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Events honor Martin Luther King Day

With classes in session, letter-writing campaign, prayer service remember leader's legacy

By LIZ HARTER
Assistant News Editor

The legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. is nationally recognized once a year with many employers canceling work and television stations broadcasting King's famous "I have a dream" speech. Today, classes at Notre Dame continue, but activities throughout the week will celebrate the activist's life 40 years after his assassination.

While there have been Martin Luther King, Jr. Day activities in the past, events are more visible on campus this year.

"I don't think that there are more or less events this year for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day," said Lai-nin Wan, chair of the Student Senate Multicultural Affairs Committee. "I think they're simply just a lot better advertised."

Wan said her committee is actively working to advertise the events they planned for today. The committee chose community service as a way to do something for the South Bend community in the name of King, Wan said.

"[King] in many ways symbolized togetherness and emphasized the importance of growing together as a community," she

said.

Events range from a letter writing campaign for the troops overseas through the A Million Thanks organization and terminally ill children through the Make a Child Smile organization to setting up Valentine's Day decorations and playing Bingo with residents at the Healthwin Specialized Care Center in downtown South Bend.

The community centers that will be receiving aid from students are those that expressed an interest in working with the committee.

"This is the first year we're going to have this day of service,

but it has been received really well, so I'm hoping that the chair next year will carry on this new tradition," Wan said.

There will also be an all-campus prayer service in the rotunda of the Main Building at 12:30 p.m. at which University President Father John Jenkins and Hugh Page, dean of the University First Year of Studies, will offer prayers and reflections on the life of King.

"The prayer service is something we've brought back," Wan said. "This is something we used to do back in the 90s, but haven't

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Student assaulted on Bulla

Undergrad reported attacker hit, kicked her

By KAREN LANGLEY
News Editor

An undergraduate student reported being assaulted Thursday evening in a parking lot at Fischer Graduate Residences along Bulla Road, Notre Dame Security/Police said.

The student told NDSP she was struck in the face and then kicked by a man who approached her after walking behind her, NDSP Director Phillip Johnson said in a campus-wide e-mail Thursday night. The man asked the woman questions before grabbing her arm and hitting her in the face, he said. When she then fell to the ground, the man kicked her, she told NDSP.

Johnson had "no information to share about" the nature of those questions, he said Sunday. He did not know if the woman sought medical attention, he said.

The man then fled in a vehicle, possibly accompanied by two other people, NDSP said. The suspect in the assault was described to NDSP as a 5-foot-10 to 6-foot-tall black male of stocky build. He appeared to be between 20 and 25 years of age and was wearing a black Puma jacket, NDSP said.

Nothing was stolen from the woman, and no reason for the assault has surfaced, Johnson said.

"It's not clear what the motive was," he said.

The incident is considered an

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Cardinal commemorates first Moreau feast

Former Washington, D.C. archbishop headlines conference on Holy Cross Congregation founder

By JOHN TIERNEY
News Writer

Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, former archbishop of Washington, D.C., headlined Saturday's conference "A Great Cloud of Witnesses: Saints in the Catholic Tradition" with a glowing speech on the life of Father Basil Moreau, founder of the Congregation of the Holy Cross.

The conference was held in honor of the first celebration of Moreau's feast day Sunday.

Moreau is a man that the cardinal "would have loved to have known," McCarrick said. "He has become a friend of mine. I hope that you too will become a friend of Basil."

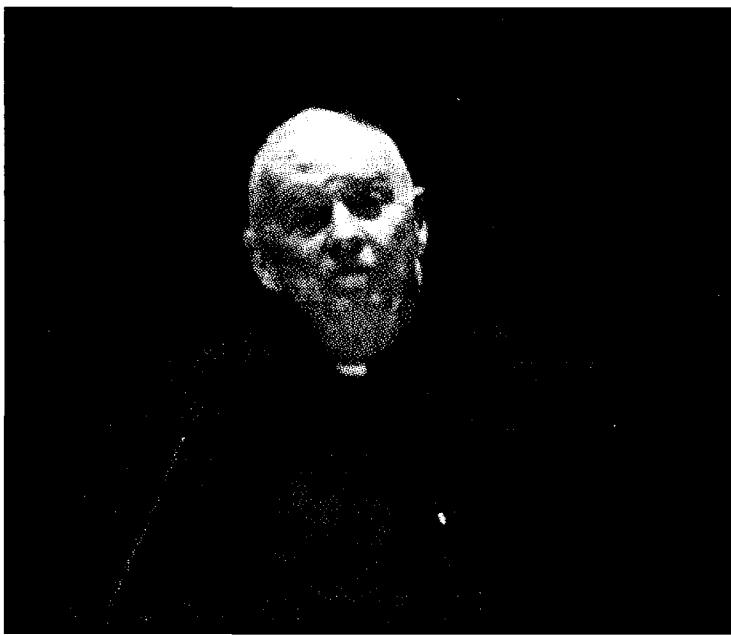
McCarrick described Moreau as "a very extraordinary man and a great man for our times." He credited Moreau with helping to save the church in France following the anti-establishment movements of the French Revolution.

Moreau's life from 1799-1873 should be viewed in context of the turmoil that then enveloped his native France, McCarrick said.

"France was a very interesting and confusing place," McCarrick said. The revolutionaries "wanted to get rid of the Church and its power so that it could never come back."

Despite the anti-Church movements of the early 19th century, Moreau's family

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PHIL HUDELSON/The Observer

Cardinal Theodore McCarrick delivers a lecture about the life of Father Basil Moreau at the McKenna Hall auditorium Saturday.

NAACP chapter puts on pageant

'Mr. and Ms. Ebony' crowned in third-annual event in Washington Hall

By AMBER TRAVIS
News Writer

A small group of Notre Dame students gathered for the third annual Mr. and Ms. Ebony ND Pageant on Saturday in Washington Hall.

The pageant is sponsored by the Notre Dame Chapter of the NAACP.

The winners of this year's pageant were senior Milo Dodson and freshman Rachael Banks, who were each one of three males and three females competing for the title.

The pageant was founded by seniors Usi Abugo and Brittany Canty, who is also the current president of NAACP, in 2006 after

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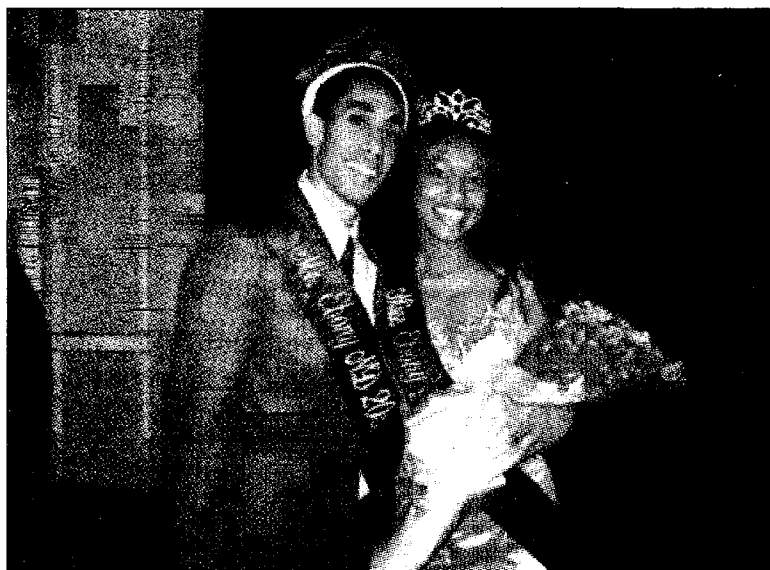


Photo courtesy of Mallory Jacobs

Senior Milo Dodson, left, and freshman Rachael Banks were crowned Mr. and Ms. Ebony on Saturday.

SMC hosts weeklong heritage celebration

By KATIE KOHLER
Saint Mary's Editor

Students, faculty and staff will commemorate the College's heritage through a week-long series of movies, speeches and a closing dinner on Friday.

The College's third Heritage Week kicked off Sunday with a Beatification Mass at the Church of Loretto.

"Heritage Week is one of the most salient events hosted by [Board of Governance] because it continues the traditions of the college as well as communicates the history to the student body," Hodges said. "In an effort to keep the spirit of who we are alive, the

knowledge of who we are now and who we have been must be linked."

Student Body president Kim Hodges, along with the rest of BOG, has changed the events for the week to encourage more student participation, she said. Rather than the book signing and speakers included in last year's week, this week's celebrations will include a dance performance and ice cream social.

The Heritage Dinner at the end of the week and a few minor events, however, remain unchanged.

"The entire week should be jam packed," she said. "We are optimistic that there will

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INSIDE COLUMN

Culture shock

When I got off of the airplane tired and hungry during one of several layovers I had on the trek back from my semester in Rome, I suddenly knew that I was in America with the first two dining options I saw: Domino's Pizza and TCBY (The Country's Best Yogurt). As I stood there, looking back and forth between the two, all I could think was that Dominos was fake pizza and that the best this country had to offer was nothing like Old Bridge gelato. This experience was only the beginning of culture shock.

Emma Driscoll

News Wire Editor

And things got even more shocking last week, my first back at Notre Dame since May.

The computer cluster on the second floor of the library seems to have disappeared. I keep forgetting to enter my net ID and password to print at the clusters, and then I end up thinking that the printers are broken. Construction blocks my normal route to DeBartolo. A new dorm is being built. I can never decide if acquaintances will remember me from last spring. People look younger. The dining halls have Coke Zero — but no Coca-Cola Light — and apple slices. The CSC is right by my dorm. Campus seems like a small world because everyone's paths seem to be crossing.

I realize that none of this is new to the majority of students, but that just makes these changes weirder. While I was in Rome, Notre Dame continued on as usual — and in some ways, it even improved. I never expected anything different, but this was humbling all the same.

Fortunately, I was relieved to find that some of my favorite things about campus have not changed at all. The dining hall still makes s'mores. The candles in the Grotto are still lit. The Starbucks in LaFortune is still great. The lions still guard Pangborn. O'Shag still has character. God Quad is still just so pretty. The Observer still prints horoscopes.

There are a lot of things that I miss about Rome. I loved the independence of walking around the Eternal City — whether or not I knew where I was going. I loved the city at night. I loved feeling so insignificant — but also so incredibly blessed — standing in Saint Peter's Square. I loved the automated announcements on the Metro and the fact that it does not take you to major parts of the city. I loved dodging ping-pong balls in the erroneously named Lemon Tree Courtyard with the other Notre Dame kids. I loved the color, the architecture, the history, the food, the wine, the pace and how everything — from trying to get glasses fixed to a haircut to an innocent misreading of military time — became an adventure and a story.

Still, it is great to be back at Notre Dame. Seeing the familiar Golden Dome over the trees as I was arriving just felt right. Junior year seems to be one of unexpected transitions and changes for everyone, but I am glad that the best of Notre Dame has stayed pretty much the same — give or take a few apples.

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

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CORRECTIONS

The Observer regards itself as a professional publication and strives for the highest standards of journalism at all times. We do, however, recognize that we will make mistakes. If we have made a mistake, please contact us at 631-4541 so we can correct our error.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE TO EAT OFF CAMPUS?



Mark Hincapie
sophomore
Stanford

"Carabba's
because I like
Italian cuisine."



Andrea Torres-Hermeza
junior
Pasquerilla West

"Outback
because I go
there with
friends at the
beginning and
end of every
semester."



Amanda Clark
sophomore
Breen-Phillips

"Bonefish
because I'm
classy."



Andrew Wright
junior
Siegfried

"Hana-Yori
because it's
where I take all
my dates."



Monsy Corbera
sophomore
McGlinn

"Chipotle
because it's the
closest to
Mexican here in
South Bend."



CASEY CARNEY/The Observer

Andrea Dreyfuss, left, Emily Lopez, front, and Aryelle Emison perform at Friday's call back audition for the Latin Expressions performance this spring.

OFFBEAT

Mystery man continues annual visit to Poe's grave

BALTIMORE — Undeterred by controversy, a mysterious visitor paid his annual tribute at the grave of Edgar Allan Poe early Saturday, placing three red roses and a half-filled bottle of cognac before stealing away into the darkness.

Nearly 150 people had gathered outside the cemetery of Westminster Presbyterian Church, but the man known as the "Poe toaster" was, as usual, able to avoid being spotted by the crowd, said Jeff Jerome, curator of the

Poe House and Museum. The tribute takes place every Jan. 19 — the anniversary of Poe's birth. The visitor did not leave a note, Jerome said, electing not to respond to questions raised in the past year about the history and authenticity of the tribute.

Candidate photoshops picture in campaign mailing

HOUSTON — A mailer from a congressional candidate's campaign contains a photo of his head attached to an image of a different body that makes him look thinner.

The photo is presented as a true image of Dean Hrbacek, a Republican former mayor of Sugar Land. In reality, it is a computerized composite of Hrbacek's face and someone else's slimmer figure, in suit and tie, from neck to knee.

Hrbacek, a tax lawyer and accountant, did not immediately return a call to his campaign headquarters Friday by The Associated Press. He is seeking the nomination to run against Democratic U.S. Rep. Nick Lampson.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

There will be a prayer service today at 12:15 p.m. to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The prayer service will be held in the rotunda of the Main Building. Prayers will be offered by University President Father John Jenkins and Hugh Page, Dean of First Year of Studies.

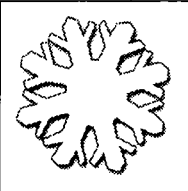
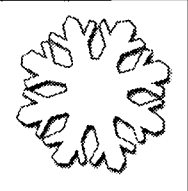
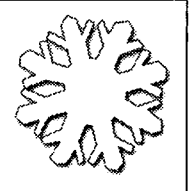
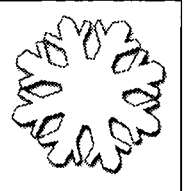
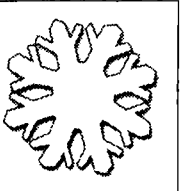
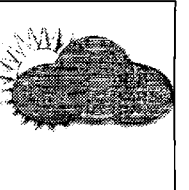
The entire RecSports fitness class schedule is available for free during the "Try It, You'll Like It!" week today through Sunday. Show up at Rolfs RecSports Center to try various classes. Space is first come, first serve. Class registration begins Thursday at 7:30 a.m. online.

Visiting scholar Stephen Ndegwa will deliver a lecture entitled "Kenya: Beyond the Post-Election Crisis" today at 12:45 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. The lecture is presented by the Africa Working Group of the Kellogg Institute for International Studies.

The Notre Dame Post Office will offer a Passport Fair Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On this day only, no appointment will be necessary to apply for a passport. Applicants should bring proof of U.S. citizenship, proof of identity and two recent photos.

Actors From The London Stage will present The Taming of the Shrew Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Student tickets are available for \$12.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.

LOCAL WEATHER	TODAY		TONIGHT		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
												
	HIGH	27	HIGH	23	HIGH	22	HIGH	21	HIGH	13	HIGH	24
	LOW	23	LOW	21	LOW	11	LOW	7	LOW	8	LOW	22

Campuses celebrate Moreau's first Feast Day

By GENE NOONE
News Writer

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's celebrated the first Feast Day of Blessed Basil Moreau with Sunday Masses that honored the life and legacy of the Holy Cross founder.

Sunday marked the 135th anniversary of Moreau's death and was the first time official prayers designated for his Feast Day were used in the Eucharistic Liturgy.

Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, archbishop emeritus of Washington, D.C., presided at the 10 a.m. Mass at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. McCarrick previously presided over a Mass of Thanksgiving for Moreau's beatification last September in Le Mans, France.

The Mass contained special prayers and readings as well as a brass ensemble that accompanied the Liturgical Choir.

Father Peter Rocca, rector of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, said the feast day is an opportunity for people to learn from Moreau's life.

"Hopefully by celebrating his feast, people will come away with a much greater appreciation of this great man of faith, and learn something of the congregation of priests, brothers and sisters which he founded," he said.

Junior Peter Privon, who attended the Mass, said he was impressed by Moreau's accom-

plishments.

"It was interesting to hear about the history of Father Moreau and his legacy at the Mass," he said. "I never knew what a large impact he had on so many people at such a young age."

Saint Mary's celebrated an all-school Mass Sunday evening in the Church of Our Lady of Loretto. The Mass was led by campus minister, Father John Pearson.

The Saint Mary's Women's Choir, the Liturgical Choir and the Hand Bell Choir sang for the Mass while the Liturgical Dancers interpreted the readings.

The Mass launched Saint Mary's third annual Heritage Week, which celebrates more than 150 years of school history. Saint Mary's will celebrate its heritage throughout the week with a series of lectures and performances.

Sister Rose Anne Schultz, vice president for mission, said that with Moreau's feast day and Heritage Week, she hopes each person associated with the College will grow in appreciation for the heritage that shapes the school's mission today.

Moreau was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI on Sept. 15, 2007 in Le Mans, France. When the Pope beatified Moreau, he established Jan. 20 as his Liturgical Feast Day.

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Finance professor recognized

Bergstrand named by RePEc as one of top experts in international trade

Special to The Observer

Jeffrey H. Bergstrand, professor of finance at the University of Notre Dame, has been recognized by the Research Papers in Economics project (RePEc) as one of the world's foremost experts in international trade.



Bergstrand

RePEc is a public access database that promotes scholarly communication in economics and related disciplines and is composed of more than 280,000 pieces of information related to the field, including journal articles, working papers, books and software programs.

In an announcement last month, RePEc ranked Bergstrand 10th on the list of some 580 researchers worldwide in the field of international trade. RePEc used 32 criteria to calculate the ranking, including the number of papers published, the quality of journals, and the quantity and impact of papers' citations.

The ranking distinguishes Bergstrand not only as

one of the most prolific authors in the field of international trade, but also indicates the influence of his work.

Bergstrand's research focuses on international trade between countries, which includes more broadly the topics of free trade agreements and other trade policies, foreign direct investment and multinational enterprises, and immigration.

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Jeffrey Bergstrand
professor of finance

international trade, foreign direct investment, and migration flows, and how they are related," Bergstrand said. "With a more precise understanding of these issues, we have developed a clearer understanding of how much international economic policies – such as free trade agreements, bilateral investment treaties, and the like – actually impact these

flows, which ultimately foster economic growth and raise standards of living."

In addition to his work in international trade, Bergstrand focuses on international finance and exchange rates, macroeconomics and the U.S. economy. He is the author of more than two dozen journal articles and of "Going Global: 25 Keys to International Operations," a book published in 1999 for The New York Times Pocket MBA Series. He is a co-editor of the book "The

Changing Distribution of Income in an Open U.S. Economy."

A member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1986, Bergstrand previously served as an economist with the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. He earned his bachelor's degree in economics and political science from Northwestern University and his master's and doctoral degrees in economics from the University of Wisconsin.

The Observer is now accepting applications for its 2008-09 Editor-in-Chief.

Applicants should submit a resume and 12-15 page application to The Observer's South Dining Hall office by Tuesday, January 22 at 5 p.m. Please contact Maddie Hanna at 631-4542 or mhanna1@nd.edu with questions.

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done in a while.”
The University will also honor King on Wednesday and Saturday. Pastors and other local faith leaders will participate in an hour-long ecumenical service including scripture readings, a sermon, prayers for unity and a performance by the Voices of Faith Gospel Choir and the Celebration Choir Wednesday at

7:15 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. A reception hosted by Campus Ministry will follow the prayer service in the Coleman-Morse Center.

The Multicultural Affairs Committee is planning a day of community service Saturday to celebrate the day because so many people will be in classes during the events taking place today.

Everyone who participates in that event will receive a free T-shirt and be invited to attend a reception with University

President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh.

“We’re excited about making [this event] successful so it can happen again in the future,” Wan said.

As of Sunday, 68 students had signed up for the events that Wan and her committee organized off campus. Anyone can participate in the letter writing campaigns taking place from 12 p.m. to 4 in the Sorin Room in LaFortune.

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Assault

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on-campus offense. Violent assaults on campus are “very infrequent,” Johnson said.

After the assault occurred, the woman went to a friend’s apartment and then to a residence hall, where NDSP was contacted.

NDSP investigators met with the woman and will contact other law enforcement agencies to see if any similar crimes have been committed in the area, Johnson said.

NDSP asks anyone with information about the case to contact the investigations section at 574-631-8340.

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Pageant

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they attended the Mr. ND Pageant.

“We figured that we should do a pageant that showcased the African-Americans on campus in a different light other than academic or athletic and show that they are eloquent, graceful and have more talent than people thought,” Canty said.

She also said there was a limited presence of minorities in the other campus pageants and wanted to raise awareness of this pageant in the future.

As pageant winners, Dodson and Banks received \$50 gift certificates, a crown and a sash along with a year’s worth of bragging rights.

“I was really appreciative of the NAACP and everyone involved, and it really feels good to know that all of my hard work paid off,” Dodson said who participated in the pageant once before.

Banks became the first freshman to win the title of Ms. Ebony ND.

“I’m glad that I won,” she said. “I got a crown which was pretty awesome.”

She also said she liked the fact that a freshman won the title but felt that it may have also been nice if one of the upperclassmen had won since one of the other contestants was a senior.

The six contestants were judged by three individuals based on evening wear, personality, talent and a final question which touched on a variety of topics that included global warming and this year’s presidential elections.

Dodson’s talent competition included reading a poem and playing a song on his saxophone. Banks delivered a monologue before the judges.

The show began with a dance routine choreographed by Notre Dame senior Franchella Holland.

“I wanted something new that reflected royalty since it’s a pageant,” said Holland, whose choice of song and choreography was inspired by a scene from the popular film “Coming to America.”

All of the contestants were pleased with the new edition of the pageant.

“When I did the pageant my sophomore year, we didn’t have the opening number with all of the contestants dancing,” Dodson said. “That really showed how the pageant is progressing as far as creativity.”

Since the first Mr. and Ms. Ebony ND Pageant, organizers have strived to create an authentic atmosphere by judging competitors on real talents, Canty said.

Organizers and audience members noted they would like to see a larger audience in the future.

“It was a fair amount of people, but we would have liked to see all of the seats of Washington Hall filled on the same level as other cultural events so that everyone can support each other,” Dodson said. “I’m not just talking about the black community but the Notre Dame community as a whole since we are all peers.”

Canty asked the winners to wear their sashes to classes today as a way of promoting the pageant in the future.

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Matt Maher is a music minister/artist-in-residence at St. Timothy Church in Mesa, Arizona, the birthplace of the nationally-acclaimed *Life Teen* youth ministry program. He has recorded three albums, winning a Unity Award for rock album of the year for his 2006 release, *Overflow*.

For tickets, contact Meghan @ 219.455.7232

The party just got better...

ND vs. UConn Sunday, 5:00 Monogram Room

If you're one of the thousands in the Notre Dame family who've saved local lives by donating blood over the last year, join us for a FREE pregame reception in your honor on Sunday evening in the MONOGRAM ROOM at the Joyce Center. It's all FREE and it's all for you -- food, drinks, and a FREE t-shirt that tells everyone you've saved lives by donating blood. Just bring the invitation you got in the mail, and join us at 5:00 p.m. in the Monogram Room for the party in your honor. Enjoy food and drinks before we cheer on the #17 ranked Women's Basketball team take on #1 ranked UConn at 7:00pm.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Boy confesses to role in Bhutto murder

ISLAMABAD — A 15-year-old detained near the Afghan border has confessed to joining a team of assassins sent to kill Benazir Bhutto, officials said Saturday, announcing the first arrests in the case since the attack that killed the opposition leader.

Police also announced they had foiled new suicide attacks against the country's Shiite minority.

Interior Secretary Kamal Shah confirmed the arrest of two people in the town of Dera Ismail Khan in North West Frontier province, and said one — a teenage boy — had confessed involvement in the Dec. 27 attack that killed Bhutto. He said interrogators were trying to get corroborating testimony from the other detainee before accepting the confession.

Communist Party dominates election

HAVANA — Cubans ratified a slate of parliamentary candidates on Sunday including Fidel Castro, the ailing 81-year-old leader who has not been seen in public for nearly 18 months.

Only one choice appeared for each post in districts across the country and there was no campaigning. The Communist Party is the only party allowed, but the government says membership is not a prerequisite for the parliament that rubber stamps official party policy.

Still, Cubans lined before dawn to cast their ballots. Some 8.4 million voters were being asked to back 614 top Communists, career politicians, musicians and athletes for posts in the legislature, known as the National Assembly.

NATIONAL NEWS

Border Patrol agent killed by vehicle

PHOENIX — A Border Patrol agent killed by a suspected smuggler's vehicle he was trying to stop near the border was identified Sunday as a 32-year-old father of two.

Senior Patrol Agent Luis Aguilar was struck on Interstate 8 in the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area about 20 miles west of Yuma on Saturday, said Agent Michael Bernacke, a spokesman for the agency's Yuma sector.

Bernacke said Aguilar was trying to place spike strips in the path of two vehicles believed to have illegally entered the country from Mexico when one of the vehicles hit him.

Both vehicles drove back across the border into Mexico.

2 die in Los Angeles-area shootings

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Groups of gunmen attacked two separate parties during the night in the Los Angeles area, killing two teenagers and wounding at least nine other people, authorities said Sunday.

There were no immediate arrests in either shooting, police said.

The first shooting happened late Saturday at a Long Beach Masonic temple, where several gang members apparently crashed a birthday party and started a fight, police Sgt. Dina Zapalski said.

A 17-year-old boy and a 15-year-old girl died of gunshot wounds, Zapalski said. Another 17-year-old boy suffered injuries that were not life-threatening.

Hundreds of partygoers were taken by bus to a nearby elementary school, where police questioned them, Zapalski said.

LOCAL NEWS

Baby found with alcohol in system

MUNCIE — A woman and her fiancée face neglect charges as authorities say tests showed the woman's 11-month-old son had alcohol in his system after passing out.

The boy's father noticed his son was not responsive when he picked him up for a visit on Wednesday, police Lt. Al Williams said. A blood draw taken at an Anderson hospital measured the boy's blood-alcohol content at 0.118 percent, which is higher than the state legal limit to drive of 0.08 percent.

The boy's mother, 19-year-old Amanda Elbert, and her fiancée, Edward L. Williams, 29, were being held Sunday in the Delaware County Jail.

GAZA STRIP

Fuel blockage causes blackout

U.N. agencies, human rights groups condemn Israel after country cut power to Gaza City

Associated Press

GAZA CITY — Gaza City was plunged into darkness Sunday after Israel blocked the shipment of fuel that powers its only electrical plant in retaliation for persistent rocket attacks by Gaza militants.

The power cut sent already beleaguered Gazans to stock up on food and batteries in anticipation of dark, cold days ahead. Gaza officials warned the move would cause a health catastrophe while a U.N. agency and human rights groups condemned Israel.

"We have the choice to either cut electricity on babies in the maternity ward or heart surgery patients or stop operating rooms," Gaza Health Ministry official Dr. Moaiya Hassanain said.

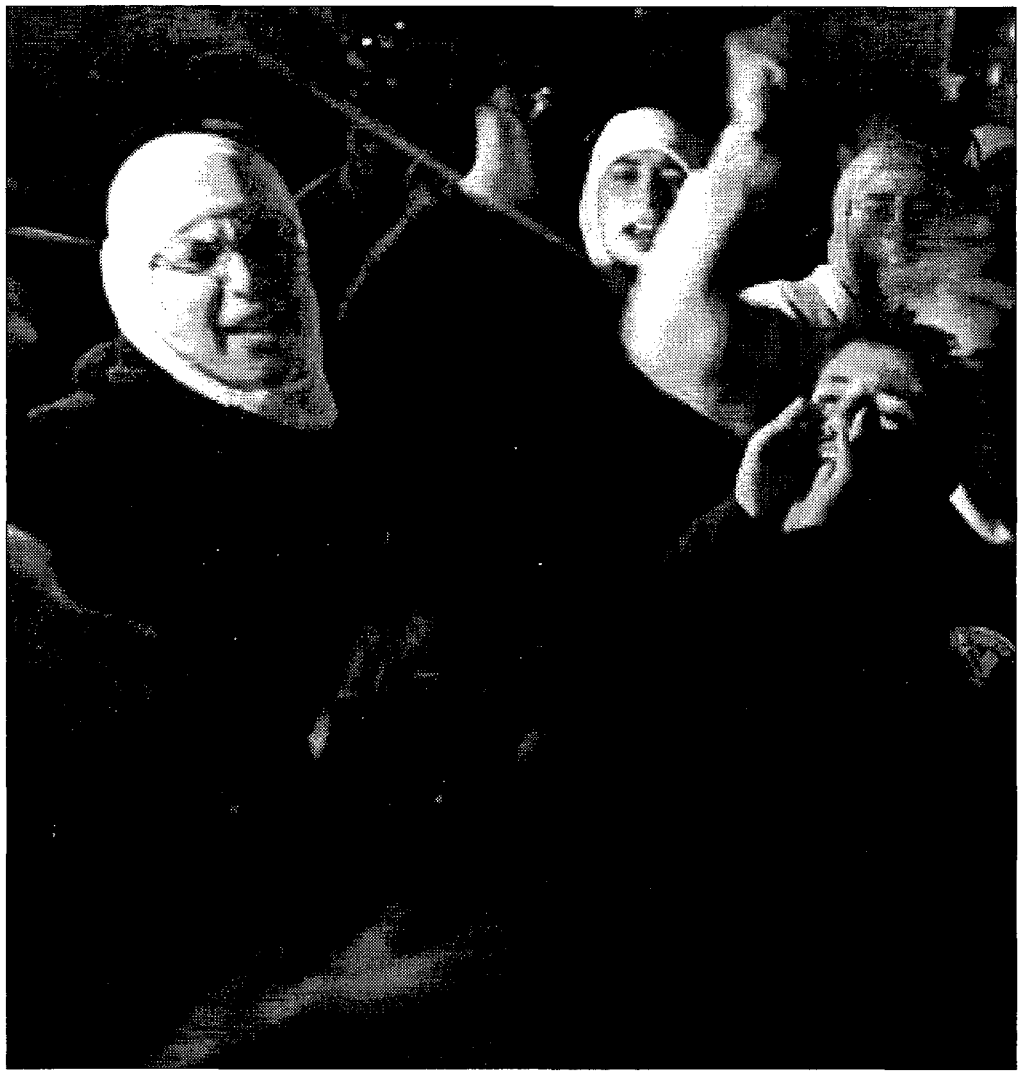
Four hours after the blackout, Hamas claimed that five patients died because of the cutoff of electricity in hospitals. The claim could not be confirmed.

Late Sunday, Israel carried out two airstrikes in Gaza City, Palestinian security officials said. The Israeli military confirmed both attacks in which a militant linked to Islamic Jihad was killed.

Israel justified the fuel cutoff because of continuous rocket attacks by Gaza militants. Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Arye Meckel said the Gaza Strip continues to receive 70 percent of its electricity supply directly from Israel, which would not be affected, and another 5 percent from Egypt.

The blackout "is a Hamas ploy to pretend there is some kind of crisis to attract international sympathy," Meckel told The Associated Press.

Late Sunday, Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas appealed to Israel to lift the blockade, said Abbas spokesman Nabil Abu Rdeneh. Abbas effectively rules only the West Bank after Hamas expelled his



Protesters chant anti-Israel slogans after the plant powering Gaza City was shut down Sunday. Israel cut power after rocket attacks by Gaza militants.

forces from Gaza last June.

The exiled leader of Hamas appealed to Abbas and Arab leaders, asking them to forget their differences and help the beleaguered Gazans.

"All Arab leaders, exercise real pressure to stop this Zionist crime ... take up your role and responsibility," Khaled Mashaal told Al-Jazeera satellite TV in a live interview from Syria, where he lives in exile. "We are not asking you to wage a military war against Israel ... but just stand with us in pride and honor."

Officials from the ruling Islamic militant group Hamas shut down the plant just before 8 p.m. and Gaza City went dark, Gaza Energy Authority head Kanan Obeid said. TV crews and

reporters were invited to witness the shutdown.

Minutes later, residents started a candlelight march as a protest. Live Associated Press TV pictures showed dots of light moving slowly up a darkened main street.

Israel has blockaded Gaza for seven months, since the Islamic militant Hamas overran the territory, allowing up until now only basic food items and humanitarian supplies into Gaza.

That changed Thursday when Defense Minister Ehud Barak ordered all crossings into Gaza closed because of a spike in rocket barrages, cutting off fuel supplies. Several weeks ago, Israel reduced the fuel supply as a pressure tactic.

A defiant Hamas said its attacks on Israel would not

cease because of the sanctions.

"We will not raise the white flag, and we will not surrender," Hamas spokesman Sami Abu Zuhri said Sunday.

The regular fuel shipment from Israel did not arrive Sunday because the fuel terminal was closed, and the power plant has almost no reserves, said Rafik Maliha, director of the power plant.

The U.N. organization in charge of Palestinian refugees warned the blockade would drastically affect hospitals, sewage treatment and water facilities.

"The logic of this defies basic humanitarian standards," said Christopher Guinness, spokesman for the U.N. Relief and Works Agency, or UNRWA.

Man offers information of body part theft

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The man accused of scheming to plunder bodies for parts used in thousands of tissue transplants is poised to plead guilty, and authorities and victims' relatives say his testimony could roil the billion-dollar industry.

In an effort to escape a lengthy jail sentence in cases in Philadelphia and New York, Michael Mastromarino has agreed to talk to investigators about the companies that bought the stolen tissue, said his lawyer, Mario Gallucci.

"Let's just say that he is going to assist them and give any information he has about the processors and their role," Gallucci said.

The companies that processed the tissue already face hundreds of civil lawsuits. But they claim they never knew the body parts weren't legitimately obtained and insist the former oral surgeon's plea deal, expected to be announced Tuesday, doesn't change anything.

The scandal broke two years when Mastromarino, then owner of Biomedical Tissue Services, was accused of furtively hacking up corpses from funeral homes in the Northeast. The body parts were sent to the processors, fetching as much as \$7,000 apiece.

Mastromarino, 44, was in a position to know exactly how the business operated and who knew what.

"Mastromarino can certainly tell us things that may lead us in directions we haven't been able to go before," said a law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity because the person wasn't authorized to speak publicly.

Mastromarino started BTS in 2001 and made plenty off the pilfered corpses. It wasn't a complicated business.

The bodies came from funeral homes in New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. BTS shipped the bone, skin and tendons to Regeneration Technologies Inc., LifeCell Corp. and Tutogen Medical Inc., all publicly traded companies, along with two nonprofits, Lost Mountain Tissue Bank and the Blood and Tissue Center of Central Texas.

McCarrick

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remained extremely Catholic. The idea of a vocation in the Church was presented to Basil at a young age.

When Moreau entered the seminary at the age of 12 or 13 years, his father walked him 60 kilometers from their home. When they arrived at the seminary, his father kissed him and then turned around and walked the 60 kilometers home. "This is a great story of family," McCarrick said.

Family would prove to be extremely important in the religious order that Moreau would go on to found, he added.

After his ordination, Moreau went on to study personal spirituality in Paris and teach philosophy, theology and Scripture at the seminary for 13 years. However, at age 35, Moreau realized

that "his call was a special one," McCarrick said. "He realized he was called for the re-evangelization of France."

Moreau was appointed superior of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd and formed a group of auxiliary priests to preach missions from town to town. He later became superior for a group of brothers. Moreau combined the sisters, priests, and brothers into one religious family.

"Basil had a vision of religious life as a family," McCarrick said.

While that idea may not seem revolutionary in 2008,

"Moreau was a founder, an apostle, a spiritual giant, a workaholic and a sometimes crank. But he had a vision that was so captivating that hundreds and hundreds of men and women joined his congregation. He had a vision of family, of caring and of total service."

Cardinal Theodore McCarrick

Moreau was the first person to articulate it at that time, McCarrick said.

Moreau was characterized by his intense desire to "put things in order," McCarrick said. "He had a willingness to change, but he loved to see things in order."

Moreau's priests, brothers and sisters numbered 278 members by 1847, but his bishop refused to support papal recognition of the congregation because of a prior feud dating from the bishop's time as rector of the seminary.

However, the triple congregation gained renown for their

specialty in education of "the heart, the mind, and the whole person," McCarrick said.

Moreau later sent members of his congregation on missions to Algiers, Algeria and Vincennes, Ind. In exchange for receiving papal recognition as a missionary congregation, Moreau also sent members to Bengal.

Despite his congregation's success, Moreau became embedded in crisis when financial problems arose. When a fire at Notre Dame caused Father Edward Sorin to rebuild the campus without waiting for permission from Moreau coincided with a massive debt in the Paris operations, the pope blamed Moreau for the problems. However, when Moreau offered his resignation as superior general of his order in 1860, the pope refused the offer.

Even before the financial problems arose, members of Moreau's order had begun a

campaign to remove him because of his autocratic ruling style. This movement gained traction as the debts mounted, and the pope eventually accepted Moreau's resignation in 1866. Moreau was effectively forced out of his own congregation.

Without his congregation, Moreau went to live at his blood sister's home and resumed his work as a missionary auxiliary priest attempting to re-evangelize France.

McCarrick credits Moreau's vision for Holy Cross's success over the years.

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Academy plans to host Oscars despite strike

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Film fans finally will soon learn who's competing for this season's Academy Awards. Now all we need to know is whether any nominees will turn up for the big show amid a writers strike that has thrown the awards season into turmoil.

The list of Oscar nominees Tuesday is expected to include such luminaries as Cate Blanchett, George Clooney, Daniel Day-Lewis and Angelina Jolie.

That smattering of talent alone would ensure that a lot of people at home would tune in to the Feb. 24 ceremony. But without the cooperation of the striking Writers Guild of America, celebrities might honor the union's picket lines and stay away from the Oscars, leaving the show's planners to either scrap the telecast or come up with some new form of Oscar ceremony unlike anything audiences have seen before.

The word around Hollywood is that the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has a backup plan to put on the show without the blessing of writers and stars, but they declined to disclose details.

Gil Cates, producer of the Oscar telecast, has vowed the show will come off no matter what, hinting the program could be padded with clips from 80 years of Oscar history if writers and stars do not cooperate.

Officially, the academy says it is moving ahead with the red carpet and awards ceremony as usual.

"We are planning to have our show on Feb. 24 at the Kodak Theatre with an audience of 3,300 people and a television audience significantly larger than that," said academy spokeswoman Leslie Unger.

Next to the Super Bowl, the Oscars are the most-watched annual broadcast in the United States. Last year, 40.2 million Americans tuned in to the Oscars.

The writers strike already took down Hollywood's second-biggest film honors, the Golden Globes. With the guild planning pickets outside and declining to let writers work on the show, stars fell in line and refused to attend.

The swanky, televised Globe banquet was scrapped and replaced with a news conference

to announce winners. No one showed up to accept awards in person.

If the Oscars were forced to go ahead with a show boycotted by nominees, a winner's name may not be preceded with the traditional phrase, "And the Oscar goes to ...", but something more like, "And we'll be sending over a courier to leave the Oscar on the doorstep of ..."

Academy executives and ABC, which airs the Oscars, hold out hope the strike might be over before the awards. If not, guild leader Patric Verrone has said the union also will not allow writers to work on the Oscars.

Writers walked off the job Nov. 5 over their share of potential profits from programming on the Internet and other new media. Awards shows have become key ammunition for the guild to try to bring producers back to the table after negotiations broke down Dec. 7. Talks could resume as early as this week.

Yet the Academy Awards are a big step above the Golden Globes and other honors jeopardized by the writers strike, so some in Hollywood think the guild might relent and let the Oscars go on as planned if the strike lingers until then.

"It would be in the writers' best interests to come to some kind of resolution, if only temporary, so the awards could go on," said Richard Zanuck, producer of Oscar best-picture winner "Driving Miss Daisy" and the recent Golden Globe winner for musical or comedy, "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street."

"Canceling the Academy Awards is something almost too big to contemplate. Any sympathy toward them in my estimation would evaporate."

Potential Oscar nominees include "Sweeney Todd" stars Johnny Depp and Helena Bonham Carter, along with the film's director, Tim Burton.

Among others in the running are Clooney for the legal drama "Michael Clayton," Day-Lewis for the oil-boom epic "There Will Be Blood," Jolie for the terrorism saga "A Mighty Heart" and Blanchett for the Bob Dylan tale "I'm Not There" and possibly the historical pageant "Elizabeth: The Golden Age."

Heritage

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be a greater participation rate than last year."

This year's theme is "An Affair to Remember." The beatification of Basil Moreau is also emphasized, Hodges said.

"The beatification of Father Moreau is of great importance within the context of this Heritage Week because he was an innovative and inspirational leader of the college," she said. "So, with the celebration mass, the scavenger hunt and presentations his spirit will live on through the students of the College."

On Monday, there will be a college scavenger hunt, a display in the Student Center Atrium and a French-themed dinner.

On Tuesday, there will be a lecture and discussion on major historical events and their relation to the College. The week will culminate with the annual Heritage Diner in Stapleton Lounge.

"Celebrating and embracing the essence of who we have been since 1844 until now will keep the vivaciousness in the

student population," Hodges said.

Hodges is optimistic about the week's events and hopes for increased student participation.

"I hope Heritage Week is a week-long of meaningful and joyous events that will get many students involved

in the past and current occurrences of the college," she said.

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NYSE	8,794.86	-24.09
S&P 500	1,325.19	-8.06
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FTSE 100 (London)	5,901.70	-0.70

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INTEL CP (INTC)	-1.71	-0.33	19.00

Treasuries

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IN BRIEF

Gold falls in Europe, dollar mixed

LONDON — The U.S. dollar was mixed against other major currencies in late European trading Friday. Gold fell.

The euro traded at \$1.4627, down from \$1.4673 late Thursday in New York. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro fetched \$1.4623.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Thursday, included 107.00 Japanese yen, unchanged from late Thursday; 1.1005 Swiss francs, up from 1.1003; and 1.0258 Canadian dollars, down from 1.0299.

The British pound was quoted at \$1.9555, down from \$1.9713.

In midday New York trading, the dollar bought 106.76 yen and 1.0992 Swiss francs, while the pound was worth \$1.9546.

Gold traded in London at \$878.18 per troy ounce, down from \$886.10 late Thursday. In Zurich, gold traded at \$879.95 per troy ounce, down from \$885.45.

Stock market falls as investors pull out

NEW YORK — Wall Street ended a painful week with another decline Friday as skittish investors unable to hold on to much optimism about the economy drew little comfort from President Bush's stimulus plan.

The day's trading reflected how fractious Wall Street has been in the new year. Investors pulled back from a big early advance, with the major indexes trading mixed as Bush began to speak. By the time the president finished announcing a plan for about \$145 billion worth of tax relief, the indexes were well into negative territory.

"It's disappointing in the size of the economic growth package. Wall Street's showing its displeasure," said Kim Caughey, equity research analyst at Fort Pitt Capital Group in Pittsburgh. "Honestly, I think the institutional investors understand the limits to the government's ability to enact economic change."

Steven Goldman, chief market strategist at Weeden & Co., contends Wall Street remains concerned about whether other economic troubles are lurking.

"It's a culmination of factors that have been in existence for a while — it's the unknown," he said.

Leaders look to rescue economy

Bush, House discuss growth package to prevent a recession as stock market declines

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It didn't take long for President Bush to find a symbol for his desire to prime the sagging economy.

At a factory in Frederick, Md., Bush eyed a huge, yellow standup lawnmower and declared: "Crank this sucker up."

Once the engine was roaring, he jumped aboard, grabbed the controls and playfully gave it a spin.

Bush's cheerful lawnmower ride followed his much more sober remarks earlier Friday at the White House, where he called for up to \$150 billion in tax relief for consumers and business to stave off the first national recession since 2001.

With economic fears rising and the stock market tumbling, Bush said there was no time to waste.

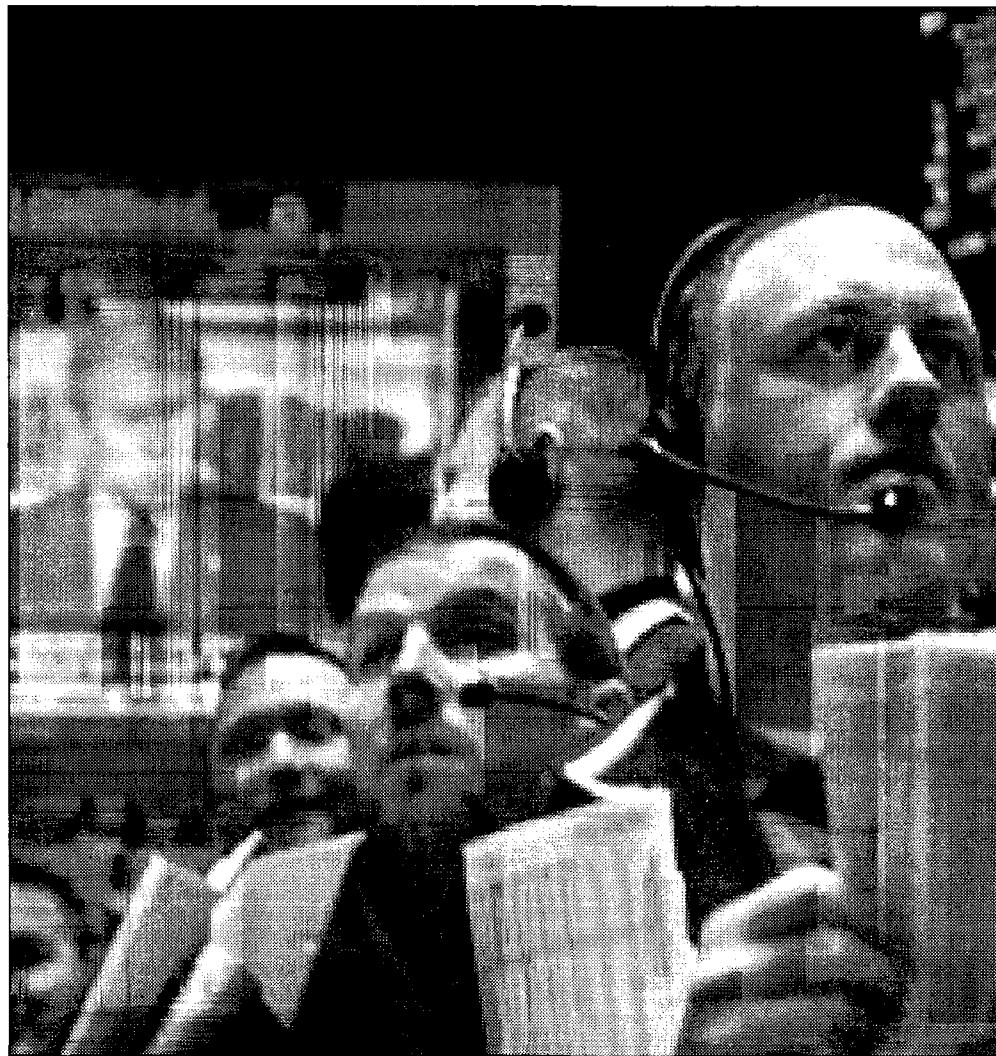
His urgent remarks gave fresh impetus to congressional leaders already hard at work on an economic rescue package that would include extra money for food stamps and jobless benefits in addition to tax rebates of hundreds of dollars each for millions of Americans. The hope is that people would immediately spend those rebates and give the economy a badly needed boost.

"I believe we can come together on a growth package very quickly, and we're going to need to," Bush said.

Wall Street remained skeptical. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 59.91 points after plummeting 306 points a day earlier.

Bush said the rescue effort should be both quick and temporary, a one-time boost for a national economy that is in danger of sliding into recession if it hasn't already edged across that line.

Despite darkening economic reports, he said at the



Traders at the Chicago Board of Trade look on as Bush delivers his economic message Friday, acknowledging the chance of recession and offering a tax rebate as a solution.

Wright Manufacturing plant that if Congress passes a quick federal relief package, "We're gonna be just fine."

At the White House, Bush avoided the word "recession" but acknowledged the economy was severely strained by the long housing slump and high oil prices.

"There is a risk of a downturn," he said.

For a stimulus package to have much impact, he said it would need to represent roughly 1 percent of the gross domestic product, or about \$140 billion to \$150 billion.

On Capitol Hill,

Democratic leaders pledged to cooperate with Bush and congressional Republicans. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., had criticized Bush on Thursday for deciding to speak publicly on the package before a deal had been struck, but Reid said Friday he was encouraged by the president's remarks.

Some Democrats, though, said they were disappointed that Bush had focused only on taxes.

"We want a balanced package of tax rebates for the middle class and spending stimuli that jump-start

the economy quickly. The president has included one; he also needs the other to quickly improve our economy," said Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., said that "we cannot forget that any effective stimulus plan must start and end with America's working families. The people who are struggling every day to pay their bills, heat their homes, and pay their mortgages need our help now, and helping them is the best way to be certain that any stimulus goes directly into the economy."

Amtrak reaches deal favoring unions

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Facing a possible strike that could have stranded hundreds of thousands of commuters, Amtrak reached a preliminary deal Friday that apparently heavily favors the railroad's nine unions, who have worked for years without a contract.

The tentative contract includes back pay totaling more than three times what Amtrak was offering and none of the concessions on work rules that Amtrak had been seeking, said Joel Parker, a spokesman for the Transportation Communications International Union and a lead negotiator.

While the month's-end strike was considered unlikely, the mere prospect of it had regional rail services across the Eastern Seaboard scrambling in recent days to put backup plans in place.

"We have averted a possible strike that could have had a crippling effect on the lives of millions of Americans,"

Amtrak President and CEO Alex Kummant said in a news release.

Details of the agreement will not be released until it is ratified by affected union members in the next several weeks, according to a statement from Amtrak.

People familiar with the labor agreement, some speaking on condition of anonymity because the details had not been formally announced, said it adopts the recommendations of a presidential emergency board report issued Dec. 30. The board's report, which recommended that Amtrak grant back wages to its workers, triggered a 30-day countdown until a strike became legal.

Included in the deal are wage increases that average 35.2 percent over the life of the agreement from January 2000 through Dec. 31, 2009 — or about 3.1 percent per year, said W. Dan Pickett, head of the Passenger Rail Labor Coalition, who was involved in the deal.

Amtrak spokesman Cliff Black said

there appears to be a "pretty universal feeling" that the agreement will be ratified.

Michael Troy, an Amtrak communications and signal maintainer and union representative in Downingtown, Pa., said workers have faced increasing economic hardships.

"Every Christmas got harder and harder for the workers," he said, with some forced to work overtime or take on second jobs to make house and car payments.

"Finally you can feel the morale," Troy said. "There seems to be some hope here."

If Amtrak workers had walked out for the first time in the railroad's 36-year history, the 71,000 people who use the service every day would not have been the only ones affected. Hundreds of thousands of people who ride commuter trains also would have suffered because many such services depend on Amtrak employees or infrastructure, particularly in the Northeast.

KENYA

Fighting erupts as election is disputed

Associated Press

NAIROBI — Several people were beaten and hacked to death with machetes in a Nairobi slum Sunday in renewed ethnic fighting over Kenya's disputed election, residents said.

Elsewhere, police managed to quell more than two days of fierce fighting around a Catholic monastery that killed 22 people and left 200 homes burned in the Rift Valley, 190 miles northwest of the capital Nairobi, officials said.

The re-election of President Mwai Kibaki has tapped into a well of resentments that resurfaces regularly at election time in Kenya. But never before has it been so prolonged or taken so many lives.

A government commission says more than 600 people have been killed in violence that erupted after the Dec. 27 election, which opposition leader Raila Odinga accused Kibaki of stealing.

As Kibaki's power becomes more entrenched each day, the opposition's best hope may rest in wrangling a power-sharing agreement that might make Odinga prime minister or vice president. International mediation has so far failed to broker such a deal.

Odinga has called for another "peaceful protest" on Thursday, saying, "let them bring their guns and we will face them." The protest will take place in defiance of a ban and despite the deaths of at least 24 people in three days of protests last week — most of them blamed on police.

Sunday's bloodshed in Nairobi's Mathare slum, like much of the fighting since the vote, was between the Kikuyu and Luo ethnic groups, said resident Boniface Shikami. President Kibaki is a Kikuyu and Odinga is a Luo.

Shikami said Luos in his street had received notices warning them to leave by nightfall or risk attack.

One man staggered past with blood streaming from the stump of his arm, which had been cut off with a machete. The arm was taken by a group of youths and placed on top of a pile of stones barricading an alleyway.

The maimed man, Peter Kyalo, arrived later at Kenyatta Hospital. He said he was warned on Saturday night by Luo friends he might be targeted because he is a Kamba, the same tribe as the vice president, a former presidential candidate who joined Kibaki's government this month.

In a separate incident, around 50 people attacked welder Dominic Owour, a 23-year-old Luo, and tried to cut off both his hands at the forearm, Owour said.

Both men said police watching the attacks did not intervene.

Dr. Njoroge Waithaka said 13 people had been admitted to Kenyatta Hospital from the area around Mathare, mostly with ax and machete cuts on the upper limbs and head. Filipe Rebeiro of aid group Doctors Without Borders said his organization had treated 10 people for machete and ax wounds on Sunday morning alone.

Joshua Omukulong, the area

police chief, confirmed at least two people died from overnight fighting.

Resident Moses Ogolla said he saw four bodies loaded into a police vehicle Sunday morning with deep machete cuts.

"I think it was a gang who attacked them because some bodies, the head had six, seven, eight cuts on it," he said. Ogolla said that he believed the victims were Luo because he heard relatives conversing in the Luo language. "The Luo guys say they are going to avenge this."

In the Rift Valley, around the Catholic Kipkelion Monastery, fighting since Friday has pitted Kalenjin people native to the area against Kisii and Kikuyus who settled there in the 1960s and 1970s.

Police appeared to have quelled the violence by early Sunday afternoon but still were recovering bodies.

A local reporter at the scene counted 14 people dead from machete wounds, three bodies stuck with arrows and five people shot dead by police.

The death toll also was confirmed by district administrator Aden Alhake, who said some 200 homes have been burned down in three days of clashes.

Land always has been a tool of Kenyan politicians, who distribute it as favors to their own and allied tribes, and use it as a weapon, settling their supporters in hostile areas in order to win votes at election time.

In the Rift Valley, Kalenjin people who feel they have been wrongly stripped of their land generally support the opposition.

Edward Ndirangu, who said two of his houses were razed, was searching for his wife and three children.

"I am not sure about their safety. ... We fled as they were looting and torched my homes," he said.

He said the Kalenjin were the aggressors. Alhake said 2,500 people taking refuge at three schools and the monastery all were Kikuyu and Kisii.

IRAQ

Shiite holy festival held peacefully

Muslims begin heading home after celebrating formerly banned ritual

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Hundreds of thousands of Shiite Muslims clambered aboard buses or began trekking homeward on foot Saturday at the end of Ashoura, a 10-day ritual to cleanse the spirit and scourge the body in honor of their founding saint.

The high holy days in Karbala passed absent the slaughter of pilgrims witnessed in the years since the U.S.-led invasion nearly half a decade ago, but militants did assault gatherings of Ashoura worshippers elsewhere.

Fearing a spectacular attack on the masses of self-flagellating faithful who marched on the shrines in Karbala, Iraqi authorities flooded the city with 30,000 police and soldiers. Soviet-made tanks guarded approach roads.

A relatively uneventful passage of Ashoura had been seen by U.S. and Iraqi officials as a rigorous test of the decline in violence in the country since Washington sent in 30,000 additional troops last year and many Sunni insurgents suddenly joined American forces in the fight against al-Qaida in Iraq.

On Saturday, a rocket slammed into a busy market in the northern city of Tal Afar, killing at least seven people who had completed the ritual and gathered there afterward, according to Najim Abdullah, the mayor.

Two bombs hidden under trash blasted an Ashoura procession in Kirkuk, killing at least two, said police Brig. Gen. Burhan Tayeb Taha. Kirkuk, 180 miles north of Baghdad, has seen a rise in violence as militants have fled crackdowns elsewhere.

And earlier in the week 20 people were killed in two suicide bombings against groups assembled for Ashoura in Diyala province, the still-violent and religiously mixed territory north of Baghdad.

But in Karbala, provincial Gov. Aqil al-Khazali said 2 million Ashoura pilgrims passed

peacefully through the holy city, home to the golden domed mosques of Imam Hussein and his half brother Imam Abbas.

The festival, largely banned by Saddam Hussein and his minority Sunni Muslim regime, recalls the death of Hussein, grandson of the Prophet Muhammad, in a seventh century battle near Karbala. The combat defined the split between Islam's Sunni and Shiite sects.

Men wearing black or white robes danced in circles and chanted as they swayed in unison.

They pounded their chests, slashed their heads and beat their bloodied foreheads with the flat sides of swords and knives.

Abbas Mohammed, wearing a black shirt and pants to symbolize his grief over Hussein's death, traveled from Baghdad to Karbala.

"I came ... in defiance of terrorists and difficulties," the 41-year-old health ministry employee said.

Naseer Mohammed, a 35-year-old Karbala resident, spoke with his face bloodied after he cut his forehead with a sword as part of the rituals.

"I do not feel any pain despite the blood. The security measures were little bit excessive and they create delays and difficulties for us, yet they make us feel safer," he said.

While there was no catastrophic attack during Ashoura, Sunni and Shiite militants kept up the steady, although diminished, level of violence Saturday in regions to the north. Bombs, suicide assaults, rockets and death squad murder left behind the corpses of at least 21 more Iraqis, including those killed in Kirkuk and Tal Afar.

In Basra and Nasiriyah, south of Karbala, authorities put the final death toll at 72 when fighting ended Saturday after security forces stormed a mosque and ousted holdout members of the Soldiers of Heaven cult.

The militants, some of whom

reportedly have a number tattooed in blue ink on the back of their necks, seek to invoke chaos as a means of inspiring the return of the "Hidden Imam" — also known as the Mahdi — a descendant of Muhammad who disappeared as a child in the ninth century. Shiites believe he will return one day to bring justice to the world.

Basra police chief Maj. Gen. Abdul-Jalil Khalaf said at least 44 people were killed in Iraq's second-largest city — seven officers, two civilians and 35 gunmen — while dozens more were wounded and 100 gunmen were arrested.

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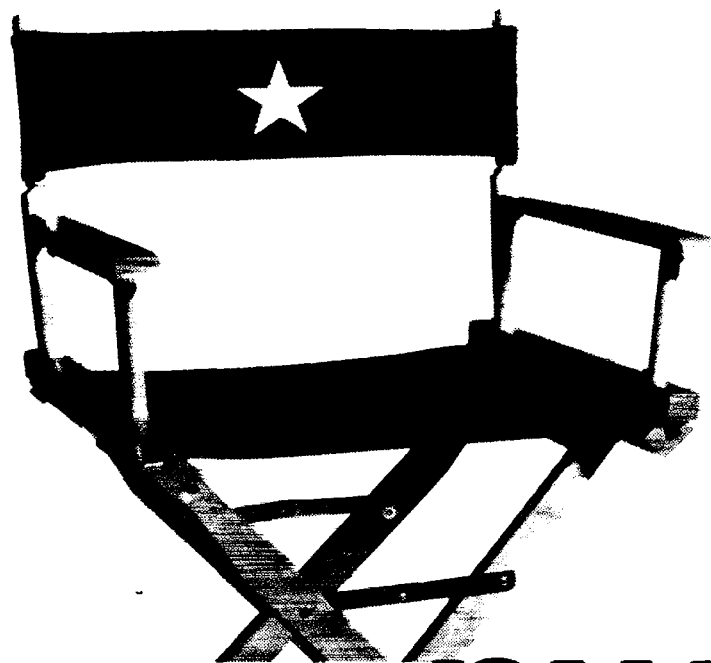
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"If it's yellow, let it mellow; if it's brown, flush it down." Dustin Hoffman immortalized these words in Meet the Fockers as a hippie dad whose wife teaches sex moves to retirees.

So, imagine my surprise when I come home for Thanksgiving, to my white-trim, suburban Atlanta home, and the first motherly instruction I receive starts, "If it's yellow, let it mellow ..."

Did my family go off the deep end since I've been gone? Have my parents suddenly lost respect for the concept of cleanliness? Am I going to have to refer to my mother as Humming Starshine from now on?

None of the above. I'm from Georgia. Reiterate: Georgia. Deep South, Bible Belt, Dixie. You Midwesterners don't know red until you've ventured farther than a state past the Mason-Dixon Line. If you hear the word "hippie" down there, it's probably preceded by "damn." People actually started buying larger trucks as a response to the oil shortage scare after Katrina, just to prove that we're American and will do whatever the hell we want.

And yet, now, it's in my home state, that same Georgia, where people are starting to take rationing and conservation seriously. For those of you unfamiliar with Georgia's current water situation, it's not good. Metro Atlanta draws most of its drinking water from Lake Lanier, a 38,000-acre man-made lake that came into being when the Army Corps of Engineers dammed up the Chattahoochee River in 1956. Georgia gets a decent amount of rain, but the recent frequency of precipitation has been spotty at best. This summer and fall have been abnormally dry, and the record low water level set this

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Flush that pride away

fall, and still lingering, is 19 feet below the full lake levels.

So, because of the scarcity, many households are shifting to the policy of decreased flushes. Gradually, yes, but in ways that would invariably earn one "wuss" status even last year. At the University of Georgia, there were designated "flushers" at their last few home games. Saved a bunch of water — in fact, Athens (location of UGA) has decreased its water usage by 10 percent already. Shorter showers have become not just a time-saver, but a type of community outreach.

Dry years happen anywhere, they should be expected. Even the new record low is only half a foot below the previous record low, set in 1981. Why does it seem so much worse this time, then?

Because Atlanta is the epitome of a boom town. Okay, maybe we can call it a boom city. Back in 1960, metro Atlanta's population was just over a million people. By 1980, we were at 2.2 million, 4.1 million in 2000, and in 2008, metro Atlanta now has an estimated population of 5.3 million people.

This kind of growth can not be planned for, no matter how driven or innovative the leadership. Ecosystems cannot sustain such an immense and sudden strain on resources. The same population explosions are happening in China, India and Africa to much greater degrees and to infrastructures that are much less equipped to handle shortages than our seemingly helpless southern states. We all see, through famine, pollution problems and disease, how impossible it's proving for these foreign, developing regions to respond to stresses of overpopulation.

The willful ignorance happening in the South — the roommate who feels his showers are a natural right, the household that thinks its toilet needs to be flushed every time to maintain societal respectability — is the invol-

untary ignorance plaguing third world countries. They don't have supplies to combat famine or the means to control their population. Our trap is self-inflicted; buying a low-flow showerhead is economically feasible for most American families. In some communities, plumbers are even installing similar water-savers for free.

The point is, we have the resources to counteract our enormous and unsustainable use of natural resources. Other countries don't. But when we take no action, why is it? Because acting, changing, is inconvenient.

Yet, in places like northern Georgia, the attitude of wasteful pride is starting to change. Maybe — okay, definitely — just because we're being forced into it; within four months, Lake Lanier's water levels may be too low for it to supply northern Georgia with drinking water. But, if one problem can so significantly change the mindsets of an entire subculture in mere months, can't the rest of us with financial and material possibilities at our fingertips trim down our wasteful lifestyles, just a little? The next time you go home, are you going to be able to shower the way you're used to? A lot of us won't. A lot of us will be letting the toilet mellow. And that may seem gross — with good reason. But it's reality, it's no longer a flower-child saying that the rest of society giggles at. And there's something truly humbling in not only accepting that, but also picking up the unfamiliar yoke and actually carrying it yourself.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If you hate a person, you hate something in him that is part of yourself. What isn't part of ourselves doesn't disturb us."

Hermann Hesse
German poet

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Saints found all over campus

Like the Church, the Center for Social Concerns is more than a building. The Center is defined primarily by the people who have been making it an active reality for the last 25 years. This year is no different. Although the location is different — behind the Rockne Memorial — the flesh and blood of the Center is every bit as lively as usual. Students are carrying on with regular service locally, nationally and internationally through immersion trips, experiential learning, lectures (like the upcoming presentation by William Joyce Wilson Jan. 27 on poverty and inequality), community work, or coursework toward a Catholic Social Teaching minor. The new site is already abuzz with students registering for spring courses, conferences, spring break trips and other service and educational opportunities.

It is fitting, too, that the diverse community that makes the Center for Social Concerns a flesh and blood reality should be christening the new transitional site just as the Holy Cross community (also known as CSC) celebrated the first feast day for its founder, the recently beatified Basil Moreau, on Sunday. The recent conference at McKenna Hall on saints in the Christian tradition paid great tribute to this essential teaching of the Church.

The Catholic Church has traditionally understood itself as a community of saints, some

who are listed in the canon because of their martyrdom, miracles and lives of exemplary Christian service and faith. Most saints in this Catholic tradition, however, are less well-known. Certainly it is good to recognize how people like Basil Moreau demonstrate how to live out the loving example of Christ in service and faith, but it is also good to recognize the saints next door, those who show us the love of Christ by taking out our trash, by recycling, by offering a warm greeting on that cold January morning when we need it most, by calling to see if we need a little more money to pay for textbooks this semester.

It is this long tradition of serving together, praying together and acting in loving solidarity of our neighbor near and far that provides the flesh and blood of the living Church on earth. You don't have to go to the Center for Social Concerns to find saints in our midst. If you do come to the new Center site, however, you will likely bump into some extraordinary people.

Mary Tracy
graduate student
off campus
Jan. 18

U-WIRE

Students should explore life without TV

Once upon a time, people would go out almost every night of the week, whether over to the neighbors' place for dinner or out to a club for dinner and dancing or simply over to the local theater for a movie and newsreel. This was before the entertainment leviathan that is television appeared.

Before TV changed the way we relax, radio was the only option for entertainment and before radio, all people had was — get this — books.

As a result I think people were generally more inclined to seek out others for entertainment; communities were closer because, on some level, people had nothing better to do.

Not all television is bad; it has helped us learn more about our world. We have access to 24-hour news, round-the-clock weather reports, how-to shows for virtually any project you can imagine, documentaries on any number of things from past, present and future, and some truly quality programming.

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TV is an easy way for society to gain access to and disseminate information. It has become an ingrained part of our society, and I doubt that it's going away any time soon.

However, there are some truly abysmal things on TV, and I'm convinced that some shows are actually making people dumber and actively contributing to our deteriorating sense of community.

Content aside, however, it seems that TV has usurped a place in our society that people used to fill. They've been replaced by televised stand-ins. I think that, in the end, we are worse off because of it. No longer does there seem to be a strong level of involvement in our communities.

We have our distinct social circles in which we are active; we share our experiences with our close personal friends and family. But how many of you can truly claim to be a part of your community — or even your school's community?

Instead of going out to meet people, taking part in activities or socializing with others, I think we often sit and watch TV. It's easier and a lot less work, but you also get less out of it.

This is part of a larger trend in American culture toward privacy and personal space. When we no longer rely on each other for entertainment, we lose something in our appreciation of others.

And this phenomenon is destroying, or at the very least changing, what community means to America.

I am not sure much can be done to change this phenomenon in our society, but you can take a stand in your personal life.

You're probably not ready to give up TV altogether (although I assure you can, in fact, live very well without it), so instead be cognizant of just how much time you spend in front of the idiot box.

Take note of what else you could be doing instead of watching TV, and think about what you're missing out on.

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Stick to the grease

A Big Mac from McDonald's alone has 590 calories and accounts for 52 percent of a person's total fat intake based on a 2000-calorie-a-day diet.

The numbers behind the beefy monolith suggest that the sandwich be viewed as a once-in-a-while type of meal, surely not one to be made into a regular staple of the everyday American diet.

That being said, the fact of the matter is that McDonald's puts out a greasy, meaty, salty and undeniably savory product, one that if consumed often, will spur an increase in one's daily caloric intake and may lead to other health problems related with dramatic weight gain.

The standard unit of the McDonald's operation, the value meal, generally consists of a sandwich, a collection of fries and a soft drink, but when did a yoga DVD sneak into the bag?

I recently found a collection of McDonald's fitness DVDs lying around my house during winter break and became confused.

Suspecting a joke, I questioned my mom on the actual contents of the discs and was reaffirmed that these were, in fact, 15-minute fitness oriented videos that could be obtained at the same place Ronald McDonald hangs out.

While all the emphasis on becoming more fit and leading a healthier and more active lifestyle is certainly a positive

thing, is McDonald's really the right place to turn to for advice regarding fitness?

Comedian Lewis Black often refers to IHOP as his health club, but they're not enlisting the service of fitness experts and providing a series of DVDs with focus on aerobic fitness and flexibility.

It seems McDonald's is combating the growing problem of obesity in America by providing such discs, and such nutritional information as well as promoting a more active lifestyle, but why can't I just have my extra-large value meal in all its glory?

When I walk into McDonald's, I'm not there for the fitness tips or the yoga DVDs. I don't want to be hassled by Ronald to get active. I want my Quarter Pounder with cheese and no pickles, a large fry and a large Coke.

Burger joints like McDonald's are trying to recreate themselves to seem more fitness oriented in order to remain popular among consumer Americans, but there's got to be a line drawn on just how far they're going.

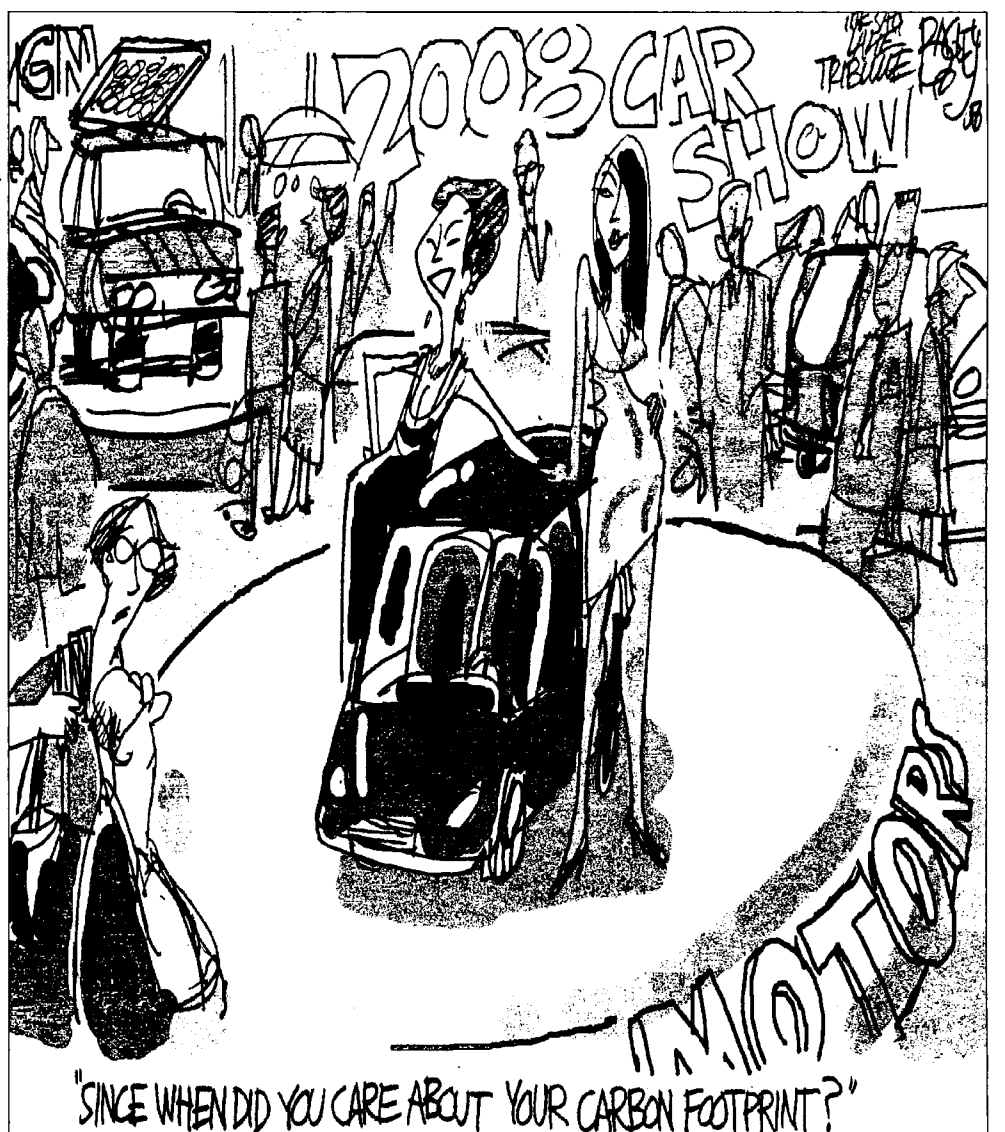
McDonald's should stop wasting money trying to appeal to the obsessive nutritionist and just worry about doing what they do best, serving up the grease.

Once in a while, it couldn't hurt to grab a Big Mac.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON





NAPOLEON SUAREZ

By TAE ANDREWS
Scene Editor

Notre Dame graduate-turned-rapper Napoleon Suarez cites two sources of inspiration for his second album, "American Scholar:" actor Denzel Washington and rapper Jay-Z. The pair recently collaborated on the critically acclaimed blockbuster film "American Gangster," with Washington providing the on-screen brilliance and Jay-Z supplying an album by the same name. The film depicts the rise to fame, fortune and ultimate fall of Frank Lucas, a heroin kingpin in Harlem during the late 1960s and early 1970s.

"I am a huge Jay-Z fan and I appreciated the album for what it was," Suarez said. "I felt it was a glamorization of the life of a gangster. His lyrics offered genuine insight into the life of a hustler who rose from nothing to something. He touched on the drugs, the money, the women, and 'the life.' Jay painted such a beautiful picture of an American gangster that it seemed almost like a hustler's American dream."

Much like Denzel Washington's portrayal of Lucas, Suarez's dream of rising from nothing to something has pushed him throughout his career, although he has taken a different channel to success than the back alleys Lucas took in his rise to prominence.

As a 2000 graduate of Notre Dame, Suarez mentioned how his college education here in South Bend separates him from many other rappers, who

along a different path," he said. "School was my hustle. Instead of being in the streets hustling, I was in the classroom studying. I always dreamt of having the finer things in life, but I had a different way to

get them. So I wanted to glamorize the life of a scholar. I wanted young kids to look up to me the same way the young kids looked up to Frank Lucas in the movie. Just as Jay Z did in his album by speaking on the heaven and hell of his lifestyle, I tried to do the same in my album.

"I speak on the good: having money, being respected, having benefits, and freedom/stability. But I also speak on the bad: being in cubicle all day, working long hours, and just basically having to grow up and be responsible. I wanted a complete picture to be painted and I think I did a good job of that."

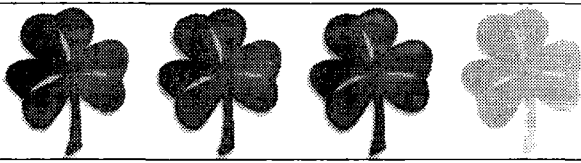
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Napoleon

American Scholar Napoleon Suarez

Label: None
Recommended Tracks: "East Side High" and "All Around Da World"





EZ SOPHOMORE ALBUM FUELS THE SECOND RISE OF SUAREZ

first album, "Napoleon Dynamite," as "more personal" than his second CD, Suarez notes that "American Scholar" marks his progress as a creative artist.

"[The first album] was me and only me. I had my whole life to create it," he said. "The second album is my best work by far. My lyrics are so much more complex."

"I had to step outside the box and not just speak about my life as an American scholar, but incorporate the life of other scholars as well. I wanted it to be a collage of different points of views and events. It is definitely edgier. I took a lot more chances on the album as well. I wanted to put an album out and not care if people would like it or not."

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said.

Napoleon Suarez also said that he plans on spending less time worrying this year and more time working on his craft.

"I really stressed myself in '07 worrying about getting a record deal and getting my foot in the door," he said. "I felt like I wasn't a good artist because I wasn't signed. I now know that I don't need a deal to prove my talent." Suarez said that positive feedback from friends and fans alike continues to spur his efforts on.

"That type of feedback is what drives me and makes me want to be in the studio until two in the morning when I have to wake up at six for work," he said. "Having a deal would be nice, but I know I'm good at what I do."

Suarez also collaborates with a few different artists on "Scholar," including his friend and fellow performer Lawrence Santiago, also of former Notre

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Napoleon Suarez

other artists. It's funny how that works out sometimes."

Suarez is currently in the midst of a college tour, intended as a gesture of appreciation for his fans. Part of that tour included a stop at Legends November 15 of last year. "My alma mater has always been my biggest supporter," he said. "The people are why we do the music in the first place. I guess you can call it a thank you for everyone showing us support."

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NFL

Patriots stay perfect, one win away from history

After missing two late field goals, Tynes comes through with game-winner to place Giants in Super Bowl

Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — "Now we can look ahead."

Bill Belichick, a coach of few words, said it all with that sentence after his New England Patriots claimed the AFC championship trophy.

Looking ahead means only one thing: A trip to the Super Bowl, and a chance to give their perfect record a whole new meaning.

Despite a shaky Tom Brady, the Patriots were still too much for the banged-up San Diego Chargers, pulling out a 21-12 victory Sunday that sent them back to the NFL title game for the fourth time in seven seasons.

"There was history on the line," Patriots linebacker Tedy Bruschi said. "We recognize it, we acknowledge it."

Brady made several stunningly poor throws that fluttered in the wind. Randy Moss was a non-factor for the second straight game and the highest-scoring team in NFL history sputtered all afternoon. Instead, the Patriots (18-0) relied on Laurence Maroney's spins, cuts and helmet-rattling runs.

With injured Chargers star LaDainian Tomlinson reduced to mostly watching in a parka, the

Patriots moved on to a Feb. 3 matchup in Glendale, Ariz., against the New York Giants.

The Giants beat Green Bay 23-20 in overtime for the NFC championship. New England closed out its regular season by beating the Giants in a 38-35 thriller.

Yet for all the Brady Bunch has accomplished — they're the only team in NFL history to start out with 18 straight victories — the Patriots are well aware they must win that final game to avoid being relegated to a footnote.

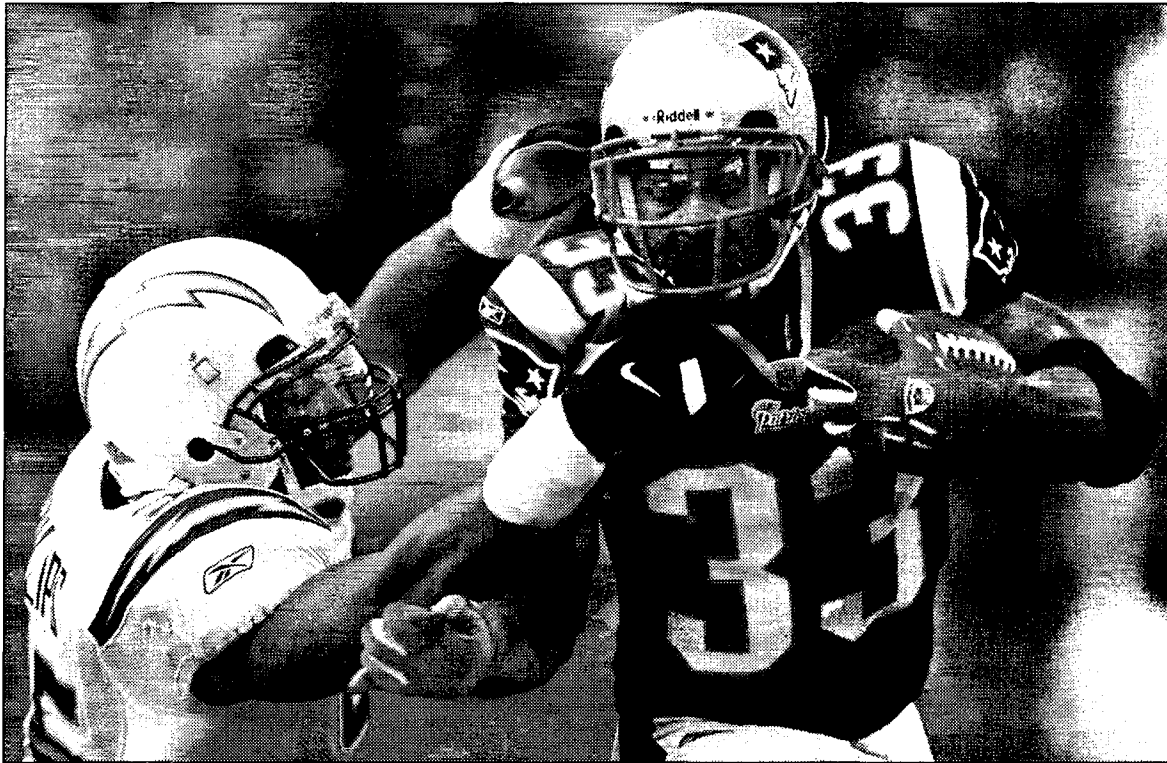
"We'll try to elevate our game for one last performance," said Brady, MVP in two of the three Super Bowls he's won.

Brady, coming off a record-setting 50 TD passes, threw for two scores. He also tossed a season-high three interceptions.

No matter, New England took care of the nuts and bolts on a most chilly day. The sellout crowd at Gillette Stadium chanted "Super Bowl! Super Bowl!" in the closing minutes, anticipating the Pats' first appearance in the big game since the 2004 season.

Belichick's team eclipsed the 17-0 mark of the champion 1972 Miami Dolphins, and he'll soon try for his fourth NFL title.

"I think there will be a time to sit back and reflect," Belichick



New England running back Kevin Faulk breaks a tackle from linebacker Shaun Phillips in a 21-12 Patriots victory Sunday in the AFC Championship game.

said. "We'll certainly enjoy this for a few days."

Giants 23, Packers 20

Eli Manning has arrived, just in time to take his New York Giants on an improbable trip to the Super Bowl.

A suddenly matured Manning guided the Giants to their 10th straight road win Sunday, a frost-bitten 23-20 overtime victory over the Green Bay Packers for the NFC championship.

Now comes Mission Impossible for Manning and the Giants, who will play the unbeaten New England Patriots in two weeks for the NFL title.

After Lawrence Tynes missed a 36-yard field goal at the end of regulation following a bad snap, he got a reprieve in overtime following Corey Webster's interception of a struggling Brett Favre. He nailed a 47-yarder on his third attempt to win it, then sprinted directly to the locker room as the rest of his frozen teammates celebrated on the field.

"I screwed it up twice," Tynes said. "Thank God we got another opportunity."

The Giants grabbed their first NFC championship in seven years, capping a monthlong surge that reversed a trend of mediocrity built around Manning's inconsistency. He has been a revelation

in the playoffs, however, and his calm leadership keyed New York's turnaround.

Manning shook off below-zero temperatures and a wind chill that would make a Siberian husky shiver. He repeatedly put the Giants (13-6) in position to win in the third-coldest championship game ever — and certainly the most frigid of his young career.

And then he saw Tynes make his first game-winning field goal of the season in the first OT title game in nine years.

It was the second NFC title game to go to overtime. Atlanta beat Minnesota 30-27 in 1999.

One year after older brother Peyton finally won a Super Bowl, earning MVP honors to boot, here comes Eli.

Just a month ago, Eli's moxie was being questioned as the Giants struggled to clinch a wildcard berth. He responded with the best work of his four-year career, including four touchdown passes in the season finale against the Patriots.

He and the Giants are getting another shot at New England, the first team to go 18-0. The Patriots will be after their fourth Super Bowl title in seven years on Feb. 3 at Glendale, Ariz., as well as the first completely perfect season since Miami went 17-0 in 1972.

But don't discount New York,

which led the Patriots by 12 points in the third quarter before falling 38-35 on Dec. 29.

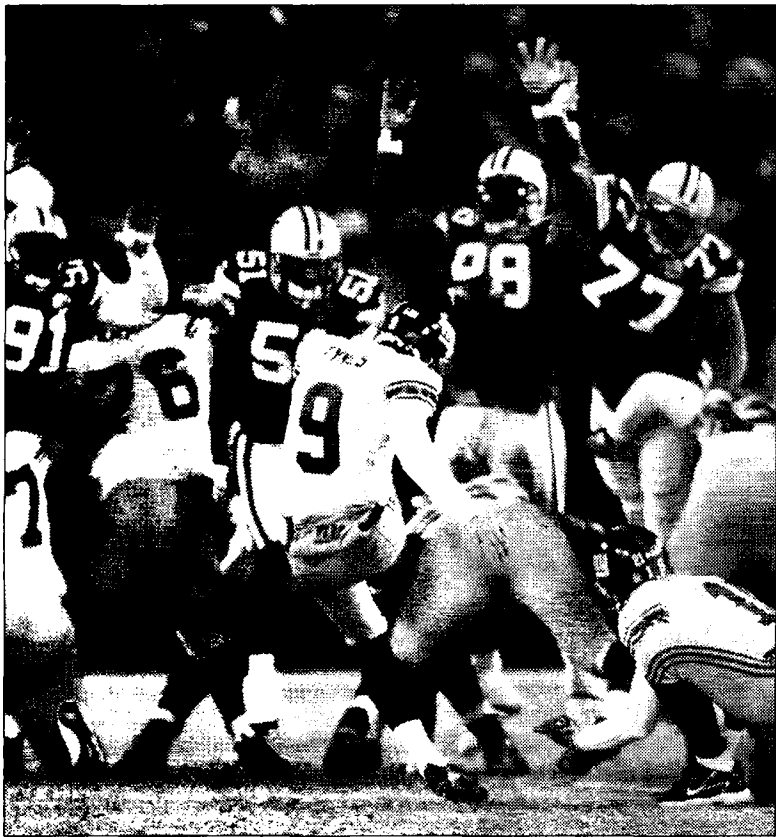
The Giants have won at Tampa and Dallas since, and now at Lambeau Field, where they shut down Brett Favre nearly all game.

Favre, seeking a return to the Super Bowl after a decade's absence, struggled in the minus-3 degree temperature and wind-chills that reached minus-24. He wound up 19-for-35 for 236 yards and two interceptions. The second, by Corey Webster in overtime, set up Tynes' winner.

When Tynes missed a 43-yard field goal with 6:49 remaining, it was just a temporary setback. And when he flopped on the kick that ended regulation, Tynes could only ask for one more try.

Webster gave it to him, and he sent the Giants into the Super Bowl.

New York was aided greatly by four penalties against the Packers during the Giants' seven-minute, 69-yard march to begin the second half. Brandon Jacobs bolted in from about an inch out after successive offside calls just moments after his third-down fumble was recovered by tight end Kevin Boss. But the biggest miscue was Nick Collins' 15-yard roughing-the-passer penalty on Manning, whose throw was blocked on a third-down play.



Giants place kicker Lawrence Tynes kicks the game-winning field goal in a 23-20 New York win Sunday in the NFC Championship game.

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	team	record	last poll
1	Michigan	20-2-0	1
2	Miami	21-3-0	2
3	Colorado College	16-6-0	4
4	Denver	17-5-0	3
5	New Hampshire	13-6-1	8
6	North Dakota	12-8-1	8
7	Michigan State	14-5-4	10
8	NOTRE DAME	18-7-1	6
9	Northeastern	11-5-2	7
10	Massachusetts	9-5-5	5
11	Boston College	10-5-5	12
12	Clarkson	12-7-1	11
13	St. Cloud State	11-10-	14
14	Quinnipiac	3	16
15	Mass.-Lowell	13-5-3	13
16	Minnesota-Duluth	10-5-4	19
17	Wisconsin	8-7-5	17
18	Minnesota	9-10-3	15
19	Princeton	11-10-	NR
20	Minnesota State	3	20

NBA

Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Boston	32-6	.842	7-3	-
Toronto	22-19	.537	6-4	11.5
New Jersey	18-21	.462	5-5	14.5
Philadelphia	16-25	.390	2-8	17.5
New York	13-27	.325	5-5	20

Eastern Conference, Central Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Detroit	29-12	.707	5-5	-
Cleveland	21-18	.538	8-2	7
Indiana	18-23	.439	3-7	11
Chicago	16-23	.410	5-5	12
Milwaukee	16-24	.400	5-5	12.5

Eastern Conference, Southeast Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Orlando	25-17	.595	4-6	-
Washington	21-17	.553	7-3	2
Atlanta	18-19	.486	3-7	4.5
Charlotte	16-24	.400	5-5	8
Miami	8-32	.200	0-10	16

Western Conference, Northwest Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Denver	24-15	.615	6-4	-
Portland	24-16	.600	6-4	.5
Utah	23-18	.561	7-3	2
Seattle	9-31	.225	0-10	15.5
Minnesota	5-34	.128	1-9	19

Western Conference, Pacific Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Phoenix	28-12	.700	7-3	-
LA Lakers	26-12	.684	8-2	1
Golden State	25-17	.595	6-4	4
Sacramento	17-22	.436	6-4	10.5
LA Clippers	12-24	.333	3-7	14

Western Conference, Northwest Division

team	record	perc.	last 10	GB
Dallas	27-12	.692	8-2	-
New Orleans	27-12	.692	8-2	-
San Antonio	25-13	.658	5-5	1.5
Houston	21-19	.525	6-4	6.5
Memphis	11-29	.275	3-7	16.5

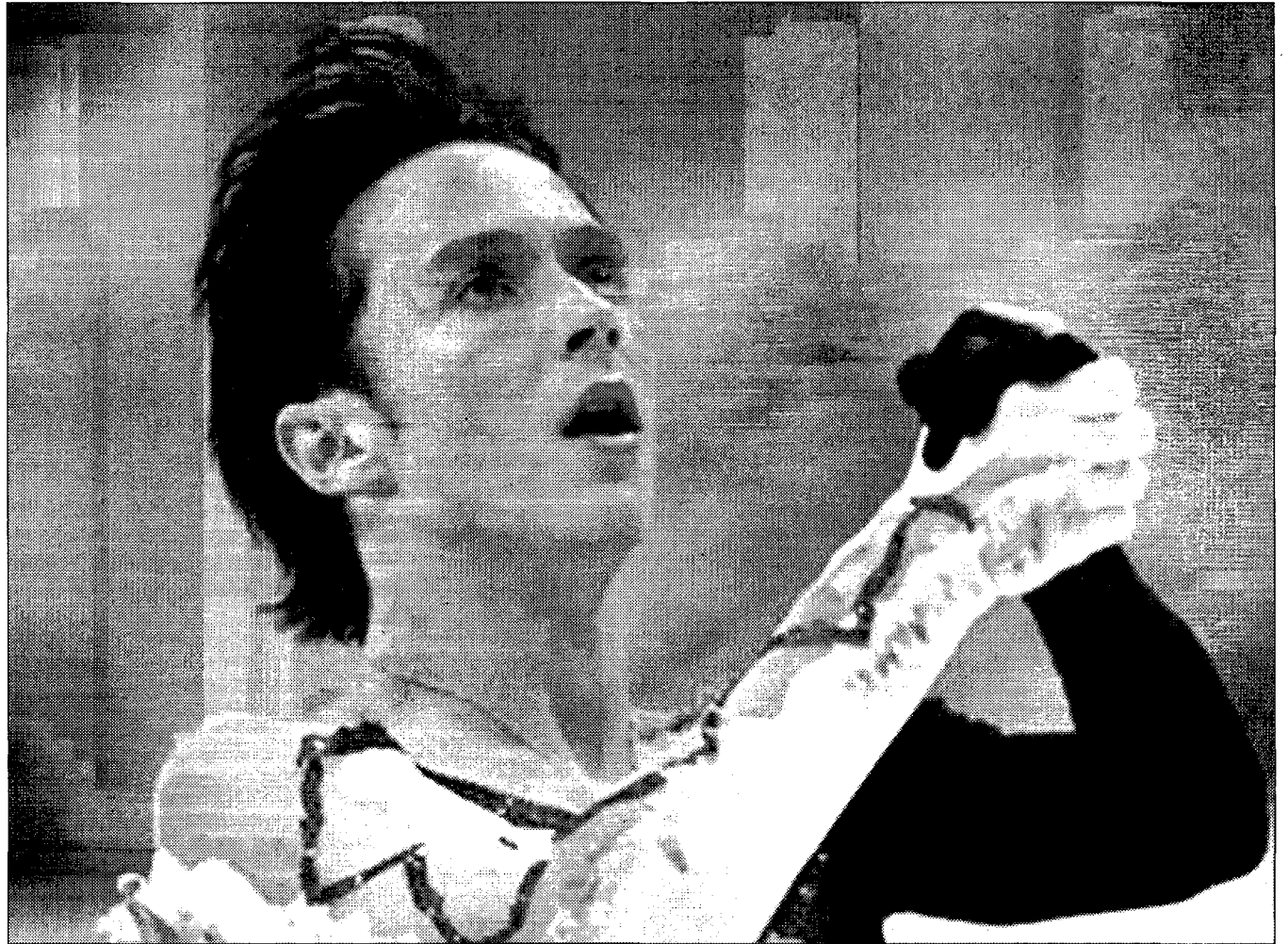
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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Syracuse vs. Georgetown
7 p.m., ESPN

Texas vs. Oklahoma State
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USFSA



American figure skater Johnny Weir finishes his free program at the Cup of Russia ISU Grand Prix on Nov. 24. Weir will compete along with rival Evan Lysacek in the U.S. Figure Skating Championships this week.

Rivals on ice compete for championship

Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The more Evan Lysacek tries to downplay his rivalry with Johnny Weir, the bigger it gets.

They're the two best male skaters the United States has, and two of the best in the world. They're chasing the same medals and the same titles, glories that can't be shared. And at a time when the United States is searching for new stars, their back-and-forth on the podium is the best thing going.

But getting one of them to acknowledge it, Lysacek in particular, is tougher than a quadruple jump.

"(Coach Frank Carroll)

says, 'Mind your own business in every respect of word,'" Lysacek said. "Don't think about anybody else. The less energy I spend thinking about somebody else is more energy I can put into my own skating, and that's where I want my energy to be."

"The media can say what they want," he added. "That's their freedom, they can say anything they want. About me, about Johnny Weir, about any other competitor. My focus is on me."

Sorry, Evan. Ignore it all you want, but at this week's U.S. Figure Skating Championships, the latest installment of "Ice Wars:

Johnny vs. Evan" is the main event.

Competition begins Wednesday with compulsory dance and the pairs short program. The men's short program is Friday, and the final is Jan. 27. The women begin Thursday.

"We have a great rivalry developing here in the men in both Evan and Johnn," said David Raith, executive director of U.S. Figure Skating. "I think that's very exciting."

Figure skating is oh, so pretty, as much art as athleticism, and fans love graceful, lyrical skaters like Michelle Kwan and Sasha Cohen. But for those folks who don't know a

lutz from a loop, it's rivalries that get their attention. That Tonya-Nancy dustup may have taken things to the extreme, but get a couple of skaters pushing each other for those precious spots on the podium, and you've got yourself a show.

The 1988 Olympics had the "Battle of the Brians" and "dueling Carmens." Kwan was at her best when Tara Lipinski and Cohen were nipping at her skates. And Alexei Yagudin's competition with fellow Russian Evgeni Plushenko made for great theater — on and off the ice.

Now there's Lysacek and Weir.

IN BRIEF

Boxer tries to make comeback in young man's sport

NEW YORK — Back when Roy Jones Jr. was the best boxer in the world, most people thought his sport was dying. Now that boxing is back on the rise with one big fight after another, Jones is aching for a comeback of his own.

But even after Jones danced around Felix Trinidad to win a unanimous decision at Madison Square Garden on Saturday night, the 39-year-old will have to wait for the big-money matchups he's craving.

After all, he didn't take those fights when he first had the chance. The 1990s' best pound-for-pound fighter was well-known for playing defense both inside and outside the ring, and now he's dropped well down the list of boxing's biggest names.

He'll have to get in line for fighters who once would have loved to meet him — but don't tell that to Jones, who still sees himself as the biggest name in any room.

Frenchman sails around globe in 57 days, beats record

BREST, France — Francis Joyon had no heat, no companions and little sleep for nearly two months as he sailed around the globe. Now he has a stunning world record.

The 51-year-old Frenchman circled the planet alone in 57 days, 13 hours, 34 minutes, 6 seconds in a trimaran, shattering the record set by Ellen MacArthur by two weeks and beating his own expectations.

"It's a bit of a shock" to be among so many people again, Joyon said after hitting land on France's Atlantic coast Sunday morning. He crossed an imaginary finish line in the water overnight, and said it was like "landing on the moon" when he reached shore.

Joyon skirted the southern reaches of the globe in his 95-foot, 9-ton trimaran IDEC, a craft he built with parts gathered from other boats.

Miller wins title, becomes most successful U.S. skier

KITZBUEHEL, Austria — Bode Miller finally had something to cheer about Sunday at the traditional Hahnenkamm World Cup races.

Earlier this week, he accused organizers of making the famous Streif downhill course much bumpier and dangerous than it already was. He also criticized organizers for disrespecting the 68-year-old history of the event by changing the slalom course.

But on Sunday, Miller won the combined title for the slalom and Saturday's downhill, which means he is now the most successful American skier ever with 28 World Cup wins, overtaking Phil Mahre.

"It's a nice record, something you dream about as a kid," the 30-year-old Miller said. "As a professional skier, you're more focused on winning each individual race. Before the season, it was my target to break that record, and it's a really good feeling if you reach your goals."

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

UConn upsets Marquette behind hot shooting

Freshman sensation Gordon scores 25 points to propel Hoosiers past Penn State to win their 27th-straight home game

Associated Press

STORRS, Conn. — Jim Calhoun needed a way to get his team's attention after a bad home loss. He simply wrote down the rest of the schedule. It worked like a charm.

Connecticut, coming off a 12-point home loss to Providence, rebounded with its first win over a ranked opponent in almost two years, 89-73 over No. 13 Marquette on Sunday.

"I just wrote who we had to still play on one side and then I put the Big East standings on the other," Calhoun said of what he did before Friday's practice. "I showed them who we had left and how hard it was going to be but also pointed out that we still had a chance to be one of the better teams in the conference. They knew Marquette was a quality team and these are the teams we'll be playing."

Point guard A.J. Price, who had 17 points and eight assists, said the schedule on the blackboard was a very good idea.

"It helped us greatly, especially after we played so bad against Providence," he said. "When we saw the standings we realized we were in the hunt and that if we could get on a winning streak we could be in the top four."

It also helped that 7-foot-3 sophomore Hasheem Thabeet had one of his best games at Connecticut. He had 15 points, seven rebounds and six blocked shots as the Huskies (12-5, 3-3) lived up to their defensive statistics while also coming up with one their best offensive showings of the season.

"We're getting better every day and we always play defense," Thabeet said. "We had poise today."

It was the second straight big loss for Marquette (13-4, 3-3), which lost 71-51 to Louisville on Thursday. The Golden Eagles had their third poor shooting game in their last four, finishing at 40 percent (26-for-65), a number which they improved significantly with a scoring flurry

over the game's final minutes.

Connecticut came into the game sixth in the nation in field goal percentage defense (36.8) and led the country in blocked shots (9.2). The Huskies finished with 10 blocks Sunday with Thabeet, who was 3-for-3 from the field and 9-for-13 from the free throw line, leading the way.

"I felt Hasheem owned the middle," Calhoun said. "We decided to take advantage of our size right away by going inside on offense and that's what allowed us to be 5-for-11 on 3s."

Marquette shot a season-worst 30.4 percent in the loss to Louisville which included missing all 12 of its 3-point attempts. On Sunday, the Golden Eagles were 10-for-21 from beyond the arc.

"I'm more concerned we're not making stops defensively," Marquette coach Tom Crean said when asked about his team's recent shooting woes. "Hopefully we'll get something from the way we played the last 10, 12 minutes. We have to play with our hair on fire to be good."

Connecticut's last win over a ranked team was over then-No. 17 Washington in the regional semifinals of the 2006 NCAA tournament, the game before the Huskies lost to George Mason for the right to advance to the Final Four.

Calhoun said the players "didn't have a clue" about the losing streak against ranked teams.

"Probably at the end you saw me a bit frustrated," he said of Marquette's scoring over the final 10 minutes. "I just wanted a totally dominating experience, because we haven't had that against a team obviously like Marquette."

Jeff Adrien and Craig Austrie both had 15 points for the Huskies, who had lost two straight and three of four.

Lazar Hayward had 14 points for the Golden Eagles, who had won two of three, and Wesley Matthews added 13. Dominic James, Marquette's leading scorer with a 14.1 average, finished with nine points on 4-for-10

shooting.

"He's tough, he's not asking out, but he's just not 100 percent," Crean said of James, who injured his right wrist four games ago when he was fouled hard. "He hurt it again against Louisville. We'll just have to see how he feels."

The Huskies were 33-for-39 from the free throw line while the Golden Eagles were 11-for-18.

Connecticut took a 12-4 lead as Marquette missed 10 of its first 11 shots from the field. The Huskies stretched the lead to 39-24 at halftime by holding the Golden Eagles to 27.6 percent (8-for-29), while hitting 51.7 percent (15-for-29).

The offensive struggles continued for Marquette at the start of the second half as the Golden Eagles missed seven of their first nine shots as the Huskies opened a 51-29 lead on a three-point play by Jerome Dyson with 13:49 to play.

The biggest lead was 67-38 on a foul line jumper by Thabeet with 9:30 to go.

The losing streak against ranked opponents was the Huskies' longest since it dropped 10 straight to Top 25 teams in Calhoun's first two seasons at Connecticut.

Hoosiers 81, Nittany Lions 65

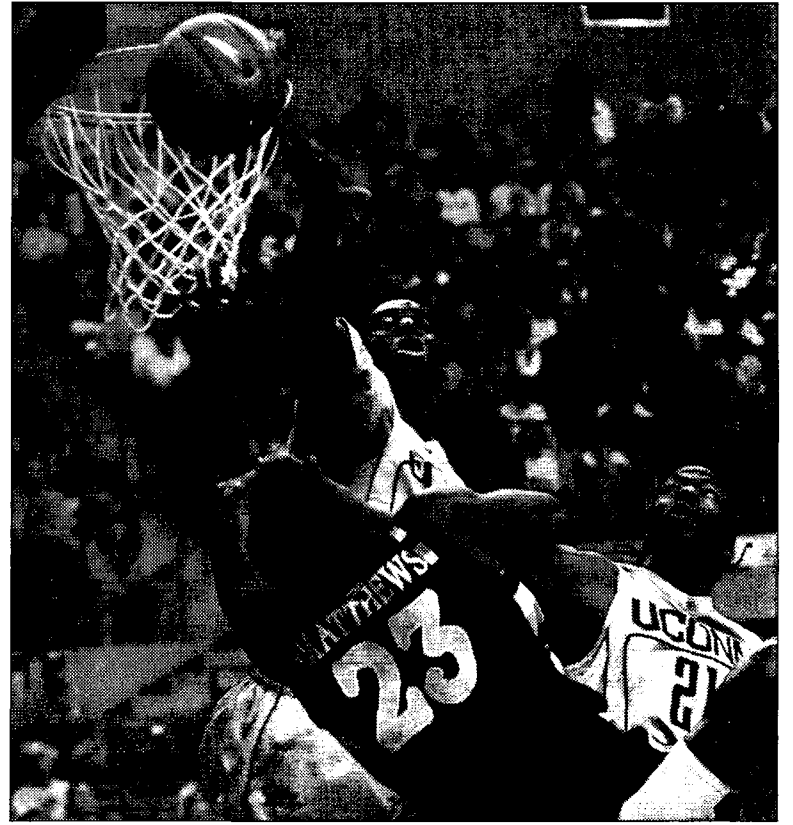
Indiana found a combination that worked and stayed with it.

Eric Gordon scored 25 points, D.J. White added 22 and the No. 9 Hoosiers, keeping the same lineup the entire second half, wore down Penn State on Sunday.

"It was a slow-paced game. They were zoning us," Indiana coach Kelvin Sampson said. "Usually you make a substitution for fatigue or for foul trouble. But I liked the way they were playing, so I saw no reason to make a substitution."

The Hoosiers (16-1, 5-0 Big Ten) won their 27th straight home game and stretched their winning streak this season to 12 games, their longest in 15 years.

"Once we got to halftime, the quality of shots, the ball move-



Connecticut center Hasheem Thabeet blocks a shot from Marquette guard Wesley Matthews in a 89-73 Huskies win Sunday.

ment, was as good as we've played all year in the second half," Sampson said. "We had maybe two turnovers. That's just a high level of play. ... The second half was outstanding at both ends."

Penn State (10-7, 2-3), which lost leading scorer and rebounder Geary Claxton with a season-ending knee injury against Wisconsin on Tuesday, came out strong, stayed with the Hoosiers most of the game and led 52-51 before a 3-pointer by Gordon started a 14-4 run that put Indiana in control. White had Indiana's next five points and assisted on another basket by Jamarcus Ellis, and the Hoosiers began pulling away for good.

"It was a stretch where we needed to pick it up," White said. "We needed somebody to step up and the guards did a good job finding me open at the right time."

"There's always a lot of work to be done. That's what practices are for, to get better each game."

White, Gordon, Ellis, Armon Bassett and Lance Stemler played all 20 minutes in the second half.

"It all started with our defense," Ellis said. "Even in the second half, we came out a little lackadaisical but we started to pick it up the last 7-8 minutes. We knew they were going to play hard without Claxton."

Two free throws by Tabor Battle were the only points by the Nittany Lions in the next 4 minutes after White's scoring burst, and two free throws by Gordon, a 3-pointer by Bassett and a layup by Gordon pushed Indiana's lead to 72-58. Penn State, which has never won in 15 games at Assembly Hall, never came closer than 12 points the rest of the way, and Indiana took its biggest lead at 81-60 in the closing seconds.

"We were trying to keep them away from the basket. We got a little soft with our zone," Penn State coach Ed DeChellis said. "We hit that little stretch there where we

weren't really active. ... We were OK for 30 minutes; unfortunately, this is a 40-minute game."

Bassett added 17 points and Ellis finished with 12 for the Hoosiers. Battle, a freshman, had a career-high 20 points and Jamelle Cornley added 19 for Penn State. Freshman Jeff Brooks, who started in place of Claxton, had six points.

"This is the first time out without him," DeChellis said of the loss of Claxton. "Tabor played well, Jamelle played well. We just need to find another guy who can score."

Despite the loss of Claxton, who was second in the Big Ten in scoring and rebounding, the Nittany Lions stayed with Indiana in the first half, even after a 10-0 run gave the Hoosiers an early 12-6 lead.

Four of Penn State's first five field goals were 3-pointers, then a basket and two free throws by Cornley and a 3-pointer by Stanley Pringle tied the game for the first time at 22. After a turnover by Indiana, Pringle was fouled on a layup and converted the three-point play with a free throw for a 25-22 lead.

There were two more ties and three lead changes over the final 5 minutes of the first half.

Gordon's fourth 3-pointer tied the game at 32, then Ellis stole the ball, was fouled and hit both free throws to put the Hoosiers back in front. After a turnover by Penn State, Lance Stemler hit a 3-pointer for the Hoosiers before Battle's basket in the final seconds made it 37-34 at the break.

A 3-pointer by Battle gave Penn State its final lead at 52-51, and a basket by Cornley tied it for the final time at 54 before two straight baskets by White put Indiana ahead to stay.

"Unfortunately, they hit some pretty deep 3s and penetrated the zone, which allowed them to get some easy baskets," Cornley said. "Right now, we're trying to figure out who's going to step up. We're searching right now."



Indiana forward D.J. White puts up a shot over Penn State forward Jamelle Cornley in a 81-65 Hoosier victory Sunday. White scored 22 points and picked up seven rebounds in the game.

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MEN'S SWIMMING

Pair of weekend losses eclipse improved times

By ELLYN MICHALAK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame came into the season with high expectations but so far has failed to produce results, falling twice this weekend in dual meets.

Entering the weekend with a 3-4 record, the No. 24 Irish struggled at home against Louisville. After the 166-134 loss to the Cardinals for the first time in five years, the Irish headed to Evanston, Ill., to face No. 17 Northwestern. Notre Dame's performance fell short, and the Irish lost to the Wildcats, 189-111.

Despite the losses, Irish coach Tim Welsh said the weekend showed improvement in his team.

"We swam a lot faster this weekend," Welsh said. "If you think of the season as a process of getting faster, then we got better and swam well this weekend. If you look at the season and gauge your progress only based on wins and losses, then we didn't improve this weekend."

"We look at the entire season as a process of improving and since it is getting close to championship time, our main goal is to become faster swimmers."

Despite Friday's home loss, Irish junior Michael Bullin broke a school diving previously set by Andy Maggio in 2002 with a score of 387.45 in the 3-meter

boards.

The Irish were quick, taking second place in most events, but Louisville swam faster. The only events the Irish dominated were the 1-meter and 3-meter board. The Irish took the top four spots in both events: Bullin led, senior Sam Stoner took second, and freshman Eric Lex and senior Steven Crowe followed in third and fourth place in each event.

After less than 24 hours of rest, the Irish swimmers hit the road to compete against Northwestern. The results were comparable to those of Friday's meet.

Sophomore John Lytle led the Irish, grasping first place in both the 50-yard and 100-yard free. Bullin, again, took first in the 3-meter boards, while freshman Nathan Geary and Stoner finished in third and fourth place, respectively.

This weekend, the Irish will host the Shamrock dual meet, where they will face defending Big East champion West Virginia.

"This weekend is a major event for us," Welsh said. "It's our last home meet, it's our last dual meet and for seniors, it's their last meet in their home pool."

The Irish will compete against unranked West Virginia at both 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday at Rollins Aquatic Center.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Dominant weekend for Irish

Resounding victories against Penn State, Toledo highlight start of 2008

By KATE GRABAREK
Sports Writer

Notre Dame had its first double-header of the 2008 season, sweeping Penn State and Toledo by 5-2 and 7-0 scores, respectively, on Sunday.

The Irish opened the contest against the Nittany Lions by winning the doubles point. Junior Brett Helgeson and senior Sheeva Parbhu dominated Adam Slagter and Eddie Bouchier at the one doubles spot.

"They return as well as anybody," Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said.

"They have made great improvements this season."

Senior Andrew Roth and Stephen Havens defeated Michael James and James Dwyer, 8-4, in the first completed doubles match. Santiago Montoya and Tyler Davis fell to Brendan Lynch and Ryan Gormley for the only Irish doubles loss.

"Davis has made great adjustments, and flattened out his forehand, and battles well," Bayliss said. "Montoya

traveled with us last year, and has made great strides this season as well."

Helgeson came back and dominated again in singles play, defeating Michael James 6-1, 7-5, in a battle of big hitters. James is ranked No. 51 in the nation, while Helgeson is ranked No. 12.

Parbhu also came up with a big singles win over Slagter, winning 6-4, 6-4.

Roth finished the top three singles sweep with a win over Bouchier 7-5, 6-2.

The four and five singles for the Irish both fell in tough matches. Havens fell 6-3, 6-2 to Lynch. David Anderson fell

in three sets to Ryan Gormley, 6-4, 3-6, 1-0 (10-8).

"Havens has played great for us," Bayliss said. "He has great timing and shot making, he will learn to play with more discipline."

Daniel Stahl was able to pull out a tight match over Dwyer, 3-6, 7-6 (7-3), 1-0.

The Irish defeated the

Nittany Lions 5-2 in the early match.

The Irish faced Toledo in the late match on Sunday. This was the 24th match between the two schools, and the Irish have dominated the contests 22-2 all-time over the Rockets. The Irish defeated Toledo 7-0 last season and continued their dominance in the nightcap.

The Irish doubles teams dominated Toledo dropping only one match.

Helgeson and Parbhu beat Chris Clark and Wade Ward 8-1 in the first match finished. Roth and Havens fell at number two doubles to Jared Miller and Knut Likitkumhorn 8-6. Davis and Montoya clinched the doubles point for the Irish with a 8-4 win over Sven Birus and Gurshar Harika.

In singles play, Bayliss flipped Parbhu and Helgeson. The change was successful for the Irish and Parbhu won 6-2, 6-3 over Miller. Helgeson won at two singles 6-3, 6-4.

Anderson, Havens, Stahl and Davis rounded out the Irish sweep of the Rockets.

The Irish will stay home Sunday to take on Virginia at the Eck Tennis Pavilion starting at noon.

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ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

ND nears conference meet

Notre Dame takes down Big East rival Louisville, falls to Toledo

By JARED JEDICK
Sports Writer

The Irish swimmers picked up a split this weekend, drubbing Big East rival Louisville on Friday, 187-113, before traveling to Toledo the next day for a close-fought loss to the Rockets, 158.5-141.5.

The swimmers extended their all-time record against the Cardinals to a perfect 3-0 in a Big East match that the Irish hope is a sign of how things will be in the Big East championship in a month.

"It is always great to beat an in-conference team," assistant head coach Joel White said. "This gave us a look at some of the competition we will see in the Big East, and that is always important."

Junior Christa Riggins stole the show for the Irish against Louisville and is quietly putting together her best year. Riggins won four events, including the 200-yard freestyle, the 100-yard freestyle, the 200-yard

freestyle-relay and the 200-yard medley relay.

"Christa has been more consistent than ever before, and she would be the first to tell you that," White said. "She is much more in control of her racing and that has us really fired up."

The Irish were able to pull out the victory in many of the races.

Junior Claire Hutchinson won the 1,000-yard freestyle and the 200-yard butterfly. Freshman Lauren Parisi won the 100 and 200-yard backstrokes, freshman Sam Maxwell won the 50, 100 and 200-yard breaststrokes, freshman Amywren Miller won the 50-yard freestyle. Junior Casey Wagner won the 500-yard freestyle.

Despite their blowout of the Cardinals, the Irish know that the Big East championship will not be quite so easy.

"We know that we are going to have our work cut out for us in a month,"

White said. "We are going to have to be at our peak."

The Irish unexpectedly fell at the hands of Toledo the next day.

"Toledo swam very well, much better than they've been all year, and they surprised us in that," White said.

The Rockets evened up the all-time dual-meet record between the two schools at 1-1 and snapped Notre Dame's two-meet win streak.

"We messed around with the line-up a little, tried some other people out in different relays to see what they could do," White said.

Lexi Shue was able to win the 1,000-yard freestyle and set a new pool-record in Toledo. Her time of 10:05.09 broke the previous record of 10:08.62, and was also a season best for Shue.

Sam Maxwell continued to impress in the breaststroke, winning both the 100 and 200-yard breaststrokes once again.

The Irish come home for their next meet against West Virginia in the Shamrock Invitational on Saturday. This will be Notre Dame's final regular season competition before the Big East championship.

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FENCING

Nelip a budding superstar epeeist

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

Notre Dame has a superstar in epee.

At least, that's the opinion of the fence's coach.

Irish freshman Ewa Nelip won the open division of the women's epee competition of the North American Cup in Atlanta this weekend, her second straight NAC victory.

"Winning one time, someone can be an accident or just a good day," Irish assistant coach Gia Kvaratskhelia said from Atlanta. "But twice means she is dominant and a superstar. ... We have a superstar now."

Nelip won the last NAC event in Richmond, Va., in December.

This win, however, solidifies her spot as a premier epeeist. The Cup included fencers from the United States, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico, all seeking to earn points to qualify for national team competitions and this season's World Championships.

Nelip, who along with sophomore Kelley Hurley appears set to become part of the top

women's epee squad in the NCAA, was one of three Notre Dame fencers to medal. Junior Karol Kostka captured the bronze in the 250-competitor men's epee open competition, and freshman Hayley Reese took freshman in the junior (under-20) division of women's foil.

"[Winning] twice means she is dominant and a superstar. ... We have a superstar now."

Gia Kvaratskhelia
Irish assistant coach

"At this moment we have a great result because we get three medals in a big continental competition," Irish head coach Janusz Bednarski said from his Granger home Sunday night.

Bednarski called the three podium finishes "great results" and added that he was happy with the performances of the other 11 members of his team competing, including that of freshman Avery Zuck. Zuck, who makes up a talented first-year man's sabre duo with Barron Nydam, was a finalist in the junior division of the sabre competition.

The competition will conclude today, with several weapons and divisions yet to finish.

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1. Compose a resume that markets your background and skills

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2. Prepare, Prepare, Prepare

- Attend a "Preparing for the Career Fair" workshop
- Determine your objectives for attending
- Review the list of companies attending the fair on Go IRISH and compile your "Top 10" list of companies to visit
- Review the position descriptions on Go IRISH
- Visit company websites and review mission statements, annual reports, and new products or services
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 - Obtain the representative's business card

4. Following the fair

- If you obtain an interview:
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 - If you have a web cam, practice interviewing using "Interview Stream" at <http://careercenter.nd.edu/for-undergrads/resumes-cover-letters-interview>
- Within 3 days of the fair, send an email thank-you to the recruiters with companies of interest from which you collected business cards

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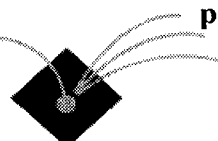
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SMC BASKETBALL

Belles best Tri-State in tight matchup

By GRIFFIN DASSATTI
Sports Writer

Despite first-half struggles, the Belles came together in the second half to defeat Tri-State 74-71 Saturday at Angela Athletic Facility.

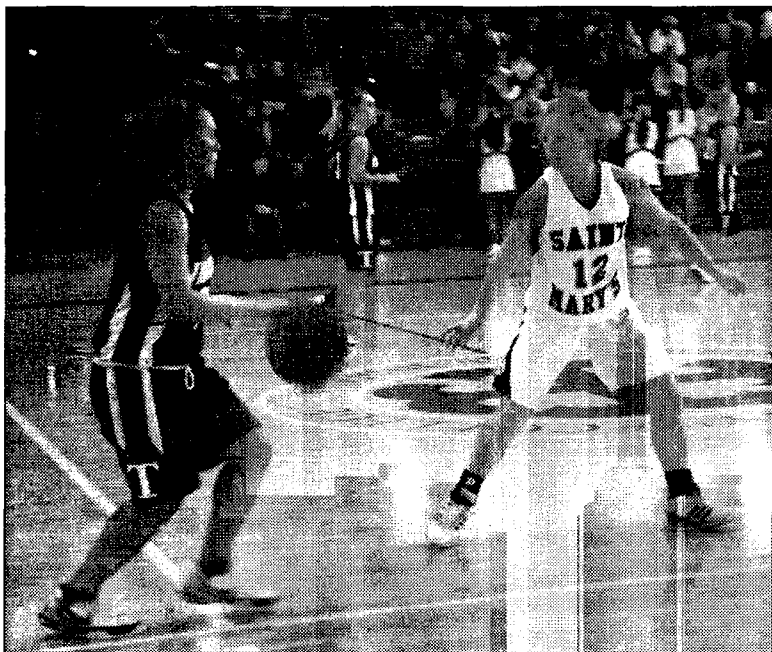
The win, the Belles' second in a row by three points, pulled them to 8-7 overall and 4-3 in the MIAA. This was also Saint Mary's second victory over Tri-State this year, — the first came when they won 82-68 at Tri-State on Dec. 8.

The Thunder began the game on a 7-0 run, led by guard Sarah Howe and forward Kristhen Julian. Tri-State led for the entire first half. The Belles narrowed the gap to four, ending the half down 36-32, but didn't lead until sophomore Anna Kammrath scored 3:57 into the second half, to go up 39-38.

In the second half, Saint Mary's looked to increase the tempo of the game through numerous fast breaks initiated by junior Meghan Conaty, who finished with six assists. The junior point guard fed the ball to her post players, most notably junior forward Erin Newsom, who finished with 15 points.

Newsom not only displayed her ability to score in the paint, but also showed off an accurate mid-range jumper that kept the Belles in the game.

After the Kammrath lay-up, the game became a back-and-forth contest, with the two



Belles point guard Meghan Conaty guards a Tri-State defender during a 74-71 Saint Mary's win Sunday.

teams exchanging leads five times before the Belles finally took a 74-71 lead on a 3-pointer by junior guard Katie Rashid with 1:18 left.

After dodging the Thunder's last-second attempt to tie, Saint Mary's celebrated their first at home since Dec. 28 against Kenyon.

Senior guard Alison Kessler followed up her school-record 41-point performance against Kalamazoo with 16 points against the Thunder. Rashid netted 11 of her own to round out the Belles' leading scorers.

Many second-chance points

and fast breaks sprung forth from superb rebounding from Belles forwards Newsom and Kammrath, who combined for 25 boards.

Becky Newsom came off the bench to deliver 12 points and five rebounds in a perfect shooting performance, going three-for-three from the field and converting all six of her free throws.

Saint Mary's next game will be Wednesday at Calvin, where they will try to avenge a 67-52 loss earlier in the season.

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SMC SWIMMING

Olivet, Hillsdale inch past Saint Mary's in pool

By PETE REISENAUER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's was a few relays and a couple of inches short of two victories over the weekend.

The tables turned against the Belles in the match against Olivet on Friday night when the Belles' record setting 200-yard medley relay was called back due to an early handoff. In the match Saturday, Saint

Mary's came within six points of beating rival Hillsdale, but fell short in a few critical races.

Belles coach Ryan Dombkowski hopes the losses will help bring his team together and that they can learn what it takes to become a great program.

"We know now that we are right on the cusp of becoming a great program, now we just have to be willing to put in that extra effort to push us over the top," Dombkowski said. "Two close losses might leave us hungry enough to become a far better program than a win-loss record could ever reflect."

Despite the losses, there were strong performances by individuals in both matches this weekend. On Friday night, Casey Niezer was able to win the 100-yard race and was just beaten out in the 200. Caroline Arness and Jen Lebedez both had season best times and performed well in the 200-yard fly.

Dombkowski said freshman Molly Schall had a lifetime best swim in the 500-yard freestyle.

On Saturday night, junior captain Melissa Gerbeth, who was victorious in both the 1650 and 500-yard freestyle, led St. Mary's. Hillsdale was able to win eight of the 13 events but the race came down to the last half second.

The relay team was .41 seconds behind the Hillsdale team, leading to a loss for the Belles.

Saint Mary's next match is on Friday night against Calvin College who is currently ranked No. 4 in NCAA Division III.

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ND INDOOR TRACK

Irish earn spots at Opener

By EUGENIA ALFONZO and
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Notre Dame sent a clear message that it didn't let up its intensity over winter break by earning Big East qualifications in sprint, distance and field events this weekend at the Notre Dame Indoor Opener.

The short and middle sprints gave a boost to the Irish. Freshman Miklos Szebeny in the 60-meter meter dash, sophomore Jeff Farnell in the 200-meter dash and freshman Austin Wechter in the 500-meter dash all finished in the top three with Big East championship qualifying times. Senior Jose Genao and freshman Matt Moore also qualified for the Big East meet in the 60-meter hurdles.

The Irish also ran well in the distance races. Junior Daniel Clark and freshman Spencer Carter ran strong mile times, finishing first and fourth respectively. Sophomore Balazs Molnar, junior Billy Buzaid and sophomore Jack Howard made a clean sweep in the 800-meter dash, coming out first, second and third, respectively. Senior Jamal Afridi and sophomore Jim Notwell also impressed competitors by coming out on top in the 1000-meter run.

Field events also played a part in sealing the team's success at the meet. With impres-

sive jumps, sophomore Eric Quick qualified for the Big East in both the triple and long jump, improving his personal record. Also, freshmen throwers Denes Veres and Greg Davis qualified for the Big East and dominated the shot put and weight throw respectively.

Notre Dame hasn't competed in six weeks, but it didn't show this weekend as the Irish took first in multiple events at the Notre Dame Indoor Opener.

"We wanted to use Friday night's competition to see where we are after the long break," said Notre Dame coach Tim Connelly.

With the return of senior Sunni Olding and freshman Marissa Treece, the women's mile was once again a strong event for the Irish. Treece ran the best time of the season for the Irish, 5:01.96, good for second place in the event.

Amy Kohlmeier and Olding finished just seconds behind Treece to claim third and fourth, respectively. All three runners qualified for the Big East championships in February with their times.

Thrower Anna Weber also gave a strong performance for Notre Dame with wins in the weight throw with a toss of 58-3 and the shot put with a throw of 44-11. Weber had already qualified for the Big East championships, but these marks improved her standing among the competition.

The Irish also dominated the

long jump. The top three jumpers in the event were all from Notre Dame, led by Jaime Minor and her jump of 16-10. Right behind her was Mary Saxer and Jasmine Williams. Saxer also won the pole vault event with a mark of 3.4 meters.


The Irish sprinters also found great success in Friday's meet. In the 400-meter race, Joanna Schultz and Cora Dayon claimed the top two spots for the Irish. Schultz finished with a time of 56.87 seconds with teammate Dayon just a step behind her. Schultz also took second in the 200-meter later in the meet.

Kelly Langhans took first in the 800-meter — her first event of the year — and qualified her for the Big East championship. Teammate Natalie Johnson also ran well for the Irish claiming third in the event.

In the 1,000-meter run, Jacqueline Carter clocked in at 2:57.41, which was good for third place and a spot in the Big East championships.

With the return of Carter, Kohlmeier, Treece and Olding from injuries and illnesses, the Irish should be ready and at full strength for their next meet, Friday's Notre Dame Invitational.


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Saturday the two teams faced off in The Palace at Auburn Hills in what was technically an Irish home game. It was the sixth time Notre Dame has played at The Palace, five times against Michigan, and all resulted in losses.

In the first game on Friday, Notre Dame jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first period on goals from forwards Kevin Deeth and Justin White. Deeth scored 3:33 into the game when his wrist shot deflected off a defenseman's stick and over Michigan goaltender Billy Sauer. White's goal came two minutes later on a two-on-one when Irish winger Ryan Guentzel drew the defender toward him, opening White up for the pass and goal.

They were the last goals the Irish would score as the Wolverines netted two in the second from Kevin Porter and Matt Rust to tie the game 2-2.

"We have to start doing more battling in the front of the net," Jackson said. "We've been playing against very good goaltenders. ... We can try to work on those things in practice, but it's going to boil down to guys getting gritty in front of the

net."

With 20 seconds left in the game, Michigan forward Louie Caporusso banged home a rebound past Irish goalie Jordan Pearce (25 saves) to give the Wolverines the 3-2 win.

"We lost the draw and lost coverage," Jackson said. "It was just an uncharacteristic thing that happened, we just lost sight of the guy we were covering."

Jackson replaced Pearce in net with 17-year-old freshman Brad Phillips for Saturday's 5-1 loss in the Palace, starting only his fifth game of the season behind the junior Pearce. Phillips lasted two periods, allowing four goals on 19 shots, before Pearce was put back in net for the third. Pearce allowed no goals on 10 shots in the third.

"I had to put the young kid in to see how he would do in that environment," Jackson said. "I basically know what I'm going to get from Jordan Pearce. I need Jordan to elevate his game another level. I needed to see if Phillips could handle it, and he probably put a lot of pressure on himself."

Michigan scored two goals in the first and two more in the second to get a 4-1 lead going into the third. The Wolverines added the fifth on an empty-net

goal.

The lone Notre Dame goal of the night was scored at 14:38 of the first period by freshman Ben Ryan, who got an open pass in front of the net from sophomore Dan Kissel to tie the game at 1-1.

One large part of Notre Dame's lack of offense has been its inability to convert on power play chances. In Friday's 3-2 loss, the Irish were given a five-minute man advantage just two minutes into the third period when Michigan defenseman Chris Summers was whistled for checking from behind.

The major penalty came when the game was deadlocked 2-2, but the Irish couldn't get one shot on net during the power play.

"We have to start doing more away from the puck," Jackson said. "Defensively, we've been good, we haven't given up a lot. The problem is until last night, if we score one power play goal a game, we'd probably be 7-1 [since break]."

"[The power play is] in our minds. Everybody's talking about it, everybody's making a big issue on it. Eventually one is going to go in off a skate or off our butt and we're going to start being productive again."

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Road woes

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that bad of a game," sophomore point guard Tory Jackson said. "We missed a lot of open shots. The game would have been a lot closer if we had knocked down shots."

Despite shooting poorly, the Irish kept the contest close early, taking the lead 17-16 on a three pointer by sophomore guard Jonathan Peoples with 9:50 left in the first half.

Georgetown (14-2, 4-1 Big East) took the lead back on the next possession and then scored the next 13 points to

break the game open.

Notre Dame was unable to stop the Georgetown post offense. Led by 7-foot-2 center Roy Hibbert, who scored 13 points in the first half and finished with 21, Georgetown scored 30 points in the paint before halftime — and took a 38-25 lead into the locker room.

At halftime, Irish coach Mike Brey switched to a 2-3 zone to try to keep the ball

out of the paint and away from Hibbert. The Hoyas responded by shooting from the outside — and making six of their nine 3-point attempts after the break. Notre Dame never got closer than 12 points in the second half.

In addition to Hibbert, three other Georgetown

players scored in double figures. Guard DeJuan Summers put in 17, while forwards Austin Freeman and Jessie Sapp added 16 and 14 respectively.

The Hoyas shot 53 percent from the field.

The Irish were led by sophomore forward Luke Harangody, who scored 13 points but shot only 3-of-13 from the field. Harangody was held well below his season average of 18.9 points by Hibbert and the other Georgetown big men.

Guards Kyle McAlarney and Peoples also scored in double figures. Peoples' 12 points were a career-high.

With the win, Georgetown sits alone in first place in the Big East at 4-1 in conference play. The Irish fell into a six-way tie for third at 3-2. Two teams — Cincinnati and DePaul — sit half a game back of the Hoyas in second place at 4-2.

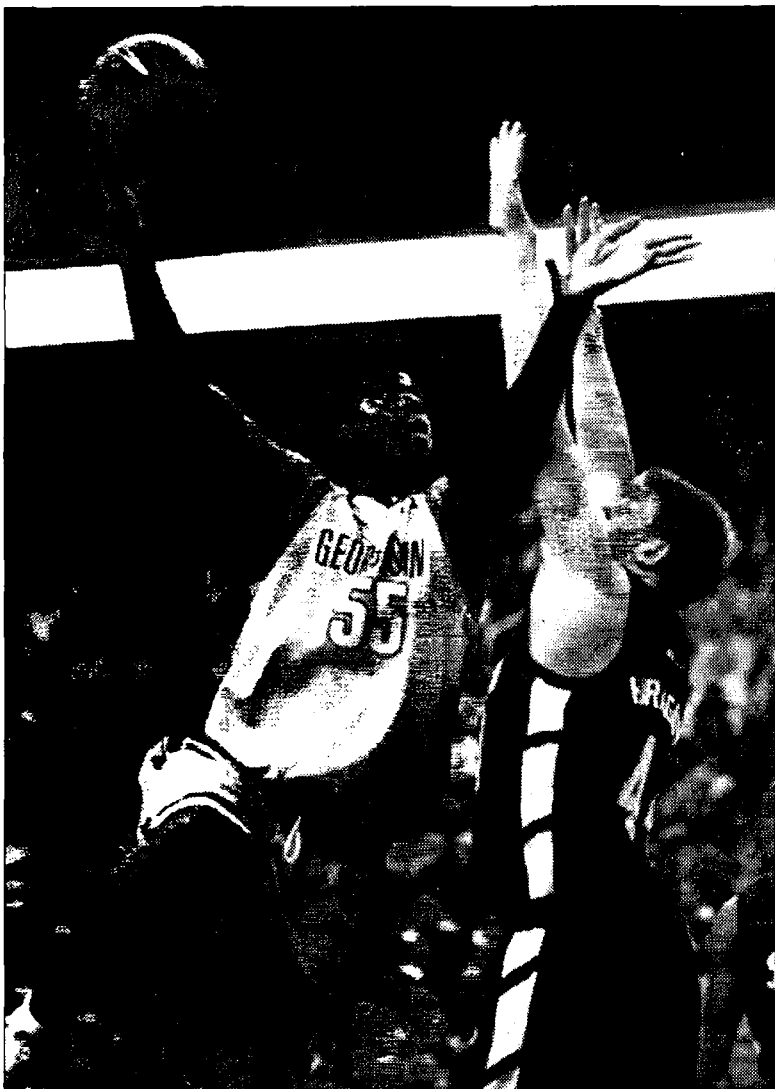
"We're not going to put our heads down," Jackson said. "It's a long season. We still have a shot at being number one in the Big East."

The Irish will have another chance to redeem themselves on the road in their next game, Saturday against No. 21 Villanova in Philadelphia. The Wildcats are 13-3 overall this season and are one of the five teams tied with Notre Dame at 3-2 in the conference.

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"We missed a lot of open shots. The game would have been a lot closer if we had knocked down shots."

Tory Jackson
Irish guard



Hoyas forward Roy Hibbert tries a hookshot against Irish forward Luke Harangody during Georgetown's 84-65 win on Saturday.

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than we usually have, we got a lot of layups."

At the 12:50 mark in the second half, freshman Brittany Mallory hit a 3-pointer off a fast break that started the Irish on a 24-10 rush over the Hoyas. Mallory led the Irish in scoring, going for 14 points in what McGraw called "her career night." The freshman guard hails from Baltimore and drew home support at Saturday's game.

"We had a really big crowd with Brittany being from here and Devereaux Peters having a lot of family," McGraw said. "The Notre Dame Club [of Washington, D.C.] really turned out for us too, so we probably had more fans than [Georgetown] did, which was nice. That really helped us."

The game wasn't all about big numbers from the Irish. Hoya Kieraah Marlow had a career-high 34 points and finished with 13 rebounds. Kristin Heidloff and Meredith Cox also aided in Georgetown's drive, posting double figures with 14 and 10 points, respectively. Marlow's performance demonstrated a need for

improvement in the Irish defense.

"We've got a lot of work to do defensively," McGraw said. "Marlow had a career night for Georgetown tonight."

One key defensive area for the Irish is limiting the number of fouls they commit. Peters fouled out with 4:46 left in the second half and Ashley Barlow finished the game with four. Notre Dame allowed 22 fouls in the game, giving the Hoyas the opportunity to go 17-for-25 from the line.

But going 68 percent from the line wasn't enough to keep Georgetown in the game as Notre Dame already lead 91-73 when Peters fouled out. Despite reaching four fouls, Barlow, shone on offense as she lead the Irish with 21 points.

"Ashley Barlow was really outstanding," McGraw said. "She was our leading scorer, and she really shot the ball extremely well offensively."

Erica Williamson, Lindsay Schrader, Melissa Lechlitter and Becca Bruszewski rounded out the seven Irish players to reach double figures, combining to give Notre Dame a huge offensive win.

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Muffet McGraw
Irish coach

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Notre Dame picked up two more straight-set wins at the hands of junior Katie Potts and Rielley. Potts defeated Van Aerde 7-5, 6-1, bringing her record to 8-1 this season.

Rielley took on Gorbea 6-2, 7-5 to finish off the day, as she improved her standing to 7-3 on the year.

Louderback attributes the solid performance against Louisville to his players' conditioning.

"I think the main thing is that our girls went into Christmas break and played good tennis to stay in shape," he said. "And all our players are healthy."

Throughout the course of the season we'll have some of the girls pick up nagging injuries and the fact that we're healthy and in good shape has a great deal to do with our success."

Despite the resounding victory, the Irish are already looking ahead. "We're feeling positive about the win today," Louderback said.

"Next week we go to Vanderbilt and they're sixteenth in the nation so we have to stay focused on what we need to do."

The Irish will return to action Saturday against No. 16 Vanderbilt at the Currey Tennis Center in Nashville, Tenn.

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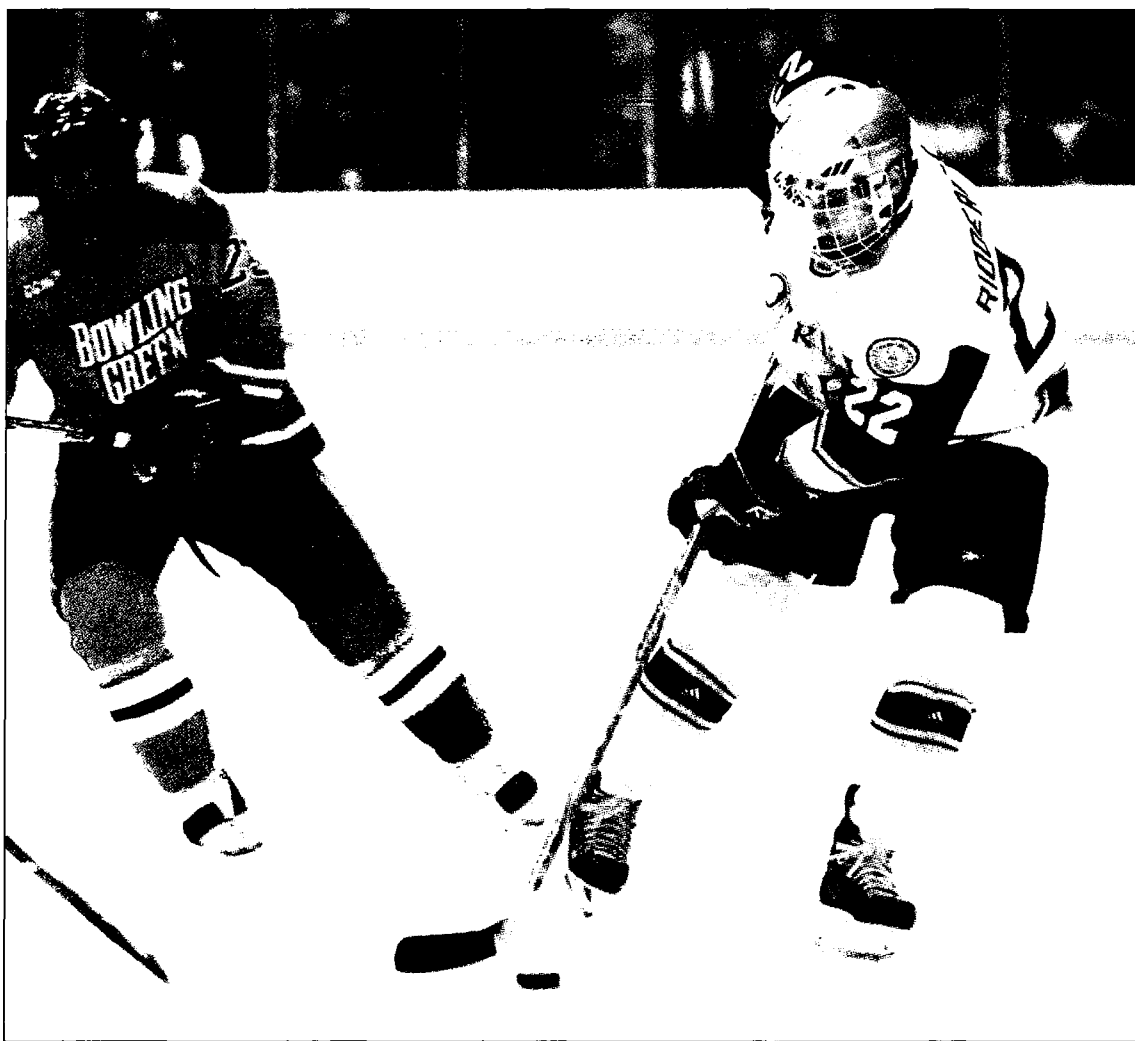
By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

The No. 8 Irish were arguably one of the hottest teams in the nation entering the Christmas break, but since the return from the holidays Notre Dame has been anything but.

The Irish (18-9-1, 11-6-1 CCHA) have gone 2-5-1 in that stretch, including 3-2 and 5-1 losses this weekend on the road to No. 1 Michigan. The offense has scored only 14 goals in eight games, and the power play unit was unable to convert on its nine chances against the Wolverines (22-2, 15-1 CCHA), extending its futile streak to eight games and 39 chances.

"I've been concerned about this since last week," Notre Dame coach Jeff Jackson said. "It's not an issue of us playing brutal. We're playing fairly well, we're just not getting enough offensive oomph in our game."

Notre Dame and Michigan played Friday's game in Yost Arena in Ann Arbor, but on



IAN GAVLICK/The Observer

Irish forward Calle Ridderwall evades defenders during Notre Dame's 2-1 win over Bowling Green on Nov. 20 at the Joyce Center. The Irish lost twice this weekend to No. 1 Michigan.

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish dump 104 points on Hoyas

By DEIRDRE KRASULA
Sports Writer

As the halftime buzzer sounded, senior Charel Allen hit a 3-pointer to give Notre Dame the 48-42 lead and the momentum to pull off a 104-86 win over Georgetown Saturday in Washington, D.C.

Allen, who finished with 14 points, was one of seven Irish players to score double digits and help the Irish break 100 points on the road for the first time in school history.

Notre Dame emerged from the locker room in the second half with a six-point lead and never looked back. The Irish shot 72 percent from the field in the second half en route to their victory over the Hoyas. The game gave the Irish a chance to do what they do best — run the ball.

"We were trying to run, we like to run, push the ball and transition," Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw said. "We just had a lot more opportunities

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Road woes trail team still

Georgetown dominates in post to seal victory

By CHRIS KHOREY
Sports Editor

The road has not been kind to Notre Dame.

The Irish (13-4, 3-2 Big East) fell to 2-4 on the season away from the Joyce Center with an 84-65 loss to No. 6 Georgetown Saturday at the Verizon Center in Washington, D.C.

The loss came just one week after a similarly disheartening road defeat, 92-66 at the hands of Marquette in Milwaukee. Notre Dame is 11-0 at home this season, but has yet to capture that same swagger in other venues.

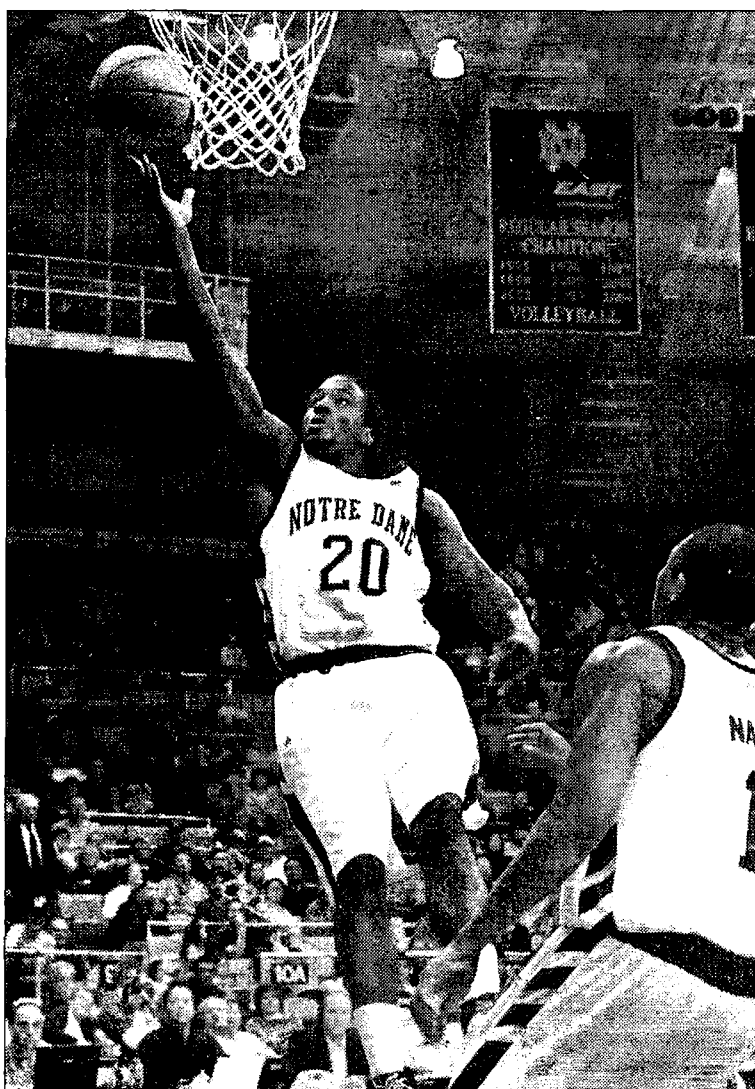
Senior captain Rob Kurz said he believes the Irish have it in them to win on the road.

"We're going to get this right," he said. "We've got seven more road games."

But first they'll have to fix their shooting. Against the Hoyas, Notre Dame made just 33 percent of its shots from the field, including going 7-for-25 from behind the 3-point arc.

"I feel like we didn't play

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ALLISON AMBROSE/The Observer

Irish guard Jonathan Peoples lays in a basket during Notre Dame's 108-62 win over Northern Illinois on Dec. 8.

ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

No. 9 Notre Dame tops Cardinals 6-1 on road

By LORENZO REYES
Sports Writer

Looking to build on their success this fall, No. 9 Notre Dame kicked off the 2008 dual match season Sunday with a solid 6-1 victory over Louisville at the Bass-Rudd Tennis Center in Louisville, Ky.

"It was a great start," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "It was good to go on the road into unfamiliar environment and come out on top. Louisville is much better than they were last year. They have much better depth, and to beat them on the road was big for us."

Notre Dame started off in doubles play, picking up the point in convincing fashion.

Improving to 12-2 on the year, the duo of senior Brook Buck and junior Kelcy Tefft defeated Cardinals junior Bianca Gorbea and sophomore Natalia Baez 8-4.

The No. 50 pair of sophomores Kali Krisik and Colleen Rielley improved to 5-1 on the season, besting Louisville sophomore Lauren Imre and junior Lindsey Jones 8-5.

Although the doubles point had been secured, the tag-team of sophomore Cosmina

Ciobanu and freshman Kristen Rafael also improved to 5-1 on the season, and made it a clean sweep for the Irish in doubles play with their 8-7 triumph over sophomore Jo-Ann Van Aerde and senior Robyn White.

Heading into singles play with a 1-0 lead, the Irish didn't hold back and continued their aggressive approach, picking up five more points on the path to victory.

Krisik disposed of freshman Katherina Tomalak in straight sets, 6-3, 6-2. The sophomore made it 2-0 for Notre Dame, while improving her record to 10-2 on the year.

Kelcy Tefft kept the Irish momentum rolling with a 6-0, 6-2 straight-set victory over Baez. Tefft is now 5-3 on the year and, more importantly, gave her team another valuable point.

With Louisville's chances of winning then unlikely, Ciobanu put an end to the notion of a Cardinals comeback. The sophomore clinched the match with her 6-2, 6-3 straight-set victory over Imre to improve her standing to 12-4 on the season.

After clinching the match,

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