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enroll at Notre Dame, some believe the University engages in ...

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Editor's Note: In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. celebrations on campus, The Observer explores diversity issues in a four part series. Part Four examins the techniques used to attract prospectives on Spring Visitation Weekend.

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By CHRISTINE KRALY News Writer

Some people might consider the Spring Visitation Weekend — an

event held annually to allow talent high minority students to visit campus - to be a success primarily because 60 percent of the weekend's attendees enroll at the University

and therefore increase its diversity.

But some students and administrators believe that the Spring Visitation Weekend, with its emphasis on multicultural students and activities paints a false picture of Notre Dame.

"I have some problems with it," said Kevin Huie, assistant direc-

tor of Multicultural Student Programs and Services (MSPS). "[Because some students have told me] 'ah, they fooled me with that weekend."

And although it's not the inten-

tion of the weekend, he said, some participating students are negatively affected when they return in the fall.

"It gives them a false sense that stuff like that happens all the time,

Outlaw, director of MSPS, said. "But the hosts try to be very frank with them.'

"Hosts are expected to definitely give the students an accurate expectation of what college life is like at Notre Dame and not to be hesitant to share," Outlaw contin-

"You have to give them



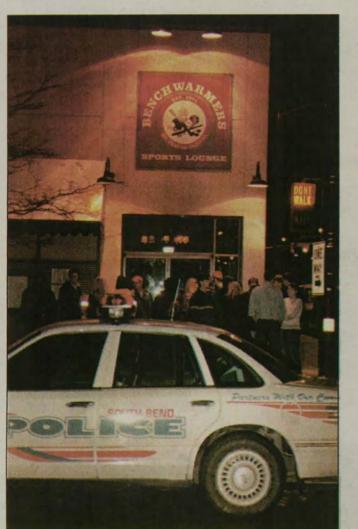
First Class Steppers perform at last year's Latin Expressions show which occurs annually during the prospective minority students' Spring Visitation weekend.

[prospective students] a real picture," Huie added. "Everyone involved is encouraged to say 'Hey, this is how it is.'

Huie tries to make students understand that Notre Dame isn't for everyone. When he meets students that weekend he tells them, "This may not be for you. What are you looking for?'

Despite the warning, a majority of the visiting students enroll

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JOSE CUELLAR/The Observer

Students gather outside Benchwarmer's at 1 a.m. Thursday morning following a police raid of the popular South Bend tavern.

Police anticipate more bar busts

By MIKE CONNOLLY

Benchwarmer's and Finnigan's may not be the only bars raided this school year. In a release about the raid at Benchwarmer's Wednesday night South Bend Police said they will continue to look for underage patrons in tav-

"The South Bend Police Department has been monitoring the underage patrons throughout the city in different bars and taverns in the past and will continue to do so in the future," Captain John Williams said in a prepared statement.

Kim Fenzel, a junior science major, thinks Notre Dame is somehow more involved with the police this year in arresting underaged patrons at local bars.

"I just think Notre Dame is taking more action this year, especially since last year it seemed like nobody got busted. This year even parties are getting busted and people are getting carded at parties," said Fenzel who was at Benchwarmer's Wednesday night but is 21. "I just think [Notre Dame and the South Bend Police think the problem is getting out of hand. But I don't know why this year is any different from last

Bill Kirk, assistant vice president of Residence Life, said the University is not pushing the South Bend Police to bust more bars this year.

"I don't know why people would think that," Kirk said. "South Bend Police and the City have the same interests that we do. We regularly speak with South Bend Police and the City but we don't discuss any specific things related to drinking.'

Kirk also denied having prior knowledge of the Finnigan's or Benchwarmer's busts.

"I learned about it in [The Observer] today," Kirk said. "I am not trying to evade anything. I didn't know anything in advance."

South Bend Police did not return phone calls requesting comment on the apparent increased number of citations this school year.

Although cited students outside Benchwarmer's Wednesday night said more than 50 students were cited, the Police reported only 18 underaged citations. All 18 underaged patrons were Notre Dame

According to a police press release, officers "have responded to Benchwarmer's for numerous complaints about disturbances inside and outside the establishment" in recent weeks.

At 10:45 p.m. officers entered Benchwarmer's to observe underage patrons, police said. When they noticed numerous patrons who appeared to be underage, they called in several other officers and began checking I.D.s according to police reports.

Police said several fake I.D.s were confiscated.

Both the St. Joseph County Prosecutors Office and the University were notified of the

Kirk could not comment on possible punishments for the students

"The process is like its always been," he said. "I don't know what will happen until we examine the case more closely."

Most of the 147 students cited at Finnigan's Irish Pub on Oct. 2 received a \$100 fine from the University in addition to a \$220 fine and 40 hours of community service from St. Joseph's County.

A manager at Benchwarmer's had no comment on possible legal consequences for the bar.

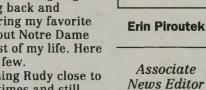
Two members of the men's basketball team and one football player were cited at Finnigan's. None of the 18 people cited at Benchwarmer's were football or men's basketball players, according to police records.

INSIDE COLUMN

A few of my favorite things

I'm too sentimental. I admit it. (I've been known to cry while watching the news.) And suddenly I'm faced with the last few months at the place that I dreamed all of my life about attending. So I have a feeling that next

year when I'm at a place where no one's heard of quarter dogs or SYRs I might be a bit lonely. And maybe it's the result of watching "The Sound of Music" one too many times when I was little, but I'm guessing that I'm going to be looking back and remembering my favorite things about Notre Dame for the rest of my life. Here are just a few.



Associate

1)Watching Rudy close to a million times and still getting chills from the

2)Going to Mass in pajamas

3)An amazing women's basketball team that's finally getting the credit they deserve

4)Being woken up to run around campus on the morning of the first football game

5)Witnessing someone throw up in the din-

6)Having my roommate call a dance date for me out of the dogbook, then deciding to take him again the next year

7)A random roommate match freshman year that results in a best friend

8) Reckers smoothies trips to cure any problem that seems too big

9) The feeling you get after walking out of your last final

10)Playing football in the snow on the quad 11)Discovering that the chairs in Nieuwland are the most comfortable place to sleep on

12)The SuperPub

13)Housekeepers who are smiling and friendly, even on Mondays as they clean up

the mountain of trash from the weekend 14) Taking social dance

15)Praying at the grotto at night

16)Learning that waking up at 8:24 gives you plenty of time to make it to DeBartolo for an 8:30 class

17) Seeing the Dome for the first time after returning from a break

18) Walking out the tunnel after beating

19) The excitement of wating for barbeque chicken and macaroni and cheese day in the dining hall

20) Witnessing Mike Brown's enthusiasm for the Fighting Irish

21)Parents who are glad to listen when you call to complain about how hard you're working and how busy you are

22)Siegfried tailgates

23) Finding out how fun women's soccer games are, sadly too late to attend another

24) Any night that ends at The 'Backer 25)Going to Galvin in the middle of the night to check on fruit flies

26)Breakfast at Fat Shirley's

27)Not leaving the stadium after our final football game until the ushers forced us out

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

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S HISTORY

24-hour lounge opens in Lafortune January 23, 1991

After three years of work, an on-campus, non-dorm 24hour place for students to retreat after parietals became a reality. The basement of LaFortune was designated as 24-hour space. With the help of Joe Cassidy, director of Student Activities, student government leaders Rob Pasin and Fred Tombar worked to gain the funding and approval for the lounge.

Hesburgh chairs Rockefeller Foundation January 25, 1977

University President Father Theodore Hesburgh was elected to chair the Board of Trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation. The foundation cited his "international reputation as an outstanding educator" and his "vigorous and consistent support of the civil rights and economic opportunity of minorities." The foundation's motto is "For the good of mankind everywhere."

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Gore to teach journalism at Columbia

Columbia University will soon be home to Professor Al Gore.

The former vice president will be taking a position as a visiting professor at the Columbia School of Journalism, where he will teach a seminar called Covering National Affairs in the Information Age with the Fred Friendly Professor of Media and Society Richard Wald and Assistant Professor and former New York Times staff writer Craig Wolff.

Gore, who worked as a reporter for the Tennessean from 1973 to 1976 before entering politics will teach his first class on Feb. 6. According to the Associated Press, he will lecture between six to eight times this semester and may return for a second



"It's a wonderful thing and a wonderful opportunity for Columbia," said Associate Dean of the Journalism School Evan Cornog on Wednesday.

Efforts to reach the Dean of the Journalism School Wednesday night were unsuccessful.

Gore will also teach classes at Middle Tennessee State and Fisk University while working on a book, according to Thursday's New York Times. Columbia did not officially announce Gore's plans Wednesday because he had planned to make the announcement himself in Tennessee

Thursday.
Neither Wolff nor Wald, who is also the Chairman of the Spectator's Board of Trustees, had been told about Gore's plans until late Wednesday. After the news was announced on ABC News and other national press sources, the Journalism school sent its students an announcement via e-mail.

Wolff said he was "just happy" to hear the news."I'm just ecstatic for the students," Wolff said.

TEXAS A&M

School pushes for Bush library

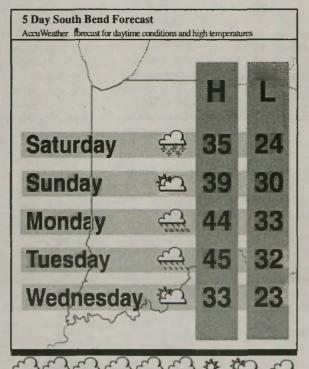
COLLEGE STATION, Texas George W. Bush's administration is only days old, but Texas A&M University is already considering his legacy as it competes to house another presidential library. At its Jan. 16 meeting, the Board of Regents adopted a resolution honoring Bush and asking him to consider A&M when selecting the location for his future presidential library. "Right now it's just a dream on our part, and we'll have to wait for a response from them," said A&M President Ray Bowen. Baylor University in Waco and Southern Methodist University (SMU) in Dallas have also expressed interest in hosting the George W. Bush Library. First lady Laura Bush received her undergraduate degree from SMU. A&M is already home to former President George Bush's library, which opened in 1997. Having both libraries in the same location would underscore the historical significance of the Bushes being only the second father-son pair to occupy the White House, Bowen said. Having the elder Bush's library has been a tremendous boon to the University, Bowen said.

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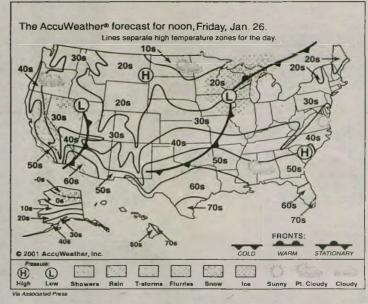
Frat boys charged in pledge death

Three Pi Kappa Phi fraternity members are facing fines and jail time after Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey officially charged them Jan. 18 in connection to the death of Chico State University first-year student Adrian Heideman. Brandon Bettar, Richard De Luna and Sam Dobbyn were all charged with the misdemeanor of furnishing alcohol to a minor and will be arraigned in court on Feb. 5. The maximum penalty for the crime is a \$1,000 fine and up to a year in jail. Heideman, 18, was found dead on Oct. 7 at the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house after a night of drinking blackberry brandy with members as part of a big brother ceremony, Ramsey said. Although Bettar was not at the event at the time that Heideman was found dead, Ramsey said he was still being charged because of his responsibility to the organization as the fraternity president and because of his insistence that the event take place. De Luna and Dobbyn, however, were at the ceremony.

LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



Atlanta	50	36	Las Vegas	48	36	Portland	48	32
Baltimore	40	28	Memphis	48	36	Sacramento	49	35
Boston	38	26	Milwaukee	30	22	St. Louis	36	25
Chicago	34	22	New York	38	32	Tampa	65	46
Houston	68	54	Philadelphia	40	28	Wilmington	40	30

WORTH THE WAIT



Notre Dame students rested in the Joyce Center hallway as they waited in line for tickets to the Keenan Revue. All three of next weekend's shows sold out as 1,365 tickets were distributed at Notre Dame and 500 at Saint Mary's. The contents of this year's Revue are still unknown because skit auditions will take place today and Saturday. However, the opening act promises to feature a slide show of memorable moments from past Revues in honor of the show's 25th anniversary.

9:00-9:30pm

FACULTY SENATE

Senate proposes du Lac policy changes

By JASON McFARLEY Assistant News Editor

In a move that may translate into unprecedented change for the University handbook, the Faculty Senate on Wednesday took aim at du Lac, Notre Dame's guide to stu-

At its regular meeting, the senate unanimously passed three resolutions concerning the handbook, and members will now direct the proposed shifts to the new Advisory Council on Academic and Student Life (ACASL).

Today members expect faculty senate chair Jean Porter to email the approved resolutions to University provost Nathan Hatch and vice president for student affairs Mark Poorman, ACASL co-

"I hope administrators will be receptive to the resolutions, but it only seems logical that they would be," said philosophy professor Ed Manier, chairman of the senate's student affairs committee.

The resolutions, approved by each of 19 senators, center around the du Lac introduction, which indicates a process by which students and clubs may propose changes to the handbook. In particular, the measures deal with the University's unofficial policy of drafting major changes to du Lac every two years.

Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for residence life, acknowledged

that the University makes annual changes to the handbook and every other year "open ourselves up to the possibility of more changes.'

The senate proposals highlight three areas of concern in du Lac:

- ◆ A discrepancy between the academic freedom granted to professors by the faculty handbook and that granted to students in du Lac
- Hearing procedures for disciplining student organizations
- Faculty participation in major revisions of du Lac

Manier said the same freedom guaranteed in the faculty handbook and the University's "Academic Articles" is not granted to students in du Lac.

"That freedom should be spelled out, especially in connection with student organizations," Manier said. "Students shouldn't have to sacrifice their academic freedom simply because they form a club."

Manier also took issue with how matters concerning student clubs are addressed.

The senate's proposed change suggests an alternative to the way student organizations' cases of alleged wrongdoing are handled. The shift would effectively allow more faculty and student representation in the hearing and judicial processes, Manier said

Another senate resolution calls for additional faculty involvement in major changes of the student handbook. While du Lac currently details a procedure for individual

students or student groups to recommend changes to the handbook, it denies faculty participation in the revision process.

"We want to establish the fact that the Office of Residence Life isn't the endall be-all of du Lac revisions," Manier said.

Thursday, Kirk said he does not envision any major changes to du Lac.

"At the moment, we don't have any big plans in mind. I don't think we will undergo many changes," he said.

However, Kirk said before the Campus Life Council's first March meeting, he will meet with the group to identify any areas under consideration for revision in the next edition of du Lac

Ballet

- Beginner and Advanced classes
- Students are instructed according to their level

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Classes Meet		
Beginner	Sundays	1:00-2:30pm
	Wednesdays	6:30-7:45pm
Advanced	Sundays	2:30-4:00pm
	Wednesdays	7:45-9:00pm
Pointe	Sundays	4:00-4:45pm

Wednesdays

All classes will meet at the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center

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Register in advance at Response Registration fee is \$39.00, Pointe class is only \$10.00 Sign ups begin Monday, January 29, 8:00am Class begins Wednesday, February 7 Space is limited

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Race

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with the University after the weekend and return in the fall to a different picture.

"We get feedback about it," said Outlaw. "And we do worry, but even though we inform the students that this is not what happens all the time, the visual supersedes or overrides the auditory. So in essence they still believe this is what goes on all the time."

The visual presented to minority recruits is a Notre Dame filled with multicultural activities and leaders.

The Hispanic student-sponsored Latin Expressions is Friday night. Saturday brings several alumni to campus for a luncheon with minority alumni boards for an "opportunity to meet with alumni on board" who have received the prospective students' names in advance to better facilitate their meeting, said Outlaw.

There is also an organization fair through which students can learn about all the clubs and groups on campus they may have a interest in joining. The ROTC program and all the ethnic groups are usually the most popular draws of the day, according to organizers.

There is a closing dinner that evening, usually with a guest speaker who is generally a successful minority alumnus from around the country.

"It's true it's a very heavy weekend for multicultural events," said Jesse Dang, a senior who has been involved with the Spring Visitation project for three years. Organizers don't want to overwhelm the students, but do want to do what it takes to encourage them to attend

Notre Dame.

Not everyone thinks this deluge of multicultural activities is misleading, however.

"These are the minorities from campus," Santana said.
"The University does not bring in minority students from outside the campus. This is just a time when they come together. I don't think we try to fool the students."

Santana noted that the weekend visitors stay in dorms housing all races and attend Friday classes with students of all backgrounds.

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"We don't try to foster a false image," said Belinda Bryant, the African American student coordinator for the weekend

the weekend. "[Some people have said] you're trying to brainwash people. That's not true."

Bryant, though, who was a Spring Visitation attendee, admits to initially having trouble adjusting to Notre Dame.

"It was an adjustment," she said. "I'm not Catholic, I come from a majority black high school."

The transition to Notre Dame's predominantly white, Catholic campus was a difficult one. And the warnings she said she heard all weekend did little to help when she enrolled in the fall. "Even if [the hosts] tell you, you're not used to it until you see it."

"What could make it be [a problem] are the hosts," said Gina Corpuz, a senior who has participated in the weekend's

events for three years.

"It's very important that the hosts are honest," she said. "If they don't let the prospects know that 'no, it's not always like this,' it could make their transition in the fall that more difficult."

The success of the weekend, she said, depends on how well they inform students about Notre Dame minority life.

Not everyone can be a Spring Visitation host. What it takes is a good mix of openness, responsibility, experience and - according to many involved in the weekend - a

minority background.

"It was something I always looked forward to," said Santana, who was a host all four years of her undergraduate studies at Notre Dame.

The Office

of Admissions sends host information cards and letters inviting students to be hosts in the fall to all minorities on campus. And though the invitation is open to many, the hosts generally tend to be students who were Spring Visitation students as seniors in high school.

Hosts are generally divided by their ethnic backgrounds.

Each group - Hispanic, Asian, African-American, for example - has a student leader who helps the groups coordinate details like decorations and Tshirts.

"I had a good time when I visited," said Dang, who is the Asian American student coordinator for the Spring Visitation weekend and who attended the weekend when he was in high school. "I wanted to be able to show them the campus like my host did."

When matching a host with a prospective student, admissions considers many things including the students' home region, major and ethnic background.

Ethnic background, said Santana, is the first criterion when making matches.

Huie helps in finding hosts by suggesting students he draws from the pool of those involved with ethnic groups on campus.

"You don't want to students to come and feel so disconnected," said Outlaw. There have been white student hosts in the past, she added, but generally they are students who have had experience volunteering or working in the South Bend community.

The Spring Visitation staff tries to reassure prospective students that there is help with adjusting to life at Notre Dame.

"They see that there's a lot of support on campus, even though they don't see a lot of color on campus," Santana said. It's not intention of the University to "trick them," said Huie. Organizers let them know that it's "not going to be sunny all the time. A lot of people accept it for what it is "

But some don't.

"They don't realize how different Notre Dame can be from their lives at home," he added.

"We let students know that it's important that when you go to an institution of higher education that you find the office of multicultural affairs ... and utilize the services there," said Outlaw. "That helps you get into the inner workings of the institution so that you don't feel isolated."

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions distributes surveys after the weekend to gauge what went well and what didn't. Results usually vary from year to year.

"We always have those students who didn't have a good time, who see the real Notre Dame," Santana said.

Some students are looking for a place more diverse, "more like home and for them, [Notre Dame] may not be home," she added.

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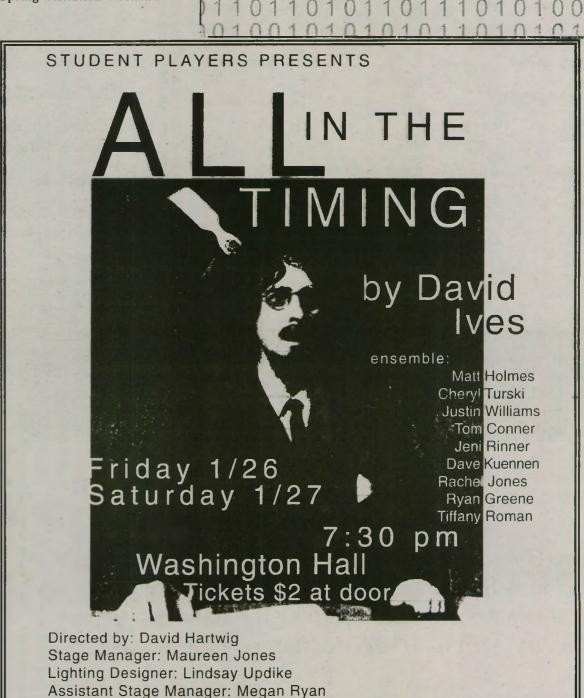
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Venezuela plane crash kills 24: An airplane carrying 24 people, including 20 European tourists, crashed Thursday in southern Venezuela, an airline spokesman said. All on board were killed, he said. Rutaca Flight 224 crashed in the evening near the southern city of Ciudad Bolivar, said Victor Arauja, a pilot for Rutaca. The cause of the crash of the DC-3 aircraft wasn't immediately known.

Britain HIV diagnosis reaches high: The number of people in Britain diagnosed last year with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, is expected to be the highest ever, public health officials said Thursday. The Public Health Laboratory Service said 2,868 new cases of HIV were reported last year., a 7 percent increase from 1999.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Former nun banned from teaching:

A former Roman Catholic nun has been barred from teaching Catholic theology at Duquesne University after being ordained as an Episcopal priest. John Murray Jr., president of the Roman Catholic university, said Thursday that Moni McIntyre was removed from the classroom because of her "public repudiation of Catholic doctrine," not her personal beliefs, Murray said she may be offered a different position in the university.

White House vandalism probed:

The Bush administration is asking staffers to report any suspected vandalism found when they took over the White House complex, though a spokesman said he doubts anything or even why the review was being conducted. Some incoming Bush staffers have grumbled that they found glass desktops broken, keyboards doused with fluids and stripped of "W" keys and tags identifying phones' numbers switched

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Lower drunk threshold debated:

State Sen. Tom Wyss' decade-long crusade to lower the drunken driving threshold in Indiana will be revived next week when committees in both chambers take up the measure. Wyss, R-Fort Wayne, has introduced the legislation in 10 of the last 11 years, but it has only reached the floor of the Senate once. That was in 1990, when the measure died later in the House. But Wyss and other lawmakers agree the outlook for the proposal looks brighter this session, thanks largely to a new federal mandate that threatens to withhold highway dollars from states that don't adopt the reduced standard.

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EGYPT



Mohammed Abu Yussef al-Affendi, a 67-year-old Palestinian refugee in the Dehaishe Refugee Camp, and his son Mustafa look at the original key to the home his family abandoned when they fled their village of Deir Aban during the 1948 Israeli War of Independence. Like el-Affendi, the thousands of Palestinians who fled during the war and who have been in camps ever since are opposed to a peace agreement with the Israelis which would deny the refugees the Right of Return to their homes in what is now the Jewish State.

Palestinian borders progress made

Associated Press

TABA Israeli and Palestinian negotiators progress on defining the borders of a Palestinian state Thursday, as peace activists and supporters of hard-line leader Ariel Sharon yelled at each other from boats sailing off the coast of this Red

negotiators resumed their peace talks after a two-day suspension that followed the kept pushing forward another motorist.

The motorist was shot and killed in an ambush outside Jerusalem in the West Bank a few hours after the talks had resumed. Israeli negotiators broke off a session with Palestinians and went into a side room. where Prime Minister Ehud Barak instructed them by telephone to continue, his office said.

Barak denounced the killing as "a despicable murder.

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group took responsibility for the ambush. The group named itself the "Thabet Thabet Brigade," after a Fatah leader killed Dec. 31 in an apparent Israeli assassination operation. The leaflet said the shooting was revenge for Thabet's death.

Two Palestinians were killed in an overnight gunbattle with Israeli soldiers in the West Bank. Since violence erupted on Sept. 28, 375 people have been killed, including 318 Palestinians, 13 Israeli In a leaflet circulated in Arabs, 43 Israeli Jews

In an interlude in the despite the killing of Yasser Arafat's Fatah talks, the Israeli and

Palestinian negotiators watched a green ship with a banner reading "Yes to Peace" sail down the coast from the neighboring Israeli city of Eilat.

Dozens of Israelis on the vessel, sailed by the dovish Israeli Peace Now group, shouted "We want peace!" in Hebrew and Arabic toward the shore of Taba.

"People are coming here to tell us we need to finish the job," said Palestinian negotiator Yasser Abed Rabbo as he stood alongside his Israeli negotiator Yossi Beilin on a dock. The two laughed and waved at the ship.

California crafting power plan

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. Lawmakers are considering a plan under which California would issue bonds to cover the multibillion-dollar debts of its two biggest electric utilities and make customers pay the money back over a decade.

A consumer advocate immediately called the proposal a "bailout" and promised to fight it with a voter ini-

tiative campaign. "If that's what they plan to do, they'll have to contend with a ratepayer revolt at the ballot box in

2002," said Harvey Rosenfield of the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights.

Lawmakers began fashioning the plan after the state received dozens of bids Wednesday from suppliers willing to sign long-term contracts to sell power to energy-starved California.

The offers bought the Legislature some time to work on a long-term solution to a crisis that resulted in rolling blackouts last week and has left the two utilities some \$12 billion in debt. The state is buying power on the utilities' behalf because their

credit is practically worthless.

Under the proposal discussed Thursday, the state would issue revenue bonds that Southern California Edison and Pacific Gas and Electric Co. customers would pay back over several years, said Assemblyman Bill Campbell, the Republican minority leader.

In exchange, the state would get long-term options that would let the state buy SoCal Edison and PG&E stock at a low price. If the price goes up, the state could sell the stock and use the profits to pay off the bonds.

ACE program receives award for national service work

By MEG DADAY News Writer

It is the first day of school for Jim Rigg. His first day as a teacher; his first day at the urban, predominantly African-American, Bishop Byrne High School in Memphis, Tenn.

The Notre Dame alum explains to his senior computer class how to create a folder and then asks them to do it and name it whatever they choose. Walking around, making sure the students followed his instructions, he also reads the names of the folders. When he gets to one, he realizes that, at 22-years old, he has already forgotten how immature 17- and 18-yearolds can be. He barely suppresses a smile when he sees the name: pisscorn.

Incidents similar to this one happen nearly every day to each of the more than 150 students who are part of the for Alliance Catholic Education (ACE) program.

"There are so many funny things that happen," said Rigg. "They surprise me with how much they know and how much they don't know."

This year, Notre Dame

Corporation for National Service for the ACE program.

Senior Associate Director Al Stashis said, "The award is not for anything specific, but recognizes our cumulative success. It is quite an honor to be recognized in the presence of so many other great univer-

Receiving an award is not the only proof of the program's success. Notre Dame is helping set up similar programs at other universities around the country, so that they can serve parochial schools in their states.

Programs at the University of Portland, Dayton University and Seton Hall have already been established and programs at Loyola-Marymont and the Christian Brothers in Memphis are being set up.

"We talk about what our program does and its mission and focus. We share with these schools the lessons we've learned," said Stashis. We provide them with funding to help feed their effort and advise them on how their program is developing."

Stashis believes that students are drawn to the program because they are inter-

received an award from the ested in service and especially service through teaching. He also said many try teaching to see if it is their life's vocation. Seventy-five to 80 percent of ACE's applicants are from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's.

The program accepts graduates from all fields of study.

Rigg said that although he knew he wanted to teach during his sophomore year of college, he was drawn to ACE because "I like the service aspect of ACE. They really take pains in putting you in schools that need you.

Although it was a shock for Rigg to come to a small, predominantly black high school after having attended a large, suburban, mostly white high school and Notre Dame, he "has not regretted it once."

In addition to the culture shock, being a teacher is a lot of work.

Rigg leaves the house where he lives with five other ACE teachers at 6 a.m. and does not return until 7 or 8 p.m. He teaches five different classes every day which means he must write five separate lesson plans. He is also directing the school's spring musical, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

"I have a friend who started ACE the year before me who told me, 'Jim, if you do this you'll work hard, learn a lot and it'll be the most incredible experience of your life. Just don't expect to have a social life.' And it's all true," said

Rigg also pointed out that new graduates almost always have to work long hours at their jobs. "I pity them because they complain that they aren't getting anything out of their work. I'm not doing it for the money because I don't get paid much, but I do it because everyday I teach I learn something or hear something funny or get something out of it and I don't think too many people can say that.'

ACE was founded in 1994 by Father Timothy Scully and Sean McGraw. According to Stashis the mission of ACE is "to provide enthusiastic, talented college graduates to serve as teachers in Catholic schools.

When the program began, it served four dioceses and 40 students participated. Currently there are more than 150 students teaching in 13

To begin an undertaking such as ACE, a great deal of initial monetary support is

ACE was one of 11 national demonstration programs the Corporation for National Service helped fund. National Service was created in 1993 as a result of former President Bill Clinton's 1992 campaign promise to design a program that combines service and

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ND grad becomes flight director James Wetherbee, a 1974 alumnus, is a veteran

Special to The Observer

The Mission Operations Directorate at NASA's Johnson Space Center has appointed 10 new flight directors, including Notre Dame alumna Annette Hasbrook

Hasbrook is a 1985 graduate with a bachelor's degree in aerospace and mechanical engineering. A resident of Clear Lake City, Texas, she has worked at the Johnson Space Center since 1987 with the payloads team, most recently as the group leader serving as a flight controller in the Space Shuttle Flight Control Room.

A flight director manages the flight controllers who work in the Mission Control Center and has overall responsibility for the successful management and execution of space flights. Directors also lead and orchestrate planning and integration activities with flight controllers, payload customers, International Space Station partners and others.

Three other Notre Dame graduates are members of NASA's astronaut corps. U.S. Navy Capt.

of four space shuttle missions and 955 hours in space both as a pilot and mission commander. He is scheduled to command a shuttle mission

U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Kevin Ford, a 1982 graduate with a bachelor's degree in aerospace and mechanical engineering, and Air Force Major Michael Good, who earned bachelor's and

master's degrees in aerospace and mechanical engineerfrom Notre Dame in 1984 and 1986 respectively, were named to the astronaut last corps year.

On Saturday, January 13th.

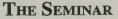
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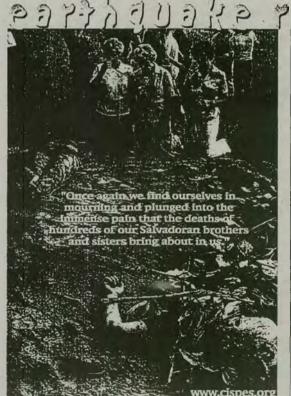
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Arts center undergoes new design

♦ Coleman-Morse center nears completion

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

Construction of the Marie DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will be delayed for several months to redesign some areas of the 125,000 square feet project.

According to Jim Lyphout, vice president of business operations, specific reasons for the delay included design modifications to the lobby and the exterior of the building.

"We hope to start construction in April or May and construction should last about 27 months, as it's a very large and complex building," said Lyphout.

When the building opens in late 2003, it will complete the DeBartolo quad, and contain a 900-seat concert hall, a movie

theater, an organ and chorale hall and a studio theater.

ColemanMorse center
on South
Quad is
scheduled to
open after
spring break.
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Year Writing Center, Learning Resource Center, Campus Ministry and Academic Services for Student Athletes will all be moved from their current locations to the Coleman-Morse center during spring break.

"We hope to start construction in April or May and [it] should last about 27 months, as it's

building."

Jim Lyphout

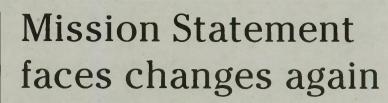
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According to Lyphout, renovation of the Hayes Healey Center and Hurley Hall, which will house the Math and International Relations department, and construction of the Philosophy and Theology faculty hall is

also on schedule and both buildings should be ready for use during the Fall 2001 semester.



"It involved very, very

modestly reworking the

Mission Statement."

Patti Sayre

committee member

◆ Commission's second revision awaits approval

By KATIE McVOY News Writer

A change to Saint Mary's Mission Statement awaits approval by College officials, leaders of the revision effort said recently

If approved, the revision will represent the second change to the statement this academic year.

Last year philosophy professor Patricia Sayre and four other faculty members formed

an ad hoc faculty committee that was created to work with the Commission for Mission, which was created to discuss the goals of the

College. The committees have created yet another draft of a mission statement for the College.

"We were directed to work together on a statement," head of mission Sister Rose Anne Schultz said.

"It involved very, very modestly reworking the mission statement," philosophy professor and committee member Patti Sayre added.

Schultz confirmed that there is now another draft of the statement that is ready to be presented to members of the Saint Mary's community.

Jeff Breese, head of the faculty assembly, said the faculty will view the new draft of the statement on February 14.

With few adjustments, the new draft reads similarly to the

original Saint Mary's mission statement that has appeared in the College's literature for years

"Although [the changes] are modest as far as words go, they fix the problem," Sayre said.

The problem, according to Sayre, was exclusion.

"There are three different groups named in the new statement, faculty, staff and students," Sayre said. "Staff were not mentioned by name in the original statement; now they are."

Another goal of the mission committee was to shorten the page-length statement. The new draft presents the first paragraph of the old statement

as the Mission Statement, and the paragraphs that follow explain the College's philosophy and purpose.

Although the new draft

will be presented, it still needs approval.

"No decision has been made regarding the mission statement," Schultz said. "There is still need of consideration of this issue by faculty and other appropriate bodies before the president submits it to the Board of Trustees for approval."

Depending on the faculty's response, the statement will go before students and staff for discussion.

"There's no point in putting another draft before the students before the faculty has voiced its approval," Sayre said.

Schultz would not discuss the specific path the draft would follow before coming before the Board of Trustees.

"We have a process about how to go about this," she said. "It's important to be respectful of the proper channels. I do think that it is very likely that if this draft goes through, it would be acceptable"

Although the faculty will not discuss the new draft until February, the feeling is that the faculty will approve it.

"I think that very likely ... [the draft] would be acceptable," Sayre said.

Despite previous problems between the faculty and the mission committee, both groups are concerned about the new mission and the students.

"Our focus is a sense of unity, of the community coming together," Schultz said. "The focus of everyone's life here is the students."

"There is deep concern," Sayre added.

Schultz said that more information on the process of approval will be released next week.

In September the faculty rejected the draft proposed to them and threw their support to the original Saint Mary's Mission Statement.

"The faculty was saying that they did not support the new Mission Statement and the reasons [to change the mission statement] that were stated are not sufficient," Sayre said.





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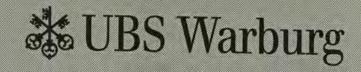
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FBI: Texas seven alluded police without accomplices

"Like all Texans, I want

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Associated Press

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo.
The Texas prison fugitives apparently were not helped as they fled 800 miles to Colorado, bought, stole or traded at least three vehicles and eluded a huge manhunt for six weeks, authorities said Thursday.

"We're not aware that they had help from anyone," FBI agent Mark Mershon said. "No other arrests are planned."

However, authorities from both states pledged to keep digging through hundreds of tips received since the Dec. 13 prison break. Mershon said authorities know of no Colorado relatives of any of the seven men.

Defense attorneys declined comment Thursday.

Meanwhile, George Rivas, the suspected ringleader of the group, agreed to swift extradition to Texas. Fellow convict Michael Rodriguez asked a judge for time to review his options before deciding whether to fight extradition.

The six surviving convicts are expected to face murder charges and a possible death sentence for the Christmas Eve slaying of a Dallas-area policeman, Aubrey Hawkins. Rivas told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram he is prepared to accept the death penalty.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry has signed and sent the extradition requests.

"Like all Texans, I want these violent fugitives returned to Texas as soon as possible to stand trial for their crimes," he said.

While the men had stayed together since the escape, there were signs they were preparing to go their separate

Authorities said they group had apparently been trying to make false IDs. Rivas said he had taken a job as a butcher in Denver, and another convict, Randy Halprin, told the Rocky Mountain News he was planning to

take a bus to Seattle this week.

But instead, four of the inmates were arrested Monday in nearby Woodland Park and a fifth committed suicide. The two others were arrested Wednesday in Colorado Springs.

Authorities said many reports about

the men were simply rumors.

They dismissed claims that two of the convicts arrested Monday learned that authorities were closing in either by intercepting a radio transmission or

receiving a cellphone call.

Teller County Sheriff Frank Fehn also said Rivas had gunshot wounds to the right abdomen and buttocks that had been stitched up with dental floss. He said Halprin had a gunshot wound to the foot that the convict said happened a couple of weeks ago "during horseplay with weapons."

More court appearances were scheduled for Friday and Monday.

Inaugural trespasser: I am invisible, undetectable

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The man who slipped past Inauguration Day security to casually shake President Bush's hand says he was delivering a message from God and was granted a mystical ability to pass undetected.

Richard Weaver, a self-proclaimed Christian minister, spoke with The Associated Press by telephone from his home in Sacramento, Calif. Images of him shaking Bush's hand on Inauguration Day matched those taken by the AP at his home Thursday.

U.S. Capitol Police and Secret Service agents would not confirm that Weaver was the man who shook Bush's hand. Capitol Police have said that the trespasser at Bush's inauguration also pulled a similar stunt at President Clinton's second inauguration in 1997.

"I don't have to push through and I never have to do any 'Mission Impossible'-type stunts," said Weaver, who lamented that some Secret Service agents might get in trouble because of his security breaches.

"I see it as a miracle," Weaver said. "I believe God makes me invisible to the security, undetectable."

Weaver tells of having met several past presidents, sometimes waltzing past security, other times seeking them out in public churches or museums.

His inaugural escapade on Jan. 20 was the equivalent of a "called shot" — Secret Service agents were on the lookout for Weaver this year, even going so far as to show security officers a tape of him shaking Clinton's hand four years ago. They were also reasonably sure

Weaver would try to reach Bush, because Weaver said as much during an interview with Secret Service agents after the Clinton incident.

Security at this year's inauguration was tighter than usual because of planned protests. Capitol Police said the trespasser was unarmed and had been taken through two metal detectors.

"It is something we take seriously, a man able to get to the president seemingly at will," Lt. Dan Nichols, a spokesman for the Capitol Police, said Thursday. "We will review everything about how the incident occurred."

The White House declined to comment on the matter Thursday, but spokesman Ari Fleischer said earlier the incident posed no risk to Bush.

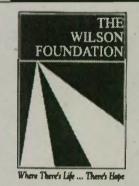
"The president was never in any type of risk at all. And we have full faith and confidence in the Secret Service: They do their job, they do it professionally, they do it well," Fleischer said.

This year's Inauguration Day incident was documented on a videotape and Weaver's account of the handshake matched that given by a White House spokesman. Wearing a dark wool overcoat, Weaver smiled his way toward Bush, shook his hand and slipped him a coin and a piece of blue paper.

The paper bore the message, "Keep Christ first and he will grant you another miracle victory in four years."

Weaver said the coin was a gift of Bush's father, former President Bush. He claims to have met both Bushes in 1981 at a museum.

Weaver said he passed by two levels of security and sat inside the Capitol with the National Medal of Honor winners during Bush's inaugural speech.



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Rev. Steve Newton, C.S.C., President and Chief Executive Officer of The Wilson Foundation, has announced that all members of the Notre Dame and St. Mary's College Community are invited to participate in the design of a new award, named in honor of Notre Dame's Emeritus Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C. The award - The Hesburgh Award for International Human Development - will be given annually by the Wilson Foundation to honor lives of commitment to international human development in terms of new economic, social and political structures in the third world. The first recipient will be Fr. Hesburgh himself. He will be presented the award at a May 7 ceremony in New York City.

It is expected that each design submitted will incorporate the logo of the foundation, some depiction of inernational development and these thoughts of Fr. Hesburgh, from his Book <u>God</u>, <u>Country</u>, <u>Notre Dame</u>:

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Open speaker policy only option for SMC

The free and unrestricted exchange of ideas is crucial to establishing an educational environment that cherishes academic freedom. The process of

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developing mature viewpoints on social issues requires the critical examination of students' beliefs.

An educational system that does not

challenge students to question their moral, intellectual and spiritual knowledge is not educating students in the true sense of academic freedom.

In its current Mission Statement, Saint Mary's claims to cherish academic freedom, stating, "The College creates an open forum in which students freely and critically study the rich heritage of the Catholic tradition, raising the questions necessary to develop a mature religious life.'

The recent decision to cancel "The Vagina Monologues," a criticallyacclaimed play discussing women's sexuality, is a blatant act of censorship that does not allow students to critically

examine their belief systems. Saint Mary's should be the perfect venue for a discussion of women's sexuality regardless of its Catholic orientation. In

response to claims that the play goes against Catholic teaching, however, the administration pulled the plug on the production.

Restricting a production such as "The Vagina

Monologues" that challenges traditional perspectives of women's sexuality will not make these perspectives go away. It will only prevent students from exploring them.

By restricting students' ability to challenge and explore traditional ideas, Saint Mary's is cheapening its students' education — and sending the message that it does not truly believe students should be challenging any ideas at all.

The administration's decision to cave to political pressure and cancel "The Vagina Monologues" causes concern that this action will be repeated in other College venues. If the College does encourage students to "raise the questions necessary to develop a mature religious life," it would be wise to adopt an open-speaker policy on campus to ensure productions like "The Vagina Monologues" will not be censored. The question is not if "The Vagina Monologues" goes against Catholic teaching, but if the administration is taking the necessary efforts to allow students to pursue the critical questioning essential to academic freedom.

President Marilou Eldred has been a vocal proponent of the role women's colleges can play in addressing women's issues since taking the presidency four years ago. By attending last year's Monologues, Eldred confirmed this commitment to the community. Eldred's move to cancel the "Monologues" has made it clear that her commitment is to the alumnae and Parents Council, who opposed the play's return to campus, not the women on

It is time for Eldred to reaffirm her commitment to the students on campus and trust them to maturely evaluate differing points of view.

Marketing Wilson the volleyball

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It's the new millennium, and being an American is easier than ever. Even the English language has adapted to our more convenient lifestyles. We can take a shot and take a hit. We can channel surf and surf the Web.

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Tom Tortorich

The Daily Iowan

A few weeks ago, surfing the tube, I learned that Wilson Sporting Goods Inc. is planning on marketing the volleyball named Wilson from the blockbuster, Cast Away

For those of you who haven't seen the flick, when Tom Hanks' character is stranded on a desert island, one of his only reminders of civilization is a volleyball that has washed ashore with him. He draws a face on it, names it Wilson, and begins talking to it.

If I were stranded on a desert island, I can see how a need to talk to a volleyball would develop.

Why market this product to America? Because it will sell.

Why will it sell? Because Americans are a paradoxical people. We willingly shut ourselves off from the rest of the world - reclining and surfing by ourselves — until we feel the private pang of loneliness. One of the first solutions of the 21st Century for combating loneliness is a volleyball. The desire for companionship, of course, is as old as anything released from Pandora's Box, but never before has it been so convenient

to make a friend. The first solution was human interaction. But who wants to mingle when you can have your very own volleyball?

The idea isn't a factory-fresh one, either. It's a millennial twist on the

Chia Pet. But, heck, you have to water those. It'll be a cold day in Hades when engineers finally invent an insta-buddy who requires less maintenance than the

Wilson volleyball The source of my information on the Wilson volleyball offers more proof that it's easier than ever to be an American. WGN News, where I heard this tiddy, is broadcast by the Tribune Co., which brings you the Chicago Tribune. Because reading is too much work, the CEOs decided to make the same information available to us over a medium we can surf.

Or should I say misinformation. It was during the same half-hour news broadcast that the reporters announced the Dow Jones market had dropped an odd number of points that day. Fifteen minutes later, the anchor announced that, thanks to a loyal viewer, the show's producers had realized an error. In fact, the Dow Jones had risen that

day.

That's a glaring error. How am I pos-

SCOTT ADAMS

sibly to believe that Wilson is making a volleyball in light of this? Easy solution: Surf the 'Net

None of this involved ever talking to a real person. Never did I utter the question, "Is Wilson making a volleyball

named Wilson?" and still I have my answer — or at least a partial one. The company is currently considering the potential marketability of

such a product. What's there to consider? You're talking about a culture that turned to Fast Mac because Easy Mac wasn't fast enough and Macaroni and Cheese wasn't easy enough. Even the polysyllabic name Macaroni and Cheese was abbrevi-

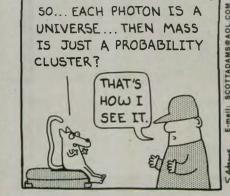
Let me just say one word to the guys at the Wilson Corp.: I guarantee a Wilson volleyball named

Wilson will sell in this country of ease and convenience. Americans will even vote Wilson for president.

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WOW! I THINK MY TINY SKULL IS SO FULL IT'S GOING TO EXPLODE.





QUOTE OF THE DAY

"First you take a drink, then the drink takes a drink, then the drink takes you."

> F. Scott Fitzgerald author

OBSERVER

Finding out about alcohol abroad

To American students, including many of those at Notre Dame, alcohol represents the ultimate in "forbidden fruits." It costs relatively little. Under-aged students can easily obtain it. The consequences of its illegal consumption are avoidable. Administrators generally turn a blind eye towards its presence at football games, in the dormitories and within fraternities.

Unfortunately, the combination of easy alcoholic beverage availability and the student abuse of the "forbidden fruit" results in numerous tragedies each year. In the case of such tragedies, like a death from alcohol poisoning, the responsibility then falls on the University administration to face the grieving family and friends and their accusations of negligence or inadequate supervision or control.

Yet the backlash upon the University comes unfairly. The blame for the misuse of alcohol by undergraduates lies not within the degree of enforcement rules of the University but rather deeper within American culture.

As a result of the drinking age, American youth do not learn to view moderate alcoholic beverage consumption as a part of life, especially when the adults in their life do not set a good example. They do not appreciate

alcoholic beverages as one aspect of the general culture of food and

Instead, they regard it as a secondary dessert after meals. Its consumption becomes in their eyes a leisure activity — a forbidden plea-

A year abroad in Europe presents a unique opportunity for students to adopt a healthy attitude towards alcohol. In Austria, the university students do not consider alcohol a substance to be consumed in large quantities in a small amount of time. Rather, they spend hours in cafes and bars talking over a single beer or glass of wine

At my host family's house, my host father speaks of drinking particular wines with various meals and dishes according to the combina-

Although a person must be 18 years old to order a drink at a pub or bar, no true drinking age exists in Austria. A child can purchase vodka at the supermarket. Yet, despite the open availability of alcohol, Austria as yet does not have a problem with alcoholism in the pre-

Instead, the lack of restriction on alcohol allows the prevailing moderate attitude towards alcohol consumption held by most of the students that I have encountered. And indeed, many Innsbruckers will attest that after five months here, they now look at their beer more maturely and moderately

Unfortunately, the combination of the American college student mentality towards alcoholic drinks and the bottles of hard liquor lined for purchase by all on the supermarket shelves can result in misuse by students similar to the misuse on Notre Dame's campus.

Recent incidents involving the over-consumption of alcohol by students in Innsbruck and in other study-abroad programs has brought into question the University policy concerning alcohol.

The University must find a way to govern the use of alcohol by the students in order to protect both the students and the University. The rules of DuLac can no longer apply in Europe.

If the University were to prohibit the American students to drink in accordance with the United States law, it would constrain the students' ability to assimilate into the European culture, the ultimate goal of the study-abroad programs.

Mistakes by students in the consumption of alcohol cannot be addressed merely as violations of law, since no laws are violated by mere consumption. Instead, the University must regard the mistakes made by the students as simply mistakes, unless the infraction brought consequences so great that the well-being of the other students or the surrounding community lay directly in the path of danger.

Cases of true alcoholism cannot be ignored. However, as University officials cannot personally watch the students abroad and have even less control over their actions in Europe than in the United States, the University must rely upon the foresight and the maturity of the other students, who hold the responsibility to bring any problem of alcoholism to the attention of those who can be of assistance, such as a professor or the director of the study-abroad program.

Ideally, the students will step off the plane in December or June with a new perspective on campus parties and with a new outlook on American drinking culture as a whole. The issues concerning alcohol within the American culture and on college campuses do not have an easy solution. Universities will always have to deal with problems of drinking among undergraduates until the moderate consumption of alcohol becomes a part of the general American culture.

Fortunately, for some students, who truly live within and experience the European culture, a semester or a year abroad results in their recognition of the proper role of alcohol consumption.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Continuing the dialogue about 'The Vagina Monologues'

Censorship is sometimes the answer

Most of the students reading this will be familiar with a pop song played regularly on the radio only few short months ago: "You and me, baby, we ain't nothin' but mammals/Doin' what they do on the Discovery Channel.'

Let's think about what those mammals do: those females, of course, also have vaginas. Most often, males see that females are in heat, sometimes by the females' special attention to their hindquarters. Noticing this, the males tend to use various means of seduction to grab the females, often violently, and proceed to have their good pleasure - usually at the expense of the females, who rarely derive much satisfaction from the encounter and are stuck with raising the offspring from such experiences, often

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Stimme

A young man walks into a bar one night. Here he finds many delights, scantily clad women ranked high among them. Judging by their movements and preening, he proceeds to choose one and dance vigorously with her, pressuring her to accept the drinks he offers her. Later on, mildly inebriated, they have sex, a meaningless, brief encounter that neither is likely to remember for more than a couple of weeks. He, of course, was not thinking much of her satisfaction, and doesn't even know that he has conceived a child with her. She is stuck raising the child, alone.

There's a disturbing parallel here. The two people in the second case have lost any account of meaning in sexual relations, their erogenous

zones as common to their mutual experience as their hands, feet, arms, and faces; in fact, the divorce of sexuality and the sacred conveys a basic attitude of nihilism about their bodies. To

be a sexually functioning human being means no more to them than to be a sexually functioning golden retriever.

This is the fruit of "the sexual liberation" in which women are "free to have sex like men do," but instead tend to serve his more selfish desires.

There's no question that the society surrounding us has lost this sense of the sacred about sexuality and relationships: The massive popularity of programs such as "Temptation Island" and other forms of pornography fill television and the walls of many men's dorm

There also can be no question that treating the discussion of vaginas and other aspects of human sexuality as commonplace and appropriate to the general public sphere, especially in crass and blunt ways, does not aid in reestablishing

what has been so cruelly lost to us. There was a day and a society where sex and everything surrounding it meant dignity and commitment, when sex meant more than an exchange of orgasms.

Let us bring it anew from the ashes.

Nathaniel Hannan

Inside column missed the point

Inside columnist Nate Phillips enraged numerous women on campus yesterday by misunderstanding "The Vagina Monologues." Phillips admits that he has not read or seen the play, his ignorance did not seem to stop him from condemning it.

Claiming that "The Vagina Monologues" only add to the objectification of women and ultimately undermines the feminist movement, Phillips asks, "how is allowing women to talk about their bodies, their vaginas and sex in any way an uplifting and productive avenue for modern-day feminists to pursue?'

However, Phillips fails to realize that, implicit within his question is already the presupposition that women who discuss their sexuality are somehow vulgar, that the female body and sexuality can never be discussed in a way that glorifies women or the human species and that sex can be a holy, spiritual, beautiful, life-giving, incredibly liberating experience, one that captures and expresses the depths of human intimacy and love. Perhaps Phillips should read a few papal encyclicals if he wants to know how the human body cannot only be discussed with reverence but also celebrated and glorified.

One might ask, then, do "The Vagina Monologues" really accomplish a theology of the body that reflects the dignity of the human person, as envisioned by the Pope, or could they be seen as promoting promiscuity and concupiscence guised as female liberation? Although this is an important question, it dodges the central issue at stake. The central issue is not the moral permissibility of sex under certain circumstances; the key issue is how women are to be treated as sexual beings, and that is what "The Vagina Monologues" explores.

In the process, the play seeks to dispel the double standard that praises men for their

promiscuity and condemns women for theirs. In actuality, either both behaviors need to be condemned equally or women should be freed from the social stigma that accompanies such

Phillips makes the mistake of only viewing women on one plane — the physical. The vagina of "The Vagina Monologues" is not just the physical body part but also the locus of the female identity that reaches far beyond the physical, into the emotional and spiritual. The target audience for "The Vagina Monologues" is men like Phillips, who fail to see the deeper meaning that lies in the word "vagina.

For this very reason, it is a tragedy that the play will not be performed at Saint Mary's or Notre Dame. Perhaps if Phillips had taken the time to see one of the plays, then maybe he would have realized that the purpose of "The Vagina Monologues" is to stop violence against women, to unite people against female genitalia mutilation in Africa, to help young poor women in Bangladesh who suffer from acid burns after rejecting marriage proposals, to stop families from killing their daughters who were raped in Pakistan and to eradicate incest and rape in the United States. And, yes, even sexual abuses at

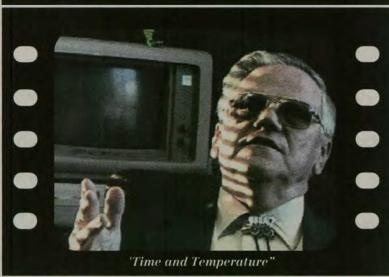
Phillips is right, the play's purpose is to shock - but to shock and educate, and through education, change the future so that men and women together can learn to understand, respect and love their bodies and each other, interacting and enjoying one another as God

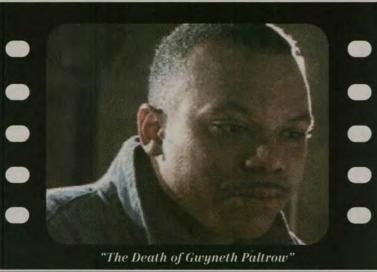
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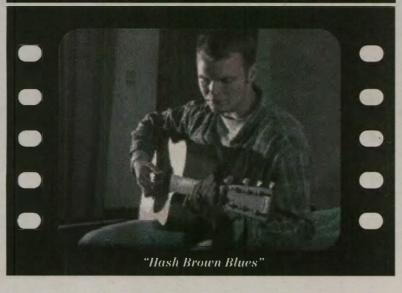
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2001 Notre Dame Stud entertainment for a

The ever-popular and often controversial studen students this weekend. Scene got a sneak previous

By CHRIS SIKORSKI

One of the most popular and most talked about events of the year returns to the Snite Museum of Art on Friday, Saturday and Monday as the 12th annual Notre Dame Student Film Festival rolls into action.

The event has more than tripled in popularity since its humble beginnings in 1989, according to Film, Television and Theatre professor Ted Mandell.

"Back when we started, we'd get crowds of 50 or 60 people," he said. "Now, the shows sell out. It's really a reward for the filmmakers' effort, because a film is a labor of love, with the shooting, casting, editing and reediting that goes into it."

The production is also a great educational opportunity for the students. The festival gives the students the chance to gauge a large audience's reaction to their work.

"You could have 200-300 people laughing at one joke or scene, and have dead silence at another," Mandell said. "You never get to see what really works until a crowd watches it."

While close to 150 films are produced every year in the department's four production classes (taught by professor/head of production Jill Godmilow, assistant professional specialist Bill Donaruma and Mandell), time constraints play a large role in deciding which ones appear in the festival.

"There were many worthy films that didn't make it [into the festival] because of time constraints," Mandell said.

This weekend's show offers more light-hearted fare than in previous years. While last year's festival will probably be remembered for its heavily sociopolitical and provocative works, many of this year's films are documentaries or comedies. The program is not all humorous, though. The edgier, dramatic films offer moments of poignancy and reflection (and even confusion) which offset some of the more "easily digestible" works. Also, some of the films contain mature adult content. The end result is a fresh and entertaining variety of student achievement that is definitely worth seeing.

This popular event has found its niche in the last weekend in January, consistently selling out the past several years. With showings at 7:30 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. each night, the festival is expected to sell out again. Tickets are \$4 and available in LaFortune.

Blind Date #42

Directed by Rick Silvestrini, a senior from Rockton, Ill., and Charlie Holden-Corbett, a senior from Traverse City, Mich., this comedy occurs during a blind date between two 20-somethings and is filmed entirely within an apartment.

The camera often holds the same shot for extended periods of time, drawing attention to the two actors and their dialogue. This establishes a voyeuristic feel of an observer, rather than an omnipresent view that several camera angles would establish. Also, it forces the viewer to focus on the dialogue of the actors, especially the fumbling, awkward attempts at conversation that reinforce how a blind date can go terribly wrong (or right).

The viewer actually feels the discomfort of the subjects on the screen. A bizarre yet entertaining twist makes this particular engagement very different from what anyone could ever anticipate. Every Year.

it's the most talked about



This weekend's showing of the 12th annual student in by Notre Dame students. Usually attracting a sell-out tive and humorous entertainment. Tickets sell fast, so

Two in the Smoker

Sean Daily, a 2000 graduate from Los Gatos, Calif. directs this humorous slice-of-life documentary about the fishermen of the St. Joseph River in South Bend. Shot in high-end digital video, this technically skillful work features such testimonies as discourses from die-hard fishermen and a game warden's explanation of how to catch fishing violators while going undercover.

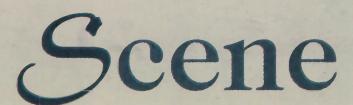
The film contains a lot of subtle humor, often due to the efforts of alum Andrew McDonnell, the "interviewer" of this documentary. The real treats, though, are the regular fishermen of the river who reveal their obsession with the sport and their views on life (which are often tied up in the same themes).

Subjects range from the sex of a fish, tying a fly and bleeding fish, to "expert opinions" from the fishermen concerning the authenticity of the fishing scenes in "A River Runs Through It." This film will get a few chuckles from any viewer.

Six Degrees of Chicks, Dicks, Dope, and Old

This film, directed by Dan Nowak, a junior from Des Plaines, Ill., is reminiscent of Kevin Smith's independent movie Clerks, with raunchy dialogue and explicit sexual bantering between friends.

It concerns a single story (which nobody is really positive actually happened) told by four different people in four different conversations. The film rotates among four different private discussions (girls drinking coffee, adolescent



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t film festival will showcase the talent of ND FTT ew for several of the films headlining this event.

event on campus



ilm festival will feature 13 different shorts all directed crowd, the festival is sure to provide plenty of provocaget them soon at the LaFortune box office.

males at a gas station, the middle of a drug deal and naïve mothers talking over a cup of tea...hence the title).

The verbal connections and scene editing are clever, with one particular bit that will be sure to get a reaction from the entire audience. Also, every character seems to be talking about another character in a different scene, which unifies the whole story. Watching how some scenes play off others provides another high point of the film.

Time and Temperature

This documentary, directed by Beth Leliaert, a senior from Osceola, Ind., and Andy Gregar, a senior from South Bend, tells about the feud between an insurance agent and the local government in the "sleepy bedroom community" of Osceola.

Essentially, successful insurance agent Randy has erected an expensive sign that flashes the time and temperature, unknowingly violating the town ordinance against blinking signs. Members of local government (and one of Randy's competitors) are none too pleased about this wanton disregard of town law.

The portrayal of real people's reactions to a minor dispute makes this film interesting, and the subtle innuendoes that surface reveal all the issues that a simple sign can raise. Polite opinions eventually become mild accusations of a "good ol' boy system" and "another Las Vegas."

The editing of the film is well done, with shots of other business signs "dangerously close" to

violating city law and the declarations of each subject juxtaposed as if the speakers were debating each other. It's a very witty presentation of small-town politics and the people that get caught up in them.

Josephine

Kara Zuaro, a senior from Bethpage, NY, and Chris Jara, a 2000 graduate from South Bend, direct this narrative about the young life of an ambitious self-starter.

The film documents her Italian upbringing (Godfather movies and a quirky father), clashes with authority in high school and experiences at a highly conservative university (aka Notre Dame). Basically, it focuses on how the young woman overcomes a succession of obstacles.

The story itself isn't the main message, but how it serves to present the personality of the central character within it. The film is narrated by the character's mother who, in an affectionate yet truthful tone, interjects her personal opinions among the description of events transpiring in the film.

The running commentary helps the viewer to identify with the main character in the situations encountered during the story. Even if the description is brimming with a mother's love, it presents enough objectivity to effectively reveal much more about the protagonist than what can be observed from her visible actions.

The Death of Gwyneth Paltrow

Larice Woods, a 2000 graduate from Austin, Texas, and Joey Leniski, a 2000 graduate from Mishawaka, direct this edgy, scathing portrayal of society's devotion to entertainment and public figures. The film takes an absurd concept and uses it to mirror the none-too-absurd implications reflected in the real world.

When Hollywood's sweetheart is killed in a random car accident, her "guardian angel" is put on trial for criminal neglect. The public outrage and ensuing legal proceedings continue in an almost surreal manner, with a news reporter giving a running account of the prisoner's transfer with eerily objective comments such as "this is the first time a divine being has stood trial under human law."

Incredibly, the above events don't seem as improbable when placed in the context of this film, painting a very disturbing picture of how a society as a whole can so easily throw aside religion for the sake of a personality — someone whom they have never met. The resolution of this far-fetched situation is powerfully and uncompromisingly delivered.

Other films included (but not limited to) in the 13-film production are:

Hash Brown Blues

Directed by Tom Repetto, a senior from Norwood Park, Ill., and David Chamberlin, a 2000 graduate from Indianapolis, here is the story about a young blues musician and his travels "on the road."

The Paper

Directed by Scott Blaszak, this is the story of a modern-day Charlie Chaplin trying to turn in a final paper before the deadline, despite mishaps that occur along the way.

These eight films were made available for Scene to review. Five other student directed films will be shown during the 110 minute presentation.









NBA

Smith's 22 points leads Blazers past streaking Pacers

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS Indiana's stingy defense was no match for Steve Smith and the Portland Trail Blazers.

Smith scored 14 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter Thursday night as the Trail Blazers held off a late rally and beat Indiana 92-82, snapping the Pacers' four-game winning streak.

"I hit some shots, the guys were setting some picks and looking for me," Smith said. "They came back in the fourth quarter, but we're a pretty good team. We gutted it out and got us a victory."

Portland set the tone early, hitting 10 of its first 13 shots and building an 18-point lead before the Pacers closed within three on a basket by Jalen Rose at the end of the third quarter.

A 3-pointer by Reggie Miller and a basket by Austin Croshere had Indiana within 69-65 in the fourth period. But Smith scored two straight baskets, Greg Anthony hit one of two free throws and Smith and Rasheed Wallace scored again to break the game open.

"We were hitting our shots,"
Smith said. "When you've got
a lot of guys hitting shots it's
hard to pick a guy to come off
of. You've got to double a lot
of our guys on our team, and
we were kind of making them
pay the price for it."

Mavericks 120, Grizzlies 83

The Dallas Mavericks clearly remembered what happened the last time the Vancouver Grizzlies came to town.

Steve Nash scored 21 points and Michael Finley added 20 as the Mavericks paid back the Grizzlies with a victory.

In their previous visit to Reunion Arena on Nov. 8, the

Grizzlies routed the Mavericks 101-74, Dallas' most lopsided defeat of the season.

"The only explanation is that we were more prepared tonight," acting Mavericks coach Donn Nelson said. "That loss definitely stung and we hadn't forgotten that. We're a deeper team, more mature and were executing better."

Dirk Nowitzki had 19 points and 10 rebounds and Hubert Davis added 19 points off the bench for the Mavericks, who won for the fourth time in their last five games.

Dallas posted its seasonhigh point total and its largest margin of victory for the season. Vancouver lost its sixth in a row.

The Mavericks rolled to a 71-43 halftime lead behind 15 points and eight rebounds from Nowitzki and 13 from Davis. Dallas had its biggest half of the season, surpassing a 69-point second half against Houston on Dec. 30.

Dallas broke open the game by outscoring the Grizzlies 39-20 in the second quarter behind Davis' 13 points and Nowitzki's 12. The Mavericks shot 69.6 percent in the second quarter (16-for-23) and Davis hit all three 3-point attempts.

The Mavericks wanted get off to a better start than they did on Tuesday night when the were outscored by the Philadelphia 76ers in the first quarter, 32-20, en route to a 114-98 defeat. Nash was especially anxious to play well against Vancouver, his native city

"We were determined after the last loss (to Philadelphia) to get off to a good start tonight," Nash said. "We were able to push the ball, move it around, get some easy baskets. I think this win gets our confidence back." Spurs 97, Kings 91

Tim Duncan had a seasonhigh 36 points and 21 rebounds as the San Antonio Spurs beat Sacramento 97-91 Thursday night in the Kings' first loss in regulation at Arco Arena this season.

Duncan carried the Spurs through a brutal, full-contact game in which neither team led by more than six points until the closing minutes. Derek Anderson got 15 of his 20 points in the second half as San Antonio held on late for just its second victory in the last six games.

Chris Webber scored 23 points but shot 8-for-25 while playing the second half with his left eye half-swollen shut after being poked by David Robinson. Peja Stojakovic also had 23 points for Sacramento, which missed 14 free throws and moved the ball with none of its usual flair in the second half

Still, Sacramento pulled within 93-91 with 1:16 left on seven straight points by Webber. Duncan hit a short hook shot to put San Antonio up by four, and Webber was called for an offensive foul with 37 seconds left.

Jazz 98, Nuggets 96

John Stockton hit two technical foul shots in the last 1.3 seconds, lifting the Utah Jazz to an odd victory over the Denver Nuggets.

The Nuggets were assessed the first technical for calling timeout when they had none left. After Stockton hit the first shot for a 97-96 lead, Nick Van Exel got another technical for arguing with referee Tony Brothers.

It was a strange finish to a dramatic game. The Jazz rallied twice in the second half to win for the seventh time in the last eight games.

Donyell Marshall led Utah with 24 points while Karl Malone scored 22 and Stockton had 15 points and 10 assists. John Starks and Bryon Russell each added 12 for the Jazz.

Antonio McDyess led Denver with 24 points and 12 rebounds while Voshon Lenard scored 23 and Van Exel had 19, including 10 in the fourth quarter.

The Nuggets have been one of the best teams in the NBA lately, winning 15 of 19 since mid-December, but they knew they'd have to improve their 6-12 road record to be taken seriously.

As it turned out, Denver lost its 10th straight in Salt Lake City and its 28th in the last 30 visits after the Jazz erased a 90-83 deficit midway through the fourth quarter.

Timberwolves 109,

Magic 100

Kevin Garnett's name was well down the list among the Minnesota Timberwolves' scoring leaders for a change.

Timberwolves forward LaPhonso Ellis gets some hang time after missing a dunk.

Yet Garnett was the major reason why the Timberwolves defeated the Orlando Magic for their fifth victory in a row.

Garnett had 16 points, 18 rebounds and was two assists shy of producing his second triple-double of the season.

"I'm doing the little things, like blocking shots, rebounding," Garnett said. "There ain't no 'I' in none of this. Totally team."

Garnett helped the Timberwolves shoot a season-high 54.7 percent (41 for 75) despite making only six of 15 field goal attempts.

"What's happened here, because of KG's unselfish play, is that down the stretch those other guys will have confidence, too," Timberwolves coach Flip Saunders said. "It's nice when your best player has that unselfish attitude."

LaPhonso Ellis came off the bench to score 24 points, and Wally Szczerbiak added 22. Szczerbiak shot 9-for-12 and Ellis was 8-for-14.

Terrell Brandon, who had 18 points and six assists, was 8-for-10, adding another impressive performance during the winning streak. He is averaging 20.8 points and 7.6 assists while shooting 55.9 percent during the past five games.

"There's no reason he couldn't be player of the week, month, whatever it is," Garnett said.

Garnett, though, was the player of this game. Among his highlight film plays was a behind-the-back assist from the low post to Rasho Nesterovic for a dunk.

"He might be the only guy in the league — or one of only one or two — who does not have to score 26, 28 points to dominate a game," Saunders said. "Sometimes when we're asking Kevin to score so much, he wasn't able to do the other things at times. Everything we do, offensively and defensively, is geared off him." Tracy McGrady led the Magic with 28 points. He made only 11 of 29 shots and was just 5-for-12 from the foul line.

Darrell Armstrong added 21 points for the Magic.

The Timberwolves scored 11 points in a row — including five by Szczerbiak — in the first quarter to take a 22-20 lead. The Wolves increased the lead to 53-43 before McGrady started connecting. Held to five points over the game's first 21 minutes, McGrady scored the Magic's next eight points in a stretch of about two minutes.

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Mary Shanley - can we do that again later??

Andrea Louise - what should the next headline be about one of the two coolest (and prettiest) girls on campus??

Eeyore, Piglet and Tigger - get ready for Heartland tonight.

Noreen and Colleen - do you think we'll be lucky enough to have Big Daddy Mac speak with us at our outing this evening?? I sure hope so. "A short, short man."

Chembelles - Friday afternoon is coming - good luck with the comps!

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Illini squeak out 55-51 against Wolverines

Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich Illinois admitted it was lucky to win.

Frank Williams scored 18 points as No. 7 Illinois, after trailing for 33 minutes, rallied down the stretch and beat Michigan 55-51 Thursday

They did all the things you're supposed to do to win a basketball game," Illinois coach Bill Self said. "I just feel very fortunate to get out of here with a win."

Illinois (16-4, 6-1 Big Ten) won its fourth straight game and seventh of eight. The Illini are off to their best start in the conference since the 1983-84 season

Sergio McClain made a 3pointer to give Illinois a 47-44 lead with 3:00 left, which marked its first lead since the opening minutes.

I was just open and you can't be afraid to take those type of shots in these type of situations," McClain said. "I took advantage of it."

Williams followed McClain's

basket up with a layup, which gave the Illini a lead they were able to maintain.

Michigan's LaVell Blanchard scored 26 points after scoring a career-high 30 in the win over No. 21 Iowa on Saturday. Bernard Robinson added 18

"It was a great opportunity, but we let it slip through our hands," Blanchard said.

The Illini played uninspired and seemingly without focus much of the night.

When Michigan led 33-24 early in the second half, Self designed a play during a timeout with 12 seconds on the shot clock.

The Illini never got a shot off or even looked at the bas-

"That's a sign of your guards not being with it," Self said. "We ran the perfect play, but we didn't throw the ball in the post. The ball is in Frank's hand with four seconds left and he throws a skip pass. He hasn't done that all year. That was pitiful execution."

Williams agreed.

"That was my fault," he

Hoyas beat Rebels, face Irish next

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

How deep is Georgetown (No. 11 ESPN/USA Today, No. 10 AP)? Look at birthday boy Wesley Wilson, a reserve center averaging 14 minutes a game, scoring 18 points in Thursday night's 79-62 victory over UNLV.

"You saw how well Wesley can play if the stupid coach gives him some minutes," said Hoyas coach Craig Esherick, whose team has lost just once this season.

Wilson had plenty of incentive against the Rebels. It was his 21st birthday, and he was facing the high school coach who didn't give him much playing time in high school.

The Hoyas needed him, especially on a night when starting guards Demetrius Hunter and Kevin Braswell were both 2-for-9 from the field. Georgetown trailed by 10 after 41/2 minutes and didn't have a field goal until Wilson made three in a row. Wilson, a sophomore who didn't play last year because of academic reasons, made 7 of 11 shots and neutralized UNLV's inside threat, Kaspars Kambala.

After the game, Wilson said all the right things about team play and contributing off the bench, but the modesty did crack when he was asked about the dunk that punctuated his night with 12 seconds to play.

"I did that one for my birthday," Wilson said. Wilson and Braswell played for UNLV interim coach Max Good at Maine Central Institute. Neither started on a team that went undefeated and won the New England Prep School Athletic Conference championship, and Good knew they would be wanting to impress him.

"It's human nature that they wanted to play

well," Good said. "Wesley concentrated hard on academics when he was at our place, but you knew he was going to be a really good player. He had size and he's got strength. He came to the right system."

The Hoyas missed their first seven shots and trailed by 10 points within five minutes, but Wilson started the comeback, and strong offensive rebounding had Georgetown ahead 41-35 at halftime. The Hoyas opened the second half with an 11-3 run, forcing three quick turnovers and holding the Rebels to one field goal over

Georgetown (17-1), playing its last non-conference game of the season, rebounded from its only loss, a 70-66 defeat to Pittsburgh last Saturday. UNLV (11-8), also wrapping up its non-conference schedule, has lost three of four after winning seven straight.

Forward Dalron Johnson led UNLV with 14 points before leaving with a sprained his left ankle midway through the second half.

Lou Kelly and Kambala had 12 points each for

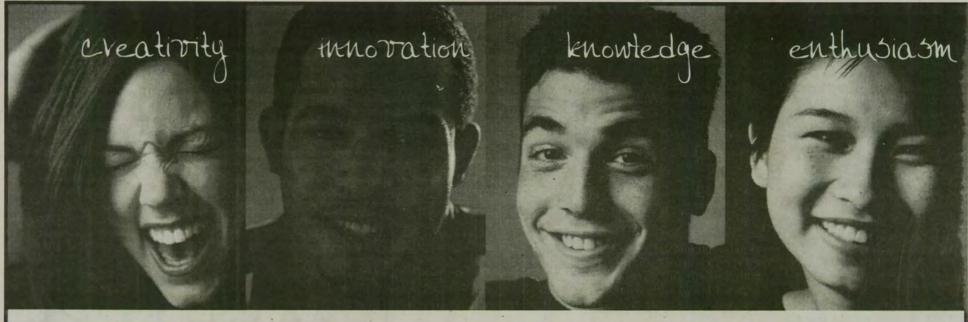
the Rebels, who are 0-3 against ranked teams.

After shooting just 39 percent in a half-court first half, the Hoyas picked up the tempo at both ends and continued to dominate inside. Gerald Riley, Mike Sweetney and Ruben Boumtje Boumtje all scored in the paint at the start of the second half.

The Hoyas led 68-47 before four straight baskets before the Rebels cut the lead to 13 points. But UNLV never got within single figures there-

Nine Hoyas played at least 15 minutes.

"They've got so much depth and power," Good said. "They've got all their bases cov-



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SUPER BOWL XXXV

Breakdown of Giants, Ravens reveals lots of similarities

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla.

Ernie Accorsi, looking smooth in a black turtleneck, chats easily with reporters at Raymond James Stadium, discussing all things Baltimore.

He talks about his stint as a cub reporter for the Baltimore Sun, his five-year term as the Baltimore Colts' public relations director and seven more as the team's assistant general manager and, ultimately, general manager. The fact that he was a consultant for the Baltimorebased movie "Diner," it's a wonder crab cakes don't come up.

Accorsi was there when the Colts were unveiled in 1953.

"It was like going to a college game," Accorsi said. "I think the Colts were the first club to have cheerleaders and organized cheering.

The Colts put Baltimore on the map. It was the first thing that Baltimore really embraced.

It isn't until later — much later - that you realize what was seriously wrong with that picture: Accorsi is the vice president and general manager of the New York Giants, not the Baltimore Ravens. This week in Florida, Accorsi has fielded more questions about Baltimore than the team he guided here to Super Bowl XXXV. It's almost strange that his bio isn't in the Ravens' media guide.

Accorsi didn't make the trip when Colts owner Robert Irsay called for the Mayflower moving vans and sent the team packing to Indianapolis in 1984. In a weird turn of fate, it was Accorsi who literally laid a foundation for the team that would follow the Colts in Baltimore. He was the point man for Maryland Governor Donald Schaefer in the bid for an expansion franchise. In 1993, Accorsi helped sell all 100 skyboxes and 7,500 club seats for the proposed stadium that would become PSINet Stadium

Accorsi is indeed the touch-

that pits his Giants against the Baltimore Ravens. Once again, the teams from New York and Baltimore will collide for the NFL championship, echoing those terrific clashes in 1958 and 1959 (won by the Colts) that helped spark the nation's interest in professional football.

Accorsi's divided sentiments are perfectly appropriate in this ultimate game that blurs the lines between us and them. The Giants and Ravens, in so many respects, are the same team.

Let us count the ways:

The coaches

a lot of ways, they've

overcome a lot this

season."

Jason Sehorn

Giants cornerback

Baltimore's Brian Billick and the Giants' Jim Fassel are best bud-

dies. They both spent "The teams are similar in time at Stanford n embraced the ways of offensive wizard Bill Walsh. They are

glib (some would say arrogant), anal-retentive managers who have made all the right moves this season. "The hardest thing through this, on a personal level, has been not being able to pick up the phone and call Jim, which I normally would in most of my professional situations that have come up,' Billick said. "We have a great deal of respect for each other, enjoy each other's company and that makes this that much more special.'

The owners

The Giants' Wellington Mara, 84, and Baltimore's Art Modell, 75, are two of the few remaining old-school owners. Unlike the Daniel Snyders and Jerry Joneses, the business of their life is football. "We're part of the old guard," Modell said, "and the old guard can now hold meetings in a phone booth."

The re-born quarterbacks.

Both the Giants' Kerry Collins and the Ravens' Trent Dilfer were first-round draft choices in the 1990s and suffered through mediocrity - and much, much worse. Collins played in the 1996 NFC championship game,

stone of this Super Bowl XXXV

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but his life soon fell apart. Dilfer comes to Tampa, where he was 38-38 as a starter, looking for redemption, too. "We have overcome a lot of things," Dilfer said. Now, they must overcome each

Where they came from

The Ravens were 8-8 last season, while the Giants were 7-9 a middling total of 15-17. While some believed Baltimore might contend for a playoff berth, few thought the Giants would be postseason players. Coming into the game, they are a combined 29-8. Parity, as far as these teams are concerned, is a wonderful thing.

Miami linebackers

Apparently, you have to have one to reach this final stage. The Ravens give you Ray Lewis, while the Giants offer Jessie Armstead and Micheal Barrow. Armstead and Lewis had dinner on Jan. 16 in New York after they earned their way to the Super Bowl. "I told Ray before the season that we would meet in Tampa," Armstead said. "He said, 'You were right.' I think it's going to be a great feeling for both of us.'

Hot coordinators

Baltimore defensive coordinator Marvin Lewis will apparently have his choice of the head coaching positions in Buffalo and Cleveland. Bet on Buffalo. Giants offensive coordinator Sean Payton and defensive coordinator John Fox are destined to join Lewis as head coaches in the NFL. The only question is when.

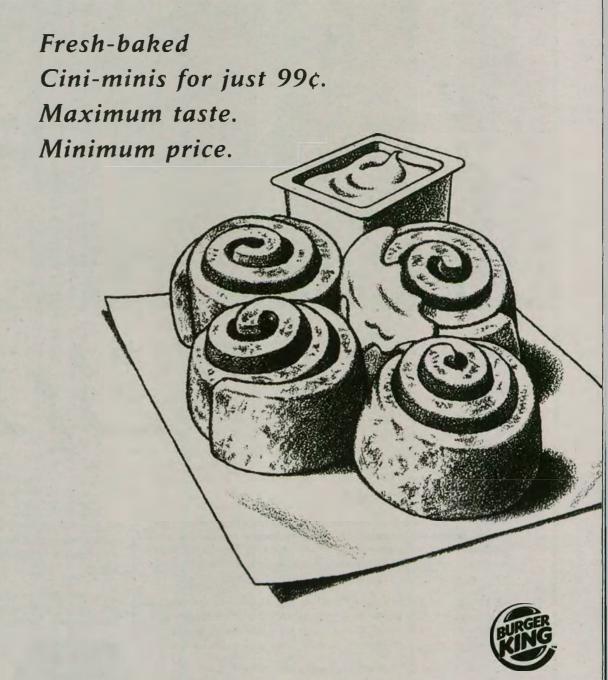
Suffocating run defense

Baltimore is ranked No, 1 against the run — the currency of champions — allowing only 60.6 yards per game. The Giants were No. 2, at 72.3 yards per game. The defenses could outscore the offenses in this one.

The teams are similar in a lot of ways, they've overcome a lot through the season," said Giants cornerback Jason Sehorn. "Both teams struggled in areas. Look at Baltimore, they went a month without a touchdown. We had our own problems. We lost back-to-back games twice. But it's two teams on a roll now. They've won 10 and we've won seven.

For all the criticisms of these two mirror-image teams, they come to this game with nearly unprecedented momentum. The Ravens and Giants have won 17 consecutive games between them, the second-highest Super Bowl total ever, one behind the Dolphins and Redskins of 1973.

Enjoy the game and remember this handy viewing tip: The Ravens are the ones wearing purple and gold.



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HOCKEY

Irish's Harris eager to play in front of hometown crowd

By MATT ORENCHUK Sports Writer.

Everyone can remember a day in their youth when they discovered something they

For Notre Dame's Paul Harris his day was when his discovered hockey for the first time. He was 9-years old when he went to a Yale-Harvard hockey game in New Haven, Conn.

"I discovered hockey at

Yale," Harris said. "I had never been on skates before. My parents took me to the Yale game. The next day my parents went out and bought the skates, and I got my start." h

Ridgefield, Conn. sophomore is thrilled to be traveling to his home state for this weekend's two-game

set with the Yale Bulldogs.
"I am really excited," said
Harris. "All my friends from high school are going to be

Harris and his teammates will have an uphill battle ahead of them. Not only is Notre Dame playing a tough non-conference foe in Yale, the Irish are also coming off their worst performance of the season against Michigan this past Tuesday.

The Irish were drubbed 9-0 against the Wolverines. Notre

Dame played an excellent game last Saturday against Ohio State, fighting for a 2-2 tie. But any momentum the Irish might have gotten from that game was squashed at the hands of Michigan.

The Wolverines got every bounce to go their way and jumped out to a 2-0 lead just three minutes into the game. Michigan then added one more goal at the end of the first to take a 3-0 lead into the first intermission.

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Paul Harris

sophomore defenseman

The second period provided more of the same. Michigan scored 5:27 into the period to up their lead to 4-0. That was when Irish coach Dave Poulin pulled Irish goalie

Kyle Kolquist in favor of junior Jeremiah Kimento.

Kimento wasn't any better, giving up three more goals in the second and two in the third for the final of 9-0. The loss was the worst for Notre Dame since a January 1996 loss to Michigan.

"We competed well against Michigan," said Poulin. "We had a lot of bad bounces, though. One of the goals was a turnover in our own zone, and another bounced off of Kolquist's skate."

Although a 9-0 loss to Michigan doesn't exactly give Notre Dame a lot of confidence, it doesn't hurt them too much.

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An Irish player fights for the puck during a game earlier this season against Boston College. Notre Dame play two games this weekend at Yale.

Notre Dame faces Yale this weekend in a non-conference game, and then doesn't play a CCHA game until it takes on Ohio State next weekend in Columbus.

That is plenty of time for the Irish to regroup. That is why Poulin likes the schedule. His team doesn't have to worry about making the playoffs, or

where they sit in the CCHA. They can go out and play hockey and have fun.

"Michigan was a tough game," said Harris. "We are going to go into [this weekend] with our heads up. We are not worried about rankings; we are just going to play our best

Notic Dame expects Yale to

play a very fast paced game. While Notre Dame plays a big physical game, the Bulldogs have small speedy forwards to play fast paced aggressive hockey.

"They have talented for-wards," said Harris. "They are small and we hope to come out and use our size and strength to beat them.'

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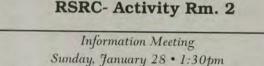
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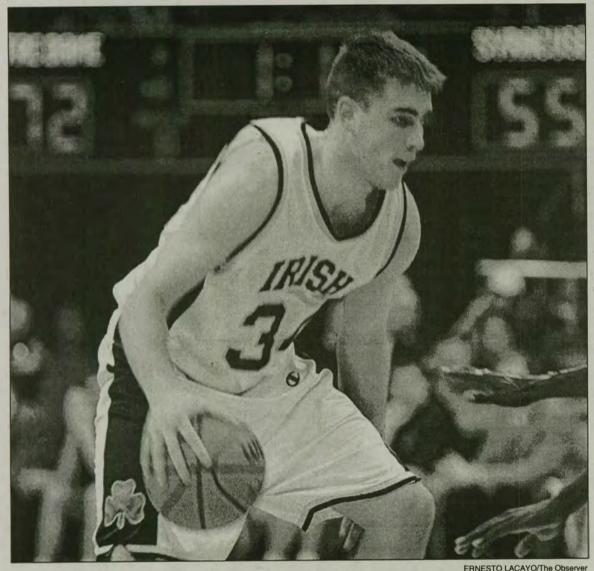
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Forward David Graves dribbles between his legs during the final minutes of Notre Dame's 74-60 win over Syracuse last Tuesday.

B-ball

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it's going to be a big crowd, it's two teams with real good records in the West, two teams that are playing pretty well right now.

Despite the different records, names on the team rosters haven't changed

Everyone who scored for Notre Dame in last year's lopsided win is back, with the energy of Ryan Humphrey injected.

Georgetown's top players from a year ago return, including 7-footer Ruben Boumtje Boumtje, junior guard Kevin Braswell, junior Demetrius Hunter and senior Anthony Perry. But Hoyas' freshmen Mike Sweetney, who averages a team-high 12.2 points and 7.5 rebounds per game, and Gerald Riley, with 9.6 points per game, have shot blood into the Georgetown squad.

"They've got some good freshmen coming in, and they're playing really well

together," said Ingelsby. While both squads are hot, they come into the game with different strengths.

Georgetown doesn't have a single player among the top 20 scorers in the Big East, instead relying on depth, using eight players who score seven points a game or better.

Big East steals leader Braswell is the only Hoya is leads the league in an indi-

vidual category. Dame's Notre Murphy, Humphrey and David Graves all rank among the Big East's top 20 scorers, with Murphy posting a league-high 24 points per game. But after the six "starters," Notre Dame gets

little contribution.

Georgetown's wealth of solid, but not jaw-dropping players, has the Hoyas topping the conference in scoring, winning margin, field goal percent defense, rebounding and steals. Notre Dame is close behind, ranking in the top three in all the above categories except steals, but the Irish do it by having one or two players stand out in most areas.

With Georgetown putting up so many points per game, Notre Dame needs to avoid getting into an up and down race.

"Tempo is going to be really a key," Brey said. "We have to be patient in our half-court offense and not just score on their gambles on defense.'

Georgetown is both high scoring and smothering on defense. But while the Hoyas know how to get things done on offense, defense defines them.

"They come at you for 40 minutes and really pressure you," Ingelsby said. "If we can handle the pressure and get into our half-court offense, we should be all right.

The Irish are just beginning to make defense part of their identity. After losing three of four games in early January, all on the road, they turned the focus from going to the hoop to halting their opponents. It worked like a light switch during the last three home games.

"Our identity is changing a little bit, as far as we've used the phrases dirty work, loose balls, hustle plays," Brey said. "Our guys have come to realize that we need to do a little dirty work to win some games. Our overall presence on the defensive end has become more important.

Notes

◆Saturday's game will be a homecoming for Brey, who is from the Washington, DC area and former assistant coach at DeMatha High School. Several players will also have family in the house. Ingelsby, Matt Carroll and Torrian Jones all hail from the Philadelphia area, and Murphy is a New Jersey native, all four within a several hour drive of Washington.

◆Carroll will get to see his younger brother, Pat, in action on the basketball court. Pat Carroll is a senior on a Hatboro-Horsham basketball team that will take on Bishop O'Connell in the DeMatha Invitational Friday night at the MCI Center. Pat Carroll plans to play for St. Joseph's (Penn.) next year.



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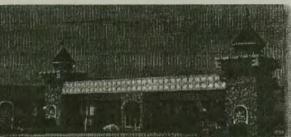




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BASEBALL

Irish sluggers ranked No. 13 in ESPN poll

Mainieri

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame baseball team continues to rack up high rankings in the national preseason polls, as the ESPN

Today USA Baseball Weekly preseason coachpoll has tabbed the Irish 13th in anticipaof the upcoming season.

Paul Mainieri's team previously has been ranked

ninth in the Baseball America preseason poll and 14th by Collegiate Baseball magazine. The Irish return seven experienced position starters and nine of their top-10 hitters from the 2000 squad that posted a 46-18 record and advanced to the NCAA Championship.

Senior shortstop Alec Porzel led the Irish both offensively and defensively last season. Porzel's 58 runs batted in last season led the Irish.

Juniors Steve Stanley and Paul O'Toole are coming off strong summers in the Cape Cod League and look to provide much offensive spark

Center fielder Stanley batted .362 last season with a team-high 29 stolen bases.

O'Toole's offensive numbers stood out for a catcher. The backstop hit .302 with 8 home runs to go along with 16 stolen bases.

Ten pitchers also return from a Notre Dame staff that ranked 16th in the nation with a 3.93 ERA

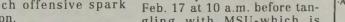
in 2000.

The staff is led by senior Aaron Heilman, who returns to South Bend after being drafted by the Minnesota Twins as a "sandwich pick" last June. The Twins' loss is Notre

Dame's gain as Heilman has posted an impressive 28-7 record to go along with 12 saves during his Notre Dame

Notre Dame is one of two "northern" teams listed among USA Today's preseason top 25, with Nebraska ranked seventh.

Notre Dame opens its 2001 season by returning to the site of its last game in 2000, as the Irish will participate in Bank of the National Classic Commerce Mississippi State's Dudy poll-in a pair of 1 p.m. games on the 17th and 18th.



Noble Field, on Feb. 17-18. Notre Dame will face the University of New Orleans on Feb. 17 at 10 a.m. before tangling with MSU-which is ranked 17th in the USA Today

Women

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19 feet, 4 1/4 inches. By comparison, Williams covered the 60 meter hurdles in 8.95 seconds and long jumped 19-1/2.

"She will provide a good challenge, said Irish head coach Joe Piane. "I'd like to think that on her best day Tameisha is a little better.'

Williams is also competing in the triple jump, where the Irish are

counting on school record holder Jamie Volkmer to beat the Spartans' top ath-lete. Williams jumped 40-8 1/4 last week, as compared to Volkmer's 39-10 3/4 effort.

Volkmer is also entered in the pole vault for the first time since junior Natalie Hallett and freshman Jill VanWeelden broke Volkmer's school record in the pole vault last week.

Volkmer, Hallet, VanWeelden and Bethany Wilson are all entered in tomorrow's com-

Junior Liz Grow, fresh off her NCAA provisional qualifying performance in the 400 meter dash last week, will be running the 60 meter dash and the 200 meter dash

"We're trying to work on her speed a lit-

tle bit this week," said Irish sprints coach John Millar. "She's already provisionally qualified in the 400 meters, so we're trying to qualify her in other events this

Competing alongside Grow in the 200 meter dash are freshman Kristen Dodd and Ayesha Boyd. Both freshmen are coming off strong performances last week Dodd took second in the 60 meter dash and third in the 200 meter dash and Boyd took fifth in the 400 meter dash.

In order to beat the Spartans, Irish coaches feel they need

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Joe Piane

Irish head coach

to focus on getting points in the field events and sprints in order to beat the Spartans. According to Irish coach Joe Piane, Michigan State has an extremely deep and talented distance crew.

The Irish are hoping for strong performances from Leanne Brady in the 800 meters and Megan Johnson and

Chrissy Kuenster in the mile. Kuenster and Jennifer Handley are expected to be competive with Spartan runners in the 3,000 meter run.

"Michigan State has a very strong distance group," said Irish head coach Joe Piane. "We're going to try to break even

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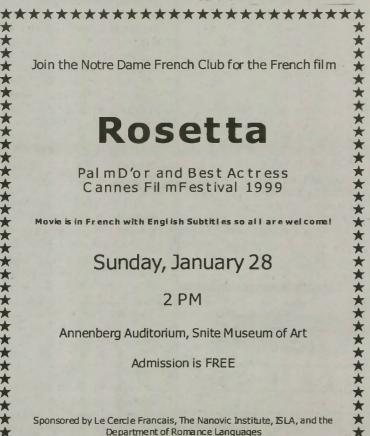
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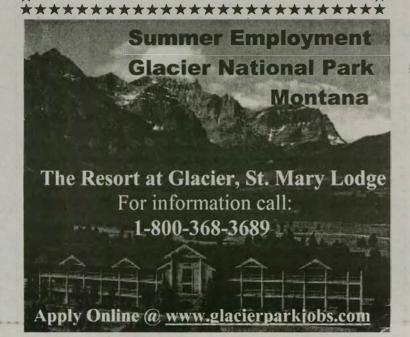
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Men

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place time of 21.74 in the 200 meter dash was more than a second quicker than the 22.76 posted by Michigan State's Terry Jenkins last weekend.

Jenkins should provide a challenge for the Irish in the 60 meter hurdles. His seventh-place time of 8.41 seconds is just ahead of Irish freshman Mark Barber's fourthplace time of 8.58 last week

The high jump proved to be a strong event for the Irish last week as well. Andrew Cooper took second with a career-best leap of 6-9, while Quill Redwine followed Cooper with a jump of 6-

Michigan State junior Jeff Kus placed eighth at the Red Simmons meet with a jump of 6-6.

"I think if our jumpers jump as well as they can, we can take the top two spots in that event," said Winsor of the high jump.

The Irish will be very strong in the middle distance events. Senior Terry Wray and freshman James Bracken N who both broke 50 seconds in the 400 last week N will be joined by senior Travis Davey and junior William "Red"

Croker. Davey, who is nursing a tender hamstring, finished first in the 60 meters last weekend. Croker ran an effective leg in the 4x400 meter relay.

In the 500 meters, sophomore Nick Setta, on loan from the football team, will get a finally get a race. Last week, Setta missed first place in the event by less than .3 seconds while coming out of the slow heat. Setta will be joined in the event by junior Mike Mansour, who took third last week in a time of 1:05.23.

The Irish boast a strong core of distance runners. In the 800 meters, senior Nate Andrulonis finished second in a time of 1 minute, 55.41 seconds. In the mile run, junior Pat Conway broke away from the pack in the final 300 meters to win in a time of

The 3,000 meter event will be strengthened by the return of Ryan Shay, who competed in the mile run last week. Shay qualified for the Olympic Trials last year in the 10,000 meters and is better suited for the longer events.

"If there was a 10,000 meter race indoors, we'd run him in that," said Irish head coach Joe

The meet kicks off at 7 p.m. on the Meyo track.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Belles go for the sweep against Britons

By KATIE McVOY Assistant Sports Editor

If Wednesday night's game read like a book, then the Belles are looking for a new chapter as they face off against the Britons of Albion College Saturday at Angela Athletic

A 64-48 loss to Kalamazoo on Wednesday added yet another loss to an already long losing skid, upping the total to six. The Kalamazoo loss wrapped up the first round of MIAA play that left Saint Mary's with a 1-6 record in the league.

"I think as we start out we want to get off on the right foot," head coach Suzanne Smith said. "Obviously we don't want to fall to the bottom of the conference."

Saturday's game against Albion will hopefully open a new chapter in the MIAA for Saint Mary's. Albion is the only team behind Saint Mary's in the MIAA with an 0-7 record.

The last time these two teams met, the Belles played well, beating the Britons 61-52. That was their last win before this six game losing streak.

"Our defense did a real nice job [against Albion]," Smith said. "They had an outstanding guard and post player that were excellent. Fortunately in that game we had our offense."

The offense the Belles had the last time they played the Britons has been noticeably lacking recently. Saint Mary's has scored an average of 49 points per game in the last six games, a big difference from the 80 point games they had early this season, and even the 61 point game they had the last time Albion was the opponent.



Sophomore guard Shaun Russel drives around a Kalamzoo defender during Saint Mary's 64-48 loss last night.

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Suzanne Smith

Belles head coach

No. 1 on Smith's list.

"We need to get some chemistry together," she said. "I think we need to get some consistency with our players and our rotations so they go in the

game know who they're playing. shouldn't be worried with learning new things, should be fine tuning."

The starting rotation is set, at least until Kristen Matha

recovers from her hip flexor muscle injury. Ann Blair and Kelly Roberts will start off as the post players, joined by Mary Campione, Katie Christiansen and Julie Norman.

Once they are on the floor,

Getting some team spirit is the Belles will look to try to contain Albion with a zone defense that worked well in the teams' last meeting.

"Our zone worked very well against them," Smith said. "We'll go to that."

Except for Matha, the Saint Mary's women have returned to health. With a healthy team and MIAA rankings to look at, the Belles are looking

"I think just because we

for a win.

know we've beaten them before we know what to expect," Smith said. "We think we can

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Irish kick off 2001 Midwest season

"We have to know how

they fence and what to

expect because this is the

region we have to qualify

from for NCAAs"

Natalia Mazur

sophomore sabrewoman

By MIKE CONNOLLY Sports Writer

The Notre Dame fencing team travels to Northwestern this weekend for matches against five Midwest rivals and a chance to size up the competition before the Midwest Regionals in March.

Especially for Midwest Regionals we have to be on our toes," sophomore sabrewoman Natalia Mazur said. "We have to know how they fence and what to expect because this is the region we have to qualify from for NCAAs. We really need to observe them and fence as well as we possibly can."

The men's team won't have a

chance learn much this weekend. The schools they are fencing will provide little challenge to one of the top men's teams in the country. Notre Dame defeated national-title favorite St.

John's last weekend.

"Last week was probably our toughest meet of the year, junior sabreman Gabor Szelle said. "This week we definitely go into this tournament as favorites.'

Most of the top starters for the men's side will take most of the weekend off as reserve fencers will get a chance to fence a few bouts.

"I think we are going to try to put in as many fencers as we can," Szelle said. "Even with the guys who didn't compete last week, we can do well. We don't necessarily need the front runners to beat these

The women, however, will face a stiff challenge from one of their fiercest rivals: the Northwestern Wildcats.

Last year Northwestern beat the women at both the regular season dual meet and the Midwest Fencing Conference Championships.

"I am absolutely looking for revenge," sophomore epeeist Anna Carnick said. "It was a tight match last year. They have a fairly deep team but I think we all know what to expect. We have a lot of new starters who are up for a big weekend.

Before last year, Notre Dame was clearly the top dog in Midwest women's fencing. Northwestern, however, took great pride in knocking the Irish off as its entire team cheered every Wildcat touch in Evansville last year.

Although the meet is in Evansville again this year, Carnick expects lots of Irish support and doesn't anticipate the Wildcat spirit phasing her too much.

were tons of "There Northwestern people cheering but the Notre Dame team does a really good job," the All-American said. "All the fencers and staff and a couple boyfriends and girlfriends who drove down to see us as well. It

just great to hear them and get a lot of support from our

The Irish will need Carnick to resume her All-American form from last year if they hope to regain the top spot in the Midwest. Last week in New York, Carnick stumped to a 4-7 record while recovering from an illness.

"I am still a little shaky but I am feeling more confident," Carnick said "It's a nearby neat and I think the first meet of the season is always a little more intimidating."

Most of the women's team is looking to rebound from last weekend in New York as only four women posted records better than .500 in New York.

"I think we might have to

focus a little more," Mazur said. "I don't think it will be as difficult this weekend. Northwestern will be a tough team though.

"We need to maintain our focus. was the problem last week-

end," Carnick said. "There were some good bouts. I think a lot of the girls fenced well, some girls even had some of their best days of the last two years but we couldn't maintain our focus.

Two freshmen had stellar opening weekends for the Irish, however. Destanie Milo and Jessie Filkins went 7-1 and 7-3 respectively in the sabre

Foil captain Liza Boutsikaris led foilist with a 8-4 record while Meagan Call kept up her All-American form with a 7-4

WOMEN'S TENNIS

No. 13 Irish head to Orlando

By STEVE KEPPEL Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's tennis team travels to Orlando this weekend to participate in the adidas Classic.

h 1 3 t h ranked Irish hope to rebound this weekend after a toss loss to the fourthranked D u k e



Dasso

Bluedevils to open the season on Jan. 21

The match was highlighted by the play of All-American Michelle Dasso, who defeated the No. 2 player in the country - Duke freshman Ansley Cargill. Dasso took down the French and U.S. open participant in two sets 6-2, 6-3.

Other singles winners for the Irish included junior Nina Vaughan and senior Kimberly Guy who won in three sets.

Despite the loss last weekend the Irish women look to have a promising season. The team returns seven of nine monogram winners and only lose one starter from last year's 23-7 team.

Two time all-American and currently third-ranked singles player Dasso looks to taking up right where she left off last fall.

The fall results definitely help my confidence going into January because I'm much more prepared and healthier than last year, said Dasso. "I feel like whoever we play in dual matches, I'll be able to beat at No. 1 singles,"

"We had a good season last year and with most peo-

ple returning and three freshman, hopefully we'll be able to progress and pick up where we left off last year, head coach Jay Louderback said.

Louderback, who is in his coaching year women's tennis, has lead the Irish to five NCAA appearances and has coached four all-Americans in his time at Notre Dame. Louderback will look to improve his record even more this season as he returns with a very competitive team.

"It has been exciting to have All-Americans and make the NCAA tournament," says Louderback, who is entering his ninth season in charge of the Irish program. "I'd like to see the program continue improve and to be competitive in NCAA play.

Returning to the singles lineup for the Irish are juniors Lindsay Green, Nina Vaughan and Becky Varnum as well as promising freshman Caylan Leslie.

Leslie, who was highly recruited out of high school in California, had a great fall season and is expected to contribute quite a lot to the team.

Leslie is joined by Emily Neighbours and Alicia Salas, two other talented freshman who made waves this fall by playing surprisingly well despite their inexperience. Salas and Neighbours hope to help the team out by grabbing some wins whenever they get the chance.

We are really excited about all three freshmen,' said coach Louderback. "We are figuring that at least one will be playing doubles and they'll have a shot in singles as well. All three will get even better and be very good for us for the next four

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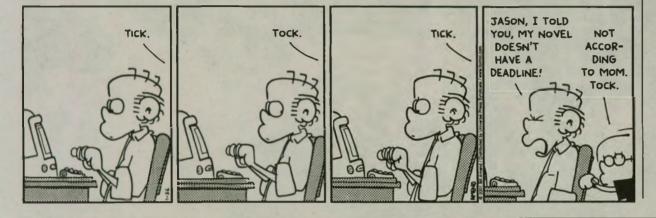
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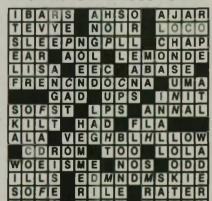
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you want to get ahead. Believe in yourself and so will others. OOO VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Words of love will be dancing through your head. Get out with that special person in your life.

You need to spend time enjoying the finer things in life. OOOO LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Uncertainties on the home front should not be cause for alarm. A move is evident, and the prob-lems that exist will be eliminated. Just bide your time and let things unfold as they may. **9000** SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):

Clear up that overdue correspondence. Don't get intimate with colleagues or involved in gossip at work. Pleasure trips will break your budget. Be prepared to make cutbacks. OO SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21): You would be wise not to be tempted to take part in joint financial ventures. You may have difficulties with your stomach if you overindulge or eat spicy foods. OOO

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your emotions are likely to take over today. It is best to work by yourself. Don't let anyone goad you into a debate. You realneed your peace and quiet. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

help ensure that your family will spend more time together. OOO PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your need to interact with others can be satisfied if you sign up to help worthy organizations. You have a knack for putting things together well, and for paying close attention to small but im-portant details. Your services will be valued. **900**

Making changes to your home, particularly in your rec room or nome-entertainment center, will

Birthday Baby: You have a fascinating way of looking at life. You are ingenious, outgoing and forever trying to help others. You have a great desire to do something worthwhile.

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Being back to school already got you down?

SUB movies will help get your mind off the

books this weekend!

Meet the Parents in 101 DeBartolo tonight and tomorrow night. Come on over to 155 DeBartolo for The Wall this Friday night. And make sure you come see Tommy on Saturday night. Movie times 8:00 & 10:30 on Friday and Saturday.



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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Surging Notre Dame set to play in George's town

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN Associate Sports Editor

The last time the Irish played in the MCI Center, it was Senior Day 2000, and the Irish humiliated the Hoyas on their homecourt 77-54. Everything went right from the Irish, from 54 percent shooting to a 51-29 advantage on the boards.

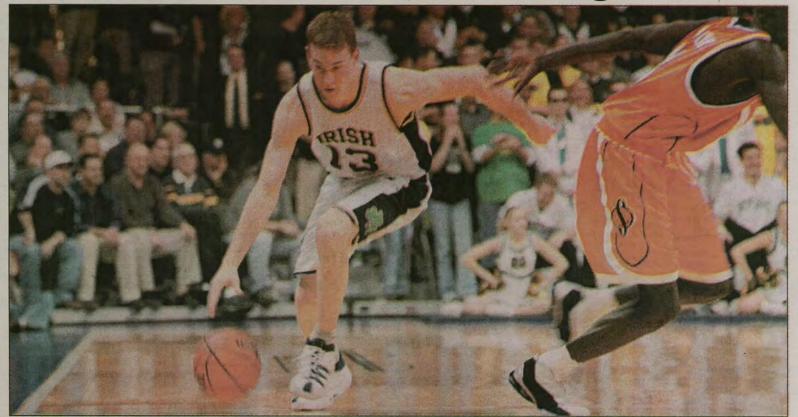
Nobody's expecting Saturday's rematch to be as one-sided.

"We know because of what happened last year," said senior point guard Martin Ingelsby, "that it's going to be a big battle going down

Flash back to March 4,

A season ago, a Matt Doherty-coached Irish squad had their backs against the wall after a twopoint loss to Syracuse, and they were anxious to bolster fading hopes of March Madness by beating Georgetown. The Irish found a hobbling Hoyas team with low morale playing in front of a half-empty MCI Center, and the Hoyas quickly folded before Notre Dame's balanced attack.

Fast forward to late January 2001.



Notre Dame guard Matt Carroll dribbles past a Syracuse defender during Tuesday night's victory. The Irish travel to Georgetown to play the No. 11 Hoyas on Sunday

No. 10 Georgetown (17-1, 5-1 Big East) is on top of the West Division in the Big East, the only blemish on its season a 70-66 loss to Pittsburgh. Notre Dame (12-5, 4-2) is surging on a

three-game winning streak capped off by a 14-point victory over No. 11 Syracuse.

The Hoyas are coming off of a 79-62 victory over UNLV Thursday night. Reserve center Wesley his 21st birthday to lead the Georgetown attack.

"The state of both programs since last year's game is very different," Notre Dame coach Mike

Wilson scored 18 points on Brey said Thursday. "All of a sudden, we're going to have a sellout; it's for a share of first place. I think our team is excited because

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MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Spartans vault into Loftus to take on Irish track team

By NOAH AMSTADTER Assistant Sports Editor

Looking to remain undefeated, the Irish men's track and field team takes to the track for the second time this season when they host Michigan State tonight at Loftus.

The Irish are coming off a commanding victory over Western Michigan and Ball State last Friday night.

The Spartans, meanwhile, travel down from East Lansing on the heels of a strong showing at the Red Simmons Invitational in Ann Arbor last weekend.

"Michigan State is a Big Ten school, so naturally they have some great athletes," said sprints coach John Millar.

Pole vaulter Paul Terek heads a strong Spartan attack. The senior came back from a redshirt year in style in Ann Arbor, breaking his school record with an NCAA provisionally qualifying vault of 17-feet, 8 inches.

The strong Spartan pole vault attack does not end with Terek. Classmate Matt Deering finished second to Terek last weekend with a personal-best vault of 17-feet.

Irish vaulters Nathan Cahill and Josh Heck, who vaulted 15-6 and 15 feet last Friday, will have their hands full.

"I don't know that our guys can catch them," said jumps coach Scott Winsor. "We might need to make up those points in other areas."

Where the Irish should hold a strong advantage is in the sprints. Sophomore Tom Gilbert is coming off a dominating performance in last week's meet. Gilbert's first-

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WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Head-to-head matchups crucial to Irish victory

By ANDREW SOUKUP Sports Writer

Sure, Notre Dame sprinter Tameisha King has a ton of talent. But so far this season, the sophomore All-American has yet to com-

pete against someone as good Michigan as State's Sherita Williams.

When the Spartans enter the Loftus Sports Complex today to take on the Irish, King and the rest of the Irish will

face an early-season test to show how well they can compete against high level competition.

At last week's triangular meet against Western Michigan and Ball State, King cruised to wins in the 60 meter dash, the 60 meter hurdles and the long jump. Her closest competition came from teammate Kristen Dodd, who was only three-hundreths of a second behind King in he 60 meter dash.

But Williams also had a strong showing last week. At the six-team Red Simmons Invitational, the sophomore collected a pair of wins in the long jump and triple jump and added a third place finish in the 60 meter dash.

The two athletes have comparable performances this season. King, who will be competing against Williams in the 60 meter hurdles and the long jump, sprinted 8.63 in the hurdles and jumped

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SPORTS



Gilbert

Women's Swimming vs. Michigan Today, 4 p.m.

Men's Swimming

Today, 4 p.m.

Wisconsin-Milwaukee



Track and Field vs. Michigan State Today, 6 p.m.

at addidas Classic

Today - Sunday



vs. Yale Saturday, 4 p.m.

King



at Ohio State Saturday, 6 p.m.



at Georgetown Sunday, noon