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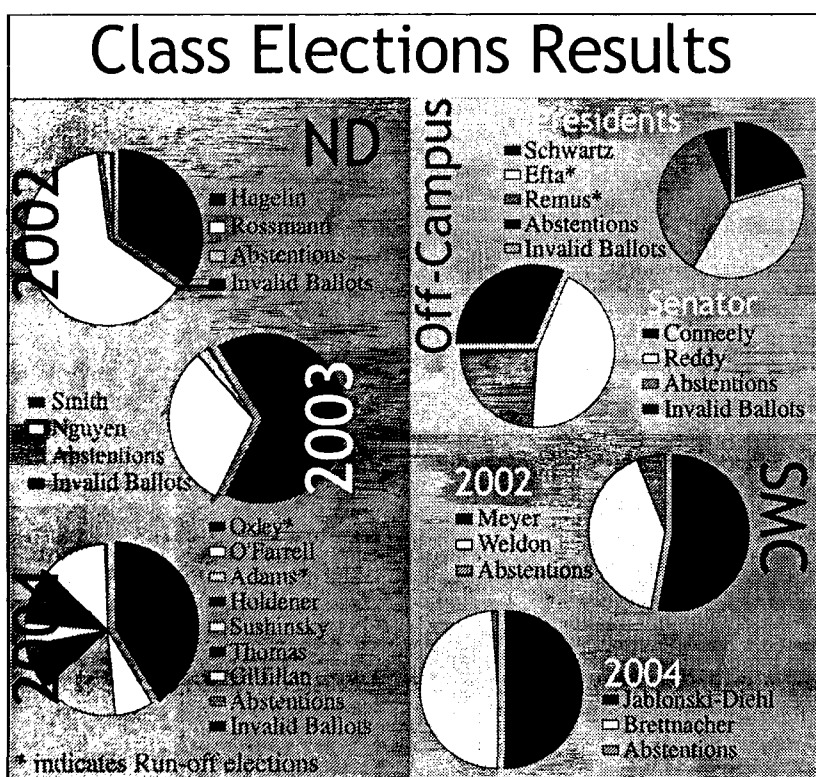
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ND, SMC elect class representatives in seven races



♦ Rossmann, Smith tickets elected; class of 2004 faces run-off election at ND

By JASON McFARLEY
 Assistant News Editor

Winning tickets from the classes of 2002 and 2003 notched big victories in Wednesday's class council primary while the election set up a runoff between two tickets on the 2004 ballot.

The Peter Rossmann ticket captured 63 percent of the 2002 vote to comfortably defeat the Becky Hagelin ticket 461-252. In the 2003 race, Matt Smith's ticket carried more than 66 percent of votes on its way to an easy 629-297 win over the Son Nguyen ticket.

In the 2004 contest, which featured seven tickets, the Keri Oxley ticket emerged the clear favorite — leading its nearest challenger by nearly 300 votes — but failed to receive a majority of the 1,140 cast ballots. The Oxley ticket's 469 votes asserted it as the top con-

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♦ SMC Run-off elections decide Meyer, Jablonski-Diehl to represent classes

By KATIE MILLER
 News Writer

Run-off elections were held Wednesday for the class boards of 2002 and 2004.

Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl and Linda Janke won 50 percent of the vote in the class of 2004 election. Kym Dunlap and Brandy Jans are the newly elected sophomore class secretary and treasurer.

"We have a bunch of monthly events planned to rally the sophomore class. We hope to start off with events that will help the sophomores get to know each other," said Jablonski-Diehl.

The Brettbacher/Hall ticket received 48.8 percent of the vote; 1.2 percent of the voters abstained.

Following Monday's election, the Brettbacher/Hall ticket had led the class of

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Alumni Association honors students

By NICK SWEEDO
 News Writer

Notre Dame undergraduate student Brett Perkins and graduate student April Langley were recently chosen as the recipients of the 2001 Alumni Association Distinguished Student awards.

The Alumni Association annually awards two students who best exemplify the spirit of Notre Dame through community service and academic excellence.

"We are blessed to have two people who exemplify many students at Notre Dame in what they do for the community, in the classroom and for fellow Notre Dame students," said Chuck Lennon, the Executive Director of the Alumni Association. "They are truly great representatives of what the Alumni Association tries to do with this award, that is, honoring two great young people."

Perkins is a senior finance major and theology minor. In addition to his studies, he is president of the handbell choir, vice-president of Beta Gamma Sigma, a resident assistant of Keough Hall and a stu-

dent coordinator of the NDE retreats. He also actively participates in the Knights of Columbus chapter, Celebration Choir and the RCIA (Right of Christian Initiation of Adults).

Perkins said time management was the key to balancing his many activities.

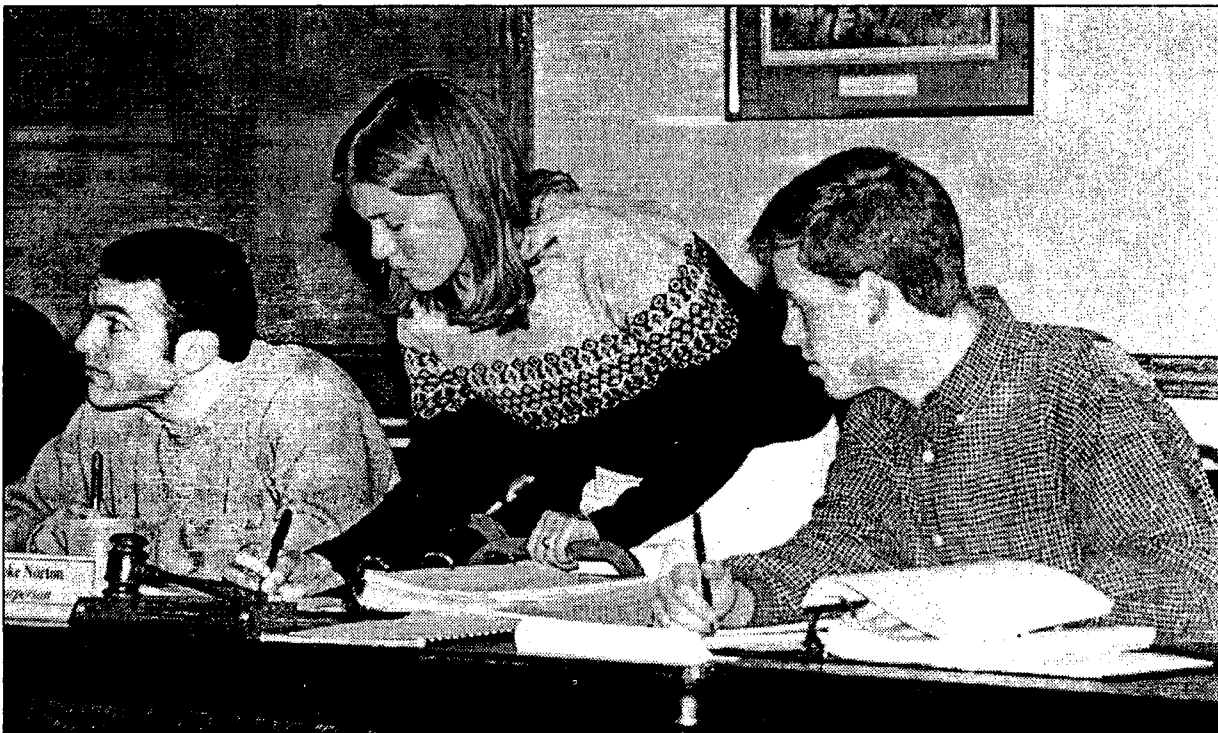
"I remember what my freshman chemistry teacher, Dr. Rudy Bottel, told our class. He told us to make use of 'prime-time' hours from nine to five, so I try to take advantage of that. That usually leaves the evenings open for extra-curricular activities," he said. "Throughout my hectic schedule, I always try to keep the focus on God, always remembering that there's a greater meaning in everything I do and that everything I do helps strengthen the kingdom of God."

After graduation, Perkins will work in Chicago for Arthur Andersen as a business consultant.

Langley is currently working on her doctoral thesis in English and has a 4.0 GPA. She has taught freshman composition at Notre Dame and has been

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STUDENT SENATE



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Brian Moscona, student body vice president elect; Brooke Norton, student body president elect and current vice president; and Trip Foley student body secretary (l to r) sit at the Wednesday night senate meeting.

Bookstore costs committee created

By LAURA ROMPF
 Assistant News Editor

Communication between faculty, students and the bookstore is essential for positive changes to be made, Knott Hall senator Michael Pfaff told the senate Wednesday night.

Pfaff, along with the Academic Affairs committee, presented a resolution regarding the formation of the bookstore academic committee.

"We want to investigate how the bookstore is run and how the bookstore can better serve the student body," Pfaff said. "Right now, there is no formal forum between the student body and the bookstore. This resolution will create a forum."

Pfaff said the new committee will be comprised of two senators, a Student Union Board (SUB) member, a member of Flipside, an office of the president representative, a faculty senate member and a member

of the bookstore's managerial staff.

"The goal of this committee will be to serve student interests as well as the bookstore's interests," Pfaff said. "We want the bookstore to be a more integral part of student academic life and student social life."

Pfaff said members of SUB and Flipside were included on the committee because suggestions have been made to use the

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INSIDE COLUMN

Hanging Up

I had a two-minute phone conversation tonight. Actually, when I really sit down and think about it, I've probably had a two-minute phone conversation every day this week. Admittedly, it's hardly ample time to "reach out and touch someone" — in fact, it's not even adequate time for a healthy hello and goodbye. I could justify it if my phone were broken or my bill was too high, but sadly, the reason my conversations are so short is me.



Noreen Gillespie

Managing Editor

A two-minute phone conversation is not a mortal sin; in fact, most of us have one every day. We use them to call up to friends' dorm rooms to let them know we're waiting outside, we use them to set up times to meet in the dining hall. We use them to make appointments; we use them to confirm plans for Heartland and Senior Bar.

But when that two-minute phone conversation consists of your entire relationship, it can start to feel like a mortal sin.

Last October, the military sent my boyfriend packing to Richmond, VA — a grand total of 708.3 miles from South Bend (driving time approximately 12 hours barring any traffic delays.) The typical US Airways flight can get me there in about five hours, at the average cost of \$255.50, granted I book at least 14 days in advance. With the crippling disabilities of few free weekends and a distressed bank account, the telephone ends up making up the bulk of our communication — and our relationship.

Essentially, our relationship has ended up completely dependent on a third party — it's not just Noreen and Mark, it's Noreen, Mark and the telephone. While I'm gratefully indebted to this third party that keeps our relationship going, I'm beginning to resent its constraints. With two different schedules — his lasting during the peak day hours and mine pumping through the night — neither of us end up near the telephone often enough to make a connection.

It usually goes something like this: I glance at the clock and realize that once my shift is over, he's just getting up. 'I could call,' I think to myself, and pick up the phone as he's running out the door. As we say goodbye, there's this awkward moment where we don't know whether to say 'good morning' or 'good night' — after all, it's different for each of us.

Hence the two minute conversation. As much as I resent it, I am grateful for the two-minute conversation. I could write letters or pour my soul out over email, but the phone lets me hear his voice. And when you're 708.3 miles, \$255.50 and 12 hours apart, every minute counts.

They say when you get into a long-distance relationship, it's not going to be easy. They say to avoid it at all costs, that it's going to fail. I imagine the reason they warn you is because of the two-minute conversation: the frustration, the guilt and the sadness you feel when you get off the phone.

But I'll take my two minutes any day of the week over nothing. I'd take two seconds. And I know when I have time during the day on Saturday, when neither of us are working, I'll pick up the phone and call. And I'll talk for two hours.

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

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
◆ Performance: "Romeo and Juliet," 7:30 p.m., Hesburgh Center for International Studies	◆ Lecture: "Are you a perfectionist? Learn self-acceptance," Body Image Awareness Week, 11 a.m., Counseling Center	◆ Performance: Collegiate Jazz Festival, 7:30 and 10 p.m., Washington Hall	◆ Mass: Misa en Espanol, 1:30 p.m., Zahm Chapel
◆ Lecture: "Eat Right, Feel Good, Look great," Deanna Latson, 7 p.m., Stapleton Lounge, Saint Mary's	◆ Movie: "The Sixth Sense," \$2, 8 p.m., DeBartolo	◆ Movie: "Shanghai Triad," directed by Yimou Zhang, \$2, 7:30 p.m., The Snite	◆ XFL Game Trip: "Chicago Enforcers vs. Las Vegas Outlaws," leaves at 12:45 from Main Circle, \$15 for ride and ticket, bus returns around 9 p.m.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Penn State defends Sex Faire events

HARRISBURG Several state representatives joined the crusade against sexually explicit student events Tuesday at Pennsylvania State University's House Appropriations Committee hearing.

As promised, state Rep. John Lawless played a five-minute video excerpted from one made at the student-run Sex Faire earlier this month. He repeated his statements that Penn State should be punished for failing to be "moral" leaders.

Lawmakers grilled Penn State President Graham Spanier in a four-hour session, broken only by breaks for the stenographer. Most discussion was about the appropriateness of the sexually provocative events sponsored by Womyn's Concerns.

Spanier again apologized for com



ponents of the event but said the university was committed to free speech.

Rep. Samuel Rohrer asked Spanier if he thought the programs were "wrong" or "immoral." When Spanier refused to make a statement denouncing the entire Sex Faire, Lawless called him "evasive" and "Clintonesque."

In one volley, Lawless said he was

insulted by a Penn State student who made fun of his facial disfigurement in an e-mail message. Spanier responded by reading an e-mail the student had sent to Spanier complaining of a threatening call from Lawless.

The House proceedings were a contrast to the civil Senate committee hearing Monday, which focused mostly on how Penn State spends taxpayer money.

As the summer approaches, the state legislature will finalize the budget, and Penn State will hear its final answer on appropriations for 2001-2002.

In answering the committee's questions, Spanier said the university tries to meet the right balance between community standards and free speech.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

Students celebrate with bonfires

Route 1 could have just as well been Bourbon Street Tuesday night for the thousands of University of Maryland students who celebrated Fat Tuesday and the men's basketball team's upset of the Duke Blue Devils by making what's becoming an annual party on Fraternity Row. The absence of a Byrd Stadium goal-post couldn't stop creative campus students from showing their spirit. Two soccer goals would do — along with some furniture. They commemorated the occasion with fire, documented it with countless hand-held video cameras and reminisced about a win that last year caused the campus to spontaneously combust. "This is my senior year, and it's my last chance to get to do this," said Shilbani Shah as she stood outside the main ring of the Fraternity Row bonfire. "They feel powerful and they feel like rebelling right now. It's the only way they feel like they can get it out." At game's end, the roar began all over the campus as students poured from their dorms. Before the festivities began, "Bring out the riot gear" sounded over police radios.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Boys only suspects in murders

Authorities are not searching for any additional suspects in the murders of Dartmouth College professors Susanne and Half Zantop, according to sources that spoke with the Associated Press. A source familiar with the investigation told the AP yesterday that the evidence has not indicated anyone other than Robert Tulloch, 17, and James Parker, 16, was involved in the murder. The source said although the investigation continues while authorities have already arrested the two teenagers, additional arrests are not expected. Authorities have released little information about the murders, but more details were expected today when a New Hampshire judge had planned to unseal portions of affidavits and search warrants. However, the Valley News reported yesterday that additional forensic evidence was strengthening the investigators' case for keeping court records sealed. The state filed an appeal Tuesday to block the unsealing. Lebanon District Court Judge Albert J. Cirone Jr. is expected to examine the state's appeal today.

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Saturday	40	26
Sunday	40	25
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The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Thursday, March 1.
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Boston	41	21	Milwaukee	32	20	St. Louis	37	22
Chicago	28	12	New York	43	29	Tampa	78	58
Houston	77	67	Philadelphia	50	30	Washington DC	50	36

Body Image Week continues with anorexia discussion

By BIRGIT HEINISCH
News Writer

Offering support to those suffering and those helping their friends through the disorder, counselors and students joined together Wednesday evening to speak out on anorexia. The discussion is a continuation of Body Awareness Week.

"Bottom line is that there are different ways to cope with problems. Anorexia is one maladaptive way," said Susan Albers, a counselor at the University Counseling Center.

Anorexia is "like an iceberg," said Albers. "You can see the physical binging and purging but there are many underlying symptoms that you cannot see." Physical and behavioral symptoms such as frenetic exercising and mood swings are visible, but there are many psychological symptoms beneath.

"Control is a big thing with eating disorders. There was a correlation between stress and eating for me," said Darcy McLaughlin, a former anorexic.

Anorexia is a serious eating disorder. Every year, "10 percent to 20 percent of people who have anorexia will die," said Albers.

For this reason, Albers stresses the importance for friends to step into the situation. As a friend, it is necessary to be sympathetic. One

must know "how much shame, how much pain goes along with the disorder," said Albers.

It is important to approach your friend as soon as possible. "Stop being silent," said Jessica Johnstone, a student.

There are several steps to take and certain techniques to apply. First, "structure an intervention," said Albers.

Decide who should talk with the friend and plan for an appropriate time to meet. Also prepare by practicing how to confront your friend. This allows you to "identify rough spots and to notice how you're coming across," said Albers.

When trying to address this issue with a friend, the most important thing is to not comment on physical appearance. Comments about being healthy or about being too thin are usually interpreted as something different. Sufferers of anorexia "manipulate anything about appearance [as a reason] to continue the disorder," said McLaughlin.

"One may inadvertently reinforce the disruptive behavior [through commenting on physical appearance]," said Albers.

Instead, focus the discussion on progress in mood. A person suffering from anorexia can relate the better emotional feeling with true health and feeling good rather than with physical health and appearance.

Putting the focus on positive traits improves self-esteem, which will lead to more suc-

cess with the disorder, panelists said.

Other strategies include using "I statements."

When discussing anorexia with a friend, it is important to list behaviors which are causing concerns to those friends.

Having resources and additional help, such a counselor, a rector or parents are key elements as well.

Commenting on an anorexic's food consumption can lead to them becoming less open. The opposite effect is being achieved; their behavior is more secretive, panelists said.

One should "let them eat as much as they eat," said McLaughlin. "Avoid the hover and smother method," said Albers.

As a friend, it is good to prepare for many responses and to be patient. A person suffering from the anorexia could admit having the disorder or become defensive and ashamed.

It is important not to argue and instead be comforting.

One approach is to say, "I'll approach you again because I'm concerned," said Albers.

There is always the chance that one's suspicions are wrong, yet voicing concerns are still significant.

"Yes, I was angry at first [at being confronted by my teacher and friends], but now I appreciate that they approached me," said McLaughlin.

On campus, it is important to realize that we "live in a com-



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Susan Albers, a counselor from the University's Counseling Center, spoke Wednesday about the importance of friendship when dealing with anorexia.

petitive environment," said Johnstone. There is a need to live up to others' or one's own expectations.

Yet, perfection should not be striven for. With help from friends battle against anorexia

can be won.

Through self-awareness and determination, a sufferer of anorexia can "realize that anorexia is not a comfort but just an escape from reality," said McLaughlin.

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2004 elections with 31.2 percent of the students vote while the Jablonski-Diehl vote followed with 29.7 percent.

Forty-one percent of the freshmen class voted Wednesday, 8 percent less than on Monday.

"I was surprised at the lower numbers because the class was super excited about the elections," said Nicole Prezioso, elections commissioner. "At the same time, I think a lower turnout could be typical in run-off elections."

Fifty-two percent of the class of 2002 voted; 4 percent lower than Monday's elections.

Meghan Meyer and Michelle Houser took 53 percent of the vote in the run-off class of 2002 election against Erin Weldon and Mary Crawford who received 41 percent of Wednesday's vote.

Six percent of the voters abstained. Brigid Buhrfiend and Lori Sichtermann are the newly elected senior class secretary and treasurer.

"We plan to get the ball rolling this year," said Meyer. "We are hoping to get events that seniors will want to be a part of; we definitely want the senior class, input."

"We hope to have the senior board elected two weeks after spring break," said Houser. "We want to increase fun activities for the class, we have a lot of spirit."

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tender heading into a run-off election Friday against the Brian Adams ticket, which garnered 172 votes Wednesday.

"After covering student government for two years, I'm very excited now to go from a student government outsider to an insider and to serve the Class of 2002," said Laura Rompf, class vice president-elect and an Observer reporter.

Rompf's running mates include president Rossmann, secretary Lisa Sestile and treasurer Chris McConnell.

Rompf said her ticket plans to sponsor a conference to help seniors prepare for life after graduating from Notre Dame and to next fall organize a "Senior O. Weekend," with activities similar to those at Freshman Orientation.

She said in light of the recent deaths of three members of the Class of 2002 to leukemia, the ticket is also planning fund-raising efforts for cancer charities and a bone marrow drive in memory of the students.

Smith, president of the winning 2003 ticket, said his administration's top priority will be keeping abroad students informed of activities at home. He said establishing an abroad chairperson and a monthly newsletter would aid in that goal.

"In the past, students may have been uninformed and left out of a lot of things simply because they were studying abroad," Smith said. "We want to let them know what's going on and keep them involved."

Smith's running mates include vice president Karen Lysaght, secretary Josh Gentine and treasurer Nick Mastronardi.

In the 2003 election, four tickets carried about 80 percent of the vote in the seven-way primary. The Ben Gillfillan and Brian Thomas tickets placed behind Oxley and Adams, collecting 142 and 121 votes, respectively. Chris Holdener received 99 votes, Josh O'Farrell won 83 and Dan Sushinsky earned

48 to round out the field.

Oxley and Adams will compete in a run-off election Friday that also matches two tickets for off-campus co-presidents. Wednesday's primary resulted in a tight contest between the Liz Efta/Kelly Stocker and George Remus/Amy Sellers tickets.

Efta and Stocker's 165 nods gave them a narrow 11-vote lead over Remus and Sellers. The slim margin prompted a recount by judicial council officials, who are required to recount in an election that yields less than a 25-vote margin between top vote-getting candidates. The third ticket of Sarah Schwartz and Kim Fenzl got 90 votes.

Also on Wednesday the off-campus senator election saw Steve Reddy defeat Noel Conneely 185-130.

Tony Wagner, judicial council president, said election turnout was decidedly mixed.

"Turnout varied from dorm to dorm. We expected it to be up in some areas and down in some," Wagner said.

That's despite a referendum that student government representatives were optimistic would spur high turnout.

The Student Senate-sponsored referendum was a paretals survey that appeared on election ballots Wednesday. The ballot issue asked students if they were in favor of extending paretals past midnight on weekdays and ending them before 10 a.m. every day.

"I'm sure there were people who turned out for [the referendum], but there were many people who wanted to vote for the different offices," Wagner said.

The judicial council divided referendum responses by gender Wednesday night but did not tally results, Wagner said.

He said the council would turn the ballots over to the Student Senate.

The surveys will likely go to the senate's Residence Life Committee which drafted the ballot issue.

Late Wednesday night, members of the committee were unavailable for comment.

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an assistant teacher for courses in Honors Shakespeare and African-American literature.

She also has received the \$15,000 American Association of University Women Dissertation Fellowship. In the community, she is an active member of her church where she currently serves in its Marriage Ministry. She also works to increase diversity on campus.

Langley gave God credit for helping her achieve her goals.

"With God, all things are possible. My ability to balance my busy schedule is based upon my adherence to a basic philosophy of prioritizing, which is deeply rooted in my faith and spirituality," she said. "Serving God is my first priority, after which serving my family and community is next, and then I give full and rigorous time and energy to my scholarly work and teaching."

The two students were honored on Feb. 15 under the rotunda of the Main Building in a celebration that included Father Edward Malloy, president of the University, and the Celebration Choir. They will receive plaques on April 27 at the annual Alumni Association meeting.

Senate

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bookstore for more programming events. Pfaff said membership on the committee is especially important for Flipside.

"Flipside has a very small budget and many of their venues are off-campus," he said. "We would like to help them do more on campus."

Pfaff said the resolution's main goal is to make open communication easier. "If there's going to be any change, the change needs to come from communication between the Notre Dame student body, the faculty and the bookstore," he said.

In other senate news:

◆ O'Neill senator Bill Ferreira informed the student senate that starting next fall there will be a scholarship office to aid students in applying for prestigious national scholarships, such as the Rhodes, Marshall and Fulbright scholarships. The location of the office is not yet determined, but Ferreira said a committee, including Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters and Eileen Kolman, dean of First Year Studies, has already begun the planning process and welcomes any suggestions.

"It will be a place where we can network together.

Students can meet with faculty and other students," Ferreira said. "One of the ways in which outsiders judge the intellectual climate on any campus is to measure how students in a university consistently perform in nationally renowned contests. Our academic programs are consistently compared to Ivy League schools, yet we don't match up when it comes to student recognition in national scholarship contests."

◆ The senate passed a resolution requesting the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee on the Workers Rights Consortium (WRC). The resolution provides the senate with an opportunity to voice students' opinion on whether the University should join the WRC. The committee will investigate both sides of the issue and make a recommendation to the senate next week. Father Malloy is expected to make a final decision on the matter March 8.

◆ Andrew Oxenreiter was unanimously approved as the 2001-2002 Student Union Treasurer.

◆ The senate approved the nominees for the Executive Board Members of SUB for 2001 - 2002: Paul Krivickas as board manager, Kathleen Hammond as director of programming, Jacquelyn Gelzeiser as director of operating, Gabriel Brownas director of creativity and Melissa Kane as chief controller.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Cops arrest shooting suspect:

Mexico City authorities said Wednesday they have arrested a suspect in the shooting death of Cuban official Boris Valdez Lopez. The district attorney's office accused Rafael Hernandez Espinosa, 21, in the Feb. 15, carjacking attempt near the Cuban Embassy. It also said he had confessed to taking part. Police charge that Hernandez was one of three people who ambushed the car.

Pilgrims make journey to Mecca:

Hundreds of thousands of pilgrims from around the world made their way toward the holy city of Mecca Wednesday ahead of the hajj, or annual Muslim pilgrimage. To prepare for the pilgrims' arrival and their four-day stay in Mecca, Saudi Arabia has mobilized all its facilities, dispatching security forces, medical teams and guides.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Ashcroft meets with lawmakers:

One day after President Bush told him to bring an end to racial profiling by police, Attorney General John Ashcroft met Wednesday with black lawmakers who had opposed him as head of the Justice Department. "It was a frank and candid exchange," Ashcroft said afterward. Racial profiling is the practice by police of considering a person's race or ethnicity in detaining suspects or making traffic stops.

Panel unhappy with FBI answers:

Confronting the FBI director about an agent accused of spying for Moscow for 15 years, the Senate Intelligence Committee chairman said Wednesday his panel remained unsatisfied with explanations of a "very, very grave" espionage case. An assessment will show "a lot of damage" by accused spy Robert Philip Hanssen, a 25-year FBI counterintelligence agent, said the chairman, Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

South Bend resident gets permit to leave Israel:

A naturalized U.S. citizen who was not allowed to leave the West Bank 10 days ago as planned because she was born there was granted a transit permit from Israel on Wednesday. Katerina Araman could not be reached for comment immediately. Her husband, Joseph Araman, said he was anxious for his wife and 4-year-old daughter, Sarah, to return home. "I will not trust it is true until they land in Chicago," he said. "Because they can change their tune any time they want to. I don't trust them."



KRT Photo

A local news videographer gathers footage of earthquake damage to a building in downtown Seattle's historic district. The earthquake, measuring 6.8 on the Richter scale hit the city on Wednesday.

Earthquake shakes Seattle, 25 injured

Associated Press

SEATTLE A powerful earthquake rocked the Northwest on Wednesday, shattering windows, showering bricks onto sidewalks and sending terrified crowds running into the streets of Seattle and Portland, Ore. At least 25 people were injured, none critically.

The strongest quake to hit Washington state in 52 years temporarily shut

down the Seattle airport, knocked out power to hundreds of thousands of people, cracked the dome atop the state Capitol in Olympia and briefly trapped about 30 people atop a swaying Space Needle in Seattle.

"Everyone was panicked," said Paulette DeRooy, who scrambled onto a fire escape in a Seattle office building.

The magnitude-6.8 quake hit at 10:55 a.m. and was centered 35

miles southwest of Seattle, according to the National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo.

Experts said its depth — in a fault about 30 miles underground — spared the Northwest a major shaking. Damage was relatively light in the highly developed region with more than 3 million residents. In recent years, millions of dollars have been spent to remodel schools, build-

ings and highways to protect against earthquakes.

Still, the quake was felt in Vancouver and other parts of British Columbia and in southern Oregon, 300 miles away. Buildings in downtown Portland, 140 miles from the epicenter, swayed for nearly a half-minute and crowds gathered on street corners to talk about the quake.

Officials also evacuated the city's courthouse.

BRITAIN

Law seeks to ban terrorism groups

Associated Press

LONDON Acting under a tough new anti-terrorism law, Britain on Wednesday announced plans to ban 21 radical groups, including the organization of Saudi exile Osama bin Laden.

Many of the groups have no organized presence in Britain.

The new anti-terror measure, which took effect Feb. 19, empowers Britain to ban groups that commit violence abroad and to crack down on support-

ers who channel funds and recruits to terrorist organizations. Authorities had been expected to quickly make use of the new provisions.

The bans still need the approval of lawmakers.

The government's proposed list includes Greece's November 17, which has killed 22 people since 1975, targeting intelligence officials and diplomats; bin Laden's organization, al-Qaeda, which has been linked to a range of terror attacks including the 1998 bombings of two U.S. embassies in east

Africa; and Abu Nidal, a group blamed for killing more than 300 people since 1973.

It also lists several groups seeking independent homelands, including ETA, which has killed 800 people in its 32-year quest for a Basque homeland independent from Spain; the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam of Sri Lanka; and the Kurdistan Workers' Party in Turkey.

Also on the list are the Mujahedeen Khalq, which seeks to overthrow Iran's Islamic government.

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Welsh hosts Johnson to speak on women, cultural prayer

By LAUREN BECK
News Writer

Christian women pray much differently than do men, based on their upbringing and societal roles, according to Chandra Johnson.

Johnson, assistant to the University president, led a discussion on Wednesday night in Welsh Family Hall entitled "The Many Voices of Prayer: A Cultural Experience."

Johnson spoke to the all-female audience about the experiences of women in Scripture and the ways women today can apply them in their lives.

As a woman, Johnson said she often feels "wired to take care of other people. Who, though, takes care of me?"

She finds comfort through prayer and reflection on God's relationship with women.

"There is no predicament too difficult that God can't enter in and show us the glory inside of ourselves," she said.

She urged women to recognize and take time out from the distractions in their lives to interact with God on a daily basis.

"Steeped within our being that voice is there and is audible regardless of the predicament. Don't discount that sense of right, that peacefulness, that well spring of grace inside of you," said Johnson.

She then compared God to an inner strength she encounters even in the midst of pain and suffering.

Johnson specifically cited the stories of Hagar and Mary as examples of women in the Bible interacting with God.

"These two women prayed as a result of a life change, as a result of wanting to find God," she said.

Both Biblical figures were

faced with immense challenges but remained strong and "used their own particular faith in a way that gives a glimpse as to what struggles were experienced then and how to interpret this in the 21st century."

Like many women in scripture, "Hagar and Mary appear to be subservient but allow themselves to be empowered co-agents of faith," Johnson said. She views their stories as "powerful depictions of two women whose lives were changed, who were not in control, but who changed the

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Chandra Johnson
assistant to the University president



TONY FLOYD/The Observer

Chandra Johnson (right), assistant to the University president, discussed the unique aspects of Christian women's prayer Wednesday night at Welsh Family Hall. Johnson cited specific Biblical references for women who interact with God.

course of history and led others to God through their trials."

"Our prayer must be as personal as Hagar's and as praiseful as Mary's," Johnson said. "Like these women,

through prayer we too can move on with our lives, be affirmed, and hear God."

Johnson concluded the talk with her belief that women are rising into positions of leadership in the Catholic Church. As

this occurs she sees a need for more positive role models for women and she looks to the Bible to find them.

"These are women just like us — and their stories are powerful."

English prof's poem to be read on radio

Special to The Observer

"Getting Through Sundays," a poem by University of Notre Dame poet Sonia Gernes, will be featured Saturday on The Writer's Almanac, a public radio program hosted by Garrison Keillor.

Produced by Minnesota Public Radio, The Writer's Almanac is a daily five-minute program distributed

for broadcast to about 280 noncommercial radio stations nationwide by Public Radio International. The program featuring Gernes will be broadcast locally at 8:30 a.m. Saturday on WVPE-FM (88.1) and also can be accessed on the web at <http://almanac.mpr.org/>

Gernes is a professor of English and the director of Notre Dame's Creative Writing Program.

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Notre Dame set to host two student bioethics conferences

By HILARY BURNS
News Writer

Notre Dame has the opportunity to place itself on the bioethical map this weekend by hosting two international events — the third National Undergraduate Bioethics Conference and the inaugural meeting of the International Student Bioethics Initiative.

"I hope this weekend is a unique opportunity for students from within ND and visitors to interact and discuss contemporary bioethical issues that will be affecting our futures," said Heather Kuhlenschmidt. Kuhlenschmidt, a Notre Dame junior, is executive co-chair of the conference along with fellow classmate Mike Mann.

There are approximately 200 people registered to participate in the conference. Their home countries range from Ghana and Australia, to the United Kingdom and Canada, according to Mann.

"We open up our campus to [all participants] as a place for open and respectful dialogue where ideas from different cultures, disciplines, nationalities and religions are encouraged," said Mann.

The objectives of the conference are to consider the purpose of bioethics and its

role in the world; to give more cohesion to a topic which is often fragmented into individual issues; to emphasize the importance of increased interdisciplinary dialogue and to raise a sense of social responsibility within students towards these issues.

"I [also] hope this weekend will create awareness about discrimination issues and the need for equal representation, which are bioethics issues that do not normally fall under the traditional definition of bioethics," said Mann.

The coordinators of this year's conference were among the 300 or so students from around the world who attended the second annual conference last year at the University of Virginia.

Last year's experience was twofold in purpose for Kuhlenschmidt.

"[It gave] me the opportunity to discuss the contemporary issues with students who have a broad range of educational and religious affiliations, [but it] was also a bonding experience for many of the people involved in the planning of this year's conference," said Kuhlenschmidt.

The Second National Undergraduate Bioethics Conference was also where Mike Mann and Anne Cooper of Notre Dame, Jayme Dowdall from Boston University and Adrian Viens from the University of Toronto met and became

motivated to found ISBI.

"At the conference, it was exciting to see the enthusiasm of the students in attendance," said Cooper. "It seemed a shame to go back to our campuses and lose the enthusiasm until the next conference."

"So, we began to think of a way to maintain the momentum and came up with plans to form this organization," she added.

ISBI's intent is to be an international student organization that is unaffiliated with individual colleges and universities. It will serve to connect students across the globe in order to encourage education, communication, activism and leadership in the field of bioethics.

Further information about ISBI will be revealed at its inaugural meeting following the conference's closing banquet, said Mann.

The ISBI meeting is independent of the conference, but it is being held at Notre Dame this weekend because it was an opportunity where students interested in bioethics would already be together, said Kuhlenschmidt.

Many students, including the founders of ISBI, will be participating in both events.

"I expect to participate in a great dialogue of future leaders. Undergraduates

have a lot to contribute to bioethical discourse," said Viens. "As the future physicians, lawyers, bioethicists and public policy makers of the first half of the 21st century, initiatives such as the Annual Undergraduate Bioethics Conference and ISBI are great opportunities for these individuals to sharpen their interest and expand their knowledge."

This year's conference is divided into four half-day sessions — the nature of bioethics, the human genome project, care for the dying and international bioethics.

Each of these sessions will include keynote presentations followed by breakout discussion groups where participants will choose from a variety of topics.

The Notre Dame faculty members giving keynote addresses are Father Theodore Hesburgh, University President Father Edward Malloy and John Robinson, associate professor of Law.

Other keynote speakers include professors from across the United States, Dr. Solomon Benatar from the University of Cape Town, South Africa, and Dr. C. Thomas Caskey from Merck Laboratories.

Sources from within the University are providing the funding for the conference, according to Kuhlenschmidt.

Space station faces budget overruns; plans less elaborate

Associated Press

SPACE CENTER, Houston
Just one week before launching a new space station crew, NASA managers and astronauts found themselves agonizing

over the prospect of a shrunken outpost in orbit.

NASA's space station program faces budget overruns of up to \$4 billion over the next five years. As a result, the international space station may end up

smaller and less elaborate than planned and with fewer people on board, said space station chief Michael Hawes.

To address "this unprecedented cost growth," President Bush is calling in his new budget plan for completing the U.S. core of the station in 2003, three years earlier than planned.

Among the likely casualties: a propulsion module, habitation module and crew rescue vehicle. Both the habitation module and a crew rescue vehicle are needed in order for the space station crew to increase in size from three to seven.

NASA is looking at various options for eventually housing seven astronauts and cosmonauts, and for providing a safe escape for all seven, Hawes said Wednesday. The options, he said, must be "within the bounds of the budget dollars that we have to work with."

The European and Japanese laboratory modules would remain on schedule for launch in 2004, Hawes said. Any further U.S. additions after that will be considered enhancements, and it's difficult to know when they might be made, he said.

Hawes said the cost overruns occurred over time and, in part, were the result of equipment problems, the need to fly so many spare parts and the recent surge in trips to the space station.

"Part of it is just the reality of moving into a flying program that's holding its schedule and is not being able to decrease staffing at the rate that was assumed in some of the budget numbers," Hawes said.

Altogether, Bush is seeking \$14.5 billion for NASA for the next fiscal year, 2 percent more than 2001.

The budget proposal also calls for the relocation of space sta-

tion management from Johnson Space Center in Houston to NASA headquarters in Washington, and for a sustained rate of six space shuttle flights a year. NASA had been planning an annual flight rate of seven or eight, primarily to support the space station.

"It's a call for us to be fiscally responsible," Hawes said. "But this is a far cry from any kind of a space station redesign."

The international space station, called Alpha, is already the result of years and even decades of redesign. The first piece finally was launched in 1998 and the latest component, the U.S. Destiny laboratory, just last month.

Astronaut James Wetherbee, commander of space shuttle Discovery's upcoming flight to the space station, said the budget problems are not putting a damper on the mission. But he noted how much NASA has learned — and still needs to learn — from the Russians.

"The first time I went up and flew next to Mir, I was struck by a couple things. No. 1, how brilliant and white and perfect it looked," he said. "But more than that I thought to myself, well, here's a country that was in race with us, they didn't get to the moon ... they have much more budget problems than we have and yet they took the next step."

Discovery is scheduled to lift off March 8 with a replacement crew for the three men who have been living on the space station since November.

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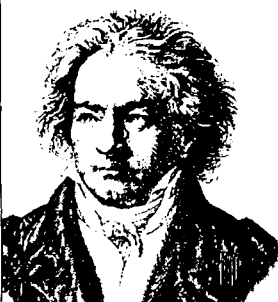

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Another toddler found in snow

Associated Press

EAU CLAIRE, Wis. — A 2-year-old boy found lying in a snowbank and not breathing remained in critical condition Wednesday, while a 13-month-old Canadian girl who nearly froze to death in a similar incident over the weekend is expected to make a virtually full recovery, doctors said.

Les Hynek was hospitalized at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. He had slipped outside in sub-zero temperatures for up to four hours Tuesday clad only in a diaper, pajamas and a sweat shirt.

"He's better. He's awake. I wasn't too late when I found him," the boy's father Mark Hynek said. "I just keep on praying for him and hoping for the best."

The boy wandered from his home on his parents' dairy farm sometime after 3 a.m. Tuesday. His father found him unconscious almost four hours later about 50 feet from the house, Eau Claire County Sheriff's Sgt. John Vogler said.

The National Weather Service said the temperature that night in Eau Claire fell to 4 below zero. Vogler said he had heard that the boy's body temperature was about 65 degrees soon after he was found, but there was no immediate confirmation.

The child had wanted to watch a video and his father told investigators he must have fallen asleep in a chair after he started the video-

tape. He awoke at 6:40 a.m., realized his son was missing and found him outside, Vogler said.

In Canada, 13-month-old Erika Nordby, whose body was partially frozen and whose heart had stopped during a night outside in the cold at Edmonton, Alberta, was playful and talking and had been moved out of intensive care, hospital officials said.

Erika's plastic surgeon, Dr. Gary Lobay, said Wednesday he doesn't believe her severely frostbitten feet will have to be amputated.

"It looks like her heel pad will survive and a good part of her foot and maybe all of it," he said. "She should be able to walk with maybe some, maybe no, or maybe minimal disability, but at least she will be able to walk on her feet."

The girl was revived Saturday after being found frozen almost solid in the backyard of her home. She had woken up in the middle of the night and wandered outside into sub-zero temperatures.

"I woke up and looked everywhere and she was gone," Erika's mother Leyla Nordby told CTV Newsnet. "I ran through the house, screaming for her, and she wasn't there."

The girl's heart had stopped beating for about two hours and her body temperature had dropped to 60.8 degrees. Her toes were frozen together, and paramedics had trouble getting a breathing tube into the child's throat because her mouth was frozen shut.

FBI: Suspect Odeh calls bomb a 'blunder'

Associated Press

NEW YORK

A suspect in the deadly bombing of the U.S. embassy in Kenya told the FBI that it was a "big mistake" because the bomb was improperly placed in a truck, killing too many civilians, an FBI agent testified Wednesday.

The agent, John Anticev, told a jury in federal court in Manhattan that Mohamed Sadeek Odeh said during an interrogation that he did not know about the Aug. 7, 1998, blast in Nairobi before it happened.

"He thought it was a blunder," Anticev recalled Odeh saying. "He didn't like that so many civilians were killed."

"He didn't like that so many civilians were killed."

**John Anticev
about a suspect in U.S. embassy bombing in Kenya**

The agent said Odeh told him the bomb vehicle should have been backed into the embassy rather than striking it head-on so the blast would not have been directed toward other buildings and scores of civilians.

Prosecutors allege Odeh, 35, and his co-defendants followed alleged terrorist mastermind Osama bin Laden's orders to bomb that embassy and the one in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, the same day as part of a holy war against Americans. The explosions killed 224 people, including 12 Americans.

On Tuesday, Anticev testified that Odeh had in 1992 "pledged allegiance to Osama bin Laden and would follow his orders."

On Wednesday, the agent said Odeh admitted during an interview that spanned 12 days in August 1998 that he spent the days before the blast with men he believed carried out the attacks.

He recalled one of them telling him a day before the bombing that he had just spoken to members of

bin Laden's al-Qaeda organization in Afghanistan who told him "that all of the people have been evacuated," Anticev said.

"We're expecting a retaliation by the U.S. Army. We're expecting their warplanes to start hitting us and missile attacks," the agent said Odeh recalled the man saying without elaboration.

Odeh said the men had ordered him to flee the country in the first week of August and had given him a razor to shave his beard so that he would not seem Muslim when he traveled.

The agent said Odeh revealed after his arrest that he used a false passport to enter Kenya five days before the bombings and met an explosives expert who led the terrorism cell there.

The suspect described how he was recruited by al-Qaeda after following an Islamic scholar's advice to help Muslim rebels fight the Soviet Union in Afghanistan, where he was trained in explosives, the agent said.

In his cross-examination of Anticev, Odeh's attorney Anthony Ricco questioned the agent about whether Odeh had admitted to being directly involved.

"He never said to you that he was responsible because this was something that he did, isn't that correct?" he asked.

"Correct," Anticev said.

"He felt morally responsible because he was associated with and a member of al-Qaeda, isn't that correct?" Ricco added.

"In that context, yes," the agent said.

If convicted of conspiracy, Odeh and Wadih El-Hage, 40, could get life terms; Mohamed Rashed Daoud Al-Owhali, 24, and Khalifan Khamis Mohamed, 27, could face the death penalty if found guilty of murder conspiracy.

Man prompts airport evacuation

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

A man bypassed a security checkpoint and barged through an emergency door at Los Angeles International Airport on Wednesday, forcing the evacuation of three United Airlines terminals for nearly two hours.

United spokesman Alan Wayne estimated about 1,800

travelers were affected, with 20 or more flights delayed. The airline said 10 other flights were canceled either because of the security breach or the earthquake in the Northwest.

The passenger, identified as Albert Joseph Bryla, 22, of St. Augustine, Fla., was arrested for misdemeanor trespassing when he reached his departure gate. He posted \$500 bail late Wednesday.

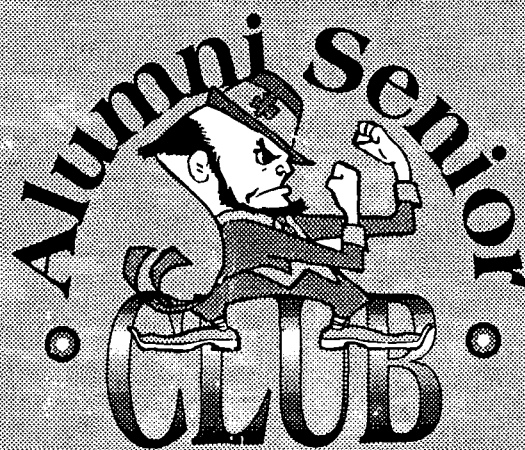
Bryla couldn't immediately be located for comment Wednesday, but his father said from Florida that his son told him the incident was a misunderstanding.

"He took a wrong turn in the airport," Bryla's father, Albert Bryla Sr., said from his St. Augustine, Fla., home. "It's a misunderstanding that got way out of hand. I think someone out there really overreacted."

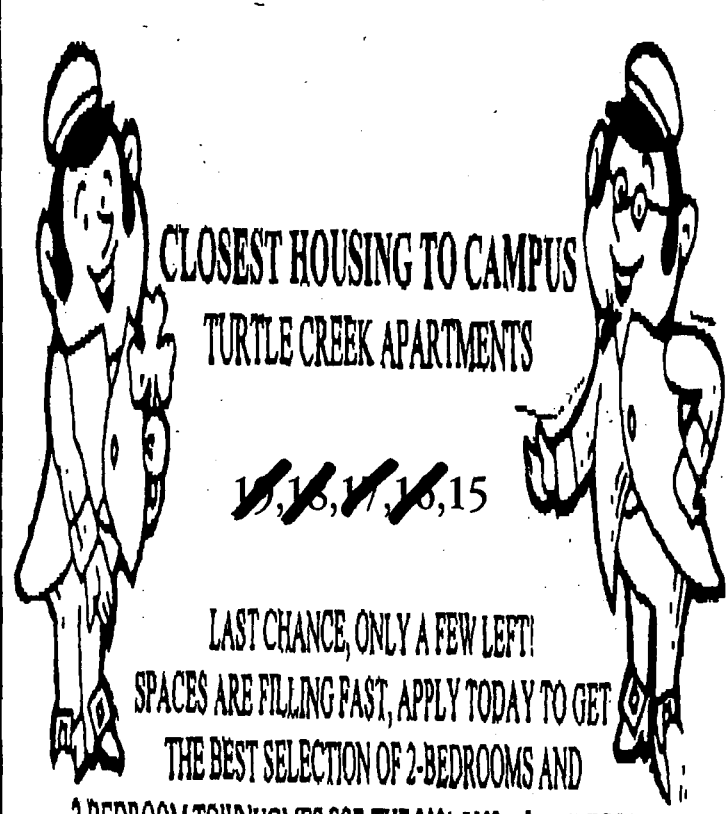
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U.S. reports record flight delays

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON
If your plane arrived late last December, you had plenty of company. More flights than ever before were delayed or canceled that month, the government says. A Transportation Department report released Wednesday said 178,707 flights by the 10 largest air carriers were either late or canceled in December. Although flights in the winter are prone to delays because of poor weather, never before had so many flights failed to arrive on time in any month in the 13 years for which figures are available, the report said. The air carriers scheduled 475,398 flights in December,

meaning 37 percent of flights did not reach their destination on time. That was up from 22 percent of flights delayed or canceled in the same month in 1999. The airline industry has blamed delays on too few runways and an air traffic control system unable to cope with an ever-increasing number of flights and passengers. The number of passengers flying on U.S. airlines rose to 665 million in 2000 from 240 million in 1977, according to the Air Transport Association, trade group for air carriers. The Federal Aviation Administration predicts the number will increase to 900 million by 2009. Transportation Department inspector general Kenneth Mead has reported that more

than a quarter of all flights were delayed, canceled or diverted last year, affecting about 163 million passengers. The report says airlines should do more to "reduce over-scheduling, the number of chronically late or canceled flights, and the amount of checked baggage that does not show up with the passenger upon arrival." Several lawmakers have introduced legislation designed to improve service and the Senate Commerce Committee already has held a hearing on the issue. "Everybody's disillusioned about the airlines," said Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.D., the committee's top Democrat. Consumer complaints are up, too, rising 16 percent last year.

"Everybody's disillusioned about the airlines."

Ernest Hollings
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Florida drops wiretap charge versus teen

Associated Press

PENSACOLA, Fla.
Wiretapping charges were dropped Wednesday against a high school student who taped a chemistry lecture without the teacher's consent. Prosecutor John Molchan said the wiretapping law applies only when the person being tape-recorded has a reasonable expectation of privacy — and that was not the case in a classroom of 30 students. "The young lady was recording a lecture, trying to assist her in learning at that particular time. I'm not sure that's an appropriate forum for prosecution," the prosecutor said. Asher Zaslaw, 17, a varsity weightlifter, said she recorded the October lecture at Navarre High School because she was having difficulty in the class and wanted to maintain her 3.89 grade-point average. Teacher Shelaine Goss filed a

complaint, and the state brought charges Feb. 5. Calls to the teacher's home were not immediately returned on Wednesday. Principal Louise Driggers said taping in the classroom is against school policy. She said the rule is intended to prevent students from listening to tapes or CDs in class. Zaslaw would have faced penalties including community service if convicted. "The toll it's taken on her up to this point is a shame," said Asher's father, Jay Zaslaw. "That's not the kind of thing that kids on the right track should be subjected to." Barbara Peterson, executive director of the First Amendment Foundation in Tallahassee, said the wiretap law was never intended for classroom lectures. "There's no expectation of privacy in a classroom," Peterson said. "It kind of stuns me."

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Investigators review library donor list

♦ Clinton's pardons called 'accident waiting to happen' by former pardon attorney

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Congressional investigators hunting for evidence of a pardons-for-dollars scheme at the Clinton White House got their first look on Wednesday at a list of 150 top donors to his presidential library project.

They looked at the list for about 45 minutes, but lawyers for the House Government Reform Committee would not disclose information about the contributors, or say how many of the names would prompt further investigation. All 150 people and organizations on the list contributed more than \$5,000.

The William J. Clinton Foundation, which is raising money for the library to be built in Little Rock, Ark., initially resisted giving the donor list to the committee. The commission chairman, Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., then threatened to find foundation director Skip Rutherford in contempt of Congress.

But after several days of negotiations, the foundation and committee agreed on a way for top members of the committee to review the donor list, while protecting the privacy of donors not relevant to the probe.

"We have worked out an agreement, and Mr. Rutherford will not be required to testify" on Thursday, Burton said. "We think we'll have all the information we want by Friday, specific contributors, the amount and the dates. We've excused some of them because we don't think the information is necessary at this time."

Among other things, the committee wants to know whether Clinton's decision to pardon fugitive Marc Rich was influenced by contributions to the library. Rich, a billionaire, has lived in Switzerland since just before he was indicted in 1983 on charges of tax evasion, fraud and making illegal oil deals with Iran.

His ex-wife, songwriter Denise Rich, contributed \$450,000 to the foundation, \$1.1 million to the Democratic Party and at least \$109,000 to Hillary Rodham Clinton's bid for the Senate. Denise Rich and her friend, Beth Dozoretz, a former finance chairman for the Democratic National Committee who pledged to raise \$1 million for the library project, have both refused to testify before the committee.

The committee was forcing Dozoretz to attend Thursday's hearing to publicly refuse to testify.

While Rutherford is no longer required to testify, the committee expected to hear from other witnesses, including John Podesta, Clinton's former chief of staff; Beth Nolan, former White House counsel; Bruce Lindsey, former aide and longtime Clinton confidant; and Lewis Libby, a lawyer who is chief of staff for Vice President Dick Cheney and once represented Rich.

On Wednesday, the House Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the pardon powers of the president and whether the clemency process needs to be improved.

Margaret Colgate Love, who served as pardon attorney at the Justice Department from 1990 to 1997, told the committee that from the beginning of his presidency, Clinton moved to take away the agency's traditional role of being the first to review pardon requests.

"The final Clinton pardons were an accident waiting to happen," she said.

Traditionally, presidents let the Justice Department take the first look at clemency requests, but Clinton's White House answered pardon inquiries, and made it known that Justice officials would be among many people who would advise Clinton on the requests, she said.

"The Clinton administration's shortsighted and ill-advised decision to abandon the long-standing regular system of Justice Department review led directly to the reported free-for-all at the end of his term and the resultant appearance of cronyism and influence-peddling," Love asserted.

House Republicans expand Bush tax cuts

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

House Republicans said Tuesday they will expand President Bush's proposed across-the-board tax cuts and speed the bill to passage by the end of next week.

A day after Bush outlined his plans before Congress, Rep. Bill Thomas, the chief House tax writer, offered legislation that would accelerate a cut in the lowest tax rate ahead of the president's timetable and make it retroactive to Jan. 1.

Thomas, R-Calif., said the Ways and Means Committee that he leads would meet Thursday to approve the bill, setting the stage for an early triumph for Bush — and a quick clash with Democrats who oppose GOP proposals as too costly. Thomas said the measure would cost \$960 billion over the next decade, and other elements of Bush's \$1.6 trillion tax cut would come later.

In unusually sharp comments, Speaker Dennis Hastert accused Democrats of trying to thwart swift action to boost the economy, in hopes of a recession that would damage Republicans politically. Hastert, R-Ill., said the bill would be on the House floor next week.

"Obviously there are some on the other side of the aisle that don't want us to have success; they would like to see us go

into recession," he said.

Responding soon after, Democratic leader Dick Gephardt said, "I hope he didn't mean that, because how could anyone want to visit on the American people, especially poor people, what a recession and what a slowdown really means?"

Gephardt, D-Mo., said that with his tax cuts, Bush was "gambling our healthy economy, the future of Medicare and Social Security and our children's education on budget predictions that are no more reliable than a weather forecast."

While Hastert and Thomas cited the weakening economy for their decision to move quickly, Republicans acknowledged that no legislation is likely to reach Bush's desk for weeks if not months. Democrats can delay action in the Senate until Congress has approved an overall budget — unlikely until April at the earliest.


The maneuvering unfolded as the White House released fresh details of Bush's overall budget, including his recommended \$1.6 trillion in tax cuts over the next decade.

The costliest portion is the rate cuts, which would cost more than \$810 billion. Phasing out the estate tax would cost \$266 billion; an increase in the child tax credit \$192 billion and a reduction in the so-called marriage penalty another \$112 billion.

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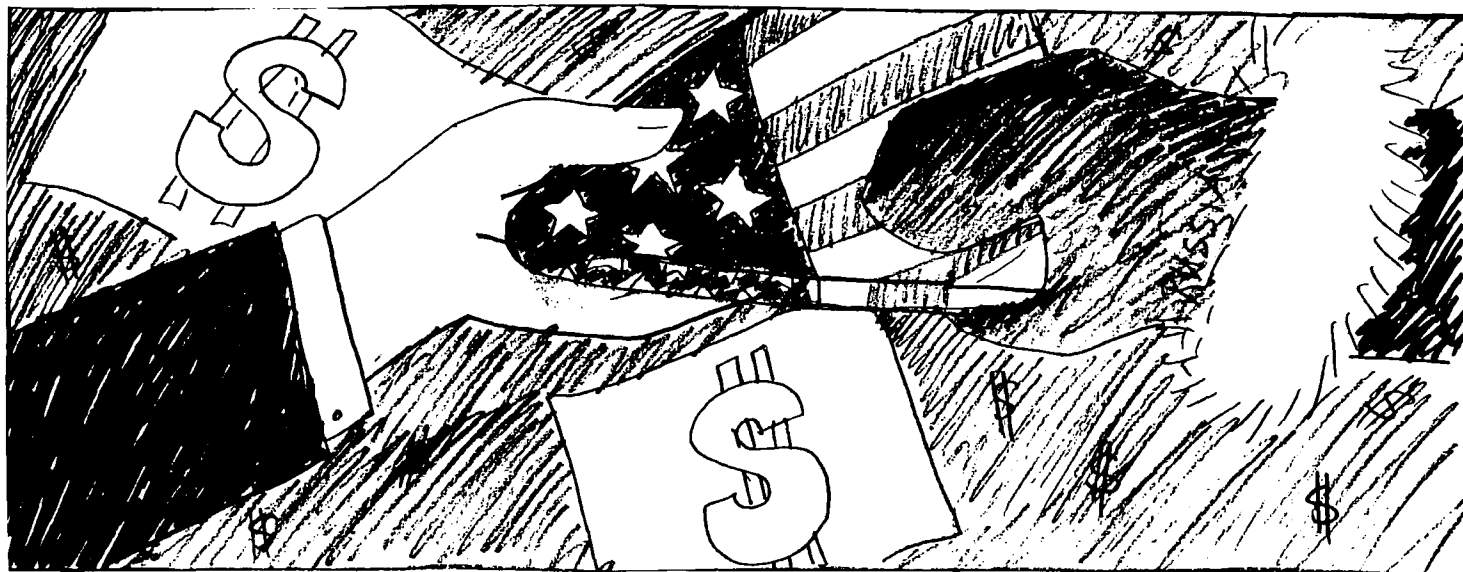
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GUEST COLUMN



Agent must pay for greediness

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.

The term "double agent" is crucial to almost every spy movie. Such a free-roaming character can implement the story's twists and turns and keep the audience on the edge of their seats. They also guarantee a slower pace, such as myself, will be completely lost once the picture is more than 15 minutes old.

Chris Schafer

Minnesota
Daily

While James Bond and Austin Powers are entertaining and even funny to watch, there is nothing amusing about the idea of a real-life double agent effectively working to jeopardize world security. Double agents are individuals who work for government intelligence in their native country while selling secrets to foreign countries. Persons of the aforementioned description are like David Arquette films: You do your best to prevent them from appearing, but somehow they still turn up.

Such is the case with FBI agent Robert Hanssen, arrested last week on counts of espionage and treason. Mr. Hanssen is accused of selling government secrets to the Russians for the past 15 years. Well, on second thought, when authorities are able to obtain past phone messages and confiscate a garbage bag full of U.S. secrets bound for the East, the term accused is really just a formality, isn't it?

Over the past 15 years, Hanssen doled out numerous tidbits of information involving American secrets and policies to the Russians. Included in this overseas swap meet were dozens of classified documents and electronic surveillance and monitoring techniques that included "an entire technical program of enormous value, expense and importance." Naturally the feds won't go into great detail as to the specifics of the damage. It's safe to say more eyes have seen the documents in question than were supposed to anyway. But it is known Robert Hanssen was integral in supplying

Russians certain information pertaining to those who play on both sides of the secret agent fence.

Hanssen's busy lips are believed to be the key factor in the crumpled 1989 espionage investigation of State Department employee Felix Bloch. Law enforcement officials say Hanssen informed the Russians of his own government's developing knowledge of the dealings of Bloch. The Russians were able to warn Bloch and Justice Department prosecutors were never able to find sufficient evidence he had passed secret documents to the KGB.

Hanssen also informed the Russians of three of his Soviet counterparts — Boris Yuzhin, Sergey Motorin and Valeriy Martynov — three KGB agents selling precious Russian information to the Americans. On Hanssen's tip, the Russians swooped in, caught and convicted the three. Yuzhin spent time in prison and fled to America after his release. Motorin and Martynov were convicted of espionage and executed. It was Hanssen who gave these men away and as such, is just as responsible for their deaths as the Russians are.

This incident provides a reality check to all people about one of the world's necessary evils. This isn't the glamour of James Bond or "The Man from U.N.C.L.E." These people are thieves, traitors, stool pigeons and opportunists, living on the outer fringe while thousands of heroes and patriots can and do die at the leaking of their lips. But as distasteful as this entire process is, spies have been invaluable in the past, including both world wars. They are revered and reviled, depending only on which side of the fence they serve. Even in a unified world, spies would probably still exist. Right or wrong, it is human nature to harbor a certain level of distrust toward our fellow man.

So how much does it cost to buy a man's integrity or his neighbor's security? According to sources, Hanssen received \$1.4 million over 15 years for

being such a great little snitch. The vast majority of this ill-gotten bounty, some \$800,000, was stored for him in an overseas account; but he also took payments, \$650,000 dollars, in the form of cash and diamonds. The money was split because Hanssen feared large cash intakes would make him look like a drug dealer.

This money is little more than icing on the cake for an individual who garnered more than \$100,000 a year in base salary and lived in a \$300,000 house in Vienna. Thus, we are left to question the motivation of an individual to sell out his country for a little more money on the pile and enough inventory to open his own Pawn America.

Hanssen appears to have a particular disdain for America. In written messages to his cohorts across the ocean, Hanssen referred to the United States as, "a powerfully built but retarded child, potentially dangerous, but young, immature and easily manipulated." Viewpoints such as the aforementioned are disturbing no matter who utters them, but especially when they come from an individual in a position such as Hanssen's, who has the capacity to do great damage to the country itself.

In politically correct terminology, Hanssen's loose lips have jeopardized American security, which translates into your and my security. Captured traitors such as Hanssen deserve to be dealt with in the harshest manner possible. In a letter to his Russian cohorts, Hanssen said, "One might propose that I am either insanely brave or quite insane. I'd answer neither. I'd say, insanely loyal." Hanssen is loyal only to himself and the almighty dollar. It is my hope the American government sees him as insanely expendable.

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WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU MADE A HUGE, INCREDIBLY STUPID MISTAKE?

I WOULD TRY TO LEARN FROM IT.

DID YOU LEARN ANYTHING FROM YOUR ANSWER?

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You can fool too many of the people too much of the time."

James Thurber
author

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Debating a different perspective of the statue

Memorial gives support, not condemnation

I would like to offer an alternate perspective in the discussion of the memorial to victims of abortion. Regardless of where one stands on the issue of legalized abortion, memorials such as this one ought to be seen not as a judgement upon women, but a support to women experiencing the aftermath of what Jocelyn Szczepaniak-Gillece calls a "violating and shattering experience."

I became acutely aware of the truth of her description while working in crisis pregnancy and post-abortion counseling for a secular non-profit organization. A young woman who was having difficulty coping with her abortion contacted me. Her family and her church were pro-choice; they had supported her decision, yet she suffered tremendously.

After talking at some length with her, we decided to go together to visit a memorial similar to the one on this campus. She wept. She prayed. She grieved the loss of her child. She was grateful for the gift of the memorial placed by people whom she would never meet. They gave her what no one in her pro-choice circle had been able to give: a recognition of her pain.

If it is true that there are, "many, many women on campus who have had abortions," then it is equally as likely that there are many, many women on campus who suffer. Szczepaniak-Gillece pleads, "If you have any humanity whatsoever, stop victimizing them."

I agree; we know that many women experience abortion as a violating and shattering experience; let us not force them to suffer alone by our silence. Let us welcome them to grieve openly for the loss of their children.

Salvatrice Murphy
graduate student
off-campus
February 27, 2001

Each person makes their own choice

I did not read the article, "Remove the Trojan Horse," and this letter will not in any way be a defense of that letter. My problem lies in the classification set forth by the morally upstanding member of the Knights of Columbus. In his judgement placed upon others, he deemed anyone who considered themselves to be pro-choice ignorant and immoral. He also gave a ridiculously biased description of what abortion counselors do for women suffering with the decision of abortion. In writing this letter I accept the fact that I will offend the majority or our ultra-conservative campus. However, before you judge me as Godless and immoral, please read what it is that I have to say.

Throughout my life I considered myself pro-life. I based this on the belief that if my girlfriend, daughter (if I had one), good friend or any other close female came to me asking my opinion as to whether they should have an abortion, I would vote with a resounding no. I thought this was enough to place me in the pro-life column.

However, my views changed when two close friends of mine came up against the difficult decision of abortion. They were both high school seniors at the time and for different reasons they both decided to go forward with the abortion. At the time I advised both of them to have the children and put them up for adoption. They both decided this was not in their best interest. Through these two friends, I realized that I truly was not pro-life. I may have disagreed with their decisions, but at the same time I realized it was their decision. It was not mine, it was not a member of the Knights of Columbus and it was not God's, it was singularly each girl's. How can I or anyone else tell a female that she must keep a child in her body that at anytime could kill her. That in my opinion is immoral. I have no right to tell anyone what they are allowed to do with their bodies.

Whether we as a university like it or not, our morals are not the morals of our society. Does this make our society ignorant or immoral as our holy Knight of Columbus would have us believe? No it does not. It means that his entire argument is based around religion, an argument that has no true standing in our society. A large part of our nation is based around the

freedom of religious persecution so how can we now turn around and persecute those who do not go along with our religion.

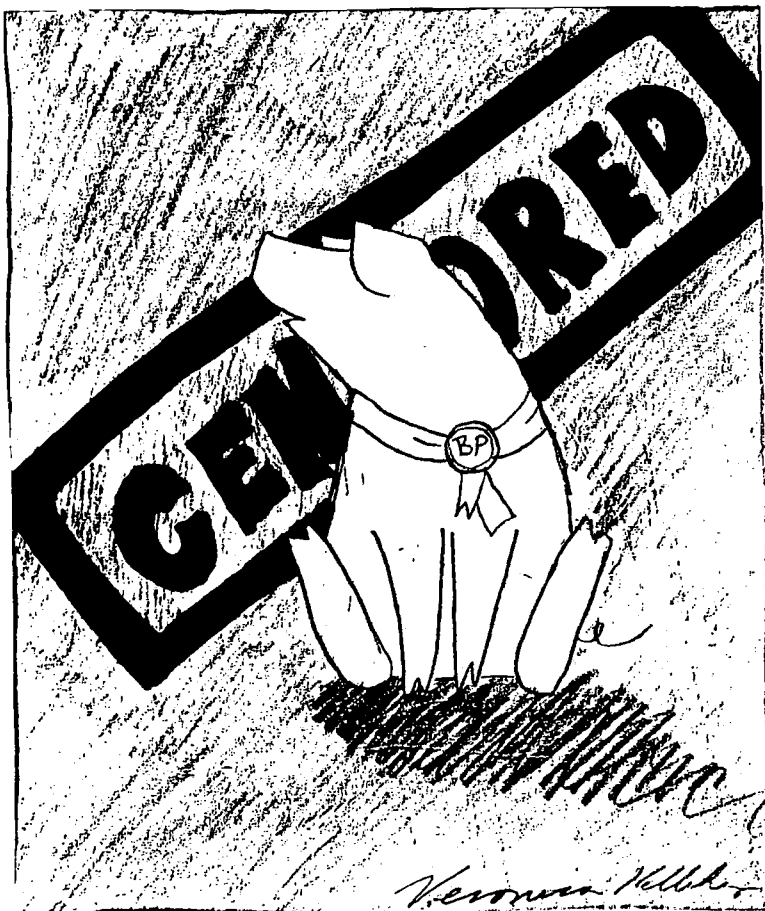
Somehow the Knight went on to say that it was, "... not a theological dictate, it is a premise of philosophy. We must do good and avoid evil."

Somehow, without using theological principles, you have decided what is good and what is evil. The fact that you say it is not theological is ridiculous. Every argument that arises based on abortion comes down to religion. And based on one's religion (or lack thereof) they must decide individually what is right for them. This does not make them ignorant or immoral, it makes them different. The final statement of the letter definitely shows that the arguments are set up on a philosophical basis, "Pray until your hearts are converted."

An even larger problem with the Knight's argument lies in his gross misrepresentation of an abortion counselor's role in an abortion. Abortion counselors stress the finality of the decision that women make when they choose abortion. They emphasize the alternatives there are to the abortion. In fact, they also advise on the difficulties and problems that arise with an abortion, not with a child. Abortion is possibly the toughest decision and process that a human can go through and to take a counselor's job and trivialize it saying they simply, "... find out what is driving the woman to abort, and they magnify it" is an ignorant statement.

I just want to reiterate that I am not attempting to say people who are pro-life are ignorant. I understand the urge to preserve life. I just think that the judgements passed by the member of the Knights of Columbus are unfair. Saying that those who feel differently than you are ignorant merely shows that you cannot handle intelligent dialogue in which one's views are not like yours.

Corey Timlin
sophomore
O'Neill Hall
February 27, 2001



Pigs feel the pain too

Men of O'Neill hall, the women of Breen-Phillips understand your frustration with political correctness on this campus. However, if you think living in O'Neill is tough, try being a Babe.

As of this year, our rectress has forbidden us to use a pig in any design for dorm apparel. This was quite a surprise to us, seeing as our mascot is a pig. In fact, last year, when we voted to change our mascot to the Babes, there was a stipulation in place. That stipulation was we make sure our new mascot be associated with Babe the Pig, in order to avoid objectifying women.

The reason behind being unable to represent a pig on Breen-Phillips clothing is apparently because a depiction of a pig is also a depiction of a negative body image. However, another reason the dorm voted on Babe the Pig as a mascot was

to embrace the campus-wide joke of Breen-Phillips as a fat dorm. Although this joke may not be politically correct, everyone knows it is a joke and nothing more. To deny us the representation of our mascot on our dorm shirts with such a reason as this, seems to me to be making too much of the situation. It seems to me the equivalent would be something like Carroll Hall being forbidden to depict mice or other vermin on anything for their dorm because mice are viewed in a negative light. Or that Lewis can't put chickens on their shirts because it could possibly be construed to mean the women of Lewis are cowardly.

Though there are residents in Breen-Phillips who do not like the Babe mascot, I have noticed it's more for reasons such as not liking pigs, thinking Babe the Pig an unfit mascot, or simply

having an affinity for the old Banshees (ahem, Breen-Phillips football). If there are residents of Breen-Phillips who are uncomfortable with the interpretation that pigs convey a negative body image, why do we have this mascot?

Of course dorm T-shirts are trivial, but many more important things at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are also subject to the atmosphere of extreme political correctness. As Joe Muto pointed out in his Feb. 27 letter, the Vagina Monologues were silenced, but let us not forget the controversy over the Keenan Revue, which might arguably be the biggest dorm-sponsored event at Notre Dame.

Tessa Sainz
sophomore
Breen-Phillips
February 28, 2001

MOVIE REVIEW

Elvis has left the cineplex

By JUDE SEYMOUR
Scene Movie Critic

"3,000 Miles to Graceland" is probably a better pitch than it is a finished product: Elvis impersonators rob a casino during Elvis Impersonators' Week, get greedy, deceive each other and take to the road, switching possession of the money bag about once every 15 minutes. Throw a love story into the mix, a little personal drama about connecting with a lost father, add some guns and

perhaps Hollywood has a marketer's dream.

The finished product, however, is an entangled mess of bad editing, uninspired performances and a pouring out of nonsensical violence. At two hours long, "3,000 Miles to Graceland" has about 15 minutes of engaging content. The rest of the time the movie sputters around the weak interpretation of its story line and would've lulled the audience to sleep if it were not for the pitter patter of machine gun fire at seemingly every available opportunity.

Kurt Russell plays Michael, an ex-con turned Elvis impersonator. He teams with his "brother," (this is one of the movie's many ambiguities) Murphy (Kevin Costner) and three other men (Christian Slater, David Arquette and Bokeem Woodbine) to rob a casino during Elvis Impersonators' Week.

After somewhat of a success, the men are split on what to do with the \$3.2 million and get greedy about their shares. The three peripheral men are eliminated, leaving Michael dueling Murphy for money. The rest of the movie plays out as a road trip, detailing the exploits of the sadistic Murphy and the well-intentioned Michael as they inexplicably travel northwest, away from Graceland.

"3,000 Miles to Graceland" cannot help but choose sides for the audience immediately. Murphy is played as a hostile, cold-blooded maniac. Michael, although he helps in the heist, carefully manages to not shoot anyone. The movie's message is too clear: Root for Michael. However, the dynamic characterization of Murphy is clearly the more engaging role. Perhaps that engagement is attributable to Costner who, besides picking an awful movie, actually makes the best of his role.

Recognizing this, the movie tries to even out the plot with

Cybil (Courtney Cox Arquette), the Siren that seduces Michael and joins him on the road trip. It is probably the movie's best continuing theme that the audience has to figure out if Cybil is conning Michael for her own benefit, is in collusion with Murphy or if she is actually with him.

By the climactic final showdown in Washington, the movie has expelled all sorts of ridiculous subplots, like throwing darts blindly at a bull's eye. All these subplots, including hints of Murphy's heredity to the real Elvis Presley and Michael's possible earlier romantic involvement with Cybil, are terrible attempts to resurrect audience interest.

To explain the depths of stupidity this movie reaches, an example would be quite helpful. In the movie's last 10 minutes, Ice-T finally emerges. He is billed by the Howie Long character (in some terrible dialogue) as "worth two or three men" because of his unique killing ability. The audience must have been shocked that, less than five minutes later, Ice-T's kamikaze killing style gets

himself shot and killed. The movie confuses the viewer in deciding which was more unrealistic: a man worth "two or three men" deciding to stupidly risk his

life by making himself a wide open target, or the fact that he was able to kill 10 or 15 agents before a single one shot hit him.

Overall, "3,000 Miles to Graceland" is worth no amount of money. The reason it gets

one shamrock is for the promise that is encapsulated in it. Costner and Cox's performances are actually above average, done well because of each actor's unique approach to the characters despite the poorly written dialogue that was handed to them.

Other than those performances, the movie basks in its poor gunplay, amazingly underdone characters and one of the weakest executions of a plot seen in at least five years.

"3,000 Miles to Graceland" can be summed up like its title: Its destination might be visualized but it is going in the wrong direction. So, back in Graceland, the King slowly turns in his grave.

"3,000 Miles to Graceland"

out of five shamrocks

Director: Demian Lichtenstein
Starring: Kevin Costner, Kurt Russell, Christian Slater and Courtney Cox Arquette



Photo courtesy of Warner Bros. Pictures
David Arquette (far left), Russell, Costner, Christian Slater and Bokeem Woodbine star in the tragically bad "Graceland."

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK

'Sarajevo' questions America's responsibility

By MATT CACCAMO
Scene Movie Critic

In 1991, Yugoslavia, a multi-ethnic nation that remained one throughout the Cold War, began to disintegrate. Slovenia and Croatia declared independence and, shortly thereafter, were forced to defend their new freedom against Serbian armies intent on preserving a Yugoslav state historically beneficial to their group.

Following the example of their northern neighbors, the most multi-ethnic and divided of the Yugoslav provinces, Bosnia, declared its independence in 1992. What followed was a brutal war fought in both rural and urban Bosnia between ethnic Muslims, Croats and Serbs.

Explaining this war with its many contradictions and developments is difficult; portraying it on film less than 10 years after it happened is even more complex. In "Welcome to Sarajevo," English director Michael Winterbottom brings to the screen a vivid, troubling account of the Bosnian war that reveals more than any textbook or teacher could.

The film centers on a small group of foreign reporters (mostly British and American) who are thrown into Bosnia to cover a war that few people at home care about. Bosnian Muslims fighting Bosnian Serbs on the streets of Sarajevo hardly catches anyone's fancy in the peaceful and prosperous West. Nevertheless, these reporters are sent there to do a job, and do

a job they will.

Much of the action follows English television reporter Michael Henderson (Stephane Dillane) as he tries to report on and cope with the brutal images of war in front of him every day. While many of the other reporters are able to drown their fear and anxiety in alcohol, cigarettes and late-night chat sessions, Henderson is different. The West's ignorance and inaction enrage him, and he makes it his goal to challenge that.

It is in this smaller story within the larger war story that the film excels. Using a mixture of real and fictional footage, Winterbottom draws a stark contrast between the official line taken by England, the United States and NATO, and the more personal approach of a man on the ground in Bosnia.

We see footage of President Bush, President Clinton and U.N. Secretary General Boutros-Boutros Gali sidestepping and spinning the war in Bosnia as none of the West's business. Juxtaposed with that we see Henderson, a man terribly affected by the brutality he sees, who presses ahead nonetheless, making the evacuation of an endangered children's orphanage his ultimate goal.

The second half of the movie follows Henderson more closely as he smuggles a young Bosnian Muslim girl out of Sarajevo, adopts her in England, and later struggles to keep her from being sent back to her war-torn homeland.

It is not the details of this story that are

necessarily important, nor how well the script follows the true story it sets out to tell. It is the separation of personal and political within such wars that the film brings out most successfully.

The reality on the ground is rarely reflected by the jargon in political and bureaucratic circles. While innocent people suffer, bureaucrats and politicians talk about sovereignty, risk and human-rights violations. This helps no one; Henderson and his courageous, if sometimes crazed, acts of kindness help some Bosnians live a better life.

One of Henderson's friends is an American television reporter, Flynn (Woody Harrelson), who represents the whole range of reactions to war in Western circles. On the outside, he's cocky, brash and aloof. He acts as though nothing about the war offends or bothers him; he's there to do a job and be praised for it. His exterior appearance is much the same as the U.S. and its allies. They can't show emotion or caring for innocent Bosnians because that would compromise their integrity and destroy their professionalism.

However, as the film proceeds, we see a different side of Flynn, a more personal, introspective side. This is a man who hates the brutality he sees in front of him, much like Henderson, and responds to that with small acts of kindness and a hidden determination to cover the war correctly.

From afar, Flynn is the type of person who wouldn't understand or care about the war in Bosnia. However, his job brings him in direct contact with refugees, orphans, amputees and other victims of a hateful and mindless battle; now he understands.

The West's inaction and eventual failure

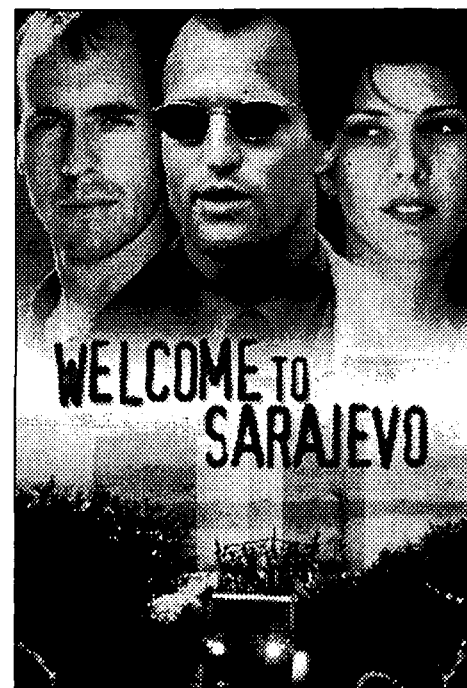


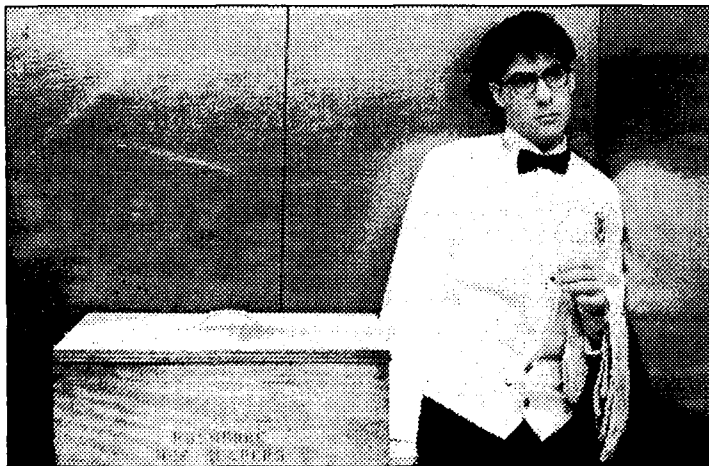
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Stephen Dillane (far left), Woody Harrelson and Marisa Tomei star in "Welcome to Sarajevo."

to stop widespread killing and genocide in Bosnia is accepted today as a foreign policy error supported by two successive American administrations. The issue is how to avoid this again. Textbooks and teachers can only get us so far; they can tell of the violence and abuse, but they can't make us see and believe it.

A film like "Welcome to Sarajevo" brings that terrible reality to our living rooms, and while it's difficult to watch at times, it's also important. Seeing is believing.

MOVIE FEATURE



Photos courtesy of Touchstone Pictures

In the quirky comedy "Rushmore," Jason Schwartzman (far left and far right) plays Max Fischer, an ambitious young student at Rushmore Academy. Director and co-writer Wes Anderson (center) creates an off-kilter universe where characters are free from traditional filmic boundaries.

Anderson's 'Rushmore' is eccentric cinema

By GUNDER KEHOE
Scene Movie Critic

The beginning of "Rushmore" is like a grade-school yearbook, with the pages coming alive with Max Fischer's after-school schedule. It's a splendid montage of his many hobbies, all different as night is from day. Max (Jason Schwartzman) shoots clay pigeons on the school lawn and smokes bees from their wooden hives. Then, Max drops the beekeeper's garb, puts on his flight scarf and goggles and goes buzzing around in his piper cub.

When he's done logging hours on the single engine prop, he goes back to the theatre and trains his young thespians on the skills of acting. This isn't typical teenage acting. This isn't a high-school rendition of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town." It's "Serpico" on stage. It's coke busts for a live audience of wide-eyed 5-year-olds.

Thus unfolds "Rushmore" and so goes Max's story, putting hands in every pocket and fearlessly treading where other boys his age would never dream of going.

The opening sequence is a nutshell reminder of the film's countless ideas. Just as Max has his wish list of ridiculous goals and professions, "Rushmore" is a breeding ground of creative impulses.

The film's director and co-writer, Wes Anderson, is a master of life's eccentric ideas, assembling them all in a loosely wrapped film. Anderson laces "Rushmore" with unexpected

relationships, peculiar actors and outfits from other dimensions. The lasting effect is a movie that has its very own tone. Seemingly ripped from the pages of a child's coloring book, "Rushmore" is its own off-balanced universe.

This is a land where people are people and ages are of little consequence. The social cliques cross the age barrier, and Max's triangle soon attracts the likes of Herman Blume (Bill Murray), a steel magnate many years Max's elder.

It's a collision of generations as both boy and man are trying to capture either their missing youth or an elusive adulthood. Suddenly, a steal tycoon is no longer hobnobbing with other magnates; he's transported back to his younger years and becomes pals with a teenager.

While Margaret Yang is a young rose ready to be plucked, Max deludes himself with a higher prize: a school teacher twice his age. Max deserves credit for his ambitious plans, but he aims a bit high with the courtship of Miss Cross (Olivia Williams). The way in which Max falls for an older woman, or the way Mr. Blume becomes the courier of love-letters, is one of the film's many charms. Both characters are reaching for either an age in the future or one that has long since past.

The images of "Rushmore" are an ode to these relationships between young and old. During Max's production of "Serpico," the audience is a bizarre composite of kids and adults. Mr. Blume watches attentively, sandwiched between two palm-sized youngsters watching in awe. It's a quirky image and a true testament to the movie's merging of generations.

Anderson has the gift of "people vision," meaning he finds the non-acting gems and sprinkles them through his films. Instead of browsing Hollywood's list of character actors, Anderson picks everyday people to play the crucial bit roles. While Max Fischer and Mr. Blume may be in the foreground, it's the background cast that completes the richness of the "Rushmore" universe.

Kumar Pallana is most likely not a trained actor, but he plays Mr. Littlejeans to near perfection. Kumar's look is a tribute to the world's variety of people: he's a Native American man with faded brown skin and a

mop of gray hair atop his head. As Mr. Littlejeans, Pallana need only be himself and act content in "Rushmore's" landscape genius.

While groundskeeping may not be central to the film, Kumar's contribution is unforgettable as he quietly rakes leaves, falls asleep during plays or blends into the background, playing with rope. He ends his part on a beautiful final note: The basketball coach asks, "What did you think of the play, Mr. Littlejeans?"

He replies short and sweetly, "Best play ever, man."

While Kumar Pallana makes wonderful acting strides, he is narrowly overshadowed by an individual who remains nameless. The anonymous individual says nothing and does nothing, but his memorable face is an ornament of nearly every frame. Look closely at Anderson's mise-en-scene to find a boy with sunken eyes and a sickly face. He's the skinny youngster who's first introduced when Magnus, the Scottish brute, sticks the boy with a poison-tipped dart. The dart pricks the boy's neck and he jerks his head in pain. From here on out, the child is a well-placed motif, popping up now and again, wearing dinosaur hats.

The boy's greatest moment is alongside Herman Blume's relaxing cocktail next to the emerald green pool. Herman lounges back with an icy bourbon and a cigarette dangling from his lips as he blindly tosses golfballs into the pool. The young boy, clad only in a Speedo, sneaks into the frame like an enemy spy and plucks a golf ball from the bucket. His fingers wrap the ball and he patters away. It's impossible to pinpoint exactly what this young boy means and why he inhabits a majority of the film but his presence does something for "Rushmore."

Together, the youngster and Kumar are non-acting delegates thrust into acting roles. Their inexperience puts Anderson's world off-balance.

Anderson has the knack of finding interesting folks with the quirky idiosyncrasies that make his universe a bit left of center. Whether it be an aging Native American with a belly-aching laugh or a young child that looks like a starving gerbil, both have a peculiar look and body lan-



Photo courtesy of Touchstone Pictures

In "Rushmore," both Max Fischer (Schwartzman, left) and Herman Blume (Murray) fall in love with a kindergarten teacher.

guage that informs the movie's oddball tone.

Sometimes all a scene needs is a hat or a cape to bolster its regularity into a quirky masterpiece. Dirk Calloway's purple Halloween suit is a brilliant wizard's wardrobe that would make Merlin jealous.

Little Dirk prances around the courtyard with a magical hat that stands no less than nine feet tall. Alongside Dirk, other students run incognito, some dressed as goblins and others posing as Long John Silver.

They ambush Max with rotting squirrel turds and sneak from tree to tree, dressed only in costume. The scene is made by these young tykes of all ages dressed as ghouls and wizards because, without the festive out-

fits, it would just be playground nonsense. Instead, Anderson takes Merlin hats and creepy masks, and makes this standard ambush a surreal Halloween sneak attack. There's something bizarre about Max walking care-free into a courtyard only to have a young Merlin leap out from behind a tree, casting spells.

Anderson has the special gift of finding life's tiny ideas that fall through the cracks. Whether it be a cone-shaped Merlin hat or the emaciated face of a pre-pubescent boy, there's something special in everything.

Like its opening image of Max Fischer, founder of the bombardment society, "Rushmore" is the innovator of small and quirky concepts.

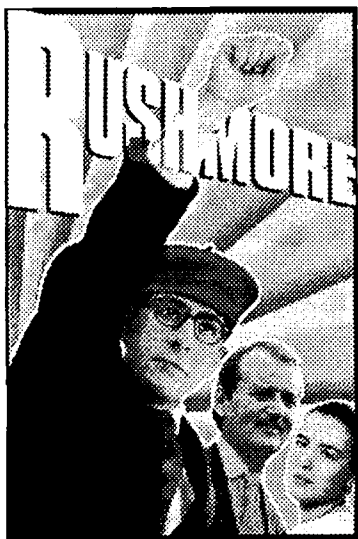


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"Rushmore" is available to rent on video and DVD.



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Murray, Schwartzman and Anderson on the set of "Rushmore."

MEN'S BASKETBALL

North Carolina earns ACC regular-season title with win

Associated Press

CHAPEL HILL, N.C.

No. 4 North Carolina was worrying about making the NCAA Tournament at this time a year ago, not ruling it.

What a difference a year makes.

Joseph Forte scored 27 points and Matt Doherty became the first coach to win or share an ACC regular-season title in his first season as the Tar Heels beat N.C. State 76-63 Wednesday night.

"I would rather be on top than at the bottom," senior center Brendan Haywood said. "Last year at this time we were struggling. Now, we're just trying to see if we're going to be a No. 1 or a No. 2 seed. That's definitely a better feeling."

The Tar Heels (23-4, 13-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) captured the No. 1 seed in next week's ACC tournament in Atlanta with the win, shooting 57 percent to rebound from a 20-point loss to Virginia (No. 9 ESPN/USA Today, No. 7 AP) over the weekend.

No coach in the storied league — not Dean Smith, Mike Krzyzewski, Jim Valvano, Lefty Driesell, Norm Sloan nor Everett Case — ever had as successful first season as the 39-year-old Doherty.

"He's not going to say anything about it because he wants us to get the credit," Haywood said. "A lot of stuff this year has been about him. I know he doesn't like that because he knows without players he can't do anything. But I feel he should get a lot of credit."

Duke could tie North Carolina in the league standings with a victory at the Smith Center on Sunday, but North Carolina would win the tie-breaker because of its season sweep of Maryland.

"You don't want to share anything and you especially don't want to share it with Duke," Haywood said of the ACC regular-season title. "If we win that game we'll have a lot of momentum heading into the ACC tournament."

Forte had 19 points in the second half, while Ronald Curry added a career-high 14 as the Tar Heels have now won or shared 23 ACC regular-season crowns in the league's 48 years.

"I was patient and let the game come to me in the first half, then I attacked in the second half," Forte said.

The Wolfpack (13-14, 5-10) played the Tar Heels even for most of the first half

and trailed by seven at the break, but poor shooting once again did in N.C. State, which hasn't won consecutive games since late December.

North Carolina led 46-38 with 15:08 left. N.C. State then hit just one of its next 13 shots as the Tar Heels took control with a 12-4 run to go up by 14 points.

"There were some shots that were questionable, some that were pretty good and probably a third category of shots that looked pretty good, but it's hard to estimate the impact of Brendan Haywood around the basket," said Wolfpack coach Herb Sendek, who fell to 1-11 against the Tar Heels.

Forte had a three-point play and hit a baseline floater during the end of the spurt.

N.C. State never got it under double digits the rest of the way in losing for the seventh straight time to North Carolina — the longest streak by the Tar Heels against the Wolfpack since 1981-83.

Ron Kelley, plagued with knee problems for much of the last two seasons, had his best game of the year for N.C. State, scoring 10 points and grabbing 12 rebounds.

The loss means the Wolfpack will be the seventh seed in the ACC tournament and play second-seeded Duke.

The teams combined for 26 turnovers in the opening 20 minutes of their 197th meeting. It was similar to the first one a month ago in Raleigh in which each club posted season-low point totals in a 60-52 North Carolina victory.

The Tar Heels took more than 12 minutes to recover offensively from a miserable 24-point second half against the Cavaliers on Sunday, turning it over 10 times in 10 1/2 minutes and scoring just 12 points to fall behind by five.

"I think our heads were right," Doherty said. "I know people were trying to make some things out of different comments (after the Virginia loss), but our team was together. If you didn't see that tonight then you weren't watching."

But the Wolfpack had turnover problems of its own over the last 6:08 of the half, coughing it up seven times as the Tar Heels used a 16-3 run to grab the halftime lead.

Curry's 11 first-half points matched his season high as he hit all three shots from the field and his five free throws.

Duke loses more than just game to Maryland

◆ Boozer will miss UNC game, ACC Tournament

Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C.

Mike Krzyzewski tried to look convincing Tuesday night when he said No. 2 Duke had to regroup following its worst loss of the season.

But the coach of the Blue Devils knew he had lost more than a game to 16th-ranked Maryland. Center Carlos Boozer, a former Juneau resident, went down in the second half with a fractured third metatarsal in his right foot.

"We've just got to circle the wagons and get tougher," Krzyzewski said. "We're optimistic that Carlos can return for the NCAA Tournament."

The 6-foot-9-inch Boozer, Duke's main inside threat, hurt his foot early in the second half, tried to return, then left for good with more than 10 minutes left in the 91-80 loss.

The Blue Devils (25-4, 12-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) shot 24 percent in the second half without Boozer, who averages 13.9 points and 6.5 rebounds.

Boozer will miss Sunday's rematch with No. 4 North Carolina, the ACC tournament in Atlanta next week — and maybe beyond.

The Juneau, Alaska, native is averaging 14.0 points and 6.5 rebounds this season. Boozer, who broke his left foot in the summer of 1999, currently leads Duke and the ACC with a .602 field goal percentage and is tied for the team lead in rebounding. He is also shooting .729 from the free throw line this season.

As for the game, Maryland wasn't about to let this win slip away. The Terps blew a 10-point lead in the final minute a month ago at home, but got revenge in Cameron Indoor Stadium.

Juan Dixon was the offensive and defensive hero for the Terrapins (19-9, 9-6 Atlantic Coast Conference), scoring 28 points and

getting five steals.

Lonny Baxter added 15 points and 10 rebounds, while Terence Morris had 13 points and 12 rebounds as the Terrapins dominated the boards in winning at Duke for the second straight season.

Shane Battier led Duke with 31 points in his last game in Cameron, getting 19 in the first half.

Duke led 60-51 with 15:20 left, but missed 25 of its first 31 shots of the final half, going more than eight minutes without a basket as Maryland took over.

Dixon's floater in the lane with six minutes left gave the Terrapins the lead for good at 70-69 and his steal and fastbreak layup on Duke's next trip down the floor seemed to take the wind out of the already tired and injured Blue Devils.

Jason Williams reinjured his sore calf in the second half and Duke played the final 91:02 minutes without Boozer.

The Terrapins, who shot 53 percent in the second half, sealed it from the foul line, making 10 of 11 over the final 1:34.

Duke's second half was its worst of the season, going 9-for-37 from the field, including 3-for-19 from 3-point range.

Maryland lost four of five after the Duke loss on Jan. 27, but have rebounded to win four in a row, including over ranked teams Wake Forest, Oklahoma and the Blue Devils, who had beaten the Terrapins eight of nine coming in.

Maryland controlled a majority of the first half as Duke started 6-for-17 from the field.

The Terrapins were up by nine, but Duke's press began to bother Maryland as the Blue Devils closed with a 23-7 run over the final 4:50.

Battier was the main offensive weapon in the spurt, scoring nine points in a span of 1:02 as the Blue Devils made five 3-pointers in four minutes to go up by seven at the break.

Battier's second 3-pointer in the run was from 25 feet as Duke was 7-for-14 from beyond the arc in the opening 20 minutes — four coming from Battier.

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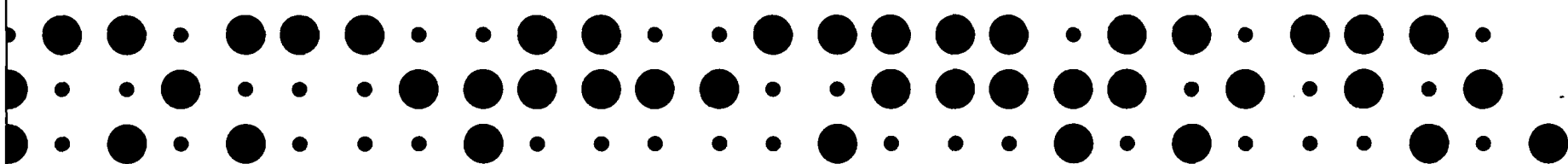
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narrowly beat Jason McMahon in a split decision.

"I knew it was going to be really close," Coleman said of the outcome. "I just thought maybe I got a few more punches in in the first round and that would be enough to swing things in my favor."

145 Pounds

The clash that pitted Michael "Mad Man" Waldo against Andrew "The Golden Arms" Harms was supposed to be one of the night's best, but a dominating Waldo had other ideas.

After a close first round, Waldo went mad in the second connecting on a series of devastating blows that had Harms bleeding badly.

"I was pissed off that he got me in the first so I came out hard in the second," Waldo said.

The third round was a mere formality, with Harms forced back to his corner several times for treatment of his battle scars. In a fight the referee considered ending early, Waldo continued his assault landing vicious shot after vicious shot.

The night's other semifinal bout featured a controversial decision as Jamar Tisby split over Jason Voss. Tisby controlled the mostly uneventful first two rounds, before Voss rallied in the third knocking down his foe with a booming right hand.

"He's a real tough opponent," Tisby said. "He surprised me in the third when he knocked me down, but I knew it wasn't over then so I went hard until the bell."



LISA VELTE/The Observer

The Bengal Bouts' semifinals featured hard hitting, quick jabs and fancy footwork as the best two fighters in each weight class advanced to the finals on Friday night in the Joyce Center.

Matassa ends furious fight with a win over Owens

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
Sports Writer

The first fight of the 150-pound weight class started with a fury, as Tom "T.K." Owens attacked the higher seeded Chris "Shezzy" Matassa, throwing a five-punch combination immediately after the fighters touched gloves. Matassa successfully countered Owens, using a superior reach to jab his way out of the ropes en route to a semifinal win Wednesday.

"My jab is the advantage I use to win fights," said Matassa. "My coaches tell me that, and my corner tells me that."

It was then Matassa's turn to attack, landing a solid head shot that put Owens' back briefly on the mat. The first round ended with Matassa's jab dominating.

The second round took on a different tone, as Owens found ways to get inside Matassa's reach and drive the junior into ropes.

"He's a tough fighter," said Matassa. "I was just backing up instead of moving to the side and he got me up against the ropes and into the corner."

The rest of the round was punctuated by even exchanges, with each fighter landing punches and moving effectively.

Matassa began the third round by landing a huge hook. Owens dropped to one knee, took a breath and stood up to take a standing eight count. The referee stopped the fight at the one minute mark in the final round.

As expected, Brock "Landers" Heckman came out of his corner swinging against Tucker "The Wicked Bad Bostonian" McGree. And for the first 30 seconds of the bout, he landed many of those punches, especially his hooks earning his right to the title fight.

Still, McGree proved himself to be a brawler throughout the tournament, and he stood up to Heckman throughout the bout.

Heckman was furious in the second, as a strong combination

knocked McGree into the turnbuckle, his second fall of the fight. After a standing eight count, Heckman started to dominate despite his bleeding.

In a fight where hard punching and fast exchanges were the rule, Heckman not surprisingly emerged with a unanimous decision.

155 Pounds

Past champion Sean "The Erie Kid" Nowak entered Wednesday's semifinal having only fought a round and a half in this year's bouts. Tom "Frenchman" Pierce has battled in the both the preliminaries and quarters, and will continue on to the finals as he upset Nowak in a split decision.

The first round began with Nowak attempting to establish his jab, to mixed success. He landed several quality punches, but the freshman Pierce confidently moved inside to keep the fight even.

The second round was more of the same, as Nowak could not get gain any consistent ground on Pierce, with the younger fighter counter-punching effectively enough to keep Nowak away.

Pierce put together a round to remember in the third. The fight was stopped three times in the round to control Nowak's bleeding, and the crowd got behind Pierce as he gradually took control.

The second semifinal featured a reprisal of last year's final in the weight class, with second seeded Jeff "The Pittsburgh Kid" Dobosh entering the ring against Paul "He-Man" Mehan. Dobosh had not previously fought this year, as Robert "Little Mac" McColgan forfeited their quarter-final bout.

For Dobosh, not fighting on Monday was major disadvantage.

"When the fight started, I felt sloppy," said Dobosh. "It's hard to go in there cold when everybody else has been fighting."

The first round had the mark

of two veteran fighters, with each waiting patiently to attack. The second round would be more aggressive, but neither fighter was able to establish any dominance.

"It was tough for me to land combinations," said Dobosh. "I couldn't find a rhythm the whole fight."

Dobosh started to gain the upper hand in the third. Overall, he landed more punches throughout the fight, but the outcome was hardly decided when the referee picked up the judge's cards showing Dobosh had won a unanimous decision.

160 Pounds

Dennis "Thursday Night" Abdelnour might want to change

his nickname to "Wednesday Night" after his unanimous decision over Mike "The Militia Man" Melby. Abdelnour showcased his quickness against the sophomore Melby, moving around the ring with the confidence that comes with a fourth year fighter.

Abdelnour kept Melby at bay the entire fight, not allowing the younger boxer to get land effective jabs and score points with the judges. Abdelnour landed body blows on Melby consistently all three rounds.

"I think I took [his reach] out of play at the beginning," said Abdelnour. "I kept my hands high and worked his body."

Melby received a standing eight-count after an exchange in the third, but the fight was not a

blowout.

Joe Smith controlled his bout against second seeded Travis "Posse" Alexander on his way to a unanimous decision. Alexander repeatedly and aggressively went after Smith, only to have his charges effectively countered with strong punching.

Smith has established himself as a heavy hitter throughout the tournament, and his showdown with Abdelnour should be quick with big-time punching.

But Abdelnour's experience and preparedness will be tough for Smith to match.

"Every time I get in the ring with the crowd and everything it gets a little easier," said Abdelnour. "I feel like I'm fighting the best I ever have now."



BENGAL BOUTS RESULTS

for fights on Feb. 28

130 LBS. WEIGHT CLASS

Shawn Newburg def. Tom Steinbach
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Brian Hobbins def. Justin Myers
Thomas Macias def. Christopher Kitalong

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BENGAL BOUTS '01

Hobbins earns unanimous win, moves on to face Macias



ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Thomas Macias winds up for a punch in his unanimous semifinal decision over Chris Kitalong.

By BRIAN BURKE
Sports Writer

Going into his semifinal bout, Brian "Nightmare" Hobbins expected Justin "The ResLife Regular" Meyers to come at him charging, and he came prepared. Early on, it looked as if Meyers could back Hobbins into the ropes and fight toe to toe, but Hobbins used an array of effective combinations to expose Meyers and earn the unanimous decision.

"The best way to deal with a charger is to keep your movement going, moving backwards and then to the side, and keeping your punches straight as you can," Hobbins said. "It worked pretty well for me."

One straight punch sent Meyers to the canvas at the start of the second round. Meyers charged and Hobbins landed a shot that more surprised a frustrated Meyers than anything. By midway through the third round, both fighters were exhausted from playing cat and mouse, and they stood at the center of the ring, slugging it out as the crowd roared.

"At the end when we got caught up in that kind of wrestling match, it was because I couldn't move backwards as fast as he can move forwards," Hobbins said. "I felt tired, I just

tried channeling power, and just think about all the people who are behind me in my corner, my friends and family rooting for me, and it gives me the strength to keep throwing because I know they want to see a good show."

Hobbins will face 31-year-old grad student Thomas "Boom-Boom" Macias who won a sloppy fight over Chris "Can't We All Just" Kitalong. Sloppy would actually be a gross understatement. The first round started out with fast somewhat controlled exchanges, and ended with Macias being knocked down by a Kitalong hook right at the bell.

The remainder of the fight was something like a cross between a wrestling match and a pillow fight. Both fighters were throwing wild hooks and opening themselves to hard shots to the face. There was plenty of pushing, lunging and even head butting. In the third round especially, Macias simply landed more haymakers than Kitalong and despite being knocked down in round one, won a unanimous decision.

175 Pounds

It is down to captain against captain. Defending champion against defending champion.

With unanimous decision victories, Robert "A.M.D.G." Joyce and Mark "I'm So Pretty" Criniti have set up a title bout meeting

for the 175-pound belt Friday night.

Criniti did an excellent job of counter punching a hard hitting John Lynk in his semifinal win. Lynk was able to back Criniti into the ropes on several occasions, but Criniti did most of his damage when he seemed to be trapped. Criniti did get hit, but his three-punch combinations allowed him to win the majority of the exchanges.

Rob Joyce faced an opponent, Keith Arnold, in the semifinals who had decided his best chance was to brawl with the more tactical Joyce. Like Criniti, Joyce kept his charging foe at bay, landing good jab and straight right. Arnold liked to duck and put his head down in close, and Joyce capitalized several times.

"He had good head movement, which is hard to hit when he comes in moving like that," Joyce said. "My corner told me to throw a one or two uppercuts which I did, and threw a couple lower shots to get him in the head."

Joyce's focus now turns to the clash with his fellow captain.

"We talked about it all tournament," he said. "We're both so happy we each won, but when once it gets time for the ring we're both gonna be down to business. I know Mark's a great fighter and I'm just looking forward to fighting him."

Thompson moves one step closer to championship

By KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writer

Bengal bouts veteran Josh "The Redemon" Thompson is just one fight away from the title he's been chasing for so long. Thompson, who was favored to win, defeated Eric "Superfreak" Goulet in a unanimous decision.

Thompson had a reach advantage over Goulet, and his jab combinations dominated the entire fight. Goulet tried to push for a brawl late in the first round and early in the second, but Thompson's solid jabs shut him down.

"[Eric] has improved so much since the first time I saw him box. He came at me hard today, and I think he fought well. I landed a few straight punches in the second round, and I think that slowed him down," said Thompson.

Thompson also had the advantage of another experienced perspective in his corner.

"Having [fellow captain] Brian Hobbins in my corner really helped me a lot. He knows how I fight and what I needed to do," said Thompson.

Also in the 185 division, Scott "The Dark Horse" Duba defeated Stephen "The Angry Pirate" Pfeiffer in a unanimous decision.

Duba sent Pfeiffer over the side of the ring in the second round. It was Duba's right uppers and hooks that dominated the fight, as both boxers shed a little blood and tested each other's endurance.

Duba will face Thompson on Friday.

Light Heavyweight

It was all about the overwhelming impact of Pete "Beat the Rap" Ryan's left jab last night as Ryan defeated Benjamin "No, You're Schmoopie" Deda in a unanimous decision.

Ryan used height and reach advantage early and often in his first fight of the year. Ryan, who has won the heavyweight division championship for the last three years, took control early with his straight, solid left jabs.

Deda's put up quite a respectable defense, challenging Ryan consistently for all three rounds.

Mike "Raging Bull" Vanderpoel defeated Kevin "Hardcore" Brandl in another unanimous decision. Vanderpoel pressed for the brawl a little in the first round, then followed up with some solid one-two jabs in the second round. Vanderpoel finished the job in the third round with some high three-jab combinations and low hooks.

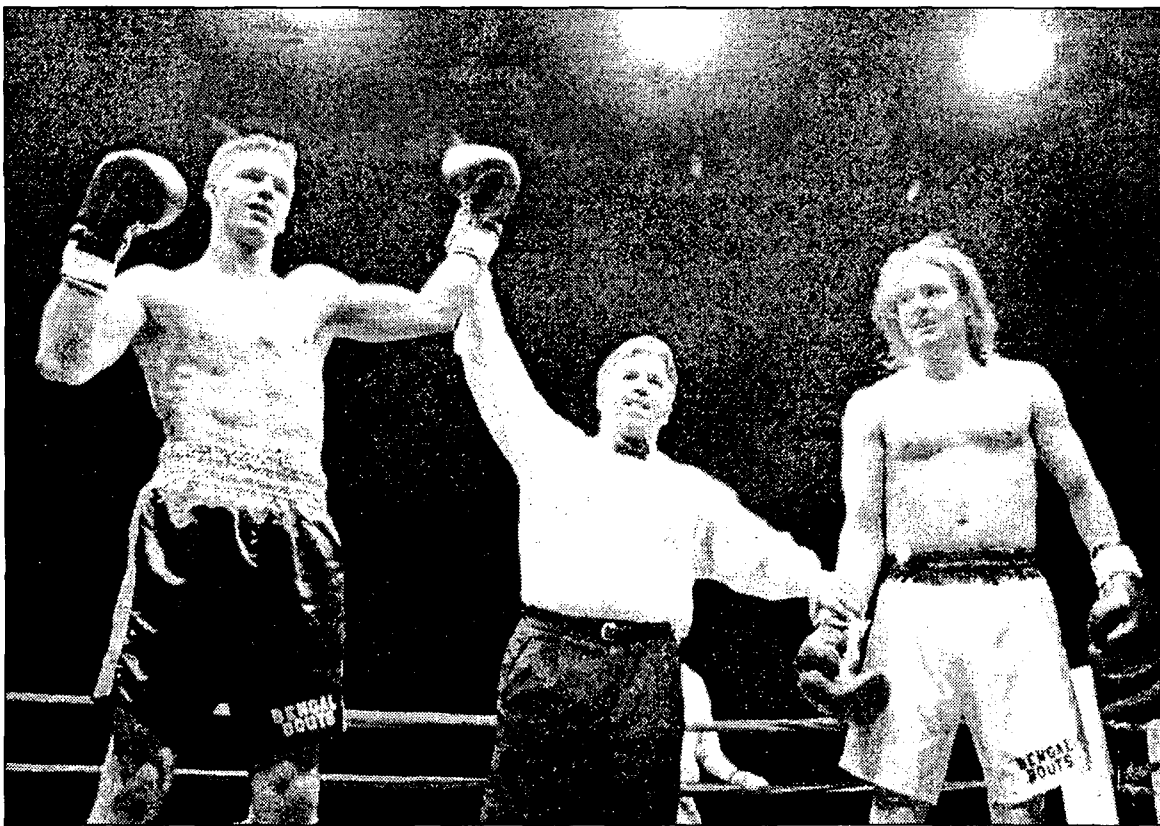
"I was able to come in up top, and down low to the body. I think I had a little more endurance. I could feel it in the third round," said Vanderpoel.

Vanderpoel will face Ryan in Friday's finals.

"He's the best boxer here. It will be great to get in there to see what I'm made of. I'll take the opportunity," said Vanderpoel.

Heavyweight

In a back-and-forth heavyweight battle that brought both boxers to their knees, Dan "Let



ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Josh Thompson, shown above left, advances to the semifinals following a unanimous decision win over Eric Goulet.

Me" Adam defeated Steven "Lefty Guns" Pratico in a split decision match.

"Steve is a big, imposing guy. When he hit, I just tried to throw harder punches, but we were back and forth the whole time," said Adam.

Adam had some high impact right hooks in the second round, and Pratico came back a little with some imposing left jabs to Adam's body. In the third round, Adam stopped anticipating and

went for it, sending both boxers teetering on the side of the ring and even to their knees for a moment.

"We were both sucking in wind till the end," said Adam.

In the second heavyweight fight, Carlos "The Master" Abeyta defeated Matthew "The Sasquatch" McNicholas. In the first round, Abeyta set the tone with a decisive high right hook. McNicholas had a strong series of jabs in the second round, but

a few of Abeyta's well-placed jabs gave him an advantage. Abeyta finished with a few more big hooks and upper cuts.

"I think my jab helped a lot, and I was able to keep my punches straight. I was able to use a lot of combos in this fight, which I wasn't able to do in my last fight. He kept charging at me, but I wouldn't let him. That felt good," said Abeyta.

Abeyta will face Adam on Friday.

NFL

Johnson to take over as Bills' quarterback

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. Doug Flutie will be cut after an exhaustive study led the Buffalo Bills to conclude that Rob Johnson is the best quarterback for the team.

In announcing the long-awaited decision on Wednesday, Bills general manager and president Tom Donahoe was relieved the monthlong selection process was over.

"We weighed everything we could weigh ... and when we put it all together, it wasn't just one factor that came up," Donahoe said. "We felt that Rob Johnson was the best quarterback, and we wanted to pick the best quarterback for our future."

Donahoe hoped the announcement ends the long-brewing controversy that divided the fans and the team over the past three seasons.

But he acknowledged that it might not end the second-guessing.

"We know that today's deci-

sion may not be a popular one with our fans. But our responsibility as an organization is not necessarily to make the popular decisions, but to make the right decisions," Donahoe said.

Donahoe added that he plans to make two more cuts, including releasing veteran long-

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Donahoe stressed that neither salary, age nor size played into the decision-making process.

"It was not based on age. It was not based on size. It was not based on how much of a hit we will take on the salary cap. It was based solely on which quarterback was best suited to lead this football team," said Donahoe.

Flutie, 37, is 10 years older, six inches shorter and about 30 pounds lighter than the 6-foot-4, 212-pound Johnson.

Flutie nor Johnson were immediately available for comment. The Bills said Johnson will comment on the decision during a telephone conference call on Thursday.

"It was based solely on which quarterback was best suited to lead this football team."

Tom Donahoe
Bills general manager

Flutie, Leaf become free agents

Associated Press

Quarterbacks Ryan Leaf and Doug Flutie became free agents and three-time Super Bowl champion Ken Norton Jr. was released Wednesday as NFL teams sliced their payrolls as a salary cap deadline approached.

More players will be released as teams get down to the \$67.4 million salary cap before free agency begins Friday.

"We are preparing for free agency and the draft and this allows these players to catch on with another team," Chargers general manager John Butler said, after getting rid of Leaf and four others.

In other salary-driven moves, the Pittsburgh Steelers released center Dermontti Dawson and the Carolina Panthers released three players who were with George Seifert when he won a Super Bowl with the 49ers in 1995.

Several more prominent players could be released on Thursday. Even teams under the salary cap were looking for ways to trim the payroll to get more flexibility.

"There are only so many slices to the pie," Miami Dolphins coach Dave Wannstedt said. "We're going to lose a couple of key guys.

There's no way around that."

The Kansas City Chiefs, who ended last season almost \$30 million over the cap, were trying to see whether they could restructure Elvis Grbac's contract. The quarterback's contract calls for a \$10 million bonus if he's still on the roster Friday.

Six-time Pro Bowl defensive lineman John Randle expected to be released by the Minnesota Vikings because he wouldn't agree to restructure his contract.

The Chargers began reshaping the NFL's worst team of 2000 by waiving Leaf, who had been in constant trouble during his three seasons.

Leaf was the second pick in the 1998 draft, taken right after Peyton Manning, but played poorly and became a distraction with his boorish behavior.

Leaf missed all of the 1999 season with a shoulder injury and won the starting job last summer, but was benched after throwing five interceptions and one touchdown in the first two games. He also started the final six games.

The Bills ended months of speculation by announcing that Rob Johnson will be the quarterback next season, making Flutie expendable. The Bills had to cut almost \$8 million off their payroll and saved \$3 million by cutting

Flutie.

Flutie, who went 21-9 as a starter with the Bills, turns 38 in October, another factor working against him.

Norton spent six years with Dallas before joining the 49ers as a free agent in 1994. Norton is the only player in NFL history to win three consecutive Super bowls — two with the Cowboys, one with the 49ers.

The Steelers also released a player who had ties to their past. Dawson, 36, is the last Steeler to play for both Chuck Noll and Bill Cowher and is the only player other than Mike Webster to play center for the team over the last 25 years.

The seven-time Pro Bowler was due a \$1 million bonus if he was still on the roster on March 9. The Steelers are trying to figure a way to keep running back Jerome Bettis.

"In order for us to sign some of our other free agents, we are forced to make some very difficult decisions," vice president Art Rooney II said.

Record-setting running back Corey Dillon will be the most accomplished free-agent available, but the Cincinnati Bengals used their transition tag on him, giving them the right to match any offer. Given the sorry state of the Bengals offense, they're determined not to lose him.

ND AFTER FIVE

Thursday, March 1

5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Romance Language Department's Italian Coffee Hour, Decio 131

7:00 p.m. Body Image Awareness Week - "Develop a Healthy Lifestyle without the Quick Fix" by Judy Molnar, 155 DeBartolo

7:00 p.m. Speaker: David N. Keightley, "Current Affairs Panel: The Pre-history and Early History of China at the Turn of the Millennium: Chineseness in the Making" - 131 DeBartolo Hall

7:30 p.m. Play: William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" - Hesburgh Center for International Studies*

8:00 p.m. ND Symphony Orchestra Winter Concert, Washington Hall

8:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Open Rec Lacrosse, Court 1, RSRC

8:30 p.m.-Midnight ND Express Billiards games open, LaFortune Student Center

9:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. "Farley Feis" and Irish Festival with various performers, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom*

9:00 p.m. Acoustic Café, LaFortune Student Center Huddle

9:30 p.m. "Milkplow" in Concert, Alumni Senior Club*

10:00 p.m. - Midnight Stepan Center: Open Play Basketball and Volleyball

10:30 p.m. Movie, "Unbreakable", DeBartolo 101* and "The 6th Sense", DeBartolo 155*

Friday, March 2

6:00 p.m. Alex Wilson Track and Field Invitational, Loftus

7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Open Rec Badminton, Court 2, RSRC

7:30 p.m. Cinema at the Snite, "Shanghai Triad", Snite Museum*

7:30 p.m. Play: William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" - Hesburgh Center for International Studies*

7:30 p.m.-Midnight Collegiate Jazz Festival, Various Performances - Washington Hall*

8:00 p.m. Movie, "Unbreakable", DeBartolo 101* and "The 6th Sense", DeBartolo 155*

8:00 p.m. Bengal Bouts, Finals - Joyce Center Fieldhouse

8:07 p.m. 807 Friday Night Mass, Morrissey Chapel

8:30 p.m.-Midnight Paintball at Michiana Paintball - Van departs from Library Circle*

8:30 p.m.-Midnight ND Express Billiards games open, LaFortune Student Center

9:30 p.m. Cinema at the Snite, "Shanghai Triad", Snite Museum*

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Saturday, March 3

7:00 p.m. Hockey, ND vs Western Michigan - Joyce Center Fieldhouse

7:30 p.m. An Evening with the "Humor Artists", Hesburgh Library Auditorium

7:30 p.m. Play: William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" - Hesburgh Center for International Studies*

7:30 p.m. Cinema at the Snite, "Shanghai Triad", Snite Museum*

7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Collegiate Jazz Festival, Various Performances - Washington Hall*

8:00 p.m. Movie, "Unbreakable", DeBartolo 101* and "The 6th Sense", DeBartolo 155*

8:00 p.m. Café Music - Kate Borkowski, Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore

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*Denotes admission charge for ND/SMC students
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CAMPUS MINISTRY

CONSIDERATIONS...

Calendar of Events

Monday, February 26 through March 26
Sign-up for Freshman Retreat #35
 (March 30-31, 2001)
 Pick up applications at 103 Hesburgh
 Library or print one out online at
www.nd.edu/~ministry/freshmanform.html

Friday, March 2, 8:00 p.m.
Morrissey Hall Chapel
807- A new Mass on Friday nights

Friday-Sunday, March 2-3
Sacred Heart Parish Center
Senior Retreat #5

Sunday, March 4, 10:00 a.m.
First Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 4, 10:00 a.m.
Notre Dame Room, LaFortune
RCIA Class
Mass at 11:45 a.m.

Sunday, March 4, 1:30 p.m.
Zahm Hall Chapel
Spanish Mass
Presider: Fr. Thomas V. Bednar, c.s.c.

Beginning Monday, March 5
through March 30
Sign-up for Senior Retreat #6
 (April 6-7, 2001)
 Pick up applications at 103 Hesburgh
 Library or print one out online
 at www.nd.edu/~ministry/seniorform.html

Monday-Tuesday, March 5-6, 11:30 pm-
10:00pm
St. Paul's Chapel, Fisher Hall
Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, March 6, 7:00 p.m.
Badin Hall Chapel
Campus Bible Study

Wednesday, March 7, 10:00 p.m.
Morrissey Hall Chapel
Interfaith Christian Night Prayer

First Sunday of Lent

Weekend Presiders

• Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Saturday, February 24 Mass
5:00 p.m.
 Rev. Edward A. Malloy, c.s.c.

Sunday, February 25 Mass
10:00 a.m.
 Rev. Peter D. Rocca, c.s.c.
11:45 a.m.
 Rev. Gary S. Chamberland, c.s.c.

Scripture Readings for this Coming Sunday

1st Reading Dt 26: 4-10
 2nd Reading Rom 10: 8-13
 Gospel Lk 4: 1-13

Wake up! It's Lent.

by Fr. Gary Chamberland, c.s.c.

Seasons come and seasons go — spring following winter, summer following spring. As students, September means new school clothes and sharpened pencils. December brings Christmas vacation and March comes with Spring Break. The Church year has its own cycle: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and ordinary time, each season following the other in a lulling rhythm. We can get caught up in the rhythm and lose sight of the purpose; we can walk through the Church year as many people walk through their lives — aimlessly and unaware.

Yesterday, we celebrated the beginning of Lent. We signed ourselves with ashes as an acknowledgement of our humanity and our utter reliance on God's mercy. Yesterday, we began to prepare our hearts for the reality of Easter. Yesterday, we shook up our static lives in an

During Lent, the earth is awakening from its winter slumber and the rites of spring are starting. Brown leaves are cleared and dead limbs pruned. Fields hardened by winter and lack of care are tilled, hard clumps of soil broken open and turned over; the earth is prepared for new planting. So, too, we are called to turn over the hardness of our hearts and to break open the soil of our souls so that new life may spring forth.

attempt to become more aware of the reality of the resurrection and more responsive to its life-giving promise. Yesterday, we tore ourselves away from our mundane routine to recommit to our baptismal promises and to living lives of hope. Yesterday, we proclaimed that we are incomplete until we rest in Christ.

Or did we? Or did we simply ride the wave of the season and receive ashes on our foreheads because they were there, because that's what you do on the Wednesday

after Fat Tuesday? Did we simply join the procession because the line was moving and it didn't even cross our minds to stop? Have we already begun to float through Lent as we float through much of life, riding the surface of whim and fancy, unaware of deeper currents and the direction we are headed? Yesterday, did we heed the warning of the church and meditate on our human finiteness? Did we embrace the call to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel? Or will Easter come along unnoticed with jellybeans and chocolate rabbits and turn our attention next to the Fourth of July, fireworks and the pleasures of the outdoor grill?

Lent, as its name implies, calls Christians to the work of springtime. All over the northern world, the earth is awakening from its winter slumber and the rites of spring are starting. Brown leaves are cleared and dead limbs pruned. Fields hardened by winter and lack of care are tilled, hard clumps of soil broken open and turned over; the earth is prepared for new planting. So, too, we Christians are called to clear away the dead wood of our lives and to scrape away our self-centeredness, our apathy and our sinful ways. We are called to turn over the hardness of our hearts and to break open the soil of our souls so that new life may spring forth.

These images of spring are the stuff of metaphors, but they are not just so many pretty pictures. Living spring — living Lent — is work. The Christian life is a life of work, honest reflection on who we are and what we have become. This stark honesty leads us to repent of our sinful ways and to walk the way of peace. That walk is work. That Lenten walk means embracing prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We till the soil of our hardened hearts when we attempt to pray more earnestly and often, turning our thoughts to God and inviting him ever more fully into our lives. That prayer can be a commitment to more formal communal prayer: attending Sunday night vespers at the Basilica or making the Stations of the Cross every Friday. It may mean a pledge to pray more in private: a nightly visit to the grotto or fifteen minutes every morning before the Blessed Sacrament.

We prepare the ground for planting with fasting. Heed the call to communal fasting and take seriously the obligation to abstain from meat on Fridays. These small mortifications prick our conscience, expose our weaknesses and help us turn to Christ. Along with these, find some personal form of fasting, be it refraining from watching professional wrestling on Monday night or giving up Swedish fish, and offer up these little hardships for the needs of others.

Give alms to those in need: thousands suffer from the effects of earthquakes in Central America and Asia, children starve, women are abused. Give a little to others. No, give a lot. Give 'til it hurts. Give from your own need and experience the freedom of the resurrection.

Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the marks of the season of Lent. They open our hearts and refocus our vision. These works of spring prepare the ground so that when the Father sends the gentle rains of forgiveness, the seeds of faith will grow. We can do the work of spring or we can simply go through the motions. We can till the soil or simply admire the plow. It is a choice. So is faith. Take advantage of the season. Choose wisely.

NBA

Miller scores 24 points in Pacers' victory

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Reggie Miller got the Indiana Pacers back on track.

Miller scored 24 points as the Pacers found their shooting touch in a 99-86 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks on Wednesday night.

The Pacers, who hit just 34 percent in Monday's loss at Charlotte, sank 40 of 71 field goals (56.3 percent) to build leads as large as 25 points in the third quarter.

"You always want to try to keep the momentum going," Miller said. "We somewhat fell off the carriage in Charlotte. It was good to get back up on the horse."

Despite hitting 8 of 16 3-pointers, the Pacers had to overcome a shooting barrage by Bucks backup guard Lindsey Hunter, who hit five 3-pointers in the fourth quarter. He hit four in consecutive possessions that cut the deficit to 91-81 with 6:23 to play. Hunter led the Bucks with 21 points.

Indiana has won five of its last six games to climb back into playoff contention in the Eastern Conference.

Miller hit 10 of 18 field goals and four of nine 3-pointers.

Five Pacers scored in double figures.

Jalen Rose added 16 points and a career high-tying 12 assists for the Pacers. Jermaine O'Neal and Austin Croshere scored 17 points each, and Zan Tabak had 13.

Hornets 91, Nets 88

Jamal Mashburn overcame a horrendous shooting night by scoring 10 of his 23 points over the final 1:51 to lift the Charlotte Hornets to a victory over the New Jersey Nets.

It was the Hornets' fifth straight victory and seventh in eight games.

Mashburn shot just 5-for-20 for the game and had only 10 points at the start of the fourth quarter when Charlotte trailed 70-69.

He continued to miss early in the period as the Nets opened up an 85-73 lead with 6:58 to play. But New Jersey went cold from there, scoring just three points the rest of the game.

Mashburn, meanwhile, finally started to hit some shots to pull Charlotte back into the game. He hit two free throws to start an 8-1 run that cut New Jersey's lead to 86-81 with 3:01 to play. He then scored the final 10 points of the game to rally the Hornets.

Stephon Marbury missed a 3-point attempt, Mashburn got the rebound and converted at the other end with a 17-footer.

Keith Van Horn then missed a 3-pointer, Eddie Robinson got the rebound and passed the ball to Mashburn, who was fouled by Kenyon Martin. Mashburn made both free throws to cut it to 86-85 with 1:27 left.

Marbury then missed another 3, Robinson got the rebound and Mashburn hit a turnaround jumper to put Charlotte up 87-86. Marbury then missed consecutive 3s and Mashburn answered with four straight free throws.

David Wesley led Charlotte

with 26 points, including 13 in the third quarter when Charlotte climbed out of a 14-point deficit. Mashburn added nine assists and eight rebounds.

Marbury led the Nets with 19 points on 8-of-22 shooting. Van Horn and Johnny Newman scored 15 each, while Martin, Lucious Harris and Aaron Williams added 10 each.

Raptors 95, Hawks 88

Vince Carter scored 32 points and Antonio Davis added 18 points and 15 rebounds as the Toronto Raptors beat the Atlanta Hawks.

The Raptors, who never trailed, won their third straight as Carter topped 30 points for the fifth time in six games.

One night after his 32 points led Toronto past Cleveland, Carter hit a 12-foot turnaround jumper at the end of the third quarter to keep the Hawks down 75-70.

Atlanta, which lost its fifth straight, got a pair of free throws from Brevin Knight to close within one point before Carter's lay-in made it 85-82 with 4:59 remaining.

The Hawks, who lost for the 12th time in 14 games, trimmed the lead to 90-88 on Jason Terry's 20-foot jumper from the top of the key with 2:01 remaining.

Terry led Atlanta with 22 points, and Knight finished with 20.

76ers 79, Heat 69

Dikembe Mutombo grabbed 18 rebounds, blocked five shots and altered countless others, more than making up for another poor shooting night from Allen Iverson as the Philadelphia 76ers beat the Miami Heat.

The tense, defensive-minded game ended with the fans taunting Miami coach Pat Riley, who questioned the Sixers' loyalty a day earlier for their trade of Theo Ratliff for Mutombo.

The Sixers beat the Heat for

the third time this season, and Riley and his big men got a close-up look at what a difference Mutombo can make. Mutombo's presence forced Miami center Brian Grant to shoot 1-for-13 and forward Anthony Mason to go 1-for-8.

Iverson attempted 27 shots and missed 21 but still finished with 27 points as he went 14-for-18 from the line. Rodney Buford added 16 points and Mutombo had 10.

Eddie Jones led Miami with 22 points and Tim Hardaway had 20. The rest of the Heat shot a combined 8-for-42.

Philadelphia snapped a two-game losing streak and avoided its first three-game slide of the season.

Timberwolves 111,

Pistons 100

The Minnesota Timberwolves might miss Joe Smith, but Wednesday night he was just another opposing player.

Terrell Brandon scored 23 points and Wally Szczerbiak added 22 as the Timberwolves beat the Detroit Pistons 111-100. Kevin Garnett had a triple-double with 18 points, 10 rebounds and 10 assists.

Smith signed with Detroit on Nov. 20 after NBA commissioner David Stern voided his contract with the Wolves, for whom he played the past two seasons. Stern ruled Minnesota had circumvented the salary cap by signing Smith to a secret long-term contract before the 1999 season. He has expressed a desire to return to the Timberwolves next season.

"You always have to have some kind of competitive edge when you play," Garnett said. "But once the game is over, he's the same guy I play against in the summer. I'm just happy he's gotten an opportunity somewhere."

On this night, Smith struggled with a 3-for-15 shooting night and scored only eight points in his first game in Minnesota since leaving the team early in the season.

"I knew this would be more difficult than when they came to Detroit," Smith said. "This has been very emotional — that's my old team and my buddies."

In the meantime, Minnesota focused on the game. The Wolves had lost five of six games and trailed 55-53 at halftime.

But Detroit went without a field goal for the first 9:11 of the third quarter, as the Wolves went on a 19-2 run to lead 72-57. Garnett and Brandon each scored six points during the run, as the Pistons missed 13 shots in a row.

"(Coach) Flip (Saunders) tried to get KG (Garnett) and I to pick up the defensive pressure at halftime," Brandon said. "Then we hit some shots and that opened things up."

Jerry Stackhouse scored 28 points for Detroit, 18 in the fourth quarter, and Corliss Williamson added 21.

Magic 97, Suns 91

The Orlando Magic are more than just Tracy McGrady. The Phoenix Suns learned that Wednesday night.

McGrady was held to less than 30 points for just the second time in seven games, but he nearly had his first career triple-double as the Magic snapped the Suns' four-game winning streak.

"It's all about trust," McGrady said. "That's what I've been learning throughout this season, being able to trust my teammates and create for others. That's what I was trying to do tonight."

McGrady had 25 points on 10-for-28 shooting with 12 rebounds and eight assists.

"This is a big win for us because it wasn't a great game by McGrady," Orlando coach Doc Rivers said. "He didn't

have his shot early. He hit some big shots at the end. He just stayed in there and was a great decoy at times."

Mike Miller had 16 points for the Magic. Darrell Armstrong, who had 13 points and 11 assists, scored four crucial points in the final 1:21 as Orlando won its second consecutive to finish its four-game road trip 2-2.

"Back to back wins on the road are very big for us," Rivers said. "We basically come back the same way we left, and that's really impressive."

Rockets 95, Bulls 78

Rudy Tomjanovich's fear of the hapless Chicago Bulls was warranted for a little more than a quarter.

Steve Francis scored 21 points and Hakeem Olajuwon added 17 as the Houston Rockets overcame an early 12-point deficit to beat Chicago.

"This is one of those games that you're really concerned about as a coach," Tomjanovich said.

Reserve Kenny Thomas had 14 points and 11 rebounds for the Rockets, who have won five of six and finished February 9-4.

Elton Brand scored 21 points to lead the Bulls, who have lost five of six.

Bryce Drew hit three 3-pointers and dished out four assists in the first quarter as the Bulls broke out to a 29-19 lead.

"We started out badly, but sometimes that's good," Tomjanovich said. "It got our attention."

Chicago led by as many 12 before Houston rallied. The Rockets went on a 15-2 run, aided by six quick points from Thomas and a 3-pointer by Walt Williams to grab a 34-33 lead midway through the second quarter.

Senior Class Mass

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NHL

Berezin scores 20th goal of the season in Toronto win

Associated Press

TORONTO

Curtis Joseph made 38 saves and Sergei Berezin scored his 20th goal of the season as the Toronto Maple Leafs beat the San Jose Sharks 2-1 Wednesday night.

Joseph stopped 22 shots in the third period alone. He's allowed just five goals in his last four starts.

Mike Ricci scored a power-play goal for the Sharks, who were without Owen Nolan (suspension) and Vincent Damphousse (shoulder surgery).

Nolan rejoins the Sharks on Thursday following an 11-game suspension for hitting Dallas' Grant Marshall in the head.

Shayne Corson also scored the Leafs, 3-1 since a trade for Philadelphia's Eric Lindros fell through last week.

Toronto, distracted by trade rumors for two months, has fallen from first in the Eastern Conference to seventh since Lindros told the Flyers he only wanted to play for his hometown Leafs.

Corson's wrist shot beat goalie Steve Shields at 13:49 of the first.

Ricci tied it just 46 seconds into the second, sweeping the puck in before being checked into Joseph.

Berezin collected teammate Yanic Perreault's shot off the boards, and put it past Shields at 3:44 of the third.

Rangers 4, Panthers 2
Brian Leetch scored his

200th goal as the New York Rangers capped an emotion-filled day, after Theo Fleury entered a substance-abuse program, with a victory over the Florida Panthers.

It was announced before the game that Fleury, the team's leader in goals with 30 and points with 74, voluntarily entered the substance abuse and behavioral health program run jointly by the NHL and the players association. The 32-year-old Fleury is out indefinitely.

New York also got goals from Sandy McCarthy, Petr Nedved and Radek Dvorak to end a three-game losing streak. The 10th-place Rangers closed within eight points of the final Eastern Conference playoff spot with only 19 games remaining.

Kirk McLean, substituting for Mike Richter who is out for the season with a knee injury, turned in a solid performance with 38 saves. He turned away 19 in the third period as the Panthers tried to muster a comeback.

McLean twice stopped Mike Sillinger on second-period breakaways and denied Pavel Bure with a sliding stop with less than two minutes remaining.

Greg Adams scored twice for Florida which ended a road trip in which they lost all five games.

Leetch, the league's top scoring defenseman, staked the Rangers to an early lead with a power-play goal on a shot from the right point at 6:46 of the first period.

McCarthy and Nedved had

second-period goals as the Rangers extended the lead to 3-0.

McCarthy fired a slap shot from the top of the right circle through the pads of Roberto Luongo at 3:30. Nedved, using Radek Dvorak as an effective low-slot screen, drilled a wrist shot from between the circles past Luongo at 18:20.

Trevor Kidd replaced Luongo to start the third period.

Adams ended McLean's bid for his first shutout at 8:24, a goal set up by McLean's poor clearing pass. Dvorak put the Rangers ahead 4-1 at 10:36, and Adams closed out the scoring with a power-play goal with 49.4 seconds remaining.

Canadiens 4, Penguins 2

Jim Campbell and Saku Koivu each scored twice to ruin Mario Lemieux's homecoming as the Montreal Canadiens beat the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Lemieux, making his only regular-season appearance in Canada in his native Montreal, set up Krzystof Oliwa's first goal of the season 16:22 into the second to draw Pittsburgh within 2-1.

Koivu scored his 10th with 7:11 remaining in the third to restore the Canadiens' two-goal lead.

Jaromir Jagr scored his 33rd goal with 3:10 left as the Penguins again closed within one before Koivu added his second of the game 1:03 later to send Montreal to its second win in as many nights following a six-game losing streak.

Campbell, who scored both his goals on the power play,

opened the scoring with just 11 seconds left in the first when he beat Penguins goalie Jean-Sebastien Aubin to complete a nice passing play with Oleg Petrov.

Aubin made 36 saves, including one on Canadiens forward Martin Rucinsky's penalty shot 4:14 into the second, as Montreal held a 39-28 edge in shots.

Lemieux had a chance to tie it on a power play moments later when he misfired with an open net after taking a pass from Jagr.

That proved costly as Campbell added to the Canadiens' lead with 10:49 gone in the second when he scored his second of the game, and eighth of the season.

Lemieux earned his 21st assist at 16:22 when he set up Oliwa from behind the net to make it 2-1.

Blue Jackets 5, Coyotes 2

The Columbus Blue Jackets were without their leading scorer but it wasn't as if anyone would have noticed.

Five Blue Jackets scored goals and Marc Denis retained his hot hand at home as the Blue Jackets beat the Phoenix Coyotes.

Geoff Sanderson, Columbus' top offensive threat with 27 goals and 51 points, was scratched with a broken finger. The low-scoring Blue Jackets still had no shortage of point producers.

"We were a little concerned about where the offense would come from, but a number of players got involved and we played a strong game," Columbus coach Dave King said.

Steve Heinze, David Vyborny, Serge Aubin, Deron Quint and Mattias Timander scored for the Blue Jackets, who won their second straight after going winless in seven games.

"A bunch of guys stepped up and played really well tonight," Heinze said.

Robert Kron had three assists, Heinze also had an assist and Espen Knutsen tied

a franchise record by running his points streak to six games in a row.

Oilers 5, Blues 3

They way they're playing these days, the Edmonton Oilers don't mind when they allow the tying goal in the third period.

"Lately, we've been able to get goals when we need them," Mike Grier said after scoring the game-winner midway through the third period, leading the Oilers to a victory over the St. Louis Blues.

Edmonton matched its season-high with its fourth straight victory.

"The other teams seem to get lucky goals to tie it up, but we don't seem to get our heads down on the bench," added Grier, who one-timed Ethan Moreau's pass under Roman Turek at 11:20 of the third to break a 3-3 tie.

Pierre Turgeon had pulled St. Louis even at 7:49 of the third, beating a screened Tommy Salo with a fluttering wrist shot from just inside the blue line.

But Moreau broke through a pair of defenders and hit Grier with a perfect pass from his knees, and Edmonton regained the lead.

"It was a great individual effort by Ethan on Mike Grier's goal," Oilers coach Craig MacTavish said. "It seems like there's a pattern starting here. We go into the third period up, relinquish a goal and battle back to win it."

Last Sunday, the Dallas Stars tied the game 2-2 in the third, but Todd Marchant scored the winner in overtime for Edmonton.

"Every time we win it's going to take a collective effort, a lot of hard work," said Moreau. "If we're going to move up in the standings, it's going to take a lot of work."

The Oilers, who also won four in a row from Oct. 11-17 and from Oct. 30-Nov. 5, are just one point behind Phoenix for seventh place in the Western Conference.

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Hobbins

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"I'm deathly afraid of heights," Hobbins said, "but I think the mental and physical training from boxing helped me. It was a total rush, but it was a challenge to make myself do it."

Hobbins credits boxing with boosting his confidence in other areas, from job searches to social situations.

Of course, it's paid off physically, too, for the fighter who made it all the way to the championship round a year ago where he faced his toughest foe. He lost to junior captain Rob Joyce, a finalist at 175 pounds this year, in last year's finals.

"Rob had just been pounding people, and he proceeded to pound me," Hobbins said. "I had a feeling it wasn't going to go my way, and it was a matter of making myself keep going and surviving the fight instead of winning it."

This year, Hobbins, who lost in the semifinals in each of his first two Bengal Bouts, hopes to come out a champion for the first time. Down to 165 pounds, he made his way to the finals Wednesday night with a unanimous decision over Justin "The ResLife Regular" Myers.

Hobbins started out quick and kept delivering punishment to Myers every time Myers came at him. Hobbins stayed patient and let Myers come to him, but made Myers pay when he did move in close. Although Hobbins, who goes by the nickname "Nightmare," tired at the end, he held a clear advantage over his opponent throughout the three rounds.

To win his first title, Hobbins will have to get past Thomas "Boom-Boom" Macias, who won a unanimous decision over Christopher "Can't We All Just Get Along?" Kitalong that saw more flung fists than a barroom brawl. Macias' "brawler" style may force Hobbins to change his style.

"I'm kind of a counter type boxer," Hobbins said. "They come to me instead of me going

to them. They step to me, and I just punch them and I leave, and that's the best case scenario. I'm going to have to readjust myself."

Boxing became a part of Hobbins' life by chance. The Minnesota native played soccer all through high school and tried out for his dorm's soccer team freshman year. But after missing a couple practices early on, Hobbins got cut from the team and found himself searching for something to do.

He found a time-filler in Bengal Bouts after attending club activity night. At first he signed up for the physical workout boxing would give him, but the club soon meant more than just something to keep him in shape.

Boxing meant close friendships with his teammates, service to the community through the thousands of dollars Bengal Bouts raise for the poor in Bangladesh and a chance to challenge himself on a daily basis.

Hobbins even turned down an opportunity to study in Italy when former captain Tommy Will called him with the chance to be a team captain. Will's phone call came late in Hobbins' sophomore year, giving him a tough decision to make.

"I thought, 'This is such a great honor and it's something I'm really starting to like. It's something that's just really starting to take hold of my existence at Notre Dame,'" Hobbins said of his choice. "Italy, not withstanding a natural disaster, will probably be there a couple of years down the road. The discipline and time it takes to be a boxing captain and boxer won't be there as long."

The American Studies major, who hopes to work with Alliance for Catholic Education next year, passed on the semester abroad in favor of Bengal Bouts. While he'd still like to travel the world, he doesn't regret his decision for a moment.

"The friendships I've made in Bengal Bouts I think are just as enriching," Hobbins said.

Just as a title would nicely adorn his boxing career.



ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Brian Hobbins, above left, is declared winner in his fight against Justin Meyer. Hobbins earned the unanimous decision.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

McGwire extends contract with Cards

Associated Press

Mark McGwire and the St. Louis Cardinals have agreed to a two-year extension worth about \$30 million.

The new deal runs through 2003, the season McGwire could be approaching Hank Aaron's home-run record of 755.

The Cardinals have called a news conference for Thursday at 9 a.m. ET at the club's spring training complex.

McGwire, 37, missed most of the second half of last season with a knee injury and had surgery during the offseason, but has been healthy this spring.

McGwire and the Cardinals were talking about an extension that would pay him \$14 million in 2002 and \$16 million the following year, according to two baseball officials familiar with the negotiations who spoke on the condition they not be identi-

fied.

McGwire negotiated the extension himself with the Cardinals and did not go through his agent, Bob Cohen.

He is seventh on the career home-run list with 554, just 201 behind Aaron, and would have to average 67 homers in the next three seasons to tie the mark.

McGwire set the single-season record with 70 homers in 1998, then hit 65 the following year. He hit 32 last season in just 236 at-bats.

With an average salary of about \$15 million, McGwire will rank about eighth in baseball.

He could command far more money if he became a free agent after this season, perhaps even top the average salary record of \$25.2 million set by Alex Rodriguez in his \$252 million, 10-year contract with Texas, but McGwire has never been interested in obtaining top dollar.

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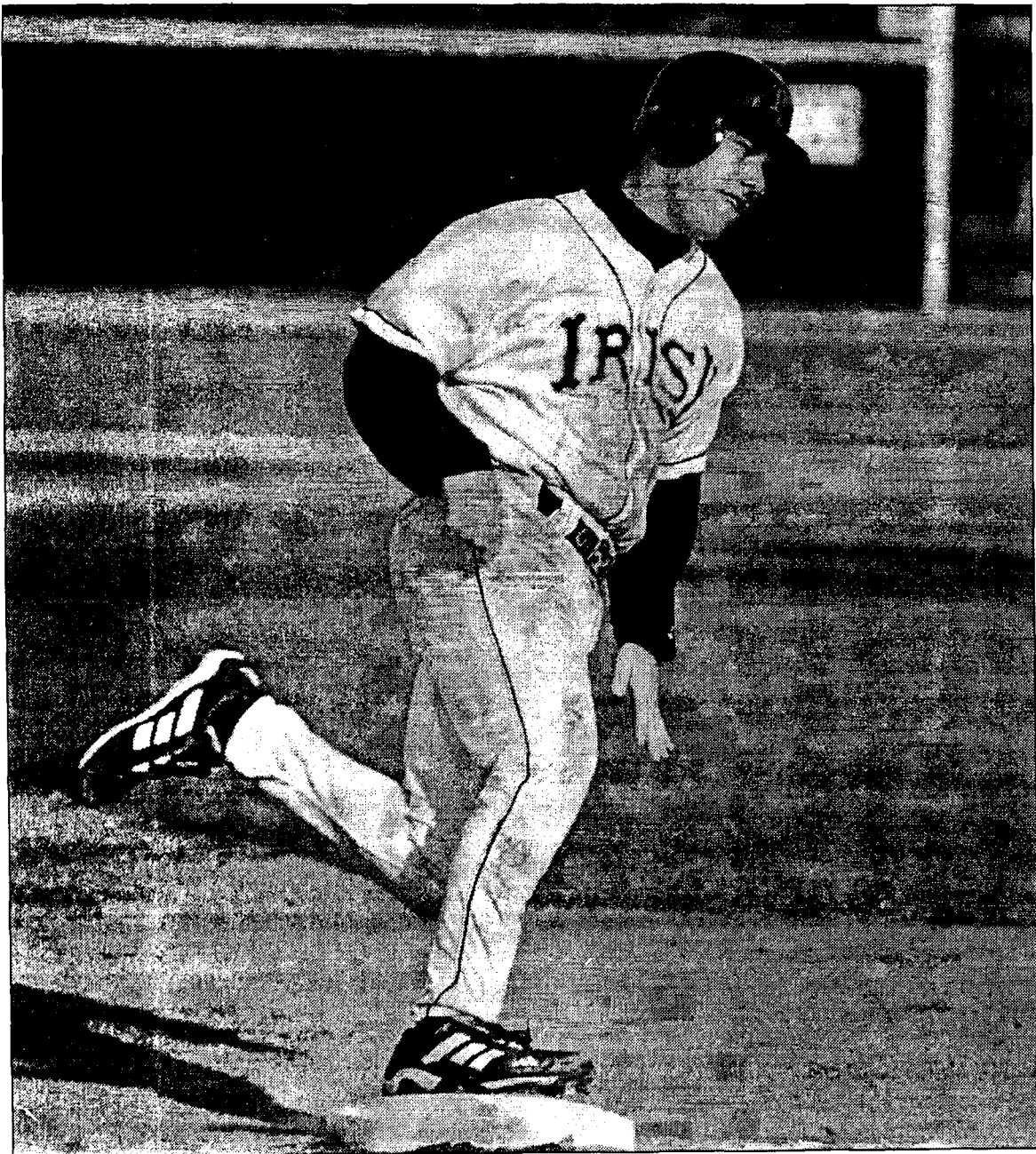
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BASEBALL

Irish face professional Devil Rays in exhibition game



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Irish shortstop Alec Porzel rounds third base after a homerun last season. Porzel led the Irish in runs batted in during the 2000 season.

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Assistant Sports Editor

Terry Newton, Jr., is a 12-year-old boy with a Notre Dame connection.

His uncle, Steve Newton, is the former Sorin Hall Rector. In fact, the first mass Steve celebrated after being ordained was Terry's baptism.

As the young boy grew up in St. Petersburg, Fla., he developed a love for the game of baseball — while still maintaining a dream of someday returning to his baptismal roots in South Bend.

Little Terry's dreams will come true when he serves as batboy in Notre Dame's contest today against the major league Tampa Bay Devil Rays in an exhibition game.

"He only wanted to go to the game," said Terry's father, Terry, Sr. "I surprised him with the batboy situation."

Both teams plan to use the game as a developmental tool. The Irish will start sophomore righthander Peter Ogilve on the mound. Ogilve missed his final two high school seasons and all of last year recovering from a back injury. The sophomore was rated one of the top pitchers in the state of Illinois prior to being injured.

Ogilve will likely only throw the first few innings, then giving way to other second-tier pitchers on the Irish roster.

The Devil Rays likely will start such stars as Fred

McGriff, Vinny Castilla and Gerald Williams. But most of these players will exit by the third inning, giving way to some of the prospects in the Tampa Bay camp.

The game marks a preview of the three-day, four-team Devil Ray College Invitational. Florida Atlantic, Western Michigan and South Florida join host Notre Dame in the tournament.

"This four-game stretch poses a tremendous challenge to our team and we are looking to build on our solid start the past two weeks," said Irish head coach Paul Mainieri in a press release.

Mainieri, who is originally from Florida, looks forward to playing three quality teams.

"We appreciate the Devil Rays arranging for this exhibition and helping to organize what should be an exciting college baseball tournament," Mainieri said. "Fans who come to the games will not be disappointed by the competitiveness and level of play and you could see several of these kids in the big leagues some day."

The Irish take on Florida Atlantic on Friday at 1 p.m., with All-American

righthander Aaron Heilman starting.

Heilman's classmate, Danny Tamayo, takes the ball against South Florida Saturday at 5 p.m.

The starter for Sunday's finale against Western Michigan is currently undecided.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish return to action against No. 11 Wildcats

By STEVE KEPPEL
Sports Editor

After three days off the Notre Dame women's tennis team is back on the road as it travels to Evanston to face 11th-ranked Northwestern. The Irish are

coming off a 3-0 weekend where they defeated Kansas State, BYU and Kansas. The Irish women are looking to extend their streak of 14-straight singles matches won without dropping a set.

"It was great," said senior Kimberly Guy about the two days without losing a set. "The first day we struggled but we improved after that. We got better as the weekend went on."

As the sixth-ranked team in the country, every team is looking to knock off the Irish. The Irish experienced their first taste of a team playing above their potential when they narrowly

squeaked by 44th-ranked Kansas State, 4-3.

"The higher you're ranked there's always a little more pressure to win," Guy said. "We know rankings don't always mean much but the higher you are ranked the more people are out to get you."

"The higher you're ranked there's always a little more pressure to win."

Kimberly Guy
senior tennis player

The Irish should be pretty evenly matched when they take on the Wildcats. The Wildcats come off of a strong performance at the National Indoor

Championships where they advanced to the semifinals and always play the Irish tough.

"It's going to be a great match," coach Jay Louderback said. "They are very strong at the top of their lineup but they are also very deep."

Said Guy: "We play Northwestern every year and they're very good and this year is one of their stronger years. It will be a good match."

Belles

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With a long history of part-time coaches and losing records, getting successful players to look into the program has been a challenge. Recruiting needs to be improved.

For right now, Smith will have to stay focused on the South Bend and Chicago areas.

"I am from here locally, so I knew the area very well," Smith said. "So we've gotten out the information in the area around the South Bend area. That should help us out."

As a Division III coach, Smith plans to focus mainly on Midwest states surrounding Indiana, such as Illinois, Michigan, and Ohio, for recruiting. Nationally, she will have to rely on other coaches or alumni contacting her about women wanting to play at Saint Mary's.

"The best way for Division III, I'll hit the Midwest," Smith said. "As far as outside of that [I'll rely on outside contacts]. That's how you get outside."

In addition to recruiting, Smith will be looking at facilities, coaching, and preparation for varsity basketball.

Saint Mary's has a history that lacks a junior varsity team. With no junior varsity team, students do not have the opportunity to be introduced gradually to playing at a collegiate level. They're thrown in with the sharks before they get to swim with the guppies.

Smith hopes to begin a junior

varsity program to Saint Mary's next year to eliminate that problem and get students more experience playing college ball.

Smith is also hoping to have a "more concrete coaching staff." What that will mean is still unclear, however.

The athletic department has been looking into finding money in order to hire full time coaches, and this may or may not affect the basketball program. Regardless, with a junior varsity program in the works, the basketball program will need to have a larger coaching staff.

The actual court in Angela is excellent to playing on, according to Smith. However, locker facilities and training facilities will eventually need to be improved. Again, specifics are unclear and money will play an important role in those needed improvements.

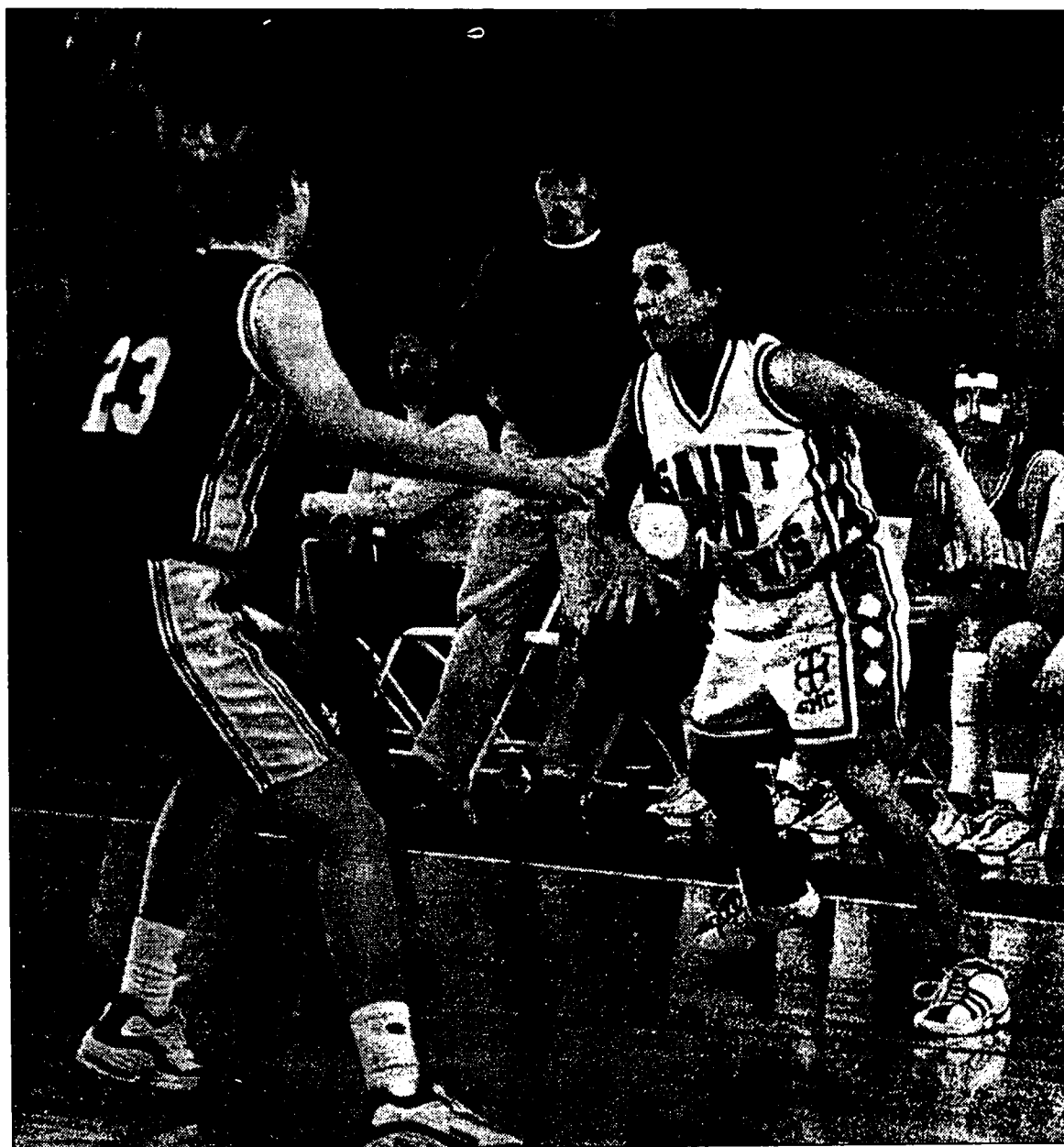
With a team looking to move along the road to success, Smith is counting on fans to do their part as well.

"We need to keep improving fans here and the excitement," Smith said.

Crowds were less than capacity this season.

Aiming high may require a lot of work, but the work is ready to be done. The journey to success will not be short for the Belles basketball team, but Smith is ready to embark on that journey.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.



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Freshman Katie Miller, shown above, dribbles the ball in a game earlier this season. The Belles finished the season at 8-18.

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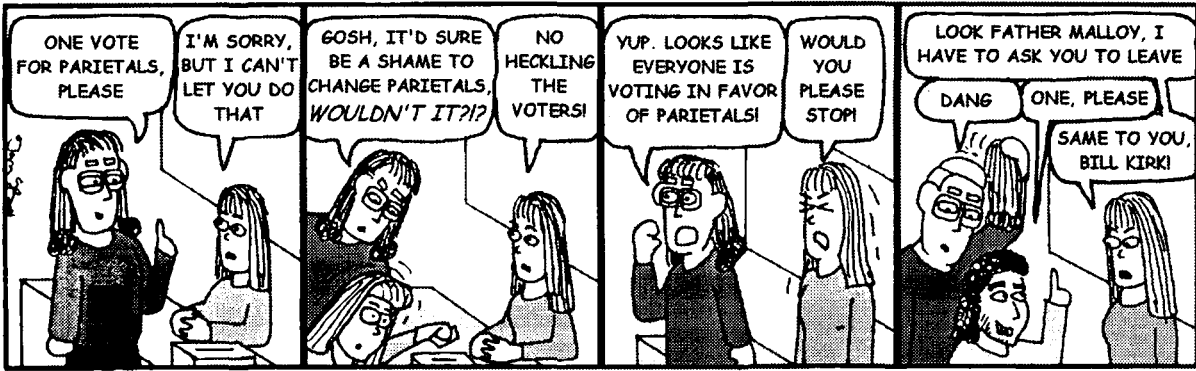
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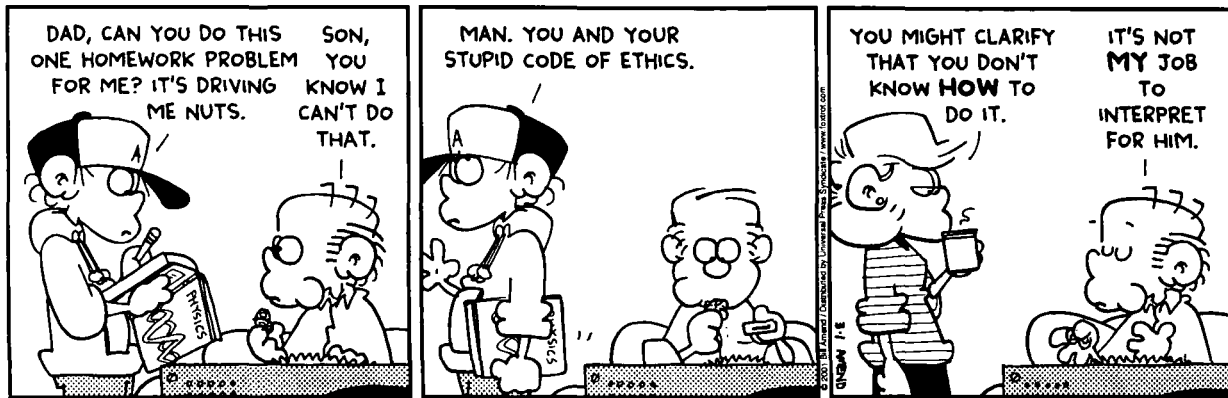
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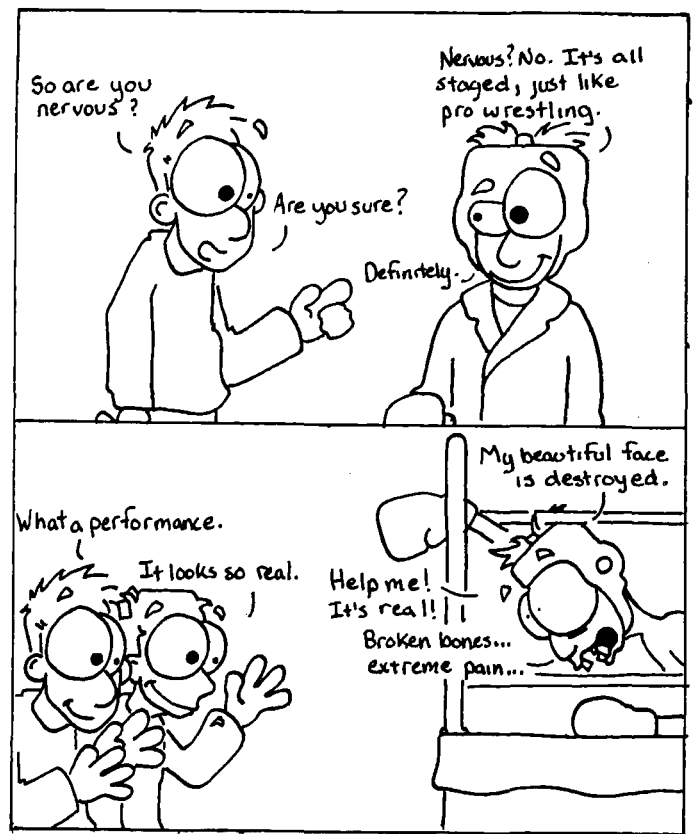
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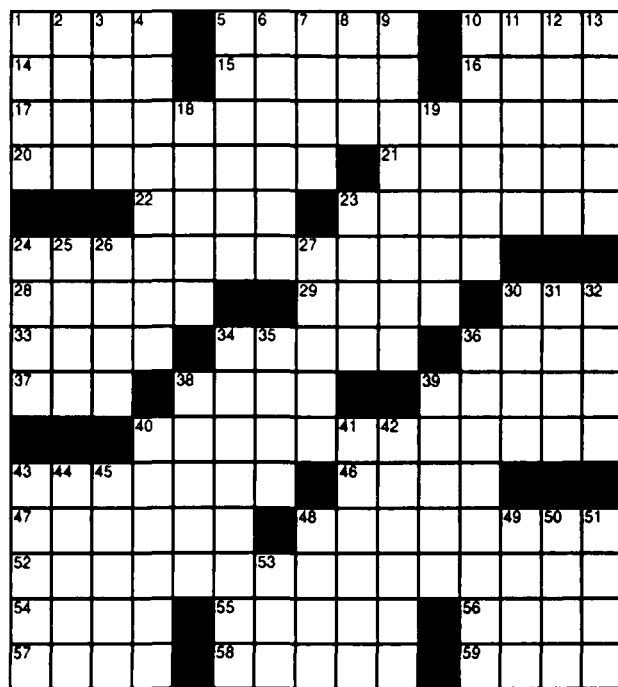


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 - 29 "out?" (dealer's query)
 - 30 Actress Hurley, for short
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 - 34 "Personal Injuries" author Scott
 - 36 Pet name
 - 37 "Shame on you!"
 - 38 "Don't you just it when ...?"
 - 39 Biblical miracle-maker
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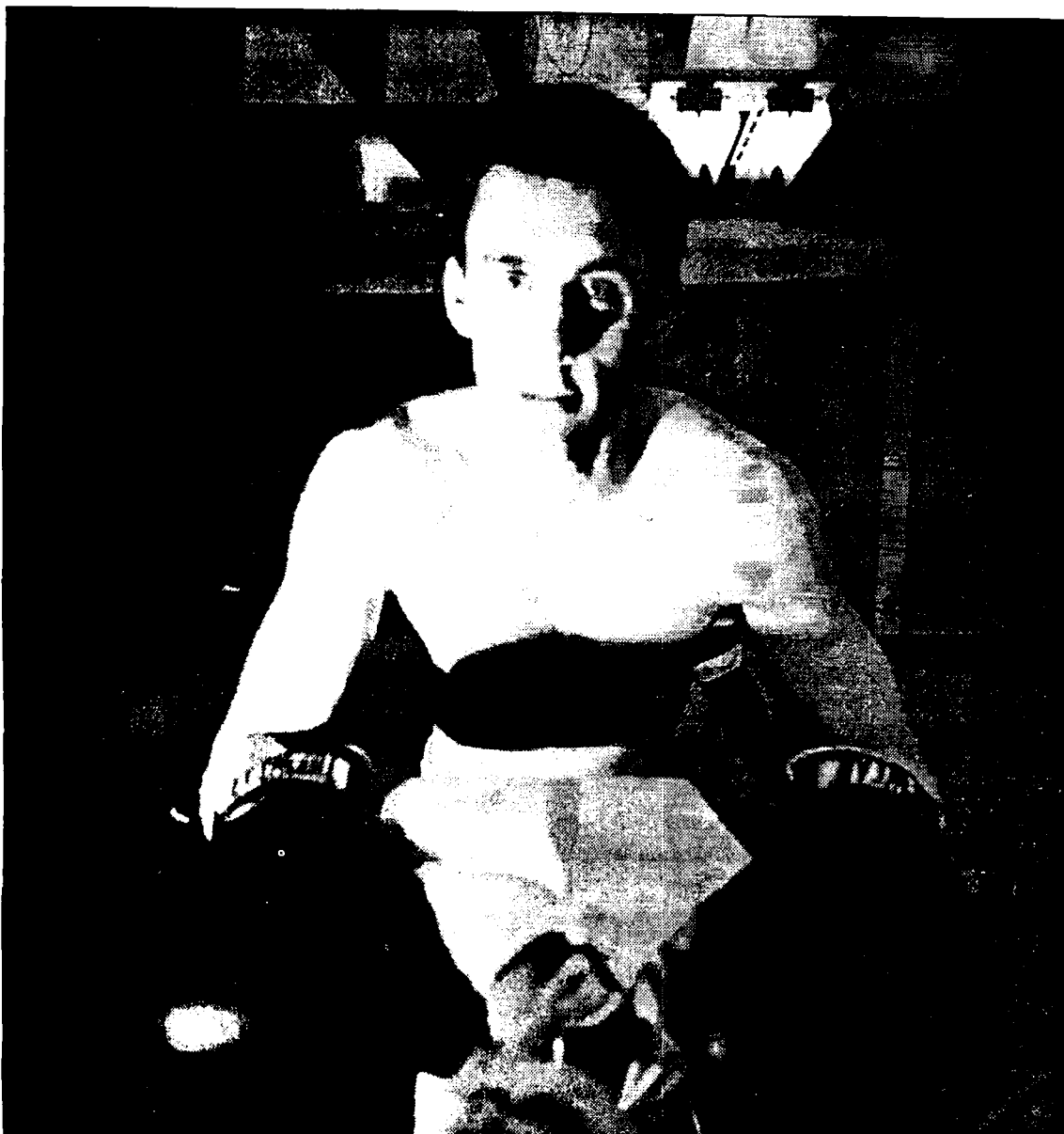
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BENGAL BOUTS

Hobbins emphasizes mental aspects of boxing



Senior boxing club captain and team president Brian Hobbins, shown above, focuses on the mental techniques necessary for a Bengal Bout win.

ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

A Dream Come True
Twelve-year old Terry Newton Jr.'s dream to see the Irish baseball team in action will come true as he acts as batboy in today's game against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays
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By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

For Brian Hobbins, physical strength has little to do with boxing.

The senior boxing club captain and team president contends that winning a bout depends on technique — who has the best strategy for luring his opponent in, whose tactics can outmaneuver the other fighter.

"It's almost more like chess than boxing for me," said Hobbins, a 165-pounder.

Stepping into the ring also lets Hobbins know he passed the gut check, the one that tested his mental resolve to fight.

"It's totally mental," Hobbins said. "Facing your fears and your doubts."

Four years in the Notre Dame Boxing Club have helped Hobbins stare down his fears. The physical beating Hobbins has been taking in six-day-a-week Boxing Club practices and spars prepared him to do more than just fight tough opponents. It also prepared him for life.

Hobbins used his Bengal Bouts experiences to battle through a fear of heights last spring. He, fellow captain Peter Ryan and several other friends traveled to West Virginia following Senior Week to go cliff climbing and white water rafting. Without his in-the-ring tests to steel his courage, Hobbins doubts he would have had the nerve to go through with the climb.

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Smith sets goals for next year

The season is over. The team finished with a record of 8-18. Now what?

With one season under her belt, Saint Mary's head basketball coach Suzanne Smith has some decisions to make. She needs to move her team.

Doubling the number of wins the team had last season seems to be one step in the right direction.

But what is the next step? Where is this team going and what is the next mile marker on that path?

So, what is the destination? Well, better MIAA play for one. The Belles won only two conference games this season after starting off the season with six victories in nine games. Staying focused and unified seemed to be a problem for Saint Mary's following a break at Christmas. Smith is hoping to fix that problem next year.

"I think we can do very well in our conference," Smith said. "What do we need to do is compete in the conference — be prepared for the long season."

Step one to better play is working with this year's team. Smith called a meeting to discuss this past season and next season with her team.

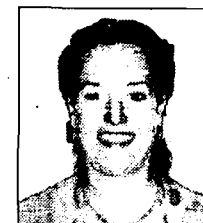
"We just graduated one senior (Julie Norman)," Smith said. "If things go right everyone should come back."

With most of her team returning next season, Smith should have a step-up on this year's start. Smith didn't meet her team until August of this year.

"It's so nice right now," she said. "We can get together in the post season and throughout the summer and have a better idea of what we're doing — have some consistency."

That seems to be good for the short term. But what about the long term? What is Saint Mary's doing to improve the team for the long haul?

There are several things that the team has been lacking.



Katie McVoy

Inside Saint Mary's Sports

Newburg adds to winning legacy with victory

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In winning the 125-pound weight division as a freshman last year, Shawn "Old Dog, New Tricks" Newburg established himself as a dominant fighter in the ring.

Wednesday night, in his 2001 debut in the 130-pound division, Newburg only added to his legacy — scoring a unanimous decision victory over Tom "Gun" Steinbach.

In a fight that went just as he wanted it to, Newburg was able to dictate the pace for the first two rounds before unleashing a bag of new

tricks in the third.

"I came out aggressive in the first," Newburg said. "Then in the second, I wanted to save something, so I was a bit more technical."

Steinbach, trying to capitalize on his opponents more casual second round style, made his run only to be rebuked by Newburg's defensive skill.

"I thought I blocked well," Newburg said. "I saved energy in the second so I had plenty left to use my power in the third."

On the other side of the 130-pound bracket, the experienced Camilo Rueda outdueled junior Derrick Bravo.

The taller Rueda used his slight reach advantage expertly, and each time Bravo ducked inside he was met with a staggering right hand.

"That's all experience," Rueda said. "I've been doing this for four years so I have a pretty good idea of what to do."

135 Pounds

Tony Hollowell was never even supposed to be here. Few gave him a shot at upsetting top seed Matt Fumagalli in Monday's quarterfinals, but that's just what he did.

Wednesday the freshman sensation was impressive again in gaining a grueling

split decision over Ryan "The Quiet Man" Duffey.

In a bout highlighted by brilliant flurries from both combatants, Hollowell hit Duffey with a right in the third round that drew blood, forcing him to retreat to his corner.

Hollowell thought that was when the fight changed in his favor.

"It was pretty even, I thought, until that point," he said. "He fought an awesome fight and I just feel lucky to go to the Big Dance."

Hollowell's dance partner Friday night will be sophomore Joshua Coleman, who

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