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Off-campus shooting wounds ND sophomore

By HEATHER COCKS
News Editor

Police are investigating the early-morning shooting of a Notre Dame student in a neighborhood just south of campus, according to the South Bend Police Department.

Corey Clay, a Morrissey Hall sophomore, is recovering in the care of University Health Services after a single gunshot struck him in the upper thigh at approximately 3:20 a.m. Sunday.

After celebrating his 20th birthday Saturday night at an off-campus establishment, Clay walked with a female companion through a neighborhood

three blocks away from the intersection of Notre Dame Avenue and Angela Boulevard, police said.

Following what may have been a verbal altercation between Clay and a resident of 602 E. Howard St., according to Chuck Hurley of Notre Dame Security/Police, the suspect shot Clay in his right thigh.

Last night's FOX-28 news broadcast stated that Clay's shooter caught him by surprise and left him bleeding on the sidewalk.

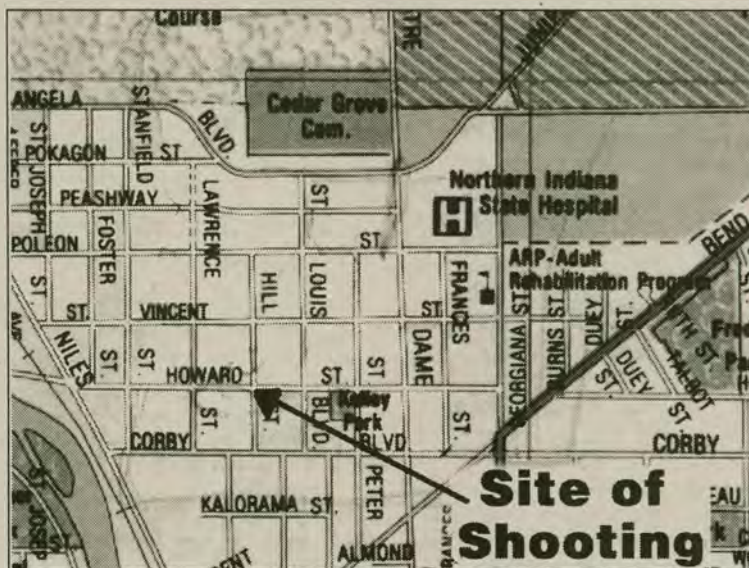
"He was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center, where he was treated and then released to Health Services at Notre Dame," Hurley said.

Clay allegedly had a blood alcohol level exceeding 0.260, more than twice the legal limit in Indiana, according to television news reports.

As a result of his injuries, Clay may spend up to eight weeks on crutches, sources said. He could not be reached for comment; his friends declined to talk to The Observer.

The police have made no arrest, but are investigating the incident based on witnesses' statements and a description of the suspect, the police report said.

WNDU-16 and FOX-28 contributed to this report.



■ MULTICULTURAL BEAT

Film, discussion explore perceptions of racism



Students gathered to discuss racism following a showing of the film "The Color of Fear" last night in Lewis Hall.

By KRISTINA ZURCHER
News Writer

Problems concerning relations between different ethnic groups surfaced during discussion following last night's showing of the movie "The Color of Fear" at Lewis Hall.

The movie depicted a group of men from different ethnic backgrounds discussing their encounters with racism. The characters agreed racism is more than encounters, it is an underlying consciousness that pervades all ethnic interaction.

The discussion following the film addressed Caucasians' abilities to recognize racism. An African-American in the film said that when Caucasians say, "There is no problem here; we accept you," they project the problem of racism onto minorities. The character added that white people never have to explain themselves, and as a result, they cannot relate to the problem.

In reference to the man's statement, one student said that when Caucasians deny racism, they ignore the differences between whites and people of other ethnic backgrounds. According to the student, whites have the tendency to display a "be

like us" attitude.

And, as another man in the film said, those denying the problem are minimizing the experiences of people of color. According to the another perception in the film, blacks who work in a white-collar atmosphere are expected to stay out of the spotlight and get their work done — in a similar setting, white workers never experience that stigma.

Discussion then turned to the "privilege" of being white. A man in the film had mentioned that Caucasians do not have to wake up in the morning and think about their whiteness. According to him, they are told from history books, from schools, and from society that the world belongs to them. They do not have to think about how to make the world theirs, as non-whites have to do.

One audience member expanded on this notion by saying that she could "put racism on the back burner." She said that she could go through days without even thinking about racism.

During the discussion, the film was connected to multicultural relations at Notre Dame by examining The Observer's Oct. 31 comic strip that labeled

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Finish disappoints computer team

By SARAH HANSEN
News Writer

Students from 87 midwestern and Canadian colleges invaded campus Friday to participate in the 22nd annual Association for Computer Machinery computer contest.

Following a weekend of activities, Notre Dame's two teams finished 27th and 30th in the competition.

Presented with two to three practice problems Friday, teams of three students used the computer labs at Fitzpatrick and Nieuwland Halls to ready themselves for Saturday's competition.

Notre Dame's two teams finished extraordinarily well in the practice session. The University's A team, seniors Mark Harris and Mike Gillespie and junior Eric Olson, finished second out of the 87 teams, and Notre Dame's B team, seniors Brian Nahas, Colin Thomas and Vince Indriolo, finished third.

The night concluded with a question and answer session at the Center for Continuing Education from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. and a social pizza gathering for the participants in North Dining Hall beginning at 9 p.m.

Activities resumed Saturday morning at 7:30 a.m. with breakfast at North Dining Hall. The contest began promptly at 9 a.m.

The competition requires the teams of three students to write computer programs in an effort to solve six to eight problems, which might ask for a winning move in a chess game, a calculation of a best football team based on records and competition or a translation of a sentence written in Russian.

These problems were formulated by Andrew Lumsdaine, associate professor with the computer science and engineering department, in conjunction with a team of graduate students.

Ray Sepeta, professional

specialist with the University, observed, "These are questions that might be assigned in a computer science or engineering class which most students could complete in a week. This competition gives the teams five hours to complete at least six such questions."

"We [Notre Dame's team] have gone to these contests where we've barely gotten a problem done," Sepeta continued.

Not only are correct answers required, but time also plays an integral role in team standings. The top two teams, ones that have solved the most problems in the shortest time, advance to the world finals in Atlanta in February.

Sepeta took this year's success as an opportunity to reflect on past competitions. "A couple of years ago we [Notre Dame's team] finished sixth. We had solved enough problems to place third, but hadn't solved them fast enough."

The competition is set up on a five-hour time frame. In the first four hours, scores for the teams and team standings

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La, la la...



The Observer/Joe Stark

Director Joseph Rolon (below) looks on as "La La Amazing Grace" hits a high note during Saturday night's performance of "The Colored Museum" at Washington Hall.

■ INSIDE COLUMN

How Aware Are We Now?

I've gotten in trouble for saying it before, but I have no qualms about saying it again. I am still amazed that this is supposed to be a community of educated people.

Alcohol Awareness Week has come and gone, and how much have we changed? What have we learned? Nothing.

Forgive my cynicism, but recently, I have been shaken out of my naiveté with regards to drinking and driving around campus. I didn't previously believe that people could be so stupid as to ignore all of the warnings and harsh realities we see about drinking and driving. I've heard my fellow students say things like, "Well, I'm not that drunk," or, "We don't have to drive that far," as excuses for getting into a car and driving somewhere. What are they thinking?

In recent weeks, I have been acutely aware of this campus' lack of discretion with respect to alcohol. I am shocked at the flippant way in which my fellow students disregard their own safety and the safety of others. People really do drink and drive.

I've grown up hearing the messages like the rest of you. "Don't drink and drive" and "Friends don't let friends drive drunk" were common themes through high school; it was a great advertising campaign around prom time. Yet, in high school, I didn't deal with the prospect of driving drunk like I do in college. It used to be some abstraction that happened to older people or college kids, not us. Thankfully, I have never experienced a tragedy at the hands of alcohol. We should not, however, have to be scared by a personal experience to know that drinking and driving is dangerous.

Here's a news flash for all: Driving under the influence of any amount of liquor is not legal. It is not safe. It is stupid. There is no such thing as "kind of" drunk or "not really that drunk" when you assume the responsibility for other people's lives. Is it really that hard to stay sober?

I'm sure most of us are perfectly aware of alcohol; spirited consumption is no stranger to the campuses of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. Heck, I've been known to throw back a few myself, but once I've consumed any amount of liquor, it never enters my head to attempt to drive. Nor do I tolerate getting into a car with somebody who has been drinking. Who would want to? Why risk your precious life or the lives of others on the road? Why take that chance?

What happened to the responsible, mature students we are supposed to cultivate here in the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community? I know. They're stumbling out of places like Coach's and the Linebacker into their cars to endanger their lives and the lives of everybody around them.

Every weekend is an accident waiting to happen when students gamble with lives. Please tell me I'm wrong. I defy you to disagree with me when I say drinking and driving is a problem in this area. Don't wait for a tragedy to happen before you learn how easy it is to call a cab; get a responsible driver, or just stay sober.

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

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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-wire reports

Arkansas freshman charged with murdering his girlfriend

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark.

A UA engineering freshman was arrested on charges of capital murder in the death of his former girlfriend Wednesday and is awaiting his Dec. 4 arraignment while being held in the Craighead County Jail in Jonesboro without bond.

Robert Arant Robbins Jr., 18, of Lake City, was arrested Wednesday in Conway and was taken to Jonesboro. At a hearing in Lake City yesterday, prosecutors asked that Robbins be held without bond. Robbins requested a public defender, said Mike Walden, Craighead County deputy prosecuting attorney.

Robbins is charged with the murder of Bethany White, 19, of Jonesboro.

The Jonesboro Sun reported that the Jonesboro police found White dead on the kitchen floor in the apartment she shared with her mother. White's body was sent to the State



The University of Arkansas Razorback

Crime Laboratory Wednesday. The cause of death is not yet known.

The Jonesboro Sun reported that Jonesboro police were contacted by the Poinsett County Sheriff's Office shortly before midnight Tuesday. The Poinsett agency received a 911 call from someone using a cellular phone who said he had killed White and was driving to Fayetteville.

Authorities caught up with Robbins at the Ramada Inn in Conway after Jonesboro police issued a statewide

bulletin naming Robbins as the suspect in White's murder.

UAPD Capt. Geary Robinson said Robbins' 10th-floor room in Yocum Hall was secured by police Wednesday and Robbins' roommate, John Major, a chemical engineering freshman from Little Rock, was questioned and moved to a different floor. Major declined to comment Wednesday.

Detective Lt. Rusty Grigsby of the Jonesboro Police Department said a search warrant for Robbins' room "may be in the works," but would not say any more yesterday.

Robbins, a freshman industrial engineering major, is still officially enrolled in classes, Julie Kegley, a UA spokeswoman, said.

Kegley said that Robbins could not be administratively withdrawn from classes without his or his parents' consent.

■ UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Disabilities office inaccessible

MISSOULA, Mont.

Students with disabilities say the basement of Corbin Hall is no place for James Marks to have an office. Marks is the director of UM's Disability Student Services (DSS) and is moving his office from the first floor of Corbin Hall to the hall's basement, a location that is inaccessible to mobility-impaired students. "It's the dumbest idea I've ever heard," said Joy L. Jenkins, president of the Alliance of Disability Students at UM. "We want to tell the university that they shouldn't put somebody that high profile in an inaccessible spot." In a Tuesday Kaimin advertisement, members of ADSUM called the site of Marks' new office a "dungeon," and claimed UM is treating students with disabilities as "second-class citizens." On Wednesday Bob Frazier, executive assistant to the president and the chair of UM's Americans with Disabilities Act committee, said the arrangement is temporary and was necessary because of a lack of space in DSS, which uses rooms on the first and third floors of Corbin Hall.

■ PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Bank robbers still missing; one killed

PRINCETON, N.J.

An attempted armed robbery at a Princeton, N.J., bank early Thursday night left one suspect dead and two still at large. A five-hour manhunt through Princeton involving several helicopters and police ground forces ensued for the suspects who escaped and are believed to be dangerous. Though police never searched the University for the suspects, e-mails and flyers were posted to alert students of the potential danger and urged them to stay inside. As of midnight last night, no arrests had been made. Police did not release the names of hostages or of the killed suspect. Borough Police Chief Thomas Michaud identified one of the suspects as a 5-foot-7-inch tall 20-year-old male with light skin wearing a green hood and ski mask. At 6:23 p.m., an ATM repairman called 911 from the Sovereign Bank after seeing a female employee inside the bank with her hands bound.

■ UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Program 'entices' black students

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.

With 40 people in the atrium of Burton Hall looking on, University President Mark Yudof established on Thursday a partnership to bring more black Minnesotans back to the state to study in the school's graduate programs. The university partnership with the United Negro College Fund and the 39 schools it represents is the first official one of its kind for both institutions. In the program, Minnesota students who left the state to attend traditionally black colleges will be enticed with scholarships and internships to come to the university for graduate and professional study. "That's just a current expression of the reality," said Tonya Moten Brown, Yudof's chief of staff. The partnership helps achieve the university's goal of increasing minority enrollment, Yudof said. According to 1995 statistics, the latest available, black enrollment in the graduate school was 3.5 percent; white enrollment totaled 83.4 percent.

■ UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Banner stirs debate among Jews

EUGENE, Ore.

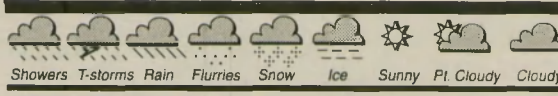
A sign reading "Hey, Jew!" that hung on the corner of 13th Avenue and University Street came down Monday morning, but not before sparking debate in the Jewish community. Hillel placed the sign as a part of its outreach effort. The group is the foundation for Jewish life at the university; it offers social and intellectual activities for university students. "The students thought it was a good idea ... to let students know we're here and available as a place for Jewish students to come and be," Hillel co-director Efram Eisen said. Some people, however, saw the sign not as a welcoming message but as an offensive one. "I think the people from the older generation who remembered the Holocaust and remembered being told, 'Hey, Jew, get in the gas chamber,' were offended. It sort of set off some painful memories," Eisen said. The sign didn't originate from Hillel or the university.

■ SOUTH BEND WEATHER

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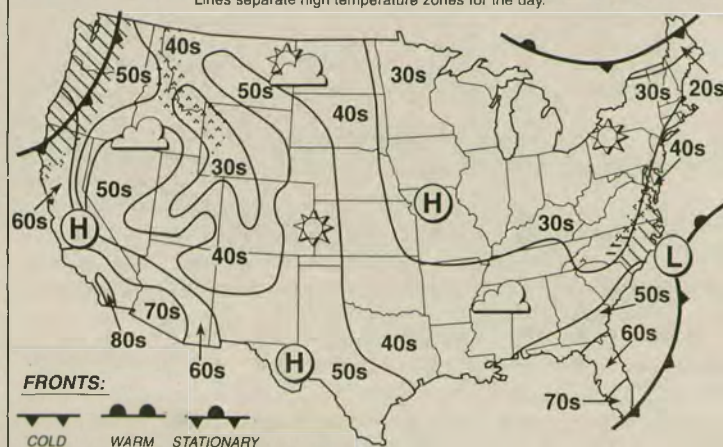


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■ NATIONAL WEATHER

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Baltimore	59	40	Detroit	44	28	New Orleans	64	50
Boston	58	41	Disneyworld	72	51	Omaha	35	18
Boulder	39	25	Houston	62	49	Reno	58	39
Brooklyn	56	40	Iowa City	37	17	Phoenix	79	57

George examines role of same-sex marriages

By GERMEIN LINARES
News Writer

Competing views on the role of sexuality in hetero- and homosexual marriages were presented Friday when Civil Rights Commission member, Professor Robert George of Princeton University gave a lecture in response to Andrew Sullivan's book, "Virtually Normal."

"The true struggle for the homosexual is the struggle to live chastely," George said, refuting Sullivan's contentions.

"Marriage is not simply a private contract," Sullivan states in his book. "It is the highest public recognition of personal integrity. Denying it to homosexuals is the most public affront possible to their public equity."

George described Sullivan's position by stating that the fulfillment of the homosexual nature is vital in the personal success of the individual.

Sullivan claims in "Virtually

Normal," that laws and governments cannot and should not distinguish between the sexual natures of individuals, as much as they cannot distinguish, for example, having red hair or being left-handed.

Homosexuality is no more abnormal than these other natures, says Sullivan, and thus, not allowing same-sex marriages is senseless. George also explained his interpretation of human nature; desires and reasons comprise our nature, and the "homosexual nature" comes only when acting on desires, said George.

George acknowledged that Sullivan does not agree with his interpretation of human nature.

Sullivan also rejects the Catholic church's call for celibacy among homosexuals, considering it dehumanizing and pointless.

The lecture, "Nature, Marriage and Homosexuality," was sponsored by the Law School.

Talks link architecture, community

By TIM LOGAN
News Writer

Architecture, community, and the city were the focus of this year's Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture Regional Conference, held at Bond Hall on Friday and Saturday.

"Many of us believe there is a rebirth of the city at hand," said Notre Dame architecture professor and conference coordinator Norman Crowe in his introduction Friday.

The main focus of the discussions was to explore the ways in which the architecture profession could aid this community rebirth.

The conferences' three speakers, Peter Katz, Karsten Harries and Carroll William Westfall, shared the podium in a panel discussion on the issues brought up during the day's discussions. They discussed what architecture students should be taught, how

the profession's role is changing and how it can help build a sense of community.

"The profession is going through incredible redefinition. It's been marginalized. A group of architects appeal to subdivision building," said Katz in his discussion of how many architects are now focusing on building suburban homes, rather than on helping the cities.

"We may hold our noses, but their businesses are going gangbusters," Katz explained.

"Most people responsible for city building live in the countryside. They don't know the cities, and from that one can infer they don't care about them," notes Westfall.

"A lot of building goes on today that can dispense with architecture," noted Harries. "Even skyscrapers don't really need architects."

Harries brought up the separation of engineering from architecture, resulting from engineers taking over the structural design of buildings. This separation "threatens to reduce architects to mere decorators. The task is to rethink decoration and think through its civic and ethical significance," he said.

Westfall argued his own view of the place of architecture in community.

"People make community, architects make the physical

setting where people do what they do," he said.

"We need to create a standard of living which every citizen deserves, and which should be higher than it is. Without that, a healthy city can not be built," added Harries.

The conference "begins the centennial celebration for the architecture school (founded in 1898)" in the words of Crowe. The annual event was attended by 30 representatives from other universities and local architecture firms, as well as by the Notre Dame architecture faculty. "I was very interested to hear the presentations and found the conference genuinely stimulating," said Katz.

The conference featured speeches on the issue of architecture's role in building community, as well as presentations documenting examples of community building and discussing various sides of the issue.

Katz is founder and executive director of the Congress for a New Urbanism, a group dedicated to revitalizing cities through urban planning. Harries is a professor of philosophy at Yale University who has been teaching courses on relating architecture and philosophy. Westfall is an architectural historian at the University of Virginia.



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Saturday's runners remember Mara Fox

By SARAH J. HILTZ
News Writer

Among the approximately 200 runners who came out on Saturday morning for the Mara Fox Fun Run, some came out to compete seriously. Some, on the other hand, like Jennifer Gent and Melissa Balchunas, just went to have fun.

The two students, who won the Most Spirited Award, wore signs which read, "We need SYR dates" and carried a boombox playing the theme song to "Rocky."

In the men's bracket, Sean Sharpe won first prize, while Peter O'Donnell and Mike Riley took second and third, respectively. Holly Lelitys took first in the women's division, and second and third places were

taken by Amanda Crosby and Beth Marino.

The event was held in memory of Fox, a Notre Dame freshman and Lyons Hall resident who was struck and killed by a car in 1993.

For the first time since the run began, the majority of the participants were not Lyons Hall residents, making it a truly campus-wide event.

"The family was very touched and impressed at how well the University continued the Fun Run even though Mara's class is gone," said Melissa Fruscione, co-president of Lyons Hall.

Laura Petelle contributed to this report.

Racism

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an alien as a "Mexican without a green card."

Students agreed that racism is something that is consciously ingrained in people, whether they realize it or not.

An example given was that of fairy tales, where the witch is never black and the fairy god-mother white.

Sal Hernandez, a freshman, mentioned that the separation between people of different racial groups just should not exist.

"I don't want to be Mexican. I don't want to necessarily even be American; I just want to be," he said.

The resident assistants of Lewis Hall sponsored the movie's showing after having watched it as part of R.A. training earlier this year.

"Watching the movie really had an impact on all of us, and we've been planning to show it for months," Katie Evans said.

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are continually updated. With the arrival of the fourth hour, all results are frozen. Teams are unaware of other teams' results, and often this last hour orchestrates upsets.

"Everyone is humbled a little bit," Sepeta said of the level of competition.

Often, however, little known schools produce extraordinary teams. Harvey Mudd, for example, one of five Clairmont Colleges, won the entire competition last

year.

Final standings for Saturday's competition saw perennial favorite University of Waterloo in first place, finishing all seven given problems in an unbelievable two and a half hours. Case Western Reserve University followed in second place, having finished the seven problems in a slightly longer time.

Notre Dame's teams finished three and two problems.

"It is kind of like the football team," Sepeta reflected. "We did okay, but we expected more."

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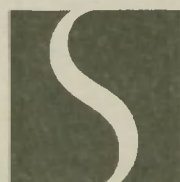
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■ WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Archaeologists find Virgin Mary holy site

JERUSALEM

Archaeologists have discovered the rock revered by early Christians as the place where the pregnant Virgin Mary rested on her way to Bethlehem, officials said Sunday. The craggy limestone rock protrudes from the remnants of the floor of a fifth century, octagonal Byzantine church, the largest of its kind in the Holy Land. The rock was unearthed after construction workers laying pipe for the controversial Har Homa Jewish housing project accidentally damaged the church's foundation, spurring an excavation to make repairs. The Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem, Deodorus I, hailed the find Sunday as a "great discovery with historical, religious and ethnic significance." Gideon Avni, Jerusalem District Archaeologist at Israel's Antiquities Authority, said Christians made pilgrimages to a rock, on the five-mile Jerusalem to Bethlehem road, at least 1,700 years ago, believing it was the place where the Virgin Mary rested on her way to Bethlehem.

White House report: \$57.3 billion spent on illegal drugs

WASHINGTON

Americans spent \$57.3 billion on illegal drugs in 1995, a catastrophic amount but down from previous years, a report by the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy says. The report, to be released Monday, said estimated spending on cocaine, heroin, marijuana and other illicit drugs compared with \$57.5 billion in 1994 and continued a downward trend from 1988, the first year of the study. In that year drug sales were estimated at \$91.4 billion. "These billions wasted represent countless opportunities lost," Barry McCaffrey, director of the office, said in a statement. He noted that the amount spent on drugs could have bought four-year college educations for a million people, or 22 billion gallons of milk to feed undernourished babies. The social costs of drugs also are compounded by their association with increased crime, major health problems such as hepatitis and AIDS and disruptions in family and personal lives, he said. According to the report, Americans spent \$38 billion on cocaine in 1995, \$10 billion on heroin, \$7 billion on marijuana and \$3 billion on other illegal drugs. Since 1988, spending on cocaine and heroin appear to have fallen while expenditures for marijuana have increased slightly as prices went up and then decreased slightly as prices dipped. It noted that the decrease in cocaine use may have driven down street prices, which fell from roughly \$177 per pure gram in 1988 to \$139 in 1995.

Britain backs U.S. against Iraq



AFP Photo

Young Iraqis chant anti-American slogans during a demonstration in Baghdad. Some 3,000 people demonstrated against the United States as the possibility of a military confrontation loomed during the crisis over Iraq's disarmament.

Hussein threatens to fire on American surveillance flights

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LONDON

Prime Minister Tony Blair on Sunday told President Clinton the world must stand firm against Iraq, raising speculation British warplanes may join any U.S. strike.

Blair wrote to Clinton soon after President Saddam Hussein again turned back United Nations weapons inspection teams that included Americans.

The speedy letter and its immediate release to reporters appeared to signal Britain would back military strikes if Iraq carries out a threat to fire on American U-2 surveillance flights scheduled to resume Monday.

"I have no doubt that as in the past

we must stand absolutely firm and absolutely together," Blair wrote to Clinton.

The United States has said that firing on its planes could prompt military retaliation.

Britain could order Royal Air Force Tornado fighters to take part with U.S. planes in any strike.

Soon after Iraq, for the seventh consecutive day, turned back U.N. teams trying to check on whether Saddam has weapons of mass destruction, Blair's Downing Street office also released in advance a speech with more tough words for Saddam.

"He has made this fatal miscalculation before. For his sake, I hope he will not make it again," Blair, referring to the 1990 Gulf War when

Britain was the America's prime ally, plans to say in a speech he is scheduled to deliver at a banquet in London on Monday.

"This government's determination to stand firm against a still dangerous dictator is unshakeable," Blair adds in the prepared text.

"We face another critical test of international resolve." He added that only when the inspections, including by "our U.S. allies," had been carried out could the question of lifting sanctions be considered.

Iraq says the American inspectors are spies trying to prolong economic sanctions imposed after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait, which led to the Gulf War.

Earlier, Defense Secretary George Robertson said Saddam had managed in the latest crisis to alienate Russia and France, "two of those who were perhaps least hostile to him."

Robertson, who was in Moscow last week and also met the French defense minister in London on Friday, acknowledged differences over the timing of lifting sanctions.

"The French and the British were absolutely united about the fact that he was flouting world opinion ... although there were some differences of opinion about what might happen if he continued down that road," said Robertson.

Market Watch: 11/7

DOW JONES	AMEX: 678.27	
-101.92	-9.44	
	Nasdaq: 1602.38	Up: 2,406
	-21.04	
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■ MEXICO

Hurricane Rick devastates recovering villages

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OAXACA

Hurricane Rick roared into Mexico's Pacific Coast on Sunday, pummeling villages still recovering from a deadly battering by Hurricane Pauline.

Oaxaca's state government said hurricane force winds hit the coast late Sunday afternoon, downing trees and washing out roads only recently repaired from the beating received from Pauline.

Hundreds of people were evacuated and seaports and tourist airports in areas such as Huatulco and Puerto Escondido were forced to close.

There were no immediate reports of injuries or deaths, but the storm knocked out communication with some small coastal villages. Officials suspended school indefinitely in the region, partly so school buildings could be used as shelters.

At 7 p.m. EST, Rick's eye was located along the coast, slightly northwest of the resort of Puerto Escondido, in the state of Oaxaca, and moving east-northeast at about 13 mph, according to the U.S. Hurricane Center in Miami.

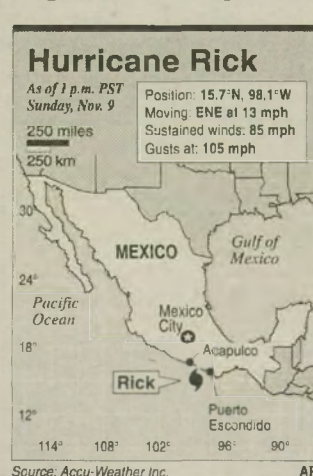
Hurricane force winds extended outward up to 35 miles from the center of the hurricane and tropical

storm force winds extended outward up to 115 miles, the Center said.

Maximum sustained winds are near 85 mph, with higher gusts. Weakening is expected as the hurricane moves inland, but the Hurricane Center predicted strong winds and coastal flooding as the storm dumps 5 to 10 inches of rain.

It also warned that a storm surge could lift the sea level 2 to 4 feet above normal, with high waves possibly lashing the coast.

Oaxaca state secretary of government Hector Anuar Mafud said hurricane force winds had hit the area of Pinotepa Nacional, cutting



recently repaired bridges and roads and forced the evacuation of at least 350 people in the municipality of Pinotepa.

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GUEST COLUMN

Why Do My Children Hurt Each Other So?

Sunday morning as the dawn broke, the rays of sunlight bounced off the light rain appearing to streak the sky as if God was crying. The question, "Why do my children hurt each other so?" reverberated in my soul. As I laid down and tried to return to my slumber before getting ready for church, the question kept resurfacing.

Over the past seven years, I have seen students

deeply hurt by ethnic, racist or sexist things said or done. We have excused these offensive actions as results of naivete, alcohol, targets

Iris Outlaw



being too sensitive, or admissions that they were indeed committed intentionally. Regardless of the motivation, the impact reaches the depths of the victims' soul. It distracts students from their academics and causes them to question their existence at Notre Dame. Those inflicting the pain label the victims as being segregationist because they sit together in the classrooms, dining halls or opt to live in certain sections. It is not viewed as friends wishing to "break bread together," gaining support or rejuvenating their souls to fight the daily battles challenging their intellect and presence as they walk in the mist of Our Lady on the Dome.

We are taught to be Christlike, which means that we love one another as Christ loved the Church. God did not tell Jesus to walk only among the Jews and "Whatever you do, do not contaminate yourself by going near the diseased or the Gentiles. And if you are among the Gentiles, please for your parents' and my sake assimilate. Or alienate them, if they are in the midst of the children of Israel." He instilled in Jesus that all must come through Him to be delivered. Jesus suffered on this earth from humiliation and disgrace, and asked his father, "Forgive them, for they know not what they do."

When we challenge ourselves to be Christlike, we have to follow his example. We must interact with people who are different from ourselves in ethnicity, religion, beliefs, values, etc. This means going beyond the volunteerism in socioeconomically deprived areas and applying the same spirit in our lives on a social and intellectual level. We should seize the opportunity to expand our horizons and attempt to understand the

historical value and contribution of others. The price is free, the rewards are invaluable. Students who participate in exchange programs share their experiences on how invaluable it has been. Unfortunately, the cost was expensive, but it gave them a cultural immersion and chance to be in uncomfortable situations. They were viewed as outsiders and possibly called "foreigners or nasty Americans." Because of this, some return to Notre Dame with their eyes and arms open as Our Lady on the Dome and embraced all who walk the campus.

Today, as we listen to the homilies let us ask, "Father, forgive us for believing that ignorance or insensitivity on our part is bliss. That we will be given the strength to step out on faith and take a risk. We realize that mistakes will be made, and we feel uncomfortable, but it will be educational. Please, teach us which path to take and traditions to create, so that our brothers, sisters, sons and daughters will come to Notre Dame and be respecters of all persons."

As the rain stopped and the sun's rays shone through my window, I realized as administrators, faculty and staff we are given the role of gatekeepers. Therefore, we have to ensure that God's commandment of loving each other as ourselves is implemented. As a Catholic institution we must put in place structures to teach acceptance, understanding and willingness to experience education outside of, as well as inside, the classroom. The mission of Notre Dame and Father Malloy's address to the faculty reiterates this theme and calls for diversity within the faculty ranks and student body. Also, the students should not leave the University the same person as they were when they entered because the world has changed and the work force demographics will be even more diverse than their present environment. It is our job to provide them with skills and tools to be successful in all facets of their lives. If we fail to do so, the ramifications of being hypocrites would be more than humankind could withstand.

As I prepare to worship, I will ask for guidance and strength to continue to educate as well as be educated, to be respectful of others, to challenge the same of others and myself as well as to eradicate the 'isms which cause so much strife.

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GARRY TRUDEAU



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"One cannot shake hands with a clenched fist."
—Golda Meir

Point

Parietals not Practical

The University of Notre Dame exercises a parietal policy which is infamous among students. According to duLac Student Life Policy Number 6, Undergraduate residence halls will set their visitation hours within the following limits. Visiting hours for guests of the opposite sex are not to begin before 10 a.m. on any day and are not to extend beyond 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights, and midnight on other nights. Overnight parietal violations are considered serious violations, and students who commit such violations shall be subject to disciplinary suspension or permanent dismissal (duLac, page 54). DuLac explains that parietals will, foster the personal and social development of residence hall students while, at the same time, responding to the safety, security and privacy needs of students sharing common living space.

Michelle Costello

During freshman orientation, incoming students are told that the parietals policy is to serve the purpose of bringing the dorm to a rest. In this way, parties will end when members of the opposite sex leave the dorm. However, this goal could just as easily be accomplished by instituting quiet hours in place of the current parietal hours. Therefore, other issues must be their primary inspiration for the current parietals policy. DuLac offers the ambiguous definition cited above to explain the reasons for the parietals system. However, this definition leaves many students speculating as to the exact intent of the parietals policy.

Consider this scenario: Your brother or sister comes to Notre Dame for Sophomore Siblings weekend, but he or she is not able to stay with you in your dorm room. Your sibling must stay with a friend in a different residence hall because he or she is of the opposite sex. This inconvenience represents one of the many impractical facets of the current parietal policy. Siblings feel awkward staying with persons they have never met before, and it would seem senseless to have them stay in a nearby hotel alone. In addition, the siblings are supposed to be spending quality time with their older brothers and sisters during Sophomore Siblings weekend. When siblings are forced to leave the dorm, time spent visiting with older brothers and sisters is curtailed.

This point leads to the general case of relatives visiting on any weekend. When siblings, cousins, or even parents come to visit, they cannot stay overnight in the dorm if they are of the opposite sex. It is difficult to imagine what harm could come from having these persons visiting in the dorm during parietal hours.

Many friends have also cited occasions when the morning hours of parietals caused their families inconveniences. Parents who are helping their sons and daughters move into the dorm must wait until 10 a.m. before they are able to enter the residence hall and begin working.

Out of town visitors (of the opposite sex) also experience considerable inconvenience due to parietal policy. Friends must impose on complete strangers from another dorm, or else purchase a hotel for the duration of their stay. These visitors are usually in town for a very limited amount of time, and are not able to spend all of their time with their hosts because of parietals.

As a growing number of students move off-campus at increasingly earlier ages, it is important to note that parietals play a large role in this phenomena. The quality of dorm life decreases when older students leave campus, and many of the same persons would have preferred to remain in the dorm if parietal policy did not exist. Younger students are being deprived of role models because the residents who are leaving dorms often play the role of mentor for younger students. If we are concerned that students are choosing to live off campus, we must recognize that parietals are at the heart of this problem.

In addition, students rely on parietal hours to remove unwanted guests from their rooms at night. They do not have to communicate with their roommates about their right to use the room for studying or otherwise. Instead they can avoid confrontation by patiently waiting until midnight or 2 a.m. before returning to their rooms. This does not encourage social development among dorm residents. Upon graduation (or perhaps before graduation), many students will move into apartments with friends. Here, they will be forced to communicate and establish ground-rules for visitors of the opposite sex. Students who have been relying on a university policy to prevent conflict with roommates will be at a considerable disadvantage. The absence of parietal policy at Notre Dame would encourage students to become more active communicators.

A final argument for the impracticality of parietal policy is found in the area of gender relations. Parietals impose restrictions on socialization because many Notre Dame students are involved in extra-curricular activities that take up their evenings. In this case, the hours remaining for socialization fall later in the evening. Students of the opposite sex are often discouraged from visiting at all because they would only have a short period of time to hang out. Furthermore, late night bonding activities occur mainly between members of the same sex after parietals, when students have free time. These factors are a main reason for the difficulties in gender relations on campus.

These arguments touch on the main inconveniences and impracticalities of the current parietal policy. I am sure that students and administrators could work together in order to formulate a new parietals policy which alleviates some of the impractical inconveniences while maintaining the integrity and intent of parietals.

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Counter Point

Parietals Crucial Part of ND's Moral Framework

Everybody has encountered the stupidity of having to leave before he/she is finished studying; everybody thinks it's ridiculous that nonresidents have to go home before the movie is over just because it's midnight. Many people grumble that parietals have no point.

But they are wrong.

Parietals do, in fact, have a point. They are, as we are all told during first-year orientation, meant to give dorms a closing-down time — to create hours of quiet and privacy for residents who want to sleep or study without the distraction of visitors. Parietals mean that the loud

party down the hall (to which you were not invited) will not keep you up past 2 a.m. They mean your roommate's boyfriend will not be watching TV in your room past midnight when you have an essay to write.

However, the primary benefits of parietals are not so superficial. As many people are quick to point out, parietals don't solve the problem of inconsiderate neighbors and roommates — nor should they attempt to. These are adult problems requiring adult responsibility. Other secondary benefits such as greater women's safety similarly fail to justify a set of strict times and punishments. Instead, we should consider parietals in terms of the moral atmosphere they help to create.

Consider the situation at Yale, where five Jewish students are suing the administration for permission to live off campus. They claim that the coed dorms infringe on their religious freedom by making modesty impossible.

Regardless of the legal merits of their suit, the issue has brought much to light about the atmosphere at Yale and many other private schools. Supporters of the Jewish students have pointed out the condom cabinets that "safe sex" signs direct them to, and the school newspaper articles full of terms such as the one calling roommates of occupied students "sexiles," and the overall prevalence of open, unrestricted sex.

Parietals are not the only reason that we don't have a similar atmosphere at Notre Dame. But they are a big part of the ambiance we do have. By giving nighttime visits a definite time of ending, parietals draw a distinct line between visiting and sleeping over. The time seems arbitrary, but it has to be — the idea is not that midnight brings the witching hour but that unmarried men and women do not and should not live together at this school. At some point, the visit must end. Parietals give every visit an end.

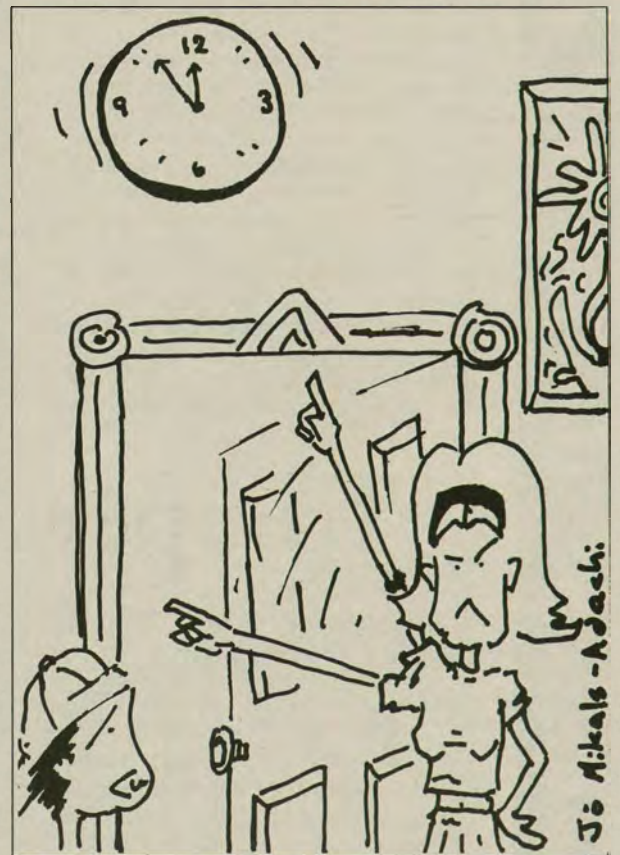
Far from stunting normal relationships, parietals set guidelines for healthier relationships which observe traditional propriety. As for innocuous fun, common rooms provide a place to continue talking and studying well past parietals.

We suffer the annoyance every time the clock cuts an interesting visit short, and every time we have to send our friends of the opposite gender to a hotel rather than have them visit overnight. But allowing such exceptions would create a potential for abuse which would undermine the fundamental importance of parietals and their strong message.

At football games, we are proud to claim that we are ND. But ND is not just the football team with the gold helmets — it is also the respectable student body that we have become. Parietals are an integral part of the moral atmosphere that brought so many of us to this school in the first place.

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BRING ON THE BUGS

By JOSH BECK
Accent Movie Critic

Maybe I'm not being fair to Paul Verhoeven when I state the fact that "Starship Troopers" doesn't really live up to its billing. I mean, this is the guy that brought us "Robocop" (his best yet) and the thoroughly intriguing "Basic Instinct." However, he also disappointed us with "Total Recall" and the abysmally awful "Showgirls." Hell, this guy was even quoted in a recent interview as saying: "Ten years from now, people will look back and see that 'Showgirls' was an elegantly made film." Alright, I take it back. I guess "Starship Trooper" does live up to its billing. A gory, teeny-bop, fast-paced thrill ride which occurs in the not-too-distant future, Verhoeven again boggles our minds with a movie that at first glance seems utterly useless. That is, it's pointless until you figure out that what you're witnessing is a visual masterpiece. Utilizing superbly dazzling visual effects which put the movie well over the 100 million dollar production mark, Verhoeven creates a veritable roller coaster that never lets you off.

The premise is simple: bugs, bugs, and more bugs, which come in an array of different kinds including dragonflies, the grotesque arachnids, and the Titanic-ly huge roaches which stretch for city blocks. None of this seems to faze this cast of perfect faces, however, as they proceed to the Arachnid planet after Earth is attacked to wipe out the bug race once and for all! Being dreadfully outnumbered (in part since one bug takes about five humans in order to kill it), the Mobile Infantry endures many



Johnny Rico (Casper Van Dien) warns his fellow Mobile Infantry troopers of an approaching Tanker Bug in "Starship Troopers."

hardships in order to achieve their goal: to capture the bug "brain" that is at the center of mischief. Stemming from a cast of prim and proper nobodies comes an army capable of stopping the insect onslaught. Like movies such as "Jurassic Park" and "Independence Day" which were flubs in terms of acting, this movie doesn't exude the best in theatrical talent, either. The characters, being entirely one-dimensional and undeveloped, are unfortunately played by people who couldn't act their way out of a paper bag and are thus currently starring on "Beverly Hills, 90210" and "Melrose Place" because, well, they look really good. But, like so many stunningly visual blockbusters, this ultimately doesn't matter, as Verhoeven directs

with style and a flair for tongue-and-cheek, keeping the war updated with shockingly hilarious newsreels and making us laugh because of the cast's inabilities.

The only flaw besides the obvious lack of acting talent would be the lack of a script that we don't laugh at because of its stupidity, although this screenplay does seem to fit the film's cheekiness. With such memorable lines as "So, you think you're some smart bug, huh?" and "Die, bugs, die!" this script does leave something to be said, and that is "My God." Written by Ed Neumeier, this script works only because the actors reliving it are just as bad, which creates not only moments of hilarious laughter, but a constant chuckle that lasts

throughout the film. This, of course, leaves you completely when you see the inevitable human being decapitated by a huge insect. The gore in this film due to the special effects is at times overwhelming with soldiers being ripped apart limb by limb and body parts flying every which way. To put it bluntly, it makes "Braveheart" look like "Driving Miss Daisy" and it's definitely not for the squeamish.

As one movie critic put it: "Special effects become special only when we realize we're not watching them anymore." In terms of the special visual effects brought about by mostly computer animation, this film is a triumph worthy of an Academy Award. This is what ultimately saves the movie: the fact that there is a lot of fighting and little dialogue in places. With this film, Verhoeven creates a poster child for movies of this nature in the future. This is of course the notion that you can keep making blockbuster films which are all brawn and no brain. But don't let "Starship Troopers" fool you; although you might believe you're laughing hysterically because it's just that bad, in actuality you're feeding the movie's surprisingly subtle brilliance, and this is what makes it succeed as a sci-fi blockbuster. And remember: "The only good bug is a dead bug!"

Summary: Gore, gore, and more gore. Hysterically funny because of the false impression that it's serious. Fantastic visual effects. Lots of pretty faces recognizable from TV. Not too long and not too short at 129 minutes.



(Out of five shamrocks)

'Troopers' tries but just can't grow up

By JOE LENISKI
Accent Movie Critics

"Just wait and see for yourself." These are the words I used to defend "Starship Troopers" before I actually saw it in the theater. Despite the constant ridicule that everyone has been handing down on this film, I thought it deserved at least a "maybe." Maybe it will be the comeback film for a director who has popped and fizzled out since he first amazed audiences with "Robocop" and "Total Recall." Maybe the disturbingly-young faces cast as the principle actors

and Denise Richards (Carmen Ibanez), two angst-ridden youth growing up in an Americanized Buenos Aires sometime in the next century. Now Johnny and Denise would love to just go to Harvard and live out the American Dream, but there is a problem: the Federation now rules the world, an authoritarian yet seemingly benign regime which restricts citizenship and all of its perks to only those who enlist in federal service. And they need these soldiers too, because lately some big bad bugs from Klendathu, a solar system billions of light-years away, have been hurling massive asteroids at Earth for some unapparent reason. The plotline inexorably and sometimes painfully treks forward, and in the end humanity prevails and proves once again that it alone tops the evolutionary ladder of the Darwinian universe. But of course, in all of their economic genius, the creators left enough unanswered questions for four sequels and a television cartoon show, which means that those nasty bugs are not going away anytime soon.

This movie honestly tries to be appealing to all audiences despite an "R" rating, but in this vain attempt the film severs itself into two parts: a dominating visual joyride and a sickness-inducing

blend of poor writing, acting, and plot development. The film is a spectacle for the eyes, with amazing and breakthrough special effects done by ILM. The same fellows who brought frightening realism to the T-rex take their computer-generated mastery a step further by creating legions of Klendathu critters that interact seamlessly with their human counterparts. Director Paul Verhoeven's fetish for blood is satiated with a gore-fest fitting for a Manson family reunion. Every head-rolling, insides turned-out (literally), head-gorging and brain-siphoning action shot is done with a mastery not seen since his "Total Recall" days. Throw in the gratuitous nudity and erotic element standard to any Verhoeven film and we get a full-fledged and unadulterated testos-



(L-R) Casper Van Dien, James Morse, Dina Meyer, and Sugar Watkins battle for their freedom against the bug-like Klendathu.

will prove themselves to be the Hollywood icons of a new era. Maybe the millions of dollars spent by Industrial Light and Magic on special effects will produce a visual extravaganza not seen since the first "Jurassic Park." And maybe, just maybe, all of these elements will combine in such a way that this film transforms into a truly spectacular movie, worthy of critical accolades, mammoth box-office numbers and nominations for little gold bald guys next spring.

Then again, maybe it will be pretty bad. This is what I resolved myself to believe after seeing "Starship Troopers."

The film revolves around the lives of Sweet-Valley High sweethearts Johnny Rico (Casper Van Dien)

STARSHIP TROOPERS

quick facts:

Directed by
Paul Verhoeven

Starring
Casper Van Dien, Dina Meyer, Denise Richards, Jake Busey, Neil Patrick Harris, Clancy Brown, and Seth Gilliam

terone-packed feast for the visual receptors.

Unfortunately, the story just could not keep up with those computer processors. Whereas the blood and violence is intent on pleasing the adult viewer, the adolescent-oriented script sounds as if it were written by the editor for Seventeen magazine. The movie's premise is promising, but it winds through a ridiculous storyline degraded further by cheesy dialogue, fairly poor acting, and annoying Federal Network internet clips. The acting is static and unconvincing, due mostly to the fact that the roles comprise of rookie actors best known for their guest spots on "Beverly Hills, 90210" and "Saved by the Bell." Based on the novel by "brain-suck" specialist Robert A. Heinlein, the movie takes themes to an extreme by actually managing to suck the intelligence out of the audience.

"Starship Troopers" can best be described as "Aliens" meets a Mentos/Clearasil commercial. It gets five shamrocks for the visual experience, and negative three for the brutal cacophony of the ears, leaving it with a generous two shamrock rating. Do not take your date to this movie, and do not take your younger sibling to this movie. But is it worth you spending \$4 to view? Just go and see for yourself.



(Out of five shamrocks)

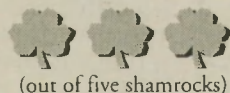
■ IN THEATERS NOW

Pacino plays a devilishly good part

The Devil's Advocate

Directed by Taylor Hackford

Starring Al Pacino, Keanu Reeves,
and Craig T. Nelson



(out of five shamrocks)

By MIKE MCMORROW

Accent Movie Critic

The casting of Al Pacino as the devil is so inherently alluring that it's hard to believe that it could result in a boring, or even an uninteresting movie. And that, it certainly doesn't. "The Devil's Advocate" is a flamboyantly boastful movie which, had it been a little more disciplined and had Keanu Reeves been replaced by an actor with the potential for complexity, could have succeeded to be both a comic showcase for Pacino's ability to improvise and some sort of statement about everybody's capacity to sin.

The film stars Keanu Reeves as an unbeaten lawyer from the South by the name of Kevin Lomax. It opens with him about to cross-examine a girl who, supposedly, had been sexually molested by his client, a school-teacher. We begin to see the setup of how Lomax will be caught in a lawyer's dilemma, in which he must decide between his conscience and defending his obviously guilty client. Anyhow, Lomax gets a job offer at a

big-time New York law firm (which feels like something out of "The Firm"). Along with the job at the firm is an opportunity to live in a gorgeous apartment complex reserved for partners on Fifth Avenue. Lomax's wife loves the idea as well, so they move.

And then in comes Mr. Pacino. He plays the ring-leader of the law firm — a hot-shot lawyer who never seems to lose by the name of John Milton. (Yes, it's no coincidence that the author of Paradise Lost shares the name with the devil. Oops! I wasn't supposed to tell you that. The previews apparently were, though.) Milton takes Lomax under his belt and shows him the ways of the New York practice. There is a sequence in which the two are on top of the building, speaking of the potentials of the job, looking straight down into the heart of New York. The top of the building is made up of a pond which fades into a waterfall off the edge. How this works, well, I suppose if you're the devil, that's probably not that great of a trick. Lomax's wife, while at first loving New York City, begins to get fed-up with the snobbery involved with the New York elite. Meanwhile, Reeves gets to handle defending a long-time client of the firm who has been charged with triple-murder. Again, the dilemma is being setup.

The rest of the story, I will not reveal. One thing the film certainly does succeed in doing is keeping you guessing. This manages to be one of its pleasures and problems. "The Devil's Advocate" has a tendency to almost go into seizure at times, in which we get the sensation that anything could happen. This quality allows the filmmakers to stray from their original conceit by adding perhaps unnecessary artistic graphic inserts and perhaps even unnecessary subplots. (If you see the film contemplate the Delroy Lindo character's role.)

Since the discipline issue has both a positive and negative side to it, it is difficult to penalize the film by any great measure because of its apparent lack of discipline. But the film's major flaw is in the Lomax character. He seems too simplistic, and Keanu Reeves is not an actor whose gift is manifested in his ability. I might have chosen Johnny Depp or Lou Diamond Phillips to play the role of Lomax. Reeves also, more fundamentally, is not a terribly convincing actor in that we have difficulty resonating with him. "The Devil's Advocate" is the type of movie which depends on our empathizing with the hero — a vicarious experience. But Reeves can't add the necessary depth to Kevin Lomax that allows us to want to empathize with him. Rather, we see him as rather dull, and just as a way to take screen time away from Pacino.

But the film is worth seeing just for Pacino's performance. In his most recent films, he has had a tendency to overact at not always the most appropriate times. But here, that overacting quality is called for. I'd suggest to you Keanu Reeves fans out there that this film might have more to offer you. It would allow you to experience Pacino's lavishly self-indulgent performance in a light which adds more to the story, rather than just being a stand-up act for Pacino. But the rest of us will just savor Al's grin, and come out with exactly that on our faces as we leave the theater. "The Devil's Advocate" is a movie which raises many questions about the legal profession and many more about human nature, but seems stymied by an instance of miscasting and perhaps a lack of discipline. I'd suggest to Taylor Hackford, the director, that he take a look at some of his old material (in which we see his gift for bringing out the passion in his performers) and use that to either give Reeves a heart or the boot.

■ SOAP OPERA UPDATES

General Hospital

By GENEVIEVE MORRILL
General Hospital Correspondent

Felicia accuses Tess of pulling her leg but is shocked when the woman convinces her. When Felicia asks Mac the 411 about his relations with Tess, he is hurt that she believes him capable of loving and leaving someone. Later, Felicia tries to quit, but then the mysterious woman uses a phrase that Mac did, and Felicia is reconverted. My mother also uses it, does that mean she was married to Tess? Say it with me Felicia, evidence is my friend.

Alan continues to pop pills, even getting caught by Amy with a prescription he called in with her name on it. He explains it away, but his problem is getting worse, he is moody and he even pops pills during lovemaking with Monica. Granted she is no Cindy Crawford, but does he need drugs to do his marital duty? Of course maybe he needs the pills to deal with her lectures about finding career goals. I think she should talk to Brenda too.

Brenda moves into her new home and spends the first night on the couch. Julia stops by to say good-bye before she leaves. Brenda and Jax spend what would have been their first anniversary apart, spending more time talking on the phone than middle school girls. Even with all the advice Dr. Jax is giving her, he manages to stock her pantry. They play talk radio and imagine what their lives could have been. Jason stops by to give Brenda a housewarming gift: bodyguards? She tells him she's out of Sonny's world and to stay away.

At dinner, Ned tells Alexis that the mole at ELQ was a Cassadine employee and blames her. She reminds him she never asked about ELQ, and he never told her about sensitive issues. She goes home and tells Stefan that Ned knows and she took responsibility. He wonders why? Alexis tells him she can't wait to get out of town. As he reads her

papers he notices she paid George and sends for the man to find out why. Ned's sense of betrayal knows no boundaries. He even goes to Jax with a deal, help the Q's get ELQ Jakarta back and you get half the business. Jax one ups him and plans to attack the parent company.

Nik gives Sarah her gift, not a night of lovin', but a necklace. He says he wishes she and Audrey could come and live with him and then asks her about her fantasies. Living with your significant other's grandparent? That's weird, even for a Cassadine. Later he finds the condoms — SCORE, and wonders if she wants a piece of him. Liz asks both Nik and Sarah about their fight, and neither one has any idea what she's talking about. Kids, put two and two together! Sarah shares the condom incident with Emily and asks for her advice. Advice from a Quartermaine, that's asking for trouble. Next topic, is Nik the big V or not?

Carly calls her mother and tells her about her marriage. Virginia wants to come to the wedding, but Carly says no as everyone believes her to be dead. Virginia calls Bobbie to tell her about their little girl, but Bobbie is convinced that Virginia's off her rocker as everyone believes Caroline is dead. Tony shows up with a marriage license. She wants to go to the country to get married, but he says no, he wants Lucas to be at the wedding. Lorraine tries to convince Carly to induce, but she's convinced that A.J. will not question the due date. Little does she know that A.J. is at Mercy trying to scam his way into a copy of the sonagram. The nun, being no fool, refuses to give him a copy without a valid driver's license. So A.J. does what anyone who needs a fake does, he asks his brother for one. With it he gets the real due date and runs to confront Carly. Maybe she won't have to induce after all!

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Days of Our Lives

By NAOMI FREEMAN,
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Days of Our Lives' Correspondents

Yes, DAYS fans, it finally happened. In our fervor to keep you completely up-to-date on the events in Salem as well as provide stimulating and thought-provoking commentary—WE SCREWED UP. Somehow the lines of communication got crossed and we ended up creating a cliffhanger wedding scenario that wasn't quite accurate. Anyway, the nuptials were at St. Luke's and John did get there in time to halt the ceremony. (We humbly apologize to any John/Marlina storyline fans!) Oh, and we're going to try the summary a little differently this week. Rather than grouping it by storyline, we're going to take it chronologically and see what happens. On to DAYS!

To start off the week, we got a big rehash of the whole "John-breaking-up-the-wedding" scene and everybody rushed back to the hospital to try out the cure. At the airport, Sami is relieved at not being discovered in her nun's habit during the flight, but then she gets stopped at Customs. It's only through the "divine" intervention of Sister Mary Moira that she escapes (although she does have to lie and say she's considering a vocation in the church).

As it turns out, the cure will only halt the progression of Roman's disease, not cure it. For a complete recovery, Roman needs the blood (and antibodies) of someone who's used the serum before. You guessed it: STEFANO. The only way he says he'll donate is if Marlina publicly forgives him and agrees to be his friend. She says yes, and the rest of Salem is forced to put up with The Phoenix as a regular member of society (he got his pardon too). Jennifer takes this opportunity to tell him that she'll pull the Horton support if anything happens to Jack in prison. Ooh Jennifer, you're so intimidating!

Stefano checks on Travis and T.C. and finds out they're trying to kill Jack in a prison machine press. Fearing the wrath of Jennifer, he orders them to stop at once. In a well-acted and definitely not overdramatized scene (AS IF), Jack's head is wrenched from the machine just seconds before it would have been crushed. At the hospital, Sami overhears Carrie tell Mike she's been thinking a lot about the two of them lately and Sami is confident this is the moment she could be waiting for.

Following the big Halloween bash, Vivian and Ivan plan to leave Jonesy's house when they stumble across a secret room containing a ton of jewels and cash. Viv immediately makes plans to secure the rest of Jonesy's fortune and she learns that she must marry him to gain control of his riches. So naturally Vivian forces Ivan to dress up as a priest and perform the rites. Imagine her surprise to later learn that Jonesy intends on sharing a real honeymoon with his Flora Dora!

In the week's finale, Sister Mary Moira and Caroline compare notes and figure out that Sami was in Rome (and definitely does not want to be a nun). They tell everybody about her, and Carrie even gets to call her a "bitcu" during their little catfight. What's even funnier about the scene is that Austin just stands there clueless the whole time (what a pretty box of rocks he is!) Eric lashes out at Marlina for her inability to choose between John and Roman. Jennifer finally manages to get the warden's password and attempts to send it to Jack. Unbeknownst to her, T.C. and Travis decide it's time to do something about Jack's meddling ex-wife!

This week should be quite exciting for DAYS fans.

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VOLLEYBALL

Two weekend wins clinch Big East title

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team returned to the Joyce Center this weekend, hosting two conference opponents in the final regular season home stand of the season.

While the conditions were unusual, the results were not, as the Irish won both matches to continue their domination of the Big East conference and win the regular-season title.

On Friday, Notre Dame competed against West Virginia, traditionally one of the toughest teams in the conference. However, tradition didn't carry far as the Irish quickly defeated them in three games, 15-2, 15-4, 15-10.

Notre Dame held the Mountaineers to a team hitting percentage of .049 while maintaining a 9-4 blocking edge. West Virginia was never able to build any momentum, committing 26 attacking errors and 12 service errors.

"It seemed like they missed a lot of serves during the match," head coach Debbie Brown remarked on the Mountaineers. "Sometimes, I think a strategy that gets to us is that they have to serve real tough and try to not have us pass so they can handle us. That might be an explanation for it."

The Irish were led once again by the duo of Angie Harris and Jaimie Lee, who had 14 and 11 kills respectively. Mary Leffers also had 11 kills and four block assists. Freshmen Christi Girton

had a match-high four service aces and assisted on five blocks, while teammate Jo Jameyson came off the bench to record a career-best eight kills on .385 hitting.

West Virginia, despite having a subpar evening, was led by Adriana Hardy, who had 10 kills but also recorded 10 errors on 37 swings. With the loss, the Mountaineers fall to 14-10 on the season and 4-4 in Big East action.

The win against the Mountaineers marked a milestone in Brown's career, as it was her 300th career Division I coaching victory. In 12-plus seasons as a coach, Brown has compiled a record of 300-138, including a 183-55 mark at Notre Dame.

Sunday, the Irish faced off in their final home match of the regular season against Pittsburgh. Despite giving the Irish a scare, the Panthers went down in four games, 15-2, 15-13, 14-16, 15-5.

The Irish started off strong in the first game, registering a 12-0 run before Pittsburgh could get on the board. Four kills by Lee forced Pittsburgh to take a time-out early in the game. The break in the action didn't stop the Irish offensive, as the attack continued, culminating in an ace

from Girton. After the Panthers scored their first point, the two teams traded sideouts until a kill from McCarthy finished off the first game.

In the second game, the Panthers started to get their second wind, taking an early 2-0 lead. The Irish came back, however, to tie the game at three apiece. The lead went back and forth for the rest of the game with a total of nine lead changes taking place in game two. With the home team down 13-11, Harris scored three straight aces to set up game point.

After one failed attempt, Girton and freshman Denise Boylan combined on a block to take the second game. The play in the third game was similar with both teams keeping pace until the final point. The Irish had Pittsburgh at match point four times during the course of the game, but a rally late in the game pushed the Panthers to win their only game of the afternoon.

"I think we had a little bit of a mental lapse today, during that game," Brown said about the Pittsburgh rally. "I think we did some good things, but we really didn't respond very well to what they did then."

The Irish regained their steam

in the fourth game, quickly erasing a 2-0 deficit and taking an 8-5 lead before the Panthers could take a time-out. Notre Dame stretched their lead to 13-5 to force another time-out. Another Pittsburgh error, followed by a kill from Lee, closed out the match.

Statistically, Notre Dame was led by Lee, who scored 21 kills on 37 swings. She was backed by Harris, who recorded a match-high five aces to go with her 14 kills. Harris also had 20 digs, tying her career high. With the loss, the Panthers fall to 13-11 on the season and 5-4 in conference play.

The win against Pittsburgh marked the final regular season home match for the class of 1997, which helped Notre Dame rise to national prominence in collegiate volleyball. In a short ceremony before the match, the four seniors were honored for their contributions.

"It's kind of weird this season," Brown said. "Because we have quite a few road matches to go. One of the things we're going to try to do is play so well for the rest of the season that we can get a chance to host a match or two in the NCAA tournament. Sure, it's sad to think that they might not play here again, but the season's still far from over."

"It's very sad for me," Harris commented. "I hope very much that we can host some round of the NCAA's later on, but I've spent four years playing here, and I've had some great memories."

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The two teams struggled through the adverse conditions for 60 more minutes before Notre Dame put the game away. Junior Ben Bocklage sealed the win for the Irish with a 30-yard blast with 15 minutes to play. After taking the ball in the midfield, Bocklage ripped a shot that beat Pirate goalkeeper Derek Martin and then deflected off of the crossbar into the goal.

Outshooting the Irish 13-9, Seton Hall had many chances to score during the game. One of the better opportunities for the Pirates came when sophomore Peter Scavo's shot hit the right post with eight minutes left. Seton Hall finishes the year at 11-8.

Success in postseason tournaments is nothing new for the Irish. In his eighth season as head coach, Mike Berticelli has led Notre Dame to three of the school's four NCAA tournament appearances.

Last year, Berticelli led Notre Dame to its first NCAA tournament win with a victory over No. 2 seed UNC-Greensboro. Along with these accolades, his Irish teams have won three conference titles in the past four seasons. A conference tournament title is the only way that Notre Dame will make it to the NCAA tournament this year, so Berticelli and the team have their work cut out for them.

In the other semi-final matchup, Rutgers will face the winner of the Connecticut-Georgetown quarterfinal which was postponed until Monday because of the weather.

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■ HOCKEY

Icers soar past Falcons but fall short to Spartans

By JOHN COPPOLELLA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame hockey team enjoyed another successful weekend against Bowling Green and Michigan State even though the score-board may not have indicated it.

Although they defeated the Falcons 2-1 on Friday night and fell short against Michigan State by the score of 3-1 on Saturday, the Irish (6-3-0, 2-2-0)



Simon

continued their march to prominence and notoriety in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA).

Things began in a hurry on Friday night at the Joyce Center. The Irish came out firing and immediately began relentlessly attacking the Bowling Green net. A flurry of shots resulted in a relatively quick goal from Aniket Dhadphale just over four minutes into the contest.

Sophomore defenseman Tyson Fraser initiated the goal with a shot from the left point that failed to reach the Falcons' goaltender. Irish center Steve Noble then fired the rebound back on net, only to have it blocked by

the defense. As soon as the the shot was blocked, Dhadphale was there, and sent a shot past Falcon goalie Mike Savard.

The Irish scored another goal later in the first period after staving off three Bowling Green power plays. With the Falcons working the puck in the Irish zone, freshman defenseman Mark Eaton dove to deflect an attempted shot.

Simon promptly grabbed the ricochet of this ill-fated shot and proceeded to move up the ice. Shielding a Falcon defenseman through a zone, Ben Simon was able to nudge the puck in the left corner of the Bowling Green net with four minutes remaining in

the first period.

After a scoreless second period, the Falcons managed to come away with a late goal on the power play against Irish goaltender Matt Eisler. Eisler played another magnificent game, refusing the Falcons on 21 of 22 shots, lowering his already incredible goals against average.

"Once again, Matt Eisler stepped up when he had to," said Irish coach Dave Poulin. "He was big all night in the penalty killing when he stepped out and saved some shots."

On Saturday, the Irish traveled to Michigan State to do battle with the fourth-ranked Spartans. Last week, after suffering a 5-1 defeat at home, the Irish marched into East Lansing and came away with a historical 6-1 victory against the then second-ranked Spartans. This night, however, the Irish would fall just short of once again defeating them.

The Spartans came out on the offensive in the first period in front of a sellout at Munn Ice Arena. Michigan State jumped ahead when the Spartans' Shawn Horcoff was able to rebound a shot that Eisler deflected as the Irish were once again trying to fight through another power play. The goal gave Michigan State the lead temporarily, but the Irish would come back to tie the game before the end of the first period.

As a Spartan hooking penalty was expiring, the Irish were able to even the score on a goal by Lyle Andrusiak. Sophomore Joe Dusbabek and freshman Matt Van Arkel were able to work the puck into the slot for Andrusiak, who promptly wristed a high shot past Spartan goaltender Chad Alban with about two minutes remaining in the period.

After a scoreless second period, the Irish headed into the third period with confidence. As they battled the Spartans punch for punch, the time remaining dwindled down. With a little under four minutes remaining in the game, the Spartans' Rustyn Dolyny was able to punch back a teammate's rebound to give Michigan State the lead for good. In an attempt to tie the score later on, the Irish pulled Eisler and the Spartans were able to grab an empty-net goal.

Michigan State's 3-1 victory spoiled another excellent effort by Eisler and the rest of the Irish. Notre Dame seemingly got stronger period after period in East Lansing, but things fell apart at the end with Dolyny's goal.

"We played one of the top teams in the country to a 1-1 game into the final minutes for the season series," said Poulin. "On the winning goal, the puck took a bad bounce away from Matt Eisler and sneaked under the bar. We'll get those breaks this season."

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Forward Meotis Erikson (10) earned All-Big East first team honors in her rookie season with the Irish.

Soccer

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"I was very concerned going into the game," said Petrucelli. "Kate was sick right up until game time. We didn't know if she would start, but once we determined that she could, we thought she would only be able to give us about 20 minutes."

But Sobrero played all 90 minutes, helping limit the Huskies to one goal on nine shots, with only one shot in the first half.

"The first half was as good a half as I have ever seen a Notre Dame team play," said Petrucelli.

Jenny Streiffer led the Irish out of the blocks quickly, nailing a rebound off a shot by Monica Gerardo, just over two minutes into the contest.

"We had so much fun out there (yesterday)," said Streiffer. "We've been looking forward to this game, and we were pumped up. Some people were sick, but we really came together as a team."

"When we play better teams," said Petrucelli, "players just step up and play better."

Just over four minutes later, a Husky defender brought Gerardo down in the box, setting up a penalty kick that Makinen slipped past Connecticut goalie Jen Traw for her 17th goal of the year.

Notre Dame's third goal was a Makinen trademark, a shot from outside the box that sailed over Traw's head into the back of the net.

Shannon Boxx took a feed from Streiffer and Sobrero to put the Irish up 4-0 at 39:51, and Monica Gonzalez netted her

ninth goal of the year just before the half to destroy any hope of a Connecticut comeback.

While the Huskies came out of the locker room with more passion, they could manage only one goal against the Irish, a header by Sarah Barnes that bounced past a diving LaKeysia Beene.

Makinen iced the victory with a break-away goal off a perfect feed from fellow freshman Meotis Erikson.

Notre Dame's six goals marked the most allowed by a Connecticut team in tournament play since a 6-0 loss to North Carolina in the 1990 NCAA championship game.

"The reason for our awesome play," said Makinen, "is that we had our hearts in the game, and that is the most important thing."

BIG EAST CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday

Notre Dame 7

Villanova 0

Sunday

Notre Dame 6

Connecticut 1

Insight

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lenge.

Even Connecticut, who has faced Notre Dame twice this season, refused to give the Irish the credit they deserve.

First, the 1-0 Irish victory on Oct. 26, was called a fluke because of the heavy rains that submerged Alumni Field and caused Connecticut's goalie to slip as Meotis Erikson slid a shot into the net.

And even after yesterday's 6-1 thrashing by the Irish, the Huskies faithful claimed that it was an off day for their team, perhaps the worst game

the team played all season.

Every team is entitled to an off day, but doesn't it seem ironic that many of the top teams have their off days against Notre Dame?

Maybe it has something to do with the way the Irish play. By constantly attacking the goal, controlling the ball and spreading the field, the Irish take opposing teams out of their game plans. Any team that feels uncomfortable with the tempo of a game will very likely have an off day.

How much longer will the Irish have to prove themselves?

Maybe all it will take is a national championship to silence the skeptics. Who knows?

1997 All-BIG EAST First Team

LaKeysia Beene, So., GK, Notre Dame

Jen Carlson, Fr., F, Connecticut

Jennifer Tietjen, Jr., M, Connecticut

Sara Whalen, Sr., F, Connecticut

Meotis Erikson, Fr., F, Notre Dame

Jen Grubb, So., B, Notre Dame

Anne Makinen, Fr., M, Notre Dame

Holly Manthei, Sr., M, Notre Dame

Kate Sobrero, Sr., B, Notre Dame

Kelly Smith, So., F, Seton Hall

Maura McGhee, Sr., M, Villanova

Irish shut out Wildcats in semifinals

Notre Dame overcomes poor weather

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

PISCATAWAY, N.J.

Neither the Villanova Wildcats nor a wind advisory could stop the Irish women's soccer team in the semifinals of the Big East championship tournament on Friday night.

Amid high winds and temperatures in the mid 40s at Rutgers University's Yurcak Field, Notre Dame came out firing, connecting on seven of its 39 shots for a 7-0 win over the Wildcats.

For the top-seeded Irish, the shutout victory sent the team into Sunday's conference championship for the third time since Notre Dame joined the Big East in 1995.

"We dominated the game from the start," said head coach Chris Petrucelli. "We played better in the first half, but with a 5-0 lead, we wanted to rest some people."

Forwards Meotis Erikson and Jenny Streiffer paced the Irish with two goals apiece. Erikson, whose nine-game goal-scoring streak ended last weekend with two scoreless games against Michigan and Providence, came back strong, netting the first Notre Dame goal five minutes into the contest.

Less than 30 seconds later, Streiffer put the Irish up 2-0 with a header past Villanova goalie Jeanne Hennessey.

Kara Brown scored her second goal of the season off a feed by Monica Gerardo and Holly Manthei. Gerardo dished out two assists on the day.

Streiffer's 18th goal of the year came at 21:58 as the sophomore beat a defender inside the box and nailed a shot that tipped off the goalie's fingertips before finding the left corner of the net.

The final tally of the first half was another unassisted goal, a 40-yarder that Anne Makinen lofted over the head of Hennessey.

Notre Dame's defense, led by Kate Sobrero, named 1997 Big East defensive player of the year, allowed the Wildcats only one shot in the first half, and just three for the game.

Irish goalie LaKeysia Beene made one save en route to her 16th shutout.

"This was a big game for us because we didn't play that well against Villanova the last time," said Sobrero. "They came out very physical, talking trash and playing dirty but didn't really have anything to back it up."

The second half proved to be more of the same for Notre Dame. Erikson took advantage of a give-and-go between Sobrero and Brown that split the Wildcat defenders, knocking in a loose ball in front of the net.

Reserve Iris Lancaster closed out the scoring for Notre Dame, taking a cross from defender Kelly Lindsey, who recorded her eighth assist of the year.

Notre Dame improved its career mark to 5-0 against Villanova while tying the tournament record for most goals in a Big East tournament game.



Freshman midfielder Anne Makinen scored four goals over two games for Notre Dame to earn the Big East tournament's Most Outstanding Player award.

Big East Champions



The Observer/John Daily
Big East defensive player of the year Kate Sobrero dribbles past a Villanova defender Friday night in Notre Dame's 7-0 semifinal win.



The Observer/John Daily
Kate Sobrero fought off the flu and the Huskies' attack Sunday afternoon, leading the defense that allowed only one Connecticut goal. Below, Holly Manthei attempts to avoid a slide tackle attempt.



The Observer/John Daily
The members of Notre Dame's 1997 Big East championship team pose with their trophies.



The Observer/John Daily
Shannon Boxx leaps over Jenny Streiffer while Connecticut's goalie attempts to clear the ball.



The Observer/John Daily
A wall set up by the Notre Dame defense springs into action as a Connecticut player takes a free kick in Sunday's championship final.



■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish look to continue success

By JOE CAVATO
Assistant Sports Editor

Last year, Muffet McGraw and the women's basketball team reached the pinnacle of the program's history, recording a record 31 wins on its way to a remarkable run through the NCAA tournament's Final Four.

This year, McGraw faces the daunting challenge of trying to replace last year's graduating class that can be simply described as the best in Notre Dame history. Gone are 2,000 point scorers Beth Morgan and Katryna Gaither as well as starting point guard Jeannine Augustin and power forward Rosanne Bohman.

"This year, it's a whole new team, and we've got great team chemistry," McGraw said. "This is going to be a fun team to work with. We're definitely young, and we're not going into this season saying we have to top last year or even match last year."

"We want to be the best that this team can be, and right now, we're not even sure what that is."

In fact, the Irish only return four players that were dressed for that national semi-final contest against the eventual champs, the Tennessee Volunteers. But at this point, McGraw is just trying to work out the kinks which tonight's pre-season game against the Brisbane Blazers from Australia provides them the opportunity to do.

"Our focus right now is on

getting better as a team," McGraw said. "We're anxious right now to play someone else."

This season, the squad welcomes back guards Danielle Green and Niele Ivey, who were out last season with injuries.

"Danielle is doing spectacularly," McGraw said of the junior who has recovered from a torn achilles tendon which she injured in the preseason last year. "She is really fully recovered and is going to be a big contributor for us this year. She is playing very well."

Ivey suffered a torn anterior crucial ligament in her knee in the fifth game of the season last year but is almost completely recovered.

"Niele is probably not quite at 100 percent yet, but she's close to it," McGraw said. "She will also be a major contributor for us. Danielle and Niele will help us in our defense initially but will also help us in our transition game."

The Irish will also be rejoined by center Diana Braendly who left the team for personal reasons last year. In addition, Notre Dame volleyball middle blocker Mary Leffers will join the team after the completion of the volleyball season.

McGraw also has a solid recruiting class that includes three USA Today honorable mention all-Americans. Front court players Meaghan Leahy, Kelley Siemon, Ruth Riley, and guard Imani Dunbar will make the transition to the college game.

"We're expecting them to come along slowly," McGraw said about her freshmen. "We're just trying to get them comfortable and don't expect too much from them as far as scoring. But we're still expecting them to contribute."

With the freshman class and the addition of Braendly and Leffers, the Irish will have depth in the front court as the team will have five players 6-foot-3 or taller.

McGraw is hoping that her young team with many new faces will mesh quickly as its first regular season game against Butler is just over a week away.

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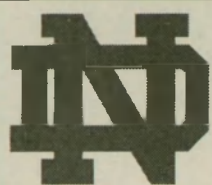
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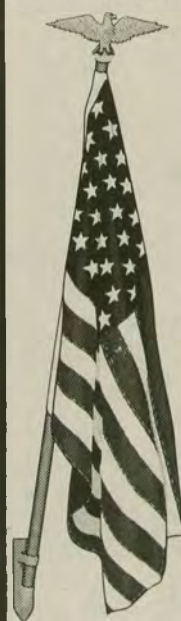
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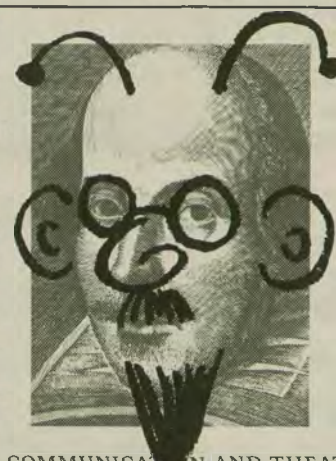
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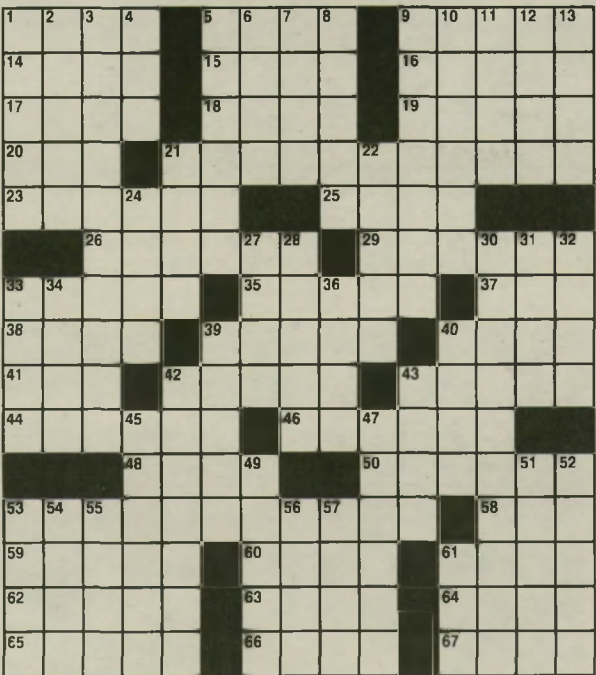
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Aries: You find yourself being unusually defensive today. Minor misunderstandings result in major irritation. This is a good day to develop a sense of compassion for your opponents.

Taurus: This is a day of celebrating change. A new way of doing things brings freshness and beauty to your life. A favorite dream shows signs of coming true.

Gemini: Someone's whispered conversation leaves you feeling a little persecuted. Ignore the demons of your personal life by losing yourself in your work today. An idea is on the right track, even if not yet perfect.

Cancer: This is a good day to spend time with, or at least be in touch with, members of your extended family. A distant place is homelike if you know somebody there. Everything seems somehow symbolic today.

Leo: Some aspect of your romantic life is influenced by outside forces. Playing the tragic hero brings only a moment's satisfaction. A change is not the same thing as an ending.

Virgo: A loved one requires your attention today. Concentrate on just a few things instead of managing the whole circus. A big mistake could turn out to be a stroke of luck.

Libra: A truce begins to turn stale today with no visible progress toward a resolution. Little things began to add up again. Take a deep breath and give your partner the benefit of the doubt.

Scorpio: Everyone trusts you today, which helps set the stage for a little creative mischief. It's hard to keep a delicious secret in an excitable mood. You learn one lesson even as you are teaching another.

Sagittarius: Just because you're ready to go the distance doesn't mean you'll get the support you need to make the trip comfortable or even possible. Dreams might have to be put on hold. Someone else's needs pull at you.

Capricorn: Sometimes the singer has more impact than the song itself. You say something brilliant within earshot of an influential person. Your integrity is obvious to everyone around.

Aquarius: An informal meeting is sidetracked by confusion over something basic. You may be in for a big surprise today. Retain your composure in the face of either good or bad news.

Pisces: Today you are the star of your own movie. Steam rises at the touch of your smoldering gaze. Forget about what you need or what you deserve — today you get what you want.

■ Of Interest

The ladies of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are having a book fair for the Scholarship Fund the week of November 10-14. Purchases can be made at Majereck's North Village Mall, Town & Country Plaza. Deposit your sales slip in the box at the store, and 10 percent of the proceeds will go for the scholarships.

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■ WOMEN'S SOCCER

Surprise, surprise: Irish take Big East title

Team effort brings dreams of another national title in focus

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

PISCATAWAY, N.J.

Since the first day of the 1997 season, the Notre Dame women's soccer team has been focused on achieving a single goal: winning a national championship.

The Irish moved one step closer to that goal yesterday, defeating fourth-ranked Connecticut 6-1 in the Big East conference tournament championship game, earning an automatic bid into the 32-team NCAA Division women's tournament that begins this weekend.

Irish freshman sensation Anne Makinen took advantage of the Huskies' soft marking in the middle of the field, recording her second hat trick of the year to lead Notre Dame.

Makinen's four goals in two games earned the Irish midfielder the tournament's Most Outstanding Player award and four individual Big East championship records: most goals in one game (three) and the tournament (four), and most points in one game (six) and the tournament (eight).

Notre Dame improved its Big East tournament record to 6-0, capturing the title for the third consecutive year.

Although the day ended just as the Irish had hoped, it began with several concerns for head coach Chris Petrucelli, including the loss of sophomore Jenny Heft to injury and Big East defensive player of the year Kate Sobrero's battle with the stomach flu.



Shannon Boxx (5) and Holly Manthei (16) congratulate their teammates Sunday after capturing Notre Dame's third straight Big East conference tournament championship.

Fighting Irish trying to prove themselves to the opposition

PISCATAWAY, N.J.

The Irish are undefeated, boasting a 5-0-1 record against ranked opponents, outscoring them by a 20-3 margin.

But despite these impressive statistics, Notre Dame finds itself constantly trying to prove something.

At the Big East conference championship tournament, for instance, I found myself defending the difficulty of Notre Dame's schedule to someone in the press box. A cursory glance at Notre Dame's goals scored (113) and goals allowed (6) columns led him to the conclusion that the Irish play an easy schedule. Just because a team has the nation's highest scoring offense doesn't automatically mean it plays a weak schedule.

According to Jeff Sagarin's latest college women's soccer power ratings, Notre Dame's schedule is the fifth-toughest among teams ranked in the NSCAA Top 25 and the 10th toughest of all Division I women's soccer teams.

Although the Big East conference, with the exception of Connecticut, has hardly challenged the Irish this year, the addition of teams like Portland, Duke, Michigan and North Carolina gave Notre Dame a formidable chal-



Allison Krilla
Sports Writer

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■ MEN'S SOCCER

ND tops Seton Hall to advance to semis

By TOM STUDEBAKER
and DAN LUZIETTI
Sports Writers

Defending Big East tournament champion Notre Dame advanced to the semifinals of the 1997 Big East championship with a 2-0 quarterfinal win over Seton Hall on Sunday.

The Irish, now 10-8-2 on the year, will play top-seeded and defending national champion St. John's (15-2-2) in the tournament semi-finals on Friday at the University of Connecticut in Storrs Conn.

The fifth-seeded Irish scored a goal in each half to defeat the fourth-seeded Pirates. The teams not only had to battle

each other, they had to contend with a muddy field and rain throughout the contest. The less-than-perfect conditions affected both teams, with each having few scoring opportunities.

Sophomore defender Matt McNew put the Irish up 1-0 with a goal 17 minutes into the contest. The goal, which proved to be the game-winner, came off of a corner kick from senior Scott Wells. Wells sent

the ball into the penalty box, and McNew headed it to the ground. The shot then deflected off a Seton Hall defender and rolled into the left side of the

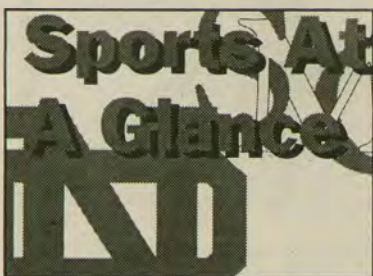
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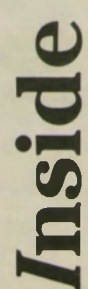
Sophomore Matt Mcnew scored the game-winning goal to ensure the Irish a spot in the Big East semifinals.



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