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Students rally, march in D.C.

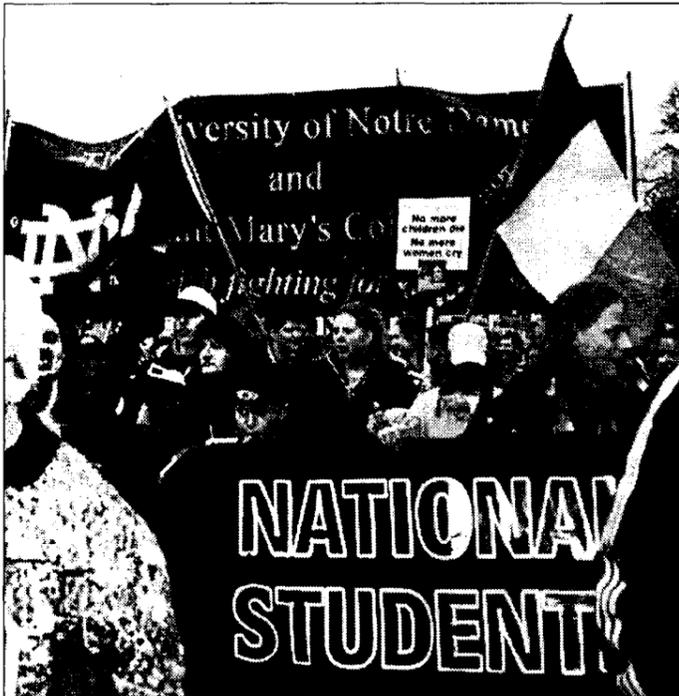
By COLLEEN McCARTHY
Associate News Editor

Approximately 210 students from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's traveled to Washington, D.C., to participate in a national Right-to-Life march and rally that marked the 26th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion.

For one student, attending the march was the start of more extensive involvement in the pro-life movement.

"Being pro-life my whole life, I always wanted to get involved. I wanted to do something to show people how much it means to me," said Jen McEntee, a Notre Dame sophomore. "I think one person can do something. This march marks the beginning of my official pro-life involvement."

The ND/SMC Right to Life Club organized the trip from South Bend, which included a total of five busloads of students. The first bus left Wednesday evening, allowing the students to participate in Thursday's Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception at Catholic University of America. The remaining four buses left Stephan Center Thursday night and arrived in D.C. Friday morning for the rally.



The Observer/Erica Thesing
About 210 students from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's marched from the Ellipse to the Supreme Court in Washington, D.C., Friday as part of the annual March for Life. This year's gathering marked the 26th year of legalized abortion in the United States.

Students who participated in the event went for a variety of reasons, but most agreed it was a powerful experience.

"I decided to go on this trip because I thought it would be an excellent way by going to the nation's capital to raise awareness about abortion, and

perhaps for those thinking about having an abortion to examine those actions," said Jim Wrzosek, a Notre Dame sophomore. "It was an excellent demonstration. I felt we were doing a good thing for the nation."

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Mission work inspires volunteers

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
News Writer

When Karen Furrows remembers her work in Africa, she will recall a series of powerful, lasting yet emotionally jarring images.

Images like caring for an HIV-positive infant who was found abandoned by a toilet, the skin on her face eaten by insects.

But it is those images that fuel Furrows' passion for her work.

"This work helps me realize what I have," she said. "I realize that I go to school every day, and I may get stressed out about my chemistry class, but there are bigger problems than that. It helps me put my life in perspective."

Molly Hodak can relate to the potency of Furrows' experience. Having spent the summer in El Salvador, Hodak is equipped with memories of her own that left a lasting mark.

"One time, I was walking with two girls who were buying bananas and nuts," she recalls. "They bought some for me. It was at least a couple of dollars for them. I thought to myself,

'How often would I buy a stranger a snack?' These people have nothing, but they are always giving."

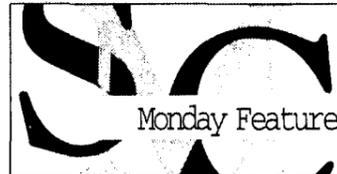
It is these images that put things into perspective for each woman, motivating her to embrace a vocation that is often strenuous and difficult.

Both Hodak and Furrows said they want to pursue some type of missionary work based on the experiences they have encountered so far.

For Furrows, an affinity for missionary work seems hereditary. Her father, a pastor and a professor at the East African School of Theology, had brought Furrows on missions ever since she was a child. Through stints in medical clinics in Chile, Guatemala, and Africa, Furrows decided to incorporate medicine into whatever type of missionary work she chooses to pursue.

"During my summer in Guatemala, I spent the summer working with an American doctor," she said. "We usually went to small villages and announced clinics. In some places, we saw over 600 peo-

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Play of the Mind attendees explore global citizenship

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
Associate News Editor

As this year's Play of the Mind conference at Saint Mary's came to an end Sunday, conference co-chair Patrick White was pleased with the outcome.

Play of the Mind is a conference that includes lectures, discussions and presentations on issues based on the theme of the conference. The goal of the conference is to send participants back to their respective colleges with ideas as to how they can help women both on their campus and outside its confines.

"This year's conference was not the best because it was the biggest, it was because of the discussion," said White, also director of the Center for Academic Innovation at Saint Mary's and associate dean of faculty.

White was pleased with the effectiveness of this year's theme, "Global Citizenship and the Intellectual Life."

"The theme worked very well for generating problems and questions and it worked well for making participants think outside the realm of their campuses. People were being encouraged to think globally but to act locally," White said.

Because the theme was more specific, some schools attending Play of the Mind came well-prepared, improving the quality of discussion, according to White.

"Some schools were thinking and reading about the topic before they even arrived at the conference," he said.

Cindy Traub, a Saint Mary's sophomore and two-time Play of the Mind participant, found much value in the discourse that took place during the conference, which began Thursday.

"I thought it was a good theme and by discussing the qualities of what a global citizen is, it sets up a model for us," she said. "The exchange of ideas is great too. You are able to say to people, 'This is a problem at my school,' and people from other schools are able to give you suggestions on how they dealt with that problem at their school."

Conference organizers also found that the theme generated complicated discussion.

"The issue of citizenship is a complex discussion," said White. "We were able to look at what our rights and responsibilities are as citizens of the world and on our campuses."

Amy Block, a student at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind., a co-ed college, found the discussions thought-provoking.

"The presentations and discussions showed how you can take something so universal, like citizenship, and apply it to daily life to help those around you," said Block.

Another student from St. Joseph's

College, Andrea Batista, agreed.

"I thought it was an interesting topic," said Batista. "It was pretty complicated subject matter but you were able to get ideas out of discussion of things you can do on a local level to help out globally."

White pointed to a comment made by a student at Play of the Mind that summed up the discussions that took place.

"This student said, 'We're not citizens of the world, we're citizens of the world in training,'" said White.

Inviting women from co-educational colleges to participate at the traditionally all women's colleges conference enhanced Play of the Mind, according to White and Georgeanna Rosenbush, co-chair of the conference and director of Student Activities at Saint Mary's.

"Having new schools that hadn't participated before brought more energy to Play of the Mind," said Rosenbush.

White saw the addition of co-ed colleges as a shift in a new direction for the conference.

"Although we weren't celebrating women's colleges as much, we were celebrating differences more than anything and that is something we hadn't planned on," said White. "The representatives from co-ed colleges were very glad to be in this environment and realized there is something special about women's colleges."

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The Observer/Manuela Hernandez
Margaret Roman, professor of English from the College of Saint Elizabeth, was the keynote speaker at the Play of the Mind conference last weekend.

INSIDE COLUMN

On Abortion

In this life, you have to be careful who you agree with.

This weekend, almost 210 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students went to the "March for Life" in Washington, D.C.

And two weeks ago, in Portland, Ore., the owner of a pro-life Web site went on trial.

You may have read about the site, called "The Nuremburg Reference," in a deliberate reference to the World War II war crime trial.

The Web site lists more than 200 doctors who perform abortions, frequently or infrequently, and hundreds of other "abortionists" (clinic workers, police officers assigned to protect clinics, judges who uphold abortion laws, and the families of all these people) who are somehow affiliated with them. People whose names appear on the list are harassed and assaulted. The list has a key at the top: "Active" abortionists have their names in black. "Wounded" abortionists have their names in gray. An abortionist who has been killed has his or her name struck out with a black line.

Dr. Barnett Slepian of Amherst, N.Y., who was killed by a sniper last year, was on the list. Dr. Slepian was not an abortion-clinic doctor. He was an obstetrician.

Doctors whose names appear on the list hide, quit practicing, wear bullet-proof vests. They fear for their lives and their families.

In a perfect world, there would be no abortion. Sex would only occur in meaningful adult relationships and all babies would be wanted.

But it's not a perfect world. Four in ten teen pregnancies end in abortion — 289,000 in 1994. These women are young, scared, helpless. They are one half of a couple that made a mistake — a whopper of a mistake, but a mistake nonetheless. Nobody specifically gets pregnant just to have an abortion.

Banning abortions is a bit like living on a river where dead bodies keep floating down from upstream. We moan and cry and bury the bodies decently. We deal with the situation at hand, and curse whatever it is that causes the bodies to die. But eventually, someone will have to go upstream and see where the bodies are coming from.

And that's what we have to do — go upstream and find out why so many pregnancies are accidental and unwanted, particularly in an era of cheap, available birth control. When we find out, we have to deal with those issues.

Protesting will not stop abortion. Praying Rosaries will not stop abortion. Even legislation will not stop abortion — in the days before it was legal, women sought out shady "doctors" or tried to do it themselves, with such implements as rusty coat hangers.

Killing doctors will certainly not stop abortion. Besides which, Catholics believe that ALL life is sacred from the moment of conception, babies and abortion providers alike.

The only thing that will end abortion is a serious addressing of the issues behind it.

In the meantime, protest if you must, but be careful to whom you lend your voice. Be careful whose words come out of your mouth. Be sure you're not lending your voice and your strength to fanatics like those who maintain the Nuremburg Files.

Babies are dying, but doctors are dying too.

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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Board of Regents balks at sexual orientation clause

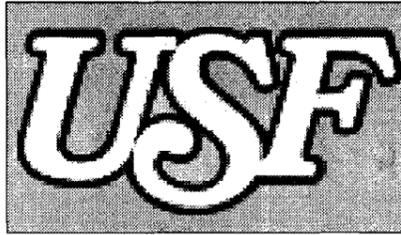
TAMPA, Fla.

When President Betty Castor asked for a state university policy banning sexual-orientation discrimination, she may not have foreseen the controversy it would cause.

Her proposal stalled at last week's Board of Regents meeting, when Chancellor Adam Herbert said it did not have the authority to ban that type of discrimination. Supporters around the state refuse to let it die.

Students and faculty from universities around Florida will trek to the Florida Education Building in Tallahassee Monday to protest the BOR's decision.

R.J. Thompson, co-president of USF's Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Coalition, said he hopes to change the regents' minds. His organization plans to unfurl a large scroll listing more than 300 colleges and universities around the country



that protect against this type of discrimination and lay it on the front steps of the BOR's office.

"We're holding it to help the chancellor and the BOR understand why they can make it happen, even though they say that it is just a legislative matter," Thompson said. "Since it wasn't on their agenda (at last week's meeting), we had no prior knowledge. We could have let our wishes be known then."

At that meeting Jan. 21, Herbert briefly announced that the State

University System did not have legal authority to include sexual orientation as a protected class in anti-discrimination policy language.

"State law is very specific with regard to state agencies and we cannot provide protections that are not specifically authorized by the state Legislature," Herbert said last week.

Regent spokesman Keith Goldschmidt said the BOR could not institute such a policy until the Legislature adopts its own anti-discrimination policy language.

"The Legislature would have to change the law or create the law that would protect sexual orientation, and then we would be able to write our policy off of that," Goldschmidt said.

Thompson said there are several university systems that have enacted similar policies without similar protections in state statutes.

YALE UNIVERSITY

Bizarre photos delay hearing

NEW HAVEN, Conn.

A New Haven judge delayed the hearing of a Yale Graduate School student accused of cheating her way into the Yale Graduate School and failing to appear for a court date. Her attorney asked for the extra time to investigate photographs of Jenkins bound and gagged and an accompanying note seemingly written on Yale stationery. Jenkin's defense attorney, Norman Pattis, said he received the photos by mail late Wednesday night, along with an anonymous letter purportedly from someone at Yale. Pattis said he would not comment on the note but said it appeared to be written on Yale letterhead. "We're investigating," Pattis said, "I don't know what it means." Yale officials said they have not seen the letter but denied the University's involvement in any inappropriate activity. "Any allegation that her application to Yale was truthful or that Yale did anything inappropriate is another fabrication."

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

ID card policy changes after attack

PHILADELPHIA, Penn.

In the wake of concern following the assault of a female student in the basement of Steinberg-Dietrich Hall two and a half months ago, the Division of Public Safety will now require students to wear their PennCards in many campus buildings late at night. The policy begins Monday and will be in effect nightly from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. The eight buildings included in the policy are the Blauhaus, Meyerson Hall, Steinberg-Dietrich, the School of Veterinary Medicine, the McNeil Building, the Moore Building, the Towne Building and Logan Hall. The new policy is in line with an Undergraduate Assembly resolution passed after the assault, which called for increased late-night safety measures across campus. UA Vice Chairperson Michael Bassik said the prominently displayed PennCards will allow "students to recognize students and for security and police officers to also easily recognize students."

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

Electrical fire kills graduate student

MURRAY, Ky.

The cause of the Friday morning fire that took the life of a Murray State graduate student and injured a University employee has been ruled electrical, Murray Fire Chief Pat Scott said. Scott said the fire, which killed Ricardo Garcia-Vidal, 23, of Villareal, Spain, and injured Randy Oeding, 47, of Ferdinand, Ind., was ruled to have been caused by plugs running off an extension cord in the living room by state deputy fire marshals Eddie Clark and Jack Flowers late Friday afternoon. Scott said the investigation is for all intents and purposes over. "The fire marshals are still putting together interviews from the firefighters," he said. "As far as the investigation goes, it is over." The Murray Fire Department received notification of the fire at 2:59 a.m. Friday morning, and the first unit was dispersed to the scene at that time. Oeding probably escaped the house through a side window, Scott said.

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY

New website raises privacy concerns

VILLANOVA, Penn.

Could it be? Does a new web site really exist that displays not only the names but the faces of fellow classmates? On Jan. 10, students returned for the spring semester and discovered the latest rumor: you can preview your classmates discovered via the Internet! The buzz spread quickly and before the day was over, most students and teachers had already utilized this innovation and had much to say about their discoveries. Most students believed the web site to be a positive addition to the new and improved University network. Senior Aly Ward said, "I love the new site. I wish they always had this kind of technology in the past because I loved finding out who's in my classes ahead of time." Professor Belkin of the math department also benefitted from the site. She exclaimed, "I loved having a face to go with each name on my class roster."

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Research team reports possible unknown planet



The Observer/Kevin Dalam Assistant professor of physics David Bennett and his wife, research assistant professor Sun Hong Rhie, used a technique called gravitational microlensing to detect a possible new planet.

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
Assistant News Editor

Two members of the Notre Dame physics department reported the possible discovery of the 18th planet orbiting a star other than the sun, according to a Jan. 11 press release from Notre Dame Public Relations.

Assistant professor of physics David Bennett and his wife, research assistant professor Sun Hong Rhie, announced the findings at the annual American Astronomical Society meeting Jan. 9.

"There are 17 extra-solar planets [that have been] discovered to be orbiting around

'nearby' sun-like stars. 'Nearby' means the backyard of our solar system," said Rhie, who quantified this distance as including a radius of several-hundred light years.

The team, whose members are part of a collaboration called Microlensing Planet Search (MPS), uses a technique called gravitational microlensing to detect these 'extra-solar' planets.

"Gravitational microlensing events occur when a faint or dark star passes very close to the line of sight to a more distant, brighter star," explained a physics department press release. "The light rays from the brighter star are bent by the gravitational field of the closer, fainter star resulting in an observable magnification of the more distant, brighter star."

Bennett said that other techniques were only capable of detecting very large planets. "The radial velocity technique that has discovered the most extra-solar planets to date cannot yet detect a planet with a mass as low as that of Jupiter in a Jupiter-like orbit, although they are sensitive to lower-mass planets that orbit very close to their stars," he said. "Our gravitational microlensing technique is sensitive to lower mass planets."

"Gravitational lensing is the only ground-based method that can find Earth-mass planets around ordinary stars," Rhie said, describing yet another of the technique's advantages.

One limitation is that the method only detects planets relatively close to the stars they orbit.

"The gravitational microlensing planet search technique differs from other planet search techniques in that it is most sensitive to planets at a separation of one to five astronomical units (1 AU is equal to the distance from the sun to the Earth) from their star," explains the physics department statement.

Despite initial data, the group cannot be sure that the observed object is indeed a planet.

"They have made use of the chance alignment of two stars in the inner disk of our galaxy to probe the vicinity of the closer 'lens' star for

planets," according to the physics department release.

But because such an event is so rare (approximately 50 microlensing events occur each year), the discovery must be confirmed within hours or another opportunity may not arise.

"Confirmation must come during the few hours that the event is occurring," said Bennett. "Basically, we have to notify our competition, the PLANET collaboration, when we see something so that they can try to confirm it immediately."

The data could have been verified if observations had been made from South Africa instead of Australia and New Zealand, according to the Notre Dame Public Relations

release. However, the technique does offer some fairly definite conclusions about the mass of the object. What we are very confident of is that this system does not have a planet more massive than Neptune and at a distance between one and five astronomical units from the lens star," said Bennett.

Post-doctorate student Lindsay King and graduate students Jason Quinn and Chris Fragle were involved in the discovery, as well as researchers from the Universities of Washington and Minnesota, and the Mt. Stromlo and Siding Springs Observatory in Australia, according to Bennett. The Microlensing Observations in Astrophysics (MOA) group and the Massive Compact Halo Objects Collaboration (MACHO) also participated.

Bennett and Rhie are also interested in bringing undergraduate physics majors on board to help with observations during the summer of 1999.

Bennett also hopes that technological advances will aid the efforts to discover new planets.

"MPS is attempting to expand from a single 1.5-meter telescope in Australia to a network of three or more 1.5- to 2-meter telescopes in South America, South Africa and Australia," he said. "We are funded to fix up an old 1.5-meter telescope in South Africa, and we are trying to arrange to use some telescopes in Chile as well."

"We are also working in collaboration with some other groups with complementary interests to develop a new set of cameras that can efficiently image in multiple colors and correct for some of the image distortions caused by the atmosphere and telescope vibrations," Bennett continued. "When the expanded system is up and running, it is expected that many of the observers will be Notre Dame undergraduates."

The event has been named MACHO-98-BLG-35, which refers to the fact that it is the 35th microlensing event discovered by the MACHO group in the area of the Galactic Bulge in 1998, according to Notre Dame Public Relations. MPS receives funding from the National Science Foundation, NASA's Origins Program, and a Research Innovation Award from The Research Collaboration, according to the Physics Department.

'GRAVITATIONAL LENSING IS THE ONLY GROUND-BASED METHOD THAT CAN FIND EARTH-MASS PLANETS AROUND ORDINARY STARS.'

SUN HONG RHIE
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March

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Notre Dame senior John Musewicz attended the march not only because he supports the pro-life movement but because he wanted the experience of the march.

"I heard it was a great experience. It took some sacrifice. You meet great people and it was a great experience to see it happen," said Musewicz. "In some ways it was kind of overwhelming. It was powerful to see how many people were there, how dedicated they are.

He added, "I also saw how pained people are about the

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Traub had mixed emotions about the addition of co-ed schools.

"I appreciated the fact that two of the schools attending, Hope and Olivet Colleges, were from our MIAA [Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association] conference. The co-ed colleges added a different perspective," she said. "Sometimes I wished there were just representatives from all women's colleges there to discuss issues like increasing school spirit. Students at women's colleges just have a different perspective on some topics that those at co-ed schools who may not have to deal with the same issues."

Block, who was represent-

issue, to a degree I didn't expect. I think going into it I hadn't sorted the issue completely out in my head. This helped that."

Being with other Christians was a moving experience for Meghan Gurgol, a Notre Dame sophomore.

"I just wanted to go based on principle," she said. "As college students we have responsibility and it's important to take some steps to show that. I've sensed a real community on the trip. The first thing that struck me was a sense of Christian unity. It didn't matter that the people next to me were Episcopalian. I pray that's the way things are going."

ing a co-ed institution, was not sure how she would be received upon arrival at the conference.

"At first I wasn't sure how we would be accepted because we were from a co-ed college but I felt very accepted," she said.

Stacey Lazenby, director of Student Activities at St. Joseph's College, was pleased to have had the opportunity to participate in the conference.

"I think more co-ed colleges should take advantage of this opportunity in years to come," said Lazenby.

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ple."

The impact of those clinics amazed her.

"At one clinic, we had packed up all of our medical supplies, were in the car, and were ready to go," she said. "A woman stopped us and said that she had been traveling for two days to get there. Their medical care was very primitive, very sub-U.S. standard."

She also said the experience taught her the importance of giving.

"People are very appreciative," she said. "Medicine is a good tool

to introduce people to God. I love being able to help people."

While Hodak had no family ties to missionary work, she always knew it was something that she wanted to explore.

"Ever since I came to Saint Mary's, I knew that I wanted to work in Latin America," she said. After taking the El Salvador pilgrimage during her spring break, she received an invitation to work there for the summer.

"I knew that was where I needed to be," she said.

Hodak's summer work involved teaching English to students ages 12-18, something that taught her not only the importance of giving, but of learning as well, she said.

"I worked with another teacher,

and observed how he taught," she said. "In one way it was good because I was confident enough with my English that I could share it with them. But as much as I helped them with their English, they helped me with my Spanish. We were able to learn from each other."

Hodak also worked in a bakery and an organic garden, something she says was not to give of herself, but to learn a way of life different than her own.

"For me, it was about solidarity," she said. "These women taught me how to bake bread and plant seeds. I wanted to learn what their lives were like. It's hard. They work in the bakery for \$50 per month, or 13 cents an hour."

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Student Government

Assist with the Student Report to the Board of Trustees

This report is the only direct contact that students have with the Board of Trustees. In the report, students make recommendations to the Trustees for further action. Previous reports have ranged in topic from social space to multi-cultural, academic, and financial issues. Last semester's report, "Building Bridges: The First Year of Studies and Beyond," opened a constructive dialogue between the students and the Trustees.

It's time now to continue to foster and open dialogue between you and the Trustees. If you have either ideas or the drive to assist in the upcoming **Spring 1999 Board of Trustees Report**, please attend the informational/planning meeting **TONIGHT (MONDAY)** at 9:00 pm in the Student Government Office. For more information, please contact Mark Massoud at 243-5567.

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■ WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Thousands mourn assassinated leader

SHOR KOT, Pakistan
Thousands of mourners wailed and cried during Sunday's burial of a prominent Shiite Muslim leader, who was shot dead a day earlier in the latest spate of violence in Pakistan's eastern Punjab province. Pir Sahaba Sultan and four of his supporters were killed by gunmen on motorcycles outside his home in Shor Kot, 85 miles southeast of the Punjab capital of Lahore. The mourners, beating their chests and faces, shouted for an immediate arrest of Sultan's killers. Dozens of heavily armed policemen guarded the funeral procession of 6,000 people as it passed through the narrow dusty lanes of Shor Kot. Hundreds more people watched from the rooftops. The bodies of Sultan's four supporters were sent to their hometowns in other parts of the province.

Scientists link gene with smoking addictions

Scientists have identified another gene that might affect how vulnerable a person is to cigarette addiction. The finding may help researchers develop new ways to stop smoking. Having a certain form of the gene makes it easier to kick the habit, or perhaps to avoid getting hooked in the first place, two studies suggest. But that apparent influence is modest "This is just one small piece of the puzzle" of what influences smoking behavior, said psychologist Caryn Lerman, an author of one of the studies. Lerman is director of cancer genetics at the Lombardi Cancer Center of Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington.

Jet test kills mechanic

MIAMI
Three weeks before his retirement, a 71-year-old airplane mechanic died when he was crushed by the wing slat of a Boeing 727. Juan Gonzalez, a worker with an airplane maintenance company, was repairing the jet's wing Saturday at Miami International Airport when a crew began conducting tests on the same plane. Police said the other crew inspected the airplane owned by delivery company DHL to make sure no one was in the way. When they tested the wing slat, which lets pilots control the jet's speed, it crushed Gonzalez. An investigation, with help from the National Transportation Safety Board, was not yet complete. Preliminary findings indicated the death was accidental, said police Detective Brett Nichols.

■ MEXICO

Papal visit draws a million to racetrack

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MEXICO CITY

A million faithful packed a dusty Mexico City racetrack Sunday to hear a call to arms from Pope John Paul II—a summons to take to the streets and confront the challenge of Protestant evangelism.

The papal Mass was a powerful display of the aging pontiff's spell over this predominantly Roman Catholic nation. "Mexico, always faithful!" chanted the crowd, intent on showing the pope that their affection hasn't diminished since his first trip here in 1979.

Organizers estimated the crowd at one million, and thousands more listened from outside the packed racetrack grounds. Parishioners perched on sagging tree branches, stood on friends' shoulders or clambered onto loudspeaker stands to view the spectacle.

Thousands of makeshift cardboard periscopes poked above the crowd so that those toward the back of the track, nearly a mile from the altar, could catch a glimpse of the pope.

John Paul urged his audience to ignore the seductions of what he called "fallacious and novel ideologies" and to spread the word of the church—a central theme of his visit, in which he has called upon his followers to aggressively combat significant inroads made by Protestantism.

"Don't fail to respond to the Master who calls. Follow him to become, like the apostles, fishers of men," the pontiff declared.

"Make Christ's word reach those who still do not know him. Have the courage to bear witness to the gospel on the streets and in the town squares, in the valleys and mountains of this nation!"

Few in the crowd complained about the cold, the overflowing portable toilets or the mounds of trash. "It's worth it. To see the pope, anything is worth the sacrifice," said Miguel Duran, a 19-year-old student who peered into a periscope fashioned from a box of crackers and a mirror.

Later Sunday, the pope consoled patients at the Adolfo Lopez Mateos Hospital, a large public institution for state employees in southern Mexico City.

Mothers held their ailing children over a velvet rope in the lobby, and the pope embraced many of them and



Pope John Paul II embraces a young Mexican girl after giving her communion during a mass at the Hermanos Rodriguez motor racing track in Mexico City on Sunday. AFP Photo

blessed others before going to the fourth floor to meet privately with patients with AIDS, cancer and other terminal illnesses.

"You are never alone in the face of the mystery of pain. You are with Christ, who gives meaning to everything in life, to the moments of happiness and peace, as well as the moments of affliction and pain," the pope said in a message read for him by a cardinal.

The Mass at the racetrack was the biggest event in the pope's five-day trip

to Mexico, which has a special relationship with the pontiff rooted in a shared veneration for the country's patron saint, the Virgin of Guadalupe. An image of the virgin hung above the altar.

Hundreds of people arrived days before the Mass, and hundreds of thousands shivered in temperatures that plunged to 23 degrees overnight. The pilgrims were asked to stand at 5:30 a.m. to makeroom for the growing crowd.

House prosecutors question Lewinsky

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At a critical juncture in President Clinton's impeachment trial, House prosecutors interviewed Monica Lewinsky for almost two hours on Sunday and asserted her testimony would help the Senate "determine the truth."

The House team focused on issues at the heart of obstruction of justice allegations against Clinton, according to a source familiar with the interview—the job search for Ms. Lewinsky and retrieval of presidential gifts for the former intern.

The session triggered partisan convulsions even before it was held and by Sunday morning, even three Republican senators said they wanted a swift end to the case. Two of them expressed hope for a conclusion this

week.

When the interview ended, Ms. Lewinsky's lawyer, Plato Cacheris, said she "added nothing to the record that is already sitting before the Senate right now."

Yet all three House managers who participated in the interview called the session productive.

"I believe she would be a witness that would help them determine the truth, and that's what we are all endeavoring to do during this process," said Rep. Asa Hutchinson, R-Ark. Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., said Ms. Lewinsky "might be a very helpful witness to the Senate if called." Rep. Ed Bryant, R-Tenn., characterized the former White House intern as "impressive."

Cacheris said his client "was candid, forthright and extremely truthful" but he insisted that anything she would

tell the Senate would cover familiar ground. He urged the managers to tell their colleagues that it is unnecessary to call Ms. Lewinsky as a witness, so that her "long nightmare" could end.

The three congressmen were especially interested in presidential friend Vernon Jordan's effort to find a job for Ms. Lewinsky and in Oval Office secretary Betty Currie's retrieval of Clinton's gifts to Ms. Lewinsky, said the source, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Prosecutors contend the job search and the gift retrieval were undertaken to thwart lawyers for Paula Jones, who wanted Ms. Lewinsky to testify in the Jones civil lawsuit and also subpoenaed the presidential gifts. The White House denies any connection between the Jones case, on the one hand, and the job hunt and the gift transfer on the other.

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Academia returns to focus of beauty in literature

By MIKE ROMANCHEK
News Writer

Some humanities professors are moving away from the popular trend of cultural analysis in literary studies and have begun devoting their time to exploring beauty in literature.

Exploring aesthetics in literary studies is not a new concept. But for nearly half a century, cultural analysis has been the dominant theme of many literary academics who have been influenced by the political activism of their time.

But recently, interest in cultural analysis has been waning.

"Right now politics is very popular and I think that there is a tendency on the part of many academics to be reductive, in that everything reduces itself to a question of politics or power," said Thomas Werge, professor of English at Notre Dame. "The reason there is this wearying in cultural studies is simply that it can be too reductive. It assumes everything can be reduced to power and that simply is not true."

Politics and power can only relate to human lives in a few distinctly social dimensions. Some proponents of deductive cultural analysis claim that power and politics can be discovered at the root of most literature, but Werge disagrees.

"We know that not to be true, not everything is reducible to

power and politics," he emphasized. "Religious faith is important in its own terms, aesthetics is an important consideration and relationships are important."

Werge believes that part of the problem with addressing aesthetics in literature is that people have a tendency to separate beauty from its traditional content of truth and goodness.

"There is still a tendency to argue that beauty is whatever people think it is, and that it is totally in the eye of the beholder — there is no metaphysical beauty, there is no transcendent beauty and so then the very word becomes diminished and trivialized," said Werge.

One advantage aesthetics has over cultural analysis and deduction, according to Werge, is that beauty is experienced by all human beings and is therefore present in every human life.

"Academia tends to be very trendy so you'll have periods in which concern [for the aesthetic] seems to be rejected all together and people are uninterested in it or cynical about the very idea," Werge said. "But I think under the surface we always have reminders that there are certain experiences and objects of phenomena which are beautiful."

While there are no set guidelines for defining aesthetic standards in literature, people's shared experiences create a universal idea of beauty.

"Obviously different cultures

have varied views of aesthetics, of what might constitute beauty in a certain context," said Werge. "But I think ultimately one could argue that there is a universality, the experiences we all hold important, always birth, always

marriage and death are accompanied by ritual. They are acknowledged everywhere as vitally important moments in one's life."

Aesthetics can be found at the root of literature and the same

beauty that links readers to literature can be found in the experiences of everyday life.

"Part of the reason people go into literature is because they find stories to be beautiful," said Werge.

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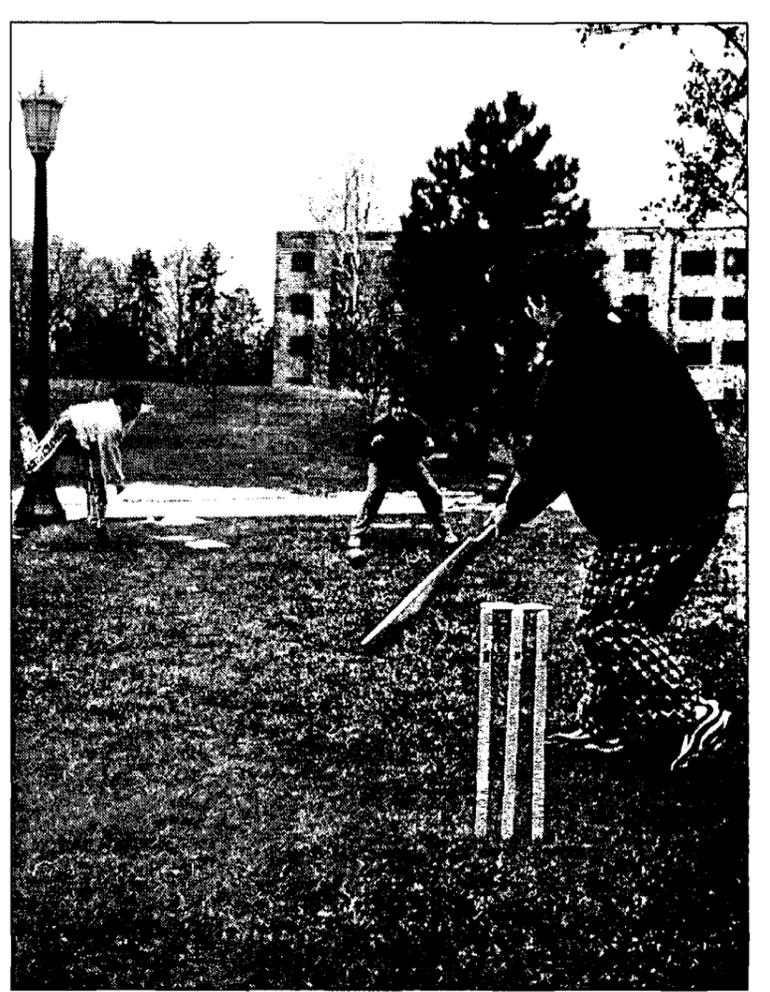
The Knights of Columbus continue its lecture series for the Spring semester entitled "Faith and Reason at Notre Dame." These lectures will run on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Building on South Quad.

The series was sparked by the new encyclical written by Pope John Paul II on Faith and Reason.

Throughout the semester, various lectures will explore papal encyclicals dating back to Leo XIII, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and also the role of Catholic universities in America. Lectures are drawn from professors at Notre Dame as well as Bishop John D'Arcy of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese. According to Grand Knight Benjamin Evans, "We want to provide a forum for discussing these

faith issues here at Notre Dame. They are all presented in a casual setting and all students and faculty are encouraged to attend."

According to Knights of Columbus Lecturer Gerry Olinger, "These are evenings for those interested in exploring their faith, in a relaxed and reflective atmosphere." Refreshments will be served after all the lectures.



The Observer/Joe Stark

Juniors Tom Weiler, Nick Burns and Pat Nolan gathered outside Knott Hall Sunday afternoon for a game of cricket. In cricket, one player bowls the ball toward the wicket, which is in the center of the photo, while another player uses the bat in an attempt to stop the ball from hitting the wicket.

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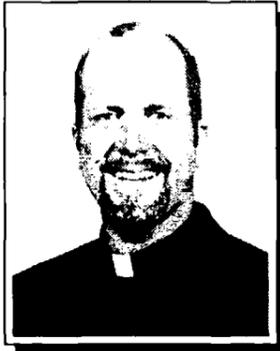
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■ UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

America Has too Many Hangovers, and It's the Puritans' Fault

(U-WIRE) CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

Let me explain. I've just returned from Britain, where I spent last semester soaking up the culture, so to speak.

I studied at the University of Wales at Swansea, a smallish public university in western Britain. The first week of class, every academic department held an afternoon social, where students got the chance to mingle with professors. Wine and beer were in great abundance. Before long students and professors alike were trashed. And nobody thought it was strange.

Although it's not uncommon for professors here to hold the last class of a semester at a campus bar, I've never heard of any University department supplying liquor

to students on campus, at a University function. If it's not against official University

policy, I'm sure it would be frowned upon. It was only the first time I realized that though we share much with Western Europe, our attitudes toward alcohol differ dramatically.

The University of Wales also owns and operates four pubs on campus, much as the University owns and operates the housing cafeterias and special restaurants in the dorms. Two of these bars are in the student union and one is in a dorm. Between lectures, students drop by for a quick pint before their next class. And there is nothing wrong with it. British students do not feel like they are getting away with something for drinking a pint of Guinness before an afternoon class.

While the University of Wisconsin at Madison and a few other American campuses serve alcohol, they are certainly the exception. You would never hear that the University board of trustees debating a plan to sponsor a student bar.

The difference, of course, is that in most European nations, drinking is much more a part of the religious, cultural and familial traditions. In Britain, the drinking age is 18, although 16-year-olds can order an alcoholic beverage at a bar as long as it is ordered with a meal. The police seldom enforce the law, either. I never once saw a bar bust. Fake IDs are unnecessary. A British friend told me of the first time he ordered a drink at a pub — he was 11.

Consequently, virtually all British freshmen arrive on campus already knowing how to handle their liquor. For American students, freshman year and alcohol experimentation usually go hand-in-hand. Alcohol becomes a potent symbol of freedom from parents, of rebellion. Ardent drinkers build pyramids out of empty cans. People brag about how much Jaeger they drank, or how much they vomited last night.

Alcohol has been demonized in the U.S. A certain stigma has been attached to alcohol use, and consequently quite a bit of temptation. The more our culture tries to demonize alcohol, the more tempting it becomes. We have invested alcohol with tremendous social and moral implications. This anxiety about alcohol doesn't keep us from drinking, though. We just think we're crossing a moral boundary when we do it.

One study actually found that Europeans report fewer hangovers than Americans. The study's conclusion: Americans feel unconsciously guilty after

a night of drinking and punish themselves with hangovers.

All this worry about alcohol has accomplished very little — our rates of alcoholism are right on target with Europe. Most scientists agree that alcoholism is a physiological disorder, one that strikes despite attempts at repressing it. And just as prohibition benefited organized crime, the demonization of alcohol might have worsened the problems we associate with alcohol. The more off-limits alcohol is, the more trouble we get into when we drink.

For example, while college students everywhere binge drink, no one does it as much as American students. And the rates of date-rape, drunk driving and

alcohol-related crime are higher among us than our European counterparts. The U.S. has 164

support groups like Alcoholics Anonymous per million citizens. The U.K. has only 51 groups per million, despite the fact that they have just as many alcoholics. We just worry more.

I'm not denying that alcohol is a killer. Every hour, two Americans die in drunk driving accidents. That's almost 350 deaths — as many as would die in a 747 crash — every week. Families, careers and lives are destroyed by alcoholism.

But America seems to be particularly sensitive to alcohol's dark side. Per capita, we spend more money, time and energy on combatting the ravages of alcohol abuse than any other nation. Our laws punish underage drinking more than any other Western nation. And yet we have just as many alcoholics, more drunk drivers and more hangovers.

Why?

A study released in 1997 measured the cultural differences of alcohol consumption among Western nations. The study, by American psychologist Stanton Peele, was published in the medical journal *Alcohol and Alcoholism*. The study found a link between the influence of the Protestant faith and the stigmatization of alcohol. Countries like ours, which have a strong protestant heritage, stigmatize alcohol to a greater degree than Catholic nations. Nations without this puritanical bent tend to accept alcohol use as a familial and religious tradition, whereas we are more likely to link alcohol with negative, self-destructive motives. Consequently, we have more support groups dedicated to alcoholism.

In countries like Ireland, Spain, Italy and France, where Roman Catholicism has always dominated, the average per capita consumption of alcohol is almost twice that of the U.S. Yet the U.S. has more than 20 times the number of alcohol-related support groups as France.

So it seems that our demonization of alcohol has been counterproductive. Who started this trend? I think we have to blame the Puritans — our high-minded forefathers. They wanted a "city on the hill" and I get a hangover instead.

David Klepper is a columnist for the Daily Illini at the University of Illinois. This column originally appeared in the Daily Illini on Jan. 22 and has been reprinted here courtesy of the U-Wire. He can be reached at di@illinimedia.com.

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

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Kudos for Keeping Campus Passable Despite Snow

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people who are responsible for keeping the Notre Dame Campus passable during the past snow storms. I believe that they deserve a real round of applause for their efforts. There never was a day on which a person could not traverse the campus. Again, Thank you!

Jerome J. Meyer, C.S.C.
January 24, 1999

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Iraq's Threat to Israel is Adequate Reason for Alliance with U.S.

On Jan. 18, The Observer published a letter to the editor by Joseph E. Valley, M. A., alongside a column by Fr. Malloy exhorting the Notre Dame community to "prepare the next generation of leaders for a society that struggles with notions of integrity, honesty and honor." Mr. Valley's letter, entitled "Israel Alliance with U.S. heading for Disaster," was intended as a commentary on the involvement of U.S. troops in Iraq. However, in his

attempt to criticize U.S. foreign policy, Mr. Valley did not act with "integrity, honesty and honor" but rather proceeded to write an anti-Israel diatribe that was offensive and anti-Semitic.

Mr. Valley writes that the Babylonian captivity resulted from Israel's hardness of heart, which was manifest in the "rebellious and demon worshipping [sic] Israel who had decided to rely on a military alliance with Egypt rather than repent and accept the God-ordered punishment of captivity." Mr. Valley considers that modern Israel remains "stiff-necked" and, instead of repenting, has aligned herself to the U.S., since she "stubbornly believes that there is no need to repent of sins such as abortion." To Mr. Valley, the sole purpose for bombing Iraq was to provide "emotional security to Israel."

As a dual-citizen of the United States and of Israel, I am in a unique position to consider both the importance of the United States' position as a world leader as well as the dangers posed to Israel by her hostile neighbors. Modern Israel, the country and its people that Mr. Valley labels "rebellious and demon worshipping," is one of my homes: it is the land where my father was born; it is the land where my mother's parents, weary refugees from Nazi Germany, emigrated after World War Two; it is the land that my uncle died defending in the 1967 war (the Six-Day War); it is the land where my grandmothers, my uncle and aunt, and my many cousins live; it is the land in which I and my parents lived until we permanently moved to New York in 1977. But Israel is more than that: Eretz'

Israel is the land that God gave to the children of Israel, beginning at the time of Abraham. After the long, intolerable enslavement in Egypt, the children of Israel returned to the Promised Land. In the last prophecy before Moses' death, we read "And the Lord said to him; this is the land of which I swore to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.'" (Deut. 34:4). Jerusalem, the capital city, is a Holy City not only for

Jews, but for Christians and Muslims as well.

Since 1948, Israel has been a modern state: a homeland to the Jewish people. Created in the aftermath of the Holocaust, Israel is a haven for Jews living in the Diaspora. The Law of Return states that any Jew, regardless of his country of citizenship, may return to live in Israel. In the aftermath of the collapse of the Soviet Union, the State of Israel

has absorbed over 500,000 Russian Jews into a country approximately the size of Rhode Island.

Israel, as a modern state, certainly has its problems. While Mr. Valley has every right to express his opinion about U.S. military policy in the Viewpoint section of the newspaper, I vehemently object to his prejudicial and offensive statements about both Modern and Ancient Israel. My grandmother could tell Mr. Valley about the nights she spent during the Gulf War in a sealed room clutching her gas-mask. Believe me, Iraq is more than an "emotional" threat to the Israeli people. Furthermore, I wonder what type of statement Mr. Valley is making about 19th-century American society when he writes about the "God-ordered punishment of captivity" (i.e. the enslavement of the Ancient Israelites in Egypt). Surely he is not complying with what Fr. Malloy refers to as the "deep Christian commitment to the pursuit of truth, which in faith is seen as connected to the search for the living God."

Edna Ruth Yahil,
graduate student, history
January 19, 1999

'WHILE MR. VALLEY HAS EVERY RIGHT TO EXPRESS HIS OPINION ABOUT U.S. MILITARY POLICY IN THE VIEWPOINT SECTION OF THE NEWSPAPER, I VEHEMENTLY OBJECT TO HIS PREJUDICIAL AND OFFENSIVE STATEMENTS ABOUT BOTH MODERN AND ANCIENT ISRAEL.'

Shakespearean tradition wins in '90s

"Shakespeare in Love"

Director: John Madden

Starring: Joseph Fiennes, Gwyneth Paltrow, Judi Dench, Ben Affleck and Geoffrey Rush



(Out of five shamrocks)

By JOE LARSON
Scene Movie Critic

Being the academically inclined student body we are here at Notre Dame, you would think that everyone would be giddy with excitement about anything having to do with William Shakespeare, even if it is a fictional movie with Gwyneth Paltrow and Ben Affleck.

I know most of you out there would rather watch a documentary or a biography of the world's most famous writer, but I guess you will just have to settle for one of the most creative and well-written plots ever seen in a movie. If ever there was something that could demolish all the fear that goes along with the thought of actually reading Shakespeare, it is the film "Shakespeare in Love."

We've all, at one time or another, seen a Shakespearean movie and felt like we couldn't completely understand the language or relate to characters in such an ancient setting. Even the recent "William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet," which was an attempt to bring the timeless tragedy up-to-date, seemed lacking in many ways — for instance, Romeo is not Leonardo DiCaprio with a gun and a Hawaiian shirt.

"Shakespeare In Love" is the first Shakespearean movie I've seen where I actually wanted to read Shakespeare after I saw it. It makes the classic story understandable for a '90s audience, but

still holds true to the period in which the story was meant to take place.

"Shakespeare In Love" is the story of a struggling playwright needing to write a play. The playwright is William Shakespeare and the play turns out to be "Romeo and Juliet."

We follow the Bard, played by Joseph Fiennes, on his journey through writing the best play in the history of

plays. If you've ever read "Romeo and Juliet," which I'm guessing most of you have, you know that it is an incredibly powerful love story with a painfully tragic ending. After reading it, you have to wonder what would inspire such an incredible play. That's what "Shakespeare In Love" tries to explain.

It was fascinating to watch the occurrences in Shakespeare's life which correlated to "Romeo and Juliet." If you've ever tried to write something creative and taken ideas from your own life, you know you need something you care about if you're going to write anything good. In "Shakespeare In Love," the inspiration is Viola De Lessups, played by Gwyneth Paltrow, an aristocratic woman who has been promised to another man. She, disguised as a boy, auditions for a part in Shakespeare's new play, and gets it.

Well, our playwright figures out Viola's secret and falls in love with her. From his affair with Viola he gets the inspiration to turn his teetering play into "Romeo and Juliet."

Paltrow is absolutely spellbinding in a

part that had to be perfect. She had to be the type of woman that could inspire something as powerful as "Romeo and Juliet." She was the perfect mix of beauty, intelligence and humor. After watching this movie, it's not hard to understand how a woman like her character could inspire a love story so powerful. If you don't believe an 18-year old guy that Gwyneth Paltrow is amazing, maybe you should consider that she is highly touted for a Best Actress nod at the "Academy Awards."

In fact, "Shakespeare In Love" is a front-runner for earning the most Oscar

Love" is also a shoo-in for nominations in art direction and costumes.

Another potential nomination for Best Supporting Actress could go to Dame Judi Dench for her scene-stealing portrayal of Queen Elizabeth. She looks like she belongs in "Star Trek" with the ridiculous makeup and outfits she wears, but she delivers in every scene where she appears.

Fiennes has an outside shot at a nomination for his depiction of the overly neurotic and love-stricken Bard. Even though his Oscar hype isn't quite the same as Paltrow's, he does deliver a great performance of a man inspired by love to create one of the greatest works of literature written.

Other supporting actors include Ben Affleck as an egotistical actor and friend of Shakespeare. Also, Geoffrey Rush ("Shine") plays a nervous theatre company owner whose theatre has just stumbled upon a masterpiece that will be remembered for all time.

"Shakespeare In Love" is not just a period piece about Victorian times, either. This is a great love story. If you are scared off by all the "arts" and "thous," you will still be mesmerized by the plotline that gracefully places two people together and then mercilessly wrenches them apart.

Even if you know nothing about Shakespeare, you will be able to appreciate the story of two star-crossed lovers and their quest to find happiness and a place for each other in their lives. Does this mean that "Romeo and Juliet" and

"Shakespeare In Love" follow similar plotlines? I can't tell you that. You'll just have to go see the movie yourself. I promise you will not be disappointed.

In fact, you may even find yourself heading over to the library and checking out Shakespearean plays to read, for fun.



Photo courtesy of Miramax
Gwyneth Paltrow (left) and Joseph Fiennes star in "Shakespeare in Love."

nominations this year. Director John Madden was nominated last year for "Mrs. Brown" and will probably receive another nomination here. Tom Stoppard and Marc Norman also should get a nomination for their thought-provoking and original screenplay. "Shakespeare In

Film Festival had highs and lows...

10th Annual Student Film Festival

Featuring films by students of the Department of Film, Television and Theater



(Out of five shamrocks)

By VAN GILES
Scene Movie Critic

This past Friday and Saturday the Department of Film, Television and Theatre held the 10th annual Notre Dame Student Film Festival at the Snite Museum. There were two screenings each night, with a sell-out at each screening. The production is a compilation of 16 short films ranging from two to 14 minutes. The show had a total running time of 98 minutes.

Before the screening, the audience was treated to a verbal introduction to the shorts by the head instructor of the department, Jill Goodwin. A brief but highly enjoyable segment about the history of the N.D. Student Film Festival opened the festival. The crowd was in hysterics over this portion as it represented the best student films of the past years.



Photo courtesy of Department of Film, Television and Theater
Pictured above is a scene from the pointless film, "Incomplete Film about Abuse."

The opening film, "We Walk Out of Our House," was a seven-minute short piece that followed an ordinary businessman from his house to his job. The piece showed the way things could be and the way things are. "Fish Story" was a clever film about human nature. Shot in black and white, we see a well-dressed man (played by Aaron Osland) fishing off a bridge. Before long he is caught on a line, as a fish would be on his

line, and the audience is given a clever message to ponder.

"Moment" is a truly imaginative movie directed by Ryan Lutterbach and Shakti Chopra and shot in BetaSP. Made up of photograph stills, the audience is able to

read the thoughts of the expressive faces in the pictures. Every character has a thought and it leads to a truly humorous experience about all the opinions people have, if only for a moment.

"Incomplete Film about Abuse" was just that — completely incomplete. It recorded the point of view of a pre-pubescent boy and his outlook on his two abusive parents.

"Ramona's Roses" was a delightfully clever short film about a couple of small con grifters and their irresistibility. Shot in Super 8 and directed by Tom Hartmann, this film was a big crowd favorite. The student film-makers captivated the attention of its audience as everyone laughed hysterically.

"The Seeds" had an opening that looked promising but unfortunately faded off into an ending that could not be grasped.

"Libido," directed by Pete Byrne and Jamie Berzai, was another hit as it showed the simplistic and childish behavior of two middle-aged gentlemen involved in a most serious game of chess.

"We Apologize" was the '90s takeoff of an ancient Greek tragedy that left something to be desired. Ben Savage's "Minimum Wage Wrangler" was a hilarious film about a Meijer employee who loves his work so much that he will dramatically do anything to take care of the shopping carts he is sworn to protect.

"Big White Box" is an amusing piece about the seriousness surrounding recsports, especially raquetball at the Knute Rockne Gym.

"National Pastime" was another black and white short shot in 16 millimeter, showing the inner child of an older gentleman whose days on the baseball field of dreams can only be recalled through

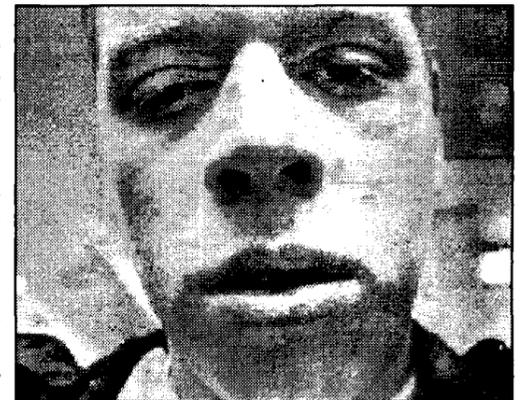


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The finale to the Student Film Festival was Jeff Spoonhower's and Denis Hurley's mockumentary, "Ryan Victor's Senior Thesis."

his memories and imagination. The final and longest film, "Ryan Victor's Senior Thesis" portrays a comical interview with a student film-maker. Directed by Jeff Spoonhower and Denis Hurley, we see the actor/director's comical outlook on roommates, bathrooms, love and relationships.

The film festival was a great night out, and a cheap way to see the hardwork and dedication of N.D.'s film students.

The encore and final showing is tonight at 7:30 p.m. The 11th annual Student Film Festival will take place, of course, next year. Make your plans now!

VIDEO GAME PICK OF THE WEEK



Systems: Playstation
PC

Creators: 989 Studios
Red Zone Interactive

Last year's best-selling football video game is back!

By C.R. TEODORO
Scene Writer

For those enthusiastic fans who are into NFL Football from the seats of their own rooms, you can now experience the NFL all year long. Last year's best selling sports game has come back with a new version for 1999, and the results are not disappointing.

Red Zone Interactive Inc. and 989 Studios have developed *NFL GameDay 99*, a football game for the Playstation and PC that rivals other football games such as *Madden NFL 99*, *NFL Xtreme* and *NFL Blitz*. Though it may not have the flair as arcade games *Xtreme* and *Blitz*, it more than makes up for it in realism and superior game play.

Even if you are not a sports video fanatic, you can still find the game worth your money to play in your dorm room with all your buds. With Multi Tap adaptability, up to eight players can play at the same time. Even though this could definitely mean very chaotic gameplay, your friends do not have to wait for your game to be over to play.

All the teams, updated stadiums and over 500 plays are included in this game, adding an individual realism to the game no matter who, where or what you play. Offensive and defensive schemes designed and used by real NFL players are at your control to use and

abuse your opponent. Even in the season mode, records for both teams and individuals are kept and maintained throughout the whole season. Options for the weather can be chosen to affect gameplay. The injuries option during play can also put in an additional sense of risk.

The graphics of *GameDay 99* were realistically made from the motion capture of All-Pro athletes. Lifelike detail was attended to in the making of this game. The motions of the players are very fluid and details can be seen clearly such as names and numbers on uniforms. Even the helmets are well done. Subtle details around the playing

field just add to the feel of an actual NFL stadium.

Audio effects are well done in the game, from the crunch of the tackle to the cheering of the crowds. Even the color commentary from the recorded voices of Dick Enberg and Phil Simms add to the television style presentation. Of course, the commentators do get a bit annoying after a while, but that is easily remedied by simply hitting the on button of your stereo system.

GameDay 99 arguably can boast of its superior game control over other football games. Depending on your skill level, you can use the simulation option or go for total control. Spins, stiff-arms, shoulder charges, hurdling, diving tackles and jumping deflections are just some of the things you are capable of doing. Passing is no problem in this game, even maybe a little too easy. A strong passing game makes an extremely difficult challenge to the defender, since the receivers seem to catch almost anything and do not drop the ball often.

Rushing has been toned down from the previous game, but with practice and use of special moves like sidestepping you can go all the way running the ball. Defense is also good and easy to learn by simply picking up the controller. Again, practice and time help develop the mastery of all the techniques available.

There are a few problems evident in this video game, but these are mostly from a technical view than from a gameplay view. Players can sometimes occupy the same space, allowing you to run through one of your own teammates.

Overall, you could play this game for hours on end. This is definitely a sports game to get for the Playstation in your section's quad where everyone one can get a piece of the action. Superior gameplay, excellence graphics, NFL realism and even the cheerleader reward at the end of the game make *NFL GameDay 99* a contender this year against all other football video games.

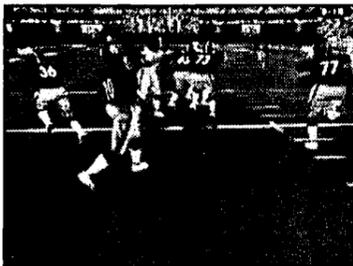


Photo courtesy of 989 Studios
GameDay 99 looks to dominate the video game market in 1999 as it did in 1998.

CHART-TOPPERS



Photo courtesy of Paramount Pictures

"Varsity Blues" made it to the head of the class for the second straight week, beating out newcomer "Gloria," which grossed a meager \$2.1 million. James Van Der Beek, of "Dawson's Creek" fame, is the star of this coming-of-age football drama.

Top Ten Weekend at the Box Office

| Movie Title | Gross Sales |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Varsity Blues | \$ 10.6 million |
| 2. Patch Adams | \$ 8.1 million |
| 3. A Civil Action | \$ 7.6 million |
| 4. The Thin Red Line | \$ 5.8 million |
| 5. Stepmom | \$ 5.2 million |
| 6. At First Sight | \$ 4.9 million |
| 7. You've Got Mail | \$ 4.2 million |
| 8. The Prince of Egypt | \$ 3.6 million |
| 8. Shakespeare in Love | \$ 3.6 million |
| 10. A Simple Plan | \$ 3.4 million |

Source: Associated Press

Top Ten Last Week's Video Rentals

| Movie Title |
|---------------------------|
| 1. The Negotiator |
| 2. Lethal Weapon 4 |
| 3. Blade |
| 4. The Mask of Zorro |
| 5. Six Days, Seven Nights |
| 6. Dr. Dolittle |
| 7. Armageddon |
| 8. Out of Sight |
| 9. Sliding Doors |
| 10. The Avengers |



Source: Billboard

Top Ten Last Week's Video Sales

| Movie Title |
|-----------------------------|
| 1. Armageddon |
| 2. The Wedding Singer |
| 3. Dr. Dolittle |
| 4. The Mask of Zorro |
| 5. Titanic |
| 6. Austin Powers |
| 7. The Parent Trap |
| 8. The Lion King II |
| 9. Good Will Hunting |
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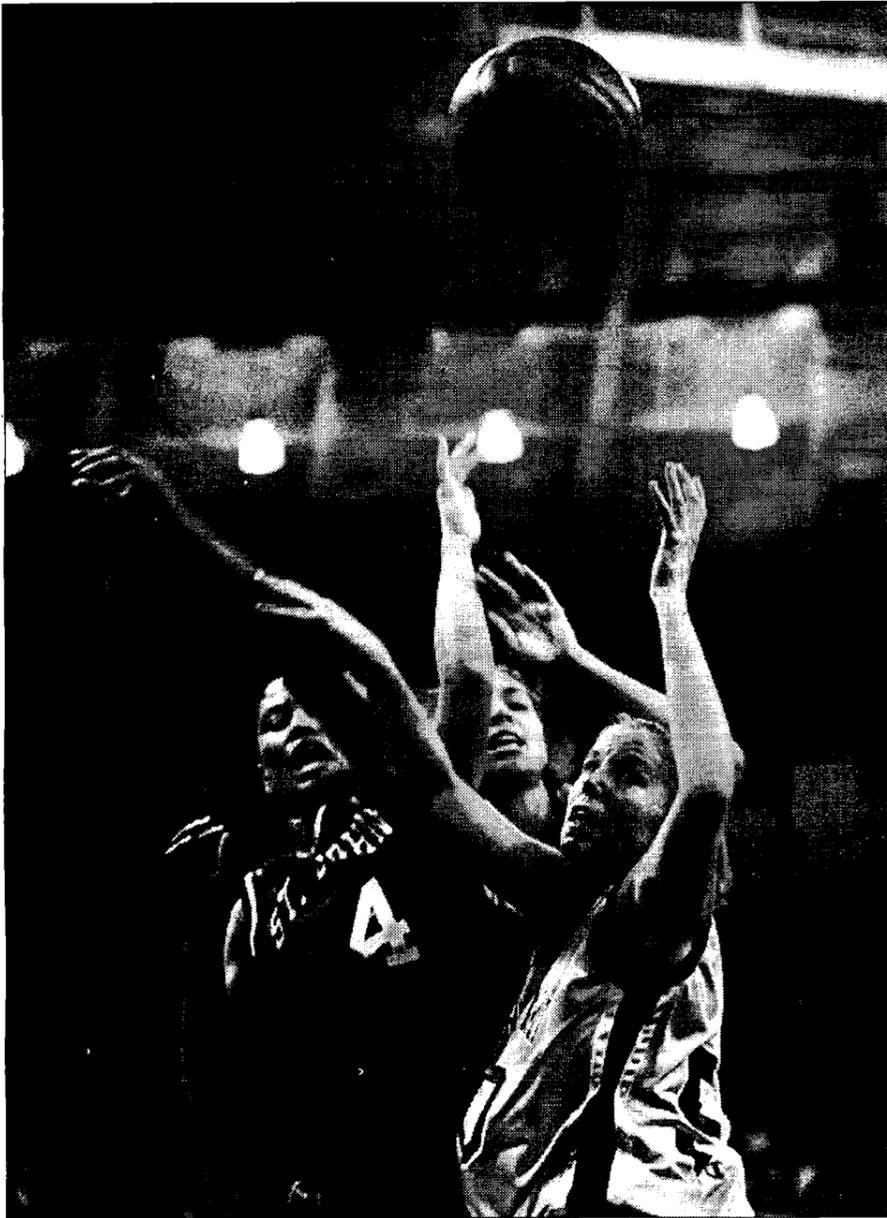
Return to Paradise

Source: Hollywood.com



Anne Heche (left) stars in the dramatic thriller "Return to Paradise," now on video, with Vince Vaughn and Joaquin Phoenix. Also recently released is the mafia movie spoof "Mafia," starring Leslie Nielsen.

Photo courtesy of Polygram



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Despite suffering an injury in the first half, sophomore Kelly Siemon contributed three points and three rebounds in Notre Dame's win over St. John's, 99-60.

B-Ball

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their season high, set previously in an 82-64 win against Toledo. McMillen led the barrage from downtown, going 6-for-15 in the game. McMillen was the only Irish player to play more than 30 minutes and, along with Green, earned a game-leading 20 points.

"Anytime a team plays zone, its great for shooters," said McMillen on her chances for treys. "I got a lot of great looks tonight, even though I missed a lot of open shots."

The best look of the game was the one the Irish got from its two freshmen, who finished in the double-digits and had career games. Haney got the call off the bench early on in the game after starting forward Kelley Siemon suffered an ankle injury that limited her to just six minutes in the second half.

Haney helped fill the inside game with the limited playing time of Siemon and Riley, who also played just six minutes in the second half. Haney answered with a career-high 16 points and a game-leading nine boards.

Hills finished with equally impressive statistics in her 28 minutes of play, shooting a solid 3-of-5 from three-point range and 3-for-6 shooting from the floor. The added depth has given McGraw a nearly endless supply of points in recent games.

"Both of our freshmen coming in with double figures — that's a key for us," said McGraw. "We need to have that kind of production off the bench."

Tynisha Myles started the game strong for the Red Storm, leading her team in the first half with 10 points, including the first two baskets for St. John's before the Irish pulled off their 10-0 run. Despite closing to within seven points with 9:17 left in the half on a layup by Myles, Notre Dame headed to the locker room with a 16-point

lead.

Things went sour in the second as Myles was held to just three points and the Irish kicked things off with an 11-0 run to go up 60-36 behind two three-pointers by McMillen. They took their biggest lead of the game minutes later on a 14-0 drive that made it an 86-47 game with 6:23 left in the game. Hills made it a 39-point lead with just over five seconds left on a three-pointer from way past the line.

Though unsuccessful in using the zone to stop the Irish, McGraw's team was able to turn the tables and get near-perfect results for her own defense. The Red Storm finished shooting just 39 percent from the field in a game in which their leading scorer, Ebony Dickinson, was held in check. Averaging 19.2 points per conference game, she had just seven points Saturday night.

"Ebony never got the same opportunities," said Thomas-Swinson. "They did a very good job of rallying her, of trapping her ever time she received the ball on the wing. Its unfortunate because Ebony has had some very good games; she just couldn't get out of the funk of not being able to perform as she usually does."

Latasha Thompson led St. John's in scoring with 15 points, while Cristina Jorif, who registered 32 minutes off the bench, tallied 11 total points.

The recent Irish surge in the Big East, as well as Connecticut's loss, has returned the Irish as contenders for the conference lead while also adding a new team to the fight for the top spot, something that McGraw knows will make the climb more difficult.

"[Boston College's win over Connecticut] really helps Boston College, obviously, but they're just one game behind us in the standings," she said. "So it puts a little more pressure on us. Had Connecticut won, we would have had breathing room in third place. Certainly that remains our goal, to win the Big East."

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See tomorrow's Observer for full coverage of fencing and women's tennis.

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PERSONAL

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But I'll take you all in a darts tournament.

Will you be my teletubby

Ok, but I'll never understand why

the bride wore her DRESS to the 'Backer. I mean, that thing's never gonna recover.

Oh Jef, if only we'd met sooner.

Who's my little muffin? Jason's my little muffin.

Thank you for being so nice lately and putting up with all my silly mood swings and attitudes. But more importantly, thank you for the ice cream.

I don't mean to embarrass you, but you're so darn cute I just can't help it.

I think I'm making it worse.

Sarah, if you make it worse, you get no more ice cream. And that means I can't share any. So will you just please prioritize my needs?

And by the way, I would definitely wear my wedding dress to the 'Backer. It's not like I'd ever wear it again.

Well, I'm gonna HAVE my wedding at the 'Backer. It's a holy place.

The guy with the mustache can pre-side over it while he cooks every-one some fat burgers.

Sarah, do you have any more clas-

sified?

Nope.

The more Bruno's the better.

This classified goes to that certain some with the freckled head that wear's cheap track pants. Now you are one of the chosen few who have made it in.

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Nothing like finishing these up so early

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What is Eucharistic Adoration?

God is present to us in many ways in our world, but He is especially present to us in the Eucharist. As Roman Catholics, we believe that Jesus Christ, who lived 2000 years ago, is truly present in the Eucharist. In Eucharistic Adoration, the Host is placed in a monstrance, in order for us to be able to come and pray. Jesus is always hidden in the tabernacle, but in adoration He is exposed so that we can come and kneel before Him, face to face, and speak with God. When Jesus is exposed like this, **He can never be left alone.** Thus, people sign up to be responsible to come and pray with Him for a certain amount of time (usually 1/2-1 hour) every week.

Why should I go?

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—Post-Conciliar (Vatican II) Document, S.C.D.W.

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Hockey

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slot. The pass went straight to the oncoming Ryan Dolder, who put the puck past goaltender Dan Ragusett for his third goal of the year, giving the Irish a quick 2-0 lead.

Following two periods of play Notre Dame held that 2-0 lead but got outplayed by a fast-skating Northern Michigan team. Shots were even at 21 following two periods with the Wildcats failing to take advantage of several scoring opportunities. Junior defenseman Sean Molina commented that the game was important to the Wildcats, who need to gain ground quickly if they are to earn the home ice advantage in the playoffs.

"We probably got outworked a little bit down in the corners," Molina said. "They were a desperate team."

In the third period, the Wildcats finally broke through on their sixth power play of the night. Freshman Chad Theuer capitalized on great passes from teammates J.P. Vigier and Roger Trudeau for his fifth goal of the year.

After being out-skated for the next few minutes, Ryan Dolder made the play that seemingly sealed the game. Dolder forced a turnover in center ice and brought the puck in with speed on the right wing. He then slid a pass in front which junior Troy

Bagne converted into his first goal of the season with 10 minutes to go. The goal gave Notre Dame a 3-1 lead.

But the win was not to be, as the Wildcats' hard work eventually paid off. Team captain Lee Ruff and sophomore Fred Mattersdorfer each scored goals in a 37 second span with under five minutes to go to tie the game at three. At game's end, the Irish had been outshot 33-30.

Despite losing the lead, the team remained unbeaten in their last six games. However, the road tie was not good enough.

"You can never be satisfied with tying," said Molina. "You always want to win games, especially in conference. We know we're capable of winning any game we play in this conference, especially when we're playing in the third period with a 3-1 lead."

Saturday night seemed to be a replay of the night before, only this time the roles were reversed. The Irish skated circles around the Lakers in the first period but were unable to clean up on rebounds down low. At the end of the first period, Notre Dame actually found itself behind 1-0 on a shorthanded goal by freshman Jeremy Bachusz. The shorthander was just the third one given up by the Irish this season.

Early in the second period, things seemed to turn around. Just 29 seconds in, Ben Simon put a backhander past goaltender Mike Brusseau to tie the game at 1-1.

Any momentum Notre Dame had at the beginning of the second period was washed away as the Lakers regained the lead only 1:20 after Simon's goal tied the game. Following a good offensive chance for the Irish, junior defenseman Tyler Palmer joined the rush the other way. As the play went to the net, teammate Tobin Praznik found the streaking Palmer with a pass,

which Palmer converted into his first goal of the season.

The third period began with the Irish down 3-1 following a late second-period goal from forward Ben Keup. In the third period Notre Dame squandered two more power play chances in the third. The unit, although they had moved the puck well and created quality scoring chances all night, failed to score in five

opportunities.

Despite the long road trip, the team made no excuses for its losses. Molina stated that fatigue was not a factor.

"You can't be tired this late in the year. We've been skating for five months and training for six. It doesn't come down to being tired, it comes down to mental toughness."

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Rutgers also continued its hot shooting from the outside in the first half. Against the Notre Dame zone that MacLeod used sporadically, the Knights shot 62 percent in the first half from the field and 5-of-7 from behind the three-point line. Closer man-to-man defensive pressure dropped both those numbers significantly in the second half, allowing Notre Dame to get back in the game.

"In the first ten minutes of the second half, we looked like we didn't belong in the Big East," said senior Phil Hickey, who had 13 points and 12 rebounds. "We were trying to get Martin, David (Graves) and Antoni involved after a constant effort to get the ball inside in the first half."

Notre Dame turned the ball over six times in the opening minutes of the second half, letting Rutgers to build a lead.

Hickey might have supplied the energy to bring Notre Dame

back from its lackadaisical effort early in the second half. Rutgers' Rashod Kent went up for an uncontested lay-up and Hickey blasted him across the arms to prevent the free basket. The referees called it an intentional foul, enabling Rutgers to go up 10 points, but it was a wake-up call for Hickey and the comeback followed.

The kind of team chemistry that formed since Troy Murphy's injury two weeks ago might prove useful in the upcoming weeks. The Notre Dame offense is slow at times, missing their leading scorer and ferocious offensive rebounder. The return of Murphy will give MacLeod more points in an offense that has been pushed into finding new and unusual ways to score.

"We have improved, and with Troy coming back, that is 20 points and 10 rebounds a game — you can't overlook that," said freshman forward David Graves. "Maybe we can make the NIT. This season is not over yet."

The roller coaster season continues Wednesday when the Irish travel to Boston College.

■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Freshmen key in Irish win

Hills and Haney form dynamic duo for Notre Dame

By BRIAN KESSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

On a ninth-ranked team, it is rare to find two freshmen logging the second- and third-most minutes on the court.

But in Saturday's 99-60 blowout victory, Notre Dame fans saw just that, as freshmen Ericka Haney and Sherisha Hills had a chance to showcase their talent.

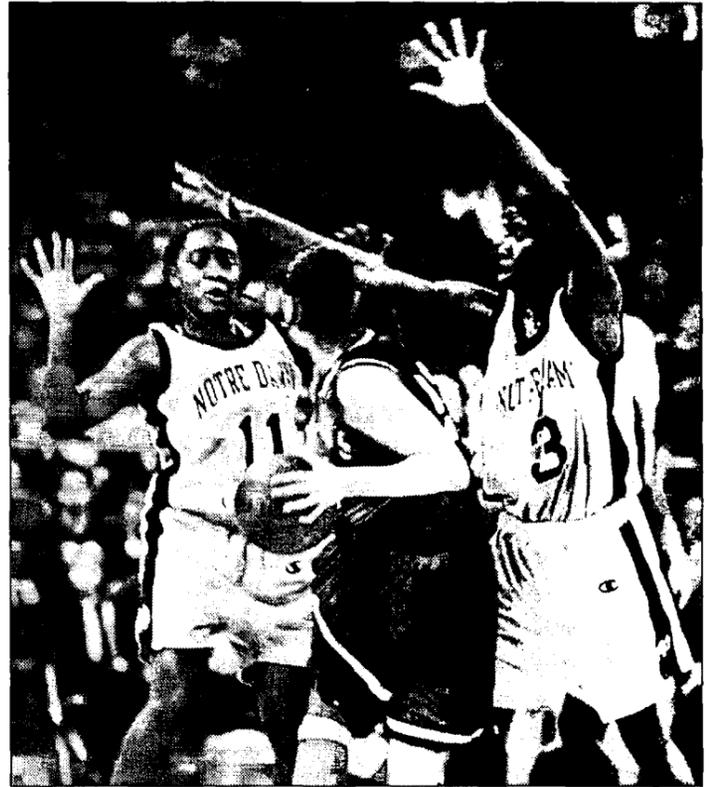
"Both of our freshmen coming in with double figures — that's a key for us," head coach Muffet McGraw said. "We need to have that kind of production off the bench. Sherisha and Ericka did an excellent job."

Haney had a career night, coming just one rebound short of her first career double-double.

"Ericka had a great game on the boards and she scored," McGraw said. "She played well on both ends of the floor."

Haney, who is averaging 5.2 points per game, had 16 points on 7-of-10 shooting and pulled down nine rebounds while playing 28 minutes.

"This game I kind of raised my level of confidence and listened to the coach," said Haney, who had three assists and four steals while committing just one turnover. "I wanted to slow things down and have the game come to me. I didn't want to force things and



The Observer/Jeff Hsu
Sherisha Hills (11) and Ericka Haney (3) logged the second and third most playing time for Notre Dame in its trouncing of St. John's, 99-60.

I think that helped."

Hills, Haney's freshman counterpart, was another one of the six Irish players to score in double digits.

"When we came in Coach McGraw said we [she and Haney] were going to get opportunities to play," Hills said. "Ericka and I talked about it and we said that whenever we get in there, we are going to go out and play our best."

Hills was held scoreless in the first half, but came out strong in the second and finished with 13 points.

"I started off really slow, but I tried to stay positive and everything," Hills said. "When I came out in the second half, I said I was going to do the little things and play defense and that led to offense. I caught fire in the second half."

All three of her field goals

came from three-point range. The freshman was also 4-of-5 from the free-throw line and had four rebounds and four steals.

"I just came in and tried to play hard," Hills said. "I go out every day and work as hard as I can to get better."

McGraw's two freshmen recruits will continue to get better and could be the difference in how Notre Dame finishes out the year.

Boston College's upset victory over Big East leader UConn mixed things up in the conference and the Irish may have a chance to at least tie for the conference championship as the regular season winds down in less than a month.

Haney and Hills hope to be big-time contributors down the stretch and during their next three years under the Dome.

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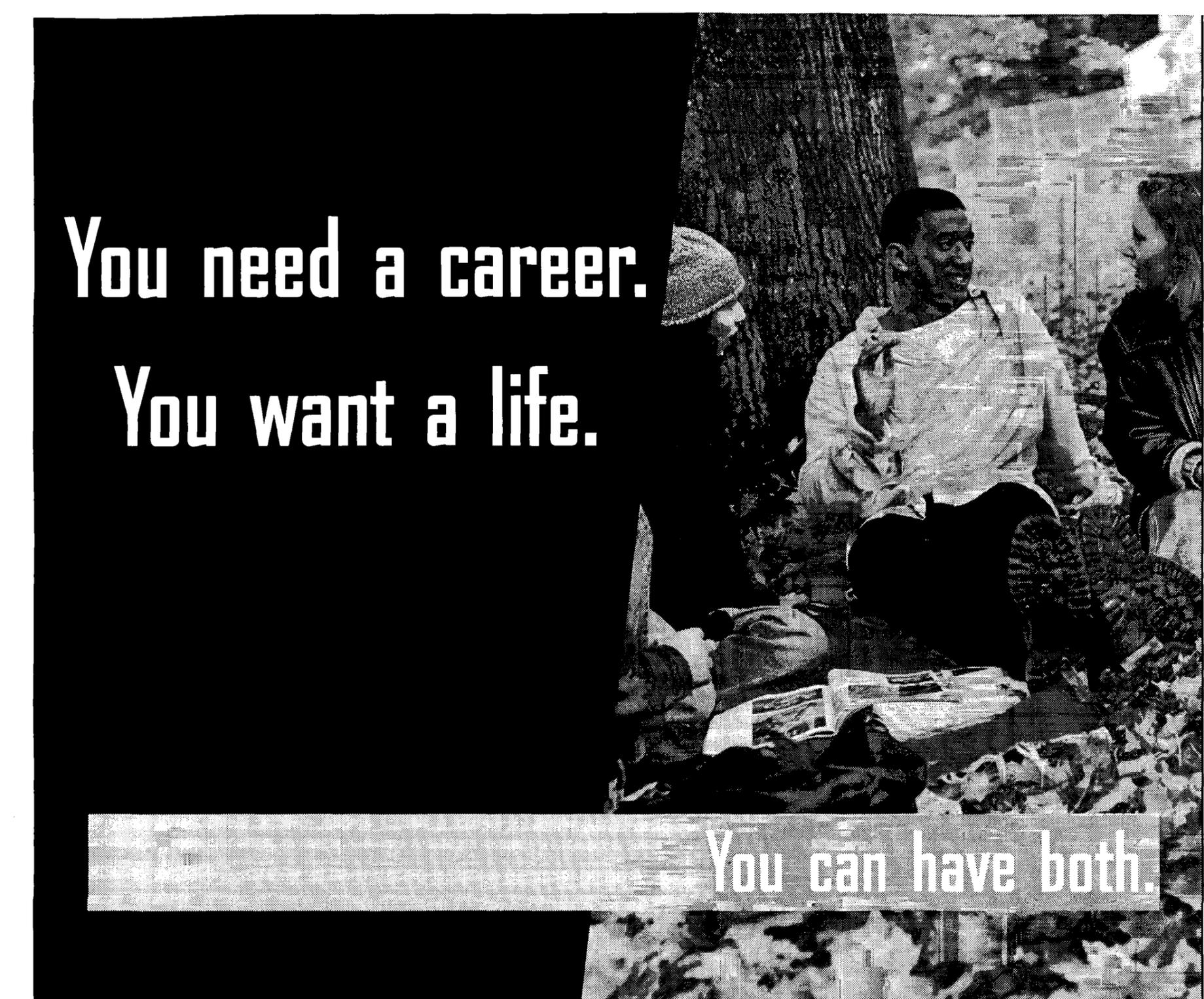
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■ IRISH INSIGHT

Men's hoops hopeful despite Saturday's heartbreaker

By JOEY CAVATO
Associate Sports Editor

Rutgers' Geoff Billet pumped his fists in the air as he fell to the floor, celebrating a last-second jumper that gave his team a 72-70 win over Notre Dame at the Joyce Center Saturday afternoon.

Irish sophomore Martin Ingelsby's head turned towards the floor. In a split second, Billet ruined a tremendous Notre

Dame comeback — the team tied the game by overcoming a 12-point deficit in just seven minutes.

Notre Dame's effort deserved more than that.

Ingelsby, who scored 19 points in the last 12 minutes, turned in the best half of basketball he's played since donning the Blue and Gold: He took the big shots without hesitation; he shot the long-range jumper; he drove the ball to the basket; he hit his free

throws.

With Troy Murphy still recovering from a sprained ankle, Ingelsby and his teammates responded.

Whether it was a steal and lay-up by David Graves, a three-pointer by Ingelsby or a running jumper by Antoni Wyche surrounded by Scarlet Knights, the Irish came through even though the results did not.

"It's real frustrating," said Phil Hickey, who still was shaking

his head at a missed wide-open dunk with seven minutes left in the game. "The first 10 minutes of the second half, it didn't look like we should even be in the Big East and we had such a great effort to come back."

It was difficult to see the positives through the emotions of a heart-wrenching loss, but they exist. If coach John MacLeod can get this kind of effort from his team, the good results will come.

A week ago the Irish suffered a devastating blow when Murphy injured his ankle. At Villanova they suffered a humiliating loss to the Wildcats — the second blow-out loss in a row.

But after Tuesday night's win over Syracuse and Saturday's near win against Rutgers, MacLeod's troops are going somewhere.

"They've really bounced back nicely," MacLeod said after the Rutgers game. "In a 30-game season you're going to have some jewels and you're going to have some bummers."

Though Saturday's game certainly falls into the 'bummer' category, it may be able to lead to more gems.

"You can't get too negative because they are kids and they have given us a great effort," MacLeod said. "Good kids will keep on battling and we're making progress here."

There is no doubt about the squad making progress. Two months ago Alaska-Anchorage, a Division II school, got the best of the Irish in overtime. Last week the Irish nearly went 2-0 without their best player.

"That's just the character or our team," Graves said. "We

have a lot of character. We'll get down at times but we'll fight right back up and we're not going to give up."

The Irish will get the opportunity to get right back up this week when they travel to Boston College. They are still not sure if Murphy will return.

Notre Dame is 1-2 without Murphy, but they now know that others are capable of stepping up to help carry the load.

"Troy will be back and when he is we'll be a better team", Graves said. "We've gelled and come together and stepped up without him."

Notre Dame's record stands at 10-10 — 4-5 in the Big East — with nine games remaining. With two games against last-place Boston College and three other home games left, the schedule offers plenty of chances to post some 'W's'.

"We still know we have a chance to make it maybe to the NIT if we keep playing hard and get some wins," Graves said. "The season is not over for us, we still have a long way to go. I think we'll be in good shape. We have some winnable games down the road and I think we'll come out with a good record."

Said MacLeod, "We've got good young kids that are battling and there aren't many dull moments. We just have good kids that want to win. They want to do it the right way."

Games like the one the Joyce Center crowd saw last week provide MacLeod all the proof he needs.

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■ MEN'S TENNIS



Senior captain Andy Warford won his match against William and Mary to help Notre Dame win the adidas Quad Meet.

Irish open season with tourney win

By NATHANIEL DeNICOLA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's tennis team opened its dual-match season in dramatic fashion this Saturday, earning top honors at the adidas Quad Meet.

The 24th-ranked Irish went into battle against Miami (Ohio) and William and Mary at the Eck Tennis Pavilion, emerging victorious in both matches. The 4-2 victory over Miami advanced Notre Dame to the finals where the team crushed William and Mary 6-1, capturing the title.

"This triumph will serve as a good stepping stone," said senior captain Andy Warford. "Now we have something to build on."

In singles action the Irish gained an early advantage over Miami with Ryan Sachire defeating Gareth Quin 6-0, 6-4 at No. 1 singles and Brian Patterson beating B.J. Monroe 6-2, 6-0 at No. 2 singles. No. 5 Andrew Laffin made short work of the Redhawks' Brent Lehring, 6-1, 6-2, setting up Casey Smith's match-clinching 5-7, 6-4, 6-3 victory at No. 4 singles.

Although the team did win, the difficulty of the match was somewhat unexpected.

"The first match is always tough. They [Miami] have a lot of good freshman who were apparently not at all nervous," said head coach Bob Bayliss said.

The evening match versus William and Mary, despite its 6-1 score, was equally as competitive, except perhaps at No. 1 singles where William and Mary's Trevor Spracklin — against whom Sachire owned a commanding 3-0 advantage — was forced to retire due to injury. At No. 2 singles, Patterson captured the first set 6-3 then secured the victory with an exciting tie break 7-6.

"In this match Patterson actively attacked the ball early; he became the aggressor. He got down a little in the second set, but came back and had the resolve to win," Bayliss said.

Others were quick to praise Patterson on his performance, namely fellow captain Warford.

"Pat really played well, perhaps he can top last year's 20-3 record," Warford said.

At No. 3 singles Matt Daly outlasted David Kenas in what proved to be a battle of endurance. The first game — which lasted longer than Patterson's first five games — set the tone for the entire match, eventually culminating in a 7-6 (5), 6-4 triumph for Daly. After saving five break points, Daly finally closed the match on his fourth match point with a powerful cross-court forehand.

"Kenas had played No. 1 against Michigan the week before, so this was a big victory for Matt. Toward the end he was hitting the ball with authority — he definitely has the potential to be an impact player," said Bayliss.

Warford beat Patrick Brown at No. 4 singles in a see-saw match, 5-7, 6-3, 6-4, while Laffin again enjoyed a straight set victory as he routed Tim Csontos 6-0, 6-3 at No. 6 singles.

Notre Dame lost at No. 5 singles, though it certainly wasn't from a lack of effort by Casey Smith. Smith rebounded from a 4-5, 40-15 disadvantage to stave off 6 match points before finally succumbing to Brian Lubin 6-3, 7-6 (11).

As if to prove it wasn't a fluke, Sachire earned another 3-0 victory, this time in doubles, as he and Patterson forced Harang/Martin Larsson into an injury retirement (perhaps a tribute to Sachire's overpowering serve).

"You hate to think that they would concede the match by playing injured players," commented Bayliss, "but one wonders. Actually, this will help Ryan because he has a tough few weeks ahead."

Matt Horsely and Trent Miller upset nationally ranked Brown/Lubin at No. 2 doubles, leading the way as Notre Dame swept the matches to earn the extra point.

On Tuesday the team will encounter its biggest challenge of the season as they take on Wisconsin and fourth-ranked Mark Wolhorn.

■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Flying Dutch skim past Belles

By MOLLY McVOY
Sports Writer

On Saturday, the Belles showed basketball fans what they can do when they work together, nearly beating Hope College, the second ranked team in the league.

Saint Mary's held the lead into the beginning of the second half, but Hope pulled it out, winning 75-60.

"We just told them to come out and play hard," head coach Dave Roeder said. "We're capable of playing with good teams. Recently, we've shown that, shooting the ball better and making better defensive choices."

This is not the first time the Belles have faced the Flying Dutch of Hope College, and their improvement is obvious from the difference between the two games. The first was dominated by Hope from the start and the Belles ended up losing 81-53.

Saint Mary's turned it around on Saturday and kept Hope nervous throughout the

game. The team played with Hope during the first half and had the lead 45-41 at the beginning of the second half. But Hope's defense stepped up and stopped Saint Mary's for a long scoreless streak later in the half.

Freshman Kelly Jones had another big game, recording her 100th rebound and proving why she is among the league leaders

in both rebounding and blocked shots. She has been one of the many freshman who stepped up in the absence of a lot of upperclassmen.

"Since Charlotte Albrecht is the only senior playing, with Nicole [Giffin] hurt, a lot of underclassmen are forced to make decisions," said Coach Roeder.

Saint Mary's hopes its improvement can continue as it faces Alma College this Saturday. Alma will throw the league's leading scorer, Ellen Bradbury, at the Belles and Roeder hopes his defense will

allow less than her average 19 points a game.

"This week we're working new things on defense," said Roeder. "We hope with this new defense we can stop Ellen Bradbury."

After Alma, the Belles face Olivet, a team Saint Mary's can play very competitively. This has most definitely been a building year for Saint Mary's, but the underclassmen have shown the fans that the talent is there.

"In a year or two, these girls are really going to be all right and very competitive," said Roeder.



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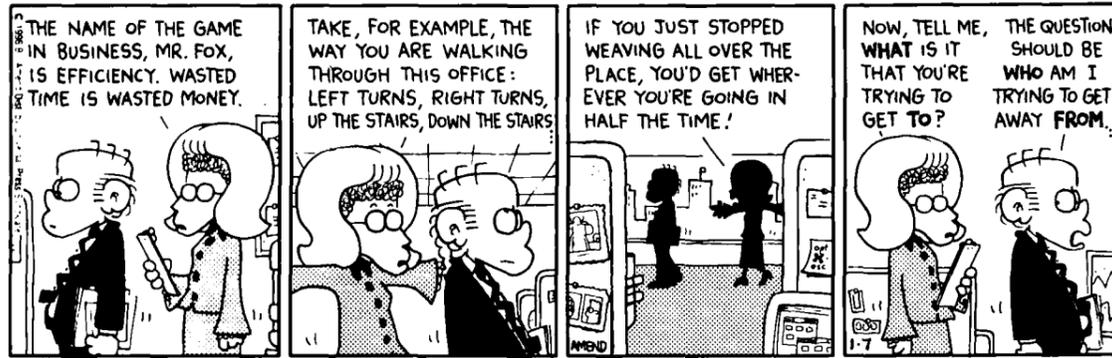
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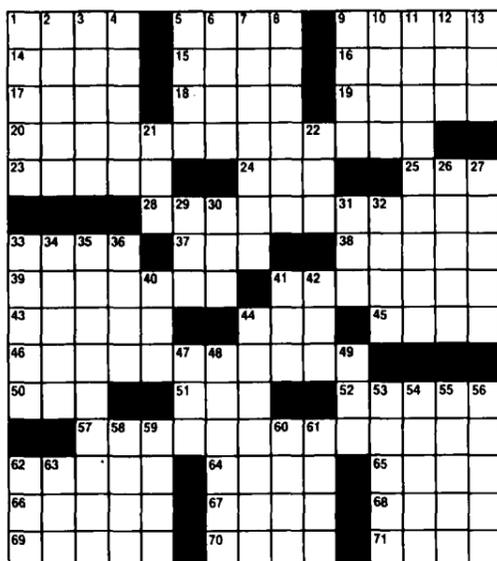
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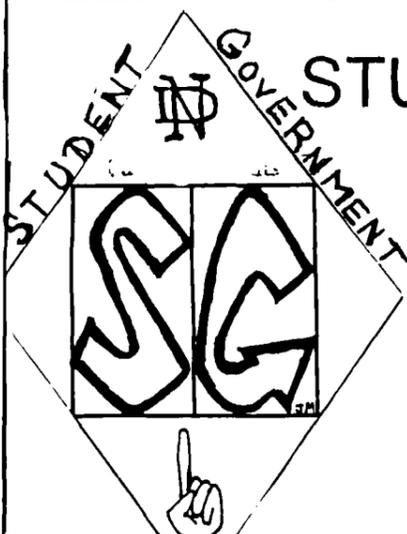
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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

ND comeback smothered by buzzer-beater

By ALAN WASIELEWSKI
Sports Writer

The Big East basketball season is turning into a roller coaster ride for the Notre Dame men's basketball team.

True to this season's form, Tuesday's win over Seton Hall was followed by a disheartening last-second loss to Rutgers on Saturday, 72-70. Rutgers' senior guard Geoff Billet sank an off-balance fall-away jumper at the buzzer to hand the Irish their 10th loss of the season and fifth in Big East play.

With leading scorer Troy Murphy watching from the bench, Notre Dame gave another team effort with a spirited comeback in the second half that fell just short.

"I saw a lot of good things and a lot of bad things today," Notre Dame coach John MacLeod said after the game. "Our kids never gave up and made a big surge at the end."

That big surge allowed Notre Dame to tie the game. After being down 12 points at the eight-minute mark, Antoni Wyche's lay-up tied the game with eight seconds left.

Following a Rutgers time-out, Billet dribbled the length of the court against the blanket defense of Martin Ingelsby and forced an awkward shot through the hoop.

"There was no way I thought he was going to make that shot,"

Ingelsby said. "I thought I had him tied up pretty well."

Notre Dame chose not to double team Billet at the end of the game, even though they knew he was getting the ball.

"We figured either Billet or [Earl] Johnson was going to take the shot. Martin was alone because everyone was afraid to leave their man open," MacLeod said.

Whatever the outcome of that last play, the offensive effort Ingelsby gave in the second half kept the Irish in the game. The sophomore guard had only three points at the half, but stepped up his offensive production in the second half to lead the game in scoring with 22 points.

Twelve of those points came in the last six minutes — right when Notre Dame needed them the most.

"I came out pretty aggressive in the second half," Ingelsby explained. "Coach ran some plays to get me some shots and I was able to convert."

The hole out of which Ingelsby dug the Irish came courtesy of the Rutgers bench. Earl Johnson was the biggest Scarlet Knight substitution, tallying 15 points in 26 minutes to lead his team in scoring. Rutgers ended up with 27 bench points compared to just 8 from the Notre Dame reserves.

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Senior Phil Hickey pulled down 12 rebounds in Saturday's loss against the White Knights, 72-70.

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■ HOCKEY

Icers slide to fourth in CCHA

By TED BASSANI
Sports Writer

The hockey team returned from its longest road trip of the season in the CCHA with disappointing results: By earning one point of a possible four, the Irish fell to fourth in the CCHA rankings.

Friday night, they saw a two-goal third-period lead vanish in 37 seconds as Northern Michigan tied the game 3-3. On Saturday, they out-skated and outplayed Lake Superior State for much of the game, but were unable to finish off their numerous chances and fell to the ninth-ranked Lakers 3-1.

The Wildcats took it to the Irish early in the first period Friday night by unleashing a barrage of shots on senior goaltender Forrest Karr. Karr and his teammates were able to keep Northern off of the scoreboard in the early going.

On their first power play opportunity of the game, some great puck movement led to Aniket Dhadphale's team-leading sixth power play goal of the year. After senior defenseman Benoit Cotnoir's wrist shot bounded in front of the net, Dhadphale was in perfect position to tuck it home for the 1-0 lead.

Friday's game also had spe-



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Center Craig Hagkull and the Irish hockey team couldn't hold off their weekend opponents, tying on Friday and falling 3-1 on Saturday.

cial meaning for Dhadphale, who was playing in his hometown of Marquette, Mich. The hometown fans witnessed Dhadphale tie teammate Brian Urick for the team lead in goals with his 13th of the year.

Just 11 seconds after Dhadphale's power play goal,

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■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish crush Red Storm in blowout

By ANTHONY BIANCO
Assistant Sports Editor

The million-dollar halftime shot contest was more of an interruption than entertainment for the 6,300-plus fans that came to see Notre Dame take its shot at St. John's and a chance at upping the Irish win streak to six games.

Though the shot was off, fans still got their money's worth as head coach Muffet McGraw's Irish cruised to a 99-60 win. Six double-digit scorers for the Irish led the offense, including two freshmen off the bench, Ericka Haney (16) and Sherisha Hills (13).

Notre Dame's 6-0 run in the Big East this month, coupled with Boston College's 78-66 win yesterday over conference-leader Connecticut, should stir things up in both the conference and the national polls. At 17-2 overall and 7-2 in the Big East, the Irish stand third in the conference behind the Huskies and second-place Rutgers. Nationally, McGraw's team held a No. 9 ranking before this weekend's games.

The Irish wasted no time building a convincing win Saturday night, putting together a double-digit lead in the game's first four minutes on a 10-0 run. Danielle Green started the drive with a layup and Ruth Riley capped it with another play from underneath with 16:09 left in the first.

Between those two plays from the inside, Niele Ivey and Sheila McMillen stretched the Red Storm defense with points from three-point land. Notre Dame was able to keep St. John's zone defense guessing all night long, allowing opportunities to develop from the paint and the field.

"Anytime you have a well-rounded ball club as Notre Dame has, their inside game stared working for them," said St. John's head coach Charlene Thomas-Swinson on the dynamic defense the Irish forced upon her team. "That gave them more of an opportunity to be able to get the ball back out for the outside shots."

Taking 25 shots from three-point range, the Irish tied

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