



Two Thumbs Up

Theater critic Chris Scott has nothing but praise for "Chance at Love," a new musical comedy written by two Notre Dame juniors.

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Three alumni question ND's enthusiasm about the smallest tuition increase in over 40 years and propose a tuition freeze.

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Knight talks on history with ND, media portrayals

♦ Former IU head coach says press created controversy

By LAURA ROMPF
Associate News Editor

While coaching at Indiana, Bobby Knight loved visiting South Bend to play Notre Dame. The people were nice and the fans were courteous. Except for one.

See Also

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When the Hoosiers played the Irish, former athletic director Moose Krause would don a bright red sweater, similar to the infamous sweater Knight himself wore.

"Moose was great," Knight said. "He'd say, 'Now Coach, I'm wearing this red sweater for you. We're going to beat your ass, but I'm wearing this red sweater for you.'"

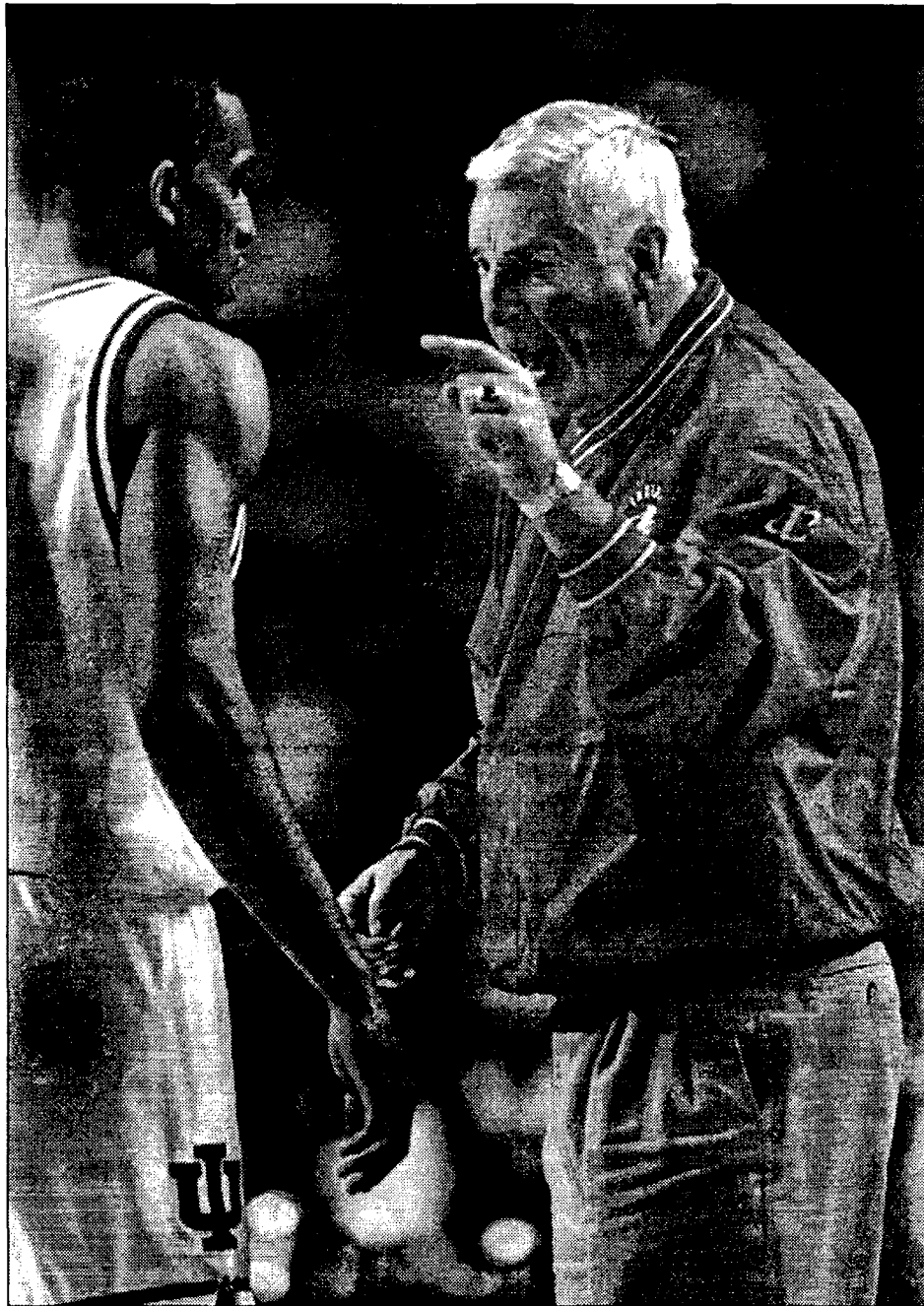
Besides Krause, Knight has several other close friends connected with the University, including former men's basketball coach Digger Phelps. While coaching at West Point in the late 1960s, Knight said he eventually wanted to move to Notre Dame and even contacted the athletic director about the head coaching position. About a month after Knight accepted the

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Former Indiana University head basketball coach Bobby Knight visits Notre Dame Tuesday to discuss the unique situations coaches face (above). Knight was fired from Indiana following multiple allegations of violence and player abuse. Well known for his demanding style, Knight expresses his dissatisfaction with former Indiana forward Lynn Washington's play during Indiana's March 17, 2000 first round NCAA tournament loss to Pepperdine University (right).



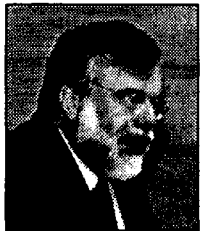
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Riccardi receive ND award for Sant' Egidio work

By ALLY JAY
News Writer

Last night, Andrea Riccardi added his name to the company of Former President Jimmy Carter, Mother Teresa and John Hume. As a recipient of the Notre Dame Award, Riccardi was honored in a prayer service and award ceremony in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium Institute for International Peace Studies. The award was created to recognize excellence and achievement in service, according to University President Father Edward Malloy, who presented the award to Riccardi.

"Together you and your community have befriended the physically and mentally disabled, foreign immigrants, gypsies, the homeless and people with AIDS," said Malloy. "We thank you for your inspiring



Riccardi

vision and the example you and your community have set. We hope this University lets the young dream and gives them skills to be effective."

Riccardi is internationally known as the founder of the Sant' Egidio ("St. Giles") Community, which was instrumental in mediating a 1995 agreement that brought peace to Mozambique after 16 years of civil war. The community is named for the Carmelite convent in Rome's Trastevere neighborhood where Riccardi first founded the community with the help of friends.

"In 1968, inspired by Pope John XXIII's insistence that the Catholic Church is 'for everyone, especially the poor,' you and your friends ran a soup kitchen and tutored the children of the neighborhood's poor," said Malloy. "Soon you were joined by some who came to socialize, some to help. The community now overflows the Trastevere neighborhood where you still gather to serve soup."

Today, the community's members continue to be active in ministry and oppose all forms of violence. They recently gath-

ered 2.7 million signatures on a petition to abolish capital punishment, which was presented to Kofi Annan, secretary general of the United Nations.

"Dear friends, it is a great privilege for me to receive this award. You honor not only my personal work but also honor the Sant' Egidio community," said Riccardi. "The prize you award is great encouragement of me and the men and women of the Sant' Egidio community. Thank you for your support in our dream."

In accepting the Notre Dame Award, Riccardi stressed the importance of dialogue in bringing peace to war torn areas throughout the world.

"I can not forget the war in Mozambique which ended with Sant' Egidio's help in 1992. For this we had worked," Riccardi said. "This war produced one million deaths. This revealed Christians can bring peace and that peace is possible."

Riccardi also discussed how in today's increasingly diverse world, there is more risk in coexistence of different religious and ethnic groups. He affirmed dialogue

as a mediation tool for peace.

"This is what we've been doing for years, bringing understanding to people of different religious groups," he said. "Understanding restores sympathy. Dialogue generates sympathy and leads to coexistence."

Riccardi also expressed concern over easy access to arms and how this exacerbates conflicts between groups with opposing views and backgrounds.

"War remains as a terrible companion for all people. But if today many can generate conflicts and war, many can also be the ones to make peace," said Riccardi. "As our world enters a new century the world needs the wisdom of dialogue, friendship and faith. These are not marginal elements but part of reality and needed for peace."

The community of Sant' Egidio is now a movement of over 30,000 men and women that is present in 60 countries. The movement has expanded through personal contacts and friendship continues to be a uniting bond.

INSIDE COLUMN

Inside the mind of the enemy

I'm a guy. I read Cosmopolitan magazine. And I have darn good reasons for it.

First of all, the women in it are more attractive than any models you'd find in Maxim or Stuff. Sure, the poses are more tasteful, which is a drawback, but the ads all have really hot women in them, whereas Maxim and Stuff ads only sometimes have attractive women in them.

Flipping through the magazine, I saw pictures of such pretty, young celebrities as Sandra Bullock, Cindy Crawford, Pamela Anderson and Halle Berry to name just a few.



Jeff Baltruzak

Assistant Sports Editor

The letters women right into Cosmo are freaking hilarious. The March 2001 issue has a quote in the letters section that reads, "I crave sex more than men do. Am I a nympho?" Obviously, I skip over the parts of the magazine about "women's troubles," because that's better left to women.

But the bottom line to why I read Cosmo, a magazine not meant for me, is because it's like getting 200 pages of intelligence from behind enemy lines. Cosmo is like talking to 100 girls about life and sex, except that the Cosmo editors boil it down and add all sorts of raunchy embellishments for everyone's enjoyment.

Guys spend way too much time wondering what girls are thinking. That time is wasted when Cosmo is available for only \$3.50.

For instance, there is an article in this month's issue called "Mesmerize Him." It has tips about how to make guys really want girls, one of which is "Throw Him Off Course." As guys, nothing pisses us off more than finding ourselves stupidly in the middle of a female mind game that we had no idea we were walking into. Tips like this can keep us on "mind game alert" and generally make our lives easier.

And, more importantly, for those guys who have found themselves in the "Yeeeeaaaaah, She's Pretty Mad About [Whatever]" zone, Cosmo offers descriptions of what actual good boyfriends did to cheer up their girlfriends. It cuts down on thinking time, which directly leads to an increase in beer drinking time.

What is the biggest problem facing male-dom today? That's right, gift buying. We mindlessly go to the mall and seemingly wait for divine inspiration, like God himself will shine a blinding light on the perfect gift. Cosmo lists what's hot with the ladies as far as clothes and accessories, which can dramatically decrease shopping time and stress, as well as directly decrease the time between your mouth and a cold one.

The tips for women in Cosmo can also work for guys. Like the section on how to give a good massage — that applies to everyone, not just the sassy female readers of Cosmo.

Sometimes it seems Cosmo's written by guys. Especially when there's a section in "Cosmo Living" called "Be a Bar Maiden." Wow. Like Cosmo read guys' mind.

So what's stopping you from purchasing Cosmo? You don't want to be seen in public buying it or get a weird look from the clerk when he/she rings it up. My solution is that you don't buy it. Lots of girls get, just steal it from one of them. You'd be surprised how easy it is.

I'm not saying to stop reading Maxim or Stuff. I say just add a third magazine to your bathroom repertoire. I think you'll find insights that would take lifetimes to pry out of women helpfully summarized with lots of pictures of hot models.

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

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THIS WEEK IN SOUTH BEND

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
◆ Event: Dinamation's Dinosaurs Alive!, Studebaker National Museum, 9 a.m.	◆ Fundraiser: Respect Life Annual Dinner, Century Center, 6 p.m.	◆ Theatre: South Bend Civic Theatre presents WIT, Century Center, 7:30 p.m.	◆ Fundraiser: Urban League, Century Center, 11:30 a.m.
◆ Lecture: "Visual Thinking and Autism," 101 DeBartolo Hall, 7 p.m.	◆ Theatre: "Steel Magnolias," Beckwith Theatre, 7:30 p.m.	◆ Movie: "Requiem For a Dream," Snite Museum of Art, 9:30 p.m.	◆ Concert: South Bend Symphony Masterworks Concert Series, Morris Performing Arts Center, 8 p.m.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Judge rejects U. Michigan Law admissions

ANN ARBOR, Mich.

In a total rejection of the University of Michigan's defense of its affirmative action policies, U.S. District Judge Bernard Friedman ruled Tuesday morning that the Law School's use of race as a factor in admissions is unconstitutional. Furthermore, Friedman declared that diversity is not a compelling state interest, nor can it be used to remedy past discrimination.

While conceding that diversity is a "laudable" goal, Friedman also said "a distinction should be drawn between viewpoint diversity and racial diversity." Friedman ruled that the Law School's consistent enrollment of 10 percent to 17 percent under-represented minorities in each class since the 1992 adop-



tion of the disputed admissions policy constitutes an unspoken quota.

"The Law School has made the current admissions policy practically indistinguishable from a quota system," he wrote.

Friedman also ruled that University President Lee Bollinger, Law School Dean Jeffrey Lehman

and former Law School Director of Admissions Dennis Shields were excused as defendants in the case. Curt Levey, director of legal and public affairs for the Center for Individual Rights, said the Washington D.C.-based law firm that represents plaintiff Barbara Grutter is "deeply gratified by the decision."

"It went even further than we hoped for by ruling not just that this kind of diversity is not a compelling governmental interest but even if it were, the University's policy would still be illegal because they haven't bothered to consider less discriminatory practices," Levey said.

University officials immediately gathered Tuesday morning to discuss the decision.

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

Faculty fellow detained in China

WASHINGTON

A faculty fellow from American University's School of International Service has been detained in China for over a month since being apprehended at the Beijing airport on Feb. 11 with her family. Chinese authorities detained Gao Zhan with her husband, Xue Donghua, and their 5-year-old son, Andrew, who is an American citizen. The three were returning to Washington after a three-week vacation celebrating the Chinese New Year with family in China. Gao and Xue are permanent residents of the U.S. and are awaiting their citizenship, Xue said. The Foreign Ministry in China has said that Gao was suspected of "engaging in activities damaging state security." Specific details on her offenses, however, have not been released. Xue and Andrew were released by Chinese national security officials on March 8 and left China. Xue initially was silent about the situation because he said Chinese officials told him that publicity would adversely affect his wife's situation.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Curators approve new drug policy

COLUMBIA, Mo.

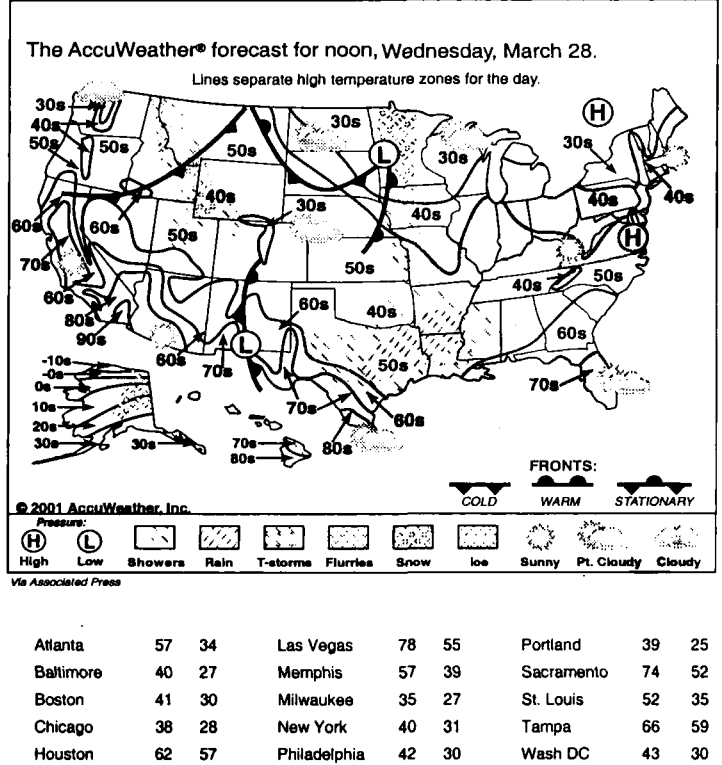
Despite student efforts and the recommendation of the Academic Affairs Committee to vote against the proposal, the University of Missouri system Board of Curators voted narrowly to adopt a parental-notification policy Thursday. The policy passed in a 6-to-3 vote, with curators Hugh Stephenson, Mary James and Paul Combs voting against the policy. Under the policy, parents or legal guardians would receive written notice that their children had violated campus alcohol and drug policies. Any other information about the offense would have to come from students, unless the parents signed a waiver stating they wished to receive details about the violation. The policy would only allow notification on a second offense or a "severe" first offense. Board President Paul Steele said the policy would increase parent-student communication. "I have been involved with education for most of my life, and one of the keys to student success is parent involvement," Steele said. "To me, this is a very simple way to get parents involved with students."

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NATIONAL WEATHER



Former IU coach offers tips for successful living

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

He was on his best behavior. Anyone expecting the hot-tempered, aggressive tactics Bobby Knight has made famous on the court was instead treated to the feel-good motivational side of the former Indiana University (IU) head basketball coach Tuesday. Knight's sold-out appearance

at the University's Stepan Center saw the "General" describe his experiences from the sidelines of the hardwood and gab to a mostly student audience for 90 minutes about succeeding in life.

Knight, who received a standing ovation after being introduced, talked to a crowd of around 1,800 about methods for students to become responsible, self-sufficient adults.

"What I want and what I see as my duty as a coach is to demand things of students, to put them in a better position to demand things of themselves," said Knight, who was hired last week as head coach at Texas Tech University.

Knight encouraged students to be good communicators and avid readers and to develop discipline in their lives. He said they should

take note of their strengths and weaknesses and surround themselves with people who bring out positive qualities in them.

"Never turn your back on people who want you to be the very best you can be. In fact, find people who want you to be the best you can be," he said.

In September, IU fired the often controversial coach, and last week Knight was selected to the Texas Tech post.

Knight's recent prominence in the news was the driving force behind his appearance at the University, according to Steven Christ, a member of the Student Union Board (SUB) committee that organized the coach's visit.

He said SUB paid Knight a speaker's fee, but Christ declined to comment on the amount given to the coach.

On Tuesday, Knight — known for his courtside temper and red sweater — sported a blue sweater and yellow collared shirt and expressed a deep regard for Notre Dame.

"Take a look at how I'm dressed. This is as close to blue and gold as I could get," he said after acknowledging his respect for former friends and rivals Edward "Moose" Krause and Digger Phelps.

He called the University a "fine institution" and remembered that Krause used to wear a red sweater to Notre Dame-IU basketball games. His reflection on the longtime Notre Dame coach and athletic director prompted a choked up, if rehearsed, moment from Knight, who is associated

with throwing chairs and man-handling players.

"I think Moose, if he were down here tonight, he'd have a red sweater on that would have Texas Tech on it," he said, his voice trailing off.

Knight spoke behind a lectern on a raised platform in a chilly Stepan Tuesday night. His elevated view let him look into an enthusiastic audience — dotted with Hoosier red — that cheered both the General's lightheartedness and sarcasm directed at his former employer.

Throughout his speech, Knight made intentionally ironic statements about his "extreme patience" and "pat-on-the-back" tactics. In a particularly cynical remark, Knight said, "Some of my mistakes have not bothered me as much as they've bothered the press ... or bothered members of Indiana University's administration."

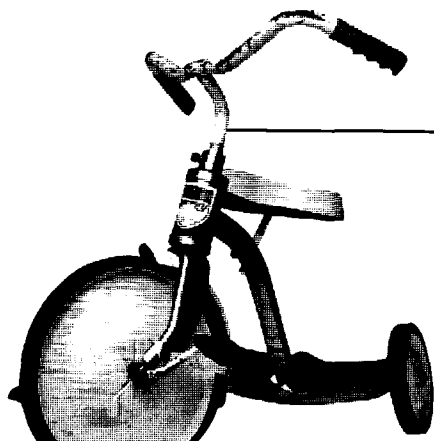
Knight's appearance included a brief question-and-answer segment that yielded diverse questions from audience members. Most questions were concerned with his coaching experience and thoughts on the game.

Asked if his motivational tactics would work in the National Basketball Association, Knight said, "I'm not really sure that what God does would work in the NBA."

Since leaving IU in the fall, Knight has made similar appearances at college campuses and on national television shows. Monday night he appeared on "Larry King Live."

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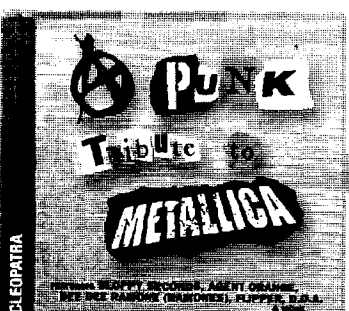
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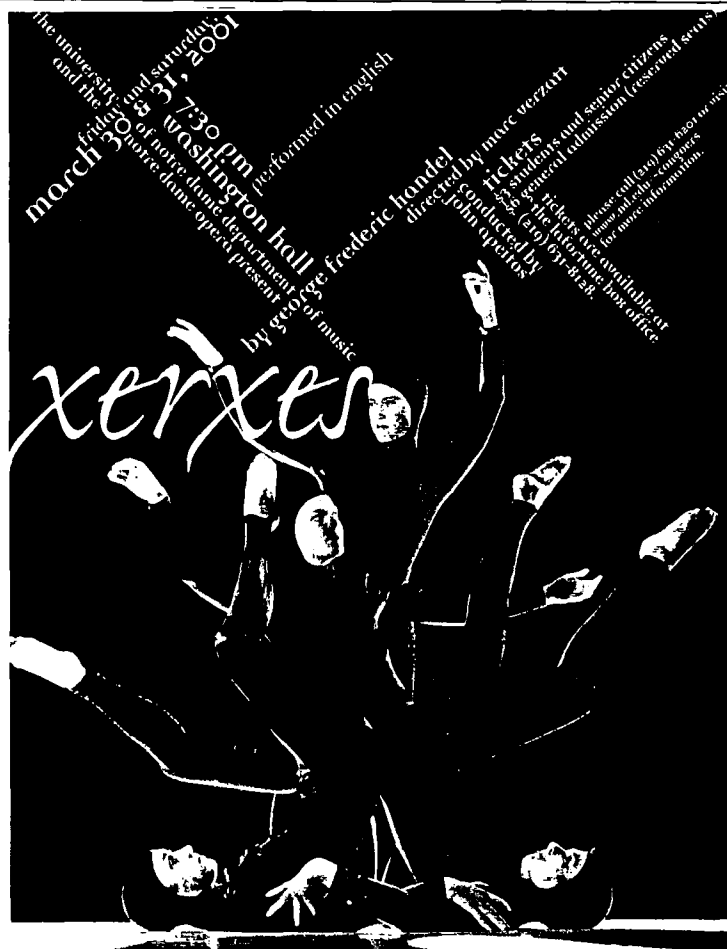
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Erasmus Institute to establish book award

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's Erasmus Institute has established a publishing award to honor books which examine issues in the social sciences, humanities or arts in light of Christian, Judaic or Islamic intellectual traditions.

The new Erasmus Institute Book Prize will be awarded the author of the best nonfiction book in English published in the United States during the previous calendar year. The \$20,000 prize will be awarded each spring beginning in 2002.

The prize is intended to celebrate the intellectual resources of these religious traditions and to encourage writers to apply them to issues ordinarily regarded as extraneous to religion. The winning book will be chosen by a three-member jury evaluating works from a wide variety of fields, though explicitly theological or ethical works will not be considered.

Jury members for the first Erasmus Institute Book Prize competition are Henry Louis Gates, Jr., W.E.B. DuBois Professor of the Humanities and director of the DuBois Institute for Afro-American Research at Harvard University; Sabine McCormack, Walgreen

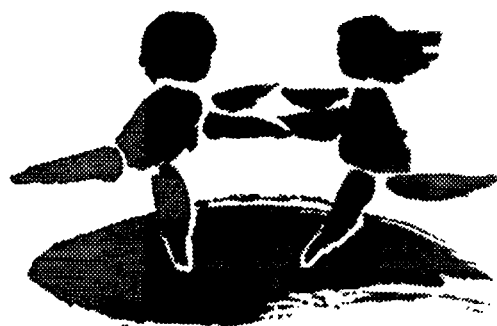
Professor of Human Values, professor of history and professor of classical studies at the University of Michigan; and Peter Steinfels, "Beliefs" columnist for The New York Times and visiting professor of history at Georgetown University.

The inaugural winner will be announced Feb. 1, 2002, and the prize will be awarded at a reception in New York City on April 6, 2002. For the first competition, books published in either 2000 or 2001 may be submitted. Only the book's publisher or a member of the Erasmus Institute Book Prize selection committee may make nominations.

Established in 1997 and named in honor of the 16th-century Catholic scholar and reformer, the Erasmus Institute seeks to reinvigorate the role of Catholic intellectual tradition in contemporary scholarship. Primarily concerned with Catholic intellectual life, the institute also supports research deriving from the intellectual traditions of other Christian churches, Judaism, and Islam. In addition to the Erasmus Institute Book Prize, the Institute sponsors residential fellowships, summer seminars, and conferences in the United States and abroad.

ECDC Registration

The Early Childhood Development Center, located at the University of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College, is now accepting 2001 Summer Registration for children ages three through six and 2001-2002 School Year Registration for children ages two through five. Both part time and full time enrollment schedules are available. For more information, please call one of the numbers below.



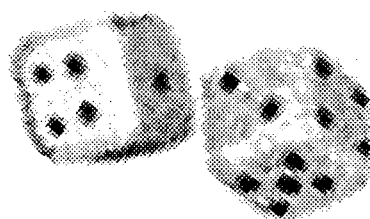
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Brazil searches for Amazon tribe:

Anthropologists and Indians are trekking through the Amazon in search of what is believed to be one of the last uncontacted tribes — but the team will not make contact. The tribe was spotted last year after Federal Indian Bureau officials flying over the region photographed a previously undetected village made up of 16 long houses, officials said Tuesday.

Panama Canal opens to U.S. ships:

The World War II battleship USS Iowa — one of the widest vessels to pass through the Panama Canal — moved slowly through the waterway on Tuesday en route to a berth in San Francisco Bay. The 48,000-ton warship, which set out from Newport, R.I., on March 8, is due to be kept in reserve off Benicia, Calif., until at least 2004.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Hispanic population grows in Arizona:

Arizona's Hispanic population grew by 88 percent during the past decade and now accounts for a quarter of the state's 5.1 million people, according to census figures released Tuesday. Overall, the state's population grew by 40 percent during the 1990s, trailing only Nevada's 66 percent.

Businessman challenges Bush on cheap drugs:

A wealthy Nebraska businessman who has pushed for healthier fast food is taking on the high cost of prescription drugs. Phil Sokolof is asking President Bush to get behind a drug-price plan that languished in the previous White House. He contends Bush promised in last year's presidential contest to support the new law, which allows prescription drugs sold overseas back into this country at similar low costs. "American drug prices are outlandish!" declares Sokolof's full-page ad.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Deer debate continues:

Beverly Shores may be disarming its sharpshooter, but it's not giving up on thinning the town's deer herd. The Town Council this week approved a resolution that will suspend the town's bid to have a hired sharpshooter kill 75 deer by the end of the month. The sharpshooter killed a single deer in two days before the town put the deer cull on hold amid protests. Under the resolution approved on a 4-1 vote, the deer cull will not resume as long as the Citizens Coalition of Beverly Shores and other groups continue efforts to sterilize 75 bucks.

JORDAN



Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat (left), Syrian President Bashar al-Assad (right) and Vice President Abdel Halim Khaddam (center) walk into a meeting on the sidelines of the Arab summit.

Arab leaders convene summit

Associated Press

AMMAN
Arab leaders at their first regular summit in 10 years pledged strong support Tuesday for the Palestinian uprising against Israel.

But the leaders from the 22-member Arab League are still trying to forge the same unity over Iraq, whose 1990 invasion of Kuwait shattered Arab ranks and led to Iraq's international isolation.

In speech after speech, the Arab leaders praised the 6-month-old uprising, or intifadeh. And some — including Syria and

Lebanon — harshly rebuked Israel.

Even President Bashar Assad of Syria, whose country has had bumpy relations with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, backed the Palestinians. And he criticized Israel for electing Ariel Sharon as prime minister.

"To know the reality of the coming peace, it is necessary to know the reality of the Israeli street," Assad said in impromptu remarks interrupting the official text of his speech. "It is a racist society and more racist than Nazism."

Assad added: "We stretch our hands to our

Palestinian brothers and we tell them that we stand by you ... in establishing your Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital and we stand by you in support of the intifadeh."

Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi surprised the gathering by proposing that Israel join the 22-nation Arab League, saying that was the only way to contain the Jewish state, according to an Arab diplomat who attended the meeting. At his request, Gadhafi's speech was not broadcast live with those of the other leaders who took the podium Tuesday.

Gadhafi, who is known

for his eccentric remarks, said that before joining the Arab League Israel would have to meet certain conditions, including withdrawing from traditionally Arab east Jerusalem and other war-won Arab territory seized in the 1967 Middle East war, the diplomat said on condition of anonymity.

Assad and Arafat met for a half-hour on the sidelines of the Arab summit Tuesday and agreed to coordinate their peace policies, a breakthrough meeting following years of tense relations between the two sides.

In his speech to the sum-

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SOMALIA

Rebel gunmen attack aid group

Associated Press

MOGADISHU
Militiamen ambushed an aid convoy and attacked the compound of a French humanitarian group in Mogadishu on Tuesday, taking away nine relief workers, officials said.

Witnesses said at least eight Somalis were killed in the fighting, which grew out of a feud between a group hired to protect the Medecins Sans Frontieres compound and a

rival militia. As many as 30 people, mostly militiamen, were wounded, according to hospital sources.

Interior Minister Dahir Dayah said several people were injured and the compound was looted. Government troops sent to intervene were engaged in a fierce battle with militiamen late Tuesday.

A top official in the militia that assaulted the convoy — a faction headed by Musa Sude Yalahow — said the nine relief workers were in three different places under the

faction's control. None were injured, and "we'll release them soon," said Abdulkadir Mohamed Mohamud, an aide to Yalahow.

The nine workers included two Spanish members and one French member of the French aid group Medecins Sans Frontieres — known in English as Doctors Without Borders, or by its French acronym MSF. The others were U.N. workers — three Britons, an American, a Belgian and a sixth who the United Nations said was French.

Knight

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Indiana job, the Notre Dame job opened up and was offered to Phelps.

"Digger got the job, which I think he would've [even if I had been available]. It worked well for both of us," Knight said. "Indiana was a great place for me to go, and Notre Dame was a great place for Digger to go."

The two remained friends and coached against each other annually, either in Bloomington or South Bend. During one visit to Notre Dame, Knight brought a priest who was the head of the Newman Foundation at Indiana University. Because of Notre Dame's strong Catholic heritage, Knight said Phelps initially thought he was making a joke about University traditions.

"Digger thought I'd dressed a guy up as a priest and brought him to the game. But he was an ordained priest," Knight said. "He sat right behind me and early in the game, he got on the officials about the second play of the game. I had to turn around, I said 'Father, will you get your ass back down.'"

Controversy

From throwing a chair to allegedly choking a player, controversy seemed to follow Knight while he was at Indiana. But Knight said that is because the news media focused on isolated incidents rather than the whole truth. Knight claims during his tenure at Indiana, the entire team, himself included, committed the fewest technical fouls in the country. The second least penalized team had twice as many.

"If you sit at a basketball game that I've coached, first of all, the other coach is going to get up far

more than I do," Knight said. "Secondly the other coach is going to get on the officials far more than I do. When I get up once, an issue is made over it, then it becomes something that happens all the time. That's just not the case."

Knight said he has turned down interviews and refused to answer questions in the past because journalists are not doing the background work necessary to conduct a thoughtful interview.

"I like people [in the media] that deal with you honestly and work to be accurate and don't base opinions on something they have read or heard," Knight said. "They base it on what they themselves know and encounter. I've had people that have written articles about me who I wouldn't know if they walked through the door right now."

Knight said people in the media today are lazy, boring and often repeat questions.

"They don't pay attention," Knight said. "They've got so many things that they can do, but they take the easy way out so many times."

Knight refused to comment on the recent controversy surrounding his relationship with Indiana. He said the commercial he did for Minute Maid, which features Knight acting excessively gentle towards players, is not taunting the Indiana accusations that he was abusive.

"I don't think it mocks the I.U. situation at all. I don't think I.U. is even involved in that commercial," Knight said. "I don't have any relationship with I.U. I didn't have any relationship with anyone but Indiana when I coached there. My relationship is exclusively with Texas Tech."

Sitting this one out

After coaching nearly 30 years at Indiana, Knight recently

signed a new contract with Texas Tech. For the first time in decades, Knight isn't an active participant in March Madness, but that doesn't mean he's not paying attention.

Knight said his former player and assistant coach Mike Krzyzewski, who now coaches Duke University, has a good shot at making it to the NCAA championship game. However, Knight said Maryland will put up a fight, as shown in the teams' earlier meetings this season.

"If this season's previous games are a sign of things to come, then this should be a really tight, tough game," Knight said. "I think that Duke's defense is such that if they don't get into a running contest ... I think they'll beat Maryland."

Knight said he is impressed with Michigan State's coach, Tom Izzo, who has brought his team back to the Final Four after losing three starters. Knight said Arizona is also peaking at this point in the season, so the game should go down to the wire.

"The interesting part of that game is Arizona is really a team that controls the area around the basket on defense and

Michigan State's strongest characteristic is their offensive rebounding. So their two strengths go right against each other," he said.

Although Notre Dame isn't in the running for the national title this year, Knight predicted success for head coach Mike Brey.

"The coach that you got now is really going to do a good job," Knight said. "I think Mike did a really good job this year and I think he's going to do a great job for you."

Fear and respect

Some assume Knight's coaching tactics create fear in his players and thus gain him respect, but Knight said the two concepts are very different.

"I don't think fear and respect are synonymous," he said. "I think a coach earns the respect of players by how he prepares them and what he teaches them."

Whether through fear or not, many of Knight's players left Indiana with a deep respect for their former head coach. While Knight sat at one side of a circular table in McKenna Hall Tuesday for an interview, a former Indiana player and current

Notre Dame employee sat at the other. He came simply to see Knight Ñ to visit with his former coach.

The player smiled gently several times as Knight shot down question after question from the three student panelists. He watched Knight reprimand the students, trying to teach them something about the man he was rather than the man he is portrayed to be.

This player knew what happened if you skipped class under Coach Knight. He knew Knight threw the chair. He'd heard about the choking incident and all of the recent controversy that led to Knight's firing. But he seemed to respect the man nonetheless.

This former player is not alone. Knight said many players realized after they left Bloomington that the Indiana basketball program was unique.

"Once they get away, maybe they have a chance to play professional basketball, they see the attitude that other players have towards their schools compared to what our guys have towards their school," Knight said. "They see that the difference is often astronomical."

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Prof: Society values female sexuality over athleticism

By CECILIA OLECK
News Writer

Women in sports are still valued more for their sexuality than their skill according to a lecture at Saint Mary's Tuesday.

Leslie Heaphy, from Kent State University, presented a

lecture Tuesday entitled "Women in Sports: Creating a New Playing Field," which delved into many different sports-related gender issues.

Heaphy pointed to recent Sports Illustrated cover stories involving women as examples of gender biased sports coverage. A cover of tennis star Anna Kournikova, known more for

her incredible looks rather than her incredible game and the annual swimsuit issue send mixed messages about ability and sexuality, Heaphy said.

Heaphy concentrated also on the history of women in sports and on the effect of Title IX on sports. Title IX is the law passed in 1972 to ensure gender equity in all programs or activities benefiting from federal financial assistance. She said many people believe this ruling to apply to sports, but in reality the decision was based on other programs, not sports.

One of the downfalls of Title

IX, Heaphy suggested, is the widely held idea that in order to create more opportunities for one gender, something must be taken away from another. In this case, it has pitted men against women and made them enemies on the issue. Many schools have cut male programs believing that it was the only way to make room for women's programs.

Heaphy challenged this by saying that at most Division I schools, male sport programs dominate the scholarship field. Many say that it is because these programs bring the most

revenue into the school. In reality, she argued, there are very few schools who make money off of these teams, and most actually end up losing capital. Heaphy suggests that by evening out scholarship money between different programs, all sport programs could be funded.

"In some places the football team stays in a hotel the night before a home game," she said. "This is the kind of thing I mean. Some people have brought up how men's teams will get new uniforms every year, while the women's team is lucky to get them every three years."

She also cautioned against treating women's sports the same way as men's.

"They shouldn't look like the exact same structure and often times it does. If you are creating a men's lacrosse team, there doesn't have to be a women's lacrosse team," said Heaphy. "What is important is meeting unmet interest equally to both men and women."

Overall, Title IX has had a great effect on women's programs.

"Twenty years ago, you would not have seen women in football, women in extreme sports and women in basketball," Heaphy said.

While progress is encouraging, Heaphy also warned that these examples show how far women have come and how far they still are capable of going.


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Mission beyond buildings

I want to respond to two questions which have been asked by students, faculty, staff and alumni in the past few weeks about the Center for Social Concerns (CSC). I briefly will clarify how our mission is beyond buildings and offices.

Question one: Has the CSC moved? The answer is both "no" and "yes." The "no" answer affirms that the Center for Social Concerns, as a building, remains where it was dedicated in the spring semester, 1983. The CSC is the small building (previously WNDU Studio) between Hesburgh Library and Breen-Phillips near the North and East Quads. Most of the faculty, staff, student assistants, interns and partners or visitors will continue to appreciate this space as our central hub for meetings.

For example, last Friday afternoon I entered the front door and encountered 30 Notre Dame students in animated conversations about their upcoming eight-week International Summer Service Learning Projects in 14 different sites in 11 countries. Quickly they left with staff and student interns and went to Camp Friedenswald in Michigan for a 28-hour orientation retreat.

I had the privilege of celebrating the Eucharist with them Saturday evening after they had spent hours of sharing, learning, enjoying and appreciating the opportunity where they will represent Notre Dame and the CSC in sites beyond our borders and buildings. In other words, they left the front door of the CSC hoping to experience cross-cultural and transformative educational experiences with partners in Michigan and later in other parts of the world.

Planning and networking in the CSC building facilitated this program and multiple other programs of "experiential and service learning." The "no" answer above affirms the importance of the current CSC building as a central space for networking dedicated to our mission, which can only be lived out in "creative partnerships" with others on and off campus.

The following "yes" answer affirms that the CSC has moved into a 300 square foot satellite office in the Coleman Family Center for Campus Ministry in the corridor near the south entrance. We are grateful to continue collaboration and share relationships and space with Campus Ministry, First Year of Studies and Academic Services for Student Athletes.

This space will enable a combination of student assistants and staff to share information, interact with persons in the building and provide social concerns related photos, quotes, resources, *et cetera*. Since I live in McGlinn Hall, I can appreciate that this closer space for the South and West Quads can lead to more "drop in" conversations and immediate dissemination of information about current and new programs and initiatives. We hope to encourage faculty involvement as well.

Question two: Is the CSC located in other locations or spaces on and off campus? The answer is "yes." I am referring to people and relationships more than physical space.

For example, on campus there are hall-based social concerns commissioners who work closely with us in enhancing the Notre Dame and CSC mission. Off campus in Michiana, we have multiple community-based learning coordinators who work with community groups and share part of their time to assist us in linking Notre Dame learners and resources (students and faculty) with their missions (e.g., South Bend Center for the Homeless, the Robinson Community Learning Center, *et cetera*).

We also have a special grant-partnership with the South Bend Heritage Foundation, which allows two Notre Dame-CSC related staff to engage the community from the sites. I relish that multiple partners open their doors and hearts to hundreds of CSC-linked students and alumni involved in service and learning nationally and internationally during all semester and summer breaks.

I assume there will always be a few students who enter the CSC building asking if this is the Center for Continuing Education (CCE) for a class. I hope the CSC response to the above two questions will be to you an invitation to visit, become engaged and move with us in our challenging mission to "bring about a more just and humane world." This mission is impossible to achieve without partners and moving beyond the CSC building and other buildings on and off campus.

"For a More Just and Humane World" is a bi-weekly column in The Observer. The author, Don McNeill, C.S.C., Notre Dame class of '58, is Executive Director of the Center for Social Concerns, a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross and a resident in McGlinn Hall.

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

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stand alone as Catholic university by making education affordable

We would like to focus on two items from Wednesday's Observer article headlined, "ND 2001-2002 tuition hike lowest since 1959." First, "This year's increase is the lowest since 1959, when there was no increase from the previous year."

Why can't you do better than that? Why are you satisfied with "the lowest since 1959" and not willing to make it the lowest ever? Why can't you freeze tuition?

"Officials said Notre Dame charges remain far below those of similar private institutions."

Why are you proud of this? Why are you concerned about "similar private institutions"? Why can't this be another area where Notre Dame is content to be different from the rest of the pack?

Referring back to Mike Connolly's column in the March 8 edition of The Observer, if we assume that the endowment only earns 1 percent interest (\$35 million), and that there are 8,014 undergraduates, then you should be able to decrease tuition by at least \$4,367. It's simple math.

Using the same simple math, if the Board of Trustees continues to accept the "lowest increase since 1959," 4.9 percent per year, the cost of one year of undergraduate education at Notre Dame in 25 years (by which time many recent alumni will have college-age children) will be \$100,951.79. I'm ignoring inflation (the rate of which is much

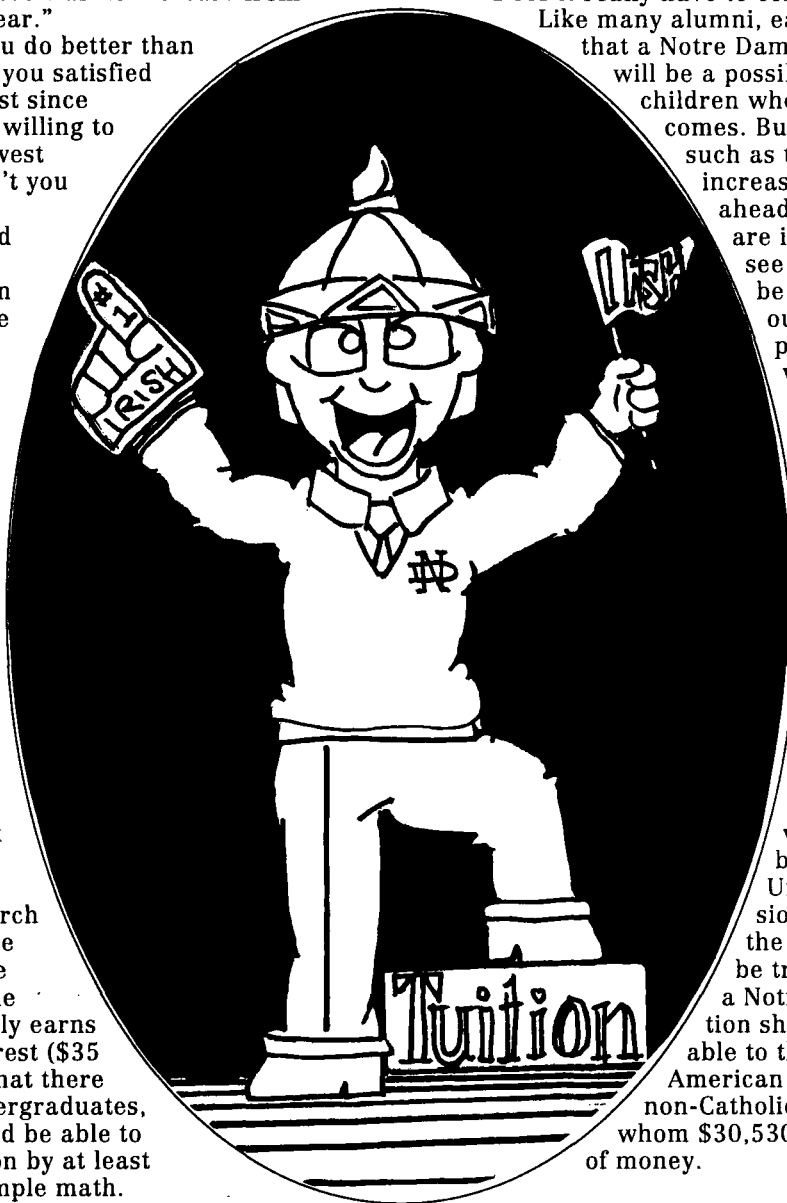
smaller than the rate at which you are increasing tuition and fees), I know, but give people (future students' parents, some of whom, like us, are alumni) a break.

Does it really have to cost that much?

Like many alumni, each of us hopes that a Notre Dame education will be a possibility for our children when that time comes. But when policies such as the consistent increase in cost (well ahead of inflation) are in place, I don't see how that will be possible without being crippled by the weight of massive loans.

Ask yourself this — is Notre Dame's mission to be among the best private institutions (which happens to be Catholic), or is it to be the best Catholic institution (which happens to be private)? Judging by the University's mission statement, the latter seems to be true. That means a Notre Dame education should be affordable to the many American Catholic and non-Catholic families, for whom \$30,530 is a large sum of money.

Steve Ponisciak
Durham, N.C.
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class of '98
March 27, 2001



Guns ease violent act

With regard to the latest discussion about school violence and guns, I think everyone can agree that the individual is responsible for his or her actions. Having said that, I still think that the "tool," in this case hand guns, needs to be eliminated.

While the gun may be just a tool used to carry out the act, how many violent school deaths do we hear about using other tools? I have heard of no instances where several students are killed and many others wounded by a student with a baseball bat, an axe or a

knife.

A hand gun makes it too easy for one individual to cause a lot of damage to life in a short period of time. The act of pulling the trigger is itself rather clinical and non-violent, thus making it easier for a user to accomplish violent acts.

Other "tools" of violence require the user to be up close and personal with the victim and require an inherently violent physical action like a swing or stab. I believe that alone would discourage many people from carrying out the

violent action.

How many times have private citizens needed guns to repel an oppressive government in this country in the last 200 years? If it really came to that, isn't a rifle good enough? It is time to once and for all eliminate hand guns. Concealable fire arms pose too great a threat to public safety not to.

Brian Price
class of '95
Pittsfield, Mass.
March 27, 2001

What are women to do in Notre Dame's "Old Boys' Club"?

Is Notre Dame still an "Old Boys' Club"? This may seem like an odd question. After all, there are clearly women at Notre Dame that are paying tuition and living on this campus.

However, the other day a certain saucy professor of mine pointed out that the only women commemorated on this campus are a sinner (the women by the well in front of O'Shaughnessy) and a virgin (Mary on the Dome).

He then alluded to the presumption that the women of the Notre Dame community, and women in general, fall under one of these categories. Now that's certainly not something I remember reading in the Notre Dame brochure.

In my opinion, there has never been such a great time to be a woman. Sinners or saints, we certainly have the freedom to choose our path. Women can be mothers, doctors or both.

No longer are women defined by the men in their lives. From the PTA to the CIA, women are everywhere. However, before we raise our fists triumphantly in the air and run our proverbial victory lap, we must remember that there is still work to be done.

Notre Dame has been co-ed for thirty years now. It has survived the feminist movement, the bra burnings and even the horrible blue eye shadow of the '80s. The male-female ratio is almost equal, and yet, it seems that the campus still caters to men.

Outwardly, the women of the Notre Dame community have broken the mold. We have elected a female student body president. There is a woman marching with the Irish Guard. Our women's basketball program is phenomenal. Saint Mary's remains one of the best liberal arts schools in the country. We're a smart, talented bunch of girls.

However, we're not there yet. The women of this campus may have proven themselves bright, beautiful and independent, but we still encounter a social barrier obstructing our road to success. Although we've maintained excellence in many areas, there are still several issues facing the Notre Dame community that must be improved upon.

To begin, I find it amazing that with all of the emphasis on protecting the female population of Notre Dame, enforcing stricter rules regarding dorm security and avidly promoting women's issues, it took a story in "Cosmopolitan" to generate attention to rape awareness on this campus.

The details of the incident weren't provided in the article, therefore it is difficult to determine exactly who is to blame for the breakdown in communication. However, in an environment where we are almost encouraged to look the other way, now is the time to realize that rape is an issue that can potentially affect everyone on campus.

There's also the persistent issue of critiquing the way women on this campus dress. Every year, earnest contributors to the Viewpoint section debate both sides of the issue, using fashion as a means for breaching the question of sex at Notre Dame.

Whether or not you think black pants, tube tops and glittery eye shadow equal sin and debauchery, I've never seen an article discussing the khakis, baseball caps and Timberlands found on the men of Notre Dame.

And then there's the argument over the "rivalry" between the women of Saint Mary's and Notre Dame. Why is this even an issue? We're women — not militia from conflicting, war-torn countries. When it comes down to it, the only true difference between us is going to be the signatures on our diplomas.

Sinners or saints, we are the women of the Notre Dame community. We've made great strides, but we're not there yet. In some ways our school is still an "Old Boys' Club," catering to the men it educates.

However, all is not lost. When it comes down to it, let's not forget our great University's namesake — after all, it's a woman who stands above the Golden Dome that is Notre Dame.



Jacqueline Browder

In Vogue

International business and you: SIBC hosts globalization forum

By PAUL RILEY
Scene Writer

Do you ever wonder how your Gucci loafers made the trip from the factory where they are handsewn, to a port to be shipped across the Atlantic, to your local department store and eventually to your feet?

Do you ever think about how American products like Coke, Pepsi and Kraft Macaroni and Cheese end up in supermarkets in Brazil or how American companies do business in such countries in the first place? Do you know what exactly e-business is and how it works? Do you think about any of this in the first place?

To help answer these questions and to provide an informative and entertaining afternoon for interested students, faculty, and the public, Notre Dame's Student International Business Council will be hosting its Globalization Forum this Saturday in the Jordan Auditorium of COBA.

The Globalization Forum features seven speakers from various fields who have backgrounds in international business in countries from Italy to Brazil.

These speakers will be addressing issues in international business and globalization to provide students with general information on the topic and their own knowledge and expertise in the field. The breadth of speakers at the forum will provide valuable information for students who are interested in specific facets of international trade.

The forum presents valuable opportunities to the Notre Dame community, according to SIBC president Dave Wilson: "[The forum] is a way to reach out and give back to the students at Notre Dame."

Students who attend the forum will have "the opportunity to learn more about international business and they will also have the ability to meet highly regarded business professionals and make incredible contacts," said Wilson. The forum's wide range of speakers and fairly small setting will provide students with ample opportunities to learn from the speeches and interact more personally with the speakers.

Several professors and alumni are among the list of speakers. Professor Lisa Caponigri, the former general counsel for Gucci based in Florence, Italy, will be speaking on the role of multinationals and global managers in globalization.

A visiting professor from the University of Ulster in Northern Ireland, Professor James Hill will draw from his experiences in the industry, retail and agri-food sectors as he speaks on "Doing International Business: Some Practical Lessons."

One of the forum's speakers is a former SIBC member. Bryan Jordan will provide an overview of international economic trends and familiarize students with inflation, interest rates and financial markets across the world.

Business executives make up the rest of the forum's presenters. Frank Pollack, the vice

president of international marketing for Plastipak Packaging, whose consumer base includes Coke, Pepsi and Kraft, will discuss international marketing.

The vice president of e-business at Thomson Multimedia, a global electronics company — Douglas Pileri — will present on technology and business. Finally, the "Future of Free Trade after Seattle" will be the topic of the forum's last speaker, Michael Eads, executive at JBC International in Washington D.C.

The Globalization Forum is just one of the many opportunities that the SIBC provides to students at Notre Dame. The organization boasts the largest membership on campus and has a healthy budget, thanks to its benefactor and founder Frank Potenziani.

The SIBC also prides itself on devoted alumni who make up the International Business Council. With these resources, the SIBC is able to work to capture its vision of "peace through commerce" by sending students from Notre Dame all over the world for summer internships and teaching positions.

This summer the council is sending students everywhere from Ireland to Estonia, providing the students with ample opportunities to get their feet wet in the business and teaching arenas, while at the same time promoting ethical business, good will and peace.



When the group isn't sending members away in the summer, the SIBC keeps busy at weekly division meetings. The club is broken up into divisions of marketing, finance, accounting, global development, human resources and internships. Each of these divisions performs a specific role in the club and has separate goals and projects.

The marketing division handles advertising on and off campus for SIBC events. Finance has many subcommittees assigned to various projects and simulations, and has ties to the Federal Reserve Board of Chicago, Credit Suisse First Boston and Robert W. Baird. The business consulting division assists companies entering emerging markets while at the same time working with companies such as McKinsey & Co. and CSFB.

SIBC's accounting division prepares the group's budget and annual report, while allowing its members to gain international exposure to accounting projects. Global development is in charge of acquiring and filling international teaching positions and spearheading other humanitarian efforts.


The division's most recent project, the Haiti Bednet Project, will help provide much-needed bednets to those in need. The last SIBC division, human resources, works to maintain contact with the IBC and plans events like the Globalization Forum, which Wilson claims is "one of the biggest events of the spring semester."

"It is our duty to reach out to students and provide experiences and opportunities to enhance their experience at Notre Dame," said Wilson. "We hope that people attend and enjoy [the Globalization Forum]."

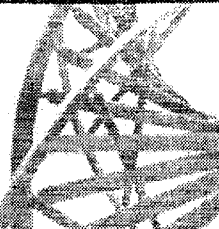



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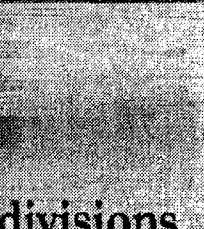
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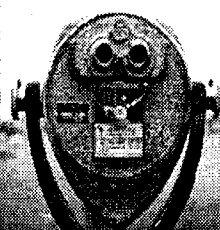
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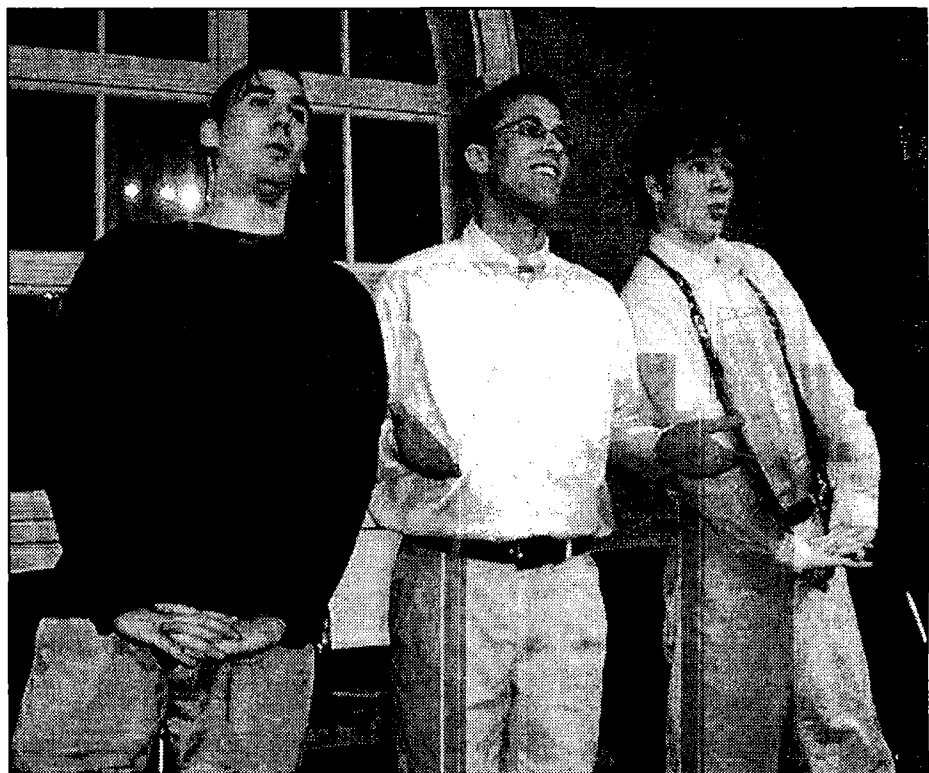


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After two years of hard work, juniors Tommy Curtin and Ryan Cunningham (right) finally saw their musical take the stage last weekend. Following the antics of three best friends through interactions with incredible characters, love and relationships, audience members experienced musical comedy at its best.

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RYAN CUNNINGHAM



Student-written "Chance at Love" a huge success

By CHRISTOPHER SCOTT
Scene Theater Critic

Musical theater is a rarity on Notre Dame's campus. Students are able to experience their share of assorted Film, Television and Theater mainstage performances, but they can only experience one musical per year, as performed by the Pasquerilla East Musical Company each February.

With the creation of the Farley Hall Players and the performance of "Chance at Love" this Friday and Saturday in the LaFortune Ballroom, the campus was granted another opportunity to indulge in the wonders of musicals and in particular, musical comedy.

The biggest difference between this musical and others performed on campus in the last four years is that the script, music and lyrics were written and composed by two Notre Dame juniors: Ryan Cunningham and Tommy Curtin.

Two years after a fortuitous conversation in the booths of the LaFortune Student Center, the hard work of Cunningham and Curtin have produced a musical comedy which "makes light of dating and its inherent infatuation, domination and desperation," according to the play's program.

The story of "Chance at Love" takes place in your average suburban city and follows the adventures of three best friends: Tom, Brett and Adam. Tom (played by freshman Ray-Areux) is the "nicest guy you'll ever meet" and is in love with his girlfriend Cheryl (senior Betsy Kahl) who has used him for the last three years.

Brett (junior Alan Maginn) is the socially successful guy who ends up with a new girl every night (all played by junior Heidi Kellner). Adam (Cunningham) is the dorky friend that the guys say they keep around for comic relief who is "clinically retarded" when it comes to the dating scene.

The plot begins as Elmer (senior Matt Baggetta), the elderly neighbor of the three friends, is disgusted with Tom for asinine reasons. For this Elmer desires to destroy Tom's life by breaking up him and Cheryl. Elmer gains the assistance of Brett by promising him a date with his granddaughter Mary (senior Tiana Checchia).

Elmer succeeds in breaking up Tom and Cheryl, but his plan fails as Brett passes off his date with Mary to the newly single Tom in favor of a date with Cheryl. At the same time in the show, the elder Gwen (sophomore Molly McShane) secretly pursues the younger Adam.

From the beginning until the end of "Chance at Love," the actors never departed from character.

"Everything from the set changes to the dialogue to the songs were done in a very relaxed manner, as if our characters knew they were putting on a show," said Maginn.

This was evident even when the characters walked offstage "in the hallway." They reacted to the audience's presence by saying hello or in Elmer's case asking them what they were doing in his hall as he passed the front row. While outlandish at times, each character's actions were done in way that made the audience believe that they knew what it was like to be the person they were playing.

"One of the greatest things about the show was that we as performers were having so much fun on stage, and the audience could sense that and enjoyed it with us," said Baggetta. "That relationship with the audience — that collective energy — just made the whole show that much better."

Baggetta's performance was perhaps the most outstanding of the night. His portrayal of Elmer as the evil nemesis was by far the most difficult part in the show. While the other characters basically acted their age, Baggetta transformed himself into a grumpy 80-year old man out to seek revenge on the world.

Just watching his facial expressions was enough to cause laughter for some audience members. Baggetta was also the only male member of the cast who had to don women's clothing.

A unique aspect of "Chance at Love" was the straightforward mocking of musical comedy itself. This added an amusing feel to the show, as the actors acknowledged how ludicrous it was to randomly break into song, or for relationships to go from start to marriage in the course of just a few scenes.

For example, in Gwen's song, "Just Boys," she tried to explain to Elmer that the key to happiness is "a harmonious and symphonious singing spree." In "More Than Stars," Tom and Mary had their first kiss, but then only a scene later Tom asked her to marry him.

A continuous stream of humor flowed through "Chance at Love." From nipple jokes to hostage crises, not a single scene in the show was devoid of humor. Even when it seemed time for a serious melody, there was something to keep the audience laughing.

For example, after Mary first met Tom, she sang the beautiful solo "Perhaps I Like Him." However as she sang, a drunk Gwen attempted to revive a heart attack-stricken Elmer using an iron as a heart defibrillator.

Despite this constant humor, the hours of hard work that were put into the show were evident. "Chance at Love" is an extremely well written show. Curtin has composed wonderful melodies that many will hum for days after the show and Cunningham has written a script that will keep future audiences rolling in the aisles.

A truly amazing experience, "Chance at Love" was performed by a phenomenally talented cast who were friends onstage as well as off. For the 500 people that saw "Chance at Love" this weekend, they had the chance to experience some of the true creative talent Notre Dame has to offer.

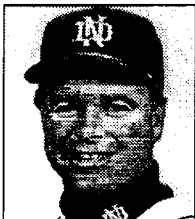
BASEBALL

Irish look to bounce back in home game with Toledo

By COLIN BOYLAN
Sports Writer

After two heart-breaking losses to Virginia Tech over the weekend, the Notre Dame men's baseball team is suffering through its first losing streak of the season. But don't expect the Irish players to lose too much sleep over that fact.

"We're not concerned about that at all," said coach Paul Mainieri. "I think anyone who follows baseball knows that every game is a new opportunity to prove yourself, and I think we're going to do great against Toledo and Seton Hall this week."



Mainieri

The team has good reason to be optimistic. Despite the back-to-back losses, the Irish are still ranked 13th in the Collegiate Division I poll and in good position to challenge for a Big East title. More importantly, the team's slumping hitters finally exploded for eight runs in the 9-8 loss to Virginia Tech.

Notre Dame hopes to carry some of that offensive momentum over to its game today against a streaking Toledo squad. While Toledo (11-9) may not look like much a match for the Irish (16-4-1) on paper, the Rockets have won eight of their last nine games, posting 19 and 11 runs in their last two contests.

The Irish will be taking the field behind starting pitcher Peter Ogilvie (1-0, 0.00), who has been almost perfect in his two appearances this season. Despite his relative inexperience, Ogilvie is not overly concerned about Toledo's offensive firepower.

"I'm going into this start like all the others and hopefully we'll come out of this with a win," Ogilvie said.

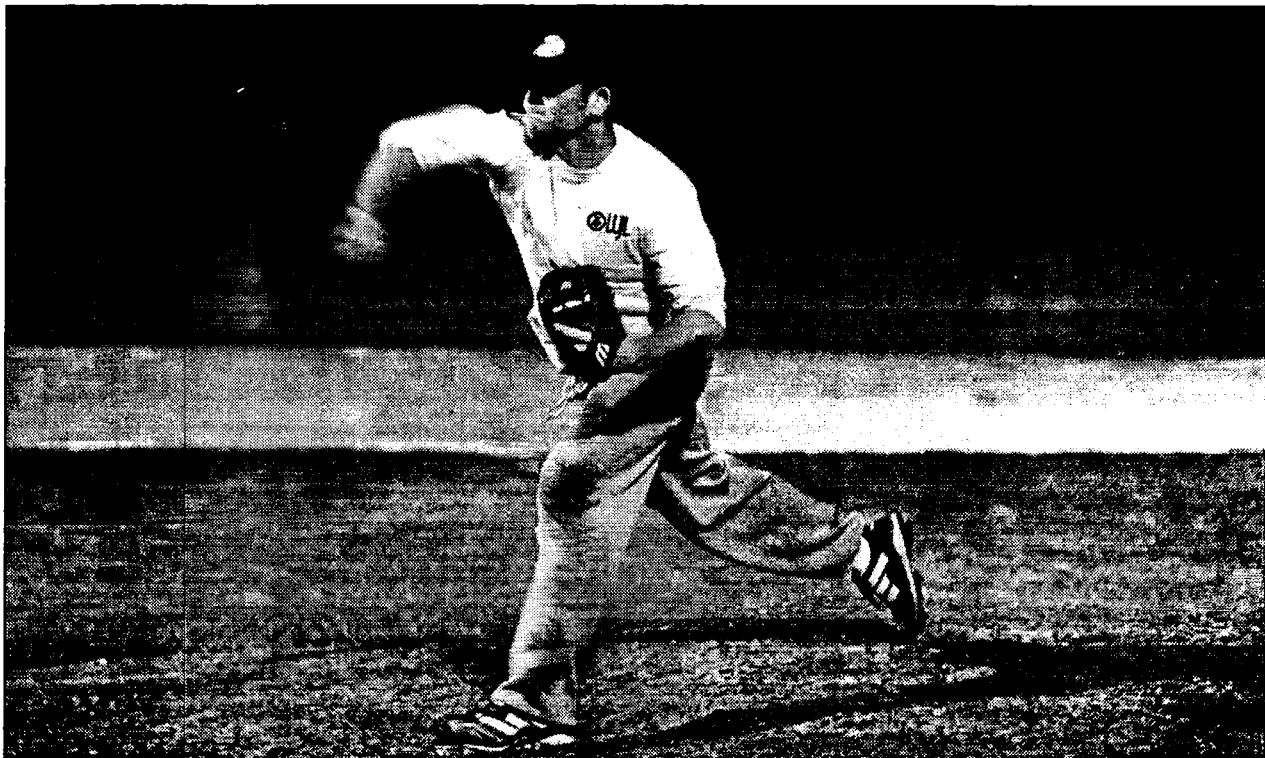
However, earning wins as the season progresses will likely be contingent on whether or not the Irish can increase their run production at the plate. The team's .292 batting average is seven points below last year's average and their home run production is also notably lower. Nonetheless, Mainieri is not overly concerned with such numbers. He likes what he has seen in recent practices and hopes that success at the plate will come soon.

"Our hitters are definitely ready to break out," said Mainieri.

Similar sentiments are echoed by the rest of the team. When asked if he felt confident that his teammates could give him enough run support to win the game against Toledo, Ogilvie responded, "Definitely."

It appears that confidence is high around the Notre Dame squad and any residual disappointment from the weekend losses has been eliminated.

"As a team, you've got to be able to bounce back from a tough loss. I think we've got the make of a champion and we'll be able to do that," said centerfielder Steve Stanley.



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All-American pitcher Aaron Heilman warms up at a practice earlier this season. Heilman was named as Big East pitcher-of-the-week last week, after pitching a two-hit shutout over Pittsburgh.

Heilman gets 10th Big East award

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame senior righthander Aaron Heilman, of Logansport, Ind. has received his 10th career Big East Conference baseball pitcher-of-the-week award, after tossing his second nine-inning shutout of the season in a 3-0 win at Pittsburgh on Friday.



Heilman

Since the Big East awards began in 1985,

Heilman is the only individual to amass more than four player or pitcher-of-the-week awards in his career — including one in 1998, three in 1999 and four in 2000. He also was honored by the Big East three weeks ago, after tossing a similar nine-inning shutout against Florida Atlantic.

Heilman registered his 16th career complete game and fifth solo shutout — fifth-most in Notre Dame history and second-most since 1914 — against the Panthers, after allowing just a handful of balls to leave the infield — two on flyouts, plus a bloop single and a single through the infield. He faced just five bat-

ters over the minimum of 27 in the 108-pitch outing while scattering two hits, four walks and two hit batters over the full nine innings, with eight strikeouts and 16 groundball outs, including three double-play balls.

Tony Railing collected both Pittsburgh hits, the first coming when he led off the bottom of the first inning and the second not coming until the eighth inning. Heilman stranded baserunners in three of the first four innings — plus a double play in the third — before striking out the side in the fifth. He faced just 16 batters over the final five innings, one over the minimum, with double plays in the eighth and ninth.

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Irish take 5th straight with win over Ohio 18-9

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame women's lacrosse team won its fifth straight on Tuesday to improve to 5-1 with its 18-9 win at Ohio. Junior Natalie Loftus lead the Irish with four

goals and two assists, while junior Lael O'Shaughnessy added three goals and an assist for the Irish, who return to action this weekend with a pair of games against Delaware and at Vanderbilt. The win marked a successful return to Irish head coach

Tracy Coyne, a 1983 graduate of Ohio University. The five-game winning streak matches the longest the program's five-year history, while the 5-1 start equals the 5-1 of the first varsity program in 1997.

The Irish got on the board first less than a minute into

the contest and never trailed. Notre Dame led 10-3 with less than six minutes to play in the first half, but Ohio countered with a 3-1 run that cut the margin to 11-6 at intermission. Notre Dame tallied seven goals in the second half and held the Bobcats scoreless for

the final 13 minutes to preserve the victory.

Sophomore Anne Riley scored three goals, while freshman Meredith Simon had two goals and an assist. Senior Maura Doyle, junior Alissa Moser and sophomore Angela Dixon each scored a goal and added an assist. Sophomores Kelly McCardell and Danielle Shearer and freshman Kristen Gaudreau each added a goal, while junior Kate Scarola had an assist. Sophomore goaltender Jen White had four saves, while senior Tara Durkin saved a pair of shots.

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MIDNIGHT MADNESS

Holy Cross awarded trophy after correction

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The Saint Mary's athletic department released a correction on Tuesday regarding the winner of the All Sport Championship trophy that was rewarded to LeMans Hall during Midnight Madness on Friday.

After discounting the points from the basketball championship, the department took the trophy away from LeMans Hall and awarded it to Holy Cross Hall.

The department awarded points to LeMans hall after "The Badazzes" competed in and won the intramural basketball championship. However, upon careful examination, it was found that the team was composed of six off-campus students, two LeMans residents, and two McCandless Hall residents.

According to the rules of intramural play, more than 50 percent of a team must be on-campus residents in order to participate. A violation of this rule would disqualify the team. However, the athletic department has claimed the error as

its own, allowing "The Badazzes" to remain the intramural basketball champions.

"Our biggest concern was that it was our error and not the students'," athletic director Lynn Kachmarik said.

The athletic department felt, however, that the team did not fairly earn points for either McCandless Hall or LeMans Hall, and therefore no points were rewarded to any hall.

This changed the results of the All Sport Championship. Holy Cross Hall, which held a second-place finish by a margin of one point, is now the intramural All Sport Championship winner by a margin of seven points.

"It was our error and not the students'."

Lynn Kachmarik
athletic director

Also, in order to further encourage the participation of off-campus students, the intramural program will have a category for off-campus students to participate in.

The athletic department is now focused on presenting the All Sport Championship trophy to Holy Cross Hall in an appropriate manner.

"We want to present [the trophy] to them in a way so they get recognition," Kachmarik said. "We will probably do it at the RA banquet or another affair."

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starters.

The defensive line, the kicking unit, the tailback situation, the punting duties — the list goes on and on. What it all boils down to is that the team that stepped on the practice field Tuesday evening is completely different than the team that trudged out of Sun Devil Stadium on New Year's Day.

They've certainly learned a lot from what happened last year, but games aren't won on experience alone. As Davie himself said, "It's all about technique now."

Davie and the rest of the Irish coaching staff changed some small fundamentals during the off-season, and he appeared happy after the first day of practice. But as he is well aware, things can change pretty fast, and you can never be prepared for what happens — just look at what happened at quarterback last year.

Nevertheless, Davie is very optimistic heading into the spring practice season.

"It's just good to get out here and start," he said. "It's encouraging that we're at a high level to begin with, but we have to coach better fundamentals and play better fundamentals."

And the head coach of the Irish feels much more comfortable coming into this season fresh off a BCS berth and a brand new five-year contract, as opposed to last year when many wondered if he would even survive the summer.

"I'm more comfortable right now than at any time since I've been head coach," Davie said, quickly adding, "That doesn't mean we're necessarily going to have a better record."


It's a long spring, and there's plenty that the Irish need to improve. They'll do passing drills, blocking drills, kick field goals, and the rest of the annual routine. But the bottom line remains — Davie's 2001 squad is something completely different.

By September 8, when Notre Dame steps onto the field against Nebraska, the only things that are certain to stay the same are the gold helmets and Irish tailbacks running up the middle. We'll see different leaders, different stars, and different team dynamics.

"Right now, we're just in the early stages of where we want to be, and we're focusing on taking one day at a time and just playing as a team," Irons said.

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Schmidt has been dominant so far this year, posting a 0.95 ERA and an 8-1 record in which opponents batted an anemic .192.

"Coming in this year and being put right into the games has been kind of overwhelming, but I have started to settle into things," said Schmidt. "Playing with such a great team around me has made the process much easier."

The two pitchers never fail to acknowledge the support they get from their teammates.

"Our defense makes it so much easier for me on the mound," says Sharon. "They are always behind you with a great play if you make a bad pitch. And the way that our offense has been scoring so many runs, you don't have to worry if you make a few mistakes."

As a team, the Irish boast a .298 batting average, and are led by junior Jenny Kriech, hitting a solid .391. Junior Jerrah Myers has also been explosive at the plate, batting .390 and leading the team in RBIs, on-base percentage and slugging percentage.

Valparaiso has struggled out of the gates this season, starting off to a 2-12 record. While they have posted an impressive team ERA of 3.26, the Warriors have only managed to bat .209 as a team, while allowing their opponents to hit for a powerful .297 average. They are lead by freshman catcher Monica Rowan, who is batting only .275 on the season.

These two games will be the first in a set of four doubleheaders at home for the Irish.

XFL

League will return even without NBC

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The struggling XFL will back next year, with or without NBC, the league's president said Tuesday.

Visiting the nation's capital to discuss expansion, Basil DeVito also candidly discussed the numerous mistakes made by a league whose television ratings have reached historic lows.

"We're going to be here," DeVito said. "There was a business plan in place prior to NBC coming in to the XFL, and that business plan still exists, still makes sense."

Over the weekend, NBC Sports chairman Dick Ebersol said there would have to be an increase in ratings for the network to keep the league on the air.

DeVito said if NBC does pull the plug, the XFL would maintain its broadcast agreements with UPN and cable network TNN, where DeVito said the ratings have "faired very well." Without NBC in the picture, DeVito said the league would consider moving its feature

games from Saturday nights to the more traditional football viewing period of Sunday afternoon.

After a promising debut that won its time period on NBC, the XFL's ratings have plummeted. The Week 7 broadcast was believed to be the lowest-rated prime-time program ever on one of the three major networks.

"There are some things that quite frankly we were unprepared for," DeVito said. "We didn't do everything well out of the gate."

A 50-50 venture between NBC and the World Wrestling Federation, the XFL had the benefit of two great promotional machines to get off the ground. What got lost, DeVito said, was the actual game of football.

"We probably didn't give our football operations enough time to create a football product on the field," DeVito said.

DeVito said the league has listened to fan input. A football analyst is now in the broadcast booth, and the league is trying harder to market recognizable "star" players.

"Please give us one Kurt Warner," said DeVito, a reference to the NFL's 1999 MVP whose Arena Football League background gave the AFL some free, positive publicity.

As the league enters its final weeks, DeVito said the teams have evolved to the point where they are playing decent football. Drew Pearson, general manager of the New York/New Jersey Hitmen, agreed.

"Is it what I expected? It's coming now to be what I expected," Pearson said. "The emphasis now is on football."

Despite the new emphasis on the game itself, DeVito said the XFL was not taking the path of other unsuccessful football leagues, such as the WFL and USFL. The key, he said, was striking a balance.

"The XFL will always have a distinctly contemporary attitude," DeVito said. "That is what will separate us from anything that is out there."

"There was a business plan in place prior to NBC coming in to the XFL, and that business plan still exists."

Basil DeVito
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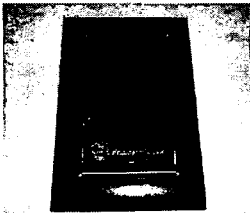
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NFL

Cowboys sign Banks to 1 year deal to replace Aikman

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas
The Dallas Cowboys have found Troy Aikman's successor.

Free agent Tony Banks, who began last season as Baltimore's starting quarterback, agreed to a one-year deal with Dallas, the Cowboys announced on their Web site Tuesday night.

"We think he's going to fit in well in our offensive system," Cowboys vice president Stephen Jones said. "Our coaches are excited about getting him in here."

Banks will earn a base salary of about \$500,000, fitting the Cowboys' needs of a starting quarterback at a low price. The deal also includes incentives that can increase its value.

Jones and Banks' agent, Marvin Demoff, finalized the



Aikman

deal while both were at the NFL owners' meeting in Palm Desert, Calif.

"They have a lot of history and no one thinks of Dallas as rebuilding," Banks said on the Cowboys' Web site. "More or less reloading. That's part of why it's attractive to me. I don't want to be on a rebuilding team. I don't want to have to be the savior again."

The 27-year-old Banks was Trent Dilfer's backup when the Ravens won the Super Bowl in January.

A year ago, Banks had been considered Baltimore's quarterback of the future. But he was cut by the Ravens on March 1 because of salary cap concerns. He was due \$2.8 million on a four-year, \$18.6 million contract he signed in February 2000.

The Cowboys cut Aikman, a 12-year veteran who won three Super Bowls, this month for salary cap reasons and health concerns.

Aikman was due a \$7 million bonus and an extension through 2007 if he had still be on the Dallas roster March 8. The 34-year-old quarterback played in only eight games last year because of two concussions and a chronic back problem.

The Cowboys have \$23 million counting against their salary cap this year for players no longer on the roster. That includes \$10 million for Aikman.

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NBA

Mourning returns to Heat after battle with kidney ailment

Associated Press

MIAMI All-Star center Alonzo Mourning returned Tuesday to play with the Miami Heat, coming back from a kidney ailment that had sidelined him this season and once threatened his career.

Mourning was added to the lineup for the game against the visiting Toronto Raptors and hopes to help the Heat as they head toward the playoffs next month.

The two-time defensive player of the year, Mourning entered the game with 3:43 to play in the first quarter and the Heat trailing 17-14. Mourning jumped

off the bench, threw off his warmup jersey and sprinted to the scorer's table to replace Brian Grant, who left with two fouls.

The near-sellout crowd gave Mourning a long standing ovation. He responded immediately with a defensive stop, forcing Antonio Davis to turn the ball over on the ensuing possession.

Mourning got the ball on the other end but missed his first shot, which came on his trademark hard drive across the lane.

Mourning, who started practicing with the team several weeks ago, decided to play after doctors told him his condition might not change for a year. He said he will be monitored closely and his return will be on a

game-to-game basis.

David Falk, his agent, stressed that Mourning is not cured, but his disease is in remission.

"I am pleased finally to come to this day," Mourning said at a news conference at the Heat's arena.

"The most difficult thing in all of this is that the doctors can't give me assurances about my future. Every time I step out on the

court I am afraid. I'm human."

Heat coach Pat Riley said he was surprised Tuesday when told Mourning could return this season but always believed he would come back eventually.

Riley said Mourning "has raised the level of his competition" in recent days, but he will not play many minutes in his first games.

"The journey of 1,000 miles begins with a single step," Riley said.

Coincidentally, Hakeem Olajuwon was added to Houston's lineup for Tuesday night's game against Utah just two weeks after announcing he would be sidelined for up to six months because of a blood clot in his leg.

The 38-year-old center was cleared to play after further

tests revealed his condition had improved.

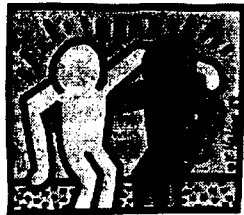
Mourning's return bolsters the Heat's playoff chances. The team was 42-27 with 13 games left in the regular season and tied for second with New York in the Atlantic Division, 6 1/2 games behind Philadelphia.

Earlier this month, Riley said he would put the 6-foot-10 Mourning on the Heat's playoff roster in case he could play.

The 31-year-old Mourning, a six-time All Star, had been sidelined since being diagnosed in October with focal glomerulosclerosis, an illness that leads to kidney failure in about half the cases. If Mourning's kidneys fail, he would need dialysis or a transplant.

Mourning has been taking up to 11 pills a day to treat his kidneys and control his blood pressure and cholesterol. He also is following a strict low-sodium diet. He last played Oct. 1 in the U.S. Olympic team's gold-medal victory over France.

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Griffey's spring training ends with pulled hamstring

Associated Press

SARASOTA, Fla. — Ken Griffey Jr. won't play for the rest of spring training and his status for Opening Day is in doubt.

The Cincinnati Reds won't know for a few more days whether Griffey's pulled hamstring amounts to a minor setback or a problem that could linger for a few weeks.

Griffey pulled his left hamstring while rounding third base Monday and had to be helped off the field. The leg was swollen on Tuesday, when he got several hours of treatment.

Dr. Timothy Kremchek said it's the type of injury that is difficult to gauge in the first few days. The Reds expect to have a better idea by the weekend whether Griffey will be available for the season opener Monday.

"We're not looking at putting him on the disabled list," Kremchek said. "Right now, I truly believe there's a possibility he'll play on Opening Day. We're going to do everything we can to get him in the best shape we possibly can."

"On the other hand, we're not going to do something that's going to allow him to rehurt himself on Opening Day, just to play that one particular game."

The major concern now is that the hamstring injury will turn into a lingering problem that limits him for much of the season.

Griffey never had hamstring prob-

lems until last year. The left hamstring was sore much of the season, and he didn't start again after partially tearing it Sept. 11. It was sore in the same spot when spring training started, but had gotten better in the last two weeks.

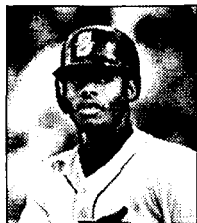
He strained the lower part of the hamstring when he slipped Monday in a 3-2 loss to Kansas City. He crumbled

to the ground and didn't put any weight on the leg as he was helped off the field.

"I think what happened yesterday was a freak injury," Kremchek said. "He went around third base pretty hard and he slipped and aggravated the hamstring. It could have been any player at any time."

Griffey kept playing with the sore hamstring last season and eventually tore it. The Reds don't want the latest injury to turn into another long-term problem.

"We hope we've nipped this in the bud and it won't be a lingering thing," Kremchek said. "But hamstrings are unpredictable."



Griffey



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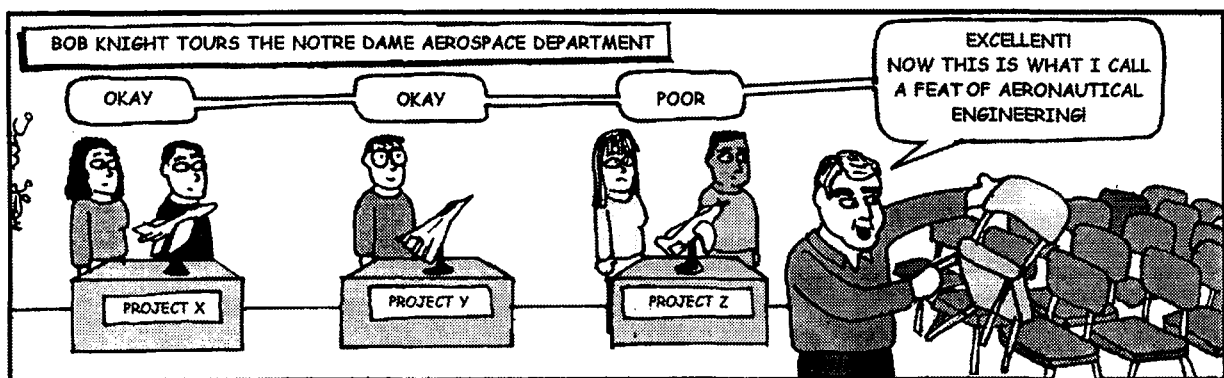
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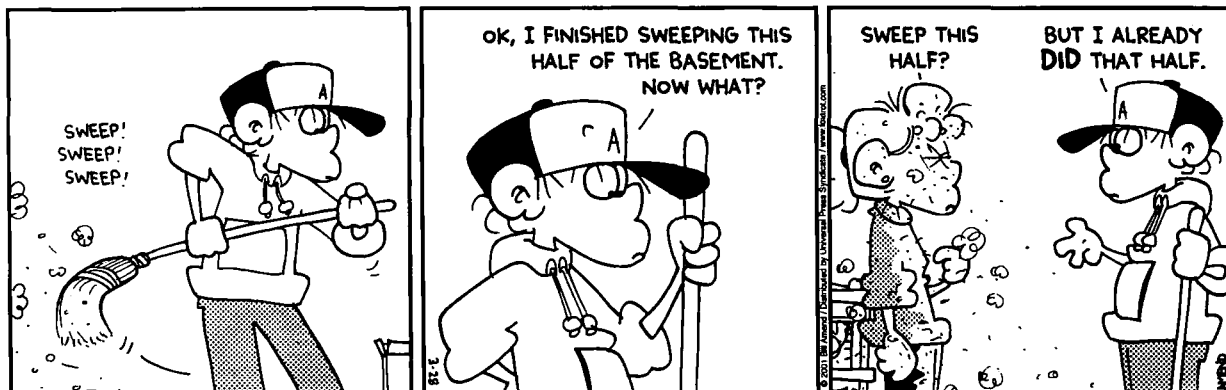
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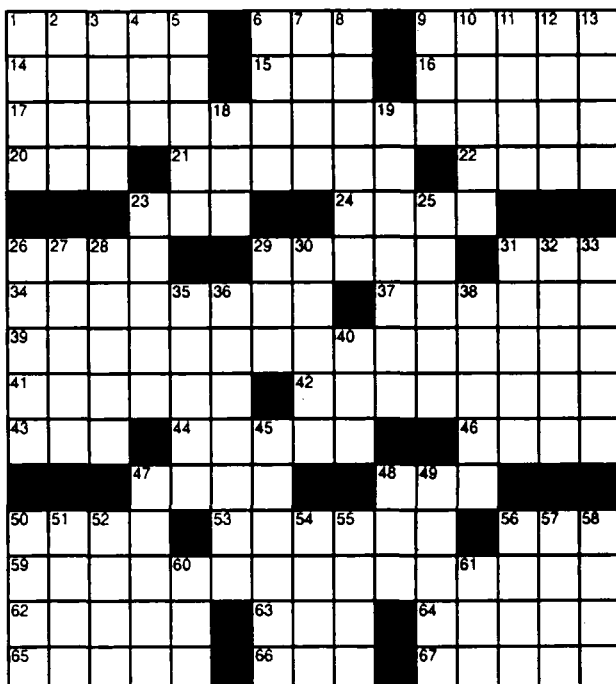


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- Stored, as honey
 - Name prefix meaning "son of"
 - Make provision (for)
 - Where drachmas were once spent
 - "Son ___ gun!"
 - Sponger
 - Start of an idle question
 - Many namesakes: Abbr.
 - State tree of New Jersey
 - "Psst! Pass ___!"
 - ___ Affair
 - Baseball's strikeout king
 - Scharnhorst admiral
 - Yokels
 - Decline
 - Big name in philanthropy
 - Bologna's place
 - Question, part 2
 - Pressure, in a way
 - Surmounted
 - Person who knows the drill?: Abbr.
 - Slingshot item
 - Much binary code
 - Joint tenant's place?
 - Way to stand
 - Spanish ayes
 - Brings out
 - Cross shape
 - End of the question
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 - Holstein's home
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 - "Aladdin" prince
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 - ___ Rios, Jamaica
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 - Shriner topper
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 - Deceived

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 - Eng's homeland
 - ___-European
 - Mark for life
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GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't let your emotions interfere when dealing with personal financial matters. You have to learn to say no to those too eager to spend your hard-earned cash.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Talk to the one you love. Voice your complaints instead of letting your hostility grow. You can accomplish household projects if you're willing to work together.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Work on home-improvement projects. Take the time to make sure that

those you live with are happy. Make any necessary arrangements concerning your personal life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Become involved in worthwhile ventures. Be cautious not to be too demanding or negative with youngsters. Help with their projects and praise them for their efforts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your partner will be less than accommodating. Be prepared to get out and mingle with new friends. It is best to reserve judgment on those who are secretive.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You need to experience new and exciting things. Take trips or sign up for courses that will offer adventure and a host of interesting alternatives.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You may as well relax and enjoy yourself. Projects you start today will lead nowhere. Spend time with loved ones.

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

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Ready to rock the Eck
No. 13 Notre Dame will take on Toledo at home, hoping to shake off two losses to Virginia Tech.

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FOOTBALL

Irish look at start of spring practice as new beginning

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Associate Sports Editor

Bob Davie blew his whistle, clapped his hands and made several things disappear.

Gone were the heartbreaking, last-second losses to Nebraska and Michigan State.

Gone, too, were the exhilarating wins over Purdue and Air Force.

Gone was the euphoria of earning a first ever BCS bid, and with it, the humiliating 41-9 defeat to Oregon State in the Fiesta Bowl.

When Davie blew that whistle to start spring practice, last year's team slipped into the history books and media guides as the 2001 version of Notre Dame football stepped on the field. No one would deny that they gained experience from last year, but every single player inside the Loftus Sports Complex Tuesday knew that this was a whole new year.

"It's a totally different team than last year," said fifth-year senior-to-be Grant Irons.

Davie agreed. "Everyone is 0-0 and nobody is really a starter yet. It's all about taking the first step."

Nobody brought up last year's team and nobody asked about the Fiesta Bowl, even though the loss was still lingering. Said Irons: "That will never happen again."

Everyone's eyes were on Matt LoVecchio, Jared Clark and Carlyle Holliday, wondering who would emerge as the starter on Sept. 8.

Arnaz Battle made some quality catches in his first practice as a wide receiver — Davie said, "He'll be an exciting player to watch," — but he also bobbled and dropped a few easy passes. Nobody knows if he can make the big play when Notre Dame faces a 3rd-and-10.

The Irish need two more players to step up and fill the spots vacated by Jim Jones and Mike Gandy. Davie listed Jordan Black, Brennan Curren, Kurt Vollers, John Teasdale and Sean Mahan, to name a few, as players having the potential to start. Now he must winnow a list of eight players down to two



ERNESTO LACAYO/The Observer

Notre Dame offensive linemen receive instruction from coach Steve Addazio on the first day of spring practice. The Irish have entered the five week training session with few solidified starters.

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SOFTBALL

Notre Dame eager to kick off home play against Valpo



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Junior outfielder Jennifer Kriech smacks a hit in a game last year. The softball team will open its home season today against Valparaiso.

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's softball team was welcomed back to campus after a very successful road trip to sunny California over spring break with a South Bend snowstorm.

Ironically, on the first few days of spring, Jack Frost covered Ivy Field with enough snow to cancel the team's first home game of the year.

The snowed-out double-header against Western Michigan, scheduled for Tuesday, will now be played Thursday afternoon. The Irish will kick off their season at

home with a twin bill against the Valparaiso Warriors (2-12) today at 4 p.m.

"The weather has really been rough around here for us," said coach Liz Miller.

"We weren't even able to practice on dirt for the first time until last Tuesday, but the girls have played very tough and not let the weather affect them."

After the long road trip, the team received some well-deserved rest before the upcoming home stand.

"We had a really good spring, and the break allowed us to take some time off to regroup and rest," said senior captain Jennifer Sharron. "I don't even think the layoff between games hurt us at all because we are so excited to be getting back to the games, especially since we will finally be at home."

Notre Dame has gotten off to an impressive 18-3 start on the arms of Sharron, who owns a 10-2 record with a 2.08 ERA, and freshman pitcher Kristin Schmidt.

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