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Eldred addresses student concerns

◆ Informal talk covers multiple student issues

By KATIE RAND
News Writer

Speaking as a friend and a mentor, Marilou Eldred, president of Saint Mary's College, addressed students during an informal discussion on Tuesday night to answer any questions or concerns the typical student might have about student life and the College.

"This discussion is a way for us to get to know a person who cares about Saint Mary's just as much, if not more than we do, and whose everyday job is to make sure that our college is well," student trustee Akmaral Omarova said during her introduction.

Eldred began the talk by speaking about her background, telling students about her college experience, the 10 years she spent as a nun and how she ended up as the president of Saint Mary's.

"I never originally set my goal to be a college president. I never wanted to be involved in fundraising, and I knew that college presidents are often very removed from students," Eldred said. "But it was a great move and I'm really happy I did it. I love Saint Mary's and I love being president."

A main issue of focus during the discussion was the Master Plan. Eldred gave students a

briefing of the projects that are in store and spoke about the process it has been to initiate the plan.

"We are really close to having enough money for the student center," Eldred said. "Hopefully the groundbreaking will happen this spring, and it should take less than 18 months to complete."

The student center will include a new dining hall, a copy shop, cyber cafe, lounges, small theater and all of the facilities currently located in Hagggar, including the bookstore, bank, travel agency and student government offices.

Following the completion of the student center, work would begin on two student apartment buildings. The buildings will consist of two and three bedroom apartments, each with a private bathroom, kitchen, living room and possibly laundry facilities. The apartments will most likely have different rules than the dormitories.

"They will be open to juniors and seniors as an alternative to moving off campus," Eldred said. "With the way enrollment is going now, we may need one building for the fall of 2003."

Eldred then spoke about the improvement in Saint Mary's enrollment and recruiting strategies.

"In the late '80s and early '90s our enrollment wasn't doing very well," Eldred said. "Now I am really pleased with it. In the last four years we have seen an increase of 35 percent in the incoming classes. You all are a result of that."



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Saint Mary's President Marilou Eldred, right, meets with students in an informal and conversational setting to talk about a variety of issues as student trustee, Akmaral Omarova listens.

This is due in large part to a change in the recruitment procedures of the Admissions Office. Eldred said that in addition to the significant increase in financial aid, Admissions is now thinking more strategically about recruitment.

"We realized how important it is for us to focus on high schools that we have a high turnout from," Eldred said. "So now we

go to [fewer] high schools and really focus on the ones that Saint Mary's students have come from. If we have one or two women come from a given school one year, then maybe the next year we will attract two or three."

Eldred also gave credit to the personal attention that Admissions pays to possible students, the VISA program, and

the student-endorsed application. Twenty-four percent of the College's current freshman class came from student-endorsed applications.

She gave students a taste of what her job includes, giving them an example of her typical day.

"Seventy percent of my time is

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RICO CASARES/The Observer

Students speak candidly about campus relations with disabled students during a panel discussion Tuesday.

Forum explores student disabilities

By TERRY RESTIVO
News Writer

Most students are supportive of students with disabilities, despite the fact that many have never been exposed to someone who is disabled, a panel discussion concluded Tuesday night. However, there is room for better individual attitudes regarding those who are disabled, the group of about 12 students said.

Notre Dame sophomore Laura Hoffman led the discussion. The discussion coincided with National Disabilities Week, which began on Monday and continues until this coming Saturday. The goal of the talks centered on increasing Disability Awareness at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's through continuous dialogue with the community. The group discussion questioned if accommodations for the disabled that the University provides are adequate, involve interaction with

professors and promote a social environment for disabled students. Most of the sentiment was positive when the panel discussed Notre Dame's accommodation of disabled individuals.

"Accessibility at Notre Dame is great," Notre Dame freshman John Walsh said. "Professors have been very accommodating to my disability." However, not everyone is as optimistic about campus attitudes towards disabled students.

"Some professors look down upon on those who have a disability because they think they are abusing the system to their advantage, which is not true," freshman Martha Fulcher said.

"People can accuse you of faking if your disability is not necessarily visible, but as someone who is disabled you have to be truthful, blunt, and honest as possible," Walsh said.

"People can be scared of people with disabilities," Saint Mary's sophomore Sara Mahoney said.

"You have to be sensitive to these issues." When the topic of increasing disability awareness was brought up in the discussion, many panel participants said educating individuals with disabilities is difficult in college.

"Education [on the disabled] at a young age would help," said Fulcher. Hoffman ended the forum by sharing her perceptions of the disabled community at Notre Dame.

"A lot of people in the Notre Dame community are afraid to talk about their disabilities," Hoffman said. "To talk about it breaks down barriers." Hoffman said the forum would provide disabled students who are not always visible a voice expressing their concerns.

"Disabilities are a big part of diversity with the Notre Dame community. However most people do not know there is even a disabilities office at Notre Dame."

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INSIDE COLUMN

Domers on the road

Hey everybody, let's talk about "The Vagina Monologues" some more!

Nah, how about the way in which many of us guys here show off our Notre Dame pride. I know guys here who think that a play that talks at length about the clitoris is OK, and others who think it is despicable. Whatever. None of them, and I mean none of them, want to go to another school and get out drunk by "them."



Brian Burke

Sports Writer

Ever been with Notre Dame guys to another school? Last year when I was in Arizona for the Fiesta Bowl and we went to Arizona State with my Notre Dame friend from Phoenix. The kids from ASU were all hanging out in one of their apartments before we went out to the bars in Tempe. Meanwhile, my two ND friends and I are in the corner of the kitchen downing our half-vodka-half-Sprite mixture, as is the standard pre-game ritual. The Keystone light from Boat Club has trained us well in the art of pre-gaming.

It scared the hell out of them. They only have "a" beer before going out. But God forbid we get outdrank by them Sun Devils! They never stood a chance. The Irish Car Bombs were just too much for them.

Last semester my friends and I headed up to East Lansing for a weekend at Michigan State. After a night out at bar after bar, not to mention the wonderful "after hours" that Notre Dame will never have, it probably would have gone down as a draw. But what tho' the odds be great or small, we pulled it out the next morning when at 10 a.m. my friend Ben whipped out a flask of bourbon and just picked up where he left off the next night. The frat guys were intimidated.

This weekend, it's a trek to see my cousin at Purdue, and already the game plan is being formulated. Three guys taking down a handle should be enough, but we need to be prepared for anything. Supposedly my cousin knows these guys that "are so crazy" and "drink day and night."

Blah, blah, blah. We Dillon guys have heard it all before. Three years of sitting around drinking in the dorm has made us unstoppable on the road.

"Ben," I asked last night at dinner, "if worse comes to worse you can do the bourbon at 10 a.m. thing right?"

"Consider it done, man."

I know we're such dorks. But not everyone can run out of the tunnel wearing the blue and gold. We're just trying to do our part. So I'm going to visit my cousin this weekend, but it's also a big road game. We're favored by about a fifth of Jim Beam. Go Irish.

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Wednesday
◆ **Film:** "Peppermint Candy" (South Korea, 2000) Montgomery Theater, LaFortune Student Center, 7 to 9 p.m.

Thursday
◆ **Keynote Speech:** Chris Burke, "Corky" from the television show, "Life Goes On" Stepan Center, free admission, 7:30 p.m.

Friday
◆ **Boxing:** Bengal Bout Preliminaries, Joyce Center Fieldhouse. Tickets can be purchased at the Joyce Center box office, either one or four day pass, 5 p.m.

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Harvard prof begs leniency for convicted molestor

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

A Harvard University professor asked for leniency Friday in the sentencing of a former Yale University professor and housemaster convicted of child molestation.

Antonio Lasaga, an award-winning geochemist who taught at Yale for almost 15 years, was sentenced to 20 years in prison Friday after he pled no contest to charges of sexual assault, employing a minor in an obscene performance and risk of injury to a minor in New Haven Superior Court last month.

Harvard's Heinrich D. Holland, Dudley research professor of economic geology, as well as two professors from Pennsylvania State University, asked Superior Court Judge Roland Fasano for a light sentence for Lasaga on Friday. They argued that Lasaga's



academic expertise should be considered in the sentencing.

"All of us in science are expendable, but the loss of the most capable are felt the most strongly," Holland said in his testimony according to the Hartford Courant.

They pointed to Lasaga's career, which began at Princeton University and continued at Harvard and Penn State, before concluding at Yale. Lasaga earned his doctorate in chemi-

cal physics at Harvard in 1976 and served as a lecturer in Harvard's Department of Chemistry and Geology in 1976 and 1977.

Lasaga was conducting studies in global warming and the safe disposal of nuclear waste at the time of his arrest. His work is still taught in Harvard's Earth and Planetary Sciences courses, Holland said.

Holland, a former professor and mentor of Lasaga, said Monday that the revelations had come as a "horrendous shock." He said Lasaga was well-respected and considered to be "the perfect student, the perfect professor and perfect friend."

Hiroshi Ohmoto, one of the other professors who spoke on behalf of Lasaga, said Lasaga had a tendency to spread himself too thin with academic and social obligations.

DARTMOUTH UNIVERSITY

Early decision grows at Ivies

HANOVER, N.H.

Despite growing concerns about the fairness of early decision, its use continues to proliferate throughout the Ivy League, with some schools filling half of their incoming freshman slots with early applicants. The most dramatic increase came at the University of Pennsylvania, where 50 percent of its freshman class will be admitted early this year, up from 43 percent last year. Columbia, accepting 490 students, admitted 49 percent of its incoming class early. It saw a 6.5 percent increase in the number of early applicants and its early admission acceptance rate was 29 percent. The growing popularity of early decision has raised many serious questions. Recent criticism has arisen that early decision favors affluent students over students in financial need. This is because early decision does not allow students in need of financial aid to weigh offers from other schools. Once accepted under the program, a student must attend regardless of better financial aid offers at other institutions.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY

Male sexuality class put on hold

BERKELEY, Calif.

The University of California-Berkeley male sexuality class that came under fire last week has been suspended by administrators while an investigation into reports of illicit class activities is conducted. The class's female counterpart is also under review but has not been suspended, officials said. A meeting between the instructors of the student-run classes took place Friday, following an inquiry into the classes by The Daily Californian. But when instructors of the male sexuality class failed to show up, the class was pulled, said George Breslauer, dean of social sciences at UC-Berkeley. Students and instructors of the class told the Daily Cal they took trips to strip clubs and "sex exchanges" and watched an instructor strip. Some also said a party at an instructor's house included group sex and a "party game" that had students photographing their genitalia and then trying to match the pictures to the correct body.

LOCAL WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast
AccuWeather™ forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

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Thursday	35	22
Friday	38	27
Saturday	46	29
Sunday	31	23
Monday	35	21

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Atlanta	65	43	Las Vegas	69	44	Portland	54	42
Baltimore	58	42	Memphis	63	41	Sacramento	64	45
Boston	48	42	Milwaukee	50	27	St. Louis	58	36
Chicago	54	29	New York	53	45	Tampa	78	61
Houston	73	49	Philadelphia	59	47	Washington, DC	59	45

NETHERLANDS

Milosevic denounces war crimes witness, defends police

THE HAGUE
In a four-hour verbal battle Tuesday, Slobodan Milosevic dismissed the first witness in his war crimes trial as a liar and defended Serb police actions in Kosovo as a fight against terrorism.

During cross-examination, Milosevic sought to discredit Mahmut Bakalli, an ethnic Albanian politician who claimed the former Yugoslav president coldly destroyed Kosovo and was responsible for

thousands of deaths in the province.

Milosevic, the first former head of state to be charged with war crimes while in office, is accused of crimes against humanity in Kosovo and Croatia, and of genocide in Bosnia during the 1991-99 Balkan wars. He could be sentenced to life imprisonment if convicted on any one of 66 counts.

Although a law graduate, Milosevic never practiced law

until he became his own defense attorney at the Yugoslav war crimes tribunal. He has refused to recognize the court, claiming it is an instrument of Western powers who want to destroy him and his nation.

At times sarcastic, Milosevic engaged in heated exchanges with Bakalli, trying to catch him in contradictions. He also highlighted Bakalli's links with Kosovo Albanian rebels, arguing that he was too biased to be

a reliable witness. In one exchange, Milosevic asked whether the rebel Kosovo Liberation Army was disarmed when international peacekeeping forces arrived in 1999.

"Yes, it was disarmed," Bakalli said.

"Then, what are they firing with now?" Milosevic asked, claiming 3,000 Serbs have been killed in Kosovo by "terrorists" since the arrival of the NATO-led troops. Richard Dicker of the New York-based Human

Rights Watch said Milosevic's ability to attack a witness's credibility is "a benchmark of fair trial ... for any accused in any court."

In his most damaging testimony, Bakalli told the court Monday that in 1998, Milosevic admitted knowing about a Serb massacre of more than 40 members of an ethnic Albanian family in the village of Prekaz. He said Milosevic defended the police action as a fight against terrorists.

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Eldred

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spent talking to people about the value of a Saint Mary's education, and ultimately asking people to be helpful to the College," Eldred said. "When I'm asked what I do for a living, I usually say that I meet with people to talk about everything from the sublime to the ridiculous." One of her main goals as president of the College is to visit all 52 active alumni clubs around the nation.

"I give them an update on the college and address current issues," Eldred said. "Frequently they express a concern and a fear that we have lowered our admission standards, but I can happily say that we have not."

After giving an extensive update, Eldred said she usually provides alumni general information regarding the financial needs of the College. She said that many Saint Mary's graduates she meets with are married to Notre Dame graduates.

"I tell them that I would like to see them give the same amount to Saint Mary's as their husbands give to Notre Dame," Eldred said.

The typical response to this statement, according to Eldred, ends with heads hung low in shame as graduates acknowledge that they do tend to give

more financial support to Notre Dame.

"Alumni give money to Saint Mary's because it is an institution they love and want to see continue to grow stronger," Eldred said. "They want to carry on their legacy and the wonderful Saint Mary's tradition." Eldred also addressed a question pertaining to why she thinks Saint Mary's has consistently remained one of the nation's premier women's colleges for so many years.

"There used to be over 100 women's colleges across the country, and the number has dwindled down to 19. A lot of this has to do with the schools becoming co-educational, being taken over by larger schools, or having small endowments and low enrollment rates," Eldred said. "We are in the exact opposite position. Our enrollment is increasing and our endowment is 88 million dollars. We have great resources and a beautiful campus."

Another student asked why Saint Mary's no longer has a Masters Degree Program and if students can expect to see one in the future. Sister Madeleva started the program in the late 1940's when Catholic universities would not allow women to enter their programs. The Masters Program was dropped in the early 1960's when institutions such as Catholic University let women into their programs.

"We have decided to remain an undergraduate college," Eldred said. "One great thing about Saint Mary's is that we are very clear about who we are. We are a Catholic, women's, liberal arts undergraduate college, and we will stay that way." A

student-athlete asked Eldred to speak about the athletic department's budget, making it clear that the program requires more sufficient funding.

"We have come so far in terms of how the college supports athletics in the last four years,"

Eldred said. "We're making the budget for next year, and the Athletic Department has asked for a lot. We can't do it all, but we can try."

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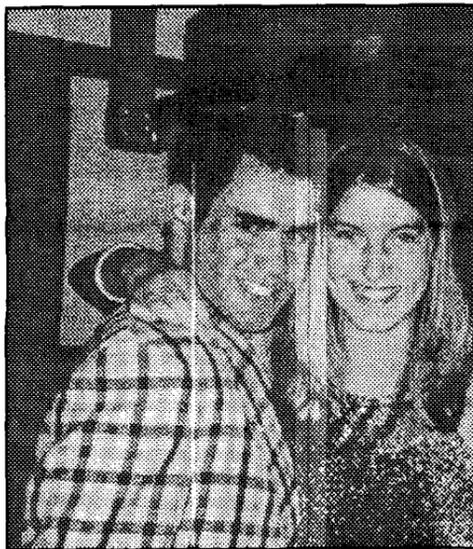
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

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As many as 60,000 Brazilians may have to get revaccinated against Hepatitis A. Merck & Co. initiated an international recall of the vaccine on Nov. 16 after tests showed some doses that had been sold to patients didn't provide enough protection against the liver disease, the FDA's website said.

German kills bosses, principal, self:

In Freising, a young German who recently lost his job shot and killed two former bosses Tuesday then took a taxi to his old high school and killed the principal and himself as hundreds of students ran for cover. The man wore army camouflage and carried two pistols and two pipe bombs. None of the other students was injured. The suspect's name was not released.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Jury finds Doctor guilty:

Dr. James Graves, Florida's only Oxy-Contin prescriber, was found guilty Tuesday of manslaughter for prescribing the drug to four patients who overdosed on their medication and died. He was convicted of four counts of manslaughter, one count of racketeering, and five counts of delivery of an unlawful substance. Florida prosecutor Russell Edgar referred to Graves as a drug dealer. He faces up to 30 years in prison.

Louisville has flight delays:

Early morning flights out of Louisville International Airport were delayed as departing passengers repeated the screening process Tuesday. Officials said a security employee was discovered asleep at her position. Airport security cleared the concourse and directed 1,000 passengers through the security checkpoints, in case of a security breach. The sleeping employee was fired.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

College enrollment increases:

Despite the setbacks experienced in the steel industry, college enrollment in northern Indiana has increased. Students are choosing to attend college in the hopes that, after four years in school, their chances of employment will be better, and the economy will have improved. The Community College of Indiana, Indiana University, and Purdue University have experienced an increase in student interest and enrollment. They report that most of the calls and applications are coming from laid-off steel employees.



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A Georgia State Trooper stands guard outside the Tri-State Crematory Tuesday in Noble, Ga. State officials have brought in federal assistance to help identify several corpses found at the locatoin.

Officials find 149 more corpses

Associated Press

NOBLE

As the ground around Tri-State Crematory yielded more corpses, residents in three states faced the horror of planning funerals for loved ones they had long believed were resting in peace.

Forensics teams on Tuesday had recovered 149 bodies left to rot outside the northwest Georgia crematory, finding skeletons sealed in vaults and bodies that had been dragged into a shed.

"I feel like I'm in a horror movie," said Leatha Shropshire, a mother of three, whose own mother died Jan. 30 and was found dumped in the 16-acre area behind the crematory.

"We just lost our mother two weeks ago and we are having to do this all over again," Shropshire said. "The waiting was killing us. There is no way to describe what that kind of waiting is like."

Ray Brent Marsh, operator of the crematory in this rural town 20 miles south of Chattanooga, Tenn., was arrested for a second time and authorities filed 11 new theft-by-deception charges against him, bringing the total to 16.

"By the hour, this is getting bigger and bigger and bigger," said Kris Sperry, the state's chief medical examiner. "I don't have a theory because none of this makes sense. I don't think it ever will."

Officials examined the contents of 51 urns that had been sent to relatives. Some contained powdered cement or potting soil rather than human remains, officials said. Other urns appeared to contain human remains.

Sperry said there was no way to make a positive identity using cremated remains, but officials said at least one family received remains that did not belong to their relative. The relative's remains were identified among

those recovered from the grounds.

Investigators have said Marsh told them the the incinerator was broken. Evidence shows some dumped bodies have been there for 15 years or more.

Some corpses were in body bags, while others were dressed in clothing or hospital gowns or wrapped in sheets. They ranged from newly delivered to severely decomposed, he said, predicting that some would never be identified. disaster mortuary team began arriving late Monday to open a mass morgue to sort the bodies. More than 400 people were involved in the investigation.

Marsh, 28, refused a request for a jailhouse interview. Calls to his home and the crematory went unanswered Monday, and voicemail boxes at both numbers were full.

As the body count rose, agents said they had begun examining the records of Marsh and his

parents, Ray and Clara Marsh, who turned the business over to their son in 1996. The elder Marshes have not been charged, but authorities said bodies were being dumped before the son took over.

"As far as the criminal investigation goes, we have to question everybody who was involved in the operation and that's being done," said Georgia Bureau of Investigation spokesman John Bankhead.

Clara Marsh, who taught high school for more than 30 years, appears not to have been involved in day-to-day operations at the crematory, Walker County Sheriff Steve Wilson said.

In almost all cases, Tri-State Crematory picked up the bodies from up to 30 funeral homes in Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama, delivering ashes later in return, said Walker County coroner Dewayne Wilson, who is not related to the sheriff.

Market Watch February 19

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Man crawls out of grave to find killers

Associated Press

PHENIX CITY, Ala.

A man whose throat was slashed and who was buried in a shallow grave with his slain 12-year-old son clawed his way out of the dirt and helped police find two men accused of killing the boy.

Forrest "Butch" Bowyer, 54, underwent surgery and was expected to recover, Sheriff Tommy Boswell said Tuesday.

The suspects, Michael David Carruth, 43, and Jimmy Lee Brooks Jr., 22, were charged with capital

murder, attempted murder, robbery, and kidnapping. They were being held without bail.

The sheriff said Brooks and Carruth showed up at Bowyer's home late Sunday and allegedly forced Bowyer and his son, Brett, into a car and drove about 20 miles outside town. After Bowyer gave them money, the men slit his throat and shoved him into a grave, Boswell said. Minutes later, Bowyer heard gunshots, and his son's body was pushed on top of him. The killers covered the grave with dirt. Bowyer began digging his way out as soon as

they left. He was slashed "ear to ear," the sheriff said, but the cut wasn't too deep.

"He died dead. He just knew he was dying or fixing to die," Boswell said. "He was in there about 10, 15 minutes," Boswell said.

The father unearthed his son's body, walked through woods, then flagged down a car.

"We got an ambulance there but he wouldn't leave until he showed us where the body was," Boswell said.

Officers found the boy's dead body atop the grave a few minutes after the ambulance left with Bowyer.

PERU

American to ask president to pardon terrorism sentence

Associated Press

LIMA

An American woman will seek a pardon from Peru's president after being ordered to serve out her 20-year prison sentence for collaborating with leftist rebels in a failed bid to seize Congress.

The Supreme Court on Monday announced its decision in the case of Lori Berenson. The high court was the New York native's last recourse for appeal in the Peruvian justice system.

Berenson's lawyer and parents said she will pursue the remaining options for being released from prison: a pardon from Peruvian President Alejandro Toledo or a favorable ruling by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

Berenson, 32, has already been jailed for six years and must now serve out the sentence that ends in 2015.

She condemned the Supreme Court decision Monday and said she was joining hundreds of jailed guerrillas in a hunger strike to protest prison conditions and Peru's anti-terrorism laws.

Berenson was convicted in June of terrorist collaboration in the thwarted attempt by the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement to take over Peru's Congress in 1995.

But she was acquitted of being a member of the rebel group.

That was Berenson's second terrorism conviction. The first came in 1996 when a secret military tribunal of hooded judges sentenced her to life in prison for being a rebel leader.

In that trial, the court ruled that Berenson aided the guerrillas by renting a house for their hide-out and posing as a journalist to enter Congress to gather intelligence.

Berenson denied the charges and said she didn't know her housemates were rebels.

The life sentence was overturned in August 2000 and a new trial ordered after years of pressure from the United States.

Presiding Justice Guillermo Cabala said five Supreme Court judges decided Berenson's appeal last week but held off releasing it until Monday.

Cabala said four judges upheld the 20-year sentence while he supported reducing it to 15 years.

Berenson's parents, Mark and Rhoda Berenson of New York, already have urged Toledo to pardon their daughter. Peruvian officials declined to comment on that possibility while the case was in the courts.

There was no official reac-

tion to Monday's announcement.

Rhoda Berenson also said she will ask the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, part of the Organization of American States, to accelerate its review of the case.

The issue eventually could reach the OAS court, which has the power to overturn her conviction. Peru is a member state of the court and is obliged to adhere to its rulings.

Berenson, a former Massachusetts Institute of Technology student, considers herself a political prisoner and says authorities unfairly portrayed her concern for social justice as a terrorist agenda.

She condemned the Supreme

Court's decision in a statement released by her parents, who have spoken regularly with their daughter by telephone from New York.

"This judicial process was a farce from its beginning to its end. I am innocent of the charges," Berenson said in the statement.

Berenson's parents said they will appeal to President Bush to lobby for her release.

"We know that Lori is innocent, and we remain optimistic that she will be released. We

call upon President George W. Bush to right this wrong and to secure Lori's release," the Berensons said in the statement.

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**Mark and Rhoda Berenson
parents of Lori Berenson**

The State Department had no immediate comment.

A pardon of Berenson might be unpopular in Peru, where she is seen as a foreign

terrorist in a country that suffered through years of guerrilla violence.

Bush will visit Peru March 23 to discuss trade and combating drug trafficking and

terrorism with Toledo. Peruvian Foreign Minister Diego Garcia Sayan last week did not rule out that the two presidents could discuss Berenson's case.

Bush urged Toledo during a June meeting in Washington to consider humanitarian concerns in Berenson's case.

"Lori was a victim of the previous administration," Rhoda Berenson told The Associated Press from her New York home.

"She was a political pawn for their personal gains and she's already been in jail for six years under horrendous conditions," she said, referring to the previous administration of President Alberto Fujimori.

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ITALY

Trial begins for 3 suspected terrorists

Associated Press

MILAN

Three Tunisians accused of cooperating with Osama bin Laden's terrorist network went on trial Monday in a heavily guarded courtroom on charges they supplied false documents and belonged to a criminal group that tried to traffic in arms and explosives.

Prosecutor Stefano Dambruoso, who is leading Italy's investigation into Islamic terrorism in northern Italy, told the court he wants to prove the men were part of an international ring that "referred directly to al-Qaida."

The Tunisians were detained during a major probe into suspected Islamic terrorist cells last year. They are charged with criminal association with the intent to obtain and transport arms, explosives and chemicals and with supplying false documents. Defense lawyers argued that the defendants — Riadh Jelassi, Mehdi Kammoun and Adel Ben Soltane — may have committed some illegal acts, such as the use of counterfeit documents, but not terrorist crimes.

"They are small fishes," said lawyer Gianluca Maris. "Investigators were seeking terrorists with arms and bombs. They found a modest

amount of counterfeit documents."

Judge Ambrogio Moccia rejected a defense request to have the trial moved out of Milan, where Italian investigators say a cell linked to al-Qaida operated. The defense says the men were arrested in a town outside Milan, not the city itself. Dambruoso asked permission to call witnesses from a long list that included German, Spanish, French and Belgian investigators who coordinated a crackdown on suspected al-Qaida supporters in Europe before and after the Sept. 11 attacks. The judge said he would permit the testimony but that a limited number of investigators could appear.

In the courtroom, Kammoun was locked inside an iron-barred cage. He waved to the other defendants, who were handcuffed as they were escorted to benches, a handful of prison guards hovering with pistols as they sat down. Three paramilitary police guarded the entrance, and in an unusual sign of tight security, a plain-clothes policeman stood behind Dambruoso. Dambruoso, who conducted the pretrial probe and asked for the indictments, has said the defendants were not directly connected to the Sept. 11 attacks but are believed linked to al-Qaida.

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Attention Students:

The Office of the President Staff is currently working with Administrators, University Departments and student groups to effect long term change at the Notre Dame. Students have more input right now than ever before, but we need your help! Please give us your feedback on the following issues. Many recommendations will be made this semester! Email studegov@nd.edu, call the Student Government Office at 1-7668 or stop by the Maximum Student Resource Center next to the info desk in LaFortune with suggestions or comments.

Thank you for your input,

Brooke Norton, Brian Moscona, Jonathan Jorissen and the Office of the President

We Need Your Input on:

- Changes and Improvements to Email System
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- Improvements to digital services in the Library
- Use of Wireless technology on campus
- Printing Quotas in the Computer Clusters
- Renovations to the 2nd Floor Faculty Dining Room of SDH
- Women's Issues on Campus for Spring Report to the Trustees
- Clarification of Tailgating and Alcohol Guidelines
- Faculty/Student Interaction
- Ideas for future Library Study Space
- Curriculum Changes
- Television as an educational adjunct
- Student Computer Ownership as part of tuition
- Long term proposal for cable in the dorms
- Renovation of Basement study space in LaFortune
- Flexible meal plan options

Upcoming Events:

- Report to the Trustees on Women and Gender Issues at Notre Dame
- Body Image Awareness Week
- Celebration of 30 years of Co-education:
 - Mass in Walsh 2/26 at 11pm
 - Crush Fundraiser
 - History Displays in the Maximum Student Resource Center 2/25-2/28
- Student Appreciation Day
- Clean Up Your Own Backyard
- Greatness Grant applications now available in 203 LaFortune



Thank you to the Office of the President Staff for their hard work and accomplishments this year!

We appreciate all that you have done for Notre Dame...

- Football Stadium Collection for Firefighters Fund
- September 11th Prayer Vigil
- La Fortune Renovations and Food Services
- Opening of School Year Mass
- Collection for New York Ambulance
- The Maximum Student Resource Center (A place to look at campus happenings and dialogue with Student Government)
- Student Discount Cards and Designated Driver Cards
- Culture Fest Program
- Last Lecture Series and Collaboration on Week of War and Peace Education
- Collaboration on Sexual Assault Awareness Week
- Blessing Unto Others Week and Concert Series
- Founder's Day Dinner and Midnight Grill on Quad
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- Secured U2 tickets for students
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- Free LSAT/GRE review and Off-campus Security Forum
- Boston College Away-Game Hospitality
- Athletic Promotions and Game Watches
- Reports to the Trustees on First Year Orientation and Residentiality
- Dinner with Seven Strangers
- Stepping Stones to Understanding and Aids Awareness Discussions
- Town Hall meetings and Collaboration with Class Council Spiritual Committees
- Learning to Talk About Race Retreat for Student Leaders
- Retreat with Dorm Multicultural Commissioners
- Faculty/Student Interaction and Financial Aid Research
- Blood Drive and Discussion Group in Response to September 11th.
- **AND MANY MORE STILL TO COME**

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bengal Bouts participants
persevere valiantly

In the far corner of the Notre Dame Boxing Room, in the basement of the Joyce Center, there's a poem by Teddy Roosevelt handwritten by someone onto a large poster board. The poem is called "The Man in the Arena." It's a poem any fairly athletic student has probably heard countless times in his life, whether from a hockey coach in high school or a social dance instructor freshman year. Its point is fairly simple, as Roosevelt wasn't Wallace Stevens, and can be summarized in three lines. "The credit belongs to / the man in the arena / who strives valiantly." It's not really a highlight in any American poetry anthology or anything, but it's a good read, especially for any of 100 or more Bengal Boutsers every year. In fact, written above the poem on the beat-up poster board is a personal message from one of the boxing coaches to the boxers: "This is each of you."

The men of Notre Dame who box for two months every spring semester epitomize Roosevelt's idealized man in the arena. To participate in the Bengal Bouts program is, first and foremost, not a pleasurable physical experience. It is a commitment to a challenging five-week training regimen to prepare for, at best, about 20 minutes in the ring. A typical day lasts anywhere from two to three hours and involves distance running to gain stamina, push-ups, sit-ups, jumping-jacks and more to build strength and endurance and an almost endless repetition of shadow boxing, work on the heavy bag and sparring to perfect the technical aspects of the science that is boxing.

The program is not a particularly pleasant mental experience either. Some boxers will tell you how disappointing it is to lose precious afternoon napping time. Others will tell of the sacrifice of time and effort that would normally be devoted to their studies or to service. Finally, and most intriguingly, most will tell you about the critical comments and vicious glares they receive from roommates, classmates and teachers because of their participation in such a "violent" sport that should be reserved for Neanderthals.

But not one of the boxers would trade his experience for any other at Notre Dame. That is a fact affirmed by the gentlemen who participate in the Bengal Bouts year after year, even after getting pounded on like Danny LaRusso in a Kobra Kai Dojo. In my four years of boxing at Notre Dame, through the example of coaches and fellow boxers alike, I've discovered the

meaning of words such as passion, dedication, intensity, competition and sportsmanship. Boxing is certainly an individual sport; there are, as the saying goes, "no timeouts and no excuses."

In the face of pain and suffering, this sport, more than any other, forces the athlete to ask himself constantly, "Are you going to give up or are you going to persevere?" Indeed, the boxer cannot look to anyone but himself. Yet the team element of Notre Dame Boxing makes this question easy to answer. All of the boxers train together and daily prepare for fights alongside their eventual opponents. In this way, for the boxers, the question, "Will I persevere?" answers itself. The Notre Dame boxer need only look to his teammates to know the answer.

The boxing, however, is just the physical manifestation of what Bengal Bouts truly is. It is a charitable venture designed to help people in need. The annual tournament raises incredible amounts of money and the Boxing Club sends every cent to the Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh. Last year, the Club raised more than \$75,000 and this year the goal is \$100,000. In Bangladesh, the value of such figures increases tenfold. The profoundly positive effect of the Notre Dame boxing program will never be fully felt by any of us in South Bend, but those who have been to Bangladesh, such as Coach Tom Suddes, have seen the impact firsthand and seem overwhelmed by what the money produces.

On a personal note, I will not be fighting in this year's Bengal Bouts, so any of you who were lining up for tickets to see me get my face bashed will just have to hold on to that dream. I was injured in a sparring session a couple of weeks ago and am unable to fight. I regret that I will not have the opportunity to be "the man in the arena" one more time, but I write this as a tribute to the boxers who will. You truly spend yourself "in a worthy cause," as Roosevelt says. Please buy tickets to the fights or just donate a few dollars even if you don't want to go. Your donation, like the Bengal Bouts, may not seem significant, but it is.

Bob Kennedy
senior
off-campus
February 17, 2002

Academic freedom at stake

The specter of "The Vagina Monologues" continues to spook the Saint Mary's College administration in LeMans Hall. Two years after the officially sanctioned presentation of the popular play and a year after an officially opposed, grassroots production in the residence halls, "The Vagina Monologues" rises again, this time as the principal cause of a statement on academic freedom issued by the student Board of Governance.

This statement, which so slavishly "affirms" the administration's decision to pursue different avenues of programming dealing with the topics raised in "The Vagina Monologues" and commend[s] the steps taken by the administration to educate the women of Saint Mary's College through programs and lectures other than "The Vagina Monologues," demonstrates a troubling lack of independent thinking.

It seems curiously less than coincidental that such a statement should be made during the very week when V-Day productions of the play are being presented around the world to raise our awareness of the violence inflicted on women. When the BOG affirms the administration's program of education about "topics raised in "The Vagina Monologues," does it or does it not approve of the presentation on campus of "The Vagina Monologues?"

While nearly 450 colleges nationwide and 700 worldwide are presenting "The Vagina Monologues," including local productions at Indiana University-South Bend and Notre Dame, Saint Mary's excuses itself under the guise of academic freedom. It is even more troubling that the administration has been reluctant to discuss outside of the closed offices of LeMans exactly what its concept of academic freedom should be.

What is the BOG's position on academic freedom for students on campus? Saint Mary's students should

insist that their BOG be absolutely clear about its position on academic freedom so that they can be held responsible for their position.

The BOG's encomium for the administration should worry students and faculty alike in that it crosses the line that rightfully should separate the two different, if complimentary, governing bodies of the College, the administration and student government. Unfortunately, this latest issuance from the Nagle and Matha student administration is another example of its practice of giving a rubber stamp to the administration's policies regarding student life and thought.

As a librarian for 25 years at Saint Mary's College, I am committed to providing our students with the widest spectrum of opinion and information and have encouraged them to discover and speak the truth for themselves. Rather than seeking smiles of approval from the administration, the students and their representatives should take pride in knowing that their predecessors were the first to bring "The Vagina Monologues" to the theater-going public of Michiana and that by their vision, permission was given to other women and institutions in our larger community to do the same.

When women's self-expression is forced underground, as happened with "The Vagina Monologues" production at Saint Mary's College last year, and women are required to practice their "mysteries" by the light of the moon, women themselves are buried and a patriarchy which demeans them is supported.

Robert J. Hohl
reference librarian
Saint Mary's College
February 15, 2002

Incorporate
community
into classes

I am convinced that community engagement by Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students and faculty needs to be enhanced by imaginative decisions about curriculum in future strategic planning. Recent experiences of community engagement with partners in South Bend and beyond have taught me how much all of us need to learn about community engagement and curriculum enhancement.

Father Don
McNeill

For a More
Just and
Humane World

Two years ago around this time, I stood one evening with an architecture student, Rona Reodica, in my team-taught Christian Leadership course in a dimly lit, dusty and open space of 8,000 square feet which used to be the Goodwill Store in the Northeast Neighborhood (NEN). Rona had listened to the Northeast Neighborhood Council (NENC) and other community groups express their hopes and dreams for a community center which would respond to their gifts and needs. Soon after, Rona, with four other architecture students and Professor Bob Amico, developed plans for the space. We had an animated discussion with the neighbors. Rona and the team later provided drawings which assisted the final architectural plans for what is now the Robinson Community Learning Center (RCLC).

This Friday the RCLC celebrates one year of community engagement with service and learning in the Northeast and Notre Dame communities. Father Malloy and many neighbors, partners and Notre Dame constituents will be present. You are welcome. I will be there and will remember Rona and three other students in my theology course whose academic study and insights joined many partners in the final proposal for the RCLC.

This Monday I co-facilitated with junior Maura Kelly a meeting of 15 neighborhood and community partners and Notre Dame students and staff. We decided to plan and expedite an early gathering of NEN neighbors, off-campus students and partners before classes in August. The group also confirmed the importance of two new initiatives in the NEN: "Turning Over a New Leaf" and "Green Impact." This curriculum will provide them time to study neighborhood revitalization and link it with interdisciplinary and theological exploration of these community and faith-based initiatives.

I have recently learned new ideas for community-based learning through community engagement. In Mary Beckman's course this semester, "Restoring Economic Vitality to the Inner City: What Works, What Doesn't, and Why," which she co-teaches with David Hay, she connects research of students with questions of interest to both the RCLC and SBHF. In addition, she is exploring an initiative with Professor Dennis Jacobs in chemistry: the possibility of linking the skills of chemistry students with partners in the South Bend area concerned about the impact of lead paint on low income families. Mary is discovering the many forms of excellent service and community-based learning.

My colleagues and I have explored creative current and future initiatives for cross-cultural partnerships for education, social entrepreneurship and social concerns. Although we were visioning possibilities in Chicago (including a future semester abroad linked with community and public service learning) and other national and international sites, we realized major commitments must continue to grow with South Bend. More creative curricular forms of community engagement in researching, teaching and learning are possible thanks to the trust developed by multiple Notre Dame partners and South Bend residents as co-partners for social change.

Our CSC wants to continue to be a partner envisioning our curriculum for the future. Local and global community and academic engagement is integral to our Notre Dame and CSC mission to respond to the call to "bring about a more just and humane world."

I am grateful that students, faculty, alumni/ac, staff and community partners are up to these challenges of curriculum enhancement in the days ahead.

"For a More Just and Humane World" is the Center for Social Concerns' bi-weekly column. The author, Father Don McNeill, class of '58, is executive director of the Center for Social Concerns, a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross, and a resident in McGlenn Hall.

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

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Watch your back under the Dome after reading McNerny's latest ND mystery

By BILL RINNER
Scene Writer

Ralph McNerny, Notre Dame's director of the Jacques Maritain Center of Philosophy, presents a delightfully familiar mystery in "The Book of Kills."

An author of more than 30 books and a Notre Dame professor of 40 years, McNerny has received critical acclaim for his previous works, particularly the Father Dowling and Andrew Broom series. McNerny was also a winner of the Bouchercon Lifetime Achievement

Award.

With his latest book, the reader will feel right at home.

When a potential scandal at Notre Dame arises, reaching back to the founder himself, foul play inevitably results and an intriguing narrative unfolds.

A disagreeable graduate student, who manages to antagonize everyone from his wife to his girlfriend to his academic advisors, uncovers evidence that Notre Dame's land was stolen from Potawatomi Indians. After the president of the University is kidnapped during a football game against the Florida State Seminoles, the scholar suffers a gruesome death.

The two brothers Roger and Philip Knight, one a professor and the other a private investigator, seek to uncover the truth behind the complex web of mystery and deceit by finding the murderer and uncovering his motive.

Multiple twists and an unforeseeable ending place the book within the classical mystery genre.

The book reads smoothly and invigorates even the most casual reader. McNerny's attention to detail places the reader directly into the scene as familiar Notre Dame locations will perk the interest of students and alumni.

One must wonder whether the non-Domer will read "The Book of Kills" with a similar verve, but the meticulous details about the campus and city will leave no one clueless.

An interesting issue in the book is McNerny's critique of academic issues at Notre Dame. The "Ex Corde Ecclesiae" — the document concerning academic freedom at Catholic colleges and universities — is discussed, and the students in the

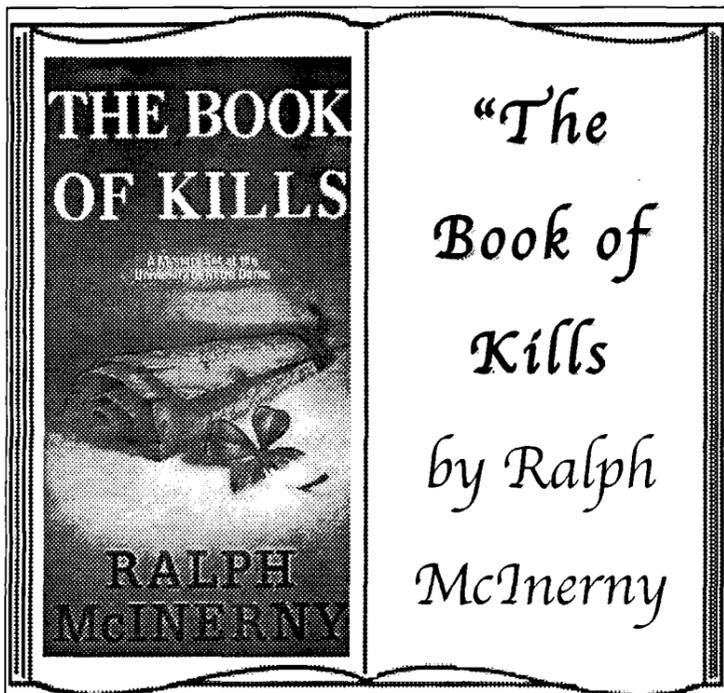
book are far from geniuses as well.

Nevertheless, McNerny's years of experience of teaching Notre Dame students and living in South Bend cause certain character traits to resonate on various levels for the reader.

Overall, the book is recommended for any fan of the mystery genre, but the context of the narrative may not captivate anyone outside of the Notre Dame community.

McNerny certainly lives up to his reputation as an author and a scholar as University issues provoke self-evaluation.

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"The
Book of
Kills
by Ralph
McInerny

Spiritual reflections inspire Fr. Ayo's 'Signs of Grace'

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

It would seem that the last thing anyone needs is yet another guide to Notre Dame. But Father Nicholas Ayo's new book, "Signs of Grace: Meditations on the Notre Dame Campus," is perhaps the panacea for the humdrum campus guide.

The book doesn't deal with just specific places on the campus, but rather it is a collection of Ayo's musings on the meaning of campus spaces. It is a spiritual

guide to finding meaning at Notre Dame.

Ayo, a professor in the Program of Liberal Studies, compiled the writings to help people find meaning in lives that all too often exist in the work-a-day world.

"We all need a dream. We cannot live without a dream. We want our story, the story of our life, to be part of a larger story. We cannot live without meaning, and our own life in isolation has no compelling purpose," Ayo wrote.

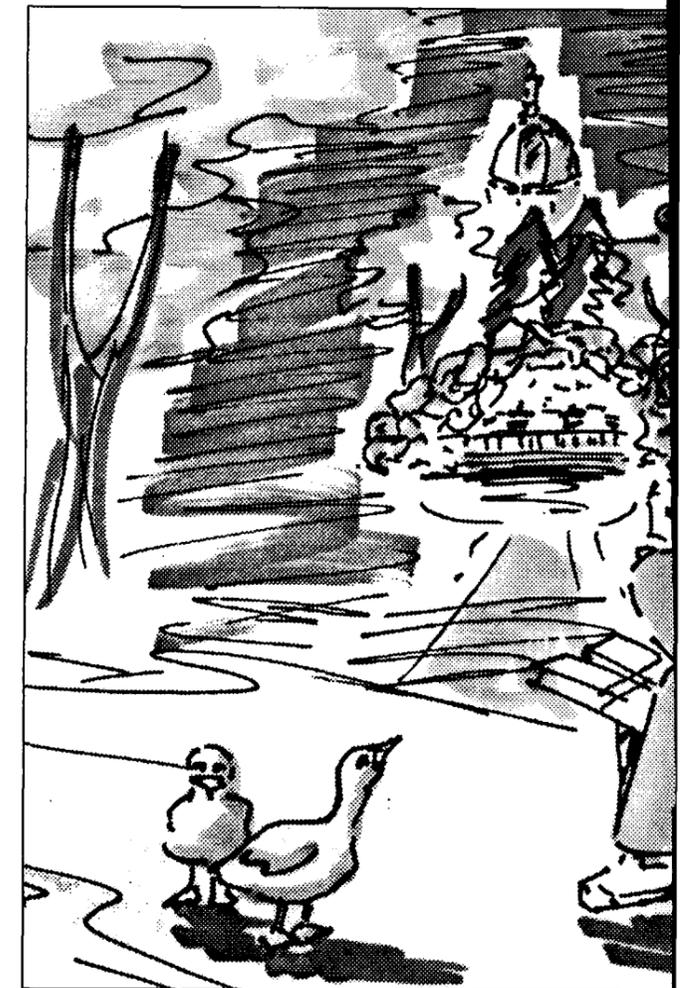
"Signs of Grace" is, in fact, the perfect chance for over-worked and over-stressed Notre Dame students to take a minute and reflect on their lives.

It may sound silly at first, but Ayo's honest and beautiful writing and poetry will capture the heart of even the most ardent skeptic. But Ayo's writings go beyond the basic "what's great about Notre Dame" drivel.

For example, Ayo not only addresses Notre Dame spiritual standards such as the Dome and the Grotto, but he also shares his reflections on often-overlooked places like the Notre Dame power plant — a building he feels represents the fragility of human life.

The book is, as would be expected, deeply religious in nature. It is not, however, meant to preach. Ayo isn't trying to convert or convince, rather he is simply sharing what he finds beautiful in his life. But Ayo's eloquent prose will undoubtedly make many readers realize that they share his views.

"Signs of Grace" relates aspects of Notre Dame to stories in the Bible and the Great Books. For example, Ayo points out the relation of the reflection of Christ the teacher in "The Word of Life" (Touchdown Jesus) in the Hesburgh Library's reflecting pool to Dante's "Commedia" and the story



of the unnamed woman who washes the feet of Jesus with her tears and dries them with her hair.

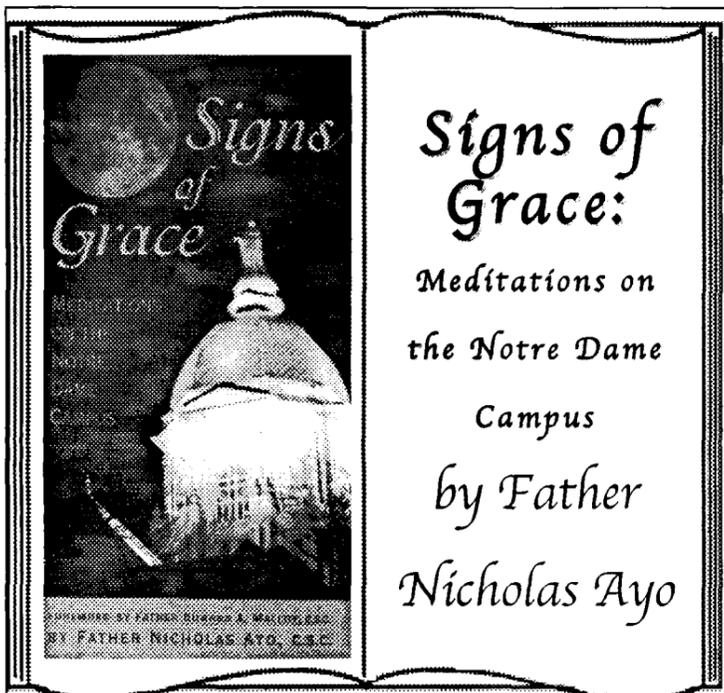
The book is a wonderfully uplifting read, despite personal beliefs or religious and philosophical differences. "Signs of Grace" is a leisurely read that enthusiasts will reread over and over again for hope and wisdom.

Ayo's eclectic use of literature, art, religion and history presents an interesting depiction of personal meaning for the book's readers. Whether or not readers agree with Ayo, they will certainly be moved by his meditations.

In the end, Signs of Grace is a book about love: Ayo's undying affection for God, life, Notre Dame and her children. It is, at once, his love poem, prayer and present for the Notre Dame community.

"I know not where there could be better students," Ayo wrote. "That is not to say that Notre Dame students always behave well. They are human, and they are sinful too. But they are the best students in the world, in part because they are on this campus best loved."

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by Father
Nicholas Ayo

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Small town reporter longs for invigoration of 'Truth' in Collins' new novel

By JULIE BENDER
Scene Writer

Murder, mystery and the desperation of a quiet American town are the central themes of this novel by Michael Collins. Shortlisted for the Booker Prize, "The Keepers of Truth" takes the drama of a small town in the late 1970s and turns it into a national mystery.

The novel opens with a gloomy description of the desolation and emptiness of this post-industrial town. Dilapidated and crumbling, ancient factories provide the backdrop of the loneliness, hopelessness and suicide that haunts the history of the town. Once bustling and important, the town has now become a void on the map.

Mirroring this wretchedness is the life of Bill, the central character of the novel. Bill is the progeny of once-important figures from the days of production and abundance of the town.

A reporter for the daily newspaper, The Truth, Bill yearns to write essays examining the current state of America and why what was once enlivening hope has faded into mere hopelessness.

Condemned for his post-college enthusiasm, Bill is confined to writing reports of high school sporting events and town bake-offs. This drear monotony casts a sour shadow over life for Bill.

He sees his future already carved for him down a path of inescapable barrenness. Hope died with the suicide of his father a few years prior.

Very quickly, however, the pace of the novel accelerates when a town resident, Ronny Lawson, reports that his father is missing. Rumors of murder and betrayal filter among the people, and Bill latches on to the case with a newfound intensity.

Seeing a possibility for national recognition, and in that a chance to free himself from the shackles of middle-American dreariness, Bill entangles himself in the story and uncovers an unknown dimension of the town. This discovery reveals the true nature of humanity, one that transcends rules and law.

Collins writes this novel with a rare precision of language. Detailed are the minor occurrences of everyday life, which contribute to the universality of the town and its inhabitants.

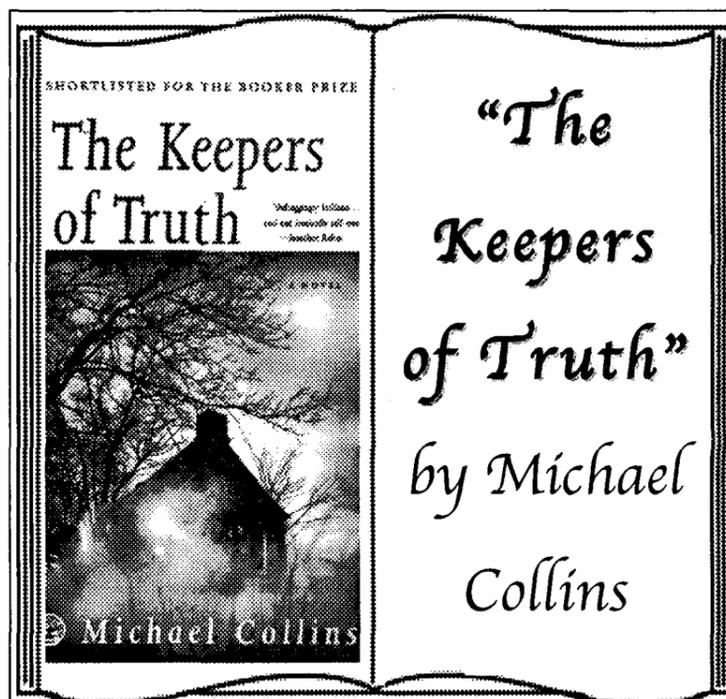
With elaborate descriptions of the destitute town and its despondent people, a scene unfolds effortlessly in the minds of readers.

Perhaps most striking is Collins' ability

to spawn characters of true humanity and reality. Such personalities are captivating and aid in the vacuuming suspense of the novel.

A truly enjoyable read, "The Keepers of Truth" engages the reader in not just a mystery, but a search for the essence of humanity.

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'Quotable Rockne' speaks from beyond the grave

ongoing series of "Potent Quotables" books published by Towle House. The 110 pages of quotes from Rockne include all the important ones that die-hard Notre Dame fans use as part of common banter: "Pardon me girls, I thought this was the Notre Dame team." "That's when we go — that's when we lift our knees high and go inside of 'em and outside of 'em — inside of 'em and outside of 'em — that's when we charge down the field — that's when we go! Go! Go!" And of course: "Win just one for the Gipper."

But the pocket-sized book is more than a simple collection of quotes. It captures the true spirit of Notre Dame in its celebration of Rockne's life, not only as a coach, but as a mentor and a motivator as well.

The book captures Rockne's wit on such subjects as what the football team was doing in the off-season: "I don't know whether we ought to have spring practice this year or not. It might take too much time from your drinking and necking."

The coach's wisdom on personal pride is found here as well: "The one thing no one can ever take away from you is your integrity." And he gives lessons in humility, "the lesson every athlete must learn in secret commune with his soul — or he gets it in big sour doses on the field as thousands roar."

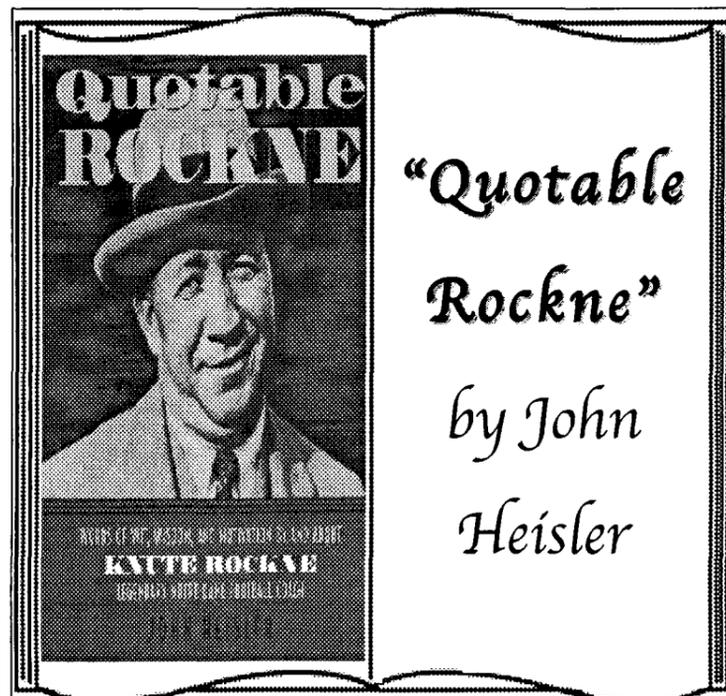
In his introduction, Heisler revisits Rockne's tenure at Notre Dame and the power of the legend that he left behind. The short passages of the opening pages relive the shock surrounding Rockne's death, the highlights of his 13 years at Notre Dame and the remembrances that still exist today.

The book's final pages are dedicated to quotes about the great coach from people

such as president Ronald Reagan, former University President Charles L. O'Donnell, and Will Rogers. They set in stone what the previous pages have established: that Knute Rockne was capable of moving mountains with his words and leaving an impression upon the spirit of Notre Dame that is incalculable.

In short, the words chosen from Rockne's long list of famous sayings and copied down in "Quotable Rockne" have captured the heart of Notre Dame's hero and still offer inspiration to today's readers.

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By KATIE McVOY
Scene Writer

Seventy-five years ago, a man used to walk into the barbershop and ask, "And how are all the coaches today?" He also threw insults, threatened to quit his job in the middle of important employment opportunities and said he aimed for maximum deception. And no, he wasn't one of Al Capone's thugs.

This man was Knute Rockne. Since his death in 1931, Notre Dame's Rockne has lived on in legend and is famous for perfecting the forward pass, coaching such greats as George Gipp and the Four Horsemen and holding the highest winning percentage in college football.

But the most famous stories about this football legend find their home in locker room speeches and motivational quips that could turn a losing team into an unstoppable predator.

In the latest book immortalizing him, "Quotable Rockne," his most famous words on coaching, winning, losing, life and Notre Dame find their way into print. Author John Heisler, Notre Dame's associate athletic director for sports information, has done a thorough job of compiling this comprehensive collection of witticisms, criticisms and inspirational phrases from Notre Dame's most legendary coach.

The book, which covers Rockne on topics as varied as defensive strategy and teaching techniques, is part of an



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CONCERT REVIEW

DiFranco's dynamism doesn't disappoint

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Scene Music Critic

In one word, Ani DiFranco's show at the Morris Performing Arts Center last night was amazing.

However, DiFranco's artistic might cannot and should not be summed up in a single word. In fact, the entire English-language dictionary probably could not supply the vocabulary necessary to fully describe her all-encompassing stage presence.

In the first show of her winter 2002 tour, DiFranco took control of the audience just like she took control of her own destiny by starting her own record company, Righteous Babe Records, more than a decade ago.

Her success rests in her intricate braiding of melody, emotion and obsession into one authentic artistic experience. She knows that pleasing herself must be of the utmost importance; the rest will just fall into place.

DiFranco's commitment to an organic concert atmosphere brought her fans to their feet the moment she slipped into the light.

The diverse crowd's unrestrained enthusiasm welcomed her to the stage, where she opened her 17-song set with her "Welcome to the Freak Show" mantra alongside keyboardist Julie Wolf.

With miles of traveling the concert circuit already behind her, DiFranco's seasoned stage presence was well groomed. She said that waiting for this latest tour felt like forever.

"Well, this is the first hit of the tour ... It feels like 30 years," DiFranco said. "Total amnesia. Total menstrual amnesia."

sia."

Bringing in songs off her new album, *Revelling/Reckoning*, as well as some "resuscitated" tunes off *Dilate*, *Not A Pretty Girl* and *Out of Range*, DiFranco aimed to please new and old fans alike.

In many ways, Tuesday's concert fused her tidy folk history with a distinct experimental yet experienced funk sound. Horns, courtesy of Todd Horntime and Hans Teuber, were present on nearly every song, as was a choppy retro organ.

As always, her familiar bassist Jason Mercer and hearty drummer Daren Hahn kept all these members in friendly accordance. Working together to create a tantric mix of high and low, this quintet busted out tunes impregnated with the soul of a music genre all their own.

Her first song, "Diner" (originally off of *Out of Range*), introduced DiFranco's new horn sound with thoughtfulness, piquing the audience's interest.

The cult classic "32 Flavors" was more funkified and breathy than the album counterpart, due in part to Wolf's retro organ humming in the background. Despite the slight change from the norm, the audience had no problem

singing along with their favorite riot grrl.

The new songs proved to be carefully chosen. "What How When Where (Why Who)" was no exception. In a breathless echoing race, DiFranco and her bandmates fought out through the song, leaving the audience gasping for air along with them.

Also off the new album, "Marrow" proved to be a heartfelt, genuine song

in concert. Its lullabye prose silenced the audience. DiFranco tells stories. Like kindergarteners, her fans wait patiently for recognition or resolution or revelation. She is a selfless teacher of street wisdom and female ingenuity.

Her new song, "Here for Now," brought in a captivating Latin beat unique to DiFranco's tried and true sound. Fierce and energetic, DiFranco considers it to be "all about all of us playing as fast as we humanly can."

DiFranco also brought back "Hour Follows It," in an attempt to satisfy her "mission to resuscitate some older tunes." An honest, heartfelt and grasping song, DiFranco carefully pondered unspoken issues, all the while incorporating the audience in her soul search.

Putting down the guitar is a rare event for DiFranco. Known for her muscle-building strumming and skin-burning finger picking, she is quite the master of her craft.

However, she joined Wolf on the keyboards for "Oh My My," one of her new songs. A funky, retro beat kept the audience entranced even though their shining star left center stage.

There wasn't a silent voice in the crowd when DiFranco introduced a rockin' version of her much adored "Napoleon." With a gospel organ in the background and fierce instrumentation throughout, this *Dilate* champion filled an overflowing show over the top.

Shrouded in aquamarine light for most of the show, DiFranco floated from one favorite to the next. Appeasing a rather desperate audience, she played an impromptu version of "Fuel," the first in line of her brave reflections on the ugly sides of contemporary American culture. Followed by "Subdivision," it seemed as though the audience knew "Fuel" deserved to precede.

DiFranco is known for her courage to spit in the face of normalcy, and this willingness to step outside the box gives her an unparalleled ability to reflect on her perceived inconsistencies of Americana. She led Tuesday night's audience on a journey through her tortured brain and the resolutions she has created.

The boys exited the stage while Wolf left her keyboards to join DiFranco up front. With Wolf on accordion and DiFranco on guitar, "Educated" turned



AMANDA HUGHES/The Observer

Indie rocker Ani DiFranco opened her Tuesday night show at the Morris Performing Arts Center with energetic drumming that set the evening's mood.

out to be an excellent new song.

Bathed in a rainbow white ethereal glow, the two nicely blended their separate talents to create a potential future fan favorite.

DiFranco's solo strumming on "Names and Dates" melded her acoustic talent with thoughtful lyrics. The audience remained silent while she fiercely fingerpicked her way through a tense batch of words.

The concert tied up nicely with "Done Wrong" from *Dilate* and a jam session version of "In The Way" in which the band was introduced. By the time they took their bows after "Jukebox" the audience was already prepared to usher in the encore.

What ensued was a beautiful version of "Joyful Girl," in which DiFranco coyly reflected on the past year.

"I don't know about you, but the new year that just occurred was so cathartic," she said as she brought the show full circle. "We are fixin' to attach so much meaning."

If possible, their encore version of "Joyful Girl" was more soulful and reminiscent than the album version. Slowed down and restrained, it proved DiFranco's stamina and focus.

She recognizes her grassroots upbringing, and she knows the impact of a powerful live show.

Word of mouth may be responsible for DiFranco's current fame, but the words from her mouth are the substance behind the phenomenon.

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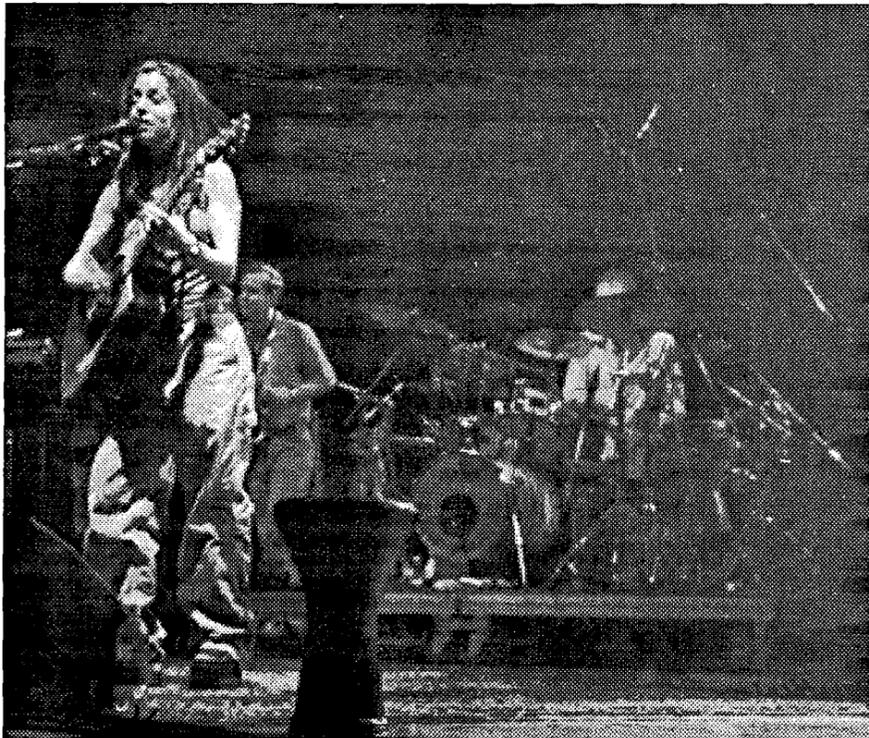
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Subdivision
Educated
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Done Wrong
In the Way
Jukebox

Encore:

Joyful Girl



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From folk to funk to pure acoustic rock, DiFranco and her band produced a variety of sounds for the eager Morris Center crowd.

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NBA

Rose, Artest switch teams in megadeal

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Indiana Pacers president Donnie Walsh insisted he wasn't shopping Jalen Rose, but he would listen to offers.

He heard one he liked Tuesday.

The Pacers traded Rose, Travis Best, rookie Norm Richardson and a conditional second-round draft pick to the Chicago Bulls for Brad Miller, Ron Mercer, Ron Artest and Kevin Ollie, two days before the NBA trading deadline.

"We're better along," Walsh said. "We have some parts we didn't have and are hard to get. That's why it calls for a Jalen Rose."

Walsh said Bulls general manager Jerry Krause called him right before he left for the All-Star break and made an offer for Rose. Walsh discussed a potential trade with Chicago later in the week and the deal was tentatively made Sunday.

"We feel Jalen is an outstanding all-around player who can play three positions offensively and defensively," Krause said.

Some hang-ups developed — the Bulls substituted Mercer for forward Charles Oakley — before Walsh agreed to the deal Tuesday morning. Walsh said he wanted Oakley in the deal but the Bulls pulled him off the table because of salary-cap issues.

"He would have been a good player to have here," Walsh said. "They felt they needed his mentoring for their two young big guys."

Rose said after Indiana's victory over Philadelphia that Walsh promised him he wouldn't be traded. Walsh said he never made that promise, and added

that speculation that Rose and coach Isiah Thomas could not coexist was not a factor in the deal.

Rose's agent, David Falk, blamed Thomas for the trade.

"I think he's disillusioned with his former coach," Falk said. "About 18 months ago, Jalen recommended Isiah as his coach. This is the way Isiah reciprocated his loyalty."

"He could have had Jalen eating out of his hands, but instead he injected petty, personal issues that drove a wedge between them. Look at his track record, like the CBA, and that's the way he is."

Falk said he was on the phone almost daily with Walsh to improve the situation brought on by a decrease in playing time that started in December. Falk said he never asked for a trade.

"If you're going to be a good coach, your job is to manage good relations with players," Falk said. "He should have the easiest time on earth taking Jalen under his wing and helping him achieve what his talents allowed him to achieve. He did just the opposite this year. He made the relationship personal."

Walsh said Tuesday night that he was the one responsible for the trade and reiterated it was not made because of any problems between Thomas and Rose.

"There was a time they were going through communication problems but they got through that," Walsh said. "Those are David's feelings. That isn't why we made this trade. I have a lot of respect for David and a deep feeling for Jalen. In the end, I try to do what's best for the team."

Falk released a statement from Rose, saying, "In every adverse situation, suc-

cessful people find opportunity."

Thomas was not immediately available for comment.

The deal significantly upgrades the Pacers frontcourt lacking size and depth. Walsh said the 7-foot, 260-pound Miller and 6-7, 245-pound Artest have the big bodies he was looking to acquire.

Walsh has practically completed the dismantling of a franchise that reached the NBA Finals two years ago. Only Reggie Miller and Austin Croshere are regulars left from that team. Since then, the Pacers are 67-68.

"It's hard thinking about all the guys I came in with and played my first three years with," Croshere said. "Now Reggie is the only guy left from my rookie year. I understand that's part of the business, and I guess Jalen did too."

Rose was leading the Pacers in scoring (18.5) for the third straight season and said he had no desire to be traded. He had taken a backseat in the offense as the focus shifted inside to Jermaine O'Neal. The additions of Artest and Miller allow the Pacers to shift O'Neal to a more natural power forward spot.

Best, in the final year of his contract, had requested a trade earlier this season as rookie Jamaal Tinsley played the majority of minutes at point guard.

The Pacers are four games out of first place in the Central Division while Chicago (12-40) has the NBA's worst record.

Mercer, who signed with the Bulls as a free agent two summers ago, has been traded three times during his 4 1/2 seasons in the NBA. He was leading the Bulls in scoring, averaging 16.8 points.

Miller, an Indiana native who played at Purdue, averaged 12.7 points and 8.4

rebounds for Chicago. He was involved in an altercation with Lakers center Shaquille O'Neal earlier this season that led to a three-game suspension for O'Neal.

Artest, in his third season, averaged 15.6 points for Chicago.

Ollie, who had been Chicago's starting point guard since Greg Anthony was injured in January, will replace Best as the backup point guard.

Richardson had played in only three games this season for Indiana.

Rose had five years remaining on his contract, with \$72 million guaranteed. Walsh said dumping Rose's contract helps clear space to potentially re-sign O'Neal, Jonathan Bender and Jeff Foster, whose contracts expire at the end of next season.

Thomas said he would slot Bender into Rose's small forward spot to try to keep some sort of chemistry on the court. He would like to start Miller at center. Thomas said he envisioned Mercer playing more minutes at small forward.

Walsh, who has made only three mid-season deals since he took over the Pacers in 1986, said he might not be done dealing but said it would be hard to make another trade.

"Do I have a trade going out of this room? No, I don't," he said. "But I don't know what's going to happen."

Falk said he had great respect for Walsh and the trade wouldn't affect their relationship.

"When he signed (Rose) to a maximum contract, he made the commitment the team would be built around him," Falk said. "Isiah interfered with those commitments. One of them had to go. I think they chose the wrong one."

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Canseco's search for 500 to continue in Montreal

Associated Press

JUPITER, Fla.

Jose Canseco, needing 38 home runs to reach 500 for his career, signed a minor league contract with the Montreal Expos on Tuesday and was invited to spring training.

Canseco, 37, is expected to join the Expos for their first full-squad workout Thursday. Primarily a designated hitter

in recent years, the outfielder will try to make his first NL team.

"He was a free agent and was available, so I thought he was worth trying," Expos general manager Omar Minaya said.

"He is a veteran player, a power hitter who still has

"He was a free agent and available, so I thought he was worth trying."

Omar Minaya
Expos general manager

incentive since he is trying to reach the 500-home run mark."

Canseco signed last June with the Chicago White Sox and hit .258 with 256 at-bats. He played 76

games, almost all of them as a DH. In the last three seasons, he has played just 13 games in the field. He made two appearances last season. Canseco is a six-time All-Star and ranks 22nd on the career home run list with 462, three behind Dave Winfield. He is second among active players, trailing only Barry Bonds (567).

Canseco has played for

Oakland, Texas, Boston, Toronto, Tampa Bay, the Yankees and the White Sox.

The AL Rookie of the Year in 1986, Canseco was the AL MVP in 1988, the year he became the first player in major league history to hit 40 home runs and steal 40 bases in the same season.

Canseco and Fred McGriff are the only players ever to hit 30 home runs in a season for four different teams.

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NFL EXPANSION DRAFT

Texans nab Boselli with first pick

Associated Press

HOUSTON

With face-painted fans shouting his name, Tony Boselli became the Houston Texans' top pick Monday — the second time an expansion team began building a franchise around him.

"We have a Hall-of-Famer and we haven't played a game," general manager Charley Casserly said.

After five Pro Bowl seasons as an offensive tackle with the Jacksonville Jaguars, Boselli proved to be too attractive for the Texans to pass up, even at a huge cost.

Hundreds of Texans fans wearing blue-and-red jerseys and helmets with bulls' horns cheered the choice of Boselli, who missed most of last season with a shoulder injury that makes him something of a question mark. He seemed equally enthused about joining the new team.

"I've been with a group of guys that no one thought could play before," Boselli said. "The sooner this team comes together and becomes cohesive the sooner we can be good."

Boselli was the first player chosen by the expansion Jaguars in 1995 and quickly became a dominant offensive lineman. He has allowed 15 sacks in his seven pro seasons.

The first eight choices came

from just three teams — the Jaguars, the New York Jets and Baltimore, all of whom had serious cap problems.

"Obviously Charley knew the teams in cap trouble — us, Baltimore and Jacksonville," said Terry Bradway, general manager of the Jets, who lost starting right tackle Ryan Young and both starting cornerbacks, Aaron Glenn and Marcus Coleman.

The Texans, who will play their first game against the New York Giants on Aug. 5 in the Hall of Fame game in Canton, Ohio, also took three players from Jacksonville, including defensive tackles Seth Payne and Gary Walker. Baltimore, the 2001 Super Bowl winner, lost starting linebacker Jamie Sharper and Jermaine Lewis, one of the NFL's best kick returners.

The Texans took 19 players in the expansion draft. They also planned to make use of free agency and will get the first pick in the college draft on April 20.

"We got experience at positions that are hard," coach Dom Capers said. "We got two starting offensive tackles, two starting defensive linemen and a playmaker in Jermaine Lewis."

Glenn, who played college football at nearby Texas A&M, said he was happy to be coming home.

"I don't know what the Jets

were thinking," Glenn said. "But I'll tell you, they did a favor for us. I think me and Marcus will do well on this team. The fact that we played together in New York will make it easier on us to communicate."

"Inside, you guys can never know how I feel. I've always been a fan of any team in Texas ... except the Longhorns. I never thought I'd get a chance to come back home and play football."

The Texans are expected to make Fresno State quarterback

David Carr their first pick in the college player draft in April. In the 17th round Monday, they chose quarterback Danny Wuerffel from the Chicago Bears.

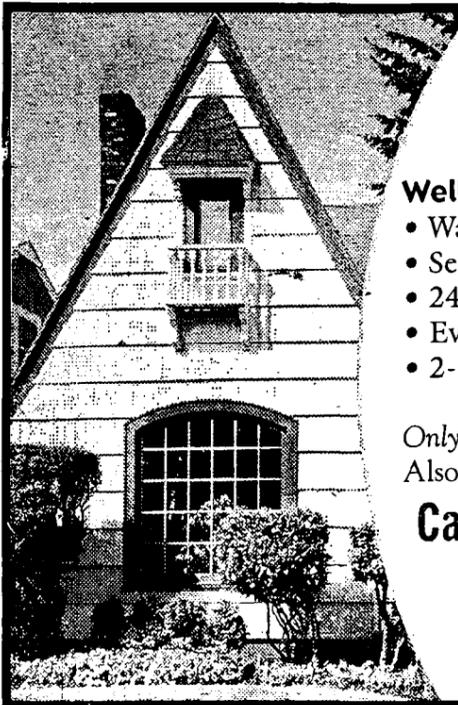
Wuerffel has been strictly a third-stringer for most of his career, meaning Carr will have to learn quickly. That was one reason the Texans concentrated on quality offensive linemen — or, beyond Boselli and Young, what pass for quality in an expansion draft.

Sharper was a mainstay of

the Baltimore defense that led the Ravens to their Super Bowl victory.

"I'm definitely ready to move on, I can get out of Ray Lewis' shadow," Sharper said. "I can play for Dom Capers' defense, the 3-4, where linebackers have a bigger part to play. I'll be able to get more sacks."

The Texans had to take at least 30 players in the draft or a lesser number of players totaling 38 percent of the league's \$71.8 million salary cap.



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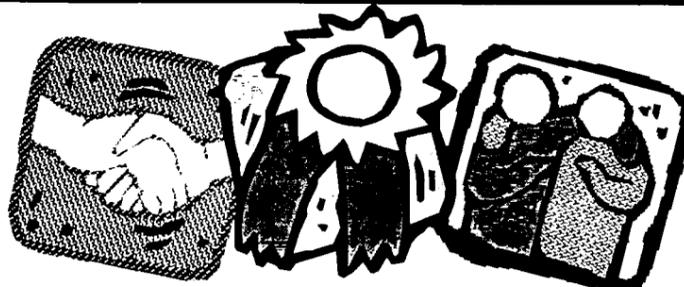
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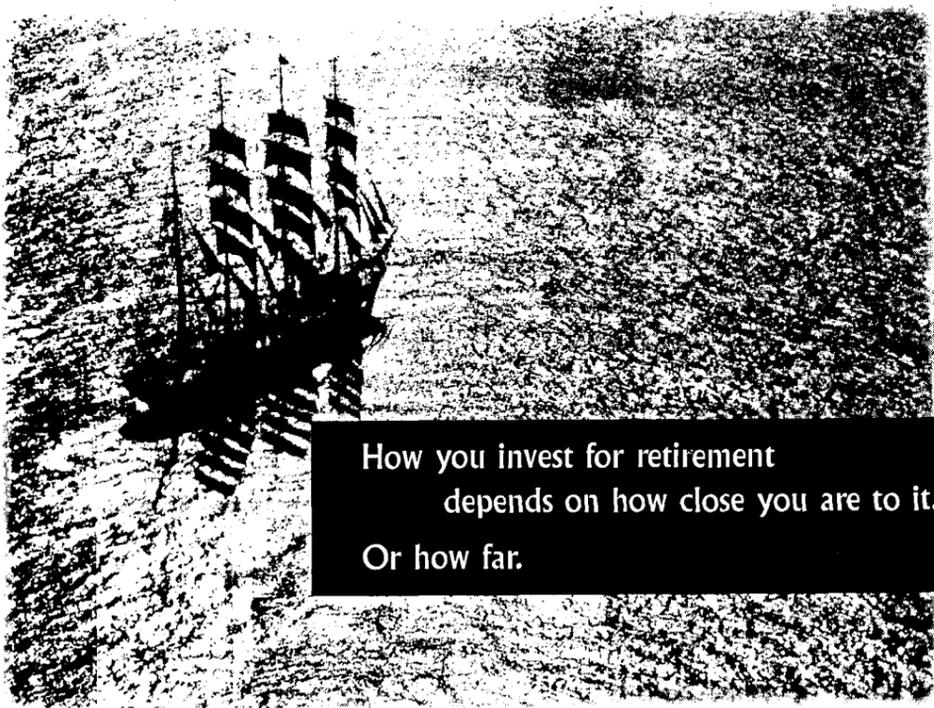
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NBA

Kidd leads Nets with triple-double

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. Jason Kidd had 26 points, 12 assists and 12 rebounds for his league-high sixth triple-double, and 44th of his career, to lead the New Jersey Nets to a 123-115 victory over the Golden State Warriors on Tuesday night.

Lucious Harris added 19 points as New Jersey finished with seven players in double figures in winning their third straight game, and sending the Warriors to their eighth straight road loss and 16th in 17 games.

Antawn Jamison and Jason Richardson each had 25 points for Golden State in the wild game in which the Nets opened a 24-point halftime lead and then had to hold off a late charge by the Warriors.

The game also featured 190 shots, 100 rebounds, five technicals, including two against Warriors forward Danny Fortson that resulted in his ejection in the third quarter.

Golden State, which trailed by as many as 25 points, got within 116-113 on two free throws by Richardson with 1:17 to play.

After New Jersey's Keith

Van Horn missed a 3-pointer on the ensuing possession, Richardson drove the lane after making a move from the left wing.

However, his shot was blocked by Kenyon Martin near the rim. The Warriors screamed at the officials, but no call was made.

Kerry Kittles added two free throws with 45.2 seconds to play and Kidd hit another after Richardson missed another shot, and the Warriors never threatened again.

New Jersey seemed on the verge of a runaway at the half. They shot 60 percent from the field and scored a season-high 75 first-half points in taking a 24-point lead.

Golden State made a game of it with a 16-2 spurt to open the second half. Even the ejection of Fortson, who had 16 points and nine rebounds, midway through the third didn't slow them down.

Down 116-105 with 3:09 to go, Richardson scored six points in an 8-0 run to cut the lead to three, but Golden State never got closer.

Larry Hughes added 20 points and 13 assists for Golden State. Kittles had 18 points for New Jersey.

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and in transition. Notre Dame scored 23 points off of West Virginia turnovers, many coming after each of point guard Le'Tania Severe's six steals.

The Irish held a 47-35

rebounding advantage, as six players finished with at least six rebounds. McGraw was pleased that her team dominated the boards without Batteast, the team's leading rebounder.

"When she's in the game we tend to stand around and watch her go to work, and when she's not in there I think everybody thinks, 'Boy, we better get in there and rebound,'" McGraw said. "I think that's what we're doing now. Everybody's getting a little more aggressive hitting the backboard."

Also appearing more aggressive was Severe, who ended up with 12 points and a career-high nine rebounds while playing the entire game. The sophomore showed off her foot speed, twice stealing the ball and driving past opponents for impressive lay-ups.

"We're trying to get her to penetrate and kick, and when they don't come to guard her, then she goes all the way in,"

McGraw said. "That's what we've been working on in practice. I think she's doing a great job of it."

After the Mountaineers jumped out to a 7-2 lead early and extended it to 12-7 midway through the first half, the Irish went on a 16-2 run to build a 23-14 lead. Ratay and Haney each scored 11 in the first half as the Irish built a 34-26 lead heading into the locker room.

"When I got in the locker room [Joyce] was getting taped and dressed. Everybody else seemed to know I was joking except Jeneka."

Muffet McGraw
head coach

Notes:

◆ After the Irish committed a costly turnover in the first half, McGraw looked down the bench at backup point guard Jeneka Joyce — who was in street clothes nursing a heel injury — and joked, "J, you're going to have to suit up for the second half."

When the Irish returned from the locker room for the final 20 minutes, Joyce had her leg taped up and her uniform on. But Joyce's name wasn't on the scoresheet, so McGraw would have been called for a technical if the sophomore entered the game.

"When I got in the locker room she was getting taped and dressed," McGraw said. "Everybody else seemed to know I was joking except for Jeneka."

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and win." The Belles cut the lead to 31-30 with 18:37 left in the game, but could not take the lead, thanks again to Vincke, who drilled 3-pointers on back-to-back Adrian possessions, helping extend the Bulldogs lead to 39-31. The Belles pulled as close as

five points with 13 minutes to go in the game, but could never overtake Adrian. the Belles take the court again.

For Saint Mary's seniors Elizabeth Linkous, Anne Blair and Jamie Dineen, the loss signifies the end of their careers as collegiate basketball players. Each will be missed immensely next season when

"These seniors have really laid the groundwork for this program to take off next year."

Suzanne Smith
head coach

Smith. "[Linkous] may not

"I can't even imagine how we are going to replace [Blair] as a leader," said

have the greatest physical abilities, [she may] not [be] the most talented athlete out there, but she works her butt off and she's very competitive. With Jamie, I'll miss that shooting of hers. She's got such a beautiful touch on her shot."

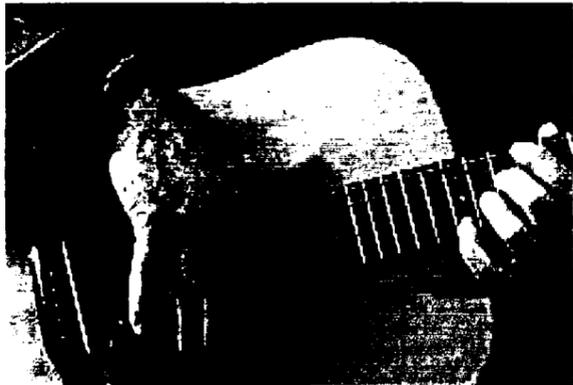
Despite the loss of the seniors, the Belles seem to have a very bright future ahead of them, with six freshmen and one sophomore — as well as three juniors —

returning for next season's club.

"I think we have a great opportunity [to be successful]," said Smith. "These seniors have really laid the groundwork for this program to take off next year. It's going to depend on what they do in the off-season."

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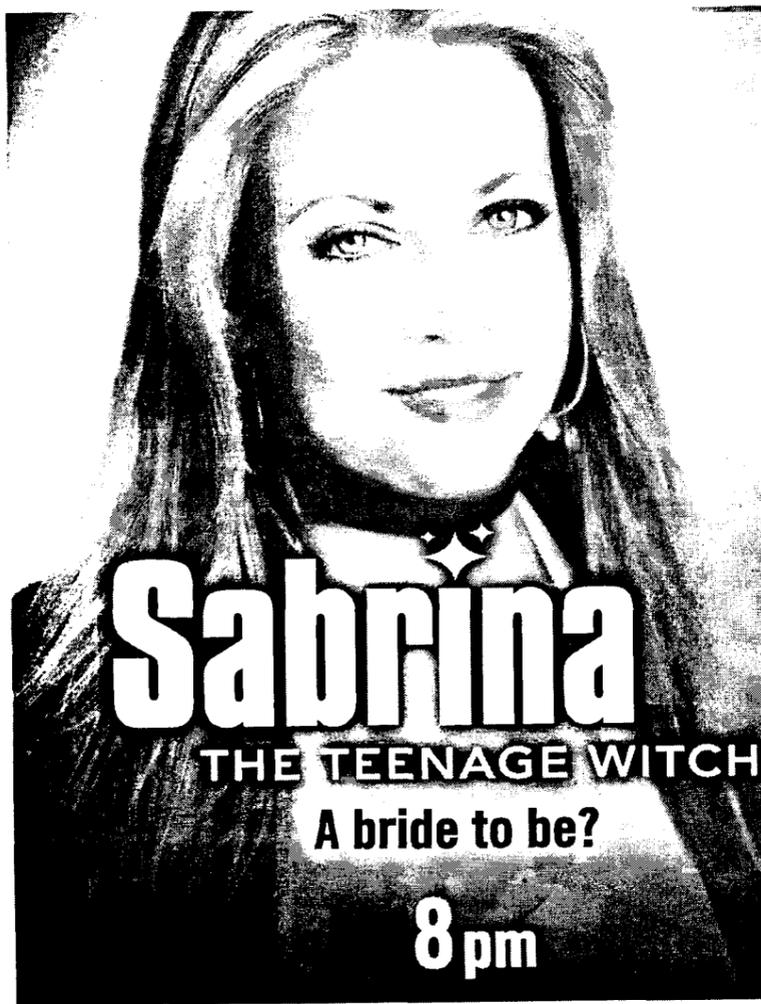
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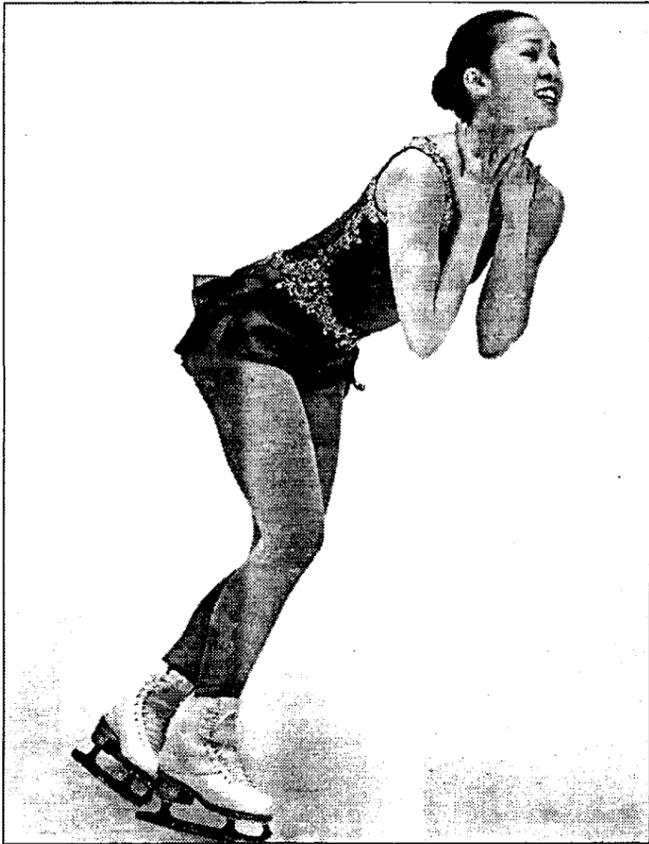
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FIGURE SKATING

Kwan leads Slutskaya in short program



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Michelle Kwan skates in the short program Tuesday. Kwan holds the lead after the first day.

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY

Not even the roars and shouts of the wildly patriotic crowd could disturb the serenity within Michelle Kwan.

Sure, she heard the frenzied noise even before she skated onto the ice — and found it inspiring. She captured Tuesday night's Olympic short program as much because of her calm as her desire to win one for her country.

"I'm proud to be an American and I tried to skate from my heart, tried to make Americans proud," Kwan said after edging Russian rival Irina Slutskaya. "It was an incredible moment for me."

"I am well prepared, in good shape, healthy. You've just got to feel you are fortunate already, before the start of the program. What I have done, no regrets. Just go out and have fun."

The cool and relaxed Kwan led a strong showing by the Americans, with Sasha Cohen placing third and Sarah Hughes fourth heading into Thursday night's free skate, worth two-thirds of the total score.

"It's amazing being part of the Olympics," the 21-year-old Kwan

said, "but actually having the Olympics in your home country is very special."

Particularly after her 1998 experience. The silver medalist at the Nagano Games now regrets not spending more time in Japan. She has been in Salt Lake City from the beginning of these Olympics, attending hockey games, hanging out in the athletes' village and generally enjoying her stay.

Even when TV coverage seems to show all Michelle, all the time.

"You can't get away from me," she said, laughing.

And when she took the ice for the short program, the four-time world champion and six-time U.S. title winner was composed and beaming.

That smile continued to light up her face after a terrific, if not perfect, performance. Although she under-rotated her triple flip, dropping her technical mark a bit, the showmanship was brilliant. At one point, she spiraled across more than half the rink, her arms extended and her face glowing with joy.

"Just let it all go," she said. "It's not worth holding back, because I've seen what can happen."

When Kwan was finished, she

shouted, "Go U-S-A" as dozens of flags waved and the standing ovation swelled. Then, she picked up a stuffed animal thrown onto the ice — along with hundreds of flowers — and sat down to watch her marks.

A stream of nine 5.9s for artistry, always her strength, made the difference as she edged Slutskaya. But Slutskaya also had three third-place votes.

"My program is harder — harder jumps, harder spins, harder steps," Slutskaya said when asked about three judges placing her behind Cohen. "Oh, well, it's sport. Judges judge."

The Russian, who landed a slightly more difficult combination, has beaten Kwan six times in their last eight meetings, but was runner-up to her at the last two world championships. In those events, Slutskaya won the short program, Kwan took the free skate.

On Thursday, Kwan skates next-to-last, followed by Slutskaya.

Slutskaya's performance, to music by Schubert, lacked spark but was technically sharp. Especially nice were her layback and combination spins, and her jumps were as smooth as freshly shaved ice.

SPEEDSKATING

Parra wins gold, sets 1,500-meter record

Associated Press

KEARNS, Utah

Derek Parra set a world record in the 1,500 meters to claim Olympic gold Tuesday, becoming the first double-medalist for the Americans at the speedskating oval.

Parra's stunning time of 1 minute, 43.95 seconds was more than a second lower than the pre-Olympic mark of 1:45.20 held by South Korea's Lee Kyu-hyuk.

"You give up so much, hoping for a moment like this, and it happens," Parra said, his voice cracking with emotion as he wiped his eyes.

Parra, a former inline skater from San Bernardino, Calif., added to the surprising silver he won in the 5,000.

Jochem Uytdehaage of the Netherlands, who took gold in the 5,000, settled for silver this time. He was the first skater to break the world record, but his time of 1:44.57 was best for only about an hour.

In the 5,000, Parra was the first skater to break the world record, only to have the Dutch skater take the mark even lower.

Norway's Adne Sondral, the defending 1,500 champion, made a late charge to steal the bronze away from American sprinter Joey Cheek, who was on world-record pace until fading badly on the final lap.

Cheek, who won bronze in the 1,000, missed a second

medal by just 0.08 seconds. Another U.S. skater, Nick Pearson, was sixth, as Americans claimed half of the top six places, continuing their remarkable performance at the Utah Olympic Oval.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld was among the sell-out crowd that applauded the 5-foot-4 American, who carried a U.S. flag that was taller than him on his victory lap.

"I can't dunk, so I've got to skate," Parra said.

The home team has won seven medals in seven long-track events, just one short of its best performance ever with three events to go.

If you count Apolo Anton Ohno's short-track silver, the Americans have matched the mark of the 1980 team, which was dominated by Eric Heiden's five gold medals.

Parra became the third American speedskater to win gold, joining Casey FitzRandolph and Chris Witty.

Parra blew kisses to the crowd and pointed toward some 30 family and friends, all wearing "Team Parra" sweatshirts. When he spotted his wife, Tiffany, he mouthed, "I love you."

"Out of all the crowd, I could see her face," Parra said. "It was really uplifting because we've been apart so much."

Tiffany Parra wasn't in the arena when her husband won his surprising silver in the 5,000. She watched on television from her parent's Florida home with their newborn

daughter, Mia Elizabeth.

This time, Tiffany Parra was in the stands to see an even better performance by her husband, making so much racket on the temporary medal bleachers that she worried about falling through.

"I was a little more emotional than I thought I would be," she said. "I usually keep all that on the inside."

After Parra took part in the medals ceremony, he bounded off the podium — still in his clap skates — to embrace his wife, the couple breaking down in tears as they embraced for nearly a minute.

Parra, who eats Fig Newtons the night before every race, still has another event left, the 10,000. While the Dutch usually dominate at the sport's longest race, don't discount America's newest Olympic star.

"The bronze is next," his brother, Gilbert, said. "He deserves all three colors."

Parra was clearly relaxed as he warmed up. He waved his hands like a conductor as he passed a Dutch band, Kleintje Pils ("Small Beer"), which was serenading from the stands.

Uytdehaage, racing in the ninth of 24 pairs, became the first skater to break Lee's mark. A distance specialist, the Dutchman had a great finishing kick.

The orange-clad Dutch contingent erupted in cheers, holding up signs that said "If It Ain't Dutch, It Ain't Much" and "The UnDutchables."



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Derek Parra celebrates his victory in the 1,500-meters Tuesday. Parra became the first 2002 American double-medalist.



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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Hungry Mountaineers ready for Irish feast

By **KERRY SMITH**
Sports Writer

An 8-16 team with a lone conference win ordinarily would not scare the Irish.

But the West Virginia squad coming to the Joyce Center tonight is no ordinary struggling team.



Graves

The Mountaineers are hungry. They blew a 15-point lead in a home loss to the Irish in January. They have no chance at post-season play.

Their head coach Gale Catlett just resigned in the midst of his worst season in 30 years.

And with just four games remaining in the regular season, they have nothing to lose. And the Irish know it.

"West Virginia scares the hell out of me, that's for sure," Irish forward David Graves said, fol-

lowing a Sunday loss to Syracuse. "They're a scary team. The coach dismisses himself and you never know how the kids are going to respond."

Yet without knowing exactly how the team will react, Graves is in a good position to guess — playing under three coaches in four seasons, he's been there.

"I've been in that situation and when a coach is let go or retires, you feel like you failed him," Graves said Tuesday. "You feel like you're the player that goes out and performs and you didn't get the job done and he's the one who has to pay the consequences for it. I've been in those shoes before ... You just kind of pin your ears back and play."

That type of reaction from Mountaineer players could be all the more likely, as Catlett publicly attacked his players for their lack of pride after losing to Virginia Tech Feb. 13, the day before he resigned.

Now, with Catlett's nephew, assistant coach Drew Catlett,

manning the bench, the Mountaineers find themselves in the role of spoiler.

"I think for them it's their Big East tournament," Irish head coach Mike Brey said. "They don't go to the Big East tournament, so to beat Notre Dame or Georgetown at home, that's their Big East tournament — to try to get one of those."

The Irish, who have stumbled in their last two outings, know how important it is to pick up wins in their final leg of the regular season — especially when their opposition has nothing to lose.

Because the Mountaineers threaten to come out and upset the Irish, Brey wants his team to step on the court with the same mental attitude.

"[The Mountaineers] are going to play very fearlessly

with nothing to lose," Brey said. "I think for us, we still want to play fearlessly and go after them and attack. That's a tricky situation to be in."

Winning games is key for the Irish, who at 17-8 overall and 7-5 in the Big East conference, are contending for a high seed in the conference's West Division and a berth in the NCAA tournament.

No one knows that better than point guard Chris Thomas, who has struggled in the team's two consecutive losses.

"Our backs are against the wall and we just have to get it done," point guard Chris Thomas said.

The freshman shot 0-14 from the field in Notre Dame's three-point loss to Rutgers and 3-11 in another three-point loss to Syracuse Sunday. Typically a deadly 3-point weapon, Thomas went a combined 1-14 from behind the arc in both

games.

But Brey is not overly worried about his starter.

"I haven't overanalyzed it with him. I think Chris is the kind of guy who can bounce back," he said. "He went through a little segment like that before. I have confidence he'll bounce back. I don't want him dwelling on his shot that much."

What Brey does want his team dwelling on is the keys to a victory against the Mountaineers.

Citing transition defense, rebounding and taking care of freshman guard Jonathan Hargett and senior forward Chris Moss, two of the team's most explosive offensive threats, Brey is focused on keeping his team's attention on the game at hand.

"We're in the stretch now, and every time we take the floor it will be important," Brey said. "West Virginia — their record isn't good but all I know is we were down 15 at the half. And so we have to be really ready to play."

"West Virginia scares the hell out of me, that's for sure. They're a scary team."

David Graves
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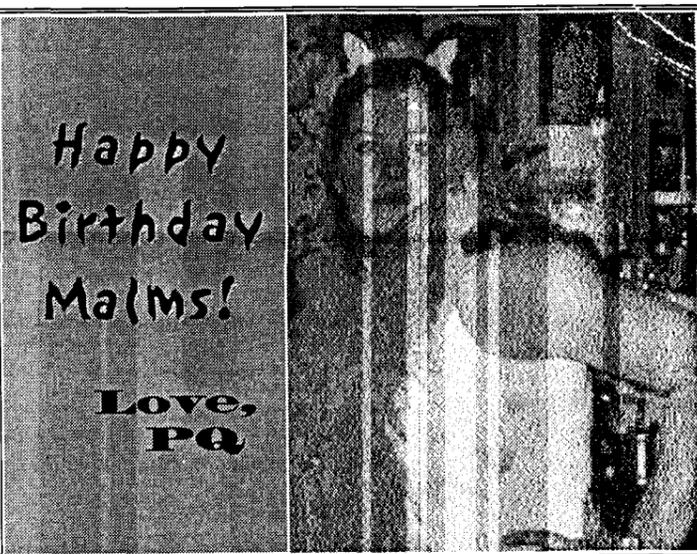
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MEN'S TENNIS

Surging No. 7 Irish ready for No. 63 Spartans

By KATIE HUGHES
Assistant Sports Editor

After a sweep of Purdue and a near sweep of Wisconsin last weekend, the No. 7 Irish face No. 63 Michigan State today.

"Two years ago we beat [Michigan State] really decisively," said head coach Bob Bayliss. "But they were awfully young and inexperienced. Now they have a lot of juniors and seniors, and they've gone from being able to hit hard to being able to hit hard and in the court. I expect a tough match."

Bayliss said he wasn't set on who would be playing in which spot today. But he has some room to move people around, especially at first and sixth singles, and at second and third doubles — for now.

"It gets sticky as season ends," said Bayliss. "The NCAA only lets you have a roster of eight, but that's a decision I'll have to make as the season goes on."

The Irish, who defeated Purdue by a 7-0 score over the weekend, are 4-1 against Big Ten teams this season, with their only loss coming at the hands of No. 32 Minnesota. They defeated No. 64 Wisconsin, 6-1.

Senior Javier Taborga, who is 10-2 in dual-match play and 17-7 overall, could play No. 1 singles today.

His string of impressive wins includes victories over defending NCAA singles and doubles champion Matias Boeker of Georgia (No. 1 in preseason singles rankings), No. 20 Jeremy Wurtzman of Ohio State, No. 21 Alex Hartman of Mississippi and No. 24 Michael Yani of Duke — with all these wins coming in straight sets.

Taborga was previously ranked No. 95 in the nation but may have moved up in Tuesday's rankings.

Aaron Talarico and No. 88 Casey Smith will play No. 2 and No. 3 singles. Luis Haddock-

Morales will play fourth, and Matt Scott will play fifth. At sixth singles, either Brian Farrell, Andrew Laffin or Brent D'Amico will play.

"[Javier] has really gotten the job done at one since he moved

up there," Bayliss said. "Casey has overall a 5-5 record, and at one, two and three he's holding his own. Luis has been playing great at four, and Matt Scott is unstoppable at five. We're still waiting for someone to step up

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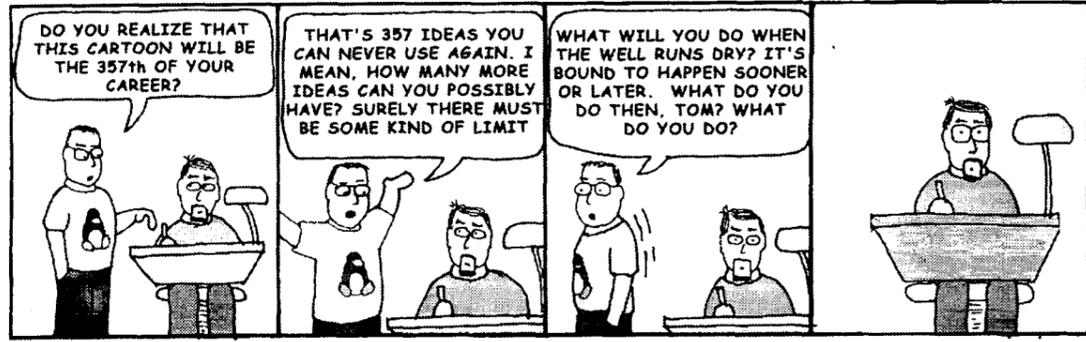
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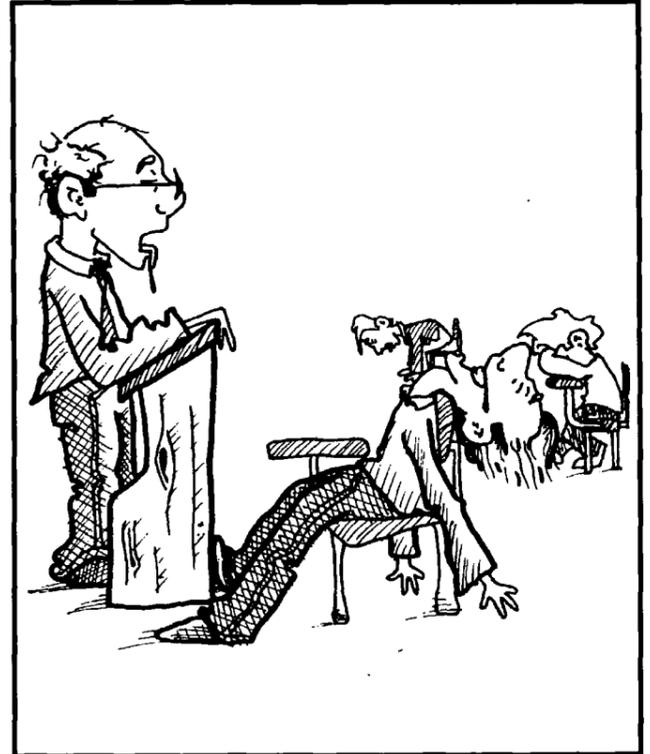
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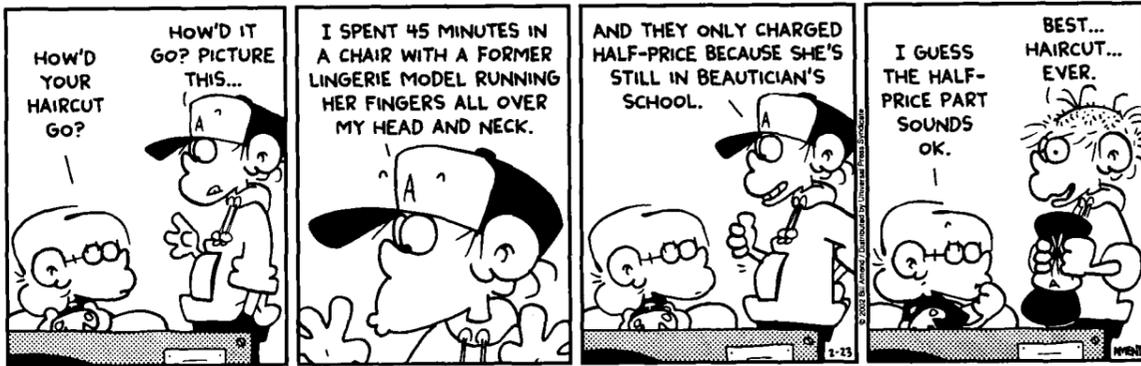
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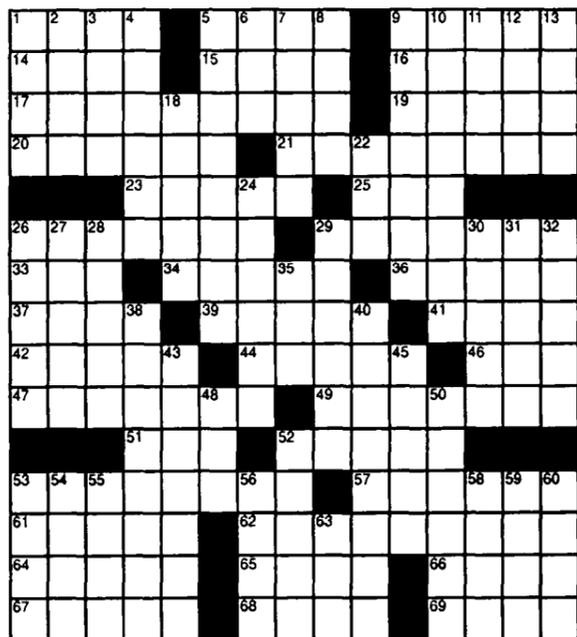
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 - 48 Roy Orbison's "___ Over"
 - 50 Nolan Ryan and others
 - 52 Sparkly paperweight
 - 53 Front-runner's edge
 - 54 Wheel shaft
 - 55 Stubborn sort
 - 56 Start of a Yuletide reading
 - 58 1970's coil
 - 59 Weak one
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Happy Birthday: Don't get involved in fast-cash schemes this year. Be reserved in your investments and cautious when dealing with other people's money or possessions. You may be asked to take care of the personal papers of an older individual who can no longer do the job alone. Your numbers are 9, 13, 19, 24, 31, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Friendships should take top priority today. Do something special for someone who has stood by you in the past. Your kind words and gestures will be well received and reciprocated.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be careful of anyone trying to talk you into parting with your cash. Limitations will result if you spend foolishly on something that is an out-and-out risk.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't be so down. If you let emotional matters cause upset, you will miss out on some rather unusual opportunities to meet interesting people.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will have to keep a close watch on who's doing what today. Gossip and misinformation will cause you grief if you don't keep things straight and refuse to get involved in petty discussions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll be in the limelight today, so be prepared to stand tall and make yourself heard. You should offer suggestions and do whatever research is necessary in order to make your ideas fly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Someone you thought you could

trust is probably trying to steal your ideas. Don't share your intentions with anyone. It's best to work by yourself for the time being.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your interest in different philosophies and cultures will draw you to all sorts of interesting events and seminars today. You stand to make new friends as well as discover information that will help you in the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may have to deal with an older relative today. Be prepared to troubleshoot if you have to regarding his or her financial, legal and health matters. The more you do for this person the better you will feel about yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Partnerships will be important today. If you are in a relationship, nurture it and it will flourish. If you aren't get out, attend functions and be open and receptive to people who could possibly become an important part of your future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Focus on work and you won't be sorry. Whether you are at home, volunteering or in the work force you can make a difference and you can get ahead. The more you do to help others the greater the rewards will be in return.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You should plan to get out and have some fun with good friends. The information you discover through the conversations you have will be surprising.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Concentrate on small but important details and you will avoid some of the backlash that you may receive should you get involved in a debate. Work quietly by yourself.

Birthday Baby: You have exceptional creative ability that must be expressed through art or entertainment. You have a desire to be first in all that you do. You are a dreamer and a survivor.

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MIAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Almost an upset

Belles fight back but season ends in Michigan as Bulldogs win 62-54

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Writer

ADRIAN, Mich. The No. 6 Saint Mary's basketball team has battled all season long, and Tuesday's MIAA first-round game versus No. 3 Adrian College was no exception.

The Belles' effort was not quite enough to pull off an upset.

Sarah Vincke had 17 points on six-for-10 shooting, and Kim Hill added 12 points off the bench, as Adrian defeated Saint Mary's 62-54. The loss eliminated the Belles

from the post-season tournament.

"They do have a lot of fight in them," said Belles head coach Suzanne Smith. "They definitely want to win and they're getting to learn what it takes to win and beat these teams and win these big games."

Adrian grabbed an early 16-6 lead almost solely on the shooting of Vincke, who had nine points and two 3-pointers in the first few minutes of

the game.

"I didn't think she had played as well the two other times we had played [Adrian] this season, but I knew from last year that she was a great player that could hit some big shots," said Smith. "I think we fell asleep on her and she got open."

The Belles fought back to cut the Bulldogs' lead to 31-28 at halftime, despite shooting only seven-for-26 from the field.

At halftime Smith just felt happy to still be within striking distance of Adrian. The coach knew they had a good chance of making a second-half comeback.

Suzanne Smith
head coach

"If we could just get those shots to fall and focus a little bit better and get a stronger mentality in the second half, we really thought we could come back and win."

"We were just happy with where we were at because we hadn't played our best," said Smith. "To be only three down at halftime, we were very positive with what we could do in the second half. If we could just get those shots to fall and focus a little bit better and get a stronger mentality in the second half, we really thought we could come back

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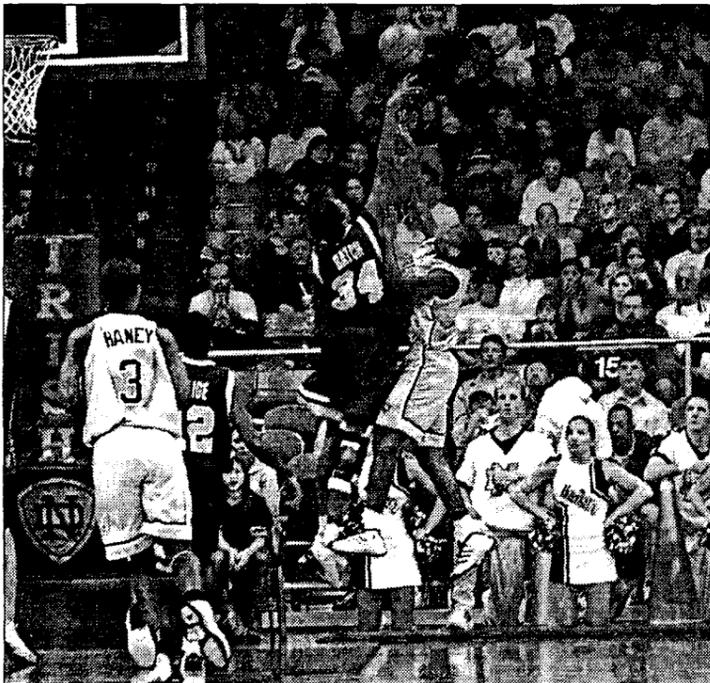


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Belles point guard Katie Miller battles for the rebound as teammate Anne Blair looks on during Tuesday's game. Miller scored three points and had four assists.

ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Shorthanded Irish top Mountaineers



LISA VELTE/The Observer

Irish point guard Le'Tania Severe has her shot blocked as Ericka Haney looks on during Tuesday night's win.

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

With just under five minutes remaining Tuesday night, a Brandi Batch free throw pulled West Virginia within 59-56 of Notre Dame. The Irish were playing with their leading scorer, freshman Jacqueline Batteast, in street clothes with a knee injury, so the team's 50-game winning streak on the Joyce Center court looked to be in jeopardy.

Then Alicia Ratay took over.

Ratay, who finished with a season-high 31 points, buried a 3-pointer from the left wing on the next possession, then followed up with a 3-point play a minute later.

West Virginia never pulled closer than within eight as the Irish finished off the Mountaineers 72-63.

With the win, the Irish move to 18-7 overall, and 12-2 in the Big East, clinching a first-

round bye in the Big East Tournament for Notre Dame.

The ever-modest Ratay, who scored the most points by an Irish player since Ruth Riley's 32 in Notre Dame's NCAA tournament victory over Vanderbilt last spring, said she's just trying to help out, with Batteast sidelined until the Big East Tournament.

"She's such a great scorer that everyone else needs to pick it up a little bit," Ratay said. "So that's what I tried to do."

Ratay wasn't the only veteran who excelled for the home team Tuesday. Ericka Haney, the team's lone senior, scored a season-high 15 points and added six rebounds in 37 minutes. Haney also provided superb defense on Mountaineer guard Kate Bulger, who finished with 17 points on just 6-of-16 shooting from the field.

"I thought Ericka Haney just played a great game," Irish

head coach Muffet McGraw said. "I thought start to finish she came out of the gate well, got us on the board, did a great job on the block, taking advantage of the mismatch."

With Batteast out, Haney has found more of an opportunity on offense. The senior, who can shoot the ball from 15 feet as well as drive to the basket and score inside, has found a greater opportunity to do both in recent games.

"When Jackie's on the floor, she's a tough matchup for everybody in the league," McGraw said. "Some teams put a guard on her, so we send her down to the block. Other teams put a post player on her, and so we send her to the perimeter. Now we're doing that same thing with Ericka."

Despite the game's close score late in the second half, the Irish dominated the Mountaineers both on defense

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