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ND welcomes stories of Cabrini Green

By MARIBEL MOREY
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The invisible bubble that provides comfort, safety and a homogeneous culture at Notre Dame has no creator, but its presence is still visible. Students stroll down campus at two in the morning without the impending fear of robbery — or of being shot at 20 times simply because of their dorm or their major.

The three former gang members and Father Bill Tomes who shared their experience with students at the CSC on Sunday afternoon have a different bubble in their inner-city Chicago neighborhood.

"It's like having a wall around [Cabrini Green]. There's an invisible wall and nobody comes in," said Tomes.

These men are specifically from Cabrini Green, a housing project that accommodates generations after generations of impoverished families and is infamous for its gunfights. The three joined different gangs in their early teens.

"We are gangster disciples. We had to shoot to get in and shoot to get out," said Darryl, a former gang member. "Some days we couldn't get to school."

Cabrini Green seems to reach the sky in a myriad of dark floors, abandoned and wired public housing where people live in constant fear of violence.

Upon graduating from the University of Notre Dame, Tomes began his mission to help end conflict in the Cabrini Green neighborhood.

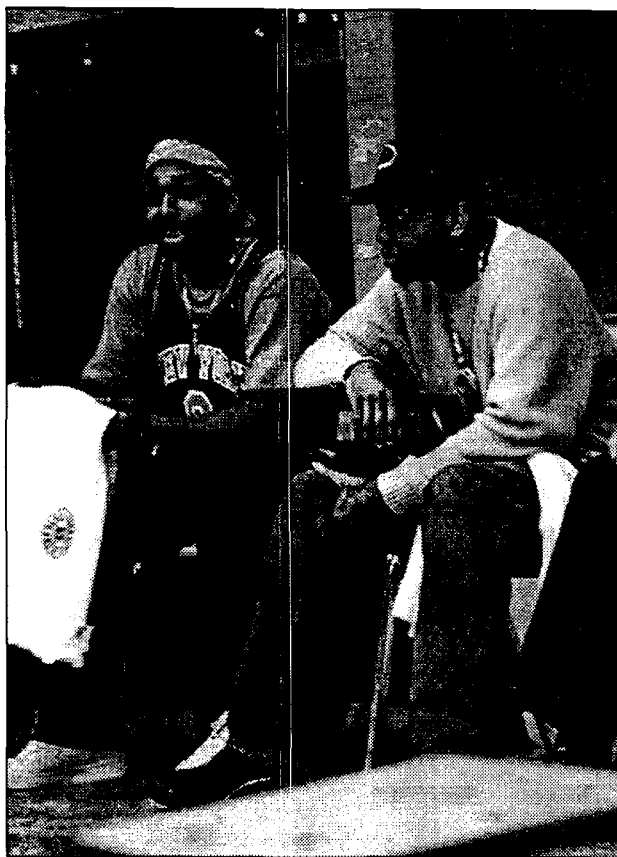
"I had a calling in [the Basilica] to work with people in conflict," said Tomes.

The conflict between gangs in Cabrini Green has no definite creator, but the gunfights continue to defend territory, drugs and money among gangs. "Nobody's responsible for the gangs. A gang is just based on groups where one group does not like you," said Greg.

The most popular groups are the Black Stones, KC, the Vice Lords and the Gangs of Disciples.

"The purpose of the gang is for the protection of your neighborhood. They come in and shoot—they don't care who they're shooting at. It could be your mother or your sister," said Tron, a current gang member. "It's all about territory and drugs."

Tron, unlike the other two former gang members, has three brothers in other gangs. "All four of us are in three different gangs. They're just my little brothers — I don't look at them as Vice Lords or Gangs of Disciples," he said while lowering his head and fid-



ELIZABETH LANG/The Observer

Former gang members from Chicago visited the Center for Social Concerns Sunday to discuss the dangers of life in a gang.

getting with a Notre Dame basketball poster.

All living together, these four brothers might sit down for dinner, but they might face each other in gang conflicts. Greg, a former gang member, interjects, "but blood is thicker than water."

Tron, Greg and Darryl did not purposefully join gangs to be a menace to society, they said.

"I was accidentally shot so I went out for revenge," said Greg. School was also difficult for him because the schools were mixed with different gangs. There were two lunchrooms — one side for the opposition. "I was glad for the day to end and to be able to talk about it," he said.

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Students organize 'Vagina' readings

Observer Staff Report

Following College president Marilou Eldred's announcement that student organizations could not officially sponsor a reading of *The Vagina Monologues* on campus, groups of students have been banding together to read the play on their own.

One student reading of the controversial play will be held tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the Regina Dance Studio, *The Observer* learned Sunday evening. While the students who are doing the dramatic reading declined comment, several students on campus had learned of the reading late Sunday night.

Twelve LeMans residents gathered in the Tower Room Sunday evening to read the play, said Le Mans resident assistant Sarah Chaudoir.

"We thought it was an important piece to be read," Chaudoir said. "[The reading] was to eliminate some of the mystery."

College administrators prevented the play from being officially sponsored by any campus groups in late January, when College president Marilou Eldred told student organizers she would not allow the play on campus this year. The play first was performed at Saint Mary's last February, and drew two sold-out performances in Carroll Auditorium.

Eldred's decision to cancel the play was based in the concern that it would draw more controversy than healthy discussion after members of the Parents Council, alumnae and the Board of Trustees expressed discontent with the play's purpose. The issues of lesbianism and explicit discussion of sexuality have caused some members of the Saint Mary's community to question its appropriateness for a Catholic campus. Since the decision, students have arranged a speak-out on the issue and protested with a sit-in in front of Eldred's office.

The nationally acclaimed play, currently playing off-Broadway, is authored by Eve Ensler and addresses issues of women's sexuality. In particular, the movement to perform the *Monologues* on college campuses is part of an effort that began three years ago to stop violence against women.

Several public and private colleges and universi-

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Judicial Council revisions result in election improvements

By ERIN LaRUFFA
News Writer

Following months of working to reform campus election bylaws, the Judicial Council pulled off a feat it could not accomplish last year: an almost flawless election of Notre Dame's next student body president and vice president.

"We knew going in that we wanted to make sure we were very disciplined this year," said Judicial Council president Tony Wagner.

To improve the election process, Wagner and John Bauters, Judicial Council vice president in charge of elections, had several meetings with the Student Senate's over-

sight committee in order to rewrite certain campaign bylaws. The full senate then had to approve those changes.

"In the past, there wasn't much communication between the Senate and Judicial Council," said Bauters. "We had a lot of success, and I'm very happy with the changes we made with the Senate."

One new rule requires candidates to get 300 students to sign a petition before entering the race. In past elections, candidates needed only 150 signatures.

"By increasing the number of signatures from 150 to 300, we reduced the number of spontaneous candidates," Bauters said. "It made candidates a little more responsible for their decision to run."

Under the new rules, tickets were allowed to begin campaigning as soon as they turned in their petition and had it verified. Previously, can-

didates turned their petitions in, but had to wait until midnight of a set day when all candidates began campaigning at once.

The reason for this change, according to student body president-elect Brooke Norton, was that candidates struggled with the distinction between what was and was not acceptable for them to do in the interim period between

turning in a petition and starting the campaign.

"Deciding what's campaigning and what's not is a very hard thing," said Norton, currently serving as student body vice president.

"We knew going in that we wanted to make sure we were very disciplined this year."

Tony Wagner
Judicial Council president

Norton has firsthand experience of the dilemma candidates faced under the old rules.

While running for student body vice president, Norton and presidential running mate Brian O'Donoghue appeared

on a WVFI broadcast together before the start of the official campaign period. The two thought that being interviewed on the radio was identical to being interviewed by *The Observer* and *Scholastic* magazine, two media sources the rules allowed tickets to talk to before the official campaign, according to Norton.

However, she and O'Donoghue later decided appearing on the radio may have been a campaign violation, and so O'Donoghue made the Judicial Council aware of their appearance. The Election Committee of the Judicial Council decided to suspend O'Donoghue and Norton from campaigning for two days.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Voting for no one

As a lifetime resident of Palm Beach County, I consider myself an expert on ballots and elections in general. By unofficial count, there are about two dozen of us from Palm Beach County currently on campus, but even if all of us managed to vote incorrectly (and I'm marginally sure I did it right), that doesn't come close to explaining why 55 people on this campus didn't vote correctly in Thursday's student body election.

For starters, 27 people abstained from voting in this election. That's right. 27. There are 27 people on this campus who went to the trouble of showing their ID to an election official, taking a ballot, and then deciding to return it empty. Think about it. There are 27 people at this University (11 in Dillon alone) who, when reflecting back upon Election Day, will proudly say to themselves, "I put a blank ballot into a ballot box, and therefore, I deliberately voted for no one."

I'm guessing a handful of them were making a silent political protest, assuming that in the midst of counting the ballots, one election official would scream, "Mother of God, someone turned in a blank ballot! We need to reform our ways!" and then proceed to leap out a window.

Of even more concern are the 28 people on this campus who turned in invalid ballots. This number doesn't include the relatively small number of write-in ballots — that is, those students felt too confined by the given choices, and therefore opted to write in the name of a cherished childhood pet. I don't even know how it's possible for someone to turn in an invalid ballot. An abstention, I can sort of understand, like maybe in all the excitement of voting, people just forgot to mark their candidate, or maybe their dorm's judicial board failed to provide adequate writing utensils. An invalid ballot in a runoff election, though, is pretty unsettling.

For the 4,000 of you who didn't vote, let me briefly describe the ballot in question. It was small, blue, and featured two sets of names, each accompanied by a line wherein voters were expected to make an identifying mark indicating which of the two sets of names they preferred. Twenty-eight people failed to do this correctly. Twenty-eight of our classmates mangled the voting process so horrifically that their ballot couldn't even be considered an abstention.

I'm venturing a guess that some of these people didn't want to hurt either candidate's feelings and thus attempted to vote for everyone, though no rational explanation can justify voting for both parties in an election with only two candidates. At least the abstainers didn't waste any ink (unless they wrote, "I am leaving this blank in a silent political protest.") Voting for both people is something Archie Andrews does when he can't decide between Betty and Veronica for Miss Riverdale. Voting for both people shouldn't be happening at the university level.

So, for the 55 of you who either forgot to mark down a selection or are too polite to participate in democracy, take solace in the fact that you at least tried to vote, and that's all that matters. Four thousand students didn't vote at all, and in the long run, that's what worries me the most.

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



Finn Pressly

Senior Staff Writer

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
◆ Lecture: "Family, Faith and Organization in the Homeschooling Movement," Mitchell Stevens, Associate Professor of Sociology, Hamilton College, Room 119, O'Shaughnessy Hall, noon	◆ Roundtable discussion: "Universalism and its Others," Naomi Schor, Professor of French, Yale University, faculty and graduate students included, Auditorium, McKenna Hall, 10 a.m.	◆ Theatre: "The Winter's Tale," by William Shakespeare, performed by actors from The London Stage, contact LaFortune Box Office, Washington Hall, 7:30 p.m.	◆ Discussion group: "Academic and Athletic Excellence: Forging a New Future for Intercollegiate Athletics," Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C., University president, Monogram Room, Joyce Center, 8 p.m.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

U. Virginia fraternity plans to go alcohol-free

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. About 35 University of Virginia men were selected last week to recolonize Phi Delta Theta fraternity, the first fraternity on Grounds to have alcohol-free housing. Although the new Phi Delta chapter is breaking the tradition of frat parties at the University, it is part of a nationwide trend in which fraternities are "going dry."

The University's Phi Delta Theta chapter lost its charter last summer after allegedly refusing to adopt the national dry policy. Phi Delta's national policy states that all chapter facilities must be alcohol free.

The old Phi Delta brothers continued as a fraternity after losing their charter and changed their name to Phi Delta Alpha.

"We did everything we could to



compromise" with nationals, said Phi Delta Alpha President Rob Abendroth.

But the two groups could not reach a compromise, and the original Phi Delta Theta members broke off from their national organization.

"We felt, as the alumni did, that if you are 21 and want to drink responsibly, you should be able to do so in your own home," Abendroth said.

Several prospective members of the new Phi Delta Theta, who do not have a house, said they cannot comment until they officially become a fraternal colony, which may happen within a

week.

Among fraternities at the University, the national organizers of Phi Kappa Sigma and Delta Sigma Phi adopted alcohol-free policies in July and December, respectively. Theta Chi expects to go dry nationally by 2003 and Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) will recolonize as an alcohol-free house in the 2002-2003 school year.

About 1,500 of 5,300 houses in the North American Interfraternity Conference, an umbrella organization for 68 fraternities nationwide, have gone dry. Only 300 had gone dry a few years ago, The Washington Post reported in December.

Fraternities adopting alcohol-free policies is a "trend we've seen increasing," Inter-Fraternity Council president Justin Saunders said.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Atty. gen. denies murder claims

HANOVER, N.H.

The state attorney general's office Friday afternoon denied claims that the murders of Susanne and Half Zantops resulted from an affair Half Zantop had with an unidentified woman. Under the headline, "Love affair eyed in N.H. killings," the Boston Globe Friday reported, "Investigators believe the killings of Dartmouth College professors Half and Susanne Zantop were crimes of passion, most likely resulting from an adulterous love affair involving Half Zantop." However, in the press release Friday, New Hampshire Attorney General Philip McLaughlin said, "Investigators do not hold the belief attributed to them in the Globe story." The Globe attributed the information to anonymous "authorities close to the case." In response to this, McLaughlin said, "No responsible and knowledgeable law enforcement official would provide the Globe with the information it attributed to official anonymous sources." In response, Globe Editor Matthew Storin told The Dartmouth, "We're very comfortable with our story... We stand by our story."

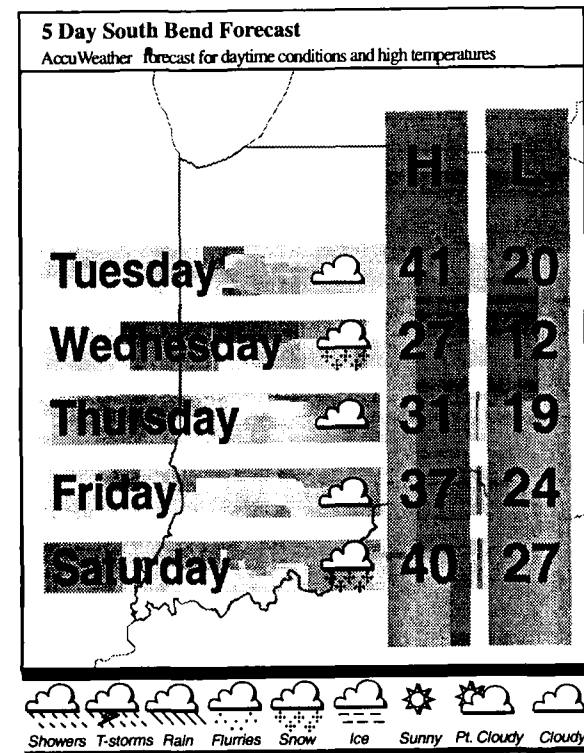
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Legislation limits women at frats

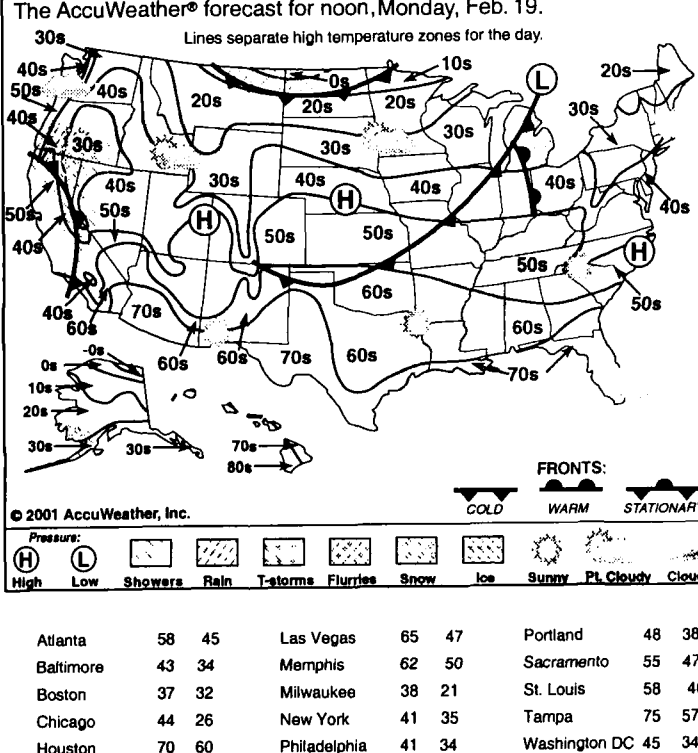
CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

In a move the University of Illinois Panhellenic Council believes will further ensure the protection of sorority members and reduce liability, the council passed legislation earlier this month known as the "Alcohol Free Resolution," which will take effect at the beginning of the fall 2001 semester. The new legislation includes a clause restricting the number of sorority members who may attend a social event at a fraternity house where alcohol is present. The resolution allows for only one-third of the sorority chapter membership to attend fraternity events at fraternity houses. Laura Kuhn, junior in communications and vice president of public relations for the Panhellenic Council, said the new resolution is an extension of "Alcohol Free 2000," an act that prohibited sororities from co-sponsoring events at fraternity houses when alcohol is present. Kolusis guidelines, which regulate the activities attended by fraternity and sorority members, already have in place rules outlining how events are to be run and classified.

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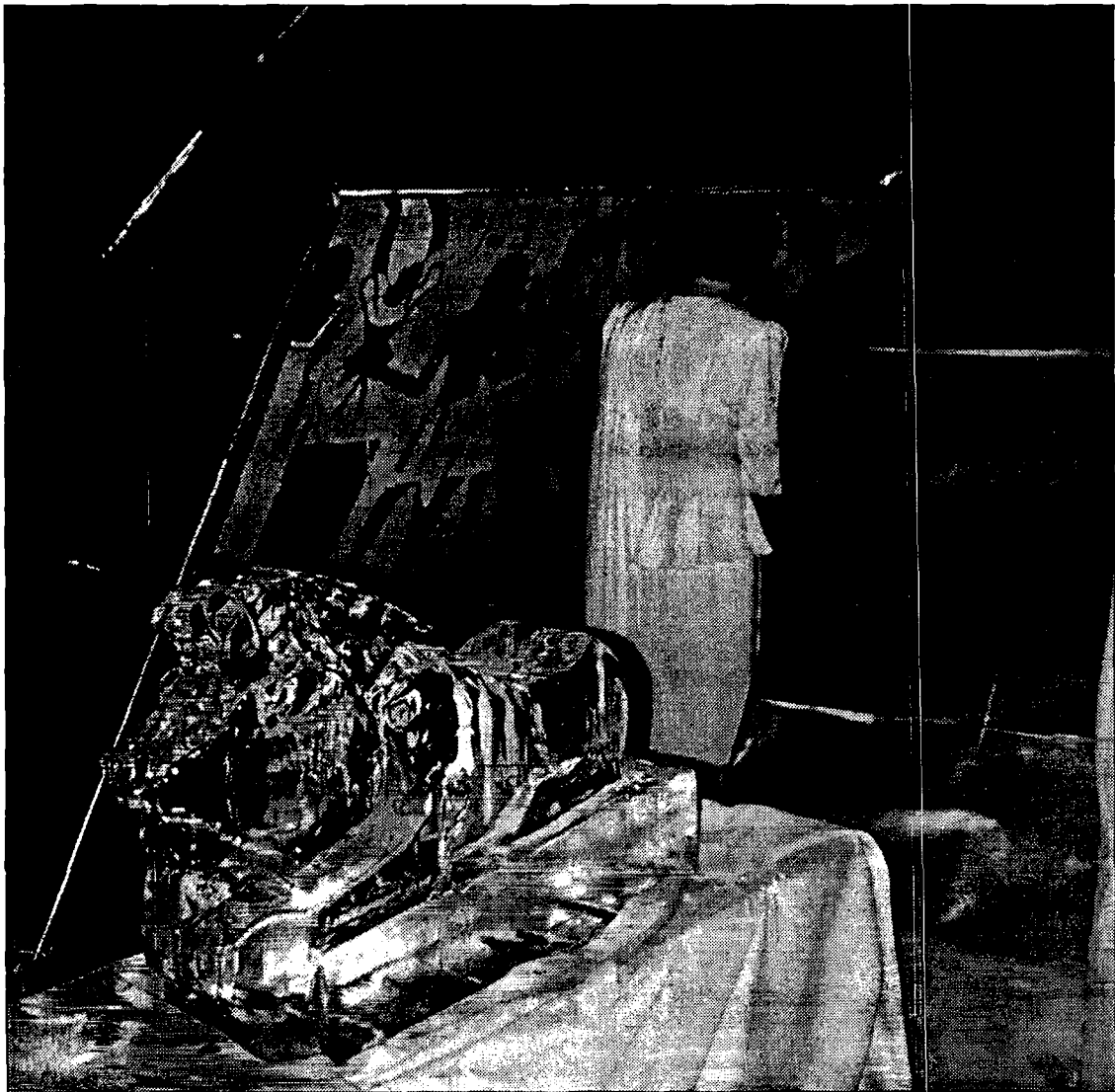


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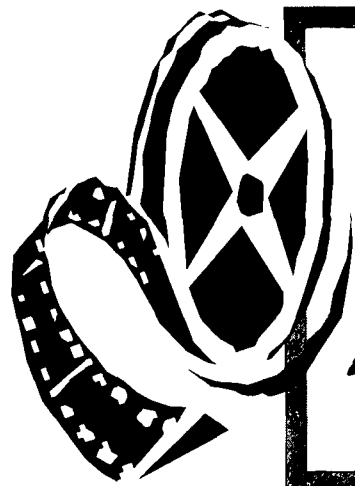
FOOTPRINTS IN TIME



ELIZABETH LANG/The Observer

Students and parents participating in Notre Dame's Junior Parents Weekend enjoyed a variety of food and decorations at Friday night's Gala at the Joyce Center's south dome featuring foods from around the world. JPW participants pictured above stood within a golden pyramid near Egyptian cookies and breads.

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Young's second lecture discusses violence

♦ Saint Mary's hosts political philosopher as part of series

By KATIE McVOY
News Writer

In a colloquium co-sponsored by the Notre Dame government department and the Saint Mary's philosophy department, political philosopher Iris Marion Young said that power and violence are opposed to each other. Young based her discussion on a paper she wrote discussing an essay by Hannah Arendt on the nature of violence and power.

"Power requires communication. Violence is mute," Young said.

Young discussed that the commonly held idea of power, command and obedience is not really power. True power requires the consent of the people. Violence, on the other hand, usually weakens the true consent of the people.

"The use of violence in politics always endangers power," Young said.

Young used the background on power and violence lay down by Arendt to criticize official violence — "the use of violence by states in the name of carrying out their duties as states," according to Arendt.

"It is common to believe that the use of violence for

the duties of the state is acceptable," Young said. "I challenge this."

Young encouraged a retrospective analysis of the use of official violence. She held that the only way to decide whether a violent act was justified was to look at its consequences.

Violence must be justified case by case through appeals to their consequences — prevention of a greater harm. Young said the effects of the violence must be "immediate and contained."

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Iris Marion Young
political philosopher

Young said that the belief exists that police forces can exercise violence

at their discretion.

"I believe this belief is dangerous,"

said Young.

Young also criticized the use of military force for the preservation of human rights. Again, she believed the acts of violence caused by the military in these cases are not justified by default, but need to be examined on a case by case basis.

Following this background, the colloquium was opened for discussion. Young came to Saint Mary's as part of the Women in the Philosophical Landscape Lecture Series. She also spoke Thursday night in Stapleton Lounge on self-sufficiency, autonomy, and welfare justice.

She is a professor of political science at the University of Chicago and studies public policy and feminist social thought.

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However, on appeal the Student Senate reduced the penalty to one day.

Allowing candidates to begin campaigning as soon as they turned in their petition also meant that the campaign period increased from 10 days to three weeks. Norton said she is unsure if the three-week period represented an improvement.

"I would like to research whether it was better for the student body to have the longer campaign," Norton said, adding that she feared students felt "saturated" with posters.

"Students aren't paying attention three weeks before the election. They just don't care," said Ryan Becker, who lost to Norton in the runoff election last Thursday.

Student government may look into shortening the campaign to two weeks, according to Norton, a length Becker also recommended.

One significant improvement under the new rules, according to Bauters, was the newly created Executive Committee to oversee violations hearings. The full Election Committee, made up of one representative from each residence hall, elected four of its members to serve on the Executive Committee. Bauters and Wagner then appointed two additional council members to the committee.

Committee members — Anne Traynor of Cavanaugh, Son Nguyen of Carroll, Paul Ybarra of Dillon, Michelle Bottitta of Farley, Alyse Latour of Pangborn and Eric Hedin of Stanford—never actually had to hold a violations hearing this year, but Bauters said he was able to delegate other election responsibilities to the six committee members. For example, one member was responsible for voting by students studying abroad, while others organized the debates.

"Tony and I are very grateful for their hard work and commitment," said Bauters, adding that another student, Carolyn Allen, volunteered to help the committee and also played an important role in its functions.

One minor drawback of not having any campaign violations was that the Judicial Council was not able to determine the effectiveness of the new hearing structure centered on the Executive Committee, Wagner said. However, he is confident that the system would have functioned well.

"We have a lot of faith that it will work in the long run," he said.

Another improved rule was the one allowing candidates to campaign on election day, according to Norton. In previous elections, she said, not being allowed to do created a problem because candidates could get in trouble even if their supporters campaigned for them.

Candidates and their supporters were also allowed to use e-mail, a previously forbidden campaign tool.

In fact, last year the Election Committee forfeited the ticket of Hunt Hanover and John Micek during the runoff election after Hanover sent e-mails to students in Alumni and Breen-Phillips Halls.

Beyond changes in campaign and election procedures, a combination of factors made this election run better than last year's, according to the people involved in the election.

"Overall, I think it was very successful. I'm not sure how much I would attribute that to the rules changes alone," Wagner said. "A lot of credit goes to John and the Election Committee."

Norton and Becker similarly praised Bauters and the Judicial Council for making the election run smoothly.

"I think the Judicial Council did a better job this year. I think they did a flawless job," said Becker. He especially credited Bauters for always being available to help candidates.

During the campaign, Bauters held daily office hours and told candidates they could call him in his dorm room between 7 a.m. and 2 a.m.

"One of the candidates

loved to call me at 1:30 in the morning. After 2, he would leave me silent messages. I would have five voice mails when I woke up in the morning," said Bauters, who gave a great deal of credit to the dedication and caliber of the candidates themselves.

"I think the changes were the candidates. The candidates this year were just superior this year to anything Notre Dame has ever had," Bauters said.

Similarly, Wagner said that the lack of violations was at least in part a tribute to the candidates.

"All six tickets were very conscientious, very honest, very kind to each other. That

set the tone for how the election went," Wagner said.

Although the election went well this year, Bauters wonders if most students even noticed.

"Last year, everyone made a big stink ... because it was such a mess," Bauters said, adding that many students expressed the opinion that student government was "terrible" after last year's election.

"This year it went well and no one recognized that student government worked this year," Bauters added.

While he said the election was significantly better than last year, Bauters believes the Judicial Council should consider altering certain rules.

Bauters does not plan to push for any other rules changes during the rest of his time in his current position. Before leaving office on April 1, Bauters also has

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Ryan Becker
former presidential candidate

to oversee other elections, such as for class officers, and so will not have time to push for other changes. He will, however, write a transitional report to whomever takes over his position, though he does not know exactly what that report will contain.

"There are still changes that need to be made," he said. "The rule on hall and club endorsements needs to be reconsidered. I don't think we should censor dorms and clubs."

Currently, although campus news media can endorse candidates, other student organizations or residence halls cannot. Bauters added that the campus media does not always realize how they can harm candidates. In particular, he mentioned one article in The Observer that some candidates felt unfairly portrayed them either as feminists or as less capable of addressing female issues on campus.

One potential problem in this year's election occurred when candidate Demetra Smith, who finished third in the primary debate, decided to endorse the ticket of Norton and Brian Moscona in the runoff election with Becker and his running

mate Nikki McCord.

"There was some confusion about it because we weren't sure of the process," Smith said. She talked to both Wagner and Bauters to make sure it was okay for her to make the endorsement.

Bauters said he was concerned Smith did not understand the "potential political risk to her" in making the endorsement. If Becker and running mate Nikki McCord were disqualified from the runoff election, then the next highest primary vote getters — Smith and her running mate Andre Yogeld — would have been in the runoff against Norton and Brian Moscona.

In other words, Bauters said, Smith would have been running against a candidate she endorsed. However, he added that no rule prevented Smith from making an endorsement.

Smith's endorsement first appeared on the Web site www.ndtoday.com. Other candidates who did not make the runoff, were upset because they felt they did not have the opportunity to make an endorsement. However, Becker said he doubts such endorsements would have effected the result of the runoff vote.

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Australia's Labor party posts gains:

Australia's conservative government was shaken Sunday by a disastrous defeat in a key state election as many of its supporters flocked to a right-wing, anti-immigrant party. The opposition Labor Party, which won overwhelmingly in the Queensland state elections on Saturday, was favored to repeat its victory in federal elections expected by November.

Cuba criticizes Iraq air strikes:

Cuba blasted the "Yankee-British" air attack against Iraq as a "criminal" act Saturday, and one newspaper in the country depicted President Bush as a gunslinging cowboy. "I just killed my first civilians in Iraq. Now I feel like a president!" read a front-page cartoon in Juventud Rebelde, Cuba's communist youth newspaper.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Roger Clinton arrested for DUI:

Roger Clinton, the younger half-brother of former President Clinton, was arrested for investigation of drunken driving, police said Sunday. Clinton, 44, was arrested early Saturday after an officer spotted him driving erratically through this oceanside town, according to a news statement. The officer stopped Clinton's Ford Expedition sport utility vehicle and smelled alcohol on the driver's breath, according to police. ease the estimated alcohol level.

Florida wildfires close highway: An 8,500-acre wildfire burning out of control closed a 10-mile section of Interstate 4 on Sunday and forced the evacuation of dozens of homes. The wind-driven fire near Polk City in central Florida had grown overnight from 2,000 acres and jumped to the south side of I-4, a heavily traveled route between Orlando and Tampa.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Man killed in chainsaw accident:

A Marion man died from cuts to the neck he suffered when the chain saw he was using to cut firewood kicked back on him, police said. Philip Waggoner, 38, suffered the injuries about 8 p.m. Friday. "When we arrived at the scene, the chain was off the chain saw, and it was lying on its side," Grant County sheriff's Lt. Mike Andry said. "(Waggoner) was lying there about 60 to 70 yards away from his pickup truck with blood leading from his body," Andry said Waggoner had severed blood vessels in his neck.

SOUTH KOREA



AFP Photo

South Korean police stand guard outside the Daewoo Motors plant in Pupyong. Riots began after the company began laying off over 1,700 workers.

Police clash with auto workers

Associated Press

SEOUL

Throwing stones and spraying fire extinguishers, dozens of Daewoo Motor Co. workers briefly clashed with South Korean riot police Sunday in a rally to protest a mass lay-off by the ailing carmaker.

The clash occurred when about 300 Daewoo workers and their families tried to break a police line to enter Daewoo's main assembly lines in Bupyong, 18 miles west of Seoul.

One worker was hit in the head by a stone and

rushed to a hospital, while a few union leaders were taken to a police station for questioning, the state Yonhap news agency said.

Union officials could not immediately be reached for comment.

Also on Sunday, police began seeking 30 union leaders for arrest on charges they caused the company tens of millions of dollars in losses by leading illegal strikes.

A civil court in Incheon, west of Seoul, issued arrest warrants for the labor leaders.

Daewoo Motor laid off 1,751 workers Friday to

make itself more attractive to possible buyer General Motors. Hundreds of workers have since refused to leave the main plant to protest the dismissals.

The union plans to strike at Bupyong and two other Daewoo plants on Monday.

The government of President Kim Dae-jung says layoffs are needed to streamline the country's bloated companies and regain investors' confidence in the economy.

The 1997-98 Asian financial crisis triggered the collapse of Daewoo

Motor and other businesses that had expanded with borrowed money.

Daewoo Motor has been surviving under court receivership since it filed for bankruptcy in November. Its debts are estimated at \$10 billion.

In return for emergency loans from banks, it has shed 5,494 of its 16,149 workers, or 34 percent.

General Motors began talks with Daewoo in September to take over the carmaker. However, there has been little progress because GM was reportedly reluctant to proceed without layoffs.

Sub recovery robot in for repairs

Associated Press

HONOLULU

The Navy's efforts to scan the wreckage of a Japanese ship sunk by a U.S. submarine were set back Sunday when a deep-sea robot was removed from the sea for repairs.

The Navy is using the robot to evaluate the feasibility of raising the 190-foot Ehime Maru, which sank minutes after the USS Greeneville surfaced underneath it Feb. 9.

Late Saturday, crew members using the robot noticed a tear in the tether used to raise and lower it. Navy officials said a separate sonar device, which was being towed through the ocean depths scanning for debris near the shipwreck, still was in use. They said the video-equipped robot could be ready to use Monday.

Families of nine men and teen-age boys missing since the sinking are pressing the Navy to recover any bodies that may be entombed in the Ehime Maru, even if that means conducting what experts say would be a monumental and unprecedented salvage of the entire ship.

Videotape taken by the robot since Friday showed the exterior of the ship seemingly in pristine condition, but the Coast Guard said the full extent of damage had not been determined.

The Navy said the deep-sea robots may be too big to enter the wreckage to retrieve any bodies from it.

The commercial fishing training vessel was headed toward fishing grounds 300 miles southeast of Oahu when the USS Greeneville collided with it during an emergency rapid-

ascent drill. Twenty-six people were rescued, but there have been no signs of the nine missing during a continuing Coast Guard search.

The Navy announced Saturday it would conduct a court of inquiry, its highest-level administrative investigation, into the accident. The inquiry will focus on the actions of the Greeneville's three top officers: The submarine's captain, Cmdr. Scott Waddle; its executive officer, Lt. Cmdr. Gerald K. Pfeifer, and the officer of the deck, Lt. j.g. Michael J. Coen.

Three admirals with subpoena powers will oversee the public hearing, which could result in a recommendation for courts-martial, said Adm. Thomas Fargo, commander in chief of the Pacific Fleet. The board is scheduled to convene Thursday.

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Gang

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Gangs were groups of friends that supported each other. By being with his friend, Darryl became part of the gang. "They were chasing me when I was with him, so I just joined," he said.

Darryl has moved away from Cabrini Green with his family. "My dream is made — I don't have to steal for money, my life is better and my kids are being raised well," he said. "The only thing that will lead me back to gang-banging is if someone does something to my family or my guys."

Just walking outside on the streets near their neighborhood is dangerous. Greg is about to move out of Cabrini Green and currently has a job — a major accomplishment. "[Tomes]

helped me get a job. I've been working 6-8 months," he said. "If you don't have a job, you've got to do what you've got to do." Greg refers to drug dealing or other illegal activities.

However, Tron said that it wasn't hard for him to get a job because he hadn't been to jail like most of his friends. "It's changed now, you used to not be able to get a job," said Tomes.

Their decisions to join gangs years ago affected many other people. "I got tired of the expression on my mother's face every time she would come and get me out of jail," Greg said.

"I was running wild — shooting and beating people up. I was doing a lot of damage," said Greg. "I wasn't getting nothing out of it."

"I'd be looking for fights — slamming and banging. We'd go around looking for fights," Darryl said. When asked how many people he has killed, Darryl responded, "Don't ask about killing people — we won't talk about that."

Father Tomes works with the gang members and even stands outside during gun-fights. He stresses the gang

members' faith in God. "Gang members pray a lot because of the possibility of being killed. You should see how sincerely they pray." Tomes puts his life on the line every day in Cabrini Green, and the neighborhood respects him, including these three men.

Even though Greg and Darryl already got out of the gangs, they still want to see change in the neighborhood.

"Open up youth centers. Give kids something to do after school. If not, they see the rich guys on the corner with drugs and jewelry," Darryl said. "Give them something to do after school that is fun because if not they won't come back."

Even though nothing will happen to you once you leave the gang, it's better not to join, said Greg.

"Once you get in, you might not have a bad experience. Maybe you're under the wing of a rich guy where

you have access to lots of money and drugs and you will never be shot. That's a good experience," said Greg. "But if after three days you get shot and paralyzed, then [the gang] does not want anything with you."

Each of these men's experiences was different, but they were once children raised in a neighborhood surrounded by violence. Tron, Greg and Darryl could not go to the youth center as children because it was located in the other gang's territory.

"It was on their turf. All the activities were on their side," said Greg. Now there are two centers, one on each opposition.

While students in Notre Dame read course packets on how to serve the community and bring peace to the world, 10-year old children, like these men had been, chose violence instead of school every day because it is fun.

"Those guns for the army — they have them on the street. We were doing it ourselves so it was fun," said Greg. "When you're young it is fun."

"I was running wild — shooting and beating people up. I was doing a lot of damage."

Greg
former Chicago gang member

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NEWS BRIEFS

E-mail outage disrupts campus: The technology-dependent Notre Dame community faced a challenge as e-mail was unavailable from Friday afternoon to Saturday morning.

"It's always a bad thing to be off the air for 13 hours, but those things do happen," said Larry Rapagnani, assistant provost for computing.

A hardware failure on the email server caused the problem. The disruption was unrelated to previous Internet problems that were caused by service provided from Ameritech.

"Big computers have hardware failures, just like little computers," said Rapagnani.

Technicians worked through the night to fix the email server. Other technology, such as the Internet and H and I drives were not affected.

"We're hopeful that it won't happen again," said Rapagnani.

Schor to lecture today: Naomi Schor, Benjamin F. Barge Professor of French at Yale University and internationally renowned feminist critic, will deliver Notre Dame's 2001 Provost's Distinguished Women's Lecture at 4:45 p.m. today in the auditorium of McKenna Hall on campus.

Titled "The Crisis of French Universalism," the lecture will be followed by a reception and book signing.

Schor also will lead a roundtable discussion with Notre Dame faculty and graduate students to discuss "Universalism and its Others," at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the auditorium of McKenna Hall. Discussion participants are encouraged to read Schor's essay, "French Feminism is a Universalism," which is available in 343 O'Shaughnessy Hall.

Schor has written extensively on 19th-century French literature. Her work is centered on feminist theory, aesthetics and cultural studies, and she is a founding editor of "Differences: A Journal of Feminist Culture Studies."



Schor



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Monologues

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ties nationwide are currently participating in the V-Day College Initiative, which grants colleges the free use of the script until Feb. 21. The initiative is founded to help educational institutions take a stand against violence towards women.

While tonight's reading is not a performance and is not being sponsored by any campus club or group, it has caught the eye of student leaders, who have been observing the debate over the Monologues since last year's performance. While Board of Governance has yet to issue a formal statement about the Monologues, student body president Crissie Renner will be in attendance at tonight's reading.

"I found out about it from one of the women that is reading it," Renner said. "I'll probably swing by."



Jackie Esworthy was killed by a drunk driver one week after her high school graduation.

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Dale Earnhardt dies of injuries sustained at Daytona 500

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. Dale Earnhardt, one of the greatest stars in auto racing history, died Sunday from injuries in a last-lap crash at the Daytona 500.

The seven-time Winston Cup champion had to be cut out of his car after slamming into the wall on the final turn of the race while fighting for position. He was taken to the hospital accompanied by his son, Dale Jr., a young NASCAR star who finished second in the race.

"This is understandably the toughest announcement I've ever had to make. We've lost Dale Earnhardt," NASCAR president Mike Helton said.

Earnhardt died instantly of head injuries, said Steve Bohannon, a doctor at Halifax Medical Center.

"There was nothing that could have been done for him," he said.

The death comes at a time that driver safety issues were under increased scrutiny. Three NASCAR drivers were killed in wrecks last season.

The accident happened a half-mile from the finish of the NASCAR season-opener, won by

Michael Waltrip.

Earnhardt, running fourth, grazed Sterling Marlin's car, crashed into the wall at the high-banked fourth turn going about 180 mph, and was smacked hard by Ken Schrader.

Earnhardt's death was the biggest blow to auto racing since three-time Formula One champion Ayrton Senna was killed in the San Marino Grand Prix in Imola, Italy, in 1994.

Neil Bonnett, one of Earnhardt's best friends, was killed that same year in practice for the Daytona 500. Rodney Orr died in a wreck three days later, also in practice, and was the last driver killed at the track until Earnhardt's accident.

"NASCAR has lost its greatest driver ever, and I personally have lost a great friend," NASCAR chairman Bill France Jr. said.

It was the second major wreck in five years in the race for Earnhardt, a driver known for his aggressiveness on the track. He flipped wildly on the backstretch near the end of the race in 1997 but was not seriously hurt. He came back to win the race the next year on his 20th try.

Earnhardt is the leader among

active Winston Cup drivers with 76 career victories. He also had the most victories at Daytona International Speedway, 34.

The death made Waltrip's victory virtually meaningless, as drivers mourned one of their greatest stars.

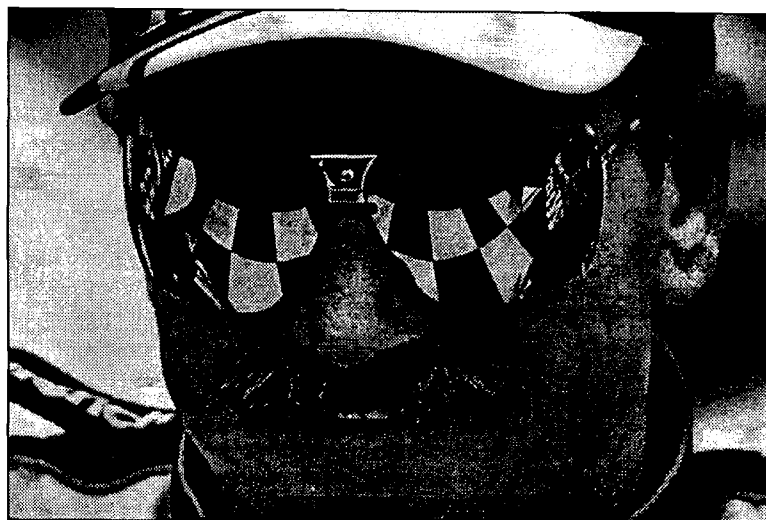
"My heart is hurting right now," Waltrip said before news of Earnhardt's death was announced. "I would rather be any place right this moment than here. It's so painful."

Earnhardt was doing what he does best throughout the race, being the crowd favorite and bumping other cars for position.

He was a factor throughout, and spent the final laps close to his son and Waltrip, trying to block Marlin. Marlin had just passed Earnhardt, who was trying to get back by him on the low side of the track when there was slight contact that sent his Chevrolet spinning up the banking.

It turned to the right and hit the wall, and Schrader could not avoid hitting Earnhardt's car. Both cars slowly began to slide down to the bottom of the track as the rest of the field raced by.

Earnhardt Jr. quickly left the postrace celebration for Waltrip, and sprinted to the infield care



AFP Photo

Seven time Winston Cup Champion Dale Earnhardt's sun glasses filled with checker flags after he won his 8th consecutive Twin 125 Qualifying race in his Chevrolet at Daytona International Speedway.

center to be with his father. It took several minutes to get the elder Earnhardt out of the car, and he was quickly taken to Halifax Hospital.

Meanwhile, the crowd at Victory Circle was chanting "DEI, DEI," for Dale Earnhardt Inc., which owns the cars of his son and Waltrip. The celebration, which usually lasts 30 minutes, ended quickly.

Last May, Busch Series driver Adam Petty, the grandson of stock car great Richard Petty, was killed in Loudon, N.H. Two months later, Winston Cup driver Kenny Irwin also was killed at New Hampshire International Speedway.

NASCAR truck series driver Tony Roper was killed in October at Texas Motor Speedway.

Experts discuss life expectancy, age increases to 85

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Human life expectancy has increased by three decades since 1900 and may reach 85 for babies born in this century, but that may be near the upper limit unless science finds ways to dramatically slow the aging process, some researchers said Sunday.

Claims by some scientists that humans in this century will have a life expectancy of 100 or even 120 are not realistic and not supported by the trends measuring the rates of death, said S. Jay Olshansky of the University of Illinois, Chicago.

"We anticipate that many people here today will live long enough to witness a life expectancy of 85 years, but everybody alive today will be long dead before a life

expectancy of 100 is achieved, if ever," said Olshansky.

The researcher was the head of a panel of experts that on Sunday analyzed trends in human life expectancy at the national meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Olshansky said there are no "magic potions, hormones, antioxidants, forms of genetic engineering or biomedical technologies that exist today that would permit a life expectancy of 120 or 150 years as some people have claimed."

Leonard Hayflick, an expert on aging at the University of California, San Francisco, denounced what he called "outrageous claims" by some scientists that humans are

capable of living well past 100 years.

"Superlongevity," he said "is simply not possible."

Hayflick said that even if the most common causes of death — cancer, heart disease and stroke — were eliminated, "the increase in life expectancy would be no more than 15 years."

With those death causes gone, he said, the true cause of death would be revealed: the aging process.

Aging, he said, is a decline on a molecular level that makes people "increasingly vulnerable to disease" and that this process is not receiving much research attention.

Instead, most aging research, said Hayflick, concentrates on the age-related diseases that can be easily identified, such as heart attack, stroke, cancer and Alzheimer's disease.

Nature designed humans to peak physically at about age 20, to assure reproduction and survival of the species, he said.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dangers of focusing on clothes

Just when I thought I'd seen it all, yesterday's Viewpoint laughed in my face. I didn't think anything could top the shock of witnessing a "premiere" university masquerade a blatant act of censorship behind a mask of religious devotion, but one Domer stepped up to the challenge. I am compelled to respond to Sheila Payne's article from the Feb. 14 issue of The Observer, not because of my disdain for her opinions, but because the implications in her letter are despicable and dangerous.

"Do your clothes say 'I respect myself and am proud to look so nice' or do they say 'I want to seduce you'?"

Do you really want to say that?

Do you think it's right to say that?

Are you prepared for the answer?"

I only hope that Payne was oblivious to the implications in her concluding sentiments. She is preying on one of the most painful questions a woman faces when she has been raped. Rape victims feel an incredible amount of guilt and shame because of ideas like those expressed in Payne's article; ideas that suggest the length of a woman's skirt determines her right to say no to sex. I have no doubt that the letter was written with the best of intentions, but that only shows how deeply ingrained these negative attitudes are. If you truly want to help women feel confident and self-assured, this is not the way. The belief that a woman must expect to be harassed or violated because of the way she dresses perpetuates a vicious cycle of violence. It also perpetuates the guilt and stigmatism that make a devastating situation even harder to overcome.

Megan Kovac
sophomore
Walsh Hall
February 15, 2001



Reviving a Lenten tradition

Think about reviving the ancient Christian tradition of abstaining from meat consumption during Lent. We respectfully invite all Christians to use VDLENT2001 as a period of reflection and prayer for all the innocent creatures currently condemned to the slaughterhouse and/or factory-farm.

God willing VDLENT2001 will help you make a permanent switch to a healthy and compassionate meat-free diet. Try it. You'll be amazed by the physical and spiritual benefits.

As a contemporary adaptation of an ancient tradition, we respectfully invite each participant to adopt a vegetarian diet for each and every day between Ash Wednesday (Feb. 28) and Easter Sunday (April 15).

Lent is a sacred and spiritual period for Christians the world over. Lent not only reminds us of Christ's undying love, but helps us to empathize more closely with His sacrifice too. Greater empathy with Christ, gained during the Lenten period, allows us to be more receptive to the needs of our neighbor. As Christ taught us our neighbor is s/he who suffers. Are there any that suffer more than those condemned to the slaughterhouse? Lent provides a perfect opportunity for us Christians to reflect on the plight of our defenseless neighbors; especially our neighbors condemned to face the indignity and horror of the slaughterhouse.

A vegetarian diet for Lent — simply an experiential opportunity or perhaps even a transitional period. It's your choice. Try it. You won't regret it.

Antony Neesham
Lincolnshire, England
February 17, 2001

GUEST COLUMN

Smoke gets in your eyes — or does it?

AMES, Iowa

It is a sweet irony that Big Tobacco is paying \$1.5 billion through 2003 for the American Legacy Foundation to air public service announcements slugging it off daily. It's turn-about and that has legally been determined to be fair play. According to Dr. Cheryl Heaton, the foundation's president and chief executive officer, these commercials represent an effort to combat corporate tobacco's "feel good, corporate citizen" image.

Greg Jarrett

Iowa State
Daily

"It is intended to be a wake-up call to America about the fact that 500,000 people die prematurely a year due to tobacco use in America — 50,000 of those die from the tobacco use of others," said Heaton in a CNN interview. "Corporate citizen notwithstanding, a heck of a lot of Americans are dying prematurely due to this product."

Simply speaking, it is a propaganda campaign to combat the propaganda campaign of an industry with very deep pockets.

Irony is nothing new to those of us addicted to tobacco who routinely try to quit. You know the people I'm talking about. They smoke for 20 years and then kick it for two weeks and suddenly they are anti-smoking zealots. My grandmother had been smoking since Taft was president. One week, her pastor talked her into quitting and suddenly anyone who sat in her nicotine-stained kitchen got an earful about how bad smoking was for you.

As an on-again, off-again smoker since I was 18, I know full well what a hypocrite I can be. I can smoke a pack a day for two years, quit for one year and rail against the system that got me hooked. Then one night at a bar I light up "just one."

Next day I go back on the wagon for three months before I fall off for another year and a half. One long smoking binge is followed by a period of almost monastic abstinence and the end result is I've got more personalities living inside me than Robert Downey Jr., Gary Oldman and Sybil combined.

They are merging, however. I don't flip-flop as much as I used to because nowadays, even when I smoke, I feel guilty about it. I have gotten to the miserable point where I don't remember what I ever liked about smoking: I get the jones real bad and get my fix and rarely does it even feel good.

I don't want to smoke, but it is so easy to get hooked and re-hooked, time and again. I cannot be one of these brash, proud-to-be-inhaling smokers who talks about lighting up as though it were a right of birth.

The fact is, those anti-smoking commercials, though heavy on the propaganda, are essentially correct. Only 20 years ago, they would have been laughable. Today they are well-received.

We all accept that smoking is bad and if a heavy dose of intensely emotional imagery will keep kids from making the same mistake many of us made in our younger days then that's great. If the tobacco companies have to pay for it — all the better.

Joe Camel may be the most insidious of all tobacco company creations. This loveable cartoon character has little appeal to adults. He was always there to make sure children learned brand recognition well before they were legally able to smoke.

I know when I went out to buy my first pack of smokes to irritate my roommate, I looked at the many brands in the cigarette machine in the USAC laundry within easy reach of the playground and I just knew Marlboro was the brand I wanted. Reds, just like the cowboy whose face graced so many billboards back home you couldn't cross the Missouri in any direction on any bridge without seeing his weather-worn face and appreciating his rugged individualism.

Of course, that cowboy died of lung cancer, a fact not widely known until the American Legacy Foundation began running commercials featuring the cowboy's brother — a man whose piece was long overdue for airing.

I guess there is a fine line between rugged individualism and fatalism.

Smokers are not an oppressed subclass, but their numbers — our numbers — are dwindling. I for one cannot wait until the day when it is as unnecessary to post "no smoking" signs in restaurants as it is to post "no spitting" signs.

At this rate, public smoking bans will be unnecessary in five years. In fact, public bans will be the one thing that will keep people defiantly puffing themselves to death. Prohibition not only did nothing to stop Americans from drinking, it fueled a criminal subculture that still exists in America.

Cities need to relax and wait for the inevitable because nothing prolongs the inevitable like resistance. I know I need to quit. Every smoker in the United States knows they need to quit. But the decision must be one of free choice. We already have the effective propaganda machine rolling; let's leave the brown shirt tactics of public banning to less sophisticated states

like California.

I may seem torn, sometimes I feel like it. But wanting to see the tobacco companies run aground while not wanting to see public smoking bans take effect are two ideas I am comfortable holding at the same time.

Be patient. It will happen naturally. Slowly, but naturally.

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French travel tips, thieves and a Hungarian massage

4 September 2000 — Day One

Call me out of town! I got my ticket and I used it. So here we are, 36 kids who don't really know each other, 36 kids alone together, here in France. Soon, we'll be calling Angers home; right now, we're working on its pronunciation. I've never been; I hope it's nice.

Day one and mistake one: "So how do you feel about arriving in France?" asked the flight attendant, in that cute French way of his. A proud smile on my face, I responded in a language other than my own, "Je suis très excitée!" Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you the problems of literal translation. "I am very excited!" earned me my first dirty look as a foreigner, for what I learned just a few moments later was that this French phrase is often used to describe a completely different kind of "excited."

Mary Anne
Lewis

Scene Writer

6 October 2000 — Day 32

Travel tip: If the woman at the desk smiles at you and says, "Here's the key to your room. Good luck!" don't trust her. Find somewhere else to stay.

We had what is now the oh-so-infamous "Chambre Huit," a room found only by following some rather frighteningly simple arrows with sloppy handwriting and concealed by an out-of-place opaque shower door in the middle of the hallway. We had the doctor from Mary Shelley's "Frankenstein" as a neighbor downstairs on the left and some dental torture instruments in the room on the right. As good as a sleeping pill — as you can imagine — among the sounds of eerie music coming from downstairs and drilling coming from the evil dentist's crypt next door. The television's refusal to be turned off was very calming as well.

2 November 2000 — Day 59

Italian thieves tick me off. Four naïve American girls combined with a stench, kept dense and putrid by the tight area of a not-so-spacious couchette, makes for quite the travel legend. The origin of the smell made his presence known when he emerged from under Katy's bed. While we screamed, he smiled, as if to say, "Screw you all, you silly girls. I'm here; I smell; you're scared, so I'm in control," until he realized that screaming could bring the police, and that could land him behind some bars — and we ain't talkin' chianti wine!

9 February 2001 — Day 158

Today I was spanked by a large Hungarian woman, and I liked it! The baths in Budapest are famous for the wide range of treatments available, ranging from mud to thermal, and for the variety of naked bodies. If you have an ounce of modesty in your body, it is guaranteed to be gone by the time you leave, whether because of the fact that you and everyone remotely close to you is naked, or because the woman giving you the full-body massage seems to be enjoying it almost as much as you are. Large women throw around their weight, and there isn't an inhibition in the place. It's a beautiful, beautiful thing.

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From Vikings to Freud: The College of Arts and Letters

By JACQUELINE BROWDER
Assistant Scene Editor

Does the thought of dissection make you sick? Not wild about accounting? As a child, did you have trouble creating a sturdy structure with your Lincoln Logs? Have no fear — the College of Arts and Letters may be just what you're looking for.

The College of Arts and Letters is the oldest and largest unit of the University of Notre Dame, embracing the humanities, the social sciences and the fine and performing arts. Approximately 2,500 undergraduates and 750 graduate students are enrolled in its degree programs, organized into 18 departments and the Medieval Institute.

It's been said that you can't underestimate the value of a good liberal arts education. Arts and Letters Dean Mark Roche affirms, "These disciplines are both ends in themselves and useful in teaching students the formal skills that will be applicable beyond their specific discipline. We explore the complex structures of the contemporary self and contemporary society — its organization, efficiencies and political structures."

The College of Arts and Letters allows students to explore their creative capacities, whether through creative thinking, dramatic performance or through critical analysis of a text. The areas of study are extensive and classes are often crosslisted to allow students to take classes in the college, but outside their major.

However, creative thinking doesn't always equal big bucks in the post-graduate world. Many Arts and Letters majors nearing graduation fear that a more "practical" major would give them an edge in a working environment. Roche disagrees. "Notre Dame liberal arts majors have found challenging employment at Fortune 500 companies, prestigious consulting firms and financial service giants.

"What they may lack in nuts and bolts of business, they compensate for with their ability to draw on a breadth of general knowledge, to think creatively and communicate effectively and to adjust to evolving or unexpected circumstances."

Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters gives students the opportunity to think creatively by offering a tremendous amount of variety in its

classes. Here are just a few of the college's offerings.

Interested in the Vikings? Take HIST 240. Feel like royalty? Try HIST 241, "Caesars Emperors and Czars." Did Valentine's Day get you in the mood for romance? There's an English class dedicated to "Love in the Middle Ages" (ENG 335). For future ESPN sportscasters, the Film, Television and Theater department offers a class in Broadcast Journalism (FTT 308). Notre Dame may not condone fraternities and sororities on campus, but you can learn about the Greeks in CLAS 450, "Greek and Roman Mythology."

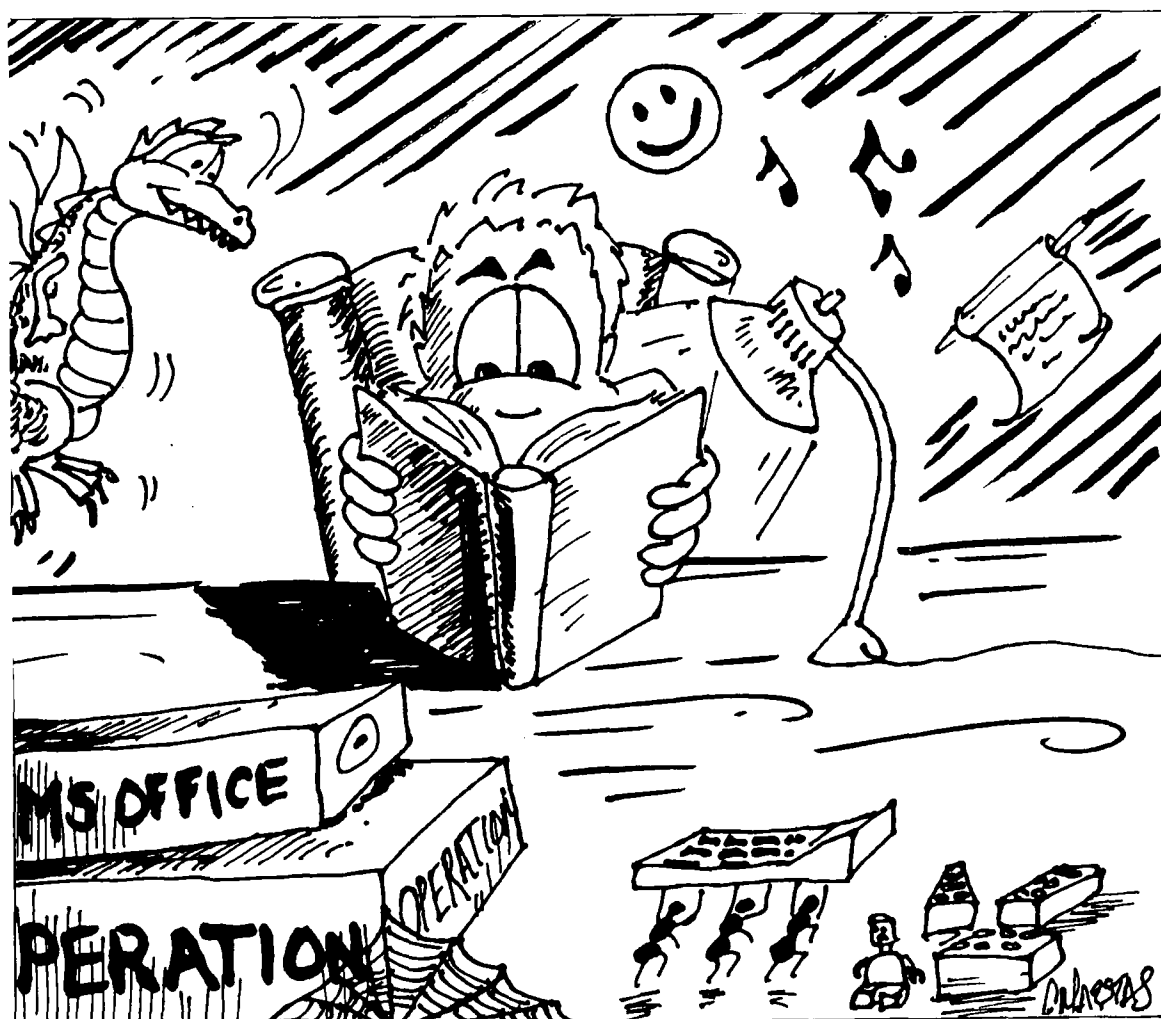
Want to know more about political theory, foreign policy or the motives behind the Cold War? You might want to take a few Government courses. Or you can learn about the "Anthropology of Reproduction" (GSC 448) — if you're curious about that sort of thing — through the Gender Studies Department. You can even channel the musician inside and learn to play jazz guitar (MUS 213).

For future lawyers or, possibly, future convicts, the Sociology department offers a class in Criminology. Or you could get out your broomstick and take "Witchcraft and Occult" (ANTH 418) through the Anthropology department. For those contemplating their weekend's activities, the Theology department offers a class entitled, "Sin and Redemption" (THEO 225).

Thinking existentially? Take PHIL 222. Oedipus complex? You can work on that in Abnormal Psychology (PSY 354). Or you can impress people at parties with your vast knowledge of books if you're a PLS major. You can even crosslist yourself into the business world and take an Economics course.

Throw pots in a ceramics class (ARST 210) or learn Japanese and figure out what Pokemon is all about. Or, through the American Studies department, you can "Witness the Sixties" (AMST340) and find out what your parents were up to in their youth.

The College of Arts and Letters offers a multitude of diverse courses, encouraging students to think creatively and comprehensively in several areas of study. Whether business, law school or post-graduate study calls, "[Arts and Letters students] have learned the basic skills that are requisite for success in any enterprise," says Roche. "They learn to think on their feet and out of the box."



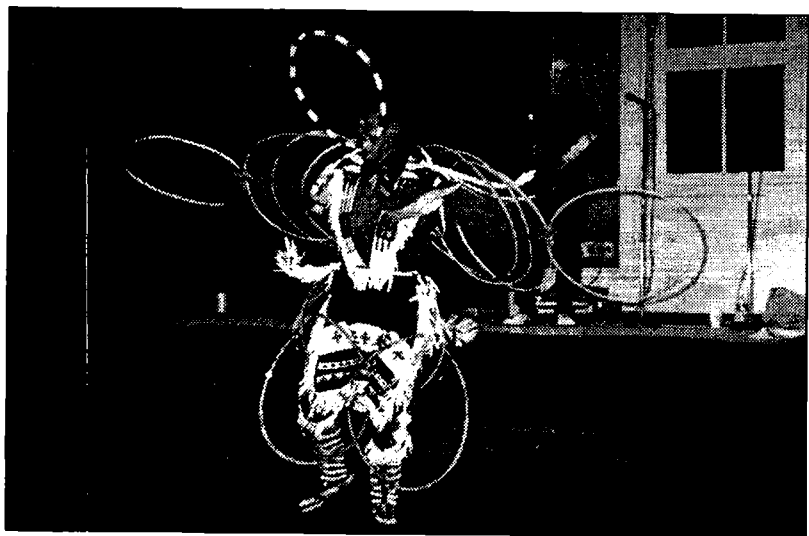
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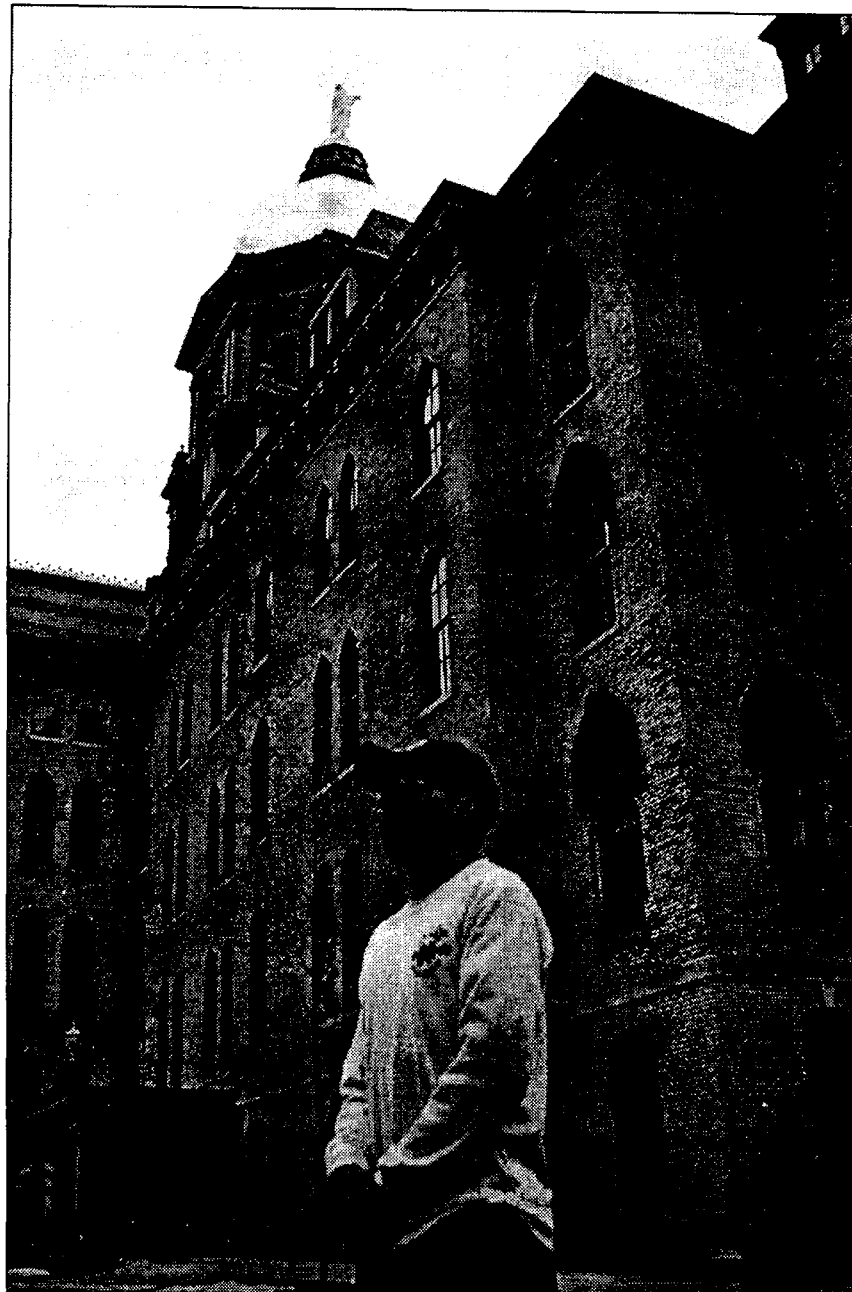
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Tied together by land

Two hundred years ago, this campus was owned by the Potawatomi Indians. Today, The Observer looks at the state of Native Americans at Notre Dame.



Notre Dame has a long history of involvement with Native Americans. The University sponsors cultural events, such as a Hoop Dance in 1997. Many Native American students face some unusual challenges in life under the Dome.



Sharing a heritage, Building a future

164 years ago, Notre Dame benefited from a close relationship with local tribes, now the University is actively recruiting Native American students

story by ♦ MARIBEL MOREY

Tradition in Notre Dame oozes from the generations of Irish families who attend the University — but some Native American students on campus might share a much richer history with Notre Dame.

"This University would not be where it is today without its connection with the Indians," said Mark Schurr, assistant professor of anthropology.

The Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians lived in this part of the state until the Federal government forced their removal further west. The Band sold its land to the government who then sold it to Father Stephen Badin in 1837. According to Schurr, Badin was able to arrange to buy the land because he was very close to Leopold Pokagon, head of the Pokagon Band. That closeness has not continued, however.

"As a group, [the Pokagon] do not feel highly of Notre Dame," Schurr said. Notre Dame agreed

to help educate Native American children and has sometimes failed to do so.

"There's a historical reason for Notre Dame interest that goes beyond affirmative action reasons for giving Native Americans opportunities to come here," said Greg Dowd, associate professor of history. "The University makes a strong effort. My sense is that there's particular recruiting from Catholic schools in Indian communities."

The admissions office makes an effort to visit individually with Native American applicants in their hometowns.

"We have to literally do it one at a time," said Bob Mundy, director of internal operations and overseer of Native American recruitment. "We are simply making an effort to enroll as many [Native Americans] as we can."

"There's a historical reason for Notre Dame interest that goes beyond affirmative action reasons for giving Native Americans opportunities to come here."

Greg Dowd
associate professor of history

the minority groups. Once juniors take the PSAT, the personal information on the exam is sold to colleges. Notre Dame buys lists of these students "either by religion, ethnic group, zip code, etc," Mundy said.

"That list is a national list — an inquiry pool that would give us a fair representation."

Although all minorities are targeted for recruitment, the Native American relationship with the University is distinct.

"The University does have an agreement with the Potawatomi tribe which was signed four to five years ago. We set forth some admissions and financial aid policy for the Potawatomi — we set forth some expectation," he said. At that point, Notre Dame agreed to meet the entire financial need of an accepted member of the Potawatomi tribe. However, this policy has been overtaken by the University's commitment to meet the finan-

cial aid of all students, not just Native American.

Marvin O'Connell, history professor emeritus, does not see that Notre Dame is any different from any other University in this regard.

"I think all white Americans have a debt to Native Americans, but Notre Dame is not any different in that," he said. "They recruit [Native Americans] because it's the right thing to do. They were badly treated."

But, according to O'Connell, the University has an obligation to recruit Native Americans because of its Catholic identity.

"This University would not be where it is today without its connection with the Indians."

Mark Schurr
assistant professor of anthropology

ONE PERSON'S VIEW

Remembering a friend

My freshman year I made a friend.

He was a nice kid, a quiet guy who worked hard and lent me his pillow for a while on a long van ride to Tennessee the day we met on our way to an Appalachia Seminar.

He had grown up with his mother on a reservation in New Mexico, a long way from snowy South Bend. And New Mexico was where he wanted to return, after he became a doctor. He was going to go back to his reservation and help his people overcome the heart disease that plagues so many Native American communities.

Sophomore year he was gone.

The last time I talked to my friend, I ran into him outside LaFortune Student Center. He said he was leaving Notre Dame. He was going back home, not yet a doctor. He said he might join the army, but he was not sure. And he's never been back.

He tried hard, but my friend could not make the adjustment to Notre Dame. The gap between where he was from and where he was at had been too great.

And the numbers show he was not alone.

Native American students leave Notre Dame at a higher percentage than any other group on this campus. There are many causes for this, from cultural and religious differences to academic challenges to financial limitations, but we should do more to prevent it.

The University has made an admirable commitment to provide financial aid to students from the Potawatomi Indian tribe, who originally lived on the land that we call Notre Dame. And the Admissions Office's attempts to individually recruit students who live on reservations shows an honest desire to provide Native Americans with access to education. Once they get here, the efforts of us all need to be just as committed.

It is difficult for the administration to build a community of Native American students when there are so few, and their experiences are so diffuse. There is little a University can do to help students who are suffering from being so far from home, or who are placed in an environment where their religion is seen as foreign.

But we as a campus can make a difference on this, as we can on all the divisions which divide our community. We can reach out and bridge the gaps between us all, and maybe in so doing, we can help our friends bridge that gap between where they came from and where they are.

I haven't seen my friend in the two-plus years since that day when he told me he was leaving. I don't know where he is, or if he still dreams of being a doctor.

I could have reached out to him a little more when he was here, and struggling. Maybe it would have helped; maybe it would not have. But, I'll never know, because, caught up in the rush of daily life, I didn't.

Don't make the same mistake.

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In Focus Editor

♦ Native Americans try to make their beliefs understood on a Catholic campus

By KIFLIN TURNER
In Focus Writer

Filbert Begay came to Notre Dame without ever having opened the Bible.

The sophomore member of the Navajo tribe had been exposed to Christianity, but his little experience with the faith was not enough to prepare him for the devout Catholicism of most Notre Dame students. Begay recalled his theology class as a particular challenge. It was difficult for him to understand Biblical interpretations and figures.

"I was exposed to Christianity back home, but not as much as everyone here, and that was a new experience," Begay said. "Coming from my cultural background, a lot of the students here are really Christianized."

Catholicism and Native American spiritual beliefs diverge in many ways, and students who came to Notre Dame from reservation life often are forced to wrestle with these conflicts.

"It's a really tough way — a meshing of ideas, Catholicism and then the traditional views with the environment and [the Native American] relationship with the rest of the world," said freshman Joey Shonkwiler, who is both Cherokee and Italian.

Begay receives mixed reactions when he discusses his spiritual beliefs. His faith is not based on one god, but on many deities found throughout nature.

"It's not the same as Christianity where there's one god," he said. "We have numerous deities, none of them are higher than the other, nor lower than the other, so there's no hierarchical standpoint that the deities have."

The deities who Begay worships are all interconnected in a universal circle of interdependence.

He equally respects all parts of the natural world — from animals to heavenly objects — and invisible supernatural deities.

"They all play a significant role in the cosmos and life," he said.

Begay also had to find a way to worship. He recalled feeling self-conscious when he would pray in the Grotto in his own, unique way.

"I tried praying in my way, but people look at me weird. They were like, 'who the heck are you praying to?'" he said. "I usually pray early in the morning when no one is around, so that no one will see me."

Another incident that made a distinct impression on Begay's experience with religion at Notre Dame was a retreat he attended freshman year. As the participants began speaking about their respec-



TONY FLOYD/The Observer

Sophomore Filbert Begay prays at the Grotto in his own unique way. Many Native American students at Notre Dame face everything from innocent questions to outright challenges about their spiritual beliefs.

tive backgrounds, Begay remembers the priest in charge of the retreat as not being particularly open to his religion.

"We don't really have a religion, but it's more like a way of life," was Begay's response to the priest's inquiries about his beliefs. Instead of Begay's answer being met with understanding, the priest

proceeded to ask his thoughts on God, Heaven and Hell — all things Begay did not know much about.

Encountering narrow attitudes like these is a frequent and unfortunate occurrence, according to Begay.

"The majority of the students have the same responses as when the Father talked to me," he said. "Some of the students, they're pretty nice about it, they say, 'oh, that's fascinating,' but the majority of them say, 'uh-oh.'"

Discussing religion is a touchy topic for many Native American students. But instead of taking

criticism negatively, junior Laura Mike, a Navajo, turns potential conflicts into a learning process.

"I try to think of that maybe their values aren't as strong or maybe they're not receiving the whole picture or maybe I don't even understand my own faith, and that's why when I explain it, it might not seem clear," she said. "That's when I try to learn more about what my life is about and our religion as a whole."

Still, the rejection of her beliefs is painful, Mike said, as it is in essence a rejection of her Native American culture and ancestry.

"They're very devout to their Catholic faith, and I respect that," she said, "But I guess it hurts me to hear them say that my religion is not as good as theirs."

This overt denial of Mike's beliefs is disappointing, she said, but she continues to use these opportunities to reaffirm them.

"We like to pray to everything that we have, and not just God," she said. "And when I explain this to students here, a lot of them seem to tell me that it's wrong to think that way, or that's not how it should be."

"We like to pray to everything we have, and not just God."

Laura Mike
junior

"I tried praying in my way, but people look at me weird."

Filbert Begay
sophomore

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"There's also the Catholic/Christian mission statement — we have more an obligation to help people, the disadvantaged, than let's say the

University of Indiana," he said.

Schurr agreed.

"We do have an obligation to the Native Americans because of our distinct history and Catholic background," he said.

Once here, Native Americans find that it

might be difficult to adjust to Notre Dame life.

One of the most divisive parts of the University is the Columbus murals in the Main Building. The murals depict Native Americans in awe of Columbus and seem to depict the Native Americans as lower than

the European Columbus.

Schurr wonders why the murals don't depict Native Americans and Europeans more equally.

Instead of overpowering murals of Columbus, "Why isn't there a mural of Badin and the Pokagon Potawatomi worshipping together?" Schurr asked.

Uprooting to Notre Dame

Distance, both physical and cultural, poses challenge for Native American students

By KIFLIN TURNER
In Focus Writer

Imagine walking everyday to classes through a sea of faces. Some of them familiar, some of them not, but none like your own. The search to find someone that not only understands, but also has a deep connection to the ancestry of a culture describes the plight of Rochelle Lacapa and many other Native American students at Notre Dame.

Many of these students face challenges in uprooting themselves from a culture centered on extensive family ties and the land.

Lacapa, a junior affiliated with the White Mountain Apache, Hopi and Tewa tribes, noticed that the Native American community at Notre Dame was largely defunct where she arrived on campus. Lacapa noticed that other minority groups had built fairly strong networks of friends and support.

Besides feeling disappointed at the lack of a Native American community on campus, Lacapa also noted other minority groups, while relatively small in size in comparison with the majority white student body, had a built a fairly strong network of friends and support.

"When I came here it was frustrating because it was hard to find a place to fit in," Lacapa said. "The black kids have their friends, the Hispanic kids kind of hung together and I kind of had to weasel my way into a group."

Lacapa's first days on campus were difficult as she searched to find others who could share her heritage. But living as a minority is nothing new to many Native American students considering the forced resettlement of their lands throughout the 19th century, according to Joey Shonkwiler, a freshman with both Cherokee and Italian roots.

"I think that a lot of Native American kids are used to that — that it's just a small group overall, because of the way things have happened," he said. "It's small and it's spread out so it's tough to have a really cohesive organization."

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Joey Shonkwiler
freshman

Native American students, who make up less than 1 percent of Notre Dame's student population, face the challenges not only of finding others on campus to identify with, but some also struggle to build a support group.

Filbert Begay, a sophomore from the Navajo tribe, said finding others to identify with is a particularly daunting task. Relating to other Native American students was difficult for him because he encountered many students who claimed to be Native American but were not really in touch with their heritage. Begay said growing up on a reservation gives people a strong connection to the culture.

"When I first came on to campus, Native American to me was a person who came from a reservation, when I met Native Americans here on campus at Notre Dame, I'm sorry to say this, but I was a kind of disappointed that I didn't meet any other people who were like me," Begay said. "The only ones who I identify with are some of the Hispanics."

He attributed this to similar, and

extensive, family structures among reservation dwellers and Hispanics.

Laurence Santiago, a freshman Native American said his experience at Notre Dame thus far has been especially rewarding. He felt openly sharing his culture with receptive students made the adjustments easier. But Laurence was not raised on a reservation, and his surroundings at home were more similar to those of his Notre Dame classmates.

"It wasn't that much of a culture shock to me, you just have to be open to everything, to try to find similarities and to embrace new experiences," said Santiago. "I'm not going to be a hermit and not tell anybody about my culture, I'm going to share it — be proud."

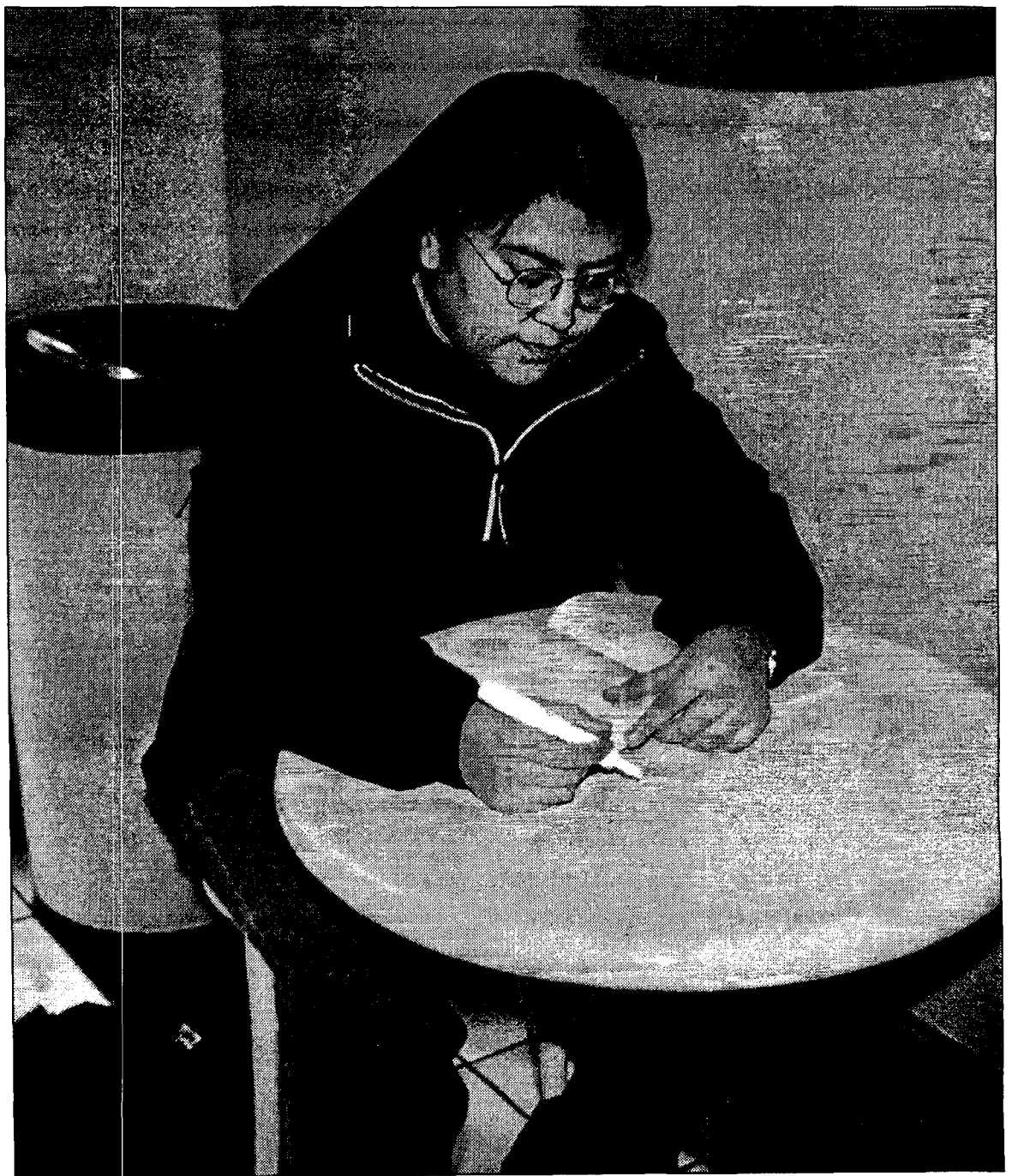
While Begay holds a deep respect for his ancestry and his culture, he does not believe labeling himself first and foremost as Native American is paramount to establishing his own true sense of self.

"I want people to judge me for

A step behind

For a multitude of reasons, Native American students have been graduating at a lower rate than the overall student body.

Class of	Native Americans	General student body
1996	67%	93%
1997	80%	94%
1998	83%	93%
1999	80%	94%



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"It was really hard my first year, because my values differ a lot from most of the students here on campus," said junior Laura Mike, who like many Native American students faced challenges adjusting to life at Notre Dame.

who I am," said Begay.

A difficult adjustment

For Santiago, the transition was smooth and provided an opportunity to meet people with equally diverse and rich backgrounds, but others with closer ties to reservation life may have experienced a more difficult time coping with the lack of a supportive community.

University statistics show that in one given year up to 40 percent of the Native American student population leaves the University. In another given year only 20 percent of Native

American students successfully graduated. In the 1998/1999 academic year, three Native American students received bachelor degrees. Such low retention and graduation rates, to some, signify that Native American students may have trouble adjusting.

"[Notre Dame] may not have been anything like where they've come from, especially if it's students coming from reservations," said Kevin Huie, advisor for the Native American Student Association.

Junior Laura Mike recalled the pains of adjusting to Notre Dame. She explained that the system of values and rationaliz-

ing was vastly different from her own. Complaints over things like shower facilities, dorm rooms, dining hall food and the shortcomings of South Bend life sometimes served to alienate her from her peers.

"It was really hard my first year, because my values differ a lot from most of the students here on campus," said Mike. "I like to live life as it is whereas a lot of my peers would make a

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Laura Mike
junior

big deal about everything, and they wouldn't appreciate everything that they have for them."

Many Native American students may experience culture shock, according to Huie. People feel compelled to conform, to blend in the hopes of being accepted.

"They feel the need to conform," Huie said. "It's very difficult because a lot of the times they don't feel like they have a voice."

And sometimes, people feel like they are forced to be a voice for their people. It is not surprising for some Native American students to meet classmates who will shy away from asking questions in order not to come off as prejudiced.

"I think a lot of people are afraid of asking questions just because they don't want to sound stereotypical or sound

ignorant about an issue," Lacapa said. "A lot of people here have never had contact with Native Americans who are very involved with their culture. And so it's more like fascination, but kind of in a standoffish way."

The geographical location of Notre Dame and the lack of a visible Native American community on campus and in the surrounding South Bend area could also partly explain the unfamiliarity of many Notre Dame students with the Native American culture.

"It's not something that they necessarily understand, there's a lot of misconceptions about it more so than a lot of other cultures just because you don't see a lot of Native American families out and about," Shonkwiler said.

Other Native American students believe Notre Dame students are receptive to opening the lines of dialogue in discussing the qualities of Native American culture. Taking the time to initiate contact and open the doors of communication is imperative to reaching a level of openness and understanding according to Santiago.

"I think Notre Dame is very accepting of my culture," he said. "It just depends on what your character is and that pretty much navigates how you're going to accept things."

Family Ties

Coming from a culture that

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prizes the family as a central driving force in the community, it is often difficult for some Native Americans to adjust to being away from home for an extended period of time.

"Native Americans are very family-based in the fact that older generations stay in the home and it's more a network of families — not individual, nuclear families," Lacapa said. "The younger generation usually stays around to take care of the older generation and then when they are ready to have a family, they have their family and the cycle continues."

Despite the renowned "Notre Dame Family," some Native American students feel that the campus community falls short as a place to build deep, personal connections with others.

"The biggest thing is their families are not around," Huie said. "As much as Notre Dame can be considered a family place, for them, it's all of their blood relatives — extended family that is so important to them and not having them here, makes a big difference for their comfort level."

Often traditional Native American homes are wary

about family members going to college far away. Instead of moving long distances away from the family, many Native American students opt to attend universities near their homes to sustain close ties.

"It's kind of a double-edged sword — more and more [parents] are starting to encourage higher education, but at the same time they're saying, 'but don't go too far,'" Lacapa said. "In that respect, the younger generation of Native Americans is trying to struggle with having an obligation to family and pursuing education."

"A university like this is very intimidating for a lot of Native Americans."

Bob Mundy
Admissions Office

Staying near home to keep family ties strong plays a strong role in helping Native American students decide where to go to college. Mike recalled that a majority of Native American students she went to school with decided to attend nearby state universities.

"A university like this is very intimidating for a lot of Native Americans because a lot of them have been raised on a reservation and it's just culturally not something to you do to leave," said Bob Mundy, director of admissions.

Throw in Notre Dame's deep Catholicism and the gap widens.

"I think distance is a big issue," Mundy said. "It's a big expanse physically — it's also a big expanse culturally."



Photo courtesy of Notre Dame Public Relations and Information

Chief Eli Little Elk (left) of the Chippewa Tribal Nation from Mount Pleasant Mich., confers with Chief William J. Hale (right) of the Shongomissi branch of the Miami tribe at a pow-wow at Notre Dame in 1991. The pow-wows were held each summer at Notre Dame, with proceeds going to advance education for Native American students at the University.

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Shakespeare's 'The Winter's Tale' to warm Notre Dame

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Writer

What do London, England and Notre Dame have in common? Well, they're both cold, both have bland food, and both have some of the most innovative and inspirational theater in the world.

The Actors From The London Stage arrived on campus Saturday evening. Originally conceived by Homer "Murph" Swander in 1975 as a way to better teach theater and Shakespeare to American drama students through short teaching sessions, the Actors from the London Stage program has grown from impromptu question and answer sessions into a formidable touring theater program.

The company consists of about five actors from notable theater companies in London such as The Royal Shakespeare Company and The Royal National Theatre of Great Britain. The actors perform with minimal props and costumes and travel by car to American universities from their base of operations. Notre Dame has recently become the host university of the company.

However, this is not Notre Dame's first brush with the program. The Actors from the London Stage have visited the University seven times before. During their most recent visit last semester, they performed "As You Like It" for packed audiences.

The company doesn't just perform Shakespeare, they also teach it, as well as any other type of theater style in which their students are interested. This is because The Actors From The London Stage tour in residencies, or one-week performance/teach-in sessions. A usual residency consists of three full-performance Shakespeare plays, two "one-handers" (one person shows created by members of the cast) and up to 30 class teach-in sessions.

The Actors From The London Stage company has come to Notre Dame with the support of the Office of

the Provost, the Department of Film, Television and Theatre, The Department of English and the College of Arts and Letters' Shakespeare Initiative. The company has been especially encouraged by the creation of the McMeel Chair in Shakespeare Studies. This endowed professorship at Notre Dame will take on the additional role of director of the Actors From The London Stage beginning next year. However busy the transition may be, the company is still working hard to create a monumental season.

This time around, the company will be serving up one of Shakespeare's romances, "The Winter's Tale." The cast, featuring Doyne Byrd, Mairead Carty, Andrew Readman, Alison Skilbeck (incidentally, Ms. Skilbeck was a member of the first AFTLS company to visit ND) and Nicholas Tigg, plays all 31 characters in this turbulent story that contains everything one could ask for in a show — from romance, to jealous fits of rage, to infidelity and even wild bears.

Don't be fooled by the minimal look of the show. Even without any special eye candy to ornament

them, the Actors From The London Stage will have you in utter awe only with the use of their incredible acting abilities.

Presented by the University of Notre Dame Department of Film, Television and Theatre, "The Winter's Tale" will be performed Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 21, 22, 23 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Washington Hall. Tickets are \$16, \$14 for senior citizens and \$12 for all students. Tickets are available in advance at the LaFortune Student Center Box Office or by calling (219) 631-8128.



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The Actors From The London Stage will be performing William Shakespeare's "The Winter's Tale" this weekend at Washington Hall. Pictured from left to right are Mailead Carty, Andrew Readman, Doyne Byrd, Alison Skilbeck, and Nicholas Tigg.

Things to do this week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
~ "Raging Bull" at Snite Museum, 7 p.m. — Admission FREE!	~ SUB: "Topsy Turvy" at 7 p.m.	~ SUB: "Shall We Dance," 101 DeBartolo at 7:30 p.m. ~ "The Winter's Tale" at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall	~ SUB: "Ill" Postino at 7 p.m. ~ "The Winter's Tale" at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall ~ SMC: Open auditions for "Gypsy," O'Laughlin Auditorium
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
~ SUB: "Best In Show" at 8 and 10:30 p.m. ~ "The Winter's Tale" at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall ~ Open Skate at 9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Cost: \$2.00 with student ID!	~ "Touch of Evil" at Snite Museum, 7:30 & 9:45 p.m. — Admission \$2 ~ "The Winter's Tale" at 7:30 p.m. in Washington Hall ~ Fiestang Filipina VII from 7 to 10 p.m. at Stepan Center. Cost: \$5.	~ Smithsonian Trio performance at Annenberg Auditorium, 2 p.m. \$3 student tickets.	

IRISH INSIGHT

Life will go on

The terse replies and gloomy looks of the Irish players following Sunday's loss to Seton Hall didn't match the upbeat message coming from their mouths.

David Graves, Matt Carroll,

Troy Murphy and Ryan Humphrey talked about controlling their own fate in the race for a regular season Big East title. They pointed to their first-place standings in the Big East West Division. They said that losses happen.

Let's hope they were listening to their words, not their body language.

Murphy appeared as comfortable as someone about to undergo a root canal. The normally chatty junior was lucky to string together an "I don't know — they had depth" as to what Seton Hall did and "yeah, I did" when asked if he took offense to Darius Lane dunking at game's end with the win already in hand. After the post-game press conference, the All-American slipped out the door faster than an Andre Barrett drive.

Murphy, who did everything possible to secure the win — except hit his free throws — with 16 board-crashing rebounds and 24 points, had good reason to be upset by his team's loss. Notre Dame's 32 percent shooting percentage, including two for 23 from behind the arc, brought the Irish eight-game winning streak to a skidding halt.

But more important than the game Notre Dame lost Sunday are the eight they won before that. All teams lose, and winning eight out of the last nine is far better than most NCAA Tournament-bound schools can claim to have done.

As Carroll said, "We've got a game or two lead. It's still our league, and we're going to think of it that way."

The Irish are still two games ahead of both Georgetown and Syracuse in the Big East West. The top two teams in each division earning a first-round bye in the Big East Tournament, and with just four games remaining, it would take a total collapse by Notre Dame to drop beyond the top two.

So the Irish lost.

Big deal. Every team — yes, every team — in the top 25 has lost at least once since Jan. 13, the last time Notre Dame lost before Sunday. 15 of those best-in-the-nation schools lost last week, five of them multiple times.

Sixth-ranked Kansas lost twice, at Baylor and Ohio State. Iowa has dropped four in a row since losing star Luke Recker to a broken kneecap. Even No. 1 North Carolina lost on Sunday, to an 11-14 Clemson squad.

Suddenly, Notre Dame's loss yesterday doesn't sound so bad.

Seton Hall's 13-10 record isn't as sparkling as Notre Dame's 17-6 standings, but the Pirates are much more talented than their loss column shows. It took some time for a team with three freshmen playing megaminutes to find its way, but Eddie Griffin,

Andre Barrett and Marcus Toney-El aren't just any newcomers — they're three of the best in the nation. If they stick around the college game for long, which I wouldn't bet a nickel on, the Pirates will find themselves in the Final Four very soon.

Speaking of the Final Four, Notre Dame's a talented enough squad to get there, if the Irish don't let yesterday's loss cloud their confidence.

Graves, though doubtless disappointed with the loss, came off as convinced that the shooting slump was just a fluke.

"We can't hang our heads with this loss," said the junior guard. "We've got something much bigger than just losing to Seton Hall. We're still two games ahead in the West. We've still got a lot to accomplish this year."

Notre Dame should hold its heads high after the way it's been playing since mid-January. The Irish have broken school record

upon school record, assuring themselves of a first-ever winning record in the Big East and more than doubling Notre Dame's previous best three consecutive league wins to eight in a row.

One loss doesn't change what Notre Dame's accomplished, and Irish coach Mike Brey knows it.

"I'm not looking for any build-ups to jump off of," said Brey.

The Irish just have to avoid settling too long on the loss. Dwelling on a loss is only useful when a team's not trying. The Irish tried, winning the battle of the boards over a taller Pirates team. They just couldn't find the hoop.

Thinking too much about the disappointment will only perpetuate the slump.

As Brey said, "A lot of how we play Wednesday will be how we handle it this afternoon, this evening, tomorrow, and move on."

Notre Dame needs to turn forward quickly, since Wednesday

brings the best team in the East Division of the Big East to town — Boston College.

Fitting that the Eagles are up next, because they just accomplished the trick the Irish are looking to replicate. After reeling off six wins in a row, BC dropped a road game to Connecticut, but bounced back to win Saturday against red-hot Providence.

The one time Murphy managed a smile after Sunday's loss was when Graves said, "It wasn't our day, and it happens. The sun will rise tomorrow."

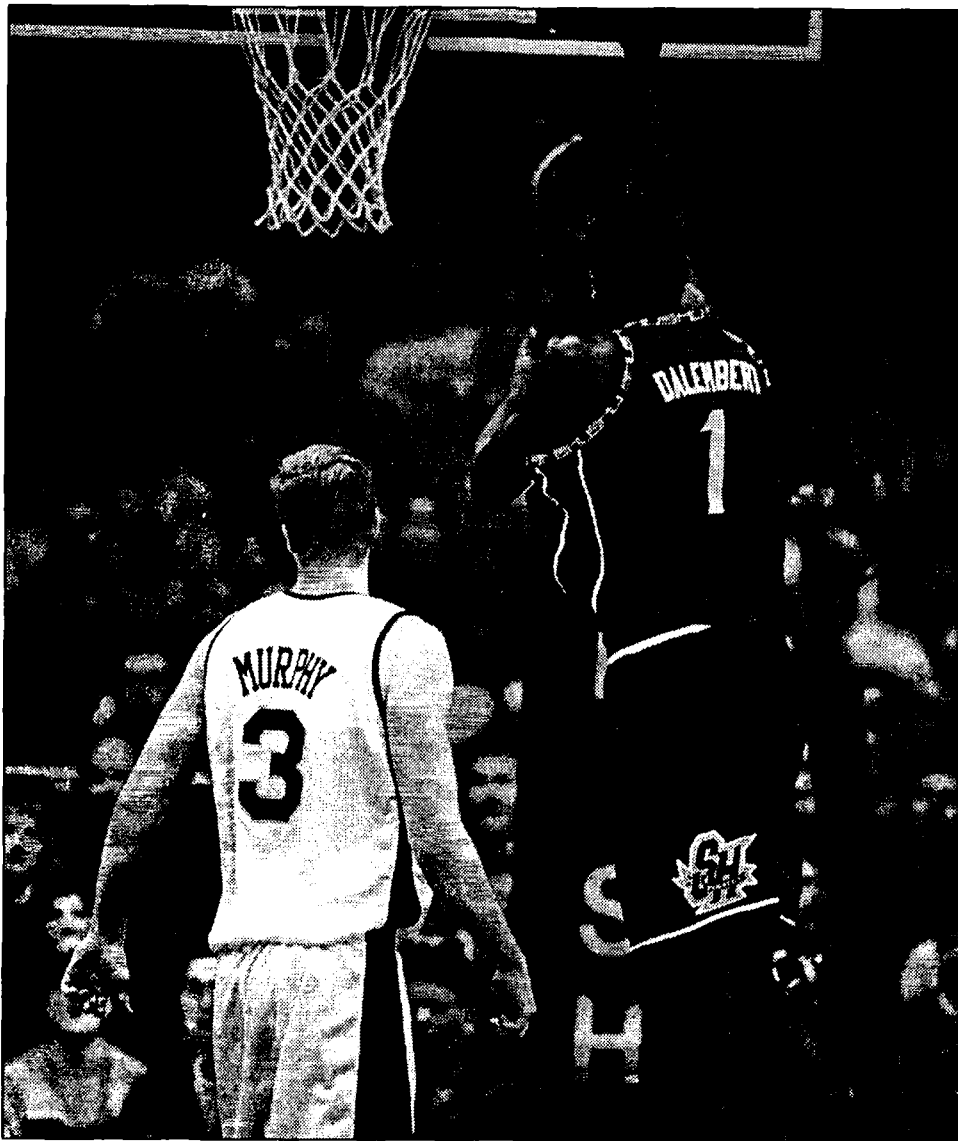
A bit corny perhaps, but he's got the right idea. Notre Dame's still one of "the hottest teams in the country," according to Seton Hall coach Tommy Amaker, and last I checked, the sun rose this morning.

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Kathleen O'Brien

Associate Sports Editor



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Troy Murphy watches as Seton Hall's Samuel Dalembert dunks in Sunday's loss to the Pirates. The loss broke Notre Dame's eight-game win streak.

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cut the lead to one, but Troy Murphy's layup rimmed out.

Both teams exchanged baskets before Seton Hall built its lead back up to 10 on a three pointer by Darius Lane with 14:59 remaining.

"In the second half we tried to play faster," Brey said. "We tried to beat them down the floor and get an easy basket."

However, nothing came easy for the Irish. Notre Dame, which had just 12 assists and 15 turnovers, would never get closer than six points.

"They are athletic and quick," sophomore guard Matt Carroll said. "We didn't get any open looks and they pressured the guys inside too."

Every time the Irish made a run, Griffin either scored, blocked a shot or created a turnover.

"He was phenomenal," Amaker said of Griffin. "I thought he played as well as you can have a person play. He got baskets for us, big-time rebounds. He bailed us out with a couple of big-time blocks late."

Murphy led the way for Notre Dame with 24 points and 16 rebounds. Carroll added 13 points and nine boards. Carroll and David Graves each went just 1-of-7 from behind the arc. Humphrey had 12 points.

Seton Hall freshman Andre Barrett scored 17 points and dished out seven assists. Darius Lane had 15 points.

The Pirates' victory snapped Seton Hall's five-game losing streak and Notre Dame's eight-game winning streak.

Notre Dame returns to the floor Wednesday for a conference showdown with No. 9 Boston College (19-3, 10-2), which stands atop the East division.

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past Irish center Ruth Riley for the score plus a foul. The foul was Riley's fifth of the game — sending the All-American center to the bench on fouls for the first time this season.

On the ensuing possession, the Irish struggled bringing the ball up the court, taking nearly 15 seconds. Guard Niele Ivey was able to move past Rutgers' Linda Miles. Irish guard Alicia Ratay then set a screen, allowing Ivey to move past Tasha Pointer. However, once Ivey reached the lane, Sutton-Brown was there to block the 5-foot-7 Ivey's shot.

"I knew it was just me and her, one-on-one," Pointer told the Home News Tribune. "At the last second she turned the corner. Thank God my big girl came through and made that block."

In hindsight, McGraw wishes she had intervened on the play.

"I should have called timeout," McGraw told the New York Times. "We were very, very tentative."

Kelley Siemon, who led the Irish with 19 points and 15 rebounds while still playing with a broken hand, agreed.

"It's a little tough," Siemon told the New York Times. "We only needed two points to win. We assumed Niele could get the ball up the floor and she being triple-teamed. There was confu-

sion at the end."

Pointer led the Scarlet Knights with 12 points and three blocked shots coming off the bench.

"She's the hero of the game," McGraw told the Associated Press. "She didn't play as well as she did in South Bend, but in the end they wanted to go to her, so they went to her and she scored. That was a great play by her."

The game was marred with questionable calls. Irish forward Ericka Haney, who scored 12 points on four of 14 shooting, felt that Rutgers

may have gotten away with too much down low.

"I think that they got a lot of breaks," Haney said. "I think that we were on the side

that didn't get the most calls. I think that had the game been played at Notre Dame, it would have been totally different."

The Irish shot 40 percent from the field, and only 50 percent from the line. Siemon was the only starter who made more than 50 percent of her shots, while the Irish got zero points off the bench.

"I wouldn't credit that to their defense, I would just credit that to us missing shots," Haney said. "I thought that there were a lot of fouls under the basket that weren't called."

Riley had her least productive game of the season for the Irish, despite scoring eight of her 12 points in the final minutes. Riley, who leads the Big East in shoot-

ing percentage and ranks near the top in free-throw shooting, made only six of 14 attempts from the field while missing her only two free throws in the final minutes.

"I don't think I was in the game at all," Riley told the New York Times. "I shot the ball poorly."

The only Irish player who didn't shoot poorly was Siemon, who made six of nine field goal attempts and shot above her season average from the line — connecting on seven of 14 free-throw attempts.

"They couldn't do anything with Kelley," Haney said. "Her taking the ball up to the basket was the one thing they really couldn't stop. I really didn't think that they had an answer for her."

The Irish now face questions heading into the post-season. The team still ranks as the No. 1 team in the Big East, as they have defeated Connecticut, the only other team in the conference with one loss in the league.

However, Notre Dame could fall to No. 2 in the NCAA bracket, as the Tennessee Volunteers also have only one loss — to the No. 3 Huskies. The Irish also now must win the Big East Tournament — where they could play both Rutgers and Connecticut — to assure a top seed during March Madness.

Right now, though, the Irish are simply looking to learn from the experience and move on towards Tuesday's home game against Miami.

"We're taking it more as a learning experience," Haney said. "We would like to see where we're going to be after the loss, but I don't think it's going to affect us that much."

"I wouldn't credit that to their defense, I would just credit that to us missing shots."

Ericka Haney
Irish forward

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Records can't propel Belles to high finish

By JANEL MILLER
Sports Writer

After strong performances led them to a fifth place position at the MIAA Swimming and Diving Championships, the Belles could only wonder where Friday and Saturday would take them after Thursday night's competition.

The Belles began their journey with two goals. First: swim to achieve a personal best. Second: beat Alma and Albion. They would soon find they lost sight of the latter, and instead focused on beating themselves.

The Saint Mary's swimming and diving team end their season with a sixth place at conferences behind both Alma and Albion. Personal best times and school records were broken, however.

"In the beginning our main focus was Alma and Albion but as the meet went on and the records started falling and people were swimming personal bests we forgot about the other teams and focused on us," said senior co-captain Colleen Sullivan.

Sullivan could not be any happier with her own performance at her last collegiate competition. On Saturday she broke the 100-yard freestyle record in prelims and then reset it that evening in finals and a fifth place finish with a time of 55.84 seconds. She was also a member of the 200-yard freestyle relay team that broke the school record and the 400-medley relay team that missed

the record by a slim margin on Thursday.

Sullivan joined by Chloe Lenihan, Lauren Smith, and Megan Ramsey took the 200-medley relay record, a time of 1:55.90 and a fourth place. Later Ramsey and Sullivan teamed with Elizabeth Doro and Maureen Palchak set the 400 free relay record (3:45.61).

The same four went on to grasp a third place and two records during the 800 free relay. As the lead off swimmer Ramsey added the 200 freestyle record to her name. The relay team with a time of 8:13.97 also conquered the record books.

Ramsey went on to break her own records in both the 100 and 200-yard butterfly events. Her third place finish and time of 1:00.87 in the 100 and second place finish and time of 2:13.5 in the 200 were not enough to make the NCAA cuts. Although she missed the sought after NCAA National qualifying times in both these events, Ramsey is satisfied with setting her own time standards this year.

"There is no way I can be upset," said Ramsey. "I still had great swims even though I didn't qualify, I dropped a huge amount of time in both races, just not enough."

Both Lauren Smith and Maureen Palchak also contributed top six finishes to the Belles. Smith taking sixth in both 100 and 200-yard breast-stroke events. Palchak complimented Sullivan's fifth place performance in the 50-yard freestyle with the sixth.

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BASEBALL

Irish top Bulldogs in close game

Special to the Observer

STARKVILLE, Miss.

Sophomore righthander Matt Laird served up a clutch double-play ball in the bottom of the 10th and freshman first baseman Joe Thaman delivered the go-ahead double in the 11th, as the 12th-ranked Notre Dame baseball team won another close game from No. 16 Mississippi State, 4-2, in final-round action Sunday at the National Bank of Commerce Classic.

Notre Dame (2-1) claimed a 2-0 lead in the sixth inning, highlighted by an RBI triple from sophomore rightfielder Brian Stavisky-whose four-hit day completed his 9-for-13 weekend. Mississippi State (0-2) then plated single runs in the sixth and eighth innings, ultimately sending the game into extra innings.

Both teams stranded 12 baserunners, with the Irish holding a 15-10 edge in hits while playing error-free in the field.

MSU--off to its first 0-2 start since 1996--dropped consecutive home games for the first time since midway through the 1998 season, when Kentucky posted 3-2 and 12-9 wins over the Bulldogs.

The first of two Bulldogs errors in the final inning put the winning run on base for the Irish in the 11th (which was predetermined to be the final inning of the game, due to Notre Dames flight schedule).

Sophomore leftfielder Kris Billmaier reached to open the 11th, after lifting a short popup down the rightfield line. Three MSU players converged on the play, with the ball kicking off the glove of senior first baseman Jon Knott--just inside the foul line--for a two-base error.

Junior third baseman Andrew Bushey then took an 0-1 offering from junior righthander Adam Larson and drove the ball up the middle, moving Billmaier to third, before Thaman stroked his second double of the game--sending a 2-2 pitch down the leftfield line for the 3-2 lead. The Irish then padded their lead after an intentional walk to freshman second baseman Steve Sollmann and junior centerfielder Steve Stanleys RBI grounder to the right side.

Laird -- who saved Saturdays 7-5 win over MSU when his lone pitch produced a double-play line-out to Sollmann--delivered a similar clutch pitch on Sunday, after relieving junior Drew Duff with runners on first and second. Laird fell behind pinchhitter Brad Rutto (2-0) before firing a pitch that Rutto hit straight to the second baseman Sollmann, who relayed the ball to senior shortstop Alec Porzel for the 6-4-3 double play.

Porzel scored the games first run in the sixth, shaking off his 1-for-11 start with a leadoff double to right field. MSU then made a change on the mound, removing senior righthander Jeff Hunter in

favor of freshman lefty Paul Maholm, but the lefthanded-hitting Stavisky continued his torrid start by tripling to the gap in right-center (his fourth extra-base hit and second triple of the season).

Two batters later, Billmaier singled to right field for a 2-0 Irish lead.

MSU pushed across a run moments later, after Jason Burkleys leadoff double, a swinging bunt to the left side that eluded sliding sophomore righthander J.P. Gagne and Michael Browns run-scoring double-play ball.

The Bulldogs tied the game in the eighth, after one-out singles by Burkley and Lewis and Steve Gendrons two-out single to left.

Irish junior righthander Matt Buchmeier tossed four shutout innings in his fourth career start, allowing just four hits and one walk while striking out one MSU batter.

Laird opened the bottom of the 11th by striking out Gendron before hustling to cover first base on Chad Henrys tricky groundball. The next pitch got away from Laird and hit Matthew Maniscalco but Laird ended the game with another tough fielding play, pouncing on a swinging bunt to the left side and throwing out Phillip Willingham for the final out.

Notre Dame has won its last six extra-inning games, since losing a 10-7 game to Boston College on April 17, 1999 (in a seven-inning game that ended in the eighth).

SOFTBALL

Irish win for best start in history

Special to the Observer

The 19th-ranked University of Notre Dame softball team set the mark for the best start in school history, completing an undefeated weekend at the Holiday Inn Invitational in Tampa, Fla., today. The Irish knocked off No. 18 South Carolina 1-0 on Sunday, giving them a 5-0 record and the Invitational tournament title. Senior Lizzy Lemire (Irvine, Calif.) and Jenny Kreich (Indianapolis, Ind.) split tournament MVP honors.

Lemire collected six hits, including a double and a triple over the weekend while Kreich had eight hits with four RBI.

Against South Carolina, the Irish rode the arm of their pitching ace, Jen Sharron (Agoura Hills, Calif.). Sharron won her third game of the tournament and tossed her second consecutive complete game of the weekend against the Gamecocks,

giving up just three hits and striking out nine. She is now 3-0 on the season with a 0.35 ERA and 26 strikeouts in three starts.

Both teams were scoreless until the top of the seventh, when Notre Dame's Andrea Loman (Riverside, Calif.) blasted a double off the wall in left centerfield to lead off the inning. Danielle Klayman (San Diego, Calif.) followed with a bunt single, moving Loman to third base.

South Carolina's Megan Matthews, who would also throw a complete game with eight strikeouts, struck out Andria Bledsoe (Higley, Ariz.) next, leaving runners on the corners with one out.

Sophomore Alexis Madrid (Temecula, Calif.) then slapped a single past third base to drive in Loman for the winning run.

Notre Dame will return to action Friday, Feb. 23, in the Lady Razorback Invitational in Fayetteville, Ark.

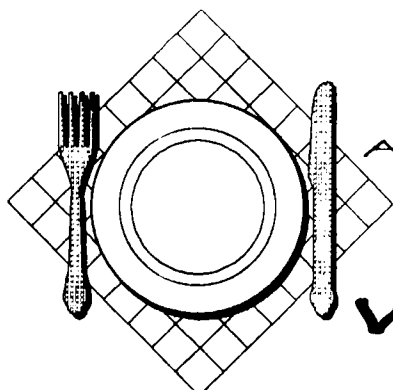
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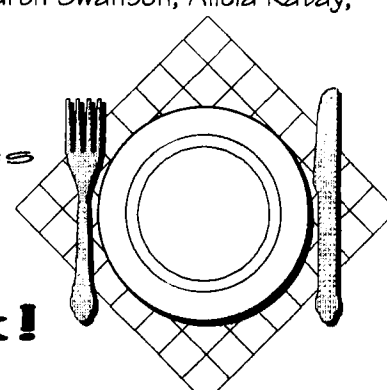
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HOCKEY

Icers rally to tie Wolverines on road

By MATT ORENCHUK
Sports Writer

Yost Ice Arena on the campus of the University of Michigan is not the easiest place to play a hockey game. Not only are the Wolverines one of the top hockey programs in the country, but their fans are notorious for being rowdy during games. It would be nearly impossible for a team down 3-1 to fight back in an environment like that.

But that is exactly what the Notre Dame hockey team did on Friday night. Down by two goals midway through the second period, the Irish battled back to tie the Wolverines 4-4 on their home ice.

It was the first regular season point earned by Notre Dame at Michigan since 1982.

The game started off well for the Irish. Rob Globke scored on the power play seven minutes into the opening period to give Notre Dame a 1-0 lead. The defense played well early for Notre Dame, and the Irish went into the intermission with their one goal lead intact.

The second period was an entirely different story. Michigan came out firing. A series of penalties gave the Wolverines a four on three advantage. Jeff Jillson was able to capitalize for Michigan and he tied the game at one with his goal 2:49 into the period. The Wolverines put two more goals on the board, first by Josh Langfeld and then another by Jillson to take a 3-1 lead at the 13:24 mark of the second period.

Then Notre Dame got a break. Even Nielsen skated out of the penalty box and received



ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

The Irish hockey team, shown above in a game against Bowling Green, tied Michigan this weekend and scored the first regular season points in Ann Arbor since 1982.

a perfect pass from teammate Ryan Dolder. Nielsen raced up the ice and put the puck past Wolverine goalie Josh Blackburn to cut the Michigan lead to 3-2.

"Nielsen's breakaway goal was the spark we needed," junior center David Inman said. "The team was able to feed off of that for us to comeback."

Michigan wasn't done yet. They added another power play goal by Langfeld to restore their two-goal lead going into the second intermission.

The third period belonged to

the Irish. On the power play, Inman got a nice rebound and flipped the puck past Blackburn to make the score 4-3.

"Dan Carlson made a perfect pass," Inman said. "I was just at the right place at the right time, and I was able to find an open net and put it away."

Brett Lebda finished off the scoring when he scored short-handed with 10 minutes left in the game. That tied the game 4-4.

The game was then a dual of the goaltenders. Tony Zasowski

was excellent in the third period and overtime while preserving the tie for the Irish. He stopped 40 shots setting a personal record.

Most importantly, the tie keeps the Irish tied for the last CCHA playoff spot. Notre Dame and Bowling Green each have 15 points and are tied for 10th in the league. The Irish, however, hold the tiebreaker over the Falcons, and if the season ended today, Notre Dame would have the last playoff spot.

Although they sit in the last playoff spot, the Notre Dame players know they can't be complacent.

Next up for the Irish is a two game series at Alaska Fairbanks this weekend.

"These are desperate times," said Inman. "[Alaska Fairbanks] is one of the teams we are fighting with for the last playoff spot. So we need to come out of next weekend with some points."

Tennis

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win at the Indoors got off to a difficult start by losing the No. 1 and No.3 doubles giving up the doubles point to the Bulldogs. Things didn't get much better for the Irish as they lost all but one of the singles matches to go down the defending national champions 5-1.

"We lost 5-1 but it was a lot closer than that," said Louderback. "If we had won the doubles point it would have made a big difference."

Lindsay Green was the only singles player to win for the Irish as Michelle Dasso's match was abandoned after Georgia clinched the victory by defeating Becky Varnum, Nina Vaughan, Caylan Leslie, and Kimberly Guy.

"They've got a lot back from last year when they won the NCAA's and they have been in pressure situations more than we have," Louderback said. "They have a lot more experience and they played better at the end of the matches than we did, but this match will help us in the future."

After struggling against a Georgia team that features four players in the top 100 in the country Notre Dame was pitted up against No. 7 Pepperdine in a consolation match. Despite the loss in the quarterfinals the Irish came out tough against Pepperdine immediately sending a message as Dasso and Varnum defeated the first-ranked doubles team of Senoglu and Paola Palencia 8-5. The win was followed by victories at Nos. 2 and 3 doubles by Cunha/Guy and Green/Vaughan that clinched the doubles point for the Irish. Establishing a 1-0 lead.

"That was a big doubles win, Michelle and Becky had faced them three times before and had never beaten them," said Louderback. "She [Dasso] was sick all weekend and stilled played well."

After upsetting the nation's top ranked doubles team Dasso beat 14th-ranked Ipek Senoglu 3-6, 6-4, 6-3 at No. 1 singles breaking the Notre Dame record for most singles victories set last year by Kelly Zalinsky. Following Michelle's lead the rest of the Irish won four of the next five singles matches, giving them the 6-1 upset and improving their record to 7-2.

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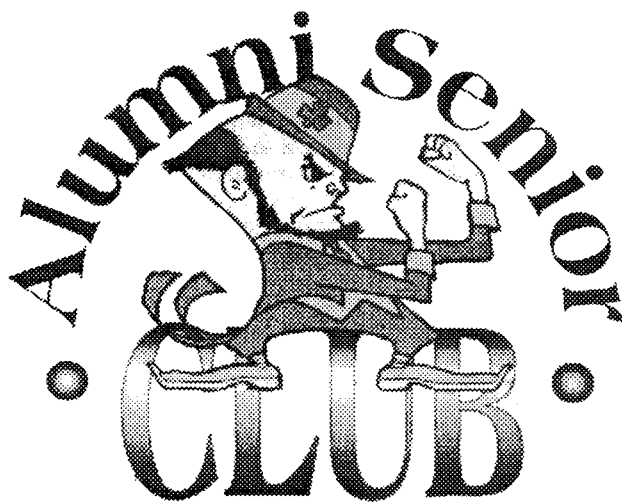


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WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Hecking breaks barrier as team wins fifth straight title

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

UNIONDALE, N.Y.

They wore bright blue shirts with the words "Bring it" written in giant yellow letters on the back, daring any Big East team to try to beat them.

And when nobody stepped forward to challenge them, the Notre Dame women's swimming team earned the right to jump into the pool once again as they captured their fifth consecutive Big East Championship.

The Irish captured first place with 672.5 points. Virginia Tech took second with 482 points, and Rutgers was third with 450.5 points. Miami, which was in second place after the first day of competition, slipped all the way to fifth place.

"Where do you begin," said Irish coach Bailey Weathers, who was named the 2001 Big East Coach of the Year. "It's a new generation of kids. To be able to win again is really important, and to make that transition is pretty incredible for us."

Last season, Notre Dame won the championship with a very talented group of seniors. When the season started, Weathers expressed concern that he might not be able to fill the gap. As it would turn out, he had no reason to worry.

Weathers brought in arguably one of his best recruiting classes since he came to Notre Dame, and it was those freshmen who stepped up to lead the Irish to victory.

But while the Irish relied on their young talent to pick up crucial points, the performances of a pair of juniors sparked the enthusiasm among the dozens of Irish supporters who turned up in Long Island to watch the championship meet.

Junior Kelly Hecking had one of the best meets of her life. She set a school record in the 100-

yard backstroke — an event she has won all three years — and took first in the 200-yard backstroke as well. Hecking also swam on two winning Notre Dame relays and swam a personal-best time in the 200-yard freestyle.

Hecking began her spectacular weekend by splitting a 55.16 in the 400-yard medley relay Thursday night. The next night, she swam a blistering 54.98 in the 100-yard backstroke, setting a new conference record and becoming the first backstroker in Notre Dame history to break the magical 55-second barrier.

"She was pretty excited about that — that's been a goal for her for a long time," Weathers said. "It's a big barrier for backstrokers."

Saturday night, Hecking continued her dominance in the backstroke events by taking first place in the 200-yard backstroke by more than a second and a half, swimming a personal-best 1:58.7.

"I thought I went two minutes, I touched the wall and I thought, 'Oh, I'll be happy with a 59,'" she said. "Then I realized I just went 58. It was amazing."

Just one event later, Hecking swam a 51.49 in the 100-yard freestyle, good enough for ninth place.

"Two lifetime bests in 10 minutes — I couldn't believe it," she laughed. Hecking also swam a leg on four relays. In all, the junior contributed 70.5 points for the Irish.

"It hasn't sunk in yet," she said. "It feels good to have the hard work pay off."

Allison Lloyd was the other junior to win an individual title. Following her contribution to the winning 400-yard medley relay Thursday night, Lloyd swam 1:02.85 in the 100-yard breaststroke and a time fast enough to earn NCAA finals consideration. A night later, she took fourth in the 200-yard breaststroke.

"This is awful nice for Allison," Weathers said. "She's a great breaststroker and deserves to win."

While Hecking and Lloyd shined individually, it was clear that Weathers found a top-notch group of swimmers with his 2004 recruiting class. While the freshmen didn't turn in many individual titles, they scored valuable places in events to help push the Irish away from any other competition.

"They're just amazing," Hecking said. "They're all so talented, and it's been so much fun to work with them and to train with them."

"Each one of them has contributed so much this year," added captain Kristen Van Saun.

Lisa D'Olier was one of many freshmen to shine during the weekend. She won both the 100-yard and 200-yard butterfly events, and swam the butterfly leg on both medley relays. D'Olier's victories are remarkable considering the freshman broke her wrist earlier in the season and wasn't even sure how she'd perform.

"I broke my wrist earlier in the year, and I doubted I'd be where I am right now," she said. "This is my first year training fly, so I wasn't expecting too much. I was just really excited to win."

As she has all season, Marie Labosky turned out solid performances across the board. In addition to winning the 200-yard

individual medley on Thursday, she took second in both the 400-yard individual medley and the 1,650-yard freestyle.

"Whatever you tell her to swim, she says, 'Okay, I'll do it', and does it really well," said Van Saun.

D'Olier and Labosky were only two of the freshmen to score for the Irish. In all, of the 15 swimmers who placed in the top eight for Notre Dame, six were freshmen.

The dominance of the freshmen was perfectly symbolized in the 200-yard butterfly. Halfway through the race, D'Olier, Lisa Garcia, and Sarah Bowman were fourth, fifth, and sixth. But the trio moved their way up through the field, and had the Irish sup-

porters in the stands on their feet screaming for a first through third sweep. When the three swimmers touched the wall one after another, the Irish broke into a frenzy.

"I think [the freshmen] are going to do a lot for our program," said Weathers. "They've done a lot here this weekend, they're both young in the sports, and it's going to be exciting to see them swim the next three years."

Weathers' excitement is reflected throughout the rest of the team. Each swimmer speaks with confidence and enthusiasm. Everyone, from the freshmen to the captains, knows that this weekend's championship was just the first step on their road to national prominence.



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The women's swim team celebrates winning their fifth consecutive Big East Championship at this weekend's meet.

Swimmers see Weathers as not just coach, but second dad

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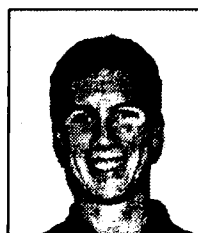
At first glance, Bailey Weathers doesn't exactly strike you as the type of man who would lead the women's swim team to five straight Big East championships.

He's quiet, mild-mannered, and doesn't exactly say a whole lot. In fact, it's hard to believe that this soft-spoken man is the primary reason behind Notre Dame's success.

But as the swimmers will readily tell you, there is more to Weathers than you can tell when you first meet him.

"He gets really quiet sometimes, but you just have to get to know him," said Lisa D'Olier. "He'll run around, tap your shoulder, and run away, and play little jokes on you. He has this whole other side to him."

Weathers embodies the model of an ideal swim coach. He is a master recruiter — shown by the talent he consistently brings in — and an expert at training methods. During his six-year tenure as Notre Dame's swim coach, he has produced 10 All-Americans, but he's probably more proud of his 15 Academic All-Americans. He's been named Coach of the Year almost as many times as Notre Dame has won the Big East title.



Andrew Soukup

Irish Insight

But there is a much deeper side to Weathers that only a few people ever see.

"He gets in goofy moods," said senior Carrie Nixon. "He got things up, the spirals up on deck. Even during practice all year, he's dancing around."

"Sometimes, we wonder just how old he really is," laughed freshman Lisa Garcia.

Weathers has been known to pull some crazy stunts. Just ask his swimmers.

"Probably the funniest thing I've ever seen is when we were out to dinner one night, and we got him to get up and dance on the dance floor," said senior Kristen Van Saun. "I've never seen him dance before."

Or there was the time that Weathers jumped off the diving board with his clothes on.

"Marie was swimming fast and he said, 'If you go 2:07, I'll jump off the diving board with my clothes on,'" said Kelly Hecking. "She goes, 'Really?'" And the next lap she went 2:07. And at the end of practice, he did it with his wind pants on. He went home with one of the assistant coach's tight little pants on. It was hilarious."

"He just jumped up and down on the board and then jumped in, and he's in a little ball and his hair is all flopping, and it was just the funniest thing," said freshman Danielle Hulick.

And the one time that Weathers got mad, his swimmers had a hard time taking him seriously.

"One day he just yelled at us and made

us do wall sits for 30 minutes," Hulick said. "It was the funniest thing. He was like a drill sergeant and you never see Bailey get mad."

But the reason why Weathers is so loved by his swimmers can be seen in how he transcends the traditional distance between coaches and athletes that characterizes college sports. Weathers is more than just a coach to his swimmers, he's a father.

"I think that for a lot of us he's a dad away from home," said Van Saun. "I don't know a lot of college coaches that care so much about their swimmers out of the pool. I guess it's that because he cares about me so much as a person and not just what I'm doing for him in the pool."

"I think a lot of coaches just care about the sport aspect of your life," said Carrie Nixon. "He cares about everything else, too."

Weathers is always interested in the social life of his swimmers, going so far as wanting to meet their boyfriends. But he's always available at any time. Weathers' greatest strength is his ability to listen. He has his team over to his house frequently for dinner, and he actually shows genuine interest in his swimmer's lives. He stresses academics and social life just as much as he wants them to swim. In short, he treats his swimmers not just as athletes, but as people.

And for that, he earns a ton of respect.

"I respect him as a person, not just as a coach," said Garcia.

Weathers says that attending Notre Dame means more than being just a student or an athlete. It involves living a quality life. He always talks about how the spirit of Notre Dame and how it attracts quality people. Especially to his team, Weathers is one of those quality people.

When it was announced that Weathers was named Big East Coach of the Year for the fourth time in his career, the women's swim team erupted into cheers. They chanted "B-Dub!" and yelled "We love you Bailey" as Weathers walked to the podium to receive his award.

After, when the women's team was receiving the championship trophy, when asked

if he was looking forward to getting thrown in the water as he has every year since Notre Dame started their streak of Big East title, Weathers casually replied, "Not really."

The broad grin on his face said otherwise.

In fact, Weathers must have been so eager to get in the water that he jumped in himself instead of waiting for his swimmers to throw him in.

Weathers downplays his success as a coach and gives all the credit to his swimmers.

"It feels good, but I think a lot of that goes to the kids," he said. "It really comes down to how hard they work and their improvement."

But it's a lot easier to work hard when you've got a coach as good as Bailey.

MEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING

Notre Dame swimmers take fourth at Big East Champs

By TIM CASEY
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Five minutes after Saturday night's final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay, Notre Dame coach Tim Welsh grinned and held up the four fingers on his right hand.

It was not an unusual scene, for Welsh always exudes an externally optimistic view of his team's performance. But the gesture symbolized the Irish's fourth-place finish, a standing that excited Welsh because just moments before, the final verdict was still unsettled. When the official results were tallied, they showed Notre Dame with 385.50 points and Rutgers with 385 points.

For the fifth straight year, Pittsburgh dominated the Big East Championships. The Panthers scored 647 points, a total that put them comfortably ahead of St. John's (428 points) and Virginia Tech's 417 points. And the Irish, who were second the previous two years, matched their placement at the 1998 conference championships.

"We did what we were capable

of doing," Welsh said. "Do we wish we were capable of doing more? Sure we do. But when we do the best job we can do, the scoreboard will take care of itself."

The 2001 conference meet for the Irish was highlighted by a few solid individual performances but their lack of depth was also evident. Four swimmers (senior Ryan Verlin, junior Jonathan Pierce, sophomore Jason Fitzpatrick and freshman Matt Obringer) posted at least two individual top-eight finishes. Yet only one other swimmer, senior Dan Szilier, could manage to rank among the top eight in an individual event. Szilier, the runner-up in last season's 200-yard breaststroke, finished fifth in that same event this year.

"The guys who led us all season long led us here as well," Welsh said.

At a school where each student must pass a mandatory swim test as a freshman, Pierce staked the

claim this weekend as Notre Dame's most accomplished male swimmer. After recording a third-place finish in the 500-yard freestyle on Thursday, Pierce placed fourth in Friday's 400-yard individual medley and third in the 1,650-yard freestyle on Saturday.

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Tim Welsh
head coach

of swimming under 15:30 in the 1,650 freestyle, an event that Pierce won the last two years, but his time of 15:43.73 for the 66 laps did not cause much concern on Saturday.

"Overall, it was a good weekend," Pierce said. "Sure, it's kind of a disappointment that I didn't place as high as I wanted to (in the 1,650). But I was real happy with my time in the 400 IM. I

consider it my third-best event.

"This is definitely the culmination of the season for us. Of course we're working towards the national championships but this is a meet we can all share. And I think the team performed very well."

As was the case on Thursday, the divers once again provided the Irish with some crucial points. Sophomore Andy Maggio placed second in the three-meter final on Friday night, while senior Herb Huesman finished fifth. Maggio missed out on second by just 0.8 points.

One night earlier, Maggio was second and Huesman was fourth in the one-meter competition.

"My overall consistency has improved from last year," Maggio said. "The goal is to be able to be certain you're going to hit your dives. I didn't really do anything spectacular (on Saturday) but I didn't miss anything either."

Said Welsh: "I've been here for 16 years and there's probably one other diver, who has dove for 4 years, who would compare with Herbie and Andy."

Welsh believes he has another rising star in Fitzpatrick. The Arizona native attended the Notre Dame summer swimming

camp as a junior in high school and fell in love with the school. He made an impact last year and placed seventh in the 100-yard breaststroke at the Big East Championships. This weekend, Fitzpatrick showed improvement and finished sixth in the 100 breaststroke and third in the 200-yard breaststroke. His time in the 200 (2:02.54) was nearly three seconds faster than last year's best clocking.

"I'm real happy with my performance," Fitzpatrick said. "Hopefully I can continue to improve."

The Irish will lose nine seniors to graduation in May, including Verlin (who placed sixth in both the 200-yard butterfly and 400-yard individual medley) and Szilier. But a talented group of younger swimmers, particularly Obringer, the eight-place finisher in the 200 and 500-yard freestyle, cause Welsh to once again flash his trademark smile.

"If you asked me last week what we're capable of doing, this is what we were capable of doing," Welsh said. "Did we ever in the entire season hope for more? Of course we did. We'll just want to do more the next time."

Huesman bounces back from illness into Big East

On page nine of the men's swimming and diving media guide, directly below a photograph of diver Herb Huesman, there is Huesman's short biography.

It reads: Returns for a fifth-year of eligibility after missing the 1998-99 season recovering from an injury.

Referring to Huesman's condition as an "injury" is like calling Monica Lewinsky a former Washington intern. They're both true statements but they reveal only a small fraction of the story.

The real reason Huesman did not dive during his junior season was far more serious than a sprain or a strain.

He had a tumor.

In the fall of 1998, Huesman first noticed the swelling in his ribs, just below his left breast. So he went to a doctor, who told Huesman to return if it grew.

A few weeks later, after it enlarged to about the size of a quarter, Huesman called the doctor. He was diagnosed with a tumor in September. After visiting "around eight" doctors, one month later, Huesman underwent surgery in his hometown of Cincinnati.

"It was one of the most frightening things I've been through," Huesman said. "Just the not knowing how things will go."

Not knowing how things will go. The perfect theme for Huesman's journey the past few years.

This weekend, at the Big East swimming and diving championships, Huesman placed fourth

in the one-meter and fifth in the three-meter diving finals. Again, the previous sentence presents merely the facts.

Before Thursday's one-meter event, Huesman had only dove for three weeks. He hurt his shoulder during the Indiana Invitational in November and was sidelined until last month. Even in the past few weeks, Huesman had only attempted 15 dives per day (as compared to the normal load of 60-90) and the pain in his shoulder remained. But Huesman refused to miss the final conference championships of his career.

"I'm just trying to get through the weekend," Huesman said on Thursday, after the one-meter final, "without having my shoulder fall off."

Scary statement.

One day after uttering those words, on his fifth dive in the three-meter event, an inward two-and-a-half pike, Huesman jumped off the springboard and felt pain in his left shoulder.

"You know how your shoulder ends?" said Huesman, pointing to his right shoulder. "It went all the way out. It was out for a second and then it slid back in."

Even though he had dislocated his shoulder, Huesman still performed a reverse one-and-a-half with two-and-a-half twists on his sixth and final dive. It was also the last dive of his college career. Although he qualified for the NCAA zone meet in March, Huesman will undergo surgery in the next few weeks.

"If I would have had to end my

career one way, this wouldn't be it," Huesman said. "But I've been lucky, I've been blessed. Probably in a week or two it will be a different feeling."

When you devote a minimum of two hours per day, five days a week to diving since you were eight years old, like Huesman has, reflections are sure to arise.

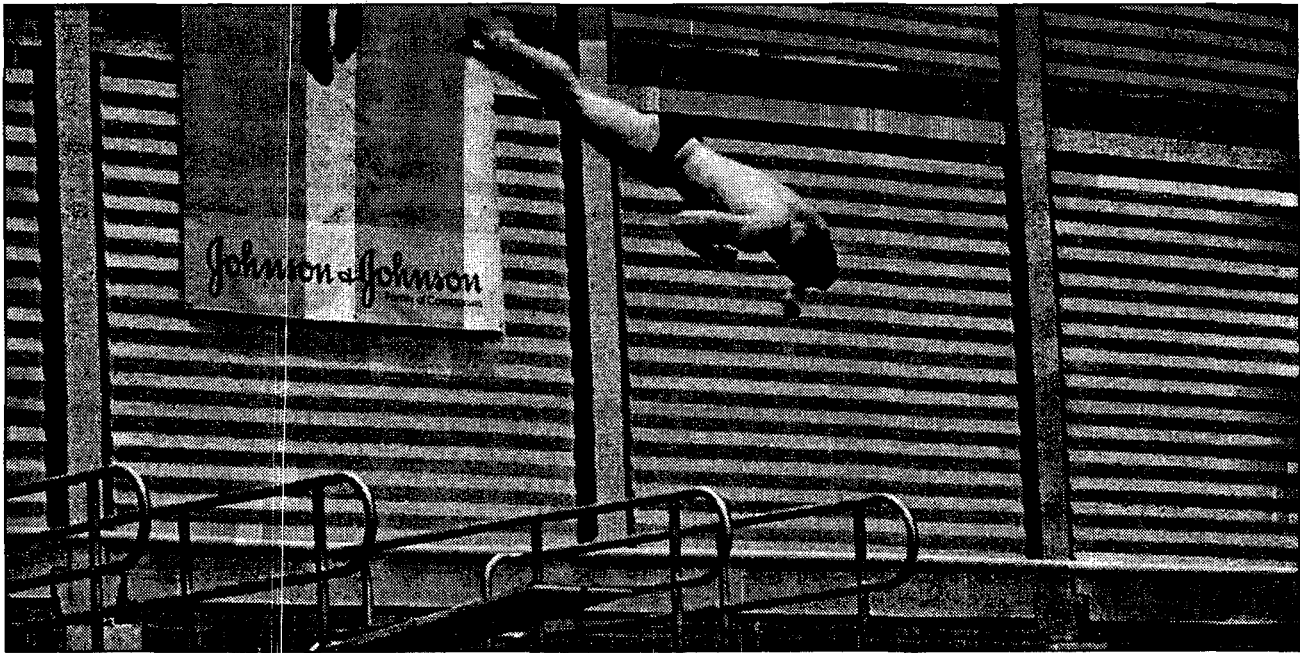
Huesman began on the one-meter and three-meter springboard while diving for the Cincinnati Stingrays club team. At age 12, he tried the 10-meter platform event for the first time. It quickly became his favorite.

"Have you been up there?" Huesman asked. "You should walk up there and look down."

For those unfamiliar with the platform, proceed to the third floor of your dorm, house or apartment complex and look out a window. Imagine 10-15 feet of water on the ground.

Now dive.

"It's fun and it's exhilarating," Huesman said. "I miss doing it."



Herb Huesman, shown above, overcame cancer and a shoulder injury to compete in this weekend's Big East Championships. Huesman placed fourth in the one-meter finals and fifth in the three-meter event.

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Since then, the tumor has not returned.

Huesman returned to school in January 1999 but could not resume diving until April. By the time the Big East championships rolled around last year, Huesman had regained his strength and finished fourth in both events. He also set the school-record in the three-meter during a meet against Oakland.

This year, with the shoulder injuries in November and then again on Friday night, has certainly been a struggle. But Huesman understands things could be far worse.

"You're stressing about a test and then you find something like this (the tumor) out," Huesman said. "You're just like 'It's probably not such a big deal in the grand scheme of life.' It puts things in perspective for sure."

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Hornets sting Belles 88-53 in regular season finale

By KATIE McVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

The Saint Mary's basketball team ended its regular season on a low note, dropping Saturday's game to Kalamazoo 88-53.

"It was a bad game," sophomore starting guard Katie Christiansen said.

That summed up the game, as the 35-point win margin set a record for Kalamazoo as the largest margin of victory in Hornet history. The 88-point win also ranked No. 1 for number of points scored in a single game.

Rebounding was at the top of the list of problems Saint Mary's faced on Saturday. The Belles only grabbed 30 total rebounds compared to the Hornets' 52.

"We didn't rebound at all," Christiansen said. "It killed us. That was the big thing."

The Kalamazoo offense kept the ball at the Kalamazoo end of the floor and provided second and third chances for shots.

"I think our thing was that we were boxed out and nobody would go after the ball," Christiansen said. "They would get their second and third shots."

The first half was bleak for the Belles, with only 18 points and an 18.5 shooting percentage. The Hornets led 46-18 after the first 20 minutes of play.

Kalamazoo's consistent man-to-man coverage kept the Belles shooting percentage down and knocked the team off-track. Although the Belles had a better second half, shooting 37.5 percent from the floor, they couldn't come back from the 28-point first-half deficit.

"They played really good defense, they pressured us really well," Christiansen said. "It's hard to get into a rhythm."

The Hornets got right into a rhythm, however. They had a season high 51.4 percent from the floor.

"It was their senior night, they were pumped and ready to play," Christiansen said. "The first half they hit all their shots and we had an off shooting night."

And it truly was senior night for Kalamazoo seniors Lindsay Drury and MaryJane Valade. Drury, a starting forward, led the Hornets with 16 points along with eight rebounds. Valade scored 10 points along with seven rebounds and four assists. Joining the senior effort were sophomores Amanda Weishuhm and Stephanie Getz with 15 and nine points respectively.

Senior guard Julie Norman, who was playing in the last regular season game of her college career, led in scoring and rebounding for Saint Mary's. Norman scored 11 points and had three rebounds. Anne Blair chipped in eight points and guard Mary Campione scored six. Elizabeth Linkous grabbed six boards, leading the Belles in rebounding.

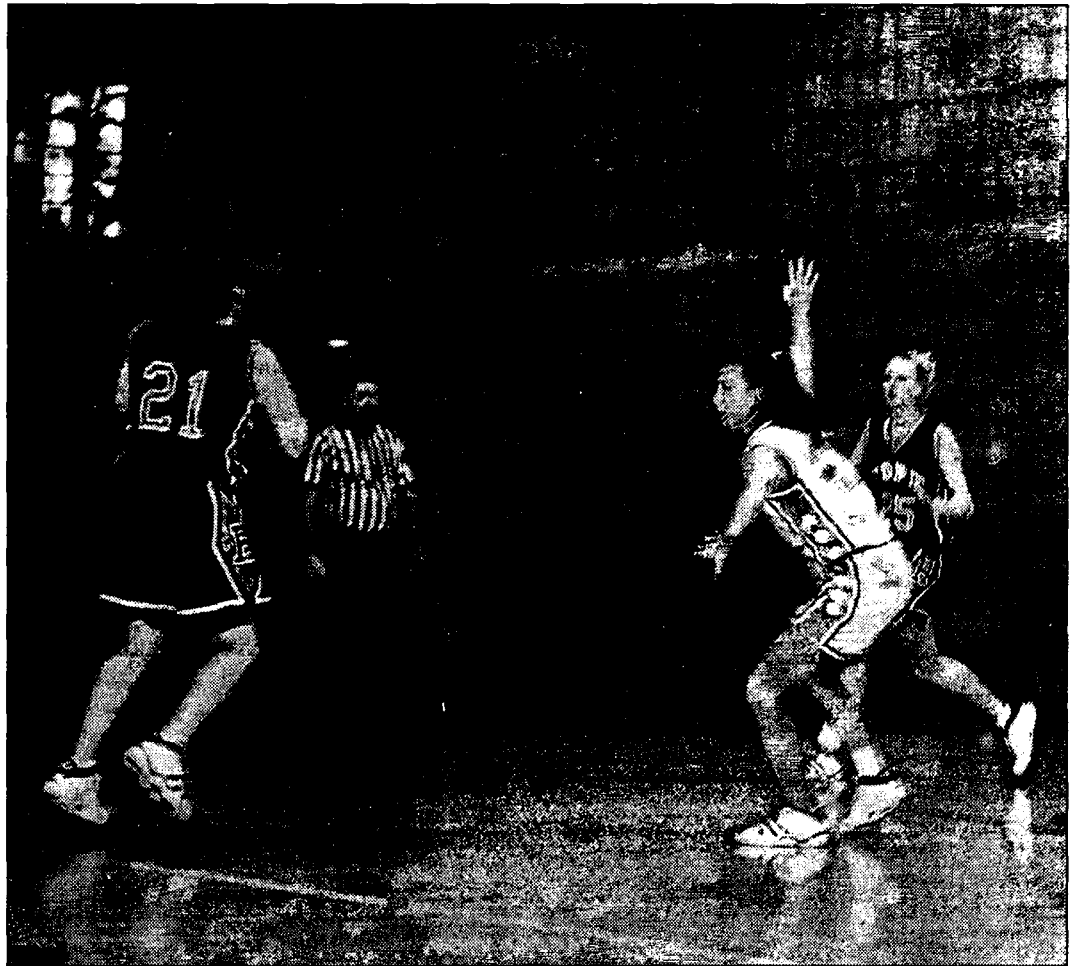
The Belles came into the game looking for a win to possibly boost their MIAA playoff seed; Saturday's loss guaranteed that they will face off against league leader Hope College during round one of tournament play. They know they will have to step up their play.

"We just know we can't take Hope lightly and we have to play our hardest

against them," Christiansen said. "We know that we can't [play like we did Saturday] against Hope; that just isn't

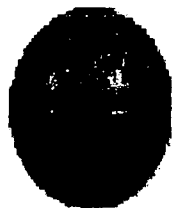
good."

The Belles will tip off against Hope Tuesday night at Hope.



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The Belles ended their season with a loss to conference rival Kalamazoo, 88-53. Saint Mary's now faces the top ranked Hope College (shown above in a previous match-up with the Belles) in the MIAA tournament that begins Tuesday night at Hope.



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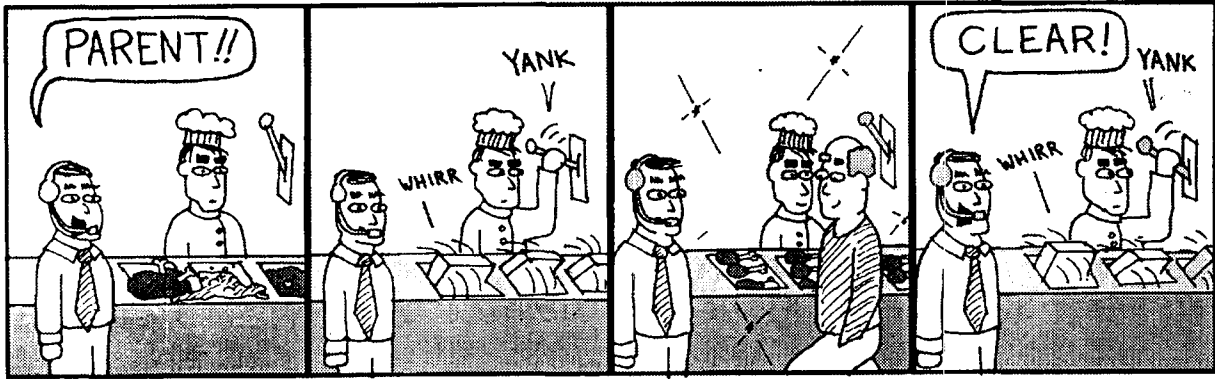
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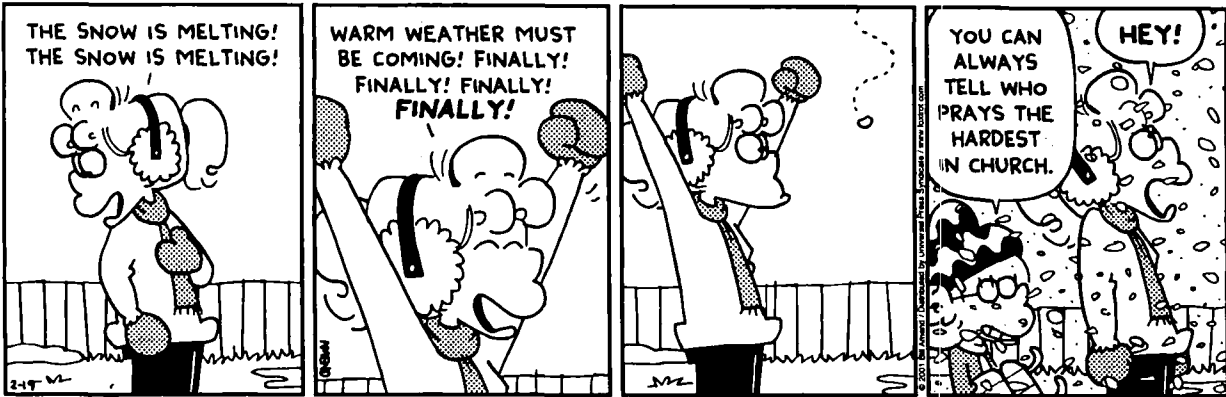
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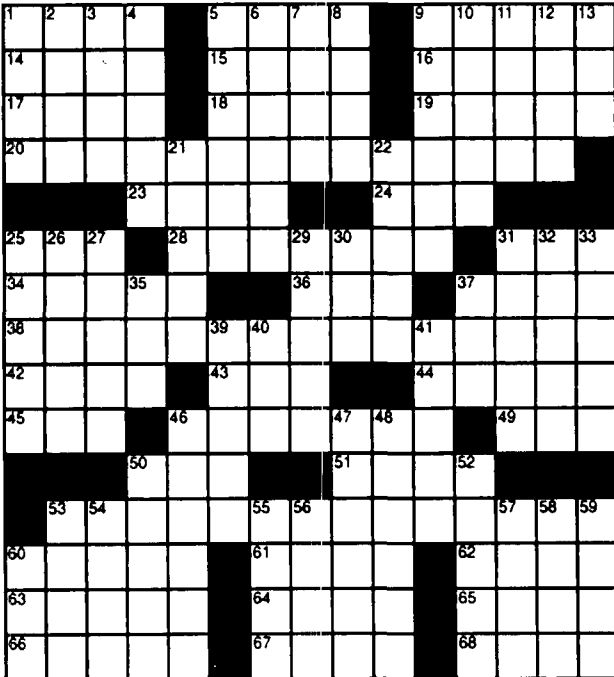
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Last undefeated team falls to Rutgers

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So much for a perfect season.

The No. 11 Rutgers women's basketball team avenged a Jan. 6 loss at the Joyce Center, toppling the nation's only undefeated team, 54-53 on Saturday night.

Tammy Sutton-Brown led the Scarlet Knights, converting a three-point play with 28.1 seconds remaining before blocking Niele Ivey's last second shot under the basket.

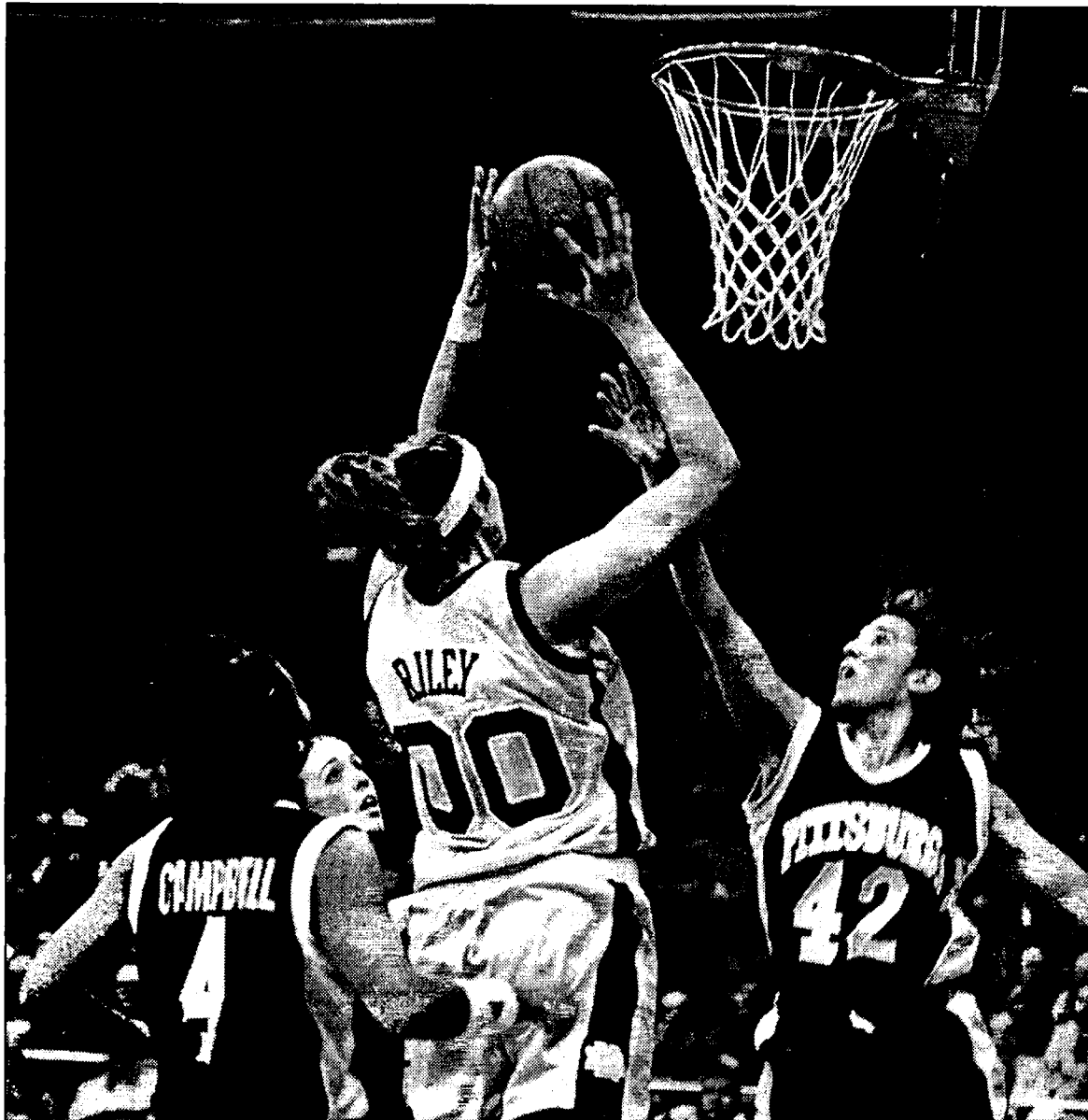
The loss drops the Irish to 23-1 overall, 12-1 in the Big East.

"There was absolutely no burden at all," Irish coach Muffet McGraw told the Associated Press following the game. "We wanted to go through the whole year undefeated."

As for suggestions that a loss would be good for the Irish, who have never been undefeated this late in a season, McGraw disagreed.

"I don't see it that way," McGraw said. "I think this was a great opportunity for us to get a big win on the road and we missed our opportunities at the end."

The game was decided when the Scarlet Knight guards found Sutton-Brown open on the lower-left block, where she powered



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The Scarlet Knights of Rutgers ended Notre Dame's perfect season Saturday by one point, 54-53. Ruth Riley, who fouled out for the first time this season, had 12 points in the contest.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

League winning streak ends against Pirates

By BRIAN KESSLER
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Seton Hall forward Eddie Griffin proved why he might be the best freshman in the country Sunday.

Griffin, who was suspended for the last meeting with Notre Dame, scored 24 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead Seton Hall (13-10, 4-8) to a 74-64 victory over No. 14 Notre Dame (17-6, 9-3).

"Give Seton Hall a lot of

credit," Irish head coach Mike Brey said. "They came out ready to play. They played loose and they played together. They took everything away from us and rattled us."

The Pirates contested every shot and held the Irish to just 32 percent shooting from the field.

"I think their wingspan bothers us," Brey said. "They are one team that gives us problems and I think that was evident today. They have length on the perimeter and I don't think we reversed the ball enough. We took a lot of quick shots and I think that played into their hands."

Notre Dame, which ranks first in the Big East in three-point field goal percentage (40.1 percent), made just 2-of-23 shots from behind the arc.

"When you shoot eight percent from the three point line, you're not going to win," Graves said.

"One of our key emphasis points was to take away the three pointer," Seton Hall

head coach Tommy Amaker said. "But I think they missed a lot of shots they would normally make."

The Irish trailed 35-27 at the break, but quickly cut the lead to three on a rebound goal by Harold Swanagan and

a three-point play by Ryan Humphrey.

However, on the next possession, the Irish could have

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish come back to upset No. 7

By STEVE KEPPEL
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The National Team Indoor Championships was a tournament of ups and downs for the Irish as they won decisively in the first round against Oklahoma State but lost to defending national champion Georgia in the quarterfinals and then came back and upset No. 7 Pepperdine in a consolation match.

The match against Pepperdine was highlighted by Senior All-American Michelle Dasso as she defeated the No. 1 doubles team in the country with Becky Varnum and then went on to break the ND record for most singles wins with her 123rd victory coming against No. 14 Ipek Senoglu.

"Well, we had a good weekend," said coach Jay Louderback. "It's good for Michelle because she has been such a big part of the program and she wants to do well for the team."

The Irish women came to the National Indoors on a streak of five straight wins and hoped to advance past the quarterfinals after losing there last year. On Thursday the 11th ranked Irish took on 40th ranked Oklahoma State where they took four of six singles matches to get the doubles point after the 5-2 win. The 5th ranked duo of Michelle Dasso and Becky Varnum started off the tournament with an impressive victory over the 45th-ranked team of Ashleigh Dolman and Maria Phillips 8-1 at No. 1 doubles. That match was followed by victories from Cunha/Guy and Green/Vaughan to seal the doubles point.

Dasso also came out strong in singles tying the Notre Dame record with 122 victories in a solid win at the No. 1 spot. Oklahoma State rallied, however, winning the next two singles matches tying the score 2-2. The tie was broken by Freshman Caylan Leslie who won 6-2, 6-0 at No. 4 singles and Becky Varnum then clinched the match with a straight set victory at No. 2 singles.

After winning in the first round two years in a row the Irish were set to take on 2nd ranked Georgia in the quarterfinals. The Irish were looking for their first ever quarterfinal

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