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Spring Vis kicks off with multicultural events

♦ Models to strut the latest fashions at the Black Cultural Arts Council fashion show

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Senior Staff Writer

Though Saturday night's 25th annual Black Cultural Arts Council Fashion Show may be sponsored by a campus minority organization, coordinators want to make one thing clear: everyone is invited.

"It's open to everyone. It's not an all-black thing," said coordinator Andrea de Vries. "The models are white, Asian, Hispanic, Black. It's a very inclusive event."

Unlike years past, the coordinators wanted to bring a tighter focus to this year's show. Uniting the scenes together with one common thread was a challenge de Vries gladly took on with fellow organizer Margaret Mason.

"This year is a fashion show and play. The basic premise is six couples and 12 singles, and they interact with each other through many scenes," de Vries said. "At the end of the night, five couples break up and one couple gets married."

The two came up with the name "I See You, I Want You, I'm Yours," meant to emphasize the love and romance storyline.

Twenty models are participating in this year's show at the Century Center. In addition to BCAC members, representatives from student government and various athletic teams will be strutting their stuff down the runway.

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Photo courtesy of Mariachi ND

Mariachi ND, pictured here from a previous Latin Expressions, will be performing in this weekend's cultural production. The production includes traditional and contemporary cultural dances.

♦ Latin Expressions educates, entertains through music, dance and culture

By MAUREEN SMITHE
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Showcasing a wide variety of Latin music, dance and culture, Latin Expressions kicks off tonight at Saint Mary's O'Laughlin Auditorium.

Acts ranging from traditional Mexican folk dances to student renditions of favorite Latino pop songs and choreographed dance numbers will keep the show tightly focused on Latino culture. Titled "Noche de Ritmo Latino," the event aims to educate and entertain.

"We recognize that there are lots of talented people on campus, and they should be allowed to showcase their talent but this year we wanted to focus more on the cultural aspect — we wanted the show to be more culturally driven than in year's past," Garza said.

More than 50 people are involved in this year's production, most of who are involved in the opening act, choreographed by students Mercedes Boyd and Yan Ortiz.

"The committee thought that Latin Expressions should be about expressing your 'Latin' talents. Anyone could audition for the show, but we felt that a big part of the act had to be influenced in some way by the Latino culture," Garza said.

Latin Expressions is La Alianza's biggest event of the year.

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FAMILIES FUED AT RECKERS



KYLIE CARTER/The Observer

The competition was fierce Thursday night at Reckers as various halls competed against one another in Welsh Family Hall's annual event, the Welsh Family Fued.

Notre Dame investigates purchasing hospital land

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
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University officials are considering the possibility of purchasing the land that will be vacated by St. Joseph Regional Medical Center when it moves to a new Mishawaka location in 2006.

If the University purchases the land it would then assume a leadership role in assuring that the land was redeveloped, minimizing the impact of the hospital's departure on the community.

Hospital officials announced plans Wednesday to build a new health care campus in the Edison Lakes Corporate Park area on North Main Street in Mishawaka, east of the intersection of Douglas Road and Grape Road. When the new facility is opened, the Medical Center will occupy only a small portion of its current nine buildings on the 35-acre site on LaSalle Avenue, approximately one mile south of Notre Dame's campus.

According to Lou Nanni, vice

president for Public Affairs and Communications, the hospital approached Notre Dame several weeks ago when it decided to vacate its current site to gauge the University's interest in assuming a leadership role in the future of the land.

"The hospital's departure has a very significant impact to the neighborhood and the City of South Bend. When the hospital approached us, our first inclination was to say we are not in a situation where land is scarce; we have areas where we can grow here. However, we cannot afford to have another [abandoned area of town like the] Studebaker corridor and we agreed to become a lead agent in the process," said Nanni.

If the University were to acquire the land, it would probably not be used for resources that students would use on a daily basis.

"We are not going to destroy the residential and pedestrian nature of our campus. In my wildest

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INSIDE COLUMN

Welcome to the family

I remember four years ago, when I was a senior in high school, looking for which college I wanted to attend. I had priorities. I'd gone to public school my whole life. Now I wanted to go to a Catholic school. I mentioned this to my fellow parishioners at St. Brigid Parish and someone suggested, "Why don't you go to Notre Dame?" Then, all I knew about Notre Dame was it had a famous football team (they showed us Rudy at school). So I, in my innocent ignorance, said, "It's not Catholic."



Angela Campos

Ok, ok – you have permission to royally chew me out for that. (Blasphemy! Scandal!) But at the time, I didn't know any better.

Lab Tech

I looked into Notre Dame. It wasn't my first choice. I'm an anthropology major now, but I originally intended international relations. I was looking for good IR programs at Catholic universities, and I listed Notre Dame because it was Catholic. I had my heart set on Georgetown.

I applied here. I received a letter in December saying I'd been accepted into Notre Dame. I was glad I got in, but I still wanted Georgetown – they'd sent me a letter saying they had deferred my application. I received a letter later from Georgetown advising me I'd been wait-listed. I visited Georgetown in February and I visited Notre Dame in March, for Spring Visitation Weekend. It was in those two visits that my whole perspective changed.

At each college, I stayed for an extended period: a week at Georgetown and four days at Notre Dame. In that time, I got to walk around the campus, eat in the cafeteria (GT/ dining hall (ND), sight see, and talk to students. Well, I talked to students who would talk with me. In the week I stayed at Georgetown, I felt it was a very cold place, not referring to the weather. The students there wouldn't look you in the eye, walked quickly and quietly, and refused to answer 'hello' or 'how are you?' I felt more and more uncomfortable the longer I stayed there.

My Notre Dame experience started off just as rocky as my entire Georgetown experience. I saw my hostess only three times in the four days I was here: when she picked me up from LaFortune, in one of her classes on Friday and when she was roaring-drunk at a party. If that'd been my only experience at Notre Dame, I'd have gone to a community college for a year or two.

But that wasn't all I saw of Notre Dame. I was a pre-frosh, stranded at night in LaFortune. In walks SafeWalk. They talked to me, asked where I was going, if I'd gone to the Grotto yet. They walked me to the Grotto and gave me a mini tour along the way. They waited while I prayed and then walked me to Pangborn by way of Saint Mary's Lake, all the while showing me Notre Dame.

That's what helped me decide to come here. I found people go out of their way to be friendly or helpful. They smile and ask how you're doing. They'll walk you home or invite you to dinner. The people here are a community – a family.

To all you prospectives, talk to as many people as you can. Ask questions. Have people take you to their favorite places on campus. Get to know the people. They will share your joys and sorrows. They will be your family when you come here. Welcome to the family.

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S HISTORY

Two bomb scares threaten ND students

Friday, April 2, 1976

Early Thursday afternoon classes in the College of Business were suspended while Notre Dame security and officials of the college made an extensive search for a bomb believed to be hidden somewhere in the business complex. Lewis Hall was also threatened by a similar, but unrelated, bomb scare early Thursday morning.

Saint Mary's elects new BOG President

Tuesday, March 30, 1976

The ticket of Mary Lou Bilek won student body president, while 27.9 percent of the campus abstained and 14.1 percent said no to the sole ticket running. Students anonymously posted signs around campus advising others not to vote because only one ticket was running.

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Student may be trapped in Bethlehem hotel

MADISON, Wis.

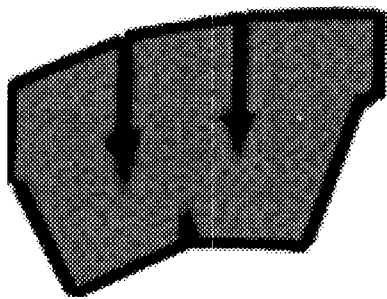
As of the last contact University of Wisconsin-Madison senior Tara McKinney had with her family, she was stranded in Bethlehem's Star Hotel, roughly 500 meters from Manger Square where Palestinian gunmen are currently surrounded by Israeli troops.

McKinney is part of a study abroad program in Brussels, Belgium, and was visiting Israel. Study abroad officials do not have information on her whereabouts according to Josh McPhail, McKinney's nephew and a UW-Madison senior.

"They don't have a clue," McPhail said.

He added that McKinney's mother is actively searching for her daughter.

"She called Sen. [Russ] Feingold [D-Wis.] and her other representatives



and they went to work on [helping her out of Bethlehem], so it wasn't anything through the university," he said.

A representative from UW-Madison's study abroad office was unable to confirm whether McKinney is with their program or if they are aware she is in Israel.

In the intense fighting between

Palestinians and the Israeli army that overtook the town as part of Israel's response to recent suicide bombings,

Bethlehem and other West Bank cities have been declared closed military areas.

Continued tensions and attempts to evacuate foreigners pinned in the Star Hotel make determining the status of any individual difficult.

McPhail said McKinney was most likely drawn to the region because of the ongoing strife and not surprised by the situation.

"She is studying for journalism or photojournalism. ... She was definitely there because of the conflict," he said.

Among the other foreigners trapped in the hotel are a group of international peace activists with whom McKinney may have been traveling.

The Daily Cardinal

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Campus urges sexual orientation policy

SWARTHMORE, Pa.

In the first attempt by a higher education institution to influence corporate social policies since the anti-apartheid divestiture of the 1980s, Swarthmore College is using its shareholder status to press defense giant Lockheed Martin to bar employee discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. The college will introduce a stockholder resolution at the annual meeting April 25 asking for a change in the company's equal opportunity employment policy, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, gender, religion and other categories, but not sexual orientation. Largely student-initiated, the proposal emerged from Swarthmore's four-year-old Committee for Socially Responsible Investing (CSRI). Morgan Simon, a student member of the committee, helped lead the initiative and will fly to San Diego to present the college's proposal. National press coverage of the action has caught the attention of Lockheed Martin officials, who will meet with the Swarthmore representatives on Thursday.

Swarthmore Phoenix

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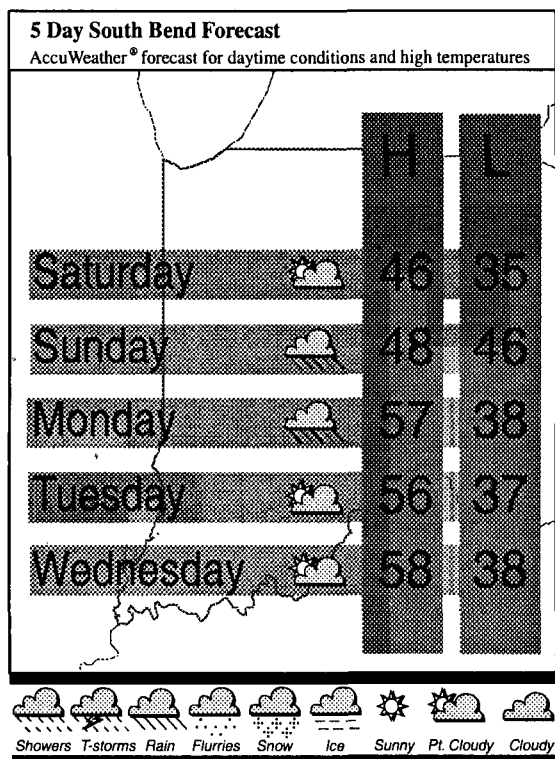
Feds stop campus researchers

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

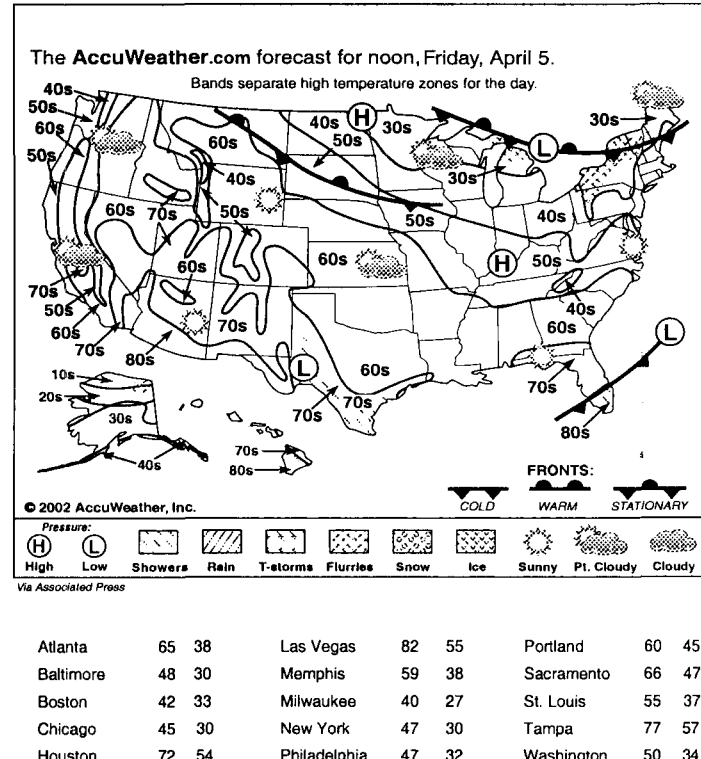
Fifteen studies run by Harvard University researchers in rural China failed to inform subjects about risks they took by participating in the research, a federal investigation concluded last week. The investigation found no evidence that subjects were physically harmed by defects in the studies, which were conducted beginning in the late 1990s and most of which sought genetic and environmental causes for ailments ranging from obesity to schizophrenia. But the government cited numerous failings by the researchers to disclose key information about their studies to participants. When one researcher signed up participants for several studies, he did not make it clear to prospective subjects that the studies were voluntary and that they could drop out at any time, according to the federal Office of Human Research Protection (OHRP).

Harvard Crimson

LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



Cancer society to raise money with 2nd annual Chicken Run

By JOHN FANNING
News Writer

The second annual Lewis Chicken Run is being held Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. on North Quad. The two-mile road race is held as a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society and also features an obstacle course, free food and performances by several campus bands.

According to junior Kristin Baranack, who founded the event last year, "We wanted to provide as many different avenues as possible for people to help out."

After having several friends and family members diagnosed with cancer last year, Baranack decided that she wanted to do something to combat the problem.

"Cancer is something that affects almost everyone," she said. "Almost everyone knows somebody who has been affected by the disease either directly or indirectly."

Moreover, after Connor Murphy, a Notre Dame student who died of leukemia last year, Baranack decided to take action.

Baranack said, "I wanted to do something, but I wanted it to be

something fun."

As a result, she combined her own athletic interests with the widespread athletic tradition on campus, and decided that a road race would be the best way to make the event successful.

In addition to the two-mile race, there is an obstacle course, which is planned as a more relaxed and fun event for those who want to help but do not necessarily want to run. This year's course will

include several different events including a dizzy bat, carrying an egg on a spoon, bobbing for apples and running in flippers, among others. Also, the winning team will receive a golden chicken trophy, as will the top male and female winners in the road race.

Campus bands The Skammunists, the Alpha Bet and Nihm will be playing from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. to provide additional entertainment for those who want to come out and show their support

without necessarily participating in any of the events.

Baranack said, "It's not all about raising money, it's about the sense of community achieved through everyone supporting a good cause," she said anyone interested should come to show their support and have a good time.

Those interested in participating in either the race or the obstacle course can still sign up in the Lewis lobby from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. today, or anytime after 1 p.m. on North Quad on the day of the race, which does not begin until 3 p.m.

The entry fee for the race is \$10 in advance and \$12 on the day of the race, while the obstacle course costs \$20 for a team of four. All those who participate in the race will receive a Lewis

Hall Chicken Run T-shirt, and all money raised by the event will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

Baranack said, "It's a cause that everyone

cares a lot about and wants to do something for."

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Work features craftswomen as invisible heroines

By SARAH NESTOR
News Writer

Researching and funding their own project to recognize women's contribution to their communities, Paola Gianturco and Toby Tuttle started a project that kept growing. Visiting 90 craftswomen in 28 villages, 12 countries and four continents, they began to share the pictures and interviews of women working to better their life and the lives of their children.

"My dream was to make invisible heroines visible," Gianturco said in a lecture Thursday at Saint Mary's. "I began dreaming this even though I am not a professional photographer and I was not an author."

Inspiration for the project first came from findings by the United Nations that women support 50 percent of families in the world and that 25 percent of families are supported by women solely. Also, extremely poor women living below the UN poverty level, less than \$1 a day, were able to educate and feed their children.

Researching the cultures contacts were made so that a translator who would introduce them into the community would meet Gianturco and Tuttle at each country they visited.

"We presented ourselves not as reporters or investigators, but as equals, showing the women pictures of families so that there would be a connec-

tion," Gianturco said.

Featured on the front of the book that came from the interviews and photography, "In Her Hands: Craftswomen Changing the World" is a woman from the Ndebele tribe in Waterval, South Africa. The women of the tribe create complicated beading patterns, murals and hand-made dolls to sell.

"We always compensated the women that we are interviewing and photographing because we are taking them away from their work," Gianturco said. "We always compensated them for the same amount of money they would have made while working."

Traveling through Turkey, India, Peru, Bolivia and many other countries the women of the villages had the same wish to provide for their children what had not been provided for them.

"If women have four things, then they are able to make a change: information on health and business and access to capital and a market," Tuttle said.

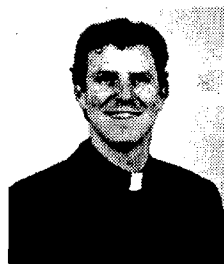
The "In Her Hands: Craftswomen Changing the World" photographic exhibition is sponsored by Saint Mary's Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership and will continue to be displayed in the Cushwa-Leighton Library lobby and O'Laughlin lobby until April 30.

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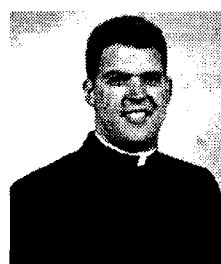
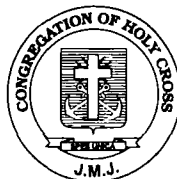
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Post office closings part of plan

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Local post office closings, phased-in price increases and possibly even cuts in six-day delivery are among the suggestions in a postal overhaul plan being sent to Congress.

The proposal calls for a new law converting the post office to a commercial government agency after 2006.

In the meantime the post office will start changes to cut costs and improve efficiency.

If Congress fails to act, the post office would be forced "to operate under its present increasingly outmoded business model until enough customers abandon the system to make financial failure unavoidable," the agency said.

Postmaster General John Potter called the plan "a transformation of the Postal Service to protect universal service and enable us to grow our business."

Battered by declining mail volume and rising costs, the Postal Service had a loss of \$1.6 billion last year.

The terrorist attacks and anthrax-by-mail have cost it hundreds of millions more and increasing losses are expected despite the 3-cent postage rate increase planned for this summer.

The aim is to determine how the post office can continue to provide and finance universal service, said Ralph Moden,

postal vice president for strategic planning.

In the near term, through 2006, the focus "is on things we can do under our own control and authority" along with some moderate changes by Congress," said Moden.

Among the proposals is legislation to allow changes in "service levels and delivery frequency."

Asked if that meant six-day mail delivery was on the block, Moden said the agency "would like some latitude and some flexibility in that area."

Potter said, however, "We know that people enjoy that six-day delivery, we know there is a business value to it."

With more pricing flexibility and adjustments to operations, he said, "we believe that we can protect six-day delivery well into the future."

Among other changes would be working with the Postal Rate Commission to streamline the rate process to provide more regular and predictable price changes, including phased-in rates.

Potter said that might mean small annual increases for commercial mailers while the public would get an increase every other year or every third year.

The agency also would lift its self-imposed moratorium on closing post offices and seek to streamline the process for closures.

"I want to make it abundantly clear that I'm not calling for wholesale closing of post

offices," Potter said. "Offices are part of a very valuable network ... we will continue to provide access to every American."

But he also noted that, unlike years ago, stamps are now available in grocery stores and via mail-order, telephone and Internet.

The post office has not received any taxpayer subsidy for operations for years, although Congress recently voted \$500 million to assist in coping with the anthrax contamination and to seek ways to prevent it from happening again.

The proposed long-term changes would move to a more private-business type of bargaining with unions, including a mediation process similar to that in the Railway Labor Act.

William Burrus, president of the American Postal Workers Union, called that idea a "non-starter" because the process, he said, can be manipulated by the White House to impose a settlement.

The proposed new agency would also drop the current requirement that it break even financially over time for one that allows profits that could be used to finance capital improvements or for other purposes.

It would use private business style purchasing rather than government systems and would look for new products and services to offer, including investing in related businesses and possibly permitting other retail operations in post offices.

Fashion

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"We believe that diversity of cast is a very essential element, and something that we value at BCAC. ... The models are so gifted and talented and really know how to convey the message we are trying to send in each scene. It's really entertaining to sit back and watch the kind of creative ideas that they come up with during practice," said Veronica Berger, BCAC president.

The fashion show is held every year in conjunction with Spring Visitation, a weekend devoted to the recruitment of minority students. De Vries said this is more than just coincidence.

"They want the recruits to see that Notre Dame is a fun place," de Vries said. "It gives

the recruits something to do and gives every one else something to look forward to every year."

Local clothing sponsors include Gingiss Formalwear, Demo, Casual Corner, Petite Sophisticate, Day Furs, Inspire Me and Boutique Exchange. All proceeds go towards the BCAC Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund, which honors to two freshmen every year.

Admission to the show is \$6 for students and \$7 for the general public. Free shuttle buses from campus to the Century Center will leave from Library Circle starting at 7 p.m. and continuing every 15 minutes until the 8 p.m. show time.

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Latin

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The show is scheduled to run tonight from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$5 available at LaFortune Box office this

week and at the O'Laughlin Auditorium. All proceeds from the show cover the cost of the production.

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Mont. phone probe reaches Washington

Associated Press

HELENA, Mont.

Telephone calls made from Gov. Judy Martz's office on behalf of a Republican fundraising group appear to have violated state law, state officials say.

In a letter sent to the U.S. Justice Department's Criminal Investigation Bureau, a deputy legislative auditor referred to the telephone calls on behalf of the Montana Majority Fund as "an apparent penal violation in the governor's office."

The auditor's office dis-

closed Thursday that it has referred the case to the state Justice Department. Such a referral is required whenever the legislative auditor discovers a potential crime. It marks the latest step toward a formal criminal investigation of phone use in the governor's office.

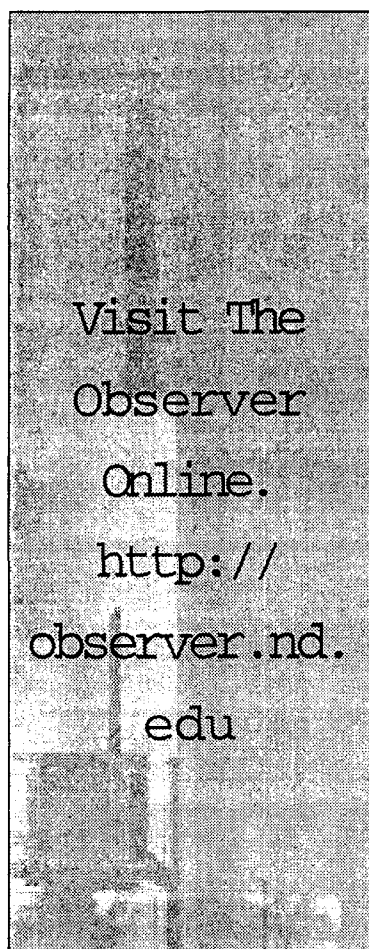
At issue are phone calls members of the governor's staff made on behalf of the Majority Fund, a Republican group of which Martz had served as an honorary chairwoman. She has since resigned from that post.

An investigation by the gov-

ernor's chief of staff concluded that two staff members made a total of 113 calls from the governor's office in connection with the Majority Fund last year.

The fund has since paid the state \$212 to cover the cost of the calls and the staff time involved. Martz has maintained she made no calls from the governor's office on behalf of the Majority Fund.

John Northey, attorney for the legislative auditor, said the referral does not mean the legislative auditor's office had determined illegal activity occurred.



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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Pope calls for prayers of peace:

Pope John Paul II called on the Roman Catholic Church today to hold a world day of prayer on Sunday for the Middle East where, he said, people are suffering "unprecedented violence." In an open letter to Angelo Cardinal Sodano, the Vatican's secretary of state, the pope reiterated his alarm at what he called the "dramatic situation" in the region and said that God can change the hearts of "even the most obstinate of men."

West Bank fighting continues:

Israeli tanks and armored vehicles rolled into Hebron this evening, the last major West Bank city to be occupied, while Palestinians and Israelis reported heavy fighting in other parts of the West Bank, including Jenin, where Israeli soldiers were searching house to house for weapons and wanted men.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

New Mexico wildfire spreads:

Firefighters struggled Thursday to control a lightning-caused wildfire that kindled a 25,000-acre blaze in the Gila National Forest. Firefighters on Sunday had decided to keep a close watch on the 100-acre fire while allowing it to burn brush. But it roared out of control Wednesday morning and had scorched 10,000 acres by nightfall. The blaze was moving east Thursday near the Arizona state line and turned north later in the day, Gila spokesman Tom Williams said.

F.B.I. workers fail polygraph tests:

About seven F.B.I. employees with access to highly classified information have been unable to pass polygraph examinations administered as part of the bureau's stepped-up security program after the arrest last year of a senior agent as a Russian spy, F.B.I. officials said today.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Farm numbers reaches record low:

The number of farms in Indiana has reached a record low, following a trend in the last three years as the farm economy continues to sag. The 63,000 farms counted last year in a federal survey are the fewest since record-keeping began a century ago, the Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service reported last month. The rounded-off estimate has declined by 1,000 each of the past three years, as farmers continue to sell their increasingly valuable land amid encroaching development and slumping grain prices.

ISRAEL



Amid criticism of his Middle East policy, President Bush Thursday called on Israel to halt incursions into Palestinian-controlled areas and withdraw its forces, and directed Secretary of State Colin Powell to go to the region to revive cease-fire talks.

Palestinians seek Bush initiative

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

The Palestinian leadership accepted "without conditions" a new peace effort by President Bush, in a Cabinet statement issued early Friday.

Bush called for Israel to stop its incursions into Palestinian-controlled territory in the West Bank and begin to withdraw its forces. The president restated U.S. demands that Palestinians stop terror attacks and said he would send Secretary of State Colin Powell to the region to try to negotiate

an end to the crisis.

The statement said Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and his leadership accept cease-fire proposals put together last year by CIA director George Tenet and a wider plan for restarting peace talks.

The statement denounced the Israeli military campaign: "We should not be blamed when we face this aggression against our people, against our towns, our refugee camps, and we have the right to defend ourselves."

Though the Palestinian

statement said, "From our side we are committed without conditions to the declaration of President Bush," Cabinet minister Saeb Erekat said Bush's harsh criticism of Arafat was "unjustified and unacceptable."

In a statement at the White House Thursday, Bush said, "The situation in which he [Arafat] finds himself today is largely of his own making," charging that Arafat had missed many opportunities and was not effective in fighting terrorism.

Earlier, Israel's Foreign Ministry issued a state-

ment welcoming the Bush initiative, saying, "We note with satisfaction President Bush's words on the necessity to put an end to terror."

Powell is expected to arrive in the region next week. Later Friday, U.S. envoy Anthony Zinni is expected to meet Arafat, trapped in his office for a week by Israeli tanks and troops.

After earlier rejecting a U.S. request to allow Zinni to see the Palestinian leader, Israel Prime Minister Ariel Sharon agreed to the meeting after seeing Zinni on Thursday.

Market Watch April 4

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Jailed Illinois man seeks release

Associated Press

CHICAGO

A man who has been behind bars more than 50 years in a sensational Chicago murder case in which "Catch me before I kill more" was left scrawled in lipstick on a bathroom mirror asked a clemency board Thursday to free him, claiming he was railroaded.

William Heirens, 73, was not at the hearing before the Illinois Prisoner Review Board, but two Northwestern University law professors who have worked to free wrongly imprisoned inmates argued on his behalf.

Heirens, who is believed to be the longest-serving prisoner in Illinois, has said he gave a false confession under duress from police and prosecutors who were under intense pressure to solve the notorious 1946 killings of a little girl and two women.

He has claimed he was given a spinal tap without anesthetic, injected with truth serum, subjected to round-the-clock police interrogation and isolated from his lawyer and parents.

Steven Drizin of the Children and Family Justice Center at Northwestern said Heirens' case has "all the earmarks of a wrongful conviction." He

asked the 13-member board to "right wrongs which the courts have failed to right."

Heirens was a 17-year-old student at University of Chicago and convicted petty burglar when he was arrested in the slayings of a 6-year-old girl, whose remains were found scattered in the Chicago sewers, and two women.

Then-Mayor Edward Kelly called the little girl's slaying "even too horrible for a maniac." The message "For heaven's sake, catch me before I kill more. I cannot control myself" was found scrawled on the mirror in one of the victim's homes.

GSU sponsors student health fair this Saturday

By ANDREW THAGARD
Assistant News Editor

The Graduate Student Union is hoping that free food, T-shirts and prizes will lure Notre Dame graduate students, faculty and staff and law and MBA students to its HealthEday fair this Saturday.

The afternoon event features fitness activities, entertainment for children and interactive presentations on stress management, nutrition and immunizations, according to Adrienne Minnerick, GSU health-care committee chair. The activities were originally scheduled

to take place on the field between Saint Mary's and Saint Joseph's lakes but wintry weather forecasts for Saturday forced organizers to relocate to Stephen Center. The theme of HealthEday, "Promoting Healthy Lives," marks an attempt by the Health Care Committee to focus on preventative care and maintaining a healthy lifestyle instead of graduate student health insurance

— an issue that has dominated the Committee's agenda this year.

"We're trying to address nutrition, health and fitness needs in a variety of ways," Minnerick said. Some of these ways include organized basketball, cricket and soccer games along with exercise activities run by RecSports like classes in kickboxing, martial arts and Yoga. GSU has also recruited University and local organizations to run workshops throughout the day. The event corresponds with National Health Week, a move that originally threatened to limit the number of participating organizations. GSU has since enlisted a

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number of organizations to give presentations. The University Counseling Center is sponsoring a stress management presentation by Wendy Settle, a stress management specialist, the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) organization of St. Joseph's County is organizing a presentation on nutrition and University Health Services is hosting a wellness and prevention presentation, among other



The Graduate Student Union is sponsoring HealthEday, a health fair for graduate, law, and MBA students, faculty and staff this Saturday. Scheduled events include fitness activities, entertainment for children and interactive presentations on stress management, nutrition and immunizations.

offerings. GSU has been planning the event for the past six weeks and has recruited over nine co-sponsors including Martin's Supermarket, the Alumni Association and the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. GSU president Gabriella Burgos and vice-president Kishori Deshpande helped coordinate the event with Minnerick and web manager Katie Moore, publicity and promotions committee chair Ingrid Villa-Real and administrative assistant

Donna Frahn have also been involved in the event. Minnerick originally estimated that 300-500 people would attend the event but is concerned that attendance will drop due to bad weather.

"It's going to be in a warmer place [Stephen Center] so hopefully more people will come," she said. Minnerick hopes that the event will become an annual offering, drawing the large crowds that the GSU/Campus Ministry fall picnic features.

"The verbal response we've gotten back in the past few days has been extremely positive," she said. "We're really excited. Come for a fun-filled day dedicated to healthy living."

Online signup sheets for organized sports and a schedule of events for the day are available at the GSU website, www.gsu.nd.edu/HealthEday/.

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SMC will open student intercultural residence next year

By THERESA FRALISH
News Writer

Planning continues for the student intercultural residence, sponsored by the Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership, to be opened next year at Saint Mary's College.

Funded by a grant from the

Lilly Foundation in Jan. 2001 to establish the Center and the student residence, the residence aims to bring together students from diverse backgrounds to share experiences and develop a close community.

"Our hope is that, in creating this program, we're bringing together women of different backgrounds," said Mana

Derakhshani, the Center's director.

Though interest in the program has been small, the Center is continuing to move forth with plans for next year, according to Derakhshani. A block of rooms has been set aside on the fourth floor of Regina Hall North for the residence program and the Center has begun to consider applica-

tions for the position of program director.

Derakhshani hopes to hire a new director with a strong basis in student living and some background in intercultural relations. "We're looking for someone who has experience in ResLife and who has an interest or experience in dealing with other cultures," Derakhshani said. Applicants

must have a master's degree and will play a major role in designing and facilitating the activities of the students in the residence. The new director may also have some experience in teaching and may help to teach some of the intercultural classes and assist in planning the Center's summer programs. So far the Center has received about 10-12 applications for the position.

Currently six students have applied for the residence program, and the Center is hoping for an optimum number of 10-12 students that could live in the residence. Though the deadline for student applications passed yesterday, the Center will continue to accept applications. The opportunity to live in the residence has also been extended to incoming freshmen and transfer students.

Derakhshani believes that the Center will receive more applications after the room selection process. "My hope is that after room picks some students may take a look at this," she said. Even if interest remains low, the residence program will still operate with the students who have already applied.

Despite the small response, the students who have been accepted in the residence program feel that it will provide a needed opportunity for dialogue and increased diversity awareness.

"I like to support Saint Mary's in its efforts to support diversity," said sophomore Romona Parks. Parks, also a member of the Student Diversity Board, hopes that interest will increase in the program. "I'd like to see a lot more participation and publicity," she said.

Freshman Jennifer Hernandez wants the program to draw students out of their typically closed environments. "It will help bring the need for awareness and the need for diversity to this campus," she said.

Students participating in the program would keep regular journals and share small group discussions on their experiences and backgrounds. The students would also have their own budget and funds for programming such as attending conferences. The residence will contain a resource library with videotapes and other informational material on intercultural issues.

At the year's end each student in the program will receive a certificate of completion. Derakhshani feels that this experience will be a valuable factor for students in completing resumes and graduate school applications. "We think it's going to be an asset to have this experience," she said.

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Nun talks about work with Islam

By MARY ANN JENTZ
News Writer

Sister Marianne Farina led a conversation about her recent article "Beyond Tolerance: Interfaith Friendship as Ethics in Action," Thursday at Saint Mary's, focusing on her work with people of the Islamic faith.

Farina, a Holy Cross nun, received her undergraduate education at New York University, where she studied graphic design. Shortly after, she came to Saint Mary's and taught a course in intensive drawing for a semester.

She spent five years on the East Coast teaching in high schools until she asked to go overseas. Farina recognized this as an opportunity to extend the mission of the Holy Cross clergy.

Farina was sent to Dhaka, Bangladesh, and taught in predominately Muslim schools for four years. During the latter portion of her time in Bangladesh, Farina worked to promote education in rural settings in a northern area of the country. She tried to develop the learning of children to include their faith.

"I wanted the children to see a view larger than one chapter of the Koran," she said.

After working in Bangladesh, she came back to the United States and studied moral theology. She was interested in what people's opinions about how humans should act, and she relates this to her work of building more than tolerance between religions. Her goal with her article, her workshops and her conversations is to move beyond tolerance and develop a friendship and mutual understanding between people of different faiths. Farina said people should fully understand faiths different from their own and see the good in them.

One professor at the discussion asked Farina about Muslims within the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities. He asked Farina how the schools could make them feel comfortable on the predominately Roman Catholic campuses.

Instead of suggesting that the communities start a Muslim student program, Farina said, they should incorporate their Muslim beliefs into some of the current practices. If the Muslim

community requested special services, the schools should try to provide them, but a better solution would be to gently weave some of their practices into the interfaith prayer services held on both campuses, according to Farina.

As part of her study and experience of the Islamic faith, Farina joined an Islamic community more than a year ago.

This community holds a prayer night every Thursday, but the Thursday after Sept. 11, the Islamic women were afraid to go. They had heard the tales of their people being persecuted and beaten. Farina suggested that everyone carpool to the service.

Although she was not Muslim, the Muslim women drew strength from her. Farina wanted to show the audience that people draw strength from people of different faiths and beliefs.

Farina's appearance was the first in a series of events sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Saint Mary's for International Month at the College.

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dreams, I can't imagine students going to class at a satellite campus a mile down the road," said Nanni.

Instead, the University would seek to work with retail partners who would use the land and perhaps use another part of it for a specific University purpose. Nanni compared the possible purchase to the University's recent purchase of lots on Notre D a m e Avenue, where it subsequently sold the lots to faculty members who intended to build houses on them. If the University decides to

intervene by purchasing the land, it would continue a tradition of aiding efforts to revitalize South Bend's Northeast Neighborhood. Last year, the University opened the Robinson Community Learning Center, a facility on North Eddy Street that sponsors a wide range of activities from computer training for senior citizens to tutoring and other activities for elementary-school aged children.

Both Nanni and University spokesman Dennis Moore said that the University has a goal of maintaining the stability of the Northeast Neighborhood.

"In terms of our involvement with the Northeast Neighborhood and with all the effort we have been making for that neighbor-

hood, to suddenly have a large unused portion of land in the neighborhood would be a major setback," said Moore.

However, the University has not yet decided to purchase the land and has not determined how the land would be used to fulfill University purposes if it was purchased.

"This is something that has come up in a very short period of time ... nobody has any idea what

use we might make of the land if we were to purchase it," said Moore.

The relocation of the Medical Center might trigger another change in University policy: where emergency medical cases from Notre Dame are sent. Currently, all medical emergencies serious

enough to require hospitalization are sent to St. Joseph's, but the new facility will be more than twice as far from campus as the current facility and Memorial Hospital's Michigan Street location would be closer to campus. Additionally, the traffic-congested Grape Road area separates Notre Dame from the site of the new facility.

"I think that it's too soon to say if there will be a change, but in an emergency, ambulances will always go to the nearest hospital, but the [hospital's] move is a ways down the road and only time will tell," said Moore.

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Germany gives U.N. Berlin Wall piece

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS
Germany presented the United Nations with a piece of the Berlin Wall as a lasting reminder of the world's Cold War division and a symbol of hope that other barriers between peoples and nations can be torn down.

In the garden of U.N. headquarters in New York, Secretary-General Kofi Annan and the president of Germany's Bundestag, Wolfgang Thierse, on Thursday unveiled a plaque on the large wall fragment, which is decorated with a painting of a man and woman embracing across the top of the wall.

The 12-foot-high wall was built in August 1961 to stop the exodus of East Germans to the West. Its fall on Nov. 9, 1989 — the result of the peaceful revolution in East Germany against communist rule — led to the reunification of Germany less than a year later.

Thierse, who was born in East Germany, said the wall shaped his life "in profound and painful ways" and he wanted the United Nations to have a piece of it to ensure

that the memory of the Cold War is kept alive.

"We owe it above all to the people whose protests against the wall and opposition to being confined within the borders of East Germany cost them their lives," he said, noting that more than 230 people died trying to cross into the West at the wall.

Annan said it was appropriate that a piece of the wall would be at the United Nations, whose efforts to forge peace and security were hobbled by the U.S.-Soviet ideological rivalry. The fall of the wall "helped to liberate the entire international community," he said.

Standing in front of the colorfully painted chunk of concrete, Annan said "it is striking that something that loomed so big in our imagination turns out to be so thin."

"Perhaps that, too, holds a lesson for us: the lesson that divisions in the human community are not so insurmountable as we feared; that gaps of misunderstanding and material well-being can be bridged; and that we can, like the couple depicted here, join hands

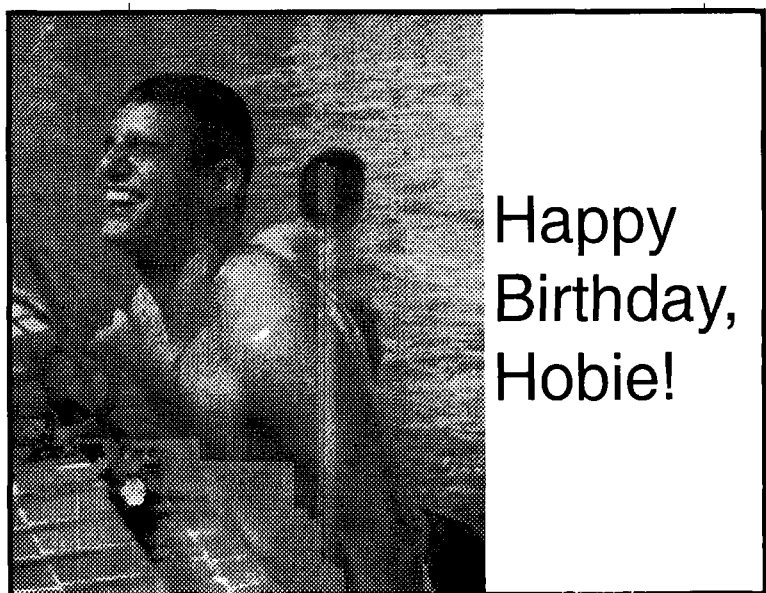
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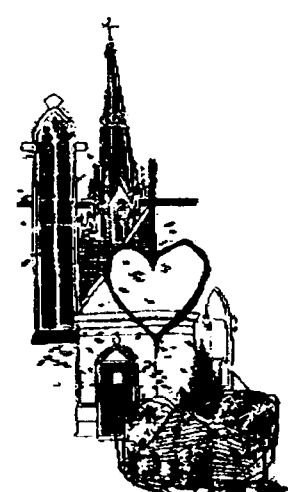
and unite for a better world," the U.N. chief told more than 50 guests at the ceremony.

Thierse lamented that expectations of "a golden age of peace" after the wall's fall and the end of the Cold War had not materialized, citing terrorism and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

The Berlin Wall fragment, he said, should be "a reminder to us all that lasting peace can only be achieved if we overcome divisions and borders and boundaries," and that takes "patience, persistence, determination, and friends and allies."



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Women's group decries Bush nominee

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

One of President Bush's nominees for a federal appeals court kept his membership in a private club that bans women years after telling the Senate that he would leave, a women's group said Thursday.

U.S. District Judge Brooks Smith of Pennsylvania remained in the Spruce Creek Rod and Gun Club 11 years after telling the Senate that he would leave if the club didn't change its bylaws banning women, said Kathy Miller, president of the Pennsylvania chapter of the National Organization for Women.

"It basically says that he's not concerned about discrimination against women," Miller said.

Justice Department spokeswoman Monica Goodling disputed that claim, saying Smith has a "long history of helping to protect women" and noted he has been endorsed by Pennsylvania women's organizations.

"Judge Smith has a good record of protecting women's

rights," she said.

Calls to Smith were not immediately returned.

The Justice Department also provided a letter from Smith in 1990 to the club in which judge says he has been "agitating for several years about a change in the Spruce Creek bylaws concerning the males-only restriction."

The NOW chapter on Thursday sent a letter to GOP Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania outlining its contention. A call to a Specter spokesman was not immediately returned.

A message left on the Spruce Creek Rod and Gun Club's answering machine was not returned Thursday.

During his confirmation as a U.S. District Court judge in 1988, Smith acknowledged to senators that the federal judge's code of conduct required resignation from clubs that exclude women if the laws were not changed.

Smith "did make an active effort to make a change, but the organization was not responsive to his effort, but he did try to

make that change more than once," said Tom Murphy, the club's immediate past president.

In addition, the judges' code also adds that judges do not have to resign from all-male clubs with purely social purpose and limited membership, Justice Department officials said.

Smith is no longer a member of the club, resigning in 1999. The club is best known nationally as the place where former President Carter used to fish in Pennsylvania while in the White House.

A coalition of feminist, environmental, civil rights and other special interest groups have been advocating against Smith since his nomination by Bush on Sept. 10. If confirmed he would serve on the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia, which covers Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and the Virgin Islands.

Smith already has had a confirmation hearing but no vote has been set by the Democrat-controlled Senate Judiciary Committee.



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Michiana Telecasting Corp. plans to close Golden Dome Media division, which is responsible for video and media production.

Effects of Golden Dome Media shutdown unclear

By JOE ACKERMAN
News Writer

It has been six weeks since Michiana Telecasting Corp., the parent company of NBC affiliate WNDU-TV, announced the closing of its Golden Dome Media division.

Golden Dome Media was the video and media production vehicle of the station, which produced many videos over the years for students, faculty and University purposes including the University's Undergraduate Admissions video, produced in 1999.

Jim Behling, president and general manager of WNDU-TV, while maintaining the confidentiality of specific personnel matters, did indicate that those affected by the job cuts at Golden Dome would most likely not be retained in other capacities. However, Behling assured that internships would continue to be offered to Notre Dame students at the television station.

"As far as Golden Dome is concerned, it was a concern about long-term profitability," Behling said about Michiana Telecasting's decision to close down Golden Dome.

A statement on Golden Dome's website read, "Many talented and dedicated people have con-

tributed to the work of Golden Dome over the years. We thank them for their contributions and truly regret the impact of the closing upon these individuals and their families."

In addition to serving as a commercial media production company, Golden Dome served as an educational outlet for Notre Dame students. The company maintained a relationship with Notre Dame's Film, Television and Theater Department in which several students would participate in internships each semester for credit within the department.

According to Karen Heisler, assistant adjunct professor of FTT and internship coordinator, approximately three to five FTT students worked each semester at Golden Dome. The fate of future students who will be seeking internships in media production remains uncertain.

"Obviously, these opportunities have disappeared. However, we're hopeful that WNDU-TV will still be able to offer Notre Dame students internship opportunities in news, studio production, location production, sales and promotion," said Heisler.

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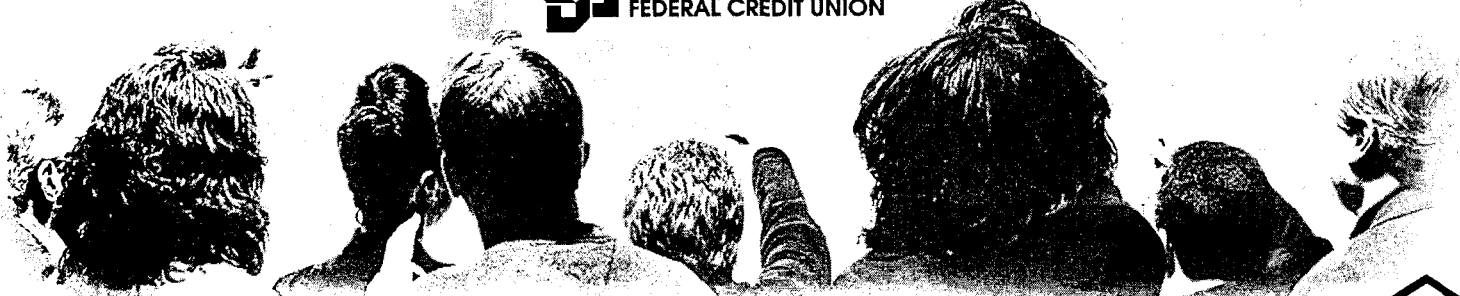
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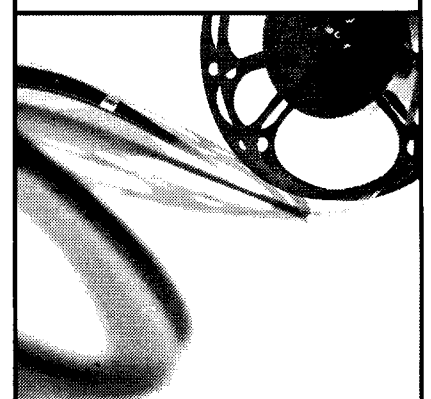
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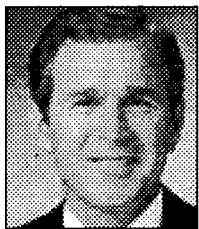
U.N., Bush pass Powell's trip

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS

The U.N. Security Council on Thursday unanimously endorsed the Mideast mission of Secretary of State Colin Powell and demanded an Israeli withdrawal from Palestinian cities "without delay."

Diplomats said the council resolution would add weight to President Bush's effort to end the Mideast crisis, and to a resolution adopted Saturday which also calls for Israel and the Palestinians to "move immediately to a meaningful cease-fire."



Bush

Secretary-General Kofi Annan urged the international community to persuade Israel and the Palestinians to draw back from violence which is threatening the region. Accusing Israel of trying to escalate the 18-month conflict, he warned that self-defense against suicide bombings "is not a blank check." He said forcing Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat into exile "would be reckless."

Bush announced Thursday he was sending Powell to the Mideast in a new peace initiative, and he urged Israel to halt its military incursions and to start pulling its troops and tanks out of West Bank cities it entered in the past week in a search for Palestinian extremists.

The intensified U.S. mediation effort was announced while Security Council members were discussing an Arab-backed resolution demanding an immediate Israeli withdrawal from Palestinian cities, including Ramallah where Arafat is surrounded by Israeli tanks.

Frustrated over Israel's disregard of a council demand on Saturday to pull back its forces, Palestinian supporters demanded a new resolution including the word immediate — which wasn't in Saturday's call for Israel's military withdrawal.

The United States objected to the word "immediate" because it has been pressing for a cease-fire before an Israeli troop withdrawal, a position supported by Israel.

After Bush announced his new initiative in Washington on Thursday morning, U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte proposed new language for the Arab-backed draft resolution

demanding that Israel pull out its tanks and troops "without delay" and welcoming Powell's Mideast mission.

Arab and non-aligned nations agreed to those words, and the final resolution was sponsored by the council president — not Syria as the council's Arab representative — symbolizing its unanimous support.

The Palestinian U.N. envoy, Nasser Al-Kidwa, said there was no difference in the meaning of "without delay" and "immediately."

"We hope that this will help the situation and that finally Israel will heed the unanimous voice of the international community," Al-Kidwa said.

Israel's U.N. Ambassador Yehuda Lancry said the government would comment on the resolution Friday. He said he wished it had included a reference to Palestinian suicide bombings which is "a crucial issue not only for the Palestinians, not only for the Israelis, but for our civilization. This suicidal culture must be stopped."

Lancry told the council before the vote that "Israel pledges to spare no effort to cooperate fully with Powell to make his mission a success to bring about a genuine and meaningful cease-fire that will pave the way for a return to the negotiating process."

The resolution calls on "both parties to move immediately to a meaningful cease-fire; calls for the withdrawal of Israeli troops from Palestinian cities, including Ramallah; and calls upon the parties to cooperate fully with [U.S.] Special Envoy [Anthony] Zinni" to work to get a cease-fire and start negotiations for a political settlement.

It also expressed "grave concern" over the recent Palestinian suicide bombings in Israel and the attack on Arafat's headquarters in Ramallah.

It welcomes Powell's mission as well as efforts by the European Union, Russia and the United Nations, "to bring about a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in the Middle East."

At the request of the United States and some other countries, a vote on the Syrian-sponsored draft resolution was put off Wednesday night to avoid a likely U.S. veto because it used the word "immediate."

After renewed Mideast violence erupted in September 2000, the Security Council remained sidelined because the United States, Israel's closest council ally, thwarted virtually every effort by the Palestinians to get a resolution that would condemn Israeli action.

U.S. touts coal-bed methane development

Associated Press

DENVER

A Bush administration official said Thursday that the Sept. 11 attacks and Mideast conflict underscore the need to boost U.S. energy production, and coal-bed methane development in the Rockies will help meet that goal.

Assistant Interior Secretary Rebecca Watson said the Bureau of Land Management, which she oversees, is studying the potential of more gas development in five major areas, all in the Rockies, to meet the goals in President Bush's national energy plan.

"After the events of last year, the importance of energy to our way of life, our economy and our national security has never really been so clear as it is now," Watson said.

She gave the keynote address of a two-day conference on coal-bed methane development sponsored by the University of Colorado.

Much of Bush's plan is being debated in legislation before Congress.

Energy demands will continue to rise the next 20 years, and more energy will come from natural gas because it pollutes less, Watson said. Coal-bed methane is an important new source of gas.

Methane gas is produced by pumping groundwater to relieve the pressure trapping the gas in coal seams. Commercial production began in earnest in the 1980s.

The San Juan Basin in northwestern New Mexico and southwestern Colorado is the country's largest coal-bed methane producer. The Powder River Basin in northeastern Wyoming and southern Montana is quickly catching up, with about 10,000 wells already drilled and a total of 50,000 predicted over the next several years.

Much of the energy development in the West is on public land. The BLM manages 262 million acres, primarily in 12 Western states, and 700 million acres of minerals. The federal government leases the rights to exploit its minerals.

That leads to clashes between energy producers and ranchers who lease public land for livestock grazing, or landowners who don't own the mineral rights and don't want oil and gas rigs, compressor stations and new roads on their property.

Watson, an Energy Department lawyer in the first Bush administration, said mineral rights trump surface rights. She said the Interior Department is considering ways to reduce the conflicts between producers and landowners, who complain federal and state laws don't adequately protect them.

Watson also acknowledged the negative environmental impacts of coal-bed methane, including the vast amounts of water pumped out of the ground.

Much of the water is reinjected into the ground in New Mexico and Colorado, but nearly all the water in Wyoming is dumped on the ground because of problems with reinjecting it.

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Hospital purchase could benefit ND, city

In another effort to both promote the development of South Bend's Northeast Neighborhood and transfer city land to University property, Notre Dame is considering purchasing South Bend's St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, which recently announced it would relocate to the Mishawaka area in 2006. If the University carries out the purchase, it could be a worthwhile investment for both the city and Notre Dame as long as the University uses the property to enhance the surrounding community and further its own academic goals.

The University and the Northeast Neighborhood of South Bend have often worked together to establish new programs and centers, such as the Robinson Community Learning Center, that provide a service to the community. The University's purchase of the hospital would con-

tinue this collaborative effort and would both improve the Northeast Neighborhood and enhance the University itself. Notre Dame would have the chance to utilize the location for a variety of purposes and prevent the deterioration of South Bend as business move out of the core city.

If Notre Dame does purchase the St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, the University could create a facility that would advance Notre Dame's academic goals and enrich the surrounding community. Buildings should not be abandoned,

especially with a prominent university nearby that is capable of using the property to help the city. Notre Dame should not be expected to bail out South Bend, but if the hospital's location could be used to help the Northeast Neighborhood, the University would continue to show its commitment to the South Bend community.

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Crusading for scholastics

The student body of Notre Dame has always had a reputation of being well rounded students who worked just as hard as any top 10 academic institution, but have not forgotten how to have a little fun at the same time. I am quite relieved that the University administrators are finally getting around to stomping out these nasty rumors. If all goes as planned, such distractions as social gatherings, sexual relationships and (the most evil of all) tailgating will be nothing but windy stories told by old alumni. Nearly a decade ago, the administrators had started this campaign to rid your beloved campus of anything not related to academics, spirituality, or discipline. They had closed the student bars on campus and outlawed the use of kegs by private parties.

I was encouraged by this move and anxiously awaited the certain shift in the student population. No longer would this campus be overrun by out-going, socializing youths. Soon a wave of pure intellectuals, geeks and hermits would take over. To my disappointment, the turnover was not as quick as I had hoped.

A few weeks ago, I learned that the University had decided to take another stab at drastically improving the

quality of student life at Notre Dame. With an efficient strike, Father Poorman out-did himself and his predecessors. He banned one of the only regularly attended social events left on your campus. Pure genius. Honestly, there is no need for dances. I cannot think of a single

good reason that college-aged men and women should be allowed to enjoy each other's company in a relatively mild atmosphere of sexual tension. The administration was crazy to allow this debacle to go on as long as it did. What a waste of four perfectly good Friday nights each year. Think of the possibilities. With this extra time, maybe another theology requirement could be added now.

My advice to you is this: Students, do not try to fight this. Just sit back and let it happen. There is really nothing you can do. The administrators are too smart for you. They have all of the time in the world to slowly turn this University into just another draconian, Bible-thumping private college. You are only here for four years, and then you leave and a new set of students are pushed into the ivory tower.

Do not think for a second that this University needs you, your righteous opinions, or even your alumni donations. For every one of you who were allowed into this place, three others

were rejected. They would happily fill your place. So keep on studying, go to Mass daily and most importantly, stay in the safety of your dorm room as much as possible. Do not worry about your fellow students who like to party, they will slowly be weeded out, and more decent students will take their places.

It is time to join the ranks of Bob Jones University and Brigham Young. We are a moral institution above anything else. There is nothing else to college besides school. Do not waste your time fraternizing with the opposite sex or frequenting certain South Bend establishments. Keep your nose in the books, and some day, Notre Dame will boast a higher suicide rate than Cornell, burnout rate than MIT and lack of social skills than the University of Chicago.

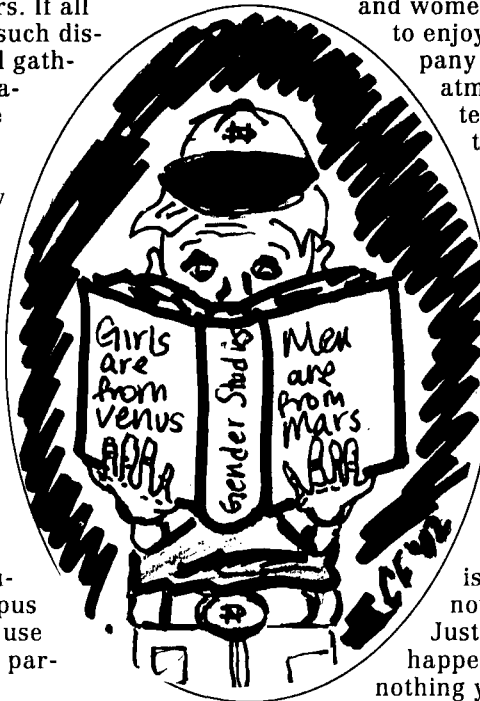
Since this is the Viewpoint section of the newspaper, I feel compelled to add a few suggestions for Father Poorman and the rest of those tireless crusaders for justice and scholastic responsibility. I think that the administration should move to ban all social events that are not hosted by Flipside or involve a carnival. In addition to that, the mandatory 11 p.m. lights-out of the pre 1960's era should be re-instituted. And most importantly, we should take drastic measures to get rid of Notre Dame football. It distracts the students from their work. It takes away from the academic prestige of our institution. And worst of all, — oh wait, that will not work, I just remembered how much money football puts in the bank.

Richard Quint

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"After coming in contact with a religious man, I always feel that I must wash my hands."

Friedrich Nietzsche
philosopher

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Examining the Church in crisis

The recent revelations of ongoing, concealed pedophilia by Catholics priests demonstrate a need for change within the Catholic Church in America. In their efforts to protect priests accused of sexual abuse, Boston Cardinal Bernard Law and others within the Church hierarchy compromised the safety and betrayed the trust of the Church membership throughout the country.

The U.S. Roman Catholic bishops conference's proposal for general policy on sexual abuse in the American Church marks one step toward restoring that trust. However, for the Church to survive the ongoing crisis and thrive in the United States in the next century, it must open its doors to the common believer and give its general membership a greater voice within the Church.

Too often, decisions in the Catholic Church are made without consultation or explanation. It seems as though Catholic clergymen assume an aura of infallibility, or hold an expectation of blind faith, which allows them to brush away the questions and suggestions of the Church membership. With each transfer of ex-priest Jim Geoghan to another parish to conceal his sexual indiscretions, Cardinal Law operated from and worked to confirm that flawed aura. Law's responses to calls for his resignation reflect the general disregard for the opinion of Church membership, demonstrated by too many Church leaders. "Our faith doesn't rest on the shifting winds of public opinion," he said.

In modern society, Americans have come to cherish their right-to-know. A wealth of knowledge exists at the hands of each individual, on the Internet, on television and in the newspaper. Church members can no longer accept decisions without questions or explanation, nor should they. Law's actions tragically

illustrate that the ordained ministers of the faith are human beings as prone to lapses in judgement as the rest of us. As a body of human beings, the Church hierarchy needs to honor the right-to-know of Church members.

The American Church has begun to address the concerns of the public with the release of the names of priests, accused of sexual abuse in other dioceses. However, it needs to move further and open itself to a truly honest, public debate on the state of the Church in this country.

Here, at the most visible Roman Catholic University in the country, this debate and disclosure of information needs to begin. The administration at this University should openly address the issue of pedophilia in the Church. If any priests associated with this University have connections to the scandal, their names should be revealed. Furthermore, this University needs to foster the open exchange of ideas on sexual abuse within the Church and on questions about Church doctrine that the scandal has evoked. Specifically, has the time come for married and female priests?

The integrity of the education at this University depends upon the public, honest dialogue over the current Church crisis. The mishandling of the cases of sexual abuse by priests has undermined the values

upon which learning at this school is based. After 14 years at Catholic schools, I recognize the worth of the theological and value-based education that I have received throughout grammar school, high school and college. As a Church member, I am concerned about the future of Catholic schools in this country.

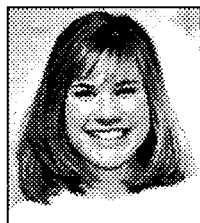
As students at this University, we all should be concerned. On campus, the Church crisis has become lost among protests over the new alcohol policy. Yet, for the

Roman Catholic majority of the student population, the concealment of pedophilia by Cardinal Law and others stands as a far graver infringement of our rights and trust than the loss of the SYR or the prohibition of hard liquor on campus. Our ignorance of the situation puts the Church and this University at risk to emerge from this scandal weakened.

However, by opening its doors, the Church in America could arise from this crisis strengthened. A new commitment to the general Church membership needs to be made within the Church hierarchy. The future of the Church in this country depends upon it.

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Joanna Mikulski

Tuesday Voice
on Friday



GUEST COLUMN

Acknowledge terror, stop pointing fingers in the Middle East

I am frustrated because every time I pick up a newspaper, there is another article trying to figure out who is to blame for the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. It is worthless to point fingers and assign blame or even to argue politics, when innocent people are losing their lives at the hands of terrorists.

Julie Bernstein

Daily Trojan

How do we solve this problem? Is it possible for Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to control the terrorist factions within Palestine and stop the suicide-murders? The problem is that he can't. Nor can Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, President Bush or the United Nations. The terrorists' purpose in Israel is to continue killing Israelis, regardless of peace talks, regardless of peace agreements, until there is no longer a State of Israel. Terrorists do not consider the loss of a human life as a true loss.

It makes me sad to think that these terrorists are my peers: 16, 20 and 25-year-olds who feel they have nothing more to live for. Killing themselves and innocent human beings is worth more than life to them. Young adults, who have suffered so much emotional and psychological abuse, they choose to take their lives in the most horrific of ways, through suicide and murder.

Perhaps if Arafat presented the Palestinian people with a long-term plan that will revitalize their war-torn country, Palestinian youth will anticipate living through their twenties. I'd like to see Arafat develop an economic plan for Palestine. Prove to the world that he wants peace and is intent on creating a functioning nation called Palestine. Let's encourage Arafat to build an economic system, create jobs and provide housing and schools for the people of Palestine. Provide Palestinians with the basic necessities in life: food, water, shelter. Perhaps then, the terror will stop.

Comparing Ariel Sharon to Adolph Hitler, or any part of the Nazi regime, is far from a solution. I understand it makes for good rhetoric. Let's make the prime minister of Israel, the Jewish State, appear to be a Nazi. Not only is it disgusting and insulting to the Jewish peo-

ple, it's not true. Hitler systematically committed mass genocide, killing not only 6 million Jews, but also millions of other non-Aryan types such as homosexuals, Christians and political prisoners.

We are all college-educated people here — let's stop the propaganda. It won't bring peace to the Middle East. Sharon is protecting his country. I do not claim to have any expert information on the war tactics that Sharon and the Israeli Defense Forces are using in Ramallah and other hotbeds of terrorist organization. I do, however, know that a prime minister cannot sit back and watch his citizens die.

It is difficult for me to understand exactly what goes on inside these cities after the Israeli tanks move in. What do news reports and snapshots tell us? What do Sharon and Arafat tell us?

Well, they tell us whatever they want us to believe. Unless you are there, and experiencing it firsthand, you'll never know. That's politics for you.

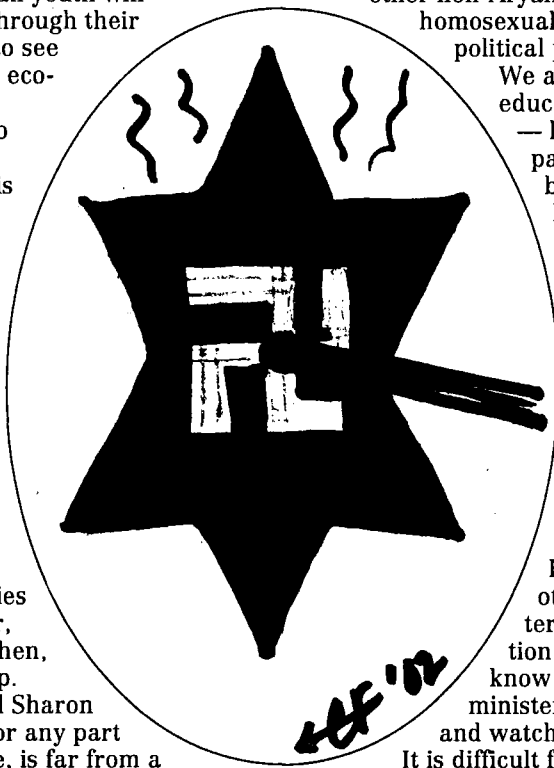
So I suggest we stop talking politics for a second, stop trying to figure out who is to blame and acknowledge the terror. There is no excuse for suicide bombings. There is no excuse for innocent civilians to lose their lives while eating at cafés, shopping at supermarkets, riding on buses or celebrating holy days such as a Bat Mitzvah and Passover. In the last six weeks, hundreds of Israeli citizens have died, in Netanya, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Afula and Haifa, at the hands of suicide-murders.

I don't have a solution for the peace process. Its complexity is filled with history, anger, love and faith, not to mention politics.

However, the suicide-murders have to stop, for both the children of Israel and Palestine. It will be more useful for us, as human beings, to focus on the importance of saving lives, not pointing fingers.

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Above, Shelly (Matt Lee, left) confronts John (Tom Conner, right) about the business practices within the office, while Richard (Matt Holmes, center) watches. Below, Shelly (Lee, right) explains to John (Conner, left) why John does not belong in the real estate business.



By LAURA KELLY
Assistant Scene Editor

In an exceptional gathering of some of Notre Dame's finest actors, the cast of seven men involved in this weekend's production of "Glengarry Glen Ross" boast as talented and testosterone-driven a line-up as the all-star cast of the play's 1992 movie adaptation.

And the fact that these students don't rely on Hollywood credentials or the tricks of film to bring David Mamet's play to life proves their worth when compared to the likes of Al Pacino, Jack Lemmon, Alec Baldwin or Ed Harris.

According to the director, senior Dave Kuennen, the play is about much more than what its seemingly simple context suggests: employees in a real estate office are put at odds over a sales contest in which the winner will receive a Cadillac and two losing employees will be fired.

"The play is really about capitalism and greed — what money and greed make people do," Kuennen said.

Actor Matt Lee echoed these larger themes of "Glengarry." "Mamet captures human nature, the struggles of the everyday man," Lee said. "The play is about the human tendency to think on an individual level, instead of taking into account other people around you."

Such questions of life in modern society, along with the playwright's signature dialogue-driven style, make "Glengarry" one of Mamet's best works, according to Kuennen and other members of the cast.

The decision to bring the play to the stage was the culmination of several years of discussion and reflection about theatre at Notre Dame.

Citing examples of productions that the "Glengarry" cast has been involved in, Kuennen said the selection of plays often tends toward the opposite extremes: established classics like "Oedipus Rex" or ultra-new works like "Crave."

"Unfortunately we don't get too many plays like 'Glengarry,' solid, modern plays that still use the standard format," Kuennen said. "When the theatre kids would talk about doing a show like this, 'Glengarry' always came up. This year I said I'm going to make it happen."

Armed with the necessary experience — having acted, directed, stage-managed and even written plays, in addition to reviving the tradition of the First Year Plays as last year's producer — Kuennen assembled an impressive, experienced cast.

"These are truly some of the elite actors of Notre Dame," said Kuennen. "It's almost unheard of to have them all together."

Kuennen assigned the parts, noting that some actors accepted smaller roles than they are used to, just to be a part of the performance.

Rehearsals started the week before spring break, allowing for only four weeks before opening night, as opposed to the eight weeks usually allotted for a main-

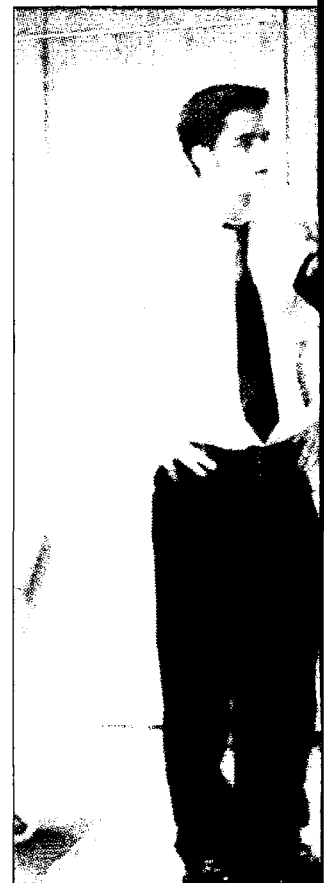
stage play. Even with several actors involved in other simultaneous productions, Kuennen said the cast sped right through, and despite such time restraints, their professional grasp on their roles is evident from the play's beginning.

Unlike so many action-driven plays, almost the entire first act of "Glengarry" consists of seated actors talking to each other. Yet the audience is drawn in by Mamet's quick, harsh exchanges, and the interplay between the characters swiftly reveals the dark reality of business negotiations and plottings.

In a competitive industry such as real estate, which pits coworkers against each other for commissions, characters like Shelly Levene (played by senior Matt Lee)

"The play is about the human tendency to think on an individual level, instead of taking into account other people around you."

Matt Lee
actor



Above left, Dave (Brendan Geary, left) conspires with George (Mike Federico, right) to rob the office that was flubbed. Above right, George (Federico, left) is stressed about talking to the police regarding the robbery.

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become obsessed with the idea of luck in order to win back an edge.

Others, like Dave Moss (senior Brenden Geary), are so embittered that they turn to manipulation and underhanded tricks to get revenge on a company that seems to be sucking the very life out of them.

"Glengarry" paints a bleak yet fascinating portrait of the cruel realities of capitalist business culture: the mind games of negotiation, the dynamics of manipulation and the relentless drive to win, no matter the cost.

The characters themselves illustrate the range of "winners" and "losers" as defined by such a greed-driven world, from the sly and conniving Richard Roma (law student Matt Holmes) to the timid victim of these selfish games, client James Lingk (senior Adel Hanash).

Hated office manager John Williamson (sophomore Tom Conner) and his nervous, underestimated employee George Aaronow (sophomore Mike Federico) complete the office staff, while senior Chris Sinnott's character Baylen throws an interesting twist into the plot.

The talent and experience of the entire cast is revealed not only in the clear delivery of their lines, but in the minute details of their stage presences: a simple gesture or a glance, even when the focus of the scene is elsewhere.

Their command of the play and its characters is nothing short of professional, a quality that Kuennen feels gives the production its energy. "The talent of these actors creates an electric vibe on stage," Kuennen said.

Lee agreed, adding that the friendship and camaraderie between the actors gave the production its cohesion. "It's wonderful to work with this caliber of talent," Lee said.

"The actors play off each other and bring out the right emotions."

The uniqueness of the "Glengarry" cast is due not only to their talent, but to the fact that they are all men. Dressed like young businessmen, in suits and ties or shirt sleeves rolled up to their elbows, the men fill the stage with an unmistakable intensity and yet still manage to keep up a light-hearted atmosphere off-stage. "Every rehearsal is more full of testosterone than the one before," Lee joked.

Stage manager Meg Ryan said that all joking aside, the all-male cast was "sometimes a challenge to work with," but the friendships among the cast kept the production going. "While it is a serious play, we still had fun putting it on," said Ryan.

"With Mamet, it's difficult not to be drawn right in by the first act," Ryan said. "[The play] is about people struggling to make it, coming to grips with what they've been given and with the past."

Lee also cited the author's writing style as both the challenge and the merit of the play. "Since Mamet writes in stream-of-consciousness, the dialogue can be choppy and difficult to act," said Lee. "It's the most realistic play I've ever done, and that's the toughest part."

As "Glengarry"'s cast is made up of sophomores and seniors, this weekend's performances will be the last at Notre Dame for some actors. "For my last show at Notre Dame, I couldn't ask for a better, more challenging character to play," said Lee.

Kuennen echoed this satisfaction: "After all this work, I hope tomorrow night will be the pinnacle of my theatre career."

The culmination of their work will take place on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. Tickets for the non-profit production are available at the door for \$5.

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"With Mamet, it's difficult not to be drawn right in by the first act."

Meg Ryan
stage manager



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Above, Richard (Holmes, left) uses high-pressure sales tactics on the introverted James (Adel Hanash, right) to close a deal. Below, director Dave Kuennen, left, and stage manager Meg Ryan give notes to the cast before beginning a dress rehearsal.



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Below center, Richard (Holmes, right) confronts John (Conner, left) about a high-pressure sale during the robbery while Richard (Holmes, right) attempts to quell his fears.



NATIONAL LEAGUE

Sheffield blasts 3rd home run in Braves' rout

Associated Press

ATLANTA
Gary Sheffield homered for the third straight game, and Andruw Jones and Chipper Jones homered during a seven-run sixth inning as the Atlanta Braves beat the Philadelphia Phillies 11-2 Thursday night.

Sheffield, acquired from Los Angeles in an offseason trade for outfielder Brian Jordan and pitcher Odalis Perez, hit a three-run homer in the first inning.

Sheffield has seven RBI this year. After getting three hits, he's batting .462 (6-for-13).

Rafael Furcal and Andruw Jones singled and Sheffield hit the first pitch he saw from Terry Adams (0-1) over the left-center field fence for a 3-0 lead.

The Phillies got to 3-2 off Jason Marquis (1-0) on Mike Lieberthal's RBI double in the fourth and Scott Rolen's first homer in the sixth.

The Braves broke it open in the bottom of the sixth, sending 10 batters to the plate with seven getting hits and scoring.

Marcus Giles, pinch-hitter Mark DeRosa and Rafael Furcal had RBI hits before Andruw Jones hit a two-run homer N his first N and Chipper Jones followed with his first of the season. Both homers came off reliever Ricky Bottalico.

Atlanta added an unearned run in the seventh on a double by Javy Lopez,

who scored when second baseman Marlon Anderson dropped a pop fly by Giles.

Marquis went six innings. The right-hander allowed five hits, two runs, walked three and struck out eight.

Adams, making his Phillies' debut after signing a free agent contract during the offseason following two years with the Los Angeles Dodgers, allowed eight hits, six runs, walked two and struck out six in 5 2/3 innings.

Houston 6, Milwaukee 3

Lance Berkman tied a club record for home runs at the start of a season with his third in three days, leading Shane Reynolds and the Houston Astros over the Milwaukee Brewers 6-3 Thursday.

Berkman has connected in all three of the Astros' games. Chris Truby homered in three straight to open last year.

Berkman drove in three runs. He went 2-for-4, raising his average to .462.

The game at Astros Field drew 21,528, the smallest crowd in three seasons at the park formerly called Enron Field. That broke the mark set Wednesday night when 23,381 fans showed up.

Reynolds (1-0) allowed two runs on seven hits in six innings.

Jamey Wright (0-1) went 4 1-3 innings and allowed four runs on seven hits and six walks.

Wright remained winless for his



AFP PHOTO

Newly-acquired Brave Gary Sheffield is greeted at home by teammates Andruw Jones and Rafael Furcal after slugging his third home run in Atlanta's 11-2 win.

career against the Astros. He is 0-6 with a 6.71 ERA in 10 starts against them.

Berkman's RBI single started the scoring in the first inning. His two-run homer in the fourth gave Houston a 3-0 lead.

In the fifth, Morgan Ensberg singled and went to third on two passed balls by catcher Paul Bako. Reynolds' squeeze bunt scored Ensberg for a 4-0 lead.

Richard Hidalgo added a two-run single in the sixth.

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NBA

Pacers' 5th straight defeat hurts playoff hopes

♦ Indiana's 95-94 loss to Atlanta drops Pacers into tie for 8th spot

Associated Press

ATLANTA Reggie Miller missed a fade-away 3-pointer at the buzzer as the Atlanta Hawks beat Indiana 95-94 Tuesday night, sending the Pacers to their fifth loss in six games.

Indiana, which never led, fell into a tie with Toronto for the eighth and final Eastern Conference playoff spot. The Raptors, who are 2-0 against Indiana this season, will play the Pacers on Sunday at Toronto and again Wednesday in Indianapolis.

Nazr Mohammed scored 18 points and Jason Terry added 17 to lead the Hawks, who avoided being swept by Indiana for first time since 1976-77, the Pacers' first NBA season.

Atlanta had a seven-point lead with 10:31 remaining after Terry fed Shareef Abdur-Rahim for a dunk that turned into a three-point play.

The Pacers tied it twice in the fourth quarter. Jermaine O'Neal, who had game-highs of 22 points and 14 rebounds, hit two free throws to tie the score at 84-84 with 4:25 remaining.

Kevin Ollie followed 2:06 later with a pair of free throws to tie it at 90-90, but the Hawks answered with a 3-pointer from Terry. After the teams each hit two foul shots on their next two possessions, Ron Artest hit two free throws to end the scoring with 1:09 remaining.

Terry missed a runner off the glass in an attempt to draw a foul, and the Pacers got a rebound from Ollie and called timeout with 9.9 seconds to go.

Austin Croshere, who hit two 3-pointers in the fourth, made an inbounds pass to Miller, who got free from the defending Atlanta's Ira Newble at the top of the key and then tried to win it over the arms of an outstretched Mohammed.

Orlando 105, Cleveland 101

With six minutes remaining and their opponent up by 10 points, all signs pointed to a loss for the Orlando Magic.

But Darrell Armstrong wasn't about to go down without a fight — as seen by the six stitches in his chin.

Armstrong scored 11 of his 18 points down the stretch and Tracy McGrady had 35 points and 14 rebounds Thursday night as Orlando rallied to beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 105-101.

In Orlando's game-ending 21-7 run, Armstrong hit three 3-pointers and a pair of free throws.

Pat Garrity added 14 points and a career-high 11 rebounds for Orlando, which cut its magic number for clinching a playoff berth to four.

Armstrong was struggling, too. He was shooting 3-for-11 through three quarters and has shot 14-for-59 (23.7 percent) on 3-pointers since mid-March.

Even more, a third-quarter collision with Cleveland's Andre Miller opened a gash in Armstrong's chin.

Bleeding on the T.D. Waterhouse Centre's hardwood is becoming a habit for Armstrong. On Sunday, a forearm from New York's Kurt Thomas created a six-stitch gash on his lip.

Armstrong began the rally with a 3-pointer with 5:45 remaining, and his second 3 cut the deficit to a point two minutes later.

After a Cleveland free throw, McGrady tied the game at 97 on a layup and Garrity put Orlando ahead for good with two foul shots at the 2:21 mark. It was the Magic's first lead since 28-26 early in the second period.

On Cleveland's ensuing possession, Ricky Davis missed a driving layup that would've tied the score. Armstrong then sealed the win with 1:46 to play on his third 3-pointer, the Magic's sixth 3-pointer of the quarter.

Orlando rallied without starting small forward Mike

Miller, who reinjured his left ankle early in the second quarter. Miller, who missed three weeks last month with a sprain, was hurt when he stepped on the foot of Cleveland's Lamond Murray.

Miller is listed as day-to-day. Davis and Zydrunas Ilgauskas each scored 21 for Cleveland, losers of seven of eight games and seven straight on the road. Andre Miller added 10 points and 15 assists, but had six turnovers.

After Jumaane Jones' fade-away jumper put Cleveland ahead 94-84, the Cavaliers missed six of eight shots and committed four turnovers down the stretch.

Orlando struggled early, missing 12 of its first 14 shots and quickly falling behind by eight points. Ilgauskas had seven points as Cleveland took a 15-7 lead. But McGrady scored 11 points in three minutes, and the first period ended with the teams tied at 22.

San Antonio 102, Houston 78

Tim Duncan had 22 points and 11 rebounds for his NBA-leading 61st double-double of the season as the San Antonio Spurs defeated the Houston Rockets 102-78 Thursday night to sweep the four-game season series.

David Robinson added 15 points, seven rebounds and three blocked shots for the Spurs, who began the night 1

1/2 games behind Dallas in the Midwest Division.

Cuttino Mobley scored 24 points for the Rockets, who lost for the eighth time in 10 games.

The Spurs are 15-4 in the second night of back-to-backs, the best in the league.

Duncan has scored 20 or more points in 22 straight games.

Houston used a 10-1 run to open an 18-10 lead with 6:50 left in the first quarter. But the Spurs answered with a 12-0 run, with Duncan scoring six of the points, to go ahead 22-18 with 3:01 left in the first.

Mobley had nine points in the second quarter, but the Spurs' balanced scoring helped them steadily pull away. San Antonio had five players with eight points apiece when it led 49-41 with 2:49 to play in the half.

At the intermission, Duncan had 12 and Steve Smith 10 as the Spurs led 55-45.

San Antonio scored the first seven points of the second half to expand its lead to 62-45.

Jason Collier's six points led a 14-2 Houston run that pulled the Rockets back to 64-59 with 5:38 to play in the third. But the Spurs outscored the Rockets 10-2 to stretch the lead back to 76-63. Duncan had 18 as San Antonio led 76-65 after three.

The Rockets were never able to cut the lead to fewer than 10 points in the final quarter.

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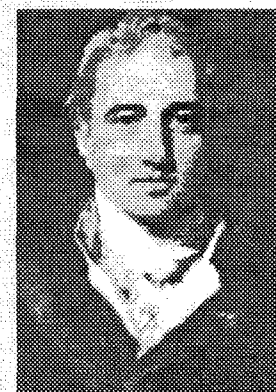
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FILM STUDIES

National Cinema: Irish Cinema and Culture IRST 334A:01 T H 9:30-10:45 Luke Gibbons Co-requisite: IRST 334L Lab T 6:30-9:00 PM

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NHL

Bure scores twice as Rangers defeat Leafs

◆ Bruins fall to Islanders, yet still extend Eastern Conference lead

Associated Press

TORONTO

Pavel Bure scored twice, including the go-ahead goal midway through the third period, leading the desperate New York Rangers to a 4-2 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs on Thursday night.

Bure was standing alone at the side of the net as linemate Eric Lindros fought off a Maple Leafs defender and fed him a loose puck. The Russian sniper easily put in the winner.

Matthew Barnaby added a goal as New York, badly outplayed by Toronto most of the game and outshot 37-24, got its third consecutive win thanks to the solid goaltending of 18-year-old rookie Dan Blackburn.

Lindros had a goal and two assists for the Rangers, who remained five points behind eighth-place Montreal for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference. The Canadiens beat Philadelphia 3-1 Thursday. New York has four games remaining and the Canadiens five.

Alexander Mogilny and Mikael Renberg scored for the Maple Leafs, fourth in the East.

Renberg tied the game 2-2 just 43 seconds into the third period on a power play, completing a three-way passing play with Mogilny and Mats Sundin.

Blackburn was brilliant at times. After not getting tested for the first six minutes, he faced 30 shots by the end of the second period, stopping all but one.

The Rangers scored on the opening shift when Bure connected for his 30th of the season at 54 seconds. Lindros did all the work, stealing the puck from Cory Cross behind the Toronto net and feeding Bure, who batted the puck out of

midair.

The Leafs didn't get a shot on Blackburn until Bryan McCabe's slapper from the point was stopped 6:15 into the game.

The Rangers went ahead 2-0 when Lindros deflected Tom Poti's centering pass behind Leafs goalie Corey Schwab.

The momentum then switched in Toronto's favor as the Leafs outshot New York 19-4 during a 20-minute stretch extending into the second period.

Mogilny made it 2-1 early in the second period when he converted a 2-on-1 pass with Travis Green, beating Blackburn on a sharp angle. The Leafs outshot the Rangers 20-5 in the period.

Islanders 2, Bruins 1 (OT)

Oleg Kvasha scored at 3:29 of overtime to give the New York Islanders a 2-1 win Thursday night, but the Boston Bruins added to their Eastern Conference lead.

The Islanders, who were outshot for the game by a 40-16 margin, nearly won in regulation, but Glen Murray scored with 2:16 left, ruining Garth Snow's bid for his third shutout in nine wins this season.

Snow still got his 100th NHL win, capping a day in which his alma mater, the University of Maine, reached the NCAA hockey finals with a 7-2 win over New Hampshire in St. Paul, Minn.

The Bruins, 1-2 since winning six straight, gained one point from the overtime loss and are five points ahead of Philadelphia, which lost to Montreal 3-1.

Kvasha's 11th goal of the season was unassisted. He put the puck between defenseman Hal Gill's skates near the Boston blue line, then cut past Sean O'Donnell, who knocked him to the ice. But as he was falling, Kvasha shot the puck between goalie Byron Dafoe's legs.

Murray had tied it in the third with his seventh goal in nine games.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Hurricanes' playbook stolen

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla.

The Miami Hurricanes carry the little green binders from meeting room to meeting room, keeping tight control on the team's formations, plays and terminology.

They take the 150-page playbooks home and to school, too, always guarding them as if they were the football equivalent of atomic secrets.

Well, they're secrets no more.

The national champions' two playbooks, one offensive and one defensive, were stolen last month and parts of them were posted on the Internet. Coral Gables police said someone took the playbooks and returned them March 28 in manila envelopes.

Team officials only learned of the theft when they got the playbooks back. Police and FBI officials are involved in the case but have no suspects, Sgt. Ed Hudak said Thursday.

"The focus of our investigation is twofold," Hudak said. "How it got stolen and how it got disseminated through the Internet."

Coach Larry Coker said Thursday he wasn't too concerned about the theft.

"The ones we hand out, they pretty much don't have a lot of meat and potatoes," he said. "They do have some basic things in them that are important, but nothing they can't get off of video."

According to a police report, two manila envelopes

arrived by mail at the university's Hecht Athletic Center on March 28. Each envelope was postmarked Tampa on March 22 and had no return address.

One was addressed to "Ken Dorsey c/o LB Coach" and "Ken Dorsey c/o QB Coach." Dorsey is the Hurricanes quarterback, in addition to being a Heisman Trophy finalist last season.

The playbooks were taken from the office of linebacker coach Vernon Hargreaves, and the playbook pages were removed from the binders, but the binders were left in the office, according to the report.

"I don't know what they got but it doesn't matter," Hargreaves said. "If nobody knows what we're doing by now, it's not going to matter." Playbooks have ended up in enemy hands before.

Indiana Pacers forward Malik Sealy left his playbook at Kennedy International Airport in 1993. The book was basically a scouting report on Indiana's playoff opponent, the New York Knicks, and detailed strengths and weaknesses of each player.

The contents were read on a national radio show just hours before the teams began a first-round playoff series, and Sealy was fined.

Former Florida coach Steve Spurrier closed practice in 1996 to the media after some of his "ball plays" ended up on a Web site.

In the NFL, playbooks are treated like trade secrets. Players can be fined thousands of dollars for losing or

misplacing them. And any player who is cut has to turn it in before he leaves camp.

The Hurricanes take similar precautions.

"There's a big policing of our playbooks," center Brett Romberg said. "If you don't have it, you're running."

Added defensive tackle Matt Walters: "Since I've been here, no one's ever lost a playbook."

Still, the Hurricanes didn't seem too concerned about their X's and O's making their way into cyberspace.

"Some guy must have lost his welfare check and he's just looking for another source of income," Romberg said. "But if he wants to do that, then he can go to bed every night thinking about selling us out. It really doesn't matter. Every team pretty much does the same thing; it's a matter of who executes the best."

Team officials checked the Internet and found playbook pages scanned on the Web site "Sandman's 4-3 Defense On-Line." The site is named after a popular defense in which four linemen are backed by three linebackers.

Team officials told local police that they didn't know how the playbooks were removed.

Jeff Merk, Miami's director of football operations, told police that "occasionally unauthorized person(s) find their way into the area of the coaches' offices and occasionally doors are left unlocked."

Changes in security already have been discussed and implemented, athletics director Paul Dee said.

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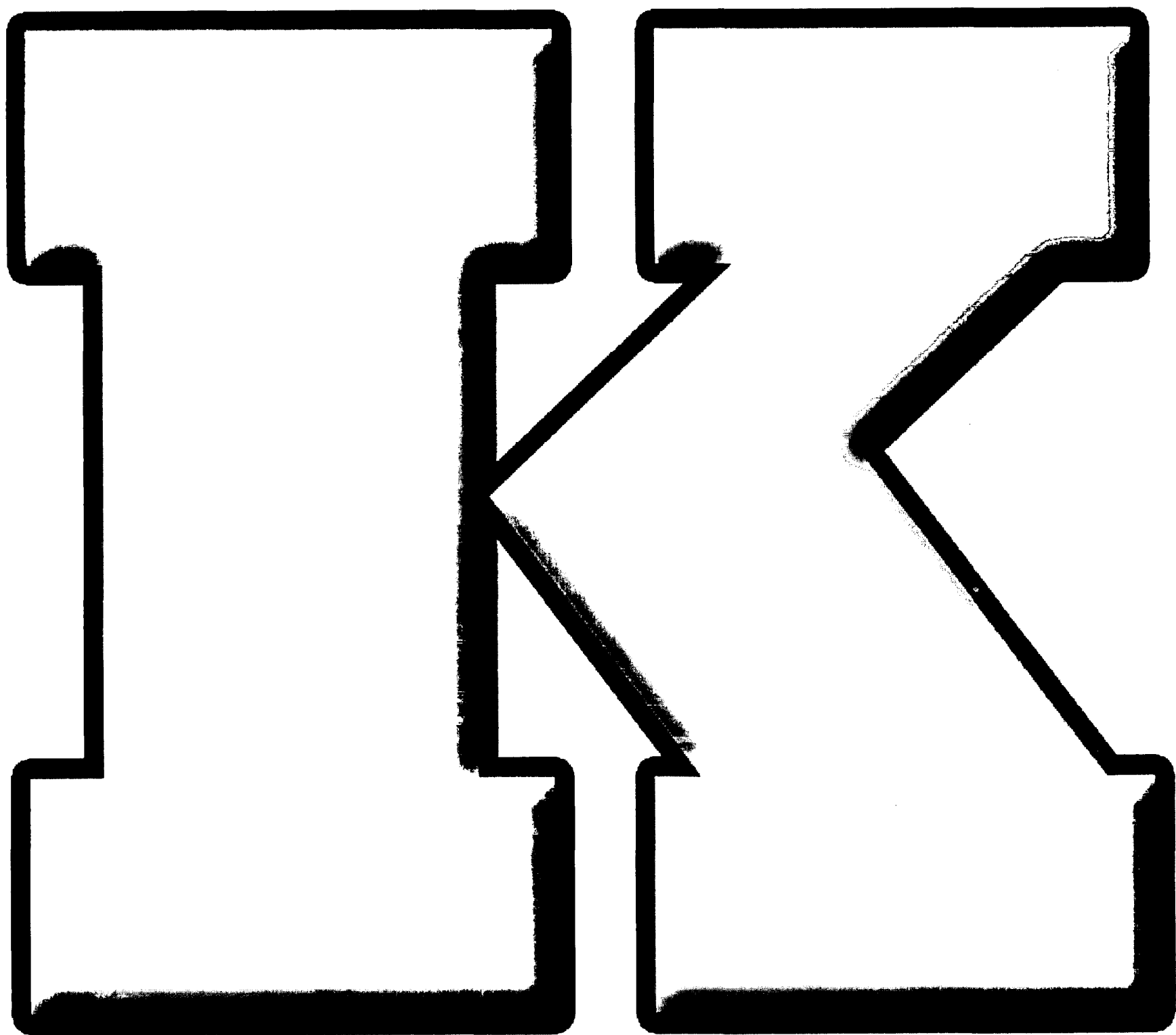
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WOMEN'S ROWING

Irish rowers test the waters of San Diego

By MARK ZAVODNYIK
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's rowing team will get a break from the blustery weather when it travels to sunny California for this weekend's annual San Diego Crew Classic.

The Irish head into San Diego with only one regatta under their belts this spring, a March 16 routing of Tennessee in which Notre Dame won four of five

On March 23 a big match-up with Michigan State was cancelled because of the weather.

Coach Martin Stone isn't concerned with the team's relative lack of competition coming into the regatta.

"We're just not going to worry about it," Stone said.

The Irish have used the time off to fuel their fire for competition.

"We are ready to get on the line. [The time off] will help," said Irish captain Michelle Olsgard. "We are ready to test our speed."

This team returns 22 rowers from last year's group that finished the year ranked 16th nationally and just missed getting a bid to the NCAA championships.

This experience, as well as the number of returning veterans, has caused many to believe that this team can compete with anybody.

"I am confident in our speed compared to last year," said Olsgard.

Coach Stone agreed.

"We have made good progress this spring. We are stronger on paper, but that doesn't necessarily transmit to the water," Stone said.

The Irish will face some tough competition at the San Diego Crew Classic. The regatta is headed by returning champion, Ohio State.

In the first varsity heat, Ohio State is seeded first, followed by Southern California, California,

Clemson, Oregon State, Notre Dame and Tulsa. The second varsity heat starts with Duke, followed by Texas, California-San Diego, Cal, UCLA and Stanford. Even the junior varsity race, which is seeded randomly, is up for grabs.

On Wednesday, the NCAA released the early spring coaches' poll. It gave further evidence as to the depth of the San Diego regatta. Of those participating in the San Diego Crew Classic, Ohio State was ranked third, with ninth-

ranked USC, 11th ranked California and 19th ranked Oregon State following close behind. Notre Dame is ranked 20th.

"This is the biggest spring regatta in the country," said Coach Stone.

Team captain Olsgard agreed. "It is real important for us to see the other teams," Olsgard said.

Even though some schools in the regatta are highly touted, this Irish squad believes that it can sneak up on some people.

"[The other teams] might underestimate us. Our goal is to make it to the finals," said Olsgard.

The San Diego Crew Classic provides Notre Dame with a chance to prove that it is among the elite crew teams in the country. The Midwest region, which contains teams such as Michigan, Michigan State and Iowa, will prove to be one of toughest regions from which to get a bid for the NCAA championships.

In distributing invitations, the NCAA selection committee focuses more on the races later in the season. Throughout its 30-year history, the San Diego Crew Classic has been known as one of the few early spring events to have NCAA championship implications.

Olsgard and the rest of the Irish are just ready to race.

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Michelle Olsgard
Irish captain

BASEBALL

Ready for the Red Storm

Associated Press

After scoring 28 runs in their two-game series against Valparaiso, the Notre Dame baseball team will look to continue their improvement against St. John's this weekend in their Big East home opener.

Seven of Notre Dame's next eight games will be against Big East foes as the team heads deeper into the conference schedule.

The Irish have reeled off six straight victories on their way to improving their record to 15-10, 3-4 in the conference.

Freshman right-hander Chris Niesel is slated to start game one of Saturday's dou-

bleheader, while another freshman, John Axford, should take the hill to begin game two.

Sunday's contest will probably see J.P. Gagne starting on the mound. The three-game rotation may seem slightly different as freshman pitcher Grant Johnson, who has several starts on the season, may move into the bullpen to occupy the much-needed closer role.

Unfortunately for Notre Dame, they will be without starting freshman shortstop Matt Macri for the rest of the season. Macri will have "Tommy John" surgery on his throwing shoulder and will not return this season.

The Irish have already lost freshman shortstop Matt

Edwards for the rest of the season to a compound leg fracture.

After suffering several early-season injuries, the Irish are finally settling into their day to day lineup.

Senior centerfielder Steve Stanley is leading the team in hitting with a .433 average, while also compiling a .496 on-base percentage.

All-American catcher Paul O'Toole leads the team with five home runs, and his 21 RBIs ties him with third baseman Andrew Bushey for the team lead.

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ND SOFTBALL

Irish top Illinois-Chicago

◆ Hot Irish hitting overcomes cold weather en route to 11-6 victory

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

On Thursday, the Notre Dame softball team finally opened its home schedule to 30-degree temperatures. However, the cold weather could not stop Notre Dame's hot bats, as Notre Dame beat Illinois-Chicago 11-6.

With the win, the Irish reach .500 at 12-12, and extend their winning streak to four.

Going back to the 2000 home season, the Irish now have a 21 game winning streak at Ivy Field continuing their impressive hitting were senior captain Jarrah Myers and junior Lisa Mattison. Myers went two for two, scored three runs and got on base in all four of her plate appearances.

Mattison drove in a career high four runners and went three for four. She is hitting .800 in Notre Dame's past four games.

Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf believes the team's offense is just putting all the pieces together.

"I think they are clicking. I think it's timing. I think it's rhythm," Gumpf said. "I think they are all believing they should be doing it now. We went through a lot. We played a lot of great teams. We went through a lot of growing pains.

Now I think they believe in each other and believe in themselves."

After the Flames scored a run in the top of the first, the Irish responded with three in the bottom of the inning. With the score tied at one, freshman Liz Hartmann's single drove in two and put the Irish ahead 3-1.

In the second, Notre Dame broke the game open, thanks to two of Illinois-Chicago's five errors. Junior Alexis Madrid reached on an error to open the inning. After senior Jenny Kreich flied out to center, Megan Ciolli was hit by a pitch. Junior Andrea Loman singled to score Madrid, and put the Irish up 4-1.

Ciolli came around to score on a wild pitch and make the score 5-1. Myers walked, and the Irish executed a double steal to take a 6-1 lead. Andria Bledsoe reached on the second error of the inning and scored with Myers on Mattison's double.

With four innings completed, the Irish seemed to be in control with a 10-3 lead. However, their intensity lessened, and they let the Flames have another chance.

"Illinois-Chicago is the kind of team that can come back at any moment and beat you," Gumpf said. "We let them in the ballgame. We were dominating them in the first four innings and we let them back in the ballgame and that's our fault. We got sloppy and we got a little lazy because we were ahead."

Freshman Carrie Wisen relieved fellow freshman

Steffany Stenglein in the top of the fifth with the score 10-3. Stenglein (9-8) went four innings to pick up the win. She gave up three runs on five hits and struck out three.

The first three batters for Illinois-Chicago reached in the fifth. A single from Amanda Rivera gave the Flames their fourth run of the game. On a wild pitch two runners scored to cut the Irish lead to four. Wisen recovered to retire nine of the next 11 batters she would face and preserved the victory for the Irish.

Notre Dame took advantage of Illinois Chicago's sloppy play. The Flames committed five errors — which led to five unearned runs — and had two wild pitches and two passed balls.

Gumpf was surprised with their bad play.

"I think that they are not usually like that," Gumpf said. "They are a big strong team. They don't usually make a lot of mistakes."

This weekend, the Irish travel to play St. John's and Seton Hall in Big East conference action. St. John's is 0-2 in the Big East while Seton Hall is 4-0.

"Those are big, huge games for us, conference games. They're both good teams," Gumpf said. "St. John's is a really scrappy team. They'll beat you on a bad day. Seton Hall is a great team. So it's going to be a huge weekend for us."

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SMC TENNIS

Belles set for home test against Alma

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The Alma Scots brought in some new faces, hoping to find balance between veteran play and young energy, but they still haven't found that balance. As they head into Saturday's match against the Belles, they bring with them only two wins and a preponderance of doubles losses.

However, with six new freshman faces, Alma may yet find its groove and hit Saint Mary's with something the team hasn't seen yet.

"You never know what recruits or new players somebody has," said Dee Stevenson, Belles head coach. "So you have to be prepared for new players somebody might bring in."

Alma's Megan Hlavaty may bring the biggest challenge for Saint Mary's. Switching off at the No. 3 and No. 4 singles spots, Hlavaty has brought home three wins, more than most of the other members of her team.

However, she will be facing off against Saint Mary's Kaitlin Cutler or Kris Spriggle. Both women are undefeated in MIAA play and are focused on keeping their records clean. Despite the fact that neither woman has faced off against Hlavaty, some warm-up time may give them enough to get a feel for her game.

"Really, [I'm going to] just take it as it comes in the warm-up, get a feel for how they play and what their strengths and weaknesses are, and work with that during the match," Spriggle said.

The sophomore missed last year's match against Alma, so she will be facing the Scots for

the first time.

The rest of the team is feeling comfortable heading into Saturday's home match. In addition to facing competition that is having a slow season, they will be back on home courts with surfaces they are used to.

During their last two matches at Adrian and Olivet, the Belles were playing on a surface referred to as Tartan Turf, complete with lines for basketball and volleyball play.

"You have to learn to adjust to different types of surfaces," Stevenson said. "I just go around reminding them how they have to adjust ahead of time. It helps to have experience playing on all different surfaces."

Despite the experience the Belles might be getting playing on various surfaces, being back on a surface they're used to is a big relief for them.

"It's nice to play on something that you're familiar with," Spriggle said. "The courts are very nice."

The Alma doubles teams have won a total of four matches out of the 18 that they have played this season. Alma's No. 1 doubles team of Sarah Pipas and Emily Brookhouse have only had one victory and should prove an easy match for the sister team of Annie and Jeanne Knish. No. 2 doubles should similarly prove a lopsided competition for Elisa Ryan and Cutler. Alma's No. 3 doubles team, even with Hlavaty playing, has only taken home two victories, and Spriggle and Angie Sandner's match should prepare the pair for tough league competition.

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MEN'S GOLF

Marshall Invitational to be critical tuneup

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame men's golf team returns to action this weekend for their final tuneup the Big East Championship when the Irish participate in the 33rd annual Marshall Invitational in Huntington, W.Va. The tournament will be played at the par 71, 6,446-yard Guyan Golf and Country Club and features 20 teams from the Midwest.

Last year, the Irish finished 13th in the 19-team tournament, firing their best 54-hole total of the year, with a 28-over par 880 (298-289-293). Alex Kent was the top finisher with a three-over par 216. Steve Ratay, the only current team member to play last year, tied for 59th with a 12-over par 220.

The Marshall Invitational will be the final tune-up for the Irish before hosting the Big East Tournament at the Warren Country Club on April 20 and 21.

Joining the Irish this year are Akron, Ball State, Bowling Green, Eastern Kentucky, Eastern Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisville, Marshall, Miami (Ohio), Michigan, Ohio University, Ohio State, Toledo, Wisconsin, Wright State and Xavier.

Ratay has been Notre Dame's top golfer all season with three top-five finishes and five top-20 performances on the year. His average for the year stands at 72.74 which would break the Irish record of 73.13 (Joe Grace, 1955-56), which has stood for 46 years. For his career, Ratay owns a 74.53 average for 96 rounds that ranks him second all-time, just .10 off the career mark of 74.43, which is held by Charles Thurn (1956-58).

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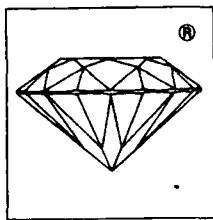
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Davie's final three years and hadn't won a bowl game since 1993.

However, Willingham doesn't necessarily think changing offensive schemes or juggling players will lead to success. The most important change he wants to make involves the Irish attitude.

Willingham called the negative attitude surrounding Notre Dame football a result of the "Eeyore Cloud," named for the pessimistic donkey in "Winnie the Pooh." The goal of the new coaching staff is to break through the downbeat attitude surrounding the Irish football program.

"There is this sense that something is wrong, that something is not right, that we lost something," he said. "If everyone walks around believing we lost something, the natural tendency is for us to put our heads down and start looking around the ground for something that is lost."

"Well, I bet if we said, 'Gosh, this is a bright sun-shiny day,' I think we might have more peo-

ple pick their heads up and look for the sun as opposed to something that is lost. We've got to start creating that attitude, that there are great things that are about to happen."

It won't be easy, though, to make the switch rapidly. The Irish need to adjust to Willingham's unique coaching style and Willingham needs to adjust his coaching philosophy to his players.

The Irish also have to address several personnel issues. Just because a player started last year doesn't mean he is guaranteed to start again this year, Willingham said. Likewise, someone who saw limited playing time may have the opportunity in spring practice to leap up in the depth chart.

And Irish players must learn the terminology used by Willingham's offensive and defensive coaches to avoid communication mix-ups.

But no matter what changes need to be made, Willingham insists the team's focus should never deviate from the ultimate goal.

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1993, the Irish compiled a 64-9 record, including a 5-1 record in bowl games.

But sadly, as Irish fans know all too well, Notre Dame has fallen and fallen hard in the years since, tallying a 58-36 record from 1994 to the present, with zero bowl wins.

To find when Notre Dame's football team struggled this much, you'll have to go all the way back to 1950-1965 era. During this time, the Irish had a few good years (much like 1998 and 2000), but had several losing seasons and failed to win a national championship. And while the Gerry Faust years weren't exactly memorable, remember that they only lasted five years before Lou Holtz rode in on his white horse to save Irish football.

Willingham faces much the same situation as Holtz did.

He has to turn around a program that hasn't contended for a national championship in eight seasons.

And he has to handle the pressure of turning around a program that is in serious trouble of being looked at by the college

football world as an afterthought and a has-been.

As each football season passes without 10 wins or a bowl victory, the Irish lore fades a little more. And you can bet that sooner than later, the once proud Irish football tradition will become just that — once proud.

It seems every time Notre Dame's program has gone a few years without a national championship, a new head coach has come in and saved the day.

Knute Rockne put Notre Dame on the map with three national titles. Frank Leahy made them a powerhouse by winning four. Ara Parseghian revived a program that had had a losing record under coach Joe Kuharich and won two. Dan Devine carried on Parseghian's success and added another. Finally, Holtz catapulted the Irish back to the top with the magical 1988 season.

In 2002, the Irish football team once again finds itself in need of guidance in order to become a national championship contender. Hopefully, Willingham can be the man to get them there.

But think what will happen if he doesn't. If Willingham doesn't win the way Notre Dame fans expect, the Irish football program will be in serious trouble of

not contending in college football for a very long time.

Despite not coaching any of his new players in a practice, let alone a game, Willingham understands this dilemma, and knows he must get his teams to win, and win a lot.

"You want everyone associated with the program to take great pride and feel very good about the program and what we're about to do and what we will do," Willingham said.

"It's starting to live up to that slogan that 'We are ND' and start living that; that's what it's all about."

Notre Dame needs Willingham to step up and single-handedly turn around its besieged program.

In the end, he will either lead the Irish out of the doldrums and make them national championship contenders, or he'll fall into the company of Faust and Bob Davie as coaches who couldn't get the job done.

It's all up to Willingham and his ability to back up his promises.

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Breaking down spring practice

Quarterbacks

- ◆ Key losses: none
- ◆ Returning starter: Rising junior Carlyle Holiday
- ◆ Players to watch: Rising juniors Matt LoVecchio and Jared Clark

And these guys thought they went through the quarterback controversy last year.

Offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick's offense will require a quarterback who can throw the ball effectively and make smart decisions on offense. While Holiday was the starter for most of last season, he struggled throwing the ball and may not fit into Diedrick's offense.

Clark has only played four snaps — all in garbage time of games last year — but he is the best thrower of the trio. He's been itching for a chance to prove himself, and reportedly injured his hand because he was working so hard in the off-season.

LoVecchio led the Irish to the Fiesta Bowl in 2000 as a freshman, but struggled the first two games of last season and was replaced by Holiday. However, he jumped into the starting role as a freshman because he had the best command of the offense. Can he learn the West Coast offense as quickly?

Running backs

- ◆ Key losses: Tony Fisher and Terrance Howard
- ◆ Returning starters: Rising senior Julius Jones and fifth-year senior Tom Lopienski
- ◆ Players to watch: Rising sophomores Ryan Grant and fifth-year senior Mike McNair

Notre Dame's offense only averaged a paltry 3.9 yards per rushing attempt last year. Stanford's supposedly pass-happy offense, on the other hand, cranked out 4.9 yards a carry. The key is finding the right running backs to use.

While Jones has shown flashes of greatness, everybody keeps waiting for a breakout season that hasn't happened

yet. Grant showed great promise in limited playing time last year.

The fullback position, which was a glorified blocker under Bob Davie, could emerge as a potential offensive weapon this season. But in general, the fullback is slowly being phased out of college offenses across the nation. Lopienski and McNair could both increase the number of carries, but probably won't make any significant contributions.

Receivers

- ◆ Key losses: Javin Hunter and David Givens
- ◆ Returning starters: Fifth-year senior Arnaz Battle
- ◆ Players to watch: Rising juniors Omar Jenkins, Ronnie Rodamer and Lorenzo Crawford and rising sophomores Carlos Campbell and Matt Shelton

Ironically, two quality receivers who rarely saw the ball will graduate as a pass-happy offense is implemented at Notre Dame. But the departure of Hunter and Givens leaves a huge void that could be filled any of several players in what is easily the deepest position on the Irish squad.

Plagued by injuries, Battle didn't do anything special in his first year as a flanker. The former starting quarterback will have one more chance to make his mark at Notre Dame, but he'll be pushed by a group of talented, but inexperienced, receivers.

Jenkins leads the returning wide-outs in receptions, but he only has seven. Rodamer and Crawford only have one catch between them. Campbell also has one catch and Shelton is one of the fastest players on the team.

It is important for the current group of receivers to make an impact this spring before highly-touted recruits Maurice Stovall and Rhema McKnight arrive in the fall.

Tight ends

- ◆ Key losses: John Owens
- ◆ Returning starters: none
- ◆ Players to watch: Rising senior Gary Godsey, rising junior Billy Palmer and rising sophomore Matt Root

Last season at Stanford, the tight ends averaged two catches per game. Last season at Notre Dame, the tight ends were lucky to be thrown the ball at all.

Godsey figures to have the edge over Palmer and Root, but the spring will be a battle for these players to establish themselves on the depth chart.

Offensive line

- ◆ Key losses: Kurt Vollers
- ◆ Returning starters: Fifth-year seniors Jordan Black and Sean Mahan and rising seniors Jeff Faine, Brennan Curtin and Sean Milligan
- ◆ Players to watch: Rising sophomores Mark LeVoi, Darin Mitchell, Zach Giles and Dan Stevenson

Notre Dame's offensive line starters appear to be firmly in place. Where the start is the big question.

Faine will anchor the offense at center and Curtin will probably be at tackle, but they're really the only two in place for sure. Injuries caused Black, Mahan and Milligan to bounce between the tackle and guard slots — where they will end up is still a mystery.

It will be imperative for the Irish to develop the second-string during the spring. And maybe LeVoi could sneak into the starting lineup if he impresses coaches.

Defensive line

- ◆ Key losses: Anthony Weaver, Grant Irons and Andy Wisne
- ◆ Returning starters: Fifth-year senior Ryan Roberts and rising seniors Darrell Campbell and Cedric Hilliard
- ◆ Players to watch: Rising juniors Kyle Budinscak and

Greg Pauly

The loss of Weaver hurts not only the defensive line, but the entire team. His leadership will be extremely difficult to replace.

Depth is an issue for the Irish along the defensive line. While Budinscak and Roberts will probably play defensive end, they lack the size of Weaver and Irons. Campbell and Hilliard will play solid along the interior, but beyond those four, no Irish backup has any significant game experience.

Pauly arrived as a highly-touted recruit, but injuries have kept him from being a factor for the Irish. Rising sophomores Brian Beidatsch and Jeff Thompson could make an impact in the spring, but it is unlikely they will crack the starting lineup.

Linebackers

- ◆ Key losses: Rocky Boiman and Tyreo Harrison
- ◆ Returning starter: Courtney Watson
- ◆ Players to watch: Fifth-year senior Carlos Pierre-Antoine, rising junior Mike Goolsby and rising sophomores Corey Mays and Brandon Hoyte

Numbers aren't a question for the Irish linebackers, but quality is. Aside from Watson, no other Irish linebacker has seen significant playing time. Then again, people were saying the same thing last year about Watson, who had little game experience but did a stellar job all season long.

Could Pierre-Antoine, a highly-touted recruit who has never lived up to his billing, crack the starting lineup? Goolsby, who hasn't been shy about sharing his desire to see more playing time, was expected to split time with Watson last year until Watson played superbly. Top-notch recruits Mays and Hoyte could also be a factor.

Secondary

- ◆ Key losses: Ron Israel

◆ Returning starters: Fifth-year seniors Donald Dykes and Shane Walton, rising seniors Glenn Earl, Gerome Sapp and Jason Beckstrom, rising juniors Abram Elam and Preston Jackson and rising sophomore Dwight Ellick

Last year, the secondary was considered a weakness entering the spring. This year, it's far and away Notre Dame's strongest unit.

The safeties provide a strong combination of experience and talent. Dykes, Sapp, Earl and Elam probably rotate throughout the spring until one establishes himself. While no player is a clear standout, all four are solid safeties.

Walton is the team's best cornerback, and he is poised to have a tremendous year next season. While Duff was the other starter, he could be challenged by Beckstrom and Ellick. One of Duff's strongest aspects is his blazing speed, but Beckstrom and Ellick are both faster.

Special teams

- ◆ Key losses: Adam Tibble
- ◆ Returning starters: Fifth-year senior John Crowther and rising seniors Joey Hildbold and Nicholas Setta

Under Davie, Notre Dame's special team's units were always among the nation's best. Will that excellence continue under Willingham?

Setta emerged as a consistent kicker last season, but he will have to find a new holder with Tibble graduating. Hildbold's punting skills will continue to be a strong suit for the Irish kicking game.

The biggest question mark for the Irish is the return game. In the past, running back Julius Jones and cornerback Vontez Duff have returned both punts and kickoffs. They should both continue to be the return specialists, but the coaching staff could experiment with a wide variety of players.

Women

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meter. Joining Boyd in the 100 is classmate Kristen Dodd, although Dodd will be running more in the 200- and 400-meters this season.

"I think Ayesha is probably our top 100-meter runner," sprinting coach John Millar said. "We're going to use her as the one to count on."

The 200-meter group features the most depth in the sprinting squad, with Boyd once again leading the group. Joining Boyd in the 200 are senior Liz Grow, junior Kymia Love and Dodd, who make the nucleus of the sprinting team. Completing the 200-meter group are freshmen Latasha Steele and Tricia Floyd.

"This year is more of a learning process for them," Millar said of Steele and Floyd. "As we get into next year the expectations on those two will be higher."

In the 400-meter, it is essentially the same girls running who run in the 200 - Boyd, Love, Dodd and Grow.

"We have some depth in these events," Millar said. "In the 200 we're solid with the individuals that we have, and the same in the 400."

The relay teams for the Irish women are phenomenal in comparison with relay teams of the past. The mile relay team consisting of Boyd, Dodd, Love and Grow holds the school record both indoors and outdoors and finished ninth at nationals at the NCAA indoor championship. The 4x100 relay team is essentially the same, with Tameisha King taking the place of Love.

"We should be top eight in the country in both relays," Millar said.

The last of the sprinting events are the 100- and 400-meter hurdles, in which Gunn and King will be competing. Gunn, who never lost a high school race in the 300-meter hurdles, will be the top runner for the Irish in the 400.

Distance

The distance team for the Irish is young but experienced. The Irish will retain all seven girls who took a combined 19th-place finish at the 2001

NCAA Cross Country Championships. The freshman will have a big impact on the Irish this season. Lauren King and Kerry Meagher had strong indoor seasons, and Christi Arnerich will join them in scoring during the outdoor season.

In the 800-meter, the Irish feature a strong contingent of four girls - Lauren King, Kerry Meagher, Ana Morales, and Megan Johnson. Meagher, whose high school best was 2:15, has improved her time to 2:12 during the indoor season. Junior Kristin Flood joins the 800 group with a personal best time of 2:15.59.

The 1500-meter group is highlighted by the success of King, who was the only freshman to qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships this year. During the indoor season, King posted a personal best mile time of 4:44.60 and in her first 1500-meter race of the outdoor season, she ran a ninth-place time of 4:22.89. Both King and Johnson will concentrate on the 1500 instead of the 800 during the outdoor season.

"[King and Johnson] are the two kids that we're going to rely on in the 1500," distance coach Tim Connelly said.

Notre Dame's steeplechase specialists will be Arnerich and Emily Showman. Both were soccer players in high school, which serves them well for this event. While Arnerich will make her steeplechase debut on Saturday, Showman has already qualified for the Big East meet with an effort of 11:25.36.

Completing the distance team are the 5000- and 10,000-meter runners. Junior Jen Handley has been at the forefront of this group all year, finishing fifth in the 3000 and fourth in the 5000 at the Big East indoor meet. Last weekend, she ran a personal best time in the 5000 with a time of 16:28.55, shattering her previous best by 12 seconds.

Also hoping to score for the Irish this season are Jen Fibuch, Katie Wales and Melissa Schmidt. Connelly thinks that Fibuch will be the top runner for the Irish in the 10,000.

"Based on what she's done in the 5000 and based on the



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A pack of Irish runners competes in a meet at Loftus during the indoor the season. The women's team begins its outdoor season at home this weekend.

way she's been training, she'll be the one who can run a very, very good 10,000 for us," Connelly said.

Field Events

The field events for the Irish women are very deep this year. Just like the distance team, the field events team is both experienced and young, losing only pole-vaulter Natalie Hallett after this year.

In the long jump, junior Tameisha King has consistently been very strong. She competed at the NCAA indoor championships in March, finishing 13th place overall.

The pole vault features one

of the deepest groups amongst the field events. Juniors Jamie Volkmer and Jill Van Weelden, combined with Hallett all scored in the Big East indoor meet in the pole vault. Volkmer's best in the pole vault is 3.8 meters, which is the school record, while Van Weelden's is 3.5 meters.

Volkmer is the sole Irish competitor in the triple jump this year, where she finished sixth-place at the Big East indoor meet with a jump of 39 feet, 2.5 inches.

The high jump is another event in which the Irish show great depth, where Emily Loomis, Betsy Lazzeri and

Jennifer Kearney all scored in the Big East meet.

The throw events for the women have been greatly improved with the presence of freshman Kate Duman, who set the school record in the javelin in her first collegiate meet with a throw of 126 feet, 7 inches. Junior Andre Duplechain and freshman Lauren DellaVolpe join Duman in the javelin, where all three have qualified for the Big East meet. The girls will also be competing in the hammer, shot put and discus events.

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Watson, who missed the entire outdoor season last year with a leg injury, is currently ranked fourth in the nation in the 5,000-meters after breaking Shay's school record with a 13:44.92 mark at Stanford. The senior was also the Big East champion in the steeplechase two years ago.

Sophomore Todd Mobley, provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships at Stanford. Mobley posted a time of 29:11.35 in the 10,000 meters and placed fifth in the Big East in the 5,000 meters during the indoor season.

"He's been working hard since last summer," Shay said of Mobley.

The Irish also are looking for points during the outdoor season from senior Pat Conway and sophomore Kevin Somok in the 1,500-meters and freshman Eric Morrison in the 800-meters, an event in which he finished sixth at the Big East Indoor Championships.

Sophomore David Alber and junior Brian Kerwin will be counted on to contribute in the 5000-meters as well.

Sprints/Hurdles

In the short-distance events, the Irish will be participating short-handed without their most effective sprinter of the indoor season as freshman Dwight Ellick, who finished third in the Big East in both the 60-meter and 200-meter dashes, spends his spring on the football practice field. There is a chance Ellick might return for the Big East Championships in May.

The Irish also will be participating short-handed in the

longer sprints, as junior Nicholas Setta, who finished 13th in the Big East in the 500-meters, also returns to football while sophomore James Bracken, the team's best 400-meter runner during the indoor season, has left the team.

Remaining to lead the Irish in the 100- and 200-meters are sophomores Jules Vandersarl and Ryan Hurd as well as senior William "Red" Croker. The Irish might also get some contributions from long jumpers Tom Gilbert and Godwin Mbagwu, who will run the 100 and 200-meter dashes this weekend.

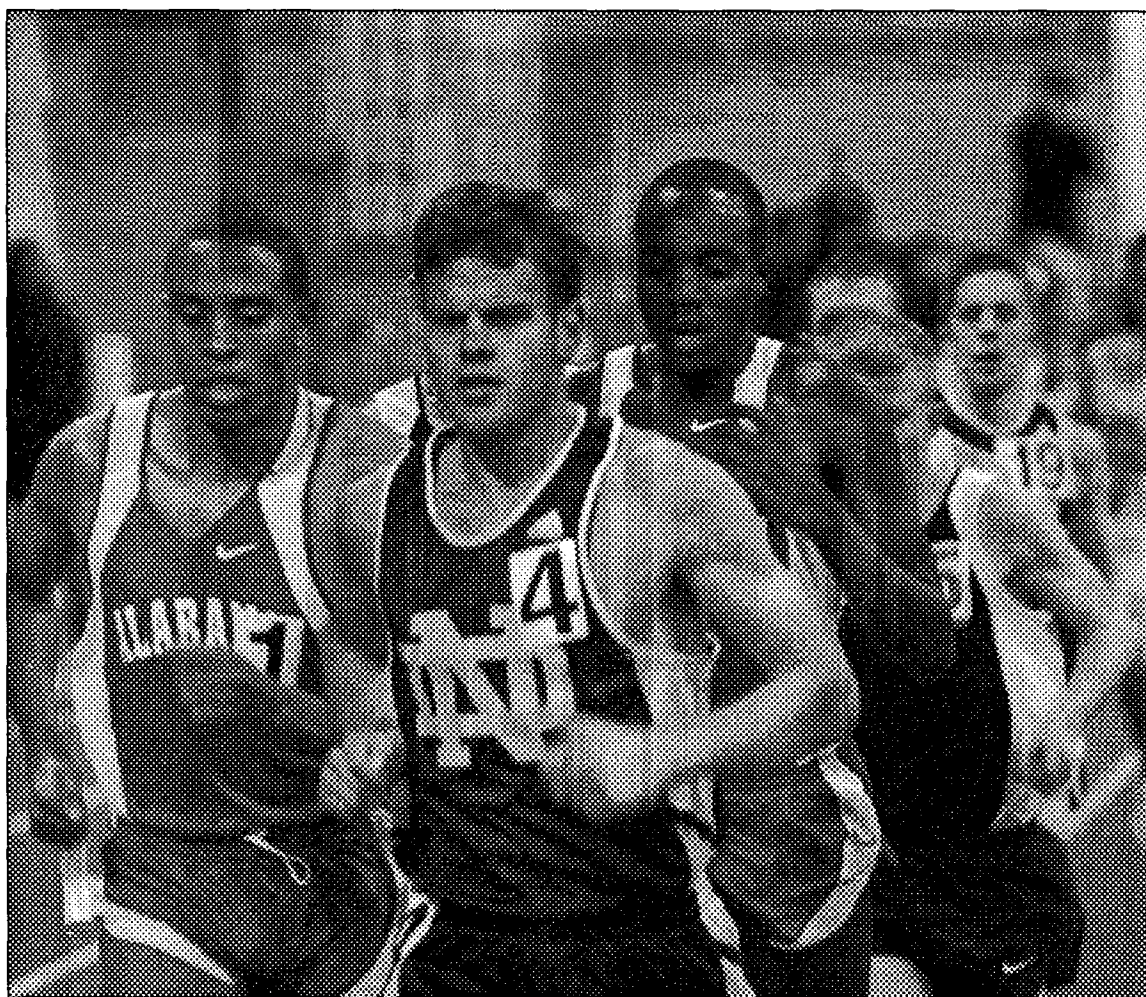
In the 400-meters, the Irish had an impressive showing last weekend at the Purdue Invitational, as four runners crossed the line in the top 20, led by freshman Trevor McClain's seventh-place time of 49.48 seconds. Seniors Mike Mansour and Nick Saracco will also be counted on in the quarter mile, while both Croker and Hurd have experience in the event as well.

In the hurdles, the Irish feature talented young athletes in both the 110-meter highs and 400-meter intermediates. In the 110-meters, freshman Selim Nurudeen placed second at Purdue last weekend with a 14.23 second mark after finishing fourth at the Baldy Castillo meet in Arizona a week earlier.

Nurudeen also will be counted on in the 400-meter hurdles, where he finished fifth in Arizona with a time of 53.51 seconds. Sophomores Napoleon Suarez and Mark Barber, who took seventh and eighth in the event at Purdue last weekend, will also be counted on.

Jumps

If the Irish can remain



BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Senior Ryan Shea competes at a meet during the indoor season this year at Mevo Field. The Irish kick off their outdoor season at home this weekend.

healthy in the jumps, they could do some serious damage.

In the high jump, the Irish are led by senior Quillian Redwine, who tied for third in the Big East during the indoor season when he sailed over the 6-foot-7 mark.

Freshman Chris Staron, a two-time Illinois state champion who tied Redwine at the Big East meet, also will be counted on for points.

In the long jump, the Irish are looking for big things from junior Tom Gilbert, who finished fifth in the long jump at the previous two Big East Outdoor Championships. Gilbert was second in the Big East during the indoor season in the event.

Sophomore Mbagwu, who has struggled with tendonitis in his knees, will be counted on in both the long jump and triple jump. Mbagwu placed 11th in the Big East in the long jump and fifth in the triple jump during the indoor

season. Redwine also excels in the triple jump for the Irish, placing sixth at the Big East meet, just 2.75 inches behind Mbagwu, with a leap of 47-feet-4.5 inches. Junior Scott Kelley also competes for the Irish in the triple jump.

In the pole vault, the Irish are a one-man show named Josh Heck. The senior, who placed seventh in the Big East with a vault of 15-feet-3, is expected to approach the 16-foot mark.

"He needs to finish out his career and be happy with the way he finishes out," jumps coach Scott Winsor said. "I know he's not happy with where he's at right now."

Throws

In the throws, the Irish are led by senior Derek Dyer in the weights and junior Mike Madigan in the javelin.

Dyer placed fifth in Arizona with a career-best toss of 53-feet, 11 3/4 inches in the shot

put and also finished sixth with a 156-10 throw in the discus.

Dyer placed second in the Big East in the discus last season.

In the hammer throw, freshman Chip Roberts had a promising start to his outdoor career at Purdue last weekend, throwing 156-5 for a 13th-place finish, tops among Irish throwers.

"We need some of our upperclassmen hammer throwers to step it up a little bit. Chip Roberts threw great for a freshman hammer thrower," Winsor said. "He's doing a great job."

Junior Brian Thornburg, who finished 11th in the Big East in the weight throw during the indoor season, and sophomore Juan Alba also will be counted on for the Irish in the weight throws.

Madigan, who tossed a career-best 200-6 at the Big East Championships last year to finish seventh, finished 12th at Arizona and fifth at Purdue so far this season.

"We're trying to make a couple of technical changes with his throw, it's a timing thing with his release," Winsor said. "I don't worry about Mike, Mike is a heck of a competitor."

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MEN'S LACROSSE

Rebounding Irish return to road at Butler

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

Sometimes playing on the road is not such a bad thing. Just ask the Notre Dame men's lacrosse team.

After limping to a 1-5 record in the first six games of the season, the Irish found new life last week with two impressive road victories over Denver and Air Force. The 18th-ranked Irish will find themselves on the road again this Sunday when they travel to Indianapolis to take on the Butler Bulldogs.

"This team has really grown a lot since the beginning of the season."

Chris Richez
Irish attacker

Sunday's contest marks the third game of a four game road trip for Notre Dame.

"Playing on the road is not always a bad thing," said Kevin Corrigan, Irish head coach. "I think playing on the road can be an advantage. Sometimes it's easier to focus because there's only one thing on your mind to win the game. At home, you have to deal with a lot more distractions off the field."

This game will be a pivotal Great Western Lacrosse League showdown for both teams. Notre Dame currently sits atop the division with a 2-0 league record, while Butler is 0-1 in league play as a result of an 11-7 loss to Fairfield earlier this season. Sunday's game will be critically important for both teams as they look to remain in contention for the league title, which earns an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

"Butler has been giving us fits for years," said Corrigan. "We expect it to be a tough game, but right now we just have to continue to play hard in practice. Last week, we had a great week of practice, and that gave us the momentum to play with confidence against Denver and Air Force."

The Irish players know they must maintain their intensity if

they hope to come away with a victory against the Bears.

"We can't really worry about who we play," said freshman attacker Chris Richez. "We just need to play our game whether it's against Virginia or Butler. We have to play each game the same way in order to be successful."

The key to Notre Dame's recent success has been the play of the offense. After struggling to find ways to score through the first six games, the Irish experienced an offensive explosion in last week's games. After a crushing 15-5 loss to Hofstra, the Irish tallied a season-high 15 goals

against Denver, and followed up that performance with nine goals against Air Force.

Corrigan believes the play of his second midfield, led by Richez and junior Travis Wells, is the reason for Notre Dame's dramatic improvement. Both Wells and Richez scored their first career hat tricks in the Air Force and Denver games respectively.

"Before last week, our second midfield only scored three points all season," said Corrigan. "Last week, Travis Wells and Chris Richez, along with Owen Mulford and John Mulford, played great. We don't have any superstars on offense so everyone needs to contribute for us to win."

Richez echoed the sentiments of his coach, citing the strong week of practice as the reason for the offensive explosion.

"This team has really grown a lot since the beginning of the season," said Richez. "The loss against Hofstra was a real wake-up call. We prepared really well in practice for Air Force and Denver. We need to keep practicing hard as we get ready for Butler."

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Sophomore midfielder Steve Claggett tries to elude a defender in Notre Dame's last home game against Hofstra. The Irish have won their last two games on the road and travel to Butler Sunday.

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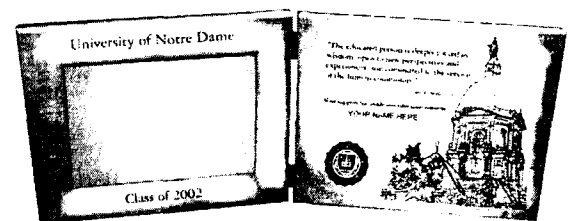
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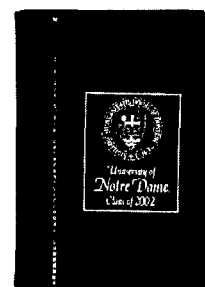
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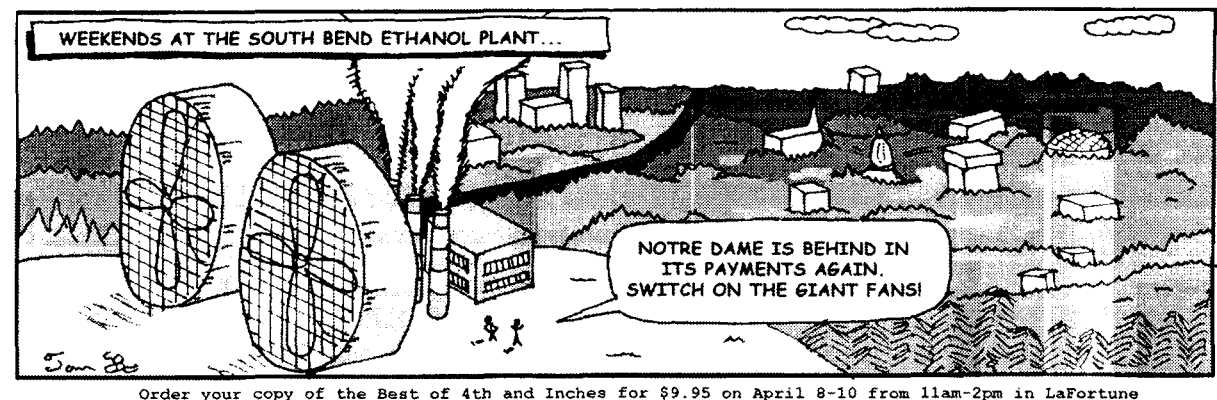
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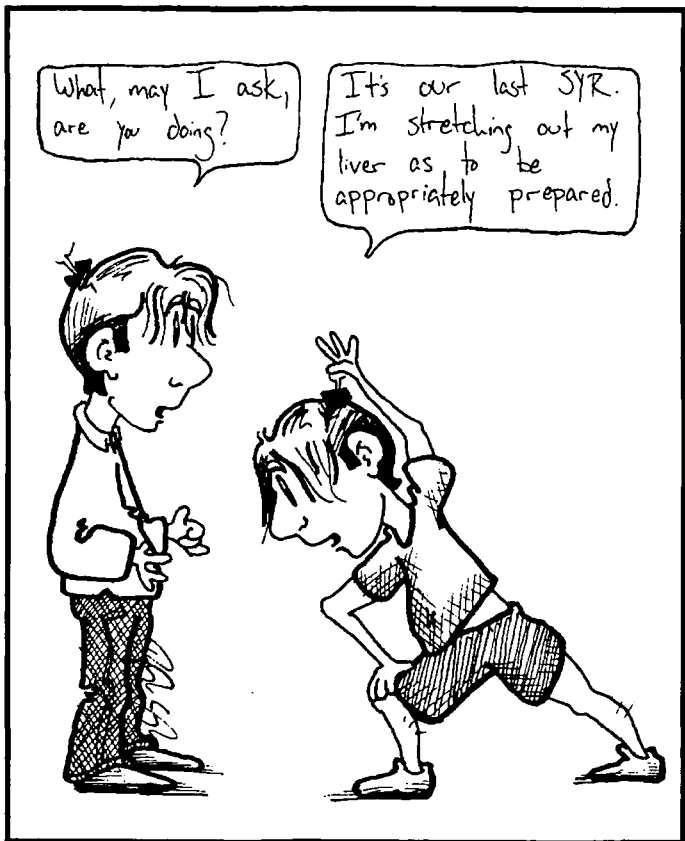
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17 Like a pope, old-style

18 Window-shop

19 W.W. II spy grp.

20 Motorcade units

22 Pitter-patter maker

23 Pack

25 Tow truck hook-up, maybe

26 Animal houses

27 60's dos

29 New Jersey's state tree

31 Big name in security

33 Canal zones?

34 Nov. honoree
- 37 Poddled seeds

39 Military duty?

41 Head lines, for short?

42 Salade nicoise ingredient

44 Heavy

45 Cut corners

47 Bergen sidekick

48 "Adia" singer McLachlan

51 "A ___ should not mean / But be": MacLeish

53 Didn't just tiptoe into the water

54 Oaf

55 Op Art and Pop Art

57 Needlefish

58 Welcome offer to a dishwasher

60 Sydney salutation
- DOWN**

1 Subject to being challenged

2 Like some refrigerators

3 Not allowing to speak one's mind

4 Player with 511 career home runs

5 Strong arms?

6 Direct

7 Perfect pitch, maybe

8 This shouldn't be loose

9 Foreign attorneys' degs.

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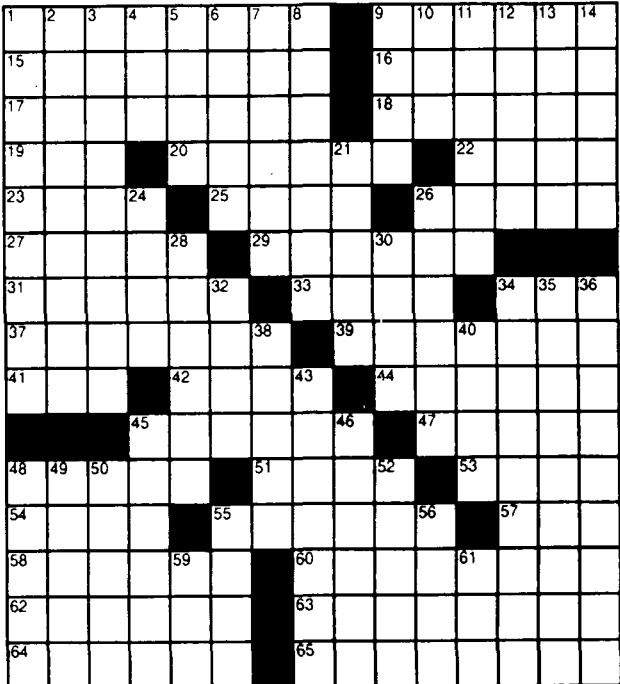
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FOOTBALL

Spring into action



BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

First-year head coach Tyrone Willingham addresses the media at a press conference Thursday. The football team will begin three weeks of spring practices starting Saturday. Willingham hopes to quickly turn around an Irish squad that went 5-7 last year.

◆ Irish football returns to live action Saturday for the beginning of spring practices

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

There is a cloud hanging over the Notre Dame football program that Tyrone Willingham intends to blow away — right away.

"We've got the best tradition, the best history, the best football lore in the country. Nobody else matches it," the new head football coach said last week. "You hear other coaches talk about it, this is the Mecca. So why don't we act like that? Why don't our mindsets say that? Why don't we have that type of feeling and spirit when we talk about this program?"

As the Irish begin their 15-day spring practice schedule Saturday, Willingham faces tremendous pressure from fans, alumni, students and himself to direct the Irish football program back to national prominence. Even before George O'Leary's resignation in December caused a public-relations nightmare, Notre Dame had two losing seasons in former head coach Bob

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The time is now for the Irish

He's said all the right things in every press conference that's been held and every interview he's done.

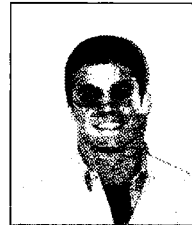
He's told the Notre Dame community that his players will win on the football field, in the classroom and in life.

He's talked about striving to be perfect in every aspect of the football game and settling for nothing less than his players' best.

Now the only thing Tyrone Willingham has to do is carry out his promises. And carry them out at an especially critical time in the history of Notre Dame football.

As any Notre Dame fan knows, 1988 was the last time Notre Dame's football team brought home a national championship — 14 seasons ago.

During this time, Notre Dame was where it had been for most of its storied football history — at the top. Between 1988 and



Joe Hettler

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Sports Editor

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TRACK AND FIELD

Outdoor season opens at home this weekend

◆ Senior All-Americans Luke Watson and Ryan Shea lead competitive men's team

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Senior Staff Writer

With the NCAA-qualifying performances of seniors Ryan Shay and Luke Watson at last weekend's Stanford Invitational, the Irish men's track and field team served notice that they will be a force to be reckoned with during the outdoor season.

But while Shay and Watson were the only Irish athletes to earn All-American honors in the indoor season, this team is more than just two athletes, as fans who come out to Moose Krause Stadium Saturday for the team's annual Spring Opener will find out.

The Irish take on Central Michigan, Michigan State and Western Michigan, with field events kicking off at 10 a.m.

Distance

The Irish distance corps, made up of the same core of veterans that led Notre Dame to a sixth-place finish at the NCAA cross country championships last fall, is clearly the team's strength.

The Irish are led by Shay and Watson, who specialize in the 10,000-meters and 5,000-meters, respectively.

Shay is the defending national champion in the 10,000 meters and is currently ranked first in the country after posting a time of 28:39.41 at Stanford. Shay also placed sixth at the NCAA Championships last year in the 5,000-meters.

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◆ Women's squad heads into outdoor competition performing at all-time high

By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

The 2002 women's track and field team is a different program than it was four years ago. In the past year alone, the team has set 13 new school records and countless track and meet records around the country. They set the record for number of Irish competitors at the NCAA Championships, and during the indoor season they won Notre Dame's first Big East Indoor Championship.

As the Irish enter the outdoor season, the expectations of themselves and their coaches continue to rise.

Last week, five new personal records were set, as well as two school records. Saturday the Irish will host the Spring Opener, where Central Michigan, Western Michigan and Michigan State will travel to South Bend for the meet. The women hope they can continue their success as they look to defend their Big East title.

Sprints

This year's sprinting team is arguably the best sprinting group to come through Notre Dame. Although the team is not deep, they have a strong nucleus of six girls competing in seven events.

In the 100-meters, sophomore Ayesha Boyd is the top runner for the Irish. Boyd has taken third place at the last two Big East meets, once in the 100-meter and once in the 60-

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