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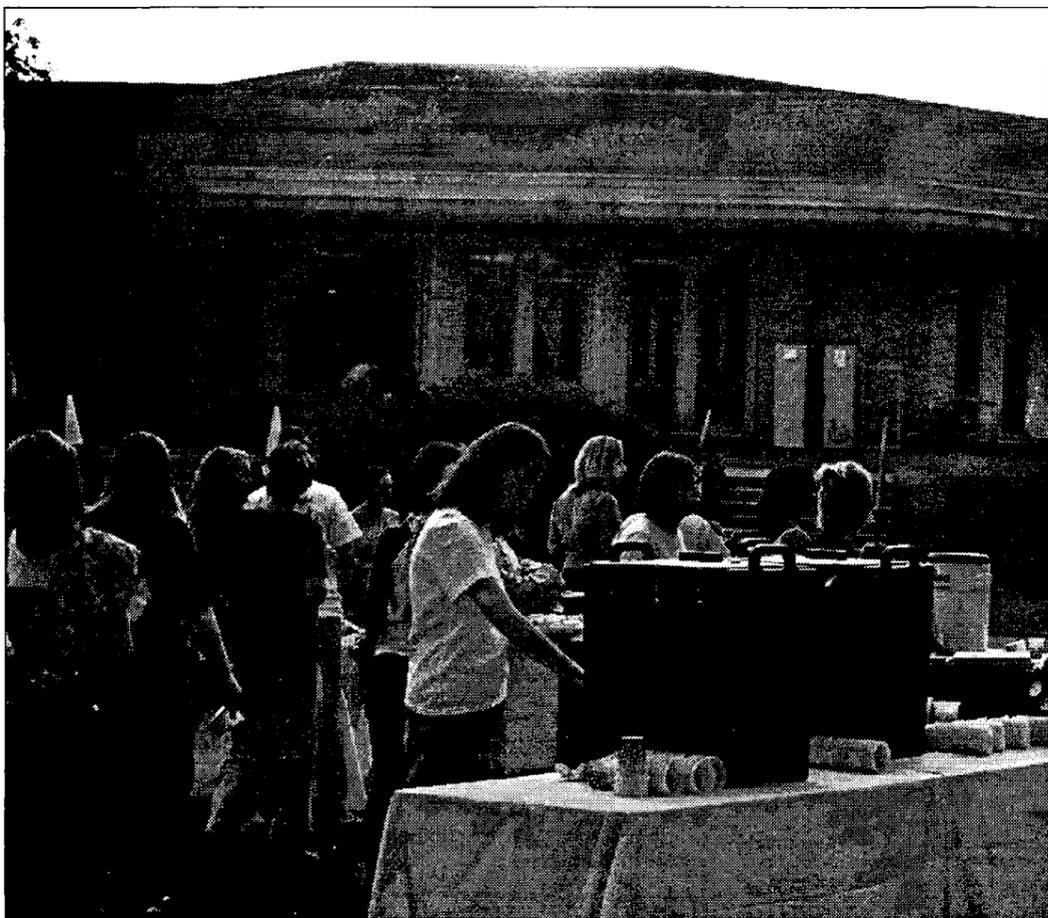
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BELLE PRIDE



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Saint Mary's students enjoy a kick-off picnic celebrating the start of Pride Week. The week boasts a wide variety of school spirit events, including last night's "What Would You Do for \$100," where students performed tricks and skits in hopes of winning the cash prize.

ND dependent upon off-campus housing

By FINN PRESSLY
 Assistant News Editor

As more and more students choose to spend their fourth – and sometimes third – year off-campus, the University and student government have begun to take notice of the trend toward off-campus living.

"More students are moving off-campus and earlier ... It's something that we're starting to look at," said Scott Kachmarik, director of Student Residences. "I think people are looking for independence, for a change, they're looking for the ability to get into the 'real world' before they graduate."

Despite the increase in students leaving the quads, however, the percentage of students staying on campus has remained the same due to increased enrollment.

"The percentage is still about the same," he said. "We're still 98 percent full, and we still carry a wait list. We have three lounges that we're using this year [as dorm rooms] because of an overflow situation."

With the increasing enroll-

ment, the University relies on a steady stream of seniors moving into town to house the campus population.

"We've lost some beds with renovations and things like that. We absolutely need about 1,200 students to go off-campus," he said.

Student body vice-president Brooke Norton said that student government has begun to lay the foundation for closer examination and understanding of the issue.

"A lot of people have been talking about it," she said. "I think it's an issue that's hard to pinpoint."

Norton said that issues such as alcohol use, social space and the policies of individual residence halls may all play a role in convincing students off-campus.

Kachmarik also indicated that there are a number of different factors that come into play when students decide to move off-campus.

"There's a lot of reasons," he said. "People gossip in South Dining Hall and say it's because of parietsals, but I

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Caponigro discusses Catholic perspective

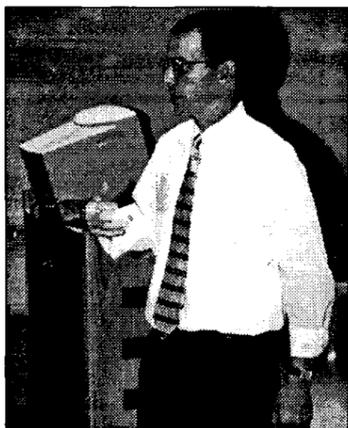
By MEG DADAY
 News Writer

The United States Catholic bishops believe that families who can not afford the cost of a Catholic education should receive tax vouchers allowing them to choose between public and private education, said Jay Caponigro at a lecture Monday night. Not all politicians agree.

The Catholic perspective on educational choice was only one issue mentioned at the lecture entitled "Election Workshop 2000: Going to the Voting Booth as Persons of Faith." Caponigro, director of Urban Programs and Justice Education for the Center for Social Concerns, explained the campaign issues the U.S. Catholic bishops deem important.

The U.S. Catholic bishops have outlined the issues Catholics should consider as they analyze which candidate to vote for in their statement, "Faithful Citizenship: Civic Responsibility for a New Millennium."

"We must challenge all parties and every candidate to defend



PETER RICHARDSON/The Observer
 Jay Caponigro discussed the Catholic perspective on this year's candidates at a lecture Monday night.

human life and dignity, to pursue greater justice and peace, to uphold family life, and to advance the common good," the bishops said.

Caponigro said that the U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops "called on Catholics to vote," but

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NEWS ANALYSIS

Candidates prepare for debate

By ANTHONY LOPEMAN
 News Writer

Tonight, the nation will turn its attention to the events inside the Clark Athletic Center on the campus of the University of Massachusetts at Boston where the two major presidential candidates, Democratic Vice-

President Al Gore and Republican Texas

Governor George W. Bush, will square off in the first of three debates.

According to the Nielsen ratings, presidential debates have been widely watched. An average of 66 million people watched the two debates of 1988 between Michael Dukakis and George Bush and 90 million in 1992 for Bill Clinton, then President Bush and Ross Perot. However, the

numbers dropped to 41 million in 1996 during a relatively lopsided race between President Clinton and Bob Dole. The preceding two races were fairly competitive and resulted in huge ratings.

With Gore-Bush a dead-heat, the number of Americans watching the debate could be record-breaking.

Sociology professor Robert Fishman, who studies political sociology, said not to assume that because debates get high ratings, they automatically predict the votes.

"Journalists and observers tend to agree that debates influence voters, but that's not necessarily the case," Fishman said.

With the exception of a candidate committing a monumental blunder, Fishman said, a debate's influence does not last

until Election Day.

"Research seems to indicate that the greatest impact of debates manifests itself after the first week after the debate. It tends to fade once two weeks have passed."

Fishman also said that debates should not be ignored because "they can still change some voters minds."

Professor John Roos of the government department said that most voters come into the debates knowing who they will vote for.

"A big percentage of people will not be affected by the debates. They are for the undecideds," Roos said.

Gore and Bush enter the debate season tied in several polls, with Gore leading in some, and Bush ahead in others. Nearly every major poll that shows one candidate ahead shows the lead within the margin of error.

"For the undecided voters, those who have doubts about a candidate can be influenced by

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Bush



Gore

INSIDE COLUMN

Tacky television

It's hard to distinguish whether it was the contest of ex-high school athletes or wannabe models, but FOX's "Sexiest Bachelor in America" was definitely a tasteless imitation of the Miss "fill-in-the-blank" contests.

The show aired Monday evening with commentators, dressed as "Barbie Goes to the Costume Jewelry Store," who actually took the contest seriously - as if there is a real technique to strutting around shirtless baring broad shoulders, a six-pack and a cheesy grin.

Yet, even after going through several rounds of competition, Mr. Illinois, the first runner-up, said, "You don't feel like a piece of meat as much as you thought you would."

— Yeah, riiight.

Mr. Illinois looked like a piece of meat to me — and it's certainly not a bad thing — but he should not take himself so seriously.

During the first part of the show, the bachelors walked on the stage to introduce themselves to the viewers. At first, it was fun to criticize and complement contestants, but soon, I began to pity some of them. The host of the show, Caroline Rhea from "Sabrina, the Teenage Witch," flirted with the bachelors so much that it seemed as if she was the eligible one.

The positive side to the bachelor contest, if it can be called positive, is that finally women aren't the ones flaunting around on stage. However, just because the contestants were men and not women it doesn't justify the entertainment.

"Sexiest Bachelor in America" was not entirely disrespectful to the participants because those men chose to subject themselves to the contest, but the show was still generally degrading to both men and women. Questions in the final rounds, which mostly addressed the contestants' sex lives sent a subliminal message to viewers that the most important factor in finding a potential mate is how sexually pleasing the man was with other women in the past.

Even so, the networks know our society enjoys this type of entertainment. FOX was very effective in doing what all television stations aim to do: grab viewers. Although, it wasn't my initial choice to watch the entire show, I pathetically admit that I did not speak against it when someone turned the television to the FOX network. Instead, I continued watching the contest all the way to the end when Mr. Virginia won.

I can't recall the last time I watched a show on television that made me want to watch every episode. Of course, MTV's "The Real World" is always high on my list, but I no longer have time to keep up with fictional characters whose lives aren't interesting and whose comments aren't funny or even thought-provoking. I remember the days of "TGIF" on the ABC network with "Family Matters," "Step by Step" and "Boy Meets World."

Somewhere along the timeline of television sitcoms, networks traded in wit for slapstick and producers ran out of sitcom ideas. This is not entirely the fault of television stations because their viewers indicate what they consider entertainment. Nevertheless, I am anxious for the day that entertainment has less junk and more substance.

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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"This brings us backwards from where we were going."

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on "Girl of Choice" shirt
controversy

"It's very important to have a united class."

Lauren Fowler,
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"She probably lived her 20 years as full as anyone could live their life."

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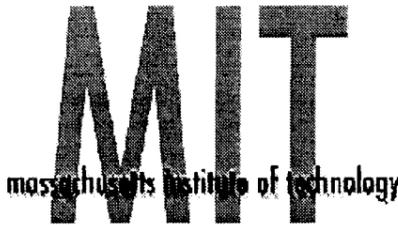
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MIT protesters ask for third parties in debates

BOSTON
Protesting the exclusion of third-party candidates from the upcoming presidential debate, hundreds of students descended on the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on Saturday for the first Student Power Conference.

With flyers scattered through the crowd reading, "Demand a real open debate," and "Join us — because democracy depends on you," college and high school students from Greater Boston and as far as California stood in an auditorium and chanted phrases such as "I am a 21st century leader."

The conference, sponsored by the Boston Campus Action Network, included issue workshops on campus militarism and sweatshops and skills workshops on public speaking and



grassroots campaigning.

The turnout was slightly low, but the conference has the potential to grow, said College of Arts and Sciences junior Mark Greenfield, also the Student Union vice president of residence life.

"It's our first conference and it's an experience. It is a little unattended, but in the future it has a potential to be amazing," he said.

The conference was scheduled only a few days before the first presidential debate to be held at the University of Massachusetts at Boston. Organizers urged the students in attendance to march to the debate and protest the two presidential candidates.

Most students and organizers felt that Vice President Al Gore and Gov. George Bush do not represent the general population and refuse to talk about issues such as housing and military spending.

"The discontent and protest of the debate on Tuesday is in response to the reality that Bush and Gore ... are corporate puppets," Greenfield said.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Students join to fight hate crimes

ITHACA, N.Y.

The Cornell University Asian Pacific Americans for Action (APAA) were joined by other minority groups Friday morning in silent indignation to protest the assault of a female Asian-American student on the Arts Quad in the early morning of Sept. 16. Students stood outside between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to hand out quarter-cards, which described hate crimes and providing information on the assault. "We really want something proactive; we're trying to get awareness out," said Lisa Wang, president of the APAA. The gathering was designed to be an informational session for students walking on campus rather than a rally, according to Wang. Students from various minority groups handed out more than 2000 quarter-cards in the four-hour period. Wang called the pamphleteering "a success." "We're not going to be overly emotional or angry. We want people to look at this and understand what's happening," Wang said. Most felt that the passive approach was the best way to get information across.

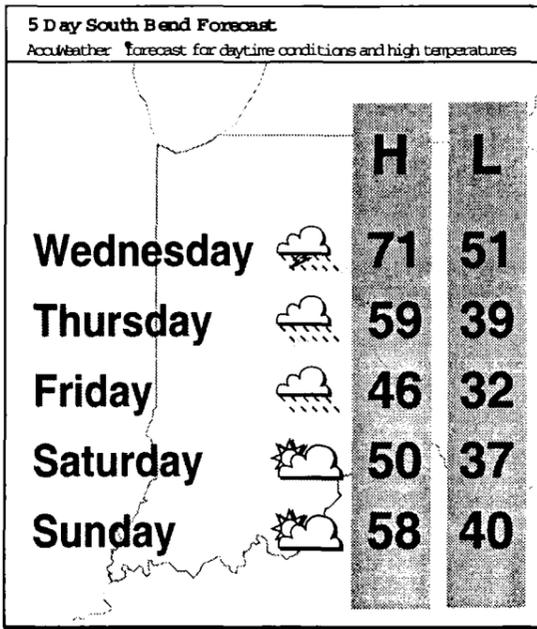
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Small school pays to host VP debate

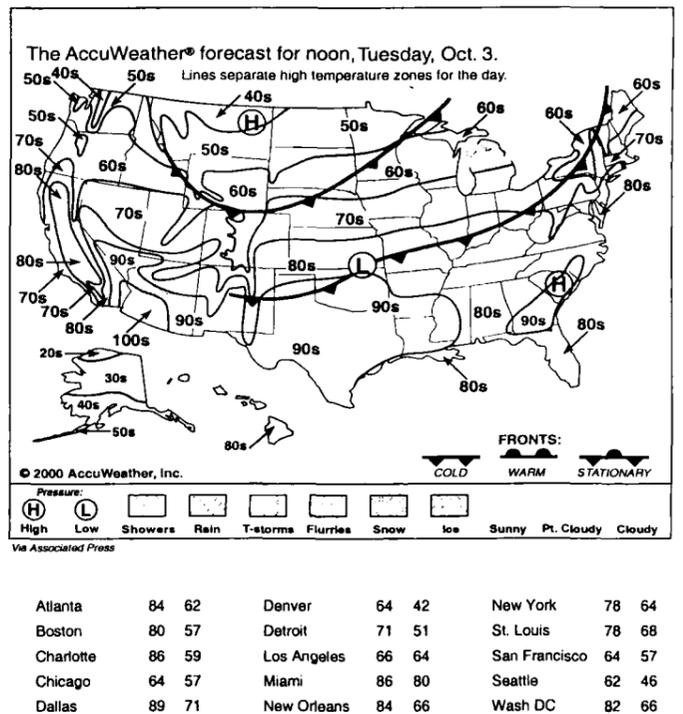
WASHINGTON

Centre College in Danville, Ky., outbid 50 other schools for the rights to hosting the vice presidential debate this Thursday evening — for an estimated cost of more than \$1 million. The small liberal arts college paid the Commission on Presidential Debates \$550,000 and has invested nearly \$500,000 additionally in infrastructure and debate-related costs, including \$300,000 in fiber-optic telephone wires, according to Centre College Director of Communications Mike Norris. Centre has also, reportedly, used alumni and private donations to pay for the event, and has not used money from the school's general fund. Approximately 400 student volunteers — nearly half of the student body — will have contributed time by the event's end. "We're involved in every aspect of the debate planning," said Allison Elliott, a senior at Centre. The nonprofit, nonpartisan CPD, established in 1987, is intended to serve as a permanent, independent debate organizer.

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El Campito program seeks new volunteers

By JOE LICANDRO
News Writer

The South Bend organization, El Campito, could benefit from student volunteers said director, Rosa Rickman.

"My main objective as director is to promote El Campito. We are looking for any students that could maybe volunteer just a few hours one day a week to help out at the daycare," said Rickman.

A family center that provides help and aid to lower income families in South Bend, El Campito was originally set up 30 years ago as a multi-cultural agency to assist Hispanic Immigrant families adjusting to life in the United States.

Today, El Campito serves people of all cultures, but a majority of the participants are of Hispanic origins. As a non-profit organization that receives financial aid from the government to operate, El Campito has limited funding. Rickman said that volunteering will be a very fulfilling and rewarding experience.

Although, the organization assists predominantly Hispanic families, volunteers do not have to speak Spanish.

"People often have misnomers about the name El Campito. For any one who speaks Spanish, El Campito is a great opportunity to practice speaking. Don't worry, though, you don't have to

speak Spanish to volunteer," said Rickman. "El Campito is an excellent chance for students to be exposed to a different culture."

El Campito provides three programs: a daycare for children 13 months to 6-year-olds, a preschool called Mi Escuelita for kids ages 4 and 5, and a Parents Education Program that teaches young parents infant care. The daycare is open weekdays from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., while Mi Escuelita runs from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Some Notre Dame students are already involved in El Campito. Sophomore Melinda Redding began working at El Campito this semester as part of her work-study program. She works with children for two hours a day, four days a week.

"I love kids. Kids are so cute and innocent. It is cool to see how they act and how they learn in their environments. I try to speak Spanish to the kids, and I am thrilled when they actually understand what I am saying," Redding said. "I recommend El Campito for anybody who likes to work with kids and wants to learn about the South Bend Community."

For students who are interested in El Campito, the El Campito learning center is located at 1024 W. Thomas St. next to St. Stephen Church in South Bend. Students can also contact Rosa Rickman at 232-0220.

ND professor captures gamma-ray

Special to The Observer

For the first time, astronomers have resolved the visible blast wave produced by a gamma-ray burst. By taking advantage of a fortuitous cosmic alignment, a team of scientists led by a Notre Dame astrophysicist was able to focus the light from a gamma-ray event some half-way across the universe.

The object, dubbed "GRB 000301C," was discovered in March. After gathering data at the Smithsonian's Fred Lawrence Whipple Observatory and combining it with other observations of this gamma-ray burst, the research team showed that it appeared as a small, rapidly expanding ring, confirming predictions.

"This discovery really confirms what we thought a gamma-ray burst shock should look like," says Peter Garnavich, professor of physics at Notre Dame and lead author of the paper to appear in the *Astrophysical Journal Letters*. "To be able to resolve an explosion so far away is really quite astounding."

Gamma-ray bursts (GRBs) are mysterious flashes of high-energy light that are detected about once daily somewhere on the sky. However, their origin remains unknown to astronomers, most of whom believe GRBs are enormous explosions that occur far across the universe.

Garnavich and his colleagues were able to achieve

"This discovery really confirms what we thought a gamma-ray burst shock should look like."

Peter Garnavich
physics professor

this elusive goal: to see the ring-shaped structure caused by the gamma-ray burst because of "gravitational microlensing."

Predicted by Einstein's theory of general relativity, microlensing occurs when the light from a very distant source — in this case, a gamma-ray burst — is amplified by the gravity of an intervening object.

"Gravitational microlensing is commonly observed in our galaxy," says Kris Stanek of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics and coauthor of the result. "But, this is the first time such a lensing event has been seen in a distant gamma-ray burst." The theoretical prediction

about the properties of such an event was made by coauthor Avi Loeb in 1998, together with his student at the time, Rosalba Perna.

In addition to being able to show that a GRB blast wave appears as a ring, the team also discerned information about the object that magnified the burst.

"We believe that the gravity of an ordinary star, perhaps half the mass of our sun, created the lensing phenomenon," says Loeb, also of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. The authors found that the observed data perfectly fit the model for a ring structure which is expanding faster than the speed of light, a prediction first made in 1997 by Eli Waxman.

GRBs are such large explosions they drive shock waves that travel at close to the speed of light into the surrounding gas, which then glows at x-ray, optical, and radio wavelengths. Because the shocks are moving at nearly the speed of light, Einstein's theory of special relativity must be employed in calculating what an observer would see. Contrary to common sense, the relativistic shock will appear to an observer as a ring that is expanding faster than the speed of light.

Resolving the GRB ring is equivalent to spotting a wedding ring 2 million miles away.

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the debates. Then, debates could have a very big impact," Roos said. "People come into a debate with three questions," said Roos. "Number one: Do I like this person, do I feel comfortable with him? ...Number two: Is this person going to follow issues I favor?... And number three his qualifications, his presidential character and his competence."

The purpose of a debate, according to the Commission on Presidential Debates is "to ensure that debates, as a permanent part of every general election, provide the best possible information to viewers and listeners."

Generally though, Roos said candidates will hold back or be candid based on how it best suits them, whatever is most advantageous.

"Candidates are trying to get elected and will do what's best to accomplish that," said Roos.

As Gore and Bush have campaigned for a White House election, the two candidates have fought on many various issues, including where and how the debates would be conducted. Before settling on the formal commission-sponsored debates, Bush proposed meeting Gore on NBC's "Meet the Press" and CNN's "Larry King Live."

Gore charged that fewer people would watch as the competing networks would refuse to show another network's programming

and said Bush was ducking the traditional debates out of fear of stumbling in front of a larger audience. Bush shot back that Gore had earlier pledged to debate "anywhere, anytime" and that Gore was reneging on that promise.

Roos said this controversy will have little impact on the actual election. The spat did raise questions, however, of how a Gore-Bush debate would turn out. Would Gore, who has debated twice as a vice-presidential candidate in addition to many congressional and senatorial debates, beat Bush who is running for national office for the first time and has only been involved in two prior campaigns?

Using the analogy of the NBA player-laden U.S. men's Olympic basketball team that struggled to win the gold medal despite being heavily favored, Roos said, "The bar is higher for Gore. That could hurt him."

The "stiff" Gore could be humiliated by the "personable" Bush or the "lightweight" governor could be embarrassed by the "experienced" vice-president. In 1980, there was a similar scenario, Roos said. Ronald Reagan appeared to be the more likable candidate, but people perceived that President Carter was smarter.

"The question for Reagan was if he met the minimum standards for being president, is he competent enough?" Roos said. "Bush is liked; he needs to show competence on policy issues. Gore is smart enough; he needs to show character and likeability."

Housing

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think it's a variety of reasons."

Kachmarik also said that as more students - including an increasing number of juniors - move off-campus, they may find themselves regretting the move.

"Once people get off-campus a lot of people regret it. The off-campus life isn't what they envision," he said. "It's a great thing to head out there on a Saturday night, but the reality of the situation is a lot different."

Though Notre Dame's procedure for allotting rooms is different from other universities, Kachmarik does not foresee any major changes to the system in the near future.

"A lot of places say 'We need 2,000 beds for freshmen,' block them off, and say [to returning students], 'You can't pick those,'" he explained. "[At Notre Dame], we say 'You tell us who wants to be on campus.' Then we cross our fingers and hope we have enough room for freshmen in August. The trends and the history has been that it works OK."

Should this system fail, Kachmarik said that duLac

outlines a contingency plan where rising seniors would enter a lottery for rooms, followed by juniors and sophomores until sufficient space is cleared for freshmen.

Meanwhile, the Campus Life Council has formed a task force to examine consistency among residence hall policies - a committee Norton hopes will help explain the complexities of why students are leaving campus at an increased rate.

"Once we have that analysis, we may be able to see what is lacking in the residence halls and why students are moving off-campus," she said.

Vote

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also to "reflect on these themes to determine which candidates best represent Catholic teachings."

One theme the bishops feel is important for Catholic voters to analyze is the candidates' views on the life and dignity of the human person. The topic of dignity encompasses many different issues including abortion, euthanasia, violence and health care. Referring to the current debate among presidential candidates regarding Medicare plans, Caponigro said, "Think

which [plan] is going to help [senior citizens] survive and thrive and which one is going to put them at risk."

The U.S. Catholic bishops in Faithful Citizenship said, "We believe that every human life is sacred from conception to natural death; that people are more important than things; and that the measure of every institution is whether or not it enhances the life and dignity of the human person."

The issues of family, community and participation are also prominent in the current presidential campaigns.

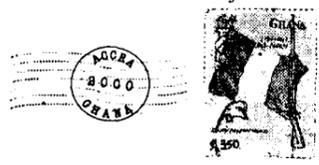
"We need laws and policies that encourage families to stay together," said Caponigro.

Government must help alleviate the financial and moral threats families face. To do this, "Institutions that are around us need to support individuals and create a space for individuals to express oneself and grow as an individual," said Caponigro.

The U.S. Catholic bishops said, "In society as a whole, those who exercise authority have a duty to respect the fundamental human rights of all persons."

Although every human has basic rights, "If we are going to claim rights, we also have responsibilities to help institutions grow and thrive," said Caponigro.

He said that one way to exercise rights is to vote.



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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Milosevic decries opposition: In his first address to the nation since a disputed election, Slobodan Milosevic on Monday branded his opponents puppets of the West. A wave of unrest aimed at driving him from power swept Yugoslavia, and the government responded by arresting dozens of strike leaders. The general strike and road blockades brought Yugoslavia to a virtual halt in the most serious challenge yet to Milosevic's 13-year rule.

Germans celebrate unity: Germans gathered in a festive atmosphere to open their celebrations of a decade of reunification Monday, but behind the music and merriment was agreement that the country remains less than united. Several hundred citizens drawn from all of Germany's 16 states converged on a reunification event.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Rapists could face HIV tests: Rape victims could demand HIV tests of their suspected assailants upon arrest, and adults could be jailed for 10 years for sending pornography to 17-year-olds or younger under a last-minute flurry of bills in the House. Currently, rape victims have no legal right to demand that a suspect be tested to find out whether the person has HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, lawmakers said.

Bush will appear on Letterman: Regis and Oprah seemed to work, so now George W. Bush is taking on David Letterman. The Republican presidential candidate has agreed to appear on the CBS "Late Show" on Oct. 19, executive producer Maria Pope said Monday. Democratic rival Al Gore visited Letterman on Sept. 14. Bush's appearance, via satellite, on Letterman's show during primary season last winter was somewhat awkward because the Texas governor had trouble hearing the comedian.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Unidentified man found near cemetery: An unidentified man was found dead behind the wheel of a burning car in a cemetery on the city's east side, just a few feet from the gravesite of legendary jazz guitarist Wes Montgomery. Police said there is no clear indication yet whether the death was a suicide, a homicide or an accident. The car had a Marion County license plate. No time or cause of death will be known until an autopsy is performed Monday, police said. Montgomery died in 1968 and is one of 58,000 people interred at the cemetery.

WEST BANK



Palestinian policemen take cover during heavy armed fighting as riots continued throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The fighting, now in its fifth day, has claimed the lives of 51 people and injured 1,000 people. AFP Photo

Israeli-Palestinian violence rages

Associated Press

RAMALLAH
Israeli troops rolled out tanks in a show of force and sent helicopter gunships aloft Monday to battle Palestinians wielding rocks and automatic rifles, as riots raged through the West Bank and Gaza Strip, leaving scarcely a Palestinian town or village untouched.

The spiraling violence, now in its fifth day, has killed at least 51 people and injured more than 1,000, nearly all the casualties Palestinian, and left hopes for a Mideast peace accord in tatters. Both

sides acknowledged that talking peace was becoming untenable with a full-scale war being waged in the streets.

In an urgent bid to restore calm, U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright announced she would meet Wednesday in Paris with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

The two sides "must find a way ... to end the current psychology of confrontation and begin to restore the psychology of peace-making," Albright said in a statement Tuesday.

Even as pleas for restraint poured in from around the world, the climbing casualty count fueled Palestinian fury and spurred revenge attacks against Israeli civilians, particularly Jewish settlers.

On the road to the Jewish settlement of Ariel in the West Bank, a 24-year-old Israeli was shot and killed — reportedly when he stopped to change a tire. A school bus on its way to the Jewish settlement of Shiloh came under fire, but no one was injured.

Fighting also boiled over into Arab towns in Israel

proper, rattling the nerves of Israelis who have long feared an intefadeh, or uprising, by Arab citizens of the Jewish state. Eight Israeli Arabs were killed in Monday's clashes alone.

Police and Arab rioters fought a three-hour battle in the alleyways of the Israeli town of Akko. Rioters trashed shops in the Israeli Arab town of Nazareth, Jesus' boyhood home. In the coastal city of Haifa — often cited as a model of harmonious coexistence of Jews and Muslims — Israeli Arabs staged a general strike in sympathy with Palestinian brethren.

COLOMBIA

Clashes paralyze state, residents flee

Associated Press

BOGOTA
Clashes between leftist guerrillas and right-wing paramilitary groups have paralyzed a southern Colombian state and sent residents fleeing toward the Ecuador border, local officials said Monday.

The army said troops were trying to control the violence between the armed groups battling over control of coca plant production in southern Putumayo state, which was

largely cut off by road from the rest of the country.

"Businesses have begun to close their doors, food supplies are running out and it is impossible to get gasoline," Putumayo state Gov. Jorge Devia told reporters in Colombia's capital, Bogota.

There were unconfirmed reports of high casualties on both sides in the clashes that began Sept. 21. Putumayo's food supplies were also drying up as rebels of the leftist Revolutionary Armed Forces of

Colombia, or FARC, threatened to destroy vehicles that venture onto the highways.

"People are heading for Ecuador," Roger Hernandez, town secretary of the small coca-growing town of La Hormiga, told The Associated Press by telephone.

Putumayo, which borders both Ecuador and Peru, is Colombia's largest producer of coca plants, a raw material for cocaine, with an estimated 140,000 acres cultivated.

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Conservative leader criticizes Bush's view

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AUSTIN, Texas

A day after George W. Bush's videotaped address to the Christian Coalition, conservative leader Pat Robertson criticized the GOP presidential nominee for not "swinging like a fighter" at Al Gore and said Bush risks losing the election.



Bush

Robertson said Bush has taken the party's conservative base for granted with his attempts to appeal more to moderates.

"It's a dangerous strategy just to ignore your base, especially to play like something you're not," Robertson said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation."

"He's got to begin hitting Gore where Gore's vulnerable; the big spending, possibly doubling the size of government," Robertson added. "He's got to come out swinging like a fighter. And if he doesn't do it, if he continues this sort of, be-nice

sort of approach, I think he's going to lose."

Bush spokesman Dan Bartlett said Robertson "obviously hasn't been closely following this election," in which Bush repeatedly says Gore's policies — from tax cuts to energy to education — shows he shows the trusts government more than voters on key decisions.

"Governor Bush has outlined and explained very clearly that Al Gore's spending proposals will threaten the nation's economic future," Bartlett said.

Polls show both candidates have overwhelming support from their base supporters and are focusing now on moderates and swing voters, who they believe will determine who wins.

Tensions between Bush and religious conservatives were high this weekend after he scrapped plans to skip the Christian Coalition meeting and addressed it videotape. Some members were offended that he did not attend personally, choosing instead to spend Saturday practicing for his debate with Gore.

Robertson said conservatives are not energized. "They say, 'Why doesn't he get in there and start really hitting Gore,'" Robertson said.

Opponents question safety of RU-486

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Abortion opponents contended Sunday that the new abortion pill may be unsafe and raised the possibility of government action to limit its use.

Reform Party presidential candidate Patrick Buchanan called RU-486, the early-abortion method approved Thursday by the Food and Drug Administration for use in the United States, "a human pesticide."

As president, "I would use all the power of my office, including appointments at the FDA, to prevent its being put on the market," Buchanan said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Green Party candidate Ralph Nader, also on NBC, countered that use of the drug is "up to the woman, not the government."

"This is a pill that's been shown to be safe in Europe for numerous years," Nader said. "And it's preferable to surgical procedure."

Sen. Tim Hutchinson, R-Ark., said on ABC's "This Week" that there are "a lot of

questions" surrounding the safety of the pill — and that the outcome of next month's election will determine whether Congress has enough votes next year to put limits on its use.

Eleanor Smeal, president of the Feminist Majority Foundation, also on ABC, said the drug had undergone "tremendous review" by the FDA.

"They can protest as much as they want," she said of abortion foes. "This is a safe, effective method."

One lawmaker, Rep. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., said after the FDA's decision that he would promote legislation calling for severe limits on which doctors could administer mifepristone, the pill's chemical name.

The Christian Coalition's Pat Robertson said on CBS's "Face the Nation" that the drug's approval was a "political ploy" by Democrats to corner Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush on the subject.

Bush, whose father's admin-

istration banned RU-486 imports in 1989, opposes abortion. Vice President Gore supports the pill option.

Robertson said the pill should be reviewed to determine if it's a "danger to women."

The pill blocks action of a hormone essential for maintaining pregnancy. It has been used by millions of European women since it was approved nearly a decade ago. Anti-abortion advocates have fought hard to keep the drug out of the United States since it first appeared in France.

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Jane Henney approved mifepristone based on studies that found it 92 percent to 95 percent effective in causing abortion.

Complications are rare; serious bleeding occurs in 1 percent of women. But the pill-caused abortion requires three doctor visits and, to ensure it is performed accurately, the FDA restricted its use to doctors with certain training and mandated that detailed patient-information brochures be given to every woman.

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Senate approves new spending bill

◆ \$23.6 billion plan would alter flow of Mississippi River

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Senate gave final approval Monday to a \$23.6 billion energy and water package, inviting a pre-election veto fight with President Clinton over administration plans to alter the flow of the Missouri River.

The measure was approved, 57-37, but supporters fell 10 votes short of the 67 needed to overturn the veto that Clinton promised. Republicans voted 51-1 for the measure, while Democrats opposed it by 36-6.

The bill, loaded with scores of home-district projects for lawmakers, passed the House overwhelmingly last week. But it has been ensnared in a fight

over a provision that would block the administration from moving toward letting the Missouri River return to a seasonal, ebb-and-flow of its water levels.

In a battle that could echo in the presidential race, the administration says such a move would help endangered wildlife. Opponents say it could cause floods and hurt farmers and shippers.

The plan is so unpopular in Missouri, where opponents include lawmakers of both parties, that many Republicans have welcomed the veto battle as one that could throw the battleground state to GOP presidential candidate George W. Bush. Among the Missouri Democratic opponents are Gov. Mel Carnahan, who is running for Senate, and House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo.

"I guarantee this veto will have political ramifications,

and I will ramificate," Sen. Kit Bond, R-Mo., the chief foe of the proposal, joked afterward.

Sen. Pete Domenici, an author of the bill, said many Democratic senators "have asked for things in this bill and they've been granted things in this bill that their states desperately need."

But noting that Clinton has signed similar language in four previous years to block changing the river's flow, Domenici said Democrats were being "asked to vote against this" because Clinton "has suggested that this year, if it's in this bill, he will veto it."

Clinton called the measure "deeply flawed" and "anti-environmental," citing the Missouri River language and cuts in his proposals for restoration of Florida's Everglades, the California Bay delta, salmon populations in the Northwest and other issues.

Research may help cancer fertility woes

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Women having cancer therapy may one day be able to avoid the ovary damage that often leaves them unable to bear children, researchers report.

Scientists studying chemical and radiation damage to mice cells report promising results when the action of the chemical ceramide was blocked. But they caution that considerable work is needed before the method could be used in humans.

Blocking ceramide preserved the fertility of eggs normally destroyed in cancer treatment, researchers

report in the October issue of the journal Nature Medicine.

"This holds the promise of selectively preserving ovarian function and preventing this tragic side effect of the treatment of cancer," said Dr. Richard Kolesnick of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

"For the first time we have a promising prospect for a small molecule that could be given to women and girls undergoing cancer treatment to protect their ovaries," added Jonathan Tilly of Massachusetts General Hospital, the paper's senior author.

Tilly cautioned that tests have only been done in mice and that tests are under way to determine the treatment's effect on human ovary tissue that has been transplanted in mice.

"It's very difficult to put a time frame on," when the treatment could be available for humans, he said. "We will push ahead as quickly as we can."

In an accompanying news

article about the findings, Robert Casper and Andrea Juriscova of the University of Toronto said the research was "an innovative and exciting potential new treatment to prevent oocyte destruction after cancer treatment." Oocyte is the scientific term for the egg cells of mammals.

While the paper focuses on ovary damage caused by radiation, Tilly said in a telephone interview that similar protection also occurred in tests involving doxorubicin, a chemotherapy drug.

The researchers had earlier found that the death of the ovarian cells involved a series of chemicals, including ceramide. The conversion of a molecule in

the body called sphingomyelin into ceramide by an enzyme sets off the death of several types of cells in response to chemotherapy or radiation therapy.

So the scientists conducted tests to see if blocking the sphingomyelin pathway by using the compound sphingosine-1-phosphate would protect the eggs in live animals.

They injected S1P into the sac surrounding one ovary in each of a group of normal mice and then exposed them to a dose of radiation that would be expected to destroy most of their eggs.

Two weeks later the ovaries receiving S1P appeared healthy while the unprotected ovaries showed almost complete destruction of eggs.

"There was absolutely no damage at all that we could see," in the ovaries with S1P, Tilly said. "The ovaries looked normal ... the mice were cycling normally, they ovulated and were able to produce embryos. By all criteria they were normal."

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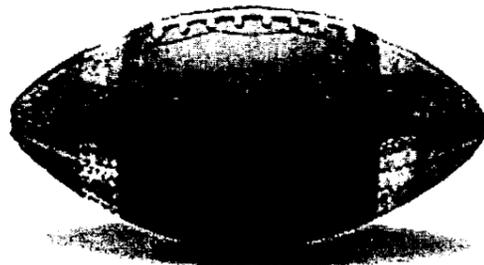
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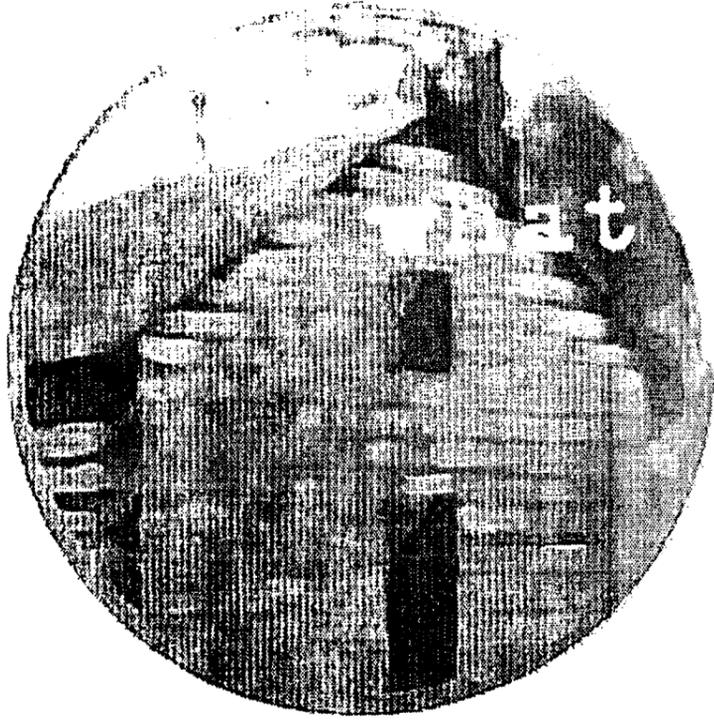
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Abortion protesters back priest

Associated Press

ROCKFORD, Ill. An annual anti-abortion rally was overshadowed by the case of a Roman Catholic priest accused of ramming his car into the city's only abortion clinic and hacking at the building with an ax.

The rally Sunday at Holy Family Church in Rockford was scheduled long before the incident, but it commanded much conversation among the approximately 1,000 protesters.

"I don't agree with his methods, but I appreciate his heart," said the Rev. David Broom, 25, pastor of the Faith Center nondenominational church.

The Rev. John Earl is charged with burglary and felony criminal damage to property for the alleged attack Saturday at the Northern Illinois Women's Center. The clinic wasn't open and there were no injuries. He was freed after posting \$10,000 bail.

Earl, 32, a priest at a Catholic church 30 miles away, was stopped inside the building by its owner, who fired two shotgun blasts to scare him away.

"It's hard to support those kinds of actions when you stand for life, but we definitely do support him in standing up

for life," Jeff O'Hara, 37, said at Sunday's rally.

Police have not disclosed a possible motive for the clinic attack. It came two days after government approval of the RU-486 abortion pill and was at the office of Dr. Richard Ragsdale, who successfully challenged Illinois abortion laws in the 1980s that he claimed were so strict they limited women's access to the procedure.

Earl, who was staying with his parents in DeKalb, has honored his bishop's instructions not to speak publicly about the case. But his father, Joseph Earl, came to his son's defense on Sunday, saying "the truth will come out" at an Oct. 9 court appearance.

"My son has taken a vow of obedience to the bishop that he would not speak to the media," Joseph Earl told The (Rockford) Register Star newspaper. "But as much as we love and respect the bishop, I want you to know that not everything that was in the paper happened."

The Diocese of Rockford said the priest's activities had been restricted while it investigates the allegations. A message left at the church, St. Patrick's Church in Rochelle, was not returned.

After Sunday's protest, about 100 people attended a meeting at Temple Baptist Church in Rockford where Joseph Scheidler, director of an anti-abortion group in Chicago, said Earl's attack had damaged

"It's hard to support those kinds of actions when you stand for life, but we definitely do support him in standing up for life."

**Jeff O'Hara
protester**

the movement.

"It reflects on all of us; it's not a good thing," he said.

The attack drew the ire of an Illinois women's organization that said the church and anti-abortion groups must take responsibility for violent acts against clinics and doctors who provide abortions.

"We've had some victories and some losses, but we've never driven a car into a building. I'm appalled by the violence," said Gay Bruhn, president of the Illinois chapter of the National Organization for Women.

Talks resume in L.A. transit worker strike

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

After nearly 12 hours of talks, transit authorities handed union negotiators a proposal aimed at ending a strike that has shut down most bus and rail service and stranded some 450,000 people who rely on public transportation.

James Williams, general chairman of the United Transportation Union, representing 4,300 bus and rail operators, said he planned to review the proposal by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and submit a counterproposal Monday.

"I am encouraged by the progress we made," Williams said Sunday night. He declined to give details about the proposal's content.

Brenda Diederichs, MTA's chief negotiator, said Sunday's talks in Pasadena were among the most fruitful.

The transit strike began Sept. 16, idling most of the MTA's bus and rail routes throughout Los Angeles County.

Mayor Richard Riordan met individually with negotiators, conducting shuttle diplomacy between rooms of the hotel where the talks were underway, MTA spokesman Marc

Littman said.

Riordan, who put in his first appearance to advance the talks Saturday, said he was "cautiously optimistic" an agreement would be reached.

Gov. Gray Davis weighed in as well, signing a bill union leaders said could remove one obstacle to a contract agreement. The new law keeps workers' collective bargaining agreements intact for at least four years if the MTA decides to split up into smaller transit zones.

The strike has hit mainly the county's working poor who cannot afford cars, students, the disabled and the elderly. The MTA says it is forfeiting about \$2 million per day in fares and tax receipts.

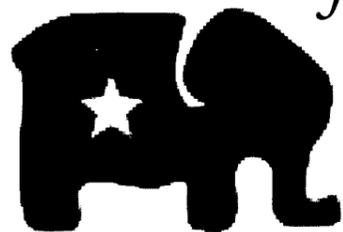
"Everyone's hurting," Littman said. "The common chord today is that everyone wants to end the strike."

Littman said that even if a tentative agreement was immediately reached, the strike would probably continue at least until Tuesday because rank-and-file union members were unlikely to return to work until they had ratified it.

It would take a day or two after that to resume service. Buses would have to be fueled and inspected, and electricity would have to be restored to 60 miles of train track.

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Excuse me, your pants are ringing

I am bitter. At the tender age of 21 I am very quickly turning into a hardened, bitter young lady, based on the not-so-subtle signs I've been receiving on campus from the start of school. I've been told, in not so many words, that I am unpopular and unwanted. I've been shunned, along with a majority of readers just like many of you, yes you, by the small population of star-quality wannabes lurking underneath trees outside the dining hall, on the front steps of classroom buildings and even sauntering across the quad. And do you know why I am exiled from even communicating with these chosen ones?

Because I do not have a cell phone. For all the really "cool kids" the phrases "Call Me!" and "I'll call you!" have taken on a whole new meaning, such as from the Latin *callus meus*: "Call Me!" in the middle of class; and "Call Me!" while I'm in the dining hall. And from the pig Latin I'll-hay all-Cay ou-Yay. "I'll call you!" in the elevator going up to the third floor, and "I'll call you while walking out of my room (which has a phone), and you are only two doors down.

Don't get me wrong, I love to talk on the phone at all hours of the day and night, and I have the phone bills to prove it. But is it really imperative that your boyfriend or girlfriend know that you have just started taking notes on chapter two of your business law class?

And don't get me wrong, because I think cell phones can be and are very useful. Lord knows I could have used one this summer when I had a blown-out tire on I-55, had no idea where I

was or how to change a spare (still don't) and there was no gas station or general phone area within a mile. It seems as if this cellular phenomenon, though growing very quickly in the past decade, suddenly exploded on Saint Mary's and Notre Dame's campuses this year.

It almost makes sense, with the vast array of calling plans available. These plans can let you have all sorts of cellular freedom, such as 5,000 minutes for a nickel, low rates for calling anywhere in the world, free voice mail, etc.

But you know what? If you are hungry, and in desperate need of Papa John's, all you have to do is go back in your room, pick up the phone and dial. It's free. That means no calling charge whatsoever. Wake up kids. We're college students. We are inherently poor. We can barely afford the Papa John's that we are ordering.

Thirty percent of people in general own cell phones according to Science News. And I'm pretty sure that 5 percent of those can be attributed to the sauntering few on campus, because apparently by walking very slowly while on a cell phone, you can hear the other person better.

But why do most people have cell phones anyway? So they can stay in touch, for an emergency, to do business, to have people know where they are at all times, yada, yada, yada. But who, in college, wants people to know where they are at all times? Ask yourself this, as you dish up pasta, chatting it up on a cell in the dining hall or as you palm the tiny morph that I'm sure Alexander Graham Bell never dreamed his invention would come to: do you really want people to be able to reach you at all times? Even when it's a Friday night, you're out with the girl or guy of your dreams, things are going well, you're "watching a movie," and your pants start ringing? There is nothing suave about it or around it. Well, there is, but I'll tell you about it later. On the phone. That has a cord. That's in my room.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Approving of human life

Next time you enjoy a cold beer, take a look at the side of the can. You'll find a warning on there from the federal government imploring pregnant women to refrain from drinking alcohol lest they injure their unborn children. "That's nice," you might think. "The government cares about babies."

Wrong. The government cares about wanted babies. While the Surgeon General is busy trying to keep pregnant women from drinking things that might injure their unborn children, another agency, the FDA, has been busy approving a pill developed for the sole purpose of killing unborn children. It's all left up to the luck of the draw.

If you're lucky enough to be a "wanted" child, the Surgeon General is there to protect you. However, if you're unlucky enough to have been conceived unexpectedly or perhaps show signs of a physical or mental disability — anything

that might make you "unwanted" — then the FDA is there to make sure you don't live long enough to make a nuisance of yourself.

Worst of all, this callous split personality is not limited to the government. Just take a look at the medical community today. If an unborn child is "wanted" there are no lengths to which doctors won't go to preserve that life, even performing surgery on children while they are still in the womb and taking heroic measures to save tiny infants born months premature. However, if that child is unlucky enough to be "unwanted," doctors have at their disposal an arsenal of pills, scalpels and suction devices designed to quickly extinguish these voiceless children who are most in need of our compassion and care.

Forget all the religious slogans on the one side and feminist propaganda on

the other. The issue is simple: no human life depends on the approval of others for its value. History is full of horrifying examples of what that kind of attitude can bring about. Yet that is exactly the attitude of our government and the medical community.

If you're convenient, you're important and worthy of protection. But, if you're inconvenient and unwanted, not only won't we protect you, we'll put our stamp of approval on devices and methods developed to hasten your death. The sad reality is that, when a society bases its respect for human life on such trivialities as race, religion or circumstance, it's not the actual value of life that is diminished, but the value of that society.

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"I think that for any generation to assert itself as an aware human entity, it has to break with the past, so obviously the kids that are coming along next are not going to have much in common with what we feel. They're going to create their own unique sound."

Jim Morrison
musician

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Presenting a script on free speech discussions

"Lights. Camera. Action!"

Scene 1: Newspapers were scattered messily atop the endless rows of oak tables, lined like soldiers in a military parade, in the University dining hall.

Cavernous, with enormously tall ceilings, the dining hall seemed spacious enough to house the entire South Bend homeless population. Portable bins, lined vertically with metal dividers, captured the discarded trays overflowing with uneaten food. Placed in the far left corner of the room, the bins were resorted to only when the conveyer belt carrying empty trays, like baggage claim in an airport, was so full it could not accept any more.

It was past 2 p.m., the cut-off time for lunch, and some stragglers lounged comfortably, engaged in conversation or casually perusing the student daily newspaper, *The Observer*. A few others still roamed the voluminous buffet-style cafeteria section, wrinkling their noses at the protein for the day — meatloaf — or impatiently standing in line for the more edible Chinese stir-fry. The food service area was separated from the dining hall, so that while a student is gathering his meal, he is held in suspense as to just how difficult it will be to find an empty chair in which to sit during the culinary rush hour.

Emerging from the kitchen side, two female students, most likely seniors for they wore sweats, are talking. One walks in front of the other, calling over her shoulder so that her friend can hear her. "Did you hear about *The Observer*? It was on the front page today?" she asks. They both step carefully through the open entrance so as not to spill their tall drinks; three glasses each. "It may no longer be run by students, which means a lot of edi-

tors and writers won't be able to work because of the University's limit on working hours allowed in the work-study program." She pauses, then adds: "This school is becoming totalitarian." Her friend, startled by the news, skids to a halt. A skinny freshman crashes into her back with the edge of his tray. "Are you kidding me?" she shouts, making a few diners look up from their food. "That's ridiculous ... what's next?"

At the same time, back in the corner next to the tray bin, now completely filled with the remnants of many a student's lunch, a hefty, blonde student wearing black glasses hunches over the paper and slurps his soup. He puts his spoon back into the bowl long enough to shake his head in disgust. His eyes scan down the article on the front page while reviewing what he has just read.

Deciding he has had enough, he stands so quickly that one might miss the roll of his eyes. He allows his newspaper to fall unceremoniously to the ground. "Cut!"

Scene 2: Huddled together over Whoppers and fries, four men decked out in Alumni Hall glory sit unaware of the two ResLife business suits seated at the table beside them. Seniors Brian and Pat

are talking to freshmen Pat and Brian about why Notre Dame doesn't feel like Notre Dame anymore. The same conversation has been heard all over campus. In fact, it is a round table discussion that would most likely garner unanimous agreement among all seniors. It starts somewhat like this: "When I was a freshman we camped out all night for football tickets and it was a great time ..."

And it begins like this: "I remember the Graffiti Dance — I still have my shirt ..."

And it continues in this way: "Weren't those nights at Bridget's some of the best ever ...?"

Stories of marshmallow fights, reminiscing about 6 a.m. jumping jacks on football mornings and fond memories of a student-run newspaper (student-run is the key word here) that was based in a central, convenient location. Imagine that! "Cut!"

Final Scene: In a second floor DeBartolo classroom, a gathering of anthropology students have placed their desks in a cooperative semi-circle. The arrangement allows for much discussion, debate and sharing. No pop quizzes, no long lectures, just pure intellectual engagement. The professor is guiding, not controlling the ebb and flow of the discussion. He is

famous throughout America for his expertise, but he is more than famous within the Notre Dame community — he is much beloved.

"What do you think about the way she wrote this book? Do you like it? Is it working for you?" he asks. The first — and only — answer came quickly. "I like how she doesn't force her opinion on you. She states the facts with subtlety. Even though her subject twists, turns and upends our perspectives on controversial issues such as abortion and infanticide, she doesn't push her point. She lets the reader figure it out for herself."

Strains of John Lennon's "Imagine" began playing in my mind. "Yeah," I thought, "Isn't that what it's all about? Letting everyone earn their adulthood by deciding what to think and do on their own, after careful consideration and education on the matter?" "Cut!"

This answer hit the mark. Taking it to the next logical level, we can generalize this principle across the board. The main characteristics needed to be a good writer can be applied to everything else. To be a good writer, indeed, a good student, parent, teacher, even (gasp!) a good University, is to state a fact, then an opinion, all the while keeping your ears open to what others have to add.

What's missing? The missing key is not allowing those who have prepared their minds to think as an adult, the opportunity to act as an adult. Let's leave the "adult" in "adulthood"; otherwise we just have hoods. "It's a wrap."

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**Brittany
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*All About
Anthropology*



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Clarifying the drinking 'Olympics'

As the major player in an affair that has gotten completely out of hand I feel it is necessary to set the record straight about the so-called Big House Olympics.

First of all, this started out as an idea for a party after I had attended several similar parties at the beginning of this year. This was supposed to be a party for seniors who studied abroad last year. The paper was correct in stating that it placed the different abroad programs on teams to compete against each other in several drinking games. This is where the issue is. The problem is that I was promoting immoderate levels of drinking (and I was stupid enough to put it in some ridiculous e-mails).

It was called the Budweiser Big House Olympics because Budweiser was making some banners for the event and the term "Big House" is what my friends and I call an off-campus house that is near where the event would have taken place.

Mr. Kirk did not threaten me nor did anyone from Residence Life or Student Affairs. It is true that I would have been in some serious trouble had this event taken place, and this was brought to my attention by Mr. Kirk. However, the discussion I had with Mr. Kirk focused on him trying to get me to understand why this was a dangerous idea. There was the possibility with this event, like any that involves alcohol, that people could have hurt themselves as a result of binge drinking. The event that I was organizing could have led to one of my classmates getting hurt. That is why it was cancelled. I sent out an e-mail to everyone on the list of students who studied abroad that the event was cancelled. That's it. There was no mention of Mr. Kirk, Student Affairs or the Residence Life Office.

If I thought it was dangerous, why was I organizing it? Well, that's the real issue here and all I can say is I didn't seriously think anyone was going to get hurt. If I did I would be pretty sick. Parties are supposed to be fun and somebody getting injured was not part of the planning

process. I think that is why Student Affairs had issues with the event. The fact is the potential for danger was there, and if someone had gotten seriously hurt I would not be able to live with myself. I guess I should thank the students who brought this event to Mr. Kirk's attention here for preventing this possibility.

Do I think this party was more dangerous than any of the others that go on every weekend? No. It did involve drinking games, but so does every other party I have been at this year. It was actually significantly smaller in numbers (in kegs and people) than several parties I will have attended this past weekend by the time this letter is printed.

Do I think it would have been a great time? Of course, there were dozens of students really excited by the idea and teams were organizing for weeks by making their own T-shirts and uniforms. It was a theme party with lots of enthusiasm, probably the most of any party I have been involved with since I have been here. Had it been pulled off safely, I'm sure everyone would have had a blast.

In the end, thankfully enough, all it amounted to was just a few e-mails I had written and a few phone calls. No one was hurt and no one had a party. It could have been a great time, but if someone had gotten hurt it could have ruined his or her life, and I would have been partially responsible. The fact is, for better or worse, nothing happened.

Do I think it was worth putting on the front page of *The Observer* or even a bathroom stall? No. That's a whole other issue though.

Brian Jochum
senior
Alumni Hall
Sept. 29, 2000

Building community at St. Mary's

The senior Belles of Annunciata Hall at Saint Mary's College are hosting a community gathering for Notre Dame, Holy Cross and Saint Mary's women. In the spirit of our pride week, we encourage all members of the collegiate communities to reflect on the positive aspects of their respective schools. Saint Mary's Pride Week gives us the opportunity to celebrate our individuality without comparison to others.

Over the past four years, we have witnessed Saint Mary's pride flourish and thrive. We encourage Saint Mary's women to be active in the events planned for this week. Pride Week is a legacy we leave this campus. We hope the tradition of pride in Saint Mary's College continues long after we have graduated.

As a women's college, our Pride Week also serves as a celebration for all women. We invite the women of Notre Dame and Holy Cross to join us for a special gathering in the Annunciata Hall lounge (fourth floor of Holy Cross Hall), on Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 8:30 p.m.

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Seniors
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ALBUM REVIEW

New Tragically Hip leaves much to be desired

By TIM BODONY
Scene Music Critic

The Tragically Hip are huge in their native Canada. The question is, should American audiences care?

America adopted the Barenaked Ladies after Canada grew tired of them, but this is unlikely to happen with the Hip. As their newest release *Music @ Work* demonstrates, The Hip play a solid and polished brand of rock that is virtually undistinguishable from count-

less other bands that proliferate the market today. The Hip would completely lack an identity of their own if it were not for the domineering and instantly identifiable voice of Gord Downie — all at once the band's greatest asset and liability.

There is a body of evidence to suggest that enjoyment of Canadian rock music is not an acquired skill. The quintessential progressive rock trio Rush comes to mind right away. Its vocalist, Geddy Lee, could extend his voice far beyond the normal male vocal range, prompting comparisons to airport noise and animals in distress. Nevertheless, Rush built up a legion of dedicated fans who apparently were not turned away by Lee's shrill vocal style.

Thanks to

Downie's peculiar phrasing and somewhat nasally vocal tone, The Tragically Hip's music has this same love-it-or-leave-it quality to it, which may or may not depend on some sort of genetic predisposition. (Scientists at the Human Genome Project should look into this right away.)

The primary fault of *Music @ Work* is the awkward relationship between the lyrics and the music that accompanies them. On paper, some of these lyrics seem impossible to sing gracefully. For example, the opening lines to "Train Overnight," "I loaded the variables like masterpieces from / under the germ-led advance. / I saw your compass on a sea of frayed cable / and aspects of vision afloat in a glance." Or even worse, the first lines of "Sharks," "Sharks don't attack the Irish, it's mostly the Australians. There's nothing accomplished by these splashing citizens." Downie somehow manages to sing these words, but more than often it is far from graceful. The blockish quality of the lyrics requires Downie to stress odd words and syllables and vary his pitch widely. In the end, this just becomes a bit agitating.

Music @ Work does have its bright

spots. "The Completists" is the strongest effort on the album, a three-minute radio-ready track complete with a neat hook and lyrics that are actually lyrical. However, this song still can't compete with "Bobcaygeon," the highlight of the Hip's last record *Phantom Power*.

Unfortunately, the musical highlights of the album find the band sounding like someone else. "Tiger the Lion," which begins with a haunting collage of distorted strings, gradually dissolves into an outro jam reminiscent of Pink Floyd's "Comfortably Numb." Too bad it only lasts for one minute. Tabla dominates the soundscape of "The Bastard," a three-chord rocker with hints of Kula Shaker.

When left to their own devices, the Hip deliver a product that is less than memorable, but nonetheless fully Canadian (thanks in large part to northern-oriented song titles such as "Toronto #4," "The Bear" and "Lake Fever").

However, the bright spots are not bright enough to rescue *Music @ Work* from mediocrity. The Hip certainly have their own distinctive voice, but they fail to say anything remarkable with it.

Music @ Work
The Tragically Hip

Sire Records

Rating



CONCERT REVIEW

Matchbox 20 leaves local JACC crowd satisfied

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Scene Music Critic

You wouldn't go calling Rob Thomas a risk-taker.

Thomas, the 28-year old lead singer of the multi-platinum alternative band Matchbox Twenty, probably wanted to play it safe when he opened his concert with his chart-topping single *Bent* Monday night. After nearly six months of heavy radio play, the first single off MB20's sophomore release *Mad Season* has proven itself to be yet another hit for Thomas and the rest of Twenty.

And the crowd didn't disagree.

Met with deafening roars from the twentysomethings and high schoolers that inhabited the JACC for the two-hour set, Matchbox Twenty proved that their second LP is just as hit-worthy as the first. But there's a new aire about the band this time around. No longer

dazed by newfound stardom, the new Thomas moves through his sets with a sultry confidence that comes powering through

his trademark soupy croon.

But then again, the confidence is to be expected. After a brief stint co-writing with guitar legend Carlos Santana on the Grammy award-winning "Smooth" in 1999, Thomas isn't a kid anymore. The lyrics and melodies on *Mad Season* show the influence of a more seasoned musician, and Thomas knows it in his performance. But don't go expecting a dynamic stage presence — or any surprises for that matter. Thomas grasped the microphone in his left hand and rhythmically beat on his chest for most of the night, rarely deviating from center stage, playing his hits as he went. The rest of the band was about as uninspiring in their stage presence as Thomas was, preferring instead to back their hits up with strong guitar and drum backup.

But then again, that's the kind of band Matchbox Twenty is — a band of hits.

From familiar favorites "Real World," "3 a.m.," "Long Day," and the new "Bent" to up-and-coming releases "Crush" and "If



Photo courtesy of Lippman Entertainment

The hit-laden, multi-platinum band Matchbox Twenty, headed by singer Rob Thomas, rocked the JACC with explosive hits from their freshman and sophomore album releases on Monday night.

You're Gone," Matchbox Twenty isn't expected to be a dynamic musical performance or full of stunning stage effects. They're expected to sing the hits. And as Thomas swaggered through his set, laden with radio-friendly favorites, the crowd provided their affirmation through their backup vocals. And while MB20 rarely deviated into drum or guitar solos that often showcase band members' individual talents during a concert setting, Thomas and Twenty know why they're there — to deliver the hits. And that's what they do so well.

That isn't to say that Thomas or the band isn't capable of versatility. Slowing the show down at the halfway point, Thomas

showcased his acoustic talents singing Cyndi Lauper's "Time After Time." Following up with "Hang" and *Mad Season*'s "You Won't Be Mine" and "Rest Stop," the band showcased their strength in smooth ballads. With the newer songs featuring a three-piece horn section embedded behind the piano, guitar and drums, Thomas' performance of *Mad Season*'s new ballads showcased a new musical depth that puts a new spin on the band's perennial strength.

Gaining momentum as the show went on, the band picked up the pace with funky new guitar riffs on the title track "Mad Season" and "Angry." Joining forces with opening band The

Jayhawks for a final number, Thomas finally gave the crowd some unpredictability, combining for an explosive Rolling Stones number that lit up the stage — and the crowd.

Wrapping up with a crowd-popular performance of the '97 hit *Push* that gave the band its fame and fortune, Thomas concluded the night with a mix of new and old. Ending with the upbeat "Black And White People" — undoubtedly another future hit — Matchbox Twenty left a hit-hungry JACC crowd satisfied.

Of course, it could have been more spectacular.

But then again, that's a risk that a hit-loaded band doesn't need to take.

Set List

October 3, 2000
Joyce Athletic Center

Set:

Bent
Crush
Argue
Girl Like That
Kody
3 a.m.
Last Beautiful Girl
Lonely People
Long Day
Time After Time
Hang
You Won't Be Mine
Rest Stop
If You're Gone
Mad Season
Angry
Real World
Back 2 Good

Encore:

Busted
Push
Black And White People

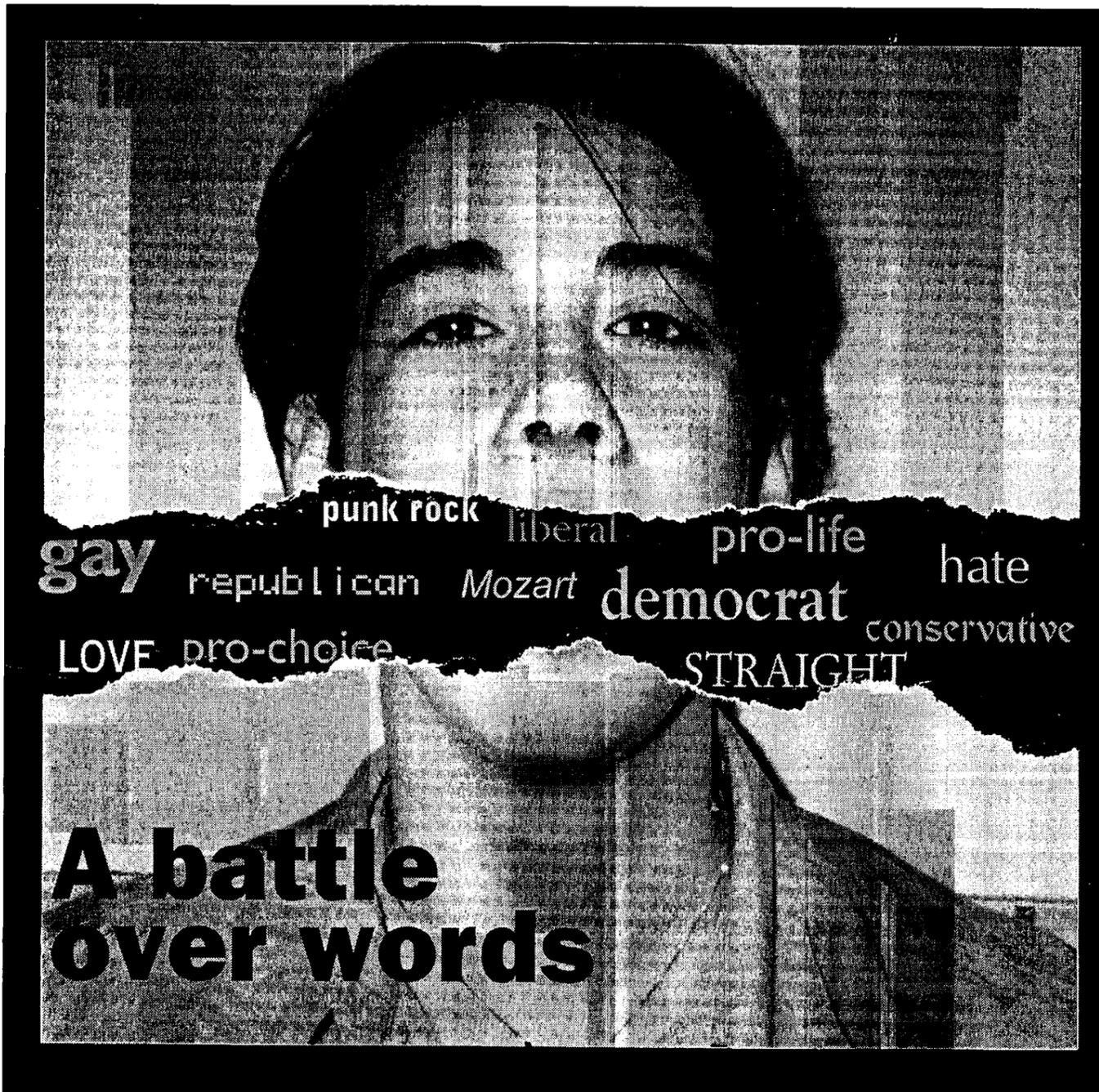
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Can we speak freely?

Events in the last two semesters have raised questions about students' rights on campus. This week, The Observer looks at free speech at Notre Dame.



◆ Students question and administration defends speech policies

By ERIN PIROUTEK
In Focus Writer

The first amendment of the Constitution guarantees Congress can not abridge free speech or the right of the people to peacefully assemble.

But Notre Dame, a private institution, has the power to abridge those rights on its campus. Du Lac sets firm rules about

demonstrations and speakers, and while the rules are designed to protect students, at the same time they do limit freedom.

Many students wonder if the limits du Lac places on student speech is merely to save the University from potentially embarrassing situations.

Permission denied

Senior Julie Hodek hates sweatshops. Last fall, she decided to pass out anti-sweatshop leaflets. Since she had concerns about the manufacture of clothing sold at Notre Dame's bookstore, that seemed like the logical place to distribute information. Football weekends, when the

bookstore is crowded and phenomenal amounts of clothing are sold, seemed like a logical time.

Although Hodek attempted to follow du Lac's procedures for registering a demonstration, she was not granted permission. Student Affairs denied the request because of congestion in the bookstore area and garbage generated by leaflets.

Adding insult to the denial, said Hodek, was that credit card companies were free to solicit business in front of the bookstore.

Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for Residence Life, said the situation was a

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Women's Resource Center still feels probation's sting



TONY FLOYD/The Observer

Abortion material on the literature rack at the Women's Resource Center led to the club being put on probation in 1998. Since then, the group has been under tight restrictions.

By KATE STEER
In Focus Writer

In recent years, there is one event which, for critics of University policy, most clearly demonstrates the need to loosen restrictions on student speech.

This event happened in April, 1998, when the Women's Resource Center (WRC) was severely sanctioned for distributing information on abortion. The WRC has never been the same.

The allegations against the WRC first appeared in campus publication Right Reason, with the testimony of then-junior Christine Gabany's trip to the club's office.

Gabany requested information on abortion from the group, which advertised itself as a resource cen-

ter for women in crisis and often sponsored talks on women's issues such as rape, pregnancy and eating disorders. The WRC staffer on duty presented Gabany with information including a Planned Parenthood pamphlet, names and phone numbers of area abortion clinics as listed in a phone book and an alleged listing of procedures and prices at a Niles, Mich. clinic. In a letter to The Observer, Gabany urged the Notre Dame community to "stop the outrageous actions of the WRC."

In response to the allegations, Joe Cassidy, then-director of Student Activities, assembled an investigative committee. In a letter to WRC officers, Cassidy pointed to a clause in du Lac which says student organizations may not "encourage or participate in any activity which contravenes the mission of the

University or the moral teachings of the Catholic Church." He set forth three conditions for the WRC's continuation: a two-year probation, the removal of material which "promotes or is value-neutral on the issue of abortion" by the beginning of the 1998-1999 academic year and mandatory regular meetings between himself and WRC officers.

The incoming officers adhered to these conditions. But the Faculty Senate disapproved of the censorship of materials in the resource center. Student Affairs Committee chair Ava Preacher questioned the appropriateness of those conditions and asked Cassidy to rescind them. The Student Affairs Committee called the probation a "violation of the academic freedom of student

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ONE PERSON'S VIEW

Don't avoid discussing our disagreements

Free speech.

It is the lifeblood of democratic society, the fundamental right we have as American citizens to speak our minds. And while few would call Notre Dame democratic, it is still a society. It is a community of students, faculty, staffers and administrators who live and work together. And like any community, we are bound to disagree.

In most communities, when people disagree, they talk about those disagreements. They debate. They argue. They learn from each other. And they do it in public.

But at Notre Dame, too often, we cannot have those discussions, at least not on a public stage. Decisions that affect every person living and working on this campus are made behind closed doors, often with minimal input from the students, the people for whom this institution exists.

The officers, the Board of Trustees, and their leaders, the Board of Fellows, make the decisions at this University. Sometimes they ask the student body for input. Usually they don't. According to du Lac, students are not even allowed to contact Trustees or officers, except for purely personal communication, without going through the Office of Student Affairs first.

But more troubling than Notre Dame's decision-making process is the ways in which the University silences student groups which disagree with its policies. Through a maze of club approval requirements and an obstacle course of event registration red tape, instances of vocal disagreement from students are muffled.

To its credit, Notre Dame maintains an open speakers policy, meaning that an approved student group can bring anyone they want to speak on campus. But to bring someone to speak, a group must first be approved. And a group cannot be approved if it holds positions that disagree with the Catholic Church.

One need only to look at events to see how this affects debate under the Dome. Notre Dame's administration has a history of restriction. They did it to the Women's Resource Center. They've been doing it to gay student groups for years. They're thinking about doing it to The Observer.

This restriction hurts the efforts of campus activists. But more importantly, it mutes discussion of our disagreements, to the detriment of us all.

When was the last time you heard any two-sided debate on this campus about abortion? What about homosexual marriage, or birth control? These are some of the biggest social issues of our time, but it's rare to hear anything other than the same arguments from the Catholic Church that people have been making for years.

Student complacency, even apathy, certainly doesn't help efforts to foster discussion, but it can not be denied that University policies hurt those efforts as well. And if we can't have those discussions, we can't truly understand those issues. And if we can't understand them, how are we expected to make informed moral choices about them?

Discussing the divisions among the Notre Dame family won't hurt this community; it will strengthen it. And allowing truly free, unfettered debate about difficult issues won't make Notre Dame look bad; it will improve the education of the students who attend this wonderful university.

And shouldn't that be what this community is all about?

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Faculty say free speech must be protected at any university

By ERIN LaRUFFA
In Focus Writer

Most Notre Dame students are passionate about football and even their class work. But students tend to be much less passionate about free speech.

Free speech is a crucial part of education to their professors, however.

"If I can't go into a classroom and give you all sides of an issue, I'm not giving you an education," said Ava Preacher, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters and a former Faculty Senate member. "Students need to be able to explore the issues themselves."

The ability to speak freely is essential at a university because universities are places to discuss differing viewpoints, said senate member and engineering professor David Kirkner.

"The university is a place where free speech is more important," he said. "It's fundamental to the definition of a university."

Education means more than learning material well enough to get a good grade on a final exam, according to philosophy professor Ed Manier, chair of senate's Student Affairs Committee.

"It's a question of personal growth," he said.

Part of that growth, he explained, involves students learning to make up their own minds about complex issues.

"If you can't explore ideas, you're not being educated — you're being indoctrinated," said Preacher, also a film, television and theater professor. "If we have faith that our faith is strong, then we know our students will make the right moral choices."

Fully exploring certain issues can be a challenge at a Catholic university. But to many professors, that investigation is crucial, and students must balance obedience to the Church in general with obedience to their conscience on particular issues.

"To say otherwise is also to render the term 'Catholic University' incoherent since universities by their nature must not simply 'obey' particular formulations of doctrine," Manier said. "It is instead their distinctive function to question and test all such formulations."

Furthermore, such questions should not be bound within classroom walls, Manier adds.

"If those habits aren't rooted in your whole life, you're not going to bring 100 percent to the classroom," he said.

Many students would agree that their Notre Dame education extends beyond their course work.

"College is all about dispersing information," said Joe Smith, former president of the Progressive Student Alliance. "Students should be able to speak freely outside of class. We're all adults here."

Many Notre Dame students do not show similar concern about free speech.

"In recent times ... more has been heard from the Faculty Senate than from the students," Kirkner said.

For example, when the Women's Resource Center (WRC) was put on probation a few years ago for making information on abortion available, it was the Faculty Senate that



KEVIN DALUM/The Observer

History professor Gail Bederman speaks at a 1998 rally at Fieldhouse Mall. Faculty members have often been the most vocal supporters of free speech on campus in recent years.

took a lead on the issue.

The senate supported the WRC, and its resolutions placed the issue on the agenda of the Academic Council, an influential group of faculty and administrators. While the Senate can not change University policy, the Council can, and the faculty group has "right of agenda" with the Council, something the Student Senate lacks.

That is just one of many reasons why students are often reluctant to deal with controversial issues. But some see other reasons. Some professors believe that students simply do not care.

"I think the students are generally apathetic," said engineering professor Joe Powers, a former Faculty Senator.

Manier explained that the unwillingness of many students to deal with this issue may be a symptom of larger cultural tendencies.

There is a "view that's prevalent in our culture," Manier explained, only certain areas of one's life are worth exercising freedom in. Those areas usually do not require public debate or common goals.

"Everything about a university should be organized to challenge that apathy. I don't think everything about this University is organized to challenge that tendency to be apathetic," Manier said.

However, Manier, Preacher and Kirkner see additional reasons for students not being more outspoken.

One problem is that students are

not aware of certain channels through which they can speak out.

"I think students feel disempowered. DuLac seems very strict," Preacher said. She added that most students do not read DuLac carefully, and there is also little direction in DuLac about what to expect in hearings. Therefore, students often do not know where they can take their voice, according to Preacher.

"I think students feel disempowered because there's not much clarity in the procedures," she said. She contrasted these procedures to those of the Office of Residence Life, which Preacher believes are much easier for students to understand.

Students do not know when they cross the line into unacceptable speech, Preacher said.

That uncertainty also makes students less likely to exercise free speech because they do not want to alienate professors or the administration, according to Preacher.

"Notre Dame students ... are extremely polite," Manier said. "If you're going to be polite with someone, you're not going to debate religion or politics with him."

Instead, students want to "keep the relationship going" with the University, according to Manier.

A problem with that, however, is that many students see that relationship with the University as a parental one, Preacher and Manier pointed out. Students therefore believe the University's administration is an authority to obey.

education?

Speaking freely



David Kirkner
Faculty Senate

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Molly Morin
co-chair
OutreachND

"We tried to make it as easy as possible. I can't think of the last time we didn't allow a demonstration."



Bill Kirk
Asst. VP for
Student Affairs

"I support the University's right to control hurtful things, disrespectful things. At the same time, it's hurtful, especially to us when we're trying to open up a respectful dialogue."

Preacher explained.

The problem with such a view, Manier said, is that students will not be the best they could possibly be if they are accustomed to doing only what they are told.

But to these professors, limits on free speech not only harm students, limitations also harm the University as a whole.

"Legally speaking, a university could do whatever it wants The question is whether it is well advised to do so," Powers said. "A university is extremely ill-advised to do things to suppress free speech."

According to Preacher, if the University did anything to restrict free speech, Notre Dame's place in the influential U.S. News & World Report Rankings could drop. In addition, Preacher said new professors will not want to come to a school if there is a chance their rights may be limited inside or outside the classroom.

Another argument commonly forwarded by free speech proponents is that when speech is limited in one area, limits in other areas become more feasible.

"Notre Dame students' rights of free speech, free press and freedom of assembly are inextricably linked

together in attempts to improve the integration of academic and campus life at this University," Manier said. "Arbitrary limitations of freedom in any of those areas endangers each of the others."

Kirkner expressed a similar view. "It's very dangerous to start toying with your basic free rights," Kirkner said.

However, some members of the Notre Dame community believe limitations on free speech do exist in certain areas, particularly when it comes to student groups.

Part of the PSA's goal, in fact, is to change the club recognition process so that students would vote on whether a club receives recognition instead of administrators making the decision.

"If students get together, they very frequently have fewer rights than they would as individuals," Manier said. "Student organizations that deal with controversial issues ... should have the same sort of freedoms as professors in their classrooms."

However, according to Powers, free speech can be dangerous.

"It's a danger I'm generally willing to live with because I think the alternative is worse," he said.

However, he added that a university should restrict free speech under "extremely rare" conditions.

"Free speech can be misused," Powers said. "Some people have their own ends."

To illustrate this point, Powers used the hypothetical situation of the Ku Klux Klan asking to speak on campus. He predicted that a number of "rightfully indignant" people would protest if the KKK were allowed to have a rally on campus. Powers added that he would be in favor of the University not allowing the KKK to speak here.

At the same time, Powers pointed out that preventing the KKK from speaking here would establish a principle that would raise questions about which groups the University should allow to speak on campus. He pointed out that what is offensively speech to some may be perfectly acceptable to others.

"It's very hard to say 'This is hate speech,'" Powers said, but the illustration raises something to remember.

"[Free speech is] a difficult issue and an issue that universities continually have to be engaging to find the right way to exist in the society," Powers said.

PSA plans to push ND to change policy

By JASON McFARLEY
In Focus Writer

Aaron Kreider calls the issue currently topping the Progressive Student Alliance's (PSA) agenda a "campaign for free speech."

But the sociology graduate student, a founding member of the activist Notre Dame club, knows that the undertaking is as much a matter of students' rights as it is about the group itself.

That's because the campaign comes largely in response to frustrations Kreider and the PSA have experienced with University rules ever since the organization's founding in February 1998.

"This [campaign] is the result of various experiences we've had over the past few years with rules we disagree with," said Kreider, treasurer and past president of the PSA.

Senior Joe Smith, another former president, agrees.

"We're always looking for new issues," Smith said. "This one springs from what the PSA has been attacked on in the past."

Smith said that, in particular, two run-ins with the Student Activities Office (SAO) inspired the PSA's interest in the free speech issue.

The first came in the 1999 spring semester, when Student Activities cited the PSA for hanging unapproved posters advertising club events in O'Shaughnessy Hall. Du Lac, the University guide to student life, stipulates that "student organizations and residence facilities may use University bulletin boards to announce activities and to advertise, provided the posters receive a stamp of approval from the Student Activities Office."

But Smith, who said the rule is enforced arbitrarily, noted that Notre Dame officials disregard unsanctioned corporate use of bulletin boards, which du Lac also addresses. "Non-university businesses for profit are not allowed to use University bulletin boards," according to the 2000-2001 handbook.

"A quick check of any of the bulletin boards in the halls shows that the wrong people are getting a chance to speak — businesses and corporations, not students," Smith said.

The poster incident netted the PSA the organization's first probation.

The second came last February after the group was reprimanded for passing out unauthorized anti-sweatshop literature outside the Joyce Center during Junior Parents Weekend activities. While du Lac doesn't specifically prohibit leafletting, the University considers the act a demonstration, and as such, it "must be registered in writing with the assistant vice president for Residence Life."

The SAO originally placed the PSA on probationary status until the end of the semester, but by early March, the Office of Student Affairs had lifted the charge.

This semester has brought a new sense of purpose to the PSA, according to Kreider.

"Our goals now are to get some of the du Lac rules changed," he said. "This could have far-reaching implications for student media, campus demonstrations and club recognition."

To begin work on the issue, the PSA plans to form a coalition, tentatively called the Coalition for Free Speech, with other campus clubs. Kreider said he hopes to garner the support of about 10 core groups and to organize a coalition founding meeting early next week.

Their goals include: placing club approval in the hands of student government, not Student Activities; revamping the poster approval policy; eliminating pre-approval for leafletting; allowing sidewalk chalk; ending the policy requiring 30-day approval and University chaperone for club trips; and allowing door-to-door canvassing by clubs.

In addition, Kreider said proposals are in the works to recommend turning the Fieldhouse Mall into a free speech zone for demonstrations and setting up poster kiosks for accessible display space. Kreider also noted that The Observer's possible loss of its independent status may factor into the PSA's free speech campaign.

Kreider said the coalition will try to schedule a meeting with Father Mark Poorman, vice president of Student Affairs, shortly after mid-semester break in October. Following the meeting, the coalition would possibly revise its proposals and then officially submit them to Student Affairs.

While Kreider envisions reaching compromises with the University on some issues, he said, "if the University doesn't want to work with us, we'll rally and protest."



Philosophy professor Ed Manier speaks at a 1998 rally. Manier, current chair of the Faculty Senate's Student Affairs Committee, has been a vocal critic of University restrictions on free speech and assembly. He argues that the freedom to voice dissenting opinions is essential to the academic mission of the University.

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Speech

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misunderstanding. Concerned with congestion in the bookstore area, he denied student requests. But once he realized commercial booths were there, he allowed students to protest in that area.

Hodek has a differing view of the intent of University policies. She said that she brought the issue of commercial booths to Student Affairs' notice immediately. Yet the bookstore protest was not approved until the last game of the season.

"If it had been an issue that wouldn't embarrass the University, Student Affairs would have accommodated me," Hodek said.

Speakers, demonstrations and informational tables all require students to follow specific policies outlined in du Lac. All need advance approval from either Student Activities or the assistant vice president of Residence Life.

Red tape

Students wanting to react immediately to current events are slowed by the wait for official approval.

"You can't act on anything with any kind of rapid response," Hodek said.

Kirk maintains that University policies are simple and necessary. He considers the logistics of a demonstration to ensure it doesn't interrupt teaching and learning activities. Demonstrations with amplified sound can't disrupt a class, for example. A demonstration can't block access to a University building.

"We tried to make it as easy as possible," Kirk said. "I can't think of the last time we didn't allow a demonstration."

But a student could never decide on Friday morning that they'd like to pass out leaflets at Fieldhouse mall that afternoon. Free speech would probably gain approval — just not on that timetable.

These timetables, however, for demonstrating and sponsoring speakers, however, apply only to recognized student groups and individual students.

A matter of recognition

An unrecognized student group faces many challenges to freely express their opinions.

"Our efforts are often stifled by the University's control," said Molly Morin, co-chair of OutreachND, a group dedicated to providing a welcoming environment for gay, lesbian and bisexual students. Gay student groups have applied for recognition many times in the past — OutreachND most recently applied last spring — but they have never received it.

Morin noted that OutreachND has difficulty advertising events and cannot directly sponsor speakers.

"We're not trying to impose our views on anyone. We're just trying to present them," Morin said.

One way they address their mission is in support meetings. But as an unrecognized group it's difficult to let students know about the meetings.

Nor can it gain approval for posters. Members often put them up, but they generally are removed. Meanwhile, other non-approved posters — those of students trying to sell a car or offer tutoring service, for example —

often remain.

Mary Edgington, director of Student Activities, denies that Outreach posters are a specific target, noting that regulations vary between buildings. Staff doesn't always have enough time to remove all un-approved posters.

"We don't target one group over another at all," she said.

Nevertheless, as long as Outreach remains unrecognized, they'll have to be creative to publicize their message.

A chance to be heard

While the rules governing student groups can be limiting, individual students have greater freedom.

"It's actually a sign of progress that we are allowed to speak as individuals," said Morin, who has spoken about homosexual issues in dorms and to a class.

Any individual student can invite a speaker to campus, as long as they follow all procedures for approval — a privilege unrecognized groups don't have. But logistical and financial concerns coupled with the approval process make inviting a speaker a daunting task for an individual.

Still, approved speakers are guaranteed a chance to say what they want. Notre Dame's "open door" speaker policy is designed to promote free expression of ideas. The speaker is allowed freedom to present any opinion they choose.

"We've had people speaking on both sides of a whole lot of issues," Kirk said.

Even the open door speaker policy, however, creates questions about the balance between freedom and control.

A student group can sponsor a speaker who disagreed with the

moral teachings of the Catholic Church. But the group itself could not hand out literature on the same topic. Speakers have freedom to present these controversial opinions; student groups do not.

Officials explain that there is a distinction between speakers and student groups.

"An individual can promote an idea in a public forum without institutional approval," Edgington said. "A club or recognized organization is an extension of the University."

Student groups, therefore, must yield to the University's interpretation of Catholic moral teaching, although most groups' activities fall within these limits.

Finding what's appropriate

"I can't remember a time we ever said no to someone because of what they had to say," Edgington said.

At times though, students and administrators disagree about the appropriate boundaries.

"I support the University's right to control hurtful things, disrespectful things," Morin said. "At the same time, it's hurtful, especially to us when we're trying to open up a respectful dialogue."

Across the wide spectrum of organizations on campus, it's rare that a student group's activities oppose Catholic moral teaching. Few unrecognized student groups exist. Although these groups are the minority, do they have a place in Notre Dame's Catholic mission?

"In an institution of higher learning, you've got to be able to present respectfully dissenting opinions," Morin said.

But at Notre Dame, University policy makes some of those opinions difficult to express.

WRC

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members of organizations dealing with academically, religiously or politically controversial issues."

In March of 1999, Cassidy rejected Preacher's requests.

Two years after the controversy began, the WRC is in operation, though without freedom to present all materials as resources. The issue remains volatile. Ann Firth, assistant to the vice president of Student Affairs and member of the investigative panel, defends Cassidy's decision.

"The decision was rendered by the entire three-person board that was asked to look into what had occurred, and we were unanimous in our decision making," she said. Cassidy left the University this summer. Preacher maintains the Faculty Senate's stance against his decision and the faulty proceedings leading to the punishment.

The issue is by no means settled or resolved, according to Preacher.

"The question remains, What are the boundaries of the issue of free speech in a university community?" Preacher asked.

WRC officer Marnie Bowen still feels the sting of the conditional existence of the Center. "I don't agree with the restrictions," she said. "What we were doing wasn't a political stance."

Nevertheless, Bowen said, the WRC must follow its restrictions or face abolition. Until the probation ends, the group will be limited.

"I wouldn't want what happened to [the WRC] to happen to other clubs," she said.



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ALBUM REVIEW

BEP bring underground hip-hop to mainstream

By JEFF JOHNSON
Scene Music Critic

The state of hip-hop has undergone huge changes in the past few years. Where there was once a great difference between the mainstream and the underground, today it seems that this line is blurred. Once an underground and complete unknown, Eminem is arguably the most commercially successful hip-hop artist ever. Common, a favorite of underground fans for years, has a top 10 single with "The Light."

Tours like the Warped Tour and many others are joining hip-hop acts like Jurassic 5 and Dilated Peoples with rock bands. The Roots, pioneers in attempting to bring underground music closer to the mainstream, combine live instrumentation with hip-hop, complete with drums, bass, horns and a human beat-box. Many of these artists are out to fatten their pockets, but some are on a grander mission — to save hip-hop. Enter the Black Eyed Peas.

On the follow-up to the acclaimed 1998 debut *Behind the Front* (which included the club hit "Joints and Jams"), Los Angeles based hip hop trio Black Eyed Peas follow in the same vein as groups like Jurassic 5 and the Roots, attempting to bring underground hip hop to the mainstream. Aptly titled, *Bridging the Gap* shows the maturity and diversity of BEP, with a host of guests to compliment them. After touring with groups like No Doubt and Lit and having spent time on the Warped and Smoking Grooves tours, this Cali trio feels they have matured musically — and they want to tell the whole world about it. The sounds on *Bridging the Gap* range from funk to jazz to latin to calypso to straight up hip-hop.

On the opening track, "BEP Empire," one of hip-hop's finest beatminers, DJ Premier, lends a hand. Over Primo's cuts and scratches, the trio, comprised of Will.i.am, Taboo, and Apl.de.ap, berate the ever-popular "bling! bling!" rappers with lines like, "Every rapper's talking about 'I'm gonna kill somebody,' but you ain't hip hop to me." "Your style is dated and you ain't come out yet" and "Pick up your mic, put your money where your mouth is." BEP brings a similar tone to "Get Original," this time with some help from one of



Photo courtesy of Interscope Records

In *Bridging the Gap*, BEP continue their mission to make the hip-hop scene "get original," through one of the most creative and brilliant underground albums of the year.

hip-hop's emerging lyricists Chali 2Na. The chorus pleads the aforementioned bling-blingers to "stop now, get original."

Perhaps *Bridging the Gap*'s best track, "On My Own" features the lyrical fluctuations of Mos Def and the musing of Les Nubians over a dark piano beat. Toronto-based group Esthero lends their trip-hop stylings to the Peas' latest single, "Weekends," an ode to the nine-to-five. "Rap Song," featuring the Caribbean sounds of Wyclef Jean, shows BEP comparing the feelings toward the women in their lives with some of their favorite hip-hop tracks.

Other standout tracks include "Cali to

New York," featuring classic hip-hoppers De La Soul, "Hot," "Little, Little" and "Request Line" featuring Macy Gray, which pays homage to the radio DJ.

Will.i.am, Taboo and Apl.de.ap may not be the most talented of emcees, but ultimately they get the job done. While the album's title might suggest a mission bigger than this trio can handle alone, *Bridging the Gap* serves as a reminder to live it up and not take ourselves so seriously.

With hip-hop flourishing, and with help from artists like the Roots, Common, Mos Def, Talib Kweli and Jurassic 5, the gap may very well be bridged.

Bridging The Gap
Black Eyed Peas
Interscope Records

Rating
★★★★☆



ALBUM REVIEW

Individual styles of legends clash on collaboration

By THOMAS OGORZALEK
Scene Music Critic

The blues is rarely a triumphant form. A blues album is typically a live set recorded in a too-small venue or a set of raw recordings from a too-poor studio. When legends unite, however, the result is frequently quite different.

B.B. King, the greatest living bluesman, and Eric Clapton, who makes a strong case for greatest living guitarist, get together on an album that is squeaky clean and polished in this summer's *Riding With the King*. One of the most anticipated blues releases in years, this dual effort is unfortunately unable to live up to expectations.

B.B. King, a Mississippi native who emigrated to Chicago early in his youth (as we learn from a spoken word segment in the middle of the title track), has long been one of the defining artists in blues music. Since the 1960s, his sig-

nature sound that combines a remarkable and distinctive voice and "pretty little Lucille," his famous guitar, has become almost synonymous with what the blues ought to be. Clapton has his roots in the British blues scene. His *Unplugged* performance is undoubtedly one of the finest blues albums of the '90s.

Unfortunately, Clapton is too mellow for King's bombastic and full sound — the pair simply do not gel well. They seem to trade off verses and lines within songs, rather than trading off lead vocals on songs within the album. On top of their somewhat incompatible styles, the songs sometime seem forced, as if the selections were not their own. Particularly horrible is "Marry You," in which the two men sound nothing more than somewhat confused. The result is an overly produced attempt to create a wildly marketable album.

Riding is not totally without merit. The talent of the two legends is obvious, and when they get a chance to improve on their instruments, a strong suit of both of these spectacular artists, the jams are simply wonderful — controlled and structured. Clearly these are fine examples of the high level of musicianship present in the studio. The pair is particularly outstanding on "Three O' Clock Blues" and "Help the Poor."

As the album goes on, it seems to get stronger, with more quiet songs that lessen the contrast between the two stars' voices and vocal styles.

"Worried Life Blues" and "Come Rain or Come Shine" are perfect examples of how this duo can combine on a solid effort. It is the loud, Chicago-style songs, such as "I Wanna Be" and "Hold On I'm Coming" where King's relative strength overpowers Clapton's smooth mellowness, relegating the Brit to backup.

It may be the case that these men got a little overambitious in their attempt to create a perfect blues album. Perhaps they simply wanted to record an album together for the fun of the thing. What is clear is that this super-clean release is not what the blues are all about, no matter how one slices it.

A fan seeking a first insight into the impressive talents of these two men would probably be better served by picking up some earlier work. Both men have extensive portfolios. As solo artists, these are two of the finest bluesmen of the contemporary era. Together, their styles clash and fail. However, for the student of the blues, there are some definite redeeming qualities. The talent level is high, and when they shine, it is a thing of sheer brilliance.



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In one of the most anticipated blues albums in years, B.B. King and Eric Clapton combine their talents in the disappointing *Riding with the King*.

Riding With The King



B. B. King and Eric Clapton
Reprise Records

Rating



WOMEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Off-campus relies on running game in win against Farley

By CHRIS FEDERICO, JOHN BACSIK and LAUREN CONTI
Sports Writers

Off-Campus remained alive in the playoff hunt with a 14-0 victory against Farley, Sunday.

With a stiff wind stifling both teams' passing games, they were forced to rely on their legs to move the ball on the ground.

Quarterback Jamie Stouffer did the job for Off-Campus, which is 2-0-2 on the season. With the passing game shut down, Stouffer relied on her quick feet to move the ball successfully on quarterback draws and options.

The Finest, who are 1-4 on the season, however, were unable to make the transition to the ground game. Calling very few running plays, they tried to create a passing game that just was not there. Unable to pass in the high winds, Farley was held scoreless.

After an opening possession punt by Farley, Off-Campus started with good field position on Farley's 37-yard line. Off-Campus moved the ball into the red zone.

On fourth down Farley tried a blitz and Stouffer found Molly Ross for the touchdown. A missed conversion set the score at 6-0. It remained 6-0 the remainder of the first half.

Midway through the second half, Farley started on the Off-Campus' 27-yard line after a bad snap on fourth down. On the next play, Farley quarterback Jenny Geraci found her target for a 17-yard gain, setting up first and goal. After three straight incompletions from the 10-yard line, Off-Campus' Anna Benjamin came up with a huge play, batting down a pass to halt the scoring threat.

On the next drive, Off-Campus moved the ball all the way down to Farley's 2-yard line before being stalled,

allowing Farley a final chance to drive.

Unable to gain a first down, however, Farley gave Off-Campus the ball right back at the 18.

Off-Campus drove the nail into Farley's coffin on the next play when Stouffer scored on a 18-yard quarterback draw. With the 2-point conversion, the final score came to 14-0.

After the game, Off-Campus' Stouffer was optimistic about her team's future.

"We think this win will help us get to the playoffs, and that is our main goal right now," she said. "If we keep playing well, we should get in."

Walsh 0, Pasquerilla West 0

Sunday's game between Walsh and Pasquerilla West was a battle of the irresistible force and the immovable object. Neither team was willing to sacrifice its first loss of the year, so each one settled for another tie.

Penalties and turnovers plagued both teams throughout the game, as each team appeared to mirror the other's actions in the first half.

Walsh's first drive looked good, with two runs from freshman Marlana Klinger and a catch by Kay Scanlan. Walsh quarterback Lauren Walsh found Scanlan again 20 yards down the field on the next play, but the catch was called back on a blocking penalty, and the Wild Women were forced to punt.

On their next drive, the Wild Women started things out on the ground, with a first-down run by Lauren Walsh. The

drive was ended by an interception by PW junior, Erin Schulte.

The Purple Weasels came close to cracking the tie towards the end of the first half. Schmidt found Kori Yelle on two attempts, bringing PW past midfield. Schmidt's next pass though was intercepted by Walsh captain Melissa Beiting.

"I think this was our best defensive game of the year," said Beiting. "We made the big plays when we needed to."

The second half was much like the first for both teams, penalties and punts, but no points.

Walsh started things off with runs by Klinger and Kristen Kenny and a long reception by Scanlan. The PW defense took a stand though, stopping the Walsh running game and forcing a punt.

PW used the Schmidt-Yelle connection again in the second half, but Walsh had a more effective tandem. Senior defensive linemen Rebecca Craig and Angela Polsinelli combined for a sack and an interception on PW's first drive of the second half.

Neither team was able to get things going as the second half wound down and the game ended with no score on the board.

Despite the tie, the Purple Weasels were pleased with their play.

"I thought we played well," said PW co-captain Kelly Dries. "Our defense was definitely strong."

McGlinn 0, Breen-Phillips 0

McGlinn and Breen-Phillips hammered each other to a scoreless finish Sunday on McGlinn field.

With only two games remaining in regular season play, the Shamrocks (0-2-2) and the Banshees (1-1-2) are still questioning their chances for a playoff berth.

"It really is kind of a toss up with all the ties," BP captain Jenny Wahoske said. "We'll just try to win the last two [games] because that should assure us a spot."

Play on Sunday was aggressive, although both offenses looked shaky throughout the first half.

McGlinn started the game with the ball, but was unable to make progress and were forced to punt.

"We didn't do much," McGlinn captain Jamie Glasser said. "We had kind of a rocky start."

On their first drive, the Banshees chose to implement a new offensive plan, putting in Tricia Keppel as alternate quarterback.

However, the switching between quarterbacks Katherine McFarland, Keppel and Kelly Landers failed to gather offensive momentum.

"That was brand new for this game," Wahoske said. "Obviously, we didn't score, so it wasn't all that successful. But it may just be that we need some more practice on it. We weren't really ready enough for it to be effective."

"We accomplished what we wanted to do," BP Coach Corey Timlin said. "We wanted to go to secondary receivers, and we had the open people. Our quarterbacks were just nervous."

McGlinn's defense played a role in shutting down BP's new offense.

"Their offense did make mistakes," Glasser said. "But our defense played an outstanding game. It broke up a bunch of

passes and really put the pressure on their quarterback; she was overthrowing the ball."

The Shamrocks started off the second half on sour note. On second and 5, a pass intended for receiver Mary Lenzini was intercepted by Keppel.

Another BP drive deep into McGlinn territory proved fruitless.

"We had the ball like that, inside their 20, four or five times," Timlin said. "We just weren't capitalizing on our chances."

The Shamrocks, for their part, had trouble recovering from the Banshees' near-touchdown. They were unable to get the ball out of their own territory until the final minutes of the game.

McGlinn lost five yards on their next possession, but rallied with an interception on the Banshees' first down. With 25 seconds remaining, however, an intentional grounding penalty set the Shamrocks back 10 yards and forced them to punt.

"We like to play aggressive," said Glasser. "And some of the calls weren't necessarily good calls. They were ill timed and they cost us the game. They stopped our drives dead every time."

The game ended with a Breen-Phillips incomplete at their own 30-yard line.

The now familiar-feeling tie left both teams unsatisfied.

"We'll have to win the last two games, no questions asked, if we want to go on," Glasser said of the Shamrocks' upcoming matches against Off-Campus Tuesday and Badin this Sunday.

"I don't think we can lose again," Timlin said. "But the way our defense is playing, we think if we can just get in [the playoffs] we'll be competitive with anyone else who's there."

The Banshees will play Walsh tonight at Stepan Fields.

"We think this win will help us get to the playoffs, and that is our main goal right now. If we keep playing well, we should get in."

Jamie Stouffer
Off-Campus quarterback

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Football

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said. The starting quarterback will be named later this week. Davie said LoVecchio and Godsey will both play against the Cardinals, while Clark may also see some action.

Godsey may not be receiving the attention reserved for the Irish starter but for now, at least, he will remain behind center.

"He needs to be prepared to go in there and win a football game for us and win the quarterback position again," Davie said. "When it's time for him to do something different or play a different position I'll be the first one to tell him. It's not at that stage yet."

Update on Battle and Irons

Arnaz Battle's return this season looks more unlikely as the year progresses. He is wearing a cast on his broken left wrist and is unable to compete in practice. Davie said the Irish will know nothing for the next few weeks, until the cast is removed.

"The earliest we're even going to be able to start doing anything with him is two weeks from now," Davie said. "I would say it's doubtful right now that he'll be back. And that's how we're approaching this."

Grant Irons, who suffered a

shoulder injury in the Nebraska game, will definitely not come back this season. But that has not stopped the senior captain from attending practices. Several times, Irons has been seen with his gold helmet and No. 44 blue jersey on, encouraging his teammates and offering advice.

"He's sincere about it," Davie said. "He watches every snap; coaches those guys. I'm glad we're going to get him back for another year."

Notes:

◆ The only other player questionable for the Stanford game is fullback Tom Lopienski. Lopienski, who has a shoulder injury, will be replaced by Jason Murray or Mike McNair.

◆ Do you think Davie cringed watching Zak Kustok lead Northwestern to a 37-17 victory over Michigan State on Saturday? The Wildcats' quarterback spent his freshman season at Notre Dame before transferring. Against the Spartans, Kustok completed 12-of-23 passes for 160 yards and two touchdowns and also ran for 42 yards on 10 carries.

"I thought Zak Kustok played well," Davie said on Monday. "There's no secret we thought he was a good player. That's why we recruited him. But bigger than all of that, I'm happy for him. I think he's found a place where he's obviously comfortable and having success."

Tennis

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Bawano and Reven Stephens of Kentucky and 20th-ranked Reiner Nevrorh and Mark Williams of Baylor to even their record at 2-2.

Despite the disappointment of the losses by Taborga and Talarico, the remainder of the Irish doubles lineup stepped up to haul in the victories. Besides the three wins posted by Smith and Haddock-Morales, who now sport a 7-1 record, junior James Malhame and senior Ashok Raju filled in the third doubles position to defeat teams from Kentucky and Baylor to record a 2-0 mark for the weekend.

"We aren't perfect [in doubles]," Bayliss said. "We are still really looking for the right combination in third doubles. We have probably six guys on the team capable of playing third doubles outside of the top two positions. We'll continue to experiment with that."

The top half of the Irish singles lineup fared relatively well on the courts in Kentucky. Talarico, who has been sharing the No. 1 singles position with Smith so far this season, notched wins over Kentucky and Baylor while being defeated in a close match against Mark Riddell of Harvard in a third set tiebreaker.

Smith, who was undefeated going into the weekend competition, defeated Sean Cooper of Fresno State, but yielded three losses to players from Kentucky, Baylor and Harvard to bring his overall singles record to 5-3 on the year.

Both Talarico and Smith staged impressive comebacks to round out victories.

"A couple of the highlights were that Casey Smith was

down a set and 5-2 against Fresno State, and came back and won," Bayliss said. "Aaron Talarico was down 6-1, 5-2 against Kentucky and came back and won."

"We just seem to be winning those close matches. Part of it is, there is a high level of commitment within our team. When everyone buys in good things happen."

Bob Bayliss
Men's tennis head coach

Taborga, who has primarily been playing in the No. 3 singles slot for the Irish, quietly raked up wins in the first two events of this season, and now boasts a 6-2 singles record. Over the weekend, Taborga only gave up a loss to David Mullins of Fresno State. He soundly defeating opponents from Kentucky, Baylor and Harvard.

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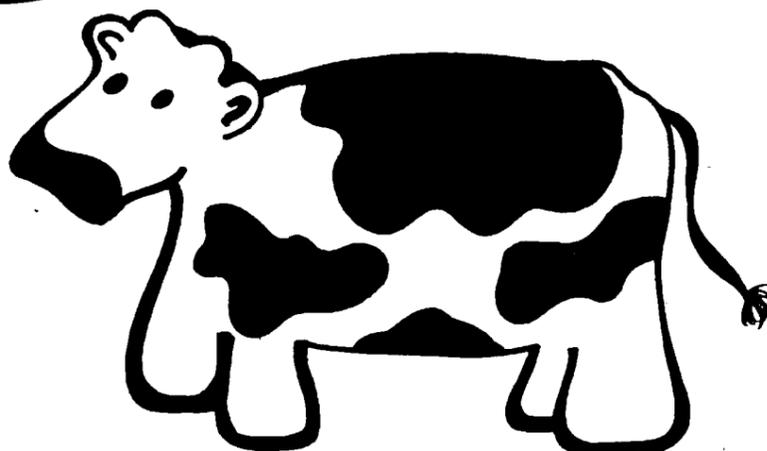
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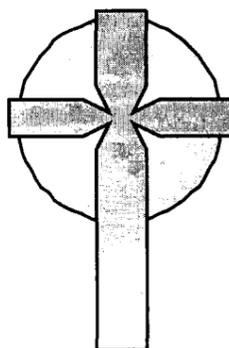


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Dillon's offensive line and senior captain and fullback Jason Visner.

On the first possession for the Big Red, Visner set the tone as he blasted through a hole created by the line for a 35-yard touchdown scamper. Dillon converted for 2 and took an 8-0 lead.

Dillon broke out again in the third quarter. On the first drive of the half, Visner ran 50 yards to daylight, upping the score to 16-0.

After the defense did away with Keough again, Visner had several key runs to set up a touchdown on a quarterback keeper. Dillon missed the kick, and took a 22-0 lead.

To make a serious playoff run, the Kangaroos must improve their overall game, mentally and physically, according to Keough captain Ryan Yorkery.

"We need to do more conditioning and hitting in practice," said Yorkery. "We need to get up for games. Obviously they had the intensity and we didn't. As the captain, I blame myself for that. Everything is there, we just have to come out intense."

Dillon is confident in his abilities and seems to have everything in place to make a serious run at a title. Its running game and defense controlled the tempo of the entire game.

"We're primarily a running team; that's our style," Visner said. "Our line controlled the line of scrimmage, and that's how we won the game."

Keenan 13, Alumni 0

Behind the play calling of newly recruited offensive coordinator Clay Remley, the Keenan Knights outlasted the mighty "Doggy D" of Alumni for a 13-0 victory.

Remley, who was recruited last week from the women's interhall football league as an offensive coordinator, seemed to call all the right plays as the Knights scored twice against an Alumni defense that had not given up a regular season point since 1998.

The Knights offense was led by superior play from the

offensive line. The push from the line allowed Keenan's trio of running backs to move the ball down the field.

Brian Kunitzer led the rushing attack, and quarterback Billy Ellsworth rushed for a touchdown behind an outstanding push on fourth and goal from the 1-yard line.

"We said at the beginning that our offensive line was the key," captain Herb Giorgio said. "They won the game for us today."

Keenan began the scoring in the first half on a 47-yard pass to wide receiver John Russy. The extra point gave the Knights a 7-0 lead. They added another score later in the game on the Ellsworth run for a 13-0 advantage. The defense held on from there.

The Alumni offense was hurt all day by turnovers and mental mistakes. Every time the offense was about to break a big play, a turnover would end the momentum.

"We made too many mistakes to overcome," cornerback TJ Strachota said.

Tailback Alex Roodhouse added, "We weren't clicking today. Some plays were working and some were not. If we want to be successful in the future, we all have to get on the same page."

Aside from the turnovers, the Alumni offense was stopped by a tough Keenan defense. Steady play from the entire defense allowed the offense to have the chance to win the game.

"It was a total team win. We finally played [well] for four quarters," Giorgio said.

Despite the loss, the Dawgs still have a lot to look forward to. They know that they are a solid team, and that there is still more football to be played.

"We should be ready to straighten things out and make a run in the playoffs," said Strachota. "We are not done yet."

The Knights victory left both teams in the thick of the playoff chase. Both teams now stand at 2-1, and if the season were to end today both would be in the playoffs. However, each team may have to win their last game in order to clinch a playoff spot. Alumni faces off against Keough next week, and the Knights will play O'Neil.

WOMEN'S GOLF

Freshmen lead Irish in tournament

By MATT CASSADY
Sports Writer

Three freshman women golfers, under the leadership of Shane Smith, helped the Irish in a tough Midwest tournament this weekend.

The Lady Northern Invitational saw the Irish women's golf team finish 13th out of an 18-team field which head coach Ross Smith called "probably the strongest Midwest field of any tournament we play."

Six of the seven Irish competitors this weekend were underclassmen, including freshmen Shannon Byrne (84-78-78/240), Rebecca Rogers (83-80-80/243) and Jeanne Murphy (86-86-

77/249), who placed 51st, 64th and 80th respectively. Still, it was senior Shane Smith who once again paced the Irish by carding a 77-83-76/236 to finish 37th.

"All three of our freshmen contributed quite nicely," said Ross Smith. "[But] Shane Smith, our senior, continues to lead us and play pretty darn [well]."

Coach Smith was pleased by the 311 his team shot in the final round of the Lady Northern, the lowest round the Irish have turned in this season. He is aiming for his team to turn in consistently low scores.

"311 is where we need to be on a regular basis," he said. "We need to be able to turn it down and get [the team score]

down around 300-305 to be more competitive with some of these other teams."

In order to do that the Irish women must improve their short game.

"Chipping and putting seems to be our weakness right now," coach Smith said. "Our golf swings are pretty sound, it is just the fact that when we do hit a bad shot and miss a green [we need to] be able to get it up and down."

The next opportunity for improvement will come in two weeks at the Warren Golf Course in the Notre Dame Invitational. The invitational is the first tournament hosted by Notre Dame in two years, and the first collegiate women's tournament at the new Warren Golf Course.

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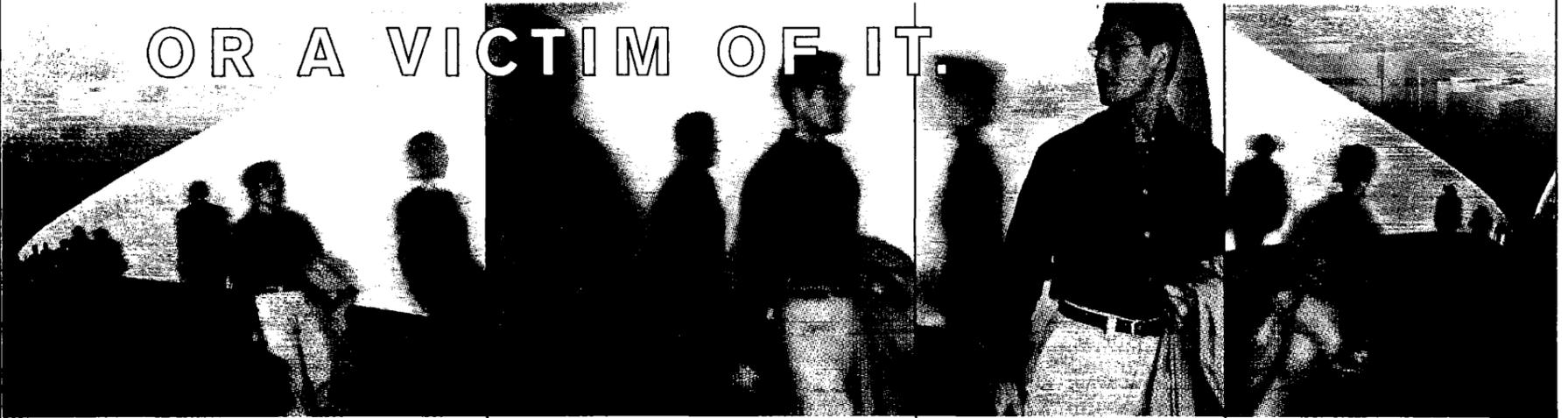
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WOMEN'S INTERHALL BLUE LEAGUE

Pyros put a stop to Pangborn, fall victim to Lyons

By MATT CASSADY, SUSIE CARPENTER and JEFF BALTRUZAK
Sports Writer

The Pasquerilla East Pyros overmatched the Pangborn Phoxes using a balanced attack of running and passing to defeat the Phoxes 12-0 Sunday.

Led by sophomore quarterback Lindsay Terifay, the Phoxes put the first points on the board late in the first half. After a Pangborn punt was hampered by a strong wind, PE started at the Pangborn 30-yard line. PE wasted no time moving the ball down the field, first on the ground then through the air.

Terifay first ran an option right for the first down, then immediately followed it up with a 15-yard touchdown pass to senior Stacey Leicht on first down. The failed 1-point conversion left PE in the lead 6-0.

"We've been working hard to get the timing better on our passing," said Leicht. "It worked well today."

Pangborn started the ensuing possession just inside its own 20, but could not move the ball and punted on fourth down. Again, the punt was high, into the wind and consequently short, giving the Pyros field position deep in Pangborn territory. PE's offense finally appeared stymied by the Pangborn defense as it faced fourth and long just outside the Pangborn 30.

However, the combination of Terifay to Leicht spelled trouble for the Phoxes. Leicht pulled in the Terifay pass and scampered to the 10-yard line of Pangborn for the drive-saving first down. On the next play Terifay went back to the air and found sophomore Judy Moran for the 10-yard touchdown. Another failed conversion left the Pyros on top 12-0.

The halftime strategy of PE coach Clay Remley centered upon the wind which had been in Pyros' favor for the game's first half, but which would be in their face for the second. He told his team that the running game, primarily the option,

would become more important in the second half. If passing was necessary, "short 7-yard patterns" would be the key.

Apparently, that strategy worked. PE was able to control the ball on the ground with Terifay and senior running back Ellen Mills. Although they controlled the ball, the Pyros were not able to advance it into the Pangborn end zone.

Pangborn did not fare any better and the defenses played to a stalemate in the second half.

"It was a good win," said Mills. "[But] we need to keep getting better."

Lyons 6, Pasquerilla East 0

After a disappointing start to their season, Lyons Hall came away with its first win on Thursday night with a 6-0 victory against Pasquerilla East.

Lyons entered the game determined to turn its luck around.

"We were producing well, making the plays and executing well," Lyons captain Lisa Thomas said. "We were finally clicking."

Lyons' players Alison Shenk, Roxy Trevino and Lisa Thomas each had interceptions against the Pyros.

In a change of strategy, Shenk, Trevino and Thomas played both ways. The move was just the right spark for the defense as it shut down PE.

On offense, Lyons' quarterback Sarah Jenkins connected with Shenk for a 40-yard reception for the only touchdown of the game. Despite the loss, Lindsay Terifay, captain of Pasquerilla East, credits her team's strong defense for holding Lyons.

"Our defense played well, only allowing one touchdown," she said.

PE seemed to struggle throughout the game, unable to score points and make plays. Terifay is optimistic despite their lackluster performance.

"[Tonight] mentally got us back in track," she said.

She is already looking ahead to Sunday's match-up against Cavanaugh.

"It is going to be a good

game," she said.

With newly found confidence, the Lyons football team is enthusiastic for the rest of the season.

"We have a positive outlook," Thomas said.

Welsh 19, Cavanaugh 2

The Welsh Whirlwinds blew into McGlenn field Sunday with a vengeance, capitalizing on Cavanaugh mistakes and dominating the Chaos 19-2.

The Welsh defense stood together when it counted, stopping two Cavanaugh drives in the shadow of their own goal line, while giving great field position to the offense by forcing four turnovers.

"Everybody played a great game," Vanessa Lichon said. "The defensive line forced their quarterback into a couple of passes she probably didn't want to throw."

For Chaos quarterback Lynn Olszowy, it was a long hour. On almost every play the signal caller was forced to roll out resulting in inconsistent connections with her receivers.

"They had a really good pass defense," Olszowy said.

Lichon started on both sides of the ball, intercepting three passes and making a leaping touchdown reception.

Olszowy rolled left and fire a pass over the middle intended for Chaos receiver Melissa Marcotte. Lichon intercepted the pass, and took off down the sideline. It was the first of three interceptions she would have during the game.

"I just played it by what they were running," Lichon said. "She put it up and I just came down with it."

This turnover set up Katie Rak and the Welsh offense. After several ineffective running plays, Rak found Lichon in the end zone to put Welsh up 6-0.

Cavanaugh finally found a spark after a 30-yard reception by Marcotte, and a long run by Olszowy set up a fourth and one situation on the Welsh goal line. Olszowy's pass on the next play was tipped, however, and the Chaos offense left the field empty-handed.

"We were close," Olszowy said. "It just came down to the fact that we didn't execute when

there was the potential to score."

"It was a team effort, everybody played so well the entire game," said Lichon.

The Whirlwinds scored their second touchdown early in the second half, after a Lichon interception.

After a rare roughing the passer penalty on the Chaos, Rak flipped the ball out to wingback Jen Grubb. Grubb, forced to scramble, finally lofted the ball into the back of the end zone. Rak, who was open in the end zone, caught the ball.

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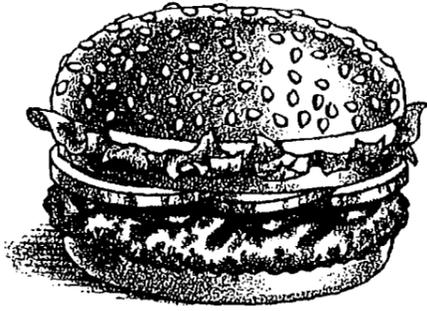
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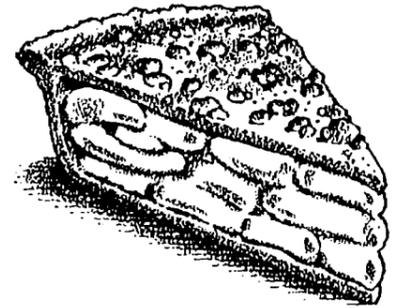
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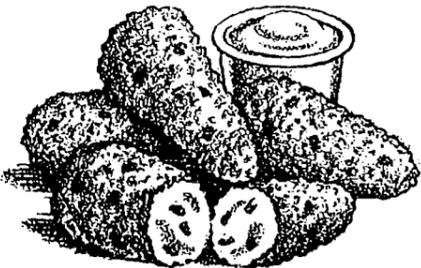
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MEN'S GOLF

Irish keep up low numbers

By MATT CASSADY
Sports Writer

The numbers just kept going down for the Irish this weekend.

The Notre Dame men's golf team rallied from an opening round 311 and a second round 301 to card a final round 296 and finish 15th in the Northern Intercollegiate tournament in Champaign, Ill. The 296 scored by the Irish was the second best final round in the 18-team field.

Once again, junior captain Steve Ratay led the team by finishing eighth. This marked the sixth time in the last 13 outings that Ratay has finished in the top 10. Ratay scored a 71 in the second round for the fifth best round of the tournament. There were three rounds of 70, a 69 and a 68.

"I didn't play my best," Ratay said. "But if you can not play your best and still finish in the top 10 that's pretty good because you're not gonna win them all. If I am playing well I am trying to win. If I am not, I just try to shoot as low a score as I can for my team."

Freshman Gavin Ferlic was a pleasant surprise for the team, scoring for the team by shooting a 77 in the second round and a 76 in the third round.

"He is a pretty good player," Ratay said. "He is a scrambler. He always seems to come up with a good score, so I wasn't that surprised [to see his score count for the team.]"

The team finishes its fall season Oct. 16 and 17 in Franklin, Ind. at the Legends of Indiana Intercollegiate tournament.

MEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame looks to end losing streak

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Assistant Sports Editor

The Notre Dame men's soccer team looks to end its three-game losing streak as the Irish host the struggling Northwestern Wildcats tonight at 7 p.m. at Alumni Field.

The Irish have dropped their last three games — all home losses at the hands of Big East opponents — by one goal. After failing to put the ball in the net against Seton Hall and Connecticut, the Irish were able to score twice against Pittsburgh in the Panther's 3-2 win Friday night.

Sophomore Erich Braun, who was last season's leading scorer, scored his first goal, followed soon after by teammate Griffin Howard's fourth of the season. Braun, who has been fighting a hamstring injury all season, was happy to finally put the ball in the net, but disappointed in the loss.

"It felt great," said Braun. "But I'd actually rather we had won the game than me scoring."

Howard's goal put the Irish up 2-1 before a Panther comeback squashed the Irish hopes of ending their losing streak. With three penalty kicks converted along with Friday night's goal, the senior is suddenly the team's leading scorer.

"While I'm excited to be contributing, I know that I'm not really a goal-scorer," said Howard. "It's just the way our season's gone so far."

The Wildcats enter the game winless so far this season, having lost all eight games they have played. Seniors Brandon Swalve and Jun Kim lead the team with two goals apiece.

Northwestern played its last game on Sunday, dropping to 0-2 in the Big Ten with a 6-2 home loss to Michigan State.

The Wildcats were able to put only eight shots on goal, while



Griffin Howard, shown above, looks to move past Pittsburgh defender as the Irish fell to the Panthers 3-2 in Friday's game.

ELIZABETH LANG/The Observer

allowing the Spartans 25.

The Irish will be looking to get improved play from their flank players. The Irish started Howard and junior flanker Matt Rosso against Pittsburgh. Rosso provided immediate dividends, creating many drives and scor-

ing opportunities.

"Matt Rosso had a very good game. It was a bright spot," said Irish head coach Chris Apple. "He played on the flank. We need to get more production out of our flank players."

Despite being winless since

Sept. 19, Braun feels confident that a win today will start the Irish off on a winning streak.

"I think we're gonna win [Tuesday]," said Braun. "Score a couple of goals, get our confidence back and then start winning in the Big East."



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MEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Knott defense dominates Siegfried in 20-0 victory

By COLIN BOYLAN, KATIE DEMENT and NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Writers and Assistant Sports Editor

If there was any doubt about which interhall football team boasts the strongest defense in the league, Knott cleared up that confusion with a dominating 20-0 victory over Siegfried on Sunday.

Simply put, the Knott defense overwhelmed Siegfried, forcing four turnovers and containing the Ramblers' strong running game. This contest marked the third consecutive week that the Jugg defense held its opponent scoreless on offense.

Knott opened the game on a strong note, marching 65 yards for a score on its first drive. The drive was capped by a touchdown pass from quarterback Mario Suarez to receiver Brian Pawlawski. Then the Knott defense took over.

Utilizing a variety of pass protection and blitzing schemes, the Juggs forced turnovers on all three of Siegfried's ensuing possessions. The offense was able to convert two of these gifts into touchdowns on passes from Suarez to Pawlawski and Jon Smith respectively.

By halftime, Knott had built up a 20-point lead that would never be challenged.

For Siegfried, running back Travis Smith turned in a solid effort, breaking tackles and gaining positive yardage on almost every carry. But the Ramblers could never seem to convert on crucial third downs. Siegfried quarterback Rob Plumby was hurried almost every pass play and made a number of questionable throws into a swarming Knott defense.

When cornerback Brian Schmutzler picked off a Plumby pass in the fourth quarter, he killed any chance for a Rambler comeback.

"We've got a massive defensive linemen and can play a lot of different coverages, so that makes it tough on opposing offenses," Schmutzler said.

Knott's only outstanding flaw

was its inability to convert on fourth downs.

The Juggs went for it on four fourth down plays, coming up 0-4.

"We just have so much confidence in both our offense and defense," Suarez said. "That we didn't feel that we were taking a big risk at all."

Fisher 6, Sorin 6

The Fisher Waves and the Sorin Otters played to a draw this Sunday, giving both teams a 1-0-1 record. The game ended with a 6-6 tie, and may lead to a rematch in the playoffs.

Sorin Otters started the scoring with a touchdown off an interception by quarterback Greg Carney.

The first half continued in Sorin's favor with an illegal procedure call on the Waves. However, the Otters had a missed a decisive touchdown opportunity when Carney failed to catch a pass.

In the second half Fisher took control as Zach Allen returned a punt for a touchdown to tie the game.

"We were disappointed in giving up the returned punt for the Fisher touchdown," Sorin captain Mike Crowe said.

Both teams focused on the passing game as their major form of offense, but neither felt that they played to potential.

"We lacked intensity," Fisher captain Brian Zant said.

Although not overly pleased with their offense, both captains were proud of their defense.

The Waves hope defense can take them to a victory next week.

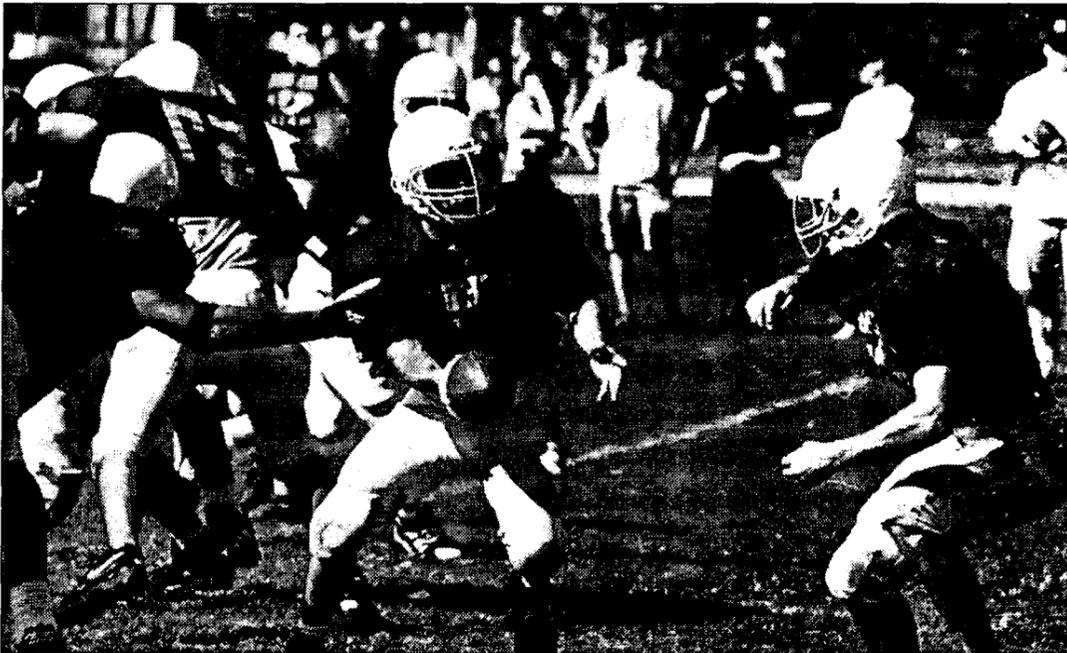
"We are just going to take it one game at a time and see how things go against St. Ed's next week," Zant said.

Crowe does not think this will be the last time the Waves and Otters will play each other.

"We might see them again soon," he said.

Zahm vs. Carroll forfeit

During the final moments of most interhall football games,



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The Fisher quarterback hands off the ball during the 6-6 draw with the Sorin Otters during week three of interhall play.

one can see the teams competing in the next game anxiously warming up on the sideline. This was not the case on Sunday as the Fisher-Sorin game was ending on the south end of Stepen Field. Instead, the Vermin of Carroll sat quietly in jerseys and jeans, forced to forfeit the game to Zahm because of a lack of eligible players.

"On Sunday there were people on retreats and people that were injured," Carroll cornerback Pat Laboe said. "We did not exactly know about it and so come game time when we were getting ready to go to the game we had less people than

we expected."

A dozen players arrived, but rules stipulate that 12 players cannot constitute a team.

"We'd have had too many players playing both ways and getting tired," said LaBoe. "There was too much chance for injury."

The forfeit was a step backwards for the Vermin, who carried a lead into halftime in their previous game against defending-champion Knott. The dorm — which hadn't fielded a team since 1997 — dropped its record to 0-3.

For the Rabid Bats of Zahm, the game improved the team's overall record to 2-1. However,

because the forfeit goes into the books as a 7-0 win, the team could face trouble in playoff seedings as teams with identical records are seeded on the basis of points scored.

Zahm players were less concerned about the playoff implications of the win, and more concerned about losing a chance to play.

"We were disappointed. We were ready to play," Zahm captain Brian Zant said. "Just getting the practice in — the hitting — would have been helpful. [The weekend off] will get our guys nice and rested for next week's game against Siegfried."

BAYER LECTURE SERIES

Ronald Fuchs

Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer
Bayer CorporationDiversity
and the
Environment

The hottest topics of the day concerning the effects of chemicals on human health and the environment invariably lead stakeholders to take positions that are diverse, to say the least. Yet the sharp diversity associated with clashing opinions is the very medium in which common approaches are being found toward meaningful resolution of highly contentious environmental issues. In fact, Ron Fuchs describes in a short tour of relevant cases, this brand of diversity may become a model for collaboration on future environmental solutions.

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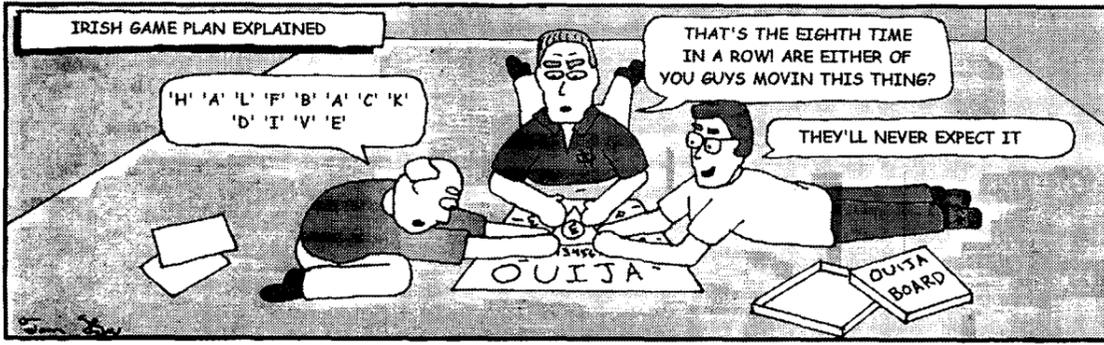
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The JPW Executive Committee is looking for talented musicians, such as piano, violin, flute, and guitar players (other instruments also welcome) to perform on February 18, 2001.

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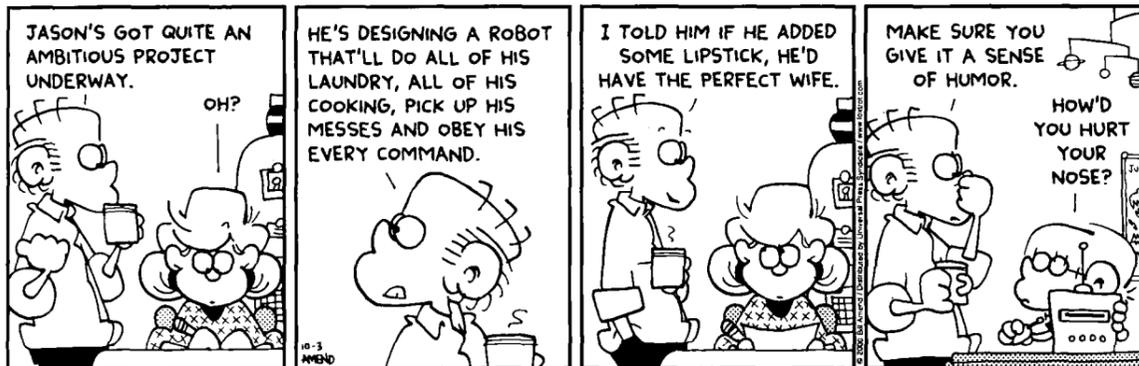
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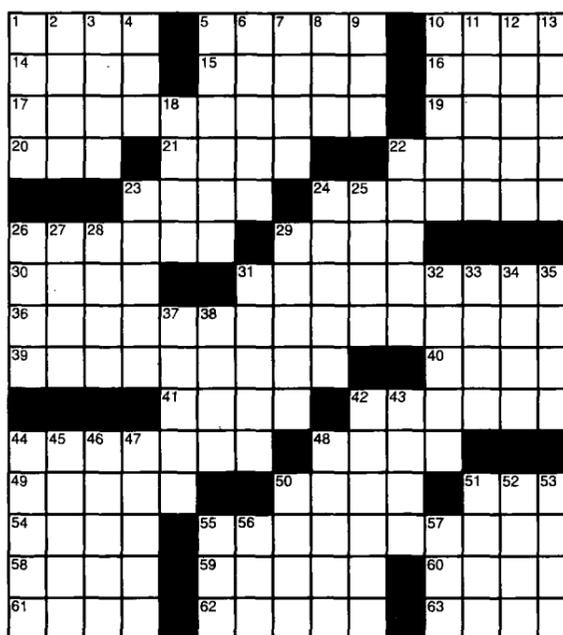
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BILL AMEND



CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 "You missed a ___!"
 - 5 Hiho hello
 - 10 Summer place
 - 14 Heather Headley title role on Broadway
 - 15 Lions' locks
 - 16 Concluded
 - 17 2000 runner
 - 19 Alternative to hot pants
 - 20 Go astray
 - 21 They're on tap in taprooms
 - 22 Coats with gold
 - 23 Stir up
 - 24 Humor that's not funny
 - 26 Classic Chevy
 - 29 Broadway aunt
 - 30 ___ dog (backwoods animal)
- DOWN**
- 31 Game for the asocial
 - 36 What 55-Across is to 17-Across
 - 39 Topped, in a way
 - 40 Reply to the Little Red Hen
 - 41 "Off with you!"
 - 42 Frank
 - 44 Part of a freight train
 - 48 ___ on (orders to attack)
 - 49 Ill-gotten gains
 - 50 Prego competitor
 - 51 Part of a litter
 - 54 Sparkling wine center
 - 55 See 36-Across
 - 58 Rung
 - 59 Restaurateur of song
 - 60 Brezhnev's land
 - 61 Famous alter ego
 - 62 Got smart, with "up"
 - 63 Ravioli filler



Puzzle by Ed Early

- 33 Monopoly token
- 34 5¢/gallon, e.g.
- 35 Head of state in Kuwait
- 37 Vestige
- 38 Where Red Delicious apples originated
- 42 Like a London jurist
- 43 Some hosp. rooms
- 44 Jiffy
- 45 Robust
- 46 Functioned
- 47 Rubbish
- 48 50-Across, e.g.
- 50 McGwire stats
- 51 Sit for a photograph
- 52 ___ Minor
- 53 Overly familiar, maybe
- 55 Hee's follower
- 56 Whitney of gin fame
- 57 Ruin, with "up"

Answers to any three clues in this puzzle are available by touch-tone phone: 1-900-420-5656 (95¢ per minute). Annual subscriptions are available for the best of Sunday crosswords from the last 50 years: 1-888-7-ACROSS.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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 ARAL VINEBOWER
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2000

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Dave Winfield, Stevie Ray Vaughan, Lindsey Buckingham, Gore Vidal, Chubby Checker, Tommy Lee, Lorraine Bracco

Happy Birthday: You have plenty of energy, but that doesn't mean you should take on everything that comes your way. If you really want to do your best, focus on what is truly important. If you set your priorities and follow your instincts, you will do just fine. If you spread yourself too thin, you will fall short of your goals. Your numbers: 18, 26, 30, 39, 41, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get out as much as possible. You need people around who will help boost your ego. Seminars will bring information and open doors to interesting new connections. ☼☼☼

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Changing your job may mean making a residential move. Your financial situation is looking brighter. Consult with family members before making a final decision. ☼☼

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Educational courses may turn into more of a social connection. Your new friends will introduce you to someone very special. ☼☼

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Get down to brass tacks. You need to put your time, effort and energy into your professional direction. Take work home if you feel it will help you advance. ☼☼☼

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You will have a real yen to party. Don't forget about your mate because you are having too much fun on your own. You may owe your partner an apology. Your need to be in the limelight

may cause friction with the one you truly love. ☼☼☼

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't let your emotions get the better of you. Your partner may blow situations out of proportion today. Try not to let your financial worries get you down. Keep your thoughts to yourself. ☼☼

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Getting together with friends and meeting new people will bring the mental stimulation you require. Travel will be beneficial and will open your eyes to new ideas. ☼☼☼

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your temper will be tested. Financial concerns may cause anxiety. You may want to put your family on a stricter budget. Use your energy to help children achieve their goals. ☼☼

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You mustn't make decisions that will have lasting effects. Don't get involved in ambiguous investments or wagers. Remember your family obligations. ☼☼☼

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Involvement in secretive affairs will affect your reputation and cause emotional upset. Family members will misinterpret you, and discord could lead to estrangement. ☼☼

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Spend time with individuals who can give you information. You will need to get away to gain perspective. You can make good decisions regarding your direction. ☼☼☼

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Clear your decks. You need to recycle, renew and redo. Look at your options. You may need to sit down and discuss your personal life with your mate. Changes are in order. ☼☼

Birthday Baby: You have a strong set of values and will do whatever is necessary to protect your beliefs. You are brave, just and willing to help others. You will fight for a cause and always stand up for your rights. (Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

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MEN'S INTERHALL BLUE LEAGUE

O'Neill scores first offensive touchdown, loses

By TODD NIETO, MATT HARRIGAN and JAMES VERALDI
Sports Writers

Both the Stanford Griffins and the O'Neill Angry Mob were looking for their first win of the season Sunday. Although O'Neill put forth a gallant effort, the Stanford offense proved to be too much for the Angry Mob to handle and came away with an 18-6 win.

By the end of the first half, the Griffins were leading 6-0. Runningback Mike Profeta scored Stanford's touchdown and ended a long Griffin drive. The Angry Mob answered back when they blocked the Griffins' extra point attempt.

In the second half of the game, Stanford once again came out on top as they dominated O'Neill with its strong offense. Early in the third quarter, Profeta scored another touchdown for the Griffins. Stanford was halted by the O'Neill defense when it attempted a 2-point conversion.

In the fourth quarter, it appeared as if the Angry Mob was on the move when it completed several passes. However, Tony Hallowell recovered an O'Neill fumble and ran it back for a touchdown.

Late in the fourth quarter, O'Neill's Alex Jackson scored the Angry Mob's first touchdown of the season and their first offensive touchdown in history. The touchdown came

too late, however.

"As a team, we came together at the end of the game," O'Neill captain Phil Irvine said. "This is a stepping stone for us and we will continue to improve."

Dillon 22, Keough 0

In a match-up between two great defensive teams, the Dillon Big Red smashed the Keough Kangaroos 22-0 Sunday afternoon.

Both teams came into the game having not given up a single point on the season.

Dillon has outscored its opponents 52-0 in three games so far this year, and Sunday it showed everyone just how the Big Red has done it.

The Big Red's defense completely shut down the Keough offense, rarely giving up first downs, let alone sustained drives.

Dillon's defensive line sealed up the middle and kept constant pressure on Keough's quarterback, while the linebackers and defensive backs thwarted any attempts by the Kangaroos to run to the outside. At one point, the Dillon defense even registered back-to-back sacks on the over-matched Kangaroo offense.

The only bright spot of the game for Keough was that it kept the Dillon passing game under wraps for the most part, saving a couple of 2-point conversions. However, that bright spot was overshadowed by the dominant performance of

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ELIZABETH LANG/The Observer

Billy Ellsworth, Keenan's signal caller, falls back for a pass in the Knights' defeat of the Dawgs 13-0.

FOOTBALL

Irish focus moves from Godsey to LoVecchio

By TIM CASEY
Assistant Sports Editor

Less than 20 days after reporters gathered around Gary Godsey, asking him any question imaginable, after "In Godsey We Trust" T-shirts were plentiful around campus, and after the 6-foot-7 inch quarterback led the Irish to a last-



Godsey

second victory over Purdue, he walked silently away from practice yesterday.

The media's new favorite subject is Matt LoVecchio, the 6-foot-2 inch freshman signal caller from New Jersey. All three local television sports personalities and several newspaper beat writers surrounded LoVecchio after Monday's two-hour practice.

How times have changed. Though coach Bob Davie has made no official statement on who will start against Stanford, all public indications point towards LoVecchio being at the helm.

On numerous occasions since

the Michigan State game, Davie has alluded to the offense's lack of production this season and the need to diversify a stagnant scheme. The Irish rank second-to-last in the nation in passing offense (98.5 yards per game) and 106th out of 114 Division 1-A teams in total offense (249.5 yards per game).

"We don't feel that we can really continue to go down the path we went down those two weeks [against Purdue and Michigan State]," Davie said last week.

The 18-year old LoVecchio may be one of the answers for the Irish's new plan. Despite

not running much option in high school, LoVecchio is a more mobile quarterback than Godsey. Also, according to Davie, he has grasped the offense better than Jared Clark and Carlyle Holiday, the other two freshman quarterbacks.

On Monday, LoVecchio addressed the questioners with some typical cliché responses, that he's "going to take it day by day" and that the quarterbacks "all have to step it up a notch."

"We're going to work as hard as we can to contribute to this football team," LoVecchio

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish look to keep up habits

By RACHEL BIBER
Sports Writer

Breaking bad habits isn't something the Irish men's tennis team is worried about this season, because the only routine it has established so far is piling the wins in the record books.

After winning 42 of 59 matches in last weekend's Tom Fallon Invitational, the Irish proved that their performance was not a fluke by posting a total of 26 singles and doubles wins out of 36 matches against Kentucky, Baylor, Harvard and Fresno State during the three-day Charles Fluitt Collegiate Classic in Lexington, Ky. this weekend.

"The difference in a year ago and right now is that we are finding a way to win," Notre Dame head coach Bob Bayliss said. "I'm really excited about the effort level we are getting."

Two Irish players boast spotless singles records on the season after adding four wins during the event. Starting the year with extraordinary style, both freshman Luis Haddock-Morales and junior Andrew Laffin stand at 8-0. Included in Haddock-Morales' wins is an impressive defeat over 68th-ranked Mark Williams of Baylor 6-4, 7-6 (10-8), an opponent that his teammate Javier Taborga had upended the week before.

Haddock-Morales also proved he has the necessary mental toughness to compete by pulling two three-set wins out of the four matches he played during the weekend by fighting back to defeat opponents from Harvard and Fresno State.

The only blemish on Haddock-Morales' overall singles and doubles record came when he teamed up with Casey Smith and was defeated in doubles by Fresno State. Haddock-Morales and Smith have seemed to mesh well this season, racking up seven wins in the process.

One Irish duo that did not land as much success during the weekend's competition was the ninth-ranked doubles team of juniors Taborga and Aaron Talarico. The pairing entered the tournament with a 2-0 mark, but was upset by Edo

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