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Republicans debate at ND

By ANDREW THAGARD
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They may have disagreed on campaign tactics and the value of experience versus a youthful perspective, but Republican primary candidates James Ehrhard and Carl Baxmeyer agreed on the importance of cutting government waste, creating jobs and improving education during a debate sponsored by College Republicans.

Ehrhard, a 27-year-old trial attorney in South Bend and Baxmeyer, a 49-year-old Michigan, Ind. resident are running for the State House of Representatives seat against Democratic candidate Ryan Devorak.

The debate focused on upcoming state tax restructuring and slimming down government slack in all areas, including education and the corrections system.

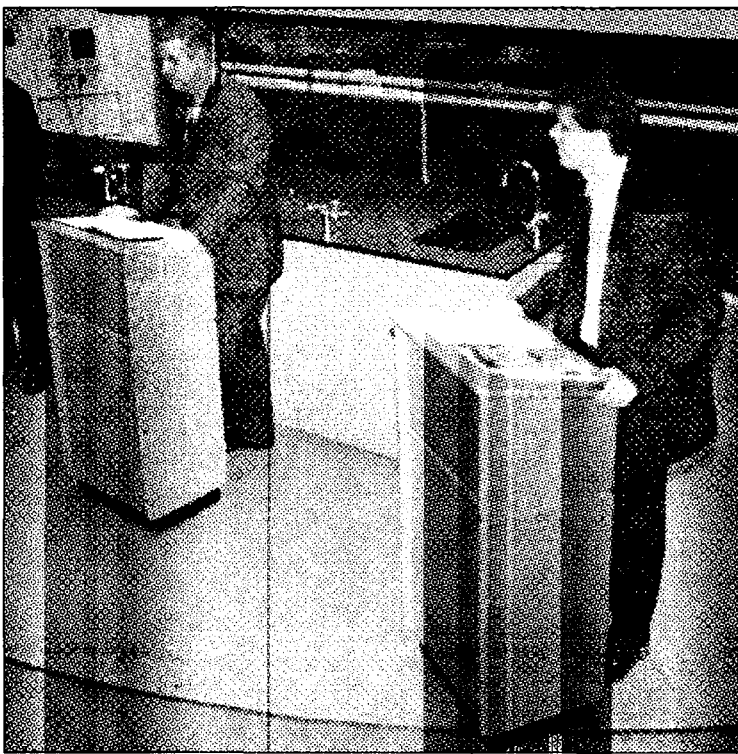
"There's no more impor-

tant time than now to have the Republicans in charge of the [state] legislature since tax restructuring is going on. I've spent time in the state of 'Taxachusetts' and I won't let that happen to Indiana," Ehrhard said to the crowd of 20. "When you raise prices you get less customers, when you raise taxes you get fewer citizens."

"Property tax restructuring is going to hit the average citizen, agriculture and business extremely hard if we don't do something," Baxmeyer echoed. "We've lost 100,000 jobs in the last two years, think of how many tax dollars that is."

Both candidates also endorsed the idea of using so-called "hidden funds," money that builds up in government accounts over time and sits unused, to ease the state out of the current recession.

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ANGELA CAMPOS/The Observer

Republican State House of Representatives candidates Carl Baxmeyer (left) and James Ehrhard (right) debate their views on taxes, government waste and improving education Thursday.

Prosecutor assumes rape case

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

The county prosecutor's office will take over the Saint Joseph County Police investigation of an alleged March 28 rape involving five Notre Dame students today.

State Prosecutor Chris Toth will decide whether or not to file charges against the four suspects after evaluating the case and evidence acquired from an April 10 search of one suspect's house where the alleged rape occurred.

The alleged victim is a 20-year-old female, and the suspects are three Notre Dame football players and one former team member.

Capt. Harry Seider of the County Police Detective Bureau said police generally send evidence to one of the four state

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ND to host UN global conference

By LAUREN BECK
News Writer

Notre Dame will host the first conference in the United States dedicated to the United Nations Global Compact next week.

The conference, "Meeting Expectations in the World Economy: The United Nations Global Compact,"



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addresses the U.N.'s new initiative to diffuse the benefits of global economic development through voluntary corporate policies and actions.

Father Oliver Williams, director of Notre Dame's Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business and the conference director,

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Scientist finds disease link

◆ Findings shed light on the cause of Huntington's disease

By ANDREW THAGARD
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame biologist Crislyn D'Souza-Schorey and her colleagues have discovered a protein link that may lead to a cure to Huntington's disease.

The neurodegenerative disorder afflicts 25,000 people in the U.S.

Huntington's disease is characterized by the formation of aggregates — clumps of abnormal proteins — in the nerve cells. The buildup of these aggregates interferes with neural activity, leading to loss of mental capability and physical control.

In normal cells, proteasomes shred defective proteins before they have the chance to form aggregates, but in diseased cells these biological shredders are somehow disabled.

D'Souza-Schorey's research, published in the March edition of Nature Cell Biology, suggests that the protein arfaptin 2

causes aggregate formation by breaking up proteasomes.

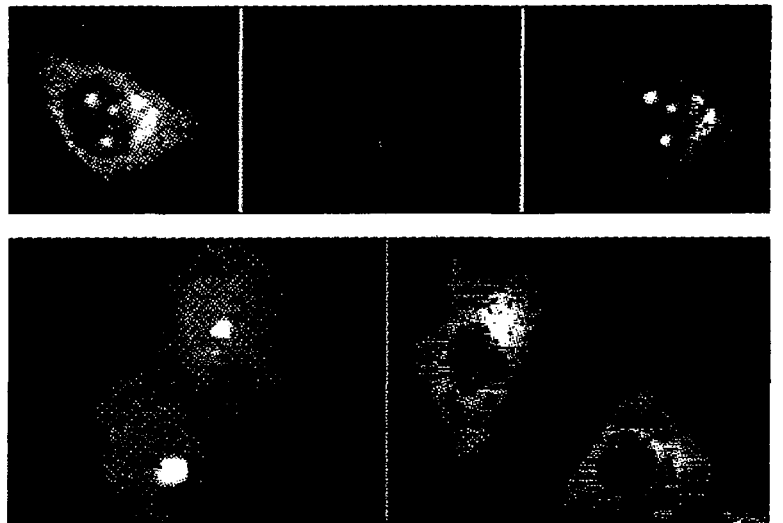
"Our hypothesis was that perhaps this protein had played a role at an early event during aggregation," D'Souza-Schorey said.

The research team began investigating the cause of aggregate formation with the aid of a green fluorescent protein-tagging agent. They also used genetically engineered Huntington's disease mice models provided by Gillian Bates' laboratory in London, and studied the proteins at the molecular level using cell-free assays.

When arfaptin 2 was linked to aggregate formation, D'Souza-Schorey studied mutated forms of the protein, hoping to identify one that would disrupt the formation of the defective protein clumps.

The researcher found her answer in [delta]N-arfaptin 2. When the mutated protein is introduced into cells, it blocks arfaptin 2 from degrading proteasomes and forms ring-like structures that surround the huntingtin aggregates.

The research team's results are especially significant, according to D'Souza-Schorey, because they provide a biological basis for a potential cure



Photos courtesy of Crislyn D'Souza-Schorey

In the top panel, a cell (red) forms aggregate proteins (green). In the bottom (left) panel large aggregates are formed by one of the arfaptin mutants tested. Exposure of cells to [delta]N-arfaptin 2 inhibited aggregate formation (right).

while many pharmaceutical companies are investing in research using synthetic alternatives.

The discovery may also have broader implications. Other neurodegenerative diseases like Alzheimer's, Parkinson's disease and cystic fibrosis are characterized by aggregate formation, which also may be linked to arfaptin 2.

"The question remains, 'Is this a common mechanism to aggregate formation that can be extended to other neurodegenerative diseases?'" D'Souza-Schorey said. "We would like to explore this further."

D'Souza-Schorey is a professor and researcher at Notre Dame's Walther Cancer

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INSIDE COLUMN

Friends for the long haul

Everyone has heard the friends you make in college will be your friends for life, and your high school friends will quickly grow without you. For most the first is true but the latter may vary a little bit. I for one know that the friends I have made over the past three years could not be any closer to me than my own family; in fact, they are my family.

Think about it, you wake-up with these people, you eat with them and they see you in your best and worst moments. What does this describe? A family. Over the past three years I have had a family away from my family in St. Louis. While in high school you do become close with people, but it isn't the same. Spending all day with your friends at school, or hanging out with them after school or on the weekends is not the same as living with them. During my four years in high school, like most, I had really good friends I knew I could count on. But let's be honest, for the most part they did not mean much after we came to college, we just simply grew apart and priorities changed. Now I'm not saying that I still don't have some really great friends from high school, but the select few I still consider myself close with are again like my family and have been for some time.

The friends I have stayed in contact with from high school are also the people that I could not talk to for a few weeks, but when we do talk it is like nothing has changed, we were close in high school and we have grown closer while at different schools.

Everyone has a friend like this from the pre-college days.

No matter how much time passes the next time you talk to her it is like no time has passed and you are just as close as ever.

However, I know I can say I have this strong bond with more than one person from college. I can't count how many times over the past three years a friend has been my savior, has saved me with a yearbook deadline, randomly called me just because they had a feeling something was wrong or a Saint Mary's friend has called me from home just because they did something stupid the night before and I missed it.

I for one know that I can always count on my friends to be there when I need them, no matter what is going on in my life or in theirs we are each other's support system and we are not going anywhere.

There is nothing more I could ask for in my friends. Well other than them living closer to me after school. As this year is rapidly coming to a close I can only help to think what is going to happen next year. As I get ready to graduate, next year, I can't help but think what strain is going to be put on the bonds that I have established with my friends here in South Bend. However, I know that my new family will remain my family for the rest of my life. No matter how far away we are from each other I know that the important people in my life here will be just a phone call away. Thank you for everything, I could not have gotten this far with all that I do without you all.

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Courtney Boyle

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME HISTORY

Academic Council passes curriculum revision

Monday, April 13, 1970

After two years of debate Notre Dame's Academic Council approved the Curriculum Revisions Committee's suggestions to make changes to the current curriculum. The most prominent of the 11 suggestions was a residential, co-educational Notre Dame - Saint Mary's experimental program. The revisions also passed an experimental "pass-fail" option for junior and seniors.

Minority students get money from bowl game

Wednesday, April 15, 1970

Notre Dame's first bowl appearance in 44 years gave the University \$210,000 for minority group scholarship grants and programs. While the University gained \$340,000 from the New Year's Day Cotton Bowl game, \$130,000 went toward the cost of transporting and maintaining the team, coaches and marching band, and \$50,000 was set aside for the black studies program.

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Swarthmore student investigated for child porn

SWARTHMORE, Pa.

On April 11 members of the Delaware County Criminal Investigation Division (CID) searched for and downloaded the files of a Swarthmore College student who, according to the search warrant affidavit, admitted to possessing and sending child pornography images and having a sexual conversation with an officer posing as a 15-year-old boy.

The search warrant, which provided access to all servers on the college network, was the result of the ongoing investigation of the CID's Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

The Phoenix is withholding the student's name since no charges had been filed at press time.

"The warrant was very specific in what to search, and we were very specific in allowing the search," said Judy

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Downing, director of Information Technology Services, who was presented with the warrant around lunchtime April 11.

Rumors the entire root directory of the SCCS server had been copied were going around campus over the weekend; however, no volumes of any server were downloaded — only files used by or in some way related to the student.

"The college protects students' privacy to the extent that the law allows," said Tedd Goundie, associate dean of student life.

According to Dean of the College Bob Gross, the investigation started when police in New Hampshire were notified by the parents of a minor someone was sending child pornographic photos to their computer over the Internet. New Hampshire police then put out a sting, and, according to the search warrant affidavit, Detective James McLaughlin of the Keene Police Department in New Hampshire posed as a 15-year-old boy over instant messaging. The student contacted the undercover officer and gave his roommate's phone number with the intent of having phone sex.

Swarthmore Phoenix

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Police arrest indecent exposure men

CARBONDALE, Ill.

Patrons of Morris Library have checked out more than just books in the past week. Two non-Southern Illinois University students were arrested, one for allegedly exposing himself and another for alleged masturbation. Brandon Terrell Wimberly, arrested April 11, and Sean Polovich, arrested Monday, both were charged with public indecency and a host of other charges following alleged inappropriate actions. Wimberly, 21, was arrested April 11 after allegedly exposing himself to a student in the computer area of the first floor. He then allegedly left the library only to be stopped at the Faner Breezeway by officials and taken back to the library for positive identification. Wimberly was charged with public indecency and was wanted on two outstanding warrants. He was taken to Jackson County Jail. Polovich, 20, was arrested Monday and charged with public indecency, disorderly conduct and possession of drug paraphernalia after witnesses saw him allegedly masturbating at a computer station on the first floor.

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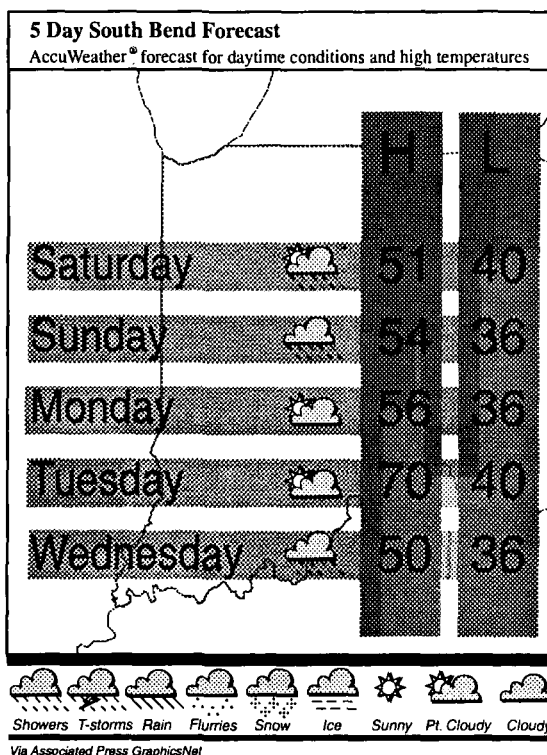
Police raid dorms, find drugs

MUNCIE, Ind.

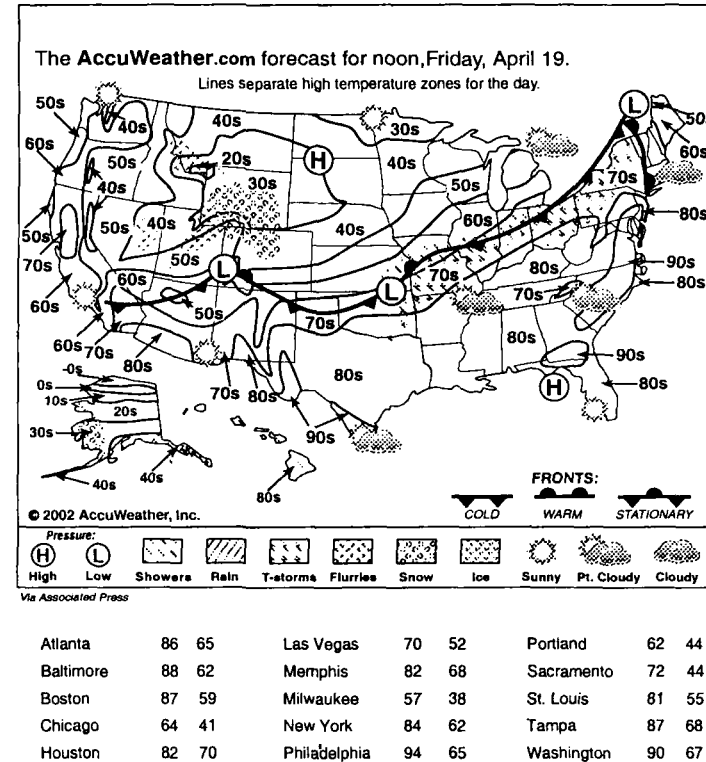
Police confiscated six pounds of marijuana, 200 steroid pills, syringes, scales and \$1,000 in cash when the Muncie-Delaware County Drug Task Force raided a Beeman Hall dorm room Tuesday evening. John Lam, 19, from Schererville, Ind., was arrested on charges of dealing a narcotic, dealing marijuana, possession of marijuana and maintaining a common nuisance after he sold drugs to an undercover officer. Lam's roommate, Carlton Barlow, was arrested on charges of dealing marijuana, possession of marijuana and maintaining a common nuisance. Police said the marijuana seized in the raid is worth between \$13,000 and \$18,000. "This is one of the largest busts ever made in the dorms," a task force investigator said. "Generally we find such large amounts off campus." The roommates had been under investigation for several months after the task force received a tip from someone in the residence hall.

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LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



Storin heads new media department

♦ **Notre Dame alum and former Boston Globe editor assumes the position Aug. 6**

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

Former editor of the Boston Globe and 1964 graduate, Matthew Storin, will oversee the newly created media relations division of Notre Dame Public Relations and Information as the associate vice president for news and information, according to Lou Nanni, vice president for public affairs and communication.

"I do look forward to spreading the good word about Notre Dame and trying to enhance what is already a considerable academic repu-

tation," said Storin, who begins Aug. 5.

In his new position, Storin will focus on the media-related operations of public relations for the University.

"In addition to being one of the nation's most respected journalists, Matt is an alumnus who through the years has demonstrated a genuine commitment to Notre Dame's institutional mission," said Nanni Thursday in a press release.



Storin

Along with Denny Moore, the associate vice president of public affairs and communication, and assistant vice president, Shannon Cullinan, Storin will contribute to the early stages of the office's recently

announced reorganization.

As a veteran journalist for many U.S. newspapers, Storin said he looks forward to a new opportunity to find "the best possible ways to tell the Notre Dame story."

Storin retired from the Globe in July 2001, after eight years as the paper's editor, and a total of 22 years with the daily. Storin has covered news from the White House

to Tokyo for the Globe. He has also worked for U.S. News and World Report, the Chicago Sun-Times, the New York Daily News, the Maine Times, and his hometown paper, the Daily News of Springfield, Mass.

"The job of an editor of a large metropolitan newspaper is an all-consuming job," said Storin. "It doesn't leave time for much else."

Following his retirement, Storin took time off for six months before entering a program at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Storin said he hopes to use his East Coast background to give Notre Dame a greater presence in metropolitan areas.

"I hope that we can solidify our relations with media

centers like New York and Washington which are so important to any institution that has a national following," he said.

Storin, a member of the advisory council's of the College of Arts and Letters and the John W. Gallivan Program on Journalism, said he would like to teach classes at some point, although he will not teach in the fall.

"My first priority is to get to know the administration and the job," Storin said.

Storin and his wife, Keiko, have four children: Karen, 37, Aimee a '87 Notre Dame graduate, 36, Sean, 34, and freshman Kenny, 18.

"I do look forward to spreading the good word of Notre Dame and trying to enhance what is already a considerable academic reputation."

Matthew Storin
former Boston Globe editor

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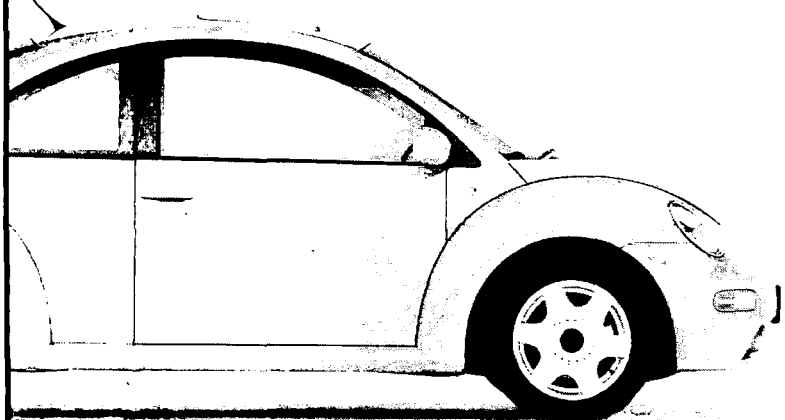
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Institute, where she studies adhesion and migration of tumor cells. How did she make a discovery linked to Huntington's disease?

According to the researcher, uncontrolled growth in cancer cells and the cell death characteristic of neurodegenerative diseases may be two sides of the same protein coin.

"There might be a subset of proteins that move a cell either toward proliferation or cell death," D'Souza-Schorey said.

D'Souza-Schorey's findings were published in collaboration with Peter Peters, Ke Ning, Felipe Palacios, Rita Boshans, Aleksey Kazantsev, Leslie Thompson of the University of California at Irvine and Ben Woodman and Gillian Bates of the Division of Medical and Molecular Genetics, Guy's and St. Thomas's School of Medicine.



D'Souza-Schorey

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U.N.

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said he hopes the conference will encourage American involvement in the Global Compact. While over 200 European companies have joined the compact, the initiative has not caught on as well in the United States, where only one or two companies have signed up.

"This conference is a good launching pad to get the idea started in the United States. ... We want to familiarize multi-national corporations with the Global Compact and to encourage them to sign up," said Williams.

U.N. Secretary-general Kofi Annan formulated the Global Compact in 1999 as nine principles that focused on human rights, labor rights and concern for the environment. Annan argued at the Davos World Economic Forum that shared values and an ethical culture provided a more stable environment for a world market and extended the prosperity of globalization to developing nations.

"The Global Compact attempts to level the playing field and to set some base lines to make world trade more fair," Williams

said.

After Annan spoke at Commencement and received an honorary Notre Dame degree in 2000, he contacted Williams for help in promoting the Global Compact.

"He was impressed with the number of business leaders who were graduating from Notre Dame," said Williams.

Williams said the conference fit in well with the University's mission.

"Notre Dame is a world-class university, and it's our mission to make the world a better place for our graduates having been there," he said.

The conference, which is sponsored by Notre Dame's Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business and the United Nations, will begin Sunday at 7 p.m. Georg Kell, senior officer of the Executive Office of the Secretary General and director of the U.N. Global Compact Office, will deliver the keynote address.

On Monday and Tuesday, several companies already practicing some of the Compact's principles, including Hewlett-Packard Co., Mattell, Motorola, Inc., Nike, Inc. and Shell Oil Company, will present case studies dealing with their experiences.

More information on the conference can be found at www.nd.edu/~ethics.

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Matha named student trustee

By SARAH NESTOR
News Writer

Kristen Matha, former student body vice president, has been named as the new student trustee for the 2002-2003 school year. Beginning this weekend she will work with the Board of Trustees by observing current student trustee, Akmaral Omarova.

"I'm very excited that Kristen is going to be the new student trustee," Omarova said. "I think she will do a great job."

Matha plans to follow the steps of past student trustees, continuing mass e-mail, mailings and lunches to encourage interaction between the students and the Board. Matha also intends to keep in close contact with student government, attending Board of governance meetings and working with student representatives.

"I think BOG is representative of student concerns and an active participant in all student endeavors and I'm very excited to work with Kim Jensen," Matha said. "I look forward to this interaction and I just hope to bring a voice and knowledge to the Board."

Matha brings a wealth of experience with her to the student trustee position having been a student leader for the

three years. Representing her class and the student body has given her extensive knowledge about administration and student government functions.

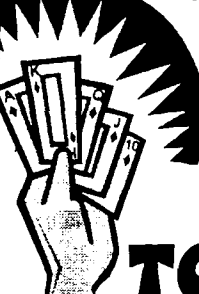
"I've sat on the Education and Student Life committee, so I've had interaction with the Trustees before, but I have a lot to learn," Matha said. "Being a recognizable face on campus I hope students continue to talk to me and I'm excited to be student trustee."

Students have the chance to interact with the Board, Omarova and Matha today at lunch and this afternoon at 4:30 p.m. when the official groundbreaking ceremony for the new Student Center/Noble Family Dining Hall takes place.

The Student Life committee, which Omarova sits on, will be discussing the current alcohol policy, international students and diversity and catholic identity.

"We're not looking at making changes to the alcohol policy," Dr. Linda Timm, vice president of Student Affairs, said. "I want to talk with them about a report that came out about women and binge drinking and about the change in Notre Dame policy and what the implications of that are."

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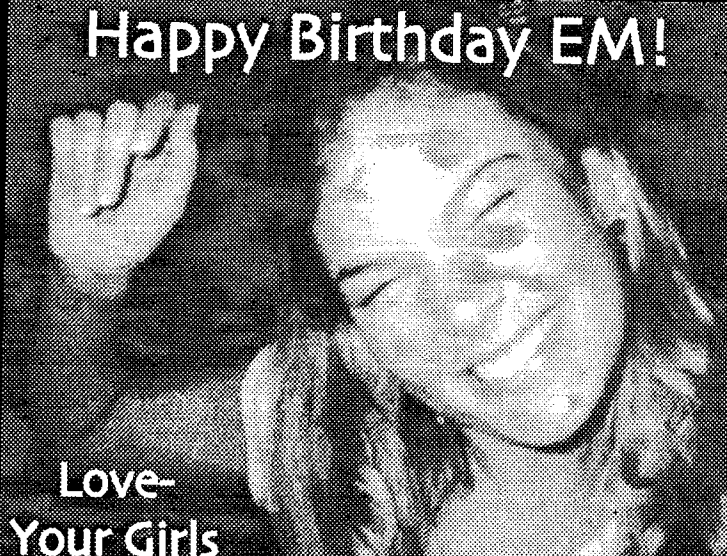
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Al-Jazeera shows Bin Laden again:

The Arab satellite channel Al-Jazeera aired additional excerpts Thursday from a videotape in which Osama bin Laden praises the Sept. 11 hijackers. Excerpts from the undated videotape were first broadcast Monday. On Wednesday, clips from a similar tape were aired on another Arab satellite station across the Middle East.

Annan: Troops needed in Mideast:

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan appealed to the international community Thursday to quickly deploy a "robust" armed force to halt the Israeli-Palestinian conflict's "descent into bloodletting." Annan told the U.N. Security Council in a closed session that a force large enough to take "decisive action" is essential to ending the deadly cycle of attacks.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Atlantis crew ready to head home:

Space shuttle Atlantis' astronauts aimed for a Friday homecoming after completing one of the most complex construction jobs ever at international space station. Good weather was forecast for the early afternoon touchdown. The seven astronauts installed a 44-foot girder at the orbiting outpost. It is the first segment of an aluminum frame that eventually will stretch 356 feet, have railroad tracks spanning the entire length, and support four sets of solar wings.

Archbishop given subpoena: In an extraordinary move, the archbishop and chancellor of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati were summoned Thursday to appear before a grand jury investigating child abuse allegations. Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk was later excused from testifying but may be required to appear later before the grand jury, according to Hamilton County Prosecutor Michael Allen.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Indiana ghost tracker club: About a dozen people — some armed with tape recorders and cameras, others with electromagnetic field detectors and night scopes — will gather Saturday in search of a most elusive quarry: ghosts. The equipment helps trackers determine if there is any paranormal activity, said Mike McDowell, Indiana Ghost Trackers president. "We go out to locations that are either known to be haunted or thought to be haunted, locations that have stories about ghosts" associated with them, McDowell said.

Market Watch April 18

Dow Jones	10,205.28	- 15.50
Up	1547	
Same:	204	
Down	1532	
Composite Volume:	1,371,441,547	

AMEX:	923.63	+5.28
NASDAQ:	1,802.43	- 8.24
NYSE:	592.95	- 0.53
S&P 500:	1,124.29	- 1.78

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COMPANY/SECURITY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
APPLIED DIGITAL (APSX)	-39.66	-0.71	1.08
NASDAQ-100 INDEX	-1.91	-0.67	34.35
SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	+3.52	+0.29	8.52
RAZORFISH INC (RAZF)	-6.05	-0.03	0.45
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-3.32	-0.53	15.44

WEST BANK



AFP Photo

An Israeli army armored personnel carrier patrols the area of the Salem checkpoint as Israel begins withdrawing from the Jenin area on April 18 on the Israel-West Bank border.

Troops pull out from Jenin area

Associated Press

JENIN
Israel will complete its pullout from the town of Jenin overnight, an army commander said Thursday, after a curfew was lifted and refugee camp residents began searching for loved ones under the rubble. A U.N. envoy said the incursion caused "colossal suffering" and was unjustified. Brig. Gen. Eyal Schlein, the Israeli army's Jenin division commander, said his forces had destroyed the "infrastructure — explosive labs, organization heads, and also terrorists," but he

told Israel TV, "The attacks will continue — we haven't achieved any cease-fire."

After Israeli forces pulled back from most parts of Jenin on Thursday, Schlein said the withdrawal would be completed overnight, and the military would redeploy on the outskirts.

Near Nablus, the Israeli military said it captured Husam Ataf Ali Badran, a leader of the Hamas militant organization who the army said was responsible for the deaths of more than 100 Israelis in some of the worst suicide bombings in the last year.

He reportedly had a hand in the March 27 Passover

suicide bombing in Netanya that triggered the Israeli drive into Palestinian cities and towns. An army statement said his capture "is a significant blow" to Hamas. Witnesses said he was captured and three others were killed in a raid by helicopters firing rockets and machine guns outside the village of Beit Hassan.

Terje Roed-Larsen, the U.N. envoy, said 300 buildings were destroyed and 2,000 people were left homeless in the Jenin refugee camp, scene of the bloodiest fighting of Israel's three-week campaign to capture or kill armed militants in the West Bank.

"Not any objective can justify such action, with colossal suffering" to civilians, said Larsen, wearing a blue flak jacket and walking over a broad swathe of pulverized concrete where hundreds of people once lived.

Residents found the remains of two bodies and said one of them appeared to be that of Mahmoud Tawalbeh, the regional leader of militant Islamic Jihad. He had admitted sending suicide bombers to Israel, among them his younger brother. On April 11, Israel reported it believed its forces killed Tawalbeh.

Senators block Iraqi oil imports

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
The Senate voted Thursday to bar Iraqi oil imports, while lawmakers separately proposed sanctions against Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and actions to punish Syria.

The Senate, by an 88-10 vote, put into a broader energy bill a provision that would prohibit Iraqi oil from being imported into the United States until Iraq agrees to U.N. inspectors, stops giving financial help to survivors of suicide bombers and halts oil smuggling to avoid

U.N. sanctions.

If the measure remains part of a final energy package, President Bush could resume such imports only if he deems them important to national interests.

The White House has not commented on the measure by Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska.

Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., said he had some concern the measure might put President Bush "in an awkward position" if he wants to resume Iraqi imports.

House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt also cautioned against

congressional attempts to shape U.S. Middle East policy, saying that Congress should be cooperating with the Bush administration.

Bingaman noted that sanctions against Iraq would not affect U.S. imports because Iraqi oil would be replaced by other world oil market sources.

Iraqi oil accounts for 8.6 percent, or about 780,000 barrels a day, of U.S. oil imports.

"This is a matter of principle for the United States," said Murkowski. "Saddam Hussein is fostering terrorism."

Abercrombie pulls T-shirt line after protests

♦ Asian-American groups argue shirts represent stereotypical Asians

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Clothier Abercrombie & Fitch is pulling a line of T-shirts that triggered protests from Asian groups who said they reinforced negative stereotypes.

The T-shirts, some of which show smiling men with slanted eyes and conical hats, will be pulled from all of the company's 311 stores in 50 states, company spokesman Hampton Carney said Thursday.

"We're very, very, very sorry," Carney said. "It's never been our intention to offend anyone."

But more than 100 Asian-Americans

protesting outside an Abercrombie & Fitch store in San Francisco Thursday said Carney's apology wasn't enough.

They read a list of demands including a public apology in four major newspapers, increased philanthropy and investment in the Asian community and the hiring of consultants to ensure sensitivity on Asian issues.

"It's unacceptable for them to smear and continue to perpetuate racist stereotypes of Asian-Americans," said Ivy Lee, 30, an attorney at Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach. "They wouldn't do the same for any other ethnic groups."

Activists in other parts of the country

urged people to call or write the company to complain.

Christine Chen, executive director of the Organization of Chinese Americans, based in Washington, D.C., planned to e-

mail several thousand Asian-Americans asking them to check that shirts are removed from stores, and to voice their opinions to Abercrombie.

In Minneapolis, Minn., Bao Phi, 27, was asking people to boycott Abercrombie until it pledges that such designs won't be repeated.

"The fact is, they've already made money out of our exploitation," Phi said.

Carney could not say how many of the T-shirts were already in stores, or how much the recall would cost the New Albany, Ohio-based casual sportswear company. The T-shirts, which went on sale in some stores Friday for \$24.50, also will be removed from sale on the company's Web site, Carney said.

"These graphic T-shirts were designed with the sole purpose of adding humor and levity to our fashion line," Carney said. "Since some of our customers have

been offended by their content, we are pulling these shirts."

One of the company's T-shirts reads "Wong Brothers Laundry Service — Two Wongs Can Make It White."

Another shirt features a smiling Buddha figure with the slogan "Abercrombie and Fitch Buddha Bash — Get Your Buddha on the Floor." Another reads "Wok-N-Bowl — Let the Good Times Roll — Chinese Food & Bowling."

Carney said the company received about 60 phone calls Wednesday about the shirts. The company makes fun of everyone, Carney said, noting its previous clothing designs have included foreign waitresses, taxi drivers and Britons.

Last year, women's organizations and conservative politicians rallied against the company for its ads featuring young, barely clad models in sexually suggestive poses.

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Hampton Carney
Abercrombie & Fitch spokesman

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Bao Phi
boycott organizer

Man sues Church for sexual misconduct

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Making use of a racketeering law, a man has sued the Vatican, a former bishop and four dioceses, accusing them of hiding the transgressions of a "web of predator priests" whose sexual misconduct spans at least three decades.

The lawsuit filed Thursday is the second in as many months accusing Catholic leaders of racketeering under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, or RICO. It is the third lawsuit alleging abuse by ex-bishop Anthony O'Connell while he served as rector of a church school in Hannibal, Mo.

The Vatican was named because it required each diocese to keep secret files about problem priests whose misconduct might expose the Catholic Church to scandals and lawsuits, said Jeff Anderson, an attorney for the unnamed plaintiff.

The lawsuit also names dioceses where O'Connell worked — in Jefferson City, Mo., Knoxville, Tenn., and Palm Beach, Fla. — and accuses the Kansas City-St. Joseph Diocese of failing to act in the mid-1990s on the accuser's complaints. The man alleges he reported O'Connell to the Kansas City diocese because he lived there at the time, but received no help.

"Hopefully today we can begin

a process of healing, prevention, exposure and perhaps someday, justice," Anderson said in announcing the lawsuit, which does not specify damages.

Spokespeople for the dioceses said they had not seen the lawsuit and could not discuss it specifically.

"We're concerned about all victims, and we certainly regret the way the church has handled some of these in the past," said Mark Saucier, spokesman for the Jefferson City Diocese. "We're determined to do everything we can to prevent any type of abusive behavior."

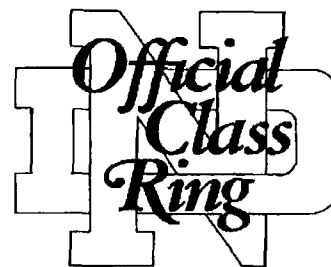
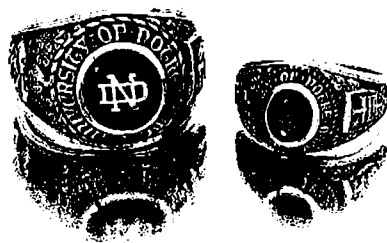
Next week, American cardinals plan to meet in Rome for an unprecedented Vatican summit on clergy sex abuse.

Thursday's suit accuses O'Connell of abuse from the time the plaintiff was a 15-year-old at St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary in the late 1960s until 1993. Another unnamed man sued O'Connell last month, claiming he was abused at St. Thomas starting in the late 1960s.

O'Connell resigned last month as bishop in Palm Beach after admitting he abused Chris Dixon, now 40, in the late 1970s at the Hannibal boarding school for high school boys. The diocese has said O'Connell is in seclusion and unavailable for comment.

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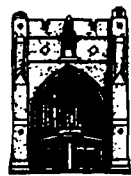
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Sanis honors Main Building restrooms

By ANDREW THAGARD
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame bathrooms flushed the competition Thursday as officials accepted the award for "America's Best Restroom." Sanis Company representatives presented the designation at a ceremony in Main Building.

"Thousands and thousands of people voted for these restrooms as the best in the country," Sanis survey editor Dan Cawley said outside one of the award-winning lavatories.

The Internet-based survey received nominations for restrooms in casinos with talking robots, private clubs with panoramic views and upscale department stores, but in the end the simple charm of the University's Main Building

restrooms won out, according to Cawley.

Voters commented on the facilities' imported Victorian tile floors, solid oak stall doors and sinks with classical chrome and brass fixtures. Individual stalls are partitioned with marble and each restroom has a water fountain in a foyer area. Nineteenth century reflector bowls suspended from the ceiling illuminate the bathrooms.

Voters also praised the cleanliness of the lavatories, which are serviced at least three times a day.

"These restrooms are shinier than the Golden Dome for which Notre Dame is famous," said Alan Bigger, director of building services.

Jim Lyphout, vice president for building operations, Bigger and members of the custodial staff accepted the award.

Lyphout used the opportunity to praise the work of University custodians.

"The easy part is building it, the hard part is keeping it clean," he said. "We're very proud of our building. Our staff takes great pride in what they do."

"The overall message is that hygiene is important," echoed Michael Wallner, brand manager. "I think that the University of Notre Dame is doing a good job of showing this."

"America's Best Restroom" is hosted at www.thebestofUSA.com and sponsored by Sanis Company, a service provider of work-related garments.

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King, Franklin to headline fest

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

The Indy Jazz Fest may be shorter this year — only a weekend instead of a week — but no one can complain when

a king and a queen are showing up.

Blues guitarist B.B. King and Aretha Franklin, the queen of soul, will headline the fourth annual jazz festival on June 14-16. The festival has drawn more than 200,000 people since 1999.

Arturo Sandoval, Bela Fleck & The Flecktones and David Sanborn will also be performing, organizers announced this week.

The lineup has improved this year. A shorter program left organizers with more money to spend booking talent for each night, said Tasker Day, the organization's executive director.

"The budget that we used to book our evening shows during the week last year, we've used that to strengthen the festival during days leading up to the headliners this year," Day said.

Festival promoters said they also had a much larger pool of talent from which to choose.

Last year the concert was held in July because the city was the host of the World Police and Fire Games in June. Other performers at this year's festival include Norah Jones, Bruce Hornsby and Dianne Reeves.

the second annual

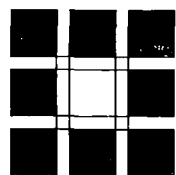


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The United Nations Global Compact is a new initiative intended to increase and diffuse the benefits of global economic development through voluntary corporate policies and actions. Kofi Annan, secretary-general of the United Nations, addressing the Davos World Economic Forum in January 1999, challenged business leaders to join a “global compact of shared values and principles” and give globalization a human face. Annan argued that shared values provide a stable environment for a world market and that without these explicit values business could expect backlashes from protectionism, populism, fanaticism and terrorism.

Kofi Annan’s top assistant will present the UN’s vision and major multinational companies will offer case studies discussing issues of the Compact.

Schedule

<u>Sunday, April 21</u>	(Morris Inn Dining Room)
7:45 p.m.	Georg Kell, UNITED NATIONS, “The Vision of the UN Global Compact”
<u>Monday, April 22</u>	(CCE)
9:00 a.m.	NOVARTIS
10:45 a.m.	DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU
2:00 p.m.	MERCK and MOTOROLA
4:00 p.m.	SHELL OIL
<u>Tuesday, April 23</u>	(CCE)
8:30 a.m.	FREEPORT-MCMORAN and HEWLETT-PACKARD
10:15 a.m.	NIKE
10:50 a.m.	THE FUTURE OF THE GLOBAL COMPACT

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Rape

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labs, located in Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, Lowell and Evansville, but the evidence for the alleged rape has not yet gone to a lab. Seider said police delayed the submission of evidence to an Indiana crime lab because of testing delays due to a statewide backlog.

"The state lab is backed up, so it would take eight months to a year," said Capt. Harry Seider of the St. Joe Police Detective Bureau.

Seider said that the prosecutor will decide whether or not to submit the evidence to a private lab, an option reserved for the police, but not frequently used. He added that the sense of urgency to submit evidence to a private lab is a "rare occurrence" that comes from the current backlog, as well as the need to conduct "extensive testing" for DNA, said Seider.

Sheriff Richard Seniff of St. Joe County told reporters last week in a press conference that the fact that the suspects involved with Notre Dame football would not change the investigation, and Seider agreed.

"We are pursuing this as any other case that would come in," Seider said.

In addition, to the county inves-

tigation, the alleged victim has also presented her case to the University's Office of Residence Life and Housing. A closed disciplinary hearing was scheduled for Wednesday, but WSBT-TV has reported that the hearing was postponed, according to the station's interview with the alleged victim's mother.

According to the University handbook, du Lac, a disciplinary hearing involves all parties, along with witnesses and one peer student for each charged student, as well as for the alleged victim. The parties present their case before two or three staff members of ResLife or the Office of Student Affairs.

A disciplinary violation could result in sanctions as severe as permanent dismissal, which du Lac defines as "permanent separation from the University with no opportunity to apply for readmission."

In the case of student athletes receiving any of the several possible sanctions, the University reserves the right to prevent them from serving as a team captain or playing the sport for a fifth year of eligibility.

Since spring football practice began April 6, no Notre Dame football players have missed practices for any disciplinary reasons.

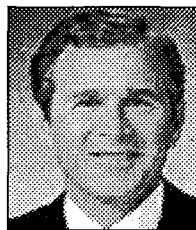
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Senate OK's border bill

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

A bill that would tighten restrictions on who can get into the country, and how closely they will be monitored by immigration and security agents, finally has Senate approval and may be on the fast track to the White House.



Bush

The White House-backed legislation, which would allow officials to track foreign students more closely and check passenger lists of incoming jetliners, had been in limbo in the Senate since December.

President Bush promised to sign the bill.

"Improving our nation's border security is vital to protecting Americans from future terrorist attacks," Bush said after it passed the Senate on Thursday.

"I commend the Senate for passing legislation that strengthens border security and gives our law enforcement officials additional tools to secure our homeland."

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., had blocked the legislation, in part because he thought it needed more debate. After senators allowed him to testify before a subcommittee hearing and make minor changes to the bill, Byrd relented and allowed the bill to move quickly through the chamber.

"I am pleased that at least some public debate has been generated on this bill and that the right of senators to offer amendments was respected," Byrd said.

The Senate approved the bill 97-0 to send it back to the House for final approval. The legislation probably will pass the House quickly and head to the president's desk for his signature.

"Our bill provides real solutions to real problems and closes loopholes in our immigration system," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

The border security bill would

increase the pay of border patrol agents and allow the Immigration and Naturalization Service to hire 200 new investigators and another 200 inspectors.

It also would require the INS to establish a foreign student tracking system that records the acceptance of aliens by educational institutions, issuance of student visas and enrollment of aliens at schools. Several of the hijackers involved in the Sept. 11 terror attacks were in the country on student visas.

The bill also would require that passports issued after 2003 be harder to tamper with and visitor documents be readable by machines using biometrics technology, such as face recognition.

Byrd, still not completely satisfied with the bill, said it's not enough just to pass the legislation telling security officials they have to make these changes.

"It is fine to authorize these funds, but this bill will require the appropriation of funds and the support of its proponents for those appropriations if its provisions are to be implemented," Byrd said.

Debate

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Despite their agreement on such issues, the debate became heated at times. Ehrhard seemed to suggest that the older Baxmeyer might be out of touch with

younger voters in the district. Baxmeyer in turn accused Ehrhard of having "rash exuberance," which he contrasted to his experience.

Baxmeyer also questioned Ehrhard's honesty and promotional material that featured pictures of the candidate with other Republican leaders, saying such pictures may lead voters to conclude these politicians endorse Ehrhard.

"We've had too many politicians say one thing and do another when they're in Indianapolis or Washington," Baxmeyer said, comparing his opponent to Bill Clinton. "You gotta shoot straight, say it the way it is. ...Your credibility is shot to hell."

The candidates both intended to complement no tax increases with reduced government spending, especially in what Ehrhard referred to as the "education corporation."

However the two agreed that the bureaucratic portions of the education and corrective systems should be reduced, and not other areas

that more directly affect quality.

Specifically, Baxmeyer called for an end to what he called "excessive" amounts of money being paid to out of state consultants.

Both candidates were also open to allocating more of the state lottery revenues to the education system and away from what Baxmeyer called the Build Indiana "slush fund."

John Sadowski, College Republicans president, moderated the hour-long debate. The panel included WNDU news anchor Terry McFadden, Jack Colwell of the South Bend Tribune and Padraic McDermott, a sophomore and Morrissey Hall resident.

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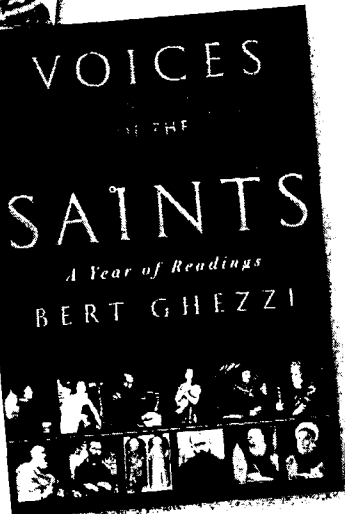
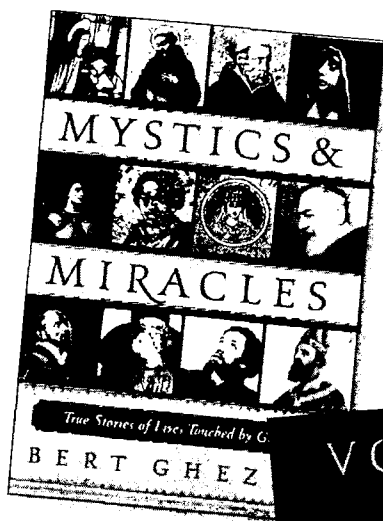
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FTT needs improvement

This week's Department of Film, Television and Theatre's production of "The Life of Galileo" marks a step forward, but not a complete turnaround in the department's string of lackluster mainstage productions. Though "Galileo" showed a lot of promise for the dramatic talent and production skill of FTT, the show was still marked by conceptual blemishes that are chronic in the department's mainstage productions.

The problems with FTT are not material; the University has enough student talent and interest in theatre to consistently produce top-notch shows. While student groups such as the Pasquerilla East Musical Company, the Saint Edward's Hall Players and the Not-So-Royal Shakespeare Company put on high quality productions on shoestring budgets, FTT produces a line of disappointing or troubled shows while having superior and priority access to performance space and production resources.

In the past two years, FTT mainstage shows have often been marred by conceptual failings or in-cast conflicts.

Considering the fact that FTT has one of the largest pools of talent to pull from in its auditions, it seems strange that its productions do not come together to make a wholly entertaining performance. Indeed, it is often difficult to put a finger on the exact problem within a show because it is a general lack of proper theatrical focus that damages FTT shows.

Too often, FTT mainstage productions appear to include elements merely because it is able to produce them and not necessarily because they belong or are fitting to the production. By doing so, the mainstage productions have produced theatre, but have failed to produce as entertaining or as poignant theatre as it could.

While the addition of the Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts will certainly be a boon for the department and their mainstage productions, FTT needs to work on presenting entertaining and innovative theatre to the campus community. Notre Dame deserves more than well-produced but bland shows.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

View rape
discussion
fairly

Erin Kennedy, when did rape become the only crime in this country where the accused is guilty until proven innocent? In your April 16 vocal letter of "silent support" you address the accuser with, "I have not met you, nor do I need to, in order to know that you are telling the truth." How can you make such a bold claim without knowing the facts?

As Memo Tijerina wisely advises, "In respect to a rape allegation, it serves neither party to make judgments prior to receiving any information." Unless you were privileged information that the rest of the world was not, you have no basis for this claim.

Quickly drawing conclusions in a case like this can be nearly as damaging as the supposed incident itself. Undecided are the fates of four men. The results of the accusations could potentially ruin their lives. If they are guilty, you can say they deserve that to happen, but if they are innocent, that will be a horrible injustice. With so much on the line for all parties involved, a thorough investigation is needed before any conclusions can be drawn.

With that, don't slander and pass judgment unto the accused unless they are proven to be guilty.

Todd Mobley
sophomore
Sorin College
April 17, 2002

'Terrorism' is an
overused term

Let's talk about "terrorism" because everyone likes to use that word. It is a very powerful word these days as everyone from Palestinians to drug dealers are terrorists.

Now let's stop using that word because it has been overused. Instead, let's talk about Jenin and other place in the West Bank. Let's talk about 500 dead men, women and children in Jenin killed by the Israeli army with tanks, helicopter and other arms supplied by the United States.

Let's talk about violence and stop relying on the term terrorism to condemn those we disagree with. Death is death, and violence is violence. In terms of the number of deaths, the Israeli government has won the prize. Yes, there are

groups of Palestinians who use senseless acts of violence against Israel. But let's not forget that Israel has killed a far greater number of men, women and children than any person with a vest of explosives could kill.

Let's stop using the word terrorism. Our government and media are using this term to sway us and persuade us. Let's wake up and call it what it is. Violence is violence, and those who wish to condemn the Palestinians should wake up and condemn Ariel Sharon and his military actions against civilians as well.

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April 18, 2002

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"The things most people want to know about
are usually none of their business."

George Bernard Shaw
playwright

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What are you going to do with your life?

Each year, as final exams approach, I can never believe that another year in my career as a student has passed. The end of this year seems to have assumed extra significance. Now a junior, I have become a target for the dreaded question, "So what are you going to do with your life after you graduate?" I do what I can to avoid giving an answer. Unfortunately, a quick "no comment" never suffices.



Joanna
Mikulski

Tuesday Voice
on Friday

The first day at my newspaper internship this semester, my editor posed the question to me. He wondered if newspapers were really in my future. "I don't know," I replied. An awkward pause arose as he waited for me to expand on my answer. "Um, well I like writing about people," I offered. He pointed out that I needed to make a living. "Well of course," I replied and then changed the subject. I feel as though I have returned to my junior year of high school, when I dealt with the daily

inquiry, "So where do you want to go to college?"

Then, I could at least offer a defined list of possibilities. Now, I can only respond by offering vague mumbles.

I realize that no senior has any sympathy for me. I still have a year until they drag me out of the dorms, fire me from my present occupation as "English student" and tell me to join the "real world." (If any of my relatives want to take me in, I'll have even longer.) I'd like to just enjoy the last weeks of this year and wait until next year to begin planning the rest of my life.

However, I have been well trained to look toward the future. With each "So what are you going to do with your life?" I feel anxiety building within me.

Over the last month, I have listened with great interest as my senior friends inform me of their post-graduation plans and wondered if their plans might also work for me. I envy my friends, who know they will attend law or medical school. (I almost want to take the MCATs — well, maybe not.) After two of my good friends from the Innsbruck program won scholarships to teach in Austria for a year, I spent a week discussing how to apply and win my own trip to Europe. I ask friends who are headed to graduate school where

they applied, what they will study and why.

After all of these conversations, I still have little clue where I am headed after next year. Yet, relatives, professors, family friends and distant acquaintances continue to pop the question. To all of you, I have only one request. Please stop and desist with the life-planning interview. Don't think only of me. The sanity of every undergraduate depends upon it.

First, the question itself is absurd. I doubt that anyone who has asked me what I am going to do with my life, knew at the ripe old age of 20 years and eight months where they would be or what they would be doing 10, 20 or 30 years down the road.

Secondly, it reduces life to series of destinations. The same adults, who on another occasion might offer the wisdom that life is an undefined

journey, now want a minute-by-minute plan of my next 10 years. And lastly, the prospect of life beyond college instills inordinate fear in the hearts of undergraduates. I cannot escape the feeling that my education has failed to prepare me some essential way to tackle the "real world." Many of my friends would agree.

So, to all of you in the "real world" doing something with your life, let my classmates and me enjoy the remainder of our euphoric studenthood. Is that really too much to ask?



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Defending the role of TAs at Notre Dame

TAs are people, too

This letter is in response to Katie Hughes' April 17 Inside Column.

As a third-year graduate teaching assistant at Notre Dame, I was stunned when I read Ms. Hughes' column. I am aware that there are many TAs at this University who do the bare minimum, but these TAs are few and far between. I'm sure most of my fellow TAs would agree that we don't appreciate being stereotyped any more than the "binge drinking freaks" do.

I, for one, have worked very hard as a TA, spending literally hundreds of hours of my own time meeting with students and holding review sessions to prepare them for exams, help them with homework and labs and fill in for professors who are unable to make it to lecture or office hours.

TAs are the people who take phone calls and e-mails at all hours of the night when students are writing their papers at the last minute. We clean up spills and messes in the labs, we put ourselves in harm's way when students make dangerous mistakes, and some of us have been lit on fire by careless students. TAs are an added resource for students when professors don't have time to help everyone in a class of 300 students. Keep in mind, TAs can offer much more sympathy to undergraduates because we remember being in your shoes not too long ago.

One should also keep in mind that it is the TAs who work through graduate school in order to become the professors who teach the "binge drinking freaks" and give them the education to be promoted to senior vice president of "Wonderfulco, Incorporated." We are also the people who write important economic policies, work toward finding cures for diseases for "Mr. Perfectandcoolineveryway" and design the bridges and the cars that take you to "Fabulousville."

Believe it or not, TAs are people, too. We have hobbies, spouses, children, goals and careers of our own. Some of us even speak English. But let's not forget that TAs have feelings as well. If students want to know why some TAs become bitter, they need to look no further than Ms. Hughes' pen.

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April 18, 2002

TAs make important contributions

And here's to you, bitter, sarcastic, low grade-receiving Katie Hughes.

As TAs, it is such a pleasure to know that our efforts are going to help a person like you. Your Inside Column of April 17 grouped all of us as thinking you, the undergraduate body of Notre Dame, are all a bunch of spoiled, self-centered, shallow bigots whose idea of work involves drinking surveys and putting down people you know nothing about. Of course, then you put pen to paper and gave us ample evidence.

If we were bitter and cynical, we could also hype our self-importance by pointing out our differences as a way to belittle you. For example, our research "that nobody cares about" brought in more than \$1 million to this University last year. Other than the \$35,000 check Mommy and Daddy wrote for you, and that \$40,000 SUV parked out in D6 that you got this year because last year's model had hub caps that were just so last year's trend, what did you bring in for this University?

And yes, we often live on Ramen and the like because, when you average our salary over the numbers of hours we work, we make less than minimum wage. Maybe the reason you have time to go out and spend years doing social service, bragging to everyone that you do it instead of quietly serving the needs of others, is because you don't have to work two jobs to support yourself and your family? As a matter of fact, have you done an honest day's work in your life?

English may not be a first language for all of us, but did you ever stop to think that without the graduate school, this place might have the diversity of northern Siberia and the white bred, upper middle class, wealthy suburban lifestyle of you and every friend you've ever had might not open your eyes to other ideas, possibilities and points of view?

We could go on and on in this war of words. However, that would paint us in as unseemly a light as you have painted your comrades in the undergraduate school. Fortunately for you, we know better. We know that the undergrads here are some of the most caring, devoted citizens of this world. We know that a significant portion of you are dedicated to social service, and those who enter the workforce or (dare we suggest) graduate school bring with you a consciousness and a goodness toward others that will represent yourselves and this University with class.

To that end, the majority of us have pledged ourselves to enhancing your classroom experience. Yes, we will take the time to mark up every line of every paper you ever write. We will make them bleed with red, green or blue ink, because we have pledged to read and nit-pick every last line to point out the problems and make you a better writer, doctor, engineer or businessman. We hope and pray that the following assignment, you will seek to eliminate all of the problems we brought to your attention, and when you don't, we don't get discouraged and we point them out again.

Even though our TA work will never bring us one day closer to completion of our own work here, a goal that may bring us the wealth and prestige you seem to think we want in life, we drop everything we have to do whenever you stop by, office hours or no, to try and answer every question you have, to motivate you, anger you and push you to get just a little bit more out of yourself and your class. This is more care and concern than any professor teaching 100 of you and your classmates could ever give on his own — ask them, they'll tell you.

And what do we ask from you in return? Ordinarily, nothing. We're the people you visit in the closets of this University when you need something, but otherwise treat us as "one of those," and that is fine. But people like you, Ms. Hughes, force us to point out the selfless contributions we give to your Notre Dame experience every day. Your article, hopefully meant tongue-in-cheek, was racist, homophobic, belittling and insulting, not just to us, your TAs, but also to the community you claim to represent. And while we are at it, The Observer can hide behind its disclaimers all it wants — printing your piece of worthless drivel was irresponsible. You all owe an apology.

And by the way, while your writing was excellent, your article did suck.

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The Life



C. SPENCER BEGGS/The Observer
Lawton as Galileo and sophomore Katy Kertez as Virginia; the pair have a wonderful on-stage chemistry.

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

From the beginning, humanity placed itself at the center of the universe, which made it feel safe, loved and special. When the Scientific Revolution began to question the ideals of ancient astronomy and Church dogma, it fueled a fire that would burn both the Church and her detractors. The Department of Film, Television and Theatre's spring production of Bertolt Brecht's "The Life of Galileo" examines the spark that ignited the fires of change.

"The Life of Galileo" follows the life of Galileo Galilei, the 16th century astronomer who is credited with confirming Copernicus' heliocentric model of the universe. The show details progression of Galileo's incorrectly credited discovery of the telescope and his discovery of four of Jupiter's moons and the rings of Saturn. The discovery would eclipse the long-held belief in Aristotelian cosmology and the Ptolemaic geocentric understanding of the universe.

The title of the show may be slightly misleading. Brecht's play is not, in fact, a biography of Galileo at all, but an anachronistic look at the conflicts between dogma and the scientific method using the story of Galileo as a starting point. A number of blatant historical inaccuracies exist in the script and both the positions of Galileo and the Church are very much exaggerated.

Where the bulk of Galileo's correspondence was done in cleverly crafted and subtly argued letters, Brecht places the astronomer face to face with

adversarial cardinals and monks. Brecht also includes Virginia, Galileo's daughter, in the whole of Galileo's life, when, in fact, she entered a monastery at the age of 13 and only corresponded with her father through writing. Furthermore, Virginia is written as a weak character, whereas the real Virginia was strong and witty.

Brecht's writing is somewhat inaccessible without a clear understanding of what he was trying to comment on. For example, "The Life of Galileo" is an affront to more than just the Church. Brecht was also commenting on the trends toward Nazism and Fascism in the 20th century. Ironically, Brecht was called before the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) in 1947 to answer charges that his plays were Marxist propaganda — which, to an extent, they were. The famous recording of Brecht's evasive answers to the questions of McCarthy and HUAC are played during intermission of the FTT show.

Brecht used a technique he called "Verfremdungseffekt" to remind the audience that they were watching a play. This "alienation effect," as it is called in English, was a rejection of the Aristotelian dramatic premise that the audience should believe that the events they are watching are unfolding in time before their eyes. In keeping with Marxism, Brecht wanted his plays to appeal to his audience's reason rather than having the audience identify with the characters. He accomplished this by using overly philosophical or exaggeratedly straightforward lines and stage settings that didn't appeal aesthetically.

Assistant Visiting Professor and director Holger Teschke attempts to incorporate many of these ideals into the show. The show is intelligently put together and Teschke has his actors break many habits and conventions they have learned.

"I've definitely learned to be more open-minded to different styles in taking direction and acting," Kertez said.

Tony Lawton is phenomenal as Galileo. His dynamism charges the rest of the cast, and he is able to make sometimes dry scientific explanations interesting to watch. Lawton portrays the astronomer with so much vigor that it almost appears as if he's about to spontaneously combust at any moment. Lawton, a visiting assistant professor who has acted professionally, certainly brings the cast up to his level, especially sophomore Katy Kertez, with whom he has a notable chemistry.

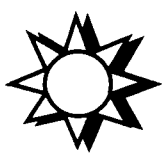
"It was an amazing gift to work with him. He gave me so much," Kertez said.

Kertez, who has played predominantly masculine and male parts at Notre Dame, stands out with her extremely moving portrayal of Virginia as a strong feminine foil for Galileo. Kertez does a lot with her part and convincingly conveys her character mostly through subtle body positions, facial expressions and her captivating vocal quality.

Aesthetically, the show is a knockout. The lavish costumes and set, both designed by FTT Professional Specialist Richard Donnelly, are extremely



C. SPENCER BEGGS/The Observer
Lawton as Galileo (center) is given a tacit threat by Cardinal Bellarmin (played by freshman TJ McNally, left) and Cardinal Barberini (played by senior Luis Matos, right), the future Pope Urban VIII.



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Staff gets the job done in times of crisis

In crisis, we find strength. During the past two years at The Observer, nothing can define the strengths of this newsroom more than its response to crisis, and the undisputable success it has had in putting out quality journalism when it counts most.

It amazes me, sometimes, how it happens. It happened during Election 2000, as 10 of us were huddled around the office television, watching the historic political and journalistic night unfold before us. Gore won, Bush won, then no one won. Dan Rather had been reduced to laughter before our very eyes, and concluded, "There's nothing more to say." The Associated Press wire had stopped, the New York Times had stopped, and the anchors on the networks were staring at each other, speechless. But at 4:20 a.m., someone in that cluster below the television screen said, "Guys, we have to put out a paper tomorrow."

We were proud that night, I remember, that we went to press with the right headline — "Too Close to Call." We were terrified of pulling a "Dewey defeats Truman," or some other equitable disaster. But it didn't happen. When the paper finally went to press at 7:05 a.m., we stumbled weary from the office with the satisfaction that our coverage was solid. Not just solid — it was exceptional.

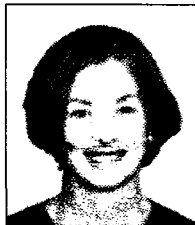
We never thought we would be challenged like that again. We couldn't have been more wrong. On Sept. 11 when the World Trade Center came tumbling down, inevitably we would be faced with answering tough coverage questions where there was no easy solution. Instantaneously, the office was filled with editors, reporters and photographers, and almost instinctually, everyone knew what to do. It was as if the severity of the situation took hold of every journalist in the office, and guided them to do the impossible.

We didn't cry, we didn't stop. We simply did the job, knowing that we had a greater responsibility to tell this story as it happened. None of it was easy. We were dealing with situations where there was no clear answer, and no simple decision. Out of responsibility, out of desire and out of passion for the paper and the community, though, the paper came out, the result a triumph of teamwork.

I have never been prouder to be a part of The Observer than on these two days. This newsroom is strong enough to make the impossible decisions, to produce the impossible product, and at the end of the day, get ready to do it again tomorrow.

You want to hope that nightmare days like Sept. 11 never happen again, and that democracy isn't challenged like it was in Election 2000. But if the passion for this paper motivates the kind of action it did on these two days by The Observer staff, there is no better place to witness the strength this staff has to do the job when it counts.

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2000-02*

As we continue

More than 35 years and thousands of issues after it began, The Observer of today has strayed little from its founding editors' premise: to seek out the truth and present it accurately and fairly to our readers.

Just as it was in 1966, that is our goal now — and it will remain our goal as we advance further into the 21st Century. No doubt, the times and circumstances under which we publish change, but the ambition, sensitivity and adherence to high journalistic standards remain in tact.

Of course, the paper's readership and leadership has changed since then. Editors in Chief Robert Sam Anson and Stephen Feldhaus published the first issue on Nov. 3, 1966.

Before the institution of co-education at Notre Dame and before it became the dominant news source at Saint Mary's, The Observer primarily

served the University's all-male student body. A staff of about a dozen male editors and managers, including Anson and Feldhaus, ran the newsroom and business operations.

Three and a half decades later, the demographics are far different. Women — both at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's — are an integral

part of The Observer's audience and workforce. Now the paper is second to none as the source of timely information for keeping readers up to date on what men and women on the two campuses are saying and doing. And with women holding seven of 18 positions on the current General Board — as well as other key staff positions — The Observer internally reflects the mixed readership for whom we publish each day.

Today, more than 200 writers, editors, photographers, designers and

business personnel come together to produce an average 24- or 28-page daily paper. The rigor and imagination that were part of the original 12-page weekly Observer have not been lost with time.

Accurate, objective coverage of campus news and sports will continue to be the backbone of the publication. The Viewpoint section will serve as a forum for well-written, thought-provoking columns and letters to the editor — as well as weekly staff editorials — that highlight the opinions and attitudes of our readers and the paper itself. And in Scene, campus arts and entertainment take center stage in creative features and enterprising stories about campus culture.

In 2002 and beyond, The Observer will keep alive the sound principles and independent voice that the paper was founded upon in 1966. And we'll remain an indispensable resource at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's as we continue.

The Observer Editorial

SYR ban sparks protests

♦ New editorial board baptized in fiery du Lac

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Managing Editor 2000-02

It was among burning copies of the student handbook and the biggest student protests in five years that Editor in Chief Jason McFarley started his tenure at The Observer's helm.

Only one day after the paper changed guard for the 2002-03 publishing year, the University's top student life official announced the most drastic change to the University's alcohol policy since 1984. The policy included a ban on hard liquor in residence halls, a barring of in-hall dances and a revamping of the tailgating policy to allow off-age students to drink in designated parking lots on football weekends.

In the days that followed, students flooded Main Building in protest with flaming copies of DuLac in hand. Student Senate vowed to fight the ban on in-hall dances and a crowd of students stormed the Dome at night, hurling bottles of liquor at the steps of the building.

Down in the basement

of South Dining Hall, McFarley and the new editorial board were pounding out ways to keep their coverage balanced.

"Our coverage of the whole policy change was big because student mobilization against it was big," said McFarley about the two-week string of front-page stories that appeared about the new policy in The Observer.

The board decided to publish a four-editorial series examining how the policies affected residential life, the tailgating policy, student reaction to the policy change and the process by which the administration made the decision.

The editorials were aimed to address questions raised by both the editorial board and students about the policy, McFarley said. But on the front page and the editorial page, the staff's goal was to represent all sides of the debate, not just the student view.

"It was a big issue in Ed Board," McFarley said. "We are a newspaper put out by students, but we serve a community. Something we wanted to solidify in Ed Board — and to the public — was that we would be critical of students and administrators."

It wasn't an easy story



TONY FLOYD/The Observer

Following Father Mark Poorman's ban of in-hall dances and hard alcohol, Jesse Hensley burns a copy of du Lac at a student protest.

to tackle in the first week of publishing, but looking back, McFarley thinks the staff handled everything right.

"It was a lot of teamwork, a lot of talking," he

said. "I'm proud of us. I don't think I would have done anything differently."

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Finding 'Pride at Notre Dame'

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

In the age of the Information Superhighway, the country would be exposed to new cultures that had been silent before. The '90s marked a new progression of the Civil Rights movement: multiculturalism and sexual orientation. Gay and lesbian rights organizations vocally broke into a culture that had uncomfortably looked the other way and in which they were silent. As attitudes and experiences slowly began to be discussed in public forums across the country, the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community would wrestle with the issues of sexuality and its role in a Catholic environment.

In 1984, a campus gay rights organization, Gays and Lesbians at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College (GLND/SMC), formed. In 1995, the University forbade the group from meeting on campus after it advertised the group's location and meeting time.

The campus response was quick. A number of student-organized protests followed the announcement. Although the group's cause was met with fairly wide support, the repeated refusal of University officials to recognize or allow the group to have a presence on campus led to a highly publicized struggle between student advocacy and the administration. The Observer documented the story in its news coverage, but few could have guessed that the paper itself would be brought into the struggle.

On April 4, 1996, Father David Garrick published a letter in the Viewpoint section of The Observer in which he presented a Catholic perspective on homosexuality and came out as an openly gay, celibate priest. Garrick published another letter in The Observer on March 17, 1998, this time to announce his resignation from the University because of his suspension from pastoral duties in the Basilica that he believed was a reaction against his open homosexuality.

The Observer published news articles detailing the protests on the quads and countless Viewpoint letters supporting either Garrick or



The OBSERVER/ROB FINCH

This photo, taken during a 1997 student rally at the Main Building, appeared on the front page of The Observer's special section "Pride at Notre Dame." Its photographer, Rob Finch, was instrumental in portraying the importance of the issue through his work. In 2000, Finch won National Press Photographer of the Year while working at the Beacon News in Aurora, Ill.

the administration. While the paper covered the news aspect of the situation, the editorial board thought the issue deserved special attention. The Observer published a three-part pull-out section called "Pride at Notre Dame" that detailed the human side of the struggle for acceptance and recognition of the gay and lesbian rights at Notre Dame in 1998.

Michelle Krupa '00, the 1999-2000 Editor-in-Chief, pointed out the importance of covering the issue on the campus.

"This was a particular kind of story ... it's an issue that doesn't require us to have a source at The Vatican. This is a hometown issue, it was in our backyard," Krupa said.

Though Krupa and The Observer staff took the issue head-on, it was not easy. The Observer would become embroiled in a bitter fight with the University over its status as an

independent publication and the staff would spend an enormous amount of energy carefully setting editorial policy and keeping the staff united.

"I think there's one scene that sticks out in my mind," Krupa said. "We held a full staff meeting in the fall of '99. We invited every reporter, every copy editor and ad manager, everyone who was on the payroll or not ... We said, 'Do you want us to quit this?' And a guy, a junior, a transfer student, stood up and said, 'If we quit this fight and give up, why would I want to work here?'"

In the end, The Observer retained its independence, the administration refused to include sexual orientation in its 'Spirit of Inclusion' and members of the now defunct GLND/SMC formed a new group, OutreachND, which still remains unrecognized.

Observer Feature

Paper fights for independence

Observer Staff Report

Every issue for 35 years, The Observer has asserted its independence either through editorial policy or a statement in the masthead.

For the newspaper, independence means the student-run daily operates independently of administrative oversight at the University and College, pays rent for its facility and is free to make its own editorial decisions.

Independence has not gone without challenge, however. The most recent battle to maintain the paper's independent status exploded on August 23, 1999, when assistant to the president Chandra Johnson told then-Editor in Chief Michelle Krupa in a letter that unrecognized student groups could not advertise in the publication.

The letter was sent at Krupa's request for a written University policy regarding controversial advertising following a discussion of an ad from GALA, the Gay and Lesbian Alumni of Notre Dame-Saint Mary's.

Quoting a 1998 e-mail sent to

former Editor in Chief Heather Cocks, the letter said "Outside groups that, directly or indirectly, espouse positions contrary to the moral teaching of the Catholic Church may not advertise."

The newspaper stated in a Sept. 6, 1999 editorial that it makes its own policy decisions, stating that its own self-imposed restrictions on advertising proved its respect for the community. It said the ban restricted academic and intellectual freedom.

The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community responded by flooding the Viewpoint section with letters. Faculty drafted a petition to recall the ban, and Student Senate adopted a resolution and open letter for an independent committee to examine and establish a definition for the newspaper's relationship with the University.

"We are a newspaper serving a Catholic community. We are not a Catholic newspaper," Krupa said at a meeting of the Student Senate.

The Observer's editorial independence was guaranteed by

then-University President Father Theodore Hesburgh in 1983, when the newspaper joined the University's Budget Unit Control System after misappropriating funds.

"The administration of the University has ensured the editorial freedom of The Observer in the past and continues to do so," Hesburgh wrote to '83 Editor in Chief David Dziedzic. Krupa argued in 1999 that while the paper was under the Budget Unit Control System, the University functioned as the paper's accountant, not publisher.

University president Father Edward Malloy convened an internal ad-hoc committee to explore the University's relationship with the student paper in January of 2000. Chaired by David Solomon, the committee submitted a report to Malloy at the end of fall semester, but the results were not made public.

"Regardless of the conclusion of the committee, The Observer continued to operate as an independent newspaper without outside editorial influence," said Mike Connolly, 2000-2002 editor in chief.

SPORTS

Dohrmann strives for in-depth coverage

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Assistant Managing Editor

Without George Dohrmann, The Observer's sports pages would look completely different.

But without The Observer, Dohrmann, who currently writes for Sports Illustrated, probably wouldn't have won a Pulitzer Prize.

Dohrmann won a Pulitzer Prize in 2000 for his investigative reporting of academic fraud within the University of Minnesota's basketball team. He first reported on the case in March 1999 after nearly three months of interviews and research.

"There were times you just felt like pulling your hair out, because you knew what was there, but you just couldn't get to the bottom of it," he said.

Dohrmann, who served as Sports Editor from 1993-1995, said his time with The Observer provided the foundation for his love for sports writing.

While the Observer may have influenced Dohrmann, Dohrmann definitely left his mark on The Observer.

"I didn't go to class — and my parents were great — they were like, 'Stay off probation,'" he told The Observer after winning the Pulitzer. "My education at Notre Dame, with the exception of a few classes, was literally The Observer."

Dohrmann expanded coverage of interhall football, Bengal Bouts and Bookstore Basketball — three campus events popular with students that had received very little attention in The Observer before he took over.

He changed the appearance of the Irish Extra, an eight-page special section published every Friday before football games profiling Notre Dame's opponent that weekend. Dohrmann also added a four-page insert the Monday after football games wrapping up Saturday's game. Both elements are still included in The Observer's sports coverage.

One of the biggest football games in Notre Dame history, the 1993 "Game of the Century" against Florida State happened during Dohrmann's tenure. The Friday before the game, The Observer published a 12-page special edition previewing the game.

After graduating from Notre Dame, Dohrmann landed a job with the Los Angeles Times before he moved to the St. Paul Pioneer Press, where he broke the story that led to his Pulitzer Prize. Dohrmann moved to Sports Illustrated shortly after winning the Pulitzer.

TECHNOLOGY BEAT

Observer goes global

Observer Staff Report

On August 25, 1999 The Observer went global when it published its first full-content online edition.

Designed by then-Notre Dame student Marty Rose, the Web site has allowed quick and easy access to Observer stories beyond the confines of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses.

The addition of an online edition has allowed The Observer to report in a more timely and in-depth way. When former football coach George O'Leary resigned just five days into the job during study days, The Observer printed articles on-line. Also, when a power outage during February of 2002 stopped the paper's presses for a day, The Observer was still able to put out an on-line version of the day's paper.

The Observer's online edition can be found at <http://observer.nd.edu>.

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1984 Alcohol policy changes spark campus outrage

By KERRY SMITH

Assistant Managing Editor 2001-02

The Observer's April 17, 1984 headline conveyed a dismal message to students: "The party is over."

With the release of a new University alcohol policy proposal, a late-semester standoff between students and administrators emerged into one of the biggest events in the 1980s.

The proposal included many changes, including eliminating all dorm-room parties, setting the number of people constituting a party at twice the number of people living in the dorm room, banning all alcohol except beer and wine from campus and eliminating bars from dorm rooms.

The policy revision proposal was accompanied by threats on both sides of the issue.

Father William Beauchamp, chairman of the Committee on the Responsible Use of Alcohol, released the proposal with a blunt message to the student body.

"Student cooperation is essential in this policy. Otherwise it is very likely that the campus will go dry. Those aren't my words; those are Father Hesburgh's."

That message did not deter students from voicing their opposition to the proposal.

Flooding the quads, more than 1,500 students protested the University's move the following day. Encroaching upon the Main Building, students set off firecrackers and threw bottle rockets at the Main Building.

The Observer also voiced its disapproval of the proposal.

In a strongly-worded editorial headlined "An alcohol policy that won't work," the newspaper's editors called the proposal a "a major administration blunder," and warned "the university must be ready to face the major consequences of this rash act."

More protests ensued, as 2,000 students stormed the Main Building later that same week in what The Observer called "near-riot conditions."

Student body president Rob Bertino led the charge, drinking a can of beer on the steps of the Main Building in protest.

The Administration took out a full two-page advertisement in The Observer Friday, April 27 which included the full text of the policy proposal.

Students responded that afternoon with another 2,000-person rally.

Some students even went so far as to stealing a bust of former Notre Dame football coaching legend Knute Rockne and according to a ransom note threatened to keep it "till the students have their beer."

The vigorous objections and prolonged protests of the student body played a role in the revisions to the policy that took place over the summer.

When the final policy was put into action in August of 1984, administrators removed the proposed bans on liquor and dorm parties.

Other changes made to the proposal over the summer and then implemented were a ban on all drinking games, an increase in the penalty for bringing a keg on campus and making all alcohol brought on to campus concealed.



Signs of Protest

After student body leaders rallied underclassmen to protest the 1984 alcohol policy changes, students draped signs

of discontent over the outside of their dorms, like these hung at Dillon and Alumni Halls. The signs were one component of a four-part student initiative of protest.

Holtz leads Irish to national football title

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Assistant Managing Editor

Before Lou Holtz won his only national championship in 1988, The Observer had always covered national championship teams. In 1966 and 1977, issues of The Observer contained just a few articles about the national championship games.

But in 1988, The Observer published a special section commemorating the national champions in its first issue after Christmas and set a new standard for The Observer's sports coverage.

In the final issue before Christmas break, The Observer printed an 8-page Irish Extra issue — a special publication that would evolve into today's Irish Insiders. Staff writers were also sent to the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz., the site of Notre Dame's game against West Virginia.

On January 19, 1989, both the front and back pages of the student newspaper had articles similar to those published when the Irish won football titles in 1966 and 1977. However, a 20-page special section con-

tained articles recapping every game Notre Dame had played as well as a photo essay in the middle of the special section.

The front page of The Observer's January 19, 1989 special issue closely resembled the South Bend Tribune's special section published ten days before. Black lettering on a gold background framed a huge picture of several Irish players celebrating.

It was the first time The Observer had covered a national championship so thoroughly, but it wouldn't be the last.

In 1994, The Observer published daily articles during the three-day fencing national championships, culminating in a series of articles the day after the Irish won the title.

After the women's soccer team won a national championship in 1995, The Observer published a four-page special section the day after the Irish won the title.

And the entire April 2, 2001 issue of The Observer was exclusively devoted to coverage of the women's basketball team's victory over Purdue to clinch the national title.

Observer joins University BUCS system

By LAUREN BECK
Viewpoint Editor

Financial difficulties in the early 1980s threatened The Observer's independence and prompted a struggle between Observer editors and Notre Dame administrators.

The Observer had previously relied upon advertising revenue and a \$5 student subscription fee established by the Student Senate to operate independently of University control. The student fees proved inadequate, however, as the paper found itself in and out of debt during the mid-1970s. When the 1982-1983 editorial staff requested a \$1 increase in the subscription fee, the University required that the need for an increase be verified by an internal audit of The Observer's finances.

The audit, conducted by the University's internal audit department, revealed sloppy bookkeeping, a \$7,000 deficit and improper spending of Observer funds. Father John Van Wolvlear, vice president for student affairs, suggested to 1983-1984 editor-in-chief David Dziedzic that The Observer place itself on the University's Budget Unit Control System (BUCS), claiming it would benefit the paper financially.

Margaret Fosmoe, managing editor at the time, said the 1983-1984 staff devoted much time to finding an alternative to the University's system. "It was a huge deal because it seemed the newspaper might

give up its touted independence," she said.

The editors feared the administration intended to use the budget system as a means to control The Observer. As originally presented by Van Wolvlear, BUCS would require The Observer to deposit all of its funds into University bank accounts, administrators would oversee all transactions and Observer employees would be placed on the University's payroll system.

The editors initially decided that BUCS was unacceptable. They were making an effort to improve its own accounting methods when the administration issued an ultimatum to The Observer: join the Budget Unit Control System or lose all student fees.

Observer editors publicly criticized the administration's demand in a staff editorial. "The Observer must control its own finances to maintain the independence essential to editorial integrity, since any University control implies a conflict of interest when the paper reports on University matters," they wrote on Oct. 20, 1983.

Members of The Observer business department, however, realized that the paper could not survive without student fees or the rent-free office space provided by the University.

The Observer had no choice but to accept the Budget Control System. "We either had to submit and join the University's budget system or become

entirely independent," said Fosmoe. "That would have involved moving off-campus, relinquishing student fees and possibly not being able to distribute the paper on campus."

The general board voted to join BUCS pending University President Father Theodore Hesburgh's signature on an agreement guaranteeing The Observer's continued editorial independence.

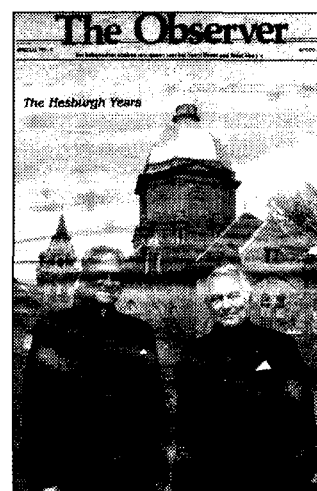
Although Hesburgh declined to sign a contract, he did repeatedly assure The Observer of his commitment to an independent student newspaper. "The administration of the University has ensured the editorial freedom of The Observer in the past and continues to do so ... In turn, The Observer will meet its responsibility of financial accountability by participating in the Unit Budget System," he wrote in a Dec. 6, 1983 letter to Dziedzic.

By the spring of 1984, The Observer was operating smoothly under the University's budget system.

Today, The Observer continues to maintain its editorial independence while fostering financial accountability under the Budget Unit Control System. Fosmoe maintained the decision best served the long-term interest of the paper. "The University has not used its power as financial manager to censor the paper's content," she said. "The Observer appears to be just as independent as it was in the past."

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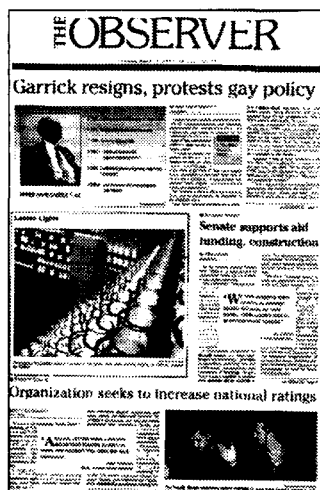
2 'The Hesburgh Years'



An Observer special edition chronicled the highlights of the 35 years of Father Theodore Hesburgh's presidency. The 24-page extra edition was the labor of two editorial boards and followed the legendary president from childhood to Notre Dame.

Spring, 1987

6 Garrick resigns to protest gay policy

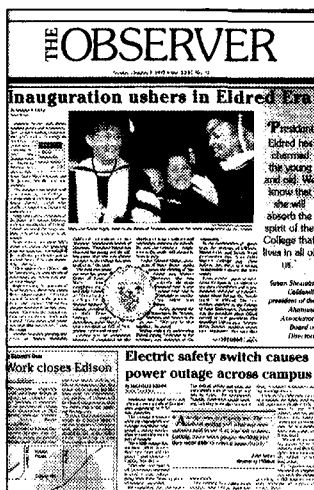


Father David Garrick, assistant professor of communications and theatre, resigned in protest of the University's treatment of gay and lesbian students and faculty.

Garrick said that, after coming out as a celibate homosexual in an April 1996 letter to The Observer, he was suspended from Basilica ministry.

March 19, 1998

7 Inauguration begins Eldred Era



Marilou Eldred was officially inaugurated as the first lay woman president of Saint Mary's College. Eldred succeeded Dr. William Hickey at the College's top post.

Oct. 7, 1997

8 Holtz resigns



Lou Holtz announced he thought it was the "right thing for him to do" to resign from his post as head football coach. Holtz left with the 1988 national championship and won more games than both Frank Leahy and Ara Parseghian.

Nov. 20, 1996

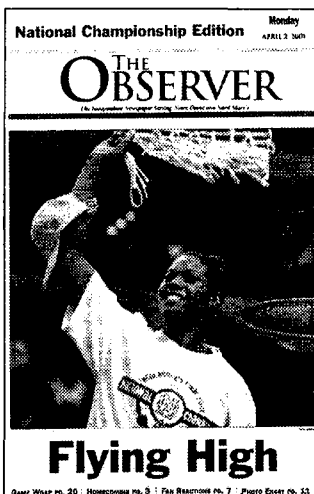
12 Swim team bus crashes



A bus carrying the women's swim team overturned on the Indiana toll road after losing control on a patch of snow. Two freshman students, Margaret "Meghan" Beeler and Colleen Hipp, were killed in the accident, and several others were injured.

Jan. 24, 1992

13 Flying High



The women's basketball team ended a dream season with a 68-66 win over Purdue for the national championship. Senior Ruth Riley hit two key free throws to preserve the win. The team returned to thousands of cheering students at Main Circle for a welcoming ceremony early the next morning.

April 2, 2001

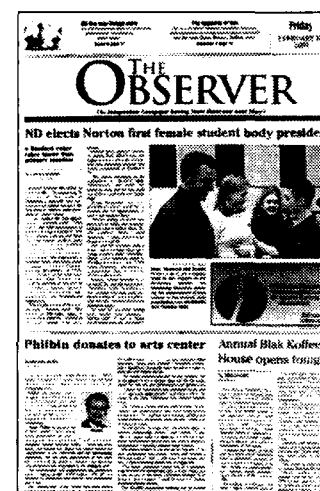
14 '73 National Champions



Notre Dame defeated Alabama in the Sugar Bowl 24-23 to win the 1973 national championship. Tom Clements' dramatic pass from his own end zone preserved Ara Parseghian's second, and last, national title.

Jan. 17, 1974

18 Students elect female prez



In Spring 2001 Brooke Norton accepted a position no female before her had held — student body president. Norton and her vice president Brian Moscona won 56 percent of the vote.

Norton is also the first incumbent vice president to win the role of president since 1973.

Feb. 15, 2001

19 Faust resigns



Gerry Faust's dream ended as he resigned as head coach of the Notre Dame football team. Faust coached the Irish for five seasons. His career record was 30-25-1.

Nov. 27, 1985

20 Police break up porn conf.



South Bend Police broke up a pornography conference at Notre Dame. The police maced several students and seized the films. Students responded by punching police officers. The conference was intended to explore issues of censorship and pornography.

Feb. 8, 1969

1 Merger hopes killed



Notre Dame and Saint Mary's officially called off a year-long plan to merge the two schools. The decision, made by both institutions' Board of Trustees, maintained Saint Mary's status as an independent institution, and set the stage for Notre Dame to accept women in the fall of 1972.

Nov. 30, 1971

35 YEARS

3 Terror hits home

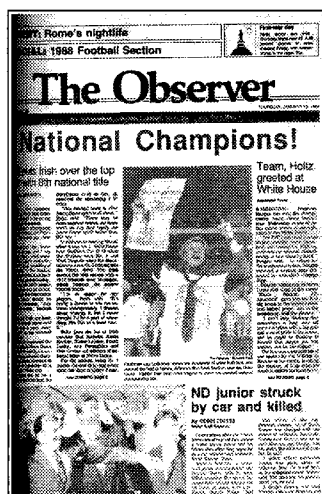


Terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon brought the nation to a halt on Sept. 11, 2001.

The following day's Observer featured wire stories about the day's events, stories about prayer services on campus and community reaction to the tragedy.

Sept. 12, 2001

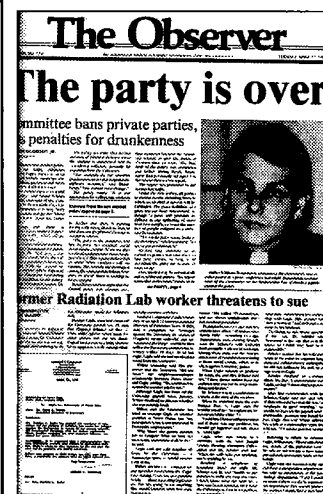
4 ND wins '88 national champ



Students returned to campus after winter break still celebrating Notre Dame's national championship win over West Virginia, 31-28 in Tempe, Az. The team was greeted at the White House by President Ronald Reagan before returning to campus.

Jan. 19, 1989

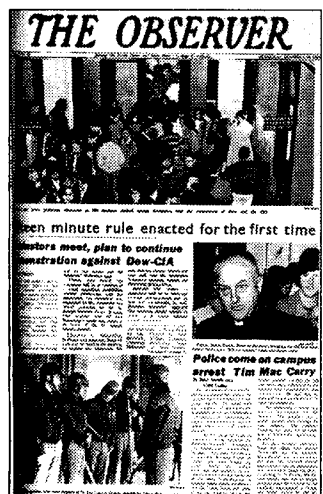
5 The party is over



Father William Beauchamp announced the University would change its alcohol policy to ban all dorm room parties. The policy was later rescinded after student protest.

April 17, 1984

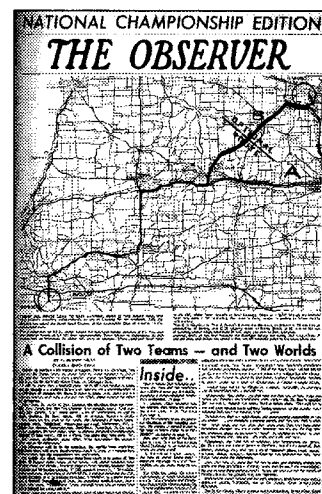
9 Hesburgh suspends ND Ten



Student protestors who refused to disperse from the Main Building after a 15 minute warning were disciplined by the University. Ten students were suspended. The students were protesting Dow Chemical, manufacturer of napalm.

Feb. 27, 1969

10 ND preps for State game



Notre Dame tied Michigan State 10-10 en route to a national championship in 1966. The issue before the face-off of the two No. 1 teams featured a half-page road map for students traveling to the game, as well as game previews and team analysis.

Nov. 17, 1966

11 ND says 'no' to Big Ten



Fearing a loss of a unique identity as a University, Notre Dame's Board of Trustees voted in London not to join the Big Ten Conference. At the same meeting, the Board also voted not to include sexual orientation in the University's legal non-discrimination clause.

Feb. 8, 1999

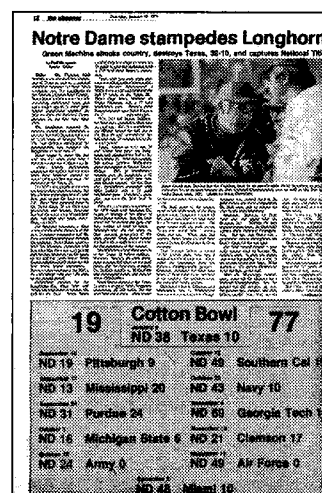
15 Blizzard stops campus



A storm that ripped through South Bend Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1978 kept The Observer from publishing and cancelled classes at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's for three days. The storm, which dropped 20 inches of snow, also closed local airports and streets.

Jan. 30, 1978

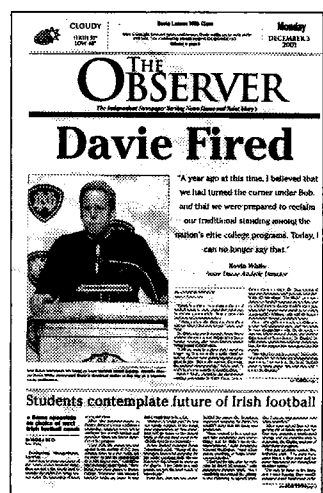
16 Devine wins 1st title



Dan Devine won his only national championship by defeating Texas in the Cotton Bowl, 38-10. The Irish rebounded from an early season loss to Mississippi to climb back up the polls and win the title.

Jan. 19, 1978

17 Davie Fired



Bob Davie was fired the day after he concluded his fifth season with Notre Dame football with the third worst winning percentage in Irish history. His successor, George O'Leary, resigned after only four days on the job after admitting he had falsified statements on his resume.

Dec. 3, 2001

Blizzard covers campus, halts Observer

By Helena Payne
News Editor

Most South Bend residents and Notre Dame students can attest to the fact that fluctuations in local temperatures are no anomaly. Yet, in 1978, one snowy day turned into a blizzard that caught the attention of the Associated Press wire — and presented a challenge before the Jan. 25, 1977 night staff of The Observer.

Former night editor Sandra Colson, Saint Mary's class of 1978, said she and her fellow staff members had to drive the paper to the publisher when all the main roads were closing.

"We never considered not doing it," said Colson. "We would get harassed by the other staff for chickening out."

During the late 1970s, The Observer office was located on the third floor of LaFortune. Colson, a Saint Mary's student, would drive to Notre Dame around 9 p.m. and park in a reserved spot near LaFortune each night that she had to do layout for the paper. However, the night of the blizzard, Colson said she gradually became aware of the obstacle that the snowstorm posed.

"At about midnight, the snow was blowing horizontally," said Colson.

Shortly before the winds picked up,



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the AP wire transmitted a story about a major blizzard in South Bend, giving it "three or four dings," Colson said.

"We just thought, 'oh yeah,'" she said.

After The Observer's typist completed her part of the production process at around 1:30 a.m., Colson said she was going to head back to Saint Mary's until it was time to take the paper to the publisher, located a few miles from the campus.

"We had to get it to the printer by no later than 6 a.m.," Colson said.

Nevertheless, Colson said the paper wasn't complete until around 5 a.m.

"I pulled into about a foot of snow," said Colson.

While snow was accumulating in parking lots, Colson said the roads were so backed up that traffic hardly moved early the next morning on Jan. 26 that year.

"Indiana Bell requested no phone calls Thursday and cars were told to stay off the road," Colson said.

Although Colson managed to drive the paper to the publisher, Notre Dame

closed down Friday January 27, when the city declared an emergency. The papers for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of that week were also delayed. This marked the first time in the newspaper's history that it failed to print an edition on a scheduled publication day. Classes did not resume until the following Tuesday.

With classes suspended, The Observer contained several photos of students playing in the snow and carousing. Colson said many students also frequented the formally popular Library bar located within walking distance of the west side of campus.

"There was just this procession of people with sleds and things walking down to the Library getting cases of beer," said Colson.

Although the storm of 1977 was a complication for the staff workers, Colson said she did not want to be known as part of the staff that could not layout the paper because of a storm.

"We were an AP paper, so we kind of had the responsibility," said Colson.

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King rules campus

By Katie McVoy
Associate Sports Editor

Robert Calhoun Kersten made a very important statement to the Notre Dame student body Feb. 21, 1972 as he announced his candidacy for student body president.

"I don't think Notre Dame is ready for a Democracy yet," Kersten said. "Those of you who vote for me twice will be given preferential treatment."

With that announcement, Kersten began his ascent to the throne, even if that throne was the fourth-floor stall of Walsh Hall that doubled as a campaign office and a bathroom.

King Kersten, self-titled the "Prime Mover," brought the royal treatment to student body elections in 1972, calling for the end of democracy at Notre Dame and the instatement of an oligarchy consisting of Kersten and "a few close friends." After announcing his candidacy in February with his running mate Uncandidate the Cat, Kersten ran on an "unequivocally indefinite" platform focusing on important campus issues such as the recruitment of Yanamamo Indians from Southern Brazil and the distribution of scholarships by lottery.

In addition, Kersten looked to improve relations between students, the media and the administration. He planned on the "hiring of Clifford Irving to establish liaison with the real Father Hesburgh" and planned on taking over The Observer "in order to insure that the paper and the president could see eye-to-eye on all issues."

Although Uncandidate the Cat was voted ineligible by the Election Board with a 4-2 vote, Cat was in attendance at the Ascension Ceremony on May 11. Kersten was elected with 65 percent of the vote on March 2.

During his time in office, the King proved to doubtful University administrators that his daily conversations with God the Father were, indeed, fruitful. In response to skeptic Father William Toohey, Director of Campus Ministry, Kersten walked on the water of St. Joe's Lake.

Kersten also took an interest in campus security, declaring a state of martial law on March 16, 1972.

The "Influential Nonentity" was re-elected campus King in 1973 despite the fact that he was not running.

DeSapio weathers 2 leadership crises

By Chris Federico
Sports Editor

The Observer almost didn't make it to its third birthday.

In the fall of 1969, Editor in Chief Tim O'Meilia and several staff members quit after publishing just one issue. News Editor Guy DeSapio and executive editor Don Holliday were left to pick up the pieces.

"By the time we got to '69-'70, we were trying to run a daily paper, but we were trying to do it with a very marginal staff and without any University support," said DeSapio, who was promoted to editor in chief. "In that year, I was a junior, and we had put out just two editions before the editor-in-chief and some of his friends said, 'This is crazy. We can't

do it all and still go to school and get the education we're supposed to.' In retrospect, he was probably right."

This ordeal left the already-small staff even further short-handed and with the onus of continuing the only 3-year-old paper.

"We didn't know how we would stay in existence," said DeSapio. "But we got a push going, and we got enough people together to sustain it. The next spring, we had a similar crisis, but we again got enough people to carry it over to the next school year."

In his senior year, DeSapio moved on to publisher, and another took over the role as editor. Just as things appeared to be moving along in that fall of 1970, a crisis struck again.

"In the fall of 1970, there was an almost — and I don't want to sound

sacreligious — miraculous rebirth of The Observer," DeSapio said. "I had been the EIC the previous year, and we decided to divide up the responsibilities again. Another senior took over as EIC, but he eventually had to resign under the workload."

Lacking leadership for the second year in a row, those that remained on staff decided they would be forced to shut down the paper.

"We held a meeting at LaFortune one night to decide what we would write the next day with the paper closing," DeSapio said. "At that meeting, in walks Bob Anson [the founder of The Observer in 1966] completely by coincidence. He had been in South Bend and decided to drop in at the office to see how things were running."

Needless to say, the founder of The Observer was less than thrilled about the events that had transpired over the past couple of years.

"Well, he finds out what we are thinking about doing and gives us this great 'Knut Rockne speech,'" DeSapio said. "He spent a while talking to all of us — talking about why he started the paper, and what he had hoped to accomplish with the project."

The inspirational words of the founding editor were enough to convince those remaining staffers to give the paper one last run.

"So after that meeting, a junior, Glen Corso, stepped up and said he'd take over as EIC that year," DeSapio said. "And I guess it's been running smoothly ever since."

Almost merger defines early 1970s at ND-SMC

By Sarah Nestor
News Writer



REV. HESBURGH DISCUSSES WHY THE MERGER WAS HALTED.



SR. ALMA CALLED THE MERGER "TOO COMPLICATED."

The Observer is not always perfect.

On Nov. 30, 1971, the day Notre Dame and Saint Mary's scrapped plans for a merger of the two schools into a single co-ed institution, The Observer blacked out "St. Mary's" in the masthead and predicted the soon demise of the College. Within 10 years, The Observer wrote, Saint Mary's would be bankrupt.

Thirty years of history have proven The Observer's predictions incorrect. Saint Mary's continues to churn out graduates every year like its co-educational neighbor to the east.

The Observer editorial, however, reflected the attitudes of many students at Saint Mary's perfectly. After years of negotiation between the schools, which included announcement of a merger by the two Boards of Trustees on March 25, 1971, the decision to stop the merger shocked students on both campuses.

The day after the merger was rejected, 1,300 Saint Mary's students boycotted class in protest.

The discussion of a merger first surfaced when Saint Mary's President, Sister Mary Grace, was fired in 1968 because of her strong belief that Saint Mary's should retain its identity and independence.

"The charges of Sister Mary Grace remain unchallenged by the Saint Mary's College leaders and even though a merger may not have been the

reason for which she was fired, her remarks did surface a scheme neither school wanted out," Observer Editor in Chief Pat Collins wrote after her dismissal.

The reality of a merger did not begin to be discussed until 1970 when Notre Dame administrators announced the University would become co-ed in the near future. The Observer then began to cover the many forums and plans that students, faculty and administrators proposed and discussed.

The Observer editors took a stance on this matter in an editorial on Nov. 16, 1970, supporting the merger writing "we strongly believe that the proper and true path for the two schools to follow would be to affect a merger."

By the spring semester of 1971 it was almost certain that the merger would come into effect. Because of a survey which revealed that a merger would be best for both institutions, the two schools' Boards of Trustees recommended unification. The complete text of the survey was printed in the Jan. 29, 1971 issue of The Observer.

By the end of the 1970-1971 school year a merger committee had been formed and statements from administrators suggested that a complete merger would be finalized by 1974. In the last issue of the 1970-1971 school year The Observer News staff announced that the plan for the merger was chosen as the top story of the year.

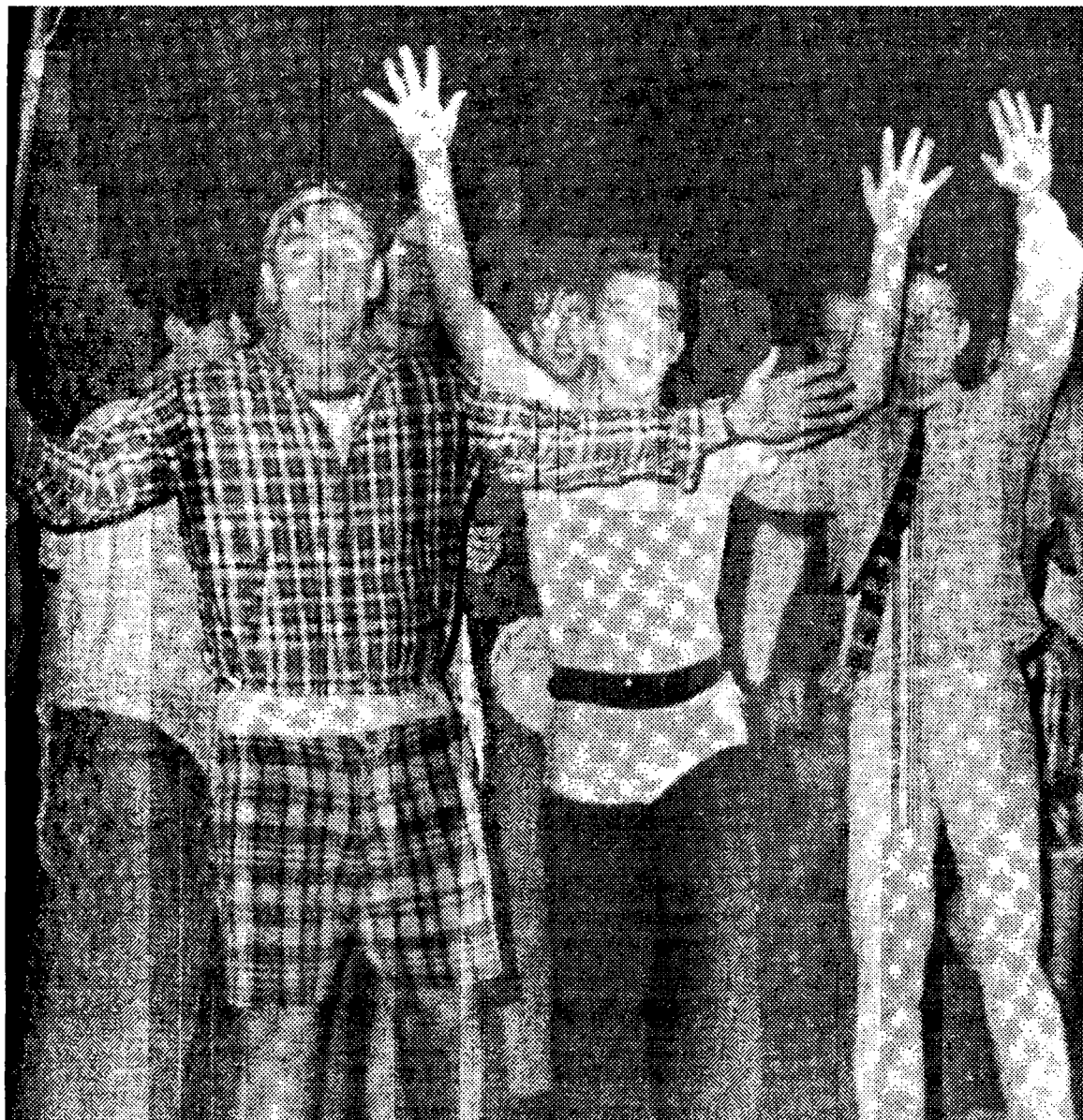
The very next year, the unmerger was chosen the top story and neither school has been the same since.

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"WHAT MAKES YOU WANT TO STEAL PANTIES? HELL BECAUSE THEY ARE THERE!" The Observer covered the Notre Dame spring tradition of panty raids throughout the late 60s and early 70s. Every spring, hundreds of Notre Dame students would march to Saint Mary's usually after midnight chanting and singing. When the crowd reached one of the Saint Mary's dorms, the women would throw panties down to the men. The raids often led to property damage and empty underwear drawers. In 1967, St. Joseph County Police broke up the raid using police dogs. Student Senate later censured the police for using the dogs but urged Notre Dame students to stop future raiding.

Students protest for parietals

By HELENA PAYNE

Protests and young adult angst flourished in the 1960s through the civil rights movement and the Vietnam War, but in addition to coming to terms with the larger issues, Notre Dame students in 1968 were waging their own battle: extending parietal hours.

Parietal hours in the 1960s signified the times when female students from other colleges, commonly called "co-eds," would be allowed to visit Notre Dame men. These visiting hours were only available for a short time during football weekends and other "special" weekends.

Students of the late 1960s were pushing to allow for parietals for more than just occasional weekends, arguing that the students of the all-male University should be allowed to have female visitors every weekend. Led by student government, undergraduates went head-to-head with the administration, under the presidency of Father Theodore Hesburgh, currently president emeritus, about their desire for extended parietal hours.

"It was a time in which people wanted more control over their own lives," said Richard Rossie, student body president for the 1967-1968 academic year.

Along with student body vice president, Chuck Nau, Rossie presided over and spoke at several student government meetings about what he thought were the ills of the 1968 parietal rules almost immediately after they came into office. Rossie was the successor of Chris Murphy, who promoted the extension of parietals and spoke out on

behalf of four students who were suspended in March 1968 after they violated parietal rules. Hesburgh later reinstated the students shortly after, according to The Observer.

"The ultimate concept was that there shouldn't be a rule on parietals, that people should make their own decisions 24 hours a day," said Rossie.

As far as female visitors were concerned, 1969 graduate Gary Rimlinger recalled that the parietal policy left little room for comfort.

"When your mother came to visit, you met her down in the lobby," Rimlinger said.

Rimlinger, a former resident of Farley Hall, said Rossie and Nau, who also lived in Farley Hall when Rimlinger did, were actively involved in representing the student voice before the University's administration.

"They were somewhat vocal all through their school years," Rimlinger said.

However, the activism of Rossie, Nau and other student leaders was put to the test partly by the domestic issues in the U.S., as well as the "conservative student body," according to Rimlinger.

"We were still in the very stereotypical Catholic school mentality," Rimlinger said, adding that students were "much less active."

Rossie said the University's right to act as a parent in student matters, the concept of *in loco parentis*, was alive on the Notre Dame campus of the late 1960s, but students were challenging it.

"[*In loco parentis*] was a concept that was not acceptable anymore," Rossie said.

The former student leader said

students were ready to compromise on the parietal issue as long as the University would recognize students' abilities to be socially responsible. He advocated a parietals solution that was somewhere in the middle of the two extremes of "monastic life" and "having an apartment in Mishawaka."

Extending parietal hours was once again an issue on April 30, 2001 when 300 male and female students slept on South Quad in defiance of parietals, which now operate seven days a week.

The students succeeded in getting the administration to budge slightly, changing the earliest hour that the opposite sex could be in dorm rooms from 10 a.m. to 9 a.m. Currently, parietal hours are between 9 a.m. and midnight Sunday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

"I remember reading [The Observer's article on the 2001 parietal protest] and thinking, 'What are you protesting about? You never had it so good,'" said Rimlinger.

Resounding Rimlinger's sentiments, Rossie said the parietals issue was relative to the times in which students are attending the University. He said the school should engage in informative and honest dialogue about the accepted behavior at a Catholic university and what types of policies are necessary to facilitate those behaviors.

"I would not want my child in a situation where there was no parietal rule, but at the same time, I would find it ridiculous if the University said parietals only one week of the month," Rossie said.

Observer founded to bring new voice to ND

By MIKE CONNOLLY

On Nov. 3, 1966, the first issue of The Observer landed on Notre Dame's campus.

Promising "a liberal policy" dedicated to "an all encompassing search for the truth, both in fact and opinion" The Observer ushered in a new age of journalism at Notre Dame.

Steven Feldhaus, the editor in chief of The Voice, a University funded student paper founded in 1964, decided to kill the poorly funded and poorly edited paper in 1966. Teaming with fellow senior Robert Sam Anson, a sometimes Scholastic contributor, Feldhaus sought to create a new paper — one that would challenge the student body with hard hitting news and radical opinions.

From the ashes of The Voice rose The Observer — an independent student newspaper. Feldhaus and Anson became the first two co-editors in chief.

"We were against the war because it was immoral, against the Administration because it was overbearing and against Mishawaka because it was there," 1966 news editor Pat Collins wrote in 1986 for The Observer's 20th anniversary. Collins became the second editor in chief in 1967.

The Observer included women in the staff box as early as the first issue but it was not the only paper at Saint Mary's until 1968. While some Saint Mary's students worked for The Observer which covered news from both schools, there was another paper at Saint Mary's: The Crux. The Crux folded into The Observer in 1968.

The first year at The Observer was filled with controversy, breaking news and the absurd.

A regular feature of early Observers was "Observed." Editors would print a photo of a pretty student at another school along with a short profile. The women were people the editors were interested in dating, according to Anson.

"Gross sexism it was, but, as one of those editors, I can report the tactic worked," Anson wrote in 1986.

The biggest news coup for The

Observer in its first year involved breaking the name of the "Patriot of the Year" before the official announcement. General William Westmoreland, the head of U.S. forces in Vietnam, was the University's choice for "Patriot of the Year." The senior class gives the award to a person who displays great patriotism.

Accompanying the announcement of the award and a profile of Westmoreland, The Observer printed an editorial slamming the entire process of picking a patriot — especially one who fights wars. Anson credited that editorial for ending the University's tradition of choosing a patriot to honor.

Along with The Observer's edgy campus news coverage came a great deal of controversy. In the Dec. 3, 1966 edition, The Observer reprinted a small story from the Berkeley Barb, a radical student paper from the University of California. The article dealt with the free-love scene in California. The article closed with a quote from the president of a free-love group that used the term "screw" to refer to sex.

University President Father Theodore Hesburgh was not amused. According to an Observer editorial in the Feb. 9, 1967 edition, Hesburgh called the decision to print the story "the most irresponsible act in the history of Notre Dame."

Vice President for Student Affairs Father Charles McCarragher forced Anson and Feldhaus to write an apology letter and deliver the note to every dorm room on campus. McCarragher accused The Observer "destroying the University piece by piece" according to a Feb. 9, 1967 article.

On Feb. 9, 1967, Anson and Feldhaus printed a retraction of their apology saying the letter was delivered only through "administration coercion." The retraction stated that the letter was not intended as a retraction of the article but instead intended to apologize for anyone that could be offended by a term for sex.

In the article, Anson vowed to thoroughly investigate the free-love scene in California personally.

Anson gave Observer its liberal vision

By V. VAN BUREN GILES

Though he had considerable help, one of the major contributors to the vision of The Observer was Robert Sam Anson.

Anson, a Cleveland, Ohio native decided it was time to scrap the old Notre Dame student newspaper, The Voice, and replace it with The Observer.

The defining trait of The Observer as compared to the old Voice was that the new paper actually had one. Anson wanted to give The Observer a magazine approach while being original and different. Students noticed a definite attitude to the publication as it became apparent to the Notre Dame administration that Anson and his staff would tackle the most political and controversial subject matter of the 1960s. Anson wanted The Observer to be in keeping with the spirit of "New Journalism" as epitomized by journalists like Jimmy Breslin, Tom Wolfe and Gay Talese.

W. Hudson Giles, '67, the paper's first executive sports editor, remembers when Anson approached him

about writing for The Observer.

"I was eating in South Dining Hall when this guy with wild strawberry blonde hair sat down across from me. I knew he was an excellent student and he seemed very serious about giving the student body a real newspaper," Giles said.

Late nights have always been the norm at The Observer, even in 1966. The staff worked and played hard. Anson wrote editorials which were in fierce opposition to the Vietnam War. He once compared Lyndon Johnson to Adolph Hitler and called the former U.S. President "a moral slum."

Upon graduating, Anson went directly to work for Time magazine in Chicago. On assignment, he went to Cambodia during the War where he was captured by the North Vietnamese Army and held as a prisoner. He was released and later wrote a book about his experience called "War News," which was dedicated to the men responsible for bringing him home safely.

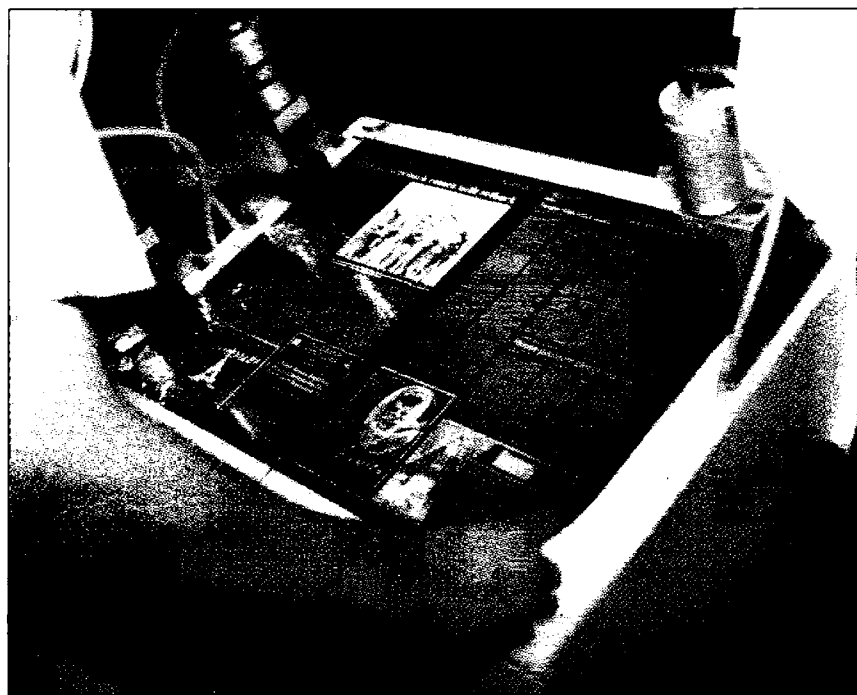
"He was a wonderful and positive force for journalism at Notre Dame," said Giles.

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A dedicated staff works around the clock to produce The Observer daily. Clockwise, from top left, the paper is prepared at the press in Milford, Indiana. After hitting the presses, it arrives on campus and is delivered by faithful driver Jack Radican. Office manager Shirley Grauel keeps the office on pace during the day, and at night, Editor in Chief Jason McFarley begins to edit to make sure it all happens again the next day.

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of Galileo

impressive. This is especially evident in the Italian Carnival scene in which the cast trades their period character garb for Kafkaesque costumes. The surreal costumes also function to elaborate on the underlying conflict in the play. The richness of the costumes is enhanced by Associate Chair of FTT Bruce Auerbach's well-crafted lighting design with vivid, saturated colors, which create a pleasing contrast.

"Because there are all these prejudices on Brecht ... we tried to focus on the Italian aspect and make it cheerful and light-hearted," Teschke said.

"The Life of Galileo" is part of the Galileo Conference that is happening on campus this week. After every performance there is a talk-back session at which the cast and a speaker will answer questions from the audience. Teschke feels that the Catholic atmosphere at Notre Dame made the play worth producing.

"To be honest, I would not have been interested to do it at a place that didn't have the [Catholic] background to do it. ... I was very surprised how open and interested everybody was," Teschke said.

Teschke's vision for the show unabashedly embraces the anachronisms in the show, the director added and subtracted material to manipulate the message.

While this production of "The Life of Galileo" embraces the anachronistic nature of its script, it goes much too far. To begin with, the show is given a framing prologue and epilogue. The story is told from the feverish dream of the historical Virginia in her convent. While this goes to reinforce the idea that Virginia is not a weak character it gives the play a rocky beginning and ending. It is obvious where Brecht begins and FTT ends. The framing of the play spoils part of Brecht's message; it is irrelevant if FTT agrees with the portrayal of Virginia as weak, or not.

And while Lawton shines as Galileo, it is a bit disappointing not to see a student in the lead role. Lawton is a wonderful choice for the cast, and he assumes a leadership role. Though this may be a wonderful opportunity to learn from an experienced actor for the cast, to the audience it appears to be a crutch.

The production has a number of other dubious choices. The idea of pop music such as R.E.M.'s "It's the End of the World as We Know It" during scene changes is laughable. The show has a gorgeous production value and a somber dramatic tone and yet as the scene changes the audience's ears are violated with bubble gum pop music. This idea even fails as "Verfremdungseffekt," the FTT show is too highly produced to even consider rejecting the ideal of portraying reality on stage.

Also added are an opera singer and a dancing nun. While both perform their parts quite beautifully, their addition to the show is also quite pointless. These

additions pull the plays foundations down into a bit of an incoherency. Furthermore, the additions add time to the almost three-hour show.

The production also has a few poor choices in subtraction. Teschke, admittedly promoting an apologist attitude for the Church, change a few key lines relating Galileo and Virginia's relationship with religion causing Galileo to appear a good, albeit misunderstood, Catholic in the show. Whether this issue is histori-

cally ambiguous, Brecht's script certainly does not lend itself to this reading.

While Brecht wanted his audiences to leave thinking, the audience of this production will leave wondering what the hell FTT was thinking.

"The Life of Galileo" is currently running at Washington Hall. Performances are tonight through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. General admission is \$10, \$9 for senior citizens and \$7 for students. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at the LaFortune Student Center Box Office. To order tickets call (574) 631-8128.

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"The Life of Galileo"



FTT

Director: Holger Teschke

Starring: Tony Lawton, Katy Kertez, Kelly Hart, Mike Crowley



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The foppish Ludovico Marsili (played by freshman Pete Gaffney) courts Virginia despite his philosophical differences with Galileo.



C. SPENCER BEGGS/The Observer

Church officials explain Aristotelian cosmology to a young Medici while Galileo tries to get the group to take a look at Jupiter's moons through his telescope.

Clark

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athletic. His speed, his hand-eye coordination and his ability to think and understand the position have been enhanced by being a quarterback. I think it was a good start for him today. Is there still a lot for him to learn? Without question."

Even as Clark leaves the battle for the quarterback position, he moves into another fight for playing time at tight end. While the new offense allows for as many as three tight ends on the field at any given time, Gary Godsey, Billy Palmer and Matt Root all have experience at tight end and are physically built and conditioned for tight end. The 220-pound Clark said he needs to add more weight and that he has to adjust to the different type of workouts.

But for him, football just got a lot more fun.

"I think I have more fun at tight end," he said. "I just run out and hit people and catch balls. I think maybe I thought about things too much [as quarterback]

"I think I have more fun at tight end. I just run out and hit people and catch balls."

Jared Clark
Irish player

and now I can just play football."

Apparently, Clark isn't the only player in the process of making a position change.

After practice, Willingham said other players would be making position changes, but he refused to reveal who those players are.

Note:

♦ Ten former Notre Dame players have a chance to get chosen at this weekend's NFL Draft.

Defensive end Anthony Weaver will probably be picked the highest, and could even be a late first-round selection.

Linebacker Tyreo Harrison has dramatically improved his stock in pre-draft workouts, and wowed scouts with his 30-plus-inch vertical.

Other Irish players who have a chance at getting drafted, but will probably be late-round selections, include linebacker Rocky Boiman, running back Tony Fisher, receivers Javin Hunter and David Givens, offensive lineman Kurt Vollers, defensive end Grant Irons and tight end John Owens.

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RICO CASARES/The Observer

Rising junior Jared Clark attempts a pass in spring drills earlier this year. Clark will be changing positions from quarterback to tight end.

BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL XXXI

Two 'Shocker' squads enjoy 2nd-round wins

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

On a day when the wind forced teams to pound the ball inside, teams called the Shockers were nearly unstoppable in the paint on their way to second-round Bookstore Basketball victories Thursday.

Sporting Notre Dame basketball jerseys that would have been fashionable 20 years ago, the Shockers dispatched Big Macs and Small Fries by a 21-11 score. The Shockers, comprised of Greg Connors, Dave Depiazza, Mike Richard, Matt Altman and Matt Hibel, dominated the offensive glass on their way to the convincing victory.

"Constricting our movement really helps our performance," said Connors of the team's

short shorts. They definitely contributed a little bit."

"They have a cooling effect and less wind resistance," added Richard. "Aerodynamics is where it's at."

Big Macs' Jimmy Constanzo said that they "threw the team together. Skill-wise we are a little lacking."

The rest of the team was comprised of Dan Tarsha, Neil Vargas, John Baker and Doug Lawrence.

Seeded teams fared well as No. 8 Stinky-Pinky and the Shockers dominated DV-DA 21-4 and No. 7 La-Z-Boy defeated Sea Men and Backdoor Action 21-8.

Stinky-Pinky scored numerous fast break points on their way to win. Comprised entirely of players from Knott Hall, the team is made up of Blake Burgess, Brian Price, Mike

Pykosz, Scott Evans and Ben Gilfillan.

DV-DA was satisfied with reaching the second round. "We got lucky to get this far," said Neal Salisan. "Maybe we would have done better if we were a little soberer."

The Sea Men, composed of Kyle Forsythe, Kelechi Ndukwe, Dan Welch, Patrick McCarthy and Josh Marcum, competed with La-Z-Boy during the early stages of their game, but eventually size took over. "With three navy guys we have Sea Men," Welch said describing their team name, "but we didn't have enough backdoor action today."

"They played well and organized," said Ndukwe. "We felt like we could play with them at first."

"They played like a No. 7 seed should play," added Forsythe.

La-Z-Boy advanced, despite the heat, according to Jason Ditsch, who played with Dillon residents Tommy Walz, Matt Fox, Dan Boston and David Yeager. "We played good defense, and fundamentals carried us through today," said Ditsch.

One of the more competitive games of the day was a 21-16 victory for In Vlade We Trust over the Hot Carls. Vlade, comprised of Nate Hansen, Adam Vecchi, Jeff Stolges, Mike Conklin and Jim Cusick, started strong in jumping to an early 8-3 lead.

Hot Carls, made up of Andrew Schreiner, Joe Dietz, Mike Macritchie, Brian Chap and Kevin Leary from Morrissey Manor, crept within one on four different occasions but could not tie the game. With the score 15-14, Chap hurt his

ankle but continued to play, but Vlade began to pull away, scoring four of the next five baskets for a 19-15 lead.

"We had to take it down low because of the wind," said Hansen. "We hit shots and rebounded."

Dietz agreed, "They shot well and we couldn't break their zone."

One major upset occurred when Four Guys Whose Girlfriends Didn't Cheat On Them defeated No. 13 Nunc Dimittis 21-18 in an extremely tight, physical game. The score was tied 10 times in the game before Four Guys broke the last tie at 17 by scoring three straight for a 20-17 lead that they never relinquished.

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Old Boys

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club team here. We made a concerted effort into bringing rugby back to this campus," said Bishop. "We started building alumni support by writing letters and e-mail to former players. We sent a petition around campus and got 1,400 student signatures. The next fall, we drafted an 11-page constitution and presented a proposal to Student Affairs and Student Activities."

Slowly but surely, the trio's hard work began to pay off. Although the team was not recognized by Student Activities as an officially sponsored team sport at Notre Dame, Student Affairs did choose to recognize rugby as a club sport.

The ruling essentially meant that the trio was allowed to form a team that could practice on campus, but could not play official games on campus. Furthermore, the team was not allowed to have any official affiliation with the University. Thus,

in the fall of 2000, the trio formed the South Bend Old Boys Rugby Club.

"We got a lot of our friends to sign up at first," said McGinty. "We started having practice twice a week. Then it just caught on by word of mouth. By the end of the first year, we had 14 members. Anyone can just come to practice and give it a shot. Last year was kind of rough. Dave, John and I had to be the coaches and teach everyone the game. We had to just scrimmage a bunch of local rugby clubs and Penn High School for most of our games. We only had three games against other universities."

One year later, the club is alive and well. The size of the team has now more than doubled to 30 members. Just as important, the national governing body of rugby in the United States (USA Rugby) recognized the Old Boys an official rugby organization.

Rugby: A Culture Unto Its Own

Imagine a full-contact sport with no pads, no stoppages of play, and no substitutions. Sounds tough, huh? Just ask the

Old Boys. For the 30 members of the squad, rugby is more than just a game. It is a way of life.

"Rugby is a worldwide brotherhood," said Bishop. "I started playing rugby in high school in Canada. My parents now live in Australia where rugby is just huge. I could go to any city and wear my rugby shirt and be accepted. Last summer, a rugby club in Australia let me compete with them."

"There's no other sport like it," said junior Billy Hutchins. "You beat the hell out of each other for 80 minutes. Then after the game, you take the other team out to a party. There is no animosity out there. After the game, we're all friends."

Rugby originated in England in 1823. It is a popular sport in Europe, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. Only in recent years has rugby caught on in the United States. It is now the fastest growing club sport in America.

Rugby is often compared to American football because of the scoring opportunities, but McGinty does not believe that is

an entirely accurate comparison.

"The way you score is very similar to football," said McGinty. "But the style of play is much different. Rugby is a cross between hockey and soccer. It's like hockey, except without the skates, because there are no stoppages of play and you are supposed to constantly hit each other. It's like soccer because it is a rough game with no pads where you have to run around a huge field for 80 minutes with no substitutions."

Rugby is not a sport for the faint of heart. It is a very physically intense, brutal game.

"It is the toughest game I've ever played," said sophomore John Torro. "It's hard but it's part of the fun."

"The guys out there are crazy," said fellow sophomore Tres 'Dirty' Studer. "I thought I'd fit right in so I gave it a shot. The sport is the most intense sport out there. The brotherhood is unmatched in any other type of organization."

"Everyone gets hurt and injured at one point or another," said sophomore Stefan Borovina.

"Everyone is sore after the game. My shoulder still hurts from last Saturday's game. Because of the bond that is formed between teammates, everyone plays through the pain."

"There are 2000 pounds of pressure on people's heads and necks during the scrums," said McGinty. "There's a special bond that develops from that. We all respect each other out there."

A Happy Ending

After only playing three games last season, team members worked extremely hard over last summer to contact other schools' athletic programs to schedule games. By the end of this school year, the team will have competed in a total of 12 games.

Despite not having a coach, scholarships or any funding, the Old Boys have an unbelievable record of 6-3. Even more impressive, this team is competing with some of the best programs in the land. This year's squad has defeated schools with large enrollments and huge athletic departments such as Michigan and Tennessee.

"I think a lot of teams take us lightly because we don't have any of the Notre Dame practice gear or uniforms," said McGinty. "They know we are Notre Dame, but we look like the Bad News Bears out there. We just recently saved up enough money to buy our own jerseys. We all wear different colored socks. We play totally out of love for the sport. Maybe because we are a self-made team, we push each other harder than the other teams."

This weekend, the team will play its final two home games of the season, against Central Michigan and Michigan State. Game times are set for Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 2 p.m.

For Bishop, who is set to graduate this May, these final three games of his rugby career at Notre Dame will be bittersweet.

"This is for me what I'm leaving this University," said Bishop. "Everyone has something to offer, and this is what I had to offer. Along with the other guys on the team, rugby will be our legacy at Notre Dame."

Although the team is not officially sanctioned, both McGinty and Bishop are hopeful that sometime in the future, Irish rugby will again be an NCAA sport. If not, both players are proud that they helped provide an opportunity for other students to play rugby at Notre Dame.

"When I meet people abroad and tell them I go to ND, they are surprised that we do not have an official rugby team," said Bishop. "We're the Fighting Irish. If anyone should have a rugby team, it's Notre Dame. I know this club will continue to just improve. There are only two juniors and one senior on the team. The rest of the team is all freshmen and sophomores."

"I realize it won't happen during my time here," said McGinty. "It'd be nice to play our games at Stepan and wear 'IRISH' across our chests. It is my hope that some day my kids could come here and play rugby for Notre Dame."

Notes:

♦ To support The Old Boys at their games this weekend:

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Hey students..... Join alumni!

The Notre Dame Alumni Association and the Student Alumni Relations Group will sponsor the following events on April 23 and April 26:

❖ Alumni Association Open House

Tuesday, April 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Notre Dame Room, LaFortune.

This event will be open to all students but geared towards graduating students. Come learn about the benefits of your free Alumni Association membership and involvement in your local alumni club. Door prizes include alumni apparel and a pair of football tickets. Free t-shirts will be provided for the first 400 arrivals. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Food will be served.

We will also have information about "**Classic Europe**" -- the trip of a lifetime for Notre Dame graduates. This trip is a 17-day excursion on which you'll visit London, Paris, Athens, Rome, and many other European destinations. You won't want to miss this last chance to sign up! Tour dates: May 30-June 15, 2002. Get detailed information from a travel professional at the Open House.

❖ Lunch with Alumni

Friday, April 26 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in South Dining Hall. Join over 200 alumni club leaders for lunch in South Dining Hall. You'll find that they're not just about plaid pants.

❖ Young Alumni Social

Friday, April 26 from 9:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. in Alumni-Senior Club. This event is open to all students who are over 21. Hosted by young alumni, this social is a great opportunity to network with alumni of all ages from across the country. Free pizza will be provided.



ND TENNIS

Men's team begins tournament with bye

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's tennis team, heading to Miami this weekend for the Big East Championship, will have an easy ride to the title match of the tournament.

That final match, though, could be a "collision of strengths," according to Irish head coach Bobby Bayliss.

The Irish, with a 19-6 record, are seeded first in the six-team competition. The 10th-ranked Irish dropped three places in the national standings after their upset loss to Kentucky last Saturday, but the team is still confident about its chances in Miami.

"Our goal is to win [the tournament]," Bayliss said.

Freshman Brent D'Amico said, "We're going to take every match seriously, but I don't think we're worried."

The team, which has a bye for Friday's first round, is confident of being able to survive the second round, in which Notre Dame will face the winner of the Boston College-Rutgers match.

The challenge will come in the title match, where the Irish will take on either the defending champion Miami Hurricanes or the Virginia Tech Hokies.

The Hokies, ranked 35th, have achieved recent triumphs over No. 18 Virginia Commonwealth and No. 30 Tulane.

The Irish will play at 9 a.m. on Saturday, and the Hokies play at noon, so Bayliss and his team will be in the stands scouting them out.

"We'll be there, lunch in our hands, and taking notes, so we'll know what we have to do the next day," Bayliss said.

The Hurricanes are currently ranked 43rd, but they have been as high as No. 18.

According to Bayliss, the team has vastly improved recently after they changed their lineup and are fresh off a win over No. 25 Georgia Tech.

"They seem to be getting some momentum," Bayliss said.

The Irish have been making lineup changes for doubles play, but unlike Miami, Notre Dame has yet to find a complete lineup that works for them.

The only guarantee with doubles play recently has been the duo of seniors Javier Taborga and Casey Smith, ranked fifth nationally. The other combinations have not worked well for the Irish.

Bayliss expects to pair seniors Ashok Raju and Aaron Talarico, Taborga's doubles partner last year, as the team's No. 2 doubles pair. The No. 3 pair is yet to be decided.

If the Irish play Miami, 14th-ranked Taborga could be challenged by the Hurricanes' No. 1 player, freshman Todd Widom, who is ranked 22nd nationally. Widom challenged Taborga at an indoor match at Notre Dame earlier this season, but Notre Dame's No. 1 player couldn't upset Miami's star player.

Bayliss believes their matchup in Miami will be tougher for Taborga.

"I think that match will be a little harder to win outdoors for Javier," Bayliss said. "I think the rest of the lineup, if we play Miami, we look pretty solid in the middle of the lineup, but down low, they're pretty good and we're pretty good, so there's a collision of strengths," he said.

The Irish, while confident, are expecting and hoping to be challenged, in order to better prepare themselves for the NCAA tournament.

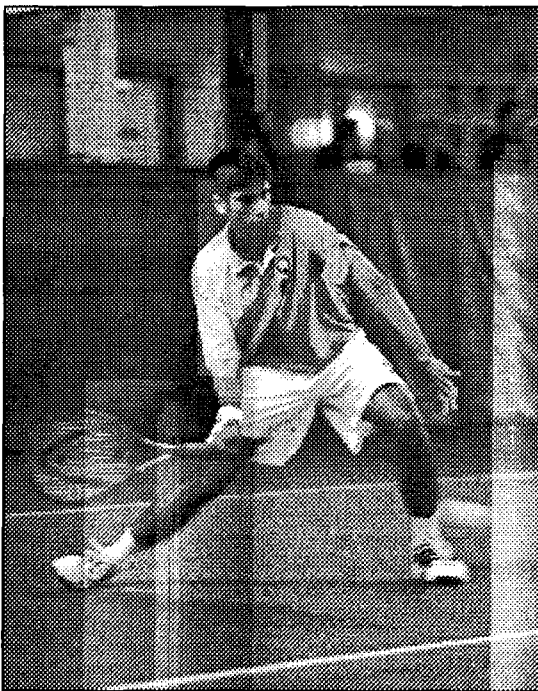
"It's always a challenge to go down there," Bayliss said. "Their fans come to support them, and they yell and scream, and it's 95 degrees and windy and hot and muggy, and it will be difficult, but we need that kind of challenge right now. We need to achieve something that we're proud of, and this is certainly a worthwhile goal to propel us into the post-season."

D'Amico said, "Our expectations are to win the tournament. We'd like to go out and take care of business."

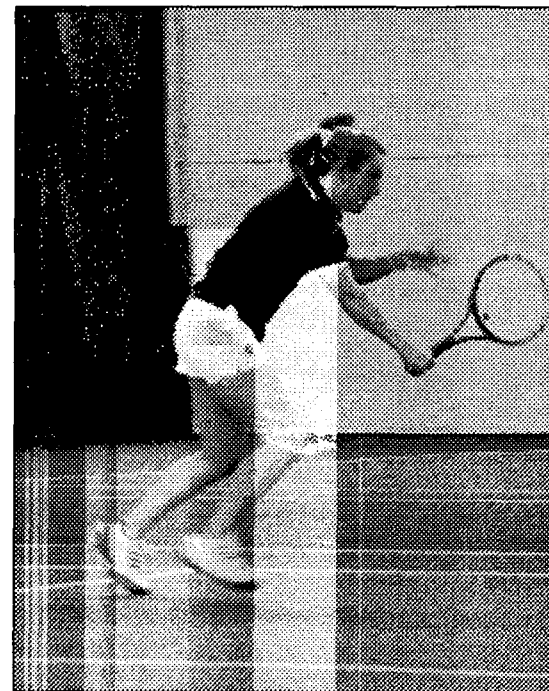
Despite all of the challenges, the Irish are expecting to enjoy the experience.

"I'm excited. It'll be a lot of fun; we get to go to Miami," D'Amico said.

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Irish senior Ashok Raju returns a shot in a match earlier this season.



A Notre Dame women's tennis player rushes up the court for a backhand shot.

Women return as top seed

Special to The Observer

The 20th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team will set out in search of its fifth Big East Conference title in the last seven years when it takes part in the 2002 Big East Championship this weekend at the Neil Schiff Tennis Complex on the University of Miami campus in Coral Gables, Fla. The Irish are the defending champions this season, having downed Miami, 4-1, in last year's title match. UM is hosting the Big East Championship for the ninth year in a row.

For the seventh consecutive season, Notre Dame is the top seed in the tournament and has been rewarded with a bye

through the quarterfinal round. The Irish will face either No. 4 seed Boston College or fifth-seeded Syracuse Saturday in the semifinal round. The championship and third-place matches are scheduled for Sunday.

For the second year, the format of the tournament will be a single-elimination tournament of the top six teams in the league, as selected by the conference, with the top two seeds gaining first-round byes.

The winner receives the Big East's automatic berth into the NCAA Championships, which begin at campus sites on May 11. The Irish have earned the No. 1 seed in each of their seven years in the conference, advancing to the

final in each of the past six years to face Miami, winning titles in 1996, 1997, 1999 and 2001.

Five Notre Dame players have past experience playing in the Big East Championship. Most notably, Becky Varnum is 5-1 in singles and 4-1 in doubles, earning the title-clinching victory a year ago.

Senior Nina Vaughan also has done well in conference tournament play, going 3-1 in singles and 1-0 in doubles, while senior Lindsey Green is 3-2 in singles and 4-1 in doubles. Both Vaughan and Green were instrumental in last year's championship, teaming up for an 8-6 win at No. 3 doubles, which clinched the opening point for the Irish.

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Golf

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season ended today, Ratay's single campaign stroke average of 72.81 would be the lowest average in school history.

The senior will be looking to defend the share of the individual crown he captured last spring, but for him team goals are far more important than any individual success he might enjoy.

"I like our chances," Ratay said. "We've been playing better lately, and in a relatively small field,

it's easy to have one bad day, so I think on a given day you can beat anybody."

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Whether a good bit of local knowledge is enough to offset a sizeable gap in talent between the third-seeded Irish and the unquestioned front-runners remains to be seen, but Jasinski maintains his optimism. His troops know exactly how much is at stake.

"You don't even need to mention the NCAA berth," he said. "Everyone knows it's there. It's a huge motivating factor in the back of everybody's mind."

The Irish may want to be armed with that motivation — and a slingshot — this weekend.

"I like our chances. We've been playing better lately, and in a relatively small field, it's easy to have one bad day, so I think on a given day you can beat anybody."

Steve Ratay
Irish golfer

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BASEBALL

Irish to face Pirates in crucial weekend series

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Editor

The Notre Dame baseball team travels to South Orange, N.J. this weekend for a key three-game series with Big East rival Seton Hall.

The Irish and the Pirates are locked in the midst of a five-team tie for second place in the conference. The five teams each hold an 8-6 conference record, two games behind Big East leader Boston College.

The Irish are currently playing their best baseball so far this year, having won six games in a row and 15 of their last 17.

In three non-conference victories this week over Central Michigan, Ball State and Toledo, the Irish outscored their opponents 35-14.

The three games saw Irish bats explode for 38 hits, led by the effort of senior centerfielder Steve Stanley, who went 7-for-10 with five runs scored, in pushing his team-leading batting average to .476.

Seniors Andrew Bushey and Paul O'Toole each added a grand slam to the Irish effort.

"We've been playing very

well recently," Stanley said. "It's going to lift the whole team. We've gotten so much better, [from] one through nine in the lineup. I think that helps out so much, because we can give our pitchers some confidence when we score runs."

During the three mid-week games, many Irish pitchers saw playing time. After allowing nine runs in the game against Central Michigan, the staff locked down to allow

only five runs combined against Ball State and Central Michigan. The team ERA is currently at 3.47, just slightly higher than last season's 3.22 ERA, which ranked fifth nationally.

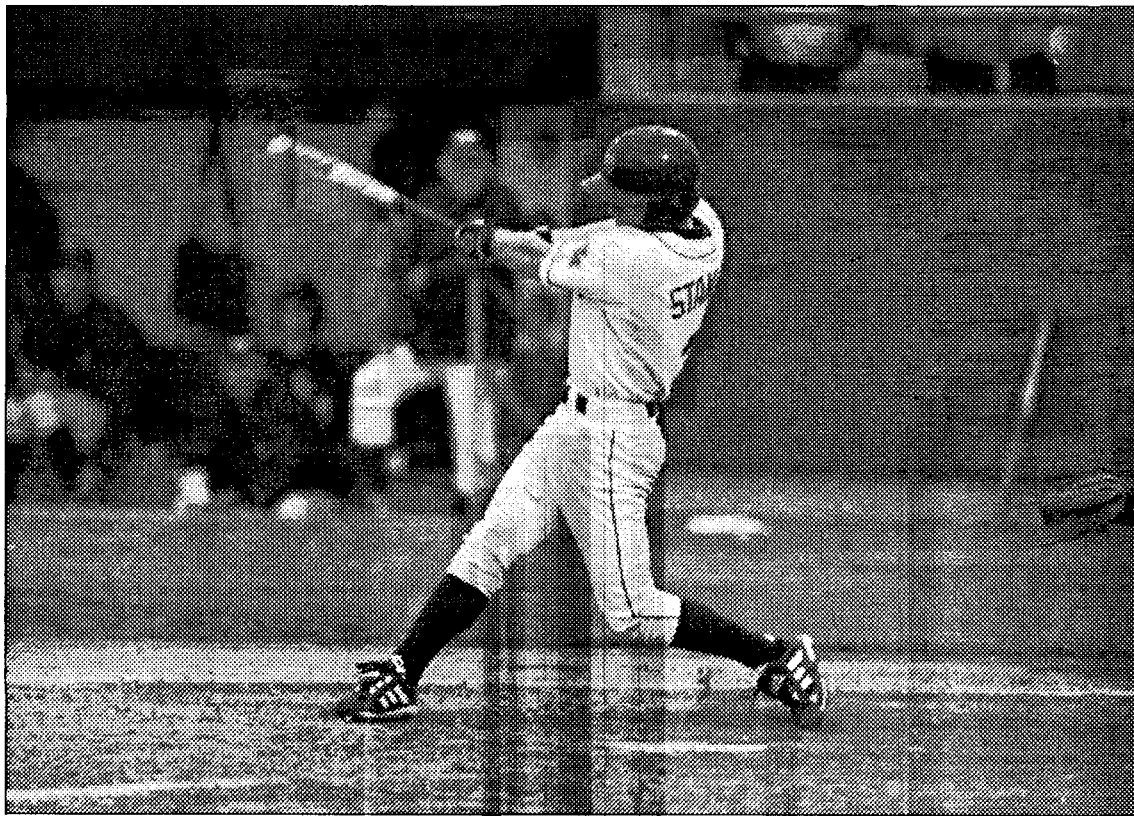
Seton Hall, last season's Big East Tournament winner, should provide a more than capable foe for surging Notre Dame.

"They are a very tough team, and they always play us tough," Stanley said. "We have to go out and play solid because they match up so well with us."

The Pirates — 19-17 on the year — have split four Big

"I really think it's going to come down this week to who wants it more. They are a really tough team, and they always play us tough."

Steve Stanley
Irish center fielder



BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Irish center fielder Steve Stanley takes a swing in Notre Dame's doubleheader against Virginia Tech on April 12. The Irish hope to improve in the Big East against Seton Hall this weekend.

East doubleheaders this season, and have won their three-game series matchups against Georgetown and Boston College.

Seton Hall is led at the plate by senior infielder Todd Crawford, batting .367 on the year with eight home runs. The Pirates are batting .278 as a team, compared to their

opponents' .274.

The Irish dominated the Pirates in their three-game series last season, winning the games by a combined 23 runs.

"I really think it's going to come down this week to who wants it more," Stanley said.

The teams will play a doubleheader at noon Saturday, followed by a noon start-time

for the third game on Sunday.

Notes:

♦ Freshman pitcher Chris Niesel is out of the lineup indefinitely due to mononucleosis. He last pitched April 7.

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Irish men and women head to Indy, Mt. SAC Invites

♦ Men hope to repeat first place performances in sprinting events

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Senior Staff Writer

Last weekend, at the Tom Botts Invitational in Columbia, Miss. the Irish men's sprint group had a coming out party, claiming first place in the 100 meters, 200 meters, 400 meters and both the 4x100 and 4x400 relay to boot.

This weekend it's time for the sprinters to prove last weekend wasn't a fluke.

The Irish split up this weekend, sending a small group of runners to California to compete in the Pomona Invitational and the Mount Sac Invitational, while the rest of the team travels to Indianapolis for Butler University's Indy Invitational.

With the exception of freshman hurdler Selim Nurudeen, who will compete in the 110-meter hurdles and 400-meter hurdles at Pomona on Friday and Mount Sac on Sunday, the Irish sprinters will all head down US-31 to the state capital.

At Indy, sprints coach John Millar is hoping to see another strong outing from his 4x400 relay team, a team that ran a time of 3 minutes 14.75 seconds in Missouri.

Millar especially wants to see a solid weekend out of senior William Croker, who ran a split below 48 seconds last week but has yet to crack 50 seconds in an open 400 during his career at Notre Dame.

"I'd like to see them run the same kind of times in an open

400 that they ran on the relay," Millar said of the team, which also features seniors Nick Saracco and Mike Mansour, as well as freshman Trevor McClain. "If they can do that, then we know the relay can continue to improve. Now I think they know they can run fast."

Also looking for a second consecutive week of solid performances at Indiana are junior Tom Gilbert in the 100, sophomore Ryan Hurd in the 200 and McClain in the 400. Sophomore Mark Barber will compete in the 110-meter and 400-meter hurdles.

While the Notre Dame sprinters look for continued improvement, a group of distance runners heads to California with even loftier goals in mind. Senior Ryan Shay will be competing in the 5,000 meters at Mount Sac, a race that features multiple Olympic-caliber runners in the field.

"I'm aiming for under 13:40, so as close as I get to a 13:40, I'll be happy," said Shay, who set a Notre Dame record in the event at the NCAA Championships last spring, but saw that record fall when teammate Luke Watson ran a 13:44.92 at Stanford earlier this year. "It's a great field. They've got some international superstars."

Watson, who already has automatically qualified for the NCAA Championships in the 5,000, will look to qualify in a second event — the 3,000-meter steeplechase, a race he provisionally qualified for with an 8:50.68 mark at Missouri.

"It'll be a great field," Shay said. "It'll give Luke an opportunity to run in more of a packed situation, more of a crowded

race."

Also looking for a guaranteed trip to the May 29 NCAA Championships in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is sophomore Todd Mobley in the 10,000 meters. Mobley provisionally qualified with a 29:11.35 mark at Stanford in late March. Senior Pat Conway and sophomore Kevin Somok will also make the trip to California, with both competing in the 1,500 meters.

In the field events, seniors Quill Redwine and Derek Dyer will make the trip to California, with Redwine — who jumped a season-best 6-foot-8 at Missouri — competing in the high jump and Dyer throwing the shot put and discus.

In the javelin, junior Mike Madigan is taking the week off, both to take the MCAT exam and to allow a sore elbow to heal.

The rest of the Irish field events jump group will head to Indianapolis. Field events coach Scott Winsor expects big things out of young athletes in a variety of events.

Sophomore thrower Juan Alba finished fifth in both the discus and hammer throw last weekend.

"Every time he throws the hammer he's looking better and better," Winsor said of Alba, who threw a 161-6 mark at Missouri.

In the high jump, freshmen Chris Staron and Ryan Mineburg are looking to improve on a last weekend's marks of 6-6 and 6-4, respectively. Senior pole vaulter Josh Heck looks to improve on a season-best mark of 15-6.

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♦ Irish women take on best of the best at Mt. SAC

By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

For the second time this season, the Notre Dame women's track and field team will be sending two squads to different locations this weekend.

While most of the runners will stay close to home, traveling to Indianapolis, Ind. for the Indy Invitational, the Irish will be sending its strong nucleus of runners to the Mt. SAC Relays in Walnut, Calif.

The Mt. SAC Relays has traditionally been one of the premier meets in the world during the outdoor track season. The stadium features a state-of-the-art track and field facility where the top athletes from 45 collegiate teams and 10 international will be competing this year.

Tameisha King has had much success at the Mt. SAC Relays the past two years. As a freshman, King took second in the long jump with a jump of 19 feet, 9 inches. Last year, as a sophomore,

she placed fourth in her section of the 100-meter hurdles. King currently has a long jump best of 20 feet, 8 inches, which is ranked fifth in the nation.

"Tameisha is just trying to improve on her NCAA mark [of 20-8] at Mt. SAC," field events coach Scott Winsor said. "She's a talented girl. I'm not quite so sure she knows how talented she is."

King is also part of the 4x100 relay that will be racing at Mt. SAC this weekend. The relay team — consisting of King, Liz Grow, Ayesha Boyd and Kristin Dodd — is also nationally ranked, and are currently sitting at 11th in the nation with a time of 44.70 seconds.

The big race for the Irish this weekend will be the mile relay team of Grow, Boyd, Dodd and Kymia Love. The team was the first ever Notre Dame relay squad to make it to nationals when they qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships. Although their best indoor time (3:36.84) is currently ranked eighth in the world, they are still looking to qualify for the national outdoor championships.

"Our goal is to run good relays," sprinting coach John

Millar said. "I'd like to get the mile relay qualified. We're going to change the order, and lead Ayesha [Boyd] instead of Kymia [Love]; Ayesha has a lot of confidence with her right now."

Notre Dame will be sending two distance runners to the Mt. SAC Relays in King and Jen Handley. King will be running in the 1,500-meter run while Handley will compete in the 5,000 meters. Both women are also nationally ranked in their respective events, with King ranked eighth and Handley ranked ninth.

Rounding out the California squad will be Jamie Volkmer in the pole vault. Volkmer is looking to improve on her season-best vault of 12 feet set at the Notre Dame Spring Opener.

While those few girls will be competing in California, most of the women's team will be at the Indy Invitational, where they are looking to continue the momentum they generated last week when they took second place at the Missouri Invitational.

Tiffany Gunn and Jill Van Weelden will be leading the way for the Irish this week-

end. Both girls are coming off victories in the 400-meter hurdles and the pole vault, respectively, at the Missouri Invitational.

Three freshmen will be leading the sprinting events this weekend in Gunn, Latasha Steele and Tricia Floyd. While Gunn will be competing in the 100- and 400-meter hurdle events, Steele and Floyd will run in the 100- and 200-meter dashes.

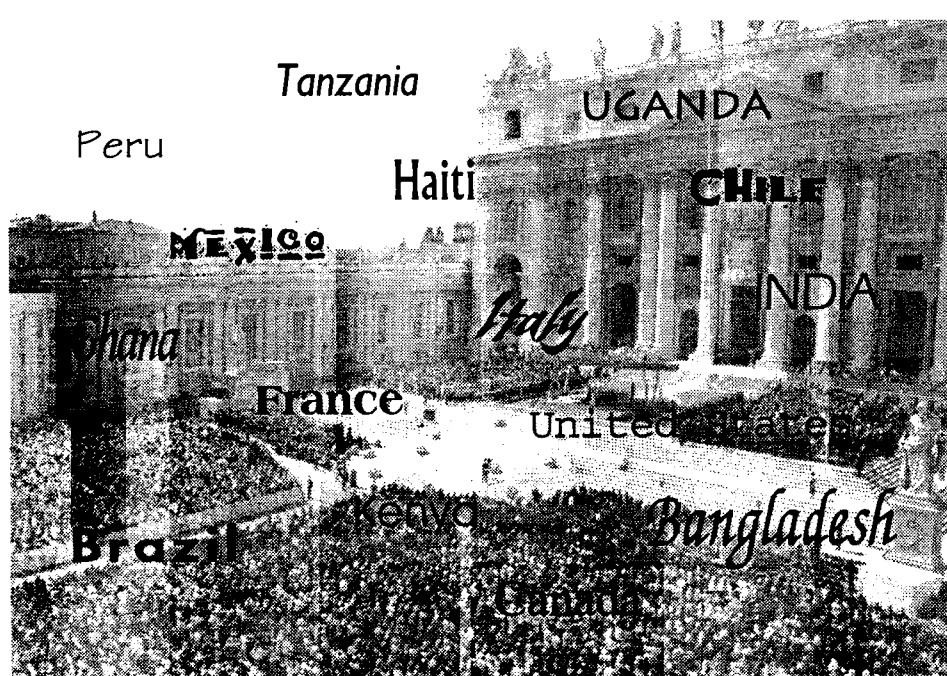
Megan Johnson, Jen Fibuch, and Kerry Meagher look to finish high in their races this weekend. The three distance runners will be counted on to score at the Big East Outdoor Championships, which is just two weeks away. Meagher will run the 800 meters, Johnson, the 1,500, and Fibuch, the 5,000.

Overall, the Irish are looking for more Big East qualifying times, as well as national qualifying times as they enter the heart of the outdoor season.

"We're just trying to get more people qualified," Millar said. "That's what we're hoping for this weekend."

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MEN'S LACROSSE

Season draws to a close, Irish face must-win

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

It is do or die time for the Notre Dame men's lacrosse team when they play host to Fairfield this Sunday at Moose Krause Stadium.

With a 4-6 overall record, the only chance for the Irish to qualify for the NCAA Tournament is to finish atop the Great Western Lacrosse League. Currently, the Irish are in first in the GWLL with an undefeated record of 3-0, but there is still much work to be done.

Notre Dame must defeat their remaining two GWLL opponents (Fairfield this Sunday and Ohio State two weeks later on May 4) to win the division. Luckily for the Irish, both of these contests will be at home. Although both the Stags and the Buckeyes each have one loss in division play and sit one game behind the Irish in the standings, Notre Dame cannot afford to lose either game.

"We've got to win these last two [division] games. There's no question about it," said Irish head coach Kevin Corrigan. "The number one criteria for a tie [in overall records] is head-to-head competition. Even though we haven't lost a division game yet, Fairfield will win the division if they beat us on Sunday. Their loss was against Air Force, who is not one of the three teams that still has a shot to tie for the division. The same thing applies for us when we play Ohio State. We have to be undefeated to win the league."

After last week's disappointing 11-8 loss to Army, in which Notre Dame surrendered two-goal leads twice in the game, the Irish know they must recapture their intensity for this weekend. Prior to the loss at Army, the Irish were in the midst of a three-game winning streak.

Corrigan attributed last week's loss to a lack of energy and preparation during the week of practice preceding the game. So far this week, the Irish have worked much harder in practice to correct their mental

breakdowns from the week before.

"Practice has definitely been a lot more intense this week," said sophomore attacker Steve Claggett. "The coaches have really worked us hard. Against Army, we didn't do all the little things well it takes to win the game, because we just did not practice hard the week before. When we practice well, we play well."

Corrigan believes the key to this week's game is the play of his defense. The strong Irish defense did not play to its usual standards against Army giving up 11 goals to the Cadets.

"It's tough to win games when you give up 11 goals," said Corrigan. "It is not one individual player's responsibility. We all need to play better team defense. Our primary objective is to hold the score down to give our offense a chance to win. At the same token, our offense needs to start making plays."

One player who has been making plays all season is attacker Dan Berger. The sophomore tied a career-high with four goals against the Cadets. Berger has scored in every game this season on his way to a team-high 25 goals. Senior captains John Flandina and Devin Ryan have also been impressive this season. Flandina leads the team in assists, while Ryan is second on the team in goals. All three of these players will have to play tremendous games Sunday if the Irish hope to keep their post-season dreams alive.

This game may depend on which Fairfield team shows up. The Stags enter the contest with a winning record at 6-4, but



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Junior midfielder Travis Wells reaches back for a shot in competition earlier this year. The Irish hope to remain undefeated in their conference with a victory over Fairfield Sunday.

they have been inconsistent all season. They have had some huge victories against Ohio State and Holy Cross, but have had some bad losses, most notably an 8-5 defeat at the hands of Air Force.

Sunday's game marks the first time the Irish have played a home game in a month. After finishing a four-game road trip with an impressive 3-1 record, the Irish are looking forward to playing in front of a home

crowd for the most important game of the season. Despite the high stakes involved in the game, Corrigan believes his Irish are ready to the rise to the occasion this weekend.

"We're concentrating very hard this week in practice on improving from our mistakes in the last game," said Corrigan. "We can't worry about anybody else but ourselves. We don't need any extra motivation this week. Everyone knows the con-

sequences of this game."

Sunday's game begins at 1 p.m.

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SMC SOFTBALL

Belles look to win 2 more

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

The Belles brought two wins home late Wednesday night, and are hoping for two more this Saturday, in their first home game since MIAA play began.

Saint Mary's defeated Olivet's Lady Comets 1-0, 3-1 in Wednesday's doubleheader at Olivet.

"In the first game, Libby [Wilhelmy] pitched a one-hitter," sophomore second baseman Rebekah Solmos said. "It made it easier for the rest of us."

Belles catcher Susan Kutz hit a single, and Solmos sent her home with a triple for Saint Mary's game-winning run. Solmos, Marnie Walsh and Katie Frigge each finished with two hits in the low-scoring game.

"We got the hits that we needed," Solmos said. "We hit really well as a team."

Kutz' run broke the scoreless tie in the second inning, and neither team scored in the final five innings.

In the second game, senior captain Kristin Martin pitched the Belles to victory to sweep the Lady Comets. Martin finished with five strikeouts and two hits of her own. Jill Clark, Erin Sullivan and Kathleen Wirpsa each scored for the Belles.

"Erin Sullivan put us ahead in the second game, but everyone contributed to the win," Solmos said.

Since the start of conference play, the Belles have focused on their batting, and according to Solmos, they will continue to do so in light of the key role their hitting played in Wednesday's victory.

"We're going to be hitting a lot in practice [Thursday]," Solmos said. "It is something we will continue to work on."

The Belles, now seventh in the MIAA after displacing Olivet, with a conference record of 2-6, and an overall record of 7-10, look to move another step up in the standings when they face Kalamazoo Saturday.

"We've been playing really well," Solmos said. "We took

control hitting-wise."

Kalamazoo will be looking for redemption after a dual defeat at the hands of Hillsdale Tuesday, 5-0, 9-1.

In their last conference game, they lost to Hope. Earlier in the season, Kalamazoo defeated Olivet, 4-2, and junior pitcher Emery Engers closed the game, allowing no hits and striking out three batters. Engers, junior Sarah Martyn and sophomore Elli Toskey have swapped pitching duties for Kalamazoo this season under head coach Tracey Ciucci.

Kalamazoo brings a 2-4 conference and 6-12 overall record to Saint Mary's Saturday. The teams face off for the first game at 1 p.m.

"We did really well in the last game against Alma," Solmos said. "The momentum should carry us through. I definitely think being at home will be an advantage."

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Pair of top ten rivals square off Saturday

By CHRIS COLEMAN
Sports Writer

Thus far, the women's lacrosse teams of Notre Dame and Georgetown have been perfect in Big East play. They will both put their 4-0 conference records on the line when they meet this Saturday.

The second-ranked Hoyas present a huge challenge for the ninth-ranked Irish, but having already faced Duke, Yale and Syracuse, the Irish feel ready to take on the Hoyas.

"Just being able to be right there with [Duke], they were ranked as high as two on the year. ... We'll be fine for Georgetown," captain Tina Fedarcy said.

The Irish beat Syracuse for the first time in school history and came within one post shot from beating Duke last Friday. They came back from the Duke loss by beating No. 8 Yale by a three-goal margin.

The 9-3 Irish are having the best season in their six-year history. While seven seniors lead the team, the Irish have been offensively effective because of a multitude of weapons and the fact that anyone on the team can score when called upon.

"Our composure right now is unbelievable," said senior Natalie Loftus. "We are all so confident in ourselves and in each other out there. It doesn't matter who is handling the ball out there, whoever it is they'll get the job done. We are ready."

Georgetown is coming off its best season ever, making it into the national championship game last year and losing in triple overtime to Maryland. The Hoyas lost six starters and three All Americans from that team but retained Erin Elbe, who has been an All American the last three years.

Elbe was the preseason Big East offensive player of the year, and is the current offen-

sive player of the week for her 10-point effort against Boston College.

However, Elbe is facing the top-ranked defense in the nation, led by two of the three Irish captains in Kathryn Lam and Tina Fedarcy. The defense, along with goalkeeper Jen White, has been consistent for Notre Dame all year, and it is ready for the challenge of second-ranked Georgetown.

"It's a big game, we're ready, we want the Big East, we want everything," White said. "We have to go out with a lot of heart like we did today [against Yale]. ... It's going to be a hard-fought game."

"Our composure right now is unbelievable. We are all so confident in ourselves and in each other out there."

Natalie Loftus
Irish senior

On the surface, Georgetown's 11-1 record could be intimidating to Notre Dame, but some of the margins of victory show that the win-loss columns might not tell the whole story.

Georgetown only beat Virginia Tech, whom the Notre Dame beat by 11, by two goals and took Duke into overtime, just like the Irish.

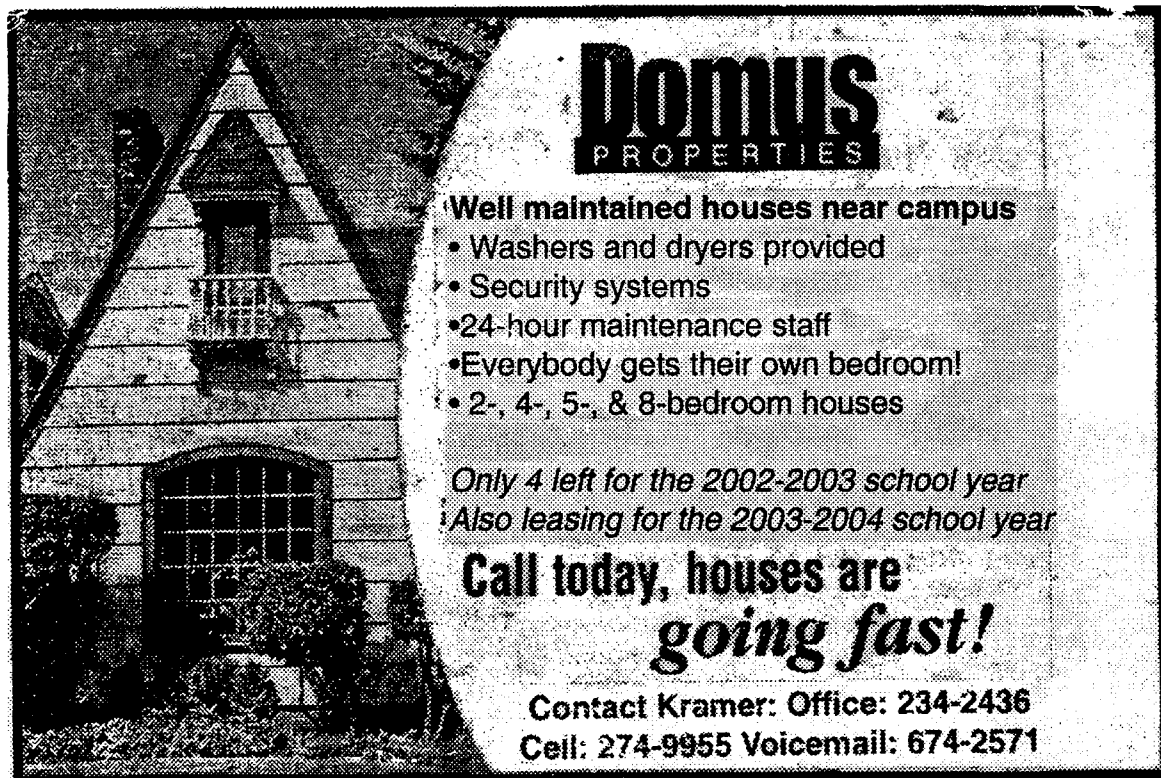
But the Irish want to focus more on their own play than on Georgetown's.

"When we're all laid back and having a good time, we play well," Shearer said. "But when everybody gets too nervous, too overwhelmed with rankings and with [the fact] they have one of the best players in the nation on their team, people start getting nervous and not playing as well. We need to go into the game like it's a big game, but having confidence is the big issue. ... We can play with them."

The winner of the game will become the Big East champion, as each team only has one conference game left.

"We want to win the Big East; that brings all the focus to Georgetown on Saturday," coach Tracy Coyne said.

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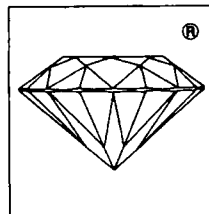
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ND SOFTBALL

Falcons soar high, fall short of Irish upset

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

Bowling Green came to Ivy Field Thursday with nothing to lose against Notre Dame.

The Falcons brought an energetic and loose squad to play the Irish knowing they were the underdog. The Irish gave the Falcons a chance to win the game, but when it mattered, the Irish offense came through.

After losing an early 4-0 lead, Megan Ciolli's bases-clearing triple completed a four-run sixth inning rally for Notre Dame (25-13) and gave them an 8-5 victory over Bowling Green.

"I think they came here with nothing to lose and they went after us," said head coach Deanna Gumpf. "We thought we had a nice lead and we sat on it. You can't sit on it with a team like that. They do that to teams all the time."

With nothing to lose, the Falcons used a relaxed approach in hoping to upset the Irish.

"This would have been like the World Series win for them, so we just had to show them who Notre Dame was," said Ciolli, whose triple was her team-leading third of the season.

The Irish took an early 1-0 lead in the first, on shortstop Andria Bledsoe's RBI ground-out. In the third, Notre Dame rallied for three runs with two outs against Bowling Green starting pitcher Andrea Genter (2-2).

Andrea Loman singled and scored from first on Jarrah Myers' single to right. Bledsoe singled Myers home from second making the score 3-0. After Lisa Mattison walked and Bledsoe stole third, Liz Hartmann brought Bledsoe home with a single to right.

After taking an early lead, Notre Dame let Bowling Green back into the game and gave the Falcons a chance to win.

"They coasted. We had to come back and we made it difficult on ourselves," Gumpf said. "We played well at the beginning. We played well at the end. But we didn't in the middle and that's what happens when you coast."

With a 4-2 lead in the top of the sixth, Bowling Green knocked Notre Dame starter Steffany Stenglein out of the game. Crystal Wilson singled to

second and Holly Frantz doubled to center, scoring Wilson. Gumpf replaced Stenglein with Carrie Wisen as the Falcons cut the

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Megan Ciolli
Irish outfielder

Irish lead to 4-3.

Jenifer Kernahan sent the 1-2 pitch from Wisen over the center field fence putting Bowling Green ahead 5-4 going into the bottom of the sixth.

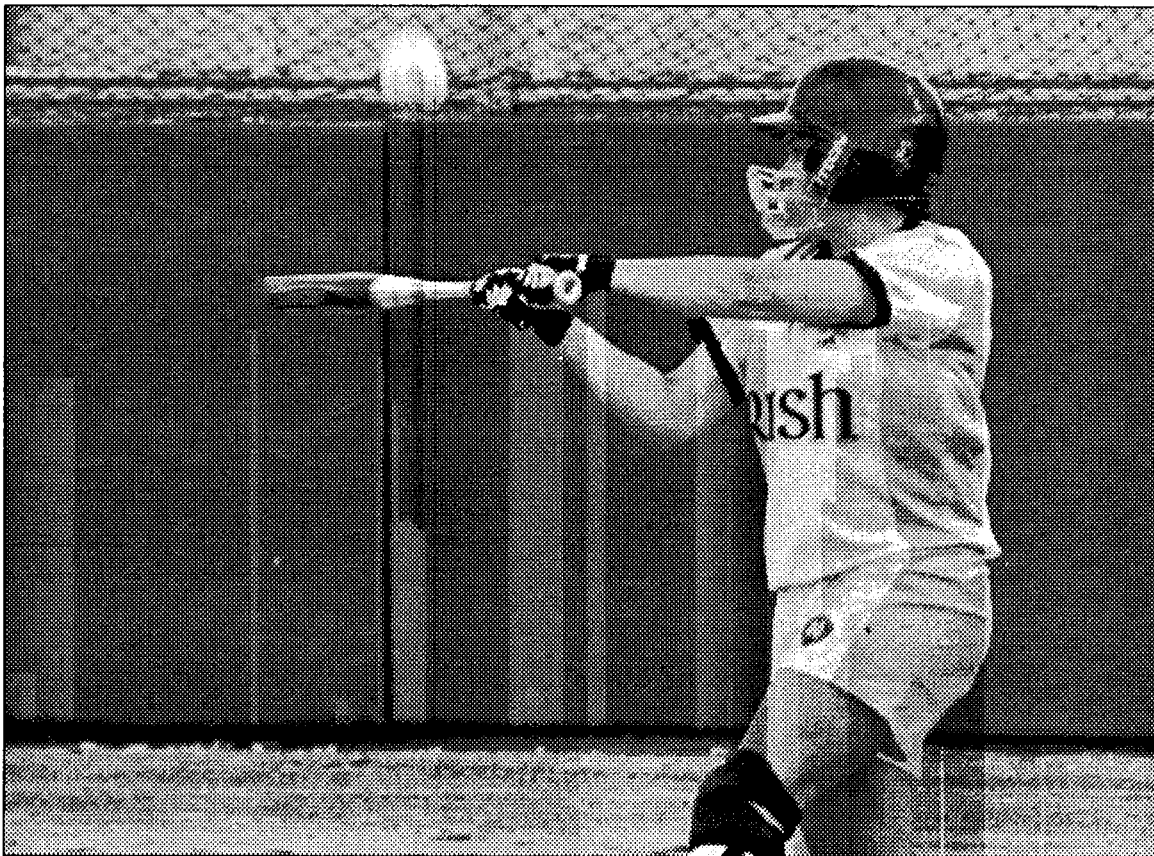
Mattison led off with a single and Kas Hoag pinch ran for the first baseman. Hartmann laid down a sacrifice bunt but the Falcons tried to get Hoag at second. Hoag beat the throw and put two Irish runners on base with nobody out.

Nicole deFau's sacrifice bunt moved the runners into scoring position. Pinch hitter Annie Dell'Aria worked to earn a walk to load the bases for Jenny Kriech.

Kriech singled to right, tying the game at five. Ciolli knew what she had to do to put the Irish ahead.

"When Jenny got a hit, that fired me up," Ciolli said. "It was just a point of picking out a good pitch. My pitch selection wasn't too hot all day, but she threw a ball at my hands, which is my favorite pitch, so I hit it back at her."

Ciolli sent a 1-0 pitch to the



DUFFY MARIE ARNOULT/The Observer

An Irish player takes a swing at a pitch in a game Wednesday against Indiana State. The Irish held off Bowling Green Thursday 8-5.

center field fence for a three-run triple and put the Irish in front 8-5.

"She stepped up when we needed her," Gumpf said. "That was huge on Megan's part. It was perfect."

Wisen (11-4) pitched the seventh and earned her third victory in as many games.

Returning to Big East action this weekend, Notre Dame plays Virginia Tech in a Saturday doubleheader. The Hokies are 29-13 overall and

5-5 in the conference.

"[Virginia Tech is] a great athletic team and they can hit. They are one of the best hitting teams in the Big East," Gumpf said. "They have solid pitching. They are a solid team. They are just good. We have to come out and play great ball."

On Wednesday against Tennessee, Virginia Tech pitcher Ashlee Dobbe threw her fourth no-hitter of the year and eighth of her career. Dobbe is 20-9 with a 1.93 ERA

on the season.

Shortstop Carmen Farmer leads the Hokies with 47 hits and a .359 batting average. Catcher Amy Voorhees is first on team with five home runs and 28 RBI.

Notre Dame plays Virginia Tech at Ivy Field Saturday. The first game is scheduled to start at 11:00 a.m.

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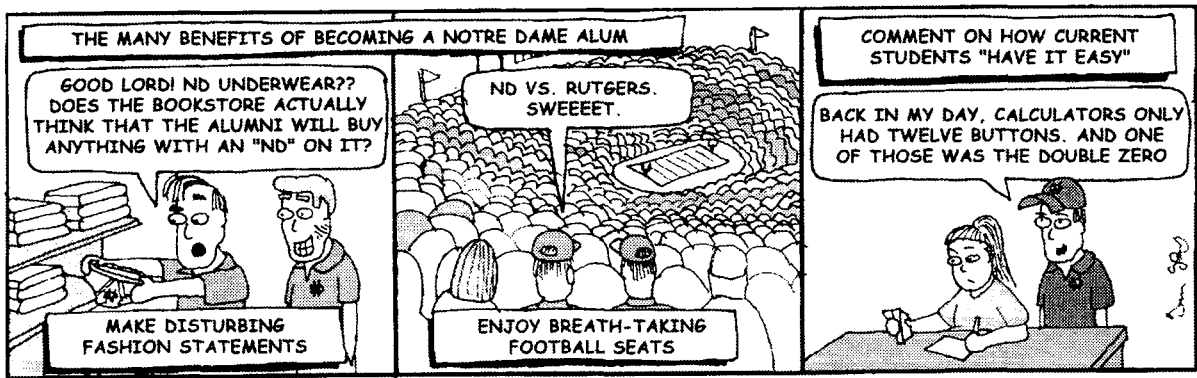
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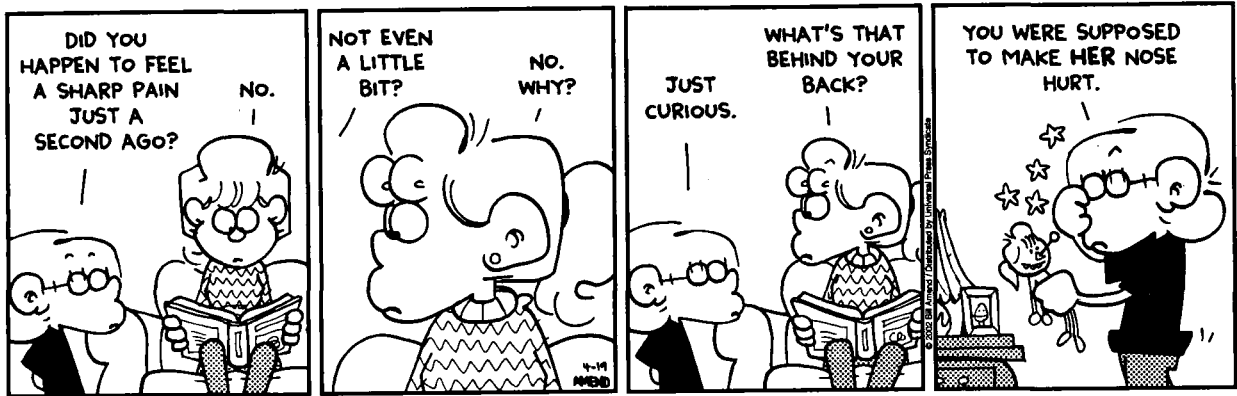
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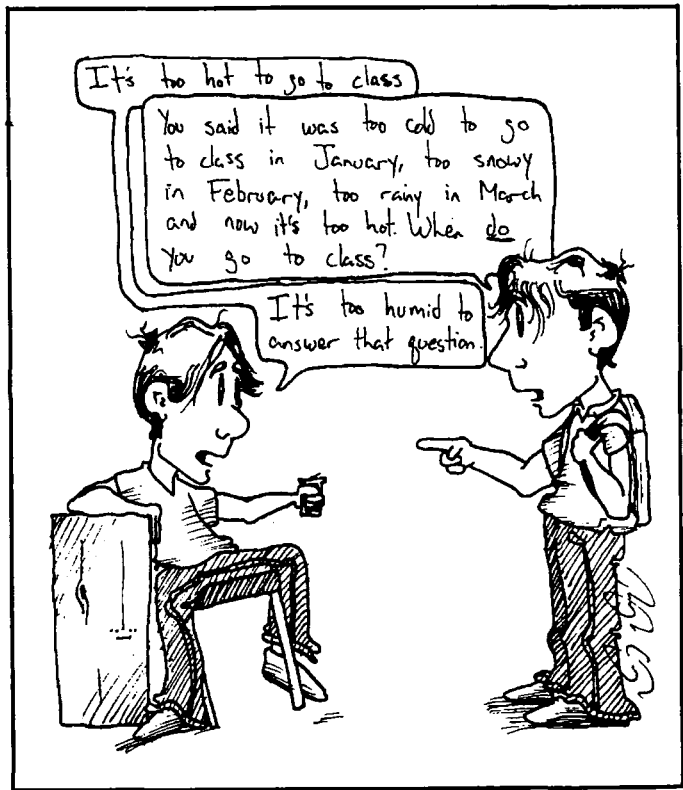
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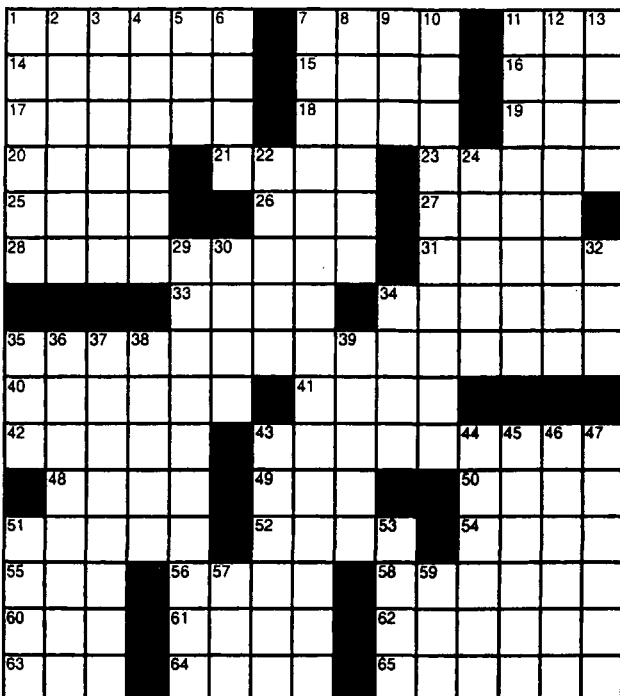


CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Dance with sharp turns
 - 7 Kind of year: Abbr.
 - 11 ___ Friday
 - 14 Kind of recording
 - 15 Month before Nisan
 - 16 Lawyer on TV's "Civil Wars"
 - 17 Handle differently?
 - 18 Get on, in more ways than one
 - 19 One of the Bobbsey twins
 - 20 Like some sums
 - 21 Ticklish one?
 - 23 At ___ (with consequences)
 - 25 Playwright Ayckbourn
- DOWN**
- 26 Sewer line?
 - 27 Viking's destination
 - 28 Rigel and Spica
 - 31 Worked regularly at
 - 33 "Now, where ___?"
 - 34 All-in-one software packages
 - 35 Western herd member
 - 40 Least likely to crack
 - 41 Bailiwick
 - 42 Con men?
 - 43 Fitting container for this puzzle?
 - 48 Nick
 - 49 Female salmon
 - 50 It may be coed
 - 51 Island in the Taiwan Strait

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Puzzle by David J. Kahn

- ACROSS**
- 30 Good host's gift
 - 32 Award since 1886: Abbr.
 - 34 "No problem"
 - 35 Comparison connector
 - 36 Language of 800+ million
 - 37 Qualified
 - 38 Control, symbolically
 - 39 It's good to an 11-Down
 - 43 Cheat
- DOWN**
- 44 Mingo portrayer on 60's TV
 - 45 Shipworms, e.g.
 - 46 Part of a stern warning
 - 47 Short holidays?
 - 51 Lounging footwear
 - 53 Cheat
 - 57 Canton-born designer
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FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2002

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Paloma Picasso, Dudley Moore, Ashley Judd

Happy Birthday: You will have insight into matters pertaining to work this year. You mustn't let personal problems interfere with your job. Sudden changes will take place with regard to your likes and dislikes. You can do well investing in art objects or in items that have the potential to grow in value. Your numbers are 10, 14, 26, 34, 37, 42

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may not assess a situation properly. Do not jump too quickly when it comes to personal investments. Joint ventures will fall short of your expectations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You should be thinking about taking a mini vacation. Your friends will be ready to take off at short notice. The more spontaneous you are the better.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You should be intent on making changes to your career. If you focus on what you enjoy doing you will end up in a job that is satisfying. It's never too late to take courses that will give you new skills.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Do not overindulge today. Self-improvement projects will help you stay on track. You can accomplish a great deal if you work on creative hobbies.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Disagreements with authority figures will set you off. Try hard not to instigate unnecessary friction or you may find yourself in a bit of a dilemma. Work at home and you will get the most done.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don't let anyone take advantage of you. If someone has a sob story lis-

ten but don't give handouts. You can do far more for others by giving sound advice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): There will be lots of action at your house. Open your doors to people that you find interesting. You will learn if you listen to the experiences that others have encountered.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The more you do with others the more you will discover about yourself. You will be in the mood for romance so be sure to make plans that will satisfy your needs. The more challenging an event you attend the more you will like it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will have the opportunity to come into some money today. Make some changes to your portfolio and you will make gains. Make your conversation interesting and you'll have a captive audience.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may not understand why you feel the way you do today. Don't fight it; let your feelings be known. You may have to make difficult changes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Focus on yourself, your health and your emotional well-being today. Get with the program and figure out what will work best for you. Change is needed so inake your choices and go after your goals.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Travel will be quite informative. Greater opportunities for partnerships will evolve if you engage in social activities or educational pursuits. Attend a convention and opportunities will develop.

Birthday Baby: You will be very serious about your future. You will put your work above everything else in life. You will be responsible and will always look out for the ones you love. You will have strong feelings when it comes to your beliefs and attitudes.

(Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

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- *Pregame HARDEST SHOT COMPETITION

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RUGBY

Some good old boys

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

When Tom McGinty arrived on campus three years ago from San Jose, Calif., he was hoping to continue playing the sport he fell in love with in high school. Unfortunately, rugby was nowhere to be found at Notre Dame.

While others would have quit or given up, McGinty refused to abandon his dreams of playing rugby at Notre Dame. Along with sophomore Dave Bishop and junior John Friskal, McGinty joined the South Bend Blues Rugby Club, an organization with members ranging in age from 18 to 50 years old.

"The three of us played for the South Bend Blues Rugby Club during the fall of my freshman year," said McGinty. "When you are a rugby player, you are a player for life. When you put on a rugby jersey, you are immediately accepted by all other rugby clubs in the world. Rugby is just a great game. It definitely has its own culture."

Putting on a Blues jersey was a great opportunity for all three students to continue playing rugby, but it was not the same as having a team on Notre Dame's campus.

The original varsity rugby program at Notre Dame was disbanded on August 3, 1995 for repeatedly violating University rules. The program was put on probation twice in the '80s and then permanently eliminated after inexcusable misconduct during the '94 spring season.

"That team definitely deserved to be disbanded," said McGinty. "Rugby had a bad reputation here, but those players no longer attend this University. I just wanted to bring rugby back to Notre Dame and share this great sport with everyone else."

During the spring of 2000, the trio worked extremely hard to create a rugby team at Notre Dame.

"I talked to RecSports about maybe starting a

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BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

A member of the South Bend Old Boys, green, makes a tackle in a rugby match earlier this year. The club has 30 members and a 6-3 record this season.

MEN'S GOLF

Irish host Big East Tourney

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

On any given weekend the men's golf team can be an NCAA tournament-caliber squad.

That's the philosophy with which head coach John Jasinski is approaching this weekend's Big East Championships to be contested at the Warren Golf Course, even though his team's season has been marked more by mediocrity than sterling play.

Though clearly not the favorites to win the tournament and claim the conference's automatic NCAA bid, a small field and a distinct home course advantage has Jasinski thinking that anything can happen.

"On a course like ours, one that we know so well, it's easy for a good player who's not on top of his game to put up a big number," Jasinski said. "With a small field, a few guys from a few teams can falter, and there's not a whole lot of teams to beat."

In the small, six-team field, defending champion and top seed Virginia Tech, along with second-seeded St. John's are the favorites.

The Hokies of Virginia Tech boast an impressive core of talent led by Brendon de Jonge, a native of Zimbabwe, who is ranked eighth in the nation and a semifinalist for the Ben Hogan Award, given annually the country's top collegiate player.

While Notre Dame has yet to play competitively against Virginia Tech, Jasinski is well aware of its prowess.

"At their best, they're head and shoulders above the field," Jasinski said. "We haven't seen them, but their numbers speak for themselves."

If Virginia Tech is the favorite, St. John's runs a close second. Led by Andrew Svoboda, who claimed a share of the individual title last spring, the Red Storm will be attempting to hail its tenth conference title.

"[St. John's] handled us easily twice," Jasinski said. "They're obviously a good team."

Notre Dame's upset bid will be led by senior Steve Ratay, who is quietly putting together what may be the best season ever by an Irish golfer. If the

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FOOTBALL

Clark to make switch to tight end

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

For the first time in a long time, Jared Clark had a giant grin on his face after practice Thursday.

That's because the newest tight end on the Irish roster wasn't wearing the red jersey typically reserved for quarterbacks for the first time since arriving at Notre Dame.

After spending two seasons behind Carlyle Holiday and Matt LoVecchio on the depth chart, Clark decided he had enough. He approached coaches after Tuesday's practice and asked if he could switch posi-

tions. They readily agreed.

"I looked at the situation and evaluated my play, and after evaluating the other two, it was easy to see those two were doing better than me," Clark said. "I didn't want to spend another year on the bench and I want to do whatever I can to help the team out."

The switch is a dramatic one for Clark, who has never played tight end before. As long as he's played football, he's played quarterback. He played some defensive end during his high school career, but it was his strong arm that attracted college recruiters.

But even though the only position Clark knew in college

was quarterback, he wanted to get playing time even more. Clark, who sat out his entire freshman season, only played four snaps at quarterback during the 2002 season. He even approached the coaching staff last year about the possibility of working with the special teams units just so he could earn playing time.

"I just want to play football, and quarterback was something I could play in high school," he said. "But to be honest, I have more fun at tight end."

Leaving the red jersey behind meant Clark had to adjust to full-contact drills in practice. And instead of throw-

ing passes during the first 20 minutes of practice, Clark had to get used to catching them.

But it doesn't matter what he has to change — Clark's eagerly looking forward to the switch.

"It was fun [to hit people in practice]," he said. "That's one of the reasons I wanted to move positions — because I hadn't hit somebody in so long."

"I think you can see the progress almost instantly," Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham said. "He jumped in here and did some very good things today because he is very

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AT A GLANCE

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