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Committee calls for gay student group

Ad Hoc report faces scrutiny by Student Affairs

By DAVE TYLER
News Editor

The University of Notre Dame should have an officially recognized gay and lesbian student

group.

That's among the recommendations included in the "Final Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs" submitted to Vice President for Student Affairs Patricia O'Hara and made public in a two page advertisement in The Observer yesterday.

The committee published eight recommendations in its

final report, the culmination of nearly a year of work. The committee was created last March by O'Hara to study gay

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and lesbian student needs at the University in the wake of the uproar surrounding the administration's dealings with Gays and Lesbians at Notre

Dame and Saint Mary's College (GLND/SMC).

After rejecting the Campus Life Council's (CLC) resolution calling for official recognition for GLND/SMC, O'Hara charged the committee with finding ways, apart from the recognition of GLND/SMC, in which the University could allow Gays and lesbians to come together as a group to explore common issues and find mutual support,

sponsor programs to better equip hall staff to deal with gay and lesbian student needs, and adopt measures to promote a harassment free environment.

In issuing the report the committee said it believed its assignment was helpful.

"While there is still a great deal of work to be done, the dialogue about these issues has

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All in a Day's Work

Students, homeless live together in Worker House

By BILL CONNOLLY
News Writer

Lying only a half a mile away from Notre Dame is a home which embodies the Catholic beliefs of charity, compassion, responsibility, and understanding. This home is the Catholic Worker House, a place where homeless families are given the opportunity to improve their lives.

However, many at Notre Dame have not heard of the house despite its association with Catholic beliefs. Those who do might associate it with radical social goals often offered by political Catholic Worker Houses originally established by Dorothy Day.

Yet, this house does not have any political aims. The house simply attempts to develop families in hard times through compassion and other Church teachings.

Claire McGrath, the director of the house, knows that supporting families is anything but simple. McGrath helps clean, cook, and most importantly, counsel families at the house.

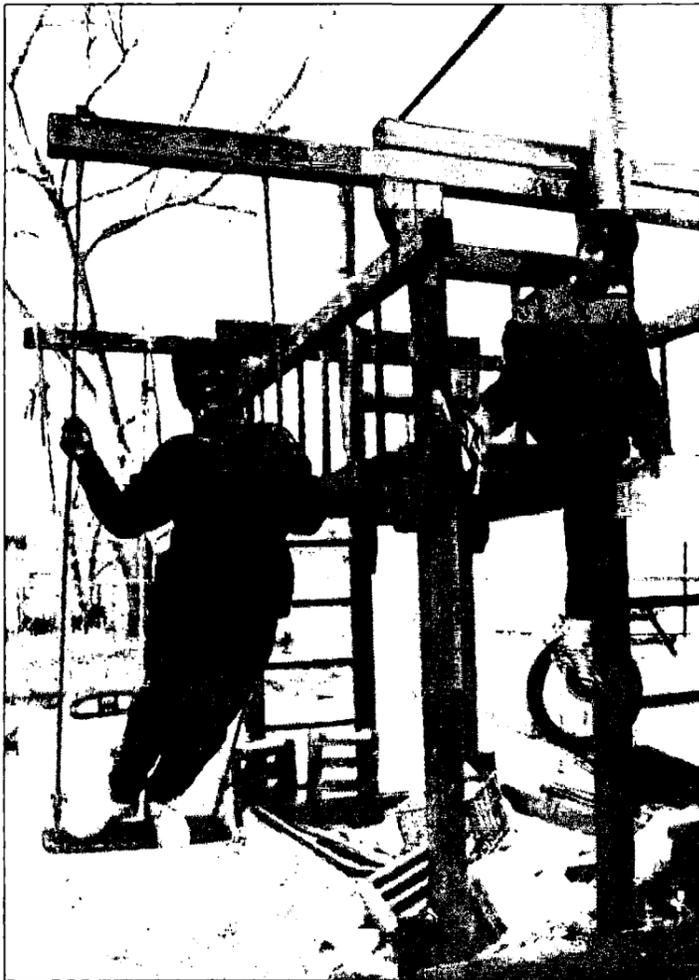
Further, people who would like to live in the house are directed to McGrath through the Center for the Homeless and other organizations, but she has the final say as to who lives in the house.

Once in the house, families are taught responsibility through "tough love." For the most part, they must cook and clean for themselves in order to learn responsibility. All the food and clothes in the

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The Observer/ Mike Ruma
Audrey and Calvin, below, are just two of the children of families living in the Catholic Worker House. The house was established to offer support for families in times of need through compassion and other Church teachings.



Awareness serves as protection

Students use common sense to avoid danger

Editor's Note: This is the second in a two-part series of articles examining the recent end of the IRA cease-fire and how the return of hostilities affects Notre Dame students living in London.

By MARY KATE MORTON
Associate News Editor

They try not to think about it, but it is always in the back of their minds. The situation is hard to ignore when every newspaper and television sta-

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tion carries accounts of the latest bombing or altercation.

The Notre Dame London Program students set off for their European adventure in January, thinking they would have the times of their lives.

What they never realized was that their lives could be endangered by the end of an 18 month-long cease-fire regarding the conflict in Northern Ireland.

On Feb. 9, the fragile peace encompassing Northern Ireland

and the United Kingdom was shattered by an explosion in the heart of the London business district.

With the chaos and fear, the blast brought uncertainty for all those affected by the peace process that had been underway between the sides of the Northern Ireland conflict.

Included in this group of people who must deal with the ramifications of the end of the Irish Republican Army cease-fire are the Notre Dame students studying in London for the semester.

Junior Amy Schmidt tries not to worry about it constantly. "It's so scary that we try not to think of it all the time," she

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Hammill: Writing shows decline of open sexuality

By DEREK BETCHER
News Writer

"If all the world is a stage, then all the world is a book, so all the world is a closet," was one of the intriguing ideas that developed out of forum interaction between speaker Graham Hammill and his audience Thursday afternoon in the Hesburgh Library lounge.

Titled "Sex and the Graphic Revolution: As You Like It?" Hammill's lecture examining the roots and effects of psycho-analytic theory was part of the Department of Gender Studies' ongoing weekly forum discussion.

"What psychoanalysis calls sex is a logical extension of what the Renaissance calls sodomy," Hammill, a professor in Notre Dame's English Department, forwarded.

The humanistic ethics of reading that developed during the Renaissance helped create Shakespeare's Elizabethan/Jacobean writing environment according to Hammill. In turn, Freud's sexual psychoanalysis can find subtle beginnings in Shakespeare, Hammill continued.

Hammill analyzed Shakespeare's comedy "As You Like It" to illustrate his points. In addition to including cross dressing, role playing, and soap opera-like love connections, Hammill noted that the female characters of "As You Like It" also ask for kisses from the bearded audience members in the play's prologue.

"It's very interesting because all the actors are men. The general indecisiveness of sexuality increases the excitement," Hammill said.

Such indecisiveness led to cultural secrecy in the transmission of sexual knowledge, and this is where society finds itself today, according to Hammill.

Hammill also cited graphical manuscript writing to show the decline of open sexuality. He explained that pre-Renaissance scribes' elaborate sensual writing contrasts strongly with today's colorless dotted-line notation.

"The graphic mark is now structured," Hammill concluded.



Notre Dame students live in these flats in London where there are concerns over safety after the recent London bombings by the IRA.

INSIDE COLUMN

There's no place like home

It's coming. It's presence hangs above our heads. The key to salvation and sanity dangling before our tired eyes. Spring break.

Lori Allen
Saint Mary's
News Editor

In one week (that's seven days from now folks) spring break will be upon us. Just one more week of relentless and perpetual studying. One more week to cope with the almost non-existent social life before we can all fly away from South Bend for just a little while.

Spring break. To some these two words can breathe life into a body whose soul has been nearly expunged by the South Bend winter. These stressed individuals dream of basking in an exotic locale, luminous with sunlight. They envision themselves heavily laden with oil stretched out across the white sands of Mexico. If this fantasy even remotely resembles your plans, live it up.

While some may be traveling to Cancun, and others to Daytona Beach, I will be road tripping it to Kansas. That's right. Kansas (it's not a misprint). Atchison, in fact.

Why Kansas, you ask? Having grown up on the east coast, Indiana was a big enough shock. When the offer came to travel to Kansas, I felt it was an offer I couldn't refuse. Who really could? We're talking Dorothy and Oz here, not to mention the drive through Iowa.

So now I brace myself for what I am sure will be the epitome of my college experience so far. Questions enter my mind daily. Will I see the yellow brick road? Is the Grand Wizard really that old guy?

I'm bracing for a real adventure here. Atchison just so happens to be the biggest city in its county, and proudly boasts the birth place of Amelia Earhart. It also serves as home to Cue's Place, a rather infamous bar, which I hear is in the midst of celebrating its 20th anniversary (you can also get tee-shirts there as a memento).

So while the rest of you are out soaking up rays, I'll be living it up in Kansas. I'm going to tie a pink ribbon in my hair (for fear of being considered the wicked witch of the east) and leave my New Jersey attitude behind as I hit the farms with the best of them. Atchison, here I come.

Perhaps the best part about my excursion is the road trip. Ten and a half hours in the car with two good friends and one really funny guy from Zahn.

Everyone deserves a really good road trip in their lifetime. No matter where the road leads, if you've got good company, you can sit back and enjoy the ride.

So whether you're going to Cancun or Kansas, make sure to stop and look around. Just because a place is not a major city, or doesn't house tourist attractions, doesn't mean there is nothing to see. Even if you're going home, allow yourself some time to breathe in the life around you. Even if it does smell like a cow.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Flu deaths make statistical blip in U.S. life expectancy

ATLANTA
U.S. life expectancy fell slightly in 1993, the first dip in 13 years, but that doesn't mean shorter life spans — just that the projections were skewed by a large number of flu deaths.

Life expectancy for people born in 1993 was pegged at 75.5 years, down from the 75.8 years someone born in 1992 might expect, the federal Centers for Disease Control said Thursday.

The CDC blamed the decline on two nationwide epidemics in which 82,820 people died from flu or pneumonia. The outbreaks increased the overall death rate for the first time since 1988.

"It really appears to be just a blip, not the start of a trend; 1993 was just a very bad year," said Paula Gardner, a survey statistician with the National Center for Health Statistics in Hyattsville, Md.

Although the life expectancy figure is given for people born that year, most of those who died were older and weak from other chronic health problems. That shows the need for people in high-risk groups, especially the elderly, to get flu shots, Ms. Gardner said.

Mortality rates

Life expectancy in the U.S. fell for the first time in 13 years due to two 1993 epidemics, but researchers say it will rebound.

Top 10 causes of death in 1993	Rate per 100,000	% change	
		Since 1992	Since 1979
1 Heart disease	145.3	0.7	-27.2
2 Cancer	132.6	-0.4	1.4
3 Stroke	26.5	1.1	-36.3
4 Pulmonary disease	21.4	7.5	46.6
5 Accidents*	30.3	3.1	-29.4
6 Pneumonia	13.5	6.3	20.5
7 Diabetes	12.4	4.2	26.5
8 AIDS and HIV-related illnesses	13.8	9.5	N.A.
9 Suicide	11.3	1.8	-3.4
10 Murder	10.7	1.9	4.9

*Includes accidents and the after-effects.

No figure has been calculated yet for 1994, but provisional figures indicate a rebound in life expectancy, the CDC said. One good sign: infant mortality fell to the lowest level ever in 1993.

The CDC said the overall death rate, adjusted for age, increased to 513.3 per 100,000 population in 1993, from 504.5 deaths per 100,000 in 1992.

That reflects 2.3 million deaths in 1993, the highest annual figure on record and an increase of 92,940 or 1.7 percent from 1992.

The leading causes of death remain unchanged. In order, they are: heart disease, cancer, stroke, pulmonary disease, accidents, pneumonia and flu, diabetes, AIDS and HIV-related illnesses, suicide and homicide. Heart disease and cancer accounted for almost 60 percent of all 1993 deaths.

The nation's overall infant mortality rate for 1993 was 8.4 deaths per 1,000 live births. Provisional data show the rate falling to 7.9 in 1994, largely because of fewer deaths from respiratory distress syndrome, Ms. Gardner said.

Aide to Mrs. Clinton sets up fund

WASHINGTON

Hillary Clinton's top aide has established a fund to help pay legal bills from Whitewater-related investigations. Margaret Williams, the first lady's chief of staff, set up a blind trust so that she does not know the contributors. White House counsel Jack Quinn said his office reviews each donation to ensure that it does not come from somebody doing business with the federal government. The developments underscore the burden imposed on President Clinton's staff during investigations of the Whitewater and travel office affairs. Nearly 20 administration officials have hired lawyers. President Clinton's own legal defense fund raised \$971,941 in its first 18 months, ending Dec. 31. He still has \$1.3 million in outstanding debts.



Three reported shot at paper mill

HAWESVILLE, Ky.

A gunman entered a paper mill's construction site Thursday and shot at least three workers, company officials said. It wasn't immediately clear how badly they were hurt or if the gunman was captured. The shooter, believed to be a truck driver who hauled wood chips, entered the site in the afternoon and opened fire, said Cathy Baldwin, a spokeswoman for Willamette Industries. He was not a company employee, said Baldwin, who is based at the Willamette's headquarters in Portland, Ore. The three people hit were employees of a subcontractor that is working on a \$600 million addition to the mill near this small river town. "It was confined to a construction area," Tim Moman, an assistant personnel manager at the plant, said of the shootings. He didn't know the conditions of the wounded. Hancock County Coroner David Gibson said two of the victims were taken to Perry County Hospital in Tell City, Ind., just across the Ohio River.

Stroh announces takeover

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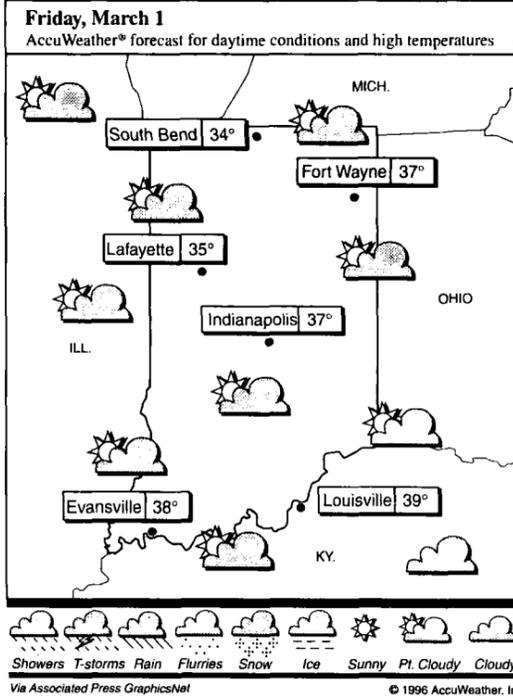
Stroh Brewery Co., the nation's fourth-largest brewer, is buying G. Heileman Brewing Co. Inc., the fifth-largest beer producer. The price of the sale announced today was not disclosed but was believed to be \$275 million to \$300 million, industry sources said. Stroh will assume Heileman's debts and will issue stock and other securities in exchange for Heileman's stock and bonds. Stroh president William Henry said the combination would create "significant strengths." Heileman's brands include Old Style, Lone Star, Rainier, Schmidt's, Champale and Colt 45. Stroh's labels include Stroh's, Old Milwaukee, Schlitz and Schaefer. Stroh has breweries in St. Paul, Minn.; Longview, Texas; Lehigh Valley, Pa.; Winston-Salem, N.C.; and Tampa, Fla. It will take over Heileman's breweries at LaCrosse, Wis.; Baltimore; Portland, Ore.; Seattle; and San Antonio, Texas. Stroh has about 6 percent of the market share, with Heileman the combined company will have a 10 percent share. That will place it fourth behind Anheuser Busch Inc. of St. Louis, Miller Brewing Co. of Milwaukee and Coors Brewing Co. of Golden, Colo.

Keyes begins hunger strike

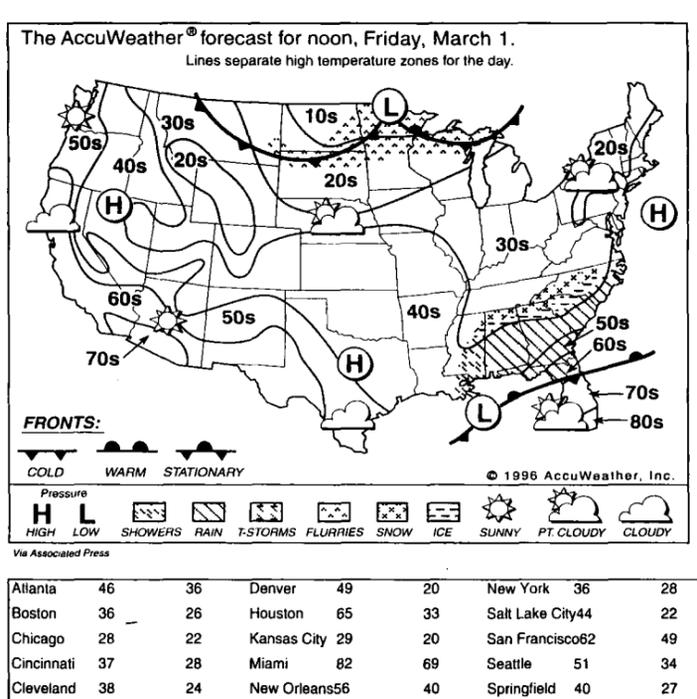
COLUMBIA, S.C.

Republican Alan Keyes said he was starting a hunger strike to protest his exclusion from the presidential debate Thursday. Keyes, who has finished near the bottom in primary contests to date, was not invited to participate. A South Carolina business council sponsored the hourlong debate that featured the four leading GOP candidates — Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, commentator Pat Buchanan, publisher Steve Forbes and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander. Keyes said undecided voters need to hear his pro-family message. "Is our crisis today a money crisis or a moral crisis?" Keyes said. "Unless I am on that stage, that question will not be raised." Keyes said he was encouraging supporters to join his fast, which he said would not end until "I get assurances of fair and equitable treatment ... to make sure the message I represent is heard by the American people." The other Republican presidential candidates, Indiana Sen. Dick Lugar, California Rep. Bob Dornan and businessman Morry Taylor also were not invited to participate in the debate.

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Student leadership vocalizes support for suggested group

By KRISTI KOLSKI
Assistant News Editor

As a year of deliberation comes to a close for the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, a new discussion emerges among students about whether or not the administration will embrace 12 recommendations intended to improve relations between the homosexual community and the administration.

Patricia O'Hara, vice-president of Student Affairs, has said she will respond to the ad hoc committee recommendations by the first week of April. Across campus, student leaders expressed a common desire for the measures to gain acceptance but acknowledged that it would not be a simple process.

"I hope for the sake of the gays and lesbians at our school and the entire committee that the administration embraces these recommendations as positive steps," said Jonathan Patrick, Student Body President and ad hoc committee member.

Although some of the recommendations have already been incorporated, the possibility of acceptance for others remains questionable.

The final recommendation calls for the university to modify the nondiscrimina-

tion clause appearing in university publications in order to include sexual orientation.

This could be the hardest issue to pass. "It's a sticky issue but it's important," Patrick said. "It's a good foundation for all the other recommendations."

Introducing this recommendation would make the University legally responsible to adhere to nondiscriminatory hiring and admission practices.

Although the report offered strong recommendations, committee members had to focus on both student and University concerns.

"The report did cater to the University a little bit but we have to remember that the essence of Notre Dame is to keep consistent with Catholic teachings," said Megan Murray, Student Body Vice-President elect.

At the base of the conflict is whether the University can offer acceptance to homosexuals while still following the teachings of the Church.

Currently, gays and lesbians are not formally recognized by the Church, and so has been the case on campus.

"So far gays and lesbians have been excluded from the campus social dynamic," said Matthew Schlatter, Hall Presidents' Council co-chairperson. "The

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Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs

- That a University group of gay and lesbian students facilitated by one or two members of the faculty or administration be constituted.
- That a standing committee on the needs of gay and lesbian students be created to advise the Vice-President for Student Affairs, to act as a resource for the Vice-President for identifying ongoing gay and lesbian concerns.
- That the University Counseling Center continue to play a vital role in providing ongoing psychological support for those struggling with issues of sexual identity.
- That Campus Ministry provide forums for gay and lesbian students, where issues of faith and sexuality would be discussed. Campus Ministry should also provide retreats for gays and lesbians.
- That the Office of Student Affairs coordinate forums on sexuality, personal development and faith for the campus.
- That duLac, the Faculty Handbook, and the Staff Employee Guidebook include statements indicating the University's intolerance for harassment based on sexual orientation.
- That in orienting new students, faculty, staff and administrators to Notre Dame, the officers involved in that process should make statements which articulate the University's desire to welcome and support gay and lesbian members of the community and which articulate the University's intolerance for harassment based on sexual orientation.
- That the Vice-President for Student Affairs should raise to the University officers the issue of modifying the nondiscrimination clause which appears in University publications to include sexual orientation.

Blandford sees pros and cons Firth: Committee finds consensus a year later

Expresses concern over loopholes and 'soft wording'

By DAVE TYLER
News Editor

John Blandford hopes the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs' final report isn't a case of taking one step forward, two steps back.

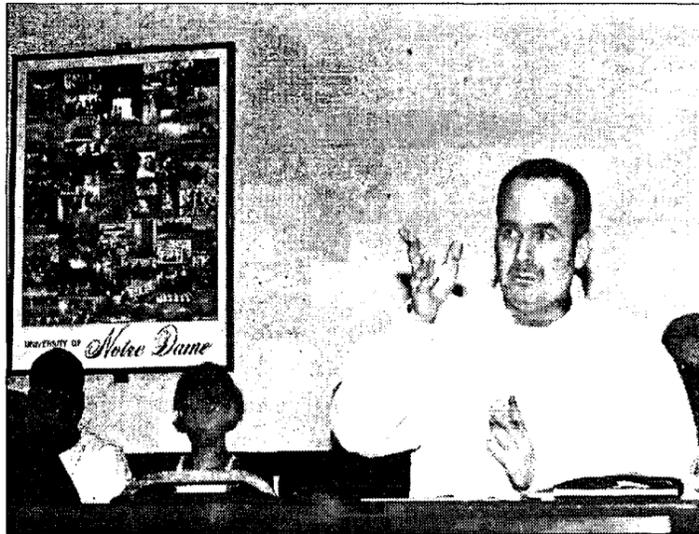
The GLND/SMC co-chair is viewing the document with cautious optimism he said in an interview yesterday.

"This is definitely a step in the forward direction," Blandford said. "Finally there is an awareness of the difficult lives that gays and lesbians live on this campus."

At the same time Blandford is wary of some of the provisions in the report.

"In the spirit of the law, it's a good step, but in the letter there are plenty of loopholes to be found," he said.

Of particular concern are the fifth and twelfth recommendations because of their soft wording, Blandford said. "(The idea of a student group run by the Office of Student Affairs) could be inadequate because



The Observer/Mike Ruma

GLND/SMC Co-Chair John Blandford feels that the committee's proposal is a step in the right direction but more can be done.

there are a lot of unanswered questions." Among these are things like when and where the group would meet, how the meetings would be conducted, and how officers would be elected, he said.

The involvement of the Office of Student Affairs worries Blandford as well. "This group could be dictated by the same people who have been the primary adversaries of gays and lesbians on this campus for

over a decade," said Blandford.

But Blandford said he is viewing a lot the report as positive. "I think the explicit references to GLND/SMC are a vindication of GLND/SMC's work on campus." Blandford also said GLND/SMC would be "glad to work with O'Hara to help establish a student group."

Blandford believes that sup-

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By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Associate News Editor

Although the issue of homosexuality at Notre Dame was a complex concern for the members of the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, its members were pleased with the recommendations that they developed.

"The report reflects a real consensus of the committee members," said Ann Firth, chair of the committee and assistant to the vice-president for Student Affairs, "so I'm pleased in that respect."

In the one year that it existed, the committee developed 12 recommendations over three separate reports, all of which have been forwarded to Patricia O'Hara, vice-president for Student Affairs.

Of the recommendations, the fifth — which was a part of yesterday's edition and calls for the establishment of a University group of gay and lesbian students to assist those students "in exploring common issues within the context of the Catholic Church" — promises to be a major point of contention in the campus commu-

nity.

"We spent a good deal of time on that one," Firth said. "We were very conscious of the mandate [laid down by the O'Hara at the inception of the committee] and we knew we had to work within that mandate in deciding to recommend a support group for the [gay and lesbian] students. So we took special care in developing that recommendation."

The mandate, created by O'Hara when she established the ad hoc committee in March 1995, asked the committee to consider three points, among which was the question of how the University could sponsor a setting respectful of Church teachings in which gay and lesbian students could discuss issues and find support.

In recommending the University-facilitated support group, the committee suggested that the group "would stand in special relationship to the Office of Student Affairs."

That special relationship refers to the fact that homosexuality on campus is and has been a sensitive issue, and one

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A Year of Discussion and Dissension

1/22/95 • GLND/SMC chairs told they would be barred from U.C.C.

2/9/95 • GLND/SMC holds open meeting in LaFortune

3/2/95 • Lunch time GLND/SMC support rally held with the approval of the Office of Student Affairs

12/4/95 • Ad Hoc Committee issues interim report

1/31/95 • Story breaks to press

2/10/95 • 300 students protest on the steps of the Admin. Bldg.

3/6/95 • O'Hara announces creation of Ad Hoc Committee at CLC appearance

2/8/95 • Student Senate passes resolution supporting GLND/SMC and condemning the University's actions

2/23/95 • Kirk warns groups that further protests could warrant sanctions

3/7/95 • Faculty Senate condemns University Actions

2/6/95 • CLC calls for University to recognize GLND/SMC

2/21/95 • HPC recognizes GLND/SMC

2/2/95 • 60 students protest outside the Admin. Bldg. (sponsored by Pax Christi)

2/20/95 • O'Hara rejects CLC resolution

2/29/96 • Ad Hoc Committee issues final report

Pauley: Interpersonal skills create leaders

By SARAH CORKREAN
News Writer

Within an interpersonal group, leadership is a trait all members embody, according to Dr. John Pauley, Assistant Professor of Communications at Saint Mary's College, who spoke about leadership and human intelligence with regards to Intelligence Quotient, (IQ) and Emotional Quotient (EQ) at a Leadership Development luncheon yesterday.

Opening the presentation by involving the audience in the individually ranking personal qualities such as motivation, value of education, and confidence; administration, faculty, and students ranked them-

selves to detect their own perception of self and opinion of leadership ability.

In the book, "Emotional Intelligence," by Dr. Daniel Goleman, that studies personnel executives in a business organization, Goleman's states that it may be "your IQ that gets you hired for a job, but it's your EQ which gets you promoted."

Pauley discussed interpersonal realms and how leaders develop out of those groups. "A leader doesn't just attend to the tasks and assign them, but first has members get to know each other and make everyone feel important and that their job will be a factor in the group's success," he said.

Pauley said that individual failure and set backs are a step in the process of developing effective leadership skills.

According to him, "Leaders have the ability to learn from failure to work towards a solution and are persistent in all they do."

Stressing the positive vision Saint Mary's fosters in the education of developing leaders, Pauley noted that students learn interpersonal skills in small groups in the classroom.

In the cultural models of the past, leaders are thought of as "aggressive, agenda setting individuals who stand alone and drag everyone along," said Pauley.

But Pauley concludes with

Goleman's findings that a true leader has the ability to work with others, listen, and understand others. Interpersonal skills are as important, if not more important than ambition and drive in the work place, he said.

Reflecting on the presentation, Pauley said, "we can now begin to recognize and see leadership in areas never seen or explored before."

Students agreed with Pauley about the role leaders play.

"I found his presentation interesting and now realize we are all leaders in our own way at Saint Mary's," said freshman Meghan Nash. "By relating to others we act in leadership roles at all levels."

Trial team advances to Nationals

By KAREN HILKE
News Writer

Last weekend the Mock Trial team competed in the National Qualifying Regional Competition hosted by Purdue at the Lafayette County Courthouse.

At this, their first of two competitions, Notre Dame faced off against the University of Illinois, Eastern Illinois and Purdue University. A total of fifteen teams competed for the top five spots in order to advance to Nationals.

Notre Dame placed two teams among the top five, qualifying to compete in Nationals. The second team finished first by maintaining a perfect record in all of their trials. The team consisted of Mike Edney, Mike Tierney, Christina Boreale, Matt Blaschke, Todd Cassidy and Jeremy Murtaugh.

The first team placed second overall with a record of 7-0-1. This team is made up of Co-Presidents Dave Horan and Laura Boeckman as well as Dave Mullin, Molly McConville, Drew Klein, Kevin Klau, Maribeth Supperock, and Matt Mahoney.

Notre Dame's third team also placed very well, with a 5-3 record, earning them the seventh position.

This team consisted of Chris Regan, Todd Donbrowski, Jim Burke, Laura Colleton, Jen Dovidio, Ryan Harding, and Kathy Lattanzi.

Co-President Dave Horan had nothing but praise for this team who he feels, "are as qualified to compete in Nationals as well but because of a rule that stipulates that only two teams from one school can advance to Nationals, they will be unable to compete."

Beyond their impressive record, the Mock Trial team is "a lot of fun, and a great way to get you to think on your feet as well as gain an understanding of the courtroom and law itself," says Dave Horan.

The team puts in many hours of hard work and research, especially when it gets closer to competition dates.

Co-President Laura Boeckman said that as the competition dates approach the team might practice as much as 3-4 hours per night in order to be well versed enough in their case and speeches for the competition.

The team receives help from various lawyers in the South Bend area who give them pointers about their technique and style.

The top two teams will be traveling to Des Moines, Iowa on March 28-31 to face the other Regional winners from around the country.

Laura Boeckman was optimistic about their expected performance. "Last year we were twenty seventh so we expect to be within the top twenty five this year."

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Denise Campbell, Cavanaugh

Dole camp prepares for New York primary

By MARC HUMBERT
Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. Sen. Bob Dole's camp threw in the towel Thursday in its lengthy battle to keep Steve Forbes and Pat Buchanan off the ballot for the New York Republican primary next Thursday.



Dole

We decided just to stop," said Dole campaign lawyer Jeff Buley. "We're going to beat them at the polls."

The fight to keep Forbes and Buchanan off the New York ballot gave Dole a black eye on the public relations

front, and recent court rulings went against his campaign.

The bottom line is that Forbes and Dole will be the only candidates on the ballot in all parts of the state. Buchanan, who had been on the ballot in just 13 of the state's 31 congressional districts as of Wednesday, will probably wind up with 23.

No other Republican contenders are on the primary ballot in New York, where 93 delegates are at stake.

The Forbes camp said Dole's decision was designed to help Buchanan and keep New York from turning into a Dole-Forbes showdown.

"The last thing in the world they want is a head-to-head contest with Steve Forbes. They're afraid of us," said Thomas Slater, Forbes' national political director.

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house are donated by members of the community.

During their stay at the house, families are also assisted in getting jobs for their adults and schooling for their children. Families receive unconditional love from McGrath and her volunteers in order to promote a loving environment the families may not be used to.

This love, along with a close contact with the community, remains after families leave the house.

Volunteers from the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's student body are one of the keys to helping the house run smoothly.

Volunteers may help clean or paint the house, but the most important act they perform is

talking to different family members.

Volunteers may stop by only one hour a week, but the conversation they provide helps different family members cope through hard times and maintain positive outlooks.

Kevin Garvey, who is currently taking classes at Notre Dame, became a live-in volunteer at the start of this semester to provide a permanent support for families and take some pressure off McGrath.

Garvey is always there to discuss issues with families, make calls on behalf of families for health care needs, and answer calls from families hoping to live in the house.

During this semester, McGrath and Garvey have instituted two new events at the house to promote its focus on community.

The first is a Monday night dinner where members of the South Bend community and

professors and volunteers from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's eat and talk to the families.

Further, Friday Mass at the house begins today.

Mass will be followed by dinner and a discussion with priests, professors, and the families.

Garvey anticipates about 20 people to attend the mass, but emphasized that there is room for many more.

Anyone interested in attending mass, the Monday Night dinner, or volunteering at the house should call 234-1196.

Many volunteering times are available, including times when two people can volunteer at the same time.

Group volunteering allows family members and volunteers to have a greater intimacy in discussion with each other.

"The two families currently living at the house would appreciate the time any volunteer could give," said Garvey.

Firth

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that will be closely monitored by the Office of Student Affairs.

"This group would not be an ordinary student organization," Firth said. "I think this speaks to the fact that we're dealing with a very delicate topic."

The ad hoc committee recommended that Student Affairs should appoint faculty or administrators to advise the group during its first year, and in following years, the advisors selected by the group's members should be approved by the vice-president for Student Affairs.

Because the findings of the committee are not binding, the recommendations will be implemented at the discretion of the University and the Office of Student Affairs.

As a result, Firth said she would like to remain involved in the evaluations of the recommendations.

"We [the committee members] have invested a lot of time and energy, so I want to be of help in any way I can," she said. "But our reports are just recommendations, so it's up to Professor O'Hara to determine what happens next."

O'Hara has said that she plans to respond to the committee's report by the first

week of April.

Listening to homosexual students and faculty describe the difficulties in being gay at Notre Dame was a learning experience for the committee that brought its members together more closely, Firth said, thus allowing them to be more candid with one another in their discussions.

"By being together as a committee for an entire year, we grew in trust and respect for one another," she said. "In the end, we were able to arrive at a consensus. It just kind of happened."

"It would be great if what we experienced as a group could be experienced on a greater scale by the entire University community," she added.

Reaction

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report is a viable way to address the homosexual community at Notre Dame while staying in the Catholic character."

All student leaders expressed a desire that the homosexual community benefit from the 12 recommendations.

"They must be made to feel that they are an important member of the community," said Catherine McCarren, North Quad Senator.

She stressed the need for homosexual students to have a place where they can meet with their peers. "They need to have their own support group. Someone at Campus Ministry hasn't been through the same thing," she added.

In the past year, Campus Ministry has been the leading outlet for individuals in the gay and lesbian community, but does not sponsor any gay and lesbian support groups.

PERU

Plane crash kills all 123 people aboard

By LYNN MONAHAN
Associated Press

LIMA, Peru
A Peruvian commercial jet crashed Thursday night in an Andean Mountain canyon in southern Peru, killing all 123 people aboard.

There were 40 international passengers on the Faucett Airlines flight, according to an airline statement. The victims included 33 Chileans, two Belgians, two Bolivians, two Canadians and one Brazilian.

Blandford

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port groups will bear a marked similarity to the group he co-chairs. "Any campus group is going to be patterned after GLND/SMC so the question remains why not GLND/SMC?" he said.

The committee's work was for the most part honest and deliberate, Blandford said. "I don't think it should have taken a year to complete, but I'm relatively pleased with the quality of the job they did."

O'Hara's timetable for a response also causes Blandford

some concern. "There's no need to mull it over that long," he said. "It smacks of trying to stall until the end of the school year. The campus should demand she do this in a timely fashion."

"Campus bodies tell her she's wrong, her personal committee tells her to move forward, how much longer do we have to wait?" he asked.

Despite the forward steps, Blandford said he remains pessimistic.

"We are ahead of where we were last year, but we need to remember why the dialogue that emerged was begun," he said. "This is too important to put on the back burner."



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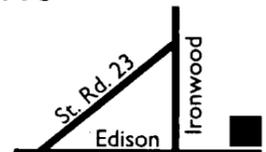
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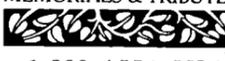
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■ ISRAEL

Hamas ties actions to release of prisoners

Promises halt of attacks if both demands are met

Associated Press

JERUSALEM
The militant Islamic group Hamas said Thursday it will stop attacks against Israel for one week, but demanded that Israel release Palestinian prisoners and stop its offensive against members of the Hamas military wing.

The statement, released to the Associated Press by a Hamas source, was signed by Izzedine el-Qassam, the military wing of Hamas.

It said Israel had until the evening of March 8 to respond to the demands, and if it did not "it will be considered that Israel is violating the agreement."

Aliza Goren, an advisor to Prime Minister Shimon Peres said the prime minister's office had no comment on the demands.

Hamas claimed responsibility for the two suicide bomb attacks that killed 25 people, including two Americans, on Sunday in Israel.

Hamas opposes the Israel-Palestinian peace agreement under which much territory once occupied by Israeli troops now is under the authority of the Palestinian self-rule government led by Yasser Arafat.

Arafat, under pressure from Israel to prevent further attacks, this week ordered arrests of Hamas activists.

In a leaflet, Hamas said Sunday's bombings were in reprisal for the slaying of Yehia Ayyash, the master bomb-maker known as "the engineer" who was killed by an exploding cellular phone Jan. 5.

Israel, which accused him of masterminding a series of bombings that killed 55 people and wounded hundreds, was widely blamed for the assassination.

Sunday also marked the second anniversary of the Hebron mosque massacre in which a Jewish settler shot dead 29 Muslim worshippers.

■ BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA

Siege ends for war-torn capital

By LIAM MCDOWALL
Associated Press

ILIJAS
After driving across a former front line, until recently guarded by Serb guns and armor, Bosnian Interior Minister Avdo Hebib glanced at his watch. It was 10:03 a.m.

"The siege of Sarajevo is now officially over," he declared.

Nearly four years of death and privation in the Bosnian capital ended quietly Thursday as the Serb-held suburb of Ilijas was transferred to government control.

For the first time since the war began in 1992, the government had total control of a road into and out of Sarajevo.

Four years earlier on Feb. 29, Bosnian Muslims and Croats had begun voting in a two-day referendum for independence from Yugoslavia, the starting point of their descent into hell. The siege itself began April 6, 1992.

"We have been waiting a long time for this moment. Too much blood has been spilled in Bosnia, but we have survived to see this moment," Habib said.

Although the handover of Ilijas — the second of five Serb-held districts to be transferred to government authority — was a historic day for the Bosnian government, it was another day of tragedy for the few remaining Serbs packing up to leave.

By March 19, three months after NATO took over from the United Nations in Bosnia, Serbs are obliged to give up all five Sarajevo suburbs they held throughout the war.

International officials said only 2,000 of the 17,000 people who had lived in Ilijas remained as police of the Muslim-Croat federation arrived Thursday morning. Most Serbs fled rather than agreeing to live under the authority of their wartime enemies — only 127 Serbs told the U.N. police they would stay.

Bosnian authorities arrived in Ilijas in a cavalcade of official

Sarajevo siege ends

The Bosnian government took control of the formerly Serb-held suburb Ilijas Thursday.



- ### Ending the siege
- 1995
- Oct. 11: Cease-fire takes effect.
 - Nov. 23: Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic accepts peace plan.
 - Dec. 20: NATO takes over command of Bosnia peace mission.
 - Dec. 27: Government, rebel Serb troops pull back from area around Sarajevo to meet first deadline of peace accord.
- 1996
- Feb. 4: Rebel Serbs withdraw forces from Sarajevo suburbs but keep police in place, marring planned transfer of powers to Muslim-Croat federation.
 - Feb. 8: Bosnian Serb army severs contacts with NATO peace force over the arrest of two Bosnian Serb senior officers in Sarajevo.
 - Feb. 23: Federation police start patrolling the first Serb-held Sarajevo suburbs. Serb exodus increases.

AP/Wm. J. Castello

bullet-proof Mercedes, police cars, fire trucks and electric and telephone vehicles. Engineers were to begin immediate repairs of electrical and telephone lines damaged during the war and by angry Serbs who had left.

About two dozen residents — Muslims, Croats, and Serbs — gathered in front of the police station to watch the arrival. Ninety police — 50 Muslims, 25 Serbs and 15 Croats — were in the team.

Although the takeover appeared to go smoothly, the Bosnian Serbs claimed that Muslim civilians had beaten up some fleeing Serbs.

Several hundred Muslims "penetrated the Ilijas area, some women and children have been beaten, some have been robbed, some buses and loads have been intercepted,"

Dragan Bozanic, the Serbs' self-designated information minister, told The Associated Press.

The Bosnian Serb leadership demanded action from NATO-led forces and international police to stop the alleged beatings.

International officials admitted that some returning Muslim and Croat refugees were harassing departing Serbs, but accused the Bosnian Serb leaders of manipulating their own people into leaving.

Signs of the Serbs' bitter flight were evident. A medical clinic, an apartment building and a cluster of stores were burned out. Many houses were without doors and windows. Wrecked cars had been overturned and robbed of tires. Personal belongings were strewn about in some areas.

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■ **World Business**

Security Council bows to pressure from China

By LOUIS MEIXLER
Associated Press

Acceding to China's demands, the Security Council agreed Thursday to sharply reduce the strength of its mission in Haiti and to cut back the time the force was expected to remain in the Caribbean nation.

The council voted unanimously to slash its force to 1,200 soldiers and to extend the mission for four months.

Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali had recommended that the force be cut from its current level of 4,000 to 1,900 soldiers and that the mission remain for six months.

China repeatedly delayed votes on a U.S.-backed resolution endorsing Boutros-Ghali's proposals, saying the mission was too large and its mandate too long.

But many diplomats said China was acting out of anger

that Taiwan's vice president, Li Yuan-zu, was allowed to attend the Feb. 7 inauguration of Haitian President Rene Preval. China considers Taiwan a renegade province.

China, along with the United States, France, Britain and Russia, is a permanent member of the 15-member council and can veto resolutions.

The logjam was broken after Canada said it was willing to send 600 to 700 soldiers to

make up for the shortfall. The troops would be under U.N. command, but would wear Canadian uniforms and would be paid by Canada. The U.N. force will be commanded by a Canadian.

The U.N. force will also include 300 civilian police, as recommended by Boutros-Ghali.

"It will help a little, but the number of soldiers is not that great considering our needs

and the ineptness of our police," Haitian Sen. Jean-Robert Sabalat, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said in Port-au-Prince.

U.N. troops were sent to Haiti last March to replace the U.S.-led multinational force that restored President Jean-Bertrand Aristide to power the previous October.

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■ SPAIN

Charter bus collides with oncoming car

Faulty rear door remains possible cause of deaths

Associated Press

BAILLEN

A charter bus burst into flames after it collided head-on with a car in southern Spain, killing 29 people and

injuring 18, police said today.

Emergency workers worked through the night to remove bodies from the bus on a highway near Bailen, a small town 175 miles south of Madrid, said Jose Manuel Fernandez, police spokesman in the nearby provincial capital of Jaen.

Fernandez refused to comment on news reports that the bus' rear door had jammed in Wednesday night's collision and prevented many passen-

gers from escaping.

All but one of the 58 bus passengers were Jehovah's Witnesses and their families returning from a church-sponsored excursion to the Sierra Nevada mountain range 30 miles south.

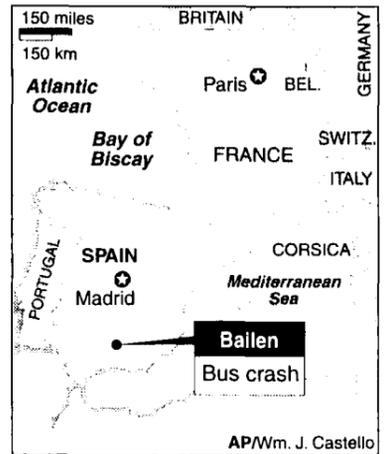
The other passenger was the bus drivers' wife.

The drivers of both the car and the bus were among those killed. Some bodies were burned so badly they could

not be identified.

The accident occurred when the car, with apparently one occupant, crossed to the other side of the road and collided with the bus, which then burst into flames.

Spain is ranked as one of the worst countries for highway accidents within the 15-nation European Union with thousands dying on its roads each year.



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■ NORTHERN IRELAND

Distrust stands in way of renewed cease fire

By SHAWN POGATCHNIK
Associated Press

BELFAST
A secret meeting between Northern Ireland's two top Catholic politicians and IRA commanders revealed the suspicions that stand in the way of a renewed cease-fire.

"There is deep distrust that we have to get rid of," said John Hume, leader of the moderate party that gets most of the Catholic vote in Northern Ireland.

The meeting Wednesday took place about the same time the British and Irish governments offered the Irish Republican Army an olive branch by setting a firm date for negotiations in which the IRA's political ally Sinn Fein can take part if the IRA resumes its cease-fire.

Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams, who accompanied Hume to the meeting, said he wants the IRA to stop bombing, but thought that "very unlikely" unless Britain and Ireland drop other conditions on his party's role in negotiations on the future of the British province.

Adams said IRA commanders

"were totally skeptical and distrustful of the way the British government used and abused" the outlawed group's cease-fire, which ended after 17 months with a Feb. 9 bombing in London that killed two people.

The IRA's ruling "army council" echoed that sentiment in its own statement Thursday, which offered no hint of a second cease-fire. It demanded "an inclusive, negotiated settlement without preconditions," but did not refer to the Anglo-Irish plan.

In IRA-Sinn Fein eyes, British Prime Minister John Major and Irish Premier John Bruton should not require the IRA to stop violence or Sinn Fein to renounce it as the price for full diplomatic contacts.

Major called the IRA remarks "a pathetic response to the hopes and dreams of the people of Northern Ireland."

"It's time for them to realize that for 25 years they have behaved in an appalling fashion. Nobody is going to give way to them, not now, not in the future, not ever," Major said in a BBC interview in Bangkok, where he is attending an economic summit.

■ NORWAY

Committee finalizes Peace Prize nominees

By DOUG MELLGREN
Associated Press

OSLO
Taiwan's President Lee Teng-hui has been nominated for the 1996 Nobel Peace Prize for his pro-democracy drive. He is among 117 nominees on a final list tallied by Nobel officials this week.

In keeping with its tradition of secrecy, the Norwegian Nobel Committee refused on Thursday to confirm the nominees' names.

However, those making the nominations often announce their picks. Lee was nominated along with Chinese dissident Wei Jingsheng and Rudolph J. Rummel, a professor at Hawaii University who has collected evidence of repressive political regimes, by former Swedish deputy prime minister Per Ahlmark.

In his nomination letter, Ahlmark said: "Almost the entire transition by Taiwan to a democracy has occurred during Lee Teng-hui's presidency," which began in 1988.

"For the first time in several thousand years of Chinese civilization, part of the Chinese nation is today run through

elections and an equal voice under political freedom," said the letter, released in Sweden on Thursday.

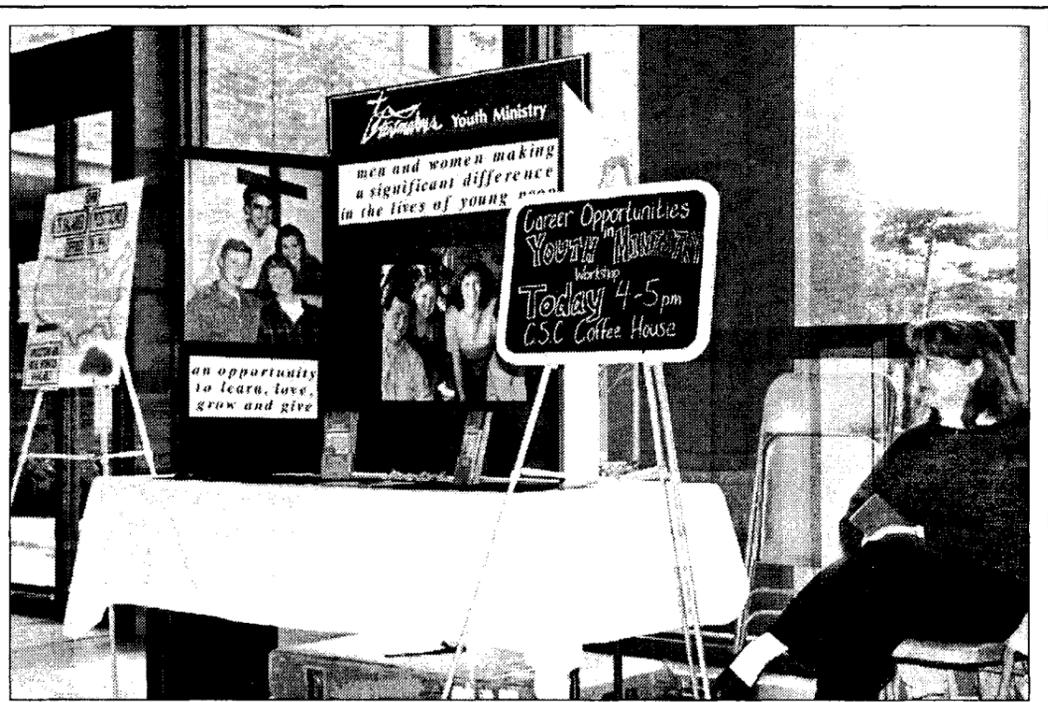
Taiwan is planning its first democratic presidential election on March 23.

Geir Lundestad, the Nobel committee's non-voting secretary, said Thursday that 117 nominations — including 28 organizations — were received this year.

The known nominees include: President Clinton and his emissary Richard Holbrooke, until recently an assistant secretary of state, for their peace efforts in Bosnia; Mordechai Vanunu, a nuclear technician jailed for revealing secrets of Israel's atomic weapons program; Russian human rights activist human Sergei Kovalyov; and East Timor's Catholic Bishop Carlos Filipe Ximenes Belo.

Groups nominated include Russia's anti-war group Soldiers' Mothers, The Salvation Army and Doctors without Borders.

The peace prize, worth \$1 million this year, will be announced in mid-October, Lundestad said. The award is presented in Oslo on Dec. 10.



Recruiting the Socially Concerned

Karen White mans her post at the Center for Social Concern's service and employment informational stand at the Hesburgh Library on Thursday.

TV execs plan ratings system

By JEANNINE AVERSA
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Under pressure from parents and politicians, the television industry promised Thursday to devise a ratings system to warn of violence and sex. "They're handing the TV remote control back to America's parents," President Clinton said.

The promise to rate thousands of hours of programs by the end of the year came during a White House meeting between Clinton and about 30 television and entertainment industry executives.

Clinton also pressed his interest in requiring stations to air at least three hours a week of educational programs for children.

Though the broadcasting industry opposes such quotas, TV executives told reporters they are interested in improving the quality of programming.

"It is not enough for parents to be able to tune out what they don't want their children to watch," Clinton said. "They want to be able to tune in good programs that their children will watch."

"I think (there will be) more Brady Bunch type of programming than cutting edge," said

Ted Turner, chief of Turner Broadcasting System Inc.

TV executives envision a system like the one used for movies, but they are a long way from agreement on whether cartoons and news magazine shows should be rated and how to rate soap operas.

A task force of TV executives will begin work Friday to devise ratings criteria and symbols and decide what will and won't be rated.

"I think it's going to be arduous, be tormenting," said Motion Picture Association of America President Jack Valenti, who is overseeing the ratings effort.

Industry executives privately insist news and sports programs won't be rated, but Valenti said no decision had been made.

The system would cover programs on commercial and public television and on cable. Program distributors would apply the rating.

A new law urges — but doesn't force — the TV industry to rate programs. The ratings, however, are critical to another requirement of the law: that new TV sets be equipped with the v-chip. With a remote-control-like device, a person can block such programs from ap-

pearing on the TV screen. Without the ratings, the v-chip is useless.

Vice President Al Gore predicted the system eventually would reduce the amount of violence and sex on television.

NBC President Bob Wright said his network is preparing for "some fallout" of advertising revenue from a ratings plan. The theory is that programs that carry a tougher sex and violence rating won't be as attractive to advertisers as shows with a benign rating.

"It's going to cost us quite a bit of money," Turner said. But ABC President Robert Iger disagreed. Major advertising groups say they support the plan.

For years, the TV industry opposed rating programs, saying it would violate free speech and reduce advertising revenue.

Under the law, if the industry doesn't create its own ratings system in a year, a government-appointed panel of industry executives would.

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Pilots confident despite recent scrutiny of F-14s

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press

OCEANA NAVAL AIR STATION, Va. — The image may seem odd, but F-14 pilot Paul Onorato thinks of the Navy's supersonic fighter as a truck. It's reliable, he says, so long as you respect its limitations.

"You can't just go out there with a knife in your teeth," the Navy lieutenant said Wednesday.

The F-14 Tomcat suddenly is under public scrutiny after three crashes in three months that killed four naval aviators and three civilians. The Navy is still looking for links in the costly rash of accidents, but until answers are found it has

placed limits on F-14 flying speeds and use of their afterburners.

At Oceana, amid the pine trees and white sands of southeastern Virginia, crew members say they are bothered by any crash but see no reason to worry for themselves.

"I'm not the least bit concerned," said Cmdr. Steve Voetsch, commanding officer of Squadron 102, nicknamed the Diamondbacks, newly returned from a six-month deployment aboard the carrier USS America in the Mediterranean Sea and the Indian Ocean.

Confidence comes from experience. Onorato said an F-14 pilot has logged an average of about 400 flight hours, including about 120 in F-14s, before

he or she qualifies for an operational squadron. Onorato has more than 1,400 hours.

The dozen F-14s in Voetsch's squadron flew more than 4,000 hours from the America without a single mishap, said Cmdr. Kurt Daill, the squadron's executive officer.

All three recent crashes involved F-14s from Miramar Naval Air Station near San Diego. About half the fleet of 337 planes is at Miramar and half at Oceana.

Onorato and other Oceana pilots counsel "intelligent aggressiveness" in the cockpit of the F-14 — particularly the older A model, whose Pratt & Whitney engines long have been criticized by some as lacking sufficient power.

"I wouldn't condemn the aircraft because of the engine," Onorato said as he cast his eyes over a dozen or more rows of dark gray F-14s on the flight line.

The twin-engine, supersonic F-14 is still the Navy's front-line fighter. Launched from an aircraft carrier, the plane is designed to destroy hostile aircraft with missiles. It also can attack ground targets with precision bombs.

The F-14A was equipped with engines meant to be replaced by a more powerful version. Planners determined that making the switch was too expensive, and the plane still

F-14 profile



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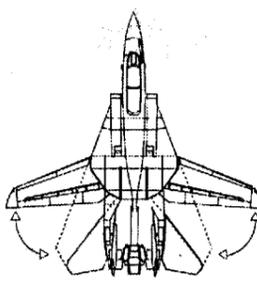
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By RON WORD
Associated Press

OCALA, Fla.

A judge today ordered F. Lee Bailey to jail for contempt of court, turning down the attorney's request for more time to turn over millions of dollars in cash and stock to the government.

Bailey was ordered to surrender Friday morning to serve out a six-month contempt of court sentence, unless he meets three stipulations laid out by the judge.

Bailey's legal woes stem from \$3 million in cash and \$18.7 million in stock he claims a former client gave him for legal fees in a drug-

trafficking case. The government wants Bailey to give back that money and stock.

Bailey's lawyers have said he can't get the stock transferred by U.S. District Judge Maurice Paul's deadline, which was today.

He had asked Paul for three more weeks to get the cash and stock.

Bailey, who was not in court today, could avoid being jailed if he pays the government \$700,000 and pays off a \$2.3 million lien against the Biochem Pharma Inc., stock currently held at a Swiss bank. In addition, Bailey must return the stock and provide documents detailing all transactions dealing with it.

Bailey's lawyer said an appeal would be filed.

Bailey — whose clients have included the Boston Strangler, Dr. Sam Sheppard, Patty Hearst and O.J. Simpson — testified he was still trying to come up with the money and secure the transfer of 400,000 shares in Biochem Pharma, a Canadian company, from Credit Suisse.

Assistant U.S. Attorney David McGee argued Wednesday that Bailey should be sent to jail until he produces the stock, the cash, and documents.

"His actions demonstrate an affront to this court, ... a disregard to this court's orders," McGee told Paul.

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EDITORIAL

A step in the right direction

In February of 1995, the University made what it thought would be a simple decision to forbid an organization unrecognized by the school to meet in the Counseling Center. GLND/SMC had not only been denied recognition, but was now denied a place to gather.

We all know what happened next.

Yesterday the University took its first halting steps towards adequately dealing with a tough problem. After a year of research and discussion following a divisive campus debate, the Ad Hoc Committee formed to investigate the needs of gays and lesbians on campus issued its final report.

Within the report were eight recommendations to reconcile the needs of gay and lesbian students with the doctrine of the Catholic Church, the most important being the formation of a recognized student organization to serve as a support group for homosexual students.

The importance of this group cannot be under emphasized, because it fulfills a role that has been unnecessarily vacant for far too long. Moreover, it is stunning. A year ago, would any one have imagined that a committee created by Patricia O'Hara would actually recommend that Notre Dame have a gay and lesbian student organization which advertised meetings and used University facilities to hold those gatherings?

The Ad Hoc committee, headed by Ann Firth, should be lauded for the gravity with which it conducted its business, and the vision it demonstrated in making its recommendations. The report is a brave statement, especially given the restrictions placed on the committee's mandate.

It is the next steps that are going to be truly challenging. Despite the power of the report, there are many questions left unanswered and many obstacles still to overcome.

First, there is the question of a timetable. The report offers no dates or guidelines for implementation. O'Hara has said she will wait until the first week of April to respond to the document, which makes it unlikely that any of the committee's advice will be implemented this year. By that time half of the student body who witnessed the debate's beginning will have graduated.

The report's language is ambiguous. Phrases such as "act as a resource," "special relationship to the Office of Student Affairs," and "enhancing its outreach efforts" are non-committal at best. How will that language, which dots the statement, be interpreted?

Lastly, these are just recommendations. O'Hara is under no obligation to implement them. A year ago, she rejected a support group with the name GLND/SMC. Will she accept one under a different moniker?

Out of this all, though, comes hope. For the first time in over a year, the University has opened doors that seemed forever closed. Let's hope that those doors open wide to let the whole Notre Dame community in.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Setting the record straight on Darwinism

Dear Editor:

This is a response to Pieder Beeli's February 6 letter. Eddington, not Einstein, said "The law that entropy always increases — the second law of thermodynamics — holds, I think, the supreme position among the laws of nature." (reference on request) Since the law is statistical it is not likely Einstein held it in such esteem.

William Thomson (Lord Kelvin) thought "will" enabled "animated creatures" to exert power over matter so that the animal body "does not act as a thermodynamic engine." (1852) Lord Kelvin was the first of many great physicists to be perfectly happy with dualistic accounts of life and mind. Does Beeli join them in thinking all biology contradicts the second law or just evolution?

In physical chemistry in 1952, a member of the congregation of Holy Cross taught me the principles of Donnan's analysis of the work done to maintain unequal concentrations of various solutes on either side of a semi-permeable membrane.

The same Arthur Donnan carried on a famous dispute with Sir James Jeans, "Nature," 1934, in which Donnan insisted, while Jeans denied, that the total (global) entropy production of metabolic processes — the organism in interaction with its environment — is positive. Entropy increases and the laws of life are in basic conformity with the second law. I stand with Donnan.

Vincent Smith, one of the most conservative Thomists ever to teach at Notre Dame,

encouraged me to read and refute Norbert Wiener's "Cybernetics: or, Control and Communication in the Animal and the Machine," MIT, 1948. Reading Wiener convinced me that homeostatic (self-regulating) processes in organisms could be explained in purely mechanical terms. As all good farm boys know, animal excretion increases entropy. It just happens the still other organisms manage to suck what Schroedinger called "negative entropy" from the steaming heap.

If Pieder wants a better answer, he'll have to ask a better question.

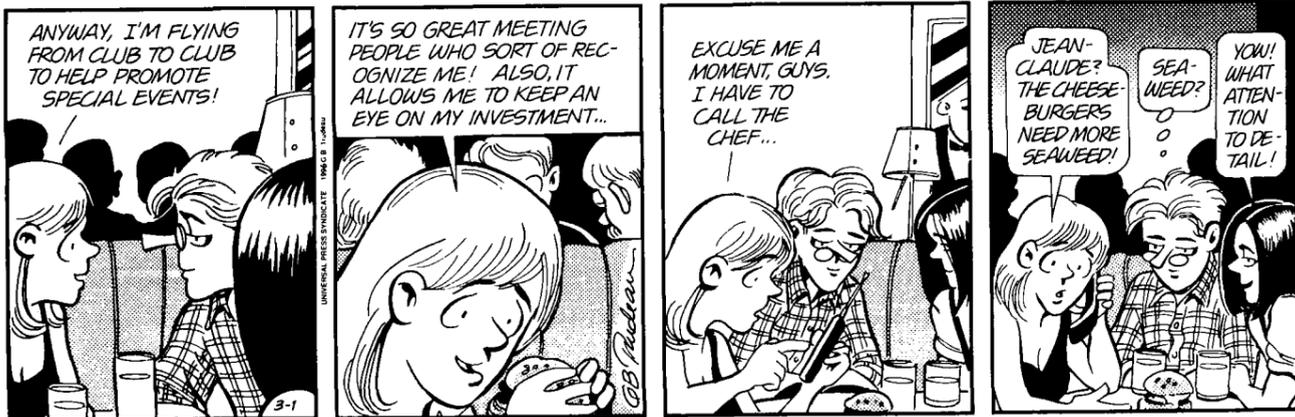
Al Plantinga's "Warrant and Proper Function" does not have 13 chapters. I've heard the argument of chapter 12 soundly refuted at several philosophy colloquia, but Popper's falsification has played no part in any of those discussions.

No Plantagenet and no agnostic, my knees remain intact: Al, for reasons he never justifies philosophically, assumes theistic beliefs and the biological theory of evolution are subject to identical epistemic standards and measures. No "wet noodle," Al has been known to cry "sola scriptura!"

Since all I want from science is models of increasing empirical adequacy, I part company with Al, Philip E. Johnson and all those who insist that Darwin be brought to trial at the bar of religious faith.

A. EDWARD MANIER
 Professor of Philosophy & History

GARRY TRUDEAU



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Not a shred of evidence exists in favor of the idea that life is serious."

—Brendan Gill

■ **LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Legal abortion defies Natural Law

Dear Editor:

The Universal Law is to love one's neighbor as one's self. But America is suffering for its failures to heed this Law. Legal abortion has ruptured the ties that bind us, delivering the message that human lives have value only when wanted by those more powerful. This has deepened the alienation, anger, rebellion and hopelessness that feed crime and other social ills. "Every child a wanted child" has made every child a conditional child to immature parents, contributing greatly to postnatal child abuse (contrary to popular myth, abused children were wanted - for the wrong reasons - more often than those not abused). Abortion's easy availability has exposed women and young girls to increased sexual exploitation and subsequent coercion to use this deadly cover-up. It has been disastrous to the physical, emotional and spiritual health of women, the breast cancer connection alone now killing far more women than illegal abortion ever did. A more powerful vehicle for the abuse, subjugation and suffering of women could hardly be imagined.

Human history is littered with failed attempts to mistreat others without consequences. How much must it cost us before we concede that the Universal Law is as real and immutable as the laws of physics?

ALFRED LEMMO

■ **LOCAL COLOR**

God answers a child's prayer

Around the middle of March every year, I remember Patrick and his prayer for a baby brother.

Patrick didn't want to be the baby of the family. "For the longest time, he kept asking for a baby brother," his mother told me. At the time, Rita and her husband had four children, ranging in age from 18 down to eight. Rita was already approaching her 39th birthday. "Somebody has to be the last one, and I think you're it," she'd say to him.

One day Rita ran into Patrick's Sunday school teacher. "Before Mass there's a special children's service. They go through various readings for the day, and also have a time of personal petition, or prayers spoken out loud. Patrick's teacher said to me, 'I've been trying to decide for the longest time whether to tell you this, but every Sunday, whenever we have petitions, Patrick prays for a baby brother.' She'd taught Patrick for two years in a row, and all that time he'd kept it up. I think it was his steadfastness that finally made her think she should share it with the family."

About three months after hearing that bit of news, Rita wasn't feeling well and went to the doctor. The doctor gave her a routine pregnancy test. The same afternoon, the nurse called to tell Rita the test was positive.

"I almost dropped the phone," she said. "I called my husband right away, and he was very excited. Of course the kids were excited. And the pregnancy was just wonderful. I treasured every moment, because it would probably be the last."

Carol Bradley

Rita had some false labor toward the end. "I went into the hospital on Wednesday, was there for a few hours and came home. Sunday morning was Patrick's birthday, and the labor was going just like it had on Wednesday, but it kept up and kept up. We sang "Happy Birthday" to Patrick, he opened his presents, and Mike and I went to the hospital.

Patrick's baby brother Stephen was born on the same day, on Patrick's birthday, March 17th, St. Patrick's Day.

"I don't remember that Patrick said much at the time," Rita says. "He's a very sensitive kid, and has a strong faith and hope about things. I'm sure he didn't think too much about it. He expected it. But when we got to realizing that Patrick really had prayed for a baby brother, and the brother was born on his birthday... we were just amazed.

"It didn't really hit us until later, when we realized that we probably didn't need to think about a little girl's name, had we realized it early on when we were thinking about names and were prepared for either one."

Defiling of building indicates moral decay

Dear Editor:

It may appear to innocent eyes that the University is in the midst of a considerable rebuilding period. The capitalist edifice COBA stands complete, absorbing shadows cast by new girders sprouting up around the Stadium. The Architecture building receives a facelift and a scaffold skeleton surrounds the Administration Building. On the remains of the golf course rise two new single-sex dorms. All of these structural changes occur before our eyes as we plod back and forth to class.

But before we applaud these renovations, let us consider exactly what is being constructed. And to do this, we must think about what is being destroyed.

On the morning of Ash Wednesday, when good Catholics are reminded of the element to which they shall return, a series of drawings appeared on the front entrances of O'Shaughnessy Hall. The walls of this building house, among others, departments of History, Philosophy, Theology, and English. Several courses within these disciplines are devoted to cultural,

women's, and gender studies.

On the doors providing access to rooms where these classes are taught were inverted white triangles, interlocking signs for female sexuality, and the word "Pride." It appeared that the homosexual community had exercised its right to expression once again. A brave and gay student had escaped from under the thumb of the Administration.

But the symbols, scribed in white chalk, did not remain there for long, for they were erased by Notre Dame Security. A member of Notre Dame's finest could even be seen taking Polaroid pictures of the evidence as if the perpetrator represented a real criminal threat. After all, how could the University allow such an atrocious, perverse display upon its very doors?

The artist responsible must be severely punished. The defiling of a building is a criminal offense. But the "chalker" must not be punished until gender relations on this campus begin to approach a state of normalcy.

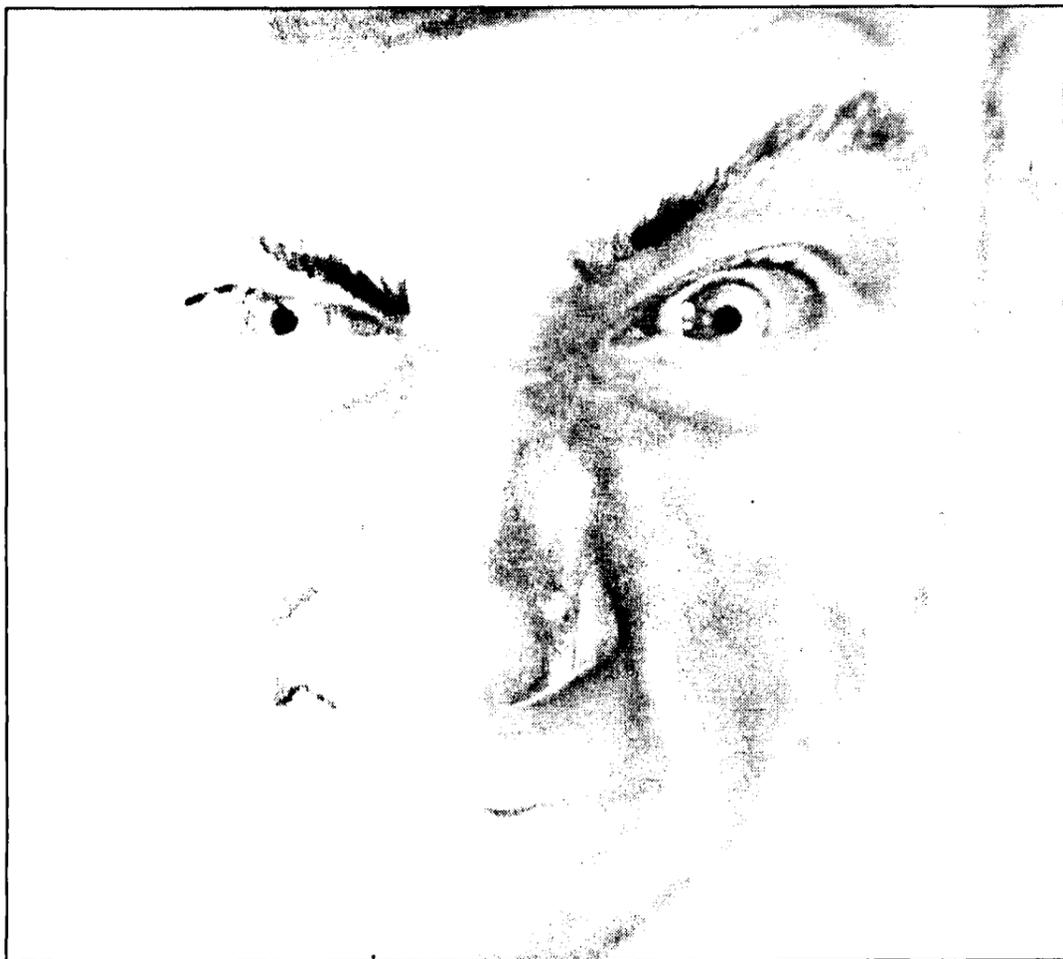
If the University is so concerned about protecting our fragile moral sensibilities from such disgusting displays

of sexuality—consisting of triangles and circles—then why have they neglected to remove the word "RAPE" from a concrete barrier lining the faculty lot near Senior Bar? It could not have been one hour until the chalkings were removed, but the "RAPE" graffiti has managed to remain unblemished since October. Why does the University insist on erasing innocuous symbols while turning the other way when it comes to dysfunctional relations between heterosexual males and females?

Yes, ever so slowly, moral decay performs its acid task across campus. One could even sense the gold leaf of the Dome falling away as Notre Dame Security removed O'Shaughnessy's markings. All around us massive physical structures rise. But little do we know, or care to notice, structures of tolerance crumbling away.

STEVE JURAS

Senior
Off-Campus



Observer manifests ignorance about commencement speaker

Dear Editor:

As long as The Observer is staffed by editors who come up with headlines like "Mary Ann Who?", The Observer will be a third-rate newspaper at a second rate school.

The glaring ignorance of this writer was shocking, even by Notre Dame standards. Mary Ann Glendon is one of the most formidable law professors in this country, and one of the most distinguished Catholic intellectuals in the world. To even compare her with William Jefferson Clinton leaves me incredulous...Incidentally, this writer, like President Clinton, is a Southern Baptist. None theless, I will be at commencement, and I look forward to hearing a serious human being deliver a significant address; I am grateful that I will not be subjected to a barrage of campaign slogans from a weak President with questionable moral character.

MARK JOHNSON COLE
Notre Dame Law Student

Building Dream Habitat for Humanity

By SYLVESTER GORMAN
Accent Writer

DONOR LIST	
University of Notre Dame Campus Chapter of Habitat for Humanity Spring 1995 Construction Project	
Donor	Donation
Anonymous	2 toilets, 2 sinks
ARI Rentals	\$10 chainsaw rental discount
Big "C" Lumber	\$500 gift certificate
Casteel Construction	foundation finishing
Centerline Mechanical Contractors	HVAC sub
Club Coordination Council	\$800
Deluxe Sheet Metal	HVAC ducts
Dye Plumbing & Heating	water & sewer hookup
Furrow Building Materials	\$1,000 gift certificate (undergoing approval), cabinet tops
Habitat President's Council & Donors	\$1,500
Henderson & Crull Lumber	tool aprons, pencils (possibly more)
Heritage Tools, Inc.	tape measures
Ideal Consolidated	house plumbing
Indiana Campus Compact	\$930 Mini-grant
Notre Dame Alumni Clubs	\$200
Notre Dame Alumni	\$10,000 Matching grant
Perince & Associates, Inc.	plot survey, house staking
Personal Donations	\$3,000
St. Joseph's County Habitat Chapter	roofing shingles, 90 sheets drywall
Uterzagani	pest control pre-treatment
Transit Mix Concrete Co.	concrete for footings, foundation, slab
Triangle Drafting, Inc.	blueprint duplication services

Notre Dame students have a unique way of transforming bleak circumstances into thriving situations by combining hard work, creativity, resourcefulness, love, and cooperation. These elements are all imperative for the success of one of campus' largest student organizations, Habitat for Humanity, who only last spring managed to pool its student and community resources together to design and build a house for a South Bend family. The 1996 goal to build another house will soon be a reality, as Habitat is ready to commence construction of a house designed by the Architecture Department that will satisfy the practical needs of a family of three, achieve the design standards of its creators, and cost a minimum amount of money that will be used up in the shortest possible amount of time.

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian housing ministry that seeks to alleviate the housing problem of poverty-stricken areas across the world by repairing and building houses for those people who are willing and qualified to be recipients of such help. The organization has chapters all over the nation and in forty-four foreign countries that volunteer labor and money to establish housing for those in need and to uplift the neighborhoods in which the houses are built. Over the course of the past twenty years Habitat has changed the lives of thousands of people. In 1988, the Notre Dame Chapter of Habitat for Humanity was established very humbly. It continued to keep the tradition of making a difference in people's lives.

Notre Dame's chapter of Habitat began by helping its affiliate, St. Joseph's County, renovate houses on weekends. The group was very dependent upon the affiliate to guide their actions and delegate the workload. The relationship with the county was a healthy one, yet Notre Dame students found their role limited by the county's affinity for doing the brunt of their work in the summer when students were not available to help with the labor. Notre Dame's chapter wanted to do more than help with repairs and be bystanders of the county's "summer blitzes," so they set out two years ago to gather enough monetary, community, and student support to build a house from scratch.

Current President of Notre Dame's chapter Heather Hughes reflects that the group had the drive to achieve their goal, but were unaware of the magnitude of such an undertaking. She says, "We weren't ready for all of the challenges that building a house presented. It took a lot more time and effort than we had surmised. The experience showed that we needed greater organization to be more effective." Habitat figured that it would need at least \$20,000 to make their dream a reality. So, they went out to sell their proposal to different groups in order to raise money to fund the construction. The largest donation had a stipulation, yet it was very enticing. An anonymous alumnus offered to match dollar for dollar up to \$10,000 the amount of money

Habitat for Humanity 1994-1995

Income:

Donations:

Personal Donations	\$17,256
Habitat Presidents Council	1,000
Residence Halls	475
Local Parishes	250
Notre Dame Alumni Clubs	100
Grant from ND Sources	2,500
ND Club Allocations	800

Fundraisers:

Christmas Fnd Drive	\$1,980
Stand at Football Game	178
JPW Catering	682
Build A Thon	910
Dance A Thon	387
House Fundraiser	3492
ICC Grant	930

Total \$30,941

Expenses:

Permits	\$240
Temple Tree Service	630
Lowe's	6000
Big C Lumber	700
Transit Mix	1713
Furrows	200
Pella Windows	1611
Joy's Johns	400
Kaser Concrete	950
Bradbury Brothers	2000
Kitchen Wholesales Inc.	2000
Building Materials	407
Chainsaw Rental	84
Utilities	110
Rental Company	280
Lightfixtures	210
Appliances	3000
Paint Supplies	500
Drywall Supplies	200
Furnace	600
Momper Insulation	400
Copy Expenses	50
Habitat Books	127
Envelopes	70
Stamps	145
Labels	15
Catering	32
Dinners	225
Contractors	4500
Construction Management	1350

Total \$28,748

In-Kind Donations

ABC Supply Co.	\$1200
Alcon Building Products	60
American Seamless Gutters	80
ARI Rental	10
G.W. Berkheimer Co. Inc.	342
Big C Lumber	500
Casteel Construction	1280
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Henderson and Crull Inc.	20
Heritage Tools and Fasteners	30
Ideal Consolidated Inc.	3200
Kaser Concrete	1500
Lankford Electric	3400
M.A.B. Paints	315
Pella Windows	515
Quality Dining	-
SB Water Works	25
Target Stores	50
Termigard Termite & Pest Protection Inc.	500
Transit Mix	1400
Triangle Drafting Company	30
Northeast Neighborhood Center	1000
Habitat For Humanity of St. Joseph's County	50
Ren Hen Turf Farm	525

Total \$20,664

Total Income \$30,941

Total Expenses \$28,748

Balance: \$2,193



Irish Extra 1996 Bengal Bout Finals Irish Extra

Friday, March 1, 8 p.m., Joyce Basketball Arena

Chasing down a dream



Clockwise (from left): Frank Diorio (125 pounds), Bob Lalor (170), Rick Rogers (155), Mike Farrell (175) and Dan Zepf (125)

These senior veterans will make their first finals appearance Friday, but it's not enough to just be there

By MIKE NORBUT

The harshest criticisms always come from within. They evolve from the depths of a boxer's soul, whispered by an alter ego that laughs at failure and applauds defeat.

The voice grows in intensity as the years roll by, repeating the simple words "next year" with

the bite of a snake until they control the boxer's mind and dictate his thoughts.

Visions of a losing decision haunt the boxer's mind until he sees it in his cereal in the morning and on the bag he punches in the afternoon. But they're not even visions of his own decision. Instead, it's a faceless man in trunks of no-color having his

hand raised, much to the applause of the crowd.

The thoughts serve as good motivation.

"As soon as my bout was over last year, I started thinking, 'I'd do this differently, I'd do that differently,'" Frank Diorio said. "This year, I feel a lot more relaxed and confident."

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'Strong bodies fight, that weak bodies may be nourished.'

--Dominic J. "Nappy" Napolitano, Director 1931-81



125 pounds
Frank "The Jersey Don" Diorio
vs.
Dan "Psycho" Zepf



It should have been Frank "Da Cream of" Diorio, but that probably wouldn't have conveyed the right image.

Diorio, a southpaw, is a puncher as opposed to a boxer, and likes "the street fighting" style, as Zepf puts it. He'll voluntarily take a punch or two in order to get inside so he can throw his wide hooks. That means a lot of toe-to-toe action, which could make for quite the crowd pleaser.

Though he claims differently, Zepf, the only other lefty remaining in the Bouts, is much the

same way. As a third-year veteran, he's a very patient fighter that waits for the opening rather than forcing the issue. He almost invites the opponent in before letting the combinations fly.

Don't expect too much defense in this matchup, mainly stemming from the reason that they haven't had to worry about it yet this year. They each have only fought one time, and both earned knockouts in the second round. Stamina could be a real issue in this one.

Make sure you're there on time for this one. It could be the closest bout on the card.

Norbut -- Diorio split

Sherman--Diorio KO (3rd)



130 pounds
Michael "The Admiral" McCurdy
vs.
Tommy "Go Ahead and Sign Your" Will



Welcome to the big show, boys. Whoever wins this bout has a chance to go undefeated for all four years. The loser may be lost in the annals of history as one of many three-time champions.

That may be a lot of pressure to put on either of these two freshmen, who have boxed impressively on their way to their first Bengal Bouts Final. But a lot is on the line.

Only eight freshmen in the history of the Bouts have been four-year champions. A win Friday for either of these two would be the first step.

The last boxer to do it, Jeff Gerber (class of '94), must have come back in the form of

McCurdy, whose form and skill is uncharacteristic of a freshman. The lanky boxer has a good reach and uses it to its full advantage, keeping his opponent away. He will occasionally throw his right, but he relies mostly on his jab and good defense.

Will is perhaps the craftiest boxer in the finals, with a good slip move and a deceptive right hand. His good balance and quick moves have made up for his short reach thus far. He also shows remarkable control for a first-year boxer, especially with a large crowd yelling "Kill him Tommy!" in the background.

Look for a big contrast of styles in the second bout of the evening.

Norbut -- McCurdy unanimous

Sherman--McCurdy unanimous



135 pounds
Toby "Bam Bam" Biolchini
vs.
Matthew Bardol



Biolchini, the president of the Notre Dame Boxing Club this year, has not yet had to step foot in the squared circle, yet he's battling in the finals. Ah, the powers of the presidency.

Actually, Biolchini has advanced through a bye and a walkover due to injury, but that matters little now.

One advantage, though, might be that Bardol has not had the opportunity to see Biolchini in a live fight situation, whereas Biolchini has had two chances to break down his opponent.

He might be a bit weary of what he saw from Bardol, a fellow senior.

Rather lanky, Bardol doesn't appear to be a

heavy hitter. Oh, but looks can be quite deceiving. Just ask Dennis Joyce, Bardol's opponent in the quarterfinals.

Bardol rudely introduced Joyce to his right hand via a wild hook that snapped Joyce's head back. It was one of the bigger punches of the tournament through the quarterfinals. Bardol was not quite as active in the semifinal round, but his power was still quite evident.

Bardol is not the quickest boxer around, but he likes to dance and move his hands. This could be a distraction for an inexperienced boxer, but Biolchini has been around the block before.

It's just a question of how tense he is in his first bout.

Norbut -- Biolchini split

Sherman--Bardol split



140 pounds
Ted "The Ragin' Roman" Pagano
vs.
Doug "The Kid" Pollina



Expect all of Stanford Hall to be out in force when this bout is announced. Pollina, a sophomore, is a definite crowd favorite, which should work to his advantage come Friday's final.

Pagano is the seasoned veteran, but he had some trouble in his semifinal bout, a split decision win over Tom Cronley. Cronley held a reach advantage in the bout, which forced Pagano into a roundhouse style, throwing wide hooks instead of straight jabs.

He's the top seed for a reason, however. It was his power that earned him a knockout in the quarterfinals and his stamina that gave him the win Tuesday night.

Pollina never throws one punch by itself. His jabs are always followed by a strong right, which in turn is followed up by a tough left. It was Pollina's left that earned him a knockdown of James Gilmartin in the first round of his semifinal bout, but it was his constant punching that kept Gilmartin away.

Their styles are pretty similar. So, depending on your outlook, that could be good or bad. Both like to chase their opponents, which means some good slugging early on and in the third round.

But, on the other hand, it could make for a lot of gloves hitting each other and nothing really landing. Whatever the case, it looks to be a close bout, the victory going to the boxer who can throw, but not necessarily land, more punches.

Norbut -- Pollina unanimous

Sherman--Pollina split

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A look at how each u

Breakdowns and Picks by Mike Norbut (Sports Editor)



145 pounds
Andrew "Give Me Your Best Blow" Dicello
vs.
Fred "Irish Stout" Kelly

Fred Kelly said after his semi-final win Tuesday, "When you get in there, some people have heart and spirit, so anything can happen."

Both boxers have talent. Dicello uses his jab and parrying to get inside and land combinations. Kelly uses a stiff jab and follows it up with a compact right. Neither are afraid to go to the body.

The clincher in this matchup is the

Dicello legacy. He's a returning champion and a captain of this year's group. He's also a skilled boxer. Kelly is a newcomer, so it

probably wouldn't affect him as much as it would a long-time member of the Bouts.

Any man named "Irish Stout" probably n't be too afraid.

Kelly will have the reach over Dicello in the matchup. He'll have to use it to its utmost to win. Watch for some good body shots.



Andrew Dicello

Norbut -- Dicello split
Sherman--Kelly split



150 pounds
Butch "The Beautician" Cabrerros
vs.
Tom "The Quiet Man" Kelly

There is nothing pretty about Cabrerros' opponents after a visit to his beauty parlor, nor is there anything quiet about Kelly's fighting style.

Cabrerros doesn't have the consummate boxer's body but the skills and smarts compensate.

Quick in the ring and with the gloves, the junior is one of the more notable characters, both for his



Butch Cabrerros

talent and talk.

Kelly, on the other hand, does all his talking with his gloves and thus far, he's been pretty loud.

Combos fly when Kelly is around, something he learned from his working in out in an old boxing gym in Chicago. If anyone can stay with

Cabrerros, Kelly's punching ability and endurance should allow him to do so.

Norbut -- Cabrerros unanimous
Sherman--Kelly split



155 pounds
Rick "The Dragon" Rogers
vs.
John "Place Your Bets" Kmetz

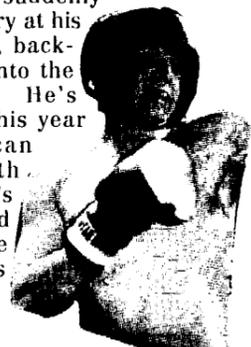
Rogers has incredible defense, but that could turn out to be his downfall. His wrong anticipations of Charlie Algier's punches in his quarterfinal bout nearly cost him the victory.

Rogers, however, has a quick jab and makes good use of combinations, able to throw many punches and get out quickly.

Kmetz fights in spurts. He'll jab

and then suddenly run a flurry at his opponent, backing him into the ropes. He's showed this year that he can win both

the boxer's bout and the swinger's brawl.



John Kmetz

Norbut--Kmetz split
Sherman--Kmetz unanimous

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Weight class sizes up

by Tim Sherman (Sports Editor Calabria)

160 pounds

Chip "Off the Old Block" Farrell

vs.

Chris "The Polish Prince" Sikora



Sikora has already shown that he can pull off the upset with his semifinal win over Ryan. His straight jabs and good combinations have already gotten him farther than some people thought he would.

Farrell has not yet stepped in the ring this year, receiving a first round bye followed by a second round walkover when his opponent, Bob Biolchini, couldn't go. The sophomore has finals experience, having lost to Rob

Naticchia at 175 pounds a year ago. He's a little quicker this year, having lost 15 pounds and being in better shape.

One thing that may help Sikora is Farrell's tendency to bleed. He got a nasty cut over the bridge of his nose in the quarterfinals last year, and had several stoppages during his next two fights because of the blood. Blood isn't the deciding factor, but it can help to cloud a scorer's judgement. Look for Farrell to come out fast.

Norbut -- Farrell split

Sherman--Farrell split

165 pounds

John "You Won't Last as Long as My Name" Christoforetti

vs.

John "Take Your Last Breath" Roy



Christoforetti, much in the mold of Cabreros, is far and away a more talented fighter than the majority of the regular Bout field.

As captain, he is one of three returning champions still fighting. And for good reason.

The junior is one of the quickest punchers in the division. Combine this with a high degree of accuracy and you get a ferocious fighter.

Not overly quick on his feet, the former kickboxer compensates with his speed of the ring.

and good balance. If he has a weakness, it may be his punching power. Despite bloodying his opponent John Mele, the big punch has been missing from his arsenal. That's not to say it isn't there though.

It will be Roy's task to make sure it stays hidden.

The other thing Roy has to do is simpler - throw punches.

Roy seems to have good boxing instincts but has proven to be gunshy. If he expects to compete with Christoforetti, he's going to have to unload everything he has.

John Christoforetti

Norbut -- Christoforetti unanimous

Sherman--Christoforetti unanimous

170 pounds

Bob "The Whaler" Lalor

vs.

John "Take Two of These & Call Me in the Morning" Maciariello



There's a marketing adage that goes something along the lines of "We'll sell you a whole seat, but you'll only get the edge." For this fight, you might not even need the edge. Expect a slugfest.

Lalor, the top seed, has struggled a bit in the early rounds, but the senior is here for a reason. With the jabs, Lalor has done well in setting the tempo.

Maciariello will do his best to change that and he will probably be successful. He will come with fists-a-flyin' from the opening bell, trying to turn the bout into a brawl. He did so with a more athletic Erik Henderson, so it won't be a problem dragging Lalor into a hard-hitting contest.

The key determinant in this bout will be the effectiveness of Lalor's jabs. They must keep Maciariello outside.

Norbut -- Lalor split

Sherman--Maciariello unanimous



175 pounds

Mike "Double Barrell" Farrell

vs.

Matthew Dowd



People scratched their heads after Farrell beat Norm Beznoska on a unanimous decision. The explanation is easy--he played good defense. Farrell does a good job of keeping his head away from his opponent until they make a mistake. Then he unloads with a left hook.

Dowd has shown good control so far in his previous two bouts, though you can expect his hands to drop considerably after two two-minute

rounds. His best chance of scoring points will be in the first two rounds.

Farrell is hungry, to say the least. He was a second seed at 170 last year but was upset unexpectedly by Todd Murphy. This is his first chance at the finals, so it has to count.

Dowd's key will be throwing his combinations and avoiding Farrell's hook. Farrell did not show the straightest of punches in his semifinal win.

Norbut--Farrell unanimous

Sherman --Farrell unanimous



185 pounds

Brian "The Nutty Irishman" Gaffney

vs.

Dan "Iron Man" Cunningham



Gaffney's nickname could not be more appropriate, as the freshman's fighting style is definitely frenzied. It's also worked. Gaffney often resembles a windmill during a hurricane in the ring and it has served him well. Coming at his opponents with a wide variety of looping hooks and wild uppercuts, Gaffney doesn't give his opponent any idea of what's up next. He might not even know himself.

But with all the offense, there is a definite ten-

dency to leave more than a few very inviting openings. Mike DeBiasi was able to exploit a few, Cunningham will have to find a few more.

Cunningham has shown the ability to do so. Combining his punches has been a strong point for him and he will need to continue to win.

Cunningham may very well be able to frustrate an overly fired-up Gaffney, but it's tough to box when you have arms flying at you from all different directions.

Norbut--Gaffney unanimous

Sherman--Gaffney split



190 pounds

Mike "Bad Print" Mantey

vs.

Ken "Jesus Loves Me" Oliphant



It's rare for a fight in the upper weight classes to be such a contrast in styles, but this showdown fits the bill. Mantey, who won a title as a freshman and is looking to return to the winner's circle as a junior, is, first and foremost, a boxer. Oliphant more fits the bill of a relentless puncher without much regard for defense. Something will give.

Imposing physically, Mantey prefers to pick away at opponents rather than sit back and

whale away. This style has served him well, but one wonders if he'd be better off putting his strength to a little more use.

Oliphant will give him the chance to do so, if his last fight was any indication.

Quick and hard-working, Oliphant stood toe-to-toe with a stronger Chuck Ferrando and out-punched the puncher.

The senior has the physical tools to be a success. But Mantey has the experience.

Norbut--Mantey split

Sherman--Oliphant split



200 pounds

Troy "C-Bass" Phillips

vs.

Cory "Win at Any Ex-" Spence



Sam Neely would love Phillips' nickname, though the sophomore would probably like the words, "Kick his (butt)" inserted in front of it.

Phillips is a physical presence in the ring, but he has the skills that many big boys lack. He's quick on his feet and throws straight punches at his opponent.

Spence should have a large "cheering" section Friday night, but he's going to need more than megaphones against Phillips, a defending champion. Spence is in good shape, though, and showed very good power against his semifinal opponent, John Donovan.

One punch either way could end it in this bout, but you can count on Phillips to parry Spence pretty well.

Norbut--Phillips KO (3rd)

Sherman--Phillips unanimous



Heavyweights

Tim "The Sauce Boss" Regan

vs.

Shannon Donovan



On paper, this showdown appears to be a physical mismatch. While Donovan doesn't even look to be six feet tall, Regan stands 6-foot-5. Clearly, a reach advantage will be in the corner of the Irish Guardsman.

If Donovan has an advantage, it may be that Regan has yet to see action in the ring, due to a

lack of heavyweight contenders.

Still, Regan's sheer size and power may be too much for even a gummy Donovan to overcome. But if someone will give it his all, Donovan is your guy.

Donovan's big weakness is his tendency to wind up with his right. It could be exploited.

Norbut--Regan KO (3rd)

Sherman --Regan KO (2nd)

Dream

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He better. Diorio, along with some of his fellow senior veterans, are putting all their eggs in one basket this year. Not only are they traveling into the uncharted territory of the finals, but it's their last chance to get a jacket that reads, "Bengal Bouts Champion."

"For me, this is the big hump," Bengal Bouts captain Bob Lalor said. "Last year, I lost by a split decision in the semifinals. This year, luckily, I won. I want to win it all."

Lalor has heard the voice more than anyone. A four-year veteran of the Bouts, he was stonewalled in the semifinals the previous three years. It only increased his resolve to succeed.

"This year I conditioned myself," he continued. "I spent long rounds on the heavy bags and running sprints. The third round last year was what killed me. But this year, I scored more points than both my opponents in the third round."

Whether it's conditioning, calming oneself down or even just reading a book on boxing, something different has managed to get each senior over the hump.

Toby Biolchini has just had to take a stroll over it this year. The Bengal Bouts President hasn't even had to fight this year after getting a bye in the first round and a walkover in the semifinals.

Biolchini has had hard luck over the past few years, including falling in the semifinals a year ago. After finding out that his semifinal opponent, Joe Leslie, wasn't able to go because of a broken hand, it would seem that he wouldn't really complain. But in the spirit of the Bouts, Biolchini would rather box than get a jacket the easy way.

"This is what we worked for all year," Biolchini said. "As a senior, I'm missing my opportunities in two of three possible

fighters. But, this is the card I've been dealt. Hopefully, it'll all work out."

Whether they earned it without breaking a sweat or by winning two split decisions like Lalor, the finalists have gotten over the hump. But the hump isn't even half of it.

"Basically, it's none of it," Diorio said. "For a lot of boxers, just stepping in the ring is enough. For me and other seniors, there's something more."

Diorio is only a second-year veteran, but he has possibly the most unique Bengal Bouts experience. As a senior last year, he thought it was it when he bowed out in the 130-pound quarterfinal to future champion Eric Garcia. But when graduation plans didn't work out, Diorio had a new outlook.

"When I found out about not having enough credits, the first thing came to my mind was I could box again," he said. "My dad thinks I purposely worked it that way so I could have another shot."

He's made the most of it so far. He'll have to face another first-year finalist and senior veteran, Dan Zepf, in the finals. Both earned knockouts in their first fights of the year in Tuesday's semifinals. Remarkably, they were the only two knockouts of the evening. Even more remarkable is the fact that they're the two top seeds in the 125-pound weight division.

"This year, I didn't want to leave it up to the judges," Zepf said after finishing off Matt Peacock in the second round. "(Diorio's) a brawler that likes street fighting. I'm sure it will be a crowd pleaser."

Zepf, who has boxed since his sophomore year, always dreamed of being in the finals. Now, though, it's just not enough.

"There were only four guys in my weight class to start," he said. "I wasn't planning on finishing second. My family's coming in too. I wouldn't want to lose with them here."



The Observer/Kevin Klau Senior Dan "Iron Man" Cunningham (left) is after his first Bengal Bouts title in the 185-pound division. He'll face hard-hitting freshman Brian Gaffney in tonight's final.

Losing is not an option for any boxer, but there's a clock on the seniors that's ticking with the cruelty of that little voice inside their heads. For Rick "The Dragon" Rogers, it's been almost 15 years of development, starting with learning the art of Ketsu-Ka, a mixture of five different forms of martial arts.

Rogers has by far the best defense of anyone in the Bouts, but he always lacked the intangibles of a champion in each of his past three years. In his mind, it was just focus.

"I've had an easier schedule academically this year, which has allowed me to focus more on boxing," he said. "I sparred a lot, and I think that's what gave me the number one seed."

Top seed or not, the clock is ticking with the cruelty of the voice inside each boxer's head. But, even though the

nerves are tight, the confidence is there.

"I'd say I'm more anxious than nervous," Zepf said. "The waiting's the worst, but once you're in the ring, it turns to excitement."

"I'll be ready Friday," Diorio said. "I'm more conditioned, and experience is worth its weight in gold."

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that the group could raise. This gave the organization incentive to explore a maximum amount of fund-raising potential. With the help of HPC, various innovative fund-raising events, and in-kind donations from community organizations and businesses, the chapter surpassed what was originally conceived as an immodest goal. The most selfless act of student charity and solidarity to help raise funds was when student waiters and waitresses for Junior Parent's Weekend wore buttons which indicated that their paychecks were going toward Habitat for Humanity. By doing this, the group was increasing both awareness and the money in their coffers. In last year's drive toward construction, the group established itself as ingenious and capable of being fairly independent of outside help with the exception of some funding.

One unique aspect of Notre Dame's program is its independence from its affiliate. One member recently discovered that there are only a handful of schools in the nation who have been fortunate enough and motivated enough to be able to say they have built an entire house from the ground on up. Notre Dame's chapter is the only one of its kind that can boast independence from control of the affiliate. At other schools, the groups are directed by the affiliates, and they have little say in the larger decisions that go into building a new house. Also, Notre Dame's chapter is the only one in the nation that had enough foresight to challenge the traditional method of raising funds for future projects. Basically, in the old frame-

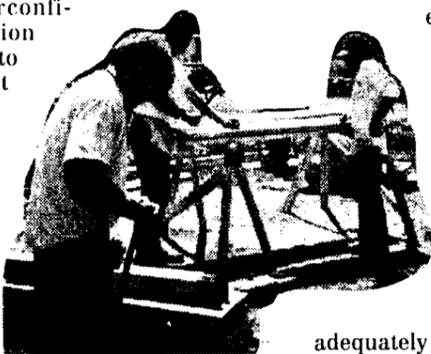
work, the money raised for a project is not capable of being regenerated for the chapter's use. Money earned from the interest-free mortgage payments goes directly to the affiliate for other endeavors. Board members at Notre Dame deemed that this process caused unnecessary amounts of work to raise money for future projects so they decided to direct the mortgage payments toward their own accounts. This idea of recycling funds and allowing the present group to feed off of the efforts of the previous year is a revolutionary concept that is sure to be emulated by other schools. With respect to innovation, there is no other chapter in the country like Notre Dame's.

Last year's major project was a success despite all of the unexpected pitfalls that the organization encountered. There were weather problems, funding uncertainties, overconfidence, and a general misconception about all of the detail that goes into building a house. This year's project is sure to capitalize upon the experiences gained from last year. Hughes says, "We have a better idea of what we are doing, and we know what to look out for. We know how not to fall behind schedule, and through last year's eventual success, we realize that it isn't a fantasy anymore." The board has expanded and has made the group much more organized than in the past. They are delegating authority more effectively, they have created a database to facilitate communication amongst members and workers, a Habitat homepage has been established, and more literature on the organization has been distributed. Hughes says, "We have made ourselves more visible, and we have more members more involved than before."

A family has been carefully chosen to dwell in the house, just as it was last year. Like the Kariuki family who resides in the house Habitat built last year, Mitzi Garner and her two sons will have to put in at least two hundred "sweat hours" alongside Habitat and community workers. The "sweat hours" are an integral part of the program. The way in which the family is a part of the building process makes the program a more cooperative venture and produces friendships between volunteers that are special and lasting. The Kariuki family appreciates the benefits of making manual contributions to their home. Sam Kariuki says, "For my family and I, it was amazing to see such hard work show results so quickly. We began with strangers on a vacant lot. In a short time, we ended up with a house and many good friends." The Kariukis frequently eat dinner with their new friends and also offer consultation for the present undertaking. The involvement of the family separates Habitat from similar organizations that are purely charitable. Hughes says, "It's not a handout. It's a helping hand. It's great that we still keep in contact with Sam and Betty and the kids."



This weekend is the beginning of the construction process, and Monk Malloy will kick off the "Blitz" with a blessing of the house at a candlelight service at 6:30 pm on Friday. Members of Habitat are geared up for the work that is ahead of them and also more prepared for the inevitable frustrations of building a house. They even plan to labor over Spring Break while many other students head south. The group has plans that extend beyond the present project as well. Hughes would like to see even greater participation from students and more work done in the neighborhoods surrounding Notre Dame. She says, "I'd like to see a Fall Break trips to other sites in the future. Some kids don't get into Appalachia, so Habitat can pick up the interest that Appalachia can't handle." The organization has made great strides in becoming a social service force in the South Bend area in only a few years, and it hopes to continue this new tradition in years to come. Katie Warzon notes, "It's amazing how much it's changed. I'm excited about the continuity it will create from year to year. The support for the families has been incredible." Habitat seems to be headed in the right direction and more than adequately represents what Notre Dame is all about.



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Page 22 in yesterday's Scholastic was just SO original!!!

Hello?!?!? I read page 8 of Thursday's Scholastic in Wednesday's Observer. Hmmm. Seems like the key to "investigative reporting" is to read the Observer....

Waterfalls, so much for your big test today. Hope you get home in time to take it. How many people did you tell about that \$50 night? c

Corbett- Take my school ID again and you're toast

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Public Service Announcement: Any photo appearing in the Observer under the title "File Photo" was most likely taken by the one, the only Dave Murphy, and chances are that it was Brian's fault that he did not receive proper credit.

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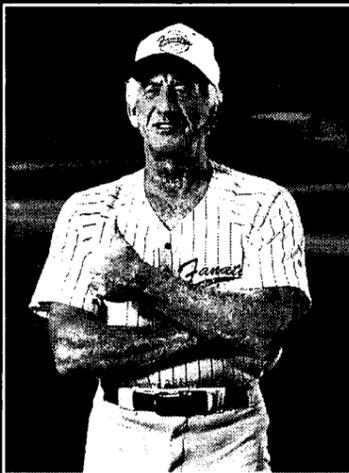
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■ PRO FOOTBALL

O'Donnell returns home to play for Jets

By DAVE GOLDBERG
Associated Press

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.

The man who took Pittsburgh within a drive of winning the Super Bowl is now the quarterback of the team with the NFL's worst record.

Neil O'Donnell made it official Thursday. He took \$25 million over five years, including a \$7 million signing bonus, from the New York Jets, returning to the area where he grew up rather than staying with the team he nearly led to a championship.

He joins a team that has spent the first fortnight of free agency in an uncharacteristically aggressive style.

The Jets, 3-13 last season, enticed O'Donnell by signing tackles Jumbo Elliott and David Williams to shore up an awful offensive line. They are likely to take wide receiver Keyshawn Johnson of USC with the first pick in the draft to augment a receiving corps whose leader was Wayne Chrebet, a rookie free agent.

It was an agonizing choice for O'Donnell, a native of Madison, N.J. who grew up rooting for the New York Giants.

The numbers with the Jets were agreed upon Tuesday night and he seemed then an hour away from signing a deal. But even with Pittsburgh's numbers far below New York's — they reportedly never went above three years at an average of about \$3.5 million — he finally opted for the Jets.

"I gave Pittsburgh every opportunity to sign Neil O'Donnell," O'Donnell said. "It was a tough decision. It really was. When you're one drive away from winning it all, you want to keep it intact."

"The salary cap changes everything," said his agent, Leigh Steinberg. "The salary cap breaks up happy marriages."

Even with the Jets' moves, they are considerably farther than one drive away from a title — even one in the AFC East, which they haven't won since 1969. But O'Donnell will have time — at 29, he's just entering what is normally the prime of a quarterback's career.

Last season, he completed 246 of 416 passes for 2,970 yards and 17 touchdowns with just seven interceptions.

After he returned from a broken thumb sustained in the Steelers' opening game, he led them to 10 victories in 11 games, the only loss coming on a dropped pass on what would have been the winning touchdown.

One of the casualties of the signing was Bubby Brister, the backup quarterback, who was released by the Jets to make room under the \$40.7 million salary cap for O'Donnell.

Ironically, it was O'Donnell who ousted Brister from his starting job in Pittsburgh five years ago.

Also gone will be Boomer Esiason, the 35-year-old incumbent who came home to New York three years ago only to find himself sink into the Jets' longterm problems.

Esiason, who preceded O'Donnell at Maryland and recruited him there, has already cut his ties to the team and will probably end up as a backup somewhere before heading for the television booth. "I think the world of Boomer," coach Rich Kotite said. "But you have to separate the professional from the personal."

Hampton runs to West Coast

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif.

New York Giants running back Rodney Hampton and the San Francisco 49ers have reached agreement on an offer sheet which would give the free agent \$16.4 million over six years, including a \$3.6 million signing bonus, the San Francisco Chronicle reported today.

The newspaper, quoting sources familiar with the negotiations, said Hampton, 27 and with five straight 1,000 yard rushing seasons, would sign the offer sheet as soon as it is prepared, probably by Friday.

The 49ers will have to make some moves to keep the deal under the NFL salary cap. Players vulnerable to release include defensive end Dennis Brown, left tackle Steve Wallace and center Bart Oates.

Hampton was classified by the Giants as a transition player, which means New York will have a week to match San Francisco's offer to keep him.

Although Giants coach Dan Reeves has said he wants Hampton to stay, the 49ers are betting New York won't want to spend the money, given that they drafted running back Tyrone Wheatley in the first round and also have veteran Herschel Walker under contract.

San Francisco club president Carmen Policy declined to go into specifics about the 49ers' offer to Hampton, who would solidify a running game that never recovered from the free agency loss of Ricky Watters to Philadelphia prior to the 1995 season.

Negotiations were being handled by general manager Dwight Clark and Hampton's agent, Ralph Cindrich.

The 49ers' president said only

that the two sides were working on a six-year deal that would include a record signing bonus by the 49ers. The biggest signing bonus awarded to a San Francisco player currently is the \$2.85 million received by top draft pick J.J. Stokes last year.

"We are not structuring a deal that has a lot of gadgets, gimmicks or poison pills," Policy said Wednesday. "We are not an organization that believes in that style of operation. ... We do believe that the deal we ultimately sign will not make sense for the Giants to match because they are in the fortunate position of having depth at

that position." Meanwhile, the 49ers announced that the Tampa Bay Buccaneers matched their offer sheet of four years, \$2.4 million to Michael Husted, retaining their place-kicker.

However, Tampa Bay did not match San Francisco's four-year, \$1.4 million bid for receiver and special teams stand-out Curtis Buckley, and he is now a 49er.

Policy also said the 49ers remain interested in reaching a deal with free agent defensive end Leslie O'Neal. The organization has identified running back and pass-rush specialist as its two most pressing needs.

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Belle's outburst earns fine

By RONALD BLUM
Associated Press

NEW YORK
This time, Albert Belle's tantrums brought him a record fine.

The temperamental Cleveland Indians outfielder was ordered Thursday to pay \$50,000 for his profane tirade toward NBC reporter Hannah Storm during the World Series.

It was the biggest fine ever assessed a baseball player, and acting commissioner Bud Selig had threatened to suspend Belle if he didn't agree to the terms of the punishment.

"The fine is without any precedent in the history of baseball and totally unjustified," said Belle's agent, Arn Tellem. "Had we been able to have this matter heard by an impartial arbitrator, there is absolutely no way we would have agreed to this resolution."

"But given the fact that the prosecutor and the judge and the jury were all the same person, we had no choice but to accept the best deal and not risk being suspended for any games during the season."

Selig is trying to polish baseball's image in the aftermath of the 232-day strike.

"Baseball has been through some very difficult times," Selig said. "We need not to compound it in any negative fashion when

there doesn't have to be negativism."

A source familiar with the negotiations, speaking on the condition he not be identified, said the Indians will cover a substantial portion of Belle's fine, which will be paid to three charities.

Cleveland general manager John Hart and Belle refused comment at the team's training site in Winter Haven, Fla., but Belle issued a statement through the team.

"For a number of reasons, I have decided not to contest the action," he said. "Principal among them is my desire to permit the Cleveland Indians to focus on the task at hand — preparing for the upcoming season...."

"I very much regret the incident and the ill feelings it has generated. At no time whatsoever was the presence in the dugout of any individual reporter the cause of my actions."

"I was upset with the sheer number of them in the dugout and not any particular one. But having said that, many of them were simply doing their job and it was not for me to decide they should not be there."

Belle's tantrum came before Game 3 of the World Series last Oct. 24. Selig, who was about to begin TV negotiations with the networks, was embarrassed by the incident.

Storm was traveling Thursday

and could not immediately be reached.

"NBC Sports has always supported Hannah and we fell major league baseball has acted appropriately today," the network said in a statement. "We are glad that this puts the issue to rest and we look forward to good relationships with major league baseball and its players in the future."

The players' association had threatened to file suit in an attempt to force the matter before Nicholas Zumas, the sport's independent arbitrator. However, Selig claimed it was on-the-field discipline and not subject to Zumas' review. By the time the union could get the matter before a judge, Belle would already have served any suspension.

"I don't condone what Albert did, I don't agree with what he did, and I don't like what he did, but I think \$50,000 is an awfully stiff fine," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said.

Belle, 29, often refused to speak with reporters last season. He hit .317 with 50 homers and 126 RBI, but his surly conduct may have cost him the AL Most Valuable Player award, won by Boston's Mo Vaughn.

Belle also was involved in an off-season incident in which he drove his car after teen-agers who had thrown eggs at his Ohio home on Halloween.

When he called police to report the incident, Belle said, "You better get somebody over here because if I find one of 'em, I'll kill 'em," according to a tape of the call.

Healthy Cone looks to put Yankees on top

Associated Press

TAMPA Fla.

New York pitcher David Cone will be looking to put some rumors to rest when he starts the Yankees spring training opener.

Since last year's American League playoff series with Seattle, Cone has battled speculation he injured his arm against the Mariners.

"I've heard whispers," Cone said. "If pitching in the first game doesn't answer those questions, nothing will, I guess."

Cone, the scheduled regular season opening day starter, will get a sneak preview of the opponent as the AL champion Cleveland Indians provide the opposition in the first-ever game at Legends Field.

"Not an enviable task to face

Cleveland in the first game," Cone said. "The mentality should be it's just another workout, but the pride factor takes over. No one wants to go out there and get embarrassed, especially with full stands and a new stadium."

While many will critique his Friday numbers, Cone has a different agenda.

He said, "Everybody is always going to look at the numbers, even if it's the first spring training game." Cone said. "In reality, April 1st is what I'm really worried about. Whatever it takes to be ready on that day is most important."

The Yankees face a fight with the likes of Boston and Baltimore in the AL East. Still, Cone likes New York's chances of finishing on top.

Knight, Cincinnati welcome return of Davis

Associated Press

PLANT CITY, Fla.

Eric Davis thinks he can rekindle the success of his glory days for the Cincinnati Reds. But manager Ray Knight still regards Davis as just a backup outfielder.

"I've had guys tell me I was their idol growing up," Davis said of some fellow Reds in camp. "Mike Kelly told me that.

I said, 'Hey, I'm not that old.'" But at 33, Davis' days in the highlight films probably are behind him.

"The best-case scenario for Eric would be the worst-case scenario for me," said Knight. "It would mean Kelly and (Curtis) Goodwin had failed."

"I know we're a better team if those guys come on and Eric complements them. I'm thinking of him as an extra outfielder."

Davis never regained the form he showed before lacerating a kidney trying to make a sliding catch for the Reds in the 1990 World Series. But Knight remembers him as he was in the 1980s.

"I thought he had a chance to be the best in the game," Knight said.

At times Davis was outstanding — he hit for power, stole bases and made spectacular catches — but he was always susceptible to injury. The kidney problem was the last straw.

"That set me back four years," Davis said.

"It got me into a lot of bad habits offensively. People kept telling me my hands were too low (at the plate), but I wasn't physically able to get my hands up."

"Nobody really looked at what was wrong with me. Everyone wanted to push what happened in the World Series to the side."

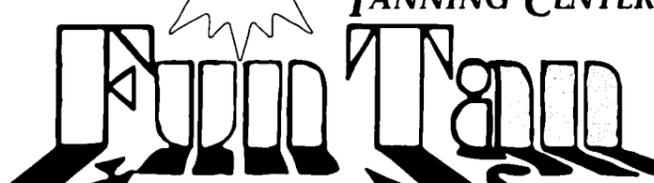
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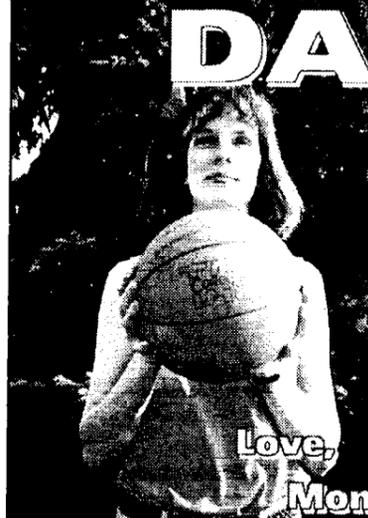
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■ NBA BASKETBALL

Injuries mar Cavaliers' victory

By ARNIE STAPLETON
Associated Press

MILWAUKEE
This wasn't the way the Cleveland Cavaliers wanted to show off their depth.

John Crotty played 19 points, helping the Cavaliers overcome the loss of their starting backcourt in 95-86 victory over the slumping Milwaukee Bucks Thursday night.

The Bucks lost their fifth consecutive game and 10th straight to the Cavaliers despite facing a backcourt of Crotty and Bob Sura after guards Bobby Phills (sprained leg) and All-Star Terrell Brandon (bruised tailbone) sustained frightening injuries in the first half.

Brandon briefly lost feeling in his extremities after a hard fall less than a minute after Phills sprained his left ankle and lower leg in the first period.

"Bobby is very, very sore. His leg is very, very sore and he is on crutches," Cavaliers coach Mike Fratello said. "I don't think this is something you can come back from in one day."

"Terrell landed on his back and lost sense and feeling in his arms and legs," Fratello said. "He got it back and tried to go, but he couldn't. I hope and pray they are both OK."

Fortunately for Fratello, his bench stepped up with 60 points, including 16 by Dan Majerle and 12 by Sura.

"We got a tremendous lift from guys off the bench. Sura, Crotty, Tyrone Hill, everybody, they kept us close in the first half so we could regroup," Fratello said.

Crotty, who replaced Brandon, hit 7-of-8 free throws in the final three minutes after the Bucks had cut Cleveland's lead to 75-73 with 5:09 left.

"He's been telling me he's a shooter," Fratello said. "He's a gym rat. Nobody works harder.

... The people in this locker room have great character and a tremendous sense of pride."

That's what's missing from the Bucks, coach Mike Dunleavy said.

"We came out and played a terrific first quarter. The second quarter was OK. The third quarter was terrible. Our team needs to come out with pride, individual pride," Dunleavy said.

Sura, who replaced Phills, hit a big 3-pointer to make it 78-73 with 4:50 left and the Cavaliers weren't threatened again.

"I knew with Bobby and Terrell being out, I had to seize the moment," Sura said. "Our bench is pretty strong, but I wouldn't want to make this a habit."

Phills and Brandon were injured in separate incidents in the first quarter and the game was stopped for about five minutes both times.

Phills, averaging 15.4 points, sprained his left ankle when he banged into Keys with just under two minutes left in the period. He was carried to the locker room by teammates Antonio Lang and Donny Marshall, and taken to St. Joseph's Hospital for X-rays, which were negative.

Doctors said the sprain was caused by his leg getting twisted.

Brandon, the Cavaliers' leading scorer with a 19.5 average, fell hard while going for a rebound less than a minute after Phills got hurt. He returned briefly in the second quarter but after two minutes, called timeout, handed a referee the basketball and gingerly walked off the court to the locker room.

"He wanted to get back out there right away," Fratello said. "But after running up and down the court a few times, he felt the numbness again."

The Cavaliers didn't say how long Brandon or Phills would be out.

Cleveland took control with an 11-2 run to open the third period for a 53-47 lead.

"We have to stop playing catchup ball," Robinson said. "It's all about concentration."

Notes: The Cavaliers went 10-2 in February ... Robinson, averaging 20.6 points, had just 2 points by halftime and finished with 13 ... Ferry and Baker tangled several times in the third period and Ferry picked up a technical after being whistled for an offensive foul ... The Bucks had played three previous times on Feb. 29, winning all three ... Milwaukee hasn't beaten the Cavaliers since Dec. 30, 1993 ... All-time, the Bucks hold a 77-47 lead in the series.

Pierce rallies Pacers over Golden State

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

The old guy can still score. Ricky Pierce, a 36-year-old veteran, scored 11 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter Thursday night, sparking Indiana to a 94-85 win over Golden State. The Pacers never trailed in winning their fifth straight.

"I feel fortunate we won," Indiana coach Larry Brown said. "I'm proud of this team. We've got a tired team, and a win like this is very important."

Pierce scored nine points in a 13-3 burst by the Pacers to start the fourth quarter.

"He's instant offense," said Indiana's Rik Smits. "He still knows how to score."

Most of Pierce's points came on the break in the fourth period.

"I just wanted to get out and run," Pierce said. "They

weren't getting back and I ran wide and got easy layups."

Mark Jackson led the Pacers with 18 points.

Antonio Davis added 17 points and 11 rebounds filling in for injured starter Dale Davis.

"Every time I get a chance to start, it's a good feeling," Antonio Davis said.

B.J. Armstrong scored 21 for Golden State and Joe Smith had 15 points and 11 rebounds.

"We made a couple of runs, but we couldn't get over the hump. We're trying to come together after making a trade," Warriors coach Rick Adelman said.

"We were right there for three quarters," Armstrong said. "Early in the fourth quarter, we made some substitutions. We came out and couldn't execute. Right now we need to bring these guys

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■ **THE GREAT TEN**

Cincinnati holds court against rival Memphis

Associated Press

The schools have a recent history of playing for conference championships. Cincinnati beat Memphis three consecutive years — 1992-94 — in the championship game of the Great Midwest Tournament. Memphis beat Cincinnati last season to clinch the Great Midwest regular-season title.

Like most of the others, this one went down to the final minutes, Burton's favorite time.

After his 3-pointer from the right wing put Cincinnati ahead 67-64, Michael Wilson's follow-up basket cut it to 67-66. Art Long hit one free throw for Cincinnati, and Damon Flint blocked Johnson's driving shot to preserve the lead.

Burton hit two free throws with 18 seconds left for a 69-66 lead, and Johnson's 3-pointer attempt hit the front of the rim. Fortson rebounded and hit one free throw with four seconds left.

Cincinnati outrebounded Memphis 46-27, a sign of the Tigers' front-line weakness. Fortson, a 6-foot-7, 260-pound power forward, roamed freely through the Tigers' injury-depleted front line. Memphis missed backup forward Chad Allen, who tore a knee ligament last Sunday in a 57-54 victory

over Louisville.

Cincinnati led by as many as 11 points in the first half and pushed its advantage to 40-27 when Fortson scored four points to open the second half.

But Memphis intensified its defense and rallied behind Wright, who became more aggressive despite the foul troubles. Wright scored six points in a 16-2 run that put Memphis ahead 47-46 with 13:06 left. Neither team could pull away after that.

Cincinnati coach Bob Huggins was uncharacteristically quiet on the bench, avoiding a technical foul for the first time in three games. Huggins had four technicals in the last five games and was ejected from the win over Tulane on Sunday.

The Cincinnati mascot wasn't so well-mannered. When Memphis returned to the floor at halftime to warm up, the costumed Bearcat mascot tried to break up the Tigers' shootaround so Cincinnati's dance team could perform a late routine.

Several Memphis players jokingly shoved the mascot at first, but Michael Wilson angrily kicked at it when it refused to leave. Memphis' coaches and the officials intervened, and the dance team left moments later when Cincinnati's players

returned to the floor.

No. 5 Purdue 67, Minnesota 61

Chad Austin scored 22 points, including four on free throws in the final 41 seconds, and No. 5 Purdue clinched at least a share of its third straight Big Ten title Thursday night with a 67-61 win over Minnesota.

The Boilermakers (24-4, 14-2) won their 10th straight game and have won 20 of their last 22 overall.

A win in one of its two remaining games or one loss by Penn State in its three remaining games would make Purdue the first school to capture three outright Big Ten conference championships since Ohio State in 1960-62.

Minnesota (15-12, 7-8) has lost 14 straight games at Mackey Arena and 22 of its last 23 at Purdue.

Todd Foster, who scored 10 points, made three 3-pointers in the first eight minutes of the second half to give Purdue a 44-34 lead. Minnesota, however, battled back to within 59-55 on two free throws by Sam Jacobson.

A free throw by Porter Roberts and two by Austin with 40.3 seconds remaining put Purdue up 62-55 before Jacobson, who had 18 points, made a 3-pointer with 30.7 seconds left to bring the Golden Gophers within 62-58.

Austin then made one free throw with 28.3 seconds left and Roberts put Purdue ahead 65-58 with 13.8 seconds to go with a pair of free throws.

Bobby Jackson's 3-pointer with 6.7 seconds left made it 65-61 and Roberts capped the scoring with two more free throws with 5.9 seconds remaining.

Minnesota shot only 35 percent from the field, including a horrendous 23 percent in the first half (7-of-30).

The Boilermakers struggled early, committing six turnovers and making only three of their first 15 shots in the first 11 minutes. However, Minnesota had its own troubles.

Minnesota opened an early 13-9 lead on a Jacobson 3-pointer but Purdue tied the game three times after that before moving ahead to stay 18-17 on two free throws by Herb Dove.

The Boilermakers went on to a 29-19 halftime lead by outscoring Minnesota 16-4 in the final six minutes of the half.

Justin Jennings made two free throws to start the spurt with 6:07 to go, tying the score at 15-15. A free throw by Foster, who finished with 10 points, gave Purdue a 16-15 edge with six minutes left and Dove's free throws with 4:42 remaining put the Boilermakers ahead to stay.

Jackson added 16 points for Minnesota.

No. 16 Virginia Tech 70, Xavier 61

In their final home game, Shawn Smith said Virginia Tech's four starting seniors finally remembered how they won 25 games and the NIT title last season.

"We just had to get back to playing good defense like we did

last year," Smith said after the 16th-ranked Hokies defeated Xavier 70-61 on Thursday.

Virginia Tech held Xavier to 35 percent shooting and 17 points below their scoring average while overcoming a sluggish start that let the visitors take a six-point lead in the first half.

"It would have been a terrible way to have gone out if we had lost on senior night," said Travis Jackson, who matched his career high with 17 points in his final home game. "The game actually felt a lot like last year."

Smith scored 14 points and Ace Custis had 13 points and 12 rebounds for the Hokies (21-4 overall, 12-3 in Atlantic 10).

"If I had to single out one guy who really stepped up tonight, it would be Travis," Virginia Tech coach Bill Foster said. "But all four seniors did a whale of a job. A perfect seniors' night."

In the last two minutes of the first half and the first 10 minutes of the second half, Jackson hit seven straight shots, scored 15 of Virginia Tech's 19 points and blocked two shots.

The Hokies fell behind 22-16 after going four minutes without scoring a point and seven minutes without a field goal.

But after making only four of their first 24 shots, the Hokies went on a 14-0 run to close the half and led 32-24 at the break. Virginia Tech then opened the second half by scoring five straight points and Xavier was unable to get any closer than 10 points until the final minute.

"Obviously, the defining point in the game came with five minutes in the first half," Xavier coach Skip Prosser said. "When you're playing on the road against a Top 20 team, it's very difficult to recover from a run like that."

The run not only helped the Hokies improve to 32-3 in final home games, it left Foster especially proud of his team.

"It was emotional on the bench tonight," Foster said of his first full recruiting class. "My goal was not to cry. I really love those kids and I have been through a lot with them. I'm sure there have been a few times I've gotten on them and they probably wanted to kick my rump, but that is what makes a family."

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BASEBALL

Irish look to keep momentum

By DYLAN BARMMER
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame baseball team travels to New Orleans this weekend, hoping to leave with three victories and something even more vital to the success of this team:

Consistency. The Big Easy will be anything but easy on the Irish this weekend, as the host Privateers have burst out of the gates with a 6-1 start, including four victories over ranked teams on the young season. Their early performance has earned them a #28 ranking in this week's issue of Collegiate Baseball.

"New Orleans has an outstanding ball club," commented Irish head coach Paul Mainieri, who played for the Privateers in the late seventies. "They're one of the best kept secrets in college baseball. They have an outstanding pitcher in Steve Stanson, and they're swinging the bat well."

Stanson, who will face off against Notre Dame's Christian Parker in the first game of this series on Friday, owns a 1-0 record and a 2.03 ERA this season, and has struck out 16 in 13

1/3 innings. The Privateers as a whole have compiled a 4.22 ERA to go along with a .315 batting average. At the plate, the Privateers will be led by outfielder Joe DiSalvo, who is batting .467 with a team-high 14 hits and 6 doubles, and first baseman Miguel Rivera, who is batting .310 with 2 homeruns and 8 RBI.

If the Irish are to achieve success against the Privateers this weekend, they will have to do something they have yet to do in the six games so far this weekend - establish consistency, both at the plate and on the mound.

In order to achieve this balance, Mainieri will toy with his starting lineup this weekend, moving freshman catcher Dan Wagner to the DH spot when captain Bob Lisanti is behind the plate. This move means that utility man and cleanup hitter George Restovich will have to move from DH to first base, and Mike Amrhein will have to make the shift from first to left field, Amrhein's natural position. Mainieri will also move right fielder Rowan Richards to the leadoff spot, and drop second baseman Randall Brooks into the number nine spot.

"We've had trouble scoring in the first inning," said Mainieri. "And we've also had trouble getting a lot of production out of the bottom of the order. I think these changes should help us solve these problems, and give us more power throughout the lineup."

The Irish will look for continued production from power brokers Restovich and Amrhein, who have emerged as early offensive leaders. Restovich is currently hitting .333 with a homerun and seven RBI, and Amrhein is batting at a .320 clip with five RBI and a team-high 17 total bases.

Mainieri is especially pleased with Amrhein's production at the plate so far this season, saying, "Mike Amrhein is a legitimate Division one power hitter. He's awesome at the plate. He's going to strike some fear into opposing teams with his bat, and I think he'll be the real force in our lineup batting third."

The Irish will also look for more consistency from their pitching staff, which has struggled early on and now possesses an ERA hovering around 6.00.

"Darin Schmalz was fantastic last weekend, and he did that for us last year when pitching in big games," commented Mainieri on the junior, who threw a complete game shutout against Navy last weekend. "What we need this weekend is for Christian Parker to become more consistent. He has shown some flashes of brilliance this season, but he needs to become more dependable. I also know Craig Allen is a fantastic pitcher, but he's struggled with his location so far this year. Once he gets into a rhythm and a groove, I think he'll be just fine."

Parker is 1-0 with a 3.38 ERA so far this season, and Allen is currently 0-2 with a 7.50 ERA and five walks in six innings.

Lacrosse

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this year. Five of their twelve opponents were ranked in last season's final poll.

The Irish waste no time by playing one of the top teams in the country this weekend. Loyola also ended last season by losing in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Tournament. They finished the year ranked seventh in the nation. They begin this year ranked one spot higher.

"Loyola is an outstanding team. They are also a well-

coached team. They are very competitive every year," stated Corrigan.

At the attacker position, seniors Brian Gilfillan and Kevin Mahoney and junior Will DeRiso are expected to lead the Irish. All three players are poised to play the best lacrosse of their careers.

Midfield leaders will include tri-captain Erickson, Burke Hayes, Jimmy Keenan, Greg Glenday, Mike Maroney, and the highly improved Tony Reid.

On defense, the Irish expect strong performances from tri-captain Bialous, Todd Rassas, and sophomore goalie Alex Cade.

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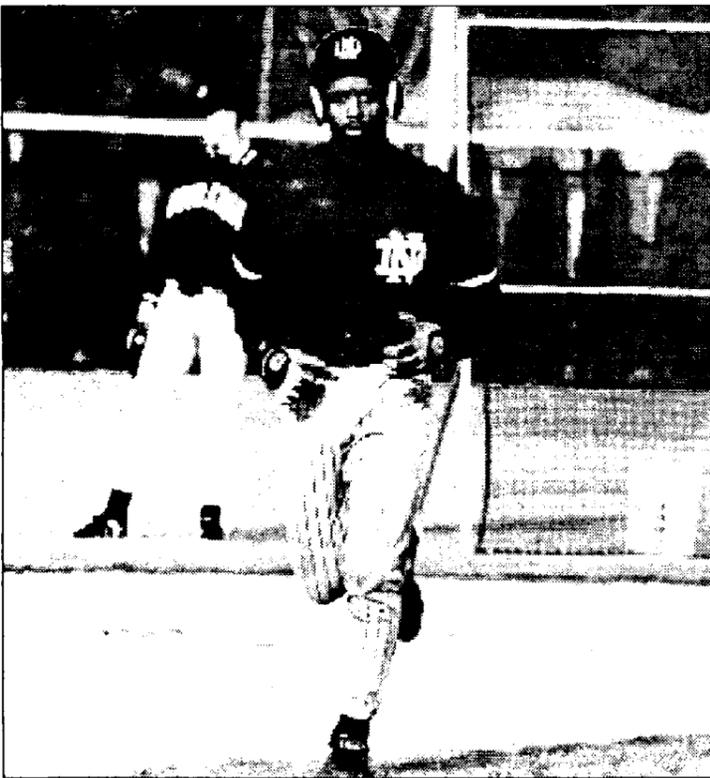
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ALL WELCOME

Irish softball to challenge nation's best

By MIKE DAY
Sports Writer

The rust has been knocked off, and the cobwebs have been shed. Now, it's time to get serious.

After struggling last weekend in the opening tournament of the season, the Notre Dame softball team is confident that they will be able to turn things around this weekend at the NSCA Leadoff Classic.

The Irish defeated Northwestern 1-0 in the season opener before they proceeded to lose to Arizona State (11-2), Wisconsin (10-9), and Indiana (2-1) in the following rounds of the Arizona State Tournament. Notre Dame hopes to rebound today against Princeton and Hawaii.

"We haven't had a lot of work outdoors because of the weather," said Irish head coach Liz Miller. "With the experience at Arizona last weekend, we should be ready to make the adjustment and play better at Georgia."

With 24 teams competing this weekend at Columbus, Georgia, the Irish will have to rely on their starting pitching to be successful against the nation's elite. Of the two dozen teams, 15 were ranked in the final 1995 USA Today Top 25 poll.

Senior Terri Kobata earned the staff's lone victory of the year last Friday against the Wildcats, allowing just four hits in seven shutout innings. Despite coming up on the losing end of a pitching duel, ju-

nior starter Joy Battersby also looked strong in a 2-1 loss to Indiana as she limited the Hoosiers to just four hits and one earned run in six innings.

Rounding out the starting rotation for Notre Dame is freshman Angela Bessolo. Despite allowing nine runs in six and two-third innings last weekend, the Irish believe that the newcomer will be the final piece of a solid rotation.

"We are confident with who we have on the pitching staff," said Miller. "Each girl gives her best and is capable of having a dominating performance each time she goes out."

As for the offense, Miller is hardly concerned about what should be one of the country's top hitting teams. Even in two of their three losses, the Irish out hit their opponent by a substantial margin.

Led by Jennifer Giampaico, Meghan Murray, Jenna Knudson, and Katie Marten, the Irish hit .306 as a team in their first four games of the season. Giampaico currently leads Notre Dame in batting average (.500), slugging percentage (.583), total bases (seven) and on base percentage (.571).

Knudson tops the squad with four runs batted in, while Murray heads into the weekend sporting a .455 batting average and a whopping .571 on base percentage.

"The girls have worked hard during the off season, and I think that will begin to show this weekend," said Miller.

SMC

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Yes, even the Saint Mary's tennis team often wakes up these days and thinks... "wow."

After finishing their 1995 spring season 9-13, with their two senior captains injured and remaining seven players caught dumbfounded in the crossfire, coach Katie Cromer looks proudly upon her team and their ranking this year.

"Everyone on the team this year is really team-oriented," she said. "They each understand the importance of their role. They realize that a point from our number six player is equally as important as a point from our number one player. And everyone is really supportive of each other, which makes my job easier."

Cromer and her team have been preparing for their season opener this weekend at Hope College. Although Hope is ranked 10th in the Midwest compared to the Belles' fourth, Cromer expect tough competition.

"Hope is one of our toughest matches of the year," she insisted. "The match will be a good test for us. They will show us what we need to work on before our spring break trip in Hilton Head."

In their last matchup, the Belles fell to Hope 8-1. Their number one player ranks 11th in the Midwest, while the Belles' number one, captain Kate Kozacik, ranks 20th.

But being ranked nationally does have its downsides.

"Our ranking is almost a pressure to us," sophomore Jen Brahler commented. "Now we

want to do even better. We've worked much harder since we found out (about the ranking). We want to prove to people that we are worthy of the rank."

In the fall, the Belles welcomed the return of juniors McArdle and Sorota who were out venturing other avenues last year. Both played on the team their freshman years, which they admit were very different from this year.

After readjusting to the team, McArdle has worked her way up from the number seven spot in the fall season to the number four singles spot.

"Ashley has made the biggest turnaround," her coach said. "She has the knowledge, and she has the skill level. She pushes the number five and six players up, which really helps our depth."

McArdle shares the number two doubles spot with teammate Brahler. Juniors Kozacik and Sorota lead the team in the number one doubles spot, and as the top two singles players as well.

"Our juniors really appreciate where they are on the team," Cromer said. "Most of them saw little playing time as freshmen, so they realize they have to fight to stay where they are. They've seen what can tear a team down, and what can build a team up."

Like Kozacik, the fourth eldest team member since Anne Underwood has played for the team each of her three years.

"This year is a little hard because we don't have any seniors," she explained.

"But Kate and I realize that as captains we have to lead the team. We will work to keep the team spirit up and keep everyone going."

The only downfall for the Belles' spring season is the loss of freshman Rachel Blanchard, the team's former number three singles and number one doubles player. But the Belles have had plenty of time to adjust in the last two months of practice.

"It was a tough loss," McArdle said. "But ideally it just messed up our doubles play. We have compensated. Because we have great depth and unity, we have been able to adjust and work with our new partners easily."

In January the Belles added four freshman to the team, Caroline Graham, Morey Graham, Courtney Wagner, and Betsy Gemmer.

"The freshman have really gelled well," Cromer said. "They have been able to adjust to the team and get to know the upperclassman."

The Belles receive their first chance to find out just how great change can be this Saturday at Hope College.

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Wed. 4/10	at Hillsdale College	3:00 p.m.
Sat. 4/13	at Wheaton College	1:00 p.m.
Thu. 4/19	at Midwest Invitational	tba
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record in the conference, they had to accept the #3 seed. This happened because they are in the same division of the Big East (Big East 6) with UConn. Thus, Providence, who finished with a 9-9 conference record, has the #2 seed.

The girls' plan for the weekend does not include trekking halfway across the country (to Connecticut of all places) just to make a good showing and then come home. They plan on going a little further, as in all the way.

"We're expecting to go up there and win the whole thing," said junior forward Beth Morgan, who led the Irish in scoring throughout the season with an average of 21.2 points per game.

These were not the words of a timid basketball player, but of someone completely confident in her team's ability to win every game they play at the University of Connecticut's Gampel Pavillion.

But what if one of those games happens to involve national powerhouse UConn, who finished 27-3 overall and 17-1 in the Big East this season?

Do the Irish not remember the two defeats handed to them this year by the Lady Huskies, 87-64 here and 86-79 at UConn?

Said Morgan, "If things go as expected, it should be us and them Tuesday night. We played well last time (we played the Huskies), and this would be a great opportunity, considering that we would be playing for the conference tournament. We'll win."

Pretty bold words, eh?

Wait a second, that would be Tuesday night, meaning that there must be games in between. In fact, the Irish would have to play two other games before even getting a chance at the Huskies in the championship game. They know that they must take it one step at a time if they are to be able to accomplish their ultimate goal of winning the Big East Championship.

Their first test pits them against the winner of the Syracuse/West Virginia game. The 'Cuse comes in as the #6 seed, while the Lady Mountaineers stand as the 11th seeded team in the tournament. Experience lends one to believe that Syracuse will be the Irish opponent on Sunday night. The game begins at 8 p.m.

The Notre Dame squad handled each of these teams with ease in their respective contests this season. On January 10, the Irish defeated the Orange(women) at home by an 80-51 margin. In that contest, Morgan fired in 32 points while Katryna Gaither grabbed 13 boards.

Last Monday, the Irish traveled to West Virginia and defeated the Lady Mountaineers by a score of 73-55. In this contest, Gaither had a double-double with 20 points and 14 rebounds.

Said Morgan, "We played really, really well against both those teams this year, but it means nothing now."

Despite these seemingly-easy victories, the Irish obviously acknowledge the fact that they

cannot take their success for granted, and they cannot underestimate their opponent, whoever it may be.

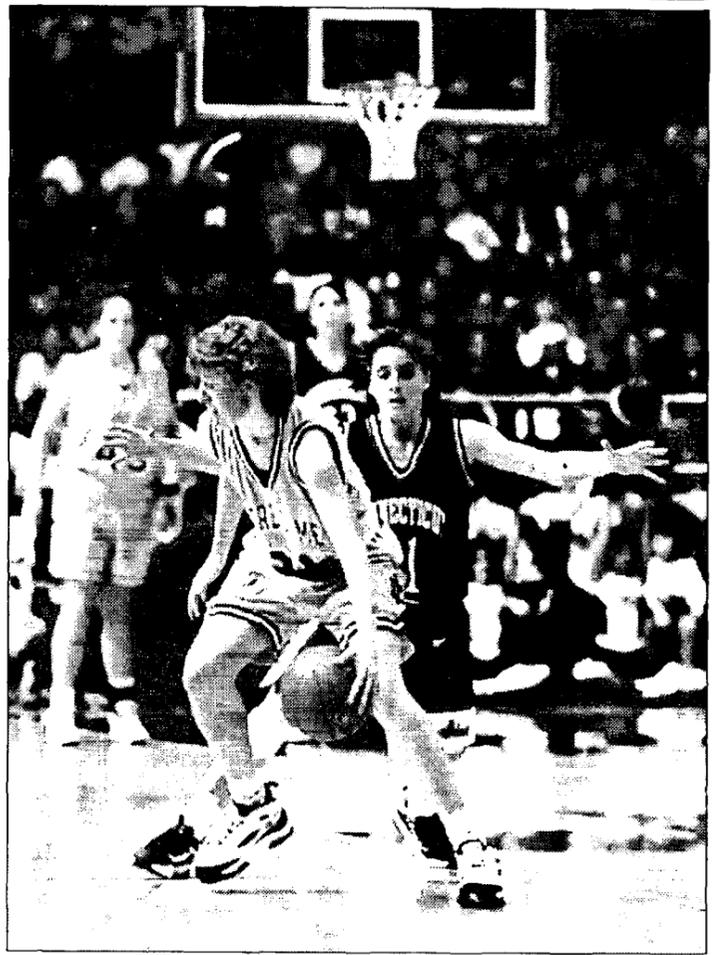
"The slate is clean for everybody now," declared Morgan. "We know that everybody will be gunning for us, so we've just got to play our game."

In order to prevent one of these upstart teams from gunning them down, the Irish must play with the intensity that has marked their play all year, especially since the Christmas break. In fact, since their January contest at Seton Hall, the Irish have won 14 of their last 17 games.

More importantly, they must execute every time down the court, and on both ends. The emphasis must be on the "Big D."

As hard as the coaches can try, it is the players who will be the ones to pull this thing off. Those that must continue stepping up as they have all year are Gaither, who finished with a 20 point per game scoring average, while pulling down a team-high 9.1 rebounds. Molly Peirick led the team with 5.6 assists per game, while Carey Poor put forth another solid effort with 9.1 points and 6.5 rebounds.

This is what they have wanted since Day 1, and now the Irish have a real chance to fulfill one of their greatest basketball wishes. They know what they have to do, and they know the obstacles in the way (namely UConn), but they are brewing with a confidence that could just take them all the way.



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Beth Morgan will have to have to have a big weekend offensively.

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Irish look to future in season finale against FSU

By MIKE DAY
Sports Writer

This is hardly the way they would have ever imagined going out.

The senior members of the Notre Dame hockey team will be playing their final game Saturday night at the Joyce Center, and there is virtually nothing at stake.

Indeed, pride is just about the only thing on the line in the season finale against Ferris State.

After taking part in the CCHA playoffs in each of their previous three years, Irish seniors will spend their final spring break at home thinking about last Saturday's back-breaking loss to Bowling Green and what might have been.

"It's frustrating not being in the playoffs in our senior season," said senior defenseman Jeremy Coe. "It's tough to believe that this will be our final game at Notre Dame. Still, it would be nice to go out with a win."

While Ferris State is no better than the Irish in terms of talent level, the Bulldogs were able to take care of business when they had to. Thus, they will be the

ones making post season plans, while the Irish think about what went wrong and how they can correct it.

"We obviously wish that our season went beyond this weekend, but we know that we put forth our best effort all season long," said junior center Tim Harberts.

"We were unable to beat the teams that we should have beaten, and we couldn't maintain much consistency all season long."

Despite struggling at the offensive end for much of the season, the FSU defense has made significant improvements over the course of the year. Sophomore Jeff Blashill has made himself into one of the league's better goal tenders after struggling through hard times a year ago.

If the Irish are to salvage their dignity and reach double digits in victories, they will have to depend on their freshmen. Three newcomers have emerged as the future of Notre Dame hockey team, and Brian Urick, Aniket Dhadphale, and Benoit Cotnoir hope to show that the future is now.

"We knew that we could contribute in Coach Poulin's system

from the beginning," said Urick. "It was just a matter of time and him showing faith in our play starting all the way back in the first day of practice."

While the aforementioned trio will be representing the Irish for years to come, seniors Chris

Bales, Brett Bruininks, Garry Gruber, Jay Matushak, Wade Salzman, Davide Dal Grande, and Coe will make their final appearance in a Notre Dame uniform.

"It is a day that I never thought would come," said

Gruber. "We've been together for four years, and we've seen this program through the good times and the bad times. It's disappointing that it had to end this way."

'Disappointing' doesn't begin to summarize it.

Fencers take stab at NCAA's

By WILLY BAUER
Sports Writer

After a long team season, Notre Dame fencers are now looking out for themselves as they participate in the NCAA qualifiers this weekend.

"There are some fencers who do better as individuals than in team competitions," said coach Yves Auriol. "It is a different competition. The fencers do not have to worry about the team and can concentrate on themselves."

Seventeen Irish fencers, eight women and nine men, will travel to Columbus, Ohio for the chance to extend their seasons a month longer. They will compete against fencers from the Midwestern Conference. Last weekend the Irish won the team championship in the MCC.

Each women's team will send four team members. Captain Claudette de Bruin, Anne Hoos, Ashley Shannon and Maria Thieneman will represent the epee team. de Bruin, Hoos and Shannon each had over 70 individual victories this season.

"Claudette and Anne Hoos have a good shot (at qualifying)," praised Auriol. "I'm expecting a good finish. Hoos has

been gaining her confidence lately and has been fencing well."

The women's foil team is headlined by captain Mindi Kalogera, and the freshman trio Sara Walsh, Myriah Brown and Nicole Mustilli. Brown and Walsh each tallied 80 victories over the season while Kalogera added 71 and Mustilli finished with 69. All four were among the major reasons the women's foil team was undefeated this season.

Three men from each weapon class will be accompanying their women teammates. Sabremen Bill Lester, Luke LaValle and Chris McQuade each will show off their individual skills. Lester has not lost a match since the February 4 match with University of Pennsylvania, a streak of 40 matches. McQuade also has been almost unstoppable as of late, boasting a 24 match win streak. LaValle finished his inaugural Irish fencing season with a 64-8 record.

The team that has given coaches Auriol and Mike Sullivan fits, epee, sends their best fencers; Brian Stone, Phillip Lee and Brice Dille. Dille led the epee team in victo-

ries with 50, with Stone, 46, and Lee, 45, close behind.

"Qualifying two from the epee team is a question," said Auriol about the chances of sending two epees to the NCAA's. "Brian Stone had a good tournament last year. It is less pressure fencing individually than for the team. The big question is the second man. Lee and Dille must fence like they don't have anything to lose."

Jeremy Siek, Paul Capobianco and Stephane Auriol will be the men's foil's representatives. Siek ended the season with a 66-6 record, and has only lose one match in his last 26. Capobianco was second on the team in victories with 50. Auriol won 33 matches this season, and saw more action as the season came to a close.

"This is the most important meet of the year," stressed Auriol. "It shows how much pressure they can take."

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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Depleted Irish face 'Cuse

Orangemen represent final challenge in inaugural Big East season

By TIM SEYMOUR
Associate Sports Editor

Having his whole team healthy and ready to play was becoming a bit too commonplace for Notre Dame coach John MacLeod. One knew that the stretch would not last.

Sure enough, the Irish locker room is again beginning to look like a hospital ward, as Notre Dame will travel to Syracuse for its final regular season game without 40% of its starting lineup.

Freshman center Phil Hickey has missed the last two games due to a thigh contusion and will not play against the Orangemen.

Compounding Notre Dame's problems, sophomore forward Derek Manner is listed as doubtful because of illness, and forward Pete Miller is out for the season with a separated shoulder.

Injuries have been a major cause of MacLeod's angst this season, as the team has dressed all its scholarship players in just two contests.

"When you take (Manner and Hickey) off the team, you lose a whole lot more than the stat sheet will indicate," said MacLeod. "Those players bring intangibles to the team."

The rest of the depleted Irish squad will have to step in and provide those intangibles if Notre Dame has any chance of defeating Syracuse in front of 25,000 rabid fans in the Carrier Dome.

The Orangemen (21-7, 11-6) have wrapped up the fourth seed in the conference tournament, and barring an Irish upset on Saturday, will be Notre Dame's first opponent in Madison Square Garden.

'Cuse is led by 6-9 power forward John Wallace, who has posted all-America numbers in his senior campaign. Wallace averages 22.3 points and 8.9 rebounds per contest, and is connecting on 43% of his three-pointers.

"At 6-9 Wallace can take his defender away from the basket and then put the ball on the floor and drive by him," said MacLeod. "If by him off he can step back and shoot the three. He's an exceptional player."

Wallace's supporting cast has performed better than expected this season. Syracuse is a tall team, with no starter shorter than 6-4, which creates an im-

posing front to the Orangemen's zone defense.

Point guard Lazarus Sims has been a surprise, leading the conference in assists, while center Otis Hill provides the inside muscle to complement Wallace.

In contrast, Notre Dams is small along its front-line, especially without Hickey and Manner. Freshman Gary Bell will make his second straight start, and classmate Antoni Wyche, a natural off-guard, will likely see more time at small forward.

Bell recorded his second double-digit scoring performance of the season against Miami, pouring in 10 points while grabbing six rebounds.

"With all the practice that Gary has missed, he gave a very good account of himself (against Miami)," said

MacLeod.

Notre Dame has had success in the Carrier Dome. The Irish resumed a series with Syracuse from 1988-92, with the road team winning each contest. Most recently, the MacLeod-led Irish stormed into the Dome in 1992 and scored the most points ever by a Syracuse opponent, edging the Orange 101-98.

Big East membership has started to reap benefits for Notre Dame on the recruiting front.

Derick Lalazarin, a 6-7 swingman from Tustin, Calif., is rumored to have verbally committed to play for the Irish.

Lalazarin, one of the highest scoring players in Orange County, was a teammate of current Irish point guard Doug Gottlieb.



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Junior point guard Admore White looks to "add more" production as the Irish travel to the Carrier Dome this weekend.

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Katryna Gaither and the Irish hope to have a third chance against Kara Wolters and UConn.

Big East Tourney offers glimmer of hope

By TIM MCCONN
Sports Writer

"Only the strong survive" sounds like a movie title. It is a statement that has almost reached the point of cliché. In the case of the Big East Post season Classic, it aptly applies.

That long-awaited weekend has finally arrived. After enduring a physical regular season in which they finished 20-6, with a 16-3 mark in conference play, the Notre Dame women's basketball team is ready to show what they are made of. They want the world to know

that Notre Dame women's basketball program is now a force to be reckoned with.

Expectations on the part of the Notre Dame team are sky-high as they get ready for their first ever appearance at the Big East Post season Tournament, which begins Saturday and lasts through the championship game on Tuesday night.

The opening game for Notre Dame will not be until Sunday, because they have a first-round bye. Despite finishing the regular season with the second-best

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1996 NCAA BIG EAST WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Round	Quarterfinals	Semifinals	Championship
March 2	March 3	March 4	March 5

- (1) Connecticut
- (8) Rutgers
- (9) Boston College
- (4) Miami
- (13) Pittsburgh
- (5) Villanova
- (12) St John's
- (6) Syracuse
- (11) West Virginia
- (3) Notre Dame
- (7) Seton Hall
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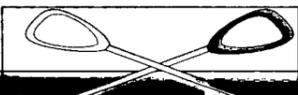


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Irish have tough act to follow

By TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

After losing seven starters and eleven letter winners, including two of the most talented players ever to compete



The Observer/Jake Peters

Burke Hayes is a key to the Irish in the midfield.

at Notre Dame, many observers might expect this to be a rebuilding year for the men's lacrosse team.

They would be wrong. The 1996 Irish team is the most highly touted squad in the history of the Notre Dame lacrosse program. The Irish are currently ranked 12th in preseason polls released by Face-Off Lacrosse and Lacrosse Magazine.

They will begin their march to the NCAA tournament when they face No. 6 Loyola this Saturday at the Loftus Sports Center. "I think we're coming around. There have been a lot changes since last season, but this team is forging its own identity," commented Irish head coach Kevin Corrigan.

Since losing senior All-Americans Mike Iorio and Randy Colley at the end of last season, Corrigan has emphasized the concept of "team" play more than ever. Although the Irish are made up of many talented players, the scoring and defensive responsibilities will be distributed more equally.

"We're not asking any one guy to step up and score 85 points like Randy did," Corrigan said. "We have to stop teams defensively. There's more than one way to skin a cat in that respect."

Sharing the duties as captains this season are a trio of fourth year Irish players. They are defenseman Todd Bialous, mid fielder Brian Erickson, and mid fielder Greg Glenday.

Notre Dame's ultimate goal this season will be to improve on its quarterfinal finish in the NCAA Championships last season. To earn a bid for the tournament, the Irish will play a very challenging schedule again

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SMC TENNIS

Great Expectations

By CAROLINE BLUM
Saint Mary's Sports Editor

Something seems different. Maybe it's the absence of their graduating seniors. Or the return of juniors Nancy Sorota and Ashley McArdle. A

healthy team? Or... a national (16th) ranking? An undefeated, 5-0 fall season record? The fact that they're ranked fourth in the Midwest?

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The Observer/Adam Andres

SMC junior Ashley McArdle will be expected to lead the highly Belles tennis squad.

See Irish Extra for a special four-page section devoted to the 66th annual Bengal Bouts

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Men's Tennis
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Women's Tennis
vs. Kansas State March 2, 10 a.m.

Baseball
at New Orleans March 1, 1 p.m.
SMC Tennis
vs. Hope March 2, 1 p.m.

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