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■ STUDENT UNION

Union hikes activities fee

By TIM LOGAN
News Writer

The student activities fee will increase by \$10 for the next academic year as a result of a proposal put forth by the executive cabinet of the Student Union in December.

Next year, the fee, which has not been increased since the 1980s, will be \$65. The new revenue will be divided up among student organizations, with half of it going to clubs.

While the raise in the fee is not as high as student body vice president Ereik Nass had originally hoped, the Student Union is happy with the change.

"Although the original proposal asked for a \$15 increase, we are still pleased about the approved increase. This is something that has been long overdue on campus," Nass explained.

The additional money will increase the budget of student government, which stood at \$477,000 for the 1997-98 academic year, to approximately \$550,000. That money comes from fees paid by every student, as well as 50 percent of the proceeds from "The Shirt" project.

"The increase is very necessary and long overdue," said SUB board manager Andria Wisler. "It will enable us to put together better and more complete programming throughout the year."

SUB will receive approximately 10 percent of the new funding and will use the money to get more outside entertainment and perhaps lower ticket costs for student events.

A major factor in applying for the higher fees is the increasing cost of running events through student government. Inflation alone has made a substantial dent in what can be covered by the fee.

Another problem has been the increased cost of hiring entertainment and guest speakers.

"It's been really hard work for programmers to keep up with expensive acts," Wisler said.

Half of the revenue from the increase will be used to fund clubs and student organizations. The number of active clubs on campus has nearly doubled since the last fee increase in the 1980s, and only 55 percent of funds requested by clubs were allocated this year.

"This increase addresses a need for money for student organizations. It's a good thing

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'He was genuine. He was grounded.'

Father James Foster

NOT FORGOTTEN

Memorial mass honors Brumbaugh

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
News Writer

Still recovering from the shock of Notre Dame senior Justin Brumbaugh's death on Feb. 8, those he knew, as well as those he did not, gathered to remember and celebrate the life of a person who was a friend, an intellectual, a basketball player, a storyteller, and a son.

Joining in prayer yesterday at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart were friends, family, hallmates from Knott and Flanner, and faculty, administrators, and clergy from the Notre Dame community.

"We have this tradition of a memorial mass as a liturgical way of bringing people together to celebrate the life of the person while helping everyone else to continue to move on," said University President Father Edward Malloy, who presided over the Mass.

"I think if there is any example of the Notre Dame community rallying together, [Brumbaugh's death] is it," Malloy added.

He also said that he had received a number of letters from people outside the Notre Dame community who were friends of the Brumbaugh family, and who expressed how impressed they were by the support that came from the University and students.

Residents of Brumbaugh's

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Knott Hall residents proceed into the Basilica for a memorial mass to remember and celebrate the life of Justin Brumbaugh (above). Programs (right) for the ceremony bore a sketched image of the senior.



Saint Mary's achieves School of the Year award

By KAT RADEMACHER
News Writer

Life's a beach at Saint Mary's College. Or at least as far as the Indiana Residence Hall Organization Conference is concerned.

Last Friday, 140 college students representing 12 Indiana schools arrived at Saint Mary's College for IRHOC '98. Keeping with the conference's theme, "Life's a Beach," the students came dressed in beach gear, ready to learn and share ideas about leadership.

A year's worth of planning to bring recognition of Saint Mary's to the state of Indiana finally paid off last Saturday when several awards were given to both the College and several students. After a full day of attending a variety of leadership programs, the students gathered for a formal banquet that night to present awards and to close the conference.

A number of awards were presented, but the highlight for Saint Mary's was winning the bid for School of the Year.

Don Shaner, conference veteran from the University of Evansville, shared his thoughts about the conference.

"These ladies have been in GLACURH [Great Lakes Association of Colleges & Universities Residence Halls] and IRHO [Indiana Residence Hall Organization] for only two years and put on a flawless sub-regional conference.

"I can't say enough about the staff and especially the co-chairs. They made our stay a memorable one, and [they provided] a great way to get Indiana fired up with record numbers

in attendance and record numbers of presenters and schools in attendance," said Shaner.

In addition to winning School of the Year, Saint Mary's also received four other awards. Amy Moskalick, co-chair

of the conference, won the Outstanding Service award, as well as the Director's Pin, the highest award a student or advisor can receive on the state level.

The director of IRHOC awards only seven pins, and three of them went to Saint Mary's. The other two Director's Pins were awarded to Lori Gundler, the Hoosier Communication coordinator and other conference co-chair, and Kim McNulty, Regina Hall director

who served as the IRHOC advisor.

Reflecting on the weekend, Moskalick said, "I think this conference and our awards show how far Saint Mary's College has come and what Saint Mary's can accomplish."

Gundler also had a positive impression of the conference.

"I am so proud of what we accomplished this weekend. The women of the conference staff and the Saint Mary's delegation represented the school with class and pride and truly brought out the best in Saint Mary's. It was an honor to work with all of them," Gundler said.

McNulty elaborated on Saint Mary's success.

"This conference has been a wonderful experience for the women of Saint Mary's College. IRHOC is a completely student run conference, and we showed the state of Indiana what the students of Saint Mary's College can do."

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AMY MOSKALICK
CO-CHAIR OF IRHOC

■ INSIDE COLUMN

Addicted to 'it'

It started out innocently enough.

Shannon Ryan
Saint Mary's Assistant Sports Editor

I stood in a line with a rowdy crew of students my freshman year, anxiously waiting to fill my cup with it. It, being that sweet substance we college kids take in like water.

But since that first taste, I think it has become a problem. So I'm giving it up for Lent, just as a trial period to see how I live without it and to realize if it's as serious as what I've guessed.

After my first swallow, I couldn't even stand it. The taste was overbearing and I practically gagged. It was way too filling and heavy, not to mention unhealthy for my preference. As my friends devoured theirs in seconds, I struggled to get mine down.

But, oh, how things have changed. It only took a few more tries and magically I couldn't get enough. I'm famous for being able to take in more than any guy. Not that I'm proud of this or anything.

As I discovered a world of tropical, sweet, sour, and fruity flavors, I fell in love with this refreshment. I became an expert at mixing the perfect flavors for a heavenly blend.

After a long week of stress, nothing compared to that cold concoction sliding down my throat. When I had a full or temporarily empty cup in my hand, I could relax and make conversation with ease. It somehow made the world seem okay.

Some was even labeled Lite, although this isn't half as good as the "real stuff." It claims to be made of fairly natural ingredients, so it couldn't be too bad for me, I figured. But no matter what brand or type, I reveled in it.

However, I soon began to overindulge, and it started to control my life. I became irritable when it ran out or if a long line formed ahead of me. I always wanted more and I wanted it fast! I didn't even learn I had a limit until I spent hours sick one night.

I realize my reputation has plummeted when I get "the look," mostly from other females. At first my friends joked about my large consumption, but just recently they took it upon themselves to "intervene."

They said they knew all about my secret morning sneaks. Ashamed, I admitted the truth. My unchecked craving had become so enormous that I desired it at least three times every day. Sometimes I had four at one sitting. Technically, friends informed me, that meant I was bingeing.

I've realized that this is serious. I'm embarrassed to admit it, but if I'm not indulging in it, I'm often thinking about it. I don't want to be like this. It has been a waste of time, counterproductive, and occasionally humiliating.

That's why during Lent, I will muster all of my willpower and take an essential time out. Hopefully, I can reexamine who I really am and regain some control over my life.

So right now, I'm taking this opportunity to make a solemn vow that will make me a better person. I promise myself, my friends and classmates, that for 40 days, despite peer pressure or craving, I will abstain from every flavor and variety of frozen yogurt.

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

Committee to examine possible grade inflation problem

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.

As far as grades go, a B just isn't what it used to be — and at the University, that's raising a few eyebrows.

An analysis of the University's grades shows a steady climb in high marks over the last 10 years. During the next few months, a committee will look into rising grade point averages, an issue which plagues colleges and universities across the nation.

At Princeton, a report released this month documents a definite grade inflation trend. The average GPA rose to 3.42 in 1997 from 3.08 in 1973.

Similarly, the mean GPA at the University of Washington reached 3.12 in 1996, up from 2.31 in 1964. And at Stanford University, As and Bs make up 80 percent of the grades earned.

Compared to the higher grades at these schools, the university might be only at the doorstep of the grade infla-



tion problem. Reasons for the increases are difficult to pin down, and school officials are reluctant to offer concrete answers.

Possibilities include better academically prepared students, increasing instruction and grading by non-tenured professors, and changing philosophies about what grades measure.

A subcommittee of the university Senate's Committee on Educational Policy is examining whether grade inflation is a problem at the university.

"There have been concerns raised around the university for decades about the unreliability of the current grading structure," said Judith Martin, the subcommittee's chair.

By studying data from the registrar's office spanning several decades, members will attempt to find a concrete picture of the university's grade situation. They could have a report ready by the end of spring quarter.

Since 1989, the average fall quarter grade point average for university undergraduates has risen to 2.96 from 2.83.

"This isn't any monumental increase," said John Kellogg, a senior analyst in the Office of Planning and Analysis. But he added, "It's a definite trend."

And with that trend comes an increase in the percentages of As and Bs earned in several of the university's undergraduate colleges.

■ PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

NAACP rallies for removal of book

STATE COLLEGE, Penn.

Not everybody thinks a boy named Huck should be in school, so some people are trying to get him expelled — from reading lists. However, these efforts to take The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn off mandatory school reading lists have left many university teachers and students arguing for its right to stay. Earlier this month the state chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held press conferences across the state urging school districts to drop the novel from their mandatory reading lists. According to an NAACP resolution, the organization finds that the repeated use of racial slurs in the novel leads to well-documented psychological damage to African-American children's self-esteem, especially in the classroom. Reading the book should be optional, said Sandra Choute, president of the University chapter of the NAACP. "Students who find the book offensive should be able to read another book or be excused from class," Choute said.

■ YALE UNIVERSITY

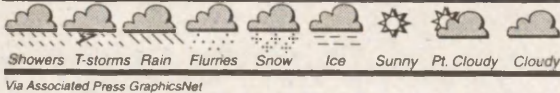
Grad student's forgery trial begins

NEW HAVEN, Conn.

Tonica Jenkins, a graduate student, accused in December of forging her application to Yale's Graduate School, will attend a pre-trial hearing in New Haven Superior Court Monday. Jenkins was arrested Dec. 8 after Yale's Graduate School conducted an internal investigation, looking into allegations that Jenkins fabricated her application and recommendations when applying to Yale's Biological and Biomedical Sciences program. She was charged with first degree larceny, second degree fraud, and attempting to escape custody. Jenkins pleaded innocent to these charges. If convicted, Jenkins could face up to 35 years in prison, said Yale Law professor Steven Duke, who added that Jenkins might only be sentenced with a year of probation if this is her first offense, after which her record would be expunged of any conviction. If this is a second offense, Duke said, a conviction could mean a year of imprisonment.

■ SOUTH BEND WEATHER

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Tuesday		48	33
Wednesday		50	34
Thursday		51	41
Friday		46	37
Saturday		50	36



■ UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Friends find body of missing student

TUCSON, Ariz.

Friends of Anton Bakker said his mother's intuition yesterday led them to his body two miles downstream from the 80-foot waterfall he tumbled over Sunday while trying to rescue a friend's dog. A friend spotted Bakker, University of Arizona economics senior, at 11:30 a.m. two miles downstream from Tanque Verde Falls, said Deputy Jim Ogden, Pima County Sheriff's Department spokesman. Friends, relatives and the Pima County Search and Rescue team have been searching for Bakker since Sunday night. "He probably dislodged and flushed out sometime during the night," Ogden said. "Two miles is quite a ways from the falls." No information regarding Bakker's injuries or cause of death was available, and as of yesterday afternoon, it had not been determined whether an autopsy would be performed. Ogden said. Max Webber, UA senior majoring in English, found Bakker, 22, lying halfway on a sandbar in the water.

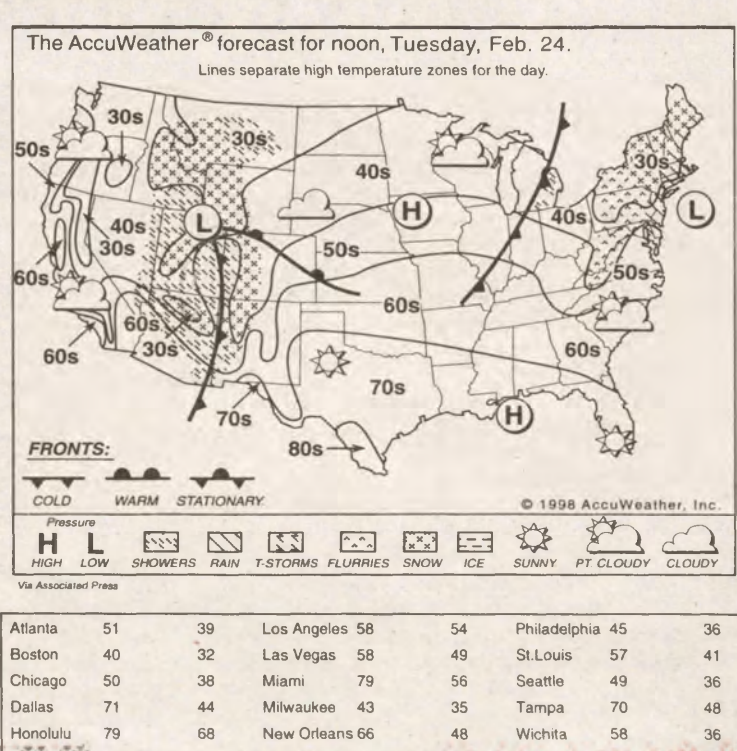
■ UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Police arrest former prof after standoff

ANN ARBOR, Mich.

A former university English professor, who fled the country more than 14 years ago with her boyfriend after police tried to arrest him on a weapon charge in Ann Arbor, was arrested and taken into custody Friday after a three-hour standoff with police in Lexington, Ky. Bob and Gayl Jones shut themselves in her family's house and eluded police for three hours Friday before officers stormed the doorway to present Jones with the 14-year-old warrant. Bob Jones slit his own throat when officers entered the house. He later died at the University of Kentucky Hospital. Gayl Jones attempted suicide, but officers restrained and arrested her. In 1983, Bob Jones, also known as Bob Higgins, waved a shotgun at protesters during a gay rights rally in front of the federal building on Liberty Street. Higgins, then a local business executive, was arrested on charges of a weapons violation with intent to frighten.

■ NATIONAL WEATHER



Runners help fight leukemia, other cancers with marathon

By ANNE MARIE
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In an effort to raise \$35 million for the support of research to cure leukemia and related cancers, over 15,000 people will participate in the Leukemia Society of America's first annual 26.2 mile Rock 'N' Roll Marathon in San Diego this June.

Almost one-third of the runners will be preparing for the race by participating in the

"Team In Training" program over the next few months.

"Team In Training" participants enter a five-month training program, during which they gear up for the marathon, which will be held on June 25. Notre Dame senior Colleen Henshaw, a program participant, plans to run in the California race.

"I've been running for leisure for about two years, and I read an article about 'Team In Training' in 'Runners' World.' I called the Chicago chapter and

signed up," Henshaw said.

"We started training in February and slowly progressed; now I can run eight to 10 miles," she explained.

Throughout the training period, runners and walkers gather sponsorship money from friends, relatives, and co-workers. The funds raised are used to support research in search of a cure for leukemia and its related cancers, lymphoma, multiple myeloma, and Hodgkin's disease.

"I'm raising \$3,000 for

leukemia research and aid to families," Henshaw said.

"Right now I'm trying to 'sell' my body parts — like arms and legs — to businesses at home so they sponsor me. When I 'sell' a part, like my arm, I write the business's name and phone number all over it, and they make a donation."

Other aspects of the training program include personal coaching, information clinics focusing on proper marathon attire, fund-raising incentives, and advice from a mentor.

"My mentor, Chris, is a man who has run the race before. He provides mental motivation. Since I can't make all the practices with the group in Chicago, he sends me e-mail about what they are doing. He's also taught me a lot about leukemia," Henshaw said.

Each runner in the marathon represents a "Patient Hero," a leukemia survivor or current patient. Henshaw's hero is five-year-old Emily Stone.

"It's neat that I'm running for Emily and that I know her. I don't know the pain she's feeling, but I know that I'm running and as tired as I get, I know that it'll never be as bad as what she's already been through. She's only five," she said.

Henshaw plans to run the marathon wearing a shirt on which she has written the names of several leukemia victims. She commented that since she began the training program, she has become more aware of how many lives are affected by leukemia, as well as the diversity of those working for the cure.

"There are men and women walking. There are 60-year-olds running. The people are all

ages, shapes, sizes, and speeds, but everyone's got the same goal," she said.

"A year ago I didn't know anything about marathons, and I didn't know anything about running except for putting my shoes on and going out. Now I run with a purpose," Henshaw explained.

Leukemia is a cancer of the blood that occurs as a result of the mutation of DNA. If this occurs in the bone marrow, the result is leukemia, and in the lymph nodes the result is lymphoma. These malignant cells are more able to grow and survive in the bone marrow, and begin to grow uncontrollably, replacing normal cells and inhibiting marrow function.

Leukemia can be either acute or chronic. The major difference between the two leukemias is the rate at which they progress; acute leukemia proceeds at a much greater speed than chronic. Which of these types develops is determined by the DNA mutation and the location of the malignant cells.

As leukemia proceeds, bone marrow functions less efficiently, resulting in an insufficient production of red cells, white cells, and platelets. This deficiency causes anemia, which leads to fatigue, weakness, and a pale color. Falling levels of white cells leave the patient more susceptible to disease, and the low platelet count permits spontaneous or prolonged bleeding from small wounds.

Diagnosis consists of a cell count under a microscope and confirmation by a bone marrow test. Current treatments of choice include chemotherapy and bone marrow transplants.

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Tuesday, February 24, 7:00 pm, Campus Ministry-Badin Office

Campus Bible Study

You are invited to study the scriptures during lent. This is one way to learn about the message of the Lord and what we as followers are expected to do. The study will be James' Letter.



Wednesday, February 25

Ash Wednesday



Friday-Saturday, February 27-28, St. Joe Hall

Freshmen Retreat #16

for residents of Alumni, Breen-

Phillips, Howard, Keough, Keenan, Lyons, McGlinn, Pasquerilla West and Sorin. Please see your rector or stop by Campus Ministry, 103 Hesburgh Library.

Application deadline: Tuesday, February 24.



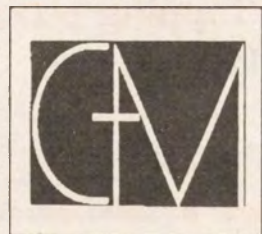
Friday-Saturday, February 27-28, Lindenwood Retreat Center

Learning To Talk About Race Retreat



Friday- Sunday, Feb. 27-March 1, Fatima Retreat Center

Notre Dame Encounter Retreat #50



Sunday, March 1, 11:45 am, Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Rejoice! Black Catholic Mass

Guest Celebrant: Rev. Edward Branch, Atlanta University Center

Voices of Faith and *Rejoice!* Gospel Choirs

Guest Conductor: Mr. Kevin Johnson, Univ. of Missouri-Kansas City

In progress, Hesburgh Library Concourse

"A Glimpse Into the Soul" - An Art Exhibit

The artwork of Belinda Bryant '01 and Alan Easter '01 will be on exhibit.

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■ WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Beef group aware of Oprah show lineup

AMARILLO, Texas

A spokeswoman for a beef industry trade association testified yesterday that far from being ambushed, the group knew it would be up against an anti-meat crusader on "The Oprah Winfrey Show." Alisa Harrison, a spokeswoman for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, said she approved of allowing specialist Gary Weber to debate vegetarian activist Howard Lyman over whether mad cow disease threatened U.S. cattle. "We can take Howard Lyman," Harrison wrote in notes that were entered as evidence. "Confidence in beef is high and we can keep it there. Our members watch Oprah, and if we're not there, they'll want to know why." A group of Texas cattlemen is suing Winfrey, her production company and Lyman for \$12 million, saying the April 16, 1996, episode falsely implied mad cow disease threatened U.S. cattle and caused cattle prices to plummet. Harrison took the stand as a witness for Winfrey. Weber has testified that the way his comments were edited in the show's final version was unfair.



Winfrey

Twenty-nine die in India election violence

NEW DELHI, India

Leftist guerrillas set off a mine Monday that killed five soldiers sent to guard polling stations in India's parliamentary elections. The explosion and other attacks raised the election-related death toll to 29 over two days. The soldiers were traveling to polling stations in Andhra Pradesh state, where voting in India's staggered nationwide elections picks up again Saturday. Another 37 soldiers were injured. Police suspect the outlawed Peoples War Group, who had urged a boycott of the vote. Balloting Monday in Nagaland and Mizoram, two remote northeastern states, was the third in a six-day election. The first two days, Feb. 16 and Sunday, completed voting for three-fourths of the 543 legislative districts at stake. More than 600 million Indians are eligible to vote. Tribal guerrillas seeking autonomy called for a boycott in Nagaland, supported by opposition parties and student groups. But election officials said turnout was nearly 42 percent. Also Monday, a court reinstated a right-wing Hindu nationalist government dismissed in Uttar Pradesh, India's largest state, over the weekend after two of its coalition partners withdrew support.

Market Watch: 2/23

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Composite Volume: 686,094,680

BIGGEST PERCENTAGE GAINERS

COMPANY	TICKER	% CHANGE	\$ GAIN	PRICE
ECOMAT INC	ECMT	61.54	1.000	2.63
TRUSTED INFO SYS	TISX	52.97	6.690	19.31
MOTORAC INC	MVAC	31.04	0.360	2.38
ENERGY BIOSYSTEMS	ENBC	30.30	0.625	2.69
CENTURY INDS	CIB	27.78	0.625	2.88

BIGGEST PERCENTAGE LOSERS

COMPANY	TICKER	% CHANGE	\$ LOSS	PRICE
TVG TECH	TVGF	1000.00	79.370	260.08
GILMAN & CO	GTAXW	19.19	19.190	5.00
STOCKER & YALE	STR	18.92	0.875	3.75
QUIGLEY CORP	QGLY	16.80	2.690	13.30
MORROW SNOBOARD	MRRW	15.52	0.563	3.06

Florida tornadoes kill 38, injure 250

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KISSIMMEE, Fla.

Florida's deadliest swarm of tornadoes on record plowed through the central part of the state at the height of tourist season on Monday, killing at least 38 people, including an 18-month-old toddler sucked from its father's arms. Eleven people were reported missing.

Rescue workers used bloodhounds to look for bodies in rubble-strewn neighborhoods.

"Debris is piled up so bad, it may take a while to find any survivors," said Doug Braswell, a spokesman for the Seminole County Public Safety Department.

A pickup truck ended up on its nose inside a wrecked living room and retirees lost nearly everything they had, but the six to 10 twisters missed Walt Disney World and the two other major theme parks in the Orlando area.

Curfews were set for dusk in the hardest-hit areas. More than 250 people were injured, including a 16-year-old girl who was blown 150 feet out of a window into a pasture.

David Myers had a broken foot after being hurled against a wall. "I'm just lucky to be alive. I've been thrown off of horses and out of airboats, but that's the hardest I've ever been slammed," he said.

The pink playhouse he built for his 6-year-old daughter, Brittany, lay in a pile amid the shattered glass of a bedroom window. Brittany was sent to stay with relatives while Myers and his wife and brothers cleaned up.

El Niño fueled the thunderstorms that blew in off the Gulf of Mexico just before midnight Sunday, spitting off tornadoes from the Tampa Bay area on the Gulf to Daytona Beach on the Atlantic Coast. Georgia also was affected, with floods closing roads and schools Monday after as much as five inches of rain fell Sunday.

In this retirement haven for thousands from the Midwest and Northeast, Josie Wolfe searched for her medicine amid the scraps of wood,

metal paneling and pink insulation that remained of her mobile home.

"It's all gone," cried Mrs. Wolfe, who moved from Dayton, Ohio, in 1983 with her husband, Ned. "This was our whole life. I'm 73 years old and you can't start over at 73. What good is it? You work so hard and now there's nothing. I wish it would've killed me."

She and her husband both escaped unharmed. She eventually found her medicine, along with her wallet containing \$4 she won at Bingo earlier that night.

One man was holding his 18-month-old baby in his arms in his mobile home near Kissimmee, about 15 miles south of Orlando, when a tornado roared through before dawn.

"The baby was in the father's arms, and it got sucked out into the tornado," said Osceola County Fire Chief Jeff Hall. The child's body was found by late afternoon; it wasn't immediately known if it was a boy or a girl.



AFP Photo

Several apartment complex buildings lie in ruins yesterday in Winter Garden, Fla., after tornadoes swept across the central region of the state. Officials have reported nearly 40 fatalities and continue a ground and aerial search for victims.

It was the deadliest round of tornadoes in Florida since the National Weather Service started keeping detailed records a half-century ago. And it was the state's most deadly day since Hurricane Andrew struck in 1992, killing at least 32 people in Florida, Louisiana and the Bahamas.

"The level of devastation I saw here is equal to Hurricane Andrew, even if in a more narrow area," said Jeff Hall, fire chief in Osceola County.

Some of the tornadoes may have had wind speeds as high as 210 mph, said Bob Ebaugh of the weather service.

More than 135,000 people in central Florida lost power at the height of the storms.

"To have that number of strong and violent tornadoes concentrated in a small geographical area is unprecedented for Florida. It is a historical event. It's of that caliber," meteorologist Dave Sharp said.

Clinton cautiously backs Iraq deal

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON

President Clinton gave cautious approval Monday to a U.N. agreement with Saddam Hussein for monitoring suspect weapons sites in Iraq, stepping back from the immediate threat of a U.S. military attack. Clinton said he would keep a potent force in the Persian Gulf.

The president said that if Iraq reneged on a commitment to make possible chemical and biological weapons sites subject to inspection, the consequences would be "very serious."

"What really matters ... is not what Iraq says but what it does," the president said in the White House Oval Office.

Although Clinton did not

mention U.N. economic sanctions that have wreaked havoc on the Iraqi economy, it was learned the agreement holds out the

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PRESIDENT CLINTON

promise they would be eased or lifted if Iraq complied totally with U.N. inspections.

Another gesture to Iraq in the accord, which U.N. Secretary-General Kofi

Annan reached Sunday in Baghdad with Saddam, was that the inspectors would be supplemented with a diplomatic contingent. Iraq

has contended that American inspectors are spies.

The diplomats would accompany inspectors to presidential complexes, which Saddam

has vigorously declared were his private preserve.

"There are details in the agreement that have to be fleshed out," Clinton said. Some may become clear after Annan returns

Tuesday to New York.

Then, Clinton said, "we need to test the agreement and verify that the commitments which are made in writing are kept in fact."

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said nothing Annan reported about the deal "would indicate that the United Nations has anything but unfettered capacity to continue its work."

Iraq's deputy prime minister, Tariq Aziz, who signed the accord with Annan, said in Baghdad, "It was diplomacy — wise, balanced United Nations, world diplomacy — that enabled us to reach this agreement."

But Annan, in comments more in line with the American view, said the deal was worked out with "diplomacy backed by firmness and force."

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for students and student activities," club coordinator Tony Siefring said.

"In the past there has been a big lack of money for clubs. Now they can put on more and bigger events," Siefring explained.

The new funding will be distributed in the same way as in years past. Every club will present a budget for review by the council, which will determine the amount each receives.

The condition that 50 percent of the new funding be directed toward student clubs was a crucial point in the approval of the increase by Student Affairs and the officer's group. In a letter to student body president Matt Griffin, vice president for Student Affairs Patricia O'Hara called that feature the "most persuasive" part of the proposal.

Part of the reason for an increase of only \$10, instead of the proposed \$15, was the range of programs sponsored by the University's operating budget. Major expenditures such as Dome, Scholastic magazine, WFVI and WSND are funded by Student Affairs, which has a separate budget from that of student government.

Intramural and club athletics are sponsored by RecSports. At many schools with higher student activities fees, student governments subsidize programs of that nature.

The \$65 student activity fee will come on top of a hall tax which averages \$40 and goes to fund a number of student activities run through the residence halls.

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dorm, Knott Hall, played integral roles in the service as well. His hallmates processed in preceding the clergy. Justin Sandberg and Matthew Kunz served as lectors while Knott Hall co-presidents Peter Cesaro and Matthew Jacques led the Intercessions.

"In a short time he had left a deep and lasting imprint on people's life," Father James Foster said of

Brumbaugh during the homily. Last week, Foster visited Brumbaugh's web page to find out "how he defined himself," and this served as the basis for his homily. He also talked to Brumbaugh's friends to get a

better idea of how people will remember him.

Upon viewing his web page, Foster found what Brumbaugh called his "words to live by." The phrase which conveyed Brumbaugh's love of sports was, "Always remember, today is a good day to play basketball."

Although Foster emphasized Brumbaugh's love for basket-

ball, he added that, "He was more than a basketball player. He worked hard in his studies and was at the top of his class. In the eyes of many, he was a model student, an ideal human being."

Brumbaugh's ability to tell a story was also remembered.

"He was a wonderful storyteller," Foster said. "People said he could read a phone book and make it funny."

The quality of being a good

**'I THINK IF THERE IS ANY
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friend was also mentioned in Foster's homily. He spoke of how people felt comfortable going to Brumbaugh with problems or with questions.

"Justin had the ability to meet with people where they were at and to connect with them," Foster said.

"He was genuine. He was grounded."

Foster closed his homily by recognizing Joyce and Keith Brumbaugh, Justin's parents, who attended the Mass.

"I want to thank you for sharing Justin with us. You will always be part of our Notre Dame community," Foster said.

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Computer center expands, gets new name

Special to The Observer

The name of the Notre Dame Computer Store has been changed to the "IT Solutions Center" — "IT" signifying "information technology" — to reflect an expansion of both the product selection and services the store offers to University students, faculty and staff, according to Larry Rapagnani, assistant provost for Information Technologies.

In coming months, the store, which previously sold and supported just Dell, Apple and IBM computers, will expand its system selection and add staff.

"The new name is part of our effort in

Information Technologies to become more than just a computer department," Rapagnani said. "We plan to use our campuswide purchasing power to add a broader selection from more PC vendors, and we are adding personnel to improve our response time on campus. All of this, we believe, will enable us to offer better value to Notre Dame students, faculty, staff and departments."

Concurrent with these changes is the appointment of Dan Brewer as manager of the IT Solutions Center. Brewer has worked for 12 years in the computer products and services field and has extensive experience with hardware and software

vendors including IBM, Zenith, Apple, Novell, Corel, Compaq, Hewlett-Packard and Microsoft.

"Dan has managed staffs of marketing, technical and administrative personnel in four states," Rapagnani said. "He has developed many vendor relationships, created contracts, established policies and set standards for products and services. He supports a team atmosphere and is committed to high customer service, values and ethics."

The IT Solutions Center is located on the ground level of the Computing Center and Math Building and is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

GOP halts campaign reform bill

Associated Press

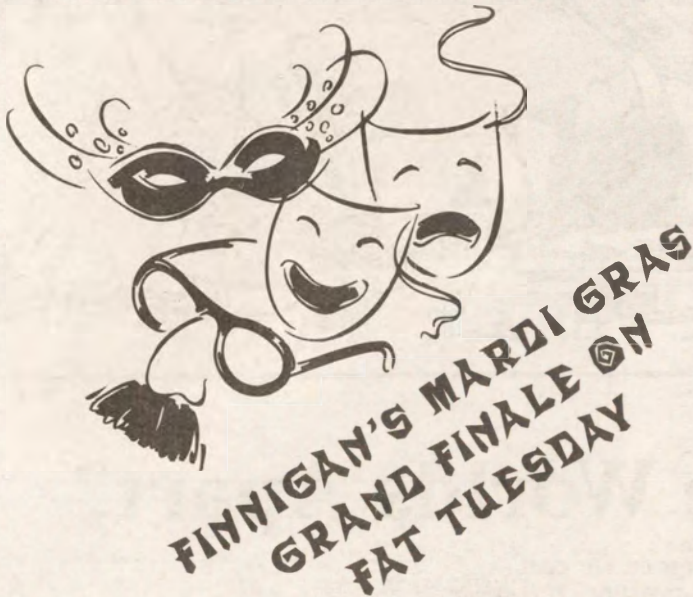
WASHINGTON

Advocates of an overhaul of the nation's scandal-scarred campaign finance system renewed their crusade in the Senate on Monday, but conceded they lack the muscle to overcome a Republican-led filibuster.

"As far as I can tell that's just not there yet," said Sen. Joseph Lieberman, a Connecticut Democrat who served on the panel that investigated questionable practices in the 1996 presidential campaign. "Right now, we don't have the 60 votes."

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott made clear he won't permit the bill to linger long on the floor. "We have a lot of things to do and we don't have a lot of time," the Mississippi Republican told reporters shortly before debate began. "I don't see it going beyond the end of the week."

The measure, drafted by GOP Sen. John McCain of Arizona and Democratic Sen. Russ Feingold of Wisconsin, would ban unregulated "soft money" to national political parties from corporations, labor unions and individuals. It also would provide fresh curbs on advertisements that attack candidates but escape regulation because they are presented as "issue ads" not covered by existing election law.



TONIGHT AT FINNIGAN'S

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Courage and Hope for the Homosexual Person

"Few people in the United States have dedicated themselves more generously or wholeheartedly to the pastoral care of homosexual persons than has Father John F. Harvey...Courage has proved vitally helpful to enormous numbers of individuals in need, a program that has my total support and for which I am deeply grateful."

-- John Cardinal O'Connor
Archbishop of New York

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Fr. Harvey has spent 38 years specializing in the pastoral care of homosexual persons. He is founder and director of Courage. Courage offers a network of spiritual support groups for men and women with homosexual tendencies who desire to live chaste lives. Courage chapters now serve six Canadian and 29 U.S. dioceses, as well as others in the Philippines, England, and Ireland.

In addition to his 1985 book, *The Homosexual Person: New Thinking in Pastoral Care*, Fr. Harvey has recently authored *The Truth About Homosexuality: The Cry of the Faithful* (1996), which Fr. Benedict Groeschel has described as "an excellent summary of the most solid thinking available at the present time on living chastely with homosexuality." In addition to these two titles, he has published over 45 articles on homosexuality, with one forthcoming on "The Pastoral Challenge of Homosexuality on a Catholic Campus."

Fr. Groeschel writes: "A word of respectful gratitude must be said about Father John Harvey, who has effectively and modestly worked with homosexuals seeking a chaste lifestyle for almost half a century. He has had more than his share of opposition, rejection, and misunderstanding on all sides. Being a real disciple of Christ, he never quit. He has never even thought of quitting. He was and remains way ahead of his time."

Fr. Harvey will address both the challenge and the hope of being a Christian with homosexual tendencies.

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TABLE TALK

Humans and Apes: Are We Worlds Apart?

Science, it seems, seeks to close two gaps: One between us and God, the other between us and animals. Already this year the latter gap has closed significantly.

David Weiss



Scientists recently announced that while examining the brains of chimpanzees that had died of natural causes, they uncovered physical evidence in the brain structures themselves of "specialized functions" in the same part of the brain that governs human speech. This is now supported by other research with MRI scans of living chimps — and perhaps soon by PETs (dynamic "real-time" brain scans) which could link activity in this part of the brain to linguistic tasks the chimps are actually performing at that time.

Moving beyond earlier controversial work in which chimps had been "taught" sign-language, studies criticized as merely demonstrating the remarkable mimicry of our close primate cousins, these brain studies are less susceptible to subjective bias.

Another study claims to identify clear, intentional (not instinctive) trail markings by bonobos (close relatives to chimps) in the wild. This might suggest that when lab chimps are "taught" linguistic tasks whether through sign language or hieroglyph-like symbols, it is less that we are "teaching" them anything new than that we are confirming for ourselves what they already do quite well without us. This possibility poses a number of provocative questions.

If apes *are* capable of linguistic communication, even if only on a rudimentary level, what ethics should nevertheless guide our interaction with them, in the lab and in the wild? If they can fashion and symbolize meaning, do they acquire a new moral standing as lab subjects or indigenous dwellers? To what extent are we responsible for seeking to communicate our intentions to them? To elicit their consent? Or to understand their perceptions and desires regarding us?

Christians may feel especially unnerved if we must admit that the very skill which we have prided ourselves on sharing solely with God has been (and for some time, no doubt)

CHRISTIANS MAY FEEL ESPECIALLY UNNERVED IF WE MUST ADMIT THAT THE VERY SKILL WHICH WE HAVE PRIDED OURSELVES ON SHARING SOLELY WITH GOD HAS BEEN ... QUIETLY SHARED BY OUR UNASSUMING NEMESIS ... THE APE.

quietly shared by our unassuming nemesis in the whole creation-evolution debate, the ape. We may find further threatened the tenaciously held belief that we are somehow utterly superior to — that we sit *outside and above* the animal kingdom, in a category unique to ourselves, called "dominion." Ironically, however, Christians also have perhaps the greatest resources for embracing a newfound fellowship with our terrestrial companions.

Genesis 9:8-17, the epilogue to the Flood account records God making a the covenant of protection — and it is noted five times, almost anticipating a

certain stubbornness on our part — "with *every living creature*." If God can make a covenant with apes, we might welcome a linguistic bridge by which to better exercise our own imitation of God.

Revelation 5:13 describes the choir which praises Jesus in heaven as comprised of "every creature in the air and on the earth and under the earth and in the sea" — precisely the creatures over which (according to Genesis 1:26-28) we hold dominion. If apes are to join us in the heavenly choir, why begrudge them the use of language toward this end? Might we not rather welcome this as an opportunity to learn to sing in harmony with them?

Plentiful examples from the biblical or church tradition witness to the perception that God takes special delight in and offers particular care to many in the animal kingdom beyond humans. At our best, when driven neither by pride nor fear, we Christians have been able to say simply that apes are creatures who, alongside us, receive the blessing and the love of God.

I doubt that chimps will directly verbalize any dramatic theological or scientific insights in any cross-species chats. But indirectly, the very fact that we can potentially engage in them might remind us of a kinship with the rest of creation that is at once more humble and more scared than any we have yet imagined.

"Perfection, in a Christian sense, means becoming mature enough to give ourselves to others." — Kathleen Norris, *Christian Century*, Feb. 18, 1998.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

'If men could get pregnant, abortion would be a sacrament.'

—Florynce Kennedy

■ So, What's My Point?

Overpaid Athletes Behave Like Children

The only term that comes to mind is "spoiled brats." Along with petty, rude, uncivilized, shallow, arrogant, conceited, boorish and just plain stupid.

**Nakasha
Ahmad**

In case you haven't guessed, I'm talking about the U.S. men's ice hockey team, which, though expected to win the gold medal — or at least any medal — were shut out of the race completely. Instead, the Czech Republic got the gold.

So what did the U.S. players do? They decided to trash their rooms and then get the heck out of Nagano. What ever happened to good sportsmanship?

The U.S. team's loss was all the more unexpected in that most of the members of the team were highly-paid professional players and members of the NHL. They went to Nagano, not in the spirit of the games, but to win because they felt that they had deserved it. And when they didn't get what they "deserved," they decided to act like ... well, like 5-year-olds with severe temper tantrums.

Actually, I think if we'd sent 5-year-olds to Japan, they might have been better-behaved.

Maybe the fact that they were highly-paid professionals made them so confident that they not only would, but should win the gold. In the past few years, it has been highly-paid athletes who have been increasingly more spoiled and petty. Highly-paid athletes brought us the baseball strike of 1994 (which was basically about millionaire players battling with millionaire owners in a hotly contested and riveting race to see, not who would get to the World Series, but who would get the cash cow), and more recently, the Mike Tyson incident (ear cartilage — the new power food?) and the Latrell Sprewell choking incident. Along, of course, with other events.

Is there something about money which just makes people rude?

The amount of money that we as Americans give to athletes who can make phenomenal three-pointers and hit home runs is, well, insane. We only give the President of the United States of America \$200,000 a year, but any NBA player probably makes about five times that sum. At the very least, that is.

Actually, very few professions can generate the kind of money that acting and professional athletics can get. Professors, who are probably the most educated of all the people in America, get paid squat for passing their knowledge on to us. Other professions, like engineering, while they get paid well, can't even begin to compare their salaries to the ones that professional athletes receive.

And what makes this gap all the more noticeable is that this isn't just a professional phenomenon. In my high school, the best facilities and the most attention and appreciation were given to the sports teams, while the academic extra-curricular activities were given next to nothing.

In college (read a place of higher learning), this difference gets even worse. How many people are given full college scholarships based solely on merit (i.e. academic merit)? Very few that I have heard about. On the other hand, I know quite a few people who have received full sports scholarships for their talent in athletics.

I realize that the basic reason for this is that while sports players generate money through ticket sales, good students don't make any money for their school. We'll pay quite a bit of money to watch Michael Jordan make a three-pointer, but would anyone want to pay the same amount (or any amount, for that matter) to watch the Democrats and Republicans battling over policy in the House?

Probably not.

That is why I've come to a solution: Turn the House into one big basketball court, charge admission, and have the Dems and the GOP battle out policy issues while trying to make shots — any kind of shots — from the court.

And, hey, if we're lucky, we might even get Gingrich and Gephardt to bite each other's ears off.

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■ GUEST COLUMN

Bishops Send Wrong Message

Editor's note: Father John Harvey, founder of the homosexual support group Courage, will be speaking at Notre Dame on Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 8 p.m. in the Library Lounge. On Oct. 1, 1997, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Marriage and the Family issued a letter entitled "Always Our Children," addressed to the parents of persons with homosexual inclinations. The following is the pastoral response of Harvey.

The pastoral message "Always Our Children" manifests compassionate understanding of persons with homosexual tendencies, and their parents and siblings. It is theologically sound on the morality of homosexual acts, and its broad message is that parents should love their children who struggle with homosexual tendencies, while not accepting homosexual behaviour. In a spirit of love, however, I feel I must offer the following observations and suggestions, in the hope that our pastoral response can be strengthened.

The use of the terms "gay" and "lesbian," and the distortion of the term "orientation" give the public the impression that the homosexual condition is fixed and permanent. There is much scientific and empirical evidence to the contrary. Men and women who sincerely desire to develop their heterosexual potential should not be in ignorance of the opportunities for help to move toward their God-given masculinity or femininity. We do not say that every individual who makes such an effort will be able to complete the journey, but he should at least be given the knowledge that many people have been able to do so. In this effort, the primary goal will always remain the practice of interior chastity, which is nothing else but Gospel purity of heart.

It is inadvisable for one to identify oneself as "gay" or "lesbian," moreover, because it gives the impression that one's homosexual orientation is his or her most important characteristic. In this regard, the 1986 Letter from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith says that "the human person, made in the image and likeness of God, can hardly be adequately described by a reductionist reference to his or her sexual orientation."

Sexuality is a gift of God expressed in the unitive and procreative good of marriage. The document "Always Our Children" very correctly points out that homogenital behaviour is objectively immoral, because only in the two-in-one-flesh union of a man and woman in marriage is sexual activity moral, and because homogenital behaviour is not open to the possible creation of human life. The document also correctly distinguishes between homogenital behaviour and homosexual orientation. In this regard, while the document correctly points out that the homosexual orientation is not in itself immoral, it neglects to mention that the homosexual orientation is objectively disordered (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Letter to the Roman Catholic Bishops of the World, sect. 3).

Instead, it says that "sexuality is a gift from God" and then goes on to quote the Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2333: "Everyone ... should acknowledge and accept his sexual identity." The idea conveyed is that homosexuality is also a gift from God, and should be accepted as one's fixed and permanent identity; however, the actual quote from the Catechism, "Everyone, man and woman, should acknowledge and accept his sexual identity," is part of a paragraph describing the complementarity of man and woman in married life and in soci-

ety. It is incorrect to use this quote as a justification that one should accept his or her homosexuality as a fixed state or as a permanent and defining "identity." With regard to sexuality, it is generally more accurate to speak of "sexual attraction" rather than "sexual identity." The conviction that a sexual attraction is a stable or "fundamental dimension of one's personality" has no support from Catholic teaching.

The 1986 Letter to the Bishops of

protect the child from immoral and dangerous behaviour.

Given the epidemic of sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV disease, among male homosexuals, advising parents to adopt a "wait and see attitude" to same-sex experimentation among adolescents is an invitation to tragedy. If the male child has been involved in homosexual behaviour, he ought to be immediately tested, because in several large cities, a significant number of youth who were involved in homosexual activity became HIV positive. New studies show that 9 percent of homosexually active males aged 20 to 22 are already HIV positive. The earlier a boy becomes involved in same-sex behavior, the more likely he will become HIV positive or infected with other possibly fatal sexually transmitted diseases such as hepatitis and human papilloma virus. The document seems to imply, moreover, that "experimenting with some homosexual behaviors as part of the process of coming to terms with sexual identity" is part of a normal developmental process. On the contrary, adolescents should be discouraged from experimenting with illicit sexual behavior — whether it be homosexual or heterosexual — for such behavior is both immoral and futile. When seeking professional help, the parents should choose a knowledgeable counselor who respects the moral teaching of the Church.

The document's definition of chastity is inadequate, moreover, in stating that "chastity means integrating one's thoughts, feelings, and actions in the area of human sexuality, in a way that values and respects one's own dignity and that of others." One can easily imagine an argument that one can "integrate" the "thoughts, feelings, and actions" that stem from one's "innate" homosexual orientation "in a way that values and respects one's own dignity." Indeed the document seems to leave the field open for such an argument. This is clearly inferior to the definition of chastity offered by the Catechism at 2337: "Chastity means the successful integration of sexuality within the person and thus the inner unity of man in his bodily and spiritual being. Sexuality, in which man's belonging to the bodily and biological world is expressed, becomes personal and truly human when it is integrated into the relationship of one person to another, in the complete and lifelong mutual gift of a man and a woman." Why avoid such clarity in favour of such ambiguity?

When the document speaks of "the power and freedom of sexuality" as "gifts of God," it would be helpful to show the relationship between freedom and truth, as our present Holy Father does in *Veritatis Splendor*, and contrast it with the "slavery to sin" which is experienced by those who are trapped in the cycle of compulsive behaviour so prevalent among those who are involved in illicit sexual activity. This would be an opportunity to show how the power of grace can overcome any human weakness. As St. Paul tells us: "The trials that you have to bear are no more than people normally have ... You can trust God not to let you be tried beyond your strength, and with any trial he will give you a way out of it, and the strength to bear it" (1 Corinthians, 10: 13; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11).

While recognizing the hard work of the authors of "Always Our Children" and the sense of compassion they conveyed, I believe that in the areas mentioned the document stands in need of substantive revision.

the Catholic Church on the Pastoral Care of Homosexual Persons (PCHP) warned that, in some cases, "an overly benign interpretation was given to the homosexual condition itself, some going so far as to call it neutral or even good." Homosexuality, however, as the CDF has stated, is "objectively disordered" because it urges a person, not toward the inherent good of marriage and procreation, but toward sinful conduct. The document "Always Our Children" in several places fails to make this clear, and may cause uninformed persons to conclude that homosexuality is a normal variant of sexual development, something which is contrary to the explicit statements in the catechism and in the Vatican pastoral letters of 1976, 1986, and 1992.

The document quotes the following phrase: "homosexuals who are definitively such because of some kind of innate instinct," from the 1975 Declaration on Certain Questions Concerning Sexual Ethics. This phrase is an inaccurate translation of the Latin quasi innatus, which would be better translated: "as if innate." The first Italian edition of the Catholic Catechism which used the word "innate" in describing the homosexual orientation was revised. Cardinal Ratzinger explained the reason for the change: "One objection was that we made people think homosexual tendency was innate, that it was already present at the moment of birth or conception of the person. Many competent experts said that this has not been proven."

In addressing how a parent should deal with an adolescent who is confused about his sexual identity, the document says, "If your son or daughter is an adolescent, it is possible that he or she may be experimenting with some homosexual behaviours as part of the process of coming to terms with sexual identity. Isolated acts do not make someone homosexual. Adolescence is often accompanied by anxiety or confusion about sexual identity. Sometimes the best approach may be a 'wait and see' attitude, while you try to maintain a trusting relationship and provide various kinds of support, information and encouragement."

This "wait and see" attitude, however, could be very dangerous. If someone is attracted to drugs or to alcohol, we do not accept that attraction as a given, or indicate that it is beyond their power to reject. The truth is that we are dealing with an objective disorder within the person. The parent should do everything possible to help the youth to move away from this particular attraction, and from the surroundings which encourage him to act out. If pastors are going to advise parents concerning homosexuality, they should remind parents that their first obligation is to

BLACK HISTORY IS A

■ ACCENT ASKS...

Do you think there should be a Black History Month?



"Yes, I think so. It's a good idea to learn about other people's cultures as well as your own. Although I'd like to see other months focusing on other ethnicities as well."

*Sean Leonard
Junior, St. Edward's Hall*

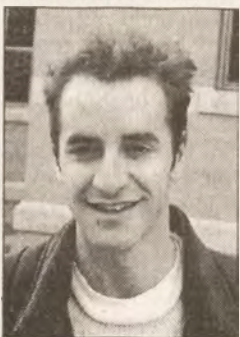
"I think that there should be a Black History Month to make sure people remember what important African-Americans have accomplished in the past and present."

*Shannon Lacy
Freshman, Cavanaugh Hall*



"I think there should be. It's a good way to raise awareness of the contributions of black Americans. They are too often left out of our history books and classes."

*Justin Crawford
Law Student,
Fischer Graduate Residence*



"I don't think it's the ideal answer to the exclusion of the important history of African-Americans. I think black history needs to be incorporated into the overall curriculum so that it's more than just a month."

*Kelly Smith
Junior, Off-Campus*



"Yeah, there's a lot of history to it and a lot of individuals who could have been forgotten that should be remembered."

*Raul Endara
Sophomore, Knott*



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WHY BLACK HI

■ ACCENT SPEAKS

By NIKOLE HANNAH
Accent Writer
and ANDREA JORDAN
Assistant Accent Editor

Notice anything about February except that the weather is unseasonably warm? It's Black History Month, but bet you could not tell. That is probably because just like most of black history, it is ignored by the majority of Americans. It's funny that everyone on this campus seems to know when it's Groundhog Day or Columbus Day among other insignificant holidays but Black History Month just passes this campus by like the wind off Lake Michigan. Could it be that this occurs because black people have no history or culture, or could it be because Blacks have historically been denied their rightful place in American history?

One might ask why do we need a whole month for black history? They might argue, "If we have a Black History Month, what about a White History Month?" Let us contemplate this. The majority of holidays celebrated by white America in all actuality do not apply to black Americans. For instance, let's look at the holiday of Independence Day. For many Americans this is perhaps the greatest national holiday that this country celebrates. This is the day when the liberty-loving colonists won freedom from the tyrannical rule of the British.



Photo courtesy of "Four Centuries of Black Life: African American History"
Malcolm X

Black Americans fought valiantly beside their white counterparts; in fact the first casualty of the Revolution was Crispus Attucks, a black man. Blacks fought with the hope that by fighting for their country they would be freed from the bonds of slavery. However, after the war was won by the colonists, these very whites who had risked their lives in the name of freedom, justice and liberty continued to enslave the same people who had helped them achieve this independence. Yet, America expects blacks to ignore this minor detail and celebrate the Fourth of July as if they had gained freedom on this day. The Fourth of July should not be looked upon by blacks as a day to be joyous, but should be looked

upon with disgust because it serves as a reminder of yet another time when their ancestors laid their lives on the line for a freedom that they would not share.

Okay, Independence Day, that is one holiday that is not much cause for celebration for blacks. Let's try Presidents Day. Presidents Day is a celebration of America's forefathers George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Are they the forefathers of black people one may ask? Well, maybe Washington because he was probably sleeping with his slaves. But seriously, how can black Americans celebrate the very people who practiced and condoned slavery? It should be common knowledge that Washington owned slaves. "But what about good old Abe, he freed the slaves with



Marcus Garvey

Photo courtesy of "Four Centuries of Black Life: African American History"

the Emancipation Proclamation," you might say. Yes he did eventually free the enslaved, but not in the Emancipation Proclamation, and when he did free the slaves it was for his own selfish purposes. He was a firm believer in the inferiority of blacks. The Emancipation only freed those slaves in states that had seceded from the Union and not those from the states that remained in the Union. So,

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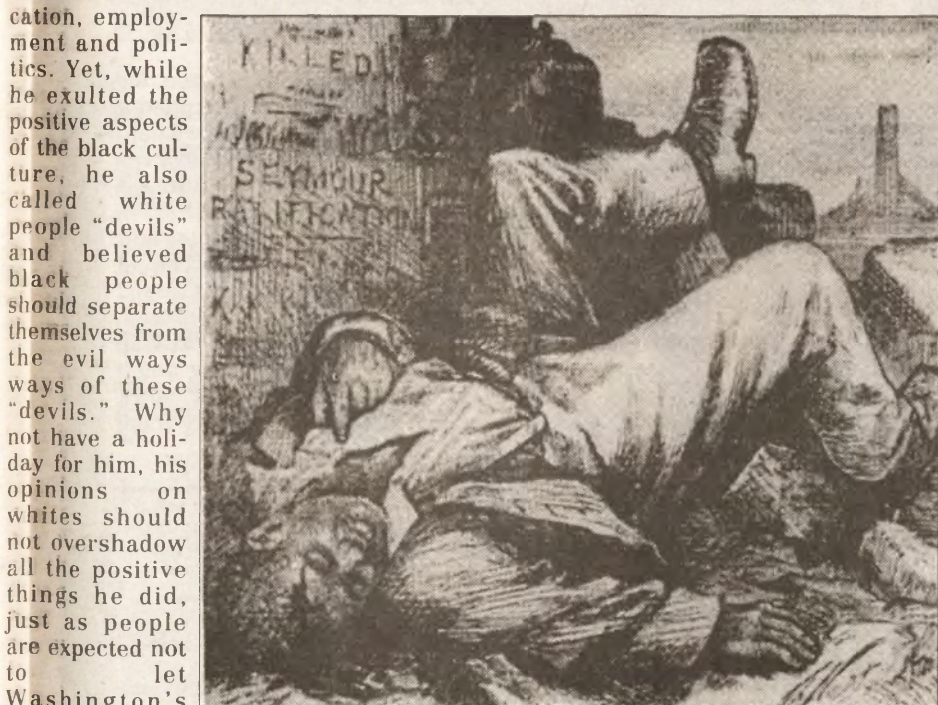
in essence, he was freeing slaves under a foreign government. How could he free slaves that were not under his jurisdiction? Answer: He could not. He did not care if blacks were slaves, he just wanted to preserve the Union. It should be somewhat difficult for blacks to be jubilant about someone who kept their ancestors enslaved. By asking blacks to ignore these facts, America is asking them to disregard their heritage. Therefore, Presidents Day is yet another holiday that should be more painful for blacks than one that evokes pride and nationalism.

For those of you who still believe that Black History Month is not relevant even though many of these holidays could evoke feelings of pain and injustice for a large segment of the population, then why not explore other options for national holidays? By doing this maybe one's opinion will change when the shoe is on the other foot.

Blacks are asked to ignore the racist sentiment underlying these holidays because they were good for the country. Are blacks not part of this country? Well, of course they are. Then why not celebrate days that were beneficial for them and their ancestors? For instance, how about Nat Turner Day? Turner was a slave who believed that God called him to lead his people from the bonds of slavery. He led an uprising and killed 55 whites before his battle for freedom was ended.

Now maybe some blacks would view Turner as a hero because, just like the colonists in the American Revolution, he fought bravely for the liberty of his people. Under this context, these whites were just casualties that come with any fight for freedom. Or, maybe whites would view this event as a massacre, as it is labeled in history books, because it was their people who were killed. Everyone, at least one would hope, knows that slavery was wrong so this struggle against a practice so contradictory to the values of this country should be viewed with pride. But it is doubtful that there will be a holiday celebrating Nat Turner because it is unlikely that white Americans can look past the fact that whites were killed by black man, even if it was justified. Yet, America asks blacks to do this exact thing.

Maybe Nat Turner Day is not palatable to some, but how about someone a little more modern, like Malcolm X. He was another great American hero, was he not? He inspired pride and unity in the black community. Malcolm X advocated self-reliance in education, employment and politics. Yet, while he exulted the positive aspects of the black culture, he also called white people "devils" and believed black people should separate themselves from the evil ways of these "devils." Why not have a holiday for him, his opinions on whites should not overshadow all the positive things he did, just as people are expected not to let Washington's owning slaves overshadow his great accomplishments.



A cartoon of a murdered black man in Richmond, Virginia, with the letters "K.K.K." scratched on the wall.

Illustration courtesy of "Four Centuries of Black Life: African American History"

There will be no need for Black History Month if America starts celebrating other great American people and events that are not just for whites such as Martin Delaney, Marcus Garvey, and the passing of the 13th Amendment which abolished slavery (Black Independence Day).

Black History Month is not just a month isolated from the rest of America who is not black. Black history is American history. Blacks have been in this country as long or longer than any whites, they have fought in every war that this country has been engaged in — even while being denied the very freedom for which they fought. Black people are at the core of the very foundation of this country and have contributed many inventions, discoveries and literatures that have become what is known as the American culture.

Continually the achievements of blacks have gone unnoticed. For centuries their creativities and inventions were stifled and stolen by the whites who oppressed them. Without black history the true and accurate history of America cannot be told. Until this history is told then we must keep Black History Month to bring these past and present struggles to light to acknowledge the many contributions of blacks in this country.

"Lift ev'ry voice and sing, / Till earth and heaven ring, / Ring with the harmonies of liberty; / Let our rejoicing rise / High as the list'ning skies, / Let it resound loud as the rolling sea. / Sing a song / full of the faith that the dark past has taught us, / Sing a song / full of the hope that the present has brought us; / Facing the rising sun / Of our new day begun, / Let us march on till victory is won."

The Black National Anthem

Little-Known Black History Facts

By NIKOLE HANNAH
Accent Writer

*African coastal people were great navigators and had visited, traded with, and settled in indigenous communities in Central and South America hundreds of years before Columbus accidentally stumbled upon the shores.

*Granville T. Woods invented railroad telegraphy in 1887 which allowed messages to be sent between moving trains, and from trains to railroad stations, which prevented serious accidents and loss of life. He also invented the third rail systems used in subways in 1896, and automatic brakes in 1901.

*Lewis Latimer patented a superior carbon filament for Edison's light bulb in 1882.

*Garret Morgan invented the gas mask in 1914 and the traffic light in 1923.

*Dr. Percy Julian invented synthetic cortisone.

*Dr. Daniel William performed the world's first successful open heart surgery in 1893. He accomplished this great feat without the benefit of X-rays, blood transfusion, and antibiotics because these had not been discovered yet. He also founded the first interracial U.S. hospital, and introduced the training of black nurses and interns in the U.S.

*Dr. Charles Drew perfected the technique of preserving plasma and made blood banks possible, saving thousands of lives during World War II.

*York, a slave of William Clark, was the first to reach the mouth of the Colombian River in the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

*Ethiopia is the oldest Christian nation in the world.

*Kemet, meaning "black land," was the name of ancient Egypt.

*Paul R. Williams designed the Grave of the Unknown Soldier.

*Jean Baptiste Pointe du Sable was the first permanent settler of Chicago.

*The 13th Amendment to the Constitution abolished slavery in the U.S. in 1865, long after slavery was abolished in the rest of the Western world.

*Matthew Henson was the first to reach the North Pole.

*Pedro Alonzo Nino navigated the Santa Maria on Columbus' first voyage to the New World.

*Thomas Jefferson had an affair with at least one of his slaves and fathered children by her.

*Edward Bouchet was the first black to earn a doctorate of science. In 1876 he earned his degree in physics from Yale.

*Alice Parker received a patent for a gas heating furnace in 1918.

*Ozzie Williams invented rockets, which allowed the Apollo 13 crew to steer its spacecraft safely back to earth.

*Dr. Benjamin Carson earned worldwide recognition for his part in the separation of siamese twins. The operation took five months of planning and 22 hours of actual operating.

*Dr. Lucas Santomee became the first African American physician in 1667.

*Slaves could not receive patents before the Civil War. Therefore, masters received the patents, giving many slave owners credit for inventions that they did not invent.

■ MEN'S SWIMMING

Fourth place finish disappoints

By MATT YUNG
Sports Writer

After a long and fruitful journey, the Irish swimming team finally completed its 1997-98 season with the culminating Big East Championships in Pittsburgh. Entering the Big East Championships, the Irish had an outstanding 11-1 record in the regular season, their only loss coming at the hands of Texas Christian in early November. This was the team's best season since going 12-1 in 1989-90 and the season's success carried over into the championship meet. In each of their past two appearances, Notre Dame finished seventh out of 13 teams, which was a higher finish than other teams expected. At this year's meet, however, the Irish caught everyone's attention with their impressive fourth place finish.

"The meet was a dream for us," head coach Tim Welsh said. "We were seventh the last two years and hoped to move up in the standings, but to move to fourth was a giant step for us. It took everyone to reach fourth."

On Wednesday, the first day of competition, sophomore diver Herb Huesman placed fourth in the three-meter diving, scoring 480.75, finishing behind three Miami divers. Notre Dame's 200-medley relay (Chris Fugate, Steele Whowell, Rob Fetter, and Russell Preston) also earned a fourth-place finish with a time of 1:33.29, breaking the seven-year-old school record of 1:33.49 and giving the Irish their highest relay finish in three Big East appearances.

"It's been a really, really good season," said sophomore Rob Fetter. "We got a lot of wins, which is always a lot of fun. We'll train this spring and summer and get back into the swing of things and do pretty well next year."

The 200 freestyle relay team (Mike Doyle, Ron Royer, Vince Kuna, and Ray Fitzpatrick) finished seventh in 1:23.54. Miami dominated day one with 121 points, but the Irish remained close in fourth place with 69 points, only two points behind second-place St.

John's.

On the second day of competition, the 400-meter medley relay (Fugate, Whowell, Scott Zumbach, and Fetter) sped through the water in a 3:22.87 effort, breaking the five-year-old record of 3:23.93. Fugate was instrumental in the race, leading off with a school-record 100 backstroke time of 51.81. Later, Fugate would use his talents to place third in the 200 individual medley with a time of 1:51.18. Fetter followed in eighth place at 1:54.00. In a familiar performance, Huesman finished fourth in the one-meter diving with 471.10 points, trailing only the Miami divers. Huesman, who will continue to train for the NCAA zone diving meet over spring break, was pleased with the meet, "Hopefully it will be a good building block for the NAAs."

Senior Ron Royer finished 10th in the 50 freestyle in 21.09 and another school record was broken when John Lubker powered to the wall in the 500 freestyle in a mere 4:31.41.

"I finally got under 21 seconds," said Royer, who swam a personal best of 20.98 in the preliminaries.

"This was a great night for us," said head coach Welsh. "Three school records fell and we are swimming extremely well."

The day's strong performance moved the Irish past St. John's, but Pittsburgh overtook Notre Dame, keeping the Irish in fourth place.

Friday's competition was intense, with the meet half over and each event becoming more vital to the team's finish. The 400 individual medley was one race in which the Irish collected a healthy serving of points. Zumbach placed third and broke his own school record with a time of 3:58.44. At his heels were teammates Ryan Verlin in fifth in 4:00.54, and Lubker in ninth in 4:03.20. The 100 breaststroke was another strong event for the Irish. Whowell finished 10th in 57.41 and was followed by Dan Szilier in 13th with a time of 57.93 and Antonio Fonseca in 15th in a time of 58.25.

Fugate finished ninth in the 100 backstroke and set a school record with a blazing 51.55. The 800 freestyle relay (Royer, Wes Richardson, Brian Najarian, and Fitzpatrick) finished fifth in 6:49.76. Fetter placed 14th in the 100 butterfly in 51.30, Fitzpatrick placed fifth in the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:40.52, and Fugate and Preston finished eighth and 15th in the 100 backstroke with respective times of 51.55 and 53.32. Notre Dame again finished the day in fourth place.

The final day of competition displayed a stellar performance by the Irish distancers. Lubker finished second in the 1650 freestyle and set a new school record. Lubker was closely followed by freshman phenom James Scott-Browne in third place, Sean Casey in 13th, and Richardson in 14th.

Fugate took 13th in the 200 backstroke and Fitzpatrick and Fetter placed 11th and 13th, respectively, in the 100 freestyle. The tandem of Szilier and Whowell placed sixth and 11th in the 200 breaststroke, and Zumbach and Verlin placed fifth and 10th in the 200 butterfly. The 400 freestyle relay (Royer, Preston, Fetter, and Fitzpatrick) placed 10th with a time of 3:08.91.

With the best season finish for any current Irish swimmer, the Irish now have the opportunity to build upon their success with off-season training. Seniors Brian Najarian, Ron Royer, Steve Cardwell, and Slade Stolz now pass the torch to the rest of the team with undaunted confidence in them and coach Tim Welsh.

Royer, who attended high school with teammate Najarian commented, "Now that's it's over, I'm just glad we could end with a successful season. In high school, we [Royer and Najarian] came into a not-so-good program, but left it with a championship. The same type of thing happened at Notre Dame. When we came here, the program wasn't as strong as it is now, and it was a relief to come out the way we did my senior year."

■ WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Sales out for season with ruptured Achilles

Associated Press

STORRS, Conn.

For Connecticut All-American Nykesha Sales, there will be no scoring title, no nets to cut down.

The end of her college career was marked instead by a somber news conference Monday a floor above the court where, two days earlier, she ruptured her right Achilles' tendon.

"Yeah, it's not fair," she said matter-of-factly. "But there's nobody to blame."

At first, the injury left her confused and disappointed, she said. But reflecting on her career, including a national championship her freshman year, she was able to put it in perspective.

"I've learned a lot about myself and how to deal with things," she said. "But it's time for me to move on."

While Sales was composed, her coach, teammates and former teammates now playing in the American Basketball League fought back tears as she calmly answered questions at Gampel Pavilion under a UConn banner.

"Before the game, Nykesha came out and I said, 'I'm going to miss you,'" said coach Geno Auriemma. "I didn't think it was going to happen that fast."

Sales said she expects to have surgery on her right foot either Wednesday or Thursday. Team doctors have said the normal recovery time is four to six months.

When she injured her foot Saturday, Sales said she felt like someone stepped on the back of her heel.

"I didn't think it was that bad," she said. "I wasn't in a lot of pain. When I walked, it gave out. I was sort of in shock, but I was a little scared."

She now wants to concentrate on recovering from the injury and surgery before making any career decisions. She is expected to be a top pick in both the ABL and the WNBA.

The 6-foot forward averaged 21.6 points per game in 29 games this season.

In her final game, Sales had 27 points, falling just one point shy of tying the school scoring record set by Kerry Bascom (2,177) from 1988-91.

She left with 9.48 remaining and the Huskies on their way to clinching their fifth straight Big East regular-season title.

Sales was named Big East Rookie of the Year in 1994-95 when she played on the team that finished a perfect 35-0 and won the national championship over Tennessee. The Huskies are 129-7 with Sales and 27-2 this season.

This is the second consecutive year the team has lost a crucial player late in the season. Last year, freshman Shea Ralph tore a ligament in her knee during a postseason game and hasn't played since.

The team plays its final game of the regular season Tuesday at Villanova.

W. B-ball

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ing was our problem, though. They went to the free throw line a lot more than they needed to."

Tonight's game will also mark the final time Peirick and fellow senior Kari Hutchinson will step onto the Joyce Center court as competitors. In the four years the

class of 1998 has played for the Irish, they have compiled a remarkable 92-33 record and three postseason appearances going into tonight's contest with the Scarlet Knights.

"I'd say all my thoughts right now are on Rutgers," Peirick remarked. "They embarrassed us when we went played them earlier this season. That's all I'm going to be thinking about when we go out on the court, that I really want to pay them back."

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■ WOMEN'S GOLF

Golfers turn in best performance in Irish history

By GENE BRTALIK
Sports Writer

The feeling of spring in the air means that many people will be finding and dusting off their golf

clubs to enjoy the wonderful weather. For the women's golf team, a trip to Arizona began the spring season. The Irish took part in the Midwest Classic, a 36-hole tournament featuring

nine of the premiere teams from the Midwest.

Notre Dame had a combined score of 607 for the two days. This put them in third place, six shots behind Minnesota for sec-

ond and seven behind first-place Northwestern. The 607 is the best 36-hole performance the team has had in its ten-year existence.

"I am very happy with the performance of the team," said women's golf coach Ross Smith. "On the second day everyone played consistent and the girls all knew they had a shot at winning the tournament. It was just outstanding performance by this team."

Sophomore golfer Andrea Klee commented on the second round, "We were all so happy. We all knew that we had these types of rounds inside of us. We just needed to put them all together at the same time."

The first day of action saw the Irish come out rusty and sluggish and resulted in them shooting a 312 (+24). A few of the bright stars for the team on Friday were senior captain Katie King (75), sophomore Andrea Klee (78), and freshman Mary Klein (78). King's score put her in second place after day one of the event with Klee and Klein just out of 10th place.

The second day saw a turn of events for the ladies. The rust

that was present the first day had rubbed off and the Irish put together their best round ever with a seven-over-par 150. All but one Notre Dame golfer shot lower than 80, with four achieving a 75 or lower. King continued her outstanding play for the Irish shooting a 74 for combined score of 149 and a third-place finish. The five-over-par 149 is the best 36 holes King has shot in her career at Notre Dame, and the third place finish is second only to her second-place finish at the Illinois State Classic last year.

"I had the typical freshman adjustments to make when I came here, but once I got used to them and relaxed I was able to focus," commented Klee on her turnaround. "Plus, I worked on my swing and my game over the summer and it allowed me to straighten out some of the problems I had."

"I was very proud to see Andrea shoot the way she did," stated Smith. She struggled last year and it was good to see her make the adjustments and improve her game. I am convinced that she will continue to get better."

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■ WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Take two: Women repeat at Big East Championships

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Writer

The 24th-ranked Notre Dame women's swimming and diving team lapped the competition in the pool this weekend on its way to repeating as Big East Champions. The Irish won in dominating fashion, capturing first place in 10 events and outscoring their closest opponent, Villanova, by nearly 200 points.

"It was really exciting to win by that much," commented Carrie Nixon. "It puts us as the leaders of the Big East, but makes our claim that much stronger."

Senior captain Linda Gallo lead the way once again for the Irish, winning three individual events. On Thursday, Gallo broke her own school record and posted a new meet record in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:48, automatically qualifying her for the NCAA Championships.

"Linda's just amazing and she's such a leader," said Nixon, who followed Gallo with a second-place finish in the 50 free. "Her win in the 500 inspired all of us to swim better."

Nixon's second-place finish along with Irish victories in the 200 and 400 medley relays positioned the swimmers in first place after two days of competition.

On Friday, sophomore Liz Barger picked up where the Irish left off a day earlier. Barger set a school record in the 100 butterfly (55.70) and earned NCAA consideration. Allison Newell finished just under a second later and captured third in the event. Nixon placed sixth.

Gallo won her second event in as many days by setting a school, meet, and pool record, in the 200 freestyle. Gallo earned

NCAA consideration with her time of 1:49.44 and her teammates followed closely behind as Kristen Van Saun, Katie Collins and Brenda Reilly helped the Irish capture four of the top eight spots in the 200.

Sophomore All-American Shannon Suddarth was next up on the blocks for the women and had a tough act to follow. Suddarth proved she was up to the challenge by qualifying for NCAAAs and setting school, meet, and pool records in the 100 breaststroke (1:02.07). Brittany Kline finished fourth in the event.

Tiffany O'Brien placed second in the 400 individual medley and Anne Iacobucci took fifth. The Irish closed the day with a win in the 800 freestyle relay and entered the final day of swimming with a 170-point lead.

Saturday brought more individual success for the swimmers, even though the team championship was already clinched. Gallo broke her own school record in the 1,650 freestyle and claimed her third individual event of the championships. Suddarth was brilliant in the 200 breaststroke and qualified for NCAAAs with her time of 2:13.99. Barger captured her second event with a victory in the 200 butterfly (2:01.45) and O'Brien placed second in the 200 backstroke.

Gallo's performance earned her women's swimmer of the meet honors and Bailey Weathers was named coach of the year for the second consecutive season.

"Bailey does a great job," Nixon said. "This award is well-deserved. He pushes us really hard in practice and it pays off."

The Big East champions will have their last chance to qualify for NCAAAs at this weekend's Shamrock Classic.



The women's swimming team claimed its second straight Big East Championship this weekend.

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Going out on his own ...

Kelly looks to end curse of split decisions

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Assistant Sports Editor

Split decisions haunt Fred Kelly. These words have brought elation and disappointment to him in the past two years, but this time he wants to escape these terms in his final appearance at the 68th Bengal Bouts.

"When you say split decision, Ted Pagano comes to mind," Kelly said. "That will always be there with me. I was told later on that I ended up losing that fight on the card — that I was down by one point. It always

gets me, you know."

In his sophomore year he took the 145-pound weight class on a split decision, but as a junior he lost on a split.

He started boxing during his sophomore year by enrolling in the novice program, which is the fall boxing program offered prior to the Bouts. Kelly transferred in from the University of Dallas and previously had spent a year at the University of Buffalo.

"What first attracted me to boxing is that it is not a sport found at too many places," Kelly said. "It is the pure and naked competition which makes it so

interesting."

He made quite an impression as a first-year fighter in the 145-pound weight class. Kelly quickly found his way to the finals of his class and was forced to face favored captain Andrew Dicello.

Dicello appeared strong in his initial fights and no one expected Kelly to have a chance. The finals of the 145-pound weight class proved to be a hard-fought win for Kelly. Yet the split decision took many spectators, along with Kelly and Dicello, by surprise.

"When I heard 'split decision,' I wasn't sure," Kelly replied after his championship fight in

1996. "I thought anything could happen."

Kelly joined five other first-time boxers in capturing the championship in their weight classes that year and caught the eyes of the coaches and his fellow boxers.

"The first year I kind of stumbled into it," Kelly said. "I was surprised to be the second seed. I was surprised to fight as well as I did against Dicello and the championship took me by surprise."

His performance, demeanor and dedication to boxing landed him a captain position for his junior season. Kelly gladly accepted the invitation to help aid the charitable cause. Bengal Bouts benefits missions in Bangladesh and they serve as the main form of funding for these charitable organizations.

"I just want to try and help everyone when I can," remarked Kelly about being a captain.

After a year of being an unknown, Kelly found himself thrust into the top spot the next year. He advanced through the first round with a technical knockout of freshman Brendan Walsh. Then he easily cruised through the semifinals by knocking off Matt Remarge with a right cross just minutes into the first round of the fight. These rounds did not fully prepare Kelly for the barrage of punches which the second-seeded Ted Pagano had in store for him in the championship fight.

"Last year after the first two fights, I thought that I was just going to walk all over this division," Kelly said. "In the finals,

Pagano just wasn't following the script."

He came out strong in the first round but tired early. Kelly barely escaped the third round without stoppage. His once powerful right had dwindled and the amount of shots that Kelly took drained him of power. In the end, Pagano walked away victorious by a split decision.

As far as leadership goes, Kelly tries to lead by example in his daily routine. In addition to the 250 pushups and 500 sit-ups which the group does, he does anywhere from 100 to 150 more pushups. Then he goes through some glove drills and he will spar or do drills with the mitts. When all that is done, he runs up to two miles and concludes his intense workout with some sprints.

His primary role as captain is to assist the main captain, Ryan Rans, in any way possible. "My job was to go around with Tommy Will to sell tickets," Kelly said. "Ryan [Rans] comes up with the main plan and we go with what he says."

Rumors circulating through the boxing room hint that Kelly is in his best shape yet and that he will go out with a bang. He got started on his quest for another title last night when he dismissed freshman Dennis Abdelnour with ease.

Kelly maintains that he will not take anything for granted after last year's championship fight because he does not want to drop another decision. While Kelly savors his title from his sophomore year, he still has a bitter taste in his mouth from last year's split decision.

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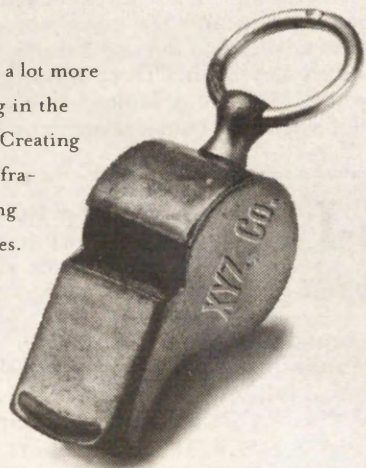
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"Strong bodies fight, that weak bodies may be nourished."

Tuesday, February 24, 1998

125 TO 140-POUND WEIGHT CLASSES

High seeds leave no room for upsets

By MIKE DAY
Sports Editor

There was no suspense, no mystery, and not one surprise. Indeed, everything went according to plan Monday night at the Joyce Center.

Case in point: the 140-pound division.

Senior captain Sean Sharpe, freshman Mike Valle, junior Tom Cronley, and sophomore Mike Maguire began the evening as heavy favorites, and each boxer lived up to his ranking. All four will move on to Wednesday's semifinals, courtesy of unanimous-decision victories in the opening round of the 68th annual Bengal Bouts.

"I think we all just wanted to go out and have some fun and let the rest take care of itself," said Valle. "You don't really know what to expect going in. Fortunately, it worked out the way we wanted it to."

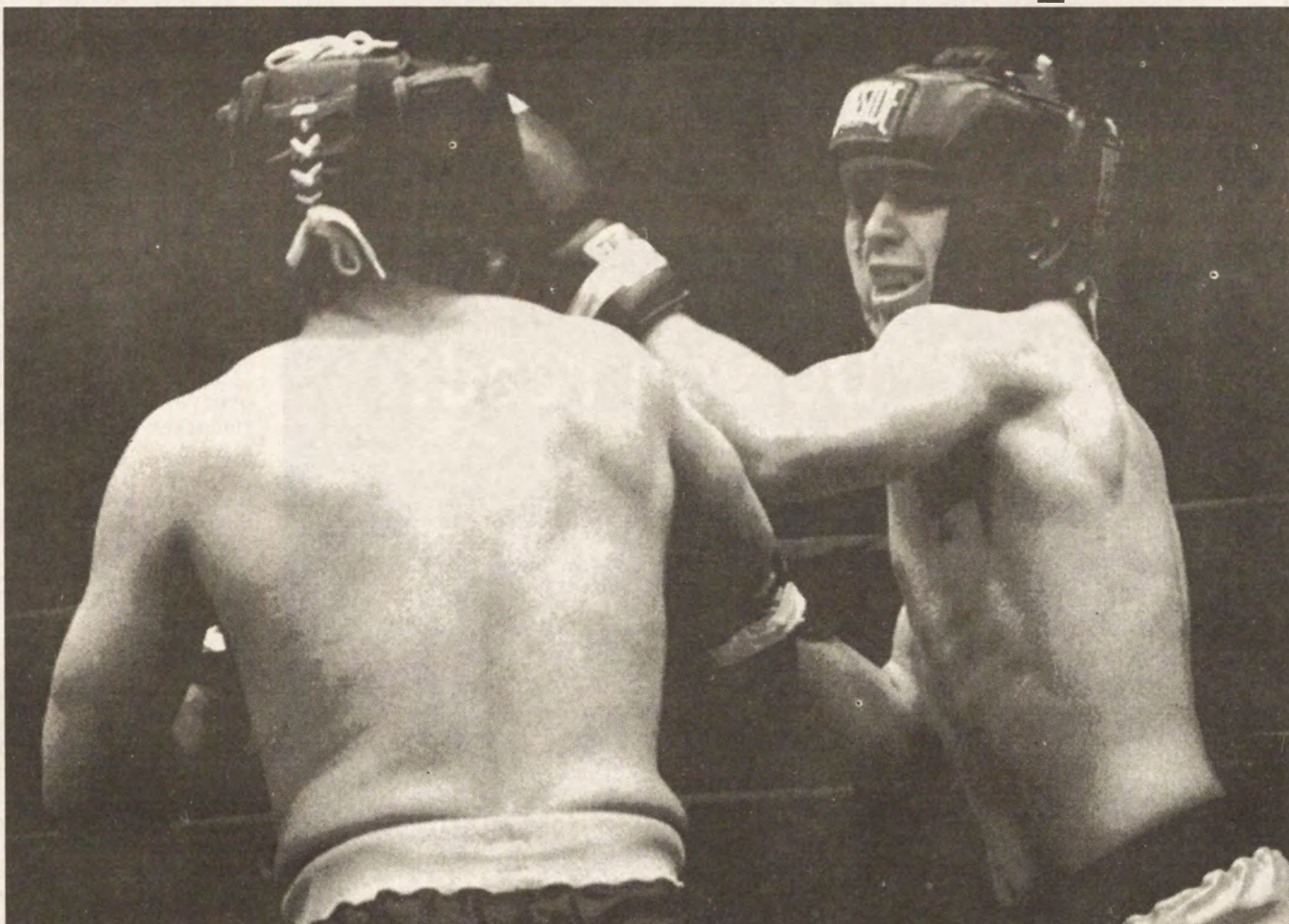
Valle, the lone freshman in the group, advanced to the next round after defeating junior Sean Perkins in one of the night's most entertaining fights. For three rounds, the two boxers went jaw-to-jaw with one another in what turned out to be a true blood-fest.

"He's a great fighter, and he kept the pressure on me the whole time," said Valle, who had never stepped into a ring prior to Monday. "I was nervous going in. It really feels good to get this one under my belt."

Sharpe, the top-seed in the 140-pound division, easily advanced with a strong defensive effort against eighth-ranked Guillermo Tijerina. Rounding out the weight class were Cronley and Maguire, who defeated Shay Boyle and Mark Zavala, respectively.

In the 135-pound division, junior Tom Will and senior Lucas Molina received byes as the top two seeds in the class. Meanwhile, Camilo Rueda topped Jaime Garcia in a unanimous decision, and Matt McBurney knocked off Mike Kontz in another unanimous decision to advance to the semifinals.

Although it was his first boxing experience, McBurney looked like a seasoned veteran, consistently con-



Mike Maguire (right), a heavy favorite in the 140-pound division, advanced easily over his opponent in last night's quarterfinals.

The Observer/Patrick Quigley

necting with his jab against Kontz. Things do not get any easier for McBurney with Lucas Molina anxiously awaiting his challenge on Wednesday.

"It [the Kontz fight] was a good chance for me to gain some experience against a good fighter," said McBurney. "Now I have to get ready for Lucas [Molina]. He is one of the best fighters out there, so I know I've got my work cut out for me."

Another newcomer to Bengal Bouts, freshman Matt Altman, advanced in the only fight in the 130-pound divi-

sion, slipping past Daniel Gallegos in a split decision. Altman's tremendous height advantage and consistent jab enabled him to walk away with the victory in one of the night's tightest matches.

"I had a definite height advantage, and I really think it helped me out there tonight," said Altman. "It was my first time to fight, so I needed any advantage I could get. I'm just really excited to be in the semifinals."

Altman will face top-seed David Seerveld on Wednesday, while Martin Garry and No. 2 seed Jeremy

Leatherby will meet in the other semifinal match. Seerveld, who reached the finals last year in the 125-pound division, will offer a new challenge for Altman.

"He's about the same height as me, so that really won't help me against him," said Altman. "I've got to come out strong and be prepared for a difficult fight. He is a tough fighter, so I'll have to be ready."

In the only fight in the 125-pound division, Patrick O'Shaughnessy advanced easily, defeating Nicolas Schnabel in a unanimous decision.

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want that roundhouse coming at me," DeSplinter said. "He frustrated me a lot."

Biolchini did not hold anything back in his first fight. He jumped all over his opponent in the opening round. Senior Daniel Toolan tried to shake Biolchini's barrage but could not. Once Toolan backed Biolchini into the ropes, but Biolchini responded with a strong jab which knocked Toolan down.

"Keeping him away with my right seemed to work," Biolchini said. "I had trouble throwing the upper-cut and I think I need to stay a little more controlled. Next time, I need to throw more combinations."

All the top seeds advanced in the 165-pound weight class, except for the fourth-seeded Hector Pimentel. He fell victim to the experience of sophomore Dave Remick by a split decision.

Top-seeded Richard Molloy easily advanced over sophomore Eric Hovan. Molloy's lefts appeared to be too much

for Hovan to handle. Molloy's experience showed in the three rounds as he exercised patience in waiting for the perfect opportunity to catch Hovan with his guard down.

A more controversial fight occurred in the 165-pound division between sophomore Robert Miyakawa and freshman Chris Muro. The crowd felt that Muro had the win, but the split decision favored Miyakawa.

Senior Jim Sur used his height and reach advantage to dismiss an explosive first-year boxer, senior Fred Chiu. Chiu showed no signs of intimidation as he came out swinging in the first round but he tired quickly and Sur took over.

The highlights of the middle-weights came in the 170-pound weight class. Senior captain Ryan Rans found himself in an unfamiliar position in his first round, on the defensive. Freshman Joe Kippels jumped all over Rans in the opening round, throwing all kinds of punches at Rans. His barrage caught Rans off-guard and stunned him in the first.

Once again, experience prevailed over youth, as Kippels began to tire, Rans closed in for the kill. Kippels managed

to put up a valiant effort against the experienced Rans but it was not enough as Rans won by unanimous decision. Up next for Rans will be Robert Alter, who dismissed freshman Josh Thompson in a unanimous decision.

Senior Norm Beznoska, who has not been in top condition for training, delivered an impressive performance in his first match. His fight had to be stopped with a minute and a half remaining, due to a blow to the nose of his opponent, sophomore Jeffrey Welsh.

"I just came out fighting righty," Beznoska said about his fight. "I threw in a couple of combinations and got him backed up on the ropes. A lot of my hooks and upper cuts landed and they got him pretty good."

Beznoska appeared energized and ready to take on his next opponent, freshman Travis Alexander. Alexander advanced over freshman Patrick Leis by unanimous decision.

With only one day off to recover, the semifinals will be decided by one factor — endurance. After a month and a half of training, all should be ready, but only time will tell.

68th Annual Bengal Bouts Semifinals

125 Pounds
Matt Peacock vs. Patrick O'Shaughnessy
Brian Rigney vs. David Frick

130 Pounds
David Seerveld vs. Matthew Altman
Martin Garry vs. Jeremy Leatherby

135 Pounds
Tom Will vs. Camilo Rueda
Matthew McBurney vs. Lucas Molina

140 Pounds
Sean Sharpe vs. Michael Valle
Thomas Cronley vs. Michael Maguire

145 Pounds
J.R. Mellin vs. Andrew Yang
Dennis Joyce vs. David Murphy

150 Pounds
Fred Kelly vs. Jeevan Subbiah
Tom Owens vs. Stefan Molina

155 Pounds
Michael LaDuke vs. Jeffery Dobosh
David Wiltse vs. Adrian Cardona

160 Pounds
Chip Farnel vs. Timothy DeFors
John DeSplinter vs. Thomas Biolchini

165 Pounds
Richard Malloy vs. Dave Remick
Robert Miyakawa vs. James Sur

170 Pounds
Ryan Rans vs. Robert Alter
Travis Alexander vs. Norm Beznoska

175 Pounds
Brian Gaffney vs. Keith Parendo
Brian Hobbs vs. Chris Dobranski

180 Pounds
Mike Romancheck vs. Kyle Smith
Joey Leniski vs. Daniel Prince

185 Pounds
Dave Butz vs. Matthew Lubbers
Timothy Neagle vs. Andrew Hebert

Heavyweights
Dave Monahan vs. Andrew Riederer
Michael Romero vs. Peter Ryan

■ 145 TO 155-POUND WEIGHT CLASSES

Freshman Cardona dazzles crowd, opponent

By MIKE DAY
Sports Editor

With his shoes laced up and his gloves strapped on, he entered the ring for the first time in his life on Monday evening.

Although he had no boxing experience prior to last night's opening round at the Joyce Center, freshman Adrian Cardona was rewarded with the No. 2 seed in the 55-pound division for his remarkable talent and hard work over the last six weeks.

With all eyes glued in his direction, Cardona squared off with senior Brendan Reilly in what was perhaps the night's most anxiously awaited debut. Considering all the pressure that comes with being the second seed as a freshman, Cardona did not disappoint.

In fact, he thrived. The newcomer to Bengal Bouts pounded on Reilly for nearly a round and a half before the fight was stopped, and he was rewarded with a TKO victory.

"My only fighting experience was in street fights," said Cardona. "It felt good to get out there and gain some experience. I've got a long way to go, but this was a great way to start."

Cardona's thundering right hook and lightning quick jab may have given boxing fans a sign of things to come in the future. In fact, four years from now, people just might look back to Feb. 23, 1998 as a day a star was born.

"I think I've made a lot of progress since I started training here," said the understated Cardona. "I don't want to get overconfident, though. I've got a long way to go to get where I need to be."

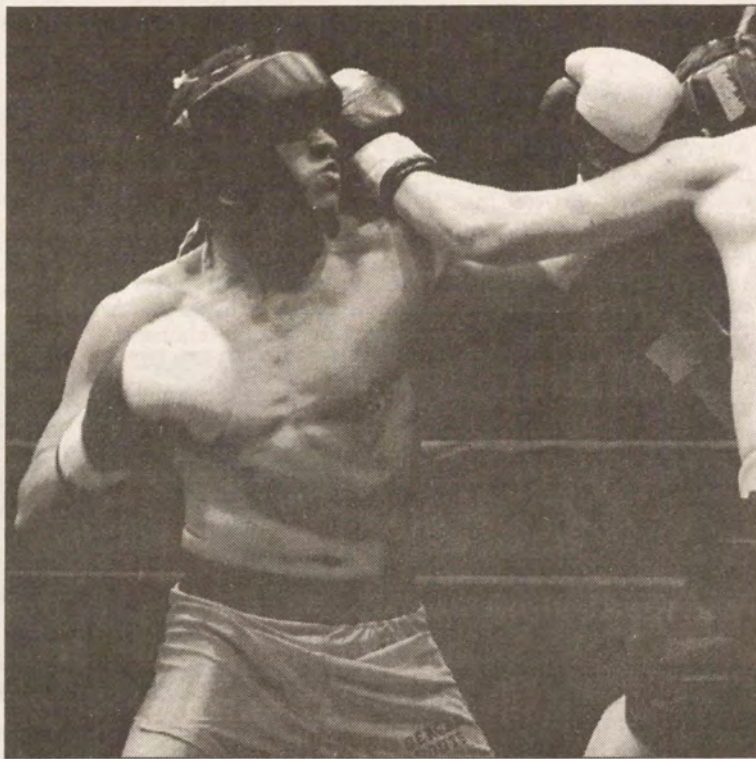
While Cardona was disposing of Reilly, the top seed in the 155-pound class, Mike LaDuke, topped senior Noel Chakkalakal

get frustrated toward the end because he started ducking out of my way and running away from me."

Notre Dame law student Jeevan Subbiah won the right to take on Kelly after earning a split-decision win over sophomore Stephen Locher. In the bracket's other semifinal, Molina, who bested freshman

Steven Mehl in a unanimous decision, will meet surprise winner Tom Owens, who upended No. 3 seed Justin Kempf in one of the night's few surprises.

As Monday illustrated, the 145-pound class could be the Bengal Bouts' most competitive division. With the possible exception of sophomore J.R. Mellin, who



The Observer/Brandon Candura
Second-seed Adrian Cardona lived up to his billing in dispatching Brendan Reilly in less than two rounds last night.

68th Annual Bengal Bouts

Semifinals

Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

Finals

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in a unanimous decision. Other winners in the division were No. 5-seed Jeffrey Dobosh and No. 3 David Wiltse, who each advanced with split-decision victories over Kevin Murphy and Daniel Bumpus, respectively.

In the 150-pound division, top seeds Fred Kelly and Stefan Molina had little trouble with their opening round opponents. Despite a strong effort from freshman Dennis Abdelnour, Kelly advanced to the semifinals with a victory by unanimous decision.

"After last year, I'm not taking anything for granted," said Kelly, referring to his surprise loss to Ted Pagano in the finals a year ago. "I was starting to

received an opening round bye, the rest of the class appears to be neck-in-neck in terms of talent level.

In the first fight, senior Andrew Yang pulled out a split-decision victory in a battle that could have gone either way. Meanwhile, No. 2-seed David Murphy lived up to his ranking on Monday, defeating seventh-seed Rick Johnson by unanimous decision.

"It's hard to explain, but for some reason, it's difficult going up against a lefty," said Murphy about Johnson. "You never really know what to expect. Fortunately, I was able to come away with a victory and move on to the semifinals."



Bengal Bouts Quarterfinal Bests

Best Fight

Josh Akers vs. Joey Leninski
Leninski in a split decision

Best Brawl

Robert Miyakawa vs. Chris Muro
Miyakawa in split decision

Best Punch

Matt Lubbers vs. Fredrick Wulf
Lubbers TKO (16 seconds)

Best Crowdpleaser

Mark Zavala vs. Michael Maguire
Maguire by unanimous decision

Biggest Surprise

No. 6 Tom Owens vs Justin Kempf
Owens by unanimous decision

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who tried to combat Smith's controlled approach. "I tried to keep composed," said Smith. "(Paulsen) was a shorter fighter, so I just let him come to me."

Smith's unanimous decision victory in the 180-pound class sets up a Wednesday meeting with top-seeded Mike Romancheck, who also happens to be his best friend in the club.

"It's going to be tough on Wednesday," said Smith. "Mike's a real strong fighter, and he's one of my best friends here. We practice together all the time."

"I'll be concentrating on fighting the same kind of fight. [My height] will be something that can work to my advantage. Right now my jab is my best punch, and that's what I'm going to be working on."

Hometown favorite Joey Leninski (Mishawaka, Ind.) rode the vocal support of the crowd to a split decision win over senior Josh Akers in another 180-pound bout. Leninski controlled the center of the ring, cornering Akers on the ropes for much of the fight, although Akers landed a few hard shots of his own to keep it close.

In the semifinals, Leninski faces Daniel Prince, whose accurate jabs and stamina carried the junior past Matt Rodgers. Two standing-eight counts spelled trouble for Rodgers early, but the senior fought back in the third round

as the two traded punches until the final bell.

In the first of two 185-pound bouts, Fred Wulf's quest for a title ended just 16 seconds after it began. Senior Matt Lubbers landed a crushing blow to Wulf's head that caused an uncontrollable nose-bleed, halting the fight.

"I was surprised and disappointed," said Lubbers of his short-lived Bengal Bouts debut. "I wanted to at least go three rounds in [the ring]. It was a shame it had to end this way. I think it would have been a good fight."

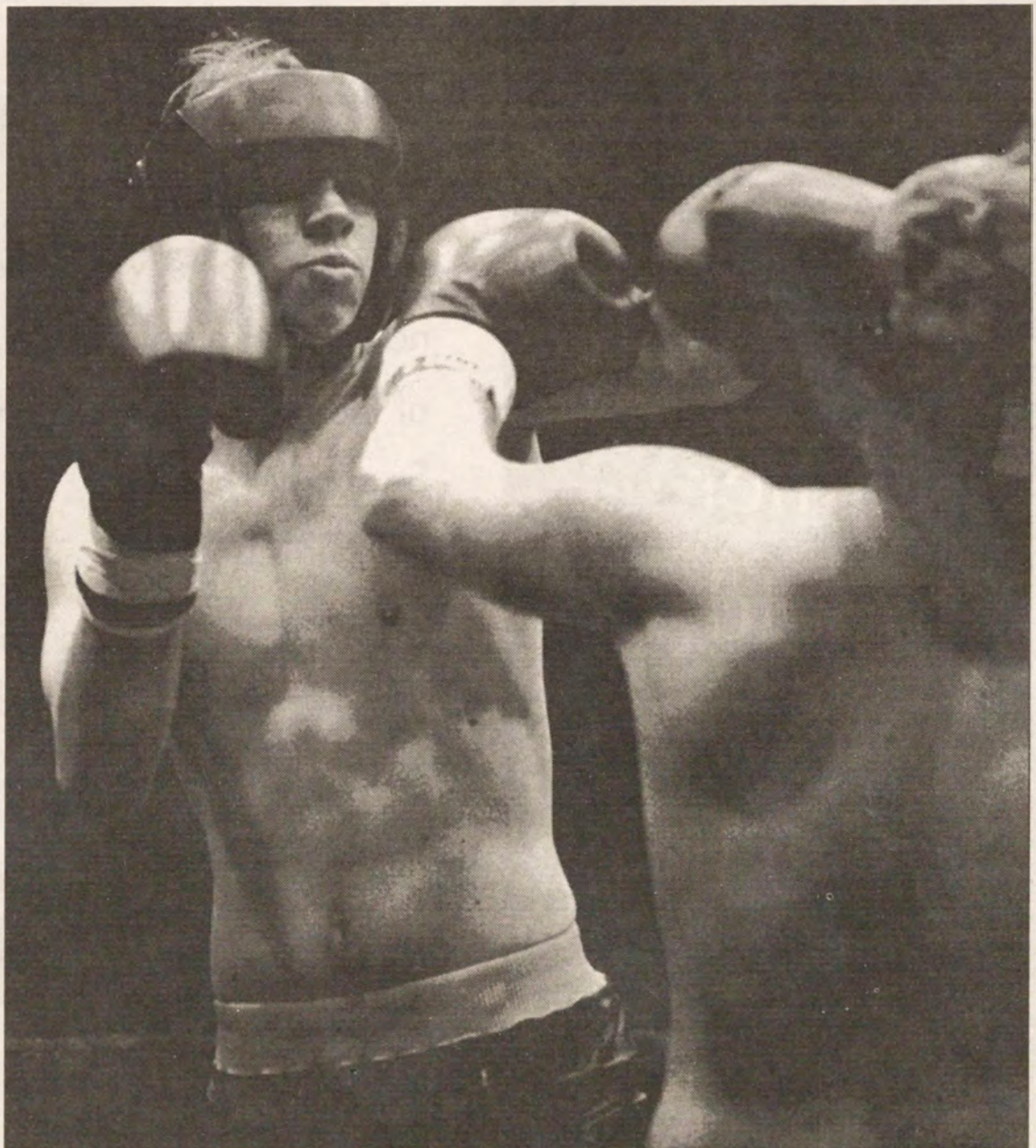
Lubbers now faces top-seeded Dave Butz, who earned a first-round bye.

"I'd say this is somewhat of a disadvantage because I really wanted to get in there and get comfortable with the atmosphere, and maybe try some new things before Wednesday," said Lubbers.

Tim Neagle also advanced to the semifinals in the 185-pound class with a unanimous decision win over Stephen Pfeiffer. Neagle's uppercuts made the difference in the slugfest, as the two fighters tried to overpower each other with brute strength.

Heavyweights Felipe Reynoso and Andy Riederer squared off in the final quarterfinal bout, with Riederer coming away with a split-decision victory after pummeling Reynoso and forcing two standing eights to the delight of the thinning crowd.

Riederer now faces returning champion Dave Monahan in the semifinal round Wednesday.



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In the 180-lb. weight class, Kyle Smith advanced to the semifinals, defeating Brendan Paulsen.

■ WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish netters have mixed results at Nationals

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

The women's tennis team had a chance last weekend to see where they match up with the best teams in the country. The result — they proved that they deserve to be mentioned with the best.

Sixteen of the top 25 teams in the country were in Madison, Wis., to compete in the National Team Indoor Tournament. The Irish finished the weekend with a 1-2 record, which included two close losses.

On Friday, the 15th-ranked Irish lost a tight 5-4 match in the first round against Vanderbilt University. The Commodores were the 16th-ranked team in the country prior to the match against the Irish. The top three singles players all scored victories for Notre Dame. Junior Jennifer Hall scored a 6-3, 6-1 victory over Kristy Blumberg at first singles. Hall is ranked 19th in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association singles rankings. At second singles, freshman Michelle Dasso won 6-4, 6-1 over Julie Ditty. Dasso is currently 27th, while Ditty is 46th in the country. Third singles player Marisa Velasco rallied from a first-set loss, to beat Callie Creighton, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0. Dasso and Velasco also teamed up at second doubles for an impressive 8-0 shutout of Staci Ryan and Kristen Radford.

Notre Dame dominated 17th-ranked South Alabama in the consolation round on Saturday. All five singles players won in straight sets. Tiffany Gates and

Kelly Zalinski avenged close three set losses against Vanderbilt with impressive victories at fourth and fifth singles, respectively. Gates, a senior, beat South Alabama's Gaelle Gouttefarde 6-3, 6-4 while sophomore Zalinski blanked Melanie Pieterse, 6-0, 6-0. The doubles matches were not played because the Irish were already ahead by an insurmountable 5-0 margin.

With the win over South Alabama, the Irish advanced to take on 9th-ranked Mississippi. Mississippi boasts a strong line-up which includes two of the top 15 players in the country along with other solid players. Earlier in the tournament, Mississippi beat second-ranked UCLA 5-4. The two teams split the singles before Mississippi won the two doubles matches to record a 5-3 victory.

Jennifer Hall scored an impressive victory over Agnes Muzamel. Hall improved to 18-7 on the season with a 6-4, 7-5 win. This was the second time this year that Hall upset the third-ranked Muzamel. In late January, Hall beat Muzamel to advance to the quarterfinals of the individual national indoors. Michelle Dasso posted another

upset at second singles, defeating 14th-ranked Ivana Mihailova, 6-2, 6-3. Fifth singles player Kelly Zalinski beat Mariana Eberle 6-4, 6-3.

The 7-2 Irish play host to Big East rival Syracuse on Friday. They host Minnesota and Kansas at the Eck Tennis Pavilion on Saturday and Sunday, respectively.



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The Notre Dame women's tennis squad rebounded from a loss to Vanderbilt with a 5-0 victory over No. 17 South Alabama.

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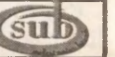
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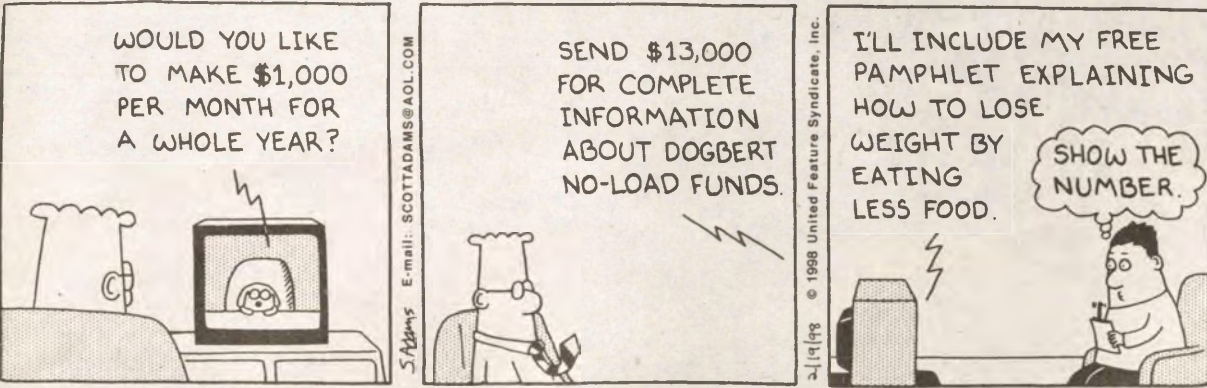
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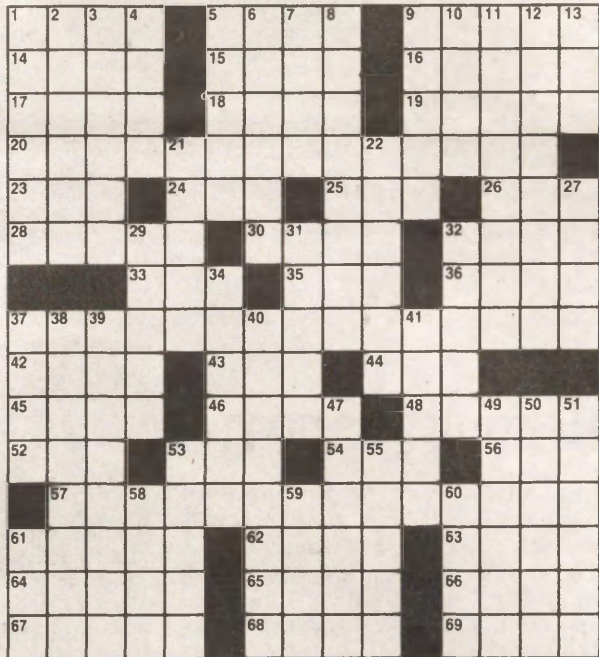
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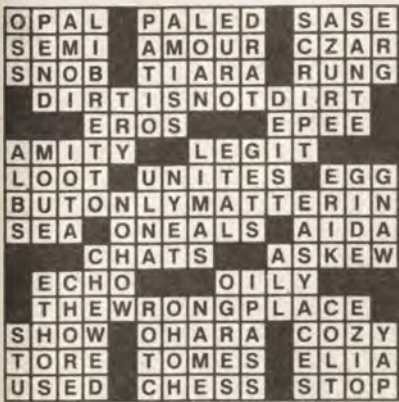


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Gemini: Motivational speakers and surrealists alike can expect a wonderful day. Plans and visions fill your head, some of them strange, all of them possible. You are allowed to take back what you said yesterday.

Cancer: You can only hide for so long before you have to come out and face the music. Something you have been dreading may not be so bad after all. Ignore your feelings and lead with your thoughts.

Leo: Your chances for success are excellent, but so is the possibility of sabotaging your own efforts. Competition may lead to your downfall. Be satisfied with what you get today.

Virgo: If you are stuck today, this may be a good time to help others. A change in the weather finds you improperly dressed. Take extra vitamins to keep up your resistance.

Libra: You know what you want as soon as you see it. If you are smart and brave, you will go forward and claim what you discover. Romance and treasure hunting are favored activities today.

Scorpio: The environment around you is a single living organism that does not appreciate your interference. Try not to make any ripples today, much less waves. This is a bad day to engage in personal combat.

Sagittarius: Once you get started on a topic close to your heart, you have a lot more to say than you realize. Your sudden expertise makes a positive impression on others. Everyone is an optimist today.

Capricorn: Not everyone shares your sense of responsibility. This may be because not everyone is as invested as you are. You may have to change your expectations of others if you wish to work with them.

Aquarius: Whether or not you started it, you are at the center of all the action today. If you want attention, that's just what you will get. Your exploits take on a mythical quality at this time.

Pisces: You seek tranquility in a world that is anything but tranquil. Unplug yourself from the system and find a place to meditate. Doing nothing for awhile is just what the doctor ordered.

■ OF INTEREST

Graduate student Tatiana Mester will present a piano recital this afternoon at 2 p.m. in the Annenberg Auditorium of the Snite Museum of Art. Program includes Sonata in A-flat Major (Op. 110) by Beethoven; Praeludium, Chorale and Fuge by Franck; Three Preludes by Gershwin; and "The great gate of Kiev" from Pictures at an Exhibition by Moussorgsky. The recital is free and open to the public. Call 631-6201 for more information.

Martha Merritt will speak today at 12:30 p.m. on Democracy without Accountability: The Paradox of Institutional Reform in Russia in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

The Green Wall will be showing tonight at 7 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium. This breakthrough film based on the director's experiences of homesteading in the Peruvian jungle has been described as a masterpiece by Roger Ebert.

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BENGAL BOUTS

Bouts start with a bang

*Farrell, Molloy
advance easily
over competition*

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Assistant Sports Editor

Last night, loads of young, talented fighters were looking for their time to steal the show. They did not.

In the opening round of the 68th Bengal Bouts, the majority of the top seeds advanced with ease. In the 160-pound weight class, senior and defending champion Chip Farrell advanced to the semifinals by unanimous decision over Robert Vuolo.

"I was hoping to get in a good fight," Farrell said. "I wasn't going out there to beat anyone up. Mostly, I just wanted to work on my fundamentals."

While Vuolo had the height advantage, Farrell managed to land the majority of his combinations, along with a strong right cross which knocked Vuolo to his knee.

"My jab was working well," Farrell said. "Throwing hard rights was working too."

Farrell will take on fifth-seeded sophomore Timothy DeFors. DeFors relied on his strong right and his sheer power lifted him to a win over sophomore John Berry by split decision.

In the lower half of the 160-pound weight class, the No. 2 and No. 3-seeds easily advanced. Sophomore Tom Biolchini and junior John DeSplinter will meet in the semis in what promises to be one of the top fights on Wednesday night.

DeSplinter faced some spirited competition in junior Dennis Jovellanos. His wild technique almost pushed DeSplinter out of the ring.

"He slowed down my jab because I didn't

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The Observer/Brandon Candura
Fred Kelly had no problem advancing to the semifinals, defeating Dennis Abdelnour in the 150-lb. quarterfinals last night.

*175-lb. division
has its share of
surprise results*

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

Maybe it was the argyle socks or the noticeable absence of his constantly bobbing ponytail, but whatever it was, Brian Gaffney took only one minute and 27 seconds to dispose of freshman Eric Saul in the first bout of the 175-pound class last night.

"This (fight) was good for me," said Gaffney. "The big thing was that I got the nerves out, and remembered 'I can do this. I've done this before.'"

The usually free-swinging Gaffney came out under control, utilizing a straight jab and his height advantage to dominate Saul in the ring.

"This was one of my better fights," said Gaffney. "I found that the straighter my punches, the more effective they were."

The win sets up a semifinal-round match-up with sophomore Keith Parendo, who used a barrage of punches to wear down Chad Maestas. Parendo kept Maestas on the ropes for the first two rounds, and staved off a valiant comeback effort by the freshman in the final round to win.

Fellow freshman Brian Hobbins, seeded sixth, earned a split-decision victory over third-seeded Jack Barber to earn a spot in the semis against senior Chris Dobranski. Dobranski landed a majority of jabs to Josh Nelson's jaw, drawing two standing-eight counts in the final rounds of the split-decision win.

Sophomore Kyle Smith used a decided height advantage to defeat Brendan Paulsen,

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish end regular season at home

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

The Fighting Irish women's basketball team hopes to end the regular season on a positive note at 7 p.m. tonight, when it faces off against conference rival Rutgers in the final home game of the season.

Even though a game between two of the top teams in the Big East is notable on any particular day, the fact that two members of the Notre Dame squad will take the floor of the Joyce Center for the final time makes the contest even more memorable than it would be otherwise.

The Scarlet Knights are on a 10-game win streak after a 70-56 victory over Pittsburgh on Wednesday and a dramatic 57-54 win over Boston College on Saturday. Against the Eagles, sophomore guard Shawnetta Stewart hit a 50-foot jumper as the clock expired for the home win. The victory secured the Big East 7 regular season divisional title for the Knights, as well as the No. 2 seed in the

Big East Championship. Against Pittsburgh, Rutgers hit six of seven three-pointers in the first half to build a 33-24 lead at the intermission. Stewart had an all-around performance with game highs of 20 points and eight rebounds to go with two assists and three steals. Junior guard Tomora Young scored 16 points, including four shots from long range.

"They're a very feisty team," senior guard Mollie Peirick said about the Scarlet Knights. "and an athletic squad. They're just a really tough team, especially when it comes to rebounding."

Rutgers can boast of one achievement that no one in the Big East has been able to duplicate this season. Earlier this year, the Scarlet Knights handed Connecticut its first conference loss in over two years, defeating the Huskies at home 74-70. In that game, freshman guard Linda Miles tallied 18 points and 11 boards while Young scored 17.

However, the Knights will possibly face an even more difficult task when they face off on Notre Dame's court. While at home this season, the Irish have all but dominated the Joyce Center floor, winning their past 10 games and sporting an 11-1 home record.

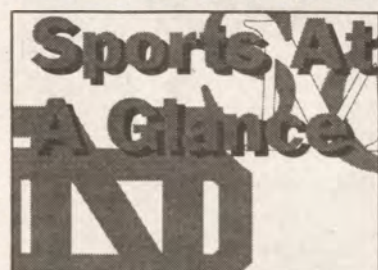
The Irish hope the friendly confines of home will help them rebound from a 73-61 loss to Connecticut on Saturday. In one of her strongest efforts of the season, sophomore Niele Ivey led three players in double figures with 20 points, while Peirick and junior Sheila McMillen had 10 and 12 points, respectively. However, the loss was the team's third straight on the road.

"We just have a lot of youth on our team," head coach Muffet McGraw remarked on the performance. "We had the lead late in the half, but they got four free throws and later took the lead. I think the foul-

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The Observer/Kevin Dalum
Danielle Green fights for a shot in Notre Dame's last home game, a 80-54 win over Georgetown.



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