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ND senior dies in COBA computer cluster

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
News Writer

Notre Dame senior Justin Brumbaugh suffered a fatal seizure at 3:20 p.m. Sunday in the College of Business Administration computer cluster.

Brumbaugh, a 21-year-old senior business major, was taken by paramedics to St. Joseph's Medical Center and pronounced dead at 4:30 p.m. He had no previous record of health problems and there was no indication of the involvement of alcohol or other drugs in the incident.



Brumbaugh

According to his group-project members with whom he was working on a group project, the tragedy took place on what appeared to be just another normal Sunday for Brumbaugh.

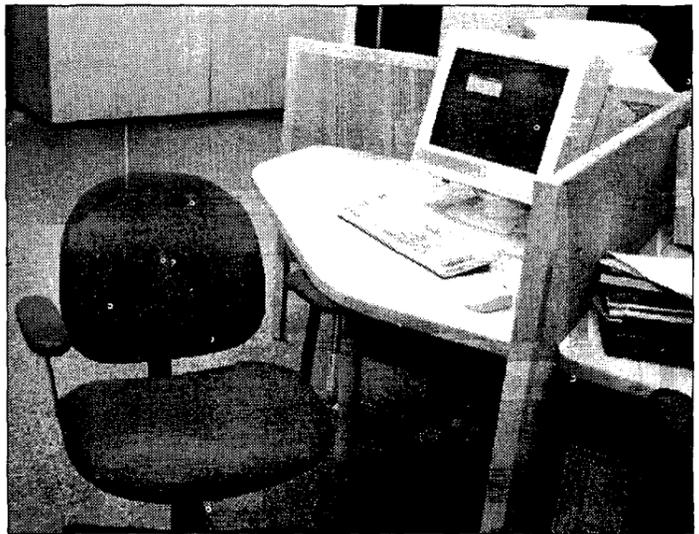
Jason Huggins, a senior management information systems major, Brenda Friel, a junior business major, and Rick Peplinski were working alongside Brumbaugh.

"We were working on a group project for our networks and telecommunications class and we met at 3 p.m. All of a sudden he leaned back in his chair and fell over," Huggins said. "We thought that he was joking like, 'I'm tired of this project and don't want to work on it anymore.'"

But it wasn't a joke. Brumbaugh then, according to Huggins, went into a mild seizure and Huggins asked one of the computer cluster attendants to call 911. In the meantime, Friel who was on the computer beside Brumbaugh, turned him on his side.

"He seemed to be having difficulty breathing and he was making the strangest sound," Friel said. "He was extremely clammy and his face went red."

Huggins and Friel continued to check his pulse as they waited for medical attendants to arrive. Huggins also checked Brumbaugh's wallet for any documenta-



Justin Brumbaugh was working on a group project in the COBA computer cluster prior to his death.

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Rita will serve no time in jail

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

John Rita, a Notre Dame law graduate will serve no jail time in connection with a car accident that killed Notre Dame freshman Mara Fox in 1993.

In St. Joseph County Superior Court Friday afternoon, Rita pleaded guilty to failure to perform the required duties after a fatal accident.

A jury acquitted Rita in 1994 of being directly involved in the death of Fox. But it was hung on the charge of leaving the scene of a fatal accident.

Judge William Albright sentenced Rita to a one-year suspended sentence, one year of probation, 40 hours of community service, and a \$1,000 fine.

During Rita's 40 hours of community service, the court suggested that he talk to kids about the dangers of drinking and driving.

Fox's mother, who was in town this weekend, said that she was not happy with the plea that St. Joseph County prosecutor Mike Barnes arranged.

Sister Kathleen Beatty, rector of Lyons Hall, agreed, commenting, "I understand his logic, but I don't agree with it."

No more Penny Pitchers ...



Notre Dame students held a vigil at Bridget McGuire's Filling Station Friday night. The students honored the memory of the local bar, which recently closed following a police raid on Jan. 31.

The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Students honor fallen classmate with service

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

Students from the "India — Semester Around the World" program, classmates and friends gathered together this weekend in Betsy Connelly's home to remember Ben Trigg, a senior from St. Edward's Hall who died in a car accident in November.

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"We got together and laughed a lot and talked," said Carrie Pfaff, a 1997 graduate of Notre Dame. "We all feel like he was a really important part of our trip. More than anyone else, he really loved us and thought of us as his family. He'll definitely be missed."

Trigg was found dead Dec. 19 at the scene of an earlier car accident.

In late November, Trigg's car ran off the road on a remote section of the Blue Ridge Parkway near his hometown of Whittier, N.C.

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AIDS Quilt evokes emotional response from students

By SARAH DYLAG
News Writer

The portion of the AIDS Memorial Quilt that visited the Stepan Center this weekend opened eyes, demanded attention, and illustrated the wide-spread effects of AIDS on people's lives.

"It's so easy to be isolated in our 18- to 20-year-old world," said Shannan Ball, a student volunteer working at the open

viewing of the quilt. "It's easy to turn your head when one person dies from AIDS. But you can't ignore this. You're confronted with it face-to-face. Here, you can't take your eyes off of it."

"It's interesting to see and very powerful," said Becca Roedersheimer, a Notre Dame student.

Other students agreed. "There's something very powerful about standing face-to-face with pieces of people's lives. Seeing the personal touches from suffering family members forces one to recog-

nize that the panels of the quilt represent people with families and friends who miss them," said junior Leslie Potter.

"The personal touches, poems, and statements from family members are the most touching," explained Claire Boyle.

"I think the ones [patches] with the pictures are the most powerful," added Lisa Zimmer. "Looking, you think, these people had lives too. This person liked doing stuff that I like to do."

The panels, which were unfolded at Friday's opening

ceremonies, commemorate the lives of people who have died from AIDS. Each panel, like each person, is unique to the individual who struggled with the disease and to the people they left behind. For the people who see the quilt, this uniqueness is often the most striking aspect of the panels.

"Seeing the panels, you're overcome with emotion," explained Rosanna Ventrone, an AIDS quilt committee member. "Some make you cry. Some make you laugh. Every panel makes you feel something."

Erin Emmons, the committee

chairperson, agreed.

"Looking at the panels, you get a glimpse of the person's life. And it's also a hallmark of the relationship between the people who made the panels and the person who died."

The quilt was displayed as part of AIDS Awareness Week, an effort to educate people about AIDS and the indiscriminate impact of the disease.

"It strikes everybody," explained Ball. "You look and you see a panel of a 10-year-old girl next to a 19-year-old

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INSIDE COLUMN

A Rainbow of Colors

Over the last week, I have been quite preoccupied. My mind, although consumed with the seemingly endless reading assignments piled on by my professors, has been cluttered with thoughts of a different color.



Anne Hosinski
Wire Editor

These thoughts that I have been toiling over are not problems inherent to the Notre Dame community. They are not grievances I have against society or life in general. I am not worried by the reality of my lack of summer employment facing me, well not at the present moment. I am preoccupied by something quite different, something that holds a special place in my heart and mind.

The event of which I am speaking is Notre Dame Encounter #49, the retreat that I attended as a team member. The NDE retreat is a three-day retreat sponsored by Campus Ministry that allows students to grow within their relationship with Christ. There are five NDEs a year, and 56 lucky students are randomly accepted from the plethora of applications received by Campus Ministry.

I have been so lucky to be a part of two of these retreats, first my freshman year as a participant, and just recently as a team member. Through this simple weekend, I have gained something that I will never be able to shake from my brain ... no matter how hard I tried.

One weekend. Three days. These experiences have taught me that life is truly about the perspective to which you approach it, not the grievances you have with it. I have been angry. I have been persecuted. I have been lonely. But a fellowship of 80 or so people has made me take a good, long look at myself and realign my perspective of many things in my life.

At the beginning of this weekend, we were 80 people that could have easily been in the same freshman general chemistry class, or have frequented Bridget's (or some other local establishment) on the same night. However, we were all assembled at the retreat for a common purpose — we were there to give of ourselves, learn from each other and realize our own personal spirituality and relationship with God.

Through our experience, all 80 of us brought forth our own internal color of personality, spirituality and hope. Whether it be red, orange or green; be it purple, yellow or blue, all of the participants and team of NDE #49 grew spiritually, enthusiastically, personally and communally.

If you have been on NDE, congratulations, please continue to live with the spirit of the weekend. If you haven't been on NDE, I implore you to go over to the Campus Ministry office in the library and pick up an application. If you think that all that I am writing is completely inane, call me and I will get an application for you.

I cannot guarantee to everyone that NDE will be as fantastic of an experience as it was for me, but I can tell you that at the very least the weekend will make you think about yourself, your life and your perspective on everything. It will teach you that your life is a matter or how you live it, your attitude and your inherent values. I promise. Just go. Allow yourself to be pushed.

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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Penn State professor plans third marijuana protest

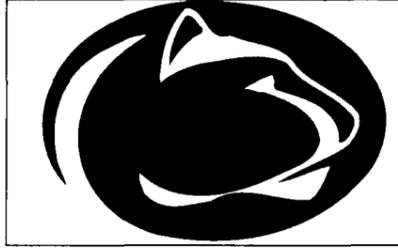
STATE COLLEGE, Penn. During the third of his now-weekly "joint" smoking protests, professor emeritus Julian Hecklen said yesterday he will try something new next week to get his point across.

"We'll meet across the street next week to see what the State College (police department) will do," Hecklen said, adding that meeting there would put the protest out of jurisdiction of University Police Services and into the jurisdiction of State College police.

State College police would not comment on their specific course of action for next week's protest.

"We would enforce the law fairly if there's a violation," said Sgt. John Wilson of State College police.

For the past few weeks, Hecklen has smoked a "joint" of what he claims is marijuana in front of University Gates in an attempt to get arrested and nullify the state's anti-marijuana laws.



University police officers were present at the protest from the beginning, and as Hecklen lit the "joint," the police asked him to hand over his cigarette. Hecklen ignored the officers.

University police officers acted very politely, Hecklen said, adding that he thinks their manners are a result of the complaint he filed with the district attorney.

Hecklen said that during last week's protest the University police "stole" his cigarette, so he filed a

complaint against the officers involved.

"The officer was seizing what he believed to be evidence," said Director of University Police Services Thomas Harmon. "If it is marijuana, it is subject to be taken by police."

Initial test results showed that the "joint" did not contain marijuana, University police said. University police are still awaiting state crime lab test results.

However, this time, the officers did not confiscate the cigarette.

"We did not take the cigarette. Hecklen refused to give it up, and we didn't want to cause confrontation," said Clifford Lutz, university police supervisor.

Hecklen said he was surprised he has not been arrested yet.

"I have no idea what the State College police will do. We know what the campus police will do," Hecklen said.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

State legislature cuts college funding

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.

State legislators are not following a statute that recommends the amount of funding to the university, forcing administrators to put a higher tuition burden on students. The statute states that the Legislature "intends" to pay for 67 percent of students' instructional costs, leaving the student burden at 33 percent. However, the average university student paid 43 percent of their instructional costs this year, according to university officials. Most attribute the problem to the Legislature not appropriating enough money to the university and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. "The numbers that we get from the state don't reflect that policy. By and large, it is a meaningless statute from my perspective," said Richard Pfitzenreuter, associate vice president for budget and finance. The state provided \$543 million for the University this fiscal year. But not all of this state funding is used for instructional costs. Some of it goes to individual programs and University projects. In the end, about \$280 million goes toward instructional costs.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Center assists migrant workers

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

Two Latina women walked through the door of El Centro por los Trabajadores. Neither of them spoke English. They sat and waited until Hugh Phillips, spoker of El Centro, asked what they needed. The older woman explained that her daughter was pregnant and needed a doctor. Phillips instructed them in Spanish to a clinic in Champaign and he would send an interpreter there to help them. "That's the kind of thing we do here all the time." El Centro is an organization that is unique because it serves all migrant workers. Phillips and the 100 volunteers who help him on a regular basis provide various services to non-English speaking Latinos. Literacy skills, legal assistance, public health education and access, as well as job development and community building to counter social isolation are included in the services that El Centro provides for the Latino community.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Asian economic crisis affects students

STANFORD, Calif.

The Financial Aids Office has begun to feel the impact of the recent southeast Asian financial crisis as international students affected by the disaster approach the office for help. Many of these students have been receiving financial aid from their home governments. But as these governments now struggle with economic turmoil and currency devaluations, their student financial assistance programs may be some of the first to suffer cuts. This has forced Asian international students to look elsewhere for answers. "I'm not sure what the university can do to help these students," said electrical engineering student Hae-chang Lee. Dean of undergraduate admissions and financial aid Robert Kinnally encouraged students affected by the crisis to approach his office. "Any student concerned should go right there, even if they are not currently receiving financial aid," he said. He recommended that graduate students first contact their departments of study, which often handle graduate aid.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY

Court finds lab acted 'inappropriately'

BERKELEY, Calif.

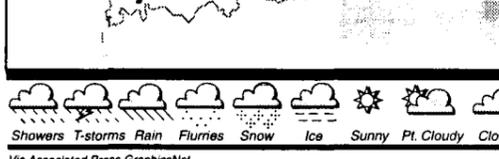
A federal appeals court unanimously ruled Tuesday that Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory acted inappropriately when it conducted genetic tests on its employees without asking permission for 30 years. Last summer, seven LBNL employees charged the laboratory with using blood and urine samples to test for syphilis, pregnancy and sickle-cell anemia without their knowledge. But the UC-owned, Department of Energy-run laboratory said the tests were for the employees' own health and maintenance. "We test them to identify conditions that may limit or restrict their ability to do the job for which they were hired," said LBNL spokesperson Ron Kolb. "There's no unusual or sinister reason for what we did." Some plaintiffs in the case allege that LBNL's testing methods were racially biased — a claim the laboratory denies fully.

SOUTH BEND WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast

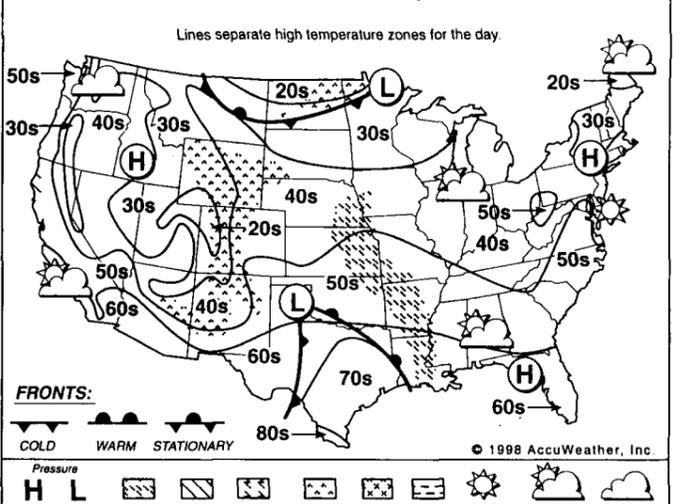
AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

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Monday	45	32
Tuesday	44	33
Wednesday	41	29
Thursday	42	32
Friday	42	32



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The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, Feb. 9.



City	High	Low	City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Atlanta	51	35	Dallas	68	47	Miami	70	47
Baltimore	48	28	Denver	47	28	New York	44	30
Baton Rouge	65	44	Honolulu	80	60	Phoenix	62	41
Chicago	45	32	Indianapolis	46	25	St. Louis	52	32
Columbus	44	22	Los Angeles	58	43	Wash. D.C.	45	28

“I’m a mom just like your mom. And my son was a kid, just like you. But because of a misunderstood disease called AIDS, our lives would never be the same.”

*Jeanne White-Ginder
Ryan White’s mom*



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Part of the AIDS Memorial quilt was on display in the Stepan Center over the weekend. There was an open viewing of the quilt on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

‘IT STRIKES EVERYBODY. YOU LOOK AND YOU SEE A PANEL OF A 10-YEAR-OLD GIRL NEXT TO A 19-YEAR-OLD BOY, NEXT TO A 30-YEAR-OLD MAN.’

*SHANNAN BALL
STUDENT VOLUNTEER*

‘SEEING THE PANELS, YOU’RE OVERCOME WITH EMOTION ... SOME MAKE YOU CRY. SOME MAKE YOU LAUGH. EVERY PANEL MAKES YOU FEEL SOMETHING DIFFERENT. EACH TELLS A DIFFERENT STORY.’

*ROSANNA VENTRONE
AIDS QUILT COMMITTEE MEMBER*



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Two people join hands as a symbol of unity. Unity and love were two emotions represented in the many panels of the AIDS Memorial Quilt.

‘IT’S SO EASY TO BE ISOLATED IN OUR 18 -TO 20-YEAR-OLD WORLD. IT’S EASY TO TURN YOUR HEAD WHEN ONE PERSON DIES FROM AIDS. BUT YOU CANNOT IGNORE THIS. YOU’RE CONFRONTED WITH IT FACE TO FACE. HERE, YOU CAN’T TAKE YOUR EYES OFF OF IT.’

*SHANNAN BALL
STUDENT VOLUNTEER*



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Panels of the AIDS quilt comerate those who lost their lives to the disease.

‘LOOKING AT THE PANELS, YOU GET A GLIMPSE OF THE PERSON’S LIFE. AND IT’S ALSO A HALLMARK OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLE WHO MADE THE PANELS AND THE PERSON WHO DIED.’

*ERIN EMMONS
AIDS QUILT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON*

Women’s issues discussed at Saint Mary’s seminar

By P. COLLEEN NUGENT
Associate Saint Mary’s News Editor

This past weekend, the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Saint Mary’s College sponsored a forum focusing on contemporary women’s issues.

The event was attended by Saint Mary’s president Marilou Eldred, as well as many SMC alumnae, students and faculty from neighboring schools.

Differences between male and female relationships was a main subject discussed by the group. The existence of these stereotypes was referred to repeatedly throughout the day.

“Being a female, you always end up taking care of someone else,” junior Melanie Smith stated in response to Eldred’s comments on the issue of women in the workplace.

According to Eldred, all people need to challenge the idea of what it means to be a true leader. “Male or female, we are all capable of holding a position of power,” she said.

Educational institutions deal with the issues of diversity



The Observer/Manuela Hernandez

Saint Mary’s College President Marilou Eldred spoke about contemporary women’s issues this weekend at diversity seminar held on Saint Mary’s campus.

on a daily basis. Understanding adversity and challenge have become the keys to discovering the possibilities for success, regardless of one’s gender. Success and survival is possible beyond the walls of a classroom, and women are challenging the effects of this daily, Eldred told her audience.

“In order to get anywhere in society,” stated Eldred, “one needs to take a chance, get their priorities straight and make changes necessary to get ahead in the game.”

Responsibility, flexibility, honesty and persistence were factors that were taken into account by the discussion group when talking about what characteristics the typical leader should possess.

Others went on to discuss that a leader knows what they want to accomplish.

“It is more like a process, because you know what matters. A true leader sticks with his or her plans,” NAACP representative Josie White said.

Sophomore Debbie Klein stated, “I’ve attended a lot of national conferences in high school, and so far this has been the most informative conference I’ve ever attended.”

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boy, next to a 30-year old man."

The panels, with their writ-

ten messages and notes, also offer insight into how AIDS affects the family members and friends of the people infected with it.

"It brought home how much pain the disease causes, but also how much love is there,"

said Ball.

Throughout the weekend, committee members read aloud the names of the people represented in the panels. They also showed informational videos about the quilt and the disease itself. Quilt moni-

tors were available to answer questions and offer emotional support.

"It's an awe-inspiring experience," said Ball.

"It has a greater impact on people than they think it will. In person, it affects you a lot

more," explained Ventrone. "This is an incredible gift that we've brought to campus."

Emmons estimated that more than 1,000 people visited the Stepan Center this past weekend to see the quilt.

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tion of medical conditions or ailments.

"While we were waiting for the medical attendants to arrive, we tried to make sure he was still talking. He seemed to drift off so we just kept talking to him and reassuring him that everything would be all right," Friel said.

As they waited, Huggins said that he and his lab partner started to say prayers.

Computer cluster attendant Marcie Sandleben, who was working when the incident occurred said, "I called 911, but by the time the attendants arrived and tried to start CPR, it wasn't working. Then they took out the paddles but I could tell it wasn't working."

Sandleben and the other attendant cleared students out of the lab and tried to keep everyone calm. In addition, they called the infirmary to have Brumbaugh's chart pulled to see whether he had any medical conditions.

Father Oliver Williams was brought to the scene to perform the anointing of the sick on Brumbaugh.

"Everybody did a great job. You go to work everyday and you never think something like this will happen," Sandleben said.

Huggins and Friel left the lab when the attendants came in to work on Brumbaugh. Upon leaving, Huggins said, "He [Brumbaugh] seemed to be fine.

"I left because I wasn't going to do anymore work at that point and I found out at dinner time that he didn't make it," Huggins said. "I left the lab and I thought he would make it."

A Knott hall resident from the Chicago suburb of Bolingbrook, Ill., Brumbaugh was an only child, a member of the Notre Dame Marching

Band and seemed well-liked by all who knew him.

"He was the kind of person other people would go to as a good friend," said Brother Jerome Meyer, rector of Knott Hall, where Brumbaugh lived.

"People went to him for help or help with their studies. He was very athletic and played sports in the hall," said Meyer. "I would say he was a very well liked and likable young man.

"He was always very friendly, out-going and level-headed. He had an air of industriousness about himself, but he also had a great deal of concern for others also."

David Stocker, Brumbaugh's RA, shared his thoughts on his former floor resident whom he had known all year.

"I'm still a little in shock," Stocker said. "Justin was an incredible person. He was an outgoing guy and as a person, he was great. He was one of my good friends in the section."

According to Stocker, Brumbaugh also had a love for music.

"One of my fondest memories of him is that he would always be singing 80s songs in the hallway. I think he fantasized about being a rock singer," Stocker said.

Last night as Knott hall residents learned of the tragedy, the residents and hall staff banded together to provide support for one another. At Knott's weekly hall liturgy, thoughts were geared toward Brumbaugh. In addition, Meyer said that RAs and other residence hall staff members would be available to meet for one-on-one discussions or in small groups.

"The hall is in a state of shock," Meyer said. "The unity that we have developed over the year has helped tonight though. There are people in the corridors just talking and supporting each other."

Fund offers hope to seniors looking for jobs

Special to The Observer

The Fund for Public Interest Research, a non-partisan, non-profit grassroots environmental campaign network, will visit campus this week to interview graduating seniors who are interested in working on environmental and public interest issues.

Vivien Watts will be giving informational sessions at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in 201 DeBartolo Hall and at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the lounge of the Center for Social Concerns.

Individual interviews will be held Wednesday at the Office of Career and Placement and Thursday at the CSC. Students can sign up for interviews at the information sessions or by leaving a message for Watts.

Watts will be interviewing seniors for canvass director job. The position includes managing a staff of 10 to 15 activists, attracting media attention and lobbying elected officials.

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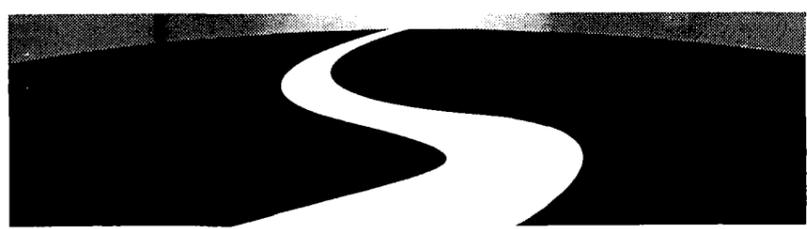
"We found out on December 20 when we got a call from Mr. Trigg," said Anand Pullapilly, another classmate of Trigg's, whose father, Cyriac Pullapilly, is the director of the India program. "There were only four of us that could actually go down to the funeral. So all of us did not have a chance to say good-bye."

According to the friends present at the memorial on Saturday, it was a chance to do just that.

"We were a tight group," said Connelly. "But it is difficult to get everyone together. We tried to get everybody together at my house. People read things that they had written. It was very emotional."

Anand Pullapilly is planning another memorial service on Sunday, Feb. 22 in the St. Edward's chapel.

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Monday & Tuesday, February 9-10, 4:00 pm
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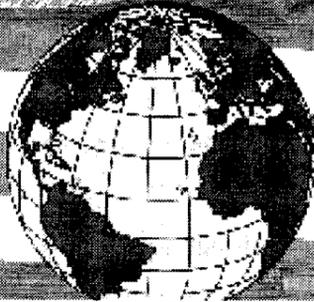
Welcome to our gay and lesbian students

Campus Ministry welcomes any gay or lesbian undergraduates, or those discerning their sexual orientation, to come together for conversation, support and friendship. Call Kate Barrett @ 631-5242 or Alyssa at 634-1884. All conversations are completely confidential.

University Village Volunteers Needed:

Two student volunteers to assist at University Village, the Married Student Housing, in a "Parents' Time-Out" program that meets on Wednesdays from 9:00 am.-11:30 am. This ministry would entail working with two mother's to plan activities for children ages 1-4 and assist in general child supervision. Please call John or Sylvia Dillon @ 1-5242.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Balloonists return after record-breaking flight

GENEVA

Hundreds of people cheered, clapped and waved flags at Geneva's airport Sunday, welcoming home three European balloonists who broke two time records in an unsuccessful attempt to circle the globe. Swiss pilot Bertrand Piccard, Belgian pilot Wim Verstraeten and British flight engineer Andy Elson flew back from Rangoon, Burma, where their Breitling Orbiter 2 balloon landed in a rice paddy early Saturday. During its flight, the balloon broke the records for the unrefueled flight by any aircraft and the longest time spent in the air by a balloon. A bid to be the first to circle the globe was abandoned when China balked at allowing the balloon into its airspace. The crew spent nine days, 17 hours and 55 minutes after taking off from the Swiss mountain village of Chateau d'Oex on Jan. 28. They covered 5,258 miles; the record is 10,000 miles, held by American Steve Fossett. Piccard was regretful but philosophical about China's initial refusal to grant the balloon entry to its airspace, which caused the balloon to miss the jet-stream winds needed to propel it across the Pacific.

Flight crew apologizes to Italy following ski accident

TRENTO, Italy

The four crew members of the Marine jet that brought down a cable car loaded with skiers expressed sympathy Sunday to friends and relatives of the 20 victims, and said they would never deliberately jeopardize lives. "What occurred on Feb. 3 was a tragedy," the statement released by the men's lawyer said. "We cherish life and take our jobs very seriously. We would never do anything to purposely endanger the lives of others. We all share in your tremendous loss." The message carried the signatures of the pilot, Capt. Richard Ashby, 30, of Mission Viejo, Calif., and Capt. Joseph Schweitzer, 30, of Westbury, N.Y.; William Raney II, 26, of Englewood, Colo., and Chandler Seagraves, 28, of Nineveh, Ind. A U.S.-Italian inquiry is under way to determine why the jet swept so low over an Alpine ski resort Tuesday, slicing a cable and sending the gondola crashing into the slopes of Mount Cermis, killing all 20 people aboard. The U.S. military has acknowledged the plane was well below the approved altitude of 500 feet. The crew members, assigned to the Air Force base in Aviano, northeast Italy, have been grounded during the investigation. They have refused to talk to Italian investigators.



Possible U.S. strike to punish Saddam

Republicans want Hussein driven from power

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright promised Sunday that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein will be punished severely if the United States decides to use military force to enforce U.N. resolutions.

Republican leaders contended that's not enough — the ultimate goal, they said, is to drive Saddam from power.

Albright repeated that Saddam has only weeks to accede to a diplomatic solution to avoid a U.S.-led attack. Bill Richardson, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, rejected the latest Iraqi offer to avoid it, a two-month window for U.N. officials to inspect Saddam's presidential palaces for concealed weapons.

Albright, speaking on CBS' "Face the Nation," said any military action against Iraq for interfering with U.N. weapons inspectors would be a "substantial strike" aimed at diminishing Saddam's ability to rebuild weapons of mass destruction and threaten his neighbors.

Defense Secretary William Cohen arrived Sunday in Saudi Arabia to discuss the Iraq question and said the United States had enough firepower in the region to carry out strikes without using U.S. bases in Saudi Arabia. Saudi leaders have been reported opposing the use of force against Iraq and has been reluctant to allow military missions to originate from Saudi soil.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., speaking after Albright on CBS, said there are worries in Congress that the administration lacks an effective endgame, which would include removing Saddam.

Lott suggested support for democratic forces in Iraq as a way to do it, or setting up a Radio Free Iraq or expanding the U.N.-ordered flight-interdiction zone over Iraq. "I'm not talking about assassination, but I'm talking about a coherent long-term policy," Lott said.

Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., chairman of the Senate intelligence committee, said on "Fox News Sunday" that he would support military action against Iraq but added: "Ultimately, though, we're going to have to face up to the fact we're going to have to get rid of him, one way or the other."

"We would obviously," Albright said, "look forward to dealing with a different Iraqi regime, but we have to be very clear about what we



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Palestinian demonstrators carrying Iraqi flags march in a show of solidarity with the Iraqi people against a threatened U.S. military strike Saturday in the West Bank town of Bethlehem. Eight Palestinians, including two police officers, and two Israeli soldiers were slightly injured when the demonstration turned violent.

are after."

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., said on Fox that taking out Saddam is "not a doable policy and ... would require significant numbers of ground forces that I don't think Congress would support."

The Republican-controlled Congress has been working on a statement of support for administration policy toward Iraq but has failed to agree on what it should say.

Former Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, commander of the coalition forces that decisively beat Iraq in the 1991 Persian Gulf War, said on NBC's "Meet the Press" that removing Saddam would be a "very, very tough thing to do" without better intelligence and a willingness to use ground forces.

But he warned of a risk that, just as in the bombing of North Vietnam during the Vietnam War, punishing Iraq with air strikes without eliminating Iraq's rulers would only toughen their resolve.

Iraq's U.N. ambassador, Nizar Hamdoon, said on CNN's "Late Edition" that a "good chance" remains of averting a military showdown.

Israel issues gas masks to protect against possible attack

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War with Iraq is unlikely, but just to be safe, get a gas mask. That's the Israeli government's advice, and thousands of Israelis are heeding it daily, flocking to gas-mask distribution centers to pick up their free protective kits.

But things get a little complicated if you're in Israel as a tourist. Or a foreign worker. Or a Palestinian living in Israeli-controlled territory. Or even a religious Jewish man whose long beard makes it impossible to use an ordinary mask.

After some initial hemming and hawing — and pointed reports in the Israeli press about gas-mask haves and have-nots — Israeli officials are taking the position that in principle, everyone in Israel should be able to get protective gear.

Last week, the attorney general, in consultation with the defense establishment, decided that Israel has the responsibility to provide gas masks to "the entire population residing in the country."

But the government hasn't decided when and how that would happen. As of Sunday, only Israeli citizens were being issued masks at army distribution centers.

Many foreigners, meanwhile, are growing increasingly nervous. A small group of African workers gathered Sunday outside the Defense Ministry in Tel Aviv to plead for the right to get protective gear now.

"We are afraid that when we eventually receive the masks, there will be no time to learn how to put them on," said Mohammed Mansaray, a 31-year-old house cleaner from Sierra Leone. "In an emergency, there is panic."

Asked when non-citizens could get masks, one woman taking calls on the army's public-information "Homefront" line replied jokingly: "Don't worry — it'll be before the bombs fall."

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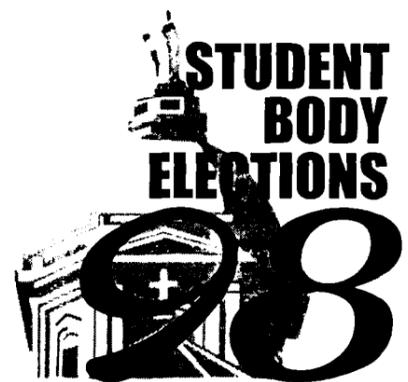

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SMC students share ideas on friendship

By ERIKA WITTORF
News Writer

Thomas Aquinas' views on friendship were shared Saturday at Saint Mary's College by alumna Janet Kelley and Holly Arends, a junior double major in philosophy and religious studies.

The pair emphasized the need to develop a friendship with God before other people. The lecture was a guided exploration of friendship, including an open discussion at the conclusion of the lecture.

A declared patron of Catholic higher education, Thomas Aquinas was born in the early 13th century. He wrote numerous volumes of Catholic doctrine that have become classical texts in western thought.

Arends and Kelley tried to apply Aquinas' views to practical situations in their lecture

"Thomas on Friendship."

"We are all called to be friends of God," said Kelley. "If we seek to be happy in friendship, we must seek to be happy with God."

The presenters went on to declare Aquinas' view that after people have developed their friendship with God, they are better prepared to develop friendships with their fellow men. Benevolence, mutuality and oneness in each other are, according to Aquinas, the steps one takes to develop deep and meaningful friendships.

Kelley explained that benevolence is not mere well-wishing, it is acting for someone's good. This ultimately functions as the heart of true friendship.

Mutuality is necessary because one cannot force relationships with other people. They explained that friendships are a desire on both individuals parts.

After people have established mutuality, friends become another self for one another.

"When friends become another self for one another, they call to mind if they would be the same if they did not know the other person," said Kelley.

Arends and Kelley gave an example of the trinitarian friendship.

"The trinitarian relationship is perfect," said Arends. She added that the relationship between the Father and the Son are relatively easy to conceptualize. The role of the Holy Spirit is more difficult to conceptualize. It is the intermediary between the Father and the Son. Their friendship is benevolent, mutual, and finally, they have reached the point of oneness, she said.

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Dale Bauer, Professor of English and recent Chair of the Women's Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will give a lecture on Monday, February 9, at 7:00 in the Center for Continuing Education, Room 210-214, West Lounge. The title of her talk is "Indecent Proposals: Teaching's Public Image." Professor Bauer is the author of Edith Wharton's Brave New Politics (University of Wisconsin Press, 1994) and Feminist Dialogics: A Theory of Failed Community (SUNY Press, 1988). She is also the co-editor of Feminism, Bakhtin, and the Dialogic (SUNY Press, 1991).

■ JEDI MIND TRICKS

Clinton Administration Hurting U.S.

Through the constant headlines and updates in every media outlet, President Clinton continues to cry: "I

just want to get back to doing the business of the American people." While I am captivated by his weasel-like maneuvering in the adulterous scandal involving the then 21-year-old intern, a reasonable examination

Kevin Patrick

of his current proposals "for the American people" reveals the ineptness of a morally bankrupt President. Three major "affairs" of state at the forefront of Clinton's agenda are the Iraqi situation, his child-care initiative, and paying off social security.

Clinton has as much business ordering troops into battle as he does admonishing Marv Albert for his indiscretions. It's one thing to have never served in the military, but to evade serving your country in a time of need in such a disingenuous way should bring enough shame on an individual to recuse themselves from spearheading such decisions. However, this man has no shame which puts our military in harm's way.

What we have currently is the threat of military action (i.e. killing people) because we are unable to look at Iraq's weapons. The Gulf War was about liberating a country and letting Iraq know that their actions will not go unpunished. Was this American arrogance? No, it was an initiative supported by most every nation on the globe. Who is supporting the current threat of force? No one. Germany has said they will let us fly from their bases, but that is all. We already have seen American military planes crash just this past week. What next?

But the battle over Clinton's fraud in avoiding the military has been fought in the media before, and I do not choose to fight it again. I take solace in the fact that his Secretary of Defense, William S. Cohen, is an honorable and trustworthy man. It is his word and opinion that the media and country should be listening to — not the word of a man who has the propensity to lie so successfully as our President.

As for legislative "affairs," President Clinton last month proposed a child-care initiative subsidizing parents' further exodus out of the home, away from their children, and into the workplace. This revolutionary plan would help those working families who place a higher value on social and monetary success rather than raising happy and healthy children. This way the fraudulent and selfish baby-boomers can further absolve themselves of responsibility for the problems in the current culture of America. "It was the au pair's fault; it was the day-care center's inadequate staff; it was anybody's fault for my screwed up children, just not mine."

In October 1994 to a group in Albuquerque, Clinton could be heard saying, "The first responsibility of parents is to teach right from wrong." Of course he was mirroring the mantra of the Republican successful "family values" campaign that swept both houses of Congress and ensured fiscal responsibility for the country. What ever happened to those elected to protect the traditional family values that Clinton's initiatives erode? Politicians concerned for family values need to broaden their rhetoric to include all walks of life in America. This nation's epidemic of illegitimacy, divorce, domestic violence, and child abuse knows no class boundaries and

afflicts every quarter. The erosion of family values is a societal ill that all Americans must learn to fight. Is Bill

Clinton, a person whose loyalty to spouse and daughter has failed to trump his desire for personal pleasure on multiple occasions, someone capable of leading this fight?

Passing the blame is the norm

for the Clinton White House. This is exactly the scenario where his grandiose State of the "Union" pledge is to devote the current budget surplus to save social security. What is wrong with social security? Right now, money is taken out of everyone's pay check and given to a current retired person. Luckily, there are many more workers than retirees so this pyramid scheme (and that is really what this is) can continue for many years. However, when the baby-boomers hit their stride in retirement, they will soak it dry. There will not be enough workers to support the baby-boomers' Social Security thirst. So what do the baby-boomers (Bill Clinton) do? They take the current surplus and line their pockets. This is a band-aid solution on compound fracture problem. Instead of fixing the currently broken system (as many politicians propose), Clinton isn't going to make his generation sacrifice its turn at the Social Security trough. He's going to disingenuously "save" the current surplus (by proposing no budget mechanism to actually accomplish this) and spend, spend, spend. What a guy. A moral president with foresight and maybe even a soul would work for the future of America. But not Clinton. He's looking out for number one. Bill Clinton is concerned with his legacy rather than what is right for the people. His legacy will most likely be a much more greatly burdened generation following him, than his generation ever experienced. If that is his State of the "Union" pledge, this will not be one promise I fault him for not keeping.

Maybe sex with an intern who is practically the same age as your daughter doesn't matter. Maybe the president's lack of fidelity, defiling the White House and disgracing the office of the presidency doesn't matter. Maybe the actions of a man abusing his office to obtain the sexual services of impressionable young employees over whom he wields total authority doesn't matter. As the country's collective standards of morality and decency get lowered I can not help but think that Clinton is weakening a country today.

He doesn't know how to uphold the morality of a country. Maybe when we shrug at Clinton's moral indiscretions we weaken the country's morality. He is the commander in chief — the face and voice of America. We elected him twice. I can't help but think of his campaign in 1992: fool me once, shame on you, fool me twice, shame on me. America (c. 1992 and 1996), are we listening?

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■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In Memory of Ben Trigg



Photo special to The Observer

Trigg, pictured here on the far left, is remembered with great fondness by those who knew him.

Our friend Ben Trigg died Nov. 20 in a car accident in North Carolina. His family did not learn of his death until about a month later, and many people that he knew here may not yet have heard of the accident. Ben would have been a senior this year at Notre Dame but was taking a leave of absence from school. His untimely death was, and continues to be, a shock to everyone who knew him.

One regret people often express when a friend passes away is that they never got to tell the person that they loved him and to hear the same in return. As Ben's friends, we are fortunate in that each of us knew that Ben loved us with all his heart. Every time he met a friend, whether it was at a party or on the quad, the friend was greeted with a hug and with genuine enthusiasm. In return, we know that Ben always felt that we loved him as though we were family. In fact, there are very few regrets for Ben. He was a life lived passionately and intensely. Although any one of us would give anything to see that mop of hair bouncing toward us one more time, we know that he had experiences in life that some people can only dream of and that he cherished each one of them. His love for life can only be described as child-like in its innocence and openness. He was truly loving and giving to every person he came across.

Ben was constantly searching. He explored his faith and the meaning of his life more seriously than most. We hope that now he is at peace and that those never ending questions have finally been answered. He was a good man and a great friend, and we miss him. He is forever with us, but we will always miss our friend.

For those who knew and loved Ben, there will be a memorial service held at St. Edward's Hall on Feb. 22 at 4:00 p.m.

Friends of Ben Trigg
February 8, 1998

It Was All I Could Do ...

I want to share an experience with the Notre Dame community. In the early minutes of Jan. 29, I allowed a man to die in Michigan City, Ind. He died because I live in a society that kills people for killing people. I do not know this man's name, and I have to walk each day knowing that as a citizen, I allowed him to die.

A contingent of Notre Dame students traveled to a Michigan City prison on the night of this man's execution to pray for his soul, for the souls of those around him, and for the man whom he killed. Together, we sang songs of hope and joy, we read verses from our Bibles about forgiveness and love, and we prayed our rosary. It was all we could do.

While praying with my fellow students, I felt like running beyond the barricades of the prison to try to speak sense to those behind the large brick walls. Please stop. Stop. Stop. However, the institution of the death penalty is a firm tradition of American society. They could not stop. I did not run inside. I prayed. It was all I could do.

It is powerful and moving to stand outside a prison in the freezing cold, knowing that 100 meters from where I was standing, a man was being strapped to a table and given a lethal injection. At midnight, I did not need to look at my watch. An eerie silence overtook the crowd. It was as if the world around us stopped for an instant. All my energy concentrated on this man and the institution that caused him to die. It was all I could do.

My friend and Amnesty International Secretary, Kelly Williams, told me that the institution of the death penalty caused not one, but two deaths. The man who was executed was in prison for armed robbery. He killed a fellow inmate in order to receive the death penalty. On Jan. 29, 1998, he was killed. Whether or not this man desired to die is not the issue. The issue is this: The institutions in the society in which I consider myself a citizen are killing people. I am horrified that I live in a society that allows these things to happen. I helped to murder this man. It was all I could do.

Mark Massoud
Junior, Fisher Hall
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■ DIGGING DEEPER

At the Bottom of Plato's Cave

What exactly is it that makes a good politician? What criteria should we use to evaluate the performance of, say, our own country's president? This question was perhaps first addressed in Plato's "Republic." Plato argued that our leaders ought to be the "philosopher kings" who have emerged from

good and ill, whether they had been installed by dynastic tradition, by the will of the people, by a victorious battle, or by intrigue. But they have been replaced in modern times by the manager, the bureaucrat, the apparatchik — a professional ruler, manipulator, and expert in the techniques of management, manipulation, and obfuscation, filling a depersonalized intersection of functional relations, a cog in the machinery of state caught up in a predetermined role. This professional ruler is an "innocent," tool of an "innocent," anonymous power, legitimized by science, cybernetics, ideology, law, abstraction, and objectivity—that is, by everything except personal responsibility to human beings as persons and neighbors."

Havel's portrait of the modern politician reflects Alisdair McIntyre's character of the amoral Manager depicted in his book "After Virtue": "The manager treats ends as given, as outside his scope; his concern also is with technique, with effectiveness in transforming neurotic symptoms into directed energy ... " Today's politician, the Manager, contrasts with the notion of a political leader as one who could be placed into categories like justice, honor, treason, friendship, infidelity, courage, or empathy — in short, someone who could relate to actual persons and real life. But in modernity, we have shifted the emphasis from virtue to quantifiable success, as measured by the ability to manipulate — to wear the right masks in the right situations, to shake the right hands, and to say the right things — regardless of whether these bear any relation to the truth. As Havel says, "A modern politician is transparent: behind his judicious mask and affected diction there is not a trace of a human being rooted in the order of the natural world by his loves, passions, interests, personal opinions, hatred, courage, or cruelty. All that he, too, locks away in his pri-

vate bathroom. If we glimpse anything at all behind the mask, it will be only a more or less *competent technician of power* [italics mine]. The sole method of modern politics has become quantifiable success, measured by economic and other such statistics. The result, according to Havel, is that "states grow ever more machinelike; people are transformed into statistical choruses of voters, producers, consumers, patients,

have lost all relevance. The public official is no longer an integral person, but an efficient, calculating manipulator of policy, information, social trend, and rhetoric.

Meanwhile, the press barely has time to flesh out the implications of one "personal" scandal before another one hits the front page. The American public becomes bored (we've seen it all: sexual deviancy, financial scams, infidelity, illicit funds, lies ...). All the while, our fearless leader continues groveling at the bottom of Plato's cave, digging himself a hole (perhaps all the way to China). Desensitized, the public watches sedately as his lawyers skillfully project shadows onto our newspapers and TV screens.

Our president, the amoral Manager, has worn so many masks, has waffled and reversed his position on so many issues so many times, that one can no longer accuse him of deviating from his own principles. The unsettling truth is that he may simply have no underlying principles from which to deviate. St. Augustine realized that evil was not a particular being, it was the absence of something, namely, of good. Evil is ultimately not a substantial thing, but a dark, empty void. A frightening prospect is that underneath all of the President's masks, if they were ever finally stripped away, we would find that there is left simply ... nothing. Even more frightening is the possibility that the reason so few people actually care is because he may ultimately be a reflection of us.

COMPETENCE AS A POLITICAL LEADER HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE OBJECTIVE GOODNESS OR BADNESS, RIGHTNESS OR WRONGNESS PRESENT IN ONE'S CHARACTER. INDEED, THESE CONSIDERATIONS SEEM TO HAVE LOST ALL RELEVANCE.

tourists, or soldiers." The competent technicians of power, seeing into the future only as far as the next election, drive the state further into a utilitarian mode which, as Havel has seen first hand, will eventually lead to a thinly disguised totalitarianism.

With this view in mind, let us turn to modern American politics. Recent presidential opinion polls indicate that 73 percent of Americans believe that our president's "private" life is unrelated to his proficiency as the commander in chief. The American public sees this artificially dichotomous standard as the correct way to evaluate our political leaders. An arbitrary wedge is introduced into the leader's personality; what he does behind closed doors bears no relation to the manner in which he manages public affairs. Competence as a political leader has nothing to do with the objective goodness or badness, rightness or wrongness present in one's character. Indeed, these considerations seem to

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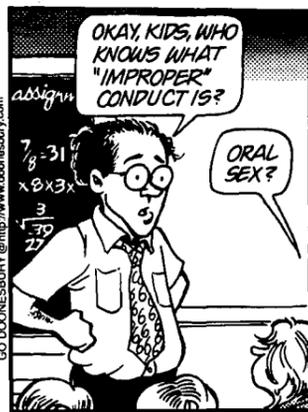
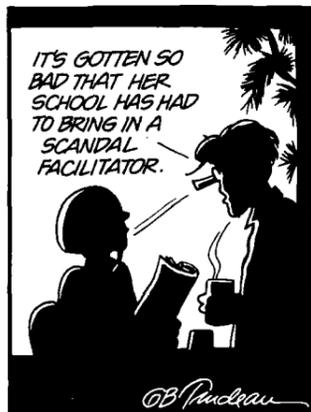
the shadowy cave into the realm of ideas, dazzled by the glorious light of truth. "Thus, for you and for us, the city will be governed, not like the majority of cities nowadays, by people who fight over shadows and struggle against one another in order to rule — as if that were a great good — but by people who are awake rather than dreaming." According to Plato, it is this sort of ruler who ought to direct the affairs of the state, so as to aim its activity toward the good.

We will return to Plato's cave shortly. First, a few remarks about the modern state of politics. I start with the good news. Vaclav Havel, a former playwright, essayist, and Eastern European Socialist dissident, was recently reelected president of the Czech Republic. In a brilliant essay entitled "Politics and Conscience," Havel reflects on the modern political situation in light of the changes he has lived through in Eastern Europe. I quote at length:

"Rulers and leaders were once personalities in their own right, with particular human faces, still in some sense personally responsible for their deeds,

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■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Physical science will not console me for the ignorance of morality in the time of affliction."

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The Replacement Killers

Directed by Antoine Fuqua

Starring Chow Yun-Fat and Mira Sorvino



(out of five shamrocks)

By JOEY LENISKI
Accent Movie Critic

In the Hollywood world, there is a certain kind of movie that I like to call "flash-and-cash."

It is a hackneyed yet intricately-mixed blend of an inflated budget, glittery advertising campaign and hyped-up promotion, big-name (and usually big-salaried) stars, footage filled with flashy effects, large multi-angled explosions, kick-ass combat scenes, and slow-motion cinematic wizardry, all of which hover like carrion around a barren story chocked full of unconvincing characters, witless dialogue and a paper-thin plotline which serves only to conveniently bring every single character together at the finale for one mass bullet-riddled blood-orgy. And in the end, the good guy stands in somber, honorable victory over the bad guys spattered all over the concrete beneath him. It is a formula as shopworn as the desktop in the Oval Office, but as ingrained in Hollywood as Mann's Chinese Theatre, and thanks to

such great auteurs as Steven Segal and Jean-Claude Van Damme, we never have to worry about it fading away.

It is from this same sacred "flash-and-cash" tradition that the archetypal "Replacement Killers" emerges.

I'll cut right to the chase: there is not a whole lot of brain activity in this movie. John Lee (played by leg-

sidekick Meg Coburn, a professional forger played by the mighty Mira Sorvino. Herein lies the true dramatic dilemma: What do you do when somebody is trying to kill you? You kill them first, of course! "Killers" finds this to be a suitable recourse and follows it vehemently straight through the last act, proving once again that for 90 minutes it is quite possible to have characters interact, solve problems, move from scene to scene in rapid fashion and still get absolutely nowhere.

correct blend of dazzling establishing shots, angles, tracks, and slow motion that made Woo famous and "Face/Off" a mega-hit. What results is a very claustrophobic movie, where the camera is often too close to the action to convey exactly who is pointing the gun at who. The opening scene inside a night club is a superbly engineered piece of action filmmaking, but this same dizzying formula is drawn out through the entire movie, dwindling much of the film's original energy and vitality into tired, repetitive motion by the end. And without a decent or mildly interesting plot to follow, the energy and vitality of the audience gets somewhat sapped as well.

There you have it, "Replacement Killers" is indeed flash-and-cash. Yet this movie does manage to achieve an acceptable level of cinematic enjoyment. Who doesn't enjoy action stars who dive from the path of oncoming artillery, hit the dirt and flip around in one motion, tear two .45 caliber pistols from their back pockets in super slow-mo and unload on the sweaty suit-wearing gangsters across the room, all to the funky and pulsating beat of hardcore electronica?

If this is not your bag, then stay home and watch "My Best Friend's Wedding" for the 10th time. But for those of you who have this deeply-rooted need for excessive, completely unnecessary brutality and pure, unadulterated violence, you should either try and cut in front of the girls in the Yo-Cream line at North Dining Hall, or go out and check out this film. I personally recommend the latter, at least that carries some assurance for your personal safety.



photo courtesy Columbia Pictures

John Lee (Chow Yun-Fat) a professional assassin tries to protect his family and escape his past with document forger Meg Coburn (Mira Sorvino)

endary Chinese shoot-em-up actor Chow Yun-Fat) is an assassin who refuses to kill the son of a cop (Michael Rooker), thus invoking the wrath of the crime-lord Mr. Wei (Kenneth Tsang) to whom he owes a life debt. Thus the "replacement killers" are brought on board, not only to complete Lee's task but to also eradicate him and his neurotic female

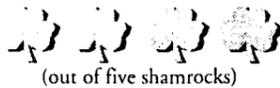
While this flick fails in overcoming many of the stereotypes typical of its genre, it is nevertheless an obviously-entertaining way to spend six bucks. Director Antoine Fuqua borrows much of the shooting style from foreign-film auteur John Woo, who coincidentally signed all the checks for this film as executive producer, but fails to find the

Not just another film noir

Fallen

Directed by Gregory Hoblit

Starring Denzel Washington, John Goodman, and Donald Sutherland



(out of five shamrocks)

By JOE STARK
Accent Movie Critic

"I've fallen, and I can't get up," were the first words out of my mouth after watching the recent film, "Fallen." The movie's stunning ending and intriguing plot provides for a quality 120 minutes of suspense and thrills. "Fallen" mixes the classic detective story of good cop versus bad guy with a horror twist.

Denzel Washington portrays detective John Hobbes, Baltimore's leading homicide detective. Washington's voice starts the movie with the quote, "I'd like to tell you about the time I almost died."

The real strength of "Fallen" lies in its writing. The plot proves to be original not only in its twists and turns, but also in its genre. Deviating from the typical detective drama with good guys and bad guys, the plot adds a horror aspect. The chills and scares added to the already suspense-filled plot not only made it a better police story, but the adding of the "Dragnet"-like characters made it a better horror film. With possessed eyes looking on in every scene, it is a movie that provokes thought, and the horror aspect to the movie changes the typical attitudes of who are the good guys and who are the bad guys. A good guy could turn bad without even him knowing it. Fans of both detective stories and horror films will be entertained by "Fallen."

The movie is further strengthened by the performances of the main characters. Washington pulls off a great portrayal of not only a suave and talented detective, but he also show us a caring family man that we can easily identify as a complete good guy. John Goodman, who plays Hobbes' partner and sidekick, Jonesy, gives a very realistic portrayal of a donut-eating, coffee-swiggling, more experienced cop who supports Hobbes. Albeit that the donut eating portion of

the role probably came natural to him, this non-comedic role for Goodman proved his talent as an actor.

The movie also has very heart wrenching scenes of Hobbes and his makeshift family of his mentally disabled brother and his nephew. The simpleton character of Hobbes' brother and Hobbes helping raise his brother's son really complete the heroic nature of John Hobbes as not only a smart, courageous detective, but also as a loving family man.

Not all characters were developed as they should have been though. Donald Sutherland plays Hobbes' and Jonesy's superior officer, Lt. Stanton. Throughout the movie he seems to antagonize Hobbes in a shifty and secretive tone. I kept expecting for him to lay out some big secret to Hobbes, but he ends up just staying negative and shadowy. He just might win the "Actor Most Needing a Slapping in a Supporting Role."

Another part that could have been more enhanced was the relationship between Washington's character and Gretta Milano, played by Embeth Davidtz. Davidtz plays the role of theologian and supernatural expert well, bringing a less nerdy and a more human approach to the intelligent scholar character. An almost sibling-like relationship starts to develop between the two but is never really brought to completion.

Surprisingly enough, one of the most memorable performances was given by a group of actors and actresses who combined to create one of the most creatively constructed villains: Everó Azazel. Azazel, a biblical demon, haunts not only John Hobbes, but the mere idea behind him haunts the audience. The pure evil associated with this fallen angel is portrayed well in the film and is one of the most of chilling aspects of the movie.

Another great part of "Fallen" is its music and cinematography. The Rolling Stones seem to have stock in this movie. Not only does the plot seem to be inspired by their song "Sympathy for the Devil," but the demon in the movie has a penchant for singing "Time On My Side." Whenever the lyrics of "Time On My Side" are



photo courtesy Twentieth Century Fox

Denzel Washington and Embeth Davidtz foresee another problem with the shape shifting demon

heard in the movie, the audience tenses and the theater gets still. A great job was done by director Gregory Hoblit for his use of the floating camera shot to show us exactly what Azazel sees. We seem to float with the demon, hovering above the streets of Baltimore, looking for our next host.

With all movies, the job of the critic by definition is to criticize, and this movie is definitely not immune to critical flaws. One has to wonder at the intelligence of Azazel. Wouldn't an age-old demon who quotes Aramaic not be as susceptible to the trickery of Detective John Hobbes? Azazel seems to be almost out-smarted twice in the same manner, by two very similar characters. One other problem I had with the film is that Hobbes in the beginning of the story is too strong for the demon to enter him; yet later in the film this impossibility seems to be compromised.

The reason this movie gets four stars is that these flaws, in the grand scope of the movie, don't affect the overall entertainment value. So if you miss it the movies, definitely rent it on one of those dark campus nights; "Fallen" is a definite must see.



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THE GREAT DEBATE

Candidates address wide range of issues

By JAMIE HEISLER
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Issues of experience, vision and feasibility of platform ideas came to the forefront last night in a debate among eight contending tickets for the 1998-99 student government administration.

In a two-hour period, the candidates outlined campaign promises ranging from an established student bill of rights to the transformation of Stepan Center into a discotecque. Platform ideas were then more closely addressed through a series of questions from a panel consisting of six members of the student media and student government.

The tickets of Peter Cesaro/Andréa Selak, Brian Corrigan/Kevin Doherty, Brandon Williams/Julie Reising, Mark Leen/Sarah Grunow, Michele Costello/A.J. Boyd, Tim FitzSimons/Brian Murphy, Walter Poirier/Greg

Smith, and Matt Tomko/Ross Kerr faced inquiries as to their extent of experience, the depth of their insight into the issues, and the uniqueness of their platforms.

When faced with the issue of experience, only five tickets boasted specific experience with the Student Senate — the policy-related student government body chaired by the student body vice president. Vice-presidential candidates Reising, Boyd, and Kerr currently serve as student senators; Selak has served on the Social Concerns Committee, and Grunow acts as the student government-senate liaison.

The tickets of Corrigan/Doherty and Poirier/Smith admitted little or no experience in student government, each addressing the matter in different manners. Poirier/Smith stressed the potential benefits of approaching the position "from out of the loop" of student government.

"We want to end Club Griffin/Nass," stated Poirier, "because we believe no one [currently in student government] is approachable."

The Corrigan/Doherty ticket stated the knowledge of the inner-workings of student government could be learned in the time between their election and the April 1 transition date.

"[Our lack of experience]



The Observer/Katie Kroener

Student senator Matt Szabo (above, center) represented student government on a six-member panel at last night's debate. Arguably the harshest questions came from Brendan Kelly (above left), who put one ticket on the spot by dubbing all its ideas "unoriginal." Also pictured: Ryan Silvestrini from WSND.

At left, the emcee for the debates imitated the demeanor of Matt Foley, Chris Farley's motivational speaker character from *Saturday Night Live*.



makes our job more difficult, and once we are elected we have to catch up, but we don't feel that's the priority as to who you are going to elect," said Corrigan.

Members of the questioning panel also chose to directly challenge certain campaign ideas presented by the candidates, noting either an absence of adequate research or the uniqueness of a platform issue. Questioned on the lack of originality among platforms, FitzSimons and Murphy cited the distinctions between themselves and other tickets as well as their fresh perspective on commonly

broached issues.

"What separates us is the fact that we work well together — we're not a politically contrived ticket," said FitzSimons. "Our issues are practical and feasible, many are being addressed, and that's the opportunity. But the University needs to be pushed and held to its commitment."

Running mate Murphy continued, discussing the ticket's unique plans for a Millennium Committee and their ideas for expanding diversity programs to include the disabled and elderly.

Faced with a question concerning the lesser-addressed

issues of campus security, the ticket of Leen/Grunow pointed to the existence of an unsafe environment for women as a matter not currently receiving the attention it deserves. He suggested forums with experts from campus security and from outside Notre Dame to address dangers such as date rape and other forms of sexual assault.

"In terms of security, it [the environment] is not being addressed. We're allowing that environment to occur," said Leen. In addition, he advocated the use of the

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ENDORSEMENT

Observer endorses Williams/Reising



The year 1997-98 was marked by growing pains for student government. In implementing a newly-revised constitution, both the Student Senate and student body president Matt Griffin encountered unforeseen obstacles that demanded concentration on the present, to the detriment of any plans for the future.

And in the questions of scandal surrounding Griffin and the senate's ensuing debates on the issue of ethics, student government was prevented from doing fully what it should be expected to do — represent the students.

Lost in all the details was a plan, a focus from which all ideas could arise.

But now a new student government

term is dawning, and with it come two tickets who seem ready to take an adolescent student government to a new level of maturity. And although there are inherent restraints on student government that will forever prevent it from reaching adulthood at the University of Notre Dame, these tickets are the ones that seem most capable of making student government worthwhile. They've developed a set of feasible, useful goals from — dare we say it at Apathetic U.? — a "vision" of what Notre Dame ought to be.

In this year's race for student body president, these two tickets stand out for combining vision with a platform that, if accomplished, would make Notre Dame a better place, especially

for its students.

In their interview with *The Observer* and at last night's debates, Brandon Williams and Julie Reising reiterated that their term in office would be marked by "a passion for and commitment to the University — the place and the idea that it aspires to be." Holding that proposition up is a list of ideas that aren't too lofty that they are impossible, but just lofty enough that they are meaningful.

Tim FitzSimons and Brian Murphy are another ticket offering that combination of vision and prudence. More like co-presidents than a single president and vice president, Murphy is the self-described visionary and FitzSimons is the coordinator of day-

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Griffin, Nass evaluate progress of 1997-98

By HEATHER MACKENZIE
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It was a transition year for student government, and student body president Matt Griffin and vice president Erik Nass were elected to test-drive a new constitution and restructured administration, simultaneously trying to keep their own platform goals in sight.

"We didn't really know our place coming into this," Nass said. "Our role changed entirely, and we had no idea what we were stepping into."

Facing criticism and cries of scandal from other student leaders and organizations, Griffin and Nass attempted to improve on some existing student government projects while trying to streamline its new framework.

"One of our biggest challenges was this new system," Griffin said. "But I think we made a lot of improvements and headway. We tried to improve on what was done before us."

Griffin and Nass cite programs like SafeRide as some of the most successful accomplishments of their year in office.

"We took a great idea and turned it from unreliable into a system that occurs every week," Nass said.

Griffin agreed, "In a couple of weeks, SafeRide is going to have its own van. This program has gone way beyond where it was last year."

But apathy and cynicism still exist in the minds of students, and Nass feels that the accomplishments of student government are sometimes missed by critics.

"It is easy to rip on student government because we focus more on policy than on programming," he said. "We can't reason with people who don't think we've done anything. It is sad that people think that, but it is simply not true."

Part of the reason Griffin and Nass feel that their accomplishments have not been more recognized by the student population is because they did not directly advertise to the students.

"We are somewhat humble," Nass said. "We don't like to brag. This was a different approach than in years past."

Part of this approach, Griffin

said, was to make student government less of an "insiders group" and more accessible to students. With an office environment that promoted casual contact and a welcoming atmosphere, Griffin believes he removed some of the exclusiveness of student government.

"Some of my favorite times in office were when someone would come in just to chat or send me an e-mail saying they liked what I was doing," he said. "That was really meaningful to me."

THE CRITICISM

Part of the challenge for Griffin and Nass was to incorporate the new constitution and the governmental overhaul into their offices. Nass headed up a new Student Senate, while Griffin struggled to keep the revised constitution in sight as he took office.

But still, many ask what the Griffin/Nass administration has actually done during their year in office.

"Contrary to other campus publications like Scholastic, there is a lot that we have done this semester," Griffin said. "There are a lot of accomplishments that the students can't see right now, but we have gotten the ball rolling."

Some of these long-term goals were ideas like the campus shuttle, which Griffin and Nass see as an accomplishment of their office even if the results are not currently tangible.

"It is the things that are not immediate that can turn out great," Nass said.

"In the long term," Griffin added, "the work that the committees of student government can do are amazing. Things like the University parking committee changing the parking situation are things that aren't going to happen right now. But they are going to happen."

One of the unseen accomplishments of Nass, according to many student leaders, is the way the current vice president runs the Student Senate. With a new way of operation this year incorporating a senator from every dorm, this body is instrumental in passing many of the resolutions that directly affect the student body.

"I looked at last year's minutes, and we have gotten a lot



The Observer/Jeff Hsu
Chief of staff Mary Gillard lounges in the ball pit in the student government office, flanked by president Matt Griffin (left) and vice president Erik Nass. The pit is one of many office items that the trio believes has given the office a more lighthearted, approachable image.

more done," Nass said. "We worked together and really got to know people as a group. I expected a lot of egos, but I was really impressed by this group."

Griffin and Nass admit that there were some platform goals that did not happen this year, but for the most part the administration thinks they have had a successful year.

"I would have liked to have seen a top 25 leadership conference, and there are some other things that just didn't happen," Griffin said. "But a lot of people don't know what has gone on because they are considering 'non-newsworthy' things."

CAMPUS HOOK-UP

One of the more criticized aspects of the Griffin/Nass administration is the implementation of a mass distributed student government newsletter, The Campus Hook-Up.

"This started out as a great idea," Griffin said. "The leaders starting out didn't know what

would come out of this."

With distribution and payment problems plaguing the newsletter, the idea did not catch on with the student body the way Griffin and Nass had hoped.

"I don't think the students had enough time to get used to it," Nass said. "We wanted people to take it seriously, but people were not used to it."

One of the mistakes Griffin said he made was assuming that clubs would be more willing to accept the free advertising in the Hook-Up.

"We thought the clubs would be a bigger part of this," Griffin said. "But clubs only care about their individual members."

THE SCANDAL

In recent months, Griffin's name has been associated more with potential impeachment than with presidential policy. Jeremy Lingenfelter stepped up with a petition to recall the president on a question of ethics, and then disappeared

with only a letter to the Student Senate asking that they further investigate the matter.

Throughout the scandal, Griffin defended himself while still fulfilling his role as the president of the student body.

"The petition was inaccurate, and it says something that no one has ever seen the signatures," Griffin said. "I would hope that the students would come to me if they have problems and not work through these means."

"I was very impressed the way Matt handled himself during the impeachment," Nass said. "I don't have thick enough skin to go into something like that."

Did this controversy make Griffin or Nass regret their roles in student government?

"The good experiences of this office far outweigh the bad experiences," Nass said. "I wouldn't even think twice about doing this again."

Griffin agreed. "I am so glad that I got to finish my Notre Dame career in this position."

COMMENTARY

Winning ticket should note others' ideas

Taken together, this year's tickets show strengths in vision, feasible ideas, student government experience, and the requisite leadership qualities — but most do not have all of them in one.

While Williams/Reising and FitzSimons/Murphy possess the complete package and nearly-complete package, respectively, the other tickets also offer some ideas that should be implemented by next year's occupants of 203 LaFortune.

The following descriptions of each ticket highlight the ideas that ought to be considered, as well as The Observer's reason not to endorse those candidates:

Matt Tomko and Ross Kerr present a

platform that is well-researched and offers many ideas that, if implemented, would make life at Notre Dame more convenient. Kerr's dynamic personality would be effective in running Student Senate, and Tomko's behind-the-scenes research would make him a valuable asset to student government. But other than placing a student on the Board of Trustees, the platform lacks mention of the abstract ideas that, although harder to implement, would address more important needs than those of mere convenience.

Mark Leen and Sarah Grunow, however, display the type of vision that student government needs. With an abundance of experience, the ticket has some good

ideas that ought to be adopted regardless of who wins the election. Leen and Grunow suggest using the Executive Cabinet to focus attention on gender and racial issues and writing better-researched resolutions that anticipate possible objections from the administration in order to build a stronger student consensus. The ticket's plan to enact policies "that hold the University to a higher standard" is also laudable. But Leen is too aggressive — and tends to dominate Grunow in conversation — which may prevent him from building the consensus that he himself seeks.

Peter Cesaro and Andréa Selak also have a comprehensive platform. They plan to expand SafeRide to Thursdays,

adjust the meal plan for more student choice, and create forums with other universities to examine issues of race. But the duo did not display the passion for changing student government that the other tickets presented, and one doubts that the soft-spoken Selak could be an effective leader of the Student Senate.

Michele Costello and A.J. Boyd have a praiseworthy goal in focusing on service opportunities for students, and they also suggest a support group to aid the proposed student member on the Board of Trustees in writing proposals to the board. But the closed and covert nature

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Peter CESARO



Andreea SELAK

Class/ Major: Cesaro is a finance and CAPP major; Selak is a government/international studies and American studies major.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "Putting Students First."

Most Important Idea: Improving student services, including the spelling out of student rights, getting a non-voting student on the Board of Trustees, adjusting the meal plans and improving communication between student government and students.

Least Feasible: Working to change the dining plan and privatizing SafeRide.

Most Feasible: Getting a student on the Board of Trustees.

Notable Quote: "We want to take the government to the students and increase communication so that people aren't saying 'What student government do?'"

Prior Experience: Cesaro is Knott Hall co-president and served previously as the Flanner Hall freshmen representative, sophomore class president and student senator. Selak is sophomore class vice president, co-chairs the Social Concerns Committee and previously served as freshman class secretary.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: Forums with other colleges and universities to address ethnic and other social concerns; extending SafeRide to "popular" going-out nights; the creation of a new position to aid students in appealing parking citations.

Most Feasible: Posting student employment opportunities on the student government home page; replacing the Campus Hook-Up with more efficient means of advertising.

Least Feasible: Privatizing SafeRide without cutting funding to other important student government undertakings.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — Would push for a non-voting student member of the Board of Trustees.

Inner-workings of Government — They believe the student government's executive cabinet has great potential for achievement and "could be such a powerful tool."

Gender Relations — The pair sees the Women's Service Center as playing a larger role on campus; they want to increase funding, publicity and office space for the center.

Diversity — Can be more easily addressed by "bringing students together" through forums and similar activities; increase accessibility for disabled students.

Off-Campus Students — Addressed the need for off-campus presidents to sit on the Hall Presidents' Council; stated that creation of "block captains" can help publicize student government activities to various apartment complexes.

What We Like: Cesaro and Selak understand both the workings of student government and the complementary role of hall government through experience in each. Their attention to detail prompted them to research each platform proposal.

What We're Worried About: All researching abilities aside, they lack long-range vision for the University, which would give focus to their slate of campaign ideas. These two did not display the passion for improving student government that was present in other tickets; they tended to dance around the questions, summarizing the platform rather than honing in on specific answers. Selak's quiet demeanor calls into question her assertiveness and ability to lead the senate.

Class/Major: Corrigan and Doherty are both junior finance majors.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "Great expectations for simple changes."

Most Important Idea: Setting up a campus-wide database that student can use to buy and sell used textbooks. Corrigan and Doherty believe this will foster competition with the bookstore to keep students from "getting ripped off."

Most Feasible: Any of their ideas that "eliminates a common inconvenience," such as installing campus telephones in parking lots and re-painting crosswalks.

Least Feasible: Installation of Notre Dame Federal Credit Union ATM outside Grace Hall.

Notable Quote: "We want to interact with the students and get their ideas, because there are lots of other people who are out there thinking."

Prior Experience: Stanford Hall Council meetings; Corrigan is the dorm's food commissioner.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: An accessible alumni-student network designed to help students use the "Notre Dame family" when job-hunting, giving a scope that extends beyond South Bend and Chicago; putting campus phones in student parking lots.

Most Feasible: Re-painting the crosswalks around campus.

Least Feasible: Changing the 24-hour detex systems for the female dorms.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — Will look into the idea of a student sitting on the Board of Trustees.

Inner-workings of Government — They want to further empower the Hall Presidents' Council, which the duo says is "the students' arena" for open communication.

Gender Relations — They want to eliminate the 24-hour lock on dormitory doors, saying it makes random "drop-in" visits inconvenient and thus deterring one gender from visiting the other's dorms.

Diversity — Did not enumerate a specific course of action, but said they will investigate the issue and get the ball rolling.

Off-campus Students — Will encourage the involvement of the off-campus co-presidents, because "their opinions mean as much. They may not live on-campus, but they still spend half the day here."

What We Like: They have logical and practical reasons for putting each idea on their platform, and they can articulate these reasons. Much of their platform deals with "eliminating common inconveniences," which indicates a real ear for what students are complaining about.

What We're Worried About: Despite their enthusiasm and conviction that experience is immaterial, these two are underestimating the amount of time it takes to get a solid grasp of the bureaucracy of student government. In these two positions, there's no room for uncertainty or a period of turmoil after the transition.

Kevin CORRIGAN



Brian DOHERTY

Michele COSTELLO



A.J.
BOYD

Class/Major: Costello is a junior government/international studies major and Hesburgh Public Policy concentrator; Boyd is a sophomore theology major.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "Committed to Action."

Most Important Idea: To continue service to the community. Costello and Boyd want to spearhead a fundraising poster project for the Center for the Homeless similar to the "Irish Impact" series; utilize the ex-officio position for a student member on the Board of Trustees.

Most Feasible: They emphasized the feasibility of a non-voting student member on the Board of Trustees and bringing Adam Sandler to campus. Costello and Boyd's platform involved three months of research which leads them to believe that all of their ideas are feasible.

Least Feasible: Voting student member on the Board of Trustees.

Notable Quote: Costello, on being the only female presidential candidate: "I'm running because I feel I am the most qualified. Experience has nothing to do with gender."

Prior Experience: Costello has worked in the Office of the President as the assistant publicity chair and on the service committee. She was also the sophomore class vice president and a member of SUB's entertainment committee. Boyd is Keough's senator and has served on the ethics committee, Campus Club Council and the student government reform committee.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: A support group designed to aid the student member on the Board of Trustees. This group would help research and write proposals to bring the Board — to join the administration, they should function like it.

Most Feasible: Restarting the Irish Impact poster project for charity.

Least Feasible: A student discount card to be used at South Bend area stores.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — Utilize University by-laws to get a student on the Board of Trustees now; will work to get a voting student member on the Board in the future.

Inner-workings of Government — Start formal information sessions so that the senate and Executive Cabinet are updated on which the other is working on or have completed.

Gender Relations — They did not address this issue.

Diversity — Use resources of other campuses by hosting a regional conference; more joint activities between multicultural clubs and student government. They emphasize the non-Catholic voice as a minority.

Off-campus Students — Other than increasing the role of the off-campus senator, they did not have concrete or long-range plans for off-campus students.

What We Like: Commitment to service. Government should be about serving the community.

What We're Worried About: The closed and covert nature of Boyd's ethics committee raises concerns about his ability to lead the Senate. The team has few long-term goals to contribute to the vision of this university and its students, especially in the realm of gender relations and diversity; clubs may lose autonomy if Costello tries to increase their connections with student government.

Class/Major: Leen is a junior government/international studies major; Grunow is a junior mechanical engineering major.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "Bringing student government back to the students."

Most Important Idea: Improving students' perception of student government by increasing the number of resolutions accepted by the administration, in part by attaching to each resolution a presentation that addresses possible objections on legal, theological or canonical grounds.

Most Feasible: Creating a student director for SafeRide, which maintains student control for the program and allows greater scheduling flexibility, which privatizing would not allow.

Least Feasible: Satellite Grab-N-Go stations in academic buildings around campus.

Notable Quote: "We as students need to be more involved in our government; as people who go to a Catholic university, we need to care."

Prior Experience: Leen served on Student Senate and CLC, chaired the senate ethics committee and CLC's du Lac revisions committee. Grunow is the student government-senate liaison.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: Utilizing the Executive Cabinet to focus attention on gender and racial issues, writing better-researched resolutions, convincing administration to convert current bookstore into a social setting for students.

Most Feasible: Student control of SafeRide, returning the Huddle's closing time to 3 a.m.

Least Feasible: Converting current bookstore into a social setting for students.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — Will be "realistic" in pushing for a non-voting student member of the Board of Trustees.

Inner-workings of Government — The presidential veto should only be used with the aim of forcing the senate and the president to work more closely to "build a consensus" on an issue. It should not be used as an end to an issue.

Gender Relations — Use Executive Cabinet to ensure coordination of events and contribute to programming; Use Board of Trustees report to examine problems of gender; forums with Notre Dame Security to highlight the reality that rape and assault crimes do happen on campus.

Diversity — The Executive Cabinet should coordinate a campus-wide schedule of events and offer programming. The Board of Trustees report could also examine problems of race.

Off-campus Students — Designate a delegate within the Executive Cabinet's student life committee to focus on off-campus issues; use ads at Alumni-Senior Club to publicize events to off-campus students.

What We Like: Leen and Grunow know the ins and outs of student government, and their plan to add greater force to resolutions through better research should be done regardless of who wins.

What We're Worried About: When Leen has a point to make, he tends to be aggressive — perhaps too aggressive. In their interview, Leen dominated Grunow, a quality which may cause problems when the time comes to build the consensus that Leen seeks.

Mark LEEN



Sarah
GRUNOW

Tim

FITZSIMONS



Brian

MURPHY

Class/Major: FitzSimons is a junior government/international studies major, and Murphy is a junior American studies major. Both are concentrating in the Hesburgh Program.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "Vote FitzSimons and Murphy."

Most Important Idea: Improvement of the Women's Resource Center through the addition of programming that targets both sexes.

Most Feasible: Inclusion of off-campus presidents in the Hall Presidents Council.

Least Feasible: A student as a voting member on the University's Board of Trustees.

Notable Quote: "It is important that the student body president and vice president are fulfilling commitments and representing themselves and Notre Dame well to the public."

Prior Experience: FitzSimons and Murphy currently serve together on the Hall Presidents Council as the presidents of Sorin and Keenan Halls, respectively. Both served as members of their hall councils in previous years.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: A colloquium on the millennium for the students of the University as a means for long-term continuity of ideas from the undergraduate population; mandatory contribution of drivers to SafeRide by clubs receiving more than \$500 of University funds.

Most Feasible: The aforementioned proposition to expand the focus of programs emanating from the Women's Resource Center.

Least Feasible: The renovation of the basement of Hesburgh Library to allow for a more comfortable atmosphere and higher quality refreshments.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — Intend to pursue the seating of a voting member on the Board of Trustees, but have indicated their willingness to compromise with the board and the administration if necessary.

Inner-workings of Government — Their experience does not suggest a great deal of understanding of the specific functions and processes of the system, but their research into these areas of concern may prove complementary to their work with HPC.

Gender Relations — Genuinely concerned with this increasingly prominent campus issue. They offer concrete ideas toward the improvement in this regard, such as further development of the role of the Women's Resource Center and increased 24-hour social space.

Diversity — Address the issue with a number of goals such as the streamlining of the government's diversity department and the cultural arts committee to eliminate budgetary conflict, improved access to, and publicity of, prejudice reduction workshops.

Off-campus Students — Show concern for the recent lack of communication between student government and off-campus students; intend to include the off-campus presidents in HPC.

What We Like: FitzSimons and Murphy offer a refreshing combination of dynamism and perspective. They possess a far-reaching vision of student interaction with the administration and the Board of Trustees, while maintaining a realistic understanding of the day-to-day commitments of holding the executive positions in student government.

What We're Worried About: Despite their apparent energy and experience as leaders of their respective dorms, Murphy and FitzSimons do not have first-hand experience with the procedure and functions of policy-affecting bodies such as the Student Senate and CLC. While their attitude and work-ethic would be ideal for leaders of those governmental institutions, a better working knowledge of the system could prove critical.

Class/Major: Poirier, a sophomore, is a government/international studies and history double major. Smith is a freshman ALPP and economics double major.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "Drop the Bomb in '98."

Most Important Idea: Creating more on-campus activities so that students are less enticed to go to off-campus establishments.

Most Feasible: "There is no one singular plank of our platform that stands out as being more feasible than any other," Poirier said, emphasizing his belief that it is both possible and crucial to plan on-campus activities on weekends.

Least Feasible: Converting Stepan Center into a discotecque.

Notable Quote: "We want to end the 'Griffin and Nass Club.' It's a quasi-yacht club."

Prior Experience: Poirier sits on the gender relations committee and attends Zahm Hall Council; Smith has none.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: In light of the recent Bridget's raid, it makes sense that Poirier and Smith are looking to pack the weekends with on-campus activities.

Most Feasible: See above.

Least Feasible: Getting Sting to grapple with some World Wrestling Federation competitors in the Joyce Center.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — This ticket is against putting a student on the Board of Trustees, saying that selecting the student is a problem and the position might not be as active as people hope.

Inner-workings of Government — Poirier/Smith did not comment.

Gender Relations — Publicizing activities to foster interest among students in improving gender relations.

Diversity — "This is the admissions office's area," Poirier said, adding that their ticket wants to deal better with the level of diversity Notre Dame currently has.

Off-campus Students — Getting an outpost set up in an off-campus area, making information available at the whim of the off-campus student.

What We Like: Their desire to be active members of Notre Dame's student community is appealing because they are comparatively young. At times, Poirier showed legitimate concern that student government is cliquish and isolated, offering his ticket's lack of experience as a remedy for this.

What We're Worried About: The platform is missing concrete ideas. A desire to avoid a club-like student government should not preclude devising definitive goals for effecting change both in that area and around campus.

Walter POIRIER



Gregory SMITH

ELECTION THE CANDIDATES

Matt TOMKO



Ross KERR

Class/Major: Tomko is a junior ALPP major; Kerr is a sophomore economics and Spanish double major.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "No More Bull."

Most Important Idea: Giving out lottery tickets for a half-court shot at Midnight Madness to win a partial or full scholarship to Notre Dame, paid for with alumni contributions.

Most Feasible Idea: Getting a non-voting student member on the Board of Trustees; the outline for this "already exists in the University by-laws."

Least Feasible Idea: Getting a voting student member.

Notable Quote: "We're not politicians, but we have proven that we can get the job done."

Prior Experience: Tomko is the Knott Hall student senator and sits or has sat on the senate committees for residence life, multiculturalism and gender relations, and the financial management board. Kerr is the student senator from Siegfried, and is on the residence life, oversight and ad hoc committee for the student bill of rights. He is also the senate-SUB relator.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: The realistic approach toward a non-voting student member on the Board of Trustees before trying for a voting member; town hall meetings to really "hear the voice of the students."

Most Feasible: Expand SafeRide to Thursday nights and make it more reliable.

Least Feasible: Converting the Hesburgh Library basement into a cafe and keeping it open on a 24-hour basis.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — They believe a student sitting on the Board of Trustees provides an instrumental, unified student voice behind the offices of student body president and vice president. They believe that the pursuit of a non-voting member of the board is the best initial course of action.

Inner-workings of Government — More interaction between Student Senate and Hall Presidents' Council.

Gender Relations — More communication between the administrations of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's to make Saint Mary's women more a part of the Notre Dame family.

Diversity — They cited more involvement with the diversity chair of student government. They intend to foster further ties between OMSA and student government.

Off-campus Students — They said it is the off-campus students' responsibility to keep up with campus events; there would be an information desk for them in the student government office. They also expressed interest in conducting a study of why students are choosing to live off campus and using the results of such a study to improve incentives for living in the residence halls.

What We Like: Their platform is very well-researched, probably more so than the other candidates. Kerr's dynamic personality would be effective for leading the Student Senate; Tomko's behind-the-scenes research would help him get the job done.

What We're Worried About: Despite the aforementioned, this ticket does not have very concrete ideas about gender relations or diversity. Also, their lack of concern for off-campus students' needs is not a good quality for leadership of the student body.

Class/Major: Williams is a junior history and philosophy double major; Reising is a sophomore communications and government/international studies double major.

IN THEIR WORDS

Campaign Slogan: "Making it Happen."

Most Important Idea: To improve race relations at Notre Dame by attracting prominent speakers to campus to address issues of diversity.

Most Feasible: Improving the availability and accessibility of food services and increasing the convenience of book purchases with the use of a more extensive on-line service.

Least Feasible: They feel their research proves the feasibility of all of their goals.

Notable Quote: "We still haven't seen what the (new) constitution can do."

Prior Experience: Williams represents Zahm Hall in the Student Senate and is a member of the Campus Life Council; he also chairs the CLC's diversity committee. As a sophomore, Williams sat on HPC as co-president of Zahm Hall. Reising represents P.E. in the Student Senate, and also has experience with the Student Union Board and, as a freshman, served as a class representative and class vice president.

IN OUR WORDS

The Best Ideas: Implementation of a comprehensive diversity presentation involving race, gender, religion and sexual preference in the context of Freshman Orientation; addition of late-night dining hall hours for snacking and caffeine.

Most Feasible: The aforementioned diversity presentation.

Least Feasible: Commercialization of LaFortune for improved food options.

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-administration Relations — Williams and Reising feel that it is "overwhelmingly important" to place a student of the University's Board of Trustees and would push for a voting member. They also hope to resolve issues of enumerated student rights in regards to academics and interaction with Student Affairs.

Inner-workings of Government — Williams and Reising agree with constitutional changes that emphasize the separation of policy-making and programming within the Student Senate and Hall Presidents' Council respectively.

Gender Relations — Very attentive to problem of gender relations at ND/SMC; pursuing expanded cooperation with SMC student government; access to 24-hour space also a key issue. Reising is a member of the senate's gender relations committee.

Diversity — Genuine concern for multicultural groups. Ideas include introductory prejudice reduction workshops, attraction of nationally prominent speakers and increased interaction between students and female professors that are both insightful and feasible.

Off-campus Students — Acknowledging the inevitability of students moving off campus, they plan to distribute a regular newsletter, accentuating the importance of contact between the vice president and the off-campus senator to keep those students informed.

What We Like: Their passion for making Notre Dame a better place lends credibility to the long-term goals of improving gender relations and diversity. They bring the right amount of experience, while simultaneously staying connected to student wants and needs.

What We Worry About: Williams is not as polished as some, though this brings with it a straightforwardness that politician-types often lack.

Brandon WILLIAMS



Julie REISING

OF SOUND WORD AND PROCEDURE

After a year of ironing, committees predict fairly smooth course in road ahead

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

On April 1, 1997, the new Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body, was adopted by the Student Senate.

After 10 months, the new structure has shown both strengths and weaknesses. But, according to members of the original student government reform committee, the structure is strong, it simply needs clarification in some minor areas.

"The senate has worked," said Brendan Kelly, former chair of the student government reform committee. "By making it up the way we did with a senator for every hall, and removing the senators from the hall council aspects of government, the senate has become empowered and has gotten a lot of stuff done."

"Many of the new senators are very eager to get involved," he added. "The reforms have even initiated a reform of the Campus Life Council."

Another strong aspect that the members noted was the increased representation in the Student Senate.

"I like how the new structure has worked," said Mark Leen, former district three senator and current presidential candidate. "There is a lot more representation in the current Student Senate. You go to a hall and everybody knows who their senator is. When I was a senator, nobody knew who I was."

The Student Senate has borne the brunt of the constitutional revisions. Under the old constitution, the Student Senate was presided over by the student body president, and contained members of SUB, the Club Coordination Council and the Hall Presidents' Council. Currently, the only members of the senate are those in the separate office of "senator." Each dorm is allowed one senator.

"Prior to the current student government, there was not good representation for the students on the senate," Sam Gaglio, assistant dean of the College of Business Administration, and a guest member of the reform committee said. "Some arms of the government were going off and doing their own things. It was very hard for all the students to be represented on the senate."

In the opinion of many student leaders, the aspects of the constitution that need to be ironed out have been handled by the senate's oversight committee.

"Some things were proposed by the oversight committee in the last senate meeting," said Matt Mamak, senator from Keenan Hall and chair of the oversight committee. "I think that the constitution itself is a very long, tedious document and as we have been amending it, we have been fixing that."

"The part that talks about the difference between an action and a resolution, where the president can decide not to approve an action and the senate can override that was slightly confusing," he continued. "We have cleared that up and it is explained in the constitution that the senate was acting on its own power in that instance."

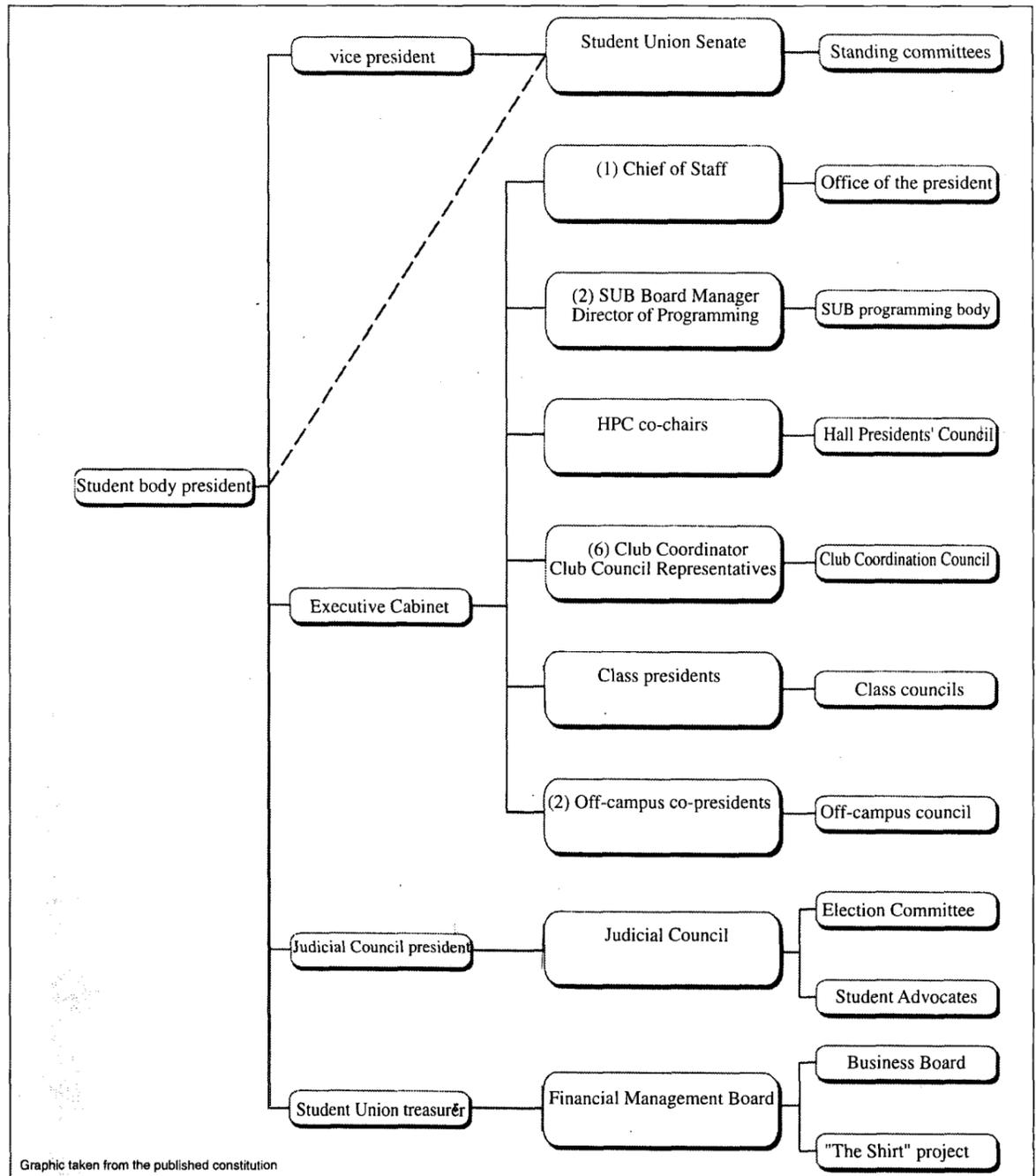
A constitutional review board was established as a means of checking the progress of the constitution in its first year. "I think that it was too haphazard in its construction," argued Kelly. "With this committee, you have to be really sure of what you are doing. Here you have an unelected body that can overturn what you do. It needs a lot more coordination."

Another problem that has been expressed, by some of the candidates for student body president, is the lack of involvement by the Hall Presidents' Council in any policy making decisions.

"The constitution has taken a lot of power to make decisions away from the hall presidents," said Mark Fennell, former Keenan Hall co-president and current co-chair of the HPC. "Some of the presidents have been disappointed over the lack of control that they have over policy, but I think that we have fixed that weak link of communication."

"It was a conscious decision to make the Hall Presidents' Council less of a policy body and more of a programming body," Kelly agreed. "The hall presidents approved the new constitution. Their job is to plan activities for their dorms. In taking away the policy, we have just taken away something that is a burden to them."

Every one of the leaders agreed that many of the problems with the constitution have been ironed out in the last 10 months and that the process has become streamlined.



Graphic taken from the published constitution

CONSTITUTIONALLY SPEAKING...

THE JOB DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL AND VICE PRESIDENTIAL POSITIONS, AS DEFINED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME:

Student body president shall:

- ensure the efficient and effective operation of the Student Union.
- represent undergraduate student interests in all areas of University life.
- maintain regular communication with the undergraduate student body and be responsive to undergraduate student opinion.
- verbally communicate points of inquiry raised by the senate within one academic week to the Office of Student Affairs.
- update the senate at least once each month during the regular academic year regarding the operation of the Executive Cabinet and other appropriate Student Union organizations.
- serve as chairperson of the Campus Life Council in the capacity outlined in the by-laws of the Campus Life Council.
- represent the undergraduate student body as an ex officio member of the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees.
- serve as chairperson of the Executive Cabinet and ensure its efficient and effective operation. Attendance at Executive Cabinet meetings is mandatory.

Student body vice president shall:

- assist the student body president in the performance of presidential duties.
- update the Executive Cabinet regularly regarding the operation of the senate.
- serve as chairperson of the senate and ensure its efficient and effective operation.
- facilitate continuity between the administrations and conduct internal review prior to April 30 of each year.
- develop, submit and present a budget proposal for the senate to the Financial Management Board for the annual allocation meeting. A reasonable date for submission of budget proposals shall be established by the Student Union treasurer.
- perform other duties as the senate may determine by a two-thirds vote of all senate members.
- become student body president in the event of a vacancy in the office.

Failure [of either the president or vice president] to adhere to constitutional duties shall constitute grounds for impeachment and removal from office.

ELECTION

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VOTING

On-campus students: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. in the dorms.
Off-campus students: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Huddle; 1:30 to 5 p.m. in the C1 parking lot.
Run-off: Thursday, same times and places.

Debates

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Senate and Hall Presidents' Council to address the issue, thereby "incorporating all parts of the University."

The ticket of Williams/Reising was questioned numerous times by both panelists and audience members on platform specifics such as diversity, utilization of the Executive Cabinet, future reports to the Board of Trustees, and the lack of campus social activities. The pair used these opportunities to expound on their vision for the University and their plans to implement that vision, citing diversity as one of the central issues on their platform.

"Diversity is a huge issue because a diverse campus is one you can learn from," stated Williams, who went on to enumerate specific means of improving ethnic and gender relations on campus including a more accessible prejudice reduction workshop, the follow through on a Latino studies program currently being researched, a freshman orientation diversity presentation as well as increased access for women to prominent female leaders in a mentor-like program.

Several platforms tackled the

issues of diversity and a student bill of rights. The ticket of Cesaro/Selak was one of the few whose panelist question allowed them to give concrete ideas as to following through on such broad promises as student rights.

"We want to expand the role of the judicial council to let students know there are those to enumerate rights for them," said Selak. "We also want to create a new position to help students appeal parking violations."

Cesaro continued, "It's not just disciplinary rights but also those such as the right to a fair teacher assessment."

Another issue addressed on almost every platform was the important role of SafeRide, although tickets saw a different means of best implementing the student service. While Cesaro/Selak favored privatizing it, Tomko/Kerr believed that this move "wouldn't be any better than calling a cab."

"Volunteering is as high now as ever ... The money is allocated in the budget for SafeRide," stated Tomko. "Now there is money to continue it, and there is so much support we should continue it, extending it to Thursday and other nights."

The pair also stressed the importance of making student government accessible through the implementation of town



Matt Tomko (left) and Ross Kerr advocated town hall meetings as a way to make students more aware of the business of student government and to provide an avenue for students to express their ideas.

hall meetings and an advisory desk in the student government office.

"We want to get students involved; along with this, it's good to get back to students," said Tomko. "No one now hears back about what student government has done."

The Costello/Boyd ticket, forced to deal with the last-minute vice-presidential substitution of A.J. Boyd for Adrian Cuellar, was the only ticket to give attention to service as a primary focus of stu-

dent government.

"We have the belief that civic leadership is service to the constituents and to the community," said Boyd.

In the questioning period, the pair addressed the policy issue of placing a student representative on the Board of Trustees, an issue common to most platforms.

"We want a voice of the students at the highest level possible," stated Costello. "But when we go in there we have to well-informed and intelli-

gent ideas ... so [the student] would need a support staff."

Several ideas overarched the various campaigns, including the placement of a student on the Board of Trustees, the continuation of SafeRide in some form, the increased communication between student government and students and the need for a student bill of rights.

Brian Reinthaler contributed to this report.

Williams

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to-day details.

However, a fundamental difference between the two tickets is their experience on the second floor of LaFortune. Williams serves as a member of Student Senate and the Campus Life Council, where he chairs the diversity committee, and Reising is also a student senator.

While FitzSimons and Murphy have experience as presidents of their respective dorms and seem to have well-conceived plans for bridging the communication gap between senators and hall presidents, experience on Student Senate and CLC is a major factor as student government moves into its second year with a new constitution.

Moreover, the president chairs the CLC, while the vice president leads the Student Senate. Williams and Reising, unlike FitzSimons and Murphy, have the background for those respective posts.

Consequently, The Observer endorses Williams and Reising for student body president and vice president.

The Williams/Reising platform centers on improving relations between races and genders on campus, something that deserves attention in light of the events of recent semesters.

As chairman of the CLC's diversity committee, Williams is in an ideal position to continue work on that front. The duo plans to develop prejudice reduction workshops for student leaders and the rest of the student body, diversity presentations, and related follow-up programs for incoming freshmen. Moreover, their concern is heartfelt; as Williams put it, "Any blight on Notre Dame's

race relations is tragic." At the debates last night, Williams noted that a possible idea for a future Board of Trustees report was the declining level of minority enrollment and rate of retention; he would not have known that was an issue worth examining if he had not already done the research.

Reising adds similar insight into gender issues in that she serves on the senate's gender relations committee. The ticket proposes creating more opportunities for female students to

'WE HAVE A PASSION FOR, AND COMMITMENT TO, THE UNIVERSITY — THE PLACE AND THE IDEA THAT IT ASPIRES TO BE.'

BRANDON WILLIAMS

interact with prominent female professors, and it says it has talked with the incoming student body president at Saint Mary's about relations between the two schools.

Reising also appears capable of leading the Student Senate. Initial fears that she could not were allayed at the debates last night, when she handled with grace a less-than-fair question from an audience member.

Besides the lofty goals of improving relations between genders and races, Williams and Reising also offer ideas that make everyday life at Notre Dame more palatable. A campus shuttle, more days of operation for SafeRide, access to snacks in the dining hall after meal hours, on-line book purchases and a dance marathon "to get your swerve on for a local charity" highlight their platform.

The blend of foresight and

feasibility is also apparent in the FitzSimons/Murphy ticket. From creating a millennium committee that examines the changes needed for Notre Dame to compete in the 21st century to labeling rows in the parking lots "Rockne Row," for example, so that people can find their cars more easily, the ticket offers a full array of ideas. Having clubs provide volunteers for SafeRide as a way of "giving back to Notre Dame" and increasing the links of communication between off-campus students and student government are also commendable.

But again, FitzSimons and Murphy's inexperience raises doubts about their ability to lead the senate and CLC. Much like Mary Gillard this year, either of these two would be worthwhile chiefs of staff if they are not elected.

As another term begins, student government sits at a crossroads. A package of vision for a better Notre Dame, feasible goals, and the experience to guide the student body toward those goals is what is needed. More than any other ticket, Williams and Reising offer it.

Editor's note: Until he announced his candidacy, Brandon Williams had worked for The Observer's Viewpoint section as a mid-level editor since September of his freshman year.

Although it would seem a conflict of interests for us to endorse the Williams/Reising ticket because of Williams' connection to The Observer — and we were tempted to eliminate him from consideration because of that perceived conflict — we felt that Williams should not be penalized for his contributions to The Observer in the last three years, and that the strength of his candidacy alone justifies our endorsement of his ticket.

Tickets

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of Boyd's senate ethics committee raises concerns about his ability to lead the senate, and the ticket has few long-term ideas for addressing gender and racial issues.

Kevin Corrigan and Brian Doherty have focused on "eliminating the common inconveniences" such as installing telephones in the parking lots, repainting crosswalks, and allowing greater flexibility with the detex system so that students can make more surprise visits to friends of the opposing gender. But although they had a sound response to the fear that

they do not have enough experience — they say they would get to work immediately after the run-off election Thursday in order to learn as much as possible — it is just too difficult to learn everything about student government from scratch within two months.

Walter Poirier and Gregory Smith are a sophomore and freshman, respectively. That alone should say enough. Without experience and with a platform that lacks concrete ideas, they are better off not winning.

They do, however, make a good point when stressing the need for more on-campus activities so that students are less enticed to go to off-campus establishments.

Cuellar drops out as Costello's VP; Boyd steps in

Observer Staff Report

Adrian Cuellar, the vice-presidential candidate on Michele Costello's ticket, withdrew from the election Friday, citing a personal family situation.

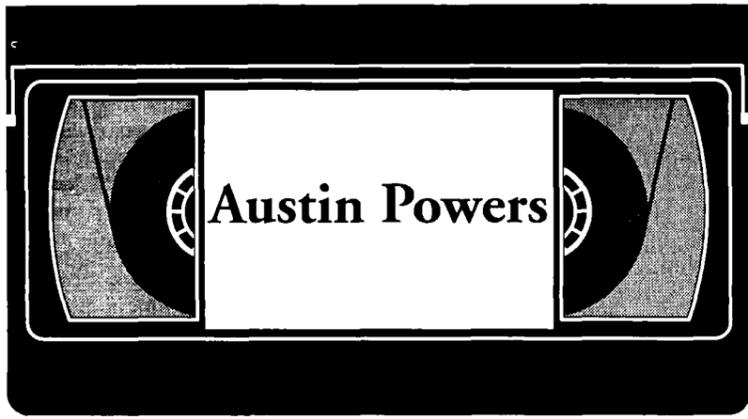
A.J. Boyd, the senator from Keough Hall and chairman of the senate ethics committee, has taken Cuellar's place on the ticket.

"Due to an unforeseen and irreconcilable personal family situation, I am forced to withdraw my candidacy with regret," Cuellar said in a statement issued Friday. "Michele will continue the campaign along with A.J., who will only add to the strength of the ticket."

"The goals of the ticket will remain identical. The ticket has my continuing support, and I fully intend to be a key player in the Costello/Boyd administration next year. A.J.'s involvement in formation of the platform as well as his extensive experience [in student government] demonstrate the contributions A.J. will make to the ticket."

"I am asking everyone to vote on Monday, and I will continue to strongly campaign for the Costello/Boyd ticket for the remainder of the election," he said.

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK



By JOHN BARRY
Accent Movie Critic

Every once in a while, a film comes along which makes you ponder the vastness of the universe and understand the intricacies within the human mind and soul; a movie that spans all human emotions, inspiring great thoughts and actions; a movie which rivals the greats of the modern era, such as "Schindler's List," "The English Patient," and "Braveheart." Okay, "Austin Powers" isn't one of those movies, but it's damn funny, and you should definitely see it if you haven't already.

I don't know about you, but sometimes I just need a break from movies that are "Critically Acclaimed." You have to bare in mind that "Critically Acclaimed" just means that lifeless out-of-touch twarps like Siskel and Ebert couldn't understand it so they thought it must be really really smart, so they felt obliged to give it Two Thumbs Way Up. Well, there's more to enjoying a good movie than being confused or bored. Sure, sometimes it can be okay to watch a film that people discuss in social situations by saying things like "It had great scenery," which is nice, but lends to films of over three hours in length. We're college students — we need fast entertainment, not "Epics" which take a whole day to watch and a whole week to fully understand. So, I'm recommending a movie for everyone's Beer and Pizza Night, a movie that's just plain fun—"Austin Powers."

From the opening musical sequence where Austin (Mike Myers) first appears, all groovy in his velvet suit and Italian boots, you'll be instantly entertained by the 1967 spy hero — an international James Bond who's the object of every woman's desires, especially in his hometown of swinging London. Austin nearly captures his nemesis, Dr. Evil (also played by Mike Myers), but the clever bad guy escapes into a rocket ship (hid-

den as a Big Boy) with a cryogenic freezer, determined to get even with Austin Powers in the future. Flash forward to 1997.

Dr. Evil struggles with the challenges of being a bad guy in the 90s. He invents these things called "lasers" which are intense beams of light — using these "lasers" he will put a hole in the "ozone layer" which will in time cause an increase in skin cancer ... unless the world pays him a hefty ransom of 1 million dollars!

Needless to say he is quite upset when his colleague, Number Two, informs him that this has already happened, and that 1 million dollars is not quite what it used to be. Dr. Evil also finds out that he has a teenage son, Scott Evil, who feels contempt towards his father for having deserted his parenting responsibilities. Eventually the father and son join a group therapy session to deal with their problems.

Austin works along side Vanessa Kensington (played to perfection by Elizabeth Hurley) who has to help Austin adjust to a world where free love isn't the common practice. As Austin and Vanessa eventually begin to click, and a relationship seems possible, Vanessa confronts Austin that, although she feels guilty, she can't help feeling suspicious about Austin and the Italian sidekick of Number Two. Showing just how unfamiliar with the 90s he is, Austin gleefully responds "Oh no Vanessa, you have every right to be suspicious. I shagged her. I shagged her rotten, baby! Yeah!!"

Gene Siskel quips that the plot, where the bad guys hijack nuclear weapons to hold the world hostage, is a very weak plot. Well, guess what, Gene — you're just missing more of the humor. "Austin Powers" is a great satire of James Bond movies, as it both mocks and honors such films which always had plots of villains with unoriginal hostage schemes and slow moving, easily escapable death traps for the heroes.

The movie just works on so many levels! The enthusiasm of Myers is amazing, and along with his concise and flowing writing, he gives the film its energy. James Bond fans will get a kick out of the many references to the 007 movies. "Austin Powers" is smart enough not to exaggerate the 60s, but instead to pretty much show the clothing and other cultural aspects as they were, because that's where the humor really lies.

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SOAP OPERA UPDATE

General Hospital

By GENEVIEVE MORRILL
General Hospital Correspondent

Carly sits in the back and the ceremony continues. Monica quickly accuses Carly of returning for money and suggests she leave for good. As Edward promises to take and rename the baby within six months, Jason invites Marino and the guests, but not the Q's to the reception. Bobbie convinces Carly to allow them to come, but Monica refuses to give her the benefit of the doubt and A.J. taunts Carly until Jason throws him out. When Edward tries to sneak in to see the baby, Jason throws the rest out and forbids them, except Emily and Lila, to ever see the baby. Edward is confident that they can play Carly to carry the baby out of the apartment to them. Fat Chance!

Brenda interrupts Jax's non-date with Ashley, who happens to be a supermodel. Are there no businesswomen or accountants in their world? Brenda tries to convince Robin that she's getting better. As she discusses Robin's feelings for Jason, it sounds as though she's projecting her own feeling onto young Miss Scorpio, and Robin calls her on it. Brenda tells Jason to stay away from Robin or else.

The Faux Mac and Felicia do the date thing, but she notices he's trying way to hard and blows off Robin. The Real Uncle Mac would never do that! Felicia and V. plot to discover if he is really Mac. They decide to check his fingerprints.

Emily tries to reassure Sarah, but egged on by Liz, Sarah wonders if there is something going on. The Webber girls sneak onto Spoon Island and see Nik and Em hanging out and immediately draw the wrong conclusions. If her wacky English accent is any measure, Emily's back in the mind bending drugs.

Poor Carly still can't touch the baby, and every time she gets close, Bobbie appears to urge her on and ruins the moment. Jason refuses to force her, and tells Bobbie to back off. Carly's just afraid she'll hurt Michael, and wishes that Bobbie had been interested in her. Bobbie sneaks Monica in and Carly can't even grab the baby away.

Tony still feels he's the father of the baby, and wants to sue for custody. Alexis tells him to calm down and face facts, he has no legal grounds. He may owe some thanks to Bobbie for spilling the beans about Carly not being able to hold Michael. Bobbie thinks it has to do with Carly's own relationship with her mother.

Jax throws a party to build support for the docks project, with Ashley as his hostess, as PC is hit by the mother of all snowstorms. The baby and his entourage have dinner in the Grill. Everyone else is in the Penthouse, and Virginia Benson and Tony share a few drinks. In the lobby, Helena wants Alexis to discover where Laura is and to give Katherine a package. Katherine is intrigued, and takes home the gift. Inside is a dress that freaks Stefan out. It should, after all Laura is wearing it in his portrait of her. How many pictures were painted of the woman?

Bobbie tells Carly she refuses to leave Michael without a woman's love. "Maybe you should have loved the baby you gave away," replies Miss Roberts. Bobbie tells the real story and how she loved her baby. Carly now wants to hold the baby and they set off. Mac proposes and Felicia accepts, then V. discovers his fingerprints are different. Meanwhile Mac has escaped and confronts Jimmy.

No one can leave the hotel and most are in the Grill when Bobbie and Carly arrive. Virginia runs in quickly, but misses her daughter. Bobbie hands the baby to Carly, who bonds with her son and then reveal she is Bobbie's daughter. The gasp is heard around PC...

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Top Ten At the Box Office

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2. Great Expectations
3. Good Will Hunting
4. Spice World
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7. Wag the Dog
8. Deep Rising
9. Fallen
10. Hard Rain

Source: AP

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6. Spawn
7. Chasing Amy
8. Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery
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10. Soul Food

Source: Billboard Online

■ NBA

Jordan defeats flu, leads East to All-Star victory

Associated Press

NEW YORK
Even if this All-Star game was his last, Michael Jordan left no doubt he's still the best.

In a crossroads game between All-Stars of this generation and the next, Jordan showed Kobe Bryant a thing or two as he won his third All-Star MVP award in the East's 135-114 victory over the West on Sunday.

Before a celebrity-studded crowd at the arena known as the "Mecca of Basketball," Jordan and Bryant seized the spotlight and faced off mano-a-

mano to the delight of all.

Jordan, called the "All-Star of All-Stars" by commissioner David Stern as he received his award, led all scorers with 23 points. Bryant led the West with 18.

But it was so much more than Jordan outscoring Bryant. It was the greatest ever and the youngest ever.

It was Jordan clearing everyone out so he could take Bryant one-on-one, then losing the kid with a head fake and scoring on a finger roll that left Bryant grinning in shame.

It was Bryant coming right back at him, drilling a pair of

3-pointers and barely executing a behind-the-back fast break dribble ending in perhaps the first transition hook shot in an All-Star game since the game was last played in New York 30 years ago.

It was Jordan popping a jumper in Bryant's face, then doing it again from the other side of the court.

It was Bryant pulling a crossover dribble on Jordan, who bent but didn't break and did not allow himself to get burned.

It was Jordan jamming and Bryant outjamming, especially on a 360-degree spin midway

through the first quarter that served notice that this would be an All-Star game worth watching the whole way through.

It was Jordan playing through almost the entire fourth quarter while Bryant stayed seated in what appeared to be an act of deference.

And it was Jordan and Bryant embracing at center court after the final buzzer, a snapshot moment worth remembering forever.

The pace stayed brisk almost the entire way, the East never surrendering a comfortable

lead it built in the first half.

Jordan helped ice the game after checking back early in the fourth, hitting a 3-pointer and a finger-roll that preceded Reggie Miller's 3-pointer from right in front of Spike Lee's seat in an 18-1 run.

From there on out it was wide open, the only suspense being whether the 19-year-old Bryant would return and whether Jordan would try to take him once more.

It didn't work out that way, but it really didn't have to.

What had happened in the first three quarters was plenty enough for everyone.

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■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Duke rebounds from loss by pounding Wolfpack

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C.

No. 1 Duke regained its edge three days after losing by 24 points to arch-rival North Carolina, getting a career-high 27 points from Roshown McLeod in a 65-49 victory over N.C. State on Sunday.

At one point during the game McLeod scored 20 of Duke's 30 points as the Blue Devils (21-2, 10-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) kept pace with soon-to-be No. 1 North Carolina in the ACC regular-season title chase.

The No. 2 Tar Heels defeated Georgia Tech 107-100 in double overtime earlier in the day and will likely be the nation's new No. 1 team Monday.

McLeod's previous high was 25 points against Florida State Jan. 10 as Duke beat the Wolfpack (12-10, 3-8) for the sixth time in the last seven meetings in Reynolds Coliseum.

McLeod sank 7 of 12 shots in the opening half as Duke grabbed a nine-point halftime lead. The senior then started the second period by scoring on a pair of layups, two free throws, a follow shot and one in the lane for 10 points during a 14-5 run as Duke opened a 45-27 lead with 13:37 left.

His 3-point two minutes later gave Duke a 20-point lead and control of the game a month after the Wolfpack had played the Blue Devils tough in Durham.

Trajan Langdon added 17 points for Duke, while C.C. Harrison led the Wolfpack with 18.

After a close opening 8 1/2 minutes, Duke went on a 16-3 run as McLeod scored 10 of his 14 first-half points.

The depleted Wolfpack went without starting point guard Justin Gainey, who is nursing a sore lower back. Freshman Archie Miller started in place of

Gainey, but he, Ishua Benjamin and Tim Wells were a combined 0-for-12 shooting in the opening 20 minutes as N.C. State shot 29.6 percent and fell behind 31-22 at the break.

N.C. State also lost starter Kenny Inge with 9:31 left after he fouled out.

Miller had made at least three 3-pointers in each of his last five games, but was shut off from outside as the Wolfpack's main ballhandler.

No. 5 North Carolina 107, Georgia Tech 100

Poised to surge to the top of the newest college basketball poll, second-ranked North Carolina survived a scare on Sunday, needing two overtimes and a career-high 42 points from Shammond Williams to down Georgia Tech 107-100.

"Williams was absolutely sensational," Tech coach Bobby Cremins said. "I thought we played as well as we could defensively, trying to take away the lobs, the sensational dunks, but the one thing we couldn't take away was Williams' 3-pointer."

Williams, who made 8 of his 11 3-pointers, took control in the second overtime with 12 points, including a pair of long-range shots.

"I feel confident in my shot," Williams said. "Sometimes I get the opportunity to take more shots than at other times. I feel that if I'm given the opportunity to score, I'm capable."

The Tar Heels extended their winning streak to seven and are expected to be ranked No. 1 in the newest poll after knocking off No. 1 Duke 97-73 on Thursday night.

The Tar Heels, (24-1, 10-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) had led most of the game until Tech (14-9, 3-7) rallied from a 7-point deficit in the final 1:21 of regulation when Michael

Maddox forced overtime with a 3-pointer from the left wing with 15.9 seconds to play.

Maddox, who had a career-high 32 points, narrowly missed giving Tech the upset at the end of the first overtime when his tip-in came just after the horn sounded, sending the game to the second extra period deadlocked at 90.

"We were lucky to escape that first overtime," Carolina coach Bill Guthridge said. "Makhtar Ndiaye gave our team a real good pep talk going into the second overtime. I think we played a lot better and were really into it."

Matt Harpring, who added 30 for the Jackets, gave Tech its last lead on a layup that made it 95-94 with 3:05 to play.

Williams then connected on a 3-pointer, Antawn Jamison, who scored 31, followed with a free throw and Williams came back with another 3-pointer for a 101-95 with 1:11 remaining.

It was the 40th victory in the last 42 games for the Tar Heels, who had buried the Yellow Jackets 96-75 in the first meeting this season.

Harpring became only the sixth player to top 2,000 in career points, with his 30 giving him 2,021. Harpring also had 16 rebounds and Maddox had 12.

Vince Carter added 19 for the Carolina, 13 of those in the first half, and Ed Cota had 13 assists.

Freshman Dion Glover added 21 points for the Jackets.

"If we can take the No. 1 team in the nation to the ropes, it shows how good we can be," Glover said.

No. 3 Kansas 80, Missouri 70

Paul Pierce scored 29 points and Raef LaFrentz had 22 as third-ranked Kansas turned back Missouri 80-70 Sunday to

extend its home winning streak to 58 games.

Missouri, which had beaten Kansas 74-73 in Columbia Jan. 19, lost for the 20th straight time on the road. The Tigers were the last team to win at Kansas.

The win by the Jayhawks (26-3, 10-1 Big 12) a celebration of 100 years of basketball during which about 200 former players and coaches during the game. But Missouri (13-10, 5-5) was not bothered and fought back from large deficits throughout the game.

Missouri was within 66-63 with 3:49 to play on a 3-pointer by John Woods, who led the Tigers with 18 points.

But C.B. McGrath found LaFrentz inside for an easy shot, and then stole the inbounds pass. Pierce scored and Kansas led 70-63 with 3:21 to play.

Kelly Thames had 17 points for the Tigers.

LaFrentz had 10 rebounds to go with his 22 points, but missed his first six field goal attempts of the second half before he scored with 4:48 to play.

LaFrentz had missed the first game in Columbia with a broken finger on his right hand. This time, Missouri was playing without a key player — Albert White, who had 23 points in the first meeting, sat out after reinjuring his ankle Wednesday against Nebraska.

Kansas led 41-26 at the half and 45-26 after getting the first two baskets of the second half. But Missouri went on a 15-2 run to get within 47-42 on a 3-pointer by Brian Grawer with 15:19 to play.

The Jayhawks led 64-54 but the Tigers were back to within 64-58 with about 5:20 to play on baskets by Jeff Hafer and Monte Hardge.

It was 66-60 with 4:32 to play after two free throws by Grawer.

No. 23 UMass 73, No. 21 Xavier 62

Charlton Clarke scored 18 points and led a late first-half surge as No. 23 Massachusetts built an 18-point lead and held on for a 73-62 victory Sunday over 21st-ranked Xavier.

Massachusetts (17-6, 9-1 Atlantic 10) improved to 5-0 in road conference games and

bounced back strong from a loss to Temple last Tuesday that snapped its 10-game winning streak.

Xavier (15-6, 7-4) lost for the first time this season at Cincinnati Gardens, where it had won 16 in a row. The Musketeers have lost only two home games in the last two seasons.

Clarke hit three 3-pointers as Massachusetts closed out the first half with a 14-3 run that pushed the lead to 18 points. Xavier never got closer than seven points the rest of the way.

Gary Lumpkin scored 19 points for Xavier, which shot only 39 percent and finished with a season-low point total.

There were five lead changes and four ties in the first nine minutes, before Massachusetts turned up the defensive pressure. Xavier hit four of its first five shots, then went 3-for-19 the rest of the half.

Massachusetts came into the game with the nation's 10th-best field goal defense, holding opponents to 38.6 percent, and rattled the Atlantic 10's top-scoring offense (86.3 points per game) with its switching coverages.

Ajmal Basit's putback and Clarke's basket following one of Massachusetts' six blocks put the Minutemen ahead 24-18, the biggest lead by either team to that point.

Massachusetts was never in serious trouble after its 14-3 surge over the final 5:30, when the Musketeers failed to hit a field goal. After getting the bulk of their points inside to that point, the Minutemen hit four consecutive 3-pointers — three by Clarke — and went into halftime ahead 43-25.

By contrast, Xavier got rattled, forced shots and finished the half shooting 29 percent from the field. Xavier leads the Atlantic 10 in shooting at 49 percent.

The lead reached 19 points before Xavier made a run with its press. Lumpkin made a pair of 3-pointers and a layup in a 13-4 spurt that cut the margin to 54-46 midway through the half.

Torrave Braggs' two free throws made it 57-64 with 3:51 left, but Xavier had a turnover and missed a layup on consecutive possessions as its comeback came up short.

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■ NFL

Draft leaves many questions

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Peyton Manning says he doesn't care if Ryan Leaf goes No. 1 in the NFL draft.

Ditto for Leaf.

There's just no rivalry between the two quarterbacks who should go 1-2 on April 18. In fact, they've become good buddies — just like John Elway, Brett Favre, Dan Marino and many of the other top NFL quarterbacks in one of sports' more exclusive cliques.

"People may try to create that, but that's not the case," Manning said. "I've gotten to know Ryan ... there is no question he is really a good player and a good person as well."

"It's great because we know that it doesn't matter who is first or second," he said. "His dream was to play professional football, and so is mine. I think a lot of that now gets distorted, with the money issue. We're not competing with each other until we have to play each other."

The two have been talking regularly for months.

"The media was starting to make Ryan vs. Peyton deals and I didn't want it to get put on a hostile level," Leaf said. "I called the University of Tennessee football office and

left my number and he called me back that same night.

"We talked on the phone every week throughout the season. We know each other pretty well.... The more we got to know each other, we realized we have a lot of things in common."

Both should be heading to the bank with big checks after they sign their first NFL contracts. In a league starving for new quarterback talent, scouts rate both far above any of the other NFL hopefuls at the combine.

"He's a great guy, down to earth. Usually when we get together, we don't talk about football that much," Leaf said. "We talk about our families, and things going on with our girlfriends."

Observers say Manning (6-foot-5, 230 pounds) may be more ready for the NFL than Leaf (6-6, 250 pounds) because of greater experience. Manning, the son of former NFL quarterback Archie Manning, played his senior year at Tennessee while Leaf left Washington State after leading the Huskies to the Rose Bowl as a junior.

The Indianapolis Colts have the top pick in the draft and it appeared evident at the combine they are going for a quarterback.

Manning and Leaf both had

long meetings with the Colts this weekend and Indianapolis did not schedule meetings with the other two players expected to be in the top four — Heisman Trophy winner Charles Woodson, a cornerback, and Florida State defensive lineman Andre Wadsworth.

"I feel I've been under the microscope at Tennessee ... I realize the NFL, it's going to another level," Manning said. "I'm as prepared as possible. I know there's adjustment to do on the field, as well as off the field."

Both brought impressive statistics to the combine. Manning, the runner-up to Woodson for the Heisman and the winner of nearly every other major award for an offensive player, threw for 11,201 yards and 89 touchdowns during a 45-game career with the Volunteers. Leaf passed for 3,968 yards and 34 touchdowns as a junior last year.

"The media has given Peyton a public image. I haven't gotten one of those yet," Leaf said.

However, the Colts and other teams will have to wait until next month to look them over. Manning, who was hospitalized before the Orange Bowl with a ruptured sac in his right knee, said he wanted to more time to heal.

Cowboys searching for new coach

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

In his search to replace Barry Switzer as head coach of the Dallas Cowboys, owner Jerry Jones is talking to Pittsburgh Steelers offensive coordinator Chan Gailey.

The Steelers gave Jones permission to talk to Gailey in Indianapolis, where the NFL winds up its annual combine workouts Monday. If he is chosen, he would become the fourth head coach in the Cowboys' history.

Gailey had a two-hour meeting with Jones on Sunday, which he described as a "getting-to-know-you session."

"It was a very informal talk and it was a great opportunity for me to get to know Jerry," Gailey said. "I've had a long interest in becoming a head coach. Whether or not it

was the Dallas Cowboys, that's just one of the fortunate situations that happened at this point in time."

Switzer resigned Jan. 9 at the end of a 6-10 season.

Jones already has had a total of seven interviews with three candidates, including former UCLA coach Terry Donahue, former San Francisco coach George Seifert and Green Bay offensive coordinator Sherman Lewis. Gailey is the fourth "mystery" candidate Jones has been talking about for weeks.

Gailey has been the Steelers' offensive coordinator for the last two seasons.

He drew criticism in Pittsburgh for his play-calling in the AFC championship game, which the Steelers lost 24-21 to Denver. First-year starting quarterback Kordell Stewart had a fumble and three interceptions — one of them on a

second-and-2 play from the Broncos' 35 on a drive that put Pittsburgh in position to take a 21-10 lead.

Rather than give the ball to Jerome Bettis, who was on a 100-yard pace, Stewart threw into double coverage in the end zone.

"There's some things we did well and some things we didn't, and I'd rather leave it at that," Gailey said at the time.

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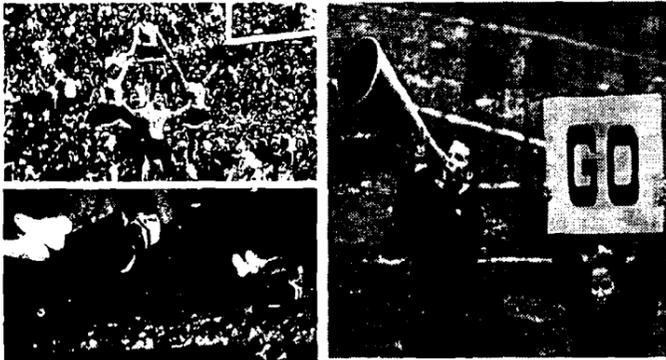
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in the season because the Eastern schools do a lot of racing early, but we seem to always catch up about now. They've done a lot of racing, but we're still going to be fresh for the Big East meet."

Senior captain and all-American Jason Rexing met provisional qualifying NCAA standards in the mile, with a sixth-place time of 4:04.22 in the Meyo Mile, the highlight event of the invitational. That time, a personal record by several seconds, ranks as the fourth-best indoor time ever by a Notre Dame runner.

"As far as my own race, I was fairly pleased," said Rexing. "I was just happy to be in such a fast race. That's the way you improve — by running against guys who are faster than you and taking your licks."

The Meyo Mile featured two former Olympians, Michigan runner Kevin Sullivan and Paul McMullen, who was running unattached. Sullivan and McMullen, close competitors over the years, ran nearly neck-and-neck the whole way. Sullivan ended up with the victory in an official time of 3:56.08, just off his own meet record and ranking as the fastest indoor mile in the U.S. this year. McMullen, in his first time competing in the mile since losing two toes in a lawnmower accident last summer, finished in 3:56.63.

Sophomore JoAnna Deeter again met provisional standards in the 3,000-meter run, with a time of 9:46.92. Running far in front of the rest of the pack, her closest competition was more than 30 seconds behind.

"I'm disappointed because I wanted to qualify myself automatically (for nationals) and run about 9:35," said Deeter. "But I'm excited for the next race at the Big East."

Danny Payton, a senior all-American, opened up a gap between him and the rest of the competition about halfway through the 500-meter dash to set a meet record of 1:02.79. This was a personal record for Payton by over a second.

"I still think I can take some time off for the Big East. I'm hoping I can," said Payton. "I just want to do whatever I can to help the team out to win the Big East championships. We

want to win that."

Nadia Schmiedt ran to first place in the 500-meter dash in 1:12.68, an adidas/Meyo Invitational record and breaking her best time by .64 seconds.

Sophomore Marshaun West out-leaned Brad Fields, an unattached runner, to win the 200-meter dash by one-hundredth of a second in 21.60.

"Every week, I'm trying to get my times down so I can score in the Big East and get a Big East championship," said West. "That's all I want."

Captain Errol Williams, ranked first in the Big East in the hurdles, won the 60-meter hurdles in a time of 7.92. Junior Bobby Brown ran 47.89 en route to a victory in the 400-meter dash in just his second meet of the year. That time is only .16 off the school record set last year by Payton.

Antonio Arce used a big kick in the men's mile to win. Phil Mishka ran 2:27.4 in the 1,000-meter run for first place. Tony Driver just missed the victory in the 60-meter dash, being edged out 6.92 to 6.94 by Michigan State's Octavius Long in a photo finish. In the 5,000-meter run, junior Ryan Maxwell and freshman Ryan Shay (running unattached although a Notre Dame student) finished second and third, respectively, to unattached runner Tom Snyder.

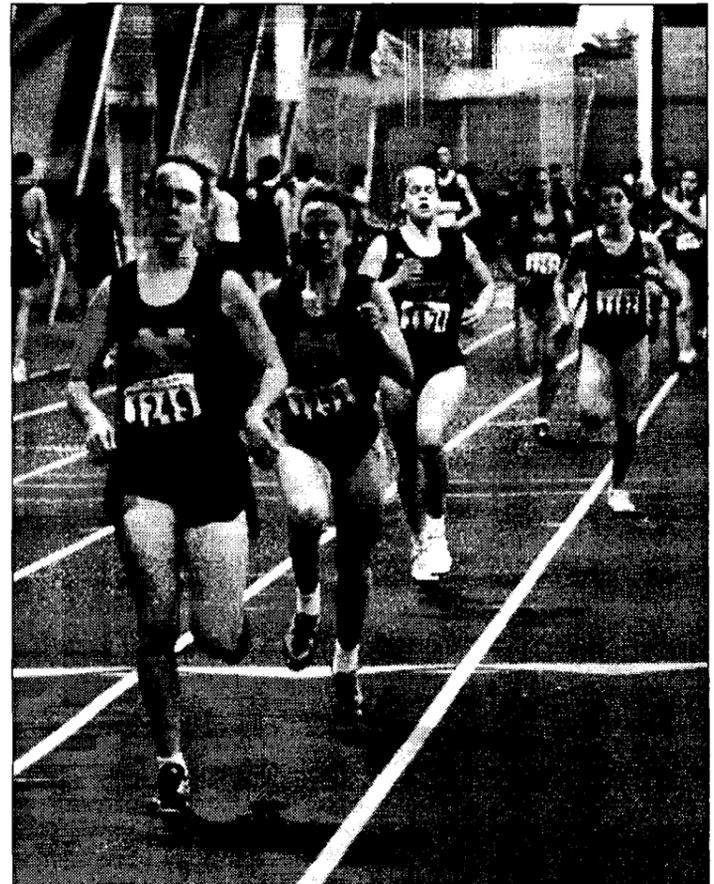
On the women's side, Erin Luby took first in the 1,000-meter run in 3:01.07, Berit Junker ran a strong time of 2:12.08 in the 800-meter run to place second, Kelle Saxen high jumped 5'8" for second place, and Angela Patrizio also had a second-place finish with a triple jump of 36'4".

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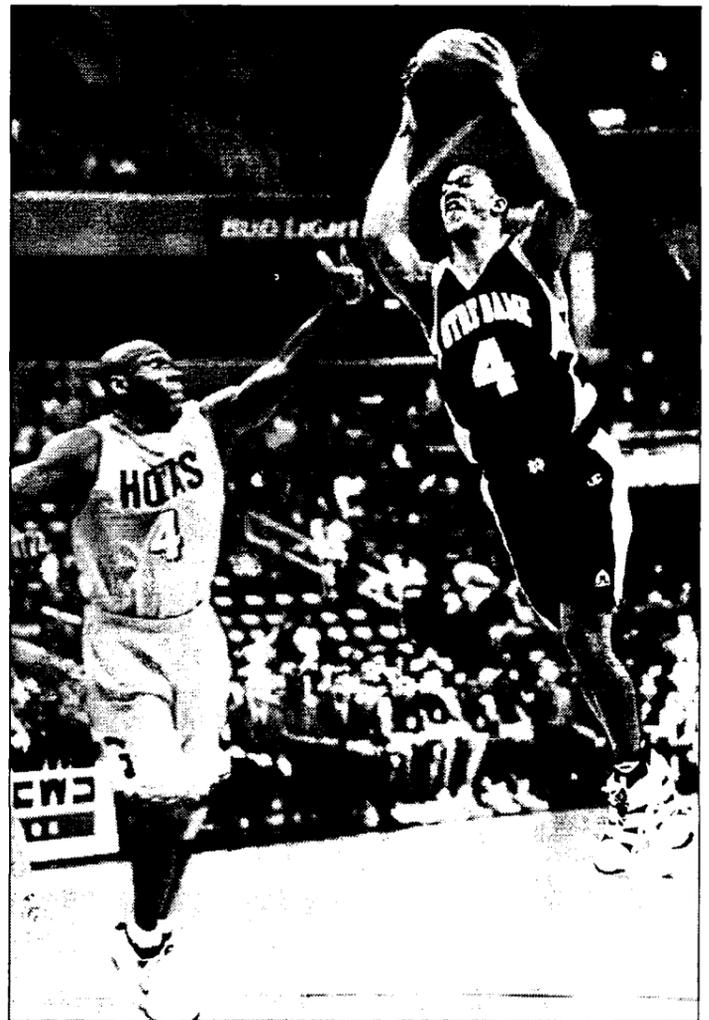
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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL



The Observer/John Daily

Even point guard Martin Ingelsby was unable to help Notre Dame's disappointing offensive performance against Georgetown this weekend.



The Observer/John Daily

Notre Dame guard Antoni Wyche, shown here snatching a ball in front of Georgetown's Joseph Tournou, scored 10 points in a losing effort.

Thompson still surprises players, fans



The Observer/John Daily

Georgetown coach John Thompson continues to mystify critics after 25 years of coaching.

WASHINGTON
The most dominating and imposing figure on the floor of the MCI Center on Saturday was not wearing a uniform. And in a 20-point blowout, he proved to be the most entertaining.



Joe Cavato
 Assistant Sports Editor

That figure is none other than legendary Georgetown head coach John Thompson, who is perhaps as misunderstood as he is successful. Only a handful of college coaches make as much noise on and off the court as Thompson. Few coaches find themselves surrounded in as much controversy and criticism as the 6-foot-6 character that roams Georgetown's sidelines and never fears to express his emotions.

Thompson's frame casts shadows over most of his players. His character and coaching style can also make his players feel small and insignificant.

The most entertaining event Saturday did not occur on the basketball court. That moment occurred at Thompson's post-game press conference.

When asked about the play of his senior captain Boubacar Aw, who lit up the Irish for 17 points and held Pat Garrity to 5-for-15 shooting, Thompson responded by shaking his head and explaining that, "Boubacar's a f***ing headcase."

Thompson did not mean to insult his forward from Senegal. He further explained that "He (Boubacar) was damn near in shock when I told him he was going to be captain.

"Sometimes players think I'm a SOB," Thompson continued. "But, Boubacar is finally getting used to me and is able to laugh and shrug it off when I call him a dirty name."

Fans and critics also misunderstand Thompson who has been accused of being a racist because he does not recruit white athletes. But what Thompson has done still dazzles those fans and critics.

Everyone knows about the tradition of Georgetown basketball: the 23 consecutive post-season appearances, the 1984 national championship, the three Final Four appearances, and sending 25 players into the NBA draft. But Thompson's greatest accomplishment cannot be seen on the basketball court.

At one of the finest Catholic universities in the United States, Thompson has graduated 75 of 77 student-athletes who have stayed four years. Georgetown's squad currently has three athletes from Africa on the roster. These three kids are earning their college degrees at Georgetown, and that is due to Thompson.

One will not find Georgetown in the Final Four this March as the past few years have not been typical Georgetown basketball. Last year the Hoyas lost in the first round of the Big Dance and the squad is currently 12-9 overall and 5-8 in the Big East.

Freshman point guard Kenny Brunner has left campus, and Thompson said that he did not know where the California native was but assumed that he was headed home.

The state of Georgetown basketball is certainly not at its peak, but Thompson still expressed pride in his players.

Saturday, Thompson's squad broke a three-game losing streak, and he discussed the win after the game and how sometimes winning is not everything.

"We'll take a win any way we can," Thompson explained. "But, this is a darn decent group of kids, and they have worked hard in every game this year."

Love him or hate him, one must respect him.

B-ball

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Irish head coach John MacLeod. "You have to give them credit. It seemed like everything we tried they had an answer for."

Notre Dame's inability to protect the ball (20 turnovers compared to just 11 for Georgetown) and combined with a mediocre shooting effort (21-for-47 from the field, 12-for-20 at the line) spelled doom for the Irish.

"They did a great job of changing defenses," said MacLeod. "We turned it over, and they got lay-ups. Against other teams, we're able to get back and recover. But they were so quick to the other end that they had the ball on the rim before we could recover."

With Friel sidelined for the second straight game with a thigh contusion, the Irish were in desperate need for some offensive punch. However, as Saturday proved, Notre Dame has virtually no offensive attack if Garrity is not on his game.

"We've got to give him some help," said forward Derek Manner. "It's not fair to expect him to do it all by himself."

With just five games remaining on the schedule, the team's success seems to hinge on two key factors. First, Garrity must regain the form that has earned him the recognition as the league's best player.

Since that is certainly likely, the second factor may be even more important. Friel, the team's only other offensive threat, must return to action and emerge as a legitimate complement to Garrity. That will take some of the pressure off Garrity, and at the same time, give the Irish another option if Garrity suffers through an off night.

"I feel I can be a guy who can help pick up the slack when Pat's having an off night," said Friel. "The bottom line is that somebody has to step up and come through if Pat happens to be struggling."

Otherwise, it will just be that same old story.

Hockey

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goaltender Matt Eisler.

"Eisler did a really good job for us," said Poulin. "This was a very difficult game to play. There is a lot to think about down there in the net."

The Irish were able to put the controversial goal behind them and whip Ferris State University (with whom they entered the weekend tied for seventh place) 7-1.

"We played a smart game," said Andrusiak. "We didn't make too many mental errors in this game, and that's something that we've worked on in

practice."

What pleased Poulin most was the balance of the Irish attack. Seven different players recorded points, with Andrusiak and Dhadphale both registering career-best four-point games.

The Irish jumped out to a 7-0 cushion early in the final period and held on to post their first

home win since Dec. 6. During that stretch they were a meager 0-3-2 at home.

"It was good to see offense tonight," said Poulin. "A lot of people chipped in tonight."

"It was fun to finally blow someone out," Dhadphale added.

The Irish have their attention focused on the future.

"Getting into the playoffs on a roll is important," said Poulin. "Whether we get home ice or not, it is important to have momentum going heading into the post-season."

"If we can get build on these wins and establish consistency," added Dhadphale, "then that will lead us through the last seven games."



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SAINT MARY'S BASKETBALL



The Observer/Manuela Hernandez

After a nine game losing streak, the Belles are on a roll, winning their second straight game 75-72 over Franklin College.

Grizzlies take Belles down to the wire

By SHANNON RYAN
Sports Writer

When Coach David Roeder slung his tie carelessly across the back of a sideline seat, his team knew he was worried. The Belles then took careful measures to reassure him there was no need for panic, taking care of Franklin College in a down-to-the-wire 75-72 victory. "I think he was starting to worry a little," senior guard Darcy Nikes said of her anxious coach. "I felt confident and told him I knew we'd win."

Whether it was ESP or high self-esteem, Saint Mary's basketball team (7-13) has turned around a nine-game losing streak, winning its second game of the week.

Much of the recent success can be attributed to the captain trio of Julie McGill, Brenda Hoban, and Nikes who share a better connection than AT&T. Feeding each other off fast breaks, no-look passes and long-court allyoops have become routine for the seniors.

"I feel really comfortable getting them the ball," Nikes said after chipping in with 11 points and five assists. "When we get the break going we run the floor well, and it's almost a definite conversion."

McGill agreed, "I think Brenda, Darcy and I are really coming together. I feel I just know where they are on the court."

The Belles may have relied on gut-feeling, but they could not have known how intense and close the game would run. Despite defeating Franklin last year by more than 20 points and with the suspension of five Grizzlies, the Belles still expected an intense matchup.

"I'm excited we came through," Roeder said. "We knew it would be a tough game."

The lead switched constantly in the first half. The Grizzlies opened the game with a three-pointer but were quickly answered as the Belles went on a 6-0 run. Franklin, led by 6-foot-1 center Anne Heile with 18 points in the game, came

back with their own 7-0 shooting spree. The half appropriately ended in a 31-31 tie.

Saint Mary's came out of the locker room strong, going on a 9-0 run to lead 39-33. The pack was led by McGill who racked up an astonishing 32 points, 10 rebounds, and 8 steals. The 5-foot-10 forward poured it on at the line, in the paint and under the hoop. Hoban also took it a notch higher, playing an aggressive game with 17 points and 12 rebounds and drawing jeers from the opposing crowd.

But not even Franklin fans with homemade noise-makers of empty pop bottles containing pebbles could silence the Belles. Saint Mary's took full advantage of the Grizzlies' 23 turnovers and drove it down the court and Franklin's throat.

Despite an all-court effort by both teams, the victory pended on performance at the free-throw line.

After two Nikes free throws with less than two minutes remaining, Saint Mary's came back from a five-point deficit to trail by only one. Less than a minute later, it was McGill at the line who inched the Belles to a one-point lead.

But after Franklin missed three attempts at the line, everything depended on Charlotte Albrecht to pull the game to a Franklin three-point must. With 11 seconds remaining, Albrecht sunk both shots with ease giving Saint Mary's the 75-72 edge. The Grizzlies faltered in the final seconds as Amy Johnson airballed her three-point attempt.

"I was pretty nervous," said Albrecht, who finished with 10 points and 10 rebounds. "I thought, 'I do this everyday at practice.'"

With the momentum of their recent success, Albrecht and company are out to prove practice does make perfect. Or at least close to it as they try to improve their lackluster record while keeping their coach on edge.

"I don't think he planned for it to go down to the wire," McGill said of Roeder. "We like to keep him on his toes."

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OLYMPIC UPDATES

Speedskating records fall in first day of competition

Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan

Bart Veldkamp streaked across the finish line, thrusting his arms through the frigid air to salute the singing, swaying crowd. He had just skated the best race of his life, a world record by more than two seconds, yet he knew it wasn't good enough.

"I thought Gianni Romme would go faster," Veldkamp said.

Actually, it was another Dutch skater, Rintje Ritsma, who eclipsed Veldkamp's world record in the men's 5,000-meter race before Romme ever stepped on the ice Sunday.

By the time Romme crouched into his starting position, ready to cap off a remarkable first day of Olympic speedskating at M-Wave, everyone prepared for him to reclaim the world record that was his at the beginning of the day.

"After watching Gianni for two or three laps, I knew I was second," Ritsma said. "So it was easy to watch."

M-Wave, its massive roof towering 141 feet above the ice, doesn't provide the intimacy of Lillehammer's Viking Ship, where Johann Olav Koss eclipsed the 10,000 record by nearly 13 seconds four years ago.

Snowstorm postpones downhill events

Associated Press

HABUKA, Japan

In Japan, good winter weather doesn't last long.

First fog, then a snowstorm forced the men's downhill — the premier event of the Winter Olympics — to be postponed from Sunday until Wednesday.

More than a foot of new snow overnight on the Happo 'one course forced a 1 hour, 45-minute delay in the start of the men's combined slalom. Heavy snow at the snowboarding venue on Mount Yakebitai forced postponement of the women's giant slalom until Tuesday (Monday night EST).

The International Olympic Committee can only hope that Japan's history of bad weather for world-class skiing doesn't repeat itself. In 1993, training went off without a hitch at Morioka in northern Japan, but the scheduled start of the World Championship brought some of the worst weather in the history of skiing.

Day after day, the men's and women's speed events, the downhill and super-G, were set back by a combination of snow, wind and rain. Slaloms and giant slaloms were moved up as officials waited for a day, any day, with acceptable weather. When they got it, they ran both downhills the same day.



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Russia	1	1	0	2
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Belgium	0	0	1	1
Norway	0	0	1	1
Switzerland	0	0	1	1

G-Gold, S-Silver, B-Bronze

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Granato makes Olympic history

Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan

It was the goal she'd been waiting for and, once the day arrived, Cammi Granato didn't have to wait long.

The last obstacle between her and the Olympic record books — Chinese goalie Guo Hong — had fallen and the goal mouth yawned wide.

Less than eight minutes into Sunday's game, Granato became the first member of the U.S. women's ice hockey team to score a goal in the Olympics. She added the game's final goal, too, as the United States defeated China 5-0.

Both scores — the first on a power play — came as Granato pounced on rebounds fluttering just outside Guo's reach.

"I just saw a loose puck," she said. "I had room to jump on it and I banged it home. It was a really nice feeling."

Top-ranked Canada defeated Japan 13-0 and Finland beat Sweden 6-0 in the other games Sunday.

In just one game, Granato has already scored more Olympic goals than her brother, the San Jose Sharks' Tony Granato. He had one goal and seven assists in six games at the 1988 Olympics.

"That's a good thing to remember," she said with a laugh. "Maybe we'll get a little competition going."

Granato is captain of the U.S. team and is one of only three members who have been with the squad since it was formed for the 1990 Women's World Championship.

She grew up in Downers Grove, Ill., playing basement shinny with four brothers and her sister and rebuffing her mother's attempts to guide her toward figure skating.

She replayed the memories on Sunday, reading a poem her brother Robby had written to remind her of the trip from those childhood games to these Winter Games.

It "sort of sums up everything I've gone through early on and where I'm at right now," she said. "I kept read-



KRT Photo

Cammi Granato celebrates with a teammate after becoming the first member of the U.S. women's hockey team to score a goal in the Olympics.

ing that over and over while I listened to my music and visualized positive things.

"That's really when you feel it. This was something we've worked for so long, it's not the time to mess up. It's time to go all the way."

Two of the team's other goals were scored by a pair of its rising stars, defenseman Tara Mounsey and forward Jennifer Schmidgall, both 19 years old.

Mounsey set up Karyn Bye's power play goal near the end of the first and fired home a slap shot in the second period. Schmidgall grabbed another rebound to put the United States ahead 4-0 in the middle of the third.

The powerful Mounsey, captain of

the boys' team at her high school in Concord, N.H., forced the puck deep into the Chinese zone twice before finally scoring from near the blue line.

"I just one timed it hoping to get it on net or keep it in the zone. I didn't care if it went in," she said.

The ebullient Schmidgall, in her first year with the team, waved to her parents in the stands after scoring.

"I was so excited," she said. "I just came around the net and all of a sudden the rebound came out and I was in the right spot. I took it and waited for the goalie to fall down and I just put it in."

Guo stopped 26 of the 31 shots she faced. China managed only 10 shots on U.S. goalie Sarah Tueting.

FIGURE SKATING

Low scores mar 'best ever' performance

Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan

The crowd didn't like the marks, booing as they flashed across the scoreboard, and the coach wasn't any happier.

But if it's a judging controversy you want, you're not going to get it from U.S. pairs skaters Kyoko Ina and Jason Dungjen.

"You can't control the judges; you can only control what you do," Dungjen said. "We're happy with where we are."

That's in fourth place, despite a clean short program Sunday that coach Peter Burrows called their best ever. Not as pleasing to him were their marks, ranging from 5.4 to 5.7 for technical merit and 5.3 to 5.7 for artistry.

"They must be watching a different ballgame," Burrows said of the judges on the low end.

Oksana Kazakova and Artur Dmitriev, who won gold in 1992 and silver in 1994 with a different partner, were in first place after Sunday's short program, worth one-third of the final score.

World champions Mandy Woetzel and Ingo Steuer were second, even though Steuer has a bum shoulder

that hurt so badly he needed three injections of anti-inflammatory vitamins before he skated.

Just ahead of Dungjen and Ina in third were pre-Olympic favorites Yelena Berezhnaya and Anton Sikharulidze, who crashed on the required jump.

Jenni Meno and Todd Sand, the other U.S. pair, were sixth.

Dungjen and the Japanese-born Ina have been knocked in the past for being colorless. But this time, they had a bond with the White Ring audience from the start.

Ina's expressive eyes drew the crowd in, and when Dungjen tossed her high on a split double twist just seconds into the program, the fans roared. They were even louder when Dungjen flipped Ina around on their combination lift, twirling her high above his head as if she were a baton.

As the final beat of their Japanese drum music trailed off, Dungjen pumped his fist and then clasped his hands together. Ina hugged him, and they wore huge grins as they waved to the crowd that was showering them with flowers.

"It's probably one of the best feelings I've ever had," Dungjen said. "We're so happy, because we went

out and did what we wanted to do, and that was skate clean."

Still, something was missing. The two-time U.S. champions, usually so powerful and quick, were slower than they've been in the past.

They looked almost cautious at times, and no wonder: Of the 20 couples, only five landed side-by-side triple jumps. Others botched their spins and death spirals.

But Dungen and Ina hit their triple jumps, as did Dmitriev and Kazakova. In his third Olympics, Dmitriev is so strong and powerful he makes even the most difficult of moves look easy. When he sent Kazakova soaring high on their split double twist, it was as if he were just tossing a ball.

Their side-by-side spins were in perfect unison, and they landed their triple toe as if connected by a tether.

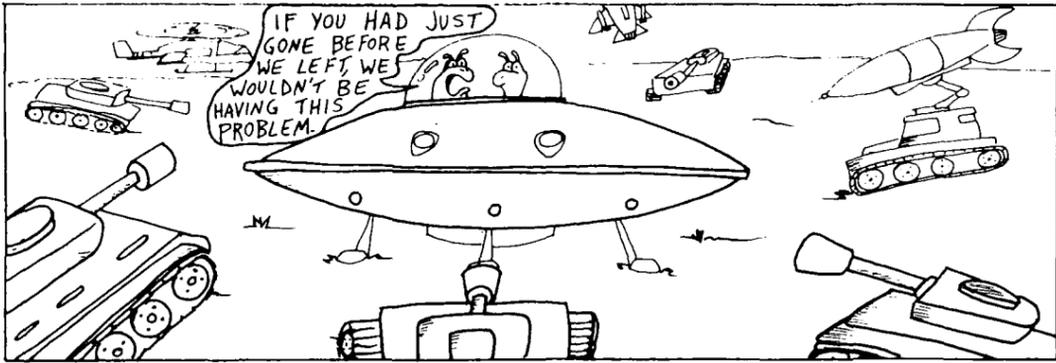
And on their backward death spiral, only someone as good as Dmitriev could save what could have been a disastrous mistake. Kazakova isn't comfortable with the move, and she came close to slipping off her edge, which would have sent her flying across the ice.

But Dmitriev hung on and steadied her. As they finished, Kazakova apologized to him.

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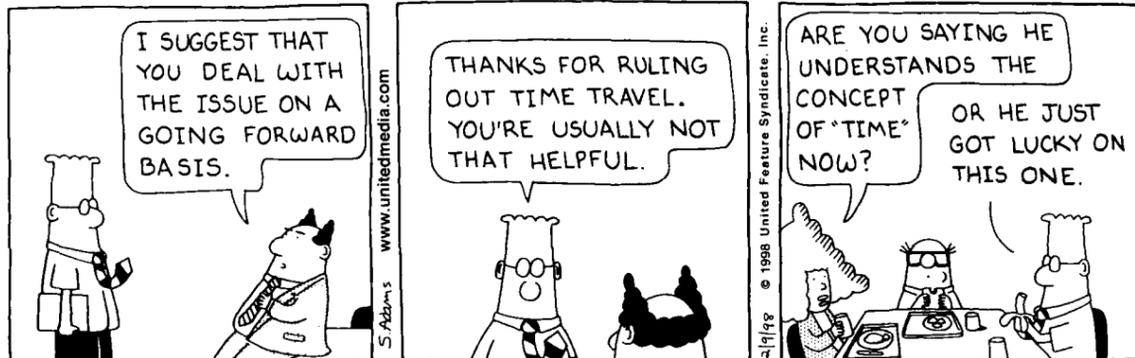
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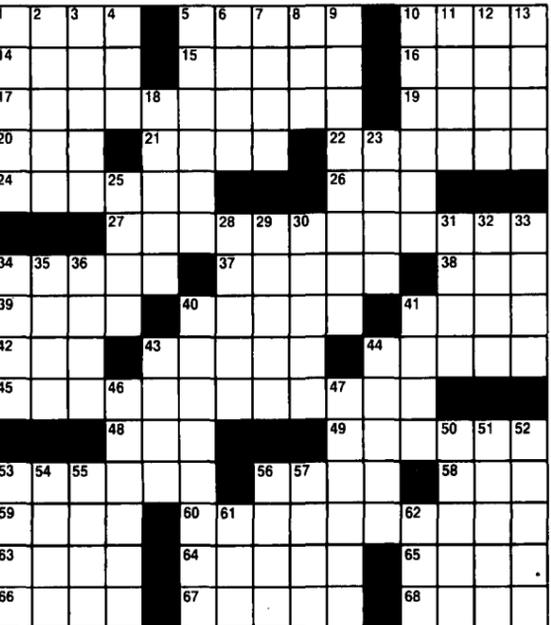
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 - 10 Sam the ___ of 60's pop
 - 14 "Beetle Bailey" dog
 - 15 It's a no-no
 - 16 Car with a meter
 - 17 Lose one's nerve
 - 19 Israeli guns
 - 20 Tennis great Rosewall
 - 21 Bohemian
 - 22 "Gunsmoke" star James
 - 24 Vulgar one
 - 26 Tyke
 - 27 70's-80's Yankee pitching ace
 - 34 Imus's medium
 - 37 Goods
 - 38 "Blue" bird
 - 39 Abba of Israel
 - 40 Opera headliners
 - 41 Stupor
 - 42 ___'easter
 - 43 Sheets, pillowcases, etc.
 - 44 Put on the payroll
 - 45 Old instrument of punishment
 - 48 "Who ___ you?"
 - 49 Sounded, as a bell
 - 53 Prestige
 - 56 Villa d' ___
 - 58 Actress Gardner
 - 59 Major league brothers' name

- DOWN**
- 1 Treats cynically
 - 2 Lucy's best friend
 - 3 Children's author R. L. ___
 - 4 League: Abbr.
 - 5 Audiophile's setup
 - 6 Quitter's word
 - 7 "It's ___!" (proud parents' phrase)
 - 8 Singer Rawls
 - 9 Shepherd's pie ingredients
 - 10 Publicity seekers' acts
 - 11 Smog
 - 12 X or Y, on a graph
 - 13 Ole ___
 - 18 Nonmusician's musical instrument
 - 23 Flagmaker Betsy
 - 25 Opposed to, in the backwoods
 - 28 Playground equipment
 - 29 Overhangs
 - 30 Quaint dance
 - 33 "___ the Mood for Love"
 - 34 Actress Samantha
 - 35 Microwave, slangily
 - 36 Grandmother, affectionately
 - 37 Immunizations
 - 38 ___ off (plenty mad)



Puzzle by Fred Piscop

- 30 Research money
- 31 Not quite shut
- 32 Stare, as at a crystal ball
- 33 Checked out
- 34 Pull apart
- 35 "___ Ben Adhem"
- 36 Jeanne ___ (French saint)
- 40 Eating alcoves
- 41 Pickle flavoring
- 43 Italian money
- 44 Nonsense
- 46 Hawaiian medicine man
- 47 Frolicking animals
- 50 Lash ___ of old westerns
- 51 Call forth
- 52 Went out with
- 53 Old Testament murderer
- 54 ___ mater
- 55 Nickel or copper, but not tin
- 56 Therefore
- 57 Three-player card game
- 61 "Yecch!"
- 62 Blaster's need

Answers to any three clues in this puzzle are available by touch-tone phone: 1-900-420-5656 (75¢ per minute). Annual subscriptions are available for the best of Sunday crosswords from the last 50 years: 1-888-7-ACROSS.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



YOUR HOROSCOPE

Aries: Spend your energy in pursuit of fun and romance. Relationships enter a playful stage today. Your sense of humor runs toward the creative end of the spectrum.

Taurus: The time has come to clean house and to make sure that a mess of this size never happens again. The way you live is a picture of your pride and humility. Your personal affect is influenced by your family dynamic.

Gemini: Style counts for a lot today. You appreciate the message but are repulsed by the messenger. You win a contest by totally outclassing your opponent.

Cancer: Your generosity to yourself extends into the lives of others today. Remember that buying a friend cheapens the friendship, no matter how much you pay. Go with your impulse instead of your agenda.

Leo: The Moon has come to visit Leo's house, bringing you the gift of yourself. Flaunt who you are. Do exactly what you want to do. You are guaranteed success in all pursuits today.

Virgo: Today you are faced with the consequences of a mistake you made. At the moment, you have no real choice but to stand there and be scolded. Your opportunity to try making everything right will come soon enough.

Libra: Be supportive of others

today. As a community resource, you may get more than your share of people coming to you for help. At the moment, you are comfortable in this role. In the future, you'll be owed many favors.

Scorpio: Your professional life promises a new set of frustrations. The best approach for today is the subtle attack. Staying with the program might be the best problem solving tool of all.

Sagittarius: Do not let someone else's offensive behavior spoil your good mood. The Leo Moon makes you resilient and socially immune to idiots. Your mission today is too important to be diverted by petty conflict.

Capricorn: Joint ventures are not favored today. Others are much less inclined to share than you would prefer them to be. Avoid all tempting invitations and spend the day working alone.

Aquarius: Compromise is the only way out of a fierce struggle today. Each party loses something so that all might gain. A relationship is enriched if it survives this difficult moment.

Pisces: The time has come to dive into your longstanding mess and organize it. Not everyone can navigate a filing system based on your personal intuition. Translate into conventional logic if you want others to understand.

Of Interest

Lectors needed for JPW Mass. Auditions today and tomorrow for juniors interested in being a lector during the JPW Mass, 4-4:30 at the Basilica. Call Jenny at 4-2855 with questions.

Holy Cross Associates is hosting informational meetings Monday and Tuesday (February 9 and 10) at the Center for Social Concerns lounge. Feel free to drop by at 4:30 or 6:00 to learn more about a year of service with HCA.

Menu

South	St. Mary's
Roast Turkey Broast	Bow Tie Pasta
Meatball Grinder	Spaghetti
Chinese Style Pork Roast	Oriental BBQ Ribs
Grilled Ham and Cheese	Shrimp Stir Fry
North	
Spicy Grilled Chicken	
English Beef Soup	
Grilled Ham & Cheese	
Rolled Cheese Omelets	

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■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

Hoyas knockout punchless Irish, 76-56

By MIKE DAY
Sports Editor

WASHINGTON

It was the same old story that Irish fans have had to endure too many times over the last few seasons. The problem is that this tired, excruciating tale has gotten worse in the past two weeks.

It goes something like this: If star forward Pat Garrity suffers through an off night, the Irish

simply have no chance of winning. Garrity must live up to his Big East player of the year title if Notre Dame has any hopes of coming out on the winning end.

On Saturday afternoon, the story was told for the umpteenth time. Garrity wasn't himself, so the Irish simply had no chance, falling 76-56 to Georgetown at the MCI Center.

"They did a good job of

switching it up and keeping us guessing," said Garrity, who finished the game with 15 points. "I'm just not making the shots right now that I'm supposed to make. It's a little frustrating, but sometimes I guess these things happen."

Unfortunately for Notre Dame, these things have been happening too often lately. Over the past four games, Garrity has been held to 15 points or less an uncharacteristic three times. And by the way, the Irish have lost all three of those games.

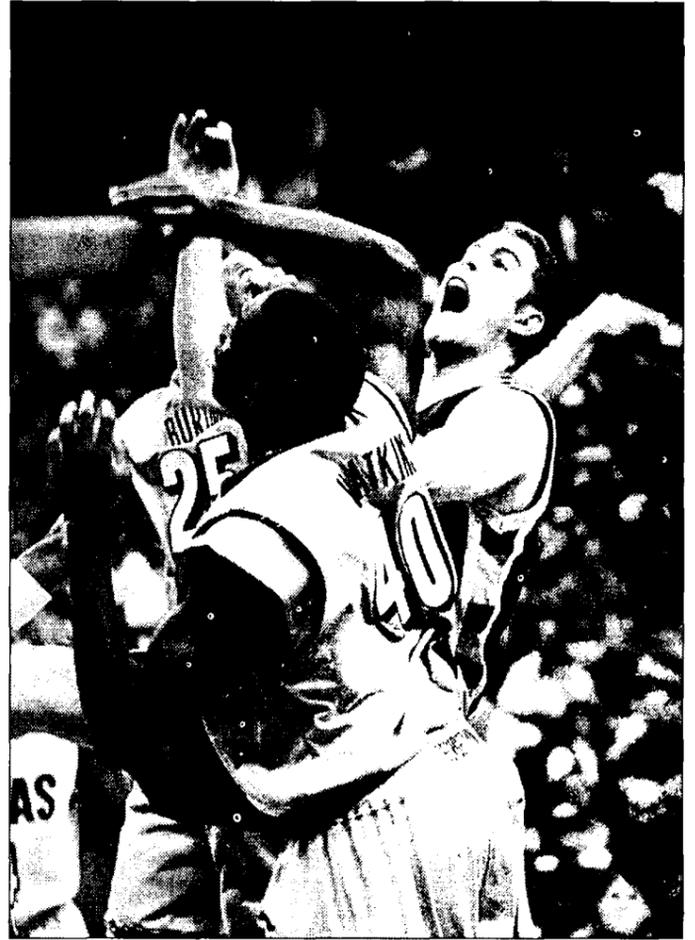
"Pat is the heart and soul of this team, and for us to be successful, he must be successful," said sophomore shooting guard Keith Friel. "Otherwise, we could be in trouble."

Another ominous trend in recent weeks has been the team's penchant for falling behind early. Only a crippled turtle would be proud of the team's slow start on Saturday as the Irish watched the Hoyas jump out to a 15-3 lead.

Although Notre Dame did rally late in the first half to tighten the game at 21-19, Georgetown answered the call immediately, finishing the half on a 11-4 run to take a 32-23 lead into the intermission.

"Getting ahead helped us a lot. It forced them to come after us," said Georgetown coach John Thompson.

The more aggressive, more athletic Hoyas turned their game up a notch in the second half before a crowd of 16,609. Fifty-eight percent shooting from the field to go along with a



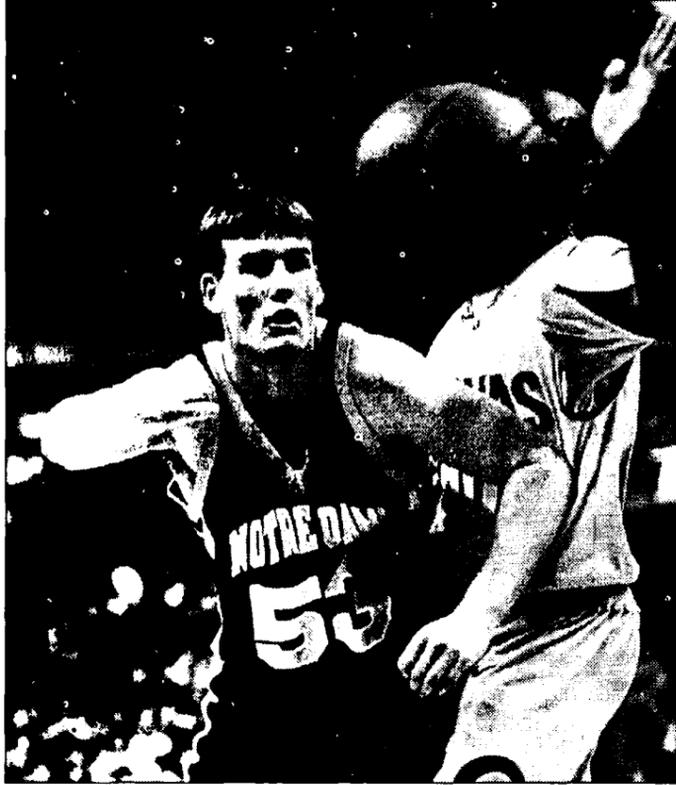
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Irish center Hans Rasmussen battles Georgetown's Jameel Watkins and Nate Burton for position in Saturday's 76-56 loss to the Hoyas.

14-for-18 performance from the free-throw line helped Georgetown put the game away early in the second half. Boubacar Aw led the way with a game-high 19 points, while shooting guard Shernard Long

added 16 on 7-for-11 shooting. "They jumped on us early in the first half, and then turned around and did the same thing in the second half as well," said

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Forward Pat Garrity, shown here chasing a loose ball, suffered through an uncharacteristic 5-for-15 shooting performance.

■ HOCKEY

Icers move to sixth in CCHA

By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's hockey team had a tremendous weekend, capturing three points courtesy of a 1-1 tie on Friday night with Bowling Green and a 7-1 victory over Ferris State University.

This vaulted the Irish (14-13-4 overall, 9-10-4 CCHA) into a tie for sixth place in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association league standings.

"To get three out of four points in mid-February on a CCHA weekend is terrific," said head coach Dave Poulin.

With 22 points, the Boys of Winter sit in a tie for sixth place. They trail fifth-place Northern Michigan by five points and fourth place Ohio State by seven points. The Irish

host Ohio State on Friday night and have three games remaining with Northern Michigan.

Leap-frogging in the standings is definitely on the minds of the Irish.

"We are still after home-ice advantage," explained junior forward Aniket Dhadphale, who broke the 20-goal barrier this weekend. "We have a legitimate shot at it and we just need to take advantage of the games we have left against higher-ranked opponents."

Senior center Lyle Andrusiak agreed. "We have critical games ahead of us. We want to finish in the top four, and we feel that it's still in our hands. We'll have to play hard, and down the stretch anything can happen."

On Friday evening, a controversial call disallowed what would have been Notre Dame's second goal and what would have won the game. The Irish had to settle for a 1-1 tie with Bowling Green, who sits in the CCHA cellar. Dhadphale

brought a sold-out Joyce Center crowd to its feet just 79 seconds into the game with his 18th goal of the season. He took a pass from sophomore Ben Simon (who leads the team with 19 assists) and beat Bowling Green goaltender Shawn Timm from the slot. But Timm would prove unsolvable for the remainder of the game, turning away the next 39 shots he faced.

Later in the period, senior center Steve Noble set up Andrusiak in front of the net, and Andrusiak one-timed a shot past Timm. But the goal was waved off, supposedly because Dhadphale had skated through the crease prior to the goal. The call would prove crucial to the game's outcome.

Bowling Green knotted the game at the 7:20 mark of the second period on an unassisted goal by junior Dan Price. From there on out it was duel between Timm and senior Irish

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Dhadphale

■ TRACK AND FIELD

Irish finish strong at Meyo Invitational

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Sports Writer

Nine individual victories, two provisional qualifications for the NCAA championships, and two meet records: All these add up to another successful meet for the Notre Dame track and field team.

The Fighting Irish hosted their first home meet of the season on Friday and Saturday, the adidas/Meyo Invitational, at Meyo Track and Field in the Loftus Sports Center. The Meyo Track traditionally gets fast results; it is the largest indoor track on the collegiate level in the United States. Michigan, Michigan State, Purdue, Kansas, and a number of unattached individual athletes participated in the ninth annual running of the meet.

Notre Dame came out on top in six men's events and three women's events, even without pole vaulter and school record-holder Mike Brown, or a Notre Dame entry in the mile relay. Brown did not compete because he is recovering from a hamstring injury, and the Irish pulled out of the mile relay because team member Chris Cochran's leg was bothering him.

"We had probably about 25 people run their personal record," said head coach Joe Piane. "That's the way that you want to go into the Big East meet, which has been our number one goal all along. There were so many great performances. That's the way that you want the season to go."

"Sometimes I worry early

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Men's Basketball,
vs. Boston College
February 11, 7:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball,
vs. St. John's
February 12, 7 p.m.
Women's Basketball,
vs. St. John's
February 12, 7 p.m.



Track and Field,
at Butler Invitational
February 12, 7 p.m.
Men's Tennis,
vs. Kentucky
February 11, 3:30 p.m.
Women's Tennis,
at UNLV
Tomorrow, 1:30 p.m.



■ The Observer begins Winter Olympics coverage today

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■ SMC basketball wins again

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