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■ STUDENT SENATE

Group receives clause update, discusses policy

By TIM LOGAN Assistant News Editor

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Wednesday from committees researching the proposed non-discrimination clause amendment and response to the half-time events during the football game on Oct. 31, as well as

focusing on

s e n a t e behavior and ethics and the official nominee for coordinator of "The Shirt" project.

Pat Foy, chair of the senate's adhoc non-discrimination clause

committee, reported that his group reaffirmed the senate's earlier resolution asking the Academic Council to approve adding sexual

orientation to the legal clause.

"We hope that the Academic Council .. will find a way to incorporate sexual orientation into the non-discrimination clause," said Foy, noting that six

o the r American Catholic schools have legally protected homosexual students and faculty, including

PAT FOY

CHAIR, NON-DISCRIMINATION

CLAUSE COMMITTEE

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McGlinn Hall senator Jill Esenwein reported that Director of Food Services Dave Prentkowski refused to reconsider his decision to ban backpacks in the South Dining Hall.

A Day of Remembrance ...



President Bill Clinton lays a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns as U.S. Army Major Gen. Robert Ivany stands by during ceremonies Wednesday at Arlington National Compton in Virginia Clinton laid the surrouth. monies Wednesday at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. Clinton laid the wreath in honor of those who have fought and served in America's armed forces.

Showcase provides info on employers

By RUTH SNELL News Writer

The Saint Mary's College Showcase of Careers attracts students in all classes and majors, providing an opportunity to learn more about employers.

"Its main emphasis is making connections and getting information to make career decisions," said Susan Simmerman, assistant director for career development at the Counseling and Career Development Center.

Thirty-eight organizations, many from the South Bend-Chicago area, are expected to present information. Spes Unica Resource and Volunteer Center [SURV] and Legal Services Program of Northern Indiana, Inc., which are both volunteer organizations, will also be present. National firms will also be represented, including First Chicago NBD; Merck & Co., Inc.; the FBI; and Ernst and Young.

"Businesses primarily come because

they're interested in our students," Simmerman said.

The Medill Graduate School of Journalism from Northwestern University and the Loyola University Institute for Paralegal Studies will also be represented to provide information about education after college.

For the inexperienced, there will be a student information table with a list of potential questions to ask employ-

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Panel focuses on modern human rights

By SARAH MAGNESS

News Writer

Human rights violations are widespread and often happen closer to home than people realize, according to a student panel discussing the issue at Saint Mary's College Wednesday.

Katie Cousino, member of the Saint Mary's Collaborative Leadership Team [COLT], said that the panel is an event to increase student awareness in preparation for the upcoming 50th anniversary of the U.N. Declaration of Human Rights.

The panel consisted of three students sharing their hands-on experiences of seeing the lack of human rights in event, which took place in Saint Mary's Haggar Parlor, was intended to inform students of the reality that human rights are being violated, and this is occurring close to home, Cousino said.

Julie Hodek, a Notre Dame sophomore, opened the discussion talking about her summer internship experiences. Hodek worked for the American Federation of Labor-Congress οf Organizations [AFL-CIO]. Through her work, Hodek learned the importance of empowering workers who had been denied in receiving higher wages, better insurance and more efficient health

"Unions bring people together collectively to help turn the tables in an economy that favors the corporations," said

Members of the panel agreed that when the subject of denying human rights comes up, few people associate it with the United States. But it is a definite reality to Saint Mary's College junior Mary Porter.

Porter, who lives in Appalachia,

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■ INSIDE COLUMN

The Only Thing I Can Count On

My family is not as financially secure as most others here on campus. Still, my family makes do with what we have. Being a single parent can't be easy, but my mother

has somehow been able to provide my sister, my brother and me with a nice home to keep us

C.R. "Teo" Teodoro
Illustrations Editor

warm and dry, good food to put into our bellies, the best possible education available, and the sincere caring that only she can provide. And that doesn't include some of the other perks that she's given us.

Still, how did we get through all of this? How did my family happen to do so well, a single mother with no bachelor's degree and her three bratty, but very adorable (the oldest one is the cutest; can you guess which one I am?) kiddies?

As many have said before, family is the key. But my family doesn't end with my mother and siblings. I remember when I was a kid when we would all go to our grandparents' home almost every weekend. We three kids and our cousin would all play around while our grandparents looked after us. Ever now and then, our uncle would take us to Golfland to play at the arcades or to the movie theaters. Our aunts would hook us up with trips to the beach or the park, or sometimes just dinner. If anyone of us needed help, someone in the family could be asked to assist.

Now we have three new cousins since the four of us have grown up. They are the kids of the family now, so we also help out taking care of them and playing with them just as other family members played with us. I guess you can say we belong to the Clan Rivera, though I still call us family.

Family has to support each other. When my Mom, or my aunt or uncle were down, the family helped them up. We would not expect any less. That's the thing that many people have forgotten about the family: love and loyalty. Despite the pressures that society put on us, we came through. We were together, and that was what kept us alive. We are family.

I can never forget my family. Even being away from them, I am still closer to them than anyone else here. It's hard being away. It is only with family that I feel truly at home.

I'm surprised when I see other families in so much hurt because they do not help each other out. Maybe it's the culture my family came from. I'm the first person of the first generation to be born here in the States; all previous generations came from the Philippines. I would have to say I'm lucky for my family. Even when I feel so alone, I can always count on family. ND, for the most part, has just been a thorn in my side. I can't rely on government and society to help me when it can't even properly help itself. As for God, well, why bother with some hidden deity when you got God right in your home. Family is first for me. That's the only thing I can really count on.

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

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Outside the Dome

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Yale faculty member investigated for child pornography

NEW HAVEN, Conn. Former Saybrook Master Antonio Lasaga, who resigned suddenly from his position last Friday, is the subject of a federal child pornography investigation, television station WFSB-TV reported yesterday.

FBI agents found several pornographic pictures of children and two computers that were used to download, store and print child pornography, the station reported, citing unnamed FBI sources.

The evidence was uncovered in Lasaga's Saybrook rooms during a search executed by the FBI last Friday.

Top Yale officials confirmed last night that the FBI is investigating Lasaga, but they refused to comment on the scope of the investigation.

No criminal charges had been filed against Lasaga as of yesterday evening.



The inventory of items removed has not yet been released to the public, but that information could be known as early as tomorrow, sources in the New Haven Federal District Court clerk's office said.

Lasaga shocked students and colleagues when he resigned from his position as master last Friday.

Lasaga could not be reached for comment by telephone or at his Cheshire residence last night.

His house was occupied by at least

one individual.

Lights were on, curtains were drawn, and the windows were papered over.

University officials refused to comment on when they first learned of the FBI investigation.

Interim Saybrook Master Harry Adams has said President Richard Levin telephoned him Thursday and asked him to fill the post.

Yale College Dean Richard Brodhead told an assembly of Saybrook students on Friday that Lasaga had stepped down "for personal reasons."

"We trust your maturity," he added. University officials continued to decline to confirm the investigation early this week, but the University released a statement late yesterday night confirming that Lasaga is under investigation by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

■ UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Athletes choose NBA over college

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.

For the past eight years, the lure of million-dollar contracts has persuaded more men's basketball players to drop out of college in favor of short-term professional careers. 'We can sit around and talk about graduation ratios, but that's not realistic. It's all about money," said Gophers coach Clem Haskins. "You can't pass up an opportunity to make \$50 (million) or \$60 million dollars. Why would a young man wait until he is 60 or 70 to make a million dollars when he can become a millionaire at 19 or 20?" In 1997, only 41 percent of men's basketball players across the country who received scholarships graduated within six years. That is 4 percent less than those who graduated in 1996, according to an NCAA survey released this month. The NCAA reports that the University of Minnesota fared worse than the national average last year. Only one player out of the four who entered the team in 1990-1991 graduated in six years.

■ West Virginia University

Research improves winter road safety

MORGANTOWN, W.V.

Winters wreak havoc on the state's road system, but this year, West Virginia University has found a way to fight back. Dr. Ronald Eck and others from the University's civil engineering department recently developed a new procedure for improving the efficiency of road salt, which is used to keep roads ice-free. According to Eck, the process involves using a brine from natural gas wells in the area. This fluid wets the salt and improves its efficiency. "The natural brine is really just ancient sea water," he said. "It's found in the pores of rocks. When natural gas companies drill, the salt water comes up with the gas. It's highly concentrated at this point, though, much more so than salt water found in the oceans." Using the brine to wet road salt saves companies a great deal of trouble. "To the oil and gas companies, the water's nothing more than a waste product," he said. "It's a natural liquid and is often a nuisance."

■ BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Stock holders to sue university

BOSTON, Mass.

About 20 former Seragen investors are suing Boston University, claiming that self-dealing transactions locked the biotechnology company under the university's control for years. Thomas Griffin, a lawyer for the former shareholders, said he will file a class-action suit this week on behalf of his clients, some of whom previously filed suit separately on similar grounds. "Through a variety of mechanisms, BU and we believe principally Mr. Silber — despite their agreement with the attorney general and what they were required to do under their consent agreement — tried to maintain and increase their control over Seragen," Griffin said. In 1992, Attorney General Scott Harshbarger warned BU not to invest any further in the start-up company, saying it was too risky. BU agreed, and to reduce its involvement it sold Seragen stock for \$12 a share in a public offering.

■ Texas A&M University

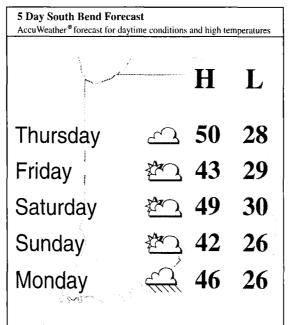
Dorm fire raises safety concerns

COLLEGE STATION, Texas

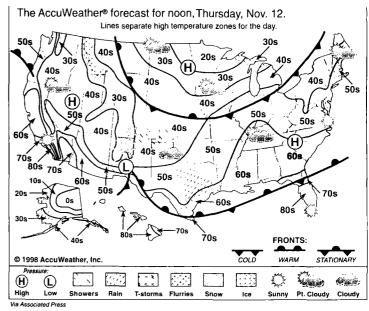
Following the Nov. 2 fire that destroyed a third-floor room in Dorm 9 and caused the closure of the dorm for the remainder of the semester, questions about the availability and maintenance of fire extinguishers have been raised by students. Andy Wheeler, member of A Battery and a senior biology major, said that during the fire he went to four different fire-extinguisher cases in the dorm before he found an extinguisher. James Rainer, safety coordinator for the Environmental Health and Safety Department, said fire extinguishers are typically kept in resident adviser and graduate hall director rooms in Residence Life dorms and in commanding officer rooms in Corps dorms. Ron Sasse, director of Residence Life, said the reason fire extinguishers are kept in RA rooms is to prevent students from using extinguishers when there is not a fire.

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Death penalty forum will feature speakers, video

By TOM ENRIGHT
News Writer____

Amnesty International and ND/SMC Right to Life will sponsor an open death penalty forum today that includes speakers, video interviews of death row inmates and a panel discussion.

The forum, which will take place in 102 DeBartolo from 5-9:30 p.m., will focus on ideas ranging from

reconciliation to human rights.

"The ... death penalty is not just a statistic used in order to get re-elected but affects real people, in particular the marginalized of society including racial minorities and the poorer classes who generally cannot afford the best representation," said Derek VanDaniker, a sophomore who has helped to organize the event.

Garth Meintjes, a law professor and associate director of the Notre Dame Law School's center for Civil and Human Rights, will open the forum. He will be followed by Beverly Miller, whose work through the group Love over Vengeance has made her an active opponent o the death penalty. VanDaniker met Miller at a vigil held for a death row execution in Michigan City.

The forum's planners also expect Miller to show interviews with death row inmates, allowing those in attendance to see the personal side to prisoners.

Bill Pelke and Jennifer Jones of Murder Families for Reconciliation will also discuss how they have confronted justice in light of their opposition to the death penalty.

"Both have had a family member murdered and instead of seeking revenge they are going around the country speaking about the need for reconciliation, something our country needs desperately," said VanDaniker.

The forum will include a panel discussion with Father Joe Ross, chaplain of the Michigan City prison, and two Notre Dame students who have corresponded with death row inmates in Florida and Indiana.

■ FACULTY AWARD

Collins wins science fellowship

Special to The Observer

Frank Collins, George and Winifred Clark Professor of Biological Sciences, has been elected a fellow of the American

Association for the Advancement of Science [AAAS].

AAAS fellows are elected on the merit of their "efforts



Collins

t o w a r d advancing science or fostering applications that are deemed scientifically or socially distinguished."

New fellows will be officially recognized during the 1999 AAAS

annual meeting in Anaheim, Calif., in January.

Collins joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1997 after a 13-year career at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, where he was chief of the Vector Genetics section of the Division of Parasitic Diseases. Collins' research focused on developing new strategies for controlling human diseases, especially those transmitted by mosquitoes.

His research has been published in a number of periodicals, including Science, Nature, Science and Medicine, and Genetics.

Recently, Collins and his research team developed a technique for introducing DNA into the genome of the mosquito Aedes Aegypti. Their goal is to genetically alter the capacity of wild populations of this mosquito-to transmit pathogens like yellow fever and dengue virus. According to Collins, dengue infects two billion people world-wide each year and yellow fever epidemics have re-emerged in Africa and South America.

Collins earned his bachelor's degree in biology from Johns Hopkins University. He holds a masters degree in English literature from the University of East Anglia in Norwich, England, and a doctorate in entomology form the University of California at Davis.

Founded in 1848, AAAS represents the world's largest federation of scientists and has more than 144,000 members.

Burrell gets position as director of University program in Jerusalem

Special to The Observer

Father David Burrell, Hesburgh Professor in the College of Arts and Letters at Notre Dame, has been appointed director of the University's undergraduate program in Jerusalem.

Father Burrell will assume responsibility for the program in January. Ten students have signed up for the spring semester program, which includes courses at the University's own Ecumenical Institute for Theological Studies in Tantur, as well as Bethlehem University, Hebrew University, and the Ratisbonne Center in Jerusalem. The students will live at Tantar, located just inside Jerusalem.

Father Burrell has taught philosophy and theology at Notre Dame since 1964 and was chairman

of the Univeristy's theology department from 1971-80. He served as rector of the Ecumenical Institute at Tantar from 1980-81 and spent the following year as visiting professor at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He has been a visiting scholar at Chicago Divinity School and the Perkins School of Theology and has taught at the National Major Seminary of Bangladesh and at Princeton Theological Seminary.

He has written many articles and reviews for scholarly journals and is the author or editor of several books, including "Analogy and Philosophical Language," Exercises in Religious Understanding," "Aquinas: God in Action," "Knowing the Unknowable God: Ibn-Sina, Maimonides, Aquinas," "Freedom and Creation in Three Traditions," and "Voices From Jerusalem."

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Researchers: kids should get flu shot

Associated Press

DENVER

Wondering why you're getting those aches, fevers, chills? Take a closer look at those little people you come in contact with.

Medical researchers recommend that schoolchildren across the nation get annual flu shots to help control the virus' rampant spread this winter.

In a new study to be presented today at the annual infectious diseases meeting in Denver, researchers said 45 percent of all schoolchildren get the flu, often passing it along to adult family members and daycare providers.

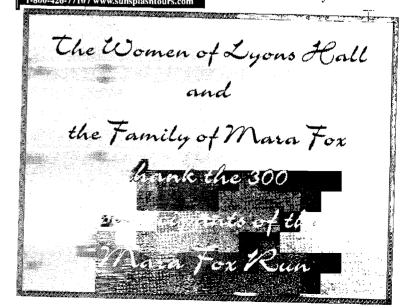
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Since many adults aren't vaccinated either, the flu spreads quickly through the general population. That means lots of sick days, lost work hours and less wages.

Vaccinating kids would reduce the flu's impact on adults' productivity while potentially boosting students' performance by reducing sick days, said researchers at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

"Parents who would miss work if their children got the flu should talk to their pediatricians about getting the vaccine right now," Dr. Mary Nettleman, lead author of the study, said Wednesday.

The recommendation, which has been repeated by an increasing number of scientists and physicians this fall, repudiates conventional wisdom in the medical community.



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Georgetown University, the University of San Diego and Seattle University.

Foy noted that there are different ways of granting this protection, and that some legal experts he spoke with said the best way to do this may not be through a straight addition to the existing nondiscrimination clause, but rather through a legally binding statement of acceptance balances University's Catholic nature with the need to protect homosexual rights.

"At the center of this debate is: how can our University próvide freedom and equality while holding Catholic teachings and the University's commitment to its Catholic faith,' he said.

Foy's committee formed after the Oct. 8 Council decision to delay voting on the proposed clause amendment. Foy said he would ask Frank Law, the Student Union academic delegate and a member of the Academic Council, if the Council would release a report detailing the different opinions it considered at the meeting.

Residence Life Committee presented a statement on student behavior at the most recent home football game, asking senators to urge safety at the next game on Nov. 21.

Residence Life Committee appeals to the student body to consider safety issues during half-time," reads the letter, which noted that several people were injured at last weekend's game. It urges senators to discuss these issues with students in their residence halls.

Wednesday's Senate meeting also took a step toward ending last week's controversy over the new "The Shirt" coordinator when the Financial Management Board unanimously approved the nomination of Garett Skiba.

Skiba was rejected last week because of concern that the nominating process had not been open to all applicants. The Financial Management Board reviewed both Skiba's application and that of Michael Seeley, a junior who addressed the senate on the matter last week, and selected

Skiba. The senate must wait one week before approving the nomination, but a preliminary vote indicated an easy win for Skiba.

Jason Linster, chair of the senate Oversight committee. spoke about what he called a rash of unprofessional behavior in recent meetings, including low attendance, lack of respect in debate and unethical activity in voting.

"You can't just walk out in the middle of a vote, that's very, very unethical," said Linster.

He referred to an incident last week when, during a close vote, several senators left the room in an apparent attempt to bring the number of senators in attendance below that which is required to be present for a vote to be taken.

He also discussed attendance at meetings, both the general meetings and the committee gatherings at which resolutions are debated and researched.

"Attendance at committee meetings is atrocious," said Linster. "It is our duty to dedicate ourselves to the students who elected us; an important part of this is attendance.

Linster proposed that the senate adopt a rule which would punish senators who have unexcused absences at more than three general meetings and three committee meetings. There is currently a clause in the student union constitution stating that attendance at all senate meetings is mandatory for student senators, but it is largely disregarded.

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described the numerous violations of human rights occurring in the area. Among the most detrimental to the community are ones pertaining to education and work.

"Education is lacking and this creates a brick wall for students," said Porter. "The schools do not prepare the students well enough and parents cannot afford to send their children far away.'

The job market is dominated by coal companies, according to Porter, and even though there are laws to protect the workers, it is still a dangerous occupation. Porter said that the lack of jobs prevents families from being able to break a

cycle of poverty and that the value of land is so low that no one can afford to leave.

Poverty is an issue that presented itself to Saint Mary's senior Erin Emig, who spent time in El Salvador last year.

"I was there to learn and talk to the people of their experiences during civil war there," said Emig.

Interacting with people who have to retrieve fresh water from a creek at two in the morning and seeing sweatshops in action showed Emig just how grateful she needed to be for her opportunities.

"We are connected globally," said Emig. "Every action is important, including researching where our clothes come

Members of the panel concluded that once people acknowledge the acts defying human rights, all of us are responsible for doing something to help change the situa-

"We need to move away from being greed-driven to become responsible consumers," said Hodek. "And we need to recognize our power collectively.

Economic reform is necessary, according to Porter, while Emig stressed the need for letting go of individualistic ideals.

Members of last night's panel believe in the truth of a statement by Dalai Lama: "To me it is quite clear that however important I may feel I am, I am just one individual while others are infinite in number and importance."

The panel was sponsored by the Human Rights COLT and the Student Academic Council.



"We are all connected globally. Every action is important, including researching ere our clothes come from," said Erin Emig, who spent part of last year in El Salvador, at yesterday's human rights panel.

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ers and businesses, said Simmerman. This will allow students to have some idea of the type of information they can receive, as well as the type of questions employers are prepared to answer.

Simmerman also emphasized that even though students may be looking for jobs outside the Chicago area, the showcase is "still good experience to ask questions, especially because [students] may be under less pressure" and are able to be more open.

SCORE, an organization of retired business executives, will be at the showcase to eduNobody Does Spring Breaks Better! cate students about entrepreneurship and the skills essential to making it in the business world today.

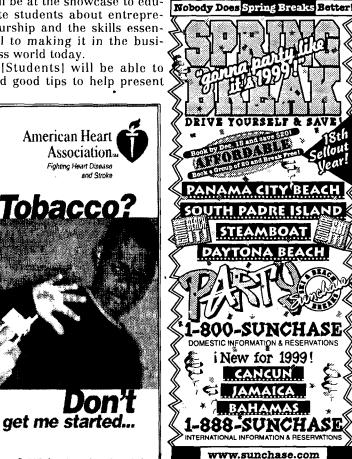
"[Students] will be able to find good tips to help present

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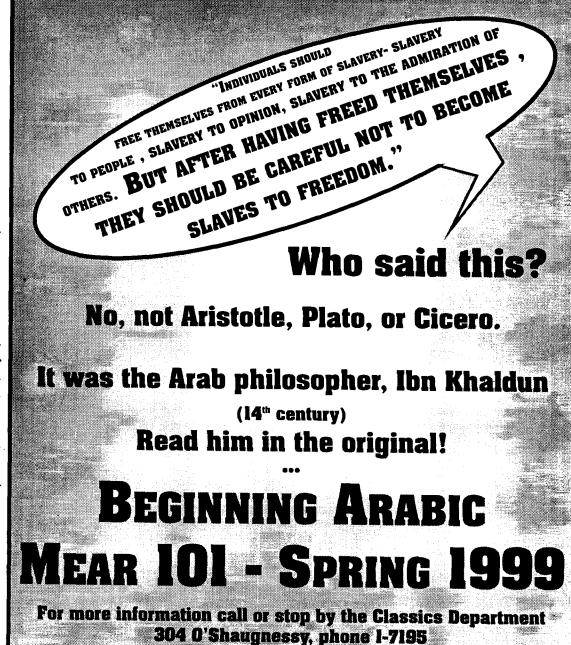
themselves to potential employers," Simmerman said.

Because so many businesses will be available, the Showcase of Careers also offers the opportunity to make connections for summer employment, internships and full-time employment, according to Simmerman. Seniors can make employment connections, Juniors get internship connections and Sophomores and First-Years obtain information and career direction.

The showcase will be held from 3-5 p.m. today in the Reignbeaux Lounge of LeMans Hall. It is sponsored by the Board of Governance and the Counseling and Development Center. Career



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Dairy employee falls to his death

ZUMBROTA, Minn.

A cheese factory faces criminal charges in the 1995 death of an employee who fell into a grinder while cutting blocks of cheese and feeding it into the machine. Mid-America Dairymen Inc., which has since become Dairy Farmers of America Inc., was charged with murder, manslaughter and willful violation of employer duty in the accident that killed Jeffrey Steffenhagen, 33. The company was accused of knowingly creating and maintaining dangerous working conditions. It could be fined \$50,000. Prosecutors said that Steffenhagen fell from a greasy pallet and that the grinder did not have a proper shield to protect workers. Doug Thomson, an attorney for the plant, had no comment on the allega-

Pseudo-vampire arrested in murders

SAN FRANCISCO

After hearing complaints that they weren't responding aggressively enough to a series of attacks on homeless people, police arrested a man who reportedly considers himself a vampire with a bloody knife in his pocket. The latest slashing victim was found staggering near Chinatown on Tuesday, shortly before Joshua Rudiger, 21, was arrested. Police believe Rudiger cut the throats of four homeless people, killing one, over the last three weeks. A police source told KCBS Radio that Rudiger thinks he is a vampire. According to court records, Rudiger is a schizophrenic who twice was hospitalized for mental problems and has a history of unprovoked attacks on people. He reportedly told investigators that he is a vampire who survived by sucking his victims' blood, was 2,000 years old, had lived all over the world and has special psychic powers.

Ventura may appear in Sundance film festival

MINNEAPOLIS

Gov.-elect Jesse "The Body" Ventura shot a short film last spring that may pop up at the Sundance Film Festival soon after he takes office. The former professional wrestler plays a shady marriage counselor named Buddy (One-Arm) Sanchez in the low-budget "20/20 Vision." In one scene, Buddy slaps a woman who has come to him for counseling. The filmmaker, Christopher Newberry, said "The Body" had one concern when he was hired. "He said, "This isn't going to be shown anywhere in the next few months, is it?" Newberry said. Newberry submitted the film to Sundance and should find out in early December whether it made the cut for the festival, which begins in mid-January. Ventura takes office January 4.

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■ United Nations

Baghdad refuses U.N. demands

ASSOCIATED PRESS

The U.N. Security Council unanimously demanded Thursday that Iraq resume cooperation with U.N. weapons inspectors immediately. Baghdad has already announced it won't

The 15-member council made no explicit threats to use force, showing it remains divided on what to do if Baghdad refuses to obey.

The United States and Britain say they already have authorization to take military action against Iraq from previous council resolutions.

In Washington, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said the resolution's wording "further confirms our view that this and previous resolutions do authorize the use of military force if necessary."

But that view is rejected by other council members.

Russian Ambassador Sergey Lavrov warned that any attempt to use force would have "highly unpredictable and dangerous consequences" for Mideast peace and future U.N. efforts to monitor Baghdad's weapons programs.

"The way to overcome this new crisis lies, we think, exclusively in political and diplomatic efforts," he said.

The resolution didn't include a timetable for lifting crippling economic sanctions, which Iraq has demanded as the price for reversing its decision to cut off all dealings with the inspectors.

The resolution puts into international law the coun-



Iraqi women show their support for their leader by demonstrating in favor of his actions. Baghdad refuses to allow U.N. inspectors to resume spot weapons inspections.

cil's statement Saturday that condemned Iraq's decision to halt cooperation with inspectors as a "flagrant violation" of U.N.

Acting U.S. Ambassador Peter Burleigh noted that President Clinton has "emphasized that all options are on the table and the United States has the authority to act."

"Iraq should recognize the gravity of the situation it has created," Burleigh said.

British Ambassador Jeremy Greenstock said the council's authority to use force "may be revived if it decides that there has been a sufficiently serious breach of the conditions laid down by the council for the ceasefire" that ended the Persian Gulf War in 1991.

In the resolution, council members reaffirmed their readiness to hold "a comprehensive review" of Iraq's compliance, which could lead to the lifting of an oil embargo and other trade restrictions if U.N. inspectors declare Iraq has disarmed. But this offer is contingent on Iraq resuming cooperation.

French Ambassador Alain Dejammet, whose country has been sympathetic to lifting sanctions, said the unanimous vote demonstrated the council's "unity in the face of an Iraqi decision which was immediately described as irrational and unacceptable.

The council had agreed to conduct the review in September, in an attempt to get Baghdad to allow U.N. weapons inspectors to resume spot inspections, which it banned on August

But Iraq reacted angrily when the council sent a letter to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan last Friday with the broad outlines of a review that didn't explicitly mention the possibility of easing or lifting sanctions.

Blaming the Americans for cutting all references to ending sanctions, Baghdad on Saturday banned inspectors from monitoring previously searched facilities. leaving them with little to

■ JERUSALEM

Israel ratifies peace agreement

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Israel's government narrowly ratified the land-for-peace agreement with the Palestinians yesterday, setting the stage for withdrawal from West Bank territory and an expansion of Palestinian autonomy.

Prodded by the United States, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu pushed the deal through the Cabinet with far less support than he anticipated. To secure the votes of hard-liners opposed to any deal offering land-for-peace, he also attached conditions that may provoke a new crisis.

Eight of 17 ministers voted in favor, five ministers abstained and four voted against the deal struck between Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat at the Wye summit in Maryland. The plan calls for Israel to withdraw its troops from 13 percent of the West Ban in exchange for security guarantees.

Approval of the deal came after

weeks of delay, caused in part by a suicide-bombing by Islamic militants at a Jerusalem market that injured 21 Israelis.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright called the vote an important step in the peace process.

The Palestinians welcomed ratification with caution, but dismissed the conditions as "violations."

Jewish settlers, some of whom will find themselves in isolated West Bank areas after the withdrawal, lashed out at the government for giving up land that settlers consider to be their biblical birth right.

"For Sale: State of Israel, a giveaway," read a large banner at a protest rally where over 10,000 settlers and their supporters gathered in Tel Aviv as the Cabinet met.

Saying that land was "precious and important," Netanyahu attached conditions to be met before he relinquished control, saying Israel reserved the right to annex large areas of the West Bank if Arafat made good on a threat to unilaterally declare Palestinian statehood in May.

Netanyahu's second condition entailed bringing each stage of the phased pullback to the Cabinet for separate approval over the next three months, a move that would likely stall any handover. Ministers will be asked to determine whether the Palestinians have met their security obligations under the accord.

He also demanded that the Palestine National Council hold a formal vote by mid-December to revoke clauses in the Palestine Liberation Organization founding charter that call for Israel's destruction.

In a fourth stipulation, Netanyahu said that in an additional pullback to which Israel committed itself last year. the Palestinians would receive no more than one percent of the West Bank. "The conditions are part of game between Mr. Netanyahu and his rightwing ministers," he said.

The Observer looks at how well

this year's campus government leaders have lived up to their campaign promises and how

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> Andréa Selak STUDENT BODY VICE PRESIDENT

Making the grade

- The expansion of SafeRide to Thursday nights, and their work for better facultystudent relations and dining hall reform demonstrate Cesaro and Šelak's committment to fulfilling campaign promises.
- Their efficient methods of handling the debt left behind by previous student government administrations have shown considerable creativity and determination.
- Their apparent reluctance to take a leadership position on issues of campus debate leaves questions about their longterm vision for the University.

Siefert



6 TRIDE DAY WAS ONE OF THE GOALS WE ACCOM-PLISHED. IT'S A GREAT WAY TO CELEBRATE SAINT MARY'S.'

NANCY MIDDEN STUDENT BODY VICE PRESIDENT

Making the

grade

SAINT MARY'S

- · Their successful attempts in aiding efforts to increase enrollment and in keeping students updated on campus technology improvements reinforce their campaign message.
- Through the Student Academic Council, the government acheived two of its two major goals: establishing Saint Mary's Pride Day and creating a Major-of-the-Week program.
- The administration's efforts to boost attendance at Saint Mary's sporting events have had little impact.

Pres/VP take pride in accomplishments

By TIM LOGAN

Assistant News Editor

Running on a platform of "putting students first," student body president Peter Cesaro and vice president Andréa Selak have focused on improving student services and following through on their campaign promises in a workmanlike manner during the first half of their term

Since taking office in April, the pair have a range of accomplishments to their name, including the expansion of SafeRide to Thursday nights, increasing meal plan options for off-campus students and reducing student government expenses in the face of a \$66,000 budget deficit.

"I'm proud of everything we've done," said Selak. "We've been able to fulfill our campaign promises. We all work towards a common goal [in student government] - making this university a better place for its students."

However, this focus on the nuts and bolts issues of student services has, at times, taken the pair away from debates on major campus issues such as the addition of sexual orientation to the non-discrimination clause and the commencement speaker selection process.

Compared to past administrations, Cesaro and Selak have been relatively quiet on divisive issues such as these. which have been debated at length by CLC and Student Senate. The pair did send a letter which was read at an October rally in support of amending the non-discrimination clause, but they have not been particularly active in voicing a student government position on these issues to the administration.

Still, the duo has helped students deal with the administration in other ways. Through their campaign to revive hall judicial councils and the student government Judicial Board, Cesaro and Selak are working to provide students under disciplinary review with information about their rights, and strengthen the role of hall governments in deciding disciplinary cases.

"Hall Judicial Boards can serve a useful purpose in terms of keeping things within the halls that can be handled in the halls," said Cesaro, noting that cases which are sent to the office of Residence Life often incur greater punishments for students involved.

The Office of the President has also appointed a parking representative to aid students in the process of appealing their parking tickets.

The two have tried to increase student involvement on administration committees, according to Selak. She points to their attempts to place students on committees considering the renovations of Hesburgh Library and reallocation of campus social space.

It has not all been smooth sailing thus far on the second floor of LaFortune, however, as there have been several challenges which the Cesaro/Selak administration has encountered.

One major problem which the administration has dealt with this semester was last year's Student Union budget deficit of \$66,000. Of those losses, \$11,740 were incurred by the previous Office of the President.

When the deficit was discovered and announced in September, Cesaro pledged to cut \$8,000 from his budget in an effort to help solve the problem. Spending has been reduced through more attention to detail, cutting back on unnecessary spending on items like food — and increased cooperation between student government organizations on event sponsorship, according to Cesaro.

We were strapped from the beginning. We've had to utilize more creative ideas," he said. "We've still utilized our resources to fulfill our campaign

Another campaign promise of the Cesaro/Selak ticket was to work and get student representative on the Board of Trustees. Little progress has been made on this front so far, but, according to Cesaro, he has begun talking with the chair of the Board's Student Affairs Committee about the possibility of such an addition.

The Cesaro/Selak administration's plans for the future include race and diversity awareness forums, following up Academic Pride Week with continued work on student-faculty relations and the completion of an on-line bookselling service which would serve as an alternative to the Hammes Notre Dame

One initiative they are currently working on is dorm non-discrimination clauses, which individuals can sign, pledging not to discriminate against fellow students on the basis of race, gender, religion, sexual orientation or disability.

The clauses would be signed on a dorm-by-dorm basis, according to Selak, and would serve as a statement of non-discrimination among partici-

Siefert/Midden work on variety of issues

By M. SHANNON RYAN

Saint Mary's Editor

While running for student body president and vice president last season, Sarah Siefert and Nancy Midden said their campaign promises were not empty.

For the most part, they have made good on their vows of assisting in efforts to boost enrollment, creating technological awareness, strengthening alumnae ties and increasing support for athletics.

The semester has also been marked with an abundance of Saint Mary's spirit and the move to propose the building of a student center.

Increasing Admissions

The Board of Governance [BOG] has worked diligently in efforts to increase enrollment, an idea thought too lofty by some during their campaign last year.

'This has come together fabulously,' Siefert said. "So far, it's been very success-

In order to assist in increasing student enrollment, the position of admissions commissioner was created. Currently, Emily Koelsch is the liaison between the Volunteers in Support of Admissions IVISAL BOG and the admissions office.

"Our involvement has been to bring all three together to create the best program,'

After two successful Fall Days on Campus, one of which hosted more than 1,000 students and parents, their efforts seem to be paying off.

BOG members were responsible for recruiting and serving as tour guides. "We actually had more volunteers show

up than what we needed," Siefert said. In addition, student government has provided the admissions office with names of club contacts for prospective students.

Technology

After the campus was technologically revamped, Siefert and Midden stressed the need for awareness of these improve-

The plans included a newsletter to update students about access sites, incorporating technology into the classroom and creating a Student Government Association [SGA] web site.

They have also been careful to keep close ties with Joel Cooper, director of information technology, in order to stay up to date on further advancements, such as expansion of computer access in the library basement.

It's moving right along," Siefert said. "Joel Cooper [and information technology] is taking in charge of it, so now it's kind of out of our realm."

Other plans are slowly becoming reali-

The SGA web site has been taking shape throughout the semester. Among other features, the site includes minutes from the most recent meeting and e-mail addresses and links to deans and clubs.

The major problem is a lack of publicity for the site, which is still in the making and projected to be fully upgraded by the beginning of next semester.

'We didn't really want to publicize it until it was all completed," Siefert said. "It takes a long time ... and there's always improvements to be made.'

Alumnae Connections

Aiming to strengthen ties between students, especially seniors, and recent alumnae, Siefert and Midden outlined plans to organize dinners, meetings and a job-shadowing program. However, these goals were already being served by other campus events and organizations.

"We weren't aware of it at the time, but many of these goals were already being fulfilled," Siefert said, citing a function called Grace Under Pressure, where alumnae share tips on business tactics and etiquette.

Siefert noted that next semester more activities with the Sisters of the Holy Cross, "our strongest alumnae group," will be

But at this point, little effort has been put into fulfilling this goal.

Athletic Recognition

Plans of establishing a student-athlete club were abandoned in order to create a more inclusive spirit club which has yet to be developed, Siefert said.

Posters advertising home events, especially highlighting final home games, have been the main venue of attempting to increase the Belles' fan base.

Barbecues at two events were other efforts noted as methods to increase the audience numbers.

These efforts, however, have not dramatically increased the number of fans at games.

Student Activities Council

In addition, SAC has been successful in its campaign promises of a successful Saint Mary's Pride Day and establishing a Majorof-the-Week program.

Pride Day was one of the major events on campus this semester and served as the first of what Siefert and Midden hope is a long-standing tradition.

"Pride Day was one of the goals we accomplished," Midden said. "It was a great way to celebrate Saint Mary's."

Meeting the Issues

STUDENT SENATE

Body has up and down term

By TIM LOGAN Assistant News Editor

The Student Senate has grappled with a range of issues this term, and while the body has at times weathered criticism for its handling of these matters, several senators say their group has done a reasonably good job since taking office in April.

"We've been well-focused and wellorganized in confronting major issues," said Carroll senator Pat Foy. "We've done a lot of good things, but we can do better.'

By dealing with the addition of sexual orientation to the University's nondiscrimination clause, and the commencement speaker selection process and welcoming former senator Bill Bradley to campus, the senate has delved into divisive campus issues.

But taking on tough issues has a flip side. Senators have received the most criticism for lack of research on these issues and for seeming to disregard the opinions of non-senators.

The senate addressed the non-discrimination clause earlier this term, voting to endorse the addition of sexual orientation to the University's clause. At the time of the meeting days before the University's Academic Council considered the issue — some members called for more research, but they were outvoted.

One week later, after the Academic Council postponed its decision in order

Ttudent Senate and CLC Dare the main forums for student leaders to debate campus issues. The senate (right) contains a representative from each residence hall and is responsible for voicing student government opinion on campus issues and for oversight of the Student Union. The body is in its second term since its creation under the new Student Union Constitution.

Making the grade

· The senate has handled some important topics this term, but it hasn't always handled them well. A good job on nuts and bolts issues and student government reform helps to bring this grade up, though.

to look more closely at the matter, the Senate formed a committee to study the amendment. Some say this research should have been done before any resolution was passed.

"Before you can make a decision, you should have all the facts," said Fisher senator Phil Dittmar. "If we're going to put our name on something, we should know what we're backing.

Others, however, point to the timeliness of the issue, saying it was important for the Senate to make a statement when they did.

"I think people felt like we needed to get a statement out in time for the Academic Council," said Keenan senator Matt Mamak. "I would've liked us to put more research in ... but I don't know how much good it would've

The Senate drew criticism on procedural courtesy issues as well. ND/SMC Right to Life president Catriona Wilkie

tried to address the senate during a debate of its letter welcoming former Sen. Bradley to Notre Dame. Wilkie came to the meeting, but because of speaking procedures, she was not fully allowed to speak.

"I'm very appalled by that," said Dittmar. "I don't understand why we don't treat people with respect at all. That's not what's supposed to hap-

Knott senator Drew Olejnik, who held the floor when Wilkie addressed the Senate, looked at it differently.

"If people want to talk to the senate, we want them to feel welcome," he said, saying the most effective way to get an audience with the senate is to go through student body vice president Andréa Selak. "But this is a political body and there are procedures that have to be followed."

This year's senate has worked extensively on Food Services issues, and has developed a dialogue with managers on issues ranging from backpacks in South Dining Hall to menus in North.

It has also held meetings with representatives from the department of Facilities Operations to discuss campus improvements and construction, and worked at length to refine the Student Union constitution.

Compared to last year's body, this year's group is more ambitious, says Mamak, the one holdover from the



CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Group resolves little to date

By FINN PRESSLY News Writer

As a forum of debate, the Campus Life Council [CLC] has been enormously successful, but so far this year the discussions have led to few concrete resolutions and proposals.

The CLC provides a good forum [for students] to voice their opinions about issues on campus directly to rectors and administrators," said Pete Cesaro, student body president.

Drafting truly well-rounded proposals and resolutions requires input from all points of views, according to Cesaro. For that reason, he said, the Council mixes student members with some involved in other facets of the University.

"To enhance the student resolutions, you also need rectors, faculty members, and administrators to support the ideas that the students have come up with," Cesaro said.

But despite that potentially winning formula, the council has yet to produce a resounding success. It has been criticized for addressing only minor campus issues and ignoring more important ones.

The CLC's lack of productivity

Making the grade

• Despite months of debate, the CLC has only passed two resolutions. A new direction gives reason for hope in what has been an otherwise uneventful semester.

stems from the relatively small amount of attention given to the Council, according to Ava Preacher, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

"The structure is really a problem because we, as a body, include rectors, administrators, faculty and students. It seems to me that there " should be more weight in that kind of voice, and there's not," Preacher explained. "Given what they've got to work with, they're doing well.

She did agree that the council's pet issues this semester have in no way been the major ones that affect campus life.

"The big issues are the kind of

things that we don't seem to tackle. The CLC has not taken up the issue of the WRC [Women's Resource Center] probation, which seems to go straight to the heart of the issues of campus life," said Preacher.

Brian O'Donoghue, chairman of the Undergraduate Finances committee, attributes the lack of resolutions to the relatively short amount of time the committees have had to work.

"A lot of work in the CLC is done in committees, [but] we've only had two months to really work on things," he said. "It's still early. From the committee meetings I've been going to, come January, there's going to be a slew of recommendations and things among those lines."

O'Donoghue's committee was responsible for introducing the bold topic of tuition freezes into foray of discussion. Hopefully, this represents a more ambitious and promising trend in the kind of issues the CLC chooses to address

"It was a discussion that we definitely needed to have," said Preacher of O'Donoghue's proposal. "The students need to be speaking out about it. It's a really sensitive topic, which is good. We need sensitive topics.'

JUDICIAL BOARDS

Boards see success

By FINN PRESSLY

News Writer

The Judicial Council began its year with an ambitious set of goals, and just three months later, it appears it is on track to achieve them.

I think we've got a pretty good start so far," said Kellie Folks, Judicial Council President. "It's hard to come by a rector that's not going to help out. They're all very interested in the well being of their students.'

Under the leadership of Folks, the Judicial Council members have focused much of their attention on enhancing the judicial boards within the residence halls. As a result, many dorms on campus are in the process of building their own judicial boards.

'The people from the hall judicial councils are meeting with the rectors and hall presidents and senators, as well, and from what I've heard, everyone's been real cooperative," she said.

Another project conducted under the auspices of the Judicial Council is the movement to have a constitution written for each residence hall.

"We have a bunch of dorms that already have constitutions, and others that are nearing completion," said Folks, naming Keough, Howard, and Knott Halls among those that have drafted such doc-

The Advocacy Board has also made strides in helping students navigate the campus legal system.

"Advocacy is doing real well. We've had a bunch of cases where advocates have all had positive experiences," she said.

Next semester, Folks said she wants to address the bylaws of hall government, something that can only be approached after her current work is completed.

"We're saving the creation or improving of bylaws for the hall governments until next semester because it's easier to get a basic framework done and work from there," Folks explained.

But despite the Council's successes, Folks is quick to acknowledge the long road that lies ahead.

"It's a lot of work, and it won't necessarily have immediate effects.

RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

RHA results mixed

By COLLEEN McCARTHY Saint Mary's News Editor

Mixed success and the realization that some campaign promises are hard to keep best describe the experiences of the 1998-99 term of the Residence Hall Association's executive board.

The RHA executive board campaigned with a platform of establishing a Big Sister program that would have paired upperclasswomen with freshmen, creating a newsletter, setting up a RHA Web page as well as increasing involvement in the organization.

But the board realized that some of its campaign platforms were unrealistic or already existed in some form

"Wo decided against having the Big Sister program because the freshman class this year was so large and we didn't feel we would find the interest among the upperclasswomen that would be necessary," said Kat Rademacher, RHA secretary. "To have something of that magnitude come off well, it required more time that we had."

The board discovered that the program would overlap with the goals of freshman orientation counselors who are supposed to continue to maintain contact with members of their group after orientation is over.

"We didn't want to step on the toes of the orientation counselors after we talked to them and realized this program fell in with their goals, Rademacher.

The proposed newsletter, which would have been produced by RHA, was a rejected after seeing that Residence Life and individual residence halls produce monthly newsletters.

The Web page is almost complete and will be used to list RHA sponsored events, which is what the newsletter would have done, said Rademacher.

"Right now, it is just the bare bones of the Web page that is there," she said. "Once it is finished, we want to list who makes up the RHA executive board

and committees and list our goals." Increasing involvement in RHA and making residents more aware of what RHA does is another goal of the officers that has been met, said Gina Guerreso,

The board has also attempted to compensate for campaign promises that didn't materialize.

Currently, RHA is surveying students residing in residence halls in order to formulate a proposal to change quiet hours.

"Once the survey is complete, RHA will discuss the results and formulate a proposal," said Guerreso. 'We would like to make quiet hours start later at night and end later in the morning. This is in an effort to perhaps keep more students living on-campus rather than moving off-campus."

Gingrich eyes presidency

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

On his way out of Congress, Newt Gingrich is promising to explore "many avenues for a public life," a phrase that has triggered speculation that he might be heading for the road to the White House.

Gingrich isn't saying whether he will run for president in 2000. His closest advisers say he won't decide for weeks or months. But as he ponders his future, picking up the pieces from disappointing midterm elections, Republicans are debating whether Gingrich could be a serious contender.

Supporters argue that Gingrich is still a top party fund-raiser and a leader with "big ideas" who energizes audiences like no other Republican, including poll-topping Gov. George W. Bush of Texas.

"I'm a big fan of George W. Bush, but it's a long way to go between now and ... 2000," said longtime Gingrich adviser Rich Galen.

Gingrich "has such incredible energy and intellect that he would have the ability to drive the race by his very presence," said Tom Rath, a New Hampshire party leader who is helping former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander position for the 2000 race.

But others say Gingrich is too scarred by the wars of Washington to make a serious

"It would defeat everything he's achieved with his graceful exit from the House," said Republican media consultant Alex Castellanos of Alexandria, Va. He said Gingrich has been the GOP "point man" for too

The good news is the point man gets to blaze the trail. The bad news is you get shot full of bullet holes doing it," Castellanos said.

Exit polls on Nov. 3 showed that nearly six of every 10 votnationwide viewed Gingrich unfavorably. Even in his home state of Georgia, he could muster only a 47 percent favorable rating.

'His negatives are just too high," said Tom Slade, chairman of the Florida GOP, though he called Gingrich the party's most articulate

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spokesman and fund raiser.

Gingrich's chances also might be hurt by perceptions among conservatives that he capitulated too often in negoti-

"I think Newt did a lot of good things early on but as a leader he got away from our message and that resulted in what happened in the elections," said Tim Lambert of Texas, a leading conservative voice among Republican National Committee members.

As for the midterm elections, Steve Grubbs, chairman of the Iowa Republican Party, said, "I think the loss of five House seats was a very serious setback for a Gingrich presidential run ... There is a lot of disappointment among the rank

Yet critics and supporters alike say Gingrich's chances might be helped by his decision to leave the House.

He could soon begin retooling his political image, free of the bickering that helped cement his reputation as a Washington firebrand.

'The run is easier, if he decides to make it, by not being burdened with the responsibility of speaker," said Slade, the Florida GOP chairman. "But the fact that he had to resign as speaker in order to prevent a very divisive situation in the House kind of speaks for itself. ... He's a polarizing figure.'

Said Gingrich ally Galen: "He's got more time to think about what he wants to say and how he wants to say it because he's not spending 18 hours a day in meetings ... in the Capitol.

Advisers say that while being House speaker was his lifelong goal, Gingrich may be looking for a new place in history.

In a Monday night speech to GOPAC, a political action committee he helped form, Gingrich sprinkled his remarks with comments that raised questions about his presidential ambitions.

"There are many avenues for a public life beyond the speakership," he said. "As I leave public office and rejoin the ranks of active citizenship the venue changes and the cause lives on."

Will a new venue be the campaign trail? Not now, anyway.

Advisers expect Gingrich to spend the next several weeks thinking about the future while earning \$50,000 or more making speeches. He still believes he can wait until next summer to get in the race.

Or, said Galen, noting that Gingrich's interests include studying dinosaur bones, the speaker may simply say, "I want to go dig rocks.'

Tree heads toward Rockefeller Center

Associated Press

CLEVELAND A big Christmas present was headed to New York today, but not on a sleigh in a cargo plane.

This year's edition of the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree, a 73-foot high, 7-ton Norway spruce donated by a couple from suburban Cleveland, was loaded this morning into an Antonov 124 jet, the only plane with a large enough hold. It was to be flown to New York later today and hoisted into place on Thursday.

The tree, which was the biggest thing on the landscape before it was cut down Tuesday, was now dwarfed by the 226-foot-long plane at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport.

On Tuesday, a team of workers decked out in bright red sweatshirts sawed down the tree, then gently lowered it onto an oversized, flatbed truck as the Ethel and Adolph Szitar and their neighbors watched in awe.

'My grandson's eyes got as big as saucers. It'll be nice for him to remember," said neighbor Allen Stubbs.

Mrs. Szitar's eyes were pretty wide, too, as she followed the spectacle of the tree moving horizontally through the air toward the truck.

"It's thrilling — it's thrilling," said Mrs. Szitar, 81. "It's really nice."

With a procession of police cars leading the way, the tree was taken to Cleveland Hopkins International Airport where it was stored overnight. It will be hoisted into place in Manhattan on Thursday.

The spruce was the Szitars' family Christmas tree in 1938 and then was planted outside their ranch home in Richfield, about 20 miles south of Cleveland.

The Szitars and their neighbors in this suburban community of wide, wooded lots always felt the tree was

But no one ever thought of putting it to use for another Christmas, and lately Mrs. Szitar got nervous when she saw it towering over her onestory house.

She remembered looking at the tree this spring and thinking "it's getting awfully big. If we get a storm, there goes our house.

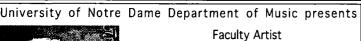
Then David Murbach, manager of the Rockefeller Center gardens division, spotted the spruce in April as he flew over in a helicopter, looking for the perfect tree. An ice storm last winter had forced him to search outside New York state.

He spoke to the Szitars that day.

"They were pretty sur-prised," Murbach said. "It isn't exactly like having the Avon lady knock on your door.'

Rockefeller Center will get the tree for free, but Mrs. Szitar, her two children and three grandchildren are being given a free trip to New York next month for the treelighting ceremony. Adolph Szitar has Parkinson's disease and is not planning to make the trip.

A new tree will be planted for the Szitars. "It's for the next generation," Mrs. Szitar





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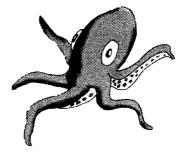


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■ So. What's My Point?

Gingrich, Experts Misread Public Mood

Ding, dong, the Wicked Speaker, the Wicked Speaker, the Wicked Speaker, ding dong, the Wicked Speaker is dethroned!

Nakasha **Ahmad**

Yes, I am a liberal. But no, I am not a registered Democrat. And I have no connections whatsoever with Charlie Trie or John Huang. Honest.

On Friday, the unimaginable happened. Newt (it's fitting that his name is like that of the lizard) Gingrich, divisive Republican extraordinaire, decided to (gasp!) step down from the Speakership of the House of Representatives and to remove himself from the House permanently. The reason for this dramatic move was the loss Republicans suffered in Tuesday's elections, in a national campaign that was largely managed by Gingrich himself.

It is hard to believe that a man with pretensions of being the next (or maybe after that) President of the United States of America would voluntarily give up one of the most important positions in the U.S. government.

On the other hand, he'd look pretty ineffective, and weak, and powerless and hey, pathetic if he ran for the Speakership and lost.

Pulling out of a contest leaves the potential of saving face. Losing a contest?

There's not a lot of face-saving there. What can you say? "Yeah, it's true that I brought most of these Republicans to power, but it really doesn't mean anything that their gratefulness has worn off. I'm still the most powerful GOPer in the nation. Really. Honest. I am not a crook.'

Oh, wait sorry. Wrong Republican leader.

The week before the elections, our class got to go backstage and watch the pre-election taping of the McLaughlin Group, where five oracles from the media business pretend they're Cassandra for a day. (Cassandra's misfortune was that she was always right but that nobody would ever listen. Our misfortune is that the pundits are always wrong but we're forced to listen to them every time we flip on the aptly named "boob

tube.") Let's see. The most conservative (conservative as in low expectations, not conservative as in the Robertson right) predictions were that the Republicans would gain three seats in the

Senate, and

six in the House. (Here I present another moment of silence-or noise-for liberals and Democrats to gloat. I'm assuming that my introduction scared away any Republican readers that I might have

Back to my point, these predicted gains were the most conservative estimates. The most extreme (extreme as in high expectations AND extreme as in the Buchanan brigade) estimates predicted there would be a gain of seven seats in the Senate, bringing Senate Republicans to a filibuster-proof 62, and a gain of 13 seats in the House. Thank God Pat

Buchanan (the extreme) was never given Cassandra-like powers.

Now, of course, we know that Republicans didn't pick up any seats in the Senate, and actually LOST five seats in the House. (I'm now presenting another opportunity for Democrats to gloat. Now I know there aren't Republicans still reading this piece).

In the past week, there have been a flurry of newspaper articles analyzing the defeat. Not the defeat of the Republicans. No, the analysis is on the

defeat of the pundits. How could they be

wrong? Why didn't the American voters,

that incorrigible mass public, behave the

way the pundits said they would behave?

wrong. Now how are they going to regain

Since pundits are paid millions of dol-

lars for their (wrong) opinions, predic-

any credibility as expert political pontifi-

Shame on you, America. You voted

Democrat. You proved the pundits

purely in a political paradigm. How would such-and-such a remark influence them, how would a politician, (or someone familiar with the beltway culture) perceive Clinton and the Democrats, etc. And in spite of the fact that polls showed that Clinton was still getting incredibly high approval ratings, John McLaughlin claimed that focus groups showed that there was a lot of "negative energy" out in the public, and the Republicans were right in directing it toward Clinton, and that's why the GOP would win the elec-

tions

Let's see. The vast majority of voters approve of Clinton. But there's a lot of "negative energy" out there as well.

Who do you think is going to be the object of that negative energy? It doesn't take a brain scientist to tell you that if voters approve of the leader of one party, then the negative energy will be focused on the opposing party.

So, if the pundits had really thought about it — and they are paid to think about it — then they would

have seen this fiasco (for the Republicans) coming. And maybe Gingrich would have changed tactics.

And maybe the Republicans would have won after all. And maybe Gingrich would then still be

Speaker of the House. Kind of scares you, doesn't it?

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tions and analysis, I figured that I would offer my own analysis — free of charge - to you, the reader. The reason the pundits were wrong is that they thought

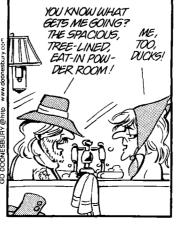


■ Doonesbury









GARRY TRUDEAU QUOTE OF THE DAY

6 Cometimes I think you Thave to march right in and demand your rights, even if you don't know what your rights are, or who the person is you're talking to. Then, on the way out, slam the door.'

— Jack Handey

OBSERVER -

1 MARLO (MORE FROM A THREE MINUTE RECORD, BABY

Forging New Power and Freedom for Women

"I'm invincible. So are you. We do all the things they say we can't do. We walk around in the middle of the night and when it's too far to walk we just hitch a ride. We got rings of dirt around our necks and we talk like auctioneers and we bounce like checks ...

- Ani DiFranco

Margaret

Nussbaum

I must be a suicidal fool. In the past

week I have accepted two rides from rides from strange men. The Mary first man was thirty-something, hailing from Cape Town with a sing-song baritone. The second man was old and white-haired, he

drove a Mercedes and gave me a mint and wanted to tell me about the wife he once had; the elephants he has watched; the way things are.

It is true that Namibians are known for giving one another lifts and that, in general, hitchhiking is far safer here than in the States. That doesn't mean it is safe.



world. We are

giggling girls. We

show when we're

both carry a smile to

wise, wise women. We are

pleased. We both carry a switchblade in our sleeves ... I have two sisters who shine like stars and a mother who is brilliant and a whole slew of gorgeous girlfriends that can really shake things up. Of course, they don't seem to know this. No one told them that they are invincible. They

don't know how bright they burn. There are amazing women at the University of Notre Dame, There are women who are as competent with a calculus equation as they are with a soccer ball as they are at a loud party where they don't know anyone. So why do so many of us spend our creativity and intelligence pondering the most deadly dull questions?

We think about what we are for breakfast, we feel pangs of guilt and wonder what calisthenics we can endure during

lunch to make peace with our thighs. We think that we are sluts and regret it all, or we are embarrassed for our virginity and wonder if we're odd. We make pacts before parties, "if I drink will you watch out for me?" We know that there are things we just don't do. We know to walk the well-beaten, welllit paths. We learn how to cock our heads and make every sentence end in a

> learn to walk softly. The Black Panthers had a saying, "I'd rather die on my feet than live on my knees."

question mark. We

I'm not a suicidal fool. I don't want to die. I love my life and I want to be gray-haired and wrinkled someday. I want to be a wrinkled

old fool. I probably won't accept any more rides. But I refuse to grow hard, I refuse to grow cold. I don't want to live if living means inhaling fear, doubting my every move. I don't want to live if living means complacency with all the wicked powers that be, if it means

keeping a whistle on my key chain and a man's voice on my answering machine I'm so thankful that I was born a girl when I was. All the fates of geography and time and fam-

> mos and yes, I give praise. Blessed be. I'm thankful to all the pioneering women who made it possible for me to become a long-distance truck driver, or a nun, to become a legislator, or a mother, or a beat poet.

ily collided in the cos-

What I want now is the opportunity to be a fool. I want to be able to make the same mistakes that men my age can make. I want to be able to take off on those trains that whistle in the night, to walk alone before dawn and wear short skirts in sketchy venues. I want to not have to cross the street in the city when a man approaches. I want to be able to stick out my

thumb when my feet grow tired. I want to have the freedom to be young and stupid and emerge unscathed and strong. I want to grow into a wise, witty woman who has stories to tell because I have been able to live, and live deeply.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

N. D. Community Should Live Charity, not Hate and Intolerance

As a Lutheran pastor studying both liturgy and preaching here at Notre Dame, it has been my privilege for the last three and a half years to listen in as my Christian cousins of the Roman Catholic clan have worshiped and celebrated, prayed and professed, whispered and questioned, worried and wondered ... about their faith and about the Church and about our world. And when I have found myself among my own Lutheran kin, I am inevitably asked what it is like to study at "that Catholic school.'

I have delighted in deflating their sometimes anti-Roman prejudice by sharing the fact that I have always felt welcomed and respected and, on a good day, even valued and cherished as a pastor, theologian, scholar and Christian. I take pride in the fact that this is a place of ideas where different opinions are openly debated. Notre Dame is a true university. Then I go on to speak of all that we Lutherans could and should learn from our Roman Catholic cousins about commitment to worship, the life of prayer, the centrality of the Eucharist—the list goes on!
It will be a bit less pleasant the next

time I find myself among my Lutheran kin and am forced to confess what I am overhearing these days at our university. A conversation that I overheard in the Huddle last week cannot be dismissed as immature or uninformed because the speakers were of an age by which they should recognize the power of words.

"Guess we showed those 'baby killers' in Buffalo," someone said, reminding me of the recent murder of a physician in upstate New York. A bit later someone else said, "Can you believe they're letting Bill Bradley speak here?" "Why should we be surprised?" The first wondered. "This Catholic institution allows Jews, Mennonites, and Protestant heretics to teach in the Theology Department." A few days later I opened The Observer and found Gabriel Martinez stoning theologians with the rock on which the Church is built and myself referred to as a "heretic neighbor."

I suppose I could be angry. I know

that I shouldn't be shocked. In all honesty, I am saddened by the fact that, of all the good things that Notre Dame students have to offer the faith, the Church and the world, what we seem increasingly to be given is the justification of violence and a certain 'Catholicization' of intolerance, bigotry and hate. Is this really the rock upon which Jesus would have us build?

While I resist being labeled a "heretic," I readily admit to being a "neighbor." After all, Vatican II's decree on ecumenism, Unitatis Redintegratio, stated that "the Catholic Church accepts Imembers of separated churches] with respect and affection as brothers and sisters" (Par 3) and continues to say that they "are accepted with good reason as brothers and sisters by the children of the Catholic Church." And I recall that Jesus (and many, if not all, Popes through the ages and up to the present) taught that our relationship with neighbors should be one of faith and hope and love, with love being the greatest of these three.

I write this letter to publicly remind myself (and you) that, though a small but troubling minority is screaming loudly, in the vast majority of Notre Dame voices I hear love of neighbor. One such voice recently reminded me of the words of Saint Augustine:

"Scripture teaches nothing but charity ... I call 'charity' the motion of the soul toward the enjoyment of God for his own sake, and the enjoyment of one's self and of one's neighbor for the sake of God" (De Doctrina Christiana iii. 10,

I am sincerely grateful for the many, many voices of faculty, students and staff through whom I have heard Christ speak and from whom I have learned so much. I am confident that these are the voices that will be heard ultimately. I fear that the time is coming and has already come when they will need to turn up their volume. I pray that they will.

> Rev. Craig A. Satterlee Ph.D. Student, Department of Theology

Office of Alcohol and Drug Education Responds to Rise in Alcohol Abuse on Campus

With the recent death of Michigan State student Bradley McCue and the current outbreak of alcohol poisoning on our own campus, many students are wondering what can be done to prevent similar events from occurring at Notre Dame.

Fourteen cases of alcohol poisoning were reported on our campus during the first two weeks of school. Since then, there have been 3 to 4 reported cases each weekend. What is the problem here? What is the difference between this year and years past? This outbreak could be because many students do not realize the danger inherent in irresponsible drinking. In order to combat this lack of knowledge, The Office of Alcohol and Drug Education will sponsor an upcoming contest. The contest will entail writing

lyrics about responsible socializing to the tune of any Aerosmith song. What would a contest be without a prize. though? The reward is 2 free tickets to the upcoming Aerosmith concert at the JACC. The lyrics should focus on the positive aspects of responsible socialization. Keep your eyes on The Observer for more details, or call the Office of Alcohol and Drug Education at 1-7970. We know this sounds like a shameless plug, and it is,

> Mike Bradt Junior, Dillon Hall Kevin Clark Sophomore, Dillon Hall November 11, 1998

Boing, Boing! I'm sorry

Class registration in the future will go online to ease student complaints

By LOUBEL CRUZ Assistant Scene Editor

As a college student, there are many stresses that happen in day to day life - chemistry tests, rash professors, wind blowing your only umbrella

But, twice a year, the largest of the painful-yet necessary stresses looms up on Notre Dame students causing a panic and anticipation throughout the campus.

That time is now.

DART.

Direct Access Registration by Telephone is the primary means for class registration at the University of Notre Dame. Each student is assigned a designated registration time, randomly selected among their class, and has fifteen minutes to pick and register for their courses.

"DART is most effective way to register because it provides a method of input that is convenient for all students — the telephone," said Harold Pace, University Registrar. "Registration is as near as the closest phone.'

For all students, choosing the right classes for the next semester is essential, and when there are troubles in the registration process, one cannot help but get frustrated with the system.

"Registration for classes should not be stressful or time-consuming," said Pace. "Of course, not all students will get their first choices, but this process gives everyone a fair chance.

Notre Dame established the DART system in the late 1980s. Notre Dame was one of the first

schools to use telephone registration which, at the time, was considered innovative and new. Before DART, students registered with the "Check Mark' system which consisted of standing in line for a card to bring to your chosen class.

Registration by the internet is the registrar's recent goal for the future.

"We are currently working on a system that will allow students to register from any computer with an internet hook-up," said Pace. "We are looking into the characteristics would be of this form, but it is certain that web registration would open many windows for the students."

Pace is hoping that web registration will be available before the year 2000 and will alliviate some of the complaints he receives from DART.

"Web registration will increase the amount of hours students can use to register and their own appointment time. There are a lot of concepts to look at, like call-back times, but it is in the works,

Some students agree that registration by computer is certainly better than by phone.

"If we had the ability to registrar for classes from our computer, like the ones at Grace, it would ease the congestion on the phones and help with the stress level from hearing that busy signal," said junior Arnold Lacayo.

In the mean time, students will have to settle with DART.

"I think DART is relatively ineffective," said junior Ashley Lowery. "With my major I have to arrange my schedule around the few classes that are open. I feel I am at the mercy of the phone

and some computer of what classes I am taking and when I am taking them."

The way DART times are assigned to each person is one of the major complaints among the students.

"It seems unfair that people who get bad DART times don't get the classes they want," said Lowery. "They are paying the same amount of tuition as the people who DART on the first day."

"I know people who get the last DART time consistently every semester and people who get the first one every semester, " she added.

The registrar insists the DART times are fair and unbiased.

"The appointment times are assigned randomly within the class without any priorities," said Pace.

Some students have no problem with DART. "I personally have no problem with DART," said Lacayo. "I know people in other schools that still have to stand in line for classes. They don't get

their first choice and its a hassle" You can always work around it (DART) by talking to professors and exemption forms," said senior Bridget Holland. "They need a concrete system and this is just a means to an end.'

The main criticism among students is the noise one gets when the class is closed.

'That voice you get is so annoying!" said Lowery. "It's terrible when you are standing there with your fingers crossed hoping to hear a certain sound.'

'Those songs you get make me so nervous," said Holland. "They should play the 1812 Overture

NOT YOUR NORMAL CLASS

Flipping through the DART book, you can find some interesting courses.

- ENGL 494 Writing Whiteness
 CE 443 Waste Treatment
- ENGL 453 Visits to Bedlam
- FTT 228 Irish and American Tap Dance
- FTT 229 Ballet I
- HIST 266 Cowboys and Indians
- PHIL 224 Memoirs of Madness
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- ENGL 497 An Ear to the Ground

For up-tothe-minute registration information on DART

(like what's closed or

opening up at 7 p.m.)

visit:

http://www2.nd.edu/irishlink

it's DART time



The Horror Stories of **DARTing**

By KATI MILLER Scene Writer

DART. The word itself conjures up images of

For most students here at Notre Dame, DART is the annoying process by which classes are scheduled Everyone stresses for a few days, worrying about closed classes and exemption forms, but by the next semester DART trauma has been forgot-

Some, however, are not so lucky.

One underclassmen recounted her first DART experience — when her time was up, she had gotten into P.E. but had no other classes. This student had the last time on the last day of DART and spent the week after her registration time meeting with her advisor to find five classes she could

Megan Fischer, a sophomore from Badin Hall, also remembers her DART troubles.

"I got into four classes, but then my time ran out. When I got in at seven o'clock that night, almost all the electives that business students could take were closed," said Fischer. "I was so frustrated I finally asked my roommates to DART for me. I said. I trust you guys — just get me into a class!

Sophomore Matt Baggetta has been especially unlucky with DART — he had bad experiences both times he used DART his freshmen year.

"Spring semester I planned out three different schedules but when I called in the phone was busy for my entire 15 minutes," said Baggetta.

He immediately went to the Registrar's office, where he got another DART time for a half-hour later. His luck did not improve.

"I finished my second 15 minutes with one class—Core," Baggetta said. "The next couple of nights I called back and got into two more classes, but by then end of the year I still only had three.'

The Registrar's office informed Baggetta that he would have to DART long-distance over the summer or try again when he returned in the fall.

"I did get into one more class over the summer, and when I came back I spent a few days running around declaring my major and finding an advisor and I finally managed to get a full schedule," he

Senior Adam Rieck has not had a hard time with DART thus far, but he expects some trouble this semester.

"Since they changed the philosophy classes so that a percentage of each class is reserved for each grade level, this year's seniors aren't going to be able to get in," said Rieck.

"It's a good change to make, because now underclassmen won't have to wait until their senior year to fulfill their requirements, but for the current seniors it makes things difficult," he

Obviously, DART has been a painful experience for many students on campus. As the current DART season begins, try to stay calm and remember that things could be worse - you could be a freshman again.

Get ready to dial!

■ Scene Through Our Eyes

DART is not good to me

By EMMETT MALLOY Assistant Scene Editor

I don't even know why I bother opening those DART envelopes when they first come in the mail. From now on, I should just open them on the third day of DARTing, sometime in the afternoon, because ever since I've been in this university, I've always managed to get the worst

I may not be computer wizard, but I do know that computers are supposed to be smart. Obviously something happened in the manufacture of the DART computer. You would think that the computer would do some kind of a rotation thing; for example, the people who had a DART time on the second day would be rewarded with a DART time on the first day the next time around.

This way everyone would get to enjoy the luxury of DARTing on the first day, while also having to tolerate the misery of having it on the

Sure, I sound pretty negative, but you don't understand how much I've been screwed by the DART system in the relatively short time I've been at Notre Dame.

First semester of freshman year, I seriously wanted to fight the man behind the voice of DART - the guy who makes you feel like the biggest loser. When you dial into a class that's full, instead of hearing an apology, you hear what sounds like samplings of goat noises.

"Bleee-ch, bleec-ch, sorry, but that class is

full," says the DART guy.

Alright, alright, he didn't need to insult me just because I didn't get in a class. And he didn't need to do it over and over. Worse, he TALKS so much and so slow that he wastes your valuable DART time. You sit there on the phone waiting for him to say a simple sentence

because it takes him at least a minute per word. Thanks to his Rain Man-like speed, I ended up being able to only sign up for two classes when I DARTed at the end of last semester. I spent the remainder of the week running around campus getting permission slips to take this class or attacking professors with e-mails and phone numbers begging them to let me in their class.

I understand that there is really no other way to arrange classes at a school of this size, but I'll be bold enough to say that the DART system is stupider than the concept of parietals and the architecture of Stepan Center combined. And. since I'm writing this article. I might as well open the DART letter I got a few days ago.

Well, what do you know, THE THIRD DAY

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■ PROFESSIONAL TENNIS

Graf finally returns to top of her game

Associated Press

VILLANOVA

Finally playing without pain, Steffi Graf is one match away from a berth in the season-ending Chase Championships.

"To be able to play through continuously without a break would be welcomed," said Graf, who beat Mary Joe Fernandez 6-3, 7-6, (7-4) in a first-round match Wednesday at the Advanta Championships.

When Irina Spirlea lost to fifth-seeded Monica Seles 6-3, 6-4 in a second-round match Wednesday night, it opened the way for Graf to qualify for the elite 16-player tournament in New York next week.

Graf currently is 17th, but would pass Spirlea in the yearlong points race by beating Elena Likhovtseva on Thursday.

Last weekend, Graf returned from wrist surgery to capture Leipzig's Sparkassen Cup International in her native Germany.

"I just have been feeling so much better, and I hope I can shake the injuries that have slowed my season," she said.

Graf's victory at Leipzig made her the top money winner in women's tennis with about \$20.5 million in career earnings, surpassing the \$20.3 million by Martina Navratilova.

In earlier matches Wednesday, third-seeded Jana Novotna, the 1996 titlist and 1998 Wimbledon champion, was upset by Natasha Zvereva of Belarus 6-4, 6-4 and fourth-seeded Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario of Spain was beaten by South Africa's Amanda Coetzer 6-4, 6-1. Sanchez-Vicario had

won 14 of their previous 17 meetings.

Seles, Novotna, Sanchez-Vicario, Zvereva and Coetzer have already qualified for the Chase Championships.

Graf, the 1995 Advanta winner, had little trouble in the first set, then won the second after Fernandez rallied for a 4-3 lead. Graf relied on a strong backhand to hold off Fernandez 7-4 in the tiebreaker.

Graf is 16-0 against Fernandez, dropping only two sets in 12 years.

"I felt it was really close," Graf said. "I broke her a few times, but she kept coming back. I knew that I couldn't make a lot of mistakes."

Said Fernandez, who has played in only eight tournaments this season because of a wrist injury: "I felt that I could have won the second set. I think she is playing well. She has endured so much. I know how tough it is to come back.

"She has always come back and she always seems to get better."

Likhovtseva beat eighth-seeded Sandrine Testud, who retired in the third set due to a knee injury.

Graf, recovering from nagging knee and wrist injuries, said she believed the Philadelphia-based tournament would be a good way to get back.

"The surface is a little different and there is always the problem of dealing with the time change," Graf said. "It would be great to get to the Championships, but it just means enough to me to be able to keep playing."

College Basketball

Temple tops Wake Forest

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Rasheed Brokenborough had 16 points and No. 7 Temple overcame a 16-point deficit to beat Wake Forest 59-48 in the championship game of the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic at Madison Square Garden.

Neither team had a field goal over the final six minutes, but the Owls (2-0) came up with the better defensive effort, holding the Demon Deacons (1-1) to four points over an 8-minute span.

They took a 50-41 lead with 6:43 to play on Quincy Wadley's driving jumper, the

Owls' final field goal of the game.

Wake Forest got back within 50-46 with 6:01 left on a low post move by Rafael Vidauretta, its last basket of the game. Temple went 9-of-12 from the foul line to seal it, while the Demon Deacons continued to struggle againt the Owls' matchup zone, being held scoreless over the game's final 3 1/2 minutes.

Mark Karcher and Lynn Greer each had 10 points for Temple, which trailed 30-14 with 4:08 left in the first half.

Robert O'Kelley, who had 24 points in Wake Forest's opening-round victory over Illinois,

had 10 points against Temple.

Temple closed the first half with a 10-2 run to get within 32-24 and its defense early in the second half let the Owls climb back in it. They took their first lead at 42-39 with 9:10 left on a 3-pointer by Wadley.

It was Temple's fourth 3pointer in 15 attempts, a far cry from the opening-round win over Georgetown when Wadley made his first five 3s and finished 5-for-6 from beyond the arc.

In the third-place game, Illinois beat Georgetown 65-50 behind 19 points of freshman guard Cory Bradford.

■ WNBA

Rage silences Xplosion

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA
Taj McWilliams sparked a fourth-quarter
run to lift the Philadelphia Rage to its second
straight victory, 83-70 Wednesday night over

the Colorado Xplosion.

McWilliams scored four points during an 8-0 run in a 2:44 span midway through the

quarter that gave the Rage their biggest lead of the game, 73-62.

Teresa Edwards led the Rage with 21 points and eight assists and McWilliams finished with 16 points. Andrea Nagy and Cass Bauer added 13 points each.

Tari Phillips led Colorado with 16 points and rookie forwardAlisa Burras added 13 points and nine rebounds.

Xplosion guard Edna Campbell, leading the American Basketball League in scoring at 25 points a game, didn't score her first basket until 35 seconds into the final quarter and finished with seven points.

Consecutive three-point plays by Nagy and Edwards with two minutes remaining in the first quarter vaulted Philadelphia to a 20-12 lead

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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Top teams prepare for big weekend

Associated Press

With winter closing in, it's time to turn up the heat on the college football season.

The chase for the national championship reaches its first crucial stage Saturday, with the top three teams — Tennessee, Kansas State and UCLA — facing top-notch talent

The Volunteers (8-0), No. 1 for the first time in 42 years, play host to surprising No. 10 Arkansas (8-0). It'll be the first time two undefeated SEC teams have met this late in the season since Nov. 27, 1971, when Alabama beat Auburn 31-7.

Kansas State (9-0) plays perhaps the biggest game in school history when No. 11 Nebraska (8-2) brings its 29game winning streak over the Wildcats to Manhattan, Kan.

And then there's No. 3 UCLA (8-0), which visits Washington (5-4), a dangerous team at home led by quarterback Brock Huard. The past two weeks, the Bruins narrowly escaped against Stanford and Oregon State, teams with losing records

Anyone feeling stressed out? "Pressure?" asks Michigan coach Lloyd Carr, whose defending national champions are poised for a Rose Bowl return with wins over No. 8 Wisconsin on Saturday and Ohio State on Nov. 21. "You can look at it as a burden or an opportunity. If you prepare

the best you can, you have a good chance to handle it, and if you're not, you won't be able to."

Tennessee has handled things quite nicely after the departure of state hero Peyton Manning.

So far, they've been perfect, including an overtime thriller over Florida and Tee Martin's near-perfect passing against South Carolina a few weeks ago. Not even the loss of star running back Jamal Lewis last month has slowed them down. The defense is doing its job, too, allowing just 14.3 points per game.

The Wildcats, meanwhile, are well aware of what it would mean to beat the Huskers. All season, K-State has been criticized for its weak schedule. Now, the Wildcats have a chance to make their title statement.

"We'll have our hands full," K-State coach Bill Snyder

So will Nebraska, a rare double-digit underdog. With Bobby Newcombe still injured, Eric Crouch starts at quarterback as the Huskers get to play national title spoilers.

K-State is led by the versatile Michael Bishop. His only loss in two seasons at K-State was to Nebraska, 56-26 in 197, and Snyder said that gives his quarterback even more incentive.

"It's become and extremely important game for him, but that's only one of the reasons," Snyder said.



KRT photo

Detroit Red Wings star Steve Yzerman moved past Bryan Trottier for 10th place on the all-time scoring list last night. His 1,425th and 1,426th career points helped lead the Red Wings to a 6-2 victory over St. Louis.

■ NHL

Yzerman moves into top 10

Associated Press

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Steve Yzerman moved past Bryan Trottier, his boyhood hero, for 10th place on the NIIL career point list as the Detroit Red Wings routed the St. Louis Blues 6-2 Wednesday night.

Yzerman's goal and assist gave him 1.426 points, one more than Trottier, whom Yzerman admired so much growing up that he took his jersey number 19

"Bryan Trottier was my favorite player," Yzerman said.
"As soon as he came into the league I followed his entire career. In some ways I tried to play like he did. I've had the opportunity to meet him, and in my mind he is one of the best players ever. We all have role models, and he's mine."

Yzerman tied Trottier with an assist on Vyacheslav Kozlov's goal, the last of Detroit's four first-period goals. He then moved ahead of his hero in the last minute of the second period when he beat Blues goalie Rich Parent to complete an end-to-end rush that gave the Red Wings a 6-0 lead.

Joe Kocur scored Detroit's first two goals and Kirk Maltby had three first-period assists for the Red Wings, who have won two straight after a four-game losing streak. Kris Draper had a goal and an assist.

Kozlov, Kocur and Draper had not scored a goal and Maltby had no assists this season before Wednesday.

Larry Murphy, who assisted on Yzerman's goal, played in his 1,411th career game to tie Harry Howell for second place among defensemen. Tim Horton tops the list at 1,446.

Scott Pellerin and Jim Campbell scored third-period goals for the Blues.

Detroit goalie Chris Osgood made 26 saves.

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Chicago 5-2 Tuesday in his first
start since replacing the injured
Grant Fuhr in the St. Louis net,
gave up four goals on 13 first-

the second period by Parent, who made 16 saves. Fuhr is out six to eight weeks

with a strained groin.

Kocur, who hadn't scored a goal in his last 41 regular-season games since Dec. 31 against St. Louis, netted two just 25 seconds apart to start Detroit's first-period onslaught.

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Kocur took a drop from Maltby and blasted a shot from inside the St. Louis line that dribbled between McLennan's legs at 6:11. Then Kocur turned a deflected pass from Maltby into another goal at 6:36.

Draper, whose assist on Kocur's second goal was his first point of the season, added his first goal at 17:38 when he deflected Maltby's blast from the left point past McLennan. Kozlov scored his first goal of the season 49 seconds later when he was left alone to McLennan's left and easily converted Yzerman's pass from the left circle.

McCarty made it 5-0 when he blasted a rebound past Parent on a power play 6:05 into the second period before Yzerman scored at 19:41.

Pellerin spoiled Osgood's shutout bid when he batted in Al Macinnis' rebound 5:57 into the third, and Campbell scored his first goal at 10:35.

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■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

UK Wildcats beat Australian all-star team, 88-74

Associated Press

LEXINGTON

Scott Padgett had 19 points and two Kentucky freshman scored in double figures to lead Kentucky to an unexpectedly tough 88-74 exhibition victory over the Australian All-Stars on Wednesday.

The Australians scored the first nine points of the game and stayed close most of the way, shooting 11-of-31 from 3point range. Kentucky didn't pull away until the final 3:30, when it put together a 15-4

"I think they read the papers," coach Tubby Smith said of his team's performance. "They thought they could show up and beat this

Jules Camara had 11 points and Tayshaun Prince 10 points and each freshman had eight rebounds for the Wildcats. Kentucky shot 50 percent from the floor (34-of-68) and outrebounded the Australians 39-

Dominick Young, a Fresno State product now playing professionally in Australia, led the All-Stars with 20 points, including four 3-pointers, and Australian native Keiron Mitchelhill had 15 points, including three 3-pointers.

It was the second and last exhibition for Kentucky, which beat the California All-Stars 103-74 on Nov. 3. The Wildcats, who are ranked fourth in the preseason Associated Press poll, open the season Tuesday at home against Eastern Kentucky.

Kentucky was the final stop of a seven-game U.S. tour for the Australian All-Stars, who were winless after stops at Virginia, Maryland, Temple, Duke, North Carolina and Clemson.

"I was impressed with their play," Australian coach Rex Nottage said of the Wildcats. "They have a strong attack inside and out... If they keep improving, I'm sure I will be watching them on television in the Final Four.

With Kentucky leading 76-72 and under three minutes remaining, Padgett hit two

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Australian possession, Kentucky's Saul Smith got into a wrestling match for the ball near halfcourt. From his back, he passed to Padgett, who gunned it to Camara, waiting under the basket. Camara slammed the ball home and made a subsequent free throw, giving the Wildcats an 81-72

Kentucky was undermanned,

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> TUBBY SMITH KENTUCKY COACH

as four players sat out, including freshman Desmond Allison. Smith said Allison was benched for missing a class.

Three other Wildcats -Jamaal Magloire, Ryan Hogan and Myron Anthony - sat out the second of four games

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free throws. On the next under suspensions Smith handed down last week. All three were involved in offcourt troubles in the offseason.

After falling behind in the opening minutes, the Wildcats floor for that sequence:

chipped away, and closed the first half with a 15-5 run that gave them a 42-35 lead.

Four of Kentucky's five freshman recruits were on the Camara, Prince, Todd Tackett and J.P. Blevins. Tackett hit a 3-pointer to tie the game at 30, and Blevins' long jumper gave Kentucky its first lead of the night, 36-35 with 2:21 left.

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Hockey

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mance as a whole. Allow me to lay out four ways which Poulin, along with assistant coaches Andy Slaggert and Tom Carroll, has assembled one of the bestcoached teams in the country.

First, special teams have improved by leaps and bounds in Poulin's time as coach. For a team to kill a penalty, it must have defensive discipline. To score on the power play, a team must have an adequate game plan which must include good decision-making. Puck movement, strategic positioning, and good shot selection are all essential parts of a successful power play. Last season, the Irish ranked fourth in the CCHA on both the power play (17.7 percent) and the penalty-kill (84 percent). This season, the Irish are fifth on the penalty-kill (88.6 percent) and have the top power play in the league (29.7 percent). The statistics cited here apply only to the seven games Notre Dame has played in the CCHA so far, excluding the three played against non-conference opponents. Including those games, the power play is operating at a ridiculously high efficiency of 32.1 percent. Generally speaking, a 20-percent power play is the goal for most teams. A team with a 25-percent power play is usually top-notch, but a 30-percent power play is unheard of. Hopefully, the trend will continue this season.

Second, the Irish play a more disciplined game (in many ways) than ever before. Three years ago, Notre Dame was one of the most penalized teams in the CCHA, whereas last season the Irish took less penalties than any other team in the conference. The Irish are also disciplined on defense in terms of the way they position themselves. Aside from the game against No. 1 Boston College, this team has not given up nearly as many odd-man rushes as in past years.

Defensemen like Tyson Fraser and Andy Jurkowski never seem to get caught out of position. Ryan Clark and Nathan Borega bring a controlled physical presence to the ice every game, which is to say they can generally manage to stay out of the penalty box while still putting opposing players into the boards and on the ice.

Third, the Irish have plenty of good two-way players. Their top [scoring] line of Aniket Dhadphale, Ben Simon, and captain Brian Urick consists of players who can kill penalties. Also, players like Dan Carlson and Matt Van Arkel create scoring chances in the offensive zone while at the same time they manage to back check [in the defensive zone].

Finally, Poulin's coaching also shows itself in the face-off circle. This is a subtle part of the game which is often overlooked by fans. However, the ability to win key draws is needed to win hockey games. Ben Simon is the team's best face-off man. When the Irish have a lead in the third period (which they have had in all but one game this season), especially when the game gets late and the draw is in the defensive zone, you will see No. 8 at the dot. Also, freshman Brett Henning has already established himself as a force in the face-off circle.

Enough raving for now. The article's purpose is to familiarize the entire campus with this unappreciated team which may be in the midst of a special season. Right now, Notre Dame is ranked sixth in the nation, and it's doubtful that the team has reached its full potential yet.

This coming weekend, the Irish take on the Falcons of Bowling Green and the hated Michigan Wolverines. Bowling Green, fresh off last Friday's upset of No. 9 Northern Michigan, should not be overlooked. Last season, Bowling Green struggled with injuries on their way to a disappointing 6-21-3 CCHA mark, finishing in last place. However, their top



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players are back this season, and their good start makes this an interesting team to watch on Friday night (see tomorrow's article for more). Saturday, just after Notre Dame has moved to 8-1 on the football season, the hockey team will square off against Michigan at the Joyce Center in a highly anticipated CCHA game. To explain the importance of this matchup, there is some history which I must relate to you first.

Last January, an underrated Notre Dame squad went to Ann Arbor to face nationally-ranked Michigan in Yost Arena. After taking a 4-1 lead into the final period of play, Michigan coach Red Berensen showed no respect for the Irish offensive attack by taking out starting goaltender (and NCAA recordholder for wins) Marty Turco in favor of backup Greg Malicke. What ensued was a nightmarish third period for the Wolverines, in which Notre Dame managed

to tie the score with just over ten minutes to play.

The Irish had apparently won the game when Steve Noble put the puck past Malicke with 20 seconds remaining. However, the referee had blown the play dead, thinking Malicke had control. The game was won in overtime by Michigan as Greg Crozier notched a hat trick against the snake-bitten Irish.

In last year's CCHA playoffs, Notre Dame faced Michigan in three games, all in Ann Arbor. After handing Michigan just the school's second home playoff loss with a first game drubbing, the Irish had them on the ropes once again in game two. With just over two minutes to play, Aniket Dhadphale thought he won the game with a shot that managed to sneak under the crossbar and in. The referee pointed to the goal line, signaling a goal, but he was overruled by the linesman, who claimed the net was off its pegs.

went on to win this one as well, in the fifth-longest CCHA playoff game of all time.

This weekend's games are the first big hockey games here in a long time. When you come to root on the Irish, here are some players to watch: If you like big hits and physical play, watch defensemen Ryan Clark (17) and Nathan Borega (2), as well as right wing Joe Dusbabek (33). If you come to see offensive snipers, watch for Ben Simon

(8), Brian Urick (15), Aniket Dhadphale (9), and freshman David Inman (12), who has shown himself to have arguably the best wrist shot on the team. When Notre Dame goes on the power play, watch for defenseman Benoit Cotnoir's (25) slapshot, while blue-collar players like Matt Van Arkel (30), Dan Carlson (26) and Dhadphale clean up by going hard to the net. Also, watch for Simon and freshman Brett Henning (11) in the face-off circle. If you are one of those fans who appreciates the unsung hero, watch for Tyson Fraser (6) when an opposing forward goes one-onone with him and ultimately fails to get a shot off.

If you cannot manage to get into either game because it is already sold out, turn on 103.1 FM to follow along with Bob Nagle and Paul Shaheen as they call the action live. For those of you who are familiar with hockey broadcasts, you will quickly notice how much Shaheen's voice resembles that of famous hockey announcer Mike Emerick, certainly a flattering comparison.

So hopefully, after this weekend's games, this campus will be better acquainted with the best team on campus no one [currently] knows about. Maybe sometime later this year, Notre Dame will suddenly become a hockey campus, as we follow this talented team all the way to the NCAA Tournament.

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■ NBA

Jordan, NBA players to host exhibition in Vegas

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Michael Jordan's next basketball game could occur the first weekend of December in an exhibition that would be held in Las Vegas, players' union director Billy Hunter said Wednesday.

"Whether or not (Jordan) will play won't be known until the last moment. If he doesn't play, he'll coach. But he'll be physically present," Hunter said after the union's negotiating committee and several team player representatives met for about 5 1/2 hours to discuss the lockout.

No new negotiations are scheduled, although Hunter said he would call commissioner David Stern on Wednesday night or Thursday to gauge whether the sides want to sit down at the negotiating table again.

"He has indicated that he does have another proposal. When he puts it out there remains to be seen," Hunter said. "I think what he wants to do is sweat our players a little more and see whether there's any inclination on our part to want to submit."

There have been no discussions since talks broke off Friday, and season cannot start until mid-December at the earliest.

If another three weeks go by without an agreement, the season probably won't start until

"Fans may be somewhat disheartened at this moment, but I don't think the fans are turned off to the point that we can't regain their support," Hunter said. "It's sort of crunch time. Sooner or later the (owners) will have to decide that it's time to get a deal."

In the meantime, agents David Falk, Arn Tellem and Eric Fleisher are trying to organize an exhibition game in Las Vegas for the first weekend of December.

Hunter said the Showtime cable network has expressed interest in televising the game. A spokeswoman for Showtime had no comment.

Hunter said the game might be a matchup between two of the three Dream Teams that competed in the 1992 and 1996 Olympics and the 1994 World

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But it would be impossible to put the original Dream Team back together since Magic Johnson and Larry Bird are now part of management — Johnson as a part-owner of the Lakers and Bird as the coach of the Indiana Pacers. Also, Christian Laettner ruptured his Achilles' tendon last summer and could not play, and Clyde Drexler will be busy coaching the University of Houston basketball team.

"Our players are interested in keeping themselves busy, and we think that one day to do it is have some sort of an exhibition competition," Hunter said. "The proceeds would go to the (upion)."

During Wednesday's meeting, discussions focused mainly on where the sides stand and how to reach a compromise.

Owners, general managers and coaches have been contactingplayers in recent days to discuss the owners' proposal.

"Maybe (having the teams speak to the players) is a last ditch effort before they really sit down at the table and try to get a deal," Hunter said.

The sides have already discussed the framework for a deal in which a "luxury tax" would be imposed for two or three years on owners who sign players to lucrative contracts, after which an "escrow tax" could be withheld from players' paychecks to ensure that the percentage of revenues devoted to salaries drops to an agreed-upon level.

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Men's Basketball

MacLeod signs recruits

Special to The Observer

Matt Carroll, a 6-5 1/2 guard from Horsham, Penn., and Hatboro-Horsham High School, and Mike Monserez, a 6-5 guard from Moeller High School and Cincinnati, Ohio, have signed National Letters of Intent to enroll at the University of Notre Dame next fall and play for head coach John MacLeod's basketball team.

Carroll averaged 23.6 points per game as a junior in high school and added 8.5 rebounds, 6.8 assists and 1.8 blooks per game. He is ranked No. 30 in the country among high school seniors by

All-Star Sports and its publish Bob Gibbons and No. 67 by Future Stars.

Carroll was named all-area and all-league for his first three years in high school and was named the 1988 state player of the year in Pennsylvania.

In the summer of 1998, Carroll was a member of the USA Basketball men's junior world championship qualifying team, which won the gold medal at the COPABA junior world championship qualifying tournament. Carroll averaged 6.5 points per game in the tournament and 2.0 rebounds.

Monserez led Moeller to an

18-4 reocrd in his junior year and the team finished ninth in the Associated Press Ohio Division I poll after losing in the sectional finals. Monserez led the team with 12 points per game as a total of five Moeller players averaged in double figures. Monserez also averaged 7.5 assists per game, shot 38.5 percent from the three-point distance and 78 percent from the foul line.

He was named firs team all-Southwestern Ohio by the AP, first team all-city by the Cincinnati Enquirer and coplayer of the year in the Greater Catholic League of Cincinnati and Dayton.

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All events in room 102 DeBartolo



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Calendar of Events

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday, 11:30 pm until Tuesday, 10:00pm, St. Paul's Chapel, Fisher Hall Fridays, 12 noon until 4:45 pm, Lady Chapel, Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Freshman Retreat #19

Friday- Saturday, November 13-14, St. Joe Hall

Learning to Talk About Race Retreat

Friday-Saturday, November 13-14, Lindenwood

ROTC Freshman Retreat

Friday-Saturday, November 13-14, Five Pines

Living Rosary, sponsored by North Quad Liturgical & Service Commissioners

All are Welcome!

Saturday, November 14, 11:00 am, Stonehenge (Field House Mall) Rain Location, Breen-Phillips Chapel

RCIA Retreat

Sunday, November 15, 8:00 am-6:00 pm, St. Joe Hall

Folk Choir Concert at the Michigan City State Prison

Sunday, November 15

Campus Bible Study

Tuesday, November 17, 7:00-8:30 pm, Badin Hall Chapel

Part 7 of a Seven-Part Series on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit: *Wisdom* by Ms. Chandra Johnson

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekend Presiders

at Sacred Heart Basilica

Saturday, November 14 Mass

5:00 p.m.

Rev. Paul V. Kollman, C.S.C.

Sunday, November 15 Mass

10:00 a.m.

Rev. William A. Wack, C.S.C.

11:45 a.m.

Rev. Thomas P. Doyle, C.S.C.

Scripture Readings for this Coming Sunday

1st Reading

Malachi 3:19-20

2nd Reading

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel

Luke 2:5-19

What does it matter that I am here? Jim Lies, C.S.C.

It's a question we occasionally ask ourselves: what does it matter that I am here? As I pose the question, I don't mean in a strictly existential sense. Oh no; that's too big for me to take on. I'll leave that for the resident philosophers to tackle. My question asks simply: what does it matter that I am here, here at Notre Dame, as opposed to just about anywhere else that I might otherwise be? What difference does it make? Please God, it makes some difference.

It isn't a question only for Seniors who have to figure out who they are and what they want. Ultimately, it's a question that each of us must answer for ourselves. It is for all of us, all of the time. It's a question about people and relationships, about faith, and about ourselves. It's a question that will have a different answer for each one who attempts a response. The only right answer for you is your own. The only wrong answer is not to take up the question. There are all kinds of things to think about. All sorts of things to reflect upon. Let's consider a few.

Who am I for having been here as long as I have? Am I a better friend to my friends than I was before I came to Notre Dame? To my parents? Do the people around me challenge me to be more than I would otherwise be? Do I think differently? For all the work I've done, am I any smarter at all? Do I care more now about things that I might never have before considered? Do I attend to the needs of others? What does service mean in my life? Do I do any? Should I? What about faith? Do I really have any - in anything? Do I pray? Am I any more faithful to the God in whom I profess faith than I was before I arrived? Do I even believe what I say I believe? Am I any more moral, or disciplined, or mature? Am I, in the end, a better man, or a better woman, for having come to this place?

I'm telling you, there is no better time than right now to get at some of these questions. Every day that we fail to address the most pressing and important questions of our life is a missed opportunity. Today, this very day, is the day during which we can stop, reflect and pray, on who it is that we are, and who we want to be, and on who we're called to be. Is it enough to believe that God loves us or that we're exactly where God would have us be in this moment? I don't know, even as I believe it is somehow true. But even with that, I don't believe that we can content ourselves to stay where we are. Our being here is a great privilege and not to take advantage of it, not to revel in it, could later prove to be one of the greatest regrets of our lives. There is much to do on the way to becoming who we are meant to be. There are relationships to attend to - with others and with God. There are studies to pursue. There are changes that need to be made in our lives. There is a Kingdom to build.

In my work in Campus Ministry I have had the great privilege of meeting a whole variety of people from across this campus... with students particularly, but with staff and faculty and administrators as well. We are not all so different really. We all struggle in much the same way to understand ourselves in relation to our world, and to our God. Whether it be in our respective families, or residence hall communities, in our intimate relationships with others or with God, we all struggle with the challenge of becoming all that God intends us to be, all that we want to be. Let us not shrink from it.

Please God, we won't look back years from now and wonder why we didn't spend more time at the Grotto; or delight, when we could, in the company of friends; or take more chances. Let it not be said of us that we avoided the big questions or that we failed to examine the limits of all that we could be while we were at Notre Dame. Just how we do that is going to be different for each us... but I can tell you, it's about God, and about faith, and about relationships. It's about talking to one another about the things that matter, and about love and forgiveness, of ourselves and of others. The value of your experience at Notre Dame, in the end, will not be measured by your personal popularity, or by how much you can drink on a particular weekend night, or even by your academic success. It will ultimately be measured by how well you have learned to love.



■ Major League Baseball

Tigers sign Palmer to \$36 million contract

Associated Press

DETROIT

The Detroit Tigers, seeking to build a contender as they prepare to move into a new stadium in 2000, signed Dean Palmer to a \$36 million, five-year contract on Wednesday.

Tigers general manager Randy Smith said the signing should send a message to fans and to other teams that the Tigers, who have posted five straight losing seasons for the first time in their history, are ready to compete again.

"We identified three needs after the season that needed to be addressed; we needed a runproducing bat, a veteran catcher and pitching," Smith said. "We've answered one of those needs, and we're not packing up now and heading home."

He said signing Palmer, Detroit's first major free agent addition in years, would make it easier for the Tigers to sign a pitcher and mentioned Todd Stottlemyre as a possibility.

"For someone like Stottlemyre to show us consideration, we have to show we're serious," he said.

He said the signing of Palmer, coupled with the new stadium, will make Detroit more attractive to free agents.

"You look at the Cleveland situation before their new ball-park, it wasn't a place that was on the top of most ballplayers' list to play. But now it is," he said. "I think that will happen for us."

Palmer said it made a difference for him.

"I liked the idea of being with

the team moving into a new stadium," he said.

Palmer, who turns 30 next month, hit .278 this year for Kansas City, leading the Royals in both homers (34) and RBIs (119). He was acquired by Kansas City from Texas on July 25, 1997, for Tom Goodwin.

Palmer said he signed with Detroit over Tampa Bay because "it felt like the right fit for me."

"I looked at the talent they have on the field and there's some great talent. With a couple more additions, they will be ready go contend," Palmer said.

Palmer added that Smith indicated that the Tigers are ready to make those additions.

The signing fit in with the plan the Tigers began three years ago to go with young players to begin building a nucleus. Smith said the nucleus is in place and it's time to fill holes.

The Tigers were last in the AL Central this season at 65-97, 24 games behind first-place Cleveland.

Palmer, who made \$5.75 million this season, turned down a \$4.75 million player option and became a free agent following the World Series.

The Tigers are giving him a \$10 million signing bonus that is payable over five years, \$3 million in 1999, \$5 million in 2000, \$5.5 million in 2001, \$6 million in 2002 and \$6.5 million in 2003.

Smith said that when the Tigers heard that Tampa had made a similar offer, the Tigers agreed to guarantee the fifth year. The contract also includes a no-trade clause for three years.

Smith said the deal came together partly because Palmer was willing to take less the first season, before the new stadium

opens.

Palmer said he was impressed by the fact the Tigers made an offer one minute after midnight Friday.

Detroit also made an offer to

Ken Caminiti, another freeagent third baseman, but Smith said he told the Tigers he wasn't ready to make a quick decision so they turned their attention toward Palmer.

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Tuesday.

101 DeBartolo.

11/17. SLF Coffeehouse

11/18. Wednesday. Reckers.

0900PM.

0730PM.

(HALL PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL)

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Saturday.

(CLUB COORDINATION COUNCIL)

Native American Heritage Week.

11/15.

Sunday.

Marketing Club: Donald Dixon from Cox Enterprises.

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Monday.

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0500PM-0600PM.

Pre-Physical Therapy Club: Fran MacDonald from MacDonald Physical Therapy and Sports Rehab. 11/16. Monday.

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0700PM.

General Habitat Meeting

11/17.

Tuesday.

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0630PM.

Miscellaneous/Campus Wide

Spring 1999 Registration/DART begins.

11/12.

Thursday.

Dept. of Music Carolyn Plummer, violinist.

11/15.

Sunday.

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Dept. of Music: Robert Marshall.

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Monday.

124 Crowley Hall of Music. 0430PM.

Dept of Music: Schola Musicorum.

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0930PM.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Kellogg Institute Speaker, Catherine Boone, Dept. of Political Science.

11/12.

Thursday.

C-103 HCIS.

0415PM.

Kellogg Institute Speaker, Robin Kirk, Human Rights Watch Discussion.

11/13.

Friday.

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HCIS Auditorium.

Where the Action Is.

1230PM.

Brown bag lunch provided.

Student Government Faculty-Student Lunch.

11/17.

Tuesday.

1200PM-0100PM.

Kellogg Institute Speaker, Christopher Welna, Kellogg Inst. and Dept. of Govt.

Saturday.

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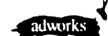
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Basketball

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The Irish got the job done practically on defense alone, keeping the Estonian team on the outside pushing for its points. Sophomore center Ruth Riley along with Kelley Siemon and Danielle Green anchored the Irish defense, which gathered all but three of the possible rebounds that Estonia put upin the first half. Head coach Muffet McGraw's dominating defense gave theteam all they needed to win the game, on both sides of the court.

"We played fairly well defensively," she said. "They had a different offense though. They really weren't a power team, they shot a lot of jumpers."

The outside shots began to get the right bounce for Estoria as the periodcame to a close, led by forwards Marelle Gruthal and Margit Konno. But as Estonia began to warmup with the close of the second half, Notre Dame just got hotter. Ericka Haney, who didn't

check into the game until the 14-minute mark, led the scoring with 15. Her six offensive boards also kept the Irish firing away. The freshman guard has already made a large impact off the bench, scoring 11 in Notre Dame's first exhibition game against Visby-Sweden and her team-leading 19 points Wednesday night.

"We knew she would play well off the bench," commented McGraw on theearly contributions by Haney for the Irish. 'She also rebounded well. I was really impressed with that."

The second half proved no different as the Irish continued to put their seal on the game. Again, Notre Dame dominated on both sides of the court, leaving Estonia in foul trouble on defense and once again shooting from the outside on offense. Notre Dame clamped down in the second half, as they did not allow any Estonian points from inside the paint in the final 20 min-

"We went to more of a contained zone," explained

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McGraw. "We were forcing them to work it around the perimeter more.

In doing so, Estonia faced an

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> MUFFET McGraw WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH

easier time shooting three pointers thanfield goals. They shot 4 for 12 in the second from three-point range yet only 6 for 25 inside that zone.

The outside shooting eased the Irish foul trouble, especially fromunderneath the basket. Both Riley and Siemon, who led the team with sixdefensive boards apiece, each had only one foul in the contest.

Estonia's game plan rubbed off on the Irish in the closing period, especially when captain Sheila McMillen re-entered the lineup with 11:50left in the game. She sunk four threepointers and added two from the foul line.

McMillen's last trey was a buzzer-beater from half court that gave the Irish a 51-point lead, their largest of the night.

Next Game: Saturday VS. **UCLA**



Irish guard Danielle Green drives to the hoop during last evening's game versus a team of Estonian players. Her rebounding was key to the win.

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■ NFL

Cowboys prepare for Phoenix

The Dallas Cowboys know what's at stake Sunday in Arizona: Win and virtually lock up the NFC East title; lose and they're tied for the division lead.

If the Cowboys (6-3) beat the Cardinals (5-4), they'll hold a two-game lead with six to play. Arizona actually would need to be three games better than Dallas the rest of the way to win the NFC East because the Cowboys would have the edge in all tiebreakers.

"This is a great chance for us to create separation in our division race," defensive tackle Hennings Wednesday.

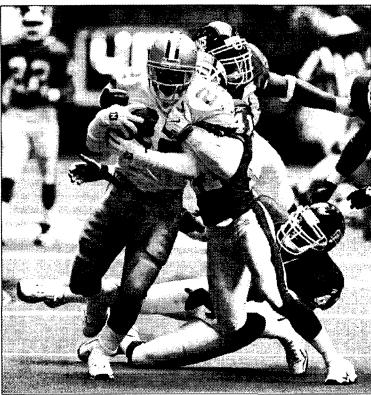
A loss wouldn't devastate Dallas' playoff chances, but it would break up a lot of momentum.

The Cowboys are seeking their first three-game winning streak since 1996, and a victory would be their fifth in six weeks. That would put them closer to the big streak coach Chan Gailey repeatedly says a team must have in order to be championship material.

"This is the biggest challenge we've had this year," Gailey said. ÓNo doubt about it.'

The Cowboys beat the Cardinals 38-10 in the season opener, extending their dominance in the series to 15 victories in 16 meetings. The lone Arizona victory in that span

4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.



Emmitt Smith and the Dallas Cowboys face an important game in Arizona this weekend versus the Cardinals. If they win, they will be in first place in the NFC East.

came the last time the teams met in Sun Devil Stadium, when the Cardinals rallied from a 22-7 deficit to win 25-22 in overtime last September. Some fans celebrated by tearing down the goal posts, something usually seen only at college games.
"It was a big win for them."

safety Darren Woodson said.

"And a hard loss for us."

"That is a motivation for us." Hennings said. "We realize we can't let that happen again. When we have opportunities, we've got to take advantage of

The desert has been the site of close games in this series since the Cardinals moved there in 1988.

Weaver

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ing time, but quickly found out he could hold his own with the other linemen.

"In all honesty, I just wanted to be on the travel team," said Weaver, "I had no thought of starting whatsoever. I just had this image in my mind that everybody's so much stronger and faster but once I got here I felt I could compete.'

The close-knit atmosphere of this team has been a crucial factor in its success. The Irish possess tremendous leaders who are willing to put team goals ahead of personal achievement. Weaver has felt this leadership amongst his fellow defensive

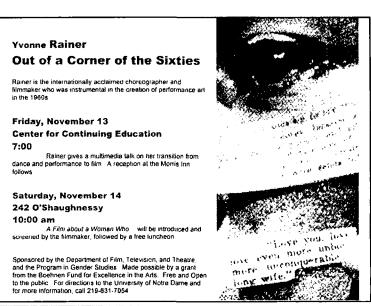
"They've helped me a lot," said Weaver when talking about the other defensive linemen. "When I came in the summer, it was me, Lamont (Bryant) and Jason Ching playing the five technique and even when they found I was going to start, there was no animosity. All they did was help me and they helped my game so

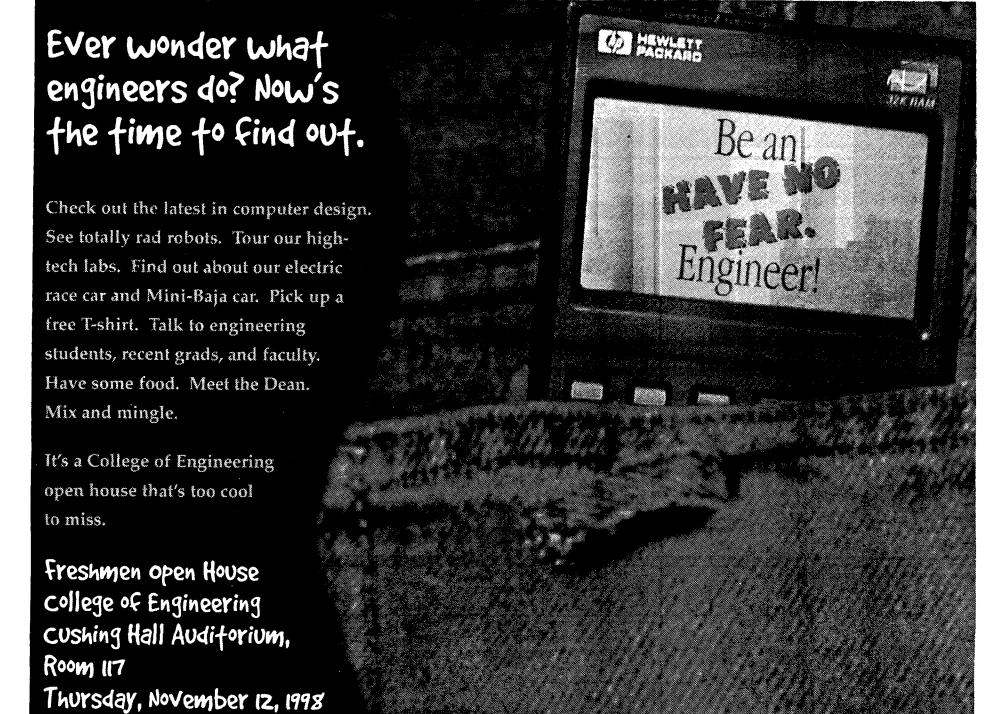
Defensive end and rush outside linebacker coach Charlie Strong has seen the progress of his prized defensive end and credits a lot of his success to his athleticism.

"He's not the biggest guy but he plays with good technique and he has so much ability," said Strong, "He was a running back in high school, so when you take a big guy like him playing running back and you are able to put him on the defensive front, you know that he's got the speed and quickness.'

The future looks bright for the 6-foot-3, 250 pounder. With his maturity he should be a force at defensive end for the next three years, and Coach Strong has high hopes for his talented freshman.

"If a young man starts as a freshman, you always think there's great expectations for him," said Strong, "The only thing he can do is get bigger, stronger and just work to get better and better.





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LOOKING THROUGH THE WIZARD OF ND

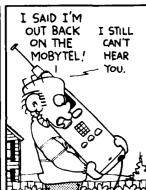
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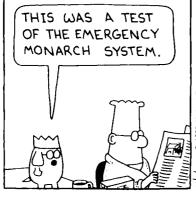


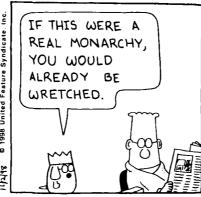
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Sudden romantic encounters will set vour head spinning. Don't jump too quickly. Your energetic persona will enable you to be the center of attention at social gatherings. 000

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take advantage of the opportunities that present themselves. You will be in a better position if you discuss your objectives with authority figures.
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ting together with family and friends will be conducive to meeting new romantic partners. You will be in the mood for love and your outgoing

nature will open doors that lead to new avenues. OO

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will have an abundance of energy. Immerse yourself in work-related projects where you will receive the higgest nathers. You can gain popul biggest payback. You can gain popularity with both your superiors and

your co-workers. OOOO LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Put your energy into self-improvement programs. Competitive games will be your forte. You can easily impress others with your generous nature. Travel will promote romantic connections.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can make financial gains through property investments, insurance policies, an inheritance or some winnings Make tavorable changes in your domestic scene, but make sure that

you have everyone's approval. CCO LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Pleasure trips or short jaunts to visit friends or relatives will be successful. Take heed of the advice given. Your mood will be romantic and your partner will be receptive. OOO SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Put

sional endeavors. Social events will promote new romantic ties. Your investments must be conservative Think twice before you sign. OOOO SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):

Your spontaneity will cause others to gravitate toward you. You will be in for adventure and social events will provide you with the necessary excitement. OO

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Sudden good fortune can be yours if you take a chance. Deal with government agencies or any red tape that you may have hanging over your head. Be secretive about your personal life, 00000

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Pleasure trips and social activity will be entertaining. Satisfy your passionate mood. The contributions you make to organizations will enhance your reputation. OOO PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your

igh energy will enable you to accomplish more than your colleagues. You can get respect from superiors if you present your unique approach to your work. You can work well with others. OCO

■ OF INTEREST

'Election 1998' - The Lessons - 'Election 1998', an interactive video conference with E.J Dionne Jr., Cokie Roberts, and Mark Shields will take place tonight at 7:30 p.m. in DeBartolo 141.

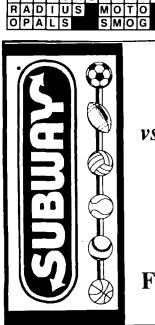
'Christmas Around the World' Meeting - Saint Mary's Student Activities Board is sponsoring 'Christmas Around the World' Nov. 30. If you would like to participate, attend an informational meeting today in Haggar Parlor at 8 p.m. Contact Tysus Jackson at X4357 for more information.

Saint Mary's College Fall Choir Concert - The Saint Mary's College Women's Choir and the Saint Mary's College-Notre Dame Collegiate Choir will present their fall concert tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Moreau Center Little Theatre. The concert is free of charge and open to the public. Nancy Menk, chair of the music department at Saint Mary's, will conduct the concert. Musicians Larry Taylor, Andrea Mather, and Bethany Chattin will accompany the choirs.

Center for Social Concerns - The spring edition of the booklet "Social Concerns Courses with Experiential, Service-Learning, and Community-Based Learning" is now available for all interested students and faculty at the Center for Social Concerns and at the offices of Campus Ministry.

College of Arts and Letters - Dean Roche of the College of Arts and Letters cordially invites all Arts and Letters students and prospective students to attend an open forum on Wed., Nov. 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lafortune Ballroom. Questions will be answered and refreshments will be served.

Got Sports? call 1-4543



Hockey

Fri., Nov.13th vs. Bowling Green Sat., Nov. 14th vs. Michigan 7:00pm

First 350 Students FREE

Men's Basketball

Fri., Nov.13th

7:30pm vs. Miami (OH)

Sun., Nov. 15th

2:00pm vs. Yale First 1000 fans receive **Notre Dame Basketball**

Schedule Magnet

Women's **Basketball** Sat., Nov.14th

1:00pm vs. UCLA FREE frisbees for first 500 fans in Gate 10 "America's Best Frisbee Dogs" performing!!

Women's **Soccer**

NCAA Championship **Second Round**

Sun., Nov.15th 1:00pm Alumni Field

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RISH INSIGHT

Hockey team deserves respect

By TED BASSANI Sports Writer

Allow me to introduce you to the varsity team on campus which has staged the most dramatic turnaround of any Notre Dame team in a decade - the Notre Dame hockey team.

For now, Notre Dame is not what anyone would call a "hock-ey campus," and I certainly understand that. Up until late last year, in fact, there has not been much of a reason for students to take interest in the team, since the program's last .500 season took place in 1990-91. Let me remind you that even that season, the Irish sported a record of 16-15-2, playing the likes of Alabama-Huntsville,

Lake Forest, Mercyhurst and Kent State, since Notre Dame had not yet joined the CCHA.

The turnaround of the program as a whole began with the selection of a new head coach in the spring of 1995. Following his last season playing in the NHL (Washington Capitals), 2-time All-Star center and Notre Dame alumnus Dave Poulin took the position of head coach. Poulin was co-captain of the Irish the last time the program was respectable on the national scene when he led the team to the 1982 CCHA championship game, marking the first and only time Notre Dame has played in a conference championship game.

As for his tenure as head coach, Poulin has recruited some of the best players to ever play for Notre Dame, and furthermore, he has already developed some into top NHL prospects. In fact, there are currently six players on the roster who have been drafted by NHL teams. That number would have been one higher had Mark Eaton not foregone three years of eligibility to play for the Philadelphia Flyers organization following a superb freshman year in 97-98.

But the real sign of a good coach is not the raw ability of the players he can recruit to play for him. (If you want proof, just ask Ohio State fans about John Cooper) Good coaching manifests itself through player development and team perfor-

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tinue its successful play into the next century.

Led by head coach Dave Poulin, the Irish hockey team hopes to con-

■ FOOTBALL

Freshman Weaver provides big hits

By TIM CASEY Sports W'riter

Like most young aspiring athletes growing up in the 90's, Tony Weaver had visions of being the next Michael Jordan.

As Irish fans can attest, it was a good thing that he made the switch to football.

"I was getting recruited for football and I was starting to get too big, I was eating too much and I started losing that basketball skill, so I decided football was the way to go and I'm just going to try to play the best I can," commented Weaver.

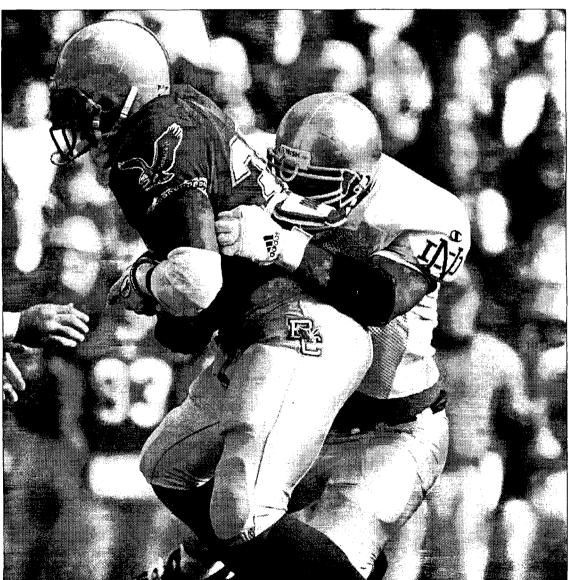
His basketball glory may be limited to the Bookstore Basketball tournament, but his "try" at football will certainly lead to a promising career. Only a freshman, Weaver has become one of the most valuable defensive players on this year's 7-1 squad.

Despite being inexperienced, Weaver has been the most consistent performer on the defensive line. He started the season and his career with a timely forced fumble against Michigan and became the first defensive player for the Irish to start in a season opener since Mike Kovaleski in 1983.

Ever since, he has been nothing less than sensational, recording 18 tackles and two sacks on the season.

Weaver possesses tremendous athleticism - with great technique and footwork – which has been crucial in his early success. In high school, this multi-talented athlete started for the basketball team and rushed for 717 yards as a senior tailback. These sports helped him with his speed, which has been very useful this year when lining up against offensive linemen who outweigh him by 50 pounds.

"Playing tailback and playing



Freshman Tony Weaver brings down a Boston College player last weekend. He has proven to be a valuable asset to the Irish squad this season. After starting his season off with a forced fumble in the Michigan game, he has recorded 18 tackles and two sacks.

basketball helped my footwork a lot so that makes me a little lighter on my feet," said the Saratoga Springs, N.Y., native. "When I'm out here I don't have to go through 300 pounders. I can try to run around them."

He is also grateful to his high

him become the player he is

"My high school coach played in the Canadian Football League and he played defensive end, too," added Weaver. "So coming in, I already had the footwork

school football coach for helping and everything that most freshman don't usually have, so it was a big advantage to me.

Coming into the season, the humble Weaver didn't know what to expect in terms of play-

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Women's Basketball

Irish double-up **Estonians**

By ANTHONY BIANCO Assistant Sports Editor

Notre Dame controlled the play at both baskets and everywhere in between as it dominated Tallinn Kayaba from Estonia from opening tip-off to the closing buzzer.

The Irish won their second and final exhibition gameof the season with a final score of 88-37.

The Irish wasted no time getting the early jump in the matchup.

Capitalizing on offensive rebounds and putting up six of its first nine field goals from inside, Notre Dame built a 23-5 lead in the first 10 minutes. Estonia only helped the Irish amass their early lead with six fouls in that time span.

Estonia went five and a half minutes into the contest without a pointas the Irish point lead. Janne Rits got Estonia on the board at 14:25 with an outside jumper. Rits connected on twoof her seven field goals in the first half in addition to landing two of her four free throws to end the half with 18 for Estonia.

Ulle-Ella Tonnis injected some life into the Estonian defense as the half closed with her four steals. But the Irish never let Estonia get close on the scoreboard or get close to the basket.

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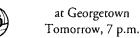


at Boston College Saturday, 2 p.m.

Big East Semifinals at Connecticut Tomorrow, 12 p.m.



Big East Quarterfinals at St. John's Sunday, 12 p.m.





at Boston College Tomorrow, 7 p.m.