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College Dems, GOP register student voters

By HELENA RAYAM
News Writer

In a bipartisan effort to promote voter registration, the College Democrats and Republicans co-sponsored their first voting registration drive this week.

"We want to get more voter awareness," said Lisa Demidovich, a College Democrat and the drive's co-chair.

The representatives from both clubs passed out flyers informing voters of presidential candidates and also provided registration forms for students.

"We just want to make it more accessible," Demidovich said.

Students who walked by the booth commented on the convenience that the registration drive provided for them.

"I've been wanting to register at home," said freshman

Maureen Jones. "When the opportunity presented itself, I took it."

Jones, along with most Notre Dame students, falls under the age demographic that has historically had the worst voter turnout at elections. Since the 26th Amendment granted 18-year-olds were granted the right to vote in 1971, the voter percentages have remained low among 18- to 24-year-olds.

Voter turnout was highest in this age group for the 1972 election, the first congressional election after the amendment passed, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. 58.9 percent of eligible young voters registered and 49.6 percent of those registered voters actually made the trip to the polls.

The trend since the 1970s has been that young voters go to the polls in far greater number in presidential election years than in off-years.

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FANNING THE FLAMES OF HOPE



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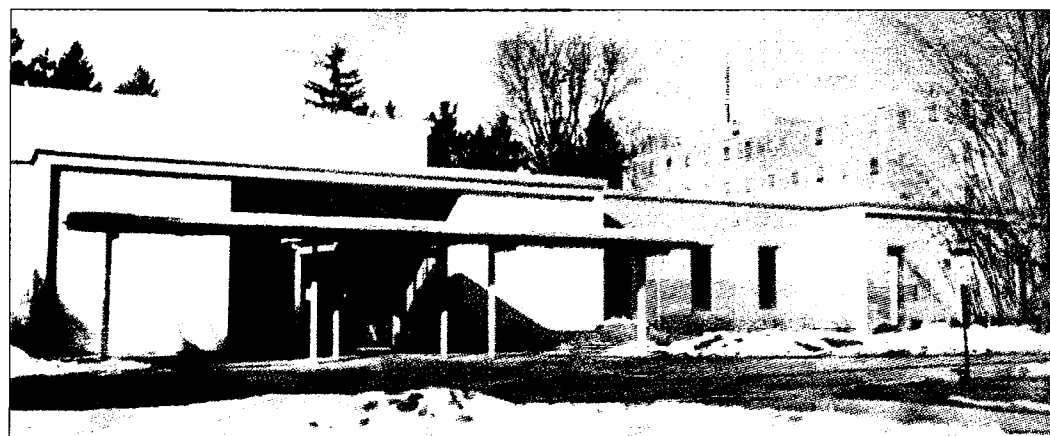
The self-styled "Matt Doherty Fan Club" barbecues outside Dillon before the basketball game. The Irish lost 61-58 in after a late rally fell short. See the back page for full coverage.

SMC remodels 'plain' Regina, adds doubles, quads

Regina Hall (below) was built in the 1960s and features mainly single rooms and attached furniture. Saint Mary's will remodel the dorm this summer, adding sprinklers, improving lighting and reconfiguring the rooms.

The chapel (right) will not be changed.

NELLIE WILLIAMS/
The Observer



By COURTNEY BOYLE
News Writer

As Saint Mary's students pack up in May to go home, construction workers will unpack to start the Regina Hall renovation.

After renovations, the building consisting primarily of single rooms will be remodeled for singles, doubles and some quads. When the renovations are complete, the furniture — now attached to the walls — will be movable.

There will be sprinklers and better lighting. All of this should make Regina a more pleasant home.

"I'm very excited, thrilled about it. It has gone very well so far. We're going to have a nice project," said Keith Dennis, vice president of finance and administration.

Renovations were planned to continue over the summer months and will be completed in time for the fall semester.

Built in the 1960s, Regina Hall is unique compared to other residence halls on campus because it served as a convent until the mid-1970s. It was at this time that the college purchased the building for the congregation and made it into a dorm. Because of its original purpose, the rooms have less than 100 square feet of floor space and the furniture, including bookshelves, desks and closets, is built into the walls.

"The driver on [the renovations]

is the room configuration is not desirable to students," Dennis said. "It's unattractive to students and there has been water leaking in through the windows."

Freshman Candi McElligott agreed with Dennis about the dorm's unattractiveness.

"Regina is a very quiet, plain building," she said. "There aren't any pretty aspects of this hall, like there are in Le Mans and Holy Cross. They have the high ceilings and the genuine antique-ness to them. I don't think that Regina fits in with the pretty atmosphere of this campus."

Front desk worker Marg McDonnell, however, has worked in all the residence halls and said she likes Regina the best.

"I absolutely love this dorm. It's cozier and there is a tremendous amount of closeness with the girls," McDonnell said. "Because this is mostly singles, [they] will come down and congregate in the lobby more — I don't know why anyone wouldn't want to live in this hall."

Students who live in Regina acknowledge the sense of community.

"It is more of a family atmosphere," said Regina resident advisor Abby Stahoviak. "Many more women leave their doors open, which invites others into their room. I find it nice to be welcomed into another person's room."

Stahoviak said the renovations

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INSIDE COLUMN

It's all about soul

I recently found myself in an interesting predicament "Do you believe the soul exists," he questioned me. My answer was an unequivocal yes.

What followed was a list of questions asked in an attempt to define and give form to the soul. I was asked if I could sense it through the faculties of taste, touch, sight, smell or sound. I was asked if it is tangible, how it can be detected, if it need be detectable in order to exist, how I was so convinced of its existence and so on. I was at a loss. My only retort was to ask the same questions regarding thought — my logical friend believes that

thought exists; but can he prove it? While this served to quiet the interrogator, it did little to truly resolve whether or not the soul exists.

How do you prove such a thing? I feel strongly that the soul exists — that it must. Yet, I cannot give much reason as to why. It is merely something I "know." That does not suffice. For as resolutely as I "know" it does exist, someone else may feel he or she "knows" that it does not. Which is right?

To me, the soul is the essence of a person, separate from their flesh and biological components. It is who and what they are. It is what they feel. It influences their morals, how they think and what they believe. I have no doubt that there is more to everyone than solely their biological make up. I think there is something that allows for the connections humans can make among one another and the sense of self and solace we can find within.

What a sad life one must lead if he or she truly feels there is no soul! To think that something as complex as a human being could be so simply reduced to formulas and elements seems ludicrous. If we were intended to be robotic, why would we have creative thought and emotion? And what has caused us to create this delusion of spirit within ourselves? For surely there are more people who give credence to the soul's existence than those who discount it. Still, though, it troubles me that someone could perceive himself or herself as nothing more than science.

Perhaps there is no concrete, tangible evidence to prove the soul's existence. That's not going to keep me from believing, though. Maybe I can't see it or taste it or touch it. But there's this feeling I get when I am with my family or close friends, a contentment I find when among those with whom I feel I belong, a confidence within that guides me and tells me who I truly am when others make me doubt. Words alone do little justice to describe it. Try as you might, there is no equation that can be applied to explain this.

There's your soul for you.



Amanda Greco

Assistant Scene Editor

THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S HISTORY

Basketball takes first step to Final Four
Sunday March 12, 1977

The Notre Dame basketball team defeated Houston 100-77 in the first round of the NCAA tournament, taking the first step towards their only Final Four appearance. Five days later, on March 17, the Irish defeated Utah 69-56, breaking a four-year streak of losses in the tournament's second round.

GLND/SMC applies for recognition
March 6, 1992

The Gays and Lesbian of Notre Dame/Saint Mary's (GLND/SMC) applied for official club recognition. The group was turned down, as it had been in 1986 and several times since then. The club applied for recognition because members felt they could better serve and represent Notre Dame's homosexual community if they were University-supported.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

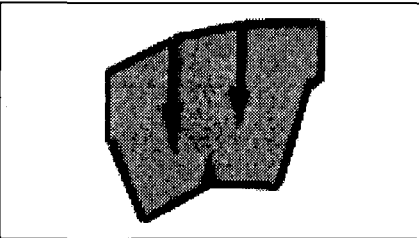
Wisconsin study shows enrollment still rising

MADISON, Wis. According to both University of Wisconsin-Madison and U.S. Department of Education figures, college enrollment in America has been skyrocketing and will most likely continue to increase until 2007.

Although the exact motivations behind the rising national enrollment trend are unknown, numerous possibilities exist. A strong economic boom, such as the one the country has been experiencing, can influence college admission trends, UW sociology professor and population expert Halliman Winsborough said.

"When times are really good, and have been good for a while, it seems more worthwhile for people to go to college," Winsborough said.

"Given the shape of our economy, it looks like things are going to be



pretty good, and will be for a while."

Another possible cause for the trend is the large increase in the 18- to 24-year-old population, which is expected to grow 16 percent between 1995 and 2007.

Experts point to numerous social changes as possible explanations for the rise in college enrollment. According to Bruce Beck, who specializes in policy and planning analysis for UW, the sons and

daughters of baby-boomers are more likely to enroll in college.

"More and more students have college-educated parents, so the percentage of high school graduates going into college will increase," Beck said.

The population trend at UW can be explained by class-size policy changes. Each year, the UW Board of Regents decides upon a target enrollment for each of the schools in the UW system. As of late, the Regents have been attempting to slowly increase UW-Madison's enrollment.

"Each year, we have an enrollment target," Beck said. "We're trying to hit those targets. It's all sort of by design due to the set of targets that the Regents have. Around 1995, they decided to increase enrollment."

Towson student dies of meningitis

TOWSON, Md.

When his friends awoke Sunday morning, Joseph Patrick Kepferle was asleep in his room, recovering from a long weekend visiting friends and family in southern Maryland. After he had trouble waking up and felt nauseous, they thought he would just sleep it off. But Kepferle, an 18-year-old freshman from Lexington Park in St. Mary's County, died roughly 10 hours later from bacterial meningitis. Friends said he arrived home in "perfect condition" after a night out at Casa Mia's, but spent Sunday morning throwing up, sleeping and complaining of flu-like symptoms. "It just looked like a hangover and then even after that it just looked like a hangover or some cold," suitemate James Clay said. "[Doctors] said unless we got him to the hospital around noon, we couldn't have done anything. They said it is the more harsh type of meningitis. Nobody was thinking about taking him there around 1 or 2 o'clock." Kepferle's condition worsened during the day and friends took him to St. Joseph Medical Center at 7 p.m.

NYU student nominated for Oscar

NEW YORK

It's been a good year for the Tisch School of the Arts, with alumni winning 10 of 18 awards at last month's Sundance Film Festival. And 2000 could get a whole lot better for the school come March, with a film by two Tisch graduate students having been nominated for an Oscar. "On the Ropes," a documentary produced and directed Nanette Burstein and Brett Morgen, was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature. The nomination marks the third time in the Tisch history that a student film has been nominated for an Oscar. The film follows three young boxers from the New Bed-Stuy Boxing Center in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn, as they train for the Golden Gloves amateur boxing tournament. Although the three face obstacles including drug abuse, poverty and self-doubt, they have allied themselves with a dedicated trainer who helps them fulfill their dreams. Burstein, in her fourth year at the Tisch, came up with the idea for the film in her second year at Tisch. She and Morgen began working together on the project and Morgen submitted it as his third year thesis film.

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

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SMC fundraises for Plan

♦ Administration lines up early donors, seeks to develop plant fund

By KAREN FINK
News Writer

Hundreds of Saint Mary's students walk from Noble Family Dining Hall to class or their dorms every day, and they will do the same for years to come.

Ten years from now, however, they may be able to stop by the bookstore or post office in the student center before they leave the dining hall.

This new addition will be one of many campus changes to take place under the Master Plan, a decade-long project that will begin this year.

The estimated cost of the plan, including inflation, is almost \$100 million. The fundraising committees hope to raise an additional 20 percent of the cost for the creation of a facilities endowment, a fund to focus on the maintenance and upkeep of the new additions.

"Presently we are in the early stages of fundraising and our focus is to introduce the project to prospective donors and [show them] what the additions will mean to the college," said Richard Russell, vice president for College Relations. "Already we have had some commitments."

In February, the College hired Bentz, Whaley & Flessner, a fundraiser-consulting firm based out of Minneapolis. The firm will help the school to develop

proposals, confirm donors and decide on the best alternative in fundraising.

"The pace will pick up now with the consulting firm to help make decisions," Russell said.

With the many factors involved in fundraising, students may wonder what role they will have in the process.

"The students play a critical role in helping us get across the message about why the project is important and how it will improve the quality of the Saint Mary's experience," Russell said. "Plus, just having the prospective donors see the impressive women of Saint Mary's helps."

Russell added that he wants to quote students about the importance of the Master Plan and their experience at Saint Mary's in the fundraising materials.

The school plans to begin construction on the Welcome Center and Clubhouse later this month. Renovation on Regina Hall will begin this summer and all three projects will be completed by the start of next school year.

The entire cost of the welcome center and half of the cost of the clubhouse were donated by anonymous parents. The Parent's Council is in the process of raising the remaining funds for the clubhouse.

"We are fortunate to have such a strong donor base," said College president Marilou Eldred.

The renovations in Regina will be paid for by a plant fund.

"The plant fund is a collection of funds that the Trustees have set aside each year for the purpose of

repairing and renovating the buildings and equipment on campus. It is funded by calculating the useful life of capital items purchased and then dividing that number into the cost," said Keith Dennis, vice president for Finance and Administration. "This amount is put into a separate account each year. These funds are then used to replace, repair or renovate the assets."

The Board of Trustees recently approved the use of money from the plant fund for the renovations in Regina.

The next goal in the Master Plan is the building of the student center.

"The student center is priority right now and it is the key to the other projects being able to happen," said Russell.

He went on to explain that the Master Plan works in a domino effect. Once the student center is completed, Haggard will be renovated, followed by LeMans Hall.

"I am optimistic that we will have the financial backing for the new center when the plans for it are completed," he said.

Both Russell and Dennis are pleased with the overall fundraising process so far.

"We certainly have been successful in raising funds for the Welcome Center and Clubhouse in such short time," Dennis said.

"We're pretty much on target," Russell said. "The most encouraging part of the process so far is the overwhelmingly positive feedback from people. To summarize the reactions, the people find the Master Plan great, exciting and ambitious. It is what Saint Mary's needs."

Senior studies roles of Latina women

By KATIE McVOY
News Writer

Latina women are taking their place in a world where women are assuming an increasing number of non-traditional roles, according to a study by Manuela Hernandez, a senior psychology major at Saint Mary's.

"My hypothesis was that most Latina college students would be preparing to enter the workforce as teachers and nurses, which are traditionally women's fields," Hernandez said. "The hypothesis was based on the Hispanic 'machismo' culture, which puts men at the top of the hierarchical chain, and reports that Latinas are more likely to be Caucasian females to

endorse traditional roles. My study exposed a completely different reality."

Hernandez began her study last year, using a sample of 20 women. This smaller study upheld the initial hypothesis that Latinas were likely to pursue traditional female roles.

This, along with the "machismo" culture, seemed to indicate that a complete study would show that Latina women take on traditional roles. Hernandez reported that 57 percent of her sample of Latina women were pursuing non-traditional majors such as business, science, and finance. Her sample was composed of Latina women from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. Thirty-five percent of these were pursuing gender-neutral majors, such as communication, and only 8 percent were pursuing the traditional female majors such as nursing or education.

Hernandez attributes some of the differences between the results and the hypothesis to her sample population. She also stressed the results only

apply to women at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame.

"Because these women are educated Latina women, they may already be considered non-traditional," Hernandez said. "The fact that they are in private colleges also makes them less traditional. Results may have differed if I had studied a public college or community college."

In addition to studying the kinds of roles Latinas take on, Hernandez also looked into the external influences which tend to affect the women. She found that a father's education level and the amount of time the

mother spent working affected the women surveyed. There was a definite correlation between the level of the father's education and the choice of role. In general, the women in non-traditional

"Because these women are educated Latina women, they may already be considered non-traditional."

Manuela Hernandez
senior psychology major

roles had fathers with higher levels of education than those in traditional roles. Also, these women's mothers tended to spend more time working.

To complete her sample, Hernandez investigated whether or not generation had an effect on Latinas' career choices. She asked if Latina women become less traditional as they are separated by generations from their Latina roots and initiated into U.S. culture. She found this had no effect on the women's choice of role.

Hernandez herself is a first generation American. Both of her parents are from Mexico. Although her mother used to stay at home, she now works to help other Hispanics file income taxes and file for immigration. Her father, formerly a carpenter, currently works in a foundry in Fort Wayne.

Hernandez plans on going to graduate school through a fellowship with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute or the General Public Policy. Following graduate school, she hopes to go to law school and practice immigration law.

CORRECTIONS

Two headshots in Thursday's Observer were misidentified. Freshman Tiffany Johnson was identified as freshman April Allen, while Allen was identified as Johnson.

A photo caption in Thursday's Observer said that professor Theresa Ghilarducci taught English. Ghilarducci is an associate professor of economics.

The Observer regrets the errors.

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SMC students serve others over break

By KATIE McVOY
News Writer

The Saint Mary's Spes Unica Resource Center (SURV) office is sponsoring two spring break service trips this year. One group of women will be going to Appalachia and another group will be going to El Salvador.

The students going to El Salvador will be on a pilgrimage. The group is composed of seven Saint Mary's women, one man from Notre Dame and two sisters of the Holy Cross.

The students will meet with El Salvadorans, especially those affected by the war. They will also visit martyr sites and seek to get a general feel for the culture.

Sister Linda Kors, director of SURV says that the experience is a very positive one for all involved.

"Generally the students say it is a life-changing experience," she said. "Seeing the passion of the people of El Salvador really makes the students ask what their motivation is and how they can be as passionate as the people of El Salvador."

The Appalachian trip will

visit the town of Clintwood in Dickinson County, Va. The women will be staying in a house during the course of the week and will take care of their own cooking and cleaning.

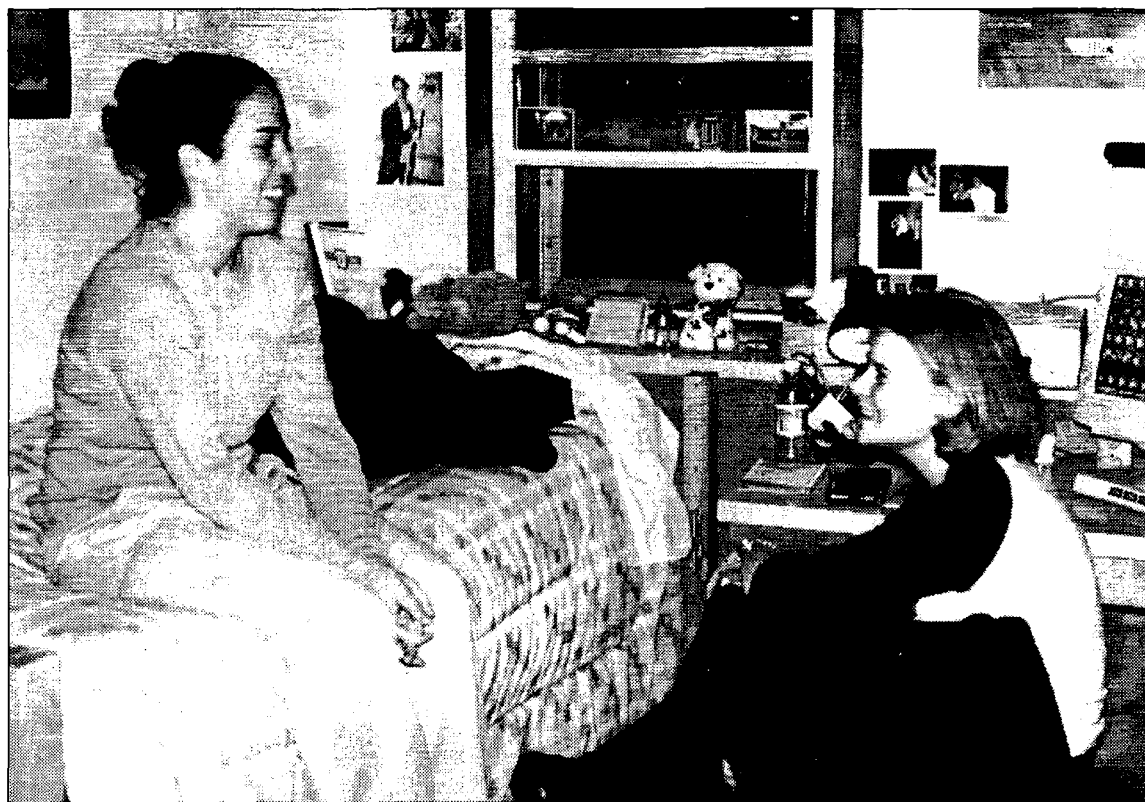
The group is composed of women from the Saint Mary's and Notre Dame community.

The plan for the week is very flexible. Once the women arrive there are a variety of things they might do for the week. These include repairing porches and roofs, replacing showers and doing general maintenance for the community of Clintwood.

"We will be doing a lot of interacting with the members of the community," said Mary Koenig, a junior at Notre Dame, said. "They told us to bring pictures of our families so we can show them to the people in the community and try to relate to them."

The women involved in the trip are going for various reasons, but all of them are looking forward to the opportunity to help others.

"My sister went on trips like these all four years she was in college," Mary Wald, a junior at Saint Mary's said. "I thought it would be a great idea to do something like that."



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Saint Mary's students hang out in a Regina single with furniture fixed to the wall. The remodeled dorm will feature more doubles and quads.

Regina

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will change more than the physical structure of the dorm.

"I think with the new renovations the entire atmosphere will change. More doors will be closed and it will become more like the other halls on campus," she said.

McElligott agrees with Stahoviak that the renovations will change the sense of community next year.

"I think that the renovations will help a little next year, because they plan on making it all size rooms on every floor, instead of just singles. This will hopefully help with the whole unity factor, because that definitely needs to be worked on in this build-

ing," said McElligott. "Also, the furniture will be moveable, and this gives a resident a little more to work with, and to arrange her room the way she wants to."

As of this year Regina Hall houses approximately 150 residents with no current vacancies. However, three of eight floors are not open for student residence.

The goal for next year is for Regina to be at its capacity of 245.

Director of Residence Life Dana North said the reason Regina is not full is based solely on student preference and upperclassmen don't choose it because they tend to want doubles. But she has been hearing positive feedback about the renovations, which might bring students back into the dorm.

"We're hoping that students start choosing it," North said. "There have been a lot of positive reactions to the drawings that were posted."

Regina resident Colleen Miles likes living there and said the renovations will add to the experience.

"I chose to live in Regina because I liked the idea of having my own personal space," Miles said. "Also, I would live here next year, with or without the renovations, although the renovations will give Regina more perks."

Melinda Brown, Regina Hall Director, has received positive feedback from current Regina residents.

"I've heard a lot of students wanting to stay here. I hope so because I think it will be really fun," said Brown.

ND students volunteer

Special to The Observer

Many students will spend their coming spring break earning academic credit by studying and applying the social doctrine of the Catholic Church through volunteer programs across North America.

Administered by the Center for Social Concerns, the unique Social Concerns Seminars program will send 133 students to impoverished regions of Appalachia, migrant worker camps in Florida, a community of developmentally disabled people in Canada, historic sites of the civil rights movement in the southern states, and the centers of public policy in Washington, D.C.

The Appalachia Seminar is the most heavily subscribed in the program. This spring, 94 students will travel to eight sites in Kentucky, West

Virginia, Virginia and North Carolina to observe and assist in health care, community organizing, education, land use, and housing programs. A special emphasis of this year's seminar will be home repair and rebuilding in the region of Bertie and Hertford Counties in North Carolina, whose communities have not fully recovered from the devastation of Hurricane Floyd and last fall's flooding. Father Steve Worsley, pastor of St. Charles Catholic Church in Ahoskie, N.C., and a 1984 Notre Dame graduate, will assist 19 seminar participants in volunteer service there.

Five students will participate in the l'Arche/Daybreak Community Seminar. Eleven students will participate in the Migrant Experiences seminar; another 11 will participate in the Washington Seminar. Twelve students will participate in the Civil Rights and Social Change seminar.

Class of 2003

There is a group on campus to help students facing disciplinary hearings before the Office of Residence Life. **Peer advocates** are specially trained to guide students through the disciplinary process. They comprise a division of Judicial Council, a Student Government organization, and are not part of Residence Life.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Chechen rebels fight to break Russian blockade

KOMSOMOLSKOYE, Russia
Russian troops encircling a Chechen village fought Thursday to keep rebels from breaking through their lines, but the rebels split into small groups and mounted intense resistance. The battle for Komsomolskoye, which has raged since rebels entered the village on Sunday, underlines the militants' ability to inflict serious damage on federal forces in guerrilla attacks, even though the Russian troops outnumber them and have superior weapons. Since thousands of rebels abandoned the Chechen capital, Grozny, more than a month ago, Russian forces have focused their offensive on mounting intense assaults in the republic's southern mountains. But despite seizing strategic positions and capturing a major militant stronghold, the Russians are suffering heavy losses.

Memphis grieves for shooting victims

MEMPHIS, Tenn.
Memphis was a city in mourning Thursday. Flags were at half-staff, bouquets of flowers were placed on fire hall steps, and firefighters and law officers wore black bands across their badges. All were in memory of two firefighters and a sheriff's deputy who were slain Wednesday — allegedly by one of their comrades, firefighter Fred Williams — in a rampage that has angered and saddened this Mississippi River city. "It's just so shocking," said Pam McFarlin, who took food to firefighters at Fire Station No. 55 and brought a bouquet of flowers to the home where the men were shot. "We all just feel so bad." Williams, 41, ambushed the firefighters as they arrived to fight a blaze at his home, authorities said. Williams' wife, Stacey, was found shot to death in the garage.

Ukraine police end siege of Communist headquarters

KIEV, Ukraine
Radical nationalists who seized the headquarters of the Ukrainian Communist Party surrendered to police early Friday, ending a 13-hour standoff. Group members said they gave up after government officials and lawmakers agreed to consider their political program. One by one, teen-agers and young men, as well as one young woman, emerged to board waiting police jeeps. About a dozen students took control of the building in Kiev's old, picturesque Podil district at about noon Thursday, sending communist officials fleeing. They demanded a ban on Communist Party, which they said undermined Ukrainian independence, a purge of former Communists occupying state posts, and called on Ukraine to leave the Commonwealth of Independent States, an alliance of former Soviet republics.



AFP Photo
Arizona senator John McCain (left) and his wife Cindy head to the podium Thursday before McCain announced that he would suspend his campaign for the White House. Texas governor George Bush scored a number of big victories in Tuesday's series of primaries and took a commanding lead in the contest for Republican delegates.

McCain bows out of campaign

Associated Press

SEDONA, Ariz.

John McCain suspended his insurgent presidential campaign today, conceding the Republican presidential nomination to George W. Bush but vowing to remain "a force for change."

After absorbing a Super Tuesday drubbing by Bush, the Arizona senator said GOP voters had spoken, "and I respect their decision. I am no longer an active candidate for my party's nomination for president."

McCain pointedly offered Bush his "best wishes" but not his endorsement after a bitter campaign that pitted a self-styled political reformer against the Texas

governor and his allies in the GOP establishment. McCain rode waves of independents and Democrats to victories in New Hampshire and Michigan, posing an unexpected threat to Bush.

Bush, campaigning in Colorado, congratulated his former rival "for fighting the good fight" and he said he appreciated McCain's kind words.

The governor said he had "a very short" telephone conversation with McCain, but he didn't ask the Arizona senator for his

endorsement yet. "I intend to talk with him at his convenience," Bush told reporters. "There needs to be some time to settle out. John needed some time to think."

In Austin, Texas, home of Bush's campaign, his aides were contacting

directly asking for one, according to a senior Bush adviser.

The adviser said McCain's team has assured them he won't bolt the GOP and has signaled that he won't make demands in exchange for an endorsement. Bush's aides have been told that McCain wants to be a "resource" for the GOP campaign, but they don't yet know what would convince McCain to back the governor.

Independent of the Bush campaign effort, 1996 GOP nominee Bob Dole has contacted at least one McCain intermediary and asked to talk to his former colleague, a GOP source said. McCain campaigned with Dole in 1996.

"I am no longer an active candidate for my party's nomination for president."

John McCain
Arizona senator

JAPAN

Cohen urges China to cool tensions

Associated Press

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Defense Secretary William Cohen appealed Friday for China and Taiwan to halt their war of words and said he hoped to visit Beijing this summer to urge restraint.

"Both sides should lower the rhetoric and lower the tensions and then try to work this out in a peaceful fashion rather than one of intimidation and confrontation," Cohen said en route from Washington to Hong

Kong for his first visit to the former British colony since it reverted to Chinese control in 1997.

Cohen's Air Force plane stopped to refuel at the U.S. military base on the island of Okinawa.

The defense chief said he would use his public appearances and private meetings in Hong Kong to stress the Clinton administration's view that Taiwan's status must not be settled by military means.

Cohen said he hoped the "rhetorical tensions" will subside once Taiwan holds

presidential elections March 18.

China sees Taiwan as a renegade province and has said it cannot rule out using military force if Taiwan tries to gain independence. Washington recognizes Taiwan as part of "one China," but is committed to providing weaponry for Taiwan to defend itself.

Cohen said he hoped to visit China early this summer. He did not mention a specific date.

On Saturday, Cohen is scheduled to meet with Tung Chee Hwa, the Hong

Kong chief executive, and other government officials. He said he would stress the need for stringent export controls in busy Hong Kong harbor to prevent the illicit transshipment of narcotics and materials intended for terrorists.

A common theme of Cohen's Asia tour — not just in Hong Kong, but next week in Vietnam, Japan and South Korea — will be China and its sudden shift last month to a more aggressive stance on reuniting Taiwan with the mainland.

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Symposium examines role of army chaplains

Special to The Observer

An international brigade of experts will examine the roles and responsibilities of military chaplains in a symposium March 18-19 at Notre Dame.

Titled "Military Chaplains in Their Contexts," the symposium will analyze the 1,600-year history of the military chaplainate — from late antiquity to the present — in an effort to draw conclusions about religion and war in the Western tradition.

Invited guests and Notre Dame faculty will take historical, theological and literary approaches to issues of military morale, fear of death, and belief in the power of God to affect human events. Related topics, including the concept of holy war, religious opposition to war, and the church on the home front, also will be discussed.

The schedule for Saturday, March 18:

Session I

9-10:30 a.m.

Late antiquity/medieval Europe

Moderator: David Bachrach, Notre Dame

Papers: Ralph Mathisen, University of South Carolina, "Priests, Bishops, and Monks: Military Chaplains in the Roman World" and Michael McCormick, Harvard University, "Liturgy of War from Antiquity to the Crusades"

Comment: Patrick Geary, Notre Dame

Session II

10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Early modern Europe

Moderator: Father Robert Sullivan, Notre Dame

Paper: Anne Laurence, Open University, United Kingdom, "Did the Nature of the Enemy Make a Difference? Chaplains in the English Civil War"

Comments: John Lynn, University of Illinois, and Thomas Kselman, Notre Dame

Session III

1:45-3:15 p.m.

The World Wars

Moderator: Rabbi Max Wall, Ohavi Zedek Synagogue, Vermont

Papers: Duff Crerar, Grande Prairie Regional College, Alberta, Canada, "Crusaders - or Buffoons: Canadian Memory and the Great War Padres" and Doris Bergen, Notre Dame, "Between God and Hitler: German Chaplains in World War II and the Dilemmas of Legitimacy"

Comment: Paul Fussell, University of Pennsylvania

Session IV

3:30-5 p.m.

The United States

Moderator: Father Michael Baxter, Notre Dame

Papers: Father Gardiner Shattuck, Jr., "Fifth Wheel: Faith, Morale, and the Army Chaplain in the American Civil War" and Father Joseph O'Donnell, "Clergy in the Military - Vietnam and After: One Chaplain's Story"

Comment: Anne Loveland, Louisiana State University

Hartmut Lehmann, director of the Max Planck Institute for History in Germany, will conclude the symposium at 9:30 a.m., March 19 with an address titled "In the Service of Two Kings: Prussian Military Chaplains, 1713-1918."

The symposium will be held at McKenna Hall and there is no charge for registration.

It is sponsored by Notre Dame's Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, Erasmus Institute, Department of Government and International Studies, department of history, Graduate School, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, Medieval Institute, Nanovic Institute for European Studies, and department of theology.

Voters

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In the 1996 presidential elections, the voter turnout was a low 32.4 percent in the 18-to-24 age group. Based on past trends showing that turnout is higher in years without an incumbent candidate, this year's contest will likely draw more voters without incumbent candidates, but it is uncertain as to what the youth will do.

The students running the drive hope to boost voter turnout, and thus increase the influence of young voters.

"The reason I became involved with the College Republicans to begin with is because the political apathy is something that bothers me," said College Republicans treasurer Katie Thompson. "We have a huge constituency, but we don't use it."

Demidovich agreed that young people could make more of a political influence if they would vote.

"It's easy for us to take for granted that we have the right to vote," said Demidovich.

Junior Nathan Blazei came to register to vote for the first time after reading an ad in the Observer and because the drive was convenient for him.

"In the past two years, I didn't care to vote," he said. "I definitely feel it affects me more right now."

Sophomore Anabel Navarra said that she feels that policies directly affect her and that voting is not only a right, but also a privilege.

"I felt like so many people, especially women and minorities, have worked so hard for me to have the opportunity to vote. I should take that opportunity and put it to use," Navarra said.

The reaction from most of the people that attended the voter registration drive was positive and many students registered. Many of those who did not said that they would try to come later.

One minor point of con-



MIKE HARRIS/The Observer

Students register to vote at the voter registration drive co-sponsored by the College Democrats and Republicans.

tention involved the candidate information pamphlets that organizers distributed.

Sorin Hall senator Cimarron Gilson who was upset that the pamphlet did not mention one of the candidates still in the race, Republican Alan Keyes.

"It's disappointing that they would fail to inform newly registered voters and they're starting them off with the 'real political process,' which is dirty and messy," Gilson said. "For democracy's sake, it's fair to include all the candidates."

The pamphlet was an 8-by-11 sheet of paper, one side with the two major Republican candidates, George W. Bush and John McCain and the other with Democrat candidates Al Gore and Bill Bradley.

Organizers were limited on space when making the pamphlet, and so they included only the major candidates,

Demidovich said.

"We were just trying to do the frontrunners like the New York Times and Wall Street Journal," she said, noting that Gilson could put together a pamphlet, which organizers would be willing to distribute at future drives.

The College Democrats and Republicans are planning upcoming registration drives, and will invite local and national candidates to speak after they receive their party nominations.

They maintain the belief that the increasing student awareness about politics will aid in better voter turnout for future elections.

"I am surprised at the number of people that came out," said College Democrat Chris White. "It's something that people don't get around to doing."



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Sklar: Integrate Catholic experience

By KIFLIN TURNER
News Writer

The integration of Catholic history in American history is essential to understanding American history as complete work, said Kathryn Sklar, from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Her talk leads off a lecture series focusing on Catholicism in America, the culmination of three years of research by more than 40 scholars.

"[The study] offers a well-developed plan to promote the integration of Catholic history into American history to provide a fruitful intersection," Sklar said.

Sklar said she regards the mission to widen the scope of knowledge and understanding of the Catholic experience in America as "a project that is making history in the history of writing."

The message of Sklar's presentation centered on integrating the Catholic experience into mainstream society. She attributed the clear lack of integration of Catholic history in American history as a result of "Protestant dominated movements" which held the belief that "God's providence is guiding the nation towards providential goals."

Beginning in the 17th century, Sklar said, this prevalent Protestant ethic created an "idealistic version of American history and one of many interpretations." She further declared Protestant domination as "the dancer and the dance." Sklar urged scholars and historians alike to create their own history in which a new way of viewing established history will bring about change and increase Catholic inclusion in society.

Recent trends, however, reveal a growing acceptance and inclusion of Catholic history, Sklar reported, that now runs in "parallel riverbeds that flows into the mainstream."

"If we could imagine American historians embracing Catholic history, it would be a great change," she said.

There are two main factors behind the growing acceptance of Catholic history, Sklar said.

One is "a distinctive tradition and its minority, or our outside status in American history," she said. The other is history's label of Catholicism as "otherness."

"This tension between America and minorities kept [Catholicism's] identity in the mainstream," she said.

The tension mainstream American and other minorities narrowed the differences in Catholic and American history.

The women's movement, especially among Protestants, is a main focus of Sklar's research. She attributed the success of the "U.S. women's movement by its separateness of its identity." Likewise, Sklar maintains that the "same inclusion is occurring in the recent integration of Catholic history." She said the women's movement exemplified "good history" and that "good history is relatively easy to recognize [making it] hard to keep outsiders out."

Saying "anti-Catholicism [is] alive and well," Sklar pointed to four tactics to improve acceptance: First, Sklar urged the scholars "to continue with Cushwa's plan in integrating Catholic history into American history." Second, she challenged modern



Kathryn Sklar lectured last night on the importance of integrating the Catholic history into American history.

TONY FLOYD/The Observer

reformers.

"Don't be shy," she said. "Use the perspective of Catholic history to make big claims on American history."

She also said that these reformers should "subvert or critique the dominant paradigm of providential history" whenever possible and to write about all angles of our national experience.

By redefining the way in

which history is written, "future Catholicism might create new mainstreams [that] will gain the wide audience that it deserves."

Together with the support of the Lily Endowment and the Notre Dame, the Cushwa project founded by Charles and Margaret Paul Cushwa, plans to continue its endeavors towards the increased inclusion of Catholic history with the assistance of theologians and scholars.

Sklar received her Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1969 and has published numerous articles and reviews, earning both Ford and Guggenheim endowments.

Sklar is best known for her scholarly accounts of Kathryn Beecher and Florence Kelley, both of which earned her the Berkshire-Price Award.

House increases min. wage

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The House on Thursday passed a \$1 increase in the minimum wage over two years coupled to a 10-year, \$122 billion Republican tax cut intended to soften the impact on business. President Clinton immediately renewed his veto threat over the tax cuts.

"Once again, Representatives in the House of Representatives have demonstrated that they would rather fight for special interests than give working families the raise they deserve," Clinton said in a written statement. "Congress should send me a bill I can sign: a clean, straightforward bill that raises the minimum wage by a dollar over two years."

The House voted 246-179 for a bipartisan amendment boosting the \$5.15-an-hour wage by \$1 over two years — a \$2,000 raise for a full-time worker. The amendment replaced a Republican plan to increase the wage by \$1 over three years. The rewritten bill then passed 282-143.


"Three years is simply too long to phase in a minimum wage increase," said Rep. Jim Traficant, D-Ohio, a main sponsor. "An increase of \$1 over two years will have an immediate positive impact on thousands of families."

Earlier, the House voted 257-169 for the GOP tax bill that Clinton opposes, two-thirds of it cuts in estate taxes. Republican leaders used parliamentary procedures to combine the tax and wage measures into one bill.

The Senate has passed a three-year \$1 increase in the minimum wage and its own tax package as part of a bill to make it harder for people to escape credit card and other debts in bankruptcy court. Differences in the Senate and House measures will have to be worked out before a bill is sent to Clinton.

Many Democrats said the increase was long past due, noting that average pay for corporate chief executive officers has risen some 750 percent since 1980, compared to only 68 percent for the average worker. About 4 million workers are paid the minimum wage.

"Even the modest \$1 increase we are debating today is not enough," said Rep. Donald Payne, D-N.J.



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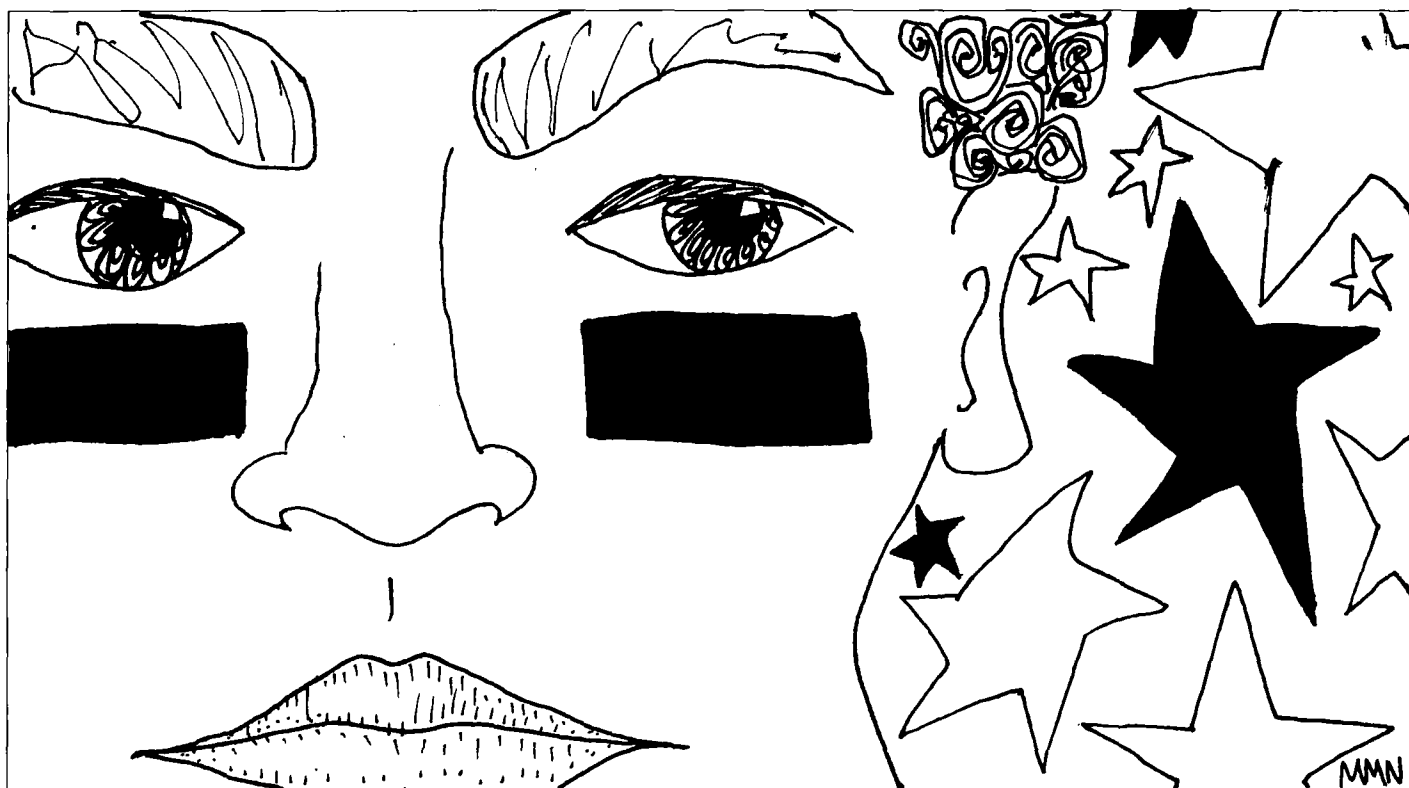
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Athletes' actions shape kids' lives

Winning isn't everything. It isn't even the large majority of what it means to be an athlete these days.

What really counts is whether or not you are a role model to the younger generation. Sure, if you can win all of your games, people will call you a great athlete, but in today's sports world, a lot depends on how you play on the court and how you present yourself off the court.

Whether we like it or not, sports have become a major part of our lives. Sure, the country has been enthralled with baseball, football, basketball and even hockey, but never before this era has the business of sports and the conduct of athletes made the daily headlines on the hard news side of journalism.

It used to be that the worst thing that surfaced in pro football was an occasional cocaine abuser (Lawrence Taylor). But with the advent of players whose criminal record become part of their story, such as Lawrence Phillips, crime has been almost shrugged at in this sport. For extreme examples, three pro football players have been accused of murder in the last five years. The notorious O.J. Simpson case was divided in the courts between Simpson being criminally not guilty, yet civilly liable. Rae Carruth was implicated in the drive-by shooting of his pregnant girlfriend. Then,

most recently, Ray Lewis was accused and indicted in a club brawl stabbing in Atlanta.

That same criminal attitude has seeped into the college game. Florida State was so beleaguered at one point in the season by criminal accusations that they put their players on guarded curfew during the nights before the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans.

Basketball has seen its share of problems as well. For example, few players are as good in the paint as Dennis Rodman is. But on Wednesday night, the Dallas Mavericks waived Rodman and ended his stint with his third team in two years. Why can such an excellent player not find a home? Because fans and owners alike cannot put up with the kind of idiotic attitude that a player like Rodman brings to the game.

Players like Latrell Sprewell get away with these disgustingly overt displays of violence because they can play the game. But forever they are branded with the label of "thug" or just traded around until they are put on a team where they are not the worst kid on the block.

Baseball is not immune to its legal problems either, although most of them are limited to the personally destructive types, such as Darryl Strawberry.

In hockey, perhaps the most brutal of the sports mentioned, two recent events have brought home how widespread this culture of violence has become. Marty McSorley's slash of Donald Brashear caused the latter to be knocked unconscious and bleeding on the ice and the former to be brought up on assault charges in Vancouver. The second instance of violence that has sorely tarnished the

sporting world was the recent arrest of Dallas Stars goalie Ed Belfour on charges of assault and resisting arrest.

This, coupled with the internationally embarrassing vandalism of a Japanese hotel room by the U.S. Olympic hockey team in 1998, all of whom were pro hockey players, proves that this phenomenon is not limited to the warmer sports.

With ESPN's family of networks, Fox Sports Net and all the various sports web sites, news and sports are becoming synonymous like never before. Fewer and fewer of the stories concern what the players did on the court. More often they are concerned with what the players do off the court.

And well they should be. These are men and women who stand up as an example to every little kid who watches the sport, dreaming to have the skills and the chance to play in the arenas that these people play in. Whether or not you win or lose is secondary. It isn't how you play the game, either. This attitude of being unaccountable in the face of the law and the standards of society transfers back to those very same kids and creates an entirely new generation of players that just take it a step farther.

Thus, the cycle will never end until some players stand up and say, "I AM a role model."

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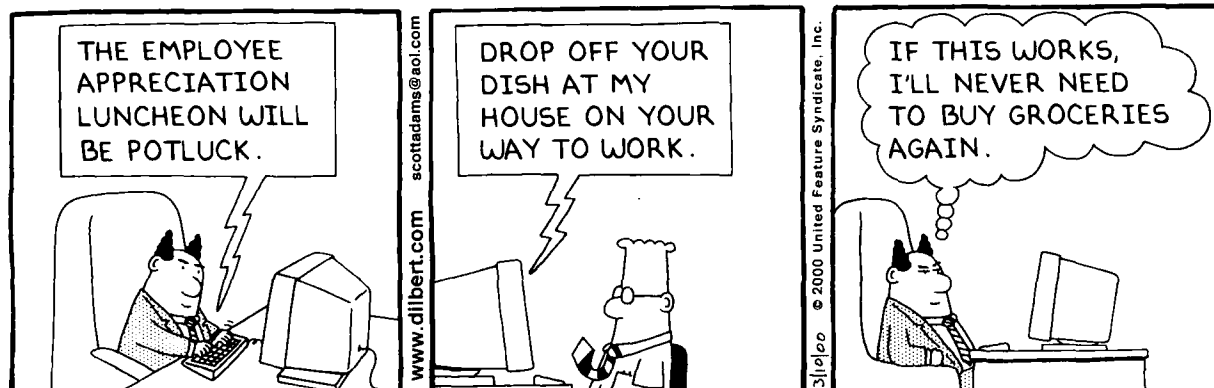
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"When it comes to sports, I am not particularly interested. Generally speaking, I look upon them as dangerous and tiring activities performed by people with whom I share nothing except the right to trial by jury."

Fran Lebowitz
author



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Boycott Denny's

As an alumnus who occasionally reads The Observer over the Internet, I was horrified by the recent stories of the incident at Denny's in Roseland.

I was, however, happy to see that University officials took a strong stand behind the students. I suggest that until this situation is satisfactorily concluded, students should boycott Denny's and all other commercial establishments in Roseland.

Your dollars, or lack thereof, are very important to the survival of the Roseland business community.

B. Michael Nagel, M.D.
Class of 1976
March 9, 2000



Baseball is beautiful

To the Fighting Irish baseball team and the Notre Dame community: Please know how lucky you are.

As a 1999 graduate of Providence College, I had the opportunity to experience four great years of Big East baseball. Throughout my four years at Providence, the thing I most looked forward to each spring was the crack of the bats heard throughout campus. That sound not only signaled that winter was coming to a close, but it meant that it was time to saunter over to the field to watch the sport I love most.

And now, more than ever, I am grateful for those days. As the former assistant sports editor of Providence's school newspaper, I was able to know the ins and outs of the Friar baseball team and was right there in the thick of last year's Title IX disaster. In order to comply with the NCAA's gender equity rules, the team lost its funding and went into the '98-'99 season knowing it would be the last time they played ball as part of their team. For the seniors, it was their final chance to show what they were really made of and to be leaders for the rest of the players. As for the others, the loss of the baseball program would cause some players to turn pro early, others to transfer to other Big East and non-conference programs and still others to come to terms with no longer being a part of collegiate baseball altogether. Just when it seemed as though the team had lost everything, they proved to themselves and to the rest of the Providence College community that they were truly winners as they left a legacy in their wake. I witnessed a team whose hearts had been broken carry on an enormously successful season culminating in the ultimate victory of a Big East Championship title.

I heard that familiar, long-awaited sound — the crack of the bats — on Tuesday and again felt that burst of excitement. Yet this time, I was walking into Eck Stadium at Notre Dame, and I wasn't watching the black-and-white Friars but the blue-and-gold Fighting Irish. I was excited to be watching baseball again and, better yet, to see Notre Dame come away with a win. As a Notre Dame grad student this year, I am thankful to be able to continue being a part of the thrill of Big East baseball and to have the opportunity to watch a few of the former Friars compete as part of their new teams. Yet, at the same time, I regret that the Providence community will not be able to see their team defend their Big East title.

To the Notre Dame community: Please get out there and watch some games this season. Support your team. You would be amazed at how quickly it could all vanish. Know that for most of the players, this sport is their life. They are proud to wear those uniforms and to be a part of this school and their team, and you should be proud of them too.

To the Fighting Irish baseball team: Enjoy every minute. The joy, the tears, the sweat, the dirt, the extra innings, the close wins — even the tough losses. Imagine what it would feel like to lose it all. Be a team and work together. Know that you have an opportunity that so many people wish they had. Be confident. Set a goal to accomplish and expect nothing less.

Most of all, with the Providence College Friars being unable to defend their title, bring home a Big East Championship.

Kim S. Galipeau
Graduate Student, Sociology
March 8, 2000

We shouldn't have to ask

On Tuesday, I was speaking with a fellow student about OUTreachND, the unofficial gay, lesbian, bisexual and questioning student group of which I am treasurer and proud member.

He said to me, "I support your cause, but your community upsets me because they ask for so much. 'We want, we want, we want,' is all I hear." In my answer I feel I have something to say to Notre Dame at large.

Let me explain to all of you who ask this same question. You worked hard in high school in order to get here, right? So did I. I was involved in just as many clubs, activities and sports. I did just as much for my church. I had just as many community service hours. My grades were just as commendable and my test scores just as high. I earned my place here just like you.

And yes, I am bisexual.

Now, almost two years into Notre Dame, I have experienced what many ethnic minorities here at Notre Dame have: the loneliness, alienation and the all too frequent comments, some ignorant and some intentionally cruel. As a member of the gay, lesbian and bisexual community though, I experience something other minorities do not: the constant and unfa-

ing efforts of the administration to tell me I am a sinner, that I am "objectively disordered," I am unworthy and unwanted and that I deserve no legal protection from harassment or violence.

These sentiments are whispered in the hallways and shouted in the Viewpoint pages.

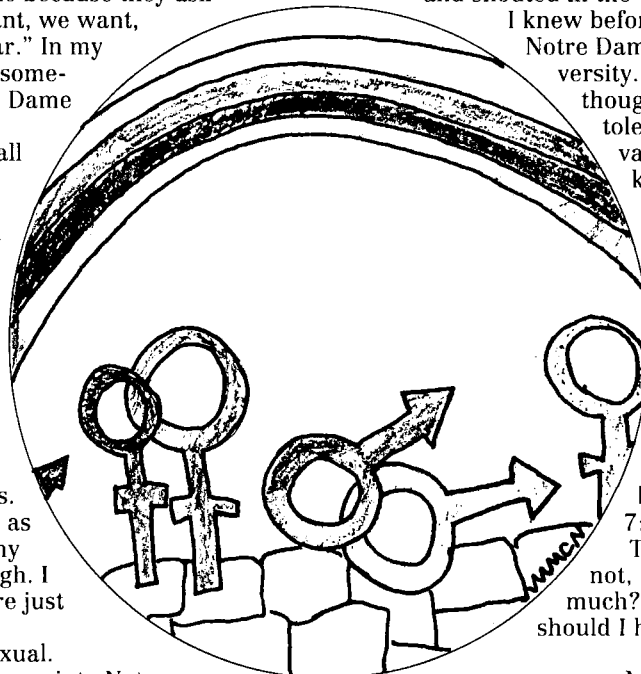
I knew before coming here that Notre Dame was a Catholic university. And somehow I thought that meant love and tolerance. To me, those values, having been spoken by Christ, stand above doctrine written by any human — even a pope.

Jesus, quoting Isaiah, said, "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrine human precepts." (Mark 7:6-7).

To me the question is not, "Why do I ask for so much?" but rather, "Why should I have to ask at all?"

Michaela C. Murray-Nolan
Sophomore

Executive Board Member and Treasurer, OUTreach ND
Member, Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs
Breen-Phillips Hall
March 8, 2000



Prop. 22 conflicts with natural law

I am not a Catholic.

I was baptized into the United Methodist Church and have lived as a Methodist all my life. As an outsider, I have long admired the willingness of Catholics to use self-control instead of birth control. Much of that admiration comes when I realize the ease of obtaining birth control and the pride many Catholics take in rejecting their usage of such devices and instead acting based on their love for Christ as taught by the Catholic perspective.

St. Augustine discusses something similar when he speaks of the unity of the heavenly and earthly cities. The heavenly city is the community of Christians within a given society; the earthly city is the community of non-believers. The laws of the land are derived from those principles which both cities give mutual consent to help them achieve peace on earth. Above and beyond those principles, the members of the celestial city are called to an extra order of laws which will help them to achieve the presence of God. Their love for Christ inspires them to enact with a moral code above and beyond that of the natural law.

St. Thomas Aquinas also parallels these concepts. He teach-

es that there are two branches of law: natural and revealed law. Natural law includes the laws of the universe which people can learn based on reason, like the principle of gravitation or the attraction of opposite electrostatic forces. Revealed law, on the other hand, includes those laws of the universe only made known through the teaching of the Church, such as the authority of the Bible, the role of Christ in salvation and similar ideas.

The work of modern social and deductive science has shown that homosexuality exists within a given percentage of humankind. Gay people are distributed regularly through every nation, religion, and family. Thus, the existence of people who have a natural inclination toward attraction to their sex is part of natural law.

The Church teaches that the homosexual orientation is amoral. This is because it is part of the natural law. "Homosexuals who are definitively such because of some kind of innate instinct" (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Declaration on Certain Questions Concerning Sexual Ethics, 1975, n.8). However, the revealed law, according to the official teaching of the Church, is such that

the homosexual orientation is one ordered to an act of disorder. Thus, it is an object disorder. Therefore, gay Catholics are called to live celibate lives in fulfillment of the role of human sexuality.

However, what about other gays? Because the revealed law of Catholics is not available to non-Catholics, it follows that viewing homosexuality as an objective disorder would not be expected to them. Thus, it is unjust to legislate against the fulfillment of their naturally-ordered sexuality.

It was the insistence of the founders of this nation of freedom from a legislated revealed theology that allowed Roman Catholics into this Protestant nation. To argue for legislation based on not natural, but revealed Roman Catholic theology is heretical to the very foundations of this nation.

Proposition 22 thus serves as a purpose which directly opposes the existence of Catholicism in the United States.

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A million dollars

Scene takes a look at the history of high stakes game shows, from the sc

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"Is that your final answer?"
No doubt everyone has heard that expression in some form; it's the most recent catch phrase to take over the nation. Besides the overwhelming popularity of its source, ABC's "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?," those five words refer to the nationwide hunger to make a million big ones instantly. It's not just one TV quiz show, but a whole slew of them, plus their numerous Internet spin-off sweepstakes, that have taken over primetime. Every network's got one. While ABC treasures its trend-setting quiz show, Fox took the idea and added a ruthless twist to create "Greed: The Series"; NBC brought back "Twenty-One," which suffered a scandal in the 1950s and CBS introduced "Winning Lines."

The dramatic question

It's 8 p.m. Tuesday night on ABC. The familiar voice of Regis Philbin invites the audience, both in the studio and watching at home, to another episode of "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?" After showing clips from the previous episode, he welcomes back Patty from Wisconsin, who will begin at the \$4,000 mark.

Centered in the futuristically designed stage area, Regis and Patty sit in two elevated chairs with computer screens attached. With a metallic gray tie to contrast with his black shirt and jacket, Regis fits in with the dramatic environment. On the other hand, Patty looks like she could be anyone's next door neighbor. The camera pans to her boyfriend sitting in the audience. Dressed comfortably, he is a bright-eyed man sitting on the edge of his seat and grinning widely at the mention of his name.

"It's time to play 'Who Wants To Be A Millionaire!'" booms Regis. Even though the rules are well-known, he reminds the contestant that she still has her three lifelines left: the 50-50, asking the audience and phoning a friend. As the stage dims, lights flash around in an arc and stop in the center. Melodramatic music sounding

like the thump of a beating heart silences the audience.

"On what date is Abraham Lincoln's actual birthday? Is it: a) February 12, b) February 14, c) February 18 or d) February 22?" the host asks.

Hey, I know the answer

An interesting point of difference between the quiz shows of the 1950s and those of today is the questions' degree of difficulty. Some argue that the questions now are nowhere near as hard as they used to be, which they say is a reflection on the intelligence of the general public.

"There really has been a dumbing down. In the old days, we had arcane and esoteric stuff. It was designed to make the audience gape," said 73-year old Herbert Stempel, who appeared on "Twenty-One" in the 1950s, in a recent Washington Post interview.

But perhaps the fact that they can answer the questions effortlessly is the greater draw for today's audience. These shows make the common person feel smart; now who wouldn't want that?

Help, please

After pondering the question for a few moments, Patty makes a request: "I'd like to use a lifeline. I'd like to ask the audience."

Within seconds, the top right corner of the TV screen displays a graph revealing that 53 percent of the audience chose answer "a." Patty decides to use that answer.

"Is that your final answer?"

"Yes, that's my final answer."

"Yeah. They did it!" Regis bursts out with his characteristic smile, revealing a set of sparkling white teeth.

A calming presence

"I really like Regis," said American studies professor Susan Ohmer. "He's down to earth. I think, sometimes, the guests seem arrogant. I like the host."

A key element in the quiz show phenomenon is the appeal of the host. For that reason, recognizable names such as Chuck Woolery from "The Love Connection," Maury Povich from "The Maury Povich Show" and Dick Clark from "American Bandstand" are used as hosts to draw in an audience

for "Greed," "Twenty-One" and "Winning Lines" respectively. Such personalities add a sense of familiarity to the dramatic ups and downs of these games.

The dream

After a few more correctly answered questions, with the help of lifeline or two, Regis pauses the game to chat with Patty about her millionaire dreams.

"So what do you plan on doing with your money, Patty?" Regis asked.

"I'd like to go to Las Vegas and double my money with my winnings," she said, the flush in her cheeks and wide smile giving away the thrill of such a prospect.

Some argue that these shows demonstrate the latest version of the American Dream. No longer is persevering the long road to fortune the popular ideal. Now it is taking a shortcut to the top of the economic ladder in one swift stroke of luck. And the rapid rise of the Internet and its technology is one of the culprits, critics say.

"You see this [especially] with people coming out of college," Ohmer said. "They just want to join a big Internet company and make money. In that sense, it's not good. Their odds aren't great."

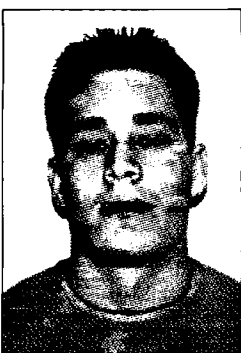
Since the Internet has become a staple of work, schools and the home, people feel that they can also take part in this strike-it-rich business. The "Who" in "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" means virtually anyone.

The contestants on these quiz shows support this concept; they don't look or act like movie stars. They have



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freshman, Lewis Hall



"I'd get rid of my virginity."

Dan Fisher
freshman, Carroll Hall

s? Yes, please!

dalous runs on the 1950s to today's record-breaking hits across the tube

their quirks and flaws, whether it is an obnoxious laugh or a fashion sense dating back to the 1970s. But that's where the appeal lies; the show's audience can relate to them.

"The key is, the show has heart. You're rooting for the people on the show," said Michael Davies, executive producer of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," in a New York Times interview.

The history

This was the attraction of the quiz shows in the 1950s as well. With only a few exceptions, the contestants on these programs, such as "The \$64,000 Question," "Tic-Tac-Dough" and "Twenty-One," were all versions of the working class persona. Herbert Stempel, a veteran from Queens working and attending city college, exemplified this persona.

In 1958, after losing his title as defending champion on "Twenty-One" to Charles Van Doren, a Columbia University professor and member of the esteemed Van Doren family, Stempel revealed that the show was fixed. He claimed that the producers controlled who did or did not continue by giving them answers. Because Stempel continued to win, his "unbeatable" quality had made him unpopular and thus, unprofitable, so the producers brought in the refreshing noble man, Van Doren.

After Stempel's allegations were insufficiently investigated by a New York grand jury, the House of Representatives special subcommittee on legislative oversight confirmed the allegations. Van Doren confessed that he was also provided with the questions before his appearances on each show. He justified his participation in the fraud on the grounds that he believed he was strengthening the value of education and the intellect through his celebrity. By his example, he argued he had made learning fun and accessible to the TV generation.

For younger

generations who did not witness the "Twenty-One" scandal, Robert Redford's 1994 film, "Quiz Show," recreated that event, as well as some of the ruthless inner workings of the quiz show phenomenon. Ultimately, it demonstrated the quiz show was about ratings and profitability for the sponsors.

The Renaissance

After the height of quiz show popularity in 1958, the genre declined as a consequence of the scandals. Yet, the genre is back in full throttle today, and many wonder, "Why now?"

NBC's rebirth of "Twenty-One" is especially risky. But, according to Ohmer, "They think that people have forgotten. TV tends to recycle, as movies do."

This rebirth raises the question of just how much of quiz show history has been recycled. Are the shows as authentic as they seem or are they fixed as well?

"I hope not," said Ohmer. "In the '50s, they were fixed because the sponsors wanted to control the contestants."

In some cases, that is still true. Fox's "Greed: The Series," recognized as a "deliberate imitation" of "Millionaire," lives up to its name. Reading the fine print of the rules and regulations exposes the immense scope of power possessed by the sponsors. The "Rules and Regulations" on the "Greed" Web site states: "Qualifying entrant will be evaluated by sponsor's representative on the basis of the entrant's answers to these questions and on subjective criteria including charm, communication skills and sense of humor ... Sponsor reserves the right to, and intends to, select contestants to play 'Greed' via means other than through the sweepstakes."

Being personally appealing or of entertainment value to the sponsor is a requisite, no matter how smart a person is. Like the 1950s quiz shows, "Greed" seems to function primarily as a moneymaker for its sponsors. The difference is, they're not trying to hide it, now.

Not all of the current quiz shows appear to maintain the same standards though. Most viewers would place "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" high above the rest. The Nielsen ratings confirm that. The show has consistently been at the top of the polls, and it won November Sweeps month.

Another reason why the networks produce quiz shows to compete with "Millionaire" is their potential to be especially profitable. "They're really cheap to produce: \$150,000 per show," said Ohmer. "A primetime drama is \$1 million, [so] it's really inexpensive. Networks like this and advertisers line up to do them."

Among the benefits of "Millionaire" for ABC is the show's effectiveness in breaking NBC's long reign as the top TV network. As a result, a 30-second commercial spot during "Millionaire" costs \$300,000 to \$350,000 versus the typical cost of \$100,000 to \$200,000.

Also, the show serves as a lead-in for ABC's entire evening line-up. For President Bill Clinton's State of the Union Address on January 27, which followed its prized quiz show, ABC's

ratings were "sky high." The ratings on NBC, CBS and Fox were not.

The end

Viewers lean in, focusing their eyes on the contestant as she determines her fate. The music intensifies, question by

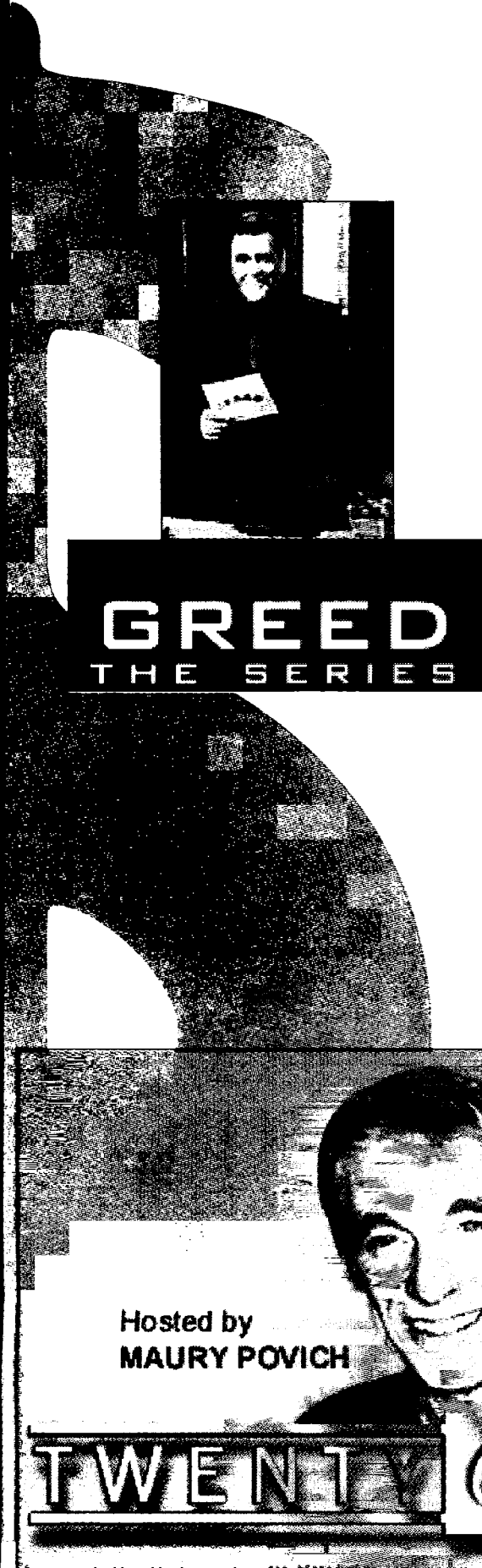
question, consequently raising Patty's anxiety level as well as that of the audience. Each question is a delicate step toward her million. Just one slip-up and she's through. Will it be this question? That is what's surely on the minds of everyone glued to the TV screen.

Once again, Regis proposes a bit of trivia and she gives her "final answer." With a sudden musical scale rising and falling, it is clear that her answer was truly her "final answer." The studio sighs sympathetically as Patty bids a sad farewell to the path to instant wealth.

But it's all right, for the game will restart its dramatic course with a new, eager contestant wondering, "Will I become a millionaire too?"

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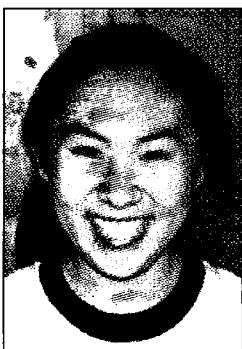
"I'd pay off my school loan, then buy a ranch in Mexico."

Sonia Hernandez
sophomore, Le Mans Hall



"Fifty percent is going to buy cars for my friends, family and professors. Twenty-five percent is for my favorite charity. The other 25 percent I'd keep for myself."

Courtne Takata
junior, McCandless Hall



"I'd hit Vegas, have a drive-through wedding, lose most of the money, eventually come back to Notre Dame with \$5 and work as a card-swiper in the dining hall. It's my dream."

Ted Devlin
junior, Alumni Hall



NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Boschee hits seven 3s for Kansas' first round victory

Associated Press

Jeff Boschee hit seven 3-pointers in the first half as No. 24 Kansas routed Kansas in the first round of the Big 12 tournament and possibly Tom Asbury's last game as Wildcats' coach.

Boschee, a streaky outside shooter, set the school record for 3-pointers in a half by going 7-for-8. He scored all 21 of his points in the first half as Kansas (23-8) romped to its 19th straight victory over Kansas State (9-19).

Asbury, the object of increasing criticism after finishing last in the regular-season race and never beating Kansas, fell to 0-20 lifetime against the Jayhawks, including three games while he was at Pepperdine.

In Friday's second round, the Jayhawks will play No. 17 Oklahoma State (23-5), which handed them the third-worst loss in school history on Feb. 7, 86-53.

Asbury, who has two years left on his contract and has said he will not resign, also finished last in his first season at Kansas State in 1994-95. If this turns out to be his final year, he would leave with an 85-88 mark and be the first Kansas State coach with an overall losing record since Fritz Knorr in 1945.

Boschee put up only one shot in the second half as Kansas shuffled reserves in and out of the game after taking a 50-23 halftime lead en route to its 10th straight Big 12 tournament victory.

The Jayhawks led by as many as 37 twice during the second half.

Kenny Gregory finished with 12 points for Kansas, Nick Collison added 11 and Eric Chenoweth and Marlon London had 10 apiece.

Cortez Groves had 15 for Kansas State, which lost 16 of its last 18 games.

No. 14 Tulsa 71, Rice 51

Eric Coley and the Tulsa Golden Hurricane made quick work of Rice in the opening game of the Western Athletic Conference tournament.

Coley had a block, assist, steal and reverse layup in an early spurt as No. 14 Tulsa routed Rice.

Sixth-man David Shelton, who scored 20 points, and Brandon Kurtz, with 14, carried Tulsa most of the way as the Golden Hurricane won their 28th game, breaking the school record of 27 set in 1983-84.

Tulsa (28-3), the top seed in the WAC

tournament, will face the winner of the San Jose State-Texas Christian game.

Erik Cooper scored all 14 of his points in the second half as he tried to make it a game for outmatched Rice (5-22). Mike Wilks added 10 points.

Playing before a mostly empty Selland Arena, Coley made a key block on T.J. McKenzie's layup in the first, fed Kurtz for a three-point play, then stole the ball and beat his man on the break for a 7-0 lead.

The Owls never got closer. They were held scoreless for nearly the first six minutes and had trouble finding the basket from just about anywhere but the foul line, scoring eight of their 18 first-half points on free throws.

Kurtz, playing 100 miles north of his hometown of Bakersfield, and Shelton each scored 10 of their points in the first half, as the Hurricane shot nearly 50 percent from the field.

Trailing 38-18 at the break after shooting 18 percent from the floor, Rice picked up the pace in the second half but it was too late, as Tulsa never let the game get closer than 12 points.

Tulsa has beaten Rice six straight times.

No. 6 Temple 71, Virginia 52

John Chaney doesn't care that Temple hasn't won the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament since 1990. Losing, he said, might even be a good thing.

But the No. 6 Owls looked far less charitable than their coach on Thursday, beginning their quest for the A-10 title with a victory against Virginia Tech.

Mark Karcher scored 17 points and Pepe Sanchez added nine points and five assists as Temple (24-5) advanced to a semifinal game against Massachusetts.

Temple, which has reached the final eight four times in the last 12 years, lost 62-59 at the buzzer to Rhode Island in the A-10 championship last year. It's a lowpoint his players remember all too well, and want to erase from their minds this year.

Virginia Tech (16-15) stayed close early as Brendan Dunlop hit two 3-pointers, but the Owls used two 9-0 runs to open a 33-17 lead late in the first half and never were threatened.

The Hokies, again playing without suspended scoring and rebounding leader Dennis Mims, trailed 36-22 at halftime and got no closer than 11 in the second half.

Mims, who averaged 14.2 points and 7.6 rebounds and made 52.6 percent of his shots during the season, was suspended before the tournament for violating unspecified team rules and did not accompany the team to Philadelphia.

Sanchez was 3-for-3 from 3-point range, including a baseline jumper that gave Temple a 57-36 lead with 8:30 remaining. Sanchez added five rebounds, three steals and only one turnover.

Temple, 9-0 against Virginia Tech, attempted 27 3-pointers, including 15 on its 25 shots in the first half. The Owls hit 10. Virginia Tech was 8-of-23 from 3-point range.

Brian Chase led the Hokies with 16 points and Dunlop added 12.

The game marked the last time Virginia Tech would compete in the Atlantic 10. The Hokies will play in the Big East conference next season.

No. 21 Conn. 79, Seton Hall 64

Things have changed for Connecticut since Khalid El-Amin hit a buzzer-beater to beat West Virginia. The Huskies have won four straight since that running shot, the latest a Big East quarterfinal victory over Seton Hall.

The 5-foot-10 junior guard scored 24 of his 30 points in the first half and the fourth-seeded Huskies held off a second-half run by the Pirates as they moved a step closer to winning a third straight Big East championship.

The 21st-ranked Huskies (23-8) advanced to Friday night's semifinals against ninth-seeded Georgetown (18-13), which beat top-seeded Syracuse 76-72 Thursday. Big East history will be made regardless of who wins because no team that has played in the opening round has ever even advanced to the championship game.

El-Amin, Connecticut's leading scorer at 16.4 points a game, had 24 points in the first half on 10-of-12 shooting as the Huskies took a 43-29 lead.

But the fifth-seeded Pirates (20-9) used an 8-0 run to get within 52-49 with 13:58 to play. They were within 54-51 on two free throws by Ty Shine with 12:31 left when Albert Mouring's 3-pointer started a 15-1 run that gave the Huskies a 69-52 lead with 8:05 left.

Seton Hall never got closer than 13 points the rest of the way.

Connecticut's deciding run included a technical foul called against Seton Hall coach Tommy Amaker.

El-Amin made two free throws on the technical, and Kevin Freeman scored on a rebound on the ensuing possession to cap a run of 11 straight points.

"Certainly this was a disappointing loss for us because we had the opportunity to make a run and try to get back in the game after being down by a lot in the first half," Amaker said. "Mouring's 3 took a lot of wind out of us."

Amaker was matter-of-fact in talking about the technical.

"I thought a foul should have been called and I said so," he said.

The victory was the eighth straight in Big East tournament play for the Huskies, a streak that dates to the quarterfinals of the 1998 tournament. Connecticut had won a total of 10 games in the first 18 tournaments.

The win was the seventh straight for Connecticut over Seton Hall, a streak that included two games this season. In those games El-Amin had a total of 27 points. It was also the Huskies' fifth straight victory overall.

Georgetown 76, No. 12 Syracuse 72

Kevin Braswell scored 20 points and dished out eight assists and Lee Scruggs had 20 points, as Georgetown upset 12th-ranked Syracuse in the quarterfinals of the Big East tournament at Madison Square Garden. The Hoyas became the first-ever ninth seed to topple a top seed in the Big East tourney.

Georgetown (18-13) will meet Connecticut in the semifinals on Friday.

Etan Thomas paced the Orangemen (24-5) with 17 points.

The Hoyas led by double digits with just over four minutes to play. But the 'Cuse pulled within three, 70-67, when a Damone Brown basket with 37.8 seconds to go followed a traveling call against Scruggs with 43.7 seconds remaining.

Georgetown responded with a pair of free throws by Demetrius Hunter, giving the eventual winners a 72-67 advantage with 36.2 seconds left.

The biggest play in the final minute came when Braswell stole the ball for the Hoyas with 20 seconds left and converted a pair of free throws, after a foul call, for a 74-69 contest with 18.9 seconds to go.

Georgetown, which led 33-30 at the half, held on from there. Ruben Boumtje-Boumtje added 12 points for the Hoyas.

Brown netted 15 points for the Orange, while Jason Hart and DeShaun Williams, who would eventually foul out.

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THIS IS WHERE IT GETS GOOD

BASEBALL

Heilman ready to heat up in Florida

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Writer

Coming off one of the greatest starts in team history, the Notre Dame baseball team will spend its spring break in sunny Jacksonville, Fla., as they take part in the Kennel Club Classic.

There is no winner of the tournament, which is comprised mainly of teams from the northern United States.

"The thing that's really nice about the tournament from our standpoint is that you have the opportunity to go to warm weather, play on a beautiful field," said head coach Paul Mainieri. "But you're also playing the majority of your games against other schools from the North that are dealing with the same disadvantages of being at the same stage in their season that we are."

As opposed to all other tournaments, where players and coaches stay together at a hotel, athletes will live with Notre Dame alumni in the area. This lets the players enjoy their spring break while still competing.

"Living in hotels every weekend gets real monotonous," junior shortstop Alec Porzel said. "It's nice not to really have a schedule to follow and just show up at the game and be ready to play each day. Being away from the team and the coaches is real nice."

On Saturday, the Irish participate in two games at Wolfson Park. In the first game, Notre Dame takes on Duquesne.

Duquesne comes off of a 32-24 season in which they finished third in the Atlantic-10 West. Starting the game for the Irish is ace Aaron Heilman, who recorded 12 strikeouts in his last start.

"I got off to a slow start my first two outings, but I felt a lot better this past weekend," Heilman said. "Hopefully things

will continue to do well and we'll continue to win."

In the second game, the Irish take on the Chippewas of Central Michigan. Starting the game for the Irish is senior Scott Cavey, who is coming off two dominating wins.

To relieve the stress on sophomore catcher Paul O'Toole, senior Matt Nussbaum will make his second career start behind the plate for the Irish.

"I'm glad that Matt can be in there and catch for us," Mainieri said. "We're going to need to give Paul a rest now and then."

On Sunday, Notre Dame takes on Midwest rival Illinois. Freshman Matt Laird

earns the start after an impressive outing against Minnesota last weekend. Illinois is currently ranked as one of the Top 25 teams in the nation.

On Monday, the Irish will face the Osprey of North Florida before taking a day off on Tuesday.

On Wednesday, Indiana state rival Butler takes on Notre Dame. The starting pitchers in these games are yet to be determined.

On Thursday, Heilman returns to the mound as Iowa presents his latest challenge. The Hawkeyes finished 10th in the Big Ten last season.

Laird starts against Akron on Friday. Akron recently beat Ohio State, a ranked team that has already defeated the Irish this season.

In the last game in Florida, the Irish once again take on Illinois as Cavey makes his second start.

The Irish will be playing the tournament without the services of senior co-captain Jeff Perconte.

Perconte, who injured his shoulder in Minnesota last weekend, is out indefinitely. Ben Cooke will be the starter at second base.

"I got out to a slow start my first two outings, but I felt a lot better this past weekend."

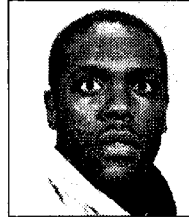
Aaron Heilman
Irish pitcher

FENCING

Irish head to regional qualifier

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

The stakes are just a bit higher this weekend as the Irish fencing team travels to Appleton, Wisc., for the N C A A Regional Qualifier.



Crompton

The Irish will send 18 fencers to compete for a possible 12 slots in the NCAA Championship.

While the NCAA tournament is still three weeks away, the Irish must place at least two fencers from each weapon in the top eight to have any shot at the national title.

If the Irish don't qualify two fencers at each weapon, they won't be able to score enough points to win the title at the NCAA Championship.

After placing at least two fencers in the top eight of last weekend's Midwest Championship (a tournament similar to the NCAA Regional), the Irish are confident that they will qualify 12 fencers this weekend.

"I think things are looking promising heading into NCAAs," freshman epeeist Anna Carnick said. "When you look at the top eight and see a lot of Notre Dame people fencing each other, it's a good sign. I think we will do pretty well."

The men should have no

problem qualifying six fencers.

Throughout the year, the Irish have dominated their Midwest competition and should continue that domination in Appleton.

"I think we are looking pretty good," sophomore sabreman Andre Crompton said. "I think we will qualify everyone. We just need to stay healthy and mentally strong heading into NCAAs."

While both Liz Boutsikaris and Magda Krol should qualify in women's foil, women's epee and sabre are areas of concern.

Freshman Natalia Mazur is seeded first in the region in women's sabre but Carianne McCullough or Katie Flanagan need to fence strong this weekend. Flanagan finished seventh at the Midwest Championship

while McCullough took eighth.

One of them must remain in the top eight this weekend to qualify for the tournament.

In epee, Carnick, the Midwest champion, should have no problem qualifying. Her teammate, however, Meagan Call finished sixth at Midwest.

"It won't be easy in women's sabre or women's epee," Irish head coach Yves Auriol said.

Auriol feels that not fencing in a tournament for two weeks might have played

a factor at least week's Midwest Championship. This weekend, however, the Irish will be sharper, according to Auriol.

"We didn't do anything for two weeks so we might have been rusty," he said. "But this tournament requires a lot of concentration because it lasts so long but I think that is going to help us."

"I think things are looking promising heading into NCAAs. When you look at the top eight and see a lot of Notre Dame people fencing each other, it's a good sign."

Anna Carnick
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MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

Martin breaks leg, ends season

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Kenyon Martin knew his season was over before he hit the floor.

Cincinnati's star player, perhaps the best in college basketball, was setting a screen in the opening minutes of Cincinnati's Conference USA tournament opener Thursday when he bumped into Saint Louis' Justin Love.

Martin's ankle turned underneath him as he fell, breaking his right fibula and ripping several ligaments.

Gone in that instant — his dreams of leading top-ranked Cincinnati to its first national championship since the 1960s and the days of Oscar Robertson.

"I didn't have any control over it," Martin said quietly after Cincinnati's 68-58 loss to Saint Louis.

Sitting in a wheelchair with his foot in a cast, Martin said

he told Dr. Angelo Colosimo that his leg was broken as soon as the doctor came onto the floor.

The 6-foot-9, 240-pound Martin was selected the Conference USA player of the year Wednesday, and is the favorite for national player of the year honors.

He led the conference with 19.5 points per game and 10 rebounds per game.

He also had the top field-goal percentage (57 percent) and is the career blocked shots leader for both Cincinnati and Conference USA with 292. He set the single-season mark with 107.

With Martin, Cincinnati set a regular-season record with 28 victories.

The Bearcats also had the first undefeated record in conference play at 16-0.

Martin will play again. Colosimo said doctors will insert a screw into Martin's

ankle, and that he should be able to starting running again in eight weeks.

That won't be soon enough for the Bearcats, who had been looking for a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament.

"This was their chance," coach Bob Huggins said. "You just have very few chances I think in life to be special, and we've gone through a lot."

Huggins said his Bearcats will regroup, and other players will have to work to replace Martin. Senior Ryan Fletcher said it won't be easy.

"One person isn't going to be able to be Kenyon Martin. But together we can all contribute what he brought to us," Fletcher said.

Martin, who returned to The Pyramid late in the game to cheer his teammates, thinks the Bearcats still have a chance at winning a national title.

The forward, who hasn't missed a game since he was a freshman, plans to be with them every step even if he has to pay his own way.

"I've been here since day one. I just can't suit up. I can't get on the court," he said.

"I can still get a ring. I can still get a banner. I just can't play."

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Kenyon Martin
injured Cincinnati forward

Bearcats lose post-season opener

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn.

Cincinnati star Kenyon Martin broke his right leg early in the first half, and the top-ranked Bearcats lost their postseason opener 68-58 Thursday to Saint Louis.

The senior watched from the bench as Justin Love scored 25 points in leading ninth-seeded Saint Louis to the upset victory in the Conference USA quarterfinals.

Even without their leading scorer, Cincinnati (28-3) still had a chance to put away a team it routed twice in the regular season. But Saint Louis (17-13) outshot and outrebounded the Bearcats, who had trouble even finding the basket for much of the second half.

Cincinnati led 40-36 with 16:05 left on a jumper by Pete Mickeal, but John Redden put Saint Louis ahead to stay with a 15-foot jumper that made it 48-47 with 12:35 remaining.

The Bearcats then went cold and didn't hit a shot from the floor for a nearly 10 minute stretch until Mickeal's basket with 1:16 remaining. Cincinnati could have taken the lead but went 6-of-13 at the free throw line in that time.

Saint Louis didn't miss and hit 10-of-12 free throws in the final 2:44.

Kenny Satterfield led Cincinnati with 16 points, Mickeal finished with 13 and Ryan Fletcher added 11.

The Bearcats lost their leading scorer, rebounder and top shot blocker for the rest of the season about three minutes into the game.

The 6-foot-9, 240-pound Martin was setting a pick when he got tangled up with Love. Martin's ankle turned underneath him as he fell, breaking his leg and damaging several ligaments.

Martin immediately was taken by ambulance to an orthopedic clinic where doctors put a cast on his leg. He will need surgery, which will take place in Cincinnati.

He returned to The Pyramid midway through the second half with his teammates trailing and drew a standing ovation. Cincinnati wound up with its earliest exit ever in a tournament the Bearcats have dominated over the years.

Houston 75, Tulane 74

Waitara Marsh's desperation shot from beyond mid-court fell short at the buzzer, and the Houston Cougars held on for a victory over Tulane.

Houston center Jake Ballis intentionally missed a free throw with 3.46 seconds to play, forcing Tulane to grab the rebound and quickly do whatever heroics were required.

Houston (7-8, 1-1 Conference USA), which overcame a 41-33 halftime deficit, was led by Kenny Younger with 19 points and 10 rebounds. George Williams had 11 points and 11 rebounds for the Cougars.

Tulane (10-3, 0-2) got 19 points and eight rebounds from Marsh and 17 points from Ledaryl Billingsley.

Houston got 15 points off the Green Wave's 14 turnovers, while Tulane got only nine points off Houston's 12 turnovers.

DePaul 71, Memphis 65

DePaul didn't dominate Memphis on the scoreboard Tuesday night. It was the backboards that mattered.

Quentin Richardson had 22 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Blue Demons (No. 23 ESPN/USA Today, No. 24 AP) to a 71-65 victory in the Conference USA opener for both. The final total as far as rebounding went was 53-33.

"Rebounding was our first key to victory, both offensively and defensively," DePaul coach Pat Kennedy said.

Memphis interim coach Johnny Jones said the rebounding difference was too much to overcome.

Richardson, who was 7-for-16 from the field, hit two big baskets in the final two minutes as DePaul (9-3) pulled away at the end.

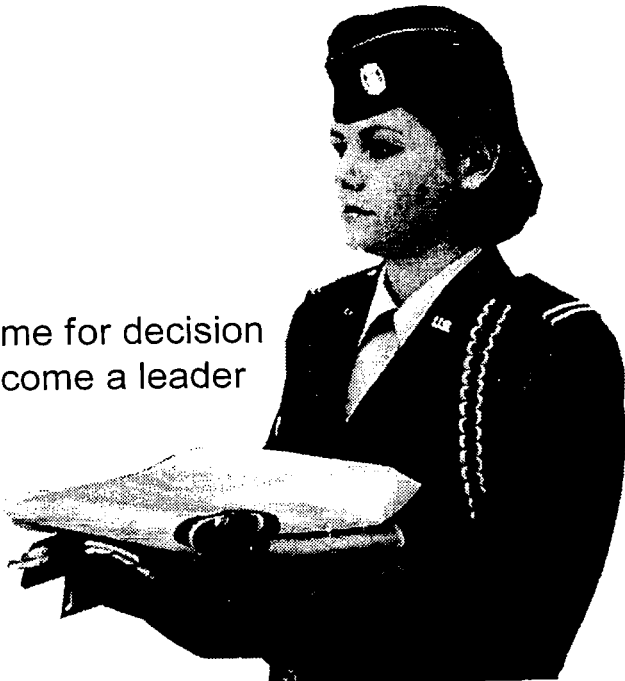
The teams exchanged leads midway through the second half and Memphis (6-7) held a one-point lead when Paris London hit a 5-foot fallaway shot with 3:24 left. But DePaul, behind Richardson and 5-of-6 free throw shooting by Rashon Burno over the final 1:38, put the game away.

Burno finished with 13 points for the Blue Demons, while Lance Williams added 10. Kelly Wise led Memphis with 21 points and eight rebounds, and London and Courtney Trask had 12 points each.

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Irish a chance to gain some valuable doubles experience.

When junior Kimberly Guy went down with a broken wrist, the entire doubles lineup was thrown out of whack.

Head coach Jay Louderback has been forced to play pairs that have little experience playing together. That lack of experience was particularly evident against Iowa and Kentucky, as Notre Dame uncharacteristically dropped two of three doubles matches.

Louderback seems sure that experience will improve the doubles play.

"I think as they get a chance to practice more, they'll improve," he noted. "Right now it's just a case of not having played together a lot."

"We've had a week to practice and already I think we're more comfortable with the new pairings," Zalinski added. "I think we'll be OK as we get more matches in."

Notre Dame would be wise to use the

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Kelly Zalinski
senior captain

BYU matchup to improve, because it will be given all it can handle when it heads further west to battle No. 6 Pepperdine a week later.

The Wave has been riding high and boasts a strong 8-2 record.

Pepperdine also sports an impressive singles squad, with three nationally ranked players.

Junior Ipek Senoglu, who should give Michelle Dasso a run for her money in No. 1 singles, anchors the contingent.

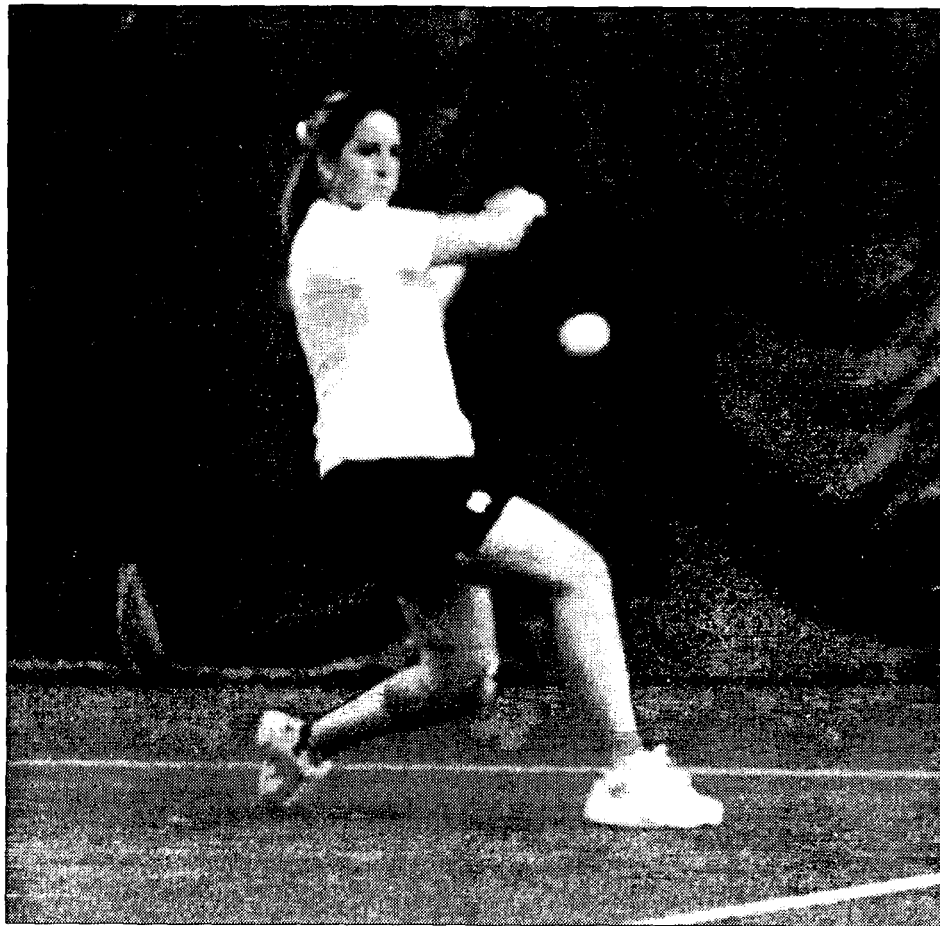
Fatigue could play a significant role, however, as Pepperdine will take on Loyola Marymount, SMU, UCLA, and Wisconsin prior to playing Notre Dame.

The Wave will no doubt be weary after playing such a schedule and will likely be forced to dig deep to hold off an Irish upset bid.

"It [fatigue] could definitely come into play," Zalinski said. "Tennis is so draining both physically and mentally, and we'll be fresh, so it could be an advantage."

Notre Dame will be out to avenge a 5-4 loss at the hands of Pepperdine last year.

The Wave has won three of the last four meetings.



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A Notre Dame tennis player uses her backhand at a match earlier this season. The team looks to extend its winning streak against Tulane during break.

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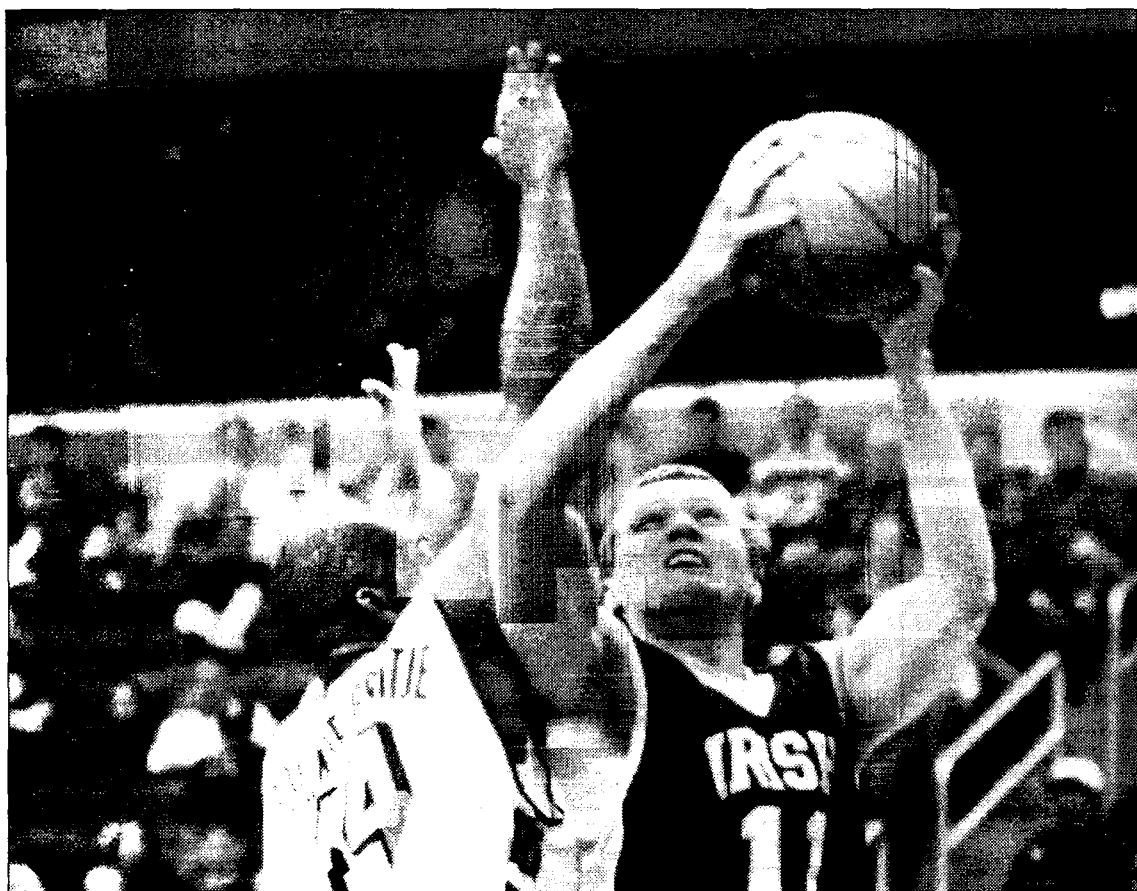
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Ivan Kartelo goes up for a shot in a recent game. He and the rest the Irish struggled against Miami's stifling defense.

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control the game."

After a technical foul on Doherty, Miami extended its lead to nine points four minutes into the second half, but Notre Dame came storming back with a 9-0 run to tie the game at 53. But the Irish saw it slip away as Murphy's shot slipped out.

"We gave it a run and came up against the best team in the league," Doherty said. "We were right there. The kids could have given up, but they didn't. I'm real proud of these kids."

The Irish struggled with Miami's tough man-to-man defense in all three meetings.

The Hurricanes held Big East player of the

year Murphy to just 15 points, but couldn't keep him off the boards, as he grabbed 16 rebounds.

"They're the best defensive team in the Big East," Murphy said. "They're physical, they're strong and they play really hard. We had trouble with them all three times. Tonight was no different."

Johnny Hemsley paced Miami with 17 points and Tyler added 14. Jennings dished out 11 assists.

David Graves had 14 points in a losing effort for Notre Dame and Matt Carroll added 11.

The Irish, however, who usually live by the 3-pointer, shot just 24 percent (6-for-25) from beyond the arc.

"I think it was a hard fought game," Graves said. "The two teams played well. Some things went our way and others didn't. But they're a great defensive team. By far the best in the conference."

MEN'S NCAA BASKETBALL

Red Storm blows lead in tournament

Associated Press

Bootsy Thornton scored 21 points and third-seeded St. John's, which blew a 15-point second-half lead, scored the game's final six points for a 75-70 victory over Villanova on Thursday night in the quarterfinals of the Big East tournament.

The 19th-ranked Red Storm (22-7) advanced to Friday night's semifinals against second-seeded Miami (21-9), which beat Notre Dame 61-58 in the quarterfinals.

That will be a rematch of last week's regular-season finale, won by Miami 74-70 in overtime, and of last season's semifinal, won 62-59 by St. John's.

St. John's, which had won nine of 10, appeared in control early, building a 41-26 halftime lead on 56 percent shooting (18-for-32). But the sixth-seeded Wildcats (19-12), who trailed 43-28 less than a minute into the second half, used a 13-2 run capped by consecutive 3-pointers by Gary Buchanan and Brian Lynch to get within 43-39 with 16:31 left.

The Wildcats, who shot 58.6 percent in the second half (17-for-29), tied the game at 59-59 on a free throw by Brooks Sales with 6:58 left. They took their first lead of the game 66-64 on a jumper by Sales with 4:04 to play.

Villanova was up 70-69 with 51 seconds left on two free throws by Buchanan, but those were its last points.

Chudney Gray scored on a drive with 40 seconds left to give the Red Storm the lead for good and, after a missed jumper by Malik Allen of the Wildcats with 24 seconds left, Anthony Glover scored on a breakaway dunk with 16 seconds left. After Villanova turned the ball over as it scrambled to get off a tying

3-pointer, Erick Barkley was fouled with 4.8 seconds left and made two free throws for the final margin.

Lavor Postell had 18 points for St. John's and Barkley had 11 points and 11 assists.

Buchanan led the Wildcats with 19 points and seven assists and Allen had 16 points and 11 rebounds.

This will be St. John's third straight semifinal appearance. The Wildcats have not advanced past the quarterfinals since 1997.

No. 3 Duke 94,

Clemson 63

Shane Battier scored 19 points and No. 3 Duke opened its quest for its 11th ACC title by dominating Clemson inside and out in a victory.

The Blue Devils (25-4) shot 56 percent, including making an Atlantic Coast Conference tournament-record 17 of 29 3-point attempts, and had a 38-28 edge on the boards, helping them defeat Clemson for the ninth consecutive time.

Duke used a 31-4 run in the first half to take control of a game that matched the highest-scoring team in the ACC against the league's last-place team in scoring and shooting.

Freshman Mike Dunleavy made a successful return after missing four games with mononucleosis as Duke, the tournament's top seed, advanced to Saturday's semifinals.

Dunleavy played 20 minutes, made six of seven 3-pointers and finished with 16 points.

Nate James added 18 points for Duke, Jason Williams had 14 and Chris Carrawell added 11.

Ninth-seeded Clemson (10-20) shot 37 percent and had 17 turnovers. It has lost three games to Duke this season by a combined 79 points.

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NCAA hopes depend not on Irish wins, but others' losses

The ball rolled out of Notre Dame's hands Thursday, and into those of the NCAA tournament selection committee.

The Irish fell on the outs of the Big East Tournament with their 61-58 nail-biter loss to the Miami Hurricanes. The defeat leaves the Irish without a chance to impress the selection committee before NCAA tournament seedings are announced Sunday.



Kathleen O'Brien

Assistant Sports Editor

"Throughout the whole year, we always had the ability to play in the tournament, and it was nice," sophomore forward Troy Murphy said. "And now it's not in our hands. We have to go back to the hotel and root against certain teams and hope that they don't do as well. It's not as comfortable as knowing you can do something yourselves."

Murphy, this year's Big East player of the year, scored 15 points and powered his way to 16 rebounds in Notre Dame's loss Thursday. But he missed the go-ahead 3-pointer in the closing seconds.

"I hit that shot, and that could be another win, and that could separate us from another team in the tournament," Murphy said. "It's tough to think that that shot could either put you in the NCAA or the NIT."

Now 18-14 on the season, the Irish are teetering in a tenuous position. No team has ever received an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament with 14 losses.

However, Notre Dame also defeated five ranked opponents, as many as any team in the nation besides Arizona. The blue and gold add a slew of close losses to their resume: a two-point loss to No. 9 Syracuse, overtime defeats at the hands of Indiana and Vanderbilt, and a pair of three-point losses to co-Big East regular season champion Miami.

If Notre Dame winds up on the outside looking in, it won't be the close losses to tourney-bound teams that come back to haunt it. Instead, the Irish will be wishing they hadn't blown games against lesser opponents such as Miami (Ohio), Rutgers, Pittsburgh and Providence. Closing the regular season 5-6 against Top-25 teams is understandable. Dropping a late-season home game to Providence is unacceptable.

"No disrespect to Providence, but that was a game we'd like to have back," Notre Dame head coach Matt Doherty said. "At Miami, a three-point game.

They're the 23rd-ranked team in the country. Then we play Syracuse, a two-point game. They're the No. 9 team in the country. Then we beat Georgetown and they beat Syracuse. So we're a pretty good team."

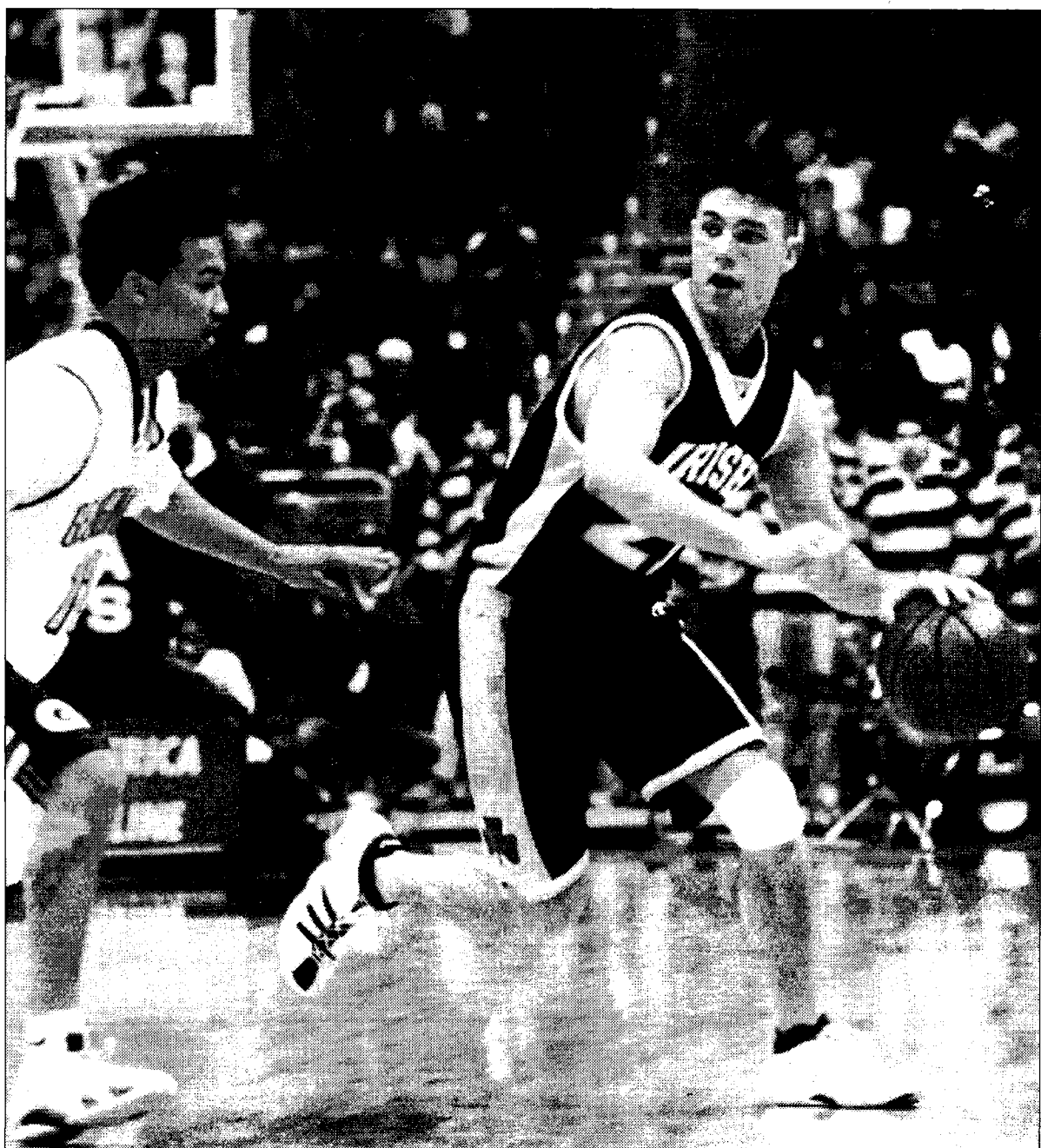
Notre Dame's tournament chances probably hinge on the fate of other bubble teams in their conference tournaments this week. The Big East is likely to receive six slots in the NCAA tournament, but could conceivably snag seven if the pieces fall the right way.

Syracuse, Miami, St. John's, Connecticut and Seton Hall have virtually assured themselves invitations to March Madness by reaching the 20-win plateau.

Villanova and Notre Dame, however, remain very much on the bubble. The Wildcats, like the Irish lost in the quarterfinals last night. The Wildcats fell by five points to third-seeded St. John's. With a 19-11 record, Villanova has more wins than Notre Dame, but unlike Notre Dame, failed to finish off a single ranked team this season.

Notre Dame also needs to hope for poor performances by teams on the outer edge of NCAA tournament chances. Any unexpected upsets in conference tournaments across the nation could send a Cinderella team to March Madness and send the Irish to the NIT. An upset like St. Louis's 68-58 win over No. 1 Cincinnati Thursday could crunch the Irish out of contention if the Billikens (17-13) make a run at the Conference USA tournament championship.

If selected for the NCAA tourney, Notre Dame will fulfill a dream that's been 10 years in the making. The Irish haven't gone to the Big Dance since John MacLeod's first year as head coach in 1989-90, when they were knocked out in the first round. MacLeod left South



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Jimmy Dillon drives past the Georgetown defender in a recent game. Dillon will be one of the Irish players who will have to wait to find out if their hopes of reaching the NCAA tournament will be realized. Notre Dame dropped Thursday's Big East game to Miami 61-58.

Bend after last season, opening the door to Doherty's first season at the helm. Notre Dame's No. 1 goal throughout the season has been to qualify for the NCAA tournament.

"Whatever our fate is on Sunday," sophomore David Graves said, "I'm willing to take it. And

whether it's in the NIT, we're going to make a run for it, or whether it's in the NCAA, we're going to make a run."

With no more basketball left to play before Selection Sunday,

the Irish's fate hangs in the balance.

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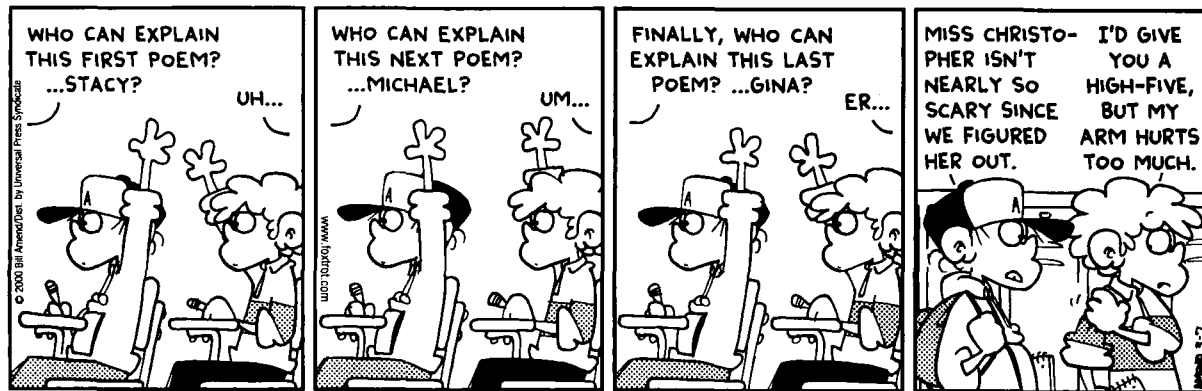
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1 Major

5 Dayan of Israel

10 Velvet drape

14 Je ne ____ quoi

15 Consumed

16 Vocal solo

17 Roe

18 Not level

19 News bit

20 Mediocre

23 Ripken of the Orioles

24 Dehydrated

25 Actress Dawber

28 Congressional meeting place

32 Steeped beverage

33 ____ Maria

34 Kind of rug

35 Common auto option

37 More refined
- 39 Thunder precursor

43 Troubadours' instruments

44 Female rabbit

45 Western brush

46 WNW's reverse

47 Circulars, basically

50 Blowhard's talk

52 Koppel of "Nightline"

53 Sudden jolt

55 ____ Jima

56 It may be called for in a recipe

61 Katharina, to Petruchio

64 Kentucky college, or its town

65 Bishop of Rome

66 Object of devotion
- DOWN**

1 Computer operator

2 Pasta sauce brand

3 Omen

4 Person who's not yet a full partner

5 Common potluck dish

6 Solemn promise

7 Piggins

8 Biker's protection

9 Whole

10 Jack and Jill's vessel

11 Carney of "The Honeymooners"

12 Prevaricate

13 On the ____ (fleeing)

21 Dieter's concern

22 Vaulted

25 Persona non grata

26 Pay back

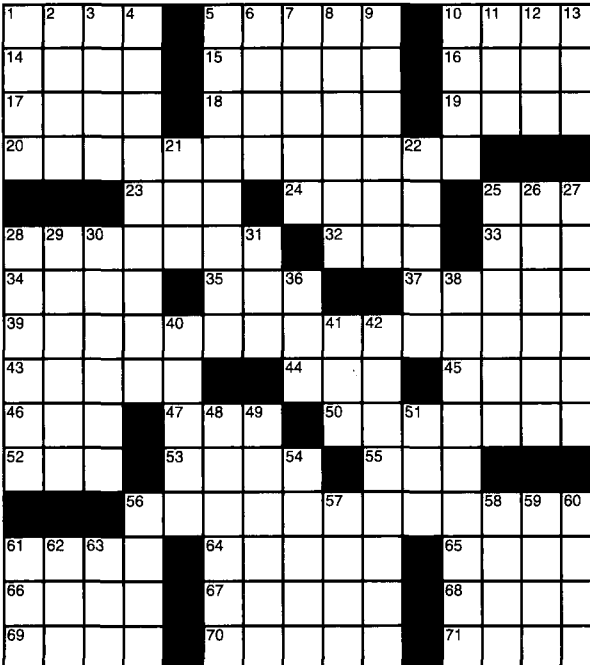
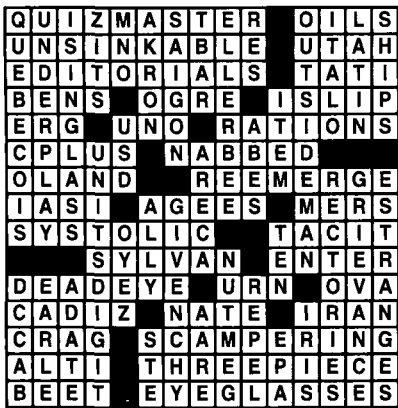
27 Big Wall Street news

28 Nautical rope

29 Stir up

30 Struck repeatedly

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Puzzle by Nancy Kavanaugh

- 31 "____ Abner"

36 Clear (of)

38 Like a drain after a drain cleaner

40 City of southern Honshu

41 Old salt

42 Chopper landing spots

48 Expel from law practice

49 Connive

51 It can be inspired
- 54 1950's war site

56 Place to pick up a sandwich

57 Ward (off)

58 Minute opening

59 Like some proportions
- 60 Stink to high heaven

61 Cleverness

62 Boise's state: Abbr.

63 Sly one

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FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2000

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Prince Edward, Jasmine Guy, Shannon Tweed, Bob Greene, Sharon Stone, Chuck Norris, Shannon Miller

Happy Birthday: You won't be able to hide the way you feel. You will want to socialize with those you trust and know well. Your confidence will grow this year because you will keep your surroundings safe and secure. Deal quickly with any negatives that remain in your life and get on to bigger and better things. Your numbers: 18, 23, 26, 33, 38, 42

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Spend some quality time with your family. You don't have to spend a fortune, and be sure not to promise them that you'll go to a specific event unless you have tickets in advance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Financial ventures will come to a dead end. Do not proceed with legal matters. Children may pose a problem. Try to help them without being too negative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will be upset if you're left with the brunt of the domestic chores. Make sure that you delegate jobs to all family members before they have a chance to leave the premises.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your boss may have dumped some extra work in your lap. Take it home rather than doing it at the office. Your family will help you if you let them.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Social events should include the whole family. Accept an invitation to do something a little different. Communications will be clear, allowing you to eliminate misunderstandings.

Birthdays: You're quick to do things and not always aware of the consequences. You are an adventurer who just wants to experience a little bit of everything — a fun-loving, free-spirited soul searching for all life's little pleasures. (Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Organize your day carefully. Someone you care about may be overreacting to situations concerning money. Offer to pay their way if it will help.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Things are looking up. You can get out with friends and join cultural or political groups that can provide you with the mental stimulation you require.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your energy is high. Concentrate on your career, and advancement will come your way. The extra hours you put in and the dedication you show will not go unnoticed.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your high energy will have to be put to good use. Competitive sports events, socializing with friends, a day in the great outdoors — whatever you decide on, you must include family. They've missed you more than you realize.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let relatives get on your nerves. You won't be able to change their way of thinking, so don't tire yourself out trying. Be sure not to take on too much.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take time to do things for yourself. You have been looking after everyone else. It's time to curl up with a book, take a hike or do some writing. Most of all, you must express yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't get into a senseless argument with friends or relatives. It will only ruin the whole day for you and your family. Keep your personal thoughts and opinions to yourself.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

ND comes up short in Big East tourney to Miami

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

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The third time wasn't a charm for the Irish Thursday night, as Notre Dame dropped a 61-58 contest to Miami at Madison Square Garden in the quarterfinals of the Big East tournament.

The Hurricanes have now beaten the Irish three times this season and will move on to play St. John's in the semifinals tonight.

With 18.8 seconds left in the game, Notre Dame found itself in a familiar situation, and came away with a similar result. Two weeks ago at Miami, the Irish needed a 3-pointer in the closing seconds to send the game to overtime. Troy Murphy's shot rimmed out. Thursday night, Notre Dame needed a two-point basket for the win. Once again, Murphy's shot rimmed out.

"When Troy comes up, I think it's in," first-year head coach Matt Doherty said. "You've got your best player taking an open shot. Granted it's a 3-point shot, but he is one of our best 3-point shooters. [When it misses] you think foul. Well that's what I'm thinking at the same time your gut gets ripped out."

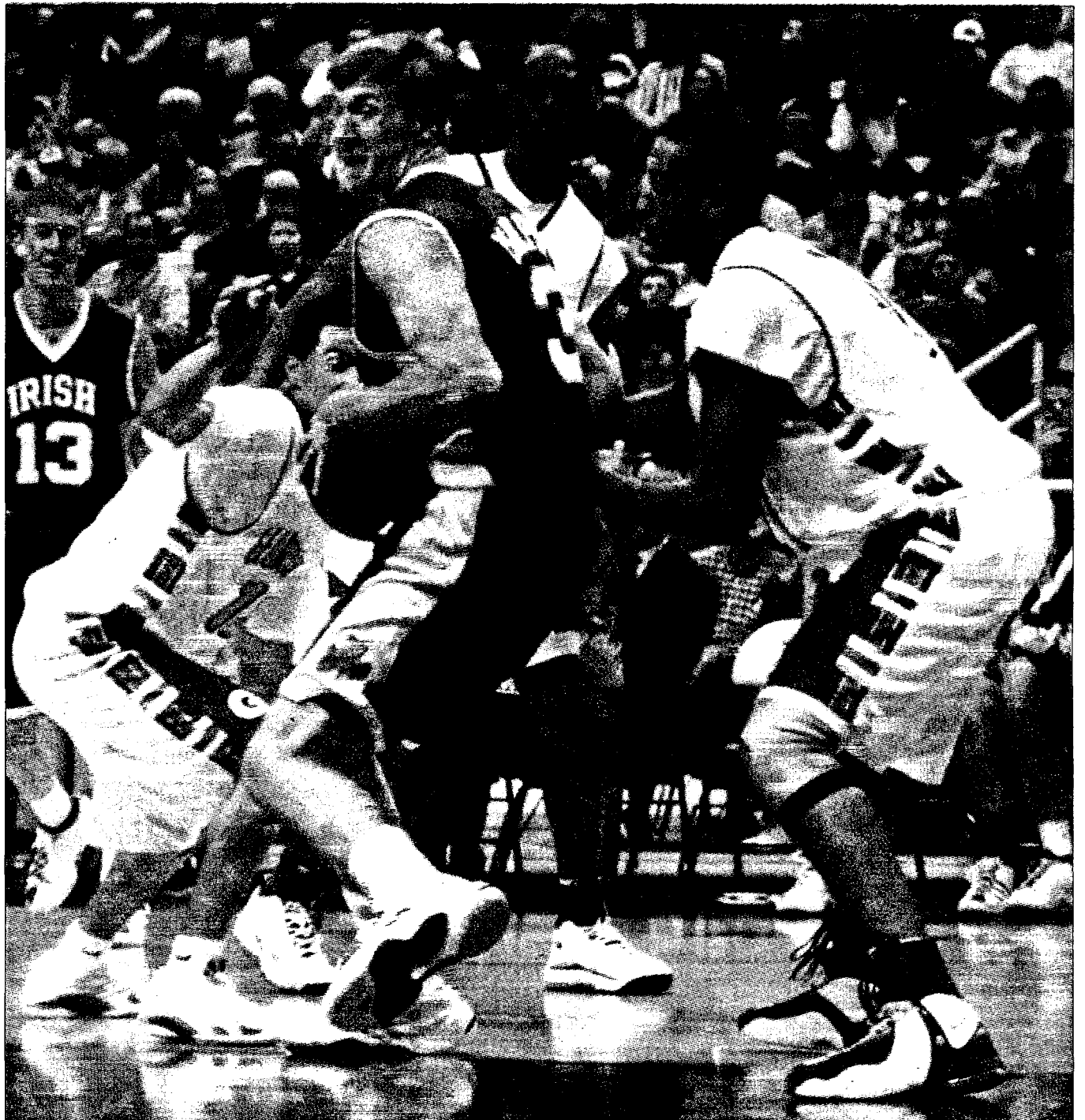
But the Irish weren't able to get the foul. Following the miss, Miami point guard Vernon Jennings secured the rebound and fired a quick outlet pass to Elton Tyler who slammed it home with 0.8 seconds left.

"I was trying to finish the play," Tyler said. "We have a great defense, so after that, I knew we were going to get a stop on something like that."

Harold Swanagan's ensuing inbound pass was batted down by Tyler and the Irish were sent packing.

Miami jumped out to a 23-16 lead with 9:21 left in the first half, but Notre Dame battled back and a thunderous slam dunk by Swanagan tied the game at 28. The Hurricanes clung to a slim three-point margin at the break.

"In the second half we knew we had to come out and play harder because we felt they outplayed us in the first half even though the score didn't indicate that," Jennings said. "In the second half, we came out, stepped up our pressure and tried to



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Troy Murphy scrambles from defenders in a recent game. In Thursday night's 61-58 loss to Miami, Murphy missed a key shot in the remaining seconds. The Big East player of the year scored 15 points in the contest.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish expect to extend four-game win streak over break

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

Spring break for most of us is a time for rest and relaxation, but for the members of the women's tennis team, it's time to extend a winning streak.

After soundly whipping four ranked opponents last week, the Irish stand at 11-4 on the current campaign.

Their record and four-match win streak will be put on the line with two

difficult matches over the spring holiday.

The Irish will head west to take on the Cougars of BYU on Saturday, before doing battle with the sixth ranked Waves of Pepperdine a week later.

Though BYU is unranked, they might



Zalinski

still provide Notre Dame with a stern test.

The Cougars boast a solid singles lineup, led by senior Eline Chiew who is ranked 53rd nationally. BYU is 6-4 on the season after losing to

Northwestern, a team Notre Dame recently upset, last week.

"We try to go into every match the same way," senior captain Kelly Zalinski said. "We'll be fired up and hopefully we can continue to play well."

The Irish have split six all-time meetings with the Cougars, but trounced them last year 9-0.

Michelle Dasso will be counted upon heavily to fend off a BYU upset bid. The junior All-American has taken her play to a new level, as she has been virtually unbeatable in singles competition.

A BYU team, weaker than a typical Notre Dame opponent, should give the

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NCAA Regional
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Saturday, All Day



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at NCAA Championships
Today-Saturday, 3 p.m.



CCHA Quarterfinals
vs. Ferris State
Today-Sunday, TBA



Diving
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Today-Saturday, TBA



at BYU
Saturday, 3 p.m.