

HIGH 51° LOW 35° St. Edward's rector takes time off

After an abrupt hospitalization, Father David Scheidler takes a leave of absence to recover from a bleeding ulcer.

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SMC mourns loss of alumna

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
News Writer

When Kate McCloughan-Krzyzak received two new lungs last October, she got a second chance at life.

The transplant was supposed to be a last-chance treatment to ease her struggles with cystic fibrosis, a hereditary disorder that affects the respiratory and digestive systems.

It was the only chance that McCloughan-Krzyzak, a member of Saint Mary's Class of 2001, had to realize her dreams of attending graduate school and continue the life she had begun with her husband, Jim, just one year earlier.

Friday, her second chance ran out, when McCloughan-Krzyzak lost her battle with the disease as her body rejected the transplant. She was 26.

The friends and family she leaves behind her will remember her as a woman who was determined, spirited, and who never, ever gave up.

"I feel like the lungs she got were not up to the quality of Kate," said Saint Mary's professor Catherine Pittman, who taught her in several psychology classes. "They didn't fight as hard as she fought."

Kate battled cystic fibrosis from child-hood, and became accustomed to frequent hospital visits to clear her lungs from the thick mucous that clogged them. Medication IVs and oxygen tanks were normal parts of her life.

But Kate was the type of person who

didn't want to be different from everyone else.

At Saint Mary's, she was the student who sat in her psychology classes eating saltine crackers and drinking Mountain Dew, told stories about her dog, Meko, loved a good intellectual argument and spoke her mind.

And at first glance, her classmates didn't know there was anything different about her.

"She just wanted to be a typical student and to live a typical life even though it was anything but typical," Pittman said.

"She was one of those that didn't want anyone to know she was different," said friend and psychology major Shelly Houser. "She had this disease, but she was ready to conquer the world."

She came to Saint Mary's in her sophomore year, after moving away from home to go to Franklin College. After falling ill at school, doctors recommended she undergo a lung transplant operation, a procedure that is supposed to give cystic fibrosis patients another five years of life.

But she didn't need it. After her mother nursed her back to health, she decided to try attending Saint Mary's, a college closer to her home in Granger.

While occasional hospitalization forced her to miss classes, take time off or make adjustments to her class schedule, she never wanted an exception to be made for her — and was determined to be a normal student.

"She had this great excuse of this severe, life-threatening illness, but she



Photo courtesy of Cystic-L website

Kate McCloughan-Krzyzak with her beloved dog Meko. Kate, a Saint Mary's alumna, passed away Friday from complications from an October lung transplant.

never used it," said Katie Sullivan, Kate's mentor in the LONI program. "I never heard her whine or complain, ever."

A psychology major with a biology

minor, she insisted on turning papers in on time and taking tests the day they

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SMC exhibit explores artificial mediums

By KATIE RAND News Writer

A new exhibit at the Moreau Center Art Gallery, entitled "Organic Forms and Synthetic Materials" showcases works by six unique artists: John Arndt, Aaron Baker, Yvette Kaiser-Smith, Lauren Lobdell, Suzannah Paul and Mary Temple. The work of the artists "has evolved out of [our] mutual fascination with artificial materials and surfaces coupled with an admiration for innovative form and spatial exploration," according to Temple.

Temple, a New York artist, has multiple pieces in the gallery, each with its own distinct characteristics. The colors, sizes and textures of each are completely different, but they were all made in the same way.

Each one is made of pieces of dried paint applied directly to the wall. Temple explained this interesting technique.

"I was in the studio attaching pieces of paint to canvas, boards etc. At some point, I was looking around the studio and saw the pieces of paint hung up on the wall to dry," Temple said. "The whole room then became my canvas; it opened up so many interesting possibilities."

According to Temple, one of the neatest aspects of these pieces is the "paintings" they form on the wall.

The light pouring through the openings in the paint shadows are made on the background surface contributes to the intricacy of the work.

"The light and shadows are as important as the pig-



NICOLE HADDAD/The Observer

Observers look at one of the pieces on exhibit as part of the Moreau Center for the Arts "Organic Forms and Synthetic Materials" exhibition. The six- artist exhibit runs through March 8.

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INSIDE COLUMN

I survived 21

I always look forward to starting the spring semester. Long lines at the bookstore, reintroducing my body to dining hall food and most importantly, my birthday. Lucky for me, my

birthday always falls on the first weekend after the first week of classes. The weekend notorious for containing some of the best parties, including the infamous Hagerfest. This year was no different except for one minor detail: I was turning 21.



Kelly Hager
Copy Editor

Turning 21 on Sunday, no buying alcohol on Sunday in Indiana – what's a girl to do? I took it as a hint that God didn't want me getting

wasted. So, I opted to keep the partying to a minimum on the Sabbath. This was the plan until someone mentioned that I would legally be able to enter the bar at midnight on Saturday. At that moment, the plans changed.

First to the movies, and then to Coach's. I removed my license from the plastic casing and displayed it proudly to the police officer who wished me happy birthday as I ran by him to join the friends that had accumulated to welcome me. These friends, who I later found out, were there to catch a glimpse of an first time intoxicated Kelly Hager.

Electric Lemonade, Sex on the Beach – the chick drinks and I got along well. I pranced around in my borrowed gogo boots, glitter top and princess crown. I danced with my friends and beat them all in pool. I even managed to gain the affections of a group of townies from a distance, and at the same time was very thankful for my male friend's sheer brut appearances. Last call came, and I enjoyed a Corona. I remember the lemon, I remember kissing each of my friends goodbye and thanking them for coming.

I enjoyed coherent conversation with my friend who walked me to the dorm door in true gentleman form. I called my dad. I remember hearing the relief in his voice as he told me he loved me.

I grabbed the remote to turn the TV on as I hopped into my bed. I closed my eyes, to remember the activity of the evening. I sat up to go to the bathroom, and it happened: The ground started to spin. I closed my eyes and prayed it away. I reopened my eyes, it was still there. So, I did what any logical first time semi-intoxicated person did – I got nervous. What was this feeling, and more importantly, was I going to puke? Not to mention, I still had to brave the journey to the bathroom. But that didn't matter anymore. Someone once told me that counting, sobers one up quickly, and I began to sing the alphabet. After the first couple letters, I was out cold.

From 5 a.m. to 10 a.m., I slept soundly – minus the four times I got up to use the restroom. Sunday morning came, I had survived the first 10 hours of being 21.

Evening came and following tradition, my friends and I went to Fridays. While I was busy peeking at the drink menu with intent to buy, the waiter came and took our orders. My friends chanted my order in unison, "blackened cajun chicken sandwich with a side of avocado." We had been there together so much my habits had been recognized. After the balloons and dinner, I got the sundae slammed in my face. My friends took embarrassing pictures. Somethings will never change.

Some people would say that I didn't have a good 21st birthday because I didn't stagger back to my room drunk as a skunk. I disagree. From getting scoped out by a townie to squirting Corona all over myself, I had a great birthday and I can honestly say I remember every bit of it. More importantly, I learned my limit.

This week, recuperation.

Next week, Heartland. Next year, blackened cajun chicken with a side order of avocado. The tradition continues.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday

- ◆ Auditions: Junior Parent
- Weekend Mass reader auditions,
- 4 p.m., Basilica
- ◆ Lecture: Barbri Bar Review Video

Lectures, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m,

McKenna Hall

Tuesday

- ◆ Event: Senior/Freshman Night, 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., Alumni Senior Bar
- ◆ Exhibit: "Masks and Fidgures,
 Form and Style: The Christensen
 Family collects African Art," Snite
 Museum of Art, all day.

Wednesday

- ◆ Lecture: "Philosophy of Relation in John Paul II's New Feminism,"

 Sister Prudence Allen, R.S.M.,
- 7 p.m., 140 DeBartolo Hall
- ◆ Presentation: "Sex Signals,"
- 7 p.m., Carroll Auditorium, Saint Mary's

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Massachusetts RAs vote on joining union

ROSTON

Resident assistants at University of Massachusetts at Amherst, dissatisfied with their low wages, will have the opportunity to join a union for bargaining purposes, the Massachusetts Labor Relations Commission ruled last week.

The school's resident assistants will have a chance to vote on joining the United Auto Workers local 2322, which local union President James Shaw said could be used as a "bargaining unit" to help RAs get a contract. "We're really excited," Shaw said. "This is a new vanguard for the employees. RAs begged for changes, and the bosses refused. Now management will be forced to make changes."

The topic was broached last spring when UMass-Amherst RAs floated petitions around campus.



If the RAs do vote to join the union, the UAW would help the RAs get a contract and then vote on accepting the terms of the contract, Shaw said. The RAs would then have to pay union dues once the contract was put into place.

Some RAs at the school have disputed the need for unionization. In an editorial column printed in The Massachusetts Daily Collegian last

April, UMass-Amherst RA Rob Schulze said greed is the driving factor behind the push for joining the UAW. According to Schulze, UMass-Amherst RAs receive a double occupancy room to themselves, plus a payment of \$50 per week.

The UMass-Amherst administration shares Schulze's views on the UAW proposal.

"Most administrations across the country would be opposed to undergraduates joining a union," said UMass-Amherst spokeswoman Kay Scanlan. "They are students first and foremost. Obviously they work here, but we always consider them students first."

"Most RAs work one semester or one year, then they're gone," she said. "They are not a stable class of employees."

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Error releases kidney donor names

Two recent breaches of confidential information at University of Minnesota Medical School have reinforced concern among school officials regarding the security of clinical records. The most recent breach occurred in late December, when 410 kidney recipients were sent letters containing the names of their deceased donors. The letters were part of a survey researching the long-term care of kidney recipients, said Dr. Richard Bianco, assistant vice president for regulatory affairs. Due to a software upgrade, a database inadvertently included the donors' names in the letters. Bianco said although the breach was caused by a computer glitch, human error played a part because the donors' names weren't spotted before the letters were mailed. Bianco said the researchers have sent out letters asking the recipients not to contact the donors' relatives. So far, one man related to a kidney donor has told Medical School officials someone was trying to contact him. The school also has received calls from kidney recipients who said they want to thank donors' family members.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

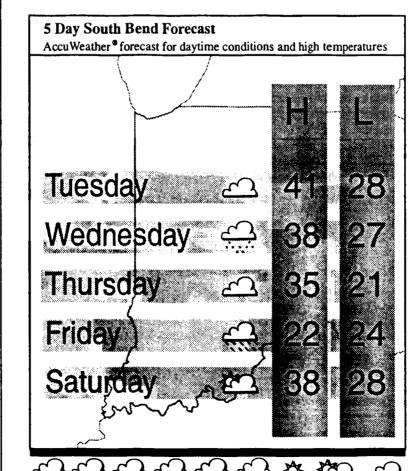
Online learning eases student costs

In light of budget cuts and increasing student enrollment at University of California, UC-Davis' administration has considered online education as a potential solution. UCD has been quick to adopt online technology that is increasing in popularity at universities across the country. Each online course varies in its use of technology, but those offered at UCD generally offer course material in the form of Internet files or compact disks, all of which may be accessed at the students' leisure. Heading the alternative form of learning is the Mellon Project, a study funded by a \$500,000 grant from the Andrew Mellon foundation. The project has been assessing the quality of online courses in its year-and-a-half existence, according to co-director Barbara Sommer. Specifically, the project will be evaluating the effects of distance learning on cost and students' learning ability upon its completion next month. The project has implemented various online general education courses since its start, such as Introductory Statistics, Introduction to Winemaking, Art History and many others, Sommer said.

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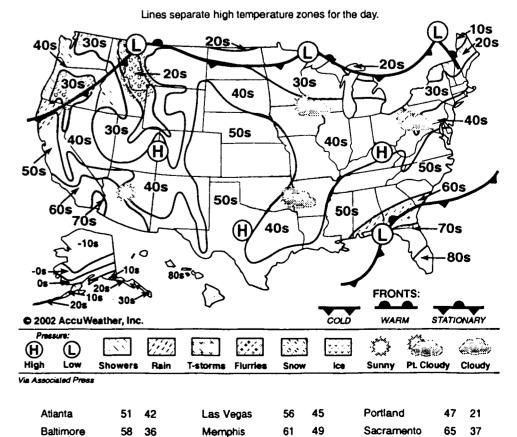
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Recovering rector takes time off

By JASON McFARLEY News Editor

Father David Scheidler has taken a leave of absence as rector of St. Edward's Hall while he recovers from medical

problems that hospitalized him last week. His semester-long departure leaves open the possibility that he will return in the fall.



Scheidler

In his absence, former assistant rector Peyton Berg became acting rector of the men's residence hall.

Scheidler is recuperating in an on-campus ward from symptoms of a bleeding ulcer, Berg said. The condition put him in the hospital Jan. 20, and he was moved Thursday to Holy Cross House, a University care facility and home for elderly priests.

"There was a lot of lost blood, and it was going to take a long recovery," Berg said. "[Officials] felt like it was in the best interest of David and the dorm that he take time off."

At a hall-wide meeting Thursday, Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, announced Scheidler's departure and health status, according to Berg. Poorman told residents that Scheidler would make a

full recovery and possibly resume his duties next semester.

While he recuperates, Scheidler, the hall's rector for the past eight years, also vacates his positions

as assistant rector of Basilica of the Sacred Heart and chaplain for the Alliance for Catholic Education program. "He will be sorely missed in all three aspects," Berg said.

The situation leaves hall staff short-handed, Berg said, but St. Ed's residents have filled in the gaps that Scheidler's absence created.

"The hall is very fortunate to have an excellent staff," he said. "They've all stepped up and responded to adversity."

The hall's five resident assistants, for example, have taken on responsibilities ordinarily reserved for the rector or

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This is his home. We

can't wait for him to

return, hopefully soon."

Nick Sciola

residents' assistant

assistant rector.

M i k e Garofola is heading the selection committee for 2002-03 RA positions. He said it's a small sacrifice to make

Scheidler, a man he considers a good friend and spiritual guide.

"In order to see that he recu-

perates and does what he needs to do to get well, we're

going to keep everything in good condition," Garofola said. "We'll be more than fine."

Another RA, Nick Sciola, has increased his duties to include main-

tenance problems in the hall. He said staff and non-staff members alike have offered to help however they can.

"The dorm has been amazingly responsive," Sciola said.
"Guys in my section have asked me what they can do."

Residents have visited Scheidler several times since his arrival at Holy Cross House. His birthday was Saturday.

Garofola said Scheidler seemed happy, chatting with visitors and telling jokes ... "like going to see a good friend." Scheidler enjoys the attention but needs privacy to speed his

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Peyton Berg

acting director

recovery,
Sciola said.
He requested that people limit
their visits to

see him.
Scheidler
has access to
a computer
and appreciates receiving well

wishes via e-mail, Berg said. Send mail to scheidler.6@nd.edu.

"He can't wait to return," Schiola said. "This is his home. We can't wait for him to return, hopefully soon."

Garofola said, "If anyone can recuperate and get through this, it's him."

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GSU

SRC reviews graduate student center proposal

By ANDREW THAGARD News Writer

Officers of the Graduate Student Union [GSU] presented their views on a graduate student center and overall quality of life to the Student Relations Committee of the Alumni Association on Friday.

The meeting was the first formal GSU presentation to the committee. The GSU, however, hopes to make such an event a yearly tradition.

"This is in a way an introductory meeting to hopefully establish a yearly meeting to keep communication going," said Gabriela Burgos, GSU president.

Burgos, vice president Kishori Deshpande, human diversity chair David Rodriquez, quality of life chair Tommy Scheiding and healthcare chair Adrienne Minerack dedicated the bulk of the meeting to presenting their concept of a graduate student center. The group also offered possibilities for a short-term solution.

"There is an urgent need for a space for graduate students that would facilitate communication," said Deshpande.

According to Rodriquez, the center should be centrally located on campus, establish an identity for the graduate school and be equipped for multiple functions — including food service and office and conferencing space.

"The goal is to have the building used as many hours of the day as possible,"

Rodriquez said.

An ideal center should also contain additional space for child care, a computer cluster and an information center offering graduate student services,

Scheiding said.

The group supported their idea with a list of top graduate schools — more than 70 percent of which had student centers — and a survey commissioned by the GSU and written by the Laboratory for Social Resources.

The survey of 200 students found that 61 percent favored a gathering center for the graduate student community. Another survey indicated that 74 percent of respondents wanted staffed food service and social space in the proposed center and that 90 percent would use the center 2-3 times per week.

As a short-term solution to solve the concern concerning social space, the GSU proposed increasing the scope of membership of the University Club. The group wants to lobby to increase graduate student membership from teaching assistants to all graduate students and MBA and law school students. They also suggested lowering the \$25 membership fee per semester to \$10 for these groups.

The committee appeared supportive of the GSU's ideas but cautioned the organization that they did not have the authority to make such decisions.

"These suggestions all seem sound and well thought out," one of the committee members

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communication going."

Gabriela Burgos

GSU president

said. "But we don't make policy, we don't influence that kind of stuff."

The committee, however, promised to act as a springboard for more discussion

and offered to assist the GSU.

"There is going to be lots of concrete poured over this campus in the next five years," another committee member said. "There's got to be an alcove for graduate students."

The GSU first began considering a graduate student center when Rodriquez, an architectural student, had to design a mock center for a project. Since then, Rodriquez and Scheiding have led the effort within the GSU. The organization has made similar presentations to other University organizations to determine support of the center.

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Social Concerns Spring 2002 Seminars March 10-16, 2002

Information SessionsTONIGHT! Monday, January 28th at the CSC in Room 124

5:30



Hispanic Ministry - Coachella, California

This seminar will explore many dimensions of Holy Cross collaborative leadership and ministries, especially in *Nuestra Senora de Soledad* Parish (Coachella, CA). During the week-long period, participants will encounter a variety of Holy Cross religious and lay persons who are committed to the mission of evangelization and reaching out to the needs of the poor.

6:00



L'Arche Seminar - Toronto, Canada

This seminar centers around travel to a L'Arche community in Toronto, Canada to share community life with people with developmental challenges. Students draw from the philosophy of Jean Vanier and various spiritual writings to augment this participatory learning experience.

6:30



Migrant Experiences Seminar - Immokalee, Florida

This seminar offers a unique immersion into the lives of migrant farmworkers in Florida during the spring harvest. Students pick tomatoes in the fields (donating their wages), live with migrant families, assist agencies that serve migrants, meet with community leaders, and never again take food for granted.

7:00



Appalachia Seminar

The Appalachia seminar, 20 plus years after its creation, continues to send approximately 300 students each year to five states in the Appalachia region. Students explore religious, social, political, and environmental issues and serve in a variety of contexts. More than 15 service-learning sites are available.

7:30



Washington Seminar

Christians are supposedly citizens of both the heavenly and earthly cities. But how is this "dual-citizenship" lived out? By visiting a Benedictine monastery, a Catholic Worker farm, and several Catholic public policy organizations, this seminar will explore how we, as Christians, are called to live and work in the world. This year's immersion entitled "Workers, Monks, and Citizens: From Christian Anarchists to Christian Bureaucrats" will use the resources of our nation's capital to explore this issue.



Applications are available at the Center for Social Concerns and are due January 30th by 10:00P.M.



Kate

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were administered. She was known to do schoolwork — even take final exams — in the hospital, determined not to miss a deadline.

"No matter what kind of health problems she was having, she didn't look to us to make exceptions for her," Pittman said. "She really needed them and deserved them, but she really held her self to very hard standards."

"She had a great zest for life," said Becky Stoddart, Kate's senior comprehensive adviser. "She never had an excuse, and never offered any."

But as she approached her graduation date, her health began to deteriorate. Doctors recommended she carry oxygen tanks 24 hours a day to assist her in breathing.

Determined to be the normal student she wanted to be, she kept the tanks in her car instead, using them before and after class.

With an eye on her upcoming graduation, she completed her senior comprehensive project about breast cancer awareness. A worker in a mammography center in Mishawaka, she felt strongly that younger women needed to be more aware of risks and prevention.

The project was accepted for presentation at the annual Psychological Midwestern Association Meeting in Chicago, the week before her graduation.

She wasn't able to present it. With her health deteriorating, she was hospitalized during senior week. After that visit to the hospital, she went back on the waiting list for a transplant. She was marked as a priority.

But she fought her doctors hard enough to be released from the hospital for her graduation. Draped in a black gown and honor cords, she walked across the stage and received her diploma — with a summa cum laude notation.

"Even though she felt awful, the light in her eyes was just amazing," her husband, Jim Krzyzak, said. "She was so happy."

It was close to five months before Kate received word there was a new pair of lungs available for transplant. In the meantime, that meant waiting.

Jim and Kate used an e-mail list during the wait to keep in contact with friends and family, sending updates about her condition. They also kept in close contact with Cystic-L, an internet group for friends and family of cystic fibrosis patients.

And of course, they relied on each other.

"She wouldn't have gotten through her life without him," said Lauren O'Neil, a bridesmaid in Jim and Kate's wedding. "They were completely honest with each other — it was meant to be."

The two loved outdoor activities — biking, skiing, in-line skating or walking the dog. Whether it was watching Bears games on Sunday afternoons or going to a movie, they loved spending time together.

"She did so much more than she could really do," Jim said. "Even this last year, when she was feeling bad, she'd take her oxygen off and go ride around the subdivisions on her bike with me. The times she couldn't do things I know she felt so guilty there were times when she just had to say no."

Friends and family poured in with their support while they waited as well. Jim's mother, Bonnie, began a "blue ribbon campaign" which asked friends



Photo courtesy of Blue Mantle yearbook Kate McCloughan-Krzyzak with mother Marianne at graduation.

and family to tie a blue ribbon around a tree in their yards until Kate received a transplant and

came home from the hospital. Finally, on Oct. 30, the call came: there was a new set of lungs available for Kate.

At 3 a.m. the next day, doctors began the seven-and-a-half hour operation. She came through the surgery beautifully, and it looked like there wouldn't be complications.

There was just one nagging problem: she wasn't ready to come off the machine that was helping her breathe.

"They couldn't seem to get her off it, and they didn't know why," Jim said. "We just thought, knowing Kate, she'd fly right out of that.'

She didn't. Doctors performed tests a few days later, and discovered a blood clot had developed in her right lung. While her medical statistics improved briefly, doctors later found that the right upper lobe of the lung had died as a result. They had to perform another surgery to remove it.

For the next several weeks, Kate battled infection after infection, until doctors couldn't find medicine to treat her.

"There are no antibiotics known to man that could fight it," Jim said. "Her body just couldn't handle it."

Wednesday, doctors told Kate's family a decision had to be made about whether to continue her life on life support. Her living will indicated she wouldn't want to continue life by extraordinary

means. At her bedside Friday during her final hours of life, Jim wrote two poems to her, the final two in a collection he had written throughout their relationship. "How am I supposed to continue without you by my side?" he wrote. "Hold on to the strength you have given me, but I'm afraid that a part of me has

died." At 12:15 p.m. Friday, Kate finally ended her battle with the disease when her family made the decision to remove her from life support.

"She never wanted to be a vegetable," O'Neil said. "She would have never wanted people to sit around crying. Kate wanted to

◆ Visitation services for Kate McCloughan-Krzyzak will be today at Bubb's Funeral Chapel, 3910 N. Main Street in Mishawaka from 2 to 4 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. Her funeral service will be Tuesday at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 17195 Cleveland Road, South Bend. Donations can be made in her name to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation or the National

Transplant Assistance Fund.

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Play of the mind tackles concerns

By MARY CAMPE News Writer

More than 10 schools from around the country attended Saint Mary's 11th-annual "Play of the Mind" conference, entitled "Cultural Crossroads: Faces and Facets of Faith."

Following Martha Nussbaum's lecture "Patriotism Compassion" to open the event on Thursday, the conference continued on Friday with small-group brainstorming sessions.

Participants discussed different issues and concerns they face on their own campuses. This time was described as an opportunity to reflect on different faiths within the participants' campuses and communities.

"This was a time for everyone to voice what problems or concerns they had on their own campus," said sophomore Jessica Silliman.

The rest of the evening was spent discussing the issues broke up in these small groups together and in different small groups. The participants put on skits at the end about the topics discussed to close the evening.

"The skits were a great way to inform everyone of what was discussed outside of their own groups," Silliman said. "They were fun and eye-opening."

After these presentations,

each group posed a question for the audience to consider. This was in hope of bringing up more discussions and thoughts later in the confer-

On Saturday, the conference continued with more small group discussions designed to help participants realize the differences and similarities in each participating school's campus. These groups also tried to come up with plans as to how they could change the existing issues and concerns on these campuses.

"It was interesting to see that other schools have the same things going on at their schools," Silliman stated, claiming that this was a good view at other schools other than Saint Mary's.

The weekend ended on Saturday evening with a banquet dinner that some attendants called a celebration.

"There was music prayer, and more discussion and reflection," Silliman said. "I really enjoyed the whole weekend. It was a great experience that helped everyone learn how to be more accepting of others and different lifestyles."

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Saint Mary's 2002-2003 Student Body Elections Are Coming!

Monday, January 28th, 2002 All Day

On-Campus Students vote in the dining hall during all meals. Off-Campus Students vote in the off-campus lounge from 9am-4pm.

Come and place your vote for your Student Body President & Vice President for the 2002-2003 school year!

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WORLD NATION

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Iran warns anti-Iraq 'outsider': Iranian President Mohammad Khatami warned "foreigners" against interfering with Iraq's territorial integrity, state-run Tehran television reported on Sunday. Khatami did not elaborate, but the comment was an apparent reference to the threat of U.S.-led forces attacking Iraq as part of the war against terrorism.

Uzbeks vote on Presidential plan: Uzbeks voted Sunday on whether to lengthen the presidential term, a move that a prominent human rights group criticized as an attempt by President Islam Karimov to expand his power. Election officials said about 92 percent of the country's 13.2 million voters cast ballots in the referendum, which was widely expected to pass.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

NYC experiencing water crunch: New Yorkers must conserve water or face possible shortages brought on by this winter's

unusually warm and dry weather, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said Sunday. New York City has been on a drought watch since Dec. 23, meaning there is less than a 50 percent chance that the city's reservoirs will be full by June 1.

U.S. sailor lost in Pacific: Navy aircraft and ships are searching for a U.S. sailor who fell overboard from an aircraft carrier off the coast of Southern California. The sailor was discovered missing Saturday morning on the USS Abraham Lincoln. A search of the ship failed to locate him. It was not known how the sailor fell overboard, said Cmdr. Jack Papp, a spokesman for the U.S. Pacific Fleet. The Lincoln, based in Everett, Wash., had been taking part in routine battle group exercises about 90 miles west of San Diego.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Beetles to protect vegetation: northwest Indiana environmental group looking for volunteers to raise beetles to will someday feast on an exotic plant thre ening the region's landscape. The Valpara Chain of Lakes Watershed Group will hold informational meeting Monday night breeding species of Galerucella beetles. European bugs dine on purple loosestr which can overrun native vegetation. European plant has aggressively ous native plants in wetlands and along shores and banks of lakes and streams.

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Interim Afghani leader Hamid Karzai addresses an audience at the Mustafa Mosque in Annandale, Va. on Sunday. Karzai is in the U.S., where he will be a guest of honor at the State of the Union Address this week.

Karzai to seek continuing U.S. role

Associated Press

WASHINGTON When Hamid Karzai, Afghanistan's interim leader, meets President Bush on Monday, he is expected to seek a continuing U.S. commitment to help restore the peace in his violence-torn country, Afghan officials say.

Karzai arrived here Sunday afternoon, the first Afghan leader to visit Washington in 39 years.

Before leaving for the United States, Karzai told Afghan television that he would use the trip to push for the expansion of a multinational peacekeeping force into the rest of Afghanistan.

Afghan officials believe troops are needed in the countryside to deal with regional warlords. They also have indicated they want American troops to participate.

"This is the determination of the Afghan people," Karzai said.

The Bush administration has resisted U.S. involvement in the 2,500-person British-led international security assistance force operating in Kabul. Thousands more troops are expected.

Karzai, 44, attended a prayer service at a mosque afternoon and planned an evening address at Georgetown University.

Several hundred Afghan-Americans at the mosque were brought up to date on the situation in Afghanistan by Karzai, who spoke in one of the main languages of Afghanistan.

The Bush administration is undecided on how long U.S. troops, currently numbering about 4,000, should remain Afghanistan.

Afghan Foreign Minister Abdullah said Friday he believes U.S. and international forces should

in suburban Virginia in the remain in Afghanistan beyond the six-month life of the interim government.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said last week that American troops will remain in Afghanistan at least until the summer. The interim government steps down in June and will be replaced by a government selected by a national council.

The American military focus in Afghanistan has been on hunting down remnants of the Taliban regime that was deposed in November and the al-Qaida terrorist group, headed by Osama bin Laden.

Daschle accuses Bush of 'Enronizing'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

It's a war of non-words.

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle accuses the Bush administration of "Enronizing" the economy by raiding retirement and health funds to enrich the affluent.

Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott fired back with his own new verb: "Daschle-ize."

Daschle, the South Dakota Democrat who uttered "Enronize" last week, faced questions Sunday about whether he had gone too far in

comparing Enron's possibly criminal activity to the administration's stewardship of the economy and budget. He didn't back down.

"I don't want to see happen to all of the country, to our retirees, what happened to employees of the Enron Corporation," he said on CBS's "Face the Nation."

The Enron collapse wiped out the retirement savings of thousands of company employees, as well as investors nationwide.

Lott, the Mississippi Republican., called Daschle's new word "very inappropriate."

"When Senator Daschle uses a term like that, I don't think that's a good way to start off the year," Lott said on CBS.

"We need to be coming together and not using adjectives or verbs to describe each other's motives," Lott said.

President Bush stayed well clear of the scrap Sunday. He went to church with his wife and parents, then ventured out on an unseasonably warm winter day at Fort McNair with the first lady and his father. Later Sunday, they were going out to dinINDIA

Dalai Lama admitted to hospital

Associated Press

BOMBAY

After illness forced the Dalai Lama to miss several special prayer sessions during the week, the Tibetan Buddhist leader was admitted Sunday to a hospital for treatment of a lump in his stomach.

Looking weak but flashing a broad smile, the 66-year-old got out of his car and walked a short distance into Bombay's Lilawati Hospital, supported by his aides.

"The Dalai Lama is cheerful and talking to his associates," Prakash Mhatre, a director at

Lilawati Hospital, said later.

Mhatre said doctors were taking X-rays and conducting ultrasound and blood tests. He



Dalai Lama

said test results were expect-

ed Monday.

Ill health forced the Dalai Lama to sit out most of his engagements at special prayers called Kalchakra, or Wheel of Time, when the ceremonies began last Monday, because he had been advised to rest for three days. The rituals were postponed until next winter.

On Thursday, he also postponed his teachings before tens of thousands of followers at Tibetan Buddhism's most sacred worship ceremony. He said he would not be able to sustain the rituals, which require him to sit still for at least five hours.

He underwent a medical checkup at the same hospital in early December and all tests came back normal, Mhatre said.

The spiritual leader had been complaining of abdominal pain and exhaustion and was examined by a team of doctors in a Buddhist monastery in Bodhgaya, a complex of temples in the eastern Indian state of Bihar. It then was decided he would

fly to Bombay.

A member of the medical team, A.M. Rai, said the Dalai Lama had a lump in his stomach, but gave no further details.

The Dalai Lama fled Tibet in 1959 with thousands of supporters after a failed uprising against China. Since then, he has headed a government-in-exile in the northern Indian town of Dharmsala. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1989 for his nonviolent struggle against Chinese rule.

AFGHANISTAN

Special forces/CIA wage secret Afgan war

Associated Press

KANDAHAR

They are the secret warriors in America's hidden war: CIA and Special Operations forces who ride into battle on pickup trucks, dune buggies and helicopters.

As the U.S.-led campaign evolves from a seen-on-TV

bombing campaign to a cave-by-cave hunt for al-Qaida and Taliban holdouts, covert U.S. agents and troops are increasingly fighting the key battles.

But the Pentagon keeps details of this war secret. Only rarely — as with a Special Forces raid on Taliban forces this week — is a some light shed on their operations. Even conventional U.S. forces also on the ground in Afghanistan are kept in the dark.

Troops from conventional units stationed at the airport

here refer to the special forces as "the alphabet guys" — bearded warriors hidden behind sunglasses. Official military statements rarely mention them.

The "alphabet guys" tag apparently originated because many of the troops were linked to the CIA.

In Kandahar, Afghan provin-

cial official
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Pashtun halfapologized
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said, of cam-

era-hostile Special Forces whom the reporters were trailing. "We need them more than we need you," Pashtun told journalists. "What can we do? Which would you choose?"

No U.S. soldier relayed the threat directly to any of the reporters and it was impossible to tell whether Pashtun embellished the instructions.

However, the incident shows the close contact between Special Forces and Afghan allies and the lengths to which both go to keep operations

Covert U.S. forces, including the Army Green Berets or Special Forces, are known as Special Operations forces and drawn from all three armed services. They are spearheading operations against what Afghan leaders say are hundreds of fugitive Taliban and al-Qaida.

Army Special Forces led one of the largest such operations on Wednesday, flying by helicopter to raid what the Pentagon says appeared to be Taliban military compounds in the north. The Pentagon reported about 15 enemy fighters killed and 27 captured. One American soldier was wounded.

Villagers, however, claimed U.S. forces bombed their town hall and clinic, and killed and arrested innocent people and men loyal to Afghanistan's U.S.-backed interim leader, Hamid Karzai.

But the Army called the raid a success — one of many, it

said, for the in-and-out Special Forces.

"I think it's safe to say this war has been anything but conventional," Army spokesman Capt. Tony Rivers said at the Kandahar base Saturday.

Speaking of the covert forces, Rivers said, "In my opinion, they're the most significant reason for the success we've had in this war."

That success, however, has not been complete. Osama bin Laden, the prime suspect in the Sept. 11 attacks, remains at large, as does Taliban leader Mullah Mohammed Omar.

U.S. Gen. Tommy Franks, commander of the U.S.-led Afghan campaign, said Saturday that sending more conventional troops would not have increased the military's chances of catching bin Laden.

"The tactics in this operation were just the right tactics," Franks said. He invoked the bogged-down 1980s Soviet campaign in Afghanistan. "One does not want to commit mistakes that have been committed by other people in the past."

Special Operations forces are believed to number at least in

the hundreds in Afghanistan. No U.S. official will give a firm number, citing security. These commandos — whose troops are hand-picked, better trained and equipped than ordinary infantrymen — were created for just the kind of fast, small-scale operations under way in Afghanistan.

CIA paramilitaries, working under the agency's Special Activities Division, operate alongside U.S. military, Afghan allied forces, or alone.

Franks and others have emphasized intelligence over blunt force in the campaign. Some CIA contacts no doubt date back to association with Afghan guerrilla fighters during the war against Soviet invaders. The United States and its allies secretly armed and trained Afghan resistance fighters.

But by their nature, little information on their work is reaching the public. For example, the briefings at the U.S. base at Kandahar airport have to do mostly with efforts to secure and run the base — the trials of getting a working water system in place are a running serial.

Attention First-Year MBA's

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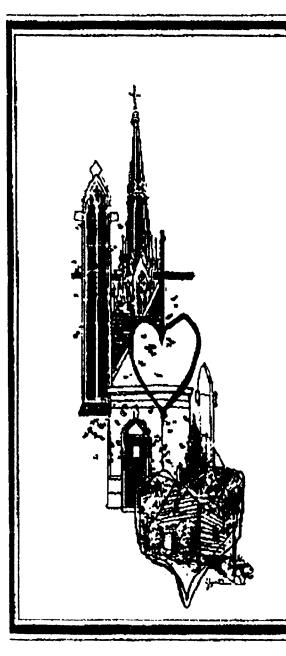
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HAITI

Poor ransack warehouse

♦ Grass-roots group asks Aristide to end subsidized rice program

Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE
Police fired bullets and tear
gas Sunday at hundreds of
poor Haitians who ransacked
warehouses and demanded
rice under a program that
critics say is illegally subsidized and benefits some ruling party officials financially
and politically.

Protesters had poured out of the Cite Soleil seaside slum and surrounded hundreds of trucks and official state vehicles loaded up with cheap rice. Rice is a staple in Haiti, a Caribbean nation with one of the hemisphere's worst hunger problems.

Riot police fired shots into

the air and tear gas canisters into crowds demanding a share of the so-called "Rice for Peace." But they

w e r e unable to control the crowd, which ransacked port-side warehouses.

A nonprofit arm of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide's Lavalas Party has been importing the rice from Asia and the United States free of taxes and customs duties. Party officials say the program is a legitimate way to bring down living costs, but some lawmakers from within the party are accusing one

other of profiting from it inappropriately.

One lawmaker accused oth-

ers of taking a cut of profits from sales of the subsidized rice. A highrank in g Senate official confirmed that most Lavalas Party sena-

tors were allowed to take some of the rice to distribute to poor people in their electoral districts.

"We voted for Aristide — not these fat cats or the riot police," Oscar Francisco, a 19-year-old member of a pro-Aristide grass-roots group, shouted amid Sunday's melee.

Lavalas Party spokesman Jones Petit said the party's nonprofit Pou Nou Tout (For Us All) cooperative imported 70,000 tons of rice between

"It's an unfair trading

practice, and illegal."

Maurice Lafortune

Chamber of Commerce president

May and November — the latest figures he had available — and distributed it on the open market, driving the

wholesale price down from \$26 to about \$20 for a 110-pound bag. Haiti imports a total of 300,000 tons of rice a

Most Haitians buy the subsidized rice for about \$1.40 for six pounds, compared to \$1.60 for rice imported with taxes

Haitian-grown rice is even more expensive because soil here is eroded, agricultural practices are archaic and farmers suffer transport problems

"We voted for Aristide not these fat cats or the riot police."

> Oscar Francisco Aristide member

A single cent can make a big difference to the 8.2 million people of this Caribbean is land nation, where the average

daily income is \$1.

Petit justified the rice program as a legitimate "struggle against the high cost of living."

But businessmen and economists disagreed.

"It's an unfair trading practice, and illegal," said Chamber of Commerce President Maurice Lafortune, adding that the cheap rice threatens to force importers and rice farmers out of business.

According to Petit's figures, the subsidies from May to November lost the Haitian treasury \$4.7 million in sales taxes and custom duties. That is enough to pay 17,000 public school teachers for three months.

Since flawed local and legislative elections in 2000, the international community has frozen hundreds of millions of dollars in aid for Haiti. Meanwhile, Haiti's budget deficit has soared to an unprecedented \$80 million.

Independent economist Kesner Pharel said continued rice subsidies "will lead to the rise in the market price of other products," and could fuel migration from the countryside to city slums.

JERUSALEM

Palestinian woman kills 1 in bomb attack

Associated Press

A Palestinian woman on Sunday became the first female to launch a bomb attack against Israel, killing herself and an 81-year-old Israeli man and wounding at least a dozen people on a busy Jerusalem street.

Israeli police said they were not sure if the woman intended to kill herself or if the bomb exploded prematurely as she walked along Jaffa Street, the main commercial strip in west Jerusalem.

In Lebanon, the Al-Manar television station run by the militant Hezbollah movement said the bomber was Shinaz Amuri, a female student at Al-Najah University in the West Bank town of Nablus.

Israel accused Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat of "encouraging terrorism" and said it was prepared to respond to the bombing — the third major attack in an Israeli city in a week.

Vice President Dick Cheney said Arafat must "make a 100 percent good-faith effort to put an end to terrorism."

The blast next to a shoe shop blew out shop windows, set a store on fire and left victims sprawled on the pavement amid shards of glass, pieces of fruit, shoes and storefront mannequins.

"It sounded like half the street exploded," said Hama Gidon, a clothing store worker who was slightly injured. "All the mannequins went flying and I did too. People were falling, glass was flying everywhere."

More than 100 people were treated on the spot or taken to hospitals, though most suffered only from shock. Three people were seriously hurt and nine had moderate injuries, officials

said.

Mark Sokolov, a U.S. citizen from Woodmere, N.Y., who survived the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center, was slightly hurt in Sunday's explosion along with his wife and two daughters.

"I heard a loud whoosh, like a bang, and I kind of saw things flying around a little bit, and then I realized I was able to get up and walk around," Sokolov told Israeli television.

Sokolov said he was on the 38th floor of the World Trade Center's south tower on Sept. 11 when a hijacked airliner hit the north tower. His office was evacuated and he escaped before the south tower was hit.

No group immediately claimed responsibility for Sunday's attack, but Israel said it held Arafat ultimately responsible.

Arafat is "encouraging terrorism, he's sending (attackers) to Jerusalem," said Raanan Gissin, a spokesman for Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon. "We will continue to systematically dismantle the terrorist infrastructure."

The Palestinian leadership, meanwhile, "strongly condemned the suicide attack" and called on President Bush to send Mideast envoy Anthony Zinni back to the region. However, Bush has been sharply critical of Arafat, and Cheney suggested on "Fox News Sunday" that Zinni will not return soon.

"At this stage, we need to see some positive signs that his return would do some good. And that means we've got to see some positive results out of Arafat," Cheney said.

Arafat must "make a 100 percent good-faith effort to put an end to terrorism," he said. "So far he hasn't done that."

Exhibit

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Paul's small statues made of bent metal, rocks and plants. The pieces are kinetic, moving with the air currents.

Laura Lobdell's untitled works are from the series "Ultrasuade Drawing," and consist of seven pieces of ultrasuade in colors like magenta and lilac hung from the ceiling.

Students seemed to enjoy the new exhibit since it is different than the usual artwork show-cased at Saint Mary's.

"I've enjoyed the past shows that Krista [Hoefle, gallery director] has set up, so I thought I would appreciate the artists she brought in for this one," said art student Tori Cox.

Also on Friday, an exhibit in the Hammes Gallery by Dianna Frid opened to the public. This segment is not a part of "Organic Forms and Synthetic Materials," but Frid said, "they are accidentally tied together."

Her works consist of uniting pieces from the floor plans of different national museums to form new creations. One smaller piece is made of cutouts from the maps of the Museum of Modern Art and the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, both in New York City, among

others. Frid cut out the different rooms from the maps and pasted them together in the shape of a labyrinth.

"It melds the idea of a museum as a place of culture with the idea of a labyrinth as a place where you get lost," Frid said. "It's a place of amusement, of mythical proportions, where your memory helps you get out."

Frid said that there is playfulness in recomposing architec-

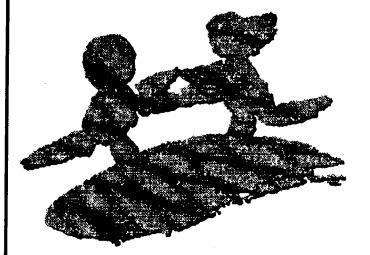
tural places that really do exist. One of the larger pieces in her exhibit appears to be a fuller scale version of the museum labyrinth. Frid frayed cloth pieces similar to the museum floor plan cutouts and attached them in a labyrinth shape using pins.

"Even though it's flat on the wall and not taking up space, to me it's a sculpture," Frid said.

Both exhibits are full of unique works unlike any that Saint Mary's has shown recently. They will be in place through March 8.

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Black and white issues

No matter where we as Americans go, even in the brave new world that's followed Sept. 11, we're always hounded by one issue: race relations.

Don't believe me? The perfectly ordinary action of hiring a football coach nearly exploded into a race riot when the

"Reverend"

Jesse Jackson

Mike Marchand

Undistinguished Alumnus

took time out of his busy schedule of knocking up secretaries and shaking down corporations for payoffs to lecture the Notre Dame about how it simply had to hire an African-American coach. In the end, we got the best guy we could, which was the goal all along. But since he just happens to be black, it was all of a sudden massively important that Notre Dame hired him.

Such idiocy is not limited to the Notre Dame bubble. In New York City, plans were underway to build a statue of the three firefighters who raised the American flag Iwo Jima-style over the ruins of the World Trade Center. But the statue was to be racially cleansed. The three bronze heroes were to be white, black, and Hispanic, when in reality, all three of the flagraisers were white.

Some people ask here, "Why should this matter?" In some sense, it doesn't. There were black and Hispanic firefighters who died saving others in the World Trade Center, and it is right to remember their sacrifice. But the three men who raised the flag were real people, with real names: Billy Eisengrein, George Johnson and Dan McWilliams.

Changing their race is at best overzealous, out-of-control political correctness and at worst straight dishonesty, offensive to them and the FDNY victims of the attack. When the

real Iwo Jima statue was built based on the video of the Marines raising the flag, nobody bothered to bleach the face of Ira Hayes, who was Native American. And this was in the time when the law of the South was Jim Crow.

But the attempt to alter ethnicities to satisfy some statue affirmative action plan is a dangerous trend. We all saw the picture of the flag-raisers on television and on magazine covers. Who noticed that they were white? Not very many of us. Heroes, definitely; firefighters, of course; New Yorkers, yeah, Americans first and last, but white?

Only someone so focused on race that it consumes their every opinion of culture singled out their race. And hence, they wanted to change it. The other 99.9 percent of us could care less if they were white, black, Hispanic, Asian, Christian, Jewish, Muslim, male, female, young, old, straight, gay, Republican, Democrat or any other subset of our one American group of the human race. They already represented us. They didn't need to have their appearance changed to appease someone's sensibilities.

Look, I'm not knocking diversity. It's a wonderful thing. But who said that everything had to be diverse? Who believes that African-Americans can only have heroes who are African-American, or that Latinos can only have Latino heroes? What cockeyed thinking caused someone to look at that picture and say, "It's not a perfect moment — those guys are white!" and then set out to rewrite what really.happened?

The problem is that there are two kinds of diversity advocates: those who support inclusiveness of minorities to what we already have, and those who support inclusiveness of minorities along with the changing or outright exclusion of the past. For example, offering classes of gender or African-American studies are commendable goals, and they fall under the first. But history books that devote more space to Malcolm X than Abraham Lincoln go too far.

Closer to home, Notre Dame was right to consider and then eventually hire Tyrone Willingham. But the idea that Notre Dame was somehow a racist institution if they didn't, as expressed by some sports journalists and race relation "experts," crosses the line.

And remembering the sacrifices of the minority members of the NYPD, FDNY, and PANY/NJ is of course, a valuable idea. But commissioning a memorial statue that does so at the expense of history and the real people involved, serves only as a monument to knee-jerk political correctness.

Thankfully, the statue plan was scrapped after vocal criticism. But if we truly lived in a colorblind society, the idea would have never reached the planning stage. And just because that one example of ethnic shading was stopped doesn't mean that the belief is still out there, waiting for another chance to ruin a moment of unity and force us all to think in terms of black and white.

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"In all the relations of life and death, we are met by the color line."

> **Frederick Douglass** abolitionist

GUEST COLUMN

Detainees are being treated humanely

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The Tiger

In the past week, talk has been heard from overseas and our own country about the possibility of unfair treatment and inhumane conditions at Camp X-Ray, the detainment camp in Cuba where 158 Afghan detainees are being held. These accusations are ridiculous and unfounded, coming from people who are obviously thirsting for something to protest. These detainees, who are either al Qaeda members or Taliban officials, were responsible for ending the lives of thousands of innocent

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American citizens.

They don't deserve a stay at the country club. One of the biggest problems for protestors, in Britain and at home, is the classification of these people. The United States does not want to label them POWs because that will cause problems with the Geneva Convention. If they

were to be so labeled, our officials could not interrogate them to get valuable information about future attacks and other terrorist networks. Furthermore, the detainees would have to be let go after the war was over. The detainees have been given four options for their fate: they can be tried in a military trial or in the U.S. criminal courts, sent to their home countries for prosecution, or they can remain in detention. Although this would be a perfect opportunity to test the U.N.'s world court, the options given sound pretty fair to us.

As far as conditions in the actual camp go, they're definitely better than the conditions these men had when they were living in caves in Afghanistan. Detainees are given a medical exam upon arrival, along with soap, shampoo, jumpsuits, flip-flops, thin mats for sleeping, a sheet and a blanket, a canteen, a toothbrush and toothpaste and two towels — one for showering, another for prayer. They are fed three meals a day, with choices ranging from bagels and cream cheese to rice and beans. They are allowed daily exercise and showers. While they live in chain-link-surrounded cells with metal roofs and concrete floors, the place is meant for their detainment, and not their vacation.

Their religious concerns have been addressed. Daily calls to prayer are made over a loudspeaker, signs are posted to show them the direction of Mecca and a Muslim cleric is being sent to the camp. Some protestors have raised questions about their beards being shaved off, but that was done simply for treatment of lice. Considering all the attention that has been given to their religious beliefs, protests about their beards are simply ridiculous.

We, and other nations, have to remember that these men have caused a large amount of damage to our country, psychologically and physically. Some of them have already threatened to hurt us again. Considering what they have done to us, we're being more than fair to them. It's pretty safe to say that the treatment an American would get in an Afghanistan prison would pale in comparison. It's true that inhumanity exists in the world, but it's not happening in Guantanamo Bay.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Show us the money

The Club Coordination Council distributes more than \$200,000 of our money to different clubs around campus. It seems only natural that we, as students, would be able to find out where all our money is going.

As officers in a club whose funding was reduced from last year with no good explanation — even through the total CCC budget went up — we wanted to know what type of club was getting all the increases. Last semester, we asked the CCC for a list of all the clubs and the fund allocations they had been given, but we were just given the runaround and told to ask an individual who, it turns out, didn't even have the authority to access such a list. He never even responded.

At the CCC Special Interest Club meeting this past Thursday, we asked Club Coordinator John Hagan directly about making a list of allocation amounts public. Hagan just said that the information was kept secret.

When several other club officers pressed for more information, he just

said that we should take his word for the fact that the allocations last year had been the most objective and impartial ever. We asked, "Well, how can we know that?" Then Hagan just stated, "That doesn't matter." We said, "But we're the students!" Then we were told, "This discussion is over."

Why are they keeping things secret if it really is fair? Are they just afraid that, if they made the allocation lists public, everyone would see that the clubs whose officers sit on the CCC are getting more money than other clubs? It's our own money that they are handling, but where is the oversight? We issue a challenge to Club Coordinator John Hagan and Student Groups Coordinator Amy Geist to end this secrecy.

James L. Rockney, co-president Alan M. Robinson, treasurer Mock Trial Knott Hall Jan. 24, 2002 LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Leadership, not abstention, will solve BOG problems

Abstension, are you nuts? Politics are not accomplished by abstention. Voices are not heard by people dissatisfied with the choice of candidates or the number. Isn't that the big question? Are the Saint Mary's voices

being heard? Some would like to argue that with only one set of candidates, our voices are not being heard. Lack of competition is no reason to say our opinions are not going to be voiced by the current candidates. If our voices aren't being heard, then they're being ignored. Is **BOG** dismissing our opinions? What are those opinions? What are your concerns? The weekly BOG meetings are open to the public. Does anyone bother to go? Perhaps that's not publicized enough.

True, those little red papers with nails through them state some pretty general, never-ending "make the DH food better" goal and the noncommittal, unspecific "advance the abilities of Detex" directive. But then, besides that and more relations with Notre Dame and Holy Cross, what do we

want? You can say only so much on one little piece of paper anyhow. If you've got an idea, I suggest you attend the weekly BOG meetings. If

you don't know where they meet, go to the Web site. I'll bet \$100 they have the date, time and place. If anyone is going to run, by all means, speak up now, so I have a reason to "abstain." You must recall that no common "Betty" can just run. You have to be "approved" first. Anyone want to come up with a platform that opposes the views of the current candidates, or come up with some ideas that better express student body opinions to make your ticket seem more "pretty" besides a question of popularity or wording? The "solution" of abstaining will only make the problem worse. You better have

someone else in mind, or we'll be

leaderless and voiceless come fall

2002. I'm not about to vote for that.

Mel Burke junior Le Mans Hall Jan. 25, 2002

Let it snow

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From that glorious moment when I received my acceptance letter to Notre Dame, people have frequently told me, "Wow, it's going to be cold there." Coming from Southern California, the cold winter was something I was really looking forward to. Each morning, I had awoken to the warmth of the sun beating on my face. I was ready for change and something new and exciting — even adventurous for an Angelino.

I was even looking forward to maybe experiencing a football game with the field covered in snow like the Oakland-New England football game. That it would not snow during the football season I came to accept. I thought to myself that maybe October was too early for it to snow. Then the native midwesterners told me that I was in for a treat. They told me that when I got back from fall break, snow should be there or should be coming in a few weeks. So I waited and it did not come. And then these experts told me that there has to be snow by Thanksgiving. And then I waited again and it failed to appear. And people were saying that it's almost Christmas, and it hasn't even snowed yet.

That's when I realized it — the South Bend winters that people claim Notre Dame struggles through are really a farce. Albeit it did snow

one day before winter break, that was nothing in comparison to some of the stories people were trying to scare me with. Apparently, when we left for winter break, a huge snowstorm came through South Bend. Coincidence? I think not. I actually think the storm didn't actually happen. Again, we got back from break, and it was cooler than Southern California, and the winter even hinted at fulfilling its prophecy, but failed again miserably.

Now, again, I am waking up to the warmth of the sun on my face — but in South Bend. Is this supposed to happen? Apparently not. It is January, the time of the year where winters are supposed to be fierce and in full force in Indiana. I am forced to conclude that the South Bend winters are not really that bad.

I don't know if I am supposed jump on the bandwagon and preach to next year's incoming freshmen how cold it is here or tell them the truth that the myth that is the South Bend winter is really non-existent.

> Joe Guintu freshman Fisher Hall Jan. 26, 2002

From the Dome to H

'87 Notre Dame graduate lands role in criticali

By JUDE SEYMOUR Scene Writer

The evolution of William Mapother took a giant leap in January of 2001 when the film in which he was starring, Todd Field's "In the Bedroom," became a sensation at the Sundance Film Festival. Audiences and critics clamored so favorably for the tiny picture, which was shot in 30 days in the serene setting of Camden, Maine, that Miramax reevaluated their strategies and began heavily promoting "Bedroom" rather than its original selection, Lasse Hallström's "The Shipping News."

When "Bedroom" opened last Christmas it was being uttered in the same sentence as "Academy Award."

It's hard to imagine that Mapother could have ever dreamed of such a scenario back in September of 1983 when he moved into the tower of Grace Hall as a lowly freshman at Notre Dame.

After a less than spectacular experience in Grace Hall, he got a guiding hand from some old high school friends.

"[They made] one of the biggest sacrifices someone ever made for me: they went to very bottom of Morrissey's room-pick list to pull me in," Mapother

William settled into Morrissey for the next three years while he pursued an English major. He became a voracious reader, picking up texts from writers as diverse as Rabelais, Thomas McGuane, Evelen Waugh and Shakespeare.

Ultimately, however, Mapother chose English because his inclinations were (and still are) for screenwriting. He credits his major as being an invaluable source for his current aspirations. Even though Mapother is the first to admit he hasn't had anything produced, he is excited about his current project, a rewrite of a comedy for Paramount.

Mapother's yearning for acting may have started at Notre Dame, as well, even if he never considered being a FTT major. He fondly recalls a life changing experience with Gregory Kucich, an English professor who introduced him to the writings of John Keats, another writer Mapother would come to admire.

Unfortunately for Mapother, his first allotment of acting jobs were invisible in another fashion - they were often only brief appearances on screen. He had the rare opportunity to work with legendary directors such as Oliver Stone, Paul Thomas Anderson and Cameron Crowe, but none realized the enormous acting potential that he had; not that Mapother squandered the opportunities he had on the sets of those big movies like "Born on the Fourth of July," "Almost Famous" and "Magnolia".

"[Actors can] learn a lot from working with great writer-directors, even inadvertently," Mapother said. "Even without asking, 'How'd you do this?,' the way they are talking to you as an actor reveals how they think about the scene and how they perceive the characters and how the scene is constructed. You can't help but learn unless you're really trying hard not to."

Mapother realized this enormous potential for learning from another writer-director, Robert Towne, who cast Mapother in his first substantial role in "Without Limits," a biography of runner Steve Prefontaine. Mapother remembers talking to Towne at length about screenwriting, seeking his advice not only on the "Without Limits" set but also when they met again during the production of "Mission: Impossible 2," which Towne wrote and in which William has a minor role.

Mapother is also extremely glad that his interactions with Cameron Crowe aren't limited to "Almost Famous" and "Vanilla Sky;" he has developed a social

relationship with Crowe that he finds irreplaceable.
Shortly after completing "Without Limits," Mapother found himself at a dinner party with Todd Field, an accomplished actor who is most notably known for his role as Nick Nightingale, the piano player with the secret password in Stanley Kubrick's "Eyes Wide Shut."

"[There was a] very intense two hour conversation between the two of us and at the end of it, he [Field] said, 'are you interested in playing this role in a movie that I'm trying to make?' And I said, 'You know, I'm an unemployed actor. Of course I'm interested in any role," Mapother said.

He was handed the script for "In the Bedroom," a movie that had enormous potential but no financial backing in 1999.

Mapother worked on "Mission: Impossible 2" only to receive a phone call from Field in the spring of 2000.

"We've got the money. We're going to make the movie. Are you still interested?" the director said.

Without hesitation, Mapother said yes. Of course, the producers of the film weren't as optimistic about Field's decision to cast Mapother in the role of Richard Strout, the abusive ex-husband who acts as a catalyst for the entire film.

"Todd fought for me. He said, 'This is the best guy for

the role.' And he drew a line in the sand and he got me the role," Mapother said.

Field's unwavering certainty has a familiar tone; in 1972, the career of an unknown actor named Al Pacino was launched after director Francis Coppola Ford fought the produc-"The of ers Godfather" for the actor's inclusion. Mapother said that Field always tells people that Richard's character was the first role

"Something about me sparked the thought of this character Richard," Mapother said. "Considering the way the movie turned out and the fellow cast members, it was daunting now in retrospect."

Those fellow cast



William Mapother '87 (right) shares the screen with Academ Mapother has had roles in other big name movies such as "Al

ex-wife, Natalie, and the highly regarded British actor Tom Wilkinson as Dr. Matt Fowler. They were joined by Nick Stahl as Frank, Fowler's son. "In the Bedroom" is an emotionally charged story that centers on Mr. and Mrs. Fowlers, who are forced to confront the schism that is slowly developing in their marriage. Their quiet existence is thrown into turmoil when Frank starts dating the recently separated Natalie. Natalie's inability to completely detach herself

members turned out to be five-time Academy Award

nominee Sissy Spacek as Mrs. Ruth Fowler, Academy

Award winner Marissa Tomei as Richard's soon-to-be

her two lovers. Richard, who Mapother portrays, is emasculated by the younger, more intelligent replacement lover, Frank. On the screen, Richard is given life by Mapother's

intuitive methodologies.

from Richard escalates the growing conflict between

"I wanted the character to look worn," Mapother said. "It has been 10 to 15 years since graduating high school and he's let himself go to sea. The anxiety and the unhappiness and everything else are going to be manifest in his face and in his body. All the unspent emotion of his life, all his anger and all his frustration is manifest in his being. He's carrying all that around

Mapother deprived himself of sleep, gained weight and added blonde highlights to his hair to give the character a discomfited look.

Kucich introduced Mapother to author's theory of negative capability, which refers "to an artist negating his own ego to make himself invisible in that work.

In addition to the physical renovation, Mapother began practicing Keats' philosophy of negative capability, in which an artist attempts to negate his or her ego to make themselves invisible in themselves invisible in their work, to make the character of Richard seem

In the movie, Richard finds himself at odds with Natalie because he does not know how to operate as an

"He's a very irresponsible person," Mapother said. "He was very successful in high school as an athlete and thought he had the rules down. And obviously, adulthood requires a different approach than high school. He realizes that he doesn't know how and he's angry at himself for the choices he's made to put him-



William Mapother '87 (right) had a small role in "Mission: Impossible 2." The role in "In the Bedroom" came from a relationship he nurtured with director Todd Field.

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Photo courtesy of Miramax

ny Award winner Marissa Tomei (left) in the emotionally charged "In the Bedroom." lmost Famous" and "Vanilla Sky," but "In the Bedroom" is his first big break.

self in the position he's in."

When Frank begins to court Natalie, Richard is consumed by a sense of possession

"He certainly doesn't want anyone else to have her and that's an essential part of his makeup," he said. "There's a [childish quality], an almost infantile aspect to Richard, that, not only exists as an arrested young adulthood from high school, but also as an arrested childhood. He was spoiled as a child, and he has this sense of possession that a four to five year old might have."

Mapother thinks that because of his character's abusive tendencies and occasional frightening attitude, audiences might be quick to label him as the film's antagonist. The actor, however, hopes audiences will also notice the sense of fear that exists in Richard. For instance, some of the character's more negative reactions are the result of threats by Natalie or Frank to separate him from his two children.

According to Mapother, the dynamic characterization of "In the Bedroom" is what should be heralded.

"It's very complex film. It reflects the moral ambiguity we find in life. I don't see Richard as [a] villain by any means. He's flawed like anyone else in the film." Indeed, director Todd Field is able to capture all of Richard's nuances because of Mapother's ego-less performance.

Field extracts that type of performance from the other actors, as well.

"The script and the performances are all carefully constructed to create a complex web of relationships and dynamics as opposed to a usual one-sided characterization," Mapother said. "The movie is about what is not said and what is not shown. It forces the audience to participate in the creation of the story and the characters, both intellectually and imaginatively. Because the lines aren't simply

drawn, it forces the audience to emotionally participate so that they have to sort out these feelings."

Because of this unique interaction with the audience, it is not surprising that the performances are receiving recognition from critic circles and voting organizations such as the American Film Institute and The Golden Globes.

Most importantly, "In the Bedroom" has been a giant steppingstone for Mapother as an individual talent. He has long been overshadowed by his very well-know cousin, Tom Cruise, although he insists the connection has been nothing but a blessing.

"He's as thoughtful and generous and supportive as he's reported to be," Mapother.

Mapother acknowledged that the road to being a screenwriter and actor is not always easy, even with his connection to Cruise. He shared this advice for anyone wishing to follow in similar footsteps.

"If you have to wonder if it is for you, then it is probably not. You have to be passionate and it is going to take a really long time," he said. "My second piece of advice is: exercise every possible talent and skill you have to open as many doors as possible. Get over your fear and get started as soon as you finish school."

Looking back, Mapother is happy he made the sacrifices to be in the position he is in today.

"I can't imagine doing anything more rewarding with my life."

While the road may have been arduous, the path ahead looks to be paved with potential.

"In the Bedroom", starring William Mapother '87, is currently playing at Kerasotes Showplace 16 on 450 W. Chippewa at 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

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Audience learns that 'A Mom's Life' is no day in the park

By SARAH NESTOR Scene Writer

The sound of a baby crying echoes through the theater as Kathryn Grody, who plays the character Mom, turns to the audience. "A Mom's Life," presented at Saint Mary's last week is a story that finds patience, weariness, joy and humor in being a mother. The play is a one-woman show. Grody played both the children and the mom.

Based entirely on her own experience of motherhood in New York City the story begins with how, at 35, Grody and her husband decided to start a family and had their first son, Isaac. Four years later the couple had another son, Giddeon, and the play revolves around a Friday when the boys are 7 and 3.

The inspiration for this play came from people asking Grody if she was working now or just having fun staying home with her children.

Lamenting the changes motherhood has wrecked on her body, she tells of how she used to admire the great white whales, beautiful and graceful in water, but she lives on land.

"I want my body back!" Grody said. Waking early in the morning, being quiet so she doesn't wake her husband, she begins the routine of getting the kids up, dressed and fed. Noting the difference between how she treated the first born when a toddler, singing silly songs to get him dressed and telling the second born to get dressed immediately. She explains that all first children should be born second.

"I'm not sure when a day starts because it seems like one never ends," Grody said.

After finally dropping the eldest son off at school she then has the morning to spend with her youngest son, before the husband was supposed to pick the kids up and take them to the park. Planning a late lunch with her friend, Sue, she was looking forward to a few hours with grown-up company.

Taking Giddeon to the indoor horse track to watch the horses run around the track, Grody talks of the problems with living in New York City and the perks.

Coming home one day they ran into a jazz band that had set up in the street and on the next day that same corner drugs were being sold.

"You'll never know what you'll find in New York City, but global warming and madness are everywhere," she said.

Taking Giddeon home she tires to get him to pick up the puzzle pieces off the floor, that have been out for week. Gid had different ideas and threw the pieces at his mother. Giving this up she then makes bubbles and puts on music so that they dance around the room. After all this it is nap time.

"Nap time, one whole hour to do whatever I want to do with it," Grody said. "Maybe I'll clean up, listen to music I like, actually read the paper the day it came out, or maybe I'll

exercise, not for vanity but for her heart, but what she should really do is just lay there and take a nap."

Giddeon, who wakes up prematurely, surprises his mom and now it is time for lunch. Now it is the problem of what to cook, after all the warnings about chicken being unhealthy, vegetables that are waxy from pesticides and all the other warnings.

"So now you have a Mom who can not only cook anything, but is afraid to cook anything," Grody said.

A phone call from her husband changes Grody's day — a meeting has come up and he can't take the kids to the park after all, but he'll try to be home to tuck the kids in.

"I find it's the dads feeling enormously for the kids and the moms doing enormously for the kids," Grody said.

Picking up Isaac from school the three of them head to the park for the afternoon. There is a moment of stress as Grody loses sight of Giddeon and calls for him helplessly. He is fine and just playing on the slide. Now her time is divided between the boys as she tries to push one on the swing while at the same time pushing the see-saw down for the other.

"After going to the park so many times you get tired of parks and that's why moms take kids to inappropriate places like Bloomingdale's," Grody said.

While getting the kids home, a fight ensues in which Isaac says he is going to protect his little brother from Mom. After all she was just trying to put him in time out after he hit her and his brother.

"I hate these days. These days I just want to pack my bags and run away. And I am a good mother," Grody said.

Isaac and Giddeon crawl over their mother as she lies on the sofa and curls up next to her. Asking her not to run away and telling her they are sorry.

Having a TV picnic for dinner and then getting them tucked into bed is the end of her day.

"The idea of a family is so different from the reality. There is no predicting what kind of parents we will be," Grody said. "This tale doesn't really have an end. My sons are now 16 and 12, but that is a different story altogether."

Grody worked in Los Angeles and then moved to New York and worked on Broadway in Scapino. She has performed in numerous off-Broadway productions, a few films and her television appearances include "The Sunset Gang" and "Execution of Private Slovik" and many after-school specials.

Grody lives in New York City with her children, husband and two huge black labs which she walks through the streets of Manhattan.

"A Mom's Life" was performed at the Little Theatre in Moreau Theatre last Saturday evening.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Connecticut makes statement with upset

Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. Connecticut finally made the Associated Press national ranking last week, barely, at No. 25.

Their nationally televised 100-98 overtime victory at Arizona (No. 12 ESPN/USA Today, No. 10 AP) should earn the Huskies a little more attention.

"It's clearly the biggest statement we've made as a team this year, and it was a great basketball game," Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun said. "We had to draw everything out within ourselves to win."

Connecticut freshmen Emeka Okafor and Ben Gordon shared the spotlight in as entertaining a game as the college sport can offer.

Okafor fell a blocked shot shy of a triple-double with 19 points and 15 rebounds. Gordon matched his career-high with 23 points and had a career-best nine assists as the Huskies (13-4) won their sixth straight.

"This was a classic game," said Connecticut's Taliek Brown, who scored four of his 21 points in overtime. "They would hit 3s, then we would score, and then we would play good defense, and it was just back and forth the whole game."

As terrific as the victory was, it was the second biggest development of the day for Calhoun, whose third granddaughter, Avery Mary, was born at 1:05 a.m., EST, in Hartford.

Calhoun was nearly knocked to the floor by his ecstatic players when the game ended.

"Ben, he jumped on me," Calhoun said. "It's a good thing I've been working out a little. It would be very disappointing to have Avery see her grandfather on the floor at the end of game and be knocked down by one his own players."

Okafor officially has 63 blocks in 17 games. In reality, he has about 16 more, Calhoun said, and should have had a tripledouble.

"He had 12 blocks," Calhoun said. "I'm not sure why everybody misses them. I know if you're playing against him, you don't miss them."

Jason Gardner scored 24 of his 30 points in the second half but was scoreless in the overtime for the Wildcats (13-6), who lost for the second time this week and now plays four consecutive Pac-10 road games against the league's California schools.

"The difference in the game was Okafor," Arizona coach Lute Olson said. "Every time we seemed to have an opportunity to get to the bucket, he was there. He changed the total complexion of the game. He was the most effective player on the court."

Will Bynum missed a wideopen 3-pointer from the baseline for Arizona with two seconds to play in the overtime.

"I thought it was going in," he said. "I was in rhythm. It's a tough loss for the team. It's especially tough for me. I usually make those kinds of shots."

Salim Stoudamire, who scored 20 points, made consecutive 3-pointers to start the overtime and give Arizona a 97-91 lead, but Connecticut outscored the Wildcats 9-1 the rest of the way.

"Today was all about poise and reason," Okafor said. "You come out here and play in this hostile environment and you have to be ready. We kept fighting. We didn't come all these miles just for the nice weather, we came here to win."

Indiana 88, Illinois 57

Indiana's Dane Fife couldn't keep himself from laughing near the end of the game against No. 9 Illinois (No. 8 ESPN/USA Today, No. 9 AP).

He had never seen the Hoosiers shoot so well from the outside in such a big game, and he had never anticipated such a lopsided victory over the Illini.

Fife scored 20 points, and the Hoosiers set a school record with 17 3-pointers in a victory over the Illini, their worst loss in more than a decade.

"Basically, every time we shot, we were like 'Let's go and get on back on defense because we know it's going in,"' Fife said. "I was literally laughing at the end of the game. It was a strange feeling, but it was an amazing feeling."

Indiana (13-6, 6-1) couldn't have scripted it any better.

The Hoosiers made baskets almost at will, hitting 51.6 percent of their shots and 63 percent of their 3-pointers. Illinois managed only two 3s — both coming in the game's final 85 seconds.

They outrebounded the much

taller Illini 42-34, and they took advantage of a raucous crowd, which broke into The Wave and chanted "over-rated" during the last 10 minutes as Illinois (15-5, 4-3) fell further and further behind.

"This is what Indiana basketball is all about, playing good defense, getting open shots and having the fans behind you like this," coach Mike Davis said. "The crowd was so great today, I was excited."

But it was what the Hoosiers did on the court that was so astounding.

The Hoosiers decimated an Illini defense that had allowed opponents to make just 32.2 percent of their 3-pointers, and a league-low 30.6 percent in conference play.

Fife made six 3s, Kyle Hornsby five and Tom Coverdale four. Coverdale finished with 16 points, while Hornsby had 15. In the second half it appeared that the Hoosiers' top three scorers were having their own shooting contest.

"Hornsby had five, Coverdale had four or five and (Jared) Jeffries had a couple," Fife said, although Jeffries had just one 3-pointer. "It probably did look like a competition. We were on fire today."

"We haven't been able to do that in the past and that's a credit to our coaches," Fife said of the Hoosiers' outside shooting. "They make us shoot the ball. They believe in us, probably more than we do."

Arkansas 94, Florida 92

Like a football coach who lost the coin toss, Arkansas basketball coach Nolan Richardson went with his defense first and kept his offense on the bench.

Jannero Pargo sat while Charles Tatum and his teammates set a frantic pace with three steals in the first 89 seconds. Pargo entered the game after four minutes and scored a career-high 35 points, including a 3 that sent the game into overtime and a 14-foot jumper with 2.7 seconds to play, as Arkansas earned a 94-92 victory over Florida (No. 4

ESPN/USA Today, No. 5 AP).

"I didn't start him because I wanted to get defense started early and let him score off the bench, and he did," Richardson said.

"He made some big-time

plays down the stretch," Florida coach Billy Donovan said. "His shot ... to tie the game reminded me of (Brett) Nelson's shot against Tennessee. Now I've been on both ends and I know what it feels like."

When Orien Greene's 3 clanged off the rim at the buzzer to give the Gators their second straight loss, students poured onto the court, celebrating in the middle of the giant red-and-white Razorback hog.

"After I saw that last shot, I thought we'd gotten beat," Richardson said. "He had a great look and the ball was on line."

Pargo, 14-of-45 from long range over his last six games, was 7-of-8 from behind the arc against the Gators (15-3, 4-2 Southeastern Conference). During his slump, Arkansas (11-8, 3-4) had lost four straight.

"He hit every big shot for us today," Arkansas guard Brandon Dean said. "It is not that he was playing bad. He was just taking bad shots."

Arkansas went in front for the first time since early in the game when Michael Jones got loose on the baseline for a 78-77 lead with 1:27 to play. Udonis Haslem, who missed two free throws with the Gators in front 76-74, made four straight to put Florida up 81-78 before Pargo was good from 22 feet with 25 seconds to play.

Fifteen seconds later, Florida's Justin Hamilton — back in action for the first time in almost two weeks because of an injury — missed two free throws. Determined not to let Pargo beat them, the Gators forced Arkansas to look elsewhere and Dionisio Gomez threw up something that didn't have much chance as time ran

In the overtime, Pargo's seventh 3 gave Arkansas an 86-85 lead. After a pass from Pargo, Carl Baker scored from 15 feet. Haslem fouled out when J.J. Sullinger backed in against the smaller Nelson, and Sullinger completed the three-point play to make it 91-87. Hamilton stole the ball from Dean and made two free throws to bring the Gators within 91-90 with 51 seconds to play.

With a 15-second difference between the shot clock and the game clock, Sullinger got the go-ahead from the bench and headed down the lane. He made one of two free throws with 23 seconds left, but Hamilton then went the length of the court for a 92-92 tie with 16 seconds to play. Pargo then got around Hamilton for the game-winner.

Texas Tech 92, Oklahoma 79

Texas Tech doesn't look much like last season's team that finished 9-19 overall and tied for last in the Big 12 with a 3-13 mark.

In this game, the Red Raiders didn't look anything like the team that was blown out by Oklahoma two weeks ago.

Andre Emmett had 26 points and 10 rebounds to lead Tech to a victory over those same sixth-ranked Sooners, its second win in eight days over a Top Ten team.

"I thought our kids did a really good job coming back off of having been beaten as badly up there as we were," first-year Texas Tech coach Bob Knight said, referring to the 98-72 loss at Oklahoma on Jan. 12. "We had to play a lot better today, obviously, than we played up in Norman to be competitive in the game."

The Red Raiders (15-3, 4-2), who beat then-No. 6 Oklahoma State 94-70 last Saturday, went on a 10-4 run early in the second half to take a 50-41 lead over Oklahoma. The Red Raiders went on to lead by as many as 16 points.

It was a much different game from the previous matchup. In the second half, the Sooners (15-3, 4-2) had a cold shooting hand while Tech's heated up. The Red Raiders were 19-for-25 (65.5 percent) in the second half.

Texas Tech took the ball inside throughout the game, outscoring Oklahoma in the paint by 12 points. The Sooners, who led the conference in scoring defense (62.2) entering the game, allowed more than 90 points for the first time this season.

"In the second half we couldn't get them stopped," Sooners coach Kelvin Sampson said. "We didn't score any baskets in transition because we were taking the ball out of the net and walking it up the court. We played uphill all night, and it seemed like they played downhill."

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WTA

Capriati defeats Hingis

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia Jennifer Capriati produced the greatest comeback in a Grand Slam final to overcome Martina Hingis and defend her Australian Open title.

Capriati saved four match points before clinching a 4-6, 7-6 (7), 6-2 victory over Hingis in the championship match at Melbourne Park, the scene last January of her personal comeback from a tumultuous past.

The victory Saturday was her first defense of a major, and no woman has saved more match points and won a Grand Slam final.

The WTA, organizers of the women's tennis tour, said the previous record was set in 1889, when Blanche Bingley Hillyard saved three match points against Lena Rice before winning at Wimbledon.

"I'm not looking for a place in history," Capriati said. "I think I have something already in there. I'm just looking for titles."

Capriati has won three of the last five Grand Slam events. After her breakthrough 6-4, 6-3 championship victory over Hingis at the last Australian Open, Capriati won the French Open and reached the semifinals at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open.

"I had a lot to deal with out there. I had a lot on my shoulders — being the defending champion and being No. 1," Capriati said. "I don't know what's better. The first or to come back from match point and win this."

Capriati was the first topseeded woman to win a Grand Slam title since Hingis won third consecutive Australian title in 1999. The Swiss has lost in the last three Australian Open finals.

"(Hingis) was pretty close to getting the revenge on me, same two sets, same scores,' Capriati said. "I don't know how I pulled it out. On those match points I was really aggressive.

"I just had to really go for it and it paid off."

Capriati said she'd once lost after holding nine match points, so she knew a comeback wasn't impossible.

Both players struggled in the 95-degree heat, sitting in chairs in the shadows at both ends between points, taking refuge in the player's tunnel during bathroom breaks and saturating themselves with water and ice.

"This is the most unique victory, given everything that was going on out there," Capriati said. "This will definitely stand out for sure."

Capriati lost her cool in the second game of the second set and screamed at the chair umpire, demanding that a line judge be replaced after three bad calls.

"I really don't know what I was saying — I was really frustrated at that point, Capriati said of her uncharacteristic outburst. But it gave her some spark.

"Even though I was coming from behind, I always thought I could come back. I never thought about being defeated out there," she said.

Hingis said she should never have let it go to a third."At a set and 4-0 up, you shouldn't give it away," the 21-year-old Swiss said. "Today, Jennifer was just steady until the last point. That was the differ-

Hingis said she was exhausted and didn't want to come back after a 10-minute break following the second set.

She got an early break in the third, but was foot-faulted three times in the fifth, including a double fault at break point to give Capriati the decisive lead.

"I just couldn't move any more ... my head was all over the place," she said. "But after I lost the second set, she had the momentum. I really didn't believe in it anyway, even if I was up 2-1. I knew I wouldn't make it."

Of the foot faults, she said: "I was so tired I couldn't jump off my right leg any more."

Capriati had 34 errors in the first two sets but just five in

the third set.

She came back from 1-5 to 4-5 in the first set, but then lost her serve.

In the second, she slipped to 0-4 before saving three match points — at 3-5 and 5-6 — to force a tiebreaker.

Capriati survived another match point at 6-7 in the tiebreaker and evened it at one set apiece when Hingis skewed a backhand wide.

After closing the 2-hour, 10minute decider with a running cross-court forehand, she dropped her racket, ran over to her father. Stefano, in the stands, blew kisses to the crowd and shook her head in apparent disbelief.

"I couldn't believe finally that I won," she said.

Hingis, disconsolate, slumped into a courtside chair with a towel over her face after the match.

"Jennifer was just too good for me," she said. "I don't know whether to be happy or cry about it."

Capriati, who earned \$520,000 for the title, made it to the French Open semifinals in 1990 at age 14 and won the Olympic gold medal at Barcelona two years later. But at 17, she dropped off the tour for 2 1/2 years and her personal problems made head-

Her initial demise coincided with Hingis' rise to No. 1.

Hingis became the youngest women's Grand Slam event champion when she won the 1997 Australian Open at age

She also won Wimbledon and the U.S. Open that year and reached the final of the French. But her only other titles came in 1998 and '99 at Melbourne Park.

Despite that, she held the No. 1 ranking for a total of 209 weeks, including a 73week continuous stretch that ended last October when she had ankle surgery.

ATP

Johansson takes Australian Open

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia After one of his earlier victories, Thomas Johansson described himself as uninter-

When he finally reached a Grand Slam final, on his 25th try, he was dazzling.

Johansson used heavy serves and combinations of top spins, slices, flat drives and lethal drop shots to break down Marat Safin's power game, winning the Australian Open 3-6, 6-4, 6-4, 7-6 (4).

The low point of Safin's bad day on his 22nd birthday came in the final tiebreaker, when Johansson slugged a backhand crosscourt passing shot that left him sprawling, and trailing 4-0.

Safin rallied from 1-6 to 4-6 and then drew Johansson in with a drop shot — but then lobbed long, giving the 16thseeded Swede the \$520,000 winner's check.

"I wished that it was going out. I felt that it could have hit the line," Johansson said.

"You cannot compare anything with this. You've dreamt about it. I've seen it on TV but I never thought I was going to be standing there on court."

Johansson acknowledged one problem on his way to victory.

"I was close to missing the match because my coach forgot to call a car. We had to get a taxi," he told the crowd of about 15,000 at the end.

Publicly wishing Safin a happy birthday, Johansson added: "He's turning 22 and I'm 27. I'm almost over the hill. I feel old here.

"I was lucky to win today." Safin, who beat Pete Sampras to win the 2000 U.S. Open, told Johansson it was important to "enjoy it as much as you can."

The Russian said the second set changed the match completely.

"I didn't feel comfortable on the court today," Safin added.

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"He was overpowering me from the baseline. It's very unusual for me, somebody playing the backhand better than me.

"He was on fire."

Safin suggested that the dozens of Swedish fans in the crowd also gave Johansson confidence.

Johansson made few mistakes after losing serve on the first game of the match to give the Russian the only break he needed to take the

Double faults hurt the ninth-seeded Safin in the service breaks that cost him the second and third sets.

In the second, Johansson reached deuce on a drop and lob combination. Four points later, after a double fault, Safin hit a backhand into the net and the Swede had a break for 2-1.

In the third, Johansson started the seventh game with a drive and drop-shot combination, and gained a break for 4-3 when Safin double faulted on the last point.

In six other games in the match, Safin had to save break points to hold.

Johansson started the fourth set with a break on errors by Safin, and had a break point for 3-0. But Safin held and then broke for 2-2 with a backhand winner down the line.

At 6-1 in the final tiebreaker, Safin saved three match points with a forehand winner, an unreturnable serve and a miss by Johansson before his lob went slightly

Unlike in the women's final Saturday, when defending champion Jennifer Capriati labored in 95-degree heat to overcome Martina Hingis, the men played under generally gray skies with temperatures no higher than 81.

Both served at up to 130 mph, with Johansson winning the battle of aces 16-13.

A lustily cheering band of blue-and-yellow-clad Swedes greeted most of Johansson's aces with a chant ending in "We like it!"

Both players had to come back after trailing 2-1 in sets in their semifinal matches.

After needing only 28 minutes in his quarterfinal when Wayne Ferreira pulled out with an abdominal strain, Safin rebounded after a 50minute rain delay for a 6-7 (5), 7-6 (4), 3-6, 6-0, 6-2 over seventh-seeded Tommy Haas. He ousted Sampras in the fourth round.

Johansson beat No. 26 Jiri Novak 7-6 (5), 0-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4. His best previous Grand Slam results were reaching the U.S. Open quarterfinals in 1998 and 2000.

In remarks here about why tennis was fading in popularity in Sweden, he said, "Look at me. I'm not interesting."

Safin had back problems in early 2001 but reached the quarterfinals at Wimbledon and the semifinals at the U.S. Open, where he lost to Sampras. At Wimbledon, he lost to eventual champion Goran Ivanisevic.

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NFL

Bledsoe steps in, leads Pats to Super Bowl

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

Drew Bledsoe never expected to be a backup at this stage of his career. The New England Patriots never expected he would be the one to take them back to the Super Bowl.

Bledsoe replaced an injured Tom Brady and led the Patriots to a 24-17 upset of the Pittsburgh Steelers in the AFC championship game.

It wasn't a perfect performance by the quarterback who lost his job to Brady after being injured Sept. 23 in the season's second game. And Bledsoe got plenty of help from Troy Brown, who returned a punt 55 yards for a touchdown and was the middle man on a 60-yard return of a blocked field goal that put New England ahead 21-3 early in the third quarter.

Bledsoe, a three-time Pro Bowl selection who turns 30 next month, did what few backups could do in a championship game — enter with the experience and arm of one of the better starters in the NFL.

"I've done this for a long time and at times at a pretty high level," said Bledsoe, who signed a 10-year, \$103 million deal in the offseason. "I felt confident coming out. I've been working hard and preparing for this exact scenario.

The Steelers had their chances late in the game, but Kordell Stewart threw two interceptions in the final three minutes after Pittsburgh had cut into an 18-point deficit and trailed only by a touchdown.

Pittsburgh running back Jerome Bettis, who returned after being out eight weeks with a groin injury, carried nine times for just 8 yards, forcing Stewart to try to carry the team.

Bledsoe filled that role well for the Patriots late in the first half when Brady went down with an injured left leg. Four plays later he threw an 11-yard TD pass to David Patten to give the Patriots a 14-3 lead.

It was New England's only offensive touchdown of the

In addition to the TD pass, Bledsoe put the Patriots in position for Adam Vinatieri's fourth-quarter field goal and allowed his team to hold the ball enough to avoid constant pressure late in the game as the Steelers tried to complete their comeback.

"You need a couple of quarterbacks in this league," said coach Bill Belichick, who added Brady could have gone back in the game. "Sooner or later you might need them and I'm glad we had them today."

Brady said he felt fine but didn't know yet if he could play next week.

New England, which went from 5-11 in 2000 to 11-5 this

regular season, heads to its third Super Bowl, in New Orleans next Sunday. The Patriots also went in 1986 and 1997, and both times they lost in New Orleans — 46-10 to the Chicago Bears, and 35-21 to the Green Bay Packers with Bledsoe at quarterback.

Bledsoe got a lot of help Sunday from some old-timers, like linebackers Willie McGinest and Ted Johnson, who shut down Pittsburgh's running backs to just 19 total yards.

Stewart was 24-of-42 for 255 yards but also threw three interceptions — the last two by Tebucky Jones and Lawyer Milloy that helped seal the Patriots' victory.

Pittsburgh now has lost three of four AFC championship games under coach Bill Cowher. All the losses were at home and all came with the Steelers favored. They were nine-point favorites in this game.

Bledsoe, expected to be traded after the season, was hospitalized with bleeding in his chest from a hit in the Week 2 game against the New York

When he was ready to return, the Patriots were 5-5, but Belichick decided to stick with Brady, a second-year player who had never started a game before this season.

Brady led the Patriots to seven straight victories before Sunday in what has become a charmed season for a team few people gave any chance of even making the playoffs.

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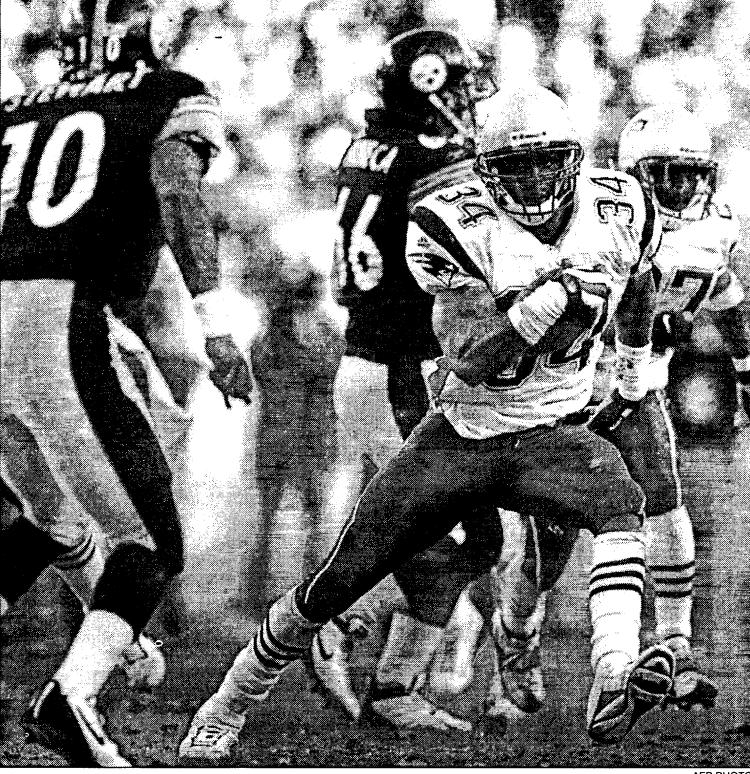
Rams 29, Eagles 24

They call themselves "The Greatest Show on Earth." While the St. Louis Rams aren't always great, they were certainly too much for the NFC to handle.

Now let's see if the New England Patriots can stop them in the Super Bowl.

Marshall Faulk rushed for a career playoff-high 159 yards and scored two touchdowns to lead the Rams to a victory over the gritty Philadelphia Eagles in the NFC championship game.3

"I couldn't ask for anything better than to go back to New Orleans and play in front of my friends and family," said Faulk, the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year three straight seasons and a native of the Big Easy.



New England safety Tebucky Jones attempts to elude Pittsburgh quarterback Kordell Stewart after intercepting Stewart's pass in Sunday's AFC Championship game. The Patriots won 24-17.

became the focal point for the Rams (16-2) in the second half — when he delivered his two 1yard scoring runs.

"We felt to win this game, we had to get that ball to Marshall," coach Mike Martz said. "I think what everybody thinks — he is just a great player. ... He took over the ballgame in certain situations."

As did league MVP Kurt Warner, Isaac Bruce and a defense that has developed a knack for big plays. When they all came alive in the second half, the Rams earned their second trip to the Super Bowl in three years. Two years ago, St. Louis beat Tennessee for its first Super Bowl title.

The trip south didn't look

It won't be easy for the likely early in the game as the Patriots to slow Faulk, who Eagles' stingy defense kept the off-balance Philadelphia took a 17-13 lead at halftime. But in the second half, Warner, Faulk and Bruce, Warner's favorite receiver, were too much.

> Bruce had eight receptions for 84 yards, including a 5-yard touchdown. Warner finished 22-of-33 for 212 yards.

> They did it against a defense that hadn't allowed more than 21 points all season and led the league in red-zone efficiency.

"Offensively, they hadn't really stopped us," Warner said. "They stopped us from getting into the end zone early, so we wanted to continue to do what we did in the first half and make sure we finished off some drives."

The Rams turned the game around in the third quarter by dominating the clock and scoring 10 points. They ran 22 of the 28 plays in the period, getting Jeff Wilkins' third field goal, a 41-yarder, and one of Faulk's touchdowns.

With his helmet ripped off on the play, Faulk fell into the end zone and the raucous crowd sensed the Eagles were through. So did the St. Louis defense, which forced a second and third straight three-andout series.

"You have to give our offense a lot of credit. They took over the third quarter, allowed us to get fresh," All-Pro cornerback Aeneas Williams said. "That gave us a chance to make



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TRACK AND FIELD

Irish men, women defeat Michigan State

By DAVID COOK Sports Writer

Sorry Andy Lixey. Eric Morrison is for real.

Freshman 800-meter specialist Eric Morrison soundly defeated All-American Andy Lixey from Michigan State Friday night in arguably the most exciting race of Notre Dame's 96.5-61.5 dual meet victory.

Lixey, who placed first in the 1.000-meter run last week at the Missouri Invitational, was leading the pack for most of the race with Morrison right on his tail. Then in the final 200 meters, Morrison put on the afterburners and defeated Lixey by a convincing 10 meters.

Morrison finished at 1:51.86, a personal best, with Lixey finishing in third at 1:53.31. Notre Dame's Kevin Somok who barely edged out Lixey took second place.

Freshmen Dwight Ellick was also turning heads, winning the 60-meter dash in his first collegiate race. Ellick's time of 6.93 seconds qualified him for the Big East Indoor Championships in late February.

"I was real pleased with Dwight," said Irish sprints coach John Millar. "To come out after a week of practice and run as well as he did was really encouraging, and hopefully we can continue to improve on that."

Also contributing to the Irish victory were two returning starters, Tom Gilbert and Quill Redwine. Both athletes were not able to compete in the triangular meet last week, but Gilbert came back and won both the long jump and the 200-meter dash. He won the long jump with a distance of 23 feet 5 inches and the 200-meter dash in 22.18.

Redwine, who is still recovering from pain in his legs, won the triple jump with a distance of 46 feet 4 inches. He also took third in the high jump right behind freshman Ryan Mineburg, who jumped 6-7.

Luke Watson proved once again why he is an All-American, decisively winning the mile run with a time of 4:10.06, a full 3 seconds in front of second place Sean Zanderson. Notre Dame took the first four spots in the mile run.

Rounding off Notre Dame's impressive showing was Nick Setta's victory in the 500-meter run. Setta ran a 1:04.62, a full second better than his time last week when he qualified for the Big East championships.

"Setta improved on where he was last week," said Millar. "He really showed his ability in that event. It really goes well for us later on in the year when we get to the Big East championships."

Overall, the men's track and field team posted a strong 10 wins in 15 events against the potent Michigan State team.

The Notre Dame women's team was also flexing its muscles, winning the dual meet against Michigan State, 94.5-

The strong sprinting contingent consisting of Ayesha Boyd, Kymia Love, Kristen Dodd, and Liz Grow combined for a total 4 victories and 29 points in the

"We have a real solid nucleus with Liz, Ayesha, Kristen and Kymia," said Millar. "It allows us the luxury of allowing the freshmen to develop and not have to feel like they have to go out there and have the pressure to perform."

Millar is referring to Latasha Steele, Tricia Floyd, and Tiffani Gunn who continue to show improvement and add strength to the Irish sprinting corps. For the second week in a row, Gunn has won the 60-meter hurdles.

Distance runner Jennifer Handley was in top form on Friday, decisively winning the 3000-meter run with a time 9:54.30. She finished a full 15 seconds in front of second place Jennifer Fibuch.

Freshman Lauren King won the 800-meter run in 2:13.35 with classmate Kerry Meagher finishing in third less than a second behind a Spartan runner.

Finally, the women's field athletes were in top form. Jennifer Kearney took first place in the



Irish junior Jamie Volkmer approaches the bar in her vault Friday in the meet against Michigan State. The Irish defeated the Spartans 96.5-61.5.

high jump with Kim Utterson and Kaitlin Meiser finishing in second and third. VanWeelden won the pole vault, and Jamie Volkmer won the women's triple jump.

Next week is the highly competitive Meyo Invitational, and marks the beginning of the meat of the indoor track and field season. These wins on Friday provide a strong springboard for the track and field teams as they get ready for this coming Friday's invitational.

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Women

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The ball arched high into the air, taking a quick bounce off the backboard before falling through the net to give the Irish a 30-24 halftime advan-

"I thought the half-court shot gave us a lot of momentum," McGraw said. "Alicia just said she had a great sense of the clock in her head.'

Those three points were Ratay's first of the game, but they wouldn't be her last. After a lay-up and 3-pointer by Hokies' forward Lena Kublina closed the gap to 30-29, McGraw called a 30-second timeout to regroup her offense.

Batteast responded with a lay-up to increase the Irish lead to three. Then, after a missed shot by Chrystal Starling on the other end, Ratay took a Wicks pass behind the 3-point line, and put up the shot with Sarah Hicks defending. The shot went in, and Hicks got called for the foul. Ratay sank the free throw for her second four-point play of the season.

Virginia Tech came within three points just once the rest of the way, as Ratay and Batteast provided all the offense. In fact, other than two Le'Tania Severe free throws, Batteast and Ratav combined for 32 of Notre Dame's 34 second-half points.

"We were really only calling plays for those two for the majority of the second half," McGraw said. "We felt like we

wanted the ball in one of their hands almost all the time with the game that close. There were opportunities for other people to score, they just weren't making their shots.'

Batteast in particular looked comfortable with the ball in her hands. After making just two of 10 attempts from the field against Connecticut, the freshman hit nine of 17 attempts from the field and seven of eight from the free-throw line.

"In this game I tried get a little closer to the basket and I was able to finish my shot," Batteast said. "When you get off to a good start, it's usually better."

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HOCKEY

Irish split weekend series with Miami

By MATT ORENCHUK Sports Writer

This past weekend the Notre Dame hockey team continued its trend of playing well on Friday night, and then not playing so well on Saturday. The Irish defeated the Miami (Ohio) Redhawks on Friday 4-3 when Aaron Gill scored with 50 seconds left in overtime. Then Notre Dame came out on Saturday and got pasted 7-2.

However, the split did keep the Irish in the CCHA race. Currently Notre Dame sits in seventh place in the CCHA with 18 points, tied with the Redhawks.

Friday's game was a backand-forth battle. The Irish started quickly with two firstperiod goals by Evan Nielsen and Mike Chin.

Miami finally got on the board with nine seconds left in the second when Evan Cheverie put one past Irish goalie Morgan Cey on the powerplay.

In the third period the game opened up. Miami tied the score at two at 12:31 into the period on a goal by Greg Hogeboom. The tie did not stand up long though. Chin put the Irish ahead again just 25 seconds after the Miami score.

The Redhawks weren't done, though. Hogeboom came through again for Miami when he scored at 16:02 to tie the game again.

The 3-3 tie would stand through the rest of regulation and 4:10 of overtime. Then Gill got a pass from Connor Dunlop off the face-off which he promptly put in the net for the game winner.

On Saturday the Irish couldn't continue the momentum they built in Friday's win. Despite out shooting the Redhawks 42-31, Notre Dame only managed two goals and gave up seven. Five of the seven goals came from the Miami line of Mike Kompon, Derek Edwardson and Nick Jardine.

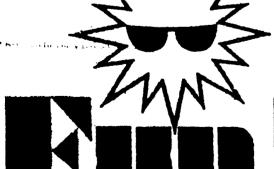
Cey started the game for the Irish, but didn't finish it. Head Coach Dave Poulin pulled Cey after he gave up three firstperiod goals. Senior Jeremiah Kimento finished the game, but he wasn't much better. Kimento yielded four more goals for the final tally of seven. Scoring for Notre Dame were Chin and Yan Stastny.

Chin had an excellent weekend, with three goals and an assist to continue his breakout year. He now has career highs in goals, assists and points.

The Irish return home this weekend to take on Alaska-Fairbanks.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Men split weekend matches in dual meet

By RACHEL BIBER Sports Writer

Starting the season with hopes of a spotless dual-match record, the seventh-ranked Notre Dame men's tennis team lost that goal by losing to No. 32 Minnesota. The Irish recovered to defeat No. 68 William and Mary to improve to 3-1 on the season.

Knowing the battle against Minnesota on Friday would be tough, the Irish felt the pain of the 4-3 loss to the Gophers. After rallying from a 3-1 deficit, Notre Dame nearly pulled off a miraculous comeback before finally being

"It was a bitter pill to swallow," Irish head coach Bob Bayliss said. "But, they're a good team. They're going to be I think, [ranked] 10 to 15 in the country. And they're awfully tough at home. We did not play a bad match. We are disappointed, but we played really hard."

The match looked to be starting off in the favor of the Irish when the doubles pairing of Ashok Raju and James Malhame raced to an 8-2 win at No. 3 doubles. The Gophers turned their play around and swept the remaining two doubles matches. They clinched the doubles point in a tenuous tiebreak in the No. 1 doubles

match, as the sixth-ranked duo of Casey Smith and Javier Taborga fell to Minnesota's Harsh Mankad and Thomas Haug 9-8 (7-4).

"Doubles was extremely close," Bayliss said. "Our third team, Malhame and Raju, played great. No. 1 doubles was close. We had a number of break-point opportunities we didn't convert on.

"A lot of luck was involved. Sometimes they would hit a good shot or make a good first serve, and on several break points we hit the top of the net by an eighth of an inch, which would have made the difference in winning or losing the match, basically."

The Gophers extended the lead to 2-0 when Notre Dame's 83rd-ranked Luis Haddock-Morales fell at No. 3 singles, but Aaron Talarico closed the gap to 2-1 with a 6-3, 6-2 win at No. 4 against Minnesota's Chris Wettengel. With a loss from 95th-ranked Taborga at No. 2 and wins from Matt Scott at No. 5 and Brian Farrell at No. 6 the score was knotted at 3-3. However the Gophers won the match when Notre Dame's 88th-ranked Smith fell at No. 1 singles 7-6 (4), 6-4, to Mankad - a player ranked second in singles nationally.

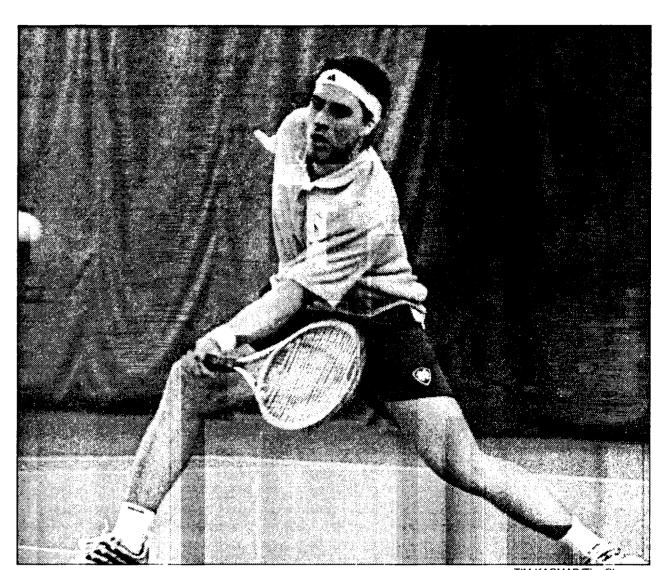
Following the tough loss to Minnesota, Bayliss was worried about his team's mental focus against the Tribe of William

and Mary on Saturday, and soon found his team on the verge of upset before it pulled together for a 5-2 win.

"The William Mary and match started off almost like a rout. We won the doubles point very easily, and right away we were up 3-0," said Bayliss. "They're very young team — talented, but young. They really fought hard. There was a point when I was afraid we were going to actually lose

The Irish swept the doubles against the Tribe, get-

ting wins from the pairings of Smith and Taborga, Raju and Malhame, and Talarico and Haddock-Morales at the respective Nos. 1, 2, and 3 positions. Notre Dame got straight-set victories from Taborga, Talarico and Scott in



Senior Javier Taborga returns a shot in a match earlier this year. The men's tennis team lost to Minnesota, but defeated William and Mary over the weekend.

> singles, while Haddock-Morales pulled off a victory in three sets. The only losses for the Irish came in three-set comeback wins for William and Mary against Farrell and Brent D'Amico.

The challenging road sched-

ule continues for the Irish this week as they head for Durham, N.C., to battle the 10th-ranked Duke Blue Devils on Tuesday.

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ND Women's Tennis

Irish nearly perfect in pair of home victories

By COLIN BOYLAN Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's tennis team didn't have to wait very long to jump out to their first 2-0 start since the 1998 season.

Saturday at the Eck Tennis Pavilion, the Irish hosted season-opening matches against Illinois State and Northern Iowa and won both contests by a final score of 6-1.

Although he anticipates a great deal of success for this season's squad, head coach Jay Louderback was pleasantly surprised by how quickly the team was able to shake off the rust from its winter layoff.

"I thought we played very well, especially for the first two matches," said Louderback.

"It's tough when you have to play two in one day and I thought we really showed some toughness out there."

The Irish finished off their morning opponent, 59th-ranked Illinois State in quick fashion. All three doubles teams posted solid wins to earn the doubles point convincingly.

Seniors Becky Varnum and Lindsey Green provided a highlight when they earned a tight 9-7 victory against Alesia Mikalayeva and Liina Suurvarik, who had beaten the Irish in preseason play.

"I think that victory gave us a momentum," Louderback.

From that point on, the Irish made quick work of their opponent in singles competition, winning five out of six matches and not allowing any match to last longer than two sets.

The Irish carried that momentum into their afternoon match against Northern Iowa, where the team once again rattled off five of six singles victories to clinch the match before doubles play even began.

When all the dust had settled. sophomore Alicia Salas had emerged as the surprising hero of the day's competition. The No. 5 singles player thoroughly dominated her opponents in singles play winning by scores of 6-0, 6-0 and 6-1, 6-0 respectively. Meanwhile, she posted two convincing doubles wins while partnering with Varnum and Nina Vaughan.

"Alicia has been playing really well," said Louderback. "She's shown huge improvement over last year and is going to be a very big factor in our success this year."

Equally impressive was the quality of depth the Irish boasted in singles play. At the four, five and six singles spots, Katie Cunha, Salas and Sarah Jane Connelly all swept their opponents without dropping more than four games in any one set.

Louderback believes that this depth will make the Irish difficult to beat when tougher competition comes to town.

About the only blemish in the team's weekend came in the form of some injury news concerning sophomore Caylan Leslie. Leslie, who suffered a

shoulder injury over the winter, is now presumed to be out for at least three months and perhaps longer.

"It's quite possible that Caylan will out for the entire spring," said Louderback.

The Irish hope their hot streak will continue into their next match against Michigan this Wednesday. The match will be played at 5 p.m. in Ann Arbor, Mich.

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ND SWIMMING AND DIVING

Irish swimmers defeat Villanova in dual meet

♦ Women defeat Villanova to remain undefeated for the season

By SHEILA EGTS Sports Writer

Standing on her starting block waiting for sound of the starting gun, Marie Labosky glanced to the right at her opponent, Villanova junior and 2000 Olympian Maddy Crippen. Facing off against an Olympian would intimidate most swimmers, but not Labosky.

It wasn't the first time these two swam side by side in the same pool. Labosky has been swimming in the same pool as Crippen since eighth grade and trained with her in high school for two years at Germantown Academy in Pennsylvania. Although they practiced together during Christmas break, Crippen and Labosky last competed in the 400 individual medley at the 2001 Big East Championships, where Labosky finished second to Crippen by five seconds.

"Since eighth grade, I've look up to Maddy and watched her times just thinking about how awesome it would be to even swim close to that fast," said Labosky. "She's just an amazing athlete and I love swimming against her."

As she plunged into the water on Saturday, having fun with her friend and rival was the only thing on Labosky's mind. By the end of the race, she was having even more fun than anticipated as she stared up at her career best, a NCAA qualifying time of 4:14.47 on the scoreboard.

"I really didn't expect to qualify or swim that fast tonight," Labosky said Saturday, after finishing only fractions of a second behind

Crippen at 4:14.34. Labosky thought that Crippen wasn't really racing her hardest since Crippen didn't pull ahead on the final laps of breaststroke, her strongest stroke.

"Maddy was tired because she's been training so hard, but it was a fun race," she said. "I could feel her in the lane beside me, the momentum was there."

But Crippen admitted she was giving it her all against Labosky.

"I didn't think we would go that fast, but I was definitely racing," said Crippen, whose finishing time shattered the old pool record of 4:19.07 in the 400 IM. "It's always nice to have your name on a record board somewhere."

The mental game of swimming against Crippen makes the race engaging, according to Labosky, who looks forward to meeting her again in late-February at the Big East Championships.

"I know swimming this race against her helped me qualify for the NCAAs," said Labosky. "I'm so excited to see her again at Big East. I know we'll push each other even faster."

Key performances from sophomore Lisa D'Olier, senior Kelly Hecking and senior Carrie Nixon led the women to a strong win against Villanova, maintaining their season-long winning streak and bumping their record up to 8-0. D'Olier swam season-best times and won the 100 and 200 butterfly, Hecking placed first in the 100 and 200 backstroke, and Nixon claimed wins in the 50 and 100 freestyle.

The women swim next on Thursday against 16thranked Northwestern in Rolfs Aquatic Center at 5

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An Irish butterflier competes Saturday in the dual meet against Villanova. The Notre Dame women's squad advanced to 8-0 with the victory. The men's squad also defeated Villanova in the meet.

♦ Irish never look back after winning first six events against Wildcats

By SHEILA EGTS Sports Writer

The men's swimming and diving team dominated Villanova on Saturday, marking its first win in history against Villanova in a dual meet. The Irish set the tone for victory early in the meet with first place finishes in the first six events.

The opening event starred the relay team of Jason Fitzpatrick, David Horak, Frank Krakowski and Drew Pittman who took first place with a time of 1:35.63. In second was the team of Dean Wolf, Mike Koss, Adam Cahill and Austin Anderson for the Irish at 1:36.48

"The relays clearly got us started in the direction," said head coach Tim Welsh regarding the Irish's sweep of the relays. "We talked about those

relays prior to the meet and wanted to focus on taking charge immediately."

Senior Jonathan Pierce clinched another first place for the Irish in the 1650-yard freestyle, posting a seasonbest time of 15:59.35.

Pierce is entering the Big East competition hoping to place comparably with his finishes in the past three years. He placed fourth last year in the 1650-yard freestyle and won the event his freshman and sophomore years, swimming a personal-best and school record time of 15:33.16 in 2000.

"Eric [Limkemann of Pittsburgh] will be at Big East, and he currently holds the best conference time," said Welsh. "Jonathan will be in the position of chasing him, but he is putting a lot of attention into going out with a fabulous Big East meet."

Freshman Matt Bertke was a big point scorer for the Irish, taking first place in both the 200- and 500-yard freestyle. Coming off an impressive final year of high school when he earned All-America honors and an individual state championship in the 200-yard freestyle, Bertke will face a different level of competition going into the Big East.

"Since I've never swam at the Big East, I am not sure what to expect. I am just going for times to meet my personal goals and I see what the competition is like when I get there," said Bertke.

Junior Michael Flanagan put up points for the Irish, swimming his way to victory in the 400 IM with a season-best, Big East qualifying time of 4:08.86.

Other first place finishes included junior Jason Colettis in the 100-yard backstroke, junior John Hudson in the 200 backstroke, senior Mike Koss in the 100-yard breaststroke, and sophomore J.R. Teddy in the 200 butterfly.

Junior Andy Maggio also won both diving events.

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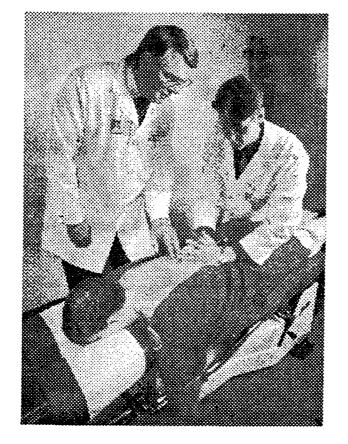
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SMC BASKETBALL

Belles drop third in a row despite Blair's 21

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's basketball team posted its third loss in a row Saturday, despite senior forward Anne Blair's lighting up the court with her game-high 21 points. With no other shooters, though, the Belles lost to Albion, 61-41, extending their road-losing streak to five.

The Belles beat the Britons at home Jan. 2, but could not repeat their success at Albion's Kresge Gymnasium. Albion, boosted by a win against Hope that halted the 39-game winning streak of the Flying Dutch, came out intense from the start of Saturday's game. The Britons had run up 11 points before the Belles could score their first basket.

"We beat [Albion] early in the season. We knew what to expect, but they've gone on a rampage and have done great," said senior Jamie Dineen, who finished the afternoon with four rebounds and no points. "[After their win against previously undefeated Hope], we knew that they'd be pretty pumped for the game."

The Belles were confident about this game also — partially because they had already beat the Britons this season and partially because of a much-welcomed day of rest coach Suzanne Smith gave to her players last Thursday.

"It was helpful to have a

day of rest and reflection and your own time to get caught up on everything," Dineen said. "We came back on Friday really fired up for practice."

According to Dineen, that momentum carried into the game, but one of Smith's concerns has been that the Belles seem to lose their intensity as the game progresses. At the end of the first half, Saint Mary's was down by just seven points, 31-24. But in the second half, the Belles were outscored 30-17. Overall, they were out-rebounded 40-27.

"I think we came out with a lot of intensity, but I don't know if we kept getting the ball to the people that were on fire," said freshman starter Katie Boyce, who had six points and nine rebounds. "We have to recognize who is hitting that night and get the ball to that person."

Saturday it seemed that Blair was the only one on fire. Boyce believes said the Belles did not get the ball to Blair enough or she would have scored even more points.

None of the Belles scored half as many points as their captain. Freshman Emily Creachbaum was second on the team in scoring with six points.

"Offensively we've been struggling for the past two games," Dineen said.

Other individuals besides Blair helped keep the Belles in the game during the first half and the start of the second. Sophomore Katie Miller, whose tenacious play and reliable 3-point shooting has been a great asset for the Belles in recent games, scored Saint Mary's only 3pointer of the night and finished with a game-high eight assists. Creachbaum had a game-high nine rebounds.

Saint Mary's shot 34 percent from the floor and 6.2 percent from beyond the arc. This is the second time this season the Belles have attempted 16 3-pointers and made only one.

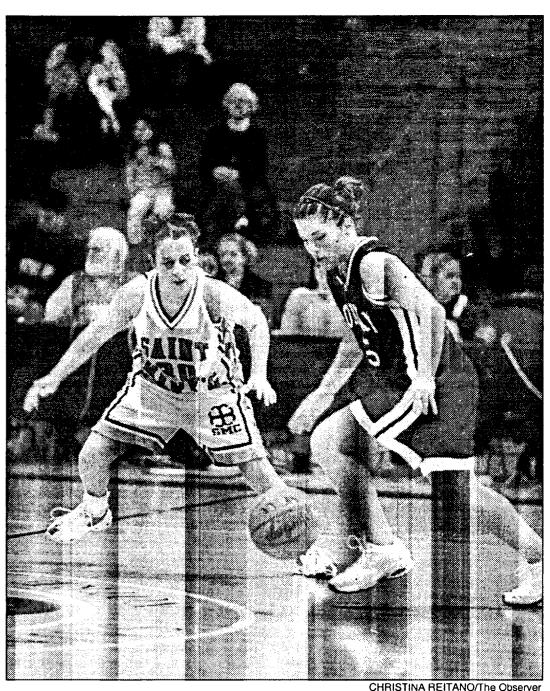
Albion, led by Amanda Yeager's 14 points and Stacey Supanich's 12, was 28-57 from the floor and 5-15 from 3-point range.

The Belles had been approaching this game from the angle of a new beginning, as it was the first contest of the second round of conference play.

"It was kind of like a new start because we had already gone through the whole conference one time around," Boyce said. "After the first round, we were [hoping] to begin the second round of our conference with a win."

Although disappointed, the Belles are looking forward to Wednesday night, when they will have a second shot at beating Alma — to which they lost 66-52 in a hard-fought game Jan. 5.

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Freshman Katie Boyce tries to steal the ball away from a Dominican player earlier this year. The Belles lost to Albion 61-41 Saturday.

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Humphrey was the inside force for the Irish. He led all scorers with 16 points and added 12 rebounds.

But the Irish also got production from Jordan Cornette and Tom Timmermans. Cornette grabbed 10 rebounds and chipped in six points, while the 6-foot-11, 263 pound Timmermans played a careerhigh 13 minutes.

After an ugly first half that Brey admitted "probably set the game back 20 years", the Pirates entered the locker room with a 23-22 lead. But a pair of Graves 3-pointers jump-started an Irish run that enabled Notre Dame to pull away from Seton Hall early in the second half.

Graves, replaced by Torrian Jones in the starting lineup Saturday, struggled in the first half. He only scored one point and picked up three fouls. But he hit his first 3-pointer 2:48 into the second half to put the Irish up by four.

Eight minutes later, Graves' second 3-pointer of the night gave the Irish an eight-point lead. Notre Dame never looked back.

The Irish finished 41 percent from the field but just 3-for-14 from behind the 3-point line. Chris Thomas and Graves both picked up 11 points, and Thomas had a team-high five assists.

"We needed [a win]," said Brey. "I was worried about us psychologically if we didn't get this one done here today. Our locker room was excited and happy and celebrating."

Notes

◆Brey didn't say whether or not his decision to move Graves out of the starting lineup would be a permanent one. "I think we'll come back and analyze things tomorrow as a staff," Brey said.

"I really think it's kind of game to game with this group. But you do like a Torrian Jones, a Tom Timmermans, a Jordan Cornette. Right now, whatever you ask out of those guys, you're pretty darn confident with those guys in Big East play right now."

Last season, when Graves and the Irish hit a similar slump in January, Brey replaced Graves with Swanagan in the starting lineup. The results paid off. Graves thrived in the sixth man role and the Irish reeled off an eight-game winning streak.

♦ Swanagan will probably play against Pittsburgh Wednesday night, Brey said after Saturday's game. The senior forward has missed the last two games after re-aggravating an ankle sprain.

"I think if we can get him close, we'll cut him loose," said Brey. "Looking at his eyes in the locker room and watching how he moved around, he's making very good progress."

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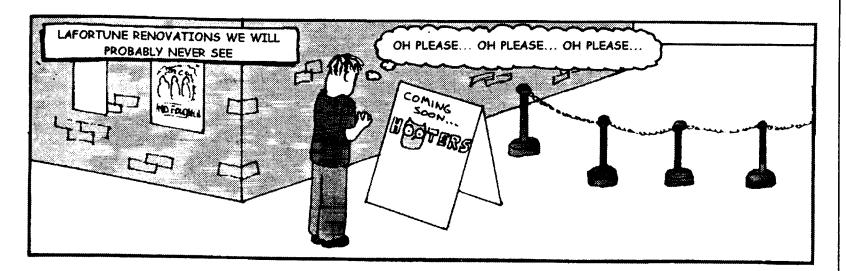
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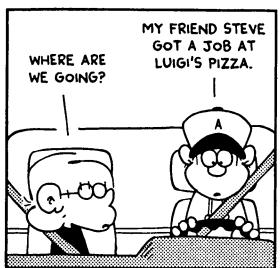
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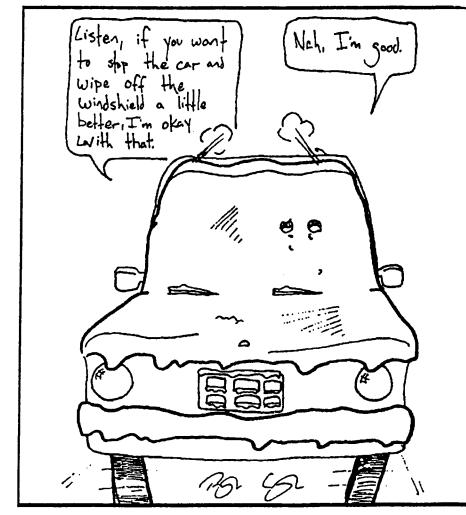
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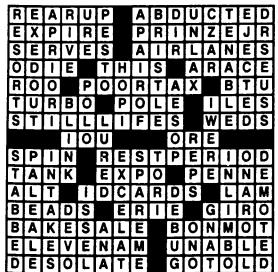


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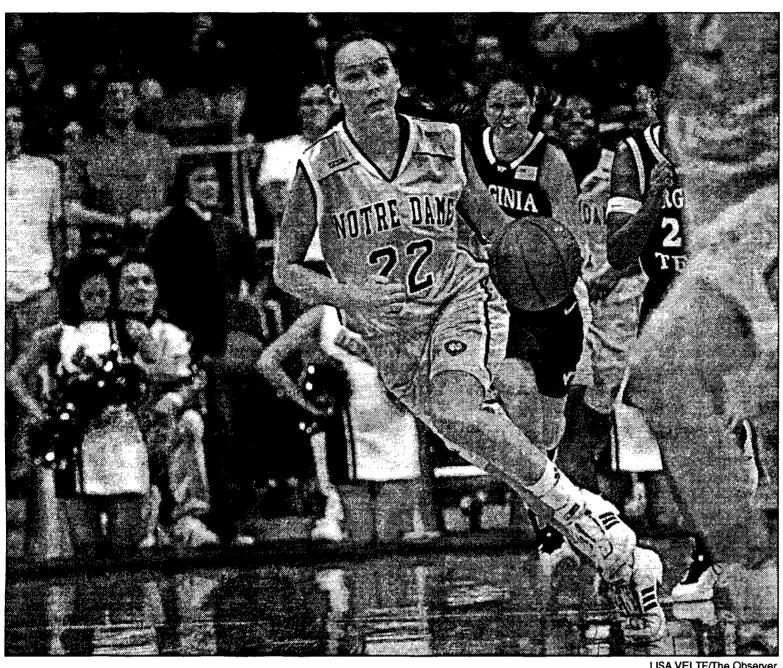
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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish top Hokies at home



Junior guard Alicia Ratay pushes the ball up the court Saturday against Virginia Tech. The Irish defeated the Hokies 64-57 to extend their home winning streak to 47 games.

By NOAH AMSTADTER Sports Editor

1-ranked No. When Connecticut topped Notre Dame by 27 points last Monday, Husky players pointed out that they keyed in on leading scorers Irish Jacqueline Batteast and Alicia Ratay. That defensive plan worked, as the pair combined for just 15 points.

Saturday night, with Notre Dame's 46-game home winning streak at stake against Associated Press No. 16 Virginia Tech, the focus again was on Batteast and Ratay.

And they rose to the chal-

Batteast scored a team-high 26 points while Ratay added 22 — including a half-court buzzer-beater and a four-point play — as the Irish topped the Hokies 64-57. The announced crowd of 8,878 was the fourthlargest Joyce Center attendance mark ever for the women's team.

"Alicia and Jackie just played probably the best games of their seasons so far," Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw said after the game. "Just outstanding on both ends

of the floor. I thought offensively they made so many big shots."

The win against Virginia Tech, also ranked 17th in the ESPN/USA Today poll, was the first of the season for the Irish against a ranked team. The Irish had previously fallen to Michigan. Purdue Connecticut.

"I think it does a lot for our confidence, it does a lot for our RPI and it really does a lot for the NCAA tournament." McGraw said. "That was a win that really finally we look at and we beat a ranked team. That was critical for us."

Batteast came on strong from the start, scoring 13 points in a row as the Irish took a 15-7 lead nine minutes into the ballgame. After two consecutive Kelsey Wicks 3pointers stretched the Irish lead to 21-11, the Hokies came storming back, closing the Irish lead to 27-24 with 1.9 seconds remaining before halftime.

At that mark, Wicks rolled a "ground ball" pass to Ratay, who dribbled twice before letting go at half-court just before the buzzer sounded.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish defense stands tall against Pirates

By ANDREW SOUKUP Associate Sports Editor

It's taken them 19 games, but the Irish have finally discovered the secret to winning games.

Defense.

Notre Dame (13-6, 3-3 in Big East play) held Seton Hall (10-9, 3-4 in Big East play) to just 29 percent shooting from the field as the Irish won 60-51, snapping a three-game losing streak.

"You get to a point in the season where you start to understand things," forward David Graves said. "For us to win, we've gotta play defense."

Both teams had shooting problems early, but Seton Hall's defensive lapses enabled Notre Dame to establish an offensive rhythm in the second half.

Meanwhile, the Irish played solid defense the entire game and broke a five-year-old team record for fewest points allowed in a Big East game.

Seton Hall, a team that relies on its 3-point shooting to win games, shot just 4-for-24 from behind the arc. The

Pirates' top three scorers, Andre Barrett, Darius Lane and John Allen, finished a combined 22 percent from the field.

"We've had bad shooting nights, but this seemed to be contagious," Seton Hall coach Louis Orr said. "On paper, this was probably the worst shooting night we've had."

The Irish limited Barrett, who entered the game averaging a teamhigh 17.9 points per game, to just five points. Notre Dame usually doubleteamed the Seton Hall point guard and he rarely had an open shot. Only Allen finished in double figures for the Pirates. He had 11 points.

"It was the first game that I could remember where if we didn't have a successful offensive possession, it didn't affect us on the other end of the floor," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "We got back and we were mentally tougher about digging in and rebounding."

With Harold Swanagan sidelined for the second consecutive game, Ryan

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Irish center Tom Timmermans drives to the basket Saturday against Seton Hall in his first game back from injury. The Irish defeated the Pirates 60-51.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE

- ◆ ND Women's Basketball vs. Syracuse, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Men's Tennis at Duke, Tuesday, 3 p.m.
- ◆ Men's Basketball vs. Pittsburgh, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

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