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University officials anticipate an increase in tuition for the 2002-2003 school year because of high costs and a down economy.

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Winter weather causes county power outage

◆ Notre Dame students living off-campus lose power

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

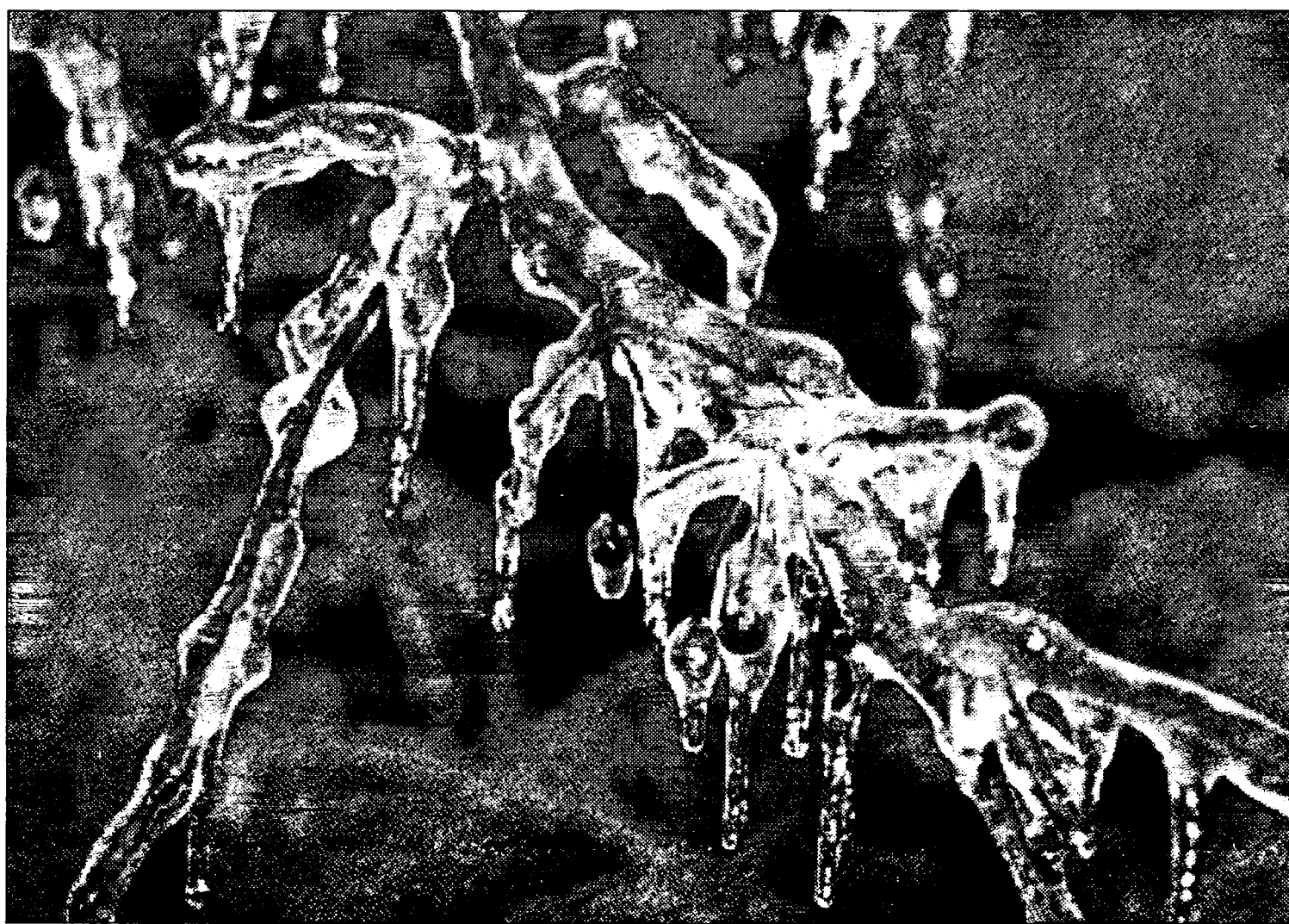
The overnight ice storm that paralyzed much of South Bend Thursday caused power outages at off-campus residences and crippled transportation to Notre Dame for students, faculty and staff.

At 9:30 p.m. Thursday, each of the apartment complexes that house major numbers of off-campus students was experiencing at least a partial blackout. Campus View, Castle Point, College Park and Turtle Creek complexes lost power Thursday.

Senior Mike de la Rosa discovered the power failure at his Castle Point apartment about 4 a.m. Thursday. As of 9 p.m., electricity had been restored to his neighbors' apartments, but his residence remained without power, he said.

"I thought the power would be on by now, so I went grocery shopping," de la Rosa said.

He and his roommates were storing food in a small refrigerator on the balcony of their second-floor apartment while



ANGELA CAMPOS/The Observer

Wednesday night's ice storm left frozen trees on and off Notre Dame's campus. Off-campus students who lost power are still waiting for the power to return in their apartments.

the power was out. They were using candles for lighting and heat.

"We're definitely keeping the windows closed and trying to keep warm," he said.

Lora Redford, also of Castle Point, shared de la Rosa's concern about staying warm.

One of the senior's two roommates recommended that the group stay in a hotel until the power came back on.

"It was pretty cold when I left earlier," she said. "We'll probably go back to the apartment, all sleep in one room and share blankets."

American Electric Power reported in a release that at 9 p.m. Thursday about 39,000 South Bend homes were without power. The company reported more than 65,000 outages in the northern

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◆ College calls fire department during ice, snow storm

By MYRA McGRUFF
Saint Mary's Editor

Along with the rest of St. Joseph county, Saint Mary's campus sustained damage due to Wednesday night's ice and snow storm.

Inundated with calls Thursday mornings, security sent facilities out to get power back on line for the buildings affected by the storm.

"Power was out campus wide and we had reports of power out in LeMans. The fire department was called to the Power House over a boiler," said security officer Belinda Rathert.

The fire department was called to the power plant at 5:16 a.m. as a result of the loss of electrical power and the build up of smoke in the boiler room. After the call, the plant switched boilers and made final checks around the plant.

"Electric power was lost on and off but there was no significant damage to the plant or workers," said director of public relations Melanie

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Ice storm stops Observer presses

Observer Staff Report

Power outages across Indiana forced The Observer to cancel publishing for the first time in 24 years.

The ice storm that struck Indiana Wednesday night knocked out power at The Papers Inc., the company that prints The Observer, early Thursday morning. The printing company did not expect power to return for many hours and sent its employees home. Without any other printing options, Observer editors were forced to cancel the print edition of Thursday's paper. Power was restored to The Papers shortly after 12:15 p.m. — too late for The Observer to be printed and driven to the campuses at a reasonable hour. Thursday's paper was available online, however, at observer.nd.edu.

The break in publishing is the first for The Observer since Jan. 27 and 30, 1978 when a snow

storm closed Notre Dame and Saint Mary's from Thursday, Jan. 26 to Monday, Jan. 30, 1978. The Observer resumed publishing on Jan. 31, 1978 when school reopened.

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's have canceled classes only two other times in recent memory. On Jan. 28, 1977, the schools were closed due to cold temperatures and high winds which produced a wind chill factor of -70 degrees. The Observer still published despite the school closing.

On Dec. 12, 2000 final exams were canceled for one day because of a snow storm. Although The Observer had ceased normal publication for the exam period, a special-edition Fiesta Bowl Irish Insider was delivered to campus.

Although the roads were declared off-limits except for emergencies, Observer driver Jack Radican braved the elements and brought the issue to campus.

ND holds 'Monologue' tryouts

By KATE NAGENGAST
Associate News Editor

Thirty-five women from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's arrived at LaFortune Wednesday to audition for roles in an upcoming performance of Eve Ensler's controversial play, "The Vagina Monologues."

Despite Saint Mary's decision to ban the Monologues from their campus last year, Notre Dame's Program in Gender Studies and the Film, Television and Theatre Department chose to sponsor two performances of the show as part of a nationwide initiative also developed by Ensler called, "V-Day: Until the Violence Stops."

"I think it challenges women to examine their attitudes and feelings about their bodies. It's very controversial and thought provoking. The strength in it is how it challenges women to think about and look about their bodies,

so I find it a useful experience for people to have," said Catherine Pittman, faculty advisor for the Campus Alliance for Rape Elimination (CARE) at Saint Mary's — the organization that attempted a production of the Monologues last February.

"CARE will not be involved [in the production]. Every year the students who are in CARE decide which projects they want to do. This year the students I'm working with are focusing on different things and I support what the students want," Pittman said.

"While we were certainly aware of the Saint Mary's controversy, the situation here seems so much different because the play is part of V-Day and because we were considering it as an academic and cultural event," said Glenn Hendler, acting director of Gender Studies at Notre Dame. "The comparison didn't seem at all relevant."

V-Day is a nonprofit project that "proclaims Valentine's

Day as V-Day until ... all women live in safety, no longer fearing violence or the threat of violence, then V-Day will be known as Victory Over Violence Day," according to the V-Day mission statement at the movement's web site, www.vday.org.

To raise awareness about violence against women, Ensler permits colleges worldwide to perform the Monologues during V-Day season without charging royalties — over 550 colleges nationwide and 700 worldwide currently participate, said Kerry Walsh, Notre Dame's campus contact for the V-Day campaign.

"I had heard about the Monologues my sophomore year when a few of my friends went to see it, but I had no idea what it was at the time," said Walsh. "Last year I was abroad and heard about the controversy at Saint Mary's through The Observer online,

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INSIDE COLUMN

Muire na nGael

Can you believe that it is already the first of February? Tomorrow is Groundhog Day, when we all get to see how much longer out belated winter will last and how much longer these icy storms will pummel us. As memories of winter break fade more and more quickly into our past, and JPW and Spring Break are coming fast around the corner, we can easily get distracted in the quick pace of college life. We're too busy pounding out essays on our keyboards, cramming for examinations and doing a little bit more for the organizations in which we participate.



Angela Campos

Lab Tech

But in this week and a half before the Lenten season starts, before we allow ourselves to be sucked into the decadence of activities, we need to look at where we are and what we are doing here. We need to stop and examine ourselves, looking at how we live and what we do for ourselves and others.

Today is the feast day of Saint Brigid, the Patroness of Ireland, Muire na nGael (Mary of the Gaels). She looked within herself and found that to truly fulfill herself she needed to become a nun. She founded a convent, which then became the foundation for the Cathedral city of Cill-Dara (Kildare). She cared for the sick and gave money to the poor.

I am not trying to say that, in preparing for Lent and Easter, we must aspire to become a part of the clergy, but rather saying that we must look at that which we have and do our best to use our resources to help others. It is how we look at others, how we see them with our own eyes, that will determine how we interact with them.

At my parish back home, named after Saint Brigid, they have an international food fair on the Saturday closest to her feast day. Not only does it bring the community together, it lets the old and young learn things about people and cultures that they did not previously know. It shows the children how we are all the same on the inside, the basic principle that we are all human, no matter what clothes he wears or what food she eats. This is how my community, my parish, back home celebrates this feast of a giving, loving saint. It gives its children memories to cherish and knowledge that is not biased in anger or hate, but tempered with understanding.

How can we, in the coming weeks before Mardi Gras and during the season of Lent, open ourselves to the understanding of other people? How can we reach out to those who need us? You don't necessarily have to give money or donate things, though those are always appreciated. Sometimes all you need to do is give your time - one of the most precious things you have to give. Listen to someone who's having troubles, play a game of chess with an elderly man, read a book to a little girl who can't yet read. Things done with love and patience help us understand and connect with other people. They help us understand the love that Saint Brigid had for her people and why she gave so much for them.

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S HISTORY

Blizzard forces schools to shut down

Thursday, Jan. 26 - Monday, Jan. 30, 1978

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's canceled classes for three days after a blizzard dumped 20 inches of snow on South Bend. Both schools decided not to require students to make up missed classes. South Bend received a total of 85 inches of snow in January, 1978.

Lozano donates \$1M to help Hispanic students

Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1991

Ignacio Lozano, Jr., donated \$1 million to Notre Dame in order to endow a scholarship fund for Hispanic students. At the time, Lozano was an executive at the nation's largest Spanish-language newspaper.

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Committee works to eliminate SATs in UC admissions

BERKELEY, Calif.

A top University of California academic committee proposed the development of new achievement-based admissions tests Wednesday, moving the university closer to fulfilling UC President Richard Atkinson's call to eliminate the SAT I.

A three-hour core achievement exam and two one-hour subject exams were recommended by the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools, which is responsible for undergraduate admissions policies, to replace present admissions tests.

The core exam would be composed of a mathematics section and a language section with a writing sample. The subject exams would test students on UC admission



requirements such as history and laboratory science.

Current tests required for UC admission are the SAT I or ACT and the three-test SAT II composite. Seventy-three percent of UC applicants take the SAT, 25 percent take both the SAT and ACT and 2 percent take the ACT alone.

The call for an achievement-based test departs from the current

aptitude-based SAT I. Long held as a "gold standard" of admissions tests, the SAT I's reputation for predicting student potential is "largely a phantom," the panel's report concluded.

Although aptitude tests have value in predicting freshman GPAs, the committee found the SAT II appears to be a better indicator of future performance than the SAT I. The best predictor, however, is high school GPA.

Achievement tests like the one proposed are better predictors of student potential than aptitude tests, committee Chairwoman Dorothy Perry said.

Supporters of the SAT, however, said they believe the exam tests essential abilities.

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Police identify body of missing student

COLUMBUS

Police have identified a body found in Delaware County on Wednesday as missing Ohio State University student Chris "Gersh" Gerspacher. Gerspacher was found in a ravine 15 feet from North Old State Road in Brown Township at approximately 1:20 p.m. Tuesday. Gerspacher's parents live in the city of Delaware, Ohio. Delaware County Coroner Dr. Daniel Traetow said the cause of death was a gunshot wound to the back of his head. "[That] was the fatal wound, but we are not saying how many times he was shot," Traetow said. Traetow said evidence points toward foul play. "It's not a suicide," he said. Traetow said evidence at the scene indicates Gerspacher was killed elsewhere, and he does not know how long Gerspacher has been dead. "Until we find out who killed him, we'll probably never know," he said.

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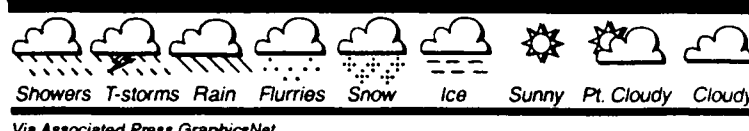
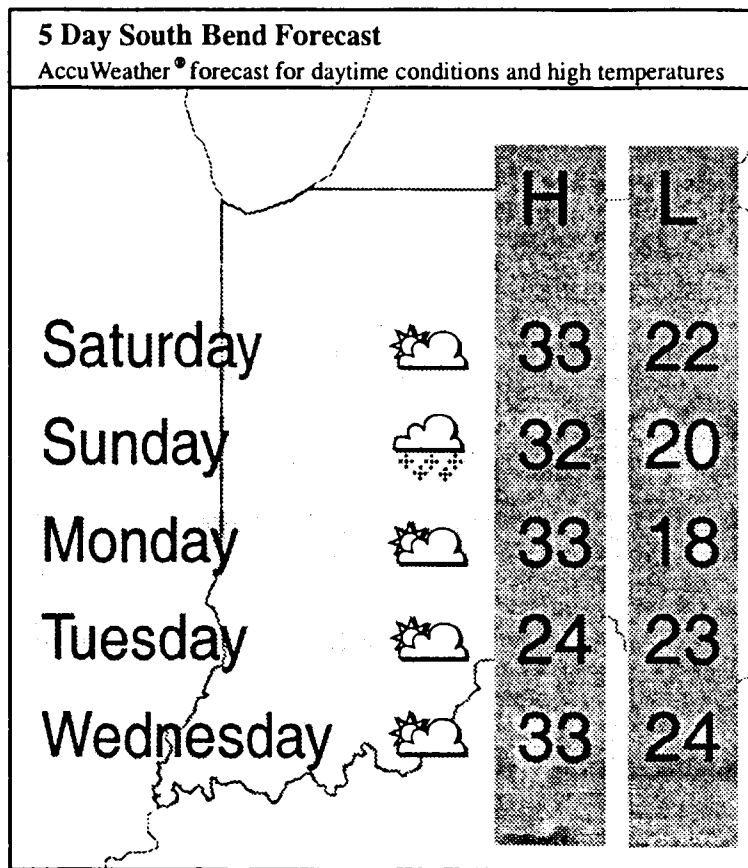
Officials restrict protestors

NEW YORK

New York University officials announced Wednesday major restrictions on dormitory guest policies this weekend in an effort to keep protestors at the controversial 2002 Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum out of NYU housing. From Thursday through Monday, students will only be allowed to sign in one guest who is not an NYU student at a time, and no guest passes will be issued, according to a University wide e-mail. The policy for guests who are NYU students - a limit of three guests signed in at one time - will remain the same during the forum, according to the e-mail. University officials didn't want protestors from out of town staying with students in University housing, NYU's Director of Student Services and Administration Beth Morningstar said. "It is the practice of many of these anti-globalization groups to contact students in residence halls in whatever city they happen to be protesting in and ask the students if they would be willing to put up protestors," Morningstar said.

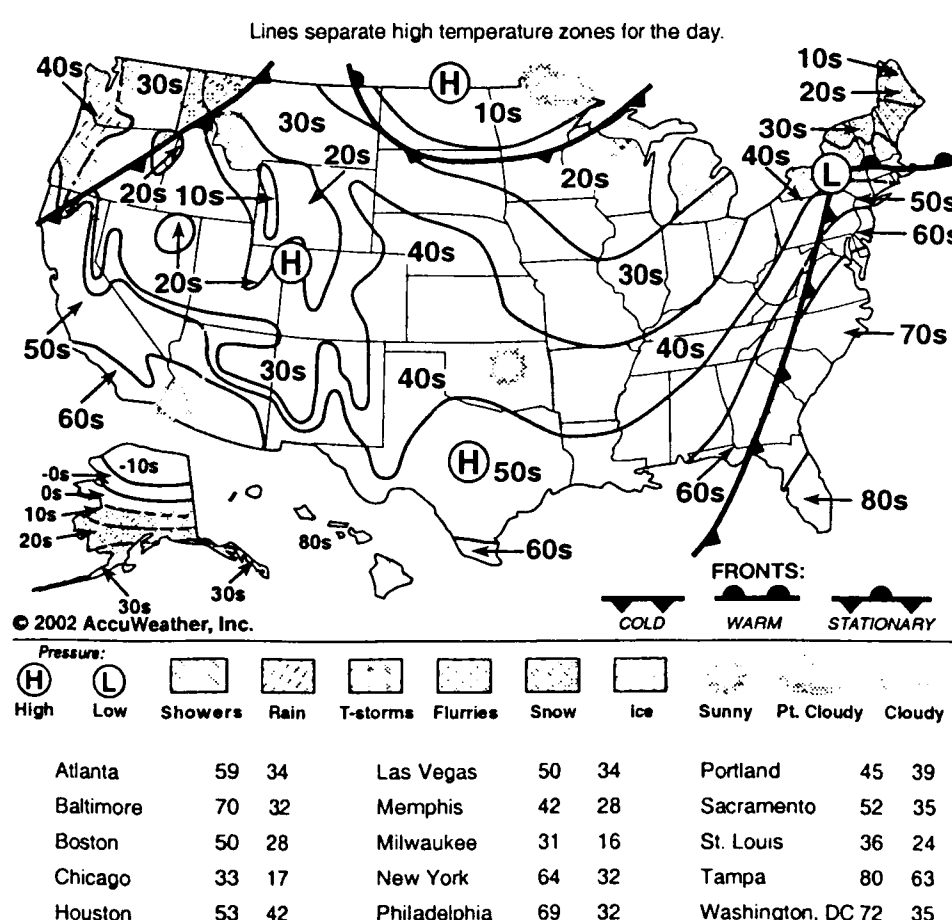
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The AccuWeather.com forecast for noon, Friday, Feb. 1.



Week promotes service as a blessing to others

By ERIN LARUFFA
Associate News Editor

While spending a semester living and working at an orphanage in Chile, then-sophomore Drew Gawrych decided to find a way to raise awareness among his fellow Notre Dame students about problems in other parts of the world.

"I was thinking to myself that there was a lot more Notre Dame students could do to be aware of global needs," recalls Gawrych, now a senior.

"There was a need for a week to focus on issues outside the Notre Dame bubble."

Once he returned to campus for his junior year, Gawrych developed the ideas he formed in Chile into Blessing Unto Others, a week-long series of events sponsored by the office of the student body president.

Last year, the first annual Blessing Unto Others raised \$6,900, primarily for two orphanages in Chile. This year, Gawrych, who co-chairs the office of the president's spiritual division, is running the week with Dennis Barrett, the

Blessing Unto Others project coordinator.

One of the week's goals, according to Barrett, is to raise awareness among Notre Dame students about how blessed they are.

"The point of the week is to realize how blessed we are, and that as Notre Dame students, we are called to pass those blessings unto others," said Barrett.

The week has two other main goals: to promote service and to raise money, Barrett added.

Seventy-five percent of the

money raised during Blessing Unto Others week will go to Lake View Secondary school in Jinja, Uganda, where several Notre Dame students have done service work. The other 25 percent will go to fund the office of the president's Greatness Grant, which provides money for student-initiated service projects.

In addition to developing a Web site — www.nd.edu/~bothers — Gawrych and Barrett have planned several free lectures for the week, as well as fundraisers.

To begin the week, former Notre Dame and Chicago Bears player Chris Zorich will deliver the keynote address on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in the Coleman Morse Lounge.

Zorich will encourage "students to reflect on how blessed they are here at Notre Dame, and how God calls us to share these blessings with others," Gawrych said.

According to Barrett, Zorich is the perfect keynote speaker because he has used his blessings of fame and money, which came from a professional football career, to set up programs to help those less fortunate.

"He's really used the many gifts he's been given to give back to people," said Barrett. "He embodies the ideals of what this week is all about."

On Monday evening, there will be a meeting and dinner of student leaders from clubs and residence halls. During the dinner, vice president for public affairs and communication Lou Nanni and his wife, Carmen who is the assistant director of International Study Programs, will speak about the effect community service has had on their family life.

Tuesday's event is a speech entitled, "Student Talk: Real Survivors: Student Reflections on Service in Africa," planned for 7 p.m. in Montgomery Theater. Seniors Nicole Burkette and Tanesha Dixon will speak on their experience participating in a Summer Service Project at Lake View Secondary School in Jinja, Uganda.

"It really changed their lives. Any Notre Dame student has

that opportunity and the talent to do service in Africa," said Barrett. "Hopefully, people will go and realize there are service opportunities they can take advantage of right now."

Blessing Unto Others week also includes a Mass and eucharistic adoration on Wednesday at 11 p.m. in Morrissey Hall's chapel. The mass will "allow students from across campus to gather together in prayer and worship as we reflect on our blessings," according to Gawrych.

On Thursday, senior Demetra Smith will speak on "The extraORDINARY Life of Service" at 7 p.m. in Montgomery Theater.

"Demetra is going to talk about how the life of service is really a fairly ordinary life that is built through small, simple actions," Gawrych said.

"We're trying to show people that service is not an impossible task," said Barrett. "You're not being asked to do these amazing, extraordinary things, to be Mother Theresa — but just to do your part."

The main Blessing Unto Others fundraisers come at the end of the week. A benefit music concert is planned for both Feb. 8, and Feb. 9. Senior vocalist Danielle Rose will headline both concerts. Friday's concert will also include The Undertones and Sydel Incorporated, while Saturday's concert will feature senior Mike Makens as well as sophomores Gino Signoracci and Joe Schmidlin. Both concerts begin at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$5 and are available at the door.

Blessing Unto Others closes with a campus-wide collection Feb. 10. Money from dorm collections will be donated to Blessing Unto Others.

"I think it's really important that the collection be campus-wide because it unifies the student body in giving," Gawrych said. Father Richard Warner has also agreed to donate Basilica collections from Feb. 10 to the cause.

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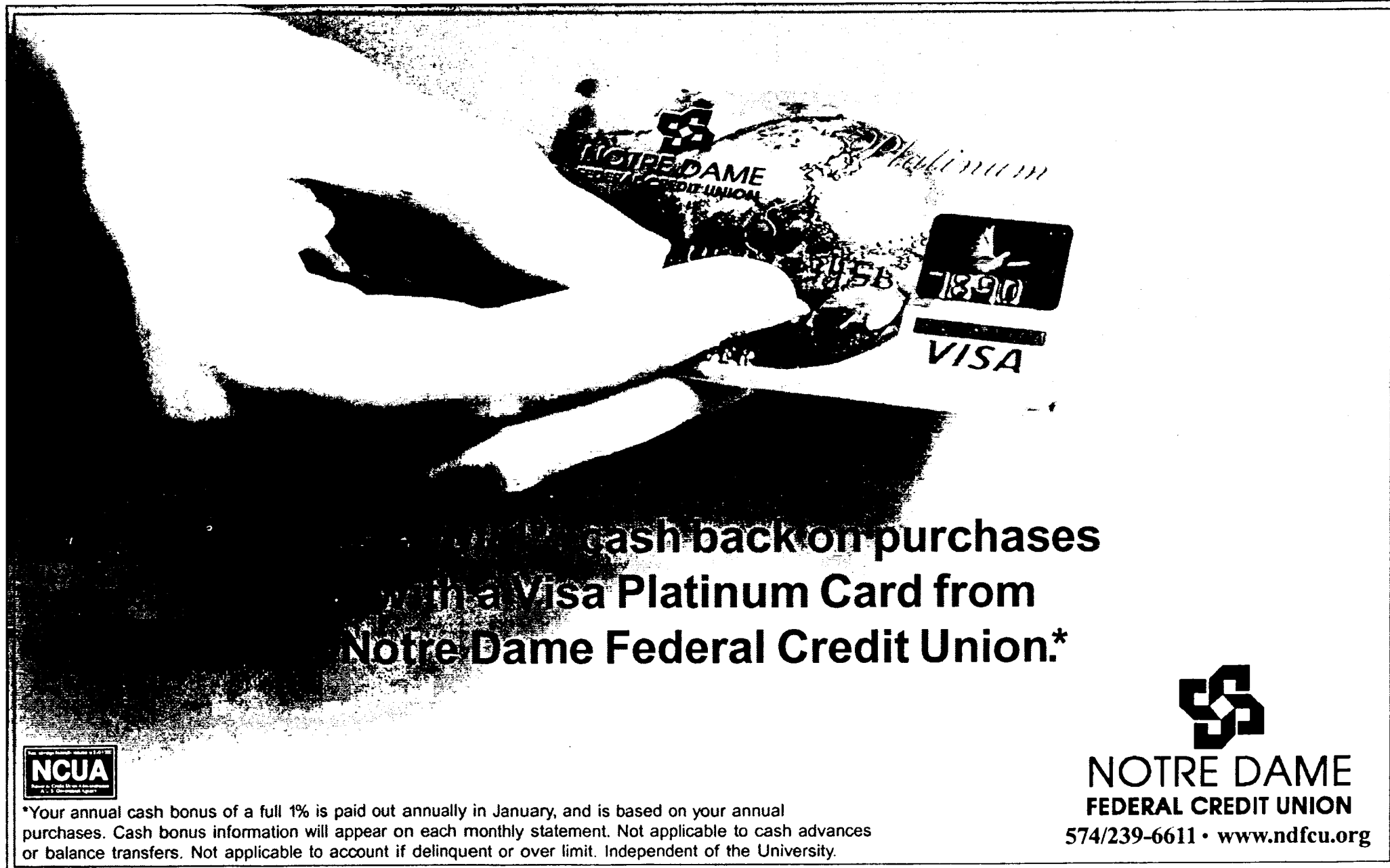
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University raises tuition due to inflation, costs

By LAUREN BECK
News Writer

As in the past, Notre Dame students can expect a tuition increase for the 2002-2003 academic year, due to growing expenses and a slowing economy, University officials said.

The Board of Trustees will meet Feb. 7 and 8 to review the budget, which is in its final stages of completion.

Officials could not comment on the exact amount of the increase before the Board of Trustees approved the budget, but Scott Malpass, vice president for finance and chief investment officer, said he did expect to achieve Notre Dame's goal to keep the annual increase below 5 percent.

When contemplating a tuition raise, officials must consider several factors, said Father Timothy Scully, executive vice president and a member of the Officers' Budget Committee, which works closely with the Board of Trustees in recommending a budget. "Most important is the net effect that tuition will have at Notre Dame," he said.

A subset of the committee establishes basic parameters for the budget, recommends them to the Officers' Budget Committee and then to the finance and investment committee. After review by the budget subcommittee of the Board of Trustees, the budget meets the entire Board for final approval.

"The Officers' Budget Committee meets frequently throughout the year to analyze data relative to the cost of living, salary increases and faculty benefits, financial aid, tuition increase — a whole range of cost drivers — and the need of campus, and potential revenues," said Malpass.

Overall, the Budget Committee considers the operating costs of the University and determines how much money is needed to finance them.

"Tuition doesn't come close to paying for a Notre Dame education. What you pay is about half of the actual cost. We have to consider how these costs will increase," said Dennis Moore, director of public relations and information.

According to Malpass, tuition and fee revenue make up about 55 percent of the total budget, so in effect students pay 55 percent of the actual cost. Revenues from the bookstore and athletic programs as well as earnings from the endowment make up for the difference.

Notre Dame's endowment, which is among the 18 largest educational endowments in the nation, is valued at approximately \$3 billion. Most of this money is donated for a specific purpose and cannot be used to defray tuition costs. Only about 10 percent of the endowment is comprised of unrestricted funds that may be used freely.

Earnings on the unrestricted endowment flow to the University's operating budget,

where some contribute to financial aid, said Malpass.

The committee also takes into account the pricing policy established by peer institutions with which the University competes for students and faculty, said Scully.

"We try to keep our tuition, room and board very competitive with top institutions, and we seek to be more affordable. We're looking to be less and we're succeeding considerably," he said.

Scully described the budget process as a balancing act. "We're tuition-driven and tuition-dependent because we get so much of our revenue from tuition. We're competing for faculty and students. As a result we have to be careful about tuition because if we fall behind, then salaries fall behind and we ultimately affect our ability to recruit talent," he said.

The slowing economy presented an added challenge to the budget this year. "We're operating in a different economic environment now, and this may affect the endowment and the budget. Nobody is certain what will happen in the next few months, so we have to account for that," Moore said.

In the good markets of recent years, said Malpass, the University earned a great deal of money on its investments. "That money flowed into the budget and allowed us to rely less on tuition. But that was an unusual market ... Now we are not making as much on our

investments, so we have to rely more on tuition for revenues," he said.

Malpass said that despite the present economy, the University would continue in its commitment to modest tuition increases.

The recent contract buyouts of former head football coaches Bob Davie and George O'Leary will not impact tuition, said Moore. "That is a separate element of the overall picture of our budget. It's really a drop in the bucket when dealing with a budget our size," he said.

While increasing tuition, the University strove to maintain its dedication to financial aid for its students. Officials lauded the recent improvements in financial aid.

The average financial aid package has increased from \$2,500 to \$14,000 over the last decade, said Malpass. "We are meeting the full need of students, and our increases in financial aid exceed the increases in inflation and tuition."

In the past decade, the inflation rate has been in the 2 to 3 percent range, while tuition has increased in the 5 to 6 percent range, said Malpass. Students often raised this criticism, but Moore called it an inaccurate comparison.

"Inflation takes into account the normal cost of living and maintaining a household ... We have to consider atypical expenses like salaries, new equipment, books, technology, competing for the best profes-

sors, and facilities which are built through alumni donations but whose operating expenses are not covered by the gifts and then become part of the budget," said Moore.

Officials touted last year's 4.9 percent increase as the lowest percent increase in more than 40 years. This \$1,430 increase raised tuition, room and board to \$30,530 and met with some criticism from students and parents.

But Moore justified recent tuition increases, "based on the quality of education we are providing and our aspirations to be better."

Malpass said many critics did not understand the financial structure of the University. "We're offering the best education, providing quality, recruiting the best students and professors, expanding technology — these are all very expensive ... At the end of the day, we're providing a great experience. I think you can judge that by what the value of a Notre Dame degree is," he said.

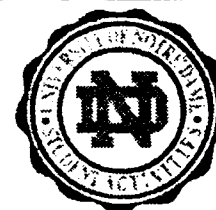
Officials said they expected the Board of Trustees to continue to approve annual increases in tuition.

"We're not content to rest on our laurels as an institution," said Moore. "We have a lot of aspirations to become better, and those cost money."

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ND AFTER FIVE



Thursday, Jan. 31

- 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Winter Career and Internship Fair, Joyce Center (career fair begins at 4:00 p.m.)
- 5:00 p.m. ND Women's Swimming vs. Northwestern, Rolfs Aquatic Center
- 5:15 p.m. Daily Mass, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 7:00 p.m. Film, *Best In Show*, Hesburgh Library Carey Auditorium
- 7:30 p.m. Keenan Revue, O'Laughlin Theatre, Saint Mary's College (tickets required)
- 8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Drop-In Lacrosse, Rolfs Sports Recreation Center
- 9:00 p.m. - Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, LaFortune Student Center
- 9:00 p.m. Acoustic Cafe, LaFortune Student Center Huddle
- 10:00 p.m. Movies: *Moulin Rouge* and *Trainspotting*, DeBartolo 101 and 155*

Friday, Feb. 1

- 5:00 p.m. ND Men's Tennis vs. Ohio State, Eck Tennis Pavilion (matches begin at 3:30 p.m.)
- 5:00 p.m. Down Hill Ski Trip, buses leave Hesburgh Library Circle at 5:00 p.m.*
- 5:15 p.m. Daily Mass, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 6:00 p.m. ND Men's and Women's Track Meyo Invitational, Loftus Sports Center
- 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Drop-In Badminton, Rolfs Sports Recreation Center
- 7:05 p.m. ND Men's Ice Hockey vs. Alaska Fairbanks, Joyce Center Fieldhouse
- 7:30 p.m. Keenan Revue, O'Laughlin Theatre, Saint Mary's College (tickets required)
- 7:30 p.m. Sporting Event: The Harlem Globetrotters, Joyce Center Arena*
- 7:30 p.m. Movies: *Moulin Rouge* and *Trainspotting*, DeBartolo 101 and 155*
- 7:30 p.m. Play: *Rumors*, Washington Hall*
- 8:00 p.m. 807 Mass, Coleman-Morse Center Student Lounge
- 8:00 p.m. Piano Concert: Tamari Gurevich, Snite Museum of Art, Annenberg Auditorium
- 8:30 p.m. - Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
- 9:00 p.m. Loft Show featuring The Alpha Bet and Neil Carmichael's Band, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom
- 9:00 p.m. Crafting Corner: Mardi Gras Masks, LaFortune Student Center Dooley Room
- 10:00 p.m. Movies: *Moulin Rouge* and *Trainspotting*, DeBartolo 101 and 155*
- 10:00 p.m. - 1:30 a.m. Tournament Fridays: Scrabble Tournament, LaFortune Student Center Notre Dame Room
- 10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Card Night, Welsh Family Hall, 24-hour Lounge

Saturday, Feb. 2

- 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass, Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- 6:00 p.m. ND Men's and Women's Track Meyo Invitational, Loftus Sports Center
- 7:05 p.m. ND Men's Ice Hockey vs. Alaska Fairbanks, Joyce Center Fieldhouse
- 7:30 p.m. Keenan Revue, O'Laughlin Theatre, Saint Mary's College (tickets required)
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- 7:30 p.m. Play: *Rumors*, Washington Hall*
- 8:00 p.m. Third Annual Multicultural Comedy Show featuring JoKoy, Drew Lacapa and B Phlat, Reckers
- 8:30 p.m. - Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
- 9:30 p.m. Murder Mystery Theatre, Lewis Hall*
- 10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Concert: Oblates of Blue, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Angolans withdraw from Congo:

Angola has withdrawn its last troops from Congo after supporting the government in three years of civil war, a senior Congolese military official said Thursday. Deputy Army Chief of Staff Dieudonne Kayembe made the announcement at the international airport in Kinshasa.

Colombian newspaper editor shot:

A gunman shot the deputy editor of a daily newspaper in western Colombia, leaving him in critical condition, a colleague said. The alleged gunman was later arrested. Orlando Sierra was shot Wednesday as he walked to the offices of La Patria newspaper in Manizales after having lunch, said Alvaro Segura, another editor. Sierra, 41, was hit several times, including in the head.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

FDA clears anthrax vaccine:

The government cleared the nation's sole maker of the anthrax vaccine to begin shipping the shots Thursday after four years of factory violations that have stalled efforts to protect the military from the bioterrorism bacteria. Thursday, the Food and Drug Administration said BioPort's factory had met all federal requirements to resume production and shipments of anthrax vaccine to the Defense Department, which owns all of the shots the Lansing, Mich., company makes.

Red cross plans for Sept 11 aid:

The American Red Cross expects to collect \$850 million in its terrorist attack relief fund and plans to disburse 90 percent of the money by Sept. 11, 2002, charity officials said Thursday. The Red Cross said it already had distributed \$490 million to victims' families and people who lost their home or job because of the terrorist attacks.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

National Guard recruiter may be suspended:

A military panel recommended Wednesday that an Indiana Army National Guard recruiter should lose his rank, \$1,000 in pay and spend seven days in confinement for his role in an enlistment scandal. The five-member panel on Tuesday convicted Master Sgt. Robert E. Wyse Jr. on charges of forgery and violating an order. Wyse, 44, was accused of coordinating a conspiracy to use forged physicals to enlist more than 100 people into the Guard.

PHILIPPINES



A protester burns a makeshift American flag during a demonstration outside the US Embassy Jan. 30, 2002 in Manila, Philippines. Several groups converged on the embassy to demonstrate against the US military. AFP PHOTO

Filipinos train to fight terrorism

Associated Press

ZAMBOANGA

U.S. troops on Thursday began training Filipino soldiers in the fight against Muslim extremists in the face of large protests, a mission that an American diplomat said would help eliminate "terrorist parasites."

A group of 36 American and 100 Filipino troops held a ceremony opening the mission on a parade square in the southern city of Zamboanga, where more than 100 U.S. soldiers are already deployed.

Some 500 more

Americans, including special forces, are to arrive in coming weeks for the six-month mission to train Filipinos soldiers fighting the Abu Sayyaf, which has been linked to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network and currently holds an American missionary couple hostage.

Filipino officers said the U.S. soldiers will mainly train the local troops on helicopter night flying and in other tactics involving sophisticated equipment.

But some special forces will be authorized to shoot in self-defense as they accompany Filipino

soldiers into combat zones on the islands near Zamboanga where Abu Sayyaf operates. Opposition politicians say the mission violates a constitutional clause which restricts foreign combat troops on sovereign soil.

Robert Fitts, the U.S. charge d'affaires in the Philippines, told the troops at the Zamboanga ceremony that the mission will "help eliminate the terrorist parasites who threaten Filipinos as well as the United States."

Fitts countered the impression by some politicians and opposition

groups that President Bush's State of the Union Address issued a veiled threat to intervene aggressively in the Philippines' war on Muslim extremists.

In his address, Bush said that if countries do not deal with terrorist activities on their soil, "America will."

Rep. Saturnino Ocampo, a former spokesman for Marxist rebels, said Bush's statement "exactly portrays the arrogant stance of the U.S. to justify its unilateral action and intervention in other countries in the name of fighting terrorism."

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Powell won't negotiate for reporter

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Secretary of State Colin Powell on Thursday ruled out negotiations to gain the release of a Wall Street Journal reporter abducted in Pakistan.

Powell said "we are doing everything we can" to gain the release of reporter Daniel Pearl. Powell said he had talked about Pearl's plight with Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf and that he, too, would do his best.

"We need to be concerned about his safety," Powell said.

But, he said, "the demands of the kidnappers are not demands we can meet or deal with or negotiate on."

The kidnappers' demands include better treatment for terror suspects held by the United States at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and the return of prisoners held by Pakistan.

Meanwhile, a top Treasury Department official plans to urge Pakistan's president to take all steps possible to bring about Pearl's release.

Deputy Treasury Secretary Kenneth Dam, who will go to Pakistan and India next week, will "encourage the

government of Pakistan to do everything it can to hasten the speedy release from captivity" of Pearl, said Treasury spokesman Robert Nichols.

Dam plans to meet Monday with Musharraf and other Pakistani officials, Nichols said.

Powell conferred by telephone with Musharraf on Monday, the State Department said.

An e-mail sent Thursday purportedly by the kidnappers of Pearl extended the deadline for killing him by one day. The unsigned e-mail was received by Pakistani and Western media.



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Wednesday night's ice storm made travelling more difficult for off-campus students, faculty and staff trying to get to campus.

Blackout

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Indiana and southwestern Michigan areas that comprise Michiana.

At its height, the blackout affected more than 86,000 AEP customers.

Around Notre Dame's campus, the ice storm downed tree limbs, disrupted traffic lights and prevented off-campus students, faculty and staff from traveling to the school.

The University officially remained opened, but ice-covered tree limbs fell from trees throughout the day and professors hampered from travel-

ing to campus cancelled classes.

Bikes and benches outside campus buildings were framed in ice Thursday. And sections of University grounds, including areas near Walsh Hall, were cordoned off with police tape to protect passersby from falling branches.

The Landscape Services Department headed efforts to clean up the debris, according to Phil Johnson, assistant director of Notre Dame Security/Police.

Johnson, whose own home lost power Thursday, said his office received no reports of damaged buildings or other property as a result of the storm.

One official reported to students a leak in the roof of the Law School library's main reading room. In a Thursday e-mail, Roger Jacobs, associate dean for Library and Information Services, said water soaked about a dozen books on the library's south wall.

Jacobs said a maintenance crew was repairing the roof and that a Hesburgh Library preservation staff was drying the books.

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Moscona, Oxley apologize for campaign e-mail

♦ Judicial Council issues 'minor' sanction to ticket

By ERIN LARUFFA
Associate News Editor

On Monday, the Judicial Council required Brian Moscona and Keri Oxley, candidates for student body president and vice president, to apologize to their opponents following "a minor infraction," according to John McCarthy, Judicial Council vice president in charge of elections.

The infraction involved a statement in an internal e-mail to Moscona and Oxley's campaign staff. In the e-mail, Moscona and Oxley encour-

aged their staff to discuss with them any questions that might arise about the feasibility of other candidates' platforms.

A staff member from another ticket's campaign found out about the statement, and brought it to McCarthy's attention. After investigating the matter, McCarthy and Judicial Council president, Tim Jarotkiewicz, decided that a sanction was necessary. According to this decision, Moscona and Oxley retracted the statement "to

clear up that they weren't attacking their [opponents'] feasibility," according to McCarthy.

Under the bylaws governing the student body election, candidates are prohibited from "insulting or defaming" other candidates, said Jarotkiewicz.

"It was minor," McCarthy said. "It doesn't have to be blown out of proportion."

Despite the message that they sent in their email, Moscona and Oxley had previously encouraged their staff to

avoid discussing other candidates in a negative way, according to campaign manager Tai Romero.

Also under election bylaws, the decision to sanction candidates should be made by a six-member executive committee of the Judicial Council's election committee.

However, that committee, which the Student Senate approved Wednesday night, had not yet formed when Moscona and Oxley committed the violation. Therefore,

McCarthy and Jarotkiewicz had to investigate the issue and decide on sanctions.

Although the Judicial Council waited until after election campaign began to form the executive committee, the council was following the timeline established last year, according to McCarthy. The fact that he and Jarotkiewicz made the decision in no way affected the severity of the sanction, according to McCarthy.

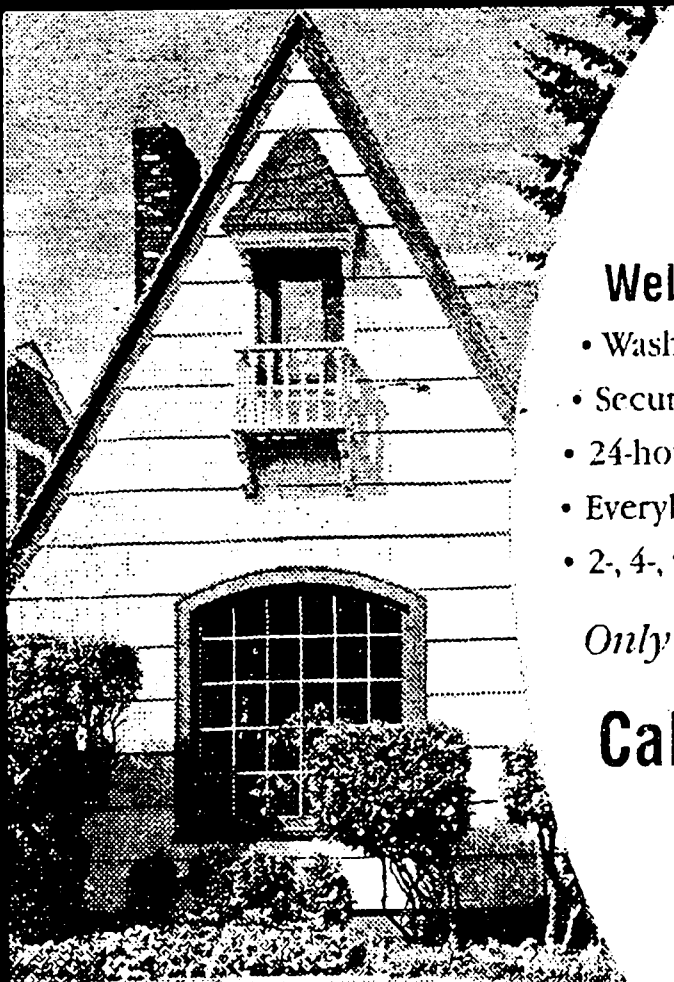


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"It was minor ... It doesn't have to be blown out of proportion."

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Students attended the University's Winter Career and Internship Fair Thursday at the Joyce Center where over 150 organizations were present.

Storm

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Engler.

However, Engler would not confirm if the power plant power outage was weather related.

Grounds crew was called in early to shovel snow and clear trees from side walks in preparation for classes.

"We came in at 6 a.m., an hour early to clear the trees. We took

the big tree down in front of LeMans, so now we have mostly branches to clear," said grounds crew member John Stephenson.

The grounds crew expects to continue clean-up today.

"We've got a long way to go," said Lance Towne. "Ice is worse than snow and it's going to be ugly."

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Play

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so I decided I needed to read it when I got back from France last year. I read the play over the summer, and that same night went to vday.org to read about the college campaign. After I looked at the web site and considered the Saint Mary's fiasco, I didn't want it to just die like that."

"Students initiated the V-Day event in a very responsible way," said Hendler. "The play is well-respected and widely performed; universities across the country are staging performances as part of V-Day observances. Thus it seemed to me unquestionable that it would be appropriate as ... part of the kind of thoughtful and practical engagement with social concerns ... that a gender studies program at a Catholic university should be encouraging."

"I can't make any comments about what's going on with [the Saint Mary's] production, but I met with a girl from IUSB and a girl from Saint Mary's before this even got started to collaborate," said Walsh. "It's been very much a supportive group effort. I have never done this before so I have definitely gotten a lot of help and advice from the girls at IUSB and Saint Mary's — it's been very inclusive from the start.

There will be girls from Saint Mary's involved in the production as well."

"As with every talk, film or performance we sponsor, our sponsorship carries no implication that we necessarily support every statement made in this play," said Hendler. "Sponsorship means that we believe the play deals with important issues that are worth discussing."

To promote such discussion, the week of the performance will include additional events such as an art show and poetry reading, and potentially a panel discussion and a campus-wide service project involving the YWCA Women's Shelter, said Walsh.

"My main goal right now is for this to be an all-inclusive project," said Walsh. "For a long time now I've felt like I'm the only feminist on this campus. ... I want to make my convictions as a feminist more universal ... men can be feminists and women shouldn't be afraid to be feminists. A secondary goal is to make people aware that violence against women does happen around the world and at Notre Dame and to raise money for that cause."

Mary Beth Asmussen, a junior theater major and gender studies minor auditioned for the Monologues and agreed with that cause too.

"I had never seen [the Monologues] but I heard a lot and remembered the

big shake at Saint Mary's last year, so I thought this would be a great opportunity. This is a really neat project, a unique group of people and a unique opportunity, especially for this school," Asmussen said.

"I auditioned reading 'The Woman Who Loved to Make Vaginas Happy' because I like the idea of doing things that are eccentric, but I've heard there are a lot of great [monologues] so there are lots I'd like to be involved in. I also think it's great that this project is tied to the women's shelter," she said.

All proceeds from the Monologues performances in 101 DeBartolo on Feb. 25 and 26 will be donated to St. Joseph Count Sex Offence Services, the YWCA Women's Shelter and a small portion returns to the V-DAY organization to aid Afghani women, said Walsh.

Walsh also said Ava Preacher, assistant dean in the College of Arts and Letters, had been instrumental in organizing the Monologues.

"I just signed up as campus coordinator ... and now I've become default director of the show," Walsh said. "I've just kind of become 'The Vagina Girl.' It's gotten to be so much bigger than I expected it to be."

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Malloy recalls experiences

By V. VAN BUREN GILES
News Writer

As University President Father Edward Malloy was growing up in Washington, D.C., he never thought that he would someday become the president of the most highly recognized Catholic university in the country.

Then, Malloy received an athletic scholarship to play basketball at Notre Dame.



Malloy

"Based on the significant cost of Notre Dame at the time, the only way I could come here was on scholarship," said Malloy. "I was a shooting guard at Archbishop Carroll High School in Washington, D.C. — our team once held the record for the most continuous wins — 55."

Even now that he is president of Notre Dame, in his office there is still a picture of him as a high school student holding up a championship plaque — with one time Georgetown Hoyas head coach John Thompson in the background.

But a professional basketball career was not in Malloy's future.

"I knew that by my junior year of college I wanted to teach," he said.

He also decided to enter the seminary. His career as a teacher and priest eventually led him to university administration. In 1987, Malloy succeeded famed Notre Dame president and human rights advocate Father Theodore Hesburgh. He is

currently in his third five-year term as president.

"The average term for a University president is only three years. I have been very happy filling this post for as long as I have," said Malloy.

There have been many bright moments in Malloy's career.

"Notre Dame is a great place with a diversified faculty and student body. I am happy to have seen our financial aid program flourish while strengthening the religious aspects that are in keeping with the ideals of Notre Dame," he said. "Becoming involved in the preparation and implementation of the fundraising campaign has exceeded a many of my own goals."

Malloy has also traveled to many different countries as a representative of Notre Dame. "The most dramatic places I have been are in India and China. I have traveled to Potala, which is the Dalai Lama's headquarters in Lhasa, Tibet," he said. Malloy admits that one of his favorite destinations is Machu Picchu in Peru, which is known as the lost city of the Inca nation.

In addition, the new theology building, attached to the Decio faculty building, garnishes his name at the benefactor's request. This structure stands as a tribute to Malloy's years of service to the Notre Dame community.

Of course, every Notre Dame president faces bumps on the road during his tenure in office. Malloy remembers some of the darker moments the school has dealt with, including the NCAA violations that shamed the University during the 2000 holiday season.

Filling the head football coach

position this past year was also a trying time for the administration.

"Bob Davie worked very hard, but he did not succeed in the goals we set out for him. After his dismissal, we gathered information on every possible candidate that would best suit the position," said Malloy.

Malloy hand selected and presided over the committee that scoured the nation looking for the perfect person to fill one of the most coveted positions in collegiate athletics.

"We found that George O' Leary came highly recommended and was eminently regarded, but there were inadequacies on his resume that we felt prevented him from continuing as the head football coach here at Notre Dame," said Malloy.

"There are going to be crisis that must be handled. I can look back and easily say that the good moments I have experienced at Notre Dame definitely outweigh the bad ones," said Malloy. "I think of the women's basketball championship as one of the greatest moments for the school in recent history."

Malloy believes that athletics is an integral part of Notre Dame, but he also feels that the University's primary mission is to church and society.

When he retires, Monk hopes to continue teaching. He also has two books in the works. One is a collection of stories involving the Notre Dame community, and the other chronicles his travel experiences.

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Poverty, terror concern forum

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Guarded by phalanxes of police, the World Economic Forum opened Thursday with an upbeat view of the U.S. economy but recognition that the world faces long-term battles against poverty and terrorism.

Against a backdrop of generally peaceful demonstrations and scattered vandalism targeting symbols of corporate America, about 3,000 international business, political, academic and religious figures discussed key problems facing the world.

Some 4,000 police were assigned to forum security, with so many concentrated around the conference site at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel that it reminded some New Yorkers of the intense security after the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

"We are gathered here to exercise, more than ever, leadership in frag-

ile times and to develop a vision for a shared future," Klaus Schwab, the founder of the forum, said at the official opening ceremony.

Earlier, a top official of a private industry group predicted the U.S. economy will grow 1.5 percent in 2002.

"My view is that the U.S. recession is over, that November will be viewed as the trough," said Gail Fosler, chief economist at the Conference Board, a business-financed group that issues influential monthly economic reports.

Europe's recovery will probably take hold in the third and fourth quarters but the pace could be slower than in the United States, said Klaus Zimmerman, president of the German Institute for Economic Research.

"We're struggling with the sins of the past in terms of government spending," he said.

The outlook for Japan remains bleak, said Jacob Frenkel, former head of Israel's central bank who is president of Merrill Lynch & Co.'s international division.

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College hosts Peace Corps

By SARAH NESTOR
News Writer

Saint Mary's held a post-graduate service panel Wednesday with representatives from the Peace Corps, Americorps and Holy Cross Associates. The panel discussed issues and answered questions about service opportunities that are becoming popular options for college graduates.

The Peace Corps is a two-year program, three months of training in needed skills and knowledge of a country's culture and customs. Assignments can be in education, business, environment, agriculture, health and community development. Although volunteers can suggest which country they want to work in, the decisions are made by the Peace Corps.

Sylvia Jumawan worked in Niger as a health volunteer. She chose the Peace Corps because she wanted to work overseas and for the protection it offers in a foreign environment as a government organization.

"The skills you learn in the field you are able to bring

into any work situation. You find out what your goals are and what is important to you," Jumawan said.

The Peace Corps has three goals, which include creating skilled volunteers, to impart on others who Americans are, and to get the people who are taught to teach the Americans about their own culture.

"You have to have a passion to serve."

David Wilkeson
Americorp volunteer

working through Americorps, another volunteer program.

"The real value is that you are out there learning and you do receive monetary compensation for room and board," Chaudoir said.

Americorps works to help children read make safer neighborhoods, building affordable homes and helping with natural disasters. It is a one-year program that can be renewed every year.

"The biggest challenge is becoming emotionally drained but as I continued to serve my passion grew. You have to have a passion to serve," Wilkeson said.

Sarah Chaudoir and David Wilkeson spoke about their experiences while

Anne Moriarity spoke about opportunities available with Holy Cross Associates. The Holy Cross Associates is a program that offers participants an opportunity to integrate their Christian faith through service, community living, prayer and simple lifestyle. There are several sites across America, which ask for one year of service and then a two-year program in Chile. Volunteer placements include homeless services, education, neglected children and many others.

"A volunteer needs to be open minded. It's good to have expectations but know what you get is probably going to be different from what you expected," Moriarity said.

The panel also stressed that it is important to find the volunteer opportunity that is best for you. Doing research into different programs and a complete understanding of what a year or two as a volunteer you gain and lose.

The Peace Corps will be at Notre Dame conducting on-campus interviews Feb. 20. Interviews can be scheduled through the Notre Dame Career Center.

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MBA students seek jobs in recession

By HELENA PAYNE
Assistant News Editor

Even with one degree already under their belts, graduate students in search of jobs have been affected by the economic recession. But the job outlook for them is not so gloomy according to Lee Junkans, senior director of Career Development for the Notre Dame Master of Business Administration program.

"There are good jobs out there. It's just going to take more effort this year to find them," said Junkans.

"Wherever there's a group of students that are interested in that particular field, we'll work with them to help develop a career interest group."

Lee Junkans
senior director, Career Development

Although businesses such as manufacturing services, financial services and some consulting firms have visited campus this year, Junkans said Career Development has had to offer newer services in order to prepare graduate students to be competitive in a tight job market.

"[The students] pick up and read the papers every day," said Junkans. "Most of them have a good sense that it's going to take a good effort."

Chris Reeves, an MBA student in his second year, said he is networking with old contacts in order to secure a job.

A 1995 Notre Dame graduate who majored in economics, Reeves worked in corporate finance for Worldcom and WebMD between his years as an undergraduate and now. He said he hopes to continue working in either corporate finance or consulting after he graduates in May.

"It's a little tougher than in years past," said Reeves. "On-campus recruiting is down here as it has been at business schools all over the country."

He added that although there has been a demand for MBAs, he and his classmates have been very realistic about the job search.

"Nothing is ever going to land in your lap. I don't think anybody came to business school expecting jobs to just

land at your feet," Reeves said.

Reeves said he and other MBA students predict a change in the market by May — just in time for graduation.

"I think everyone's hope is that the recovery is going to come in the second half of the year," Reeves said.

Like Reeves, Junkans said many MBA students have remained optimistic about the down economy due to the ability of other students to obtain employment.

"As their classmates get jobs, that's a positive note to them, just another reminder

that there are good jobs out there," Junkans said.

"The MBAs [are] using their networks and we're working with them," Junkans said.

This month, Career Development

began to form career interest groups in order to help students. Through these groups, MBA students can share contacts and resources with fellow students who are looking for jobs in the same industry or city.

"They will use each other as a resource in addition to the famous Notre Dame alumni network," said Junkans adding that, with more specialized groups, students can usually have one contact from the Notre Dame alumni for each industry in a particular city instead of having multiple contacts.

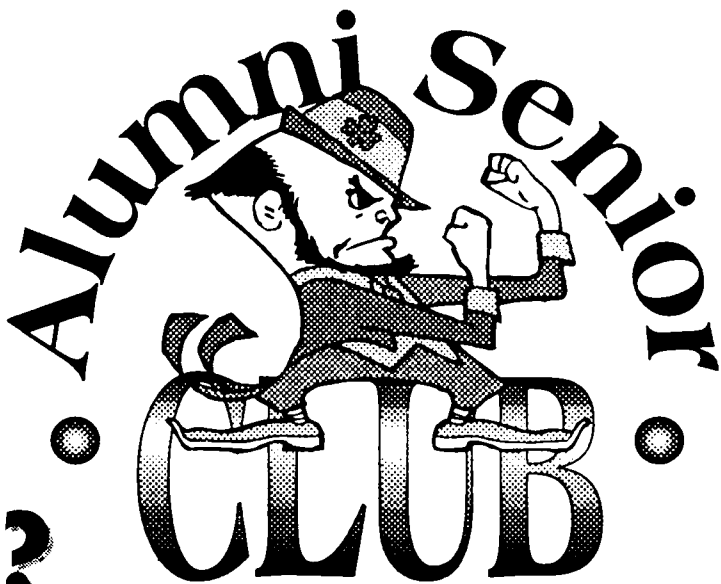
"Wherever there's a group of students that are interested in that particular field, we'll work with them to help develop a career interest group," Junkans said.

Along with the career groups, Junkans said the Mendoza College of Business has continued to invite speakers to talk about networking. The College also participates in several consortium-type recruiting events throughout the year.

"We need to be doing something in a tougher economy to help students identify opportunities," said Junkans.

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Applications available:

January 28 through February 18

114 Coleman-Morse Center

1/31 today

San Egidio Community

6:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Crypt

Liturgical & Social Concerns

Commissioners Appreciation Dinner

5:30 p.m.

Hospitality Room, South Dining Hall

Vespers follows at Dillon Hall Chapel

2/1 friday

Eucharistic Adoration

11:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

NDE Retreat #69 Retreat

Fatima Retreat Center

Sophomore Class Retreat

Sacred Heart Parish Center

Learning to Talk About Race Retreat

Lindenwood

Dia De La Candelaria Mass

Log Chapel

807 Mass

8:00 p.m.

Lounge, Coleman-Morse Center

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9:30 p.m. to Midnight

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Coleman-Morse Center

2/2 saturday

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331 Coleman-Morse Center

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Monday-Tuesday

11:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Fisher Hall Chapel

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Right to Drink

CONSIDERATIONS...

■ by Fr. Gary Chamberland c.s.c.,

Rector, Keenan Hall and Assistant Director of the RCIA program

At 3:46 AM, the phone rings in the night. Instantly awake, any lingering residue of sleep disappears with the double ring of an off-campus call. With trepidation, I pick up the receiver. This is Tim at Security/Police. An officer is at your back door with one of your boys. We found him intoxicated...."

Just another drunk brought home on a Wednesday morning by Security. Sadly, this is a frequent reality on our campus. Many other students are hospitalized because their intoxication is so severe that their condition constitutes a medical emergency. Countless others avoid detection and wander back to their rooms to pass out and "sleep it off."

My time at Keenan Hall has been eventful. One resident was found knocking on doors in the neighborhood near Lafayette Apartments looking for his room. Another young man had an unstoppable nosebleed because of blood thinned by alcohol. A third passed out on the lawn of the Credit Union at 3:00 AM. The fellow found hiding in the bushes after running through Farley Hall in the wee hours was also very intoxicated. Multiple, late night incidents at Recker's all share alcohol as a

common denominator. Four times, DUIs have been given to young men of my acquaintance. Each time, the phone rang late in the night and I walked to the door to collect my youthful charge.

In hall, we have had guys pass out in the showers while drunk. We have endured vomit in toilet stalls, shower stalls and the elevator. Desk drawers and closets have been used as toilets and an expensive laptop computer was used as a urinal. Falls from lofts have resulted in bruises and shouting, arguing, laughing and slamming doors in the middle of the night have awakened countless people. All are directly related to drunkenness. Men and women have left Keenan Hall strapped to stretchers with blood alcohol levels so high that they could not be awakened for six hours. One resident retched so violently that he tore his stomach.

Sadly, this reality is not particularly bad by campus standards.

We have an alcohol problem at Notre Dame. Many students abuse a dangerous drug and consider it commonplace, while some proclaim it as a right. Students regularly get drunk, abuse their bodies, vandalize campus, destroy personal property (examine the bent-rimmed bicycles around campus), and pick fights with friends and passers-by. And this is not even taking into account the deep effects this behavior has on their spiritual and psychological selves.

"I don't get it," they spit out angrily, "I have a right to drink!" In fact, they don't. States may limit certain behaviors for the common good and our nation has decided that one must be 21 years of age to drink alcohol. Most undergraduates have not attained that age. The university may also limit the consumption of alcohol on its premises. While this university may provide some level of tolerance for alcohol, we enforce Indiana State Law when attention is drawn to a situation. There is no right to drink alcohol at Notre Dame.

Even if 21, there is no right to get drunk, especially in a public place. The sweeps of tailgaters last fall raised quite a stink, especially among graduate students. "How can they cite me," was the cry. "I'm over twenty-one." These folks should check their citations. "Public Intoxication" is illegal at any age.

Alcohol is a key issue on this campus. The effects of alcohol abuse are obvious and plentiful, impacting both individuals and communities. Lives are disrupted and destroyed by it. If any other drug or issue impacted the life of this community so strongly, we would address it head on. But not alcohol, because beer is a part of college.

Let us remember that getting drunk is immoral. The choice to get drunk is not simply a personal matter. It is an abuse of the gift of one's body and a means by which one rends the Body of Christ. Its immoderation is a violation of the virtue of temperance. God's gifts are abused through excess and the reality of our lives is blanketed by the wreckage wrought in our drunken stupor. Our ability to relate is impaired and relationships are damaged, sometimes irreparably, by actions taken while under the influence. While drunkenness may be a sad and tragic explanation, it is no excuse.

There is no right to drink or get drunk. Drinking might be a choice, but getting drunk is immoral. Though always willing to forgive us our failings, the Church's forgiveness presumes contrition. Contrition implies a willingness to change. Drunkenness as sinful calls for sorrow. True sorrow desires a transformation of life. Grace abounds to complete that transformation.

We have issues to face on this campus regarding alcohol. These issues are not primarily about legality and liability. Rather they are issues of morality and spiritual growth. Are we up to the challenge?

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

■ Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Saturday, February 2 Mass

5:00 p.m.

Rev. Robert J. Dowd, c.s.c.

Sunday, February 3 Mass

10:00 a.m.

Rev. Richard V. Warner, c.s.c.

11:45 a.m.

Rev. John E. Conley, c.s.c.

■ Around Campus

Sunday, February 3

Spanish Mass

1:30 p.m., Zahm Hall Chapel

Law School Mass

5:00 p.m., Law School Chapel

MBA Mass

7:00 p.m., Mendoza COB Chapel

Rejoice! African American Catholic Mass

10:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Notre Dame Chapel

Coleman-Morse Center

■ Sunday's

Scripture Readings

1st Reading Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

2nd Reading 1 Cor 1:26-31

Gospel Mt 5:1-12a



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Judicial Council sanctions free debate

This week, Brian Moscona and Keri Oxley's campaign for student body president and vice president was sanctioned by the Judicial Council for making comments deemed "insulting or defaming" toward other candidates.

The comments, which brought about the sanction, were issued in an internal campaign staff e-mail. The statement in question read: "If you have any questions about the platform ideas of other tickets please contact one of the people at the bottom of this e-mail [Moscona and Oxley] ... most of the ideas are not feasible!"

For this action, Judicial Board forced Moscona/Oxley to retract the previous statement and apologize to the other tickets.

Even though the Judicial Council declared the violation minor and gave Moscona/Oxley only a slap-on-the-wrist apology requirement, its actions were still too great given the violation.

When handing down this punishment, the Judicial Council failed to recognize the difference between "insulting and defaming" comments against an individual and "insulting and defaming" comments against a platform. Name-calling and petty personal attacks against other candidates have no place in an election. Criticism of an opponent's platform, however, should not be considered detrimental but is in fact crucial to campaigning.

If candidates cannot even acknowledge that some platform

goals of other candidates might not be feasible, then why bother campaigning? Campaigning is mostly about convincing others that your platform goals are strong while your opponents' goals are weak.

In its ruling against the Moscona/Oxley ticket, the Judicial Council told the ticket that comments about other platforms should be reserved for the debate.

While restricting a crucial element of campaigning to solely the debates was the incorrect decision, Moscona/Oxley's actions can hardly even be considered campaigning. The statements in the

private e-mail did not encourage campaign workers to make public statements against other candidates. Moscona and Oxley asked their campaign staff to feel free to ask them about any of the goals of opponents platforms.

These weren't public campaign statements. If candidates cannot even discuss among their staffs the strengths and weaknesses of other candidates, how can they be expected to prepare for the debates?

The intent of the rule against "insulting and defaming" comments is to keep candidates focused on issues and not let the campaign degenerate into a battle of personal attacks. This interpretation of the rule however, has undermined candidates ability to discuss the issues. The absence of open discussion and debate about issues is truly "insulting and defaming" not some harmless instructions in a private e-mail.

The
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Editorial

Be aware of awareness weeks

In case you hadn't noticed, May 7-11, 2001 was designated "National Drinking Water Week." Those who drove by the old pump station off U.S. 31 would have seen it adorned with a large white banner displaying, among other things, a smiling creature with a dewdrop for a head.

Christine Niles

As I See It ...

After AIDS, cancer and heart disease awareness weeks, did Congress (or the administrative agency they assigned to do the job) just run out of ideas? Were there leftover weeks lonely for national significance? I suppose we ought to remember those in countries still without clean drinking water, suffering from dysentery and filarial worms (more likely to befall hapless tourists in third world countries clueless enough to drink unfiltered tap water). Since such illnesses arise from lack of sanitation in general, wouldn't it make more sense to designate it, "National Sanitation Awareness Week," or, more to the point, "National Don't-Defecate-in-the-Same-Water-You-Use-for-Cooking-and-Bathing Week"?

In case Congress is still looking for ideas, some friends and I, tired of the same old topics, thought we would do our share and provide a list of equally important issues deserving at least a week's worth of national recognition:

1. National Aware-of-Awareness Week. It is always a good thing to be aware, generally, that one ought to be aware. Suggested ribbon color: aqua-blue.

2. National Bubonic Plague Awareness Week. It wiped out one third of the European population, and who's ever apologized for that? Suggested ribbon color: eggplant.

3. National Cigarette Lighter / Bucket Death Awareness Week. Did you know more children die from playing with ciga-

rette lighters than from guns? It's true — but how many of us ever hear about it? And buckets contribute to at least eight children's deaths per year. Suggested ribbon color: teal.

4. National Parietals Awareness Week. At least one week ought to be devoted to the many dedicated students of Notre Dame willing to fight ... for the right ... to party — at least for that extra hour. Other students take up the cause of international human rights violations, economic or religious freedoms, or any number of causes for the oppressed. Notre Dame students, I take it, count themselves among "the oppressed." The poor things. Suggested ribbon color: lemon.

5. National Garrett Hardin Awareness Week. He writes about maintaining population control by restricting our "freedom to breed" (i.e., have children). Not only do his articles contain more platitudes than insight, he's creepy. We need an apology. Suggested ribbon color: brick.

6. National Federalist Society Awareness Week: According to the media, this Society is a cult of black-hooded subversives who plot the overthrow of the government, the takeover of the federal judiciary — and skin babies alive. The nation must be on its guard. Suggested ribbon color: cornflower.

7. National Common Nucleus of Operative Fact (CNOF) Awareness Week. This rule has served as the gateway to more crowded federal court dockets, to the delight of many otherwise restricted litigants. We'll let the non-lawyers figure this one out for themselves. Suggested ribbon color: taupe.

8. National Conformal Mapping Awareness Week. It has nothing to do with maps. It's math. Nevermind. Suggested ribbon color: mustard.

9. National Stellar Sea Lion Awareness Week. What would we do without those overzealous environmentalists to spread

misinformation and wreak havoc to fishing communities? After getting a law passed restricting fishermen from mining the sea of Pollock fish (sea lions' main food source), new findings show that the decline in sea lions has more to do with an increase in the number of Orca whales, which love snacking on those tasty stellars. Suggested ribbon color: rainbow.

10. National Mayonnaise Awareness Week. If the fat tax doesn't work, then a week's exposure to the wonders of this cholesterol-enhancing staple is sure to enlighten. Suggested ribbon color: flesh.

We hope Congress seriously considers our proposals. We've anticipated some potential problems; for example, all the weeks for next year may already be taken up with other topics. This problem can be resolved by replacing those issues that have had their fair share of national attention with some of ours. For instance, Gun Awareness can be bumped to the year after next, and National Cigarette Lighter/Bucket Death Awareness Week can take its place. Perhaps it would spark a debate on safety locks for cigarette lighters? The Second Amendment doesn't speak on the issue, so anti-lighter lobbyists would fare pretty well. AIDS Awareness, always politicized by the "in crowd," could be replaced with National CNOF Week — let's give the "out crowd" a hearing. Then there is always National Multiculturalism Awareness Week, which could be replaced with Federalist Society Week. After all, if a cult of cloaked baby-eating revolutionaries is not worth national attention, then I really do not know what is.

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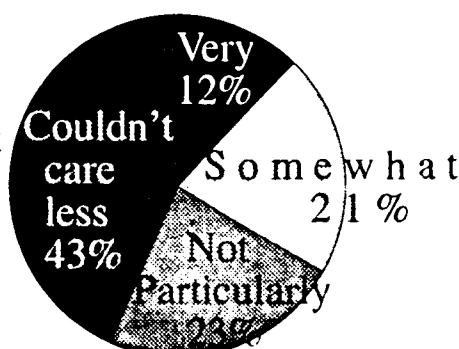
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"Patriotism varies, from a noble devotion to a moral lunacy."*William Inge
theologian

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Readers respond to abortion debate claims

Arguments must stimulate further thought

I think that Mr. Butland would agree that debate is ultimately pointless if no conclusions are reached. That is why I find his letter yesterday entitled, "Clearing up misconceptions on life," so curious. His recommendation of publicly agreeing to disagree makes the fundamental error of confusing an armistice with a peace. By demeaning both Mr. Allegra's and Mr. Hudnall's views as "involving blind emotion, casual assertion or perhaps both," Mr. Butland argues from the high ground of reason.

However, he then recommends an end to the public debate because of the impossibility of reconciliation. This is exactly a capitulation to "blind emotion, casual assertion or both." When one invokes reason in debate, he must expect his listeners to consider that reasoning. Almost all people have the ability to reason (and surely all at this University have this capacity), and therefore a reasonable argument is universal. One never has the right to be irrational.

I am sure that particular pieces of the abortion debate can be argued in an editorial format and that pure reason can shorten the distance between the two opposing camps. And while it is frustrating when the latter fact is ignored by

zealots on either side, we cannot let rational discourse yield to histrionics if we hope to resolve the abortion debate at some point in the future. And as I said before, there is no point to arguing if we do not expect some resolution. In addition, when an aspect of the debate is logically apparent, we as rational beings have a duty to make this aspect publicly known.

Beyond these methodological objections, I present a final wrinkle: There are definitely some things we cannot discern through reflection, such as the exact moment of "quickening." Given that we control no other recourse to knowledge, perhaps we are not able to know such things? And if we are not able to know the moment of quickening, or when so many physical life processes actually constitute life, how can we make a positive decision on when life begins? I realize I may have come to the same conclusion as Mr. Butland, but I do not advocate silence. My recommendation: Err on the side of caution.

Jack Cosgrove
freshman
St. Edward's Hall
Jan. 29, 2002

Appeal to Aquinas is not infallible

Only at Notre Dame can we find someone using Aquinas, of all people, to defend abortion, or at least suggest it may not be wrong. While it is nice to see a freshman citing Aquinas, and even according him some respect, we need to remember that Aquinas was not infallible. For instance, he questioned the doctrine of the immaculate conception (which had not yet been formally defined, so he was entitled to doubt it). He was not the Pope, just a theologian, and to them our Lord granted no special graces of authority (that is news to some of them, for sure). The Church has since spoken, and proclaims that life begins at conception; I am sure Aquinas would accept this teaching, as he would the freedom of Mary from original sin.

I am sorry to see Brodie Butland scandalized by someone pointing out a parallel between abortion and the Nazis. Are we who believe abortion is wide-spread infanticide somehow supposed to sugar-coat it, so people like Brodie do not get offended and call us "doomsayers?" Far from "obfuscating" the issue, seeing connections between abortion and other crimes against mankind puts it in clearer

terms and shows its severity.

Abortion is as complicated as you want to make it, Brodie. You can see it for what it is, or you can come up with sophisticated cases to defend it. You know, even many feminists, faced with increasingly troublesome arguments and facts showing that unborn children are truly alive, have changed their tack in supporting abortion. Many of them have given up the old strategy of claiming that unborn children are just lifeless blobs, and now say they are parasites, unwelcome life-forms draining the resources from "host" women — like tapeworms or fungus. Mean old Ayn Rand would be delighted to hear babies likened to parasites.

You have three years yet to get a clue, Brodie. For now, it was nice of you to condescend to write a few "weak paragraphs" — instead of the treatise you would like — and help "pollute" the editorial page. How nice it must be to be able to say both sides are wrong.

Eric Glass
class of '00
Jan. 29, 2002

Savoring the semester

Last semester, prior to Notre Dame's final home football game, Observer Editor-in-Chief Mike Connolly described how he would awaken early, relish every second of the pre-game activities and the game, then remain in the stadium until the gates were locked. For all we know, he may still be sitting in the stands savoring his final moments as a student spectator.

Gary Caruso

Capitol
Comments

For most seniors this semester draws to a close the unique experience that is Notre Dame. I learned how to better appreciate and stretch each moment during my last semester on campus. Decades later, my conscience efforts to remember my final semester have given me a more fulfilling life full of awareness ... both at Notre Dame as well as after graduation.

Concentration can extend a minute beyond sixty seconds. Seize a moment to look long and hard at your surroundings and into the faces of your teachers, classmates, dining hall personnel, campus police, roommates. Make a mental note of appreciation for a friend's quirkiness, savvy or uniqueness. Drink in the cool spring breezes on campus or a colorful sunset on the horizon. Stop to scrutinize the habits of a campus squirrel.

Decades from now you will not need to flip through old photographs that vaguely remind you of your college years. Rather, you can enrich your being by recalling many wonderful remembrances, along with an occasional heartbreaking recollection. Your new

awareness will open your senses to better appreciate and substantiate others throughout your lifetime.

I last saw my father two weeks before his passing, yet I can replay an entire weekend in my mind. On Friday we attended the unearthing of a time capsule he buried twenty-five years prior. We took the dogs to a nursery where we bought flowers and planted them around the house on Saturday. I took his picture late that afternoon with my new digital camera, the last photograph ever snapped of him, on our front porch. We attended mass on Sunday and then visited a funeral home to pay our respects to an old family friend. As I waved good-bye from the road on that Mother's Day Sunday, he waved back from the porch. It was the last time I saw him alive.

While time may have fuzzied my feelings of doubt and frustration over leaving the country club atmosphere of college, I have forever burned into my mind many memories of funny incidents and mischief. My Imus-like programs on WVFI radio were cutting edge for the time and got me canceled in mid-semester. I can still see and hear my sidekick, a freshman named Kevin Walsh, who passed away eight

years after our show.

My surprise February birthday party featured a keg of beer (yeah folks, these times were back in the day). We used the entire third floor of Lyons Hall where the keg and food resided on the archway side of the floor while

the music and dancing extended throughout the remainder of the hallways. Unlike many of my fellow hall residents, I remember the entire evening because of my effort to savor that event. Most of the others, because of our unique thriftiness in preparing for the party, only remember how the dining hall contributed ten-pounds of cheese, balogna, salami, several loafs of bread, boxes of crackers and a couple industrial sized boxes of potato chips and peanuts.

When a fifty-some degree spring breeze blows through my Washington, D.C. window, I feel a Notre Dame breeze that reminds me of our fire-cracker commando raids against the St. Mary's shuttle bus. I re-live an all-nighter just before Easter and a spring dance at St. Mary's College. Those moments will never leave me. They are rekindled when I hear "Dancing in the

Moonlight." They are as vivid today as the nights we danced, conducted our sorties or crammed for a mid-term test.

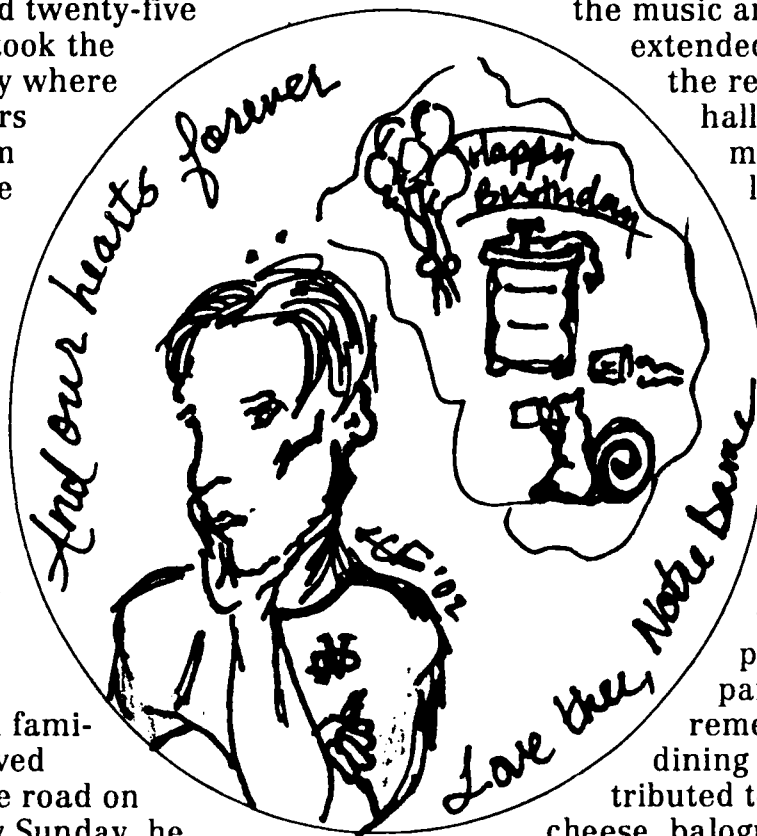
Many of my classmates cannot recall these moments. They seem to have lost their collegiate memories when they moved on to another stage of their lives. Some are not as much fun anymore. They cannot separate from their personal, professional and family responsibilities without a martini or pill. Yet despite their changes, I have locked them forever into my mind as they once were when we shared our youth.

We have, on a daily basis, opportunities to change our lives. Beginning today, each one of us can expand our appreciation of our surroundings and of those with whom we live. While it takes concentration, dedication and effort, it is never too soon to burn our experiences onto the CD of our minds. That comprehension can construct a fulfilling existence.

Mike Connolly had the right idea about savoring his last home football game. He can forever re-live that day with excitement and fond memories. If he concentrates as much on other events and persons throughout his life, he will savor many national championship moments.

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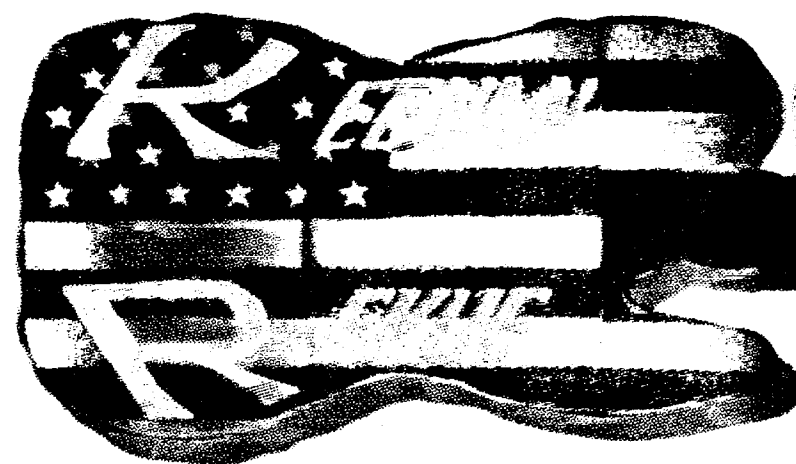
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*"The Keenan Revue" — 26 years*By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

Nothing is constant except for change. That may be true everywhere — everywhere except for Notre Dame. When the "2002 Keenan Revue" opened last night with Green Day's "Basketcase," the words may have been from a different time and place, but the meaning was the same.

The "Keenan Revue" was born in the cold November nights of 1976. The brainchild of Tom Lenz and Rick Thomas, class of '77, the Revue was begun for a number of reasons.

Notre Dame in 1976 elicited many of the same complaints as it does today: a social scene that revolves around alcohol, poor relationships between the sexes and an oppressive administration. The campus was in the clutches of the then-Dean of Students James Roemer (a '70's Bill Kirk), who enforced administration rules with an iron fist; something had to break; the rebellion was about to begin.

"This was 1976, about five years after co-education [was introduced], there was a lot of griping about coeducation and the lack of girls ... The social situation was bad ... I had friends that went to big state universities that were so much more open and free. Notre Dame seemed so tight and buttoned-down," Lenz said.

Lenz and Thomas, both Keenan Hall resident assistants at the time, began to brainstorm ways to lighten up the campus. They wanted to produce an event that did not necessarily involve getting extremely drunk and would relieve the student body's frustration.

The "Revue" was to have meaning in another way: Lenz and Thomas wanted to commemorate the death of a Keenan Hall student, Jim Gallagher, who

had been killed the year before while hitchhiking home from Niles, Mich., after a night of drinking under Michigan's 18 year-old drinking age. Notre Dame had reversed a decision to allow any on-campus drinking and students often made the eight-mile trek to Michigan to imbibe.

Lenz and Thomas, with the support of their rector, sought the support of the Keenan Hall president and vice-president, Rich "Bear" Hebert and Jim Sullivan.

Hebert and Sullivan, who had run on a platform of increasing the social life of the hall, finally convinced the hall council to allot their entire fall budget, about \$300, to produce the event.

"We didn't know what would come of it; it was an act of faith," Sullivan said.

What would come of it would be one of the most anticipated events on either campus: The first

Revue on Nov. 6, 1976 would found a tradition that has endured for 26 years. A bunch of self-described cut-ups wanting to express their frustration and commemorate a friend ended up creating something beautiful.

The "New Keenan Revue," as it was then known, was organized as a talent show, but neither Lenz nor Thomas knew the kind of talent that Keenan Hall would produce. The first show ran the Vaudeville gambit of acts with a pianist, a jug-

gler, a barbershop quartet, a violinist, a few skits and a mock news update.

The would-be small talent show produced in the decrepit Washington Hall — where bats would swoop at the audience from the dark ceiling — attracted a crowd that flooded the seating, the floor, the lobby and snaked around the sides of the building. The audience went so wild for the meager show, the group gave an encore performance the next weekend.

"The thing that was really astonishing about it was that we had envisioned a hall talent show, and there was so much talent ... It really took on a life of its own," Lenz said.

Lenz is proud of helping to found the "Revue;" he even uses the story in his professional work as a community organizer.

"It's a tremendous personal satisfaction [to have helped found the "Keenan Revue."] I often tell the story of the "Keenan Revue" as a sort of parable about the hidden talents people have ... The enduring lesson it taught me was that there's a lot of hidden talent in people that never sees the light of day," Lenz said.

This year's "Keenan Revue," dubbed "The 2002 Palindrome Revue," follows the precedents set 26 years ago. "Revue" producer junior Dave Cantos still sees the show as representing something productive at Notre Dame.

"[The "Keenan Revue" is] a good way to see what goes on in the life of a college student. It's also a good way to have a little faith in college students these days ... [it

shows that] there is a lot of talent here and when parents send their kids to school they just don't sit around their dorm rooms and drink," Cantos said.

Cantos, like most of the men in the show, has been involved in the production since his freshman year. Four years ago, Cantos' RA was the head writer of the "Revue" and encouraged Cantos to tryout for the show. Cantos was cast in the opening skit that year and has increased his involvement each year; the "2002 Keenan Revue" features three of Cantos' skits.

The "Revue" is presented to the student body free of charge, even though the show costs about \$11,000 to put on. Although the "Revue" is traditionally produced in only one week, the organization of the show begins as soon as students return from summer break in August.

As producer, Cantos is in charge of raising funds, mostly from alumni donations, T-shirt sales and advertising in the program. But, the bulk of Cantos' responsibilities were completed about a week before the show. It was then that senior Kevin Carney took the helm to direct the show.

The "Keenan Revue" is traditionally rehearsed for only one week. Last Friday, Cantos and Carney began their day-and-a-half audition process for acts in the show. About 95 acts were presented for con-

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"I often tell the story of the "Keenan Revue" as a sort of parable about the hidden talents people have."

Tom Lenz, '77
co-founder of "Keenan Revue"



Russ Giancola and Blake Kirkman disturb the course of their history in "Russ and Blake's Great Adventure." Pants are not required for time travel.

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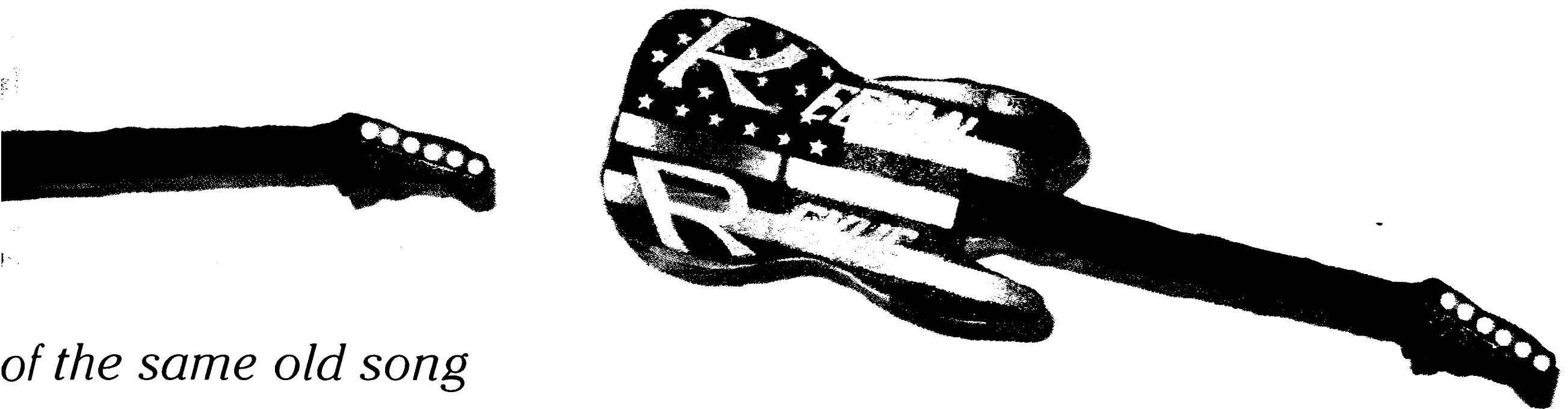
The men of Keenan Hall lip-sync to the Japanese boy band an expression means "I did it." Regardless of what they me

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sideration, but Cantos and Carney could only accommodate about 25 for the show. The pair felt that the selection process was difficult because they had to cut acts that were worthy of being in the show.

Carney looked for acts that would be more progressive than in previous years; he wanted new jokes and new ideas (although many running jokes remained unchanged).

"While I'll laugh at the dirtier and raunchier stuff, I wanted to make sure the show wasn't all about that. I think that we did a pretty good job of keeping the pretty derogatory and across the line stuff out of the show," Carney said.

Neither Carney nor Cantos has had any previous theatre experience, except for Carney's 12-line role as Butch, the schoolyard bully, in his elementary school's production of "Little Red Schoolhouse." They see the show as it has always been: a night of entertainment and leisure, not a full-scale theatrical production.

"You kind of have to sit back sometimes and remember that you're just a student that plays

"The Revue' shows there is a lot of talent here and when parents send their kids to school they just don't sit around their dorm rooms and drink"

Dave Cantos
producer

video games and drinks beer on the weekend with your friends ... we're just a bunch of guys who are trying to give something fun to the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses," Carney said.

In fact, Cantos doesn't think that success of the "Keenan Revue" has anything to do with a special quality of Keenan Hall or its residents. The success of the "Keenan Revue," he believes, comes from the idea of the show itself as an activity to promote creativity and entertainment.

"I think maybe it's the show itself that brings out the funny parts of people who don't think they're funny," Cantos said.

Funny, is of course the simplest way to classify the antics on stage at the "Keenan Revue."

Following in the steps of its founders, the "2002 Keenan Revue" begins with a musical cover. The high-energy introduction is, of course, topped off by the cast of the show removing their shirts and performing a marching band-esque dance culminating with the mass removal of their quick-release pants — perhaps a more modern addition to the show.

The "Revue" leaves almost no issue on campus unscorched — from an ROTC-style physical training session for Pax Christi, to a parody of teaching assistants that cannot speak English.

Although this year's "Revue" roasts campus groups for particular characteristics, Carney and Cantos cut down on some of the more offensive material from previous years.

But "Revue" fans will certainly still see their favorite stereotypes on the O'Laughlin stage: Breen-Phillips Hall girls are fat, Farley Hall girls smoke, McGlinn Hall girls have head lice and Pasquerilla Hall West girls are hairy (or "giant, weightlifting pandas" as the case may be).

Absent are some of the stereotypes that fueled the controversy last year for which the Saint Mary's Board of Governance considered a ballot initiative to prohibit the "Revue" from happening on its campus. Carney and Cantos wanted to stress the function of the Revue as a coming together of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities.

"It ties the two campuses together," Cantos said.

The Revue still takes its fair share of shots at campus institutions with skits that revolve around a George O'Leary Career Center, a halftime show in which the marching band salutes hip-hop, a review of the year's most famous typos and debacles in The Observer and, of course, the ubiquitous Jesus jokes.

Most of the skits are original material. From a dead-on reenactment of the classic Nintendo game "Mike Tyson's Punch-out" to the standup comedy styling of Ryan Cunningham, the acts in the "2002 Keenan Revue" show a remarkable creativity and vibrancy.

While some skits were fairly traditional such as the "Saved by the Bell" skit, others bordered on the bizarre. Skits like "Dwarf Invasion 2," in which German punk rocker dwarves play a rowdy piece about their impending invasion, and "Yatta!," where six cast members lip-sync the lyrics to the scantily clad Japanese boy band group of the same name, offer an odd look into the minds of the men of Keenan Hall.

In the end, all those involved in the show or those that have been involved in the show feel that all their hard work has been worth it.

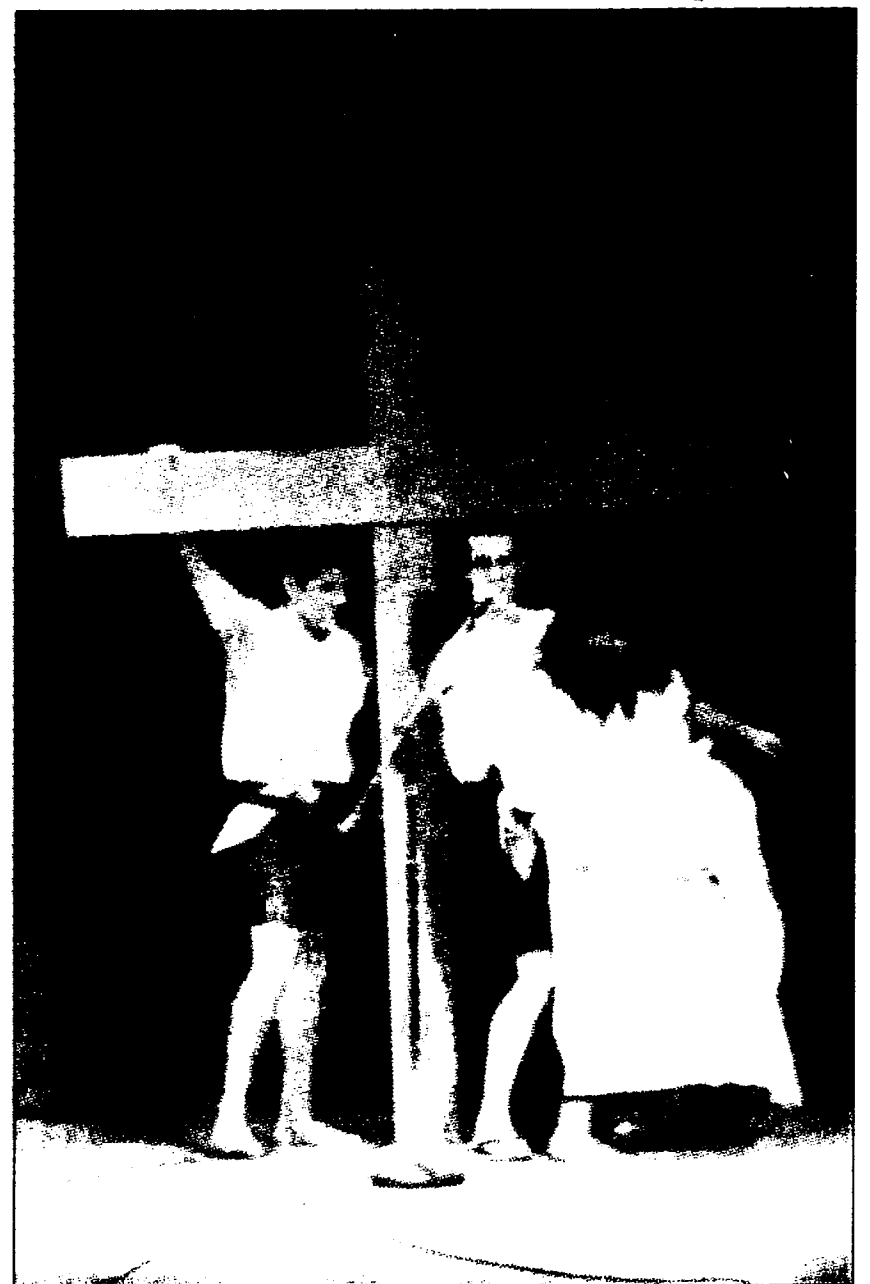
"If I helped get one guy a date at Notre Dame, I would think my time was well-spent," Sullivan said.



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"Yatta!" In Japanese, "yatta" means "did it," but used as an, the men get the audience laughing.

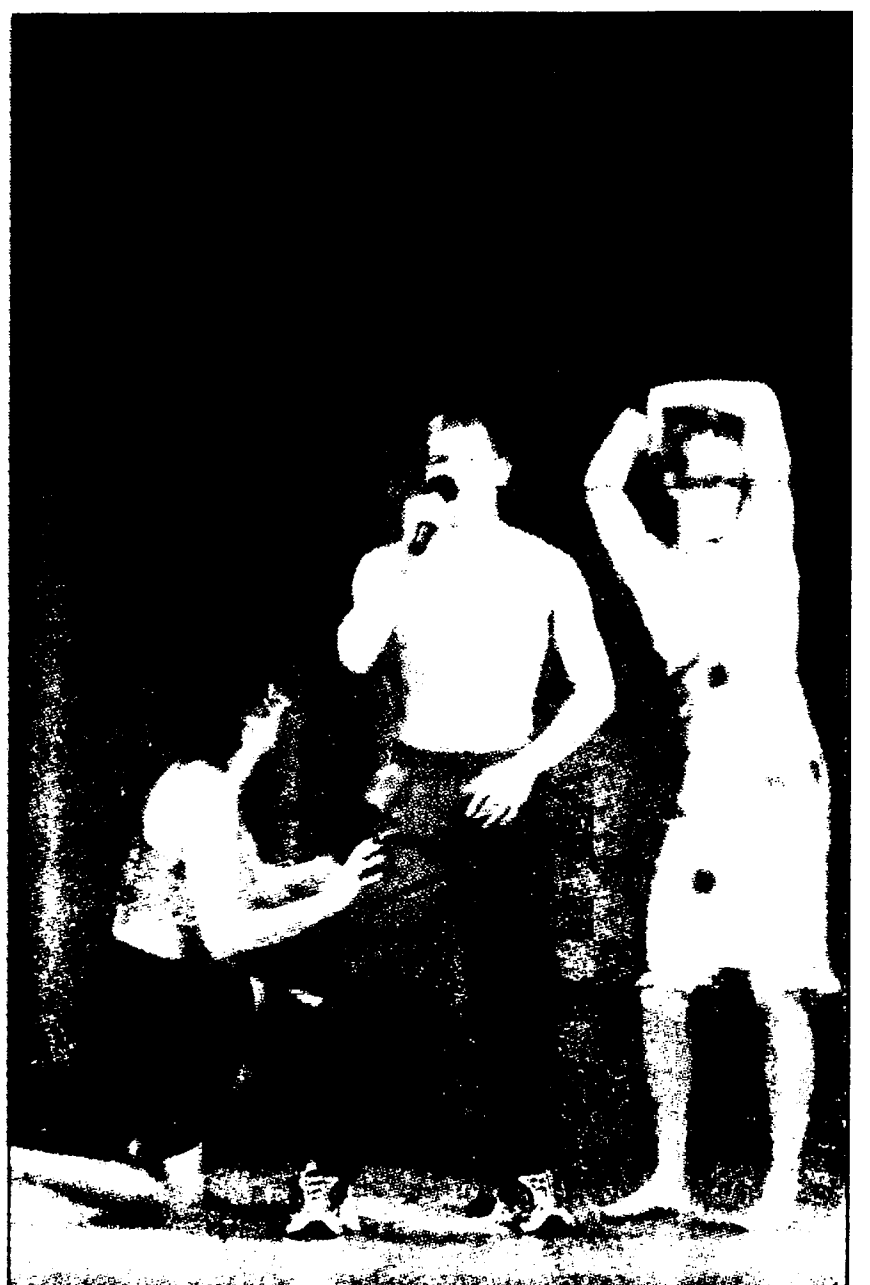
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Above: The apostles try to give the heimlich maneuver to "big, fat Jesus."

Below: Big Leroy learns how to get the ladies (and a few men) with his Barry White-like singing voice.



SMC BASKETBALL

Belles ready for Knights



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Saint Mary's senior guard Jaime Dineen prepares to drive to the basket during a recent game. The Belles host Calvin on Saturday afternoon.

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

Nasty winter weather caused the cancellation of Saint Mary's much anticipated opportunity for revenge against Alma College on Wednesday night. The Belles will now play two home games this weekend. The Calvin Knights come to the Angela Athletic Facility for the Belles' Parents' Day on Saturday, and the Alma game will be made up on Sunday.

"Our coach e-mailed us at 2 a.m. [Wednesday] to tell us the game was cancelled," said freshman Emily Creachbaum.

Because the Belles were so intently looking forward to the re-match against Alma, which beat them 66-52 Jan. 5, they were not thrilled to have the game cancelled.

"I was disappointed because I was ready to play. We really want to play Alma," said freshman Katie Miller. "Now we just

have to have the mentality to beat both teams instead of just one."

"But we're out to beat Alma even more [than Calvin]," she added. "I think we have to shift our focus. We really want to play Alma bad, but we have to focus on Calvin. 'Hopefully we'll be on a motivation streak [after the Calvin game], whether we win or play pretty well, and hopefully that will carry into Alma,' Creachbaum said.

The Belles lost to the Knights 75-52 Jan. 9 and are expecting two tough contests this weekend. By the end of the first half of the game at Calvin, Saint Mary's was down by 14 points. In order to win both Saturday and Sunday, it is imperative for the Belles that their offense starts off strong without allowing their opponents to run up the score early on.

"We need to get our offense going," said Creachbaum, who knows that their offense has

been relatively weak. "Our defense is more natural than our offense," she said.

The Belles must also be more aggressive when they go after rebounds. They were out-rebounded 48-33 against Calvin and 47-31 against Alma.

Coach Suzanne Smith gave the Belles Wednesday night off, so they believe they will be rested for the busy basketball weekend ahead. Additionally, their confidence will be given a boost by the presence of many of their parents at the game on Saturday.

The Calvin game will be Saint Mary's first home game in two weeks, and they are hoping to have a large fan base to support them as they return to play in the Angela Athletic Facility.

"We need our fans there and we them need to be rowdy," Miller said.

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SUPER BOWL XXXVI

Young on Brady: I think he's hurting

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS

Tom Brady's ankle might not be as healthy as the New England Patriots claim.

Two-time Super Bowl MVP Steve Young, who saw tape of the Patriots working out, said Thursday that Brady was "definitely hurting" while practicing.

"I just saw him drop back," Young said. "I think he's hurting."

Super Bowl practices are closed to the media except for a pool reporter and photographer. Pool reports Wednesday and Thursday said Brady appeared to have no problems with the ankle he sprained in the AFC championship game. In his capacity as an ESPN analyst, Young saw pool video provided by NFL Films.

"I don't think the ankle will be an issue," Patriots coach Bill Belichick said, according to Thursday's pool report, which said Brady rolled out "without any sign of a limp" and stayed after practice for five minutes with No. 3 quarterback Damon Huard.

Belichick was not available to respond to Young's comments, and Patriots spokesman Stacey James declined to do so. Brady said before practice that he expected to wear a brace to stabilize his left ankle.

"From where it was Sunday, it feels a ton better than it did," he said. "It's sore, it's a little tender, but I think there's a lot of body parts of mine that are sore."

Appearing at a youth center the NFL is helping to renovate, Young endorsed Belichick's decision to start Brady over Drew Bledsoe. The Patriots have won eight consecutive games with Brady as the starter and have gone 13-3 since he took over for Bledsoe, who this summer signed the richest contract in NFL history.

Fellow Super Bowl MVPs Joe Namath ('69) and Joe Montana ('82, '85, '90) also agreed with Belichick's choice of Brady.

"I liked him from the first day I saw him," Namath said. "He's tough and his teammates love him and he's got a great future. I think it's a great luxury to have Bledsoe, too. I know the team

has confidence in both of those guys."

Young, who developed a frosty relationship with Montana while waiting to succeed the future Hall of Famer with the San Francisco 49ers, said he also thought the Patriots should keep both quarterbacks.

"I worked through it for five years. It's a tough situation, but you've got to work through it," Young said. "Those are their two biggest assets. There aren't 32 NFL-quality quarterbacks in the league. If you have the luxury of having two, make sure you can keep both of them."

"They've already needed both of them."

Bledsoe was the starter for eight years, breaking virtually every one of the team's passing records. But after he was injured in Week 2, Brady replaced him, held the starting job when Bledsoe recovered and led New England to the AFC East title.

Brady starred in a 16-13 overtime victory over the Oakland Raiders in the Patriots' first playoff game, but he was hurt in the second quarter of the conference championship. This time it was Bledsoe coming off the bench to rescue the team.

That forced Belichick to pick one to start in the Super Bowl against the St. Louis Rams, and he chose Brady.

"I don't think there really was any (controversy)," Montana said at a separate news conference earlier Thursday. "If he was healthy, he would start."

Namath, the architect of one of the greatest Super Bowl upsets when the Jets beat the Colts 16-7, said he wouldn't count out the Patriots, who are 14-point underdogs. That's one of the biggest spreads since the Jets entered the 1969 game getting 18 points.

"They can do it and I hope they do," Namath said. "It's not just because they're underdogs. But I enjoy seeing underdogs win. Maybe people around the country see that and think they can win, too."

Of course, Rams quarterback Kurt Warner doesn't share that view — even though he considers Brady a kindred spirit.

"I'm hoping his Cinderella story stops one game short," he said.

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NBA

Jordan hits 'The Shot', Wizards top Cavs

Associated Press

CLEVELAND
Only Michael Jordan, and only in Cleveland.

Jordan did it to the Cavaliers and their fans again, hitting an 18-foot jumper at the buzzer Thursday night to give the

Washington Wizards a 93-92 win.

Jordan victimized Cleveland throughout his career with the Chicago Bulls, and although he's now wearing a Washington jersey, No. 23 still has the Cavs' number.

"Everybody in the place

knew where the ball was going," Jordan said. "I've had some big shots in Cleveland, and they keep going in."

With 1.6 seconds left and Washington down 92-91, Jordan got free on a defensive switch and calmly drained his jumper for the Wizards, who

trailed by 12 points in the fourth quarter.

Jordan's game-winner was almost identical to the shot he hit in Game 5 over Craig Ehlo at Richfield Coliseum in 1989 to beat the Cavs and eliminate Cleveland from the playoffs.

"There was no doubt. I wasn't worried," Jordan said. "There's only two things can happen, you make it or you miss it. I wanted a good look and I got one."

Jordan finished with 26 points and Chris Whitney had 20 for the Wizards, who trailed 85-73 with 7:43 remaining.

Wesley Person had 21 points and Andre Miller had 15 points and 12 assists for the Cavs, who took a 92-91 lead with 1.6 seconds left on Chris Mihm's putback.

All 20,562 fans inside Gund Arena knew exactly what the Wizards would try on their final possession.

Popeye Jones patiently waited for someone to get open and

it was Jordan, who broke free on a slash toward the foul line and got open on a mix-up by Cavs forwards Jumaine Jones and Bryant Stith.

Jordan got a wide-open look, and after knocking his jumper down, he pumped his fist and was mobbed by his teammates. It just like he was 13 years ago.

Wizards coach Doug Collins, who was Jordan's coach in Chicago when he made "The Shot" in '89, just laughed and ran on the floor to high-five Jordan as the pair re-lived a special memory.

"No way," Collins said when asked if he jumped as high celebrating as he did in '89. "I got a bad hip."

"It wasn't exactly the same play, but it was the same result. I liked the way the horn sounded both times."

Jordan, who scored his career-high of 69 against Cleveland, has had a running feud with the Cavs all season.

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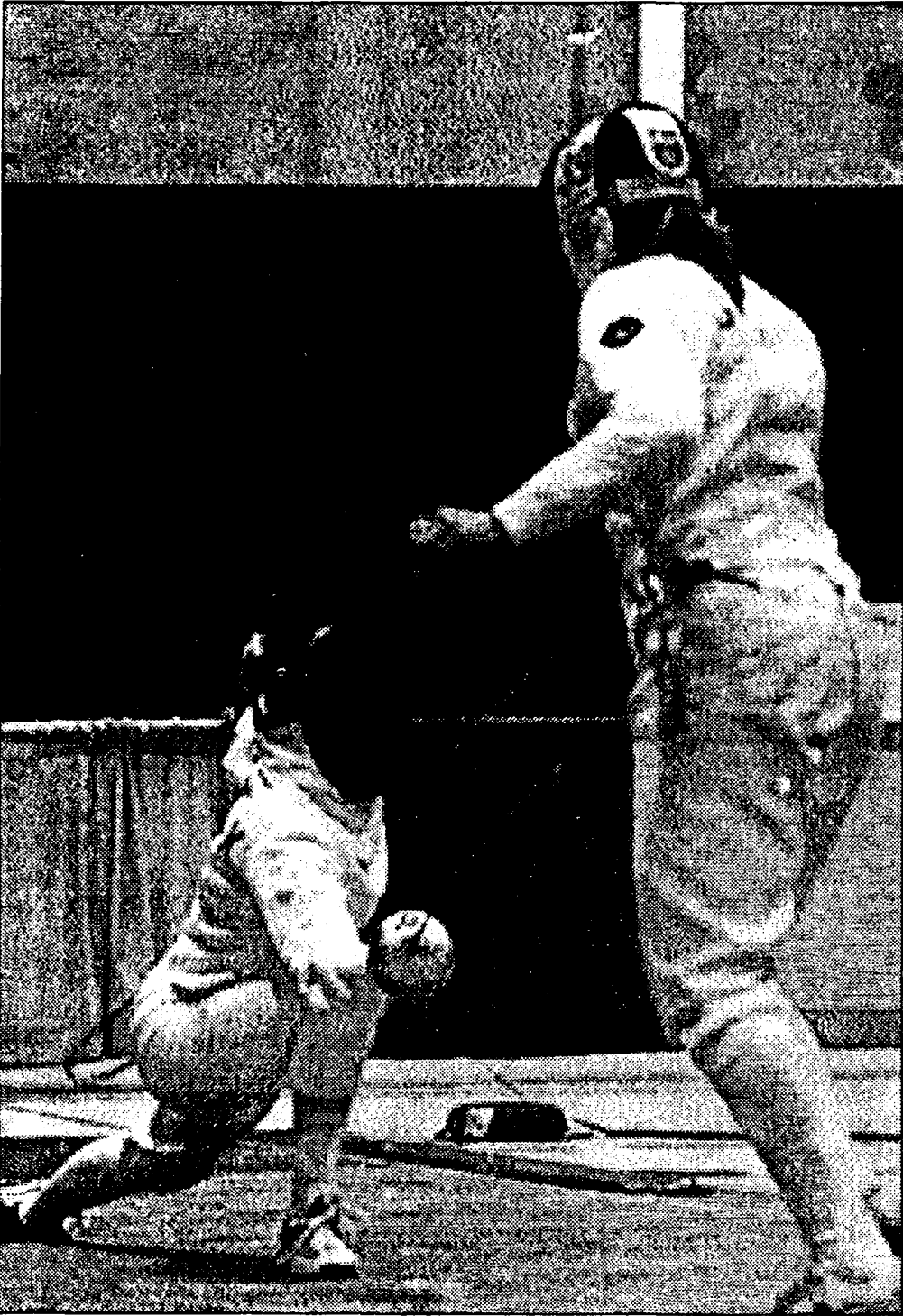
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Undefeated men not overlooking Cardinal



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Junior Anna Carnick thrusts at an opponent in the 2001 NCAA Championships.

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

After a successful meet at New York University last weekend, the Notre Dame fencing team looks to maintain its focus at this weekend's Air Force Dual meet in Colorado Springs.

The No. 2-ranked men's team went unbeaten at NYU, bringing home wins against host NYU, No. 5 Columbia, No. 7 Yale and No. 1 St. John's.

According to senior sabre captain Andre Compton, the team has not peaked too early.

"We didn't fence to our potential last weekend," he said. "We do need to keep the same intensity this weekend."

Leading the Irish at NYU was freshman Michal Sobieraj. His 12-0 record was capped off by a thrilling 3-2 overtime victory over Arpad Horvath of St. John's to give the Irish the 14-13 victory over the Red Storm.

At Air Force, the competition should not be as difficult for the Irish. Their main challenge should come from No. 4 Stanford, and possibly host Air Force, which is ranked No. 10. However, Compton does not see this meet as one to overlook.

"This weekend is another challenge for us," Compton said. "Stanford has a really good team and we can't take them lightly."

Once again, Compton knows the short-term goal for the squad is to win this weekend. However, the long-term goal has not left his

mind one bit.

"We are always looking to improve," said the senior captain who went 9-2 at NYU. "We need to stay more focused [in the upcoming meets]. We want to win this weekend and at NCAA's."

Meanwhile, the women's fencing team did not get off to as good of start as the men. After victories over No. 8 Yale, No. 9 Columbia and NYU, the Irish dropped a tough match to No. 1 St. John's by the score of 15-12.

"Since the loss was by such a small amount, I still have full confidence in this team," said sophomore epeeist Kerry Walton. "I don't think we will have any problem against them in the NCAA's"

Two freshmen made impres-

sive debuts for the women's team at NYU. Alicja Kryczalo and Andrea Ament each had 10 wins for the foil squad.

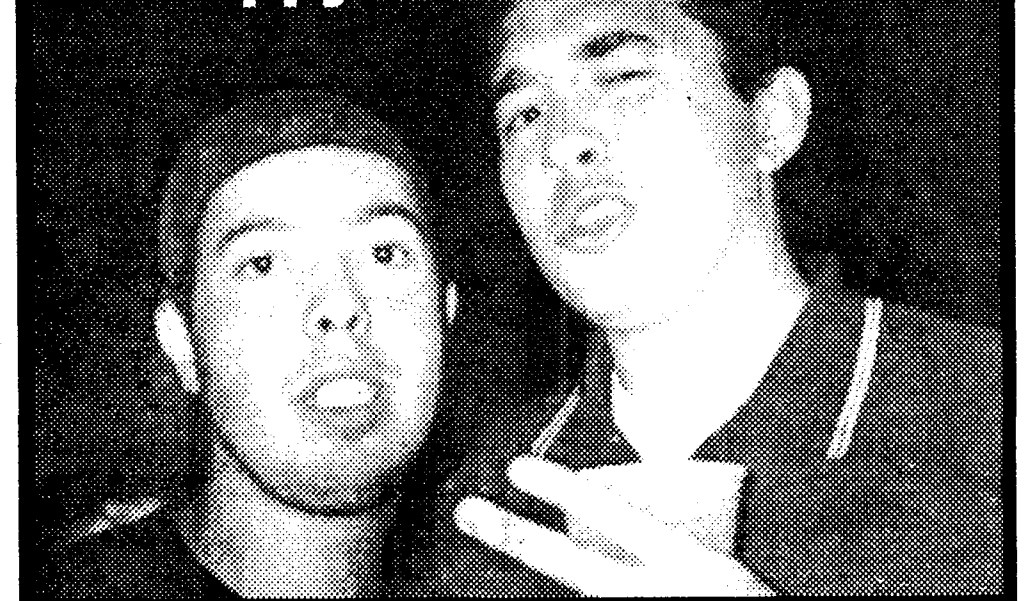
"Alicja just blows everybody away and Andrea is a wonderful asset to the team," said Walton. "Even though they are just freshman, they stay focused and get the job done."

No. 4 Stanford and No. 6 Northwestern will be the biggest challenges for the women's squad that looks to stay focused on this weekend's event and not look toward the future.

"We will stay with our normal routine, go through the team warm-up, and [try not to] space out," Walton said.

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Swimming

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Northwestern couldn't sneak in many top finishes at all, managing to catch first-place finishes in the 200-yard freestyle, and the 100-yard and 200-yard breaststroke.

Even when the Wildcats did manage a win, Notre Dame answered. Freshman Sarah Alwen, junior Hedi Hendrick and senior Maureen Hillenmeyer placed second, third and fourth in the 200-freestyle behind Northwestern, and sophomore Laurie Musgrave and senior Alison Lloyd teamed for second and third place finishes in the 100-yard breaststroke.

Other top performances included Labosky's wins in the 500-yard freestyle and 200-yard individual medley; a 1-2-3 sweep of the 100-yard backstroke by Hecking, freshman

Kristen Peterson and sophomore Danielle Hulick; a 200-yard butterfly win by Lisa D'Olier and a sweep of the 50-yard freestyle with senior Carrie Nixon in first, freshman Hannah Pawlewicz in second, and Hulick in third.

Irish swimmers also took the top three places in the 200-yard backstroke, with Peterson in first, Hecking in second and Hulick in third. Nixon won the 100-yard freestyle, and senior diver Heather Mattingly won both the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events.

"They showed the mental focus to do what they needed to," Weathers said. "They got the job done right away."

The team heads to Ann Arbor, Mich. Saturday to compete in their final dual meet against the University of Michigan. The Wolverines, who are ranked No. 17 in the country, will compete against Northwestern tonight — and

the Irish will be looking for the results.

Michigan heads into the dual with a battle-injured squad, with four key swimmers sidelined. With only 19 swimmers competing, the Wolverines' biggest disadvantage will be the loss of sophomore Samantha Arsenault, a 2000 gold medal winner at the Sydney Olympics in the 800-meter freestyle relay. Arsenault was benched with a shoulder injury in November.

Still, while the Northwestern win gives the Irish confidence, the team needs to be careful heading into Saturday, Weathers said.

"They don't back down," Weathers said. "They expected us to swim well against Northwestern, and come back and swim well against them. The struggle will be for us not to overlook the situation."

The meet begins Saturday at 3 p.m.

Notes:

♦ Nixon finished the 50-yard freestyle in a pool record of 22.94. Her 100-yard freestyle finish of 50.17 was also a season-best time.

♦ The senior class was also recognized at the meet. The class, which includes Hillenmeyer, Nixon, Hecking, Lloyd, Brooke Davey and Tara Riggs, has been a part of three Big East Championship teams and has notched a dual meet record of 42-5 during their time at Notre Dame.

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Irish sophomore Jilen Siroky competes in Notre Dame's victory against Northwestern Friday afternoon. The Irish next compete at Michigan Saturday afternoon.




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Women

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Syracuse on Tuesday, but now they have to have the understanding that they cannot take any team for granted.

"[Syracuse] is good enough to beat us if we don't shoot well and that's what we have to guard against," McGraw said. "You know, just being overconfident."

For the freshmen players, this is the first time they will take on a team that they defeated handily earlier this season and there's a lesson to be learned there. While this Irish team has grown, they expect some change from the Pirates they will face off against as well.

"We have to know that we both have improved a little bit and so we can't expect the exact same team from them and from us," said freshman center Teresa Borton. "You have to look at the game a little bit differently and remember the strengths we had and work that into the game plan."

In addition to working its strengths into her team's game plan, McGraw is hoping for some leadership from her junior and senior players. She will be looking to them to keep the young team focused on playing their game, regardless of what the Pirates throw at them.

"It's up to the captains, Ericka [Haney] and Mandy [Barksdale] and Jeneka [Joyce] and Alicia [Ratay], they really have to make sure they've got everybody focused," McGraw

said.

Fortunately, the team seemed to be getting focused already in Thursday afternoon's practice. And that made her think her team is already showing more signs of maturity than it did when it opened play in November.

"I thought we had a good practice," McGraw said. "I think we're loose but we're still working hard. That's a maturity thing — that you can come out, work hard but be loose and have a good time."

The Irish (12-7, 6-2 Big East) are looking for that maturity to manifest itself in good bench play. All season, Notre Dame has been able to rely on good bench play to back up its starting line-up.

"I think [growth] is seen just from the bench," Borton said. "Especially less mistakes, turnovers and overall more team ball."

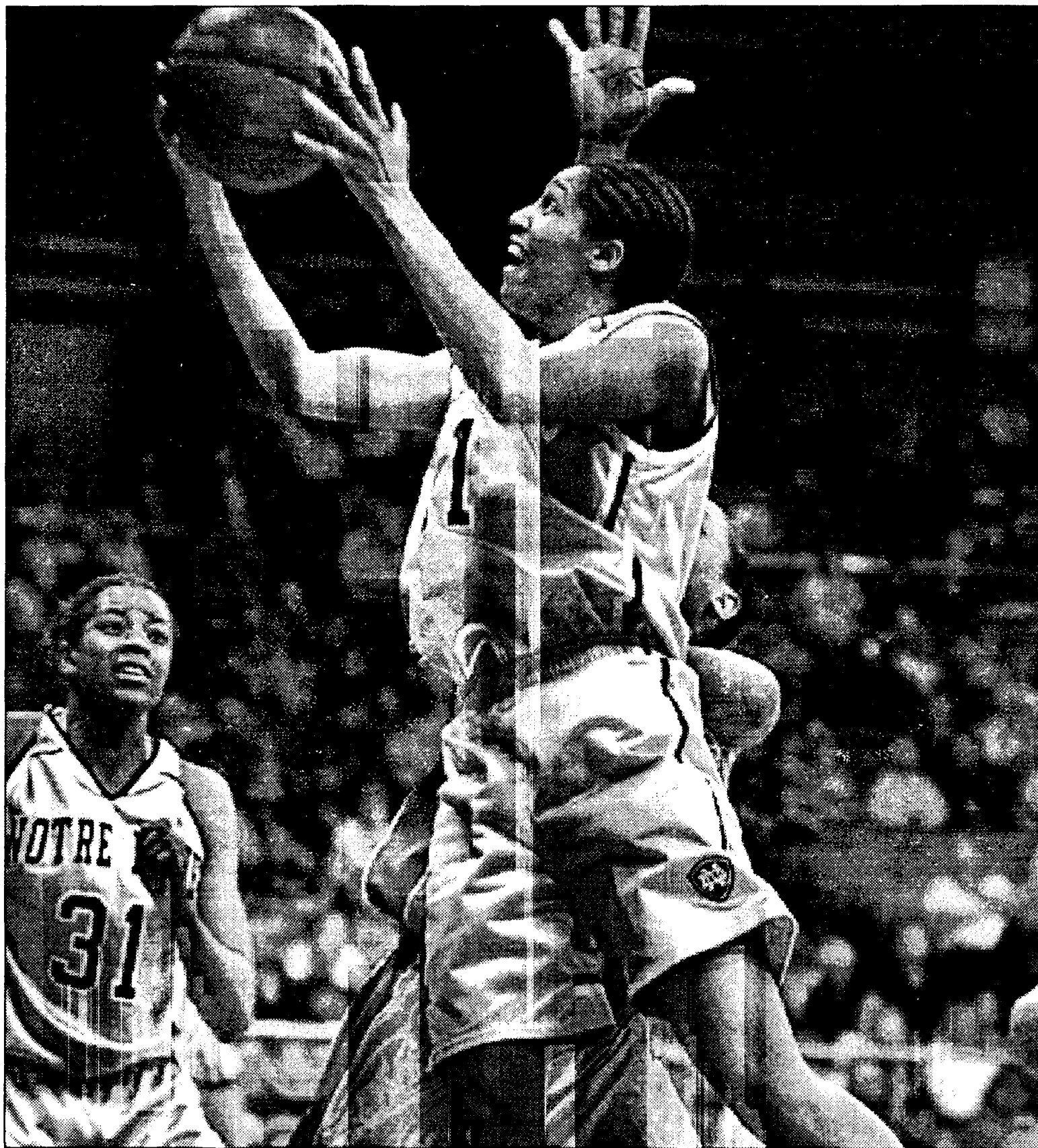
Saturday's game marks the ninth Big East match-up the Irish will have this season. As Notre Dame looks for a bye in the first round of the Big East tournament this game will be an important one.

"Every game is critical right now for us," McGraw said. "For us to get that bye in the first round we have to win seven out of the next eight."

Tip-off is at 2 p.m. on Saturday at Walsh Gymnasium in South Orange, NJ

Notes:

♦ Junior guard Jeneka Joyce is still questionable for play on Saturday due to a strained left Achilles'. She did not play in the last two Irish games.



Irish freshman forward Jacqueline Batteast drives to the basket during Notre Dame's win over Syracuse Tuesday evening. Notre Dame travels to Seton Hall for a Saturday afternoon tip-off.

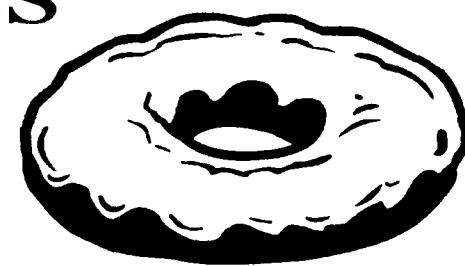
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against Pittsburgh, Notre Dame improved to 4-3 in the Big East and currently sits in third place, trailing division-leading Syracuse by a game and a half. Pittsburgh is in second place, a full game ahead of the Irish.

But Georgetown, Rutgers and Seton Hall all have 4-4 conference records and are tied for fourth. With Notre Dame's next four games against those three teams, the Irish can either pull closer to Syracuse or fall to the bottom

of the division.

"It looks like anybody in the West Division can get on a run," Brey said. "Let's take Seton Hall, prepare for them, gain some momentum and put enough in the bank so where you can go into the Big East tournament and make it tough on the selection committee."

The Irish look to sweep the season series against Seton Hall Sunday. In last Saturday's 60-51 win, the Irish held the Pirates to just 29 percent shooting overall and limited Andre Barrett, the Pirates' leading scorer, to just five points.

If Notre Dame shoots anything like the way they shot in

the first half against Pittsburgh, however, the Irish will be tough to beat. The Notre Dame first-half domination was so complete that Pittsburgh, a team that only allowed a Big East-low average of 57 points per game before Wednesday, had given up 49 points by halftime.

"That had to be our best half of the year," he said. "We were due."

Pittsburgh led 4-3 early in the first half before the Irish offense exploded with a 17-0 run that spanned six minutes. Notre Dame added a 14-3 spurt towards the end of the first half, putting the Irish up 41-16. By the time Chris

Thomas hit a buzzer-beater to end the first half, the Irish led by 28.

"It's just one of those games," Matt Carroll said. "Things were clicking. We haven't had too many games where all five guys were shooting the ball pretty well and moving the ball on offense."

All eight Irish players who entered the game scored, and four Notre Dame players finished in double digits scoring. Thomas and David Graves led the Irish with 19 points. Ryan Humphrey chipped in 17 and Carroll had 15.

"Anytime a team shoots 67 percent, it's going to be tough to beat them," Pittsburgh

guard Brandin Knight said. "We dug ourselves a hole early and didn't make it up."

While the Irish easily dominated the first half, Pittsburgh managed to score 55 points in the second half, although they would never draw closer than 13 points. Knight scored 20 points — with 17 coming in the second half — to lead the Panther charge.

"I don't have a halftime speech when you're up 28," Brey said. "I almost expected the second half to be like that, but I'm happy with the win."

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Dixon leads Maryland comeback

Associated Press

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.

Juan Dixon said the impetus for No. 3 Maryland's stunning 91-87 comeback victory against Virginia came at the least likely time — when the Cavaliers (No. 5 ESPN/USA Today, No. 8 AP) thought they had the game won.

Maryland center Chris Wilcox tosses up two of his eight points to go with eight rebounds.

Just over six minutes remained, and with Virginia having taken a 74-70 lead, Maryland coach Gary Williams called a timeout, the crowd was in a frenzy as the Cavaliers triumphantly headed for the bench.

But Keith Jenifer and Travis Watson of Virginia stopped on their way to say something to Williams, leaving him incensed and his team determined.

"They thought they had the win," Dixon said of Jenifer and Watson, "so I guess they wanted

to show off a little bit. We wanted to protect our coach and we allowed that to motivate us and took it from there."

The Terrapins fell even further behind, trailing 83-74 with 3:22 left, but scored 13 of the last 15 points, finally taking the lead on Dixon's running one-hander with 31 seconds left, and holding on from there.

The game marked only the second time in 156 meetings that both teams came into the game ranked in the top 10, and both played like it.

Virginia took its big lead by scoring seven straight points, but Drew Nicholas hit his only two field goals of the game, both 3-pointers, and the Terrapins went 4-for-5 from the line at the end to clinch it.

Maryland finished 25-for-26 from the line, the only miss coming in the final seconds, while Virginia had seven costly misses in 19 tries from the line in the sec-

ond half, repeatedly failing to build its lead.

"It was a game we had an opportunity to win," coach Pete Gillen said after Virginia's second straight loss. "We just didn't close the deal."

Neither team led by more than seven points in the second half until Virginia took its big lead, but Nicholas' two huge shots gave them life and the veteran Dixon took over with the outcome still to be decided.

"We easily could have let that game go, just gave up," said Nicholas, whose second 3 was from about 25 feet and pulled the Terrapins to 87-86 with 1:20 left. "The shot presented itself and I knocked it down."

Byron Mouton led Maryland (17-3, 7-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) with 21 points, Dixon had 16 and Lonny Baxter added 14 points and 10 rebounds. Steve Blake and Tahj Holden each scored 10 points for the Terrapins.

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HOCKEY

Irish hope to heat up on home ice

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Assistant Sports Editor

With just eight games left to go in the regular season, the Notre Dame hockey team needs to get on a roll, beginning tonight when they take on Alaska-Fairbanks in the Joyce Center.

"[We need] to get hot," Irish captain Evan Nielsen said. "These last eight games we need to string a few wins together."

Currently the Irish are tied for the seventh spot in the CCHA with last weekend's foe, Miami of Ohio. Just two points ahead of Notre Dame stands Ohio State in sixth place. That spot is significant because it would offer the Irish a chance to host a round in the upcoming conference playoffs. The Irish need to be leery, however, of falling out of the top 10 in the conference, thus eliminating them from post-season play.

"We need to come out here and get two wins this weekend and roll from there," Nielsen said. "No more split

weekends."

The team is, indeed, coming off one of those split weekends against Miami last week. The Irish showed some poise in the first of the two games, stealing a 4-3 overtime victory from the RedHawks. The Irish defense faltered a little in the second night, though, giving up seven goals in a 7-3 defeat.

"We had a bad game," Nielsen stated. "I don't think it hurt our confidence any, but games like that, they're not enjoyable, and they're definitely tough to be a part of. You just come back and get back to work the next week to get another shot this weekend."

The Irish will work tonight on tightening up that defense that ceded as many goals as it had all year.

"Our first point of emphasis should be defense," said Irish forward Michael Chin, who is coming off of one of the best weekends of his career in notching three goals and an assist against Miami. "We need to focus on defense and be great on defense, and I think our offense will

spawn from there."

That Irish defense will face an Alaska-Fairbanks squad that has been much of a surprise this year to its opponents. At the beginning of the season, the Nanooks were selected to finish last in the CCHA. Instead, they currently boast a 10-10-2 conference record, while standing four points ahead of the Irish in fourth place in the conference.

The Nanooks are led in scoring by a pair of sophomore forwards, Ryan Campbell and Cam Keith, with 24 and 23 points on the season, respectively.

"Our offense will take care of itself," Chin commented. "As long as we can be strong on defense, which it seems we've kind of gotten away from in the past few games, we will have a very successful weekend and a successful rest of the year."

The Irish and the Nanooks face off at 7:05 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

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Irish defenseman Brett Lebda clears the puck in a recent game.

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SMC SWIMMING

Belles take on conference foes

By NATALIE BAILEY
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's swimming and diving team hosts Hope and Albion Colleges at the Rolfs Aquatic Center Saturday at 3:30 p.m.. The meet includes the men from Hope and Albion as well.

As the swim season draws to a close, the Belles are hoping to show their hard work and drop their times. Personal records instead of overall points seem to be the buzz of this meet.

"The team is not really concerned with placement as much as getting good times and finishing the season strong," said junior captain Lauren Smith.

The meet provides an early

test for the Belles against conference opponents as both Albion and Hope are members of the MIAA. The swimmers are looking forward to the MIAA Conference Championships which will Hope College hosts in Holland, Mich. on Feb. 21, 22 and 23.

"The team is not really concerned with placement as much as getting good times and finishing the season strong."

Lauren Smith
Junior captain

"We're concerned about conference and need to build our confidence for it in this meet," Smith said.

Saturday's meet should be a good opportunity to build that confidence.

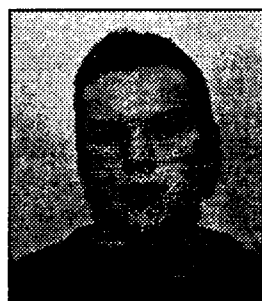
"Both Hope and Albion are conference teams so it is a big meet for us," sophomore Amy Kleinfehn said. "I think we are ready to step up in the conference."

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Irish search for go-to guy

For the Notre Dame men's basketball team, everything clicked Wednesday night in its 89-76 victory against the 21st-ranked Pittsburgh Panthers.

Matt Carroll nailed several outside jumpers; Ryan Humphrey dominated in the paint, Harold Swanagan grabbed some key rebounds; and Chris Thomas



Colin Boylan

Boylan's Banter

and David Graves both broke out of recent slumps to lead the Irish in scoring at 19 points each. Even fan-favorite Tom Timmermans got in on the action, showcasing some smooth moves and delivering bone-crushing fouls.

In other words, everything went exactly like it was supposed to.

If only it were always that simple.

As recent games against Syracuse, Kentucky and Seton Hall have shown, when the Irish don't play as a cohesive unit, the results can be pretty ugly.

There's no doubt that this year's team has enough talent to compete with anyone in the nation. In fact, all three of the

mentioned games were perfectly winnable. It's just that when the Irish starters don't bring their A-games to the court, there's no big, goofy guy with a No. 3 on his jersey to bail them out.

It's true that when Troy Murphy left Notre Dame for the NBA last season, it was supposed to signal the end of the team's brief run as an elite basketball school.

It's equally true that by jumping out to an 11-1 start to open the season, the Irish quickly dispelled that notion and proved beyond a doubt that they still have quality talent throughout their roster.

That's all well and good, but only one problem remains. The team doesn't have anyone that can truly be called a "go-to-guy." Last year, when the game was on the line, you could count on Murphy to do one of two things. He would either take the ball in his 6-10 paws and try to will himself another score, or he would draw enough attention from opposing teams to allow one of his teammates to get a good shot. It didn't hurt that the guy was a monster on the low post and a syrupy-sweet shooter to boot.

Perhaps this could be considered the understatement of the year, but there's no one on this year's squad who really fits that bill.

Imagine a scenario where Notre Dame is trailing by 2 with 1:00 left against

Villanova in the Big East Final. Who do you want shooting that ball?

Graves or Carroll, off a screen perhaps?

It might work, but that's hardly a go-to play. Playmaker Chris Thomas might qualify in a year or so, but his recent turnover problems have been known to cause fans ulcers in regular season play, let alone pressure-packed tournaments.

And outside of 10 feet, Humphrey becomes pretty much hit or miss.

Of course, when everything goes right, the team jumps out to a 20-4 lead over Pittsburgh and never looks back.

Make no mistake about it: The Irish do have that kind of talent.

But without anyone to take the game onto his shoulders and key a magnificent scoring run, it becomes extremely difficult to overcome second half deficits against quality opponents. Against Kentucky, the team always seemed to be waiting for that clutch 3-pointer that just never came.

The potential for the Irish to gain a second consecutive NCAA berth is in the palm of their hands. They just need to display the firepower they did against Pittsburgh to make it happen.

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Road doesn't get easier after victory

By COLIN BOYLAN
Sports Writer

As far as polls are concerned, the 69th-ranked Michigan Wolverines should have been no match for the 13th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team. But don't try to tell the Irish that.

"Michigan's very good," said head coach Jay Louderback. "By the end of the year, they'll probably be ranked about 20 or 30 spots higher than they are now."

That being said, the team's 5-2 victory over the Wolverines last Wednesday looks even more impressive than it might originally appear.

Aided by solid doubles play and clutch singles victories by Becky Varnum and Katie Cunha, the Irish were able to grind out a win against a quality opponent.

Things looked very good from the start, when the Irish nabbed the doubles point with three consecutive wins. Alicia Salas then gave the team some breathing room with a quick 6-3, 6-2 win at No. 5 singles.

But when Michigan closed the gap with two singles wins, things started to get tense.

Fortunately, Varnum was able to top Kavitha Tipirneni at No. 1 singles and Cunha clinched the victory with a close two-set win.

"We were very happy to walk away with a win," said Louderback.

Things don't get any easier

from this point on, however. Indeed, this weekend the Irish will play host to Kentucky and Indiana on Saturday and Sunday respectively, at the Eck tennis center. Both matches will serve as a benchmark for the Irish progress so far this season.

"Kentucky is a very good team who almost beat [third ranked] Duke last weekend and its always a battle when we play Indiana," said Louderback.

The Wildcats enter the match as a top-25 team looking to avenge their loss to the highly ranked Blue Devils. Louderback is approaching the match with a mixture of confidence and caution.

"I think our doubles teams have played outstanding so far this season, but Kentucky has three very good doubles teams. That is definitely their strength," he said.

Indiana may not be as highly ranked, but their experience against the Irish certainly makes them a dangerous opponent. The most recent meeting between the two came at the Eck Classic in November.

"Indiana has a much younger team than Kentucky, but they still have a lot of talent," said Louderback.

The Saturday match against Kentucky begins at noon on while the team plays Indiana at 11 p.m. on Sunday.

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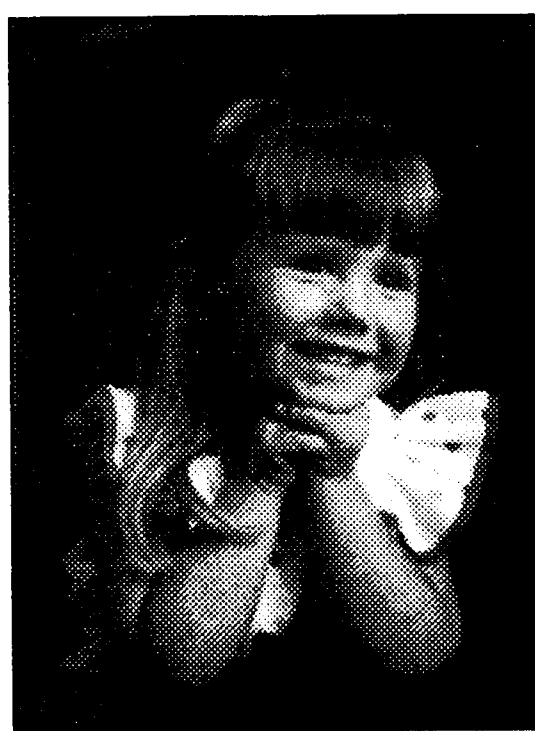
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Irish junior Katie Cunha returns a serve during the Big East Championships in Coral Gables, Fla. last spring. The Irish take on Kentucky and Indiana this weekend.

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TRACK AND FIELD

Records could fall at Meyo Invitational

By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

There are many titles that Luke Watson has earned during his tenure at Notre Dame. He has been named an All-American several times over, 3,000-meter steeplechase champion in the Big East, All-Big East team and more.

But there is one title that takes a little something extra, even more than what Watson has accomplished so far: team leader.

Now in his senior year, Watson has established himself as a true team leader.

This past weekend, he led the Notre Dame men's distance medley team to a third-place finish in the adidas Boston Indoor Games, qualifying them for a spot in the NCAA indoor championships in March.

The Irish were in sixth place going into the final leg of the relay, but Watson's blistering 1600-meter relay time of 3:58.74 moved them up into third place and one second under the NCAA automatic qualifying time.

"When he got the stick he was in maybe sixth, and we ended up third," said head coach Joe Piane. "He did a brilliant job."

The relay team consisted of sophomore Kevin Somok running the 1,200, classmate James Bracken running the 400, freshman Eric Morrison

running the 800, and Watson anchoring with the 1,600.

"They ran okay, I think we can run significantly better," said Piane. "I think Somok can run several seconds better, Bracken ran well and he might be able to run a little bit faster. And certainly Eric Morrison can run faster."

Arkansas won the distance medley, with Connecticut finishing in second place. The Notre Dame distance medley team is presently ranked third in the country.

This weekend marks the beginning of the heart of the indoor track season, the highly competitive Meyo Invitational. Although it is not a team scored meet, upwards of 14 teams and elite independent runners from around the nation will be at Notre Dame to compete.

In last year's invitational, two school records were set, not surprisingly by sprints specialist Liz Grow and distance runner Ryan Shay.

Grow broke her own record in the 400-meter with a time of 53.30, and Shay broke the school record in the 5,000-meter with a time of 13:52.66.

A total of 38 NCAA consideration times were posted in the Meyo Invitational last year, including nine just in the 5,000-meter run. Of those nine, five runners had automatic qualifying times.

The Irish look to qualify many athletes for both the Big East

championships and the NCAA championships in the coming weeks.

Of the women's distance runners, Jennifer Handley, Lauren King and Megan Johnson hope to run qualifying times this weekend.

"They're working very very hard. Jen Handley had a really good outdoor track season, and carried that over into cross-country this year, and just kept it going," said women's distance coach Tim Connelly. "In Megan [Johnson's] race last week [1,600-meter run] she was in control the whole way, so hopefully we can get her into some competition that will help her to run fast."

"We're trying to get our kids ready for the Big East championships," said Connelly. "I think both Jen [Handley] and Lauren [King] are ready to run NCAA qualifying times, as well as Megan Johnson in the mile."

The men's and women's field teams have had a strong season so far, and field events coach Scott Winsor hopes the team displays their improvements this weekend in the invitational.

Quill Redwine, who has been having problems with his legs so far this season, is trying to get back in top physical shape.

"It's very difficult for him to go all out in practice. Right now we're just trying to get him back out around his PR [personal record] in the high jump and triple jump," said Winsor. "He's



RICO CASARES/The Observer

Irish senior Natalie Hallett pushes up toward the bar during a recent home meet.

capable of doing a lot more than he's done so far this year, but it's early."

Jamie Volkmer, who has struggled in the last two meets in the pole vault, has had considerable success in the triple jump. She hopes to do well in both events this weekend.

"Jamie is a very good competitor. She's one of the best

competitors on the team. I look to her to have a pretty good meet this week," said Winsor.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Weekend serves up Buckeyes, Wildcats

By RACHEL BIBER
Sports Writer

With two matches ahead of them this weekend, the Irish men's players are shooting for nothing less than two more wins.

Following a huge win over Duke on Tuesday to improve to 4-1, Notre Dame will host 24th-ranked Ohio State on Friday before heading to Northwestern for a battle against the 46th-ranked Wildcats on Sunday.

The 10th-ranked Irish, who fell three spots in the newly released Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings, know the goal of escaping their next two matches unscathed will be tough.

"They are both good teams," Irish player Javier Taborga said. "Ohio State is going to be a big challenge for us. They have an experienced team and last year we had a tough victory at Ohio State. Northwestern is dangerous. Although they are weaker than Ohio State, they have the home court advantage and it is a great chance for them to play against a top ten team. I am sure they will be ready for us."

If history repeats itself, then the Irish have nothing to worry about when they match up against Ohio State, as Notre Dame has swept

the Buckeyes in their last 13 meetings, dating all the way back to 1988. However, Ohio State has raced to a 3-0 start this season, beating each team 7-0 without dropping a set.

Irish head coach Bob Bayliss is wary, and knows Ohio State is underrated.

"We're ready for the kind of challenge they're going to give

us."

Bayliss

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and I think everyone knows that. We'll just prepare and get ready for another one."

Northwestern has also started the season with an unblemished record, standing 3-0 on the season. With a strong early season start combined with a brand new tennis facility, the Wildcats will have an added home-field advantage against the Irish. Big crowds are expected for the weekend encounter, as the Wildcats will dedicate the new facility during the match against the Irish with big tennis names, such as Northwestern alum and tennis star Todd Martin, making an appearance.

The Irish are not concerned about the added hype surrounding the match against Northwestern, but are cautious, knowing that the Wildcats will come out strong.

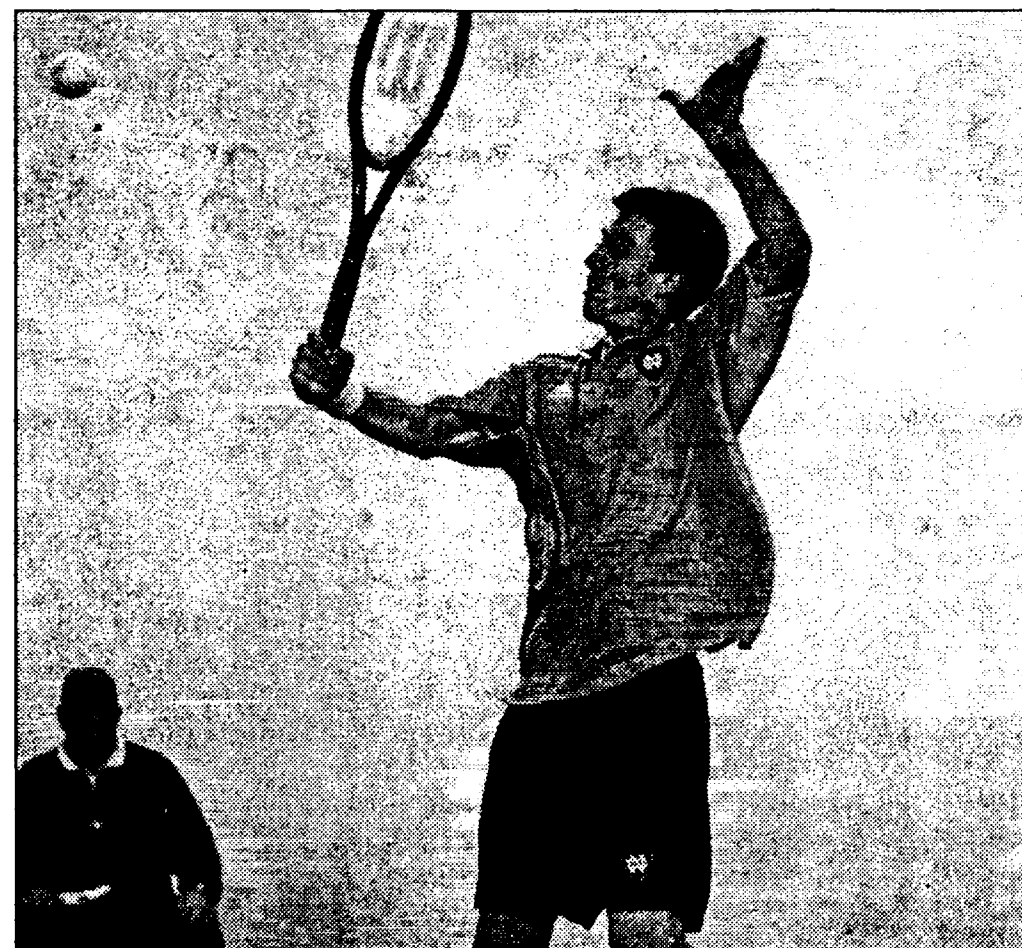
"Northwestern will be a very competitive team," Taborga said. "Last year we played well and it was still a close match. Now, we have to go there and play in a brand new facility and they have nothing to lose."

Notre Dame defeated the Wildcats when they met last year, and the Irish have won six of the last seven meetings against Northwestern. The all-time series between the schools is tied at 34-34.

No matter what team Notre Dame plays, there are areas in which they need to improve in order to become a mainstay in the top 10. One major part of the team's game that needs attention is doubles.

"As far as practice goes, we definitely need to improve our doubles and we will work on them over the week," Taborga said. "We also need to keep getting better at the top of the lineup. To get to a higher level and be a solid top ten team, we need to win 80 percent of the doubles matches and learn to play under pressure. We need to be able to take the challenge and play tough when the matches get tight."

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Irish sophomore Luis Haddock-Morales returns a serve during a recent match. The Irish have two dual matches this weekend.

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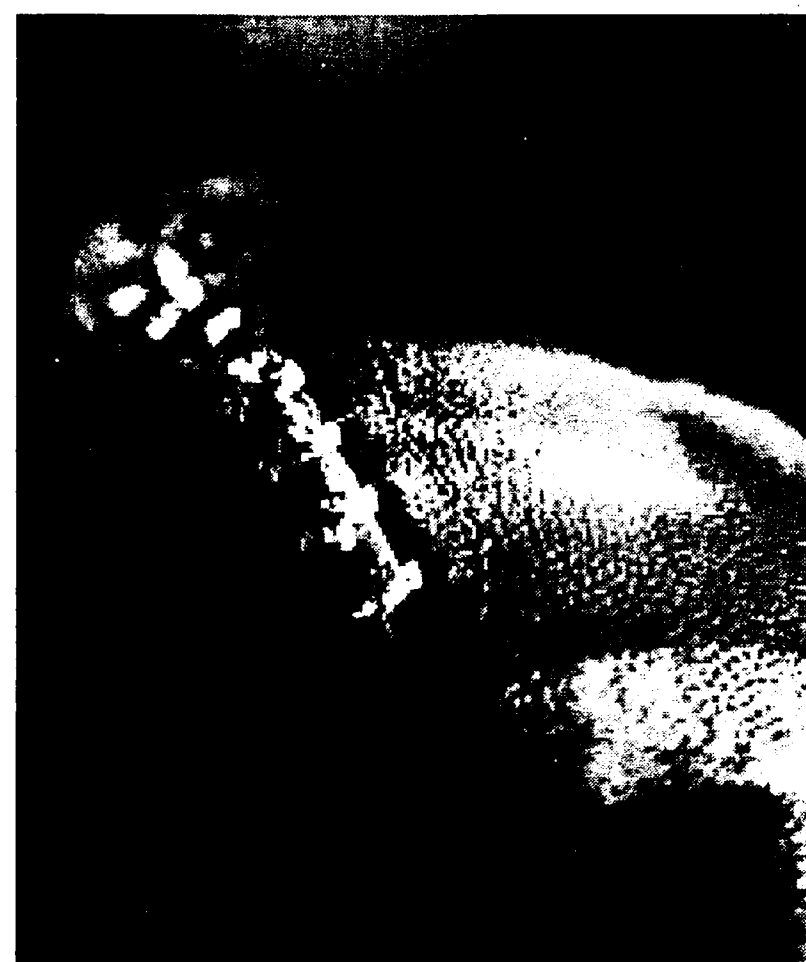
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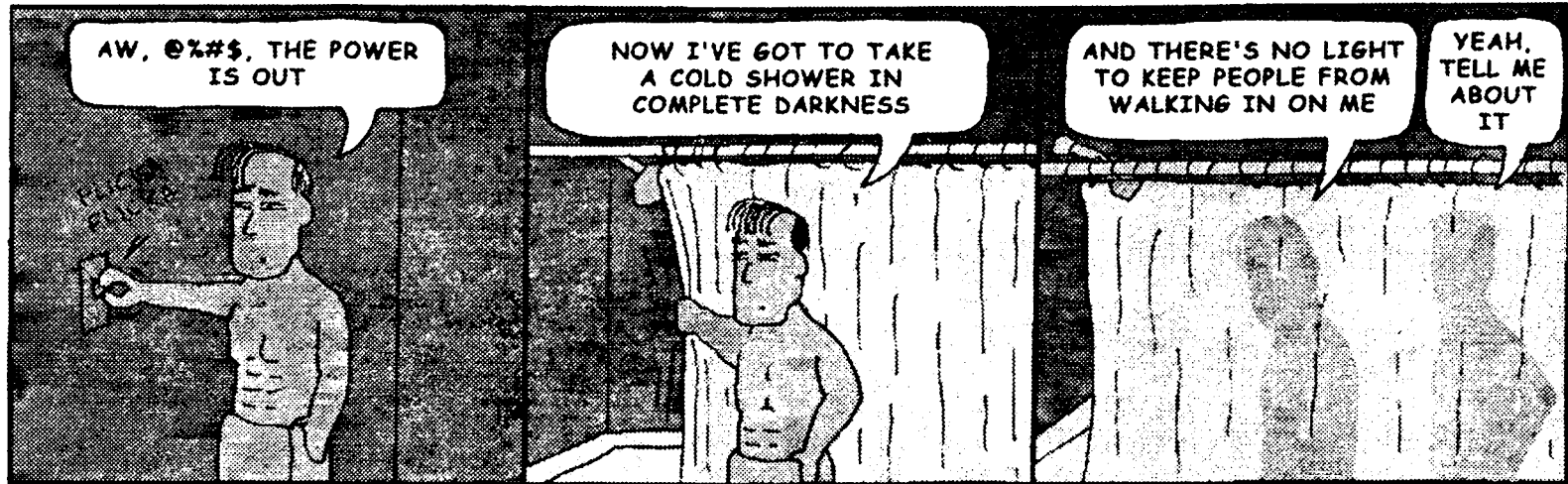
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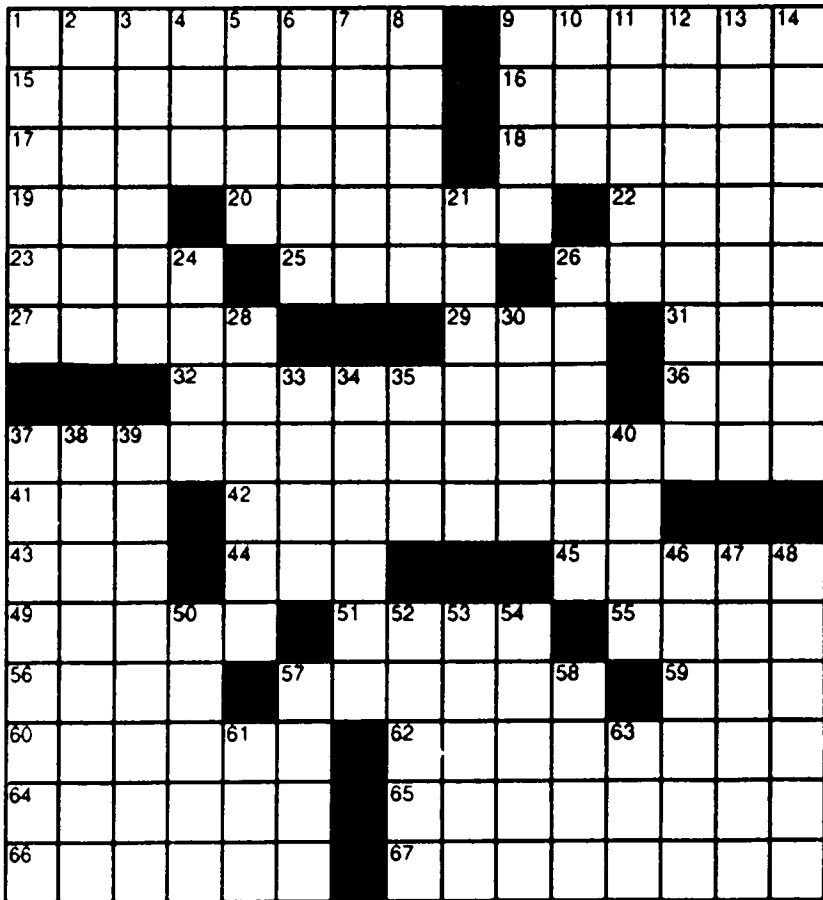


CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
- 1 Includes on one's route
 - 9 Swindle
 - 15 Joker
 - 16 See 21-Down
 - 17 Environmental hazard
 - 18 Hot dog stand offering
 - 19 Show need: Abbr.
 - 20 Quite
 - 22 Not had by
 - 23 Hesitations
 - 25 Ellery contemporary
 - 26 When Dia de Reyes is celebrated
 - 27 Channel
- DOWN
- 29 Intelligence grp. established by Truman
 - 31 A.L. East, e.g.: Abbr.
 - 32 Orthodontic need
 - 36 White House nickname
 - 37 Ascetic
 - 41 Big heart?
 - 42 Some metallophones
 - 43 Kiwi cousin
 - 44 Stir
 - 45 Achilles' killer
 - 49 Turn out
 - 51 Look
 - 55 Track racer
 - 56 It may be subject to modification
 - 57 Adjusted
- DOWN
- 1 Cut strips
 - 2 Small gate
 - 3 Introspective query
 - 4 James Fenimore Cooper's "Myers"
 - 5 John Irving character T. S. _____
 - 6 Start
 - 7 Pipe
 - 8 Film with the song "Papa, Can You Hear Me?"
 - 9 "The Horse's Mouth" novelist Joyce _____
 - 10 Inseparable
 - 11 Brush material
 - 12 Took part
 - 13 Not working
 - 14 Served
 - 21 With 16-Across, a sporting offer

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ECHOES TREATISE
ELEVES HENPARTY
RESALE ADOPTES



Puzzle by Rich Norris

- 24 Drudge
- 26 Cap attachment
- 28 Dolly user
- 30 Cal. page
- 33 Having no loose ends
- 34 Inclined
- 35 Kind of jam
- 37 Source of boredom
- 38 Financial
- 39 Precede
- 40 Writer Dinesen
- 46 Antenna housing
- 47 "Isn't it _____?"
- 48 Bolt stripped?
- 50 Wedding
- 52 Bother a lot
- 53 Noted soap vixen
- 54 Revise a plot
- 57 Follows
- 58 "_____ Dinah" (Frankie Avalon hit)
- 61 Sorrow
- 63 Finish overseas

Answers to any clues in this puzzle are available by touch-tone phone: 1-900-285-5656 (\$1.20 per minute). Annual subscriptions are available for the best of Sunday crosswords from the last 50 years: 1-888-7-ACROSS.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Avoid being frivolous. Guard against undue extravagance. Someone you care about may take advantage of your financial situation. ☹

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be confident and do things your way. Your cautious and practical approach will bring praise from those you work for. You have a good handle on future prospects. ☹

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You'll become bored if you aren't already considering a change. You can pursue new avenues of learning that will lead you down interesting new paths. ☹

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It is best to lay low and focus on setting your house in order. Some family members may be less than pleased with your decisions, however you must do what is necessary in order to satisfy yourself. ☹

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Communicating with friends should bring about some interesting developments. Do a little extra research so that you feel confident about your choices. ☹

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Put your heart and soul into your career. Don't let anyone lead you in the wrong direction. Focus on yourself and your personal needs. ☹

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Look out for your own interests and don't let anyone push you into something that you don't believe in. Put yourself in a setting that will calm you down and soothe your nerves. ☹

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Some things may not be too clear today. Don't act in haste or settle for something that you know is incomplete. If you are upfront and honest with others it will be hard for misunderstandings to occur. ☹

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You can make headway today if you put your mind to it. Once the work is done, treat yourself to something special. You will have intuitive insight today. ☹

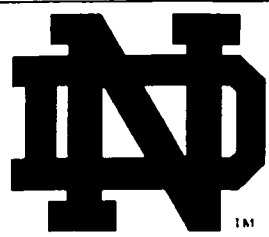
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Take a look at investment opportunities today. You'll be surprised how well you can do financially. ☹

Birthdays: You love to debate social and philosophical issues. You also love to read and have the potential to be a great scholar. You are fond of travel and this will lead you to many parts of the world.

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SPORTS

Friday, February 1, 2002

ND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Drowning the Wildcats

◆ **No. 13 Notre Dame topples No. 16 Northwestern 201-99 to remain undefeated**

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

For Notre Dame's face-off against Northwestern, the plan was simple: break up the Wildcats' first place finishes, and earn enough seconds and thirds to sneak ahead in the point spread.

But Thursday night at Rolfs Aquatics Center, the competition didn't exactly go according to plan. It went better.

"I think we were expecting this to be a little bit closer," said sophomore Lisa D'Olier after Notre Dame's 201-99 win against Northwestern.

The meet was another stepping stone to a potentially undefeated season for the Irish. The meet, which pitted No. 16 Northwestern against the 13th-ranked Irish, was expected to be a tightly contested dual. The Irish defeated Northwestern by only eight points last year — and anticipated a similar match up this year.

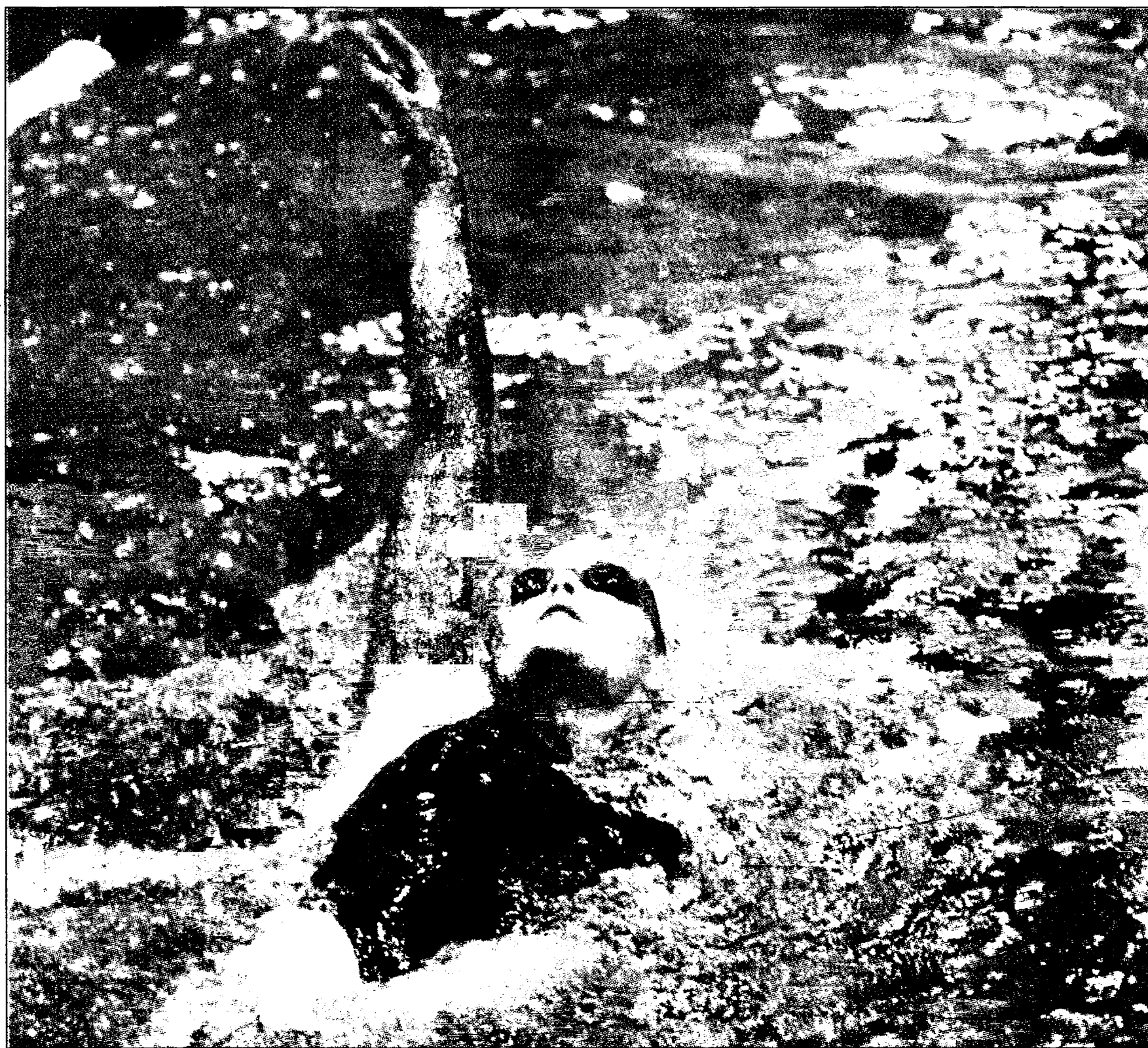
That wasn't the case, as the Irish took control of the meet from the start. Notre Dame left the Wildcats in their wake after securing both first and second place in the 400-yard medley relay.

"The key for us all season has been to get control of the meet," said head coach Bailey Weathers. "That's a best-case scenario — it's about as good as you can start a meet."

It got worse for Northwestern in the next event when freshman Kelly Barton teamed with sophomore Marie Labosky for a 1-2 finish in the 1,650-yard freestyle.

The two events set the tone that the Irish weren't just going to break up Northwestern's top finishes — they weren't even going to let them get there.

"That helped a lot," said senior Kelly Hecking. "Last year we lost the first relay and we struggled to catch up the whole time."



NELLIE WILLIAMS/The Observer

Irish sophomore Danielle Hulick swims the 100-yard backstroke in Thursday's dual meet win against Northwestern. Hulick finished third in the race, helping the Irish to a 201-99 victory.

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish head east to pillage the Hall

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The type of Big East opponent the Irish face on Saturday was a common one last season — an unranked team that Notre Dame topped by a large margin earlier in the season. But for this year's Irish team, this is the first time the situation has presented itself.

So, as Notre Dame takes on Seton Hall, a team it defeated by 34 points in the last meeting, it will be a measuring stick of how mature this young team

has become.

"Maturity wise, I think this is a game we won here at Notre Dame and I'm anxious to see their focus and their intensity," said head coach Muffet McGraw. "This is a really important lesson for us to learn, that you can't take anyone lightly."

Not taking teams lightly is a lesson the Irish have taught some of their opponents this season. Notre Dame took home a solid victory against Virginia Tech on Saturday and crushed

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Shooting for the tourney

◆ **Notre Dame hopeful heading into Seton Hall**

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Associate Sports Editor

A firm believer in the law of averages, Mike Brey figured the Irish were long overdue to break out of their seven-game shooting slump. With the way the Irish had practicing recently, the Notre Dame head coach figured Notre Dame would shoot well against No. 21 Pittsburgh.

But even Brey didn't expect the Irish to make 68 percent

of their shots against the Big East's stingiest defense. In a tightly officiated game, the Irish jumped out to a huge first-half lead and never looked back as they rolled over the Panthers 89-76 Wednesday night.

Now, Brey and the Irish hope to the law of averages continues to swing in their favor as they prepare to play Seton Hall for the second time in nine days.

"We gotta take it back on the road where we really like to play," Brey said after Wednesday's game. "... We don't talk about it, but we do have a little bit of a road presence."

The Irish have won nine of 11 games away from the Joyce Center, with the only losses coming to Alabama and Syracuse. And with nine games left in the season, the 14-6 Irish need to win as many games as possible to stay in the contention for an at-large bid in the NCAA Tournament.

"If we win, things will fall into place," Chris Thomas said. "We were talking about it in the locker room, we have the ability to control our own destiny. There's a lot of games left in the Big East."

With Wednesday's win

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AT A GLANCE

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- ◆ Men's Tennis vs. Ohio State, Friday, 3:30 p.m.
- ◆ Hockey vs. Alaska Fairbanks, Friday, 7 p.m.
- ◆ SMC Basketball vs. Calvin, Saturday, 3 p.m.

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