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The light at the end of the tunnel...

1997 career outlook brightens for college grads

By JOHN DeBOY Assistant News Editor

Things are looking up for college seniors.

According to the 26th annual Recruiting Trends survey conducted by Career Services and Placement at Michigan State University, a stronger economy in 1996 means more jobs and increased job security for 1997 college graduates.

"Growth in job opportunities for new college graduates is predicted for the 1997 graduates," said Patrick Scheetz, director of the Collegiate Employment Research Institute at Michigan State. "When characterizing the overall job market for new college graduates this year, employers described it as stronger than a year ago."

Employers surveyed for the study expect a 6.2 percent increase in job prospects for new graduates.

Additionally, 19.7 percent of surveyed employers reported an increase in job security, while 68.2 percent reported⁴ no change.

Kitty Arnold, director of Career and Placement Services at Notre Dame, also



reported a marked increase in the strength of the job market.

"We've definitely seen an improvement this year," Arnold said. "We haven't necessarily seen an increase in the number of companies visiting campus, but we have seen a dramatic increase in the number of companies posting individual job vacancies with our office. That, I .think, is indicative of an improving market."

The Michigan State study also reported that job prospects appear high throughout the entire country, although some regions particularly the Midwest and Southeast — show more promise than others.

Furthermore, starting salaries are expected to be higher this year, with employers reporting a three to four percent increase over 1996.

The study reported that graduates with bachelor's degrees in engineering can expect to make the most, with average starting salaries

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ranging from \$32,000 for civil engineering majors to \$42,000 for chemical engineering majors.

Additionally, accounting majors can expect to make approximately \$30,000 in their first year, while those with liberal arts degrees can expect to earn \$24,000.

Scheetz noted that employers have become increasingly interested in students who demonstrate proficiency in programming, World Wide Web design, e-mail, and other computer-related tasks.

Students with technical skills, Scheetz said, will often find jobs even though they may not have the specific academic majors desired by certain companies.

Arnold also noted the importance of computer skills in today's job market.

"The nature of work has shifted so much toward using technological advances," Arnold said.

"It would only make sense that those who are more computer literate will have more opportunities."

Mooko: Color, creed tangle easily

By MICHELLE KRUPA Assistant News Editor

For many, affirmative action is thought of as a political controversy, but according to Darren Mooko, the issue has a distinctly racial nature.

"We must also examine [it] in terms of race, racism, and racial politics," he said during last night's lecture, "Decoding the Politics of Affirmative Action."

Mooko, the assistant director of multi-cultural student affairs at Ball State University, delivered the address to kick off Notre Dame's Asian Heritage Week 1997.

Mooko opened by first exploring an Irish immigrant's experience in the United States, to later contrast with the present situation Asian Americans face. Mooko examined the Irish group's stereotype in America as the "inferior people of the world," reiterating that these poor immigrants had only poverty-stricken homes and disgusting labor conditions to contend with.



The Observer/ Megan Welsh Darren Mooko addressed issues of affirmative action and discrimination in his lecture yesterday. "But that was one group of people who could

"But that was one group of people who could overcome," he said. "The Irish, as all

Palestinian stability may prove illusory

By DAVID FREDDOSO News Writer

Two weeks ago, Israelis and Palestinians signed an accord containing provisions for Israeli troop withdrawals from Hebron and other parts of the West Bank. The agreement appears to be a move toward stability, but two members of the Notre Dame community who come from the Middle East caution

that this conciliation may

be deceiving.

served in the Israeli military and in Physicians For Human Rights functions in Israel, did not think so.

"[Netanyahu] is being pushed by political forces into this agreement," Gordon said. "He is really an enemy of the peace process, and of peace. That is how he is conceived of in Israel."

Gordon, who studies in the department of government, was not opti-

s not optimistic that the a g r e e m e n t would bring real peace. In fact, he was unsure that any reconciliation could be established u n d e r *Jihad Hamad* is no peacemaker," he assert-

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Oh Brother...

Planning for Sophomore Sibs weekend has hit full stride among the Class of '99. Erin Wysong, a Farley sophomore, did her part stuffing envelopes yesterday in preparation for the event. They warn that $\mathbf{6Tt}$'s not a fair peace peace in this **L**accord. It's not the region is still a one they were struglong way off. any gling for.' For bystander who has seen its limited coverage in the American news media, the new Hebron accord seems to raise more ed. questions than answers. For example, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, the right-wing politician who was elected last year, appeared willing to end the peace process upon assuming office. Thus, the idea that he would now consent to withdrawing Israeli troops from the West Bank seems rather out of character. Has Netanyahu simply had a

miraculous change of heart? Neve Gordon, a Notre Dame graduate student who has Jihad Hamad, a Palestinian resident of the Gaza Strip now studying in Notre Dame's department of sociology, shared Gordon's distrust of Netanyahu's leadership. He commented that the prime minister's executive style is bad not only for the Palestinians, but also for the Israelis.

"I don't think that Netanyahu is the right person for the Israeli elite society, not

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■ WORLD AT A GLANCE

A matter of ignorance

"They go through life deliberately disrupting the status-quo; what's good enough for every- -

Laura Petelle News Writer

one else is obviously not good enough for them. They insist on making life difficult for their teachers, parents, and friends. They are emotionally starved, behaving this way for attention's sake. Their behavior must be corrected, for their own sakes as well as society's."

Who are they? They are left-handers. This sort of rhetoric was used up until about the 1930s to refer to the southpaws of the world.

Left-handedness was often perceived as something that was a choice by the leftie — a deliberate decision on the southpaw's part to be a southpaw. An abnormality that must be corrected for the individual to function normally in society, a society that was predominantly right-handed.

Lefties were oppressed, reprimanded, sometimes despised. Schoolchildren in the 1920s and 1930s would be beaten for using their left hands to write. Sometimes a teacher would tie a leftie's left hand behind his back, forcing him to write with his right hand.

Lefties could count on being told to override their instincts, to put aside their natural habits, simply to fit the notions of the majority. The right-handed majority didn't understand the difference and feared it.

They were told they were wrong, forced to conform to a right-handed world. Parents implored them to stop being difficult, to stop acting up — in essence, to override genetics and conform to society.

But now we understand left-handedness. We know that left-handedness is simply genetic, something that's determined in the womb, something that lefties have no control over.

And now we realize that being left-handed is no handicap. Being left-handed is no deliberate denial of societal norms. Being left-handed makes one no different from the bulk of the population — except that the leftie uses his left hand.

The cultural rhetoric that reviled left-handedness is gone, and now we know that such rhetoric came from ignorance — ignorance about the causes of left-handedness and preconceived ideas of what being left-handed meant.

People fear that which is different, and lefties are different — but not dangerous. People feared that lefties were somehow dangerous to the culture, to the prevalent ideas of the time. People feared that lefties were somehow trying to undermine society.

We would laugh at anyone who suggested that lefties are somehow inferior or are deliberately choosing to be left-handed to fly in the face of social norms and disrupt society. We would laugh if someone suggested that lefties are looking for attention or are emotionally starved.

The preconceived notions and pseudo-scientific ideas that were tossed about regarding left-handedness, no matter how ridiculous they may now sound, were believed by enough people that left-handers were subjected to ridicule and worse. Rhetoric is called rhetoric because it has emotional power, regardless of its truth.

Knowing what we know, and having gone

Chechnya selects president after two-year struggle

GROZNY, Russia Barely two years after Russia poured troops into this tiny Muslim republic, Chechens voted triumphantly Monday in elections dominated by the separatist leaders Moscow tried so hard to subdue.

The separatists have been running the southern republic since the war ended in August, and many residents saw the presidential and parliamentary elections as laying the groundwork for full independence from Moscow.

But Russia has vowed to prevent Chechnya from seceding, and the

two sides appear headed for renewed confrontation if the Chechens move to cut all ties with Moscow, as they are almost certain to do.

After the disastrous military campaign, Russia has no appetite for more fighting but it will try to put political, economic and diplomatic pressure on Chechnya to

Yeltsin's health prevents trip

Boris Yeltsin called off a trip to the Netherlands on Monday, another sign that he is not recovering as quickly as expected from the pneumonia that hit him three weeks ago. The Feb. 4 trip to The Hague for talks with European Union leaders was seen as a major test of the state of the Russian president's health. Opposition lawmakers and

even some mainstream Russian news media have suggested that Yeltsin's health is worse than the Kremlin is willing to admit. In parliament recently, hard-liners unsuccessfully attempted to oust the president for poor health and inability to rule. Russia's prime minister, meanwhile, sought to reassure foreign investors that Yeltsin was in charge of the country and keeping democratic and economic reforms on track despite his illness. "He has control of all major issues of state policy, both foreign and domestic issues," Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin said. "The president is returning to action and will be in action." Yeltsin, who turns 66 on Saturday, is recovering from pneumonia at his country home, where aides say he is working with reports and scheduling meetings with aides. He has no immediate plans to return to his Kremlin office, spokeswoman Natalia Konstantinova said Monday.

Student guns down eighth-grader

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.

An eighth-grader was killed today in a shooting outside his school, and police said a fellow student who fled was taken into custody as a suspect. The 14-year-old boy was shot on a sidewalk about a half-hour before the start of classes at Conniston Middle School, attended by more than 1,200 sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders. He was declared dead a short time later. The suspect was taken into custody later, said police spokeswoman Dena Peterson. No weapon was recovered. Witnesses said they heard shots and saw the assailant run onto the campus. "All we heard was two shots, pop pop," student Angel Rivera told WPEC-TV. "When I ran over, I saw a good friend of mine got shot right here." Classes weren't canceled, but many parents took their children out of school. Counselors were on hand to talk to pupils. Gorman Watson said as he arrived to pick up his son that the shooting left him "real scared. ... It makes you wonder what's happening, doesn't it?" Names of the



victim and suspect were not released.



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keep it in line.

The Chechens were in a buoyant mood Monday as they headed to the polls in snow-covered towns and villages.

"This election is about our freedom," said Hassan Khalidov, a former businessman who served as a rebel fighter in Chechnya's war against Russia. "The Chechen people have waited hundreds of years for this."

Turnout was heavy at 450 polling stations across the republic, with lines of people forming well before some stations opened. Voting was extended two hours to handle the crush.

Preliminary results from the presiden-

tial race were expected Tuesday. If no one gets 50 percent of the vote, a runoff vote will be held in February, though no date has been set. Some 400,000 Chechens were eligible to vote.

Security was tight as soldiers with automatic rifles guarded the polling stations.

Garbage man collects in lottery

NEW YORK

Sergio Martini became a rich man overnight but is still reporting to work, doing a job some people wouldn't do for a million bucks. "I'm not the kind of guy to stay home and do nothing," the 12-year New York City garbage man said Monday, working hatless in 15-degree wind chill during a shift that started at midnight. "I feel more energetic now since winning," Martini added, tapping dripping coffee cups out of the bottom of a litter basket. "I only have to work one job now." The 50-yearold father of four won a \$10.3 million Powerball lottery jackpot on Thursday. He will get about \$370,000 a year for 20 years. Up until last week, Martini had worked double shifts for the city Sanitation Department and drove his brother's taxi to pay the bills. He quit the taxi job a day after winning the lottery. But Martini, who according to the city makes a base salary of about \$40,000 and a total of around \$70,000 with overtime, insisted he will stay on the garbage beat for at least 2 1/2 more years to qualify for his pension. In the meantime, he said, "I've got to find a hobby or something." Martini's beat includes some of the most stylish neighborhoods of his native Manhattan but still is dangerous. There are rats, chemicals, toxins, needles — name the nastiness of New York City, and Martini's handled it. Four New York City sanitation workers have been killed on the job since 1992.

Families honor dead of Apollo 1

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.

The families of the three Apollo 1 astronauts killed in a launch pad fire 30 years ago gathered in the rain Monday to remember their courage and contributions to America's race to the moon. It was the first public ceremony in decades in memory of Virgil "Gus" Grissom, Edward White II and Roger Chaffee, who died inside their burning capsule on Jan. 27, 1967. "It's still a sad thing, it really is. Yet it's uplifting," said White's daugh-ter, Bonnie Baer, 40, standing next to brother Ed and 37 other relatives who hugged each other in front of the astronauts' memorial at Kennedy Space Center. wasn't sure that I wanted to be here, but I'm really glad that I'm here." For Martha Chaffee, the astronaut's widow, the hardest part was hearing daughter Sheryl Chaffee Marshall, 38, a NASA employee, pay tribute to her father. "I don't see that they need to have something like this all the time," Martha Chaffee said. "But 30 years, you know, OK. It did happen. These guys were a part of the space program. They were footsteps" to the moon

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INSIDE COLUMN

past the rhetoric and conquered our prejudices through this knowledge, we can accept lefties as perfectly normal human beings, in no way inferior to anybody else.

Now go back through this column and replace "left-handed" with "homosexual."

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Shapiro's poetry traces her relationships with men

By BRIDGET O'CONNOR Assistant News Editor

"Longing makes you close your eyes and wonder makes you open them," explained poet Myra Shapiro last night.

After reading selected poems from her first fulllength book, "I'll See-You Thursday," Shapiro explained the difference between the emotions: longing and wonder.

The presentation, co-sponsored by the Women's Resource Center and the Gender Studies Department, traced the progression of her own feelings toward the men in her life from early childhood through maturity.

Shapiro's depiction included "the history, or a history, of women on either side of the women's movement." Frustrated with her father, who moved the family to an unfamiliar house, Shapiro continued the story through her development as a woman and into marriage, capturing a feeling of urgency in her struggle.

"I felt dirtied, sometimes desperate, but tough," she

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writes in her poem "My Husband Sits."

This gritty, determined nature became clear in her reading of "On Being Pushed When I Was Seven," a poem about her refusal to swim-oncommand as a young child. After throwing her in the

Writing does so many things. It gives you, it teaches you, it surprises you.'

Myra Shapiro

water, Shapiro's father and his friend were forced to save her, much to her satisfaction. "That's one poem I feel to the bottom of my toes," she remarked.

Conversely, her lighter side shone forth in "Family Jokes," a poem incorporating poems that she heard as a child, but could not comprehend. According to Shapiro, jokes were part of her family

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dynamic, allowing everyone to unwind and say things that they would otherwise not consider.

Perhaps Shapiro's versatility stems from her vast range of experiences. Born in the Bronx, Shapiro taught English and became a librarian before she began writing at 50 years old.

In that time she married a man from Little Rock, Ark., and raised two daughters in Georgia and Tennessee. After returning to New York City, her poems appeared in the Harvard Review and she was awarded the New School's Dylan Thomas Poetry Award as well as two fellowships from The MacDowell Colony. Earning her degree from Vermont College, she currently serves on the Board of Directors of Poets House.

"I don't know [why I started writing]," Shapiro admitted. "I was a teacher and always liked to teach poetry, so the fact that I wrote poetry was no great surprise." She wondered aloud: "It was the year my mother died...It was the year my youngest daughter went off to college... Maybe that was it."

Incorporating emotions like love for her husband, sexual delight and her love of poetry, Shapiro's works recount the often conflicting emotions that a woman experiences during the women's liberation movement. In "How I Learned to Kiss," Shapiro shares how she learned to kiss from watching movies, adding that, "In the '50s, when you learned to kiss it wasn't long before you married."

Encouraging all prospective writers, she said, "Writing

CANCELLATION



Poet Myra Shapiro discussed the importance of writing in her life as well as challenges to female poets in today's world.

does so many things. It gives you, it teaches you, it surprises you."

Shapiro noted, however, that being a female poet today is different than it was in the past.

"What we could write before the women's movement was a different subject matter. We didn't have many women in the books we read — certainly not in school!" She noted ironically that, "The greatest complement [a female writer] could receive was, 'Great Paper. A. You write like a man.'"

This mindset, she explained,

The Asian Heritage Week lecture "Bilingual Education: The State of Affairs" has been cancelled. It was

originally scheduled for tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the LaFortune Ballroom.

opposed the employment of domestic images in her works. One example of such a pattern is her depiction of preparing a grapefruit — a talent she inherited from her mother, which she later passed down to her own daughters.

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As to the increased number of successful female poets, Shapiro speculated that, "We've heard from a population never heard from before. Surely there's some news in that."

She also noted that the female population consists of "more that part — more than half" of the population.

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European immigrants, insisted on whiteness, relied on white supremacy, and tried to claim American acceptance by using their whiteness. They gave up being Irish and adopted the American way of life."

According to Mooko however, Asian Americans do not have this option; this makes an unquestioned initiation into the American lifestyle difficult. This difficulty sets the stage for problems when dealing with affirmative action.

Citing various decisions that arose from unrest during the '60s, Mooko focused on the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

He specifically emphasized Title Seven, which marks the first time that discrimination on the basis of "race, color, creed" was declared illegal, and also another case in which racial quotas were determined to be against the law.

"This is the first time this way of acting was officially termed illegal, but even more importantly during that time was [Lyndon] Johnson's rationale that you can't just say, 'Everything's open to you now — go out and get 'em,' that you have to give people opportunities to work from," Mooko said.

Mooko also addressed some common misconceptions surrounding affirmative action, including one in which adversaries of the issue claim that racial discrimination no longer exists in American society.

"One would hope that if they thought [discrimination] did exist, they would want to do something about it, but the truth is that these opponents say that all affirmative action is reverse discrimination," he said.

Mooko also explained that expectations rather than truths fuel these reverse-discrimination cries, emphasizing that "one must not mistake the right to attend a particular college with the expectation to attend that particular college."

Another argument Mooko debated was the claim that the acceptance of minority students to universities on the basis of affirmative action legislation can cause white students to assume that all minority students are inher-

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ently inferior and not qualified to be in the classroom or the future business world. "They say that, by having this policy, white men will

think of all people of color, all women in law school and medical school, to be unqualified. We will then be placing an

entire piece of legislation on the fears and expectations of a small group, and those fears are so rarely valid," Mooko said.

Other opponents, Mooko argued, eschew affirmative action because they feel that

• Things like years of subjection can't correct themselves in one generation, or two generations, or three, and they haven't stopped today.'

Darren Mooko

academic and personal achievements, not ethnicity or race, should earn someone a place in the classroom or workplace.

"They say we must be judged on our merit, not our ethnic background. It is a very idealistic argument, because there is true meritocracy for some, but what about others with whom we must compete who are not good enough to get rid of nepotism?" Mooko asked.

"It's like the golden rule of business, 'It's not what you know, but who you know,' and then merit is not being enforced."

Mooko also chastised those who claim that the concept of affirmative action is unnecessary now. He warned that it was wrong to place all Asian Pacific Americans into one group, as "model minorities," regardless of the past successes of members of the Asian American community.

"[These successes] are almost more pressure and discrimination. Saying that all Asian Americans are so smart or such good citizens doesn't help the problem. And there's really no such thing as the general Asian American anyway. Don't try to tell me that a Loasian has the same experience as a fourth generation Japanese American. They can't be clumped together," Mooko emphasized.

Continuing to deal with problems of the past, Mooko addressed the "individualistic argument" where opponents of the policy ask that since "I didn't throw your grandma into a concentration camp, and I didn't have slaves, why do I have to compromise my spot at Notre Dame because of affirmative action?"

Mooko claims that we cannot remedy history, but that the past still exists within the implications it has on the present.

"You have to ask, 'What kind of impact does slavery and oppression have on generations of people?" Mooko said. "Things like years of subjugation can't correct themselves in one generation, or two generations, or three, and they haven't stopped today."

When asked what young adults could do in response to affirmative action, Mooko said that students, especially those in college, can have a profound influence on legislation.

"College students are at the forefront of societal change, to educate the mass society of these truths and to look past the rhetoric on the right and the left, speculating and looking for their own truths to determine the real truth in the world," Mooko said.

The lecture was sponsored by the Asian American Association and took place in the LaFortune Ballroom at 8 p.m. Northern Ireland Northern Ireland talks resume amid violence

By SHAWN POGATCHNIK Associated Press Writer

BELFAST, Northern Ireland Against a backdrop of renewed bombings, Northern Ireland politicians met for the first time in six weeks Monday, only to bicker about each others' right to attend the peace talks.

Bomb attacks blamed on Northern Ireland's pro-British paramilitary groups, which officially are sticking to a 27-month-old truce, have jeopardized the continuing participation of their Protestant representatives in talks on Northern Ireland's future.

The pro-British loyalists have killed some 900 people since 1966 in a bid to intimidate the province's minority Catholic community. They are suspected of retaliating for recent Irish Republican Army violence by planting bombs under the cars of two IRA supporters and a Catholic family, injuring one man.

Monday marked the first time since December that all nine participating political parties met under the direction of former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell at Stormont, center of British administration in Northern Ireland. Lower-key contacts among politicians resumed two weeks ago.

The British and Irish governments last year appointed Mitchell to oversee the search for a compromise government for the province. Northern Ireland Protestants insist on protecting their links with Britain, while the province's Catholics demand greater ties with the rest of Ireland, which gained independence from Britain in the 1920s.

The umbrella group for the two main pro-British paramilitary groups, the Combined Loyalist Military Command, has refused to accept or deny responsibility for the new bombings. So have their two affiliated political parties.

If the loyalists are barred, as other Protestant politicians demand, they would join the IRA-allied Sinn Fein party outside the negotiations that began last June but have proven an exercise in frustration.

Sinn Fein, supported by a sizable minority of Catholics, was excluded because the IRA decided last year to resume attacks against British rule.

David Ervine, a Protestant negotiator, admitted that pro-British loyalists have "been responsible for violence" in recent weeks, but he wouldn't say who was behind the bombs.

The British government's main negotiator, Michael Ancram, said he would oppose expelling the two loyalist parties for now — a position that both Sinn Fein and other Protestants attacked as hypocritical.

"Clearly the government have been operating double standards for some time," said Nigel Dodds, a negotiator for Ian Paisley's Democratic Unionist Party.

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BV BALZ BRUPPACHER Associated Press Writer

BERN, Switzerland Switzerland's ambassador to the United States resigned Monday after outraging Jewish groups and their supporters by likening his country's Nazi gold crisis to a war that had to be won

Carlo Jagmetti described allegations from Jewish groups and U.S. politicians that Swiss banks profited from World War II as a "war" Switzerland must "fight and win on two fronts: foreign and domestic.'

In a confidential report, he also spoke of "opponents" who "cannot be trusted."

report, sent to The Switzerland in December, was leaked Sunday by a Swiss newspaper that said the "opponents" referred to Jewish organizations and U.S. Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R.-NY.

Jagmetti's remarks prompted protests inside and outside Switzerland. Israel's Jewish Agency called for an immediate apology from Switzerland. D'Amato had said he was shocked by the ambassador's choice of words and Swissbased Jewish groups demanded Jagmetti's immediate suspension.

D'Amato welcomed Jagmetti's resignation, saying "We have heard this language and sentiment all too often in the not too distant past. It is frightening."

Swiss Foreign Minister Flavio Cotti said the 65-year-old ambassador's decision to resign was his own, and had not been forced by the government.

Cotti condemned the leaking of a confidential report and said he would ask the Cabinet to authorize a criminal investigation.

While distancing the government from the ambassador's language, he said he regretted that "a truly successful and conscientious diplomatic career should end in such a way only a few months before planned retirement.'

peratures

ANTARCTICA Scientists flock to polar summer

By WILLIAM HEATH Associated Press Writer

> MARAMBIO BASE. Antarctica

The bitter Antarctic winter has given way to summer and scientists from dozens of nations are racing to make use of two months of nearly perpetual daylight and "balmy" tem-

For many, this Argentine air force base on Seymour Island on the northwestern edge of the Weddell Sea is a port of entry for the Antarctic Peninsula and islands off its coast.

The tiny island, 625 miles across the stormy Drake Passage from the southern tip of South America, has the only air strip in Antarctica where planes can land year-round without skis.

"We are beginning the busy time," said Lt. Col. Ricardo Valencia, who arrived in November for a one-year tour as base commander.

Although Marambio is a military base, "we give logistical support to the scientific community," Valencia said. "Most of the work takes place over the next two months although we do some all year-round.

'The base has about 30 people in winter and adds 50 temporaries in summer plus about 60 scientists who will be working on projects involving fauna, flora, geology, paleontology and glaciology.

Argentina, which set up its first research facility in Antarctica in 1904, now operates 12 bases, six of them year-round.

It was one of the 12 original signers of the Antarctic Treaty

Summer in the Antarctic

The Argentine Air Force base on Seymour Island is the port of entry for the Antarctic Peninsula, Scientists are taking advantage of summer's two months of perpetual daylight, and business at the island's 1,200-meterlong airstrip is brisk.

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CONTINENT HISTORY Antarctica was first sighted

in 1820-21, yet no one set foot countries study the continent. The on the continent until 1895. number of bases increased from 28 to 40 from 1957-58. HMS Challenger steamship

crosses the Antarctic Circle on a scientific cruise in 1874.

 The first base was built by the British in 1904.

• Norweigan team reaches the South Pole in 1911.

> in 1959. The pact shelved conflicting territorial claims, set aside the continent exclusively for peaceful purposes, banned nuclear testing and explosions, and restricted military activities to supporting scientific work.

> "No armed ships or planes are permitted in the area,' Valencia said. "We are here with the idea of promoting peace and the study of the environment."

Twenty-eight nations operate a total of 45 bases on the continent. A winter population of 600 to 800 swells to 4,000-5,000 in summer.

The headquarters building houses living quarters, mess



• The Antarctic Treaty signed on

Dec. 1, 1959 curbed territorial

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hall, conference room, recreation facilities and a phone booth, for calls to the continent.

On a recent day, the outside temperature hovered at 10 degrees above zero. In winter, temperatures of 20-below are more common in this warmest part of Antarctica.

Inside. Andrea Dr. Concheyro, a University of **Buenos Aires micropaleontol**ogist and two companions prepared for a two-month research stint on James Ross Island, 45 miles from Marambio. Antarctic research 'is a very important professional and personal experience," she said.



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just the Palestinians," he said. "Before he was elected, they used to call him 'the liar.' He is not a trusted person."

Netanyahu is even more mistrusted now; his post-election popularity has fallen drastically among Israelis. Not only did nearly half of Netanyahu's hand-picked cabinet furiously oppose the Hebron accord, but many officials in the higher circles of the Israeli government are beginning to question whether he is even fit to rule.

Many Israelis are unhappy with Netanyahu for conceding anything to the Palestinians. But Hamad, who was tortured for 30 days by the Israeli authorities in an Israeli prison, did not believe that the Palestinians would be helped much by the accord.

"It's not a fair peace accord," he said. "It's not the one they were struggling for."

According to Hamad, the Palestinians are struggling for an agreement which would allow for an independent Palestinian state. They are attempting to form a democracy suited to the culture of Palestine, not a "rental democracy" modeled after western democracies.

Although Netanyahu has sent a strong message against an independent Palestinian state, Hamad believes that the Hebron agreement is a step in the right direction for the Palestinians.

"The accord has some elements which provide the Palestinians with a state though not an independent state," he said. "I see the accord as a peace agreement. It's not the fair solution, but it was the only solution at this particular time."

In a certain sense, the fulfillment of the agreement is only fitting, if not long overdue. Despite the uproar regarding the Hebron pact, Gordon explained that the current accord is really only carrying out promises which were made in an earlier Oslo treaty signed in 1993.

The previous prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin, had promised to draw troops out of the West Bank by a much earlier date. But ever since Netanyahu defeated Rabin's successor in last spring's election, Gordon said, the new prime minister



has used every means available to avoid following through on his promise. "Netanyahu has been trying

to suspend the deployment," Gordon stated, "but there were agreements, and the international community was pressuring him."

The Hebron accord also raises the question of whether the violence will be continued by extremist Palestinians and Jews now that Palestinian and Israeli leaders have commenced the peace process.

Gordon described the terrorism in the occupied territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip as a seemingly eternal cycle. As long as the turmoil continues, he said, more of the inhabitants of the region will continue to suffer under the poor economic conditions, possibly nurturing more conflict.

"If there is no peace in the region," Gordon went on, "then people do not want to invest in the region. And in the past four years, the annual per capita income of the Palestinians has gone down by 30 percent. The Gaza Strip is really poverty-stricken."

Gordon believes that this poverty can only lead to more "When violence. fthe Palestinians] dreamed of peace, they thought they could have their daily bread and come home from work to live a normal life, like you and me." With their economy suffering so badly, however, there is no such normal life for most of the Palestinians The current peace accord is unlikely to drastically help these people.

Thus, despite the relative silence of militant Islamic groups during the past month, Gordon believes that there could be a great deal of violence in the near future.

"There's going to be an explosion," he predicted, explaining that he expected massive protests in the streets. Sadly, Gordon said, there could even be suicide bombings, much similar to the ones in late February of last year which claimed 63 lives in one week.

"Violence is in the air," he said. "This might have stopped it for a few weeks, but if the peace process does not continue to progress, and the economic situation does not improve, there will be violence."

Hamad went so far as to say that the lack of stability in the Middle East threatens peace all over the world.

"If there is no stability there, then there is no peace in all the earth," he said. "It is written in the Bible, it is written in the Koran, and it is written in the Torah.

"And in terms of economic stability," he continued, "that's the region that makes the whole world stand upside down."

Gordon believes that the situation could be improved with help from the United States and the international community. "This is where the U.S. has to come in," he said. "The World Bank can help alleviate the poverty of the Palestinians."

As for a long term solution, Hamad believes that if the Israelis and Palestinians completely changed their own world views, the Jews and Arabs across the Middle East would have to stop despising one another.

"We do not want leadership," he said. "We want people to trust each other."

Clinton seeks tax credit to aid welfare recipients

The Associated Press

NEW YORK President Clinton is expected to ask Congress to give tax breaks to businesses that hire welfare recipients, according _____



w h e t h e r such benefits, beyond giving a windfall to businesses, will actually increase the number of poor people who get jobs, the paper said in Tuesday editions.

The tax credits, promised by Clinton during last year's campaign, are essential to his plan to create 1 million jobs for welfare recipients by 2000. The welfare reform bill Clinton signed last August requires welfare recipients to get jobs within two years of going on public assistance.

The Times said Clinton's proposal, to be included in his budget next week, would give employers a tax credit of 50 percent of the first \$10,000 paid to people who have been on welfare for at least 18 months.

Though such tax credits have been allowed, in one form or another, for 25 years, the Clinton proposal would offer a larger subsidy than has been available in the past, the Times said.

Currently, employers can take a credit on 35 percent of the first \$6,000 paid to people who have been on welfare for nine of the previous 18 months.

Charles Marsten, inspector general of the Labor Department, said his 1994 study of a welfare tax credit offered to employers between 1978 and 1995 showed the benefit had "virtually no impact on employers' decisions to hire" welfare recipients and other poor workers. "I can only conclude that

"I can only conclude that the tax credit is a windfall for employers since the program is inconsequential in encouraging the employment" of welfare recipients and other targeted groups, Marsten said.

Labor Department auditors concluded that the earlier program cost \$374 million a year but produced only \$140 million in wages for people who would not otherwise have been hired, the Times said.

A senior adviser to the president, Rahm I. Emanuel, told the paper that administration officials believe Clinton's proposal will be more effective than earlier versions.

Other factors include child care, an increased minimum wage, health insurance for people leaving welfare and transportation to help people get to their jobs.

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FIRST PRINCIPLES

Might makes wrong: The case of Paula Jones

Plato's *Republic* contains a memorable confrontation between a character named Thrasymachus, depicted as the defender of immortality, and Socrates, the defender of justice. The essence of Thrasymachus' position is that might especially political power — makes right: "Justice," he says, "is the advantage of the established rule. Since the established rule is surely stronger, any-

Irfan Khawaja

one who reasons correctly will conclude that justice is the same everywhere, namely the advantage of the stronger." Socrates famously disputes this proposition, and takes the rest of the book to refute it.

For decades, the American "left"— the public intellectuals and persons of affairs who call themselves "liberals" have styled themselves as the true heirs of the Socratic ideal. In academic circles, the term "left" is virtually synony-mous with justice, conscience, compassion, principle, and integrity in politics. A "person of the left," we are told, is a person who "speaks truth to power" — a person who takes the life of the mind, spirit, and morality seriously, as distin-guished from the Thrasymachuses of "the right," the catch-all term for the "non-left." The right consists of antiintellectual amoralists who lust after power, treasure, blood, and glory. A right-winger is the kind of person who will run over his grandmother to commit insurance fraud. The pages of Common Sense or The New York Times provide ample confirmation of the existence of the relevant set of attitudes, in case one were inclined to doubt their existence. Like most stereotypes, this one is as fraudulent as it is widespread, but to gauge its distance from reality, let's consider one of the stranger scandals that has beset the den of iniquity we call our nation's capital. Consider the strange case of Paula Jones. Jones is a woman

who alleges that in 1991, President Clinton, who was then governor of Arkansas, sexually harassed her in a motel room in Little Rock. If Jones' allegation is true, Clinton's actions would constitute a violation of Title VII of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's guidelines on sexual harassment. For more than a decade now since the 1986 case of *Meritor* Savings Bank v. Vinson, such cases have been used against corporate CEOs who have been charged with sexual harassment; a sizable number of "very important" CEOs have lost their jobs on this basis. As the EEOC sternly reminds us, 'a single, unusually severe incident of harassment may be sufficient to constitute a Title VII violation," where such an incident can include an employer's failure to insure a "non-hostile" working environment for women.

In light of this, you would expect the allegations against Clinton to be taken seriously by people who regard themselves as defenders of law, justice, and women's rights. But you would be seriously wrong, because instead what you will find are people who insist that Clinton not be required to endure the indignity of defending himself in a civil trial because Paula Jones is an unreliable slut and President Clinton is above the law.

To evaluate the hypocrisy of this attitude, let's take stock of some recent American history.

Richard Nixon resigned the presidency in disgrace after it was discovered that he had been behind an attempt to burglarize the Watergate Hotel, then the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee. An independent counsel, Archibald Cox was appointed by the Justice Department to investigate the charges. Nixon has gone down in history as a right-wing president who thought he was "above the law". Clarence Thomas was accused on national TV of sexual harassment, and attempted to answer the charges, without benefit of counsel or settled rules of procedure or evidence. The polls tell us that he didn't succeed; most Americans believe that he sexually harassed Anita Hill. Whether that is true or false, Thomas holds a place of special scorn in many people's eyes; he is the erstwhile chairman of the EEOC who "broke the rules" of his own agency. Well, what would expect of an opportunistic rightwing Reagan appointee who benefitted from affirmative action but wants to abolish it?

What happens, however, when the first Democratic president since 1980 is charged with moral impropriety and illegality? Well, people make as many excuses as possible. When the going gets tough for our President, left-wing moral tough guys get going; that is, they run away. As a representative voice in this chorus of moral rectitude, consider the words of Susan Estrich, manager of Michael Dukakis' 1988 presidential campaign, and now a professor of law at USC. Estrich claims that the Jones accu-sations are "just one more weapon in the anti-Clinton business." In response to an argument in *The American Lawyer* that the charges against Clinton are both more weighty than those made against Thomas, Estrich asserts that Clinton must be innocent of Jones' charges because Clinton "has more class" than to be a sexual abuser. I guess that makes Thomas not just guilty, but "classless." And I suppose that we are to infer that there is no such thing as a "classy" sexual abuser. If only those hapless CEOs had used the "I'm classy" defense to defend themselves against charges of sexual harassment! What a field day that might have been for the unscrupulous!

'reasonable" people have More protested that we should not take Jones' accusations seriously. One reason adduced is that Jones' story is not credible. But this assertion begs the question: strictly speaking, Jones' story has not been *heard* because it hasn't yet been made in a court of law. She may be lying, she may be telling the truth. That is what the trial is for. Another reason adduced is that the president is "too important" a person to be subjected to "frivolous" lawsuits. This begs the question, too, but there is something stranger still about it. It seems not to have occurred to the peo-ple who make this argument that Clinton is not the only target of "frivolous" lawsuits in this country. The same liberals who derided Dan Quayle's efforts at tort reform and deregulation

now find it expedient to believe that when women with "big hair" file sexual harassment suits, they must be doing it "just" for the money. These same liberals seem to have made the amazing discovery that sometimes, government regulation can kind of cramp your style. Welcome to litigation and regulation, American style, where your whining complaints are a first mortgage on the energies of productive people precisely because they are made loudly enough.

Consider another oddity. Clinton, we are told, is "too important" to stand trial, and his office is too "dignified" to be besmirched by the necessity of having to defend his name. What a gentleman! But that didn't work for Nixon, did it? Come to think of it, the only place where that kind of defense *would* work is in a monarchy or a dictatorship, where the head honcho is explicitly above the law of the land. Could you imagine someone excusing a sexist CEO on the grounds that he was "too important" to the economy to be put out of commission during a trial? The obvious response would be: justice doesn't yield to expediency, and besides, there are other CEOs out there to take his place.

It is somewhat disorienting to watch 'persons of the left" dance around these issues, shamelessly making apologies for one of the biggest con artists to have inhabited the White House since, well... George Bush. (No sense in being partisan on this issue.) From "speaking truth to power," the left seems to have fallen to the likes of Professor Estrich, who speaks falsehoods just to prop it up. No surprises here: the same left that has "problematized" the concepts of truth, principles, objectivity and the rule of law has brought us falsehood, opportunism, confusion and "professors of laws" who defend the political equivalent of gang warfare. If this is the wave of the future, I think it's time to leverage my abilities as a philosopher into the "Thrasymachus for President" campaign in the year 2000. It may be immoral, but it certainly beats teaching a freshman seminar.

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International Business Hits Hom

NDCIBD programs bring global experience to undergrd

By MARY PELZER, DANA KOVARIK, AND **MIKE MONROE** Accent Writers

As the winter semester gets underway and assignments quickly accumulate, it seems inappropriate to start anticipating next summer. However, that's exactly what the Notre Dame Council for International Business Development (NDCIBD) wants students to do.

Since January 25, NDCIBD has been interviewing candidates for its summer internship program. NDCIBD internships, which generally last ten to twelve weeks, focus on a number of different fields- from finance and marketing to engineering and political analysis.

Positions extend across geographical borders as well. Last year, NDCIBD arranged over fifty internships in thirteen counties,

including Argentina, England, Estonia, and Lithuania. This year, that roster includes Chile, Brazil, and Singapore.

Indeed, NDCIBD appears poised to replicate past successes, as it offers summer jobs with AT&T with Russia, Waterford in Ireland, AT Carney in Singapore, and several others. This summer's interns will have the opportunity to work in the Chilean Exchange, Stock report the feasibility of market opportunities in Vietnam, and help in the development of Honeywell's

In addition to intern- skills. ships with private

companies, Notre Dame students can also work in the private sector. NDCIBD interns will be placed with the Center for Post-Soviet Students, the Morozov Project, the American Chamber of Commerce, and the Governor's Office of International Trade.

It's not surprising that the application process is rigorous. Students are asked to submit a transcript, a completed application form, and a list of preferences. Following this, all applicants are interviewed by a

panel, who makes the final decisions in early February.

In addition to establishing overseas internships and supervising the application process, NDCIBD's Internship Division also aids interns with housing and travel arrangements.

Building a Bridge

A bridge is a structural support which provides an eager traveler a reliable way to go from point A to point B. However, in today's world the bridges reaching beyond comfortable surroundings are often made to look treacherous through a lack of knowledge and cultural understanding. These shaky bridges are the only current means of reaching the far corners of the globe. It is increasingly becoming the responsibility of this generation to patch these bridges and rebuild them



distribution and ser- The NDCIBD offers internships, contests, and exchange programs like vice network in Russia. this Summer 1996 one that sharpen and develop international business

> into a solid support system over which a great new exchange of awareness will travel from one end of the world to another.

The Notre Dame Council on International Business Development (NDCIBD) has channeled a great enthusiasm for global knowledge into a legacy of student leaders who have taken their vision of peace through commerce and capitalized on their education by implementing these ideas around the globe.

While the NDCIBD is a truly unique organization insofar as the variety and depth of its projects

there is still much work to be done in making it a fully proactive organization. However, in a world of miscommunication, irrational wel fare, and unethical treatment of humanity the NDCIBD has provided the opportunity for Notre Dame students -1.0 make a difference and strengthen the bridges which our predecessors have built. Т h

NDCIBD is a Notre Dame Council for International Business testament to Development students participating in the Summer 1996 young people Exchange Program enjoy a day at Wrigley Field in who are will- Chicago. ing to take

the initiative

and dedicate themselves to the future of the world. In preparation for roles as future world leaders, they are starting to make their mark now, expanding their horizons beyond the boundaries of Notre Dame. However, they cannot do it alone. They rely on the relationships which they are constantly establishing in the international arena. It is necessary to learn from our predecessors. It is necessary, for the legacy of the Notre Dame Council on International Business Development, as well as the advancement of humanity.

The Portfolio Management Challenge

In the Fall of 1995 the Notre Dame Council on International Business Development's Finance Division held the first annual Portfolio Management Challenge (PMC). The PMC is a stock market simulation contest

that offers its participants the oppo learn valuable lessons about invent

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The PMC has attracted significan freshman participants than last year sophomore class is the most wide sented in the contest. These divis help ensure that freshman/sophomor ipants return to the contest in the increasing the probability that they a good experience and be competi the other contestants.

PMC organizers also plan to host a series throughout the course of the as a way to expand the learning of ties available. The 1996 PMC shou to be an excellent educational exper those who participate as well as f who are working on it.

> light with very little aftertaste The appetizers are more in esting than the beer. T wings, which offer a moderat spicy taste, are comparable the quality of any wing join They are deep-fried with re wine sauce, and cost \$4.75 The shrimp cakes are equal-



Authentic recipes lure local diners to Bahn Thai

Bahn Thai 6502 N. Grape Rd. 271-8424 m - m - m - m - nእ<u>ን</u> እን እን እን እ (four and a half out of five shamrocks)

Accent Editor riving along Grape Road. a road infested with the neon signs of fast food restaurants,

By JOEY CRAWFORD

it is easy to wonder if there is fine dining beyond the realm of Taco Bell and Burger King in South Bend. From the outside, the Bahn Thai restaurant (it

is found where the Grape Road Macri's was formerly located) appears to be from the same mold as the majority of the other restaurants in the area. Nestled deep in the plaza across from Best Buy, Bahn Thai gets lost with its relative plainness. With the exception of the sign, the outside is completely bare. Quite frankly, it appears to be quite a dive, but upon entering one is taken into a whole new world, the world of the exotic orient.

Numerous pieces of exquisite Asian art dot the walls and give the restaurant a museum-like, while the staff, mostly dressed in Thai attire, also lend to the feeling of authenticity. The owners, Phromphan Kongpolphrom, Nuttaporn Chalearnchaiphucksa, Navara Chareonchaiprucksa, Jackchai Vasunirachorn, and Jennifer Barker did a fine job in creating a unique eating environment.

Additionally, the staff is quite cordial. They talk to their guests and try to get a general feel for their tastes. From there, they help the patrons decipher the menu and recommend certain foods according to their tastes. Foods range from the red hot and spicy to the mild and sweet. But don't get the wrong opinion, Thai food is not for the mild at heart Each dish has a very original and interesting taste that is very pleasing but sometimes, judging by the unique appearance of the food, is not always expected.

The Thai experience begins when ordering drinks. The restaurant offers a broad range of beverages, including Thai tea, soda, and even Thai beer. The Thai beer (they also serve domestics) is very smooth and

ly as tasty, but the most interesting hors-d'voure was the leaf-wrapped savories. These tiny delights look like food directly from the forest, but are so tasty that they left this reviewer screaming for more. The leaf-wrapped savories are a combination of lime, red onion, cashew nut, fried ginger, coconut meat, and dried shrimp on leaves Bahn Thai green topped with a food for Se house special sauce. This amalgam of food creates a pleasingly s taste, and costs only \$4.25. most savory option for an ap the sampler basket which i mentioned delights for \$5.75 Much of the food is similar reliance on vegetables, rice much more interesting tast

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By ASHLEIGH THOMPSON

aybe it's every college student's dream.

Maybe it's the fabulous cities, the fabulous

house, or the seemingly fabulous people.

But whatever the fascination with MTV's "The Real

World," the mystery became a known quantity last

Friday, as students listened to two members from

Ballroom last Friday to see Kat and Lars in person,

and whatever they hadn't already gleaned from

watching their lives on television was asked in an

Lars related his frustration with the format of the

show, explaining how he had to notify the MTV staff

members every time he changed location, calling in

after a week of final exams. Although Lars and Kat

have only visited a few colleges for speaking engage-

ments, both cast members reacted to the antics of

But despite their public composure, both privately

reflected upon the downside of the experience as

well. The majority of their audience sees less than

five percent of the actual tape shot, and producers

mixed pieces of week one with others from week ten

in order to construct episodes. To some extent, Kat

and Lars feel their images have been manipulated

by what MTV chose to represent. Contracts con-

sour than the other ethnic foods.

the evening with patience and class.

at 3 a.m. after he left a club, for example. Kat

informal question and answer session.

and Lars joked about the "stone fire-

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the London cast describe their brush with stardom.

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Greetings from London... Lars and Kat give Notre Lars and Kat give Notre Dame a taste of The Real World' tained over 14 pages of legal stipulations, and rule books were distributed on moving day. Apartments

were subletted, jobs and school were put on hold. Within two weeks, their worlds were upside down, and that was before the unique six month experience even began

The after shock has been equally as strange. Kat and Lars admit that their groups of friends have changed a lot, since some were unable to adjust to their new lifestyle. Kat, a recent graduate of New York University with degrees in Anthropology and Archeology, shared that those departments were forced to make policies to stop fellow students from harassing her during classes. Fans turned into stalkers. When asked if she'd do it again though,

she said yes. "I'd rather regret something I did than regret something I didn't do," she anwered. Perhaps it is this attitude that landed them spaces on the show. Both were sighted and pursued, instead of auditioning like many other hopefuls. And remarkably, both needed convincing by MTV producers to accept the offer. the Perhaps opportunity for The Observer/Ashleigh Thompson London cast

Europe as well as Africa,) proved the biggest drawing card. Perhaps Lars

stated it best when he remarked, "Being on "The Real World" does open a lot of

like a caged zoo animal, as curious students peered Kat and Lars record station ID's for WVFI and WSND last Friday as inside. Kat, 21, tried to part of their appearance for the Student Union Board. blend in with the young crowd, relieved to fine!" doors for you, but you have to walk through them." Kat hails from a small town in Washington, while⁴ Lars calls Berlin home. Both now reside in New York City. Sitting with them in the Olive Garden for lunch seemed almost surreal. Their celebrity status vanished as we sat and joked about Jenny McCarthy or the club scene in South Bend. These two interesting people experienced something out of the ordinary, nothing more. Even Kat and Lars themselves marvel at the countless requests they, along with the other veterans from the series, receive for speaking engagements. After talking to them about the fanfare for a while, it seems like both of them are holding their breaths until, ironically enough, the can once again re- enter the true real world.

The main entrees are delightful. The hot and spicy dishes are conve-

niently labeled with a bright red pepper, so your tastebuds can be spared if you're wary of hot foods. Entree highlights include the Stirfried

Chicken with Lemon Grass (\$7.50) and the Flaming Chicken, which is

cooked right in front of the guest (\$9.95). There is an entree for every

taste. The restaurant offers dishes with beef, chicken, pork or

seafood, all at surprisingly reasonable prices.



By JUSTYN HARKIN Money Talks Correspondent

Money Talks is a new feature here at Accent that will appear every other week. We welcome any suggestions or money questions you might have, which can be addressed to the author c/o The Observer.

It's dollar import night at your favorite bar and you don't have a penny to your name. This is a problem. All you can think about is all the fun that your friends are going to be having while you get to stay at home and do nothing.

Your first though is, "where did all the money go?" but you know darned well were it is. A quick peek to your checkbook will reveal fifteen consecutive checks all written for seven dollars and thirty cents. That man's name might be Papa, but he sure ain't your Daddy.

O.K., maybe pizza isn't your vice, but something else is. Whether it's compact discs, beer, or those pesky little course packets, you have no money and now you can't go out.

Perhaps a particularly compassionate friend will point out that there's going to be a Mortal Kombat tournament down the hall later on, or that someone was thinking about having a few people over, maybe, but you are not consoled. You have just as much a right to use that fleamarket fake ID as any of your more affluent

friends; it's only a matter of finances. While mooching the money is always an option, you should be warned that it's tacky and it won't win you any friends. What you need to do is come up with a couple of bucks for one lousy night. Fortunately for you, Mr. or Ms. Frugal, it's not that difficult.

Although it may sound a little drastic, you can sell some of your stuff to come up with the cash. There are some music stores in the area such as Tracks and Disc-Go-Round that will purchase your unwanted CD's for cash. Record stores that offer such services will generally pay up to five dollars for each CD, depending upon the CD's condition and popularity.

Now, just because you happen to have an extensive collection of Englebert Humperdink does not mean you're automatically rich. In fact, it does not even guarantee that you'll get any money at all.

When you bring in your CD's, the cashier will check the store's inventory on their computer to see whether they can give ole' Englebert a home. Depending upon how many Englebert Humperdink CD's the store already owns, the cashier will either buy your entire collection, select parts of it, or send you on your merry (and still penniless) way

If a store is willing to buy your CD's, there are certain things you can do to ensure a extra dollar

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s owners offer an authentic Thai atmosphere and delicious, unusual

o Chinese or Indian food, featuring a strong nd noodles. The Thai food, however, has exploring a broader range of sweet and

Many of the dishes are served with glass noodle soup, rice, and sticky rice at no additional cost. Larger appetites will enjoy the combination dishes, which include the Royal Dinner (fish, hot and spicy chicken, beef in dried red curry), the Palace Dinner (chicken in yellow curry, beef in oyster sauce, and stirfried pork with roasted chili paste), or the Northeastern Dinner (papaya salad, friend chicken, choice of pork or beef) ranging from \$12.95 to \$13.95.

The restaurant is vegetarian friendly as well. offering two delicious dishes. The hot and spicy vegetables and tofu is a little spicy, but delicious; while the stirfried assorted vegetables is more fitting for those who are more comfortable with milder tastes.

All in all, Bahn Thai is a great restaurant A bit more expensive than Taco Bell, but of a definite higher quality (blasphemy, all you Taco Bell worshippers), that offers a unique experience and proves that there is indeed fine dining in South Bend.

ike Ruma Joey Crawford is a junior communications major from Williamsport, PA. Accent will be featuring restaurant reviews every other week this semester, so if you have a favorite to recommend or a suggestion that you'd like our gourmet guinea pigs to try out first, let us know!

or two. Something as simple as a scratched jewel case can shave a dollar or more off of the price of your CD, so if you happen to have a shiny, new case you may want to switch it with the scratched one.

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Justyn Harkin is a junior Dillon Hall resident from Hoffman Estates, IL.

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game].'

"Everyone has a good feeling," said eshman center Ben Simon. "We're freshman center Ben Simon. clicking, we're having fun, and we're working hard. Last week we worked a lot on the basics, like passing, skating, and 2-on-1's. We know that if we get some goals that Matty [Eisler] will keep them to one or two goals per game.'

A large part of the outcome of this game rests on junior goaltender Eisler's shoulders.

He has been hot lately, allowing only five goals over the past three games. In doing so he has lowered his goalsagainst average to 3.22, which would be the best finish for an Irish goaltender since 1971. "Matt's playing terrific," stated Poulin. If Eisler is on, the Spartans will have a difficult time solving

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him. Just ask opposing coaches whose teams have been stumped by Eisler-Alaska-Fairbanks coach Dave Laurion, after a 6-2 Irish win, said, "he [Eisler] had our number tonight. He made some excellent saves," or St. Cloud State Husky coach Craig Dahl, after a 5-2 Irish victory, who stated, "their goaltender made some outstanding saves.

Other key factors will be Notre Dame's ability to play consistently at a high level. Over the past three games, the Irish have made large strides towards that goal, turning in solid performances every night. "We've had consistency and good efforts," quipped Poulin. "As the players' standards increase, I can demand more from them, too.'

With the play-offs hanging delicately in the balance, every game looms large, especially for a young team fighting for the final spot. Poulin, who after 12 seasons in the NHL is no stranger to playoffs, summarized it best when he said, "every game is simply a fight."



Tonight the Irish will attempt to avenge a 4-3 loss to Michigan State suffered earlier in the season. Notre Dame is coming off two positive outings against St. Cloud State

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL **Canseco headed** back to Oakland

By ROB GLOSTER Associated Press Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. The Bash Brothers are together again.

Jose Canseco returned to the Oakland Athletics in a trade from Boston on Monday and will be reunited with Mark McGwire, with whom he formed one of the most explosive combos in baseball in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

With Canseco and McGwire combining for 200 homers in 1988-90, the A's won three straight AL pennants. Canseco had five seasons of more than 30 homers for Oakland, including 44 in 1991 and 42 in 1988.

"If McGwire and myself can stay healthy the whole year, I think definitely we're going to win our division,'

Canseco said in a conference call from his home in Miami. 'Potentially we can lead the

league in home runs.' Canseco was sent back to Oakland for right-handed pitcher John Wasdin, who was 8-7 with a 5.96 ERA last season in 25 games, 21 of them starts. The Athletics also got cash, apparently to pay part of Canseco's \$4.5 million base salary this sea-

A's assistant general manager Billy Beane said Boston was paying the Athletics more than \$500,000, but would not be more specific about the amount.

The trade had been anticipated for several weeks. The outline of the deal had been in place since last week, but Canseco first had to undergo a physical exam demanded by the Athletics.

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will cause more incoming stu-

dents to be interested in the Saint Mary's athletic program," sophomore soccer player Jo Wagner said.

People hope the conference will be a selling point for students interested in attending Saint Mary's College.

"The conference will allow the athletic teams to become stronger which will help recruit more students. The MIAA will be good for Saint Mary's overall because it will help fulfill our goal of increased enrollment," Fravis said.

Both the coaches and players are enthusiastic about the new conference. They have a positive outlook at their chance for a NCAA bid.

"It is difficult to get into the NCAA tournament if you are not in a conference. Our team can now set a goal to win conference so we can get a bid to the NCAA tournament," basketball coach David Roeder said.

It is also felt that the MIAA will help the Belles evaluate their

performance. "We will be able to measure our performance and progress with other teams in the conference. Before all we looked at was our record," sophomore basketball player Charlotte Albrecht said.

The Belles will begin their provisional year in the MIAA at the start of the '97-98 season. Saint Mary's will be a full-fledged member in the '98-99 season. Because the MIAA also includes cross-country and golf, the Saint Mary's Athletic Department hopes to add cross-country to the program in the fall and golf in a few years.

The MIAA has an outstanding academic/athletic record. There have been 83 academic all Americans since 1980 and 37 students have received NCAA scholarships for post graduate studies. The MIAA used to include all Michigan schools until they addition of Saint Mary's and Defiance College in Ohio. Other teams the conference includes: Adrian, Albion, Alma, Calvin, Hope, Kalamazoo, and Olivet, all who the Belles have played in past seasons.

There are many benefits for being part of this conference.

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First, the student athletes will have a greater visibility. The conference also provides postseason play recognition which will help get the college name out. Finally, there will be many opportunities for academic recognition for the student athletes.

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The time put into deciding to and choosing a conference demonstrates the importance the athletic program and athletes are to Saint Mary's College.

"This is an exciting time for the athletes. When I played at Saint Mary's we were a part of the NAIA, then when I began to coach we joined the NCAA, and now we are in a conference. This shows Saint Mary's athletics is constantly improving," volleyball coach and SMC alumna Julie Schroeder-Biek said.

There is also a hope that membership in the new conference will cause more Saint Mary's students to support these athletes.

"Just by watching the Olympics this summer, it is obvious that involvement in women's sports has increased. It is also clear that so has spectator involvement. Our student athletes work hard to represent Saint Mary's College and I encourage people to go watch them," Timm said.

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NFL

Tagliabue to decide future of Parcells, Patriots

By HOWARD ULMAN Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue will decide whether coach Bill Parcells, who took the New England Patriots to the Super Bowl, is free to leave them behind.

A conference call involving Tagliabue and both sides in the dispute over Parcells' contract is set for Tuesday with a decision possible by Wednesday.

Parcells claims he can coach wherever he wants in 1997. The Patriots requested the conference call, and owner Robert Kraft says Parcells cannot coach or take a comparable position with any other NFL team next season.

Despite the Patriots' successful season, ending with Sunday's 35-21 Super Bowl loss to the Green Bay Packers, Kraft and Parcells have had a cool relationship.

A Tagliabue decision in the team's favor would give Kraft leverage to demand compensation from any club that wants to hire Parcells.

Patriots players and coaches seemed to be in the dark as they prepared for their trip to the airport for their return home.

"I didn't get any inclination of what he's going to do," said guard William Roberts, who also played for Parcells on two New York Giants championship teams. After the game, "he was saying that no matter what happens, you all stick together and commit yourselves."

Dante Scarnecchia, a defensive assistant, said all Parcells' coaches hope he stays with the Patriots.

"Ile's an impact guy in so many ways," Scarnecchia said. "This guy is a special guy, he's a special coach, he's a special person."

The Patriots motorcade seven police motorcycles, two stretch limousines and four buses — left for the New Orleans airport late Monday morning without Parcells.

He reportedly did not leave New Orleans on the team charter flight but said he would be in New England on Tuesday.

Parcells said after the game that he hadn't thought about his future.

"My whole time has been occupied with getting to this point," he said.

As of Sunday, the Jets had not contacted the Patriots for permission to talk with Parcells, according to Patriots spokesman Don Lowery. He also said the team had no firm plans to interview possible successors.

"We have a coach," Lowery said.

A report last week said San Francisco defensive coordinator Pete Carroll, who coached the Jets for one year in 1994, would meet with Patriots officials Thursday. But Tagliabue's ruling may not be issued by then.

The Patriots have been in two Super Bowls, both losses, and woke up both times to more turmoil.

Exactly 11 years earlier in the same Superdome, they lost to the Chicago Bears 46-10. The next day, they voted to accept a voluntary testing program amid reports of drug use by players.

As players filtered into their hotel lobby to check out Monday, they were peppered with questions about their coach's future. All said Parcells didn't talk about that after Sunday's game.

"If he's done, I wish him well," said cornerback Otis Smith, who was burned by Andre Rison for Green Bay's first touchdown. "Hopefully, I can play with him again."

Smith also said he didn't feel empty about the Super Bowl loss.

"It's just something that happened," he said. "We came up short. We gave it a valiant effort."

Before this season, Kraft agreed to shorten Parcells' original five-year contract by one year, advancing the expiration date to this Saturday.

Conflicting interpretations of what that revision means for next season are at the heart of the dispute.

Kraft claims Parcells can't coach or hold a similar job with any other NFL team in 1997, while Parcells says other parts of the contract allow him to work wherever he wishes.

If the Jets were to negotiate

with Parcells before Tagliabue rules, it would violate the NFL's tampering regulations. Kraft has not suggested that has happened.

After the 1994 season, Tagliabue punished the Carolina Panthers for tampering with Dom Capers, then Pittsburgh's defensive coordinator, and awarded the Steelers a third- and fifth-round draft choice.

Ditka close to deal with Saints



Ditka, expected to become the Saints' coach this week, was in New Orleans for the pregame coin toss at the Super Bowl. He wasn't doing much talking Sunday, but when he left the field Ditka was asked if he would bring the Saints to the championship game. He smiled and mouthed

game

"Yes," to the question.

Ditka spent Monday evening at a suburban hotel near New Orleans International airport. He was visited briefly by Saints Interim coach Rick Venturi Saints owner Tom Benson has promised Venturi a job in the organization. Speculation was that the Saints would announce Ditka's hiring Tuesday. When asked Monday night if a news conference was planned, team spokesman Rusty Kasmiersky said, "not yet."

Kuharich, 43, recommended hiring Ditka, and will remain with the Saints as general manager and president, an NFL source told The Associated Press. Kuharich has been with the Saints for 11 years.

His contract as general manager expired this month, but his contract as vice president of football operations runs through June 30.

Kuharich was hired by the late Jim Finks in 1986 as the director of player personnel. In January 1994, Kuharich was promoted to vice president of football operations. He became general manager last January, and has said he wants to retain the position.

Ditka led Chicago to six NFC Central titles, three NFC Championship games and the Bears' only Super Bowl victory, a 46-10 rout of New England 11 years ago. The Saints look to him to give the team instant credibility, spark ticket sales and produce the same excitement the combination of Finks and Jim Mora provided a decade ago. Finks hired Mora, who in his

Finks hired Mora, who in his second year gave the franchise its first winning record and took the Saints to the playoffs four times.

New Orleans has had trouble dealing with free agency, however, losing a string of good players. Four seasons ago, after starting off with a fivegame winning streak, the Saints finished 8-8. Since then, they have had three straight losing seasons, falling to 3-13 in 1996.

Mora resigned halfway through the season, after the team fell to 2-6. He cited personal reasons.

With Venturi as interim coach, the Saints lost seven of their last eight games while playing the league's easiest schedule.

The Saints did not sell out a home game last season, and season ticket sales fell as well.

Benson said last week he would keep Venturi and special teams coach Bobby April. Benson has not said in what capacity the men would stay.





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Jazz Dance — A Jazz Dance class will be offered Monday and Wednesday from 6-7:15 p.m. in Rockne Rm. 219. All levels are welcome, but space is limited. There will be an information meeting on Jan. 26 at 2 p.m. in Rockne Rm. 301. The fee is \$30 for the semester and sign-ups will begin at 8 a.m. on Jan. 27 in the RecSports office. Classes begin on Feb.

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- RecSports in RAD conjunction with Notre Dame Security/Police will be sponsoring a RAD class for women only from Jan. 21-30. The class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30-9:30 p.m. in Rockne Rm. 301. The central focus of this 12 hour program is learning and practicing physical tactics to defend against assault. The program is taught by RAD certified instructors who are university police officers at Notre Dame. Register in advance at RecSports beginning today. Class size is limited. There will not be a fee for this class.

Cross Country Ski Clinics RecSports will be sponsoring three clinics this winter. The first clinic will be on Jan. 25 at 11 a.m. and there will be two offered on Feb. 1 at 10 a.m. and at 2 p.m. The fee for the clinic is \$5 with an additional \$3 rental fee if you need to rent skis. Registration in advance is required for all three cross country clinics.

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ply looked too polished for the high school level at times.

Kurt Vollers: The Irish have continued to mine California for talent and struck gold in Anaheim's all-American offensive tackle Kurt Vollers (6-7, 275, 4.8). Vollers committed to the Irish less than a week after Rego

Vollers has the frame and the athleticism to be a great offensive tackle. USA Today listed him on their preseason all-USA first team, NRA ranks him as the 38th offensive player in the nation, and Wallace considers him the second best tackle.

"He's legit," Wallace explained. "He is rated by nearly every school as one of the nation's top ten offensive linemen.'

Casey Robin: Offensive linemen Casey Robin (6-6, 290, 5.0) of Covington, La. was a surprise commitment to the Irish. Not that he was expected to commit elsewhere, but that he was a relative unknown.

"He has exceptional size and strength," Wallace commented. The silent three: Kustok,

Rego, Vollers and Robin were the only known commitments prior to Lou Holtz resignation, but four other all-Americans were considered either "silent commitments" or heavy leans for the Irish.

All-American athlete Tony Driver (6-2, 205, 4.4) of Louisville, Ky. was the gem of Holtz's and offensive coordinator Dave Robert's recruiting campaign. He was the leading contender for USA Today's Offensive Player of the Year and is a prototype multi-purpose back who could fill needs at running back, wide receiver and cornerback.

Most importantly he had visited the Irish three times on his own, professed a love for the school and announced that the Irish were the big leaders for his services. Recruiting analysts later announced him a "silent" commitment to Notre Dame.

Norfolk, Virginia's cornerback James Whitley (6-0, 180, 4.5) was named the number one cornerback in the country by NRA. In early July, Whitley confessed that Notre Dame was his favorite. In September, College Recruiting Services announced that Whitley was a "silent" commitment to the Irish. He would be the first big name cornerback Tuesday, January 28, 1997

prospect signed by the Irish since Bobby Taylor.

The third, athlete Billy Dee Greenwood (6-2, 175, 4.4) of Norwalk, Conn. was another cornerback/athlete prospect that had the Irish drooling. Going into November, the Irish were number one on Greenwood's list. NRA and Wallace considered him a lock for the Irish and many expected a commitment during his official visit in December.

Whitley Driver, and Greenwood were later named to USA Today's all-USA first team in December.

Holtz's final days: Lou Holtz had almost been prophetic. The Irish were finally going to fill the corner and receiver speed positions that had hurt him against Ohio State.

Three blue chip recruits had already committed, and four more where awaiting test scores and official visits before joining the list.

Nothing could stop the Irish recruiting campaign this year.

Then Holtz resigned, the admissions department hesitated and the fragile class fell apart.

See Thursday's Observer for part two of Notre Dame football recruiting.









The Huddle in LaFortune Student Center



TRACK AND FIELD

Irish sweep rival Hoosiers in weekend showdown

By WILLY BAUER Sports Writer Indiana in its dual-meet home opener on Saturday.

Notre Dame's indoor track team dominated in-state rival The men's squad cruised past the Hoosiers by an 86.5-75.5 tally, while the women posted a

84-66 victory. Junior Errol Williams posted two victories on the day, in the 60-meter hurdles and the 200meters. Teammate Jeff Hojnacki also tallied two victories in long-distance events. He won the 600 and 800-meter races.

For the women, freshman Dominque Calloway continued to shine. She placed first in the 60-meter hurdles, the 60-meter dash and 200-meter races. Calloway's time in the 60-meter hurdles, 8.28 seconds, qualified her for the NCAA indoor championships. She has already set the Notre Dame record in the 200-meter event, and advanced to the 1996 U.S. Olympic Trials.

JoAnna Deeter was the longdistance star of the women's team, posting two first place finishes. Deeter took the 3,000 and the mile, in which teammate Patti Rice was the runnerup.

The Irish men opened the meet with Jay Hofner's first place finish in the 35-pound weight throw. Freshman

Marshaun West won his second consecutive long-jump event. He placed first at the Michigan Invitational last weekend.

The women did not fare as well as the men in the beginning of their meet, but relied on a strong finish to post the victory.

Rice's high finish in the mile pushed the Irish past the Hoosiers, who were leading the meet after the first four events.

Nadia Schmiedt won the 600meter race and Alison Howard won the 400-meter to seal the women's victory.

Notre Dame placed first and second in the men's mile and the pole vault. Mike Conway and Jason Rexing topped the mile runners while Mike Brown and Dave Gerrity vaulted past their competition. Pat Mousaw won the triple-jump, rubbing salt in the wound of the visiting Hoosiers.







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FENCING

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Irish fall despite solid effort

By DAVID FRICK

Sports Writer

The Irish fencing squad went to the Penn State meet with a mission to place themselves solidly at the top of the collegiate compe-

t i t i o n . Though the team failed to achieve their goal of defeating the top school, Penn State, the weekend was far from



was far from a waste.

"The weekend was disappointing because of our loss, but it was encouraging in how we measured up against the best," said sophomore foilist Stephane Auriol.

The team faced the toughest competition in all of the nation. Penn State won a convincing victory in the NCAA Championships last year, and St. John's also competed well to finish a strong third behind the Irish. To overtake these solid teams, the pervading feeling of the men's team was that perfection would be the only way. Though they performed well, the other two teams proved to be just slightly better.

"Against Penn State, everyone had to fence their best. They are a very solid team from top to bottom. We had a few people who just had an off day, which will happen, and we fell just a little short," said head coach Yves Auriol.

Sophomore epeeist C.J. Jackson and freshman foilist Chas Hayes provided the two brightest points for the Irish on the men's side. Jackson, coming off a layoff since his outstanding freshman year in which he earned second team all-American honors, let it be known that he will continue where he left off.

"C.J. did well the entire day. He was a real leader out on the strip for the epee team. His best moment came when he finished 3-0 against St. John's, who is probably better than Penn State in the epee," said the elder Auriol. "For C.J. to do as well as he

did in his first meet back in a year and a half is just awesome," said the fencer Auriol.

Hayes provided a consistency all day long that would be more typical of a seasoned veteran. But by going 2-1 against Penn State, Hayes announced that he would not lay down in the face of pressure.

"Chas fenced with a lot of emotion. I knew he could do well, but for him to step up in his first big collegiate match against the best teams around is incredible," said the younger Auriol.

Hayes could not deny the great pressure, but his effective way of fighting through it helped produce his outstanding results. "I was kind of nervous, espe-

i was kind of nervous, especially at first. But all I could do is block it out, let the team give me a push, and try to hold my own weight," said Hayes.

The women's team performed well, but also fell to the strong Penn State squad. A particularly strong performance was turned in by junior epee captain Anne Hoos, who continues to grow stronger by the week.

"Anne did a very solid job during the whole competition. She just keeps making progress in leaps and bounds," said the elder Auriol.

"It really inspires us to see our captain come in with a

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good result. Anne got off to a great start, and once she gets on a roll, she won't stop," said freshman epeeist Magda Krol.

Krol continued her excellent play on the strip despite a loss in her first match against Penn State. Faced with the early defeat, Krol could have packed it in and just called it a bad day. But her unyielding relentlessness pushed her to dominate all but one of the rest of her matches.

"After the first bout, I was worried that I would do poorly the entire day. I was happy that I recovered and I felt I did well from that point on," Krol said.

So though the team failed to overtake the best, the whole squad could take pride in their positive progress during the weekend.

The eight weeks until the NCAA Championships will give the team time to make the adjustments to make a strong run for the title.

"Even though we got off to a rough start against Penn State, it just gives us reason to work harder during the season to overcome them in the tournament," Krol said.

MEN'S TENNIS Talented squad remains undefeated

By JIM ZALETA Sports Writer

With two wins this past weekend the men's tennis team is off to one of its best starts in recent years. Two team wins this past weekend against Depaul and Miami (Ohio), improved Notre Dame's already perfect record. With a win againist the University of Illinois this Thursday, the team will have its best start since 1992, when they finished the season with a No. 2 ranking.

Freshman Ryan Sachire improved his singles record to 4-0, with a No. 1 and a No. 2 singles win Saturday. Sachire's career record improved to an impressive 19-2. At No. 1 singles, Sachire defeated Alan Pintaric of DePaul 6-3, 7-5, and defeated Miami's Dave Abelson 6-4, 6-0 in the second position.

Againist Depaul, in the first match of the day, the Irish won all six singles matches. Notre Dame only lost one set in the entire match. Brian Patterson won the No. 2 singles match 7-6, 6-3. Patterson, a sophomore, still possesses an untarnished record. Other winners were Ryan Simme, Eric Enloe, and Vijay Freeman.

In the second match of the afternoon, the Irish beat Miami (Ohio) 5-1. Again, the Irish were led by Sachire and senior captain Ryan Simme. Simme defeated Chris Ritchie in No. 3 singles by a score of 6-2, 6-2. Simme's career record is now 85-52 and he is the the only Irish player with NCAA singles tournament experience.

"He will need to be leader and set an example for this year's team," head coach Bobby Bayliss commented earlier in the season.

The younger players this season are stepping it up, following the leadership of their cocaptain. Bayliss is confident in Simme's chances to once again qualify for the singles tournament at the end of the season.

Other winners in the match were Dan Rothchild, Enloe, and Freeman who won their No. 4, 5 and 6 matches respectively. Jakub Pietrowski was defeated 6-4, 6-4 in No. 1 singles.

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: actress Marthe Keller, sculptor Claes Oldenburg, author Susan Sontag, activist Jose Marti.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Someone goes all out to please you. Asking for a favor or financial support will help you make an impor-tant purchase. Weigh a job offer

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Meetings with professional col-leagues go well. You discover mutu-al interests beyond work. A former associate returns to town with a special request

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Delegate as much responsibility as possible today. Long-term planning is helpful, even if things do not always work out. Be smart. Schedule regular medical and dental check-ups for yourself and your loved one

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Unfinished household chores deserve your prompt attention. Resist the urge to procrastinate. Playing uplifting music will invigorate you. A romantic partner or family friend shares good news. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your

personal magnetism is working overtime. Passions run high. Be true

to your values and ideals. Make sure new relationships are built on a

foundation of mutual respec VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Fin-ish a project that is long overdue. Discipline is the glue that keeps your work team intact. Reinforce your natural optimism through prayer and meditation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Go that extra mile to ensure victory. True grit will put you in the driver's seat at work. Plant the seeds of prosperity and watch them blossom. Conservative investments are

favored over high-risk gambles. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Keep your nose to the grindstone until you see the light at the end of the tunnel. Tried-and-true procedures are favored when it comes to money management. Postpone signing a new agreement. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21): Mental clarity is essential to business or career progress. Concentration will be easier if you seek a distraction-free environment. Someone could experience a change of heart in romance. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19): Recent obstacles disappear as new doors open. Make amends to a loved one who wants more of your time. Do not expect too much too soon where an investment is con-cerned. These things take time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Talk frankly with family members. Putting all of your cards on the table will convince them of your sincerity. Extravagance and greed are taboo.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Welcome new experiences. En-hanced communication skills will vault you to prominence. Offer to take on a writing or public relations assignment. Superficial people are best avoided. Jog or work out at a nearby gym.

OF INTEREST

Wednesday Lunch Fast: Today is the last day to sign up to miss a meal and contribute to World Hunger Relief organizations. Signups are posted in dining halls

Scott Mainwaring, professor and chair of the Department of Government and International Studies, will be speaking on "Rethinking Theories of Party Systems from a Latin American Perspective" today at 12:30 p.m. in C-103 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies

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JEANE DIXON



SPORTS

Tuesday, January 28, 1997

FOOTBALL

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Irish feel the need for speed

The needs had been obvious, especially to Lou Holtz. During his press conference

after the loss to Ohio State, Holtz pointed to a lack of speed as his team's Achilles heel.

Not that this should be a surprise. For the past three years recruiting analysts have criticized Notre Dame

Recruiting Correspondent

for their inability to sign top cornerbacks and receivers.

Yet, when Holtz complained about the Irish's lack of speed, he made a surprising announcement. He guaranteed that this recruiting class would have speed. He promised that on February 5 the Irish would have a class of track stars

By November, Holtz looked like a prophet. Three blue-chip recruits had committed to the Irish and three of the top athletes in the nation were Notre Dame's to lose.

Zak Kustok: Prior to Ron Powlus' announcement to return for a 5th season, the Irish planned

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to sign two quarterbacks. Zak Kustok (6-3, 185, 4.6) of Orland Park, Ill. was the first- and now only- quarterback to commit. Actually, he committed to the Irish as a sophomore even though Holtz didn't offer a scholarship until this April.

Kustok entered his senior season with much acclaim as the National Recruiting Advisors' fifth ranked pass-run quarterback in the nation. As a junior, he completed 90 of his 165 passes for 1,260 yards, 12 TD's and only 3 INT's. He also rushed 33 times for 450 yards and 9 TD's.

As a senior, Kustok's team fell apart. He lost both starting wide receivers to academics and basketball, and most of his offensive line to graduation. Thus, behind a weak line. Kustok completed only 48 percent of his passes for close to 1000 yards, seven TD's and three INT's. He was forced to scramble for over 600 yards and sixTD's

According to Bobby Burton of the National Recruiting Advisor (NRA), "[Zak Kustok] is simply too good to pass up. He fits the Holtzstyle of offense. He can run, pass and doesn't turn the ball over very often.

Cooper Rego: Tailback Cooper

Rego (5-9, 190, 4.38) of Montvale, N.J. was the second commitment to the Irish and, presently, the rose of the class. There was some concern about Rego's speed, but during Notre Dame's 1996 summer camp he ran 4.38 and 4.41 second 40 yard dashes. The Irish wasted no time offering the shifty speedster a scholarship, and Rego committed on August 23.

Even with the scholarship in pocket, Rego did not ease up as he led St. Joseph's to the New Jersey Parochial Group 3 State Championship. In the championship game Rego rushed 33 times for 288 yards, five touchdowns and three two-point conversions. He scored all of his team's points in the 36-20 victory. For the season, Rego rushed for

2,542 yards and scored 35 TD's. He was named USA Today's New Jersey Player of the Year, was named to USA Today's all-USA second team and is considered a top 15 running back by recruiting analysts. NRA named him one of the top 25 players in the nation prior to his senior year.

"A real scatback, this guy is a lot of fun to watch," Allan Wallace of SuperPrep stated. "Rego sim-

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The Observer/Mike Rur Understanding his team's need for speed, former head coach Lou Holtz rounded up some of the top athletes in the nation.

Stability, competition expected in MIAA



By STEPHANIE VILLINSKI Sports Writer

It is always an honor to be asked to join a particular organization. The Saint Mary's College Athletic Department felt such an honor recently when they were invited to apply for membership into a number of college sports conferences.

The Saint Mary's Athletic Department has been a Division III member of NCAA, but as an independent. Thus, it was time for them to join a conference.

There was a great deal of time spent deciding on which conference would be the best for Saint Mary's College to join.

"We looked at the best conference for the Saint Mary's student athlete always keeping in mind the primary role of the student, but also their dedication to their sport," Vice President for Student Affairs ic competition that compliments the MIAA," Director of Athletics and Recreation Jan Travis said.

During the past few years. the Belles have been at the mercy of the other teams they played. This was because those teams belonged to a conference. Saint Mary's had to work around the other teams' conference schedules. Consequently, the Belles were left with an unfair schedule which caused these athletes to miss too much class time.

Joining the MIAA will allow the Saint Mary's athletes to have a uniform schedule because more matches will be played on the weekends. The athletes will also not have to travel as far.

"I think joining the MIAA will create a consistency in who we play. We will not have to travel as much on weekends so we will not have to miss as many classes," junior soccer player

Носкеу Spartans come for rematch

By CHARLEY GATES Sports Writer

The Michigan State Spartans hockey team (14-6-2) rolls into the Joyce Center for a Central Collegiate Hockey Association game tonight against the Irish at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center. The Spartans, who defeated the Irish 4-3 on December 6, are looking to protect homeice advantage in the play-offs while the Boys of Winter, tenuously clinging to eighth place by one point, will try to defend the final playoff spot in the CCHA.

The Irish are coming off a strong showing against No. 8 ranked St. Cloud State, whom the Irish pummeled on Friday night and to whom the Irish lost a close game on Saturday night. What does such a strong showing do for a team? "It tells us that we can play," observed head coach Dave Poulin. "We had a terrific effort both nights. We were focused, we created offensive chances, and we played good transition hockey. I really hope that we can carry those things over [to tonight's see SPARTANS / page 10



Belles' sophomore Sheila Sandrine (right) is one of the many Saint Mary's athletes who will benefit from their membership in the MIAA.

Linda Timm said.

Saint Mary's was notified in November that they were accepted to the oldest collegiate conference in America, the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA). The MIAA has a strong history in both athletics and academics. The MIAA is a good academic match for Saint Mary's because they share similar philosophies. They both believe the student comes first. "Saint Mary's College has a long tradition of academic

excellence and legacy of athlet-

Keary Sullivan said.

Another advantage of becoming a member of the MIAA is the opportunity for student athletes to receive athletic and academic recognition. The new conference will also bring closure to the Belles' seasons. All the teams will now end their season with a conference tournament.

'The MIAA will help give our team realistic goals and let us know where we stand. I also think being in this conference

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