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University selects Fox

Mexican president will speak at commencement exercises

By LIZ KAHLING
News Writer

University officials confirmed Tuesday that Mexican President Vicente Fox will be the principal speaker at May 19 Commencement services.

Fox, 60, follows President Bush as the second consecutive head of state to deliver the graduation address.

"We are delighted that he will honor us with his presence," University President Father Edward Malloy said in a release. "President Fox is a leader who is at once pragmatic and passionate. While he has worked tirelessly to end corruption and strengthen his nation's economy, he also has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to representing and serving the most vulnerable among his constituents, from the poor to the unborn."

Fox had been in consideration as speaker ever since his historic election in July 2000, when his National Action Party (PAN) defeated the 71-year reign of the Institutional Revolution Party (PRI), according to Notre Dame officials. Fox was the first foreign head of state with whom Bush met upon assuming office, although that was not a factor in selecting Fox to speak, officials said.

Like every year, the University searched for a speaker who "made a significant contribution to church, society and the general welfare of mankind,"

said Dennis Brown, associate director of Public Relations and Information. "President Fox has achieved that with his accomplishments in such little time in office."

Brown compared the annual process of selecting a speaker to "kind of like athletic recruiting." University officers first made overtures to Fox last fall and received confirmation only two weeks ago. Administrators then coordinated with the Mexican general council in Chicago as well as with people in Mexico in drafting an appropriate press release.

Fox will be the sixth foreign chief to speak at a University graduation. He follows Canadian Prime ministers Lester Pearson (1963) and Pierre Trudeau (1982), Salvadoran President and Notre Dame graduate Jose Napoleon Duarte (1985), Chilean President Patricio Aylwin (1992), Irish Taoiseach Albert Reynolds (1994) and Bush.

Many students, faculty and staff had speculated that the speaker would be someone connected with the Sept. 11 attacks and ensuing rescue efforts.

The University has yet to release this year's honorary degree recipients.

The 157th Commencement exercises will be at 2 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

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AFP Photo

Mexican President Vicente Fox, this year's commencement speaker, met with last year's speaker, President George Bush, in October.

SMC holds first-round elections

By KATIE VINCE
News Writer

Class council voting Monday at Saint Mary's yielded a winner in the Class of 2005 race and set up run-off contests in the 2003 and 2004 elections.

In the close 2005 election, the Sarah Brown ticket drew 51 percent of the votes to defeat current class president Maureen Garvan-Oskielunas' ticket. Brown's running mates included Mary Holland, vice president, Jill Roberts, secretary, and Shay Jolly, treasurer.

"We're definitely excited," Holland said. "The first thing we plan on doing is [to] start planning for next year."

About 27 percent of the class voted.

The Rachel Finley and Nickey Prezioso tickets from the Class of 2003 will meet in a run-off election Wednesday after earning 41 and 30 percent of the vote, respectively, in the primary that had a 49 percent turnout for the Class of 2003.

The incumbent ticket for the class of 2003, Alison Joseph, Stephanie Pace, Erin Woloshansky and Kelly Logan, only received 26 percent of the vote and will not advance.

Finley's running mates are Candace McElligott, vice president, Erin Moran, secretary, and Torie Cox, treasurer.

Prezioso's running mates are Kara Harms, vice president, Nina Ready, secretary, and Katie

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Students asked to donate marrow

◆ Requests follow from overwhelming drive two years ago

By MAUREEN SMITHE
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In March 2000, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students received a call for help.

Their ailing classmate, Conor Murphy, was struggling with leukemia and in desperate need of a bone marrow transplant. The disease had recently taken two other Notre Dame students, Brionne Clary and Miranda Thomas, leaving the community desperate for a way to help. Hundreds heeded the call, stretching a line through the LaFortune Student Center.

Many came, but only a few will ever be chosen. Jonathan



JOB TURNER/The Observer

Students waited in line for hours in a bone marrow drive in March 2000 and some are now being contacted because their bone marrow has matched a person needing a transplant.

Jorrissen and Jen Woyach are some of those few.

The odds of a patient actually finding a match are only one in

20,000. Jorrissen, a senior, and Woyach, a 2001 Notre Dame

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CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Group approves, passes forward activity fee increase

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

With little discussion Monday, the Campus Life Council passed a Student Senate resolution to increase by \$15 in 2002-03 the student activity fee assessed to Notre Dame undergraduates.

Passage of the measure means the resolution will now go to the Office of Student Affairs for approval. If approved by Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, the Board of Trustees would still need to sign off on the increase.

The CLC adopted the resolution 13-1. The lopsided vote fol-

lowed slim debate on the matter of raising the student activity fee from \$65 to \$80.

"It's definitely looking toward the future and assessing where we want to go," Judicial Council President Tim Jarotkiewicz said about the plan drafted by the Financial Management Board and approved Wednesday by the Senate. "The Student Union deserves a lot of credit for this."

If approved, it will be the first increase in four years. While tuition has increased steadily, the fee that funds student clubs and organizations hasn't been adjusted for inflation since 1998,

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INSIDE COLUMN

Adventures in the chair

Here's a message from the guy on crutches or in a wheelchair that you've passed on the quads, in DeBartolo or in the dining hall: Thanks!

Three weeks after I fell getting down from my loft and broke all the bones in my ankle, so many people have assisted me. Thanks to the golf cart drivers who have navigated through the snow while attempting to hit a minimum number of people, curbs and buildings. Thanks to my friends from Knott Hall who have pushed my wheelchair on the way to the dining hall through the frozen tundra of Mod Quad that never seems to get plowed. Thanks to the nurses in the infirmary who watched in mild amusement as I filled a triple room with all of my books and walking aide. And thanks to the countless people who have held doors open and given my wheelchair a push when it got stuck in the snow.

I knew I was in trouble when I lay shaking on the floor of my room when everyone within earshot packed in the room to look at my deformed foot that was rotated 90 degrees from normal. Thankfully, no one acted on my shouted demands to "snap it back into place!"

As the ambulance rolled away from Knott, I asked the medic what they would do to my foot and he responded, "Well, they'll probably give you some medicine and snap it back into place. The bitch of that is it will hurt like hell at the time, but you won't remember it when you wake up."

Well, I don't remember that experience, but the many others will stay in my mind forever. I've fallen in the bathroom of the infirmary and had to swing my walker up into the air to snag the "I've fallen and I can't get up" cord. I've seen the horror on the faces of the nurses who were far more upset about the incident than I was.

I've fallen on the ice outside the library and had a passerby pick me up and then summon a friend to bring my wheelchair. Now, the library monitors remind me to "be careful" every time I crutch through the lobby.

I've been stuck at DeBartolo after the golf cart couldn't make it through the snow and had to frantically dial the library to alert my professor to my whereabouts as a class presentation worth 30 percent of my final grade was under way. When I finally arrived at the library in the back of the security Durango, my professor met me outside and pushed me in.

Of course, having a broken ankle does have a few perks. I moved into a single to avoid my loft, I can use my crutches to hit the snooze button on my alarm without getting out of bed and I also get to park on campus.

But this experience has taught me to appreciate all the small things in life we come to take for granted like walking, holding a dining hall tray, going up stairs and taking a shower without a large rubber plastic boot on my foot.

So my message to everyone is appreciate what you have, and continue to help me and the other disabled students on our quest to lead as normal of a life as possible.

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QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"I thought it was classless. I thought it was vulgar. I wish I had known more about it because if I did, I would not have gone. I was not the only person who walked out 10 minutes into it."

Kamille Peter
Saint Mary's sophomore
on "The Vagina Monologues"

"I don't feel we need points or judges, wins or losses. For a lot of the girls, it's a huge battle just to get themselves in the ring."

Keri Jerge
women's boxing captain
on female boxing

"People have commented to me that it's unbelievable to have another woman elected so soon. There are no more barriers in that regard. I am confident she will do a great job."

Brooke Norton
student body president
on president-elect Libby Bishop

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Entrepreneurship still alive at Brown University

PROVIDENCE, R.I. Enterprises such as Turner Broadcasting, Nantucket Nectars, Foresite Solutions and Jessica's Wonders all stemmed from the minds of Brown University graduates. In some instances, the seeds of these enterprises were planted while the founders were still students at Brown.

Yet rules outlined in Brown's student handbook explicitly prohibit students from operating businesses out of their dorm rooms. The policy states: "Brown University enjoys certain tax exemptions as an educational institution which can be jeopardized when individuals in the campus community operate a business enterprise on University premises."

The policy elaborates students who start businesses are forbidden from using University facilities or services



for the purpose of commercial activities, including residence hall rooms, campus telephone numbers, campus e-mail and University postal facilities.

Barrett Hazeltine, professor emeritus of engineering and a member of the Advisory Board for the Brown

Entrepreneurship Program, said he feels the policy is a bit "far-fetched."

"A dorm room is different from using the Internet," Hazeltine said. "You pay for it, so in some sense it's yours."

He questioned how strictly Brown enforces this policy and cited Jessica Nam '00 as an example of how the policy could be circumvented. As a junior at Brown, Nam began her business as an independent study in which she explored baking as a business, preparing her fresh baked goods in the kitchen of her Barbour Hall suite and selling them through local retailers. This small-scale operation ultimately served as a prelude to Jessica's Wonders, the fresh-baked goods company that Nam officially began in her senior year at Brown.

Brown Daily Herald

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY

Interns return to post-Olympic life

PROVO, Utah

Although the end of the Olympics means life can get back to normal, for many it is a bittersweet ending. Many student interns who participated in the game are finding it difficult to return to school after the Olympic experience. For Amy Green, 25, a senior majoring in public relations, the Olympics was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. "The Olympic experience really changed my life," Green said. Green worked for International Sports Broadcasting for six weeks during the Olympics and really enjoyed the experience. "I made a lot of really great friends and saw some incredible things. It's hard to go back to school after being in that environment," Green said. Green finished working for the Olympics on Tuesday and was disappointed to see the Olympics end. "It was really sad to see how quiet and dead Olympic Square was on Monday and Tuesday," Green said. "The whole Olympic atmosphere was so incredible. It was like a big party all the time," Steadman said.

The Daily Universe

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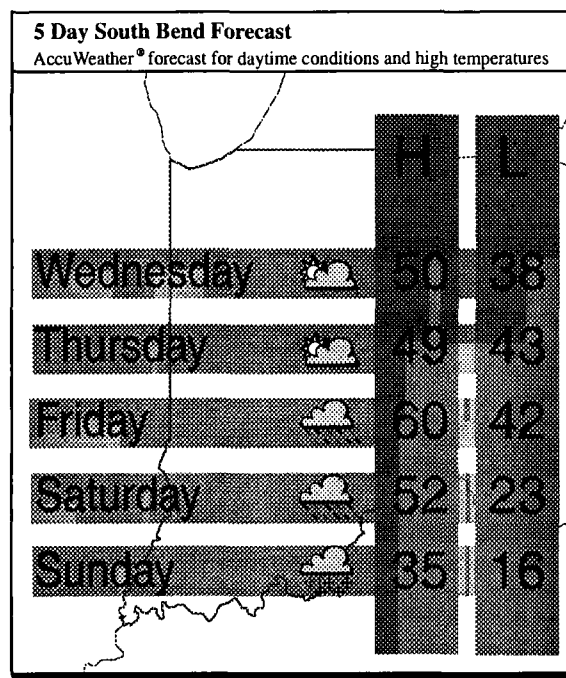
Rhodes scholarship in question

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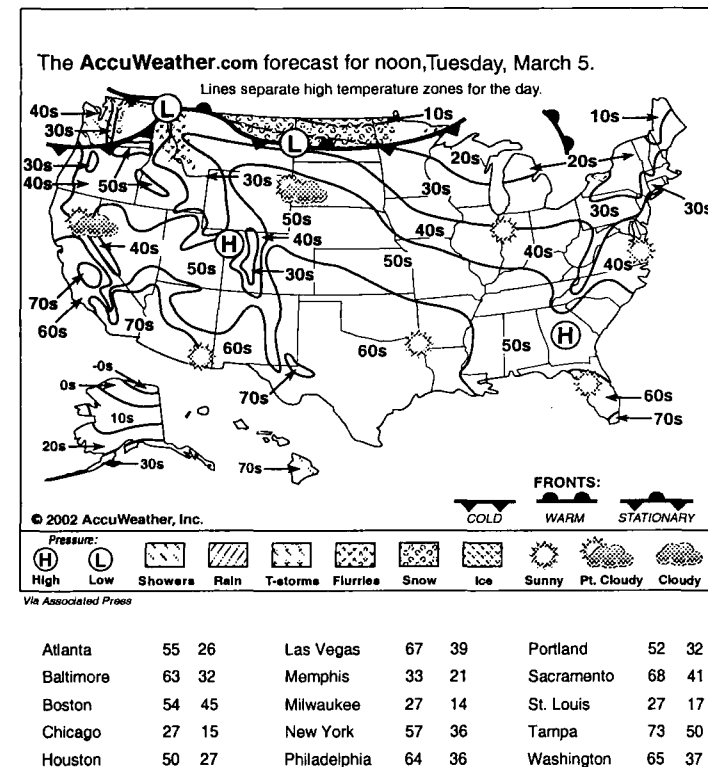
Giving its winners at least two free years of study at Oxford University, the Rhodes Scholarship is arguably the most prestigious scholarship available to U.S. students. A criticism of the scholarship is only students from prestigious colleges and universities have a chance of winning. Since the scholarship started in 1902, University of Utah has had 21 winners, the last one about 10 years ago. For 2002 Harvard University had five winners. Rhodes officials deny the accusation that prejudice against public universities exists. The Chronicle of Higher Education disputed the accusation last year as well. Former Utah student Jared Raynor, who almost won a Rhodes scholarship, said there's no bias. "There's certainly no such bias whatsoever," said Elliot Gerson, American secretary of the Rhodes Scholarship Trust. "The best student at the University of Utah has the same chance as the best student at Harvard or Princeton."

Daily Utah Chronicle

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BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Board approves mailing funding

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
News Writer

Saint Mary's Board of Governance decided Monday to donate \$145 to the Senior Leadership Committee to help defray the cost of mailings to the student body.

The committee typically uses the mailings to educate Saint Mary's students about alumni and senior donations to the College.

"The purpose of our campaign is to educate seniors to give now and after they graduate, but we have been speaking to everybody," senior Kelly Roberts told the Board.

According to Roberts, only a few seniors were acquainted with the committee and its aims in the past. By targeting the entire student body this year, the committee hopes to raise awareness and increase the amount and number of donations that current and past students give to the school.

Along with printed information the committee plans to distribute to each student, Roberts said representatives were at a kick-off activity for the campaign Thursday night. They also plan to attend the upcoming Midnight Madness and Saint Mary's Tostal. A seniors-only meeting is planned for April.

In addition to attending various events and answering students' questions about their purpose, the committee plans to get underclassmen involved

with the body.

"We have a junior who attends every one of our meetings," Roberts said. "We are also trying to set up a system where we have a freshman and sophomore on our board, so that we don't have to start over every year."

Funds donated by the senior class will be used to purchase a gift for the College. According to Roberts, the committee purchased several chairs in O'Laughlin Auditorium last year. This year, they are aiming a little higher.

"We as a committee decided [to endow] something in the student center, maybe a chair or a room," Roberts said. "We're aiming high — we want to go for a room."

Student body president Michelle Nagle and the rest of the Board supported the committee's efforts to spread their message to the community.

"We wanted to support the education of the whole student body," Nagle said. "Anything that gives back to Saint Mary's student body is very valuable."

The Board also agreed to sponsor the attendance of two Saint Mary's art majors, Connie Williams and Lisa Ritter, at a conference on Education in the Ceramic Arts. The Board gave Williams and Ritter \$890 to help with registration costs and transportation to the Kansas City, Mo., conference.

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Enron collapse spawns new class

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Notre Dame has responded to the demise of the Enron Corporation with a class to explore the significance of the bankruptcy of the much-publicized corporate giant.

Beginning March 18 and running through April 22, the five-week course will focus on the business and accounting issues associated with Enron's collapse. The company's troubles have made headlines since late last year.

Thomas Frecka, professor of accountancy, conceived the idea for and will teach the course.

"The Enron debacle is the most important event to impact the accounting profession in recent memory," Frecka said.

Enron's Chapter 11 reorganization is the largest bankruptcy

in American history, and experts predict it will eventually cause major detriment to the U.S. economy. With more than 21,000 employees in some 30 countries and revenue in excess of \$100 billion, it is still unclear how the company ran out of money.

Enron's executives and company board agreed to seek Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in early December of 2001. The fast pace at which Enron collapsed is now the subject of multiple investigations, including a criminal investigation into the company's alleged fraudulent accounting methods.

The course, according to Frecka, will focus on fundamental topics associated with corporations — accounting and tax disclosures, pension and management compensation, the provision of audit and non-audit services and legal and ethical

issues. It will be available to students with a minimum of nine credit hours in accounting courses.

Accounting professionals, other interested students and the general public are also encouraged to attend the course for no credit.

"Given the singular importance of this event, we would be remiss if we didn't provide a forum for our students and members of the financial community to explore the issues that are so prominently in the news," Frecka said.

Classes will run from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Mondays in the Jordan Auditorium of the Mendoza College of Business.

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Cheney defends widening of war

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Vice President Dick Cheney defended the Bush administration's worldwide strategy against terrorism from Democratic critics Monday night and said American casualties in Afghanistan are lamentable but their cause is a just one.

Twice, Cheney refused to say who he had in mind. But Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., has recently criticized President Bush for not defining the parameters of the war, even as it expands to include more countries.

"Some of our friends on

(Capitol) Hill have questioned us about the strategy ... on the war on terror," Cheney said at a campaign event for Sen. John Warner, R-Va., in suburban McLean, Va.

"I think I would suggest to them, and I won't name any names here, but the president has been abundantly clear on the subject of who the enemy is. I can't remember the last time we ever had as direct-spoken a president as we have today," Cheney said.

Daschle has faulted the administration for what he sees as lack of a clear direction in the war.

"We really don't know what the direction is, frankly. We talk

about going into Yemen. We're talking now about going into the Philippines and other places," Daschle said on "Fox News Sunday."

"... Before we go into a lot of these other locations, I think it is important for us to better understand what our purpose is, how long will we be there, how many troops will be there, how does it affect our efforts in Afghanistan."

Cheney also defended Bush's use of the phrase "axis of evil" to describe Iraq, Iran and North Korea. The choice of words sparked massive protests in Iran and North Korea, and strong questioning from moderates in all three nations.

Observer wins ACP honorable mention

Observer Staff Report

The Associated College Press recognized The Observer staff this weekend with two honorable mention awards at the organization's national convention in Los Angeles.

One award was for general excellence in the four-year college daily newspaper division of the ACP Newspaper of the Year

Contest The second was for special coverage by a four-year college daily paper of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Students from two- and four-year colleges and universities nationwide attend the convention each year. The Observer consistently earns honors in the newspaper contest.

Last year, the ACP named The Observer National Newspaper of the Year.

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graduate and currently a medical student at Ohio State University, beat all odds when they were asked to donate tissue that could save someone else's life.

The donation process presents many drawbacks. Countless preliminary blood tests, extensive physical exams, pain in the lower back and in-depth counseling make donation more than just a physical sacrifice. Although only 2 to 3 percent of the marrow in the hip area is

"The bottom line is that taking part in the process might save a life."

Jonathan Jorissen
bone marrow donor

extracted, anesthesia and an overnight stay in the hospital are required.

Despite the drawbacks, Jorissen and Woyach persevered.

Events such as the bone marrow drive bring together the community, according to Woyach, who decided to donate as a sign of solidarity.

"I remember hearing about the bone marrow drive from friends and thinking that this is what makes Notre Dame such a special place — when someone is in trouble, other people go out of their way to help them out," she said.

Woyach has gone through all of the necessary blood tests and is scheduled to donate on April 2. As a medical student, her schedule is tight and classes are rigorous, but that hasn't stopped her from helping to save a life.

"I think right now I'm most nervous about the time commitment. I have had to miss a few classes, and will have to miss some more, but the people at the Red Cross have been really nice about working around my classes and other activities," Woyach said.

Although initial worries about pain and apprehension from her parents gave Woyach cause for concern, she said she is looking forward to the actual donation.

"I was really surprised at first, then kind of scared about the commitment required to be a donor. Now, though, I'm pretty excited," she said.

Her bone marrow will go to an anonymous patient suffering from leukemia, aplastic anemia, sickle cell anemia, radiation poisoning or an immune deficiency syndrome. The marrow, which produces red and white blood cells and platelets, protects against disease and controls bleeding. Since the procedure's introduction in 1987, more than 11,000 donations have come from unrelated donors and 60,000 donations from patients' family members.

Jorissen received the call at

the end of last summer.

"I was taken aback initially. I had signed up a couple years prior, and the notion of being a donor faded with time," Jorissen said. "I was actually on a vacation when my contacts were trying to get a hold of me. Needless to say, I was surprised to hear the answering machine messages when I returned. I thought it was a call straight from God."

Jorissen underwent two separate blood tests, both of which confirmed his compatibility with the patient. But when doctors found a better match, Jorissen's obligation ended.

Despite the relatively short duration of his commitment,

Jorissen still went through the emotional anxiety most potential donors face. Looming concerns of pain — and even the very small chance of death doctors warned him about — made his family members nervous. Yet they were extremely supportive, he said.

"When something like this comes up, it alters your routine. If you dwell on the pain and inconvenience involved in the process, it can be quite difficult, but the bottom line is that taking part in the process might save a life — that made it quite easy," Jorissen said.

Although Jorissen did not have to make the final sacrifice, he said all his effort paid off in the end.

"We are all united as brothers and sisters in God. ... Registering is one small way to serve others with love — to literally save a life, which is a beautiful thing," he said.

Friends of Conor Murphy, who died last January, agree with Jorissen.

"Conor showed all along that he wanted everyone to band together to fight leukemia, and the fact that people are still supporting his cause would obviously make him happy," said Murphy's fellow Zahm Hall resident, Wes Jacobs. "I know that he's smiling somewhere every time something like this happens."

Another friend, senior George Remus, said, "I think Conor would be just as positive and excited about it as the recipients were, and I think it would encourage him to try to continually organize future bone marrow drives, to help existing databases to grow."

A simple blood test puts an individual on the registry.

More than 4 million people worldwide are registered donors, but new registrants are always needed. Potential donors must be between the ages of 18 and 60, with no history of hepatitis, heart disease, cancer or HIV/AIDS.

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according to Brooke Norton, student body president.

"It's a 23 percent increase, but [more than] 10 percent of that is from inflation," Norton said.

Supporters of an increase believe the raise will allow programming bodies such as the Student Union Board to increase and improve activities and provide more money for under-funded clubs.

Off-campus senator Matt

Smith, the sole dissenter, said he opposed the resolution because it doesn't reflect his constituency's interests.

"Most students I represent don't participate in all the activities that are sponsored on campus through the fees," Smith said following the meeting. "They don't want to pay when they won't reap the benefits."

He also fought the proposal because the University continues to deny club status to gay- and lesbian group OutReachND. "A funding increase should be accompanied by recognition for them," Smith said.

The resolution came to the

CLC after a month of debate and committee work in the Senate. Senators approved the \$15 dollar increase following a divisive 18-9 vote and a succession of changes.

The initial plan called for a \$10 hike next year and a \$5 increase every other year until the fee reached \$100. The proposal passed by the Senate and CLC recommends only a one-time raise and includes no mention of additional increases in subsequent years.

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Ridge: U.S.-Mexico border is mismanaged

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY

The U.S.-Mexican border long ago outgrew the way it is managed, and both countries need to find a more modern solution, Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge said Monday.

Kicking off a two-day meeting designed to coordinate security between the two countries after the Sept. 11 attacks, Ridge told reporters in Mexico City that he planned to look for ways to create a "smart, secure, friendly, 21st century border."

"Our relationship long ago outpaced ... our approach," he said of the growing trade and ties between Mexico and the United States.

Ridge will be holding two days of meetings with Mexican officials to design a new border-management agreement similar to one reached with

Canada in December.

The agreement with Canada called for a computer system that would ease the entry process into both countries for low-risk, preapproved users, and new technology to clear goods in factories, rail yards and seaports instead of waiting until they reach the border crossing.

Still, Ridge has said that drug trafficking and illegal immigration make U.S.-Mexican relations more complicated than America's ties to Canada.

He was to meet with Mexican President Vicente Fox and other key Mexican officials.

Ridge acknowledged that increased security has significantly slowed both commerce and other legitimate traffic at the border and he said he hoped the two sides could develop a plan to ease crossings while maintaining a high level of security.

Election

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Erchick, treasurer.

"We are thrilled with the results since all the candidates were excellent," Finley said.

The 2004 tickets of Katie Haeberle and Jamie Belcher will also meet in Wednesday's primary. Haeberle earned 37 percent of Monday's votes, while Belcher won 33 percent.

The Liz Bailey ticket ran a losing campaign, receiving only 24 percent of class votes with an election turnout of 36 percent.

Haeberle's running mates are Erika Kozlowski, vice president, Kelly Viater, secretary, and Jenny Burke, treasurer.

Belcher's running mates are Rebecca Doll, vice president, Bitsy Doro, secretary, and Anneliese Woolford, treasurer.

"We just hope that the class recognizes that we're trying to continue the projects we've been working on the past two years while on freshman and sophomore board into our junior year," Belcher said.

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Statement of the Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend

Statement on Human Cloning

Bishop John M. D'Arcy

This month it is expected that the United States Senate will consider a bill—the "Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2001" (H.R. 2505, S. 790)—to ban all human cloning in the United States. This is a measure that all citizens of good will should rally to support.

Creating human life in the laboratory by cloning presents us with a funda-

mental challenge. Can a democratic civilization survive which reduces human beings to mere products of a manufacturing technique? When cloning is done to pursue medical research, what is euphemistically called "therapeutic cloning," the reduction of human life to a commodity is even more complete—a new human life is created solely to be destroyed or harvested. Even if medical benefits could be derived from such destruction, it is never ethical to achieve good ends by evil means.

Human cloning for any purpose is contrary to the foundational values of our nation, as was slavery and segregation in previous generations. As a representative of the Holy See stated in December to a committee of the United Nations General Assembly: "The act of cloning... is actually a form of imposing dominion over another human being which denies the human dignity of the child and makes him or her a slave to the will of others."

Progress in stem cell research and other medical advances does not depend on the pursuit of human cloning. Every few weeks there are news stories

heralding great discoveries in the use of adult stem cells. Not only is the scientific worth of so-called "therapeutic cloning" highly speculative, but a further regression in society's respect for human life and human dignity will necessarily occur unless human cloning is prohibited by law.

While some question the dignity of the human embryo at this early stage, can anyone be sure beyond a reasonable doubt that this life does not bear the divine spark present in every human person? I do not believe so. Imagine if a physician wanted to remove the organs from someone who he was not sure had died yet. Could any appeal citing all the people who would benefit from these organs justify risking the death of an innocent person? Certainly not.

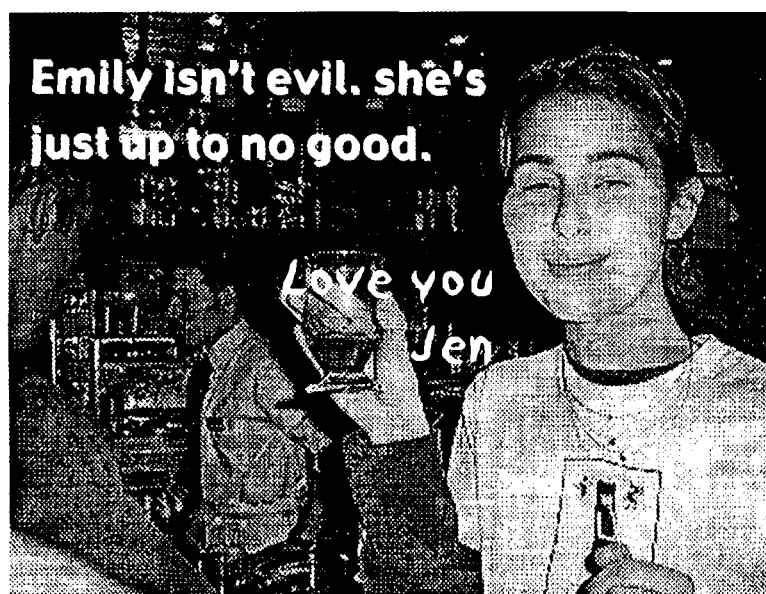
I encourage all the citizens of Indiana to contact their senators, Richard Lugar and Evan Bayh, and express their support for the "Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2001" (H.R. 2505, S. 790), which will ban all human cloning in the United States.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Kashmir clashes kill 17: Separatist violence in India's region of Kashmir has left at least 17 people dead. Indian soldiers killed eight Islamic militants trying to sneak in from Pakistan-controlled Kashmir along the remote frontier. India accuses Pakistan of aiding at least a dozen Islamic militant groups fighting in Kashmir.

Russian vodka exporter blocked: The exporter of Stolichnaya vodka accused the Russian government on Monday of illegally blocking shipment of the popular spirit in a trademark dispute that has left tons of the beverage stranded in port in western Russia. Authorities in the western enclave of Kaliningrad have refused to release 150 shipping containers of vodka, mostly Stolichnaya, that belong to the SPI Spirits Group.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Lake at crematory to be drained: Investigators Monday planned to begin draining a three-acre lake at the Tri-State Crematory in a search for more discarded corpses. Authorities said they will probably spend more than a week dredging the dry lakebed for human remains. A skull and a torso were discovered in the lake last month. So far, 339 rotting corpses have been discovered dumped in pits, left in sheds and stacked in vaults.

Fake NYC firefighter sentenced: A man who posed as a visiting firefighter after Sept. 11 was sentenced Monday to one to three years in prison for theft and planning fraud. Jerome Brandl, 34, pleaded guilty to attempted criminal possession of stolen property and scheming to defraud. Brandl posed as a volunteer firefighter from Milwaukee took accepted donations from community members. He had no comment in court.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Man beats toddler to death: Police investigators believe a man frustrated because he kept losing at a video game took his anger out by beating a crying 2-year-old boy to death. Michael Willis, 33, of Gary, was being held Monday in the Lake County Jail on a murder charge after officers found Kenneth Coleman Jr. dead in his mother's home on Wednesday. Officers found the child with bruises on his forehead, arm, stomach and chest, the county prosecutor's office said. The coroner's office found that Kenneth died as a result of the injuries.



AFP Photo

Two U.S. helicopters fly over the mountains near Gardez, Afghanistan in a U.S.-led bombing campaign against Taliban and al-Qaida forces. At least nine American soldiers were killed in the offensive.

Attack kills at least 9 U.S. troops

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

As many as nine American soldiers were killed and 40 more were wounded Monday when two U.S. helicopters took enemy fire during the most deadly allied air and ground offensive of the war in Afghanistan.

The U.S. assault, code-named Operation Anaconda, marked a new approach. Instead of relying on Afghan forces to take the fight to the al-Qaida, with U.S. troops in support, the Americans took the lead. Afghan, Canadian, Australian,

German, Danish, Norwegian and French forces were supporting.

Fighting was fierce, by all accounts, in difficult conditions.

U.S. ground troops and pilots were operating at elevations between 8,000 and 11,000 feet, said Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, cold, icy and snowy "like the Rocky Mountains in the middle of the winter."

Army officials said Apache attack helicopters had been hit with extraordinary amounts of small arms fire but were able to continue their assaults. Air Force AC-130 gunships,

armed with howitzers and 40mm cannon, were serving as the ground troops' airborne artillery.

Air Force bombers and Navy and Air Force strike aircraft had dropped more than 350 bombs by Monday.

The men killed Monday were not the first U.S. casualties in the new offensive, which appeared far from finished. Army Chief Warrant Officer Stanley Harriman, 34, of Wade, N.C., was killed in a ground attack Saturday shortly after American forces, joined by Afghan and other allied troops, began the offensive against

hundreds of fighters of the al-Qaida terror network and the former ruling Taliban militia dug in near the town of Gardez.

Names of the Americans Monday were being withheld until relatives could be notified.

The American deaths underscored not only the dangers in pursuing President Bush's declared goal of eliminating Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida but also the difficulty of assaulting what Pentagon officials say are well-armed and well-organized pockets of al-Qaida resistance in eastern Afghanistan.

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Powell endorses summit meeting

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Secretary of State Colin Powell praised on Monday a proposal by Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for an Israeli-Palestinian summit meeting.

Powell took up the proposition with Mubarak, who offered to play host to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. "It's an interesting idea," Powell said.

However, he said a decision ultimately was up to Sharon and

Arafat.

At a brief news conference after talking to Javier Solana, the senior diplomat for the European Union, Powell said the situation in the Middle East was "terrible," with violence between Israel and the Palestinians escalating.

He said the Bush administration was redoubling its efforts to halt the strife and that a peace proposal by Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia was a positive development.

"It is a vision that we all have to examine, and hopefully it's a vision that all Arab nations and Israel will

look at, and that all of us together in the European Union, the United States and other leaders around the world will look at this vision and see what we can do to make this vision a reality," Powell said.

Solana, who has been to the area, said he was very concerned about the fighting and the Europeans were determined to be helpful.

In that regard, Powell spoke by telephone over the weekend with German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer, who has played a prominent role in European peacemaking efforts.

Medical students report burnout problems

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

Three out of four medical residents in a University of Washington study report suffering from "burnout" and half of those said they sometimes

gave less-than-ideal care.

Too little sleep, frequent shifts longer than 24 hours and lack of leisure time were most often rated as major stresses by residents in the university's internal medicine residency program.

Dr. Anthony Back, a

University of Washington medical professor and one of the authors of the study, said the research didn't determine whether patient care was affected.

But according to the study in Tuesday's *Annals of Internal Medicine*, slightly more than half the residents experiencing burnout reported one or more "suboptimal" patient care practices at least monthly, compared with about 21 percent of residents not experiencing burnout.

Such practices included residents making treatment or medication errors "not due to a lack of knowledge of inexperience," failing to fully discuss treatment options and answer patient questions and discharging patients "because the team was too busy."

Doctors generally serve one year as an intern and train for three years as residents following graduation from medical school.

Dr. Julia Gore, chief resident at the Veterans Affairs hospital

in the University of Washington system, called the study a "snapshot" that doesn't fully describe the experience.

"Sure, there definitely were times when I felt really tired and probably would say burned out," said Gore, in her third year as a resident. "After a few days off or after moving onto a different rotation, my response would be completely different."

Even when fatigued, Gore said, she felt "very supported" by other residents and the attending physician on duty.

Another article in the journal said about a third of 4,130 residents surveyed nationwide reported four or five symptoms of depression.

The survey, by the Resident Services Committee of the Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine,

concluded that increased cynicism and symptoms of depression were associated with educational debt.

Of those surveyed, 42 percent had debt of at least \$50,000; 19 percent had debt of at least \$100,000 and 43 percent had a monthly

disposable income of \$100 or less.

One-third did medical work outside their training and 349 said they worked more than 20 hours a week at their moonlighting jobs.

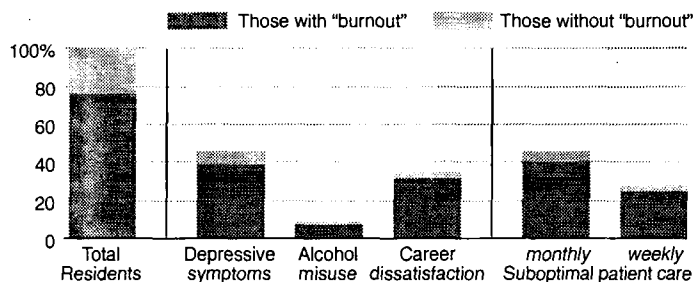
"We cannot relieve the suffering of others if we, ourselves, are suffering," Dr. Linda Hawes Clever of California Pacific Medical Center in San Francisco said in an accompanying editorial.

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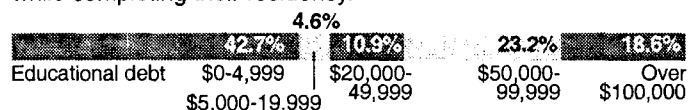
Medical residents burn out

A study of 115 young doctors shows that the majority of them suffer from "burnout," a syndrome of depersonalization, emotional exhaustion and a sense of low personal accomplishment. Residents who reported these symptoms and behaviors also said they sometimes gave suboptimal patient care.



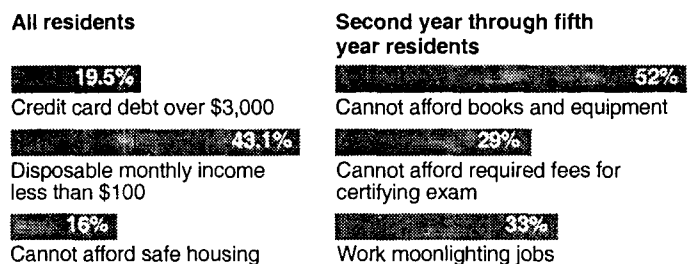
Doctors in debt

Almost 20 percent of doctors have over \$100,000 in student loans while completing their residency.



Burning in the red

A separate questionnaire shows that a substantial number of residents have had financial struggles that could have interfered with training.

SOURCE: *Annals of Internal Medicine*

AP

ISRAEL

Gunman kills 3, wounds 25 in café

Associated Press

TEL AVIV

A gunman opened fire at a Tel Aviv restaurant early Tuesday, killing three people and wounding 25 before he was shot to death, officials said.

A shoe salesman who was eating said he pulled his own gun and shot the attacker. It wasn't immediately clear if police also returned fire.

The Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigade, linked to Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement, claimed responsibility for the attack in telephone calls to local TV stations, Israel Radio reported. The callers identified the attacker as a Palestinian from the Jebelya refugee camp next to Gaza City.

Police said the assault on the all-night restaurant was carried out by a lone gunman, but did not further describe him.

"A man fired with an M-16," Tel Aviv police commander Uri Bar-Lev told Israel Radio.

"He also apparently tried to throw a grenade, but it did not explode," said police commander Yossi Sedbon, also over Israel Radio. Sedbon said the

attacker also stabbed people with a knife.

Shoe salesman William Hazan told the station that amid the violence he saw a tall man fighting with someone else.

"I thought he was beating the terrorist. Then the tall man stabbed me in the back with a knife. Then I understood that he was the terrorist. Right away I started firing at him," said Hazan.

The attack came during an especially violent period in the 17-month conflict between Israel and the Palestinians. In weekend attacks, Palestinians killed 22 Israelis, and in reprisals, Israeli forces killed 16 Palestinians on Monday.

"We saw a terrorist firing toward the restaurant and then entering," said a witness, who gave his name as Effie and said he is the owner of the business, called "Seafood." "He was firing all the time." He said the attack lasted about five minutes.

"We were dancing and all of a sudden we heard gunshots. We all hid under the tables," said another witness, who declined to be identified.

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Center for Social Concerns

Happenings



Social Concern Seminars/SSPIs/ISSLPs

Over Spring Break...

Approximately 160 ND/SMC students will be departing March 8th through 10th to the following locations for spring break service and experiential learning seminars: Five states in the **Appalachia region**; **Washington, D.C.**, to explore faith through the context of the public forum and policy-making; a **L'Arche community** in Toronto, Canada; **Immokalee, Florida** (an immersion into the lives of migrant farmworkers); **Coachella Valley, California** (in conjunction with Holy Cross Missions); and **El Salvador** through the three-credit course *Church and Society in El Salvador: Transforming Realities*.

There will be 3 departure masses to celebrate these students' travels. All Are Welcome! Please Join Us!

*This **Thursday**, at 7:30 in **Stanford/Keenan Chapel** – the students part of the El Salvador, Migrant Experiences, Coachella, and L'Arche seminars/courses will gather for mass.

*The Washington Seminar participants will join with **Dillon Hall** for the **10:30 Thursday evening mass**.

*This **Saturday, March 9th**, Appalachia participants will join for mass at **4:30 p.m.** at Stanford/Keenan Chapel.

Pilot Seminar for Sophomores...

Sophomores are invited to apply to a new pilot seminar. A group of sophomores will travel to the sea islands of South Carolina from May 11th through the 18th to work with the Gullah people and other members of the coastal communities. The group will work with the Catholic sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in their ministries of home repair, GED tutoring, ESL tutoring, food and clothing distribution, in addition to learning about the rich history and culture of the area.

Applications are available at the **Center for Social Concerns** and are **DUE TOMORROW, MARCH 6TH!**

For additional information contact **Carl Loesch** at loesch.4@nd.edu or **Mary Murphy** at mmurph16@nd.edu

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Shawn Storer, ND '01 will host an information session

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at the Center for Social Concerns.

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Notre Dame, YOU helped donate a smile! Through your kindness, the **Operation Smile Student Organization** was able to reach its goal of \$750! This sponsored the surgery for one child. Thank you to all who contributed to this wonderful cause! For further questions and information regarding our club, check our website at <http://www.nd.edu/~opsmile>

"Service is a form of travel. We 'make camp' in those places—many places—where we feel strangest, if only because we're weary. Indeed, service is that restlessness we feel until we build a home where we are weary and wake up to new views through different windows. And being homesick, sometimes, is not a longing for the home we cling to as children, but for the one to which we are called to serve, no matter how foreign."

—Miguel Vieyra (ND, '03). Reflecting on his Hispanic Leadership Internship in the Pilsen neighborhood of Chicago

Current Volunteer Needs:

Scouting Program at LaCasa de Amistad - Charles Vonderheid - 289-0337

Were you a Boy Scout or Girl Scout? Looking for some interested volunteers to work with their scouting program on Thursdays from 4:00-5:30 at LaCasa de Amistad. The program will run until the end of the school year.

Algebra/Geometry tutor for Junior in HS - Vanessa Kosanovich - 289-4330

She would like an algebra/geometry tutor to work with her son one to two times a week for 1-2 hours, preferably beginning around 6:00 or 7:00 p.m. Tutor would need transportation to her home in South Bend.

3rd Grade Math Tutor - Tanya Ford - 234-6041 (w) 268-1047 (h)

She is looking for a Math tutor to help her 3rd grade son. Please be available after school at least once a week, a location on campus can be arranged.

Tutors to help with I-step preparation - Nan Tulchinsky - 283-7516

Many, many tutors are needed to help high school juniors and seniors study for their I-step tests, which they must pass prior to graduation. Help is needed for English and Math, Monday thru Friday from 3:00-5:00 at LaSalle High School from February 25th - March 8th.

Greater St. John Church Tutoring Program - Thelma Harris - 631-5447

They have a homework-focused tutoring program on Tuesday nights from 5:45-7:00 and are looking for volunteers to help keep the children on task and answer questions on their homework. The church is located on the west side of South Bend and its program serves up to 45 children of all ages.

Tutor to help with study skills for 7th grader - Katie Mnichowski - 251-9870

She would like a tutor to assist her daughter with homework and most importantly help her develop better study skills, including tips on memorizing material or reading textbooks. Please be available once or twice a week (Thursday thru Sunday) for one hour.

Male Mentor for 8-yr old boy - Deb Isakeb - 631-8844

Do you enjoy sports, cars, videogames and long for the days of childhood? If so, become a mentor for an 8-year old boy whose father is absent from his life. Please be available to spend time with him about once a week.

Newly Opened Safe House for Elderly - Charlene - 246-0144

OASIS, a newly opened safe house which provides short-term emergency shelter for elderly at risk for abuse or neglect, is one of only 18 in the nation and is in need of volunteers for overnight (11pm-7am) and weekend shifts (7am-7pm & 7pm-7am). Volunteer must be able to become alert if needed during the night and 2 volunteers may sign up together for 1 time slot.

If you have any questions about these volunteer projects feel free to email cscvols@nd.edu.



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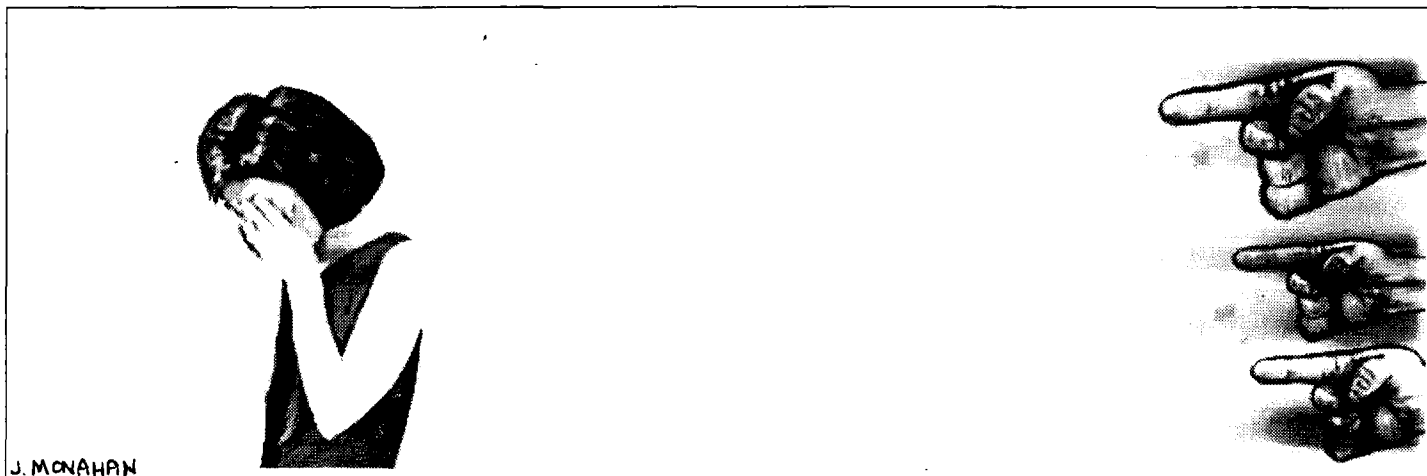
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J. MCNAHAN

Blaming victims promotes rape

The incidence of false rape reports in the United States is 1 percent to 2 percent. This is the same incidence as false reports of burglary.

Did you doubt that O'Neill's Mardi Gras money was stolen when rector Father John Herman reported it? Then why do you doubt every girl who reports a rape on this campus?

Notre Dame should be ashamed. We live in a society that excuses, promotes and encourages rape. That society is Notre Dame and its leadership — the Notre Dame administration, specifically the Office of Residence Life, leads the effort.

As if it's not hard enough for a woman who has experienced this most private, terrifying, destructive and soul-stealing experience to come forward and report it, students at Notre Dame have a tendency to not only doubt the girl, but to actually blame her for the crime committed against her.

Recently, I've had several conversations regarding this attitude with Notre Dame students. In one such conversation, one student asserted, "the thing that gets me is naïve people don't make the correlation between risky behaviors leading to negative things happening." Though certainly such sentiment on its face is not without merit, it hides a bitter and frightening undertone. That is, the attitude that if a girl is drinking, she deserves terrible things to happen to her. Certainly this attitude pervades this campus, whether we want to admit it or not.

Perhaps it would do me well to define rape in a manner consistent with at first moral, and then later, legal culpability. Morally, you've committed rape if you set out during an evening to have sex, and you have sex with someone who does not consent. Consent consists of the permission granted by a person in full control of her faculties. It doesn't matter if you're drunk, if you had it in mind before getting drunk or while getting drunk, that you were going to have sex. You premeditated your crime and as far as I'm concerned (far be it for me to pass judgment), you should burn for it. Similarly, it doesn't matter if the girl you are raping is drunk. If she's not capable of saying

no, and you're having sex with her, you're committing rape. Sadly, we live in a community that says, so long as you're drunk, everything you do is excused. How terrible.

Legally, it's a little different story. According to the law as originally written, interestingly, rape is non-consensual sex with a woman. Note that men were not even protected in the original statute. Now, the exact text of an Indiana law (IC 35-42-4-1) says that a person who has sex when: "(1) the other person is compelled by force or imminent threat of force; (2) the other person is unaware that the sexual intercourse is occurring; or (3) the other person is so mentally disabled or deficient that consent to sexual intercourse cannot be given; commits rape, a Class B felony."

The key to this is, it doesn't say you're protected if you're drunk, and it explicitly states that a drunk woman cannot give consent. If you can even vaguely understand her incapacity, you're a rapist.

An example: If your girlfriend wanted to have sex with some guy, and she went out and had sex with him while she was drunk, it wouldn't matter to you whether she was drunk or not. Similarly, it doesn't matter to the law whether you're drunk or not when you commit a crime. I hope women are reading this and considering reporting the criminals who so callously abused them and hurt them for one single night of physical gratification.

Of course there's a caveat to this whole discussion. Even when you report the crime to the proper authorities — ResLife — they're not going to treat you with the dignity due a normal human being. This is because this administration cares only to save face when confronted with rape on campus. They substitute public image for justice, especially if your attacker is an athlete or a person in a place of authority. Perhaps you doubt this assertion. Hopefully last year's Cosmopolitan article (March 2001), helped open some people's eyes to the University's non-confrontational stance on campus rape, because I can't relate all the specifics to you.

What I can tell you comes directly from someone who has endured ResLife "justice." In a typical ResLife action, especially when it comes to athletes and rape, you can expect that even written confessions mean nothing to a ResLife panel.

What would your response be, if after bearing your soul, being denied the right to question your accuser or his witnesses, even though he could question you through the panel, and being forced to sit in the same room with your rapist for six hours, your case was basically dismissed, because "Well, your file is extensive, and we're pretty busy with the football season, so we're going to recommend counseling for your rapist."

What is a victim to do then, in the case of rape? In the words of a victim who endured the ResLife system, "Bypass Notre Dame at all costs." That means report your case directly to the St. Joseph County Sheriff. I imagine many women avoid this hoping to avoid publicity, but what they trade for the "privacy" of ResLife is justice. If the sheriff can't or won't make a case for you, only then should ResLife be considered a viable alternative.

I would like to leave you with some information about rape and getting help and other general facts you should know. If you're the victim of a rape, you know someone who is or you just need to talk about it, you can call Sex Offense Services (SOS) in South Bend. The number is 289-HELP and it is in no way associated with the University. They can help you get through the entire process of reporting the crime, if that's what you want to do, or they can just talk.

Next, if you think you've been a victim of sexual assault, you have three days to get to a medical facility to have evidence taken. Some people are under the impression that you have less, but this is erroneous. If possible, I'm sure you know, don't shower or throw away your clothes, etc. Some additional Notre Dame rape statistics are available at www.nd.edu/~jlittle/rapestat.html. Most importantly though, no matter what anyone tells you, even if you were drinking or don't remember, no matter what — it's not your fault.

John Little is a junior MIS major who hopes people actually still read and listen to his column. His column appears every other Tuesday. He can be contacted at jlittle@nd.edu.

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"Those who stand for nothing fall for anything."

Alexander Hamilton
politician

VIEWPOINT

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Women's boxing deserves equal treatment

Why aren't these women angry? I'm referring to our women boxers. I'll get back to this point later.

I hate boxing. Oh sure, boxing reflects every facet of athleticism: strength, dexterity, endurance and strategy. Boxers are superb athletes. I grant you that.

Still, there must be some alternative sport that could showcase all the same skills, without resorting to formalized violence.

I hate boxing. It's the vicarious participants who scare me the most. My suspicion is that few people learn to judge boxing on technical merit. When cameras pan the crowds at ringside, you don't see genteel observers sedately marking their score-cards. You don't see aficionados nodding sagely at the outcome of a nobly-fought split-decision.

The crowd wants blood. They want to see heads snap back. They want to see mouthguards fly. Disoriented staggering and unconsciousness are the only results that most people understand.

Though boxers are athletes, I fear that many spectators are ghouls.

I hate boxing. However, the refrain of my opening diatribe is just a preamble to my actual point of contention: if we're going to let men fight in public, then we must allow women the same opportunity. We are all indebted to Noreen Gillespie for bringing this matter to our attention in her March 1 article.

I don't see why "coaches' concerns about the skill level" should deny women boxers a public venue. No one is refused admittance when uncoordinated little boys make their first attempts at tackle football. Fans cheer loudly, even if the hits are not exactly bone-crunching (and rightly so). I know a guy who fought in the Bengal Bouts after one season of training, with no prior experience. Some of the women have been boxing for years. They deserve a chance to test their mettle under scrutiny, even if they are utterly laughable, which seems unlikely after so much practice. The gateway to Centre Court at Wimbeldon bears this Rudyard Kipling quotation: "... if you can meet with triumph and disaster, and treat those two importers just the same ..."

Perhaps the administration fears that

ill-mannered knaves will come to leer at "chicks" fighting. Maybe so. Well, here's a news flash: women get ogled all the time. They might as well choose the circumstances for themselves. We can't impose restrictions on women just to stop men from misbehaving. That sort of logic leads to women wearing burkas.

In the same vein, we might start hiding dedicated female athletes in a "tucked away" underground gymnasium. Oh wait, we're already doing that. A woman's dignity is her own, to be wagered against glory if she pleases.

When Beth Rinkus says that women's boxing is "more about form and control" she seems to imply that

women's boxing can be legitimized by emphasizing technique rather than violence. Why should this be so?

As long as the usual rules of boxing are satisfied, style should be a matter of personal taste. When a woman chooses finesse over brutality, it should have nothing to do with the fact that she's a woman.

For women fighting women, build should not be an issue. If a woman wants to be a savage brawler, then nobody should stand in her way. I certainly won't. I think that women's boxing will only gain acceptance if we abandon the absurd notion that women must be dainty at all times.

I now return to my opening question: why aren't these women angry? Most of the women interviewed seemed a little frustrated, yet resigned or even understanding. That was the impression I got. Maybe that's what it takes to work the system. Maybe they were just being polite. Patience has built a strong women's boxing program where once there was none. Perhaps further patience is required. It seems like a gross injustice to me, but I'm not a woman so perhaps I'm not entitled to an opinion.

Don't miss my point: I hate boxing, but if we allow men to beat each other, then women deserve equal opportunity.

Mark Zajac
graduate student
Department of Physics
March 3, 2002



Feminist promotion of 'V-day' is not true social work

Regarding the performance of "The Vagina Monologues" and the controversy it has generated at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, one only has to read the letters to The Observer in favor of the production to get an understanding of the ideology of those who back the performance. One should be careful in supporting such a production without understanding the agenda that drives it. It may be that many who back the production don't really understand the depth of the agenda behind this play and "V-day" specifically and feminism in general.

The vacuous words and phrases used in the letters are those that typically distinguish feminist cant; it's about "diversity," or it's about "empowerment," or it's about "giving voice to actual women" and "reclaiming these words and the right to tell our stories." What does "essentialist" mean, anyway?

It's really about a long-term agenda that has as its roots Marxist and Communist thought and won't be satisfied until science creates an artificial womb to grow babies. This agenda is really driven by a small minority of women who have a self-loathing because they happen to have a period once a month and men don't.

It also happens to run antithetical to the social teachings of the Catholic Church. Those teachings are not just those of Pope John Paul II, the femi-

nists' favorite. They are the teachings of the Church. One only has to look at the sad state of affairs of the mainline Protestant churches that have caved into all manner of feminist dogma and have gotten out of the business of rescuing souls to see where all this leads.

Why does Notre Dame need "V-day" anyway? Notre Dame has a long history of what used to be called charity and social work. I would have to ask your feminist experts what it is now called so I don't use some patronizing or offensive language. Fifteen years ago, there was plenty of discussion about violence against women and the pathetic date rape committed by some jerks. Students 15 years ago did charity work to help battered women. This went on without some national feminist agenda driving it.

It is disconcerting that today Notre Dame students need this feminist sophistry to justify social work. I hope the students who espouse it learned it elsewhere and not at some so-called "gender course" at Notre Dame. They would be better off learning what V-day means to understand what true oppression is.

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March 2, 2002

Hold club funding more accountable

It has been said that benign neglect is the worst thing that can happen in politics. I write in the hope that the student body, the Campus Life Council and Father Mark Poorman will not neglect a full consideration of what is at stake in the potential raising of the student activity fee.

It must be made clear from the beginning that the issue is not the money itself. It is rather a question of the basic standards which must be maintained for spending the University's funds. The current standards for accountability are not stringent enough, and until this is remedied, further funding increases are inappropriate.

As I understand it, club expenditure reports are due at the end of each year and are accessible through the Financial Management Board. While my hall's senator claims to have access to these records, I am told that non-senators have been unsuccessful in obtaining this information, in spite of the fact that our fees help fund these activities. This is not right. These reports should be open and easily accessible, perhaps through the Internet with the requirement that one's AFS and password be submitted.

There is a larger issue, however. Notre Dame students entrust the Senate, CLC and administration with maintaining a healthy student life. This is not to be equated with the

number of clubs and organizations present on campus.

What makes Notre Dame special is that its student body comes together for important events. Yet, as quoted on the front page this past Thursday, the outgoing head of the Club Coordination Council said, "The student activity fee increase would add to the number of events for students and keep the cost of events lower." This is good logic but is also bad policy. A burgeoning club system (which lacks appropriate accountability) will decentralize the campus and further harm the extent of student unity.

These ideas, if accepted, would mean that some clubs would not receive the funding they desired. I have absolutely no problem with this. I love this school and gladly pay my dues for well-attended and highly useful events and clubs. But I have no interest in funding the Cow Tipping club, nor do I think a majority of students do. I ask that the Campus Life Council and Father Poorman adequately consider these issues, because the majority of our popularly elected senate has failed to do so.

Neil Ruddock
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March 2, 2002

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ALBUM REVIEW

String quartet attains perfect harmony with Tool

By TOM O'CONNELL
Scene Music Critic

Third Eye Open is an album with an extraordinary concept. The work of the critically acclaimed art rock band Tool has been paid homage by an unlikely group: the string quartet.

Tool's four studio albums are full of hard-rocking beats and guitar riffs. With the instruments nicely balanced by vocalist Maynard James Keenan's pop-trained voice, Tool is a band that can overload your senses. Third Eye Open takes Tool in a completely different direction. Composed mostly but not exclusively of their greatest hits, this album is minimalist, stripped down. The hard-thumping drumbeats are absent, and only the complexity of the melodies remains.

Third Eye Open was clearly a risky move, but upon listening to the album, you realize that it makes perfect sense because it has been so brilliantly executed. The reason Tool was chosen for this tribute project was that they are known for their intricate yet subtle musical arrangements. The album synopsis on the back cover of the album says that, "The greatest road to advancement is

through pain. Physically and emotionally, Tool demonstrate this through music that is more than typical head-banging power chords."

Frequent changes in time and key make many of Tool's songs like three-movement symphonies. Slow-building crescendos that explode at their culmination make a string quartet a good candidate to handle such songs. The strings can be quiet and peaceful one moment, powerful and alienating the next. The reason this would never have worked for people like Britney Spears or Blink 182 is that their sounds are too sugary, too pleasant and too easily digestible. Tool does not write songs that you can hear once and then casually hum the melody. Like most Tool songs, this album makes you work to understand it, and that is exactly what makes it beautiful and ultimately more satisfying than much of today's

mainstream music.

Tool's first big hit, "Sober," starts off the album. The violin takes most of the lead, and it can range from cool and mellow to screeching and violent. Sober is a depressed song, and its mood swings are captured nicely by the string arrangement. The sharp piercing viola of "Intolerance" makes the song sound even

creepier on strings than in the band's original version. The electric violin used on "The Grudge" gives the song the angry sound it needs. "The Grudge" is about an icy person who revels in hate and is desperate to control all his relationships through guilt.

"Opiate" is given an upbeat, almost positive sound at first and ends up becoming the lightest and one of the most pleasing songs on the album. Last summer's hit "Schism" is given a truly creepy interpretation and is the best song on this tribute album. The song is about the breakdown of communication between lovers, and though the lyrics were quite important for Tool, the instrumental sound handles the cold and distant feeling that was the essence of the song. At the very end, the song literally melts down, symbolizing the ultimate destruction of the relationship.

"Ticks and Leeches" is a perfect example of the string quartet's ability to handle a slow-building crescendo into a fast-

paced, furious rhythm.

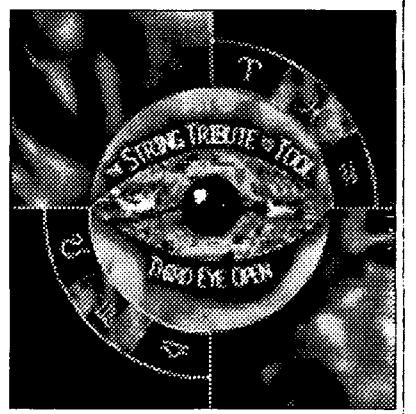
"Aenema" is a song of bitter hatred and loathing that depicts an earthquake that breaks Los Angeles off into the ocean. The music is arranged extremely well, with cellos and contrabass giving the song its fast moving low beats. However, this is one of the few songs that loses a little meaning because the lyrics were so important. The lyrics curse the hypocrisy and inanity of such things as South Central gangster wannabes, L. Ron Hubbard and his celebrity Scientologists and pathetic aspiring actresses. The lyrics are missed, but can be sacrificed for this type of project.

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to Tool

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ALBUM REVIEW

Morissette delivers typical, but strong album

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Scene Music Critic

Alanis Morissette never really changes. From Jagged Little Pill to Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie, her general sound and lyricism maintains a constant, familiar and dependable pulse. With that said, it should be expected that her newest album, Under Rug Swept, would disappoint Morissette fans looking for something new. But, it does not.

Morissette may do the same thing over and over again, but the same thing can be a good thing. Her music channels honesty and thoughtfulness through her brain into her listeners. Her formula is kind of like a scientific theory: it has yet to fail.

The album's first single, "Hands Clean," is a typically Morissette sublime untangling of a snarled relationship. Singing about a much younger lover,

Morissette tries to resist Cupid's arrow. "You're essentially an employee/ And I like you having to depend on me/ You're a kind of protégé/ And one day you'll say you learned all you know from me."

Morissette sings for the sake of honesty, whether her emotions and intentions are nervously raw or bitterly scorched. With "So Unsexy," she takes apart the pain of rejection in an attempt to rebuild her self-esteem. "I can feel so unsexy for someone so beautiful/ So unloved for someone so fine/ I can feel so boring for someone so interesting/ So ignorant for someone of sound mind."

As in her former albums, some of her lyrics in Under Rug Swept creatively voice the frustrations of the feminist movement. With "So Unsexy" and "A Man," Morissette tackles North American gender issues head on. "21 Things I Want in a Lover,"

the album's first track capable of being her next big single, thoughtfully establishes exactly what the title states. "Do you derive joy when someone else succeeds?/ Do you not play dirty when engaged in competition?/ Do you have a big intellectual capacity but know that it alone does not equate wisdom?" Morissette knows what she wants and isn't afraid to ask.

In her grand riot grrl tradition of "You Oughta Know" and "Your Congratulations," "Narcissus" attacks an ex-lover in a seething account of his inconsistencies and egoism. "Dear momma's boy, I know you've had your butt licked by your mother/ I know you've enjoyed all that attention from her and every woman graced with your presence after." Morissette wants to please herself before pleasing another, quite an honorable — albeit difficult — endeavor in both her personal and professional life.

Morissette is known for contradiction, both of herself and others. Many songs in her album compose a diatribe to her ability to rely on herself. She comes down from her pedestal with "That Particular Time," a song about a relationship lost despite her countless efforts and infinite patience. "I've always wanted for you what you've wanted for yourself/ And yet you wanted to save us high water or hell."

The album closes with a hymn-like plea for what she considers perfection. "Utopia" describes a

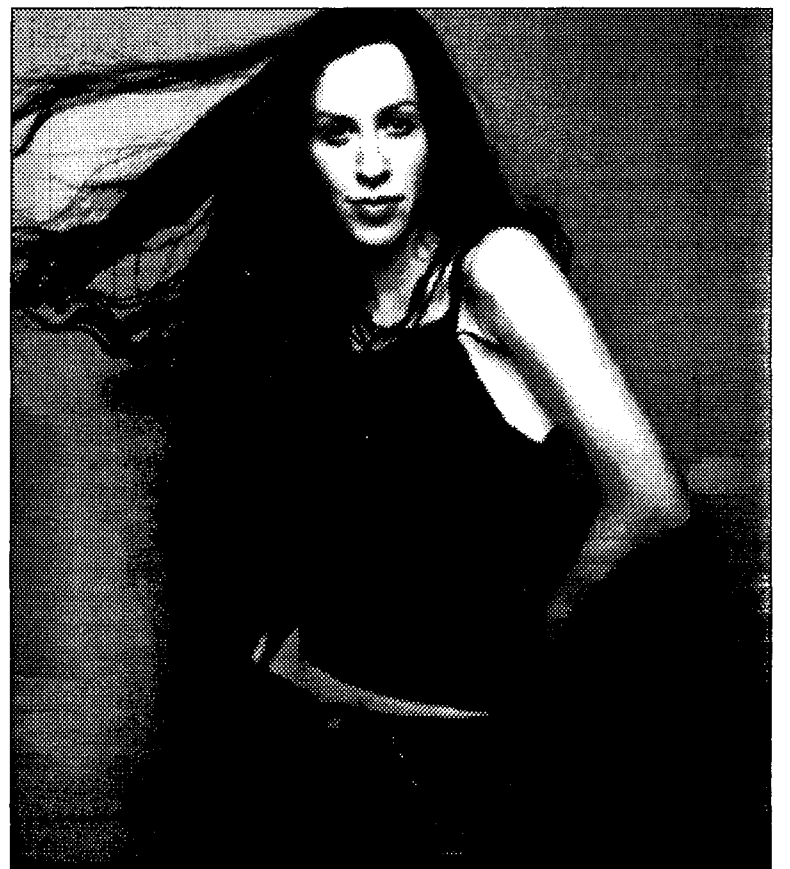


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Under Rug Swept only further establishes Alanis Morissette's run of honest and emotionally clad rock albums.

world of open discussion, open minds, and open hearts, perhaps a quiet response to the attacks of Sept. 11. "We'd rise post-obstacle more defined and more grateful/ We would heal be humbled and be unstoppable/ We'd hold close and let go and know when to do which/ We'd release and disarm and stand up and

feel safe."

Like every other Morissette album, Under Rug Swept is a safe bet. But with this Canadian siren, it doesn't take a gamble to know you've got a winner.

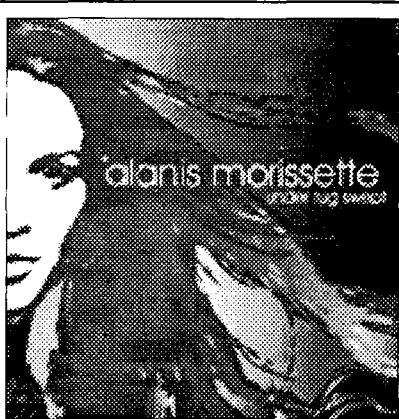
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CAMPUS BAND

Wild Bill's bring bluegrass to the Golden Dome

Ever wonder what it's like to be in a band at Notre Dame? Ever wonder what it's like to be in a bluegrass band at Notre Dame? Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade are not afraid to answer these questions — regardless of whether or not anyone is actually asking.

In an attempt to advance the Notre Dame community's awareness of its own campus bands, The Observer and WVFI have teamed up to spread the knowledge. In that spirit, Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade have agreed to share some of their crazy bluegrass antics with the public through a little Q&A.

Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade is made up of fifth-year architecture student Nick Doro on mandolin, junior science preprofessional Kevin Hansen on bass, law student Jamie Klang on fiddle, junior engineer Marcel Lanahan on guitar and senior government and philosophy major Jared Marx on banjo. Here's a little more about their band.

Observer: How did Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade form?

Wild Bill's: Actually, it's a pretty good story. The late Colonel William T. Bonafide, affectionately known to his admirers as "Wild Bill," was a true bluegrass lover and about as great a man as ever lived. While some say that Wild Bill is only a myth — a legend of sorts — we who believe in his spirit and the spirit of bluegrass know better. The five of us, arriving on campus early last semester as lonely bluegrass wanderers but believers in the Colonel, found a common bond in Wild Bill and joined together to bring his music to all who would listen.

Observer: So, describe your style of music.

Wild Bill's: We play Bluegrass music, a form of music [we're being serious now] that was originally invented and popularized in the 1940s by a mandolin player by the name of Bill Monroe. His group, "The Bluegrass Boys" had a mandolin, a guitar, a banjo, a fiddle and a bass [but no drums], an instrumentation that has become standard for bluegrass bands. Known particularly for its fast tempos and opportunities for exposition of musicians' virtuosity, bluegrass grew out of folk and country music and finds its geographical roots in the southern Appalachian region of the United States. We play a more "northernized" and popularized version of bluegrass [not one of us, after all, is from south of the Mason-Dixon line] but we try to keep our repertoire balanced with a good number of "classic" bluegrass tunes.

Observer: What is the origin of your unique name?

Wild Bill's: We were jamming one day on "Will the Circle be Unbroken" when the ghost of the great Wild Bill was gracious enough to pay us a visit. Our mandolin player Nick was really scared at first, and Kevin didn't

believe that we had actually been blessed with the good Colonel's presence and promptly left the room. Our fiddle player, Jamie, on the other hand, being accustomed to spiritual apparitions, was unfazed. Marcel and Jared, having grown up in a small town in upstate New York, were more confused than anything. This was a typical response for them to most things. But those who were brave enough to stay in the room were known to hear Wild Bill proclaim the birth of a new band, a band to bring the joy of Bluegrass to the cloudy skies of South Bend: Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade.

Observer: Just who exactly usually shows up to a Wild Bill's live show?

Wild Bill's: Again, we turn to ol' Wild Bill — "Friends, strangers, vagabonds, obscure appreciators and afficiandos, your tired poor huddled masses ... all walks of life show up to hear these boys play. It is truly a treat."

Observer: So far, how has ND received Wild Bill's?

Wild Bill's: We'd say that most who come to listen to us are pleasantly surprised by what bluegrass actually is. All joking aside, we like to think that bluegrass is at its heart just fun music. It's upbeat and it's lively and it's very accessible. The popularity of the "O Brother Where Art Thou" soundtrack has certainly helped to put the music form on the map as well. The best thing, really, is that it's so flexible. We do Bob Dylan, The Beatles, and The Grateful Dead right alongside with classic folk or fiddle tunes. That definitely helps to get our audiences excited about what we're playing. We have usually been received surprisingly well. As our guitar player Marcel says, "It's all part of our secret plan to get our fellow students out of their rooms with their MP3 playlists and into the world of live music."

Observer: Does Wild Bill have any groupies?

Wild Bill's: Being a Wild Bill's groupie is a calling that few have responded to as of yet. It requires a special attitude, but more importantly, a special wardrobe, including straw hats, flannel shirts, toothpicks and perhaps some missing teeth. In truth, we are indebted to our close friends who, while at times failing the wardrobe test, have been great about supporting us everytime and everywhere we've played. Our bass player Kevin would like to remind the student body that we are, however, an equal opportunity fan-base employer and we are always trying to get the word out about our band to whoever will listen. Those who wish to receive the Wild Bill's email newsletter [this really exists] need only e-mail our banjo player Jared at jmarx@nd.edu.

Observer: Describe your greatest moment as a band.

Wild Bill's: Our greatest moment was getting paid by Student Activities for a show at Senior Bar that we played in January. Oh wait, that still hasn't happened ... But seriously, we were pretty bummed out after Christmas break when our original fiddle player, Nathan, wasn't able to come back to school for the second semester. But we were incredibly lucky to find Jamie, a tremendous musician who had played fiddle since his childhood and majored in music as an undergrad, to take his



Photo courtesy of Liesl Marx

Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade, perhaps Notre Dame's only true bluegrass band, is composed of (left to right) Marcel Lanahan, Jared Marx, Kevin Hansen, Nick Doro and Jamie Klang (not pictured above).

place. That's not really a moment, but it was probably the luckiest thing that's happened to the band.

Observer: Describe the weirdest thing that has ever happened to any of you as a result of being in a band at ND.

Wild Bill's: Well, we once got a big group of kids from Amnesty International to dance in a big circle to Bob Dylan's "Knockin' on Heaven's Door." That's not quite so weird as incredibly fitting, though. Let's see. It sure will be weird when Student Activities actually pays us ...

Observer: What can ND students who have never seen Wild Bill's expect from one of your live shows?

Wild Bill's: They can expect an upbeat, energized mix of traditional and popular music played in true bluegrass style. Fast-paced dancing has been known to break out spontaneously at our shows, including various interpretations of the "electric slide" [at least, that's what it looked like to us] as well as many, let us say, less-choreographed steps. If you like to clap your hands and stomp your feet, we're your band.

Observer: What else does Notre Dame need to know about Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade?

Wild Bill's: Many things we have said here are bold faced lies. We're not lying, however, when we say that we love what we're doing. When all is said and done, we're mostly in all of this to have a good time. We enjoy just practicing and when we play in front of people we just hope that we can share a little bit of the excitement that we find in the music with them. And we might add to any who are still not sure if they want to come out to see us: We do play a damn fine version of the Charlie Daniel's Band's "The Devil Went down to Georgia."

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This article is the first in a series of future collaborations with WVFI. If you would like to have your band featured, please contact the Scene Department at The Observer at scene.1@nd.edu.



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MEN'S LACROSSE

Notre Dame suffers 7-6 setback at Pennsylvania

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame men's lacrosse team suffered its second straight one-goal loss as the Irish dropped a 7-6 decision on the road at Pennsylvania. Sonny Sarker broke a 6-6 deadlock with 4:30 remaining when he tallied the game-winning score which gave the Quakers the victory in their season opener.

Sophomore Dan Berger scored a career-high four goals for the Irish in the contest. Berger netted Notre Dame's first four goals of the game.

Trailing 6-5, freshman Chris Richez's first collegiate goal tied the game with 7:10 left in the contest. Kyle Frigon tallied the other goal for the Irish. Sarker and Scott Solow each had two goals for Pennsylvania in the win.

The Quakers led 5-3 at the half after outscoring the Irish 3-1 in the second quarter. Notre Dame held Pennsylvania scoreless in the third 15-minute stanza as the two teams head into the decisive fourth quarter tied at 5-5.

With the loss, Notre Dame falls to 0-2 on the season. The Irish return to action on Sat., March 9 at home against Rutgers. Face-off is at 1:00 p.m.



RICO CASARES/The Observer

A Notre Dame player makes his way down the field surrounded by Quakers. The Irish fell 7-6 to Pennsylvania this weekend to fall 0-2 on the season.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Irish set pace early for 15-3 win over No. 17 Ohio University

By CHRIS COLEMAN
Sports Writer

Alissa Moser and Lauren Fischer set the tone early for the Irish in Sunday's game against No. 17 Ohio University on the way to a 15-3 victory over the Bulldogs.

Moser, team captain, scored the first goal for Notre Dame in under 30 seconds, then was assisted by Fischer for another point two minutes later. Fischer continued the scoring streak, grabbing the next three Irish goals. The pair scored five of the team's first six goals.

"I was on a roll," said Fischer. "I was just hoping to play well."

Fischer was the leading scorer for the Irish.

The Bulldogs were not able to come back from the initial scoring bombardment as the Irish played stingy defense the whole game.

"The attack was getting possession off the draw, [Ohio] never got it down on our side of the field," said Tracy Coyne, Irish head coach.

The Irish played a more active defense, attacking the ball as soon as it came into their half. Both Kelly

McCardell and Maureen Henwood had steals that led to goals in the early first half.

Goalie Jen White had 10 saves, an interception and some out of goal plays.

"Jen is technically very sound. She reads the play very well," said Coyne.

Ohio threatened to make the game closer in the second half scoring two quick goals. Natalie Loftus led an Irish rebuttal, getting an assist and goal as well as colliding with the keeper.

"We played solid the whole game and we did not want them to come back in it," said

Loftus. "We had to step it up."

The team responded to Loftus' effort and played out the end of the game solidly despite aggression from the frustrated Ohio team.

The Irish dominated the middle of the field for the entire game, forcing the Bulldogs to constantly try to catch up with the faster home team. Danielle Shearer set up three goals, and scored one herself. Angela Dixon and Loftus both had two goals in addition to three each from Moser and Fischer. Ten different people scored for Notre Dame, showing the number of potential weapons this

team has.

"After coming off last weekend at Loyola, it was really one of our goals to be the first to score and to keep it rolling," said Moser. "We needed to come out strong this game and set the tone for the whole season."

The Irish hope to carry this tone into Stanford and Florida during their spring break trip. The Irish will be back at home March 17 against Big East opponent Boston College, which will begin a five game home stand.

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SOFTBALL

Irish split pair of games at Aggie Invitational

By AARON RONSHEIM
Sports Writer

For the third time this season the No. 24 Notre Dame softball team split a pair of games on the opening day of a weekend tournament. The Irish dropped the first game 6-3 to No. 19 Louisiana-Lafayette, but regrouped to defeat Illinois State at the Texas A&M Aggie Invitational over the weekend.

"I think that we are playing some great teams ... but that day, that game, they played better than us," said Deanna Gumpf, Irish head coach.

Against Louisiana-Lafayette, Irish pitcher Steffany Stenglein was not helped by the Irish defense, as two Notre Dame errors allowed the Cajuns to take a quick 3-0 lead. Stenglein was pulled in the second inning after giving up another run on double down the leftfield line by the Cajuns' Summer Lapeyrouse. Right-hander Carrie Wisen went the rest of the way holding the Cajuns to only two runs.

The Irish capitalized on Louisiana-Lafayette's errors to score three unearned runs in the fourth inning for their only scoring.

"We battled back. Unfortunately we had too many mistakes. The mistakes will get you in the end because the team with less mistakes is going to win," said Kas Hoag, team captain.

In their second game, the Irish defense was again solid as

Stenglein rebounded from her poor outing to shut out Illinois State. Stenglein spread five hits over seven innings for her fourth victory of the season.

Both pitchers posted zeros on the scoreboard until Irish All-American center fielder Jenny Kriech started a two-out rally with a triple over the ISU center fielder's head. Freshman right-fielder Megan Ciolli followed with a single up the middle, bringing Kriech home and giving the Irish a 1-0 lead.

"[Megan] really stepped up. All the freshmen have stepped up. I am proud of all of them, and they can only get better," said Gumpf.

The Irish brought some awful weather with them to Texas as both of their games on Saturday were cancelled because of rain and high winds. The Irish were scheduled to play Illinois State again and a rematch of last weekend's 2-1 loss to No. 23 Texas A&M.

"We would have loved to get a second chance against Texas A&M again because I know we could have won. We were pretty positive about the weekend but unfortunately the weather didn't hold off," said Hoag.

"Every weekend we are playing top competition. I think that's something people don't realize. As long we keep improving against these great teams we will be there in the end and that is all I care about," she said.



Junior Andrea Loman prepares to take a swing in a previous Irish game. Notre Dame split its games this weekend with a win over Illinois State and a loss to Louisiana-Lafayette.

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BASEBALL

Strong Irish pitching leads to three wins over weekend

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame baseball team relied upon strong pitching in all four of its games last weekend at the Homestead Classic in Florida, en route to picking up three wins in four tries.

The Irish won their opening game 6-0 against Duquesne Friday night behind the arm of junior right-handed pitcher J.P. Gagne and the hitting of senior catcher Paul O'Toole.

Gagne gave up two hits, struck out six and did not walk a batter in his seven innings of work. Another junior right-hander, Brandon Vilorio, worked scoreless eighth and ninth innings to close out the game.

O'Toole slammed his first home run of the season, a three-run shot in the fourth inning, and added a single as well.

Freshman shortstop Matt Macri made his Notre Dame debut an impressive one by collecting two hits, including a double and an RBI single. Macri had been unable to play in the any of the Irish's previous games this season due to an elbow strain.

On Saturday, the Irish won their first game against Fairfield 6-4 behind another

strong pitching performance, this time by freshman right-hander Chris Niesel. The rookie followed up his 10-strikeout performance against Southern Illinois with nine strikeouts and only one walk against the Stags. He also picked up his first career victory in a Notre Dame uniform. Senior right-hander Matt Buchmeier grabbed his second save of the season by pitching the eighth and ninth innings.

Senior center fielder Steve Stanley paced the Irish with four hits and scored two runs, while Matt Bok went 3-3 and scored one run. Macri started as the designated hitter and had another solid hitting performance by adding a double, driving in two runs and scoring once again.

Macri's classmate, Grant Johnson, got his first career start in the nightcap against Florida International and went 5 1/3 innings allowing only two earned runs and striking out seven to give the Irish the opportunity to win. Unfortunately for Notre Dame, the eighth inning turned into a disaster.

Trailing the Panthers 5-4 in the eighth inning, the Irish allowed eight runs, including seven unearned, before losing 13-4. Notre Dame committed six errors

in the game. Freshman John Axford was given his first career loss after going 2 1/3 innings.

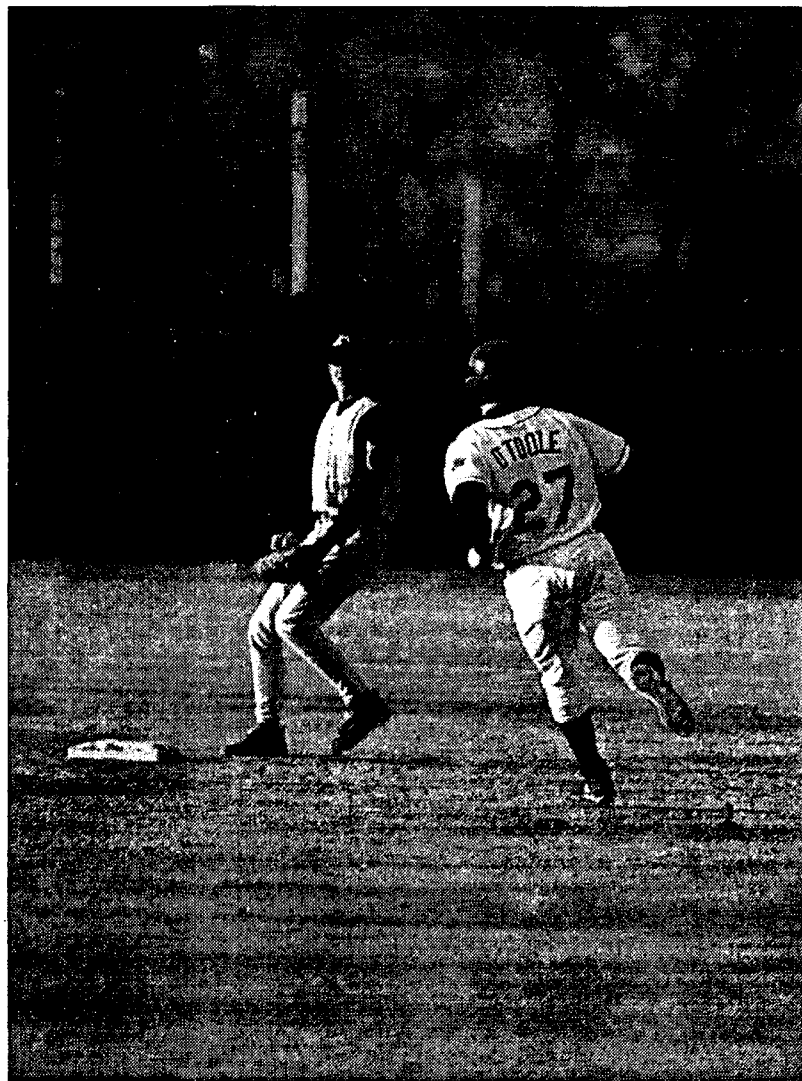
In the weekend finale against Sacred Heart University on Sunday, the Irish were led by their 1-2-3 hitters and an effective pitching performance by Pete Ogilvie, who went five innings, yielding only one run, striking out four and walking only one batter. Stanley had another four-hit game, Bok collected three more hits, and freshman shortstop Matt Edwards added two hits of his own to pace the Irish.

Bok improved his team-leading batting average to .500 (10-20) while Stanley moved into third place in Notre Dame baseball history, passing Alec Porzel, with 280 career hits. Stanley ended the weekend by going 10-18 and improved his batting average to .438.

Senior closer Matt Laird pitched the ninth to record his first save of the season.

The Irish were without several players during the weekend trip, including reigning Big East Player of the Week Andrew Bushey and junior outfielder Brian Stavisky.

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Senior Paul O'Toole heads to the base in a previous Irish baseball game. Notre Dame won three of its four games this weekend.

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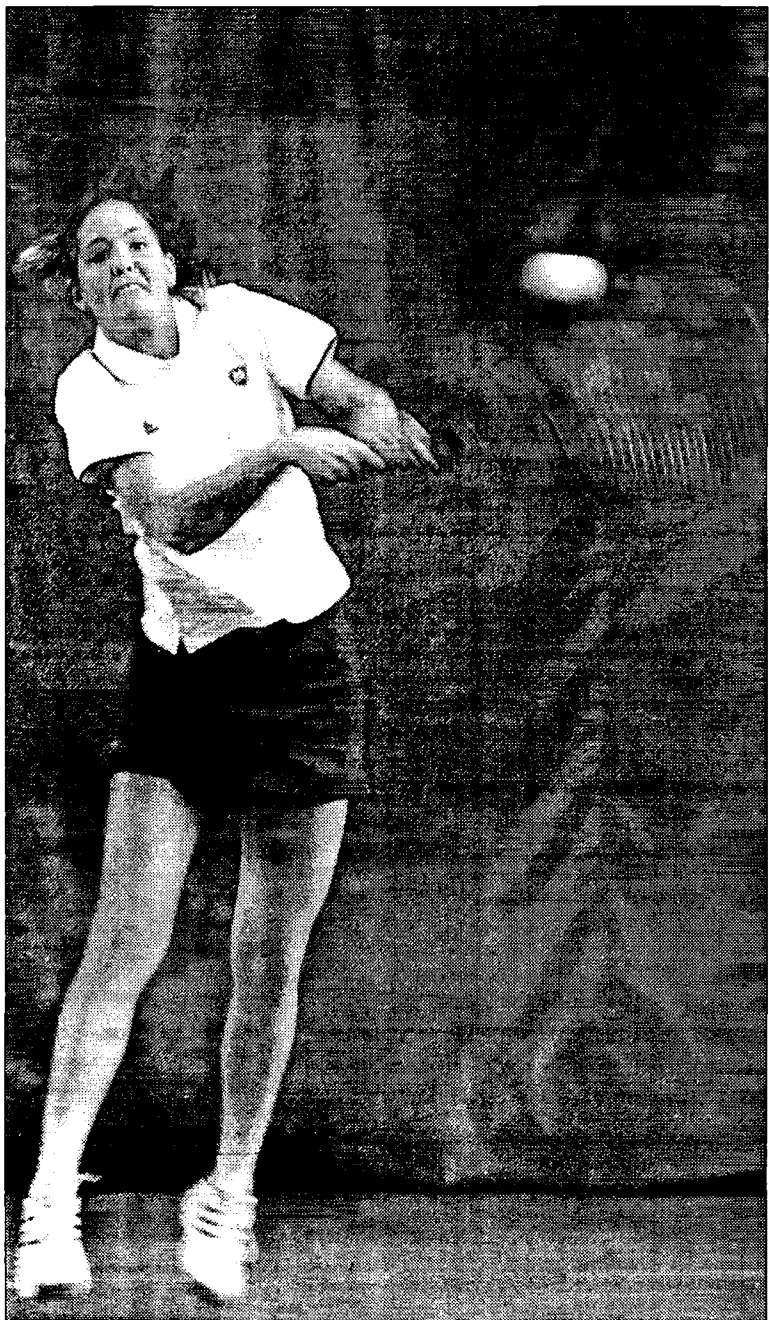
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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish defeat Wisconsin, Ohio State in weekend matches



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Freshman Sarah Jane Connelly, shown above as she returns the ball, earned a 9-8 victory with doubles partner Alicia Salas this weekend.

By COLIN BOYLAN
Sports Writer

The Irish earned a convincing victory against Wisconsin on Friday, beginning by sweeping the doubles matches and going on to sweep the match. They came back against Ohio State on Saturday to win 5-2, pushing their record to 9-5 and their winning streak to season-high five matches.

"I thought the team played fantastic this weekend," said Jay Louderback, head coach. "Obviously it wasn't good to lose the doubles point against Ohio State, but it's a great confidence boost to know we can come back and win a match like that."

Friday's match against the No. 35 Badgers was expected to be a difficult test, but the Irish played strong early on and fought back in several tough singles matches to blank their opponents.

The team opened competition by sweeping the doubles matches with surprising ease. Teammates Lindsey Green and Becky Varnum won their match 8-3 and Katie Cunha and Nina Vaughan clinched the doubles point with an 8-4 victory. Only the third team of Alicia Salas and Sarah Jane Connelly seemed to encounter difficulty, but they too pulled out a 9-8 victory and a doubles sweep.

Things got interesting when Wisconsin forged a strong comeback in singles and several Irish players struggled early in their matches. Both Vaughan and Salas dropped their first sets by the score of 1-6, as both players seemed plagued by unforced errors. Meanwhile, Varnum was embroiled in a close first set battle with No. 71 Vanessa Rauh.

Fortunately for the Irish,

Green turned in a strong singles performance with a 6-2, 6-4 victory over Shana McElroy to give the Irish a 2-0 lead and some breathing room.

Varnum eventually won the first set and then rolled over Rauh in the second for a 7-5, 6-1 victory and Connelly quickly followed with a 7-5, 6-2 victory that clinched the match.

The Irish were far from done, however, as Salas and Vaughan both turned their games around and earned tough three set victories, and Cunha added a three set win of her own to seal the shutout.

"I was really happy with the way we fought back to win those three setters,"

said Louderback.

Against the Buckeyes Saturday, it initially appeared as if the team's momentum had not carried over into that match. The top two doubles teams struggled to losses and only the third team of Salas and Connelly played strong enough to earn a win.

Down 1-0, the Irish were in the unfavorable position of having to come back from a doubles loss for the first time all season. However, Green continued her strong play with a 6-2, 6-0 win and both Vaughan and Cunha pounded their opponents by scores of 6-3, 6-2.

Vaughan's win was particularly impressive, coming against Erica Fisk, who was No. 49 in the nation entering the weekend.

Once again, Connelly was there to clinch the victory with a 6-3, 6-4 win, her second clinch of the weekend.

"Yeah, it's really nice to clinch the match," said Connelly, "but it takes a whole team to play well, so I don't think that my win is more important than anyone else's."

The win improved the Irish to 9-5, a stark contrast from a couple of weeks ago when the team was struggling at 4-5. Louderback credits the 5-2 win against Iowa two weeks ago for the team's improved play.

"I think the Iowa match was a turning point for our season," said Louderback.

"It was a big one for us because all of our seniors stepped up their games when we needed them to. Since then, we've played very well as a team."

The Irish now face a difficult road test as six of their next seven matches will be played away from the Eck Center. The road trip will include difficult matches against North Carolina, Duke and Wake Forest. Louderback, however, is trying not to focus too much on that fact. "It's big for us because we will be playing outdoors for week, but I don't worry too much about six of seven on the road," he said.

Instead, the team will focus on improving their doubles play, an issue that has concerned Louderback all year. Recently, he shifted the doubles line-up and re-paired certain players with one another. So far, the results have been reasonably successful.

Namely, the new tandem of Salas and Connelly has been rock solid to date. The team has been 6-1 since their pairing and chemistry has been good.

"The switch was definitely best for the team," said Connelly. "The No. 2 team [of Cunha and Vaughan] has a lot more experience playing college tennis and Alicia's playing style is similar to mine."

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WOMEN'S GOLF

Irish 14th following
first round of Classics

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The Notre Dame women's golf team battled cold and high winds on the way to a 352 total after one round of the Tulane Green Wave Golf Classic at the par 73, 6,008-yard Lakewood Country Club.

The second round of play was cancelled due to poor weather conditions. The final 18 holes will be played on Tuesday beginning at 9:00 a.m. with a shotgun start.

The 352 total left the Irish 44 strokes behind Tulane University. Playing on their home course, the Green Wave turned in a 26-over par 308 on the way to the tournament's first round lead. The Green Wave will take a 10-stroke lead over Campbell University into Tuesday's final round. Mississippi State was third with a 319 and was followed by the University of Memphis with a 321 in fourth and Central Florida with a 323 in fifth.

Individually, Tulane's Alexis Wooster and Alabama-Birmingham's Heather Lourie each fired one-over par 74's to tie for the first round lead. Anna Knutson of Mississippi State and Carolin Landmann of Tulane were one stroke behind with two-over 75's.

Notre Dame's top golfer was senior Kristin McMurtrie who shot a seven-over par 80. McMurtrie is entered in the tournament as an individual entrant.

Sophomore Rebecca Rogers was the team's top scoring golfer as she tied for 43rd with an 85, 11 strokes behind the tournament leader.

Shannon Byrne was tied for 57th with an 88. Terri Taibl was tied for 62nd with an 89 and freshman Casey Rotella had a 90. Karen Lotta Notre Dame's top golfer this season, was disqualified in the first round.

Senior Lauren Fuchs also playing as an individual entrant, joined Taibl in a tie for 62nd with an 89.

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MEN'S TENNIS

Irish make transition to outside play with tournament

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

After its first outdoor tournament play since last fall, the Notre Dame men's tennis team is confident about making the transition to the upcoming outdoor season.

The Irish participated in the 113th annual Pacific Coast Doubles tournament over the weekend, which was held at the LaJolla Beach and Tennis Club. Since the tournament is open to professional, amateur and collegiate athletes it is not officially sanctioned by the NCAA. While it counts towards a playing date, it does not count toward official standings. There are no team scores since it is an individual doubles tournament.

Boasting Don Budge, John McEnroe and Jack Kramer as previous winners, the Pacific Coasts Doubles continues to attract elite competition.

"We go for two reasons. One, the competition is exceptionally good. Secondly, it is our transition to outdoor play," said head coach Bobby Bayliss.

Top-ranked teams such as Stanford, University of Southern California, University of California at Los Angeles and Pepperdine competed.

Since South Bend weather prevents the Irish from practicing outside and NCAA rules prevent teams from traveling to warmer areas in order to practice, Bayliss likes to have his team compete in this tournament every year in hopes that the outdoor experience will help the Irish prepare for the approaching outdoor season.

"We are able to go there and play outside, and if we don't make that transition very well, it really doesn't cost us anything," Bayliss said.

It is not an easy transition from the indoor season to the outdoor season.

"Indoors you're in a relative vacuum, so the ball sounds bigger. It's very easy

to hear the sound of the ball. By listening to the sound you can pretty much tell how well it's hit and how hard it's hit, and [the ball's] trajectory stays the same because there's no wind," Bayliss said.

"Outdoors all that changes," he said. "Most indoor teams have a really hard time when they first go outdoors. ... I think we can be better outdoors. We have to make the transition though."

The Notre Dame doubles team of Brent D'Amico and Aaron Talarico was the most successful of Irish pairs participating. They lost to Scott Lipsky and David Martin of Stanford, one of the top doubles teams in the nation.

"Our guys played awfully well," Bayliss said. "Over the weekend, I was really happy [with the transition]."

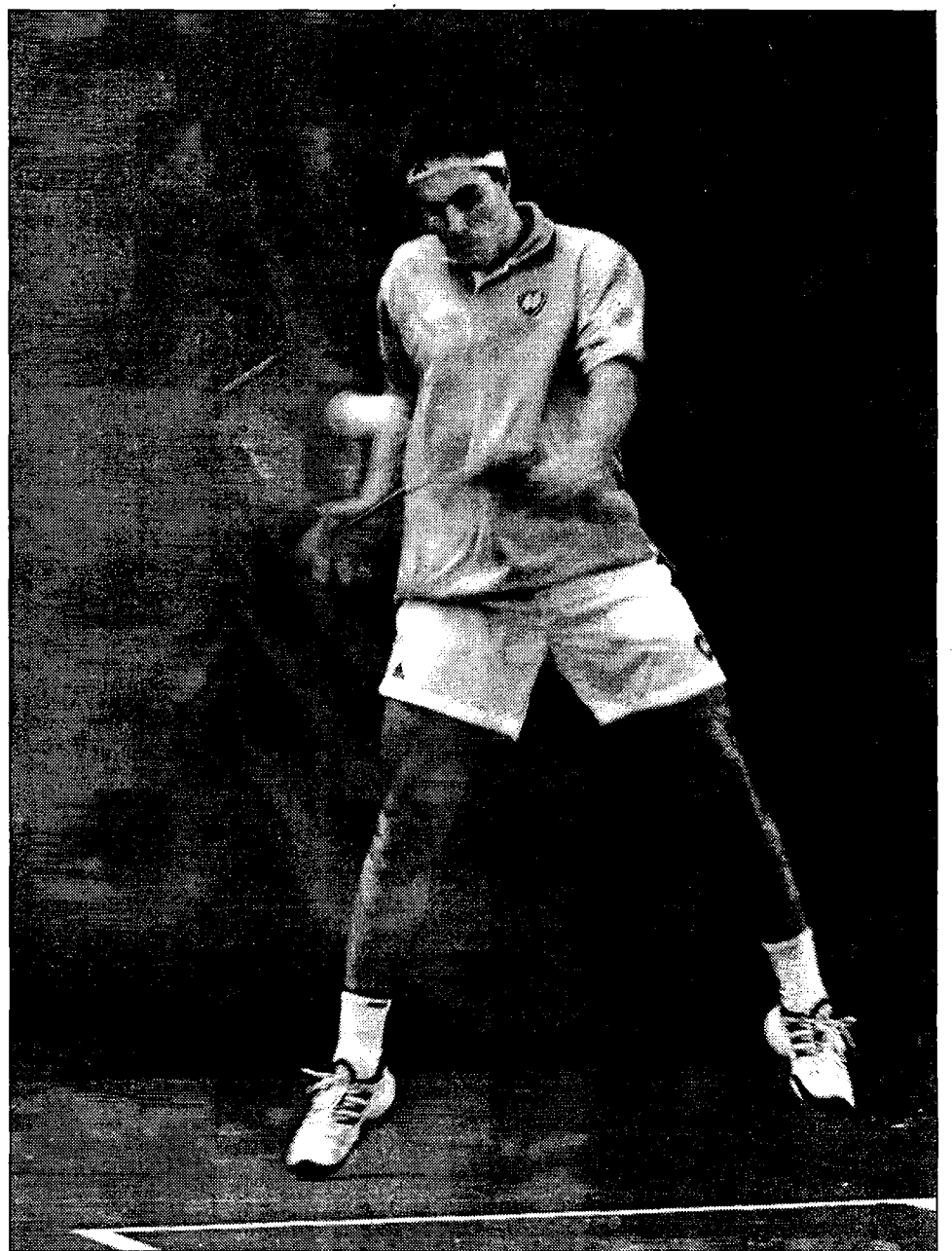
"I think everyone got some good practices. We could have done a little better in some areas, but overall, going outdoors after being in doors for so long, it was a good transition," D'Amico said.

The Irish duo of Javier Taborga and Casey Smith, ranked seventh nationally, did not participate in this tournament because the NCAA limits the number of playing dates to 25, and Bayliss would rather have them compete in tournaments that count toward official records and standings in the Notre Dame's effort to win the Big East and to advance to the regional and national championships.

Andrew Laflin and Matt Scott advanced to the second round, where they lost to Sebastian Graff and Stefan Suter of Pepperdine. The duos of Matt Horsley and Billy Pate and Brian Farrell and Luis Haddock lost in the first round.

The Irish will next compete indoors at Illinois on Thursday.

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An Irish player returns the ball in a match earlier this season. Notre Dame participated in the 113th annual Pacific Coast Doubles Tournament this past weekend.

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championships. The team — consisting of Liz Grow, Ayesha Boyd, Dodd, and Kymia Love — is ranked in the top five in the nation.

"The women's mile relay was a great race. That puts them solidly in the NCAA's and pretty high up in the country," said Piane.

"I didn't think we would break any records. Honestly, I didn't think we would run any faster, we would just maintain our spot. Then when I heard our time, it was almost fake. It was just awesome," said Grow.

Grow raced for the final time on Mevo Track and ended just where she wanted to be: on top. Grow set school records and personal records in the mile relay and the 400-meter dash en route to two first place finishes on the weekend. Going into nationals, she is currently ranked seventh in the country.

"I was definitely very excited. I feel really good going into nationals. I'm just going to go out there and run as fast as I can and make it into the finals," said Grow.

Boyd had a melodramatic end to her indoor season before nationals. Her 200-meter time of 24.00 seconds puts her at No. 17 in the nation. She wanted to run better this weekend, but she stumbled on the turn and lost a few precious hundredths of a second. Like the DMR, it is up to the NCAA officials to determine whether or not she makes it to nationals.

If all goes well, the women will send two relay teams and three runners to nationals.

"On the women's side I think we're going to be pretty solid in having Liz [Grow] in the 400, two relay teams, Tameisha King in the long jump and possibly Ayesha Boyd in the 200," said Piane.

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CLUB SPORTS

Irish figure skating places 7th in U.S. Championships

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame figure skating club skated a strong program with excellent presentation to place seventh in the 2002 U.S. Synchronized Team Skating Championships at Lake Placid, N.Y.

With a backdrop of Sarah Hughes, Michelle Kwan, Jaime Sale and women's figure skating receiving so much sports coverage in recent weeks, the timing was right for the Irish to receive well-deserved attention. Traditional power Miami Ohio won the competition, even as one judge placed the Irish ahead of the Redhawks.

Skating to a Latin-themed program, the Irish finished ahead of many experienced clubs and even several varsity programs. Teams from the Big 10 (Michigan State, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin) to the Ivy

League (Princeton, Columbia), from Big East Syracuse to perennial powers such as Delaware and New Hampshire competed, yet the Irish, skating what was described as the "program of a lifetime" still were able to place in the upper tier of the nationals.

Men's Volleyball

The men's volleyball club split six decisions this weekend, including two matches with top-four nationally ranked teams.

The Irish opened 2-1 in pool play, losing to Lees-McCrae 25-21, 26-24 and defeating Baldwin Wallace 25-21, 24-26, 15-12. The highlight of the tournament was the victory over No. 4 Illinois 25-20, 20-25, 25-11.

Rob Smith, Dan Parziale and Mike Giampa provided consistent play from middle hitter while Mark Overmann's defen-

sive play at libero anchored the club. In a playoff game for seeding, the Irish defeated Ohio to advance to the gold bracket. Jim Lowder, Brian Price, Adam Schreier and Brian Michalek were strong on attack all weekend and led the Irish over the Bobcats 15-7.

In the challenge round, losses to Toledo, 25-17, 25-23 and Indiana, 25-20, 25-17 dropped the Irish to a ninth place finish in the 27-team field. The Irish held the lead most of the first game against the third-ranked Hoosiers, before a powerful arsenal of jump serves knocked the Irish out of the tournament bracket.

Equestrian

Several equestrians had exceptional performances this weekend at the Illinois Wesleyan Show.

Callie Willis placed first in both novice flat and novice

fences to earn Reserve High Point Rider honors. Molly Kopacz again was a standout for the Irish as she placed second in intermediate fences. Also garnering points for the Irish were Sabrina Badger and Quin Swiney.

Sailing

While the campus was subjected to snow, ice and continued cold weather, the sailing club was competing in the Eckerd College Intersectional Regatta in Florida.

Competing in a strong field against teams that practice year round, the Irish placed seventh as host Eckerd won the event followed closely by Rollins.

The Irish were bunched with Florida State, Florida, Tulane and South Florida, with North Carolina State trailing the rest of the field. The Irish were crewed by Jack Gaither and

Mike Stephens in the A division, and Matt Cassidy and Meghann Finerghy in the B division.

Ultimate

Injuries and illness prevented a depleted ultimate club women's squad from advancing in the Rocky VII tournament in Philadelphia this weekend.

After opening with dominating wins over Maryland, 13-1, and Rutgers, 12-2, the Irish dropped a pair of games to Yale, 12-5, and top seeded Bucknell, 11-3. A knee injury didn't leave enough women to field a team, so the Irish withdrew from competition.

Highlights of the abbreviated weekend were Karen Chu's deep cuts and Meredith Sheperd's layout catches. The Irish also attacked well against the zone defenses that had proven troublesome before this weekend.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Some thoughts before we go mad

Unseasonably warm weather leaving town like a boxer running from Mike Tyson. Convincing yourself "studying" for midterms isn't really "trying to read everything for the first time."

Finding out Notre Dame hadn't won 20 games in the regular season since 1988-89.

None of this could spoil the month of college basketball that is now upon us, or what I like to call "The Happy Happy Joy Joy Time of Year." Yes, I am seeking professional help. But this month of madness always tends to bring out the best in us.

For starters, you can scratch Digger Phelps' late '80's team from that distinction and replace it with Mike Brey's bunch, who picked up regular-season win No. 20 Saturday against Providence.

Throw in the three-game skid of Syracuse to finish the season, and the Irish finished second in the Oxymoron Division (Big East West, as opposed to the "Is There an Echo in Here?" Division, the Big East East).

Now, back in the pre-conference tournament days, that didn't mean a whole lot. But as long as Notre Dame has to play in a Big East Tournament, and since the folks at Conagra Foods want to sponsor something, Brey's Bunch might as well take that first-round bye.

Besides, I'm all for anything that takes the Orange's 2-0 record against the Irish and makes it less meaningful than trying to figure out which of a possible three teams is the real Big East champion.

Granted, the Irish don't have an exactly sterling record in Big East Tournament play, so winning games, and not first-round byes, should be their biggest concern right now.

They'll get the winner of the

Seton Hall/St. John's game in the quarterfinals. Playing the Red Storm at Madison Square Garden would be a tall order for the Irish and, despite their 2-0 record against the Pirates, swashbuckling Seton Hall wouldn't be much easier.

But here's the funny thing about the conference tournament: what does it mean, again, exactly? If you're a team like Providence, the sixth seed out of the "Is There an Echo in Here?" and you can win four games in four nights, you'll get an NCAA Tournament bid.

And while you're pulling off that magic act, try to convince the PAC-10 and Mountain West to stop complaining about the East Coast bias, would ya?

Beyond that, it's a no man's land of hoops, predominantly featuring teams already in the NCAA tournament and encompassing four days that no one will remember as soon as it ends.

The two things that save these conference tournaments are the fact that they feature college basketball, and that basketball is played in March.

The only playoff that does matter gets underway next week with the 64 teams that make it through selection Sunday and onto the court on Thursday. I'm sorry, but team No. 65, the loser of the "play-in" game, we have no record of you actually being there.

In the NCAA Tournament, it's win six straight games played over the course of three weeks, go home national champions. Lose, just go home.

This is all anyone cares about. These are the brackets Brey has hanging up in his office all season long.

Whether you're Davidson, whose already in as the Southern Conference Champion, or Duke, who I'll go out on a limb and guess will be there, the task remains the same: win six.

Once you're there, no coaches or sports writers can tell you whether or not you get to play for the national title. Win six, and you can ask them to help you make room in your trophy case.

No, the best team doesn't always win (Kansas, we're look-

ing in your direction), but that's why it's called "madness" and not the "NBA Playoffs".

So, of course, Notre Dame wants to go to New York City, win three games, pick up another trophy and some claim to a conference championship for its own sake.

But the bigger goals, sometimes spoken and sometimes not, are to build momentum and

improve their seeding for the big dog of all tournaments.

As Kenny Zeigler of Furman, the team that lost to Davidson in the conference championship, said on ESPN.com: "It's March Madness. Anything can happen."

And the Irish can be pretty much assured they'll have a shot to make that anything happen, regardless of what happens on Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

Of course, it will do the Irish no favors if they have a hard time focusing on this week's preliminaries.

But it would be understandable.

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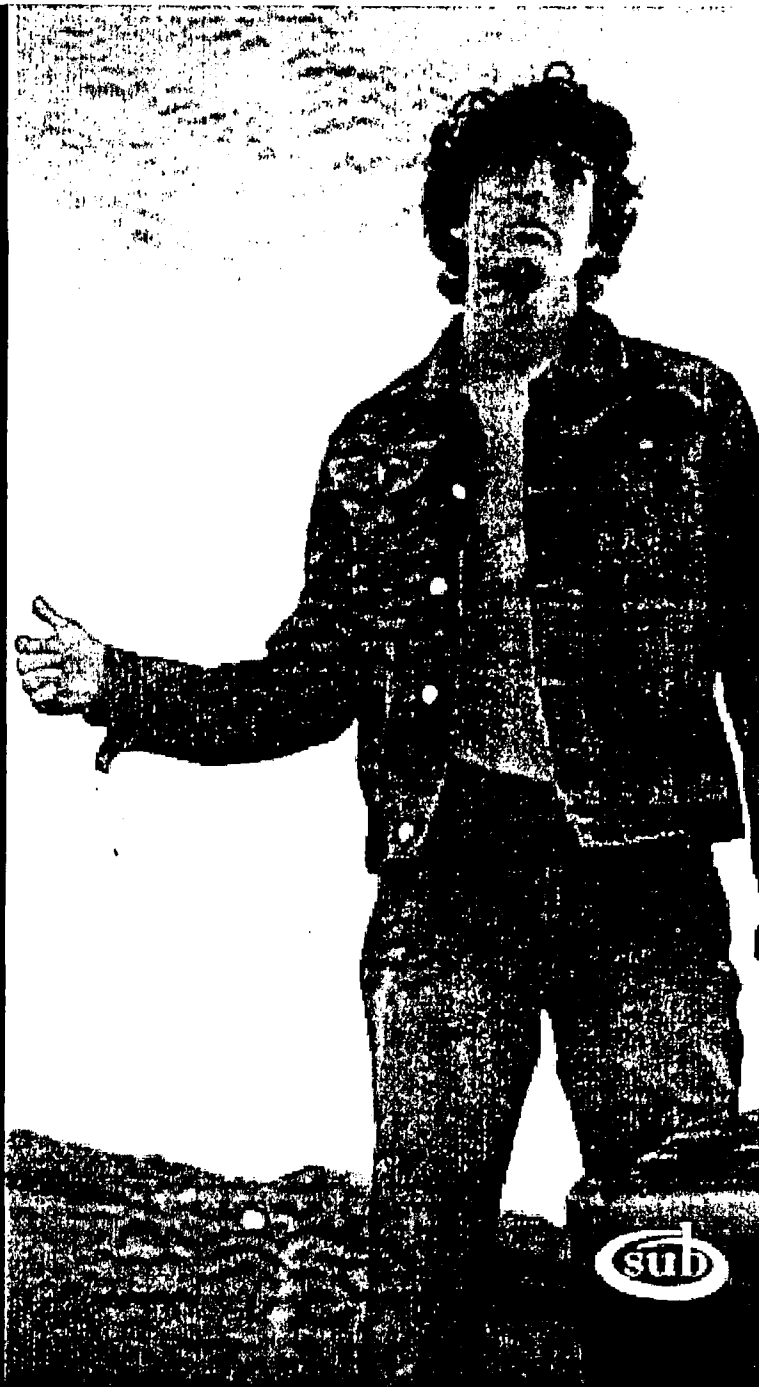
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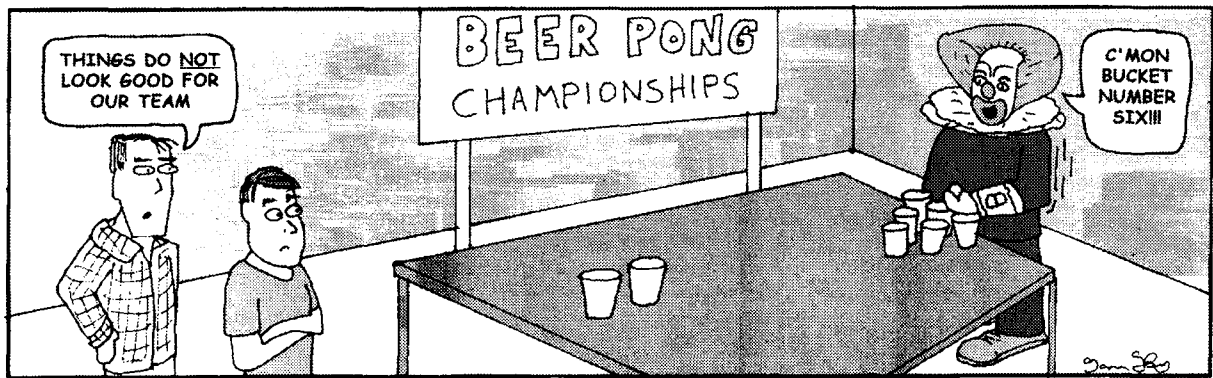
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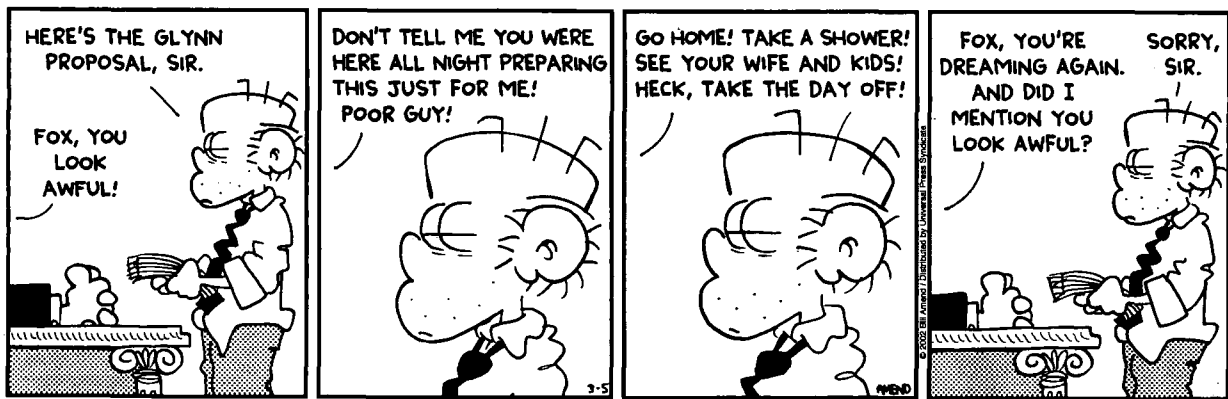
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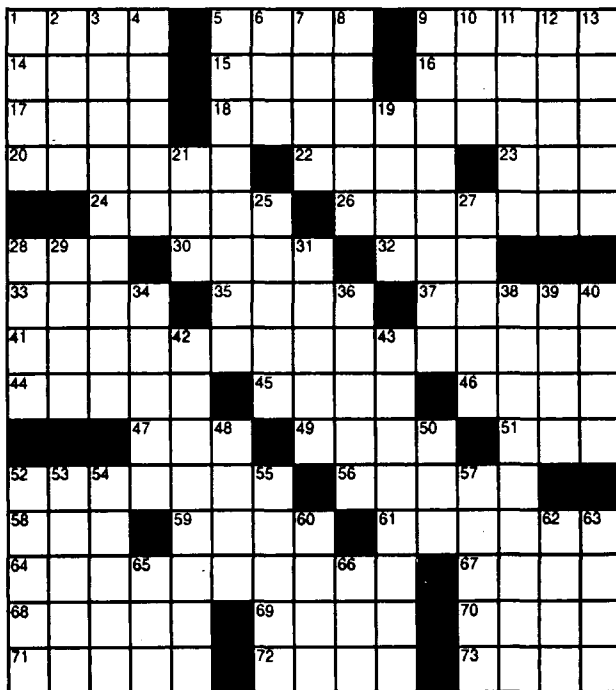
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GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You will be able to deal with emotional matters that have been bothering you for some time. Your eloquent way of putting things will help smooth out any problem areas that you may have faced in the past.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will be able to make headway where your career and moneymaking skills are concerned. Push to get the position you want today. Your talents will be recognized.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll come up with all sorts of brilliant ideas that will enable you to further your creative projects. You

Birthday Baby: You have the ability to visualize and create all sorts of things at a very early age. You are levelheaded, loyal and responsible. You will always want to be doing something worthwhile.

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should be sure to make time for social events.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Difficulties at home may lead you out the door today. Don't let someone push you or pick an argument with you. Stay cool and refuse to let anyone or anything get to you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get out and talk to as many people as possible and you'll discover that you really do have a lot to offer. You can be proud of your accomplishments today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take care of any personal paperwork that has been neglected. You need to tidy up your own matters before you can tend to someone else's. You may want to check out a tax haven that you have heard about.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take the initiative and do something to counteract any of the ongoing problems that have been bugging you. If someone isn't treating you properly, stop putting up with it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Work behind the scenes in order to push ahead. The more you do without others being aware of your ideas the more of an impact you will make.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You'll be dedicated, loyal and ready to take a leadership position. You will have plenty of opportunities to get others to listen to you. Don't let anyone hold you back or stand in your way.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't take what others say to heart today. It probably isn't your fault. You just happen to be in the wrong place at the wrong time today. Avoid emotional encounters.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Graves, Humphrey, Thomas named All-Big East

By ANDREW SOUKUP
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Three Notre Dame basketball players earned spots on the All-Big East team, but all insist the focus of the Big East Tournament is on how the team does, not their individual accolades.

Senior forward Ryan Humphrey was one of seven players named to the



Graves

All-Big East first team. Freshman point guard Chris Thomas joined him on the squad as a third-team selection and senior guard David Graves earned honorable mention recognition.

"It's great and all, but I'm just glad three guys got the honor," Humphrey said. "It really shows the strength of our program right now."

Humphrey averaged 18.9



Humphrey

points per game and a league-leading 10.6 rebounds per game. He recorded 18 double-doubles in 27 games.

Thomas, who was also named to the Big East All-Rookie team, is averaging 16 points per game. He joined Connecticut's Emeka Okafor and Providence's Ryan Gomes as the only unanimous selections to the rookie squad.



Thomas

"[Thomas] has gotten a lot of respect from the players and the coaches in the league," Brey said.

Thomas, Okafor and Gomes are considered the leading candidates for Big East Rookie of the Year, which will be announced at a banquet tonight.

Graves, who has played the most games in Notre Dame history, is averaging 14.9 points per game. He has also recorded 49 steals this season.

"It's a nice honor that some guys think I'm good enough to be on the All-Big East team," Graves said. "But my focus was for us to win games, and we've done that. We're poised

and ready to go."

The seven players named to the All-Big East first team were Boston College's Troy Bell, Connecticut's Caron Butler, Georgetown's Mike Sweetney, Pittsburgh's Brandin Knight, St. John's Marcus Hatten, Syracuse's Preston Shumpert and Humphrey. The Big East Player of the Year will also be announced tonight.

The Irish play the winner of Wednesday's St. John's-Seton Hall game. Game time is 9 p.m. Thursday.

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WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Irish set records at Alex Wilson Invitational

◆ Women's team awaits NCAA qualifying decision

By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

The women's distance medley team accomplished all they could in trying to qualify for the NCAA championships this weekend.

The relay team — consisting of Kristen Dodd, Megan Johnson, Lauren King, and Jen Handley — finished in first place at the Alex Wilson Invitational last Friday. In doing so, they ran a season best 11 minutes, 26.92 seconds, placing them 15th in the nation.

Each year the NCAA determines how many teams will qualify for nationals in any given event. The relay team's ranking of 15th in the nation puts the Irish on the bubble. Now, all they can do is wait for the NCAA to make a decision Monday on whether or not they will qualify.

"I think everyone put together what they had

on that day. The provisional time is what we were looking for, and we got it. Now we're just going to have to wait and see how we compare with the other teams in the country," said King, who runs the anchor leg of the relay.

King also ran a personal best in the mile last weekend. Her second place time of 4:44.60 qualifies her for nationals, although she may not be running in it if the distance medley team qualifies.

"[King] qualified in the mile, but probably wouldn't run it. She'll probably just run the [distance medley]," said head coach Joe Piane.

Megan Johnson and Jen Handley qualified in the distance relay, while Kristen Dodd also qualified in the mile relay.

The mile relay team continued their success this weekend, breaking all kinds of records. Their time of 3:36.84 is a track record, meet record, and school record by over 1.5 seconds set by the same four girls. It also moves them up in the rankings for next weekend's NCAA

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Liz Grow runs her portion of the mile-relay. The team broke the track record, meet record and school record in this weekend's meet as well as being ranked in the top five in the nation.

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