10, 17, 22, 27, 38, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Opportunities for advancement will develop through hard work or colleagues who believe in your talents. Present your ideas or consider getting into your own business. ☉☉☉

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Romance will highlight your day if you get out and about. Social events, travel or groups you belong to will be a factor in bringing you in contact with interesting people. ☉☉☉☉

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your best financial gains will come through property investments. You can accomplish a great deal if you handle personal legal matters today. ☉☉

CANCER (June 21-July 22): This will not be the best day to travel. New love connections will evolve through friends and/or relatives. Catch up on your letter writing. ☉☉☉

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You may want to change your career direction. Opportunities should be present if you keep your eyes open. Your

ability to work hard and diligently at details will help. ☉☉☉

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You will be emotional concerning your personal life. However, if you involve yourself in social functions or activities that deal with children's events, your day will be favorable. ☉☉☉

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Behind-the-scenes activity will bring the highest-paying rewards. Do not hesitate to talk to superiors about advances. Use secret information to get your own way. ☉☉☉

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Group activities will lead to better business opportunities and more romantic connections. You will gain valuable knowledge through those you talk to. ☉☉☉☉

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't divulge your secrets to colleagues who may not consider your best interests. You may be in the limelight for reasons you don't like. ☉☉

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Travel to distant lands will be rewarding. You can gain great insight from the cultural knowledge you obtain. Sudden changes will be to your benefit. ☉☉☉☉

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can make headway through secret or private investments or by taking care of other people's money or possessions. ☉☉☉

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Deception regarding joint finances will set you off. Do not lend or borrow money or belongings. Take care of prevailing skin, bone or teeth problems. ☉☉☉

Birthday Baby: You'll be creative and practical, and that winning combination will lead you to success and happiness. You are sensitive with so much to offer. You will have close friends throughout life and family you can rely on.

(Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

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SPORTS

Last race for the parents

The senior women swimmers' parents experienced the last Big East Championship of their daughters' careers with tears of joy and sadness.

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Monday, February 21, 2000

WOMEN'S BIG EAST SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Irish seniors finish on top with fourth title

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Editor

UNIONDALE, N.Y.
Winning may be a familiar feeling for the women's swimming and diving team, but it never gets old. Capturing their fourth consecutive Big East Championship virtually uncontested, the Irish managed to put a new spin on an old feeling.

See Also
"Irish capture consecutive second-place finishes"
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Stepping onto the podium for the fourth time, the group was the first Notre Dame swimming team to win four consecutive conference championships. Winning the conference title with 829.50 points — more than 400 points ahead of second-place Rutgers — the team broke five Big East and Notre Dame records in the process and won 14 of 20 events.

It was the best showing of any Notre Dame swim team during his tenure, said head coach Bailey Weathers.

"This has probably been the best teams in terms of focus that I've seen," Weathers said. "When you work hard, you get rewards, and that's something really special to see. This is something that we're all going to remember



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Irish head coach Bailey Weathers takes a swim with his team after the Notre Dame women's swimming team captured its fourth straight Big East conference championship.

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Notre Dame invades, conquers Garden State

◆ Murphy drops career-high 35 in upset of No. 25 Seton Hall

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

Notre Dame found a way to create its own energy on the road Saturday, beating 25th-ranked Seton Hall 76-74 on a last-second shot by David Graves.

The Irish were 2-10 on the road heading into Saturday's contest in East Rutherford, N.J. But the Irish (16-10, 7-5 Big East) weren't about to be intimidated by the Seton Hall Pirates (18-6, 10-4), who are

second in the Big East with a win over top-10 Syracuse.

"We knew we had to get this win if we wanted to play in the NCAA tournament, and we really came out and played hard," leading scorer Troy Murphy said. "We squandered an opportunity when we went out to Pittsburgh and Villanova, and we don't have that many opportunities left."

Murphy ignited the Irish with a career-high 35 points, including 21 in the second



Graves

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◆ Ratay sparks Irish over No. 8 Scarlet Knights

By KERRY SMITH
Assistant Sports Editor

If there was any doubt that the Irish have what it takes to make a successful run at the NCAA title in March, Muffet McGraw's squad erased Saturday it with its stunning come-from-behind overtime win against the No. 8 Rutgers Scarlet Knights.

Critics of Notre Dame's No. 5 spot in the polls, who have cited that the Irish had not been tested enough for that

high a ranking saw Saturday that the Irish can pass the test with flying colors.

When the Irish squandered a 19-point first-half lead and trailed by six with 18 seconds left in regulation, it looked to Rutgers fans as if the Scarlet Knights would be the team to finally break Notre Dame's 18-game winning streak — the longest in the nation.

But they underestimated Irish freshman guard Alicia Ratay.

Ratay drained two 3-pointers to tie the game with just

seconds left, sending the game into overtime and ultimately resulting in the Irish win.

"Looking at the clock with 30 seconds left when you're down by six, you start to doubt it for a second," junior forward Kelley Siemon said. "But we have great people on our team, that can make great plays —

"We have great people on our team that can make great plays — Alicia Ratay is one of those people."

Kelley Siemon
Irish forward

Alicia Ratay is one of those people. She had a tremendous game."

Ratay hit the first of her two late-game three-pointers

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Thursday, 4 p.m.



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at Arkansas Tournament
Friday-Sunday



at Loyola Tournament
Saturday, 8 a.m.



at North Carolina
Saturday, noon



vs. Purdue
Saturday, noon