



Good Bye Ben

Scene music critic Geoff Rahie says goodbye to one of the most innovative and energetic bands of last decade, Ben Folds Five.

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Happy Thanksgiving

The Observer will resume publishing Tuesday, November 28. Have a safe and happy holiday.

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MPs detain 8 ND, SMC students

By TIM LOGAN
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"Romana Nicholas. Age 2. Guatemala," a voice cried out when the drum roll stopped.

"Presente," replied the thousands of marchers, each one raising a little white cross into the air to symbolize that the toddler was present in spirit.

Romana Nicholas was one of thousands of innocent people killed by graduates of the School of the Americas (SOA), a U. S. Army program located in Fort Benning, Ga., which trains Latin American officers in human rights, democracy, and, some speculate, torture. And Sunday, Nicholas and every other innocent victim of SOA graduates was remembered at a vigil and mass demonstration calling for the school to be closed.

Thirty-three students from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's traveled to Columbus, Ga.,

where the base is located, to join in that remembrance. Once there, they participated in a two-day vigil with an estimated 6,500 other protesters from across the country.

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The 33 travelers, their numbers up from 24 a year ago, had a long journey. They left Friday after-

noon. After a brief prayer service and procession through the snow from the Center for Social Concerns to Library Circle, they piled into four vans and headed south.

On the way, the travelers anticipated the upcoming demonstration, sang songs, slept and got to know each other.

"It was totally like your classic road trip," Soltis said. Nineteen hours later, at noon on Saturday, the vans arrived.

Most of the students went to a vigil Saturday afternoon at the base gate where speakers discussed some of the atrocities committed by SOA graduates. A number of the school's 60,000 graduates, including former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega and Roberto D'Aubisson, who is widely believed to have ordered the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero, have been accused of human rights abuses.

The big event came Sunday, on a cold and rainy afternoon. That was when the "funeral procession" and march onto the base itself would take place. As the demonstrators took their places in line, more speakers, including actor Martin Sheen, encouraged them and denounced the SOA. The marchers lined up, linking arms five across, and the procession was ready to begin.

Then it started, and the line marched towards the base, while a drum rolled and singers shouted out the names of victims of SOA graduates.

"It was really powerful because we'd hear the whole family, one by one," Soltis said. This went on for more than an

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Police arrest 1,700 at SOA protest in Georgia

♦ Martin Sheen among arrested demonstrators

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ga.

Wearing white masks and black robes and carrying cardboard coffins and crosses, thousands of demonstrators marched slowly through the gates of Fort Benning.

As they've done every year since 1989, they came Sunday to demand the closing of the Army's School of the Americas, which trains Latin American soldiers. Critics blame the school for human rights abuses committed by some of its graduates — charges the Army calls absurd.

"I'd characterize it as false and as propaganda," Maj. Gen. John LeMoyné, the post com-

mander, said.

Police arrested 1,700 protesters, including actor Martin Sheen — about half the number that entered the west-central Georgia post Sunday. An estimated 3,000 others continued the protest outside the gates.

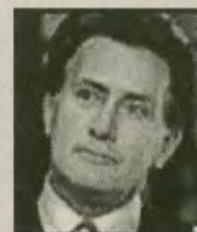
Most of those arrested were charged with trespassing, given a warning and released, said Col. G.T. Myers, Fort Benning's provost marshal. Some who poured fake blood on the street were charged with damaging government property, he said.

The annual demonstration commemorates the Nov. 16, 1989, killings in El Salvador of six Jesuit priests, to which some of the school's graduates have been linked.

Though the school is scheduled to close Dec. 15 and be replaced by the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, opponents vow to keep up the protests.

"We see this as cosmetic," said Roy Bourgeois, a co-founder of School of the Americas Watch who has

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Sheen

In memory of Brionne

♦ Mass honors Welsh junior who succumbed to cancer

By JASON McFARLEY
Assistant News Editor

Two months to the day of her death, Brionne Clary's friends, family and neighbors gathered to celebrate the life of the former Welsh Family Hall resident at a well-attended memorial Mass Tuesday.

The attendees filled the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to more than half capacity and remembered the Notre Dame junior whose Sept. 20 death marked the end of a years-long battle with leukemia.

"Although it is with sadness that we gather here today, it is with great confidence that we understand that Brionne has

moved on to a better place," University president Father Edward Malloy said to a crowd comprised mostly of students and Clary's fellow Welsh Hall residents.

Malloy, who presided over the 50-minute Mass, also delivered Clary's homily. He lauded Clary as a symbol of courage and personal strength.

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Father Edward Malloy
University president

"She was courageous in fighting her medical dilemma. She didn't want it to be a strike against her or an obstacle. She fought gracefully and with a sense of purpose; and in doing that, she serves as a model for all of us," Malloy said.

Malloy praised Clary, of Tyler, Texas, as an asset to the University.

"To the members of Brionne's family: Thanks for the gift of

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Brionne Clary (second from right) spends time in a Welsh Hall dorm room with friends, from left, Sarah Miller, Elisabeth Parker, Kate Downen and Kate Stephan. A mass in honor of her memory was held at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart Monday night.

Photo courtesy of Sarah Miller

INSIDE COLUMN

Holiday Blues

Two years ago this Thanksgiving eve was my family's day from hell. My big brother was gone visiting friends. My mom had taken our truck to work and then to help her friend pack for a move. My dad had gotten a ride to work because his car was

Sarah Rykowski

Saint Mary's News Editor

It was a dark, rainy, cold day. I left the house with plenty of time to get to my doctor's appointment. Until I realized that the entrance ramp was backed up to who knew where, and I decided to cut across town.

I knew I was going to be late once I realized that traffic was a mess.

Smack in front of my high school, I panicked. I switched lanes none too subtly and bumped a black sedan that had somehow snuck up on my left. Since it was my first accident and the people were not friendly, I was a basket-case in no time flat.

Meanwhile, my mom was on her way to her friend's house and heard her tire blow when she was almost there. By the time she parked at the house, it was completely flat. She called my father, who got a ride out to the house, and the two of them had to fix the tire.

The lug nuts would not budge. Finally they managed it, only to arrive home and listen to my frantic messages on the machine. My mom dropped my dad off at the accident, and he helped me deal with the police officer and the couple in the other car. My dad drove me home after the accident, since I was in no state to drive.

Halfway home, he turned to me and remarked that he was getting wet. It turned out that I had dented the driver's side door hinge, so that at the top of the door there was about an inch of open air between it and the car itself.

And to top it all off, my poor little brother, Pete got left at basketball practice for about two hours. After dropping my dad off, and undergoing severe emotional strain because of yours truly, my mom had drive back across town to my brother's high school in hellish traffic to pick him up.

Pete waited patiently by the gym, knowing any minute his mom would show up to take him home. Ironically, right before my mom got there, he gave up on her and got a ride home with someone from one of the girls' basketball teams.

All of us were finally all home when we remembered we were supposed to be at our friends' house for dinner, and that my older brother would be meeting us there. We were all tired and emotionally exhausted, but we went anyway. Most of the evening was spent swapping car stories, but I wasn't the only one supplying the laughs.

By the time I woke up the next morning, I was very, very grateful for a lot of things, including a safe car to drive, loving parents and hilarious and supportive friends. And I was still alive. And I'm not a bad driver anymore.

I have the dubious distinction of being the only member of my family who is speeding ticket free. But that could just be because I drive slow.

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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"I could talk about the hostile environment but let's skip all that. Let's just get down to the teachings of the church."

Father John Harvey on homosexuality at Notre Dame

"I absolutely endorse the idea that a loss of faith or the criticism of faith can ultimately strengthen it."

Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, Mark Roche on questioning religion

"You can play bigtime football at Ohio State or Florida, but I wanted a bigtime degree."

Ron Israel, Notre Dame strong safety

"Americans struggle with a sexual culture divided between Puritanical repression and pornographic over-exposure."

Peggy Sanday on 'rape-prone' campuses

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

San Diego State mascot receives criticism

SAN DIEGO "Monty" Montezuma will continue the San Diego State University tradition of running through the stands and twirling his flaming spear during football games. At least for the time being.

Monty's future as the San Diego State University mascot has been in jeopardy the last two months after a group of students from the Native American Student Alliance asked the university to stop the human depiction of Native Americans.

University president Stephen Weber has prolonged the two-month debate until possibly May 1, when a 20 member task force will report to him whether the mascot should be changed or hit the road completely.



Last Thursday, Weber emerged from months of silence about the issue and told the nation his decision: the Aztec nickname will stay, but the mascot will be looked into.

"I am open to SDSU continuing to express its aspirations and values

through a human symbol," Weber said. "But we must do so in a way that respects and accurately portrays the individual represented and his or her culture."

"It is not unreasonable to also expect that San Diego State's symbols and logos be appropriate."

For now, Weber said everything will stay the same. "Monty" will still perform at scheduled sporting events and the Campus Bookstore will still sell paraphernalia donning the red-faced mascot logo.

Weber has asked the Academic Affairs and the Alumni Association to submit a proposal on ways the campus can educate students about the Aztecs; whether it be through a series of lectures, artistic presentations or discussions of the culture.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Riots erupt after football game

Police made 29 arrests and fired tear gas and rubber bullets in response to rioting at Ohio State University in Columbus early Sunday morning. Rioters set 129 fires and a student was stabbed during the violence that followed Ohio State's 38-26 loss to Michigan in Saturday afternoon's football game. "That student was operated on this morning and is out of the woods," Ohio State spokeswoman Elizabeth Conlisk said Sunday. At least five cars were overturned or significantly damaged. Ohio State officials expect to know Monday how many students were among those arrested. Police were unable to say whether any University of Michigan students were arrested. "It is obvious that excessive alcohol is at the core of this problem, and in addition we will continue our efforts to curb alcohol abuse," Ohio State president William Kirwan said in a written statement. The riots occurred despite a video shown during the football game. Kirwan also sent an e-mail earlier in the week to Ohio State's 48,000 students with the same message.

MIT

Window fall kills student

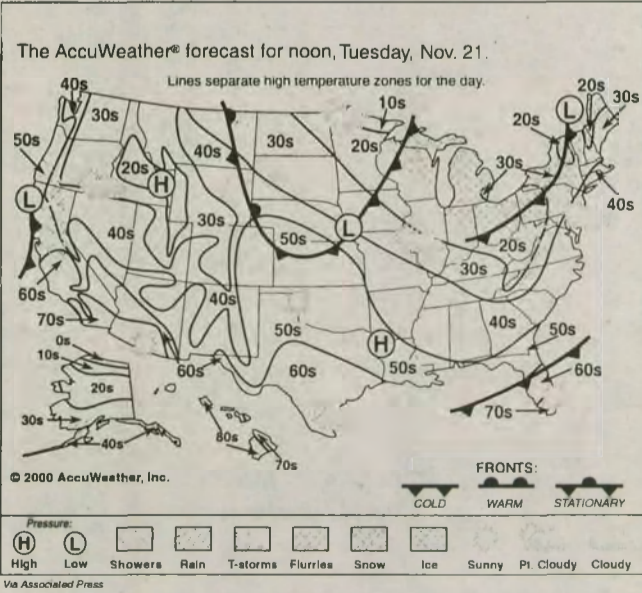
A woman was killed Sunday night after falling from a high floor of a graduate student dormitory at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, campus officials confirmed. At about 9 p.m. Sunday night, witnesses saw the woman fall from a window in a tower at the Westgate complex on MIT's west campus. Two sources familiar with the incident, including a witness, said the woman fell from the 14th floor. Paramedics from the Cambridge Fire Department and the Professional Ambulance Company were on the scene within minutes but were unable to revive the woman. For a few hours, a small crowd gathered outside the dormitory as MIT officers and engineers secured the scene. A spokesperson there said he did not know the identity of the woman. Police and the Suffolk County Medical Examiner's office will conduct separate investigations into the death. The last death at MIT occurred in April of this year. Elizabeth Shin, then a sophomore, died after setting herself on fire in her dorm room.

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Thursday		36	26
Friday		43	31
Saturday		47	32
Sunday		45	30

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Baltimore	40	26	Memphis	55	33	Sacramento	59	40
Boston	43	31	Milwaukee	30	22	St. Louis	28	20
Chicago	32	22	New York	42	31	Tampa	60	36
Houston	61	46	Philadelphia	41	26	Washington DC	41	25

Prof leads environment conference

♦ McElroy discusses effects of tourism on island habitats

By KATIE MILLER
News Writer

The scientific committee on problems of the environment (SCOPE) discussed the effects of tourism on the local culture and environment of island nations at a conference in late September. Saint Mary's economics professor Jerry McElroy is a member of the committee that serves as a network of international environmental researchers.

In addition to SCOPE members and academic researchers, travel writers, and representatives from island governments and tourist industry attended the conference.

In March, McElroy met with SCOPE members in Paris to choose a focus for September's conference.

"We decided to focus on observing bio-diversity and its link to tourism especially on islands. Tourism is the lifeblood on islands. We wanted to discuss managing diversity in the long run. Islands have the most to gain by managing assets," said McElroy.

The conference presented two background papers discussing the use of info-technology on tourism. The conference also included McElroy's paper that dis-

cussed the impact of tourism in small islands.

"The hope is that from these studies common ingredients for sustainable tourism will surface," he said.

McElroy acknowledged the great need for environmental protection without a large amount of governmental intervention.

"One way to preserve bio-diversity is with national parks. The hotel and airline industries must support preserving national assets," McElroy added.

Island nations tend to make tourism a larger priority than their local culture and environment.

"In islands, travel interests go towards profits; the environment suffers the most. There is a new understanding that it is to our economic interests to preserve our environment, and when people travel, it is to learn something, not to observe an extension of their own culture," he said. "Unless people are concerned, nothing will happen."

The conference members hope to continue meeting to

discuss pertinent environmental issues in the future.

"I think it's safe to say we don't have any strong recommendations at this point. It is business as usual; bio-diversity will not work as long as it affects local culture and environment," McElroy said.

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SMC economics professor

McElroy presented an example of an island nation executing bio-diversity. An international organization appropriated one of the Seyshelle islands in the Indian ocean as a bird sanctuary. As a result,

tourists from all over the world visit the island to see the unique habitat.

"It is important to find ways in which we can foster soft forms of tourism and ecotourism," he said. "This is done by visiting sites in small numbers to learn about or appreciate different forms of wildlife." In order for any country to preserve its environment and local culture, citizens must be involved, he added.

"The greatest safeguard to the environment is citizen awareness. The citizens will not allow the government to destroy what's there."

ND appoints new assistant provost

Special to The Observer

Joy Vann-Hamilton, most recently director of the Minority Engineering Program (MEP) at the University of Notre Dame, has been appointed assistant provost of the University, according to Nathan Hatch, provost. Her appointment was effective Nov. 1.



Vann-Hamilton

"I am delighted to welcome Joy to the Provost Office," Hatch said. "Joy has been extremely successful in developing and implementing a number of initiatives within the College of Engineering designed to strengthen retention and graduation rates among students from historically underrepresented racial groups. I am confident that she will bring wonderful skills and an excellent perspective to the Provost Office, and I look forward to working with her."

As assistant provost, Vann-Hamilton will oversee the University's Trio programs — Upward Bound,

Educational Talent Search and the Ronald McNair Post-Baccalaureate Program, all federally funded projects designed to enhance postsecondary educational opportunities for economically disadvantaged young people. She also will assist in appointing and approving leaves for tenure track faculty, direct a tracking system for Notre Dame undergraduates who pursue graduate education, serve as the provost's liaison with the University's Early Childhood Development Center, and work on special projects.

Vann-Hamilton served for nine years as the director of MEP, which was established in 1987 to challenge and encourage minority students in their pursuit of undergraduate degrees and provide them with the leadership skills necessary for successful careers in engineering.

A graduate of Wichita State University and formerly a resident of Fort Scott, Kan., Vann-Hamilton earned her master's of business administration degree from Notre Dame in 1998. She currently is pursuing a doctorate in teaching, learning and administration from Andrews University.

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hour, until the procession reached the gates of Fort Benning. Only about half of the marchers intended to cross the line into the base, and in so doing break the law. Those who would not cross left the ranks. But the rest continued on.

"It's so powerful," said junior Katie Millar, one of 16 Notre Dame travelers who entered the base.

"To me it was so overwhelming that the act of crossing the line was just part of the procession," she said. "It was just a continuation of the procession for me."

Protesters who entered the base were given the chance by military police to turn around and face no sanctions. But the 2,000 who did not, including eight from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, were apprehended and processed. One of these was Millar.

"We didn't just want to turn around and walk away," she said. "We wanted to confront and show our presence."

After a several hour wait, these demonstrators were pho-

tographed, fingerprinted and given "ban and bar" letters, prohibiting them from entering Fort Benning for five years. During the wait, several base administrators met with protesters to discuss the school, to tell them the Army's side of the story. One colonel who talked with Millar spoke of the good work the school does in training its students to respect human rights and democracy.

"It was interesting to talk with him, to hear his perspective," Millar said. "We weren't protesting the people who worked at the SOA or saying that they were evil people."

After the processing, Millar and her seven companions, along with other detained demonstrators, were bussed off the base, where they reunited with those who had not entered and those who had turned back.

And the Notre Dame group got back in their vans for the ride back to South Bend, thinking about their journey to Georgia and searching on the radio for the score of Saturday's football game.

They will have a public discussion of the trip and the School of the Americas some time after Thanksgiving, according to Soltis.

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Katie Millar
junior

Brionne

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your daughter or your sister to the University. She has enriched this community," Malloy said, addressing the 20-year-old's parents and two sisters.

Malloy spoke of an "ener-

gy, enthusiasm and sense of humor" evident in Clary's academic work and extracurricular activities. Clary, a mechanical engineering major, was active in interhall basketball and other dorm activities.

"We know a lot about Brionne from her friends and your presence here today. This provides us con-

fidence that she lived her life worthily," Malloy said, calling for the audience to do likewise.

Clary died from pneumonia, a complication of her cancer. She was first stricken with leukemia in high school but recovered from the disease. She was re-diagnosed in August and didn't return for her junior year of studies.

Protest

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spearheaded the protests. "It's like taking a bottle of poison and writing 'Penicillin' on it."

The new school will be run by the Defense Department, under guiding principles of the Organization of American States.

The demonstration Sunday took place in near-freezing temperatures and occasional

rain. Many protesters, wearing plastic parkas, shivered as they marched to a point where they were halted by police.

Sheen, who plays the nation's president in the hit TV show "The West Wing," has joined the protests the past three years. Myers said he did not know what laws the actor was accused of breaking.

Those arrested were given letters barring them from visiting Fort Benning for five years. They could be subject

to a year in prison if charged with trespassing on the post again within that period.

Sister Mary Johnalyn, 68, of West Allis, Wis., said she was photographed, fingerprinted and given a letter barring her from the post. She said she was charged with damaging U.S. property for spilling fake blood.

"I was a missionary in Mexico and I found those people so loving," she said. "I don't want them to come up here and learn to be ugly murderers."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Corrected United Limo times: United Limo leaves from Notre Dame's west guard gate to Chicago-area airports this week at the following times: 4:05 a.m., 5:05 a.m., 6:05 a.m., 8:05 a.m., 10:05 a.m., 11:05 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 2:05 p.m., 4:05 p.m. and 6:05 p.m.



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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Japan parliament motion defeated:

A no-confidence motion against Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori was defeated in Parliament early Tuesday after a leading ruling party member withdrew his support for it. The motion failed by a vote of 237-190 in an early morning ballot after a marathon — and often raucous — session in which opposition lawmakers argued Mori's government was a failure.

China joins U.N. human rights:

China agreed Monday to accept United Nations help to move it toward complying with international human rights treaties, a decision hailed as a milestone by the U.N.'s human rights chief. Under the agreement, human rights workshops will be arranged with government officials, judges, prosecutors, lawyers, police and prison officials.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Protein linked to AIDS virus:

A protein that does housekeeping inside cells plays a key role in spreading the AIDS virus to other cells of the body, researchers report. In studies appearing in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, researchers say a group of proteins, called proteasomes, are used by HIV, the AIDS virus, to assemble new viral particles and to spread those new particles to other uninfected cells. Ulrich Schubert of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases said test tube studies show that blocking the action of the proteasome proteins can reduce the spread of HIV infection by about 98 percent.

FDA says Tamiflu prevents flu:

Taking the prescription flu therapy Tamiflu not only treats influenza, but a pill a day during an outbreak can prevent the misery-inducing illness almost like a vaccine, the government announced Monday.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Indiana highway hero:

A truck driver from north-central Indiana has won the 2000 Indiana Goodyear Highway Hero Award, the tire company announced Monday. Heath Martin, of Kewanna, was honored for his efforts in battling a house fire in Roanoke, Indiana.

Pastor faces deportation:

A pastor who has lived in the United States since he was 10-years-old could be deported because he voted in an election and was not a U.S. citizen. Frank Audia, 28, is a native of El Salvador.



AFP Photo

Michael Carvin (left) and Barry Richards, lawyers for Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush, confer before their oral arguments to the Florida Supreme Court in Tallahassee Nov. 20.

Court questions Florida recount

Associated Press

A transfixed nation turned its eyes to Florida's Supreme Court, where an army of lawyers for Al Gore and George W. Bush battled Monday over whether the marathon election should drag on. Weary recount workers pecked through ballots in three Democratic-leaning counties, wondering if their labor would be for naught.

After 13 days of suspended political animation, lawsuits and countersuits, "chads" and

"pregnant chads," the presidential election may come down to this: Seven justices, all appointed by Democratic governors, will decide if the GOP secretary of state can certify Bush's minuscule lead without accepting votes counted by hand.

Bush's official lead stands at 930 votes. Gore picked up 134 votes in manual recounts by late Monday, which if counted would reduce Bush's margin to 796. Gore advisers were frustrated by their relatively small gains; Bush's forces cried foul in the one county where the

vice president gained ground.

The historic Supreme Court hearing opened with a court marshal bel-lowing, "God save these United States," and the justices got right down to business — peppering lawyers with questions of law in a case riddled with political landmines.

Chief Justice Charles Wells pressed both sides about how long the state might wait to certify its election results without jeopardizing its 25-vote stake in the Dec. 18 roll call of the Electoral College. His questions

sketched a scenario in which recounts might continue, perhaps into December.

"Tell me when Florida's electoral vote would be in jeopardy," Wells said again and again. "Why wouldn't it be in this unique circumstance a better thing to do to wait" to certify vote totals.

Justice Barbara Pariente asked whether selective recounts were unfair to voters who live in counties where the ballots were tabulated only once — a point that Bush has made in his legal filings.

SUDAN

U.S. supports Sudan war victims

Associated Press

RUMBEEK

Moved by the accounts of freed slaves, a senior U.S. official on Monday pledged America's diplomatic, humanitarian and moral support to the people of southern Sudan caught up in a 17-year-old civil war.

Susan Rice, the assistant secretary of state for African affairs, said their problems — including abductions, slavery and airstrikes — have captured the sympathy of Americans.

"The Sudan issue resonates in a way with the U.S. public on a scale we have not seen since the anti-

apartheid movement," Rice said in the town of Rumbek during a two-day visit to southern Sudan.

Sitting in the shade to escape the searing heat in Marial Bai in the war-devastated province of Bahr el Ghazal on Sunday, Rice listened to four women tell how they were held as slaves between 1998 and 1999.

"The U.S. will never tolerate slavery and will never rest until the suffering you and many others have experienced is ended," Rice told them.



In a fresh reminder of the brutal war, an aid organization working in Sudan said Monday that government planes bombed a market in

the rebel stronghold of Yei in southern Sudan, killing 18 people. Norwegian People's Aid said more than 50 others were wounded when 14 bombs hit the town. It is the latest in a series of air attacks by the Sudanese government on rebel-held areas.

War has plagued much of Africa's largest nation for 33 of the 44 years since it gained independence from Anglo-Egyptian rule in 1956.

The latest conflict broke out in 1983 and is seen as a fight between the predominantly Christian south, which is seeking greater autonomy and religious freedom and the largely Muslim government.

Market Watch 11/20

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Nasdaq:	2875.64	-151.55
NYSE:	634.34	-9.40
S&P 500:	1342.62	-25.10

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CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-2.84	-1.50	51.25
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NETHERLANDS

U.N. court hears rape prosecutors

Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands — War crimes prosecutors on Monday urged a U.N. court to show no mercy toward three Bosnian Serbs accused of sexually enslaving and torturing Muslim women.

The U.N. war crimes tribunal for the former Yugoslavia was asked in the strongest terms to put Dragoljub Kunarac, Radomir Kovac and Zoran Vukovic behind bars for up to 35 years. The men have not been convicted or sentenced, but the prosecutors can call for a jail term.

"No sentence this court can possibly devise can adequately deal with the injustice the victims suffered at the hands of these men," prosecutor Dirk Ryneveld, a Canadian, told the three-judge panel in the first international prosecution of wartime sexual enslavement.

Prosecutors detailed the abuses inflicted on dozens of Bosnian Muslim women, including the 16 who bravely took the witness stand since the trial began in April. Although their identities were concealed from public view, the witnesses stood face-

to-face with their former tormentors.

Victims as young as 12 and 13 years old were assaulted "in all possible ways," said German prosecutor Hildegard Uertz-Retzlaff.

One woman, identified as "witness no. 75," was gang-raped for three hours by 15 men. Two teen-age girls were held for months by Kovac as personal sex slaves and then sold as chattel.

Women were assaulted in front of their children. Others were forced at gunpoint to strip and paraded outdoors. Several tried to commit suicide.

"Not one of them will ever forget," said Ryneveld.

The U.N. tribunal, established in 1993, has convicted 14 Bosnian Serbs, Muslims and Croats and handed down prison sentences of up to 45 years.

No date for a verdict in the rape case has been set by the trial chamber's president, Florence Mumba of Zambia.

The tribunal is known to take sex crimes very seriously in contrast to the Nuremberg and Tokyo war crimes trials following World War II, where they were not prosecuted. The

court's statutes require no corroboration of rape victims' testimony.

The accused allegedly fought with paramilitary gangs in the southeastern Bosnian city of Foca, "ethnically cleansed" by Serb forces at the outset of the 1992-95 Bosnian war.

Women were separated from their husbands and detained with their daughters for up to 2 1/2 years in a sports hall, a high school and Serb homes.

The defendants claimed the sex was consensual. Kunarac, the key defendant, went so far as to assert that one of the victims actually forced herself on him.

Prosecutors, however, rejected Kunarac's claim, saying the girl was coerced into having sex with the gang leader by his sub-commander.

During the trial, defense lawyers challenged the motives of the witnesses, alleging they concocted the stories together.

"There was only one reason, and one reason alone, for the witnesses to point their fingers at these accused," said American prosecutor Peggy Kuo. "These men did these unspeakable things to them."

ISRAEL

Three Israeli siblings suffer bomb injuries

Associated Press

BEERSHEBA

Two years ago, Noga Cohen's children escaped injury when a suicide bomber blew himself up near their school bus. But on Monday another bomb struck home.

Three of Cohen's seven children — her son Israel, 7, and two daughters, Tehila, 9, and Orit, 12 — lost limbs when their bus was sprayed by shrapnel from a mortar shell detonated by Palestinian militants as it traveled from the Kfar Darom settlement to their school in the Gaza Strip.

Israel lost a leg, Orit part of a foot, and Tehila was badly hurt in both legs.

"It looks like there are no more miracles," said Cohen, as she waited at Soroka Hospital in the Negev Desert town of Beersheba for word from doctors on whether they would have to amputate Tehila's legs.

Cohen, 32, and her husband Ofir, 33, have lived in Kfar Darom, a settlement of 250 families surrounded by Palestinian-controlled areas, for 10 years.

Ideology brought the Cohens to Gaza. They wanted to claim some of the poverty-stricken, overcrowded strip with 1 million Palestinian residents for

the Jewish people. The Cohens, who are among 6,500 settlers in Gaza, believe Gaza is part of Eretz Israel, the biblical land promised to the Jews by God.

But Noga Cohen said she never imagined she "would have to pay such a heavy price for safeguarding our homeland."

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak visited the Cohen children Monday evening.

"These are children who will carry on their bodies, for the rest of their lives, the scars of this grave, criminal, barbaric act which we saw today," Barak told reporters at the hospital.

The Cohen children, along with other youngsters and adults from Kfar Darom, got on an armored bus at about 7:30 a.m. Monday for a 15-minute drive to their school in Gush Katif, a cluster of Jewish settlements in southern Gaza.

About three minutes after the bus left the heavily guarded settlement, three Palestinians detonated a 155mm mortar shell several dozen yards from the vehicle.

Shrapnel tore melon-size holes into the right side of the bus, killing two adults. Nine passengers were wounded — the driver, three women and five children.

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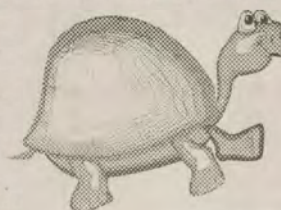


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Controversial abortion pill heads for U.S. clinics

♦ RU-486 still second to surgical abortion, doctors say

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

It was hailed by pro-choice groups as a turning point in the abortion wars — a pill to increase access to abortions and let women get them privately from their own doctor instead of facing shouting protesters at clinics.

But with the first RU-486 abortions to begin this week, don't expect such sweeping change yet. Private doctors so far aren't rushing to embrace the abortion pill, now called mifepristone — and many of the thousands of women flooding hot lines seeking it are learning surgical abortion remains the option most appropriate for them.

"A woman might feel that all she has to do is take a pill and the pregnancy kind of magically disappears, and of course that's not true," said Dr. Maureen Paul of Boston's Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts.

Many clinics are about to

offer mifepristone abortions using a method that means less hassle for patients than the Food and Drug Administration-approved method — swallowing fewer pills and making one less doctor visit.

Still, it takes several days and miscarriage-like cramping and bleeding before the pill-caused abortion is complete, while surgical abortions are finished within an hour. And the pill only works in early pregnancy — 49 days after the start of the last menstrual period — caveats a b o r t i o n providers must ensure that women understand.

The FDA approved mifepristone in September, 12 years after European women began using it and after years of bitter opposition by anti-abortion groups.

On Monday, U.S. marketer Danco Laboratories shipped the first mifepristone supplies, mostly to abortion clinics affiliated with Planned Parenthood

and the National Abortion Federation. More than 300 such clinics are expected to offer the pills within a few weeks. Most say they'll cost the same as surgery — \$300 to \$700.

Women can get mifepristone, known by the brand name Mifeprex, only directly from

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Maureen Paul
doctor for Planned Parenthood

One graphic Internet site is identifying doctors who offer mifepristone and other abortions, sometimes naming their children, too. It's a reincarnation of a mid-1990s site that some Internet providers shut down after doctors were attacked.

But there also are practical obstacles: Insurers are debating whether and how much to pay for mifepristone. Doctors

must get mifepristone training. They must be able to date early pregnancy and uncover ectopic pregnancies that require special care. For the rare cases when mifepristone fails, they must either perform a surgical abortion or have a backup surgeon on call.

Some gynecologists and family practitioners in regions where abortion access is limited are showing interest. Forty attended mifepristone training at the Women's Health Center of Duluth, Minn., where women drive hundreds of miles from parts of Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin to get abortions. Nobody knows, however, how many of the physicians then ordered the drug.

Key may be how many patients ask their doctors for it, says Dr. Steven Tamarin, a New York City family practitioner who has never performed abortions because he's not a surgeon. Yet he has referred so many patients to abortion clinics that he plans to offer mifepristone next month — but only to his regular patients.

Regardless of where women get mifepristone, what can they expect? It depends on where they get the pill.

Mifepristone blocks the action of progesterone, vital for an embryo to develop. A second drug, misoprostol, causes contractions to expel the embryo. Studies show the combination causes abortion 95 percent of the time; serious bleeding is a very rare side effect.

The FDA instructs women to swallow three mifepristone tablets, return to the doctor two days later to swallow two misoprostol tablets, and return again within two weeks for the doctor to check that the abortion worked.

But many abortion clinics plan to have women swallow one mifepristone tablet and carry misoprostol home where, two days later, they'll insert it vaginally. Then they'll make one return doctor visit to ensure the abortion worked. A study in the Journal of the American Medical Association found the second, easier method worked as well.

Only women in the first seven weeks of pregnancy are candidates. Most state abortion laws also apply to mifepristone, so timing the pill must take into account waiting periods and parental notification requirements.

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Massachusetts nurse on trial for veteran deaths

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SPRINGFIELD, Mass. A nurse murdered four patients at a veterans hospital because she liked the thrill of medical emergencies and wanted to impress her boyfriend, a prosecutor said in opening statements Monday in Massachusetts' first capital case

since the 1980s. Kristen Gilbert, 33, of Setauket, N.Y., is accused of murdering four patients at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Northampton by injecting them with high levels of adrenaline. She is also accused of trying to kill three other patients. Defense attorney David Hoose said that all the patients who died were suffering from serious

illnesses that ultimately killed them. "All life ends," he said. "For the four men who died here, life has simply come to an end." Hoose said investigators made a scapegoat out of Gilbert, and suggested her colleagues turned against her because they sided with her husband in a divorce. Massachusetts banned the death penalty in 1984. This is a

federal case, brought by the government because the alleged crimes took place on federal property.

Prosecutor William Welch said Gilbert provoked medical emergencies so she could respond and attract the attention of peers and James Perrault, her boyfriend who worked as a hospital security guard.

In emergencies, Gilbert was seen flirting with Perrault and pressing her body suggestively against him, the prosecutor said. He said she once climbed atop a patient and straddled him, apparently to display a garter belt to Perrault.

The prosecutor displayed photographs of the patients on several oversized television monitors around the courtroom. He then showed the jury a vial of adrenaline and said Gilbert "transformed this drug from a drug of life into a drug of death, solely for her own personal, selfish pleasures."

Adrenaline is usually used to restore a normal beat to a stalled heart, but when used incorrectly can make the heart race.

Welch said that each man had a normally functioning heart when he entered the intensive care unit and that Gilbert tried to cover her tracks

by falsifying medical reports.

He said Gilbert confessed to the attacks to Perrault and to her ex-husband. He quoted her as telling Perrault, "I did it! I did it! You wanted to know? I killed all those guys by injection."

Welch said it is practically impossible for so many patients with strong hearts to suffer cardiac arrests for no apparent reason. He said that is like "lightning striking not once, not twice, not three times, but multiple times ... in the same ward — and all following this defendant."

If the jurors convict Gilbert of murder, they must decide in a separate penalty phase

whether she should get the death penalty or life in prison without parole.

Massachusetts last executed an inmate in 1947 and has not had capital punishment since the state's highest court struck down the death penalty in 1984 during an attempt by prosecutors to bring the death penalty against three men accused of gunning down a state trooper.

"There's something deeply unsettling about seeing a federal capital trial in a state that has said no to that," said Ann Lambert, a lawyer for the state branch of the American Civil Liberties Union. The ACLU opposes the death penalty.

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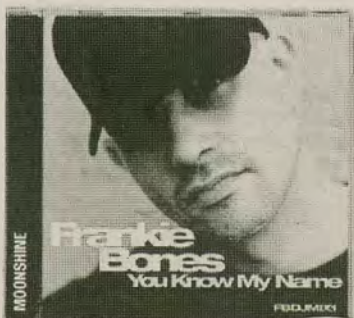
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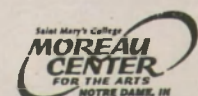
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I think therefore I am ... what?

Does anyone else realize we are all insane? I'm talking loopy-loo-put-me-in-a-straightjacket nuts. And finally, I've found the reason why. I'm a college student. This mental state comes with the territory.

Think about it. Think about all the ridiculous things you or I have done in our time here and I do not mean at parties or the like. I mean only college students would think it was absolutely OK to stay up until the wee hours of the morning studying our brains out for a test and then do the same thing again two nights later. Looking back on my past years here, I had a revelation. A breakthrough. An epiphany, if you will. That test I had last week that I walked into knowing nothing and walked out of as if I had just been held hostage for the last 50 minutes ... it won't matter in 10 years.

Hell, it won't matter next year when I'm in the "real world" and will (hopefully) have a job. I highly doubt that a perspective employer is going to question how my test grade was the week of November whatever. If they do care, then I am telling you now, I'm in trouble.

And 30 years down the line in my job that I will hopefully have, it really won't matter, because by that point it probably will not matter if I even went to college.

So why do we go to college anyway? Some people say it's because it's the best four, five or six years of your life. To which I say, if the best times these people had were crammed into a short four year period, then they lead sad, sad lives. Because I, for one, do not plan on letting the memorable and fantastic times I have had over the years come to a screeching halt on May 19, 2001.

Considering some 15 million people are enrolled in colleges and universities across the country and about 9.4 million of these people are under the age of 25, there must be some good reason why we do this. Why, after 12 years of learning we choose to go on for at least another four. Why we voluntarily stay up late and get up early to make the best grades we possibly can. Why we push ourselves to be at the top of our class. Why we

make the decision to go days without showering because our class and study schedule does not allow the time to do so.

I decided to search why other people I know went to college. Their answers were surprising, though not abnormal. Well, not really. "It's been ingrained in my head since I was little," "It's what comes between high school and marriage," "It was either go to college or pay rent," "Well, when I was little, other kids played house and I played college dorm room," "Beers and chicks."

So where does this leave me? Still lost as to why I went to college and why anyone goes to college. I guess it could be because a higher education can give you a better job and help you attain goals in your life, but think of all the people who did that and never went to college. And think of the people who tried college and it simply was not their bag and they still wound up doing whatever it was they wanted to do to live out their dream. Think of the fact that just because you have a degree does not entitle you to your dream job or any job for that matter. If that's the way it's going to be, then I'm going to sell back my books now and take the 12 dollars and go see a movie. I'm hoping, however, my B.A. in English will mean something more than the 'x' amount of dollars spent on an education, a constant cough and cold because my body is too weak from lack of sleep to fight the sniffles anymore and the knowledge that if you pull an all-nighter, Papa John's stops delivering at 2 a.m. and "Law & Order" comes on at 4 a.m. on A&E.

I am in no way a philosophy major and I do not have all the answers. One answer I can come up with is that col-

lege is just something you do if you feel the need and being individuals, we all do things differently. For some, it's a natural progression of sorts. I honestly don't know what I would have done had I not gone to college (except maybe live out my dream from when I was five years old and wanted to be a Jewel check-out clerk) and I guess that is really why I'm here — to figure out what I want to do. (I'm open to suggestions, by the way.)

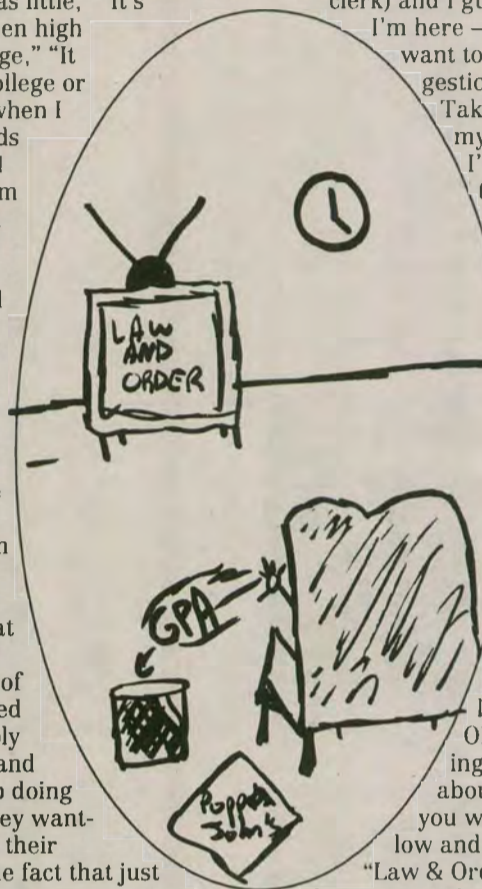
Taking a look back at all my classes, all the things I've done, in and out of the classroom, and my whole college "experience," I've realized that I am, indeed, nuts. My mental state at times is not so hot and there are weeks when I question everyday that I'm here.

If you can live through that sense you get every once in a while of "why am I here?" and realize that deep down the reason you are in college is because you love to learn, then it will be OK. It's a love of knowing all there is to know about a subject that makes you want to forgo your pillow and blankets and skip

"Law & Order," just so you can learn more about your passion, whether it be English, Biology or Marketing. If you love it, you do question it sometimes. Especially since learning can occasionally really suck. But we do always come back for more. It's inevitable. Think about it. You may not realize it now, but you like it. You may even love it. You may even want some more of it.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Princes of Babylon rock Senior Bar

On behalf of Student Union Board (SUB) and the Princes of Babylon, we would like to extend our deepest thanks to all those who attended the band's show last Saturday at Senior Bar. Being the third installment of our monthly Loft Show series, the Philadelphia band treated the enthusiastic crowd with over two hours of its unique blend of rock, blues and hip-hop. The Princes of Babylon were very grateful and impressed by the support of the ND community.

Please be sure to check out the next Loft Show, Umphrey's McGee on Nov. 30 at LaFortune Ballroom.

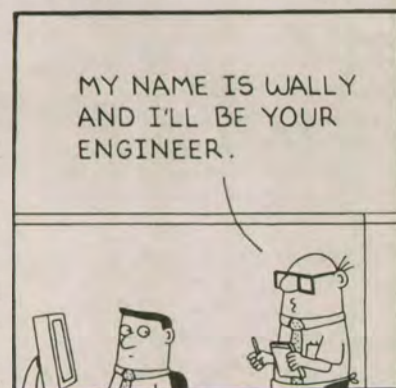
Having recently opened for the likes of Bela Fleck and Leftover Salmon, the band returns to its alma mater for an all ages show.

Again, many thanks to everyone who made Saturday's show an absolute blast.

Emmett Malloy
Jenn Zatorski

SUB Campus Entertainment
November 19, 2000

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The education of a man is never complete until he dies."

Robert E. Lee
Civil War general

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Combating obscene phone calls

I'm writing to all the women at Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and anywhere they may reside, whether they own a telephone or not. The Bell Telephone Company has on request a brochure that instructs all of us and especially women, how to react to obscene phone calls and the like.

The timely brochure instructs us how to react to such calls. When one receives such a phone call whether it be harassing, obscene, threatening, intimidating, threats to one's life or property, bomb threats, threats, threats to inflict bodily harm or injury, threats of kidnapping or just any type of threat.

We are instructed by Bell's brochure that when such calls are received, we should "hang up immediately," (Don't tarry with this criminal individual), note the time, the date and the day, call the police, whether campus security or South Bend Police, and follow their instructions to the letter. They are experienced at this kind of criminal behavior. Some people are afraid to be rude and may carry on a conversation. The more one talks, the more this individual will harass you. Don't listen, but as I mentioned before, hang up immediately without delay.

My nephew Doug who is employed by the Bell Telephone Company remarked to me that Bell receives thousands of such calls each day in the U.S.A. Pass the word along.

Brother Edward V. Courtney, C.S.C.
Columba Hall
November 16, 2000

Women's soccer enjoys support

I just wanted to take a minute to thank the Notre Dame student body for their unbelievable support at our NCAA playoff game Friday night. On a night when temperatures dropped to about 20 degrees and snow was all around, our team witnessed what was probably the best student support and turnout in my two years as a coach of the women's team.

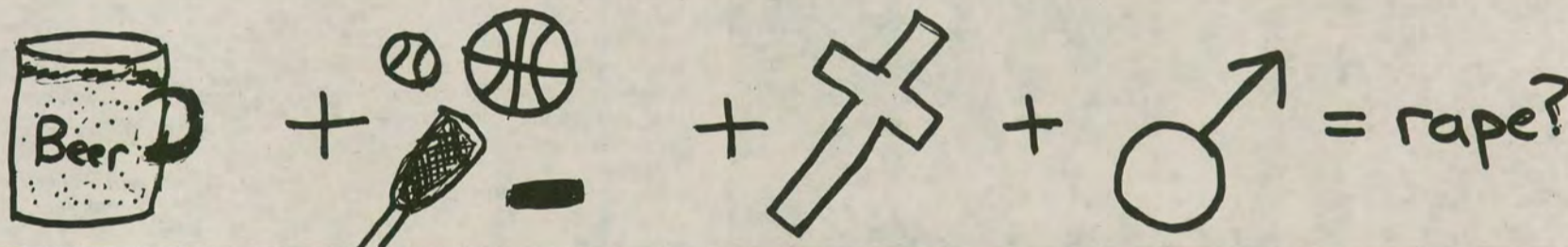
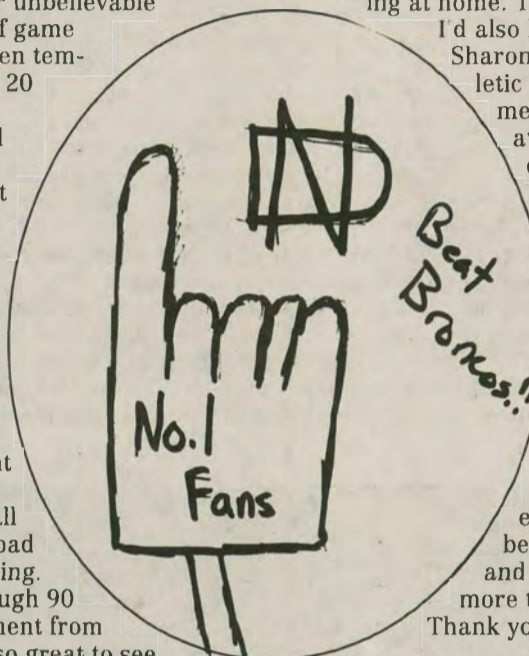
I am extremely impressed by the fact that you all would not only give up your Friday night, but that you would do so in the weather conditions that we had. I cannot put into words how much that meant to our team and ultimately our victory. Just to let you all know, when we go on the road the student turnout is amazing. We are always playing through 90 minutes of nonstop harassment from our opponents fans. It was so great to see our students turnout in force waving yellow number one signs! Even though out attendance from the community has been great, it was the first time

in a while that we truly felt the advantage of playing at home. Thank you so much!

I'd also like to thank John Micek and Sharon Bui for their work in the athletic division of our student government. Thanks to them and the athletic department for their donations to purchase the "number one" finger signs that were used as give-aways at the game. I'd also like to thank all the students and in particular the residents of Knott Hall and Fisher Hall. You guys were awesome!

Lastly, I want to take a moment to thank the men's soccer team. The support you have shown our team this entire year is incredible. It's been special to all of our players and I personally appreciate it, more than I can express in words. Thank you!

Randy Waldrum
Notre Dame Women's Soccer Coach
November 20, 2000



Progress at our 'rape-prone' school

Let's talk about rape. I take that back. Let's talk about why we don't talk about rape.

This editorial is not belated, because we must make sure that sexual assault awareness, as related to this campus, lasts longer than one week.

Last Monday, anthropologist and rape researcher Peggy Sanday informed the student body of her discoveries about rape occurrences at universities. The next day I was talking to a friend, senior Eric Glass and mentioned her lecture. Before I could summarize her findings, Eric interrupted me. "I bet this campus is the perfect example of a 'rape-prone' campus," he said. I was shocked. Not because of what Eric said, but because if you ask Peggy Sanday, Glass is right. Her description of a "rape-prone" campus was frighteningly close to Domer-home.

Let's look at Sanday's criteria for classifying a "rape-prone" campus: Importance of athletics (at Notre Dame ... what?), binge drinking (no way, Molly's is much better than Bridget's!), emphasis on all-male groups (130 years as an all-male school is a short period of time!), homophobia (didn't they just pass that new policy?) and administration and religious stances that tend to promote silence (um ... am I going to Res Life for this?).

It is understandable that one might feel the subject of sexual assault isn't applicable enough to be a hot topic at Notre Dame, but there are now ways to consid-

er rape that expand its operational definition. The "stranger in the bushes" cliché is seldom apropos these days. In fact, stranger rape on college campuses is almost nonexistent. Acquaintance rape, on the other hand, incorporates many types of incidents that are strongly connected to campus life, such as the friendly stranger at a party scene, the casual friend scene and even the dating scene.

No matter whether a woman suffers stranger rape or acquaintance rape, the psychological effects on her are devastating. In fact, those who feel their negative sexual experience doesn't constitute rape "are just as likely to suffer from psychological distress as those who name their experiences rape," reports Martin D. Schwartz from Violence Against Women. In other words, when a girl is too drunk to say no and is too confused the next morning to know if she consented, her mental suffering will not be any less than a girl who is raped by brute force.

Enter the unfounded, ridiculous self-blame theory: the idea that women have no reason to claim rape because they couldn't control their own drinking. This argument is most dangerous when it comes from feminists, such as K. Roiphe, author of "The Morning After." Roiphe writes that "claims" for rape are basically a defense mechanism. The publication of her book received lots of attention even though she has no proof for her statements and wrote this book while a graduate student in English at Harvard University. In short, she's not a rape research expert and wasn't trained to be. It is indisputable that the acquaintance factor and the self-blame factor are serious points of concern for universities.

Our dialogue on the subject is too limit-

ed. "Rape should not be considered a woman's issue; it is a man's issue too," says Glass. Rape dialogue is assumed to be exclusive to a female forum. We can see other examples of this compartmentalizing in, for example, our major party political platforms. When canvassing females, these platforms focus on "women's issues" — that is, domestic policy and child care. Foreign policy, social security and weapon control are not considered "women's issues," as though women don't care about them or are too unworldly to participate in the debate! If rape were part of the larger, general forum, male awareness would surely decrease the likelihood of sexual assault.

Talking can't help if talking isn't allowed. Are we sure of our own University's statistics? What we do know is still unclear. In 1998, Congress toughened the 1990 Clery Act requiring universities to regularly post crime data. It added the potential fine for \$25,000 for each unreported crime. However, if the cases are not handled in a court of law, they are not technically considered crimes. Almost every sexual assault case at this University is handled in the Office of Residence Life. Sanday pointed out that the expense of how the "image of the institution mattered" is alarming.

In all fairness, the hush-hush treatment is a trend that happens at universities all over the country. "It is usually the senior administrators, not the campus police, who want to hide this stuff," says S. Daniel Carter, vice president of Security on Campus Inc. "No one wants to look bad. And no one wants to go first." This is no excuse for hiding the facts, however. We shouldn't keep promoting the Myth of the Flawless Bubble.

And again in all fairness, many rape survivors will not talk either. Sanday warned that silence is the worst thing of all. Victims need to look for help from the administration, newspapers, police, friends and courts or counselors. I will always remember a friend of mine who struggled with the negative labeling she received from others here because, first, she would not reveal the identity of her acquaintance on campus who raped her and, second, she did not fit the typical "victim" image. I did not know what more I could do except to listen and that was frustrating.

What is most important is the progress we continue to try to make. And I do believe that we've come a long way. My stepfather was an R.A. for Flanner Hall in 1973, the year after women were first admitted to this University. His biggest dorm problem that year happened to be a rape case involving a male in his section and a female student. Although the charges were made on very good grounds and were proven, the male student suffered absolutely no consequences from the administration. Nothing happened to him. Everything was handled behind closed doors and then swept under the rug.

Proof of progress: the Office of Residence Life has wall-to-wall carpeting.

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ALBUM REVIEW

Blink 182 finds success with mix of new and old

By BRIAN KORNMANN
Scene Music Critic

Blink 182 has travelled an unusual road to success within the music industry, and its latest album, *The Mark, Tom and Travis Show*, stands as a live collaboration of its musical and comedic efforts along the way.

Formed in 1991 by friends Mark Hoppus and Tom DeLonge, the San Diego punk trio developed a rapid underground following based on their insane live shows and raw energy. The band's hard work in the underground punk scene led to a friendship with the very Blink-esque punk icons, *Vandals*. Under the *Vandals* supervision, Blink released its first album, *Buddha*, on cassette only in 1994.

Following the release of *Buddha*, Blink began touring heavily with the

likes of the *Vandals*. The band spent considerable time overseas, particularly in Australia, where it developed a very large fan base that would pay its dividends over the next three years. Based on a growing reputation and overseas popularity, Cargo records signed Blink to a one album deal in early 1995. *Cheshire Cat* was released in late 1995, and for the first time, the band gained national exposure within the United States. College radio picked up on the release and the album became a moderate success. Blink's big break, however, would not come until later.

In 1997, MCA records decided to sign Blink to a record contract, specifically because of the band's huge popularity in Australia. Because the name Blink already belonged to an Irish band, the band decided to re-christen itself as Blink 182, and in late 1997, released the album *Dude Ranch* under the new

name.

Dude Ranch brought Blink 182 nationwide success and airplay based on songs such as "Dammit," "Untitled," and "Voyeur." The band gained even more national exposure spending consecutive years on the Vans Warped Tour and tours with Punk-Ska mainstays *Less Than Jake*.

Between appearing in *American Pie* and working on their third album, *Enema of the State*, Blink 182 kept busy for the next two years which lead up to the release of the band's fourth album, *The Mark, Tom and Travis Show*.

The album is captured from 1999 live shows in both San Francisco and Los Angeles and mainly features songs

from *Enema of the State*, intermixed with some songs off both *Dude Ranch* and *Cheshire Cat*. The album also contained the previously unreleased track *Man Overboard*.

For a live album, *The Mark, Tom and Travis Show* is about as good as it comes. The release captures Blink's sound very well and also does an excellent job of conveying the raw energy of a Blink 182 show.

The Mark, Tom and Travis Show

Blink 182

MCA Records

Rating



Perhaps its best feature is the excessively crude, vulgar and disgusting commentary made by the band throughout the album. From guest appearances, such as the voice of Satan, to repeated requests for crowd nudity and bowel function wisecracks, the release captures the hilarity that has always been associated with Blink 182's live show.

On the other hand, one decided weakness of the album is its over reliance on the newer, watered-down, pop-punk Blink 182 songs from *Enema of the State*. Among many Blink 182 fans, *Enema* is recognized as the band's weakest release because

of its poppy nature and (thanks to the wonders of Carson Daly and TRL) gross national overexposure.

Overall, the album is good but does not stack up to the live albums released by the *Pixies*, *NOFX*, *Less Than Jake* or *Pearl Jam* in recent years. Nonetheless, the album will appeal to both hardcore fans and to the newer Blink 182 fans as well. For fans who have some money to spare and consider themselves a fan of Blink 182, *The Mark, Tom and Travis Show* would not be a bad investment.



Photo courtesy of blink182.com

The Mark, Tom and Travis Show not only offers a strong showcase of the band's talent to play live, but a clear view into the insanity that is a Blink show as well.

ALBUM REVIEW

Reflection embodies next step for hip-hop

By ADRIENNE THOMPSON
Scene Music Critic

Mas-ter-piece \mas-ter-pes\ n: an outstanding work of art or craft; something superlative of its kind.

The simple, succinct definition above speaks volumes about *Reflection Eternal*, the latest album from Rawkus Records featuring lyricist Talib Kweli and producer DJ HI-TEK. As major members of the unique mainstream/underground scene which, according to Kweli, is "[breaking] the surface quite like an alligator nose," this duo has successfully detached itself from the blatant repetitiveness and foolishness present in commercial rap today, supporting the intelligence of its underground counterpart at the same time. *Reflection Eternal* showcases Kweli's concern with black consciousness, history and enlightenment. HI-TEK employs an eclectic range of beats and scratches for each track, making the album a mosaic of themes and sounds.

The album begins with "Move Something," in which Kweli dismisses other rappers, proclaiming, "To be continued/ Let's see what's on the menu run up in you/ Lyrics that be fu**n with you in the mental/ Pick any mental: instru, funda, detri, extra, extra large..."

Here, HI-TEK's production complements Kweli's style and delivery perfectly, emphasizing the force and magnitude of his words.

On the exceptional "This Means You," Talib and

Mos Def, his partner from the Rawkus-born duo *Black Star*, display their inherent chemistry and artistic compatibility. Where Mos Def is forceful and loud, Kweli is subdued and composed. Their verbal exchanges include numerous allusions to the boroughs of New York, childhood memories and their superior skills. HI-TEK employs the floating beauty of strings, making the track all the more perfect.

Next is the haunting "Too Late," in which Kweli questions the present status of hip-hop, saying, "Nowadays rap artists coming half-hearted/ Commercial like pop or underground like black markets/ Where were you the day hip-hop died?/ Is it too early to mourn, is it too late to ride?"

Here, he argues that there is a definite inconsistency in today's rap and also subtly positions himself in the "neutral" category of an underground artist who is commercially well received but not quite mainstream.

This status allows artists such as Mos Def, Pharoah Monch, Dilated Peoples and Common, among others, to rest comfortably with their fame and success without feeling that they have sold out or that they have foolishly diminished the quality of their music for popularity's sake.

In keeping in line with the trend of hip-hop collaborations, Kweli seeks the aid of the highly esteemed group *De La Soul* to energize "Soul

Reflection Eternal
Talib Kweli and HI TEK

Rawkus Records

Rating



Rebels," a track tinged by HI-TEK, with a reggae feel. Also, the angelic voices of the French duo, *Les Nubians*, soften the well-written "Love Language," which preaches the universality of love and emotion.

Although those music fans that fall squarely within either of Kweli's aforementioned categories — extreme commercial or radical underground — may sleep on this album, there is something to be said about riding the line. Talib and HI-TEK have successfully combined the lyricism and enlightenment of underground rap with some of the beats and themes of more mainstream artists.

Ultimately, they create an album that could easily spark a revolutionary change in the blatant stratification of music and status in the hip-hop world.

ALBUM REVIEW

Forever abandons 'girl power' for lame imitation

By TIM BODONY
Scene Music Critic

A picture is worth a thousand words, or in this case, a thousand notes. True to that rule, the cover of the new Spice Girls album, *Forever*, says more about the state of affairs in Spiceworld than the actual music does. No color. No more Village People-esque profiling giving each girl an identity. No marauding enthusiasm. No Geri. Nope, nothing but bland black attire and forced smiles (no teeth from Posh, as per usual).

The same holds true for the music. *Forever* is a failed attempt at maturity that lacks the adolescent and playful energy of the Spice Girls' first release, *Spice*. Where that album set trends, or at least instilled the virtues of "girl power," *Forever* merely mimics pop styles that have sold well in recent years.

Much of the blame for this album rests with its blatantly money-chasing producers. But what are the Spice Girls if not an overly produced marketing ploy? It has been this way from the start. These ladies did not meet in the smoky back room of a London jazz club — they answered a casting call put out by the London entertainment publication, *The Stage*. The ad read:

"R.U. 18-23 with the ability to sing/dance? R.U. streetwise, outgoing, ambitious and dedicated?" Feeding off the burgeoning hormones of adolescent boys, as well as the naiveté of young girls searching for role models, the Spice Girls project did quite well after it hit American shores in 1996.

Though inherently contrived and artificial, the Spice Girls was fun and entertaining — all that a group of this type should be. It didn't matter that the girls lacked talent or creative ideas of their own; as long as their producers and managers stuck to the game plan, everything went well. But now these producers have led the band painfully astray. *Forever* tries desperately to build a new image for the Spice Girls, vainly relocating the band to the world of adult contemporary and modern R&B. Exiled from their original image, the Spice Girls is no longer spicy. And thanks to three years of tabloid-filling escapades, they are no longer girls.

The album's naughtiest and worst track, "If You Wanna Have Some Fun," clearly portrays this transformation. As always, our heroines are looking for some action. But instead of announcing their desire to "zig-a-zig-ahh," they ask an unknown and apparently attractive male: "Tell me, do you like the rudest stuff?" Mel B's forays

into child-bearing and marriage/divorce cycles suddenly make sense. To make matters worse, Scary needlessly interjects the phrase "In a rub a dub style" in the song's rap interlude. Fortunately, Bob Marley is not alive to hear this. Unfortunately, the rest of us are.

The beautiful irony of *Forever* is that it openly judges itself.

The lyrics repeatedly show signs of self-awareness, with the Spicers trying to justify their continued existence at some times, and practically calling out for help at others. "Right Back at Ya" tries to plead their case, insisting that "there've been tears along the way/ But we're still the best of friends" and that they are "not forgetting the days when we were all wannabes."

But the music fails to validate these claims. Far from vigorously asserting their



Forever
Spice Girls
Virgin Records
Rating

return to pop dominance, this song hits about as hard as a plastic hammer.

The best revelations surface in the song "Tell Me Why," a face-lift of just about every Janet Jackson song ever written, yet still admittedly catchy. The girls cry out "tell me why oh why did we end up this way," and if the references to Ginger's departure were not already apparent enough, then merely listen on: "Tell me why/ Did you feel you couldn't stay/ But we could have stayed together/ But you wanted it this way." That pretty much sums it up.

FEATURE COLUMN

Ben Folds Five bids fond farewell to music scene

A few weeks ago, Ben Folds Five, arguably the most underrated band of the 90s, decided to call it quits.

The piano-powered rock trio from Chapel Hill, N.C. said they have accomplished as much as they could as a band, and after six great years of music, it is time to move on. The three individuals (Ben Folds on piano, Darren Jessee on drums, and Robert Sledge on bass) already have solo projects on the horizon, including Folds' debut solo album due out this spring.

The news came as a shock to the hard-core fans who enjoyed the band's stellar albums and incredible live shows. Although they really only had one radio hit in the single "Brick," Ben Folds had a loyal fan base that packed clubs across the nation. Supposedly, Sony/550 was less than excited by the low sales of the latest album. The band's songs apparently lacked marketing appeal, despite the presence of Folds' catchy transitions in nearly every tune.

It is a shame that the band could not continue for a few more years, but let's be honest, Ben Folds Five was not going to attract a huge amount of fans anytime soon, especially since its only radio hit occurred nearly three years ago.

I saw this band as a group of visionaries. I never purchase a compact disc until I have heard at least three tracks from the album and have a good sense of what the band is about. This was not the case with *Whatever and Ever Amen* by Ben Folds Five. I read a review of the disc by columnist Brian McCollum in *The Detroit Free Press* back in 1997. I got a strange, happy feeling from the review and decided to purchase the album without hearing any of the tracks. When the frantic opening piano line from "One Angry Dwarf and 200 Solemn Faces" raided my bedroom, I immediately fell in love with the band. I couldn't believe what I was hearing. There were three men making this gigantic

sound that just wouldn't let up.

The entire album captivated me. I soon saw my first show on the Horde Tour that summer and was equally amazed by the band. Two albums and five shows later, Ben Folds Five is still one of my favorite bands. Folds called its music "punk rock for sissies." Well, I am definitely a sissy then.

Although the band is history, there's no reason that the men of Ben Folds Five should be forgotten. They produced some of the most original music of the 90s, and recognition is certainly in order. If you have never heard the band before, check out its catalog. I have included a summary of all four releases and even give a description of one amazing live show.

Ben Folds Five (1995)

The band's debut album was an independent success selling well over 200,000 in its limited release. Notable tracks include the anthemic "Philosophy," the peppy "Where's Summer B" and the live favorite "Underground." The closing track, "Boxing," has since been covered by Bette Midler.

Overall, the album provides a great introduction to Ben Folds Five. The songs on this disc showcase the band's spontaneity and playfulness. The quintessential "The Last Polka" basically sums up the band's ability to create thoughtful music without a hesitance to rock hard with a piano, bass and drums.

Whatever and Ever Amen (1997)

This album will be remembered as the effort that brought Ben Folds Five to the forefront of modern rock. Forget the hit "Brick." This major label debut twists from angst with "Song for the Dumped," to puppy love in "Kate," to lost dreams in "Smoke." The delicate "Selfless Cold and Composed" always makes me think of the first time I saw them play live and will always put me in a trance.

Caleb Southern's production technique lets the band act like children and adults at the same time. Song sequences and transitions are all aligned perfectly, making this album one-of-a-kind. This disc will always be the band's most commercially successful. *Whatever and Ever Amen* was both

accessible and magnificent.

Naked Baby Photos (1998)

This collection of B-sides, live rarities and previously unreleased studio material was a big hit with the super fans, but ignored by the mainstream consumers. The collection on this album reveals how the group evolved musically and also showcases its influences. "Eddie Walker" is as meaningful as it is tongue-in-cheek, and "Emaline" forces the listener to basically laugh at relationships.

The goofy live tracks, including "Satan is My Master" and "The Ultimate Sacrifice," are very entertaining and succeed in showing these musicians' sense of humor. "For Those of Y'all Who Wear Fannie Packs" is a hilarious, impromptu rip on rap music that never gets old. This album is a must for hard-core fans.

The Unauthorized Biography of Reinhold Messner (1999)

Reinhold Messner was the band's crowning achievement. Although the album was still piano-based, the band experimented with a wide array of keyboards and new sounds. A string section and even a horn section found its way into the mix with "Don't Change Your Plans," "Army" and "Lullabye."

This release was the closest Ben Folds Five got to a concept album. Reinhold Messner is the real name of a man who scaled Mt. Everest, but it is far from being about him. The disc is more about the typical male that has problems dealing with relationships, career and even himself. "Don't Change Your Plans" might be the best Ben Folds Five song of all time, and

"Army" proved that they could still rock. The Darren Jessee penned "Magic" explores the loss of loved ones, and "Mess" discusses low self-esteem. This release may be the best album of 1999. All in all, the band's best work.

The Live Performances

Ben Folds Five was not a jam band. It was simply a great live band that injected its album tunes with energy. The first time I saw the band back in 1997, I couldn't believe what was going on. Here were these three nerdy guys armed with a piano, bass and drums, jumping up and

down on stage. There were no fancy lights, electric guitars or corporate sponsorship — just amazing music in its most raw form. Of course, the band would play a healthy dose of its album material along with the favorite "Theme From Dr. Pysner." A wide range of covers included the hilarious "She Don't Use Jelly," "Video Killed the Radio Star" and "Freebird."

Every other time I saw the boys perform there was the same result: The crowd would go absolutely nuts and I would be in another world. I have often told people that Ben Folds Five could play the exact same set every night and I would still go to the show because it really wasn't about the songs themselves. It was more about three friends having a good time doing what they loved to do and sharing their experiences with new friends they would meet along the way.

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Scene Music
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Photo courtesy of benfoldsfive.com

After six years of making rock 'n' roll fun again, Ben Folds Five has called it quits.

FOOTBALL

Notre Dame travels to California, dreaming of BCS bowl

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

A possible Bowl Championship Series bowl hangs in the balance as the Irish travel to Los Angeles to battle the USC Trojans Saturday. But a chance to win in the Coliseum for the first time since 1992 and lock up that BCS bid isn't the only reason the Irish are anxious to hop on a plane to the West Coast.

"This is crazy weather out there," senior captain Dan O'Leary said after Monday's indoor practice in the Loftus Sports Center. "I love the snow. I am from Cleveland and everything like that, but it is going to be nice to get out to California and the warm weather."

Despite California's perpetually warm weather, the Irish have received a cold reception from the Trojans on their last three trips west. In 1994, the Men of Troy snapped an 11-game losing streak with a 17-17 tie.

The Trojans ended their 13-game winless streak against the Irish when Notre Dame returned in 1996. USC won 27-20 in overtime and ended Notre Dame's chances for a BCS bowl. The loss to USC also ended Lou Holtz's career at Notre Dame.

Bob Davie led the Irish back to L.A. with a BCS bid on the line in 1998, but without starting quarterback Jarious Jackson, the offense sputtered as Notre Dame was shutout for the first time since 1987, 10-0.

O'Leary remembers the dejected feeling he had walking off the field in 1998, but said the past will not play a part in Saturday's game.

"It was pretty disturbing [losing in 1998] but we don't like to look too much to the past," the fifth-year senior said. "What's done is done. We have USC this week and we're not going to make the same mistakes we made in '98."

Davie emphasized that the 2000 Irish are not the same as the teams that haven't won in LA since 1992.

"This is an entirely different team," he said. "We are going to enjoy this game and enjoy the preparation for this game. I am jacked about this one and I know our team will be."

This year's match-up appears to be a mismatch. USC is unranked with a 5-6 record and no chance for a bowl bid. Notre Dame enters the game ranked No. 11 in the latest BCS standings. If the Irish win, they should be eligible for a BCS bowl and will most likely be selected for either the Fiesta or Sugar bowls. A loss would send the Irish back to the Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla.

The Irish are not concerning themselves with the BCS implications of the game or the history of the series. O'Leary said they are completely focused on this week's game and this week's game alone.

"We can't control what happens with [the BCS] so we are just trying to control what we can right now," he said. "We've got USC. It's our last game of the season. We are just focusing on the things we can control — the way we play, the way we focus and the way we execute. After that game we will talk about the BCS."

In addition to the BCS-hopes dashing upsets in 1996 and 1998, USC has typically played the Irish tough as underdogs. In the 13 games where a ranked Notre Dame team took on an unranked USC team, the Trojans won six times and tied twice.

Leading the Trojan upset bid this year is sophomore quarterback Carson Palmer. Palmer rushed for a 2-yard touchdown in USC's 1998 win. Palmer was red-shirted in 1999 after breaking his collarbone in the third game of the season and missed the Notre Dame game.

Despite starting just 19 games, Palmer is the fifth-leading passer in USC history. This year Palmer has completed 55.5 percent of his passes while throwing for 2,663 and 14 touchdowns. Palmer is prone to the interception, however, as he has tossed 16 on the season. With starting cor-



JOSE CUELLAR/The Observer

Senior Joey Getherall breaks loose from a Rutgers tackle and scores a touchdown. He played an key role in the Irish victory over the Scarlet Knights.

nerback Shawn Walton out and top reserve Clifford Jefferson slowed by an injury, Palmer could pose a stiff test to the depleted Irish secondary.

Palmer will hand off to sophomore tailback Sultan McCullough who has rushed for more than 1,000 yards and scored six touchdowns this year.

Sophomore Kareem Kelly leads the USC receivers with 51 catches and three touchdowns in 2000. He was named to the Freshman All-American team in 1999 and can stretch defense with his speed.

On the defensive side of the ball, the Trojans are one of the better run-stopping teams in the country giving up just 110 yards per game on the ground. Tackles Ennis Davis and Ryan Nielsen have combined for 68 tackles, six sacks and two

forced fumbles.

Zeke Moreno leads the defense from his middle line-backer position with 89 tackles, three sacks and two fumble returns for touchdowns.

The USC secondary is a weakness this year as both starters from 1999 have been injured for all or part of the 2000 season. All-American Antuan Simmons has missed the entire season after undergoing surgery to remove a tumor in May. Darrell Rideaux, Kevin Arbet and Chris Cash have filled in for Simmons in his absence. The other starter, Kris Richards, has been slowed by a knee injury for most of 2000.

The Irish do not enter the game injury-free either. Senior tight end Jabari Holloway will miss the game with a sprained knee. Davie hopes Holloway

will return for the bowl game.

If the Irish manage to break their losing streak in the Coliseum Saturday, Davie can see only one possible destination for the Irish — a BCS bowl.

"If we were 9 and 2, you are darn right I think we deserve to go. I think there would be a bunch of people that would like to have us because we are an improving team," he said. "If you look at our football team a month from now which is when those BCS bowl games are played, we are going to be a darn good football team. A month from now, with the young players we have and quarterback who now has what amounts to a spring wall, and getting all our players healthy, we will be a pretty good football team a month from now."

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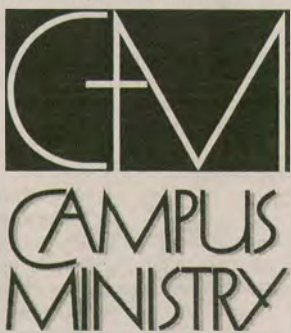
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Yesterday as I was walking up to the front door of Corby Hall, something caught my eye and I looked up. The trees had thinned to reveal a great robin's egg blue niche at the top of the building bearing a snow-white Madonna which I had not noticed in some time and had nearly forgotten. After greeting her with a barely audible "hi, Mom" I thought to myself: This is what I love about Notre Dame, around every corner there is another little Catholic surprise—signs of the devotion which inspired the hands and hearts that built this place. At Notre Dame, we form a community that is fascinated with and inspired by the pious oddities one encounters only in so Catholic a place as this. Ironically, these same expressions of devotion probably would not be included in the plans if Notre Dame were being built anew in our times. They are expressions of a piety which captures our imaginations but which the contemporary mind does not produce. The "attic" of Catholicism is full of such old furniture—devotions, doctrines, practices, prayers, relationships, ideals. Much of this furniture has collected a little dust. It could use some polish and care to become once again the prized antique in the parlor.

I was born in 1965, just as the Second Vatican Council was closing. Like almost everyone born there after, I was raised in a thoroughly contemporary Catholicism without memory of the "Old Church" as some call it. Like so many of us of the post-conciliar era, I was not well formed in the mind of the church. Education in religion, or catechesis, was poor. My own grandmother, a convert, knew her catechism front and back. My childhood memorization repertoire never extended beyond the Our Father. As an adult I have grown in my appreciation for the tradition of the Church, but with a certain wariness as well. Catholicism when seen as something quaint or nostalgic, or merely cultural, becomes little more than a historical artifact. It loses its power to convey the Gospel. All of the trappings of Catholicism have one single purpose—to draw us into a relationship with Jesus and the Kingdom he preached and made real. It is my hope in this column to polish some of the old furniture in the attic by drawing out the connections between the stuff of Catholicism and the Lord it seeks to reveal.

Please join in this column by sending your questions and suggestions to ministry.1@nd.edu.



Celebrate

This Sunday at the 11:45 am Mass in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart we will recognize those members of the Notre Dame community who are seeking to be fully initiated into the Catholic faith community in the Rite of Welcome. These men and women have met together the past several months to explore their faith and the Catholic Church more deeply through the RCIA process. Catechumens seek full initiation through the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation; Candidates are already baptized and seek to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church through the sacraments of the Eucharist and Confirmation. The Rite of Welcome gives all of us an opportunity to encourage these men and women as they continue their journey of initiation in the months ahead.

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CLUB SPORTS

Women's water polo finishes 2-0-1 in preseason tuneup

Special to The Observer

Determined to improve upon its seventh place national ranking of a year ago, the women's water polo club hosted a preseason round robin in Rolfs Aquatics Center this past weekend. Notre Dame defeated Bowling Green in the opener 9-4, tied Purdue 10-10 in the second round and throttled Northwestern in the weekend

finale 17-4.

Twelve players scored to demonstrate the team's depth.

Veterans such as junior captain Liz Parolin, who fired in seven goals, and Meg Daday, who not only played exceptional defense but also rocketed the ball into the net from six meters out, were complemented by several promising freshmen. Vickie Barone played fierce defense, while fellow frosh Allison Gienko lit up the scoreboard with 10

goals. Added to the mix next semester will be last year's leading scorer, Lauren Kuzniar, who is currently studying in London.

The club will open Midwest Conference play in early February at Ohio University.

Men's volleyball

A short-handed volleyball club playing without several starters continued to show development and promise in the Back to the

Hardwood Classic at Michigan State this weekend.

In opening pool play, the Irish split four tightly contested three game matches, beating Iowa State and Lewis before succumbing to Northwestern and Ball State. The third place finish qualified the Irish for the Division 1 Silver tournament bracket in the 41-school field.

The netters entered the tournament with only seven players and three regular starters. To

start off the tournament, Notre Dame upset a highly regarded Kentucky squad despite dropping the first game. However, the club then lost its only setter and the now six-man squad, forced to put players into new positions, was unable to overcome Michigan.

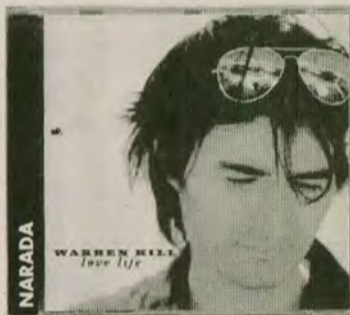
Outside hitter Adam Schreier's hitting and passing, coupled with Rob Smith's blocking and swinging and John Linzer's versatile play, kept the Irish competitive.



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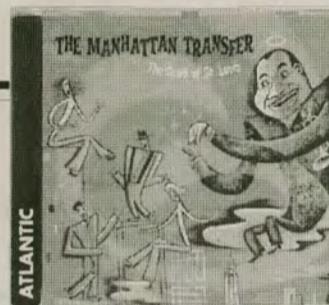
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WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

Shoulder injury puts season on hold for Nixon

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

Senior Carrie Nixon watched her teammates board the bus to Bloomington, Ind., Thursday as the women's swimming and diving team left on a weekend trip to the Indiana Invitational. Loaded down with heavy swim bags slung over their shoulders and high expectations for the competition, the squad left eager to compete in one of the biggest invitationals they would compete in during the regular season.

But as the bus pulled away from campus, it left the senior sprinter and co-captain on the sidewalk, waving goodbye to a team that would compete without her.

Nixon learned last week that she will not be competing with the women's team for the rest of the 2000-2001 season, after doctors discovered earlier this month that persistent shoulder pain was enough to require surgery. The surgery, completed Friday, Nov. 10, repaired a torn labrum, the soft tissue that connects the shoulder near the rotator cuff. The recovery period, estimated at four to six months, is long enough to knock Nixon out for the remainder of her senior season.

"She's handled it extremely well," said Bailey Weathers, head coach. "It's hard to be as competitive of an athlete as she is and be out for any period of

time. But she's probably handling this better than anyone I've ever been around."

"I don't even know if it's hit me yet," Nixon said last week. "I think it hit me a little more when the bus left, because I couldn't be there swimming with or supporting the team because it was too soon after the surgery."

Nixon, one of the most decorated swimmers in Notre Dame history, came off the best season in her collegiate career last March by placing second in the 50-yard freestyle at NCAA Championships. Earlier in the season, she had earned the title of Big East Swimmer of the Year for her performances at the Big East Championships, where she helped lead the Notre Dame squad to its fourth consecutive conference title. Before returning to school in August, Nixon narrowly missed making finals at the Olympic Trials in Indianapolis, placing high expectations for a winning season in her final year with the Irish.

But the co-captain, who had not competed yet this season to preserve her year of eligibility, will return next season as a fifth-year senior. And she doesn't mind putting this year on hold if it means she can come back to finish her college career with a bang.

"I have so many goals, but they're just going to have to wait a year," Nixon said. "This is more of a hiatus ... the decision about the surgery was really about if I could end my collegiate

career the way I wanted to. I wasn't happy with how I was training ... it was really the only choice I had."

But that doesn't mean the choice was easy.

Nixon didn't even tell the team how serious her situation was until she was certain she was going in for surgery — and even then played it down to protect her teammates.

"They weren't expecting this at all," she said. "I didn't make it out to be a big deal."

But the team is taking it as well as can be expected, said head coach Bailey Weathers.

"They've taken it in stride ... it's important to all the kids on the team that her health is a concern right now. I think they'd much rather see her get well than try to push through the season."

Nixon is determined to remain an active leader on the team, however, as she faces the challenge of fulfilling her role as co-captain for the rest of the season. After turning to football captain Grant Irons, who was sidelined earlier in the season, for advice, Nixon has made some realizations about her situation — and her role on the team.

"I still see myself as a captain, as a role model, as a leader," Nixon said. "I don't see my role as changing all that much ... but all of a sudden you have to switch your role on the team from action to support."

"I just told her not to get overwhelmed by this injury," Irons



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Senior Carrie Nixon swims in the 2000 Big East Championships. Nixon is sidelined for the remainder of this season due to a shoulder injury.

said. "It's very easy to get down on yourself and get negative but I just told her to think of the positives. Since we both have the same injury, we are going to preserve and get through this injury together."

As Nixon embarks on an intensive physical therapy program for the next several months and looks forward to shedding her sling, she will begin to re-evaluate her goals for next season. Remaining optimistic, Nixon

doesn't think the surgery should set her back — and expects to be right on track this time next year.

And part of her is thankful she has a little bit of extra time at Notre Dame.

"When the seniors go off and get jobs, I'll still be going to school ... and that's something that I couldn't pass up. The pros outweigh the cons by far. I've been offered another year of college — everyone wants that."

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Belles split weekend games at Wellesley College tourney

By KATIE McVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

This weekend provided the Saint Mary's basketball team with the springboard it needed to get this season off to a good start.

The Belles flew to Boston to take part in the Wellesley College Invitational, where they broke even. Saint Mary's lost to tournament winner Wellesley 85-45 on Saturday, but came back to dominate Johnson and Wales University 66-28 on Sunday.

"This was a very important win for us," senior captain Julie Norman said. "It not only boosts morale, but gives a lot of hope for the rest of the season."

In addition to racking up their first win of the season, the Belles were proud to bring home a record breaker and an all-team player.

Sophomore center Kristen Matha broke the school record for rebounds, racking up 18 boards for the Belles during Sunday's game. Sophomore point guard Shaun Russell, an All-Tournament selection, led Wellesley in front of a home team crowd.

Saint Mary's had a rough start against Wellesley. The Blue opened the game with a 12-0 run that forced the Belles to play catch-up for the rest of the game.

"We had to try and fight back the whole game," Norman said. "And they had the home court advantage."

The Wellesley defense overwhelmed Saint Mary's early on, and the Belles never came back. The veteran Wellesley team took its toll on the

young Saint Mary's team.

"They had great senior leadership," Norman said. "They talked it up on defense and we were intimidated because that's how we usually play."

Matha led the team in scoring with 11 points. Anne Blaire and Russell each scored 10 points for the team.

Following Saturday's loss, the Belles scouted the next day's competition. Although Johnson and Wales boasted two All-Americans on its team, that didn't stunt the Belles' confidence.

"Watching [Johnson and Wales] on Saturday gave us the confidence that we could win," Norman said.

And win they did.

The Belles came out strong and never let up intensity the entire game. Saint Mary's led the entire game, leading by as many as 34 points.

"From the tip off to the final buzzer we never lost our intensity," Norman said. "To anyone watching, we were a completely different team. We were confident."

The Belles boasted four players in double figures on Sunday. Blair racked up 14 points for the team, joined by Norman, Matha and freshman Leighann Matesich who all scored in double digits.

With one win under its belt, Saint Mary's is looking forward to games over the Thanksgiving holidays.

"Sunday's over and we have to move forward," Norman said.

The Belles will face off against Franklin College on Wednesday, enjoy the holiday, and then travel to Marietta, Ohio for a four-team tournament next weekend.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

Irish dive into second place

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

Powered by the breakout performances of Marie Labosky, the Irish women's swimming and diving team churned to a second place finish at the Indiana Invitational this weekend. The freshman, who won three events on the weekend, combined to be the Irish women's top point-scorer.

Labosky's performances were the highlight of the weekend, beginning with her first win on Friday.

Labosky clocked in for first place once the first day of competition, capturing the 200-yard individual medley in two minutes, 5.21 seconds. She followed suit in Saturday's competition, securing a win in the 400-yard individual medley by more than five seconds and breaking a 10-year old Notre Dame school record. Labosky tallied another win in the 1,650-yard freestyle, and also checked in for third in the 500 freestyle and seventh in the 200-yard backstroke.

"She was in a situation that was pretty competitive for her," said women's head coach Bailey Weathers. "She's a pretty aerobic athlete, and where most of the other girls were broken down, she was still capable of swimming some great

paces."

Even after an intense period of training, Labosky's performances were still surprising, Weathers said.

"Her 400 IM was a bit of a surprise," he said. "I knew she could break the record this year, but I didn't expect her to do that this weekend."

Indiana University won the event by a 200 point margin over the Irish by the conclusion of Sunday's races. Indiana held onto a firm lead from the first day of competition, when it outdistanced Notre Dame by approximately 100 points. Notre Dame finished second as a team, followed by Miami of Ohio.

"They're a team similar to ours — they're deep and good in diving," Weathers said. "When you get into a situation where you're behind, it's hard to overcome that. We probably were where we thought we would be — as a team, they were in a better place in their season. They kind of pointed to this as their big meet in the same way we'd point to the Notre Dame Invitational as our big meet."

Irish had several individual standouts on the weekend.

Other first place finishes included junior Allison Lloyd with a win in the 100-yard breaststroke. Lloyd narrowly missed posting another first

in the 200-yard breaststroke after posting the fastest qualifying time during prelims. But her evening performance barely succumbed to Miami's Courtney Caples, falling by only three-hundredths of a second.

Junior Kelly Hecking posted a second place in the 100-yard backstroke Friday, clocking in at 2:03.07. She completed her backstroke dominance in the meet with a win in the 200 backstroke Sunday, out-touching Indiana's Susan Woessner in 2:03.07.

Junior diver Heather Mattingly put up impressive performances from the boards, winning second place on the on the three-meter board and third on the one-meter board. Mattingly barely slipped past Miami's Katie Beth Bryant on the three meter board, posting a score of 490.00.

Labosky's classmates Laurie Musgrave and Lisa Garcia also posted solid finishes on the weekend, with Musgrave earning third place in the 100 breaststroke and fifth in the 200 breaststroke. Garcia won second in the 100 butterfly and sixth in the 200, and also placed fifth in the 200 individual medley. Freshmen Sarah Bowman and Danielle Hulick assisted Hecking and Lloyd to a second place 200-yard medley relay finish Sunday.

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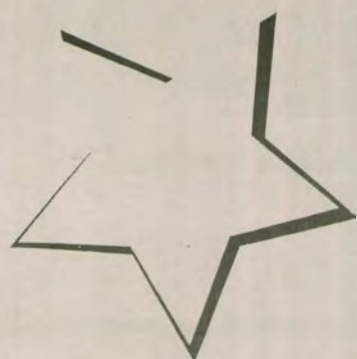
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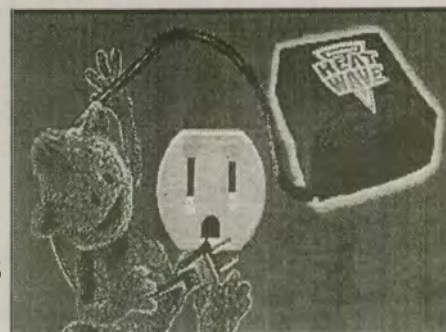


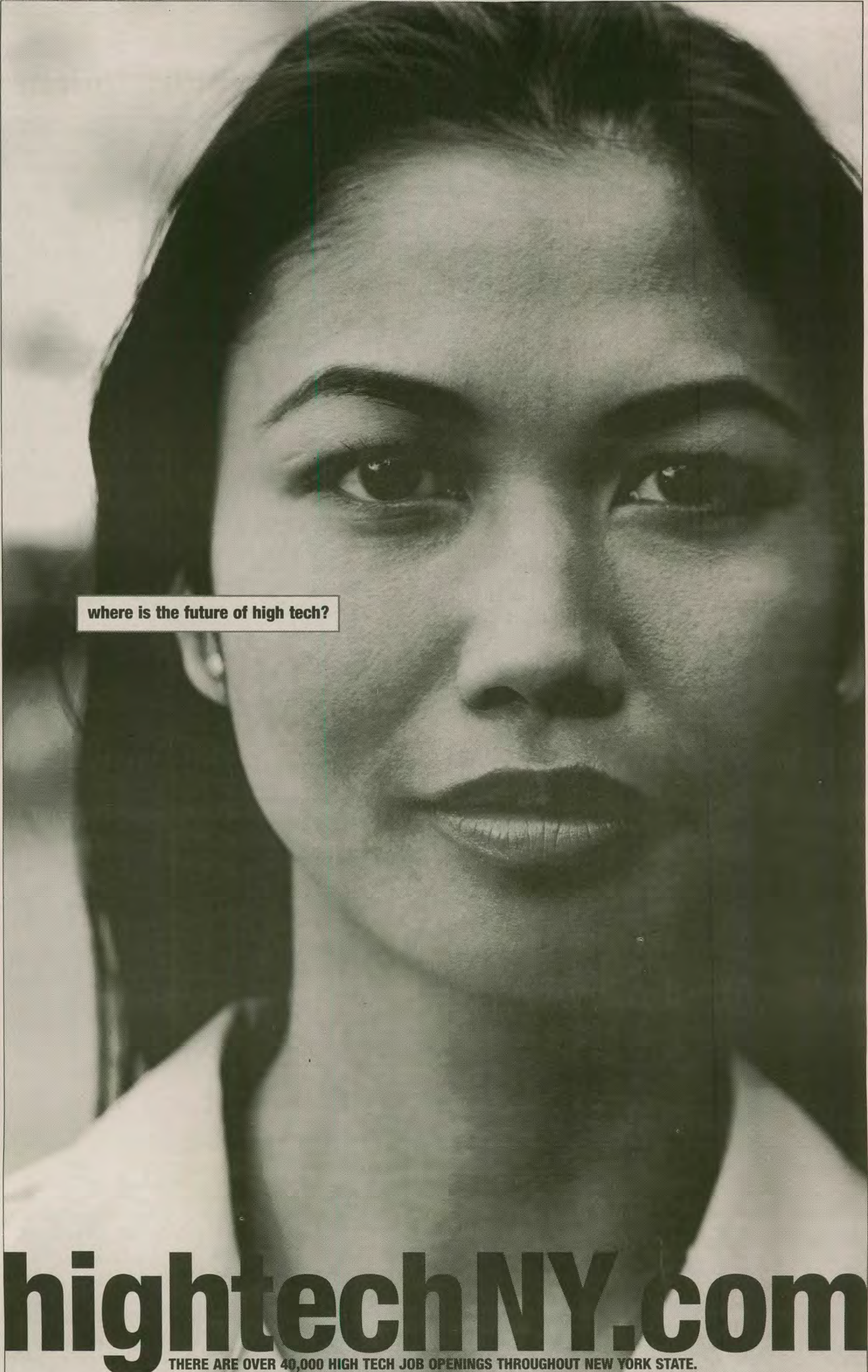
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish face quality competition in holiday tourney

By TIM CASEY
Assistant Sports Editor

While most of their classmates rest, the No. 5 women's basketball team faces its first test this weekend in the Coaches vs. Cancer tournament in Madison, Wisc. Notre Dame opens against No. 19 Wisconsin in the second half of a doubleheader on Wednesday night. The other contest pits No. 6 Georgia against No. 12 Oklahoma.

"This is like an NCAA tournament subregional," coach Muffet McGraw said. "We've got some great teams."

In the first four games — including a pair of exhibitions — the Irish have outscored their opponents by an average of nearly 34 points per game. But the Badgers, the 2000 Women's National Invitational Tournament champions, will pose problems for the Irish.

Wisconsin enters the game with a 1-1 record after losing to Oregon 71-57 and defeating Elon College 102-49 in last weekend's Glaxo

"This is like an NCAA tournament subregional. We've got some great teams."

Muffet McGraw
Irish head coach

Wellcome Invitational in Raleigh, N.C. Four players have averaged double figures with 6-foot-3 forward Jessie Tomski's 15 points per game leading the team.

"They've got a tremendous front court," McGraw said. "To play them at home will be a very big challenge for us."

Sophomore Nina Smith, a 6-foot-4 center, enters the game averaging nine points and 6.5 rebounds. Last season, Smith started the first nine games before a broken right foot sidelined her for the next 17 contests. In high school, USA Today and Parade Magazine named Smith the nation's top player.

Smith will guard All-American center Ruth Riley, who has averaged 15 points and seven rebounds in two regular season games. More importantly, Riley has committed only one foul against Valparaiso and Arizona.

"It's a terrific matchup," McGraw said. "Nina's a strong player. Ruth's not so much a physical player although she's been a little

more aggressive this year."

Although Riley receives most of the publicity, two other Irish players have turned in strong beginnings of the season. Senior point guard Niele Ivey, the team's emotional leader, according to McGraw, scored 12 points and had 10 assists against Valparaiso. On Monday night, the St. Louis native tallied 14 points and dished off 11 assists.

But in the first two games, sophomore Alicia Ratay has been the biggest scoring contributor. She has shot over 68 percent from the field, including 11 for 15 on 3-pointers, and averaged 23 points per contest.

"Niele's just a great, great floor leader for our team," McGraw said. "She's played extremely well. And when you've got Alicia Ratay on the 3-point line and Ruth Riley on the block, you've got some great options."

If the Irish defeat the Badgers, they may face a

talented Georgia squad. The Miller twins — Coco and Kelly — are among the nation's best players. The senior

guards from Minnesota shared the 2000 Sullivan Award as the nation's top amateur athlete last season.

The Bulldogs lost to No. 1 Connecticut 99-70 on Nov. 12 but rebounded with a 71-63 win over Massachusetts. Before the Connecticut game, Georgia was ranked third in the nation.

"I know what that feels like going up to Hartford and playing in front of a big crowd," said McGraw, who has never beaten UConn in 11 tries. "(Connecticut's) a great team. I'm surprised Georgia dropped because I think they're still a very good team and probably should be ranked higher than they are."

The tournament final will be televised by ESPN on Friday following the 1:30 p.m. consolation game.



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Notre Dame's Kelly Siemon (50) guards a Valparaiso player in a recent game. The Irish play in the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic this week with their first game against the No. 19 Wisconsin Badgers.

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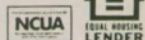
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SOFTBALL

Irish sign three versatile players to Class of 2005

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame softball team has announced three new additions to its program. Megan Ciolli, Annie Dell'Aria and Carrie Wisen have signed letters of intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2001.

"We are expecting all three of them to come in and have an immediate impact on the team," said Irish head coach Liz Miller. "We believe all three have the talent to contribute from their first day on campus."

Indiana native Ciolli is a three-sport standout (softball, basketball and soccer) at North Vigo High School in Terre Haute, Ind. A three-time Most Valuable Player on the softball team, Ciolli has been named all-conference and all-county all three years at North Vigo. She also earned all-state honors in 2000 and was the state home run champion in 1999.

"She has primarily played third base in her career, but she is enough of an athlete that she can make the switch to the outfield," Miller said. "That is what makes her such an asset. She has a lot

of ability to move around and play a lot of positions."

Ciolli smacked 37 consecutive hits in 2000 and posted a .596 batting average. She also boasts a .543 career batting average and 55 stolen bases.

"It was the school I wanted to attend from the beginning," Ciolli said. "The atmosphere is great and the opportunities that Notre Dame provides are unparalleled."

Dell'Aria hails from Fairfax, Va., and is a two-sport athlete (softball and volleyball) at Bishop O'Connell High School. Dell'Aria helped the team to an undefeated record in 1998 and helped the team extend its string of consecutive conference championships to seven in 2000. The team also was nationally ranked in '98 and '99.

"The first word that comes to mind with Annie is 'power hitter'," Miller said. "Her primary position is catcher, so she might switch to a different position next year because Jarrah Myers [Notre Dame's current starting catcher] will be a senior."

Dell'Aria was named the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference Player of the Year in 2000 and was a first-team all-state selection as well. She posted a .522 batting average last season with 29 RBI and a team-best 36 hits.

"It is a dream come true to sign with Notre Dame," Dell'Aria said.

A four-year letter winner at Sonora High School in La Habra, Calif., Wisen as an all-freeway league pick in 1999 and 2000 and led Sonora to the league championship both years as well.

"Carrie is very strong," Miller said. "Her best pitch is the change up and the drop curve. Because of her strength, she has the ability to come in, throw hard, and learn a lot of pitches."

Wisen went 6-1 in 2000 and posted a 0.59 ERA for the season.

"The feeling of actually finishing the signing process is great," Wisen said.

WOMEN'S SOCCER



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Junior midfielder Mia Sarkesian (4) tries to take the ball downfield in a recent Irish game. Notre Dame faces Santa Clara in the NCAA quarterfinal round Friday.

Santa Clara seeks to stand in way of San Jose

Special to The Observer

The top-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team (22-0-1) will face a familiar foe in next week's NCAA quarterfinal round, as Santa Clara advanced on Saturday afternoon with a 2-1 overtime win at BYU.

Notre Dame will be making its seventh straight appearance in the NCAA quarterfinals, while Santa Clara will be making its ninth trip to the quarterfinals and sixth in the last seven years.

Santa Clara has faced Notre Dame five times during the last six seasons (Notre Dame holds a 3-2-0 series edge), including three meetings in the last 13 months. The Irish dropped a 4-2 game at Santa Clara's Buck Shaw Stadium on Oct. 17, 1999, before avenging that defeat with a 1-0

win over the top-ranked Broncos in the 1999 NCAA semifinals.

Notre Dame posted a 6-1 win over a depleted Santa Clara squad earlier this season, on the first day of Notre Dame's Key Bank Classic.

Santa Clara (16-6-1) — which gained one of 24 at-large berths in the NCAA — is riding a five-game winning streak, including a 2-0 second-round win at California to eliminate the eighth-seeded Golden Bears.

NCAA Notes

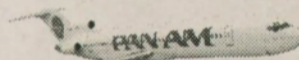
♦ Notre Dame, North Carolina and Connecticut are the only teams to advance to the NCAA quarterfinals every season since 1994.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

High-scoring Irish stress improved defense before break



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Notre Dame sophomore Jere Macura shoots a free throw during Notre Dame's victory against the California Midwest All-Stars.

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

The Notre Dame men's basketball team knows it can score following its 104-point output against Sacred Heart. In this week's games with Loyola (Chicago) Wednesday and No. 17 Cincinnati Saturday, it wants to prove it can play its new man-to-man defense as well.

"Offensively, we know we're going to score points," junior small forward David Graves said. "Defensively, we need to get better. There are a lot of things that people can work at. Some people are picking it up [man-to-man] quicker than others, but I definitely believe that there's improvement."

The Irish (1-0) feature an explosive offense led by All-American power forward Troy Murphy and All-Big XII transfer Ryan Humphrey, both are prone to eye-catching dunks. Both players can also hit 3-pointers, but better known for their perimeter shooting are clutch shooters Graves and Matt Carroll, along with point guard Martin Ingelsby.

In No. 16 Notre Dame's attempt to move into the ranks of the nation's elite programs, a game against a program like Cincinnati that's already established itself is key. Even more key for now, however, is not looking past Wednesday's opponent, Loyola (0-1).

"We have to concentrate on each game at hand," Murphy said. "We can't look ahead to

anybody. I think that was our problem last year."

Loyola, a 10-10 team a year ago, lost its two leading scorers to graduation. The Ramblers' top returning lettermen are guard David Bailey, forward Schin Kerr and 6-foot-10 center Silviye Turkovic, joined by freshman forward Ryan Blankson.

The Loyola Ramblers, coached by third-year head coach Larry Farmer, dropped their season opener to Stephen F. Austin 64-60 Sunday. In the preseason, the Ramblers faced one of the same foes as the Irish in the International Select All-Stars. The Ramblers didn't get the same result, losing 81-74, while Notre Dame won that matchup 89-71.

"Loyola's going to be a good test for us before we get to Cincinnati," Graves said.

After playing in front of a nearly full house Saturday, the Irish are hoping for the same against the Ramblers.

After Wednesday, Notre Dame will turn its attention to Cincinnati (1-0), which it will face Saturday in the John Wooden Classic in Indianapolis.

For the Irish, shut out of the NCAA tournament the past 10 years, the early-season game against the Bearcats is a pin to be knocked over on the road to March Madness. They also face tough non-conference opponents Indiana, Vanderbilt, Miami (Ohio) and Kentucky by mid-January.

"Those are some tough games," Graves said. "We need to establish ourselves early. We

need to show not only our fans, but the country, that we deserve to be ranked where we are."

The Bearcats were one of the nation's top teams a year ago, with a flawless 16-0 record in Conference USA and a 29-4 overall record. They lost in the second round of the NCAA tournament, but would likely have advanced further if top player Kenyon Martin, the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft by the New Jersey Nets, had not suffered a season-ending injury just before the tournament began.

Cincinnati returns head coach Bob Huggins, sophomore guard Kenny Satterfield and 6-11 sophomore center Donald Little. Satterfield scored a career-high 27 points in his school's season-opening 73-61 victory over Boise State. Both he and Little pulled down nine rebounds in the game.

This season's squad, while still expected to be strong, is missing several cogs in its team from a year ago. In addition to Martin, the Atlanta Hawks selected DerMarr Johnson as the No. 6 pick in the draft and Pete Mickeal went to the Dallas Mavericks as the No. 56 pick.

"They lost their two best players, Kenyon Martin and DerMarr Johnson, so we're not going to be intimidated by them," Murphy said. "Cincinnati's always good, but they're not going to be as good as last year."

Following the conclusion of the 1 p.m. Notre Dame-Cincinnati game will be the second featured game of the day, between Purdue and Arizona.

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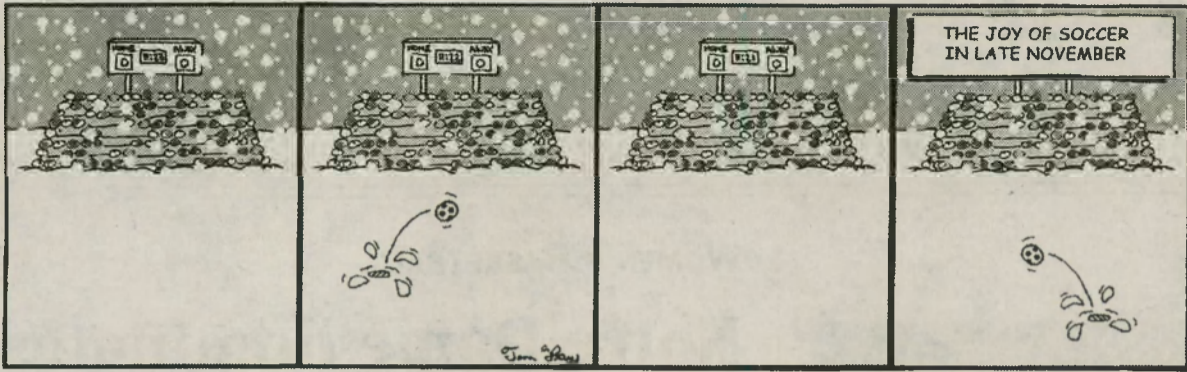
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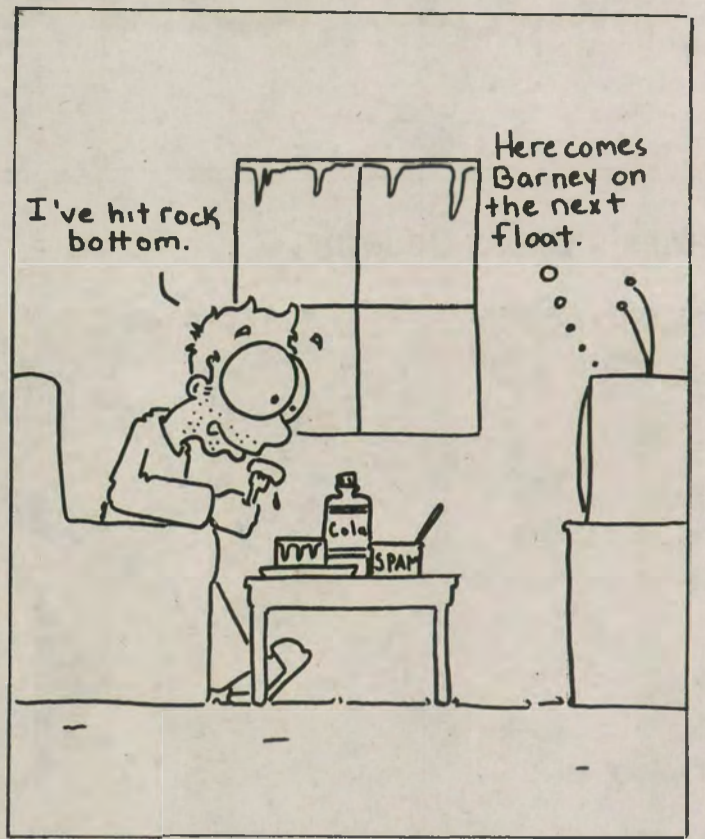
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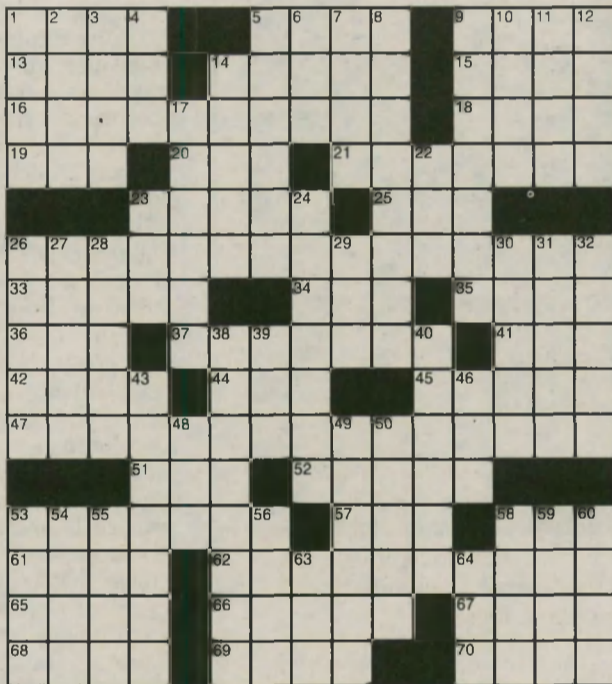
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EUGENIA LAST

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2000

- ACROSS**
- 1 Five-time Wimbledon champion
 - 5 Box a bit
 - 9 Prepare to swallow
 - 13 "I'll go along with that"
 - 14 Part of an act
 - 15 Marathon
 - 16 Play starring 62-Across, 1952
 - 18 Wrinkle remover
 - 19 Humbug precursor
 - 20 "___ we having fun yet?"
 - 21 Malady
 - 23 Mosque priests
 - 25 Get the picture
 - 26 Film starring 62-Across, 1932
 - 33 More mature
 - 34 "When Will ___ Loved"
 - 35 He should have swatted those two flies
 - 36 Stephen of "The Crying Game"
 - 37 Oscar-winner for 62-Across, 1970
 - 41 New Deal org.
 - 42 Column next to the ones
 - 44 New: Prefix
 - 45 "The Thinker" sculptor
 - 47 Play starring 62-Across, 1958
 - 51 Wahine's offering
 - 52 Leader's place
 - 53 Unlucky
 - 57 The Trojans
 - 58 Diagnostic scanner, briefly

- DOWN**
- 1 Big flop
 - 2 Gumbo
 - 3 Impetuous
 - 4 Sock hop locale
 - 5 Plot
 - 6 Eastern Canadian prov.
 - 7 Maffo or Magnani
 - 8 Sign on
 - 9 ___ War of 1853-56
 - 10 Loser to a tortoise
 - 11 Nobel Prize subj.
 - 12 Didn't stay
 - 14 Pallet stuffer
 - 17 "Cheese" is produced near this
 - 22 Pridful one, astrologically
 - 23 High dudgeon
 - 24 Remove, as shoes
 - 26 Main artery
 - 27 Armada
 - 61 Jai ___
 - 62 Tony-, Oscar- and Emmy-winner born 10/10/1900
 - 65 Starting point in tennis
 - 66 Cremona violin-maker
 - 67 Russia's ___ Mountains
 - 68 Graze
 - 69 Puente known as "El Rey"
 - 70 Cabbagelike vegetable



Puzzle by Frances Hansen

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SAFE AND SOUND
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TIC VIM AND VIGOR
ARE HOARD IN ALL
NET FUNDS AGREE

- 28 Hersey's bell town
- 29 Wall St. deal
- 30 Sonata section
- 31 Madame Curie
- 32 Defiant answer to "Shall!"
- 38 Where Yankee Doodle stuck a feather
- 39 Alternative to a Maxwell
- 40 Soldiers' ditch
- 43 Defiled
- 46 Go (for)
- 48 Unexciting grade
- 49 Closely following
- 50 Egypt's Mubarak
- 53 Big share
- 54 ___ vera
- 55 Smooth the way
- 56 Big rig
- 58 Dame Hess
- 59 Genuine
- 60 Part of an archipelago
- 63 Opposite of long.
- 64 Bering Sea bird

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2000

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Mario Thomas, Goldie Hawn, Dr. John, Bjork, Ken Griffey Jr.

Happy Birthday: You will be extremely ambitious this year. Your goal will be to acquire money and material resources. Through your dealings with other people's money and possessions, you will realize that money must be circulated in order for it to do any good. If you are greedy, you will lose. If you are willing to keep the money moving, you will find that it will continue to come back to you. Your numbers: 3, 8, 11, 13, 37, 45.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may have some difficulties with co-workers or bosses. You should stick to your own job and not ask for help. Self-improvement projects will be quite successful if started today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Children may be on your mind. If your children are older, you may want to make plans to visit or do things with them. If you haven't had any yet, you may want to think about it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Leave your domestic problems at home. You won't be able to make changes that will suit everyone. It is best to work on your own interests until times get better.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Talk to a close friend about a personal matter. You have been confused lately and need to get an objective point of view. Try to be completely honest when describing the situation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Money-making opportunities are apparent. Be creative when dealing with your personal financial budget. You can stretch your money further than you thought possible.

Birthday Baby: You will use your willpower to make the changes in your home that you feel are necessary. You will influence family members at a very early age and will always have a say in the decisions being made. (Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You have to spend more time with your partner if you don't want to end up alone. Although you have managed to get your way in the past, the situation no longer looks cut-and-dried.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You have been doing too much, and it's time to sit back for a moment. You will probably find it impossible to do nothing, but can relax by doing things you enjoy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Relationships will surface through connections made at work. Those you meet will think you stable, loyal and honest. It looks like the beginning of new and lasting friendships.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Join new clubs or do things that will bring you in contact with new friends. Relationships can be developed, and partnerships can be formed. Be receptive toward others.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will meet compatible mates. Don't take the chance of ruining your present relationship for the wrong reason. Get involved in activities that will bring you added knowledge.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can make extra cash if you invest in new domestic products. Your partner won't want you involved in risky ventures. Don't jeopardize family finances; put your own cash on the line.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You're in the mood for love. You and your partner are ready to start talking about getting serious and making future plans. Starting a family may be on your mind.

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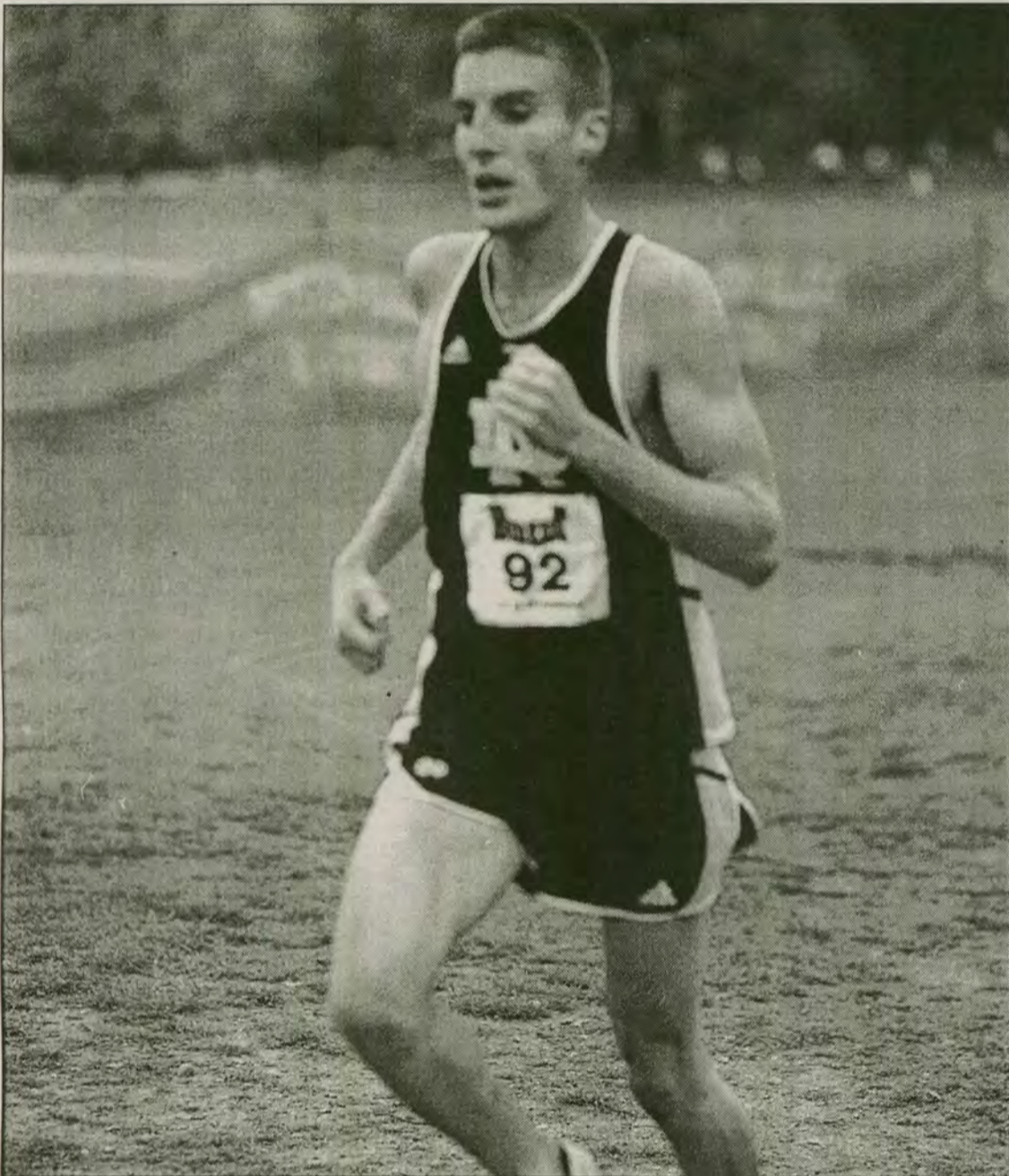
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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY



Junior Luke Watson, shown above in the Big East Championships, placed seventh for the Irish in the NCAA Championships Monday, pacing them to a ninth place finish.

ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Irish do it again, take ninth at NAAs

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

They weren't even supposed to make it to the NCAA Championships.

The Notre Dame men's cross country team lost four runners to graduation and All-American Ryan Shay to a redshirt season, leaving a sparse roster for head coach Joe Piane. Yet the Irish not only qualified for the national meet, they chalked up a top-10 finish, their 10th since 1987.

The Irish finished ninth in the nation in Monday's NCAA Championships in Ames, Iowa, led by a seventh-place finish by junior Luke Watson, their top runner all season. Watson crossed the finish line in 30 minutes, 29.4 seconds.

Watson's improved dramatically since last season, when he placed 58th. This year, he never missed the top 10 in a meet. He even surpassed the 1999 performances of Shay, who qualified for the U.S. Olympic Trials this summer, in some meets.

Junior Pat Conway, normally the third runner for the Irish, captured the No. 2 spot for Notre

Dame Monday with a 36th place finish and 31:04 time.

Marc Striowski, a top-10 finisher at the Great Lakes Regional meet, crossed the finish line six seconds after Conway to take 42nd.

Freshman Todd Mobley placed 99th for the Irish in a solid rookie performance.

Senior Sean Zanderson closed out his Irish career by covering the 10,000-meter course in 32:18 and assuring the Irish of a top-10 finish.

The sixth and seventh Irish runners were David Alber and John Keane.

Arkansas won the meet, and Providence's Keith Kelly captured the individual title.

The Big East Conference was the dominant league in the meet, as it placed four teams in the top 10. Providence placed third, Villanova took sixth, Georgetown was seventh and Notre Dame earned ninth. Kelly, the meet champion, also won the Big East title earlier this year.

Even better than Notre Dame's finish this season is its prospectus for next year.

Only Zanderson will graduate, while the remaining six varsity runners return. The Irish will also welcome the return of Shay, who will have a fifth year of eligibility.

Seeking redemption

Bob Davie's Irish want a victory in the Coliseum after not winning there since 1992. A victory over USC could clinch a BCS bowl.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Notre Dame dominates Arizona inside, outside

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Assistant Sports Editor

This time, they made both halves count.

Following a sluggish second-half performance in its season-opening win at Valparaiso Friday night, the Notre Dame women's basketball team dominated the University of Arizona for all 40 minutes Monday, showing a versatile inside-outside game while picking up a 95-65 victory.

"I knew going in that Notre Dame probably had one of the best inside-outside games in the country," said Arizona head coach Joan Bonvicini. "I thought that was evident from the opening tip."

The Irish used the combined athleticism of All-American center Ruth Riley — who scored 17 points in the game to go along with a team-leading seven rebounds — and sharp-shooting guard Alicia Ratay, who led all scorers with 26 points. Niele Ivey completed her second double-double in as many games with 14 points and 11 assists.

Notre Dame established its dominance early over Arizona — a team that reached the second round of last season's NCAA tournament before falling to eventual champion Tennessee. After taking the tip-off, Ivey missed her first shot of the game before forward Ericka Haney stole the ball as Arizona carried the ball upcourt.

Haney found Ratay open on the wing. The sophomore guard swished the opening shot to give the Irish the game's first points.

Following an Arizona miss, Ratay hit virtually the same shot to put the Irish up by six. Ratay's hot shooting continued throughout the first half, as she made all four of her field goal attempts — including three from downtown — to go along with a perfect four of four from the free-throw line to finish the half with 15 points.

"We came out the first five minutes and really shut them down," said Irish head coach Muffet McGraw, "which was

what we wanted to do. We shot the ball extremely well the whole game, but especially in the first half."

Also helping the Irish in their dominant first half — a half in which they at one point led by 30 before entering the locker room up 57-29 — was power forward Kelley Siemon. Siemon scored 10 points and added five rebounds in the early half, while also exhibiting passing skills that set the Irish offense in motion.

"That first half was the best she has ever played," McGraw said of Siemon. "She was very involved in the offense. She rebounded, she ran the floor well, she passed the ball."

Leading the Irish attack once again was fifth-year point guard Ivey. While she showed her accurate shooting touch, the 5-foot-7 Ivey also displayed a surprising inside game, scoring at will below the basket. Ivey feels her versatility adds to her leadership role on the team.

"As a leader I'm trying to get better every game," said Ivey. "We have so much talent that if I can get better as a leader I can carry the team as far."

After building the lead to 43 points following another Ratay 3-pointer with 14:07 left in the second half, McGraw gave her starters a rest and handed the game over to reserve players.

Despite playing against Arizona's starting lineup, the reserves held their own. Imani Dunbar finished with six points and three assists, while Monique Hernandez added five points and three assists. Amanda Barksdale scored four points while blocking four shots in 20 minutes.

"The best part of the game was that we got to rest the starters almost the entire second half,"

"We came out the first five minutes and really shut them down."

Muffet McGraw
Irish head coach

said McGraw. "I think any time that you can play a quality team like Arizona and rest your starters, I think you're having

great success."

Despite the dominating loss, Bonvicini feels that her team will learn from the experience of playing No. 5 Notre Dame. "No one likes to take a whooping like this, but I think we're going to be better because of it," she said.

The Irish next take the court Wednesday evening in Madison, Wisc. at the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic to take on Wisconsin in the first round of the tournament.

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